

# Diabetes and Heart Failure: Challenges and Opportunities

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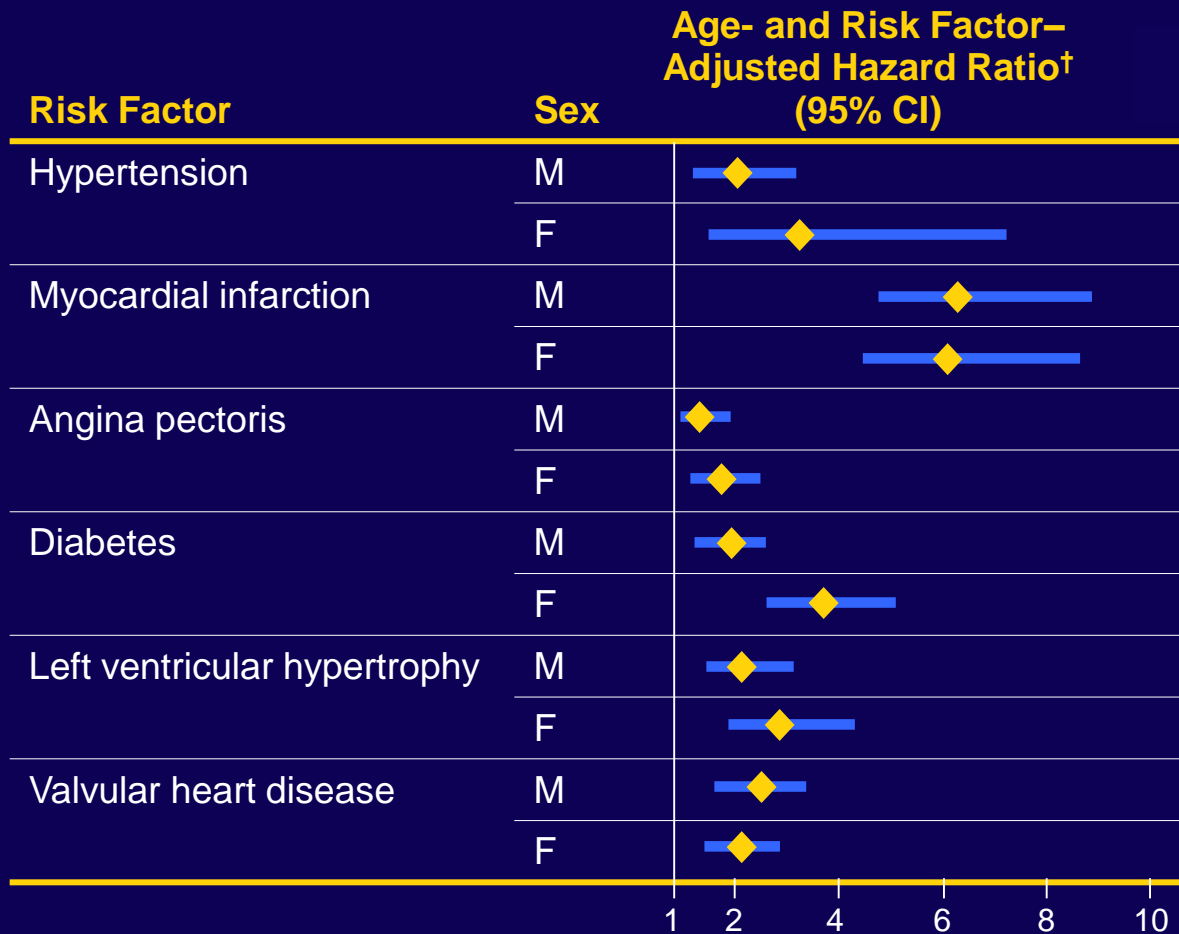
- The two diseases entities are highly co-prevalent
- Diabetes contributes to disease progression in HF and is associated with substantially worse prognosis, even when conventional HF therapies are applied
- The relationship between HbA1c and outcome in patients with diabetes and heart failure is complex
- The choice of pharmacologic glycemic management can markedly impact heart failure outcomes
  - Certain therapies are neutral or associated with harm
  - Certain therapies markedly improve outcomes
- Pharmacologic glycemic management is a critical component of HF management

# Diabetes and Incident Heart Failure in the US

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- Framingham study (risk of HF in diabetics)
  - 2x diabetic males
  - 5x diabetic females
  - 4x young diabetic males
  - 8x young diabetic females
- US HMO prevalence study
  - With diabetes, incident HF developed at a rate of 3.3% per year
- Each 1% elevation in HbA<sub>1c</sub> leads to a 15% increase in frequency of HF

# Risk Factors for the Development of Heart Failure



\* Based on dynamic model with reclassification of hypertension and risk factors at each follow-up examination. CI indicates confidence interval.

<sup>†</sup> Adjusted for angina pectoris, myocardial infarction, diabetes, left ventricular hypertrophy, and valvular heart disease.

<sup>‡</sup> Levy D et al. *JAMA*. 1996;275:1557–1562.

# Prevalence of Diabetes in Patients with Heart Failure

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<u>Clinical Trial</u>	<u>Diabetics</u>
SOLVD	25.8%
MERIT	24.5%
Val HEFT	25.4%
EMPHASIS-HF	31.4%
PARADIGM-HF	34.7%
OPTIME (hospitalized)	44.2%
VMAC (hospitalized)	47.0%

# Diabetes in Patients Hospitalized with Heart Failure: GWTG-HF

## Temporal trends and factors associated with diabetes mellitus among patients hospitalized with heart failure: Findings from Get With The Guidelines–Heart Failure registry



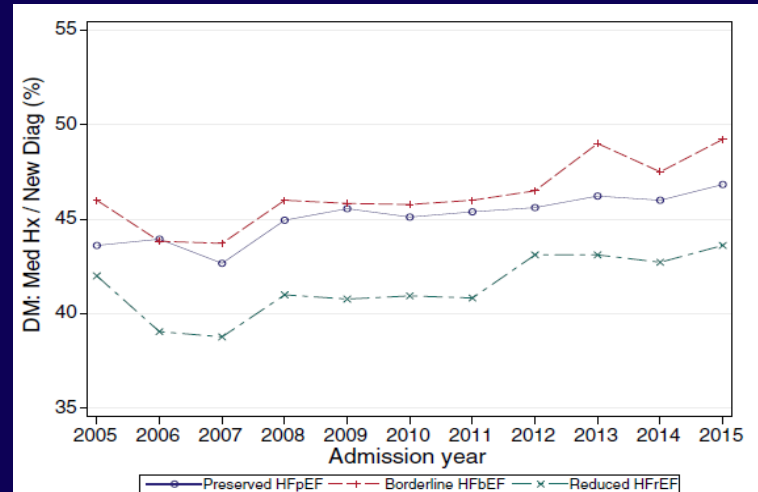
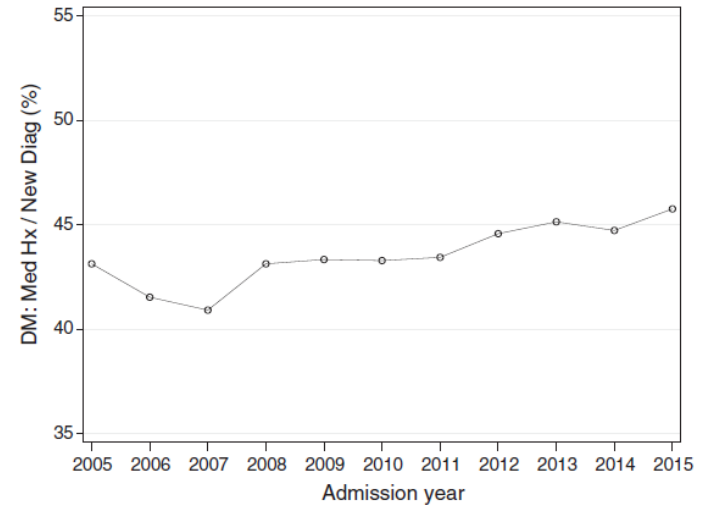
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**Background** The contribution of diabetes to the burden of heart failure (HF) remains largely undescribed. Assessing diabetes temporal trends among US patients hospitalized with HF and their relation with quality measures in real-world practice can help to define this burden.

**Methods** Using data from the Get With the Guidelines–Heart Failure registry, we assessed temporal trends in diabetes prevalence among patients with HF and in subgroups with reduced ejection fraction (HFrEF; EF < 40%), borderline EF (HFbEF; 40% ≤ EF < 50%), or preserved EF (HFpEF; EF ≥ 50%), hospitalized between 2005 and 2015. Logistic regression was used to assess whether in-hospital outcomes and HF quality of care were related to trends.

**Results** Among 364,480 HF hospitalizations, 160,171 had diabetes (44.0% overall, 41.8% in HFrEF, 46.7% in HFbEF, 45.5% in HFpEF). There was a temporal increase in diabetes frequency in HF patients (43.2%-45.8%;  $P_{\text{trend}} < .0001$ ), including among those with HFrEF (42.0%-43.6%;  $P_{\text{trend}} < .0001$ ), HFbEF (46.0%-49.2%;  $P_{\text{trend}} < .0001$ ), or HFpEF (43.6%-46.8%,  $P_{\text{trend}} < .0001$ ). Diabetic patients had a longer hospital stay (adjusted odds ratio 1.14, 95% CI 1.12-1.16), but lower in-hospital mortality (adjusted odds ratio 0.93 [0.89-0.97]) compared with those without diabetes, with limited differences in quality measures. Temporal trends in diabetes were not associated with in-hospital mortality or length of stay. There were no temporal interactions of most HF quality measures with diabetes status.

**Conclusions** Approximately 44% of hospitalized HF patients have diabetes, and this proportion has been increasing over the past 10 years, particularly among those patients with new-onset HFpEF. (*Am Heart J* 2016;182:9-20.)



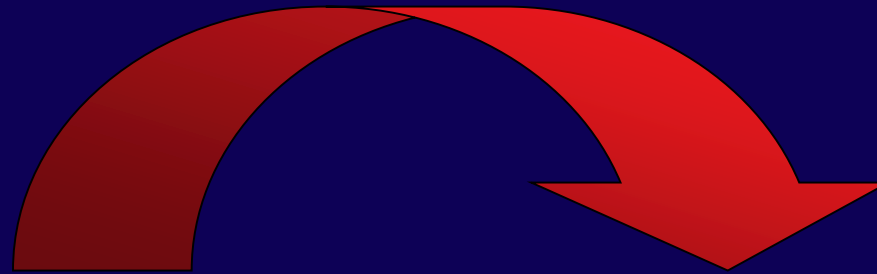
# Relationship Between DM and HF

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Incidence of HF: 13 / 1000 person-years in non-diabetics vs.  
31 / 1000 person-years in diabetics

**Diabetes  
Mellitus**

**Heart  
Failure**



# Insulin Resistance, Hyperglycemia, and Heart Failure

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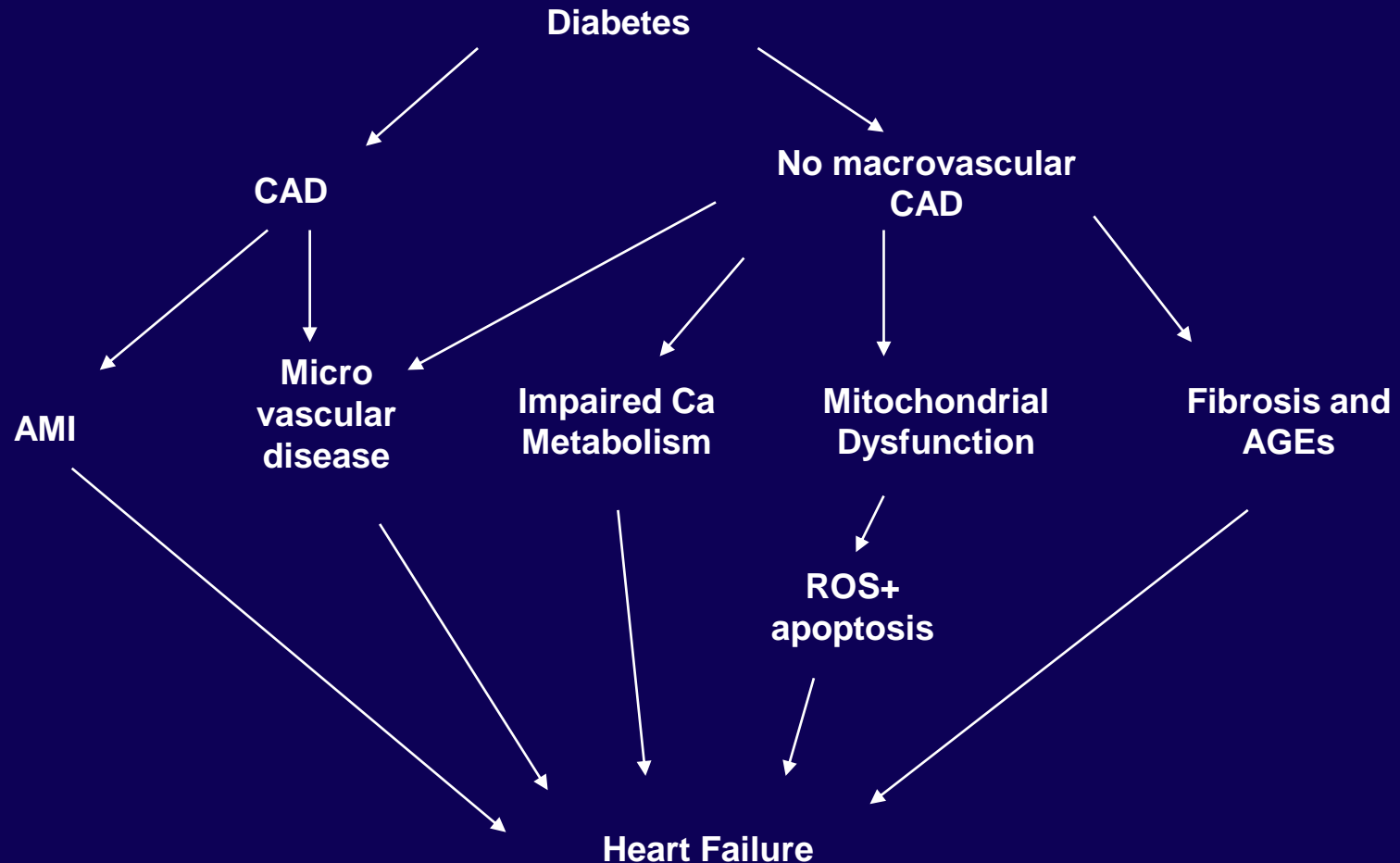
- Hyperglycemia
  - oxidative stress
  - altered intracellular signaling
  - decreased vascular endothelial growth factor
  - altered gene expression
- Insulin
  - Myocardial hypertrophy
- Advanced Glycosylation Endproducts (AGEs)
  - sarcoplasmic/endoplasmic reticulum  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ATPase
  - collagen cross-linking and reduce ventricular distensibility and vascular compliance
- Myocardial metabolism may become more dependent on free fatty acids
  - uncoupling of oxidative phosphorylation

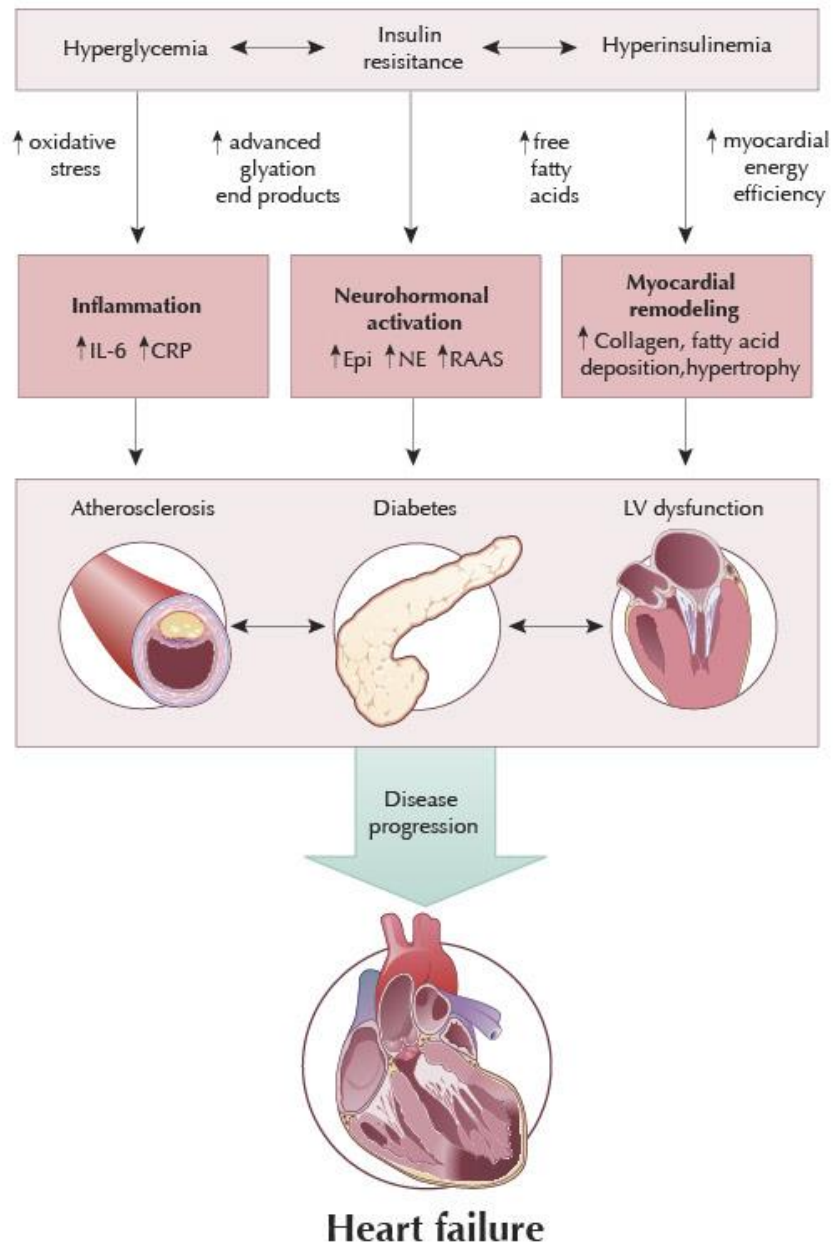


# Diabetes Leading to HF

## Potential Mechanisms

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## Multiple Pathogenetic Mechanisms Involved in the Relationship Between Diabetes, Metabolic Disease, and Heart Failure

Horwich and Fonarow.  
J Am Coll Cardiol 2010.

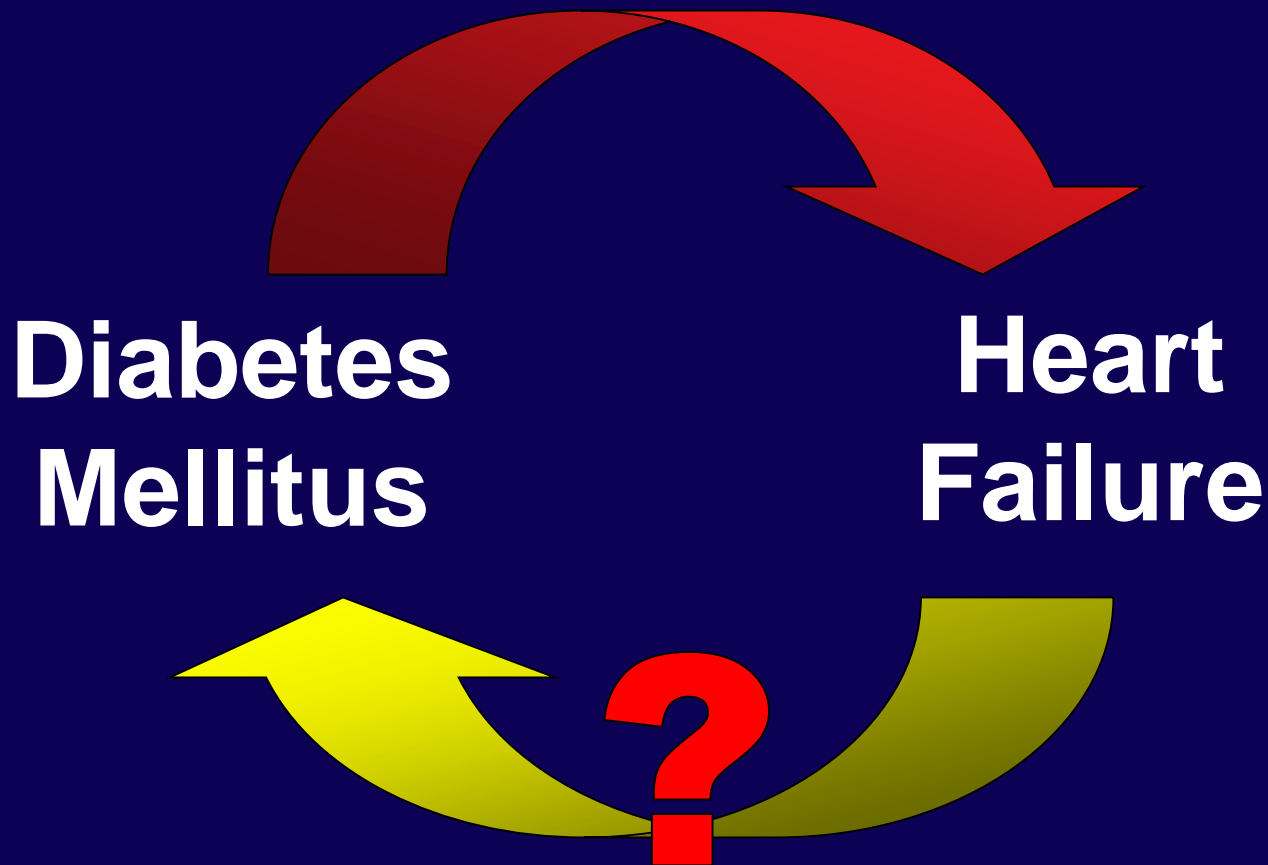
# Etiology of HF in Patients with Diabetes

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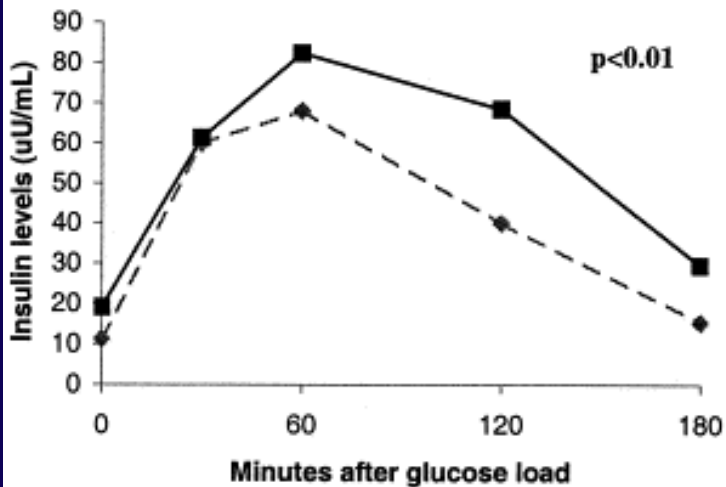
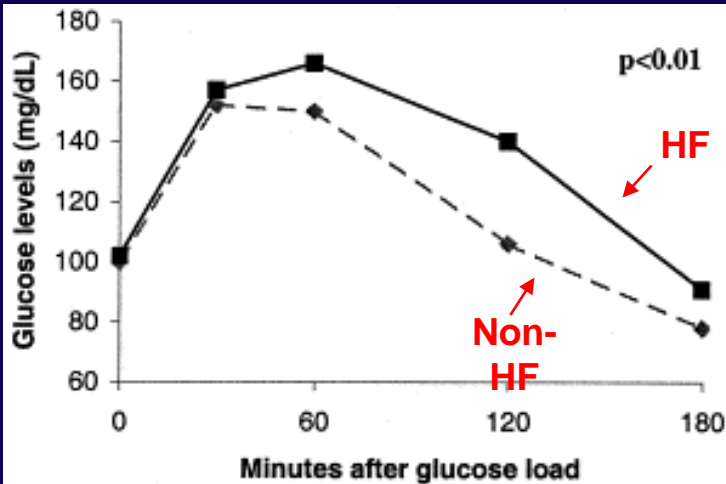
- Comorbidities
  - Ischemic Heart Disease
  - Hypertension
- Diabetic Cardiomyopathy
  - Direct Myocardial Effects of hyperglycemia and Advanced glycation end products
    - Fibrosis, diastolic dysfunction
    - Altered calcium homeostasis, systolic dysfunction
    - Free-radicals, oxidation, inflammation
    - Lipotoxicity of myocardium
    - Altered myocardial energetics
- Variable Combinations of above factors

# Relationship Between DM and HF

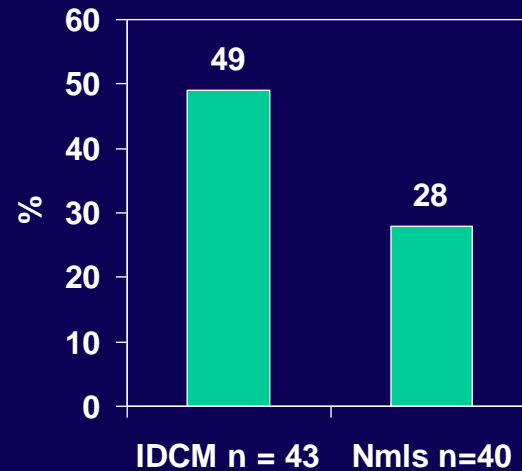
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# Insulin Resistance in Idiopathic Dilated Cardiomyopathy vs. Age, Sex, BMI-matched Controls

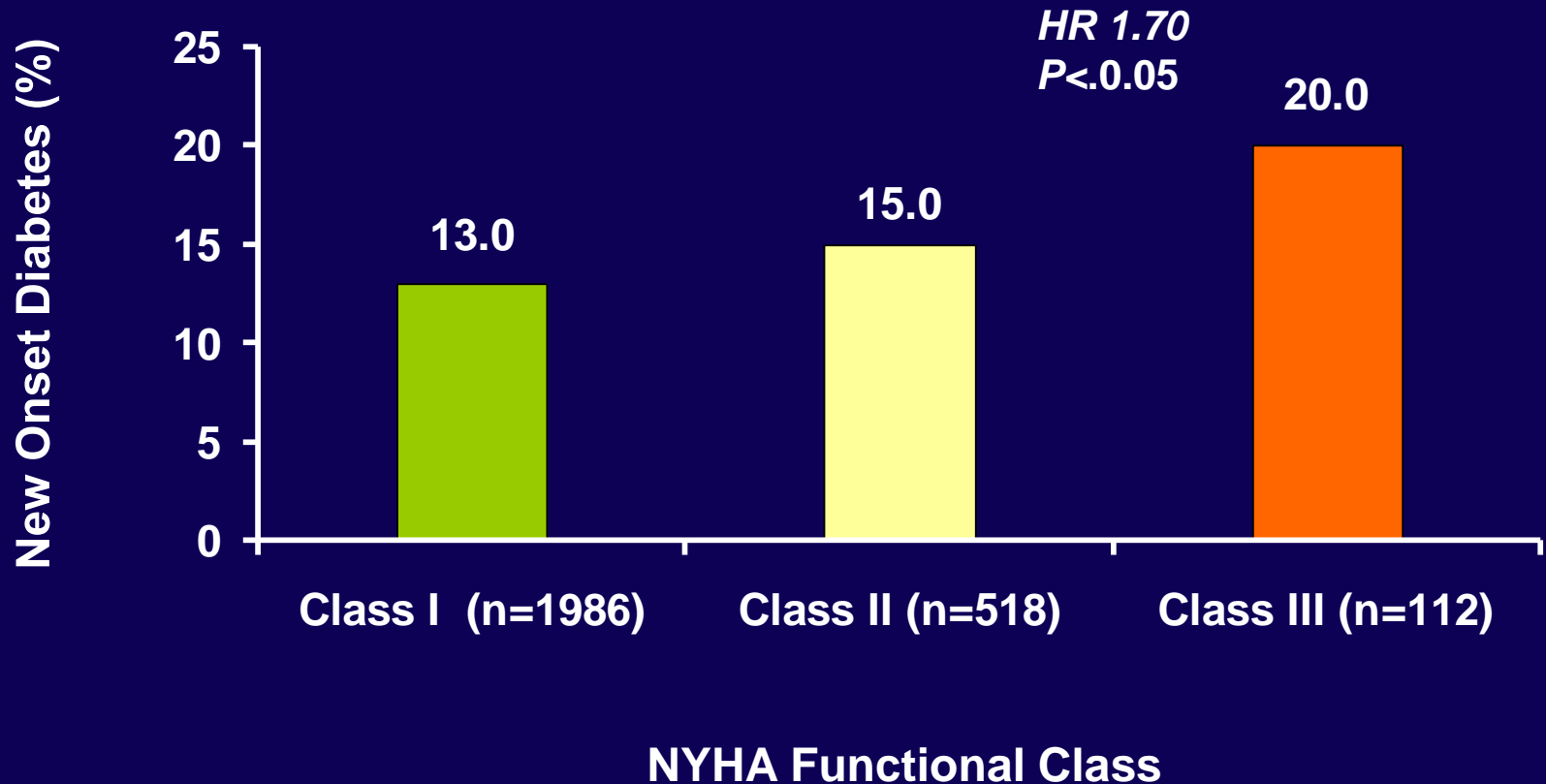


Subjects with abnormal glucose test



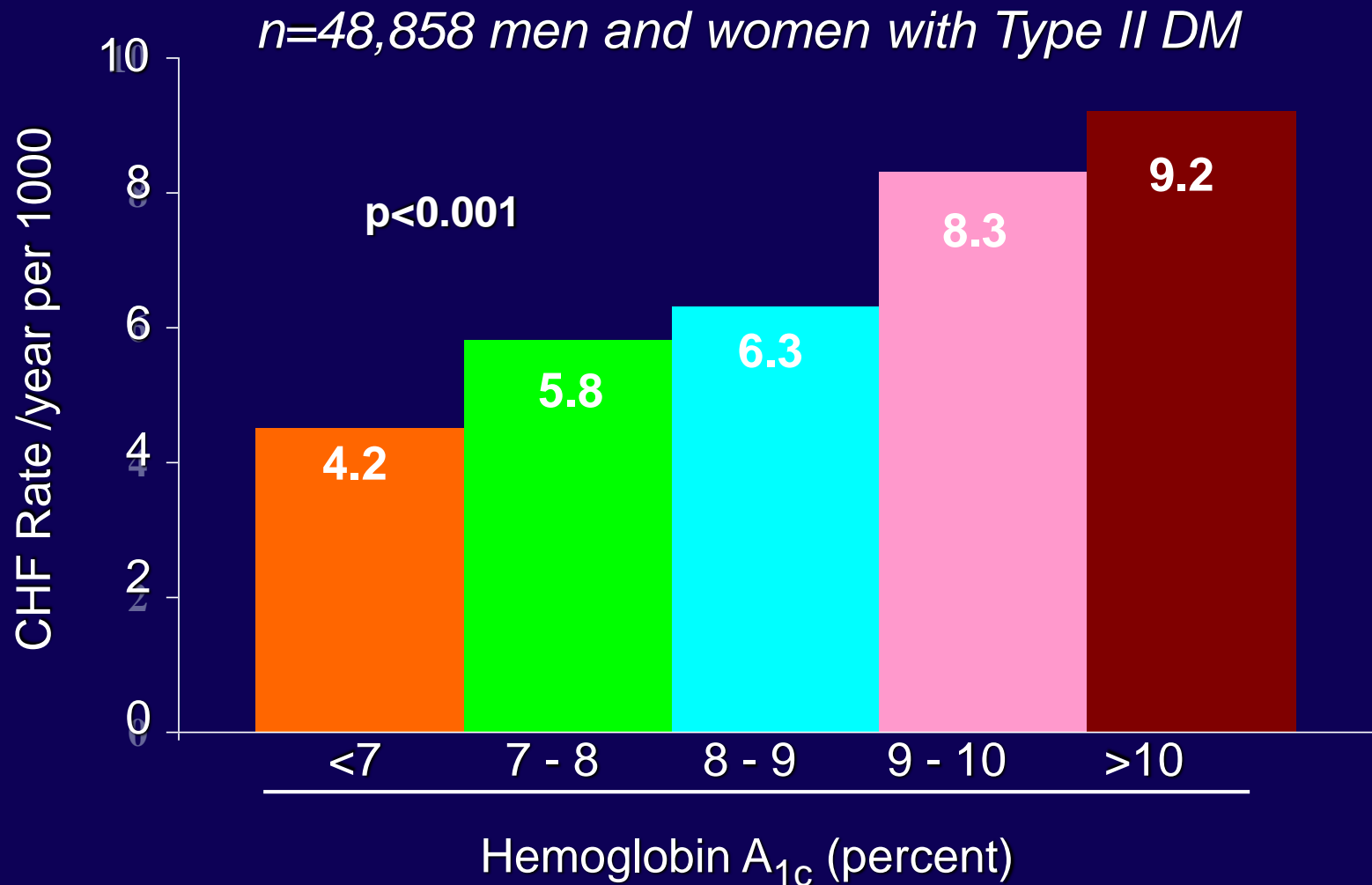
# Advanced Heart Failure Associated with Increased Risk of Developing Diabetes

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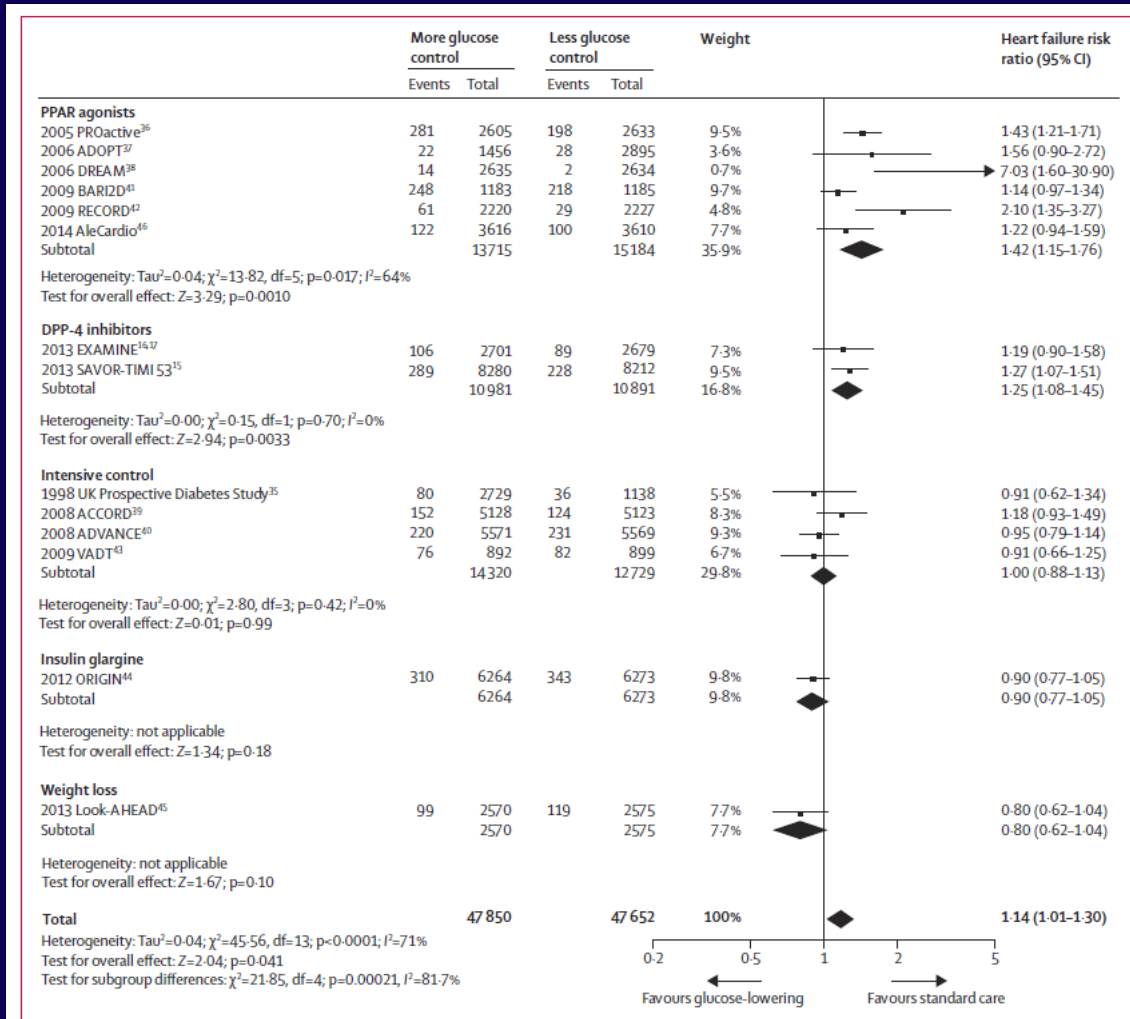
BIP Trial 2616 non-diabetics at baseline, prior MI during 7.7 years of follow-up

# Poor Glycemic Control in DM is Independently Associated with Increased HF Risk



# Heart Failure Rates in Diabetes Glucose Control Trials

Risk of HF events with glucose-lowering drugs or strategies versus standard care



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DPP-4 Inhibitors

Intensive Control

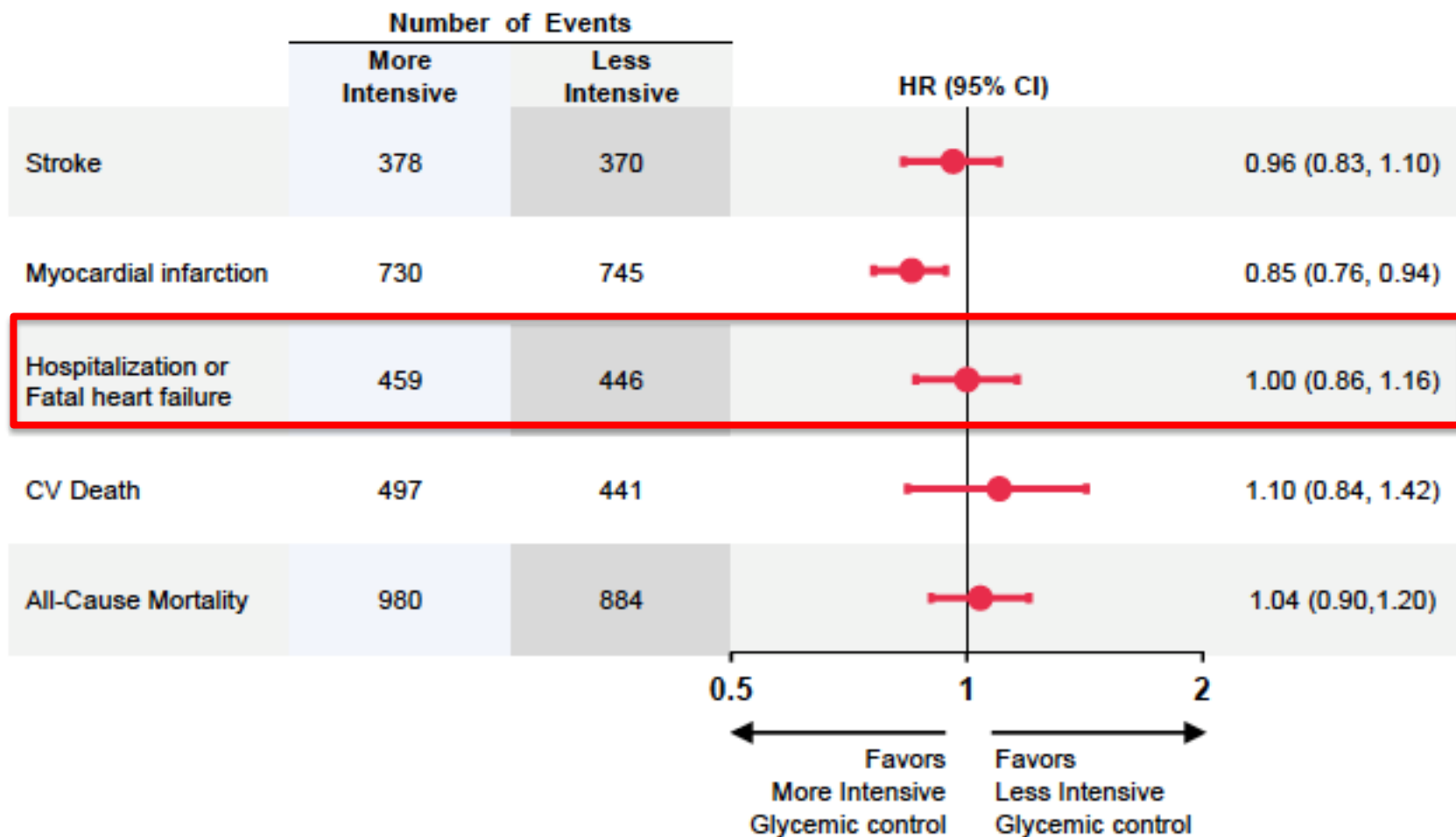
Insulin

Weight loss

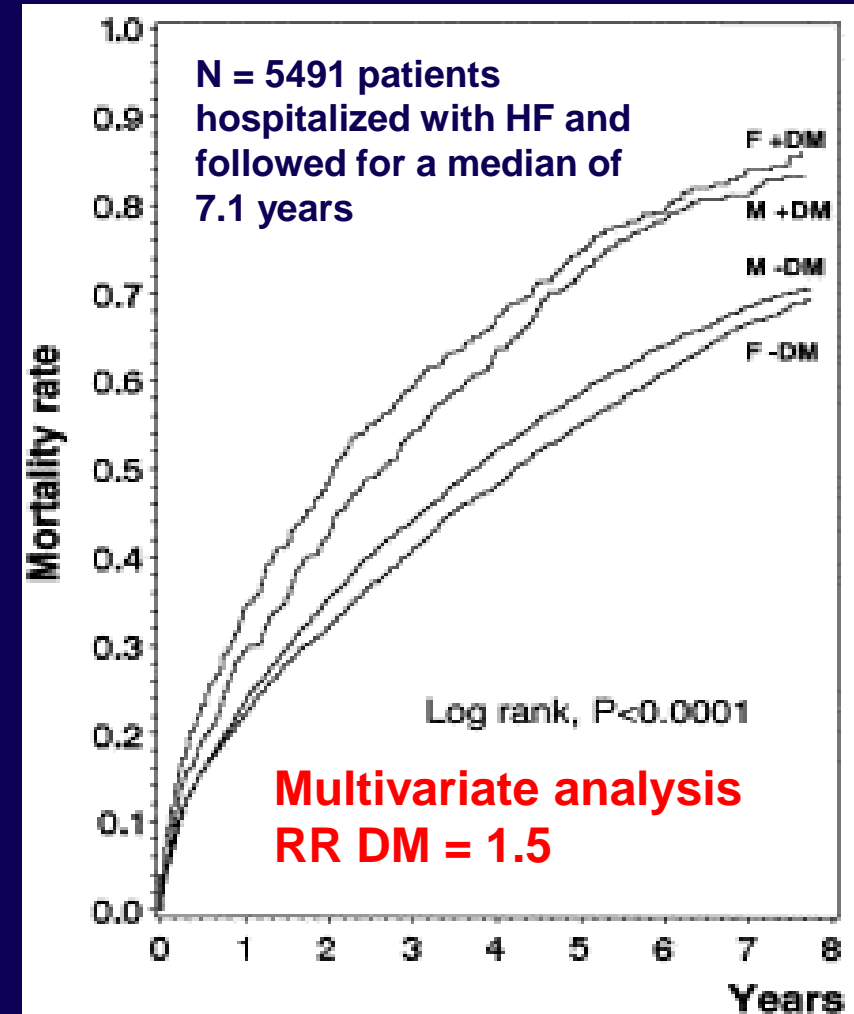
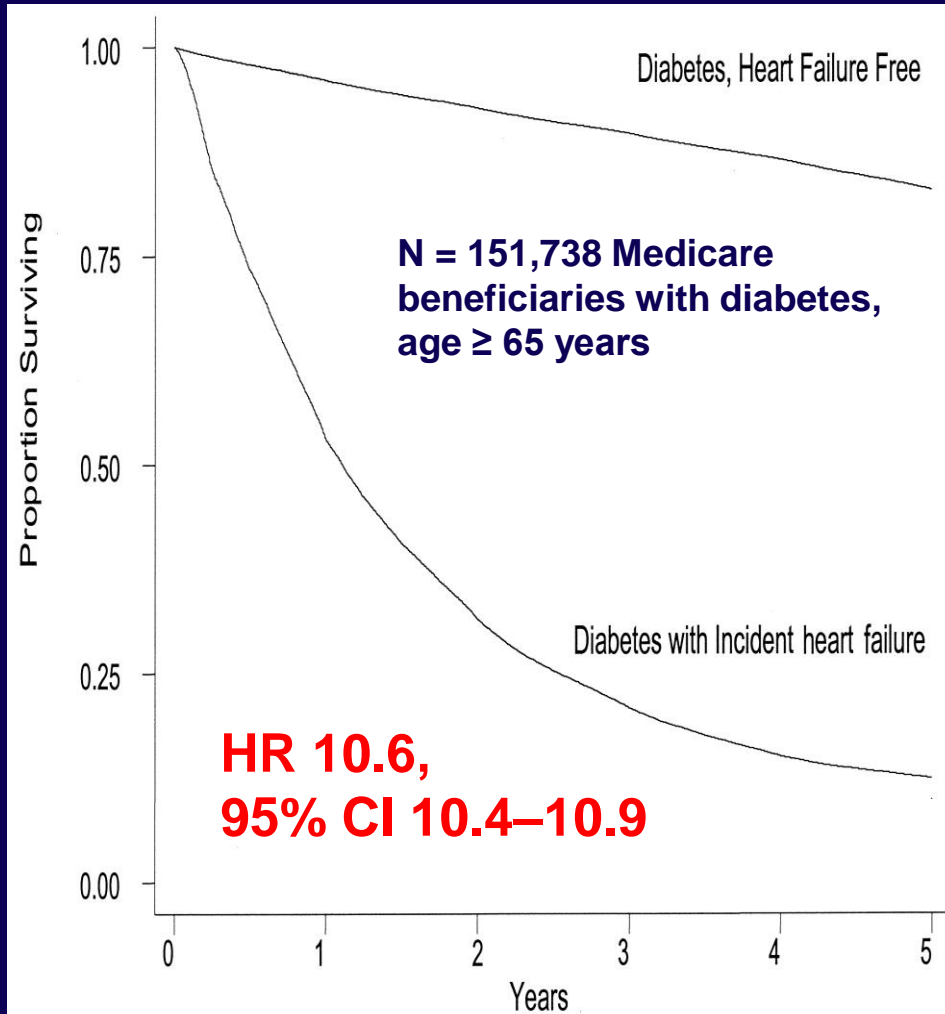


# Effect of Glycemic Control in Type 2 DM on Cardiovascular Outcomes

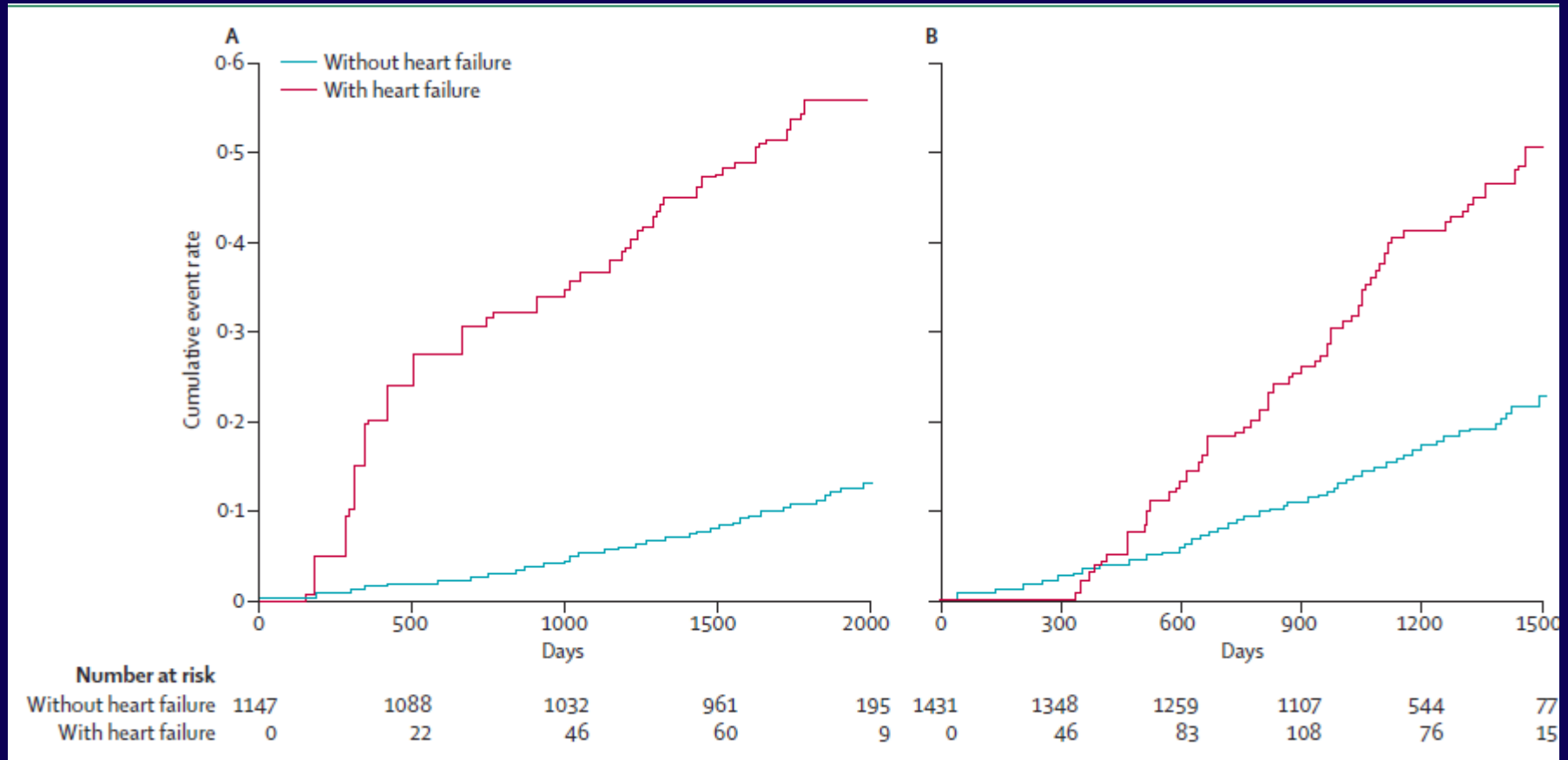
## Impact of Glycemic Control



# Diabetics and Heart Failure: Poor Prognosis



# Mortality in Patients with Diabetes with and without HF in LIFE and RENAAL



The heart failure:no heart failure hazard ratio for mortality was 5.98 (95% CI 3..90–9.17,  $p < 0.0001$ ) in LIFE and 3.99, 95% CI 3.02–5.25,  $p < 0.0001$ ) in RENAAL.

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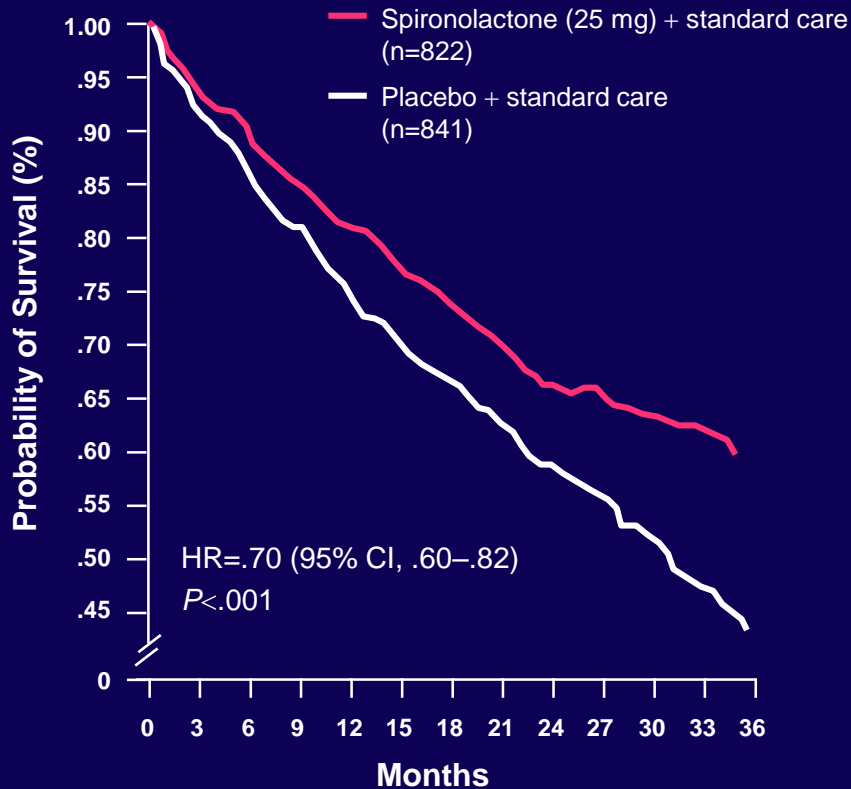
# ***Optimal Heart Failure Therapy in Heart Failure Patients with Diabetes***



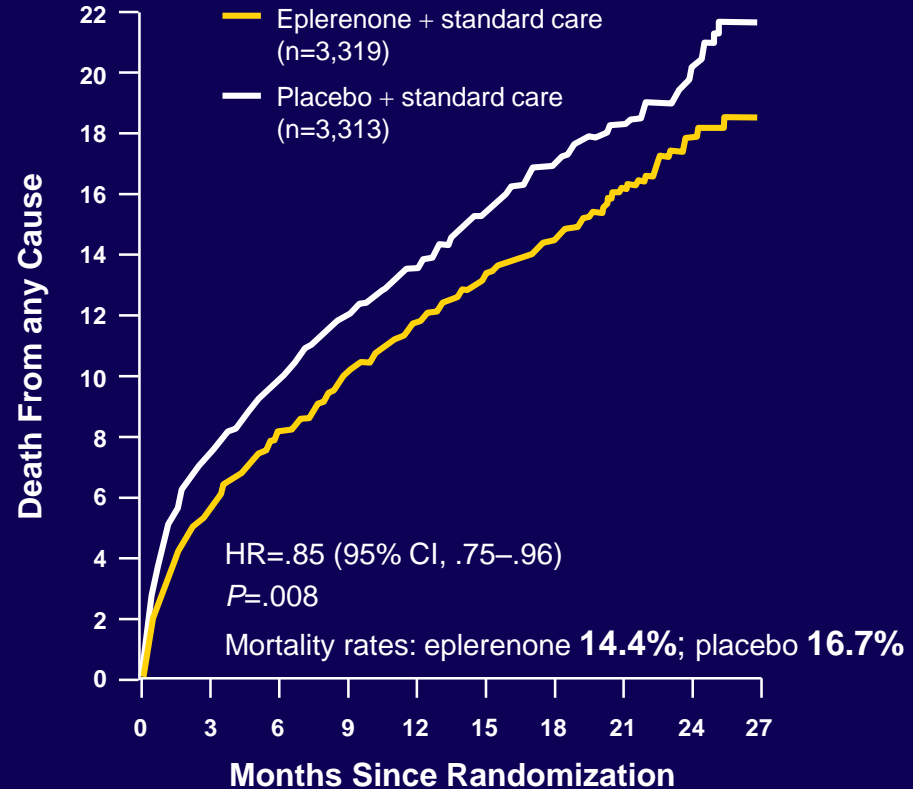
# ACE Inhibitors in Patients with HF with and without Diabetes

Relative Risks Analysis						
Study Name	Total N	Nondiabetic N=10188	Diabetic N=2398	Relative Risk, Nondiabetic (95% CI)	Relative Risk, diabetic (95% CI)	Ratio of Relative Risks (95% CI)
CONSENSUS	253	197	56	0.64 (0.46, 0.88)	1.06 (0.65, 1.74)	1.67 (0.93, 3.01)
SAVE	2231	1739	492	0.82 (0.68, 0.99)	0.89 (0.68, 1.16)	1.09 (0.79, 1.50)
SMILE	1556	1253	303	0.79 (0.54, 1.15)	0.44 (0.22, 0.87)	0.56 (0.25, 1.22)
SOLVD- prevention	4228	3581	647	0.97 (0.83, 1.15)	0.75 (0.55, 1.02)	0.77 (0.54, 1.09)
SOLVD- treatment	2569	1906	663	0.84 (0.74, 0.95)	1.01 (0.85, 1.21)	1.21 (0.97, 1.50)
TRACE	1749	1512	237	0.85 (0.74, 0.97)	0.73 (0.57, 0.94)	0.87 (0.65, 1.15)
Random Effects Pooled Estimate		10188	2398	0.85 (0.78, 0.92)	0.84 (0.70, 1.00)	1.00 (0.80, 1.25)

# Aldosterone Antagonists Reduce All-Cause Mortality in Chronic HF

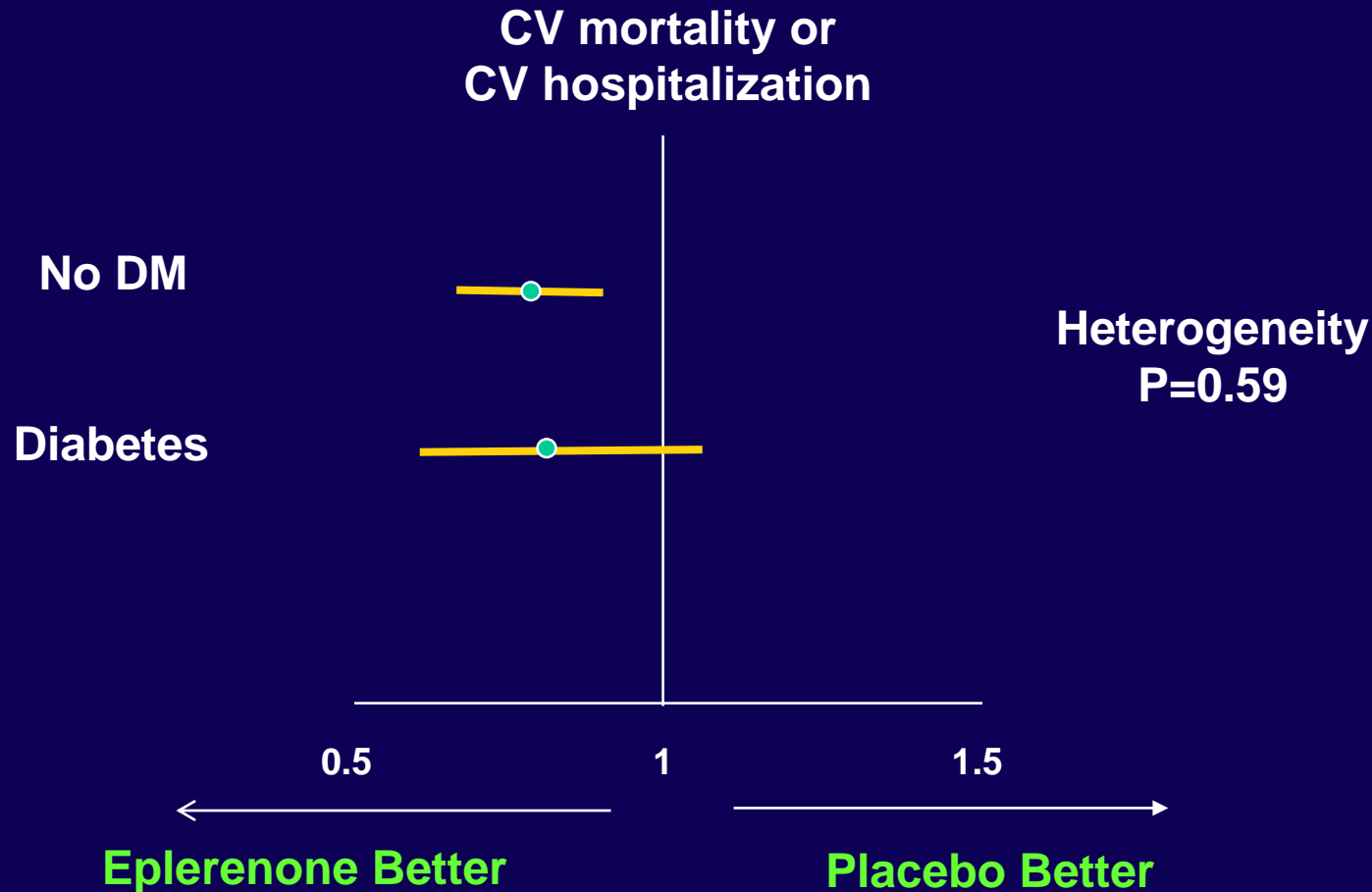


RALES (Randomized Aldactone Evaluation Study): 822 patients with severe HF and LVEF<35% randomized to receive spironolactone 25 mg QD or placebo and followed for 24 months.



EPHEBUS (Eplerenone Post-Acute Myocardial Infarction Heart Failure Efficacy and Survival Study): 6,642 patients with acute MI and LVD randomized to eplerenone started at 25 mg and titrated to 50 mg QD or placebo in addition to optimal medical therapy and followed for 16 months.

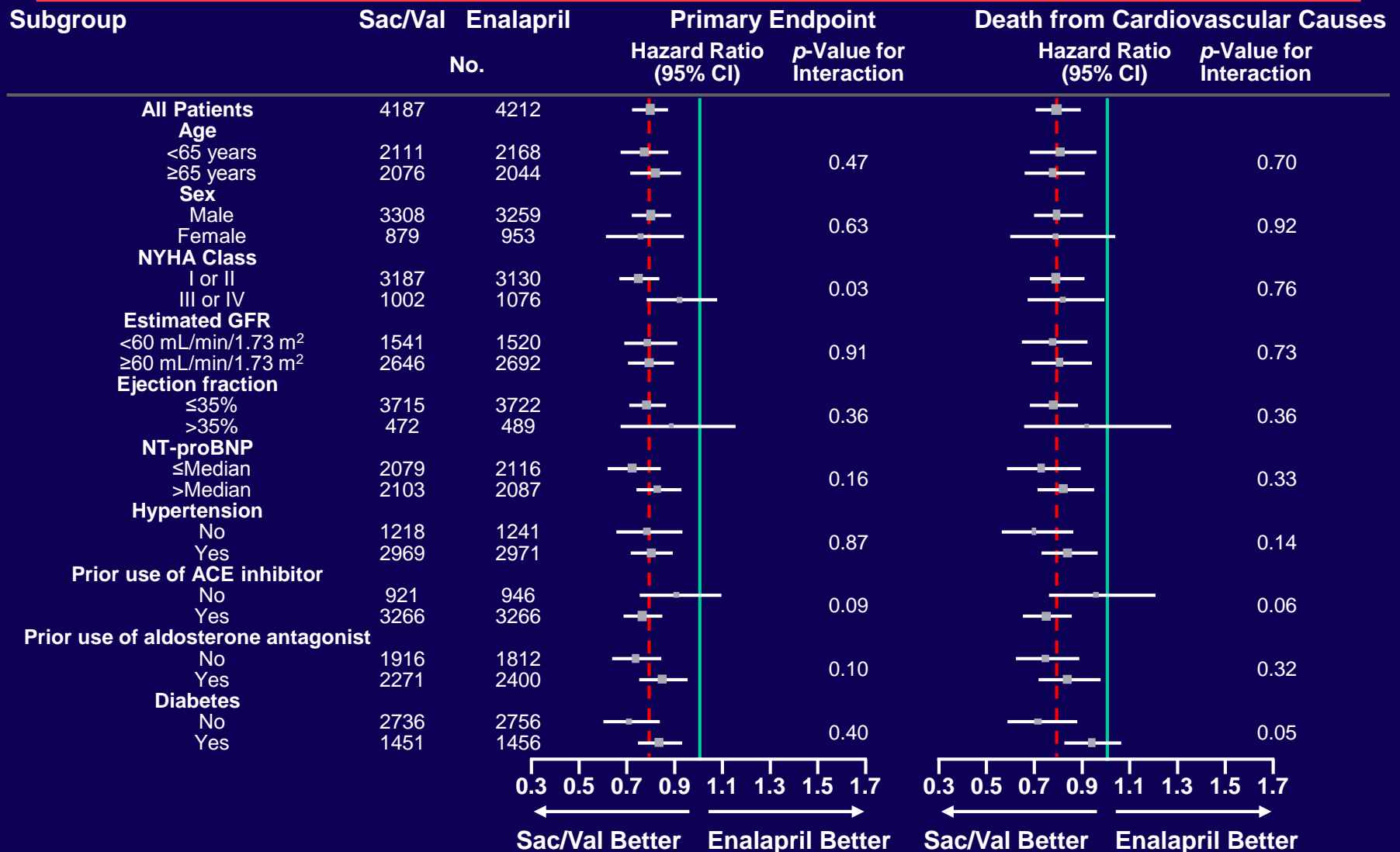
# Effect of Eplerenone on Mortality Post-MI in Diabetes and no-Diabetes



N=6632, 32% diabetic

Pitt NEJM 2003;348:1309-21

# Sac/Val vs. Enalapril on Primary Endpoint and on CV Death by Subgroups: PARADIGM-HF





# Effect of $\beta$ -Blockade on Mortality in HF

Study	Drug	HF Severity	Target Dosage (mg/day)	Effect on Mortality
US Carvedilol <sup>1</sup>	carvedilol	mild/ moderate	6.25 to 25* bid	↓65% mortality <sup>†</sup> ( $P=.0001$ )
CIBIS-II <sup>2</sup>	bisoprolol <sup>†</sup>	moderate/ severe	10 qd	↓34% mortality ( $P<.0001$ )
MERIT-HF <sup>3</sup>	metoprolol succinate	mild/ moderate	200 qd	↓34% mortality ( $P=.0062$ )
COPERNICUS <sup>4</sup>	carvedilol	severe	25 bid	↓35% mortality ( $P=.0014$ )

\*50 mg bid if >85 kg.

<sup>†</sup>Not a planned end point.

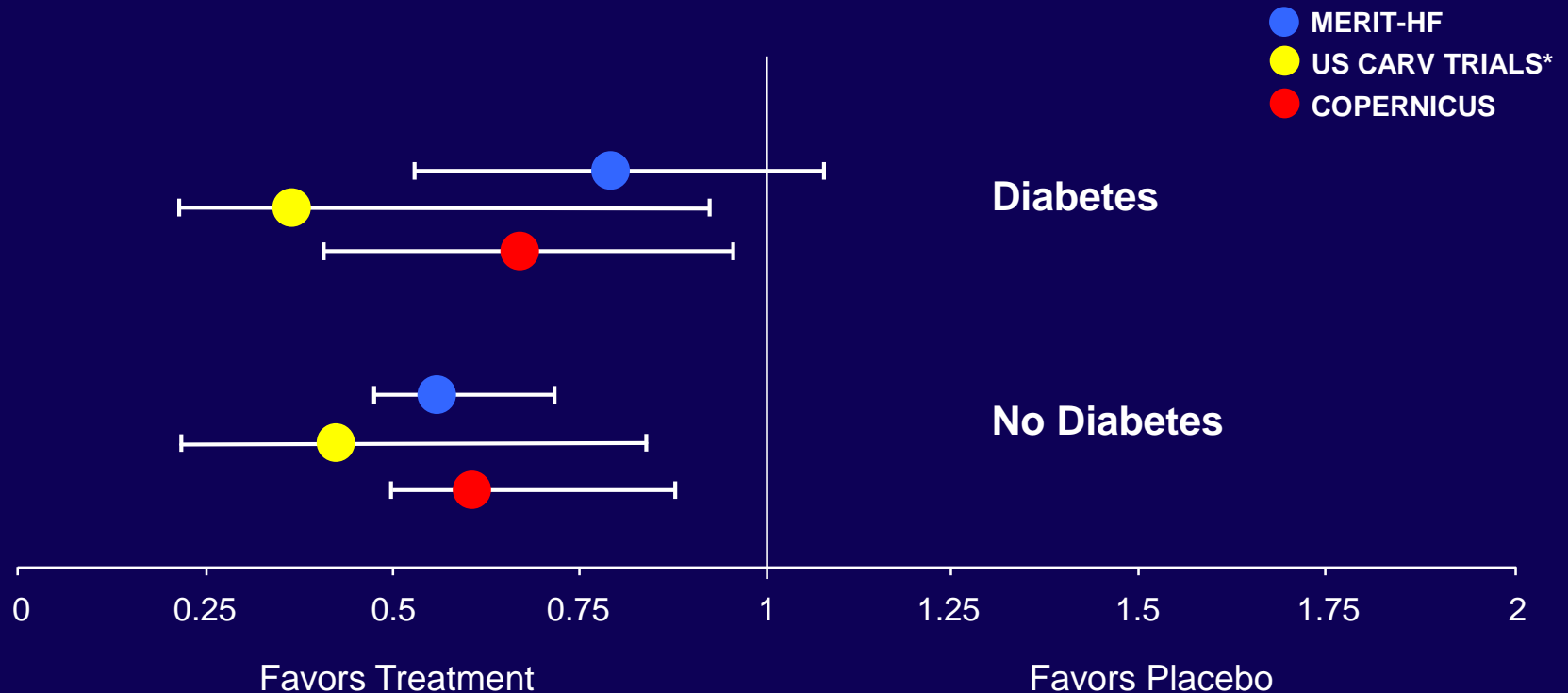
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<sup>2</sup>CIBIS II Investigators and Committees. *Lancet.* 1999;353:9–13.

<sup>3</sup>MERIT-HF Study Group. *Lancet.* 1999;353:2001–2007.

<sup>4</sup>Packer M et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2001;344:1651–1658.

# Effect of $\beta$ -Blockade in HF By Diabetes Status: All-Cause Mortality



Relative Risk and 95% Confidence Intervals

	<b>Metoprolol CR/XL/placebo</b>	<b>US carvedilol/placebo</b>	<b>COPERNICUS/placebo</b>
Diabetics:	495/1990 (25%)	195/696 (28%)	302/1156 (26%)
Nondiabetics	489/2001 (24%)	112/398 (28%)	287/1133 (25%)

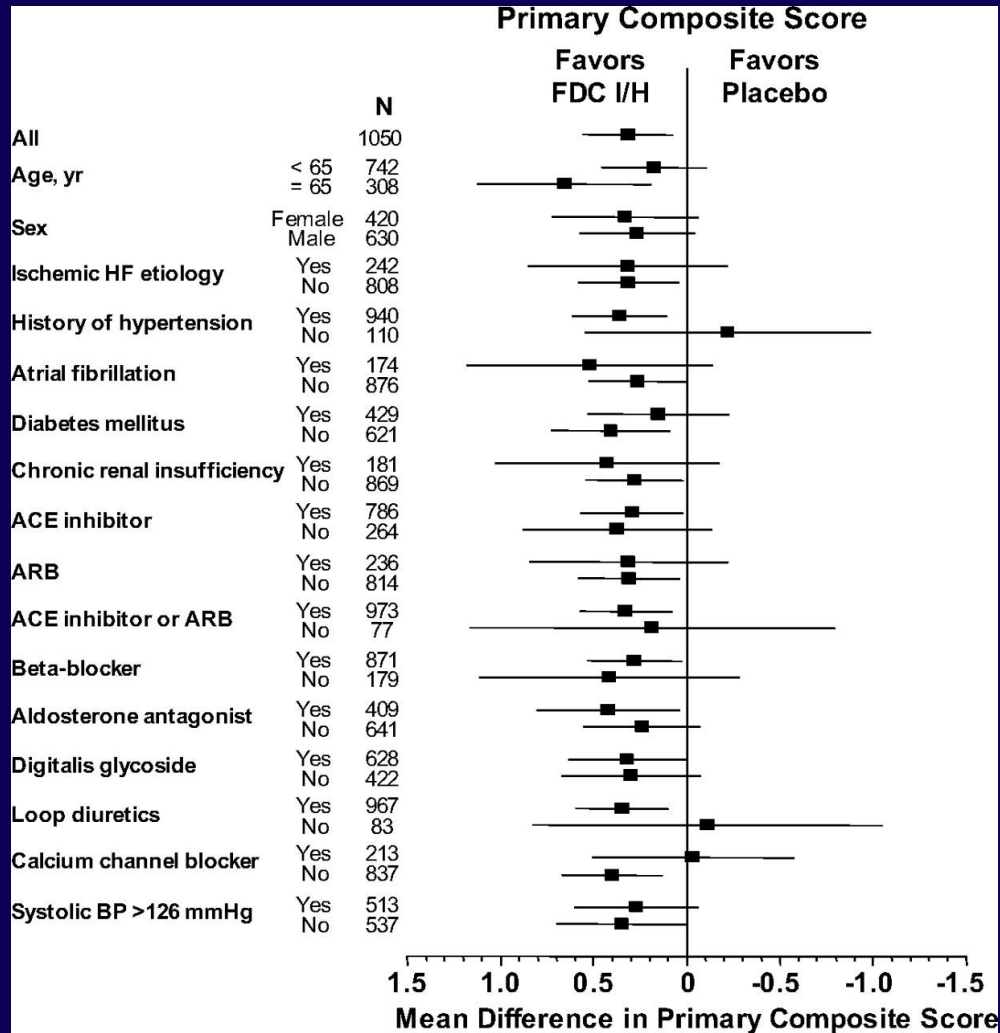
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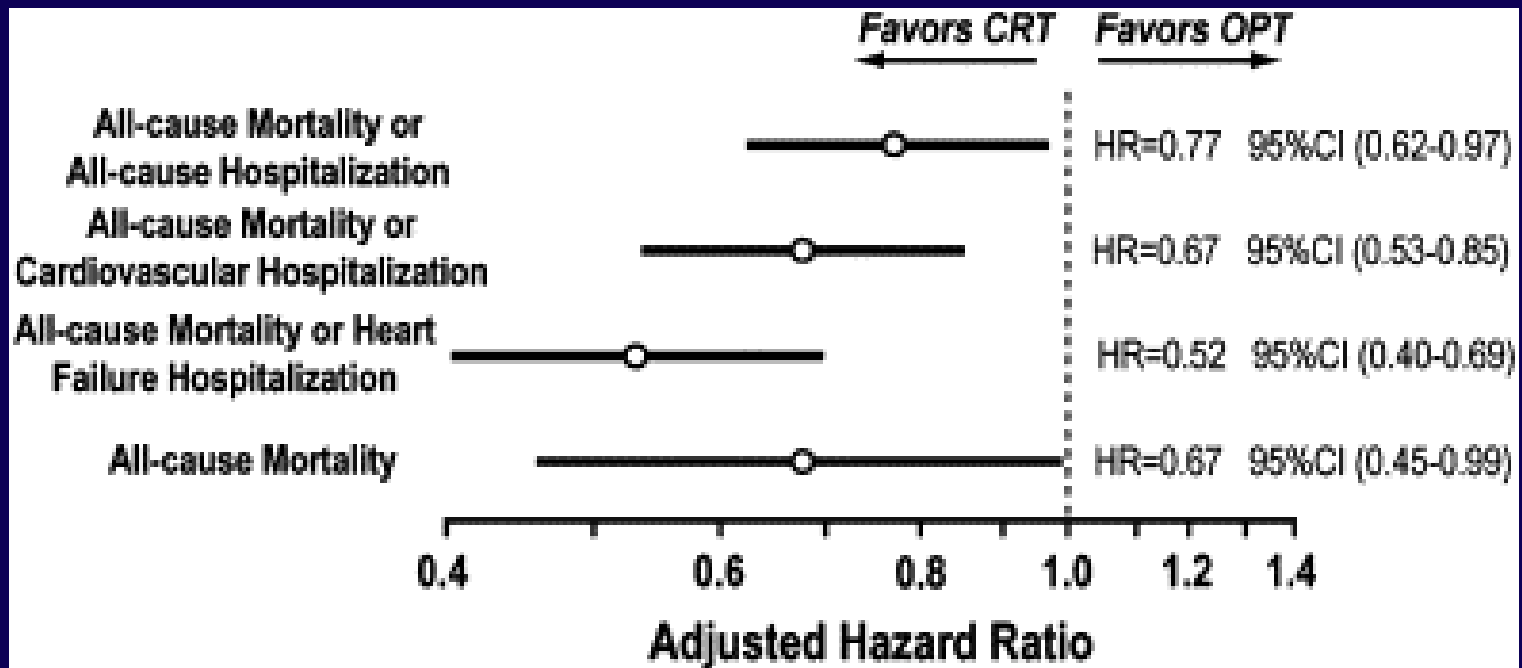
# AHEFT: Subgroup Analyses of Primary Outcome

## No Significant Interaction by Diabetes



# Influence of Diabetes on CRT With or Without Defibrillator in Patients With Advanced HF

## COMPANION Trial

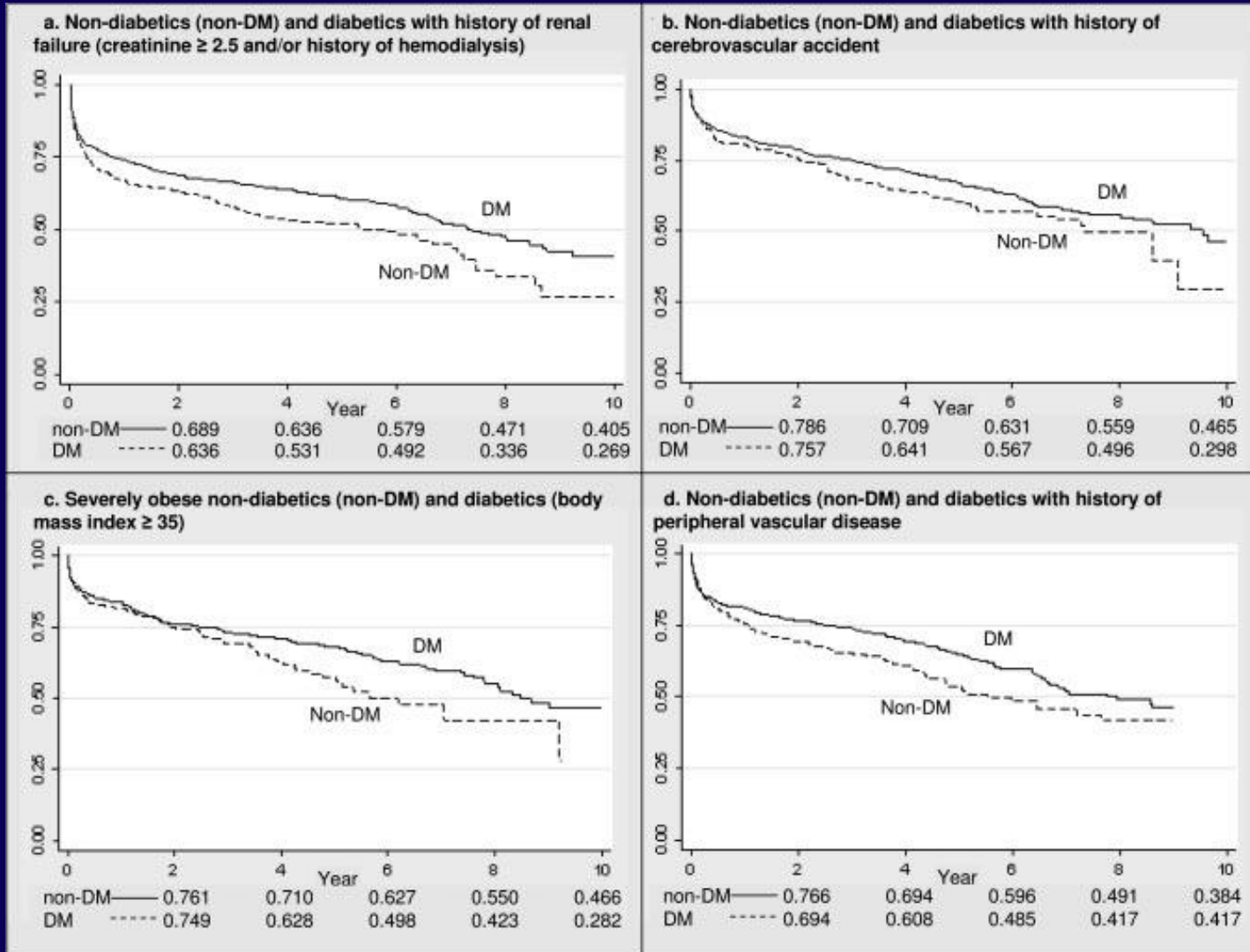


Diabetes mellitus was reported at the time of enrollment in 622 of 1520 patients (41%). Patients were randomized in a 1:2:2 ratio to OPT, CRT-P, and CRT-D,

**TABLE 1** Major Clinical Trials in Patients With Heart Failure and Subgroup Analyses With Concomitant Diabetes Mellitus

Trial	Primary Outcome	Subgroup of Patients With or Without DM	Average Follow-up (months)	Treatment	Results	Reference
SOLVD	Mortality and hospitalization for worsening HF	HF patients with EF <35%	41.4	Enalapril vs. placebo	RR of 0.84 (0.74–0.95) in no DM vs. 1.01 (0.85–1.21) in DM	35
SAVE	CV mortality	Recent survivors of MI with EF ≤40%	42	Captopril vs. Placebo	RR of 0.82 (0.68–0.99) in no DM vs. 0.89 (0.68–1.16) in DM	36
TRACE	All-cause mortality	Patients with LVEF <35% after acute MI	26	Trandalapril vs. placebo	RR of 0.82 (0.69–0.97) in no DM vs. 0.64 (0.45–0.91) in DM (interaction analysis p = 0.3)	37
SMILE	Progression to HF	Patients with anterior acute MI not eligible for thrombolytic treatment	12	Zofenopril vs. Placebo	RR of 0.79 (0.54–1.15) in no DM vs. 0.44 (0.22–0.87) in DM	38
ATLAS	All-cause mortality	High-risk HF patients	46	Lisinopril high dose (32.5–35 mg day <sup>-1</sup> ) vs. low-dose (2.5–5 mg day <sup>-1</sup> )	↓6% RR in no DM patients vs. ↓14% RR in DM high-dose vs. low dose (interaction analysis p = 0.3)	39
CHARM	CV death or hospitalization for HF	NYHA functional class II–IV patients (LVEF <40%)	40	Candesartan vs. placebo	RR not significant in no DM vs. that in DM (interaction analysis p = 0.12)	41
Val-HeFT	Combined endpoint of CV mortality and morbidity	NYHA functional class II–IV patients	23	Valsartan vs. Placebo	↓RR in no DM vs. that in DM (although not significant)	42
EPHESUS	Mortality and CV morbidity	Postacute MI patients with LVEF ≤40% and clinical HF	16	Eplerenone vs. Placebo	↓RR in no DM vs. that in DM (although not significant; p = 0.59)	43
Subgroup analysis	All-cause mortality	NYHA functional class III–IV patients with LVEF <35%	24	Spironolactone vs. Placebo	RR of 0.70 (0.60–0.82) in non-DM vs. HR of 0.70 (0.52–0.94) in DM	44
BEST	All-cause mortality	NYHA functional class III–IV patients with EF ≤35%	24	Bucindolol vs. Placebo	RR of 0.91 (0.74–1.13) in no DM vs. HR of 0.87 (0.73–1.03) in DM	29
MERIT-HF	Risk of hospitalization for HF	NYHA functional class III–IV patients with EF <40%	12	Metoprolol vs. Placebo	↓37% RR in DM vs. ↓35% in no DM; test of diabetes by treatment interaction was nonsignificant	30
CIBIS II	All-cause mortality	NYHA functional class III–IV patients with EF ≤35%	16	bisoprolol vs. Placebo	RR 0.66 (95% CI 0.54–0.81) in no DM vs. RR 0.81 (95% CI 0.51–1.28) in DM (heterogeneity test for interaction p = 0.48)	32
COPERNICUS	Combined endpoint All-cause mortality or hospitalization for HF	NYHA functional class IV patients with EF <25%	10.4	Carvedilol vs. Placebo	RR of 0.67 (0.52–0.85) in no DM vs. 0.68 (0.47–1.00) in DM	31
ASTRONAUT	CV death or HF rehospitalization	Hemodynamically stable patients hospitalized for HF	11.3	Aliskiren vs. Placebo	HR of 0.80 (0.64–0.99) in no DM vs. 1.16 (0.91–1.47) in DM ; test for interaction p = 0.03	2

# Survival After Heart Transplantation Is Not Diminished Among Recipients With Uncomplicated Diabetes Mellitus



20,412 first-time heart transplant recipients, 19% with diabetes

No increased risk for mortality with 0 or 1 end organ complications

Increased mortality with 2 or 3 or more factors

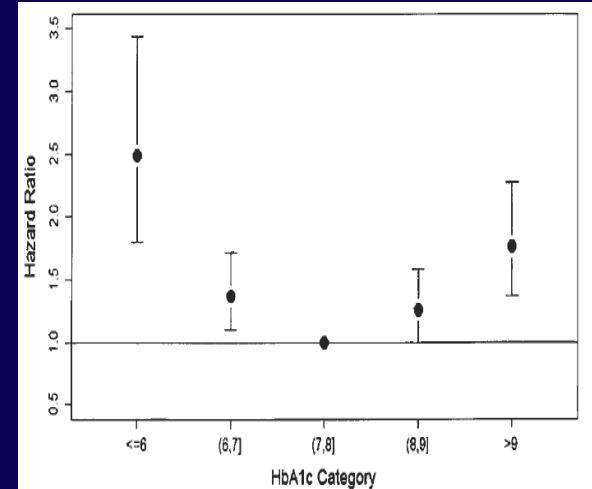
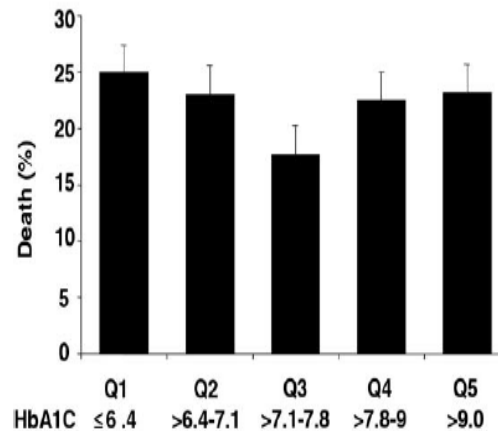
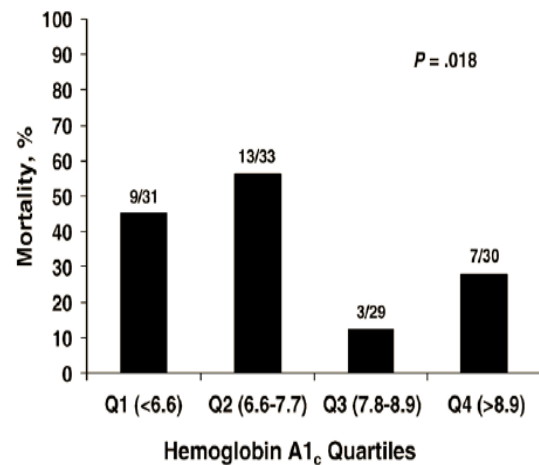
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# ***Optimal Diabetes Therapy in Heart Failure Patients with Diabetes***



# Hemoglobin A1C and Mortality in Heart Failure Patients With Diabetes

## All Cause Mortality in HF Patients with Diabetes as a Function of HbA1c



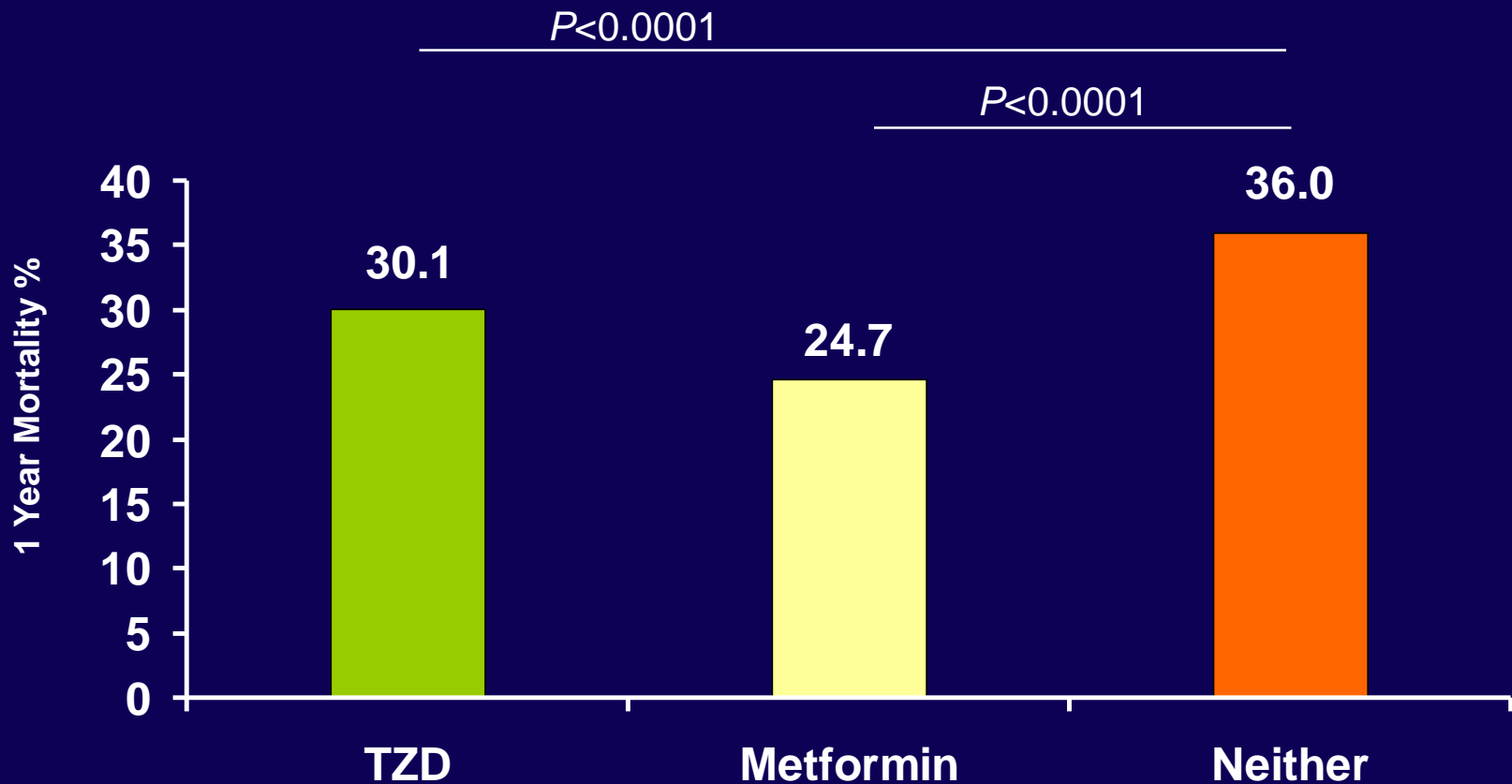


# Glycemic Management Medications: Possible Mechanisms Impacting HF

**Table 2.** Cellular mechanisms and possible cellular effects in HF of the commercially available antidiabetic agents

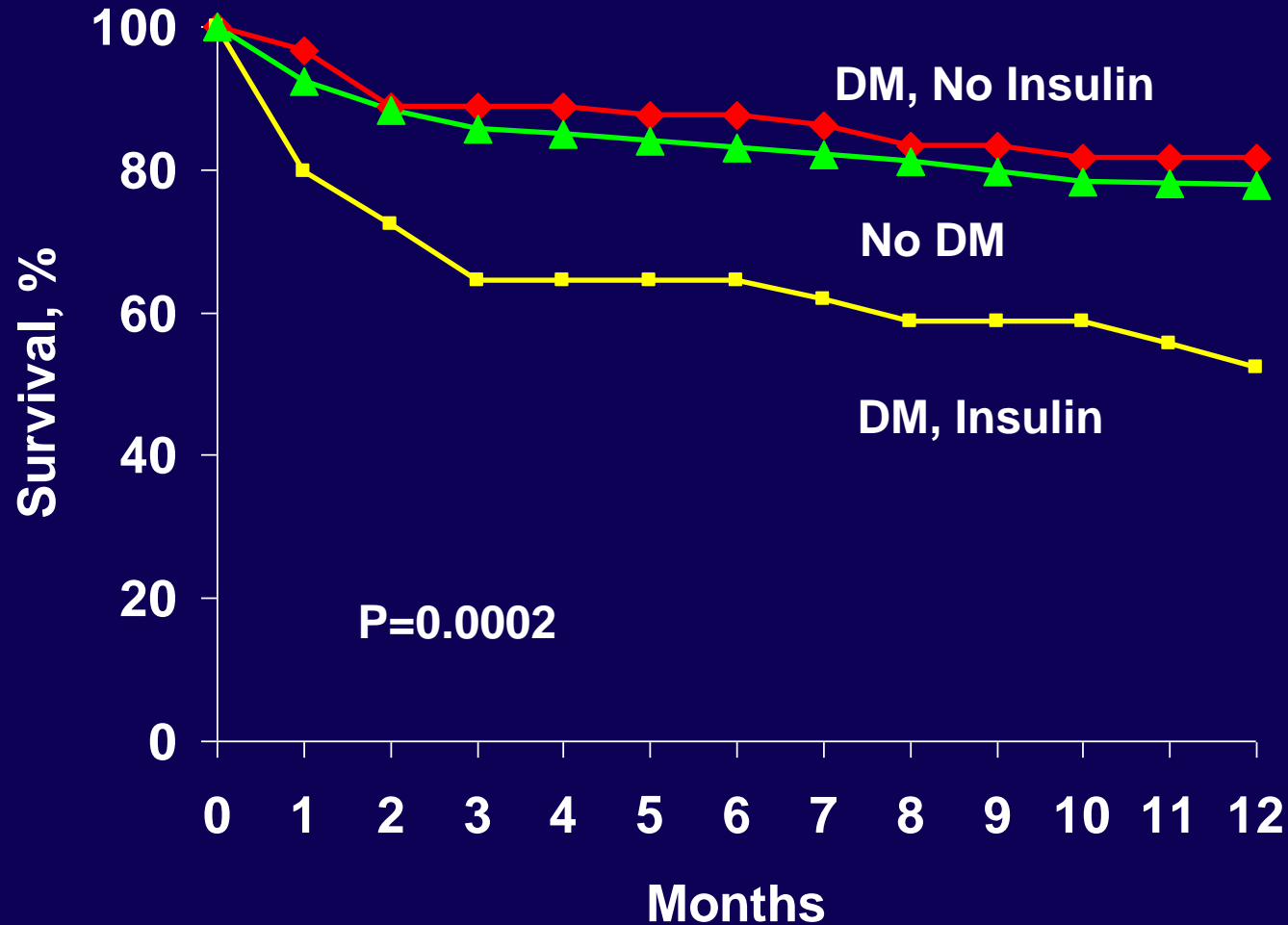
Agent	Cellular mechanism	Possible cellular effects in CAD/HF
Metformin	AMP-kinase activation	↓ Activity of carnitine palmitoyltransferase-1, a key regulator of FFA uptake in the mitochondria, ↑ Myocardial glucose uptake and glycolysis
Thiazolidinediones	Nuclear transcription factor PPAR $\gamma$ activation	↑ Fluid retention and edema ↓ Angiotensin II levels ↓ Blood pressure, ↑ Endothelial function ↓ Inflammation ↑ HDL and ↓ TG and LDLox
Sulfonylureas	KATP channels closure on $\beta$ -cell membranes	Possible implication of closure of cardiac potassium-sensitive ATP channels ↑ Body weight
Insulin	Insulin receptor activation	↑ MAPK activation mediating proinflammatory and mitogenic effects ↑ PI-3K activation mediating myocardial glucose uptake and glycolysis, NO production and anti-inflammatory effects ↑ Body weight
GLP-1 agonists	GLP-1 receptor activation	Possible implication of the binding to cardiomyocytes and VSMCs receptors in the heart ↑ Glucose myocardial uptake via cAMP production ↓ Body weight ↓ Blood pressure ↑ Inotropic effect
DPP-4 inhibitors	DPP-4 activity inhibition	↑ BNP levels
SGLT-2 inhibitors	Kidney SGLT-2 inhibition	↓ Fluid retention and edema ↓ Blood pressure

# Glycemic Control Medications and Outcomes in Older Patients with Diabetes and HF



16,417 Medicare beneficiaries with diabetes discharged after hospitalization with the principal diagnosis of HF. 2226 patients treated with a thiazolidinedione, 1861 treated with metformin, 12,069 treated with neither  
Masoudi FA et al. Circulation 2005;111:583-90

# Insulin Treatment is Associated With Increased Mortality In Patients With Advanced HF



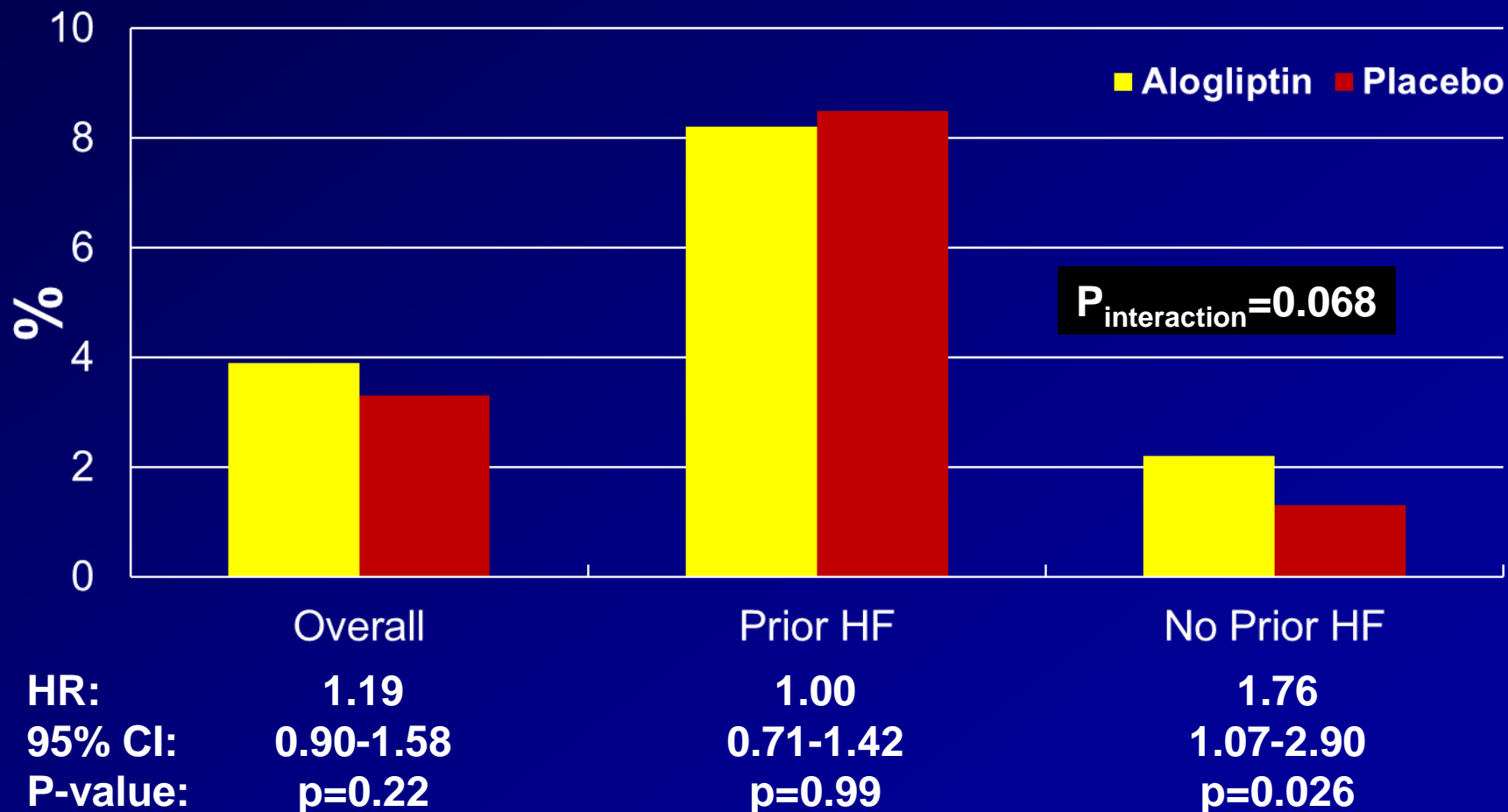
624 patients with advanced HF, systolic dysfunction  
Smooke, Horwich, and Fonarow, AHJ 2005;149:168-74.

# SAVOR TIMI 53-Hospitalization for Heart Failure: DPP-4

Time to the 1<sup>st</sup> occurrence of any hospitalization for heart failure; 517 events

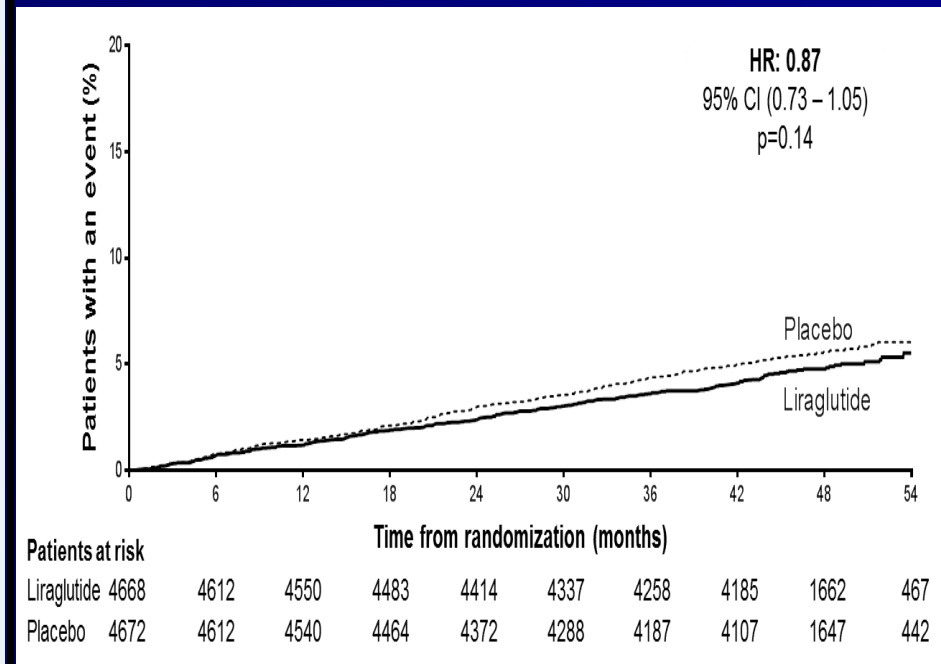
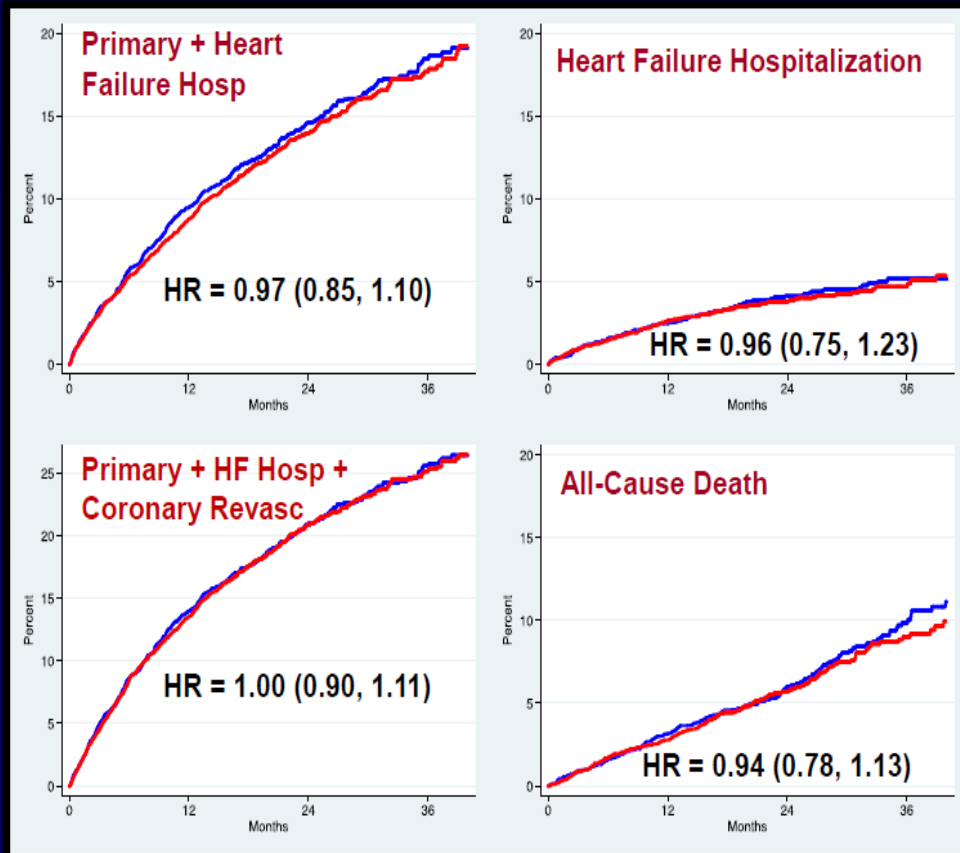


# Hospitalization for HF with Alogliptin: Observations from EXAMINE



# CV Effects of Lixisenatide: ELIXA Trial Results

# LEADER: Hospitalization for heart failure



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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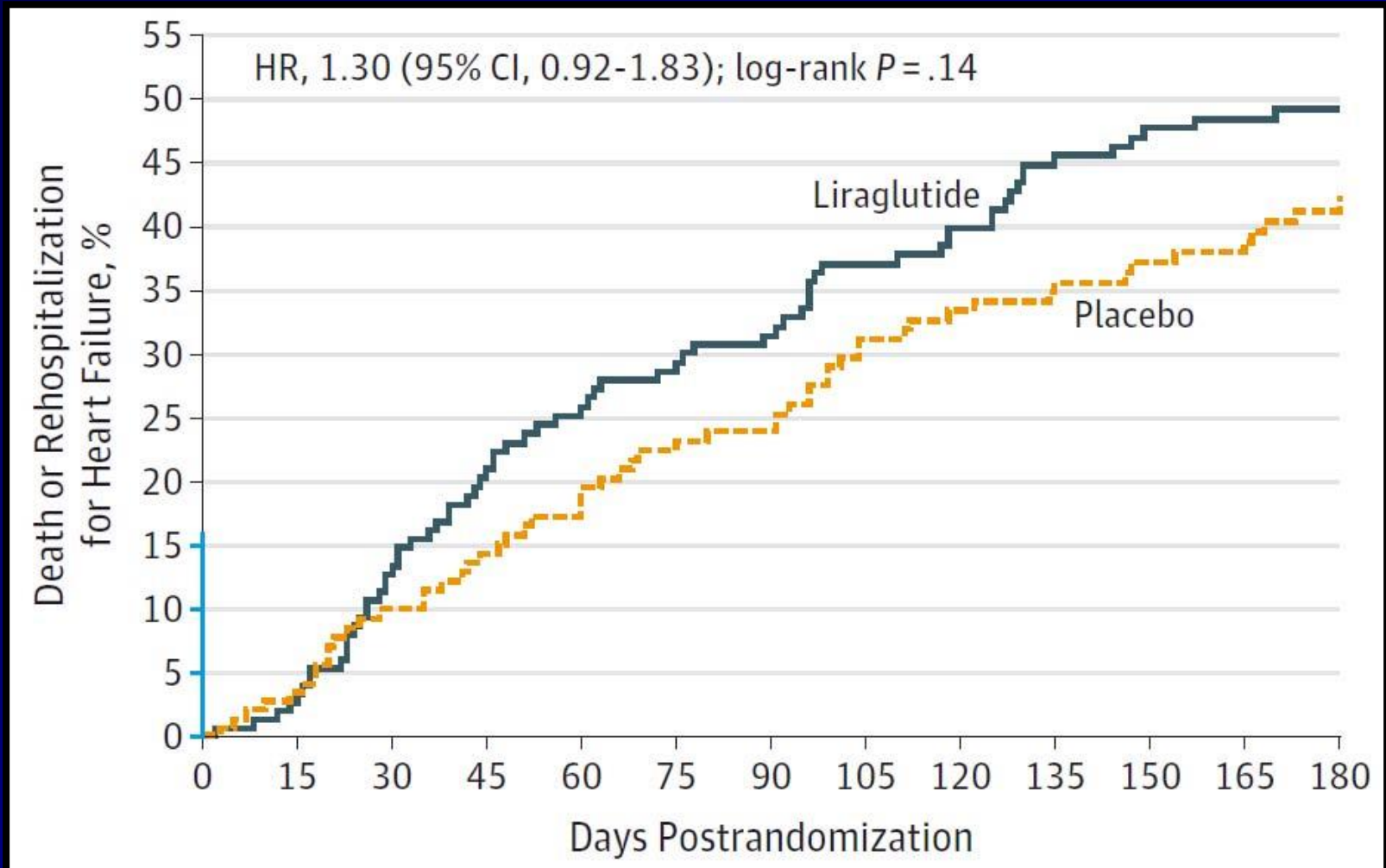
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N=3297 T2DM w/ CVD/CV risk  
Semaglutide 0.5 or 1.0mg vs. placebo once weekly  
104 Weeks

Outcome	# of events semaglutide vs placebo	HR	95%CI
CV Death/MI/Stroke	108 vs 146	0.74	0.58-0.95
HF hospitalization	59 vs 54	1.11	0.77-1.61

# Liraglutide in Systolic Heart Failure: The FIGHT Trial

N=300: liraglutide (n = 154) vs. placebo (n = 146)

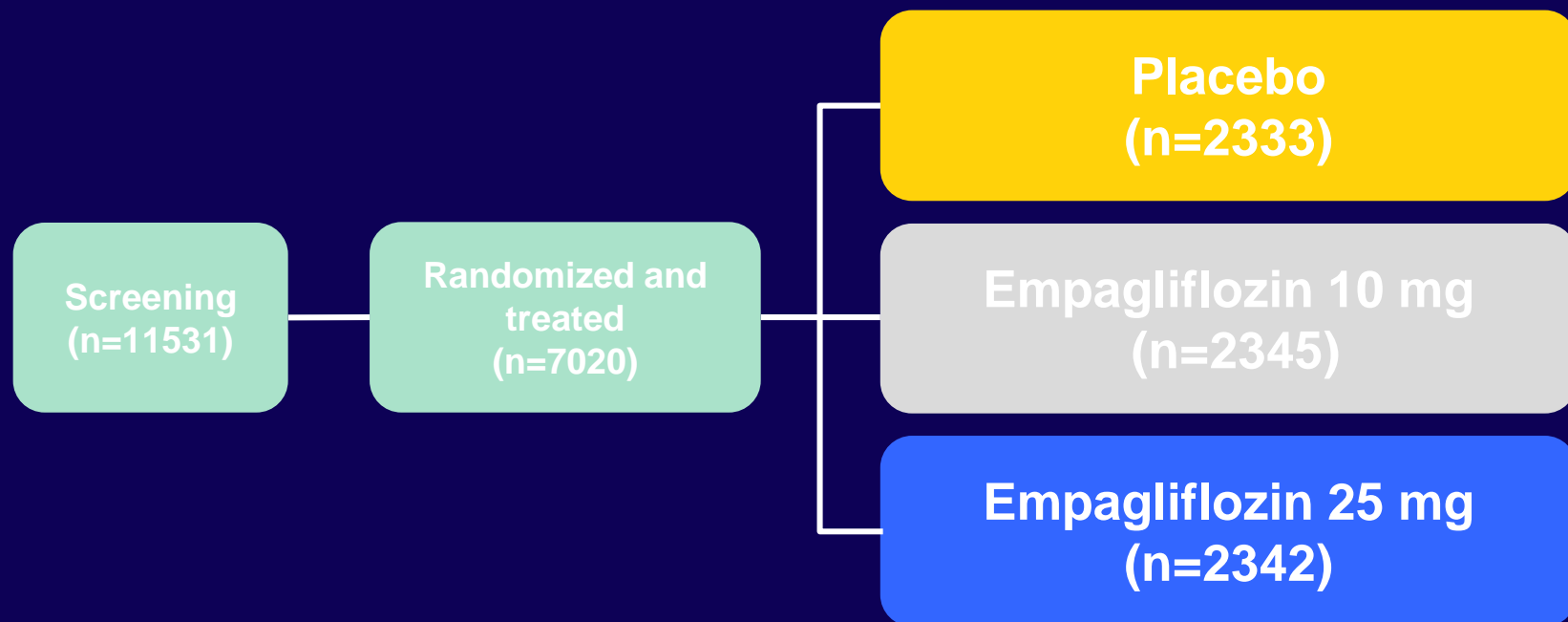




# EMPA-REG OUTCOME

## Trial design: SGLT2 Inhibitor

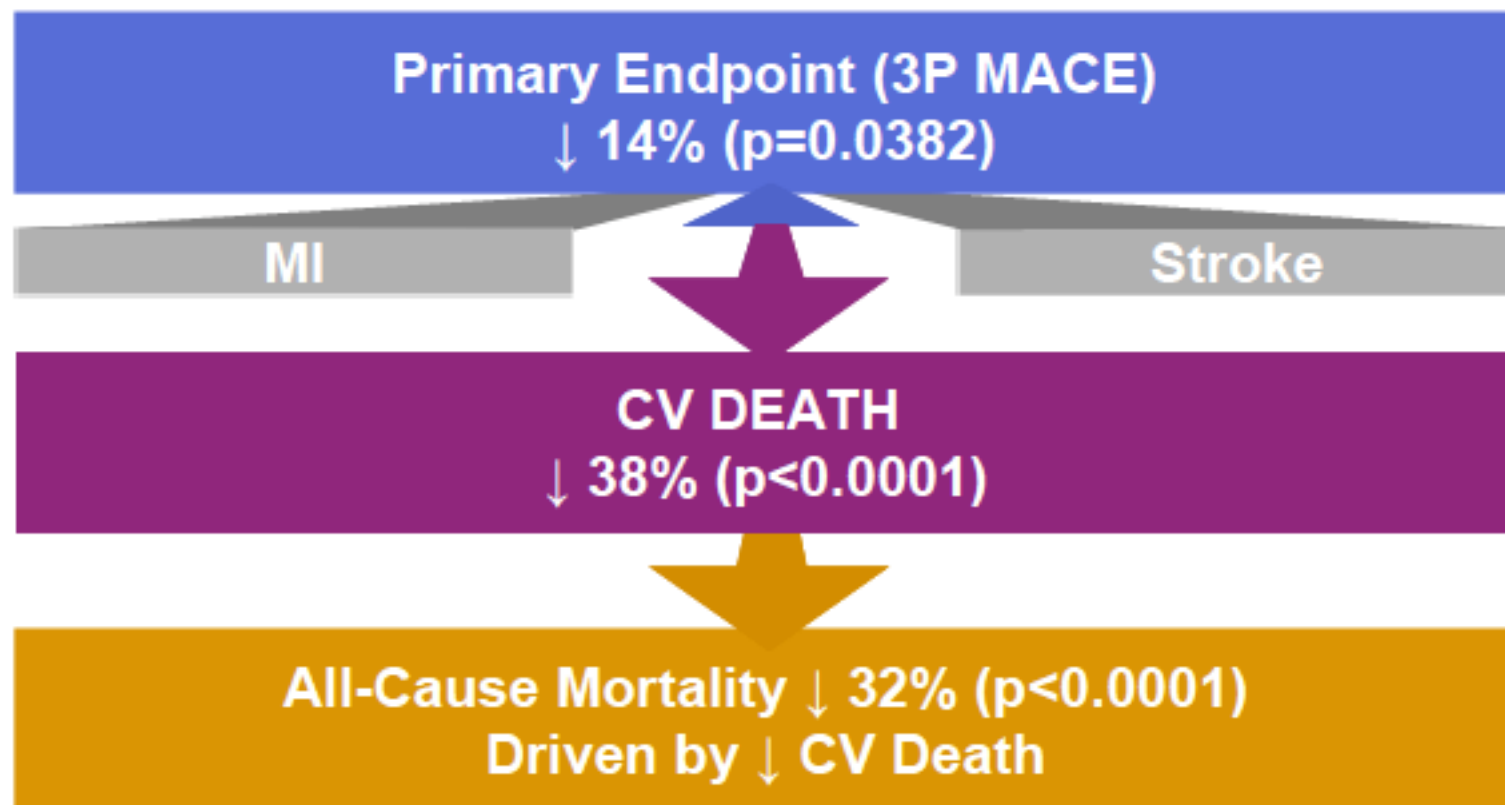
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- **Key inclusion criteria:**
  - Adults with type 2 diabetes and established CVD
  - BMI  $\leq 45$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>; HbA1c 7–10%; eGFR  $\geq 30$  mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> (MDRD)
  - 10.2% of patients enrolled with pre-existing heart failure

# EMPA-REG OUTCOME Trial

## EMPA-REG OUTCOME Trial: Key Results

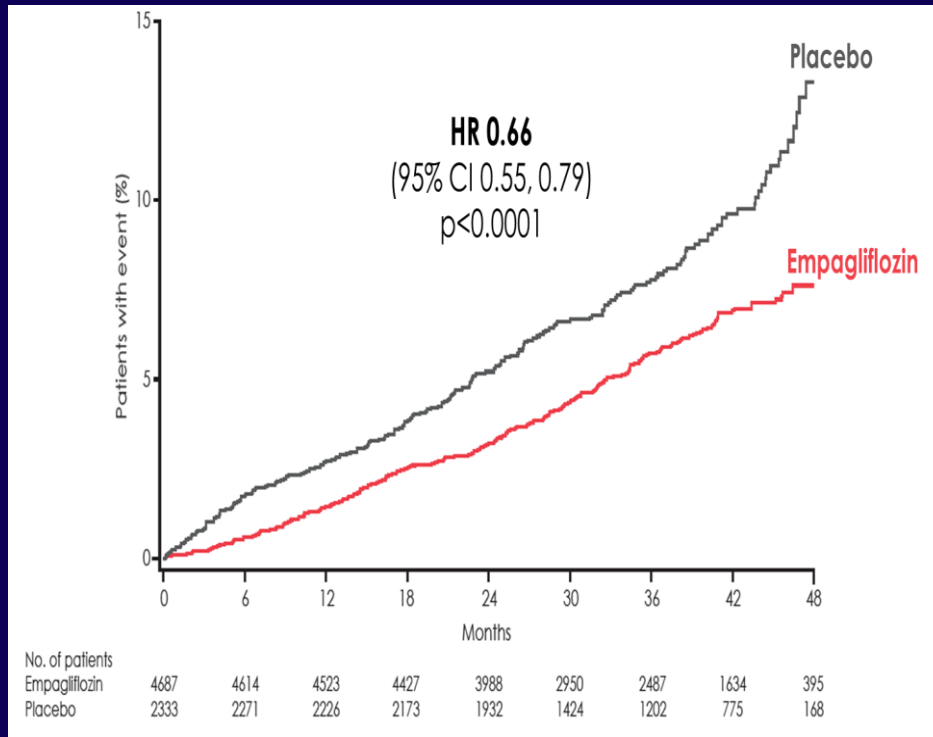


### Heart Failure

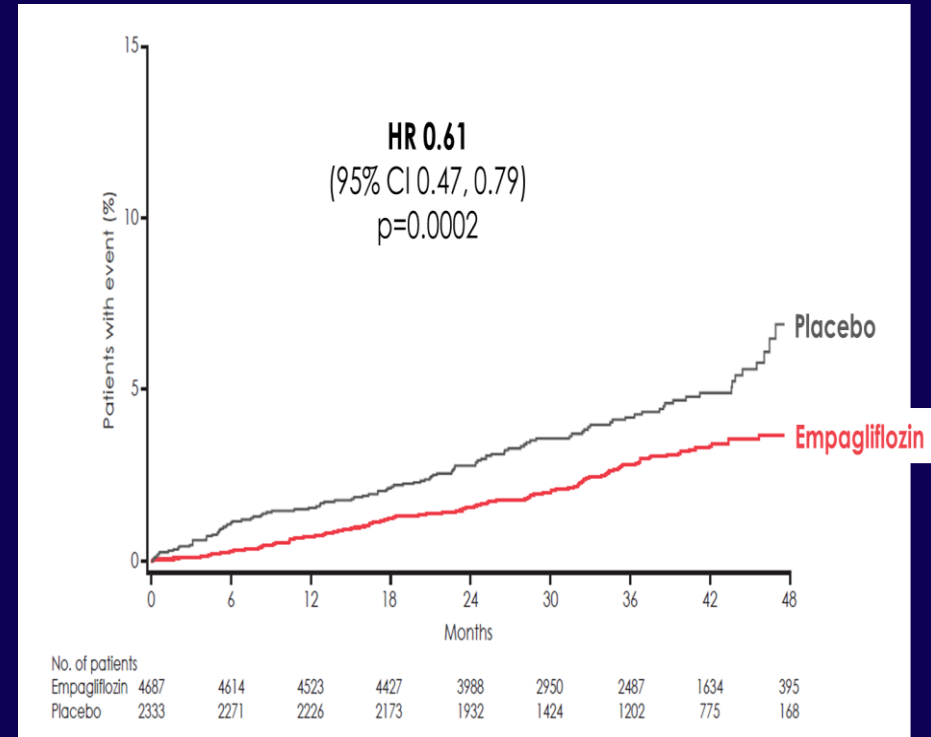
- Hospitalization for Heart Failure ↓ 35% (p=0.0017)
- Hospitalization for Heart Failure or CV Death ↓ 34% (p<0.0001)

# EMPA-REG OUTCOME Study

## HF Hospitalization or CV Death



## HF Hospitalization or HF Death

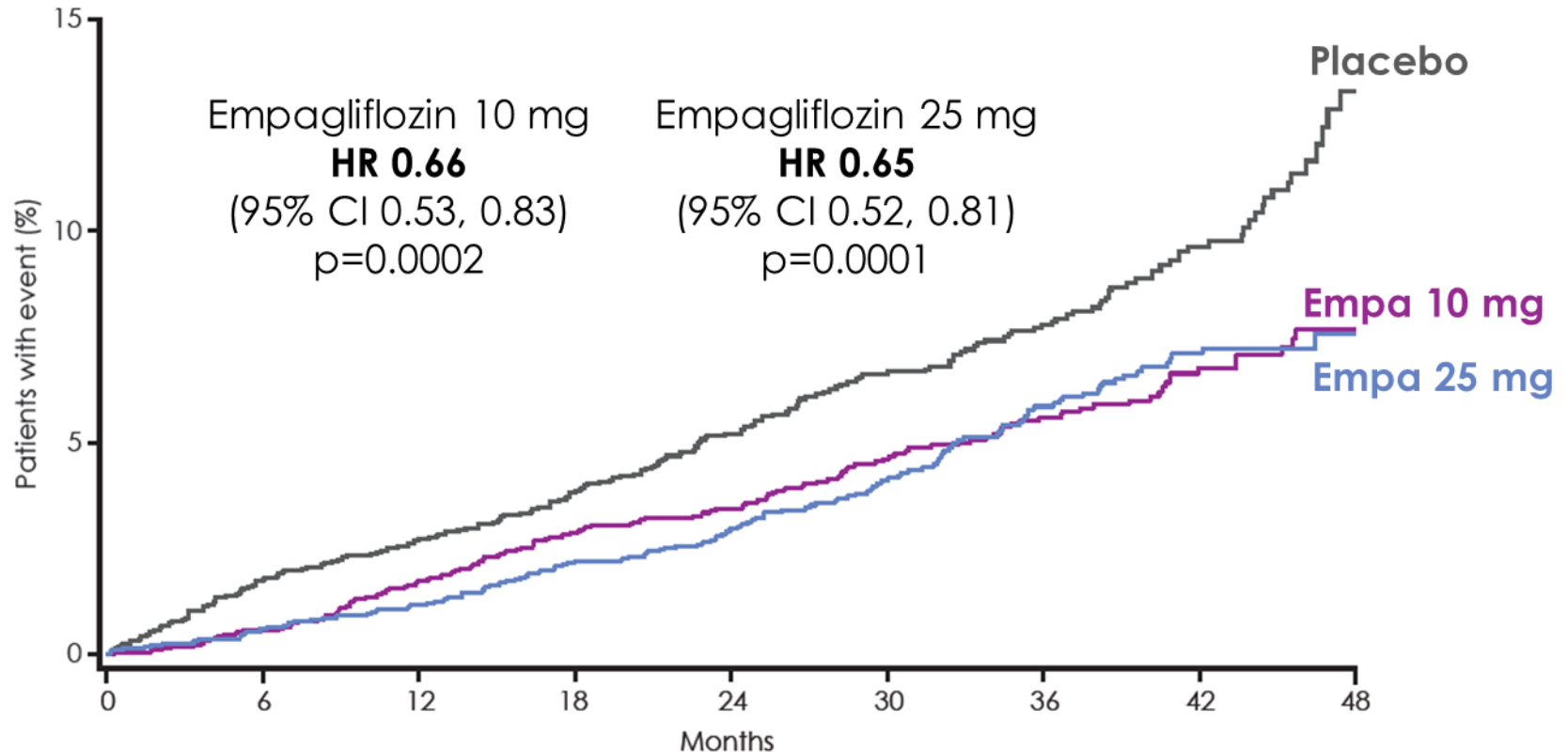


**Empagliflozin is a highly selective inhibitor of Sodium-Glucose Cotransporter-2**

**7020 adults with type 2 diabetes and established CVD**

**BMI ≤45 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; HbA1c 7–10%; eGFR ≥30 mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> (MDRD)**

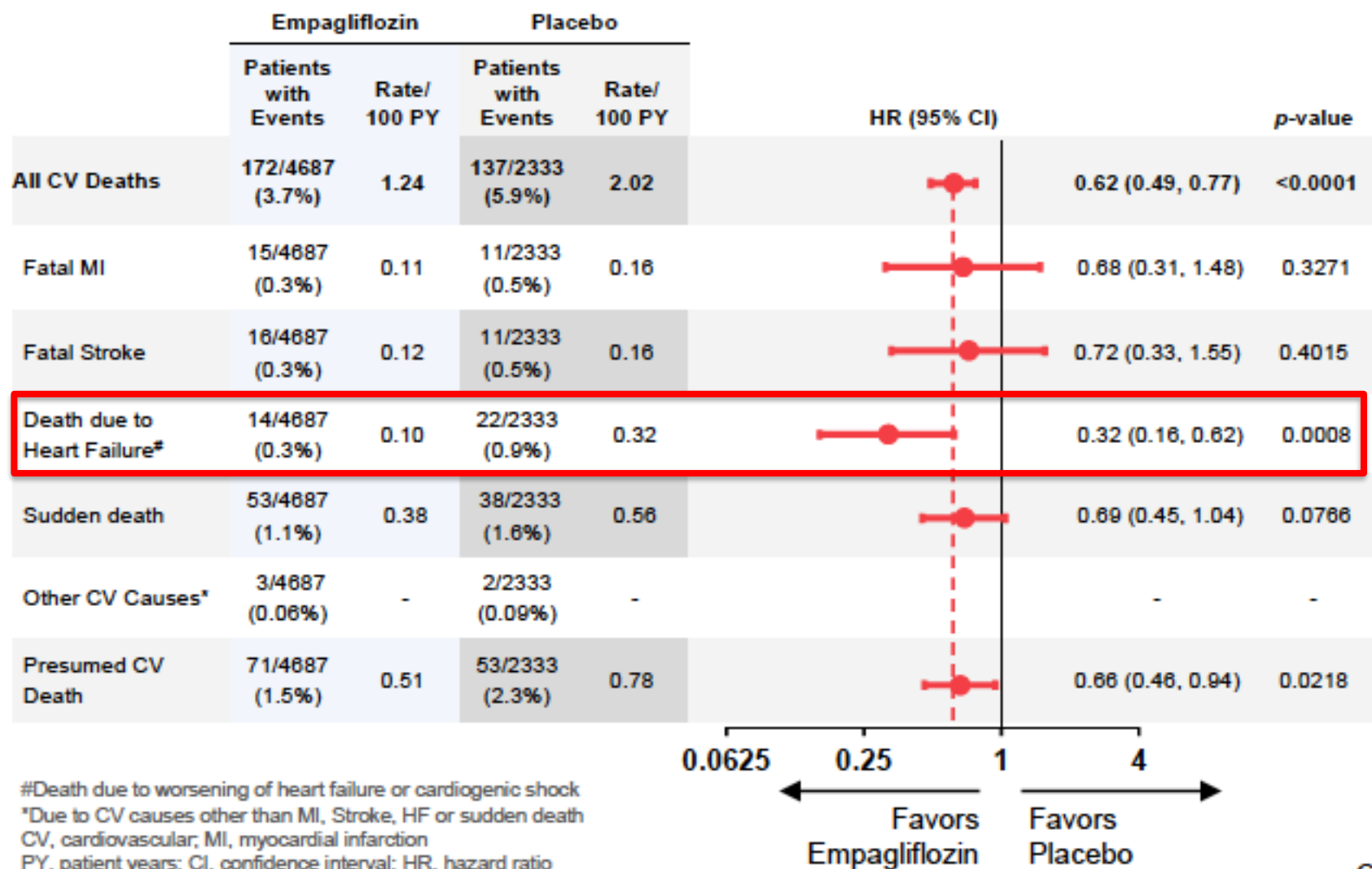
# Heart Failure Hospitalization or CV death



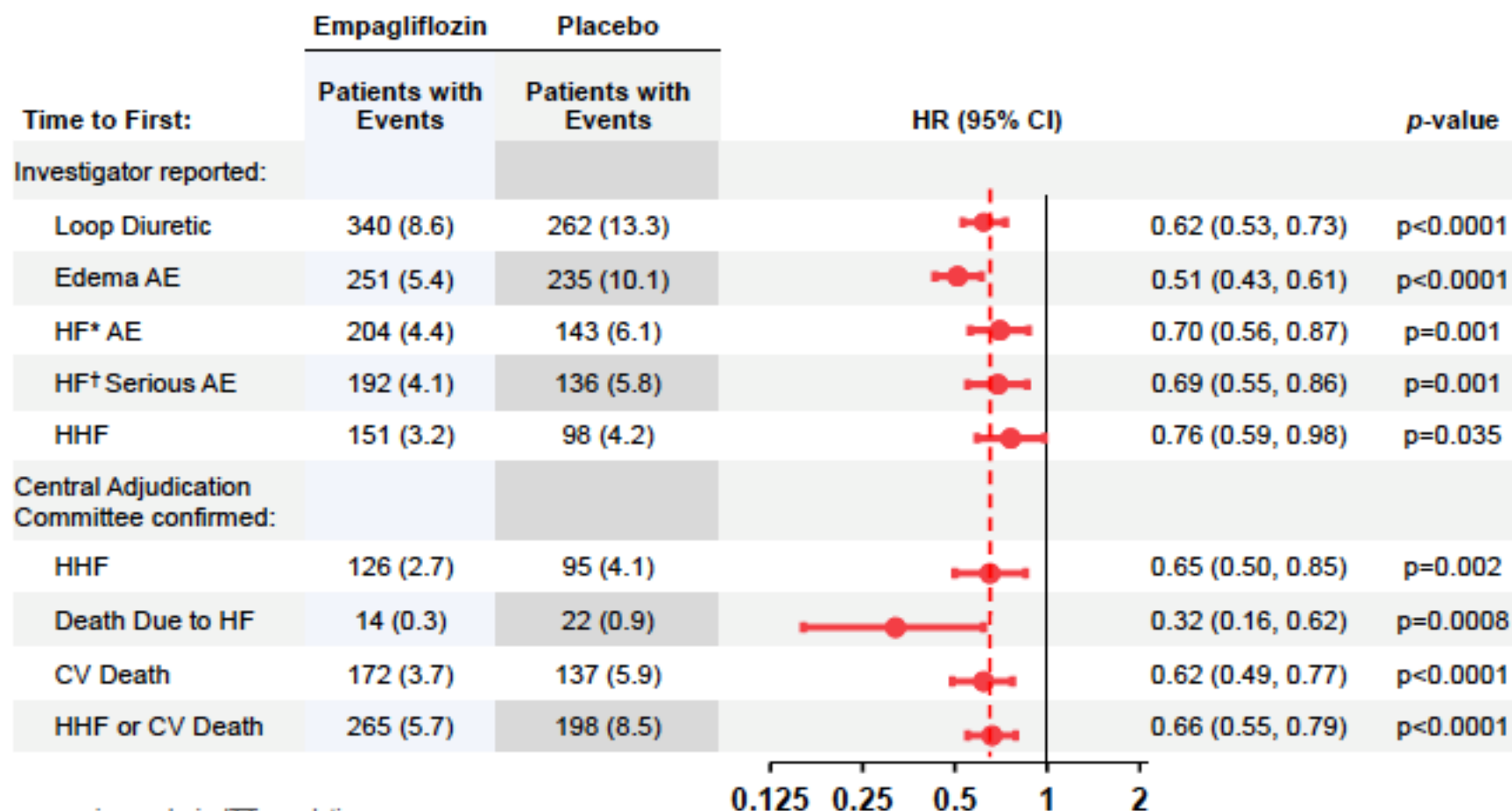
No. of patients	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48
Empagliflozin 10 mg	2345	2306	2256	2204	1981	1473	1240	804	188
Empagliflozin 25 mg	2342	2308	2267	2223	2007	1477	1247	830	207
Placebo	2333	2271	2226	2173	1932	1424	1202	775	168

Cumulative incidence function. CV, cardiovascular; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval.

# Modes of Cardiovascular Death



# Robustness of Heart Failure Results Across Multiple Outcomes



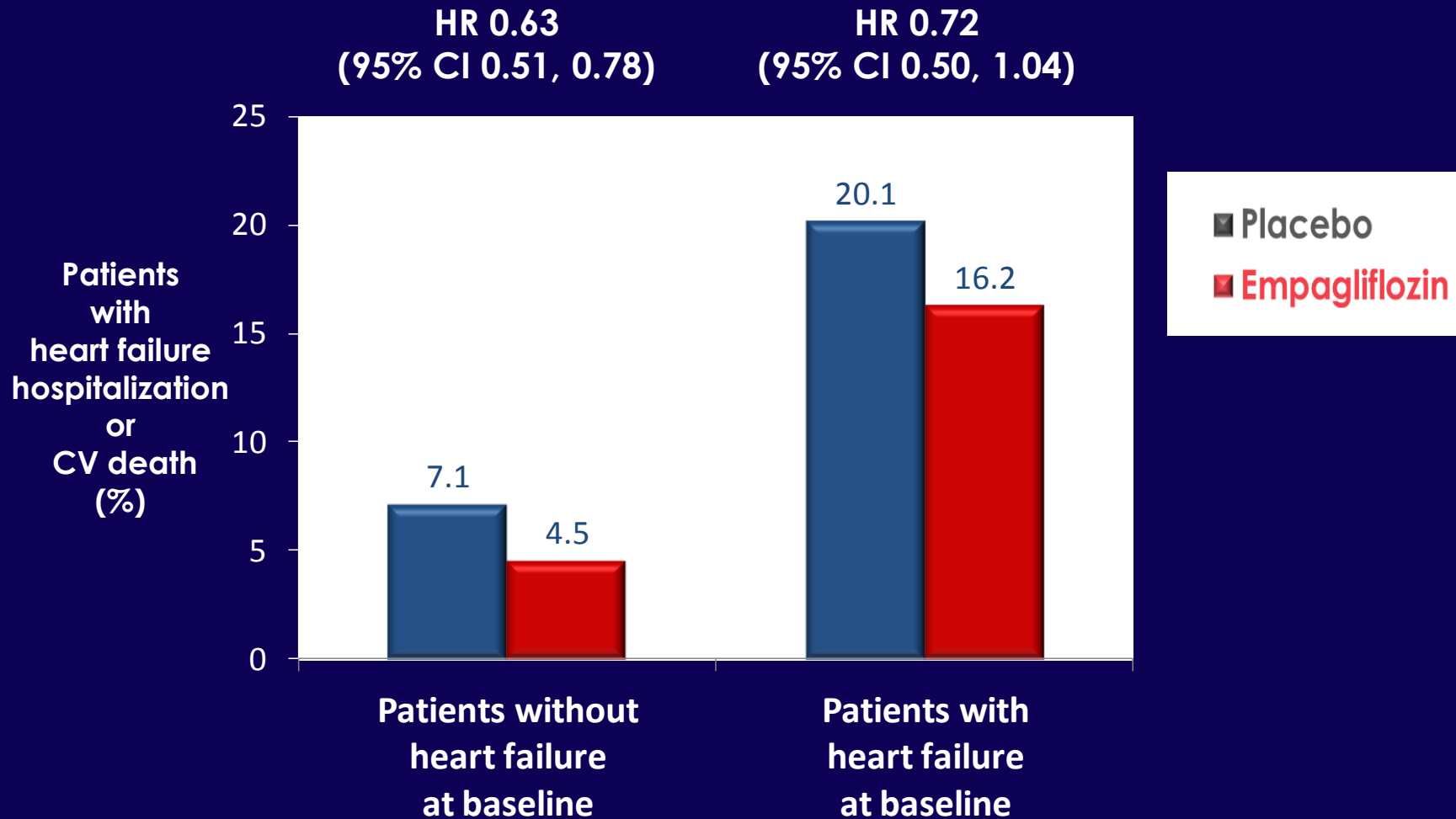
Cox regression analysis, ITT population.

HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval; AE, adverse event; HF, heart failure; HHF, hospitalization for HF; CV, cardiovascular; Death Due to HF, clinical event committee confirmed death due to worsening of HF or cardiogenic shock.

\*Based on narrow HF Standard MedRA query (SMQ) of adverse events.

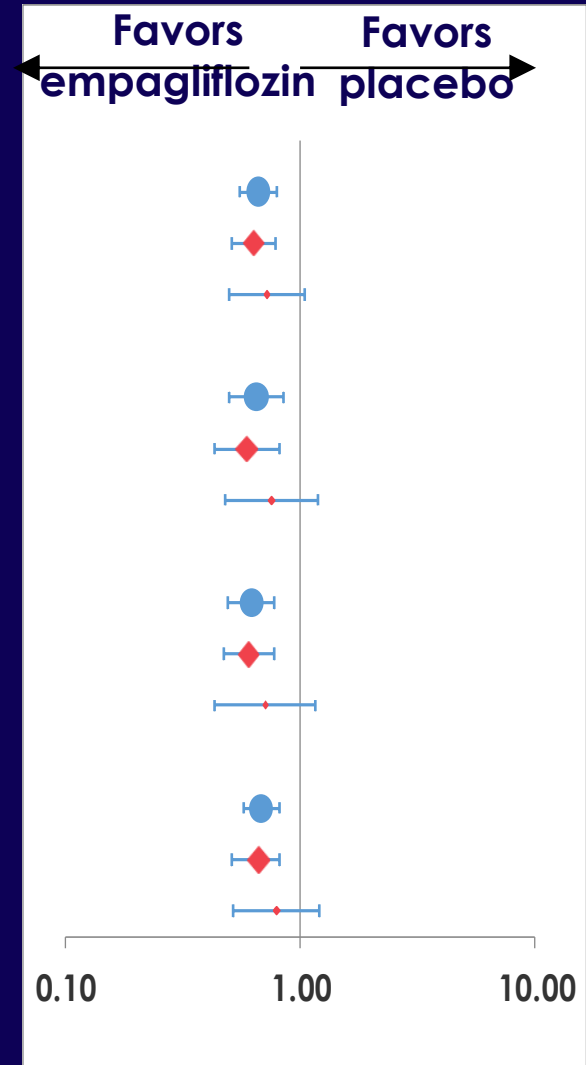
← Favors Empagliflozin | Favors Placebo →

# Heart Failure Hospitalization or CV Death in Patients with vs without HF at Baseline



# Outcomes in Patients with vs without Heart Failure at Baseline

	Patients with event/analyzed		HR	(95% CI)
	Empagliflozin	Placebo		
<b><u>HF hospitalization or CV death</u></b>				
<b>All patients</b>	265/4687	198/2333	<b>0.66</b>	(0.55, 0.79)
Baseline HF: <b>No</b>	190/4225	149/2089	<b>0.63</b>	(0.51, 0.78)
Baseline HF: <b>Yes</b>	75/462	49/244	<b>0.72</b>	(0.50, 1.04)
<b><u>Hospitalization for HF</u></b>				
<b>All patients</b>	126/4687	95/2333	<b>0.65</b>	(0.50, 0.85)
Baseline HF: <b>No</b>	78/4225	65/2089	<b>0.59</b>	(0.43, 0.82)
Baseline HF: <b>Yes</b>	48/462	30/244	<b>0.75</b>	(0.48, 1.19)
<b><u>CV death</u></b>				
<b>All patients</b>	172/4687	137/2333	<b>0.62</b>	(0.49, 0.77)
Baseline HF: <b>No</b>	134/4225	110/2089	<b>0.60</b>	(0.47, 0.77)
Baseline HF: <b>Yes</b>	38/462	27/244	<b>0.71</b>	(0.43, 1.16)
<b><u>All-cause mortality</u></b>				
<b>All patients</b>	269/4687	194/2333	<b>0.68</b>	(0.57, 0.82)
Baseline HF: <b>No</b>	213/4225	159/2089	<b>0.66</b>	(0.54, 0.81)
Baseline HF: <b>Yes</b>	56/462	35/244	<b>0.79</b>	(0.52, 1.20)



Cox regression analysis.



# SGLT2 Inhibitors

	Empagliflozin <sup>1</sup>	Dapagliflozin <sup>2</sup>	Canagliflozin <sup>3</sup>	
	Launch year	2014(EU/US)	2012 (EU) 2014 (US)	2013 (EU/US)
<b>MoA</b>	Molecular class	C-glycoside	C-glycoside	C-glycoside
	Metabolism	Dual renal and hepatic 50:50	Mainly hepatic 97:3	Mainly hepatic, no details reported
<b>Dosing</b>	Administration	Oral	Oral	Oral
	Regimen	Once daily	Once daily	Once daily
	Doses	10 mg and 25 mg	5 mg and 10 mg	100 mg and 300 mg



# Canagliflozin and Cardiovascular Events in Type 2 Diabetes: CANVAS

Subgroup	Canagliflozin <i>no. of participants per 1000 patient-yr</i>	Placebo	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P Value
All patients	26.9	31.5	0.86 (0.75–0.97)	0.60
Study				
CANVAS	26.9	30.4	0.88 (0.75–1.03)	
CANVAS-R	27.1	33.0	0.82 (0.66–1.01)	
History of heart failure				0.51
Yes	42.2	51.4	0.80 (0.61–1.05)	
No	24.8	28.3	0.87 (0.76–1.01)	

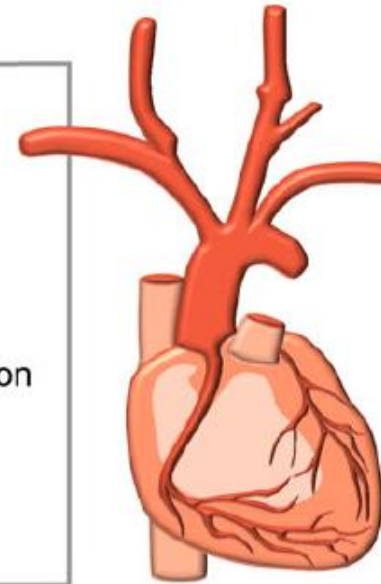


# Potential Mechanisms Involved in the Reduction of Cardiovascular Events



## Potential mechanisms

- blood pressure ↓
- body weight ↓
- arterial stiffness ↓
- cardiac function ↑
- cardiac oxygen demand ↓
- lack of sympathetic nerve activation
- sodium depletion
- oxidative stress ↓
- glucagon secretion ↑
- additional unknown mechanisms



SGLT2 inhibition  
(Empagliflozin)



**EMPA-REG OUTCOME**

Reduction of

- CV death
- overall mortality
- HF hospitalization

# CV Outcome Trials with SGLT2 Inhibitors

**Table 1** Cardiovascular outcome trials with sodium glucose cotransporter-2-inhibitors

Trial	EMPA-REG OUTCOME	CANVAS	DECLARE-TIMI 58	VERTIS
Clinicaltrials.gov	NCT01131676	NCT01032629	NCT01730534	NCT01986881
Intervention	Empagliflozin vs. Placebo (2:1)	Canagliflozin vs. Placebo (2:1)	Dapagliflozin vs. Placebo (1:1)	Ertugliflozin vs. Placebo (2:1)
Primary outcome measure	CV death, non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke	CV death, non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke	CV death, non-fatal MI, non-fatal ischaemic stroke	CV death, non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke
Patient number	7020	4417	17 276	3900
Patients	T2D; established CV disease	T2D; high CV risk	T2D; high CV risk	T2D; established CV disease
Follow-up (estimated)	3 years	6–7 years (estimated)	4–5 years (estimated)	5–7 years (estimated)
Reporting (estimated)	2015	2017 (estimated)	2019 (estimated)	2020 (estimated)

EMPA-REG OUTCOME, (Empagliflozin) Cardiovascular Outcome Event Trial in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Patients; CANVAS, CANagliflozin cardioVascular Assessment Study; DECLARE-TIMI 58, Dapagliflozin Effect on CardiovascuLAR Events-TIMI 58. VERTIS: Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Parallel Group Study to Assess Cardiovascular Outcomes Following Treatment With Ertugliflozin in Subjects With Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Established Vascular Disease.

T2D, type 2 diabetes mellitus; CV, cardiovascular.

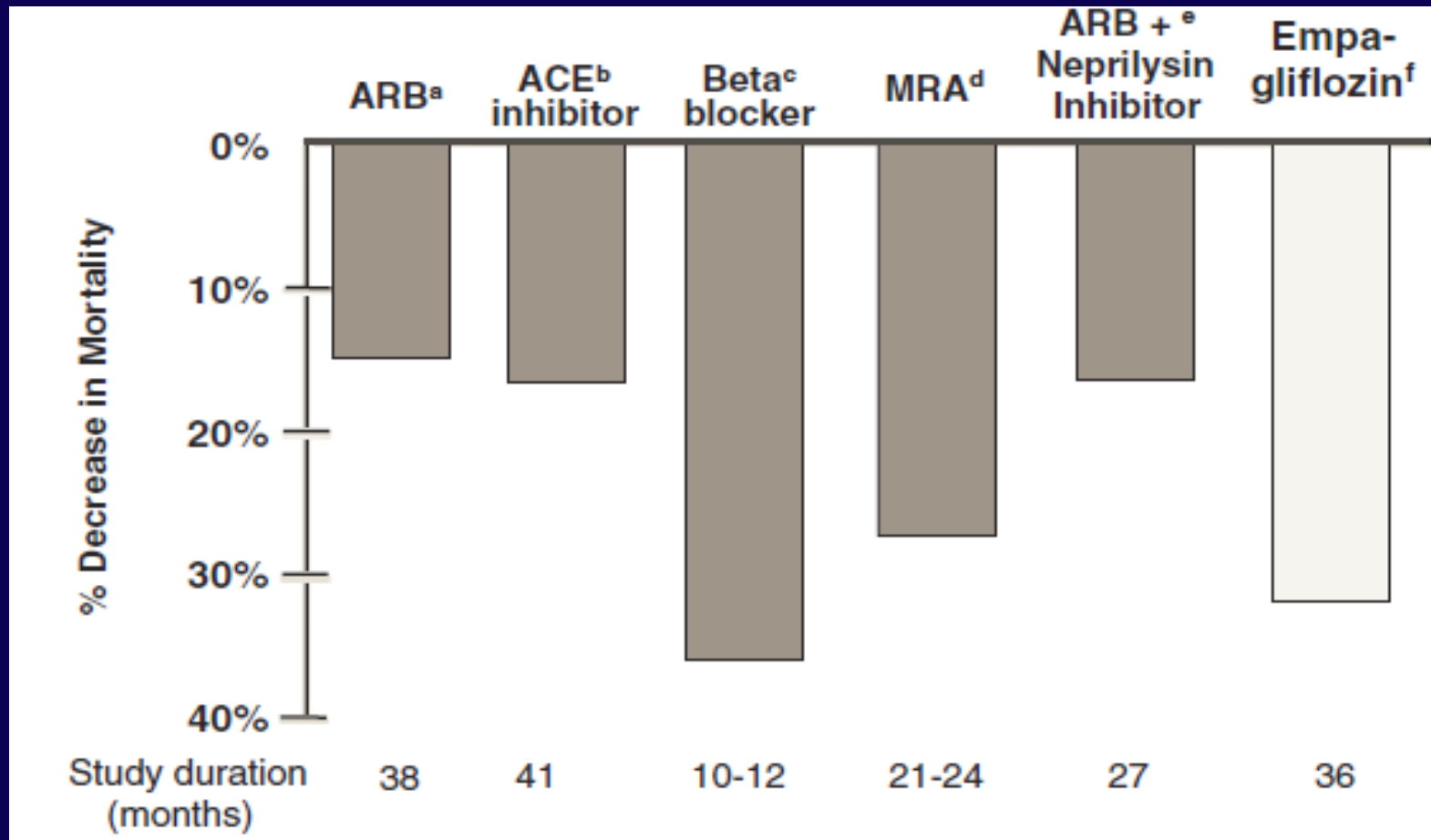
# Diabetes Medications, HF Outcomes, and Patterns of Care

- Antihyperglycemic therapies/strategies influence risk for heart failure
  - Increased risk:
    - Intensification of glucose control
    - Thiazolidinediones
    - Saxagliptin and alogliptin
  - Neutral risk:
    - Glargine insulin; sitagliptin; lixisenatide; liraglutide, semaglutide
  - Decreased risk:
    - Empagliflozin; perhaps metformin
- Effects on HF risk of selected therapies appear independent of glycemic effects
  - Empagliflozin (and potentially other SGLT2i's)

Antihyperglycemic Medication Use Patterns In HF

Variable	Overall
Therapy	
Metformin	17.0
Sulfonylurea	32.4
Meglitinide	3.7
DPP-4 inhibitor	5.1
Thiazolidinedione	6.6
Insulin	39.5
GLP-1 agonist	0.4
$\alpha$ -Glucosidase inhibitor	0.5
Amylin analog	0.1

# Comparison of Mortality Reduction in HF Trials with EMPA-REG Trial in Patients with Diabetes





# 2016 ESC Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Acute & Chronic HF

## Recommendations to prevent or delay the development of overt heart failure or prevent death before the onset of symptoms

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>	Ref <sup>c</sup>
Treatment of hypertension is recommended to prevent or delay the onset of HF and prolong life.	I	A	126, 129, 150, 151
Treatment with statins is recommended in patients with or at high-risk of CAD whether or not they have LV systolic dysfunction, in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF and prolong life.	I	A	137–140, 152
Counselling and treatment for smoking cessation and alcohol intake reduction is recommended for people who smoke or who consume excess alcohol in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF.	I	C	131–134
Treating other risk factors of HF (e.g. obesity, dysglycaemia) should be considered in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF.	IIa	C	130, 141, 153–155
Empagliflozin should be considered in patients with type 2 diabetes in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF and prolong life.	IIa	B	130
ACE-I is recommended in patients with asymptomatic LV systolic dysfunction and a history of myocardial infarction in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF and prolong life.	I	A	5, 144, 145
ACE-I is recommended in patients with asymptomatic LV systolic dysfunction without a history of myocardial infarction, in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF.	I	B	5
ACE-I should be considered in patients with stable CAD even if they do not have LV systolic dysfunction, in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF.	IIa	A	142
Beta-blocker is recommended in patients with asymptomatic LV systolic dysfunction and a history of myocardial infarction, in order to prevent or delay the onset of HF or prolong life.	I	B	146

# Conclusions: Diabetes and HF

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- The two diseases entities are highly co-prevalent
- Diabetes contributes to disease progression in HF and is associated with a worse prognosis
- Standard HF therapies (ARNI, ACEI, or ARB, BB, MRA, ICD/CRT) should be instituted in eligible HFrEF patients with diabetes
- More needs to be done to prevent HF in patients with diabetes

# Conclusions: Diabetes and HF

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- Until 2015, no known diabetes therapy demonstrated in RTCs to improve CV outcomes in general or for HF
- Most diabetes medications worsened outcomes in HF patients or at best were neutral
- EMPA-REG Outcome and CANVAS trial data
  - New option to reduce CV death and HF in patients with diabetes with and without HF
  - Compelling data
- Pharmacological glycemc management is an essential component of HF therapy
- It is critical for cardiologists and HF specialists to play an active role in this management as choice of therapy is key determinate of outcomes, including survival

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