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RESOURCES

- Interactive case studies
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- How to series
- Need to know series
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- Diabetes Distilled



Diabetes Distilled: Statin heart benefits outweigh diabetes risks

Quantifying the risk of worsening glycaemia, and how should healthcare professional... respond?

22 Apr 2024

Diabetes Distilled: Smoking cessation cuts excess mortality rates after as little as 3 years

The mortality benefits of smoking cessation may be greater and accrue more... rapidly than previously

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Diabetes Distilled: Fib-4 – A diagnostic and prognostic marker for liver and cardiovascular events and mortality

Should sequential Fib-4 testing now be made part of ongoing care in people with obesity... and/or type 2 diabetes?

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Diabetes Distilled: Type 2 diabetes remission associated with renal and cardiovascular benefits

33–55% lower rates of CKD and 40–49% lower rates of CVD observed in Look AHEAD... participants who achieved

6 Mar 2024

Diabetes Distilled: Reaching a XENITH in cardiorenal protection

Phase 2b study demonstrates significant reductions in uACR with developmental drug... zibotentan plus dapagliflozin,

10 Jan 2024

Diabetes Distilled: MACE risk higher in newly diagnosed type 2 diabetes treated with lifestyle alone

Foregoing therapies to reduce glucose, lipids and BP immediately after diagnosis... increases MACE risk even if

10 Jan 2024

Diabetes Distilled: Metformin does not increase risk of GI side effects during GLP-1 RA initiation and titration

No benefit to pausing metformin therapy during GLP-1 RA initiation.

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Diabetes Distilled: Calcium supplementation in people with diabetes – is caution needed?

Increased cardiovascular risk observed in people with diabetes taking regular calci... supplements.

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Diabetes Distilled: Physical activity – how much is needed to optimise glycaemic control?

Do people with type 2 diabetes need more physical activity than is recommended for the... general population?

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Diabetes Distilled: DELIVERing reassurance that early eGFR reductions with SGLT2 inhibitors should not prompt drug discontinuation

Initial eGFR reductions of >10% when starting SGLT2 inhibitors are not associated with advers... cardiovascular or renal

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Diabetes Distilled: “Twincretin” tirzepatide significantly SURPASSES comparator effects on glucose, weight and quality of life

Will this highly effective new agent change current treatment guidelines, especial... with regard to glycaemic and

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What's new in lifestyle

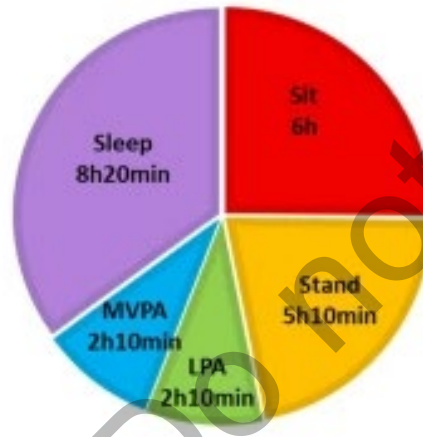
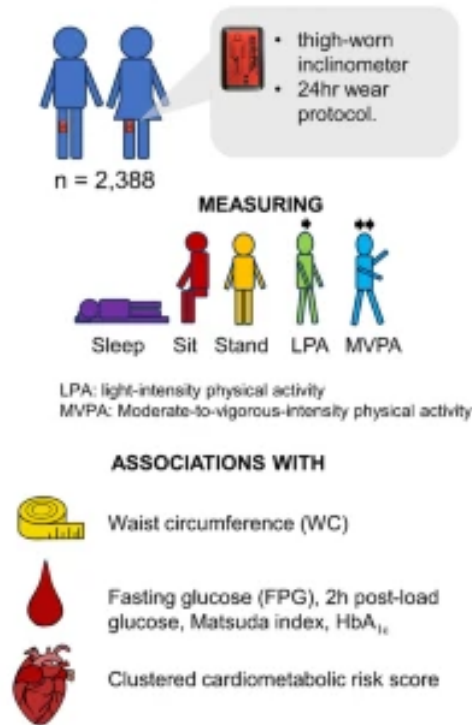
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What is the perfect activity mix for cardiometabolic risk?

The Maastricht Study

Associations of 24hr sitting, standing, physical activity, and sleeping time-use compositions with optimal cardiometabolic risk and glycaemic control: The Maastricht Study

COHORT AND MEASURES → IDENTIFYING OPTIMAL ASSOCIATIONS → OPTIMAL 24HR TIME USE



Optimal levels (range):
Sit – 6h (5h40min – 7h10min)
Stand – 5h10min (4h10min – 6h10min)
LPA – 2h10min (2h – 2h20min)
MVPA – 2h10min (1h40min – 2h20min)
Sleep – 8h20min (7h30min – 9h)

No surprises but clarifies goals to share:

- ✓ Sleep 7.5 - 9 hrs
- ✓ Sit 6 -7hrs
- ✓ Stand 4 - 6 hrs
- ✓ Light activity 2-2.5hrs
- ✓ Moderate to vigorous activity 1.5-2.5hrs
- ✓ Even small changes will help

Start discussions. Many people have wearable technology – let's help them use it to gather baseline data and make changes to optimise cardiometabolic risk

Brakenridge, C.J., Koster, A., de Galan, B.E. *et al.* Associations of 24 h time-use compositions of sitting, standing, physical activity and sleeping with optimal cardiometabolic risk and glycaemic control: The Maastricht Study. *Diabetologia* (2024).

[Open access.](#)

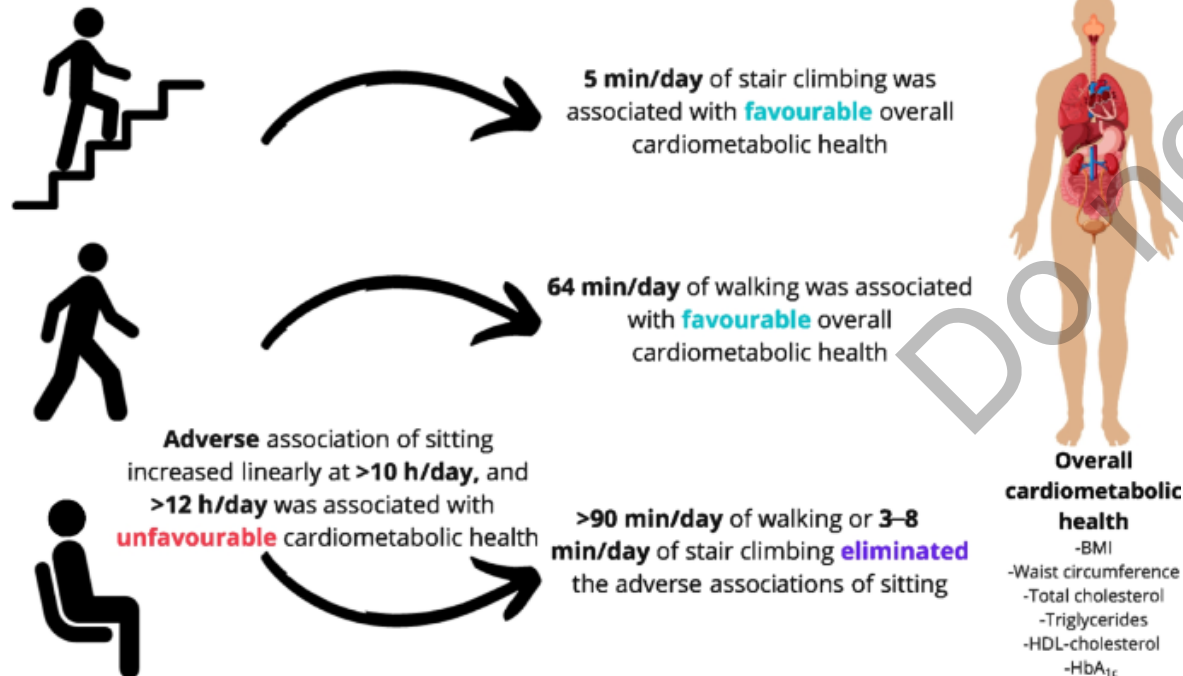
How much sitting is bad and how can we counteract it?

Diabetologia (2024) 67:1051–1065
https://doi.org/10.1007/s00125-024-06090-y

Ahmadi et al

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Relationship of device-measured physical activity type and posture with cardiometabolic health markers: pooled dose–response associations from the Prospective Physical Activity, Sitting and Sleep Consortium



Prospective Physical Activity, Sitting and Sleep (ProPASS) consortium:
6 cohorts including British Cohort Study and Maastricht n= 15,168

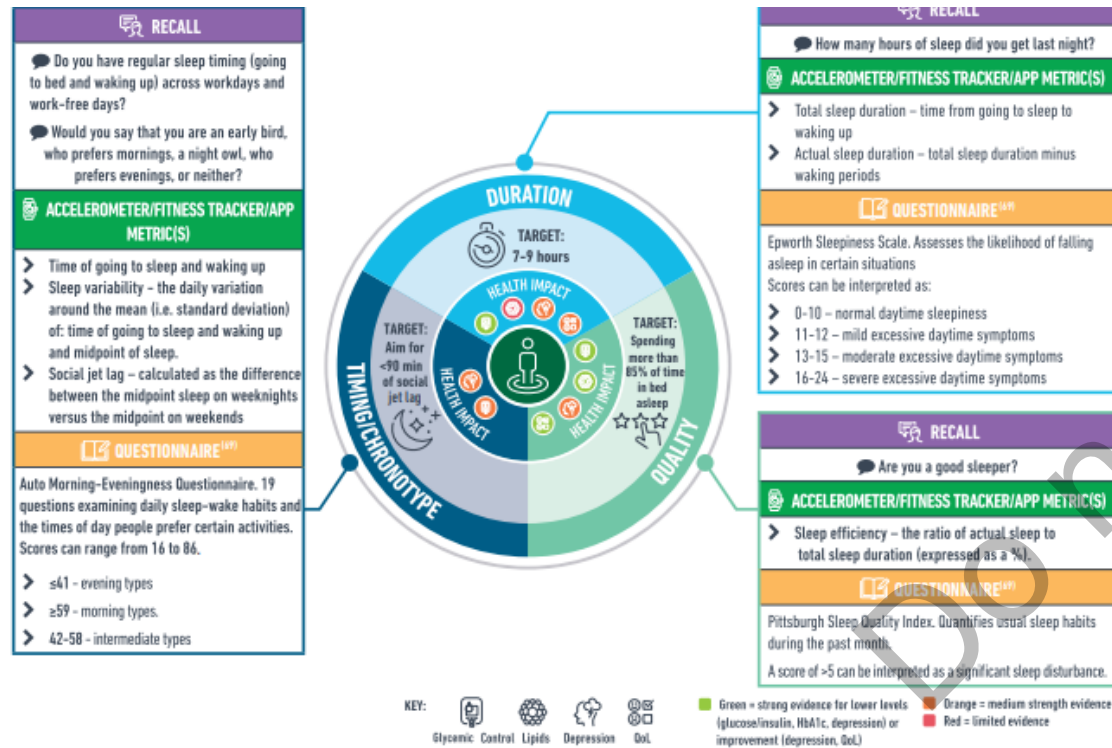
- ✓ People are busy – accessible/achievable PA useful
- ✓ 5 min+ stair climbing beneficial – 350 steps, 70 steps/min
- ✓ Each additional minute to 12 mins, similar rate improvement to running same duration
- ✓ 13:1 minute/day ratio walking to stair-climbing
- ✓ 7-15:1 ratio moderate intensity (walking) activity to high intensity
- ✓ Women greater protection than men

Real world data to share to help shape lifestyle guidance and recommendations

Waking Up to the Importance of Sleep in Type 2 Diabetes Management: A Narrative Review

Joseph Henson, Alix Covenant, Andrew P. Hall, Louisa Herring, Alex V. Rowlands, Thomas Yates, and Melanie J. Davies

Diabetes Care 2024;47(3):331–343 | <https://doi.org/10.2337/dci23-0037>



- ✓ Monitoring technology common
- ✓ Help people understand sleep quantity/quality/timing impact
- ✓ Simple questions:
 - ✓ How many hrs/night?
 - ✓ Regular sleep timing?
 - ✓ Are you a good sleeper?
- ✓ Clear goals:
 - ✓ 7-9hrs
 - ✓ <90 minutes social jetlag
 - ✓ 85% time in bed asleep
- ✓ Treat sleep disrupters if possible
- ✓ Refer for OSA evaluation

Sleep: a neglected public health issue *Lancet Diab Endocr* May 2024

Habitual short sleep duration, diet and development T2DM in adults Noga et al *JAMA Network Open* 2024; 7(3)

Ask about sleep, encourage to avoid social jetlag, help minimise sleep disrupters, identify OSA

Plant-Based Diets and Diabetes Risk: Which Foods, What Mechanisms?

Dariusz Mozaffarian

Food additive emulsifiers and the risk of type 2 diabetes: analysis of data from the NutriNet-Santé prospective cohort study

Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol
2024; 12: 339-49

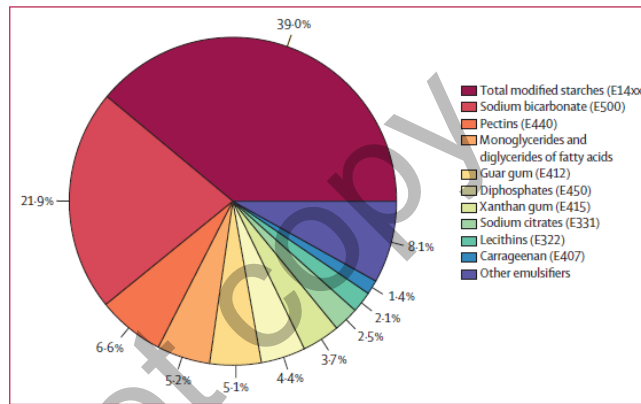
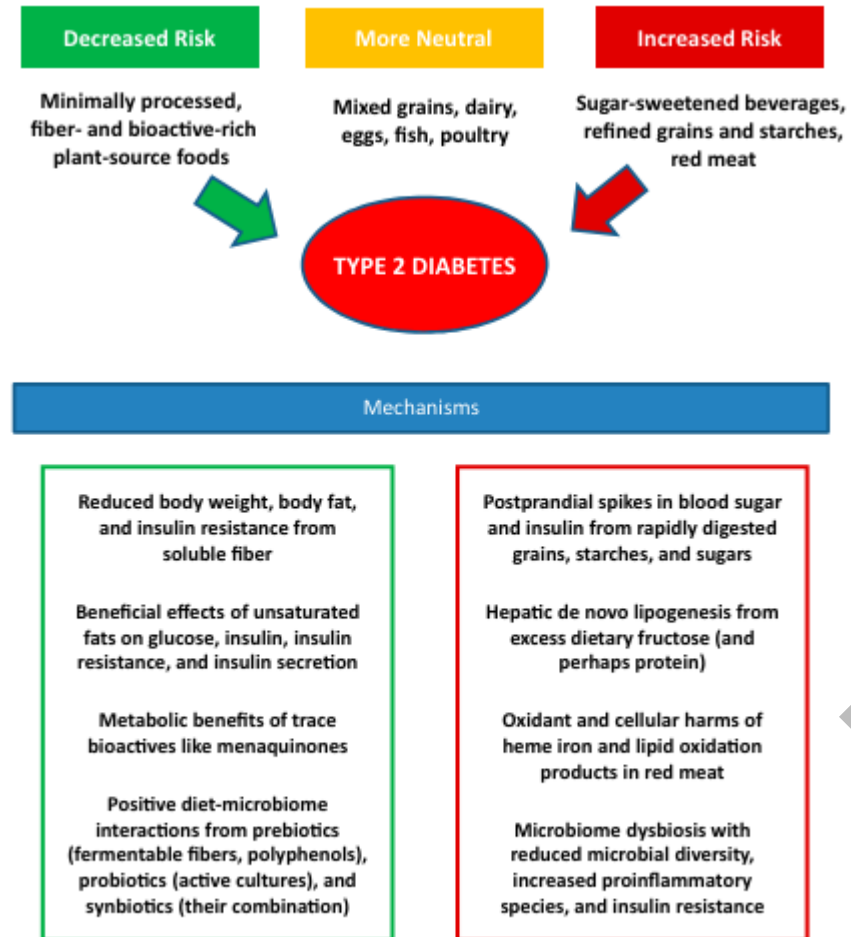


Figure 2: Contribution of individual emulsifiers to total emulsifier intakes (%) among study participants from the NutriNet-Santé cohort, 2009-23 (n=104139)

- ✓ Population cohort, N= 104,139, 80% female; 2009-2023
- ✓ Increased risk Carrageenan gum E407, Sodium citrate E331, Guar gum E412, Xanthan gum E415, E340, E414, E472e
- ✓ Quantified increased risk per cumulative intake
- ✓ Mainly UPF fruits and veg, cakes and biscuits, dairy products
- ✓ Gut microbial dysbiosis, inflammation, metabolic dysregulation

✓ Artificial sweeteners and T2DM

Diabetes Care 2023;46(9):1681-1690 | <https://doi.org/10.2337/dc23-0206>

Recommend simple changes most likely to make a difference – ‘eat more plants and fibre’, ‘decrease ultra-processed food’, ‘artificial sweeteners short term only’

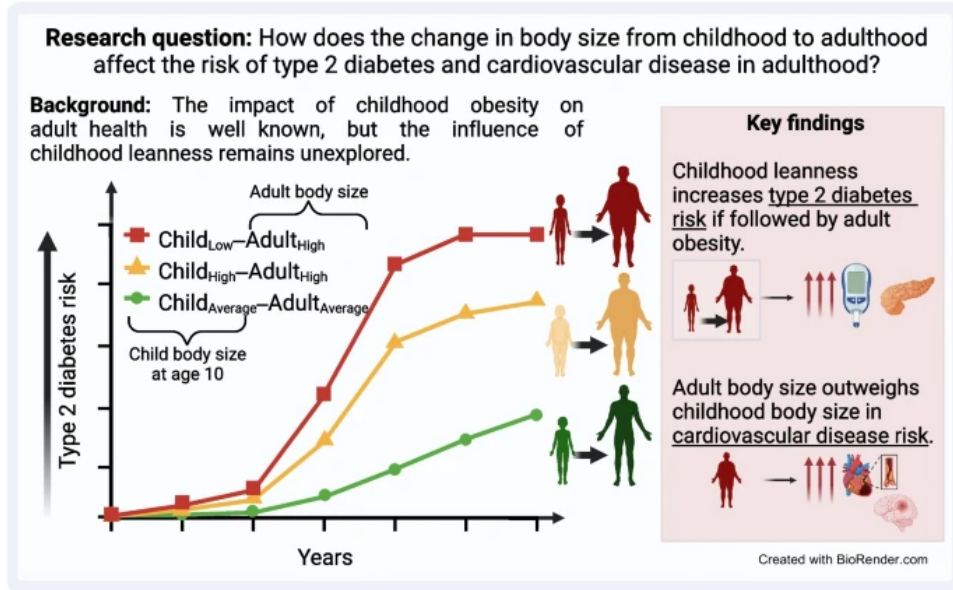
Figure 1—Diet patterns and type 2 diabetes risk.
Diabetes Care 2024;47:787-789 | <https://doi.org/10.2337/dci24-0011>

What's new in weight

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Child to adult body size change and T2DM risk

Carrasquilla et al Diabetologia 2024



Previous focus on obesity in children and adult risk T2DM

- ✓ UK Biobank 364,695 participants median follow up 12.8 yrs
- ✓ Self-reported size age 10 – ‘thinner’, ‘average’ or ‘plumper’
- ✓ Similar sized adult groups – adult BMI means 35.3, 27.6, 22.8
- ✓ Highest T2DM risk if low child size and high adult size (HR4.73 compared to average/average group) - Women same as men
- ✓ Low childhood size - higher T2DM risk at each adult size

Low birthweight and overweight during childhood and young adulthood and the risk of type 2 diabetes in men: a population-based cohort study Celind et al Diabetologia 2024

BEST cohort study Gothenberg – males

- ✓ Birthweight ($\leq 2.5\text{kg}$) and BMI >25 aged 20yrs:
 - ✓ risk early T2DM $\leq 59.4\text{yrs}$ 10 times higher v those normal birth and age 20 weights
 - ✓ 27% absolute risk T2DM $\leq 59.4\text{yrs}$ v 6% risk normal birth and aged 20 weight

Do we record birth weights? Are we aware of children with low body size? Do we weigh young adults or identify weight gain?

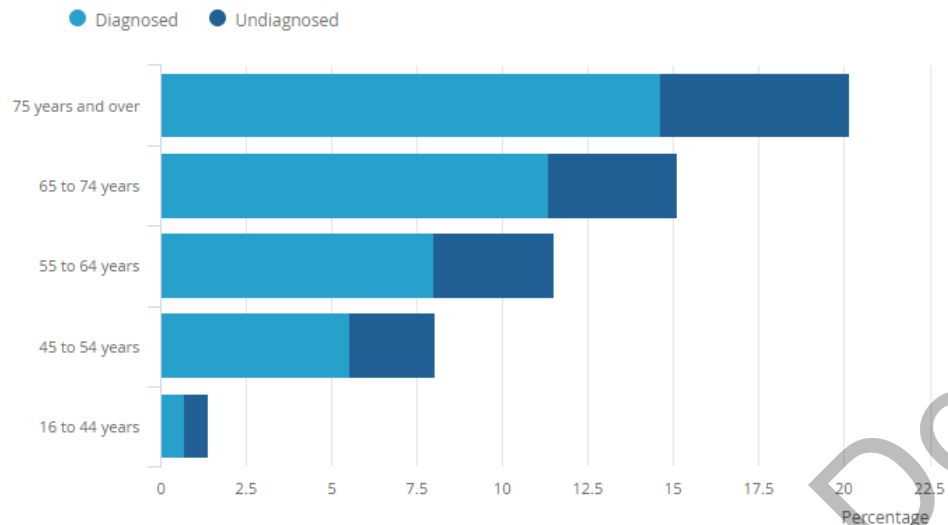
What's new in management?

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Undiagnosed T2DM – a significant risk factor

Figure 1: Older adults had higher prevalence of type 2 diabetes, but younger adults were more likely to be undiagnosed if they did have type 2 diabetes

Percentage of adults with type 2 diabetes by age group, 2013 to 2019, England



Source: Health Survey for England (HSE) from NHS Digital

Cholesterol Treatment Trialists' Collaboration (2024). "Effects of statin therapy on diagnoses of new-onset diabetes and worsening glycaemia in large-scale randomised blinded statin trials: an individual participant data meta-analysis." [Lancet Diab and Endocr.](#)

Analysis reveals extent of undiagnosed type 2 diabetes

3 Apr 2024

- ✓ 50% of those with T2DM aged 16-44 years undiagnosed v 27% of those over 75 years
- ✓ Black and Asian pre-diabetes/NDH 22%
- ✓ Wales highest rate of diabetes in UK – 8% adults
- ✓ 200,000 cases with diabetes with 65,000 cases T2DM undiagnosed
- ✓ Cholesterol Treatment Trialists Collaboration study demonstrated 24% proportional increase glycaemia with high intensity statin therapy/small increased T2DM risk

How can we find people with undiagnosed T2DM and non-diabetic hyperglycaemia?
Has everyone on a statin had an HbA1c?

Non-adherence to cardiometabolic medication as assessed by LC-MS/MS in urine and its association with kidney and cardiovascular outcomes in type 2 diabetes mellitus

Denicolo et al 2024 Diabetologia

PROVALID study – n=1125

- ✓ Baseline urine samples for 79 cardiometabolic drugs
- ✓ CV endpoint 3 point MACE
- ✓ Kidney endpoint: eGFR decline, albuminuria progression, ESKD, kidney death
- ✓ GLP-1 RA not detectable - cleaved; no one on SGLT2i

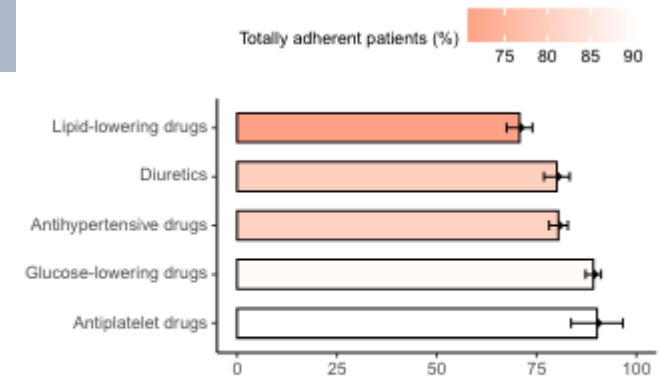
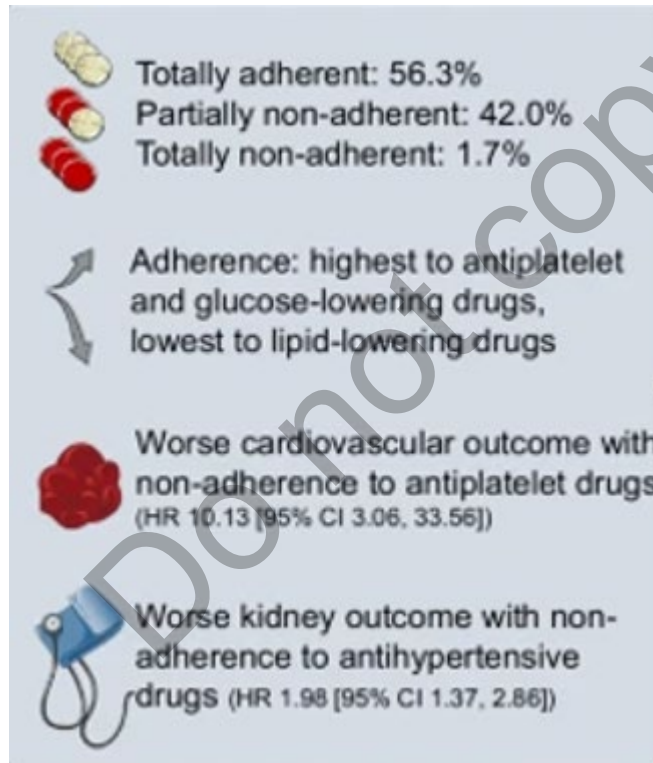
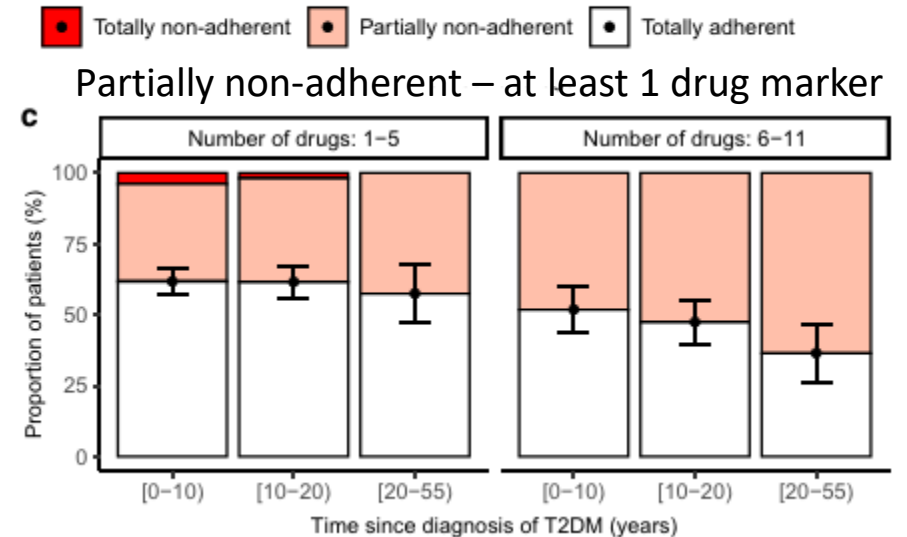


Fig. 2 Adherence by drug class. Adherence was found to be highest to antiplatelet and glucose-lowering drugs and lowest to lipid-lowering drugs. Bars represent sample averages and whiskers 95% CIs



Non-adherence difficult to evaluate from prescribing records;
 most people happy to share if we ask

Continuous glucose monitoring for the routine care of type 2 diabetes mellitus

Ajjan R et al

nature reviews endocrinology

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41574-024-00973-1>

Table 2 | Proposed use of CGM throughout the natural history of T2DM

Group	At diagnosis and early disease	Management of stable disease	Long duration of disease*
All people with T2DM	Utilize CGM for 14 days after T2DM diagnosis Establish a baseline glucometric profile Provide education on the glycaemic response to diet and exercise in T2DM Decide on the initial treatment plan and therapy Evaluate the patient's early (14-day) response to T2DM treatment	Predict risk of microvascular complications Adjust therapy Manage glycaemic goals for time in range, time below range, time above range, glycaemic variability and glucose management indicator (CGM-defined HbA _{1c} correlate)	Facilitate T2DM therapy de-escalation in older and/or frail people with T2DM Prevent hypoglycaemia Reduce risk of cardiorenal complications (for example, chronic kidney disease) Reduce incidence and progression of microvascular disease Allow care workers to more effectively manage the care of people with T2DM
People with T2DM on: Multiple daily injections Basal insulin Premixed insulin Insulinotropic drugs ^b	Continuous access to CGM for daily use		
	Prevent hypoglycaemia Manage hyperglycaemia Support self-management	Prevention of hypoglycaemia Manage hyperglycaemia Facilitate periods of therapy escalation or de-escalation Support self-management	
People with T2DM on non-insulin therapy ^c	Intermittent use of CGM at least every 3 months, with HCP review		
	Reinforce education on glucose profiles, diet, physical activity and the effects of medication	Can be combined with a coincident HbA _{1c} test HCP can make decisions on whether to change therapy or not Predict changes in risk of microvascular complications People with T2DM can re-establish the behaviours of good self-management with support from CGM	

CGM, continuous glucose monitoring; HCP, health-care professional; T2DM, type 2 diabetes mellitus. *People with long-standing T2DM, with risk of consequent comorbid microvascular and macrovascular disease. ^bPeople with T2DM at increased risk of frequent hypoglycaemia confirmed during a CGM-led medical review. ^cCan include people on insulinotropic oral drugs with low risk of hypoglycaemia confirmed during a CGM-led medical review.

Not on insulin

- ✓ At diagnosis and early disease
 - ✓ Impact of diet and PA, early Rx
- ✓ Management stable disease
 - ✓ Adjust therapy, assess variability
- ✓ Long duration disease
 - ✓ De-escalation therapies
 - ✓ Prevent hypos
 - ✓ Reduce microvascular disease
 - ✓ Empower carers/care workers
- ✓ Intermittent every 3 months
 - ✓ HCP therapy review



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Health Technology Wales

HEALTH TECHNOLOGY WALES (HTW) GUIDANCE 004-2
(July 2021)

HTW Guidance:

The evidence supports the routine adoption of FreeStyle Libre flash glucose monitoring to guide blood glucose regulation in people with diabetes who require treatment with insulin.

The use of FreeStyle Libre flash glucose monitoring in these people improves the proportion of time that the blood glucose is in target range and reduces time in hypo and hyperglycaemia.



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sensor sample

Get first-hand experience of how the
FreeStyle Libre 2 system works

How should we choose between SGLT2i and GLP-1RA?

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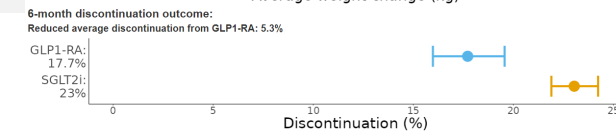
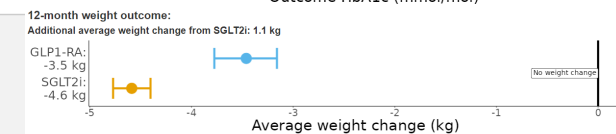
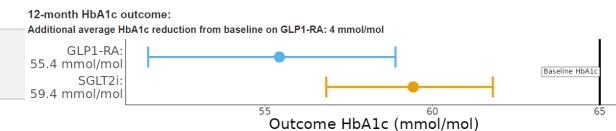
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Phenotype-based targeted treatment of SGLT2 inhibitors and GLP-1 receptor agonists in type 2 diabetes

- ✓ HF, CKD/DKD – SGLT2i
- ✓ ASCVD/high risk ASCVD – GLP-1RA or SGLT2i
- None of these conditions?
- ✓ Precision medicine approach - predict differential glucose-lowering, microvascular complications, weight loss
- ✓ Predictive algorithm developed/validated using UK Clinical Practice Research Datalink; external validation SCI-Diabetes Tayside and Fife
- ✓ Glycaemic control: Mean ↓ SGLT2i = GLP-1RA
- ✓ GLP-1RA better in females, older, lower baseline eGFR and BMI
- ✓ SGLT2i better in 32% HbA1c <64 mmol/mol and 67% HbA1c >86mmol/mol; higher number of Rx

Sex	Female	Baseline HbA1c (mmol / mol)	65
Age (years)	65	ALT (U / L)	35
T2D duration (years)	8	eGFR (ml / min / 1.73 m ²) *	90
BMI (kg / m ²)	40	Serum creatinine (μmol / L) [optional] *	
Cardiovascular conditions:		Microvascular complications:	
Peripheral arterial disease	No	Neuropathy	No
Heart failure	No	Retinopathy	No
Ischaemic heart disease	No		



https://pm-cardoso.shinyapps.io/SGLT2_GLP1_calculator/

Prototype treatment selection calculator in development

What's new in CKD?

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KDPredict – predicting kidney failure and death in moderate/severe CKD

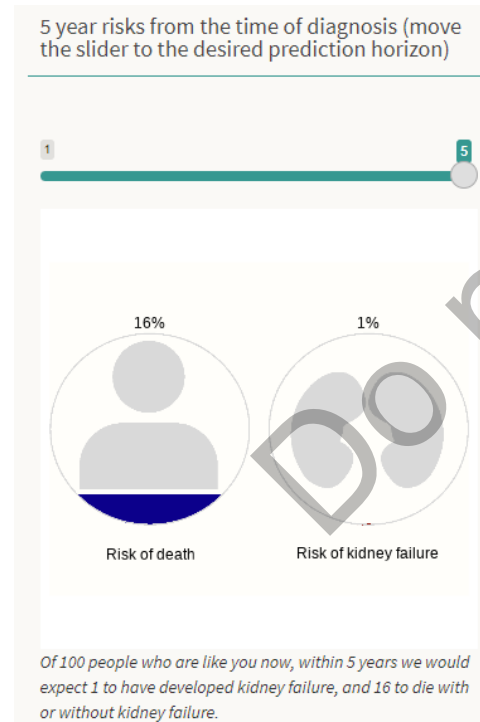
Developed with Machine Learning

Liu et al [Cite this as: BMJ 2024;385:e078063](https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj-2024-078063)

- ✓ Developed using Canadian, Danish and Scottish data
- ✓ More accurate 1 to 5 year renal failure risk than current KFRE + predicts 1 to 5 year all cause mortality risk
- ✓ 4 and 6 variable scores similar for renal failure risk, 6 variable more accurate for mortality

<http://kdpredict.com>

Age in years: 75
Sex at birth: Female
CKD-EPI eGFR formula: 2009, 2021
eGFR (mL/min/1.73m²): 44
Measure of proteinuria: ACR, PCR, Dipstick
Units: mg/g, mg/mmol
ACR (mg/mmol): 3
Model: 4 variables, 6 variables
Diabetes:
Cardiovascular disease:



- ✓ Older population (77-80 yrs) v 69-70 yrs
- ✓ eGFR 15-44 (CKD 3b-4) v eGFR <59 (CKD 3a)
- ✓ May make it less clear who to refer
- ✓ Competing mortality risk may help decision-making
- ✓ In an environment where sharing the diagnosis is not universal, will this make it even harder?

THE KIDNEY FAILURE RISK EQUATION

Age (Yrs):
Sex: Select
Region: Select
GFR (ML/Min/1.73M²): ?
Urine Albumin: Creatinine Ratio: ?
Units: mg/mmol

NICE recommends 5% 5yr risk threshold for referral using KFRE

Are we using a kidney failure risk equation to assist in referral decisions?

5 FINGER PROMPT FOR CKD MANAGEMENT

Code, calculate risk, share the diagnosis, involve in decisions, refer if appropriate

Adapted from an unknown original source



Slow CKD progression/
monitor: smoking, BP, glycaemia, ACEI/ARB

Optimise CVD risk: smoking, BP, lipids, glycaemia

SGLT2 inhibitor (+/-semaglutide)



+/- finerenone if eGFR ≥ 25 , ACR $\geq 3\text{mg}/\text{mmol}$

Screen, diagnose early, code; refer appropriately

What's new in guidelines?

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Cardiovascular disease:
risk assessment and
reduction, including lipid
modification NG238

NICE guideline
Published: 14 December 2023

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng238

December 2023 update

Summary of National Guidance for Lipid Management for Primary and Secondary Prevention of CVD

Authors: Dr Rani Khatib & Dr Dermot Neely on behalf of the AAC Clinical Subgroup.
Updated by NHSE Cholesterol Expert Advisory Group.
March 2024. Review date: March 2026.

*"This summary accurately reflects NICE guidance and
JBS3 recommendations", NICE March 2024*

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Welcome to the QRISK[®]3-2018 risk calculator <https://qrisk.org>



Welcome to QRISK[®]3-lifetime cardiovascular risk calculator: <https://qrisk.org/lifetime>

Optimise statin use/targets; find those defaulted; increase use other lipid lowering drugs



The 2024 ADA Standards of Care:

What's new?

- ✓ Language changes – ‘person first’, empowering
- ✓ Screening recommendations - second generation anti-psychotic drugs, asymptomatic HF, peripheral arterial disease, psychosocial screening protocols, those at high risk of T1DM for treatment to delay onset
- ✓ Increased focus on bone health, fracture risk, liver disease
- ✓ CGM metrics added to glycaemic goals
- ✓ Focus on treatment deintensification and hypoglycaemia
- ✓ Focus on weight management – lifestyle, drugs, surgery – importance of weight maintenance programmes
- ✓ Early combination drug therapy to achieve goals for weight and glycaemic control in T2DM
- ✓ GIP/GLP-1 RAs as options alongside GLP-1RAs; insulin at any stage but alter other drugs to avoid hypos
- ✓ New statin intolerance section, bempedoic acid, PCSK9 inhibitors and inclisiran
- ✓ Stronger ACEI/ARB recommendations
- ✓ Older people – individualised glycaemic goals, offer drugs with cardiorenal benefits, care with hypos

The annual update section useful for flagging up what has changed significantly in the last year – published December

https://diabetesonthenet.com/wp-content/uploads/229.-Factsheet_ADA-standards-2024.pdf

New advances in type 1 diabetes

Savitha Subramanian, Farah Khan, Irl B Hirsch

thebmj | BMJ 2024;384:e075681 | doi: 10.1136/bmj-2023-075681

- ✓ Risk prediction and slowing progression to symptomatic disease with disease modifying Rx
- ✓ 50% in adults – risk of misclassification
- ✓ Increased CGM use
- ✓ Insulin advances – ultra-long-acting and ultra-rapid
- ✓ Insulin pumps to ‘hybrid’ closed loop systems/automated insulin delivery technologies
- ✓ B cell replacement therapies – pancreas transplant, islet transplantation
- ✓ Adjunctive therapies – metformin, GLP-1RAs
- ✓ Improved management DKA
- ✓ Hypoglycaemia – CGM to reduce burden, easier to use glucagon
- ✓ Coming soon - weekly basal insulins
- ✓ ADA/EASD management guidelines 2021

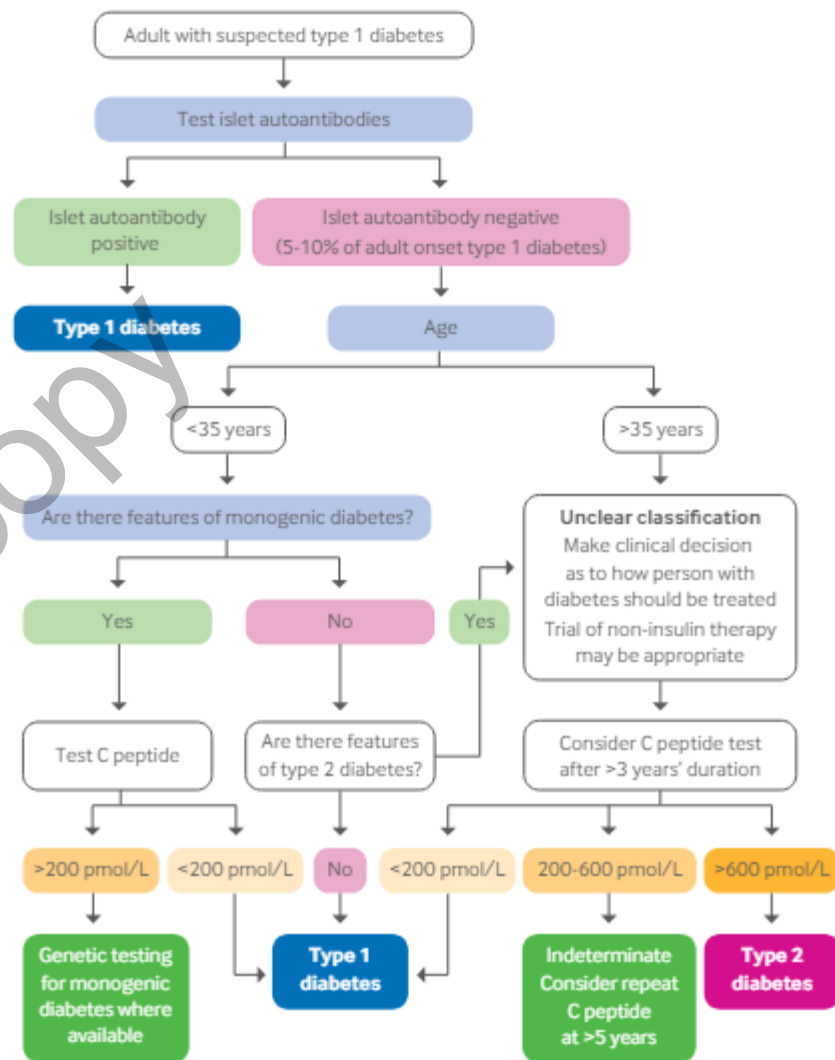


Fig 2 | Flowchart for investigation of suspected type 1 diabetes in adults, based on data from white European populations. No single clinical feature in isolation confirms type 1 diabetes. The most discriminative feature is younger age at diagnosis (<35 years), with lower body mass index (<25), unintentional weight loss, ketoacidosis, and glucose >360 mg/dL at presentation. Adapted with permission from Holt RIG, et al. *Diabetes Care* 2021;44:2589-625¹

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