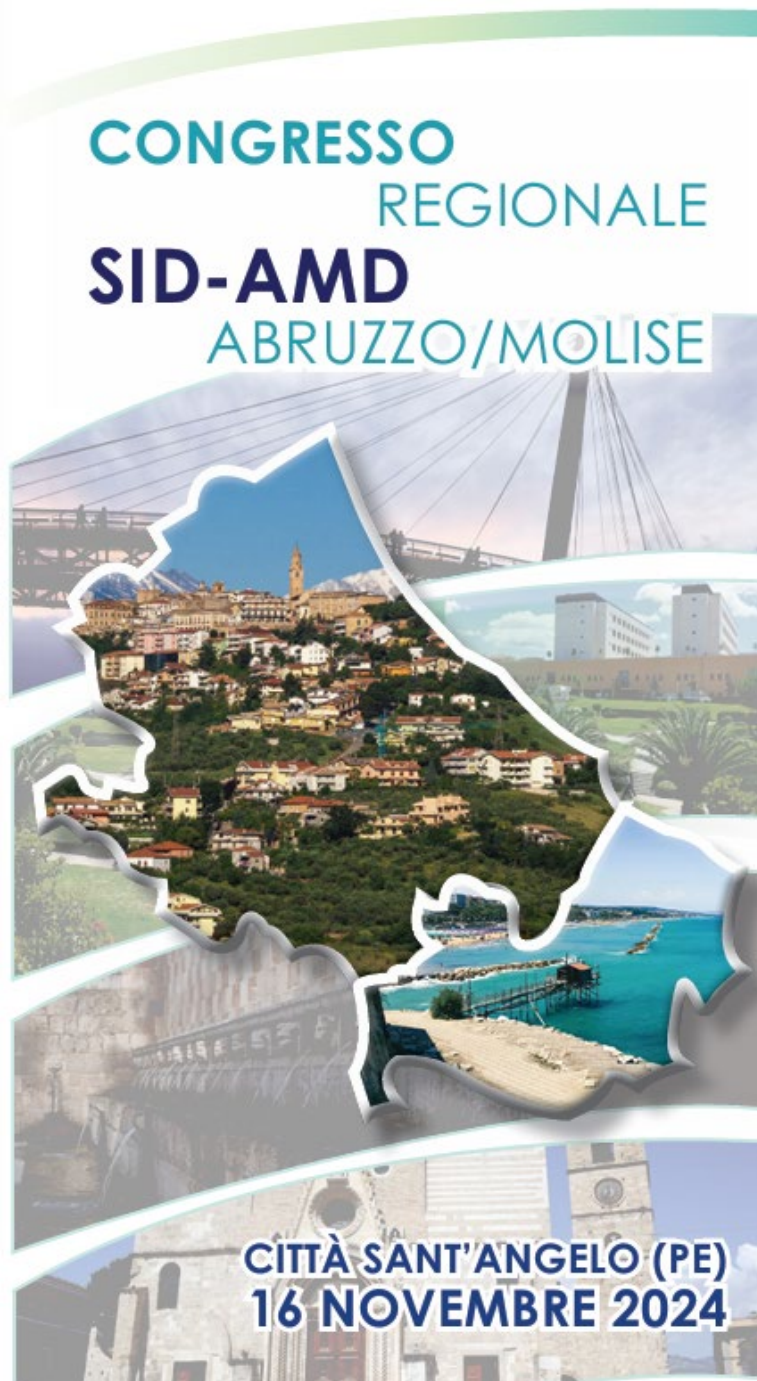




La gestione olistica della persona
con diabete: confronto tra gli
algoritmi proposti dalle linee guida

PROTEZIONE RENALE

Livia Santarelli

Sulmona e Castel di Sangro

Conflitti di interesse

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- Novonordisk
- Beringher

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Diagnosi di Malattia Renale Cronica (MRC)

La diagnosi clinica di malattia renale cronica in un paziente con diabete si basa sulla presenza, per almeno 3 mesi, di:

ALBUMINURIA
 $\text{ACR} \geq 30 \text{ mg/g}$
(albumin to creatinine ratio)

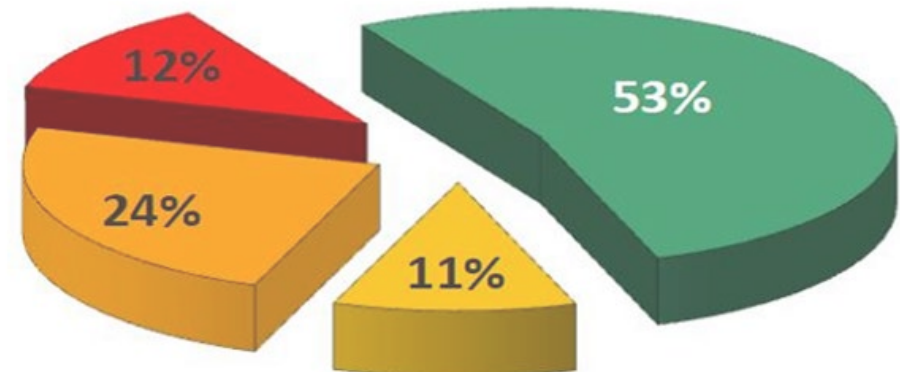
e/o

RIDOTTA FUNZIONE RENALE
 $\text{eGFR} 60 < \text{mL/min/1.73 m}^2$
(estimated glomerular filtration rate)

in assenza di segni o sintomi di altre cause primarie di danno renale

Fenotipi di MRC nel diabete mellito tipo 2

Large cohort of patients (120.903) with type 2 diabetes mellitus attending 236 Italian Diabetes Clinics in 2009



■ Alb- and low eGFR- ■ Alb- and low eGFR+
■ Alb+ and low eGFR- ■ Alb+ and low eGFR+

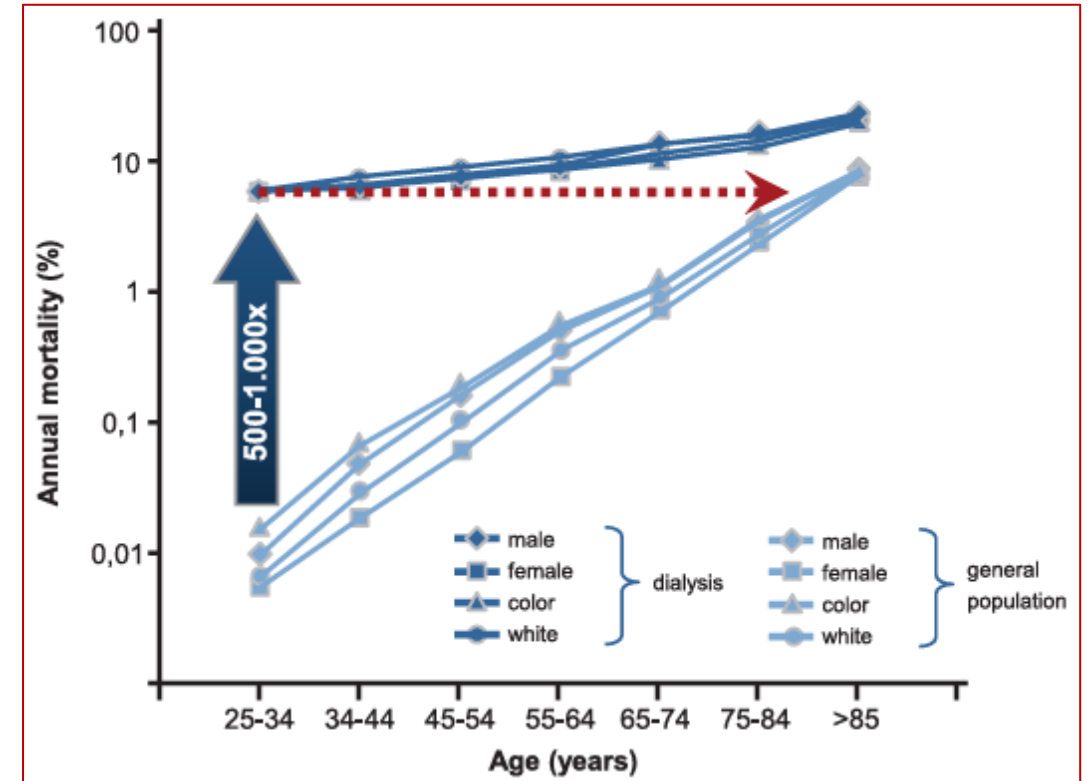
De Cosmo S et al. for AMD-Annals Study Group. NDT 2014

Evoluzione clinica della malattia renale cronica

La malattia renale cronica (*chronic kidney disease, CKD*) è una condizione classicamente silente, almeno fino alle fasi avanzate, quando iniziano a manifestarsi sintomi e segni riferibili alla perdita delle principali funzioni dei reni (stimolazione dell'eritropoiesi, mantenimento dell'equilibrio idro-elettrolitico e del ricambio minerale).

Il diabete mellito è la principale causa di insufficienza renale terminale (*end stage kidney disease, ESKD*) nel mondo.

Cardiovascular mortality in the general population and in patients with end-stage kidney disease.



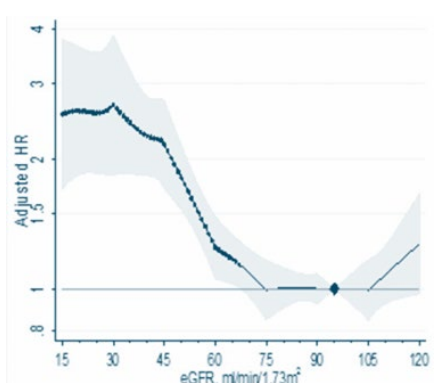
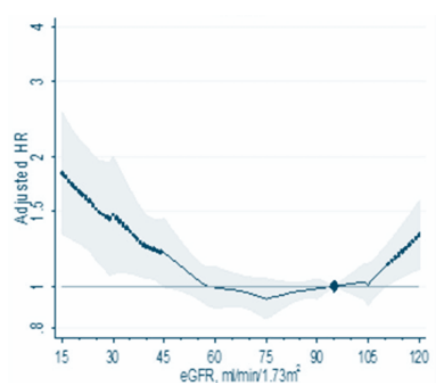
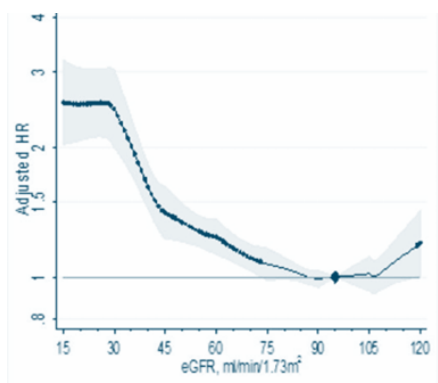
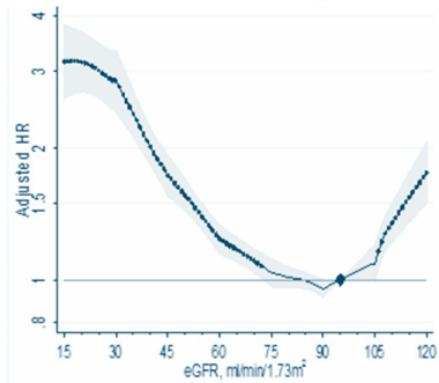
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Relationship of albuminuria and eGFR with cardiovascular mortality and morbidity

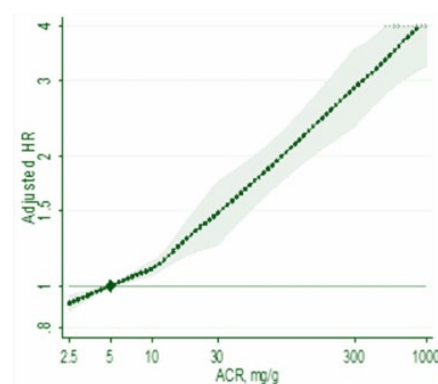
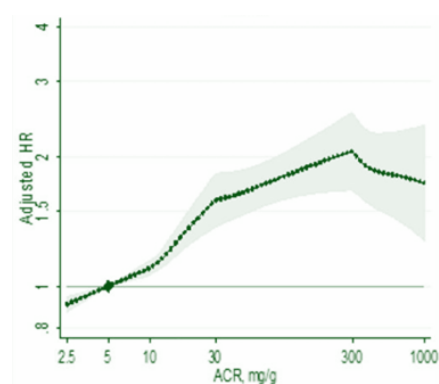
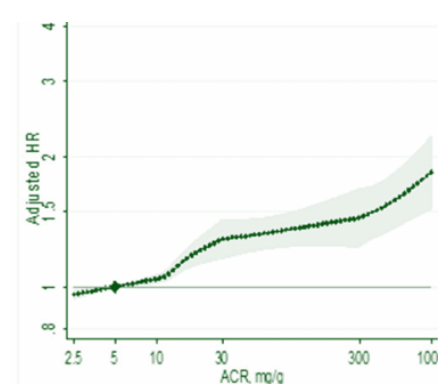
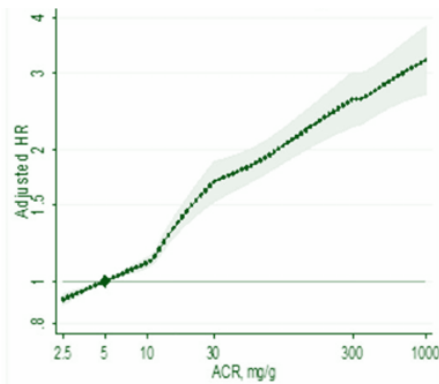
Collaborative meta-analysis from 24 cohorts

637 315 individuals without a history of cardiovascular disease from the Chronic Kidney Disease Prognosis Consortium

eGFR



ACR



CARDIOVASCULAR MORTALITY

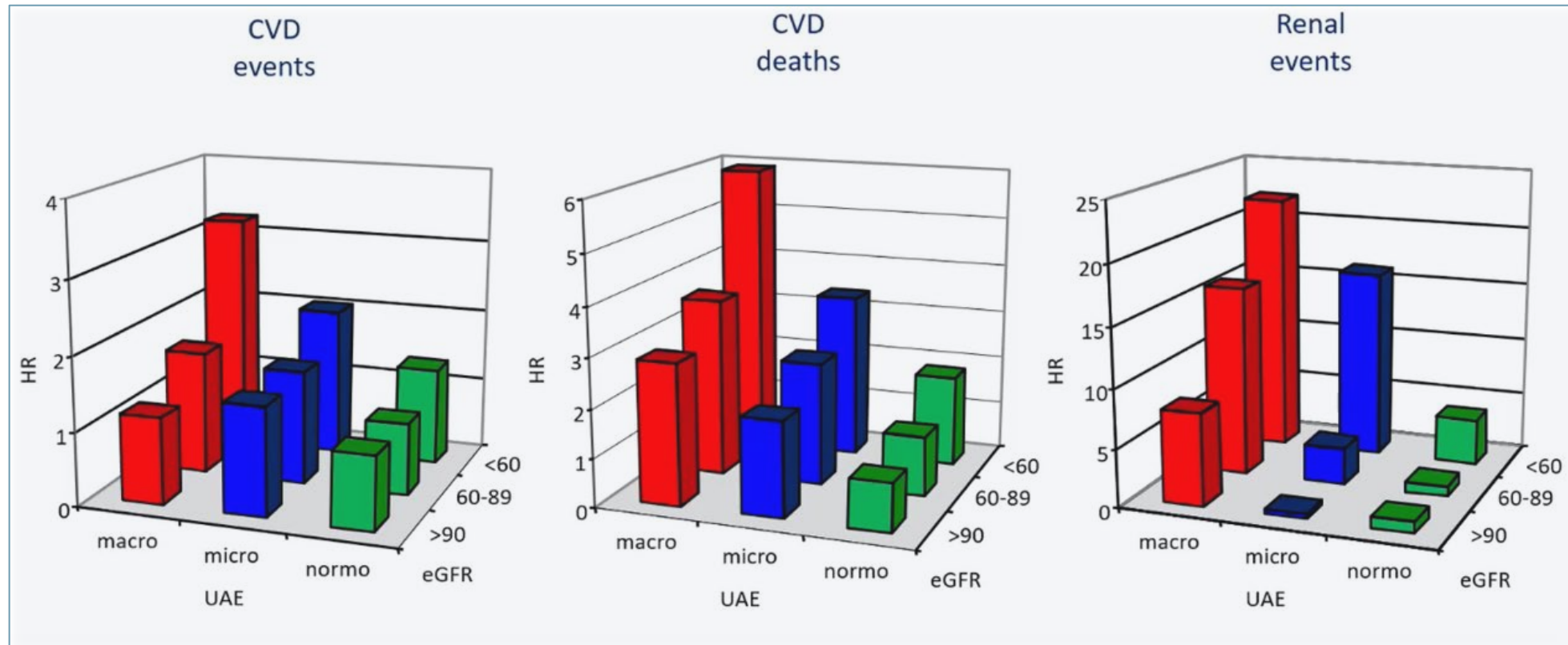
CORONARY HEART DISEASE

STROKE

HEART FAILURE

Relationship of albuminuria and eGFR with cardiovascular and renal outcomes

The Action in Diabetes and Vascular disease: preterAx and diamiconN-MR Controlled Evaluation (ADVANCE) study



10,640 patients with type 2 diabetes

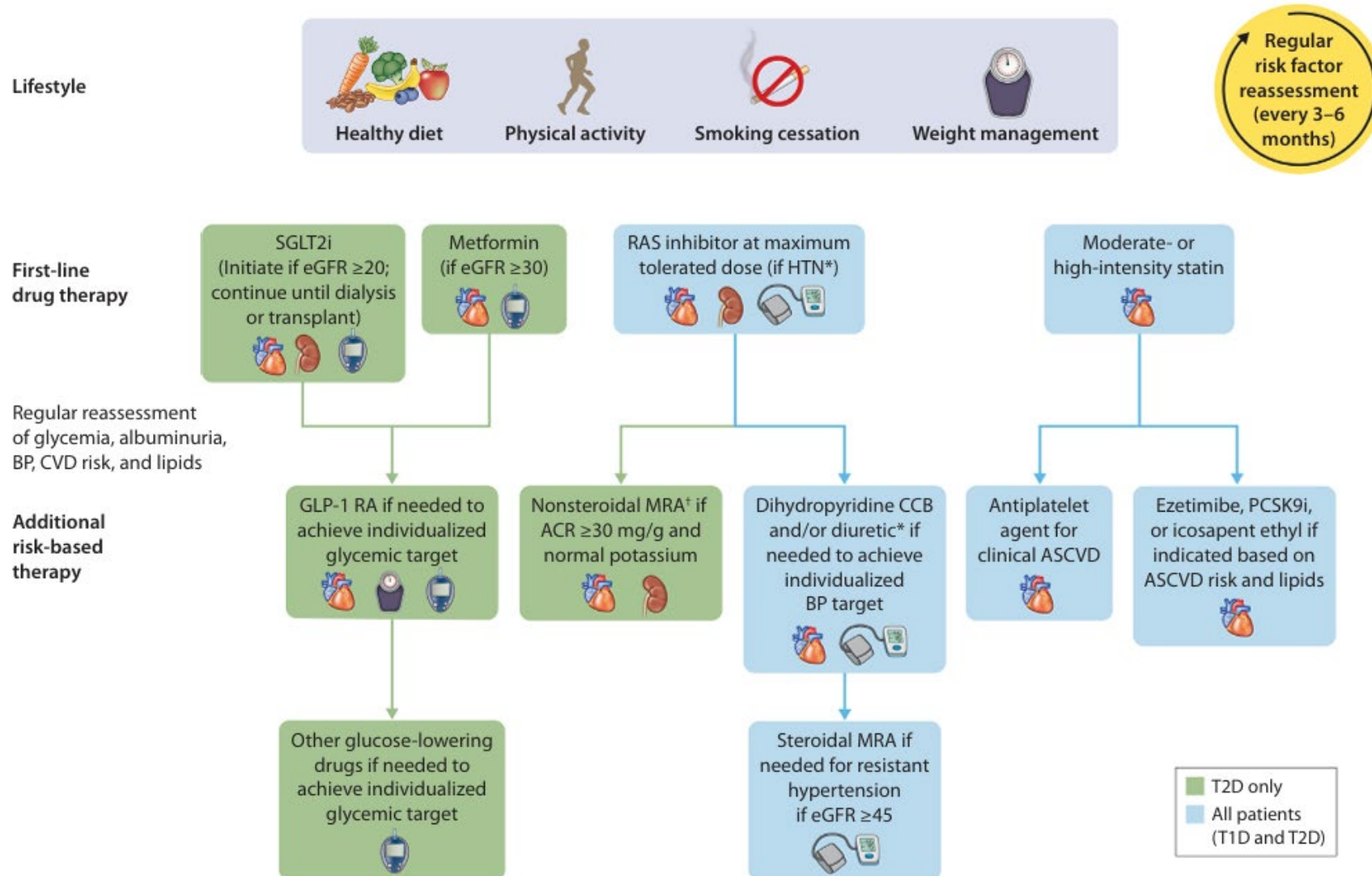
Stadiazione della malattia renale cronica nel diabete

Categorie KDIGO				Categorie albuminuria persistente (mg/24 o mg/g creatinina)		
				A1	A2	A3
				Normale o lievemente aumentata (Normo)	Moderatamente aumentata (Micro)	Severamente aumentata (Macro)
				<30	30-299	≥300
Categorie eGFR (ml/min/1.73 m ²)	G1	Normale-alto	≥90			
	G2	Lievemente ridotto	60-89			
	G3a	Lievemente-moderatamente ridotto	45-59			
	G3b	Moderatamente-severamente ridotto	30-44			
	G4	Severamente ridotto	15-29			
	G5	Insufficienza renale terminale	<15			
Verde = rischio basso (se non altri marcatori di danno renale, no CKD); giallo = rischio moderato; arancio = rischio alto; rosso = rischio molto alto						

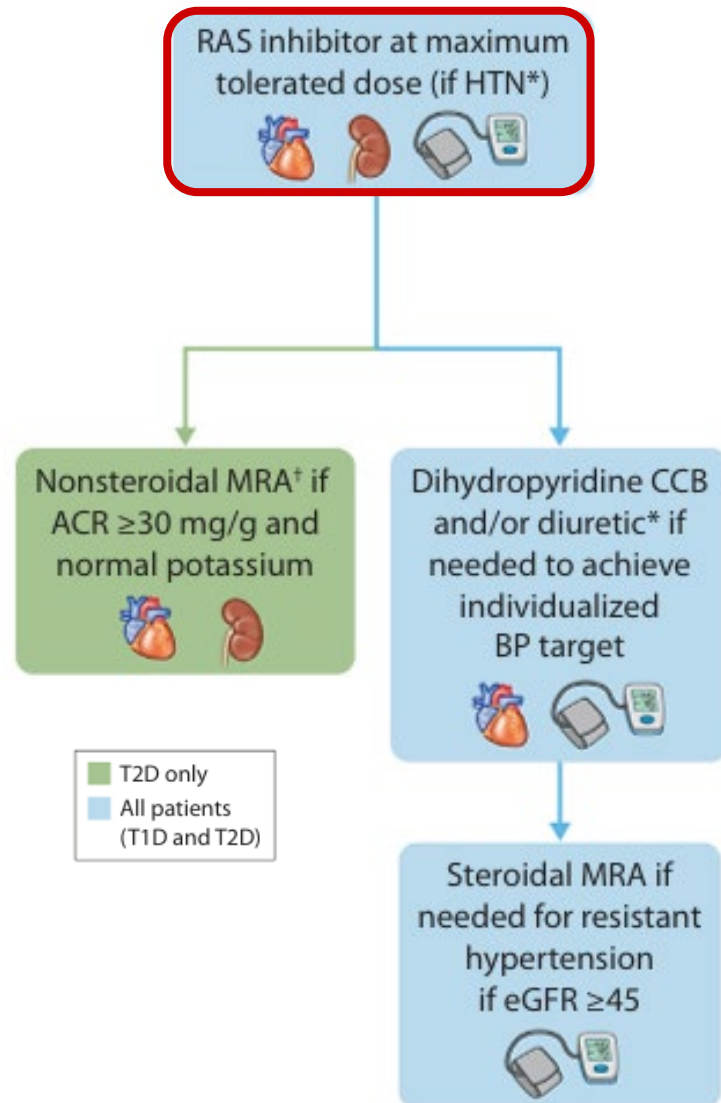
OBIETTIVI della protezione renale

- Ridurre la progressione verso l'insufficienza renale terminale
- Diminuire gli eventi cardiovascolari
- Ridurre la mortalità prematura

Holistic approach for improving outcomes in patients with diabetes and chronic kidney disease (CKD)



Blood pressure management



An ACE inhibitor (ACEi) or angiotensin II receptor blocker (ARB) is recommended for patients with T1D or T2D who have hypertension and albuminuria, titrated to the maximum antihypertensive or highest tolerated dose.

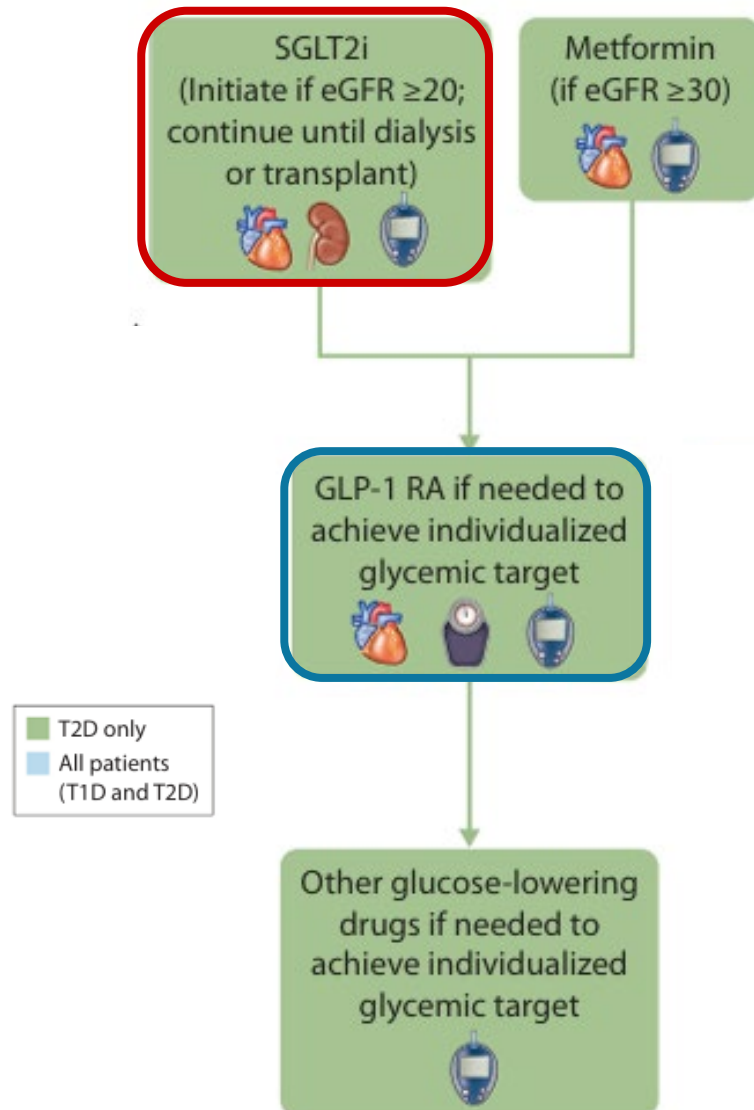
Consensus ADA-KDIGO 2022

11.3 Optimize blood pressure control and reduce blood pressure variability to reduce the risk or slow the progression of CKD and reduce cardiovascular risk. **A**

11.4a In nonpregnant people with diabetes and hypertension, either an ACE inhibitor or an angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) is recommended for those with moderately increased albuminuria (UACR 30–299 mg/g creatinine) **B** and is strongly recommended for those with severely increased albuminuria (UACR ≥300 mg/g creatinine) and/or eGFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m² to prevent the progression of kidney disease and reduce cardiovascular events. **A**

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Glycemic control



A sodium–glucose cotransporter-2 inhibitor (SGLT2i) with proven kidney or cardiovascular benefit is recommended for patients with T2D, CKD, and eGFR ≥ 20 mL/min/1.73 m². Once initiated, the SGLT2i can be continued at lower levels of eGFR.

A glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1) receptor agonist with proven cardiovascular benefit is recommended for patients with T2D and CKD who do not meet their individualized glycemic target with metformin and/or an SGLT2i or who are unable to use these drugs.

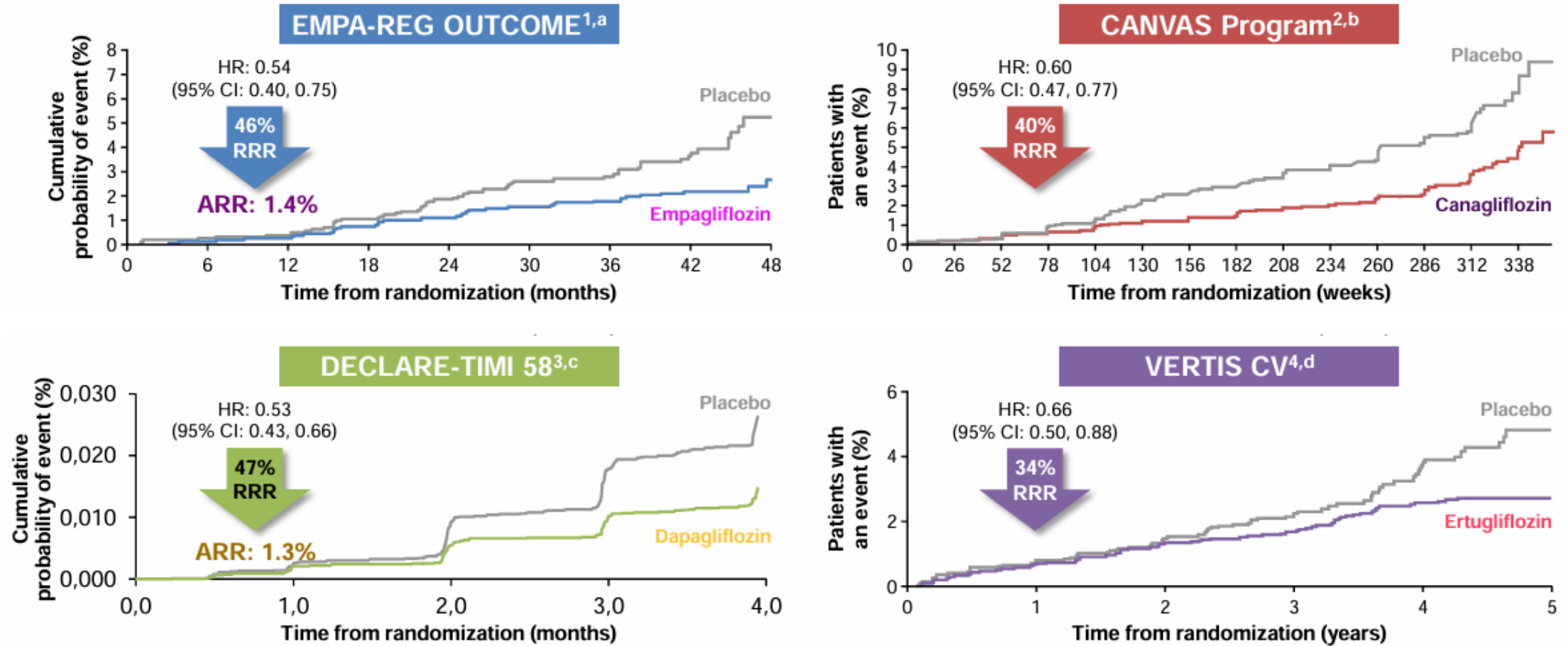
Consensus ADA-KDIGO 2022

11.5a For people with type 2 diabetes and CKD, use of a sodium–glucose cotransporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitor is recommended to reduce CKD progression and cardiovascular events in individuals with eGFR ≥ 20 mL/min/1.73 m² and urinary albumin ≥ 200 mg/g creatinine. **A**

11.5b For people with type 2 diabetes and CKD, use of an SGLT2 inhibitor is recommended to reduce CKD progression and cardiovascular events in individuals with eGFR ≥ 20 mL/min/1.73 m² and urinary albumin ranging from normal to 200 mg/g creatinine. **B**

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SGLT2 inhibitors in CVOTs consistently reduced the risk of kidney composite endpoints (sustained $\geq 40\%$ decline in eGFR, ESKD or renal death) compared with placebo

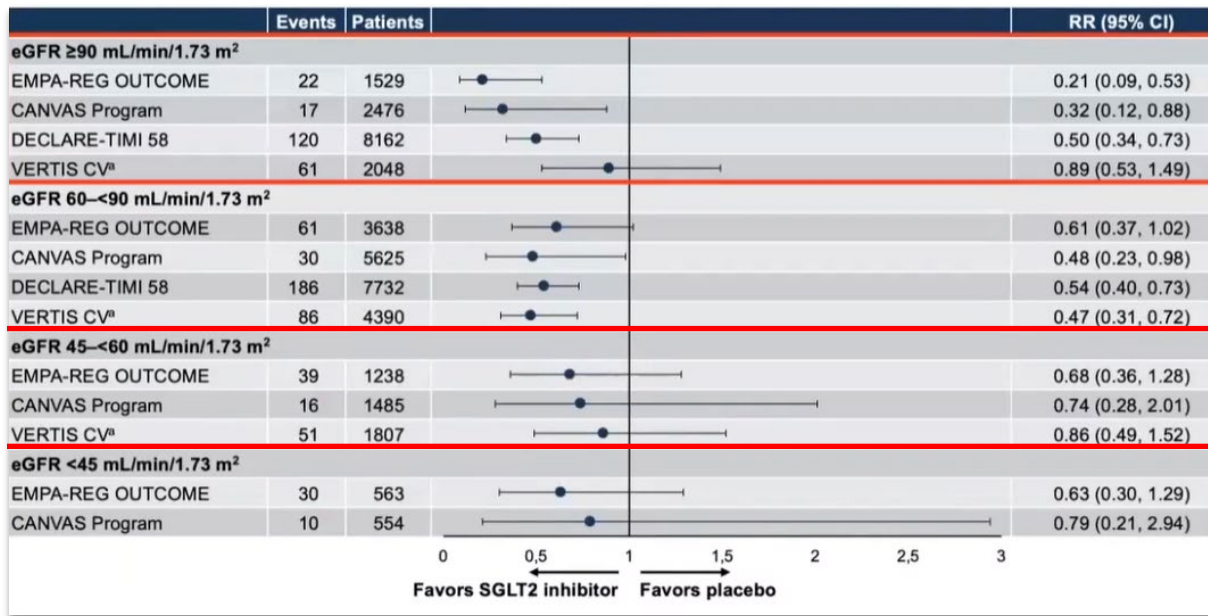


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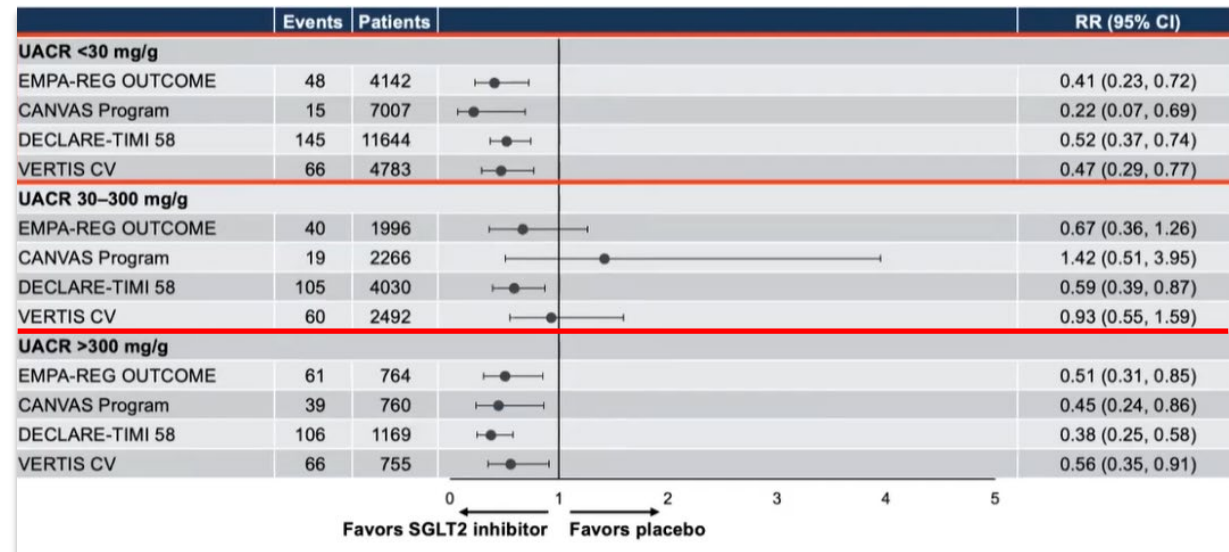
The kidney benefit of SGLT2 inhibitors were consistent over a wide range of eGFR as well as over a range of UACR

The kidney benefit Effect of SGLT2 inhibitors on composite kidney endpoints, stratified by:

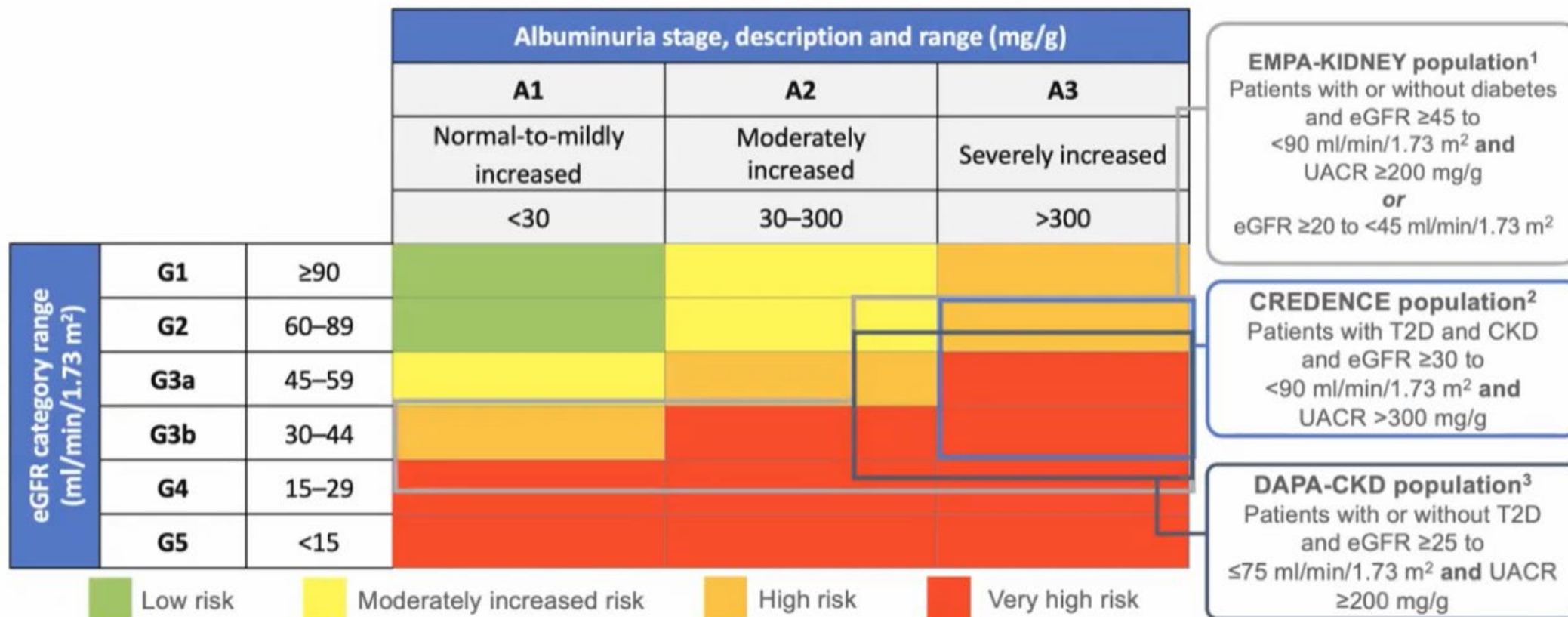
eGFR



UACR



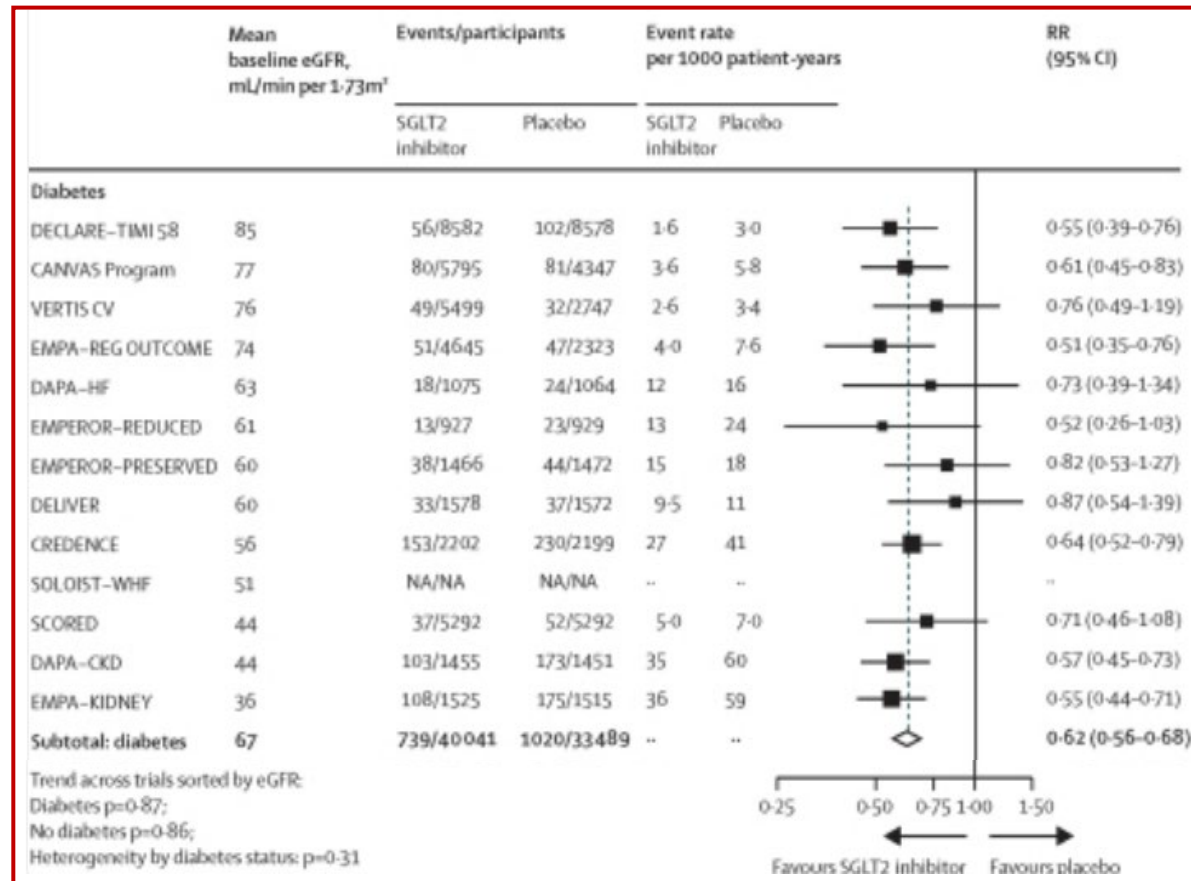
CKD population within kidney outcome trials



1. The EMPA-KIDNEY Collaborative Group. N Engl J Med 2023;388:117; 2. Perkovic V et al. N Engl J Med 2019;380:2295; 3. Wheeler DC et al. Nephrol Dial Transplant 2020;35:1700

Effect of SGLT2 inhibitors on kidney disease progression

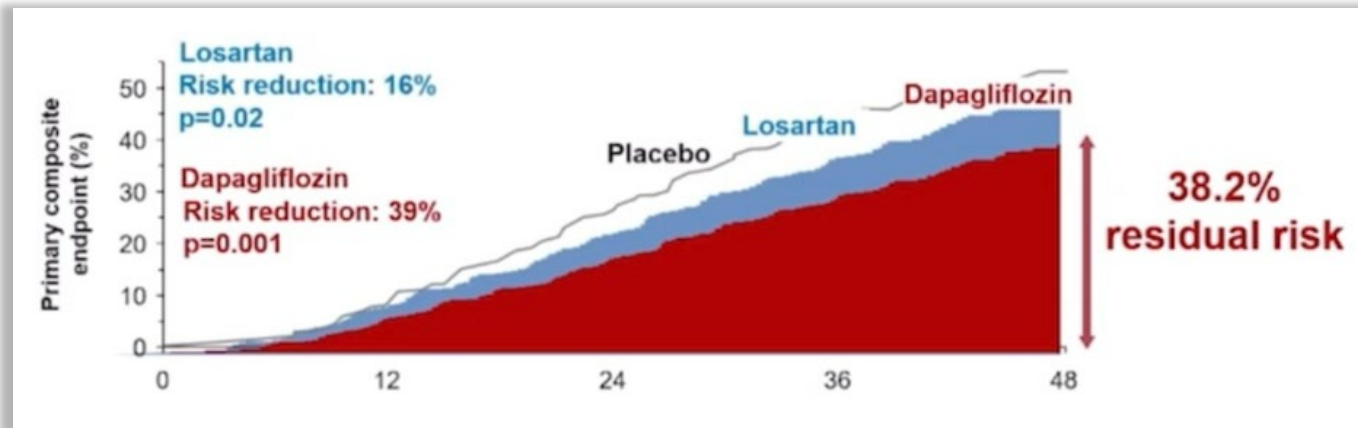
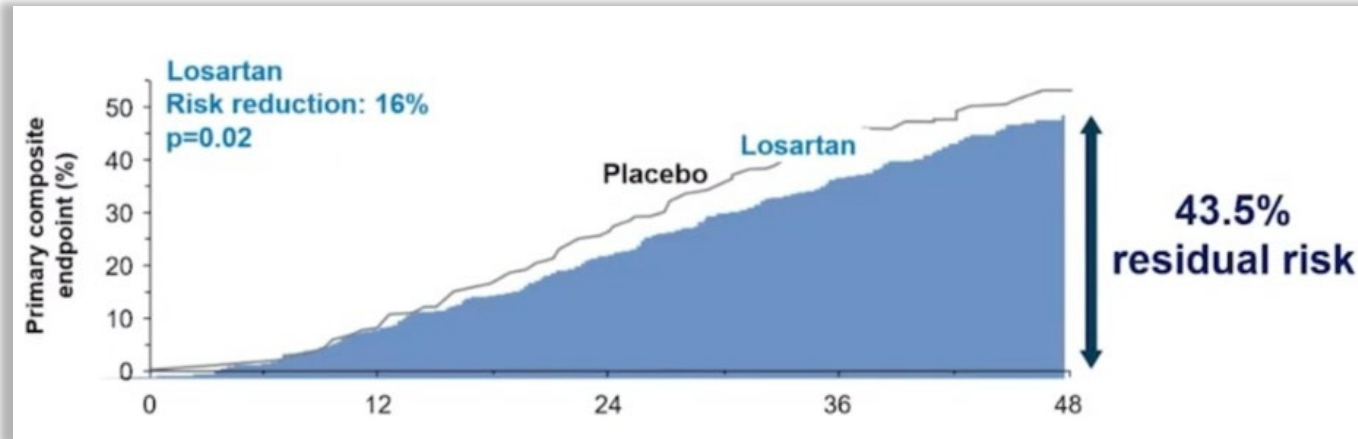
Kidney disease progression was defined as a sustained decrease in eGFR ($\geq 50\%$) from randomisation, a sustained low eGFR, end-stage kidney disease, or death from kidney failure in all presented trials



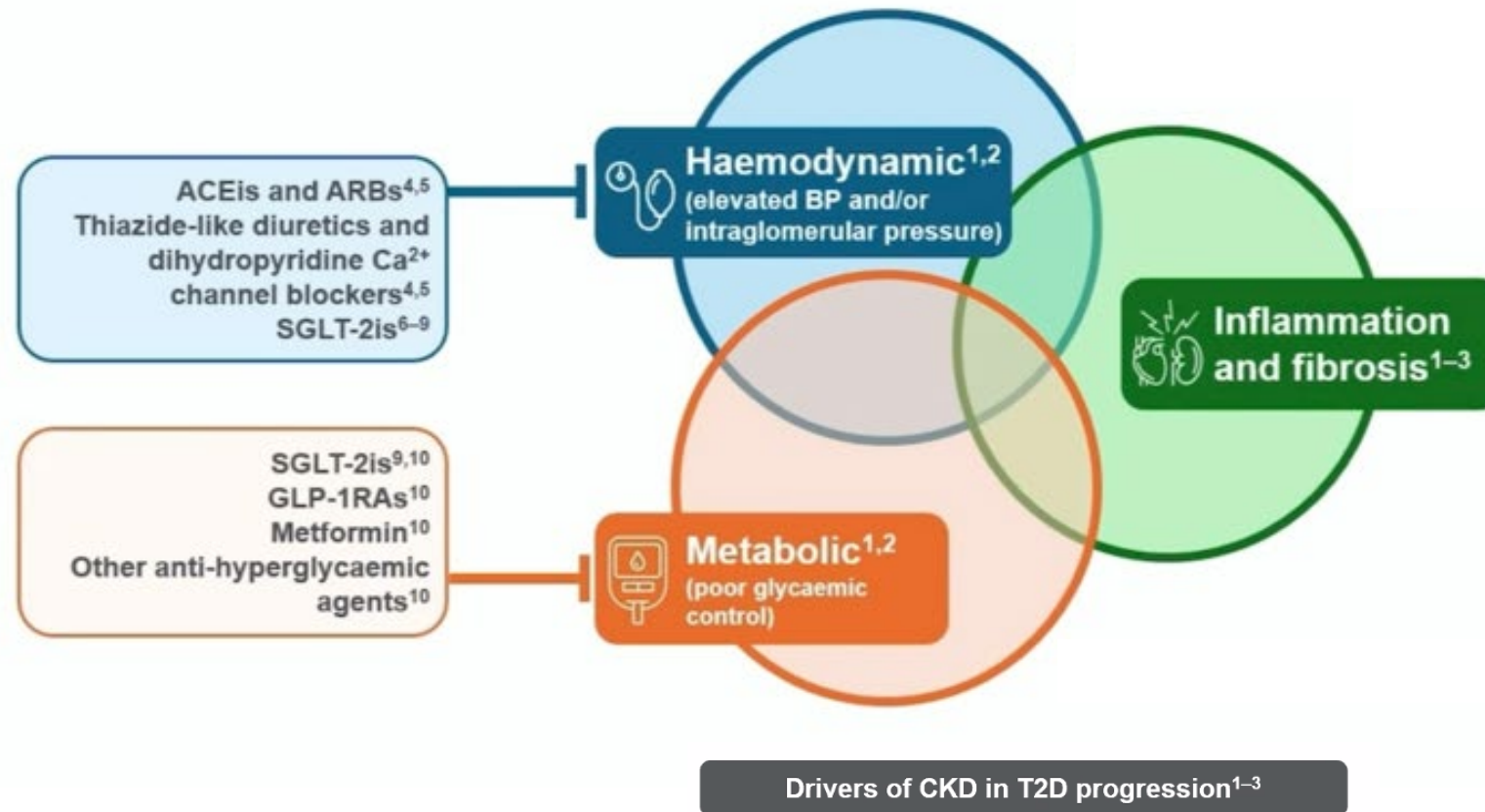
-38%

Residual renal risk with RASi and SGLT2i

RENAAL and DAPA-CKD
Risk of 2xsCr, ESKD or death
In patients with T2D and overt nephropathy



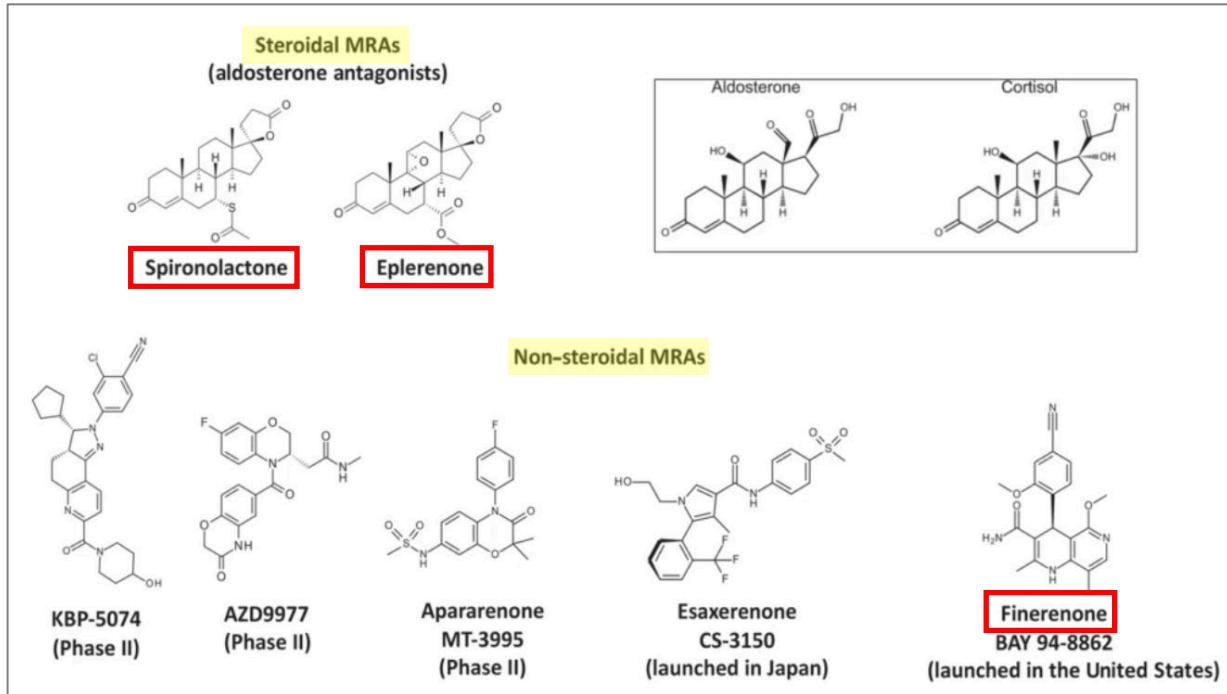
CKD in T2D progression is driven by the combined effects of metabolic, haemodynamic, inflammatory and fibrotic factors



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Mineralcorticoid receptor antagonists (MRAs)

Chemical structures



Pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic characteristics

	Steroidal MRAs		Finerenone
	Spironolactone	Eplerenone	Finerenone
Structural properties	Flat (steroidal)	Flat (steroidal)	Bulky (non-steroidal)
Potency to MR	+++	+	+++
Selectivity to MR	+	++	+++
CNS penetration	+	+	-
Sexual side effects	++	(+)	-
Half-life	>20 h**	4-6 h**	2-3 h*
Active metabolites	++	-	-
Effect on BP	+++	++	+

FIDELIO-DKD (Finerenone in Reducing Kidney Failure and Disease Progression in Diabetic Kidney Disease)

Double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled trial

- 5734 patients randomized
- 2,6 years median follow-up

✓ Inclusion criteria^{1,2}

- T2D and CKD, defined as **either**:
 - UACR 30–<300 mg/g and eGFR ≥ 25 –<60 ml/min/1.73 m² ^{**} **or**
 - UACR ≥ 300 – ≤ 5000 mg/g and eGFR ≥ 25 –<75 ml/min/1.73 m² ^{*}
- Treated with either an ACEi or an ARB at maximal tolerated dose
- [K⁺] ≤ 4.8 mmol/l

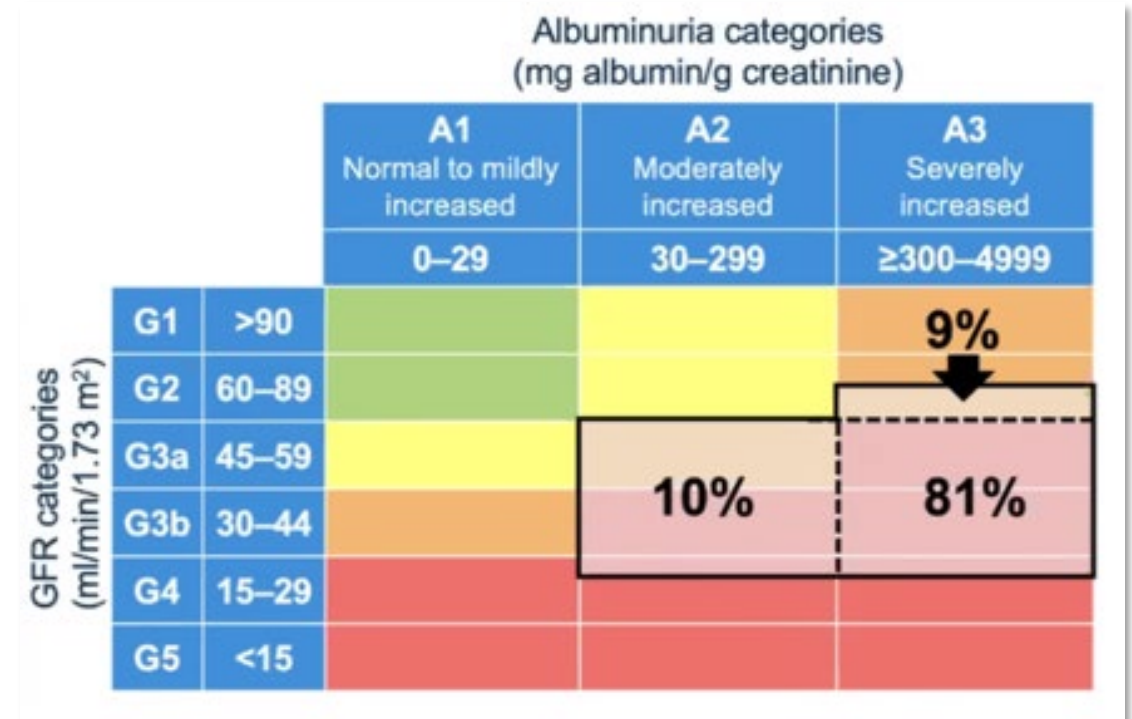
✗ Key exclusion criteria^{1,2}

- HFrEF with NYHA class II–IV
- Other kidney disease[†]
- Uncontrolled arterial hypertension[§]
- Dialysis for acute kidney failure or kidney transplant

Finerenone

eGFR < 60 ml/min/1.73 m² → 10 mg od

eGFR ≥ 60 ml/min/1.73 m² → 20 mg od



1. Bakris GL, et al. *Am J Nephrol* 2019;50:333-344.

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Risk of the primary composite kidney endpoint vs placebo

PRIMARY ENDPOINT

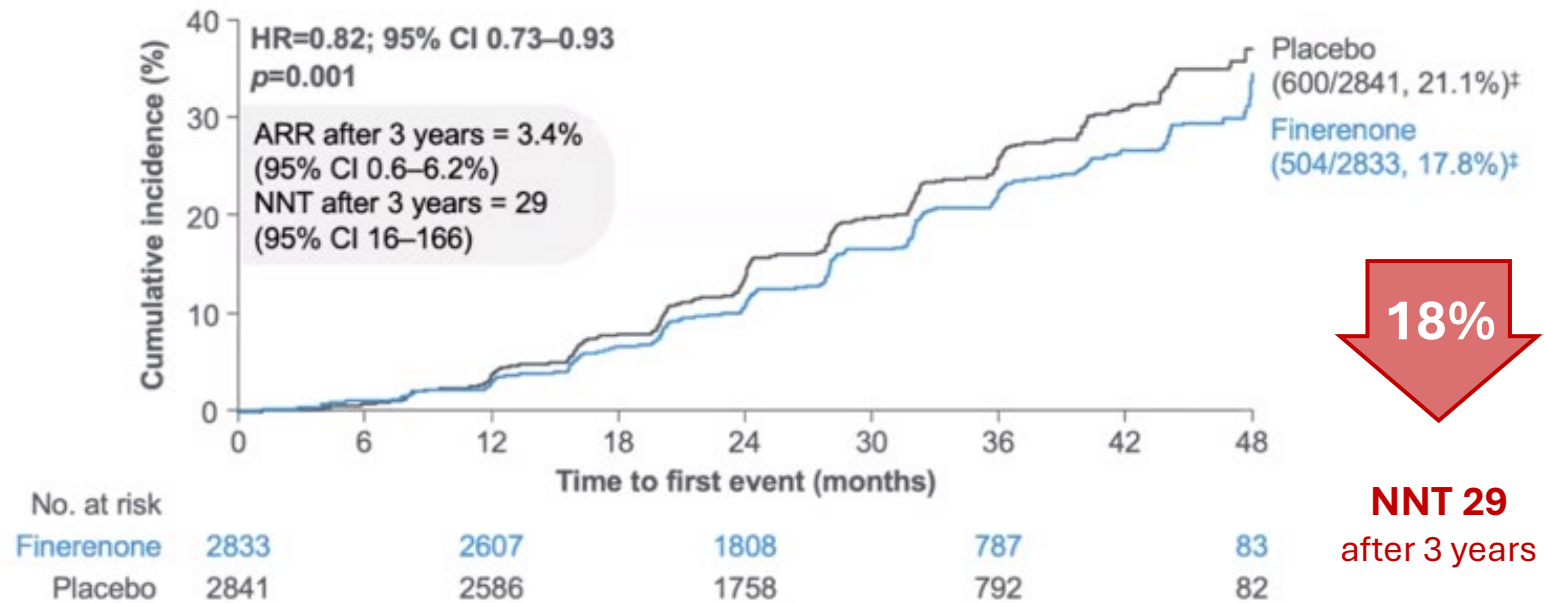


Kidney composite

Time to kidney failure[°],
sustained $\geq 40\%$ decrease
in eGFR from baseline*,
or renal death

[°]ESKD or an eGFR <15 mL/min/1.73 m²

*sustained over ≥ 4 week



18%

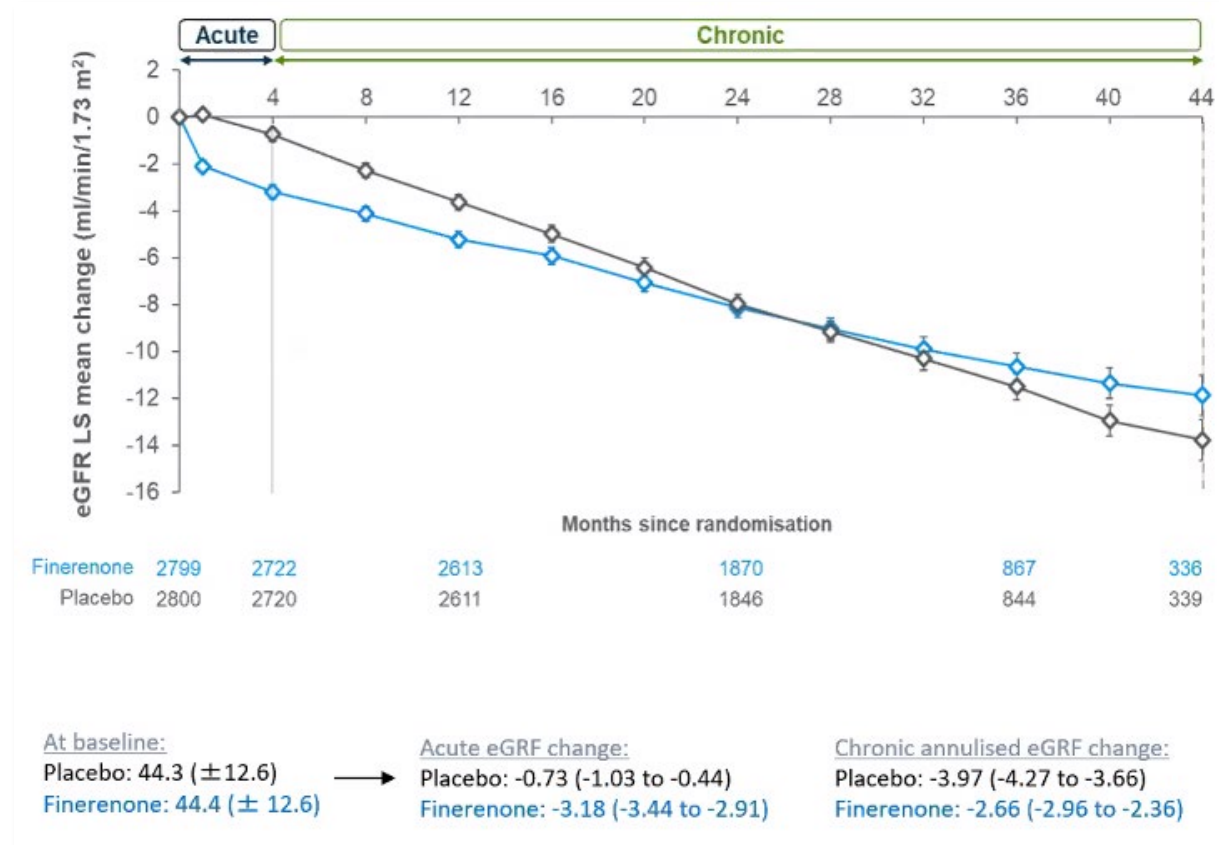
NNT 29
after 3 years

Endpoint	Finerenone (n=2833)		Placebo (n=2841)		Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p-value
	n (%)	n per 100 PY	n (%)	n per 100 PY		
Primary composite kidney endpoint	504 (17.8)	7.59	600 (21.1)	9.08	0.82 (0.73–0.93)	0.001
Kidney failure	208 (7.3)	2.99	235 (8.3)	3.39	0.87 (0.72–1.05)	–
End-stage kidney disease	119 (4.2)	1.60	139 (4.9)	1.87	0.86 (0.67–1.10)	–
Sustained* decrease in eGFR to <15 mL/min/1.73 m ²	167 (5.9)	2.40	199 (7.0)	2.87	0.82 (0.67–1.01)	–
Sustained* $\geq 40\%$ decrease in eGFR from baseline	479 (16.9)	7.21	577 (20.3)	8.73	0.81 (0.72–0.92)	–
Renal death	2 (<0.1)	–	2 (<0.1)	–	–	–

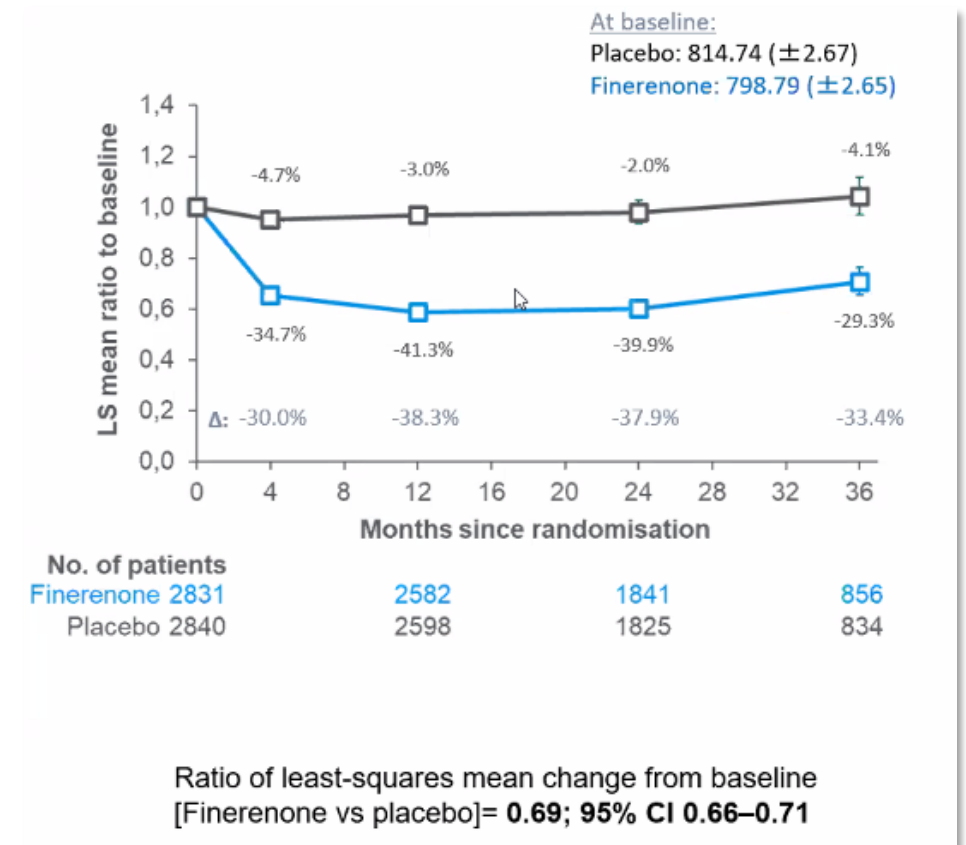
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Favours finerenone Favours placebo

Finerenone reduces worsening of eGFR overtime and UACR starting from 4th months

eGFR

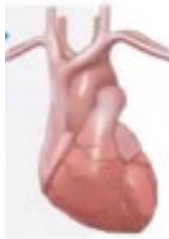


UACR



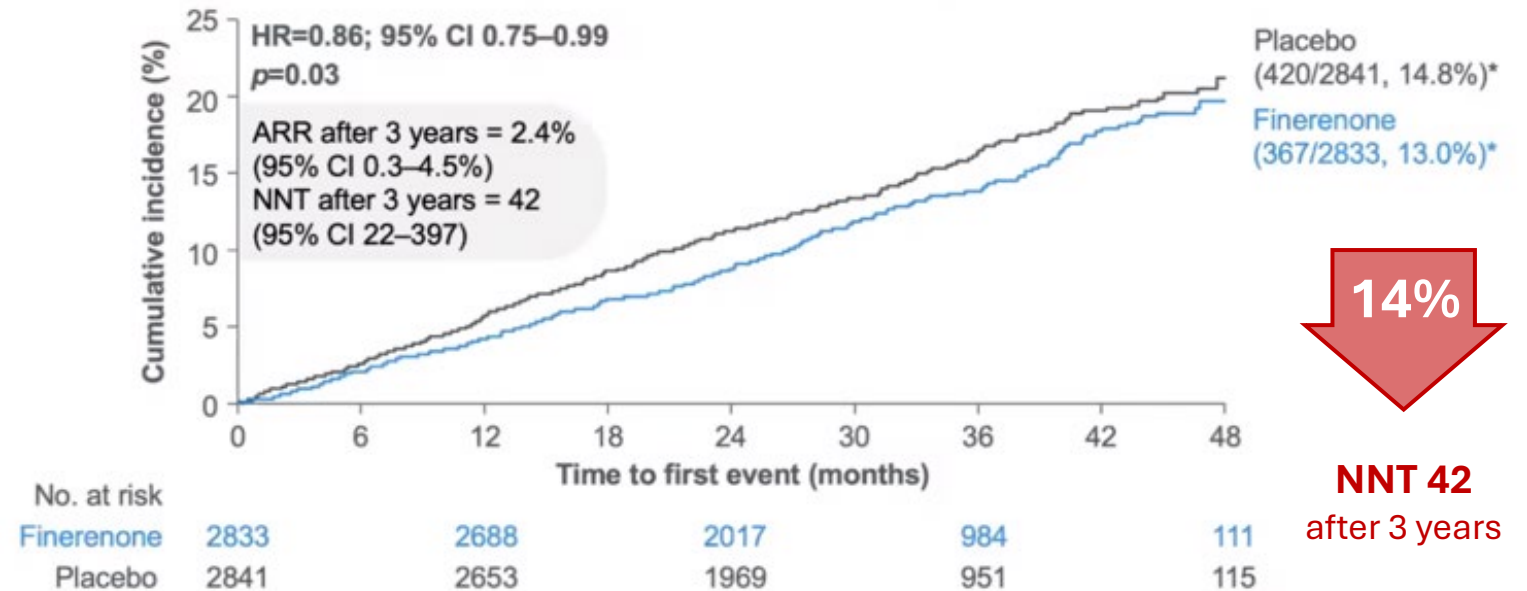
Risk of the key secondary CV endpoint vs placebo

SECONDARY ENDPOINT



CV composite

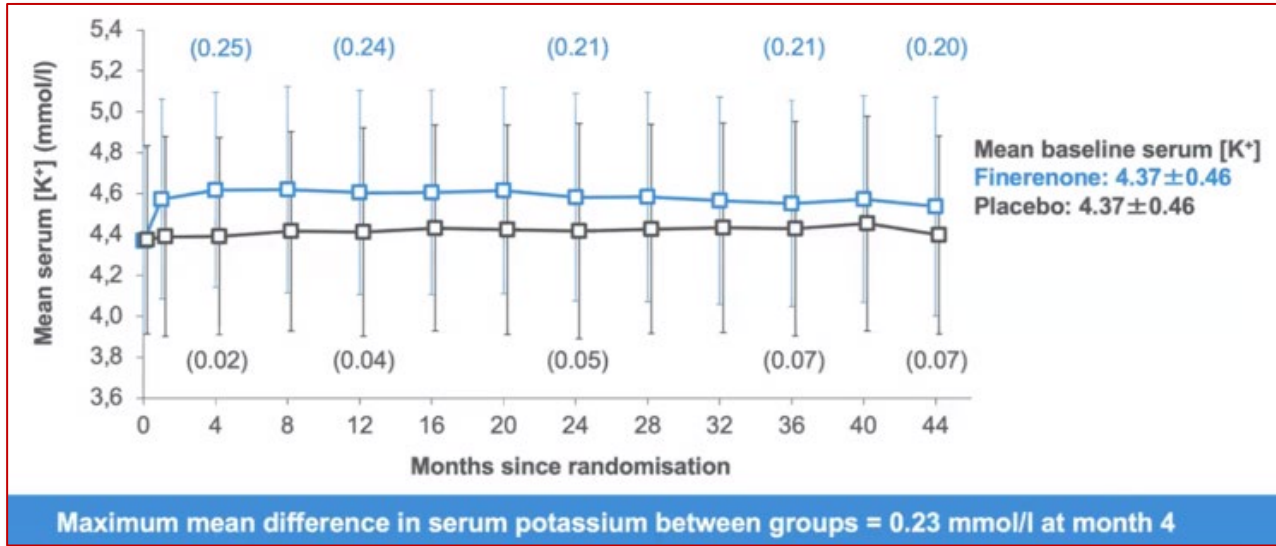
Time to CV death, non fatal MI, non fatal stroke or hospitalisation for HF



Endpoint	Finerenone (n=2833)		Placebo (n=2841)		Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p-value
	n (%)	n per 100 PY	n (%)	n per 100 PY		
Key secondary cardiovascular composite endpoint	367 (13.0)	5.11	420 (14.8)	5.92	0.86 (0.75–0.99)	0.03
Cardiovascular death	128 (4.5)	1.69	150 (5.3)	1.99	0.86 (0.68–1.08)	–
Non-fatal MI	70 (2.5)	0.94	87 (3.1)	1.17	0.80 (0.58–1.09)	–
Non-fatal stroke	90 (3.2)	1.21	87 (3.1)	1.18	1.03 (0.76–1.38)	–
Hospitalisation for HF	139 (4.9)	1.89	162 (5.7)	2.21	0.86 (0.68–1.08)	–

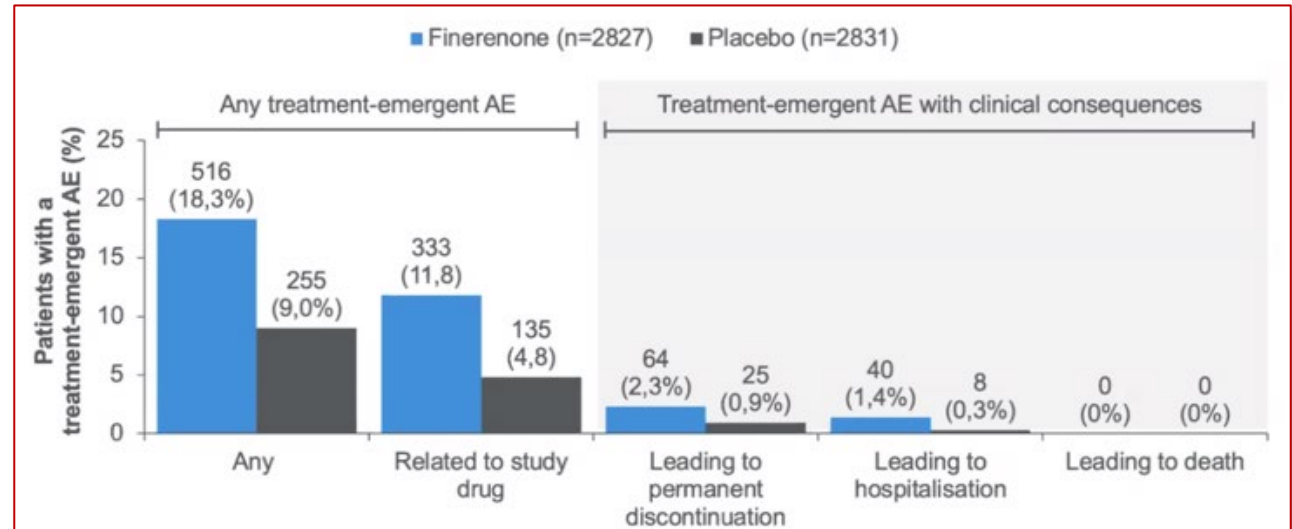
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Favours finerenone Favours placebo

Finerenone and potassium

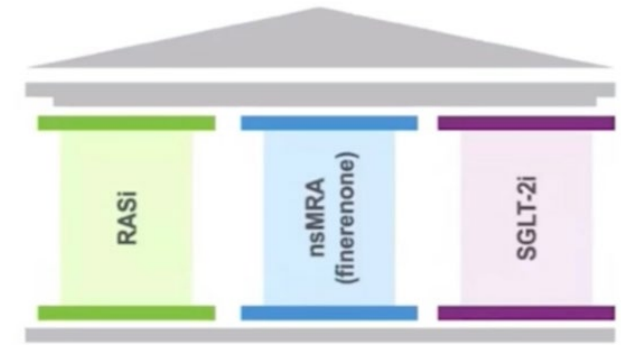
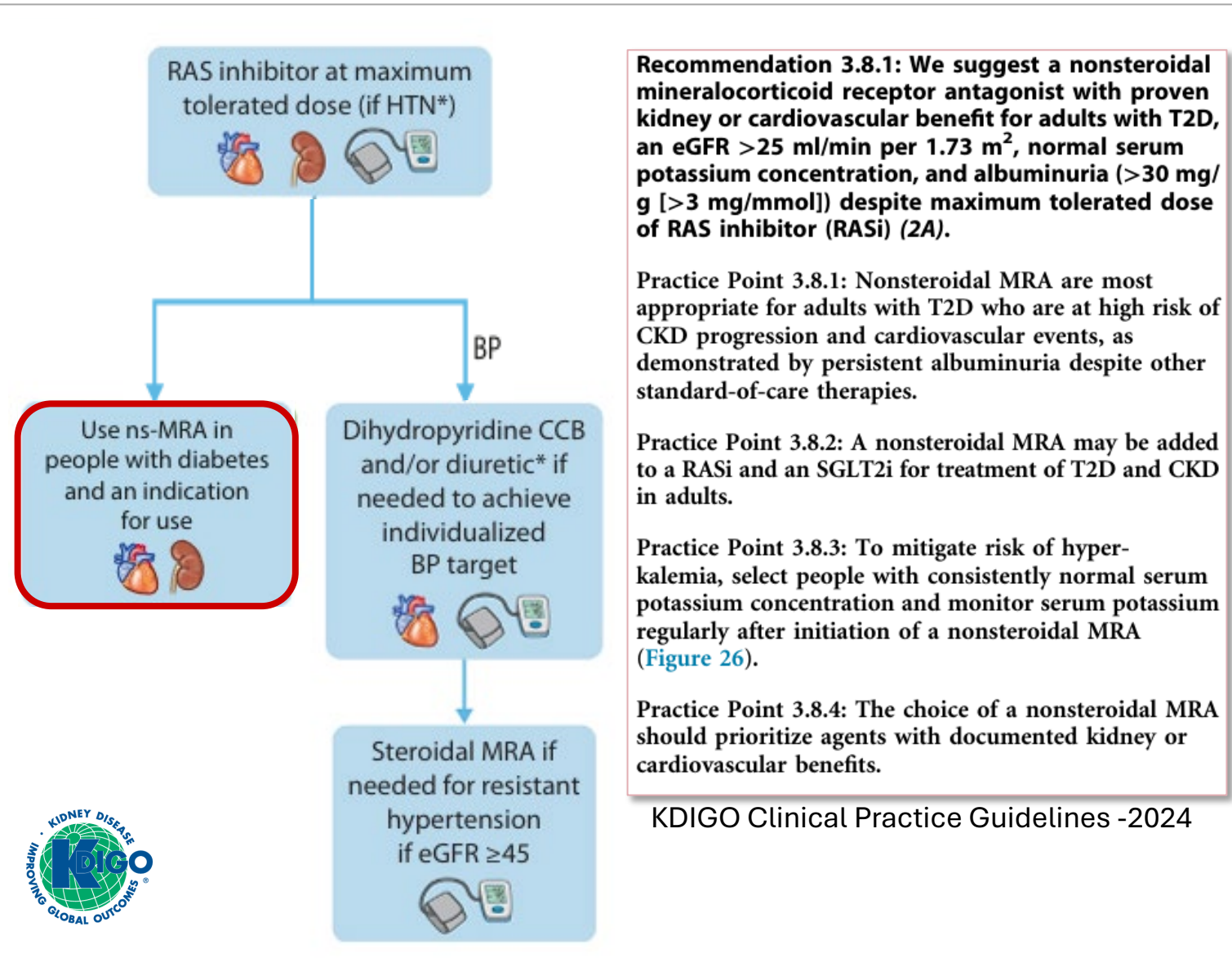


Mean serum potassium (mmol/L)

Patients with treatment-emergent hypercalcaemia AE (%)



Clinical guidelines for the management of CKD in T2D recommended finerenone as a core treatment pillar



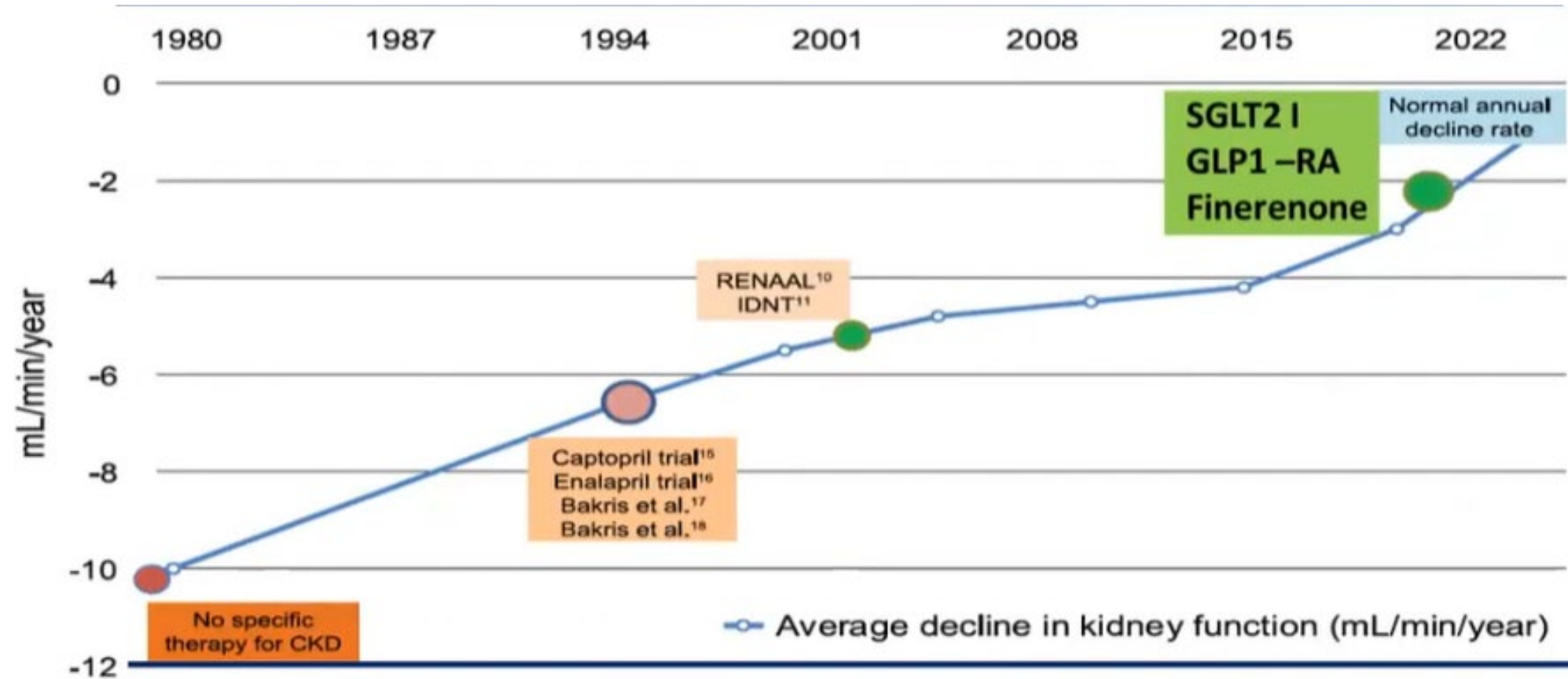
11.5d As people with CKD and albuminuria are at increased risk for cardiovascular events and CKD progression, a nonsteroidal mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist that has been shown to be effective in clinical trials is recommended to reduce cardiovascular events and CKD progression (if eGFR is ≥ 25 mL/min/1.73 m²).



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Historical perspective on slowing CKD progression associated with T2D



OW semaglutide s.c. 1.0 mg showed a 24% risk reduction of a composite outcome, incl. kidney disease progression, CV and Kidney death in people with CKD and T2D

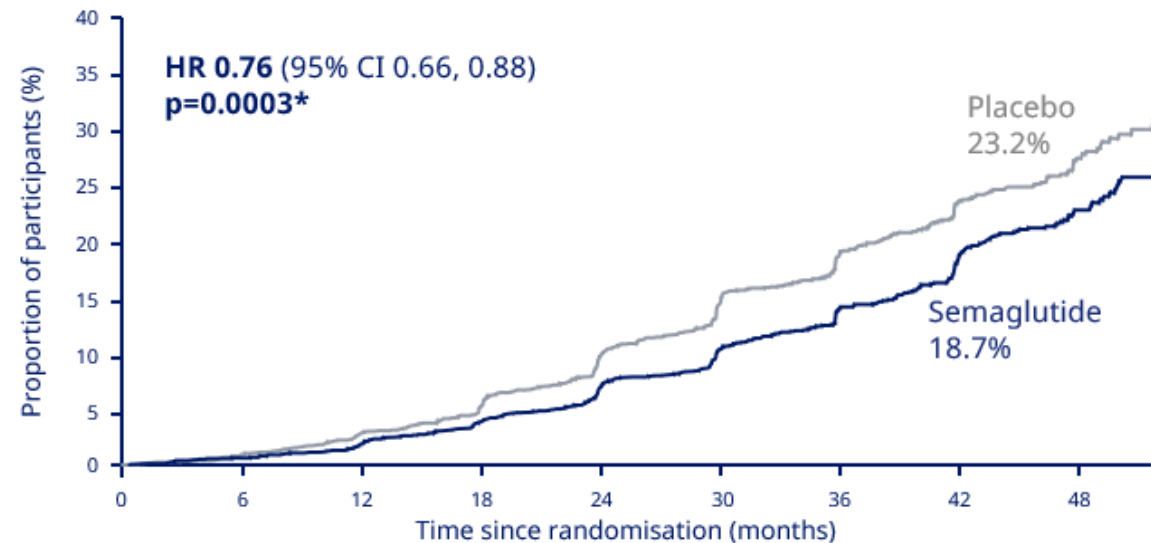
Primary kidney endpoint

FLOW

Time to first occurrence of a composite endpoint consisting of:

- Onset of persistent $\geq 50\%$ reduction in eGFR compared with baseline
- Onset of persistent eGFR < 15 mL/min/1.73 m²
- Initiation of chronic renal replacement therapy (dialysis or kidney transplantation)
- Renal death
- CV death

First composite kidney event: Primary outcome

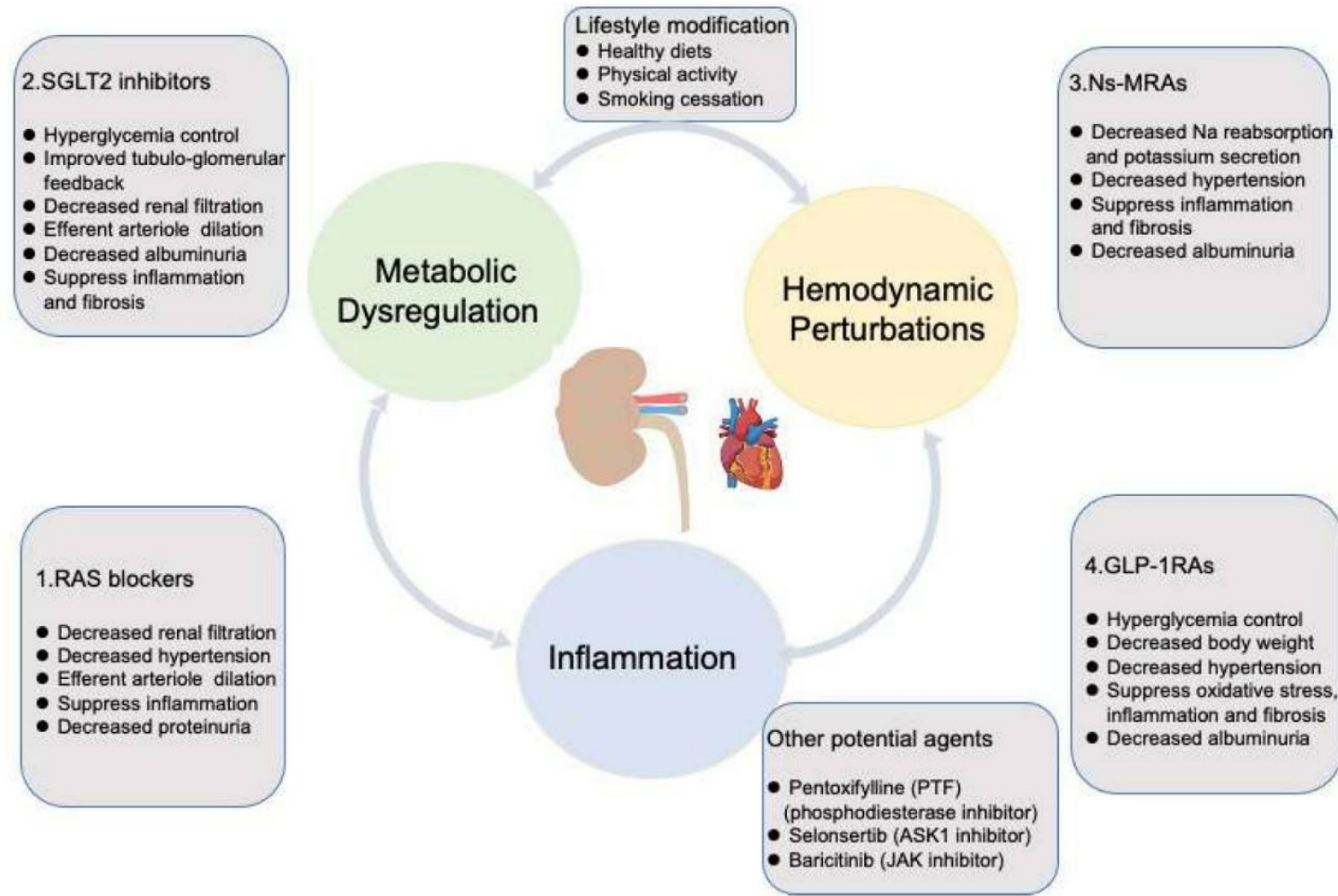


Semaglutide	1,767	1,738	1,693	1,640	1,572	1,489	1,131	742	392
Placebo	1,766	1,736	1,682	1,605	1,516	1,408	1,048	660	354

Full analysis set. Data from the in-trial period. * Superiority if p value < 0.0322

Numbers shown in the lower panels represent the number of participants at risk. CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; HR, hazard ratio. Perkovic V, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2024; DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2403347

Recent Advances in the Management of Diabetic Kidney Disease: Slowing Progression



Grazie