



# **Il giusto posto delle gliflozine nel trattamento del diabete di tipo 2 SGLT2i e chetogenesi: vantaggi e rischi**

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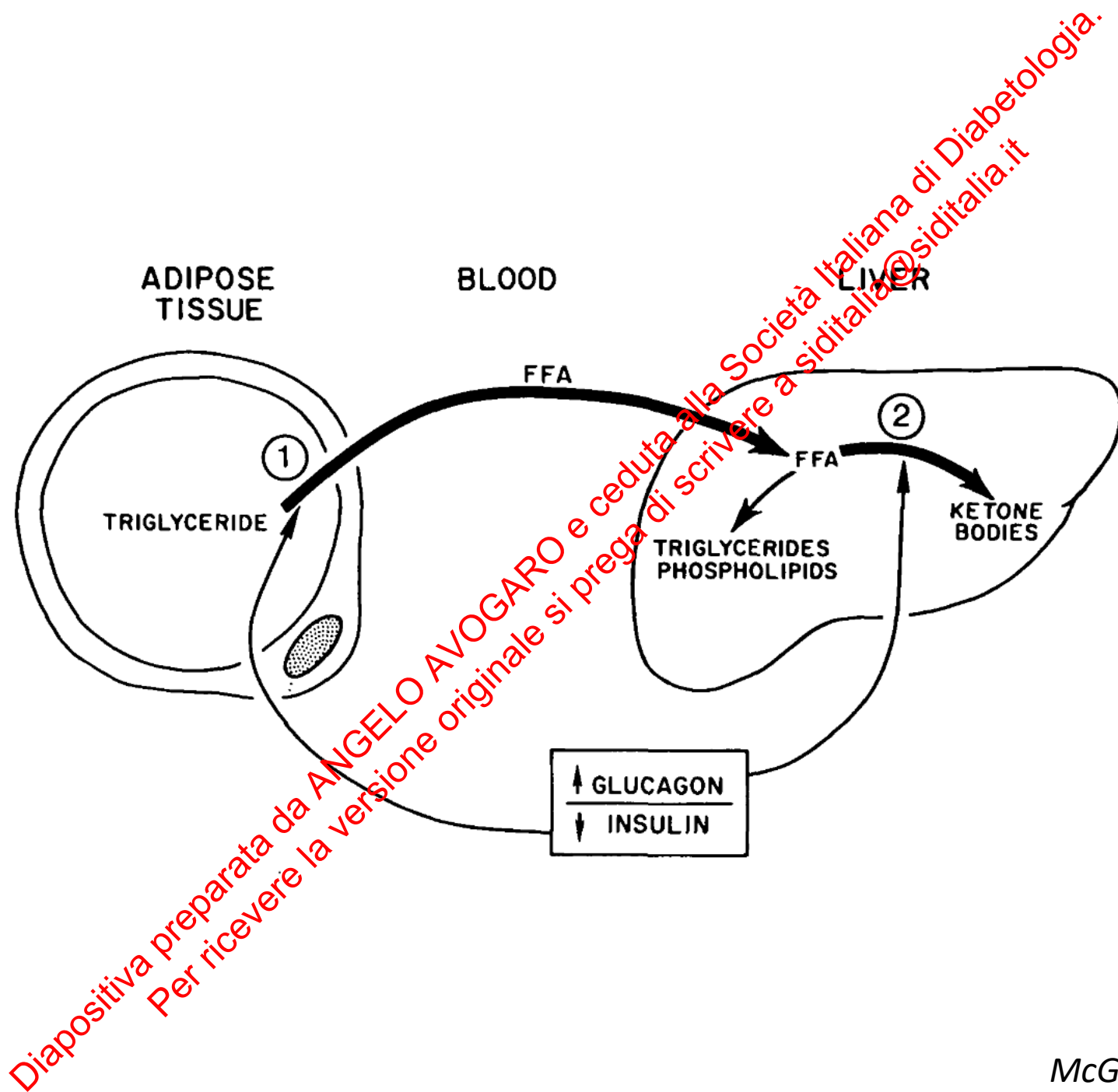
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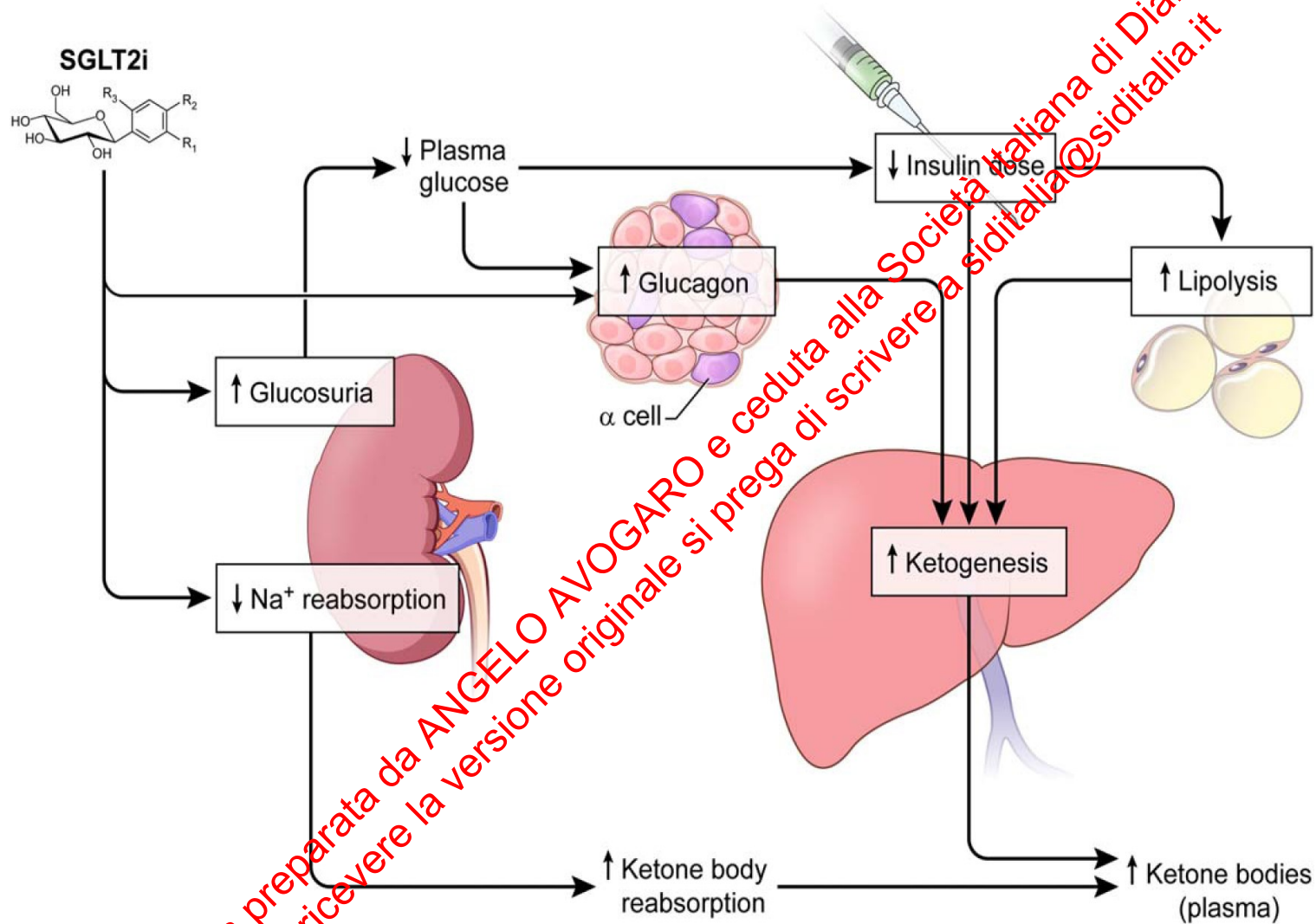
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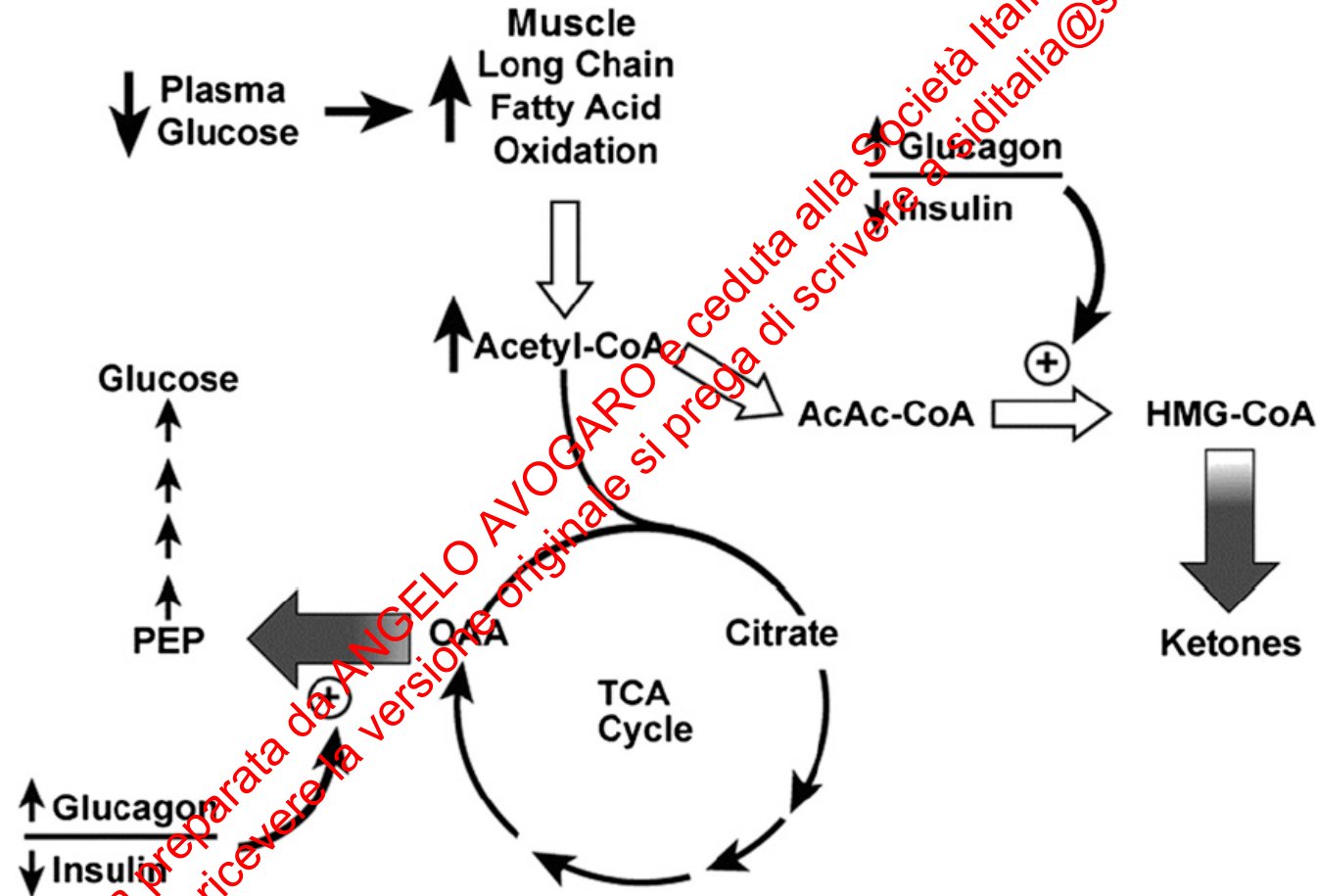


# Potential mechanisms whereby adjunctive therapy with SGLT2 inhibitors may promote ketosis

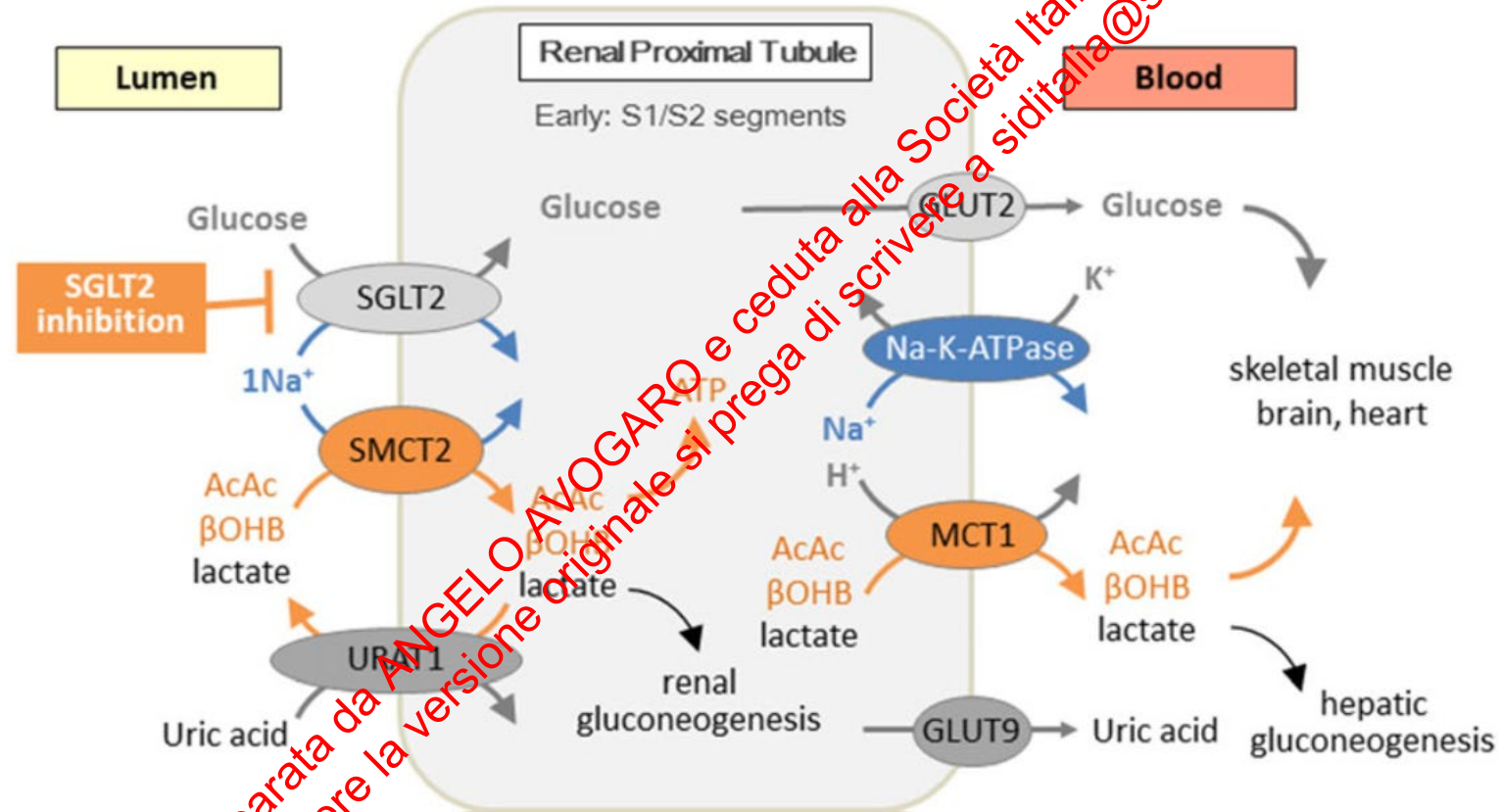


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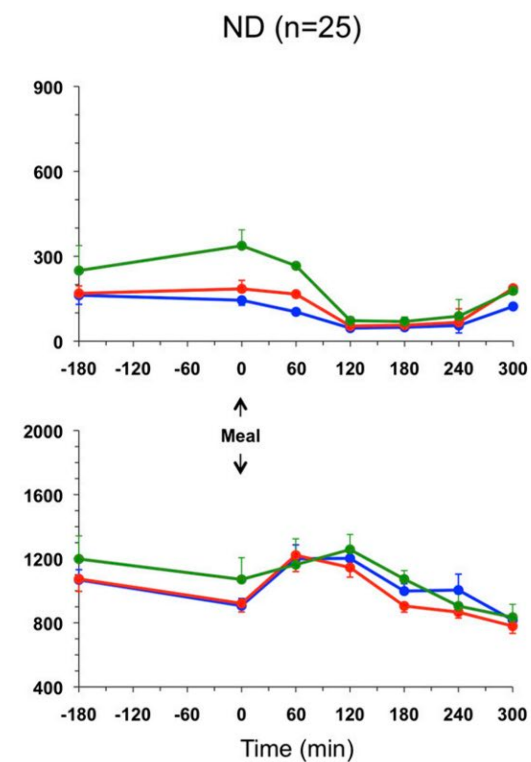
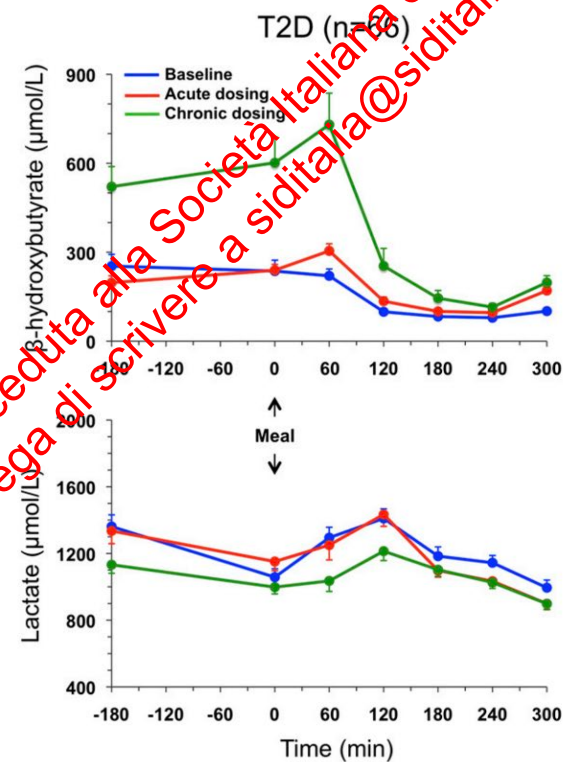
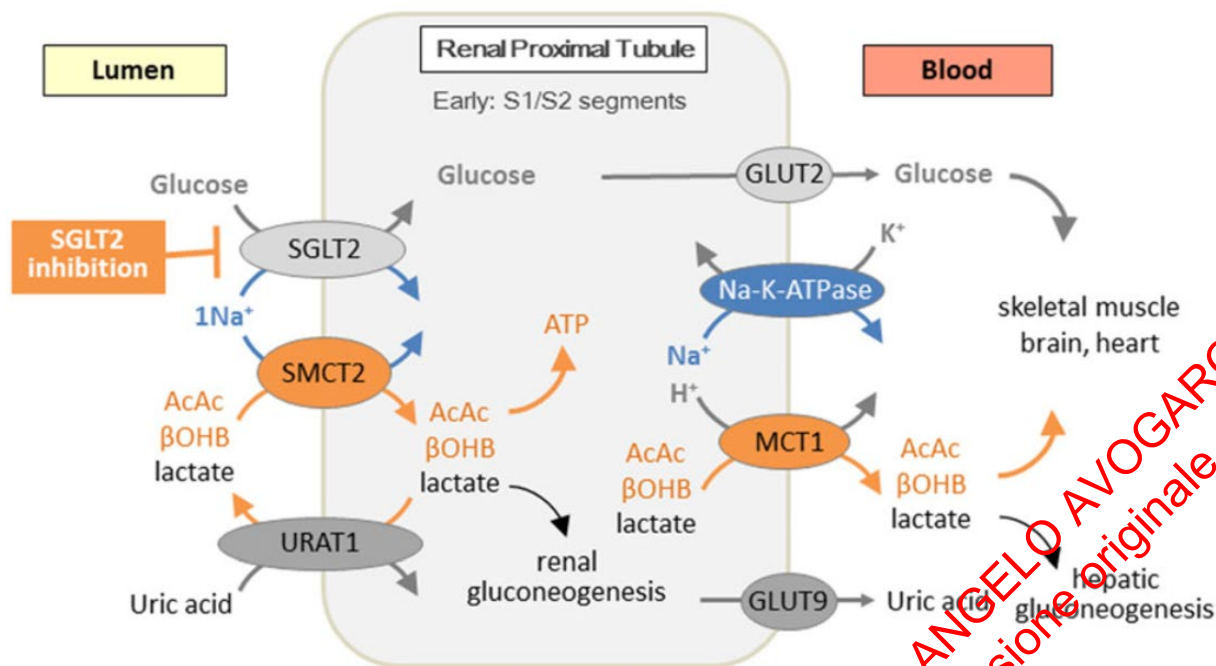
# Schematic representation of the effect of SGLT2 inhibition on the stimulation of hepatic ketogenesis



# SGLT2i activate sodium-dependent monocarboxylate transporters



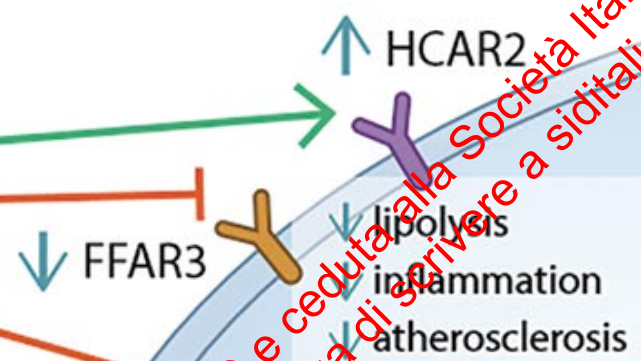
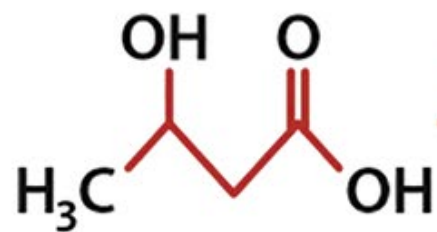
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3-hydroxybutyrate



↓ NLRP3

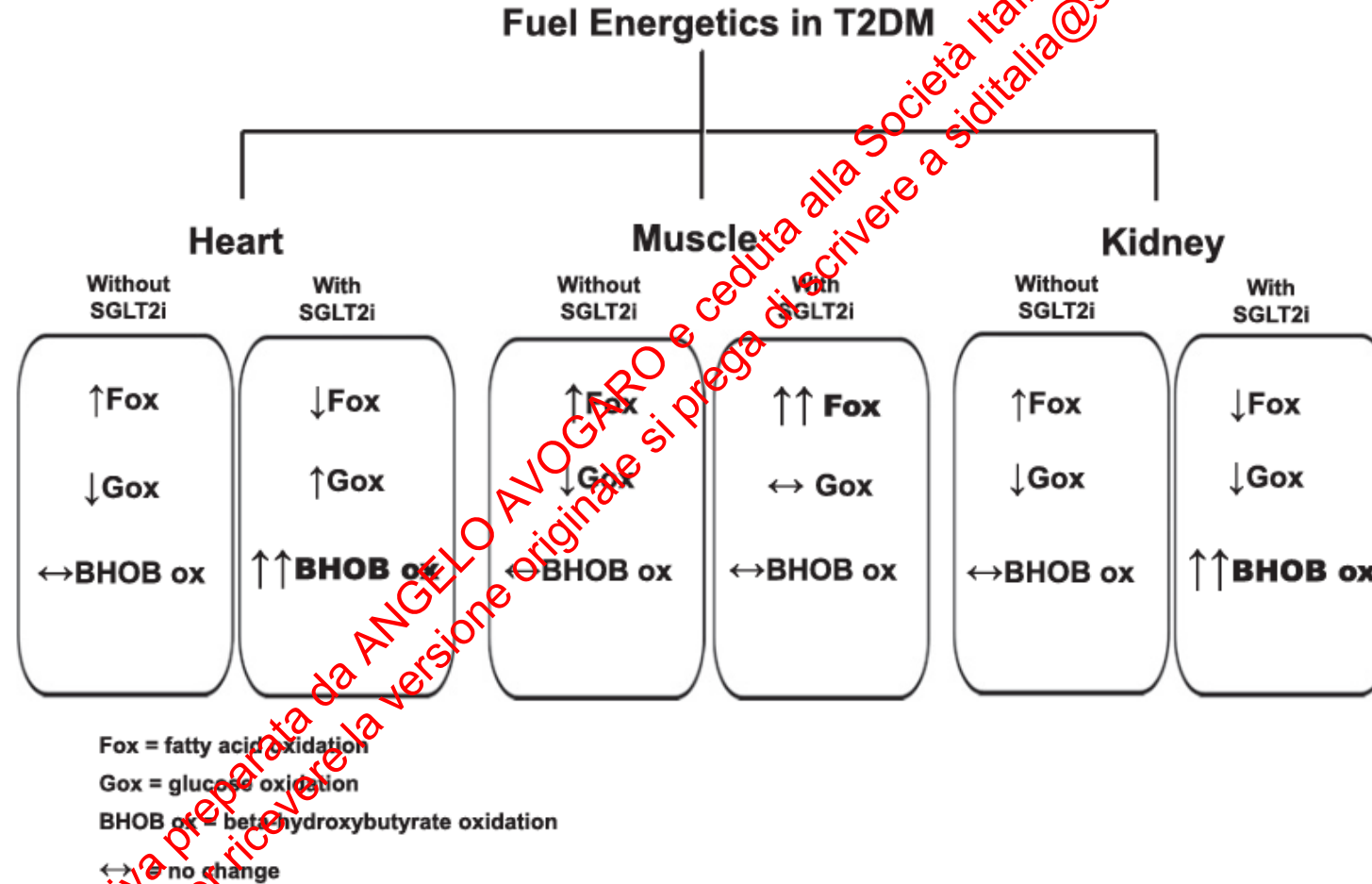
- ↓ inflammation
- tp 2 diabetes
- atherosclerosis
- neurodegeneration

↓ HDAC

- ↓ oxidative stress
- ↓ carcinogenesis
- ↓ angiogenesis

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# Postulated changes in whole-body and organ fuel energetics in T2DM before and after SGLT2 inhibitor (SGLT2i) therapy.



# Heart Energetics

**TABLE 1** Substrate Energetics in Mitochondrial Oxidative Phosphorylation

| Substrate | Per 1 Molecule of Substrate |                 | P/O Ratio | O <sub>2</sub> Use (l/mol) | Energy Released (kcal/mol) |                           |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
|           | Molecules of                | Atoms of        |           |                            | Per Molecule               | Per C <sub>2</sub> Moiety |
|           | ATPs Produced               | Oxygen Consumed |           |                            |                            |                           |
| Glucose   | 31                          | 12              | 2.58      | 134                        | 671                        | 224                       |
| Pyruvate  | 12.5                        | 5               | 2.50      | 56                         | 279                        | 186                       |
| Ketones   | 20                          | 8               | 2.50      | 101                        | 487                        | 244                       |
| Palmitate | 105                         | 46              | 2.33      | 515                        | 2384                       | 298                       |

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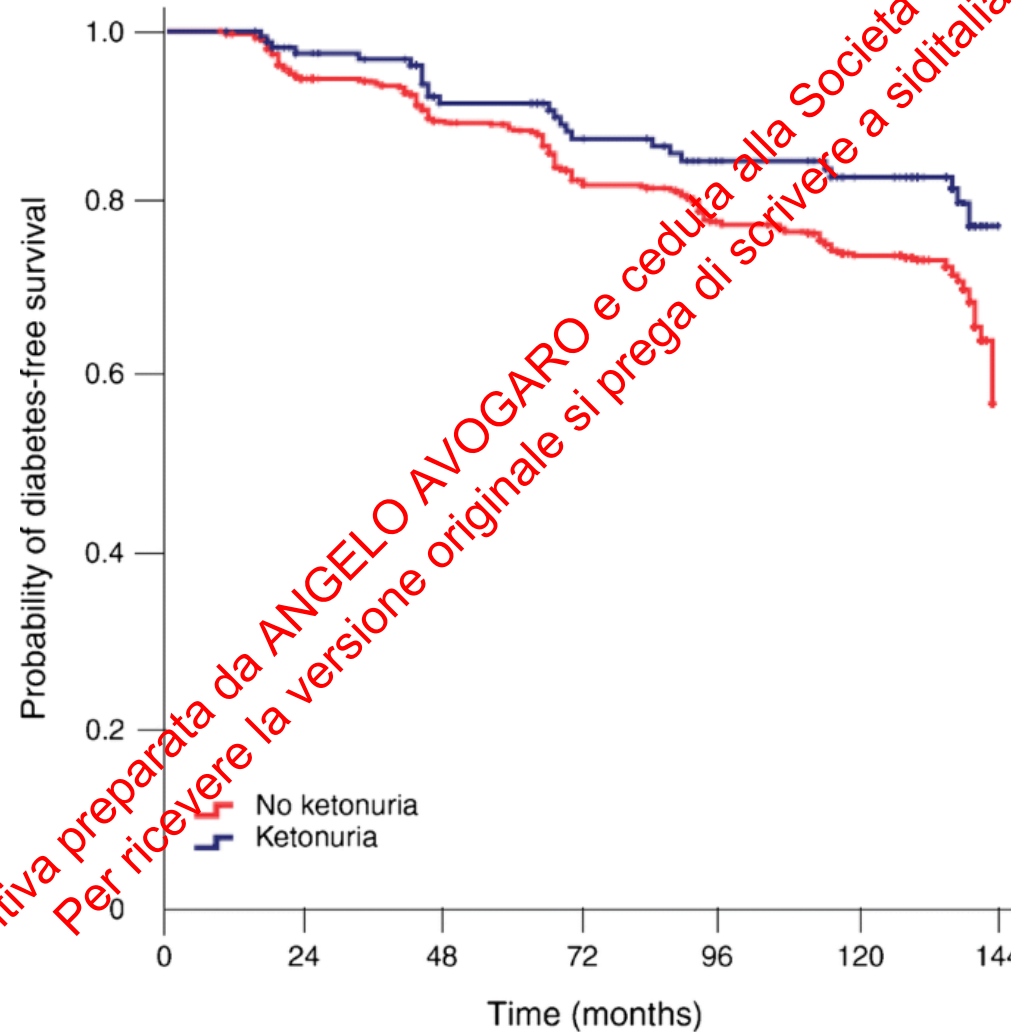
## B Improved Myocardial Function

### SGLT-2 Inhibitors

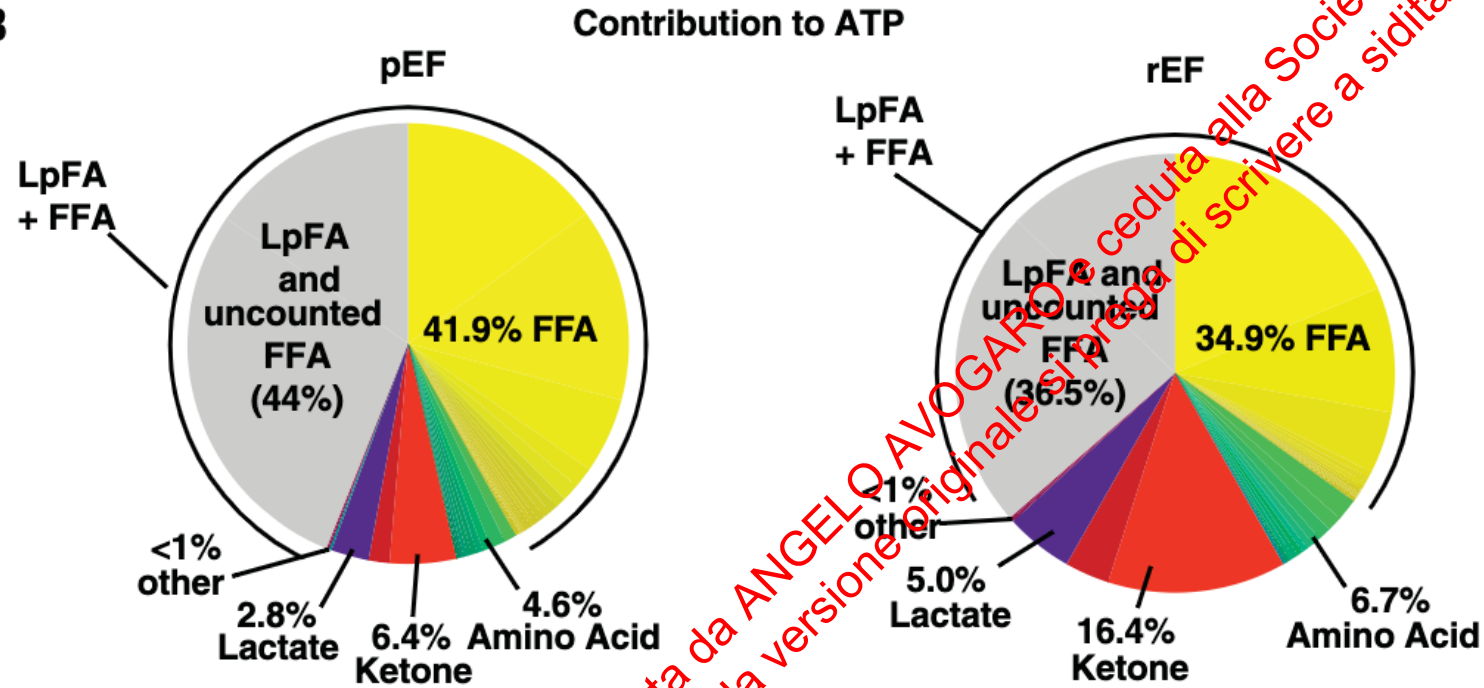
- SGLT-2 not expressed in the heart; connected to NHE3
- Increase in FA, ketone and BCAA oxidation
  - Provision of extra fuel for the energy-starved heart
  - ↑ Myocardial ATP content



# Twelve year diabetes-free survival according to baseline ketonuria

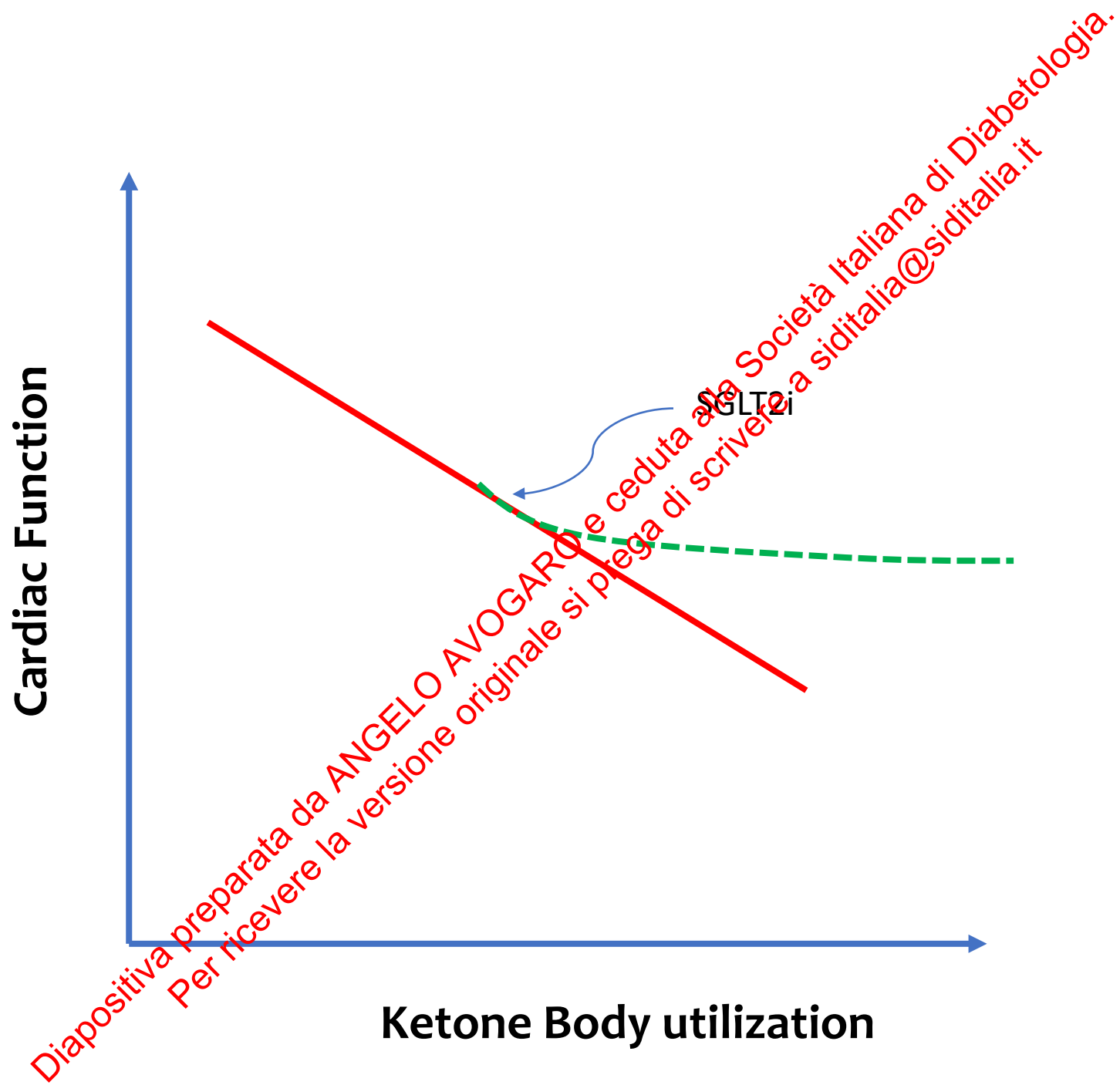


**B**

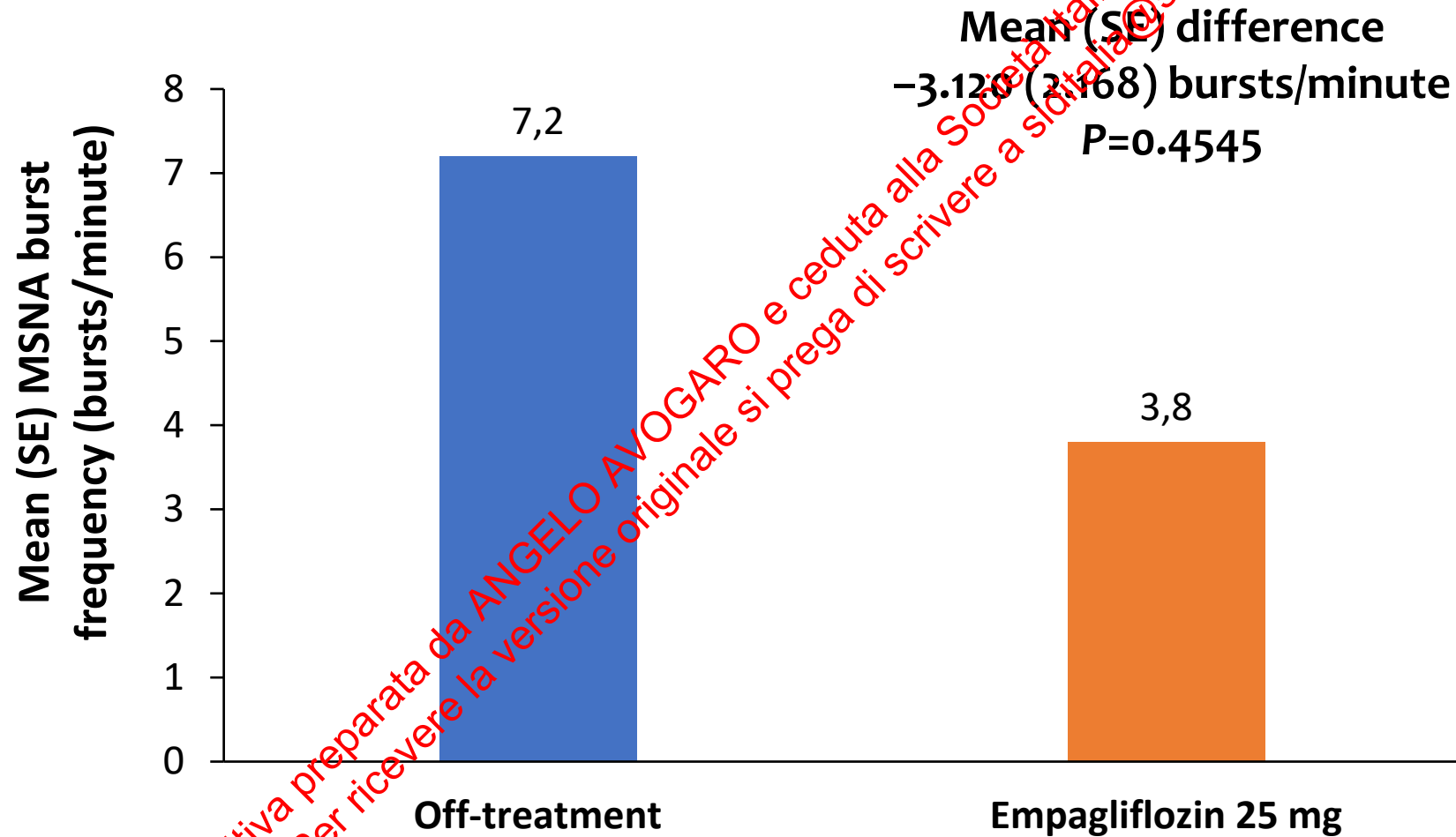


Substrate-specific contribution to cardiac ATP generation in patients with preserved ejection fraction (pEF) versus reduced ejection fraction (rEF)

*Murashige et al. Science 2020*

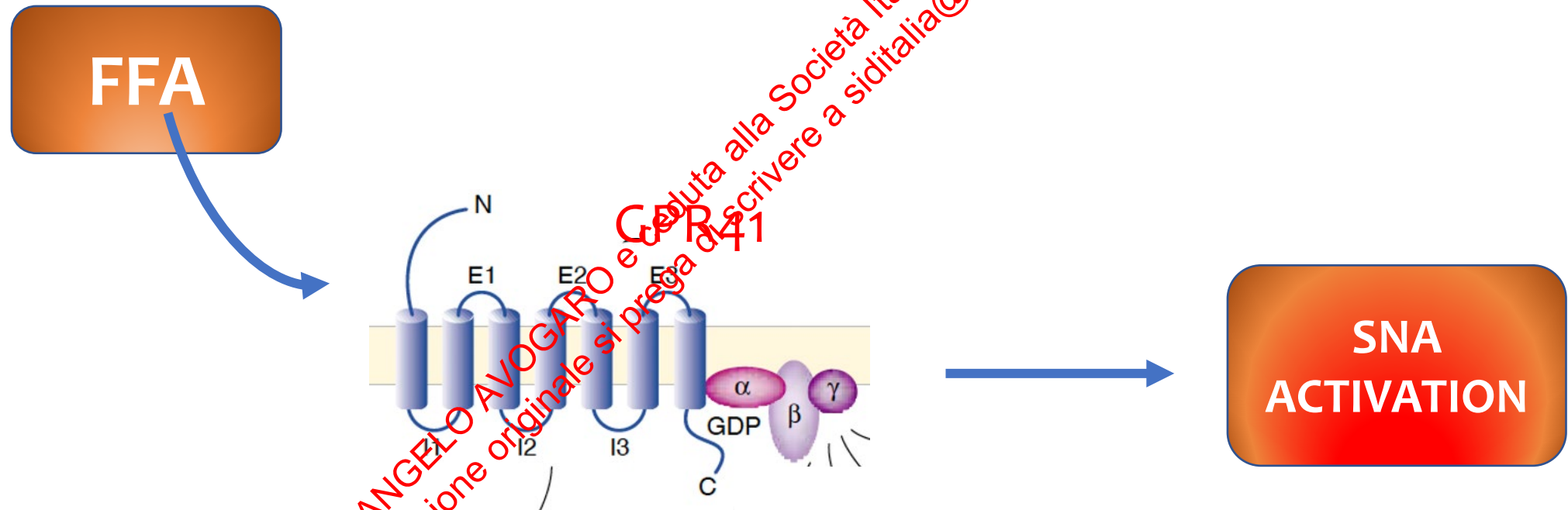


# Effect of empagliflozin on muscle sympathetic nerve activity in patients with T2D

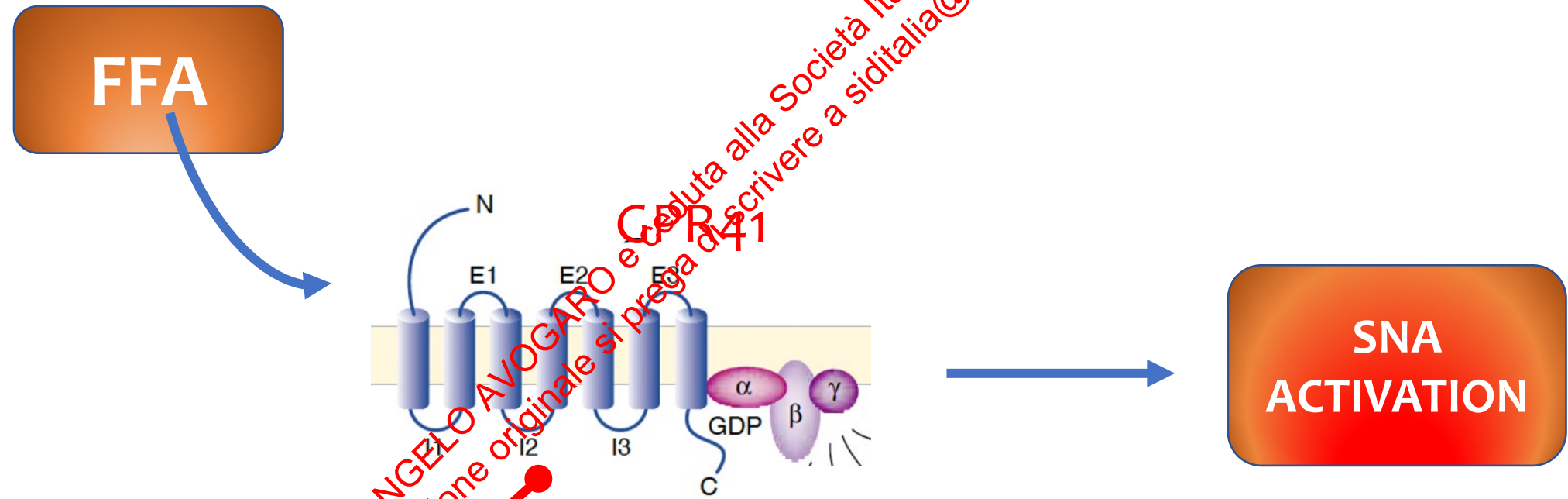


- MSNA, muscle sympathetic nerve activity; SE, standard error; T2D, Type 2 diabetes
- Jordan J, et al. J Am Soc Hypertens 2017;11:604–612

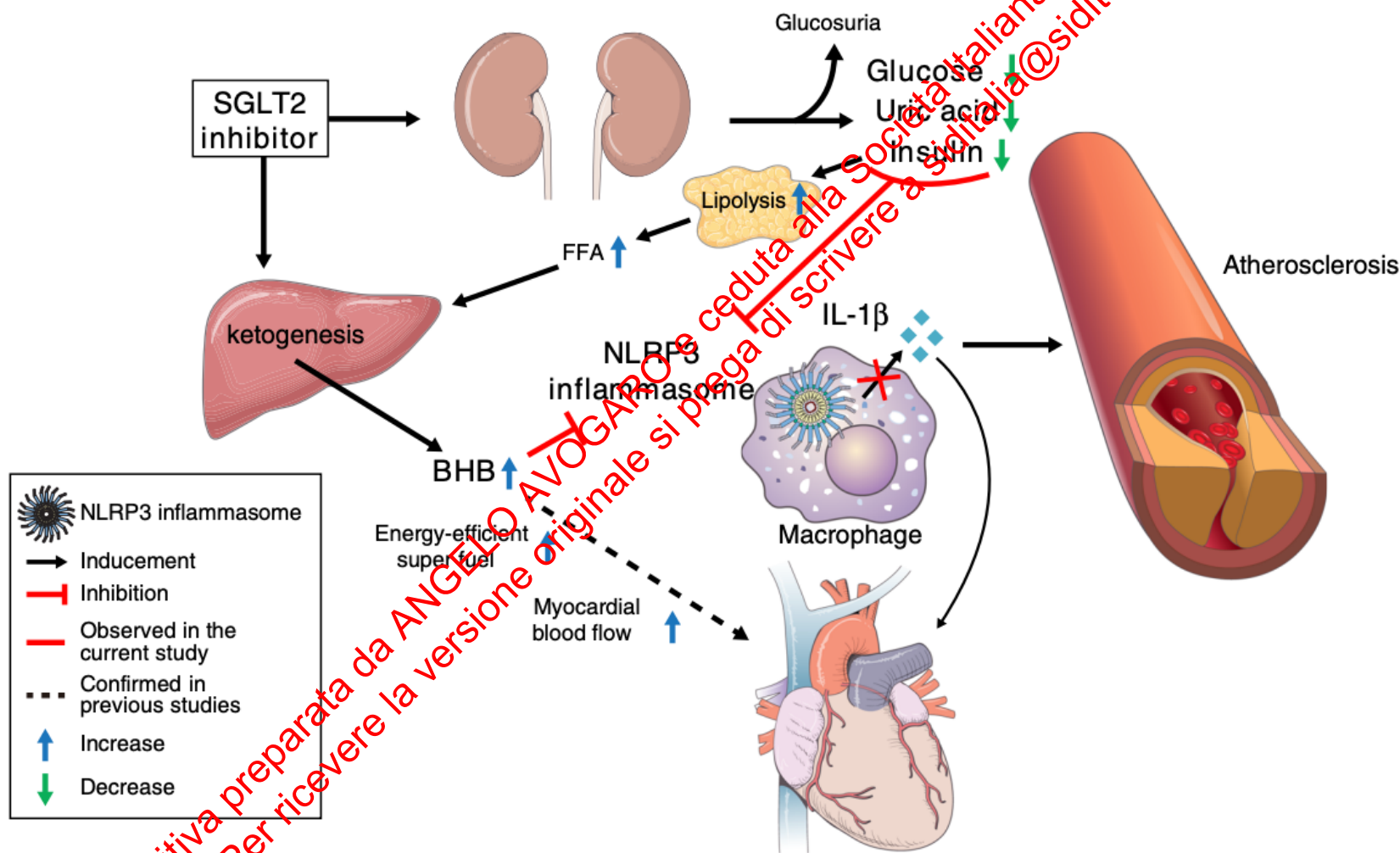
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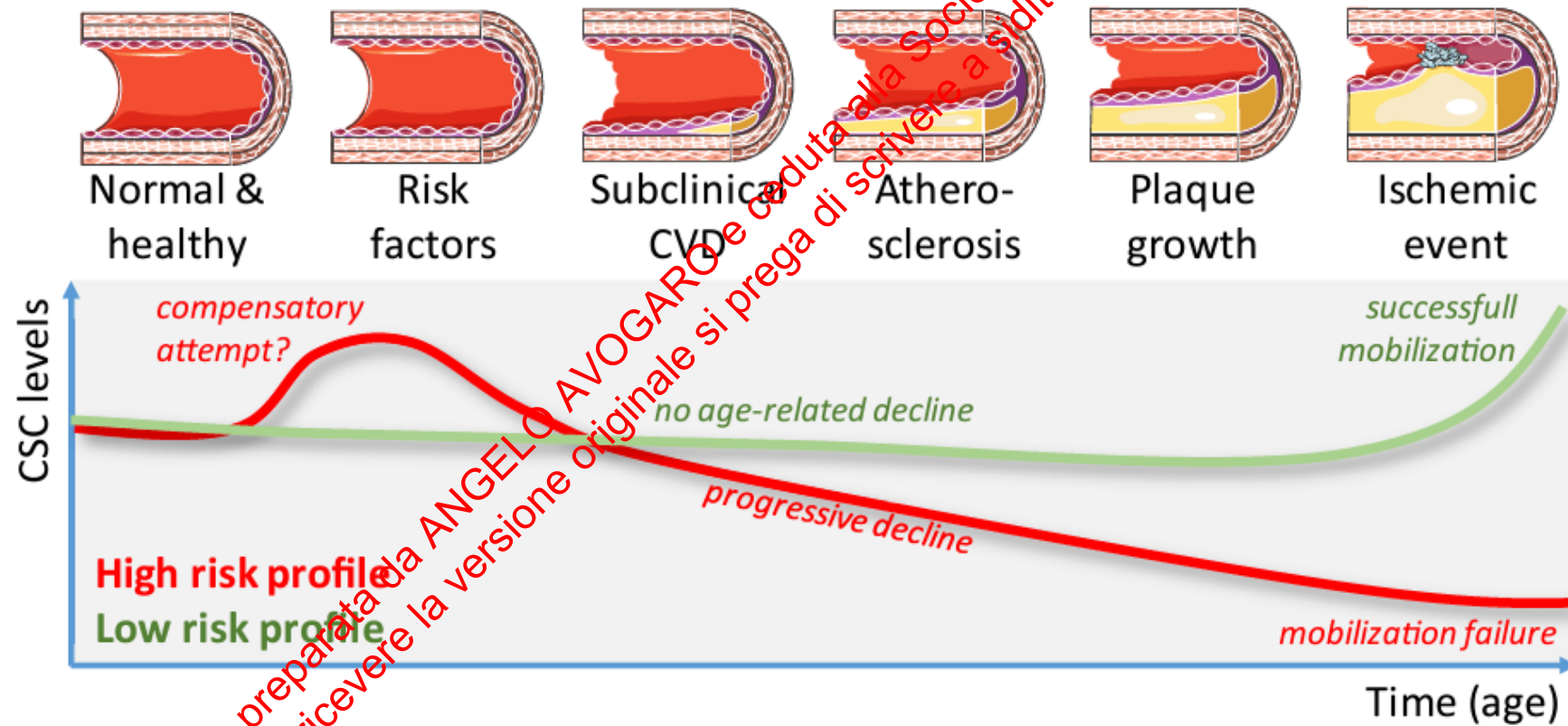
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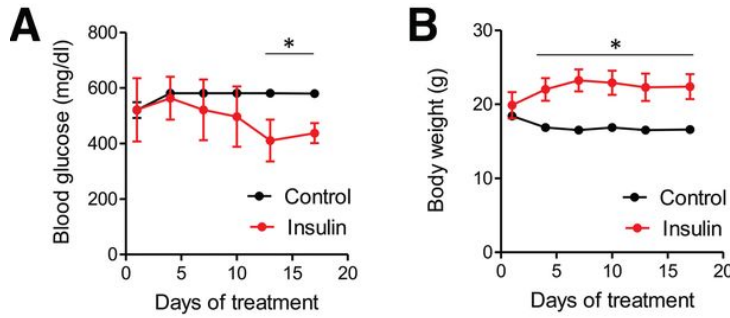
# Scheme representing the proposed effects of SGLT2 inhibitor on NLRP3 inflammasome activation



# Circulating stem cells and the natural history of atherosclerosis

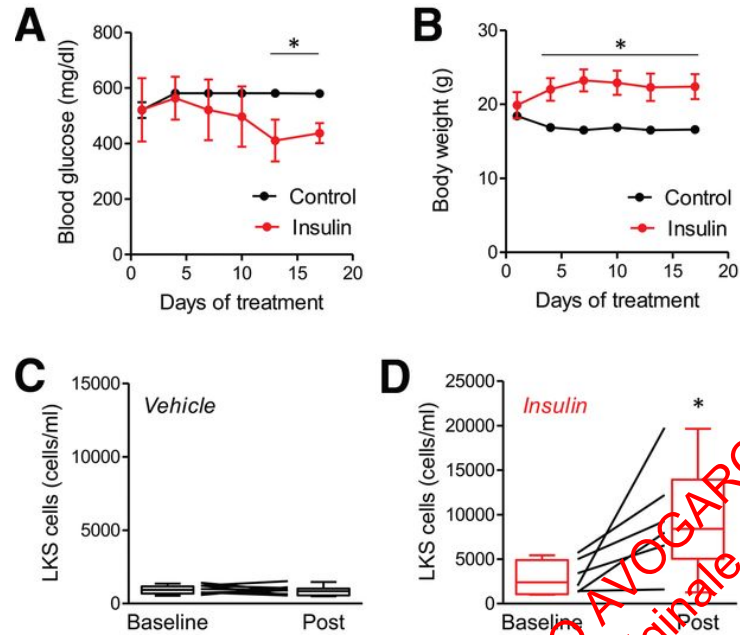


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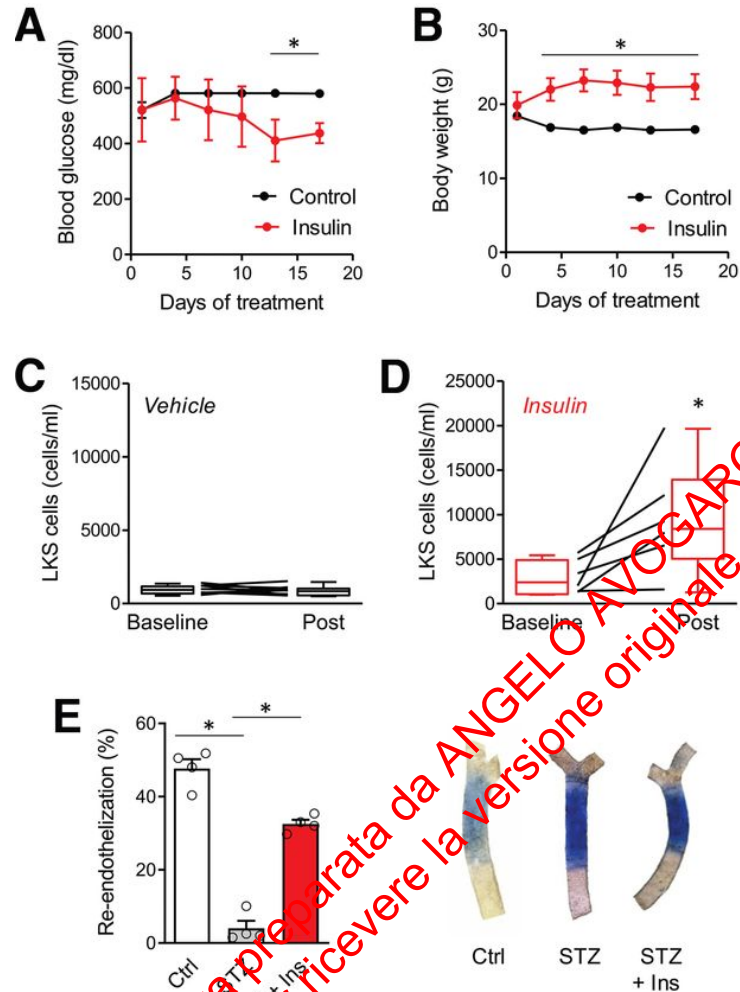


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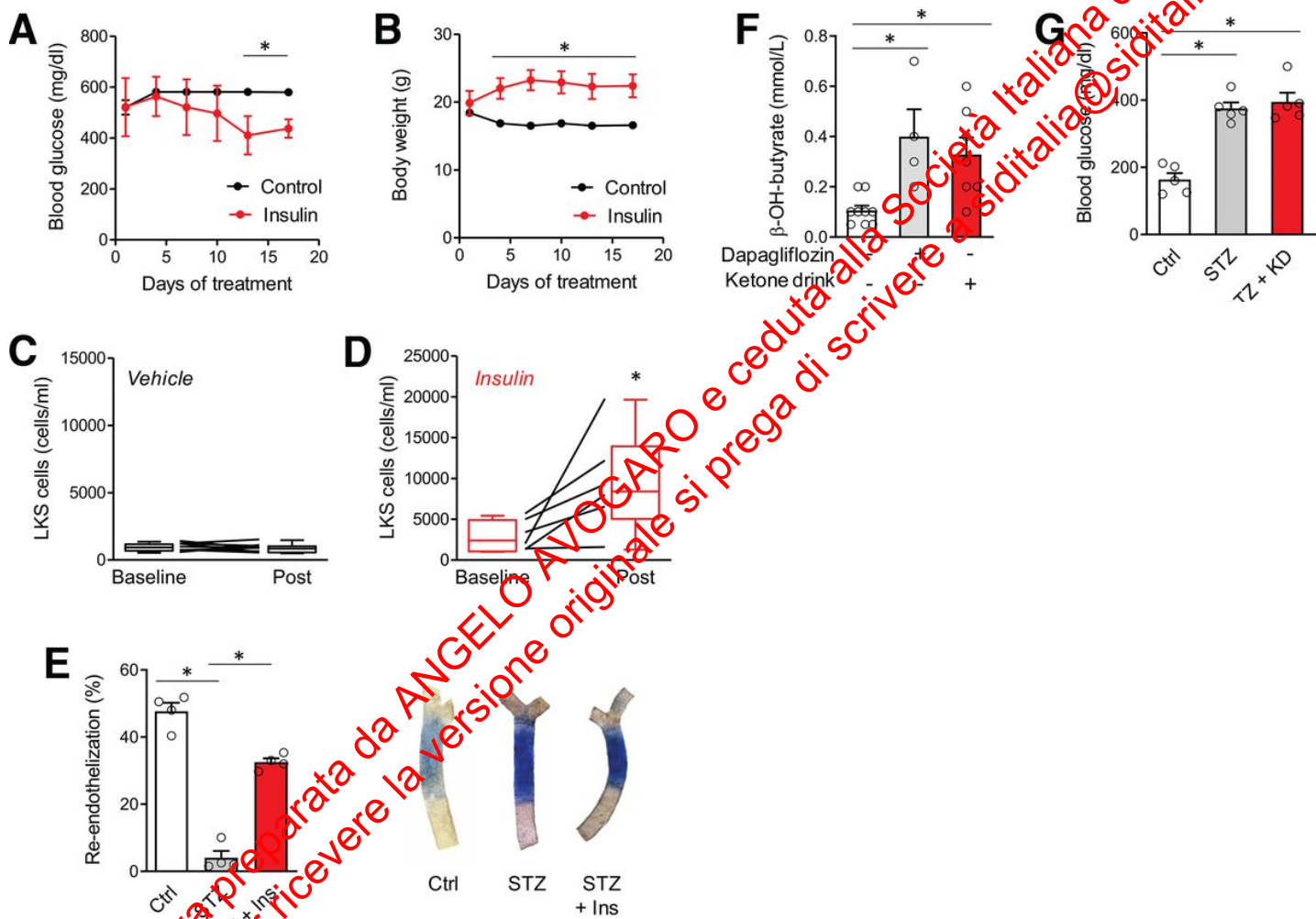
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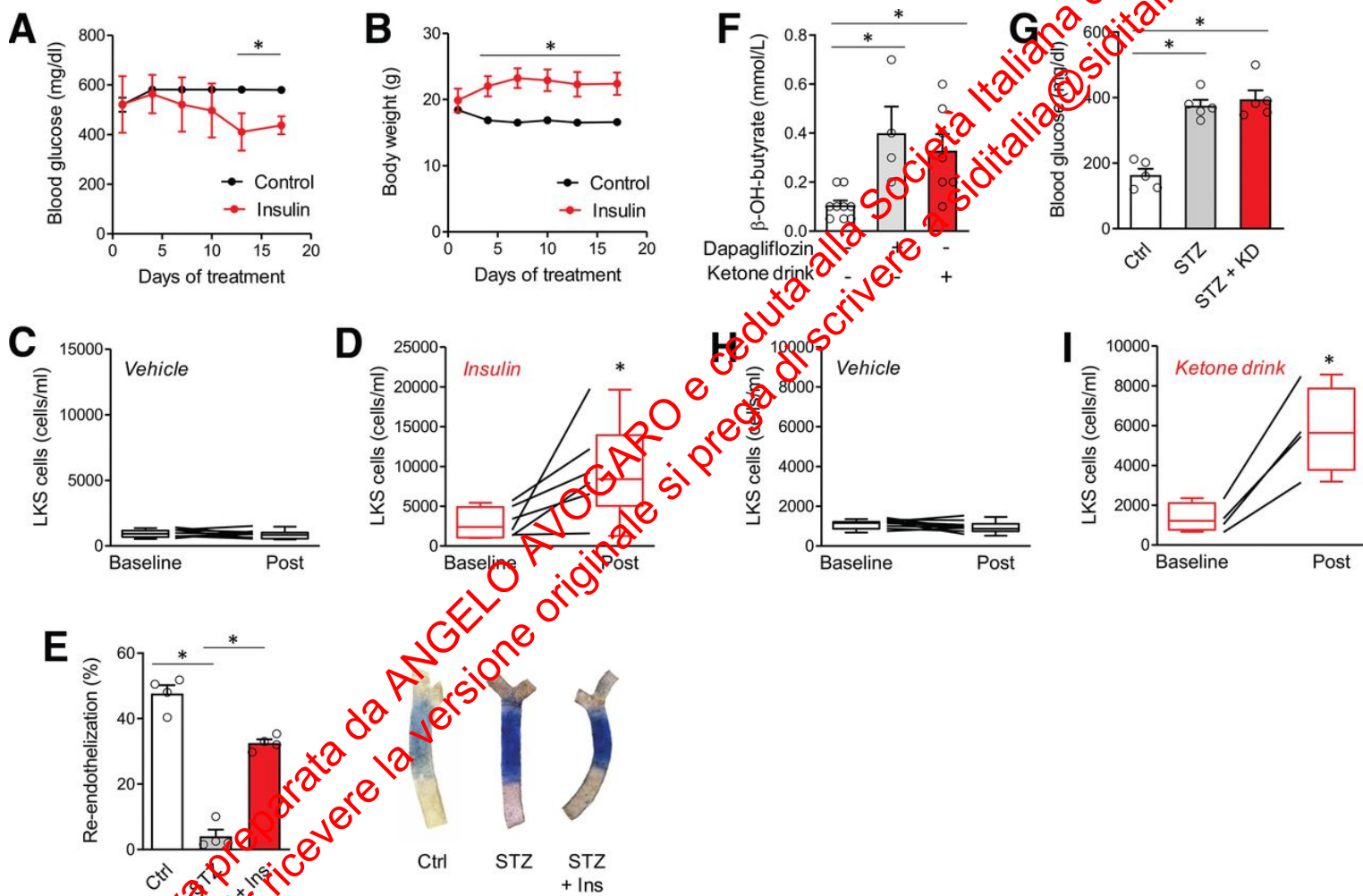
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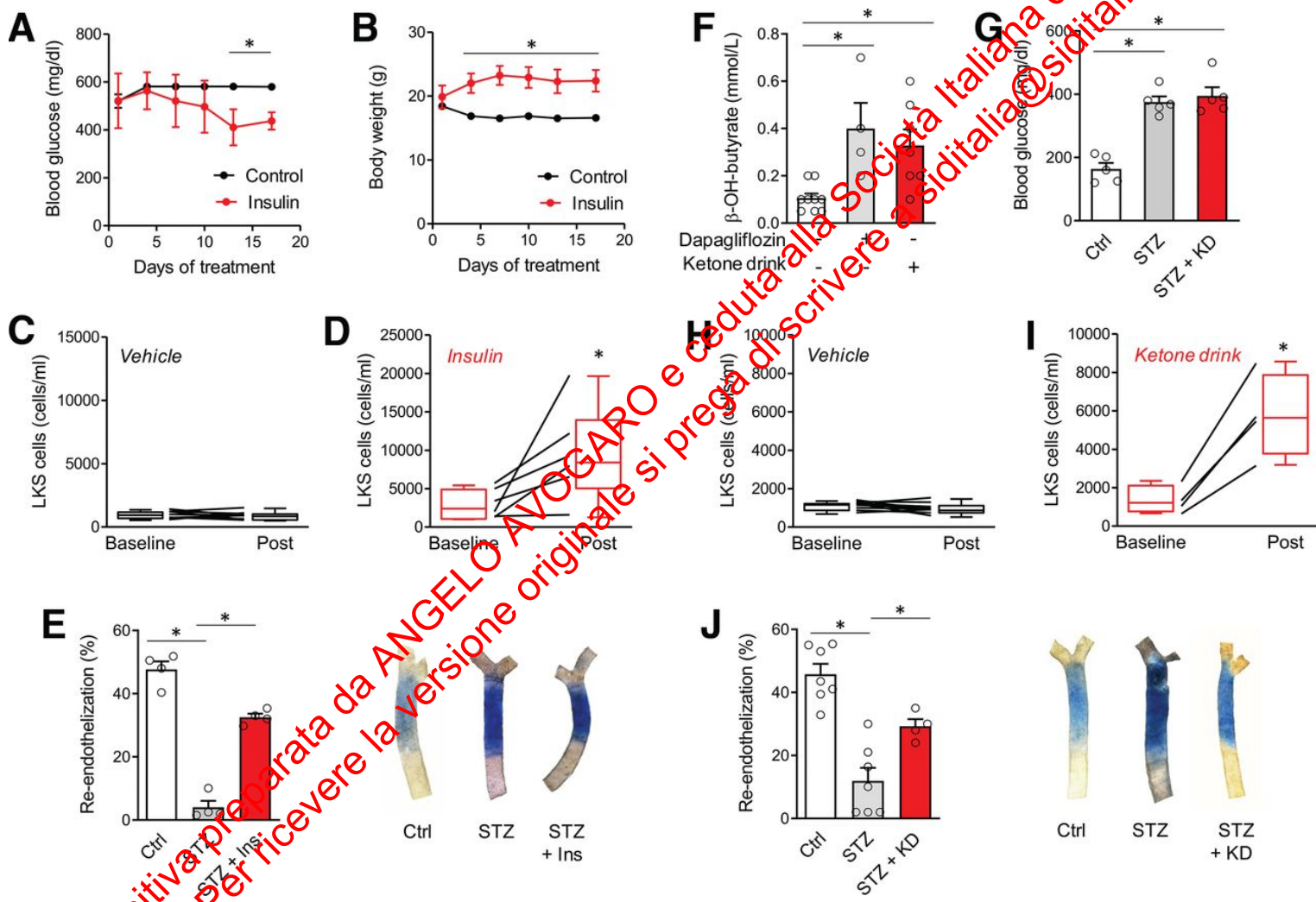
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# Euglycemic Diabetic Ketoacidosis: A Potential Complication of Treatment With Sodium–Glucose Cotransporter 2 Inhibition

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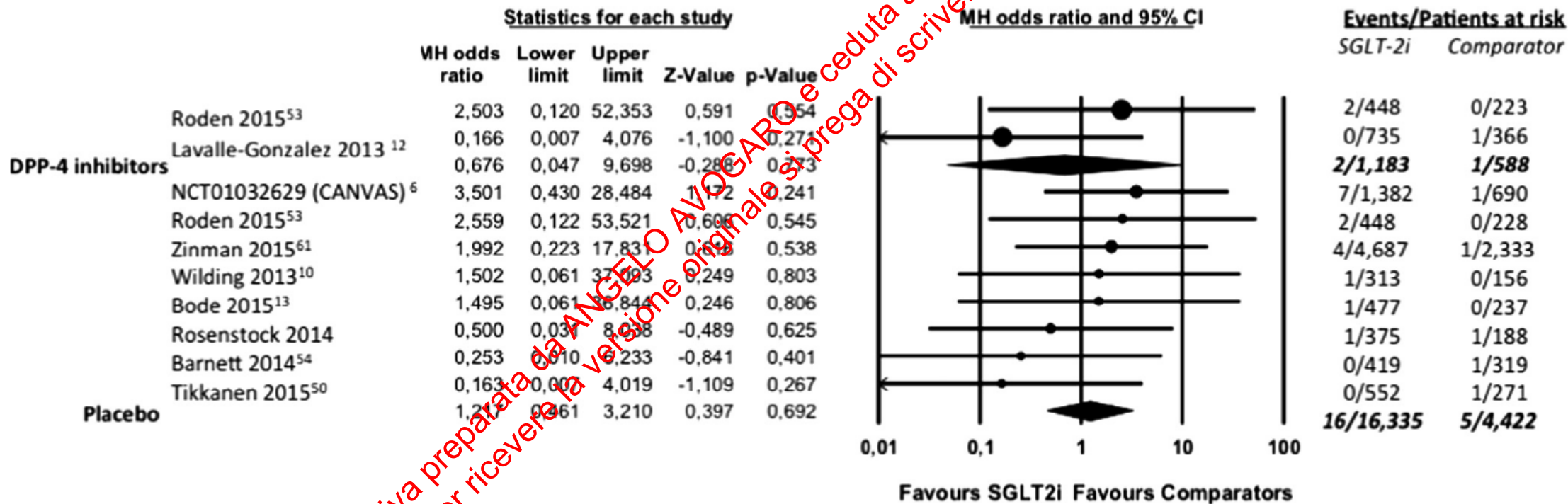
Table 1—Clinical characteristics of euDKA cases

| Case patient                               | 1                     | 2                    | 3            | 4          | 5          | 6                 | 7           | 8          | 9          |           |                    |            |                       |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Age (years)                                | 40                    | 58                   | 27           | 28         | 31         | 35                | 26          | 39         | 64         |           |                    |            |                       |
| Sex                                        | Female                | Male                 | Female       | Female     | Female     | Female            | Female      | Female     | Female     |           |                    |            |                       |
| T1/T2                                      | T1                    | T2                   | T1           | T1         | T1         | T1                | T1          | T1         | T2         |           |                    |            |                       |
| MDI/CSII                                   | MDI                   | N/A                  | MDI          | CSII       | CSII       | CSII              | CSII        | CSII       | N/A        |           |                    |            |                       |
| Duration (years)                           | 17                    | 2                    | 25           | 6          | 15         | 18                | 13          | 26         | 6          |           |                    |            |                       |
| BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )                   | 26.5                  | 26.5                 | 24.3         | 25.9       | 33.2       | 22.0              | 22.0        | 26.1       | 32.8       |           |                    |            |                       |
| Prior A1C [% (mmol/mol)]                   | 11.4 (101.1)          | 9.8 (83.6)           | 7.8 (61.7)   | 8.0 (63.9) | 7.0 (53.0) | 7.2 (55.2)        | 6.6 (48.6)  | 7.0 (53.0) | 7.8 (62.0) |           |                    |            |                       |
| Canagliflozin dose (mg)                    | 300                   | 300                  | 300          | 100        | 300        | 100               | 300         | 300        | 300        |           |                    |            |                       |
| Potential contributors                     | URI                   | Surgery 1 week prior | URI, alcohol | Alcohol    | Alcohol    | Exercise, alcohol | Exercise    | GI         | None       | URI       | Surgery 12 h prior |            |                       |
| Insulin dose reduction just prior to euDKA | Yes                   | N/A                  | Yes          | No         | Yes        | Yes               | Yes         | Unknown    | No         | No        | No                 | Yes        | N/A                   |
| Presenting plasma glucose [mg/dL (mmol/L)] | 220 (12.2)            | 150 (8.3)            | 150 (8.3)    | 96 (5.3)   | 224 (12.4) | 158 (8.8)         | ~125 (~6.9) | 203 (11.3) | 190 (10.6) | 150 (8.3) |                    | 233 (12.9) | 169 (9.4)             |
| pH                                         | 6.9                   | 7.12                 | 6.89         |            |            |                   |             |            | 7.15       |           |                    |            |                       |
| Pco <sub>2</sub> (mmHg)                    | 10                    |                      |              |            |            |                   |             |            | 26         |           |                    |            |                       |
| Bicarbonate (mEq/L)                        | 6                     | 10                   | 6            |            | 11         | 18                |             | 15         | 9          |           |                    | 9          | 13 and then 5         |
| Anion gap (mEq/L)                          | 25                    | 17                   | 35           |            | 22         | 18                |             | 26         | 21         |           |                    | 24         | 16 and then 19        |
| Ketones*                                   | Yes (serum and urine) | Yes                  | Yes          | Yes        | Yes        | Yes               | Yes         | Yes        | Yes        | Yes       | Yes                | Yes        | Yes (serum and urine) |
| Where treated                              | ICU                   | ICU                  | ICU          | Outpt.     | ICU        | Inpt.             | Outpt.      | ICU        | ICU        | Outpt.    | Outpt.             | ICU        | ICU                   |

CSII, continuous subcutaneous insulin infusion; GI, gastrointestinal; Inpt., inpatient; N/A, not available; Outpt., outpatient. \*Urine ketones were strongly positive in all cases.

# Effects of SGLT-2 inhibitors on diabetic ketoacidosis: A meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials

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# Conclusioni

1. Gli SGLT2 inibitori inducono un modesto incremento dei corpi chetonici circolanti
2. Tale aumento è determinato da un'aumentata produzione epatica e da un aumentato riassorbimento renale dei corpi chetonici
3. I corpi chetoni svolgono molteplici azioni positive, soprattutto a livello cardiaco
4. Una restrizione calorica, una dieta chetogenica o un'importante ingestione di alcool possono esporre al rischio di chetoacidosi in pazienti trattati con SGLT2i
5. Gli SGLT2i hanno modificato la percezione del significato fisiologico dei corpi chetonici

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