



Ramifications and implications on GLP-1 based therapies

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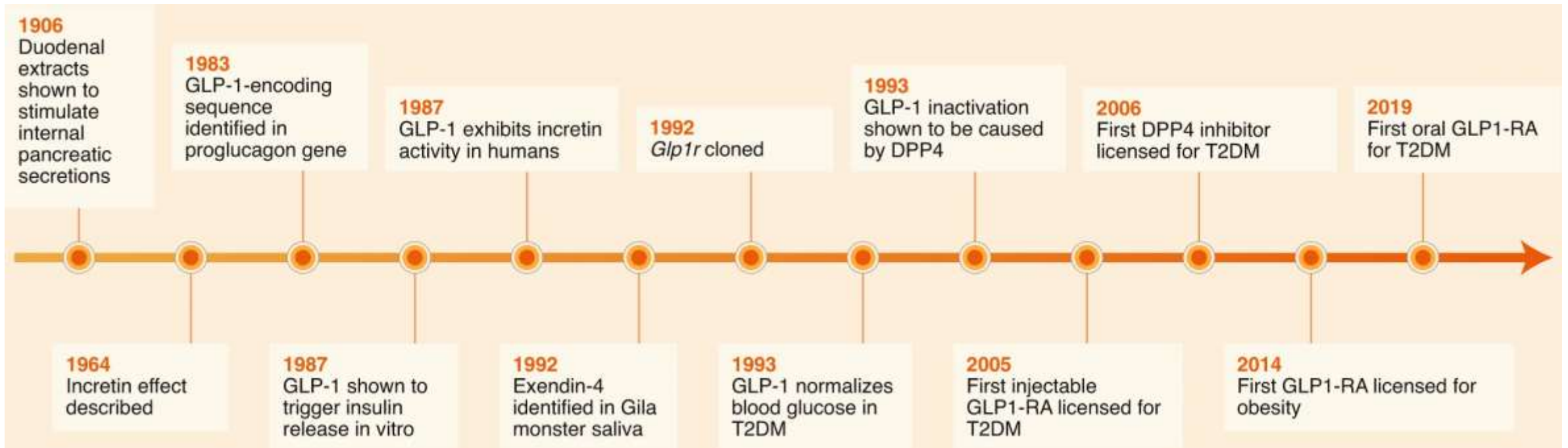
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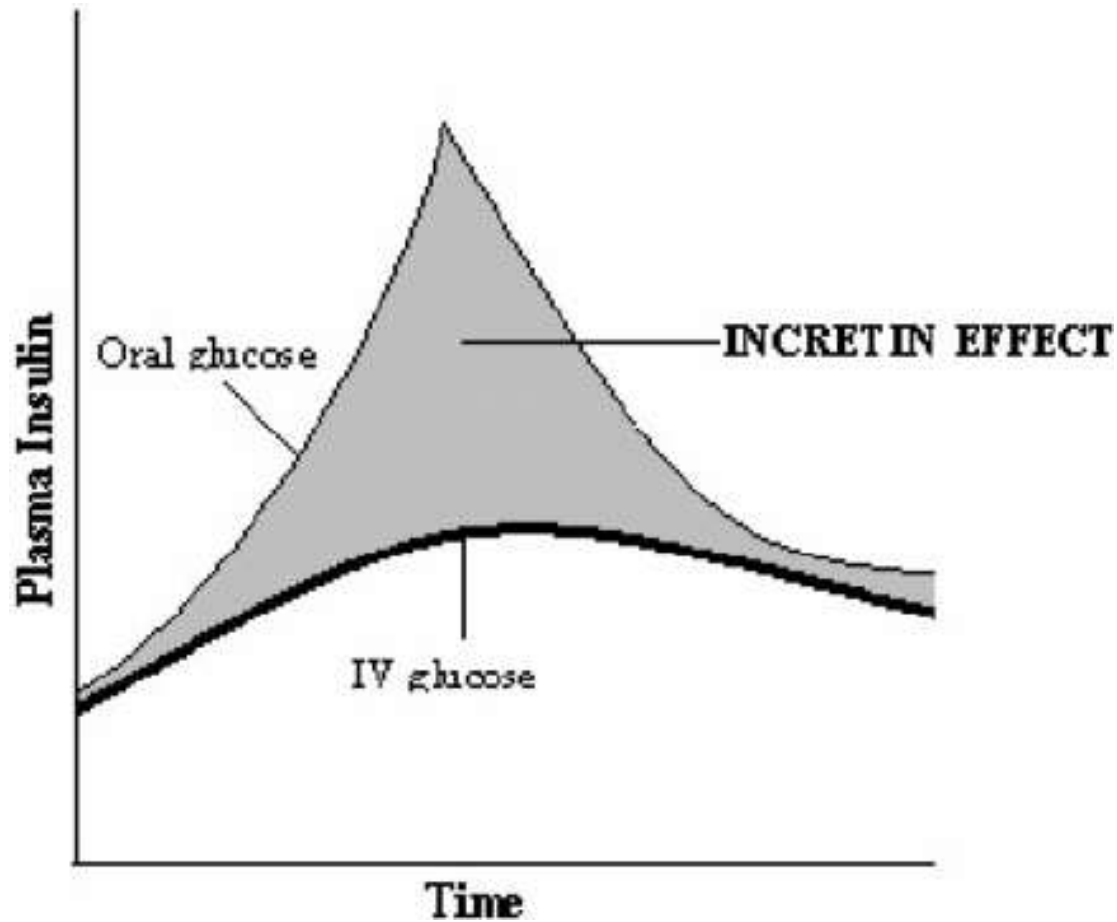
Objectives

- Discovery
- Mechanisms of Action
- Creating GLP-1 agonists
- Landmark Studies
- Efficacy & Safety
- Adverse Events
- GLP-1 and Endoscopy

Timeline

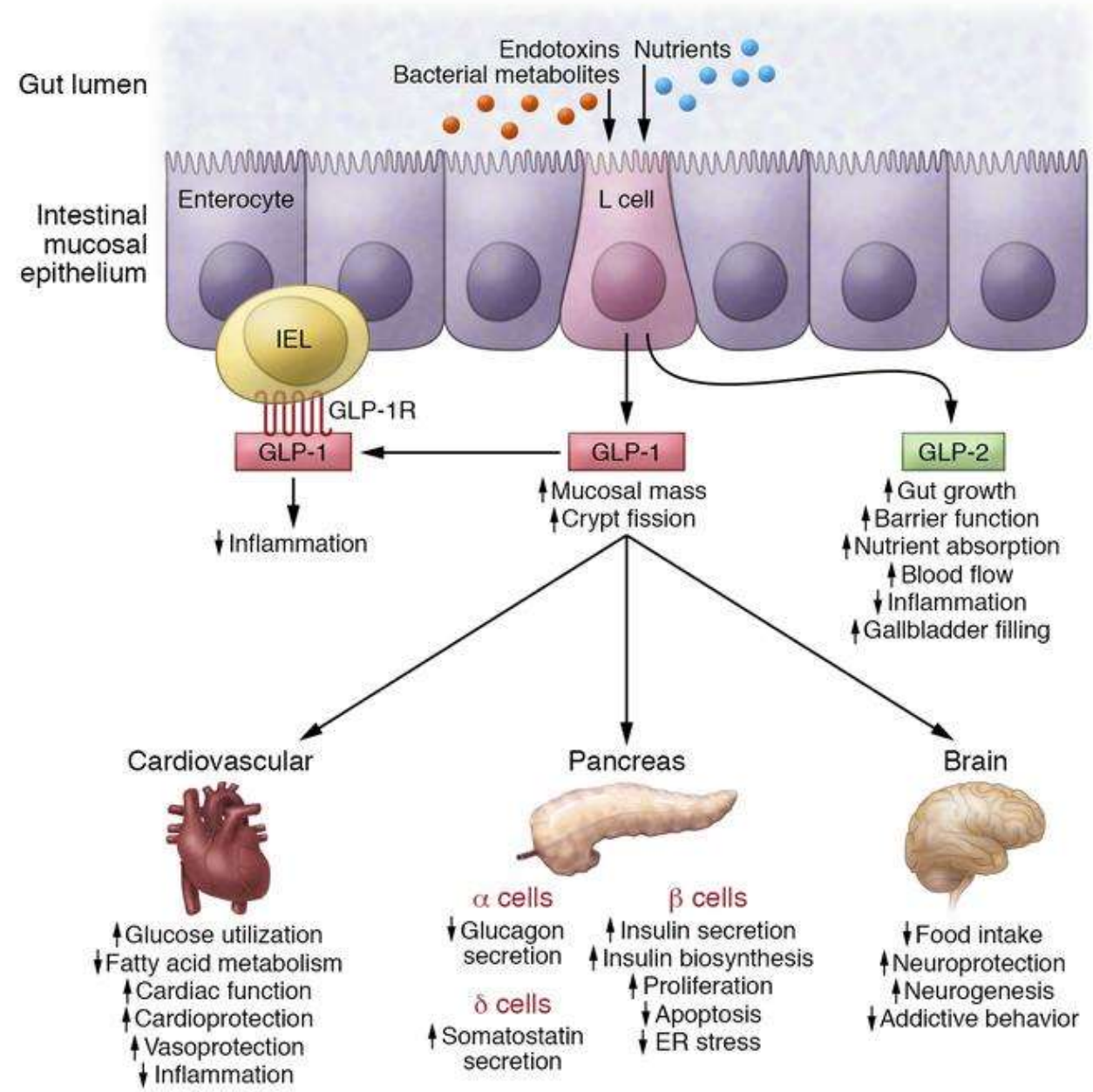


Discovery

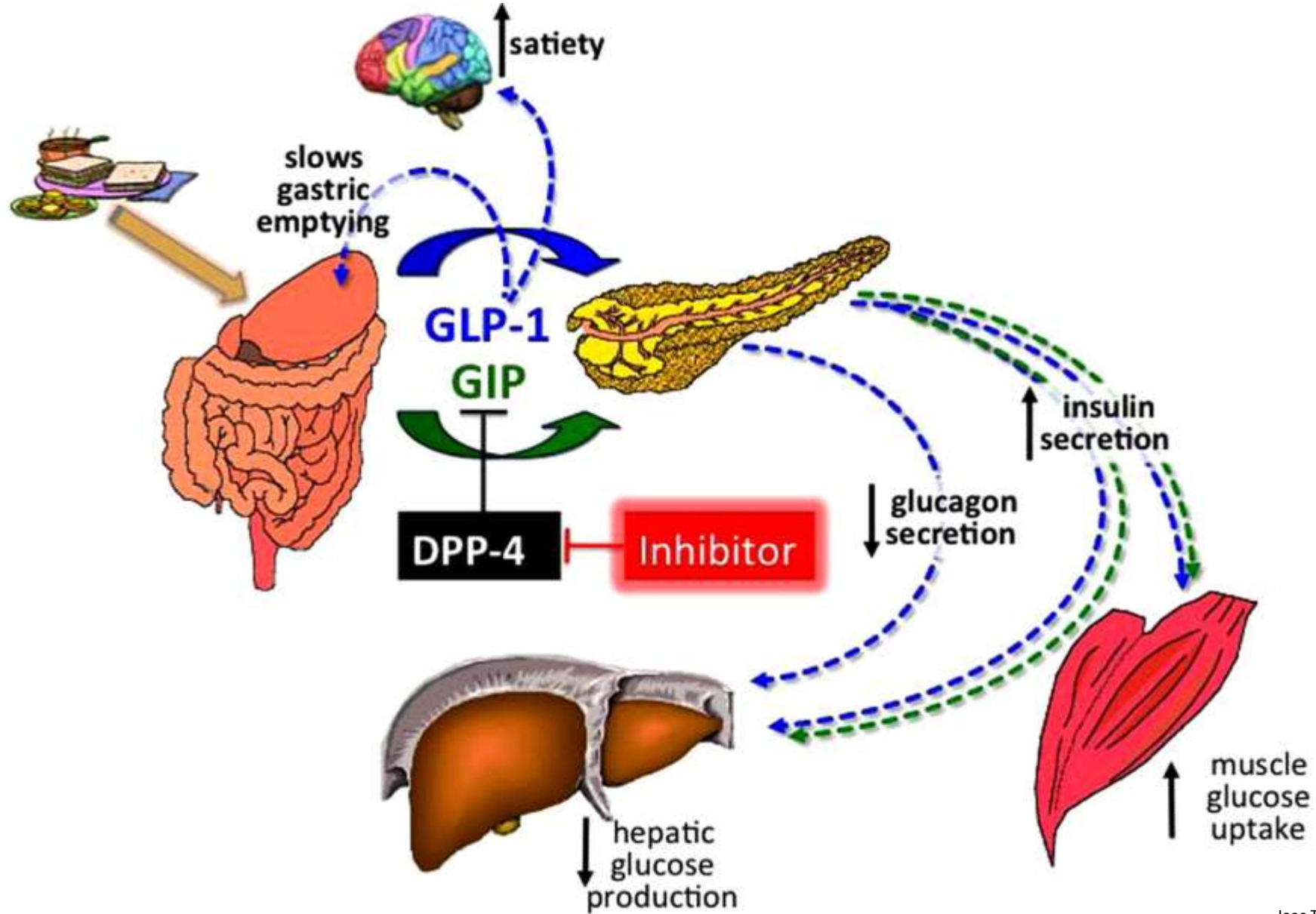


- Incretin effect
 - Hyperglycemia alone is not the sole stimulator of insulin
 - Humoral substance released from the jejunum during glucose consumption leading to increased insulin production

Mechanism of Action

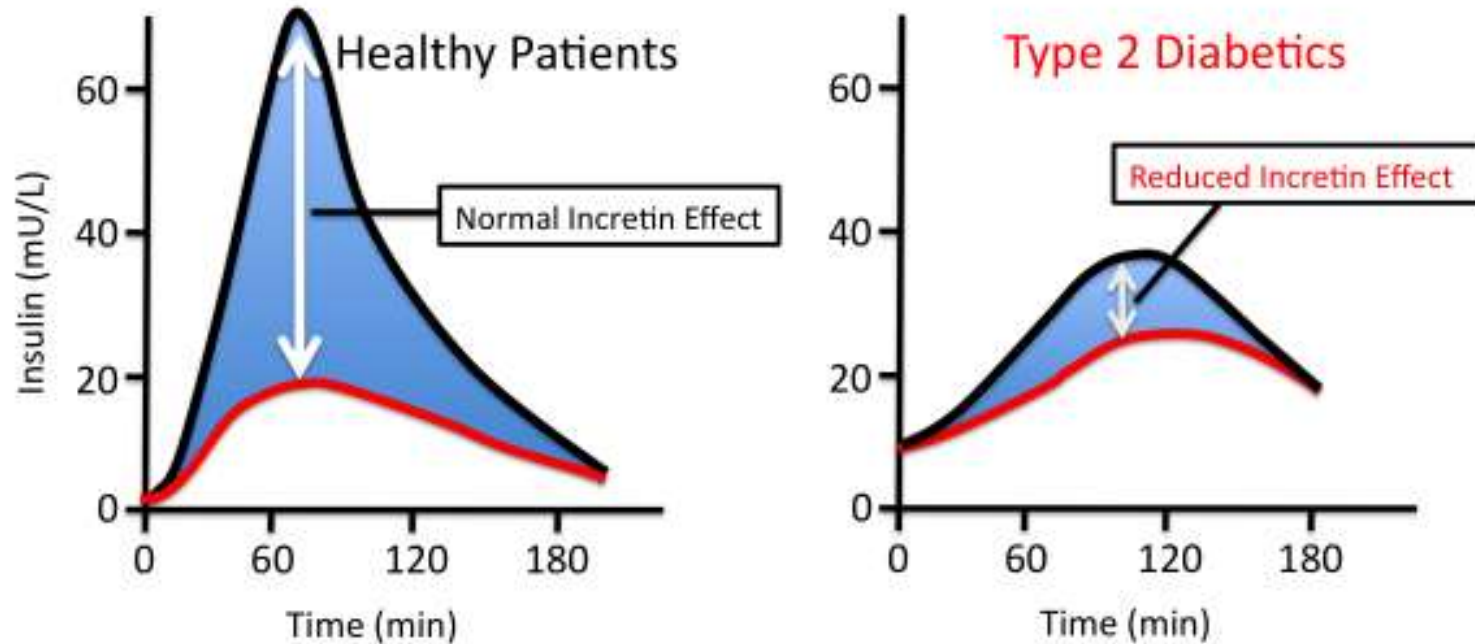


Mechanism of Action



Type 2 Diabetes

Diabetes & The “Incretin Effect”



— Oral Glucose (50 g/400 ml)
— Isoglycemic IV Glucose Infusion

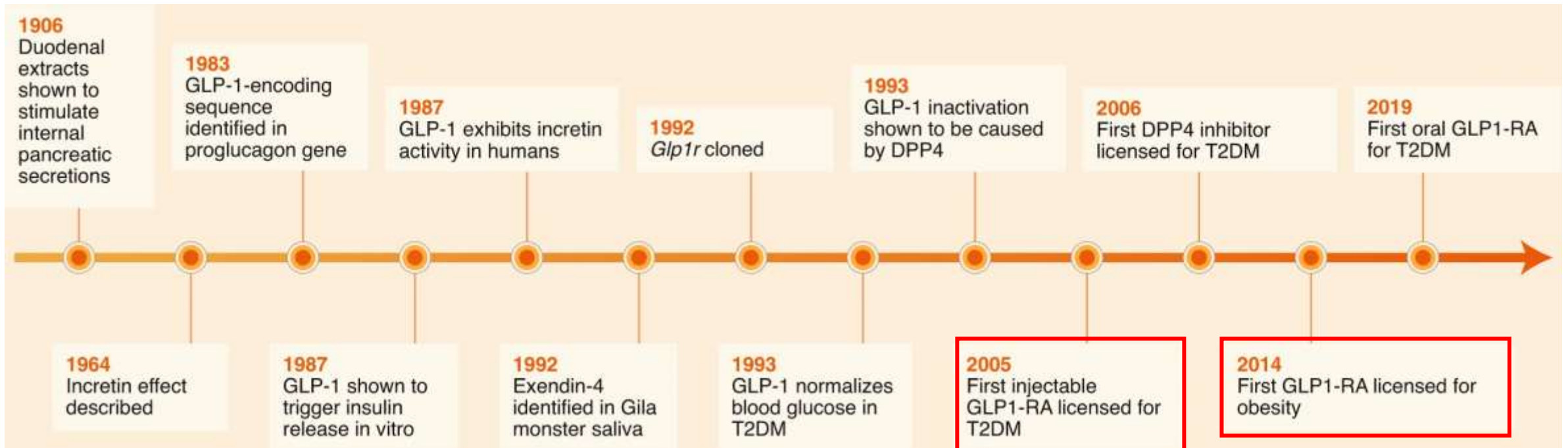
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Gila Monster

Exendin-4 in its saliva which is resistant to DPP-4

Timeline



Short-acting

Long-acting

Exenatide twice daily (4.2 kDa)



Lixisenatide (4.9 kDa)



Native human GLP1 (3.3 kDa)



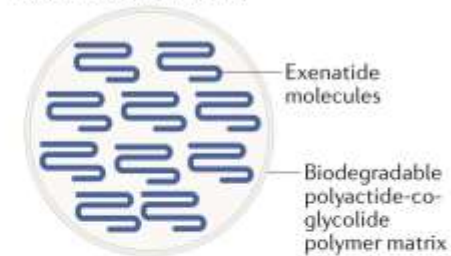
Liraglutide (3.8 kDa)



Albiglutide (73.0 kDa)



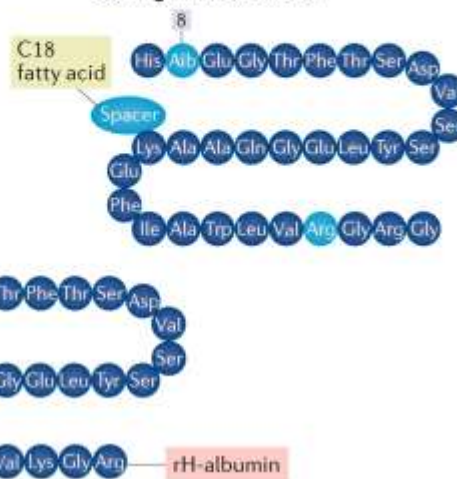
Exenatide once weekly



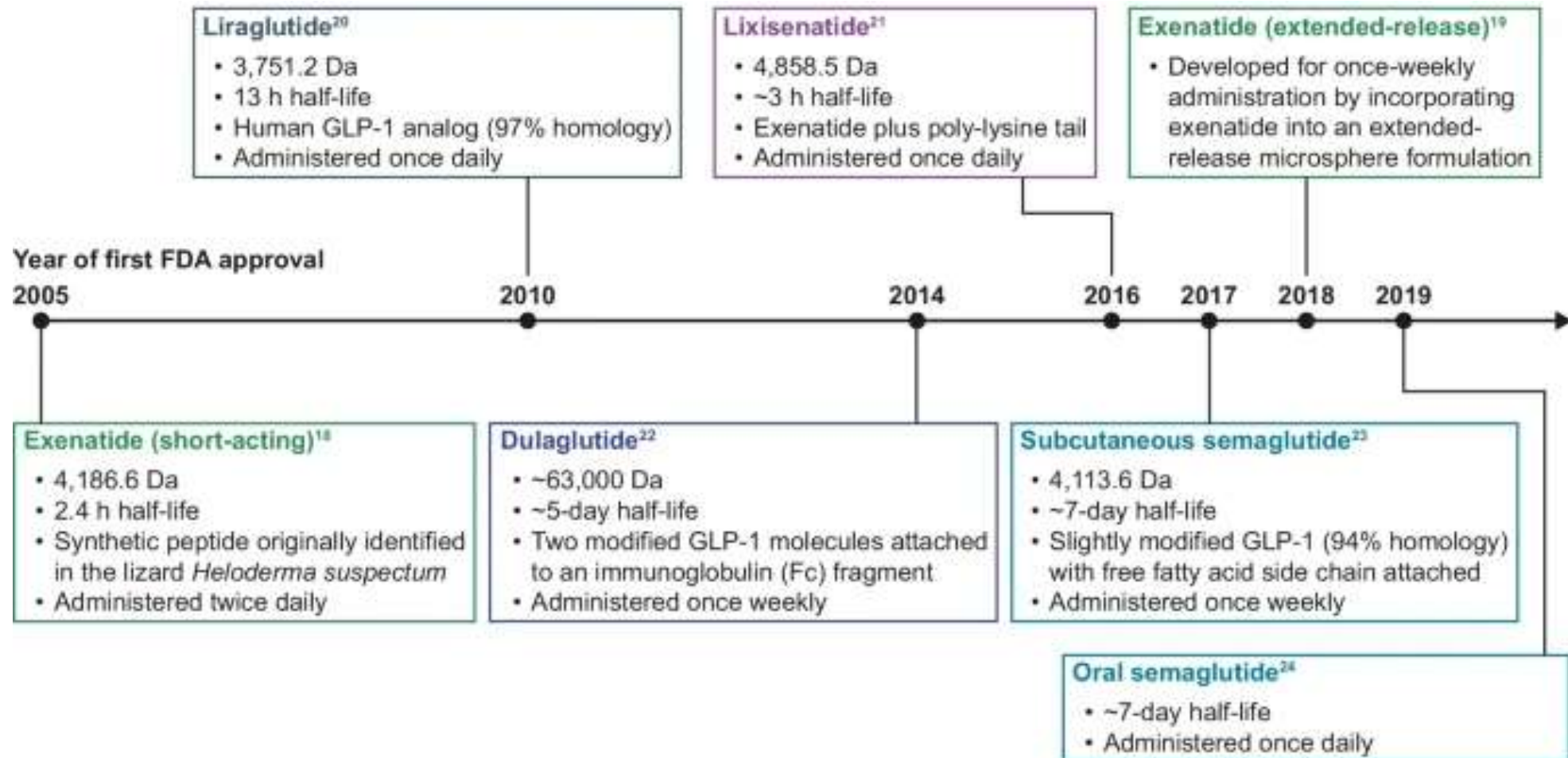
Dulaglutide (59.7 kDa)



Semaglutide (4.1 kDa)



Timeline of Development



Half Lives

- Native human GLP1 has half life of 1-2 minutes
- Synthetic GLP-1 has extended half lives
 - Exenatide (2005): 2.4 hours
 - Twice daily
 - Liraglutide (2010): 13 hours
 - Once daily
 - Dulaglutide (2014): ~5 days
 - Lixisenatide (2016): ~ 3 days
 - Semaglutide: (2017) ~ 7 days (165 hours)
 - Tirzepatide : (2022) ~ 5 days

Landmark Trials

- Cardiovascular disease
- Type 2 diabetes
- Obesity
- MASLD/MASH

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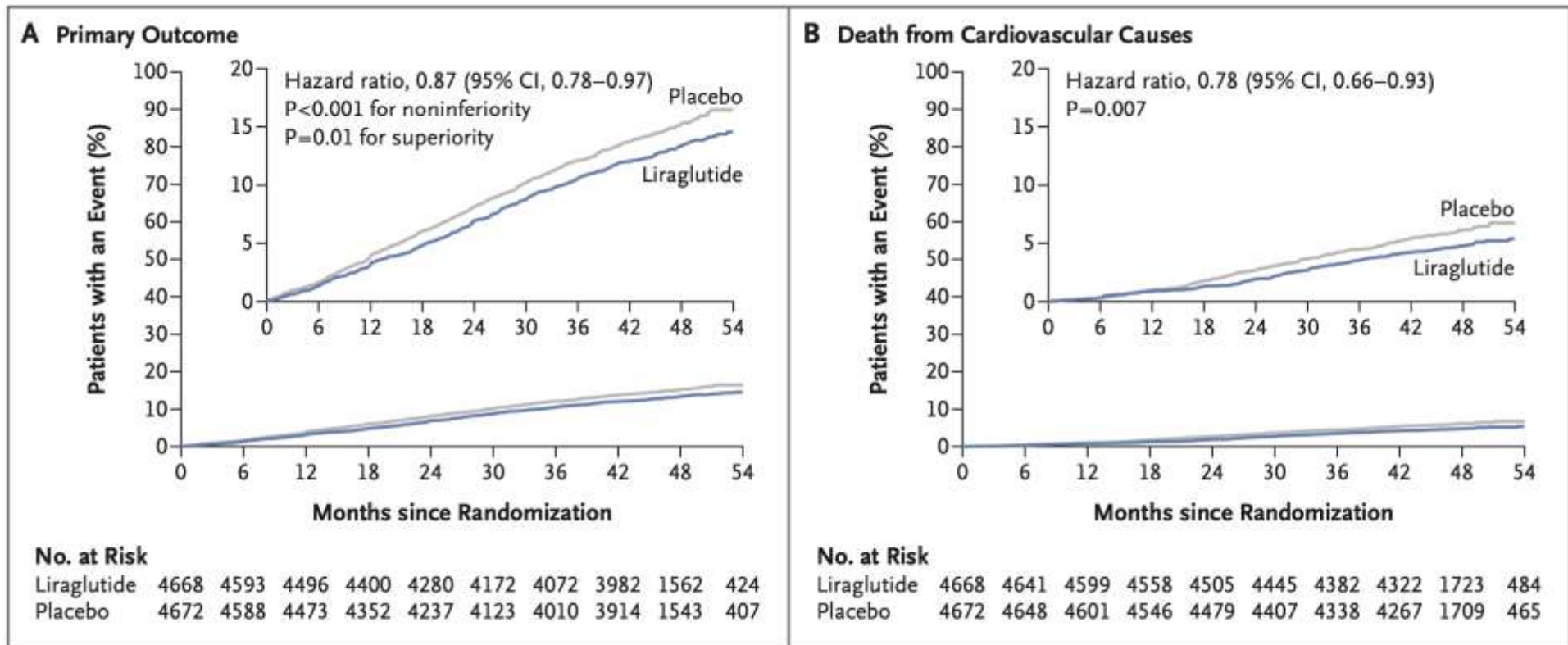
Double-blind placebo-controlled trial
Type 2 DM, A1c >7%
Age > 50 with known CV disease or CKD
Age >60 and CV risk factors

9340 patients
Median follow-up was 3.8 years



Results

- Improvement of A1c 0.4%
- Weight loss - 2.3kg



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Semaglutide and Cardiovascular Outcomes in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes

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Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled

Type 2DM, A1c >7%

Age > 50 and known CV disease

Age > 60 and CV Risk Factors

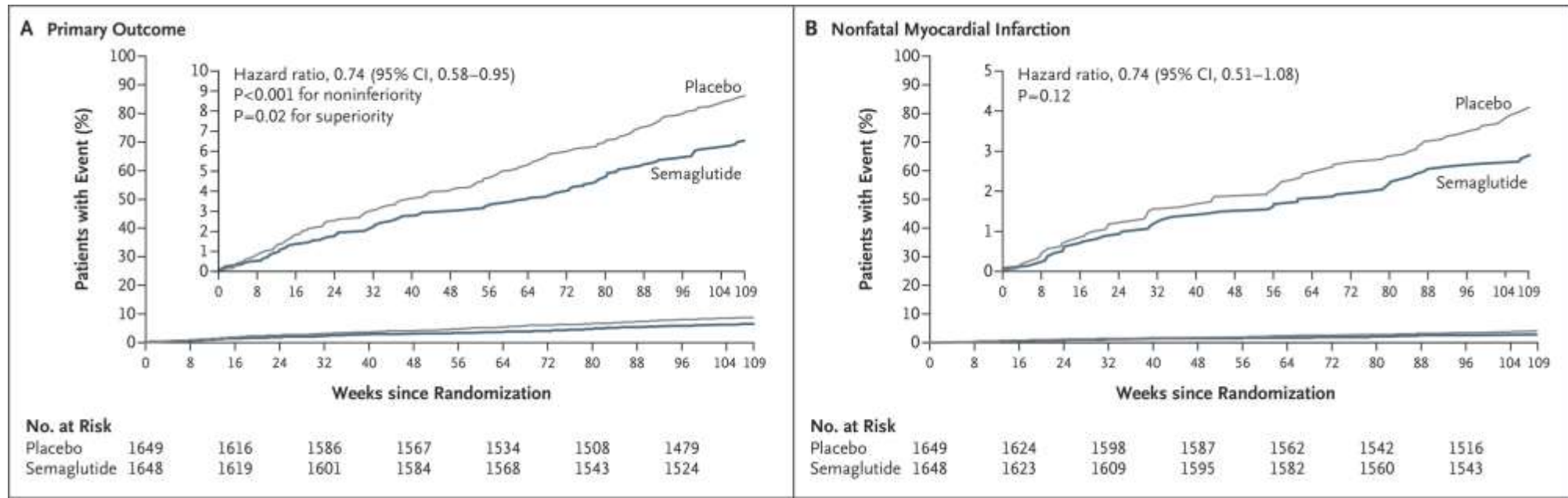
3297 patients

Median follow up 2.1 years




Results

- Improvement of A1c -1.4%
- Weight loss – 4.9kg



Semaglutide and obesity

Semaglutide Treatment Effect in People with obesity (STEP)



Phase 3 trial program
Semaglutide 2.4 mg for
the treatment of obesity

Primary endpoint
for all STEP trials
is **weight loss**

Trial design

STEP 1 Weight management
68-week treatment

STEP 2 Weight management in T2D
68-week treatment

STEP 3 Weight management with IBT
68-week treatment

STEP 4 Sustained weight management
68-week treatment

STEP 5 Long-term weight management
104-week treatment

16-week dose escalation

7 weeks off treatment follow-up for safety assessments

Change to: IBT, intensive behavioral therapy; T2D, type 2 diabetes.

Eligibility criteria


Unsuccessful diet history
Age ≥ 18 years

BMI
 $\geq 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$ or $\geq 27 \text{ kg/m}^2$
+ weight-related complications


STEP 2 $\geq 27 \text{ kg/m}^2$ + T2D

No >5 kg weight change,
<90 days before screening

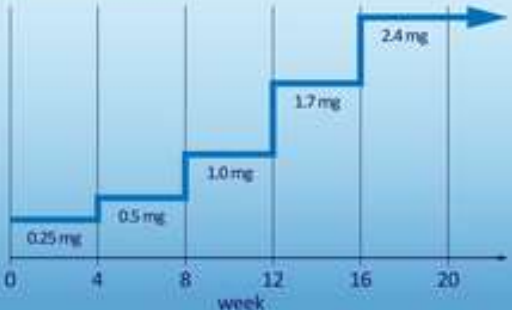
Treatment


Semaglutide

VS



Placebo


Dose escalation




Week	Dose (mg)
0	0.25
4	0.5
8	1.0
12	1.7
16	2.4
20	2.4


STEP 1, 2, 4, and 5: Lifestyle intervention


150 min/week
physical activity

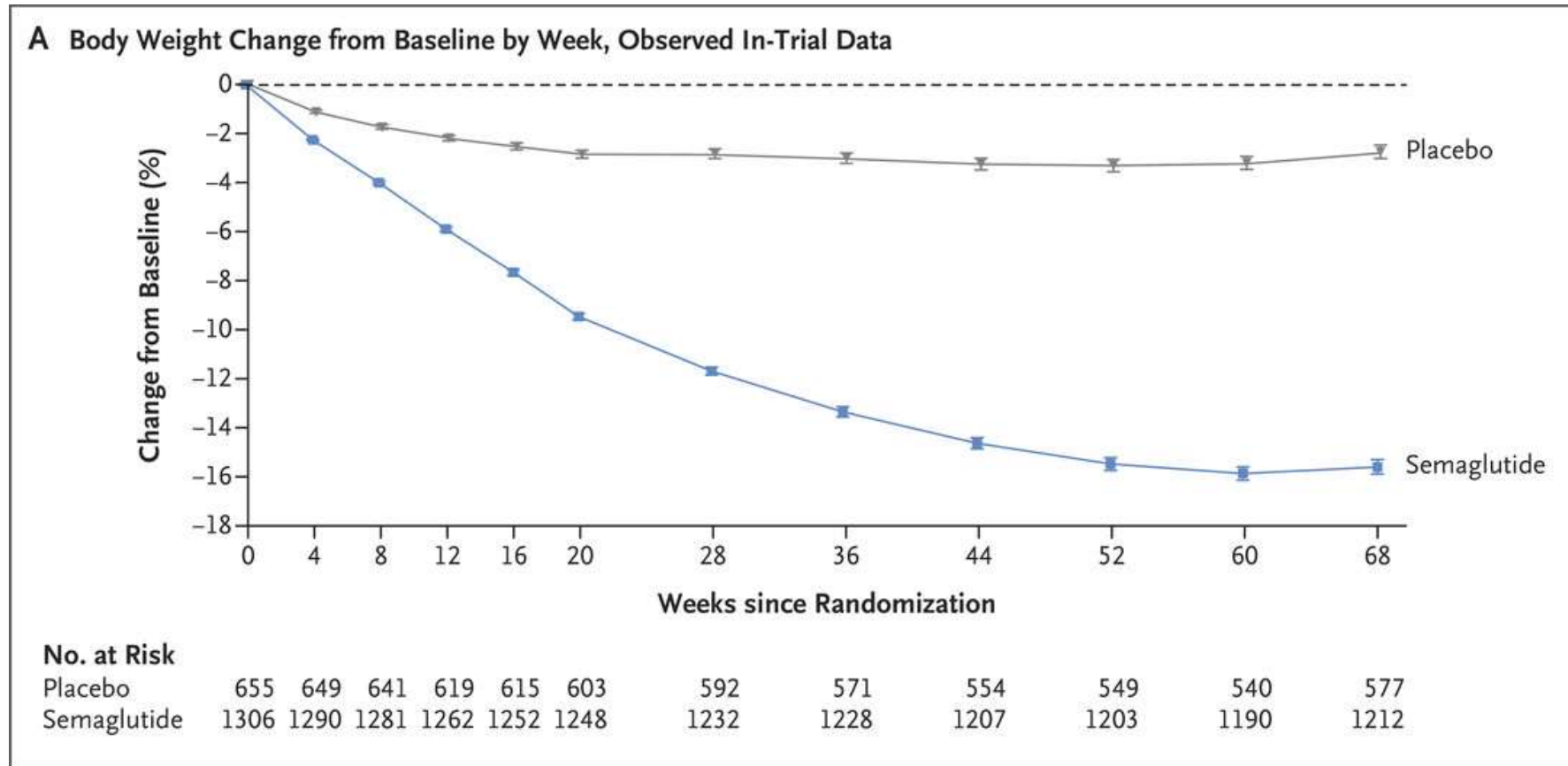

~500 kcal/day diet

STEP 3: Intensive behavioral therapy


Dietitian counseling
Increased physical activity


Initial 8-week
low-calorie diet
60-week
hypocaloric diet

Semaglutide and obesity



Mean weight change at week 68 was -14.9% with 2.4-mg semaglutide, as compared with -2.4% with placebo

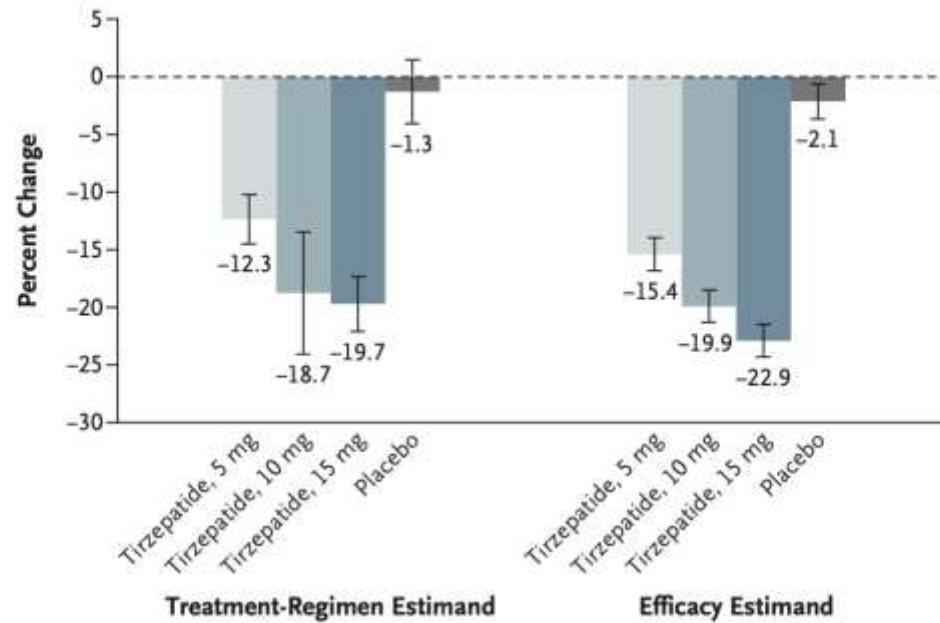
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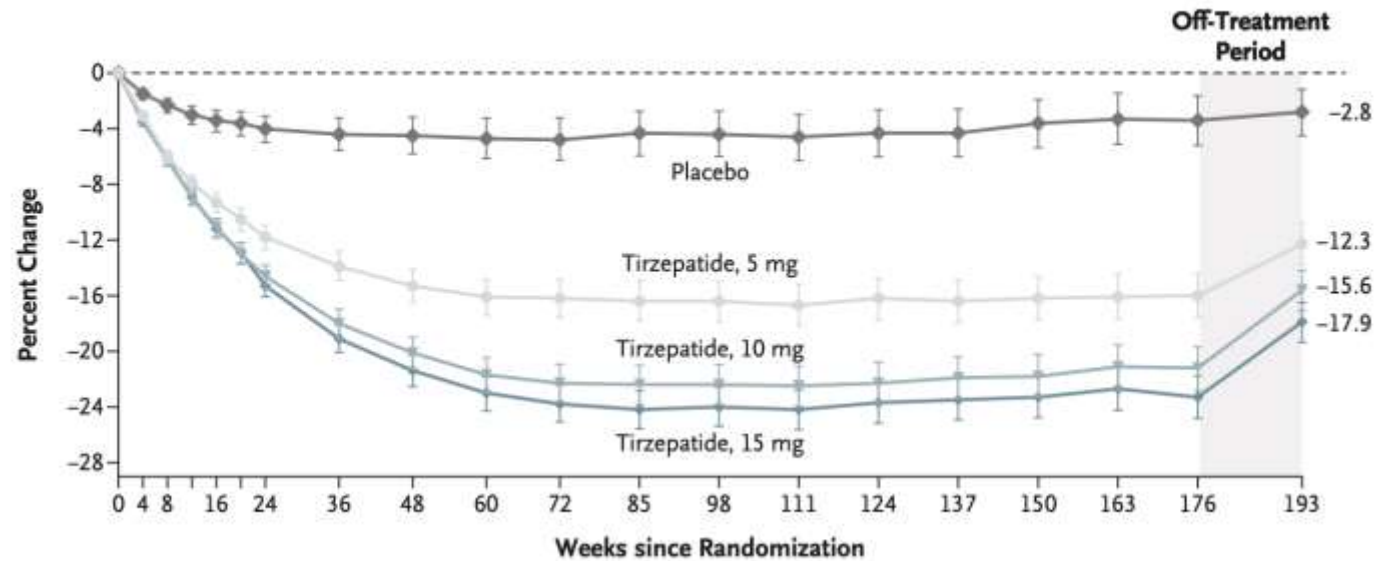
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Double-blind, randomized, controlled trial
2539 participants with obesity

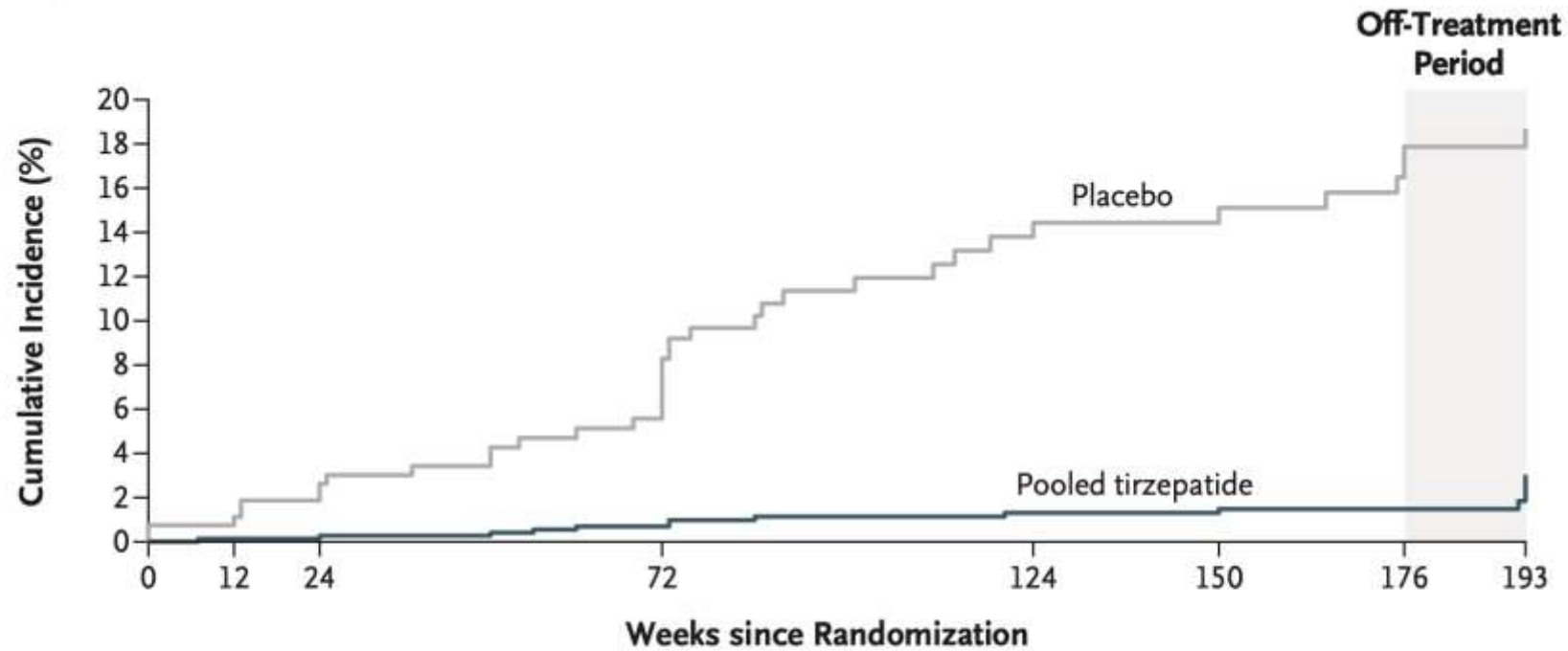
A Change in Body Weight from Baseline to Week 176



B Change in Body Weight



C Incidence of Type 2 Diabetes



No. at Risk

Placebo	270	266	257	209	137	126	121	99
Pooled tirzepatide	762	751	742	700	581	570	557	494

No. of Participants with Diagnosis

Placebo	2	3	7	20	31	32	36	37
Pooled tirzepatide	0	1	2	5	9	10	10	18

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A Placebo-Controlled Trial of Subcutaneous Semaglutide in Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis

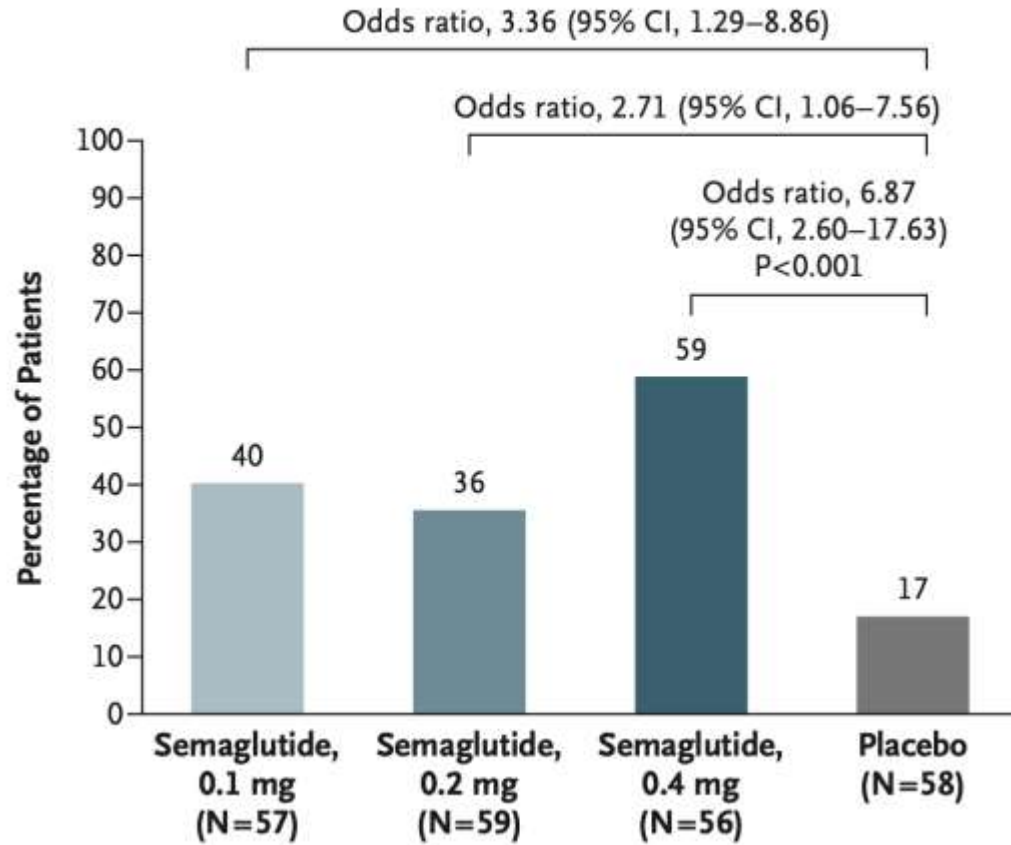
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72-week, double-blind phase 2 trial involving patients with biopsy- confirmed NASH and liver fibrosis of stage F1, F2, or F3

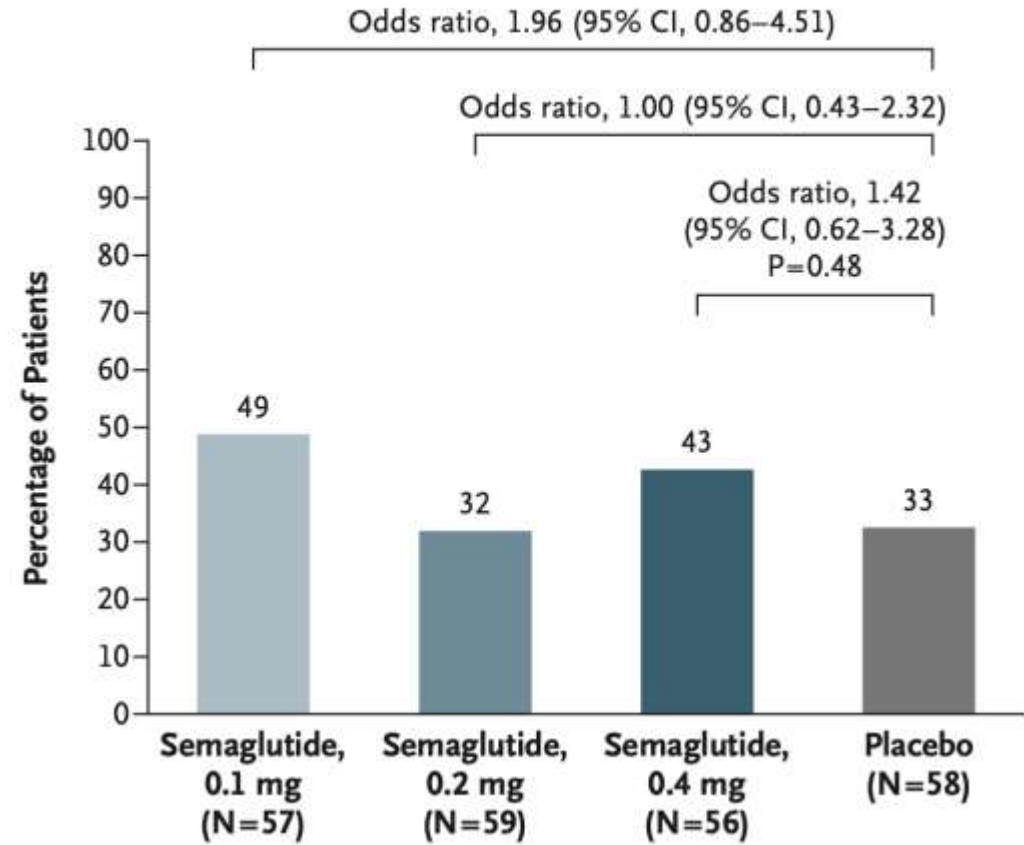
Once-daily subcutaneous semaglutide at a dose of 0.1, 0.2, or 0.4 mg or corresponding placebo

320 patients

A Resolution of NASH with No Worsening of Liver Fibrosis (primary end point)



B Improvement in Liver Fibrosis Stage with No Worsening of NASH (confirmatory secondary end point)



Semaglutide and Adverse Events

Adverse events	Continued semaglutide, 2.4 mg/wk (n = 535)			Switched to placebo (n = 268)		
	No. (%) of participants	No. of events	Events per 100 patient-years ^a	No. (%) of participants	No. of events	Events per 100 patient-years ^a
Any adverse event	435 (81.3)	1885	346.3	201 (75.0)	779	292.8
Serious adverse events	41 (7.7)	51	9.4	15 (5.6)	19	7.1
Discontinuation of trial product due to adverse events ^b	13 (2.4)			6 (2.2)		
Fatal events ^{c,d}	1 (0.2)	1	0.2	1 (0.4)	2	0.7
Adverse events reported in ≥5% of participants ^e						
→ Diarrhea	77 (14.4)	114	20.9	19 (7.1)	26	9.8
→ Nausea	75 (14.0)	105	19.3	13 (4.9)	13	4.9
→ Constipation	62 (11.6)	75	13.8	17 (6.3)	19	7.1
Nasopharyngitis	58 (10.8)	77	14.1	39 (14.6)	54	20.3
→ Vomiting	55 (10.3)	88	16.2	8 (3.0)	13	4.9
Headache	41 (7.7)	48	8.8	10 (3.7)	10	3.8
Influenza	39 (7.3)	45	8.3	19 (7.1)	23	8.6
→ Abdominal pain	35 (6.5)	46	8.5	8 (3.0)	10	3.8
Back pain	28 (5.2)	32	5.9	18 (6.7)	19	7.1
Arthralgia	25 (4.7)	28	5.1	14 (5.2)	16	6.0

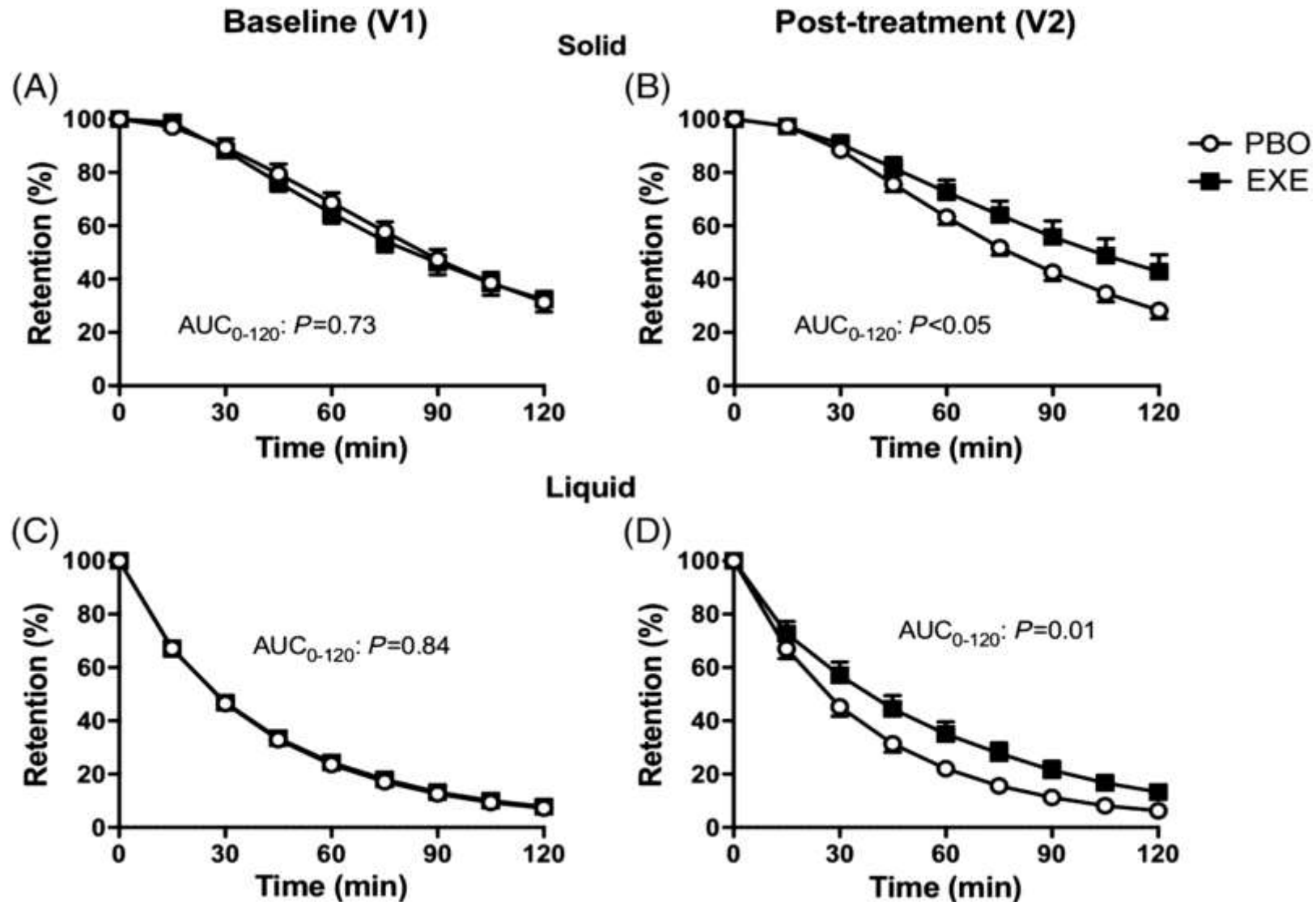
GLP-1 Agonists and Adverse Events

Outcomes	GLP-1 agonists, HR (95% CI) ^a		Bupropion-naltrexone
	Crude	Adjusted ^b	
Primary analysis			
Biliary disease	1.48 (0.88-2.47)	1.50 (0.89-2.53)	1 [Reference]
→ Pancreatitis	10.33 (1.44-74.40)	9.09 (1.25-66.00)	1 [Reference]
→ Bowel obstruction	5.16 (1.27-21.00)	4.22 (1.02-17.40)	1 [Reference]
→ Gastroparesis	3.31 (1.04-10.50)	3.67 (1.15-11.90)	1 [Reference]
Sensitivity analyses			
Exclusion of hyperlipidemia			
Biliary disease	1.50 (0.88-2.56)	1.46 (0.84-2.51)	1 [Reference]
Pancreatitis	9.80 (1.36-70.79)	7.99 (1.10-58.30)	1 [Reference]
Bowel obstruction	4.43 (1.08-18.20)	3.63 (0.87-15.10)	1 [Reference]
Gastroparesis	3.32 (1.04-10.60)	3.67 (1.14-11.80)	1 [Reference]
Analysis with less-restrictive obesity definition^c			
Biliary disease	1.29 (0.92-1.80)	1.20 (0.85-1.69)	1 [Reference]
Pancreatitis	6.19 (1.99-19.30)	5.94 (1.90-18.60)	1 [Reference]
Bowel obstruction	3.11 (1.28-7.54)	2.44 (1.00-5.95)	1 [Reference]
Gastroparesis	2.11 (1.09-4.09)	2.35 (1.20-4.58)	1 [Reference]
E-values for adjusted HRs^d			
Biliary disease	2.36		
Pancreatitis	17.67		
Bowel obstruction	7.91		
Gastroparesis	6.80		

How to manage side effects

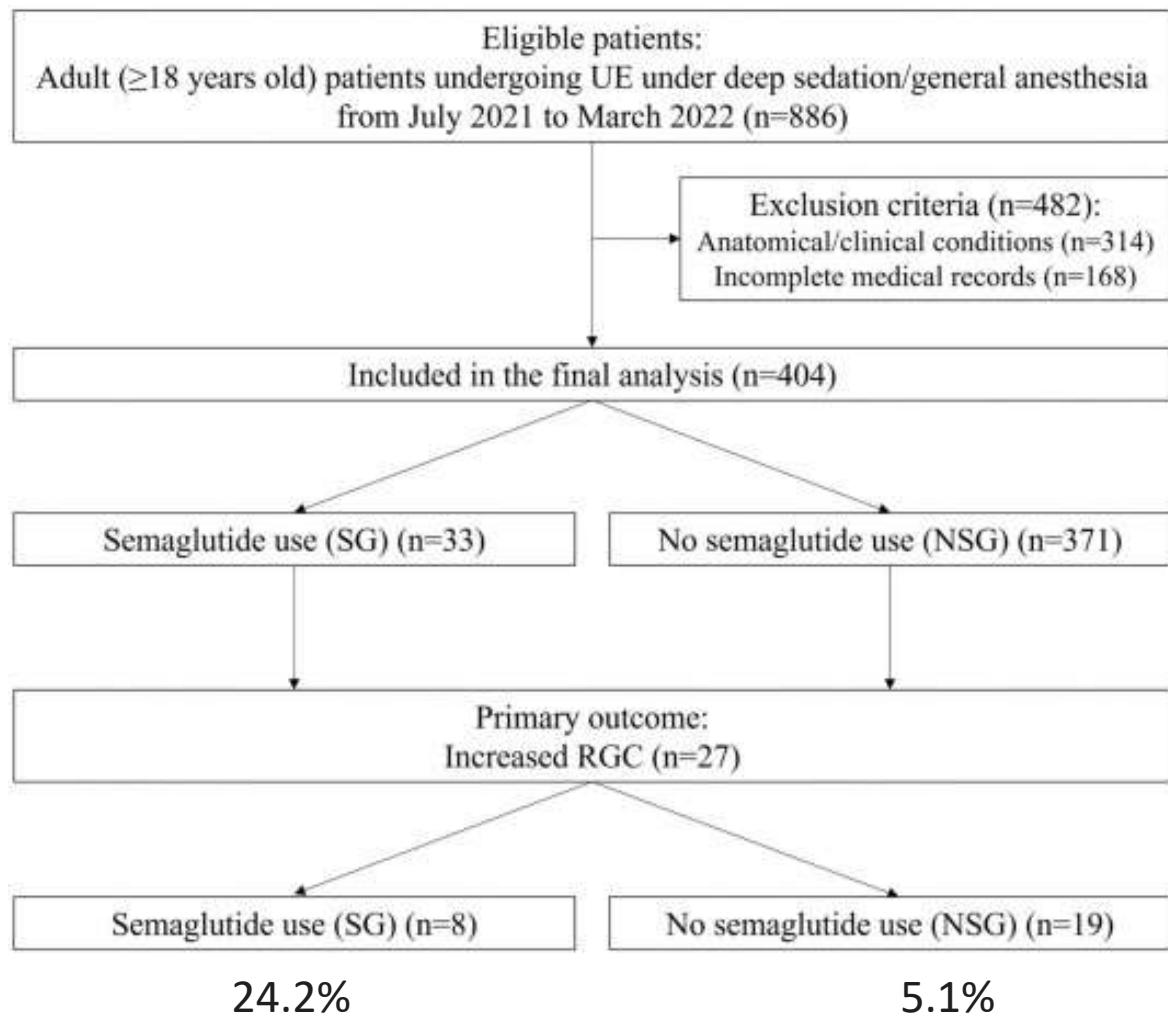
- Educate patients on side effects
- Titrate dose appropriately
 - Consider downtitrating or titrating more slowly
 - Individual approach on dosing
- Treat symptoms
- Always consider history of pancreatitis, gastroparesis prior to initiating

Exenatide and Gastric Emptying



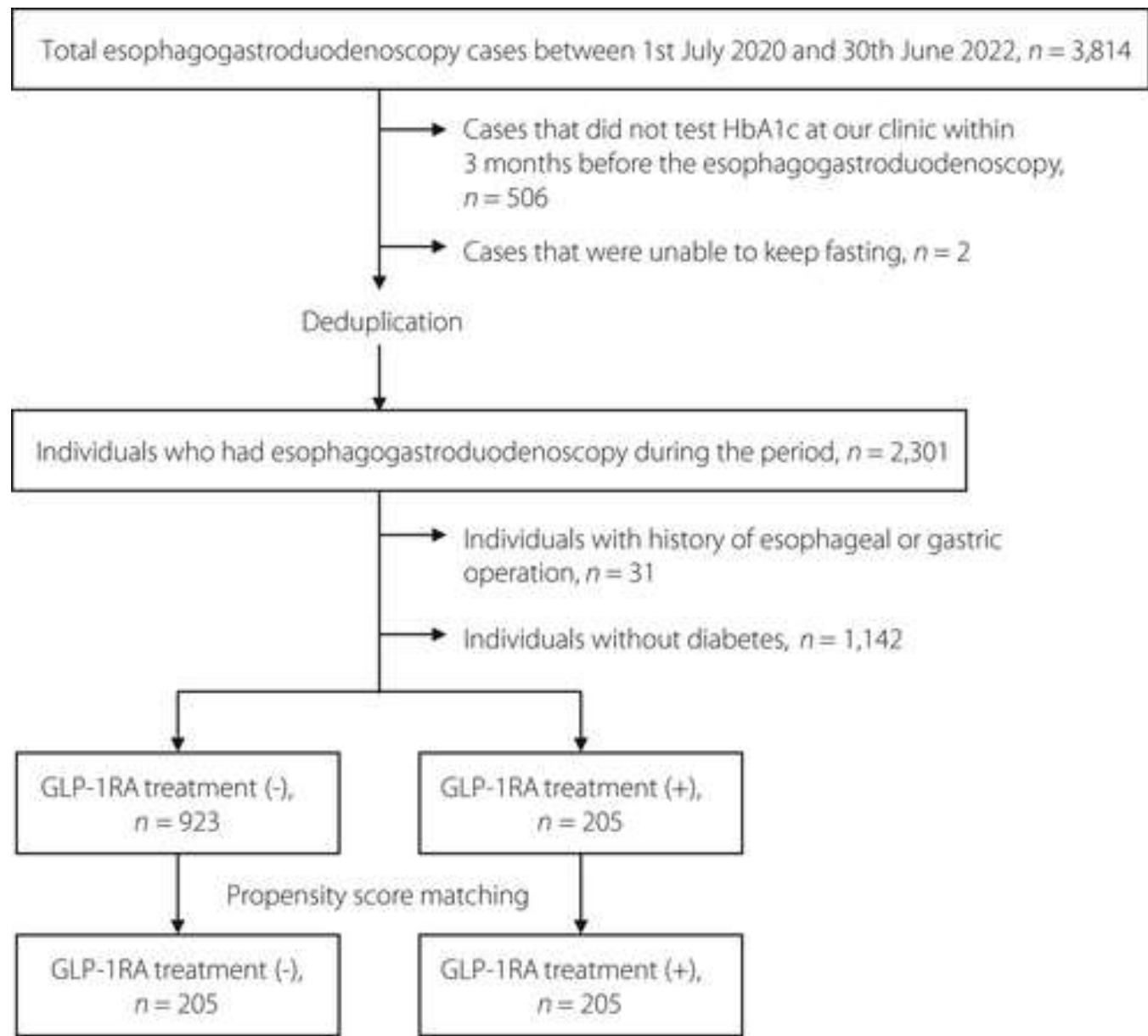
GLP-1 and Endoscopy





$p < 0.001$

When EGD was combined with colonoscopy a protective [PR = 0.13 (95%CI 0.15–0.78)] effect against increased RGC was observed.



GLP 1 Agonists and Endoscopy

	Before matching			After matching		
	GLP-1RA (-) (n = 923)	GLP-1RA (+) (n = 205)	P-value	GLP-1RA (-) (n = 205)	GLP-1RA (+) (n = 205)	P-value
Gastric residue (+)	6 (0.65)	11 (5.4)	<0.001	1 (0.49)	11 (5.4)	0.004

GLP-1RA prescribed for the 11 patients with gastric residue were liraglutide once daily 1.8 mg (n = 2), dulaglutide once weekly 0.75 mg (n = 5), semaglutide once weekly 0.5 mg (n = 2) and semaglutide once weekly 1.0 mg (n = 2).

American Society of Anesthesiologists Consensus-Based Guidance on Preoperative Management of Patients (Adults and Children) on Glucagon-Like Peptide-1 (GLP-1) Receptor Agonists

- For patients on daily dosing consider holding GLP-1 agonists on the day of the procedure/surgery.
- For patients on weekly dosing consider holding GLP-1 agonists a week prior to the procedure/surgery.
- If the patient has no GI symptoms, but the GLP-1 agonists were not held as advised, proceed with 'full stomach' precautions or consider evaluating gastric volume by ultrasound, if possible and if proficient with the technique.

CLINICAL PRACTICE UPDATES

AGA Rapid Clinical Practice Update on the Management of Patients Taking GLP-1 Receptor Agonists Prior to Endoscopy: Communication



- The ASA used such terms as “suggest,” “consider,” and “advise,” as we would in an AGA Clinical Practice Update.
 - Were a rigorous guideline produced using GRADE methodology, there would be insufficient evidence to support recommendations derived from corresponding PICO.
- We suggest that an individualized approach be taken to managing patients on GLP-1 RAs in the pre-endoscopic setting.
 - The clinical team should be cognizant of the indication for the GLP-1 RAs, because cessation in patients relying on this medication for diabetes management might provide more risk than benefit.
- Adding more complexity to periprocedural medication management, this may necessitate enhanced nursing resources (which are scarce), and exacerbate barriers and care delays for patients requiring endoscopic procedures.

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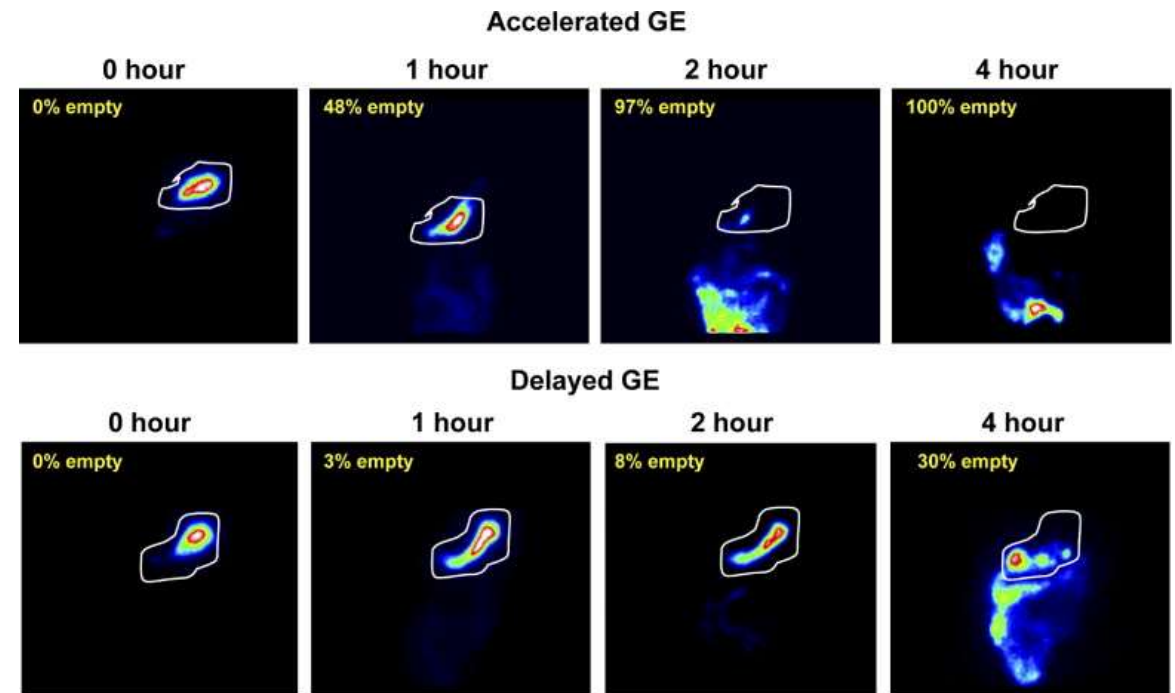
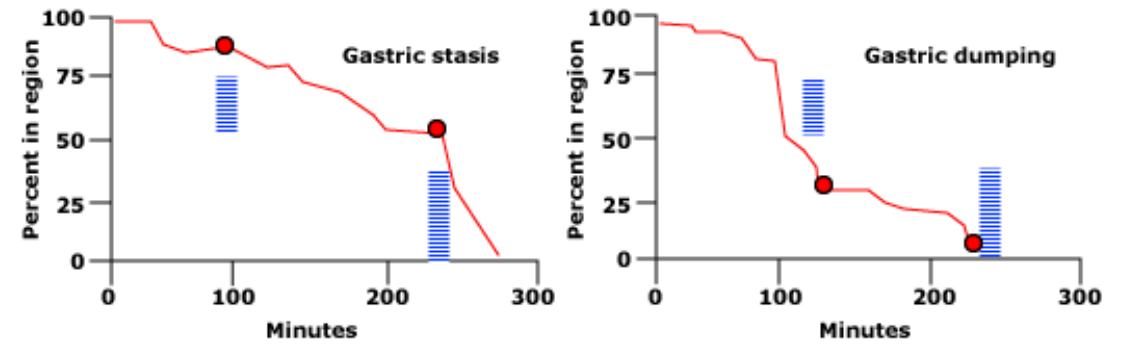
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- in patients on GLP-1 RAs who have followed standard perioperative procedures (typically an 8-hour solid-food fast and a 2-hour liquid fast) and who do not have symptoms of nausea, vomiting, dyspepsia, or abdominal distention, we advise proceeding with upper and/or lower endoscopy.
- In patients with symptoms suggesting possible retained gastric contents, transabdominal ultrasonography can be used to assess the stomach (if there is sufficient clinical expertise and the equipment is available) but evidence to support this modality in standard practice is lacking.
- In symptomatic patients for whom delaying endoscopy may have negative clinical consequences, rapid-sequence intubation is a consideration; however, this may not be possible in most ambulatory or office-based endoscopy settings.
- When possible, placing patients on a liquid diet the day before sedated procedures may be a more acceptable strategy, in lieu of stopping GLP-1 RAs, and more consistent with the holistic preprocedural management of other similar conditions.

Gastric emptying testing

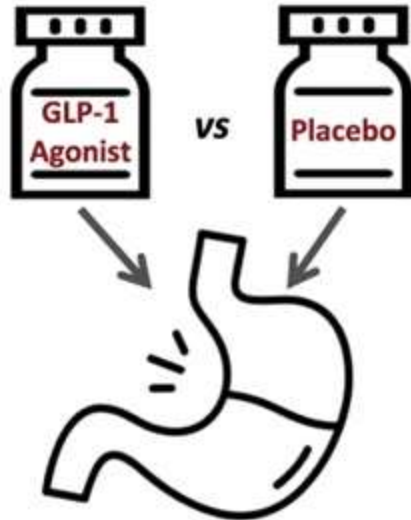
- 4 hour Gastric scintigraphy = gold standard
- (Tc)-99m labeled low fat egg-white, 2 slices bread and jam with water
- Imaging performed at 0, 1, 2, and 4 hours
 - Delay = retention >90% at 1 hr, >60% 2 hr, >10% at 4 hours
- 4hr test may increase diagnostic yield by 25% vs. 2hr



Quantified Metrics of Gastric Emptying Delay by GLP-1 Agonists: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis



Systematic Review: n=36
Meta-Analysis: n=15



Quantified Gastric Emptying Delay: GLP-1 Agonists Relative to Placebo

Solids



Gastric Emptying Scintigraphy
N=247

36 minutes delay on $T_{1/2}$



Liquids



Acetaminophen Absorption Test
N=284

No delay on T_{max}



Perioperative Care of Patients on GLP-1 Agonist



- Continue GLP-1 Agonist
- Liquid diet on day prior to procedure
- Standard pre-anesthesia fasting period

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