

# Off-label use of adjunctive therapies with HCL

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# Is this really off-label?

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### 2. Diagnosis and Classification of Diabetes: Standards of Care in Diabetes—2026

A diagnosis of type 1 diabetes does not preclude also having features classically associated with type 2 diabetes (e.g., insulin resistance, obesity, and other metabolic abnormalities), and until more precise subsets are used in clinical practice, it may be appropriate to categorize such an individual as having features of both type 1 and type 2 diabetes to facilitate access to glucose monitoring systems and appropriate treatment (e.g., glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor agonist [GLP-1 RA] or sodium–glucose cotransporter 2 [SGLT2] inhibitor therapies for potential weight and other cardiometabolic benefits).



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## 1. Why do we need adjunctive therapies in T1D ?



# AID is standards of care in T1D

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**7.25a** AID systems are the preferred insulin delivery method over MDI, CSII, and sensor-augmented pumps in people with type 1 diabetes, **A** adults with type 2 diabetes, **A**



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# AID alone is not sufficient

Despite AID use, only 50% of adults are able to achieve A1c <7%

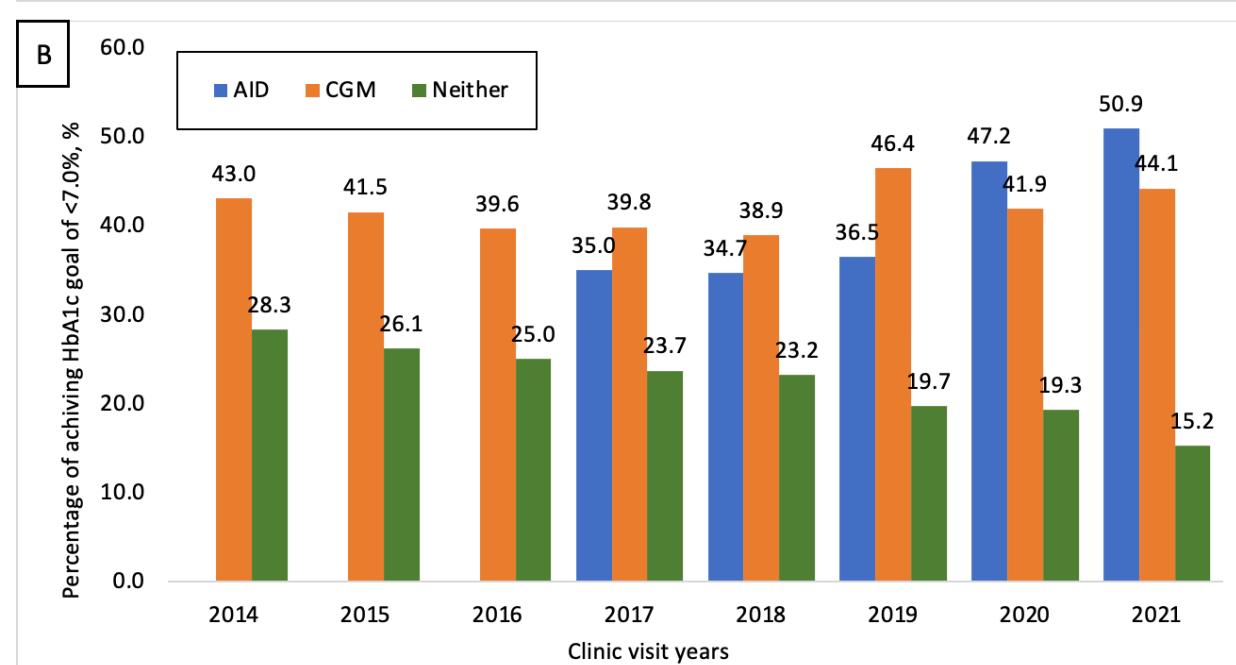
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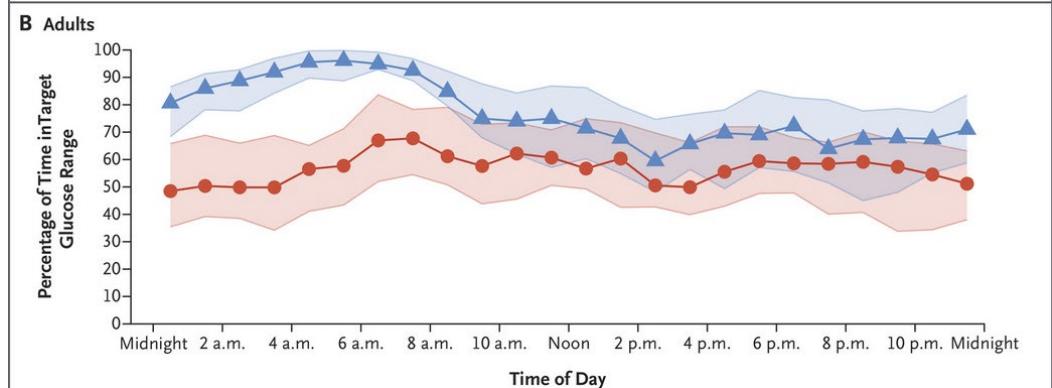
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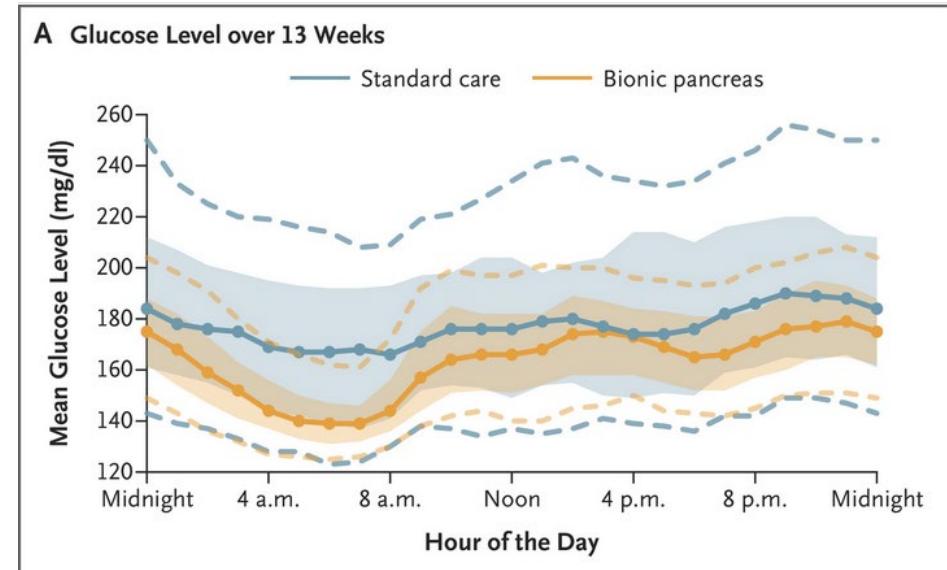
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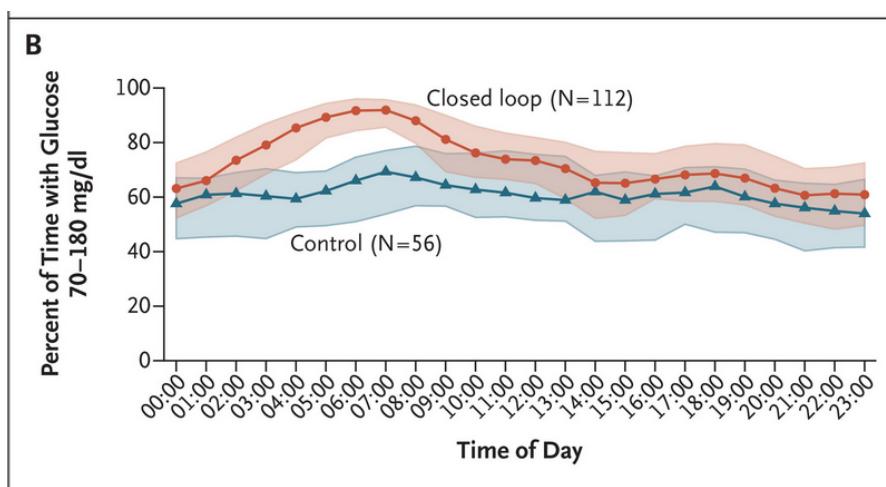
# 1. Daytime control with AID is not optimal



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Multicenter, Randomized Trial of a Bionic Pancreas in Type 1 Diabetes.  
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Six-Month Randomized, Multicenter Trial of Closed-Loop Control in Type 1 Diabetes. NEJM 2019;381:1707-1717



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## 2. Prevalence of Obesity is increasing

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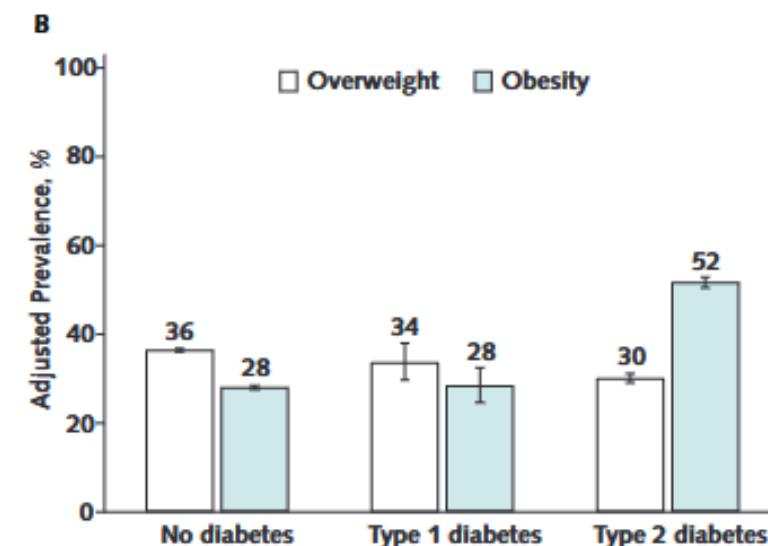
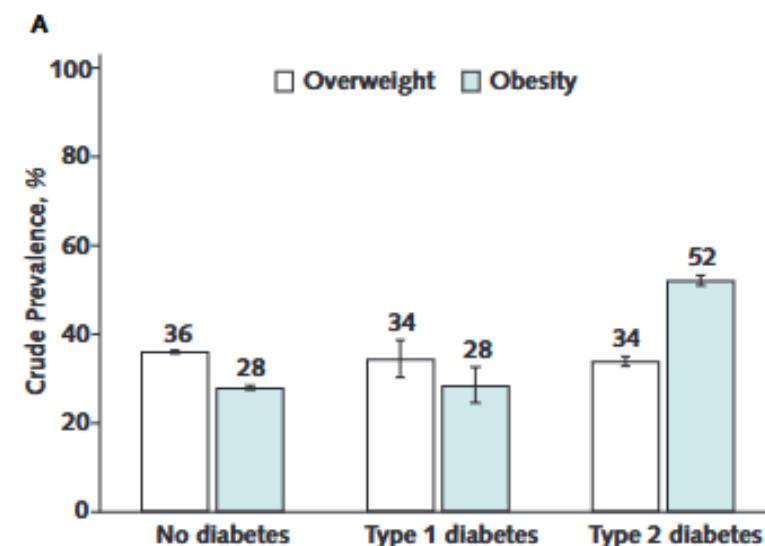
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### Prevalence and Management of Obesity in U.S. Adults With Type 1 Diabetes

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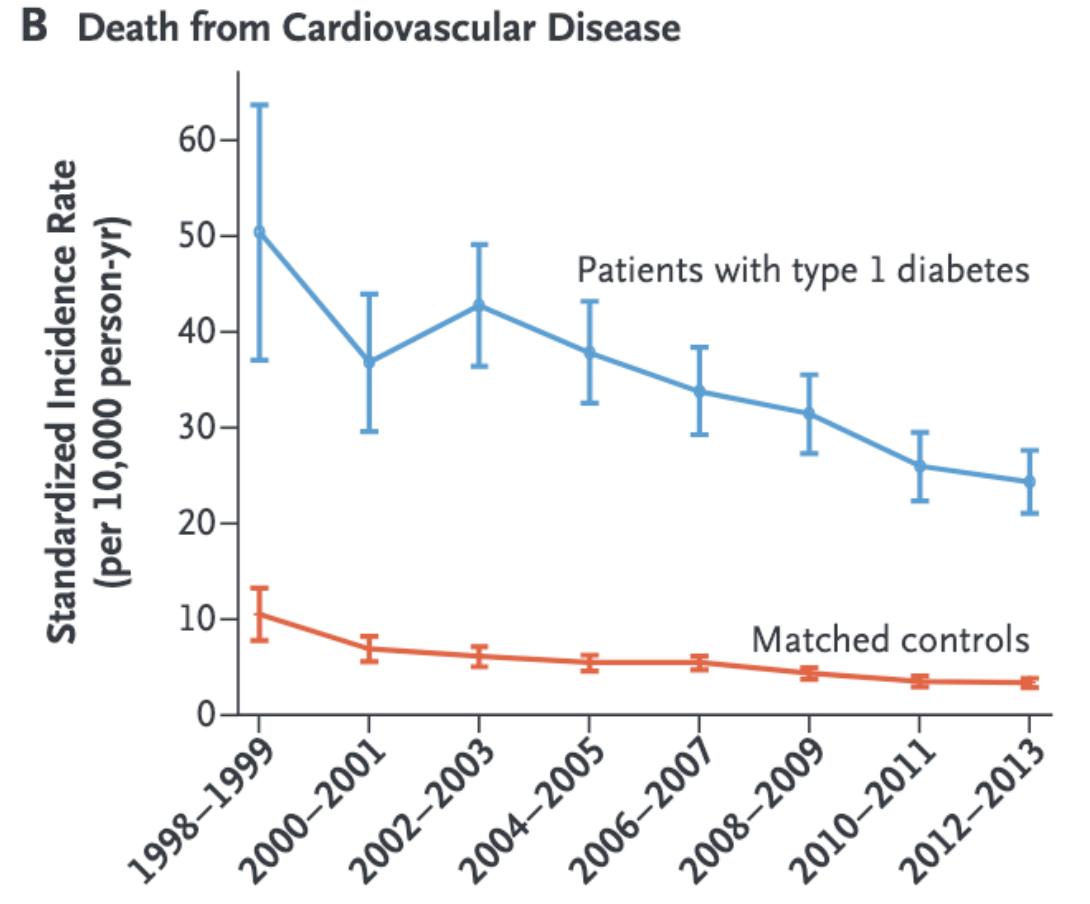
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# CVD Mortality is higher in T1D



## Mortality and Cardiovascular Disease in Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes

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## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# Glycemic Control and Excess Mortality in Type 1 Diabetes

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Variable	Hazard Ratio	
	Death from Any Cause	Death from Cardiovascular Disease
Time-updated mean glycated hemoglobin level — no. of events/total no.	7386/200,539	2326/200,539
Reference group (controls)	1.00	1.00
≤6.9%	2.36 (1.97–2.83)	2.92 (2.07–4.13)
7.0–7.8%	2.38 (2.02–2.80)	3.39 (2.49–4.61)
7.9–8.7%	3.11 (2.66–3.62)	4.44 (3.32–5.96)
8.8–9.6%	3.65 (3.11–4.30)	5.35 (3.94–7.26)
≥9.7%	8.51 (7.24–10.01)	10.46 (7.62–14.37)



## 2. Therapeutic options besides insulin



# Adjunct Therapies in T1D

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EDITORIAL

## Use of Non-Insulin Therapies for Type 1 Diabetes

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**Metformin- Neutral**

**DPP4i- Neutral**

**SGLT2- Increased risk for DKA**



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### 3. Evidence with GLP-1RA in T1D



# Daily GLP-1RA in T1D

Drug (Liraglutide)		Benefits	Risks
<b>ADJUNCT ONE</b>  n=1398 52 Wk Randomization: 3:1, Lira 0.6, 1.2 and 1.8 vs placebo. Treat-to-target  <b>Ref:</b> Diabetes Care 2016 Oct;39(10):1702-10	<b>No dose reduction permitted. TDD was reduced to 25% at randomization and 10% at dose escalation every 2 weeks. BMI <math>\geq</math>20. Mean A1c of 8.1%. Pump use ~30%</b>	A1c: -0.2% for 1.8, -0.15% for 1.2 and -0.09% for 0.6 mg  Weight: -4.9 kg for 1.8, -3.6 for 1.2 and -2.2 for 0.6. (baseline weight ~86 kg)	The rate of symptomatic hypoglycemia increased. ERR ~1.3  Hyperglycemia with ketosis increased for liraglutide 1.8 mg only (event rate ratio 2.22 [95% CI 1.13; 4.34]).
<b>ADJUNCT TWO</b>  n=835 26 Wk Randomization: 3:1	<b>Dose increment every 2 week. Insulin titration based on SMBG. Pump ~25%</b>	A1c: -0.33% for 1.8, -0.22% for 1.2 and -0.23% for 0.6  Weight: -5.1, -4.0, -2.5 Kg	The rate of symptomatic hypoglycemia increased. ERR 1.33  Hyperglycemia ketosis rate was 0.5 vs 0.1 events.



# What did we learn from ADJUNCT studies?

Symposium/Special Issue

## Determinants of Liraglutide Treatment Discontinuation in Type 1 Diabetes: A Post Hoc Analysis of ADJUNCT ONE and ADJUNCT TWO Randomized Placebo-Controlled Clinical Studies

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- ✓ CGM is essential for insulin titration
- ✓ AID is even better
- ✓ GLP-1 dose adjustment should be flexible
- ✓ Insulin dose titration should be based on A1c and CGM data
- ✓ Frequent insulin dose adjustment may be necessary
- ✓ Lower BMI (<27), longer duration of diabetes (>25), lower daily insulin dose, and undetectable c-peptide were associated with higher AE related discontinuation.
- ✓ Above factors for discontinuation remained same regardless of dose of Liraglutide.



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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# Semaglutide in Adults with Type 1 Diabetes and Obesity

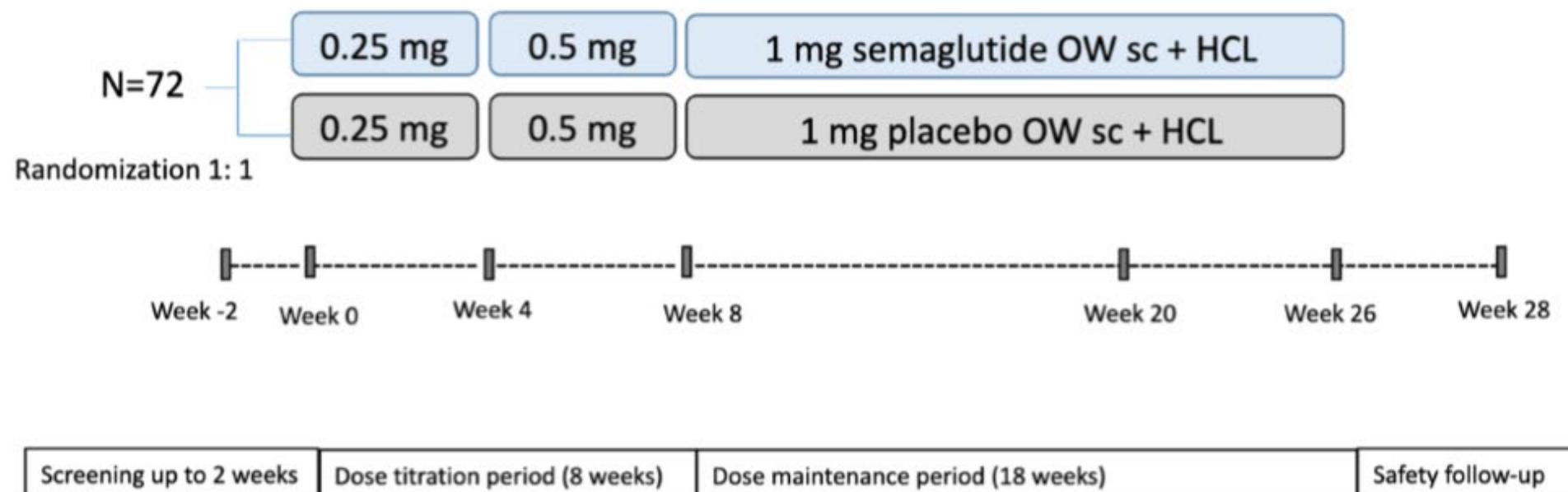
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# Study Design

## Key Inclusion

- Adults with T1D > 1 year
- AID use > 3 months
- HbA1c 7-10%
- BMI  $\geq 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$



# Insulin titration guidance

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## Insulin Titration Recommendations When Using Glucagon-Like Peptide 1 Receptor Agonist Therapy in Adults With Type 1 Diabetes



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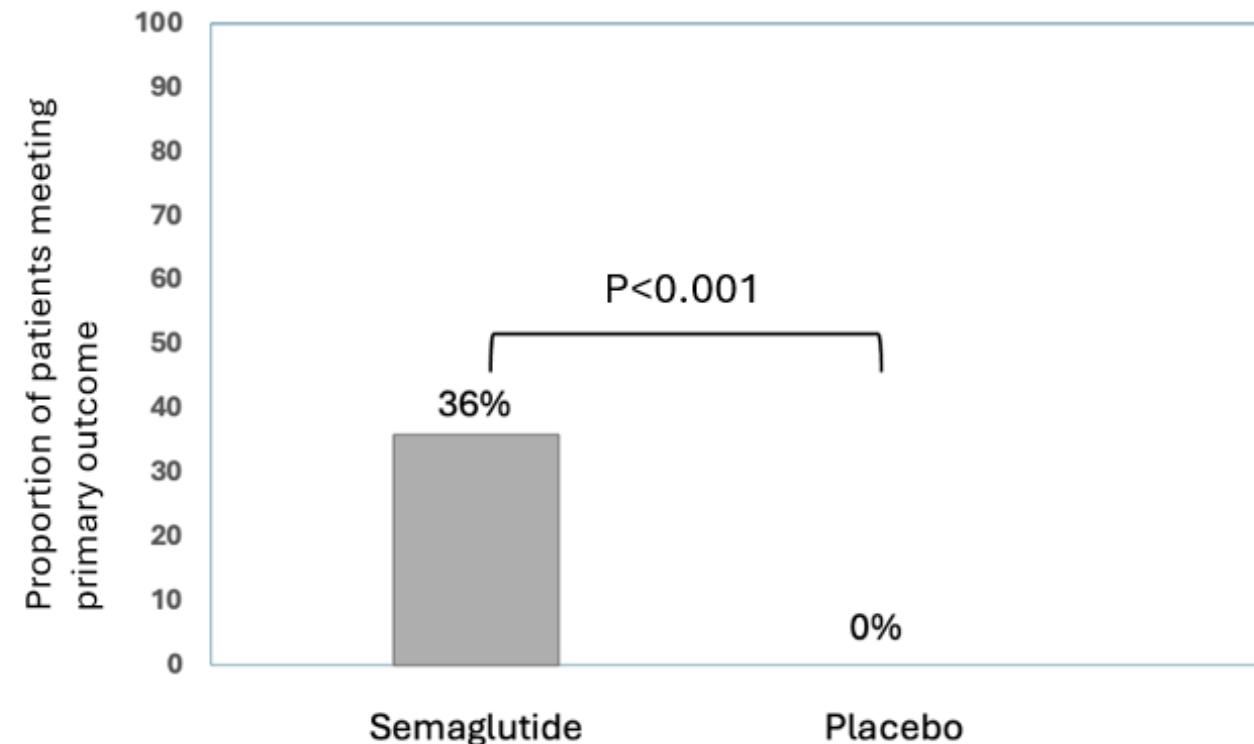
# Baseline Characteristics

	Semaglutide (n=36)	Placebo (n=36)
<b>Age, mean (Years)</b>	41.4 ±11.6	38.9± 13.1
<b>Female, n (%)</b>	22 (61.1)	20 (55.6)
<b>Diabetes Duration, years</b>		
Mean/SD	23.4±11.2	21.9±11.6
Range (years)	(4-51)	(4-51)
<b>Weight (Kg) g</b>	99.5± 14.6	104.5 ± 16.3
<b>Body mass index (kg/m<sup>2</sup>)</b>		
Obesity Class 1 (BMI 30-34.9)	34.7± 3.9	36.0±5.2
Obesity Class 2 (BMI 35-39.9)	22 (61.1%)	21 (58.3%)
Obesity Class 3 (BMI 40+)	10 (27.8%)	8 (22.2%)
Glycated hemoglobin level (%)	4 (11.1%)	7 (19.4%)
<b>Glycated hemoglobin level (%)</b>	7.8± 0.6	7.7±0.6
<b>Type of AID, N (%)</b>		
Medtronic	6 (16.7%)	5 (13.9%)
Tandem	25 (69.4%)	23 (63.9%)
Omnipod 5	5 (13.9%)	8 (22.2%)
<b>Total daily insulin dose</b>		
Units/day	73.4±29.9	72.4±23.6
Units/kg/day	0.7±0.2	0.7±0.3

Most participants were White and had private insurance.



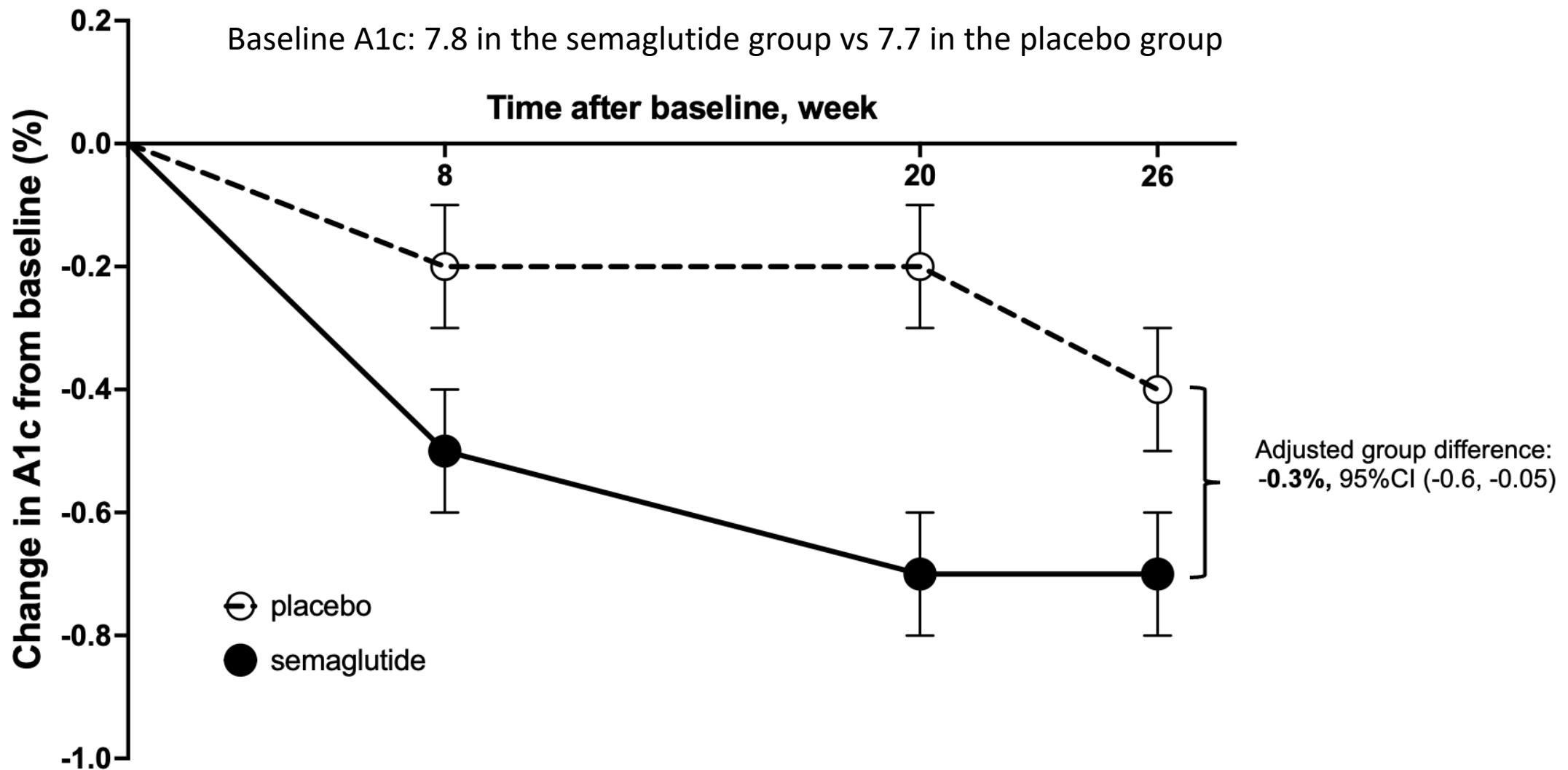
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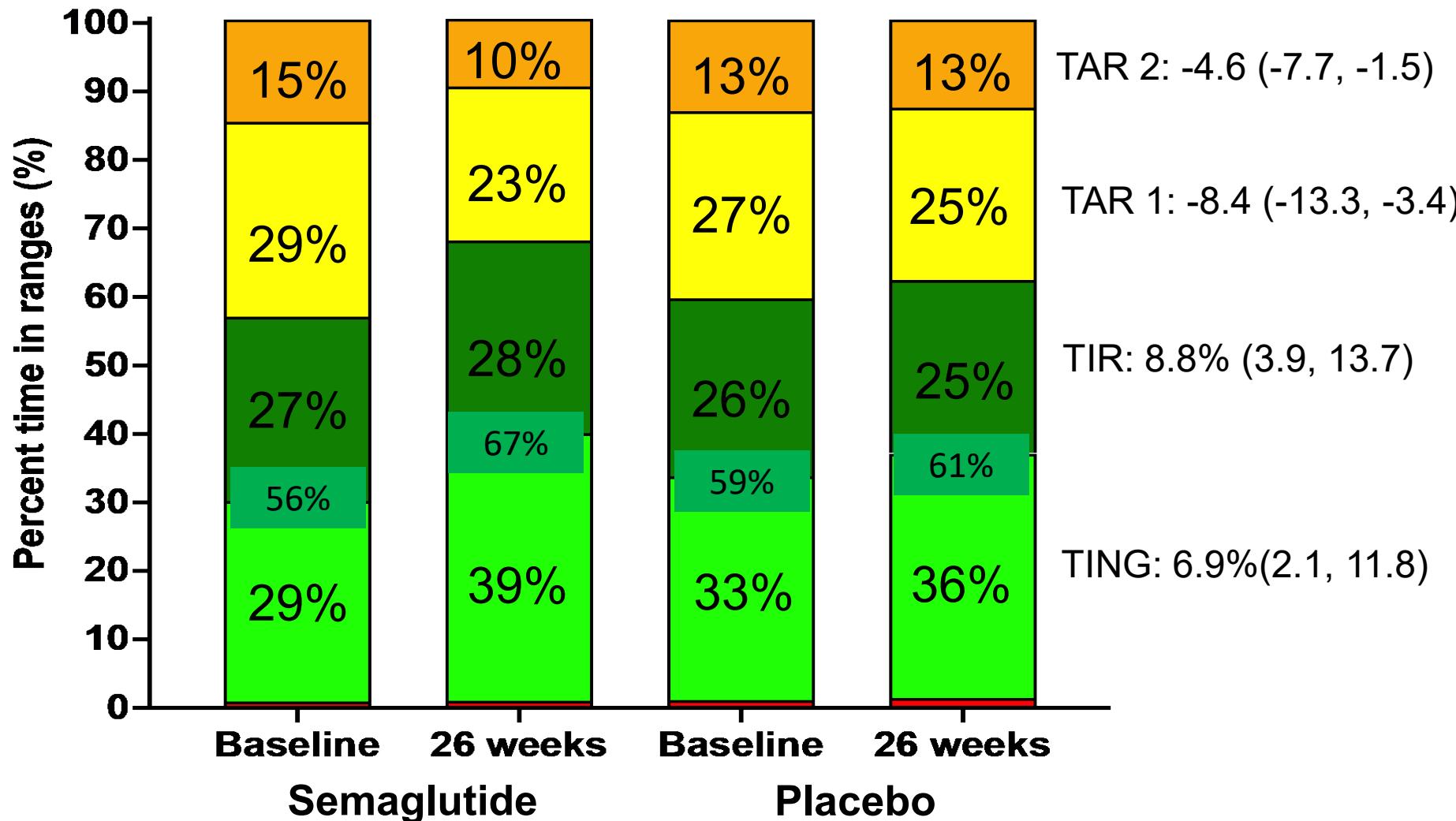
**Composite primary outcome** was patients meeting all three criteria: a) percentage of time spent in sensor glucose between 70-180 mg/dL of more than 70%, b) percentage time spent in sensor glucose below 70 mg/dL of less than 4% and c) reduction in bodyweight by 5%.



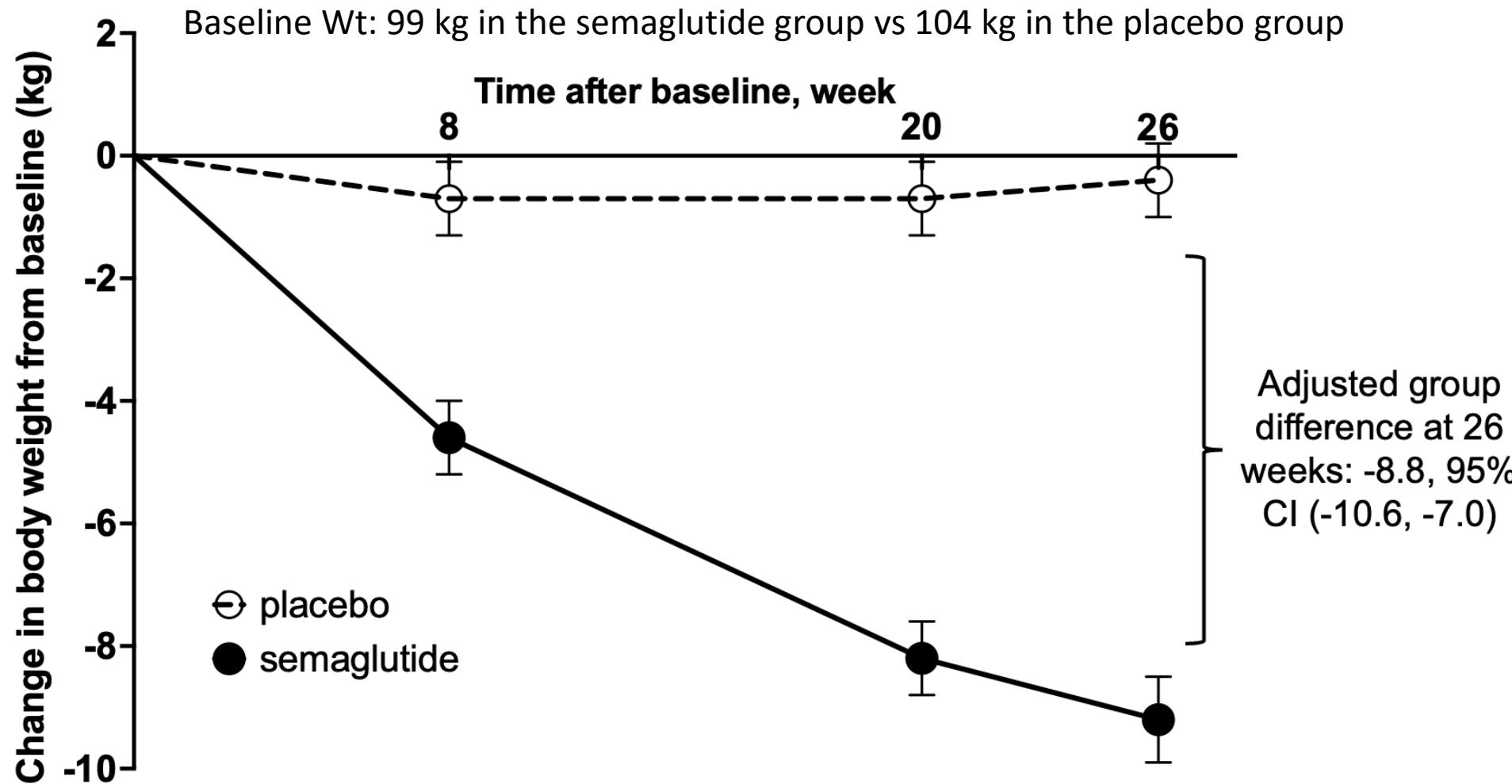
# Key Secondary Outcome: HbA1c



# Key Secondary outcome: CGM metrics



# Key Secondary Outcome: Weight

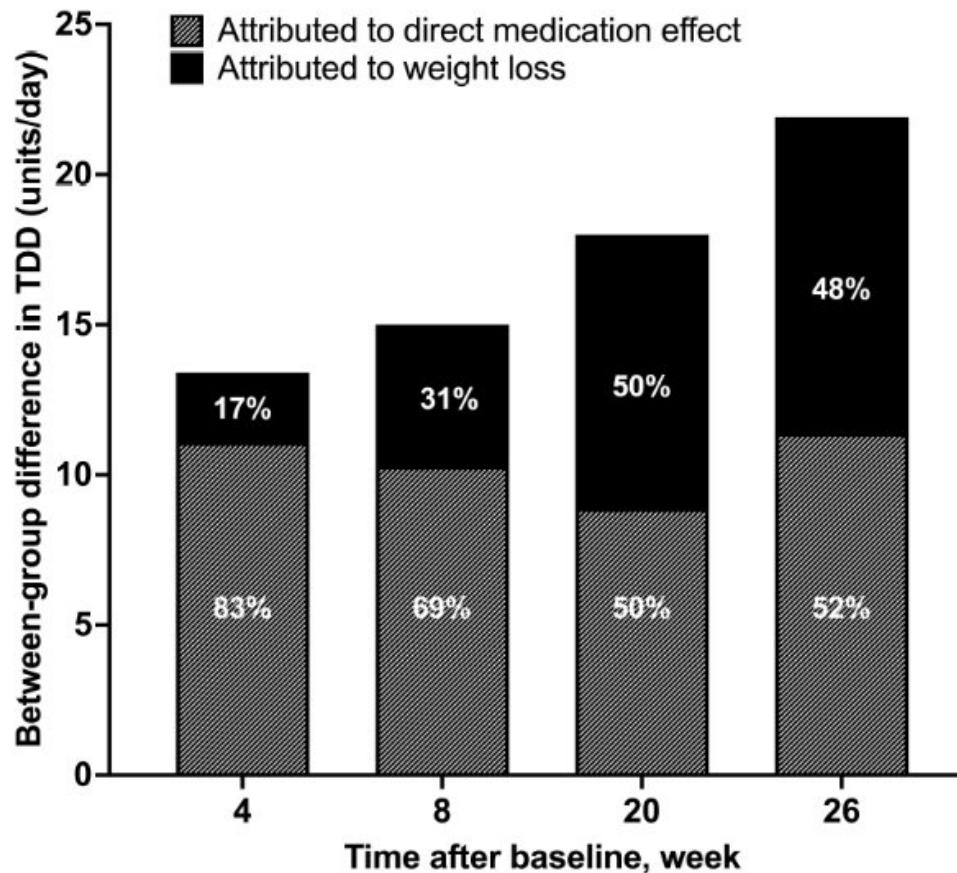


# Safety Outcomes

	<b>Semaglutide (n=36)</b>		<b>Placebo (n=36)</b>	
	No of events	No of patients (%)	No of events	No of patients (%)
<b>Any SAE</b>	1	1 (2.8%)	0	0
<b>Any AE</b>	85	26 (72.2%)	23	17 (47.2%)
<b>AE reported by &gt;5% of patients</b>				
<b>Gastrointestinal events</b>	57	19 (52.8%)	13	9 (25%)
Upper respiratory infection	4	3 (8.3%)	1	1 (2.8%)
Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)	4	4 (11.1%)	1	1 (2.8%)
<b>Adverse event of special Interest</b>				
Severe hypoglycemia	2	2 (5.5%)	2	2 (5.5%)
Diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA)	0	0	0	0



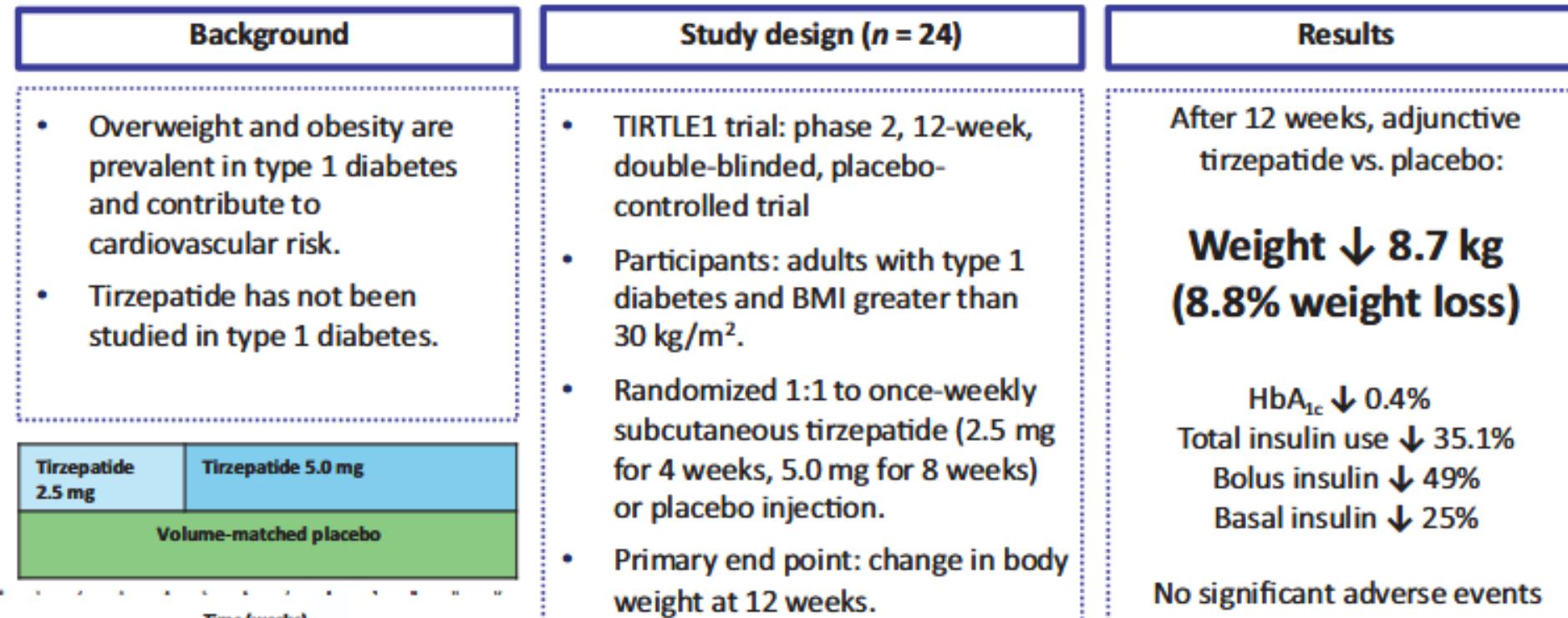
# Effects of Semaglutide on Insulin dose in T1D



- ~25% reduction in TDD from baseline
  - Bolus >basal
  - ?AID effect
- Insulin dose reduction starts within first week with 0.25 mg dose
- Insulin reduction is not explained by weight change in first 4 weeks
- Reduction in carbs is ~30 grams per day. Reduction in carbs does not fully explain reduction in TDD
- GLP-1RA may have secretory effects on pancreatic beta cells in T1D despite 20+ years of diabetes. Long-term effects of such action is unknown.



## Tirzepatide in Adults With Type 1 Diabetes: A Phase 2 Randomized Placebo-Controlled Clinical Trial



**Conclusion:** Among adults with type 1 diabetes and obesity, tirzepatide was superior to placebo for weight loss over 12 weeks.

# Questions and future research

- What is the long-term effects of GLP-1RA in T1D?
- Can we use GLP-1RA in lower dose for glycemic management in those with BMI <25?
- What is ideal de-escalation strategy for glycemia and weight loss maintenance?
- Effects of GLP-1RA on CVD/Renal/Hepatic outcomes





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##### ADJUST T1D STUDY – DESIGN AND GLYCEMIC OUTCOME

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##### ADJUST T1D STUDY - CARDIOVASCULAR OUTCOMES

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# Ongoing studies

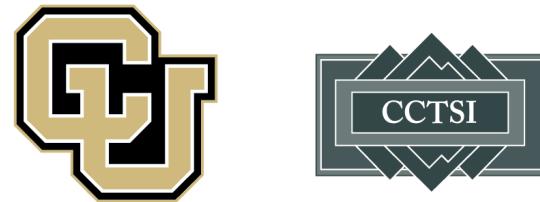
- **Type 1 Diabetes Impacts of Semaglutide on Cardiovascular Outcomes (T1-  
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  - Randomized trial (18-49 years) in young individuals with BMI 20-45. outcomes: change in Aortic PWV and cPWV and insulin sensitivity
- **Trial of Semaglutide for Diabetic Kidney Disease in Type 1 Diabetes (RT1D):  
NCT05822609**
  - Semaglutide vs placebo for renal outcomes
- **Obesity Complicating Type 1 Diabetes: GLP-1 Analogue Anti-obesity Treatment:  
ID NCT06411210**
  - Randomized trial: change in body composition, MRI abdominal fat, insulin sensitivity-clamp
- **SURPASS T1D 1 and 2 (Eli- Lilly), Phase 3 FDA approval studies**



# Summary

- AID is standards of care for people with T1D. However, nearly 50% of people may not be able to achieve optimal glycemic goal
- Overweight and obesity is increasing in T1D
- Insulin therapy alone does not address obesity and CVD risk management
- GLP-1RA is promising adjunctive therapy for adults with T1D





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