

Outcome & Other Considerations of Anti-hyperglycemic Agents

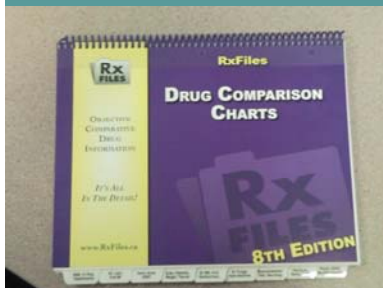
- A comparative look at the various treatment options for lowering BG
- Consideration for both the benefits & harms of drug treatment
- Acknowledgement that lowering BG or A1C does not automatically confer patient benefit (e.g. ACCORD trial ↑ death in intensive glucose lowering arm; rosiglitazone & CV risk)
- Consider evidence from outcome trials
- RxFiles Academic Detailing does not receive any industry funding

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Take Home Points for Best Outcomes

◆ Time-Out!

– Although this part of the discussion focuses on BG, remember...

◆ **Lifestyle** interventions

– Weight, diet, activity, smoking cessation...

◆ **BP lowering, statin, & ??ASA**

– Especially in high CV risk

– For intensive lowering of BG

◆ **Risk vs benefit** remains uncertain

– *It all depends! How intensive & in who?*

- ◆ Lack of macrovascular benefit
- ◆ Some microvascular benefit
- ◆ Possibility of increased mortality in some

(Boussageon et al. Metaanalysis. BMJ 2011;343:d4169)



Outcomes: benefit with multifactorial intervention– **STENO-2**



Antihyperglycemics in CDA 08 Guidelines

◆ Metformin

- 1st line for most, not just for obese
- May use: in ↓ renal: 30-60ml/min; adjust dose; HF non-acute

◆ 2nd line: all other orals (or insulin)

- Secretagogues: SU's Gliclazide, Glyburide; Glitinides
- TZD: cautions (HF, fractures, macular edema; ? CV)
- Sitagliptin, Linagliptin, Saxagliptin
- Acarbose
- Weight loss agents: orlistat, sibutramine; surgery

◆ Advantages / Disadvantages (RxFiles scale)

~ Best ✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓	✗	Problem ✗ ✗
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Diabetes – Blood Glucose (BG) Control: Landmark Outcome Trials – Summary

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Trial	Population	Intervention	A1C (baseline/final)	Results	Summary of RCT Outcome Evidence
Type 1 (T1DM)					
DCCT 1 ~6.5yrs; n=1,441 (Conducted between 1983-1993.) (note 1 st & 2 nd endpoints, as well as 1 st & 2 nd cohorts.)	T1DM; mean age 27 (13-39)yr; BMI=27 Excluded: if CV disease, ↑ BP, HC, complications. 1 st & 2 nd cohorts (2 nd if 1-15yr hx, existing mid-mod retinopathy & microalbuminuria, 1 st : 1-5yr hx)	Intensive insulin (3+ inj/day or pump) with target A1C of <6.05% (94% achieved once, but only 5% maintained), prandial BG 3.9-6.7mmol/L, PPBG <10mmol/L, weekly 3A.M. BG >3.6mmol/L vs Standard insulin (1-2 inj/day)	Int. vs Std. 8.8% ⇒ 7.4% vs 9.1% (Pre-prandial mean BG wt. vs std. 8.6 vs 12.8mmol/L (↑ wt 4.6kg/5yr)	Endpoint 1+ vs 2+ 1: Retinopathy Δ Rate/100 pt yr NNT=20 2: Microalb. Δ Rate/100 pt yr NNT=24 3: Macroalb. Δ Rate/100 pt yr NNT=48 4: Neuropathy Δ Rate/100 pt yr NNT=115 Hypoglycemia Δ Rate/100 pt yr NNT=115	Type 1 Diabetes • ↓ in microvascular complications in initial 6.5yrs (1 st endpoint: retinal neurodegeneration) (mostly ↓ retinal Δ on fundus photo 3 steps/25 stage scale, microalbuminuria & neuropathy) • a 10% relative reduction in A1C (regardless of what the initial A1c value was) resulted in a 43% relative risk ↓ in progression of retinopathy & a 25% relative risk ↓ in microalbuminuria. (Substantially less at lower A1C levels.) • ↑ severe hypoglycemia including coma/seizures NNT=9 (100pt-yr) & hospitalizations 54 vs 36 • possible ↓ in macrovascular complications in long-term follow up (~17yrs); however, limitations such as unmasking could bias results.
DCCT / EDIC 2 ~17yrs; n=1,394	93% of DCCT in follow-up till Feb05. age 45, BMI=28; 24yr hx	As above, but 94% of standard group changed to intensive insulin.	7.4% ⇒ 7.9% vs 9.1% ⇒ 7.8%	• ↓ CV events (nonfatal MI, CV death, stroke, angina, revascularization) 5.8% vs 10.3% NNT=23 (17yr) CI=12-352. (RRR=42% ↓)	
Type 2 (T2DM)					
UKPDS-33 3+ ~10yrs; n=3,867	New T2DM; age 54yrs; with FPG 6.1-15 on diet alone	Intensive SU or insulin vs diet. Target FBG <6mmol/L vs <15mmol/L	7% ⇒ 7% vs 7.9%	• ↓ microvascular endpoints NNT=42 (10yr); mostly retinal • no effect on CV events* • ↑ hypoglycemia esp. nocturnal	Type 2 Diabetes • intensive glucose control may ↑ or ↓ risk depending on type of patient & treatment (e.g. in ACCORD type patients, overly intensive pursuit of A1C target associated with ↑ death; no benefit in VADT; whereas in ADVANCE type patients, not quite as intensive tx had some benefit; UKPDS 33,34 reveal variability between extent of BG control & outcomes.) • BG control ⇒ possible microvascular benefit (ADVANCE & UKPDS; ACCORD) • metformin in newly diagnosed obese T2DM: reduces macrovascular events & all-cause death without ↑ weight or hypoglycemia (UKPDS-34, 80) • pioglitazone may ↓ CV events (2 nd outcome & statistical concerns) ^f , but ↑ HF & wt (rosiglitazone: ↑ HF, wt, fractures; uncertain CV outcomes (neutral in RECORD, but linkaway) 31) • macrovascular benefits seen with multifactorial approach to Tx -lifestyle, ↓ smoking, diet, exercise, BP, ACEI, statin, ASA, A1C, STENO-2 -statin therapy (simvastatin 40mg/d HPS; atorvastatin 10mg/d CARDS) -ACEI, BP reduction (e.g. ramipril 10mg/d MICROHOPE)
UKPDS-34 4+ ~10.7yrs; n=1,704	Obese T2DM; age 53yrs BMI=37kg; BMI=31	Metformin 1700mg am, 850mg pm vs conventional (diet, med)	7% ⇒ 7.4% vs 8%	• ↓ diabetes endpoint NNT=10 (10yr) (RRR=32%)* • ↓ all-cause death NNT=14 (10yr); ↓ stroke NNT=48 (10yr)	
Kumamoto 5 6yrs; n=110	Japanese with 2- & without retinopathy; UAE<300mg/24hr	Multiple insulin injection tx (MIT) vs conventional insulin tx (CIT)	9.2-9.4 ⇒ 7.1 vs 8.9 ⇒ 9.4	• ↓ early microvascular complications (retinopathy [2+ steps on 19 step scale]; nephropathy & neuropathy)	
PROACTIVE 6 ~2.9yrs; n=5,238	High CV risk; Age 61; BMI=30; A1C ≥ 6.5	Pioglitazone 45mg po daily vs Placebo (>10% higher rate of insulin use)	7.8% ⇒ 7% vs 7.5%	• 1 ^o composite-no effect; 2 ^o ↓ CV events NNT=50 (2.5yr) • ↑ wt 3.6kg/yr; ↑ HF NNT=31 (2.5yr) & edema.	
ACCORD 7 ~3.5yrs; n=10,251; ↑ death maintained @ 5yr follow-up	High CV risk; ~10yr hx T2DM; age 62; 93kg; North American	Intensive A1C target <6% (most on 3 oral hypoglycemics + insulin) vs standard A1C target 7-7.9%	8.1% ⇒ 6.4% vs 7.5% 7.2% vs 7.5% @ 5yrs	• ↑ all-cause death ↑ 22% in intensive group at 3.5yr resulted in halting trial (NNH=95 (3.5yr)); also severe hypoglycemia (NNH=9 (3.5yr)) & ↑ weight 3.5 vs 0.4kg • ↓ microvascular events over 5yrs (NNT=67 (5yr)), mostly nephropathy indicators; also ↑ severe hypoglycemia (NNH=83 (5yr)) & minimal wt change	
ADVANCE 8 ~5yrs; n=11,140	Hx of CV disease; 8yr hx T2DM; age 66; 78kg; Austral-Asian/European	Intensive A1C target 6.5% (most on SU (gliclazide) + metformin) vs standard A1C target = 7%	7.5% ⇒ 6.5% vs 7.3%	• ↓ microvascular events over 5yrs (NNT=67 (5yr)), mostly nephropathy indicators; also ↑ severe hypoglycemia (NNH=83 (5yr)) & minimal wt change	
RECORD 9^f ; n=4447; ~5.5yr; T2DM (A1C mean ~ 7.9% ⇒ 7.4-7.9%); open label; metformin or SU + rosiglitazone vs metformin + SU. No difference in CV death, MI, ↑ HF & fracture.					
STENO-2 2^g ; n=160; T2DM & microalbuminuria; multifactorial intensive (A1C <6.5% ⇒ 6.0% achieved @ 13yrs, 8.4 ⇒ 7.7%; BP, lipid, ACEI, ASA) vs conventional tx for 7.8yr + 5.5yr follow-up ⇒ ↓ death, NNT=5 (13yrs) p=0.02; ↓ macro & microvascular events. (Only 1 pt achieved all 5 targets at 13yrs)					
ADDITION-Europe 32^h ; n=3057 new T2DM, age 54 ⇒ 60; 5.3yrs; multifactorial intensive (A1C, BP, ACEI, cholesterol & lifestyle) ⇒ slight improvement in surrogates (A1C, LDL, BP) but non-significant ↓ in CV events/death; 7.2% vs 8.5%; HR 0.83, 95% CI: 0.65-1.05					
UGDP 10ⁱ ; (1927) n=1027; ~8yrs; T2DM. Tolbutamide ↑ CV mortality 2.5x; Phenformin ↑ CV 4x & all cause mortality. Insulin, even with adjustable dosing was no better than diet alone, but no harm. Results criticised e.g. ↑ death in more poorly controlled, etc. 13yr follow-up.					
VADT 11 ; n=1791; ~5.6yr; Age ~60yr; mostly T2DM x 11.5yr; 40% CAD Hx (veterans affairs). Intensive vs standard A1C Achieved: 6.9 vs 8.4%. NS effect: CV event, death 10% vs 9% or microvascular complications; but ↑ serious adverse events 17.4 vs 24.1%. ↓ CV risk if DBP < 70.					

+ UKPDS 80: 10 year observational follow-up to UKPDS 33 & 34 (Sep08): glycemic difference lost in follow-up, however risk reduction emerged/sustained for endpoints (MI & Death), especially with MF. (SU/insulin vs control: ↓ Death 30.3% ⇒ 26.8 per 1000 patient-yrs; MF vs control: ↓ Death 33.1% ⇒ 25.9 per 1000 patient-yrs) 12

T2DM "Prevention" Trials	Pre-diabetes	Intervention	Results	Summary (Note: "prevention of DM" a non-clinical outcome.)
FDPS 13 4yr, n=522 (Finnish Diabetes Prevention Study)	Age 40-65 (ave 55yrs); BMI ≥ 25 (mean 31); IGT (a FBG < 7.8mmol/L, 2hBG > 7.8 but < 11 mmol/L)	Intensive lifestyle vs control (Lifestyle: detailed, individualized counseling with nutritionist; individualized exercise circuit. Goals: ↓ weight > 5%, fat < 30% of all energy, fibre > 15g/1000kcal, & moderate exercise > 30 minutes/day.)	1 ^o : incident diabetes (4yrs): 11% vs 23% RRR= 58% HR = 0.4 (0.3-0.7) NNT/4yrs = 8 Δ Body wt: -4.2kg (-4.8 to -3.5) vs -0.8kg (-1.3 to -0.3) control 7 yr follow-up: effect persists 4.3 vs 7.4 cases/100 person-yrs 10yr follow-up: no effect on CV or total mortality	1) Intensive Lifestyle Interventions ✓ a. Most effective intervention for patients with IGT b. How intensive was intensive lifestyle? i. Individualized counseling/education important ii. Weight loss important
DPP 19 2.8yr, n=3,234 (Diabetes Prevention Project)	Age > 25 (mean 51yrs); BMI ≥ 24 (mean=34); IGT (FBG of 5.3-6.9 mmol/L, 2hBG of 7.8-11 mmol/L)	Intensive lifestyle* n=1079 Lifestyle+ metformin 850mg po BID n=1073 Lifestyle + placebo n=1079	1 ^o : incident diabetes (2.8yrs): 4.8 cases/100 person-yrs	

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DREAM-Rami 26 3yr, n=5,269	IGT or IFG or IFG Mean FBG=5.8mmol/l No DM or CV disease (eligibility expanded during trial)	Rosiglitazone 8mg po daily vs placebo (Trial stopped 5months early due to ↓ diabetes; but ↑ CV event rate approaching statistical significance.)	↓ diabetes in IGT subgroup only 16.8% vs 28.8%, NNT=10 (1 ^o : ↓ weight 5.8kg vs 3kg; ↑ GI SE's: 91% vs 66% 1yr) 1 ^o : incident diabetes or death: 11.6% vs 26%; NNT=7/3yrs (driven by diabetes; no difference in death); CV events: 2.9% vs 2.1% HR=1.37; CI 0.97-1.94	
NAVIGATOR 27 27	IGT & ↑ CV risk/disease	Ramipril 15mg po daily (start 5mg/d x2 months, then ↑ 10mg/d till 1 yr) vs placebo	1 ^o : incident diabetes or death: 18.1% vs 19.5% NS (Also, no difference in CV event rate 2.6% vs 2.4%)	
NAVIGATOR 27 27	IGT & ↑ CV risk/disease	Nateglinide: no ↓ in progression to diabetes or ↓ CV event. Valsartan ↓ diabetes RR 14% but no CV benefit.		

2hBG=2hr blood glucose BMI=body mass index CV=cardiovascular FBG=fasting blood glucose HF=hypercholesterolemia HF=heart failure hx=history IGT=impaired glucose tolerance MF=metformin NS=non-sig PPBG=post-prandial blood glucose SU=sulfonylurea Tx=treatment wt=weight yr=year
Links: GDA Professional: www.diabetes.ca/health/2008/08/08/ada-prevention-of-type-2-diabetes ADA Prevention/relay of type 2 diabetes: www.diabetes.ca/health/2008/08/08/ada-prevention-of-type-2-diabetes AAACE Prediabetes link 28 NICE T2DM: www.nice.org.uk/healthcare/2008/08/08/ada-prevention-of-type-2-diabetes COMPUS: link 29 Ann Int Med: link 30

Comparisons

Death/Major CV Events	
A1C	
Weight {wt <u>loss</u> vs neutral vs wt gain}	
Hypoglycemia risk	
HF / Edema {non-acute}	
LDL	
GI	
Cost	
Other	
Overall	

Metformin Glucophage

Metformin dose in UKPDS-34 : 1700mg am; 850mg pm

Death/Major CV UKPDS-34 in Obese	✓ ✓ ✓
A1C	✓ ✓ ✓
Weight {wt <u>loss</u> vs neutral vs wt gain}	✓ ✓ ✓
Hypoglycemia	✓ ✓ ✓
HF / Edema {non-acute}	✓ ✓
LDL	✓ ✓ ✓
GI	✗ Start low & titrate
Cost	✓ ✓ ✓
Other	✓ acute illness/HF/renal
Overall	✓ ✓ ✓

Outcomes: UKPDS-33,34,80. (ADOPT; some use in ADVANCE)



Sulfonylureas: Gliclazide / Glyburide

Diamicron

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Diabeta

Death/Major CV	✓	✓
A1C	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓
Weight	✓	✓
Hypoglycemia	Note: data from regular formulation; ?MR ✗	✗ ✗ sev 1.4%/yr
HF / Edema	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
LDL	✓	✓
GI	✓ ✓	✓ ✓ 1.8%
Cost – (generic)	✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓
Other	ADVANCE (+/- MF)	✗ renal/elderly
Overall	✓	✓

Outcomes - Glic: ADVANCE; Glyb: UKPDS-33,80. (Glyb: ADOPT)



TZDs: Pioglitazone / Rosiglitazone

Actos

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Avandia

Death/Major CV	✓	✗?
A1C	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
Weight	✗ ✗	✗ ✗
Hypoglycemia	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓
HF / Edema	✗ ✗	✗ ✗
LDL	✓	✗
GI	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
Cost	✗	✗ ✗
Other	✗ ?fractures, macular	✗ ?fractures, macular
Overall	✓?	✗?

Outcomes– Pio: ProACTIVE. Rosi: Meta-analysis?, RECORD^{interim}. (ADOPT, DREAM)

Acarbose Glucobay

Death/Major CV Events	✓ ✓
A1C	✓
Weight	✓ ✓ ✓
Hypoglycemia	✓ ✓ ✓
HF / Edema	✓ ✓
LDL	✓
GI	✗ ✗
Cost	✓
Other	✓ ✓ PPG, ?laxative, T1D
Overall	✓

Outcomes – (Prevention trial: Stop-NIDDM)



Glitinides: Repaglinide / Nateglinide

Gluconorm

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Starlix

	?	?
Death/Major CV	?	?
A1C	✓ ✓	✓
Weight	✓	✓ ✓
Hypoglycemia	✓	✓ ✓
HF / Edema	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
LDL	✓	✓
GI	✓ ✓	✓
Cost	✓	✓
Other	✓ ✓ PPG, flexible with meals but TID	✓ ✓ PPG, flexible with meals but TID
Overall	✓	✓

Incretin Related Agents

Januvia PO / Onglyza PO / Victoza SC / Byetta SC

Sitagliptin / Saxagliptin / Liraglutide / Exenatide

Death/Major CV	?	?	?	? ↑HR
A1C effect	✓	✓	✓ ✓	✓
Weight	✓ ✓	✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
Hypoglycemia	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓
HF / Edema	?	?	?	?
LDL	✓	✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
GI	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ nvd	✓ nvd
Cost	✗	✗	✗ ✗	✗ ✗
Other	All {✓✓ (PPG); ✗ (new)}			
	? ↑ Infection e.g. URTI		inj site; ??Pancreatitis; ??ca	
Overall	?	?	?	?

Insulin in T2DM

Range of Intensity: Less (NPH HS + MF) --- More (MDI)

Death/Major CV	✓ ✓?	✓ ✓? / ✗ ✗?
A1C	✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
Weight	✓	✗ ✗
Hypoglycemia	✓	✗ ✗ 1.8%/yr
HF / Edema	✓	✓
LDL	✓	✓
GI	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓
Cost	✓	✗ ✗
Other	✓ Fear/perception	✓ ✓ PPG, fear
Overall	✓ ✓?	✗? - ✓? - ✓ ✓?

Outcomes – UKPDS-33,80; ADVANCE, ACCORD. (T1DM: DCCT/EDIC)
 (Also Boussageon et al. Metaanalysis. BMJ 2011;343:d4169)



Metformin

- ◆ Unique: decrease all-cause mortality
 - ◆ **NNT=14 / 10yrs** UKPDS-34
- ◆ **Start low:** 250-500mg ... daily or BID
 - ◆ Titrate up: 1g BID; (2550/day UKPDS-34)
- ◆ **MF + insulin** (in T2DM):
 - ◆ less wt gain, less insulin required ...
- ◆ **Precautions** are not contraindications
 - ◆ Renal (lower dose if CrCl 30-60_{ml/min}; avoid if <30_{ml/min})
 - Caution in acute illness, unstable renal function
 - ◆ HF (if non-acute/non-decompensated)
 - ◆ Hepatic
 - {See RxFiles Q&A: Metformin Precautions}

Secretagogues

- ◆ **Sulfonylureas** (glyburide, gliclazide)
 - Outcome benefit: UKPDS, ADVANCE
 - Microvascular: yes; Macrovascular/Death: maybe
 - ◆ At the risk of hypoglycemia & hospitalizations
 - 75% effect often at lower half of dosing range
 - ◆ Glyburide: 2.5mg daily – 7.5mg BID
 - ◆ Gliclazide: MR daily; less hypoglycemia than glyburide
- ◆ **Glitinides** (repaglinide, nateglinide)
 - Consider for **meal flexibility** or PPG control
 - Repaglinide: more A1C reduction than nateglinide

TZDs

- ◆ Effective but Concerns
 - HF, Wt, macular edema, fracture ^{distal, women, other}
- ◆ **Rosiglitazone CV controversy**
 - ADA unanimously advised against using ^{OCT08}
 - Health Canada - restrictions
 - ◆ CV: neutral or possible increased MI/CV risk
 - a CDA-2008 option, but other options available
- ◆ **Pioglitazone**
 - Outcomes:
 - ProACTIVE - Macrovascular: maybe (with qualifiers e.g. HF)
 - ◆ Secondary outcome (primary outcome not significant)
 - Option in renal dysfx, intolerance to MF
 - Uncertainties: e.g. association with bladder ca

Acarbose

- ◆ Some positive CV outcome data
 - (Stop-NIDDM diabetes prevention trial)
 - ◆ 2ndary – reduce CV events; NNT=40/3.3yrs
- ◆ Good but...
 - Minimal A1C lowering
 - GI side effects...VERY COMMON
 - ◆ How much...
 - T1D dosing
 - Rare hepatic ADRs

Sitagliptin Januvia & Saxagliptin Onglyza

◆ Advantages

- Great for PPG Hypoglycemia
- Weight neutral
- Well tolerated

◆ Disadvantages

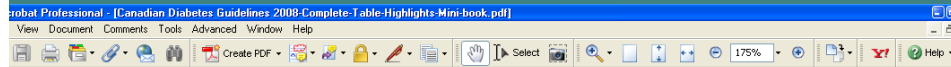
- No outcome data
- Long-term safety??
 - ◆ Real world use
 - ◆ Infections, skin Rx ^{SJS}
- Cost \$300/3 month

◆ Watch for:

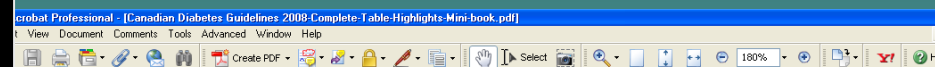
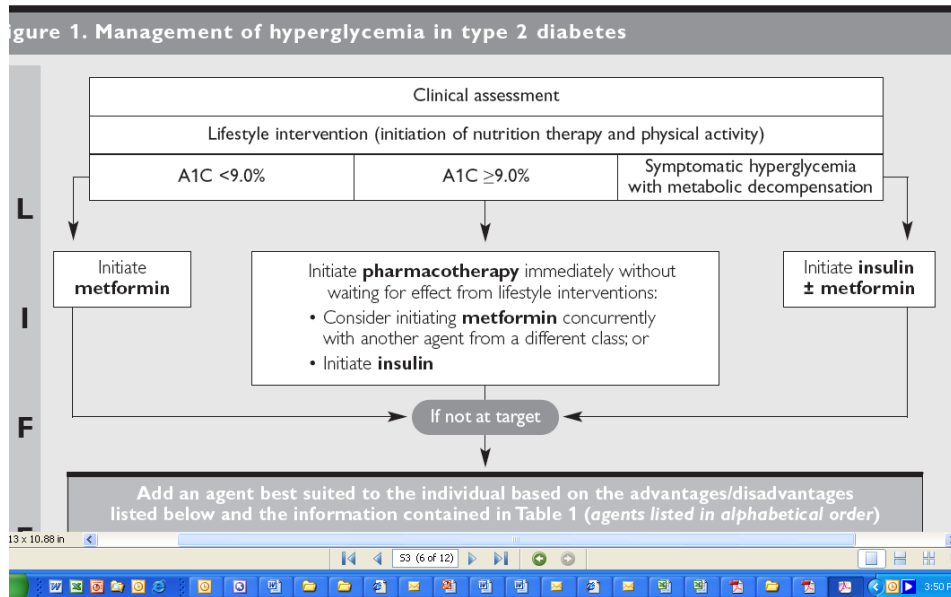
- A1C claims: generally 0.5-0.8% (0.7% Cochrane)
 - ◆ Greater effect:
 - in **combo with MF**, in newer pts & if higher initial A1C
- Will safety hold up in post-marketing period?
 - ◆ Infection rates (URTI, UTI) / immune system?, SJS, ca
- Beta cell preservation potential???
- {See RxFiles Q&A: Sitagliptin}

Clinical Practice Guidelines CDA – 2008

Add an agent best suited to the individual... advantages/disadvantages... listed in alphabetical order.



CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES



If not at target

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Add an agent best suited to the individual based on the advantages/disadvantages listed below and the information contained in Table 1 (agents listed in alphabetical order)

Class	A1C	Hypoglycemia	Other advantages	Other disadvantages
Alpha-glucosidase inhibitor	↓	Rare	Improved postprandial control Weight neutral	GI side effects
Incretin agent: DPP-4 inhibitor	↓ to ↓↓	Rare	Improved postprandial control Weight neutral	New agent (unknown long-term safety)
Insulin	↓↓↓	Yes	No dose ceiling Many types, flexible regimens	Weight gain
Insulin secretagogue: Meglitinide Sulfonylurea	↓ to ↓↓ ↓↓	Yes* Yes	Improved postprandial control Newer sulfonylureas (glipizide, glimepiride) are associated with less hypoglycemia than glyburide	Requires TID to QID dosing Weight gain
TZD	↓↓	Rare	Durable monotherapy	Requires 6–12 weeks for maximal effect Weight gain Edema, rare CHF, rare fractures in females
Weight loss agent	↓	None	Weight loss	GI side effects (orlistat) Increased heart rate/BP (sibutramine)