

**NAPOLI, 6 - 7 MARZO 2025** 

## 1° INTERNATIONAL BARIATRIC MEETING

**Bariatric Surgery and Pharmacological approach to Morbid Obesity: An open debate** 

# Farmaci anti-obesità: molecole a confronto



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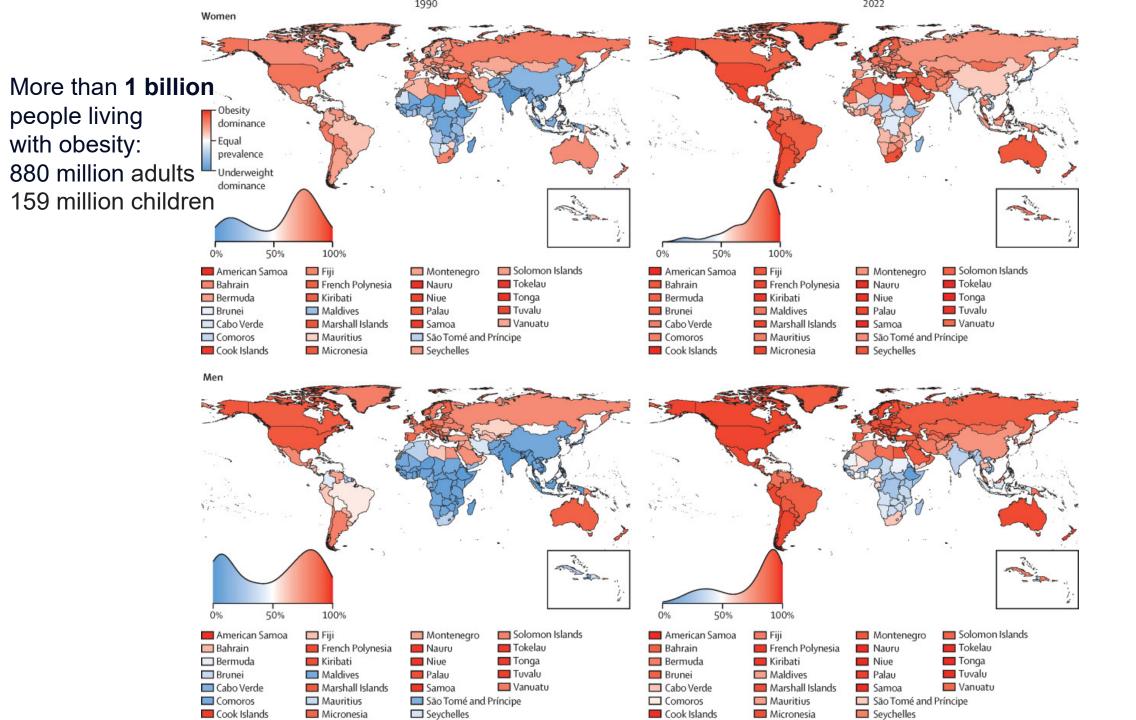


#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

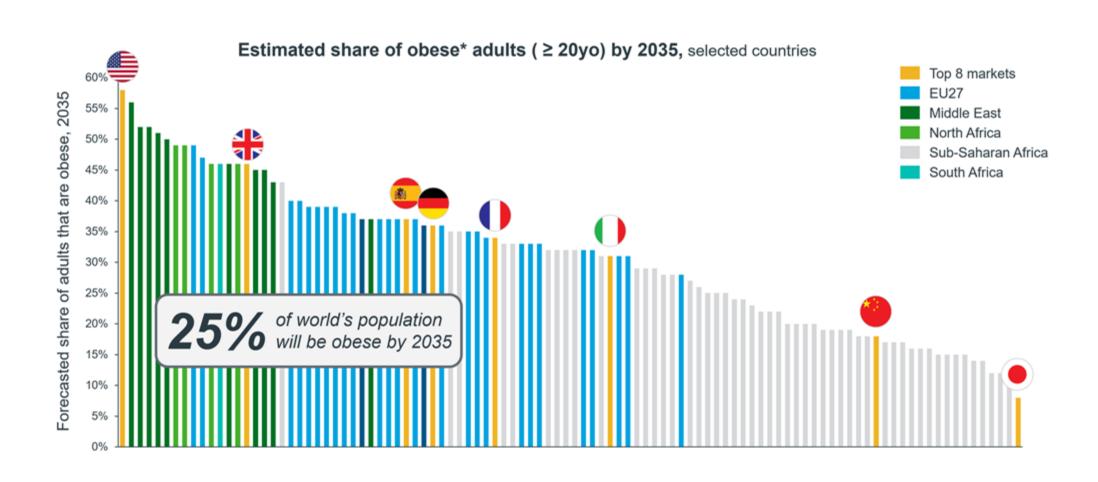
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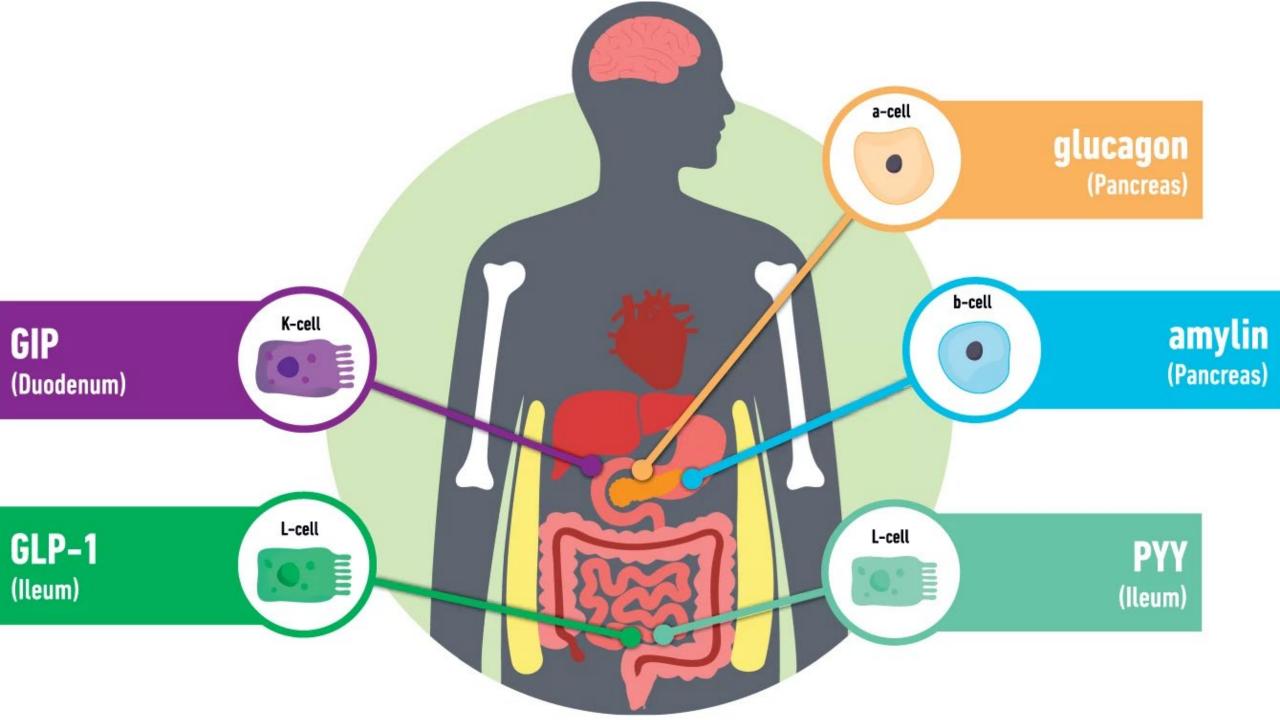


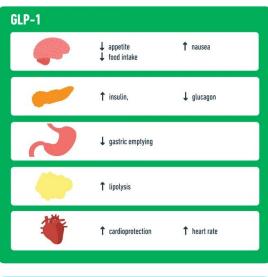
#### The global prevalence of obesity

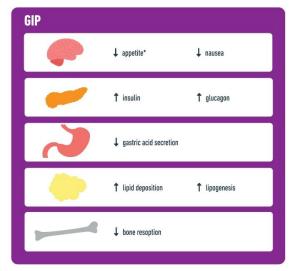


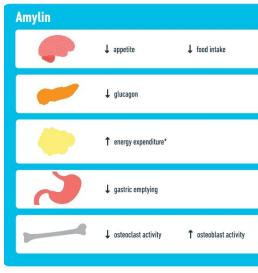


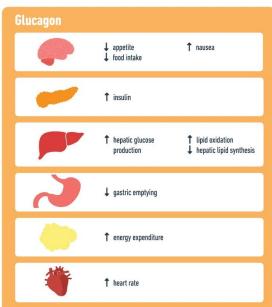




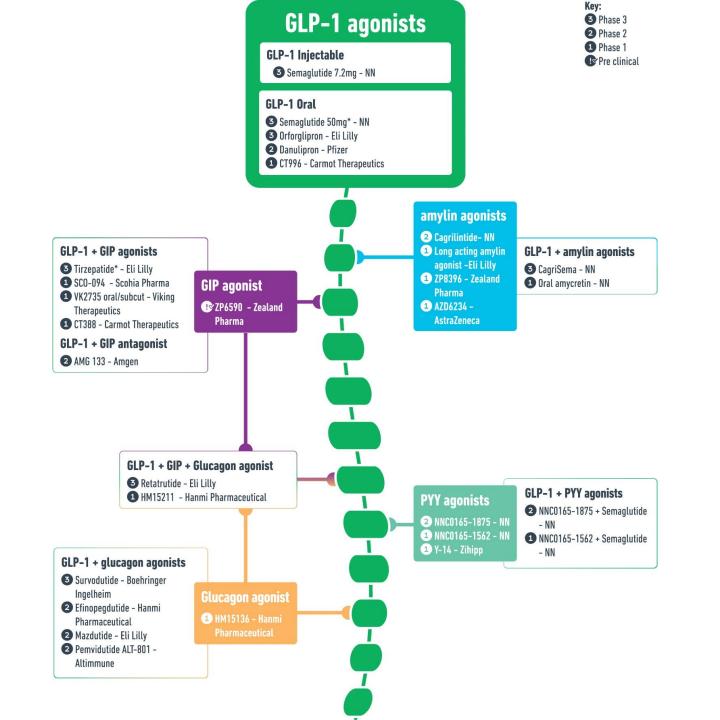


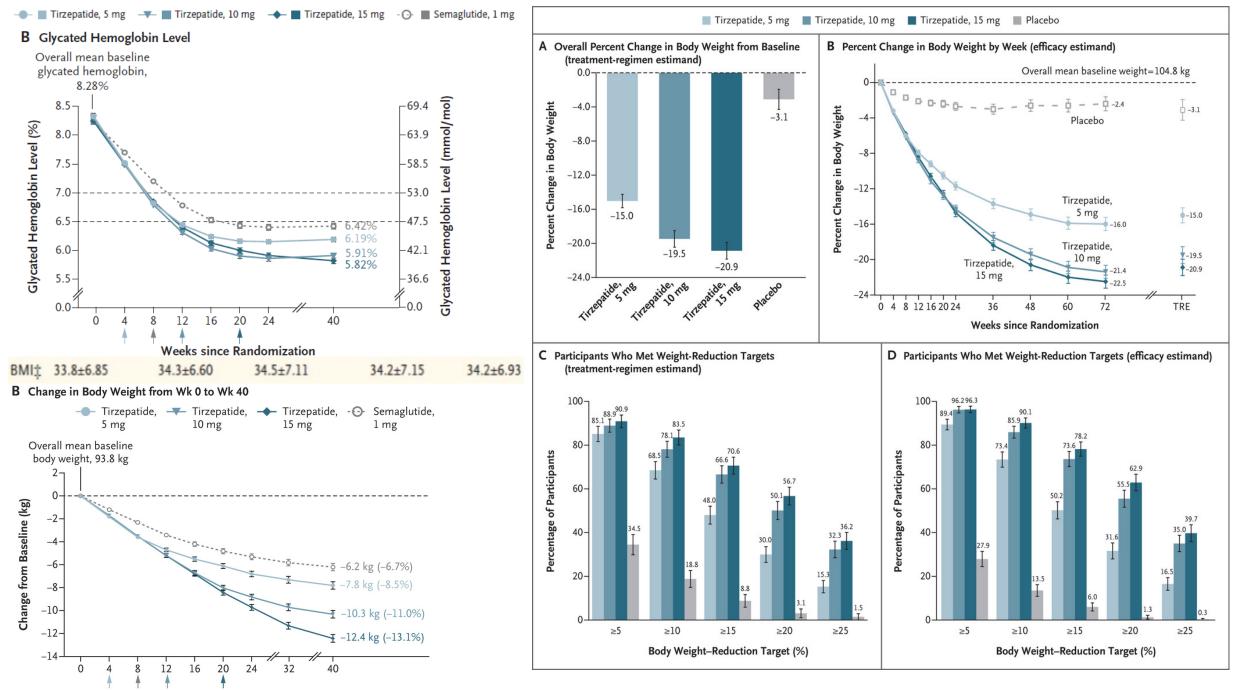


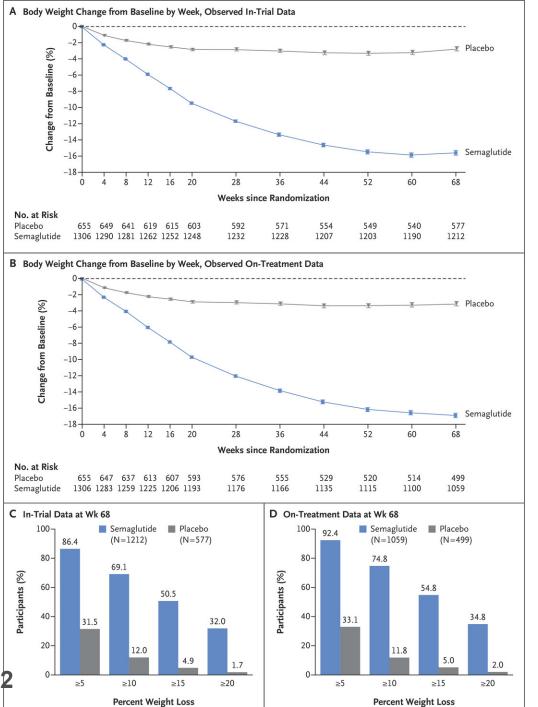












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25.8

≥15%

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≥20%

20-

≥5%

#### on treatment observation period

49.9

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≥5%

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≥10%

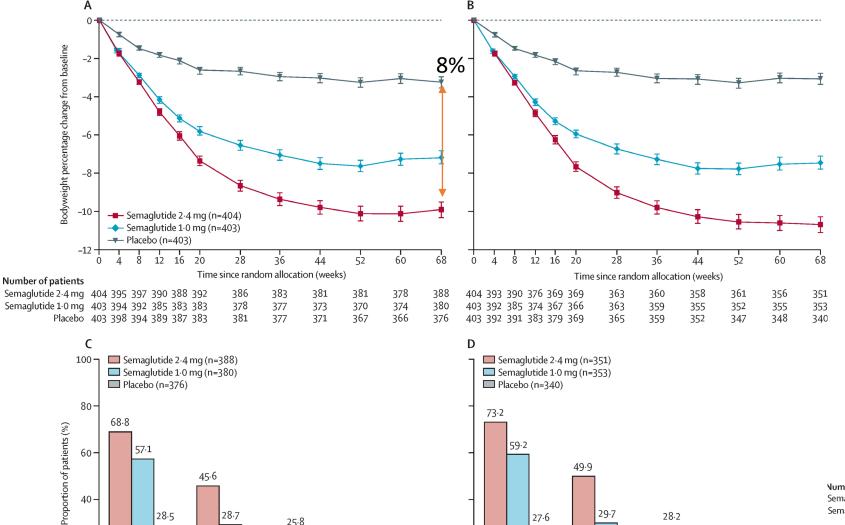
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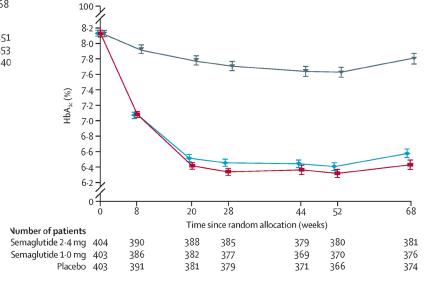
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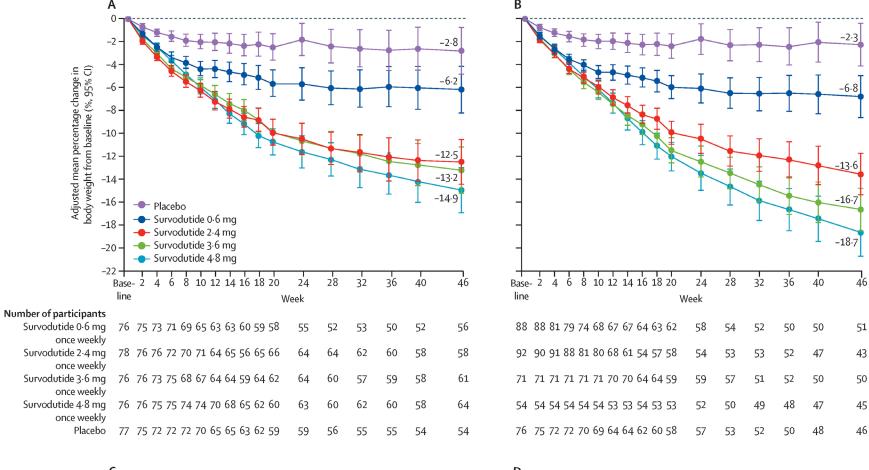
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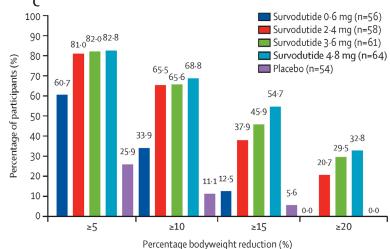


Semaglutide 2.4 mg once a week in adults with overweight or obesity, and type 2 diabetes (STEP 2): a randomised, double-blind, double-dummy, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial



Lancet. 2021 Mar 13;397(10278):971-





Survodutide 2.4 mg (n=43)
Survodutide 3.6 mg (n=50)
Survodutide 4.8 mg (n=45)
Placebo (n=46)

66.7

46.5

37.3

40.0
37.8

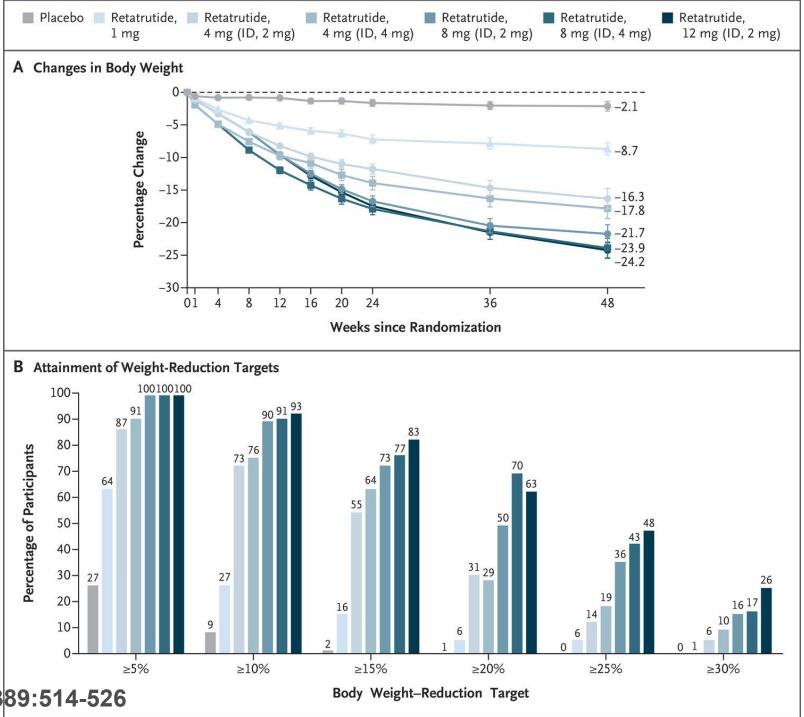
25.6

Percentage bodyweight reduction (%)

95.3 97.8

Survodutide 0.6 mg (n=51)

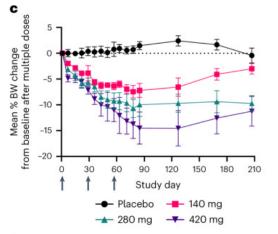
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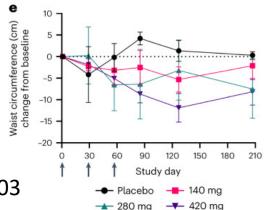


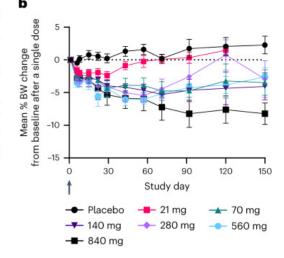
**Phase 2 Trial** 

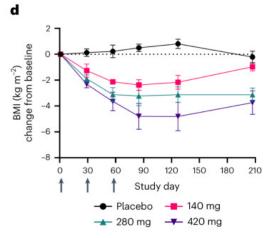
		(0	t <sub>max</sub> days)	t <sub>1/2</sub> (days)		
Dose (mg)	N	Intact AMG 133	Total AMG 133	Intact AMG 133	Total AMG 133	
21	6	5	5.9	14.3	21	
840	6	5.4	5.5	16.5	23.8	

Dose (mg)	N	Intact AMG 133 AUC <sub>0-28</sub> (day-µg ml <sup>-1</sup> )	Total AMG 133 AUC <sub>0-28</sub> (day-µg ml <sup>-1</sup> )
140	6	214 (8.7%)	297 (9.3%)
280	5	443 (29.7%)	599 (21.1%)
420	3	1,220 (34.3%)	1,610 (37.3%)









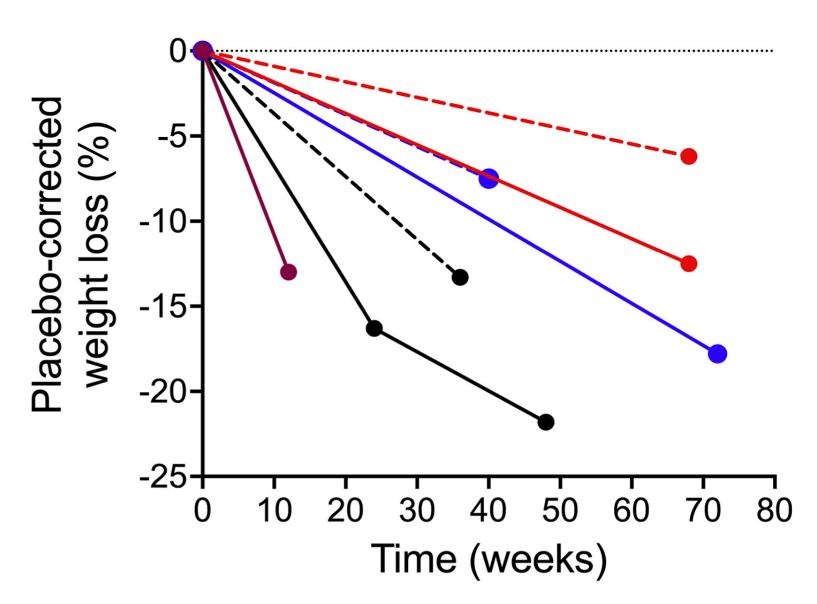
AMG 133 Amgen (maridebart cafraglutide)

is a dual GIPR antagonist and GLP-1R agonist

immunoglobulin G1-kappa, anti-GIPR (gastric inhibitory polypeptide receptor) monoclonal antibody

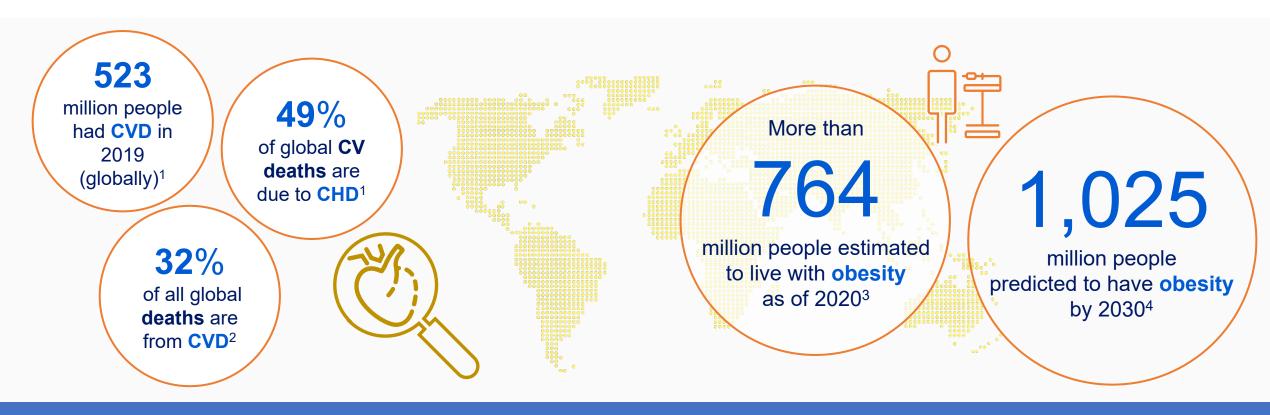
Nat Metab. 2024 Feb 5;6(2):290-303

- Semaglutide 2.4 mg QW
   Retatrutide 8 mg QW
- Tirzepatide 15 mg QW
   AMG 133 420 mg QM





## There is an unmet need for therapies that reduce CV events and support weight management



Effective interventions that lower CV events & death in this population are greatly needed!5



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## Obesity and cardiovascular disease: an ESC clinical consensus statement

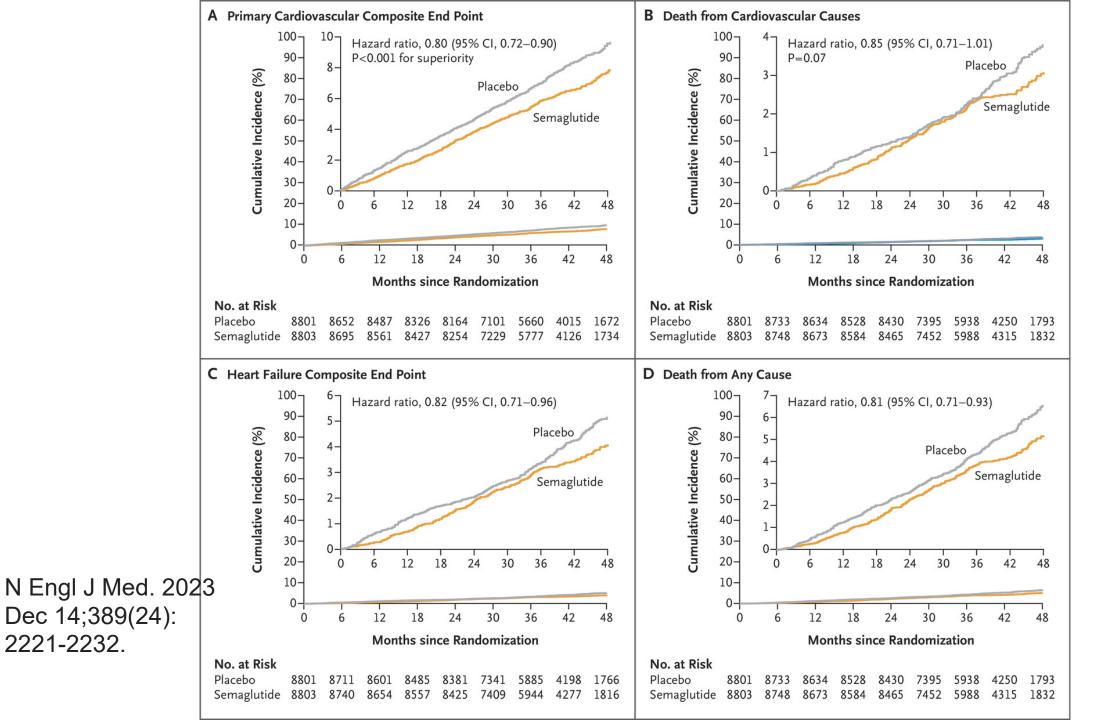
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#### ESC Guidelines recommendations on GLP-1RAs

- Glucose-lowering medications with effects on weight loss (e.g. GLP-1RAs) should be considered in patients with T2DM with overweight or obesity to reduce weight (Class IIa, level of evidence B).<sup>61</sup>
- GLP-1RAs with proven CV benefit (liraglutide, semaglutide s.c., dulaglutide, efpeglenatide) are recommended in patients with T2DM and atherosclerotic CVD to reduce CV events, independent of baseline or target HbA1c and independent of concomitant glucose-lowering medication (Class I, level of evidence A).<sup>61</sup>
- The GLP-1 RA semaglutide should be considered in overweight (BMI > 27 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) or obese chronic coronary syndrome patients without diabetes to reduce CV mortality, MI, or stroke. (Class IIa, level of evidence B).<sup>155</sup>

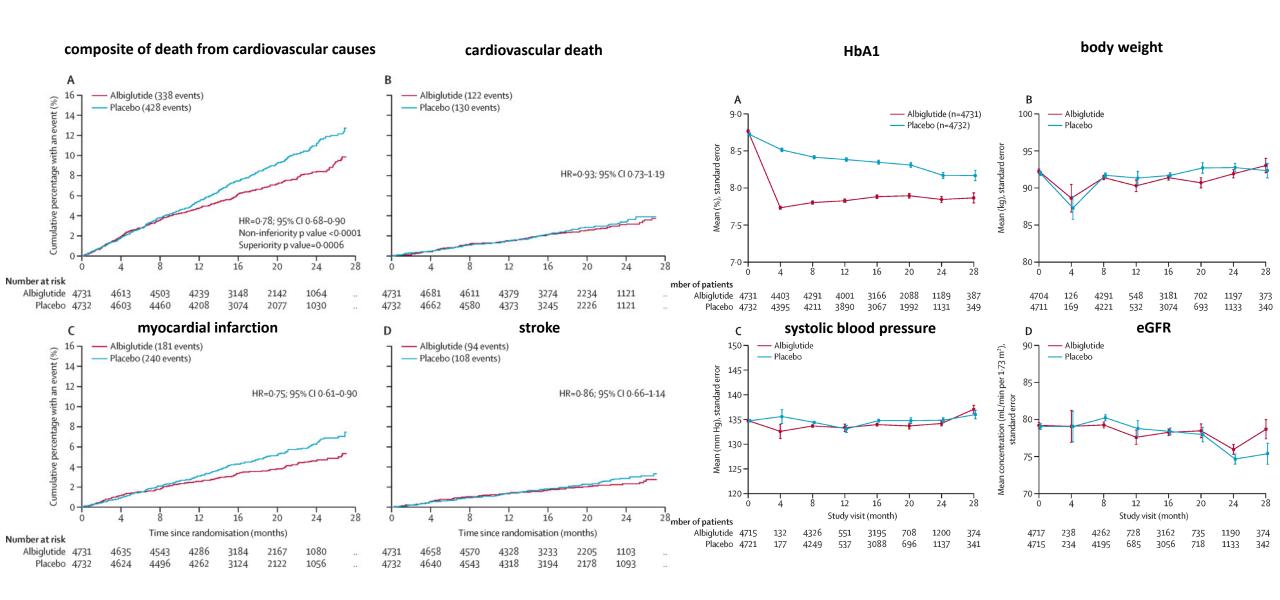
### ESC Guidelines recommendations on bariatric surgery

- Bariatric surgery should be considered for obese high-risk individuals when lifestyle change does not result in maintained weight loss (Class IIa, level of evidence B).
- Bariatric surgery should be considered for high and very high risk patients with T2DM and BMI ≥35 kg/m² when repetitive and structured efforts of lifestyle changes combined with weight-reducing medications do not result in maintained weight loss (Class IIa, level of evidence B).<sup>61</sup>



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#### **ALBIGLUTIDE**



Lancet. 2018 Oct 27;392(10157):1519-1529.

Figure S9 Effect of body weight reduction on HR of GLP-1RAs vs. placebo as for reducing MACE ( $\beta = -0.007$ , P = 0.846)

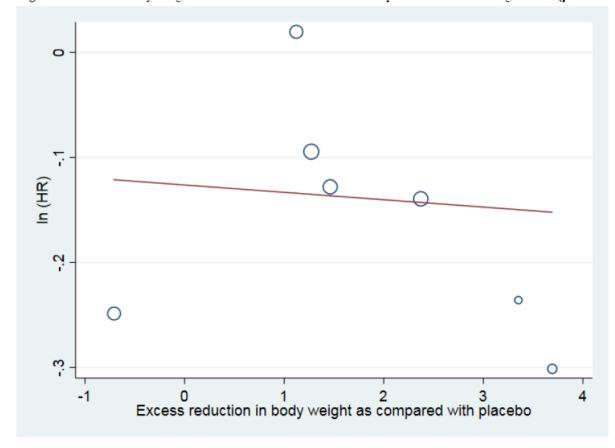
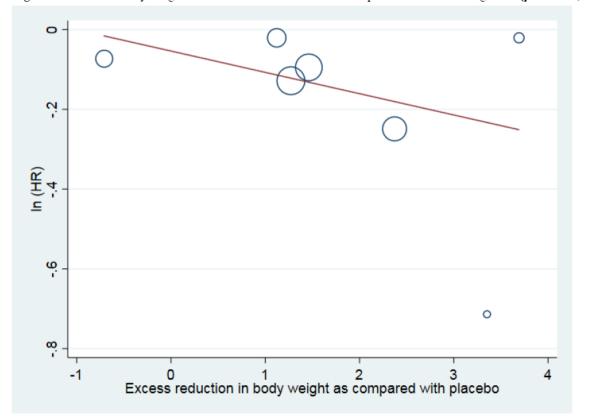


Figure S11 Effect of body weight reduction on HR of GLP-1RAs vs. placebo as for reducing CVD ( $\beta$  = -0.053, P = 0.268)



A Meta-Analysis with Meta-Regression. Diabetes Ther. 2020 Oct;11(10):2429-2440.

Of an estimated 687,866 patients at an annual 2435 hospitals, 69.9% underwent **SG** and 30.1% **RYGB**, with median costs of \$10,900 (interquartile range: 8600-14,000) and \$13,600 (10,300-18,000), respectively.

Am Surg. 2023 Oct;89(10):4061-4065.

#### **COST PER YEAR**

	UK	US	Germany	Denmark	Italy
Semaglutide 2.4 mg	\$ 3693	\$ 16234	\$ 3918	\$ 4380	\$ 5105
Tirzepatide 15 mg	\$ 2875	\$ 12829	\$ 3337		\$ 8602

#### The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Tirzepatide versus Semaglutide Once Weekly in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes

Table 2. Adverse Events and Safety.*										
Event	Tirz epatide					Semaglutide		Total (N = 1878)		
	5 mg (N= 470)		10 mg (N=469)		15 mg (N = 470)		1 mg (N = 469)			
	No. of patients (%)	No. of events	No. of patients (%)	No. of events						
Patients with ≥1 adverse event	299 (63.6)	_	322 (68.7)	_	324 (68.9)	_	301 (64.2)	_	1246 (66.3)	_
Patients with ≥1 serious adverse event	33 (7.0)	_	25 (5.3)	_	27 (5.7)	_	13 (2.8)	_	98 (5.2)	_
Death†	4 (0.9)	_	4 (0.9)	_	4 (0.9)	_	1 (0.2)	_	13 (0.7)	_
Adverse events leading to discontinuation of tirzepatide or semaglutide	28 (6.0)	_	40 (8.5)	_	40 (8.5)	_	19 (4.1)	_	127 (6.8)	_
Adverse events occurring in ≥0.2% of the overall population (i.e., 3 patients) and leading to discontinuation of tirzepatide or semaglutide										
Nausea	6 (1.3)	_	7 (1.5)	_	4 (0.9)	_	4 (0.9)	_	21 (1.1)	_
Vomiting	1 (0.2)	_	4 (0.9)	_	4 (0.9)	_	3 (0.6)	_	12 (0.6)	_
Diamhea	1 (0.2)	_	3 (0.6)	_	6 (1.3)	_	1 (0.2)	_	11 (0.6)	_
Abdominal pain	2 (0.4)	_	1 (0.2)	_	2 (0.4)	_	4 (0.9)	_	9 (0.5)	_
Dyspepsia	2 (0.4)	_	1 (0.2)	_	2 (0.4)	_	0	_	5 (0.3)	_
Decreased appetite	1 (0.2)	_	2 (0.4)	_	2 (0.4)	_	0	_	5 (0.3)	_
Fatigue	1 (0.2)	_	1 (0.2)	_	1 (0.2)	_	1 (0.2)	_	4 (0.2)	_
Elevated blood calcitonin level	1 (0.2)	_	1 (0.2)	_	1 (0.2)	_	0	_	3 (0.2)	_
Constipation	0	_	2 (0.4)	_	0	_	1 (0.2)	_	3 (0.2)	_
Covid-19-related pneumonia	1 (0.2)	_	1 (0.2)	_	0	_	1 (0.2)	_	3 (0.2)	_
Injection-site reaction	0	_	2 (0.4)	_	1 (0.2)	_	0	_	3 (0.2)	_
Nausea	82 (17.4)	111	90 (19.2)	124	104 (22.1)	136	84 (17.9)	126	360 (19.2)	497
Diarrhea	62 (13.2)	120	77 (16.4)	99	65 (13.8)	102	54 (11.5)	68	258 (13.7)	389
Vorniting	27 (5.7)	35	40 (8.5)	56	46 (9.8)	61	39 (8.3)	53	152 (8.1)	205
Dyspepsia	34 (7.2)		29 (6.2)		43 (9.1)		31 (6.6)		137 (7.3)	-
Decreased appetite	35 (7.4)	_	34 (7.2)	_	42 (8.9)	-	25 (5.3)	-	136 (7.2)	_
Constipation	32 (6.8)	-	21 (4.5)	-	21 (4.5)	-	27 (5.8)	_	101 (5.4)	-
Abdominal pain	14 (3.0)	_	21 (4.5)	_	24 (5.1)	-	24 (5.1)	_	83 (4.4)	_
All gastrointestinal adverse events	188 (40.0)	-	216 (46.1)	-	211 (44.9)	-	193 (41.2)	-	808 (43.0)	-
Other adverse events										
Hypogly cemia, blood glucose level <54 mg/dl	3 (0.6)	3	1 (0.2)	2	8 (1.7)	10	2 (0.4)	2	14 (0.7)	17
Severe hypoglycemia	1 (0.2)	1	0	0	1 (0.2) ‡	1‡	0	0	2 (0.1)	2
Injection-site reaction	9 (1.9)	-	13 (2.8)	-	21 (4.5)	-	1 (02)	-	44 (2.3)	-
Adjudicated pancreatitis	0	_	2 (0.4)	-	2 (0.4)	_	3 (0.6)	_	7 (0.4)	_
Cholelithiasis	4 (0.9)	-	4 (0.9)	-	4 (0.9)	-	2 (0.4)	-	14 (0.7)	-
Hypersensitivity§	9 (1.9)	_	13 (2.8)	-	8 (1.7)	_	11 (2.3)	-	41 (2.2)	_
Diabetic retinopathy¶	0	-	2 (0.4)		0	_	0		2 (0.1)	-

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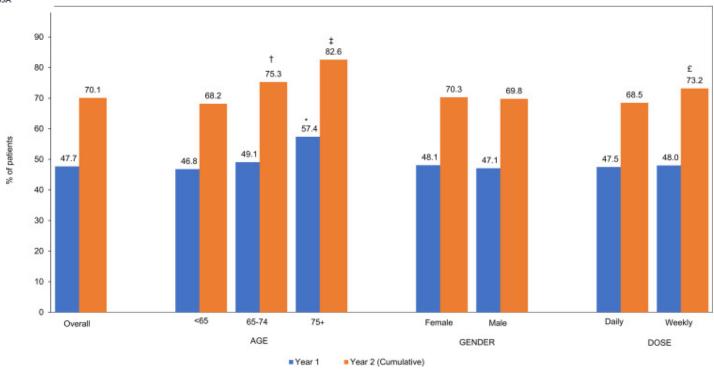
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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

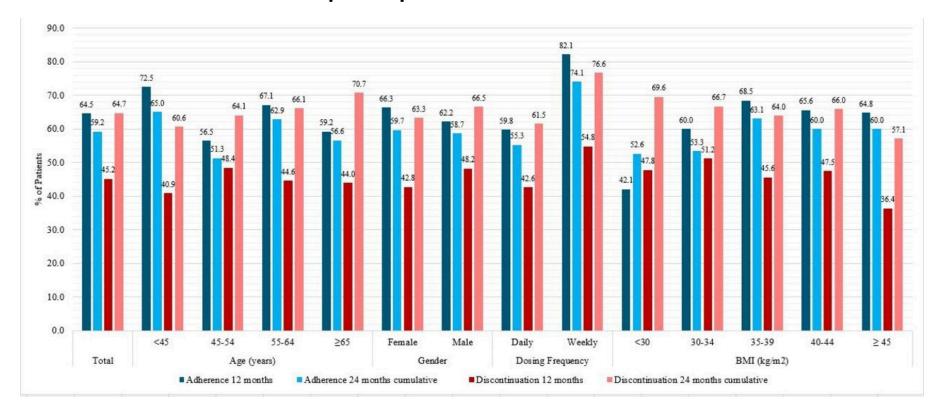
Real-World Adherence and Discontinuation of Glucagon-Like Peptide-I Receptor Agonists Therapy in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Patients in the United States



Proportion of Patients Who Discontinued GLP-1 RA Therapy, n=4791.

A total of 4791 T2DM patients had  $\geq 1$  and 3907 had  $\geq 2$  GLP-1 RA prescription claims. **50.9%** and 47.4% of patients were adherent at 12 and 24 months, respectively.

## Per cent of patients who were adherent to (n=530)† and discontinued (n=589) GLP-1 RA therapy at 12 and 24 months. †Adherence assessed among patients with two or more GLP-1 RA prescriptions. UNITED STATES



"A minority of patients initiating GLP-1 RAs achieved ≥5% weight loss, suggesting the real-world benefit of these agents on weight loss may be lower than that observed in clinical trials. Patients on GLP-1 RAs may benefit from additional support to improve long-term adherence."



#### CONCLUSIONS

GLP-1 receptor agonists (GLP-1 RAs), along with dual GLP-1 and GIP receptor agonists, and triple agonists targeting GIP, GLP-1, and glucagon receptors, have been shown to significantly reduce appetite and enhance feelings of satiety, resulting in high weight loss.

The weight loss effect is generally more pronounced in individuals with obesity alone compared to those with both obesity and type 2 diabetes. However, despite the difference in weight loss, their impact on glycemic control in individuals with type 2 diabetes appears to be largely independent of weight reduction. Even with less pronounced weight loss, these agents still achieve substantial reductions in glycated hemoglobin (HbA1c), highlighting their potent glucose-lowering effects.

In addition, certain GLP-1 RAs, such as semaglutide (at a dose of 2.4 mg) and albiglutide, demonstrate benefits that extend beyond weight loss. These molecules appear to exert a direct cardioprotective effect, acting on the heart and arteries, further supporting their role in reducing cardiovascular risks in patients with obesity and diabetes. This suggests that the therapeutic advantages of these agents encompass both metabolic and cardiovascular improvements, making them highly valuable in managing these conditions.



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