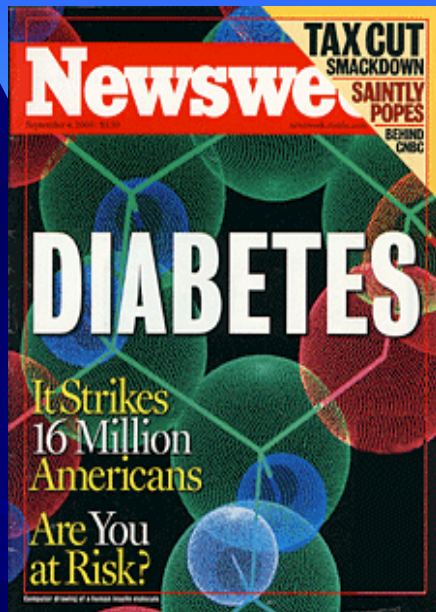


# **Controlling Diabetes: Successfully Using Oral Agents, Insulins, Exenatide and Pramlintide**

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# U.S. Diabetes Prevalence

18+ Million



- 41+ million have Prediabetes
- 1.3 million new cases each year
- #1 cause of blindness
- 45% all new cases ESRD
- 60% all amputations
- 70% of people have neuropathy
- 70% die of MI or CVA
- Prevalence is increasing, but control is deteriorating<sup>2,3</sup>

[www.diabetes.org/diabetes-statistics/national-diabetes-fact-sheet.jsp](http://www.diabetes.org/diabetes-statistics/national-diabetes-fact-sheet.jsp)

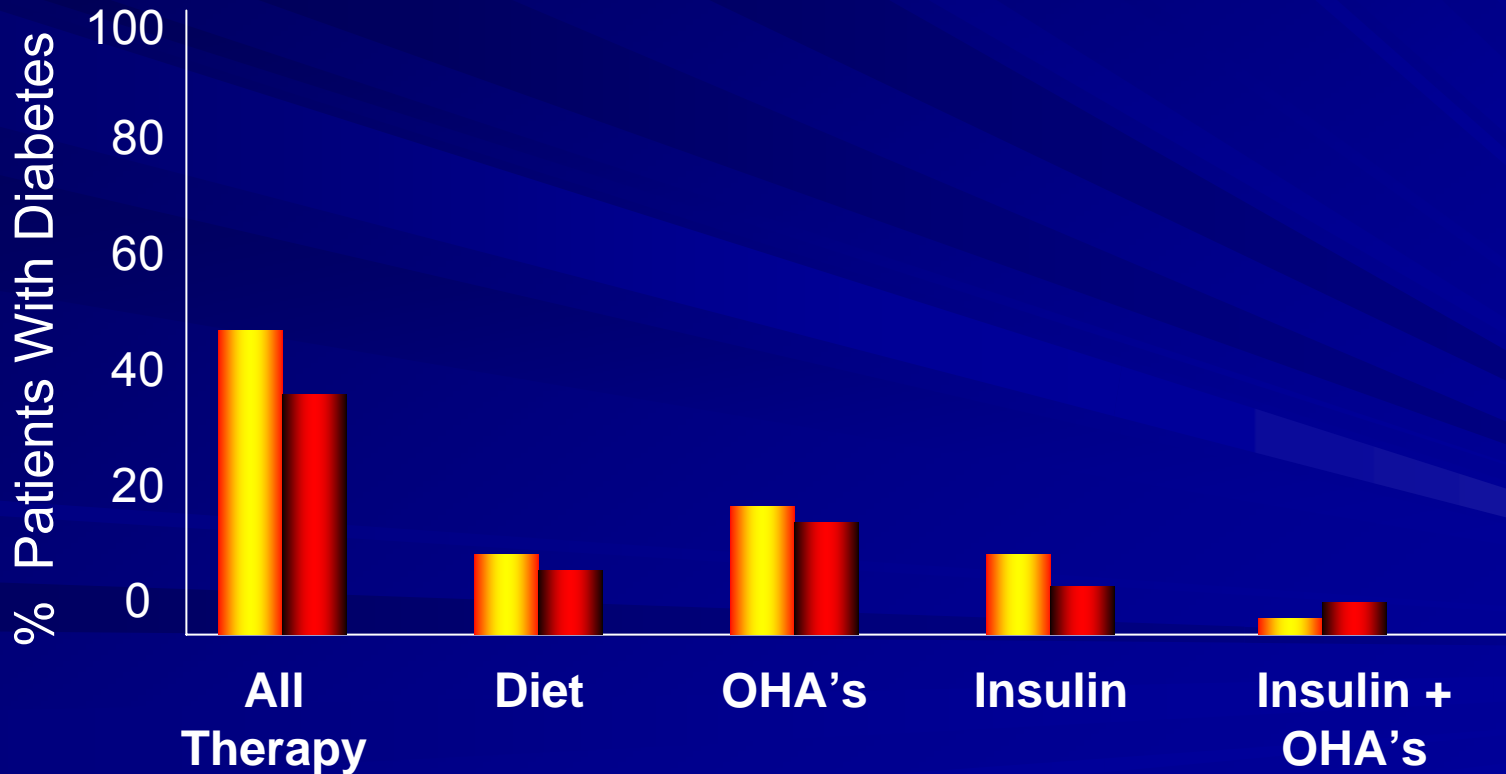
<sup>2</sup> ADA. *Diabetes Care*. 2003;26:917-932.

<sup>3</sup> Koro CE et al. *Diabetes Care*. 2004;27:17-20.

# Glycemic Control Has Not Improved

Percent of Patients with A1c <7.0%

■ NHANES 1988-1994  
■ NHANES 1999-2000



# Management of T2DM Has Not Improved

## Risk Factor Control

Saydah SH et al. *JAMA* 2004;291:335-342

	NHANES (1988-1994)	NHANES (1999-2000)
A1c <7%	44%	37%
BP <130/80	29%	36%
TC <200	34%	50%
<b>All 3 at Goal</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>7%</b>

# Therapeutic Trends In The USA For Patients With T2DM

- A single oral agent is started when the average A1c is 8.7%, *and* the A1c had been >8% for 9 months!
- A second oral agent is started when the average A1c is 8.8% *and* the patient had been a single-agent failure for 15 ~21 months!!
- Insulin is started when the average A1c is 9.6% *and* the A1c had been >8% for almost 2 years!!!

# Relationship Between Physicians' Target Fasting Glucose and Metabolic Control of T2DM

## QuED Study Group Survey

- Objective:

Investigate the relationship between physicians beliefs on tight control of T2DM versus FPS & A1c in their patients

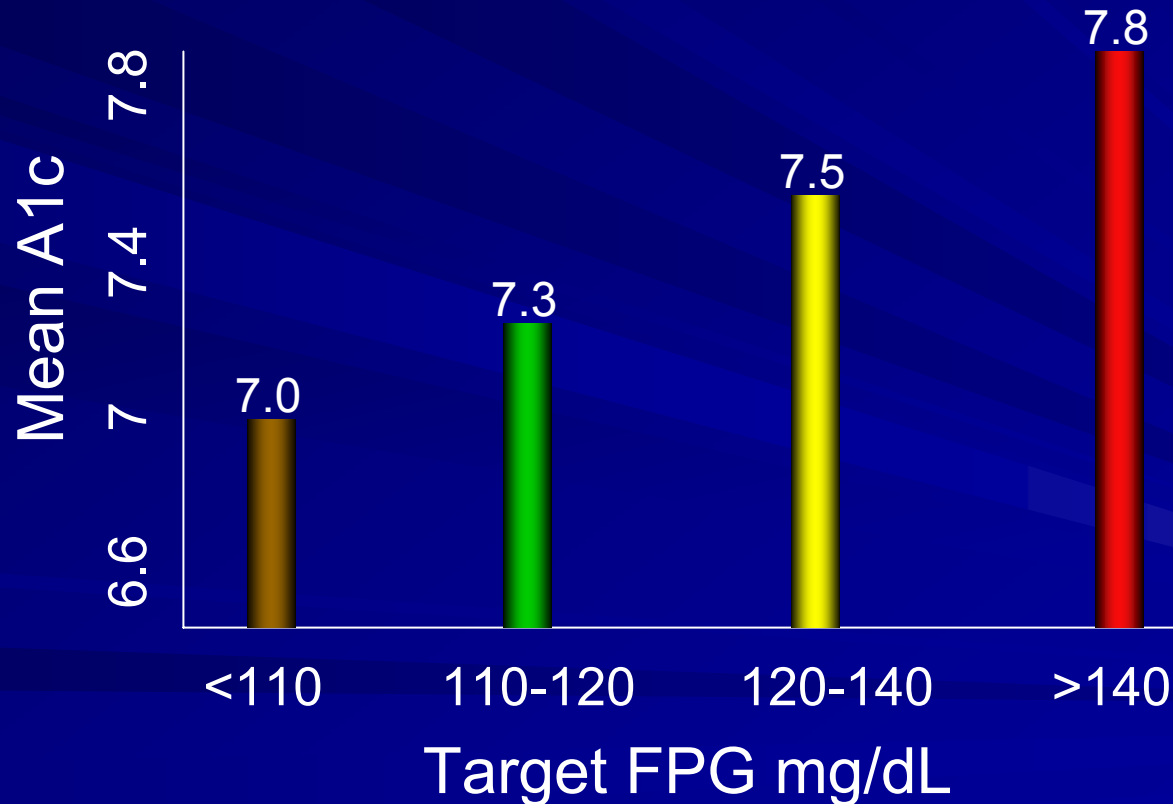
- 456 physicians were surveyed:

“For your average patient with T2DM, what do *you* think the fasting glucose should be?”

- Data on glycemic control was later collected

# The QuED Study Group Results

Relationship Between Patient's A1c and Physician's Target FPG



# Barriers To Achieving Control of T2DM

- Physician's attitudes

  - Hypoglycemia

  - Weight gain

  - Starting insulin

- Patient's fears

  - Hypoglycemia

  - Weight gain

  - Insulin

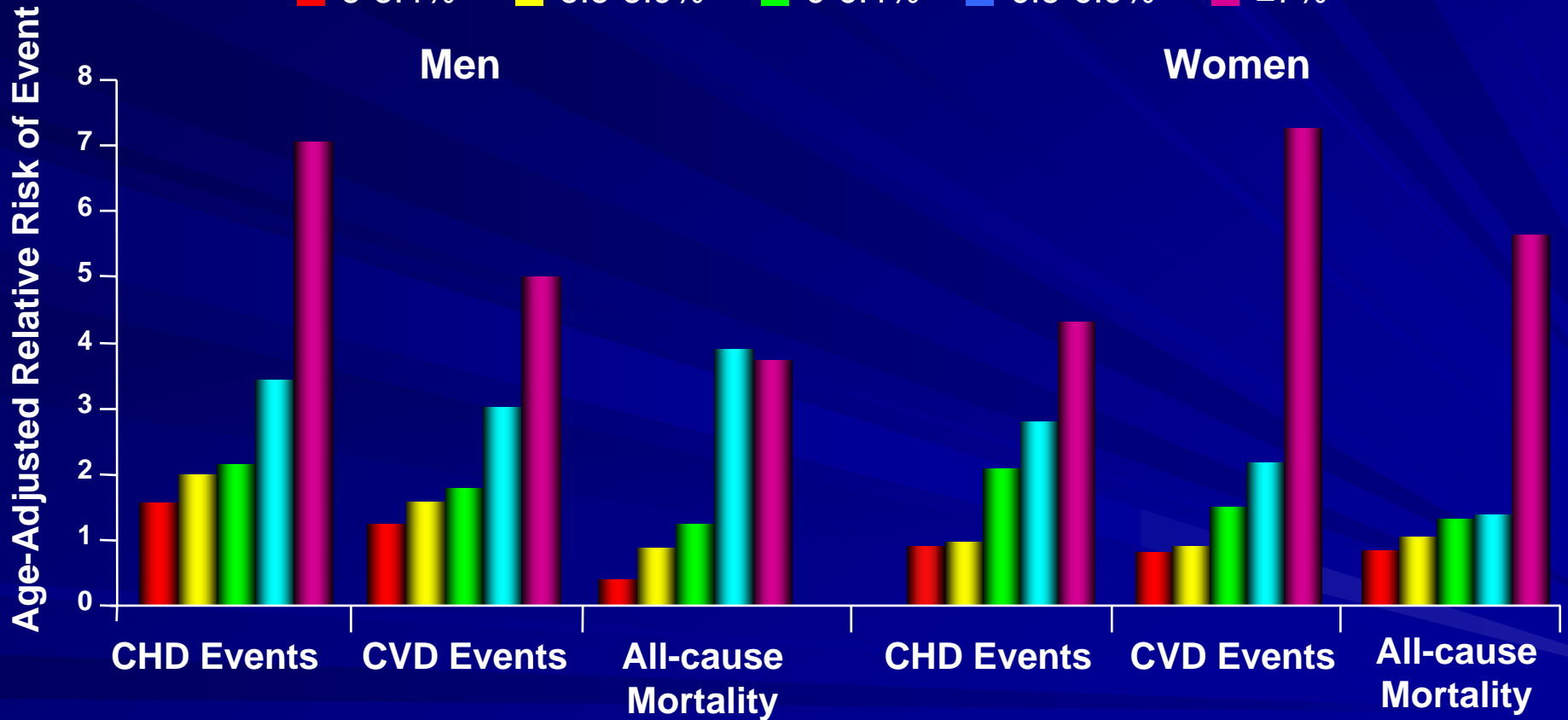
- Overcoming Inertia

  - Patient does not believe T2DM is a problem

  - Physician does not believe tight control is necessary

# EPIC-Norfolk Study: HbA<sub>1c</sub> and Risk of CV Events or Death

■ 5-5.4%   
 ■ 5.5-5.9%   
 ■ 6-6.4%   
 ■ 6.5-6.9%   
 ■ ≥7%



# Therapeutic Goals

- A1c <6.5%
  - Fasting glucose <110 mg/dL
  - 2 h postprandial <140-180 mg/dL
- Blood pressure <130/80 mmHg
- LDLc <100 mg/dL  
(<70 mg/dL if very high risk)
- Triglyceride <150 mg/dL

# What Should Be The First Therapy?

- First therapy can be determined based on the A1c

A1c  $\leq$ 6.5%: Continue course

A1c  $\leq$ 8.5%: Monotherapy<sup>1,2</sup>  
Combination therapy

A1c  $\geq$ 8.5%: Combination therapy<sup>3</sup>

- Combination therapy

Metformin + TZD

Metformin + SU

Metformin or SU + Exenatide

Metformin + SU + Exenatide

<sup>1</sup> Monotherapy with SU or Metformin does not sustain A1c reductions (UKPDS)

<sup>2</sup> Glipizide ER and glimepiride have a lower incidence of hypoglycemia

<sup>3</sup> If glucose is  $>260$  mg% and the patient is symptomatic, insulin is required

# Should Combination Therapy Be The First Intervention?

- Ideal Intervention:

  - Reduce A1c to  $<6.5\%$

  - No hypoglycemia

  - No weight gain

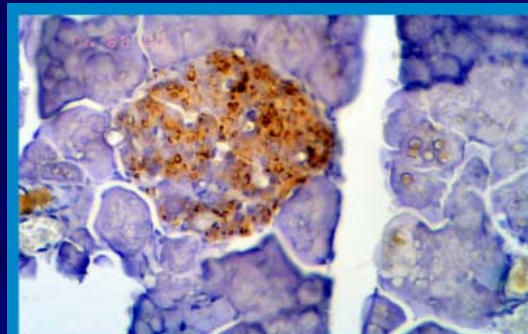
  - Improve Beta-cell function

  - Durability

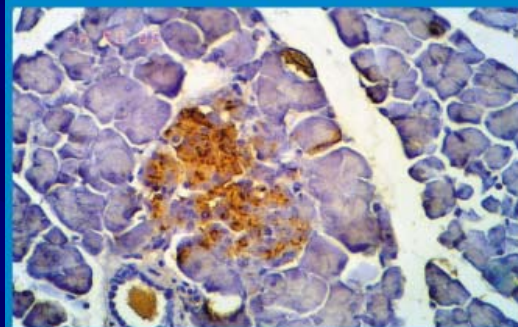
- Should metformin +TZD be the first intervention?

- Should Metformin &/or SU + Exenatide be the first intervention?

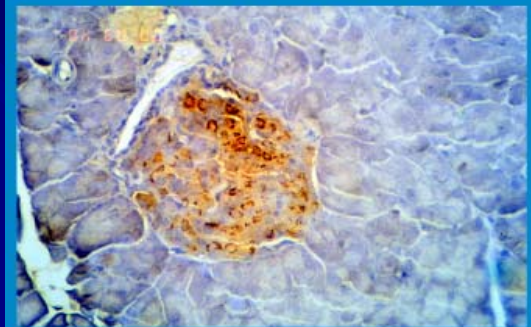
# Rosiglitazone Increases Islet Insulin In db/db Mice\*



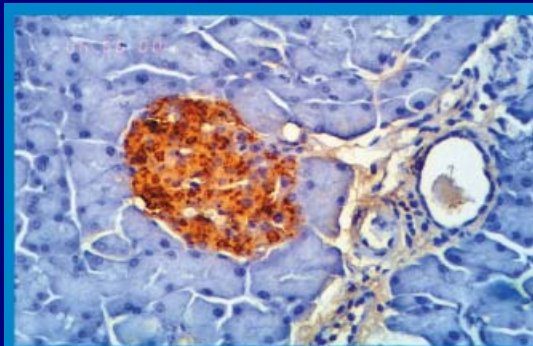
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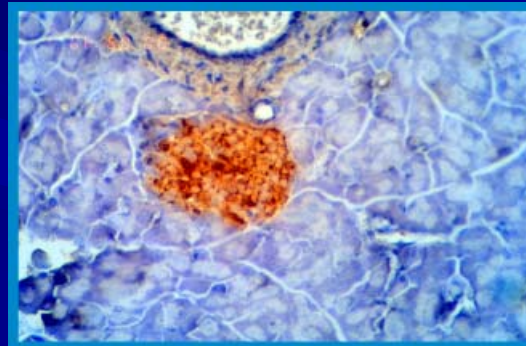
Glyburide



Metformin



Rosiglitazone



Lean Control

\* Clinical significance of the preclinical findings is unknown.  
28 days' treatment with rosiglitazone 1.42 mg/kg, metformin 100 mg/kg,  
glyburide 49.4 mg/kg.

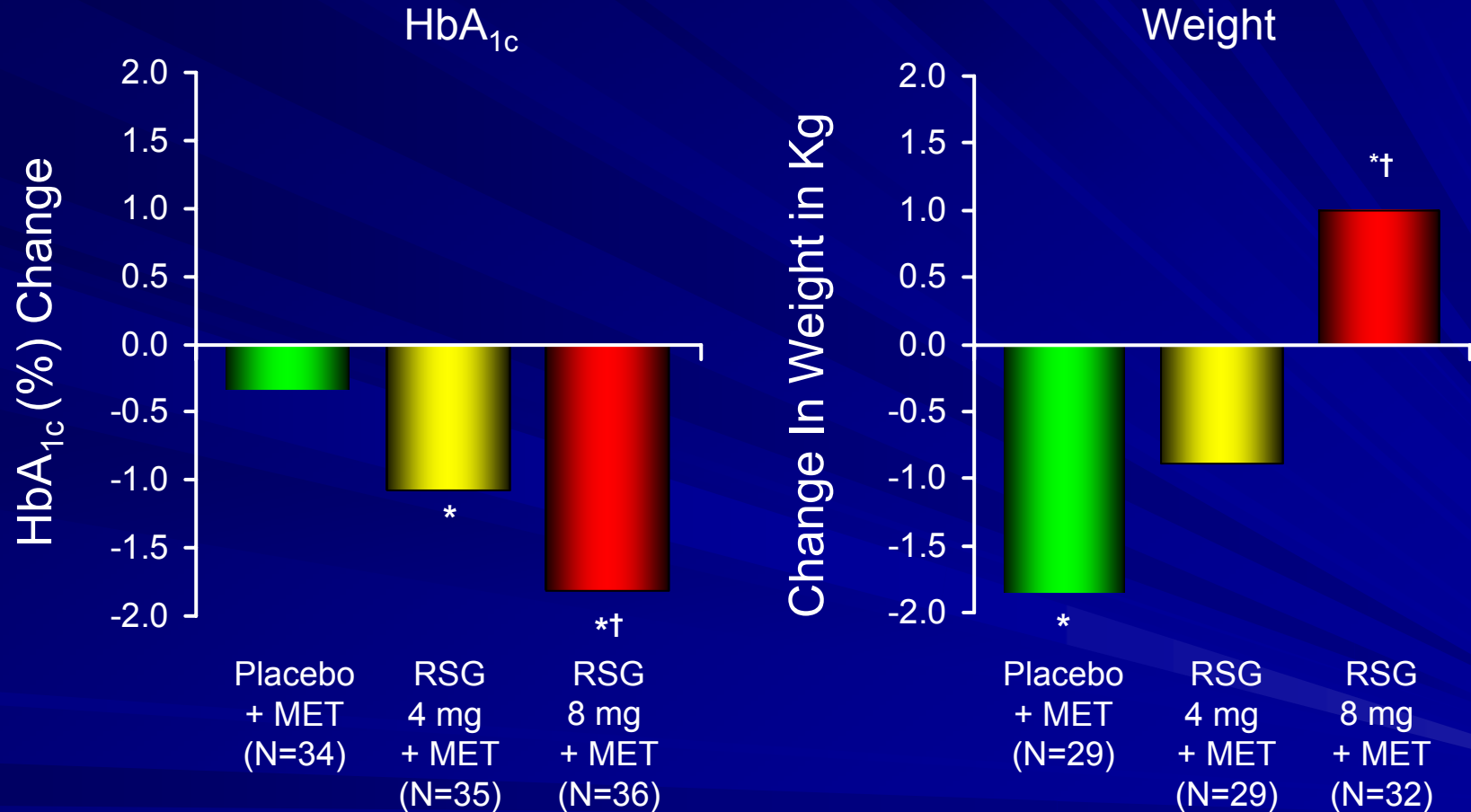
# Patient F.T.N.

- 40-year-old white male had an acute onset diabetes age 34. He had always been treated with insulin and the A1c ~12% (non-adherence)
- Lab     C-peptide: 3.7 ng/mL  
          GAD antibody negative
- Therapeutic changes
  - a. Stop insulin  
    Begin sulfonylurea + metformin  
    → A1c decreased to 6.9%
  - b. TZD later added to SU + metformin  
    → Increased C-peptide and ↓A1c

# C-Peptide & Thiazolidinediones

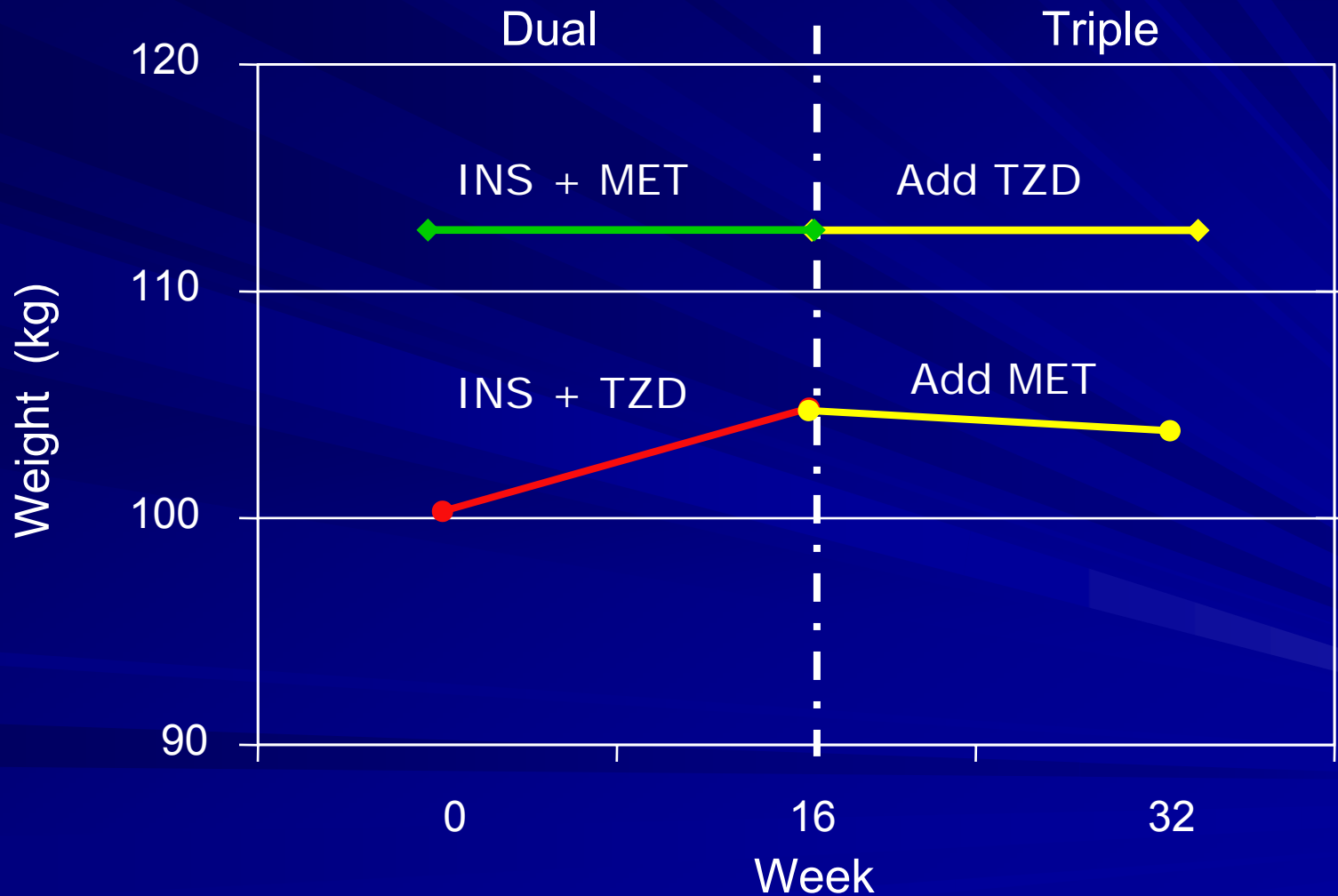
Patient F.T.N.		C-Peptide	A1c
Insulin		3.7 ng/mL	12.0%
d/c insulin			
Begin SU + Met	6 mo	3.7	6.9
Add TZD (Rezulin)	12 mo		10.0
	18 mo	6.3	10.0
	24 mo	9.4	6.6

# Effects Of Rosiglitazone Plus Metformin On A1c and Weight



\*Significant difference from screening. †Significant difference from metformin.  
Study 044. Data on File. GlaxoSmithKline.

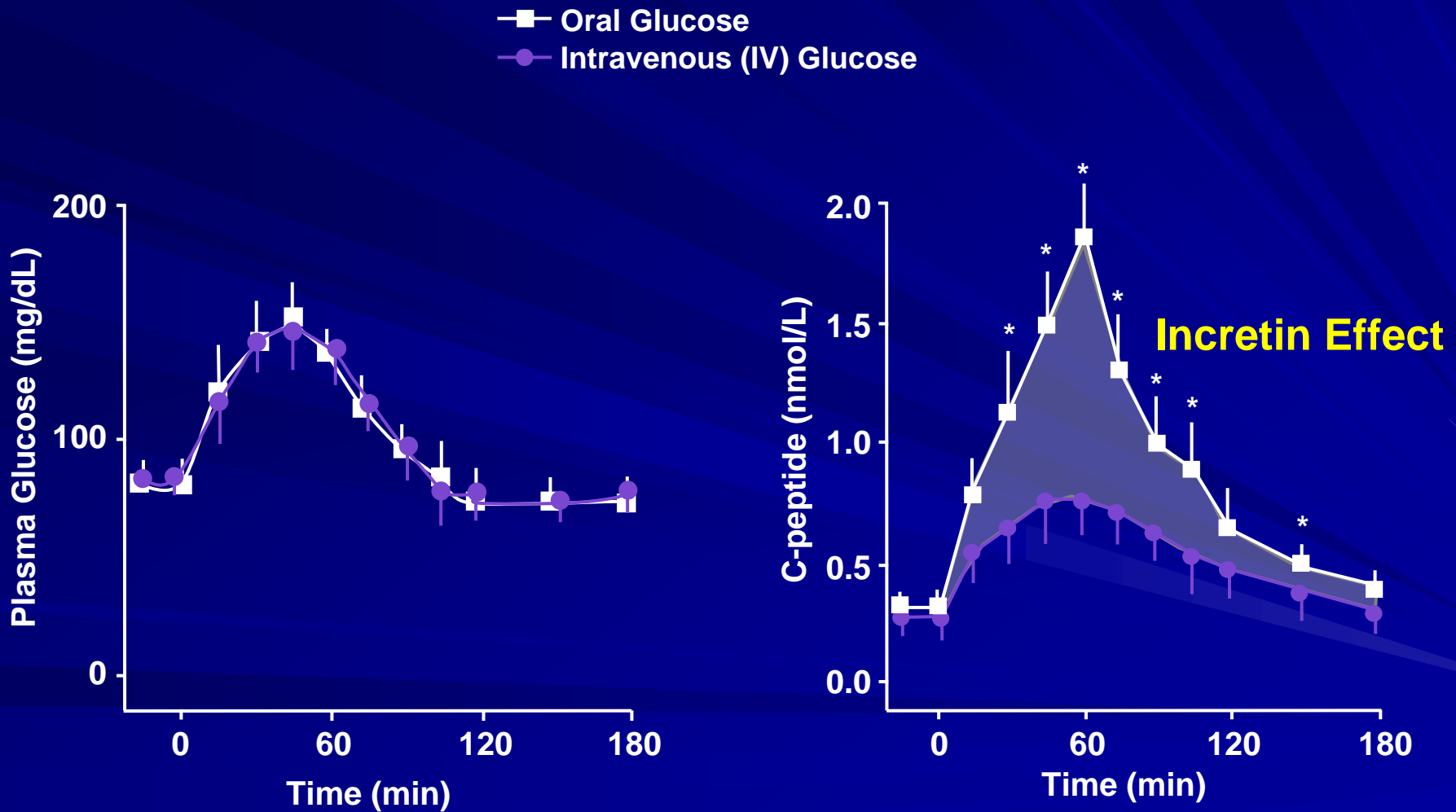
# Change in Mean Weight With Dual and Triple Therapy



# Options For Combination Therapy In Patients Who Cannot Use Metformin or a TZD: Incretins

- Use Exenatide (GLP-1 analog incretin mimetic)
- Options include
  - SU + Exenatide
  - Metformin + Exenatide
  - SU + Metformin + Exenatide
- Exenatide is not yet approved for use with TZD's

# The Incretin Effect in Healthy Subjects

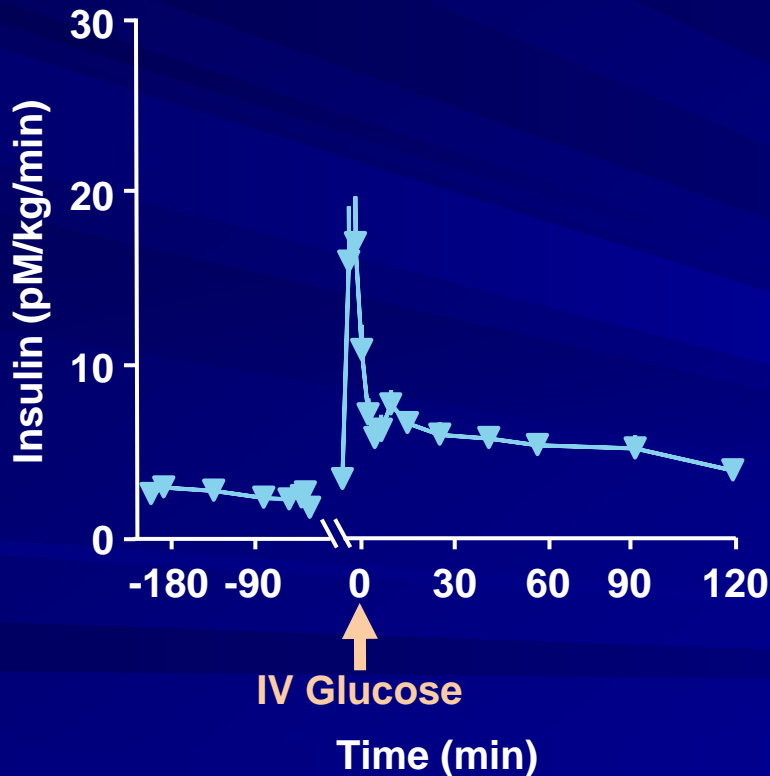


# Exenatide: The Synthetic Analog of GLP-1

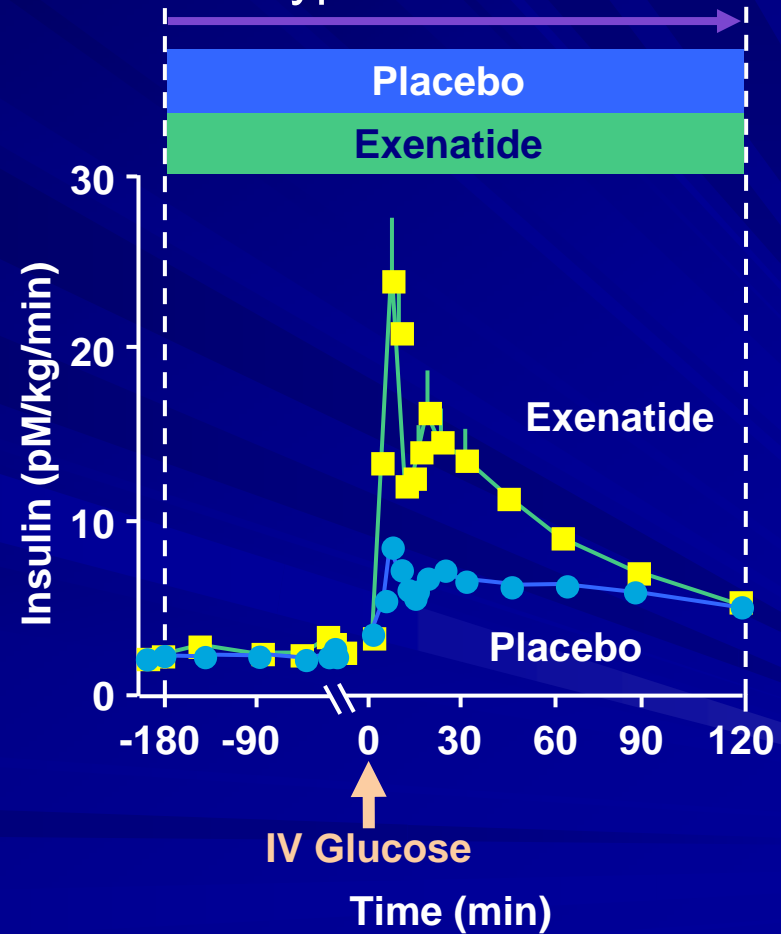
	<u>GLP-1</u>	<u>Exenatide</u>
↑ Glucose-dependent insulin secretion	✓	✓
↓ Glucagon secretion	✓	✓
↓ Hepatic glucose output		
↓ Gastric emptying	✓	✓
↓ Glucose absorption		
↓ Food intake (induces satiety)	✓	✓
↓ Postprandial glucose to near-normal	✓	✓
Weight loss	No	Yes
Resistant to DPP-IV degradation	No	Yes
Half-life after SQ injection	Short	Long

# Exenatide Restores the 1<sup>st</sup> Phase Insulin Response

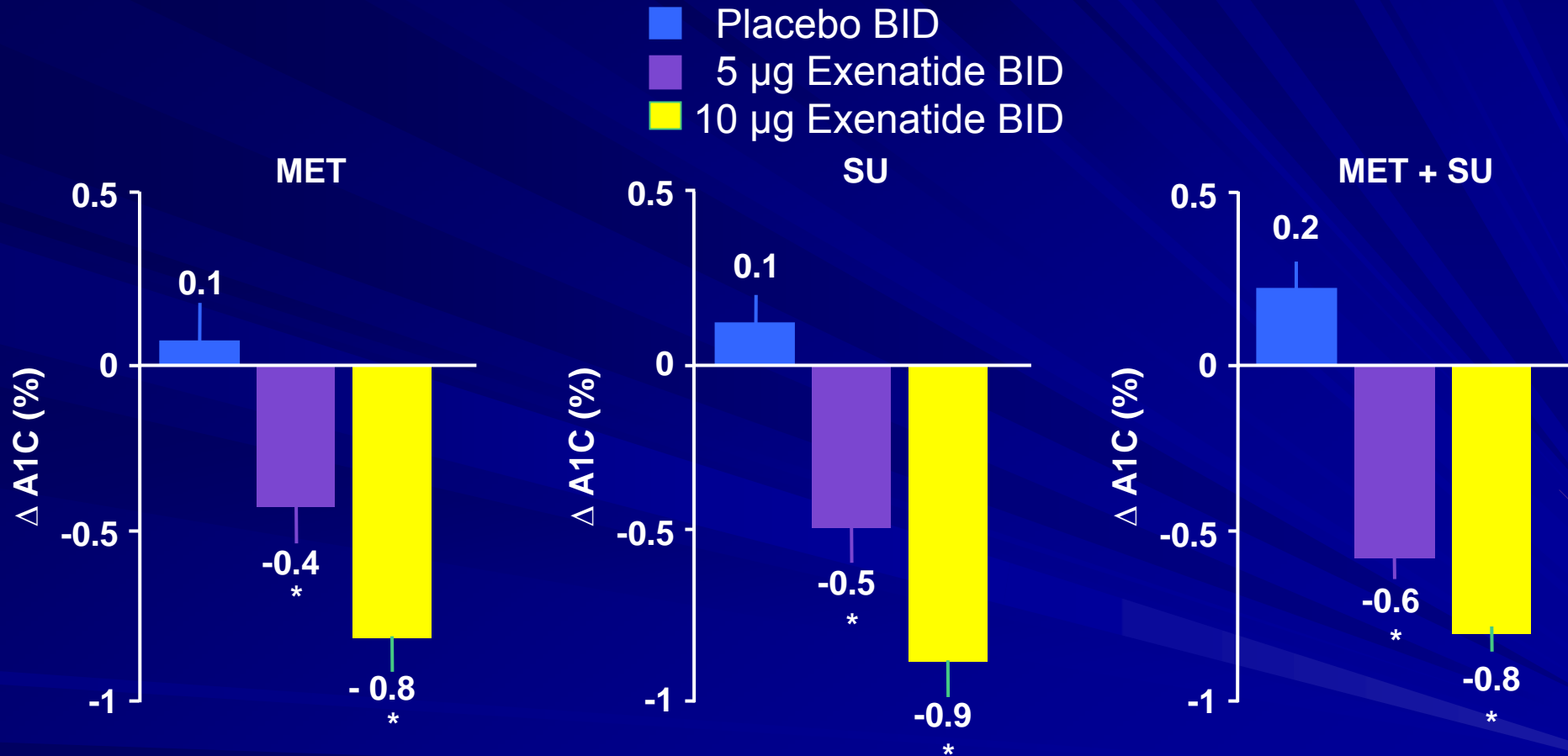
Healthy Controls



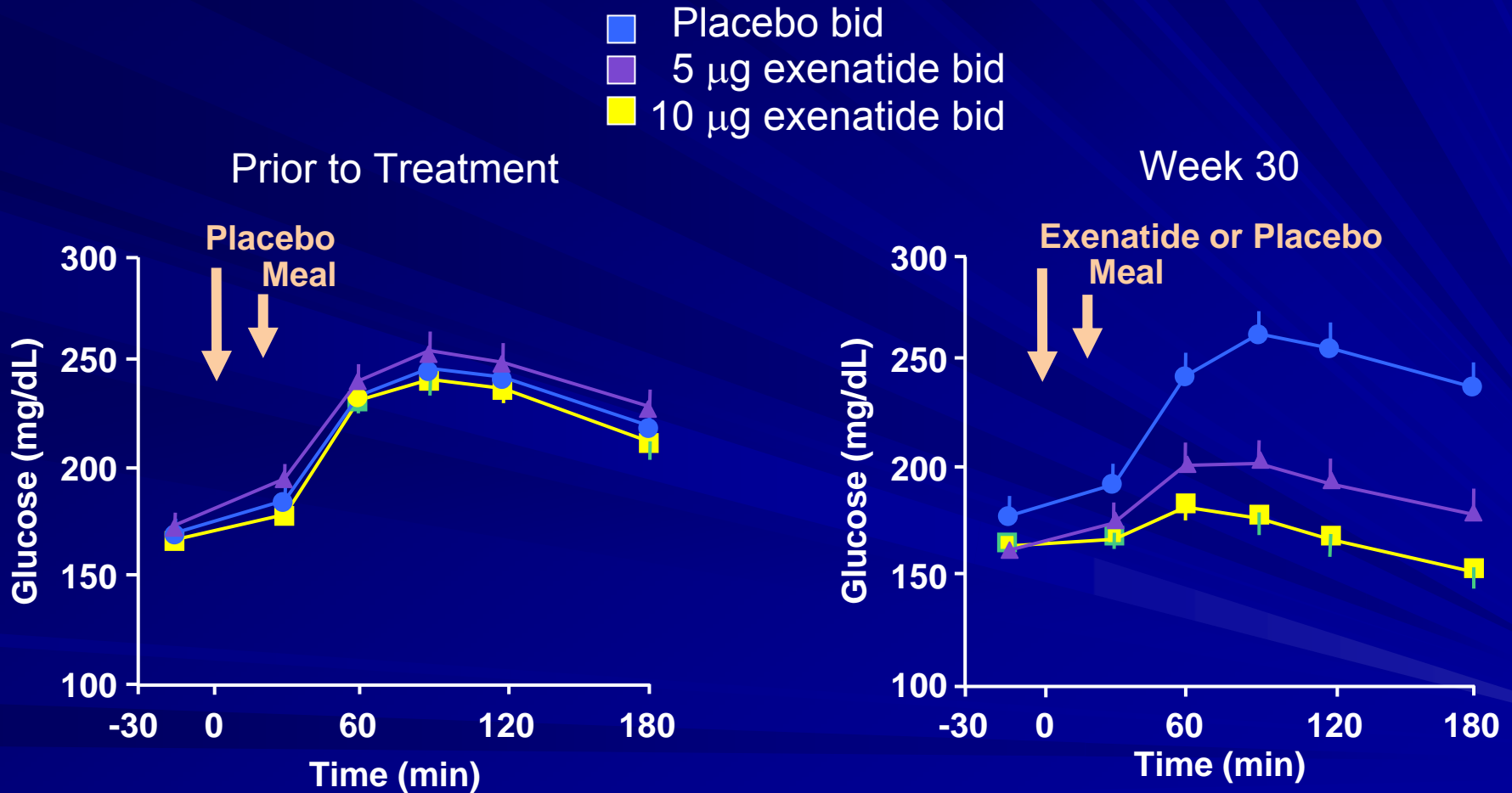
Type 2 Diabetes



# Exenatide Lowers A1c

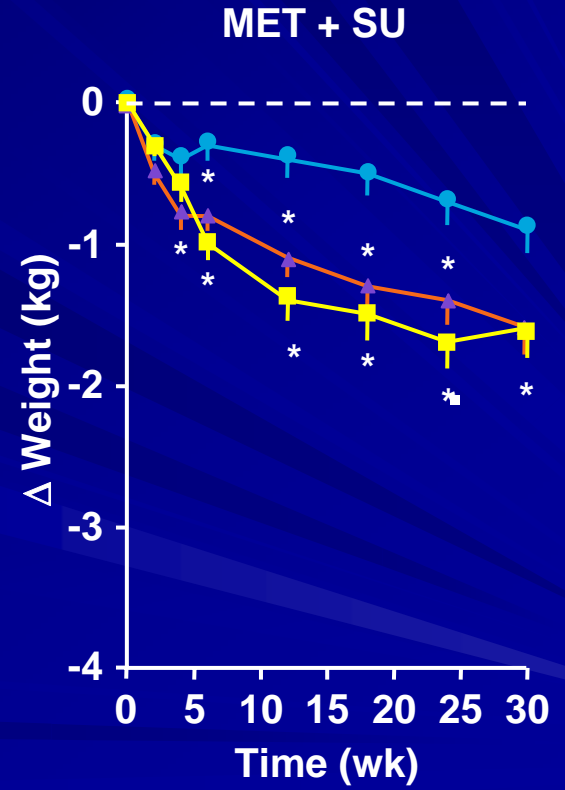
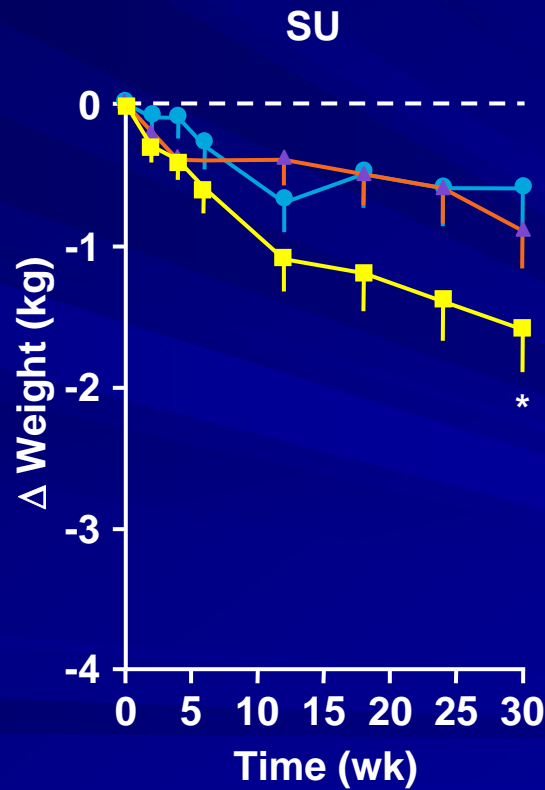
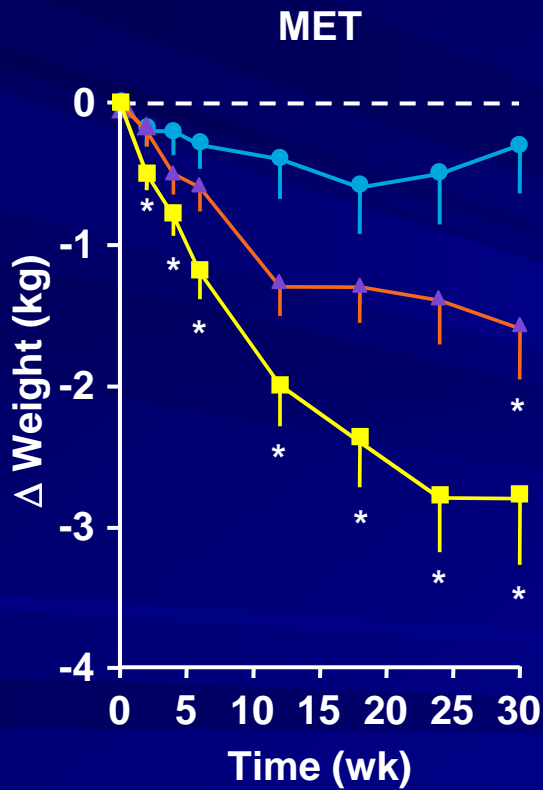


# Exenatide Lowers Postprandial Glucose



# Exenatide: Effect on Weight

- Placebo
- ▲ 5  $\mu$ g Exenatide BID
- 10  $\mu$ g Exenatide BID



# What Is The Next Step For The Patient Who Has Failed Dual Therapy?

- If Glycemic goals have not been met after 3 months on dual therapy:

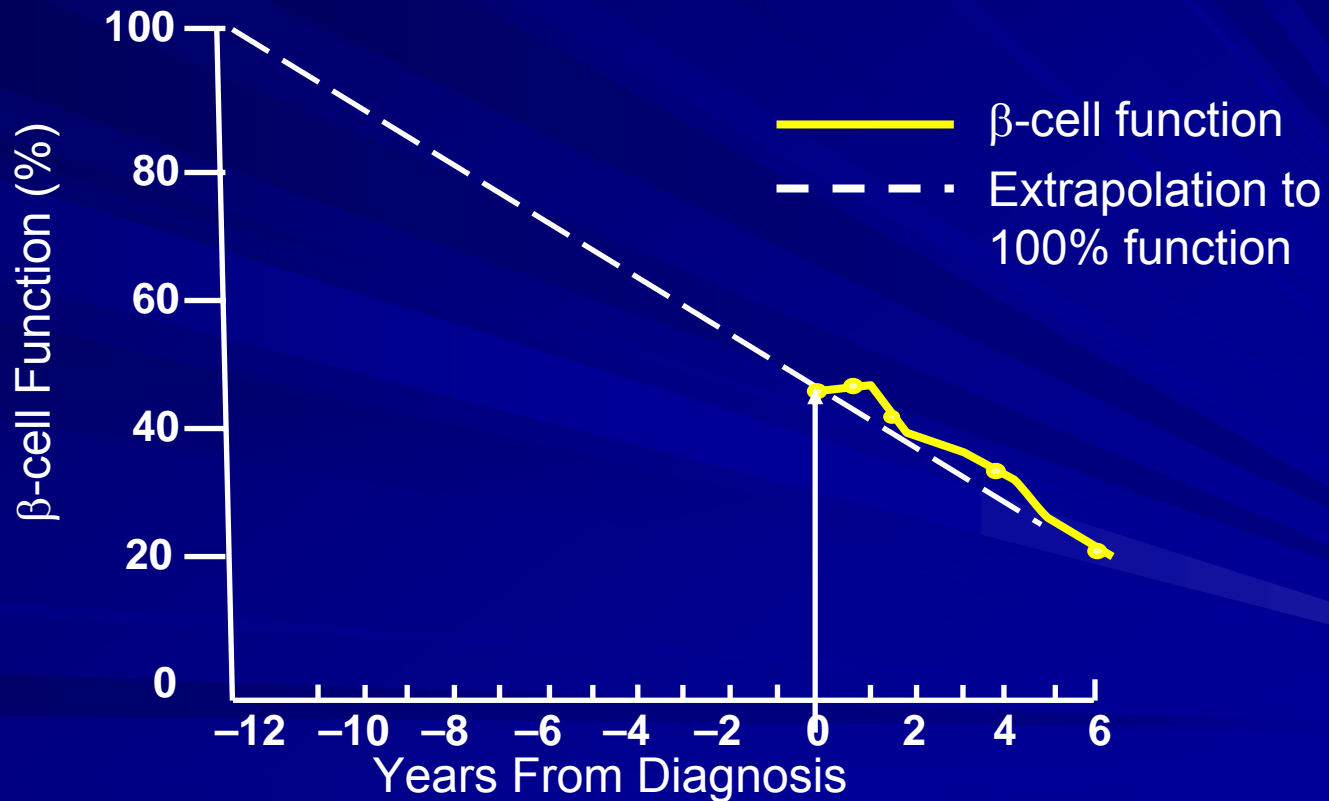
Add a 3 oral agent or Exenatide if A1c is  $< 8.5\%$

*OR*

Add insulin for any A1c above goal

## TYPE 2 DIABETES..... A PROGRESSIVE DISEASE

# Over Time, Most Patients Will Need Insulin To Control Glucose

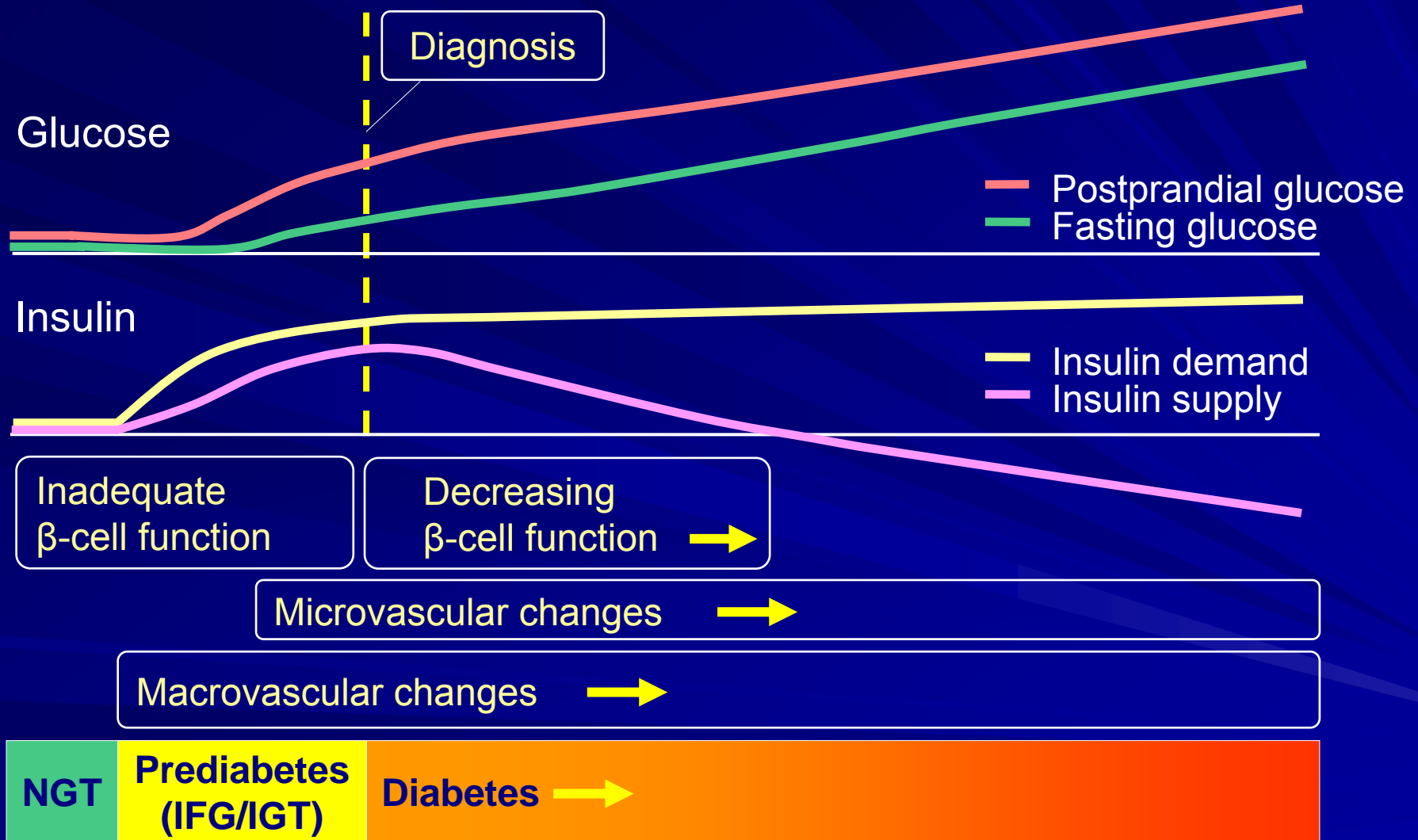


# ACE Position Statement\*

*Early use of insulin therapy is frequently needed for timely achievement of glycemic goals. In type 2 diabetes, targets may be achieved by basal insulin plus oral agents or basal-bolus insulin regimens; pre-mixed insulin preparations can be used in special situations*

\*Implementation Conference for ACE Outpatient Diabetes Mellitus Consensus Conference Recommendations, February 2, 2005

# Progression of T2DM Reflects an Increasing Imbalance Between Insulin Supply and Demand



# Why Is Basal-Bolus Insulin Therapy Recommended?

- Safety: There are now more than 30 studies demonstrating that glucose can be managed to goal with about 50% less hypoglycemic events using glargine rather than NPH

# The Basal - Bolus Concept

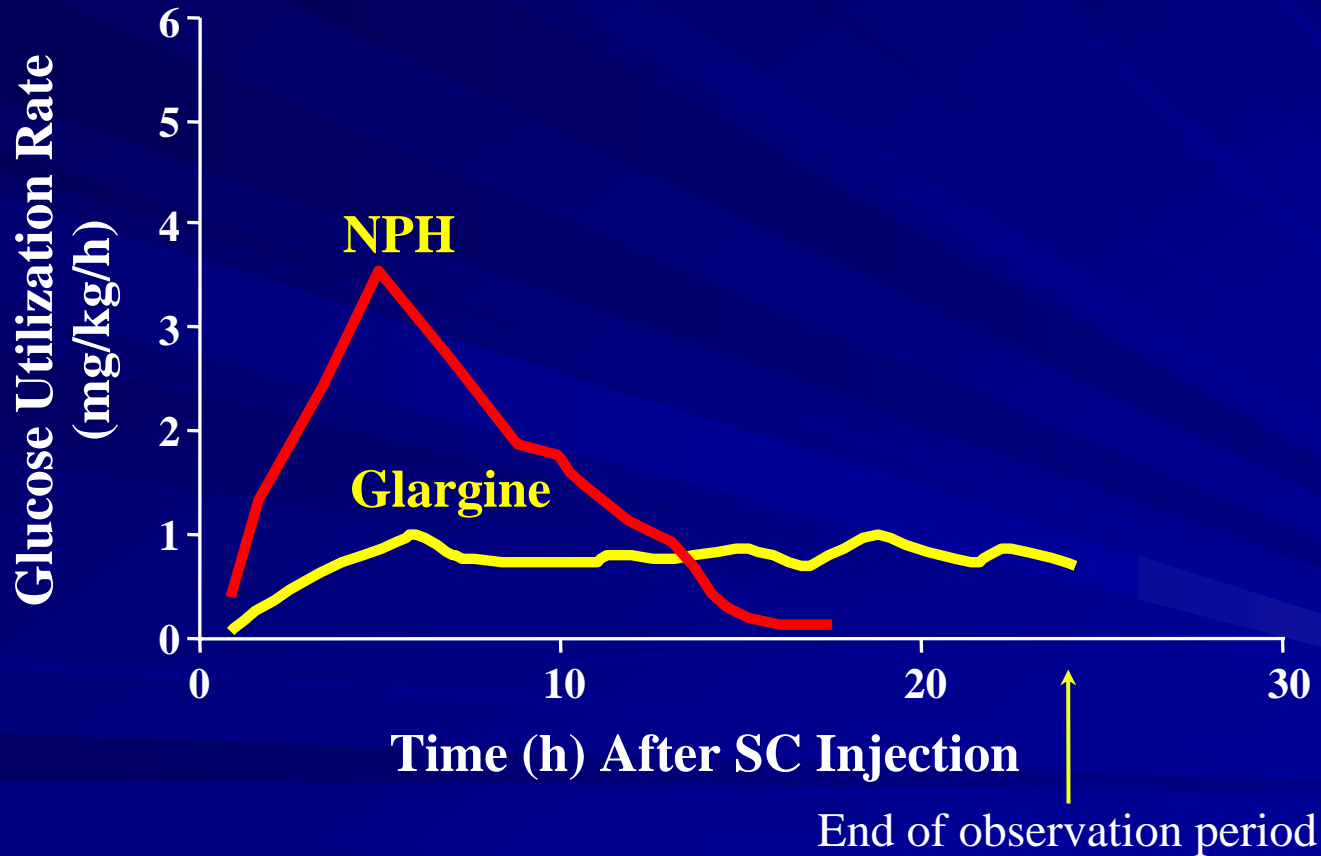
## ■ Basal Insulin

- Suppresses glucose production between meals and overnight fasting
- Produced at nearly constant levels
- Supplies about 50% of daily needs

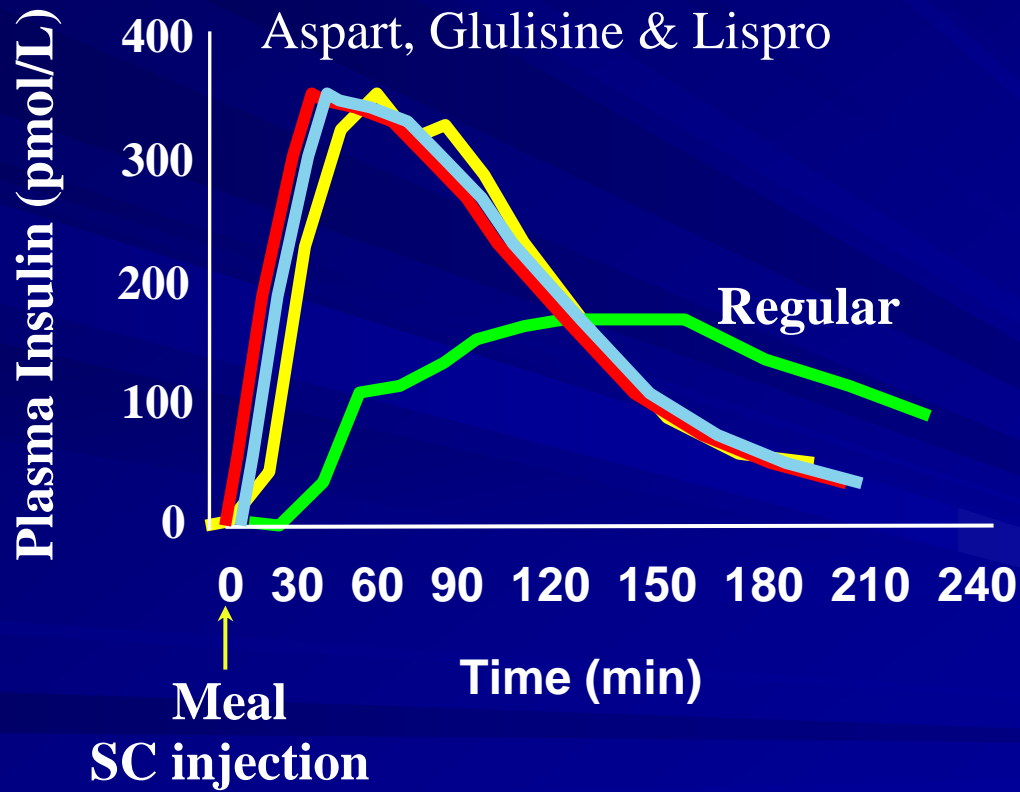
## ■ Bolus Insulin (Mealtime or Prandial)

- Limits hyperglycemia after meals
- Immediate rise and sharp peak at 1 hour
- 10% to 20% of total daily insulin requirement at each meal

# Glargine vs NPH Insulin: Action Profiles by Glucose Clamp



# Fast Analogues Aspart, Glulisine & Lispro: Plasma Insulin Profiles



# What Is The Role of Oral Therapy, ±Exenatide, When A Patient Starts Insulin?

- When starting insulin after oral therapy failure:
  - a. Continue ALL oral agent!
  - b. Stop exenatide (not approved with insulin)
  - c. After glycemic control is achieved, determine if the SU may be weaned

# Initiating Once-Daily Insulin Therapy

- Begin 10 units glargine q a.m. (or NPH, 10 units h.s.)
  - Alternative:  
0.1-0.25 units per Kg per day (weight-based dose)
  - Titrate every 2 days until fasting glucose is <110
- |            |           |    |                |
|------------|-----------|----|----------------|
| >180 mg/dL | + 6 units |    |                |
| 141-180    | + 4       |    | Add 2 units    |
| 121-140    | + 2       | OR | every 2 days   |
| 100-120    | + 1       |    | until FPG <110 |
| <80        | - 2       |    |                |

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- Bolus insulin may be started several ways
  - a. Arbitrarily give 5 units a.c.
  - b. Give bolus based on carbohydrate counting
    - i. 1 unit/15 grams carbohydrate
    - ii. “Rule 500”  
 $500/\text{TDD} = \text{Number grams of carbohydrate}$   
1 unit of insulin will cover
  - c. Give correction dose to cover hyperglycemia  
“Rule of 1800”  
 $1800/\text{TDD} = \text{How much 1 unit of insulin will}$   
decrease the blood glucose

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- A patient using 35 units basal insulin glargine reports
  - a.m.     2h pp brkfst     2 h pp lunch     2 h pp dinner
  - 95            140                    140                    230
- Options:
  - a. Arbitrarily add 5 units bolus insulin before dinner
  - b. Add bolus insulin based on “Carb Counting”
    - i. Give 1 unit per 15 grams carb    *or*
    - ii.  $500/35 = 1$  unit per 14 grams carbohydrate

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- A patient uses 35 units basal insulin glargine reports
  - a.m.      2h pp brkfst      2 h pp lunch      2 h pp dinner
  - 95                      140                      140                      240
- Titrate the bolus insulin
  - Monitor 2 h postprandial glucose
  - Increase the dinner time insulin by 2 units every 1-2 days until the 2 h postprandial glucose that is <140-180
- Correct hyperglycemia (Rule 1800):  $1800/35 = \sim 50$   
Add 1 extra unit bolus insulin for every 50 mg% glucose >150

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- A patient using 50 units basal insulin glargine reports

<u>a.m.</u>	<u>2h pp brkfst</u>	<u>2 h pp lunch</u>	<u>2 h pp dinner</u>
95	140	190	240

- Options:

a. Arbitrarily add 5 units bolus insulin before lunch and before dinner

b. “Carb Count” bolus before lunch and dinner

i. Give 1 unit per 15 grams carb *or*

ii.  $500/50 = 1$  unit per 10 grams carbohydrate

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- A patient using 50 units basal insulin glargine reports

<u>a.m.</u>	<u>2h pp brkfst</u>	<u>2 h pp lunch</u>	<u>2 h pp dinner</u>
95	140	190	240

- Titrate the bolus insulins
  - a. Monitor 2 h postprandial glucose
  - b. Independently increase each bolus dose of insulin by 2 units every 1-2 days to reach the 2 h postprandial goals of <140-180
- Correct hyperglycemia:  $1800/50 = \sim 35$   
Add 1 extra unit bolus insulin for every 35 mg% glucose >135

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- An 80 Kg patient using 30 units glargine reports  

<u>a.m.</u>	<u>2h pp brkfst</u>	<u>2 h pp lunch</u>	<u>2 h pp dinner</u>
95	190	240	240
- Options: Add bolus *or* begin Physiologic Insulin
- Physiologic Insulin: Give 0.5 units insulin per Kg  
50% = basal glargine  
50% = bolus fast analog ÷ t.i.d.
- Example:  $80 \text{ Kg} \times 0.5 \text{ units/Kg} = 40 \text{ U insulin}$   
Give 20 units glargine each morning  
Give ~7 units bolus before each meal
- Titrate and add correction doses. Recalculate the Rule 500 and Rule 1800 values as TDD increases

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- A patient is using 40 units of NPH insulin at bedtime. The morning glucose is 110 mg/dL, but hypoglycemia occurs frequently in the early a.m.
- How you convert once daily NPH to glargine?
  - Conversion is “unit-for-unit”
  - Give 40 units glargine each morning

# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- A patient is using NPH twice-daily: 40 units each a.m. and 25 units each p.m.

Fasting and evening glucose are controlled, but hypoglycemia occurs ~0200 and when the patient is active.

- How do you convert a patient from multi-dose intermediate to basal insulin?

→ Glargine dose is 80% of the *total* NPH dose, or  
 $80\% (40 + 25) = 52$

Give 52 units glargine each morning

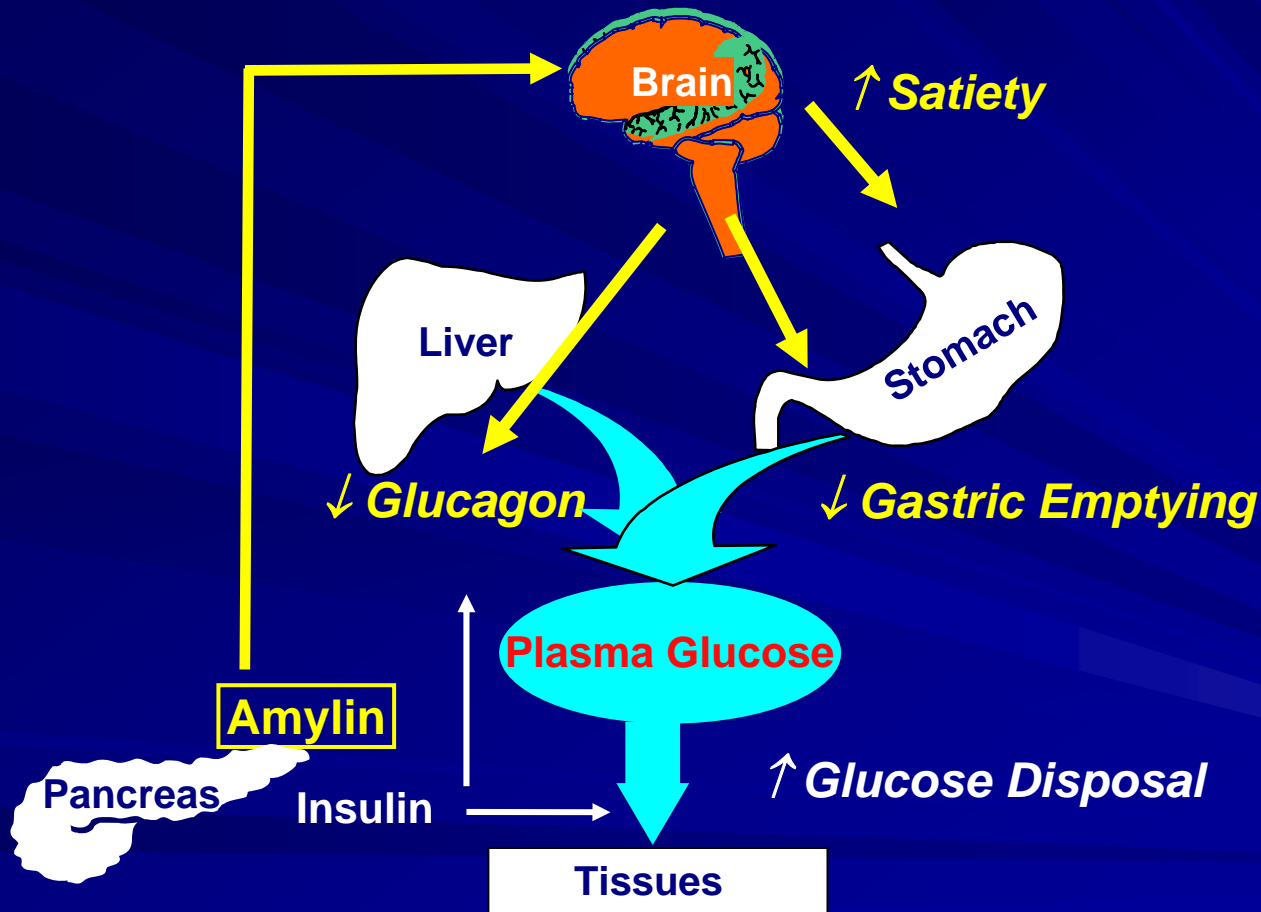
# Advancing Insulin Therapy

- A patient is using 70/30 premix twice-daily: 30 units q a.m. + 20 units q p.m. Glycemic excursions occur.
- How do you convert from twice-daily premix to basal:bolus insulin?
  - Glargine is 80% of the *total* intermediate insulin  
Total intermediate = 70% (30 + 20) = 35 units  
Glargine = 80% x 35 units = 28 units  
Give 28 units glargine each morning
  - Bolus is “unit-for-unit” of the fast-acting insulin  
Total fast-acting = 30% (30 + 20) = 15 units ÷ t.i.d.  
Give 5 units bolus insulin before each meal

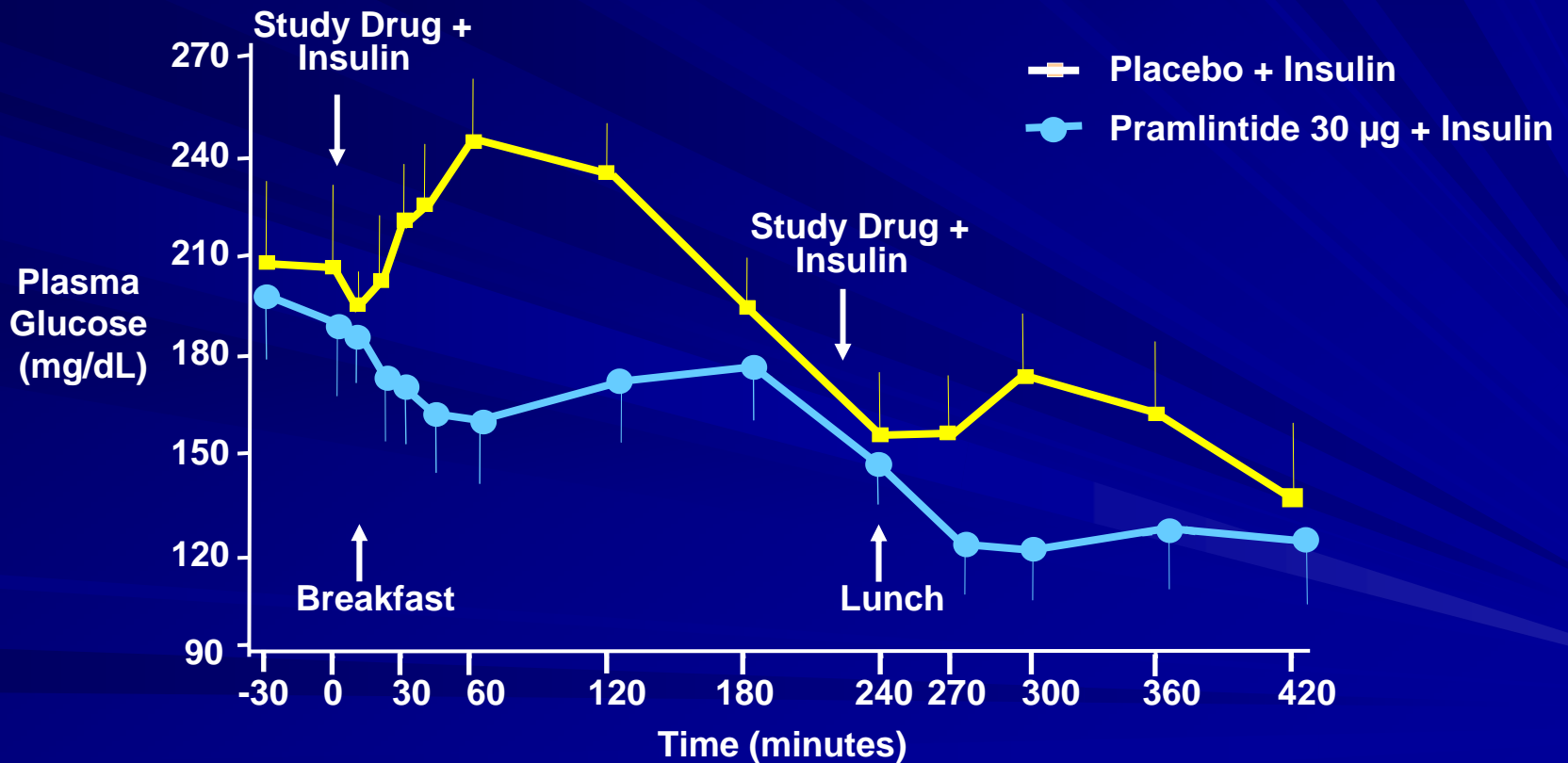
# Options For Insulin-Managed Patients Who Cannot Obtain Postprandial Control

- Repeat education!
  - Medical Nutrition Therapy and Carb Counting
  - Diabetes Education
  - Insulin Management
- Insulin pump therapy is appropriate for some patients..... *but not for all patients*
- Consider Pramlinitide, a synthetic amylin analog, for postprandial control

# Amylin Is A Neuroendocrine Hormone



# The Amylin Analog Pramlintide Plus Insulin: Effect on Postprandial Glucose Concentration

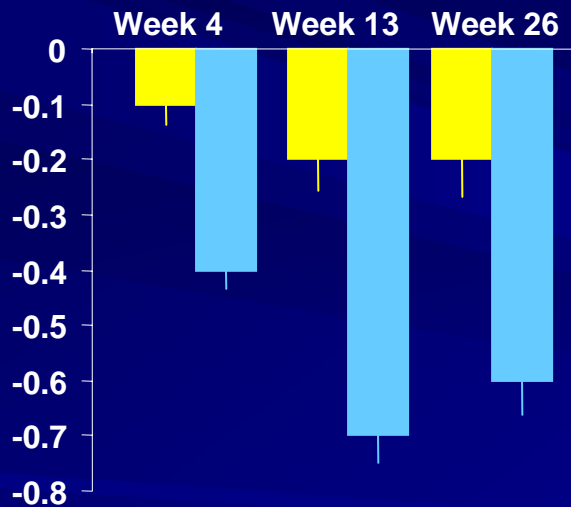


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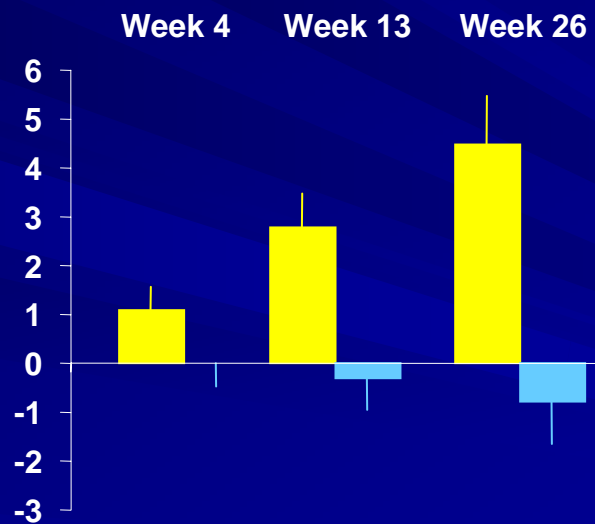
# Effects of Pramlintide Therapy in T2DM

### Change in % HbA<sub>1c</sub>

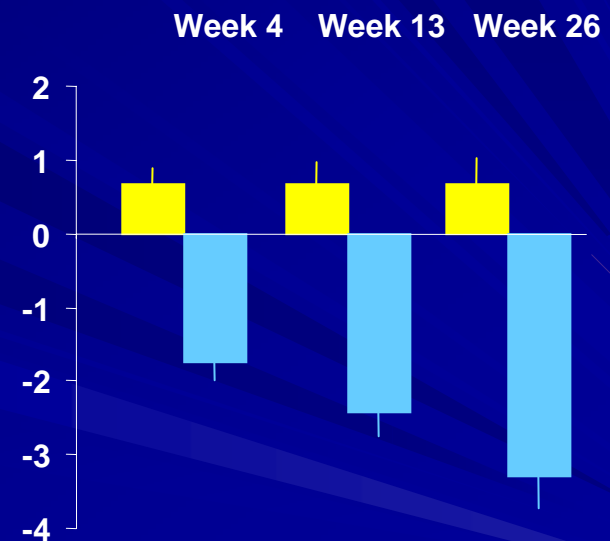
Baseline: 9.3 9.1



### Change in Insulin Use (%)



### Change in Weight (lb)



- Placebo + Insulin (N=284)
- Pramlintide + Insulin (N=292)

# Options For Insulin-Managed Patients Who Cannot Obtain Postprandial Control

- Continue basal glargine, same dose
- Decrease each bolus dose ~50%
- Begin Pramlintide
  - T1DM 15 mcg a.c. and titrate
  - T2DM 30 mcg a.c. ± titrate