

Breaking Down the Barriers to Insulin use

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Where do we start??????????



Dear Dr

➤ **Thank you** for seeing Mr Tough guy who is a 48 yrs old builder.

➤ Type 2 for 8 yrs ,on

➤ Metformin 850 mg bd

➤ ,Glipizide 10 mg bd ,

➤ Hba1c is :99mmol/mol(11.2%)

➤ Says he take his pills everyday.

➤ Does not monitor BS says he feels well.

➤ Has Hypertention

,Hyperlipedemia ,microalbuminuria, early retinopathy was found at last retinal screening.

➤ Smokes 20 cigs a day.

➤ Very reluctant to go on Insulin.

➤ Used to be rugby player. Stopped about 7 yrs ago.

➤ Says he can beat Diabetes!!!



How we see
Usain Bolt



How Usain Bolt
sees us



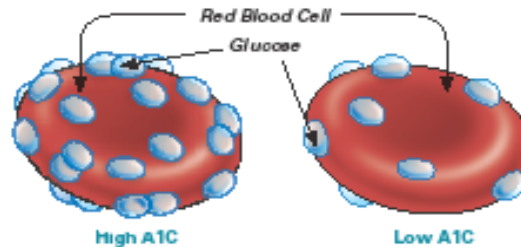
**DO YOU
FEEL
LUCKY....
PUNK?**

**WELL....
DO YA?**



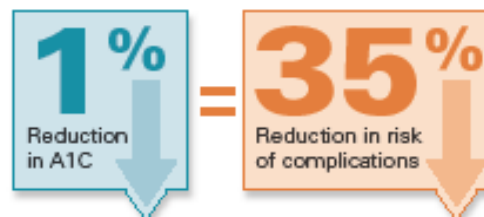
How to prevent complications?

What is A1C?



Work on your A1C

American Diabetes Association.
Implications of the United Kingdom prospective diabetes study. Diabetes Care 2009; 26(Suppl. 1): S28-S32



Being in control or intensive management* can prevent diabetes-related complications



Eyes

76% reduced risk of developing retinopathy with tight control



Kidneys

34% reduced risk of developing nephropathy with tight control



Nerves

69% reduced risk of developing neuropathy at 5 years with tight control

Individualise the target

DCCT % HbA_{1c}

6 - 6.5% →
6.5 - 7% →
7 - 7.5% →
7.5 - 9% →
9 - 10% →
10+% →

IFCC mmol/mol

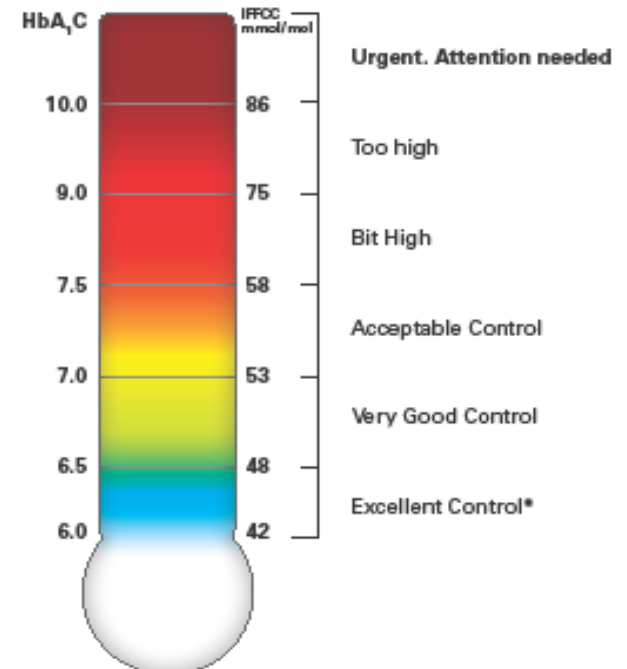
42 - 48 →
48 - 53 →
53 - 58 →
58 - 75 →
75 - 86 →
86 and above →

Excellent*
Very Good
Acceptable
Bit high
Too high
Urgent. Attention needed

To work out DCCT % HbA_{1c} in IFCC mmol/mol: -2 - 2 rule
i.e: HbA_{1c} of 7% = 7 - 2 = 5 - 2 = 3 Therefore is 53

Diabetic Control

HbA_{1c} Thermometer

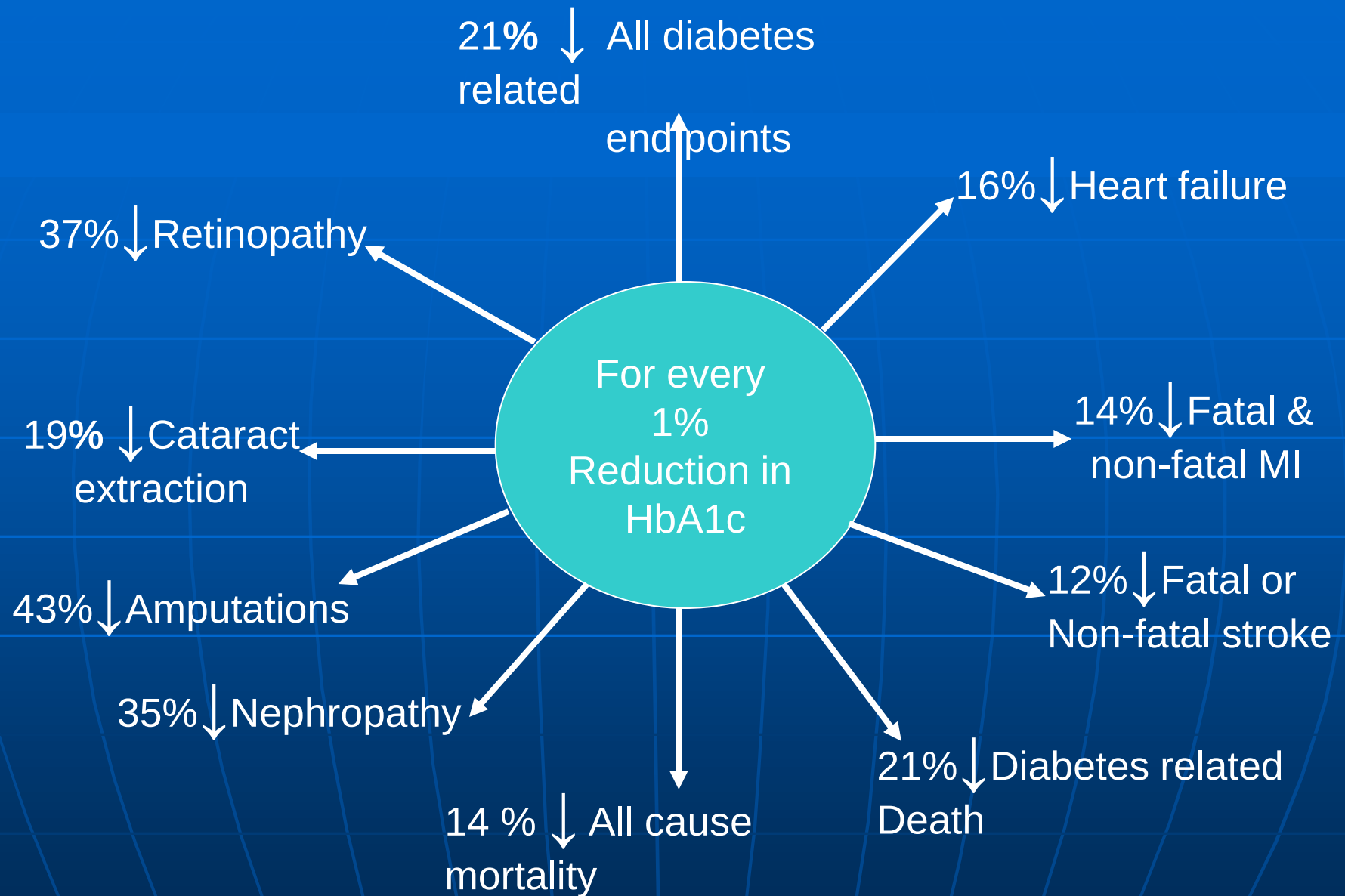


*The targets for everyone is less than 7% though targets should be individualised. **Caution should be taken with targets lower than 7 for those on insulin and sulphonylureas due to risk of hypoglycaemic events.** For pregnant diabetics target 6.0%

HbA_{1c} is the best test of overall diabetic control.

If your result is 8% or more, please contact your nurse or doctor.

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A great deal of research has established that the HbA1c level is a crucial test for use in the assessment of a diabetic patient's degree of glycemic control. The table shows the reduction in risk of diabetic complications per 1% decrease in HbA1c observed in major studies, emphasizing the robustness of this association across many differing patient groups.

Reduction in Risk of complications for every 1 % decrease in HbA1c

▪Diabetes Control and Complications Trial (DCCT)

Type 1 diabetes, (n = 1440)
Retinopathy, Nephropathy, Neuropathy
30%-35% decrease

▪Kumamoto Study

Type 2 diabetes, (n = 110)
Retinopathy, Nephropathy, Neuropathy
30%-38% decrease

United Kingdom Prospective Diabetes Study (UKPDS)

Type 2 diabetes, (n = 4209)
Retinopathy
28% decrease

Wisconsin Epidemiologic Study of Diabetic Retinopathy (WESDR)

Type 2 diabetes
Retinopathy, Nephropathy, Neuropathy, cardiovascular disease
20%-50% decrease

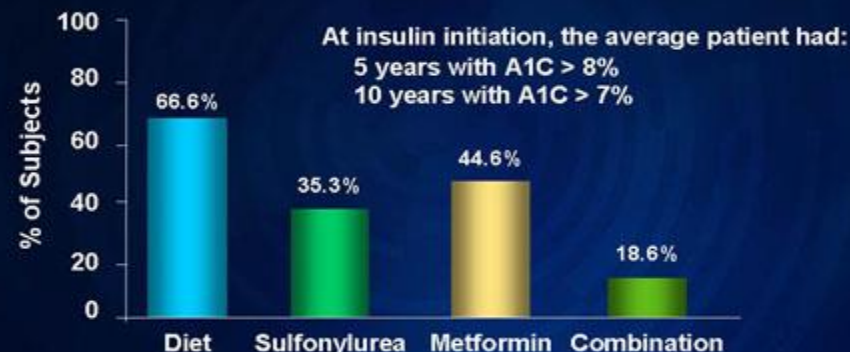
Progressive nature of Diabetes

- **Before insulin initiation, patients may have spent an average of about 5 years with an A1C >8% and nearly 10 years >7%**
- **At diagnosis, up to 50% of a patient's β -cell function may have been lost, and may continue to decline by about 4% annually**
- **Remind patients that diabetes is a progressive disease and that their treatment plans may be adjusted over time. An overall treatment plan to lower A1C consists of diet, exercise, and diabetes medication, which may include insulin.**
- **50% of Type 2 needs to go on Insulin within 7 yrs (UKPDS)**
- **Let patients know fear of insulin is not uncommon. Help them understand the facts about insulin therapy**

Clinical Inertia:

"Failure to advance therapy when required"

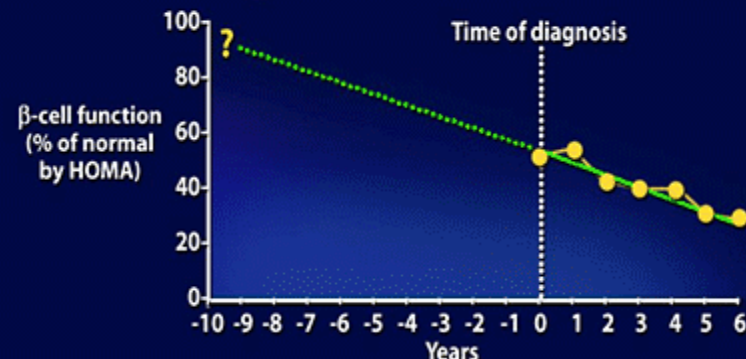
Percentage of subjects advancing when A1C > 8%



Brown JB et al. *Diabetes Care*. 2004;27:1535-1540.

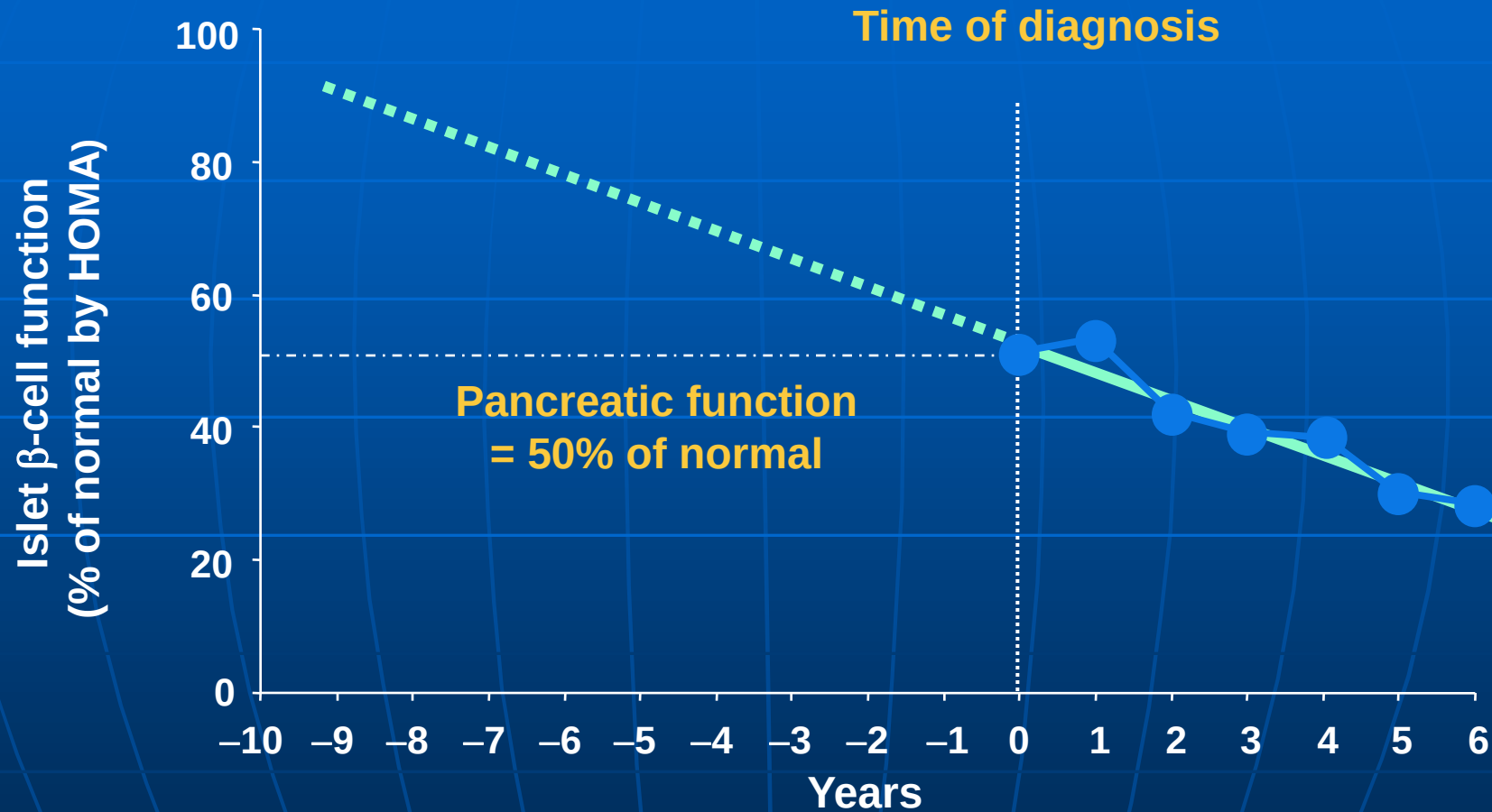


Decline of β -Cell Function in UKPDS Illustrates Progressive Nature of Diabetes



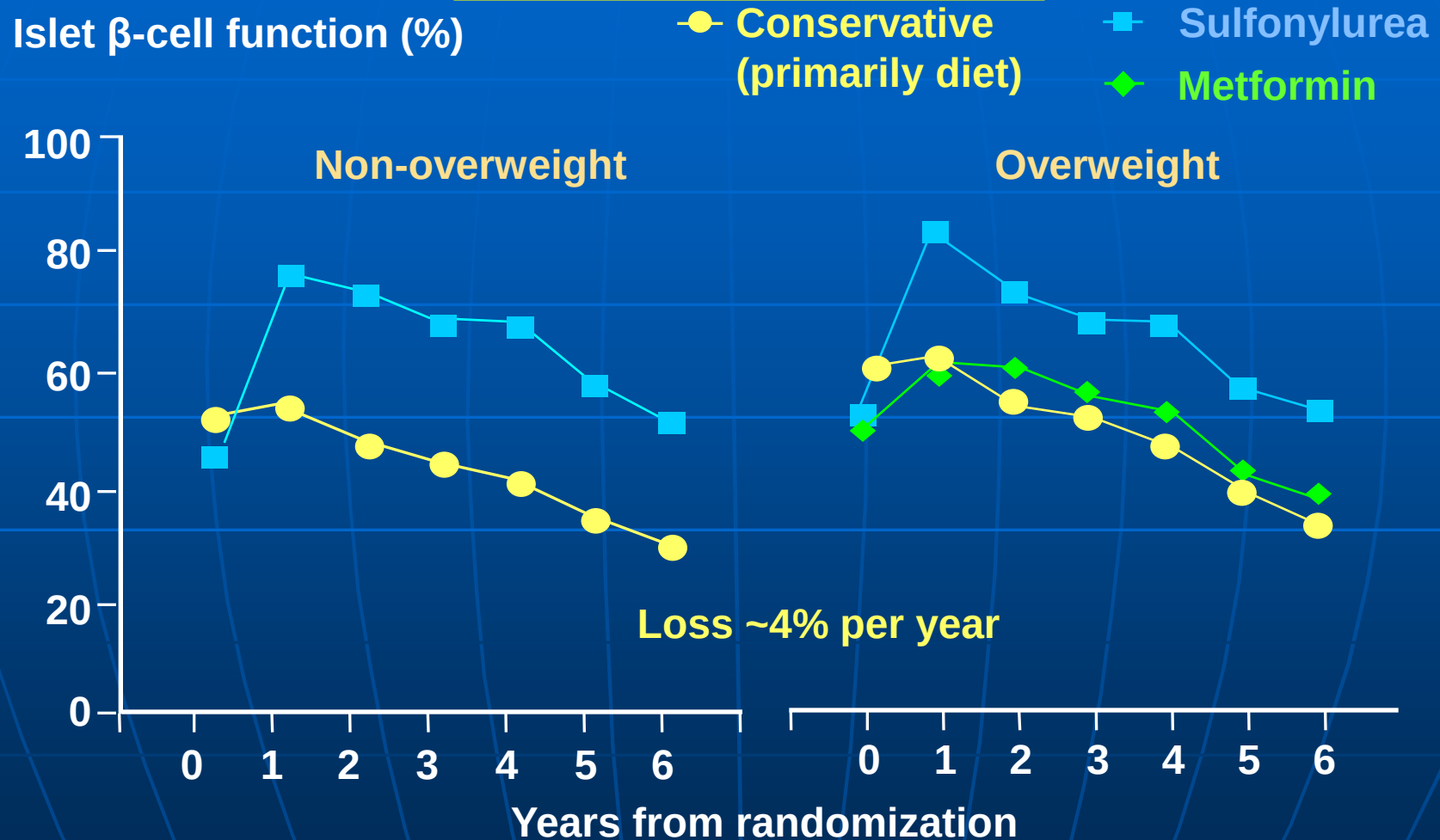
Adapted from Holman RR. *Diab Res Clin Pract*. 1998;40(suppl):S21-S25.

UKPDS: Islet β -cell function and the progressive nature of diabetes



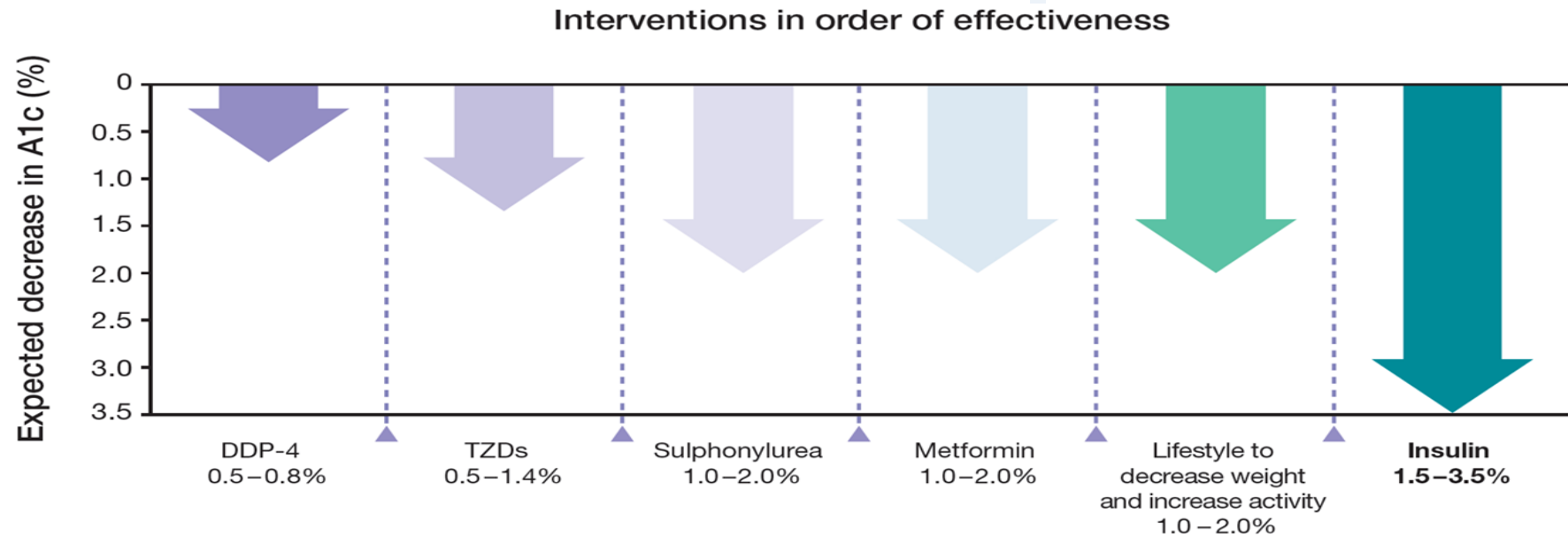
HOMA = homeostasis model assessment

Islet β -cell function (HOMA %B) in the UKPDS



Insulin-the most effective intervention³

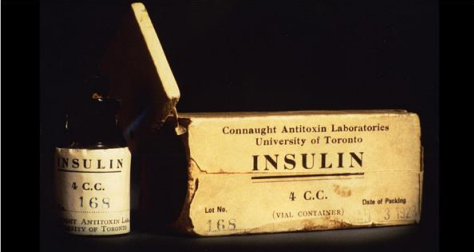
A1c lowering potential of individual therapeutic options²



Adapted from Nathan *et al.*, 2009. DDP-4 = Dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitor. TZDs = Thiazolidinedione.

Advantages of insulin

- It lowers mean blood glucose in a predictable dose-dependent manner
- Can be tailored to individual needs on a unit-to-unit basis
- It has the longest experience than any other drug (90 years)
- No contraindications to its use



Miracle of Insulin !!!!!!!!!!!

Glory enough for all!!!!!!!!!!



Every few months some miracle drug or other is rolled out with bells and confetti, but only once or twice in a generation does the real thing come along!!!!

These are the blockbuster medications that can virtually raise the dead...., Insulin was one of them.... Insulin actually put flesh on living skeletons. With insulin, dying children laughed and played again, as parents wept and doctors spoke of biblical resurrections..... mothers all over the globe were writing him heart-wrenching letters: "My dear Dr. Banting: I am very anxious to know more of your discovery," wrote one, going on to describe her daughter's case: "She is pitifully depleted and reduced....."



Elizabeth Hughes, daughter Charles Evans Hughes ,US Sec of states , Age 11 diag T1 just 3 yrs before Insulin discovered. Dr Fred Allen put her on 400 cal per day starvation diet for 3 yrs .Wt loss 75 lbs to 45 lbs .Until Insulin became available

Died with pneumonia in 1981 age 73 yrs .She had 47000 injections over 58 yrs .Successful career in law .

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The DAWN(*Diabetes, Attitudes, Wishes and Needs*)

- The DAWN study 2001 is to date the largest global psychosocial diabetes study of its kind, addressing the perceptions and attitudes of more than 5,000 people with diabetes and 3,000 healthcare diabetes professionals in a total of thirteen countries.
- The 13 countries involved were: Australia, Denmark, France, Germany, India, Japan, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Spain, UK and USA.
- **The study involved:**
- 5,426 adults with diabetes
- 2,194 primary care physicians
- 556 specialists (endocrinologists, diabetologists)
- 1,122 nurses (specialist and general)
- The people with diabetes interviewed were self-classified as 50% Type 1 and 50% Type 2.
- **RESULTS:**
- **More than half of people with Type 2 diabetes are worried about starting insulin**
- 50% report insulin means they “failed to manage their disease”
- Only 20% believe insulin would “help them better manage their DM”
- 1/3 of Physicians postpone until “absolutely essential”
- **Reference**
- Geelhoed-Duijvestijn, P. et al "Physician Resistance to Prescribing Insulin: An International Study." *Diabetologia*, 2003.
- Peyrot, M. et al "An International Study of Psychological Resistance to Insulin Use among Persons with Diabetes." *Diabetologia*, 2003.

Global Attitudes of Patients and Physicians in Insulin Therapy (GAPP) 2010

Surveyed >2700 pts and MDs in 8 countries

- **1 in 3 fail to take insulin as prescribed**
 - Change in normal routine, busy schedule,
 - Forgetfulness and fear of hypoglycemia
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- | | PTs | Drs |
|---|----------|-----|
| ■ Struggle to control BG | 40% | 88% |
| ■ Concern re: future hypoglycemia | 67% | 74% |
| ■ Hard to comply with regimen | over 50% | |
| ■ Find it hard to fit insulin into schedule | | 33% |
| ■ Desired less frequent doses /injections | | 90% |

Most patients chose one reason, with substantial breadth of reasons (each reason reported by fewer than 20% of respondents). Over half of the reported reasons reflect a lack of flexibility in the patient's insulin regimen, which was a statistically significant predictor of frequency of insulin omission/non-adherence. Frequency of hypoglycaemia was a statistically significant predictor of frequency of insulin omission/non-adherence. Pain was not frequently cited as a reason and was not a statistically significant predictor of frequency of insulin omission/non-adherence.

Table 4 Patient-reported reasons for insulin omission/non-adherence (n=530 who reported ≥ 1 day per month of insulin omission/non-adherence).

Reason for insulin omission/non-adherence	Response [†]
Too busy	19.1%
Traveling	17.0%
Skipped meal	15.8%
Stress or emotional problems	11.5%
Embarrassing to inject in public	10.6%
Challenging to take it at the same time everyday	10.4%
Forgot	7.4%
Too many injections	5.8%
Avoid weight gain	4.3%
Regimen is too complicated	4.0%
Injections are painful	2.8%
Asleep	1.7%
Hypoglycemia	0.4%

[†]Respondents were asked to select top three reasons (order of reasons randomized, 'Forgot' responses volunteered as 'Other'); data are % of respondents choosing a reason as one of the three.

The higher the Hba1c is when Insulin is started the more weight is gained which makes sense .The more the the Glycosuria is the more calories they will keep when Insulin is started .

Hba1c when Insulin started	Weight Gain
12% (108 mmol/mol)	5-10 kg
10% (86 mmol/mol)	3-6 kg
7.5% (58 mmol/mol)	0.5-1kg

Weight Gain....Why?

- ☐ Decreased glycosuria
- ☐ Due to improved BG control
- ☐ Aggressive or over-tx of hypoglycemia
- ☐ Defensive eating to prevent hypoglycemia

Many factors contribute to fears of insulin!!

Cost? the pen looks nice and expensive! !can I afford that??

Disease getting worst!! Some people have morphine injections when they are about to die!

Hypoglycaemia!!
Seen friend or neighbour call ambulance!!
Fitting!! Was scary!!

Pain!!does it go into a vein??Seen it on TV Huge needle and drug addicts have to find a vein!!Too complicated!!



Its forever!!
Addiction??
Once you on it you stay on it ??
Cultural beliefs
:is it from pigs/Cow

Lifestyle change!!
Travel/work/beer??
Will I still be able to go out and have sweets puddings etc??

Insulin causes complications!!Aunt Nelly was well into her 80s until she went on Insulin she was dead after 3 months on Insulin

Personal failure!!I am a loser !!why I cant beat this ???!Why have I failed???

Barriers to insulin therapy often come from common fears and misperceptions. Some ways to help address these issues are outlined below.

■ **Disease getting worse???**

- *Inform patients that blood glucose may rise over time*
- *Reassure patients that it may not be entirely their fault. The increasing inability of the pancreas to produce enough insulin may be the main reason for disease progression*

■ **Hypoglycemia????**

- *Some people are concerned about side effects, such as hypoglycemia.*
- *Acknowledge that hypoglycemia is the most common side effect of insulin*
- *Advise patients taking insulin to regularly check their blood glucose*
- *Teach patients how to recognize and treat hypoglycemia, should an episode occur*
- *Inform patients of the common things that can affect their blood glucose levels, such as medications, changes in food intake, illness, physical activity and stress*

■ **It's forever????**

- *Many patients have concerns about chronic use of insulin.*
- *Assure patients that insulin is not physically addictive or habit-forming*
- *Inform patients that you may adjust their insulin doses upwards or downwards over the course of their treatment to assure they are on the proper dose*

■ **Why not try it for a month???**

Continued!!

- **Failure??**

- *Reframe the perception of failure and self-blame.*
- *Educate patients that insulin helps to replace what the body isn't adequately making to lower blood glucose*
- *Remind your patients that insulin may be an appropriate choice for them since it is effective at lowering A1C when added to an overall treatment plan*
- *Educate patients about what they can do by making healthy food choices and increasing their physical activity .Address problem of SNACKS or eating in between meals ??????*

- **Lifestyle change**

- *Many patients believe that taking insulin will greatly disrupt their lives.*
- *Inform patients that insulin may help control blood glucose and lower A1C₁*
- *Present insulin as another effective option to add to their daily diabetes management routine*
- *Patients may find that insulin can become a normal part of their routine*

- **Pain**

- *If fear of pain is deterring your patient from taking insulin, consider the following:*
- *Insulin is injected in the fatty layer just under the skin where there are fewer nerve endings and injections generally cause little discomfort*
- *Tell patients that many people on insulin are surprised by how soon they get used to the injections*
- **Get Partner or Friend ,parent or Children to try needle first!**
- **Provide information about insulin benefits, Would sleep better, have more energy, not feel constantly tired, mood, thirsty, thrush in women!!!, improve erectile dysfunction in men!!!!**

■ Safer Journey – Recent Convert

■ A- ---- here I am fifty six years of age of Maori heritage stemming from the tail of the fish fifty kilometres north of Kaitaia in the cosy settlement of Te Kao.

■ How do I begin? I've never been one for truly expressing written thanks.

■ Moemiti (praying) in my faith for whanau, others and myself, however, on this occasion to Rab Burtun Clinical Diabetes Specialist Nurse is first to none. Rab has guided me through a journey I thought was insurmountable.

■ **Being a double figured blood sugar level diabetic(in denial) for quite some time with unsafe readings and reminded by whanau**, our family doctor especially that making the right decision to speak to Rab would save my life. All the diabetes literature wasn't enough for me until the cold hard facts are brought to light by Rab Burtun. My husband and children are a life source that I want to nurture for as long as is possible. **Yes, I'm now on insulin** with careful monitoring and (as my mum is still with us to reassure me of the care needed) I am not afraid, in fact **I feel so much more uplifted with a clearer sense of well being.**

■ **My sleeping patterns have improved, no more drowsiness. Planning for the day is decisive having medicated accordingly. Feeling like a sharper pencil yet not superwoman as I used to think I was before being diagnosed diabetic, I feel 2nd to none in our household.** Maintaining a healthy diet of fruit a vegetables from my husbands garden plays a major part in my constitution. If it isn't within walking distance I go the supermarket to acquire goodies for the family or the weekly market at the Avondale Market Day. **My husband Trevor is my backbone of support, which created a little bit of concern for him with Rab in the picture. Trevor thinks I'm having an affair with Rab.** Alls well, had Rab not been able to talk me into my new space, Trevor or our daughters' and Rab would have had a challenge to help me.

■ **Rab Burtuns' approach is open and honest demonstrating the ins and outs of self administering diabetic medication and the explanation of bodily organs subjected to ill treatment if not taken care of as I thought I was, prior to my diagnosis, compared to now.** Having written all this with all good things in mind, my life expectancy is reassured. Still a workingwoman of deep faith and self mending. **had it not been for Rab Burtun his wife and children, the support needed to nurture a Kauri tree of which I liken Rab too; I would wonder how long I could weather the future.**

■ Thank you Rab.

■ Piki te Ora/ Good Health

■ Arohanui

■ Ana
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Feedback!!!

- Hello. I am emailing you from work to let you know that I did the tests on the day after the appointment.
- **Thank you for kicking my ass, and I have been much better at testing and taking my shot.** I will send you an excel sheet of my levels over the weekend from my home email address. Also, thank you for the new needles. They are much nicer to use
- I have also got my leave approved for the appointments that were made
- Thanks again
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- I am a type 2 Diabetic and I am currently an out patient at your clinic in Henderson, I have seen your Doctor (specialist) there and found her to be both interested in me and genuinely caring, she referred me to N..... on my first visit to introduce me to some new meds for my condition, she was also very helpful and kind. **Since then I have seen or spoken to Rab Burtun numerous times, through Rab I have learned more about my condition and treatment in 2 week than I have in a decade prior. This is a result of his genuine interest in the area but more importantly I believe he cares about us (his clients) as well.**
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- What a fantastic facility you have all created for us, with people such as Rab on your staff it must be in my opinion world class and again thank you all for your help
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Normal Insulin Profiles



the body needs a constant level of sugar in the blood

the blood sugar rises

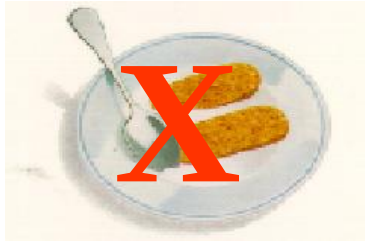
and a background level of insulin

and extra insulin is needed

Normal Insulin Profiles



ABNormal Insulin Profiles



Morning
tea



Lunch



Afternoon tea



Dinner



Supper

Blood sugar

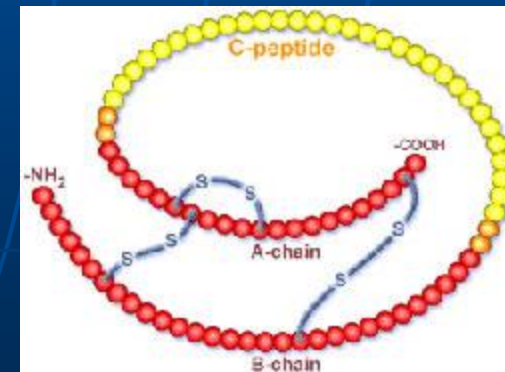
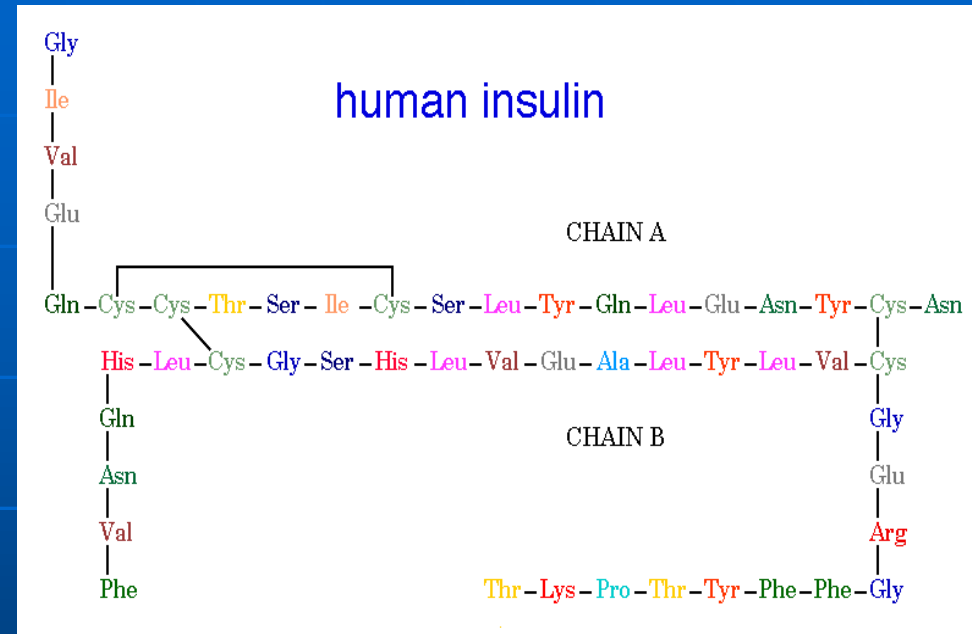


Mealtime insulin

Background insulin

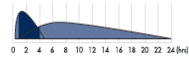
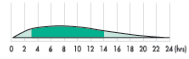
Types of Insulin

- Short acting
- Intermediate acting
- Long acting
- Biphasic
- Analogue Mixtures
- Short Acting Analogues
- Long acting Analogues



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Levemir® Long-acting insulin detemir (rys)		

Insulin Delivery Devices



NovoPen® 3 Demi

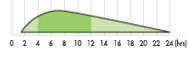
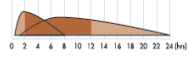
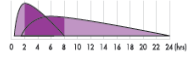
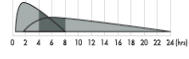


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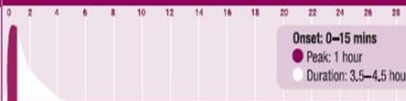
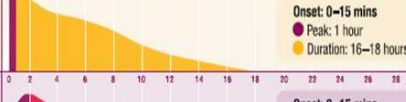
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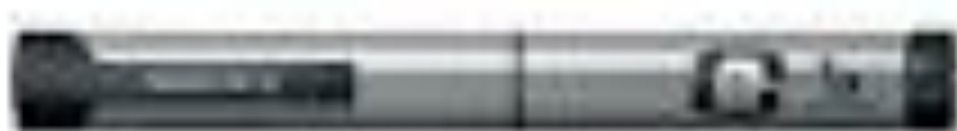
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Humalog®	insulin lispro Rbe RAPID-ACTING	10mL vials and 3mL cartridges	
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Humulin® NPH	isophane (NPH) INTERMEDIATE ACTING	10mL vials and 3mL cartridges	
Humalog® Mix25®	25% insulin lispro, 75% insulin lispro protamine suspension Rbe PREMIXED INSULIN LISPRO	3mL cartridges	
Humalog® Mix50®	50% insulin lispro, 50% insulin lispro protamine suspension Rbe PREMIXED INSULIN LISPRO	3mL cartridges	
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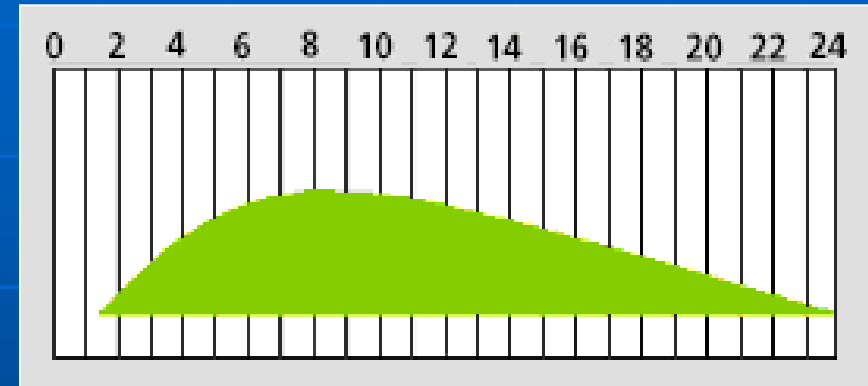
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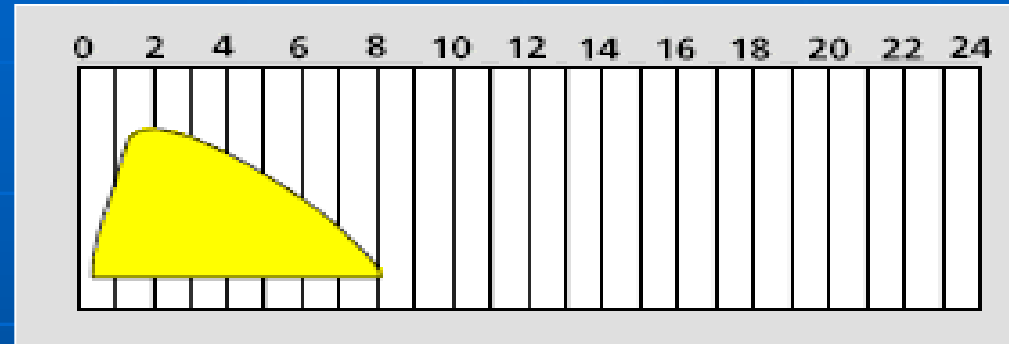
Time Action Profiles

- Insulin/glucose levels in the blood
- Stylized format showing
 - Onset
 - Peak
 - Duration
- Intended as a guide ONLY



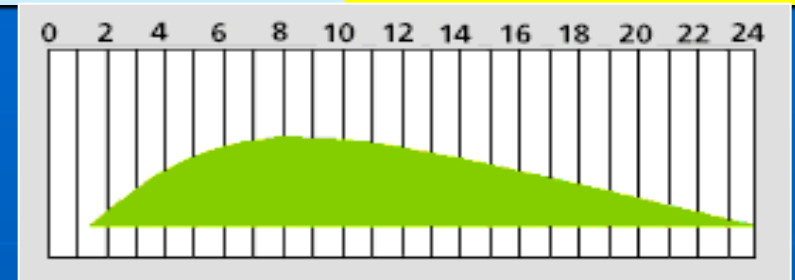
Short Acting Insulin Actrapid or Humilin R

- Soluble
- Clear
- Onset 30 minutes
- Peak 1 - 3 hours
- Duration up to 8 hours



Prandial Insulin

Intermediate Acting Insulin Protaphane or **Humulin NPH**

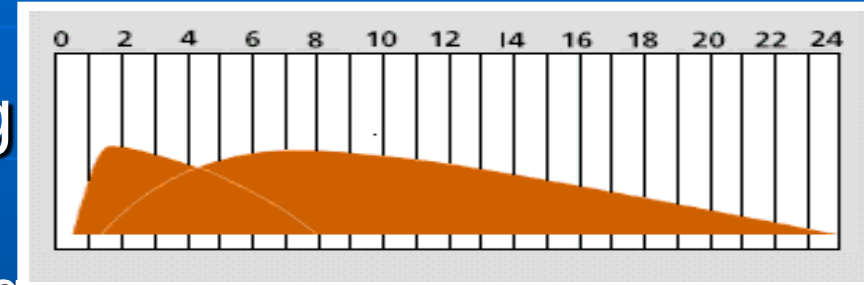


- Crystals in suspension (need re-suspending)
- Cloudy
- NPH (Humilin N) or Protaphane (**NPH = Neutral Protamine Hagedorn**)
- Onset $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours
- Peak 4 - 10 hours
- Duration 16 to 18 hours

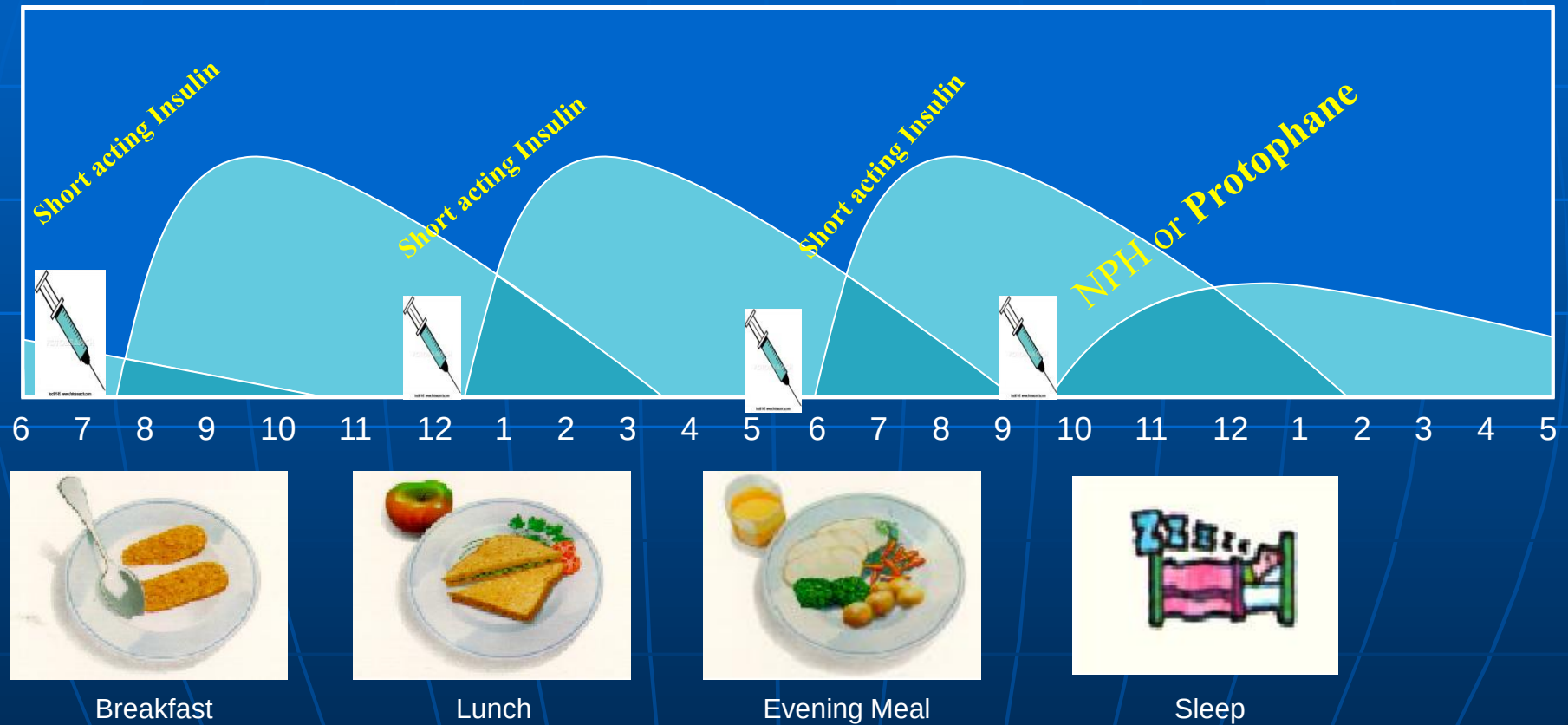
Premixed Insulins/ **Biphasic Insulins**

Humilin 30/70(lilly) or **Penmix 30/70(Novo Nordisk)**

- Pre-mixed combinations of short and intermediate acting insulins (biphasic)
- Cloudy (needs re-suspending)
- 5 different combinations (30, 40, 50)
 - e.g. 30/70 Mixture = 30% fast acting + 70% intermediate acting
 - **Onset 30 minutes**
- Peak 2 - 8 hours
- Duration up to 24 hours



4 Injections Per Day
3 Short + 1 Intermediate Acting
(Basal Bolus)
using **Actrapid and Protaphane** or **Humulin R and NPH**



Need for Analog Insulins

Current insulin time action profiles not ideal

- Disadvantages of existing insulins:

Short acting

- • must be injected up to 30 mins before meal
- • duration of action up to 8 hours/overlap

Intermediate acting

- • insulin peaks too early in night
- • increases risk of nocturnal hypoglycaemia
- • after peak, action wanes too rapidly

Rapid-acting insulins Novorapid (Insulin Aspart) NovoNordisk

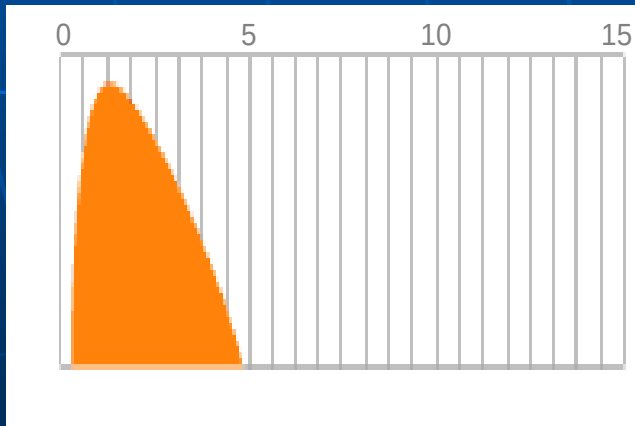
Humalog(Lispro)Lilly,

Apidra (insulin glulisine) Aventis

- Clinical benefits

- improved metabolic control compared with human soluble insulin
- fewer hypoglycaemic episodes
- no post-prandial hypoglycaemia

Prandial Insulins



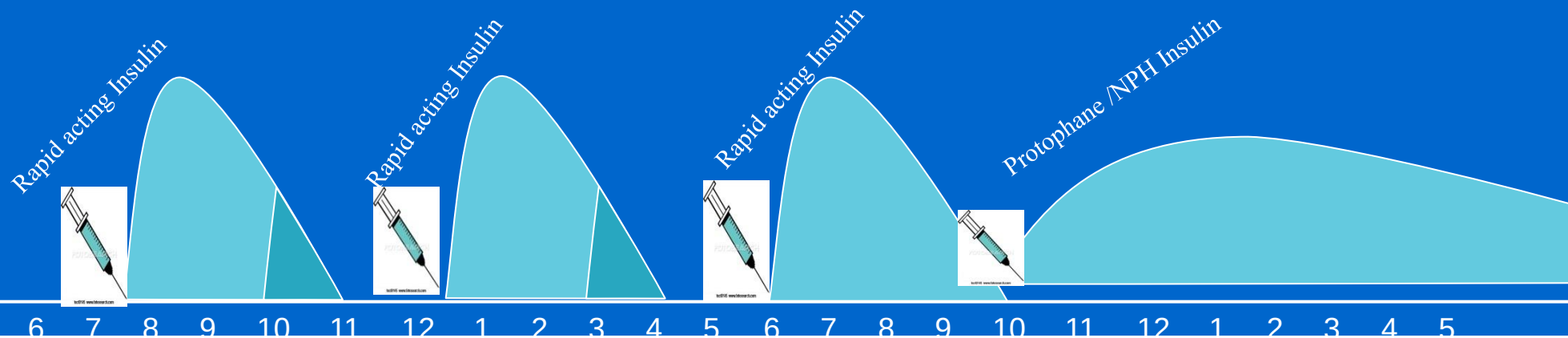
- rapid onset of action
- short duration of action
- better quality of life and improved convenience

4 Injections Per Day

3 rapid acting + 1 intermediate Acting

(Basal Bolus)

Rapid Acting and Protopahne /NPH



Breakfast



Lunch

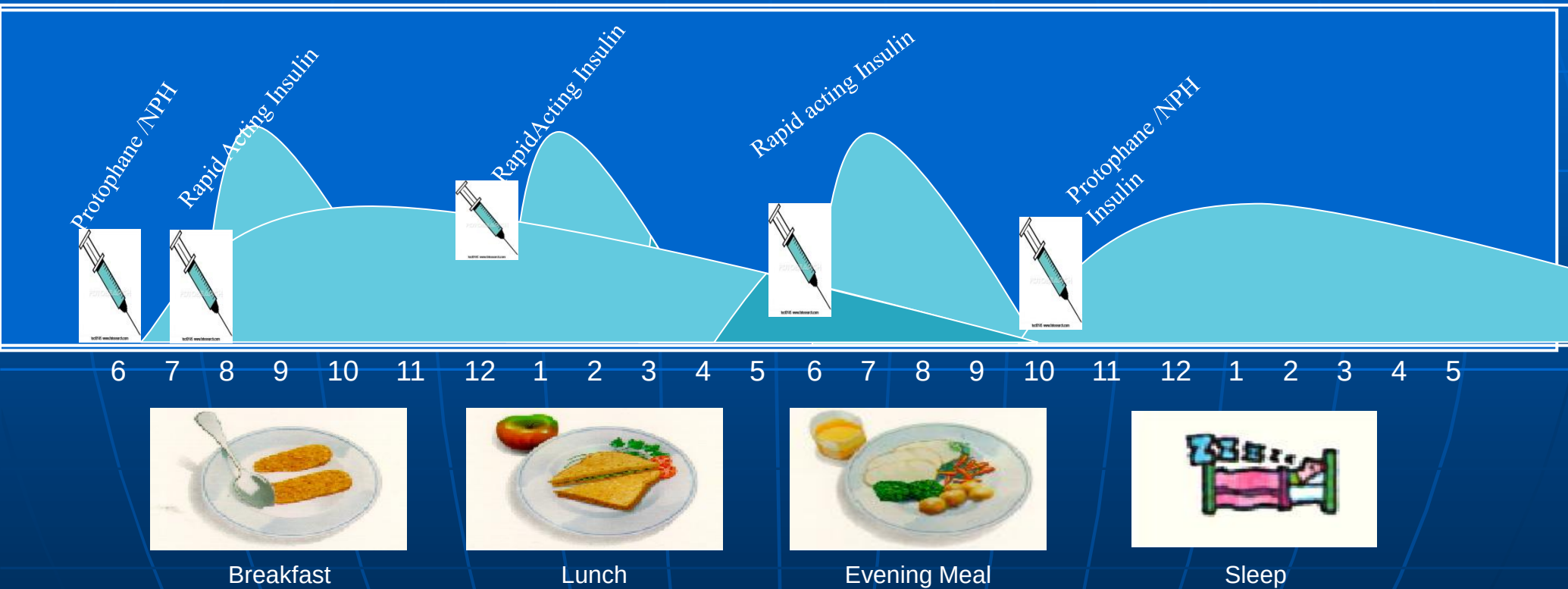


Evening Meal



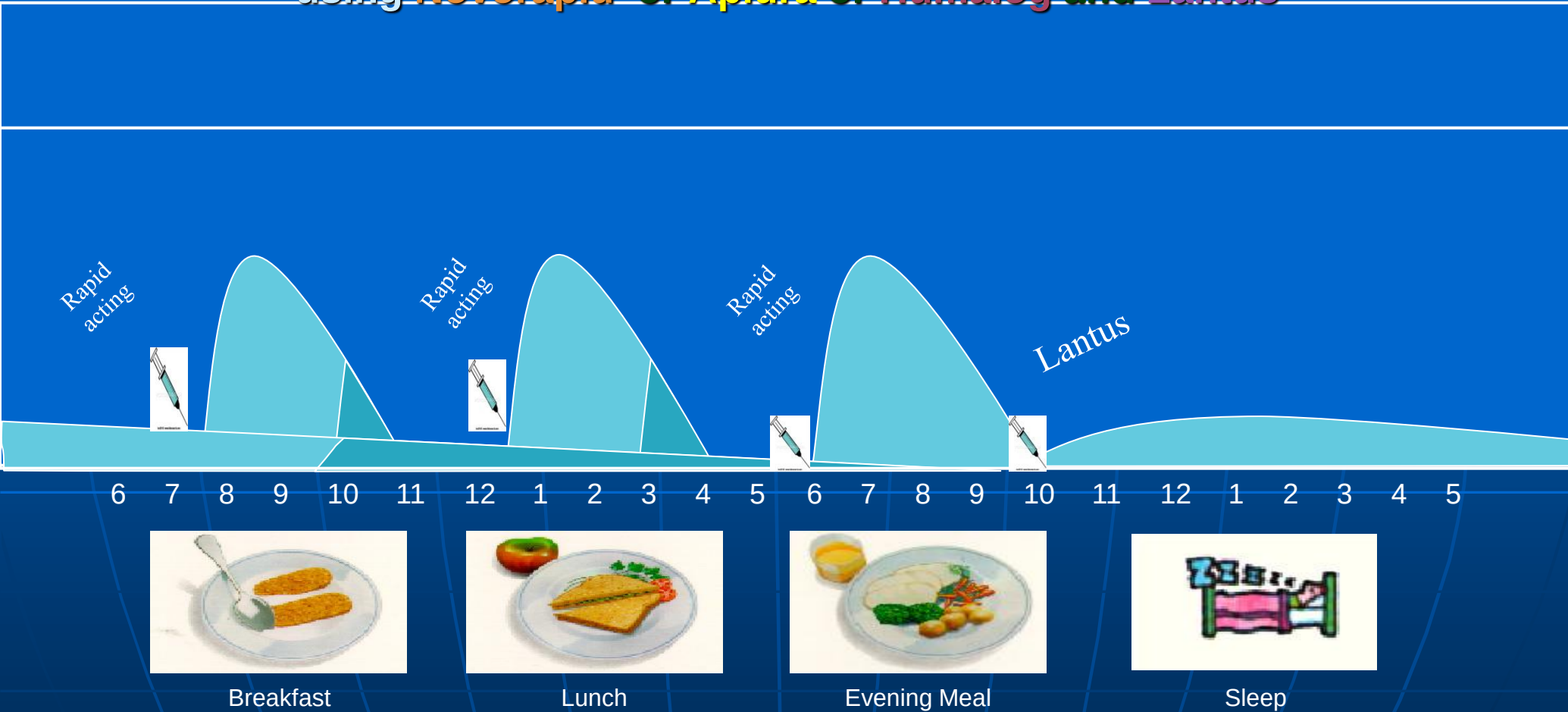
Sleep

4 Injections Per Day 3 rapid acting + 1 long Acting (Basal Bolus) Rapid Acting and Protophane or NPH BD

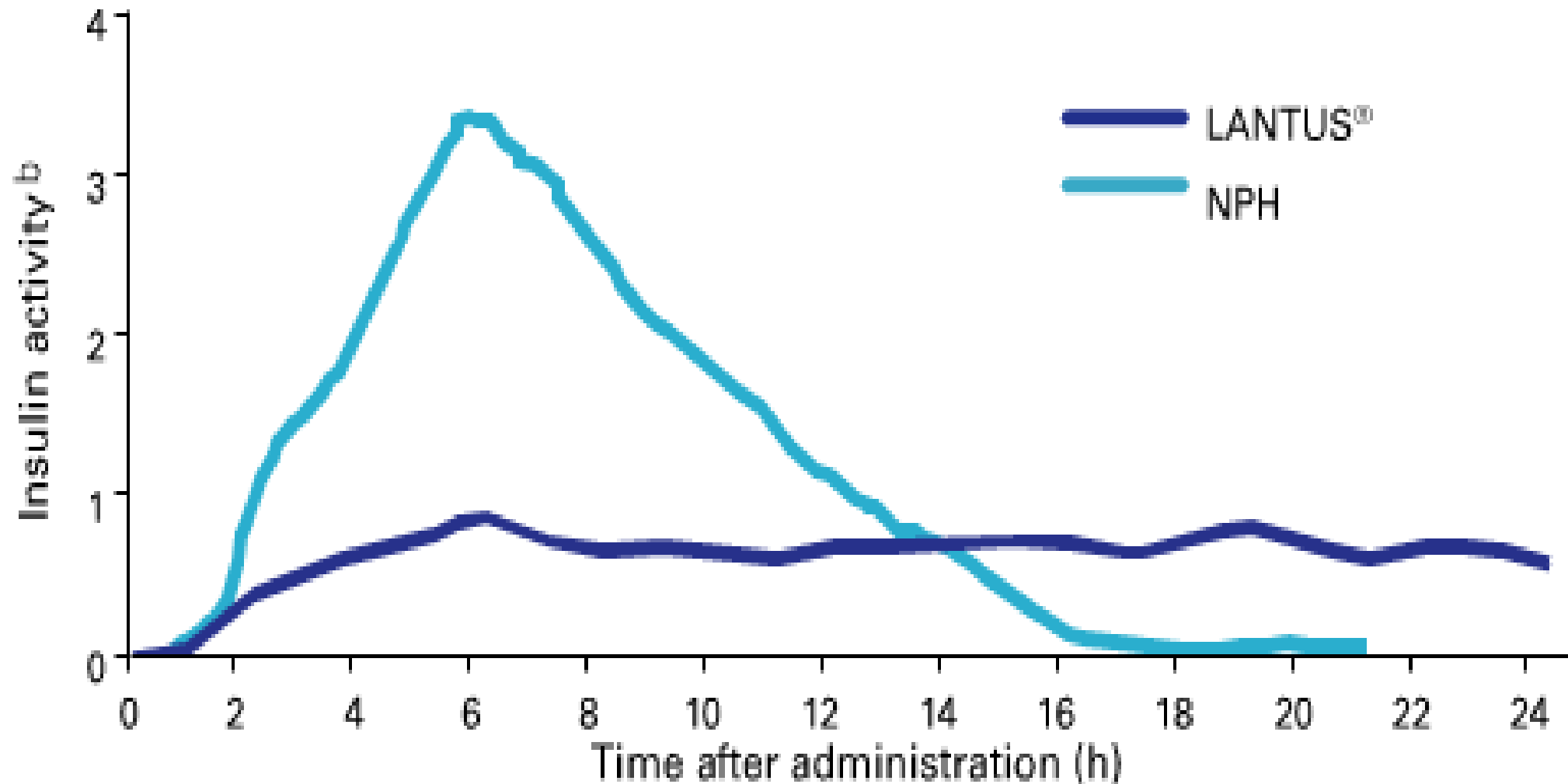


4 Injections Per Day 3 rapid acting + 1 long Acting (Basal Bolus)

using **Novorapid** or **Apidra** or **Humalog** and **Lantus**

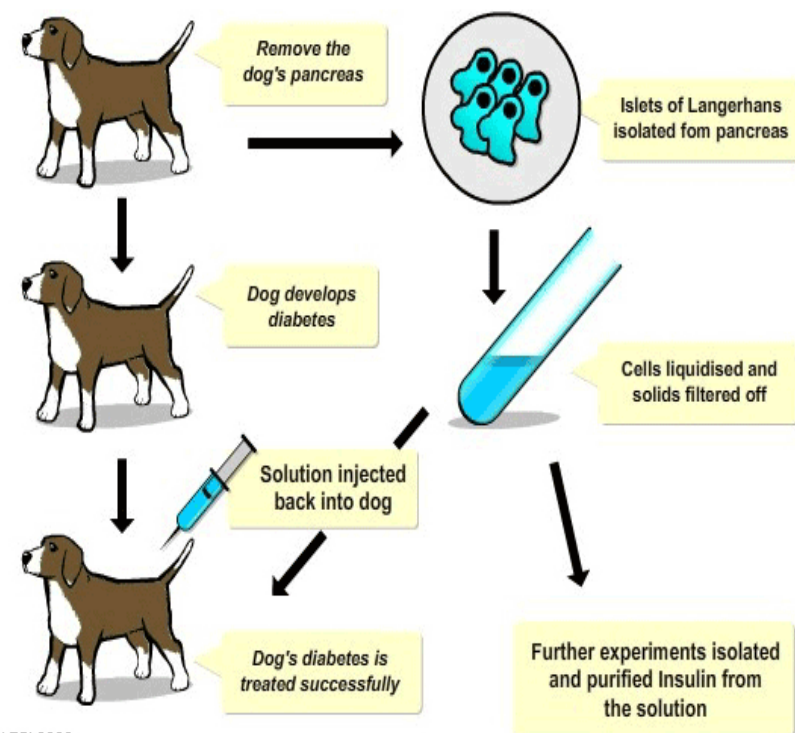
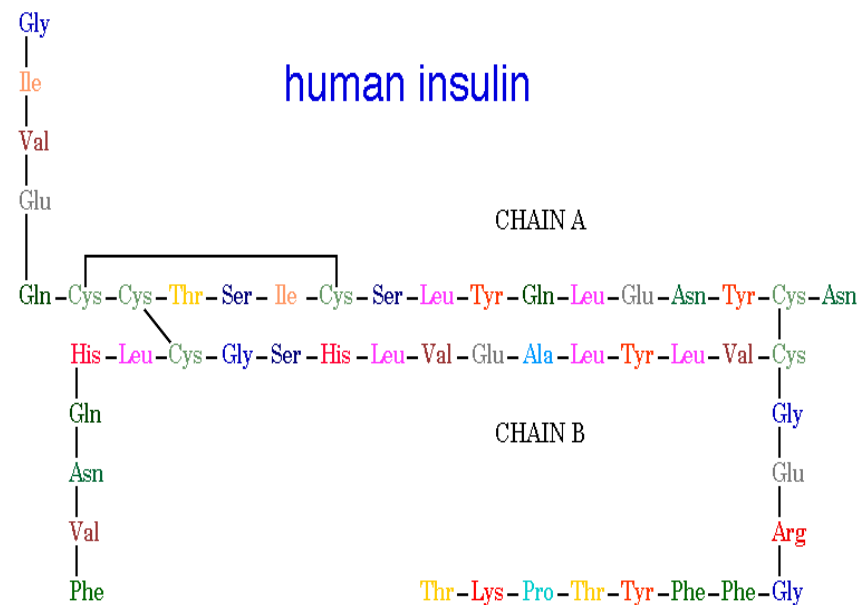
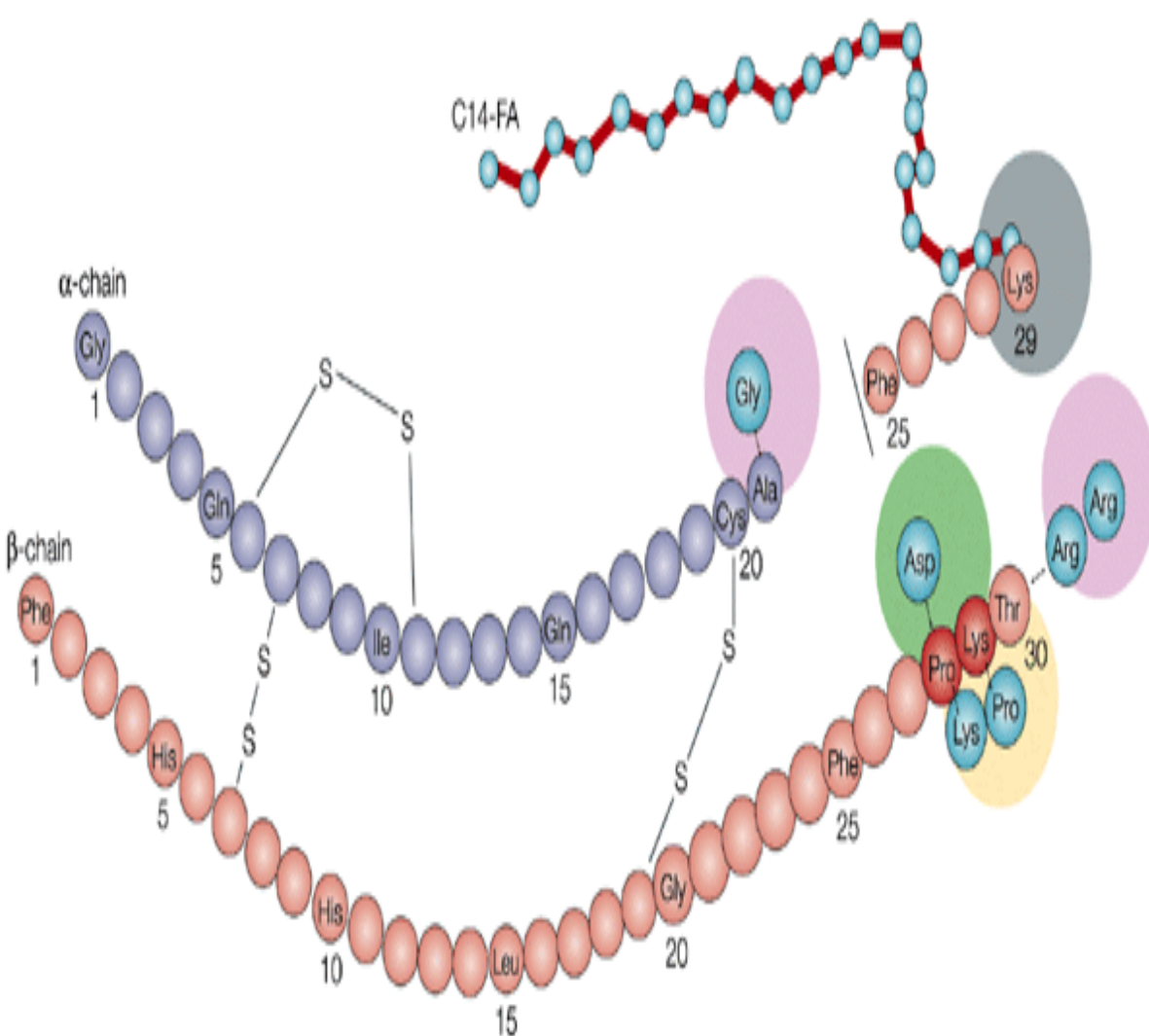


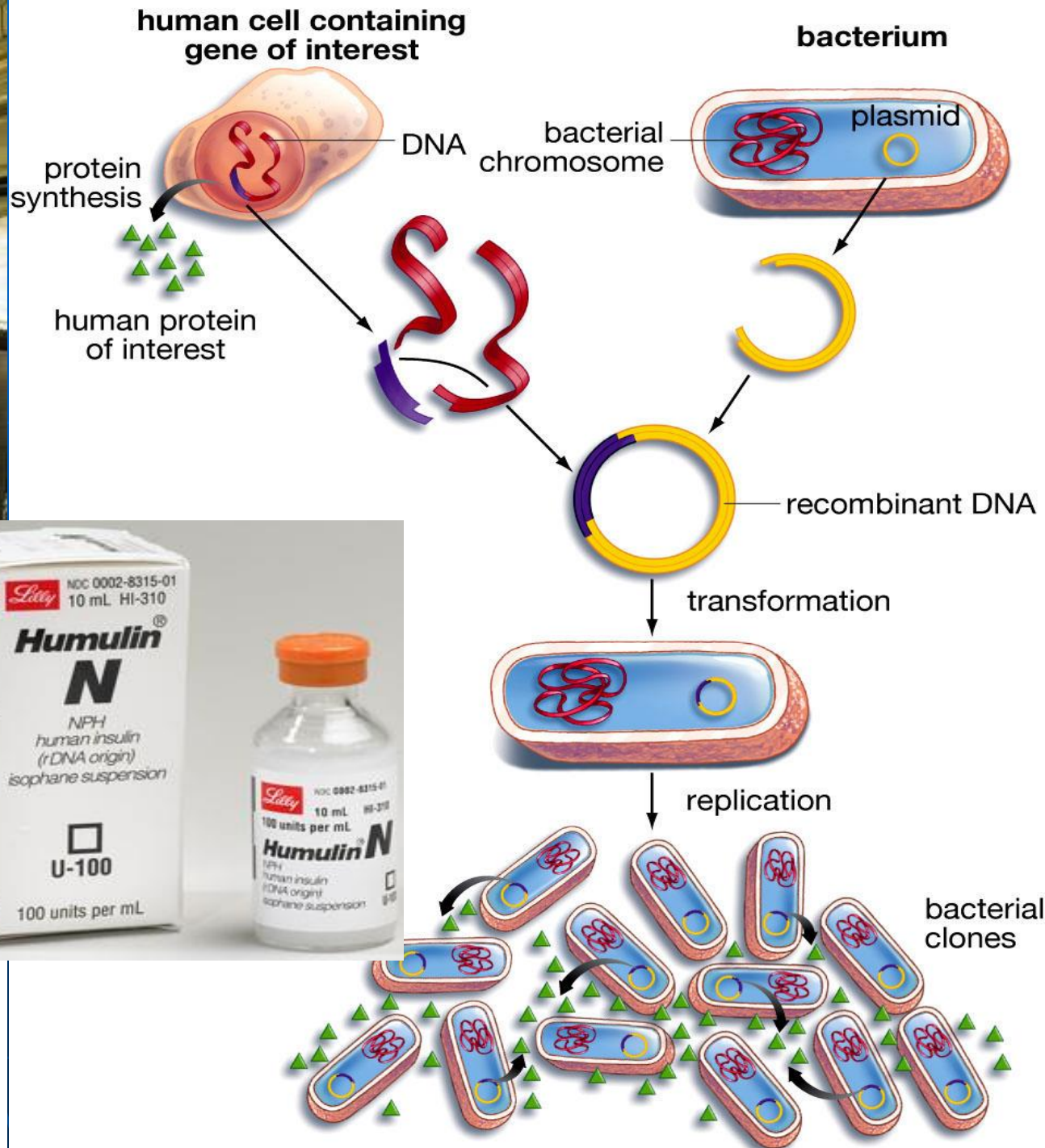
Profile of LANTUS® vs NPH in Patients with Type 1 Diabetes ^a 3, 19



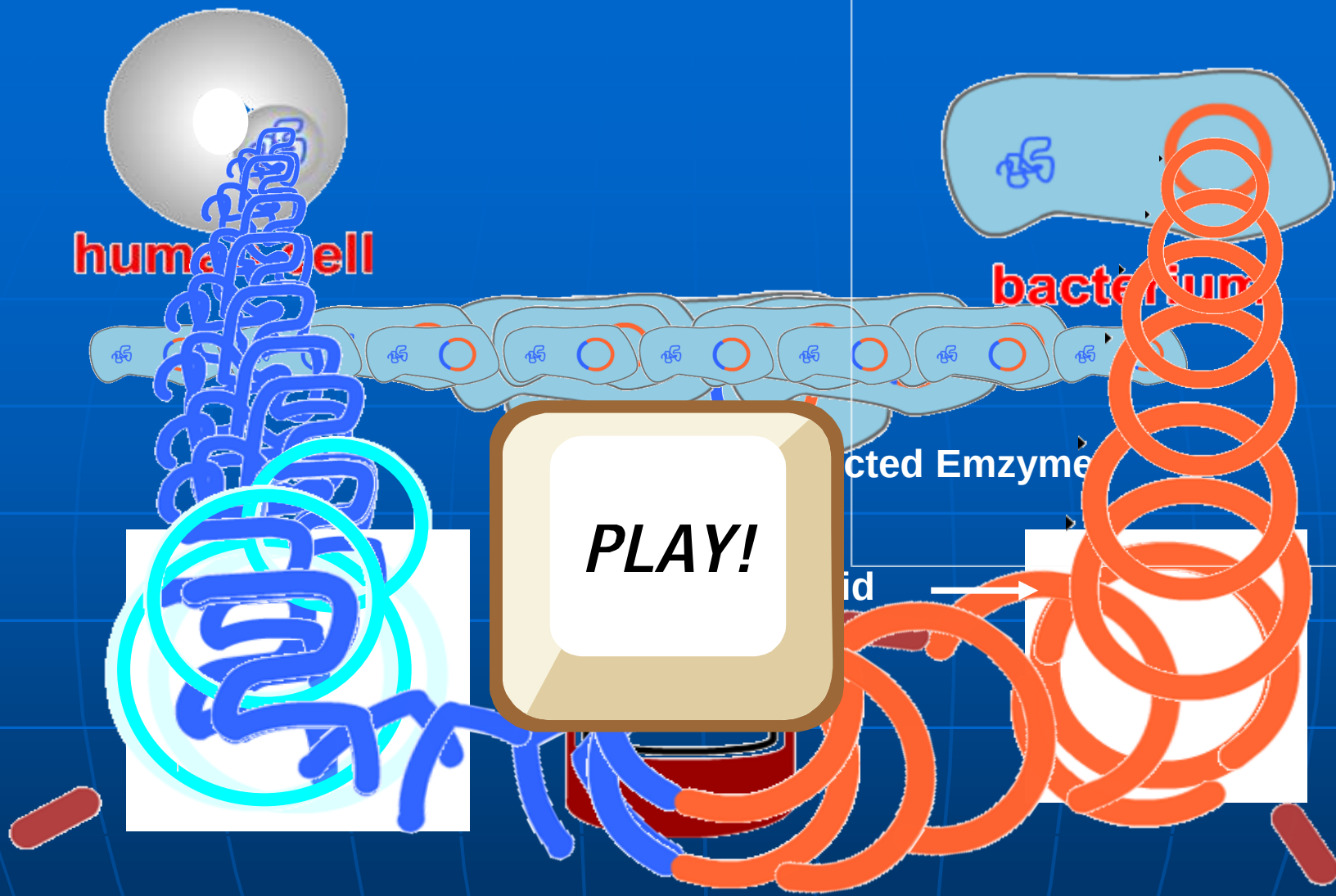
Long Acting Analogues

- Lantus
 - Delayed and prolonged absorption from injection site
 - Flatter profile (peak removed): Less hypos
 - Longer duration of action





8 Grow trillions of new insulin-producing bacteria.



gene enzyme cuts out gene

Enzyme cuts bacterial DNA and inserts insulin gene

Aspart, lispro, glulisine

Plasma Insulin Levels

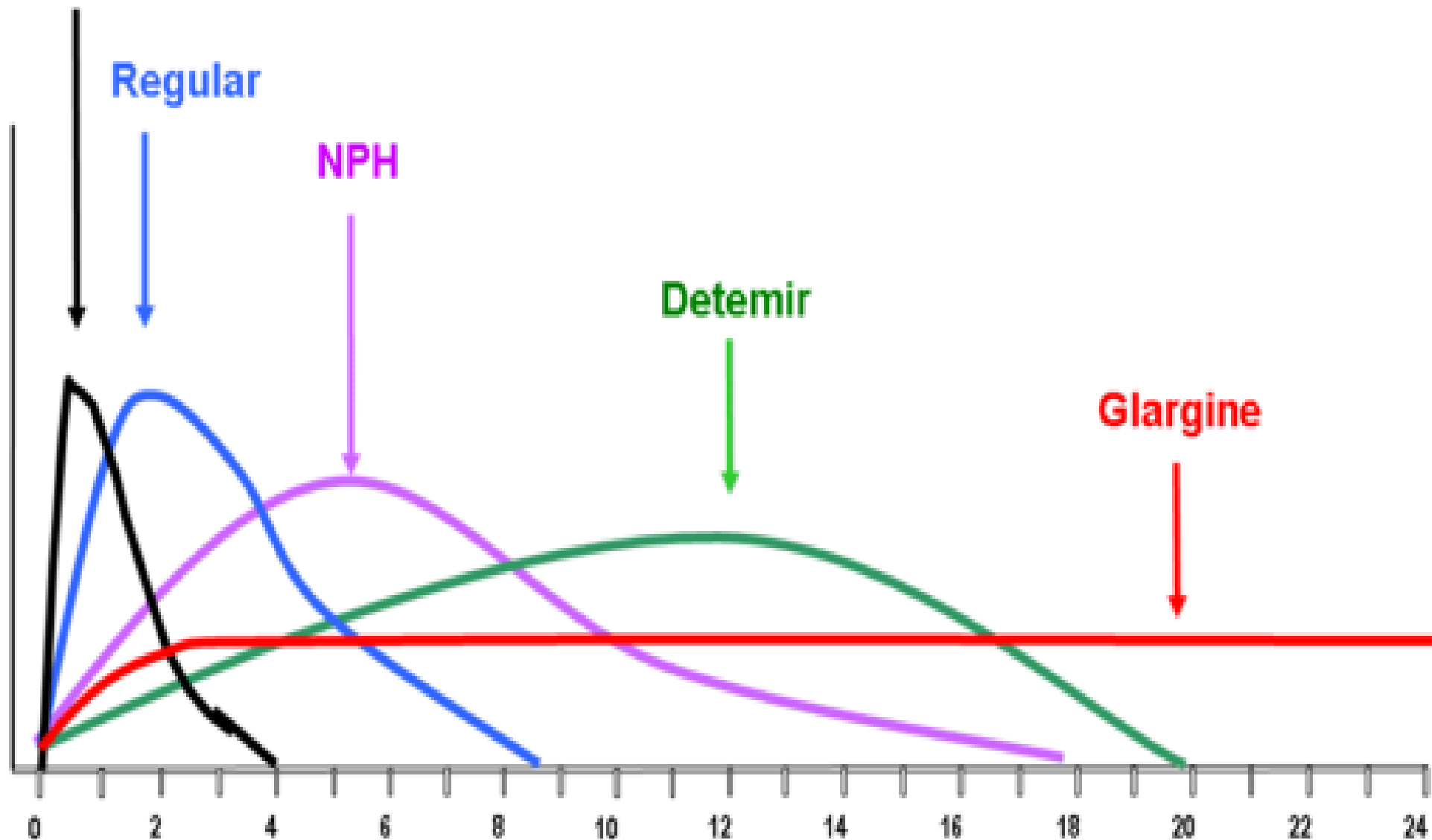
Regular

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Detemir

Glargine

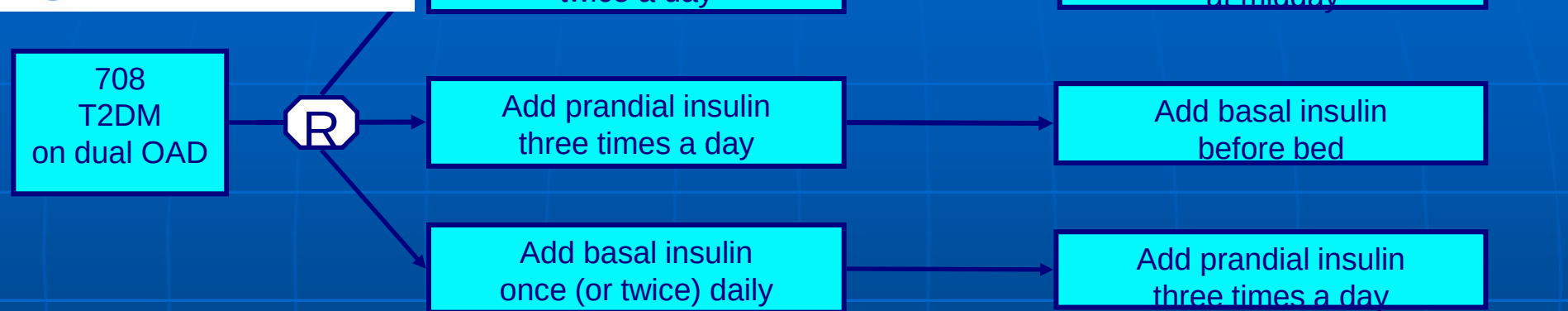
Hours



Type 2 Diabetes Insulin Options

- **Basal**
 - NPH / Protophane at bedtime and/or a.m.
 - Glargine(Lantus) once daily at any time of the day
(Now Funded for all Type 2)
 - Detemir once or twice daily (*not funded in NZ*)
- **Premixed**
 - Premixed once or twice a day
- **Pre Mixed Analogues** :Humalog Mix 25 ,Humalog Mix 50/50(*Injected before breakfast and before dinner*)GOOD FOR POST PRANDIALS
Novomix 30/70 : *Now Funded in New Zealand*
 - **Meal-time insulin or Basal + one or Basal Plus 2**
 - Multiple daily injections (meal-time + basal)

4 TREATING To TARGET IN TYPE 2 DIABETES



* *Intensify to a combination insulin regimen in year one if unacceptable hyperglycaemia*

Three-arm trial in 708 patients with type 2 diabetes from 58 UK and Irish centres
Evaluating addition of three different analogue insulin regimens to dual oral antidiabetic therapy
Open-label randomisation to:

- Twice a day biphasic insulin (NovoMix 30)
- Three times a day prandial insulin (NovoRapid)
- Once a day basal insulin (Levemir) before bed, with a morning injection added if necessary

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N Engl J Med 2007; 357: 1716-30

Outcomes at One Year

Primary

- To compare HbA_{1c} levels achieved by the three regimens

Secondary outcomes include:

- Proportion with HbA_{1c} ≤6.5%
- Proportion with unacceptable hyperglycemia
i.e. HbA_{1c} >10% or two successive values >8.5%
at or after 24 weeks
- Hypoglycaemia rates
- Impact on body weight
- Quality of Life (EQ-5D)
- Eight-point self-measured capillary glucose profiles
- Proportion requiring a morning basal insulin injection

Results Comparisons

Results – Harms:

- **Basal Insulin:** gained less weight than those in the biphasic or prandial insulin groups

Weight gain in Kg

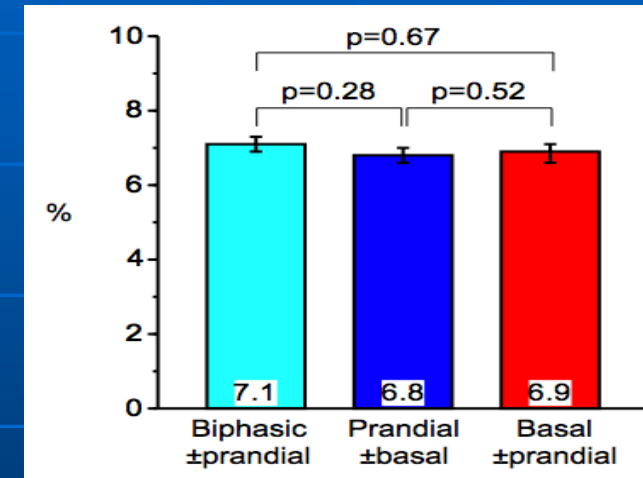
- Basal +1.9 kg
- Bi-Phasic + 4.7 kg and
- Prandial + 5.7 kg, $P < 0.001$).

- The weight gain was significantly higher in the prandial group than the biphasic group ($P = 0.005$).

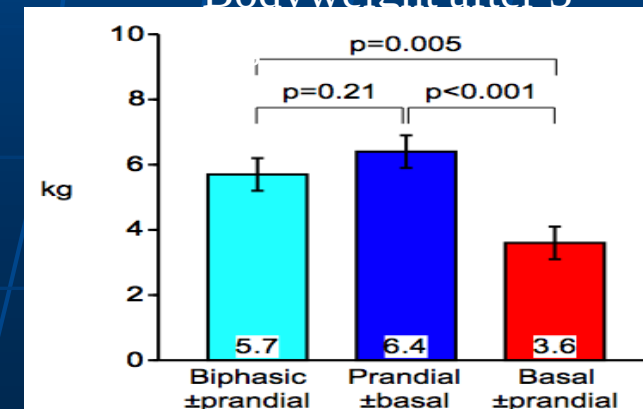
- **Basal group:** significantly less likely to experience more severe hypoglycaemia than those in the biphasic or prandial groups (median: 0, 3.9 and 8.0 events per patient per year).

Results – benefits:

- The reduction in HbA1c from baseline:
 - 1.3% in the **biphasic** group,
 - 1.4% in the **prandial** group
 - 0.8% in the **basal** group. Hba1c after 3 yrs



Bodyweight after 3



Basal Insulin Summary

- One injection a day, with two capillary glucose tests for dose titration
- One third of patients require a morning insulin injection in addition
- More patients require a second insulin formulation than with Biphasic or Prandial insulin
- Basal slightly less HbA_{1c} lowering than with Biphasic or Prandial insulin
- Basal Insulin causes less weight gain and less hypoglycaemia than with Biphasic or Prandial insulin
- No change in QoL as assessed by EQ-5D

What about their oral Medications ??

- Hang on!!!!!!

- Don't throw away the Metformin?????????



Metformin and Insulin: the benefits

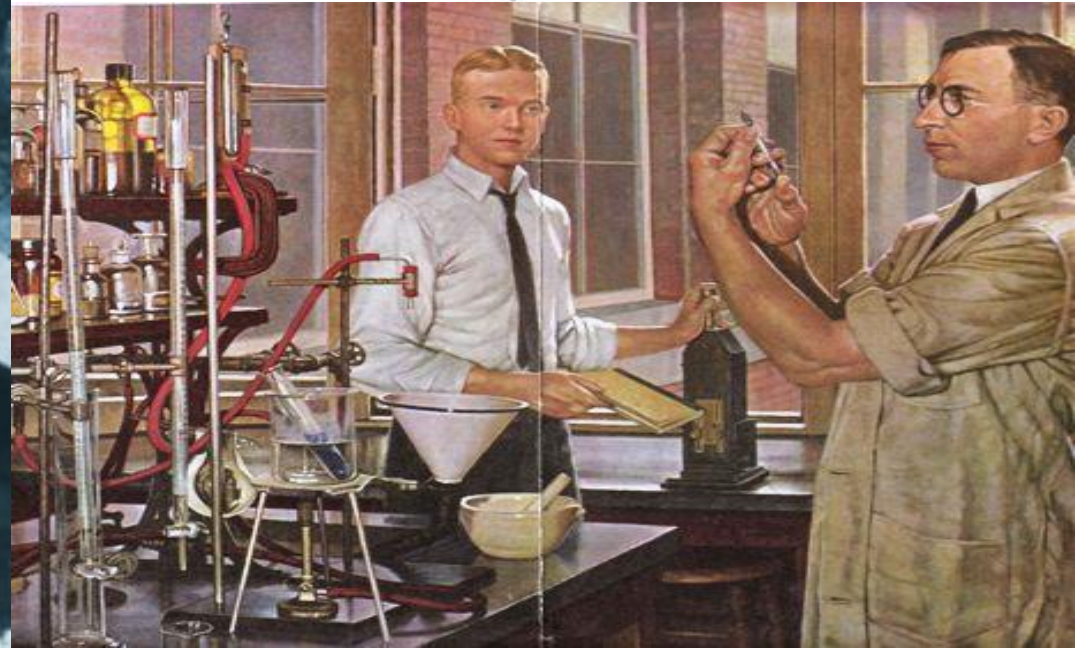
Arch Intern Med. 2009;169(6):616-625

- 390 patients RCT with Metformin 850 tds or placebo added to insulin with mean 4.3 year follow-up
 - Metformin patients on average:
 - Hba1c 0.4% better,
 - Weight 3.07kg lighter
 - Needed ~20 units less insulin
 - Lower macrovascular event rate (NNT 16)
 - Metformin reduces risks cancers

Glory enough for all !!!!!



Soon after its discovery, insulin captivated media attention (Banting Digital Library)



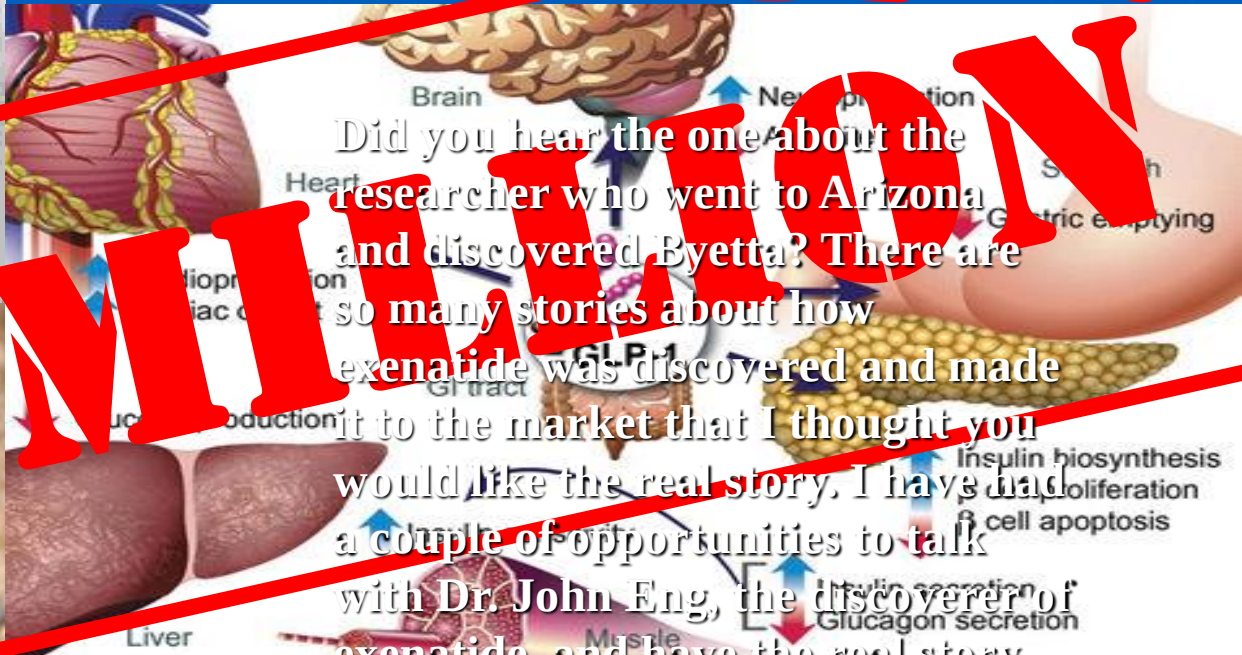
FOOD(Money) FOR
THOUGHT!!!!!!!





Thought for food!!!!!!!!!!

Dr. John Eng's Research Found That The Saliva Of The Gila Monster Contains A Hormone That Treats Diabetes Better Than Any Other Medicine



Did you hear the one about the researcher who went to Arizona and discovered Byetta? There are so many stories about how exenatide was discovered and made it to the market that I thought you would like the real story. I have had a couple of opportunities to talk with Dr. John Eng, the discoverer of exenatide, and have the real story.



SEVEN DECADES OF DIABETES SUCCESS RECOGNISED

Waitakere Hospital diabetes nurse Rab Burtun always thought 78-year-old (**now 84yrs**) Winsome Johnston deserved a medal – so he set about ensuring his inspirational patient receive just that.

On 12 September Mrs Johnston will be the first New Zealander to be awarded the Diabetes UK Macleod Medal for living successfully with insulin-dependent Type 1 diabetes for more than 70 years (**78 yrs**) She will also receive Diabetes New Zealand's Sir Charles Burns Memorial Award.

“I tell my patients about Win's story every day. She's living proof that it's possible to live long and well with diabetes. She's an inspiration to everybody – me included,” Rab says.

A Type 1 diabetic himself, Rab was diagnosed 30 years ago and wrote to Diabetes UK last month to share Winsome's story because of the motivation and encouragement it offers others.

“She hasn't got a single complication of diabetes, she's had three successful pregnancies – one with twins -and now has eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

“Pregnancy itself is an achievement for people with diabetes because their blood sugar

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THANK YOU!!!!

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