



# Diabetes and Hypertension Project ECHO\* Clinic

\*ECHO: Extension of Community Healthcare Outcomes

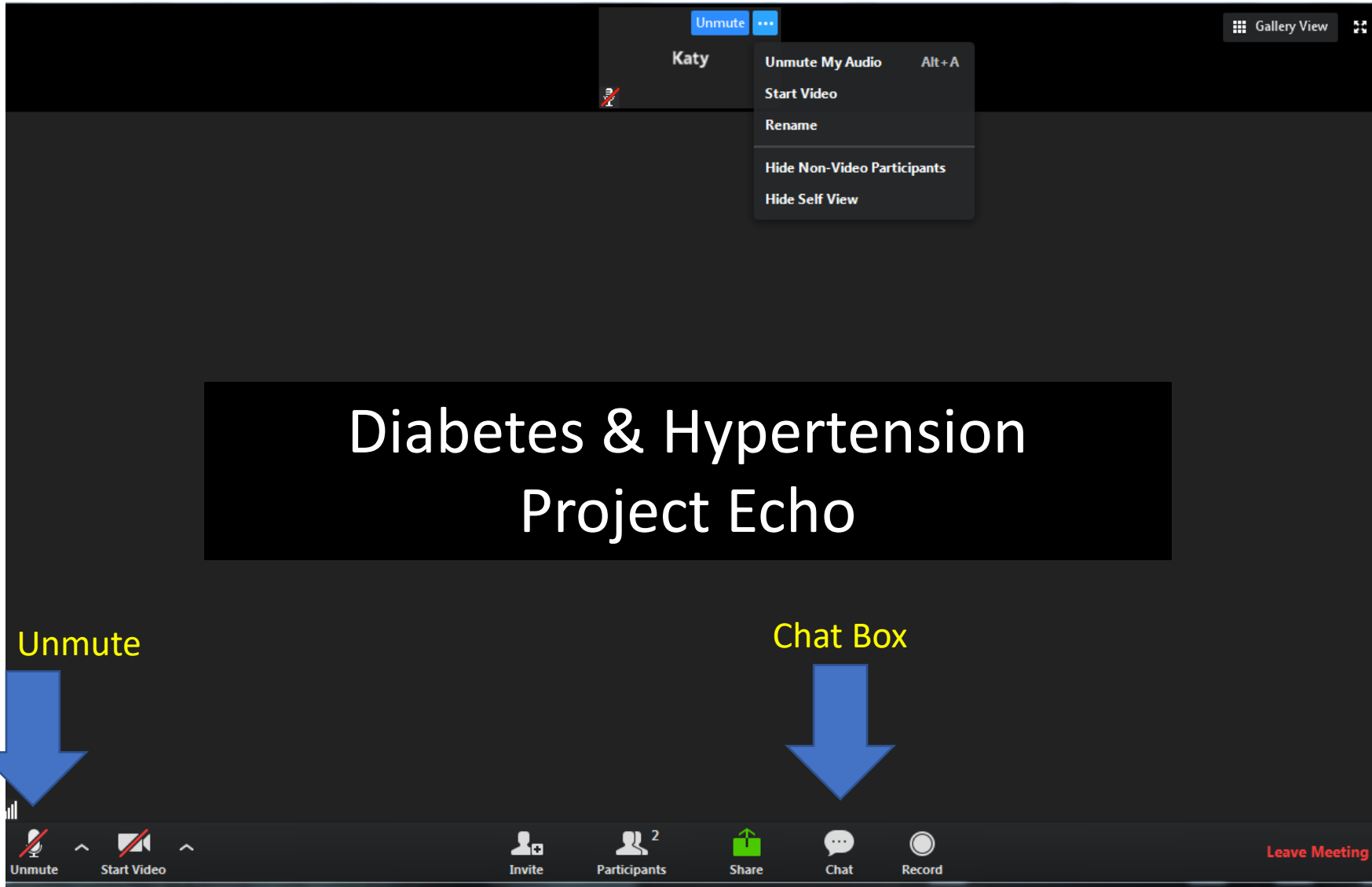
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# ECHO is all teach, all learn

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Interactive



Co-management  
of cases



Peer-to-peer  
learning



Collaborative  
problem solving

## Helpful Reminders

- Please feel free to eat your lunch or step away briefly if needed
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- Project ECHO operates on the “All Teach, All Learn” model
  - Feel free to ask questions in the chat or unmute to ask questions at designated times
  - We're all here to learn from each other and value each person's input and expertise!



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# VCU Health Diabetes & Hypertension ECHO Clinics

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- One-hour ECHO clinics on 2nd Thursdays
- Every ECHO clinic includes a didactic presentation followed by case discussions
- Website: [www.vcuhealth.org/echodmhtn](http://www.vcuhealth.org/echodmhtn)
  - Directions for claiming CE :
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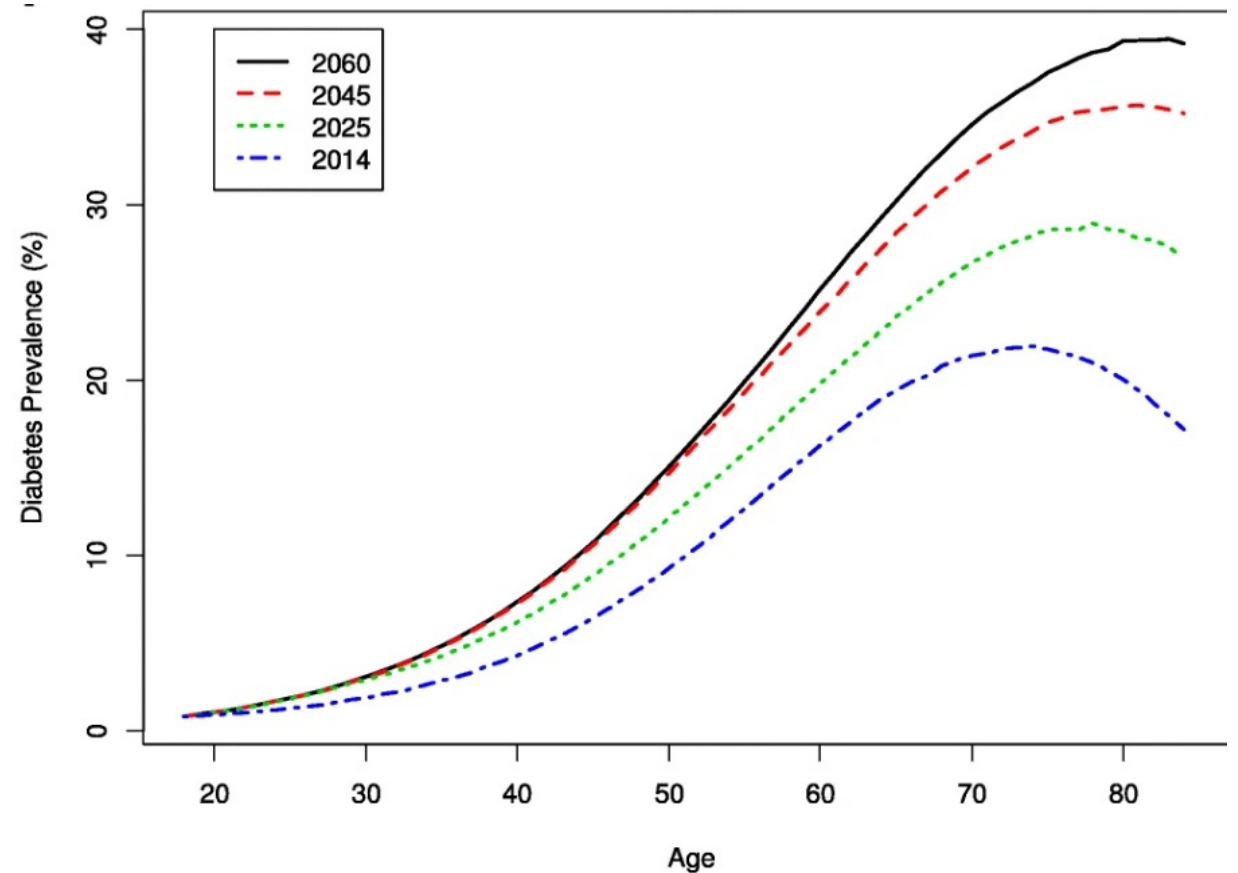
# The Future of Diabetes Care

# Learning objectives

- Describe the expected changes in epidemiology of diabetes over the next few decades
- Review emerging diabetes technologies
- Discuss new medications awaiting approval for use in treatment of diabetes

# Diabetes in the US

- 1980 – 5.5 million
- 2014 – 21.9 million
- By 2060, projected to be 60.6 million (17.9% of US population)
- Age 65+ will have larger increases in number and % prevalence





# Projections of type 1 and type 2 diabetes burden in the U.S. population aged <20 years through 2060: The SEARCH for Diabetes in Youth Study

## Objective

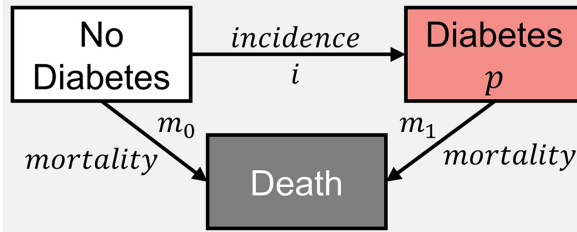
To project the prevalence and number of youth aged <20 years with diabetes through 2060

## Input data

Prevalence in 2017 and incidence between 2002 and 2017 by

- Diabetes type
- Age
- Sex
- Race and ethnicity

## Illness-Death Model



## Two projection scenarios:

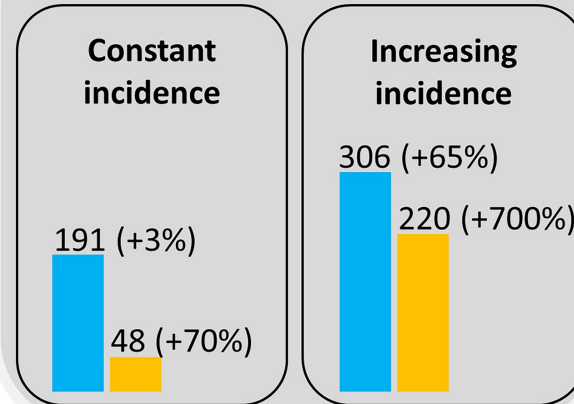
1. Constant incidence:  
Incidence remains constant between 2017 and 2060
2. Increasing incidence:  
Incidence continues to increase as observed between 2002 and 2017

## Number of cases in 1,000s

### Year 2017



### Year 2060



\*predicted a higher burden of type 2 diabetes for Black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian, Pacific Islander, and American Indian/Alaska Native youth

# Diabetes Technology

# Question

- Success with hybrid-closed loop insulin pump systems which are integrated with continuous glucose monitors (CGMs) require which of the following?
- A. Ability to count carbs
- B. Calibration of the CGM at least twice daily, to ensure accurate data is transmitted to the pump software algorithm for insulin adjustments
- C. Neither – pumps are fully automated and CGMs no longer require fingerstick glucose calibration or data entry from the patient

# Hybrid closed loop systems

- All still require some type of carb entry
- Newest market entry: iLet insulin pump

# iLet Bionic Pancreas



## What is a bionic pancreas?

It's the future of insulin therapy.

### No more:

- ⊗ Carb Counting\*
- ⊗ Carb Ratios
- ⊗ Correction Factors
- ⊗ Pre-set Basal Rates

or any of the other settings that might be overwhelming about other insulin delivery devices.

**The iLet needs only one number - your weight.**

*\*User must be carb aware.*



# iLet Bionic Pancreas

- Approved for T1DM aged 6 years and up
- No basal rate settings / adjustments or carb ratio / correction factors can be made
- NOT approved for T2DM (yet)
- Dexcom G6 compatible only
- Still requires “meal announcement” – patient must enter “more”, “less”, or “normal” amount of carbs per meal

# CGM

- CGM users in the US was about 38% of people with type 1 diabetes in 2018.
- That has risen to 80% in 2022



# CGM – current state



	Dexcom G7	Dexcom G6	Senseonics Eversense (US)	Freestyle Libre 2	Freestyle Libre 3
<b>Fingerstick Calibration</b>	0 - Factory Calibrated	0 - Factory Calibrated	2/day minimum	0 - Factory Calibrated	0 - Factory Calibrated
<b>Medicare coverage</b>	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Warmup</b>	30 minutes	2 Hours	24 hours after implantation	1 hour	1 hour
<b>Wear length</b>	10 days	10 days	90 Days	14 Days	14 Days
<b>On-body form and transmitter design</b>	~3 stacked quarters, one-press insertion <b><u>Fully disposable transmitter</u></b> integrated with sensor patch	Eraser-sized transmitter, one-button inserter <b>Three-month use transmitter separate from sensor</b>	Sensor inserted by a healthcare professional Rechargeable, watchface-sized transmitter separate from sensor	~2 stacked quarters, one-press insertion <b><u>Fully disposable transmitter</u></b> integrated with sensor patch	~2 stacked pennies, one-press insertion <b><u>Fully disposable transmitter</u></b> integrated with sensor patch



# Question

- Which of the following locations are FDA approved for CGM placement?
- A. Arm only
- B. Abdomen
- C. Both
- D. Depends on CGM

# CGM placement

- Libre – Back of arm only
- Dexcom – Back of arm, abdomen,
  - children are approved for use on upper buttocks

# CGM – what's next

- Dexcom G7+ = 16 day sensor
- Libre – integration with insulin pumps
- Abbott – CGM with continuous ketone monitoring, clinical trials underway
- Noninvasive CGM – still in development:
  - Optical glucose monitoring: when a noninvasive measurement involves passing a type of radiation into a vascular region of the body (Raman spectroscopy)
  - Noninvasive fluid sampling (NIFS-GM): analyzes a fluid sample (tears, sweat, saliva, urine, etc.) that's collected without an invasive procedure
  - Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in exhaled breath have been identified that correlated with glucose levels and can be measured



# Medications on the horizon

# Once weekly icodec insulin

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**QUESTION** How does once-weekly insulin icodec compare with once-daily insulin degludec in glucose-lowering efficacy (hemoglobin A<sub>1c</sub> [HbA<sub>1c</sub>]) in adults with insulin-naive type 2 diabetes?

**CONCLUSION** Among people with insulin-naive type 2 diabetes, once-weekly icodec demonstrated superior HbA<sub>1c</sub> reduction to once-daily degludec after 26 weeks of treatment, with no difference in weight change and a higher rate of combined level 2 or 3 hypoglycemic events.

### POPULATION

369 Men  
219 Women



Insulin-naive adults with type 2 diabetes and HbA<sub>1c</sub> of 7.0% to 11.0% treated with noninsulin glucose-lowering agents

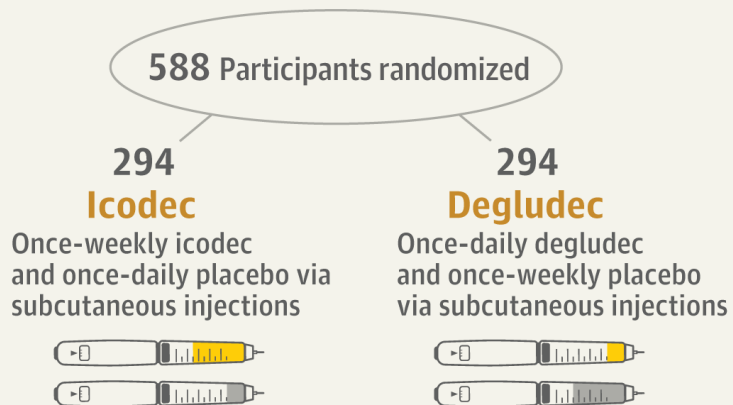
Mean age: 58 years

### LOCATIONS

92 Medical sites in 11 countries



### INTERVENTION



### PRIMARY OUTCOME

Change in mean HbA<sub>1c</sub> from baseline (week 0) to week 26 (noninferiority margin, 0.3 percentage points)

### FINDINGS

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Change in mean HbA<sub>1c</sub>

#### Icodec

Baseline ▶ 8.6%

6 months ▶ 7.0%

Estimated change, -1.6 percentage points

#### Degludec

Baseline ▶ 8.5%

6 months ▶ 7.2%

Estimated change, -1.4 percentage points

Icodec was found to be noninferior ( $P < .001$ ) and superior ( $P = .002$ ) to degludec:

Estimated treatment difference, **-0.2 percentage points** (95% CI, -0.3 to -0.1)

# Once weekly icodec insulin – secondary endpoints

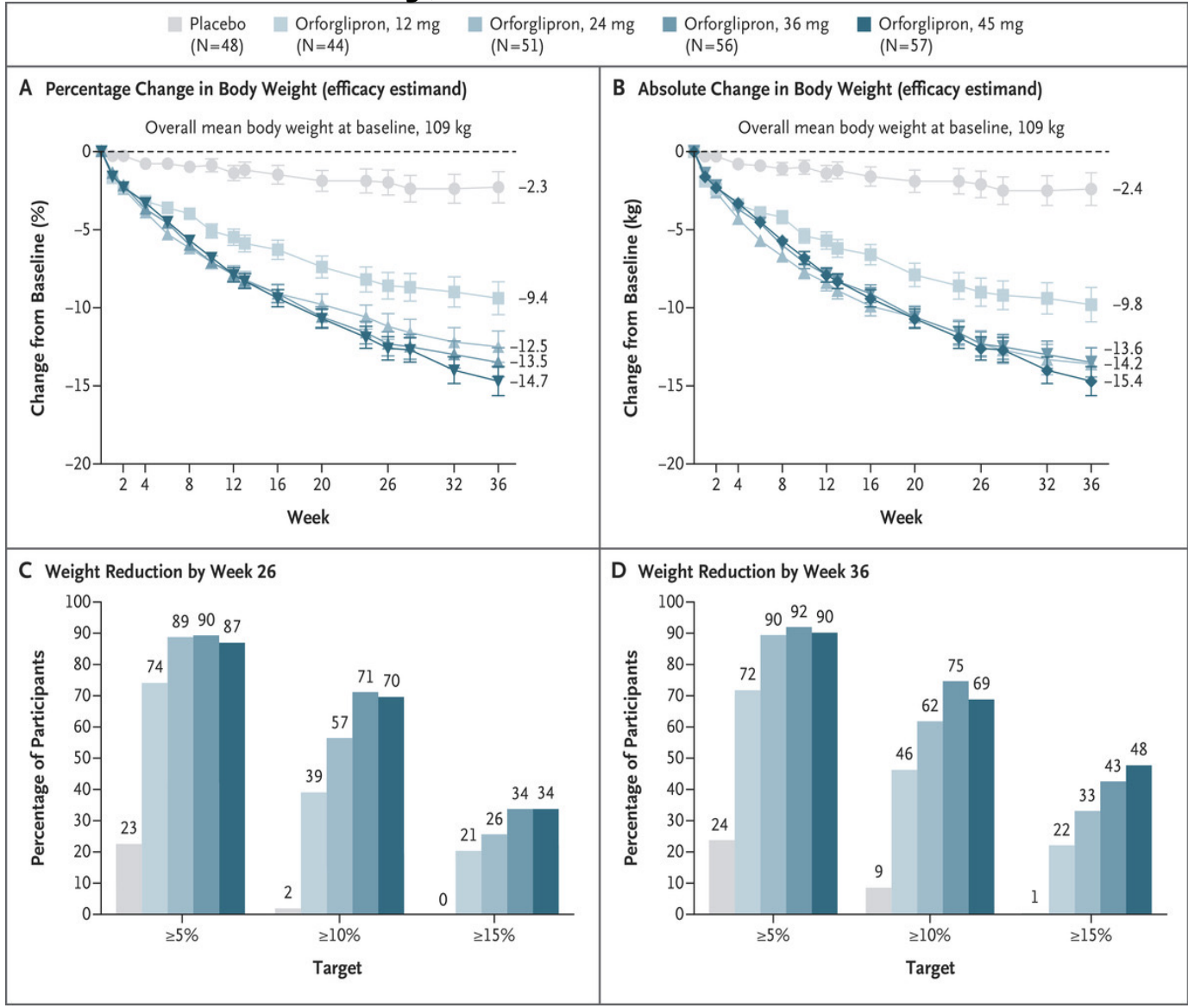
- Body weight change not different from baseline to week 26  
(2.8 kg vs 2.3 kg; estimated treatment difference, 0.46 [95% CI, -0.19 to 1.10] kg;  $P = .17$ )
- Combined level 2 or 3 hypoglycemia rates:
  - numerically higher in the icodec group than the degludec group from week 0 to 31 (0.31 vs 0.15 events per patient-year exposure;  $P = .11$ )
  - statistically higher in the icodec group from week 0 to 26 (0.35 vs 0.12 events per patient-year exposure;  $P = .01$ )

# Question

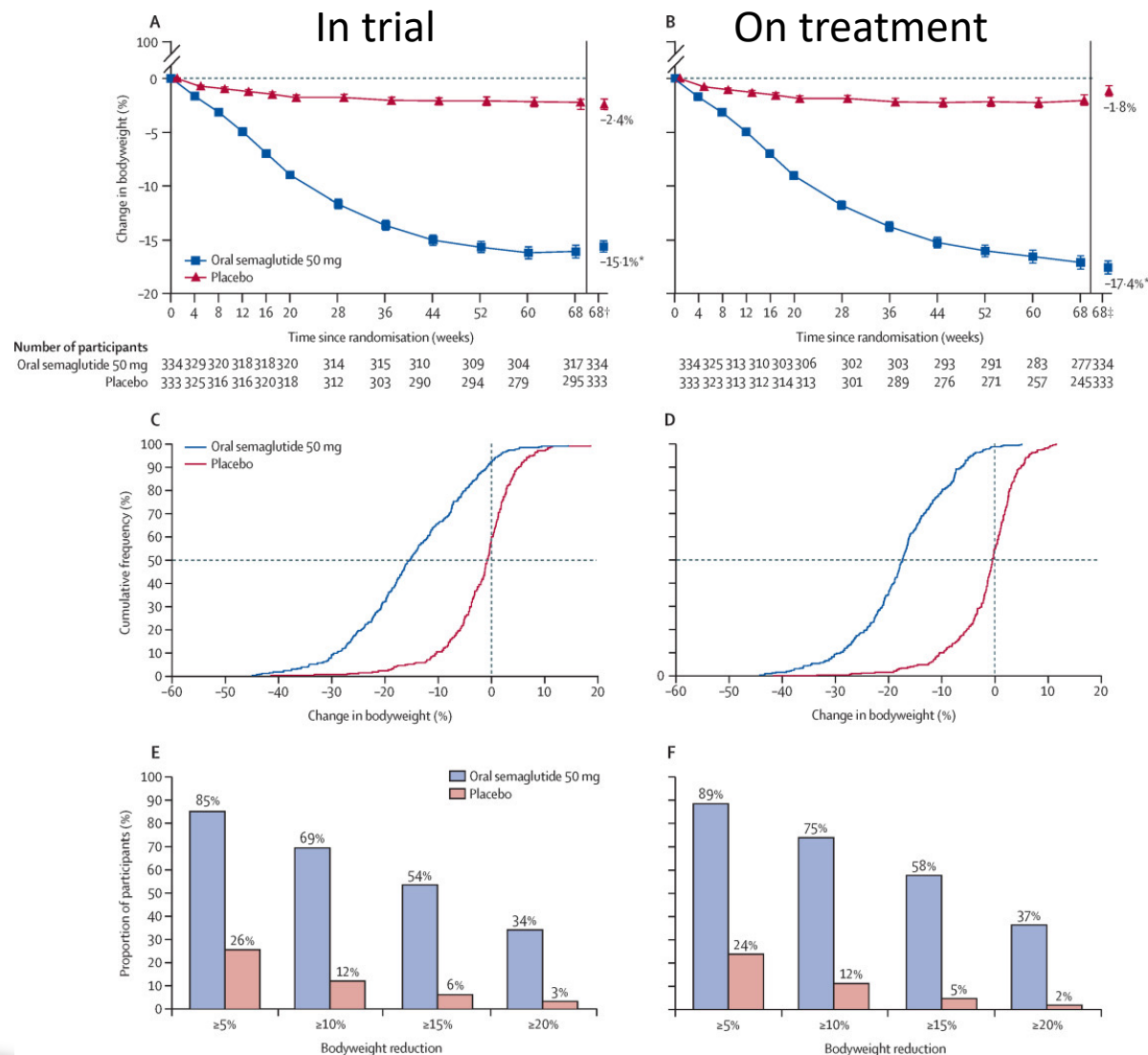
- Which of the following are FDA approved for WEIGHT LOSS and do not require presence of type 2 diabetes?
- A. Wegovy (semaglutide)
- B. Rybelsus (semaglutide, oral)
- C. Mounjaro (tirzepatide)
- D. Ozempic (semaglutide, injectable)



# Change in Body Weight with Daily Oral Orforglipron (oral GLP-1RA) vs Placebo for Adults with Obesity, without Diabetes



# Oral semaglutide 50 mg once daily in adults with overweight or obesity (OASIS 1) WITHOUT T2DM



- randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trial
- Once daily pill + lifestyle intervention, 68 weeks
- n=334 in placebo vs 333 in placebo
- most frequently reported events with oral semaglutide 50 mg were gastrointestinal related (nausea, constipation, diarrhea, and vomiting)
- reported side effects peaked during dose escalation
- Current FDA approved max dose semaglutide = 14mg daily for T2DM, avg 4-6 % weight loss

# Tirzepetaide (Mounjaro)

- FDA is expected to review and potentially approve it for weight loss WITHOUT diabetes in late 2023.
- Wegovy is approved for chronic weight management in adults and adolescents ages 12 and older.

# Summary

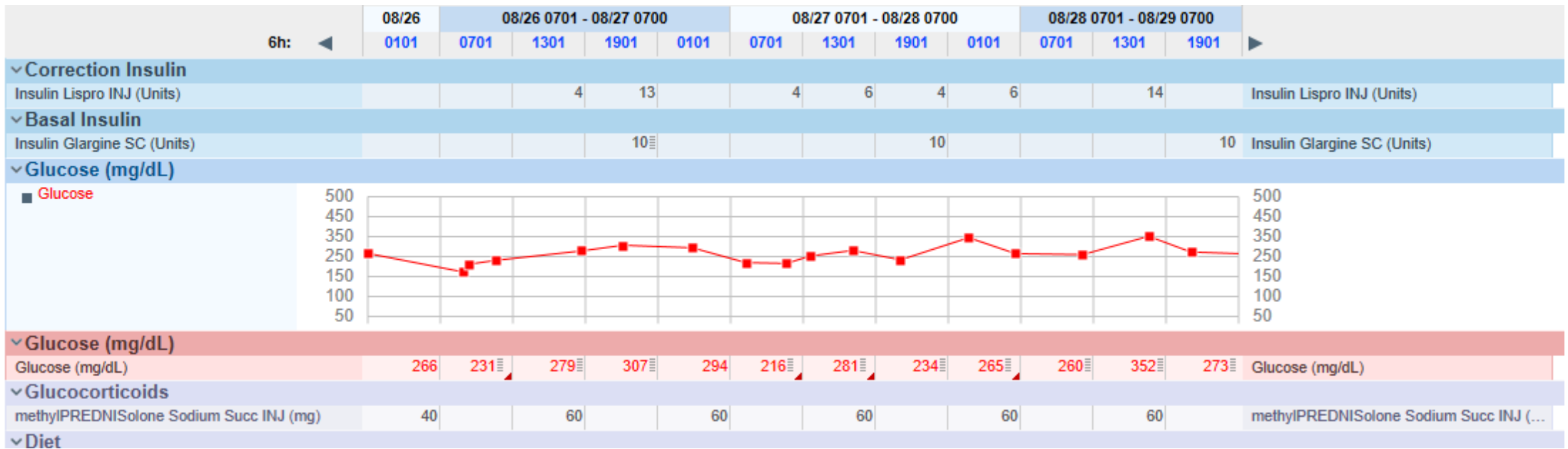
- Diabetes incidence / prevalence is continuing to increase at an alarming rate
- Diabetes technologies are shifting towards less active patient involvement
- Indications for GLP1-RA both oral and injectable will be expanded

# Case Studies

## Case 1: 60 yo M with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and T2DM

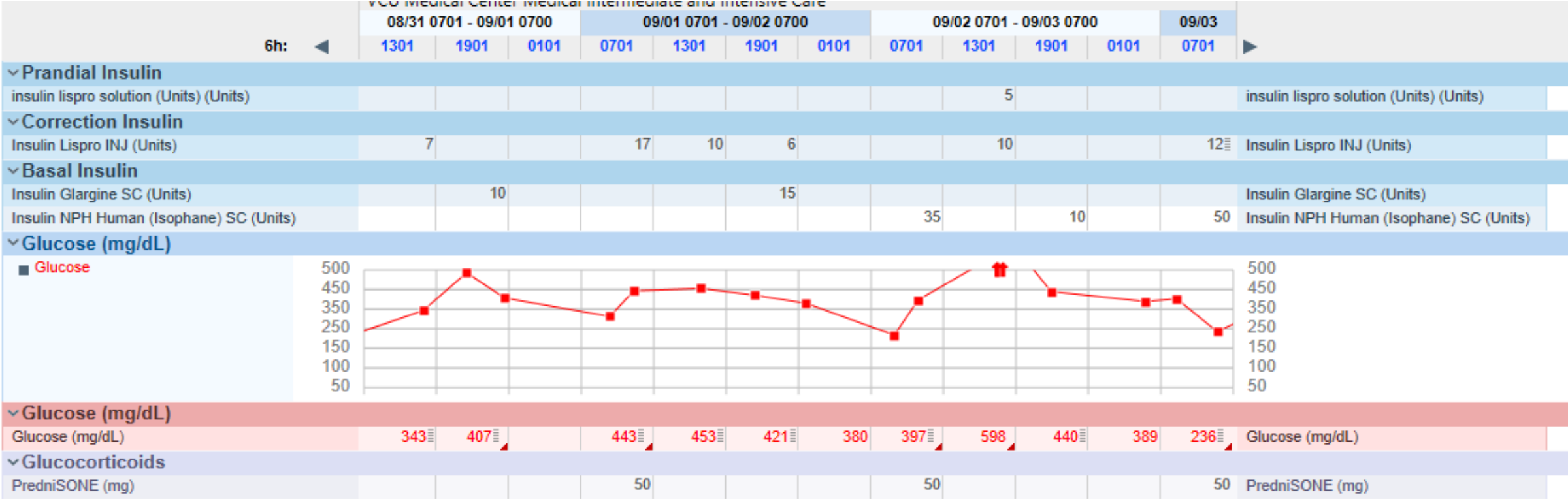
- Admitted for IPF flare, received IV methylprednisolone 60mg BID x 3 days, then 60mg x 1 day, then prednisone 50mg, to be followed by steroid taper after discharge:
  - Prednisone 50 mg 8/31 through 9/6
  - Prednisone 40 mg x 7 days
  - Prednisone 30 mg x 7 days
  - Prednisone 20 mg x 7 days
  - Prednisone 10 mg x 7 days
  - Prednisone 5 mg x 7 days
- T2DM x 15 years, on glyburide 2.5mg BID + metformin 1000mg BID, with A1c 5.8%, Cr 1.03, eGFR 78. Weight 115kg

# Started on insulin while inpatient, on steroids



*Questions / next steps?*

# Escalation in correction doses of insulin



Trial of NPH given at same time as prednisone, 0.1 units/kg per 10mg prednisone to max of 40 mg prednisone



# Post discharge

- Did require addition of low dose 10 units NPH in the evening
- Follow up phone call: fasting AM glucose 93, midday 182
- Recommendations: Stop bedtime dose NPH, advised prednisone and NPH should be given at the same time in the morning
- Starting 9/7: Prednisone 40mg: NPH 40 units in the morning.
- Starting 9/14: Prednisone 30mg: NPH 30 units in the morning
- Starting 9/21: Prednisone 20mg: NPH 20 units in the morning
- Starting 9/28: Prednisone 10mg: NPH 10 units in the morning
- Starting 10/5: Prednisone 5mg: Stop NPH
- Resumed metformin

*Questions / next steps?*

**Case 2:** 57-year-old lady with lupus, fibromyalgia, hypothyroidism, depression, Class 1 obesity, and type 2 diabetes

-->T2DM Diagnosed 3 years previously, preceded by gestational diabetes requiring insulin treatment only during pregnancy,

- Medications:
  - Farxiga (dapagliflozin) 10mg daily
  - Glipizide 10mg BID
  - Metformin 1000mg BID
- Context: Today's hemoglobin A1c 8.7%, progressed over the last few years,
- Patient does report previous significant improvement in glycemia when she lost 84 pounds by cutting out sugar sweetened beverages
- detailed glucose logs brought in, checking up to 4 times daily, and reports that she has had glucose values ranging from 100s–400s range

*Questions / next steps?*

## Case 2

- Discontinue glipizide,
- Continue Metformin and dapagliflozin,
- Start Trulicity (dulaglutide), 0.75 mg once weekly
- Instructed on use of insulin pen, in case we need to start insulin between now and next visit based on ongoing glucose review

*Questions / next steps?*

- Hospitalized 1 month later in DKA
- GAD-65 antibodies 4722u/mL (normal <5)
- ZnT8 antibodies >500 (negative <15)

# Questions?

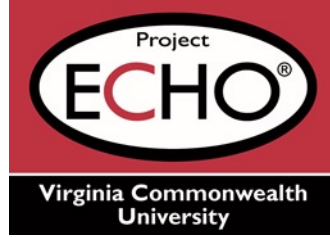


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- Feedback
  - Overall feedback related to session content and flow?
  - Ideas for guest speakers?

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## Network, Participate and Present

- Engage in a collaborative community with your peers.
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