



## New generation in basal insulins: safety and efficacy of glargine U300

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## Agenda

- Why do we need new basal insulins?
- Insulin glargine U300
  - Differences with glargine U100
  - Differences with degludec based on RCT

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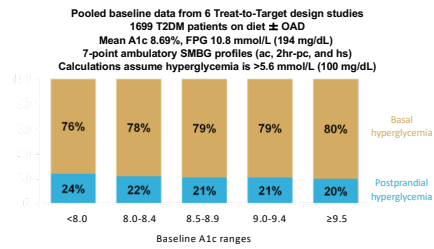
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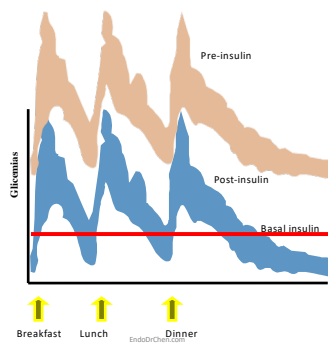
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### Basal and postprandial contributions to hyperglycemia by A1c range



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Riddle et al, Diabetes Care 34:2508-2514, 2011



### General thoughts

- Why clinical trials have not shown superiority of insulin analogues?
- Definition of 1 unit of insulin
- Study design
- Most of basal insulin studies have been designed to reach a fasting glucose target that is the same in both groups, therefore we would not expect a difference in HbA1c
- Difference would be safety!



### Introduction

- Unmet needs of actual basal insulins:
  - In some patients, it does not last 24 hours, some patients need a twice a day dosing, specially in T1DM
  - Variability in effect:
    - Insulin
    - device
  - Still some risk of hypoglycemia
  - Some patients need flexibility

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### Basal insulins

Insulin	Start time	Peak time	Duration
NPH	1-2 hours	5-7 hours	13-18 hours
Glargine U100	6-8 hours	---	20 hours
Glargine U300		A flatter effect	24 hours
Detemir		6-7 hours	12-20 hours
Degludec			40 hours

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### Second generation basal insulin analogues

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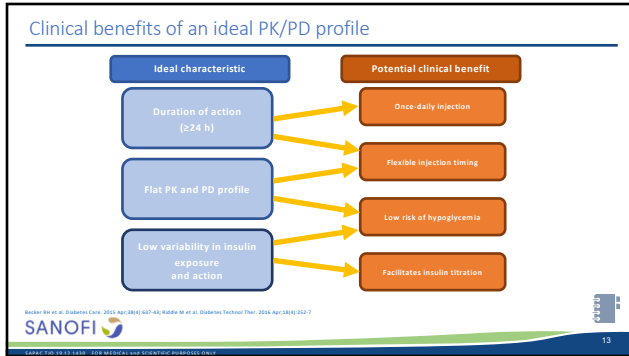
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Insulin degludec

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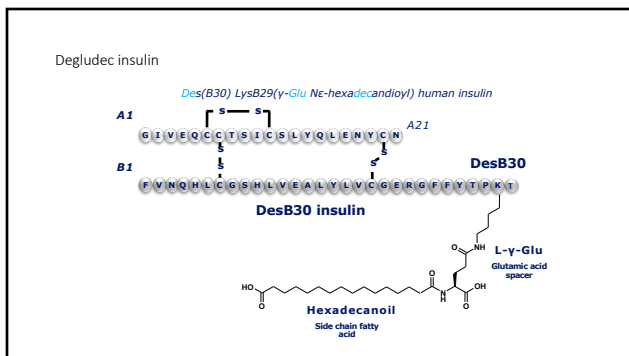
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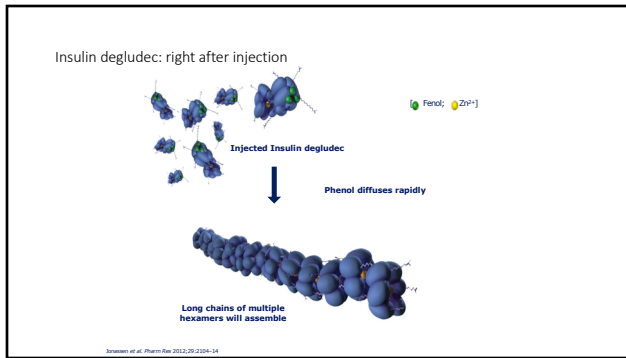
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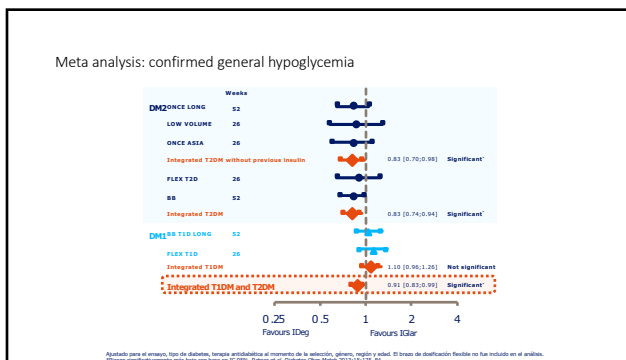
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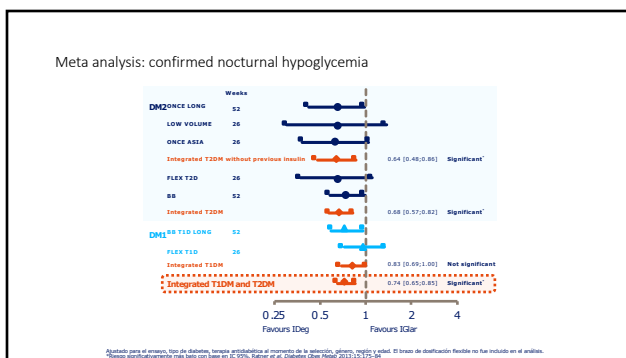
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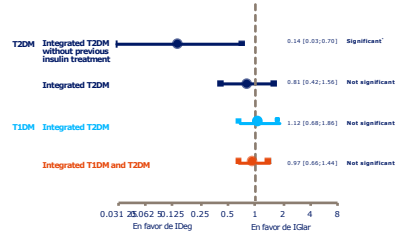
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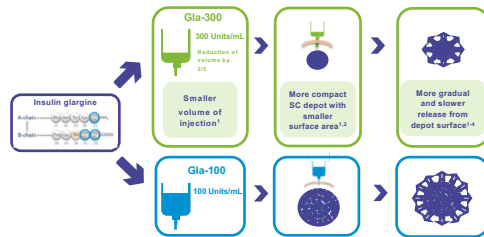
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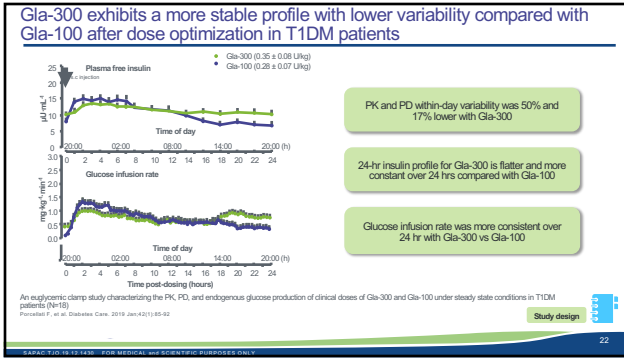
\*Significant point of analysis, favor de diabetes, tiempo antidiabético al comienzo de la insulina, régimen, región, país. \*\*Análisis de subgrupos basados en los datos de los estudios.

## Glargine U300

### Compact depot formation results in more gradual insulin release with Gla-300 vs Gla-100



1. Pothier J et al. Diabetes Metab Res Rev. 2016 Sep;32(5):479-90. 2. Adapted from Sirtori G et al. Expert Opin Ther Targets. 2014 Dec;14(12):1449-60. 3. Steinhilber A et al. Diabetes Obes Metab. 2014 Sep;16(9):873-6. 4. Becker RH et al. Diabetes Care. 2015 Apr;38(4):637-43.




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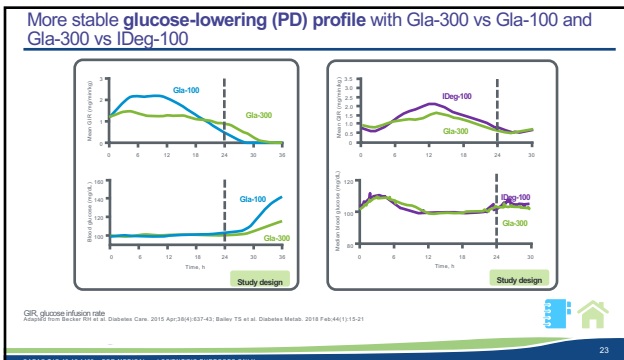
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**EDITION: CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM  
OF GLARGINE U300**

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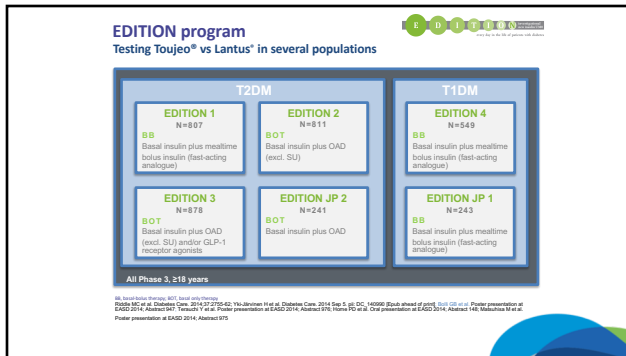
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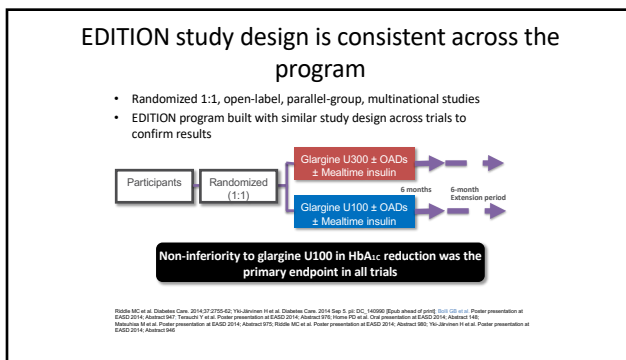
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**Basal insulin titration in EDITION 1, 2 & 3**

Glargine U300 was always given in the evening  
Titration steering committee was in place  
Adjustments at investigators' discretion for safety

Titration algorithm	
Median fasting SMPG from last 3 days in the range of:	Dose adjustment for glargine U100 or Glargine U300, U/day
≥140 mg/dL (≥7.8 mmol/L)	+6
>100 and <140 mg/dL (5.6–7.8 mmol/L)	+3
Glycemic target:	
80–100 mg/dL (4.4–5.6 mmol/L)	No change
≥60 and <80 mg/dL (3.3–4.4 mmol/L)	-3
<60 mg/dL (<3.3 mmol/L) or occurrence of ≥2 symptomatic or 1 severe hypoglycemia episode(s) in the preceding week	-3 or at investigator's discretion

- In EDITION 1 and 2, basal dose unchanged at entry unless two daily NPH injections were previously used, when dose was reduced by 20%

Data on file. EDITION 1 CSR pag 16, 27, 28; EDITION 2 CSR pag 16, 26, 28; EDITION 3 CSR pag 27, 28-32

8-point SMPG profiles

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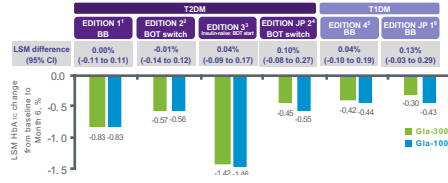
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## Consistently effective glycemic control

- Non-inferior change in HbA1c for Gla-300 vs Gla-100 at Month 6 in the EDITION program



Modified intention-to-treat population; BB, basal-bolus therapy; BOT, basal-oral therapy; CI, confidence interval; LSM, least squares mean

1. Riddle MC et al. Diabetes Care. 2014 Oct;37(10):2755-62. 2. Yu-Jiechen H et al. Diabetes Care. 2014 Dec;37(12):3228-32. 3. Ravi GB et al. Diabetes Care Month. 2015 Apr;38(4):588-94. 4. Tanaka Y et al. Diabetes Care Month. 2016 Apr;39(4):569-74 (main article and Supplementary Table 2). 5. Horta PD et al. Diabetes Care. 2015 Dec;38(12):2017-25. 6. Matsushita M et al. Diabetes Care Month. 2016 Apr;39(4):575-82 (main article and Supplementary Table 1).

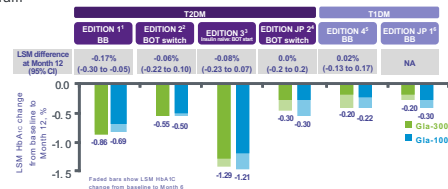
Study designs  
Baseline characteristics

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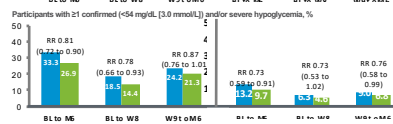
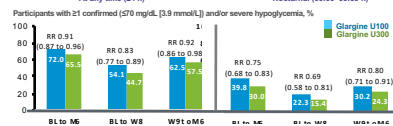
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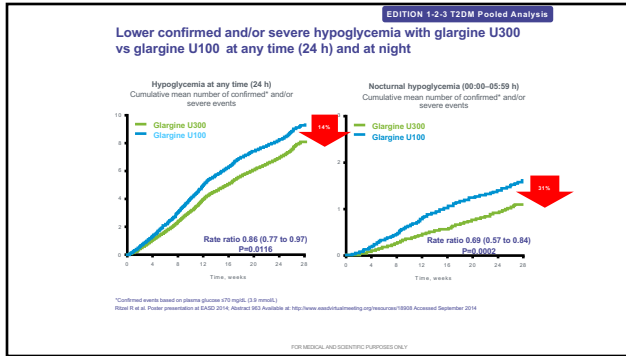
## Generally lower confirmed and/or severe hypoglycemia with Glargine U300 vs Glargine U100 at any time (24 h) and at night

At any time (24 h) Nocturnal (00:00-05:59 h)



Relative risk (95% CI)  
Ravi GB et al. Poster presentation at EASD 2014; Abstract 963 Available at: <http://www.abstractsonline.com/handbook/2014> Accessed September 2014

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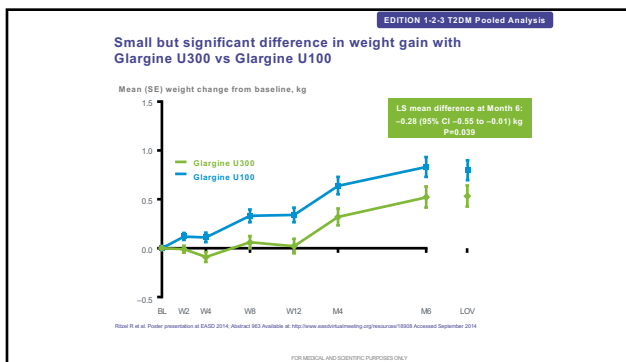
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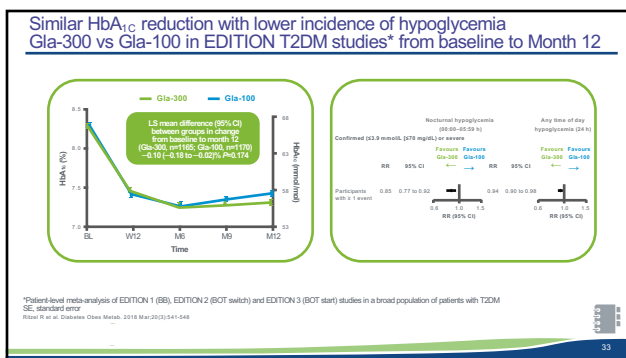
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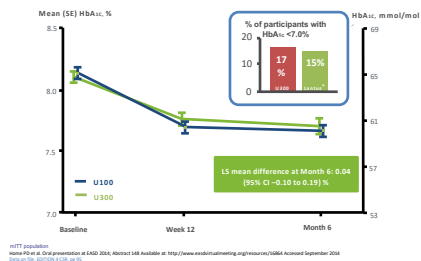
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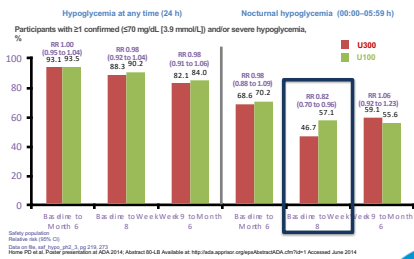
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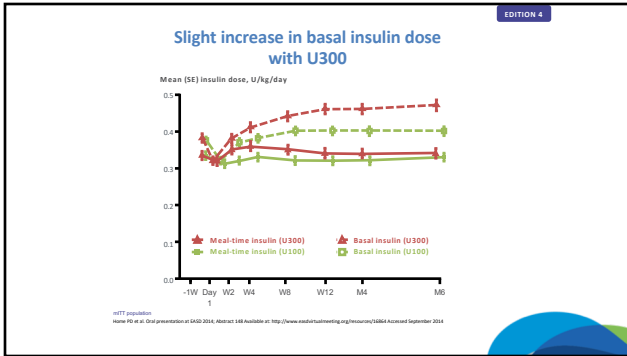
## TYPE 1 DIABETES: EDITION 4

U300 met the primary endpoint of non-inferiority to Lantus® for reduction in HbA<sub>1c</sub> at Month 6



Similar confirmed and/or severe hypoglycemia  
Lower nocturnal hypoglycemia with U300 vs U100 during the first 8 weeks






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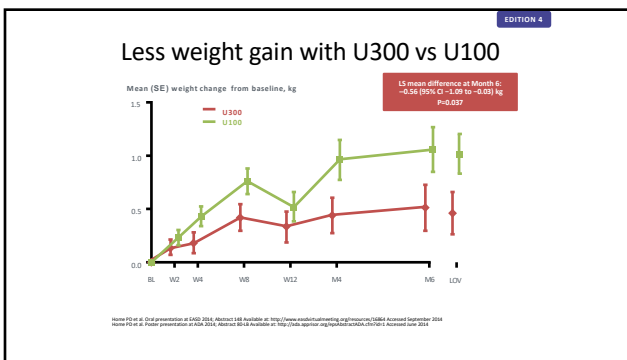
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**BENEFITS OF LONG DURATION OF ACTION:  
FLEXIBLE DOSING**

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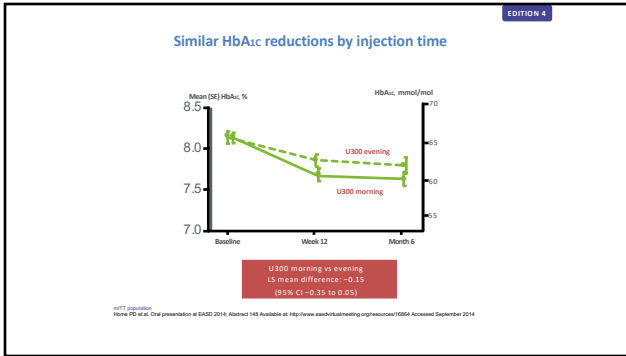
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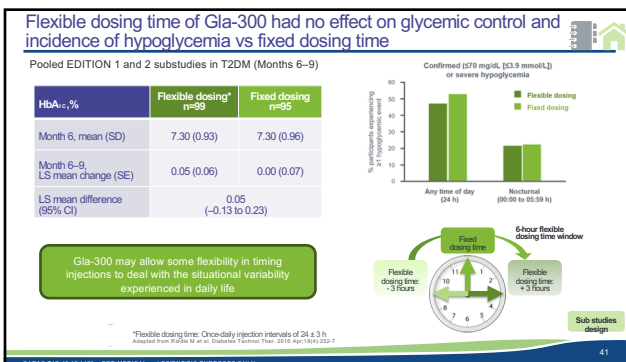
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**IF NEWER BASAL INSULIN LASTS FOR MORE THAN 24 HOURS, WILL THERE BE DOSE STACKING AND HYPOGLYCEMIA?**

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### Steady state

- Ensues after 4-5 half lives
- By definition, it is when the amount of a given drug is the same as the amount that is cleared
- With drugs that have a long half life, it will take a longer time to reach this steady state but there will be no dose stacking
  - Levothyroxine has a half life of 7 days!

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### Para una insulina con vida media de 24 horas

	Given dose	Amount that is circulating	Amount that is cleared	Amount that remains
Day 1	10	10	5	5
Day 2	10	15	7.5	7.5
Day 3	10	17.5	8.75	8.75
Day 4	10	18.75	9.37	9.37
Day 5	10	19.37	9.69	9.69
Day 6	10	19.69	9.84	9.84
Day 7	10	20	10	10
Day 8	10	20	10	10

Therefore... there is no stacking effect but it will take longer to reach the steady state. Blood glucose may take initially a longer time to decrease

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### Starting glargine U300 and dose titration

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Distribution of patients treated with basal insulin according to their FPG and Hba1c



1. Adasitillo-de Mota-Casas M, et al. *Journal of Diabetes* 9 (2016), 34–6.

Figure 2 is a line graph showing the mean HbA1c (%) over 24 months for various countries and targets. The Y-axis represents Mean HbA1c (%) from 6.0 to 10.0. The X-axis represents the Index date, with markers for 3 months, 6 months (Study time point), 12 months, and 24 months. The graph includes data for France (blue line with circles), Germany (green line with circles), Italy (pink line with circles), Spain (red line with circles), UK (black line with circles), and USA (grey line with circles). It also shows General HbA1c targets in the UK (dashed line), General HbA1c targets in France, Spain, USA (dashed line), and General HbA1c targets in Germany, Italy (dashed line). Red triangles indicate the 2015 and 2018 targets.

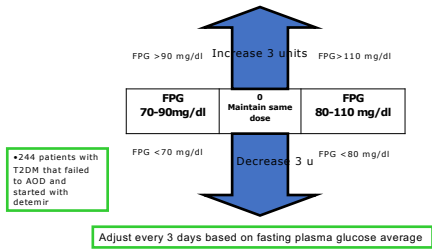
Country	Index date	3 months	6 months (Study time point)	12 months	24 months
France	~8.8	~8.2	~7.8	~7.5	~7.4
Germany	~9.2	~8.5	~8.0	~7.8	~7.6
Italy	~9.5	~8.8	~8.2	~7.9	~7.7
Spain	~9.8	~9.0	~8.4	~8.1	~7.9
UK	~10.0	~9.2	~8.6	~8.3	~8.1
USA	~10.2	~9.4	~8.8	~8.5	~8.3

Re: insulina basal, OAD, fármaco antidiabético oral, GLP-1-Ra, agonista del receptor del péptido 1 similar al glucagón

- Start with 10 u daily or 0.1-0.2 u/kg
- Due to their longer half life, it will take a longer time to reach steady state
- With the usual basal insulins (NPH, detemir, glargine U100), dose titration was recommended every 3 days
- With newer basal insulins (glargine U300, degludec), current recommendations are to titrate once weekly
  - BRIGHT: 80-100 mg/dl
  - CONCLUDE 70-90 mg/dl
- Usual target is between 90 and 120 mg/dl



### Basal insulin: dose adjustment

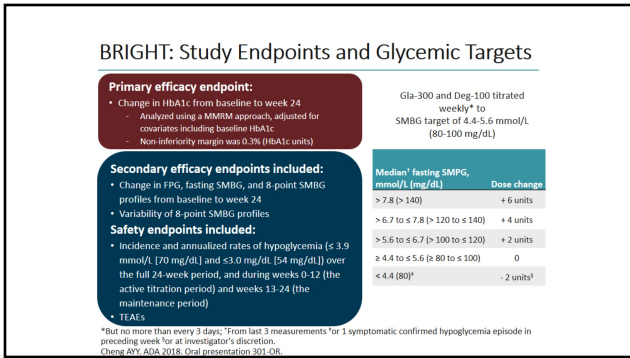
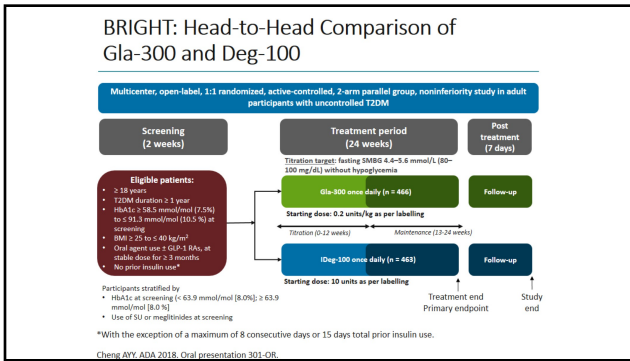
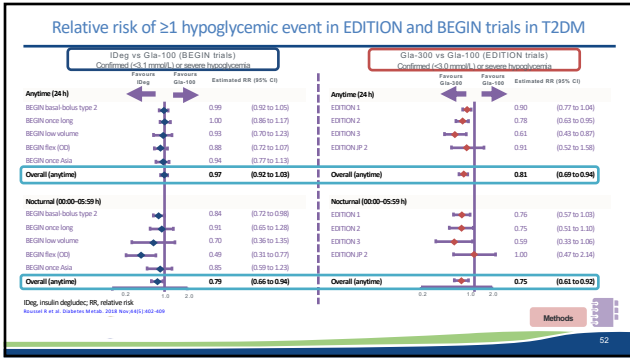


Diabetes Obes Metab. Jun 2009;11(6):623-631

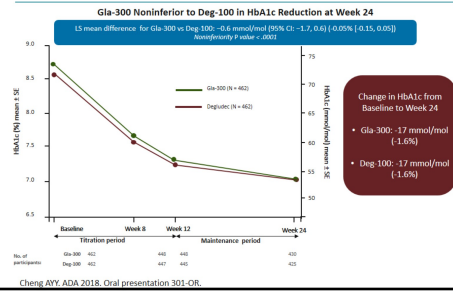
### Switching from other basal insulins

- If switching from another basal insulin analogue, keep the same dose (1:1 exchange)
- If switching from NPH, decrease the dose by 10-20% and titrate
- During the first few days, fasting glucose may rise a little
  - Tell the patients so they won't be scared!
  - Due to longer half lives needing more days to reach steady state
- Titrate once weekly

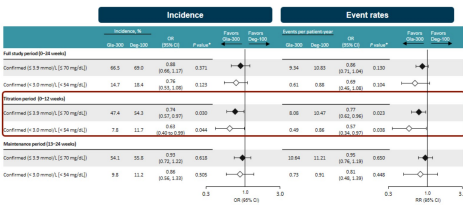
### COMPARISON BETWEEN GLARGINE U300 AND DEGLUDEC BASED ON RANDOMISED CONTROLLED TRIALS



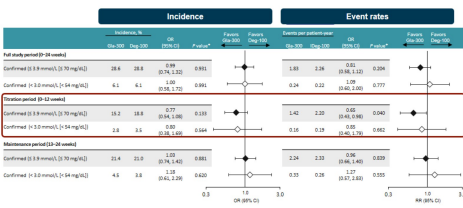
## BRIGHT: Primary Endpoint: Glycemic Control



## BRIGHT: Anytime (24 h) Hypoglycemia



## BRIGHT: Nocturnal (00:00–06:00 h) Hypoglycemia



BRIGHT: Insulin Dosage and Body Weight Over 24 Weeks

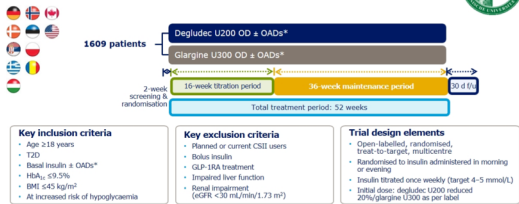
Mean Daily Insulin Dose					Mean Body Weight				
	Gla-300 (n = 462)		Deg-100 (n = 462)			Gla-300 (n = 462)		Deg-100 (n = 462)	
	Units	/kg	Units	/kg		Kg		Kg	
Initial	16.9 ± 4.4	0.19 ± 0.04	10.2 ± 1.9	0.12 ± 0.04	Initial	90.6 ± 16.1		88.7 ± 15.9	
Between-treatment difference at baseline	0.07 units/kg				Week 24	92.5 ± 16.6		91.4 ± 16.7	
Week 24	50.5 ± 25.6	0.54 ± 0.26	39.2 ± 23.3	0.43 ± 0.24	Change from baseline to week 24	2.0 ± 3.8 2.3 ± 3.6			
Between-treatment difference at week 24	0.11 units/kg								
Change from baseline to week 24	33.6 ± 24.4	0.36 ± 0.25	29.1 ± 23.3	0.31 ± 0.24	Data are mean ± SD				
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Cheng BYY ADA 2018, Oral presentation 301-06

CONCLUDE: DEGLUDEC VS GLARGINA U300

Trial design



\*Metformin, DPP-4 inhibitors, alpha-glucosidase inhibitor, thiazolidinediones and SGLT-2 inhibitors  
BMI, body mass index; CSII, continuous subcutaneous insulin infusion; DPP-4, dipeptidyl peptidase-4; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; glargine U300, insulin glargine 300 units/mL; GLP-1RA, glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist; OAD, oral antidiabetic drug; OD, once daily; SGLT-2, sodium-glucose co-transporter 2; T2D, type 2 diabetes. <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03079476>  
Phyllis Timkias et al. J Diabetes Sci Technol 2019;13:498-506

# Titration algorithm

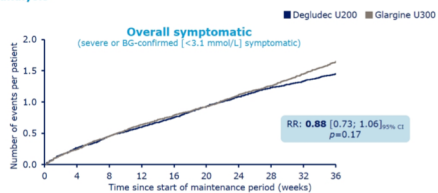


Pre-breakfast (fasting) SMBG*		Total daily dose adjustment of degludec U200 and glargine U300
mmol/L	mg/dL	Units
<3.1	<56	-4
3.1-3.9	56-70	-2
4.0-5.0	71-90	0
5.1-7.0	91-126	+2
7.1-8.0	127-144	+4
8.1-9.0	145-162	+6
>9.0	>162	+8

\*For dose increases the mean of 3 pre-breakfast SMBG measurements were used. For dose reductions the lowest SMBG measurement was used  
degludec U200, insulin glargine 300 units/mL; SMBG, self measured blood glucose



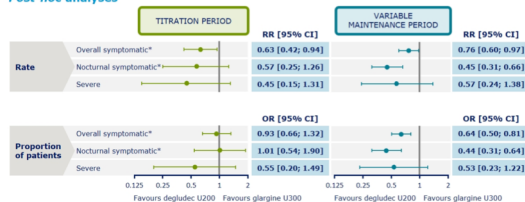
## Hypoglycaemia endpoints MAINTENANCE period – primary endpoint Prespecified analysis



BG, blood glucose; CI, confidence interval; glargine U300, insulin glargine 300 units/mL; RR, rate ratio



## Hypoglycaemia endpoints TITRATION and VARIABLE MAINTENANCE periods Post-hoc analyses



\*Event defined as severe (requiring third-party assistance) or blood glucose  $<3.1$  mmol/L, confirmed with symptoms. All nocturnal hypoglycaemia reported between 00:01 and 05:59  
CI, confidence interval; glargine U300, insulin glargine 300 units/mL; OR, odds ratio; RR, rate ratio



### How do we explain the different results?

- BRIGHT

- Sponsored by Sanofi
- Insulin naive patients
- Glargine U300 vs degludec
- Titration to 80-100 mg/dl
- Primary endpoint reached (non inferiority in HbA1c)
- Lower incidence of hypoglycemia during titration period favouring glargine U300 (safety endpoint)

- CONCLUDE

- Sponsored by Novo Nordisk
- Insulin users at high risk for hypoglycemia
- Glargine U300 vs degludec
- Titration to 70-90 mg/dl
- No difference in primary endpoint (overall hypoglycemia) but a difference was seen during maintenance period favouring degludec

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### SPECIAL POPULATIONS: CHILDREN, SENIORS AND RENAL FAILURE

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#### EDITION Junior:

6-month, multicenter, randomized, open-label, 2-arm, parallel-group study comparing the efficacy and safety of Gla-300 and Gla-100 in children and adolescents age 6-17 years with T1D with a 6-month safety extension period

Dennis T. et al. Pediatr Diabetes 2019;20(Suppl 20):P240. <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT02735044> (Last accessed October 11, 2019).  
NNe:Gla-300, insulin glargine 300 U/mL; Gla-100, insulin glargine 100 U/mL; T1D, type 1 diabetes mellitus

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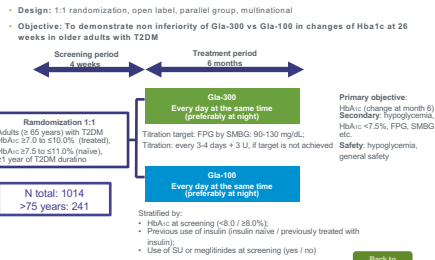
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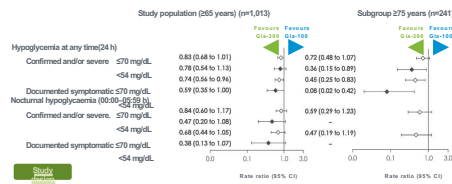


### SENIOR: Study design



### Comparable glucose control and lower documented symptomatic hypoglycemia with Gla-300 vs Gla-100 in older patients with T2DM

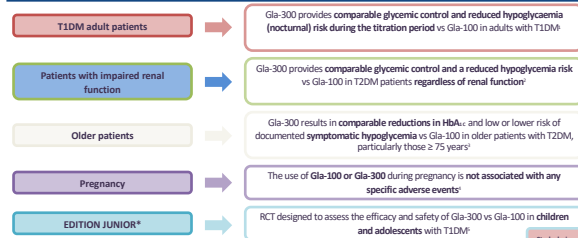
- In SENIOR RCT, Gla-300 was effective in older adults (>65 years) with low documented symptomatic hypoglycemia vs Gla-100, specially in ≥75 years<sup>1</sup>



RCT: randomized controlled trial; HbA<sub>1c</sub>: hemoglobin A<sub>1c</sub>; FPG: fasting plasma glucose; SMBG: self-monitored blood glucose; SU: sulfonylurea; meglitinides: meglitinides.

1. Yoon KH et al. *Diabetes Care* 2019;42:1000-1007. Abstract 405.2. Yoon KH et al. *Diabetes Care* 2019;42:1000-1007. Abstract 405.2.

### Key messages: various populations



\*Gla-300 is only indicated in adults. Risk criteria for developing hypoglycemia: 1. Experienced at least 1 severe hypoglycemic episode within the past year; 2. Moderate chronic renal failure (estimated glomerular filtration rate of 30-59 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>); 3. Hypoglycemic symptoms unawareness; 4. Exposure to insulin for longer than 5 years or 5. Age episode of hypoglycemia (symptoms and/or blood glucose level <70 mg/dL) within the last 12 weeks.

Source: Yoon KH et al. *Diabetes Care* 2019;42:1000-1007. Abstract 405.2. Yoon KH et al. *Diabetes Care* 2019;42:1000-1007. Abstract 405.2. Yoon KH et al. *Diabetes Care* 2019;42:1000-1007. Abstract 405.2. Yoon KH et al. *Diabetes Care* 2019;42:1000-1007. Abstract 405.2.



### Conclusions

- Insulin glargine U300 has a longer duration of action compared to glargine U100
- Lower rate of hypoglycemia (<70 mg/dl) specially during the first 8 weeks of treatment
  - Similar Hba1c
  - A slightly higher insulin requirement
  - Lower body weight
- Safety profile similar to glargine U100

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