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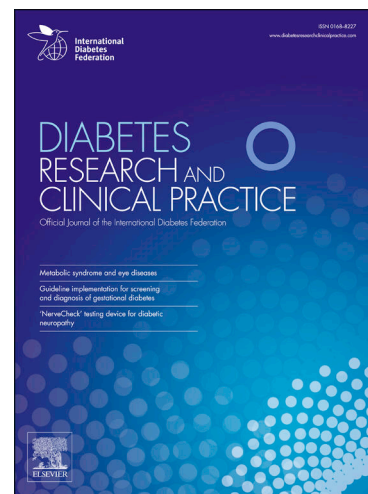
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Abstract

Prevalence of type 1 diabetes mellitus (T1DM) is globally continuously increasing. T1DM is accompanied by a high risk of developing cardiovascular and renal comorbidities and is one of the leading causes of end-stage renal disease (ESRD).

However, current therapeutic approaches for chronic and/or diabetic kidney disease (CKD/DKD) existed for a long time, and offer room for improvement, particularly in T1DM. In 2019, the European Medicines Agency (EMA) approved a first sodium/glucose co-transporter 2 inhibitor (SGLT-2i) and a first dual SGLT-1/-2i to improve glycaemic control, as an adjunctive treatment to insulin in persons with T1DM and a body mass index ≥ 27 kg/m². Of note, SGLT-1/2is and SGLT-2is are not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as an adjunct treatment in T1DM, nor approved for the treatment of CKD or DKD by EMA and FDA.

SGLTis have shown to mediate different renoprotective effects in type 2 diabetes mellitus in corresponding cardiovascular and renal outcome trials. First efficacy trials offer insights into potential positive effects on renal function and kidney disease of SGLTis in T1DM. This review summarizes and discusses latest available data on SGLT inhibition and provides an update on the nephrological perspective on SGLTis, specifically in T1DM.

Keywords:

Diabetes; Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus; SGLT Inhibition; SGLT-2 inhibitor; Kidney disease; Diabetic kidney disease; Renal effects

Abbreviations:

ACE-2, angiotensin-converting-enzyme-2; ACEi, angiotensin-converting-enzyme inhibitor; AGEs, advanced glycosylation end-products; ARBs, angiotensin receptor blockers; BMI, body mass index; BP, blood pressure; Cana100/300, canagliflozin 100mg / 300mg; CI, confidence interval; CKD, chronic kidney disease; CV, cardiovascular; CVD, cardiovascular disease; CVOTs, cardiovascular outcome trials; Dapa5/10, dapagliflozin 5mg / 10mg; DBP, diastolic blood pressure; DEPICT, Dapagliflozin Evaluation in Patients with Inadequately Controlled Type 1 Diabetes; DKA, diabetic ketoacidosis; DKD, diabetic kidney disease; DM, diabetes mellitus; DPV, German Diabetes Prospective Follow-up Registry; EASE, Empagliflozin as Adjunctive to inSulin thErapy, EASE-program; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; EMA, European Medicines Agency; Empa10/25, empagliflozin 10mg / 25mg; ESRD, end-stage renal disease; FDA, U.S. Food and Drug Administration; FGF-21, fibroblast growth factor 21; GBM, glomerular basement membrane; HbA1c, glycated haemoglobin A1c; HR, hazard ratio; IR, insulin resistance; IU, international unit; LSM, least square matching; NaCl, sodium chloride; NALFD, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease; ND-CKD, non-diabetic chronic kidney disease; Nrf2, nuclear factor erythroid 2-related factor 2; RAGE, receptor for advanced glycosylation end-products; RAS, renin-angiotensin-system; RCT, randomized controlled trial; ROS, reactive oxygen species; SBP, systolic blood pressure; SE, standard error; SGLT-1/-2is, dual sodium/glucose co-transporter 1 and -2 inhibitors; SGLT-2, sodium/glucose co-transporter 2; SGLT-2is, sodium/glucose co-transporter 2 inhibitors; SGLTs, sodium/glucose co-transporters; Sota400, sotagliflozin 400mg; STAT1, signal transducer and activator of transcription 1; T1DM, type 1 diabetes mellitus; T1DX, U.S. Type 1 Diabetes Exchange Registry; T2DM, type 2 diabetes mellitus; TF, tubuloglomerular feedback; TGF-beta, transforming growth factor beta 1; TIR, time in range; UACR, urinary albumin-to-creatinine ratio; WHO, world health organization

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1. Background

The number of persons burdened with type 1 diabetes mellitus (T1DM) increases every year. A current global approximation estimates around 1.1 million existing cases of T1DM in children and adolescents (0-19 years) with an estimated overall annual increase of around 3%, yet with substantial geographic variance¹. Worldwide, a large proportion (10% - 67%) of end-stage renal disease (ESRD) is attributable to diabetes mellitus (DM)¹ and epidemiological data suggest that 2% - 12% of persons with T1DM ultimately may develop ESRD, as illustrated later.

Sodium/glucose co-transporter 2 (SGLT-2) inhibitors (SGLT-2is) have demonstrated cardiovascular (CV) and renal benefit in their corresponding cardiovascular outcome trials (CVOTs) in type 2 diabetes (T2DM), an effect mainly beyond their glucose-lowering capabilities in T2DM²⁻⁵. First efficacy trial programs with SGLT-2is as an adjunct therapy to insulin in T1DM have provided insights on glycaemic efficacy as well as safety and feasibility of use of SGLT-2is in T1DM⁶⁻⁹, along with one dual SGLT-1/-2 inhibitor¹⁰. Based on the DEPICT-⁷⁻⁹ and Tandem-trials¹⁰⁻¹², the European Medicines Agency (EMA) approved the SGLT-2i dapagliflozin¹³ and the dual SGLT-1/-2i sotagliflozin¹⁴, respectively, as an adjunct therapy to insulin in T1DM in 2019, *“when insulin alone does not provide adequate control of their blood glucose levels despite optimal insulin therapy”*^{13,14}. In addition, *“patients should not have a body mass index (BMI) below 27 kg/m²”*^{13,14}. In this review, we aim to highlight the nephrological perspective of SGLT-inhibition from a T1DM point of view, addressing the question if SGLT-inhibition also conveys renal benefits in T1DM.

1.1 T1DM and DKD – Epidemiology and Risk Factors

Lifetime risk for DKD in T1DM has been estimated very high (≥50% - 70%) in some early studies with cohorts of participants with older age^{15,16}, while other, more recent and conservative studies estimate an overall prevalence of diabetic kidney disease (DKD) of around 25% - 30%¹⁷. In any case, DKD is a major cause of premature mortality in T1DM^{18,19}. Generally speaking microalbuminuria is the earliest clinical manifestation of DKD in many but not in all cases, and has a cumulative lifetime incidence of around 50% - 60% in T1DM^{20,21}. An estimated 25% of persons with microalbuminuria and T1DM may ultimately progress to ESRD²⁰. However, some publications express a note of caution, stating that the high prevalence of DKD in T1DM may be attributable not only to DKD but also to non-diabetic chronic kidney disease (ND-CKD) or a combination of DKD and ND-CKD – reliably distinguishable only by kidney biopsy. However, kidney biopsies are too rarely performed in individuals with DM²². In a recent study from Norway which followed 7871 individuals with T1DM for up to 42 years, a rather low incidence of ESRD was observed: in fact, the incidence of ESRD was 0.7% after 20 years of diabetes duration, 2.9% after 30 years, and 5.3% after 40 years²³. Overall, only 103 individuals (1.3%) developed ESRD, with a

mean time from diabetes diagnosis to development of ESRD of 25.9 years²³. A limitation of this observational study, however, was that the definition of ESRD was only based on the initiation of dialysis or transplantation due to chronic renal failure, as data on estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) were not available. In comparison, data from the U.S. estimated an incidence of ESRD of 9.3% - 11.3% 25 years after the T1DM diagnosis^{24,25}, data from Finland demonstrated an incidence of around 7.0% - 7.8% 30 years after the T1DM diagnosis^{26,27} and data from Sweden showed a cumulative incidence of around 5.6% after up to 38 years of T1DM duration²⁸.

Risk factors for DKD are multifarious and include (1) susceptibility factors like age, race/ethnicity, sex and genetic risk factors, (2) initiation factors like hyperglycaemia, and (3) progression factors like hypertension or obesity²⁹. A recent follow-up study¹⁶ of the DCCT/EDIC trial demonstrated that, at 30 years of follow-up, a decline in eGFR and the presence of macroalbuminuria were the most important risk factors for the development of ESRD¹⁶. In the DCCT/EDIC trial, 15% of the participants developed a combination of macroalbuminuria and eGFR decline and 25% developed either macroalbuminuria or eGFR decline, 30 years after the T1DM diagnosis¹⁶. A recent nationwide multi-centre study from Finland reported that around 2% of T1DM cases showed non-albuminuric DKD at baseline, yet, associated with a heightened risk of cardiovascular disease (CVD) and all-cause mortality but not ESRD³⁰. Of note, the majority of these individuals were female and elderly. Other single-centre and hospital-based studies reported that up to 10% of individuals with T1DM manifest with continuously declining GFR in the absence of macroalbuminuria^{21,31}. In the DCCT/EDIC follow-up study, macroalbuminuria and the decline in eGFR were often not concordant, only 52% of the participants with decline in eGFR also developed macroalbuminuria¹⁶. Thus, a decline in eGFR and macroalbuminuria may not always be considered sequential steps in the pathogenesis of DKD, but also as independently degenerating conditions with different origin³¹⁻³⁴. When stratifying baseline characteristics of the DCCT/EDIC participants to presence or absence of incident macroalbuminuria, the major risk factors were being in the conventional therapy group (HR 2.211; 95% CI 1.636-2.989; $p < 0.0001$) and elevated HbA1c (HbA1c of 8.5% vs 9.7%; HR 1.429; 95% CI 1.324-1.541; $p < 0.0001$) accordingly, hypertension (HR 2.098; 95% CI 1.074-4.097; $p = 0.03$), male sex (HR 2.014; 95% CI 1.488-2.726; $p < 0.0001$), elevated triglycerides (71 mg/dL vs. 86 mg/dL; HR 1.171 per 20% increase; 95% CI 1.113-1.233; $p < 0.0001$), and age at baseline (adult vs. adolescent, HR 0.515; 95% CI 0.367-0.724; $p = 0.0001$)¹⁶. Along this line, it was also observed in various other studies that the risk of ESRD is lower in persons who become diagnosed with T1DM before the age of 10 years^{23,26,35}. Un- or minimally-adjusted time-dependent models of the DCCT/EDIC cohort demonstrated that, when adjusted for age, updated mean HbA1c, sex, lipids, and blood pressure (BP), daily insulin dose and any progression in retinopathy correlated strongly with the risk of incident macroalbuminuria, while BP, lipids, use of antihypertensive or lipid-lowering medication, the duration of T1DM, albumin excretion rate, retinopathy and glycaemia were associated

with elevated risk of incident decline in eGFR¹⁶. The authors conclude that higher long-term cumulative glycaemic exposure was the strongest independent risk factor for incident macroalbuminuria and reduced eGFR, followed by higher triglyceride levels and higher BP¹⁶.

1.2 Pathology of DKD in T1DM and the Role of SGLTs

The pathology of DKD is better characterized in T1DM, compared to T2DM. Generally speaking, critical features of DKD are enduringly elevated albuminuria of >300 mg/24h (macroalbuminuria) or an urinary albumin-to-creatinine ratio (UACR) of >300 mg/g, and/or a progressive loss of eGFR (eGFR <60 ml/min/1.73m², corresponding to moderate to severe CKD stage 3 and below), with concomitant diabetic retinopathy and/or lack of other forms of kidney disease^{16,36}. The pathology of DKD in DM is reviewed and compared to ND-CKD in detail elsewhere²². Key elements of DKD pathology are early changes such as hyperfiltration, an exaggerated reabsorption of glucose and sodium chloride (NaCl) in the proximal tubule, and hypertrophy of the glomerular tuft and capsule, as well as an elongation of the proximal tubule²². In the Diabetes Control and Complications Trial (DCCT)/Epidemiology of Diabetes Interventions and Complications study, early hyperfiltration in persons with T1DM was, however, not associated with a higher long-term risk of decreased GFR³⁷. The mentioned variations of kidney physiology are subsequently accompanied by later and enduring changes such as thickening of the glomerular basement membrane (GBM), haemodynamic changes, reduction of the tubulo-glomerular feedback (TF) and an over-activation of the renin-angiotensin-system (RAS), accompanied by renal ischaemia, abnormal cell signalling, local inflammatory signalling and processes, podocyte injury and subsequent loss, nephron loss and CKD progression, ultimately resulting in renal failure²². When focussing on the role of hyperglycaemia and sodium/glucose co-transporters (SGLTs) in the initiation and progression of kidney disease, several features need consideration. SGLT-2 is mainly expressed in the S1/S2 segment of the proximal tubule, while SGLT-1 is predominantly expressed in the small intestine and the late S2/S3 segment of the proximal tubule, as well as in some other tissues³⁸. In the kidney, SGLT-2 is responsible for the majority (ca. 97%) of glucose reabsorption³⁹, however, SGLT-1 may exhibit substantial compensatory activity of up to 50% if SGLT-2 is blocked³⁸. In individuals with diabetes, the maximal reabsorptive capacity of glucose in the kidneys was shown to be increased by up to 20%, largely driven by SGLT-2 mediated glucose-reabsorption³⁹, thus also increasing NaCl-reabsorption correspondingly. This reduces the downstream available NaCl to the macula densa, thereby dysregulating the tubulo-glomerular feedback, resulting in afferent vasodilation and increased glomerular pressure and finally glomerular hyperperfusion and hyperfiltration^{40,41}. In addition, it has been confirmed that the metabolism of a diabetic kidney requires more oxygen compared to a healthy system as a secondary active transport process driving apical glucose uptake via SGLT-2s depends on basolateral Na⁺/K⁺-ATPase activity, thus resulting in intrarenal hypoxia^{42,43}. Once established,

hyperfiltration further increases energy and thus oxygen demand by enhancing renal Na⁺/K⁺-ATPase activity⁴².

1.3 Unmet medical need in T1DM from a nephrological perspective

Globally, DKD is a major cause of ESRD in individuals with T1DM⁴⁴ and in some countries even the leading footing for ESRD⁴⁵. The unmet need in DKD in T1DM is manifold:

First, the natural history of DKD is characterized by a long period without apparent clinical symptoms²⁰. As significant compensation occurs, when an eGFR of <60 ml/min/1.73m² is reached, already up to 50% of renal function may be lost and modifications of renal structures well established²⁰. It has been demonstrated that already moderate CKD (stage 3 onwards, corresponding to eGFR <60 ml/min/1.73m²) increases the risk of cardiovascular disease and premature mortality⁴⁶.

Second, DKD and subsequent development of ESRD contributes to higher mortality rates in T1DM. Furthermore, it was demonstrated by the Finnish Diabetic Nephropathy (FinnDiane) Study that the presence and severity of chronic kidney disease predicts all-cause mortality in T1DM¹⁹. The study clearly showed, that subjects with micro- or macroalbuminuria or hyper- or hypofiltration (>120 or <60 ml/min/1.73m²) have decreased survival rates¹⁹.

Third, while it has been thought for quite some time that the development of microalbuminuria is an early and implicit sign of DKD, it has been shown that it does indeed not seem to be a ubiquitously reliable marker for DKD. For example, in a study with 386 persons with T1DM and persistent microalbuminuria at baseline, in a 6 year follow-up period, only 19% progressed to overt proteinuria, while 59% regressed to normoalbuminuria²¹. Accordingly, it has been suggested that many individuals can follow a non-albuminuric pathway to renal dysfunction⁴⁷, as also discussed above. A recent study elucidated that, for both types of diabetes, persons who enter CKD stage 3 and are normo- and microalbuminuric at baseline have similar risk for kidney disease progression, while persons with macroalbuminuria have a comparably increased risk⁴⁶. Thus, reliable *early* markers for the detection of DKD are needed.

Fourth, despite a variety of investigated promising treatment options, none have really met desired and needed expectations yet. The current standard is the inhibition of the RAA-system using angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors (ACEis) or angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs)²⁰. However, RAAS inhibition is unable to prevent the development of DKD in T1DM⁴⁶, as also demonstrated by larger trials such as the RASS-⁴⁸ and the AddIT-trials⁴⁹. In addition, combined use of ACEis and ARBs or direct renin-inhibition have failed to meet expectations, as observed in multiple trials in T2DM such as ONTARGET⁵⁰ or ALTITUDE⁵¹. In the ALTITUDE trial, the addition of a direct renin inhibitor (aliskiren) to the standard therapy with RAA-system inhibition increased significantly the risk for hyperkalemia and hypotension⁵¹. However, all of these trials with large cohorts have been conducted in T2DM and,

currently, no large randomized clinical trials are available in T1DM. Also, in the context of DKD in T2DM, other formally promising strategies like selective endothelin receptor-A antagonists (e.g. the SONAR trial⁵²) or modulators of the Nuclear factor erythroid 2-related factor 2 (Nrf2)⁵³ did not yield promising results. In the SONAR trial, fluid retention and anaemia adverse events occurred more frequently in the group treated with the endothelin receptor-A antagonist than in the placebo group⁵². The administration of activators of the Nrf2 led to a higher rate of cardiovascular events in persons with T2DM and stage 4 chronic kidney disease in comparison to the placebo group⁵³. Some glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1) receptor agonists (GLP-1 RAs) have demonstrated moderate effects on renal function, reflected mainly in a reduction of (macro-)albuminuria, in their respective CVOTs⁵⁴. However, so far, no data from dedicated renal trials for GLP-1 RAs in T1DM or T2DM are available. Another promising treatment approach for DKD are mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists, with first trials in DKD currently being conducted in T2DM⁵⁵⁻⁵⁷. In regard to CKD both selective (eplerenone) and non-selective (spironolactone) aldosterone antagonists reduced proteinuria and blood pressure in adults, who had mild to moderate CKD and were treated with ACEis or ARBs (or both), but increased hyperkalaemia and gynaecomastia⁵⁸. In another study, the addition of eplerenone to an ACEi in persons with T2DM resulted in a significant reduction in albuminuria as measured by UACR. The extent of hyperkalaemia was found to be eplerenone dose-dependent⁵⁹. Also, Vitamin D has been shown to have an effect on diabetic nephropathy⁶⁰. The intramuscular application of Vitamin D (50000 IU, monthly for 6 months) reduced urine albumin, serum creatinine, and renin levels in individuals with DKD⁶¹. In another study, the administration of Vitamin D receptor activator calcitriol combined with RAAS inhibitors had an additional beneficial effect in lowering albuminuria in T2DM and DKD⁶².

Fifth, metabolic syndrome and often associated overweight, inflammation, reduced insulin sensitivity and non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NALFD) is also increasingly documented in persons with T1DM and has been linked to the initiation and progression of micro- and macrovascular comorbidities^{20,63}. One study demonstrated a positive correlation between decreased insulin sensitivity and the development of microalbuminuria and rapid eGFR decline in persons with T1DM⁶⁴. While the reasons for reduced insulin sensitivity in T1DM are not entirely clear²⁰, it seems in this context noteworthy that the number of persons with T1DM, who are overweight/obese and in addition develop the metabolic syndrome or “double diabetes” seems to increase continuously and is currently under-recognized. It was demonstrated in several studies that persons with T1DM who are obese are insulin resistant and have a higher CV risk profile, compared to non-obese individuals with T1DM, as also true for T2DM or the general population⁶⁵. Effects of obesity in T1DM have been extensively reviewed elsewhere⁶⁶. Several studies and registries estimating the prevalence of obesity in T1DM reached similar conclusions: for example, in a combined analysis of the U.S. T1D Exchange Registry (T1DX) and the German Diabetes Prospective Follow-up (DPV) registry with an overall of 32,936 participants⁶⁷, a

total of 24% of participants was found overweight and 12% obese, according to WHO standards⁶⁷. This is mirrored in an international multicentre diabetes registry study participating in the SWEET prospective - 23,026 children with T1DM were analysed and an overall prevalence of overweight/obesity of a little over 30% was determined⁶⁵. In a smaller cross-sectional study including 284 persons with T1DM in a Swedish diabetes clinic, an overall prevalence of 17% for abdominal obesity was revealed, related to an increased risk of dyslipidaemia, a HbA1c >8.6%, CV complications, and a reduced likelihood to reach treatment goals⁶⁸. Similarly, the combined analysis of the T1DX and DPV found a significant increase of HbA1c in obese individuals, as well as a significant increase of persons with severe hypoglycaemic events with increasing BMI⁶⁷. In addition, while there is variability in the definition of the metabolic syndrome in individuals with T1DM, and the concept is more often driven by the presence of hypertension than central obesity in contrast to persons with T2DM and the general population⁶⁹, it has been shown that not only obesity but also the occurrence of components of the “metabolic syndrome” increases strongly in individuals with T1DM. Consequently, a recent study reported as much as 25.5% of persons with T1DM to also present with the “metabolic syndrome” (defined as obesity, hypertension, and/or dyslipidaemia)^{70,69}. This has to be a major concern, as it has been demonstrated that outcomes such as diabetic nephropathy, CVD and mortality are augmented in persons with the “metabolic syndrome” and T1DM⁷¹. Furthermore, increased prevalence of obesity will most likely also impact the prevalence of concomitant NALFD in T1DM. Current estimates of the prevalence of NALFD in T1DM vary considerably and start at around 12% in adults⁶⁶. As expected, the presence of NALFD in T1DM has been shown to be accompanied by insulin resistance (IR) and high complication rates⁶⁶. Thus, in summary, an increasing prevalence of obesity, NALFD and IR in T1DM, for which the reasons are manifold and often not entirely clear yet, may impose diabetes management in T1DM with significant additional challenges, as it can be assumed that effects will be detrimental, as true for the general population.

2. Available outcomes: risk-factors management and surrogate renal outcomes from SGLT-inhibitor trials in T1DM

Currently, best available data for renal outcomes with SGLT-inhibition in T2DM stem from the CREDENCE² trial in T2DM. Individuals with an eGFR ranging from 30 to <90 ml/min/1.73m² and an UACR between >300 and 5000 mg/g were included. The risk of the primary composite outcome and its components doubling of serum creatinine level (i.e. 57% reduction in eGFR), incidence of ESRD (by eGFR <15 ml/min/1.73m² and initiation of dialysis or kidney transplantation), renal or cardiovascular death was significantly reduced. Furthermore, the composite secondary outcome of ESRD, doubling of serum creatinine, or renal death was significantly reduced².

There are no (large) clinical trials reporting renal outcomes of SGLT-2is as an adjunct therapy in T1DM. So far, all SGLT-2i trials in T1DM have been safety and efficacy trials and have only provided some understanding of the effects of SGLT-2is on risk factor management in T1DM. So far, trial programs for empagliflozin (Empagliflozin as Adjunctive to inSulin thErapy, EASE-program ^{6,72}), dapagliflozin (Dapagliflozin Evaluation in Patients with Inadequately Controlled Type 1 Diabetes, DEPICT-program ^{7,9,73}), and sotagliflozin (inTandem-program ¹⁰⁻¹²), as well as a phase II trial for canagliflozin ⁷⁴ investigated the effects of SGLT-inhibitors as an adjunct treatment in T1DM.

In the EASE-program, empagliflozin 10 mg and 25 mg (Empa10 and Empa25) both significantly improved glycaemic control: mean HbA1c reductions, adjusted to placebo and after 26 weeks was dose-dependent and up to -0.54% ($p < 0.0001$). The strongest, placebo-corrected HbA1c reduction after 52 weeks was observed in EASE-2 with a -0.45% reduction with Empa25 ⁶. Concomitant, a significant increase of time-in-range (TIR) of up to 3.1 hours/day ($p < 0.0001$ for Empa25) was observed. In addition, decreases in body weight (up to -3.6kg, $p < 0.0001$), SBP (up to -4.7 mmHg, $p < 0.0001$), and DBP (up to -2.3 mmHg, $p < 0.0001$), all for Empa25 were observed ⁶. No renal endpoints were assessed, since the adverse renal events were scarce, dose-dependent and comparable to placebo (1, 4, and 3 events for Empa10, Empa25, and placebo, respectively) ⁶. Renal outcomes, also for T1DM, will be investigated in the dedicated kidney trial EMPA-KIDNEY ⁷⁵.

In the DEPICT-trials, dose-dependent, placebo-corrected mean HbA1c-reductions of up to -0.42% (95% CI -0.53 to -0.30; $p < 0.0001$ for the 10 mg dose dapagliflozin [Dapa10]) in the 24-week DEPICT-2 trial ⁷³, and up to -0.45 (95% CI -0.58 to -0.31; $p < 0.0001$ for Dapa10) in the 24-week DEPICT-1 trial ⁹ were observed, which were sustained with a mean, adjusted HbA1c reduction of up to -0.36% (Dapa10) in the 52-week DEPICT-1 trial ⁷. This was, in both trials, accompanied by a significant increase of TIR, compared to placebo, by up to 10.7% ($p < 0.0001$ for Dapa10) in both 24-week DEPICT-1/-2 trials ^{9,73}. Body weight was significantly reduced in both trials for both doses of dapagliflozin, by up to -3.74% (95% CI -4.49 to -2.99; $p < 0.0001$ for Dapa10) ⁷³, as well as a sustained decrease of SBP by -5.38 mmHg (95% CI -10.81 to 0.04; for Dapa10) was observed in the 52-week DEPICT-1 trial ⁷. A follow-up analysis of the DEPICT-1/-2 trials showed that, at week 52, addition of dapagliflozin adjunct to insulin resulted in a dose dependent reduction of UACR (≥ 30 mg/g) of -13.3% (95% CI -37.2 to 19.8; for the 5 mg dose dapagliflozin [Dapa5]) and -31.1% (95% CI -49.9% to -5.2%; for Dapa10), compared to placebo ⁷⁶. Adjusted mean change in eGFR at week 52 in individuals with albuminuria at baseline was 3.3 ml/mg/1.73m² (95% CI -0.9 to 7.5, $p = 0.1$ for Dapa5) and 2.1 ml/min/1.73m² (95% CI -2.0 to 6.3; $p = 0.3$ for Dapa10), compared to placebo ⁷⁶.

The inTandem trial program encompassed 3 trials with overall comparable outcome. In the 24-week inTandem3 trial, dose-dependent, placebo-adjusted least square matching (LSM) HbA1c reductions of up to -0.46% (95% CI -0.54 to -0.38; $p < 0.001$ for the 400 mg dose of sotagliflozin [Sota400]) were

observed¹⁰. Mean change in body weight was up to -2.98 kg (95% CI -3.31 to -2.66) at 24 weeks. Mean, placebo-corrected difference in SBP was -3.5 mmHg (95% CI -5.7 to -1.3; $p=0.002$ for Sota400) and, if baseline SBP ≥ 130 mmHg was present, a mean SBP-reduction of -6.6 mmHg (-10.9 to -2.3; $p=0.004$ for Sota400), at week 16 was seen. In the modified intention-to-treat (receipt of ≥ 1 dose of trial regimen), no significant mean changes in UACR (-20.09 mg/g [95% CI -43.04 to 2.87] $p=0.09$), serum creatinine level (0.006 mg/dl [95% CI 0.005 to 0.016] $p=0.27$) and eGFR (-0.24 ml/min/1.73m² [95% CI -1.52 to 1.04] $p=0.71$) were observed¹⁰. A follow-up analysis which pooled the 1,575 participants from inTandem1 and -2 largely confirmed the data from inTandem3, and demonstrated minor, dose-dependent effects on mean, placebo corrected eGFR with an initial decrease but subsequent return to near-baseline values (-2.8 ml/min/1.73m² [SE 0.6], $p<0.0001$ for Sota400 at week 4, and -0.5 ml/min/1.73m² [SE 0.8], $p=0.52$ for Sota400 at week 52)⁷⁷. In the subgroup of participants ($n=196$) with mean elevated albuminuria (UACR ≥ 30 mg/g) at baseline, an initial dose-dependent reduction of mean albuminuria by -31.4% (SE 11.3, $p=0.0032$) from baseline was observed for Sota400 at week 24. This decreased to an overall mean reduction of -18.3% (SE 13.8, $p=0.18$) for Sota400 at week 52. At week 52, Sota400 reduced mean SBP by -3.6 mmHg (SE 0.7, $p<0.0001$) and DBP by -1.6 mmHg (SE 0.5, $p=0.0008$), relative to placebo. Mean serum haematocrit increased by 1.9% (SE 0.2, $p<0.0001$) at week 12, an effect persistent until week 52 ($p<0.0001$), relative to placebo. Similar, mean, placebo-corrected serum albumin concentration increased by 0.07 g/dl (SE 0.01, $p<0.0001$ for Sota400) by week 4 and 0.03 g/dl (SE 0.02, $p=0.053$) by week 52. A mean, placebo-corrected change in uric acid concentration of -0.42 mg/dl (SE 0.04, $p<0.0001$ for Sota400) was observed at week 4, which was persistent until week 52 (-0.28 mg/dl [SE 0.05], $p<0.0001$)⁷⁷.

The canagliflozin trial demonstrated placebo-corrected mean changes in HbA1c of -0.29% with the 100 mg dose of canagliflozin (Cana100) from baseline to week 18 and -0.25% with Cana300⁷⁴. Dose-dependent, placebo-corrected mean changes in body weight were -3.4% and -5.3% for Cana100 and Cana300, respectively⁷⁴. Data on renal surrogate markers were not provided, osmotic-diuresis-related adverse events occurred at higher rates compared to placebo (9, 11, and 3 events for Cana100, Cana300, and placebo, respectively), as did volume depletion-related adverse events (4, 1, and 0 events for Cana100, Cana300, and placebo, respectively)⁷⁴. Comparable outcomes were also observed in a small, real-world case series with 11 participants⁷⁸. In summary, all trials showed added glycaemic efficacy, (minor) reductions in body weight and blood pressure, and if provided, positive effects on renal surrogate markers such as albuminuria. A comparison of mechanisms and transferability of outcomes of SGLT2 inhibition between type 1 and type 2 diabetes has also been published⁷⁹.

3. Mechanisms of SGLT-2is and SGLT-1/-2is relevant to DKD in T1DM

3.1 Hyperglycaemia, associated effects, and SGLT-inhibition in DKD

Hyperglycaemia is suggested as a major risk factor for the development of DKD. Anders and colleagues comprehensively reviewed early and late effects of hyperglycaemia on the kidney²². In summary, immediate effects of hyperglycaemia include hyperreabsorption of glucose and, as consequence, increases in the expression of glucose transporters, increases in energy-consuming transport processes in the proximal tubular cells, accompanied by a strong increase in oxygen demand in the renal cortex and outer medulla, ultimately inducing local ischaemia and cellular stress²². The increased reabsorption by co-transport of sodium decreases sodium availability at the macula densa, deactivates the tubulo-glomerular feedback, and induces vasodilation of the afferent arteriole, increasing the intraglomerular pressure and promoting glomerular hyperfiltration. Concomitantly and additively, an increase in renin secretion promotes vasoconstriction of the efferent arteriole, further aggravating the intraglomerular pressure and hyperfiltration. Ultimately, compensatory mechanisms lead to glomerular hypertrophy, pathing the way for further pathophysiological changes²². Postulated late, long-term effects of hyperglycaemia include endothelial dysfunction, glomerular basement membrane changes and mesangial cell expansion, podocyte injury, sterile local inflammation, and, to certain extent, also some metabolic memory^{80,81}.

As logic consequence, mainly SGLT-2- but also simultaneous SGLT-1-inhibition efficiently increases glycosuria – with concomitant intensification of NaCl delivery to the macula densa. This reinstates the tubulo-glomerular feedback, supporting afferent arteriole constriction, also associated with a decrease in renal energy demand and thus increased relative oxygen availability, and a decrease of the intraglomerular pressure and GFR^{40,82}. This is consequently demonstrated in T2DM^{2,3,5} by an initial drop of eGFR and subsequent recovery and long-term stabilization (as by reduced slope of eGFR decline). Furthermore, when extrapolating the rate and slope of eGFR decline in CREDENCE, it becomes clear that SGLT-2 inhibition may result in a substantial deferral of ESRD². Also, there are first indications that SGLT-2is may have positive effects in individuals already presenting with albuminuria and declining GFR in T1DM. A post-hoc analysis of the DEPICT-1/-2 trials in individuals with existing albuminuria at baseline revealed that use of dapagliflozin (10 mg) resulted in a significant reduction of percent change in UACR⁸³. However, first studies in T2DM suggest that an early start of SGLT-2 inhibition still in the normoalbuminuric range may be more efficient⁸⁴. However, these effects seem rather to be mediated by ions like NaCl than by diminishing hyperglycaemia itself. Next to glycosuria, the use of SGLT-inhibition in T1DM has been shown to increase TIR and positively impact glycaemic variability^{6,7,73,85,86}. High glycaemic variability is starting to be connected to adverse renal outcomes and a potential decline of renal function^{20,87,88}. It has been shown that, in persons with T1DM, acute

hyperglycaemia increases urinary excretion of inflammatory cytokines and that it may also contribute to kidney injury by RAAS activation²⁰. Also, by consequently reducing hyperglycaemia by increased renal elimination of glucose, long-term effects of hyperglycaemia may be prevented. Long-term reduction of hyperglycaemia has been suggested to positively impact oxidative stress levels and improving inflammatory processes and dysfunctional cellular pathways, e.g. through a reduction of advanced glycosylation end-products (AGEs) and activation of the corresponding pro-inflammatory AGE-RAGE (receptor for AGEs)-axis⁸⁹.

3.2 Renal (glomerular) hypertension and SGLT-inhibition

A fast and early decline of eGFR has been connected to subsequently increased risk of ESRD, thus, maintaining GFR is essential for preventing and decelerating the exacerbation of DKD to ESRD³¹. Elevated local concentrations of renin and, downstream, angiotensin II at the efferent arteriole, activated and supported by hyperglycaemia⁹⁰, result in vasoconstriction which in combination with the ablation of the tubulo-glomerular feedback, increases the intraglomerular pressure (glomerular hypertension) and glomerular hyperfiltration^{29,91}.

Consequently, and since a long time, first line treatment for hypertension and DKD in DM are inhibitors of the RAAS, as lowering systemic BP was shown to decelerate progression of DKD in T1DM⁹². However, there seem to be several issues with the RAAS inhibition for the prevention of DKD: first, RAAS blockers appear to be most effective in individuals with already high levels of albuminuria, and second, they rather delay the progression but do not prevent the development of DKD³¹, as demonstrated by several trials such as the RASS-⁴⁸ and AddIT-trials⁴⁹. This has been proposed to be connected with their incapability to modify glycaemic control³¹. Third, RAAS inhibition is often contraindicated in individuals with advanced ESRD, particularly in those with stage-4/-5 kidney disease, due to a potentially negative impact on eGFR and the high risk of hyperkalaemia³¹.

SGLT-inhibitors, on the other hand, have been shown to impact a multitude of factors related to systemic and renal BP control. First, as elucidated above, they directly impact (reduce) the intraglomerular pressure and the hyperfiltration by facilitating vasoconstriction of the afferent arteriole. Second, a systemic decrease of SBP and DBP has been observed in most major trials in T1DM^{6-8,73}. This has been suggested to stem from the combination of modest weight loss, modest glucose-based osmotic diuresis and a small natriuretic effect³⁹. Third, they have been shown to reduce cardiac pre- and afterload by several mechanisms, resulting in overall positive effects on the cardio-renal system and reducing renal blood flow^{82,93}. Fourth, alongside impacting the tubulo-glomerular feedback, a recent study suggested that a combination of SGLT-inhibition with ACE inhibition may act in synergy and boost the alternate RAAS axis by inducing favourable ACE-2 levels, and possibly

decrease the risk of DKD in individuals with DM⁹⁴. Fifth, a small decline of plasma uric acid due to an increase in glycosuria-related uricosuria has been observed with SGLT-2is⁹⁵.

However, while some trials⁹⁶ and reviews⁹⁷ have linked increased uric acid concentrations to reduced renal function, the FinnDiane Study showed by employing a Mendelian randomization approach (a method to study causality) that uric acid is not directly involved in the development of DKD in individuals with T1DM⁹⁸. These data were confirmed by the randomized controlled trial PERL⁹⁹ designed to investigate how sustained lowering of serum uric acid by allopurinol associates with GFR decline and DKD in T1DM¹⁰⁰. Doria and colleagues found no evidence of clinically meaningful serum urate reduction benefits with allopurinol on kidney outcomes in persons with T1DM and early-to-moderate diabetic kidney disease¹⁰⁰. It has also been shown that urate-lowering treatment with allopurinol did not slow the decline in eGFR as compared with placebo in persons with CKD¹⁰¹. However, while this concludes that uric acid lowering alone does not provide the desired effects on DKD, it does not exclude that in a multifactorial mechanism of action as for SGLT-inhibition, lowering of serum uric acid may have additional impact. This may rather be reflected in a contribution to a reduction of arterial stiffness¹⁰² which was proposed to be associated with renal function in T1DM, as well as to be an independent predictor of mortality in individuals with ESRD and T1DM¹⁰³. Furthermore, elevated uric acid has been suggested to play a role in systemic hypertension as well as for low-grade inflammation¹⁰⁴ – again, while the effects of lowering uric acid alone may be not be strong enough to have a clinically meaningful impact on the progression of DKD, a combined effect with reduction of BP, stress and inflammatory processes by e.g. also reducing hyperglycaemia may be worthwhile considering and has not been thoroughly investigated in T1DM yet.

In summary, SGLT-2 inhibitors have been shown to impact a multitude of factors related to systemic and glomerular hypertension. So far, it is unclear if there is one dominant mechanism responsible for the clinical outcomes, or if it is a form of interconnectedness of several effects with the potential to improve renal outcomes in T1DM or T2DM.

3.3 Renal hypoxia, inflammation, and SGLT-inhibition

It has been elucidated above (in paragraph 1.2 and 3.2) that SGLT-inhibition has the potential to reduce excess renal energy expenditure, and as such also local renal oxygen consumption, diminishing renal hypoxia induced by chronic hyperglycaemia. In addition, all SGLT-2 inhibitors have demonstrated a modest increase of haematocrit in their respective CVOTs which cannot be explained solely by their diuretic effect¹⁰⁵. It has been proposed that concomitant to hyperglycaemia-induced stress erythropoietin-producing fibroblasts in the kidney may transform into myo-fibroblasts to produce fibrogenic molecules, resulting in decreased serum erythropoietin levels¹⁰⁵. Upon treatment with SGLT-inhibitors, renal metabolic stress is reduced and myo-fibroblasts may revert back to

erythropoietin-producing fibroblasts, thereby increasing serum erythropoietin and haemoglobin, further enhancing renal oxygen delivery ¹⁰⁵. Another mechanism of increased haematocrit has been suggested by a study in T2DM: treatment with dapagliflozin resulted in a reduction of hepcidin – a peptide which has been found increased in pro-inflammatory conditions and a recognised suppressor of erythropoiesis ¹⁰⁶.

Additional and subsequent to ischaemia, inflammation has been postulated to further play a major role in the decline of renal function in DKD: pathological changes of renal vascular structures directly affect renal oxygen homeostasis, resulting in renal medullar hypoxia and renal tubular dysfunction ³². In combination with disturbed mitochondrial function, increased reactive oxygen species (ROS), AGEs, and toxic metabolite production, this may lead to an activation of an inflammatory response, which is thought to ultimately promote renal (tubulointerstitial) fibrosis ^{32,107,108}. In a recent animal model and *in vitro* study, dapagliflozin significantly attenuated renal STAT1 and TGF-beta 1 expression – both factors associated with tubulointerstitial fibrosis in DKD ¹⁰⁹. If also demonstrated *in vivo*, it may be a first step into direct, rather than only indirect regulation of cellular pro-inflammatory signalling cascades.

3.4 Increased prevalence of obesity, renal impact, and SGLT-inhibition in T1DM

As discussed above, obesity also in T1DM strongly relates to IR, the metabolic syndrome and its individual components, and is increasingly prevalent in persons with T1DM. It has been demonstrated that in T1DM a BMI ≥ 27.5 kg/m² is associated with increased rates of hypertension, dyslipidaemia, microalbuminuria, and increased insulin demand, without affecting glycaemic control ¹¹⁰. Furthermore, an increased BMI is associated with an increased risk of DKD ¹¹¹ and has been demonstrated as a potentially independent risk factor for ESRD ^{112,113}. The pathological effects of obesity on renal function cycle around RAAS activation, an increase in intra-abdominal pressure affecting GFR and kidney function, sympathetic nervous system activation, IR, and dyslipidaemia resulting in low-grade inflammation, oxidative stress, glomerular hypertension and other factors ^{114,115}.

The effects of SGLT-inhibition on hypertension and inflammation have already been discussed above. In the respective trials, SGLT-2is caused a loss of mean total body weight between ≈ 2 kg and ≈ 4 kg in T1DM ⁶⁻⁹. These small body weight changes are unlikely to be responsible for any direct renoprotective effects of SGLT-2is – generally speaking, it has been proposed that SGLT-2i monotherapy is insufficient for the treatment of obesity ¹¹⁶. However, SGLT-2i-mediated weight loss may still contribute to the overall picture of renal- and cardiovascular protection in persons with T1DM and obesity. There are first indications on how SGLT-2is may aid the treatment of IR, obesity and its associated low-grade inflammation by several mechanisms: for example, carbohydrate-related calorie loss by glycosuria, partially responsible for the observed weight losses ¹¹⁷, may cause the observed SGLT-2 mediated shift

of substrate utilization to fatty-acid and ketone body oxidation, contributing to further weight loss, a reduction of pro-inflammatory signalling and improvements in insulin sensitivity ¹¹⁸. Thus, temporary metabolic reprogramming may be facilitated by SGLT-inhibition – first indications come from animal models, in which SGLT-2 inhibition was proposed to induce metabolic reprogramming related to a reduction of obesity, improved glucose tolerance despite reduced plasma insulin, increased plasma ketones, and improved plasma lipid profiles ¹¹⁹. Overall, the animal model demonstrated that SGLT-2 inhibition may trigger a fasting-like transcriptional and metabolic paradigm and may reduce obesity in a fibroblast growth factor 21 (FGF21)-signalling-dependent manner ¹¹⁹. In addition, other animal studies suggested that SGLT-inhibition may improve inflammatory signalling particularly in the liver and the kidneys, and concomitantly improve IR by reducing inflammatory signalling and modified macrophage polarization ¹²⁰. On the other hand, it has been shown that obese individuals have increased kidney sizes, glomerulomegaly and increased renal blood flow with concomitant glomerular hyperfiltration, which may lead to, similar to diabetes, increased proximal tubular sodium reabsorption ¹²¹. While combined effects of T1DM and obesity again may be detrimental in this sense, SGLT-inhibition may act in a preserving manner by restoring the tubulo-glomerular feedback as discussed above.

3.4.1. NALFD, T1DM and SGLT-inhibition

It has been considered above the metabolic syndrome, IR and NALFD become increasingly prevalent also in T1DM. A study using magnetic resonance imaging estimated a prevalence of NALFD of around 5% in T1DM ¹²². This study also concluded that, while NAFLD and T1DM seem to share some underlying mechanisms like increased inflammation and oxidative stress, T1DM *per se* does not seem to increase the risk to develop hepatic steatosis ¹²². However, if persons with T1DM develop the metabolic syndrome, IR and NALFD, SGLT-2is may become a similarly interesting treatment consideration as in T2DM, particularly since NALFD can be considered a multisystem disease with additional detrimental impact on cardiovascular and renal function ¹²³. Various studies in T2DM have provided a lot of evidence that all available SGLT-2is seem to exert (significant) positive effects on the development of NAFLD/non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) and improvement of existing NAFLD/NASH ¹²³⁻¹²⁵. Improvements in biomarkers like aminotransferase (ALT), aspartate aminotransferase (AST), alkaline phosphatase, ferritin, and gamma-glutamyltransferase (γ GT) were consistently demonstrated, as reviewed elsewhere ^{123,124}. Similarly, effects like decreased intrahepatic triglycerides, hepatic fat fraction or content, improved liver/spleen attenuation ratio, reduced liver fibrosis, and attenuated hepatic inflammation were observed ^{123,124}. Liver biopsies in very small cohorts of persons with T2DM and NAFLD confirmed that SGLT-2is have the potential to reduce stage scores of steatosis, lobular inflammation, ballooning and fibrosis ¹²⁶⁻¹²⁸. Mechanisms by which SGLT-2is cause these improvements

have to be further investigated. Current suggestions mainly circle around improvements in visceral fat mass, body weight and glycaemic control (by glycosuria), also positively impacting insulin sensitivity (or IR) and the glucagon-to-insulin ratio, as well as a general metabolic shift also relevant to the cardiovascular system like increased ketogenesis and increased fatty-acid oxidation (beta-oxidation). Tightly linked are other effects like improvement of inflammation and oxidative stress¹²³⁻¹²⁵.

SGLT-inhibition is connected with a considerable risk of diabetic ketoacidosis in T1DM, as observed in respective trials⁶⁻⁹. However, the risk for DKA may be decreased in individuals with elevated BMI (BMI >27 kg/m²)¹²⁹, for which reason SGLT-inhibition as an adjunct to insulin therapy in T1DM is only in-label in persons with a BMI \geq 27 kg/m². Thus, SGLT-inhibition may prove a highly viable option in obese individuals with T1DM.

4. Conclusion and Clinical Implications

Diabetic kidney disease, the strongest risk factor for CV disease and mortality in T1DM, still develops in a considerable number of individuals with T1DM, despite access to intensive insulin therapy and technological improvements such as continuous glucose monitoring and (hybrid) closed-loop systems. Several pharmacological interventions failed to significantly reduce DKD progression since RAAS blockade entered international guidelines of DKD treatment. Although the possible renoprotective effect of empagliflozin in individuals with type 1 diabetes was already described⁹³, randomized controlled trials (RCT's) with this class of antidiabetic drugs thereafter mainly focused on investigating safety and efficacy in persons with T2DM. Several large RCT's in individuals with T2DM have shown, beside cardiovascular benefits, also protective properties of SGLT2 inhibitors against DKD progression. Several hypotheses are developed to explain how SGLT2 inhibitors exert their salutary effects on eGFR and albuminuria in T2DM, and probably different pathways exist in parallel.

The question, whether renoprotection is also present in T1DM is still unanswered. For that, large scale renal trials investigating the effects of SGLT2 inhibitors in T1DM are required, but it remains uncertain whether these trials will ever be performed. Since DKD pathogenesis shows differences between T1DM and T2DM, caution should be taken when extrapolating results from T2DM trials. On the other hand, both diseases often share DKD risk factors such as hyperglycemia, albuminuria, (glomerular) hypertension, overweight, hyperuricemia, NAFLD, and increased inflammation. Several studies with SGLT1/2 inhibition in T1DM showed improvement of these common risk factors, thereby targeting essential pathophysiological pathways leading to DKD. Therefore, the presence of a real renoprotective effect of SGLT inhibition in T1DM would not be unexpected. In fact, data from clinical trials are already emerging showing that inhibition of SGLT might also be renoprotective in T1DM. Both for Sotagliflozin and Dapagliflozin, post-hoc analyses of the InTandem and Depict1/2 trials point towards a decrease in albuminuria after initiation of SGLT-blockade.

An important caveat in the use of SGLT1/2 in T1DM is the well documented increased DKA risk. Health-care providers should very carefully weigh risk and benefits before prescribing SGLT1/2 inhibitors to individuals with T1DM. In case clear renoprotection would be demonstrated in T1DM, the risk-benefit assessment of SGLT1/2 inhibitors in people with T1DM could become clearer. But even then, there will still be a strong need for proper individuals' selection and education on DKA risk and management. Besides data on renal benefits from RCT's, also real-world evidence concerning DKA will deliver essential information on the actual risk and will help both health-care providers and health authorities in deciding on the place of SGLT1/2 inhibitors in the treatment of individuals with T1DM.

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