

# Aims of COORDINATE: An unmet clinical need

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## **Objectives**

- Burden of DM + ASCVD
- Aims of COORDINATE
- Barriers to guideline-directed therapies for ASCVD in DM
  - High intensity statins, ACE/ARB, CVOT DM medications
- Trial inclusion/exclusion and endpoints



## **Diabetes epidemiology**

- 100 million live with diabetes ~ 10% of population.
  - Up to 80 million have 'pre-diabetes'
- ASCVD remains the most common cause of morbidity and mortality in DM
- Once established in DM, ASCVD carries poor prognosis:
  - Higher burden of disease, complexity of atheroma, ST, ISR
  - Stroke is more disabling, longer hospitalization, worse fx outcomes
  - More likely to have unsuccessful revascularization HR 12 for amputation



## **Diabetes strategies**

• Treating risk factors can significantly reduce ASCVD risk



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BUT <15% in NHANES are at target BP, LDL, HbA1c, smoking status...

#### Rawshani et al. NEJM 2018; Mancini et al. JACC 2019

## Managing CV risk is a team game





# Two worlds of managing CV risk in diabetes

### Diabetologist

- Focus on blood sugar
- Expert in wide range of hypoglycemia medications
- Expert in global care of diabetes, microvascular complications
- Defers to cardiologist on CV protection

### Cardiologist

- Focus on hypertension, lipids, diet
- Expert in lipid-lowering therapies
- Management of cardiovascular disease
- Defers to diabetologist on diabetes drugs

A cardiologist is 3 x more likely to see a DM + ASCVD patient than an endocrinologist...



## **Complex care needs**



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## Gap 1: statins

- Non-persistence affects up to 60% of 2° prevention
  - Intolerance causes ~ half of non-persistence

- **BUT** carefully designed trials suggest the absolute effect is ~5%
- Intentional and deliberate re-challenges successful in >70% of patients



## **Intervention: statins**

- LMS module:
  - Evidence for statin usage
  - Strategies to overcome statin intolerance
- Patient facing materials: importance and rationale of statin usage



# Gap 2: ACE/ARB

• Demonstrable benefit for DM and ASCVD, independently

- **BUT** up to 1/3 of patients with DM/ASCVD are not on RAAS blockade
- Hyperkalemia, reduced GFR, intolerance all limit adherence
- Careful commencement even in reduced GFR is often successful



## **Intervention: ACE/ARB**

- LMS module:
  - Evidence for ACE/ARB usage
  - Strategies to commence with reduced GFR/perceived intolerance
- Patient facing materials: importance and rationale of ACE/ARB usage



# Gap 3: CVOT DM drugs

 Robust evidence base for SGLT-2i and GLP-1RA in DM + ASCVD

- BUT contemporary registries suggest
  <10% of eligible patients are prescribed</li>
- Of those who receive prescriptions,
  <5% are from the cardiologist</li>





## Intervention: SGLT-2i/GLP-1RA

- LMS module:
  - Evidence for SGLT-2i/GLP-1RA usage
  - Practical guidance for SGLT-2i/GLP-1RA
- Patient facing materials: importance and rational of ACE/ARB usage
- System issues: strategies for pre-authorization, tips for navigating copays and vouchers, insurance limitations



## What are the issues?

## Multifactorial

System		Provider	Patient
•	Communication and	Knowledge base	Knowledge base/literacy
	coordination with providers	Comfort zone in diabetes	Degree of patient activation
•	Pre-authorization barriers	medication prescriptions	Barriers to adherence
•	Co-pay and affordability	Interdisciplinary boundaries	



## **COORDINATE-DM**

COORDINATE-Diabetes is a cluster-randomized clinical trial to test the effectiveness of an innovative, clinic-level educational intervention to improve the management of patients with T2DM and CVD.



## **Primary outcome**

Proportion of patients achieving guideline-recommended management for T2DM and CVD at 12 months, as initiated or confirmed by a cardiologist for all of the following (composite score of 3):

- 1. Use of a regimen which includes an anti-hyperglycemic agent indicated and/or guideline recommended to reduce cardiovascular risk\*
  - Acceptable alternative: metformin monotherapy with HbA1c<7%
- 2. Guideline-recommended medical therapy\* with ACEi/ARB
- 3. Guideline-recommended medical therapy\* with high-intensity statin: atorvastatin 40-80mg daily OR rosuvastatin 20-40mg daily



# **Primary outcome (continued)**

\*As new consensus or evidence emerges and guidelines are updated, the composite score and requisites will be evaluated by the Steering Committee for needed updates on an ongoing basis.

For the first component of the primary outcome (related to anti-hyperglycemic agents), patients will be evaluated according to the list of "indicated and/or guideline recommended" agents in effect **at the time of their 12 month follow-up**. Medications started during the 12 month study period that receive FDA indication/guideline recommendation during that time will count towards the primary outcome.



## **Secondary outcome**

Assessment of cardiology provider behavior as measured by the following **cardiologist-initiated** medications for diabetes suggested by guidelines and FDA approved for CVD risk reduction:

- Proportion of patients achieving guideline-recommended therapy for T2DM
- Proportion of patients with an ACEi/ARB treatment
- Proportion of patient with a high-intensity statin treatment

Variations on the Primary Outcome:

• Proportion of patients achieving a composite score of ≥ 2



# Secondary outcome (continued)

#### Intermediate Outcomes:

- Changes from baseline to 12 months in the following: sBP, dBP, HbA1c, LDL-C (when available)
- Change from baseline to 12 months in proportion of patients achieving the following targets (individually and in combination): sBP<130 mmHg, dBP<80 mmHg, HbA1c<8%, LDL-C<70 mg/dL (when available)

#### **Clinical time-to-event outcomes:**

- Composite of all-cause death; hospitalization for: MI, stroke, decompensated heart failure, or urgent revascularization (coronary, peripheral, carotid)
- Each of the clinical time-to-event outcomes will also be assessed individually



## **Population**

#### **Inclusion Criteria**

- $\geq$  18 years old
- Diagnosis of Type 2 diabetes
- History of at least one:
  - Coronary artery disease
  - Peripheral arterial disease
  - Cerebrovascular disease
- English speaking

#### **Exclusion Criteria**

- Unlikely to comply with study procedures
- Life expectancy < 1year
- Already prescribed at baseline:
  - All 3 guideline recommended therapies
  - SGLT-2i or GLP-1RA
- Absolute contraindication to any of the 3 guideline recommended therapies



# Definition

### **Coronary artery disease**

 prior MI, coronary revascularization (CABG or PCI), and/or obstructive CAD (≥50%) as documented by angiography or CTA

### **Peripheral arterial disease**

 defined as claudication with ABI<0.9, prior peripheral revascularization, and/or amputation due to circulatory insufficiency

### **Cerebrovascular disease**

• Stroke and/or carotid artery stenosis (≥50%)



## **Summary**

- High burden of DM & CVD
- Gap in prescription of guideline-directed therapies
- Multiple barriers to adoption: system, provider, patient.
  - Multifaceted intervention required
- Basics of the COORDINATE Trial

