

Evaluating the Effectiveness of Switching to Insulin Degludec from Other Basal Insulins in a Real-World Canadian Population with Type 1 or Type 2 Diabetes: The CAN-TREAT Study

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Statistical analysis

Paired *t*-tests were also conducted for the change from baseline to 6 ± 3 months after insulin degludec (degludec) initiation in fasting plasma glucose (FPG), mean daily insulin dose (basal, prandial and total) and body weight. Least-square means estimates for change from baseline in glycated haemoglobin (HbA_{1c}) to 6 months after degludec initiation were reported and include associated 95% confidence intervals (CIs) and *p*-values. To obtain the analogous unadjusted estimate of least-square means, the analogous analysis of variance (ANOVA) model was generated where the only independent variable was the baseline HbA_{1c} value. McNemar's test was used to compare the change in proportion of patients attaining HbA_{1c} targets (<7.0%, <7.5% or <8.0%) from baseline to 6 ± 3 months after degludec initiation. The change in rate of hypoglycaemic episodes was analysed using a negative binomial model in which rate differences were analysed using an identity link function, and rate ratios were analysed using a log link function.

Table S1. Participation feasibility questionnaire

Questions
1. How many type 1 and type 2 diabetes patients do you see (per month)?
2. How frequently do you see your type 1 and type 2 patients treated with basal insulin?
3. How many of those did you prescribe degludec to, and how many started this drug at least 6 months ago?
4. Have you ever been involved in any type of clinical research or non-interventional study?
5. Would you be interested in taking part in a retrospective chart review looking at the treatment of diabetes with degludec and its outcomes?
<i>Degludec, insulin degludec</i>

Table S2. List of investigators, research ethics boards/institutional review boards

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Table S3. Reasons for screening failure

Reason	<i>N</i> (%)
Patients who were excluded from the analysis	41 (6.1)
Patient records failed minimum data requirement	29 (4.3)
Patient did not switch to degludec ≤ 6 months prior to date of informed consent obtained	5 (0.7)
<6 months' basal insulin before switch	3 (0.4)
Initiated degludec as part of a clinical trial	2 (0.3)
SCII ≤ 6 months before switch	2 (0.3)
No medical visit after switch	1 (0.1)

Degludec, insulin degludec; *N*, number of patients; *SCII*, subcutaneous insulin infusion.

Table S4. Prevalence of diabetes complications and comorbidities at baseline in patients with T1D or T2D

Diabetes complications	T1D (N=275)	T2D (N=351)
Sensory-motor neuropathy	40 (15.0)	63 (18.2)
Diabetic retinopathy	67 (25.1)	62 (17.9)
Renal insufficiency	17 (6.4)	55 (15.9)
Mild	3 (1.1)	18 (5.2)
Moderate	6 (2.2)	17 (4.9)
Severe	3 (1.1)	9 (2.6)
Unknown	5 (1.9)	11 (3.2)
Comorbidities*		
None	88 (33.0)	43 (12.4)
Coronary heart disease	16 (6.0)	63 (18.2)
Myocardial infarction	6 (2.2)	24 (6.9)
Reperfusion/revascularization procedure	7 (2.6)	35 (10.1)
Other	3 (1.1)	1 (0.3)
Missing	0	3 (0.9)
Stroke	4 (1.5)	10 (2.9)
Peripheral vascular disease	6 (2.2)	12 (3.5)
Hypertension	83 (31.1)	219 (63.1)
Dyslipidaemia	122 (45.7)	253 (72.9)
Other	51 (19.1)	70 (20.2)
Missing	0	0
Unknown	8 (2.9)	4 (1.1)

N, number of patients; *T1D*, type 1 diabetes; *T2D*, type 2 diabetes.

Notes: Data are *n* (%).

* Percentages were calculated for patients with known comorbidities (i.e. by excluding ‘unknown’ values from the denominator).

Table S5. Proportion of patients from the total population achieving HbA_{1c} targets at baseline and 6 ± 3 months after initiating degludec

T1D			
Baseline HbA _{1c}	Month 6 ≥7.0%	Month 6 <7.0%	Difference
<7.0%	12 (4.4)	22 (8.0)	p=0.063
≥7.0%	204 (74.2)	23 (8.4)	
	Month 6 ≥7.5%	Month 6 <7.5%	p=0.096
<7.5%	20 (7.3)	57 (20.7)	
≥7.5%	152 (55.3)	32 (11.6)	p<0.001
	Month 6 ≥8.0%	Month 6 <8.0%	
<8.0%	19 (6.9)	94 (34.2)	p<0.001
≥8.0%	102 (37.1)	46 (16.7)	
T2D			
Baseline HbA _{1c}	Month 6 ≥7.0%	Month 6 <7.0%	Difference
<7.0%	17 (4.8)	25 (7.1)	p<0.001
≥7.0%	250 (71.2)	50 (14.2)	
	Month 6 ≥7.5%	Month 6 <7.5%	p<0.001
<7.5%	25 (7.1)	62 (17.7)	
≥7.5%	185 (52.7)	70 (19.9)	p<0.001
	Month 6 ≥8.0%	Month 6 <8.0%	
<8.0%	23 (6.6)	136 (38.7)	p<0.001
≥8.0%	107 (30.5)	76 (21.7)	

HbA_{1c}, glycated haemoglobin; *degludec*, insulin degludec; *T1D*, type 1 diabetes; *T2D*, type 2 diabetes.

Notes: *p*-value corresponding to the comparison between baseline and 6-months in each study population (T1D and T2D) using McNemars' Test. Only patients with known HbA_{1c} at baseline and 6 ± 3 months after degludec initiation were eligible for *p*-value calculation.

Table S6. Reasons for initiating degludec in patients with T1D and T2D

	T1D (N=275)	T2D (N=351)
Not at glycaemic target	174 (68.8)	248 (73.4)
Hypoglycaemia	135 (53.4)	111 (32.8)
Severe*	12 (8.9)	6 (5.4)
Non-severe*	116 (85.9)	91 (82.0)
Nocturnal*	58 (43.0)	48 (43.2)
Hypoglycaemia unawareness	20 (7.9)	12 (3.6)
Multiple risk factors for hypoglycaemia	19 (7.5)	30 (8.9)
Basal insulin dose >80 units/day	5 (2.0)	40 (11.8)
Twice-daily basal insulin dosing	33 (13.0)	38 (11.2)
FBG variability	112 (44.3)	83 (24.6)
Need for flexible time of dosing	49 (19.4)	61 (18.0)
Device issue	1 (0.4)	3 (0.9)
Other	9 (3.6)	13 (3.8)
Unknown	22 (8.0)	13 (3.7)

FBG, fasting blood glucose; *degludec*, insulin degludec ; *N*, number of patients; *T1D*, type 1 diabetes; *T2D*, type 2 diabetes.

Notes: Data are *n* (percentage) of patients out of the total number of patients with known reasons. Reasons were not mutually exclusive and multiple reasons could be selected for each patient.

* Data are *n* (percentage) of patients out of the total number of patients with a reason of hypoglycaemia.

Table S7. Reasons for discontinuing degludec in patients with T1D and T2D

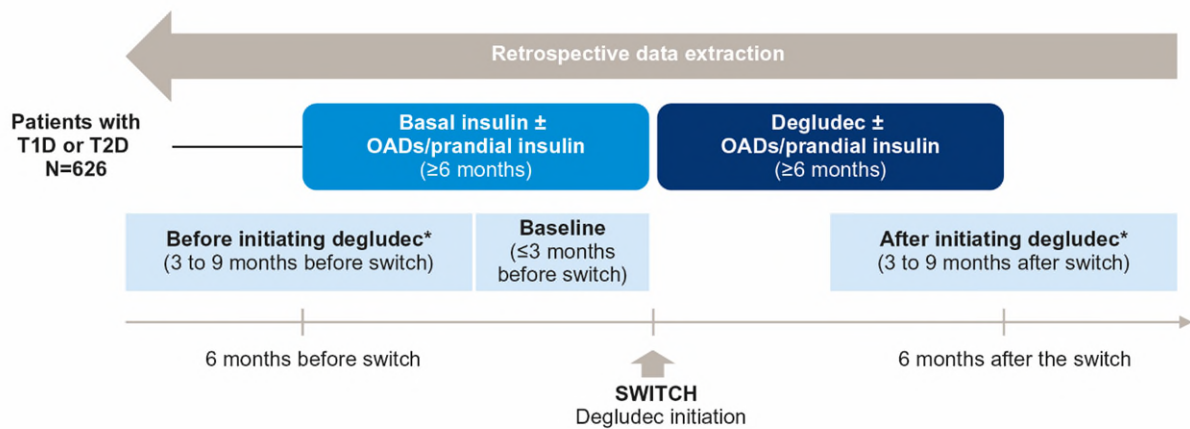
	T1D (N=275)	T2D (N=351)
Cost	0 (0.0)	2 (66.7)
Device issue	1 (50.0)	0 (0.0)
Other*	1 (50.0)	1 (33.3)
Unknown	3 (60.0)	0 (0.0)

Degludec, *insulin degludec*; *N*, number of patients; *T1D*, type 1 diabetes; *T2D*, type 2 diabetes.

Notes: Data are percentage of patients who discontinued degludec. Proportions were calculated as a percentage of known reasons for discontinuing degludec.

*One patient with T1D switched their degludec treatment to their original insulin glargine 300 units/mL; 1 patient with T2D discontinued degludec due to the occurrence of diarrhoea.

Fig. S1. Trial design.



*Time periods are correct for all endpoints with the exception of hypoglycaemia events, for which data were collected over specific 6-month periods (before initiating degludec: 6 to 0 months prior to baseline; after initiating degludec: 0–6 months after baseline).

Degludec, insulin degludec; *N*, number of patients; *OAD*, oral antidiabetic drug; *T1D*, type 1 diabetes; *T2D*, type 2 diabetes.