To regulate blood glucose, ^1-3 lower body weight ^1-3 and reduce CV risk factors ^*1-5 in type 2 diabetes

GLP-1 RAs mimic

the natural GLP-1 hormonal response¹ and

BODST SIGNALLING within the body"

A simple guide to explaining the benefits of GLP-1 RAs

*Reduce CV risk factors vs placebo,¹⁻⁵ including reduction in blood pressure,^{3,7} plasma triglyceride levels and body weight.⁷



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CV, cardiovascular; GLP-1, glucagon-like peptide-1; GLP-1 RAs, glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists.

The effect of natural GLP-1 is reduced in type 2 diabetes⁸⁻¹⁰

The reduced effect of natural GLP-1 in type 2 diabetes impairs its ability to:

- Stimulate insulin secretion and inhibit glucagon release from the pancreas²
- Inhibit hepatic glucose production^{8,11}
- Promote satiety in the central nervous system⁶
- Delay gastric emptying²
- Reduce several cardiovascular (CV) risk factors*6,7

These effects contribute to unregulated blood glucose, weight gain and increased CV risk factors^{2,6-11}

GLP-1 receptor agonists (GLP-1 RAs) mimic naturally occurring GLP-1 and boost signalling at GLP-1 receptors in multiple organs^{1,6,7,12,13}

This helps to address several defects in type 2 diabetes, whereas other agents, such as metformin, mainly target one¹⁴

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GLP-1 RAs help patients control their blood sugar level^{1,11,14}

• GLP-1 RAs only work in response to high blood sugar level, which is why there is a low risk of hypoglycaemia for patients^{1,14}



GLP-1 RAs can help patients lose weight^{1,2}

- GLP-1 RAs can act on the central nervous system to reduce patients' appetite and make them feel full sooner, so that they eat less^{1,12}
- GLP-1 RAs also slow food absorption by slowing emptying of food from the stomach, preventing blood sugar from spiking after a meal¹¹
- These effects are why some patients might feel nauseous to start with, but this tends to decrease with time¹¹
- Some patients may also experience other digestive issues, such as diarrhoea or constipation¹¹

GLP-1 RAs can help protect patients' heart and blood vessels*⁵

• GLP-1 RAs can reduce patients' blood pressure and blood triglyceride levels, so that there is less burden on the heart and blood vessels^{1-4,12,13}

• These effects can also help protect the kidneys^{3,12}

Consider GLP-1 RAs for your patients to address the multiple defects of type 2 diabetes^{1,14}

> *All GLP-1 RAs have been shown to reduce CV risk factors^{14,12,13} and some have been proven to reduce the risk of CV events.⁵

A simple way to explain the benefits of GLP-1 RAs to your patients with type 2 diabetes

Glucagon-like peptide-1 or GLP-1 is a hormone produced in the body, with a number of effects in various organs. In type 2 diabetes, these effects of GLP-1 are reduced.⁸⁻¹⁰

GLP-1 RAs or glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists can mimic natural GLP-1 and boost GLP-1 signalling in multiple organs^{1,67,12,13}





Explaining to patients

GLP-1 receptor agonists can help you control your blood sugar level^{1,11,14}

• GLP-1 receptor agonists only work to reduce blood sugar level when it is high, which is why there is a low risk of hypoglycaemia or low blood sugar level^{1,14}



GLP-1 RAs can help you lose weight^{1,2}

- GLP-1 RAs can reduce your appetite and make you feel full sooner, so that you eat less^{1,12}
- GLP-1 RAs also slow food absorption by slowing emptying of food from the stomach¹¹
- These effects may cause you to feel nauseous to start with, but this tends to reduce with time¹¹
- You may also experience other digestive issues, such as diarrhoea or constipation¹¹

Explaining to patients

GLP-1 RAs can help protect your heart and blood vessels^{*5}

- GLP-1 RAs can reduce your blood pressure and blood triglyceride (fat) levels, so that there is less burden on your heart and blood vessels^{1-4,12,13}
- These effects can also help protect your kidneys^{3,12}

GLP-1 receptor agonists can help you control your blood sugar level, lose weight and protect your heart^{1,14}

> *All GLP-1 RAs have been shown to reduce CV risk factors^{1-4,12,13} and some have been proven to reduce the risk of CV events.⁵









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