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# Effects of semaglutide with and without concomitant SGLT2 inhibitor use in participants with type 2 diabetes and chronic kidney disease in the FLOW trial

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	Semaglutide 1.	) mg		Placebo		
Data are reported as <i>n</i> (%), unless	Overall	SGTL2i use	SGTL2i no use	Overall	SGTL2i use	SGTL2i no use
otherwise indicated	( <i>N</i> = 1,767)	( <i>N</i> = 277)	( <i>N</i> = 1,490)	( <i>N</i> = 1,766)	( <i>N</i> = 273)	( <i>N</i> = 1,493)
Age (mean [SD], years)	66.6 (9.0)	64.7 (8.7)	66.9 (9.0)	66.7 (9.0)	64.9 (9.7)	67.0 (8.8)
Sex						
Female	519 (29.4)	61 (22.0)	458 (30.7)	550 (31.1)	63 (23.1)	487 (32.6)
Region						
Asia	478 (27.1)	108 (39.0)	370 (24.8)	434 (24.6)	96 (35.2)	338 (22.6)
Europe	472 (26.7)	72 (26.0)	400 (26.8)	491 (27.8)	60 (22.0)	431 (28.9)
North America	423 (23.9)	64 (23.1)	359 (24.1)	442 (25.0)	69 (25.3)	373 (25.0)
Other	394 (22.3)	33 (11.9)	361 (24.2)	399 (22.6)	48 (17.6)	351 (23.5)
Race						
White	1,155 (65.4)	156 (56.3)	999 (67.0)	1,168 (66.1)	164 (60.1)	1,004 (67.2)
Asian	439 (24.8)	103 (37.2)	336 (22.6)	407 (23.0)	95 (34.8)	312 (20.9)
Black or African American	78 (4.4)	5 (1.8)	73 (4.9)	82 (4.6)	7 (2.6)	75 (5.0)

Supplementary Table 1 | Clinical characteristics and demographics in participants using SGLT2i at baseline

Other <sup>a</sup>	95 (5.4)	13 (4.7)	82 (5.5)	109 (6.2)	7 (2.6)	102 (6.8)
Ethnicity						
Hispanic or Latino	273 (15.4)	21 (7.6)	252 (16.9)	283 (16.0)	36 (13.2)	247 (16.5)
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,421 (80.4)	248 (89.5)	1,173 (78.7)	1,411 (79.9)	232 (85.0)	1,179 (79.0)
Not reported	73 (4.1)	8 (2.9)	65 (4.4)	72 (4.1)	5 (1.8)	67 (4.5)
HbA <sub>1c</sub> (mean [SD], %)	7.8 (1.3)	7.8 (1.2)	7.8 (1.3)	7.8 (1.3)	7.8 (1.2)	7.8 (1.3)
Body mass index (mean [SD],	31.9 (6.1)	32.0 (6.0)	31.9 (6.1)	32.0 (6.5)	31.4 (6.4)	32.1 (6.6)
kg/m <sup>2</sup> )						
Body weight (mean [SD], kg)	89.5 (19.8)	91.3 (20.1)	89.1 (19.7)	89.8 (21.2)	89.0 (21.1)	90.0 (21.3)
Systolic blood pressure (mean	138.9 (16.1)	135.4 (16.4)	139.5 (16.0)	138.4 (15.4)	134.5 (14.8)	139.1 (15.4)
[SD], mmHg)						
Diastolic blood pressure (mean	76.8 (10.0)	75.9 (9.6)	76.9 (10.1)	76.1 (10.0)	74.6 (9.6)	76.4 (10.1)
[SD], mmHg)						
Diabetes duration (years)						
<15	774 (43.8)	128 (46.2)	646 (43.4)	753 (42.6)	113 (41.4)	640 (42.9)
≥15	992 (56.1)	149 (53.8)	843 (56.6)	1,013 (57.4)	160 (58.6)	853 (57.1)
Prior MI or stroke						

Yes	405 (22.9)	59 (21.3)	346 (23.2)	403 (22.8)	56 (20.5)	347 (23.2)
Chronic heart failure						
Yes	342 (19.4)	42 (15.2)	300 (20.1)	336 (19.0)	40 (14.7)	296 (19.8)
Tobacco use						
Current smoker	223 (12.6)	43 (15.5)	180 (12.1)	206 (11.7)	35 (12.8)	171 (11.5)
Never smoked	883 (50.0)	120 (43.3)	763 (51.2)	864 (48.9)	116 (42.5)	748 (50.1)
Previous smoker	661 (37.4)	114 (41.2)	547 (36.7)	696 (39.4)	122 (44.7)	574 (38.4)
eGFR (mean [SD], ml/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> )	46.9 (15.6)	51.7 (15.5)	46.0 (15.5)	47.1 (14.7)	50.6 (15.2)	46.5 (14.5)
Renal function, eGFR						
(ml/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> )						
≥60	366 (20.7)	82 (29.6)	284 (19.1)	353 (20.0)	69 (25.3)	284 (19.0)
≥45 to <60	515 (29.1)	95 (34.3)	420 (28.2)	540 (30.6)	103 (37.7)	437 (29.3)
≥30 to <45	667 (37.7)	79 (28.5)	588 (39.5)	691 (39.1)	79 (28.9)	612 (41.0)
<30	218 (12.3)	21 (7.6)	197 (13.2)	182 (10.3)	22 (8.1)	160 (10.7)
UACR (median, mg/g)	582.3	556.1	589.0	557.8	491.1	563.4
Albuminuria (category)						

A1 (normoalbuminuria	52 (2.9)	8 (2.9)	44 (3.0)	57 (3.2)	8 (2.9)	49 (3.3)
<30 mg/g)						
A2 (microalbuminuria	509 (28.8)	94 (33.9)	415 (27.9)	495 (28.0)	85 (31.1)	410 (27.5)
≥30 to <300 mg/g)						
A3 (macroalbuminuria	1,205 (68.2)	175 (63.2)	1,030 (69.1)	1,214 (68.7)	180 (65.9)	1,034 (69.3)
≥300 mg/g)						

For eGFR, the baseline assessment is defined as the mean of the two assessments from the randomization visit and the screening visit. Albuminuria categories are based on UACR, and the baseline assessment is defined as the mean of the two assessments from the randomization visit. If only one of the assessments for either UACR or eGFR is available, this is used as the baseline assessment. The renal function categories are based on the eGFR as per CKD-EPI. % values show the percentage of participants in the full analysis set. For all parameters except UACR and eGFR, baseline is defined as the eligible assessment associated with the randomization visit, if taken before or at the date of first dose. If missing or taken after the date of first dose, the assessment from the screening visit is used. Smoking is defined as smoking at least one cigarette or equivalent daily. <sup>a</sup>Includes participants whose race was reported as "American Indian or Alaska Native", "Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander", or "Not reported". CKD-EPI, Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology Collaboration; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; HbA<sub>1e</sub>, glycated hemoglobin; IQR, interquartile range; MI, myocardial infarction; SD standard deviation; SGLT2i, sodium-glucose co-transporter-2 inhibitors; UACR, urine albumin-to-creatinine ratio.

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			Semag	Semaglutide			Se	Semaglutide vs placebo			
	То	otal	1.0	mg	Placebo						
	(N = 3)	3,533)	( <i>N</i> = 1	1,767)	( <i>N</i> =	1,766)					Р-
	N (%	)[IR]	N (%	)[IR]	N (%	) [IR]	HR (95% CI)	Р	HR (95% CI)	Р	inter.
Baseline SGLT2i use:	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes		No		
Subgroup n	550	2,983	277	1,490	273	1,493					
5-component outcome	79	662	41	290	38	372	1.07	0.755	0.73	< 0.001	0.109
	(14.4)	(22.2)	(14.8)	(19.5)	(13.9)	(24.9)	(0.69, 1.67)		(0.63, 0.85)		
	[4.4]	[7.1]	[4.6]	[6.1]	[4.3]	[8.1]					
4-component kidney	59	419	32	186	27	233	1.18	0.532	0.75	0.003	0.100
outcome	(10.7)	(14.0)	(11.6)	(12.5)	(9.9)	(15.6)	(0.71, 1.98)		(0.61, 0.90)		
	[3.3]	[4.5]	[3.6]	[3.9]	[3.0]	[5.1]					

### Supplementary Table 2 | Outcomes in participants according to SGLT2i use (with/without) at baseline

Onset of persistent	53	325	30	135	23	190	1.30	0.347	0.66	< 0.001	0.023
$\geq$ 50% reduction in	(9.6)	(10.9)	(10.8)	(9.1)	(8.4)	(12.7)	(0.76, 2.26)		(0.53, 0.83)		
eGFR	[3.0]	[3.5]	[3.3]	[2.8]	[2.6]	[4.1]					
Onset of persistent	35	167	20	72	15	95	1.29	0.452	0.72	0.039	0.120
eGFR	(6.4)	(5.6)	(7.2)	(4.8)	(5.5)	(6.4)	(0.67, 2.57)		(0.53, 0.98)		
<15 ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	[1.9]	[1.8]	[2.2]	[1.5]	[1.7]	[2.0]					
RRT	24	163	12	75	12	88	0.98	0.954	0.82	0.212	0.692
	(4.4)	(5.5)	(4.3)	(5.0)	(4.4)	(5.9)	(0.43, 2.20)		(0.60, 1.12)		
	[1.3]	[1.7]	[1.3]	[1.5]	[1.3]	[1.9]					
Onset of persistent	42	265	23	119	19	146	1.18	0.598	0.78	0.045	0.216
eGFR	(7.6)	(8.9)	(8.3)	(8.0)	(7.0)	(9.8)	(0.64, 2.19)		(0.61, 0.99)		
<15 ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	[2.3]	[2.8]	[2.5]	[2.5]	[2.1]	[3.1]					
or RRT											
Renal death	0	10	0	5	0	5	NA	NA	0.97	0.963	_
	(0.0)	(0.3)	(0.0)	(0.3)	(0.0)	(0.3)			(0.28, 3.35)		
	[0.0]	[0.1]	[0.0]	[0.1]	[0.0]	[0.1]					
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MACE	57	409	25	187	32	222	0.75	0.287	0.83	0.054	0.741
	(10.4)	(13.7)	(9.0)	(12.6)	(11.7)	(14.9)	(0.44, 1.26)		(0.68, 1.00)		
	[3.2]	[4.3]	[2.7]	[3.9]	[3.6]	[4.7]					
Death from	22	270	9	114	13	156	0.68	0.368	0.71	0.006	0.911
CV causes	(4.0)	(9.1)	(3.2)	(7.7)	(4.8)	(10.4)	(0.28, 1.57)		(0.56, 0.91)		
	[1.2]	[2.8]	[1.0]	[2.3]	[1.4]	[3.2]					
Non-fatal MI	25	91	9	43	16	48	0.55	0.147	0.88	0.547	0.303
	(4.5)	(3.1)	(3.2)	(2.9)	(5.9)	(3.2)	(0.23, 1.21)		(0.58, 1.33)		
	[1.4]	[0.9]	[1.0]	[0.9]	[1.8]	[1.0]					
Non-fatal stroke	15	99	9	54	6	45	1.46	0.469	1.18	0.401	0.707
	(2.7)	(3.3)	(3.2)	(3.6)	(2.2)	(3.0)	(0.53, 4.37)		(0.80, 1.77)		
	[0.8]	[1.0]	[1.0]	[1.1]	[0.7]	[0.9]					
All-cause death	41	465	18	209	23	256	0.77	0.397	0.80	0.016	0.901
	(7.5)	(15.6)	(6.5)	(14.0)	(8.4)	(17.1)	(0.41, 1.42)		(0.66, 0.96)		
	[2.2]	[4.8]	[1.9]	[4.2]	[2.5]	[5.3]					

The analysis was based on a Cox proportional hazards model containing an interaction term for treatment by subgroup, with treatment and subgroup as fixed factors and two-sided *P*-values; the HRs in the treatment part of the table compare semaglutide 1.0 mg to placebo within each subgroup. *P*-interaction values for the test of no interaction effect between SGLT2i use and treatment using a score test are shown. The 5-component outcome was a composite of onset of a sustained  $\geq$ 50% reduction in eGFR from the baseline value, of kidney failure (commencement of chronic dialysis, kidney transplantation, or a reduction in eGFR to <15 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> sustained for at least 28 days), or death due to kidney- or CV causes. The 4-component kidney outcome excluded death due to CV causes. MACE was a composite of non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke, or CV death. CI, confidence interval; CKD, chronic kidney disease; CV, cardiovascular; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; HR, hazard ratio; IR, incidence rate (events/100 patient years of observation); MACE, major adverse cardiovascular event; MI, myocardial infarction; *P*, *P*-value; *P*-inter, *P*-interaction value; RRT, renal-replacement therapy; SGLT2i, sodium-glucose cotransporter-2 inhibitors. Supplementary Table 3 | Outcomes in participants using SGLT2i at baseline or during the trial or not using SGLT2i at any

#### time

				Semaglutide		Treatment		
	Total	SGLT2i us	e	1.0 mg	Placebo	semaglutide		
	( <i>N</i> = <b>3</b> , <b>533</b> )	(Yes vs no	)	( <i>N</i> = 1,767)	( <i>N</i> = 1,766)	vs placebo		
	N (%) [IR]	HR (95% CI)	Р	N (%) [IR]	N (%) [IR]	HR (95% CI)	Р	P-inter.
Participants using S	GLT2i at baselir	ne or during the tr	ial					
Subgroup n	1,221			563	658			
5-component	191			82	109	0.88	0.381	0.169
outcome	(15.6)			(14.6)	(16.6)	(0.66, 1.17)		
	[4.7]			[4.4]	[5.0]			
4-component	141			64	77	0.97	0.853	0.110
kidney outcome	(11.5)			(11.4)	(11.7)	(0.69, 1.35)		
	[3.5]			[3.4]	[3.5]			

MACE	128			49	79	0.71	0.062	0.466
	(10.5)			(8.7)	(12.0)	(0.49, 1.01)		
	[3.2]			[2.6]	[3.6]			
All-cause death	91			34	57	0.69	0.087	0.638
	(7.5)			(6.0)	(8.7)	(0.45, 1.05)		
	[2.2]			[1.7]	[2.5]			
Participants not using	SGLT2i at an	y time						
Subgroup n	2,312			1,204	1,108			
5-component	550	1.69	< 0.001	249	301	0.70	< 0.001	0.169
outcome	(23.8)	(1.38, 2.08)		(20.7)	(27.2)	(0.59, 0.82)		
	[7.8]			[6.6]	[9.2]			
4-component	337	1.42	0.005	154	183	0.70	0.001	0.109
kidney outcome	(14.6)	(1.12, 1.82)		(12.8)	(16.5)	(0.57, 0.87)		
	[4.8]			[4.1]	[5.6]			
MACE	338	1.53	0.001	163	175	0.83	0.088	0.466
	(14.6)	(1.19, 1.99)		(13.5)	(15.8)	(0.67, 1.03)		
	[4.7]			[4.3]	[5.1]			

All-cause death	415	2.73	< 0.001	193	222	0.77	0.0083	0.638
	(17.9)	(2.06, 3.71)		(16.0)	(20.0)	(0.64, 0.93)		
	[5.6]			[4.9]	[6.3]			

The analysis was based on a Cox proportional hazards model containing an interaction term for treatment by subgroup, with treatment and subgroup as fixed factors and two-sided *P*-values; the HRs in the treatment part of the table compare semaglutide 1.0 mg to placebo within each subgroup. *P*-interaction values for the test of no interaction effect between SGLT2i use and treatment using a score test are shown. The 5-component outcome was a composite of onset of a sustained  $\geq$ 50% reduction in eGFR from the baseline value, of kidney failure (commencement of chronic dialysis, kidney transplantation, or a reduction in eGFR to <15 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> sustained for at least 28 days), or death due to kidney- or CV causes. The 4-component kidney outcome excluded death due to CV causes. MACE was a composite of non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke, or CV death. CI, confidence interval; CKD, chronic kidney disease; CV, cardiovascular; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; HR, hazard ratio; IR, incidence rate (events/100 patient years of observation); MACE, major adverse cardiovascular event; MI, myocardial infarction; *P*, *P*-value; *P*-inter, *P*-interaction value; SGLT2i, sodium-glucose cotransporter-2 inhibitors. Supplementary Table 4 | Cox regression of renal outcomes with eGFR calculated with cystatin C – with or without SGLT-2i use at baseline, a post-hoc analysis

				Semaglutide		Treatment		
	Total	SGLT2i use		1.0 mg	Placebo	semaglutide vs		
	( <i>N</i> = 3,533)	(yes vs no)		( <i>N</i> = 1,767)	( <i>N</i> = 1,766)	placebo		<i>P</i> -
	N (%) [IR]	HR (95% CI)	Р	N (%) [IR]	N (%) [IR]	HR (95% CI)	Р	inter.
Participants using SGLT2i at ba	seline							
Subgroup n	550			277	273			
5-component CKD with	76 (13.8) [4.3]			33 (11.9) [3.6]	43 (15.8) [4.9]	0.74 (0.47, 1.16)	0.189	0.844
eGFR cystatin								
4-component CKD with	58 (10.5) [3.3]			24 (8.7) [2.6]	34 (12.5) [3.9]	0.68 (0.40, 1.14)	0.149	0.919
eGFR cystatin								
Onset of ≥50% reduction in	19 (3.5) [1.1]			7 (2.5) [0.8]	12 (4.4) [1.4]	0.56 (0.21, 1.40)	0.228	0.799
eGFR cystatin								
Onset of eGFR cystatin	40 (7.3) [2.2]			16 (5.8) [1.8]	24 (8.8) [2.7]	0.64 (0.34, 1.20)	0.172	0.983
<15 ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>								

#### Participants not using SGLT2i at baseline

Subgroup n	2983			1490	1493			
5-component CKD with	652 (21.9) [7.1]	1.67 (1.33, 2.14)	< 0.001	277 (18.6) [5.9]	375 (25.1) [8.3]	0.70 (0.60, 0.82)	< 0.001	0.844
eGFR cystatin								
4-component CKD with	427 (14.3) [4.6]	1.43 (1.10, 1.91)	0.010	181 (12.1) [3.9]	246 (16.5) [5.5]	0.70 (0.58, 0.85)	< 0.001	0.919
eGFR cystatin								
Onset of ≥50% reduction in	197 (6.6) [2.1]	2.03 (1.30, 3.36)	0.003	68 (4.6) [1.4]	129 (8.6) [2.9]	0.50 (0.37, 0.66)	< 0.001	0.799
eGFR cystatin								
Onset of eGFR cystatin	232 (7.8) [2.5]	1.11 (0.80, 1.57)	0.549	93 (6.2) [2.0]	139 (9.3) [3.0]	0.65 (0.50, 0.84)	0.001	0.983
<15 ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>								

The post-hoc analysis of eGFR was based on measurement of cystatin C in serum which was done at randomization, and at week 12 and week 52, and then every 12 months after randomization (see Fig. 3). When  $eGFR_{cystatinC}$  was beyond thresholds (>50% decrease or below 15 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>), no confirmatory measurement was done. Supplementary Table 2 displays eGFR based on serum creatinine which was measured at least every 6 months and confirmatory measurements were done when above thresholds were met. The analysis was based on a stratified Cox proportional hazards model containing an interaction term for treatment by subgroup, with treatment and subgroup as fixed factors and two-sided *P*-values, stratified by SGLT2i use at baseline; the HRs in the treatment part of the table compare semaglutide 1.0 mg to placebo within each subgroup. *P*-interaction values for the test of no interaction effect between SGLT2i use and

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