

Supplementary Table 1. Status of medical management (safety population)

Adverse event	Vildagliptin 50 mg bid+metformin (<i>n</i> = 117)	Pioglitazone 15 mg qd+metformin (<i>n</i> = 111)
Dyslipidaemic agents	60 (62.5)	63 (65.0)
Antihypertensive agents	74 (77.1)	70 (72.2)
Angiotensin II antagonists	22 (22.9)	30 (30.9)
ACE inhibitors	12 (12.5)	6 (6.2)
Calcium antagonists	19 (19.8)	14 (14.4)
Diuretics	7 (7.3)	7 (7.2)
β -Blockers	4 (4.2)	6 (6.2)
Other antihypertensives	10 (10.4)	7 (7.2)
Anticoagulants, antiplatelets, and fibrinolytics	40 (41.7)	38 (39.2)
Antacids, antireflux agents, and antiulcerants	29 (30.2)	23 (23.7)

Values are presented as number (%).

bid, twice daily; qd, once daily; ACE, angiotensin-converting-enzyme.