

Background

| Type 2 Diabetes Subgroup Analysis

Integrating data from Recent Findings (21st century): Revisiting the definition (and classification) of T2D

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Novel subgroups of adult-onset diabetes and their association with outcomes: a data-driven cluster analysis of six variables

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Type 2 diabetes genetic loci informed by multi-trait associations point to disease mechanisms and subtypes: A soft clustering analysis

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Genome-wide association analyses highlight etiological differences underlying newly defined subtypes of diabetes

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ARTICLE



Validation of the classification for type 2 diabetes into five subgroups: a report from the ORIGIN trial

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REVIEW ARTICLE

New and Unique Clusters of Type 2 Diabetes Identified in Indians

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Diabetes Subgroup Clustering Provide Validated Biomarkers

Pre-Diabetes

Initial Decline in Glycemic Control
 Increasing HbA1c, Increasing Insulin Resistance
 Decreasing beta cell numbers and function

T2D

HbA1c
 HOMA-B
 HOMA-IR
 BMI
 Age

18%

SIDD = Severe Insulin Deficient Diabetes
 Low insulin secretion, poor metabolic control,
 increased risk of retinopathy and neuropathy

15%

SIRD = Severe Insulin Resistant Diabetes
 Insulin resistance, obesity, late onset,
 increased risk of nephropathy and fatty liver

22%

MOD = Mild Obesity-Related Diabetes
 Obesity, early onset

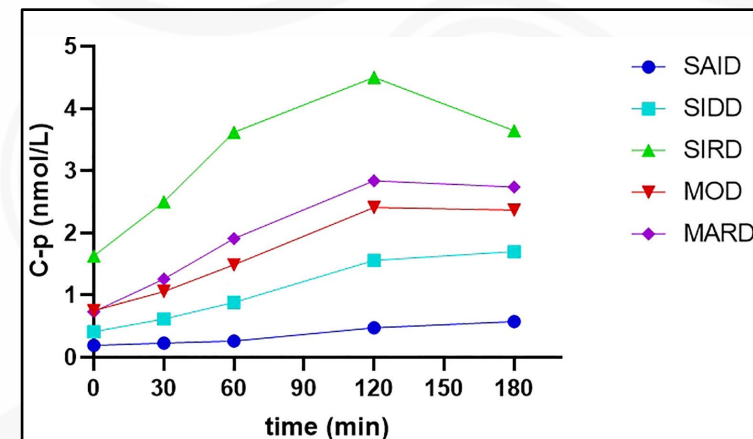
39%

MARD = Mild Age-Related Diabetes
 Late onset, low risk of complications

T1D

Initial Diagnosis/Disease – Stage 2/Stage 3
 Increasing HbA1c, Initial Reduction in Insulin
 Significant Decrease in beta cell numbers

Targeted Patient Population for BMF-219



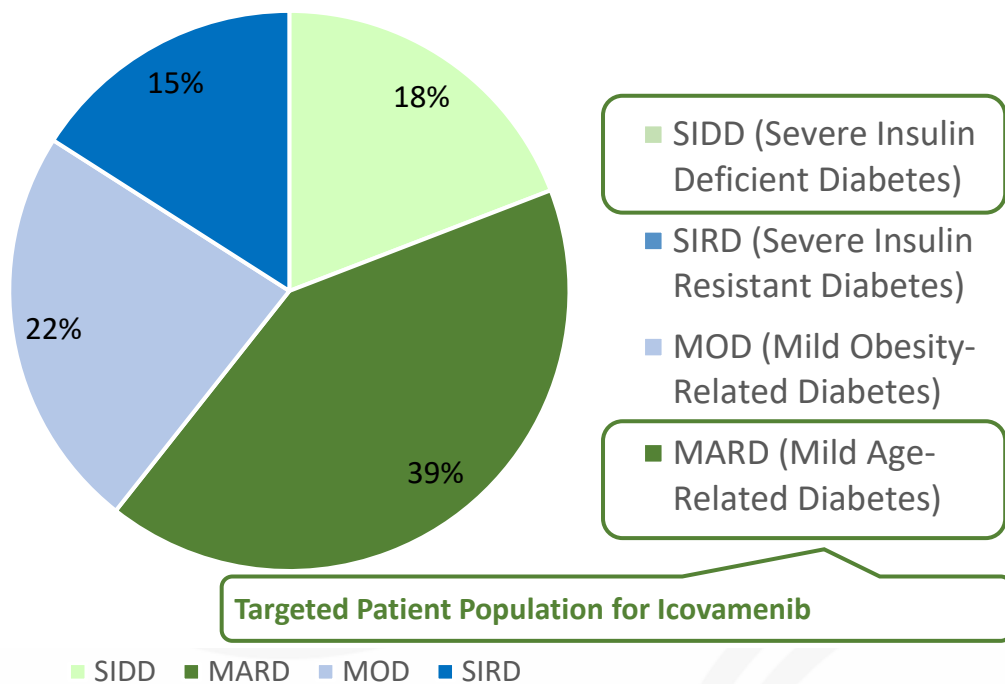
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Backgrounder – Type 2 Diabetes Subgroup Analysis

According to Diabetes Subgroup Clusters, 50%-60% T2D Patients are Beta-Cell/Insulin Deficient (– Potential Population that Benefits the Most from Icovamenib)

T2D Patient Distribution based on US Population



	Patient Distribution (%)	Age (years), Median	HbA1c (mmol/mol) Median	BMI (kg/m ²) Median	HOMA2-B (%) Median	HOMA2-IR (%) Median
SIDD	18%	55 (48-61)	67 (64-74)	29 (27-32)	49 (38-59)	2.3 (1.8-2.8)
MARD	39%	61 (55-66)	53 (49-56)	29 (26-31)	64 (53-76)	2.3 (1.8-2.7)
MOD	22%	47 (41-52)	55 (51-61)	36 (33-40)	74 (59-89)	3.1 (2.4-3.7)
SIRD	15%	59 (53-66)	53 (48-60)	34 (30-38)	101 (87-121)	4.0 (3.4-4.7)

*SIDD and MARD are characterized by low BMI, low beta-cell function/insulin production, and low insulin resistance.

DDZ Diabetes Cluster Identification Online Tool

Input: Age at diagnosis, BMF, fasting plasma glucose, fasting C-Peptide, HbA1c, sex

Input

DDZ Diabetes-Cluster-Tool
Deutsch (<https://diabetescalculator.ddz.de/diabetescluster>)

GAD-Antibodies
Not Present

Note: When GAD-Antibodies are present the person is automatically assigned to the subtype 1/SAID.

Age at diagnosis (years)
55

BMI (kg/m²)
26.9

Plasma glucose unit (mmol/l or mg/dl)
mg/dl

Fasting plasma glucose (fasting blood sugar)
227

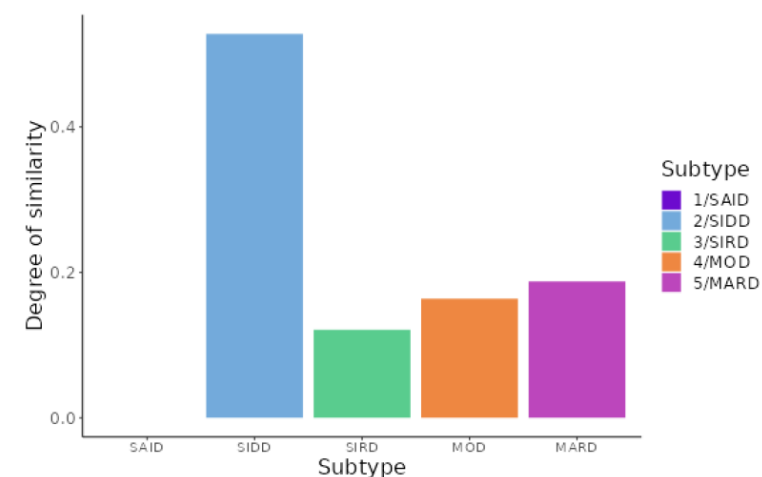
C-Peptide unit (ng/ml, nmol/l or pmol/l)
ng/ml

Fasting C-Peptide
3.63

HbA1c (%)
10.1

This person most resembles the diabetes subtype:

2/SIDD



The **DDZ Diabetes-Cluster-Tool** assigns people with diabetes to one of the five diabetes subtypes (diabetes clusters). In addition, it graphically depicts the degree of similarity to each of the five subtypes.

The diabetes subtypes are:

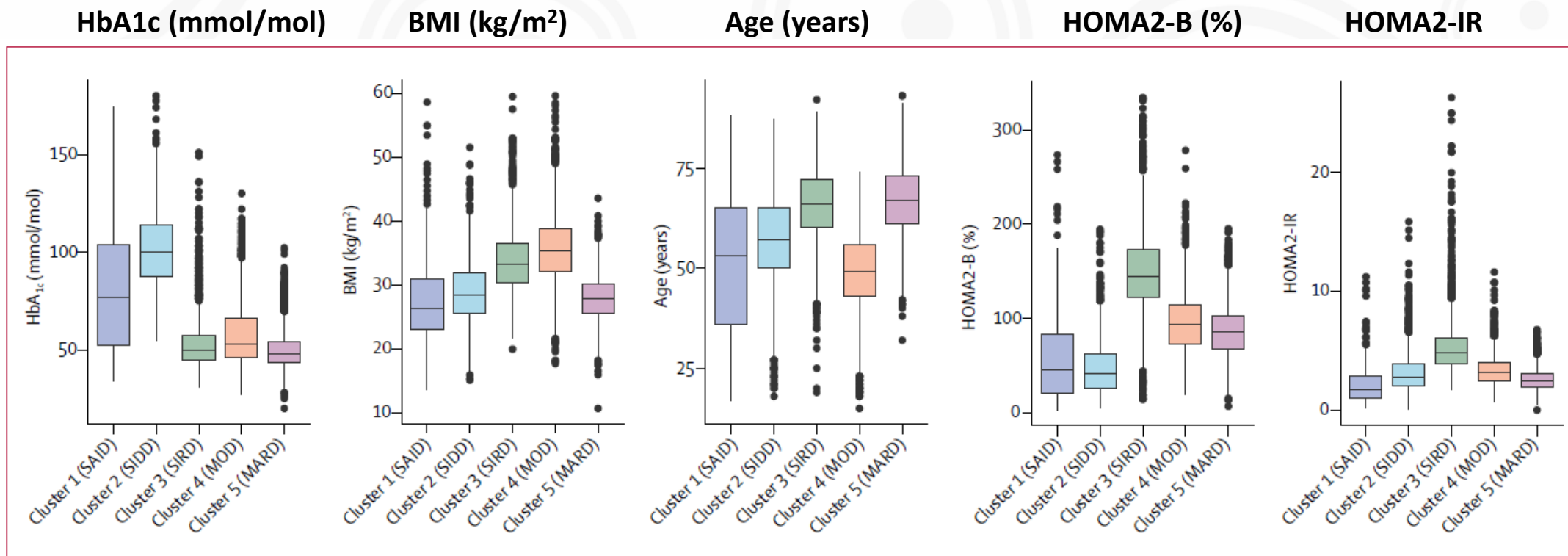
- 1/SAID: Severe autoimmune diabetes
- 2/SIDD: Severe insulin-deficient diabetes
- 3/SIRD: Severe insulin-resistant diabetes
- 4/MOD: Mild obesity-related diabetes
- 5/MARD: Mild age-related diabetes

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Five Reproducible Clusters leading to Precision Medicine in Diabetes



Cluster 1: Severe Autoimmune Diabetes (SAID)


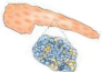



Cluster 3: Severe Insulin-Resistant Diabetes (SIRD)

Cluster 5: Mild Age-Related Diabetes (MARD)

Cluster 2: Severe Insulin-Deficient Diabetes (SIDD)

Cluster 4: Mild Obesity Diabetes (MOD)

Key Trait & Variant Associations for the 5 Subgroup Clusters

	<i>Cluster name</i>	<i>Key traits</i>	<i>Key genetic loci</i>	<i>Suspected mechanism</i>
Insulin Deficiency	 Beta Cell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↓ Fasting insulin, Insulin response to glucose stimulation ↑ Proinsulin 	<i>MTNR1B, HHEX, TCF7L2, SLC30A8, HNF1A, HNF1B</i>	Insulin processing/ secretion
	 Proinsulin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↓ Fasting insulin, Insulin response to glucose stim ↓ Proinsulin 	<i>ARAP1, SPRY2, DGKB</i>	Insulin synthesis
Insulin Resistance	 Obesity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↑ Fasting insulin ↑ BMI, %Body Fat, Waist Circ, Hip Circ 	<i>FTO, MC4R, NRXN3</i>	Obesity-mediated IR
	 Lipodystrophy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↑ Fasting insulin ↓ BMI, %Body Fat, HDL 	<i>IRS1, GRB14, PPARG, LYPLAL1, ANKRD55</i>	Fat distribution- mediated IR
	 Liver/Lipid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↑ Fasting insulin ↓ Triglycerides, palmitoleic acid, linolenic acid 	<i>GCKR, TM6SF2, HLA.DQA1, PNPLA3</i>	Liver/lipid metabolism

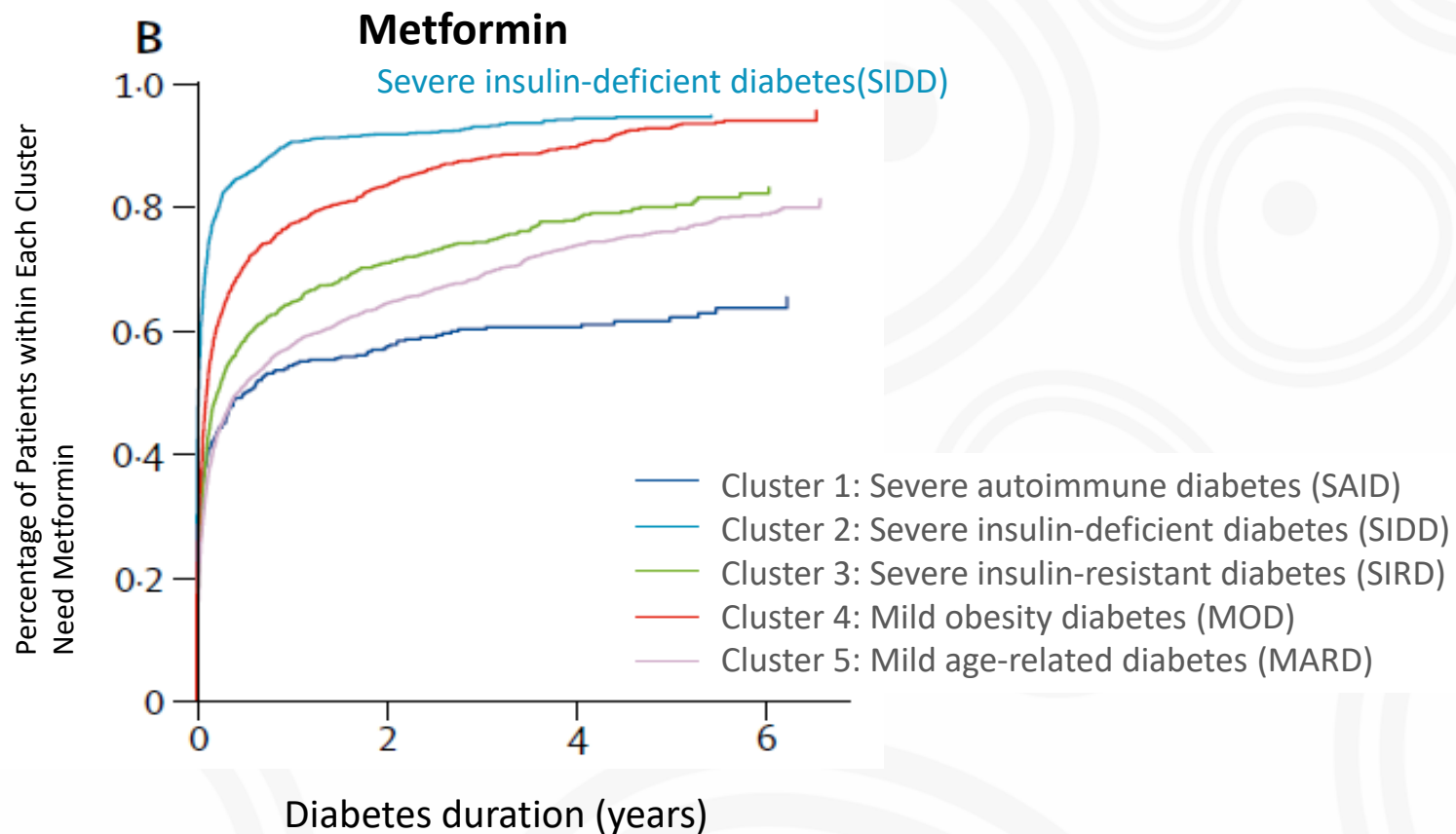
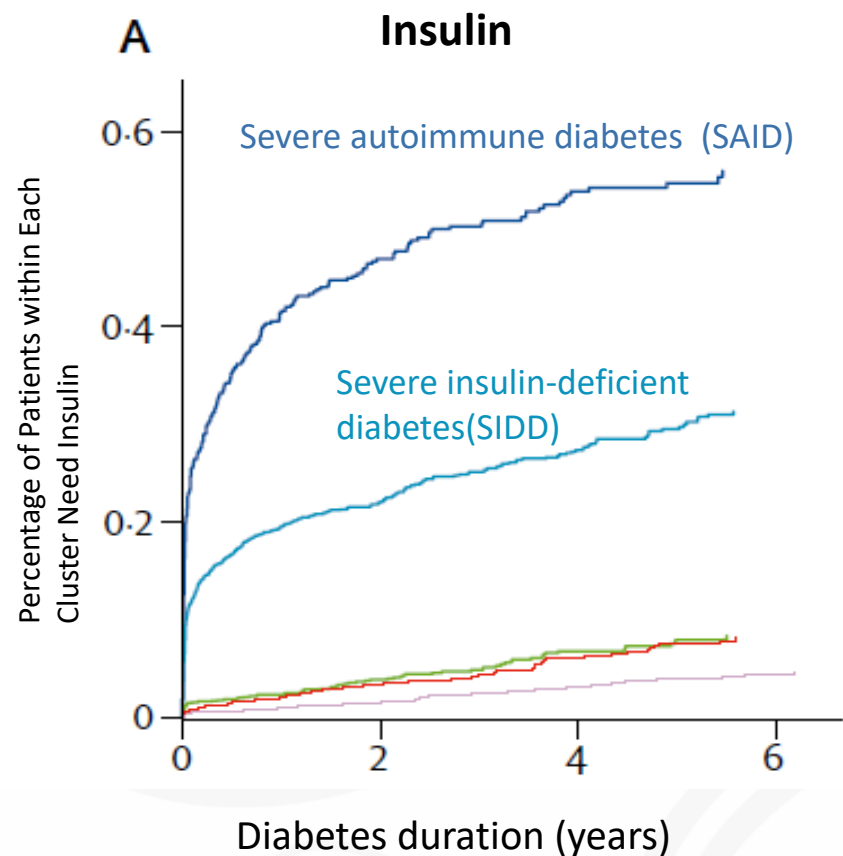
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Significant Number of Diabetes Patients Are Insulin-Dependent

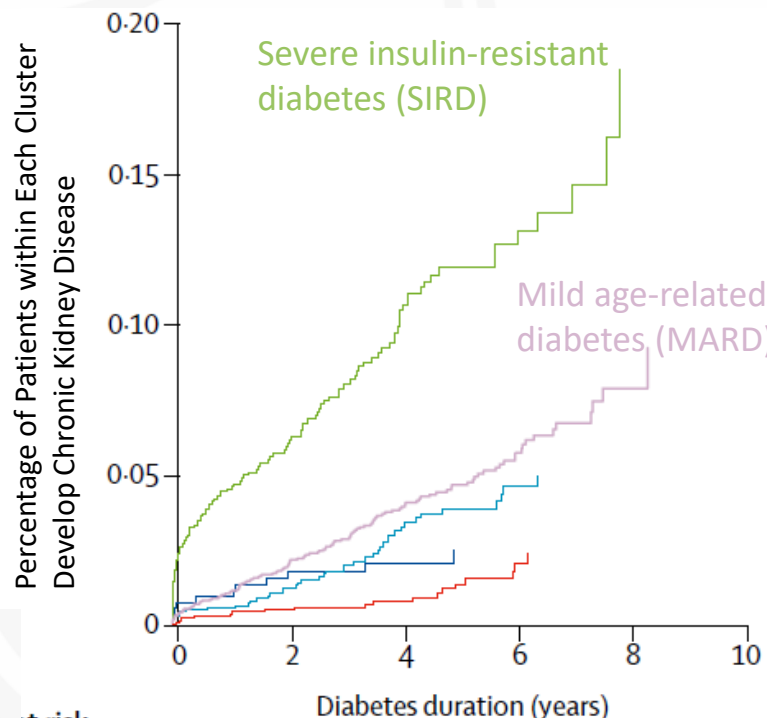
~30% Severe Insulin-Deficient Diabetes Patients (SIID) are Insulin Dependent by Year 5 of Diagnosis

~90% of the Severe Insulin Deficient Diabetes Patients are Metformin Dependent by Year 2 of Diagnosis

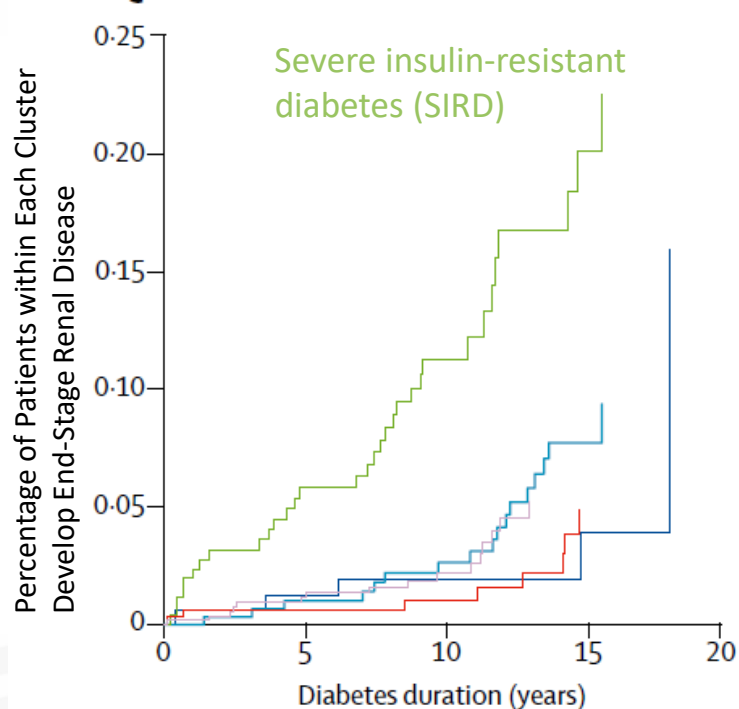


Diabetes Subgroup Clusters Provide a More Precise Clinically Useful Stratification towards Precision Medicine in Diabetes

Chronic Kidney Disease



End-Stage Renal Disease



Severe insulin-resistance diabetes patients have the highest risk of developing chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease.

- Cluster 1: Severe autoimmune diabetes (SAID)
- Cluster 2: Severe insulin-deficient diabetes (SIDD)
- Cluster 3: Severe insulin-resistant diabetes (SIRD)
- Cluster 4: Mild obesity diabetes (MOD)
- Cluster 5: Mild age-related diabetes (MARD)

Relevant Literature

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