

# T1DM Screening and Management

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# Objectives

- 1. Understand the Screening Criteria for T1DM and Identifying Individuals at Risk for Type 1 Diabetes**
- 2. Review Evidence-Based Management of T1DM and Optimizing Glycemic Control in T1DM**
- 3. Recognize Complications and Comorbidities and Managing Acute and Long-Term Complications in T1DM**

# T1D Staging System



**Stage 1 (normoglycemia, positive antibodies, asymptomatic)**



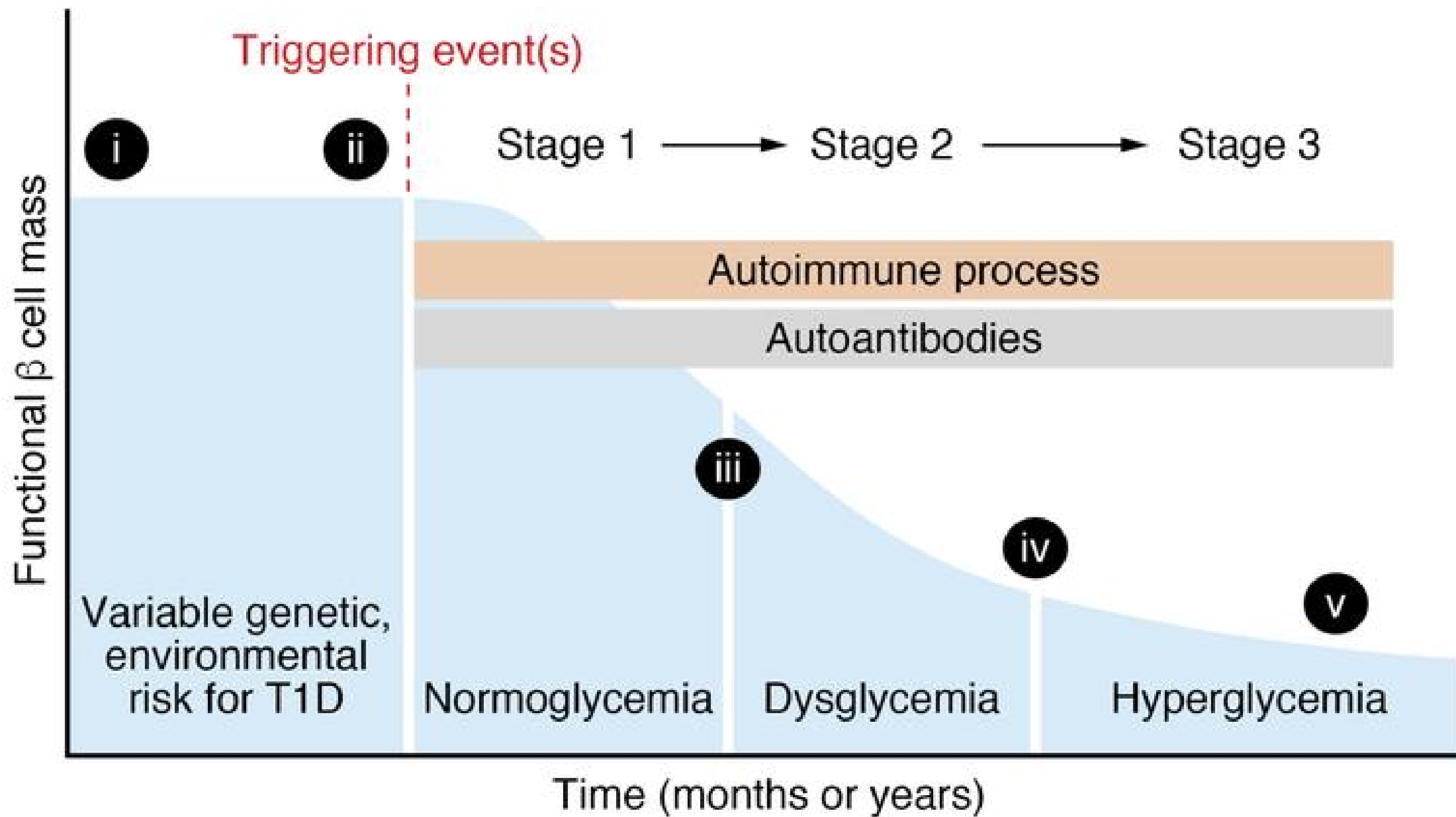
**Stage 2 (dysglycemia, positive antibodies)**

Beta cell destruction continues.  
Blood sugar levels may become slightly elevated.  
Still no obvious symptoms, but may experience subtle changes such as increased thirst or urination.



**Stage 3 (clinical diagnosis)**

Beta cell function is significantly impaired.  
Blood sugar levels become significantly elevated.  
Symptoms become apparent



**Understand the Screening Criteria for T1DM**

**and**

**Identifying Individuals at Risk for T1DM**

# Who to Screen?

- First-degree relatives of individuals with T1DM
- Second-degree relatives of individuals with T1DM
- High-risk individuals based on genetic markers (HLA-DR3/DR4) or those with a personal or family history of autoimmune diseases such as celiac disease and thyroid disorders (e.g., Hashimoto's or Graves' disease).

# How to Screen?

- Screening may be done by detection of autoantibodies
- **GAD** – Glutamic Acid Decarboxylase
- **IAA** – Insulin
- **IA-2** – Islet antigen 2
- **ZnT8** – Zinc Transporter 8

# Type 1 Diabetes

**2.6** Screening for presymptomatic type 1 diabetes may be done by detection of autoantibodies to insulin, glutamic acid decarboxylase (GAD), islet antigen 2 (IA-2), or zinc transporter 8 (ZnT8).

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**2.7** Autoantibody-based screening for presymptomatic type 1 diabetes should be offered to those with a family history of type 1 diabetes or otherwise known elevated genetic risk. **B**

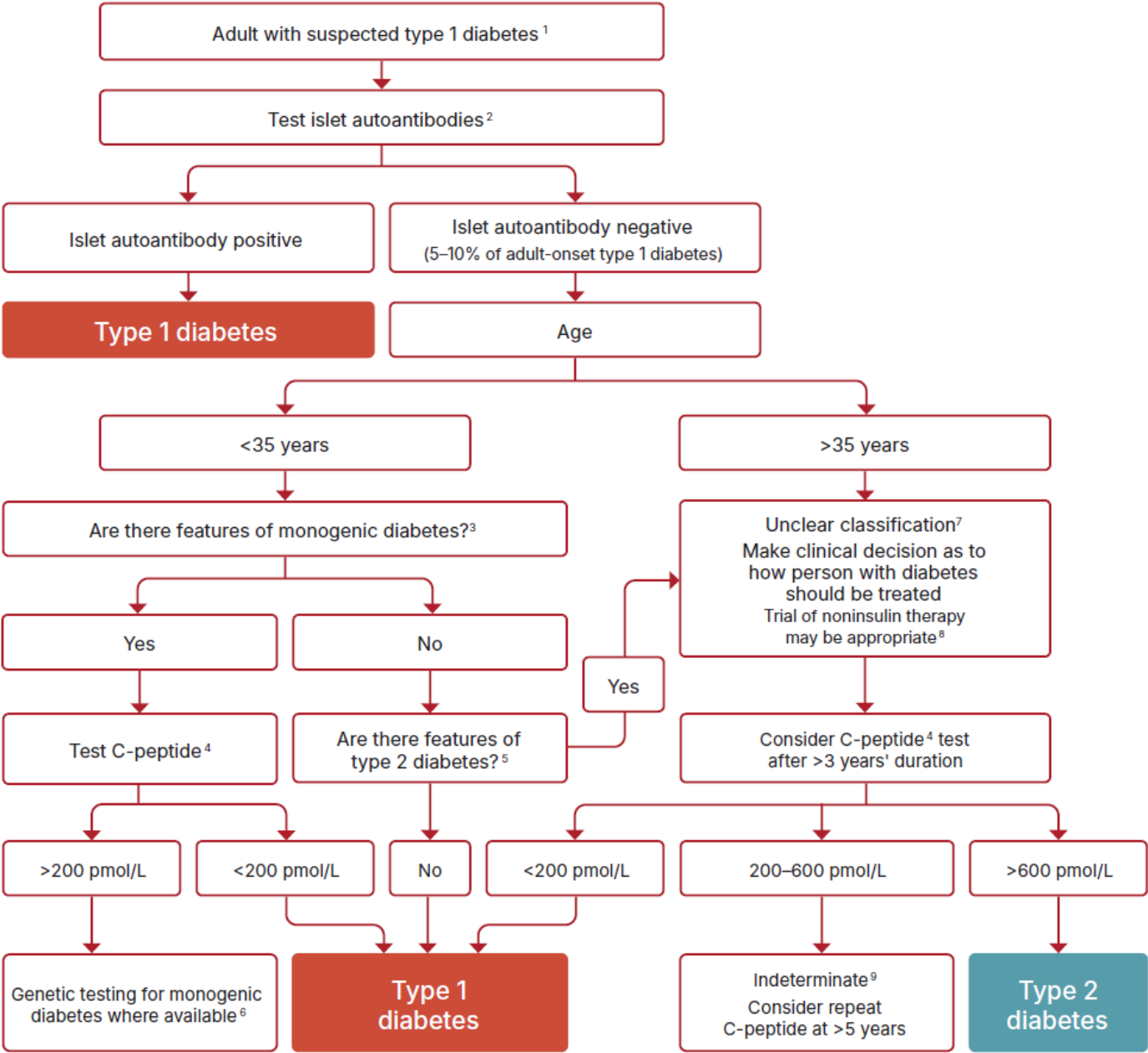
**2.8** Having multiple confirmed islet autoantibodies is a risk factor for clinical diabetes. Testing for dysglycemia may be used to further forecast near-term risk (**Table 2.4**). When multiple islet autoantibodies are identified, referral to a specialized center for further evaluation and/or consideration of a clinical trial or approved therapy to potentially delay development of clinical diabetes should be considered. **B**

**2.9** Standardized islet autoantibody tests are recommended for classification of diabetes in adults who have phenotypic risk factors that overlap with those for type 1 diabetes (e.g., younger age at diagnosis, unintentional weight loss, ketoacidosis, or short time to insulin treatment). **E**

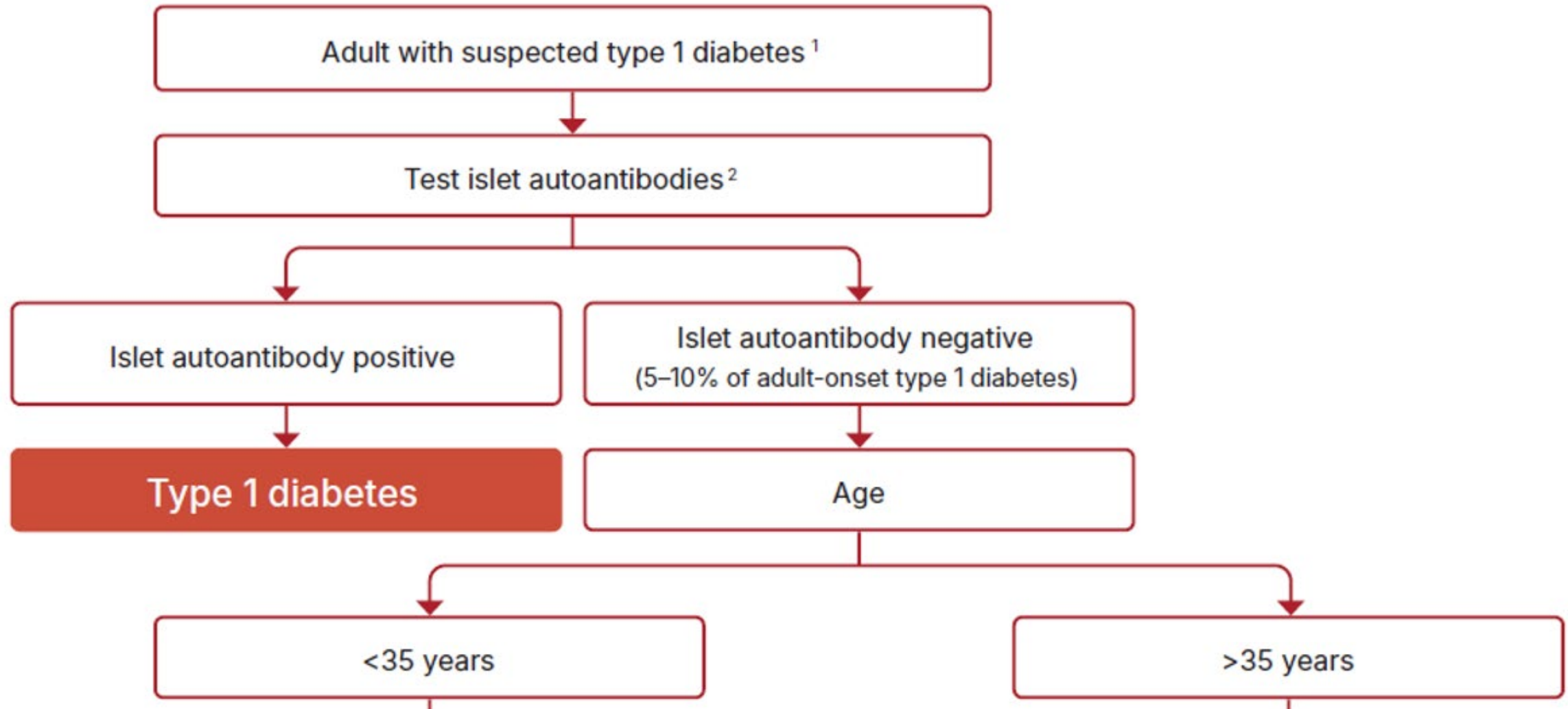


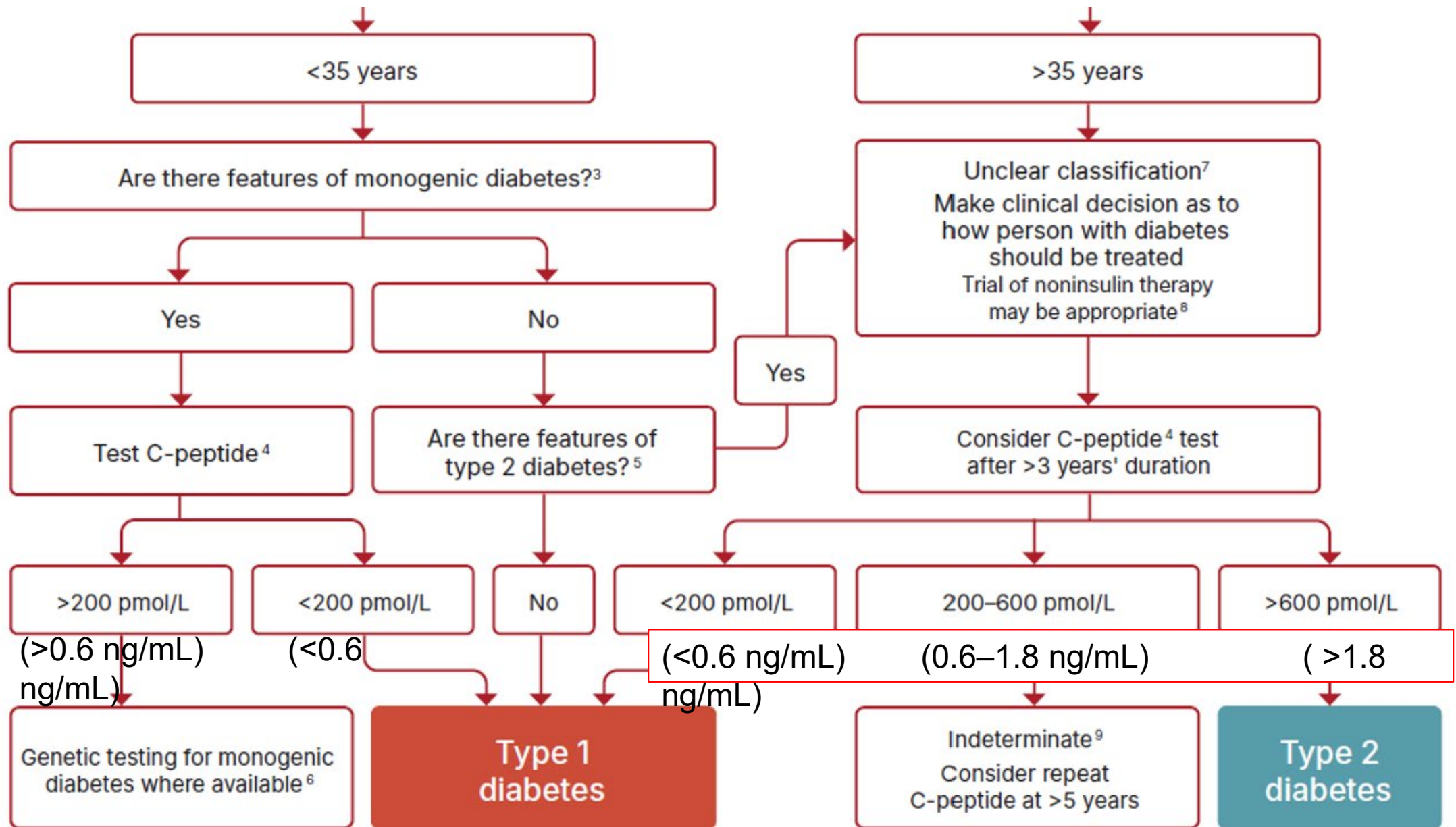
2. Diagnosis and Classification of Diabetes

Flowchart for investigation of suspected type 1 diabetes in newly diagnosed adults, based on data from White European populations



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# Why Screen?

- Early identification may allow for intervention and delay progression
- Enrollment in monitoring or prevention trials

**Review Evidence-Based Management of T1DM**

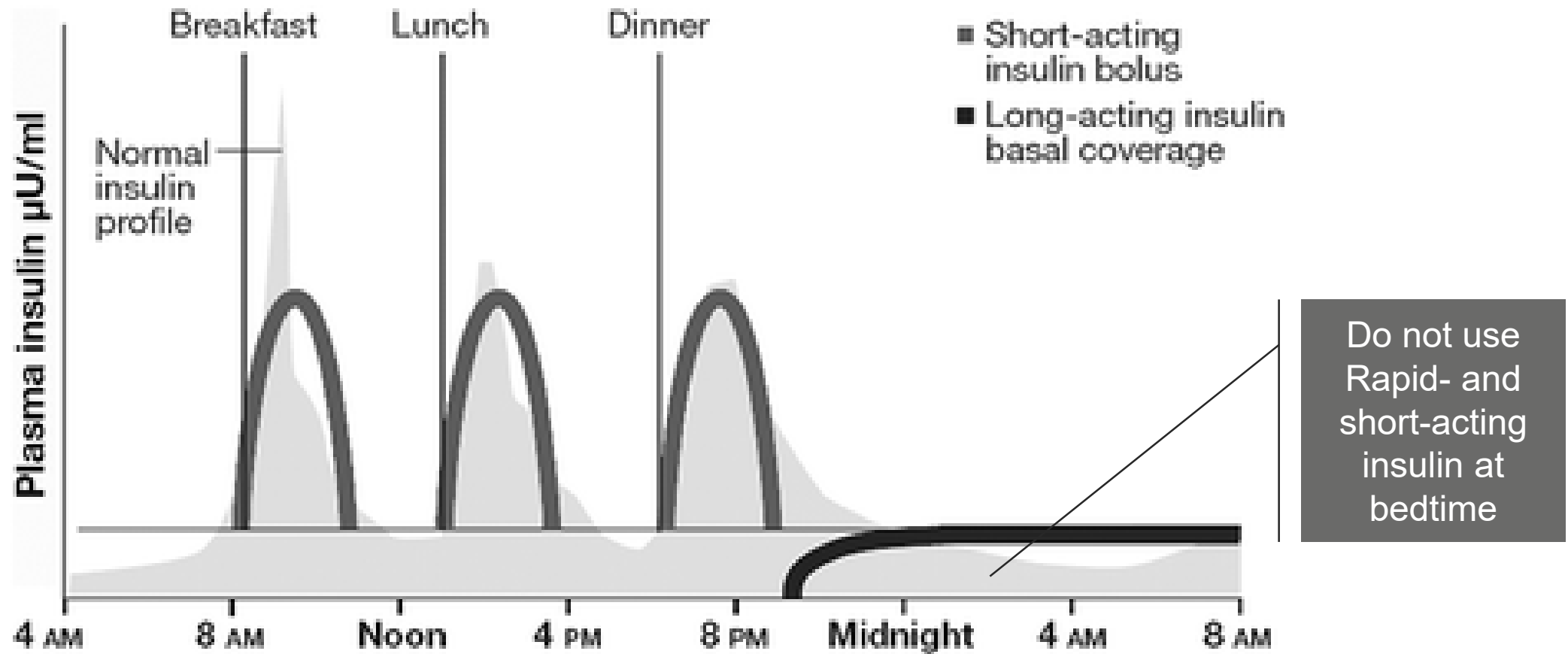
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**Optimizing Glycemic Control in T1DM**

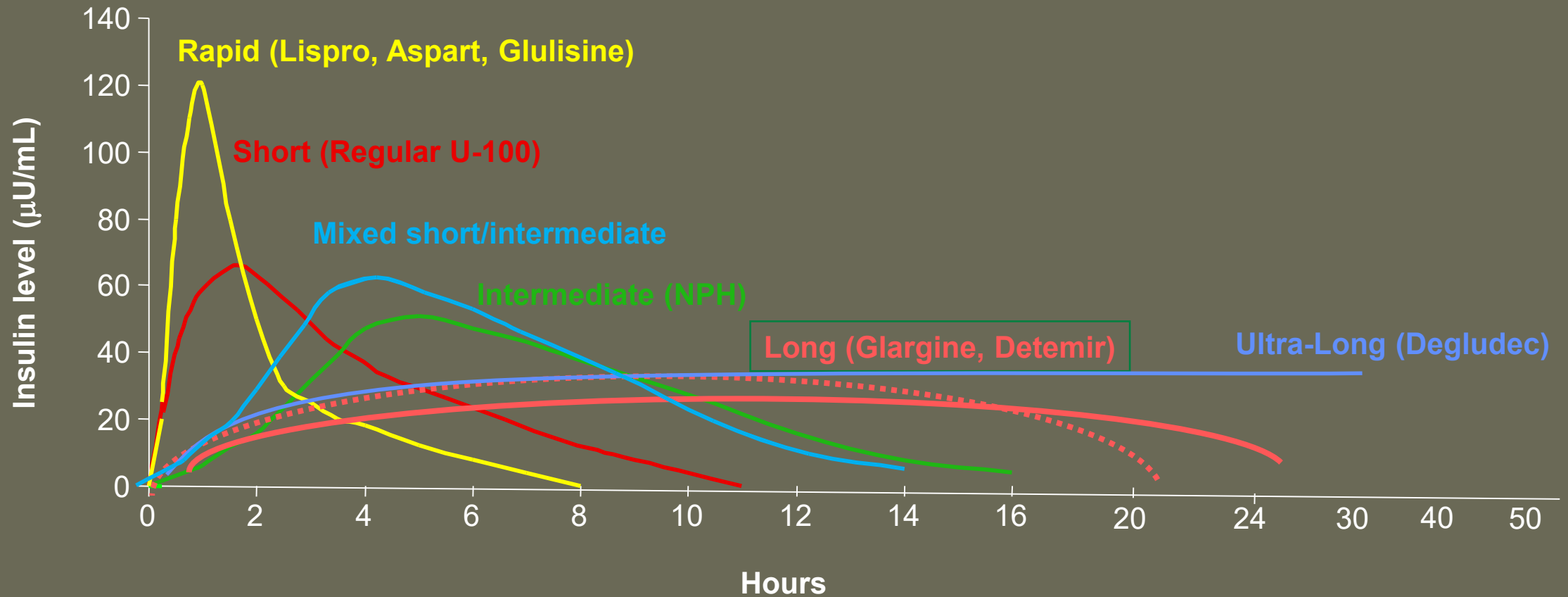
# Insulin Therapy

- Basal-bolus therapy vs. Continuous Subcutaneous Insulin Infusion (CSII)
- Importance of individualized insulin regimens

# Basal-Bolus use



# Pharmacokinetics of Various Insulin Preparations



\*Weekly Insulin icodec-duration > 168 hrs



# Technological Advances

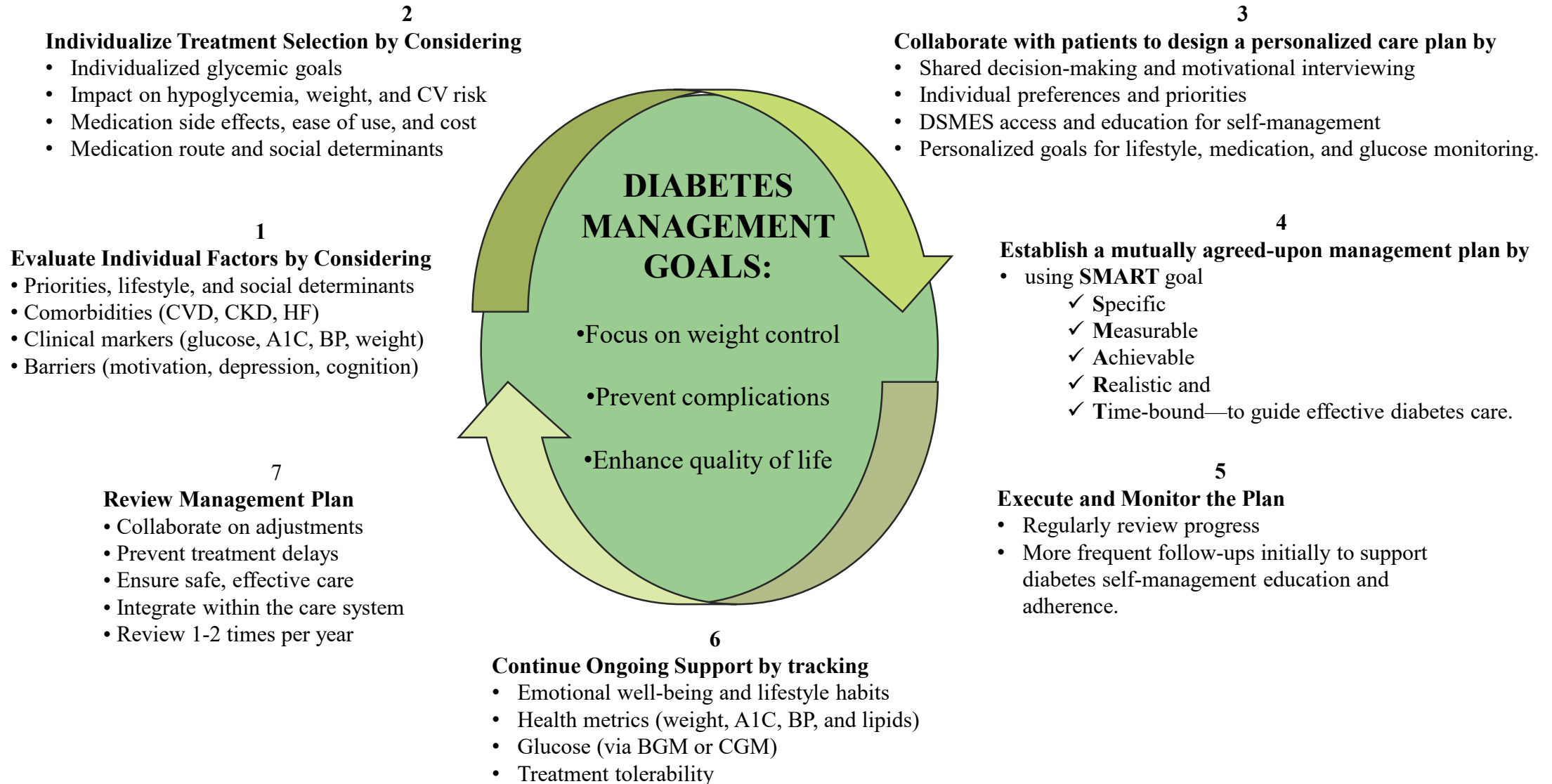
- Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM)
- Automated insulin delivery and hybrid closed-loop systems



# Primary Care Considerations

- Importance of patient education and shared decision-making
- Addressing barriers to insulin adherence and access to technology

# Decision Cycle for Individualized Type 1 or 2 Diabetes Care



\*Figure modified and adapted from ADA standards of care 2025

# FDA Approves First Drug That Can Delay Onset of Type 1 Diabetes



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Today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved Tziel (teplizumab-mzwv) injection to delay the onset of stage 3 type 1 diabetes in adults and pediatric patients 8 years and older who currently have stage 2 type 1 diabetes.

**“Today’s approval of a first-in-class therapy adds an important new treatment option for certain at-risk patients,” said John Sharretts, M.D., director of the Division of Diabetes, Lipid Disorders, and Obesity in the FDA’s Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. “The drug’s potential to delay clinical diagnosis of type 1 diabetes may provide patients with months to years without the burdens of disease.”**

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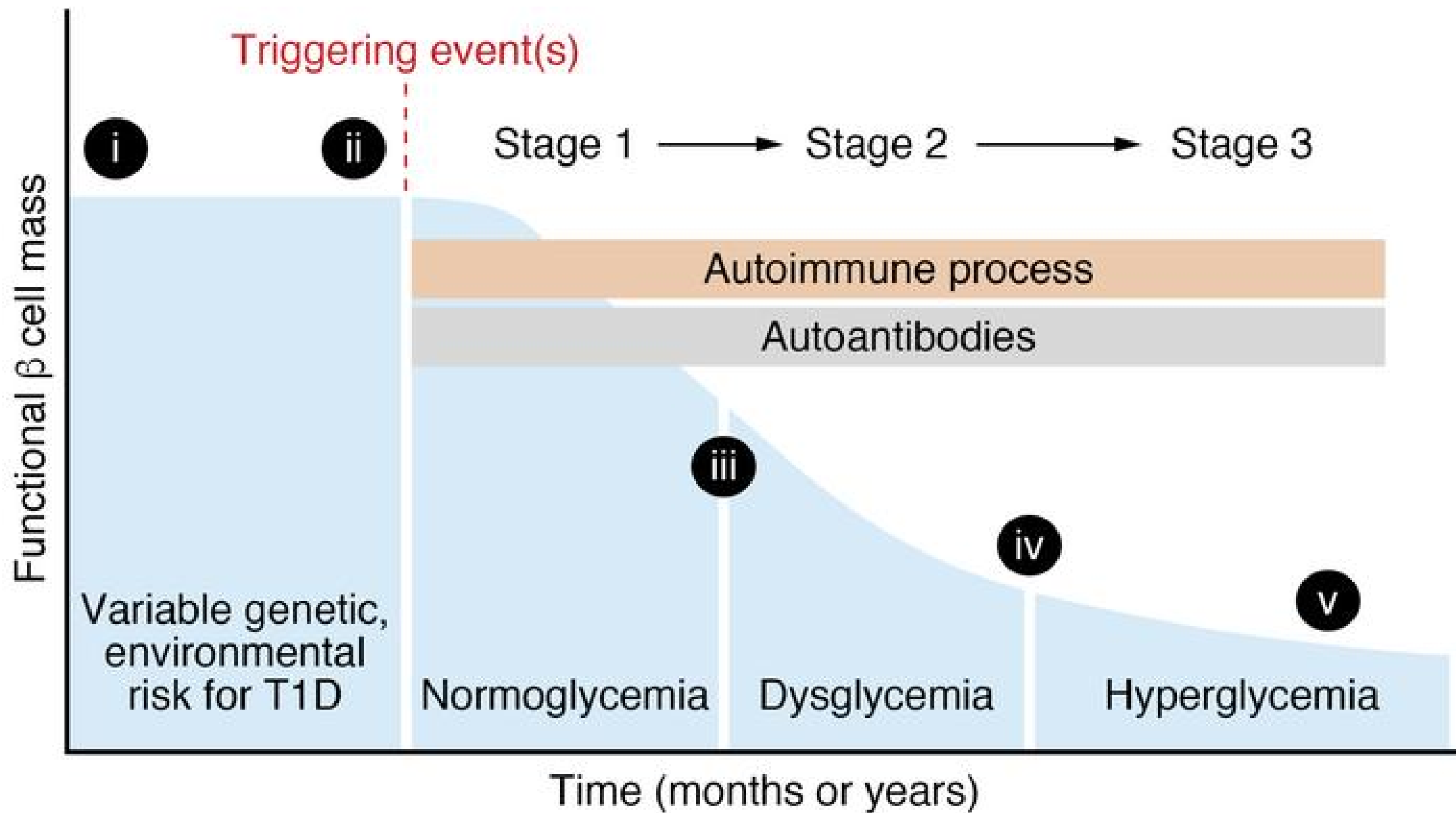
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# Teplizumab-mzwv (TZIELD)

A monoclonal antibody that modulates T cells to delay the onset of Stage 3 T1DM

- Approved for use in individuals **≥8 years old with Stage 2 T1DM**
- Binds to CD3 on T cells, reducing autoimmune attack on pancreatic beta cells.
- Shown to **delay progression to Stage 3 T1DM** by **2-3 years** in high-risk individuals.
- **14-day IV infusion** (once daily over 30 minutes).
- Lymphopenia, rash, headache, cytokine release syndrome, elevated liver enzymes.



**Recognize Complications and Comorbidities**

**and**

**Managing Acute and Long-Term Complications in T1DM**

# Acute Complications



Diabetic Ketoacidosis (DKA): Early recognition and management

Remember to if patient has T1DM before starting SGLT-2 inhibitors



Hypoglycemia: Prevention strategies and treatment



# Long-Term Complications



Microvascular: Retinopathy, nephropathy, neuropathy



Macrovascular: Cardiovascular disease risk

# Preventive Strategies



Routine screenings for complications



Lifestyle interventions and adjunctive therapies



Coordination with endocrinologists and diabetes care teams

# Routine screenings for complications

**Eye Exam (Diabetic Retinopathy):** 5 years after diagnosis, then annually.

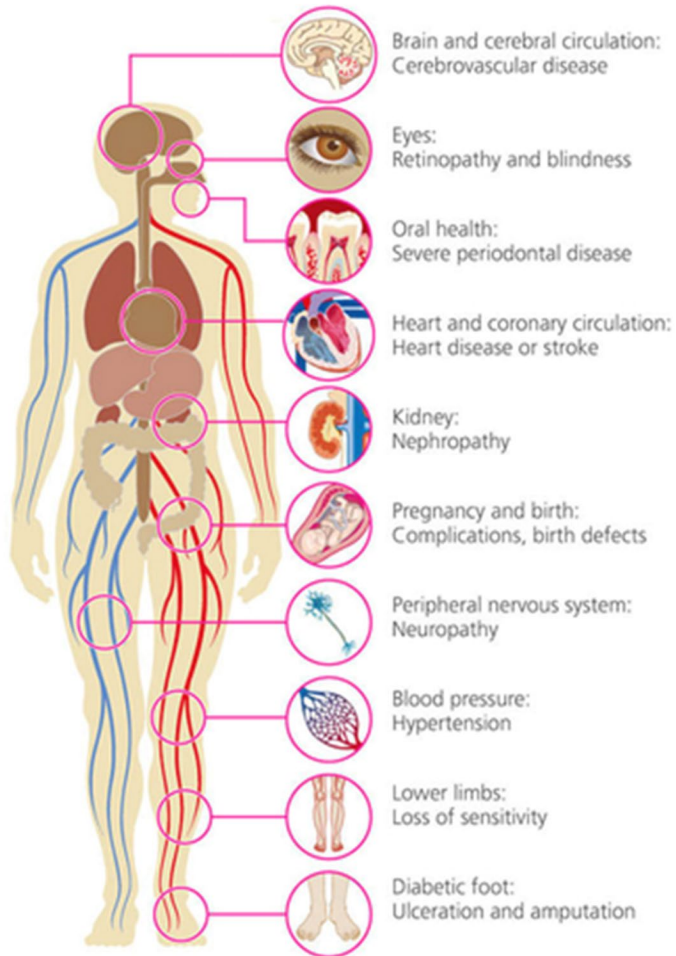
**Foot Exam (Neuropathy & Ulcers):** 5 years after diagnosis, then annually; visual inspection at every visit.

**Kidney Screening (Albuminuria & eGFR):** 5 years after diagnosis, then annually.

**Blood Pressure Monitoring:** At every visit.

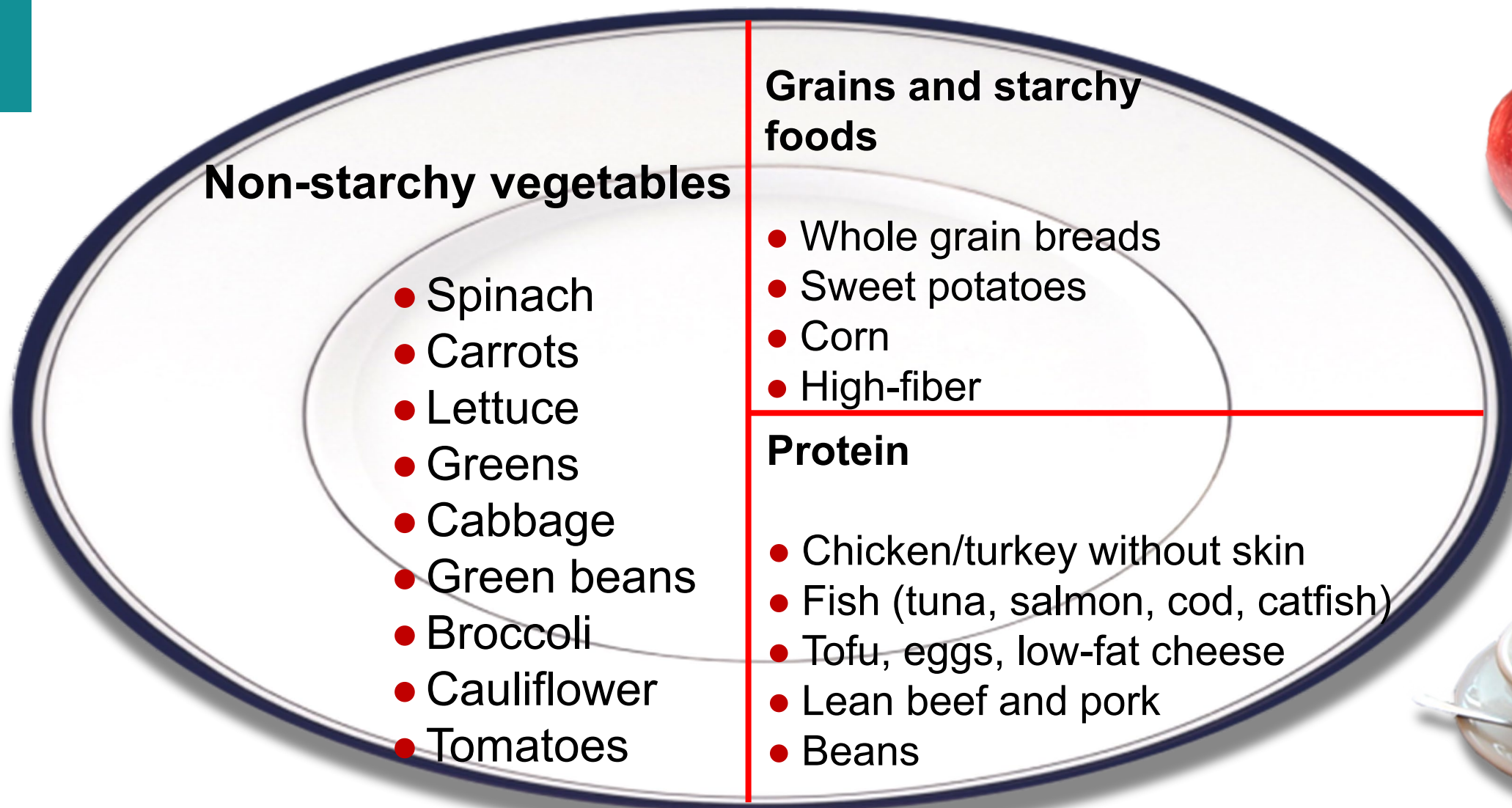
**Lipid Screening (Dyslipidemia):** At diagnosis then every 1-3 years.

# Taking Care of Diabetes Complications



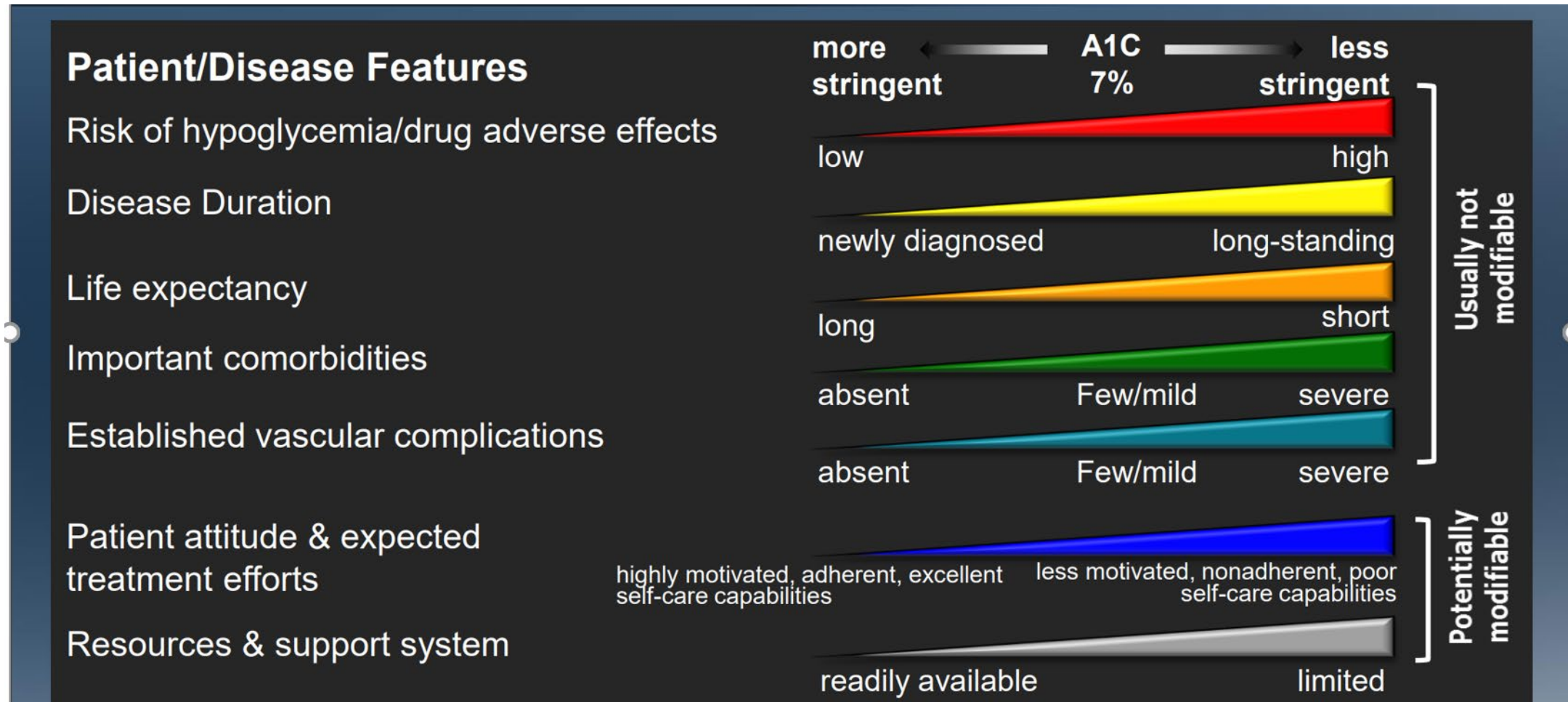
- Eye care professional for annual dilated eye exam
- Family planning for women of reproductive age
- Registered dietitian for MNT
- DSMES
- Dentist for comprehensive dental and periodontal examination
- Mental health professional, if indicated

# Achieving Healthy Eating Habits: *Plate Method*





# Approach to the Management of Hyperglycemia



Glycemic Targets:

Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes - 2018. Diabetes Care 2018; 41 (Suppl. 1): S55-S64

American Diabetes Association



