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Cardiovascular implications of incretins after SAVOR and EXAMINE in diabetes patients

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Recent publication of DPP-4 inhibitor trials, SAVOR have raised many questions related to cardiovascular concerns with heart failure hospitalization. The EXAMINE trial did find a significant increase in heart failure hospitalization. The macrovascular events were not reduced compared to the control arm with DPP 4 inhibitors. There were very low hypoglycemic events and no significant difference in pancreatitis between drug treatment group and controls.

Biography

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