



Inpatient Hyperglycaemia and it's Consequences

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Topics to Cover

- Surgical patients – US data
- Medical patients – NNUH data

Excess Mean Length of Stay in Diabetes Inpatients Aged 18 – 60 Years

269,265 Diabetes Discharges and 4,411,593 Matched Controls

	Mean LOS (days)			Excess LOS (days)			n		
	E10	E11	C	E10	E11	E10	E11	C	
Surg.	5.4 (0.1)	5.1 (0.1)	4.2 (0.2)	1.2	0.9	18,032	32,135	1,501,453	
T & O	4.8 (0.1)	5.3 (0.2)	4.6 (0.1)	0.2	0.7	8,178	12,203	885,606	
GM	4.8 (0.2)	5.4 (0.2)	4.4 (0.1)	0.4	1.0	70,988	82,446	1,709,553	
Card.	4.2 (0.1)	4.2 (0.1)	3.8 (0.1)	0.4	0.4	5,307	15,009	229,784	
MFE	4.8 (0.2)	5.6 (0.2)	4.7 (0.1)	0.1	0.1	2,444	4,549	85,197	

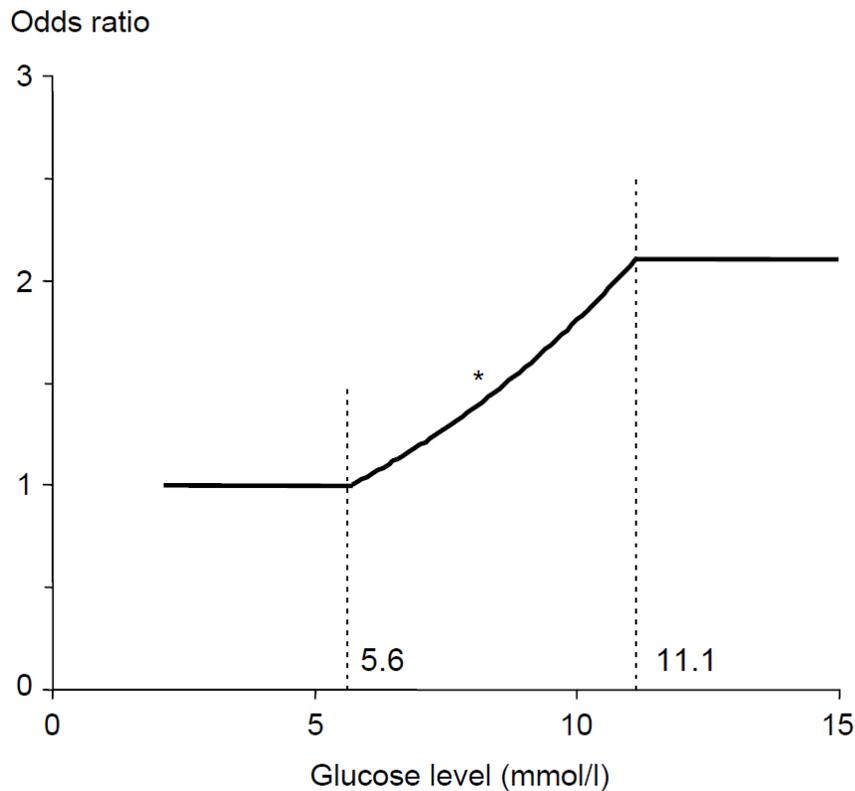
E10 = Type 1 diabetes E11 = Type 2 diabetes c = controls

English Hospitals, 4 consecutive years of discharges 2000-2004

Sampson MJ et al Diabetes Research & Clinical Practice 2007;77(1):92-98

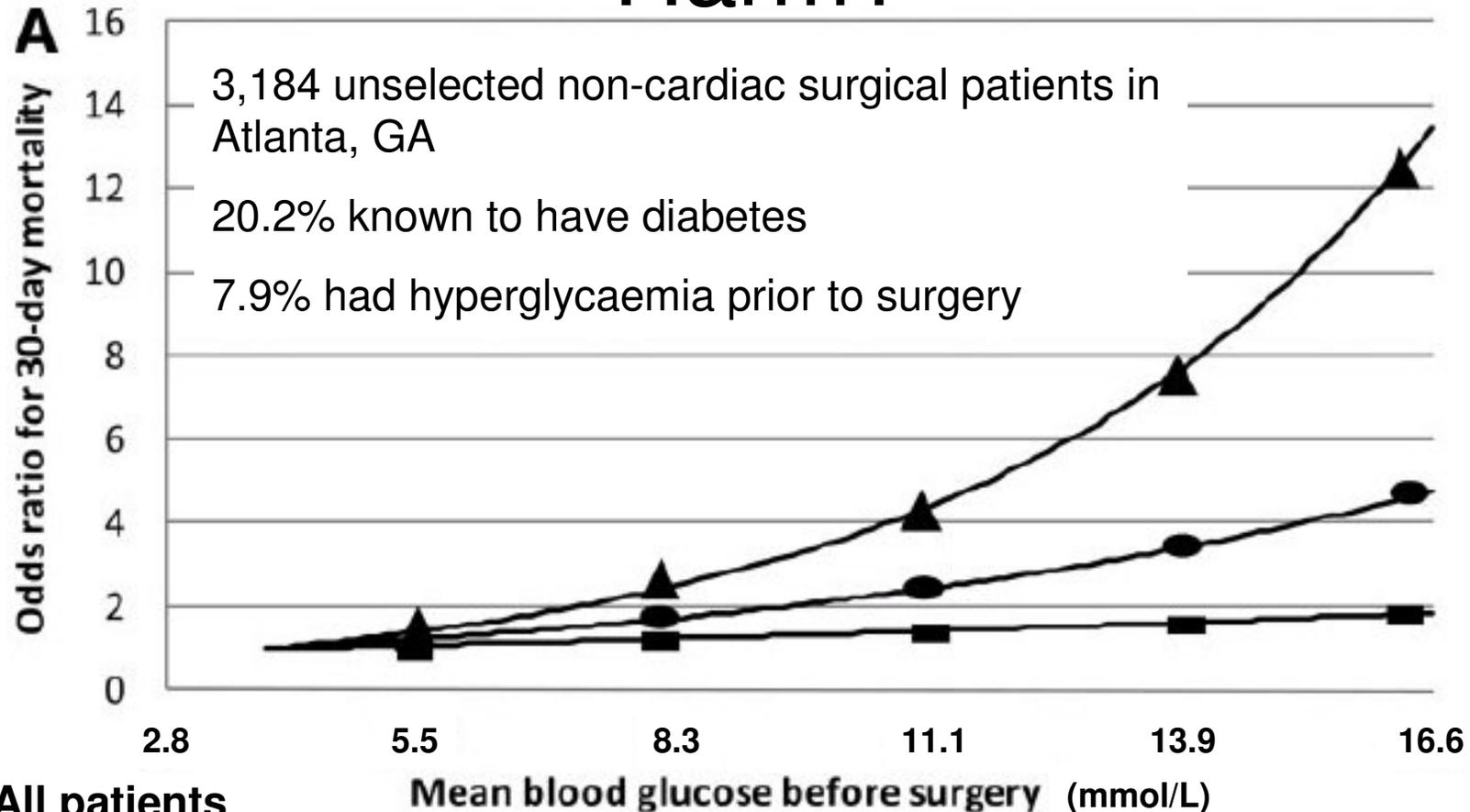
However.....

- Other data has confirmed the harm of high pre-operative glucose levels in non-cardiac, non vascular surgery



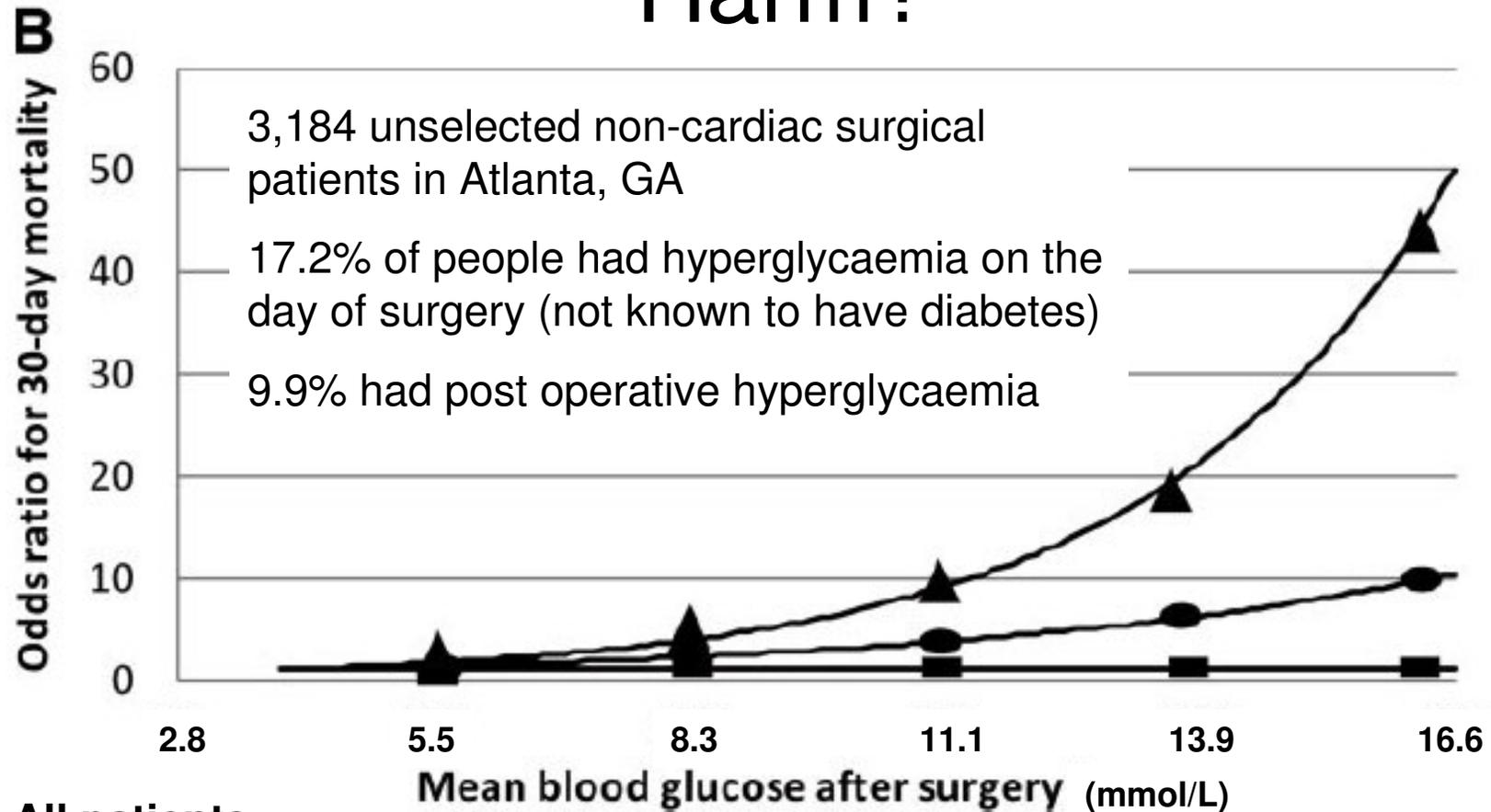
30 day mortality rates for 989 patients with diabetes – for each mmol/L increase in blood glucose, OR for mortality rose by 1.19 (CI 1.1 - 1.3)

Do High Glucose Levels Cause Harm?



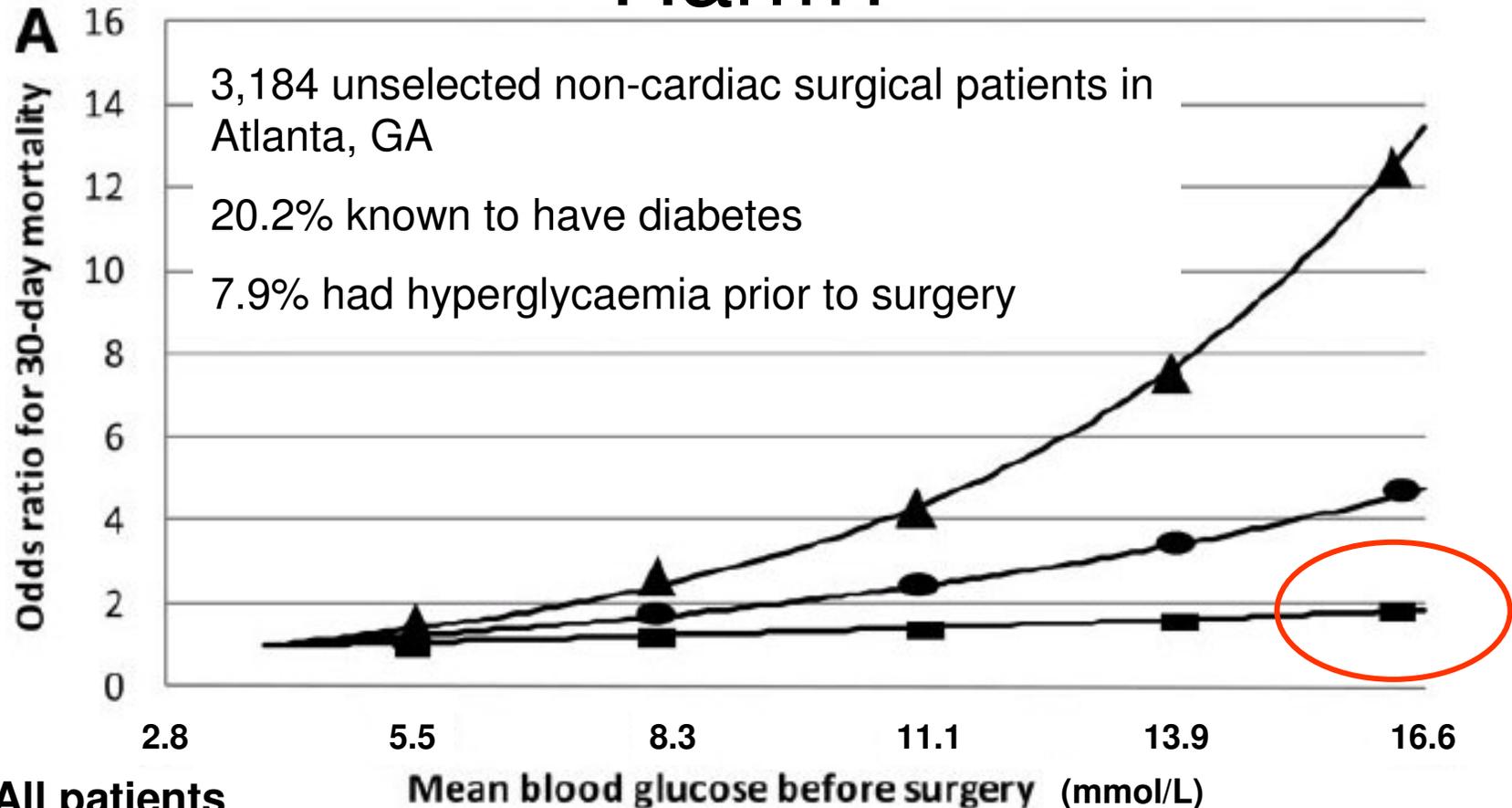
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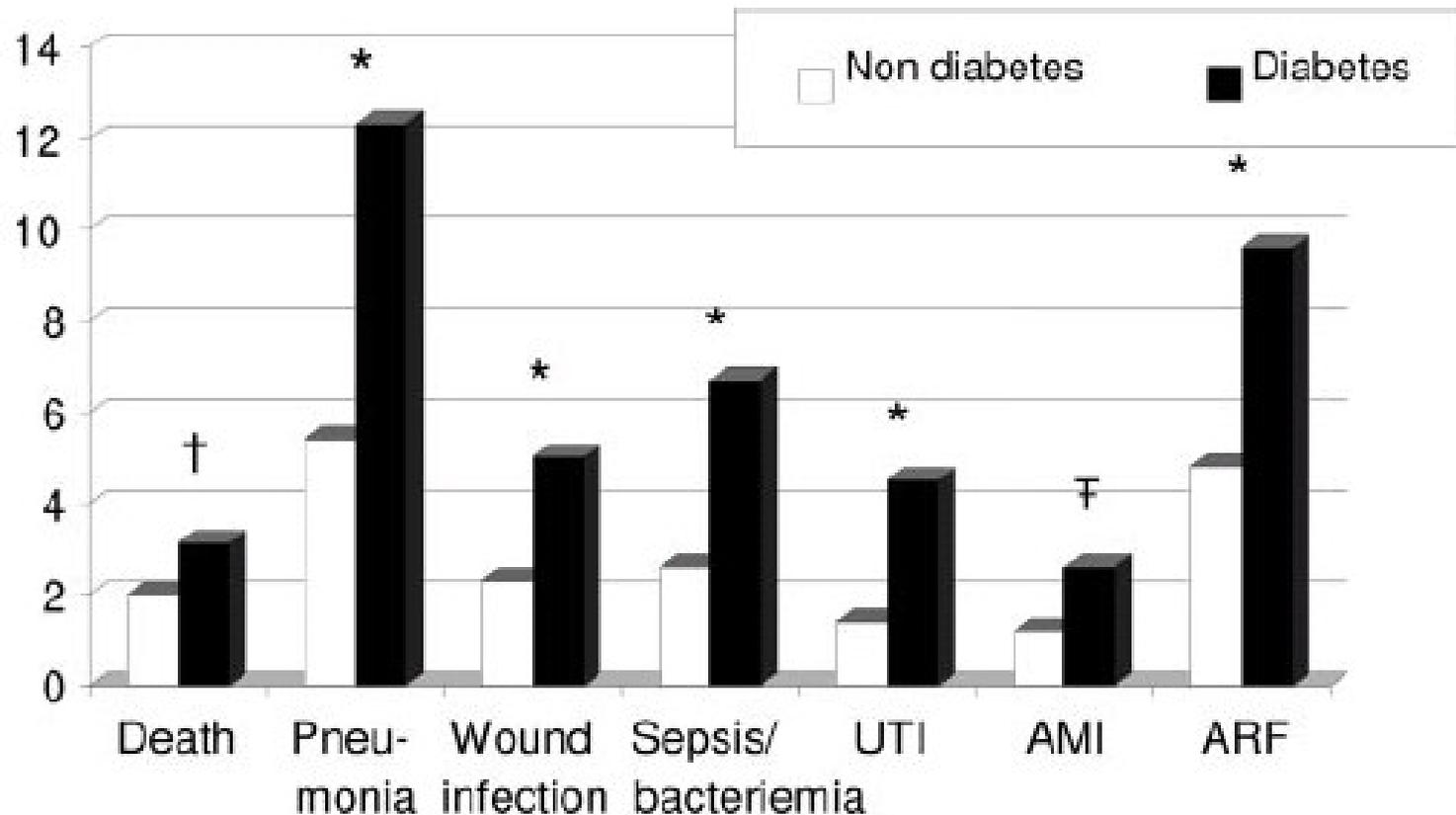


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Fortunately
There is
This.....

Diabetes UK Position Statements and Care Recommendations

NHS Diabetes guideline for the perioperative management of the adult patient with diabetes*

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for the Joint British Diabetes Societies

Diabet. Med. 29, 420–433 (2012)

The image shows the cover of an NHS Diabetes guideline. At the top, there is a horizontal timeline with five stages: 'Pre-operative Care', 'Pre-operative Assessment', 'Hospital Admission', 'Theatre and Recovery', and 'Discharge'. The NHS logo is in the top right corner, with the word 'Diabetes' below it. The main title is 'Management of adults with diabetes undergoing surgery and elective procedures: improving standards'. At the bottom right, the slogan 'Supporting, Improving, Caring' is visible. The background features a large, stylized puzzle piece graphic.

Supporting, Improving, Caring

National Guidelines

- Document divided into sections:
 - Primary care
 - Surgical outpatients
 - Pre-operative assessment clinic
 - Hospital admission
 - Theatre and recovery
 - Post-operative care
 - Discharge



Primary Care Responsibilities

- Duration and type of diabetes
- Place of usual diabetes care (primary or secondary)
- Other co-morbidities
- Treatment
 - for diabetes oral agents/ insulin doses and frequency
 - for other co-morbidities
- Complications
 - At risk foot
- Renal impairment
- Cardiac disease
- Relevant measures
- BMI
- BP
- HbA1c
- eGFR

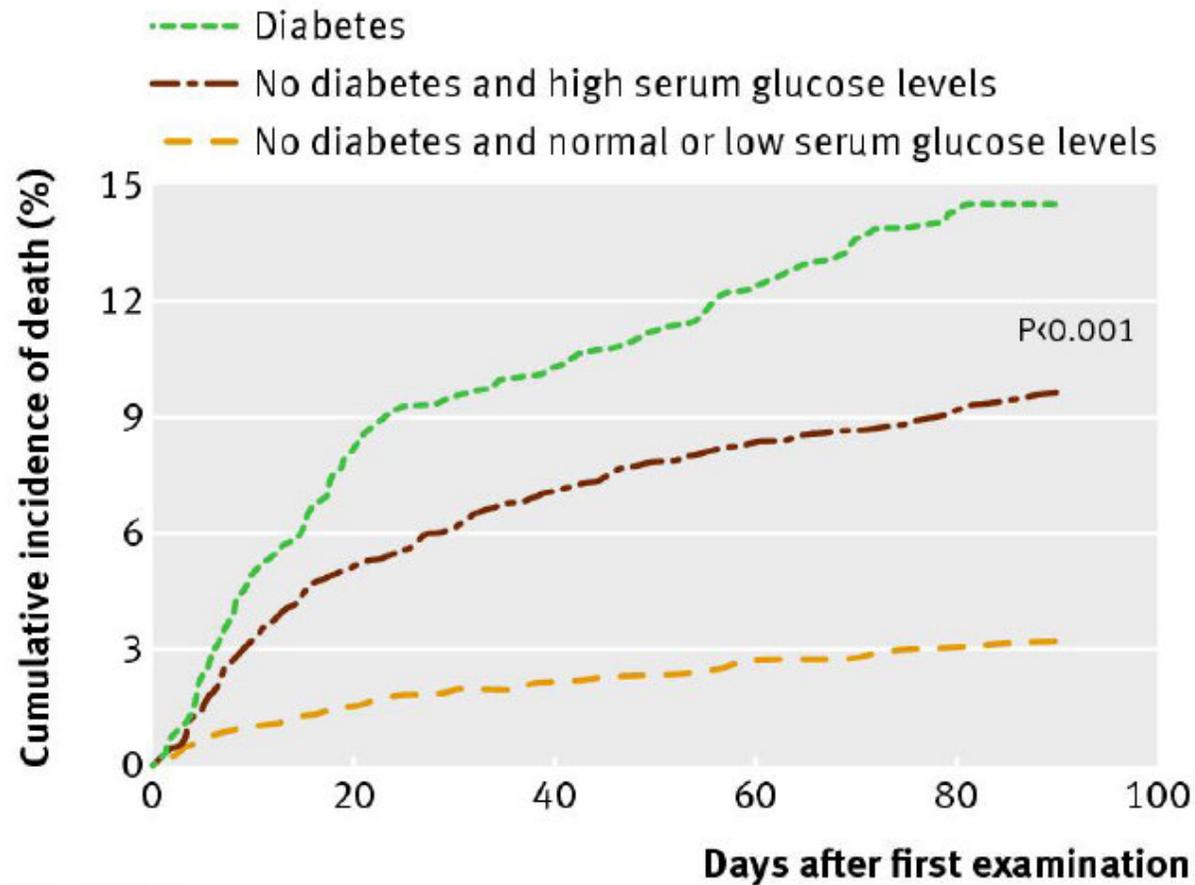


What About Medical Patients?

- 433 patients admitted with an exacerbation of COPD from St George's in Tooting in 01/02
- Absolute risk of adverse outcomes (death or prolonged stay) increased ~15% per 1 mmol/L increase in glucose

Glucose level (mmol/L)	<6.0	6.0 - 6.9	7.0 - 8.9	>9.0
Mortality (%)	11.6	15.9	21.3	31.0

Admission Glucose and Risk of Death in COPD



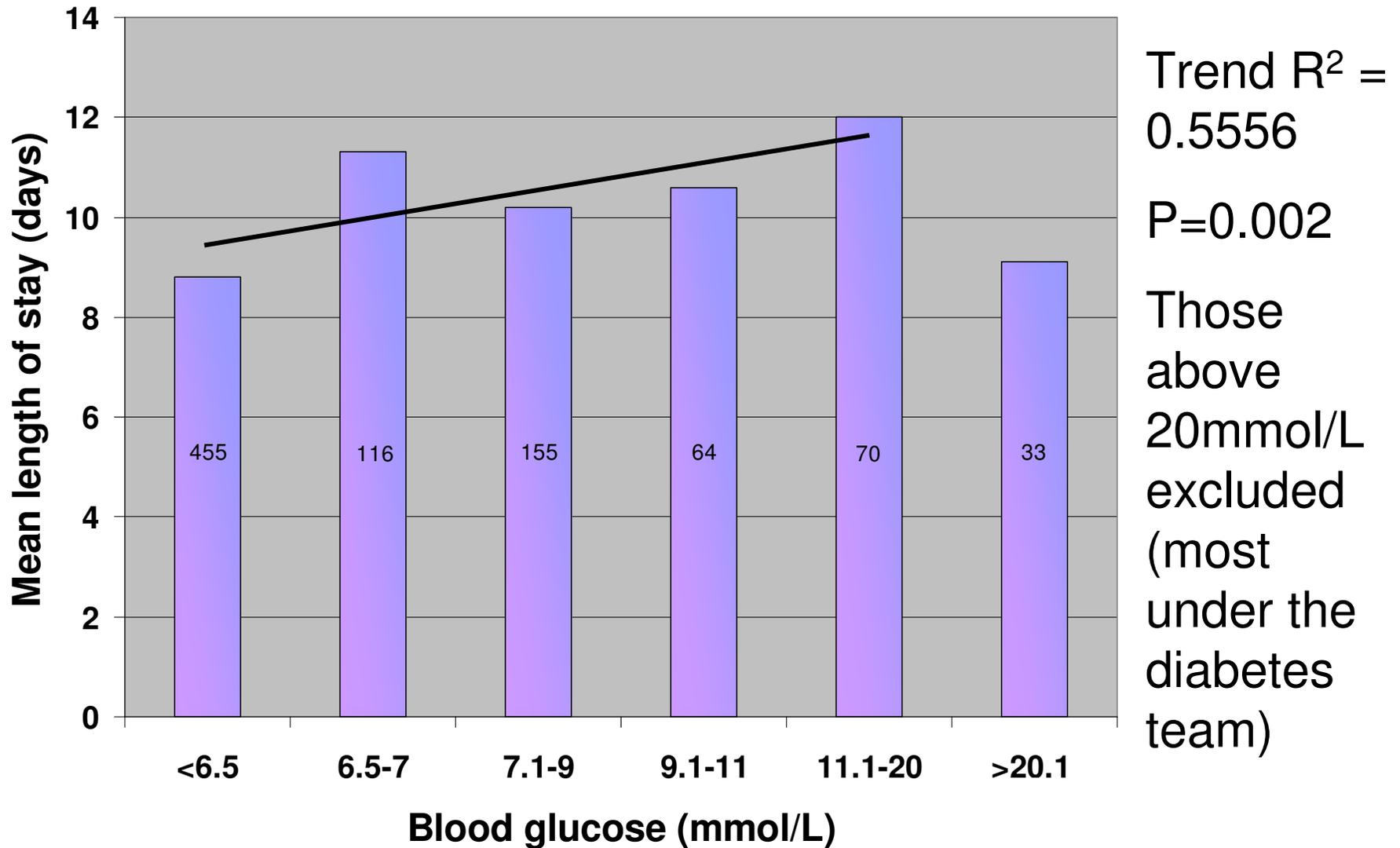
Norfolk and Norwich Data

- We analysed the data for all 1,502 patients admitted through our AMU in February 2010
- We assessed
 - admission blood glucose,
 - LOS
 - 28-days readmission and mortality
 - whether admission blood glucose ≥ 11.1 mmol/l in non-diabetic individuals was followed-up

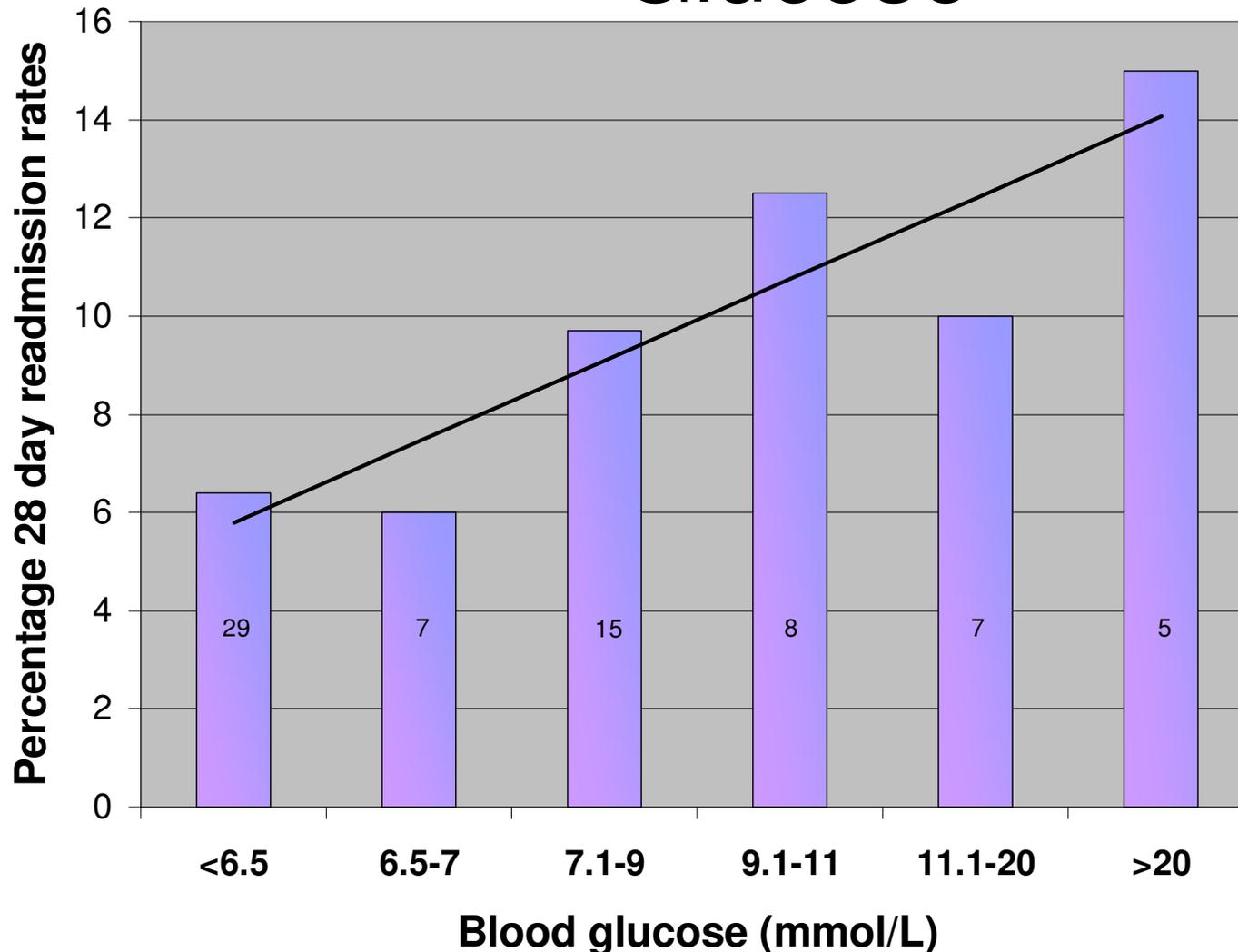
Who Admitted Them?

Specialty	Number of patients	Number with diabetes
Medicine for the elderly	577	94 (16.3%)
Cardiology	221	25 (11.3%)
Respiratory	200	28 (14%)
Nephrology	30	9 (30%)
Gastroenterology	132	18 (13.6%)
Endocrinology	30	22 (73%)
Neurology	77	12 (16.9%)
Dermatology	1	0 (0%)
Haematology	16	0 (0%)
Oncology	56	4 (7.4%)
General medicine	162	27 (16.7%)

LOS vs Admission Glucose



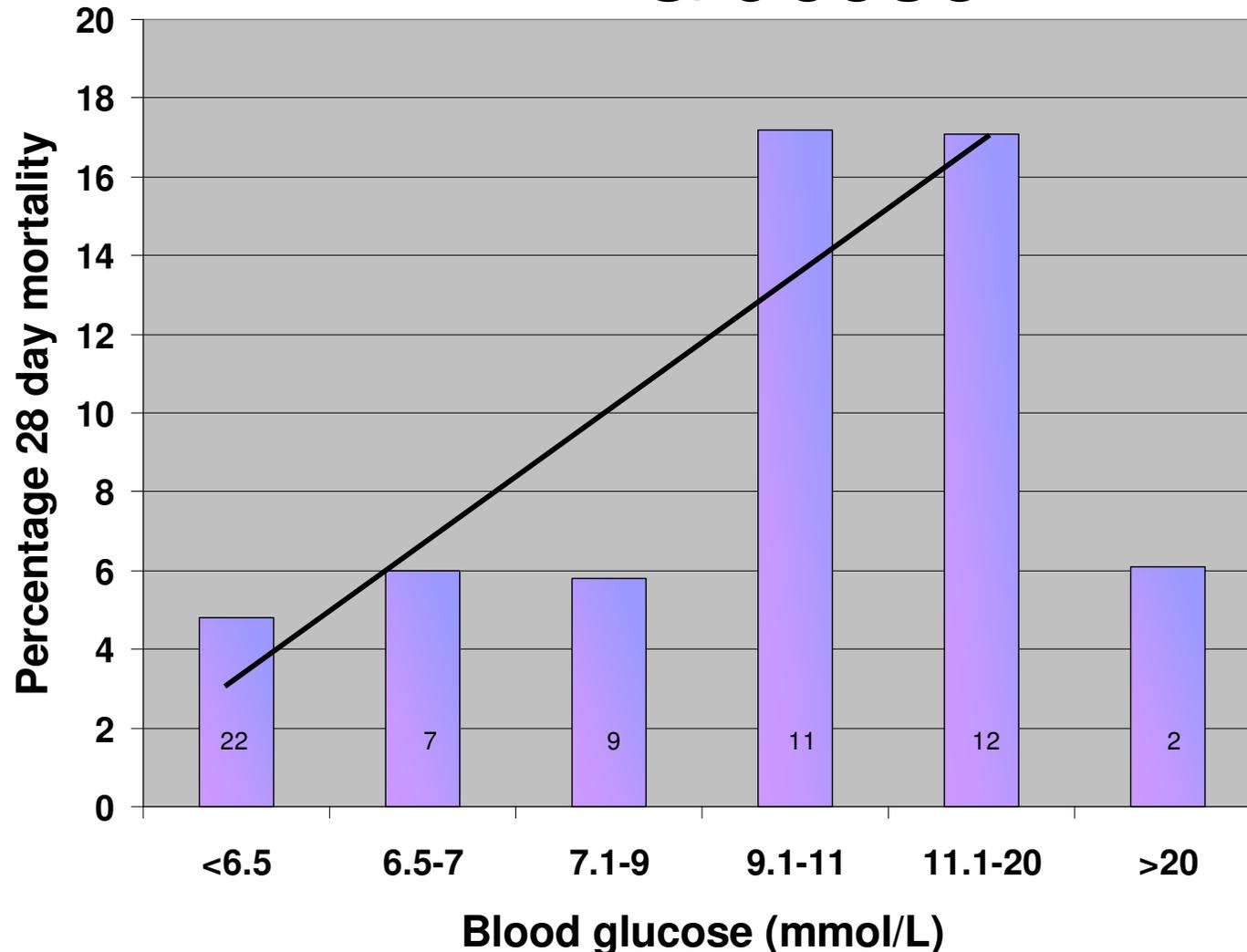
28 Day Readmission vs Admission Glucose



Trend $R^2 = 0.7918$

Of the 1,502 admissions in February 2010, 71 (4.73%) were readmitted within 28 days

28 Day Mortality vs Admission Glucose



Trend $R^2 = 0.7874$

$P < 0.0001$

Of the 1,502 admissions in February 2010, 63 (4.19%) died within 28 days

Documents to Help

Joint British Diabetes Societies
Inpatient Care Group

The Hospital Management of
Hypoglycaemia in Adults
with Diabetes Mellitus

Management of adults with
diabetes undergoing surgery and
elective procedures:
improving standards

Self-management of
diabetes in hospital

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SPECIAL FEATURE

Clinical Practice Guideline

**Management of Hyperglycemia in Hospitalized
Patients in Non-Critical Care Setting: An Endocrine
Society Clinical Practice Guideline**

(J Clin Endocrinol Metab 97: 16–38, 2012)

What is Lacking?

- Interventional studies to show that lowering glucose makes a difference to outcomes
- The will to make this happen

What Can You Do?

- Ensure that all patients with diabetes on your list are labelled as having diabetes
- Ensure that if a patient is referred for surgery, that you or your GP colleagues give all of the relevant information on the referral letters
- Try to optimise their glycaemic control prior to referral for surgery



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