

SUPPLEMENTARY APPENDIX

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Ethical Approval and Trial Registration

The study was approved by the Institutional Review Boards at Kokura Medical Association, University of Occupational Health, and Fujisawa City Hospital, Japan (IRB reference number 250510 and 13060904-2), and registered with University Hospital Medical Information Network (UMIN) Clinical Trial Registry (UMIN 000010758).

Eligibility Criteria for Participation in the DPVD Study

Diagnostic criteria of impaired glucose tolerance

Fasting plasma glucose level of < 126 mg/dL [7.0 mmol/L], a 2-hour plasma glucose level of 140 to 199 mg/dL [7.8 to 11.0 mmol/L] during a 75-g oral glucose tolerance test, and glycated hemoglobin (HbA1c) level of < 6.5% [48 mmol/L]). Additionally, he/she should not be medicated with any antidiabetic drug.

Inclusion criteria

1. Men and women aged ≥ 30 years old.
2. Individuals diagnosed with impaired glucose tolerance.
3. Serum calcium level (corrected value) < 11.0 mg/dL.

Exclusion criteria

1. Individuals who have participated in other clinical trials.
2. Individuals who have been treated with active vitamin D, vitamin D supplement, and/or calcium preparation within the preceding 3-month period.
3. Individuals who have already been diagnosed with type 1 or 2 diabetes.
4. Individuals in whom drug treatment for pre-diabetes has been initiated.
5. Individuals who are pregnant or have severe diseases, such as renal insufficiency (serum creatinine > 1.5 mg/dL), hepatic insufficiency, psychosis, collagen diseases, heart diseases, and/or cerebrovascular diseases.
6. A sub-investigator may preclude participant involvement in the study based on screening and assessment of the participants' condition.

Statistical Analyses

Subjects for analyses of effectiveness and safety

The intention-to-treat population, comprising all participants who undergo randomization and receive at least one dose of the study drug, will be analyzed for effectiveness and safety. In this analysis plan, the data set is called the full analysis set (FAS). The per protocol set (PPS), comprising all participants who undergo randomization and adhere to the inclusion and exclusion criteria, is defined as the secondary population for sensitivity analysis. A sensitivity analysis to assess non-informative censoring was conducted as an evaluation of the robustness of the primary analysis result.

Imputation method for missing data

The last observation carried forward (LOCF) method was originally used for participants who do not complete the follow-up period. However, we amended it to multiple imputation (MI) method for time-trends analyses.

Handling of discontinuation data

In FAS, all values that are measured before discontinuation will be analyzed, regardless of the point of discontinuation. In PPS, discontinuation within 3 months from treatment initiation is considered as a missing case. If the discontinuation occurs after 3 months, the value will be analyzed.

Handling non-adherence to treatment protocol

In FAS, regardless of the period of non-compliance to the assigned treatment, practical data will be used for analyses. In PPS, practical data will be denoted as missing data during the non-compliance period.

Handling participant use of prohibited medicine during the follow-up period

In FAS, regardless of the prohibited treatment period, practical data will be used for analyses. In PPS, practical data will be denoted as missing data during the prohibited treatment period.

Data obtained by alternate methods and/or conditions

When summing information in each specified 3-month period, data beyond the accepted observation date or data obtained by other methods or conditions are denoted as missing data. Investigators, sub-investigators, and statisticians will collectively determine whether or not data are acceptable for statistical analysis and implement remedial measures as required. Unlocking will be performed after fixing all data.

Amendments of secondary endpoints

The secondary endpoints (in the UMIN clinical trial registry on May 19, 2013)

- #1. The improvement ratio from impaired glucose tolerance to normoglycemia.
- #2. The change in homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance (HOMA-R).
- #3. The change in body weight and body mass index (BMI).
- #4. Influence of hypertension, hyperlipidemia, obesity, fasting plasma glucose, 2-h plasma glucose, 25-hydroxy vitamin D, smoking, HOMA-R, and insulinogenic index on the incidence of type2 diabetes.

The secondary endpoints (in the protocol on January 20, 2014, and in the BMJ Open on July 2016.)

- #1. The number of participants who achieve normoglycemia at 48, 96, and 144 weeks.
- #2. Hazard ratios (HRs) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) of type 2 diabetes onset in each subgroup at baseline: age, sex, presence or absence of hypertension, dyslipidemia, obesity, family history of diabetes, fasting plasma glucose, 2-h plasma glucose, 25-hydroxy vitamin D, HOMA-R, and insulinogenic index.
- #3. HRs and 95% CIs of type 2 diabetes development after adjusting for confounding factors: age, sex, presence or absence of hypertension, dyslipidemia, obesity, family history of diabetes, fasting plasma glucose, 2-h plasma glucose, 25-hydroxy vitamin D, HOMA-R, and insulinogenic index.
- #4. HRs of the incidence of adverse events.

The secondary endpoints (in the protocol on August 17, 2016)

- #1. Improving ratio from impaired glucose tolerance to normoglycemia at 1, 2, and 3 years.
- #2. Hazard ratios and 95% confidence intervals (CI) of type 2 diabetes onset in each subgroup at baseline: age (\geq / <65 years), sex (male/female), presence or absence of hypertension (systolic ≥ 140 mmHg and/or diastolic ≥ 90 mmHg), obesity ($\text{BMI} \geq$ / $<25 \text{ kg/m}^2$), family history of diabetes, FPG (\geq / $<110 \text{ mg/dl}$), 2h-PG (\geq / $<170 \text{ mg/dl}$), 25(OH)D₃ (\geq / $<20 \text{ ng/ml}$), HOMA-R (~ 1.6 / $1.61\text{--}2.49$ / $2.5\sim$), and Insulinogenic Index (\geq / <0.4)
- #3. Hazard ratios and 95% CI of type 2 diabetes development after adjusting for treatment group (eldecalcitol or placebo) and each confounding factor: age, sex (male/female), presence or absence of hypertension (systolic ≥ 140 mmHg and/or diastolic ≥ 90 mmHg), BMI, family history of diabetes (yes / no), HbA1c, fasting plasma glucose, 2-h plasma glucose, 25-hydroxy vitamin D, HOMA-R, and/or insulinogenic index.
- #4. Hazard ratios of the incidence of adverse events: active vitamin D group vs. control group

The secondary endpoints (post submission to the BMJ)

- #2. Hazard ratios and 95% confidence intervals (CI) of type 2 diabetes onset in each subgroup at baseline: age, systolic blood pressure, BMI, HbA1c, FPG, fasting IRI, 2h-PG, 25(OH)D₃, HOMA-R, HOMA- β , and Insulinogenic Index. Analysis was conducted by using continuous variables instead of dividing them into two groups. This was removed from the secondary endpoints and changed to a sensitivity analysis.

Table A. Baseline characteristics - Taking drugs that may impact glucose and bone metabolism

	Eldecacitol group (n=630)	Placebo group (n=626)	P value
Calcium blocker	8	9	N.S.
Angiotensin II Receptor Blocker	6	4	N.S.
Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitor	3	2	N.S.
β blocker	4	5	N.S.
Statin	5	3	N.S.
Fibrate	2	4	N.S.
Ezetimibe	2	1	N.S.

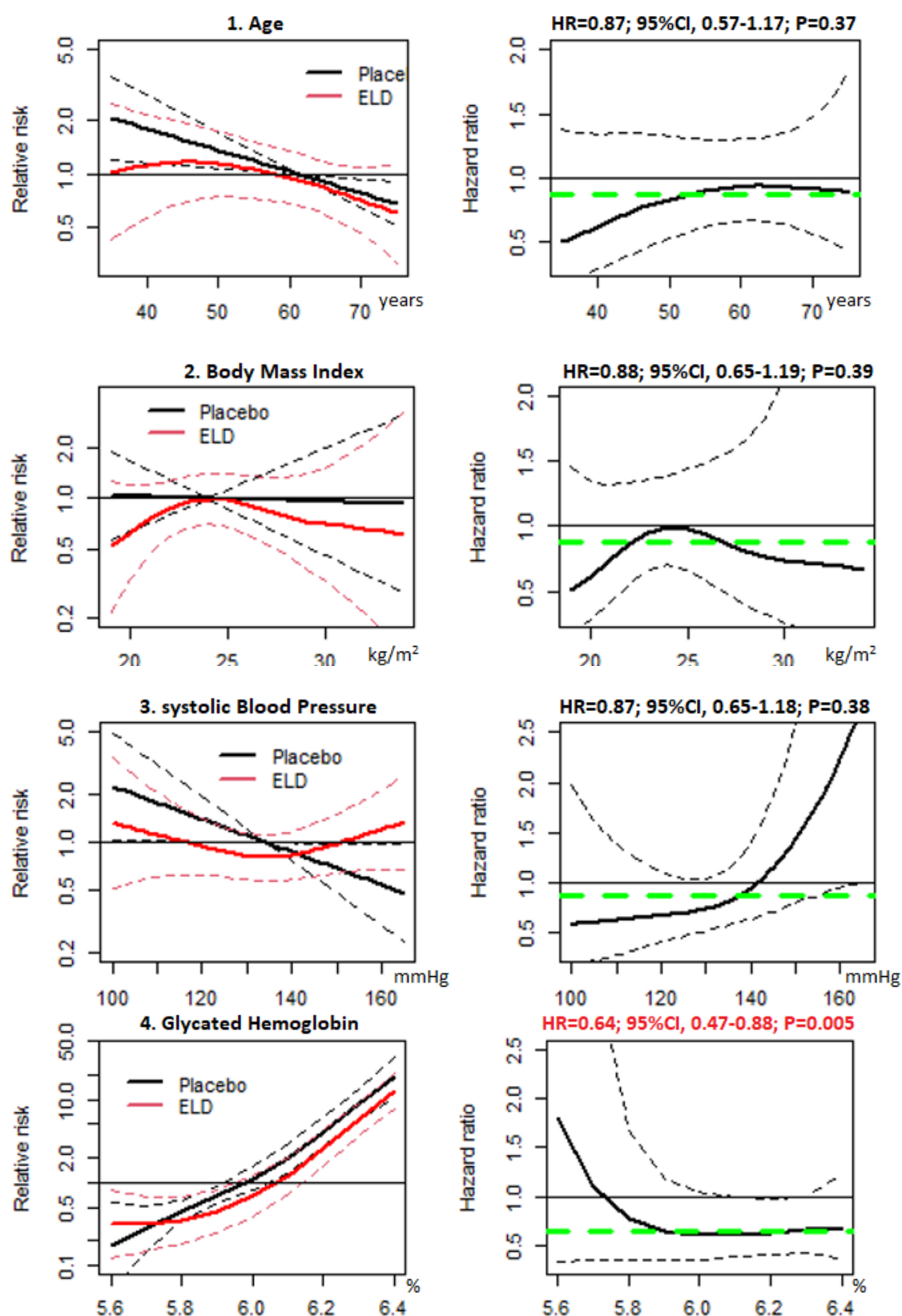
Patients with mild hypertension and/or dyslipidemia participated in the current study; therefore, the number of participants taking medications was described.

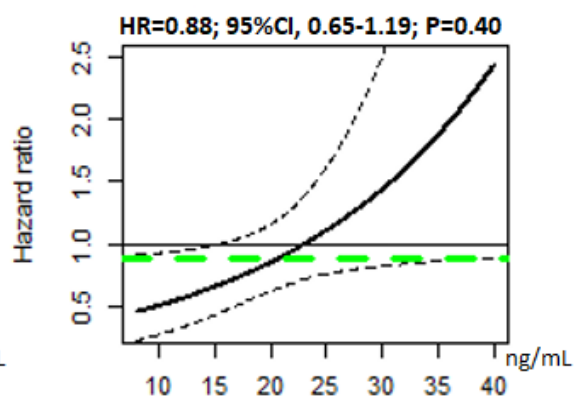
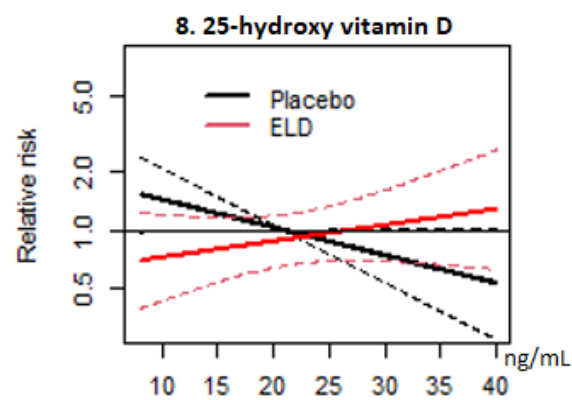
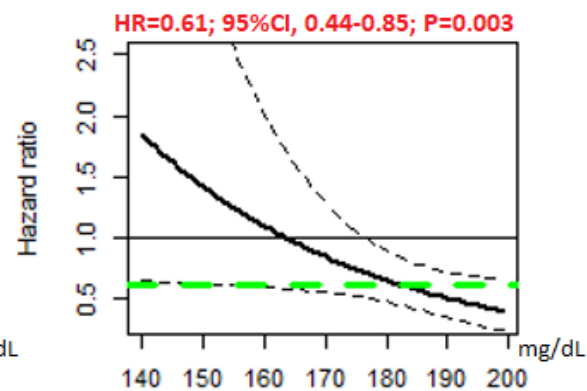
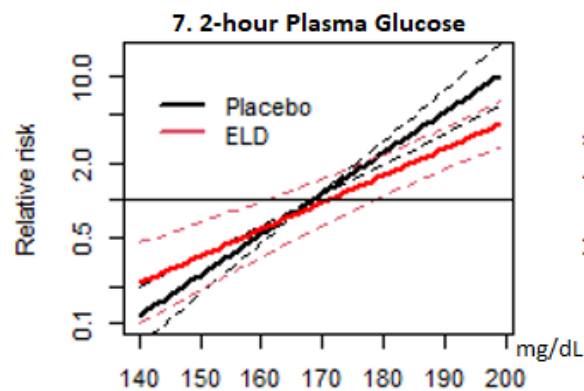
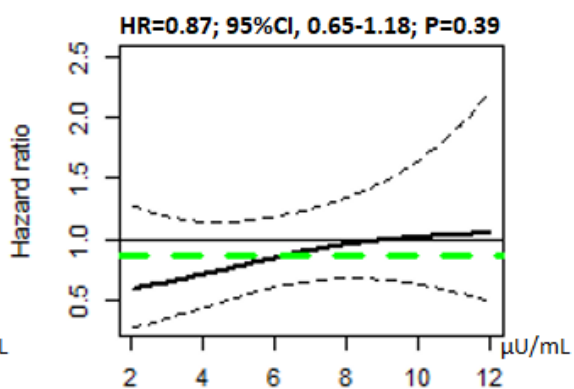
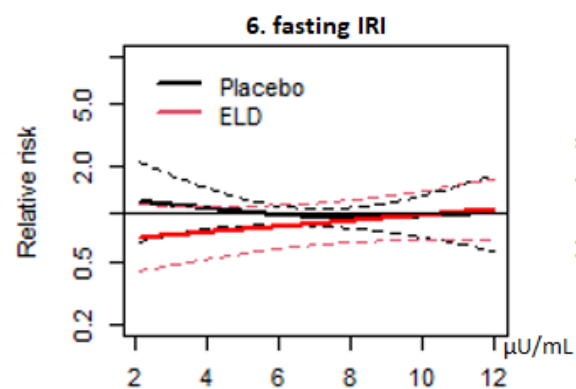
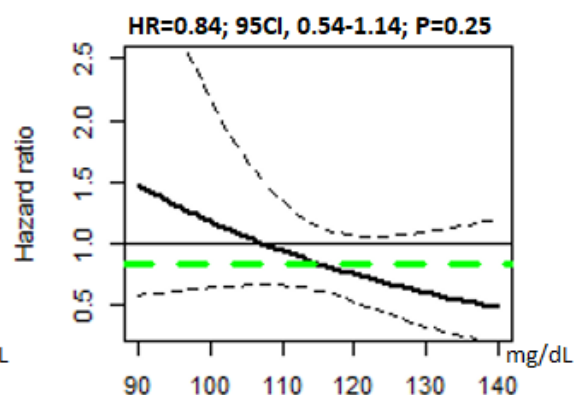
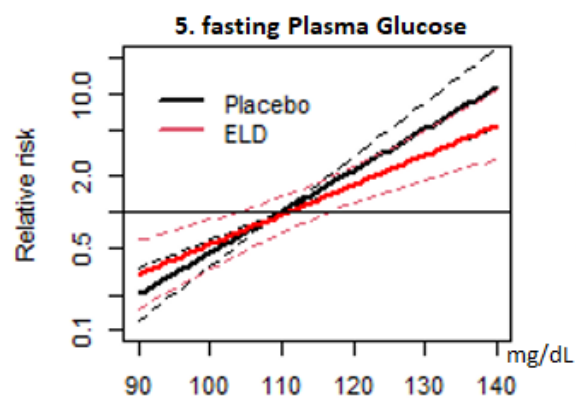
Table B. Distributions of parameters related to glucose metabolism between intention to treat and complete population

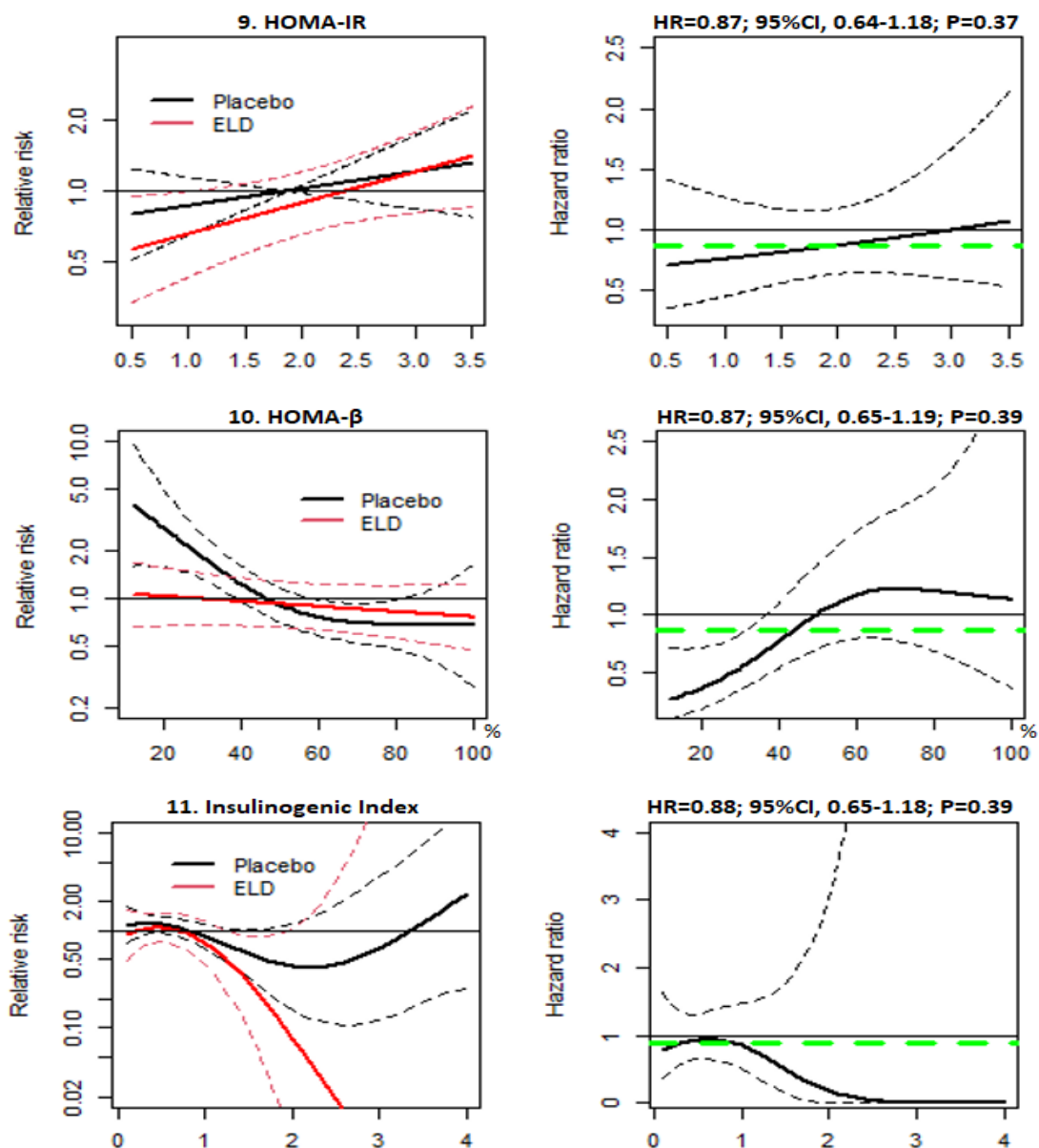
		BMI	HbA1c	0-PG	30-PG	2h-PG
Intention to treat population	Eldecacitol (n=630)	24.1±2.7	5.9±0.2	110.0±9.5	177.4±19.8	168.9±20.1
	Placebo (n=626)	24.5±1.8	6.0±0.2	109.8±8.9	175.3±20.2	168.0±15.0
Complete population	Eldecacitol (n=598)	24.2±2.5	5.9±0.2	109.5±9.7	176.9±20.1	168.8±18.9
	Placebo (n=594)	24.4±2.0	5.9±0.2	109.1±8.6	175.4±20.0	168.1±17.1

BMI, body mass index; HbA1c, glycated hemoglobin; 0-PG, 0-minute plasma glucose; 30-PG, 30-minute plasma glucose; 2-h PG, 2-hour plasma glucose.

Fig A. Subgroup analysis of continuous variables using splines





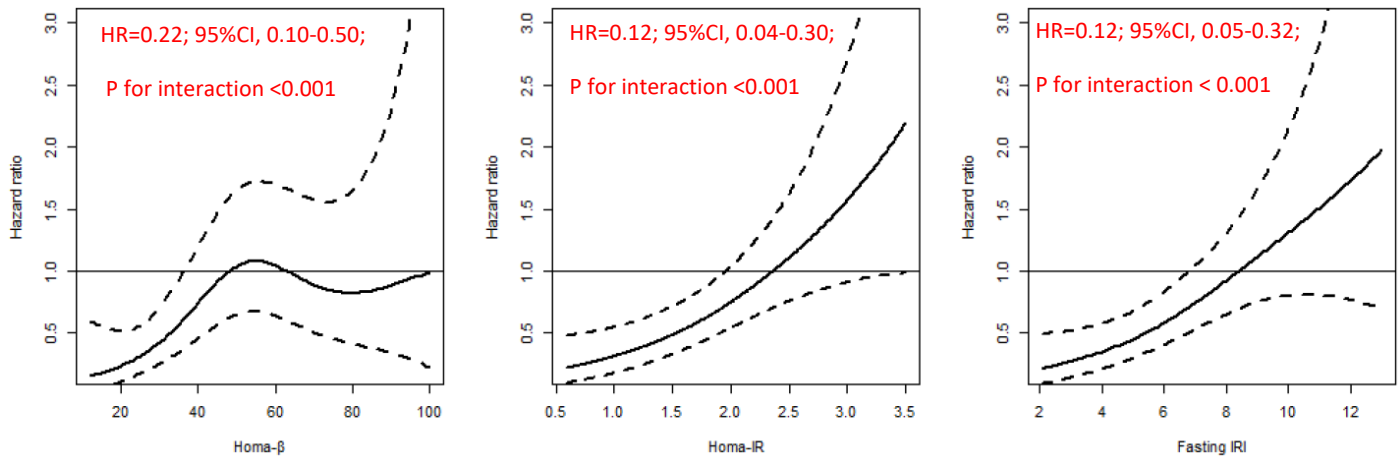


ELD, eldecalcitol; fasting IRI, fasting immunoreactive insulin; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; HOMA-β, homeostasis model assessment of beta-cell function.

Left figures: The red and black lines represent continuous relative risks to subjects with median value in the placebo group estimated for the eldecalcitol and placebo groups, respectively. The red and black dotted lines represent 95% CI of them, respectively.

Right figures: The black lines represent continuous hazard ratios (rate ratios of red spline to black spline in left figure), and dotted lines represent the 95% CI. The dashed green lines represent overall hazard ratios calculated using multivariable fractional polynomial Cox regression analyses.

Fig B. Interaction analysis of continuous variables adjusted for HbA1c and 2hr. plasma glucose

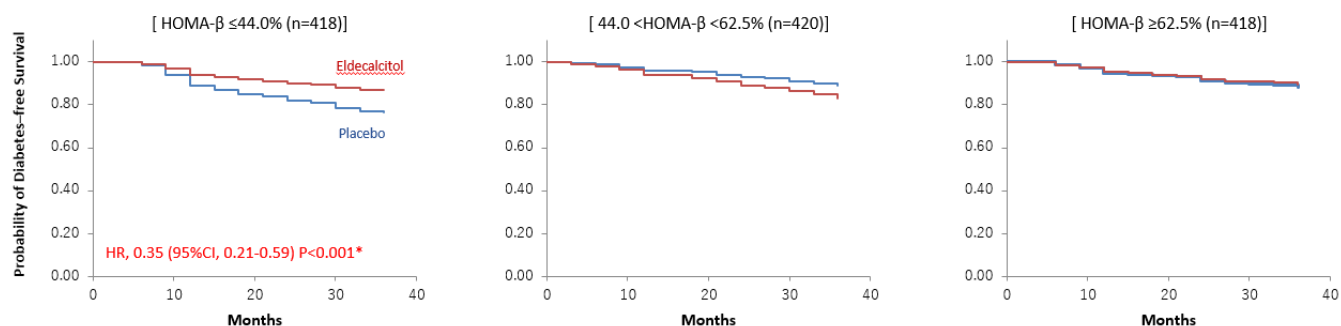


HOMA- β , homeostasis model assessment of beta-cell function; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; Fasting IRI, fasting immunoreactive insulin.

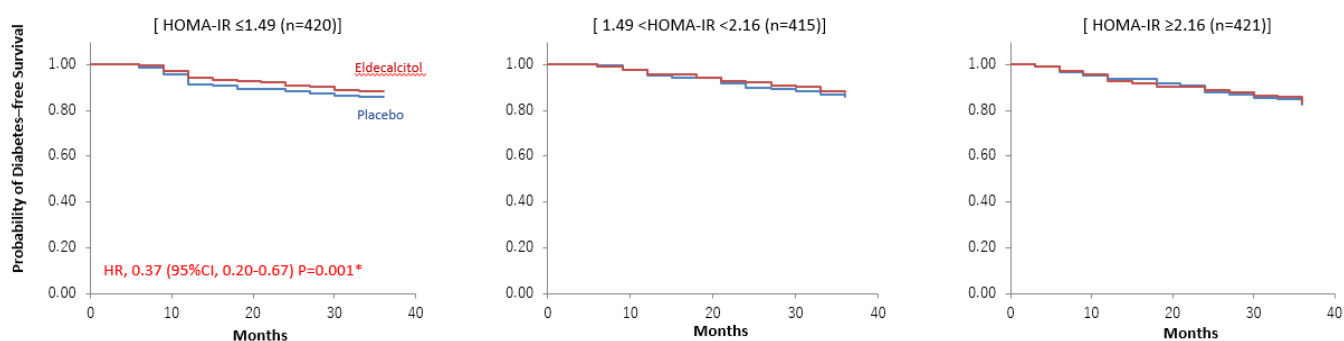
The black lines represent continuous hazard ratios after adjusting for glycated hemoglobin and 2-hour plasma glucose levels at baseline, and dotted lines represent the 95% CI. Overall hazard ratios of the eldecacitol treatment are shown in red letters that are calculated by multivariable fractional polynomial Cox regression models with an interaction term between eldecacitol treatment and indicated covariable, i.e., HOMA- β , HOMA-IR, or fasting IRI.

Fig C. Kaplan-Meier curves of interactions divided into tertiles and hazard ratios using multivariable fractional polynomial Cox regression analysis

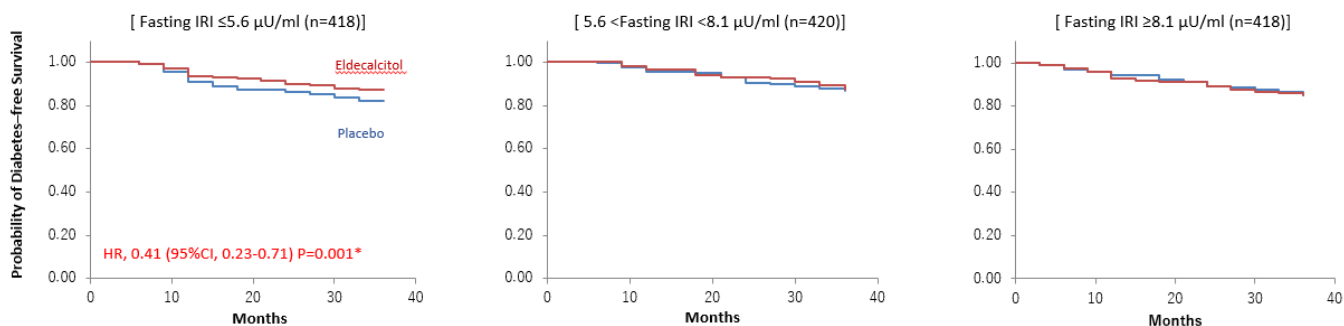
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HOMA- β , homeostasis model assessment of beta-cell function; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; Fasting IRI, fasting immunoreactive insulin.

Participants were divided into 3 subpopulations at 33.3- and 66.6-percentiles of HOMA- β , HOMA-IR, and fasting IRI, and Kaplan-Meier curves were depicted without adjusting for confounders. In addition, hazard ratios were analyzed using multivariable fractional polynomials Cox regression.

3-A: HOMA- β , divided into \leq 44.0%, 44.0% < / < 62.5%, and \geq 62.5% groups

3-B: HOMA-IR, divided into \leq 1.49, 1.49 < / < 2.16, and \geq 2.16 groups

3-C: Fasting IRI, divided into \leq 5.6 μ U/ml, 5.6 < / < 8.1 μ U/ml, and \geq 8.1 μ U/ml groups

Fig D. Participants distribution in 2-hour plasma glucose levels at baseline

