

# Exercise & Type 1 Diabetes

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By your side

# What today is about!

- Learning is doing and keeps you awake!
- Every person with T1DM is a  $n=1$
- Guiding principles and starting algorithms not dogmatic rules
- CGM and exercise
- Use the good stuff and reference, do not re-invent the wheel

# DH (2011) recommendations?

## Sport England interpretation

### B. Final recommendations on physical activity guidelines for Children and Young People

- Recommendation 1** The UK guidelines on physical activity for children and young people should include a recommendation for physical activity in general, an overall guideline.
- Recommendation 2** The UK guidelines on physical activity for children and young people should recommend “daily physical activity”.
- Recommendation 3** The UK guidelines on physical activity for children and young people should recommend at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity (MVPA) daily.
- Recommendation 4** The UK guidelines for children and young people should include a specific recommendation for vigorous activity ( $\geq 6-7$  METS) on at least 3 days a week.
- Recommendation for supporting commentary*  
*The commentary which accompanies the guidelines should indicate that vigorous intensity activity will form part of the daily 60 minute recommendation for children and young people.*
- Recommendation 5** The UK guidelines on physical activity for children and young people should recommend physical activity for the promotion of musculoskeletal health and flexibility at least 3 days per week.

**Table 3. The percentage of children meeting previous physical activity guidelines**

Country	Boys	Girls
England (aged 2–15)	32%	24%
Northern Ireland (Years 8–12)	19%	10%
Wales (aged 4–15)	63%	45%
Scotland (aged 2–15)	76%	67%

Two meta-analysis show **0.5% HbA1c** improvement

Quirk ET AL., (2014)  
Diabet Med J Br Diabet Assoc 31:1163–1173

Kennedy A et al (2013)  
PLoS One 8:e58861

**Uncertain / Limited data**

- Microvascular complications
- Osteoporosis
- Cancer
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**Type 1 diabetes**

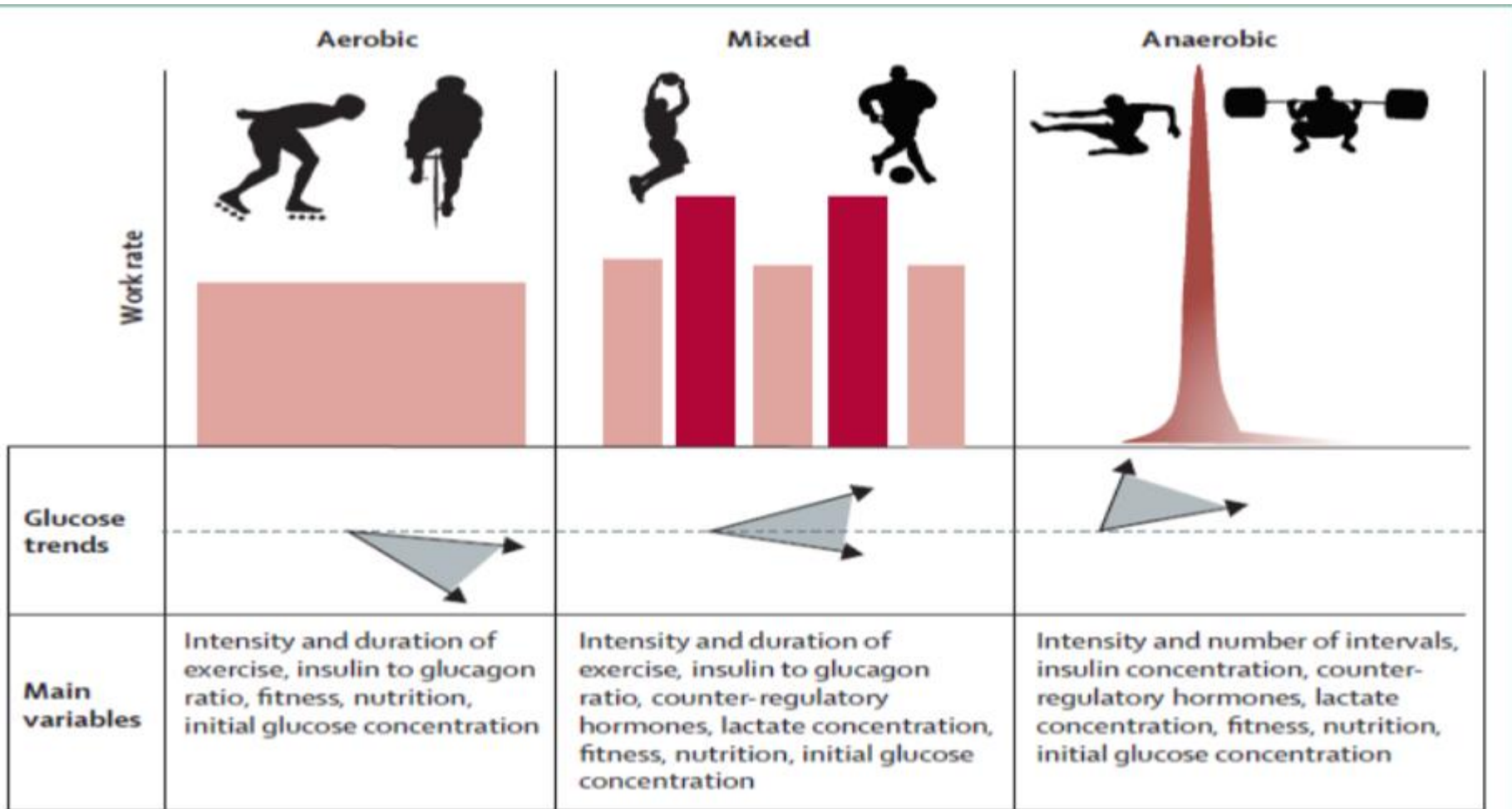
**Type 2 diabetes**



**Physical activity**

Riddle and Taplin (2016) Exercise in children with type 1 diabetes in A. Scaramuzza et al. (eds.), *Research into Childhood-Onset Diabetes*, DOI 10.1007/978-3-319-40242-0\_7

# A fantastic infographic



Riddle et al. (2017) Exercise management in type 1 diabetes: a consensus statement.

# Riddle and Pankowska Talk ISPAD 2012

Weightlifting, Track cycling

Track (sprinting & field events), Diving (Platform & springboard)

American football, Swimming (sprints), Gymnastics, Fencing

Wrestling, Volleyball, Ice hockey, Tree/rock climbing,

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Basketball, Soccer, Racquet sports, Lacrosse

Speed skating (500-1000m)

Skiing (slalom & downhill), Field hockey

Jumping rope, Rowing (middle distance)

Gymnastics, Martial arts, Horseback ridding

Running (middle distance), Games like tag

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Skateboarding

Road cycling

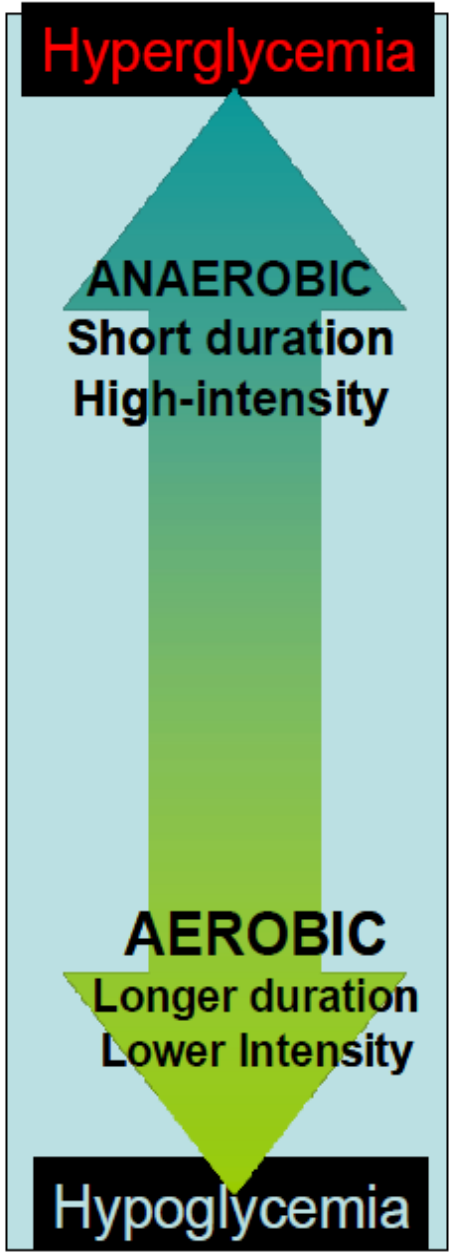
In-line skating

Cross country skiing

Brisk walking

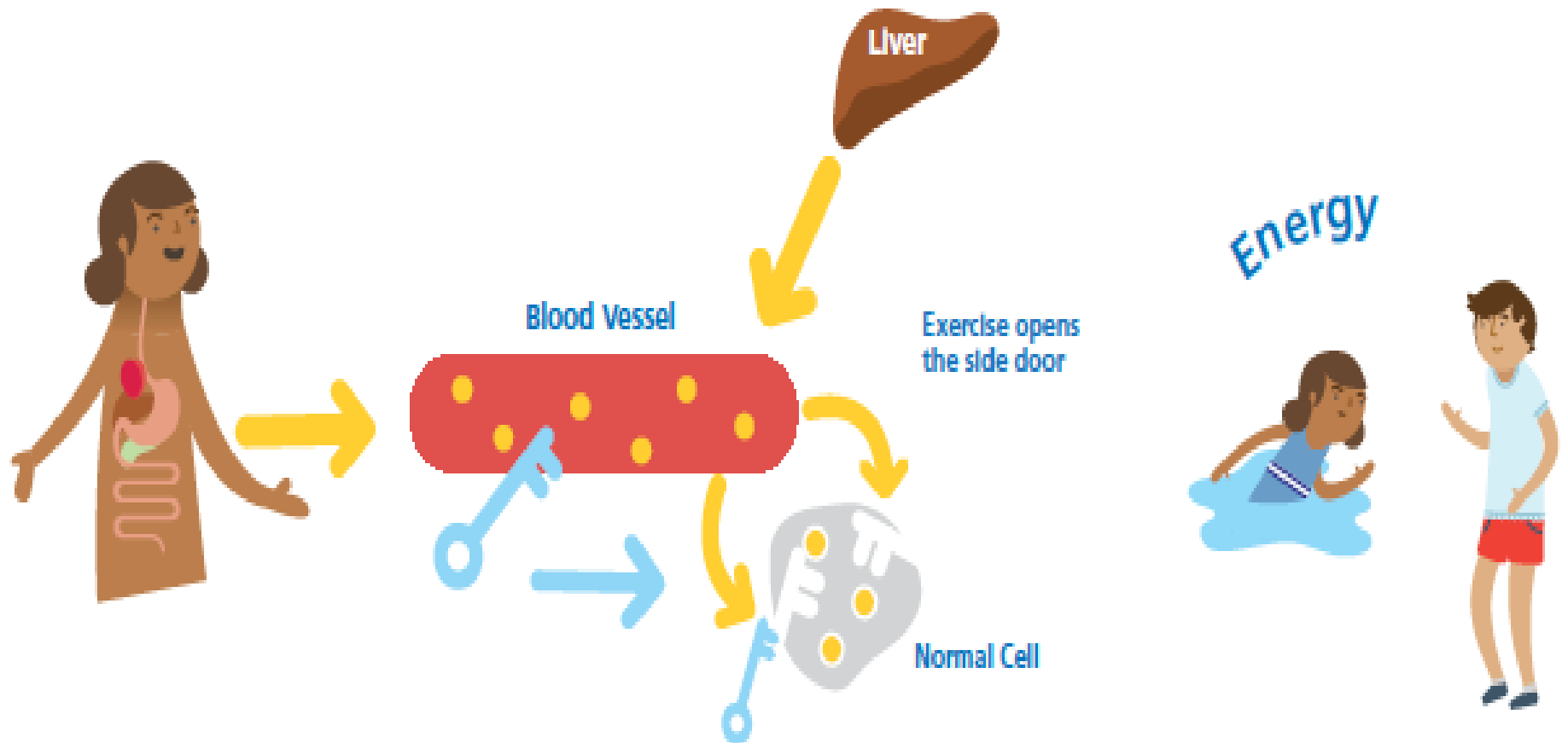
Marathon running

Triathlon



# Aerobic / Continuous Exercise

Low to moderate intensity activity: walking, playing in the playground, jogging, shopping



# What are your options for aerobic / continuous exercise?

## **12 year old boy – 50kg**

Brisk walking to school 30 minutes morning after breakfast.

Brisk walking home after school 30 minutes

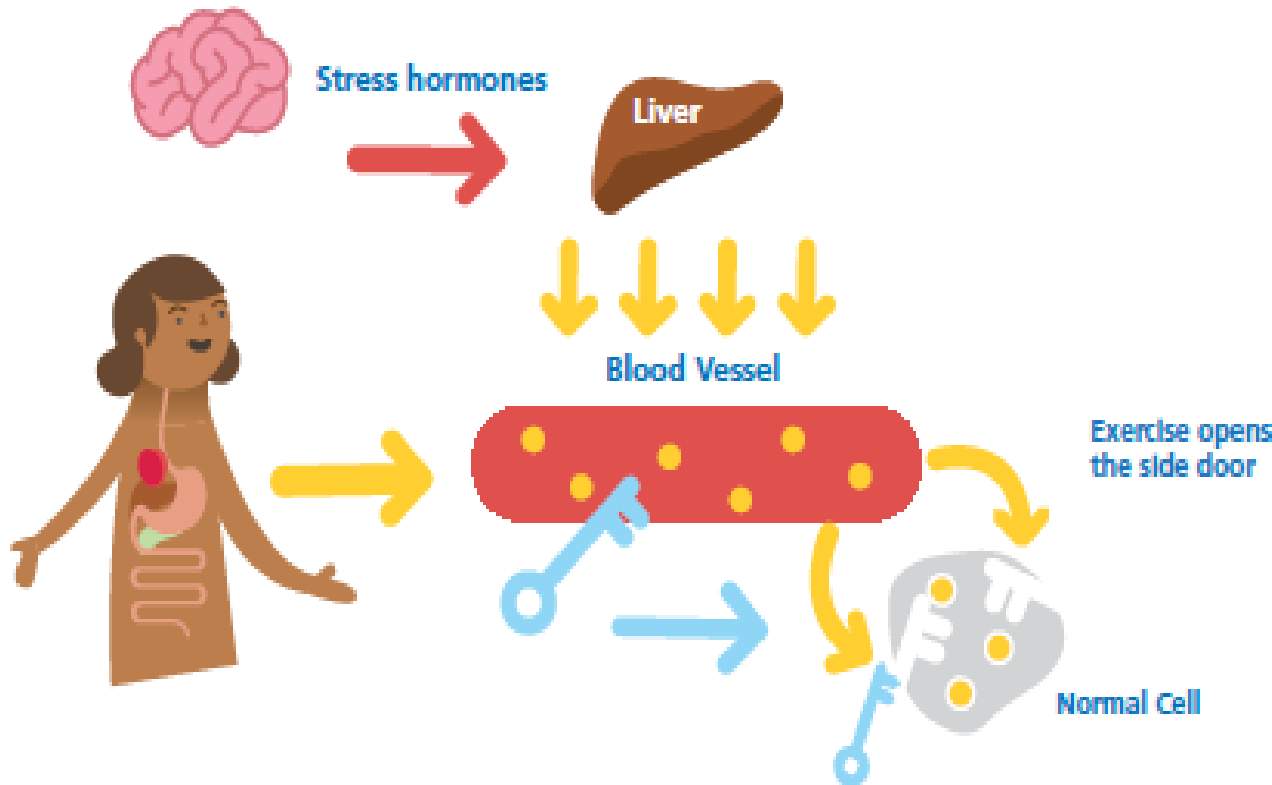
## **14 year old girl – 50kg**

60 minutes swimming before breakfast



# Anaerobic / Short Sharp Exercise

Very high intensity activity:  
sprinting, jumping, lifting weights, martial arts & gymnastics



# What are your options for Supra-maximal exercise during activity?

## **17 year old boy – 60kg**

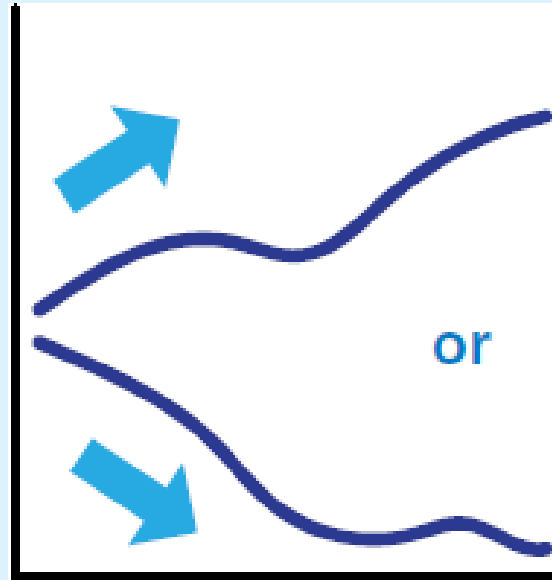
Weights session after school 16:30, no meal before

## **14 year old girl – 50kg**

60 minute sprint training session 18:00 after evening meal 17:00

# Mixed / Intermittent Exercise

Glucose  
Trend T1D:



Lots of high intensity with little low intensity bursts, glucose is more likely to increase: Judo, sprint training, competitive football & netball, competition dancing, gymnastics.

Lots of low intensity with little high intensity bursts, glucose is more likely to decrease: school P.E recreational football & netball, bike riding, trampoline.



# What are your options for intermittent exercise?

## **13 year old boy – 40kg**

Football Match “Big Game” 60 minutes at 11:00, breakfast at 08:00

## **13 year old girl – 40kg**

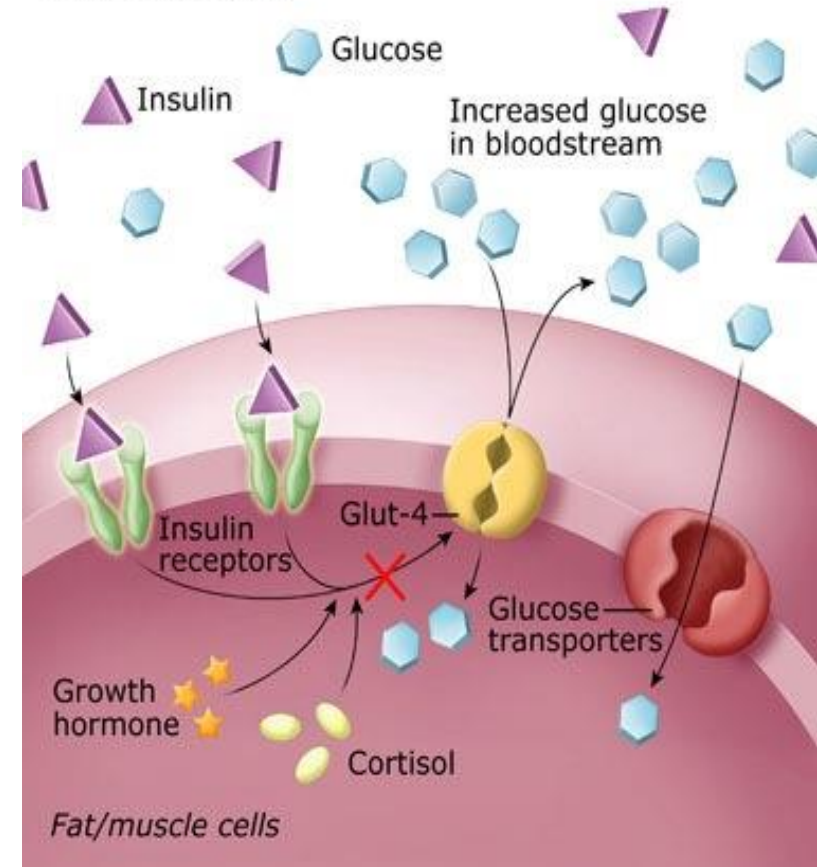
Netball after school practice 15:30 “easy practice” after school 60 minutes, last meal 12:30 - Lunch

# Possible 'Post exercise whip' 0 - 60minutes Anaerobic HIIT Sprint finish

With thanks to Francesca Annan RD

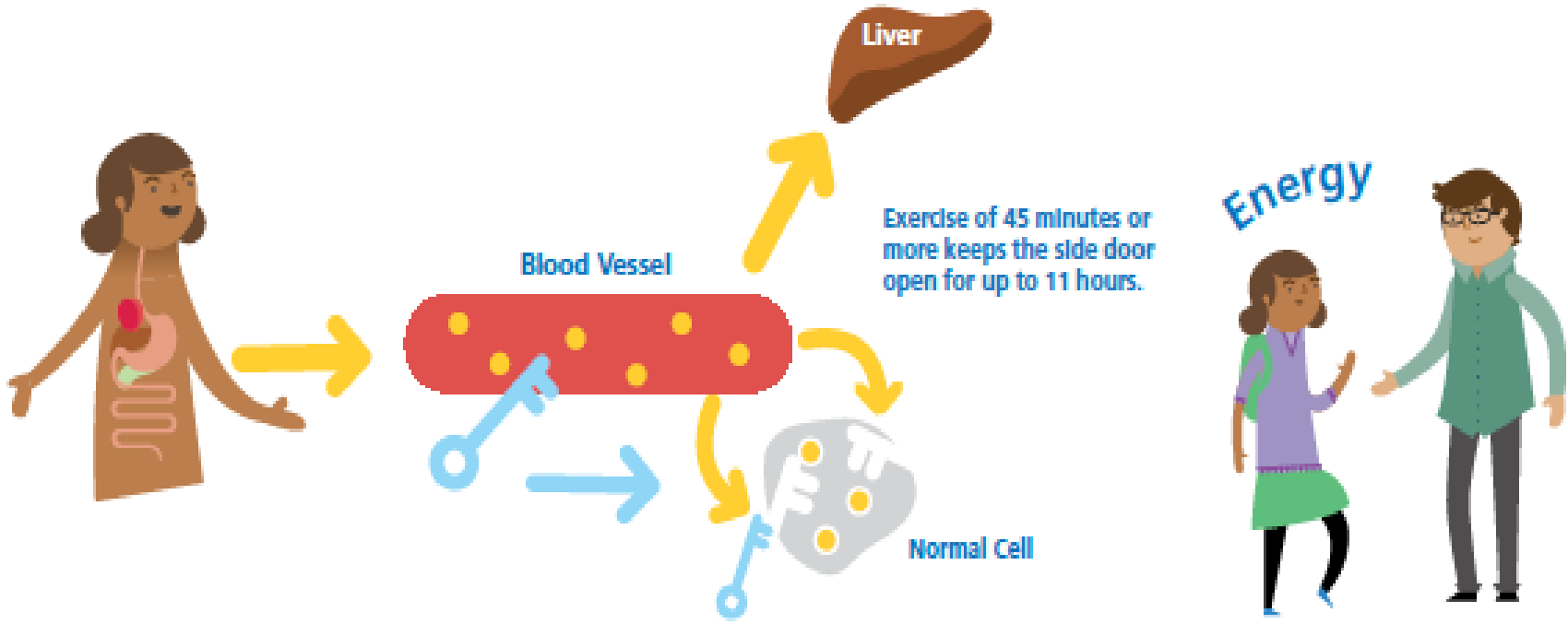
- Adrenaline, Cortisol, Glucagon = "Glucose release & insulin resistance"
- Anaerobic or hard intermittent
- Disconnected pump
- Cool Down

## Glucose Counter-regulatory Hormones: Effect on Fat and Muscle Cells



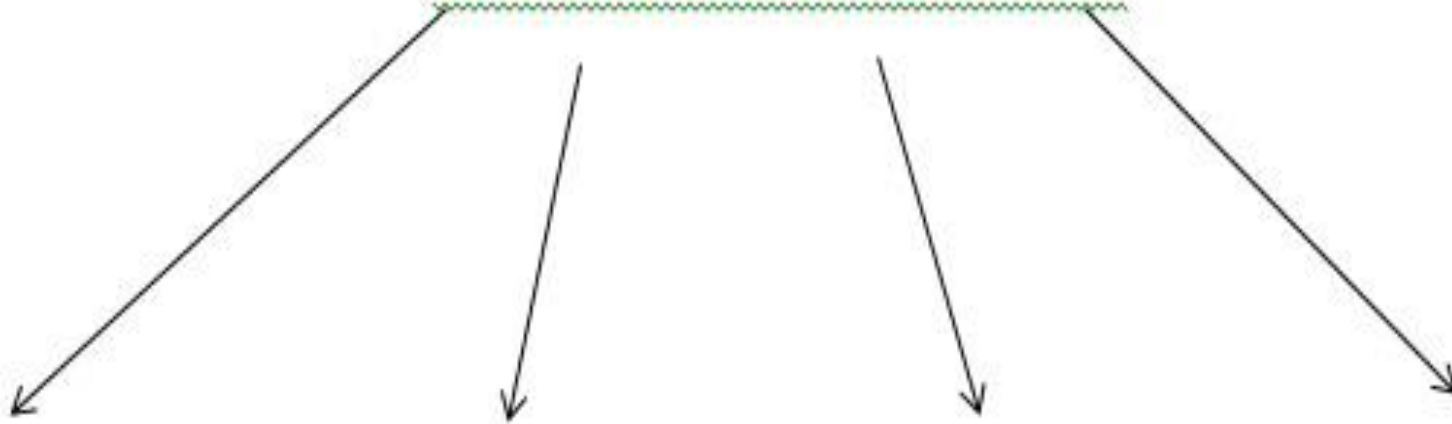
# After Exercise

## Effect of exercise on blood glucose after activity



# The Standard

## If Blood Glucose is...



### Below 4

Treat hypo wait 15 mins before re checking and give follow up snack (10-15g carbohydrate) once BG above 4

### Between 4-8

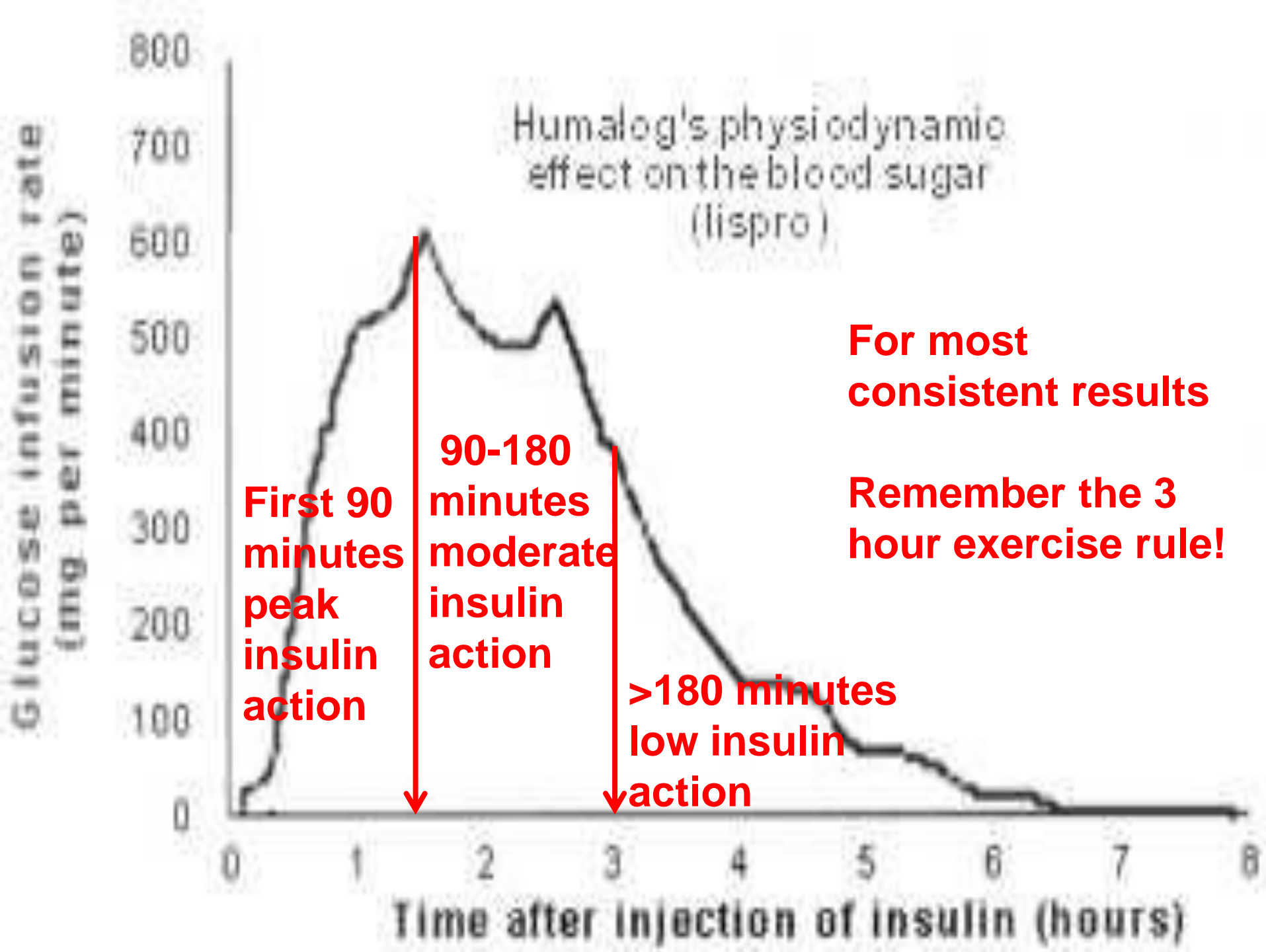
Give 10g of fast acting carbohydrate at the start of exercise such as 60mls Lucozade

### Between 9-13

Do not give any fast acting carbohydrate before exercise (a small correction can be given- please discuss individual patients)

### 14+ check for Ketones

If Ketones are above 0.6, do not exercise





# ADA position statement

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**Table 2—Suggested initial pre-exercise meal insulin bolus reduction for activity started within 90 min after insulin administration**

Exercise intensity	Exercise duration	
	30 min	60 min
Mild aerobic ( $\sim 25\% VO_{2max}$ )	–25%*	–50%
Moderate aerobic ( $\sim 50\% VO_{2max}$ )	–50%	–75%
Heavy aerobic (70%–75% $VO_{2max}$ )	–75%	N-A
Intense aerobic/anaerobic ( $>80\% VO_{2max}$ )	No reduction recommended	N-A

Recommendations compiled based on four studies (94–97). N-A, not assessed as exercise intensity is too high to sustain for 60 min. \*Estimated from study (95).

Studies on aerobic moderate intensity exercise and the reductions are likely to be less for intermittent and high intensity activities



# BWCH: Insulin reductions within 90 minutes of exercise

	Anaerobic Short-Sharp		Intermittent Mixed		Aerobic Continuous	
	<30 mins	>30mins	<30 mins	>30mins	<30 mins	>30mins
RPE 3-5	N/A	N/A	-35%	-45%	-25%	-50%
RPE 5-7	N/A	N/A	-25%	-35%	-35%	-65%
RPE 7-10	N/A	N/A	-15%	-25%	-50%	-75%

# Recommendations: Carbohydrate during activity

- Aerobic exercise extra carbohydrate:
  - If no adjustment to pre-meal insulin delivery has occurred:
    - 1.0g/kg of carbohydrate per kg per hour
  - Where pre-exercise insulin has been reduced
    - 0.5 g/kg of carbohydrate per hour
- Mixed / intermittent the carbohydrate requirement will be less.
  - If no adjustment to pre-meal insulin delivery has occurred:
    - 0.5 g of CHO per kg per hour
  - Where pre-exercise insulin has been reduced:
    - 0.25 g/kg per hour

# BWCH: Carbohydrate during activity

## If glucose in target

### Carbohydrate Requirement g/kg/hr (grams per kilogram per hour)

	Anaerobic Short-Sharp		Intermittent Mixed		Aerobic Continuous	
	Insulin reduction	No insulin reduction	Insulin reduction	No insulin reduction	Insulin reduction	No insulin reduction
RPE 3-5	0.075	0.01	0.15	0.25	0.3	0.5
RPE 5-7	0.125	0.15	0.225	0.375	0.45	0.75
RPE 7-10	0.15	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.6	1.0

# Recommendations: After exercise

- 50 % of the usual correction dose for post-exercise hyperglycaemia and only if hyperglycaemia persists for >60 min post exercise.
- Activity >45min:
  - Reduce meal insulin after exercise 25-50%
  - lower the basal rate by 20% between 9 p.m. and 3 a.m.
  - 20g protein before bed (Increase Glucagon)
  - Carbohydrate snack before bed

# Six Key questions

- **Therapy: Pump or MDI?**
- **What type of activity will they be doing?**
  - Aerobic/ Anaerobic/ Intermittent
- **When eating and bolusing prior to activity?**
  - Within 90 mins/ >90 minutes
- **How long?**
  - Minutes
- **How intense will they be working out of 10?**
  - Light: 3 – 5
  - Medium: 5 – 7
  - High: 7 – 10
- **Are they eating after the activity?**

# Basic Calculator



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- **Live Example**

**CGM** - it's  
the future!





# Where Sensors and Meters Measure

Sensor

Sensor measures interstitial glucose continuously

Meter

Meter measures blood glucose as a snap shot

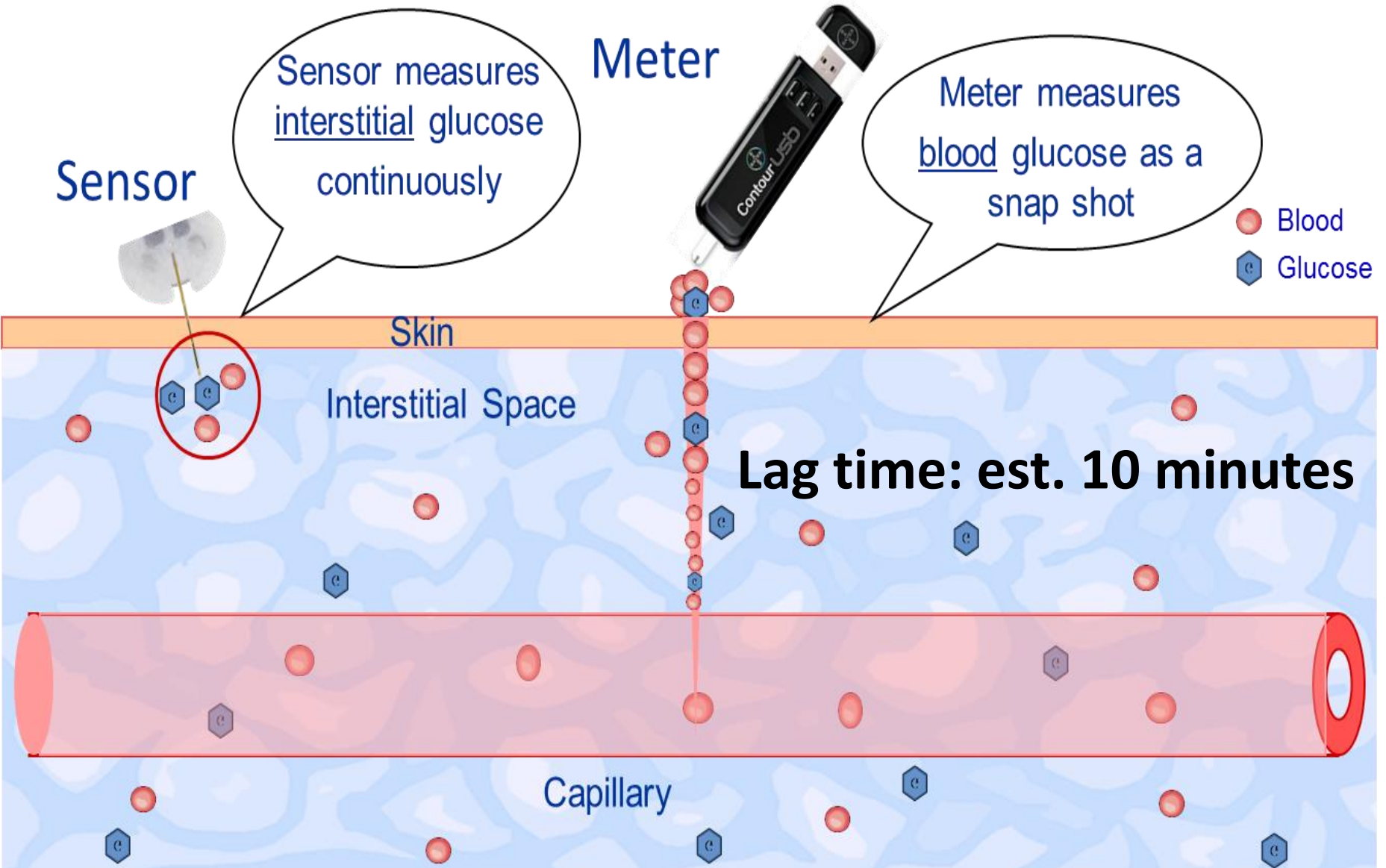
● Blood  
⬡ Glucose

Skin

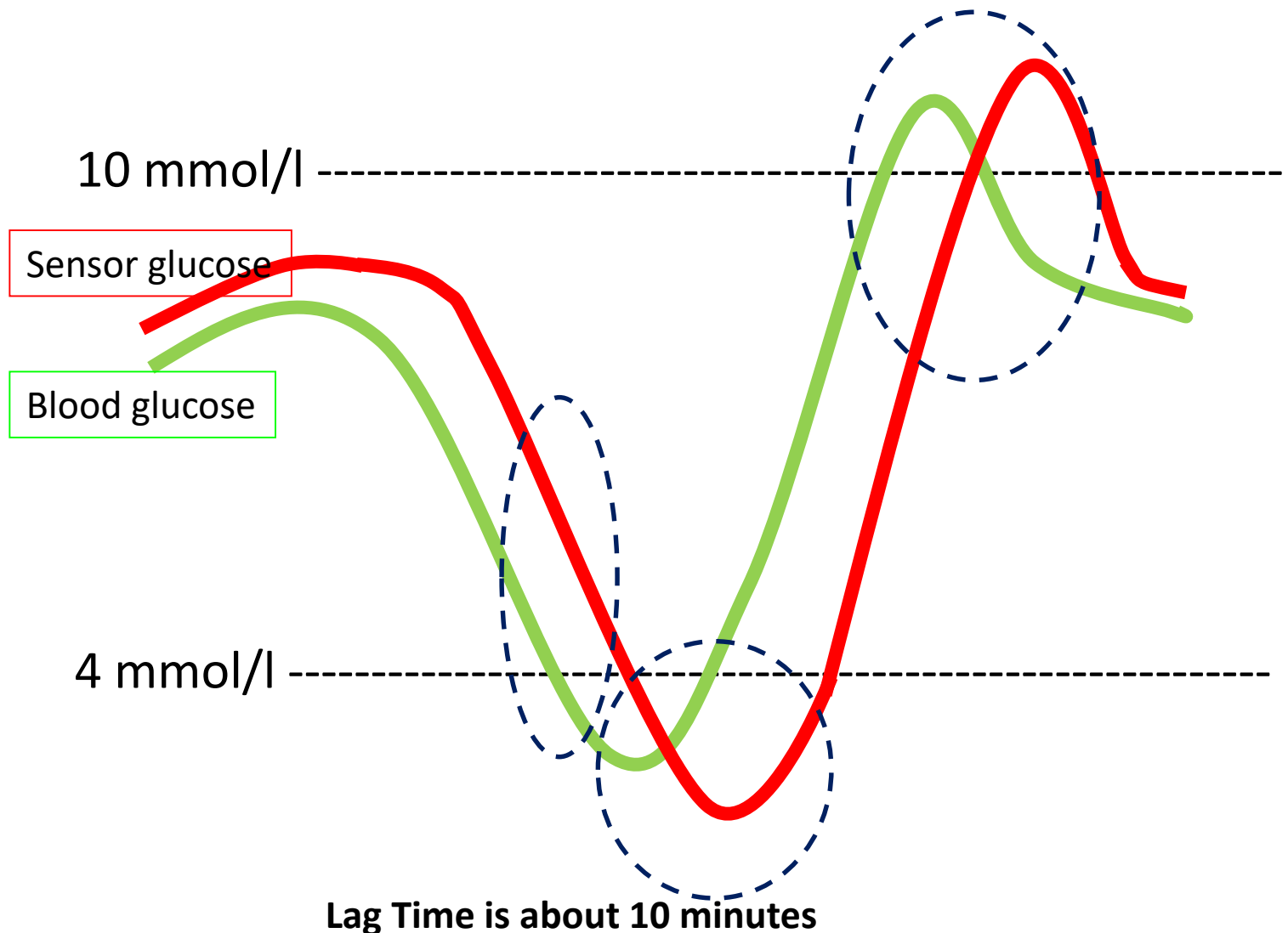
Interstitial Space

**Lag time: est. 10 minutes**






Capillary











# Differences – blood glucose vs sensor glucose



# Libre: What do the arrows mean?

Trend Arrow	Description	Where the blood glucose is now (10 minutes ahead)
	Rising quickly	2mmol/l higher
	Rising	1mmol/l higher
	Stable	Same
	Falling	1 mmol/l lower
	Falling quickly	2mmol/l lower

# What's on offer?

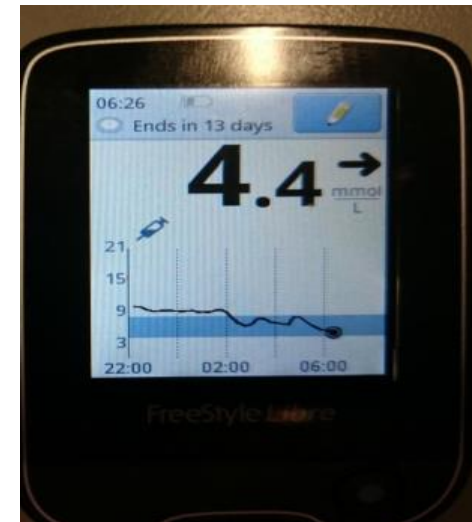
	<b>Medtronic 640G with smart guard and VEO with Low Glucose Suspend</b>	<b>Dexcom CGM G4</b>	<b>Dexcom CGM G5</b>	<b>Freestyle Libre</b>
				
	This is an integrated system where insulin pump acts as a receiver of CGM data. The auto suspend feature helps in suspending the pump if glucose level hits a threshold (VEO) or is predicted to hit a threshold in the next 30 minutes (640G)	Continuous Glucose monitoring system which can be used alone or integrated with animas pump where CGM data can be viewed on the pump. A Newer version G5 is available in the market which is the first and only remote glucose monitoring system.	Continuous Glucose monitoring system which can be used alone. It can send data wirelessly to a compatible smart phone. It is FDA approved to make treatment decisions upon it's results.	Flash glucose monitoring system. Monitor when scanned over transmitter gives the current sugar reading. It provides the glucose history for previous 8 hours
	<b>13.6%</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>10% - Paediatrics</b>	<b>13.6% Paeds</b>
ment	Every 5 mins	Every 5 mins	Every 5 mins	Every second (when flashed)
	Age 2 and above	Age 2 and above	Age 2 and above	Age 4 and above
				
	6 days	7 days	7 days	14 days

- Solutions to make CGM more reliable during exercise:
  - Last meal insulin 3hrs before exercise – Check IOB???
  - Set low alarm at 6.0mmol/l
  - Hydrate effectively
  - Set rate of change alarms: if goes off use BG not SG
    - 0.17mmol/l per min
    - 1.7mmol/l in 10 mins
    - One arrow down (Libre & Dexcom)
    - Two Arrows down (Medtronic)
  - Sensor placed away from exercising muscle

Medtronic Minimed 640G & VEO	Dexcom G4 & G5	Abbott Libre & Navigator	Change in glucose mmol/l in 15 minutes	Real life speak	SG 6.0 mmol/l expected SG range mmol/l in 15 minutes	SG 12mmol/l expected SG range mmol/l in 15 minutes
	→	→	0.0 - 0.8	Stable	5.2 - 6.8	11.2 - 12.8
↓	↘	↘	0.8 - 1.7	Falling slowly	4.3 - 5.2	10.3 - 11.2
↓↓	↓	↓	>1.7	Falling quickly	<4.3	<10.3
↓↓↓ Minimed 640G	↓↓ G5		>2.5	Falling rapidly	<3.5	<9.5
↑	↗	↗	0.8 - 1.7	Rising slowly	6.8 - 7.7	12.8 - 13.7
↑↑	↑	↑	1.7 - 2.5	Rising quickly	>7.7	>13.7
↑↑↑ Minimed 640G	↑↑ G5		>2.5	Rising rapidly	>8.5	>14.5

# How much carbohydrate for 45 minutes of football?

- Blood Glucose 6.0 mmol/l



# The BCH CGM Calculator

## Example



- Dexcom Clarity
- Libre Software
- Diasend CGM and insulin data - All but Medtronic
- CareLink Personal & Pro
- Telephone clinic
- Skype style clinic
- Teach the patients how to use the algorithms for self-management

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# What I was hoping?

- Know your types of exercise
- Know your insulin reductions
- Know your CGM arrows ROC
- Know advice that increases CGM accuracy during exercise
- Give plans according to 6 key questions – Standardise!
- Review, adapt, improve

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