



# Ευρωπαϊκές συνεργασίες και ειδικά κέντρα στα πλαίσια της αντιμετώπισης του Διαβήτη

**(European collaborations and reference centers for the treatment of diabetes)**

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# Type 1 Diabetes

- T1D is a chronic disease due to the destruction of islet beta cells in the pancreas with the consequence of lack of insulin production
- T1D is accompanied by considerable morbidity and mortality
- Increase of T1D incidence over the last years

# T2D

- Increase in incidence of T2D all over the world
- T2D is no longer an adult's disease
- T2D is related to increase of obesity
- Different etiology of T1D



# Diabetes mellitus is a significant economic burden

- Current cost for diabetes accounts for 10% of the total health cost and is estimated to rise to 17% for 2035/2036.
- Complications related to the disease account for a substantial proportion of the direct health costs.
- In the UK: T1D: £1 bn for direct costs and £ 0.9 bn for indirect costs for 2010-11
- In the UK 28.8 bn for Type 2 diabetes and £ 13bn for indirect costs
- As prevalence of the disease increases, the cost of treating complications will grow if current care regimes are maintained.

Hex N et al Estimating the current and future costs of Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes in the UK, including direct health costs and indirect societal and productivity costs. Diabet Med 2012 Jul;29(7):855-62.

# Treatment of T1D is complex and difficult

- Insulin therapy and glycemic control
- Exercise
- Healthy Diet
- Psychological support
- Education







## Hyper and hypoglycemia cause CNS changes acute or chronic

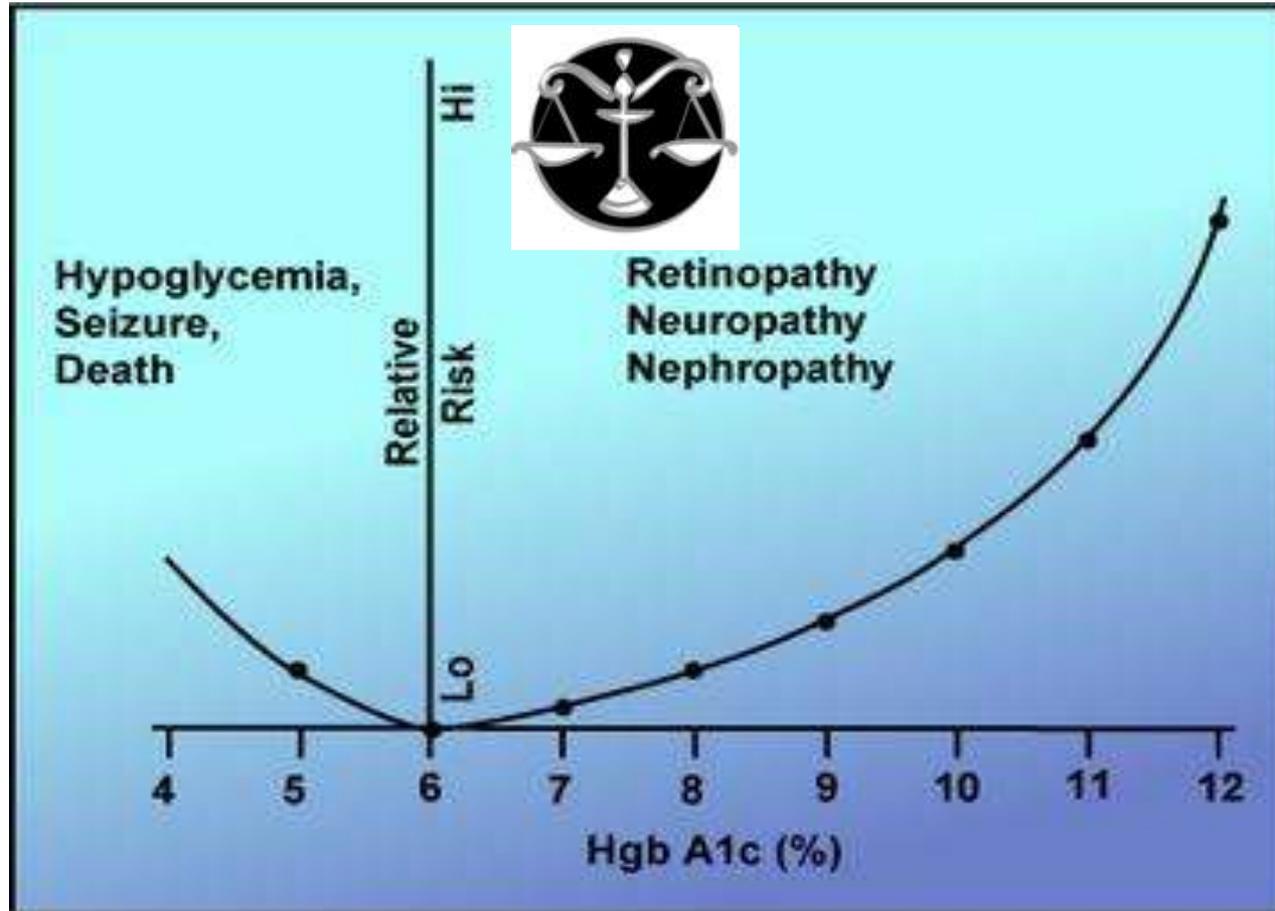
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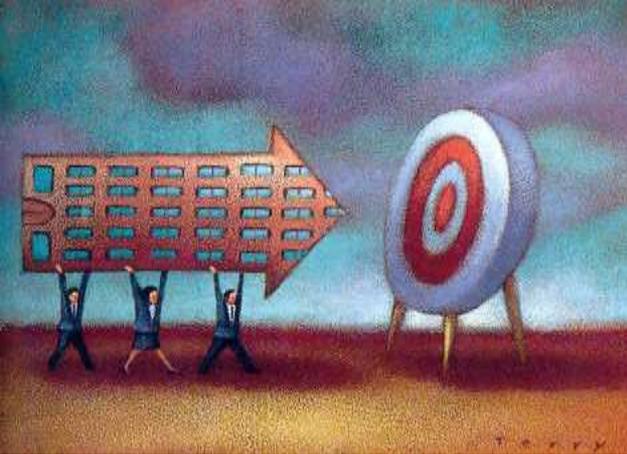
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# Balance between hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia (Treat-to-target)





# Treatment targets

- Longevity
- Good quality of life



# Joslin Awards

## 50 years with T1D with no complications (2500 participants)



# Treatment for T2D

- Change in life style
- Reduction of weight –treatment of obesity  
: Very hard task
- Oral antidiabetic medication
- GLP-1
- Insulin

# Treatment of children with T1D demands highly qualified health care professionals

## Team

- Doctors
- Nurses
- Dietitians
- Psychologists
- Social workers



# Heterogeneity across European countries in health care systems





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# Better control in Paediatric and adolescent diabetes: Working of create Centres of Reference

- EU Funding: Public Health Agency (PHEA) regarding: Health information (HI 2007)
- Exchange of information and experience regarding the best practice
- Aim of the SWEET study: Creation of centers of reference for T1D for children and adolescents in Europe with the target of improvement of secondary prevention, diagnosis and glycemic control in T1D and T2D



International Diabetes Federation  
European Region



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“Better control in paediatric and adolescent diabetes in the EU: working to create centres of reference (SWEET)”

**Work package 3 draft report:  
Recommendations for the proper for age education  
for children and adolescents with T1D across Europe**



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**Work package 4 draft report:  
Recommendations for the best programs on  
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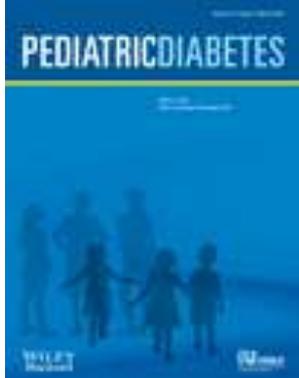
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**Work package 5 :**  
**Collection of educational tools for the creation  
of the best toolbox for education of children  
and their parents on diabetes**



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# SWEET STUDY



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# European Registry SWEET

- Common Database
- SWEET is a registry of large(>150 pediatric patients) diabetes centers ([www.sweet-project.eu](http://www.sweet-project.eu))
- Data in participating centers were directly extracted from 2006 ongoing from local electronic health records.
- The SWEET on line platform hosts currently 27 centers from 19 countries under one unified anonymized diabetes database

# Centers of reference

- >150 children and adolescents <18 years
- Electronic database
- Quality circle with the data
- Employs a pediatrician with diabetes expertise and a nurse with pediatric diabetes expertise
- Knowledge and skills of a dietician, psychologist, social worker are present
- Follows the ISPAD guidelines
- Includes at least one ISPAD member
- Fulfills national requirements for specialist education
- Has outpatient diabetes services with confirmed in-patient access
- Audit every 5 years



## SWEET-Certification Selected year 2013

Αριθμός ασθενών  
12,085

Centre-ID	Location	Centre	Number of patients
10161	DE	Kinderkrankenhaus Auf der Bult	527
10212	UK	Barts and the London NHS Trust	420
10213	PT	APDP - Portuguese Diabetes Association	671
10214	HU	Semmelweis University Budapest	17
10215	NL	Diabeter Clinic	810
10216	SE	The Queen Silvia Children's Hospital	442
10217	CZ	University Hospital Motol Prague	498
10218	IT	Universita di Verona - Cattedra di Pediatria Prev	368
10219	PL	Medical University of Warsaw - Department of Paedi	773
10221	RO	Centrul medical Clinic de evaluare si recuperare p	81
10222	LU	Centre Hospitalier de Luxembourg	173
10223	GR	Panagioti and Aglafia Kyriakou Children's Hospital	212
10224	PL	Instytut Matki i Dziecka	72
10225	FR	Hopital Necker Enfants Malades	186
10289	HR	Klinički bolnički centar Zagreb	185
10292	DK	Herlev University Hospital	352
10313	PT	Pediatric Hospital of Coimbra	170
10314	PT	Hospital Dona Estefania	122
10318	CZ	Third Faculty of Medicine, Department of Children	167
10322	TR	Ege University Faculty of Medicine	16
10329	SI	University Children's Hospital, Ljubljana	325
10335	BE	University Hospital Leuven (UZ Leuven)	228
10341	IT	G. Salesi Hospital, Ancona	182
10342	IT	Meyer Children Hospital, Firenze	443

### Requirements

- >= 150 patients documented per year
- at least one HbA1c-measurement
- diabetes since documented
- year of date of birth >= 1995
- date of birth documented
- biological sex documented



## HbA1c - Όλα τα κέντρα

# ISPAD recommendations for HbA1c <7.5%

## HbA1c

- Indicator of glycemic control (mean blood glucose levels of the last trimester)
- Correlation with complications

Metabolic outcome: T1DM, HbA1c-RAW  
All centres

Selected period 01/01/2013 - 31/12/2013

	Number of patients	Mean of all values	Median of all values	Mean of patient's median	Median of patient's median	Mean of patient's last value	Median of patient's last value
all patients	8,288	8.19	7.90	8.12	7.87	8.08	7.80
< 1 year duration	597	7.33	7.10	7.54	7.30	7.20	7.00
> 1 year duration	7,408	8.23	8.00	8.12	7.90	8.12	7.90
age 0 - <6	615	7.92	7.73	7.93	7.73	7.83	7.70
age 6 - <12	2,447	7.85	7.70	7.81	7.65	7.77	7.64
age 12 - <18	3,929	8.42	8.10	8.26	8.00	8.24	8.00
age >=18	1,293	8.32	8.00	8.34	7.90	8.32	7.90
age 0 - <18	6,991	8.18	7.90	8.08	7.85	8.04	7.80

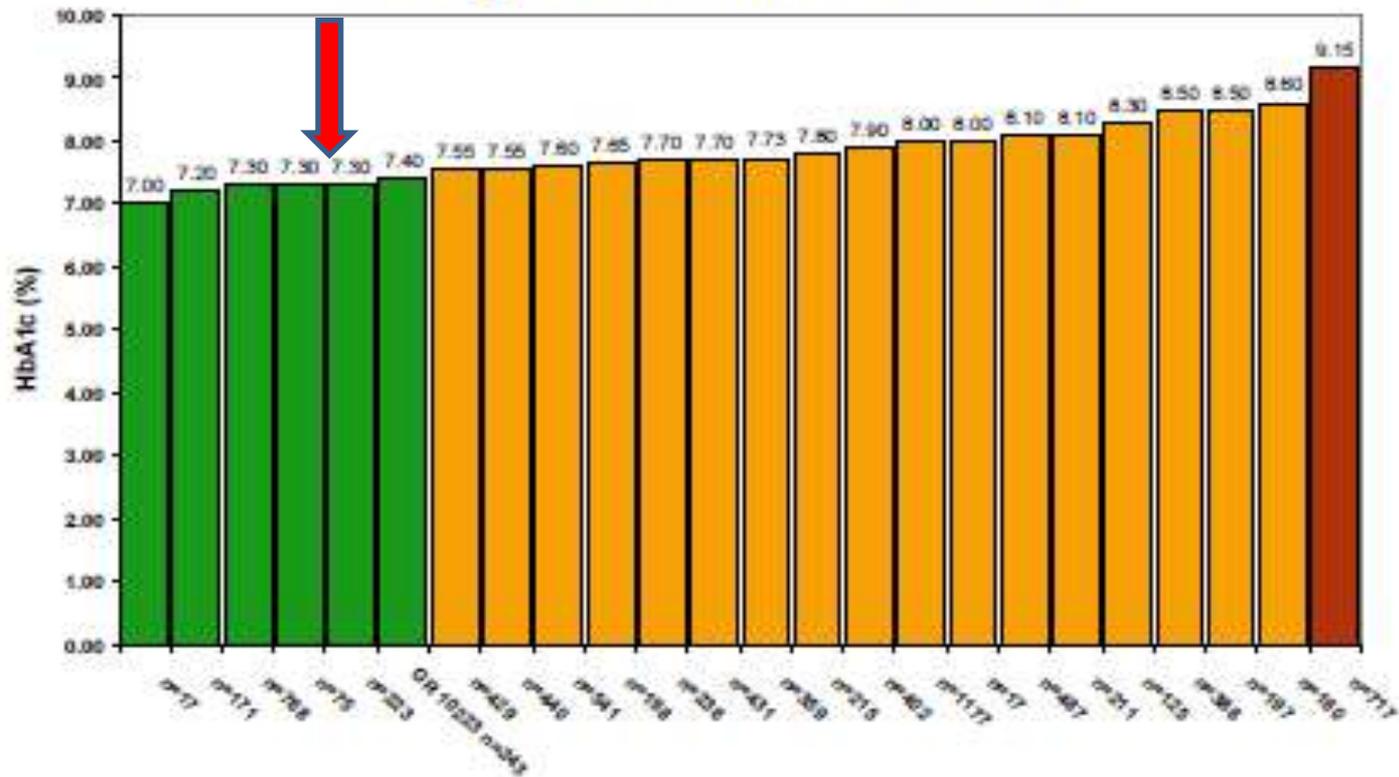
- If diabetes duration < 1 year only values after month 3 were taken into account
- HbA1c-RAW:  
HbA1c-values WITHOUT ANY STANDARDIZATION: In particular this view is useful regarding your own values. You can easily compare them with your own local statistics
- Mean and mean of all values: all HbA1c values were taken into account
- Mean and median of patient's median: first the median of every chosen patient is calculated, then the mean and the median of these values. Every patient is analysed only with 1 median.
- Mean and median of the patient's last value: Only the patient's last value of the chosen interval is analysed



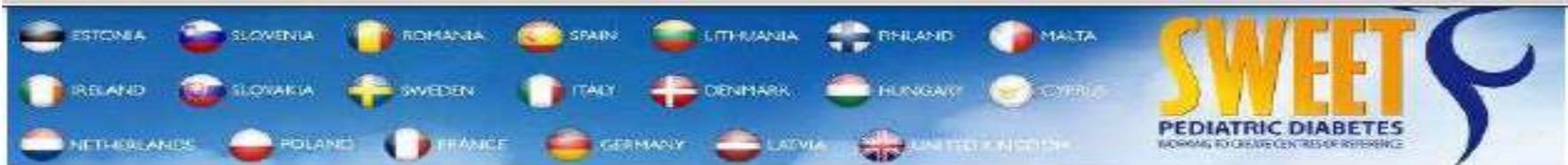
# HbA1c

HbA1c: *raw data*, median of patient's median, T1DM, all ages

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# Greece



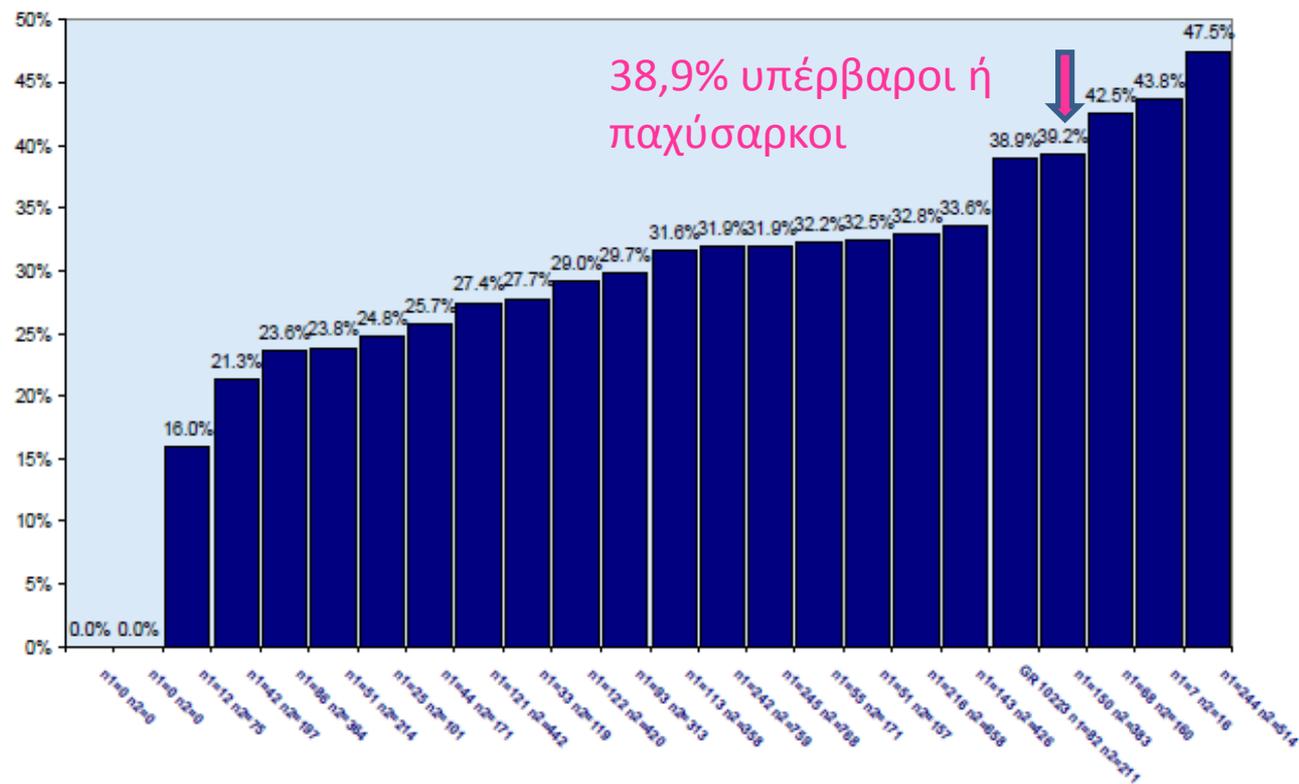
**Metabolic outcome: T1DM, *HbA1c*-RAW**  
**Centre: GR-10223**

**Longitudinal analysis, median of patient's median**

Year	Number of patients	all patients	< 1 year duration	> 1 year duration	age 0 - <6	age 6 - <12	age 12 - <18	age >=18	age 0 - <18
2014	50	7.80	6.80	7.90	7.20	7.25	7.90	7.80	7.80
2013	244	7.43	7.38	7.40	7.50	7.30	7.47	7.45	7.40
2012	367	7.45	7.00	7.45	7.35	7.30	7.53	7.25	7.50
2011	364	7.50	7.10	7.50	7.20	7.40	7.70	7.20	7.50
2010	199	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.60	7.50	7.30	7.50
2009	94	7.60	7.63	7.55	6.80	7.70	7.30	7.80	7.45
2008	32	7.20	7.30	7.00	6.70	7.15	7.00	7.20	7.10

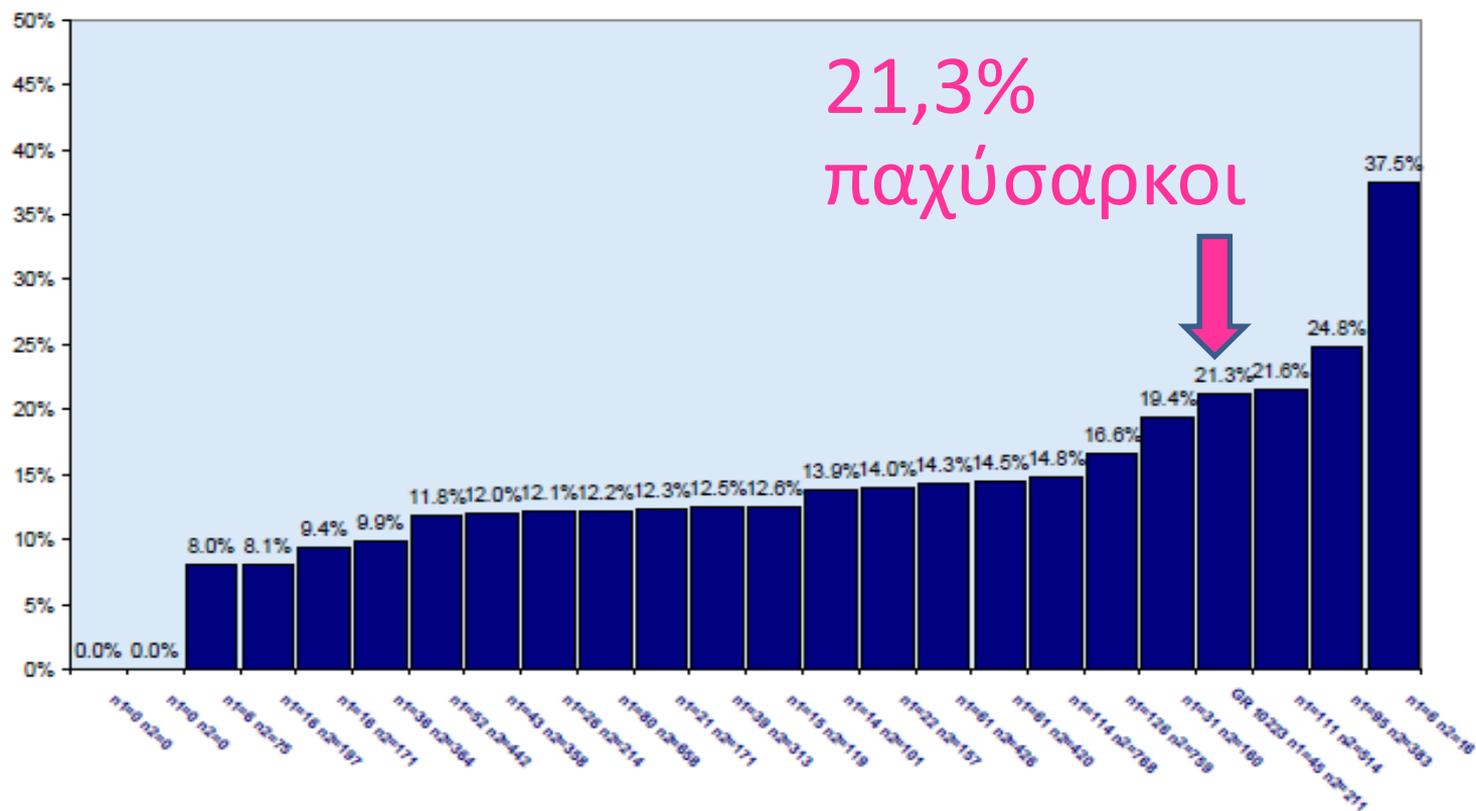
## BMI: percentage of patients with BMI>85p, T1DM, patients 0-18y, WHO 2007 reference

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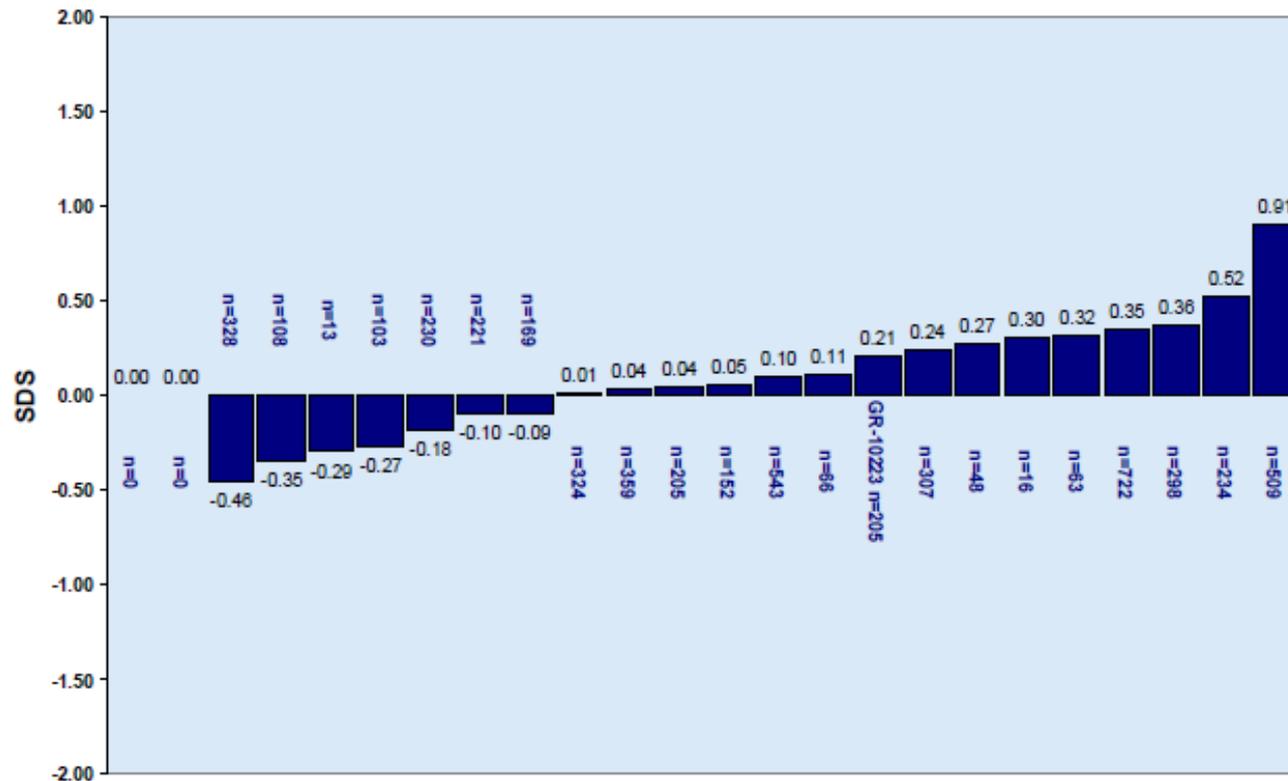
## BMI: percentage of patients with BMI>95p, T1DM, patients 0-18y, WHO 2007 reference

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## Systolic blood pressure expressed in SDS, T1DM, patients 0-18y

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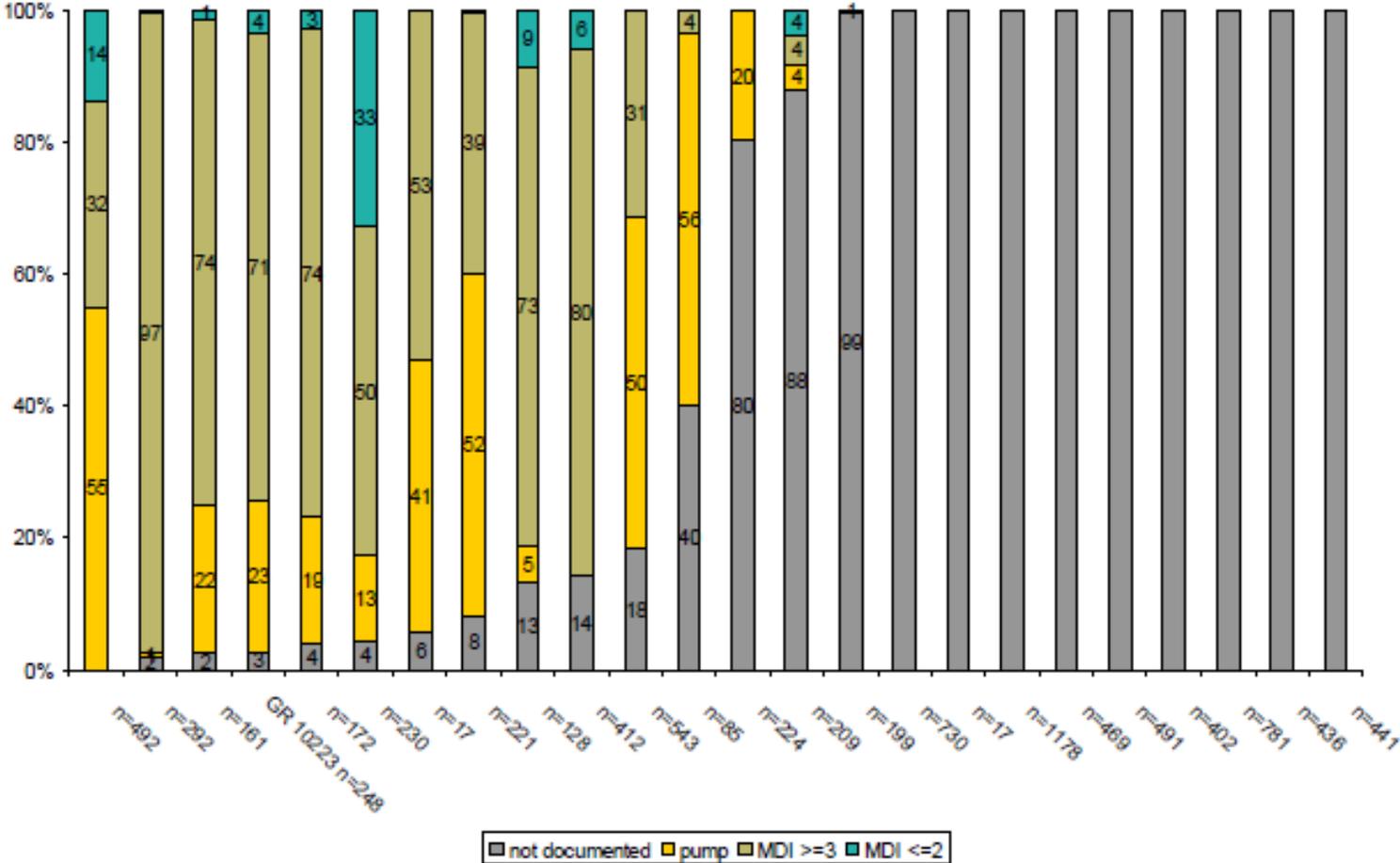


# Insulin treatment, T1DM

22% PUMP  
71% MDI  
4% 2 INJECTIONS



Selected period 01/01/2013 - 31/12/2013



# Έλεγχος για επιπλοκές

## Completeness of monitoring: T1DM, screening Centre: GR-10223

Year	Number of all Patients	Screening for nephropathy percentage and number of patients	Screening for hyperlipidaemia percentage and number of patients	Screening for celiac disease percentage and number of patients	Screening for thyroid disease percentage and number of patients	Screening for retinopathy percentage and number of patients
2014	77	5.0% (2/40)	7.7% (3/39)	1.3% (1/77)	9.1% (7/77)	0.0% (0/40)
2013	248	18.6% (26/140)	47.8% (65/136)	6.9% (17/248)	48.0% (119/248)	8.6% (12/140)
2012	377	1.3% (3/234)	56.7% (131/231)	2.7% (10/377)	57.6% (217/377)	1.7% (4/234)
2011	370	0.9% (2/224)	42.2% (92/218)	0.5% (2/370)	44.3% (164/370)	1.3% (3/224)
2010	202	10.9% (13/119)	57.4% (62/108)	0.5% (1/202)	58.4% (118/202)	18.5% (22/119)
2009	97	0.0% (0/56)	41.8% (23/55)	0.0% (0/97)	43.3% (42/97)	10.7% (6/56)
2008	33	15.0% (3/20)	27.3% (6/22)	0.0% (0/33)	36.4% (12/33)	5.0% (1/20)
2007	25	0.0% (0/17)	18.8% (3/16)	0.0% (0/25)	12.0% (3/25)	0.0% (0/17)
2006	10	12.5% (1/8)	12.5% (1/8)	0.0% (0/10)	20.0% (2/10)	0.0% (0/8)

# High quality of care

- Diabetes is a chronic disease where a high quality of care has a proven impact on the prognosis of the individual patient in terms of life expectancy and quality of life
- High quality of care has an impact on society in terms of medical costs , insurance expenditures and working capacity of patients
- DCCT J Pediatr 1994 125:177-88
- Milton et al Diabet Med 2006 23:821-29

# High quality data

- High quality of care is possible by prospective measurement of the target achievement by the single diabetes unit
- The guidelines to follow should be based on evidence, relying on solid data from a high number of patients who are treated according to a well defined policy and updated according to the results
- SWEET Project may serve as an excellent reference model for children suffering from any type of chronic disease



## CERTIFICATE

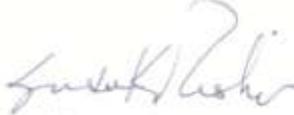
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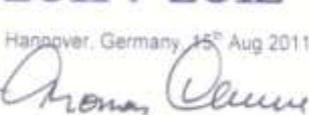
has fulfilled the criteria to qualify as

## CENTRE OF REFERENCE FOR PEDIATRIC DIABETES

2011 / 2012

Hannover, Germany, 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 2011

  
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 ISPAD President

  
 Prof. Dr. Thomas Danne  
 SWEET e.V. Chairman

  
 Joao Manuel Valente Nabais  
 IDF Europe, President Elect

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### Criteria for a Centre of Reference for Pediatric Diabetes

- Sufficient activity and capacity to provide relevant services at a sustained level of quality
- Capacity to provide expert advice, diagnosis or confirmation of diagnosis, to evaluate and adhere to good practice guidelines and to implement outcome measures and quality control
- Multidisciplinary approach
- High level of expertise and experience, as documented through publications, grants, or honorary positions, teaching and training activities
- Strong contribution to research
- Involvement in epidemiological surveillance such as registries
- Close links and collaboration with other expert national and international centres, and capacity to network
- Close links and collaboration with patient associations where they exist
- Appropriate arrangements for patient referrals from other EU countries
- Appropriate capacities for diagnosing, following up and managing patients with evidence of good outcome

# Conclusions

- Treatment of diabetes in children is complex
- The presence of centers of reference with quality control system improve health care
- Electronic database is essential for estimation of indicators for reduction of health care cost

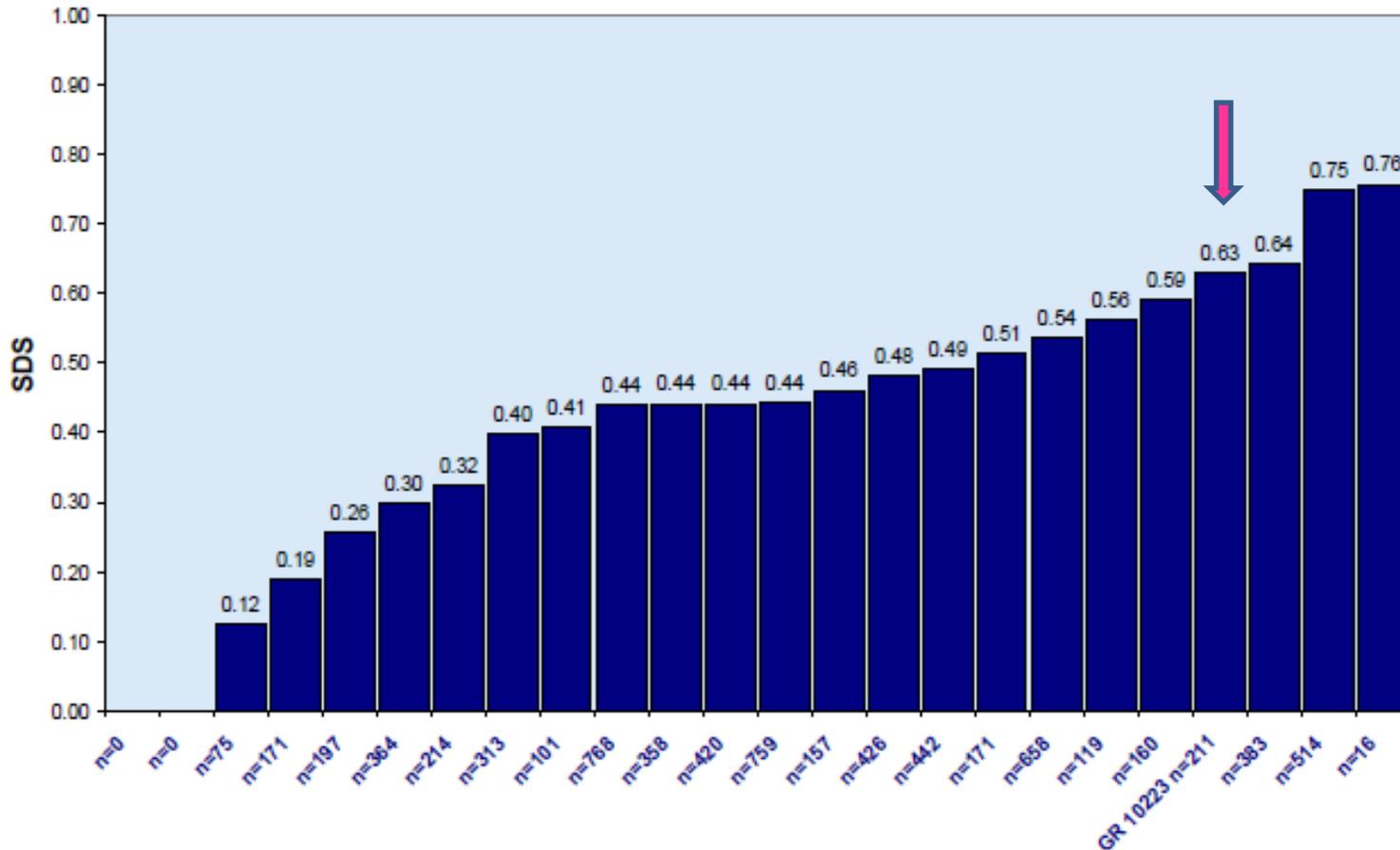


# BMI SDS



BMI-SDS: T1DM, patients 0-18y,  
WHO 2007 reference

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# **SWEET-Benchmarking GR-10223**

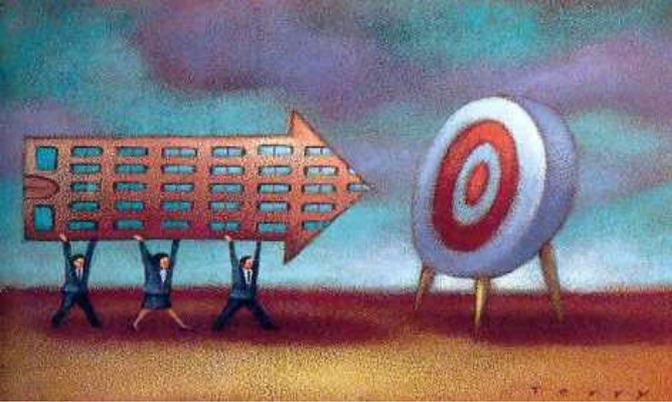
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SWEETBASE-Datapool  
01/01/2006 - 27/03/2014**

**focused on:  
01/01/2013 - 31/12/2013**

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# Treatment targets



## ❖ Normal to near normal glucose levels

- Reduction of frequency of acute complications ( hypoglycemia, ketoacidosis)
- Avoidance of weight increase
- Prevention or delay of chronic complications  
(nephropathy, retinopathy, neuropathy, macroangiopathy)

