## SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

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## Supplemental Table 1. Definition of outcomes ICD-codes

| Outcome | ICD 10 codes |
| :--- | :--- |
| AMI | '410' 'I21' |
| CHD | '410' '411' '412' '413' '414' 'I20' 'I21' 'I22' 'I23' 'I24' 'I25' |
| Stroke | '431' '432' '433' '434' '436' 'I61' 'I62' 'I63' 'I64' |
| CVD | '410' '431' '432' '433' '434' '436' 'I21' 'I61' 'I62' 'I63' 'I64' |
| Atrial fibrillation | '427D' 'I48' |
| Heart Failure | '428' 'I50' |

ICD: International Classification of Diseases; AMI: acute myocardial infarction; CHD: coronary heart disease; CVD: cardiovascular disease

Supplemental Table 2. Descriptive statistics at diagnosis for T2DM with less than 10 years duration and matched controls (entire cohort)

|  | Control | T2DM | $p$ | SMD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| n | 1,575,108 | 318,038 |  |  |
| Male (\%) | 869300 (55-2) | 175553 (55-2) | $0 \cdot 928$ | <0.001 |
| Age (mean (sd)) | $63 \cdot 74$ (12.35) | $63 \cdot 87$ (12.40) | <0.001 | 0.011 |
| Education (\%) |  |  | <0.001 | $0 \cdot 221$ |
| College level | 625910 (40-4) | 129686 (41-6) |  |  |
| Elementary school | 540964 (34.9) | 131141 (42•1) |  |  |
| Upper secondary school | 383752 (24.7) | 50893 (16•3) |  |  |
| Marital status (\%) |  |  | <0.001 | 0.051 |
| Married | 884490 (56-2) | 170827 (53•7) |  |  |
| Separated | 253722 (16-1) | 53510 (16•8) |  |  |
| Single | 247584 (15.7) | 51933 (16.3) |  |  |
| Widowed | 189237 (12.0) | 41768 (13•1) |  |  |
| Income (mean (sd)) | 2017 (4504) | 1731 (2388) | <0.001 | 0.079 |
| Country of origin (\%) |  |  | <0.001 | $0 \cdot 190$ |
| EU | 40568 (2•6) | 7685 (2.4) |  |  |
| Nordic | 75929 (4-8) | 16827 (5•3) |  |  |
| RoW | 78387 (5•0) | 31321 (9•8) |  |  |
| Sweden | 1380138 (87.6) | 262197 (82-4) |  |  |
| Previous CVD (\%) | 109880 (7.0) | 41235 (13.0) | <0.001 | $0 \cdot 201$ |
| Previous CHD (\%) | 122769 (7.8) | 49265 (15•5) | <0.001 | $0 \cdot 242$ |
| Previous AMI (\%) | 60748 (3.9) | 26225 (8-2) | <0.001 | $0 \cdot 185$ |
| Previous Stroke (\%) | 56002 (3.6) | 17671 (5•6) | <0.001 | 0.096 |
| Previous Renal (\%) | 1895 (0.1) | 529 (0.2) | <0.001 | 0.012 |
| Previous HF (\%) | 40409 (2•6) | 17794 (5•6) | <0.001 | $0 \cdot 154$ |
| Previous AF (\%) | 65942 (4-2) | 22184 (7.0) | <0.001 | $0 \cdot 122$ |
| Previous Amputation (\%) | 1242 (0.1) | 611 (0.2) | <0.001 | 0.031 |
| Previous Dementia (\%) | 11339 (0•7) | 954 (0.3) | <0.001 | 0.059 |
| Previous Cancer (\%) | 99414 (6•3) | 22323 (7-0) | <0.001 | 0.028 |

T2DM: type 2 diabetes mellitus; SMD: Standardised mean difference; SD: standard deviation; EU: European Union; RoW: Rest of World; CVD: cardiovascular disease; CHD: coronary heart disease;

AMI: acute myocardial infarction; HF: heart failure; AF: atrial fibrillation

Supplemental Table 3. Baseline Characteristics of Individuals with Type 2 Diabetes, According to Age at

Diagnosis (entire cohort)

|  | Age at diagnosis of type 2 diabetes |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 40 or less | 41 to 50 | 51 to 60 | 61 to 70 | 71 to 80 | 81 to 90 | 91 or older |
| n | 7373 | 20816 | 40041 | 49866 | 28061 | 10010 | 538 |
| Female (\%) | 3145 | 7660 | 15241 | 21303 | 16188 | 6179 | 353 |
|  | (42.7) | (36.8) | (38-1) | (42.7) | (57.7) | (61-7) | (65•6) |
| Age - mean (SD) | 35.06 | 46.53 | 56.40 | $65 \cdot 63$ | $75 \cdot 32$ | 84.45 | 92.93 |
|  | (5-36) | (2.84) | (2-89) | (2•83) | (2.87) | (2-54) | (1-78) |
| $\mathrm{HbA}_{1 \mathrm{c}}$ - mean (SD) | $56 \cdot 13$ | $55 \cdot 80$ | $54 \cdot 14$ | 52.02 | $50 \cdot 71$ | 51.46 | 53.71 |
|  | (19-36) | (18.38) | (17-22) | (15.42) | (13.42) | (13-26) | (14.34) |
| Systolic BP - mean (SD) | $127 \cdot 13$ | 131.53 | $136 \cdot 37$ | $139 \cdot 38$ | $142 \cdot 11$ | 142.86 | $144 \cdot 23$ |
|  | (15-12) | (15-83) | (16-58) | (17.06) | (18.06) | (19.38) | (19.84) |
| Diastolic BP - mean (SD) | 79.45 | $81 \cdot 56$ | 81.54 | 79.46 | 76.88 | $75 \cdot 13$ | 74.31 |
|  | (10.50) | (10-19) | (9.62) | (9.43) | (9.65) | (9.99) | (9.81) |
| Triglycerides - mean (SD) | $2 \cdot 33$ | $2 \cdot 28$ | $2 \cdot 10$ | 1.90 | 1.75 | 1.74 | $1 \cdot 68$ |
|  | (1-78) | (1-69) | (1-42) | (1-14) | (0.91) | (0.86) | (0.89) |
| Antihypertensives - n (\%) | $0 \cdot 18$ | 7910 | 22422 | 34407 | 21326 | 7908 | 425 |
|  | (39) | (38) | (56) | (69) | (76) | (79) | (79) |
| BMI - mean (SD) | 33.62 | 32.02 | $30 \cdot 80$ | $30 \cdot 11$ | 28.93 | 27.34 | 25.96 |
|  | (7-50) | (6-35) | (5-46) | (5-19) | (4.82) | (4-42) | (4-10) |
| LDL cholesterol - mean | 3.06 | $3 \cdot 16$ | $3 \cdot 17$ | 3.07 | $2 \cdot 96$ | 2.96 | $2 \cdot 92$ |
| (SD) | (0.92) | (0.97) | (1.00) | (0.99) | (0.98) | (0.97) | (1-01) |
| HDL cholesterol - mean | 1.06 | $1 \cdot 14$ | $1 \cdot 22$ | $1 \cdot 28$ | $1 \cdot 33$ | $1 \cdot 33$ | $1 \cdot 38$ |
| (SD) | (0.32) | (0.35) | (0.37) | (0.39) | (0.40) | (0.40) | (0.56) |
| Total cholesterol - mean | $5 \cdot 14$ | $5 \cdot 29$ | $5 \cdot 31$ | $5 \cdot 19$ | 5.08 | 5.09 | $5 \cdot 13$ |
| (SD) | (1-18) | (1-17) | (1-18) | (1-13) | (1-12) | (1-13) | (1-22) |
| Statins - n (\%) | $0 \cdot 13$ | 5620 | 14815 | 22439 | 12066 | 3003 | 54 |
|  | (34) | (27) | (37) | (45) | (43) | (30) | (10) |


| Estimated GFR - mean | $107 \cdot 31$ | 97.72 | $90 \cdot 10$ | $82 \cdot 21$ | 71.88 | $63 \cdot 14$ | 57.40 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $(S D)^{1}$ | (28.11) | (27.25) | (22.08) | (21-26) | (20.00) | (18.82) | (19.49) |
| Smokers - n (\%) | 1245 | 4273 | 7769 | 6595 | 1939 | 295 | 4 |
|  | (22.0) | (25-3) | (23.5) | (16-1) | (8.3) | (3.6) | (1.0) |
| Physical activity ${ }^{2}$ - n (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No physical activity | 485 | 1484 | 2617 | 3243 | 2345 | 1444 | 130 |
|  | $(12 \cdot 4)$ | (12.4) | (11-3) | (10.7) | (14.7) | (26-2) | (45.6) |
| Less than once/week | 542 | 1627 | 2906 | 3247 | 1800 | 818 | 36 |
|  | $(13.8)$ | (13.6) | (12.6) | (10.7) | (11.3) | (14.8) | (12.6) |
| 1-2 times/week | 896 | 2612 | 5061 | 5971 | 3135 | 1070 | 37 |
|  | (22.9) | (21-8) | (21.9) | (19.7) | (19.6) | (19.4) | (13.0) |
| 3-5 times/week | 1000 | 3009 | 5848 | 7334 | 3465 | 919 | 41 |
|  | (25-5) | (25-2) | (25-3) | (24.3) | (21.7) | (16.7) | (14.4) |
| Daily physical activity | 996 | 3232 | 6714 | 10442 | 5212 | 1262 | 41 |
|  | (25.4) | (27.0) | (29.0) | (34.5) | (32.7) | (22.9) | (14.4) |

SD: standard deviation; HbA1c: hemoglobin A1C; BP: blood pressure; BMI: body mass index; LDL:
low-density lipoproteins; HDL: high-density lipoproteins; GFR: glomerular filtration rate

Supplemental Table 4. Median survival time by age at diagnosis for T2DM and corresponding matched controls

| Age-group | Group | median | lower | upper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 to 20 | T2DM | 75.76660 | 74.59491 | 78.35238 |
|  | Control | 87.61522 | 85.72131 | 89.12252 |
| 21 to 30 | T2DM | 78.42790 | 76.56947 | 80.36083 |
|  | Control | 85.19918 | 84.11214 | 86.67750 |
| 31 to 40 | T2DM | 78.48106 | 77.79671 | 79.37931 |
|  | Control | 85.93635 | 85.39699 | 86.62891 |
| 41 to 50 | T2DM | 79.29763 | 79.02875 | 79.58031 |
|  | Control | 85.54152 | 85.33949 | 85.75017 |
| 51 to 60 | T2DM | 81.98973 | 81.81793 | 82.14636 |
|  | Control | 85.90349 | 85.81805 | 85.99863 |
| 61 to 70 | T2DM | 84.70226 | 84.57963 | 84.82341 |
|  | Control | 86.73317 | 86.66872 | 86.80151 |
| 71 to 80 | T2DM | 87.68047 | 87.57278 | 87.79204 |
|  | Control | 88.24013 | 88.18743 | 88.29489 |
| 81 to 90 | T2DM | 91.70922 | 91.56594 | 91.84725 |
|  | Control | 91.48038 | 91.41056 | 91.55362 |
| 91 or older | T2DM | 97.91170 | 97.52361 | 98.31348 |
|  | Control | 97.49361 | 97.30036 | 97.71458 |

## Supplemental statistical analyses: the statistical model

The statistical model we use differs slightly from the standard Cox proportional hazards model and the reason for this is the inclusion of the diabetes free controls in the design. We use age as the underlying time scale which allows the baseline hazard to capture the increase in hazard due to aging. To allow persons with diabetes to age at a different rate than the diabetes free controls we need to include duration of diabetes as a second time scale. The duration of diabetes is only defined for persons with diabetes and we need to find a way to handle that in the statistical model. There have been several attempts at this in prior papers including allocating the value of duration for a specific person with diabetes at the index date to the corresponding controls or stratifying on duration of diabetes for the persons with diabetes and letting the controls follow the corresponding person with diabetes. We have developed a more robust statistical method to model and therefore account for the effect of duration.

## Duration



## Supplemental Figure 1: Lexis Diagram illustrating the two-time scales involved in a design with person with diabetes together with matched controls

T2DM: type 2 diabetes mellitus.

As an illustration let's look at the hazard function for a person using age as the underlying time scale. Let the hazard due to aging while diabetes free be denoted $\lambda_{0}(t)$ and that at some age $t_{d}$ the patient is diagnosed with diabetes. At this point life becomes more hazardous which we model by adding $\alpha$ to the log hazard. For every
year beyond the age of diagnosis the patient now ages at a different rate compared to a diabetes free person which we represent by adding $\beta$ to the log hazard for every year the patient lived with the disease.

Mathematically the model looks like

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\begin{gathered}
\lambda(t)=\lambda_{0}(t) \exp \left(\alpha I_{\left\{t>t_{d}\right\}}+\left(t-t_{d}\right) \beta I_{\left\{t>t_{d}\right\}}\right)= \\
\lambda_{0}(t) \exp \left(\alpha I_{\left\{t>t_{d}\right\}}+D(t) \beta\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

where $D(t)=\left(t-t_{d}\right) I_{\left\{t>t_{d}\right\}}$ is simply the duration at age $t$ for patients diagnosed with diabetes and zero for those not diagnosed (including the controls) which can be illustrated as in figure 2 where the dotted line represents aging for a person with diabetes in absence of any effect of duration. In the design with controls match to diabetic patients based on age and sex we can view the controls as patients who have not yet been diagnosed with diabetes and therefore $t<t_{d}$ during the entire time we follow these patients and thus they get no contribution from the term $D(t)=\left(t-t_{d}\right) I_{\left\{t>t_{d}\right\}}$. It is practical to code for this in the data set by simply setting duration to zero.


## Supplemental figure 2: The hazard as a function of age

diag: diagnosis.

Supplemental Table 5. Comorbidities by age at diagnosis DM

|  | Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 40 or less |  | 41 to 50 |  | 51 to 60 |  | 61 to 70 |  | 71 to 80 |  | 81 to 90 |  | 91 or older |  |
|  | T2DM | Controls | T2DM | Controls | T2DM | Controls | T2DM | Controls | T2DM | Controls | T2DM | Controls | T2DM | Controls |
| n | 15209 | 77520 | 40873 | 219128 | 71832 | 405423 | 69970 | 408513 | 34554 | 203600 | 8520 | 47702 | 320 | 1726 |
| Previous Renal | 12 | 33 | 68 | 134 | 103 | 294 | 88 | 358 | 28 | 169 | 1 | 27 | 0 | 1 |
| (\%) | (0.1) | (0.0) | (0.2) | (0.1) | (0•1) | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.0) | (0.1) | (0.0) | (0.1) |
| Previous | 2 | 5 | 27 | 40 | 97 | 84 | 99 | 159 | 59 | 148 | 26 | 109 | 2 | 5 |
| Amputation (\%) | (0.0) | (0.0) | (0.1) | (0.0) | (0•1) | (0.0) | (0.1) | (0.0) | (0.2) | (0.1) | (0.3) | (0.2) | (0.6) | (0.3) |
| Previous | 3 | 2 | 6 | 25 | 37 | 212 | 89 | 1116 | 161 | 2825 | 85 | 1910 | 7 | 122 |
| Dementia (\%) | (0.0) | (0.0) | (0.0) | (0.0) | (0•1) | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.3) | (0.5) | (1.4) | (1.0) | (4.0) | (2-2) | (7-1) |
| Previous Cancer | 166 | 502 | 874 | 3419 | 3293 | 15456 | 5789 | 30636 | 3779 | 21023 | 1047 | 5561 | 40 | 199 |
| (\%) | (1-1) | (0.6) | (2-1) | (1.6) | (4•6) | (3.8) | (8.3) | (7.5) | (10.9) | (10.3) | (12-3) | (11-7) | (12.5) | (11.5) |

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Supplemental Figure 3.


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CVD: cardiovascular disease; CV: cardiovascular; CHD: coronary heart disease; AMI: acute myocardial infarction; HF: heart failure; CI : confidence interval.

