

# Association between exposure to GLP-1 receptor agonists and risk of suicide-related and self-harm-related events

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Study

Finalised

## Administrative details

### PURI

<https://redirect.ema.europa.eu/resource/1000000052>

### EU PAS number

EUPAS1000000052

### Study ID

1000000052

### DARWIN EU® study

No

### Study countries

United Kingdom

### Study description

Cohort study aimed at investigating the association between GLP-1 receptor agonists and increased risk of suicide-related and self-injury-related events.

### Study status

Finalised

## Research institution and networks

# Institutions

## European Medicines Agency (EMA)

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Institution

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## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned:

15/08/2023

Actual:

15/08/2023

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### Study start date

Planned:

15/09/2023

Actual:

15/09/2023

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### Data analysis start date

Planned:

27/09/2023

Actual:

27/09/2023

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### Date of final study report

Planned:  
08/11/2023  
Actual:  
14/11/2023

## Sources of funding

- EMA

## Study protocol

[FINAL\\_Protocol - Suicidal ideation and GLP1a\\_v1.6.pdf\(1011.55 KB\)](#)

## Regulatory

**Was the study required by a regulatory body?**

Yes

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**Is the study required by a Risk Management Plan (RMP)?**

Not applicable

## Methodological aspects

### Study type

#### Study type list

**Study type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Main study objective:**

Is the use of GLP-1 receptor agonists associated with an increased risk of suicide-related and self-harm-related events when compared to patients who are prescribed SGLT-2 inhibitors among T2DM patients?

## Study Design

## Non-interventional study design

Cohort

# Study drug and medical condition

## Name of medicine, other

GLP-1 receptor agonists

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## Medical condition to be studied

Suicidal ideation  
Self-injurious ideation  
Suicide attempt  
Completed suicide

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## Additional medical condition(s)

Self-injury/self-harm

# Population studied

## Short description of the study population

The population eligible for the study will consist of patients:

- registered with a GP-practice covered by IQVIA™ Medical research data (IMRD),
- who initiated treatment with GLP-1 receptor agonists or SGLT-2 inhibitors (new users) during the study period,
- who had not used GLP-1 receptor agonists or SGLT-2 inhibitors before index-date (i.e., date of index treatment initiation and the start of follow-up in the study),
- with at least one year (365 days) of recorded medical history prior to index-date,
- with at least one diagnosis of T2DM before index-date,
- with no history of suicide-related or self-harm-related events prior to index-date,
- who have been treated with biguanides (e.g., metformin, which is considered first-line antidiabetic treatment according to NICE guidelines (NICE, 2022)) before index-date.

No exclusion will be applied according to age.

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## Age groups

All

# Documents

## Study report

[Final study report\\_Suicidal ideation and GLP1.pdf](#)(4.35 MB)

# Data management

# Data sources

**Data source(s)**

IQVIA Medical Research Data - OMOP

## Use of a Common Data Model (CDM)

**CDM mapping**

No

## Data quality specifications

**Check conformance**

Yes

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**Check completeness**

Yes

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**Check stability**

Yes

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**Check logical consistency**

Yes

## Data characterisation

**Data characterisation conducted**

Yes