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Dapagliflozin or Saxagliptin in Pediatric Type 2 Diabetes

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- Despite the growing global burden of type 2 diabetes (T2DM) among children and adolescents, the treatment options available are currently limited.
- This was a randomized trial evaluating the efficacy and safety of Dapagliflozin (5 mg, n=81) in children and adolescents (age 10-17 years) with uncontrolled T2DM receiving Metformin, insulin, or both compared to Saxagliptin (2.5 mg, n=88) and placebo (n=76).
- At week 26, mean change in glycosylated hemoglobin (HbA1c) was -0.62% for Dapagliflozin compared to 0.41% for the placebo.
- The difference vs. placebo in HbA1c was -1.03 % (p<0.001) for Dapagliflozin and -0.44% (p=0.078) for Saxagliptin.

Dapagliflozin showed significant improvement in HbA1c and may be an important treatment consideration in children and adolescents with T2DM.

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