Supplementary Table S1. Comparison of Baseline Characteristics between the Selected Individuals for this Study and the Full Type 2 Diabetes Population in GoDARTS.

	Current Study	GoDARTS Type 2 Diabetes
	(n=5,152)	Cases (n=8,698)
Age (years)	65	67
Male (%)	56.1	56.3
Body Mass Index (kg/m2)	32	31
Smoking history (%)	51	63
Systolic blood pressure (mmHg)	139	141
Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg)	77	77
Glycated Haemoglobin (mmol/mol)	59.6	60.7
Glycated Haemoglobin (%)	7.6	7.7
Total Cholesterol (mmol/l)	4.4	4.3
HDL-Cholesterol (mmol/l)	1.3	1.3

GoDARTS Type 2 diabetes baseline data taken from Hebert et al., 2018 (reference 20 in the manuscript)

Supplementary Table S2. Association between Retinal Risk Score and Major Adverse Cardiovascular Events Across Genetic and Clinical Risk Tertiles

	Adjusted Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	p value	Interaction p value
Polygenic Ri	sk Score Tertile		0.13
1	1.17 (1.03-1.32)	0.014	
2	1.08 (0.97-1.22)	0.17	
3	1.08 (0.97-1.19)	0.15	
Pooled Coho	0.09		
1	1.17 (1.01-1.35)	0.031	
2	1.18 (1.06-1.31)	0.002	
3	1.03 (0.93-1.14)	0.62	

Multivariable model included: age, sex, glycated haemoglobin, duration of diabetes, retinal risk score

PCE and CHD PRS. All hazard ratios per standard deviation increase.

Supplementary Table S3. Area Under the Curve, Integrated Discrimination Improvement and Continuous Net Reclassification for Retinal Risk Score and CHD PRS versus the Pooled Cohort Equations ASCVD Risk Score for Prediction of Major Adverse Cardiovascular Events at 10 Years.

	Model 1 Model 2		2	Model 3		Model 4		Model 5	
	PCE only	Retinal Risk	р	CHD PRS +	р	CHD PRS +	р	CHD PRS +	p value
	(baseline)	Score + Age +	value	Age + Sex	value	Retinal Risk	value	Retinal Risk	
		Sex				Score + Age +		Score + ASCVD	
						Sex		Risk Score + Age	
								+ Sex	
AUC	0.658	0.663	0.33	0.683	<0.001	0.686	<0.001	0.690	<0.001
	(0.640-0.677)	(0.645-0.681)		(0.665-0.701)		(0.667-0.704)		(0.672-0.708)	
IDI (vs.	-	0.001	0.79	0.018	<0.001	0.019	<0.001	0.023	<0.001
PCE only)		(-0.003-0.004)		(0.012-0.023)		(0.013-0.025)		(0.018-0.028)	
Continuous	-	0.080	0.024	0.216	<0.001	0.240	<0.001	0.319	<0.001
NRI (vs.		(0.010-0.150)		(0.147-0.285)		(0.171-0.309)		(0.251- 0.388)	
PCE only)									

AUC – Area Under the Curve; PCE – Pooled Cohort Equations Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease Risk Score; PRS – Coronary Heart

Disease Genetic Risk Score; IDI – Integrated Discrimination Improvement; NRI – Net Reclassification Index.

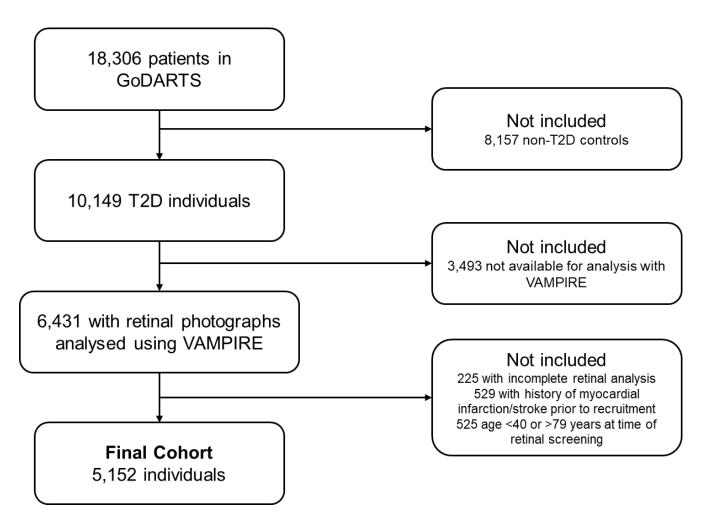
Bold indicates p<0.05. All p values vs. Model 1.

Supplementary Table S4. List of Abbreviations.

- AI artificial intelligence
- ASCVD atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease
- AUC area under the curve
- CHD coronary heart disease
- CRAE central retinal arteriolar equivalent
- CRVE central retinal venular equivalent
- $CVD-cardiovascular\ disease$
- DRS diabetes retinal screening
- EHR electronic health record
- FD(a/v) fractal dimension (arterial/venous)
- GoDARTS Genetics of Diabetes Audit and Research Tayside Study
- HbA1c glycated haemoglobin
- HR hazard ratio
- ICD International Classification of Diseases
- IDI integrated discrimination index
- MACE major adverse cardiovascular events
- MI-myocardial infarction
- NRI net reclassification index
- PCE pooled cohort equations
- PRS polygenic risk score
- ROC receiver operator characteristic
- SNP single nucleotide polymorphism
- Tort (a/v) tortuosity (arterial/venous)
- VAMPIRE Vascular Assessment and Measurement Platform for Images of the Retina

Supplementary Figure 1. Study Flowchart.

Cohort derivation.



Supplementary Figure 2. Correlations between Retinal Vascular Parameters and Continuous Clinical and Genomic Risk Factors.

Correlation matrix showing correlation coefficent (Pearson r) between Retinal Vascular Parameters and Continuous Clinical and Genomic Risk Factors.

	Fractal Dimension (arterial)	Fractal Dimension (venous)	Tortuosity (arterial)	Tortuosity (venous)	CRAE	CRVE	Retinal Risk Score	– (0.1
Age	-0.061	-0.058	-0.056	0.014	-0.032	-0.062	0.062		
SBP	-0.029	0.021	-0.002	0.062	-0.064	-0.020	0.084		
DBP	0.015	0.057	0.001	-0.043	-0.029	0.068	-0.020		
HbA1c	-0.020	0.017	0.011	0.004	0.003	0.071	0.005		
тс	0.026	0.042	0.004	-0.008	0.012	0.055	-0.025		0
HDL	0.008	0.032	-0.009	-0.006	0.027	0.003	-0.020		
BMI	-0.025	0.012	0.049	0.029	-0.002	0.037	0.031		
Diabetes Duration	-0.037	-0.009	0.013	0.062	-0.044	-0.052	0.074		
PCE	-0.067	-0.049	-0.038	0.034	-0.068	-0.055	0.094		-0.1
CHD PRS	-0.024	-0.031	0.017	-0.023	0.044	0.038	-0.021		·v. I

Correlation coefficient

SBP – systolic blood pressure; DBP – diastolic blood pressure; HbA1c – glycated haemoglobin; TC – total cholesterol; HDL – high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; BMI – body mass index; PCE – pooled cohort equations atherosclerotic cardiovascular risk score; CHD PRS – coronary heart disease polygenic risk score; CRAE – central retinal arterial equivalent; CRVE – central retinal venous equivalent

Supplementary Figure 3. Association between Retinal Risk Score and Major Adverse Cardiovascular Events.

Kaplan-Meier curve showing the association between tertiles of retinal risk score and time to first MACE incidence.

