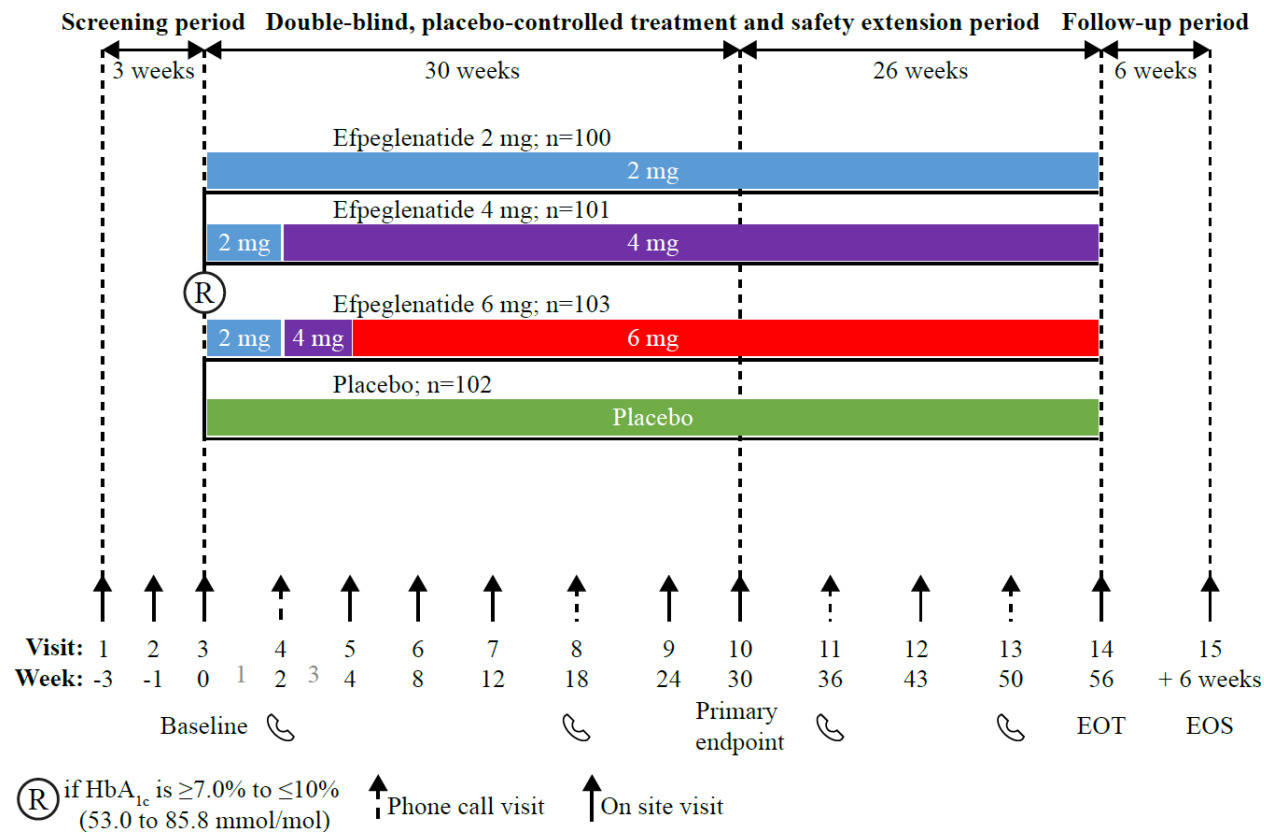


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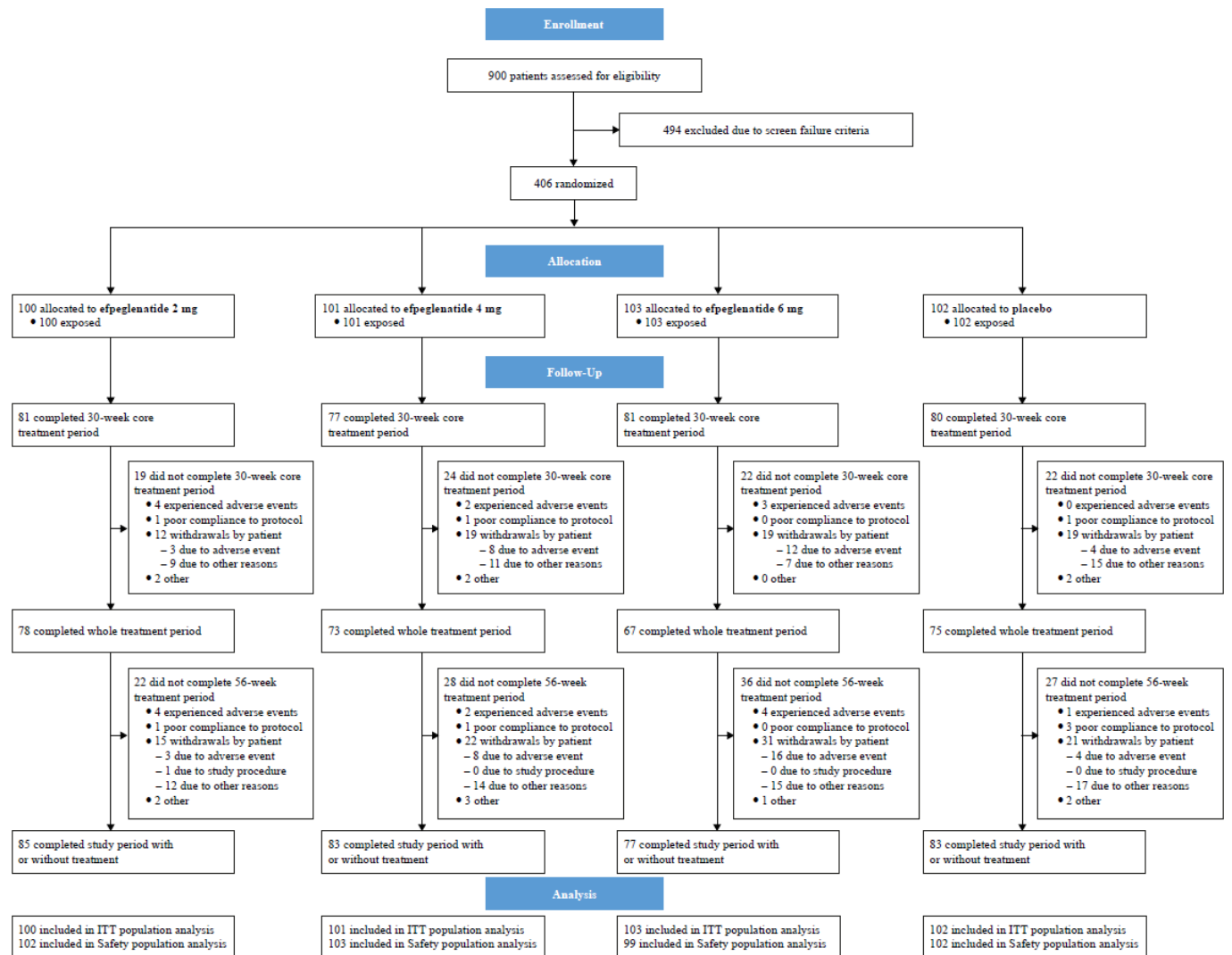
Supplementary Figure 1. Graphical study design



⬆ ; phone call visit; EOS, end of study; EOT, end of treatment; R, randomized

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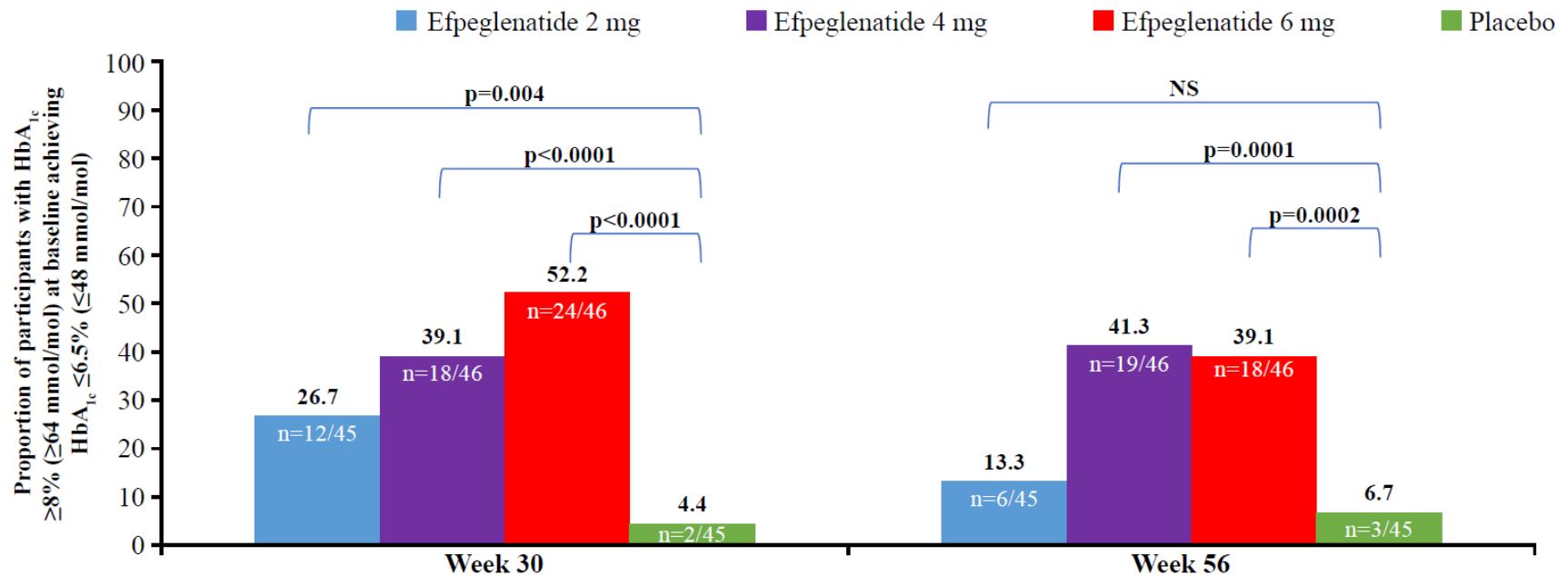
Supplementary Figure 2. Patient disposition



EOS, end of study; ITT, intent-to-treat analysis

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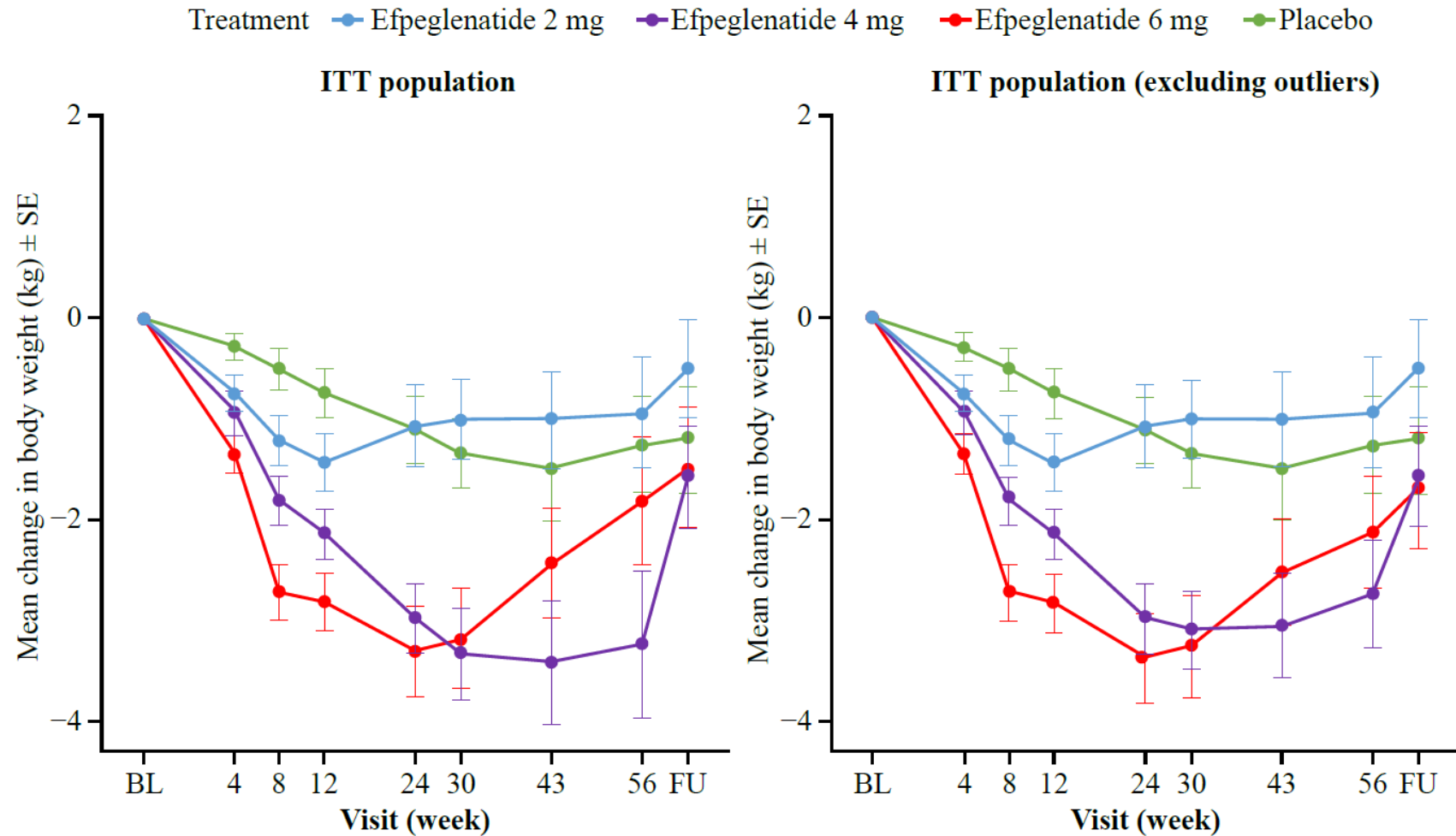
Supplementary Figure 3. Achievement of $\text{HbA}_{1c} \leq 6.5\%$ (48 mmol/mol) target in patients who had an HbA_{1c} of $\geq 8\%$ (64 mmol/mol) at baseline



NS, not significant

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Supplementary Figure 4. Mean change in body weight – ITT population/ITT population excluding outliers



BL, baseline; FU, follow-up, ITT, intent-to-treat

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Supplementary Table 1. Key Inclusion/exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria	
1	Patients were ≥ 18 years of age at the time of signing the informed consent
2	Patients with type 2 diabetes and treated with diet and exercise
3	HbA _{1c} between 7.0% and 10.0% (53–86 mmol/mol; inclusive) measured by the central laboratory at Screening
4	Capable of giving signed informed consent as described in Appendix 1 of the protocol, which included compliance with the requirements and restrictions listed in the ICF and in the protocol
Exclusion criteria	
1	Clinically relevant history of GI disease associated with prolonged nausea and vomiting, including (but not limited to) gastroparesis, unstable and not controlled gastroesophageal reflux disease within 6 months prior to screening or history of surgery affecting gastric emptying
2	History of pancreatitis (unless pancreatitis was related to gallstone and cholecystectomy had been performed) and pancreatitis during previous treatment with incretin therapies, chronic pancreatitis, and pancreatectomy
3	Personal or family history of MTC or genetic conditions that predisposes to MTC (multiple endocrine neoplasia syndromes)
4	Retinopathy or maculopathy with one of the following treatments, either recent (within 3 months prior to screening) or planned: intravitreal injections or laser or vitrectomy surgery
5	Body weight change of ≥ 5 kg within the last 3 months prior to screening
6	Systolic blood pressure > 180 mmHg and/or diastolic blood pressure > 100 mmHg at Randomization
7	End stage renal disease as defined by estimated glomerular filtration rate (by MDRD) of < 15 mL/min/1.73 m ²
8	Known presence of factors that interfered with the HbA _{1c} measurement (e.g., specific hemoglobin variants, hemolytic anemia) compromising the reliability of HbA _{1c} assessment or medical conditions that affected interpretation of HbA _{1c} results (blood transfusion or severe blood loss in the last 3 months prior to Randomization, any condition that shortens erythrocyte survival)
9	Any clinically significant abnormality identified either in medical history, during physical examination, laboratory tests, ECG, or vital signs at the time of screening or any AE during the Screening Period which, in the judgment of the investigator, precluded safe participation in the study and interpretation of the study results
10	Laboratory findings at the Screening Visit:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ALT or AST >3 times the ULN or total bilirubin >1.5 times the ULN (except in case of documented Gilbert's syndrome) - Amylase and/or lipase: >3 times the ULN laboratory range - Calcitonin ≥ 5.9 pmol/L (20 pg/mL)
11	Patients receiving antidiabetic drug treatment within 3 months prior to screening
12	Systemic glucocorticoid therapy (excluding topical, intra articular, or ophthalmic application, nasal spray or inhaled forms) for more than 10 consecutive days in the last 3 months prior to screening
13	Gastric surgery or other gastric procedures intended for weight loss within 2 years prior to screening, or planned during study period
14	Exposure to any investigational drugs in the last 4 weeks or 5 half-lives, whichever was longer, prior to screening
15	Concomitant enrollment in any other clinical study involving an investigational study treatment or any other type of medical research
16	Hypersensitivity to any of the study treatments, or components thereof, or to any GLP-1 RAs
17	History of drug or alcohol abuse within 6 months prior to the time of screening
18	Pregnant (demonstrated by serum pregnancy test at Screening) or breastfeeding women
19	Women of childbearing potential not willing to use highly effective method(s) of birth control or who were unwilling to be tested for pregnancy during the study period and for at least 5 weeks after the last dose of study intervention
20	Patient was an employee of the Sponsor, or was the investigator or any sub-investigator, research assistant, pharmacist, study coordinator, other staff or relative thereof directly involved in the conduct of the protocol
21	Any country related specific regulation that could prevent the patient from entering the study
22	Individuals committed to an institution by virtue of an order issued either by the judicial or the administrative authorities
23	No confirmation of complete recording of the 24-hour ECG performed during Screening Period
24	Patients unwilling or unable to comply with study procedures as outlined in the protocol
25	Patients who withdrew consent during the Screening Period (starting from signed ICF)

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AE, adverse event; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; ECG, electrocardiogram; GLP-1 RA, glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist; GI, gastrointestinal; ICF, informed consent form; MDRD, Modification of Diet in Renal Disease; MTC, medullary thyroid cancer; ULN, upper limit of normal

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Supplementary Table 2. Open-label rescue medication: threshold criteria*

Time in study	Threshold
From Randomization up to and including the scheduled week 8 visit (Visit 6)	FPG >15.0 mmol/L (>270 mg/dL)
After the week 8 visit up to and including the scheduled week 12 visit (Visit 7)	FPG >13.3 mmol/L (>240 mg/dL)
After the week 12 visit (Visit 7) to and including the end of the 30-week Core Treatment Period	FPG >11.1 mmol/L (>200 mg/dL) or HbA _{1c} ≥8% (64 mmol/mol)
After the week 30 Visit (Visit 10) to and including the end of the treatment period	FPG >8.9 mmol/L (>160 mg/dL) or HbA _{1c} ≥7% (53 mmol/mol)

FPG, fasting plasma glucose

*If a patient's FPG reading exceeded the appropriate threshold for 3 successive days, then a central laboratory FPG and HbA_{1c} measurement was arranged to confirm hyperglycemia. If a central laboratory rescue alert was received, this needed to be re-tested and confirmed before rescue medication could be initiated. Details of these measurements were not shared with investigators while the study was ongoing, although investigators were made aware that an alert had been received. Patients requiring glycemic rescue were still able to receive their allocated study treatment, which remained blinded until the end of the study unless investigators considered a change to be necessary for safety reasons.

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Supplementary Table 3. Details of treatment-emergent adverse events of special interest (AESIs), and adverse events requiring specific monitoring (AERSMs) by prespecified grouping and preferred term (Safety population), treatment-induced ADAs (ADA population) and changes in vital signs during the whole on-treatment period

Category/ Preferred Term n (%)	Efpeglenatide 2 mg	Efpeglenatide 4 mg	Efpeglenatide 6 mg	Placebo
Patients with any TEAE of special interest (AESI)	1 (1.0)	3 (2.9)	1 (1.0)	0
Pregnancy	0	0	0	0
Symptomatic overdose with study treatment/non-study treatment	0	0	0	0
Increase in ALT >3 x ULN	1 (1.0)	3 (2.9)	1 (1.0)	0
Patients with any AERSM	9 (8.8)	6 (5.8)	8 (8.1)	7 (6.9)
Severe GI events	4 (3.9)	2 (1.9)	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)
Pancreatic events	2 (2.0)	0	3 (3.0)	2 (2.0)
Selected cardiovascular event	2 (2.0)	2 (1.9)	1 (1.0)	4 (3.9)
Calcitonin and thyroid C-cell neoplasm	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Acute renal failure	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)	0	0
Diabetic retinopathy complications	0	0	4 (4.0)	0
Severe GI events [a]	4 (3.9)	2 (1.9)	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)
Gastroesophageal reflux disease	0	0	1 (1.0)	0
Abdominal distension	0	1 (1.0)	0	0
Abdominal pain upper	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Colitis	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Constipation	0	1 (1.0)	0	0
Diarrhea	1 (1.0)	0	0	1 (1.0)
Functional gastrointestinal disorder	0	1 (1.0)	0	0
Gastroenteritis	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Pancreatic events [b]	2 (2.0)	0	3 (3.0)	2 (2.0)
Lipase increased	1 (1.0)	0	3 (3.0)	1 (1.0)

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Amylase increased	0	0	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)
Pancreatitis chronic	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Selected cardiovascular event [b]	2 (2.0)	2 (1.9)	1 (1.0)	4 (3.9)
Suspected or Confirmed Cerebrovascular event	0	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)	0
Vertebral artery stenosis	0	0	1 (1.0)	0
Cerebral artery stenosis	0	1 (1.0)	0	0
Suspected or confirmed myocardial infarction or unstable angina	1 (1.0)	0	0	4 (3.9)
Acute myocardial infarction	0	0	0	1 (1.0)
Angina unstable	0	0	0	1 (1.0)
Chest pain	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Coronary artery stenosis	0	0	0	1 (1.0)
Myocardial infarction	0	0	0	1 (1.0)
Suspected or Confirmed Heart Failure [c]	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)	0	1 (1.0)
Cardiac failure	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)	0	0
Cardiac failure congestive	0	0	0	1 (1.0)
Primary cause of cardiovascular death [d]	0	0	0	0
Calcitonin and thyroid C-cell neoplasm [a]	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Calcitonin increase	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Blood calcitonin increased	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Thyroid C-cell neoplasm	0	0	0	0
Acute renal failure [a]	1 (1.0)	1 (1.0)	0	0
Acute kidney injury	0	1 (1.0)	0	0
Renal failure	1 (1.0)	0	0	0
Diabetic retinopathy complications [b]	0	0	4 (4.0)	0
Diabetic retinopathy	0	0	2 (2.0)	0
Vision blurred	0	0	2 (2.0)	0
Patients with any treatment-induced ADA	4 (4.1)	13 (12.7)	16 (16.3)	0
Transient ADA response [e]	1 (25.0)	2 (15.4)	2 (12.5)	0
Persistent ADA response [f]	2 (50.0)	10 (76.9)	11 (68.8)	0

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Indeterminate ADA response [g]	1 (25.0)	1 (7.7)	3 (18.8)	0
Vital signs*				
Patients with abnormal ECG result, n (%)				
Baseline	42 (41.2)	42 (40.8)	43 (43.9)	49 (48.0)
Week 56	33 (45.2)	33 (46.5)	26 (40.6)	35 (48.6)
Systolic blood pressure, mmHg (mean [SD])				
Baseline	138.0 (15.9)	134.5 (13.5)	138.4 (16.7)	134.8 (14.6)
Week 56	132.8 (14.4)	131.0 (17.2)	135.3 (16.9)	134.4 (15.4)
Diastolic blood pressure, mmHg (mean [SD])				
Baseline	79.1 (10.3)	81.6 (9.0)	81.3 (9.2)	80.5 (8.9)
Week 56	78.2 (10.3)	78.6 (9.0)	82.0 (9.6)	78.7 (8.9)
Heart rate, bpm (mean [SD])				
Baseline	70.3 (10.5)	72.6 (10.4)	71.7 (12.8)	71.1 (11.5)
Week 56	71.1 (10.8)	73.5 (8.4)	75.2 (9.8)	69.7 (11.4)

ADA, anti-drug antibody. AESRM, adverse event requiring specific monitoring; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; CMQ, Customized MedDRA query; eCRF, electronic case report form; ECG, electrocardiogram; GI, Gastrointestinal; SMQ, Standardized MedDRA query; ULN, upper limit of normal

n (%) = number and percentage of patients

Safety population comprised efpeglenatide 2 mg (n=102), efpeglenatide 4 mg (n=103), efpeglenatide 6 mg (n=99) and placebo (n=102). ADA population comprised efpeglenatide 2 mg (n=98), efpeglenatide 4 mg (n=102) and efpeglenatide 6 mg (n=98). The Whole On-treatment Period is defined as the time from the first injection of study drug up to 30 days (7 days for hypoglycemia) after the last injection of study drug.

[a] AERSMs are identified via CMQ or SMQ;

[b] AERSMs are identified via eCRF;

[c] Suspected or confirmed heart failure includes suspected or confirmed heart failure led to unplanned hospitalization, led to urgent/unscheduled visit to emergency room or an urgent/unscheduled outpatient heart failure treatment unit, or infusion center, or office/practice visit, not followed by hospitalization, or occurred while patient was hospitalized for another reason as recorded in eCRF;

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[d] Cardiovascular death includes death with primary cause recorded in eCRF as Acute Myocardial Infarction, Sudden cardiac death, Heart failure or cardiogenic shock, Stroke, Complication of cardiovascular procedure, Other cardiovascular cause, or Undetermined cause of death;

[e] Persistent ADA response is defined as treatment-emergent or treatment-boosted ADA detected at ≥ 2 sampling points during the study, where the first and last samples are separated by ≥ 16 weeks;

[f] Transient ADA response is defined as treatment-emergent or treatment-boosted ADA 1) detected at only one sampling point during the study (excluding the last sampling point) or 2) detected at ≥ 2 sampling points during the study, where the first and last samples are separated by < 16 weeks and the last time point is ADA negative;

[g] Indeterminate ADA response is defined as treatment-emergent or treatment-boosted ADA where only the last sampling point is positive, and all previous samples are negative.

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Supplementary Table 4. Hierarchical testing structure

Endpoint type	Endpoints (prioritised order)	P value
Primary	1. Change from baseline to week 30 in HbA _{1c} (%) for efpeglenatide 6 mg versus placebo	p<0.0001
	2. Change from baseline to week 30 in HbA _{1c} (%) for efpeglenatide 4 mg versus placebo	p<0.0001
	3. Change from baseline to week 30 in HbA _{1c} (%) for efpeglenatide 2 mg versus placebo	p=0.0054
Secondary	1. HbA _{1c} <7% (53 mmol/mol) at week 30 for efpeglenatide 6 mg versus placebo (yes/no)	p<0.0001
	2. HbA _{1c} <7% (53 mmol/mol) at week 30 for efpeglenatide 4 mg versus placebo (yes/no)	p<0.0001
	3. Change from baseline to week 30 in body weight (kg) for efpeglenatide 6 mg versus placebo	p=0.0014
	4. Change from baseline to week 30 in body weight (kg) for efpeglenatide 4 mg versus placebo	p=0.0048
	5. HbA _{1c} <7% (53 mmol/mol) at week 30 for efpeglenatide 2 mg versus placebo (yes/no)	p<0.0001
	6. Change from baseline to week 30 in FPG (mmol/L, mg/dL) for efpeglenatide 6 mg versus placebo	p<0.0001
	7. Change from baseline to week 30 in FPG (mmol/L, mg/dL) for efpeglenatide 4 mg versus placebo	p=0.0003
	8. Change from baseline to week 56 in body weight (kg) for efpeglenatide 6 mg versus placebo*	

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	9. Change from baseline to week 56 in HbA _{1c} (%) for efpeglenatide 6 mg versus placebo	
	10. Change from baseline to week 56 in body weight (kg) for efpeglenatide 4 mg versus placebo	
	11. Change from baseline to week 56 in HbA _{1c} (%) for efpeglenatide 4 mg versus placebo	
	12. Change from baseline to week 56 in HbA _{1c} (%) for efpeglenatide 2 mg versus placebo	
	13. Change from baseline to week 56 in body weight (kg) for efpeglenatide 2 mg versus placebo	

*End of hierarchical testing procedure; all other p-values are exploratory only

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Supplementary Table 5. Changes over time in a) absolute HbA_{1c}, b) FPG and c) body weight

A)

Absolute HbA_{1c} % (mmol/mol), mean ± SE	Baseline	Week 12	Week 30	Week 43	Week 56	Follow-up
Efpeglenatide 2 mg (n=100)	8.1 ± 0.9 (65 ± 9)	6.8 ± 0.8 (51 ± 9)	6.9 ± 1.0 (52 ± 11)	6.9 ± 0.9 (52 ± 9)	6.9 ± 0.9 (52 ± 9)	6.8 ± 0.8 (51 ± 9)
Efpeglenatide 4 mg (n=101)	8.1 ± 0.9 (65 ± 10)	6.6 ± 0.6 (49 ± 7)	6.6 ± 0.8 (49 ± 9)	6.6 ± 0.7 (49 ± 8)	6.6 ± 0.7 (49 ± 8)	6.6 ± 0.7 (48 ± 8)
Efpeglenatide 6 mg (n=103)	8.1 ± 1.0 (65 ± 10)	6.5 ± 0.6 (47 ± 7)	6.4 ± 0.7 (47 ± 7)	6.6 ± 0.9 (48 ± 10)	6.6 ± 1.0 (48 ± 11)	6.4 ± 0.7 (47 ± 8)
Placebo (n=102)	8.0 ± 0.9 (64 ± 10)	7.9 ± 1.1 (63 ± 12)	7.5 ± 1.0 (59 ± 11)	7.6 ± 1.1 (59 ± 12)	7.4 ± 0.9 (57 ± 10)	7.5 ± 1.0 (59 ± 11)

B)

FPG, mg/dL (mmol/L), mean ± SD	Baseline	Week 30	Week 56
Efpeglenatide 2 mg (n=100)	179.0 ± 47.5 (9.9 ± 2.6)	135.5 ± 47.0 (7.5 ± 2.6)	134.6 ± 31.3 (7.5 ± 1.7)
Efpeglenatide 4 mg (n=101)	174.5 ± 49.5 (9.7 ± 2.8)	123.3 ± 28.4 (6.8 ± 1.6)	126.9 ± 25.6 (7.0 ± 1.4)
Efpeglenatide 6 mg (n=103)	176.8 ± 48.6 (9.8 ± 2.7)	118.0 ± 23.4 (6.6 ± 1.3)	126.5 ± 36.6 (7.0 ± 2.0)
Placebo (n=102)	173.0 ± 56.7 (9.6 ± 3.2)	154.7 ± 38.4 (8.6 ± 2.1)	148.0 ± 31.5 (8.2 ± 1.8)

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C)

Body weight, kg, mean \pm SD	Baseline	Week 30	Week 56
Efpeglenatide 2 mg (n=100)	98.0 \pm 21.6	98.1 \pm 21.4	97.7 \pm 22.3
Efpeglenatide 4 mg (n=101)	95.2 \pm 22.7	91.9 \pm 22.9	90.4 \pm 20.2
Efpeglenatide 6 mg (n=103)	96.4 \pm 20.9	92.8 \pm 20.8	92.7 \pm 20.3
Placebo (n=102)	97.9 \pm 22.7	95.5 \pm 21.8	94.9 \pm 22.0

FPG, fasting plasma glucose; SD, standard deviation; SE, standard error

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Supplementary Table 6. Clinical narratives for patients excluded from body weight analyses

Patient number	#840002601024	#826000701014
Treatment group	Efpeglenatide 6 mg	Efpeglenatide 4 mg
Age (years)	50	45
Sex	Female	Female
Race/ethnicity	White/Hispanic or Latino	White/not Hispanic or Latino
Country	United States	United Kingdom
Duration of diabetes (years)	15.2	0.6
Baseline HbA _{1c} (%)	7.9	7.3
Baseline FPG (mmol/L)	9.5	7.3
Baseline eGFR	376	120.5
Baseline BMI (kg/m ²)	33.5	48.1
Baseline weight (kg)	90	126
Weight at week 30 (kg)	93.1	102.9
Weight at week 56 (kg)	112	84.3
Change in body weight (kg)	+22	−40
Change due to study drug?	No (assessed by authors)	No (assessed by authors)
Explanation for body weight change	Patient has history of hypo-/hyperthyroidism and initiated medication for this condition (methimazole) one month after study enrolment. The observed weight gain is considered likely to be caused by iatrogenic hypothyroidism, as a side effect of methimazole treatment.	Patient discontinued study drug at week 6 due to a GI adverse event, weight at week 8 was 124.6 kg (i.e. similar to baseline). Patient experienced weight loss of −21.7 kg between weeks 8 and 30, and a further weight loss of −18.6 kg between weeks 30 and 56. Since study drug was discontinued at week 8, it was considered unlikely to be responsible for this change.

A figure showing the impact of excluding these patients from body weight analyses is shown in **Supplementary Figure 4**.