

Supplementary Table S1: study inclusion and exclusion criteria

	DIASTOLIC	LYDIA	SEESAW
<i>Inclusion criteria</i>	<p>Capacity to provide informed consent before any trial-related activities.</p> <p>Age ≥ 18 and ≤ 65 years</p> <p>Diagnosis of type 2 diabetes (T2D) before the age of 60 years of age.</p> <p>Established T2D (≥ 3 months).</p> <p>Body mass index (BMI) $> 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$ (27 kg/m^2 if South Asian or other black and minority ethnic (BME) populations).</p> <p>HbA1c $\leq 9\%$ if on triple therapy or $\leq 10\%$ on diet and exercise or monotherapy or dual therapy.</p> <p>Current glucose-lowering therapy either mono, dual or triple of any combination of metformin, sulphonylurea, DPP-IV inhibitor, GLP-1 therapy or an SGLT2i \pm diet and exercise.</p> <p>Poorly managed diet controlled diabetes (with HbA1c $> 6.5\%$, not currently taking any glucose-lowering therapy, meeting BMI inclusion range).</p> <p>Able to understand English</p>	<p>Capacity to provide informed consent before any trial-related activities</p> <p>Individuals aged 18 - 60 years inclusive Established T2DM</p> <p>BMI $\geq 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$ ($\geq 27 \text{ kg/m}^2$ for South Asians or other BME populations)</p> <p>An HbA1c value of greater than or equal to 6.5% and less than 10%</p> <p>On mono or combination oral therapy (sulphonylurea and/or metformin) for ≥ 3 months</p> <p>Able to understand English</p>	<p>Capacity to provide informed consent before any trial-related activities.</p> <p>Male and postmenopausal female participants aged between 30-75 years of age inclusive</p> <p>Type 2 diabetes on diet and lifestyle control or stable dose of metformin only for at least 3 months</p> <p>Stable weight (less than 5% change in body weight in last 3 months)</p> <p>HbA1c 48-86mmol/mol (6.0 - 10%)</p> <p>Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) $\geq 60 \text{ ml/min/1.73m}^2$</p> <p>BMI $\geq 25 \text{ kg/m}^2$</p> <p>Able and willing to give informed consent</p> <p>Able to understand English</p>

<i>Exclusion criteria</i>	<p>Diabetes duration >12 years.</p> <p>Currently taking more than three glucose-lowering therapies.</p> <p>Weight loss of >5 kg in the preceding 6 months.</p> <p>eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73 m².</p> <p>Current therapy with insulin, thiazolidinediones, steroids or atypical antipsychotic medication.</p> <p>Untreated thyroid disease.</p> <p>Known macrovascular disease including coronary artery disease, stroke/ transient ischaemic attack (TIA) or peripheral vascular disease.</p> <p>Presence of arrhythmia (including atrial fibrillation, atrial flutter or second or third degree atrioventricular block).</p> <p>Known heart failure or other clinically relevant heart disease.</p> <p>Inability to exercise or undertake a MRP.</p> <p>Absolute contraindication to cardiac magnetic resonance imaging (CMRI).</p>	<p>Type 1 diabetes (identified through C-peptide analysis)</p> <p>Women who are pregnant, breast-feeding or intend to become pregnant or are not using adequate contraceptive methods</p> <p>Suffer from terminal illness</p> <p>eGFR < 30 ml/min/1.73m²</p> <p>Impaired liver function (Alanine aminotransferase (ALT) ≥2.5 times upper limit of normal)</p> <p>Known to be Hepatitis B antigen or Hepatitis C antibody positive</p> <p>Clinically significant active cardiovascular disease including history of myocardial infarction within the past 6 months and/or heart failure (New York Heart Association (NYHA) class III and IV) at the discretion of the investigator</p> <p>Recurrent major hypoglycaemia as judged by the investigator</p> <p>Known or suspected allergy to the trial products</p>	<p>Patients with Type 1 diabetes</p> <p>Patients on loop diuretics</p> <p>eGFR <60ml/min/1.73m²</p> <p>HbA1c >86mmol/mol (10%) or recent hospital admission with diabetic emergency in last 3 months</p> <p>Patients with familial renal glycosuria</p> <p>Patients with recurrent balanitis, vaginal or urinary tract infections</p> <p>Shift workers</p> <p>Patients who have participated in another study of an investigational medicinal product in the last 3 months</p> <p>Active malignancy</p> <p>Serious illness with a life-expectancy of less than 1 year</p> <p>Hypersensitivity to Empagliflozin (Jardiance™) or to any of the excipients</p> <p>Patients with latent autoimmune diabetes in adults (LADA)</p>

	<p>Cardiovascular symptoms (angina and limiting dyspnoea during normal physical activity).</p> <p>Inflammatory condition, for example, connective tissue disorder and rheumatoid arthritis.</p>	<p>Known or suspected thyroid disease</p> <p>Receipt of any investigational drug within four weeks prior to this trial</p> <p>Have severe and enduring mental health problems</p> <p>Are not primarily responsible for their own care</p> <p>Receiving insulin therapy</p> <p>Have taken a thiazolidinedione (TZD) within the last 3 months</p> <p>Absolute contraindications to MRI</p> <p>Any contraindication to Sitagliptin or Liraglutide</p> <p>Have severe irritable bowel disorder</p> <p>Have pancreatitis or a previous history of pancreatitis</p>	<p>Patients with a history of chronic pancreatitis</p> <p>Evidence of conditions that lead to restricted food intake or severe dehydration</p> <p>Patients with a history of excessive alcohol consumption</p> <p>Patients on a severely calorie restricted diet (i.e., ≤800 calories per day)</p>
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Supplementary Table S2: Study characteristics stratified by study

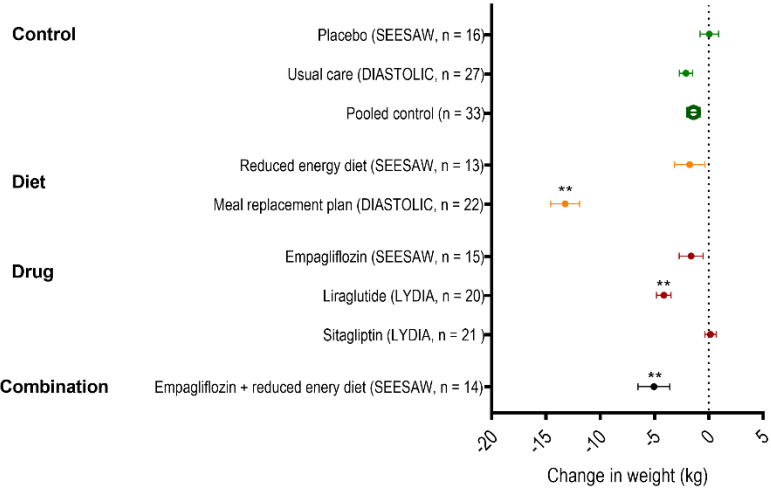
Characteristic	DIASTOLIC (control and meal replacement plan groups, n = 49)	LYDIA (liraglutide and sitagliptin groups, n = 41)	SEESAW (placebo, diet, empaglifozin, empaglifozin plus diet groups, n = 58)
Age (years)	51 (47, 55)	47 (39, 49)	65 (58, 69)
Sex			
Women (%)	20 (41)	20 (49)	21 (36)
Men (%)	29 (59)	21 (51)	36 (64)
Ethnicity			
White (%)	32 (65)	26 (66)	43 (74)
South Asian (%)	12 (25)	15 (34)	9 (16)
Other (%)	5 (10)	0 (0)	6 (10)
Medications			
Metformin (%)	46 (94)	40 (98)	47 (81)
Sulphonylureas (%)	6 (12)	10 (25)	0 (0)
Other (%)	6 (12)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Diabetes duration (years)	4.5 (2.3, 5.6)	3.0 (1.0, 6.5)	7.0 (4.0, 10.0)
BMI (kg/m ²)	35.0 (33.0, 38.1)	33.8 (31.3, 40.0)	31.4 (28.9, 35.3)
HbA1c (mmol/m)	54 (48, 63)	56 (51, 64)	51 (48, 54)
HbA1c (%)	7.1 (6.5, 7.9)	7.3 (6.8, 8.0)	6.8 (6.5, 7.1)
Ambulatory activity (steps/day)	6132 (4588, 7986)	7794 (5738, 9038)	5101 (4005, 7720)
Moderate to vigorous physical activity (mins/day)	23.3 (13.9, 35.6)	24.4 (16.2, 44.4)	17.9 (9.7, 31.3)
Sedentary behaviour (mins/day)	584.0 (852, 945)	536.4 (468.9, 584.0)	576.7 (520.9, 645)
Accelerometer wear time (mins/day)	891.4 (851.7, 944.6)	869.4 (824.5, 921.3)	876.9 (845.6, 907.1)

Data as median (IQR) or number (%)

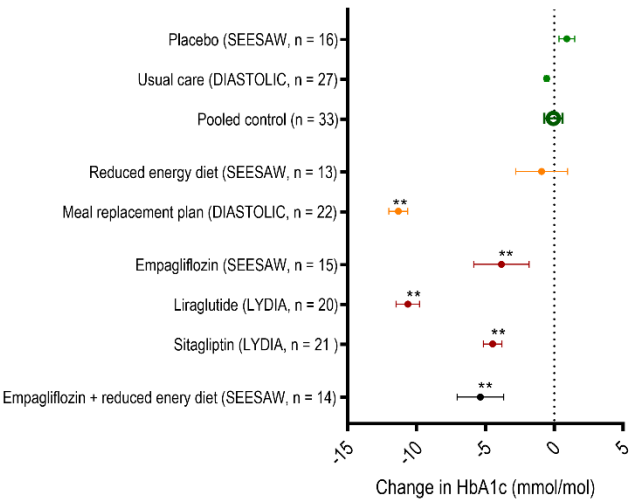
Supplementary Table S3: Study characteristics stratified by inclusion status

Characteristic	Included (= 148)	Excluded (n = 50)
Age (years)	52 (47, 62)	47 (42, 55)
Sex		
Women (%)	61 (41)	25 (50)
Men (%)	87 (59)	25 (50)
Ethnicity		
White (%)	101 (68)	26 (52)
South Asian (%)	36 (24)	23 (46)
Other (%)	11 (7)	1 (2)
Medications		
Metformin (%)	133 (90)	49 (98)
Sulphonylureas (%)	16 (11)	13 (26)
Other (%)	6 (4)	3 (6)
Diabetes duration (years)	4.7 (2.6, 7.7)	4.0 (2.0, 6.8)
BMI (kg/m ²)	34.0 (31.0, 37.3)	33.1 (31.6, 39.2)
HbA1c (mmol/mol)	53 (48, 59)	56 (51, 64)
HbA1c (%)	7.0 (6.5, 7.5)	7.3 (6.8, 8.0)

Supplementary Figure S1: Change from baseline in weight and HbA1c by control, diet, drug and combination interventions. Data as mean (95% CI)



Adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, diabetes duration, baseline weight.
* = P<0.05 vs. control, ** = P<0.01 vs. control



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Supplementary Figure S2: Distribution of change values for total physical activity in each analysed group

