

As an adjunct to diet, exercise and standard-of-care therapy in adults with T2D and diabetic nephropathy with albuminuria (>33.9 mg/mmol)

# ONLY INVOKANA<sup>®</sup> IS INDICATED TO:

Help reduce the risk of end-stage kidney disease, doubling of serum creatinine, and CV death.



INVOKANA<sup>®</sup> (canagliflozin) is indicated as an adjunct to diet, exercise and standard-of-care therapy to reduce the risk of end-stage kidney disease, doubling of serum creatinine, and CV death in adult patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus and diabetic nephropathy with albuminuria (>33.9 mg/mmol).

T2D=type 2 diabetes; CV=cardiovascular.

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### **Indications not previously discussed:**

INVOKANA® is also indicated for monotherapy as an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve glycemic control in adult patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus for whom metformin is inappropriate due to contraindications or intolerance.

INVOKANA® is also indicated for use in adult patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus to improve glycemic control in combination with:

- metformin
- sulfonylurea (with or without metformin)
- pioglitazone with metformin
- metformin and sitagliptin
- insulin (with or without metformin)

when the therapy listed above, along with diet and exercise, does not provide adequate glycemic control.

INVOKANA® is also indicated as an adjunct to diet, exercise and standard-of-care therapy to reduce the risk of major adverse cardiovascular events (CV death, nonfatal MI and nonfatal stroke) in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus and established cardiovascular disease (CVD).

### **Clinical use:**

Patients 65 years and older had a higher incidence of adverse reactions related to reduced intravascular volume, including hypotension, postural dizziness, orthostatic hypotension, syncope and dehydration. Reactions were more common in patients over 75 years of age and with 300 mg daily. Smaller reductions in HbA1C with INVOKANA® relative to placebo were seen in patients 65 years and older, compared to younger patients.

### **Contraindications:**

Patients on dialysis.

### **Most serious warnings and precautions:**

**Diabetic Ketoacidosis (DKA):** Clinical trial and post-market cases of DKA, a serious life-threatening condition requiring urgent hospitalization, have been reported in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus treated with INVOKANA® or other sodium-glucose co-transporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitors. Fatal cases of DKA have been reported in patients taking INVOKANA®. A number of these cases have been atypical with blood glucose values below 13.9 mmol/L (250 mg/dL). The risk of DKA must be considered in the event of non-specific symptoms such as difficulty breathing, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, confusion, anorexia, excessive thirst and unusual fatigue or sleepiness. If these symptoms occur, regardless of blood glucose level, INVOKANA® treatment should be **immediately discontinued and patients should be assessed for DKA immediately**. INVOKANA® should not be used for the treatment of DKA or in patients with a history of DKA. Nephropathy may increase the risk of DKA during treatment with INVOKANA®. INVOKANA® is not indicated, and should not be used, in patients with type 1 diabetes.

**Lower Limb Amputation:** An approximately 2-fold increased risk of lower limb amputations associated with INVOKANA® use was observed in CANVAS and CANVAS-R, two large, randomized, placebo-controlled trials in patients with type 2 diabetes who had established CVD or were at risk for CVD. Amputations of the toe and midfoot were most frequent; however, amputations involving the leg were also observed. Some patients had multiple amputations, some involving both limbs. Before initiating INVOKANA®, consider factors that may increase the risk of amputation, such as a history of prior amputation, peripheral vascular disease, neuropathy and diabetic foot ulcers. Monitor patients receiving INVOKANA® for infection, new pain or tenderness, sores or ulcers involving the lower limbs, and discontinue INVOKANA® if these complications occur.

### **Other relevant warnings and precautions:**

- Risk of DKA, particularly in patients on a very low carbohydrate diet and patients with: conditions that lead to restricted food

intake or severe dehydration; increased insulin requirement due to an acute medical illness, surgery, or alcohol abuse; low beta-cell function reserve (e.g., type 2 diabetes patients with low C-peptide or latent autoimmune diabetes in adults); pancreatic disorders suggesting insulin deficiency (e.g., type 1 diabetes, history of pancreatitis or pancreatic surgery); insulin dose reduction (including insulin pump failure); history of ketoacidosis. Temporarily discontinue treatment in patients who are hospitalized for major surgical procedures, or will undergo scheduled surgery, and patients who are hospitalized for serious infections or acute serious medical illnesses.

Monitor patients for DKA even if treatment was interrupted or discontinued; ensure risk factors are resolved prior to restarting INVOKANA®. Educate patients on signs and symptoms of DKA and instruct them to discontinue INVOKANA® and seek immediate medical attention if they occur.

- Risk of reduced intravascular volume may lead to postural dizziness, orthostatic hypotension, hypotension, or renal failure, particularly in patients on loop diuretics or medications that interfere with the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system (e.g., angiotensin-converting-enzyme inhibitors [ACEis], angiotensin receptor blockers [ARBs]), patients with low systolic blood pressure, patients with moderate renal impairment, and patients >75 years of age. Not recommended for use in patients who are volume-depleted. Volume status should be assessed prior to treatment initiation and carefully monitored throughout therapy in those at risk.
- Risk of hypoglycemia in add-on therapy with other antihyperglycemic agents.
- Monitor for increases in LDL-C.
- Risk of genital mycotic infections and urinary tract infections.
- Risk of Fournier's gangrene (necrotizing fasciitis of the perineum), a rare but serious and potentially life-threatening infection requiring urgent treatment.
- Use with caution in patients with elevated hemoglobin/hematocrit.
- Risk of serious hypersensitivity reactions, including angioedema and anaphylaxis.
- Risk of bone fracture.
- Risk of increased serum creatinine, decreased eGFR (in a dose-dependent fashion), and renal function abnormalities and acute kidney injury including acute renal failure and decline in eGFR.
- Renal function should be assessed prior to initiation and regularly thereafter, with more frequent and intensive monitoring for glycemic and renal biomarkers and signs and symptoms of renal dysfunction in patients whose eGFR is <60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, especially if eGFR is <45 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>. The glucose-lowering benefit of INVOKANA® decreases with declining renal function and has not been demonstrated for patients with eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>.
- Do not use in pregnant and breastfeeding women.
- INVOKANA® may increase digoxin AUC and C<sub>max</sub>; patients taking concomitant digoxin should therefore be monitored appropriately.
- Not recommended in patients with severe hepatic impairment.
- Monitor blood glucose and A1C.

### **For more information:**

Please consult the Product Monograph available at [www.janssen.com/canada/products](http://www.janssen.com/canada/products) for important information relating to adverse reactions, drug interactions, and dosage and administration that has not been discussed in this piece.

The Product Monograph is also available by calling us at 1-800-567-3331.

## INVOKANA® DOSING RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON eGFR AT INITIATION OF THERAPY

eGFR $\geq 60$ mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	100 mg once daily. Dose can be increased to 300 mg once daily for additional glycemic control.
eGFR 30 to $<60$ mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	100 mg once daily.
On dialysis	Contraindicated.

Adapted from the INVOKANA® Product Monograph

In patients already initiated on therapy who have an eGFR  $<30$  mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> with albuminuria  $>33.9$  mg/mmol, therapy can be continued at 100 mg once daily.

- >> INVOKANA® 100 mg should not be initiated in patients with an eGFR  $<30$  mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>.
- >> INVOKANA® 100 mg should be discontinued if dialysis is initiated.

See INVOKANA® Product Monograph for complete dosing and administration instructions.

eGFR=estimated glomerular filtration rate.

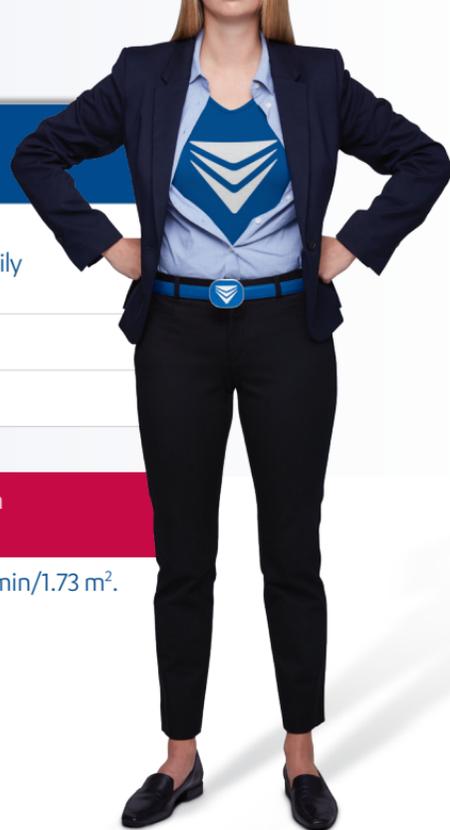
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