Dosing, treatment patterns, UACR changes, and safety with finerenone treatment in routine care: FINE-REAL interim analysis

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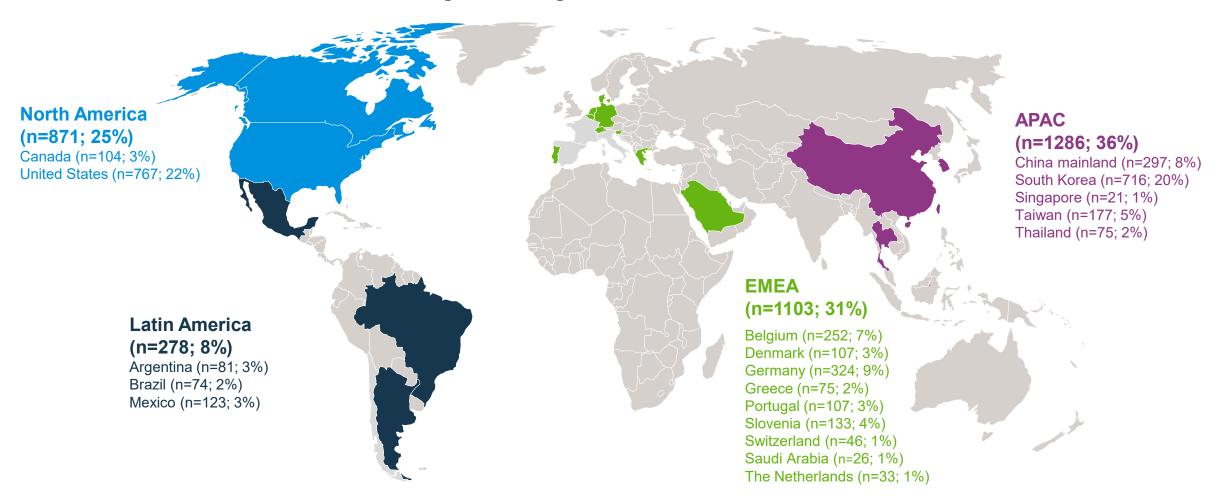
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Background/Methods

- The non-steroidal mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist finerenone is approved for the treatment of CKD associated with T2D^{1,2}
- FINE-REAL (NCT05348733) is the first global, prospective, observational study on the use of finerenone (10 or 20 mg) in participants (aged ≥18 years) with CKD and T2D in routine clinical practice³
- This pre-planned interim analysis describes data collected from June 13, 2022, to June 13, 2025 (data cutoff)
- Assessments included demographics, dosing strategies/treatment patterns, concomitant medications, UACR changes, laboratory parameters, and TEAEs with a focus on hyperkalemia

^{1.} Bayer Inc. Kerendia US PI 2025: Available at https://labeling.bayerhealthcare.com/html/products/pi/Kerendia_PI.pdf. 2. Bayer Inc. Kerendia EU SmPC 2022: Available at https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/documents/product-information/kerendia-epar-product-information_en.pdf. 3. Desai NR, et al. J Diabetes Complications 2023;37:108411. CKD, chronic kidney disease; T2D, type 2 diabetes; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; UACR, urine albumin:creatinine ratio.

FINE-REAL included participants from 19 countries



APAC, Asia Pacific; EMEA, Europe, Middle East, and Africa.

Baseline demographics and disease characteristics

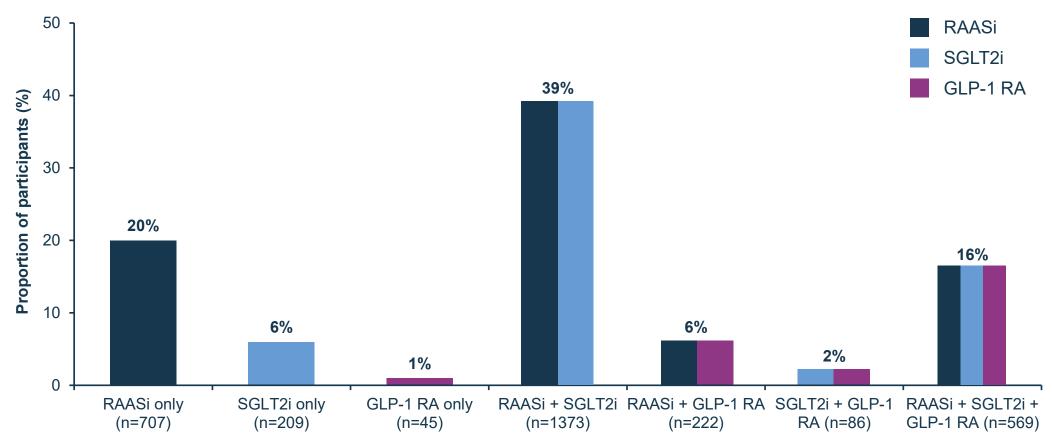
	N=3538
Age, mean (SD)	67.4 (11.1)
Sex, n (%)	
Male	2363 (67)
Female	1175 (33)
BMI, median (IQR), kg/m² (n=2725)	28.7 (25.2, 33.1)
UACR, median (IQR), mg/g (n=2680)	334.4 (105.7, 910.7)
eGFR, ^a mean (SD), mL/min/1.73 m ² (n=3440)	52.7 (22.1)
Serum potassium, median (IQR), mmol/L (n=3331)	4.5 (4.1, 4.7)

Median follow-up was 268 days

^aCalculated using The Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology Collaboration 2009 formula (CKD-EPI) without adjustment for race.

BMI, body mass index; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; IQR, interquartile range; SD, standard deviation; UACR, urine albumin:creatinine ratio.

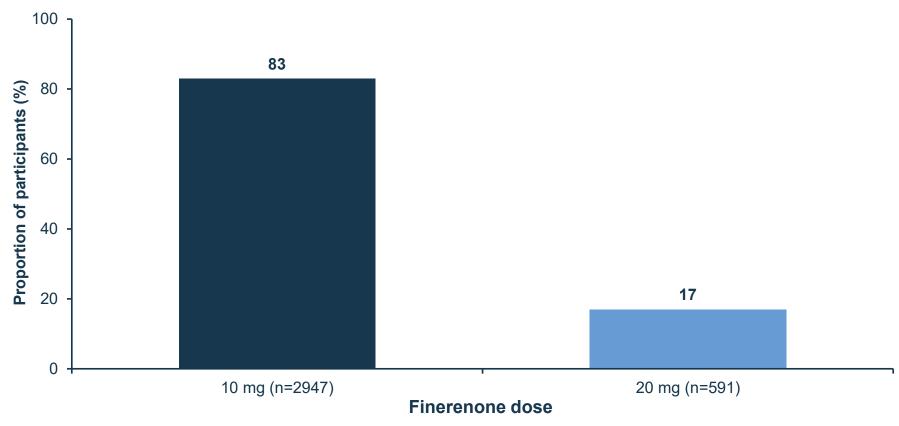
RAAS inhibitors and SGLT2 inhibitors were the most common concomitant medications



RAASi, SGLT2i, and GLP-1 RA were received by 2949 (83%), 2352 (66%), and 1036 (29%) participants, respectively

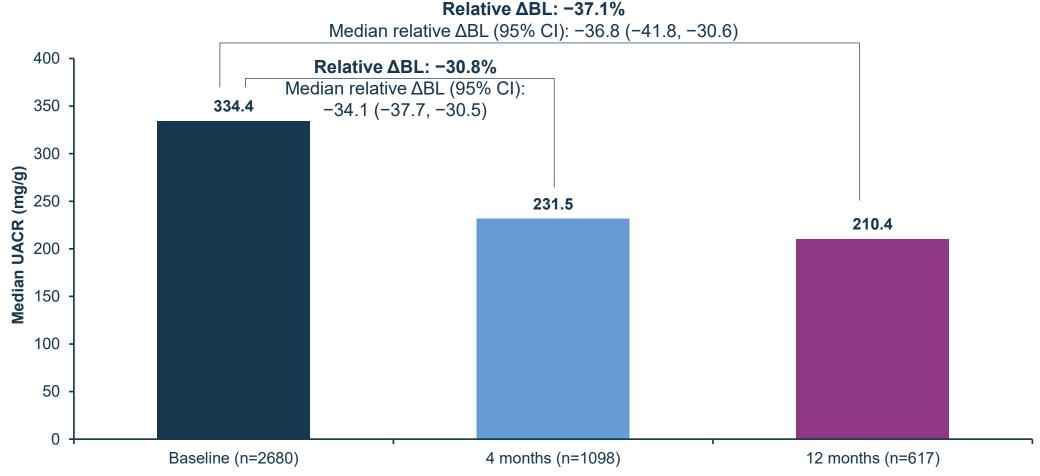
GLP-1 RA, glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist; RAASi, renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system inhibitor; SGLT2i, sodium-glucose cotransporter-2 inhibitor.

Finerenone 10 mg was most commonly used at initiation



- Of 991 participants with eGFR ≥60 mL/min/m² who were eligible for 20 mg per label, 566 (57%) were initiated on 10 mg
- At 12 months, 617 (55%) and 498 (44%) participants were on 10 mg and 20 mg, respectively

Median UACR declined over time with finerenone use



- A >30% reduction in UACR was observed between BL and 4 months with an additional, smaller reduction between 4 and 12 months
- At 4 months and 12 months, respectively, 54% (n=590/1098) and 55% (n=340/617) participants had ≥30% UACR reduction from BL Data shown are for participants with UACR values at BL and at 4/12 months.

 ΔBL, change from baseline; CI, confidence interval; UACR, urine albumin:creatinine ratio.

Treatment-emergent adverse events and serious treatment-emergent adverse events

	n (%) N=3538
Any TEAE	1388 (39.2)
TEAE (>1.0%), n (%)	
Hyperkalemia ^a	300 (8.5)
Urinary tract infection	143 (4.0)
Urinary tract hemorrhage ^b	84 (2.4)
Renal failure	52 (1.5)
Diarrhea	45 (1.3)
Dizziness	37 (1.1)

	n (%) N=3538
Any serious TEAE, n (%)	408 (11.5)
Serious TEAE (>0.5%), n (%)	
Acute kidney injury	26 (0.7)
Hyperkalemia ^a	23 (0.7)

TEAEs were any adverse events that happened during finerenone therapy regardless of any potential relationship to treatment.

alncluding hyperkalemia and blood potassium increased; reported at the discretion of the investigator. blncluding hematuria (n=79; 2.2%).

TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

Conclusions

- By UACR and eGFR, participants in FINE-REAL had less advanced CKD versus FIDELIO-DKD¹
- Use of concomitant RAASi, SGLT2i, or GLP-1 RA was higher in FINE-REAL than in typical real-world practice²⁻⁴
- Most participants (83%) were initiated on finerenone 10 mg
- 57% (n=566) of participants with eGFR ≥60 mL/min/m² initiated on finerenone 10 mg rather than the recommended 20 mg
- Despite concomitant RAASi, SGLT2i, or GLP-1 RA in many participants, UACR declined from BL by 31% and 37% at 4 months and 12 months, respectively, exceeding ADA recommendations⁵ despite finerenone being initiated at lower doses than indicated in many cases
- At 4 months and 12 months, respectively, 54% (n=590/1098) and 55% (n=340/617) of participants had ≥30% UACR reduction from BL
- Safety was consistent with the known safety profile of finerenone^{6,7}

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Back-up slides

Race and ethnicity

	n (%); N=3538
Race	
White	1560 (44)
Black/African American	196 (6)
Asian	1411 (40)
American Indian/Alaska Native	20 (1)
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	6 (<1)
Not reported	344 (10)
Missing	1 (<1)
Ethnicity	
Not Hispanic or Latino	2715 (77)
Hispanic or Latino	415 (12)
Not reported	407 (12)
Missing	1 (<1)

Percentages may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

UACR declined over time with finerenone use

N=3538	BL	4 months	12 months
Total participants at each timepoint (N)	3538	2738	1717
n (%) with UACR data at BL and 4/12 months	2680 (76)	1098 (40)	617 (36)
Median (IQR), mg/g	334.4 (105.7, 910.7)	231.5 (67.5, 687.0)	210.4 (55.0, 637.0)
<30 mg/g, n (%)	200 (7)	155 (14)	94 (15)
30 to <300 mg/g, n (%)	1035 (39)	465 (42)	265 (43)
≥300 mg/g, n (%)	1445 (54)	478 (44)	258 (42)

- UACR should be monitored regularly as the ADA recommends a reduction of >30% from BL or to <300 mg/g¹
- At BL, 24% of participants did not have a UACR value
- At 4 months and 12 months, respectively, 60% and 64% of participants did not have a UACR value at BL and follow-up

^{1.} ADA Professional Practice Committee. Diabetes Care 2025;48:S239–51. ADA, American Diabetes Association; BL, baseline; IQR, interquartile range; UACR, urine albumin:creatinine ratio.

Course of UACR in participants with UACR data available at BL and 4 months or BL and 12 months: Sensitivity analysis

N=3538	BL	4 months	BL	12 months
n (%)	1098	1098	617	617
Median (IQR), mg/g	382.10 (123.00, 1012.00)	231.50 (67.48, 687.00)	346.02 (114.00, 859.00)	210.43 (55.00, 637.00)
Relative change from BL in median UACR, %		-39.41		-39.18
Median relative change from BL (95% CI)		-34.07 (-37.65, -30.52)		-36.84 (-41.84, -30.59)
<30 mg/g, n (%)	65 (6)	155 (14)	41 (7)	94 (15)
30 to <300 mg/g, n (%)	411 (37)	465 (42)	240 (39)	265 (43)
≥300 mg/g, n (%)	622 (57)	478 (44)	336 (54)	258 (42)

n (%) refers to the number of participants with UACR data available at BL and 4 months or BL and 12 months. Relative change from BL in median UACR represents the percentage change in median UACR when comparing median UACR at BL and median UACR at Month 4/12 (estimated from aggregated data). Median relative change from BL represents the median percentage change in UACR from BL across all participants with UACR recorded at BL and Month 4/12 (estimated from individual participant data).

BL, baseline; IQR, interquartile range; UACR, urine albumin:creatinine ratio.

Hyperkalemia events were serious in <1% of participants and none led to dialysis or death

	n (%) N=3538
Any hyperkalemia ^a event	300 (8)
Study drug-related	246 (7)
Leading to permanent discontinuation	35 (1)
Serious hyperkalemia ^a events	23 (1)
Study drug-related	21 (1)
Leading to permanent discontinuation	5 (<1)
Leading to hospitalization	9 (<1)

^aIncluding hyperkalemia and blood potassium increased; reported at the discretion of the investigator.