

**Supplementary Table 1. Medication prescription rates of patients visiting the diabetes clinic**

Medication	Total (n = 30,160)	Non-referral group (n = 26,275)	Referral group (n = 3,885)	p-value
Metformin	62.71	63.77	55.52	<0.001
Dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitor	28.84	29.92	21.57	<0.001
Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist	0.85	0.91	0.46	0.006
Sodium-glucose cotransporter-2 inhibitor	4.21	4.66	1.21	<0.001
Secretagogues	41.05	40.27	46.33	<0.001
$\alpha$ -Glucosidase	4.19	3.73	7.34	<0.001
Thiazolidinedione	5.40	5.10	7.46	<0.001
Insulin	27.71	26.70	34.57	<0.001
Calcium channel blocker	20.26	19.06	28.37	<0.001
ACEi or ARB	31.69	29.45	46.87	<0.001
$\beta$ -Blocker	12.14	11.31	17.68	<0.001
Vasodilator	4.69	4.46	6.25	<0.001
Diuretics	14.37	13.11	22.88	<0.001
Acetaminophen or tramadol	17.12	17.17	16.76	0.54
Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug	15.48	15.48	15.50	>0.999
Febuxostat	0.27	0.26	0.33	0.52
Allopurinol	0.64	0.55	1.29	<0.001
Statin	41.23	41.27	40.98	0.74
Ezetimibe	6.98	7.24	5.25	<0.001
Fibrate	2.52	2.48	2.81	0.25
Antiplatelet	32.86	31.16	44.43	<0.001
Warfarin	2.27	2.03	3.89	<0.001
Direct oral anticoagulants	1.26	1.32	0.85	0.02
Calcium-based phosphate binder	0.84	0.82	1.00	0.28
Non-calcium-based phosphate binder	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.24

Data are expressed as percentage only.

ACEi, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; ARB, angiotensin receptor blocker.