Gazing into the future – what will the next 100 years of diabetes innovation look like? A perspective from industry

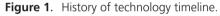
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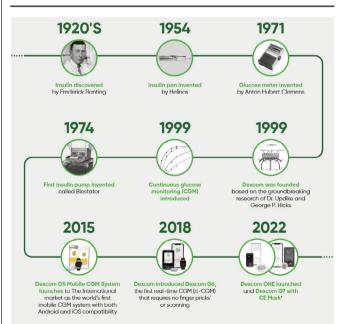
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Great leaps of understanding and improvement have been made in the past 100 years (Figure 1), but according to the 2019-2020 national diabetes audit, fewer than 15% of people with diabetes are able to achieve target glucose levels.¹

Fortunately, a new standard of care emerged with real-time





If your glucose alerts and reading from the CGM system do not match symptoms or expectations, please use a blood glucose monitor to make diabetes treatment decisions

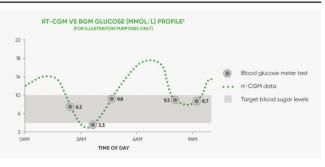
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Figure 2. Real-time CGM versus BGM reading profile.²



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Figure 3. The Dexcom portfolio of real-time CGM systems



continuous glucose monitoring (rt-CGM) from Dexcom (Figure 2). Dexcom rt-CGM works continuously to measure glucose levels without intervention and helps to minimise guesswork derived from making diabetes treatment decisions based on a blood glucose meter (BGM) reading alone - with no fingerpricks or scanning.

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Dexcom is increasing access to rt-CGM for people with diabetes with a range of products (Figure 3).

Ultimately, the aim is to offer continuity and reliability for

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people with diabetes while delivering clinical and quality-of-life outcomes with lower HbA_{1c}, decreased episodes of hypogly-caemia,⁶ and more efficient clinic visits. The future is looking very exciting for diabetes care. Where will the next 100 years take us?

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Key messages

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