

Supplementary Table S1. Hazard Ratios for developing hypertension in diabetic and non-diabetic individuals from increasing BMI categories - calculated against the baseline characteristics of non-diabetic individuals from normal weight category.

BMI category considered for deriving Hazard Ratio	Hazard Ratio (adjusted for age and sex) for developing hypertension in	
	Diabetic individuals	Non-diabetic individuals
Overweight	1.35 (CI: 1.25 to 1.46) p < 0.001	1.02 [@] (CI: 0.89 to 1.18) p = 0.74
Class I obese category	1.69 (CI: 1.57 to 1.82) p < 0.001	1.26 (CI: 1.10 to 1.45) p < 0.001
Class II obese category	2.06 (CI: 1.90 to 2.23) p < 0.001	1.43 (CI: 1.23 to 1.65) p < 0.001
Class III obese category	2.61 (CI: 2.39 to 2.84) p < 0.001	1.56 (CI: 1.34 to 1.82) p < 0.001

[@], these values are at insignificant p-value of >0.05.

Supplementary Table S2. Illustration of sex differences in hazard ratios for developing hypertension in diabetic and non-diabetic individuals against the baseline characteristics of non-diabetic individuals from normal weight category.

BMI category considered for deriving Hazard Ratio	Hazard Ratio* for developing hypertension in			
	Diabetic individuals		Non-diabetic individuals	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
Overweight	1.20 (CI: 1.04 to 1.40) p= 0.01	1.19 (CI: 1.06 to 1.33) p < 0.01	1.07 [@] (CI: 0.81 to 1.42) p = 0.62	1.15 [@] (CI: 0.95 to 1.40) p =0.16
Class I	1.50 (CI: 1.29 to 1.75) p < 0.001	1.33 (CI: 1.19 to 1.48) p < 0.001	1.44 (CI: 1.10 to 1.90) p<0.01	1.21 (CI: 1.00 to 1.46) p =0.05
Class II	1.77 (CI: 1.51 to 2.09) p < 0.001	1.56 (CI: 1.39 to 1.74) p < 0.001	1.75 (CI: 1.30 to 2.36) p < 0.001	1.36 (CI: 1.12 to 1.67) p <0.01
Class III	2.48 (CI: 2.08 to 2.95) p < 0.001	1.87 (CI: 1.67 to 2.09) p < 0.001	2.00 (CI: 1.46 to 2.75) p < 0.001	1.89 (CI: 1.55 to 2.31) p <0.001

*, calculated by introducing an interaction term between BMI categories and sex in Cox regression model.

[@], these values are at insignificant p-value of >0.05.