

METABOLIC SYNDROME CONTROVERSY

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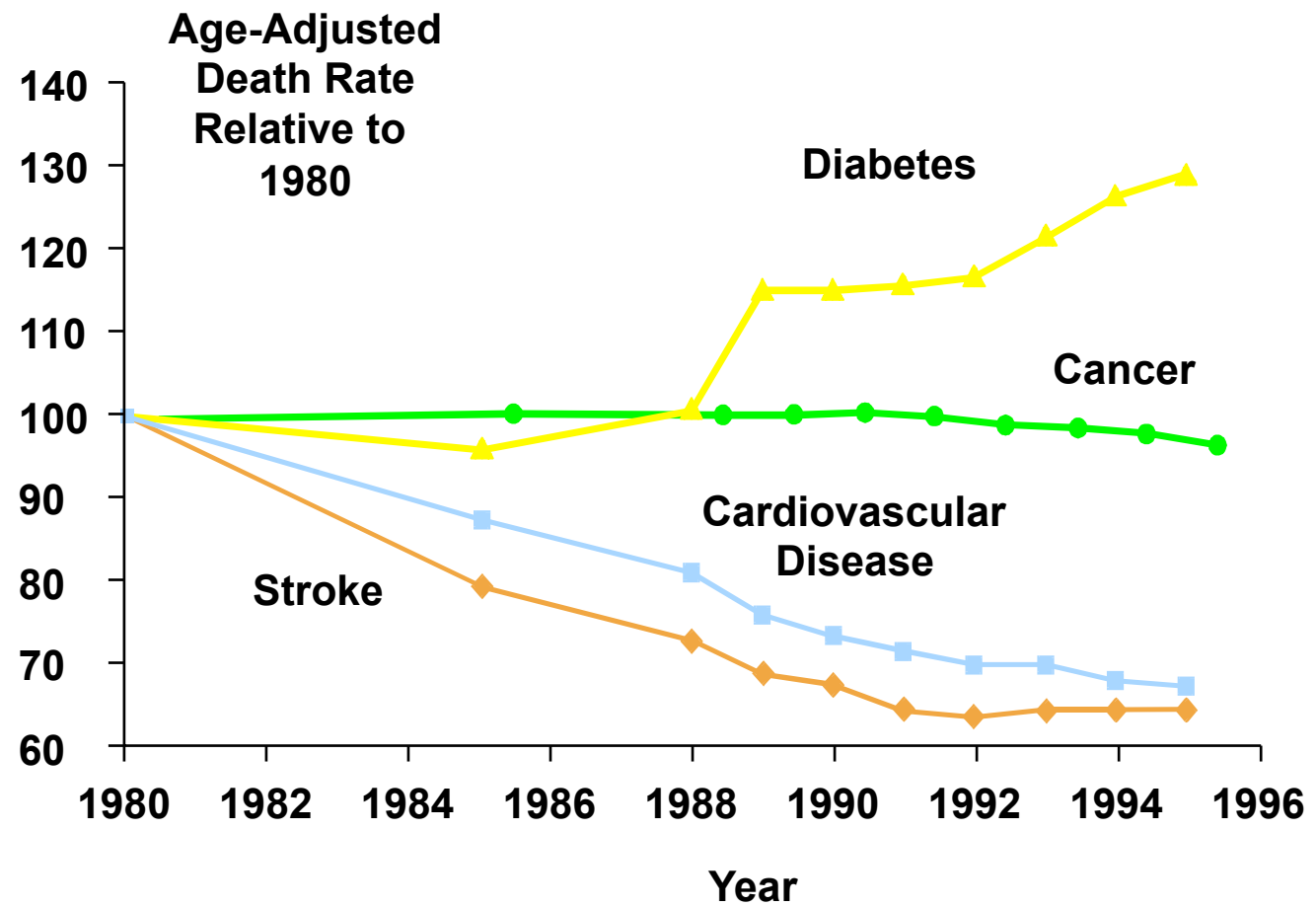
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W.R 52 y Female

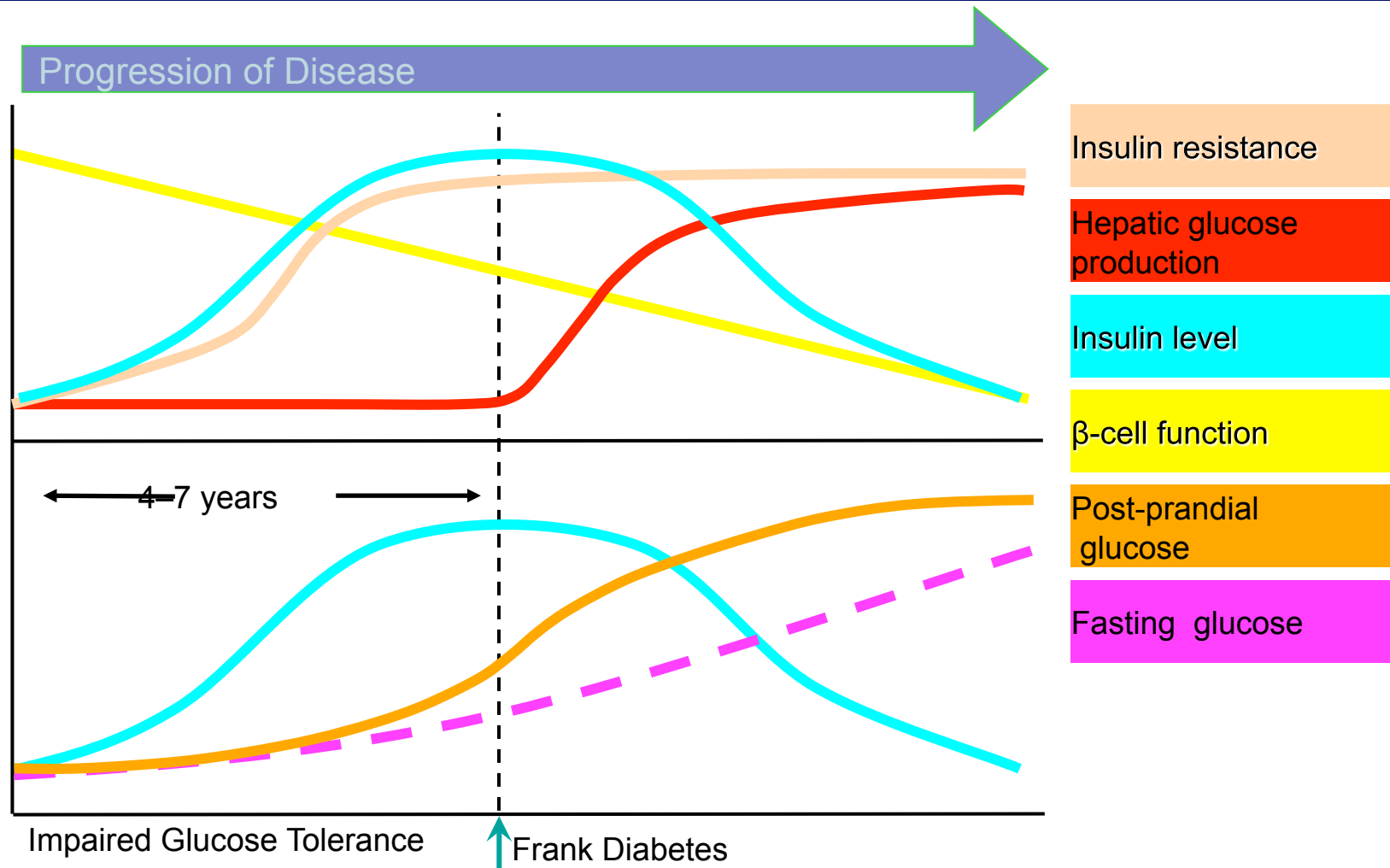


- BP =160/90
- WC =98 cm
- GLU = 250 mg/dl
- CHOL = 198 mg/dl
- TG = 258 mg/dl
- HDL = 28 mg/dl
- LDL = 107 mg/dl
- PROTEINURIA

Increasing Death Rate Due to Diabetes



Progression of Disease



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Cardiovascular Risk Factors: An Evolving Landscape

SMOKING
HIGH CHOLESTEROL
HIGH BLOOD
PRESSURE

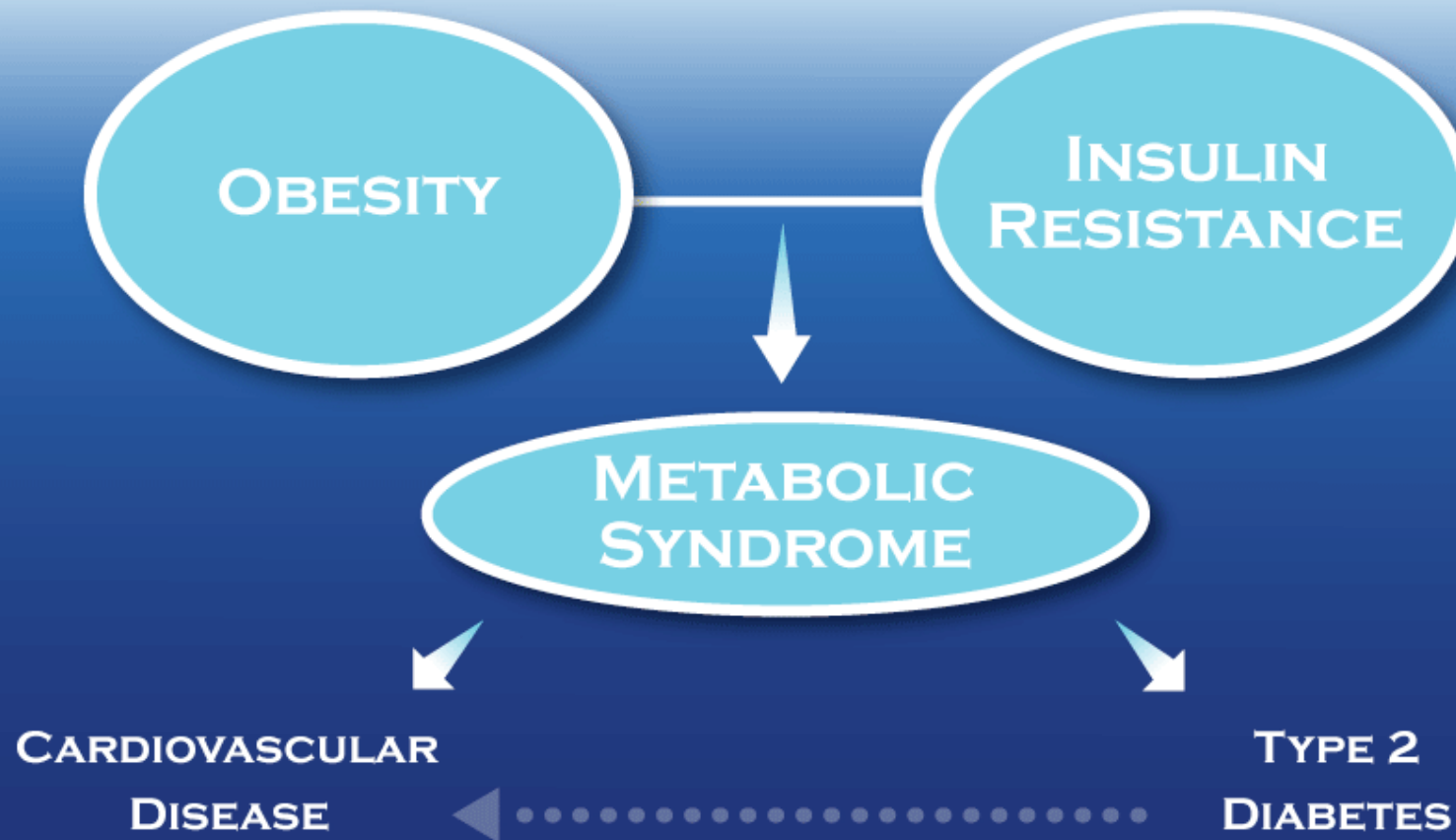
OBESITY
METABOLIC SYNDROME
TYPE 2 DIABETES

1950s-1960s

1990s-2000s

Metabolic Syndrome

Dual Pathways: Dual Outcomes



outline

- Metabolic syndrome name & definition?
- Is the metabolic syndrome important ?
- More than sum of its parts ?
- Clinical utility ?

Metabolic syndrome name

Syndrome derived from Greek:

syn = with or together

dromos = running stadium

Running together

Metabolic feature running together

CREPALDI'S SYNDROME

“seems to suggest a peculiar syndrome including hyperlipemia, obesity and diabetes. The development of ischaemic heart disease ... and hypertension is often found in these patients.”

Avogaro & Crepaldi, 1965

Conceptual Framework for the Metabolic Syndrome

- **Environmental** causes are responsible for the epidemic of the metabolic syndrome (NCEP)
- **Insulin resistance** is the underlying cause of the metabolic syndrome (Reaven, WHO)
- **Abdominal Obesity** is the underlying cause of the metabolic syndrome (IDF)

Environmental causes ATP III (2005)

- High waist circumference (102/88 cm)
 - ↑ Triglycerides ≥ 150 mg/dL[‡]
- ↓ HDL cholesterol[‡]
 - Men $< (40$ mg/dL)
 - Women $< (50$ mg/dL)
- ↑ Blood pressure $\geq 130 / \geq 85$ mm Hg[‡]
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Abdominal obesity - IDF

- High waist circumference
- *Plus any two of*
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Abdominal obesity and waist circumference thresholds

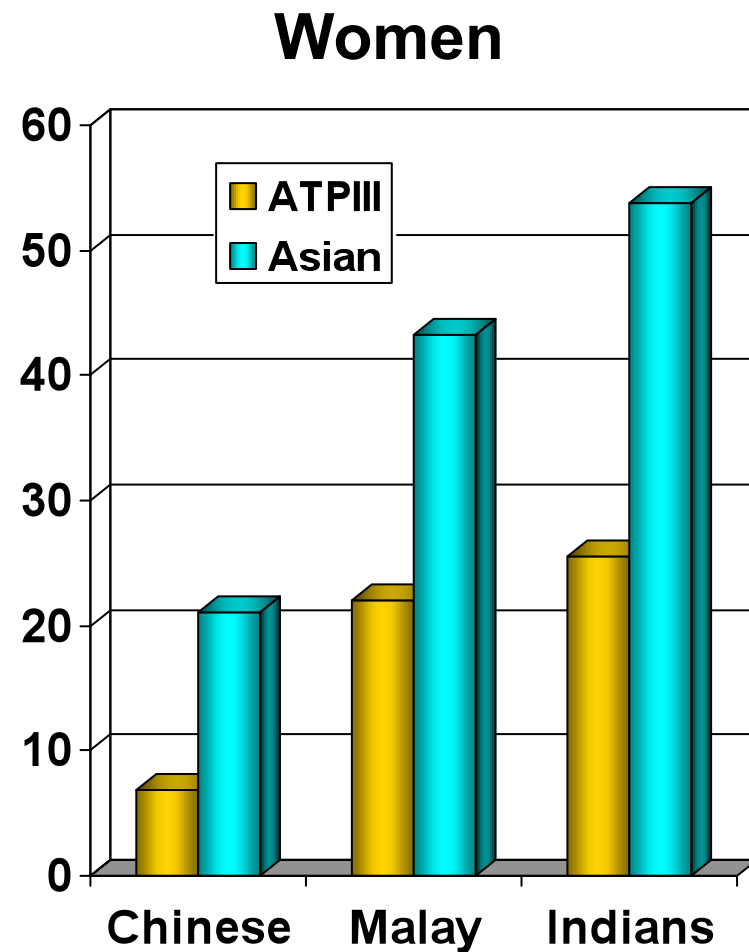
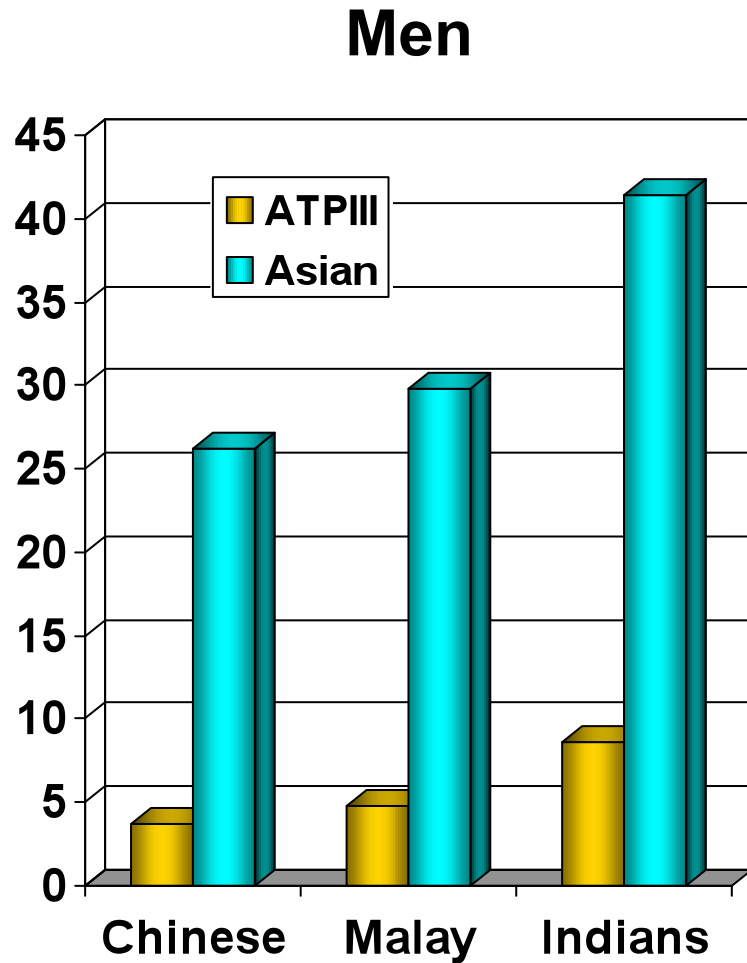
IDF criteria:

	Men	Women
Europid	≥ 94 cm (37.0 in)	≥ 80 cm (31.5 in)
South Asian	≥ 90 cm (35.4 in)	≥ 80 cm (31.5 in)
Chinese	≥ 90 cm (35.4 in)	≥ 80 cm (31.5 in)
Japanese	≥ 85 cm (33.5 in)	≥ 90 cm (35.4 in)

Current NCEP ATP-III criteria

- >102 cm in men, >88 cm in women

Prevalence of Central Obesity in Singapore

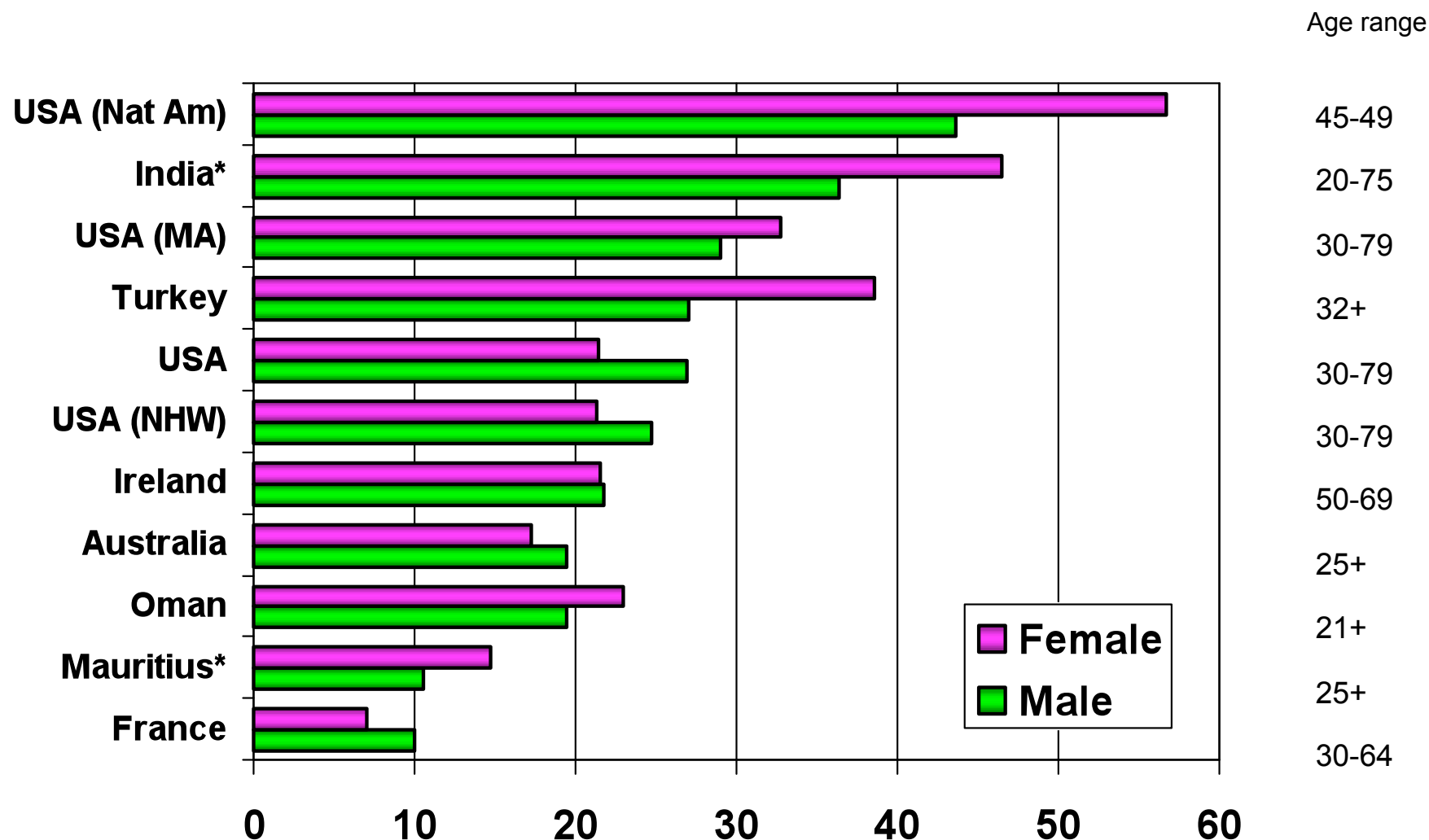


Women >88 cm (ATP III) >80 cm (Asian)
Men >102 cm (ATP III) >90 cm (Asian)

Criteria for Clinical Diagnosis of the Metabolic Syndrome - 2009

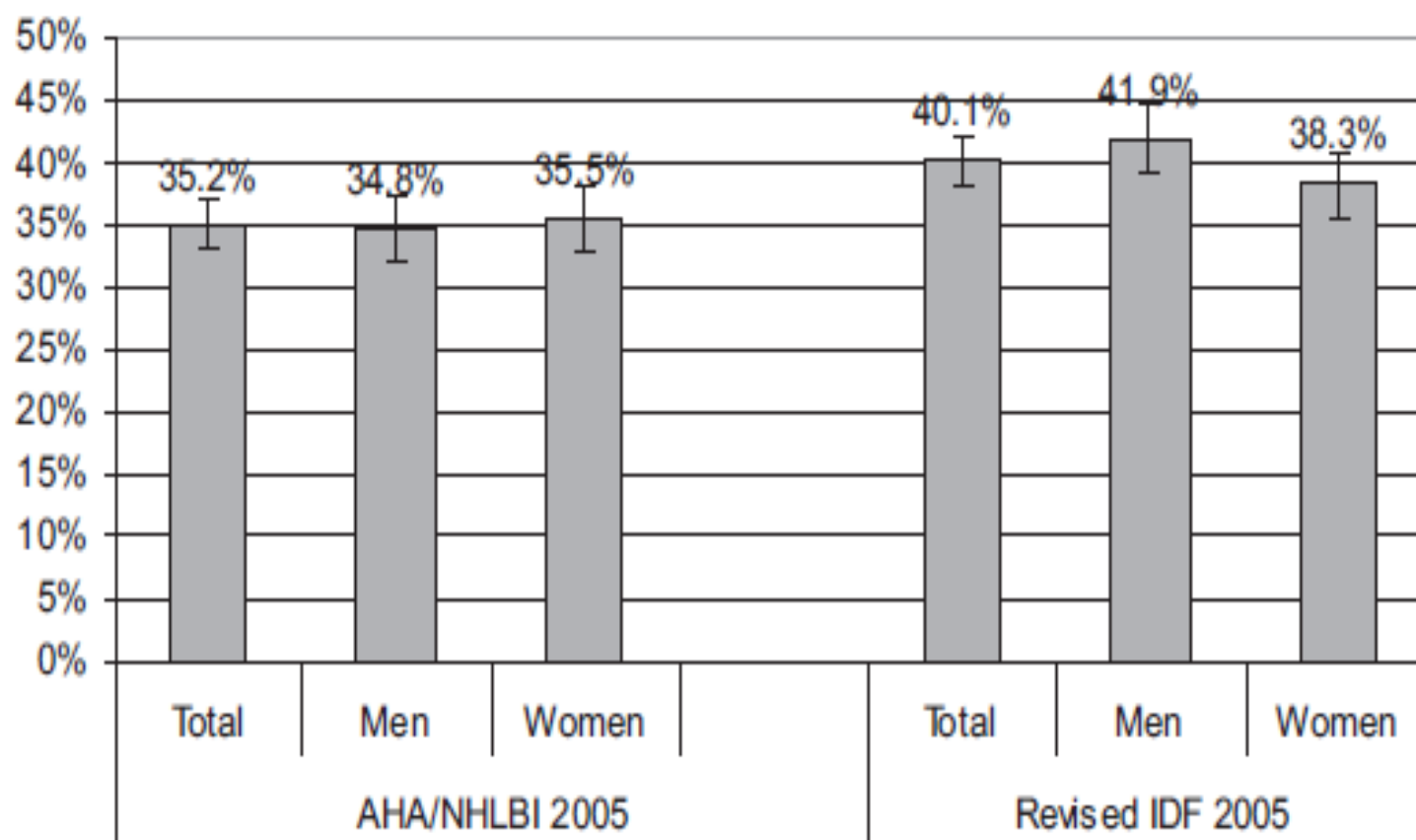
Measure	Categorical Cut Points
Elevated waist circumference*	Population- and country-specific definitions
Elevated triglycerides (drug treatment for elevated triglycerides is an alternate indicator†)	≥ 150 mg/dL (1.7 mmol/L)
Reduced HDL-C (drug treatment for reduced HDL-C is an alternate indicator†)	< 40 mg/dL (1.0 mmol/L) in males; < 50 mg/dL (1.3 mmol/L) in females
Elevated blood pressure (antihypertensive drug treatment in a patient with a history of hypertension is an alternate indicator)	Systolic ≥ 130 and/or diastolic ≥ 85 mm Hg
Elevated fasting glucose‡ (drug treatment of elevated glucose is an alternate indicator)	≥ 100 mg/dL

Prevalence Of The Metabolic Syndrome According To ATP III Definition



*Obesity criteria adjusted to waist circumference appropriate for an Indian population

Unadjusted prevalence of the metabolic syndrome among US adults > 20 y



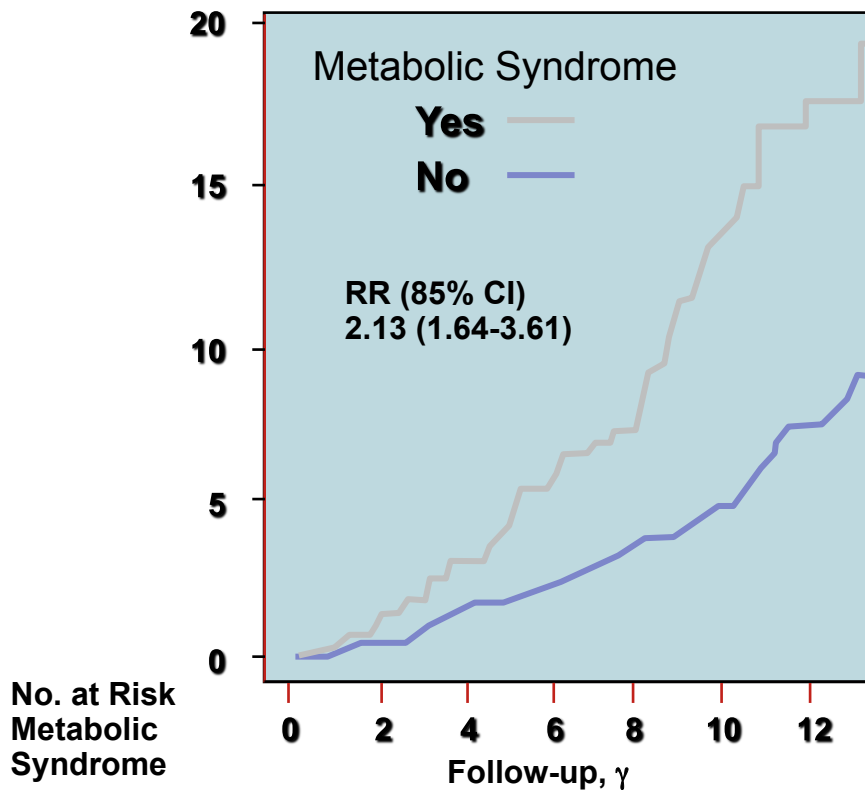
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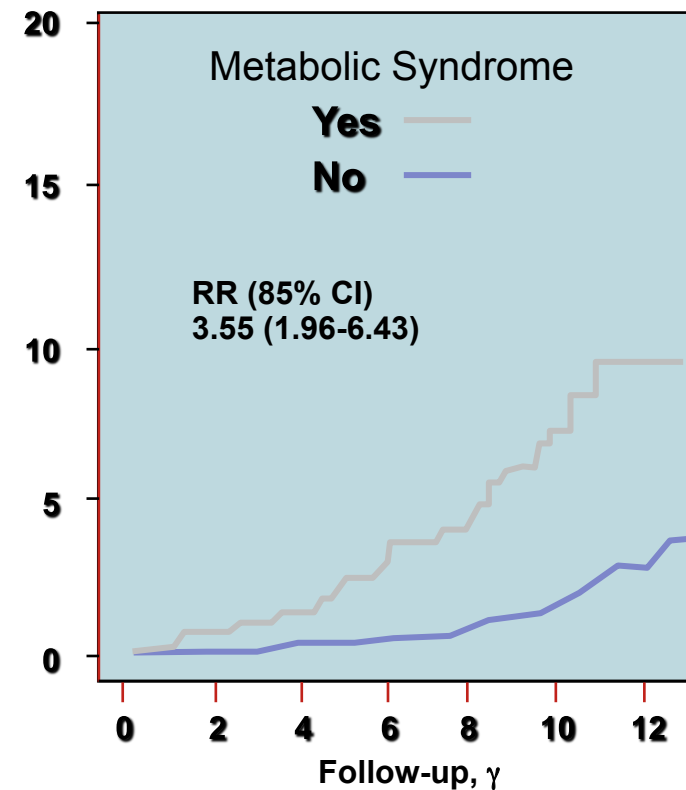
Metabolic Syndrome: Total and CV Mortality in Middle-Aged Men in Kuopio Heart Study

Cumulative Hazard (%)

All-Cause Mortality



Cardiovascular Disease Mortality

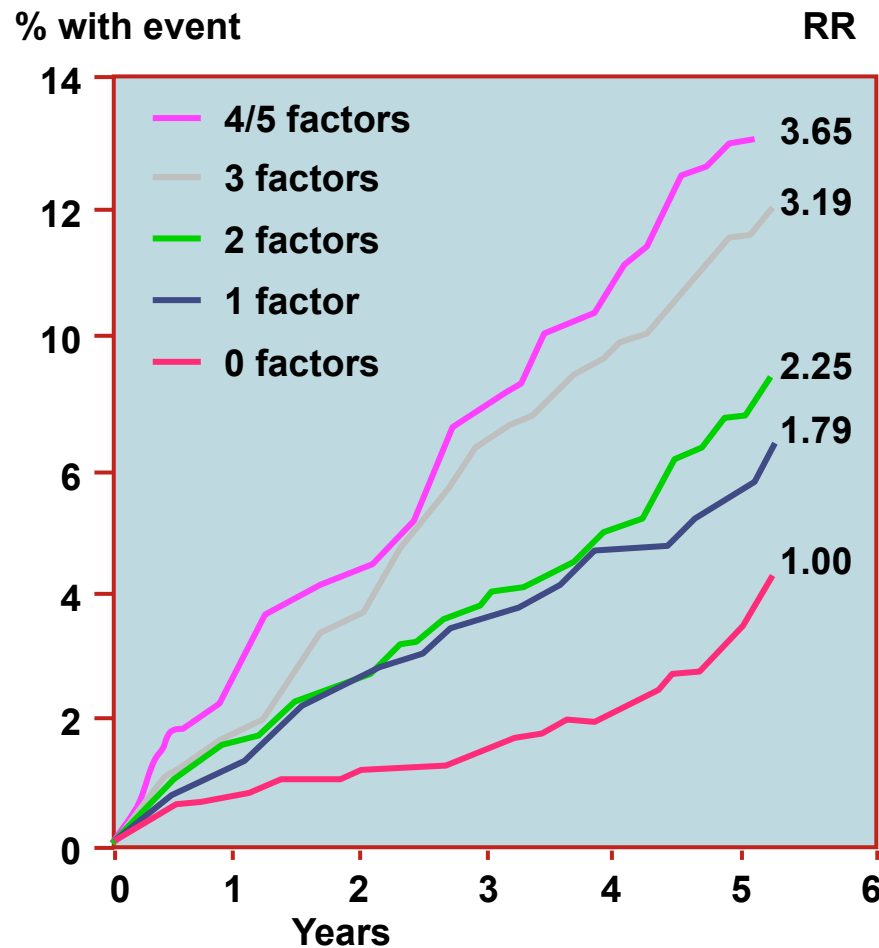


RR indicates relative risk; CI, confidence interval. Median follow-up (range) for survivors was 11.6 (9.1-19.7) years

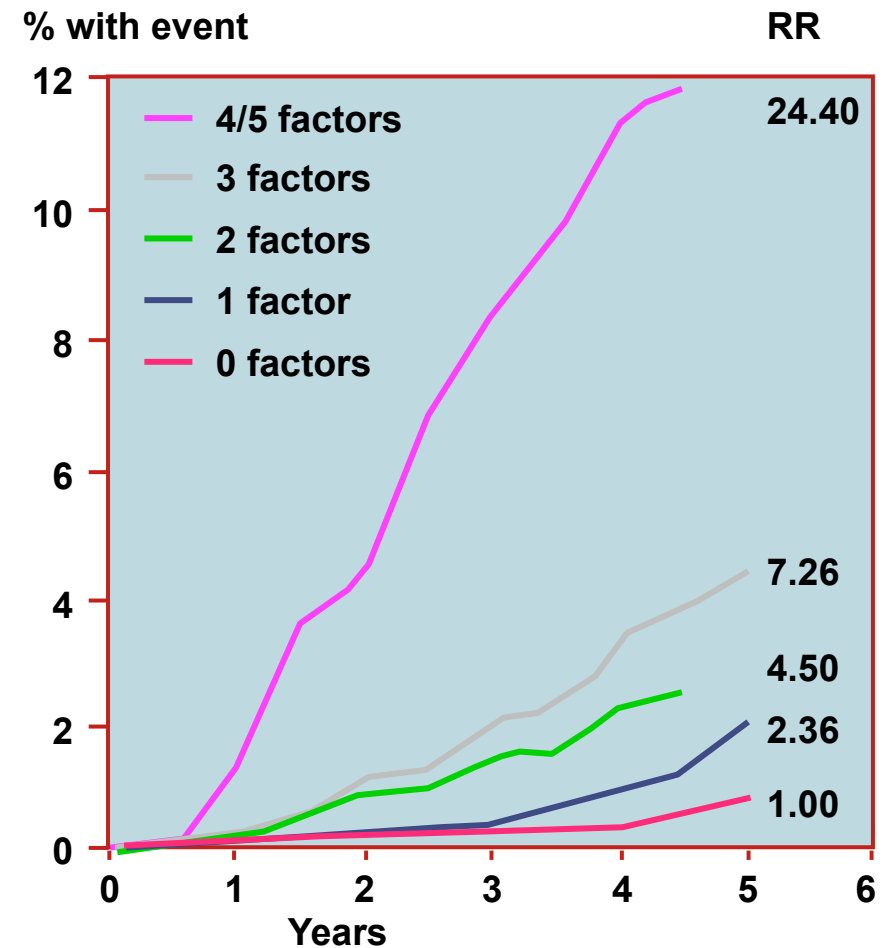
Lokka, H-M, et al JAMA 2002; 288: 2709-2716

Metabolic Syndrome as a Predictor of CHD and Diabetes in WOSCOPS

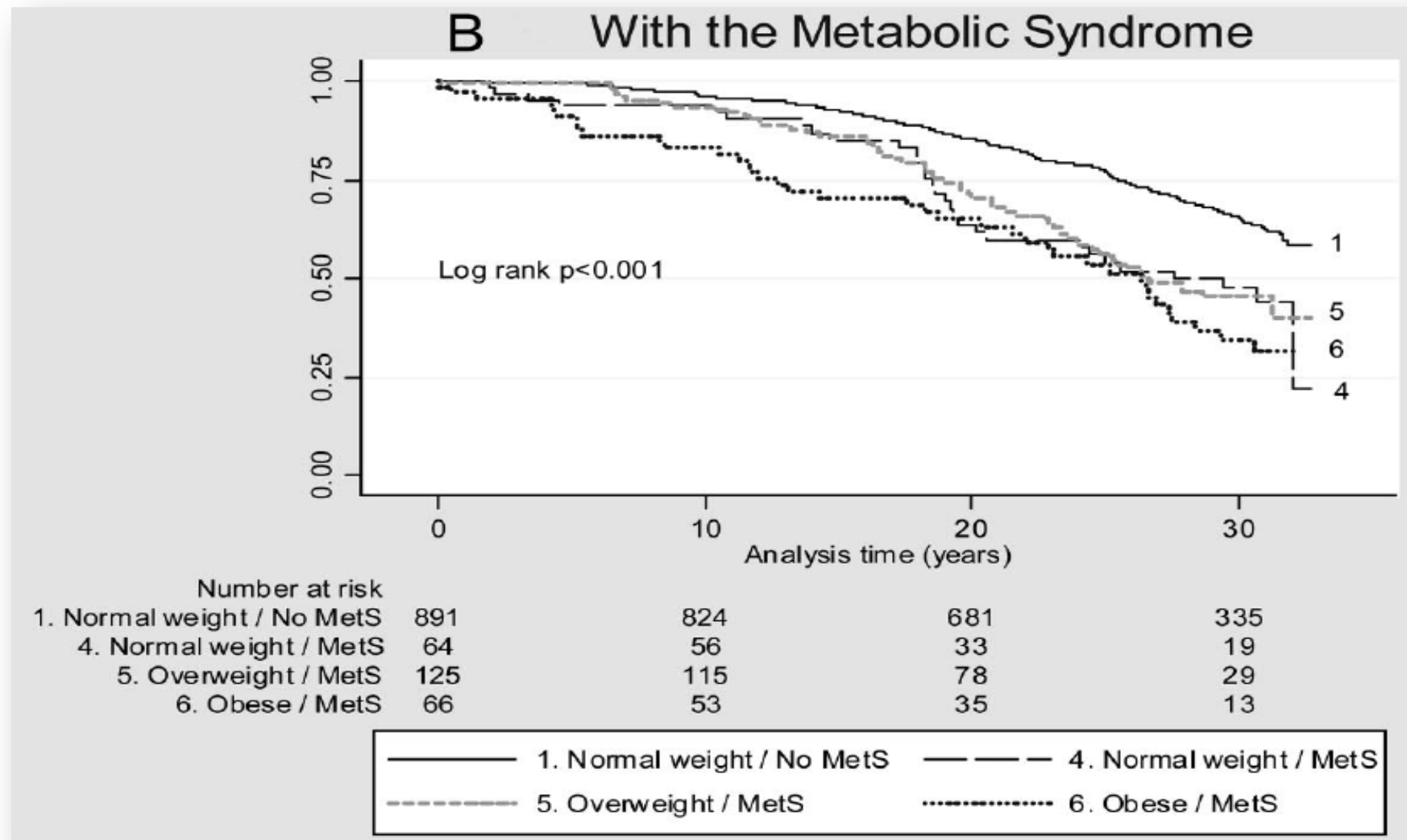
CHD Death/Non-fatal MI



Onset of New DM



Impact of Body Mass Index and the Metabolic Syndrome on the Risk of Cardiovascular Disease and Death in Middle-Aged Men



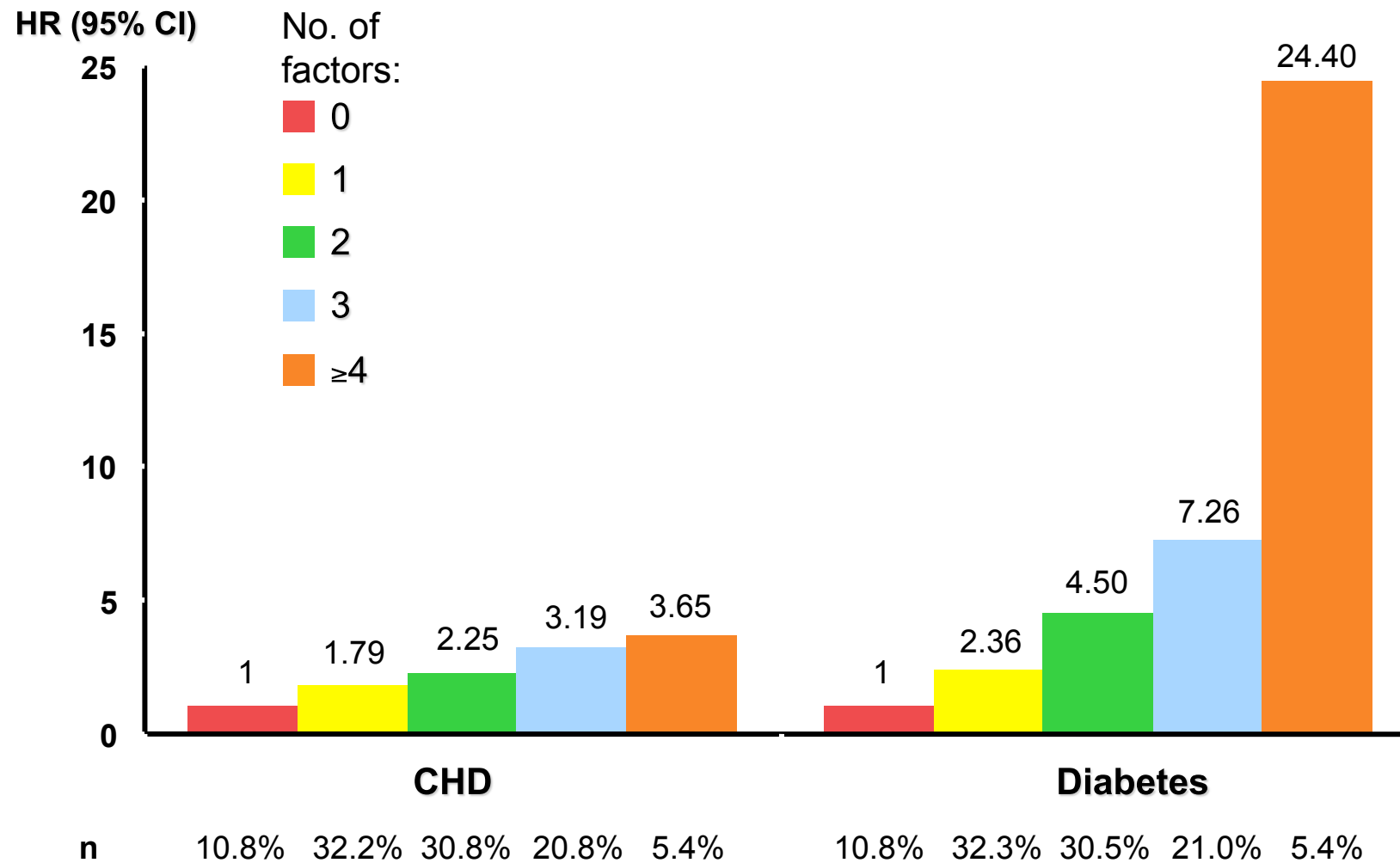
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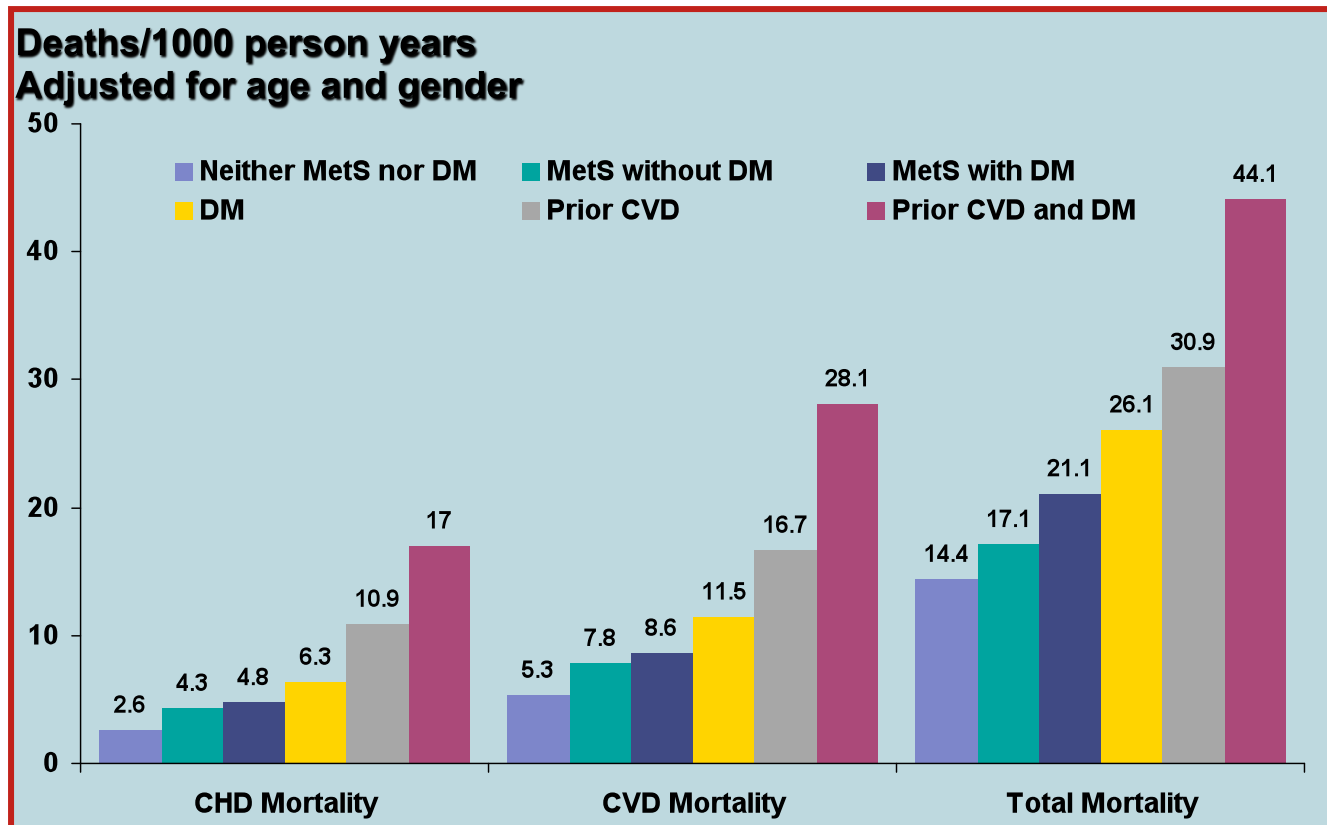
- **Multiplicative risk** - Multiple risk factors rises geometrically.
- **Hidden risk factors** – Many MS risk factors are not measured.

Risk for CHD and Diabetes Based on Number of Metabolic Syndrome Criteria



Impact of the Metabolic Syndrome on Mortality From CHD,CVD, and All Causes in US Adults: NHANES II

Prospective Cohort Study with 13 year F/U n=6255 ages 30-75 years

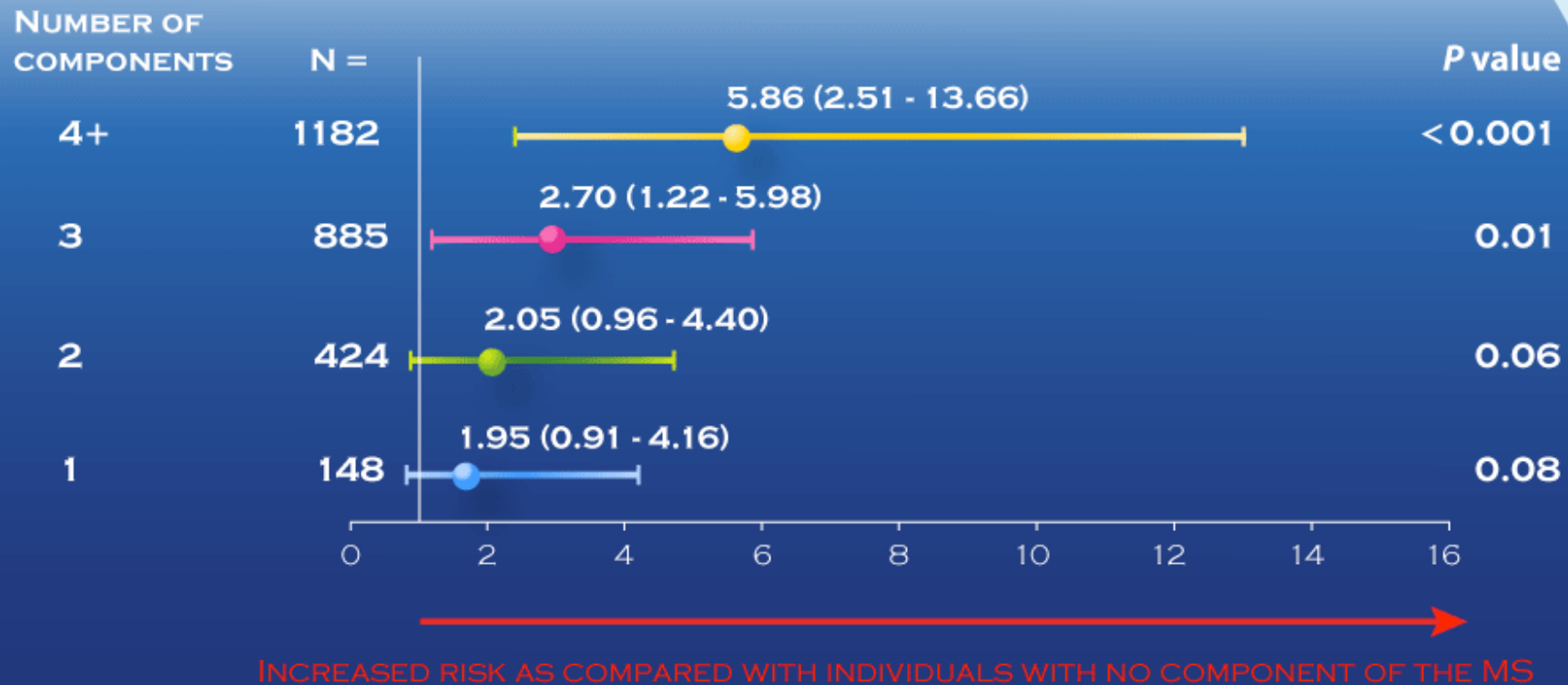


Hazard Ratio for CHD

No MetS RF	1.0
1-2 MetS RF	2.1
MetS	2.9
MetS+DM	5.0
CVD	6.8
DM+CVD	11.3

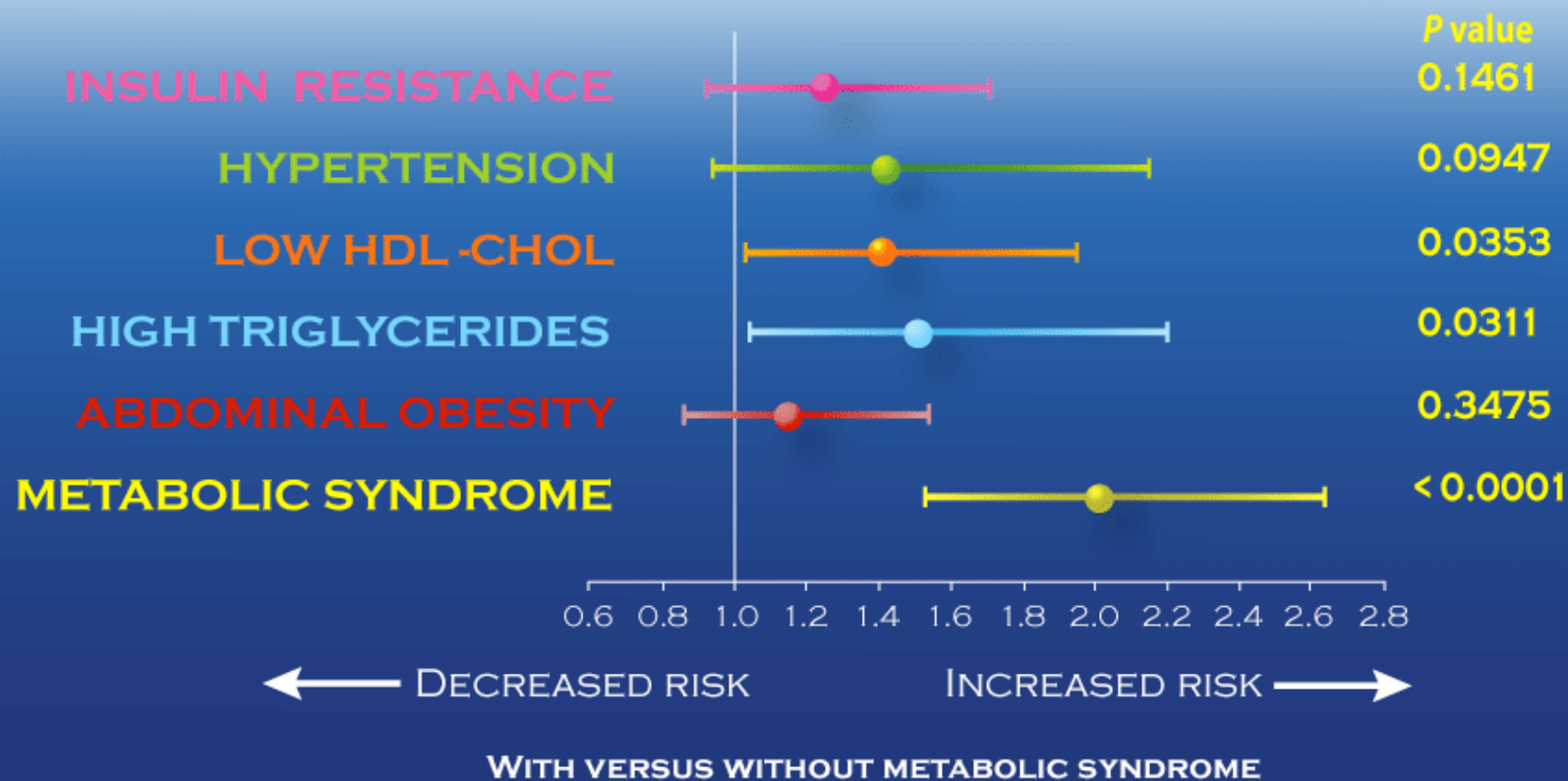
Metabolic Syndrome more strongly predicted CHD, CVD, and mortality than its individual components.

Association Between The Number of Metabolic Syndrome Components and Incident CVD



Klein BEK, et al. (Beaver Dam Study). Diabetes Care 2002;25:1790-1794.

The Metabolic Syndrome Associates with a History of Myocardial Infarction Greater than any of its Individual Components

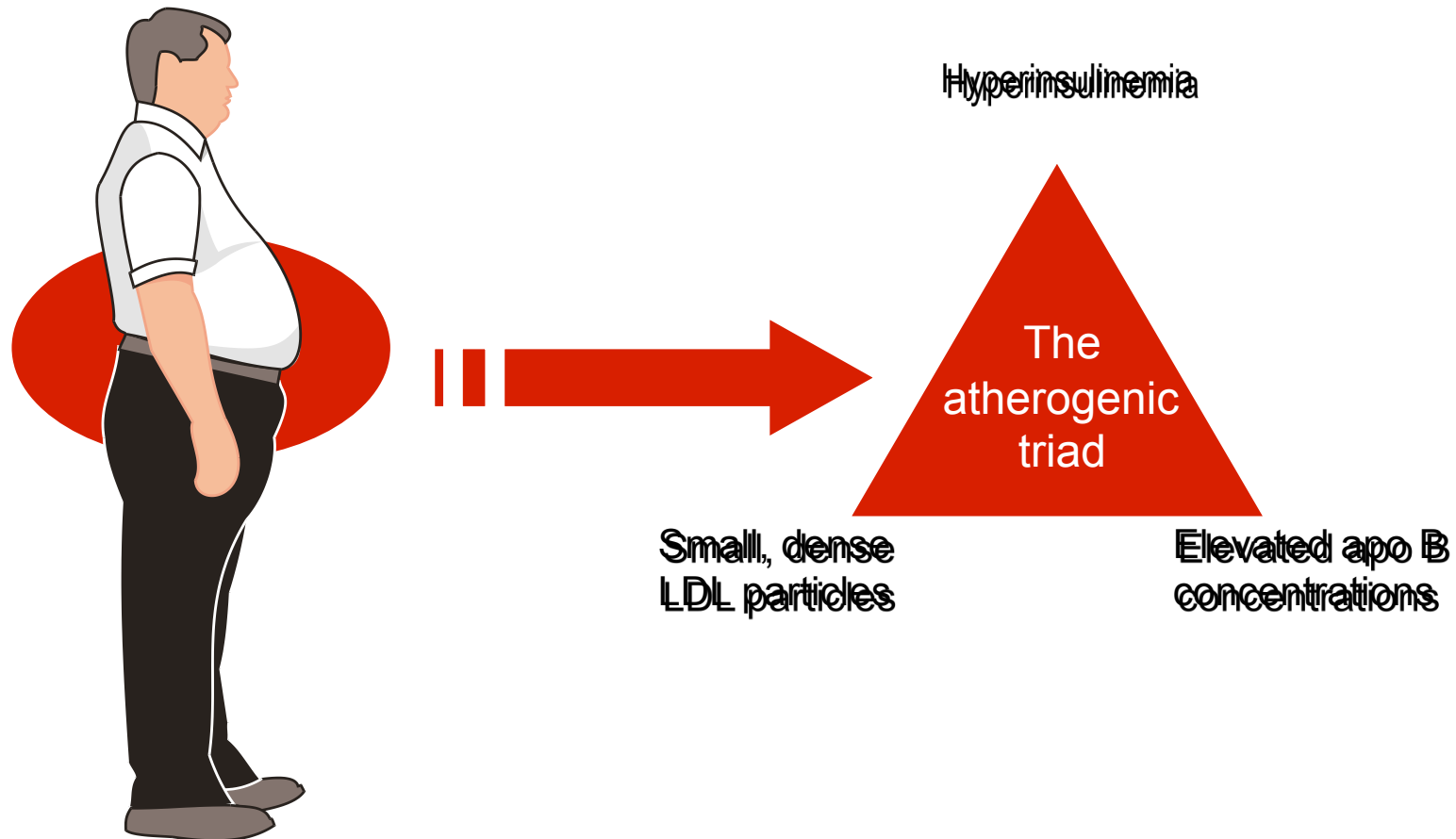


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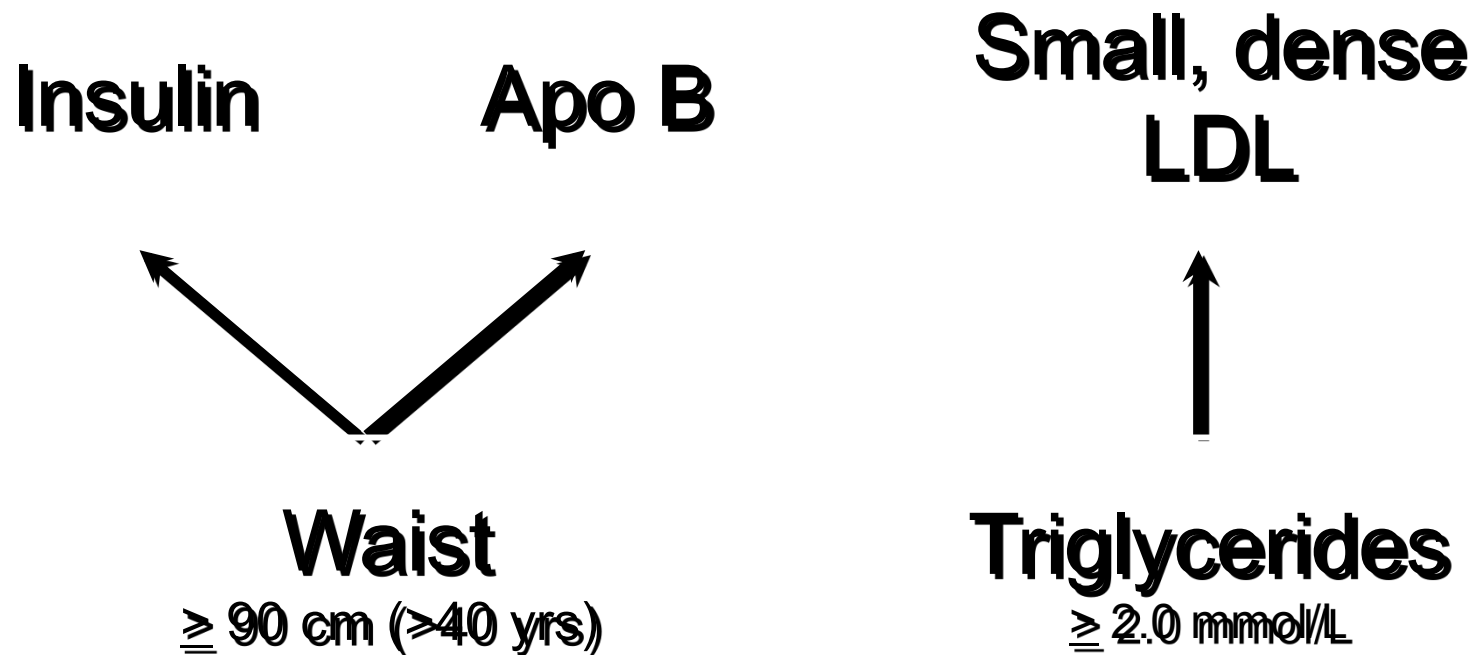
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The atherogenic metabolic triad



The Atherogenic Triad Anew Metabolic Risk Factor



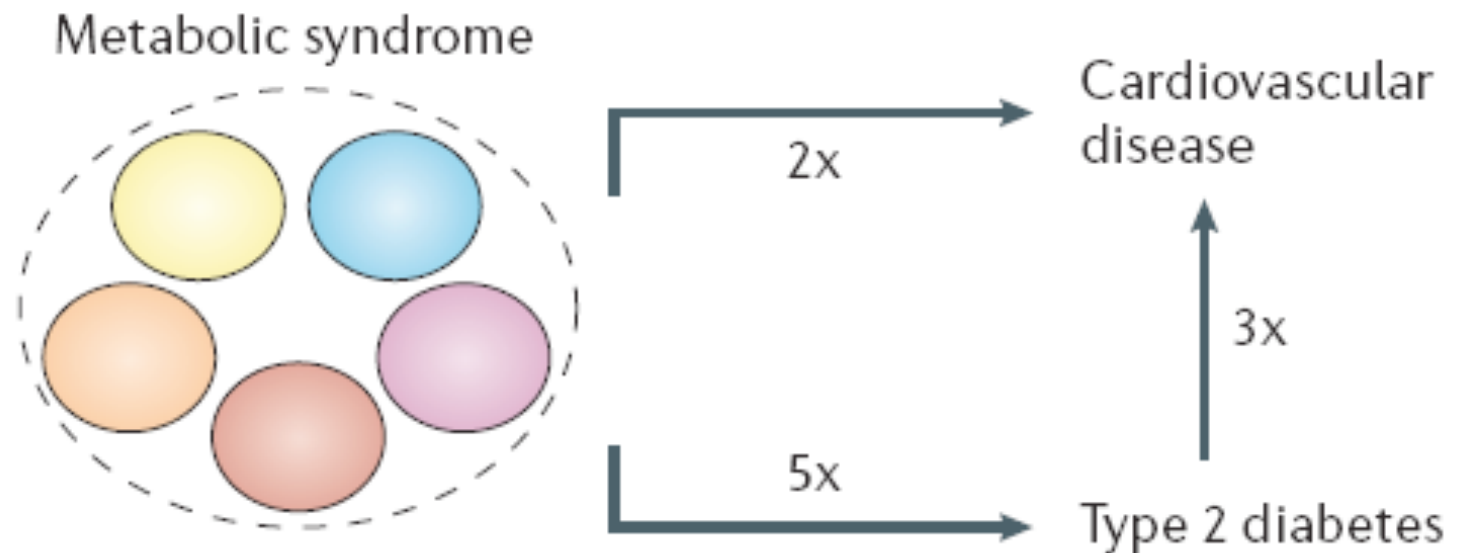
Adapted from Lemieux I et al.

Percentage of men with the constellation of risk factors of abdominal obesity

	Waist	+	Triglycerides	
Good	< 90 cm		< 2.0 mmol/L	~ 10%
Bad	≥ 90 cm		≥ 2.0 mmol/L	~ 80%

Adapted from Lemieux I et al.
Circulation (2000) 102:179-184

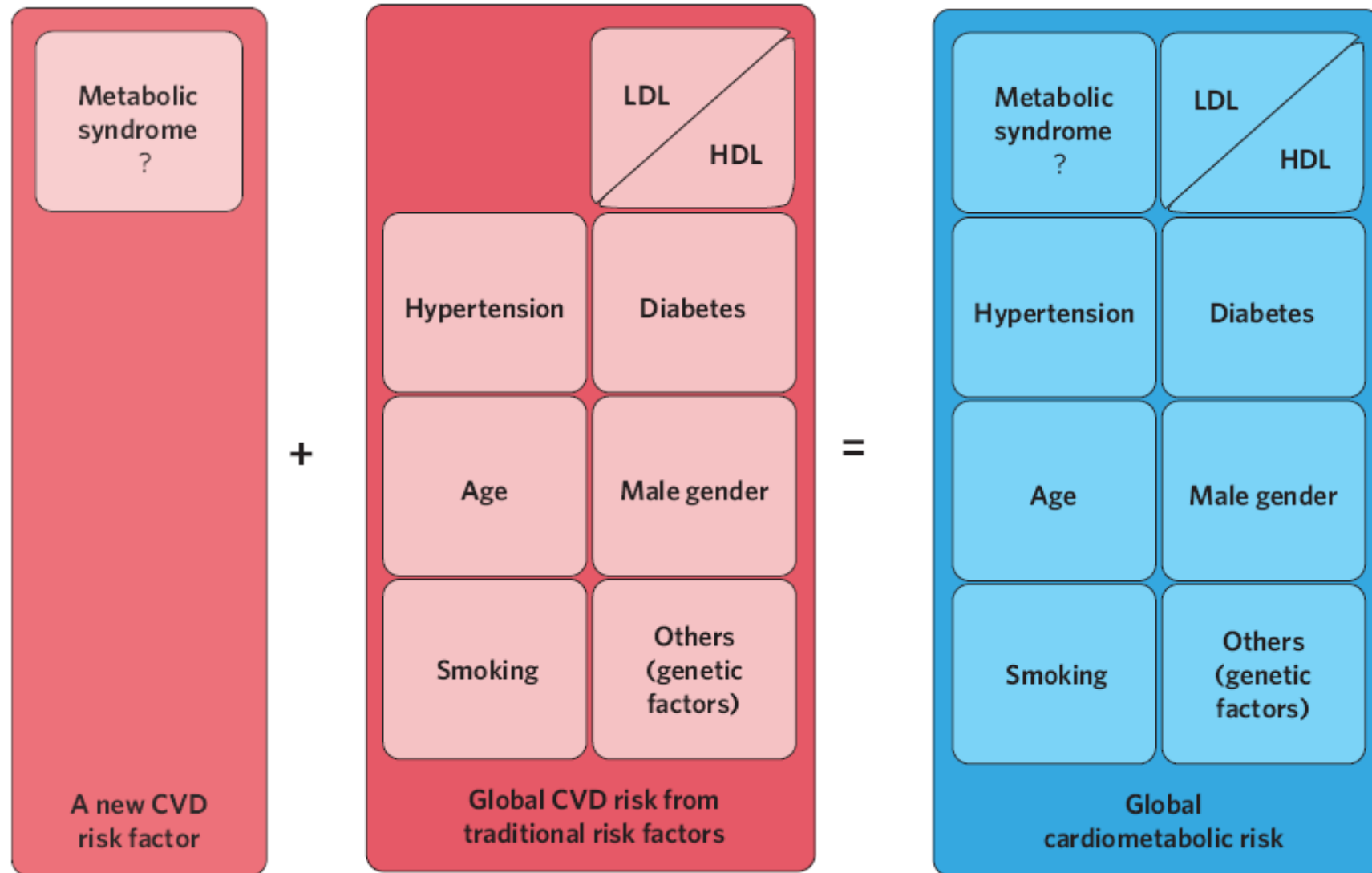
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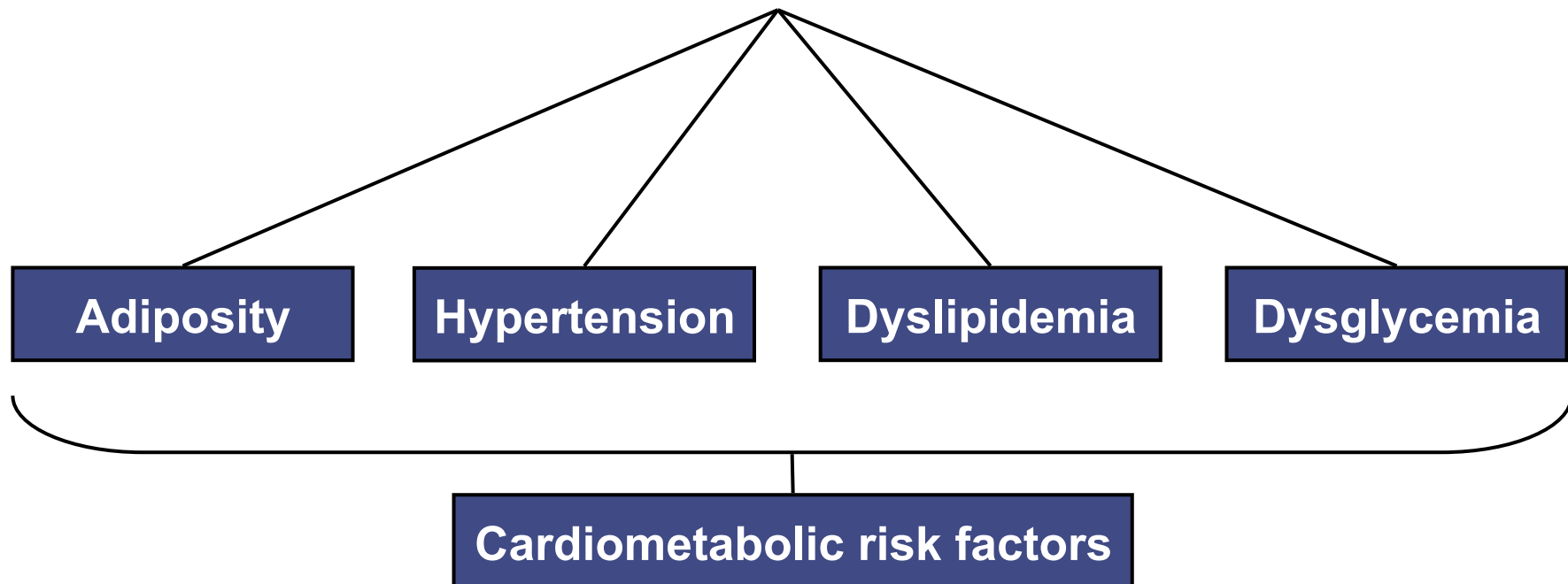
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Global Cardiometabolic Risk



Defining cardiometabolic risk

**Risk factors linked to cardiovascular disease (CVD)
and diabetes**



Case study

- 45 y Male
- Non Smoker
- Total Cholesterol = **230** mg/dl
- HDL= **38** mg/dl
- LDL = **150** mg/dl
- TG = **180** mg/dl
- WC = **103** cm
- SBP = **133**
- Framingham = **8%**
- Cardiometabolic Risk = **16%**

JUPITER

Can we simplify guidelines for statin therapy

1. Strong recommendations for diet, exercise, and smoking cessation for any patient with or at risk for cardiovascular disease.
2. If there is prior MI, stroke, or known CVD, treat
3. If the patient is diabetic or has a very strong family history of premature atherothrombosis, treat
4. If LDLC > 160, TC:HDLC > 6, or hsCRP > 2, or MS treat
5. Beyond these recommendations, referral to lipid specialist or cardiologist for further evaluation.

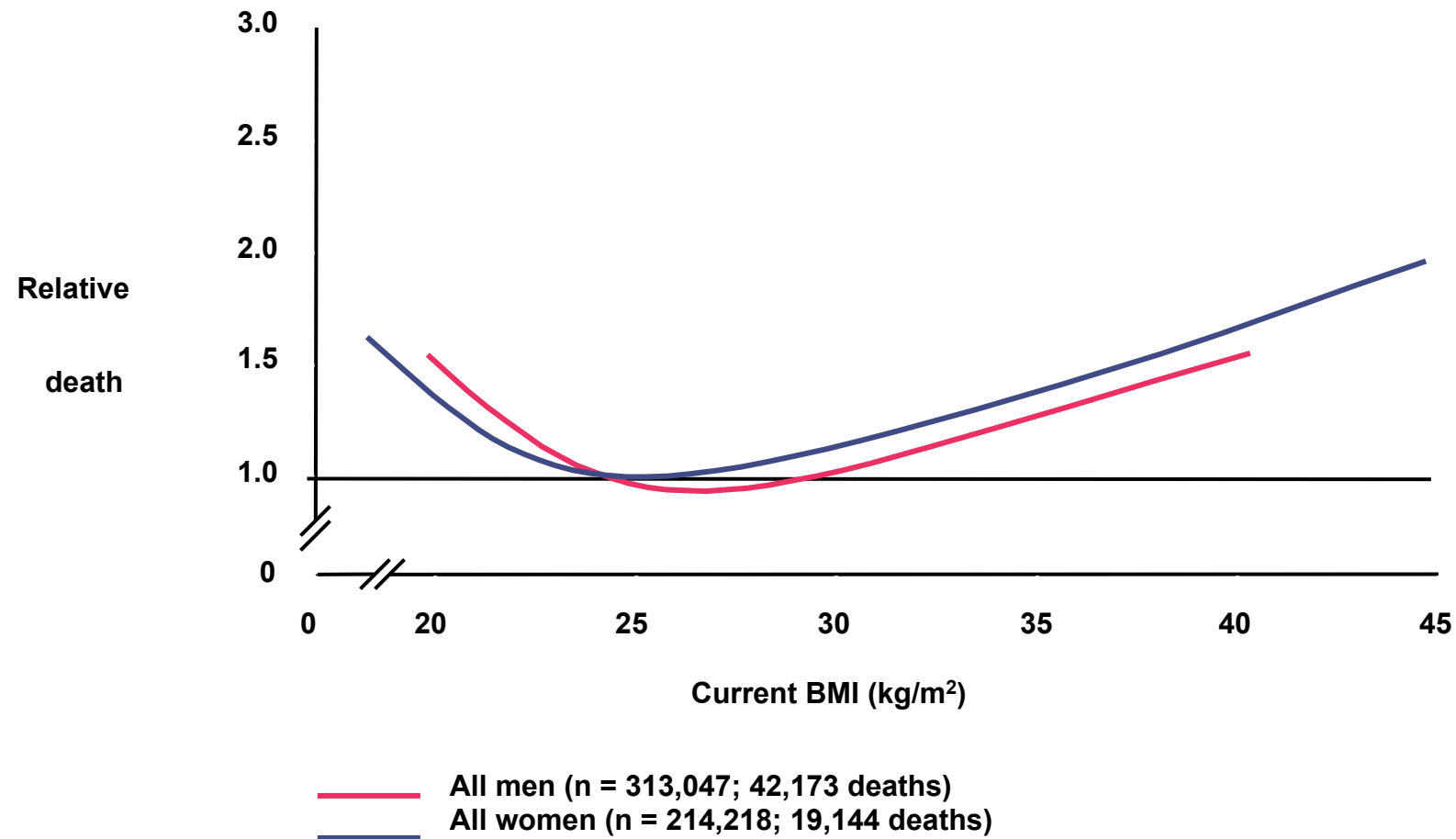
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Adiposity predicts mortality



Obesity is usually measured as body mass index (BMI)



Weight (kg)

Height (m²)

Classification of Overweight and Obesity

BMI

Obesity

Overweight

25.0 - 29.9

Obesity I

30.0 - 34.9

High

Obesity II

35.0 - 39.9

High

Obesity III

≥ 40

Extremely

High

High

Body Mass Index Paradox



■ 1.77 m

■ 100.45 kg

■ BMI = 32.09

■ Obese???

Body Mass Index Paradox



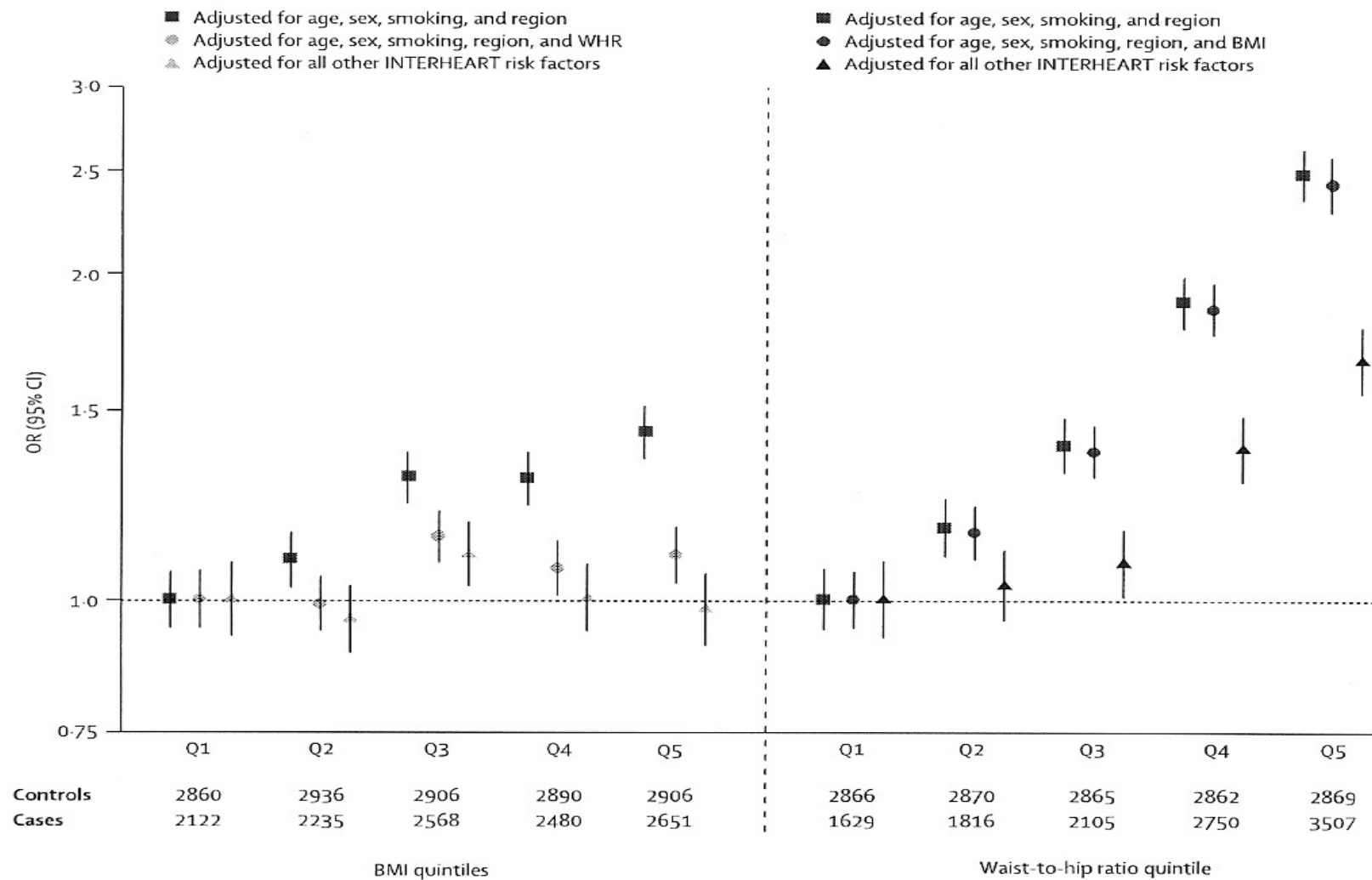
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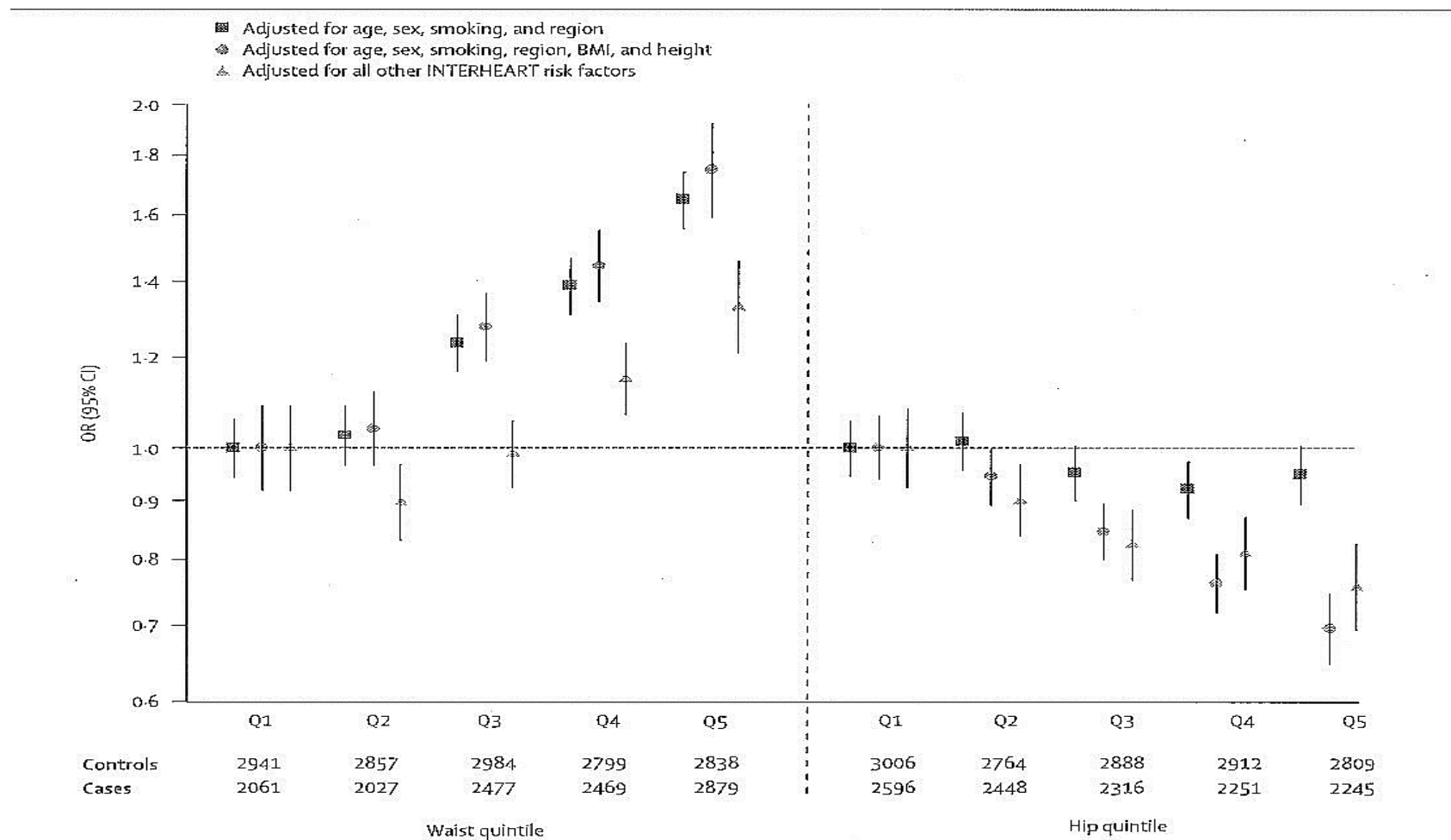
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Obesity and the risk of MI in 27000 participants from 52 countries: a case-control study

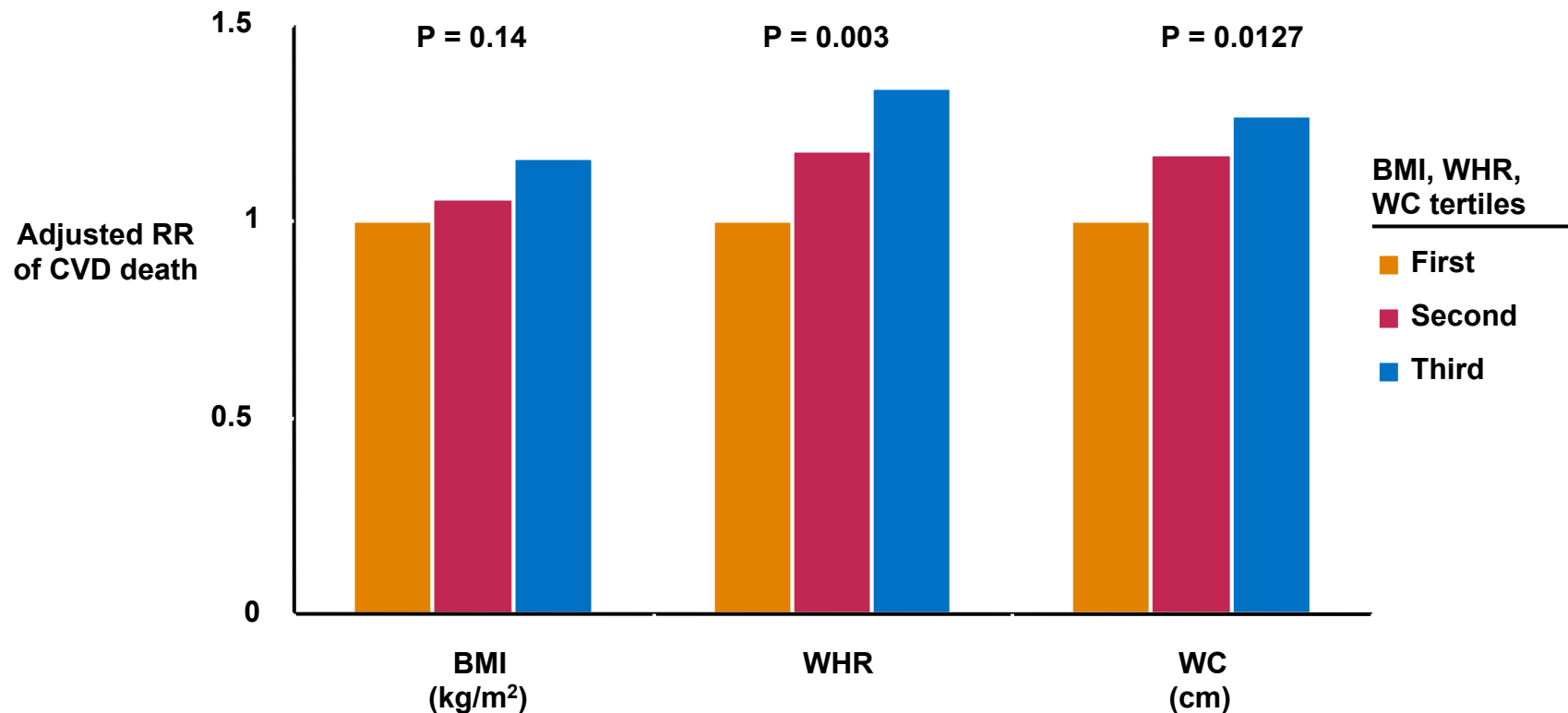


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Central adiposity: Better marker of CVD than BMI

N = 8802 HOPE Study participants



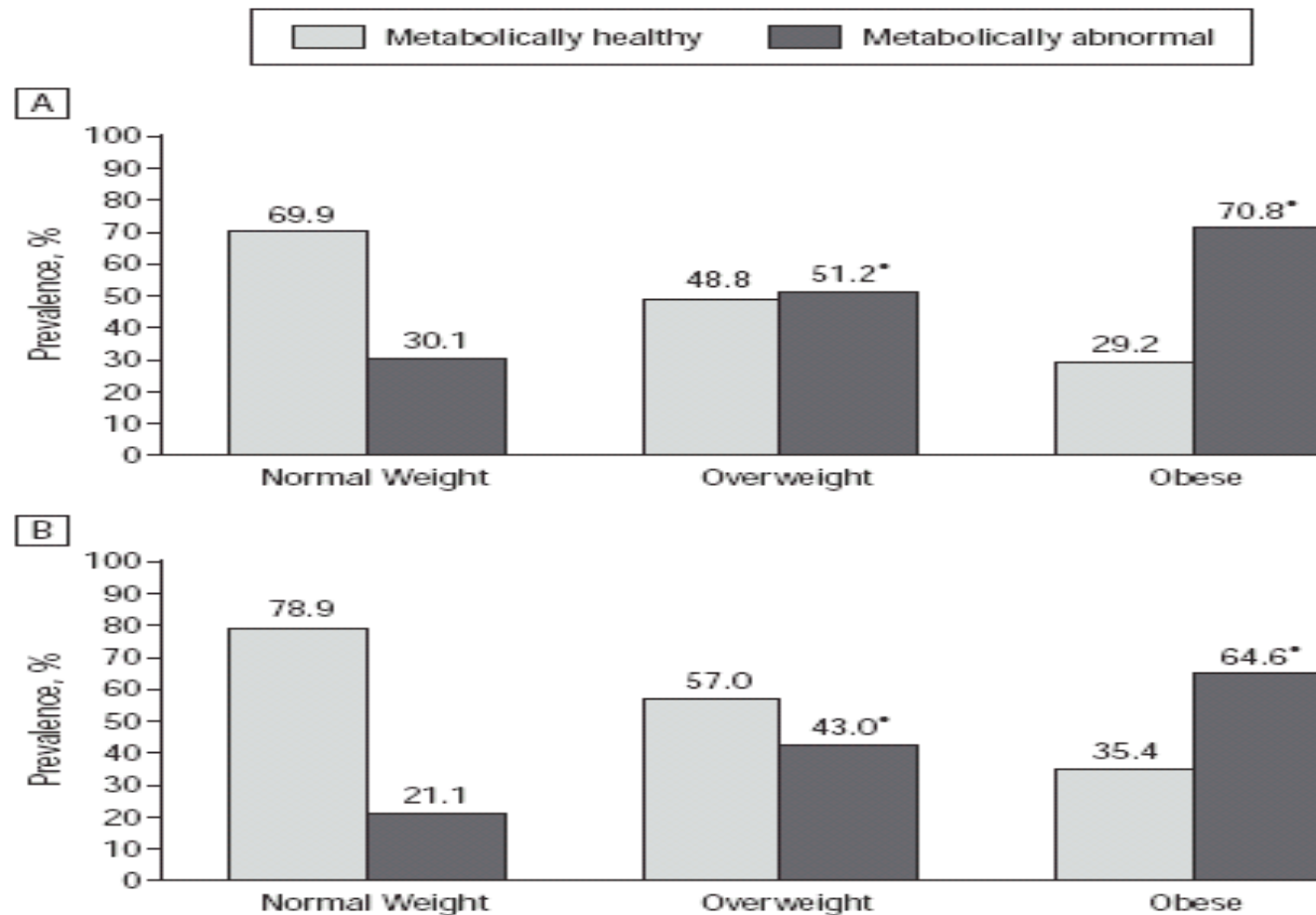
WC = waist circumference

WHR = waist/hip ratio

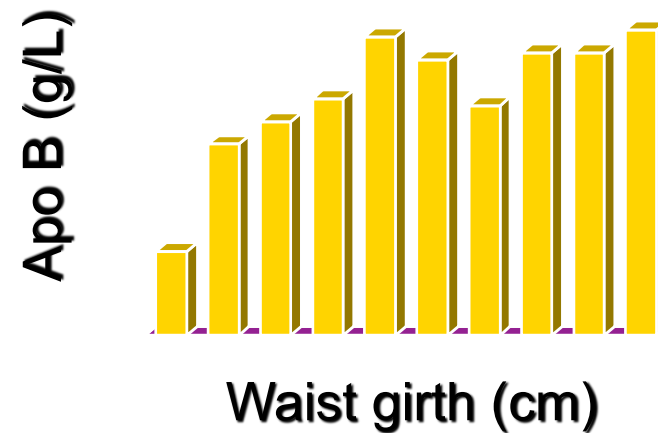
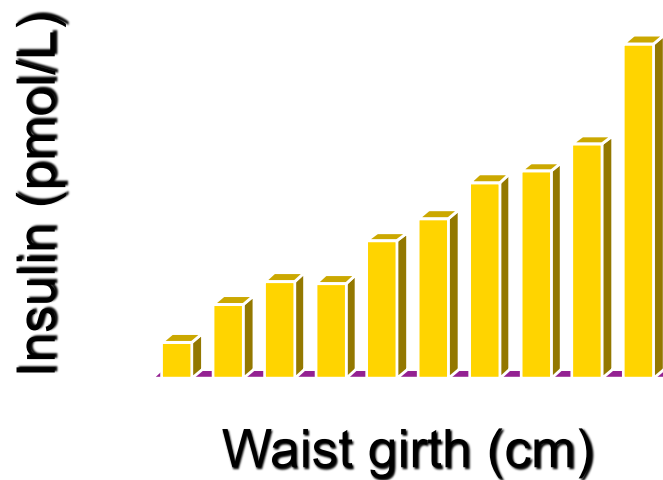
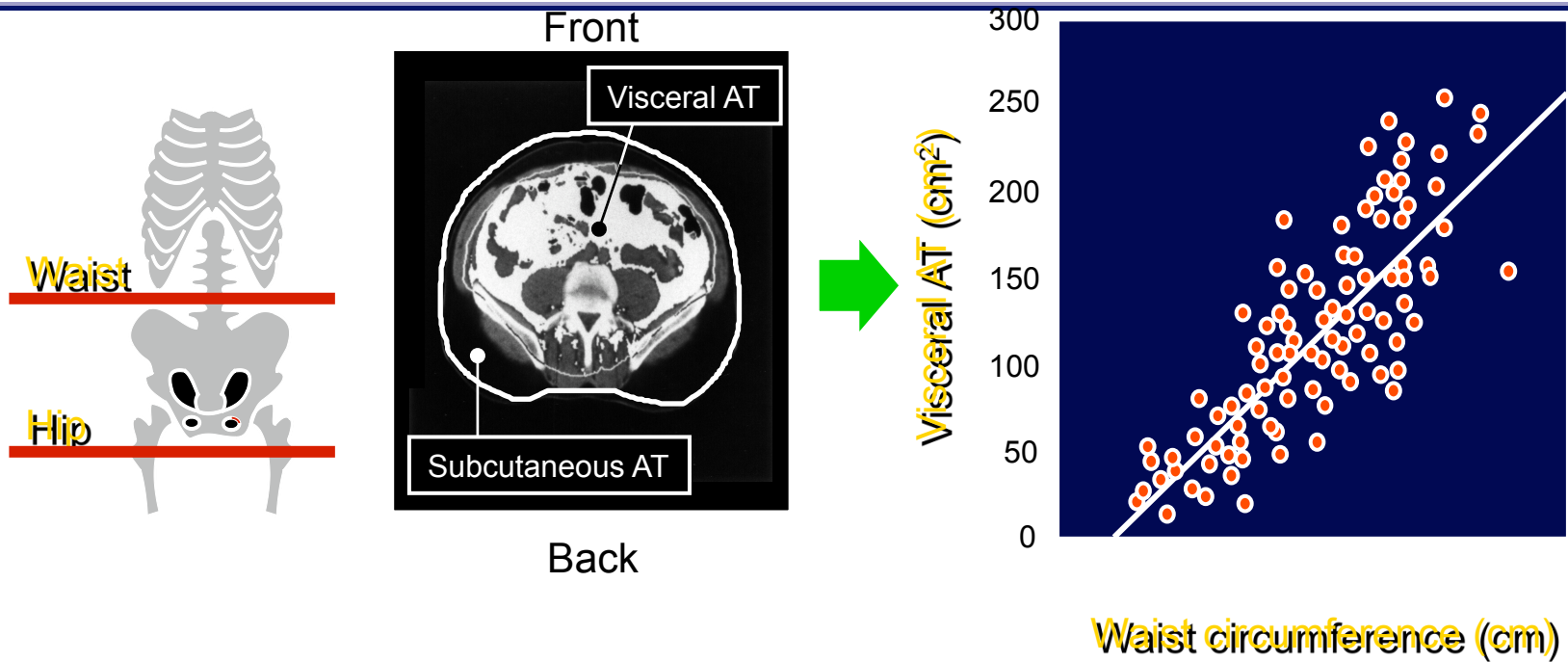
Classification of Overweight and Obesity

BMI	Obesity		Risk for Type 2 Diabetes, Hypertension and CVD	
	Low	High	<u>Waist Circumference</u>	
Overweight	25.0 - 29.9		Increased	High
Obesity I High	30.0 - 34.9	I	High	Very
Obesity II High	35.0 - 39.9	II	Very High	Very
Obesity III	≥40 Extremely	III	Extremely	
	High	High		

Age-standardized prevalence of cardiometabolic abnormalities by body size and sex (A, men; B, women).

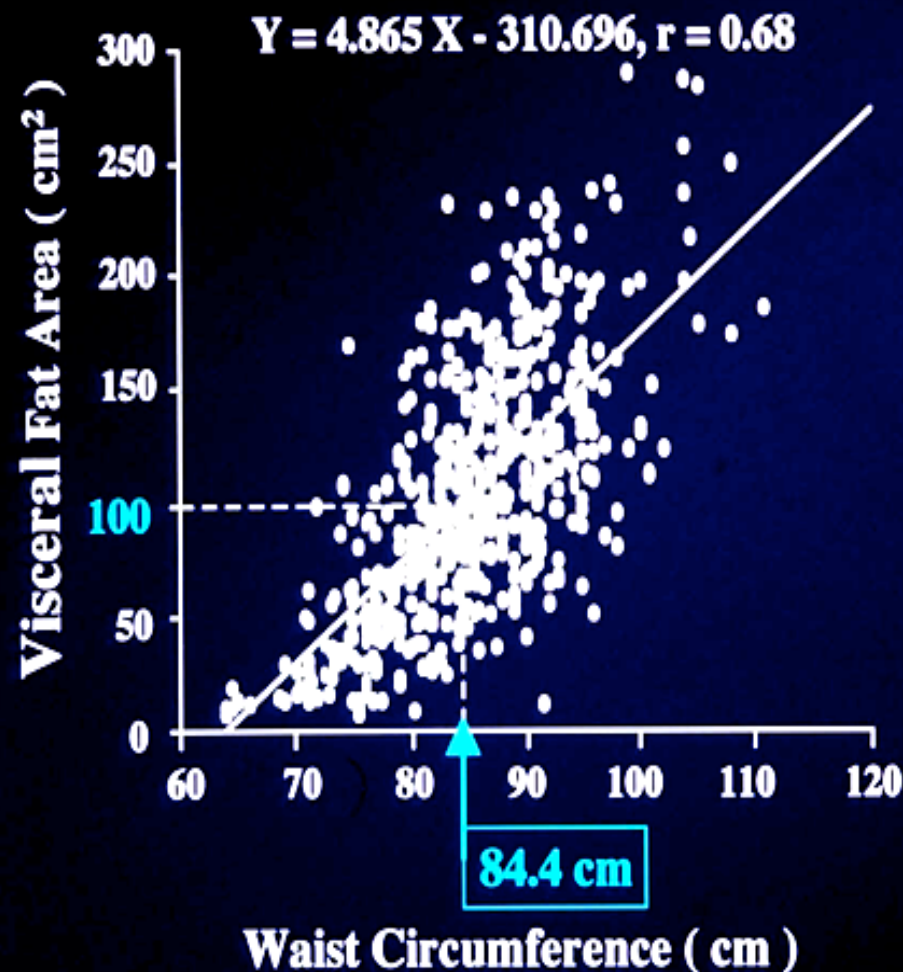


Relationship between waist circumference and visceral adipose tissue accumulation

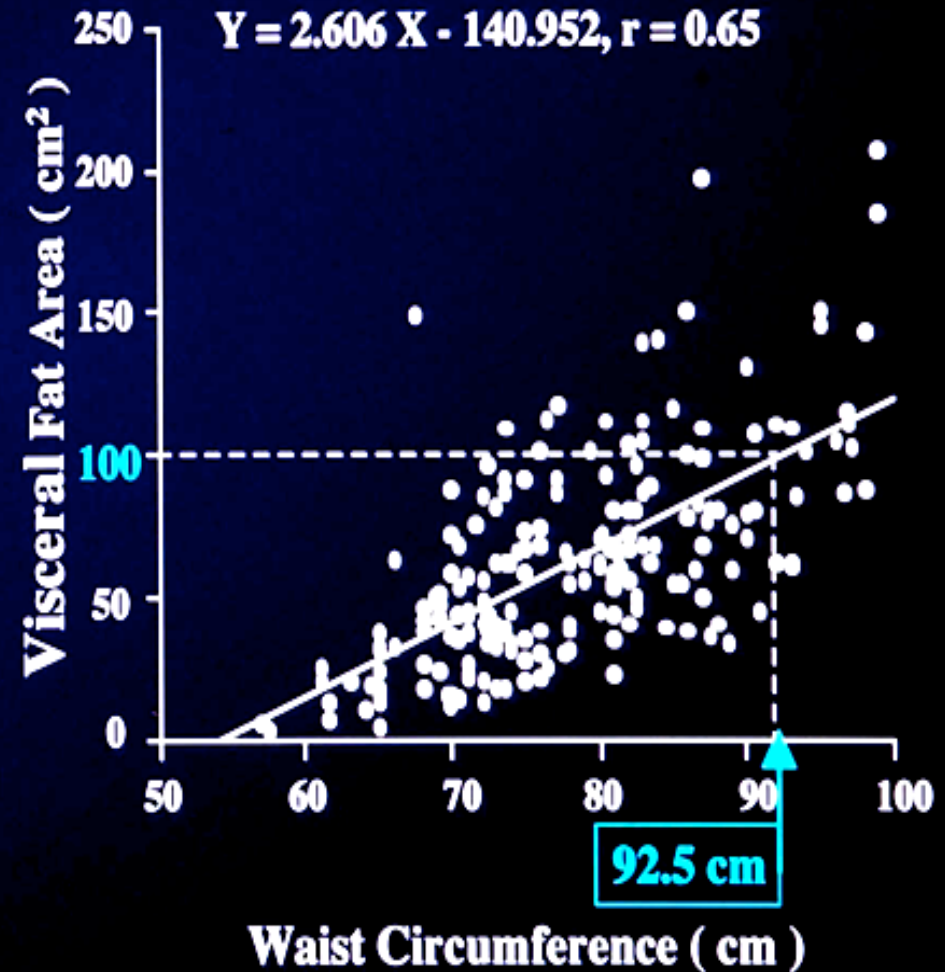


Correlations between Visceral Fat Area and Waist Circumference in Men and Women

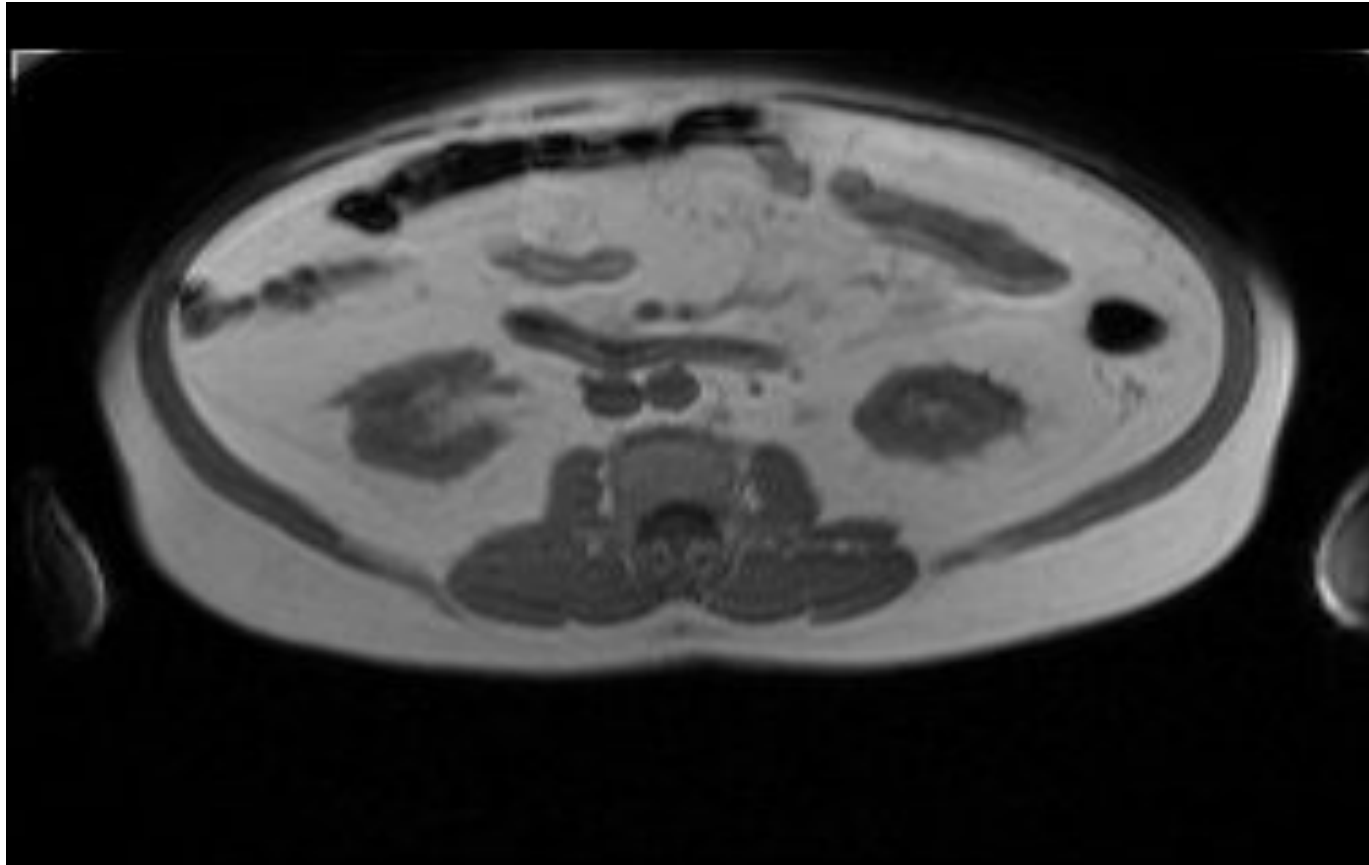
Men



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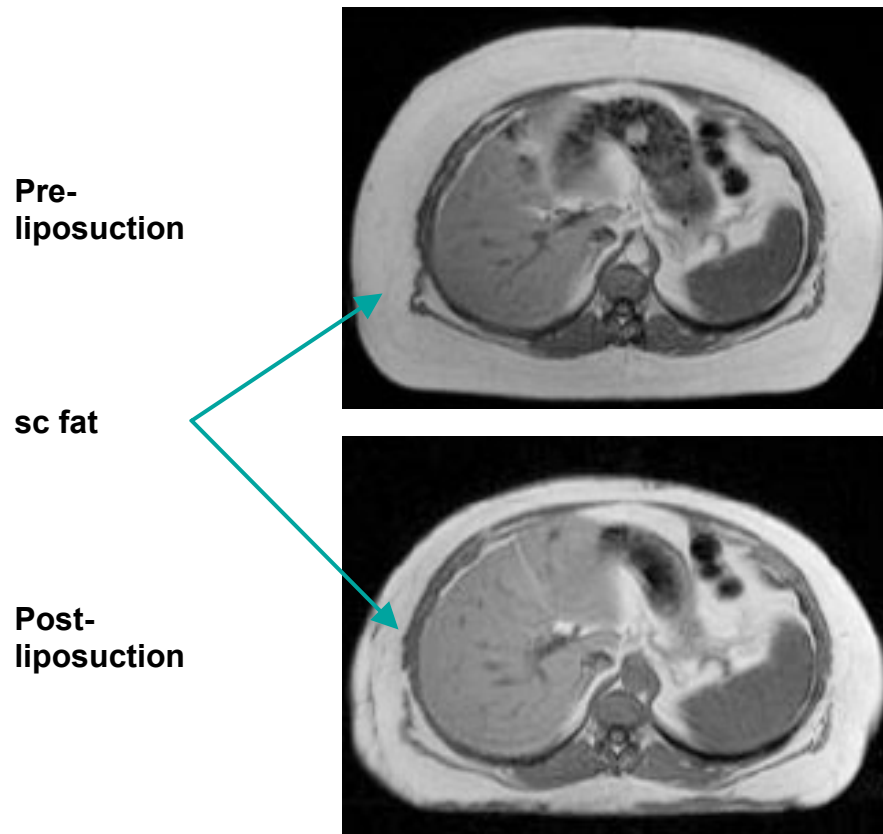


Abdominal (Visceral) Obesity



Neutral effect of liposuction on cardiometabolic risk factors

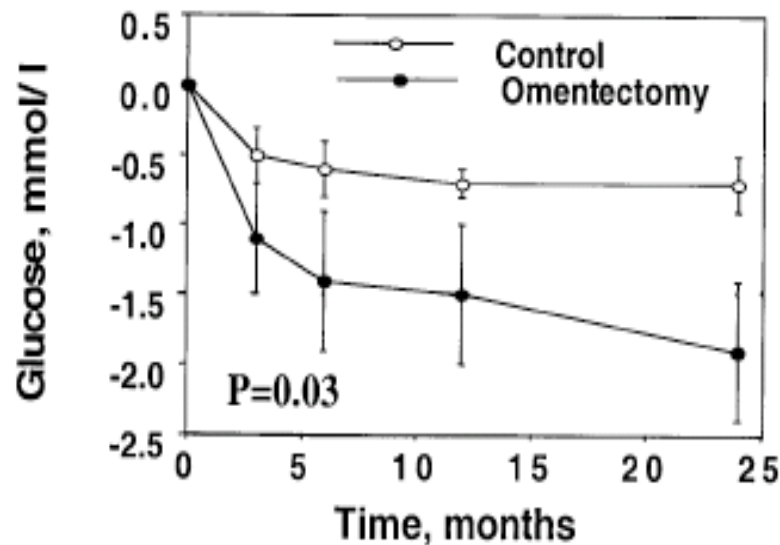
Magnetic resonance images



No significant change at 10-12 weeks

- BP
- Plasma glucose
- Plasma insulin
- Total-C, LDL-C, HDL-C, TG
- Adiponectin
- TNF- α
- IL-6
- CRP

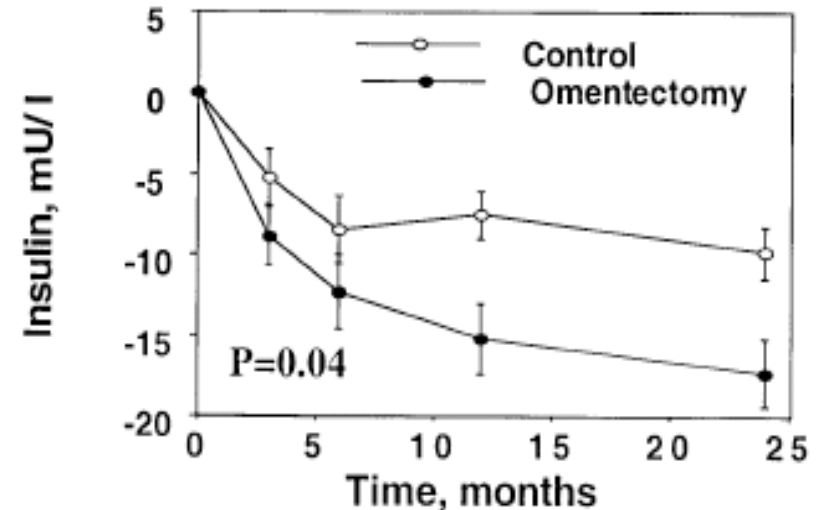
A pilot study of long-term effects of a novel obesity treatment: omentectomy in connection with adjustable gastric banding



Omentectomy:

0.6 ± 0.3 Kg

Δ TBW $0.8 \pm 0.4\%$

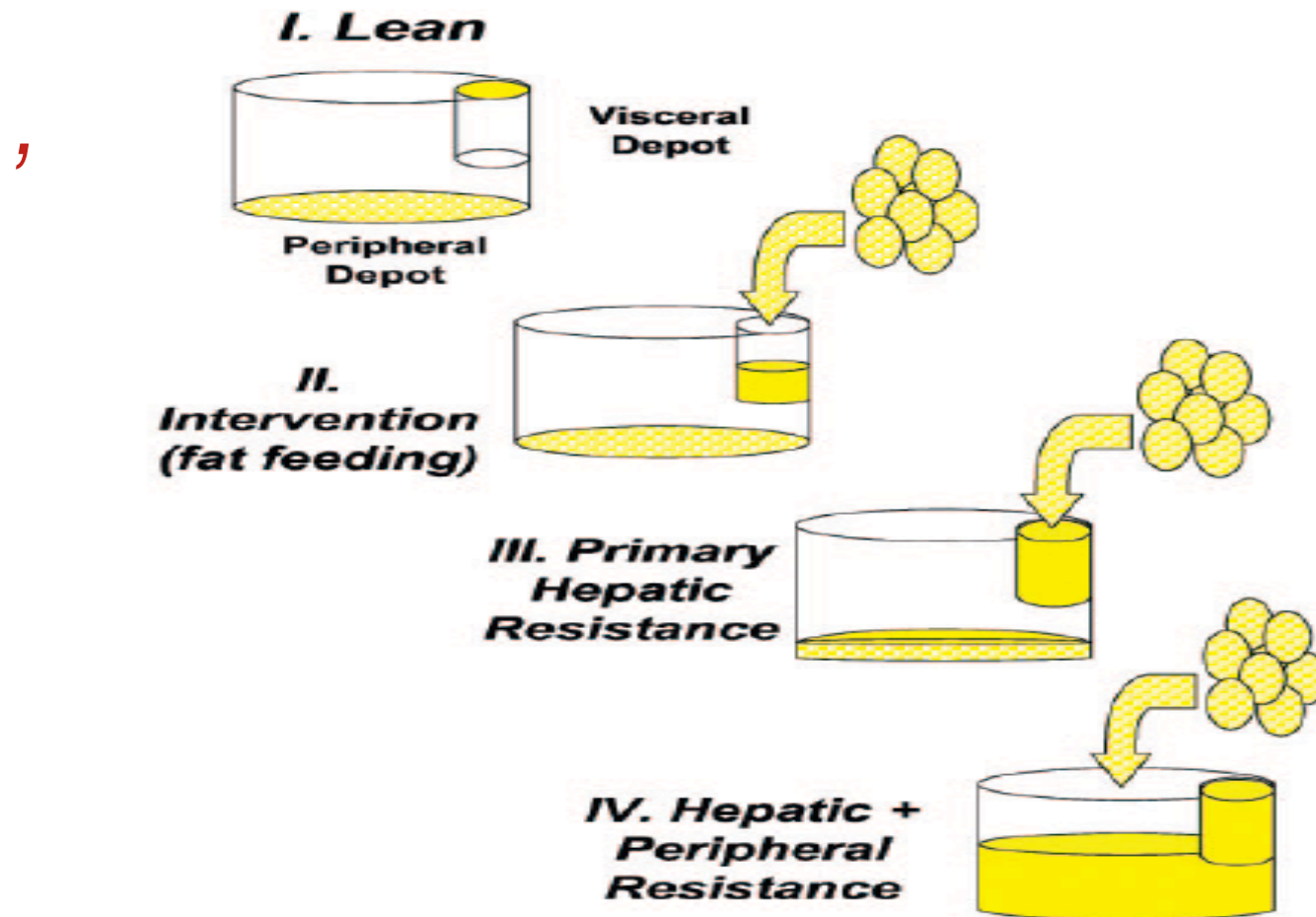


22 M, 28 W

2 Y FOLLOW-UP

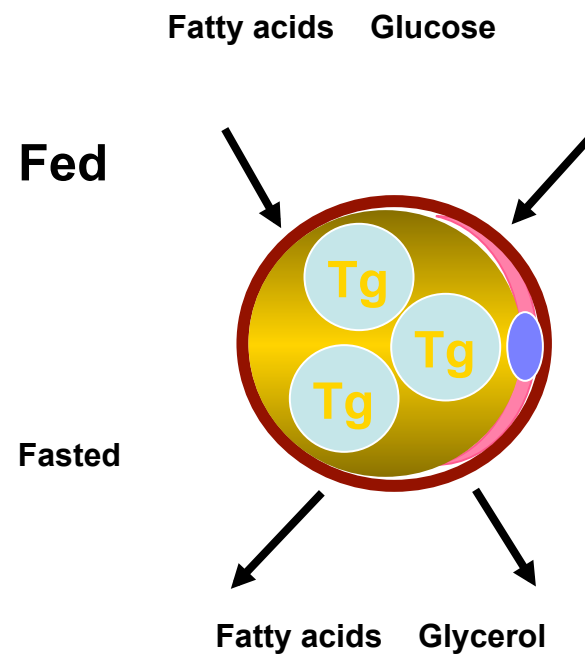
26% drop-out

Why Visceral Fat is Bad: Mechanisms of the Metabolic Syndrome

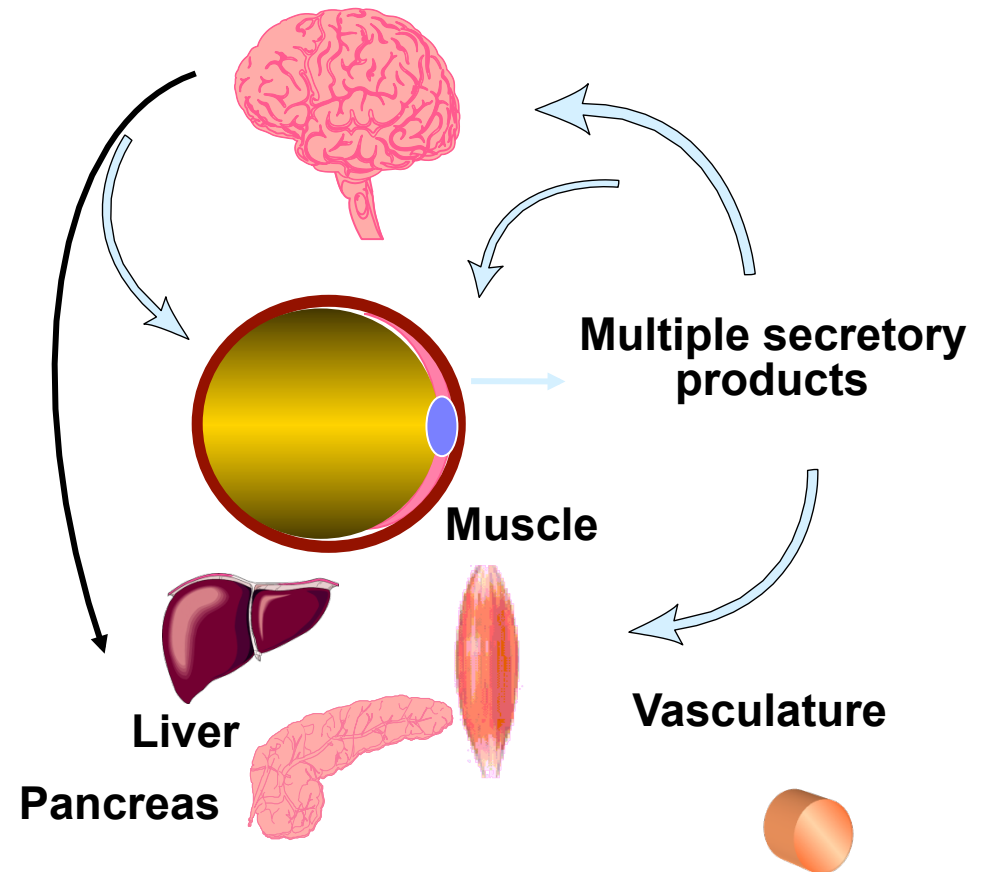


The evolving view of adipose tissue: an endocrine organ

Old View: inert storage depot

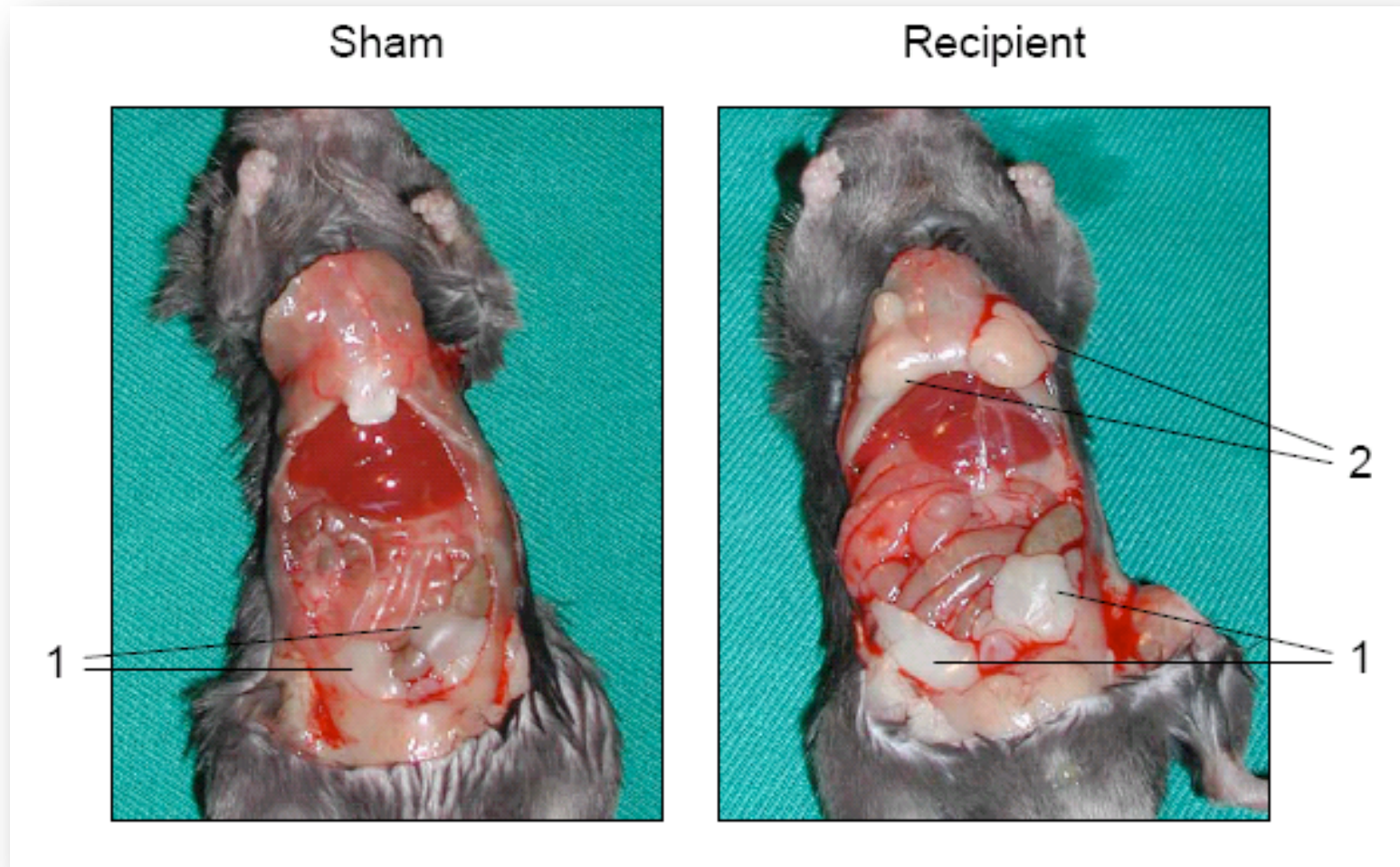


Current View: secretory/endocrine organ

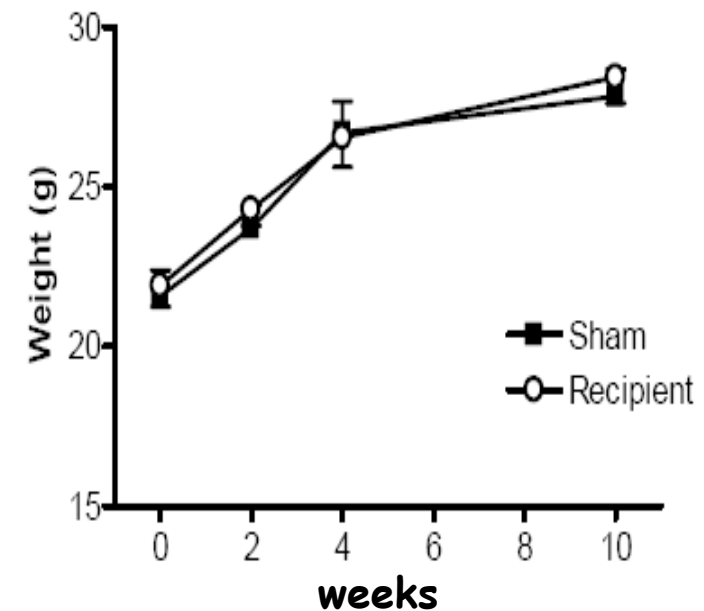
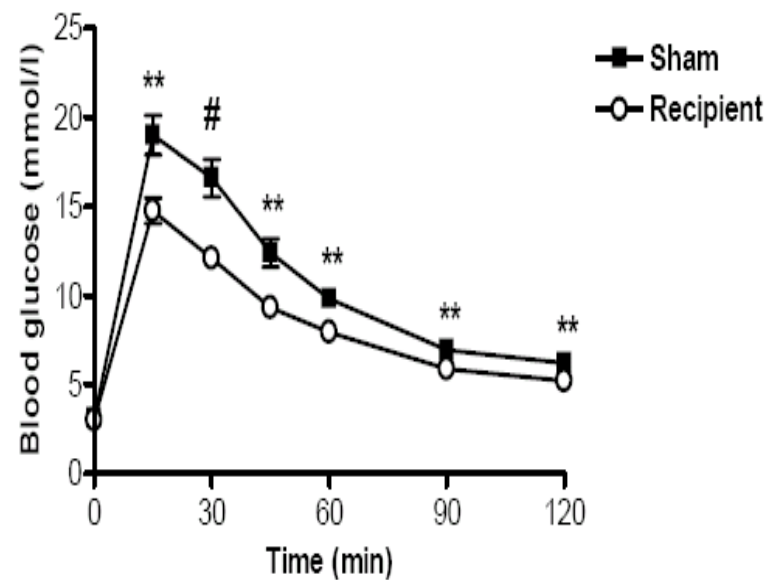


Lyon CJ et al 2003

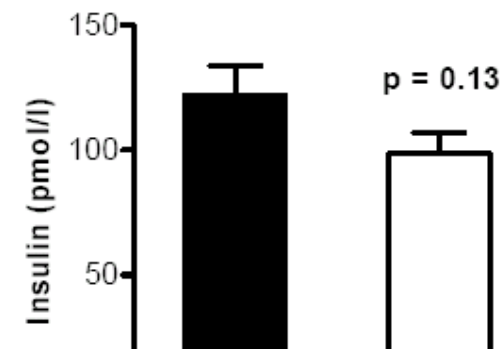
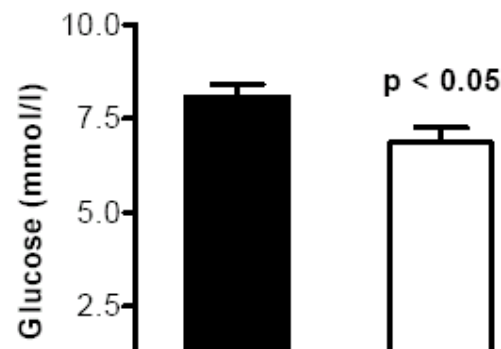
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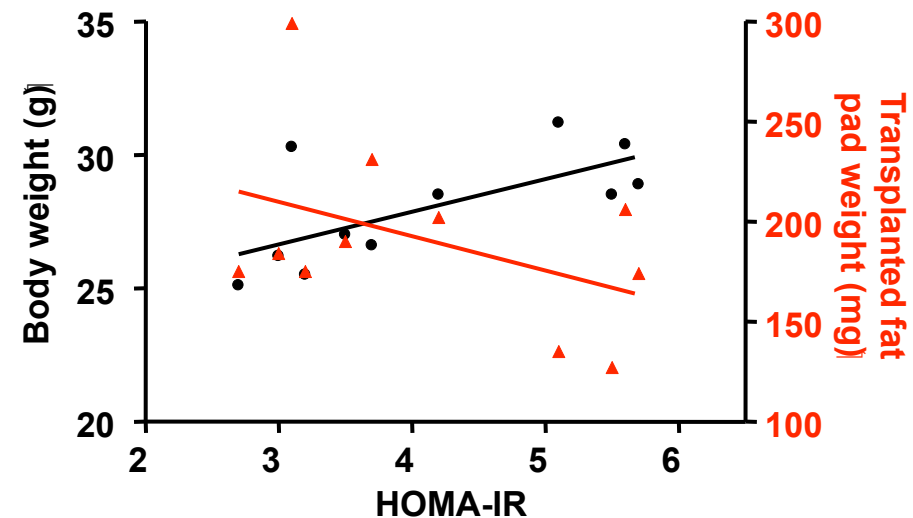
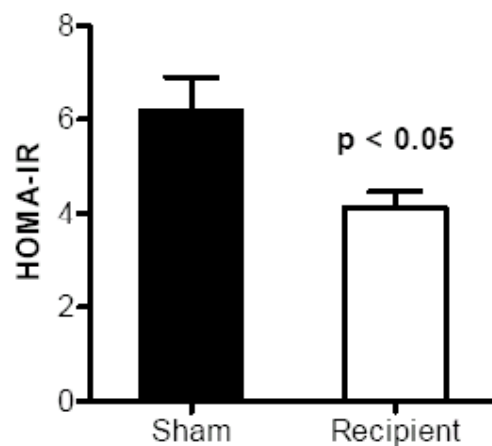
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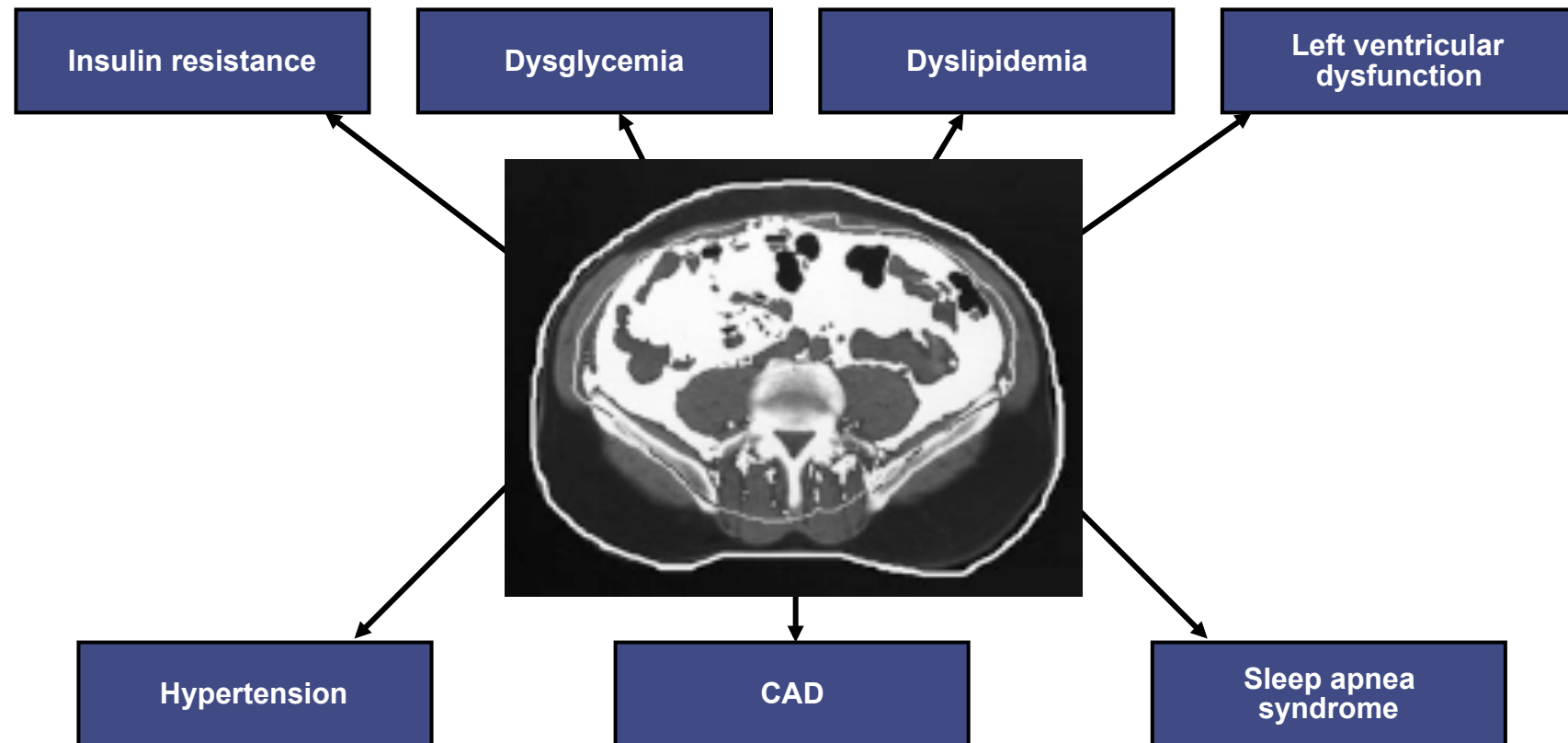
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Implantation of normal abdominal fat mass (VAT) promoted insulin sensitivity.

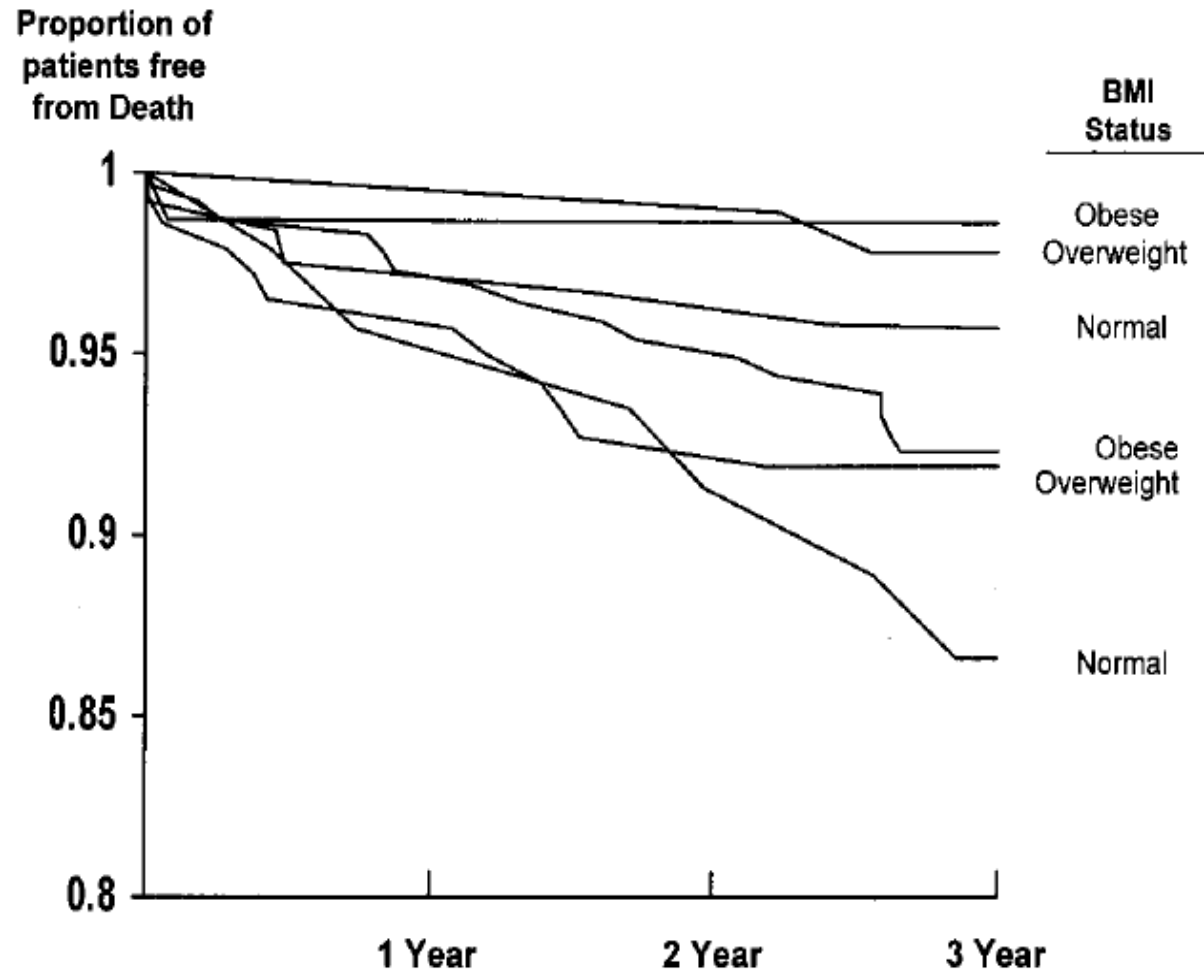


Associations of adiposity with CVD

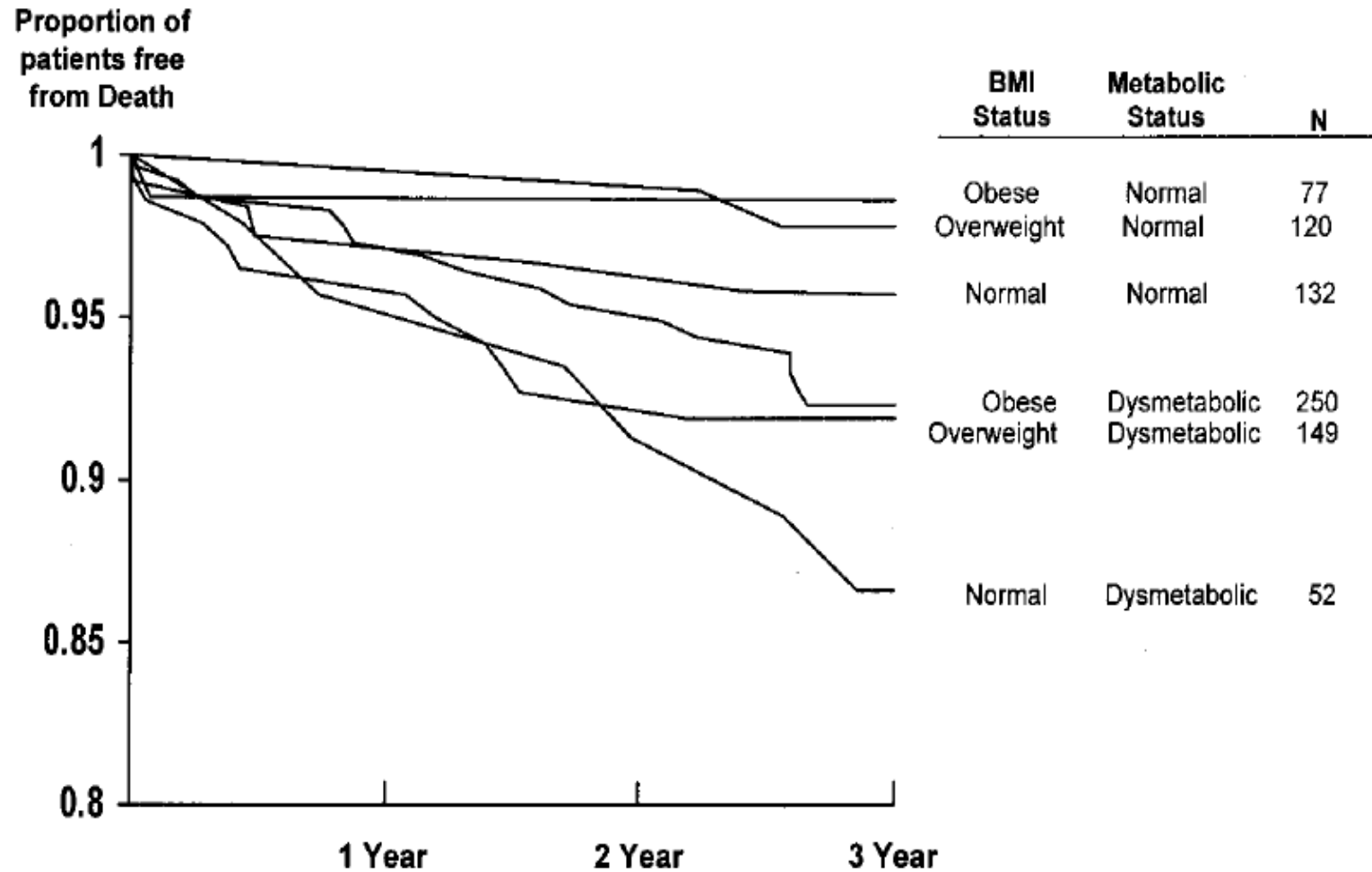


White = visceral fat area (VFA)
Black = subcutaneous (sc) fat

Kaplan-Meier curves of 3-year freedom from death by BMI and metabolic status at study entry. (WISE) study



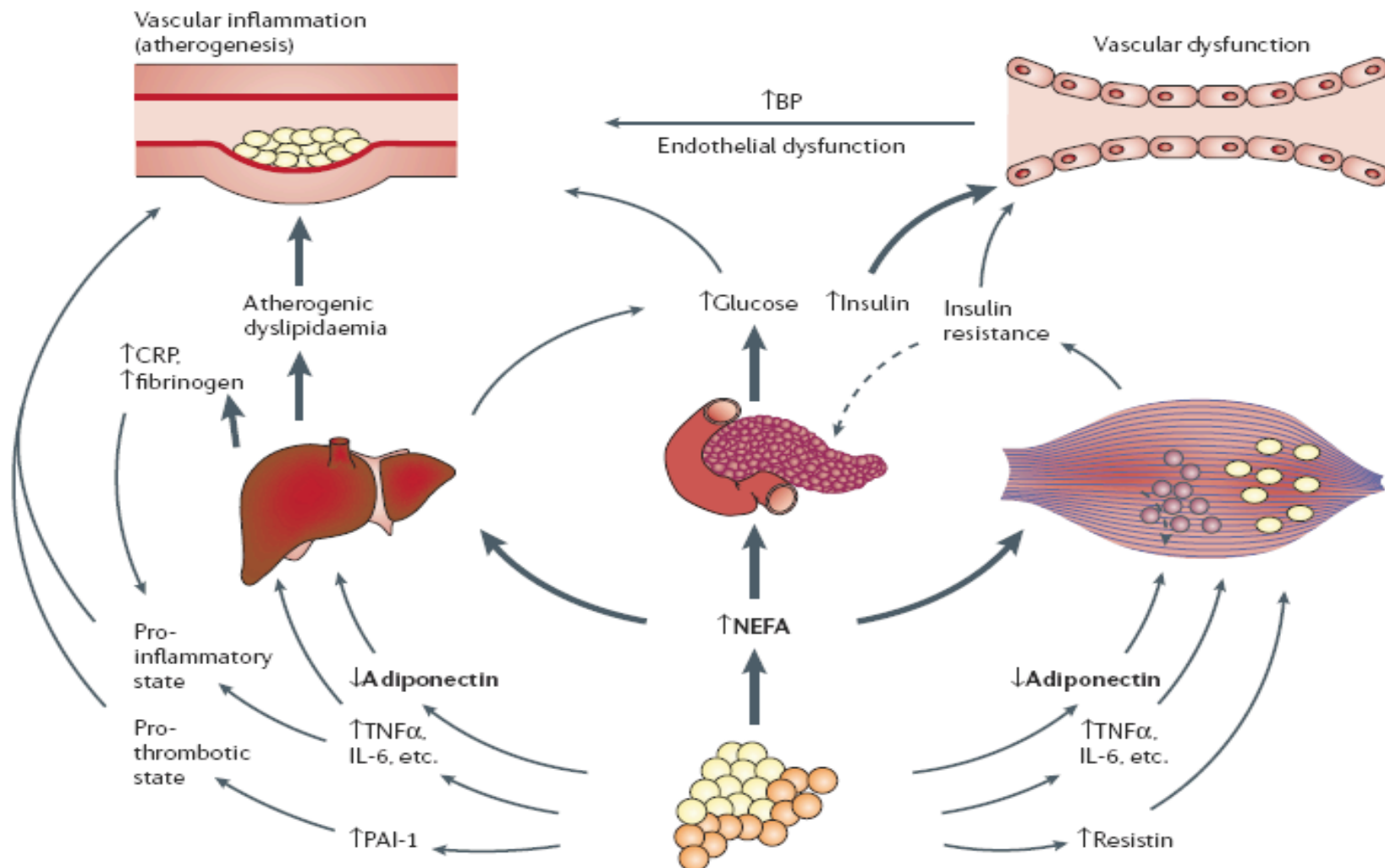
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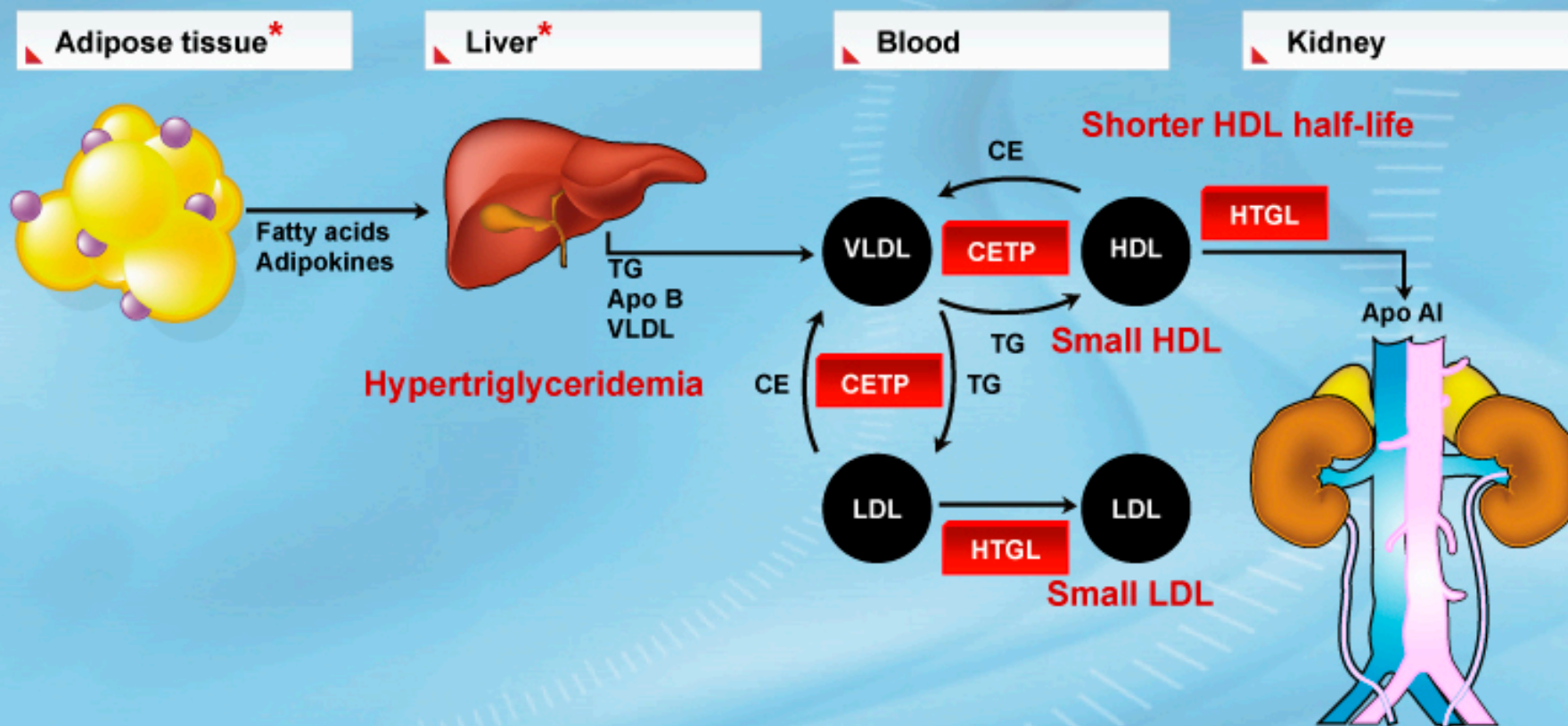
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Obesity and the metabolic syndrome.



HOW INSULIN RESISTANCE AND DYSLIPIDEMIA ARE LINKED



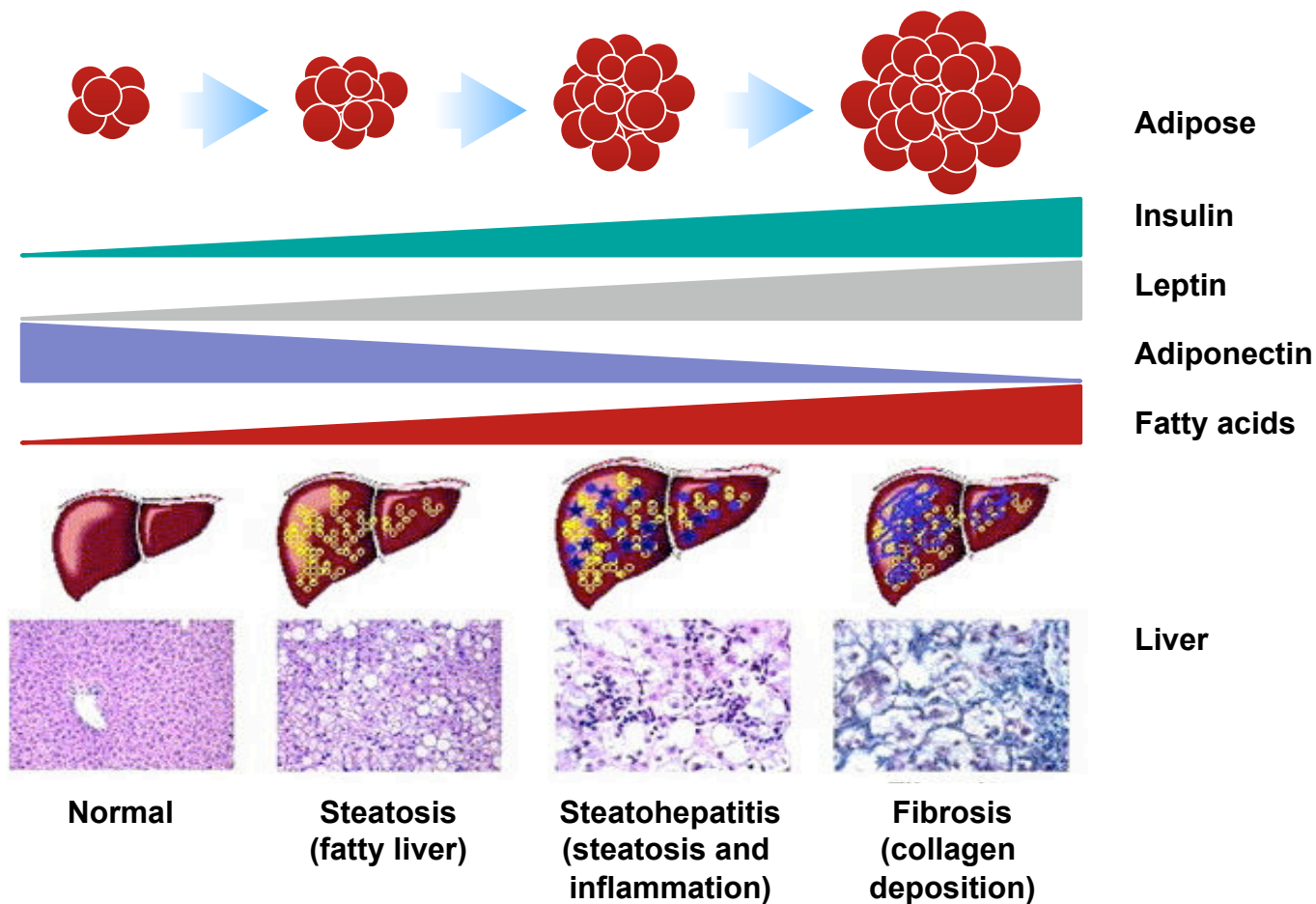
* **Insulin resistance**

Source: International Chair on Cardiometabolic Risk
www.cardiometabolic-risk.org

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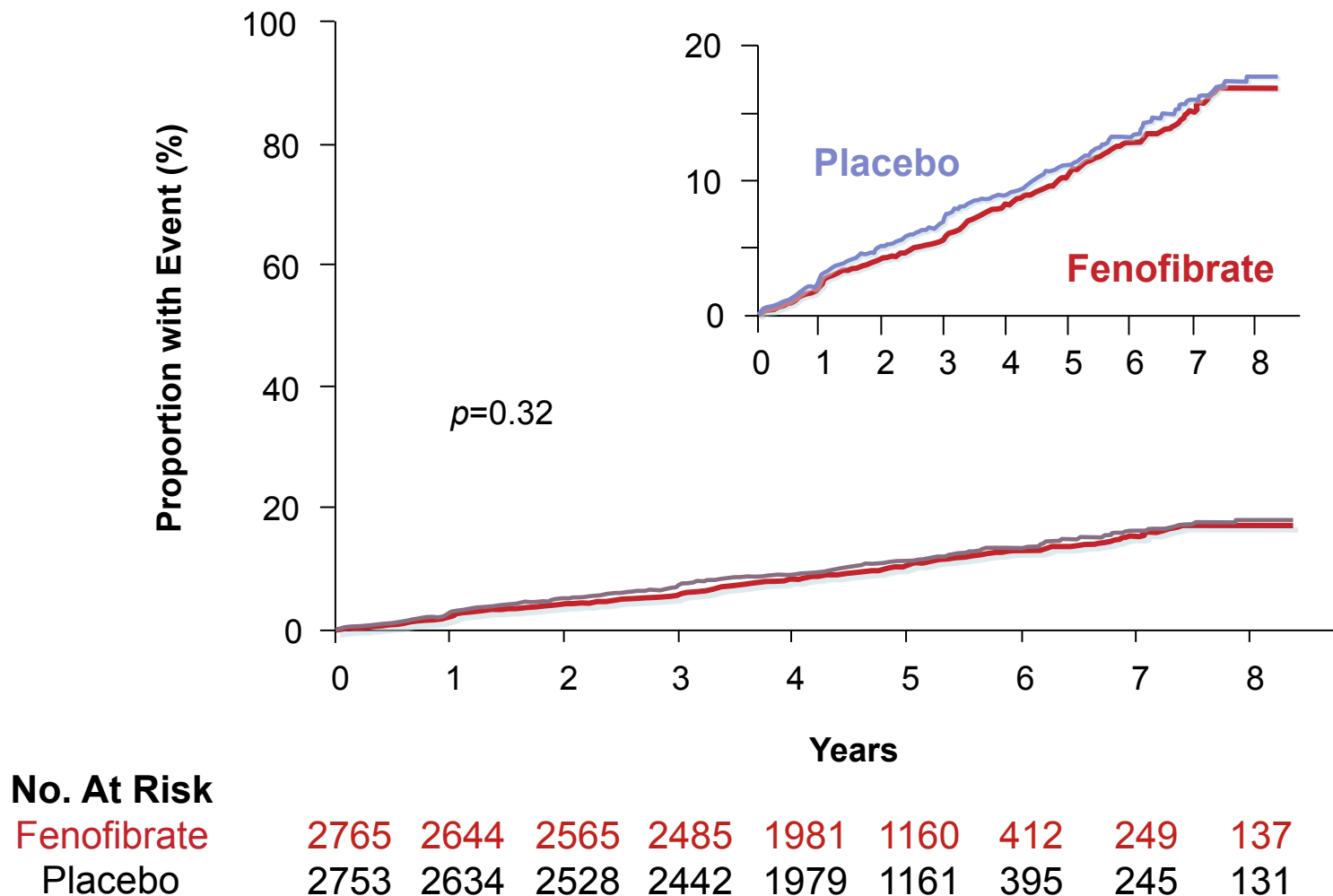
CE = cholesteryl ester
 CETP = cholesteryl ester transfer protein
 HTGL = hepatic triglyceride lipase
 TG = triglyceride

Adiposity in the development of NASH



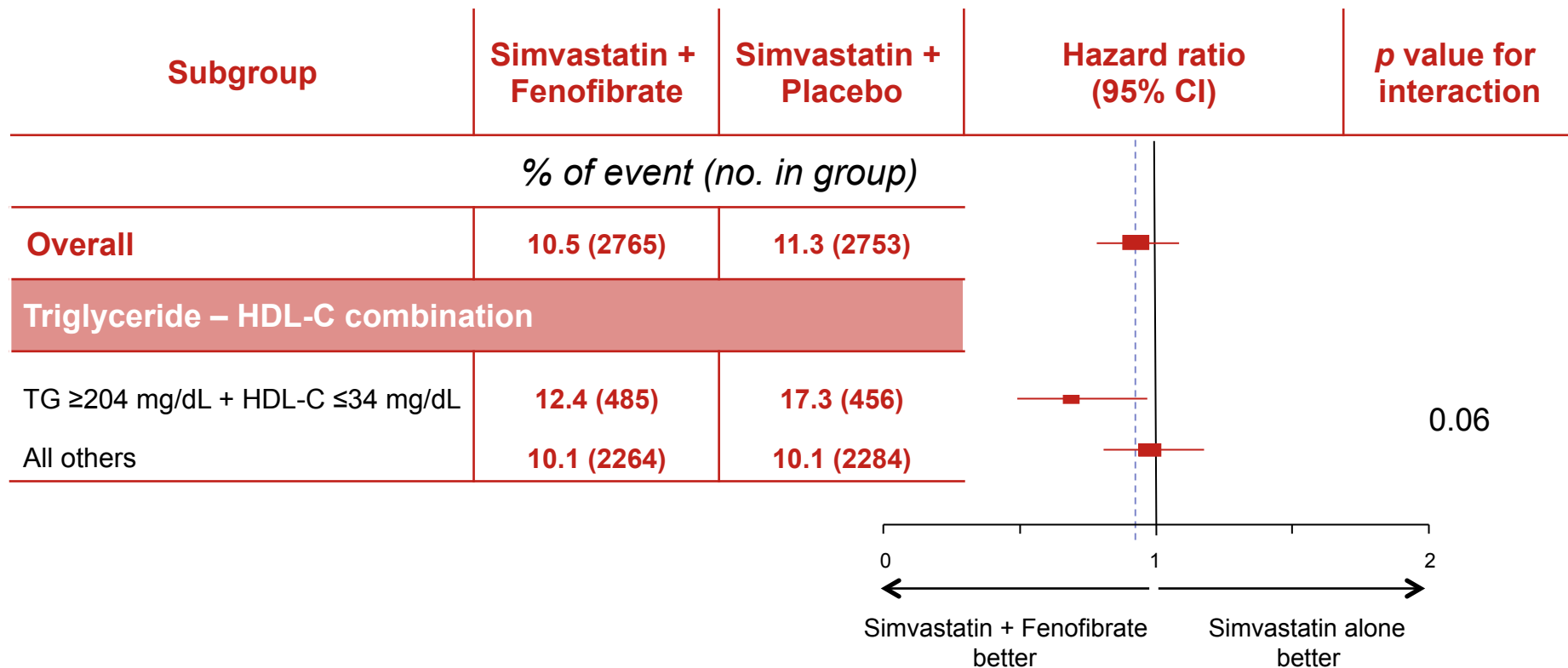
ACCORD: Simva with or without fenofibrate Lipid primary macrovascular outcome

(CV death + nonfatal MI + nonfatal stroke)



ACCORD Lipid

31% reduction in events in patients with atherogenic dyslipidemia



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- 20 patients with type 2 diabetes and atherogenic dyslipidemia needed to be treated for 5 years to prevent one CV event

ACCORD Lipid

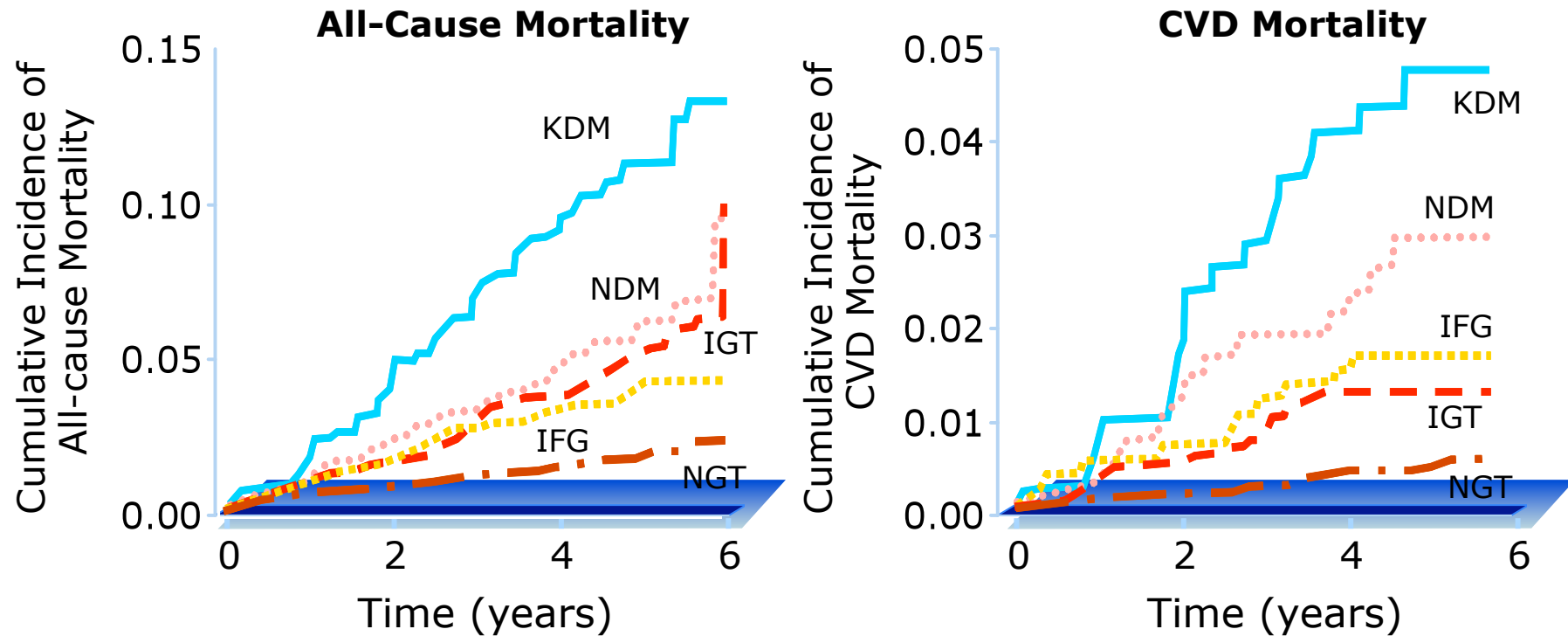
Comparison of subgroup results with those from prior landmark trials with fibrates

Trial (drug)	Primary endpoint: entire cohort (<i>p</i> value)	Lipid subgroup criterion	Primary endpoint: subgroup (<i>p</i> value)
HHS (gemfibrozil)	-34% (0.02)	TG > 200 mg/dL LDL-C/HDL-C > 5.0	Post-hoc -71% (0.005)
BIP (bezafibrate)	-7.3% (0.24)	TG ≥ 200 mg/dL	Post-hoc -39.5% (0.02)
FIELD (fenofibrate)	-11% (0.16)	TG ≥ 204 mg/dL HDL-C < 42 mg/dL	Post-hoc -27% (0.005)
ACCORD (fenofibrate)	-8% (0.32)	TG ≥ 204 mg/dL HDL-C ≤ 34 mg/dL	Prespecified -31%

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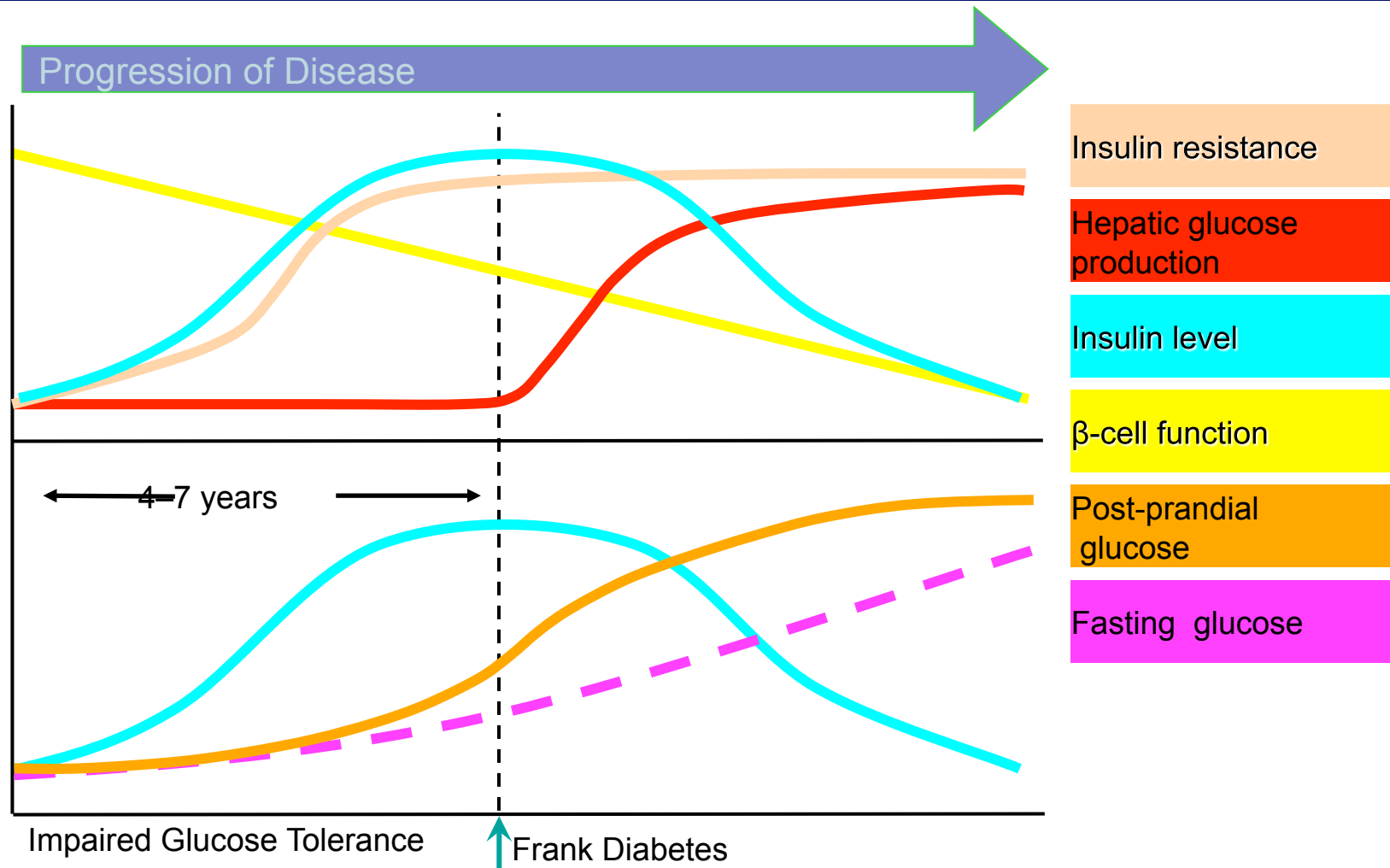
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Unadjusted Mortality According to Glucose Metabolism: Data from AusDiab



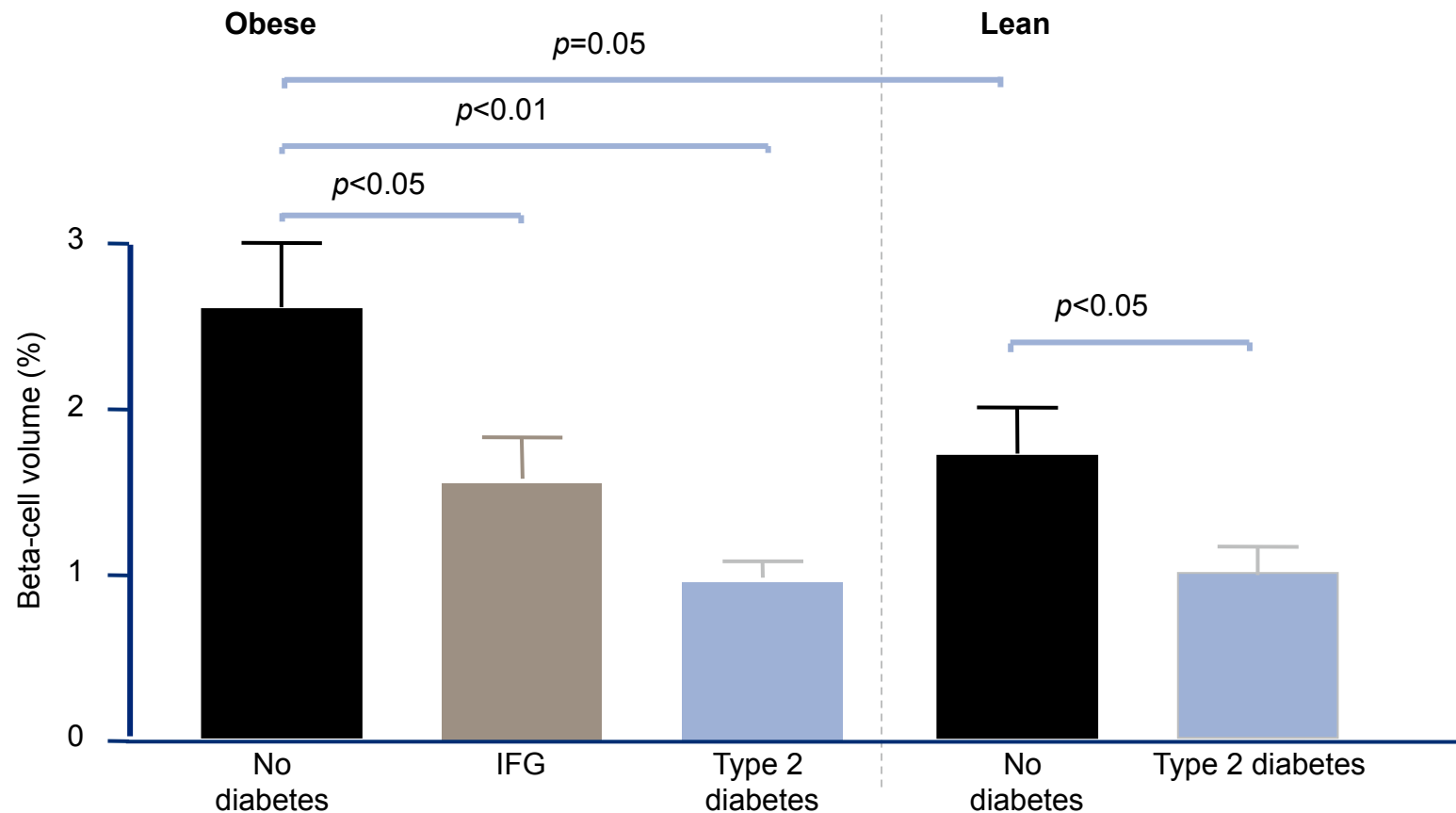
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Progression of Disease



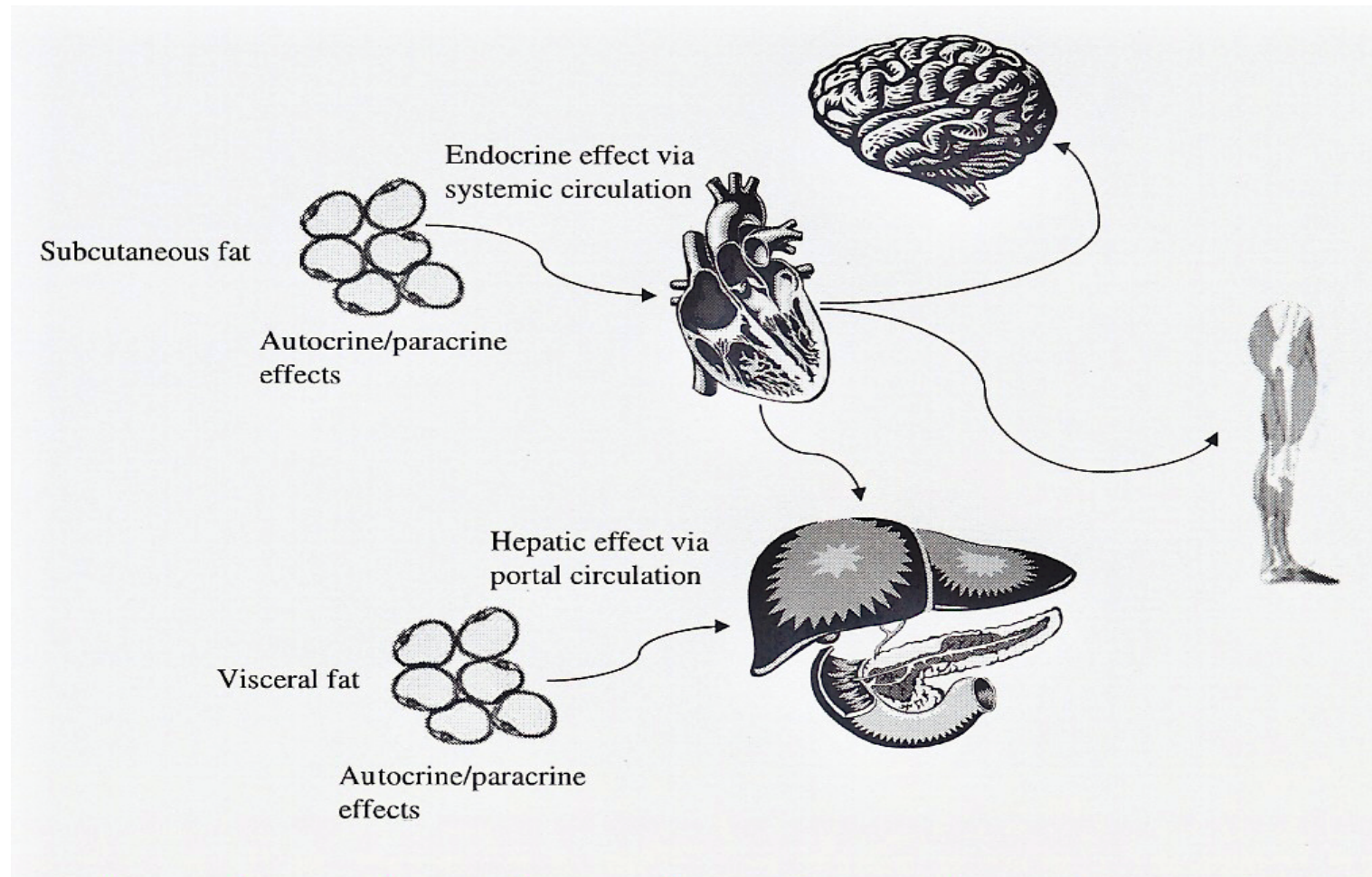
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In humans, beta-cell mass increases with obesity, decreases with type 2 diabetes

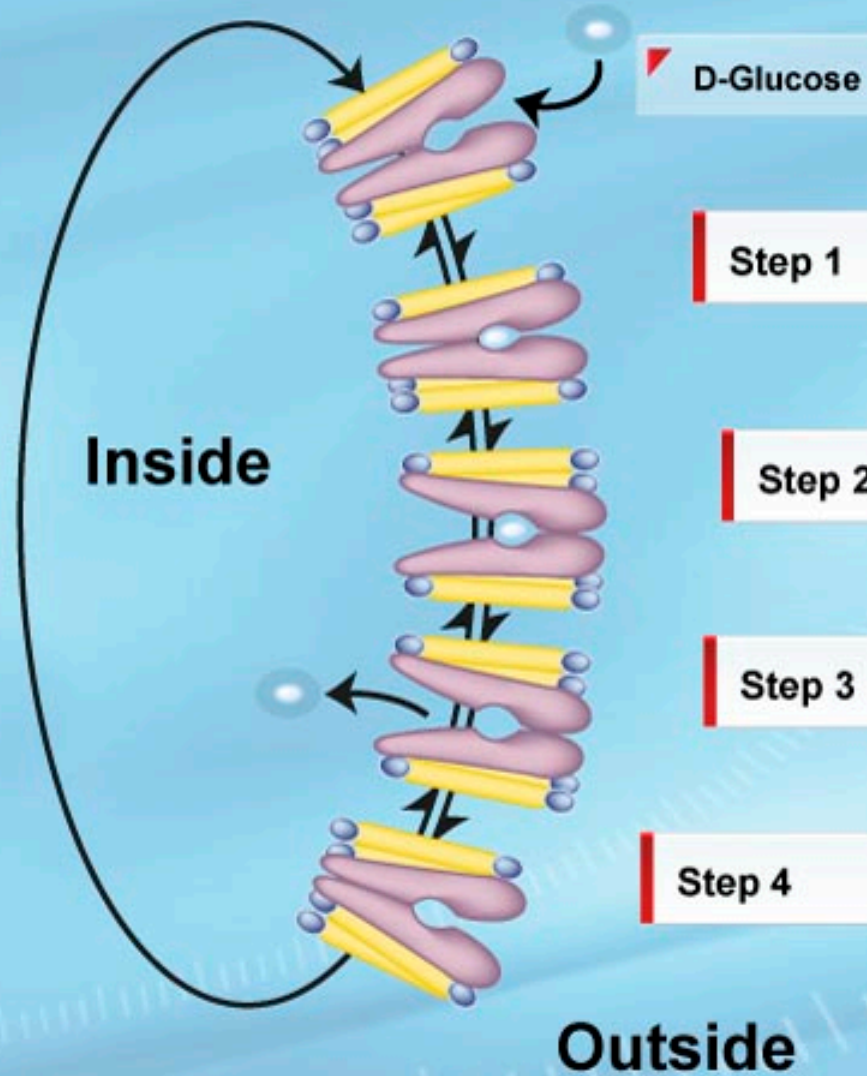


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IFG, impaired fasting glucose. Data are mean \pm SE

Adipose tissue distribution and risk of metabolic disease



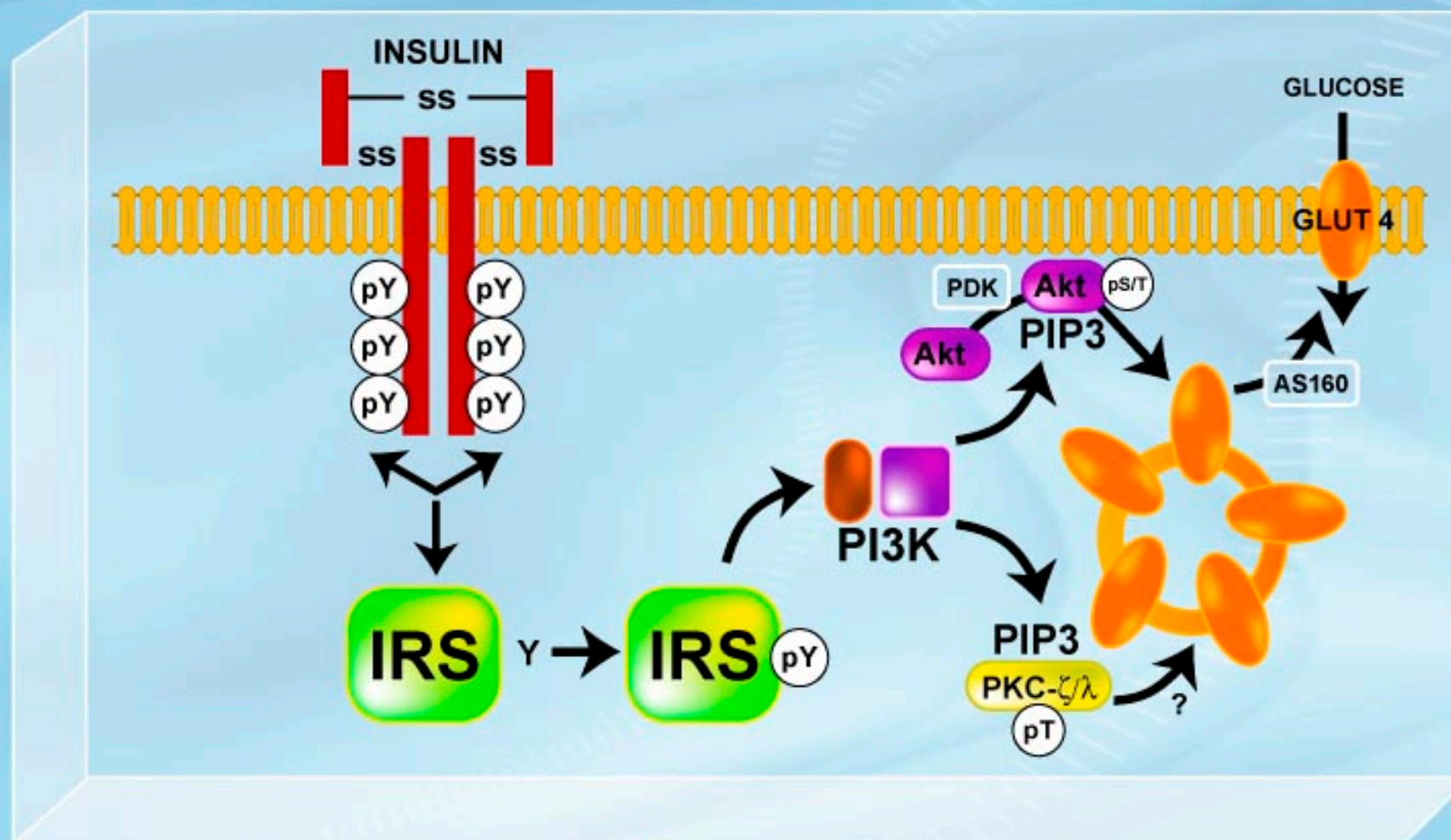
GLUCOSE TRANSPORTERS (GLUT)



Organ	Transporter
Blood-brain barrier	GLUT 1
Brain	GLUT 3
Intestine	GLUT 5
Liver	GLUT 2
Adipose tissue	GLUT 4* (GLUT 1)
Muscle	GLUT 4* (GLUT 1)
Pancreas	GLUT 2

* Insulin-sensitive

SIMPLIFIED SCHEME OF INSULIN ACTION ON GLUCOSE TRANSPORT



Legend

Akt= protein kinase

AS160 = Akt substrate of 160 kDa

GLUT = glucose transporter

IRS = insulin receptor substrate-1/2

PDK = phosphoinositide-dependent protein kinase

PIP3 = phosphatidylinositol 3 triphosphate

PI3K= phosphatidylinositol [3,4,5] kinase

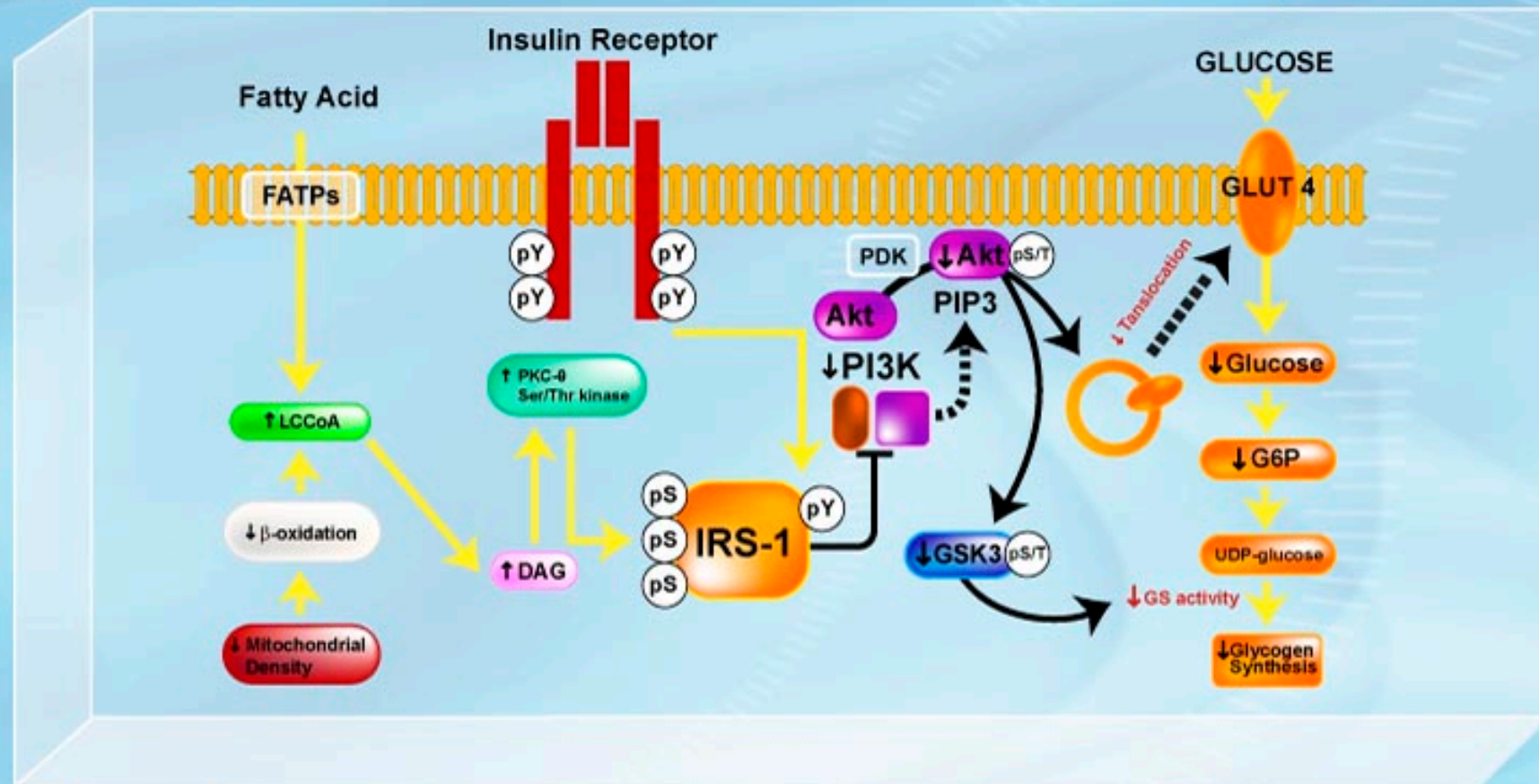
PKC = protein kinase C

pS/T = serine/threonine phosphorylation

pT = threonine phosphorylation

pY = tyrosine phosphorylation

MECHANISM OF FATTY ACID-INDUCED INSULIN RESISTANCE IN SKELETAL MUSCLE



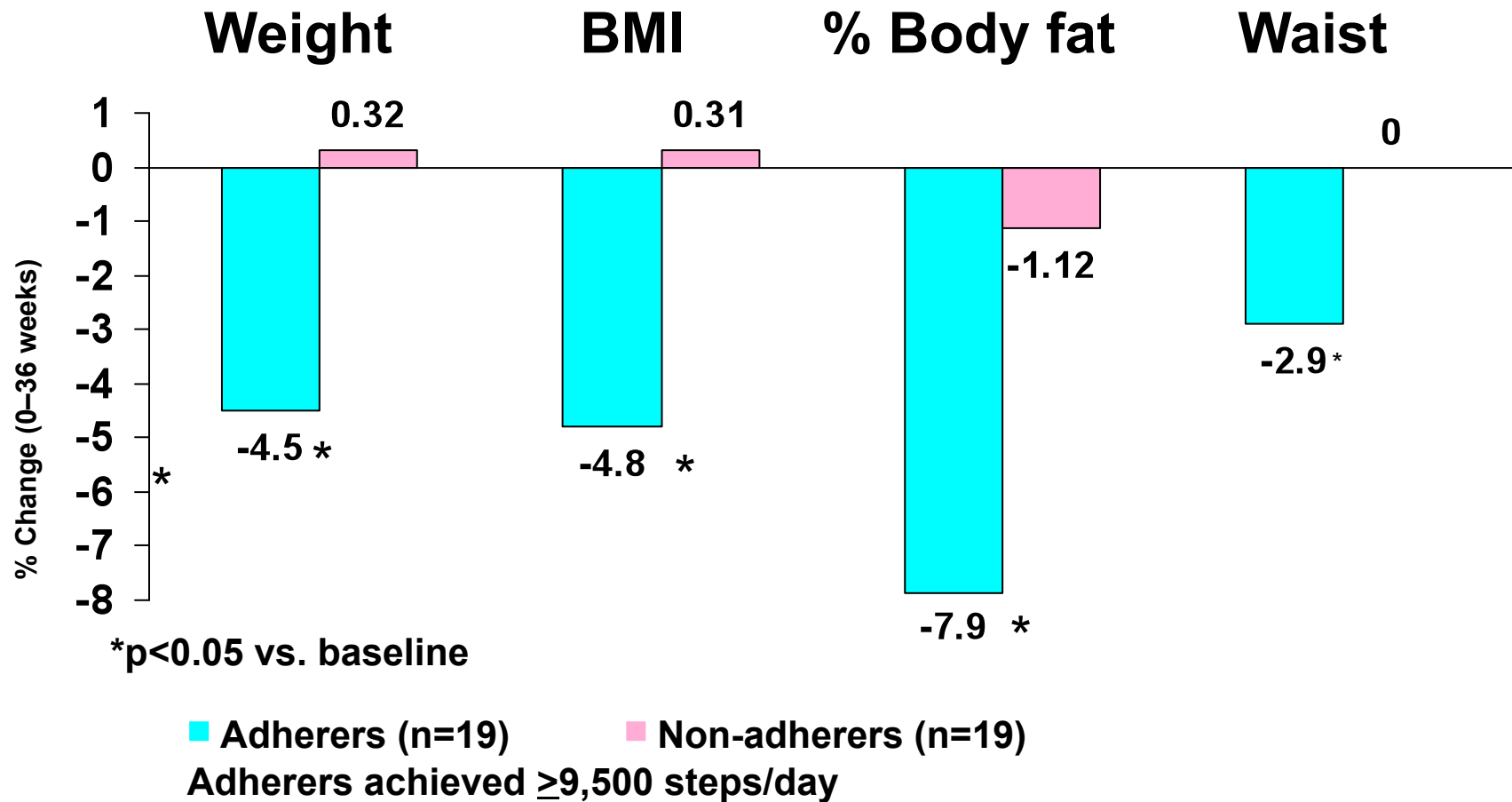
Legend

Akt = protein kinase B
DAG = diacylglycerol
FATPs = fatty acid transport proteins
G6P = glucose 6-phosphate
GLUT = glucose transporter
GS = glycogen synthase

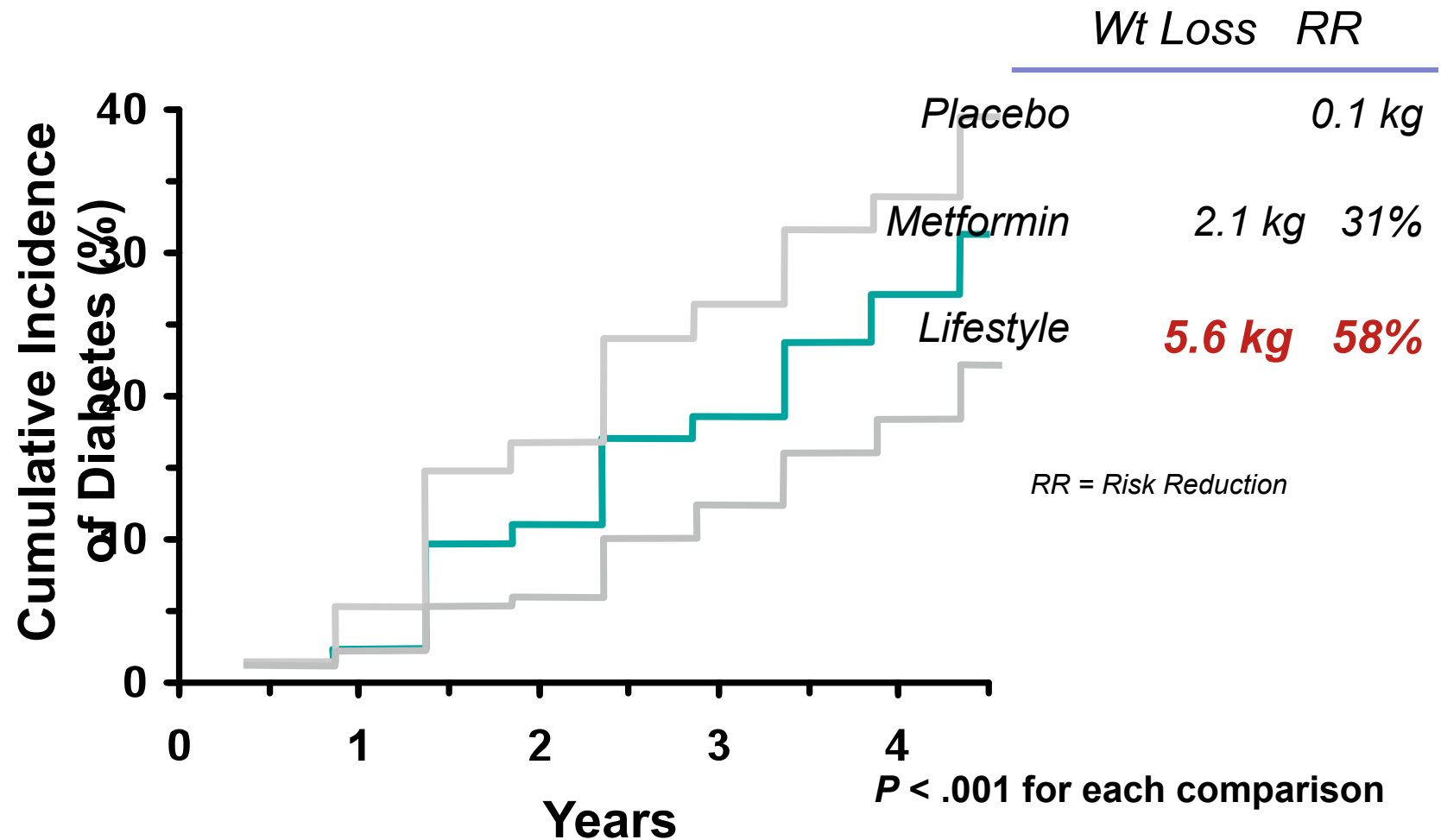
GSK3 = glycogen synthase kinase-3
IRS-1 = insulin receptor substrate-1
LCCoA = long-chain acylcoenzyme A
PDK = phosphoinositide-dependent protein kinase
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Ser/Thr = serine/threonine
UDP = uridine diphosphate glucose

Benefits of a 36-week 10,000 steps per day exercise programme

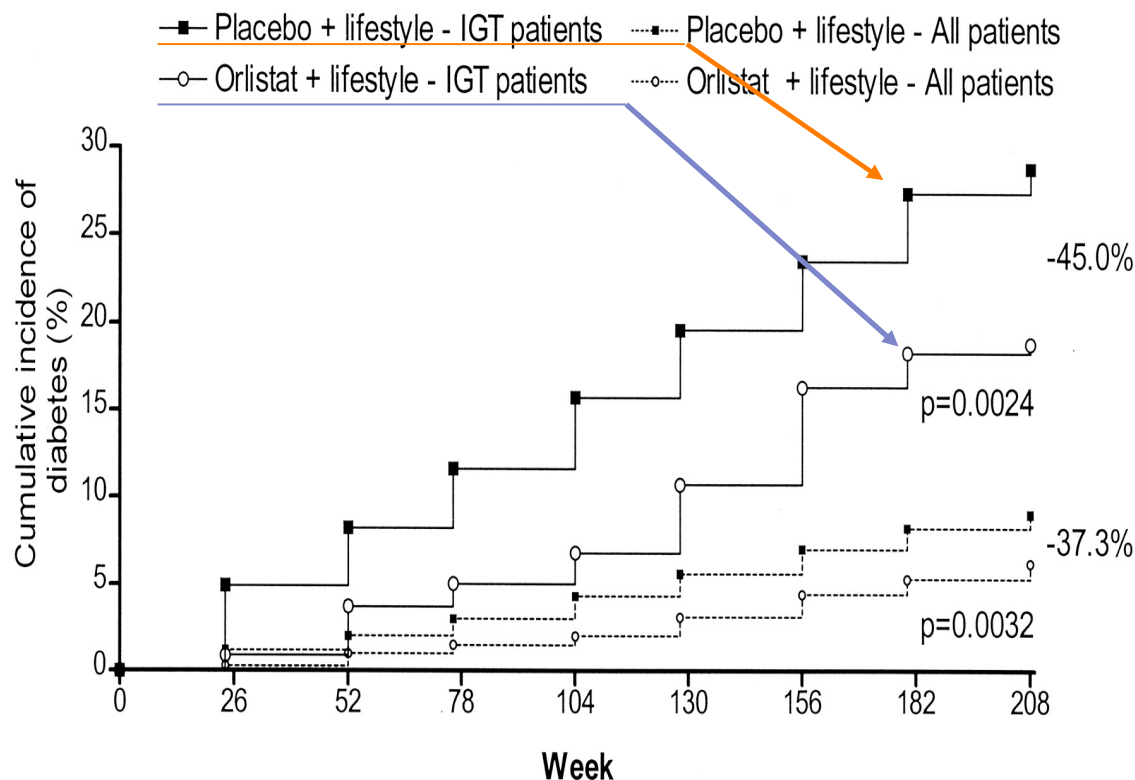


Modest Weight Loss Reduces the Incidence of New-Onset Diabetes In An At-Risk Population



4 year long RCT of orlistat as an adjunct to lifestyle for the prevention of type 2 diabetes in obese at-risk patient

Weight loss with orlistat+lifestyle reduced the risk of type 2 diabetes more than lifestyle alone



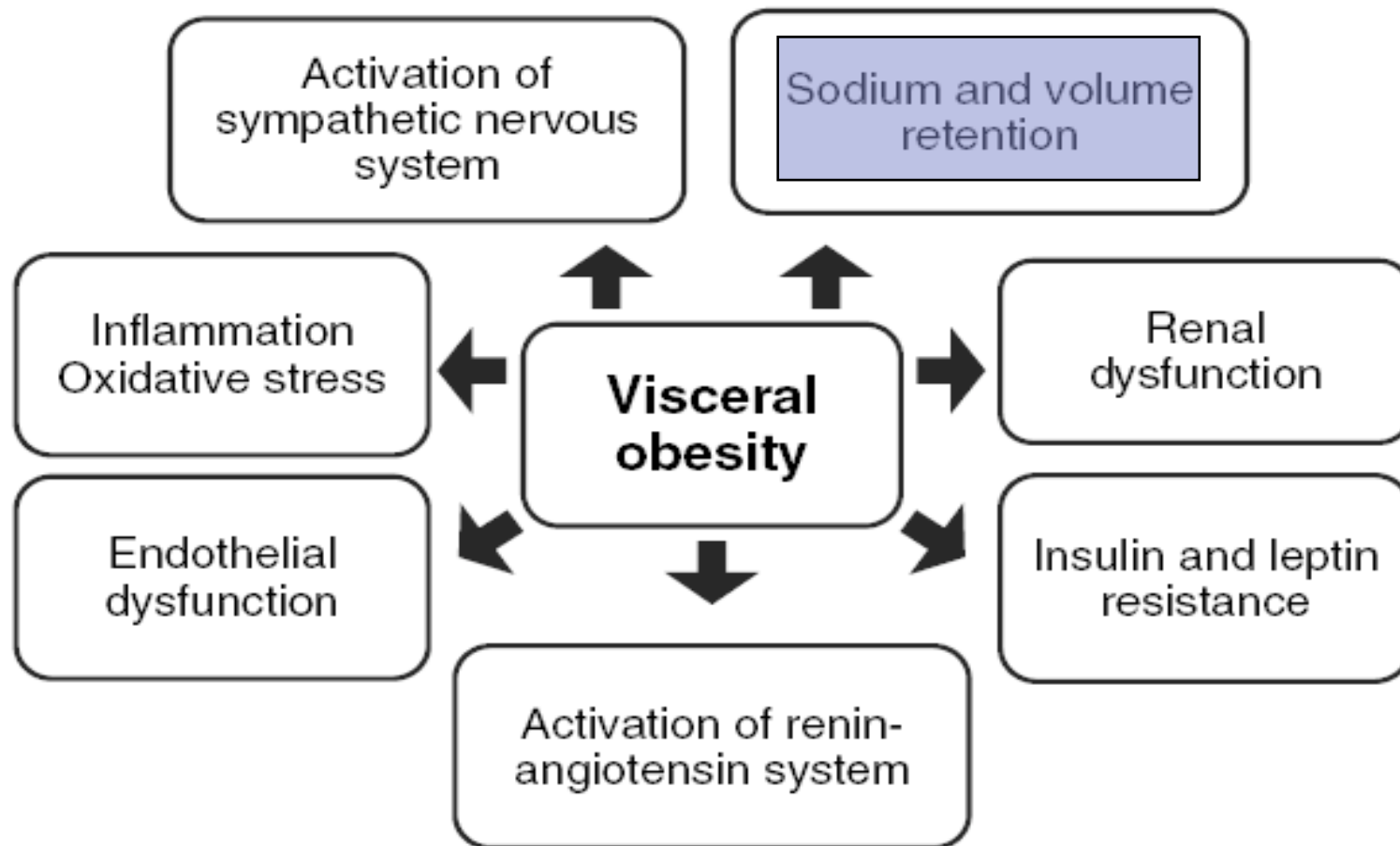
“DPP-like”
intervention

Result
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Metabolic Syndrome

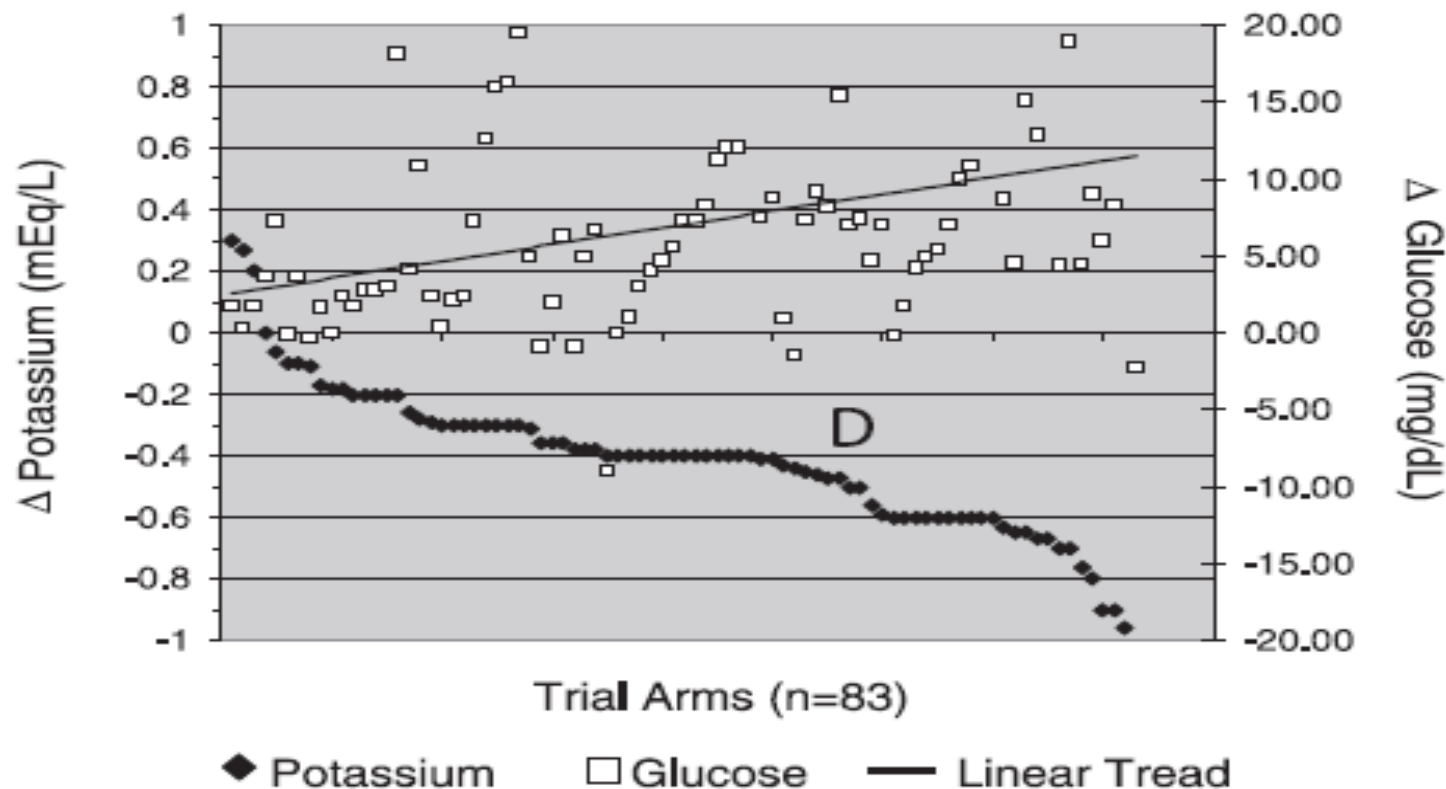
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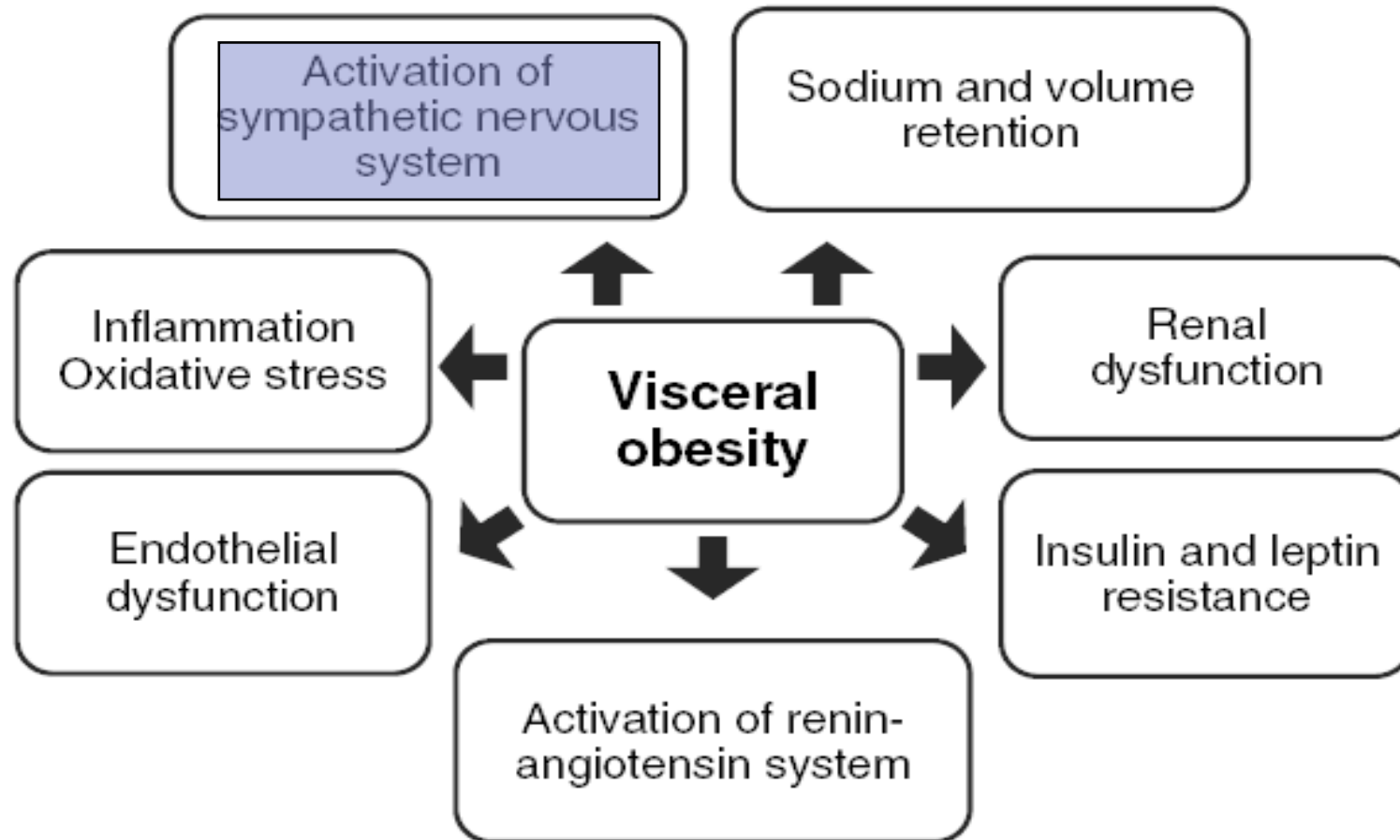


Thiazide Diuretics, Potassium, and the Development of Diabetes

A Quantitative Review



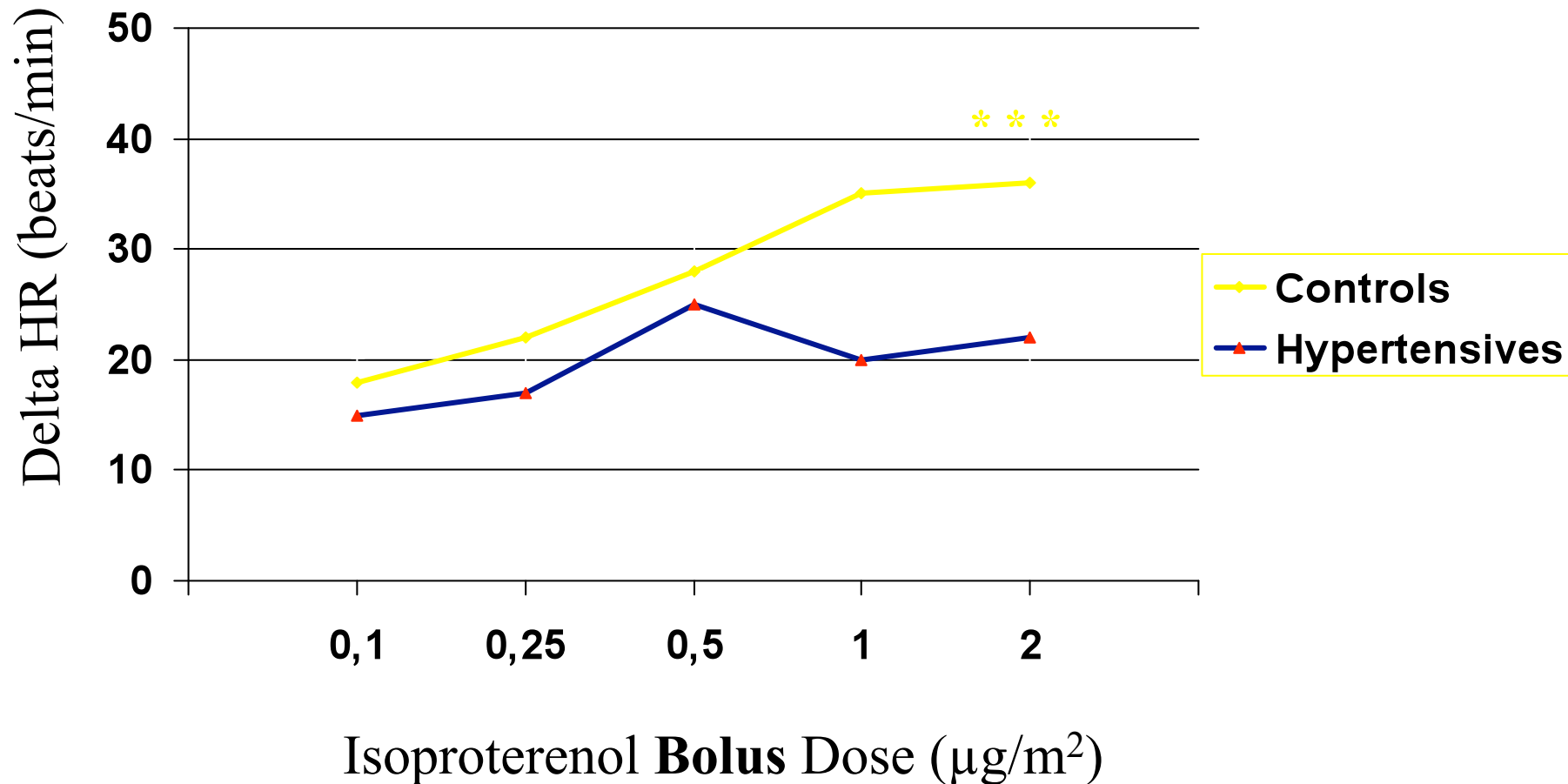
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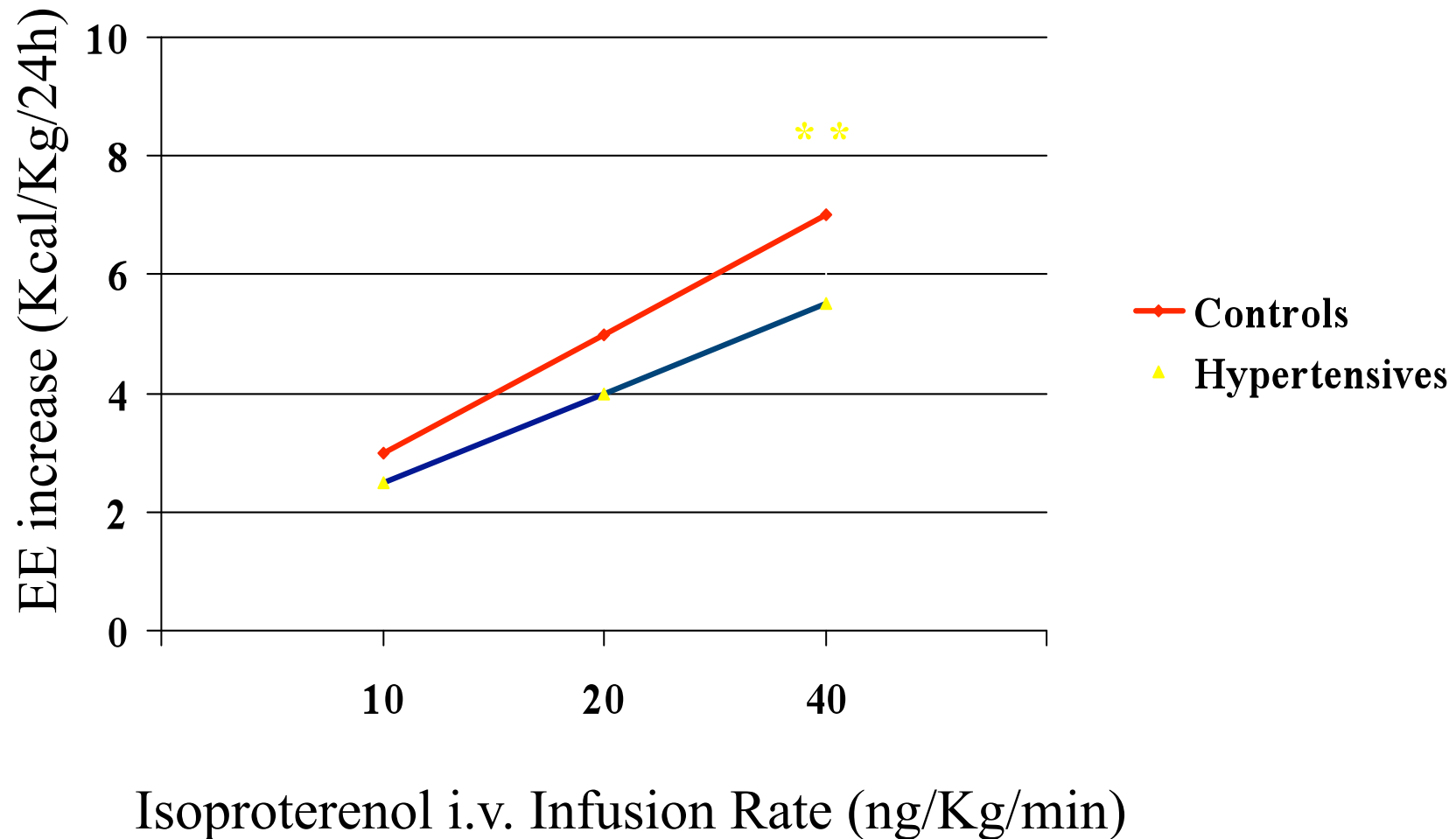
HYPOTHESIS

If in addition to cardiovascular responses, the metabolic responses were also decreased in hypertension, the patient's ability to dissipate calories would be diminished and they would gain more weight.

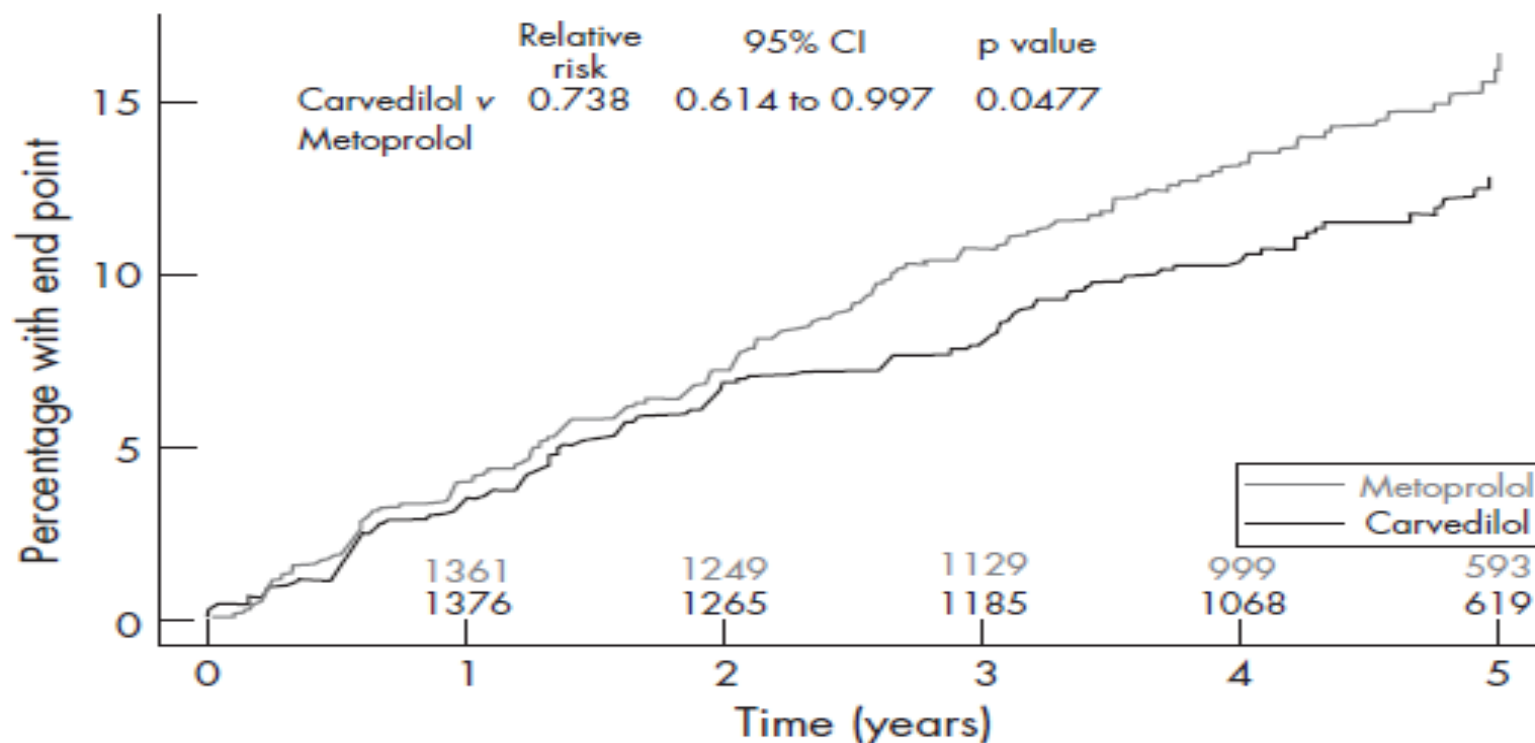
Heart rate response to isoproterenol bolus is decreased in hypertension



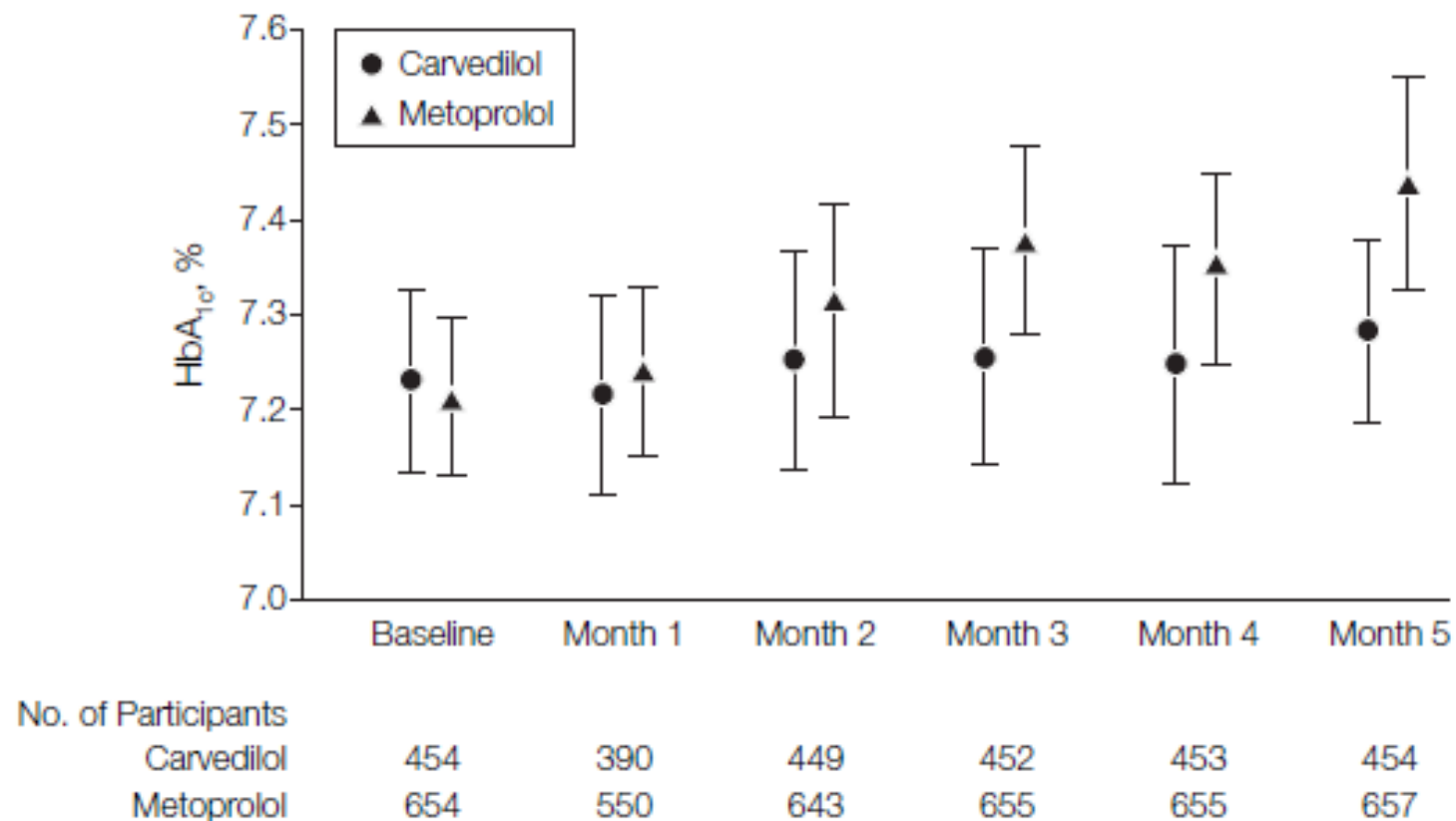
Energy expenditure response to isoproterenol is decreased in hypertension.



Effects of metoprolol and carvedilol on pre-existing and new onset diabetes in patients with chronic heart failure: data from the Carvedilol Or Metoprolol European Trial (COMET)



Metabolic Effects of Carvedilol vs Metoprolol in Patients With Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Hypertension

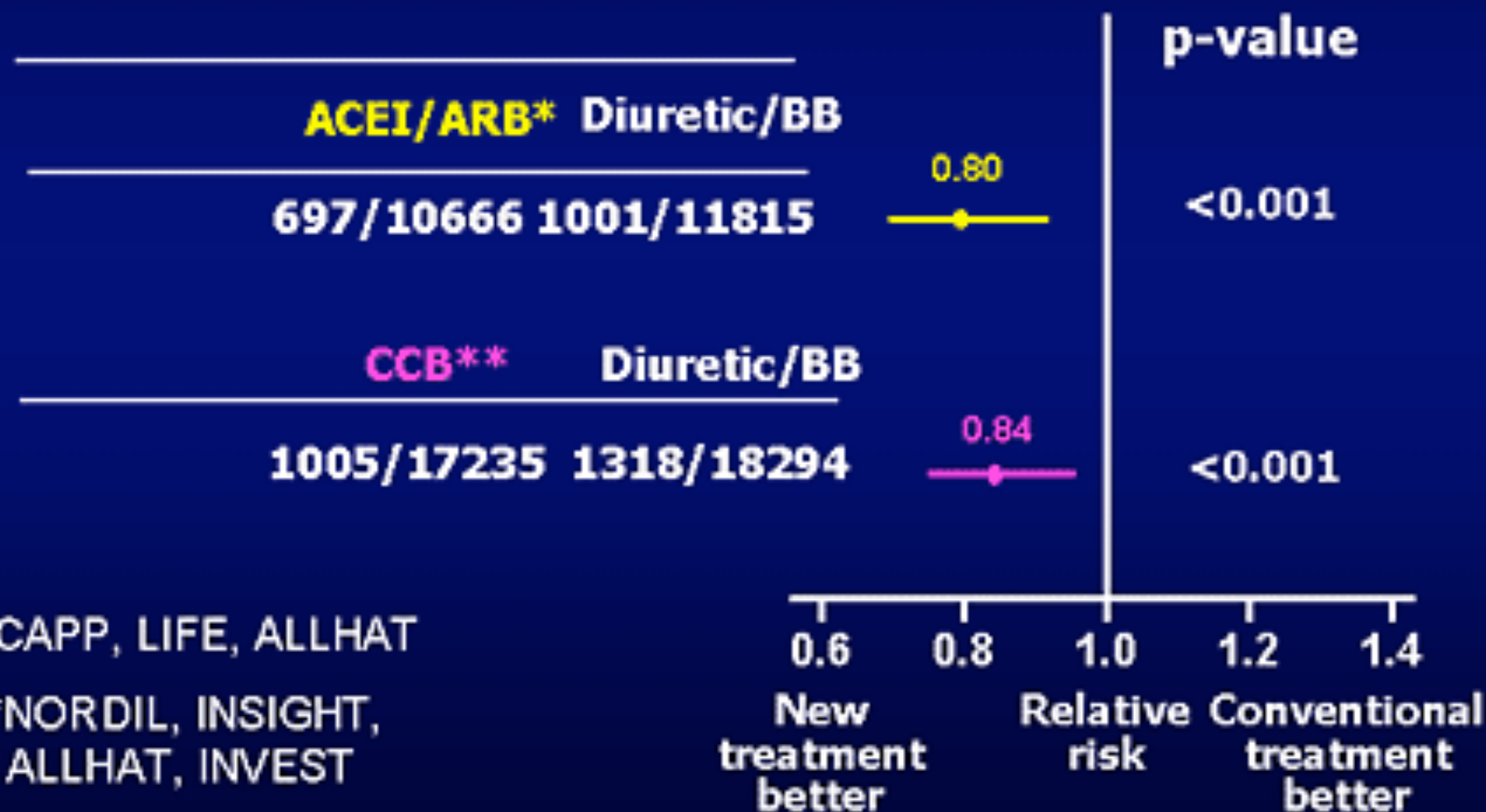


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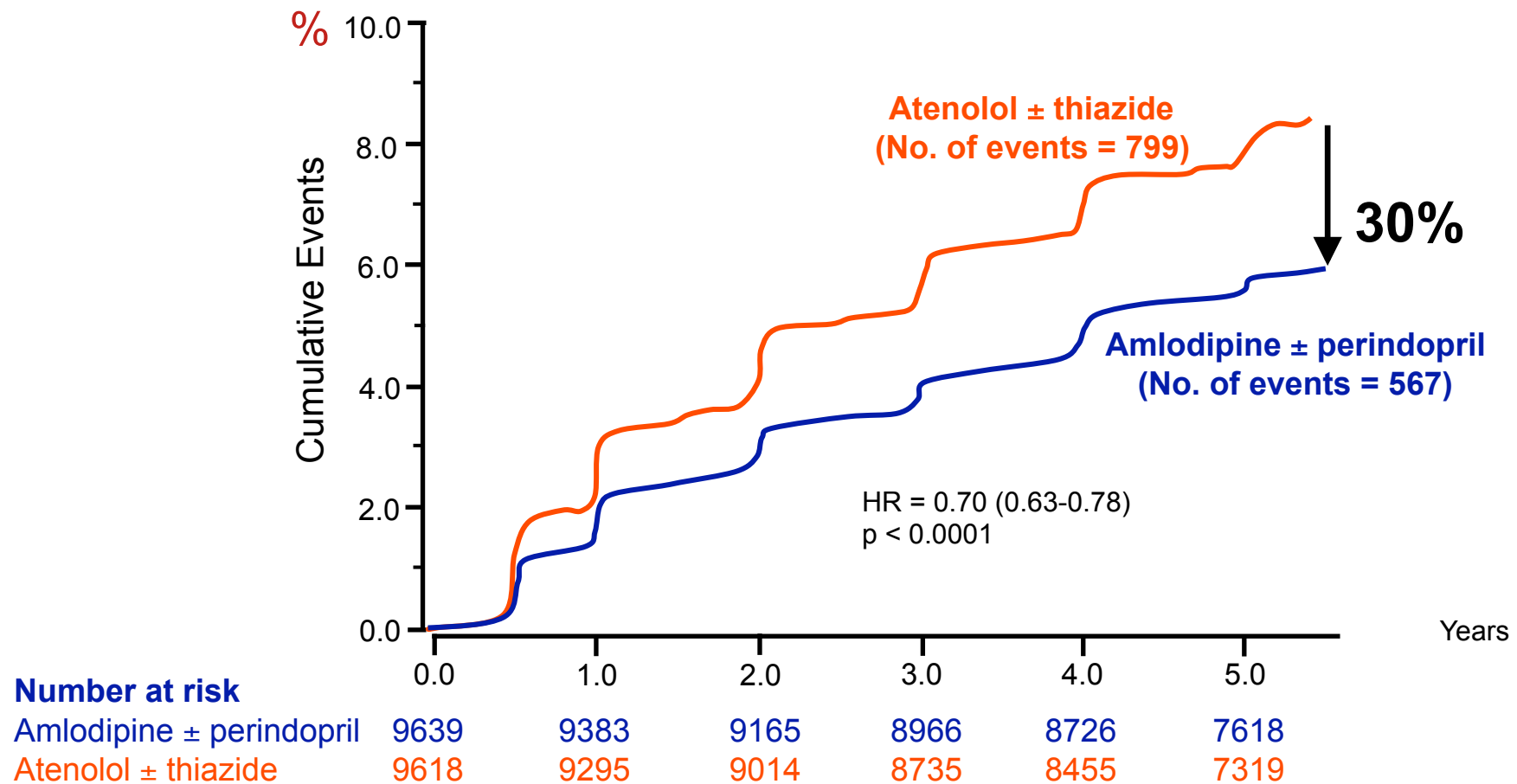
Parameter	Carvedilol (n = 454)				Metoprolol (n = 657)				Treatment Difference	
	No. of Participants	Maintenance Month 5 or Last Observation		%	No. of Participants	Maintenance Month 5 or Last Observation		%	% Change (95% CI)†	P Value
		Baseline	Carried Forward			Baseline	Carried Forward			
BP, mean (SE), mm Hg‡										
Systolic	454	149.4 (0.6)	131.3 (0.7)	-17.9 (0.7)	636	149.2 (0.5)	132.3 (0.6)	-16.9 (0.6)	-1.0 (-2.60 to 0.58)	.21
Diastolic	454	87.0 (0.4)	77.1 (0.4)	-10.0 (0.4)	636	86.3 (0.4)	76.8 (0.3)	-10.3 (0.3)	0.29 (-0.61 to 1.20)	.53
Heart rate/min, mean (SE)‡	454	73.7 (0.5)	67.6 (0.4)	-6.7 (0.4)	636	74.5 (0.4)	66.0 (0.4)	-8.3 (0.4)	1.6 (0.70 to 2.58)	<.001
Mean ACP, mg/g§	388	12.2	11.1	-11.0	542	12.0	12.2	2.5	16.2 (-25.21 to 5.87)	.002
Mean HOMA-IR§	371	6.0	5.8	-9.1	540	5.8	6.2	-2.0	-7.2 (-13.8 to -0.2)	.004
Mean plasma glucose, mg/dL‡	419	147.0	154.7	6.6	607	147.4	158.6	10.6	-4.0 (-8.73 to 0.78)	.10
Mean serum insulin, µIU/mL‡	387	21.6	19.6	-19.4	561	21.2	20.2	-15.1	-4.2 (-16.7 to 8.24)	.51
Mean body weight, kg‡	456	98.2	97.2	0.17	650	97.0	98.2	1.2	-1.0 (-1.43 to -0.60)	<.001
Mean serum cholesterol levels, mg/dL§										
Total	433	185.6	181.7	-3.3	625	185.6	185.6	-0.4	-2.9 (-4.60 to -1.15)	.001
LDL	411	186.6	96.7	-4.0	572	100.5	96.7	-2.7	-1.3 (-4.31 to 1.78)	.40
HDL	432	46.4	42.5	-5.5	625	46.4	42.5	-5.7	0.2 (-1.68 to 2.12)	.83
Mean triglycerides, mg/dL§	433	159.4	168.3	2.2	625	168.3	186.0	13.2	-9.8 (-13.68 to -5.75)	<.001

It's Not Just ACE Inhibitors and ARBs That Reduce the Risk of Developing Diabetes

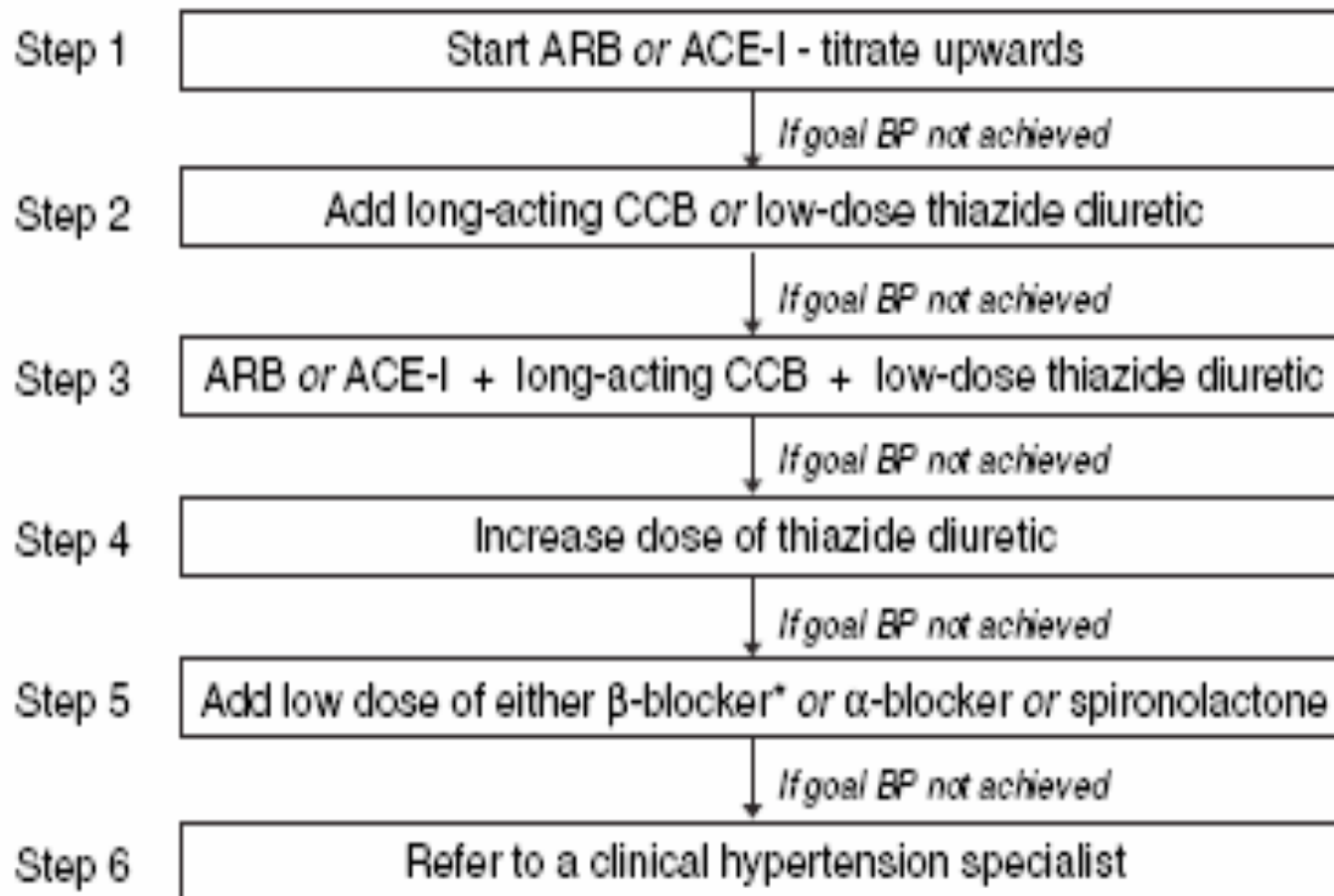
"New" vs "old" treatments for hypertension



New-onset diabetes mellitus (ASCOT – BPLA)



Proposed algorithm for achieving target blood pressure goals in obese hypertensives



Treatment

Combating The Metabolic Syndrome: Action Plan

- Which individual prevention?
- Which individual management?
 - Therapeutic objectives
 - **First step**: assessment of global cardiovascular risk in the patient
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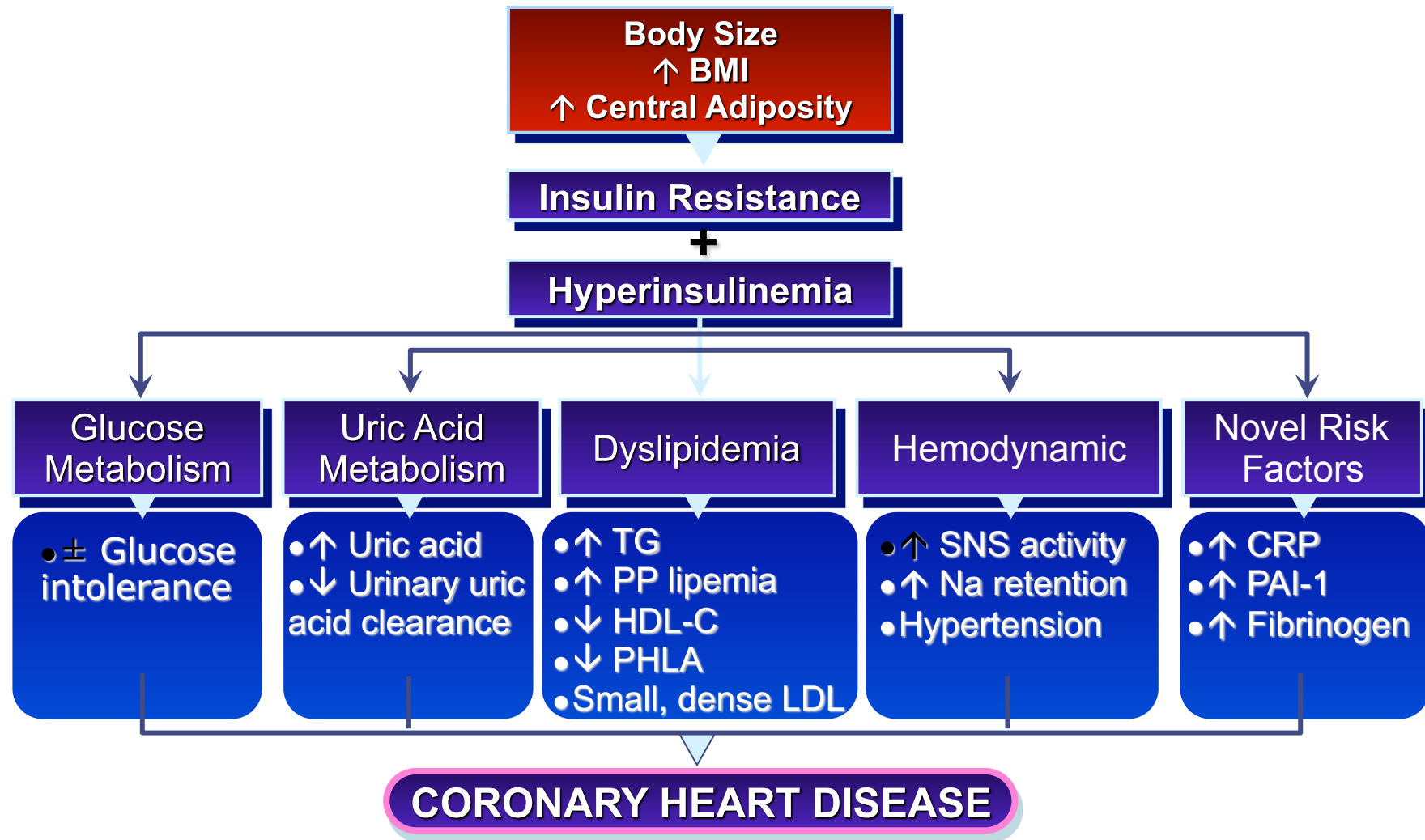
First Step: Assessment of Global Cardiovascular Risk

- High-risk patients: those with established cardiovascular disease, diabetes, or 10-year risk for CHD $>20\%$
- Moderately high-risk patients:
10-year risk for CHD $=10-20\%$
- Moderate risk patients: those with metabolic syndrome but
10-year risk for CHD $<10\%$

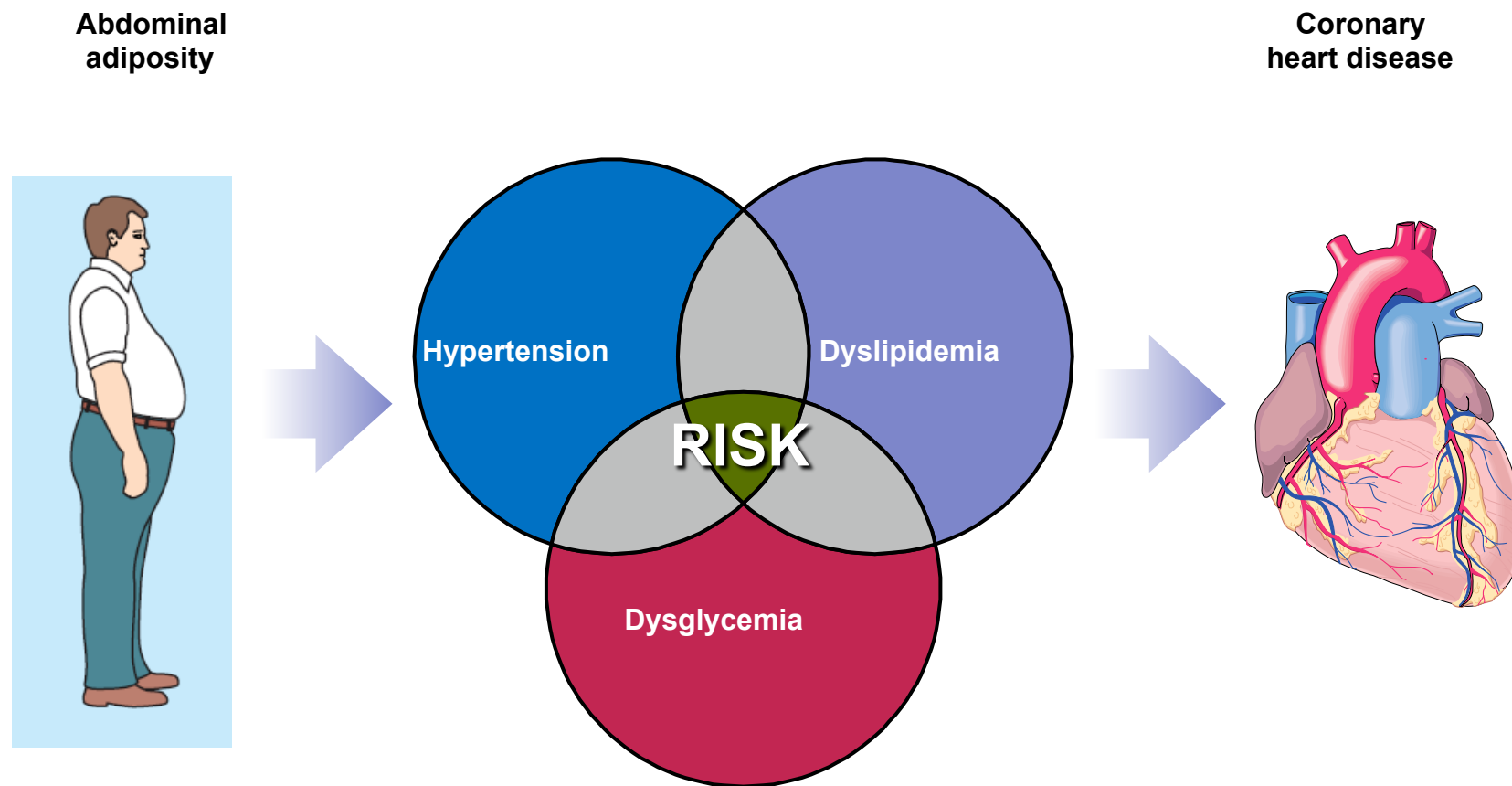
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The Metabolic Syndrome: *Current Perspective*



A new vital sign: Waist circumference



New markers of CHD risk: what to look for?



Abdominal obesity

Atherogenic dyslipidemia

↑ Triglycerides
↓ HDL-cholesterol
↑ Cholesterol/HDL-cholesterol ratio
"Normal" LDL-cholesterol but ↑ apo B
Small, dense LDL and HDL
Postprandial hyperlipidemia

Insulin resistance

Insulin resistance
Hyperinsulinemia
Hyperglycemia
Type 2 diabetes

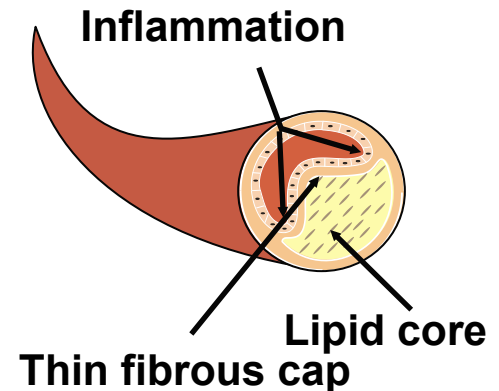
Thrombotic state

↑ PAI-1
↑ Fibrinogen

Inflammatory state

↑ CRP
↑ Cytokines

Metabolic risk factors



**CORONARY ATHEROSCLEROSIS
UNSTABLE PLAQUE**

↑ risk of acute
coronary syndrome