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## ESPEN LLL Course Topic 23 - Nutrition in Obesity



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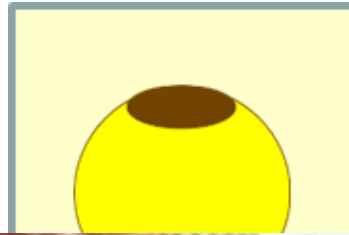


# Obesity Aetiopathogenesis and Complications

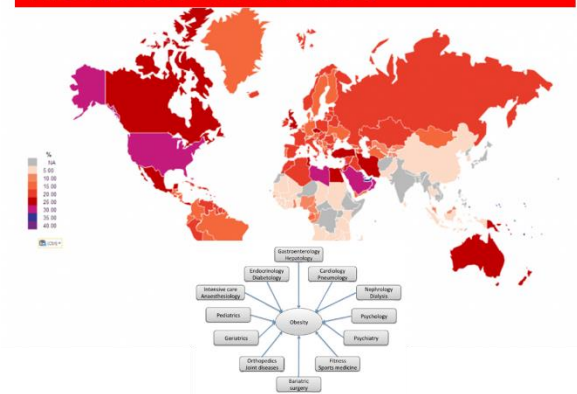
## Module 23.1

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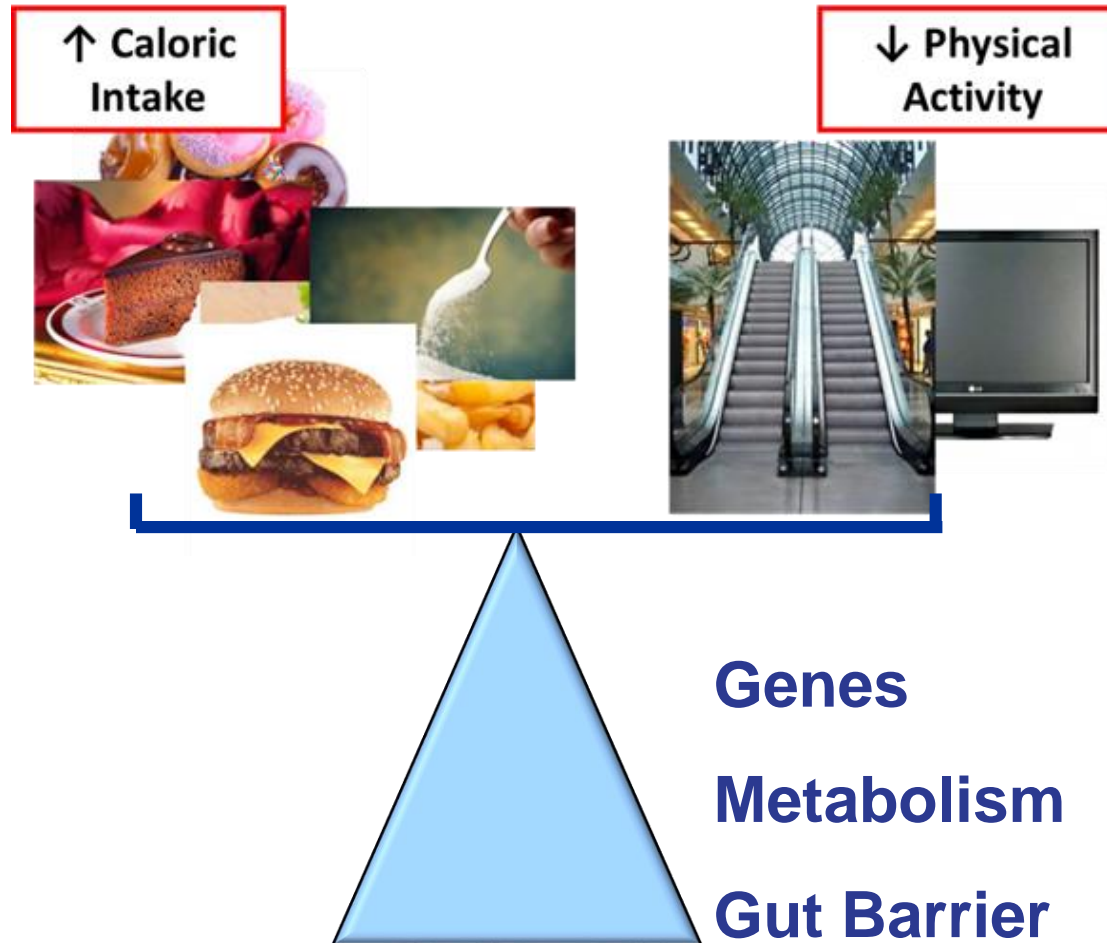
## The OBESITY EPIDEMICS



## OVERWEIGHT and OBESITY

“Chronic conditions characterized by abnormal-excess fat accumulation leading to excess morbidity” (WHO)

Clinical =  $BMI > 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$





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# Outline



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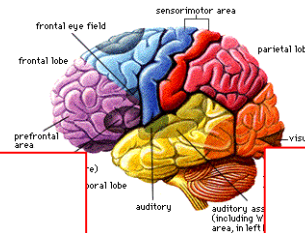
- **Energy intake (Appetite regulation)**
- **Energy expenditure (Intermediate metabolism)**
- **Clinical impact of obesity**
- **Malnutrition in obesity (?)**

**REFLECTIVE**

**Cognition  
Cortex**

**REFLEXIVE**

**Homeostasis  
Hypothalamus**



**REFLEXIVE**

**Reward  
Limbic - Paralimbic**

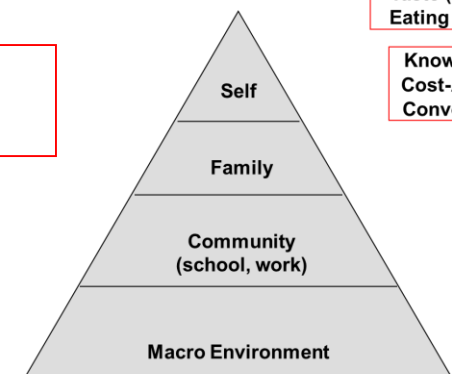
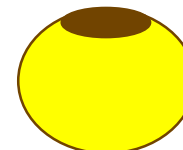
**Food Intake**

**Influences on Food Choices**

**Feed-Back**

**Taste (GENETICS)  
Eating PATTERNS**

**Knowledge  
Cost-Access  
Convenience**



(public policies, media, industry, technology, transportation)

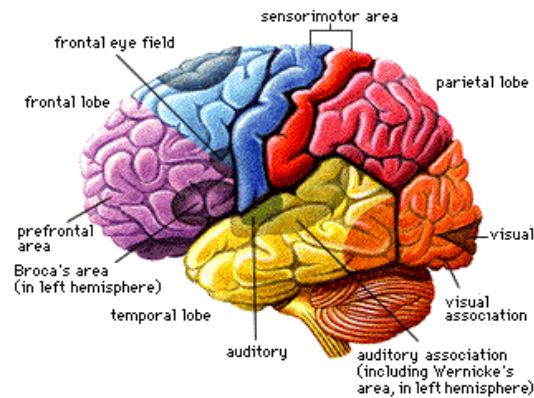
**Orexigenic  
Ghrelin**

**Anorexigenic  
Leptin**

**Homeostasis  
Hypothalamus**

**NPY-AgRP**

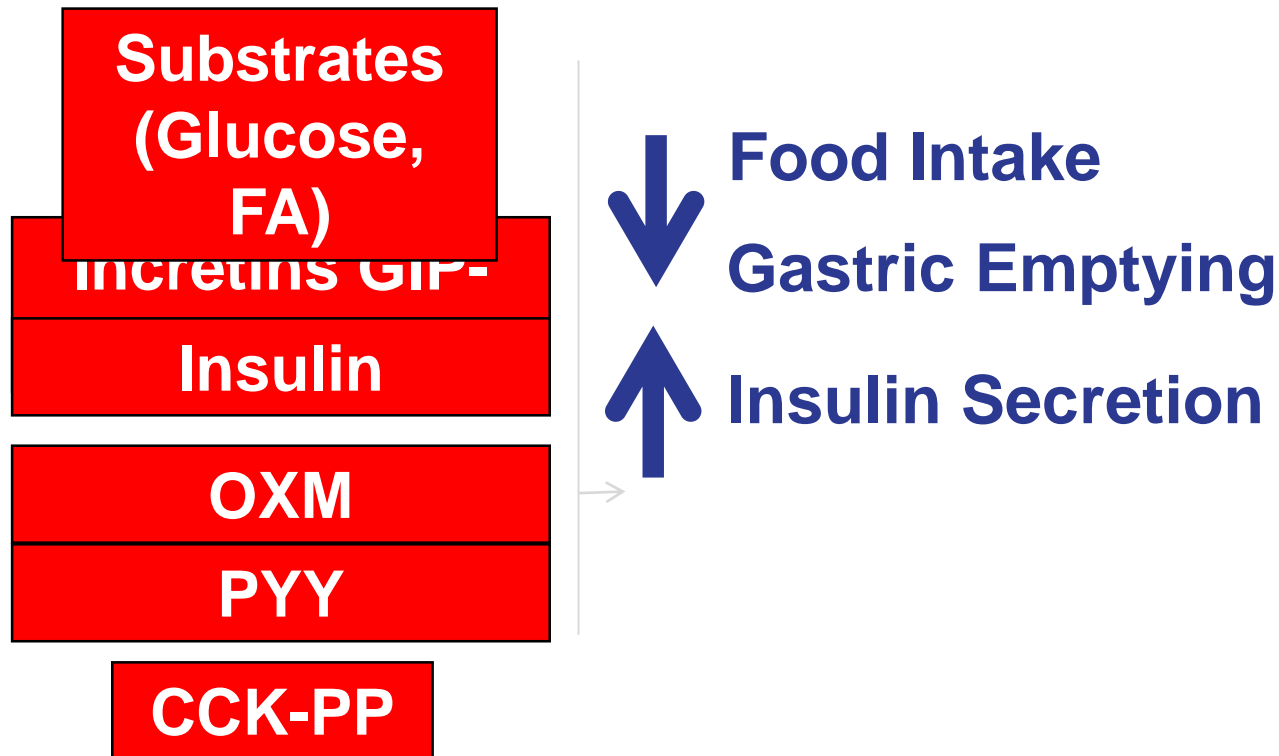
**POMC  
alpha MSH**



**Appetito**

# GUT ENDOCRINE SYSTEM

## Nutrient-triggered SATIETY Signalling



# GUT ENDOCRINE SYSTEM

## Nutrient-Triggered SATIETY Signalling

**Substrates  
(Glucose,  
FA)**

**Incretins GIP-  
GLP1**

**Insulin**

**OXM**

**PYY**

**CCK-PP**



**Food Intake**

**Gastric Emptying**



**Insulin Secretion**

**HIGH-FAT DIET  
SATIETY  
RESISTANCE**

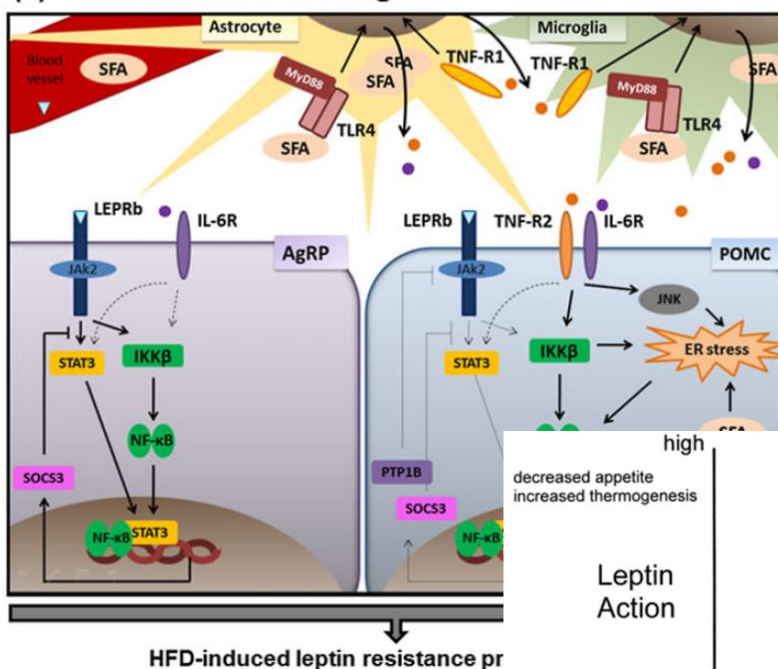




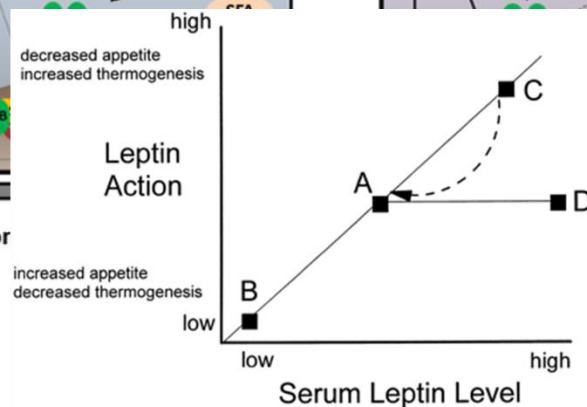
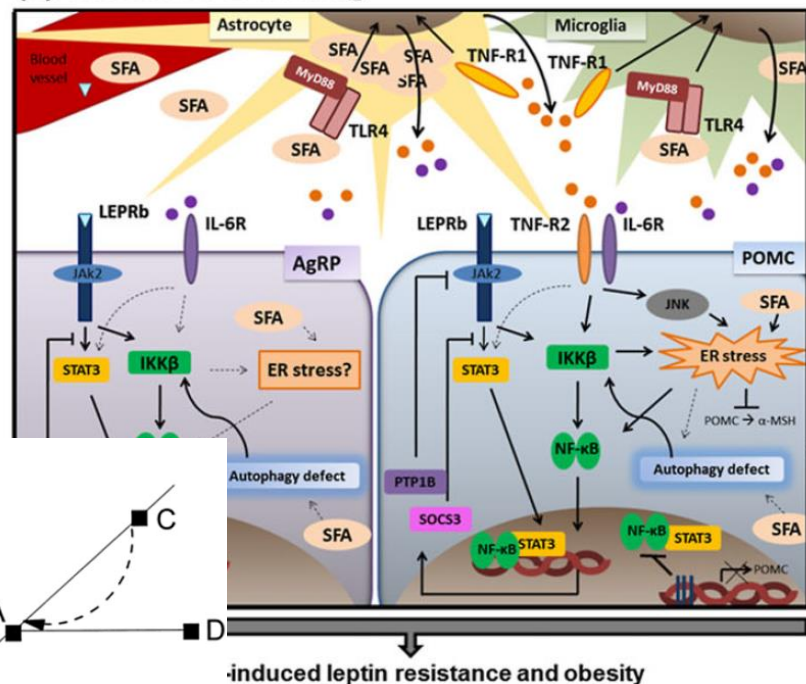
# Leptin resistance in diet-induced obesity: the role of hypothalamic inflammation

De Git et al, Obesity Rev 2015

(a) Short-term HFD-feeding



(b) Chronic HFD-feeding

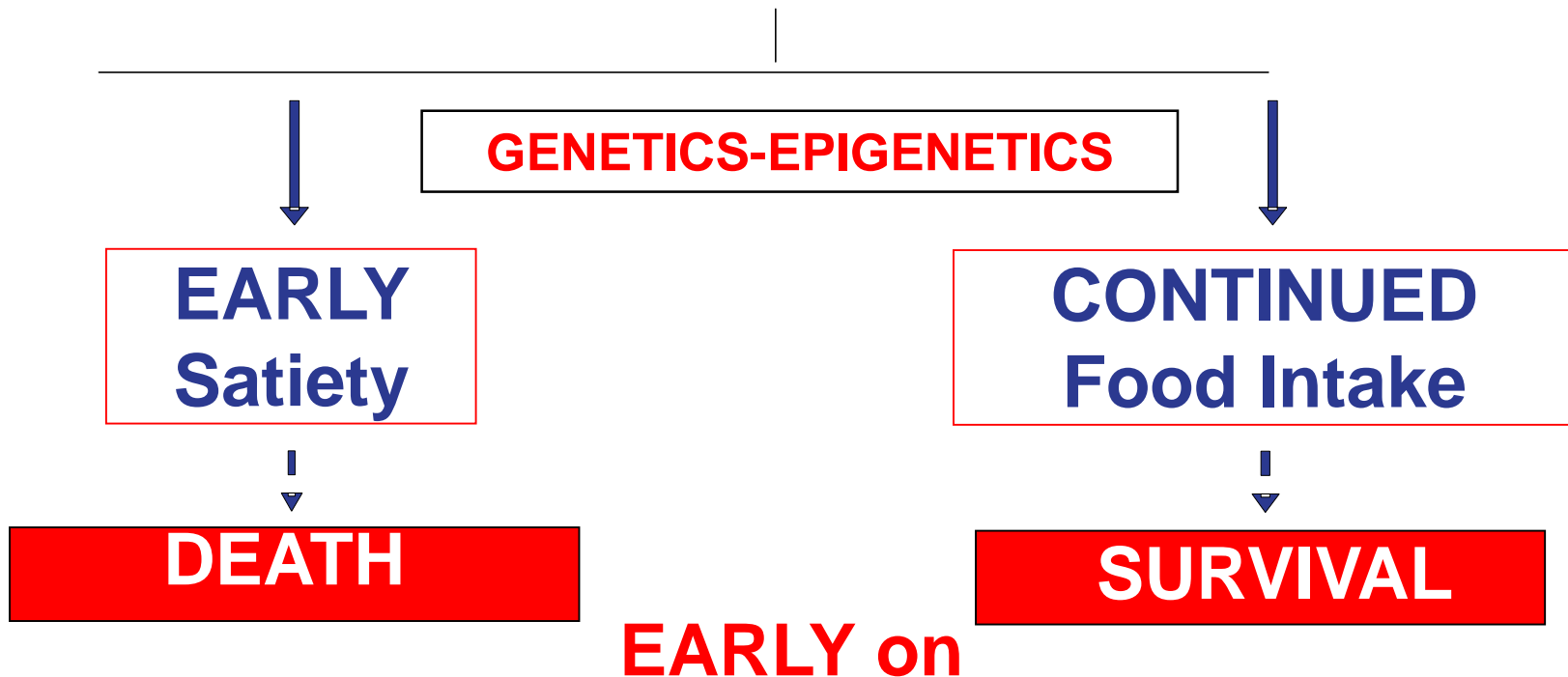


Flier JS, J Clin Endocrinol Metab, 2000

# Metabolic adaptation to nutrient intake

## Thrifty genotype hypothesis

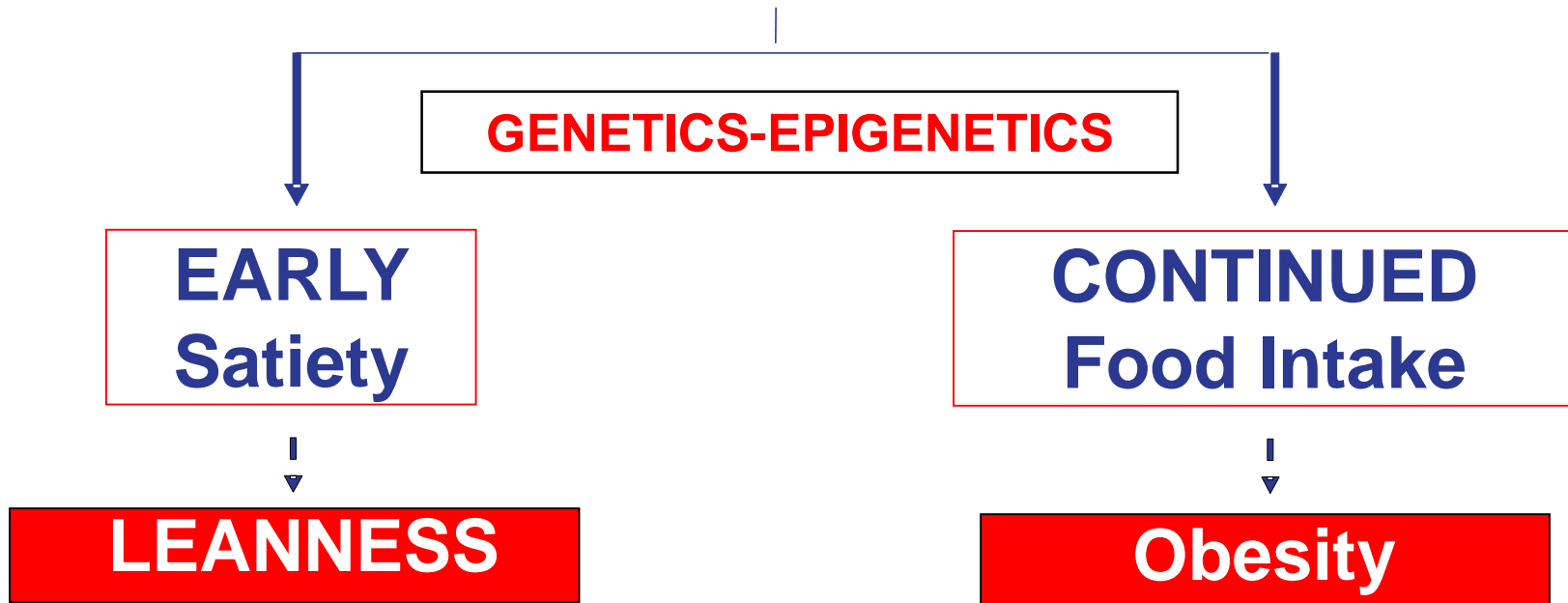
High Nutrient Availability



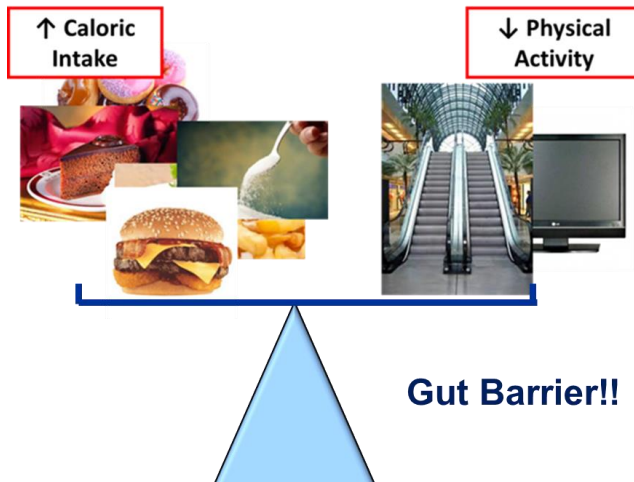
# Metabolic adaptation to nutrient intake

## Thrifty genotype hypothesis

### High Nutrient Availability



### 20-21st century



- Diet:  
Balanced  
Mediterranean style
- Probiotics

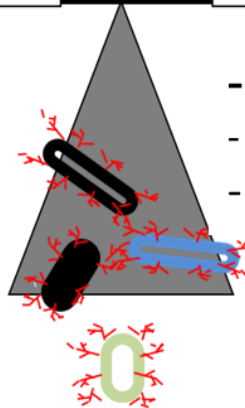
**GUT Microbial  
BALANCE**

- ↑ Energy Harvest
- ↑ Satiating Metabolites
- ↓ Inflammation

- Diet:  
High-fat/High-Sugar  
High Calorie
- Stress response
- Antibiotic abuse

**GUT Microbial  
DYSBIOSIS**

- ↓ Energy Harvest
- ↓ Satiating Metabolites
- ↑ Inflammation





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- Food intake regulation is complex and only partly understood
- Appetite regulation is at least partly beyond volitional control
- Failure of homeostatic feedback control mechanisms in the presence of food availability favours the obesity epidemic and likely reflects evolutionary processes



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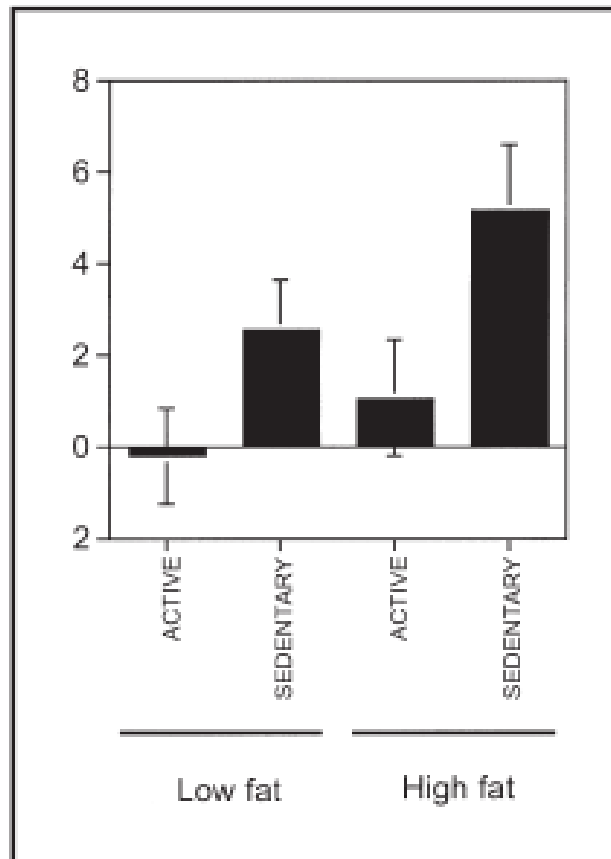


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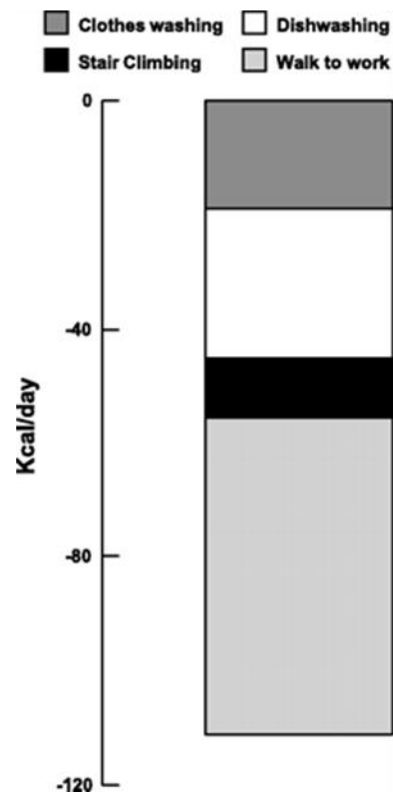
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# Physical activity and weight gain during high-fat diet



Prentice et al, Nutr Rev 2004

## Low (?) Intensity ADLs





	Walking bouts (n/day)	Time engaged in walking (minutes/day)	Average distance of a walking bout (miles)	Free-living walking velocity (mph)
Baseline				
Lean	46 ± 8	448 ± 111	0.22 ± 0.04	1.19 ± 0.21
Obese	47 ± 5	339 ± 74*	0.14 ± 0.04†	1.10 ± 0.20
Total	47 ± 6	389 ± 106	0.18 ± 0.06	1.14 ± 0.20
Overfed				
Lean	48 ± 11	459 ± 119	0.19 ± 0.06‡	1.09 ± 0.28
Obese	47 ± 9	334 ± 79*	0.11 ± 0.03§¶	0.96 ± 0.15
Total	47 ± 10	391 ± 116	→ 0.15 ± 0.06**	→ 1.02 ± 0.20**

Levine et al, Diabetes 2008

Being obese is associated with negative changes in  
QUANTITY and QUALITY of walking during overfeeding  
(VICIOUS CYCLING)

REGULATION LARGELY UNKNOWN!!  
(GENETIC-VOLITIONAL-ENDOCRINE/METABOLIC?)

# Outline

## - Clinical impact of obesity

### ↑↑↑ ACUTE and CHRONIC DISEASE

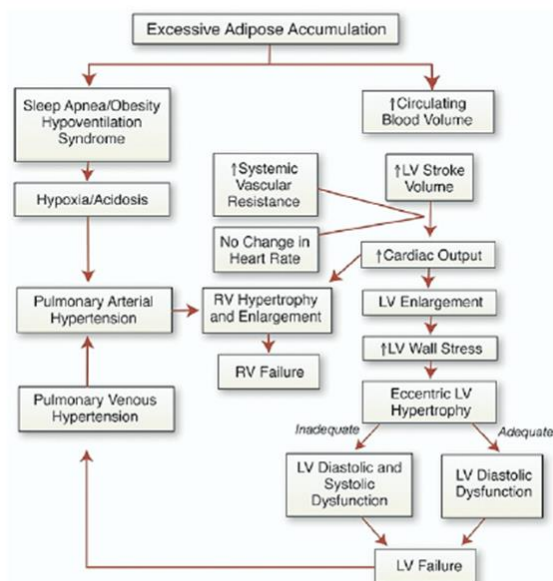
Towards a multidisciplinary approach to understand and manage obesity and related diseases\*

Stephan C. Bischoff<sup>a,\*</sup>, Yves Boirie<sup>b</sup>, Tommy Cederholm<sup>c</sup>, Michael Chourdakis<sup>d</sup>, Cristina Cuerda<sup>e</sup>, Nathalie M. Delzenne<sup>f</sup>, Nicolaas E. Deutz<sup>g</sup>, Denis Fouque<sup>h</sup>, Laurence Genton<sup>i</sup>, Carmen Gil<sup>j</sup>, Berthold Koletzko<sup>k</sup>, Miguel Leon-Sanz<sup>l</sup>, Raanan Shamir<sup>m</sup>, Joelle Singer<sup>n,o</sup>, Pierre Singer<sup>o,p</sup>, Nanette Stroebele-Benschop<sup>q</sup>, Anders Thorell<sup>r</sup>, Arved Weimann<sup>s</sup>, Rocco Barazzoni<sup>t</sup>

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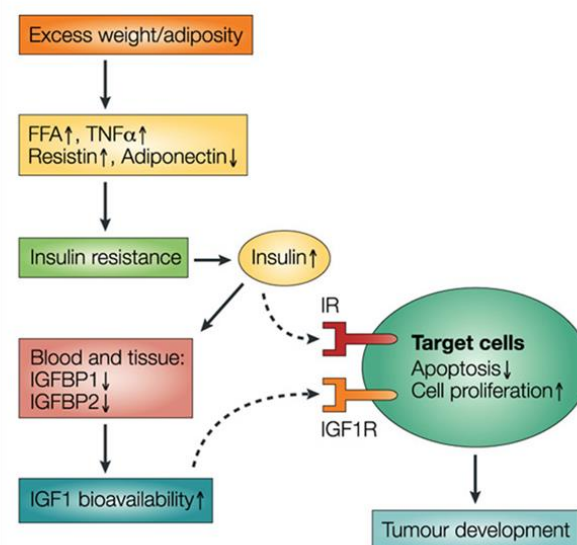


## CHF



Lavie et al, JACC 2009

## CANCER



Nature Reviews | Cancer

**↑↑↑ (CARDIO)METABOLIC COMPLICATIONS**

**INSULIN RESISTANCE**

**METABOLIC SYNDROME**

**TYPE 2 DIABETES**

**CARDIOVASCULAR  
DISEASE**

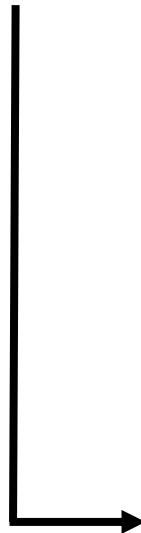
# OBESITY

**Ox STRESS**



**INFLAMMATION**

+



+



**INSULIN  
RESISTANCE**

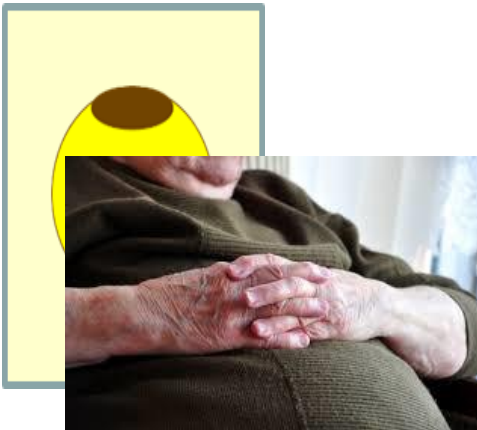


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# ADIPOSE TISSUE DISEASE:

## Dealing with excess fat

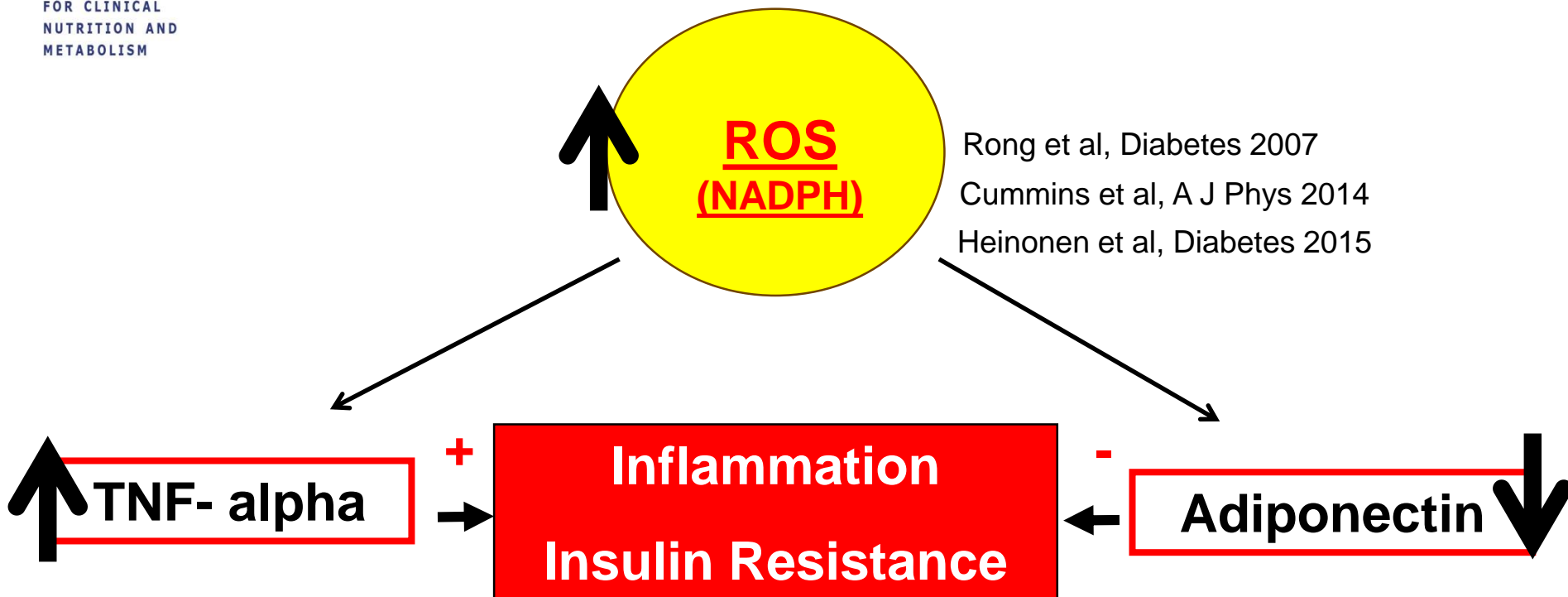
# ADIPOSOPATHY



# EXCESS FAT

## ADIPOSE TISSUE METABOLISM

## CHRONIC NUTRIENT EXCESS



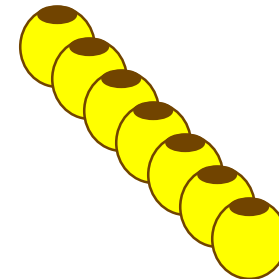
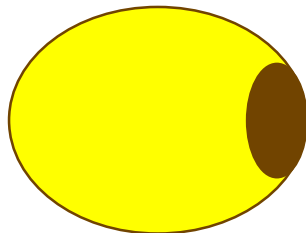
Paglialunga S et al, Diabetologia 2015

# EXCESS FAT

## ADIPOSE TISSUE METABOLISM

### Adipogenesis

AO HYPERTROPHY



**HYPOXIA  
STRESS  
DEATH**



**INFLAMMATION – M2 → M1 Macrophages  
INSULIN RESISTANCE**

Reilly and Saltiel, Nature Rev Endocrinol 2017

# EXCESS FAT

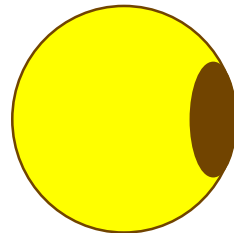
## ADIPOSE TISSUE DISTRIBUTION



## ADIPOGENESIS



**AO HYPERTROPHY**



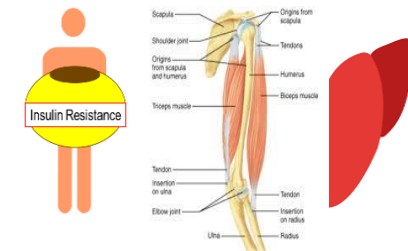
↓ **STORAGE CAPACITY**

**ECTOPIC FAT**

**VISCERAL FAT**

**INFLAMMATION**

**INSULIN RESISTANCE**





↑↑↑ (CARDIO)METABOLIC COMPLICATIONS

INSULIN RESISTANCE

Gut Barrier!!

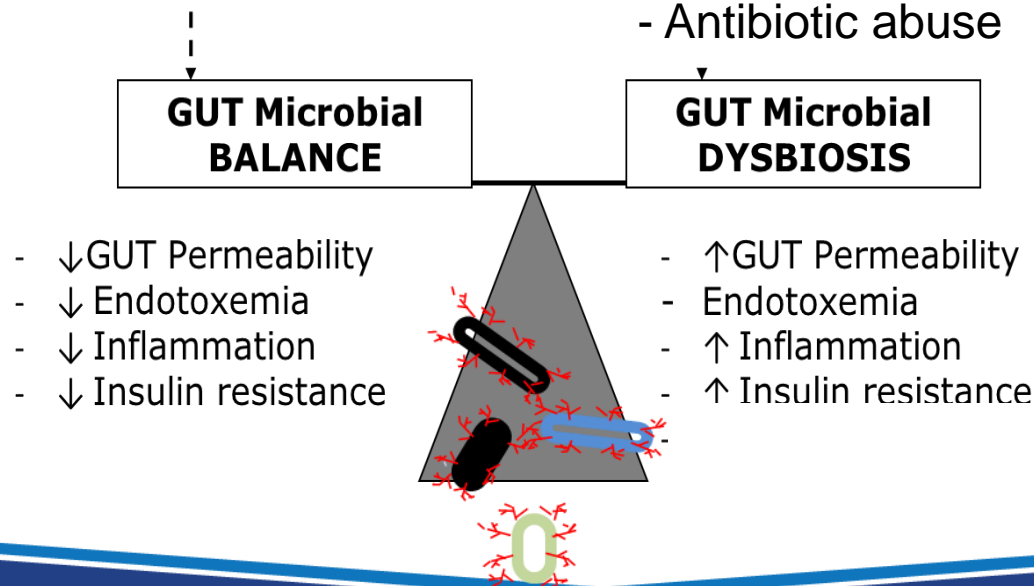
METABOLIC SYNDROME

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# Consensus criteria of the Metabolic Syndrome IDF-AHA/NHLBI

Measure	Categorical cut points
• Elevated waist circumference <sup>*</sup>	Variable according to ETHNICITY
• Elevated blood pressure <sup>**</sup>	Systolic $\geq 130$ and/or diastolic $\geq 85$ mm Hg
• Elevated fasting glucose <sup>**</sup>	$\geq 100$ mg/dl
• Elevated triglycerides <sup>**</sup>	$\geq 150$ mg/dl (1.7 mmol/L)
• Reduced HDL-c <sup>**</sup>	< 40 mg/dl (1.0 mmol/L) in males; < 50 mg/dl (1.3 mmol/L) in females

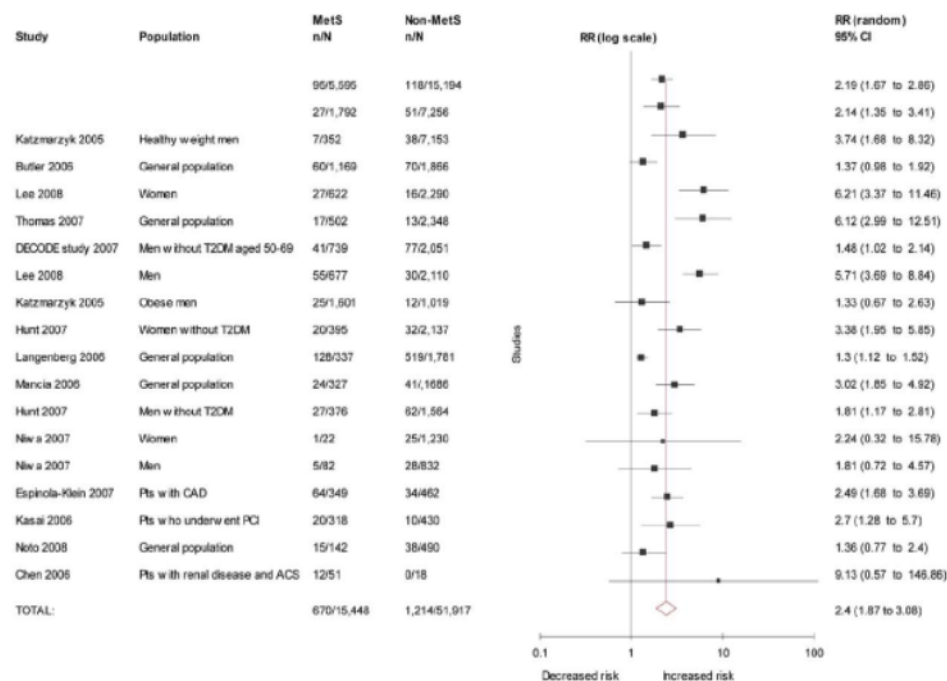
**\*\* or drug  
treatment**

**Any 3 of 5 risk factors  
constitutes a diagnosis of MS**

Alberti KGMM, et al. Circulation 2009; 120: 1640-5.



# MetS and CVD



**Figure 4** The Metabolic Syndrome and the Relative Risk for CVD Mortality

Mottillo et al, JACC 2010



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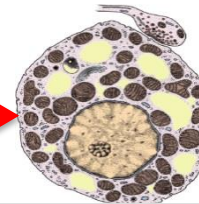
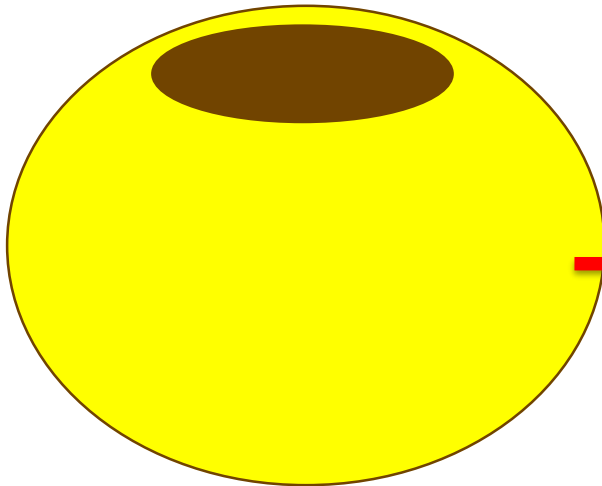


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# BROWN ADIPOSE TISSUE DYSFUNCTION

WAT

BAT



↑ MITOCHONDRIA

↑ UNCOUPLING

↑ THERMOGENESIS

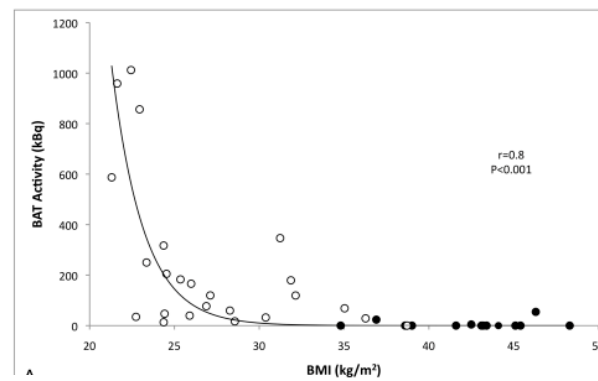
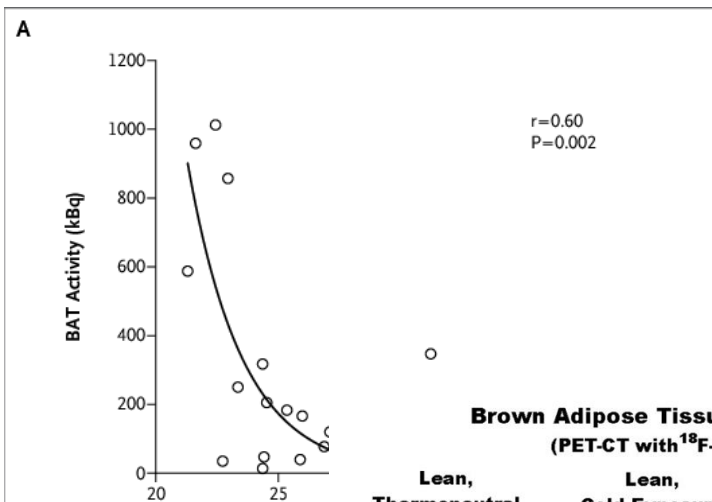
↑ ENERGY  
EXPENDITURE

COLD

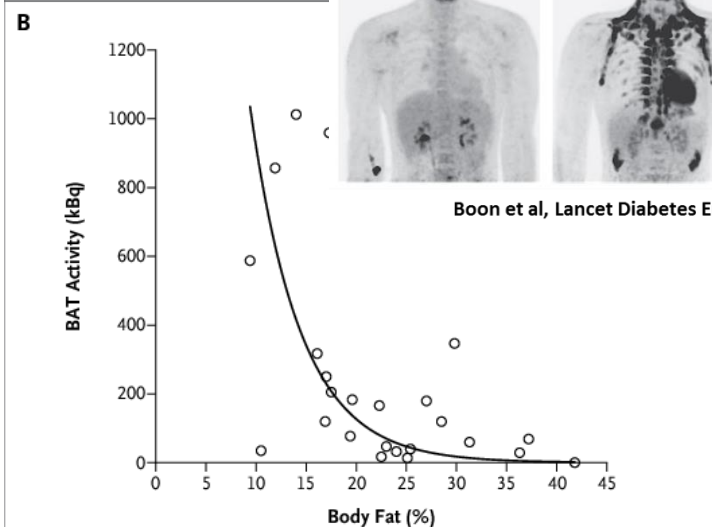
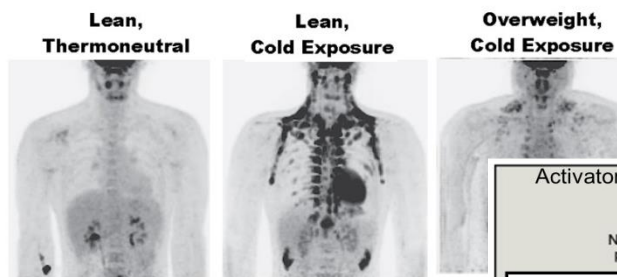
EXERCISE

NUTRITION!!

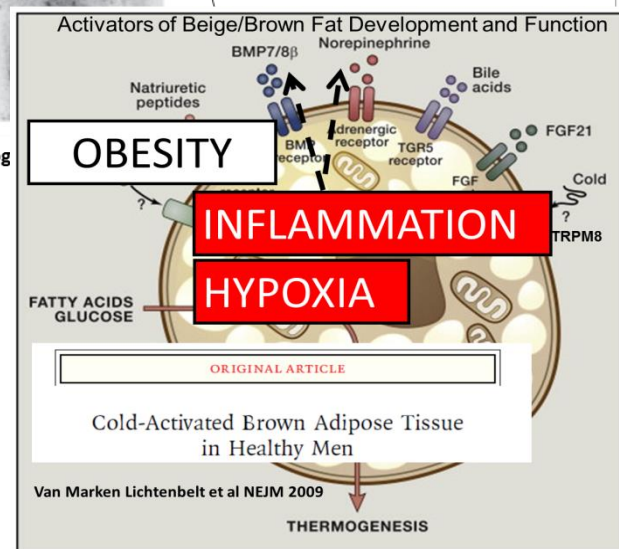
# Impaired BAT activity in OBESITY!!



**Brown Adipose Tissue Activity  
(PET-CT with <sup>18</sup>F-FDG)**



Boon et al, Lancet Diabetes Endocrinolog



Van Marken Lichtenbelt et al NEJM 2009

# MITOCHONDRIAL DYSFUNCTION

## Potential CONSEQUENCES

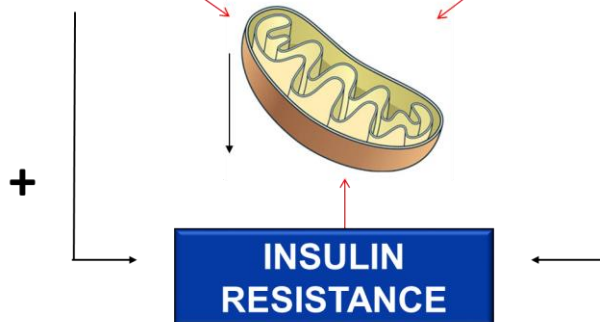


Ox STRESS



INFLAMMATION

↓ **Fat-Glucose utilization**



↓ **Energy expenditure**

**Tissue Fat ACCUMULATION**

**Insulin Resistance**



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**OBESITY per se**

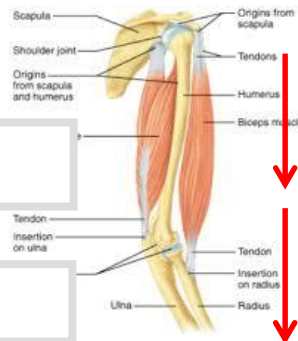
**ACUTE and CHRONIC DISEASE**

**OX STRESS**



**INFLAMMATION**

**PROTEIN DEGRADATION**



**MASS**

**FUNCTION**

**+**

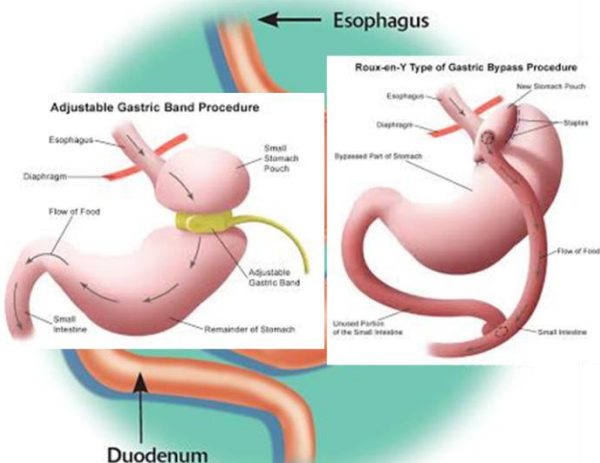
**DIET**

**SEDENTARY LIFESTYLE**

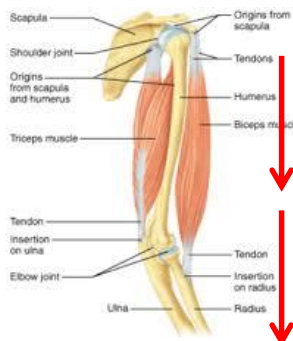
**INSULIN RESISTANCE**



# THERAPEUTIC WEIGHT LOSS BARIATRIC SURGERY



## PROTEIN



**MASS**

**FUNCTION**

# BEYOND BMI

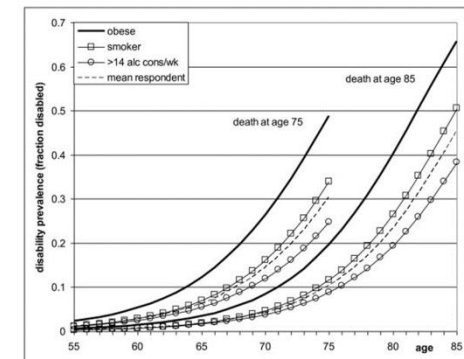
ONE OBESITY SIZE does NOT FIT ALL!

## Body Composition

(FAT/MUSCLE)

- SARCOPENIC OBESITY
  - ↑ FRAILTY-MORBIDITY
  - ↑ MORTALITY

Obesity leads to higher chance of disability than other major disease risk factors



Klijs et al, BMC Pub Health 2011

ESPEN endorsed recommendation

Sarcopenic obesity: Time to meet the challenge

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# Obese **AND** Malnourished

## GLIM criteria for the diagnosis of malnutrition – A consensus report from the global clinical nutrition community<sup>☆</sup>

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Risk screening



Diagnostic  
Assessment



Diagnosis



Severity  
Grading

### At risk for malnutrition

- Use validated screening tools



### Assessment criteria

- **Phenotypic**
  - Non-volitional weight loss
  - Low body mass index
  - Reduced muscle mass
- **Etiologic**
  - Reduced food intake or assimilation
  - Disease burden/inflammatory condition



### Meets criteria for malnutrition diagnosis

- Requires at least 1 Phenotypic criterion and 1 Etiologic criterion



### Determine severity of malnutrition

- Severity determined based on Phenotypic criterion

## ESPEN guideline on clinical nutrition in the intensive care unit

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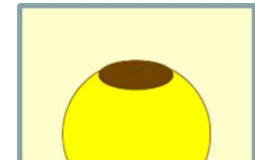
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### Recommendations 51-52

**An iso-caloric high protein diet can be administered to obese patients, preferentially guided by indirect calorimetry measurements and urinary nitrogen losses.**

**Grade of recommendation: 0 – consensus (89% agreement)**

**If urinary nitrogen losses or lean body mass determination are not available, protein intake can be 1.3 g/kg “adjusted body weight”/d.**



**PROTEIN: 1.3 g/kg ABW  
(=1.6-1.8 g/kg IBW)**



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# Conclusions



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- Aetiology and pathogenesis of obesity involve lifestyle changes that however appear to be only partly under volitional control
- Their negative impact on body fat accumulation is moreover largely influenced by genetic, epigenetic and metabolic factors
- Clinical complications of obesity potentially involve all organs and systems with a relevant role for insulin resistance and its cardio-metabolic impact
- Clinical complications of obesity include malnutrition with a major role for skeletal muscle loss of mass and function (sarcopenic obesity)