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Topic 18 - Nutritional Support in Intensive Care Unit Patients



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Energy in the ICU

Module 18.1

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Outline: Energy



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- **Energy production in human**

- quantitative physiology
- regulation & storage
- sensing of deprivation

- **Effects of critical illness**

- ATP
- Mitochondria & respiratory chain:
- Substrates

- **Measurement & strategic**

- Estimation
- Measurement
- Kcal & RQ
- special conditions: renal replacement, ECMO

Energy = ATP



- ATP

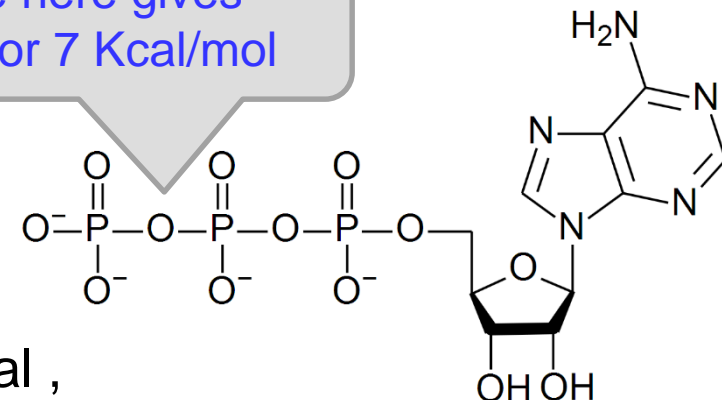
- Exclusive form of energy in humans supported by FADH₂, NADH & Creatine Phosphate
- generated from glycolysis, β -oxidation and oxydative phosphorylation
- All macronutrients (glucose, lipids, amino acids) are possible substrates but also alcohol and some infused substances like lactate, acetate, malate and citrate
- 1 mol= 507.18 g

Cleavage here gives
30 KJ/mol or 7 Kcal/mol

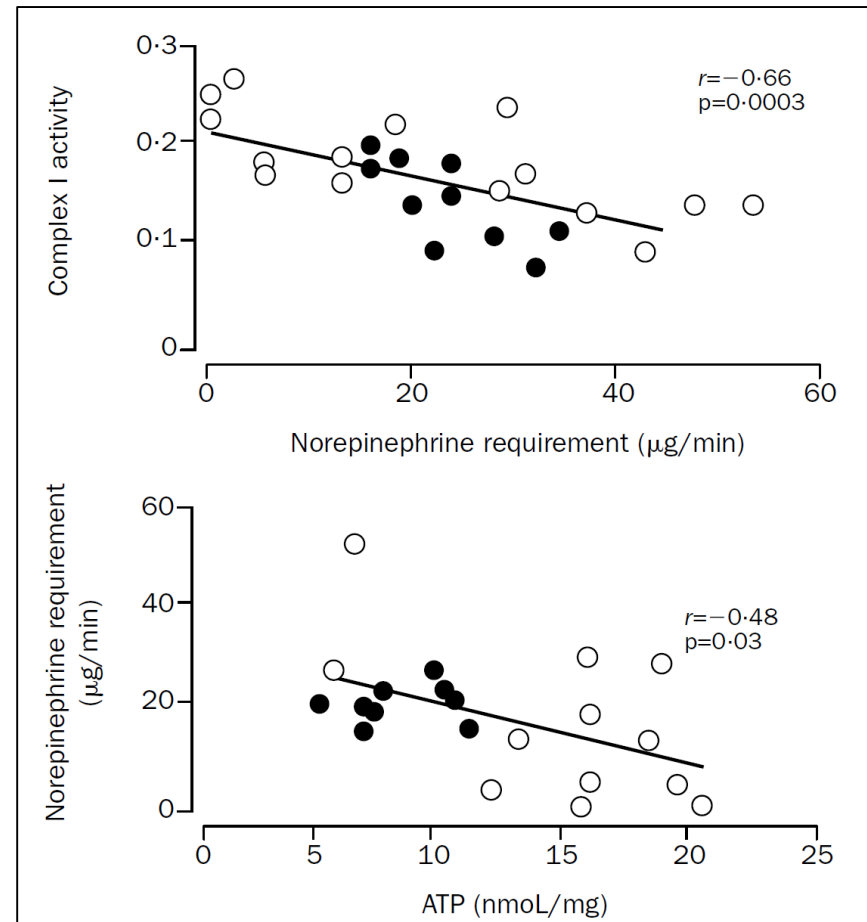
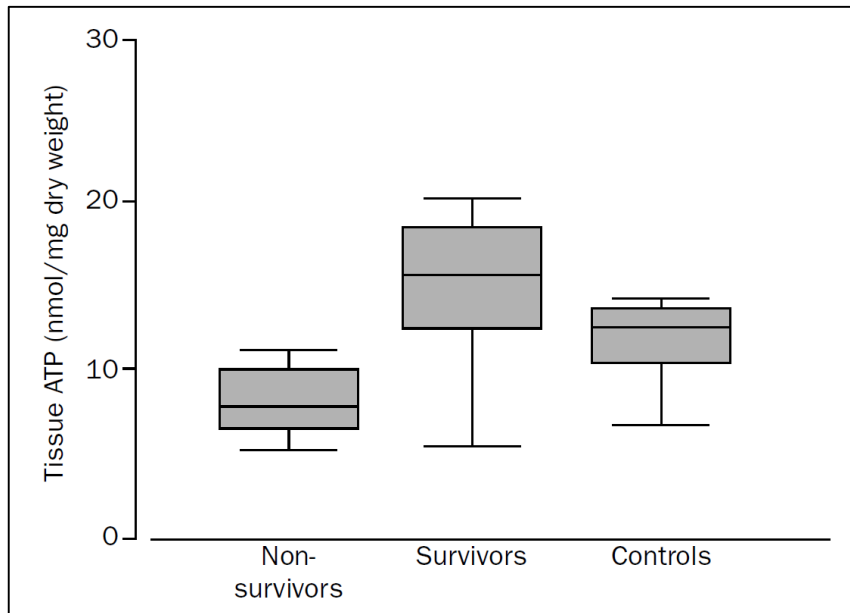
- Units

- Joule: 1 Newton. 1 meter

- Kcal= 4.18 kJ
- Watt= 1 J/second
(climbing a stair 200 W = 172 Kcal ,
at rest 80 W = 70 Kcal)



ATP content in ICU patients

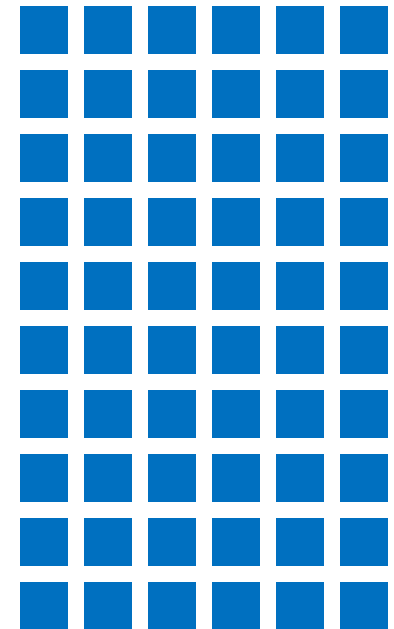


- correlates with severity (norepinephrine)

ATP & ADP in adult human

- ATP very fast recycling!
- Any disturbance of oxydative phosphorylation affects cellular energy availability

50-75 kg = 100-150 mol



50-100 g



ATP content

ATP production /24 hours

- ATP: ADP ratio in tissue 200:1 ??

Relative contribution of processes to whole body energy consumption

• Protein turnover	20-30%
• Na ⁺ /K ⁺ ATPase	20-28%
• Mitochondrial proton leak	20-25%
• Triacylglycerol turnover	<3%
• Calcium cycling	4-10%
• Gluconeogenesis	5-10%
• Ureagenesis	<3%
• Actinomyosin ATPase	<8%
• DNA/RNA turnover	<2%
• Substrate cycling	<5%

ICU patients: Flat batteries = **less essential** processes reduced

Rolfe DF, Brown GC. *Physiol Rev* 1997; 77: 731-58.

Singer M *Crit Care* 2017; 21 (Suppl 3): 309

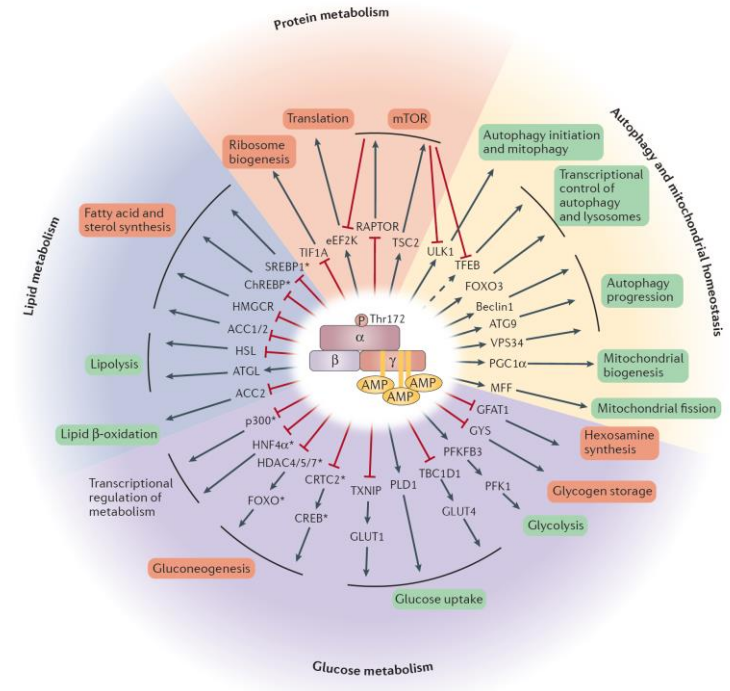
Body sensing & Adaptation

• Cells are sensing

- O₂
- CO₂
- H⁺ (acidosis)
- Substrate availability

• Organs have priorities

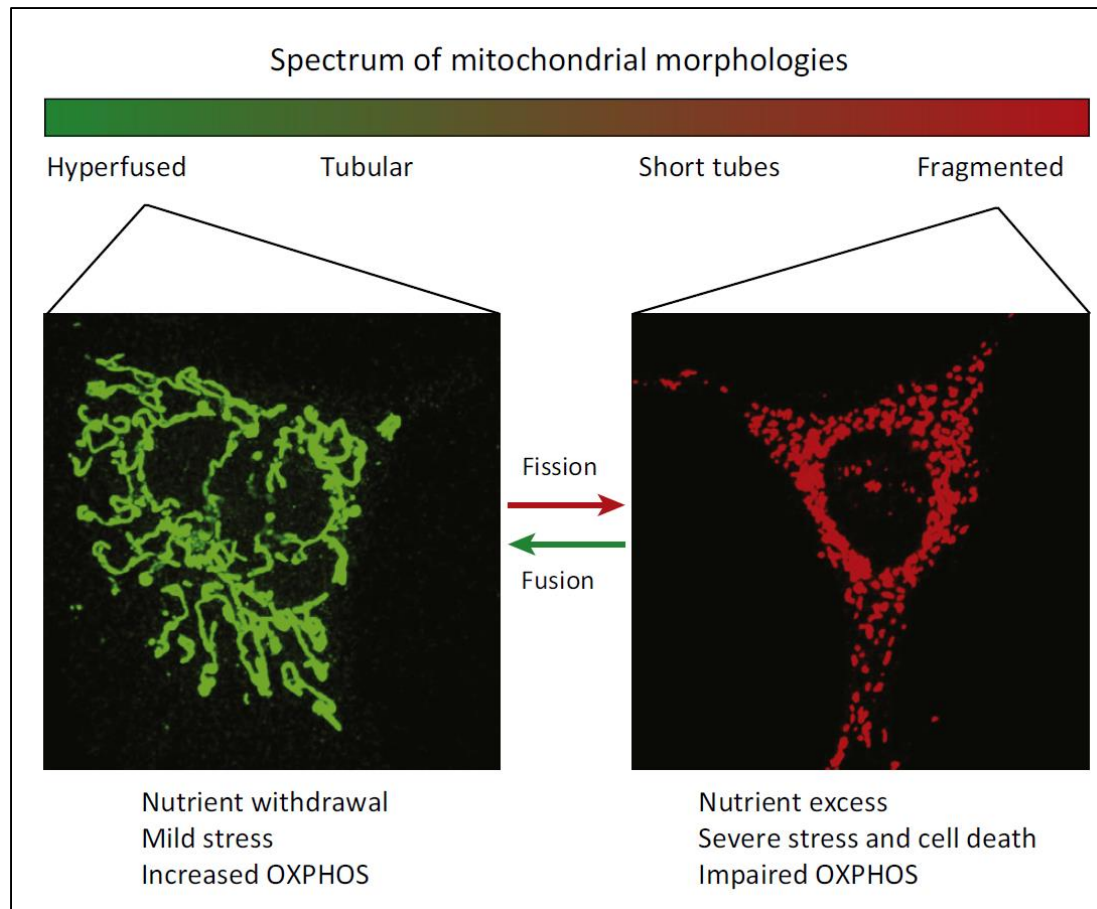
- Brain: **me first!!**
 - O₂
 - CO₂ removal
 - Glucose 100g/24h
- Heart
- Liver
- GI tract shut down



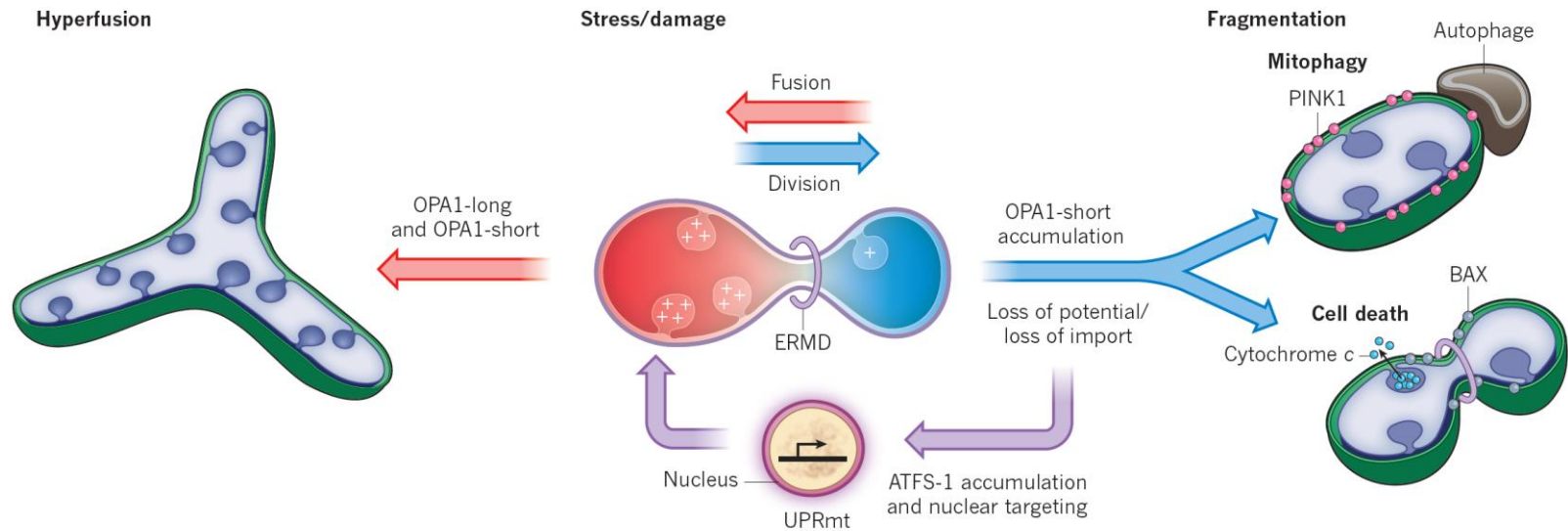
AMPK: a sensor of
ATP deprivation

Herzig & Shaw Nature Reviews:
Mol Cell Biol 2018; 19:121

Mitochondria: stress / nutrients & morphology

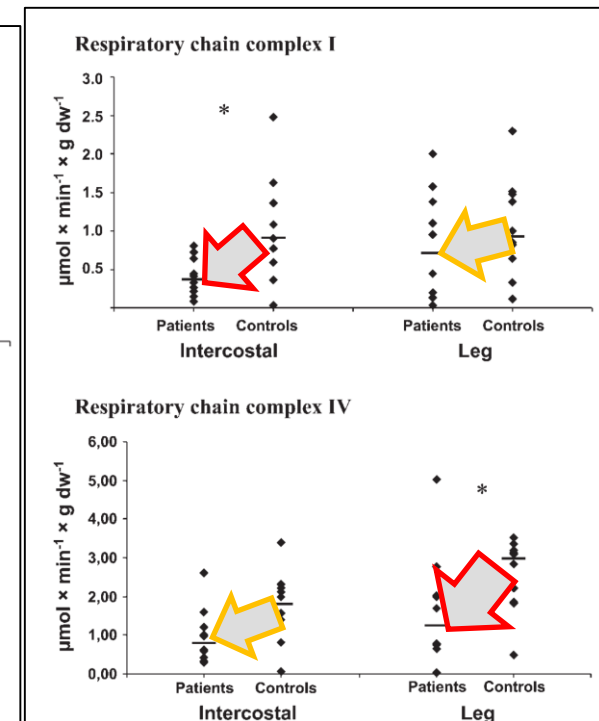
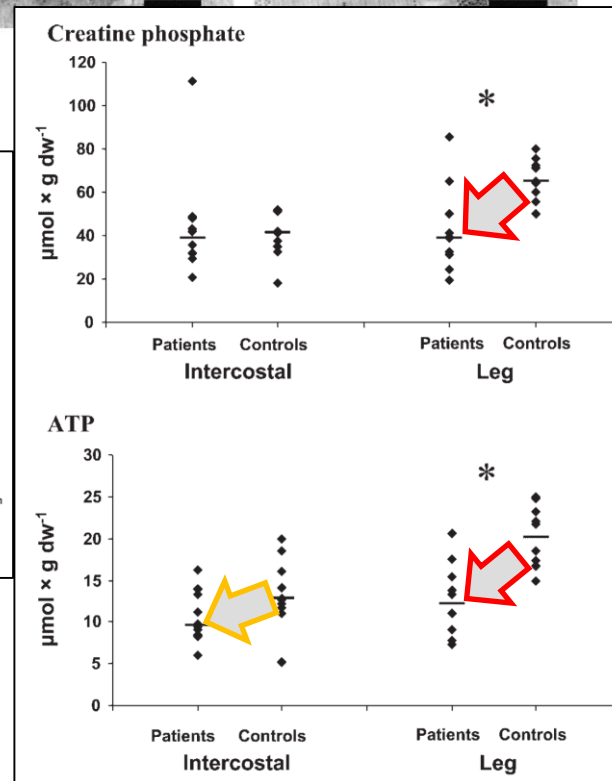
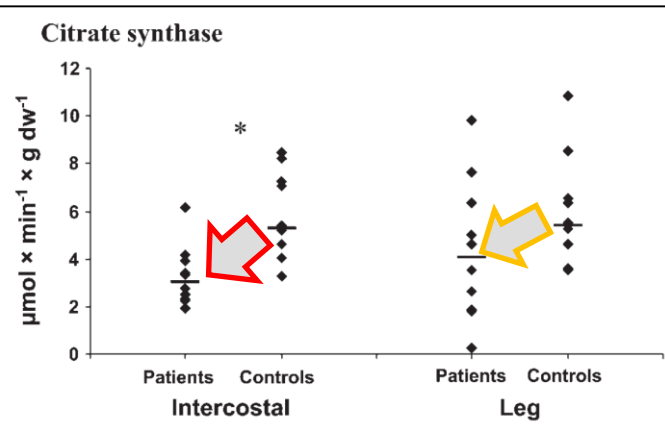
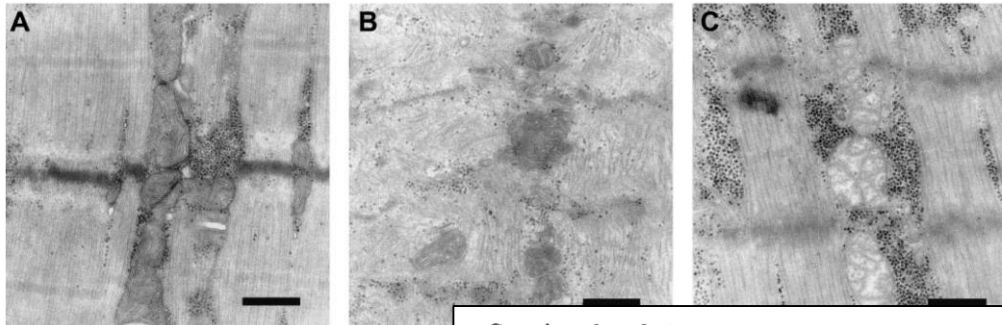


Mitochondria adapt to stress: fusion & fission



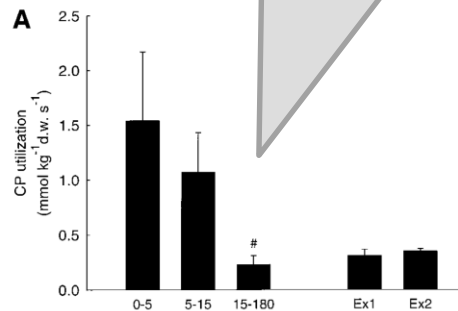
- Mitochondria division to recover membrane potential or mitophagy or death

CP – ATP in ICU patients

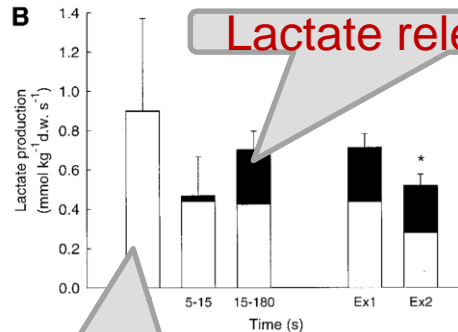
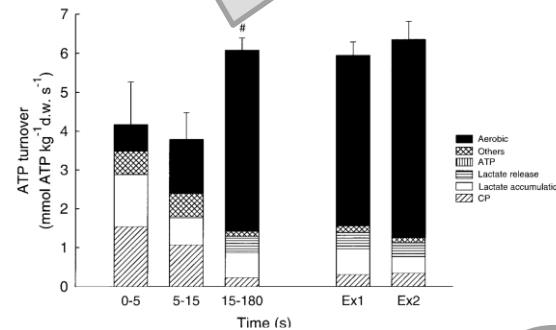


Creatine Phosphate – ATP: an dual exercise system

**Creatine Phosphate:
A battery for 15 seconds**

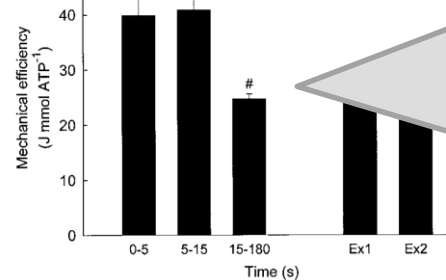


**ATP Production plateau:
After 15 seconds**



Lactate release into blood

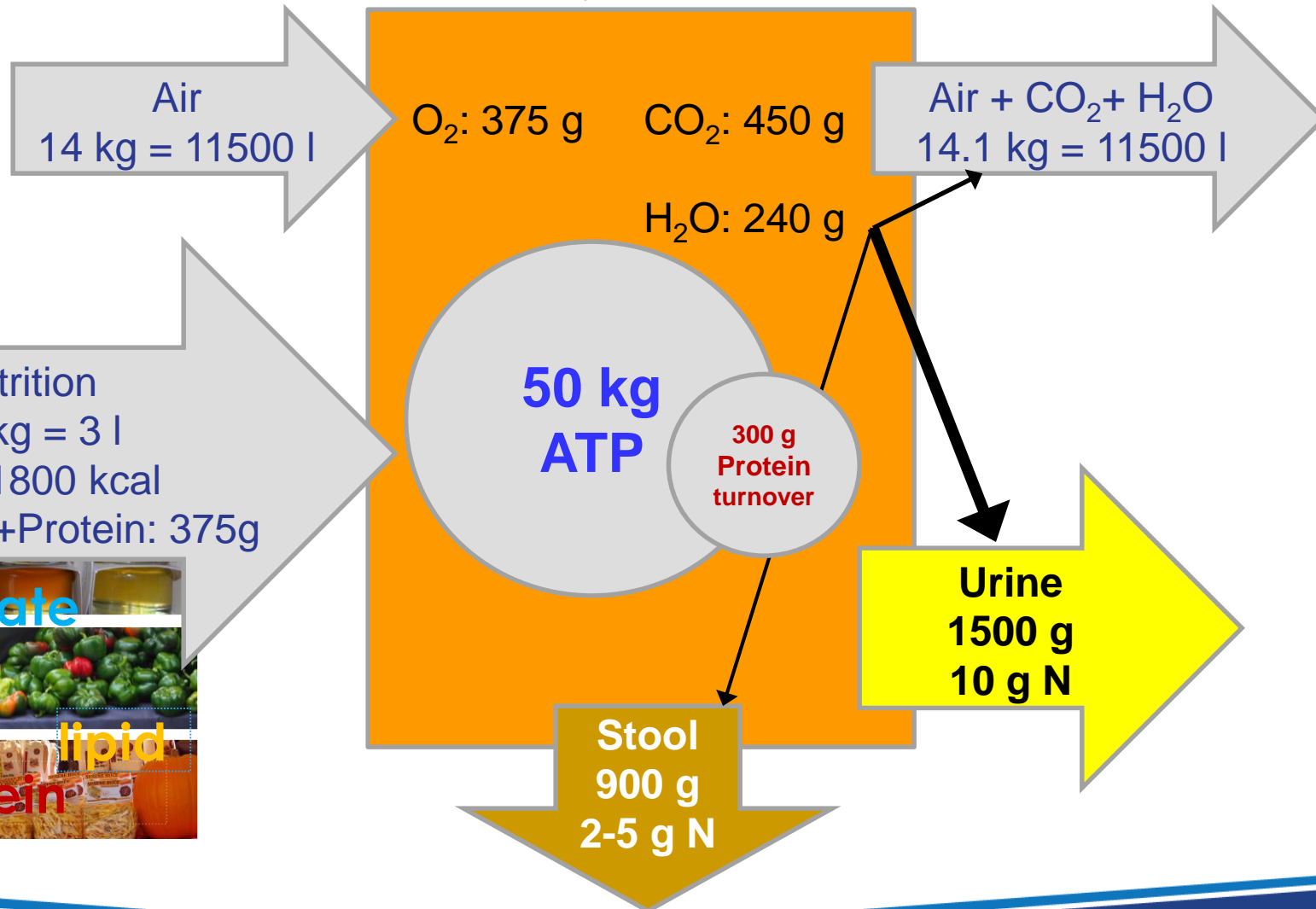
Lactate in muscle



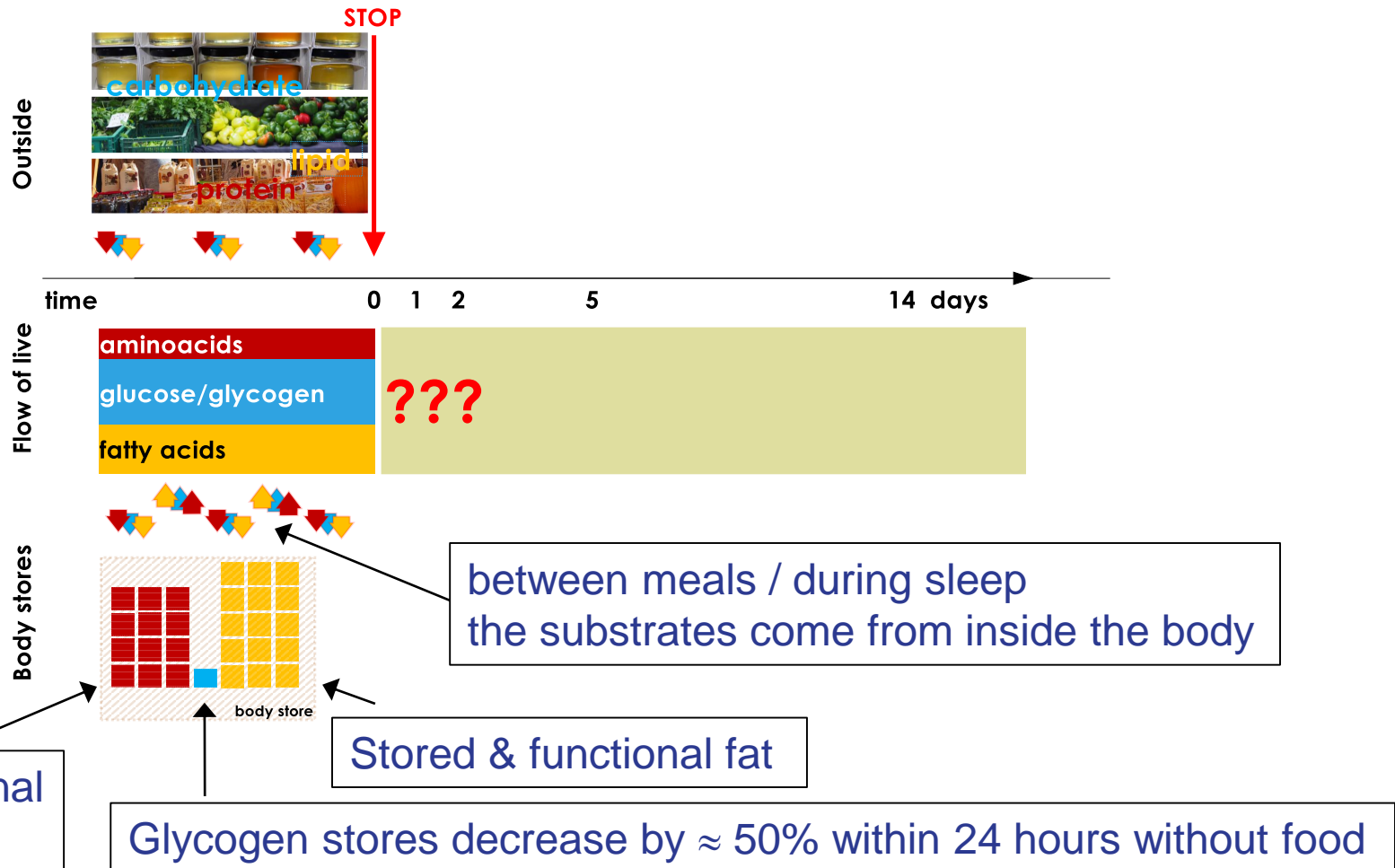
**ATP appears less
efficient after 15
seconds because
another energy
provider (CP) was
used initially**

Body mass balance

Human Body

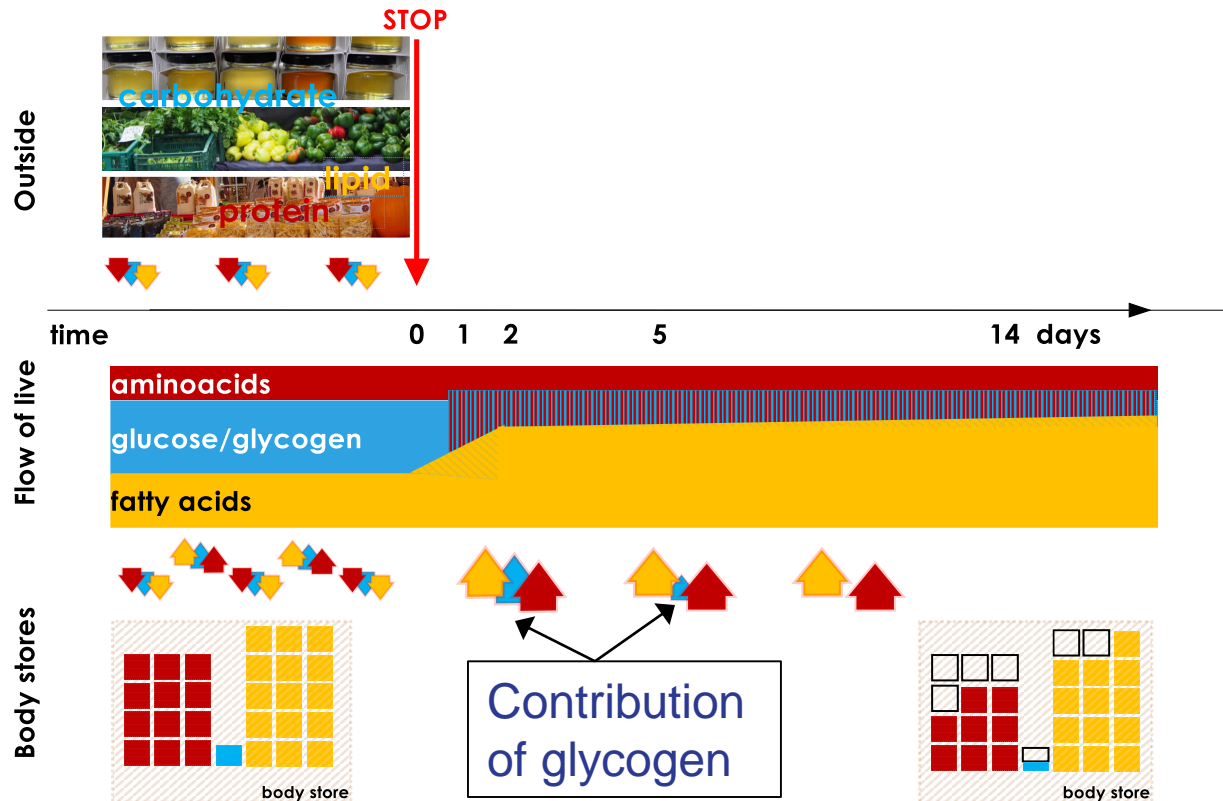


Phase 1: in daily life the body has reserves





Phase 2: feeding from inside

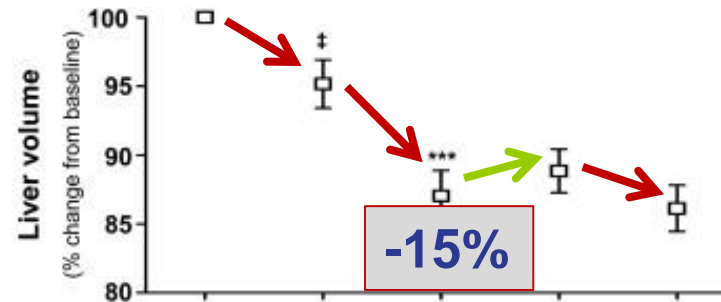


After 2 weeks without food: Glycogen store empty

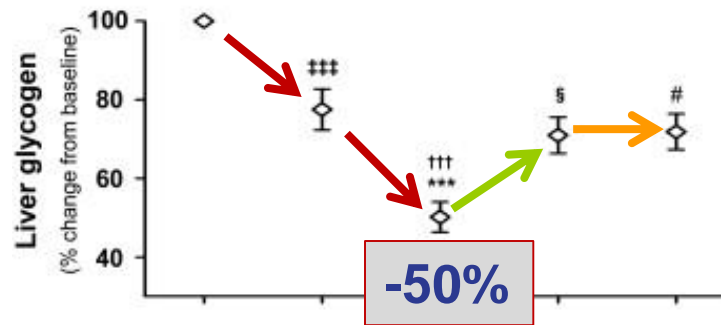
- 4 kg functional protein lost
- 2 kg fat lost

24 h Fasting & Refeeding

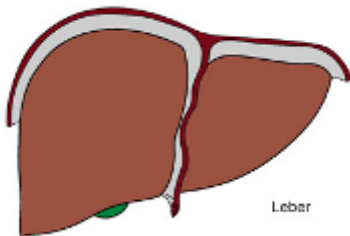
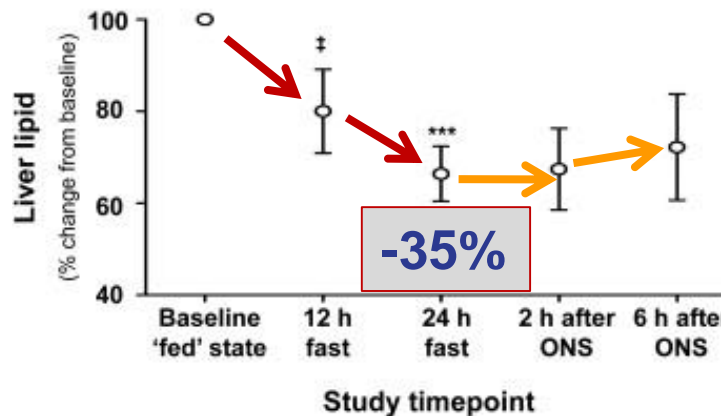
Volume



Glycogen

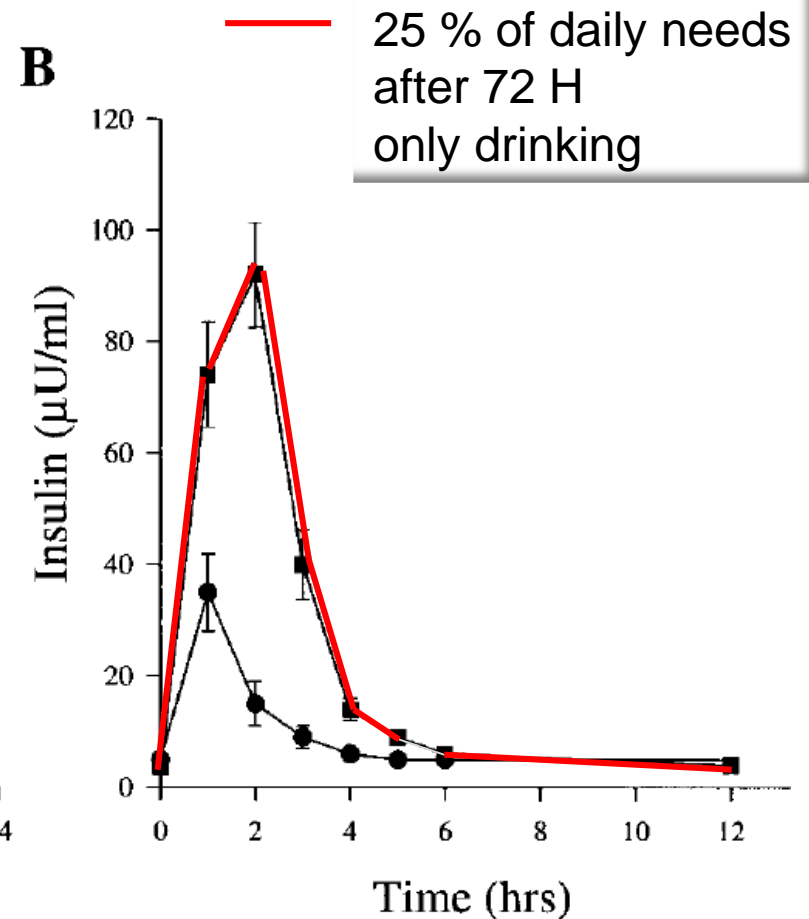
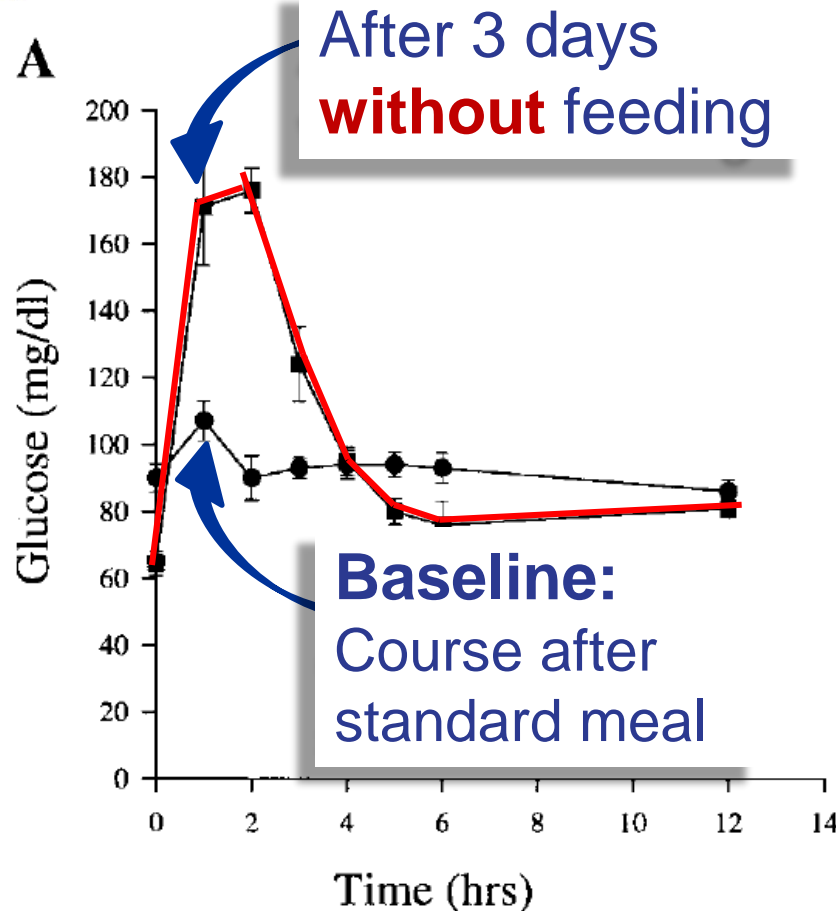


Lipid



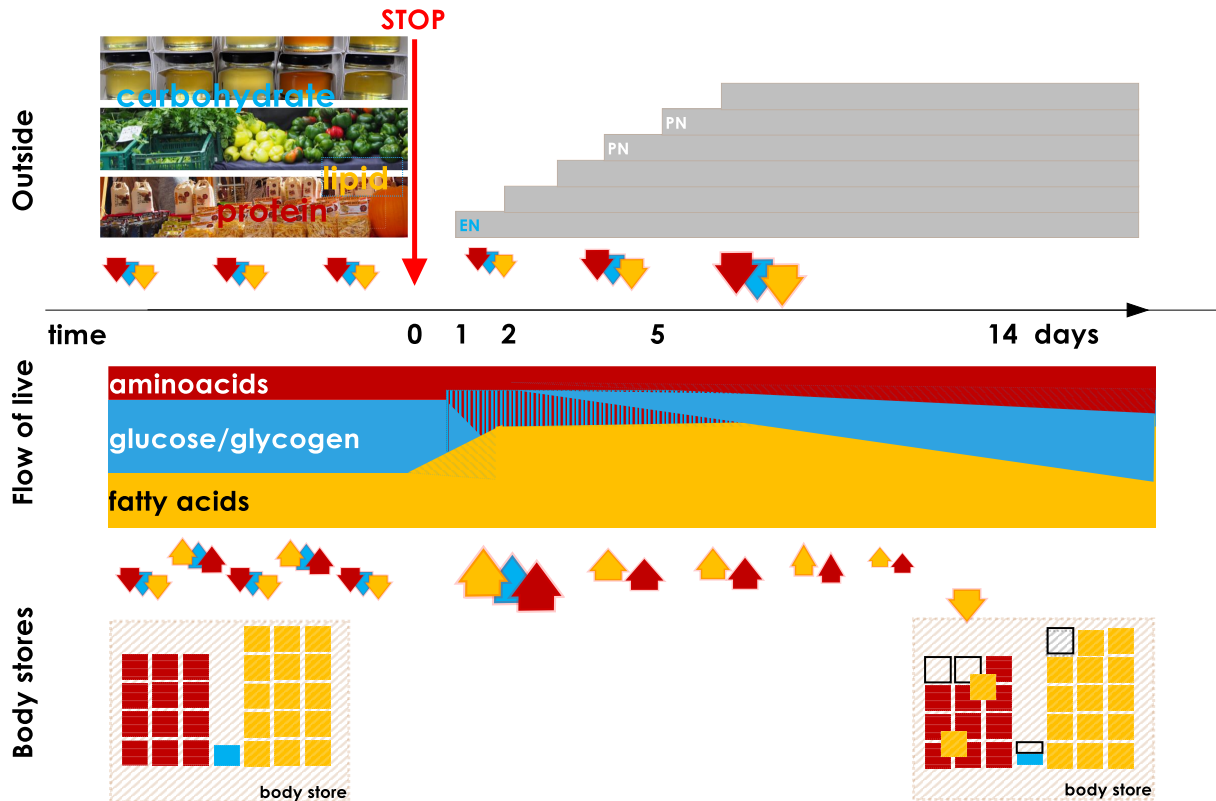
Awad et al Clin Nutr 2010; 29: 538

3 days no nutrition: induced insulin resistance



Horton et al. JAP 2001; 90:155-163

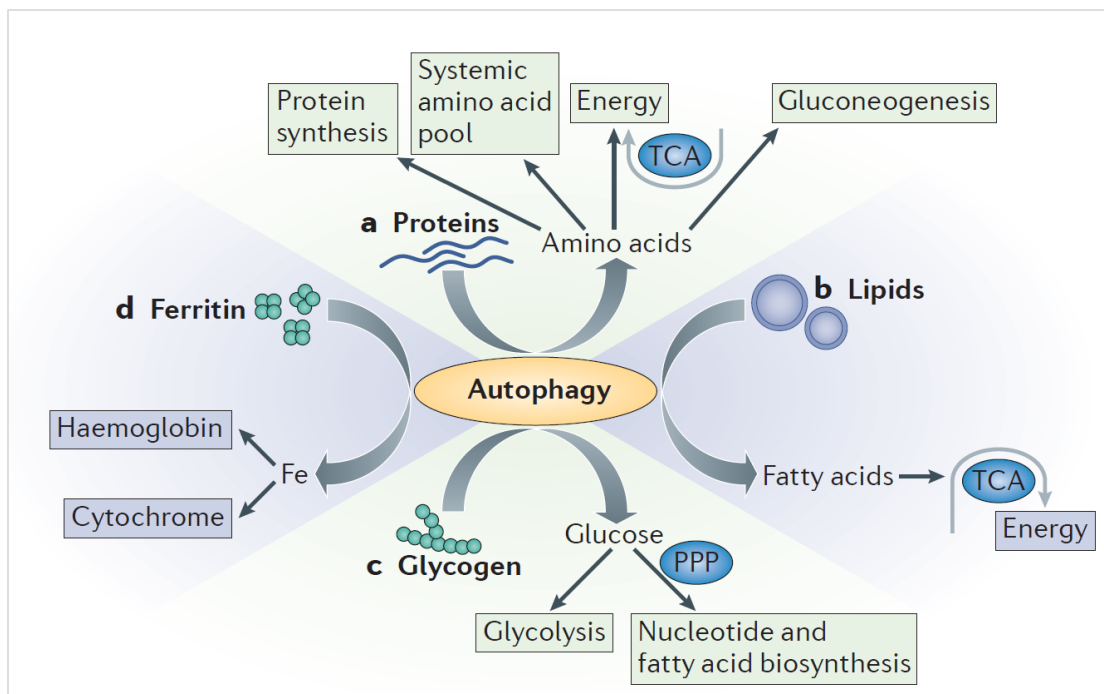
Step 3: ICU adaptive nutrition



With progressive „artificial nutrition“ (EN/PN) the feeding from inside the body program is progressively reduced and body loss is reduced

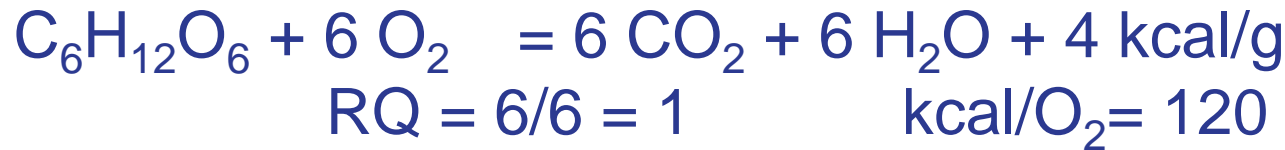
Autophagy at the crossroads of catabolism and anabolism

Jasvinder Kaur and Jayanta Debnath

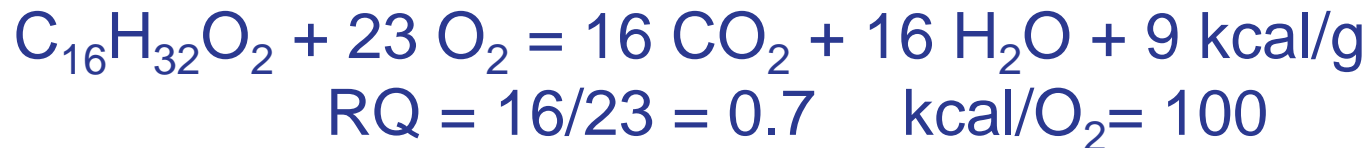


From substrate to energy

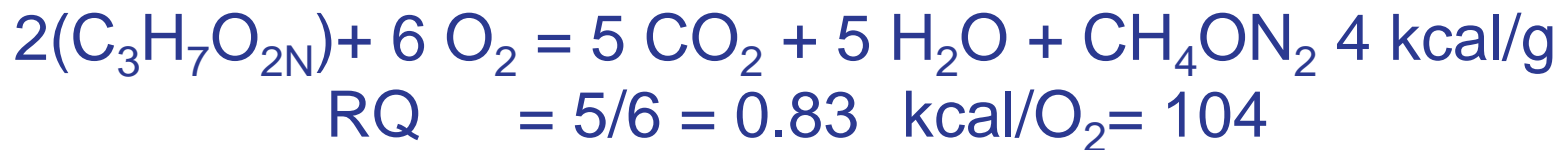
- **Glucose (180 g/mole)**



- **Fat (Palmitic acid 256 g/mole)**



- **Aminoacids (89-204 g/mol Alanin 89 g/mole)**



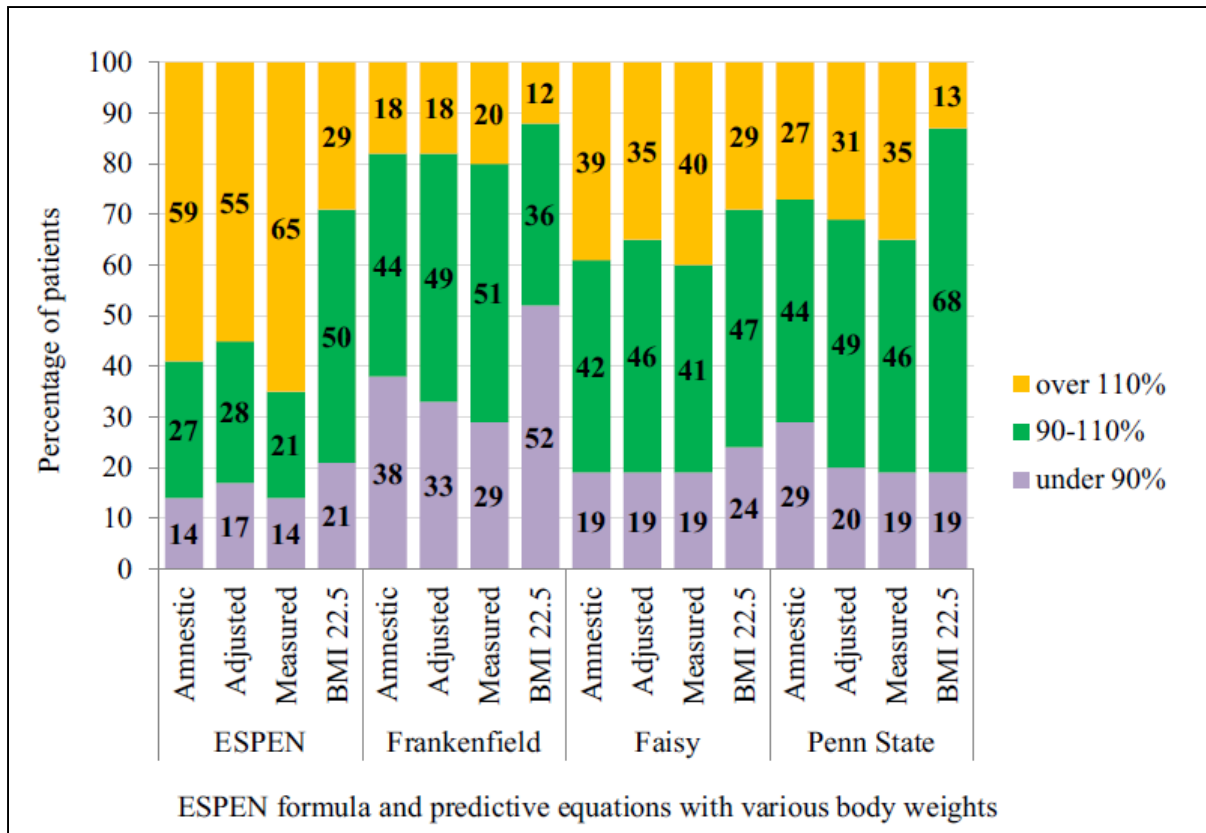
Formulae in evolution

Harris Benedict 1919	♂: $66.4730 + (13.7516 \times W) + (5.0033 \times H) - (6.7550 \times A)$ ♀: $655.0955 + (9.5634 \times W) + (1.8496 \times H) - (4.6756 \times A)$
Harris Benedict 1984	♂: $88.362 + (13.397 \times W) + (4.799 \times H) - (5.677 \times A)$ ♀: $447.593 + (9.247 \times W) + (3.098 \times H) - (4.33 \times A)$
Faisy-Fagon	$(8 \times W) + (14 \times H) + (32 \times V_m) + (94 \times T) - 4834$
Ireton-Jones 1992	$1925 - (10 \times A) + (5 \times W) + (281 \text{ if } \delta) + (292 \text{ if trauma present}) + (851 \text{ if burns present})$
Ireton-Jones 1997	$1784 - (11 \times A) + (5 \times W) + (244 \text{ if } \delta) + (239 \text{ if trauma present}) + (840 \text{ if burns present})$
Penn State 1998	$(1.1 \times \text{value of HBE}) + (140 \times T_{\max}) + (32 \times V_E) - 5340$
Penn State 2003	$(0.85 \times \text{value of HBE}) + (175 \times T_{\max}) + (33 \times V_E) - 6433$
Penn State 2003b	Mifflin $(0.96) + T_{\max} (167) + V_e (31) - 6212$ Mifflin: Men: $10(W) + 6.25(H) - 5(A) + 5$
Penn State 2010	Mifflin $(0.71) + V_E (64) + T_{\max} (85) - 3085$ Women: $10(W) + 6.25(H) - 5(A) - 16$
Swinamer	$(945 \times BSA) - (6.4 \times A) + (108 \times T) + (24.2 \times RR) + (817 \times V_T) - 4349$
American College of Chest Physicians (ACCP) recommendation	$25 \times W$ – if BMI 16-25 kg/m ² use usual body W – if BMI > 25 kg/m ² use ideal body W – if BMI < 16 kg/m ² use existing body W for the first 7-10 days, then use IBW
ESICM '98 statement	Caloric target = caloric need \times corrected IBW
	Formula for calculating IBW
	♂: $50 + [0.91 \times (H - 152.4)]$
	♀: $45.5 + [0.91 \times (H - 152.4)]$
	Corrected IBW
	If BMI < 18.5 $(IBW + \text{actual body W}) / 2$
	If BMI 18.5 – 27 IBW
	If BMI > 27 $IBW \times 1.2$
	Caloric need (kcal/kg/day)
	♀ ♂
	A ≤ 60 years 30 36
	A > 60 years 24 30

♂: male; ♀: female; W: weight (kg); H: height (cm); A: age (years); V_m: minute ventilation (L/min); T: body temperature (°C); BSA: body surface area (m²); HBE: Harris Benedict equation; T_{max}: maximum body temperature in the past 24 h (°C); RR: respiratory rate (breaths/min); IBW: ideal body weight (kg); BMI: body mass index (kg/m²); V_E: minute volume (L/min); V_T: tidal volume (L).

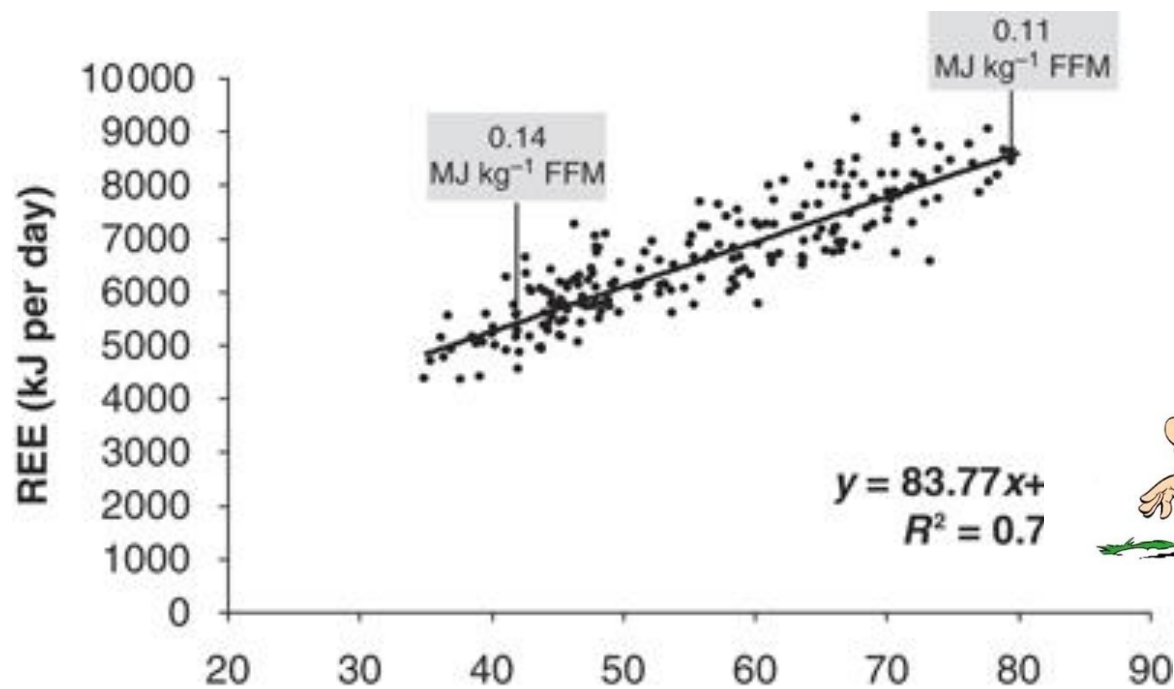
Multiple formula cannot overcome the problem that weight in ICU patients does not represent the mix of activity and „shut down“ of organs & tissues

Formula & weight: a trick to be more precise



Whatever „trick“ is applied > 50% of energy estimates are out of range.

FFM & REE:



Muscle mass

Organ mass

FFM	30–40 kg	40–50 kg	50–60 kg	60–70 kg	70–80 kg
MM (kg)	16.74	20.83	26.57	31.59	36.05
OM (kg)	2.53	2.82	3.05	3.37	3.64
MM/OM	6.59	7.44	8.09	9.43	9.94

How much energy consumes an intact organ?

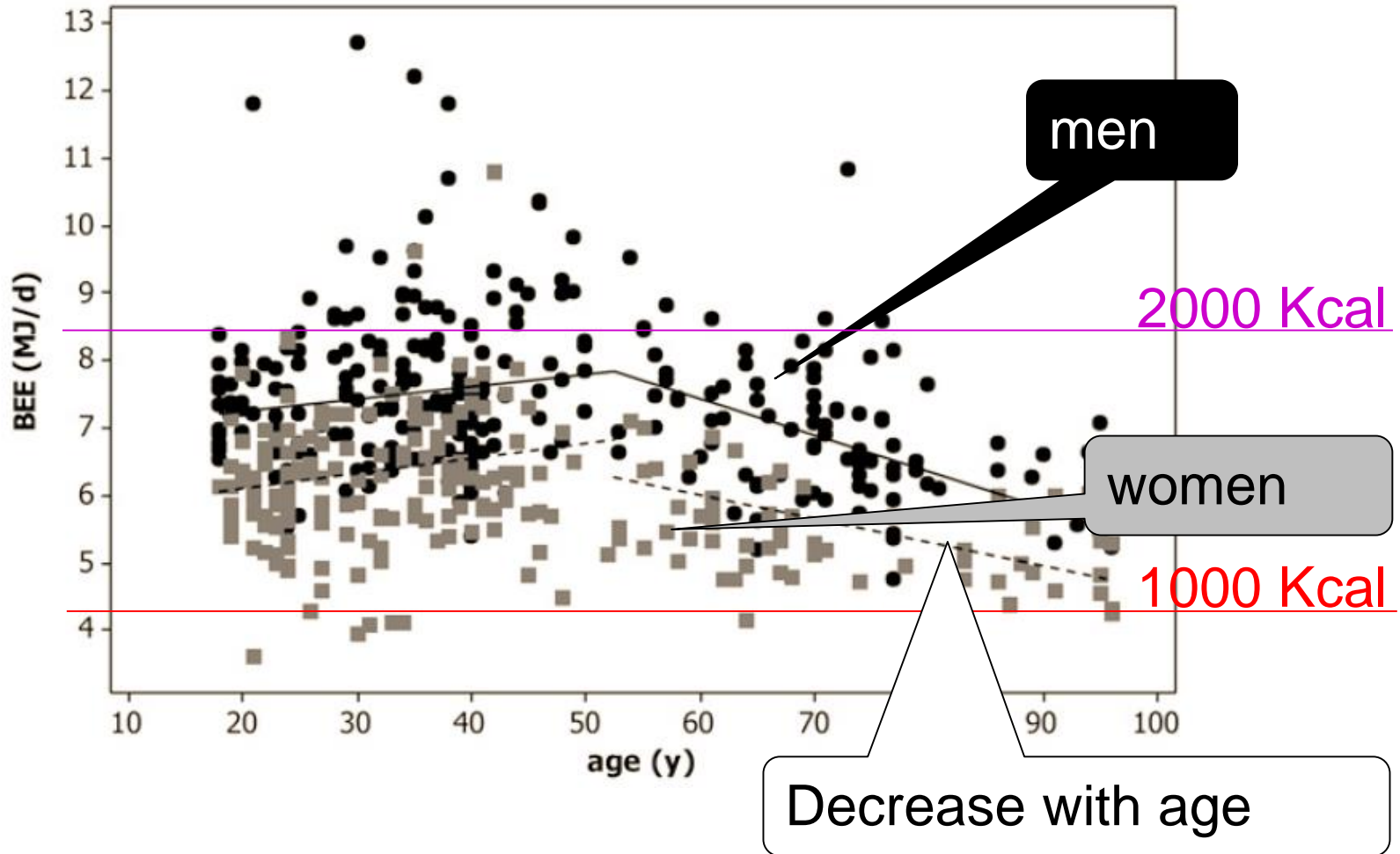
5% of body weight

	organ REE	organ weight
• heart	x 440 (Kcal/kg)	x 0.3 = 150 Kcal
• kidneys	x 440	x 0.3 = 150
• brain	x 240	x 1.3 = 330
• liver+	x 200	x 2.0 = 400
• muscle	x 13	x 20.0 = 300
• rest mass	x 7	x 20.0 = 140
• fat	x 4.5	x 20.0 = 90
• Bones	x 2.0	x 8.0 = 16
		$\Sigma = 1576$

66% of total energy

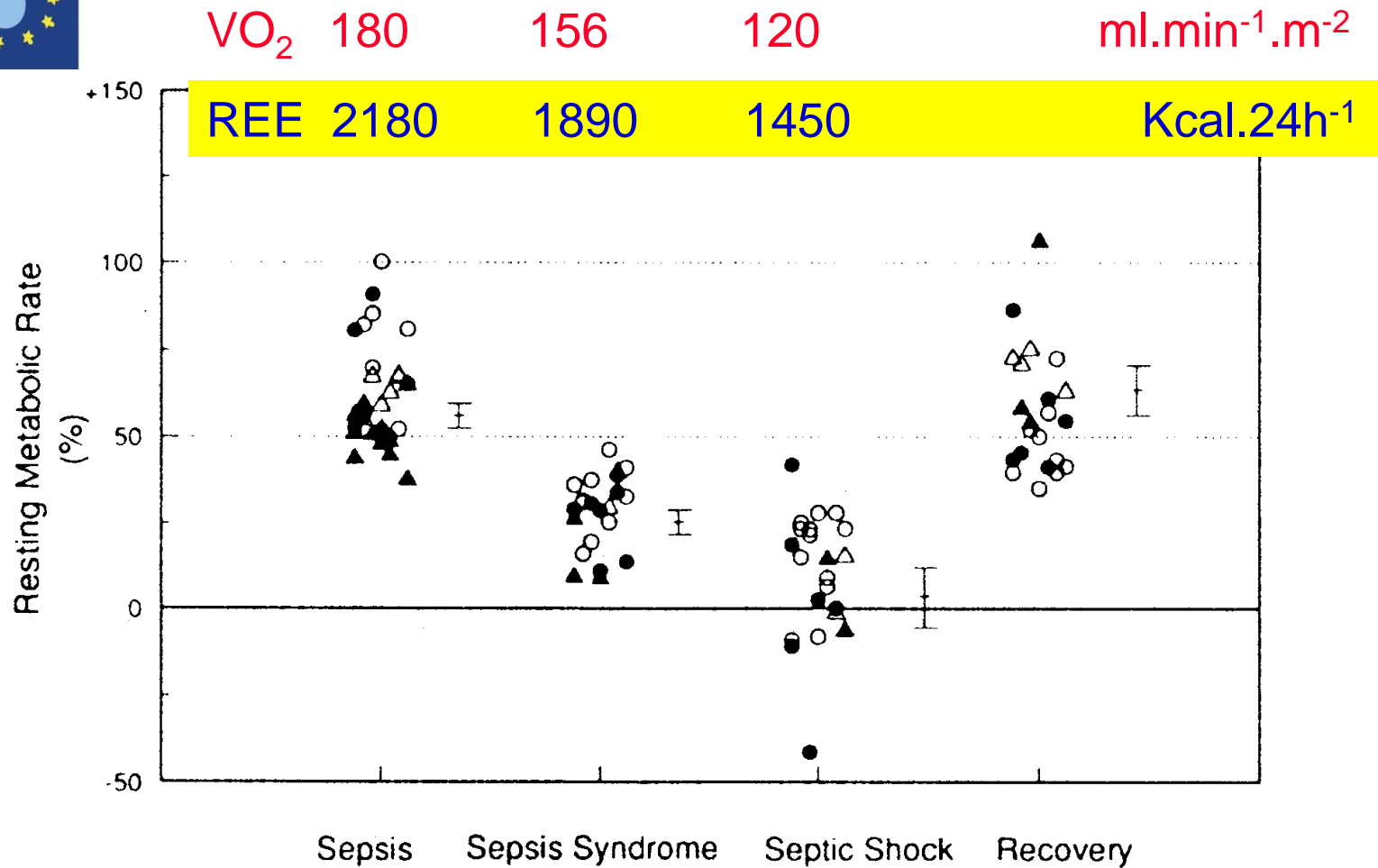
Leibel et al. Metabolism 1984; 33:164-170 & Wang et al.
Am J Physiol Endocrinol Metab 2000; 279: E539-E545

Basal energy use versus age & gender



Speakman & Westerterp, Am J Clin Nutr 2010; 92: 826-834

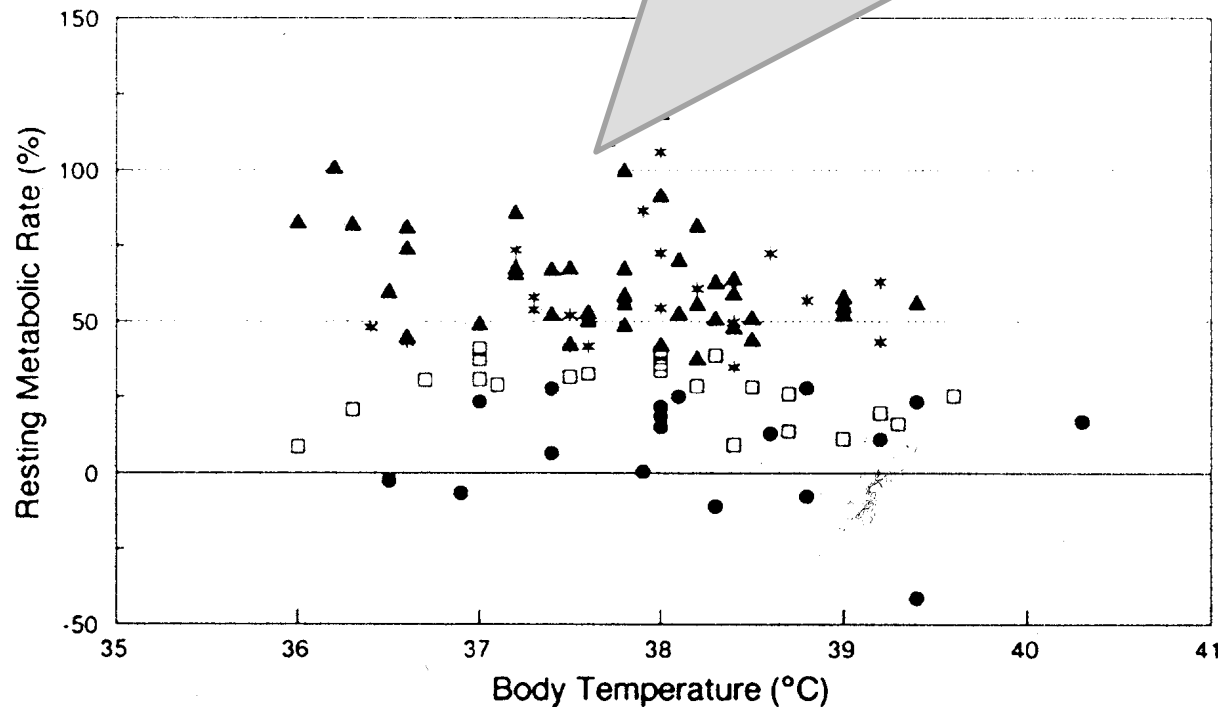
Metabolic rate in sepsis



Kreymann et al. Crit Care Med 1993; 21: 1012-19

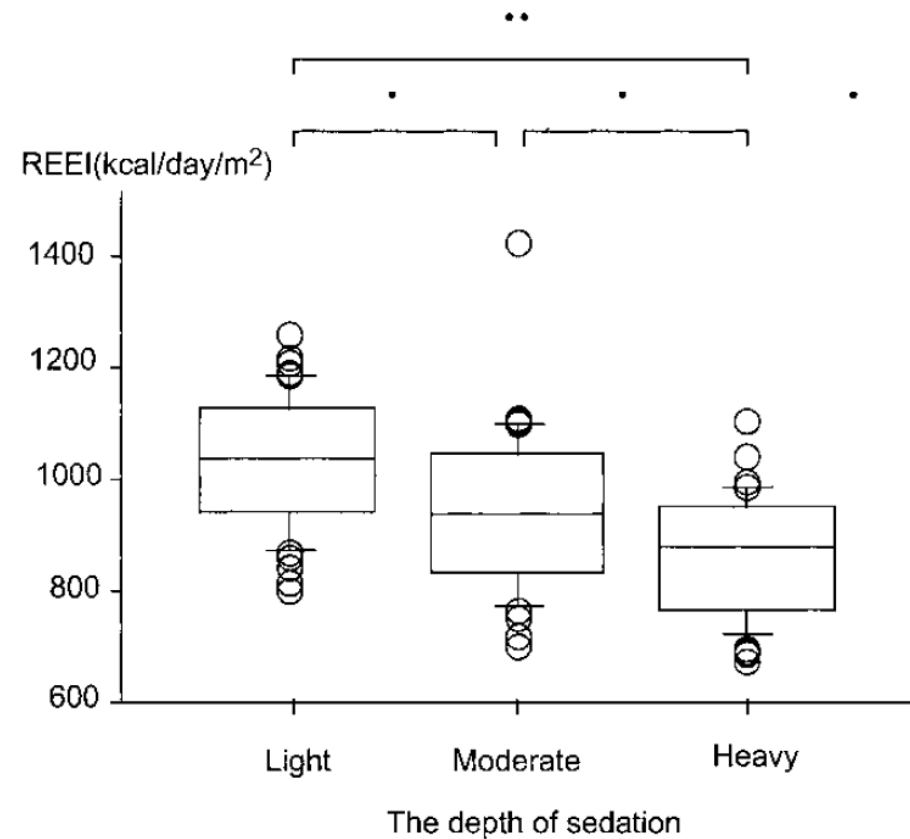
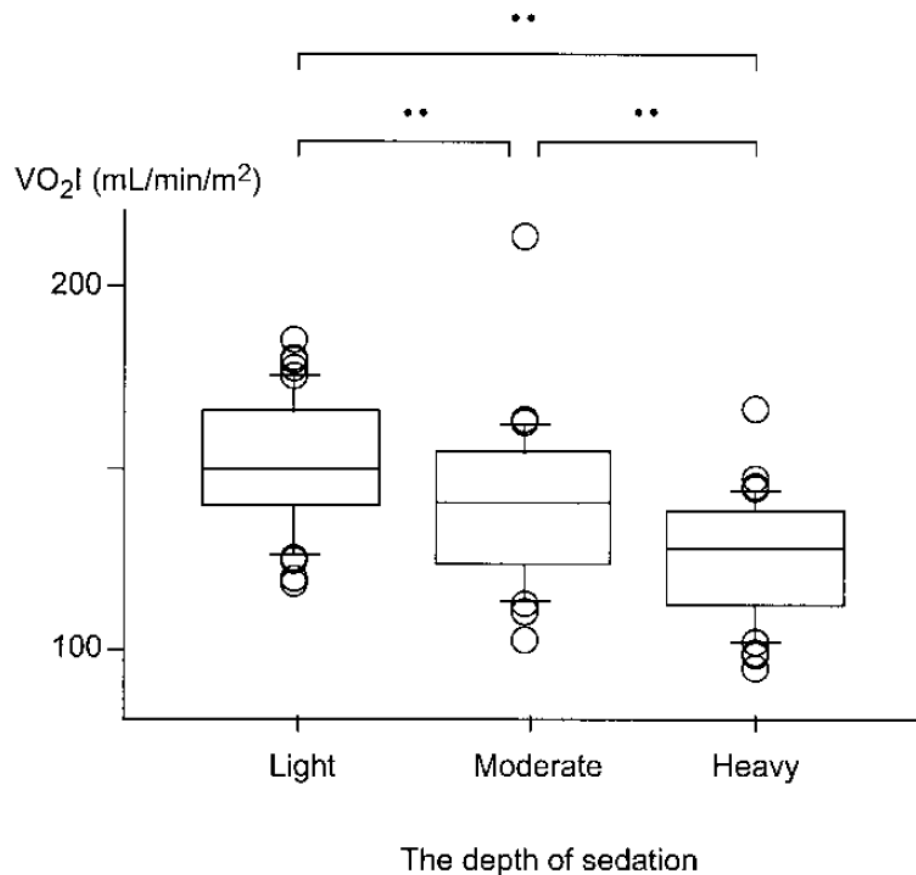
Metabolic rate & temperature in sepsis

None of the sepsis states was associated with an increase of REE when temperature increased
2 factors: centralisation / proton leakage



Kreymann et al. Crit Care Med 1993; 21: 1012-19

ICU treatment modifies energy production/consumption: level of sedation



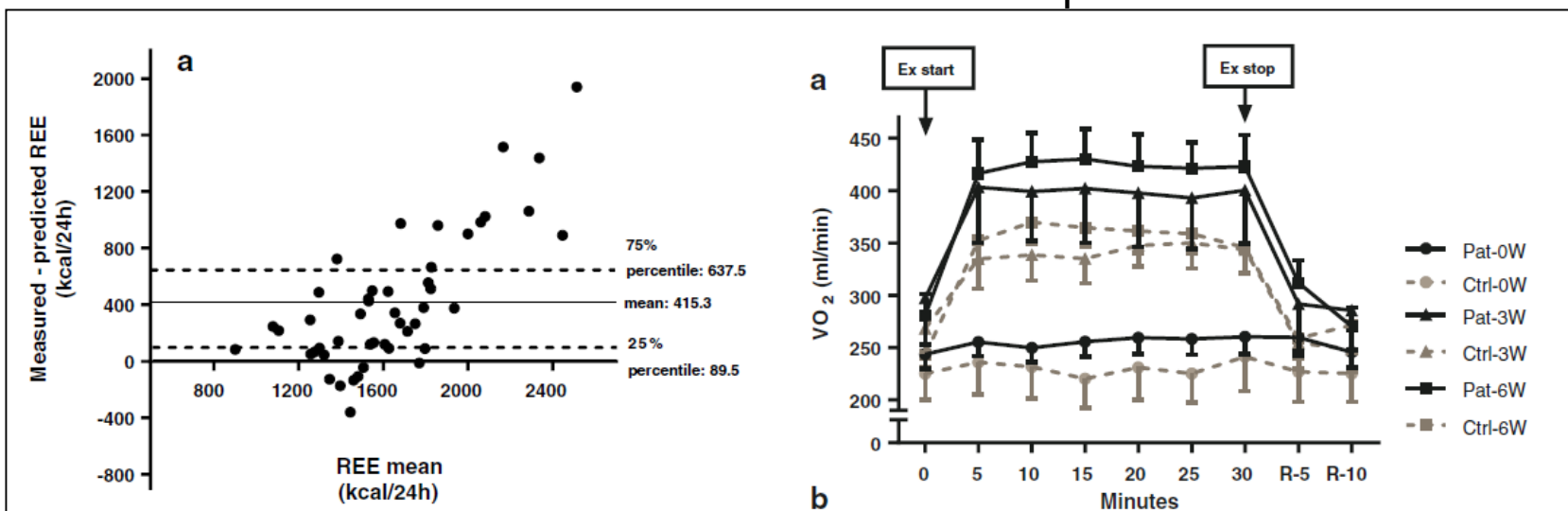
Terao Y et al Crit Care Med 2003; 31: 830-3.



Exercise increases energy consumption



Comparison with HBE



Minimal exercise (3/6W) necessitates **more** energy than in controls

Extra energy of 30 min exercise: 4.5 l VO₂ or 30 Kcal

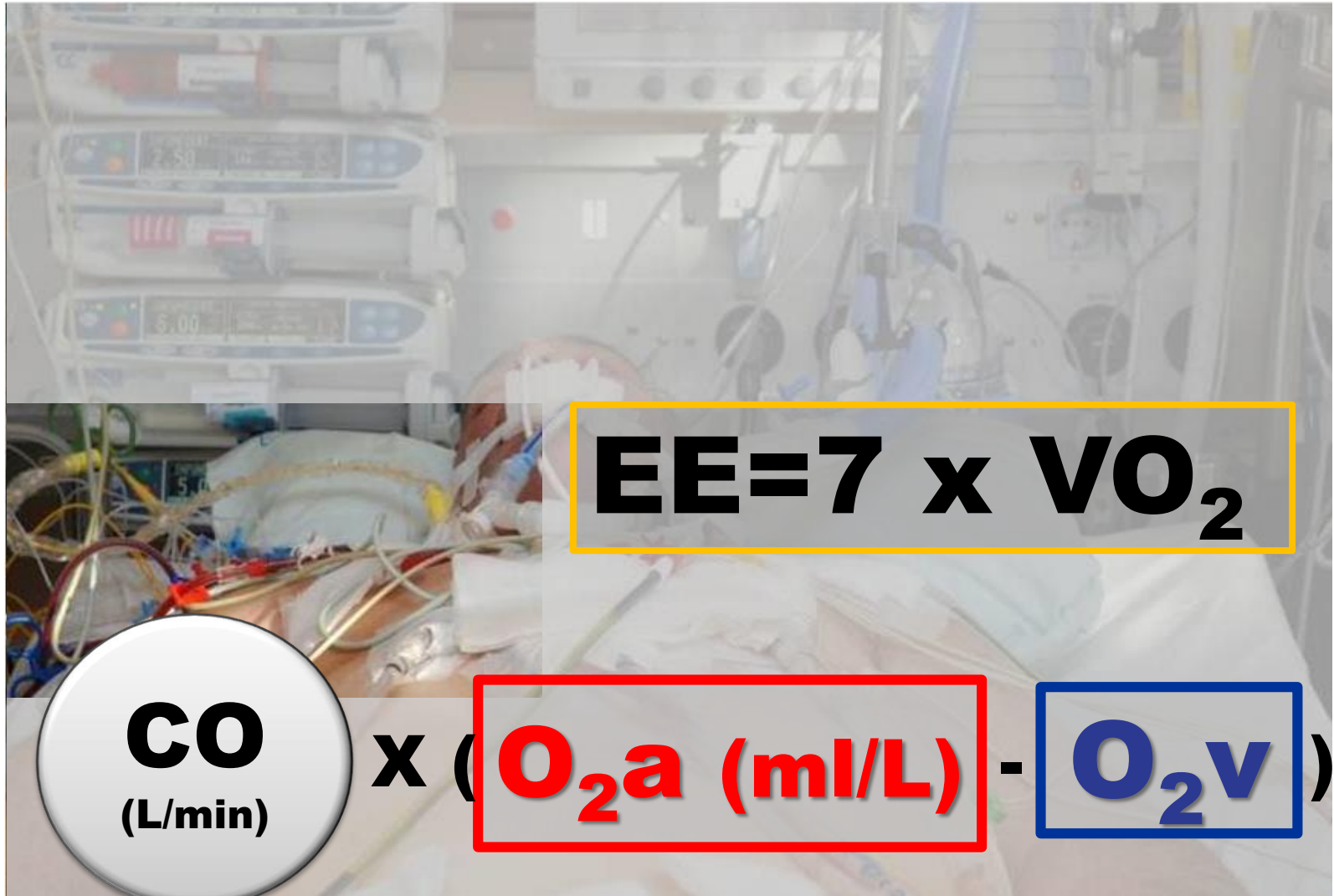
Exercise in ICU is often of short duration (fatigue)

A complex city as an analogy



Activity (metabolic) can be determined by observing how much fuel is transported in and what remains on the train on the way out. Alternatively you observe the waste (smoke). Observing exported products ignores internal activity.

USE of the Swan-Ganz catheter for metabolic orientation



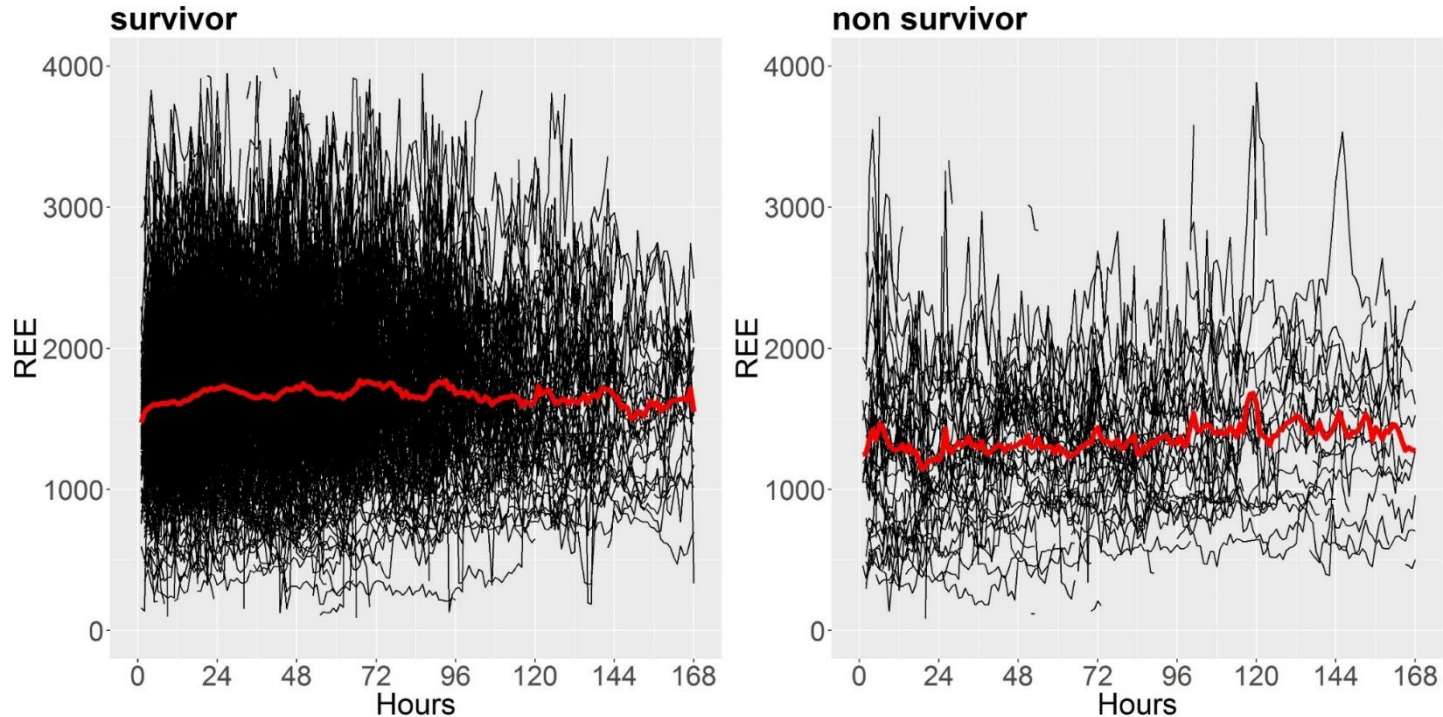
$$EE = 7 \times VO_2$$

CO
(L/min)

$$\times (O_{2a} \text{ (ml/L)} - O_{2v})$$

REE

(...VO₂ from PulmArtCath) after major cardiac surgery in ICU



Nearly stable energy consumption during the first week in ICU, small fluctuations with a period of 24 hours indicating phases of more/less rest

Hiesmayr M (personal communication 2018)

USE of a specific device for metabolic measurement

$$\begin{aligned} &V_E \\ &F_E CO_2 \\ &F_I O_2 \text{ \& } F_E O_2 \end{aligned}$$

V_E is determined either with a mixing chamber or with a flowmeter breath by breath.

The difficulty is the synchronisation of the measured gas concentrations with the expiratory flow.

$F_I O_2$ appears to fluctuate in some ventilators.



Indirect calorimetry: the calculations

CO₂ fast infrared sensor
Only 1 Volume

$$\begin{aligned} V \text{ CO}_2 &= V_E \cdot F_E \text{ CO}_2 \\ V \text{ O}_2 &= (V_I \cdot F_I \text{ O}_2 - V_E \cdot F_E \text{ O}_2) \end{aligned}$$

easier measurement
difficult measurement!

O₂ slow sensor, 2 concentrations (F_iO₂ & F_eO₂), usually with one sensor
2 gas volumes necessary: V_I estimated via Haldane transformation

Respiratory indirect calorimetry (Weir):

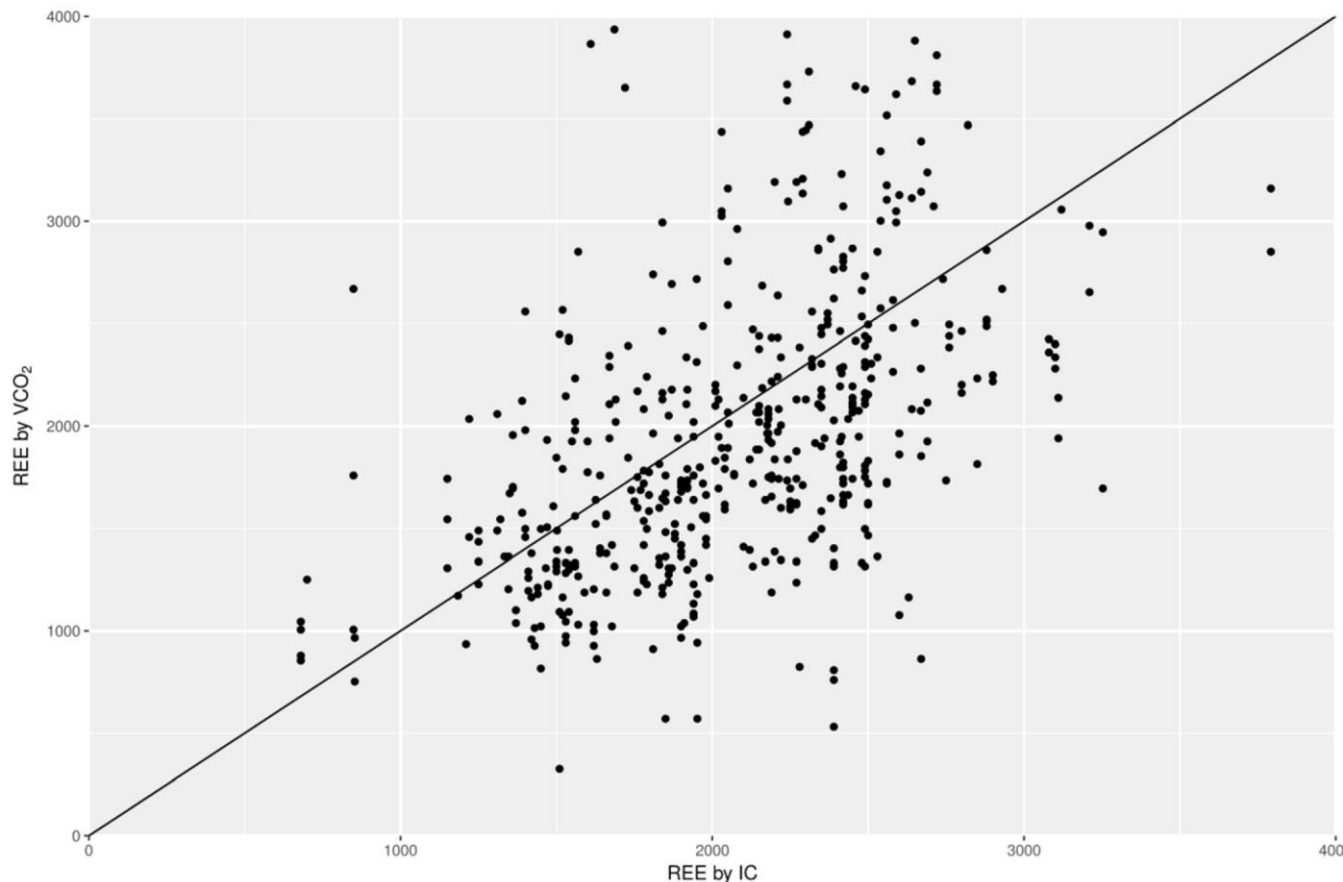
$$\text{EE} = 1.44 (3.94 \times \text{VO}_2 + 1.11 \times \text{VCO}_2 - 2.17 \times \text{N}_{\text{loss}})$$

[ml/min] [ml/min] [g]

!!! (*FiO₂ < 0.6, Flow exp < 40 [80] l/min*) **Error 5-8%**

estimate $\text{EE} = 1.44 (4.86 \times \text{RQ}^{-1} \times \text{VCO}_2) \approx 8 * \text{VCO}_2$ **Error variable (?) 20 %**
(from ventilator measurements)

REE: IC vs VCO_2 (ventilator: volumetric capnography)



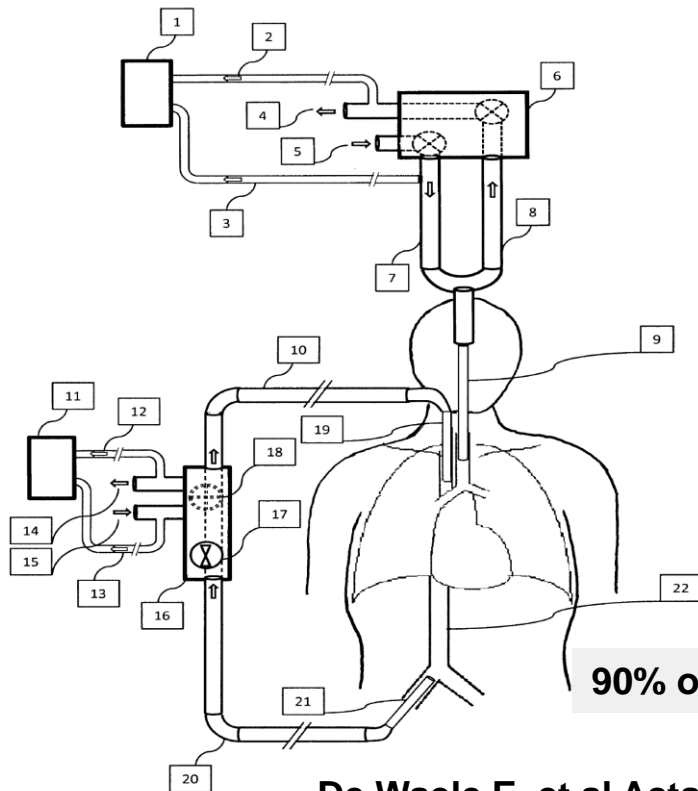
3100 Kcal on indirect calorimetry

- Patient: male 80 kg 185 cm 72 a temp 37.3°C ruptured AAA repair with large transfusion
 - Day 6 in ICU
 - Arousable on minimal continuous opioids
 - CRP 12 falling
 - Pressure support (11mbar) ventilation 9 Liter/‘
 - Ileus / IAP 15 mbar / GRV 450 ml
 - Nearly anuric / CRRT
 - Trophic feeding + PN 1500 Kcal/24 hours
- **Impossible!**

Indirect Calorimetry: conditions?

- Stability for 30 minutes
- No change in drugs(all ?)
 - Vasoactive
 - Sedation/pain
 - Fluid
- Postprandial/fasted?
- $FiO_2 < 0.6$
- $PEEP < 14$ (PIP???)
- No leak
- No CRRT ? 1.5-4% underestimation?
- No ECMO ?

ECMO: full double IC calorimetry for the patient & the ECMO circuit



90% of gas exchange via ECMO

Applying the Weir formula on the combined data produced a $REE_{\text{composite}}$ of 1703 kcal/day. Implementing the manual-derived VO_2 and VCO_2 membrane oxygenator characteristics into the Weir formula retrieved a REE of 1729 kcal/day. The Faisy-Fagon and Harris-Benedict equations yielded REE values of 1373 and 1563 kcal/d. Application of the ESPEN guideline estimated REE in our patient at 1675 kcal/d.

De Waele E. et al Acta Anaesth Scand 2015; 59: 1296-1305

ECMO: IC + Calculation



MEEP – Measuring Energy expenditure (EE) in Extracorporeal lung support

Lung measurement

- Use indirect calorimetry to measure
 - $VO2_{lung}$ [ml/min] by the lung
 - $VCO2_{lung}$ [ml/min] by the lung



ECMO calculation

- Take **BGAs** from blood stream **pre and post** the ECMO membrane
- Use the **model published by Dash and Bassingthwaite** to determine O₂ and CO₂ content in blood pre and post ECMO membrane
 - Dash available from: www.physiome.org (model 0149)
 - O₂ difference [ml/l] = O₂Dash (BGA_{post}) – O₂Dash (BGA_{pre})
 - CO₂ difference [ml/l] = CO₂Dash (BGA_{pre}) - CO₂Dash (BGA_{post})
- $VO2_{ECMO}$ [ml/min] = O₂ difference [ml/l] x ECMO blood flow [l/min]
- $VCO2_{ECMO}$ [ml/min] = CO₂ difference [ml/l] x ECMO blood flow [l/min]

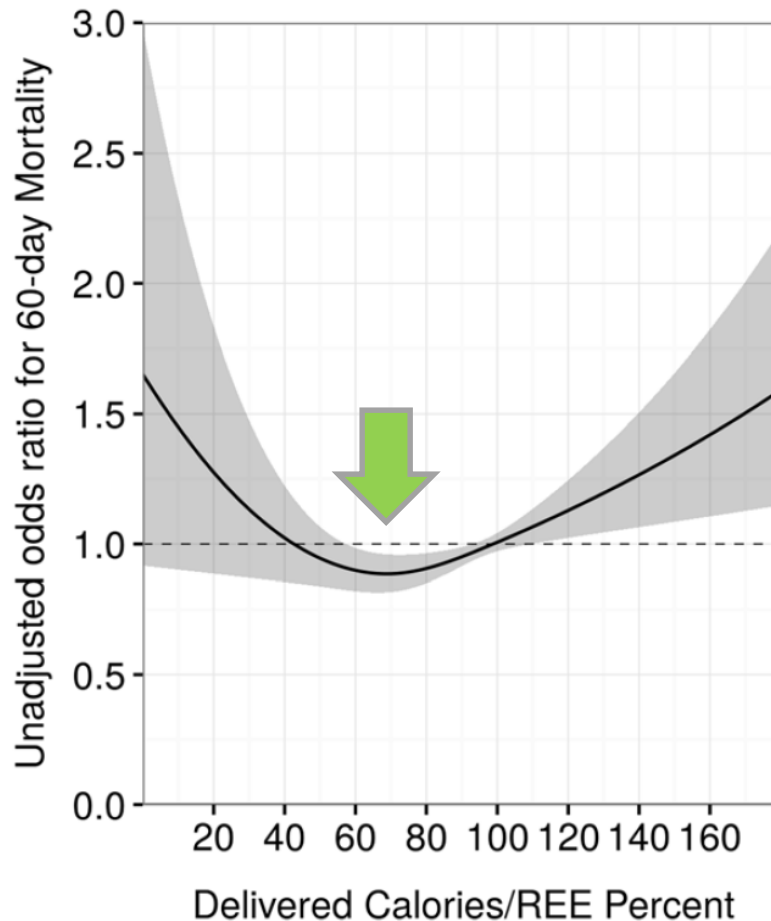
Calculate the total O₂ uptake and total CO₂ elimination:

$$VO2_{total} [ml/min] = VO2_{lung} [ml/min] + VO2_{ECMO} [ml/min]$$

$$VCO2_{total} [ml/min] = VCO2_{lung} [ml/min] + VCO2_{ECMO} [ml/min]$$

- Use $VO2_{total}$ and $VCO2_{total}$ to calculate EE per day by Weir:
 - $EE [kcal/d] = (3.9 \times VO2_{total} [ml/min] + 1.1 \times VCO2_{total} [ml/min]) \times 1.44$

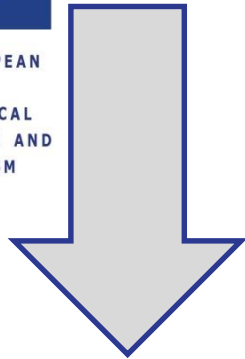
REE vs substrate provision: outcome at 60 days



Best outcome at substrate
supply for 70% of measured
REE

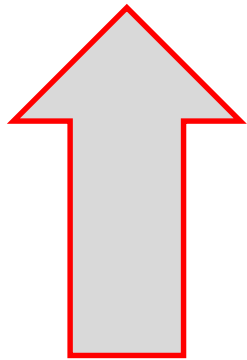
means that 30% of
substrates are endogenously
produced in the critically ill
and are not suppressed at
this stage of illness
by artificial nutrition provided
at REE.

ICU: energy factors



- Sedation
- Pain treatment
- Muscle relaxants
- Antiphlogistic
- Antipyretic

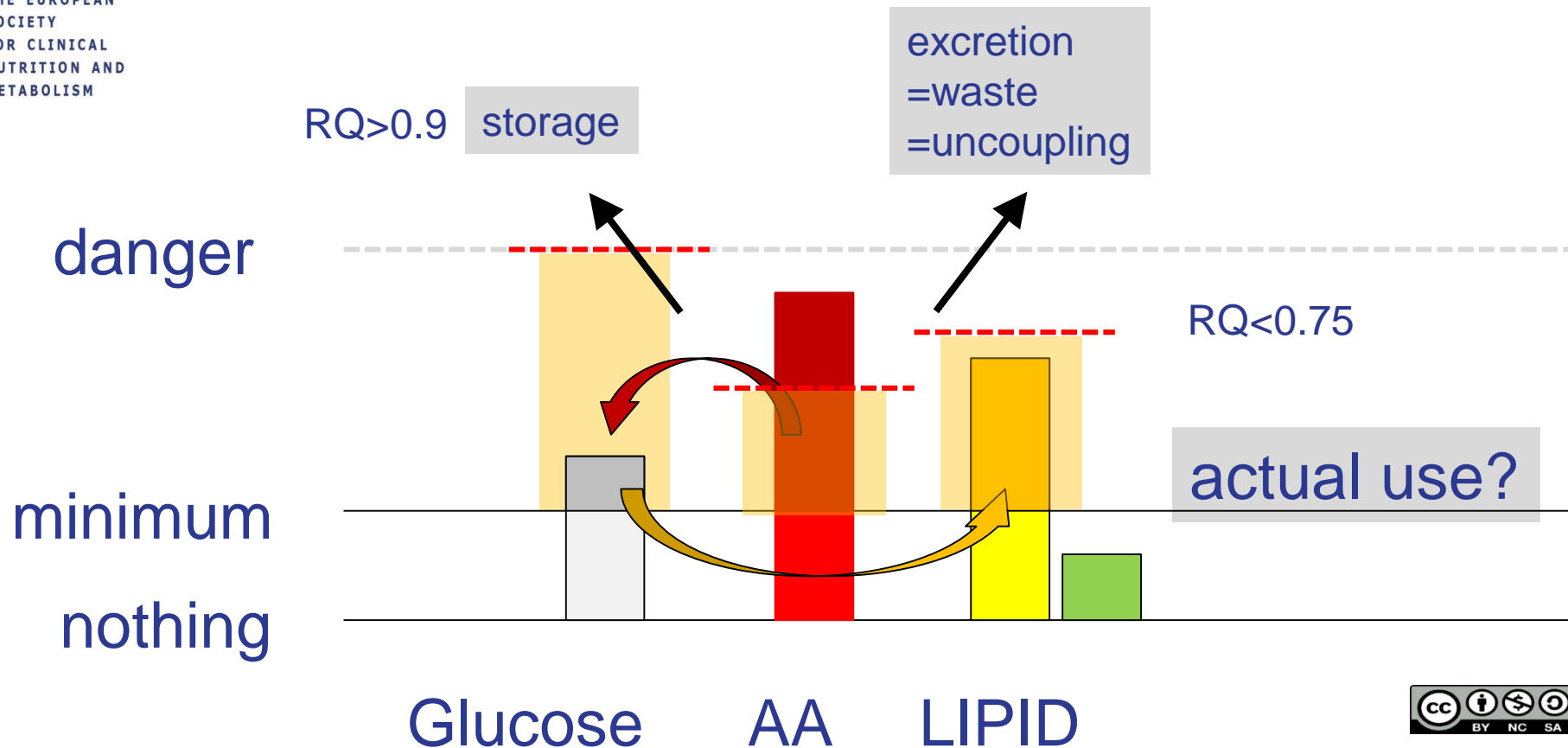
- Shock
- Vasoconstriction
- Organ loss
- Organ dysfunction



- Awakening
- Dyspnea
- Weaning
- Shivering
- Seizures
- Delirium

- Inflammation
- Fever
- Wounds
- Organ repair
- Physiotherapy

Correct amount of macronutrients in disease states?



Conclusion

Energy = ATP production is depressed in ICU patients.

Substrates (CHO/Lipid/Protein(AA)) are the fuel to produce ATP in oxydative phosphorylation

Many factors modify energy consumption in ICU: treatments and organ priorities

Measurement is better than all formula but does only suggest the amount of fuel needed in the actual clinical state

Extreme amount of fuel can impair endogenous repair mechanism (mitophagy/autophagy)