

Lifestyle Factors and Breast Cancer Risk

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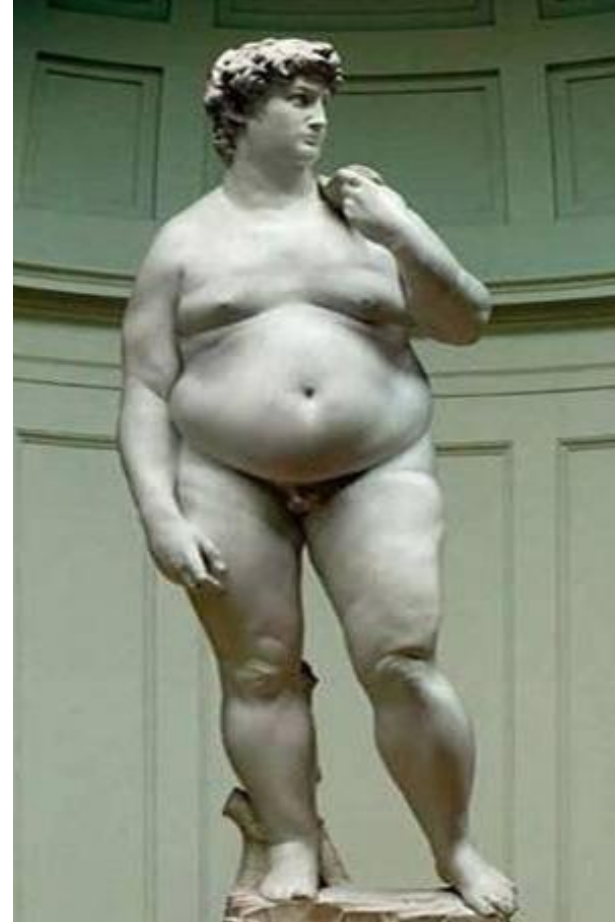
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Body Size and Breast Cancer Risk

	<u>Adverse</u>	<u>No Effect</u>	<u>Protective</u>
Current BMI	<p>Postmenopausal E+ P+ HR 1.7 (Suzuki 2009)</p> <p>Premenopausal E- P- H- HR 1.43 (Pierobon 2013)</p>	<p>Postmenopausal E- P- HR 0.90 (Suzuki 2009)</p> <p>Postmenopausal E- P- H- HR 0.99 (Pierobon 2013)</p> <p>Premenopausal E- P- HR 1.03 (Suzuki 2009)</p>	<p>Premenopausal E+ P+ HR 0.80 (Suzuki 2009)</p>
Adult Weight Gain	<p>E+P+ HR 2.03 E-P- HR 1.34 (Vrieling 2010)</p>		
Birth Size	<p>E+ P+ HR 1.16 (Hurley 2011)</p>	<p>E- P- HR 1.03 (Hurley 2011)</p>	

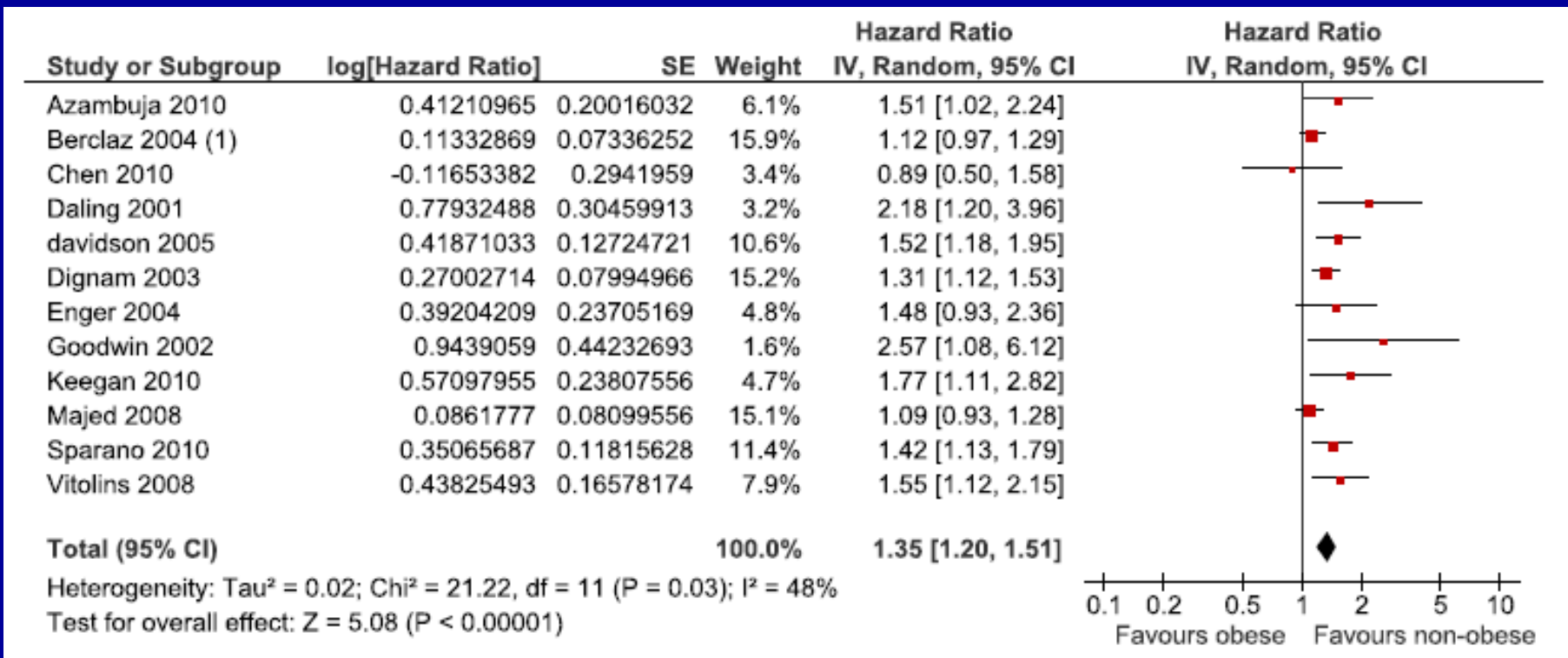
Obesity and Survival in Breast Cancer

Meta-Analysis

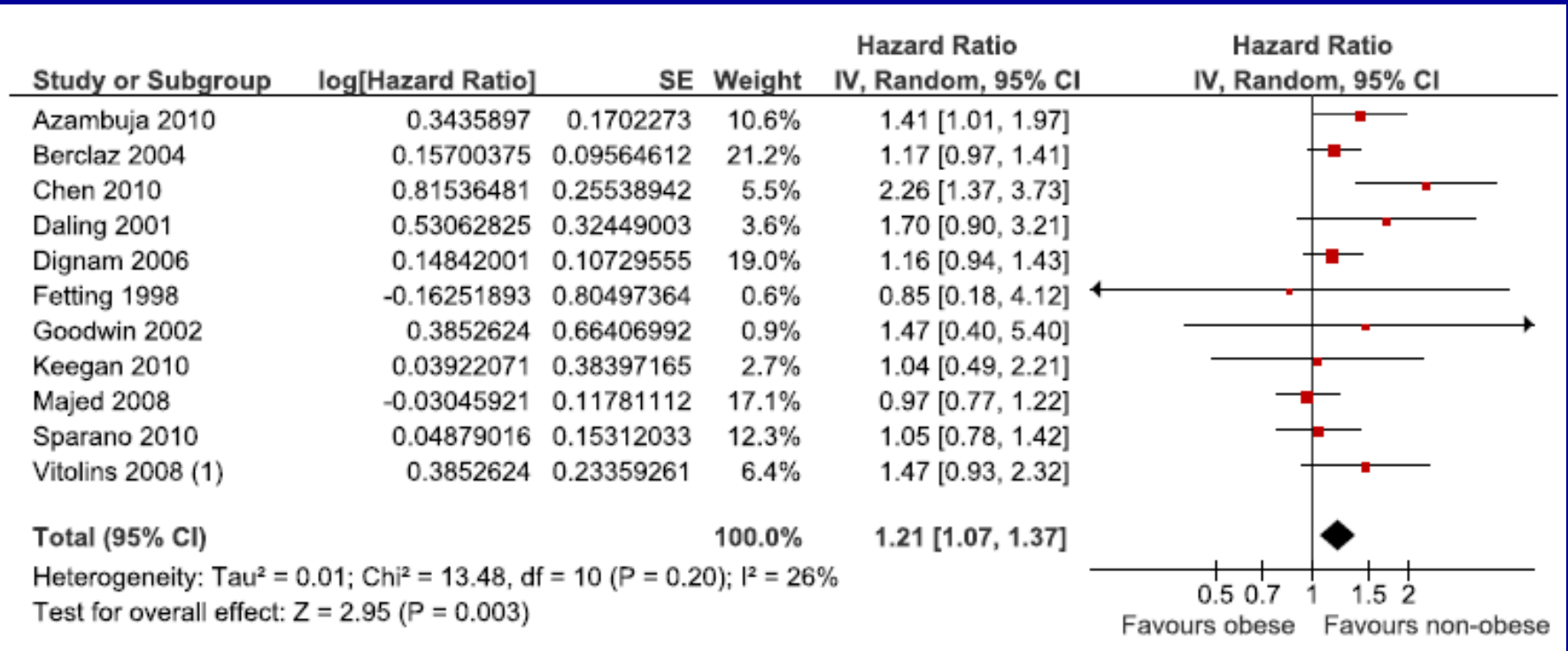
- 43 studies published 1963-2005
- comparison of obese vs. non-obese subjects

<u>Subgroup</u>	<u>No. of estimates</u>	<u>Pooled HR (95% CI)</u>	<u>P-value</u>
Survival measure			
All-cause	36	1.33 (1.21-1.47)	0.91
Breast cancer specific	19	1.33 (1.19-1.50)	
Obesity measure			
BMI	55	1.33 (1.23-1.44)	0.95
WHR	6	1.31 (1.14-1.50)	
Study design			
Observational cohort	48	1.36 (1.23-1.49)	0.53
Treatment cohort	7	1.22 (1.14-1.31)	
Menopausal status			
Pre-menopausal	16	1.47 (1.19-1.83)	0.25
Post-menopausal	12	1.22 (0.95-1.57)	
Both	36	1.33 (1.23-1.43)	
Year of diagnosis			
Pre-1995	30	1.31 (1.16-1.46)	0.17
Post-1995	11	1.49 (1.31-1.68)	

Effect of Obesity on Overall Survival in ER/PgR Positive Breast Cancer



Effect of Obesity on Overall Survival in ER/PgR Negative Breast Cancer



Obesity Reflects Energy Imbalance

Dietary Energy Intake

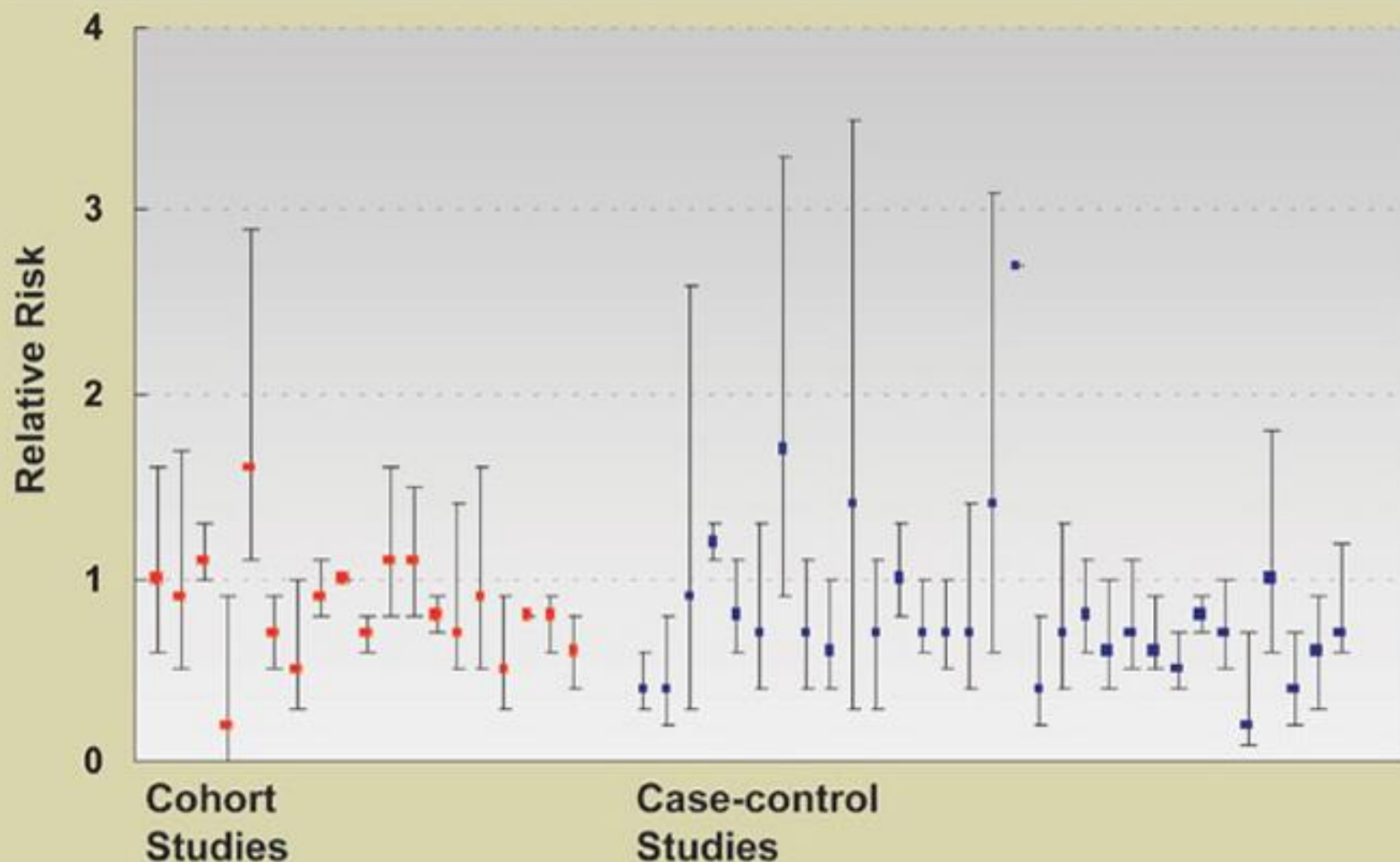
VS.

Energy Expenditure

Resting Expenditure

Physical Activity

Research Summary: Physical Activity and Breast Cancer Risk



Lee IM. Physical activity and cancer prevention—data from epidemiologic studies. *Med Sci Sports Exerc.* 2003;35:1823–1827. Reprinted with permission from Medscape.

Physical Activity and Breast Cancer Risk

- >20 cohort, >30 case-control studies
- Modest reduction in breast cancer risk with increased lifetime recreational physical activity
 - Nurses' Health Study
RR 0.82 (0.70 – 0.97) 7 hrs/wk vs < 1hr/wk
 - ACS Cancer Prevention Study II (Postmenopausal)
RR 0.71 (0.49-1.02) > 40 MET hr/wk vs. 0-7 MET hrs/wk
- Moderate to vigorous physical activity for > 3 hours per week associated with 30-40% reduced breast cancer risk
- Protective effect may be stronger after the menopause

Physical Activity and Breast Cancer Outcomes

<u>Holmes</u> JAMA 2005	NHS n=2987	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreational physical activity 2 years post-diagnosis; ≥ 9 met hours per week (vs. < 3) <p>Death HR 0.59 p=0.03 (trend) BC Death HR 0.50 p=0.004 (trend) Recurrence HR 0.57 p=0.05 (trend)</p>
<u>Abrahamson</u> Cancer 2006	n=1264	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreational physical activity 1 year pre-diagnosis <p>Mortality Q4 vs. Q1 All Subjects HR=0.78 (0.56-1.08) BMI* ≥ 25 HR=0.70 (0.49-0.99) < 25 HR=1.08 (0.77-1.52) * Interaction p=0.05</p>
<u>Holick</u> CEBP 2008	n=4482 CWLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreational physical activity 5-6 years post-diagnosis; 8-20.9 met hours per week (vs. < 2.8) <p>BC death (26%) HR=0.53 p=0.01 (trend) Non BC death (74%) HR=0.52 p<0.001 (trend)</p>
<u>Irwin</u> JCO 2008	HEAL n=933	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total physical activity 9 met hours vs. inactive <p>Year Pre-diagnosis HR 0.69 p=0.045 2 Years Post-diagnosis HR 0.33 p=0.046</p>
<u>Sternfeld</u> CEBP 2009	LACE n=1970	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total physical activity up to 3+ years post-diagnosis <p>Q4 vs. Q1 Death HR 0.76 p=0.20 (trend) BC Death HR 0.87 p=0.41 (trend) Recurrence HR 0.91 p=0.78 (trend)</p>
<u>Chen</u> 2011	Shanghai n=1826	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreational physical activity 36 months post-diagnosis (8.3 met hours per week (vs. 0)) <p>BC recurrence and/or death HR 0.59 (0.45-0.76) Death (any cause) HR 0.65 (0.05-0.84)</p>

BC Risk: Women's Health Initiative (WHI) – Low Fat Diet RCT

Population: 48,835 postmenopausal women 50-79 \bar{x} = 62.3 years
 No prior breast cancer; 8.1 year average follow-up
 Gail model risk $\geq 1.7\%$ / 5 years

Intervention:

	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Intervention vs. Control</u>
Fat	20% cals	10.7% year 1, 8.1% yr 6
Fruits/Vegetables	≥ 5 /day	1 serving
Grains	≥ 6 /day	transient difference

Results:

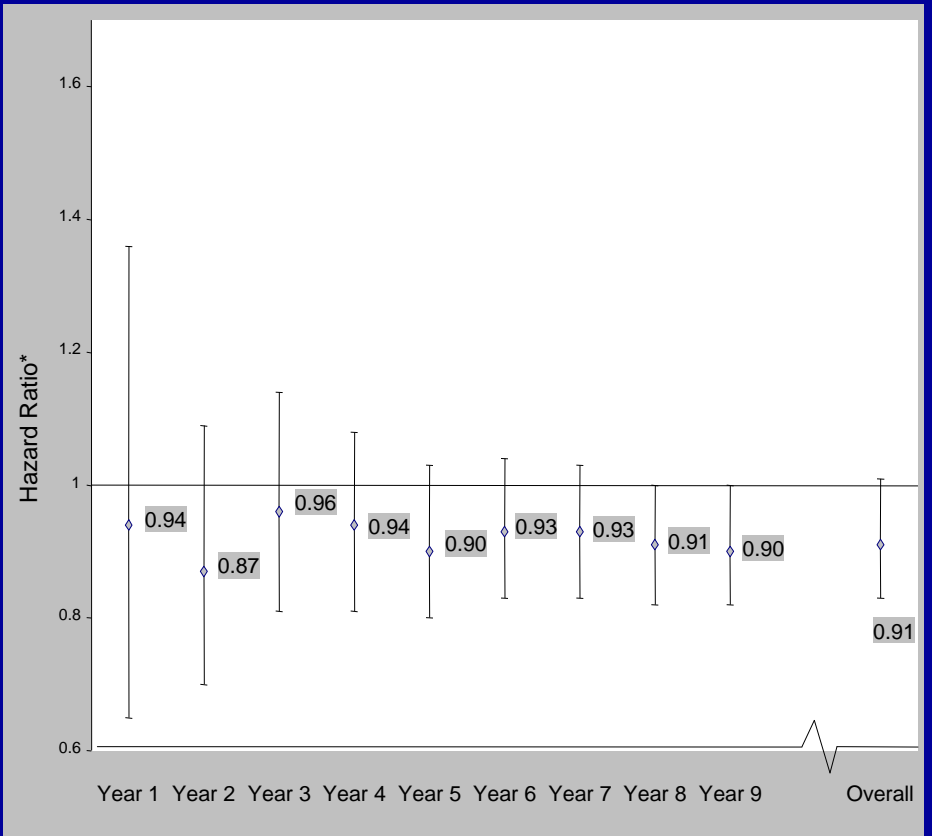
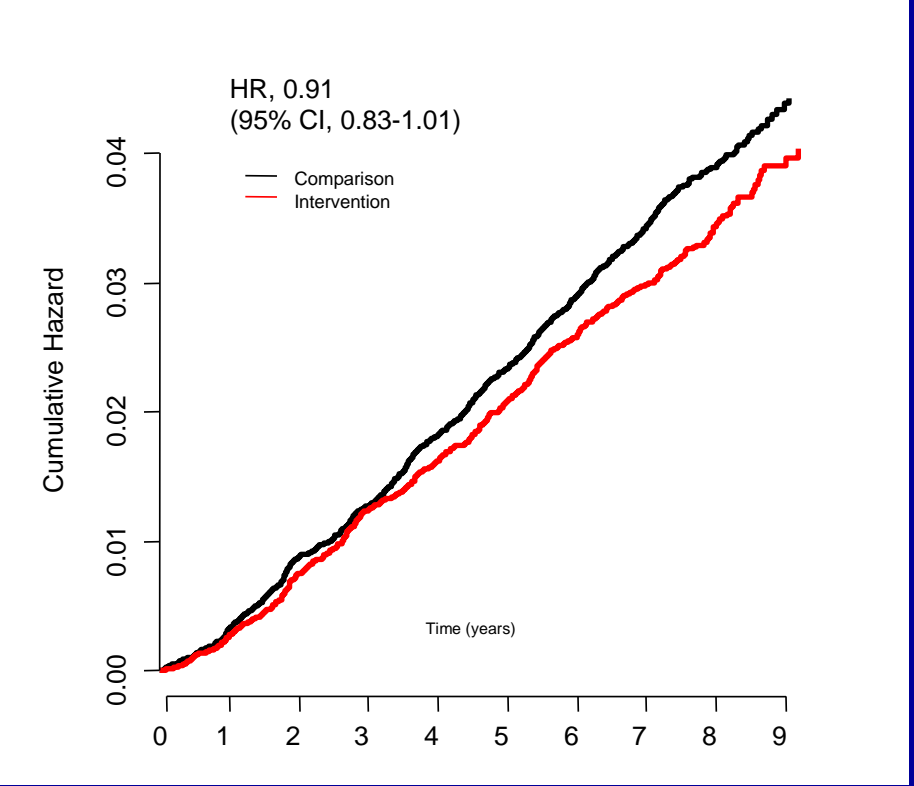
Invasive Breast Cancer

HR 0.91 (0.83-1.01)
 (0.42% vs. 0.45% annualized)

Greatest Effect

- 1) More adherent women
HR 0.85 (0.71-1.02)
- 2) Higher fat intake at baseline
HR 0.78 (0.64-0.95) Q4 p (trend) 0.04
- 3) ER/PgR discordant cancer
HR 0.64 (0.49-0.84) ER+ PgR-
HR 0.67 (0.29-1.54) ER- PgR+

WHI Dietary Fat Reduction Trial Breast Cancer Cumulative Hazard Ratios



BC Outcomes: Women's Intervention Nutrition Study (WINS)

- RCT of dietary fat reduction in postmenopausal women with breast cancer
- n=2437 age 48-79

	12 MONTHS	
	<u>Fat gram / day</u>	<u>Weight Change</u>
Intervention	33.3 ± 16.7	-2.1 kg
Control	51.3 ± 24.4	+0.2 kg
pvalue	<0.001	<0.05

	<u>Relapse Free Survival</u> (60 months)			
	<u>Diet</u>	<u>Control</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>p(2 tail)</u>
All	96/975	181/1462	0.76 (0.60-0.98)	0.034
ER+	68/770	122/1189	0.85 (0.63-1.14)	0.277
ER-	28/205	59/273	0.58 (0.37-0.91)	0.018

WINS vs. WHEL

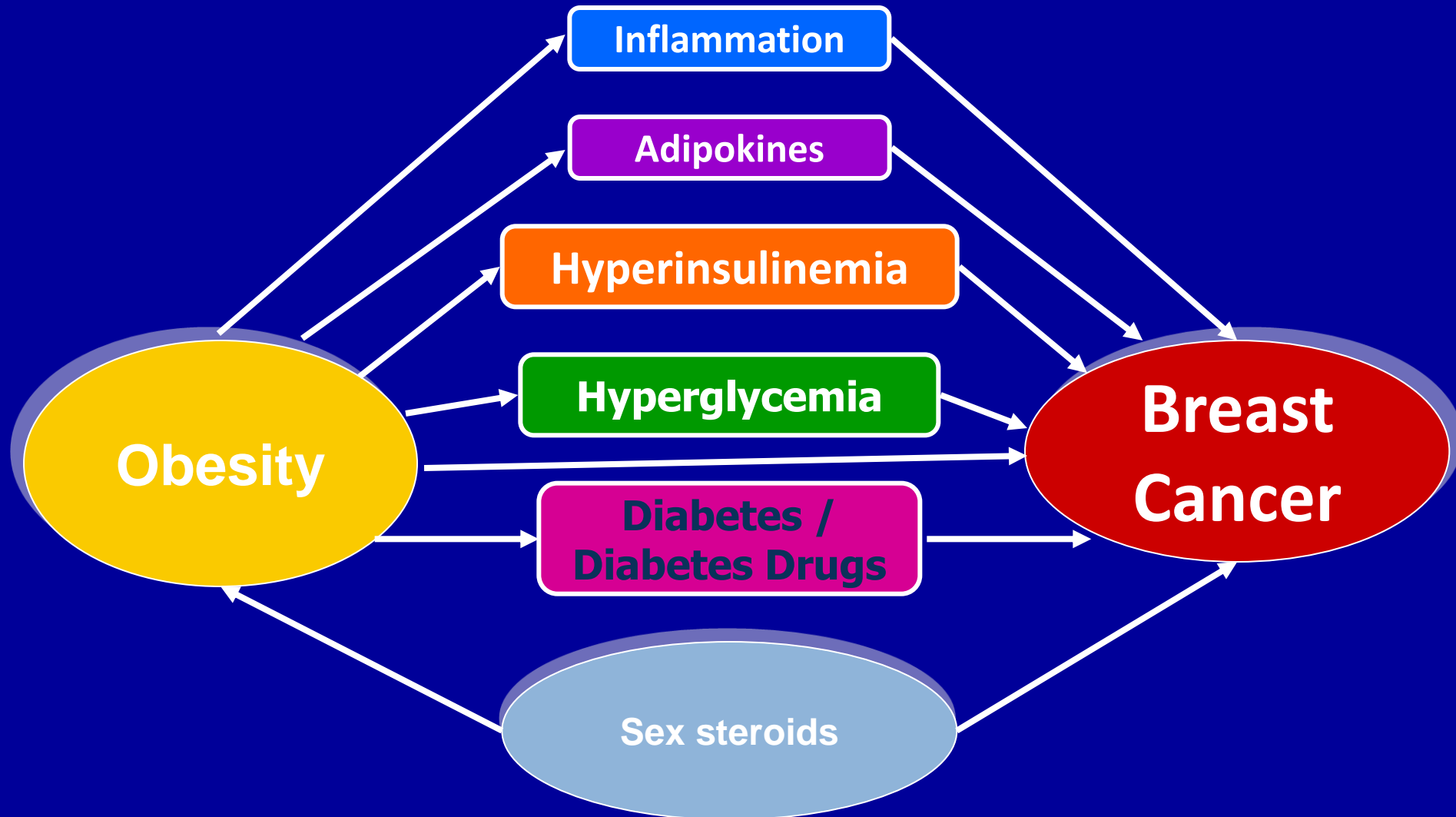
	<u>WINS</u>	<u>WHEL</u>
<u>Population</u>		
Number	2437	3088
Time Post Diagnosis	Up to 1 year	Up to 4 years
Menopausal Status	Post	Pre and Post
Age	48-79	18-70
<u>Intervention Group</u>		
Fat Intake	Reduction maintained	Transient reduction
Weight Change	2.3 kg. relative loss	Modest weight gain
<u>DFS</u>	HR 0.76 (0.60-0.98)	HR 0.96 (0.80-1.14)

Obesity and Breast Cancer

Summary

	<u>Risk</u>	<u>Prognosis</u>
Obesity	<u>Adverse</u> - Postmenopausal E+P+, Premenopausal TN <u>Protective</u> - Premenopausal E+P+	Adverse
Physical Inactivity	Adverse	Adverse
High Dietary Fat	Possibly Adverse (WHI)	Possibly Adverse (WINS/WHEL)

Obesity and Breast Cancer Potential Mechanisms



Serum Sex Hormones in Postmenopausal Women n=176

	<u>Estrone</u> (pg/ml)	<u>Estradiol</u> (pg/ml)
BMI		
≤ 27.0	27.5	3.4
27.1-30.0	33.6	5.2
≥ 30.1	38.9	6.3
p	< 0.001	< 0.001
Correlation with BMI	r=0.38, p<0.001	r=0.41, p<0.001

Interaction Between BMI / HRT and Breast Cancer

Absolute Increase in Breast Cancer Risk per 5 Years of HRT Use		
<u>BMI</u>	<u>Estrogen Alone</u>	<u>Estrogen + Progesterone</u>
20 kg/m ²	+ 30%	+ 50%
30 kg/m ²	+ 8%	+ 26%

Potential Interpretation: There is a ceiling for estrogen effect on BC risk – because estradiol levels are higher in obese women, added effects of HRT are less.

Mediating Effects of Estrogen and Insulin in the Relation Between Obesity and Breast Cancer Risk

Population:

- case-cohort ancillary study nested in WHI
- fasting insulin, estradiol, BMI, BC risk factors
- not on hormone therapy at baseline

Analysis:

- 414 BC cases (126 ER⁻); 486 controls
- mediator analysis → total, direct, indirect effects (expanded analyses of alcohol, estradiol alone)

Results:



(Estradiol was more strongly linked to ER⁺ than ER⁻ BC)

Conclusions:

- Insulin may be a more important mediator than estradiol of the association of BMI with postmenopausal BC risk

Prospective Study of the Role of Glucose Metabolism in Breast Cancer Occurrence

Population

- prospective ORDET cohort (1987-1992) n=10,663
- 356 breast cancers (median follow-up 13.5 years)
- up to 4 controls / case (age, menopausal status, length of storage)

Results

	<u>Breast Cancer Risk</u> (Quartile 4 vs. 1)	
	HR (95% CI)	p (trend)
Glucose	1.63 (1.14-2.32)	0.003*
Insulin	1.33 (0.96-1.86)	0.069**
HOMA – IR	1.44 (1.03-2.02)	0.029**
SHBG	0.72 (0.51-1.02)	0.07

* significance persisted in pre/post menopausal subgroups

** also significant in subgroups < 55 years at diagnosis

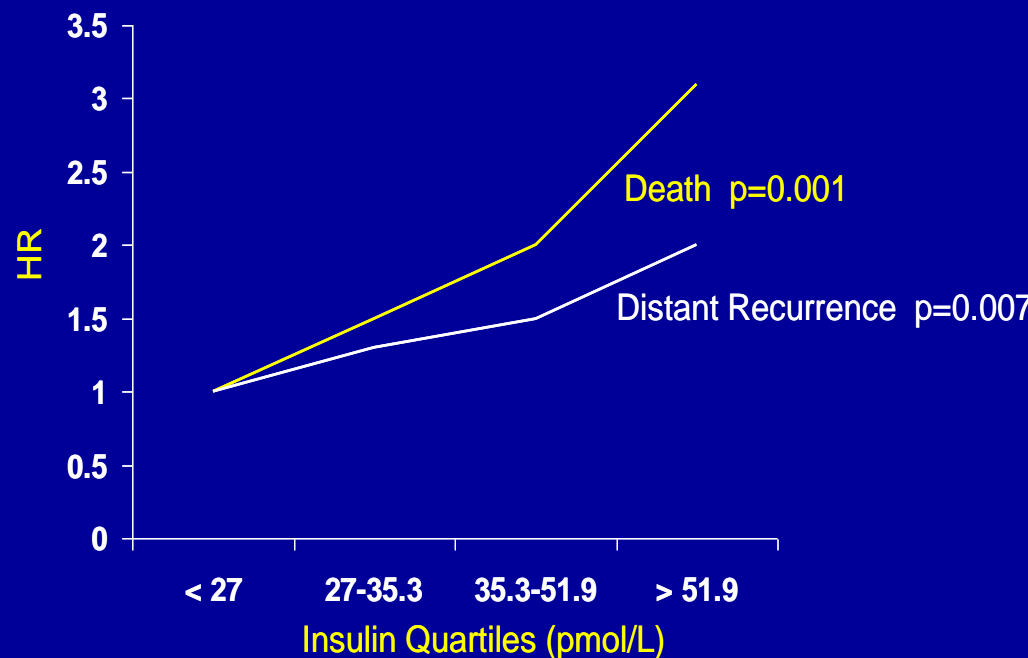
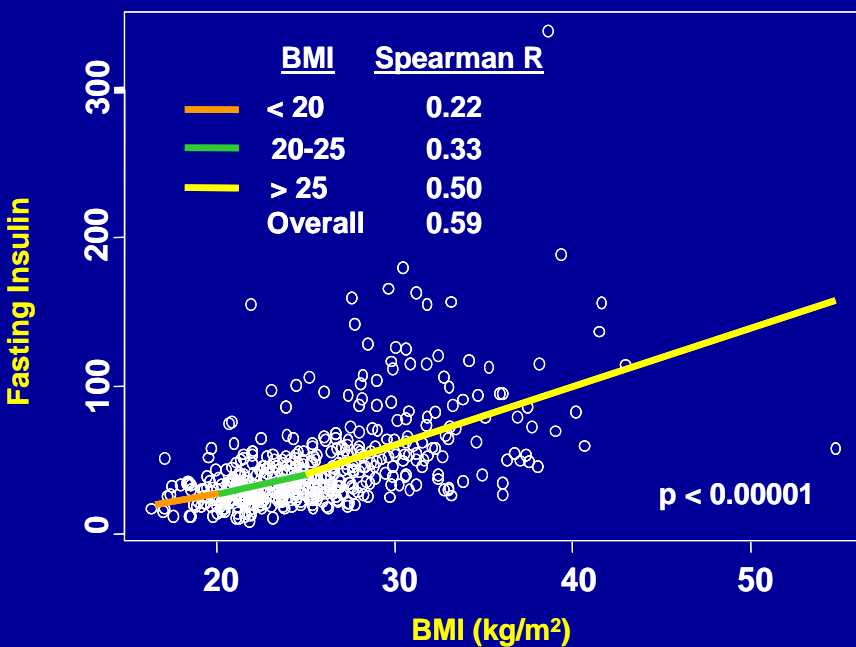
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Hyperglycemia and insulin resistance are associated with increased breast cancer risk

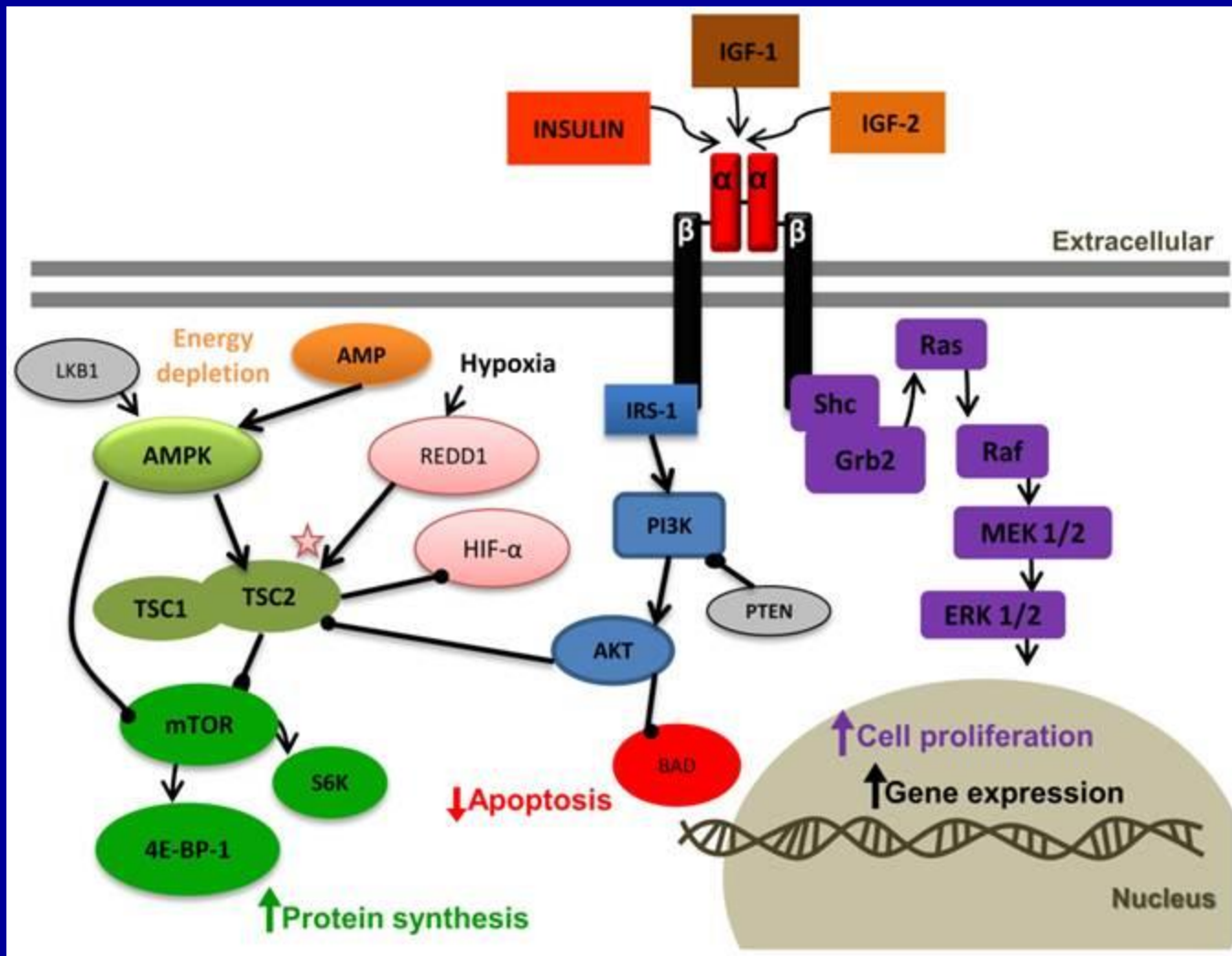
Insulin is Associated with Poor Breast Cancer Outcomes

Goodwin PJ ASCO 1999, JCO 2002

Pasanisi 2006, Irwin 2010, Duggan 2010, Emaus 2010, Pritchard 2011



IGF-1R Signaling Pathway



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Fasting Glucose and Breast Cancer Outcomes

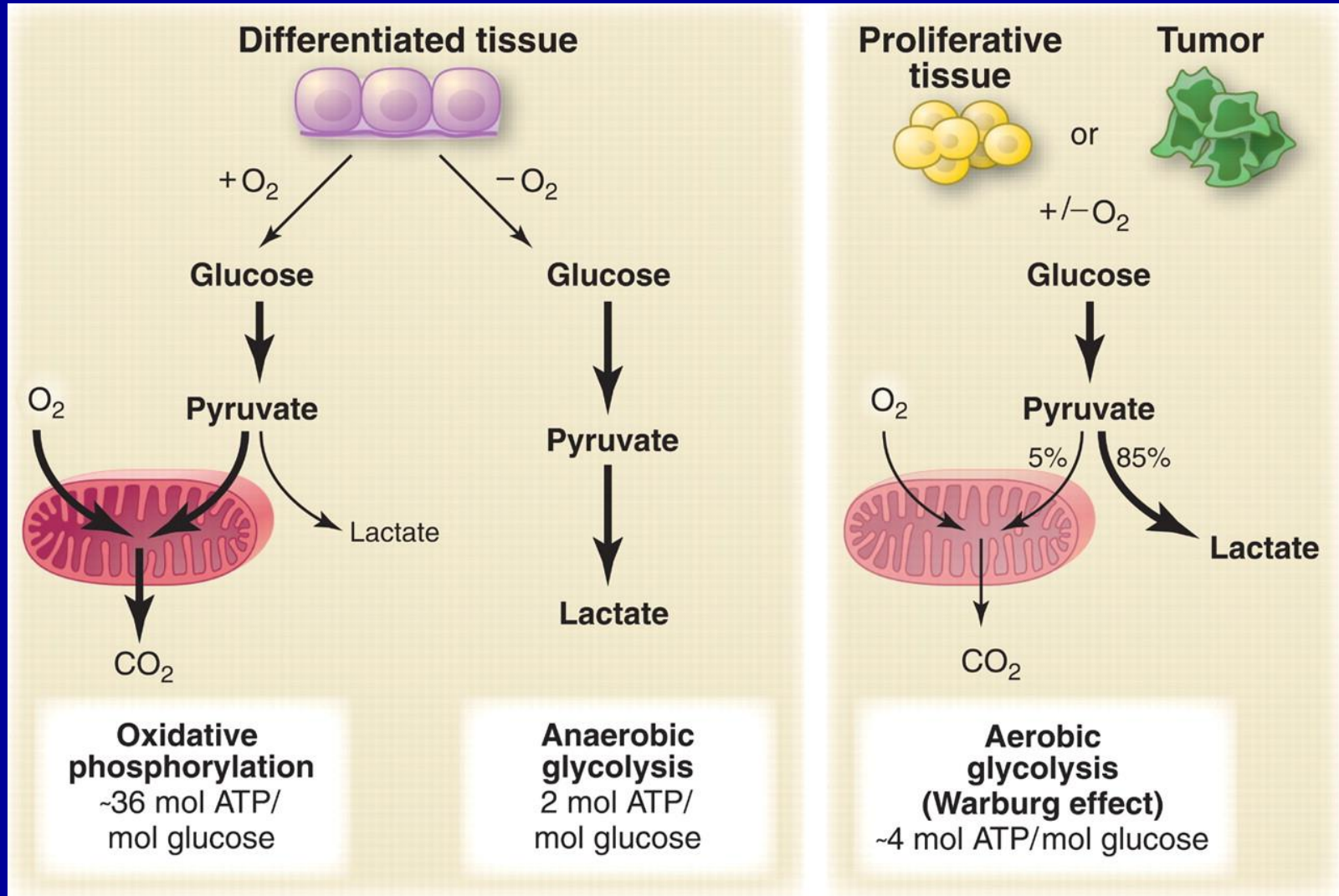
- Population:**
- 512 early stage breast cancer
 - no known diabetes

Results:

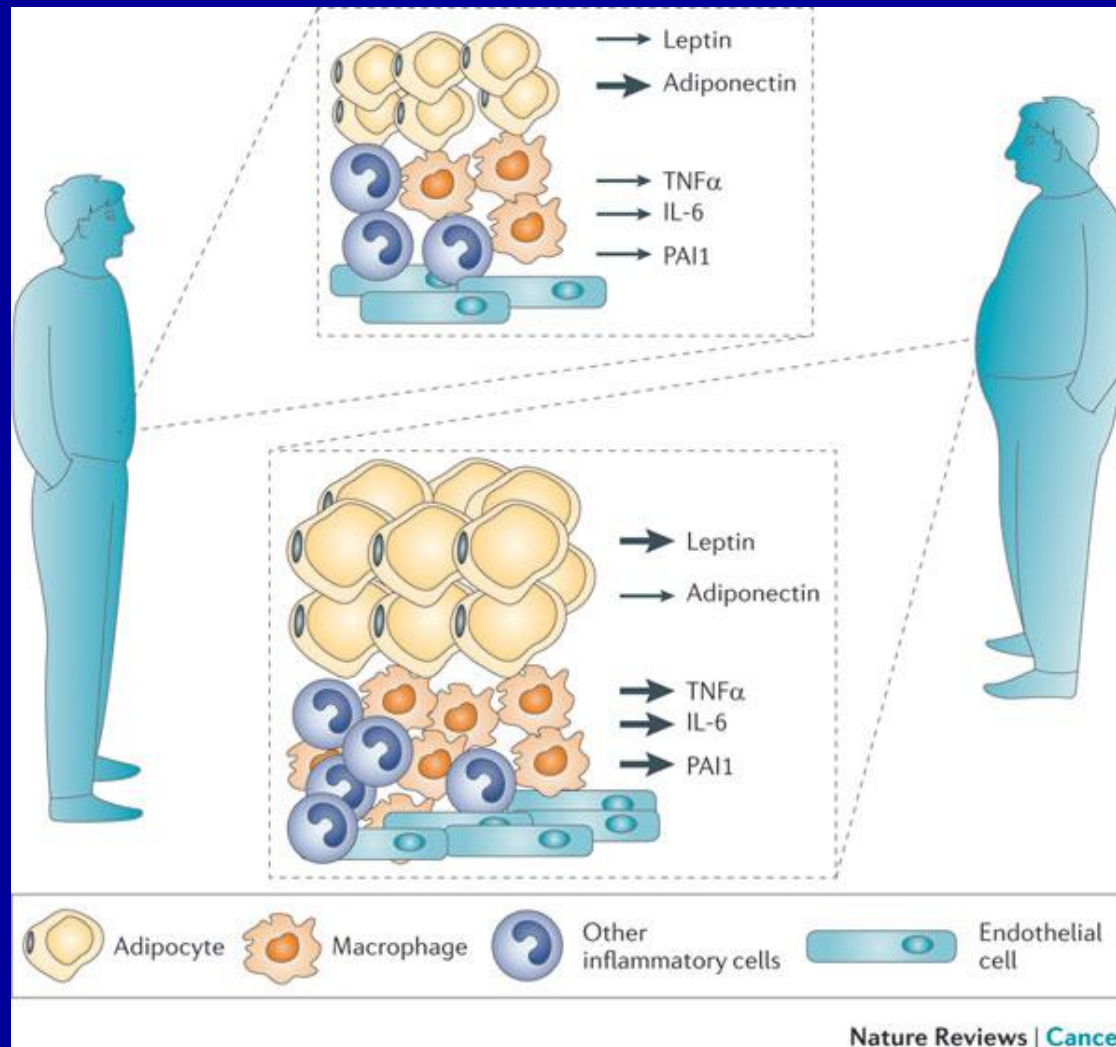
Quartile		DDFS		OS	
Mean	Range	HR (adjusted)*	(95% CI)	HR (adjusted)*	(95% CI)
4.5	3.5-4.7		1		1
4.9	4.7-5.1	1.28	(1.02-1.60)	1.26	(0.93-1.70)
5.2	5.1-5.4	1.50	(1.04-2.17)	1.46	(0.89-2.40)
5.7	5.4-11.6	1.88	(1.06-3.35)	1.81	(0.83-3.93)
		p=0.027 unadjusted p=0.034 adjusted		p=0.036 unadjusted p=0.014 adjusted	

* adjusted for age, T, N, grade, hormone receptor, chemotherapy, hormone therapy

Rapidly Proliferating Tissue Metabolizes Glucose “Inefficiently”

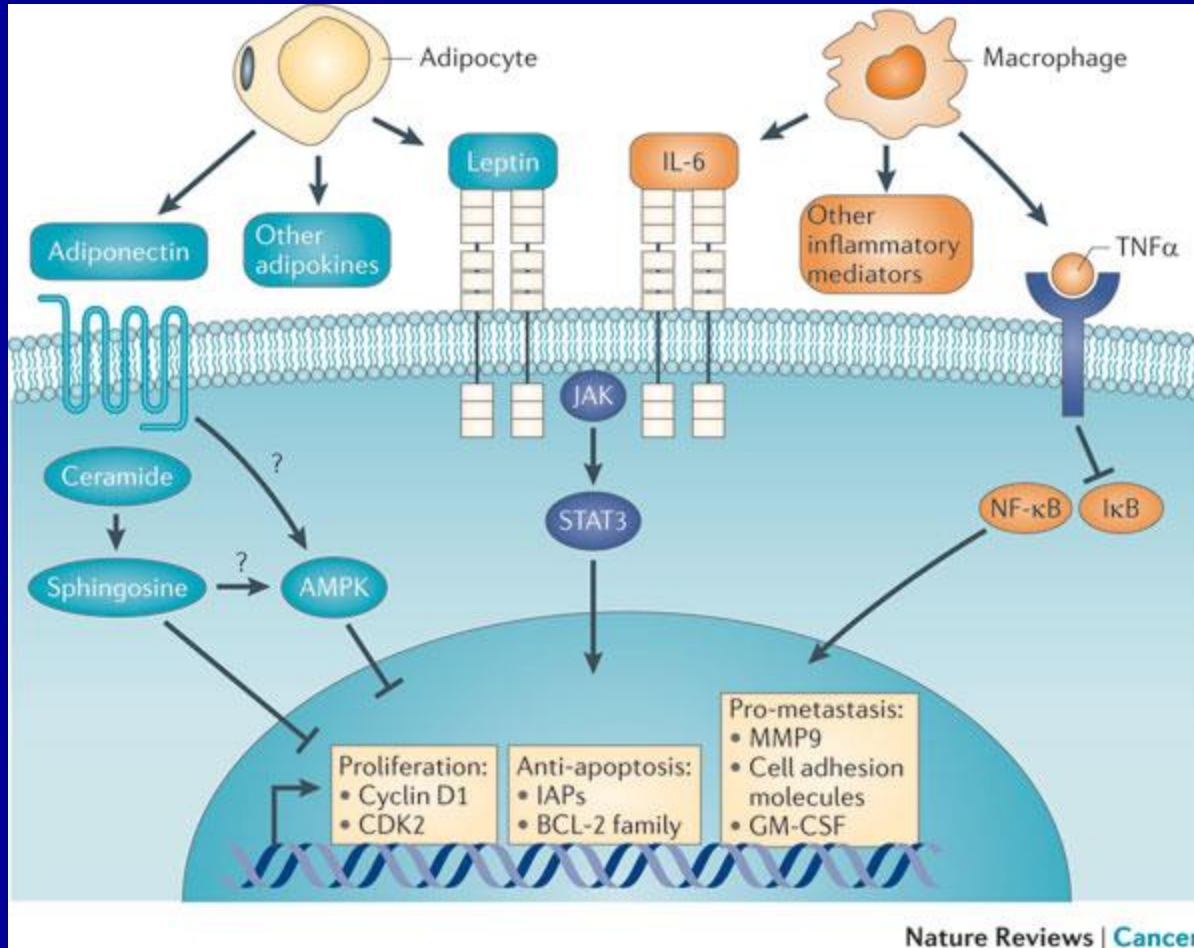


Changes in Adipose Tissue in Obesity



Khandekar MJ et al. Nat Rev Cancer 2011; 11:886-895

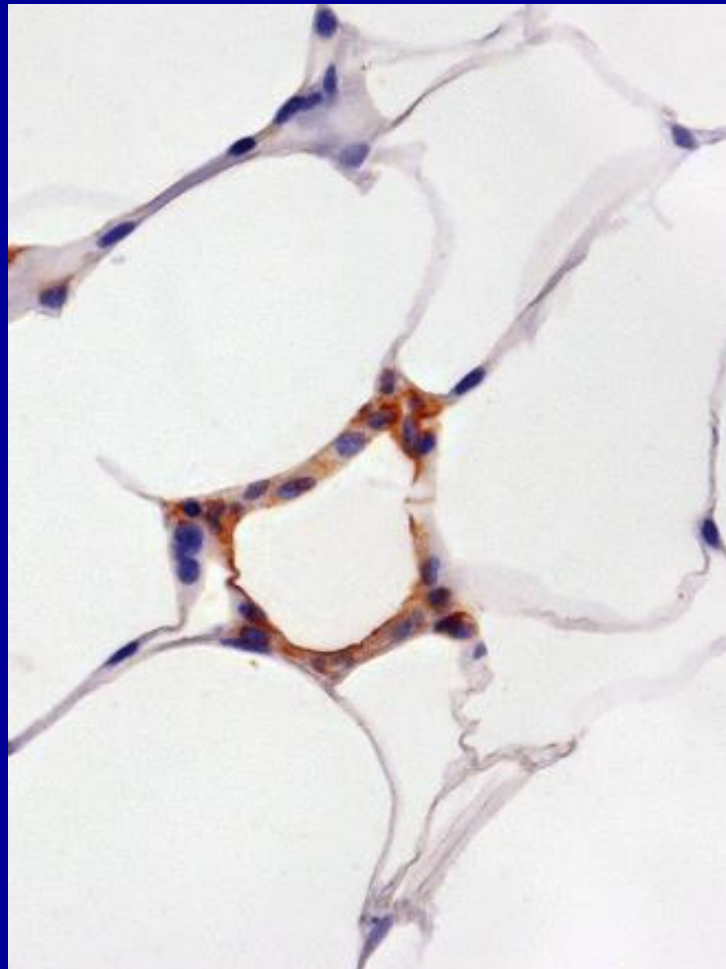
Adipokine and Inflammatory Signalling in Obesity



Khandekar MJ et al. *Nat Rev Cancer* 2011; 11:886-895

Local Inflammation: Crown-Like Structures
Necrotic adipocytes surrounded by macrophages

(Subbaramaiah K et al. Cancer Prevention Research 2011)





LISA Study – RCT of a Telephone Based Weight Loss Intervention vs. Education

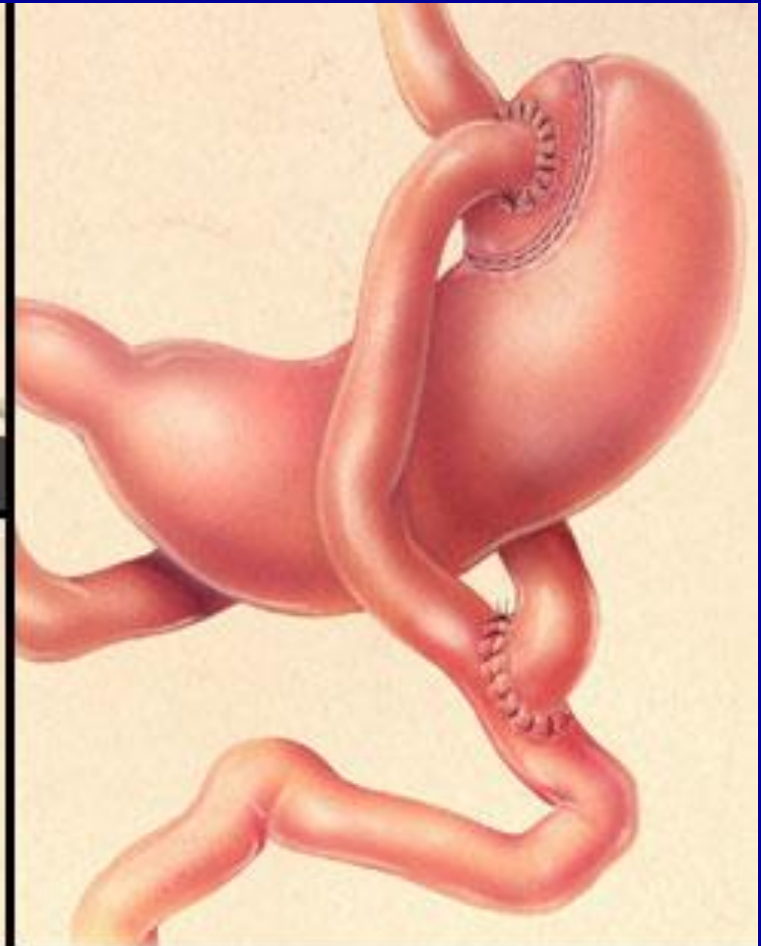
- 19 phone calls over 2 years based on Diabetes Prevention Program
- Goals
 - up to 10% weight loss (to BMI \geq 21 kg/m²)
 - calorie deficit 500-1000 kcal per day
 - physical activity 150-200 minutes per week

	<u>Effect on Weight (kg)*</u>	
	Intervention n=165	Control n=158
Baseline	82.8	81.3
6 months	-4.7 (5.7%)	-0.2 (0.2%)
12 months	-5.5 (6.6%)	-0.7 (0.8%)
18 months	-3.8 (4.6%)	-0.3 (0.4%)

* Effect similar in women with BMI \leq 30 kg/m² or $>$ 30 kg/m²



Gastric Banding



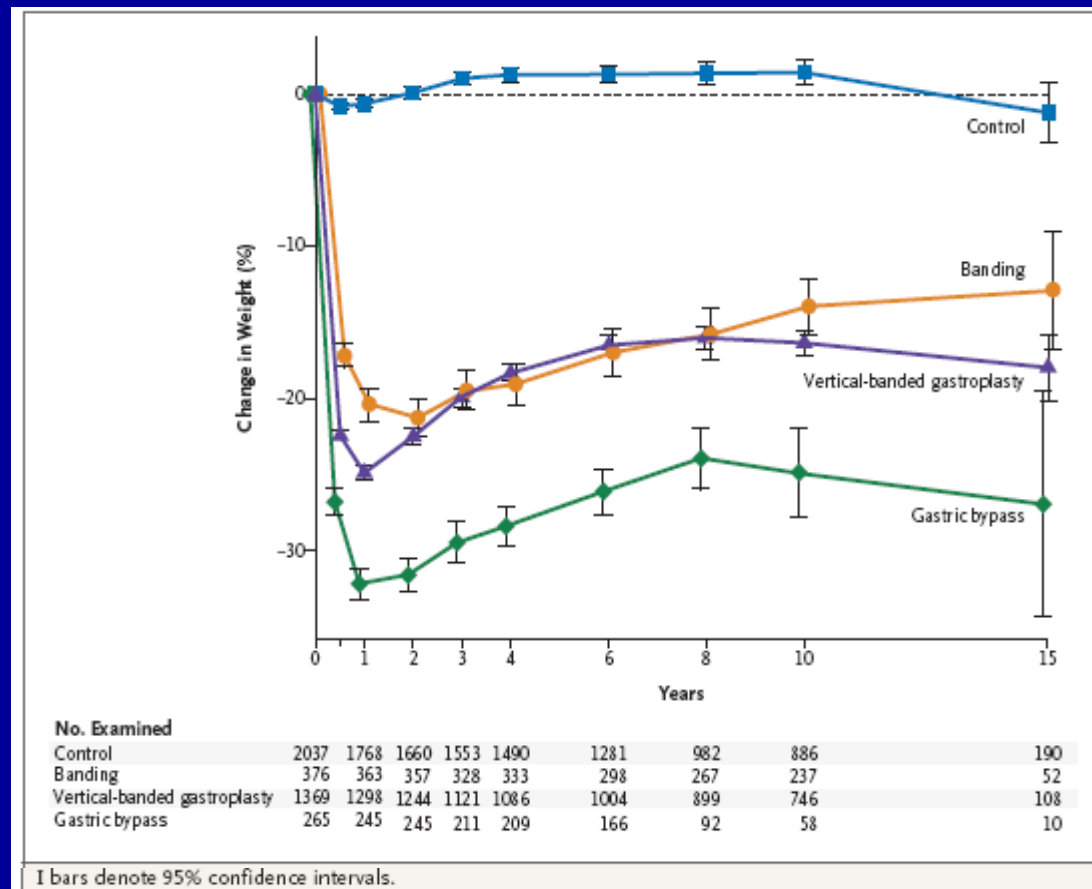
Roux-en-Y



Gastroplasty

Effects of Bariatric Surgery on Mortality in Swedish Obese Subjects

Mean Percent Weight Change in the Control Group and the Surgery Group According to the Method of Bariatric Surgery



Sjöström L et al. NEJM 2007;357:741-752

Intentional Weight Loss and Breast Cancer Risk

<u>Cohort Studies</u>	<u>Weight Loss</u>	<u>Breast Cancer Risk</u>
Eliassen 2006	≥ 14.5%	↓ 57%
Harvie 2005	≥ 5%	↓ 64%
Parker 2003	> 20 pounds	↓ 19%
<u>Bariatric Surgery Studies</u>	<u>Weight Loss</u>	<u>All Cancer Risk</u>
Sjöström 2009 (women)	31.9%	↓ 42%
Adams 2009 (women)	31.0%	↓ 27% (BC 9%)
Christou 2008 (both)	31.9%	↓ 78% (BC 83%)

Change in Physiologic Mediators

Decrease

Estradiol (3X)

Insulin (3X)

CRP (3X)

TNF-α

IL-6

± IGFBPs, IGF-1

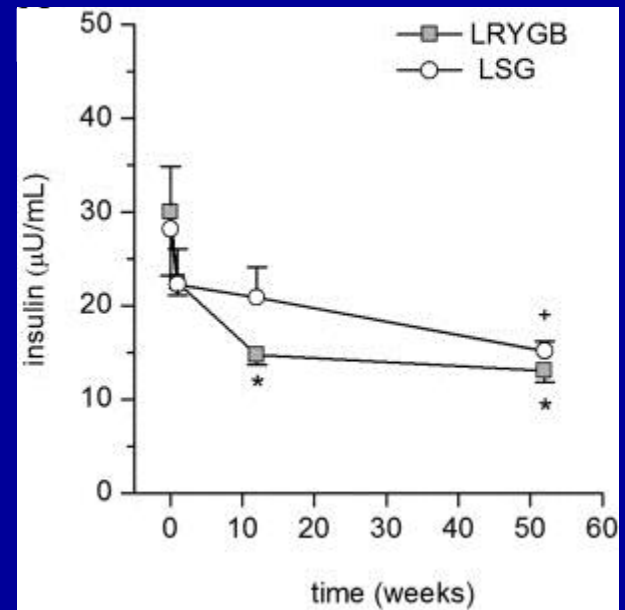
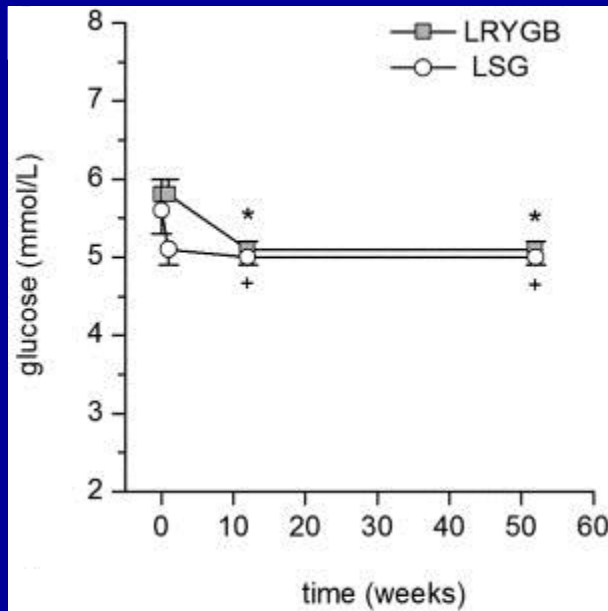
Increase

SHBG

± IGFBPs

± IGF-I

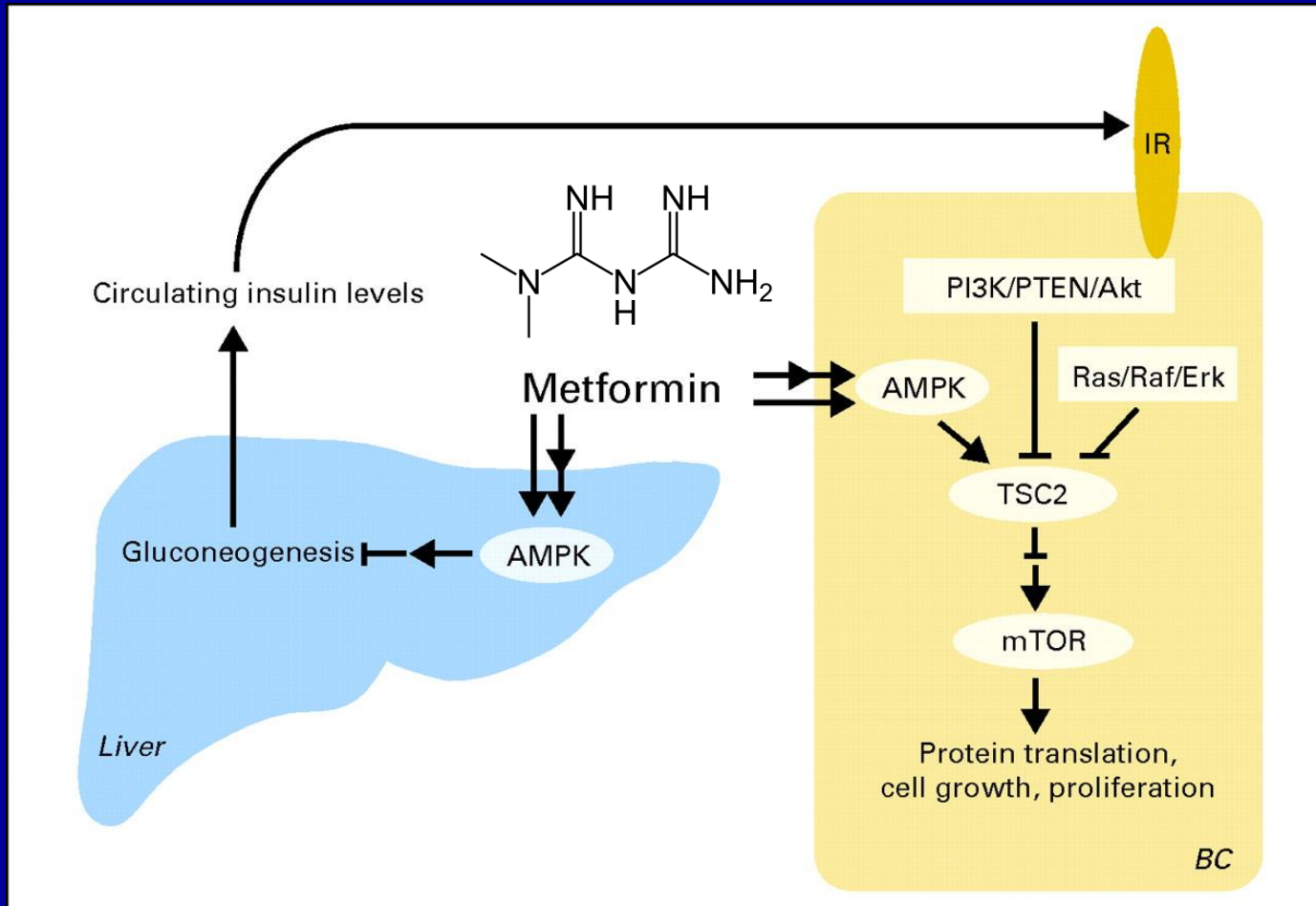
Insulin and Glucose Improve Post Bariatric Surgery **BEFORE** Major Weight Loss



LRYGB = laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass

LSG = laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy

Mechanism of Metformin Action in the Clinical Setting



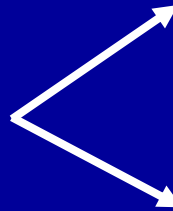
Adapted from Goodwin P J et al. J Clin Oncol 2009; 27:3271-3273

NCIC CTG MA.32 STUDY SCHEMA

T1–3*, N0-3, M0 invasive breast cancer diagnosed within 1 year
 Any radiotherapy, chemotherapy**, endocrine therapy, trastuzumab, biologics, bisphosphonates

* If pT1C, ≥ 1 adverse prognostic factor
 ** CXT must be completed

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Metformin
 850 mg po bid X 5 years
 (includes 4-week ramp-up of 850mg po daily)

Identical Placebo
 One caplet po bid X 5 years
 (includes 4 week ramp-up of one caplet po daily)

<u>Primary Outcome:</u>	Invasive cancer free survival
<u>Secondary Outcome:</u>	Overall survival, Distant Disease-Free Survival, Breast Cancer Free Interval, Adverse Events, Hospitalization (CV, diabetes), QOL (888 subjects)
<u>Embedded Correlative:</u>	Weight, Fasting Insulin (baseline, 6 months, 5 years), Tumour Tissue
<u>Sample Size:</u>	3,582 (431 events) – 5 year IDFS 0.85 in placebo arm, HR =0.76, $\alpha=0.05$ $\beta=0.20$ 2 interim analyses (benefit, futility) at 144 and 288 events Planned subset analyses ($\alpha=0.10$, 2 sided; $\beta=0.80$) in ER/PgR neg (HR 0.65) and Triple Neg (HR 0.55)

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Change from Baseline at 6 Months

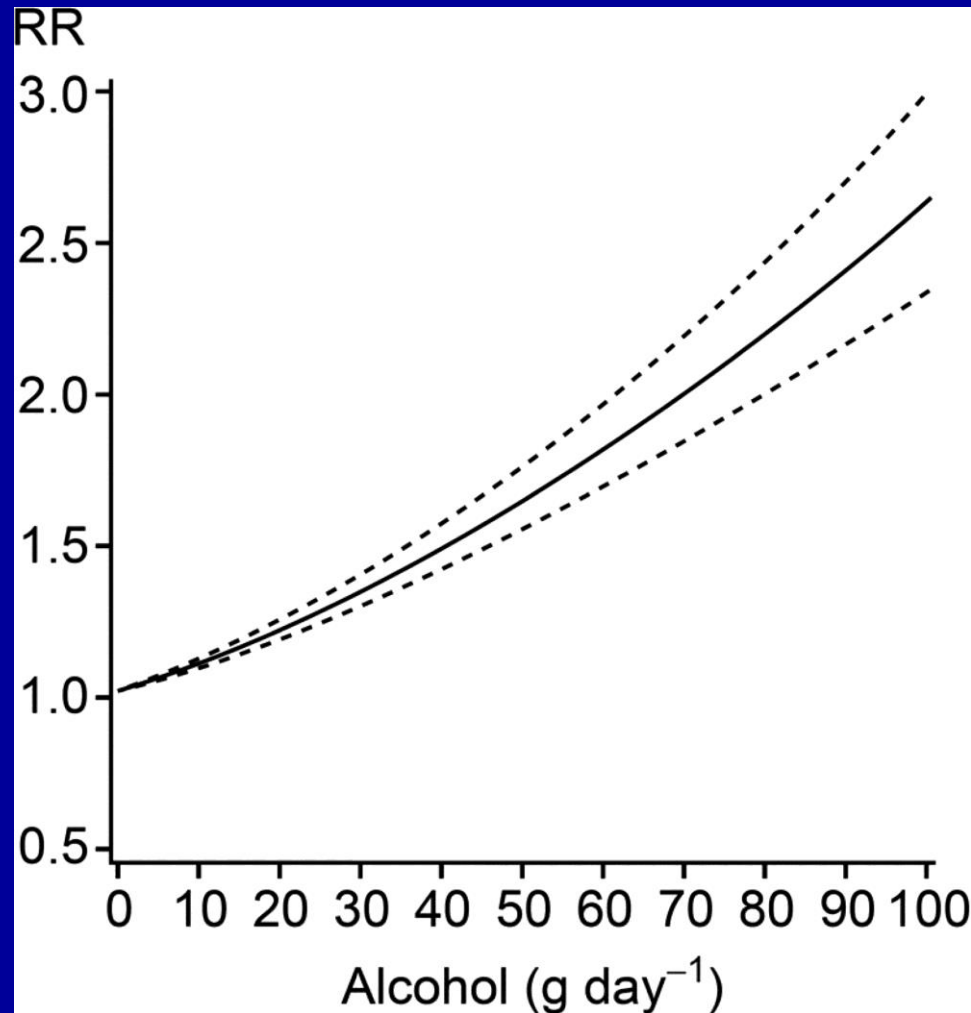
	<u>Metformin</u> n=237		<u>Placebo</u> n=255		<u>Change</u>		
	Change	%	Change	%	p(2-tail) (Wilcoxon)	Interaction with Baseline BMI	Interaction with Baseline Insulin
Weight (kg)	-1.96	- 2.6	+0.40	+ 0.5	<0.0001	0.32	0.17
BMI (kg/m ²)	-0.74	- 2.6	+0.15	+ 0.5	<0.0001	0.27	0.19
Glucose (mmol/L)	-0.1	- 1.9	+0.04	+ 0.8	<0.001	0.97	0.17
Insulin (pmol/L)	-7.88	-11.5	-1.78	- 2.5	0.027	0.79	0.84
HOMA* (n=331)	-0.08	- 4.0	+0.06	+ 2.6	0.014	0.56	0.89
Leptin (ng/ml)	-1.53	- 9.7	+1.42	+ 9.0	<0.0001	0.20	0.27
hs-CRP (µg/L)	-0.2	- 7.3	+0.84	+31.3	0.005	0.67	0.59

* calculated from glucose and insulin in the 331 with blood draws for both on the same date

ALCOHOL SMOKING

Dose-Risk Function Between Alcohol Consumption and Breast Cancer

(extracted from Bagnardi et al. *Br J Cancer* 2001; 85:1700-1705)



Seitz HK et al. *Alcohol Alcohol* 2012; 47:204-212

Summary of Meta-Analysis and Pooled Analysis of Smoking Pack-Years, NAT2 Acetylators Status, Menopausal Status and Breast Cancer Risk

Type of analysis	Pack-years*	NAT2 slow acetylators		NAT2 rapid acetylators	
		Premenopausal RR (95% CI)	Postmenopausal RR (95% CI)	Premenopausal RR (95% CI)	Postmenopausal RR (95% CI)
Meta-analysis	Never active	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	<20	1.21 (1.00 to 1.45)	1.28 (1.08 to 1.50)	1.00 (0.80 to 1.24)	1.12 (0.93 to 1.36)
	≥20	1.47 (1.08 to 2.01)	1.41 (1.15 to 1.72)	1.34 (0.94 to 1.89)	0.98 (0.77 to 1.26)
Pooled analysis	Never active	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	<20	1.05 (0.86 to 1.28)	1.23 (1.03 to 1.46)	0.91 (0.72 to 1.16)	1.10 (0.89 to 1.35)
	≥20	1.49 (1.08 to 2.04)	1.42 (1.16 to 1.74)	1.29 (0.89 to 1.86)	0.88 (0.69 to 1.13)

Bold type indicates statistically significant increases in summary risk.

Source: Ambrosone *et al.*¹⁴

*Pack-years as a categorical variable were available from the following eight studies for meta-analysis: Ambrosone *et al.*, 1996; Morabia *et al.*, 2000; Chang-Claude *et al.*, 2002; Egan *et al.*, 2003; van der Hel *et al.*, 2003; Alberg *et al.*, 2004; Sillanpaa *et al.*, 2005; Lissowska *et al.*, 2006. Pack-years as a categorical variable were available from the following six studies for the pooled analysis: Ambrosone *et al.*, 1996; Morabia *et al.*, 2000; Chang-Claude *et al.*, 2002; Egan *et al.*, 2003; van der Hel *et al.*, 2003; Lissowska *et al.*, 2006.

Lifestyle and Breast Cancer

Conclusions I

- Obesity rates are increasing in the US and around the world
- Obesity has been associated with increased postmenopausal breast cancer risk and adverse cancer outcomes
- Physical inactivity has been associated with increased breast cancer risk and poor outcomes
- Several potential biologic mediators of lifestyle effects have been identified, a multifactorial biologic basis is likely

Lifestyle and Breast Cancer Conclusions II

- Modest weight loss is difficult, but feasible
- Maintenance of weight loss is even harder
- Interventions may include lifestyle change, bariatric surgery and targeted agents
- The obesity-cancer link is a **testable hypothesis**
- In the prevention setting, the need for large sample sizes improvement in non-cancer outcomes before cancer outcomes are reached may limit the feasibility of RCTs

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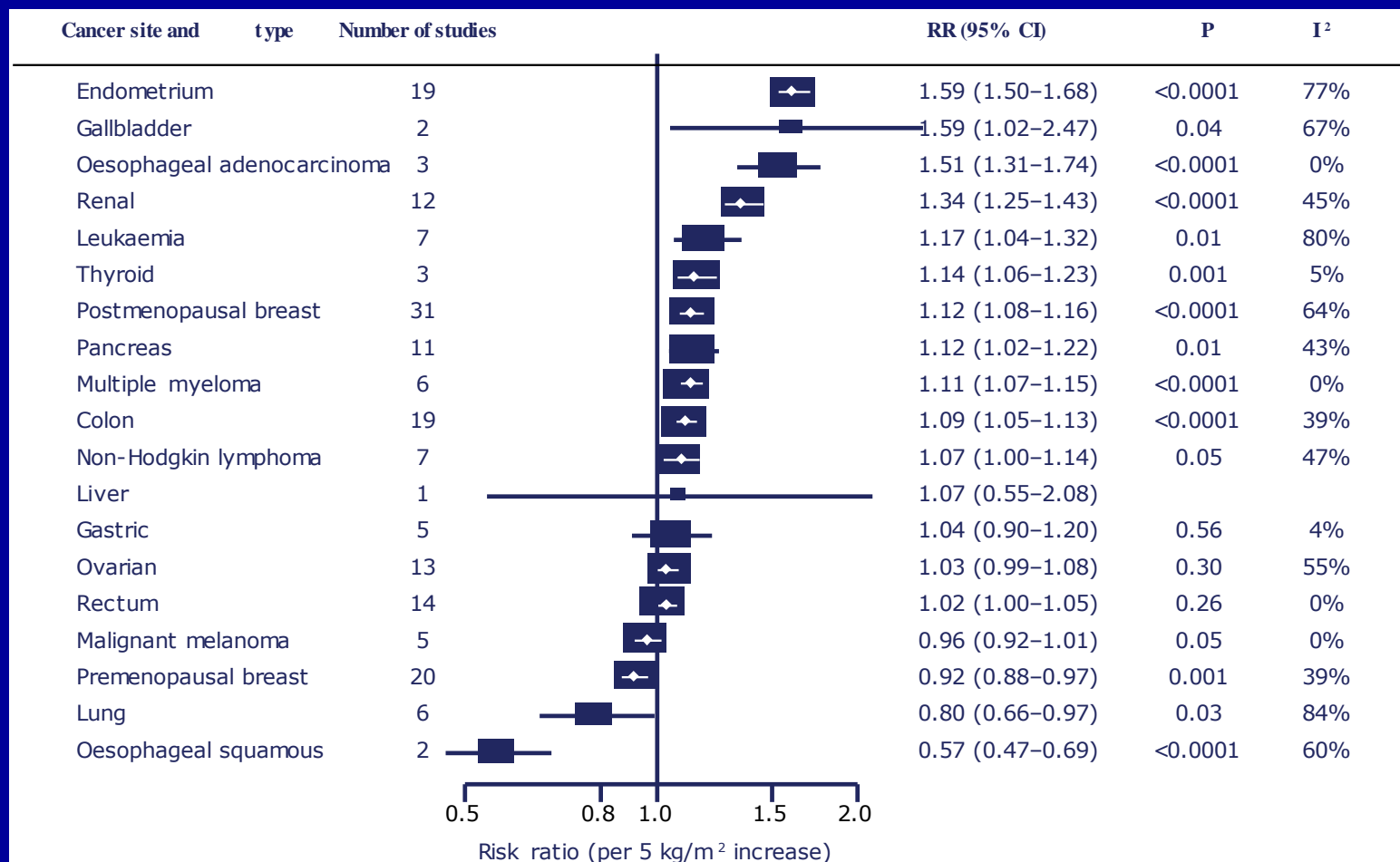
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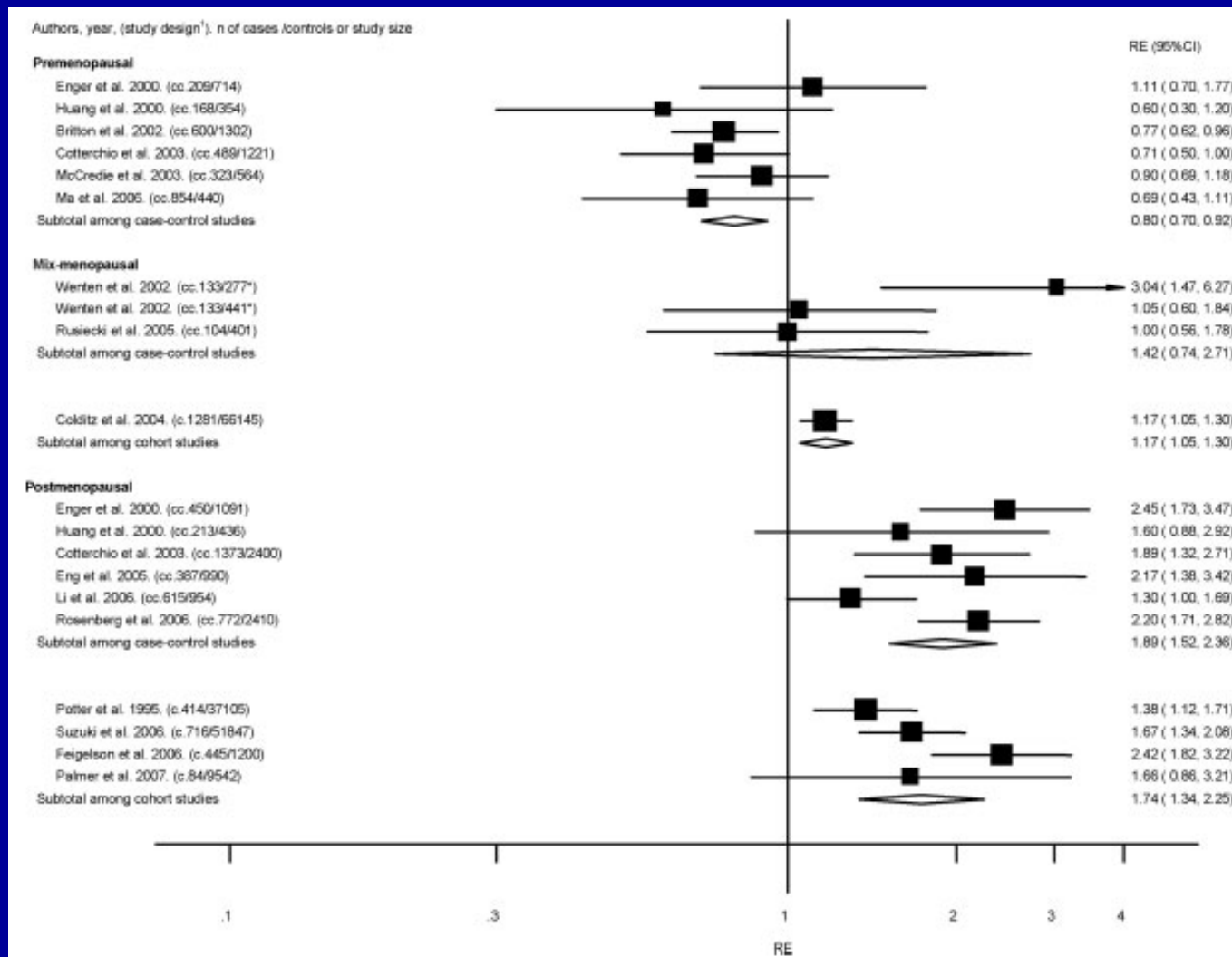
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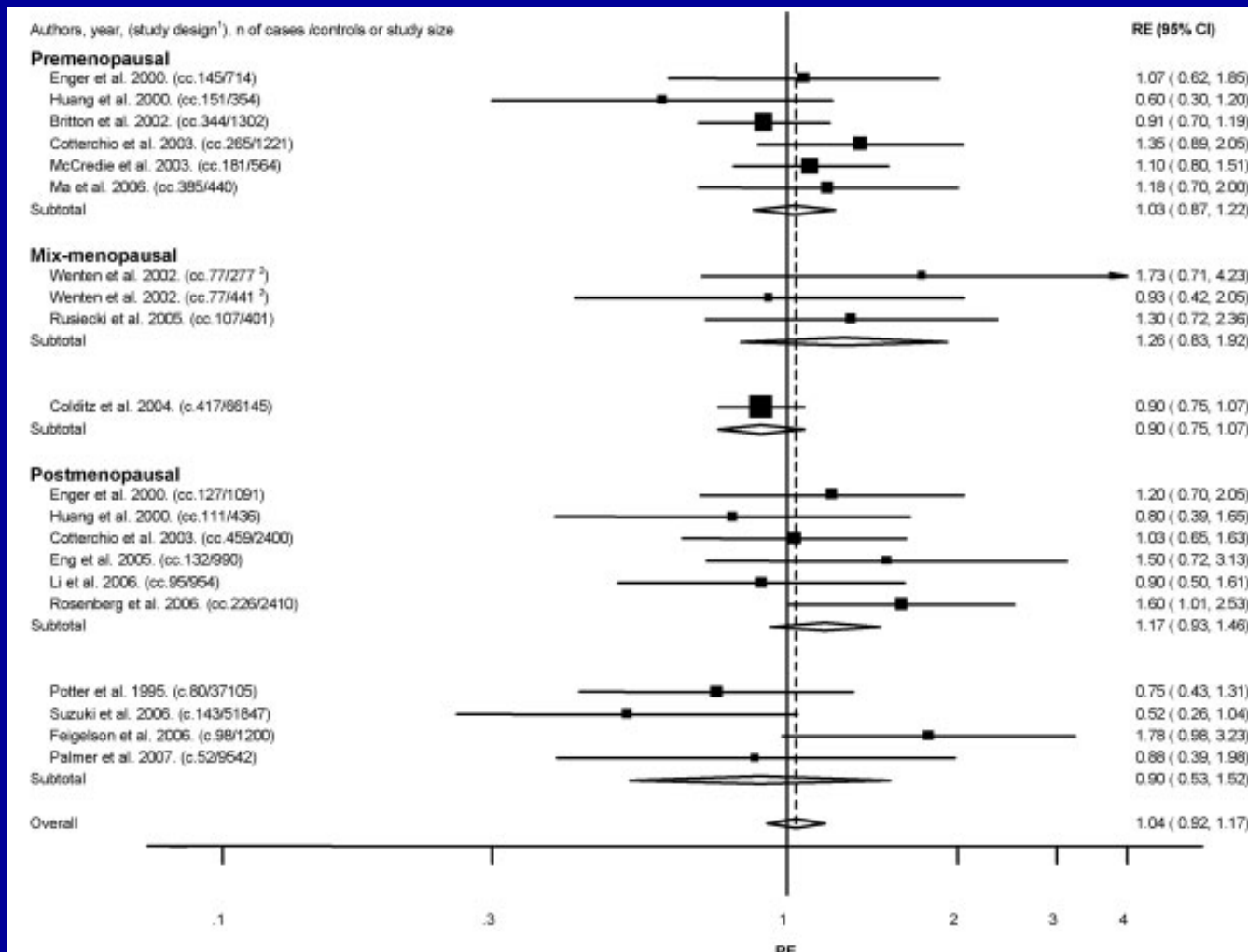
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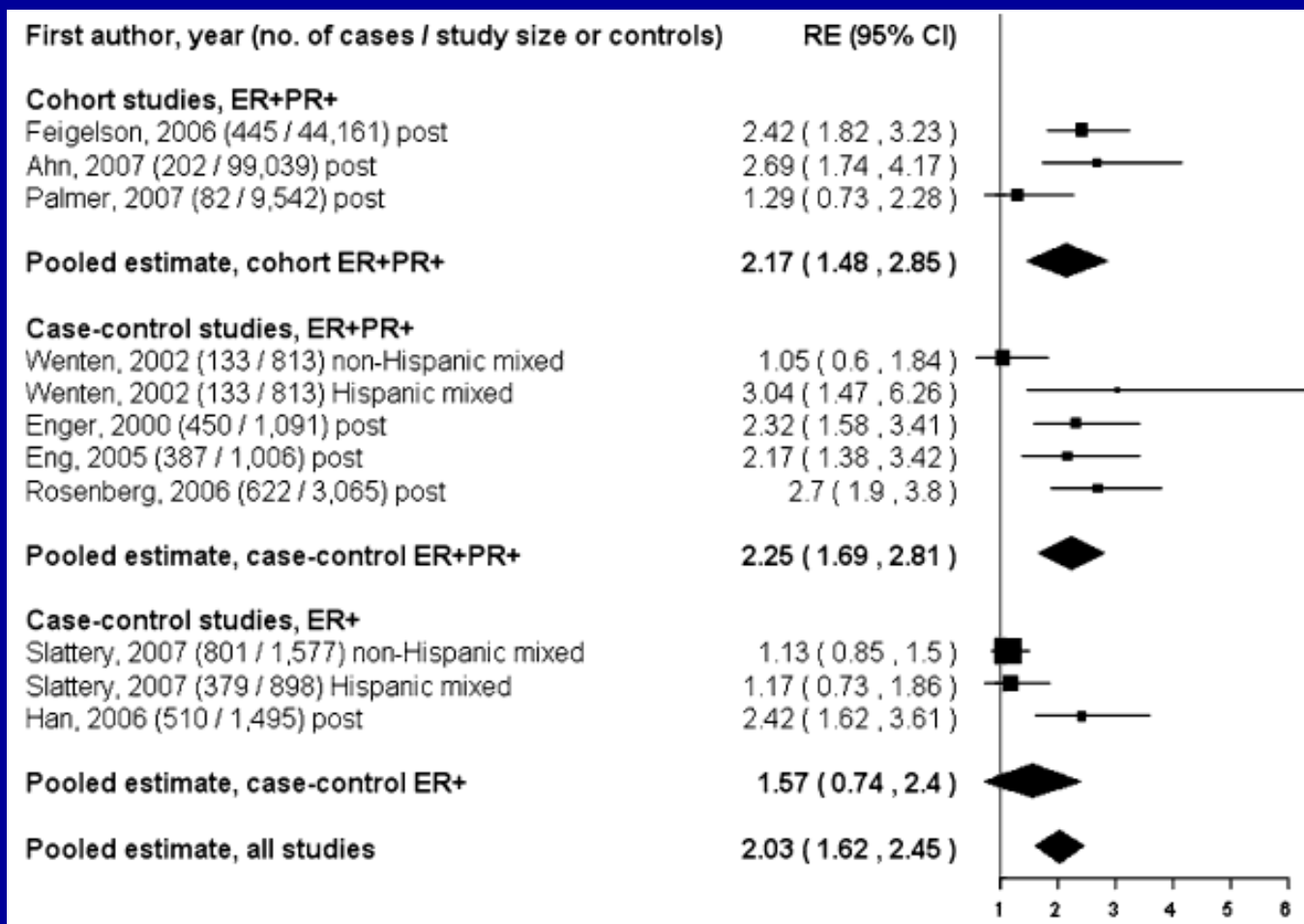
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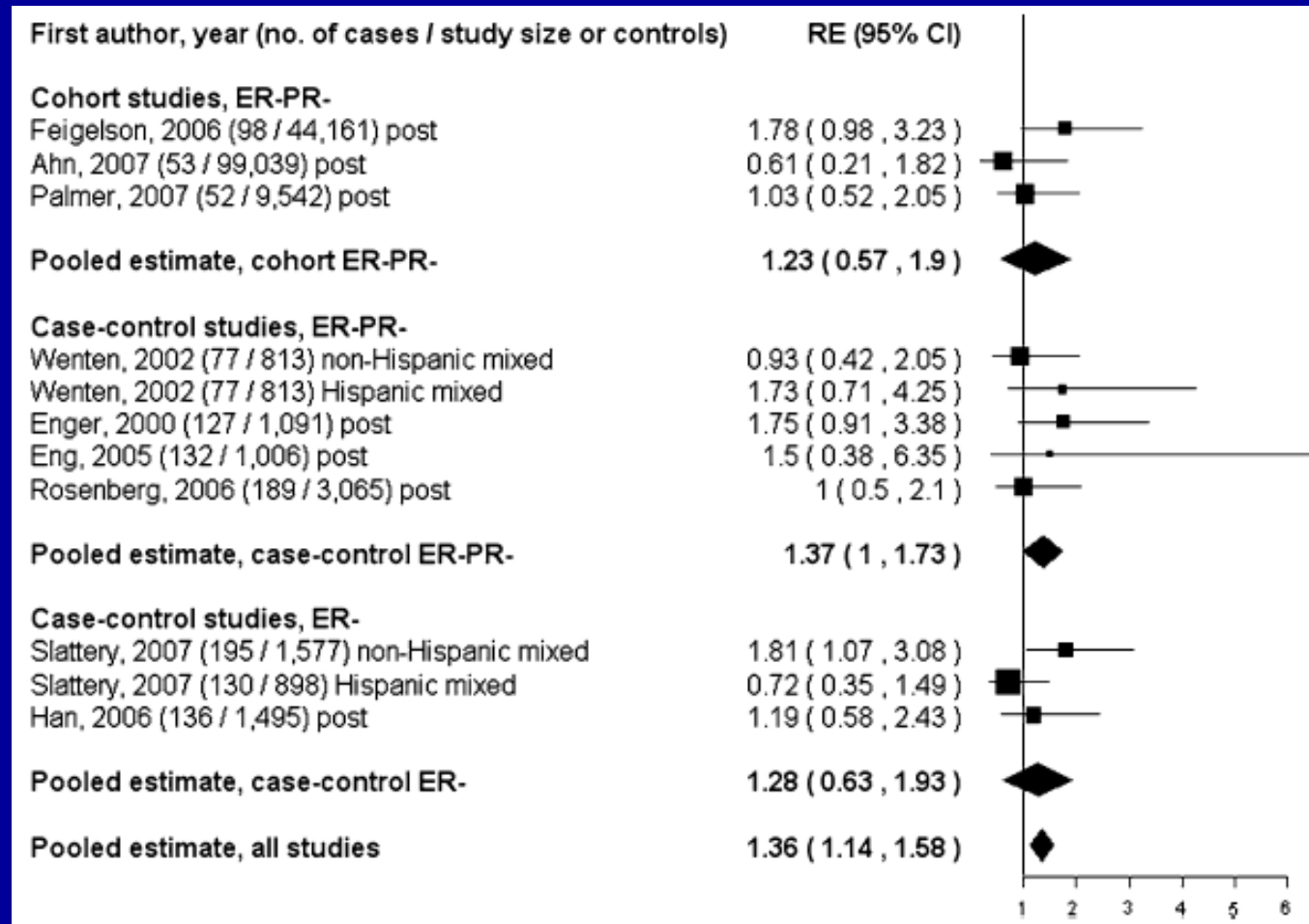
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Association Between Adult Weight Gain and ER+ PR+ Breast Cancer Risk



Association Between Adult Weight Gain and ER- PR- Breast Cancer Risk



Adjusted ORs and 95% CIs for Invasive Breast Cancer Associated with Birth Weight and Birth Length, by Tumor Hormone Receptor Status

	# Cases	OR	95% CI	# Cases	OR	95% CI	<i>p</i> (Interaction)**
	Estrogen receptor positive			Estrogen receptor negative			
Birth weight (g)	1,810			1,139			
<2,500	94	1.00	–	68	1.00	–	
2,500–2,999	347	1.02	0.78, 1.32	226	0.95	0.70, 1.28	
3,000–3,499	767	1.12	0.87, 1.43	479	1.00	0.75, 1.33	
3,500–3,999	488	1.26	0.98, 1.63	295	1.09	0.81, 1.46	
≥4,000	114	1.16	0.85, 1.58	71	1.03	0.71, 1.49	0.21
Trend <i>p</i> -value		0.01			0.27		
Birth length (inches)	1,791			1,129			
≤19	527	1.00	–	360	1.00	–	
>19–20	687	1.13	1.00, 1.28	429	1.03	0.89, 1.20	
>20	577	1.25	1.09, 1.43	340	1.06	0.90, 1.25	0.09
Trend <i>p</i> -value		<0.01			0.47		
	Progesterone receptor positive			Progesterone receptor negative			
Birth weight (g)	1,613			1,255			
<2,500	80	1.00	–	79	1.00	–	
2,500–2,999	308	1.04	0.79, 1.38	249	0.90	0.68, 1.20	
3,000–3,499	696	1.17	0.90, 1.52	515	0.94	0.72, 1.23	
3,500–3,999	422	1.24	0.95, 1.63	342	1.10	0.83, 1.46	
≥4,000	107	1.23	0.89, 1.71	70	0.90	0.63, 1.29	0.15
Trend <i>p</i> -value		0.02			0.23		
Birth length (inches)	1,595			1,242			
15–19	458	1.00	–	403	1.00	–	
>19–20	610	1.15	1.00, 1.31	471	1.02	0.88, 1.18	
>20	527	1.30	1.13, 1.49	368	1.04	0.89, 1.22	0.11
Trend <i>p</i> -value		<0.01			0.61		

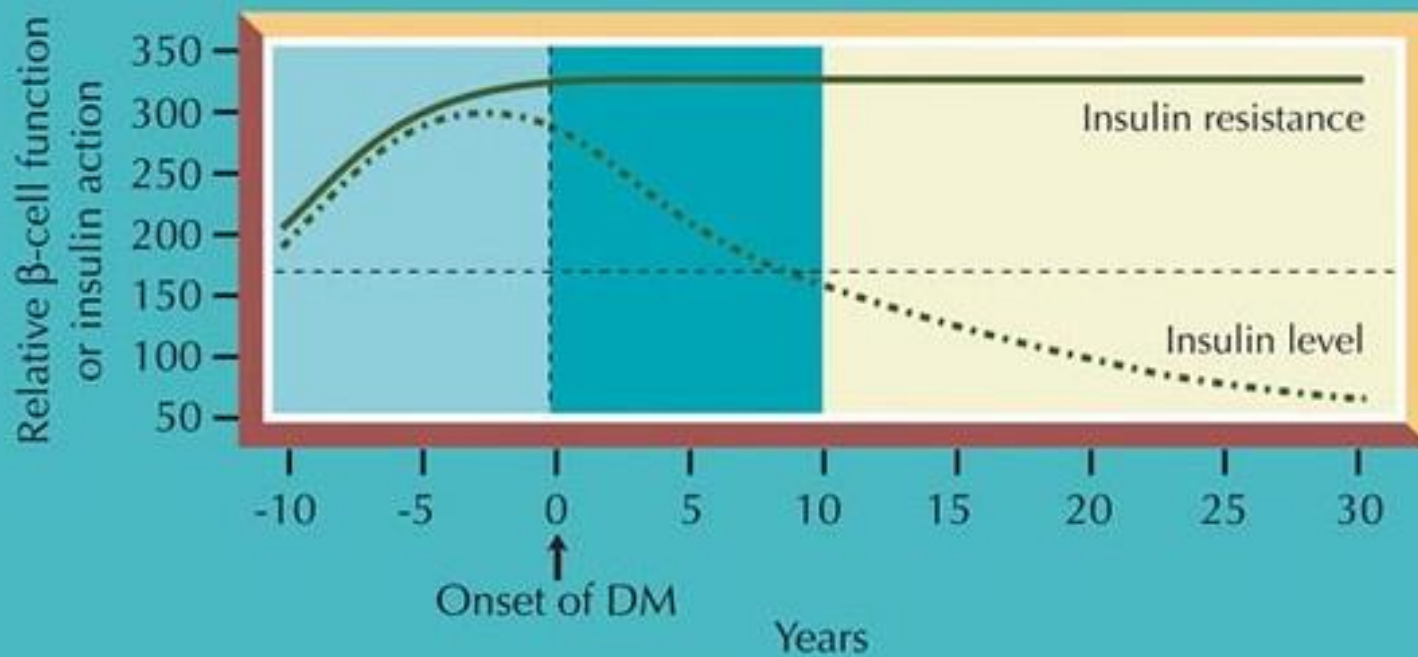
Models adjusted for race, birth year, gestational age, birth order, maternal age, and paternal age

Numbers do not always add to total due to missing values

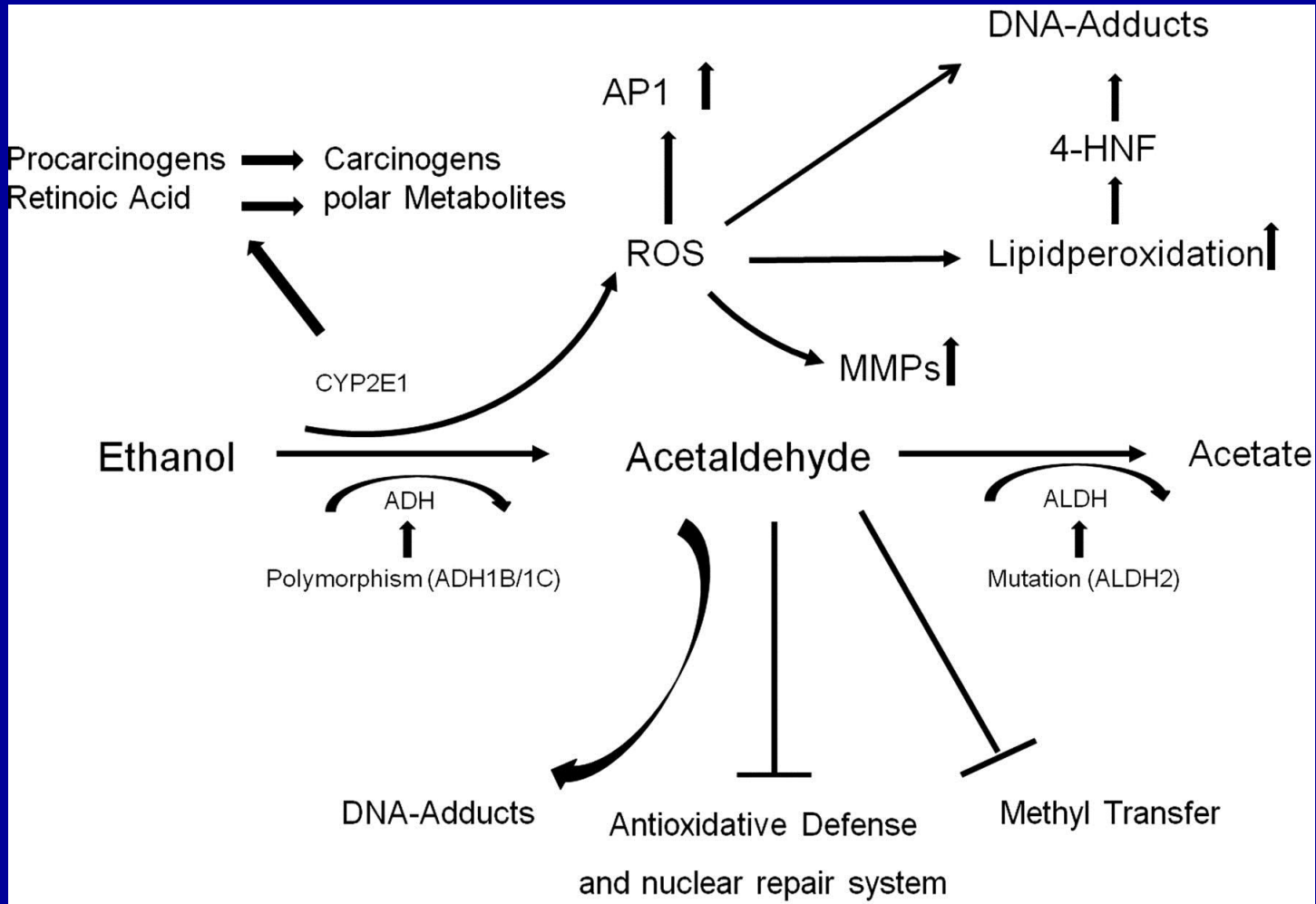
Cases with unknown hormone receptor status were excluded from the analyses

** *p*-Value for interaction computed from likelihood ratio tests from polytomous logistic regression models comparing fit of model with a common slope for all breast cancer outcomes to one that allows for different slopes for tumors with different hormone receptor status

Insulin Resistance is Present Prior to Clinical Diabetes



Ethanol Metabolism and Its Possible Role in Breast Carcinogenesis



Summary Risk Estimates for Breast Cancer Risk Associated with Ever Regular Secondhand Smoke Exposure in the Reports from the California EpA and US Surgeon General

Exposure	California EPA report ⁴		US Surgeon General's report ⁵	
	N	RR (95% CI)	N	RR (95% CI)
All studies	19	1.25 (1.08 to 1.44)	21	1.20 (1.08 to 1.35)
Premenopausal or women <50 (California EPA)/premenopausal (Surgeon General)	14	1.68 (1.31 to 2.15)	11	1.64 (1.25 to 2.14)
Premenopausal: studies with lifetime exposure assessment	5	2.20 (1.69 to 2.87)	6	1.85 (1.19 to 2.87)
Postmenopausal	9	*	10	1.00 (0.88 to 1.12)

*The California EPA did not report a summary risk estimate for postmenopausal women but concluded that risk estimates from the nine studies with data on postmenopausal women 'cluster around a null association'.

IR, IGFIK in Human Breast Cancer

Population: 438 women with invasive BC

Prognostic Effects:

	<u>% Positive</u>	<u>Survival</u>	<u>P Survival</u>
Total IR*	59.0	Worse	0.009
Total IGFIK	37.5	Worse	0.30
Phosphorylated IGFIK/IR	55.3	Worse	0.046

* present vs. absent

Baseline (Fasting)

	<u>Metformin</u> n=237	<u>Placebo</u> n=255	p(2-tail) (Wilcoxon)
Weight (kg)	75.6 ± 15.5	75.9 ± 16.7	0.82
BMI (kg/m²)	28.2 ± 5.4	28.4 ± 6.0	0.83
Glucose (mmol/L)	5.3 ± 0.5	5.2 ± 0.6	0.31
Insulin (pmol/L)	68.4 ± 51.8	70.6 ± 63.4	0.69
HOMA*	2.02 ± 1.25	2.27 ± 2.24	0.95
Leptin (ng/ml)	15.8 ± 13.3	15.8 ± 12.6	0.90
hs-CRP (µg/L)	2.75 ± 3.93	2.68 ± 3.72	0.74

* calculated from glucose and insulin, n=331 with blood draws for both on same date

Metabolic Syndrome and the Risk of Breast Cancer in Postmenopausal Women

Population

- 3,869 breast cancer patients / 4,082 controls
(2 hospital-based case control studies)

Results

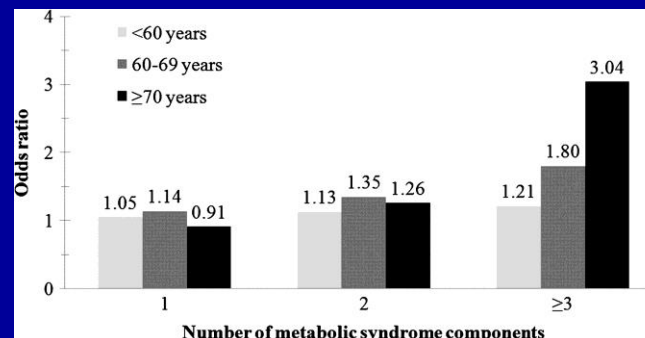
No. of MetS components	First study (1983–1994)		Second study (1991–2007)		All
	Cases : controls	OR (95% CI) ^{a,b}	Cases : controls	OR (95% CI) ^{a,c}	OR (95% CI) ^{a,c}
None	1160 : 1148	1 ^d	624 : 782	1 ^d	1 ^d
1	594 : 564	1.04 (0.90–1.21)	711 : 867	1.13 (0.97–1.32)	1.07 (0.96–1.18)
2	196 : 135	1.46 (1.14–1.85)	393 : 444	1.25 (1.04–1.50)	1.24 (1.08–1.43)
≥3	38 : 23	1.76 (1.03–3.02)	153 : 119	1.87 (1.42–2.47)	1.75 (1.37–2.22)
<i>P</i> for trend		0.0021		<0.0001	<0.0001

^aEstimates from logistic regression models adjusted for age, study center, study period, education, alcohol consumption, age at menarche, age at first birth, age at menopause, hormone replacement therapy use, and family history of breast cancer.

^bMetS was defined as diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, and body mass index ≥ 30 kg/m².

^cMetS was defined as diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, and waist circumference ≥ 88 cm or body mass index ≥ 30 kg/m² for women with missing information for waist circumference.

^dReference category.



Conclusions

The metabolic syndrome is significantly associated with postmenopausal breast cancer risk

Effects of Calorie Reduced Diet and Physical Activity in Healthy Postmenopausal Women

	Change at 12 Months		
	<u>Insulin</u>	<u>Glucose</u>	<u>HOMA-IR</u>
Diet*	-22.3%	-2.4%	-24.3%
Physical Activity**	-7.8%	-0.9%	-8.6%
Diet and Physical Activity	-24.0%	-2.8%	-26.4%
Control	-1.9%	+0.2%	-1.8%

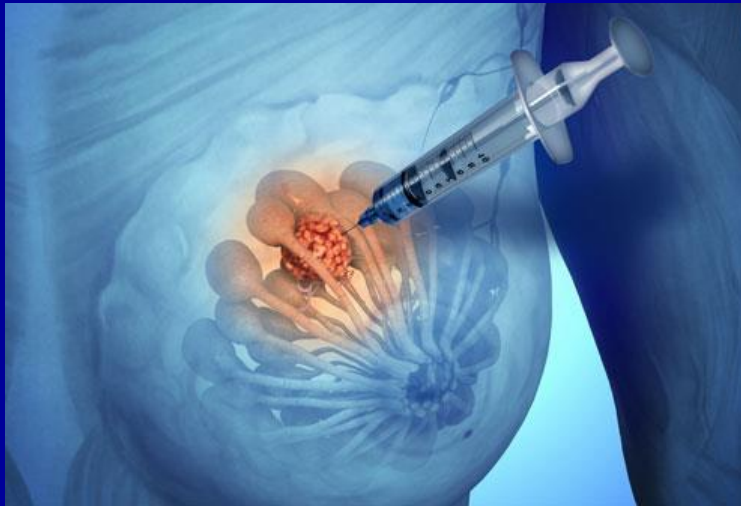
* group based reduced calories with 10% weight loss goal

** 45 minute/day 5 days/week moderate to intense aerobic

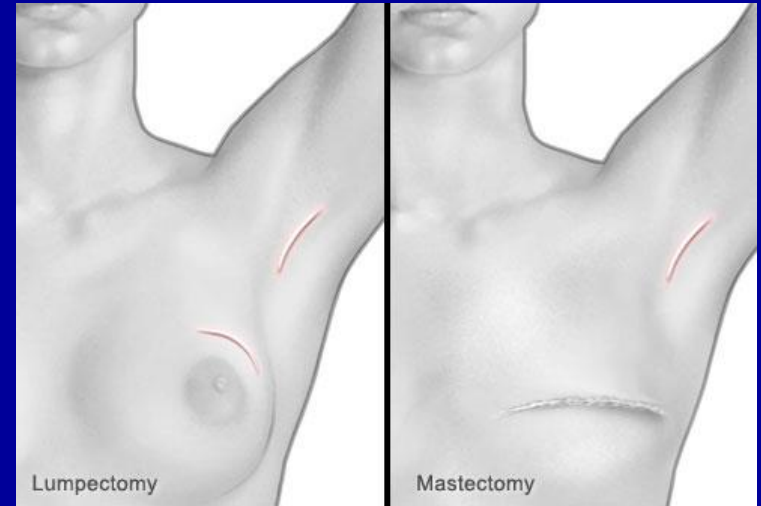
Bolded values $p \leq 0.008$

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Metformin Favorably Impacts Breast Cancer Biology



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Insulin

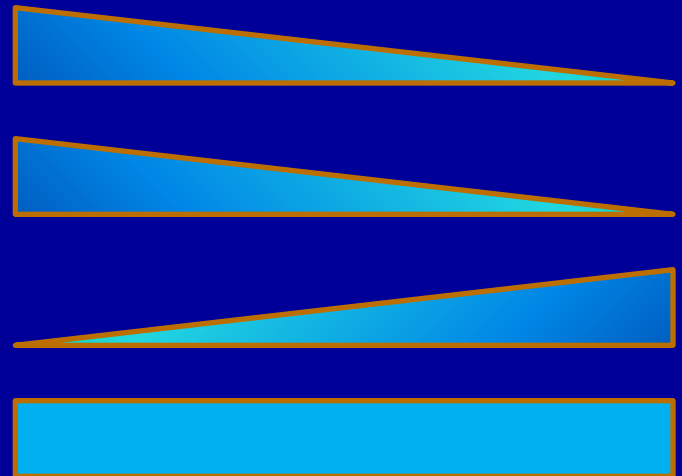
Cancer

Proliferation

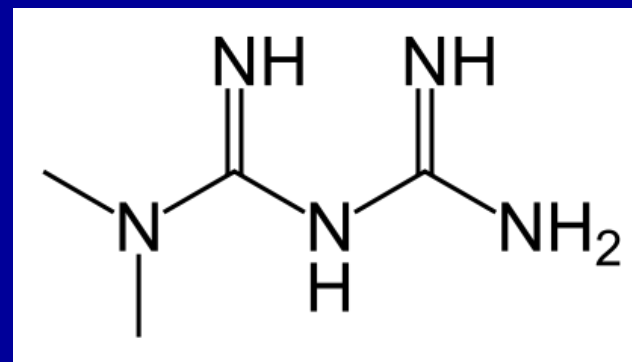
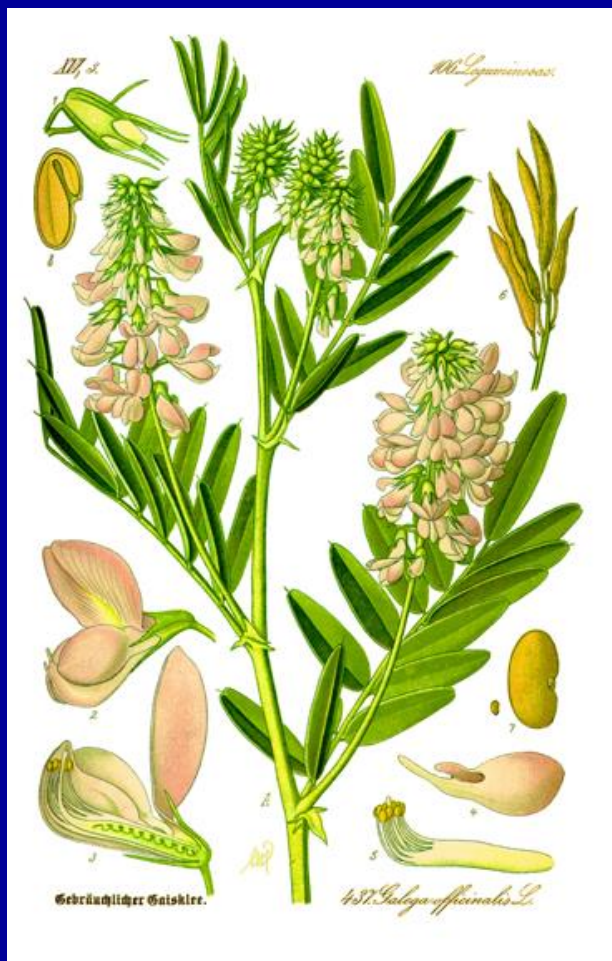
Cancer Cell

Death

Quality of Life



Metformin (Glucophage–Aventis)



- Widely used as treatment for type II diabetes
- Well tolerated, minor GI toxicity
- Lactic acidosis, severe but rare
- Lowers blood glucose and insulin levels without causing weight gain
- AMPK activator, but mechanism uncharacterized

Galega officinalis (Goat's rue/French lilac)