

METABOLIC SYNDROME



OBJECTIVES:

- The metabolic abnormalities of obesity reflect molecular signals originating from the increased mass of adipocytes
- The predominant effects of obesity include:
 - ✓ dyslipidemias
 - ✓ glucose intolerance
 - ✓ and insulin resistance
 - ✓ hypertension

❖ **Important**

❖ Extra

❖ Biochemistry Edit

METABOLIC SYNDROME

Metabolic Syndrome : A combination of metabolic abnormalities which increase the risk of heart disease, diabetes and other diseases.

- **Obesity** is a component of metabolic syndrome
- **Signals from adipocytes in obesity cause metabolic abnormalities such as:**

- ❖ **Dyslipidemia**
- ❖ **Glucose intolerance**
- ❖ **Insulin resistance**
- ❖ **Hypertension**

- Dyslipidemia is an early indicator of insulin resistance
- Liver fat plays a major role in dyslipidemia due to insulin resistance¹

Features of metabolic syndrome:

- ✓ Obesity
- ✓ High serum triglycerides (TGs)
- ✓ Low HDL cholesterol
- ✓ Hypertension
- ✓ Hyperglycemia
- ✓ Insulin resistance (hyperinsulinemia)

1. Because proinflammatory cytokines produced by adipocytes will go from the portal vein to the liver >> decrease insulin sensitivity + increase TAG synthesis >> VLDL release.

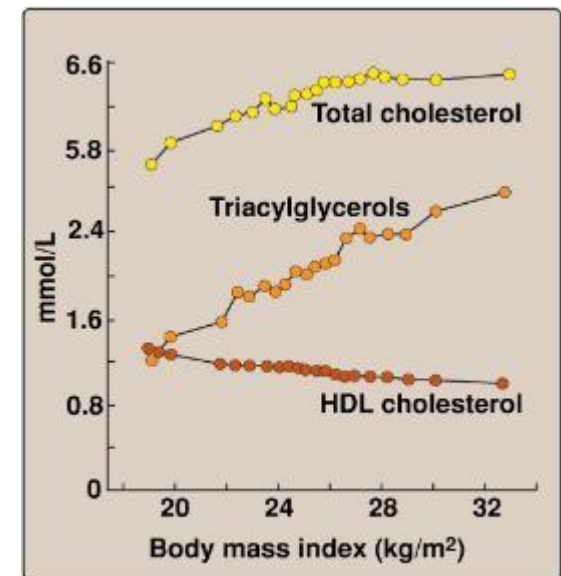
METABOLIC ABNORMALITIES

❖ Insulin resistance

- Cells become less responsive to insulin → high plasma insulin → hyperglycemia
- Hydrolysis of stored fats → high plasma FFAs
- Reduction of glucose uptake/use by cells Reduction of glycogenesis →
- hyperglycemia
- Compensatory hyperinsulinemia causes down regulation of insulin receptor
- Defects in insulin receptor.

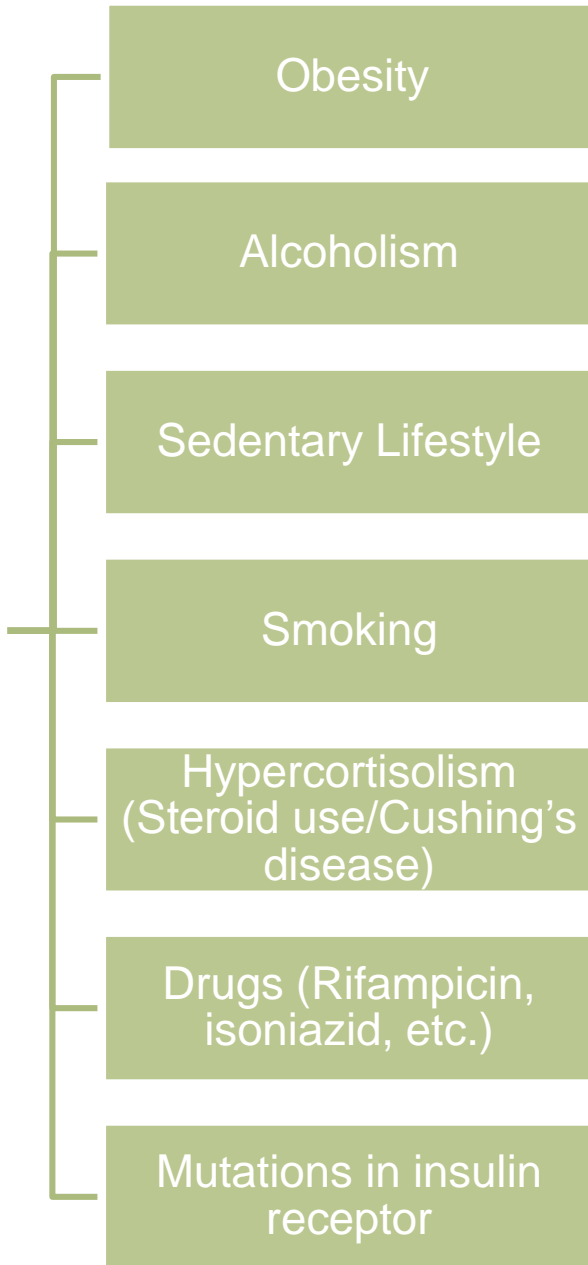
❖ Dyslipidemia

- Insulin resistance in adipocytes → increased activity of **hormone-sensitive lipase** → high plasma FFAs
 - FFAs → TGs/cholesterol in the liver
 - Excess TGs/cholesterol are released as VLDL in the blood.
- HDL levels are decreased



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Risk factors for metabolic syndrome



Metabolic syndrome is linked to:

- A) Heart diseases
1.5-3 fold increase in atherosclerosis
- B) Type-2 diabetes mellitus
5-fold increase
- C) Kidney disease
- D) Reproductive abnormalities in women
 - ✓ Polycystic ovarian syndrome¹
 - ✓ Impaired ovulation and fertility
 - ✓ Irregular menstruation
- E) Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (fatty liver disease) Related to impaired lipid metabolism
- F) Cancer
 - Obesity is a major risk factor for cancer of esophagus, colon and rectum, liver, gall bladder
 - Being overweight and obese accounts for 14% of all cancer deaths in men and 20% of those in women

1. Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is the most common cause of infertility in women, is characterized by ovulatory dysfunction and hyperandrogenism.

DIAGNOSIS

❖ WHO Criteria 1999

- ✓ Impaired glucose tolerance
- ✓ Diabetes mellitus
- ✓ Insulin resistance

PLUS any of these two 

Component	Criterion
Hypertension	BP >140/90 mmHg
Dyslipidemia	High plasma TGs (>1.7mmol/L) Low HDL cholesterol (men <0.9, women <1.0 mmol/L)
Central or General obesity	Waist to hip ratio >0.9 in men, >0.85 in women And/or BMI >30
Microalbuminuria	Urinary albumin excretion rate ≥ 20ug/min or albumin:creatinine ratio ≥ 30mg/g

❖ NCEP¹ ATP² III Guideline (2002)

Diagnosis: If any 3 or more of these risk factors are present:

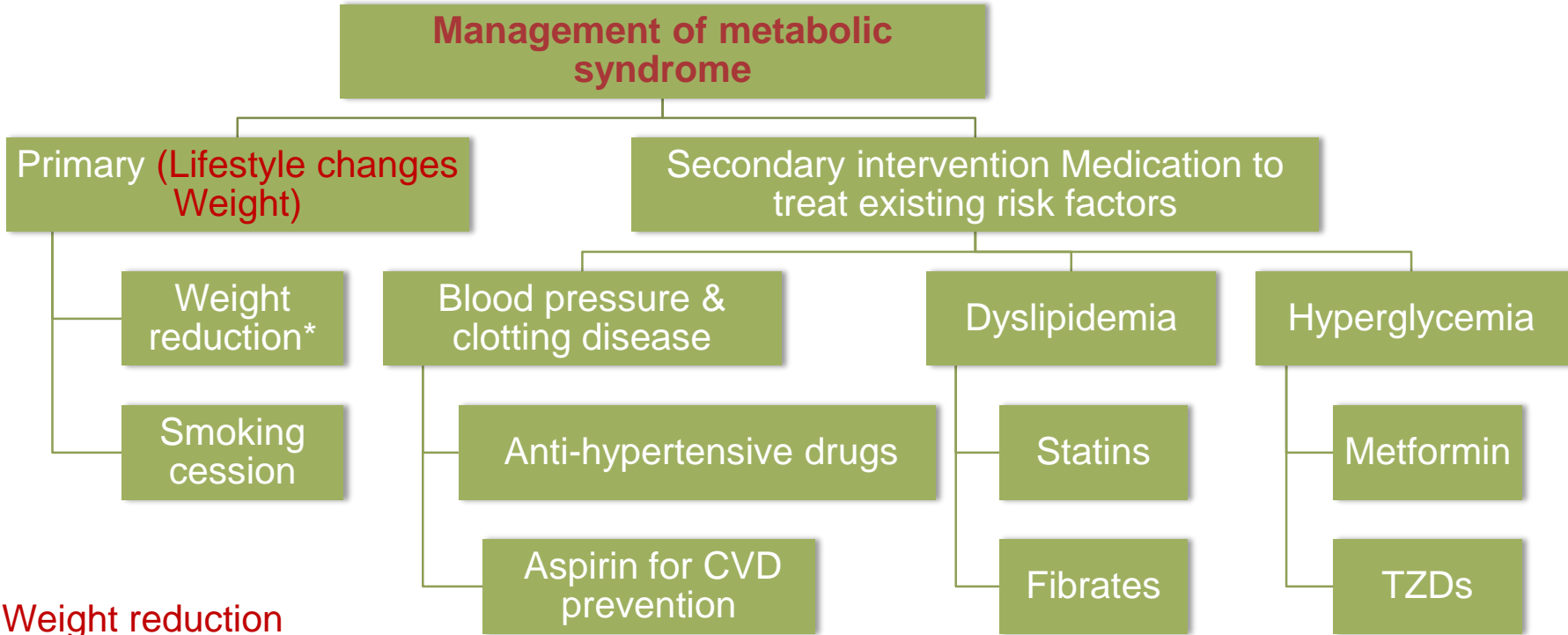
- ✓ Waist circumference:
 - Men >102 cm (>40 in)
 - Women >88 cm (>35 in)
- ✓ Triglycerides >150 mg/dL
- ✓ HDL cholesterol:
 - Men <40 mg/dL
 - Women <50 mg/dL
- ✓ Blood pressure 130/ 85 mm Hg
- ✓ Fasting glucose >100 mg/dL

1.NCEP: National Cholesterol Education Program

2.ATP: Adult Treatment Panel

❖ Markers of metabolic syndrome

- Lipoproteins (LDL, HDL)
- Adipokines (Leptin, adiponectin)
- Inflammatory markers
 - ✓ c-reactive protein, TNF-α, IL-6, IL-8
- Hemostatic marker
 - ✓ Plasminogen activator inhibitor-1



*Weight reduction

- ✓ Target BMI < 25
- ✓ Reduced intake of calories and fats
- ✓ More physical activity

HYPERTENSION AND CLOTTING DISORDERS

LIFE STYLE MODIFICATIONS AND THEIR IMPACT ON LOWERING BP

Modification	Recommendation	Average drop in SBP
Weight loss	Maintain normal body weight	5-10 for every 22lbs loss
Healthy eating plan	Meals rich in fruits, vegetables; low fat dairy; low saturated fats and cholesterol	8-14
Sodium restriction	< 2400 mg/day	2-8
Regular physical activity	30 min. most of the week	4-9

1) Treat hypertension to goal (< 130/80 mmHg)

2) Low dose diuretics

3) ACE inhibitor

4) Aspirin:

- ❖ To treat clotting disorders
- ❖ Daily low dose aspirin (81-325mg) for: (Men > 45 + Postmenopausal women)

❖ DYSLIPIDEMIA

- Fibrates

- Reduce blood lipid levels
- Activate transcription factor:
 - ❖ Peroxisome proliferator activated receptor- α (PPAR- α)
- Activated PPAR- α → transcription of genes of lipid degradation / uptake by the cells:
 - ❖ Carnitine:palmitoyl transferase I (enhances FA uptake into mitochondria)
 - ❖ Lipoprotein Lipase
 - ❖ Stimulates apoA1 and apoAII protein synthesis (major proteins in HDL)

❖ HYPERGLYCEMIA

1) Metformin

- Reduces blood glucose levels by inhibiting hepatic gluconeogenesis
 - ❖ Hepatic gluconeogenesis is active in patients due to liver's resistance to the effects of insulin
- Reduces lipid synthesis in the liver
- Helps reducing blood lipids

2) Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)

- Used for the treatment of insulin resistance and type-2 diabetes mellitus
- TZDs activate PPAR- γ class of transcription factors expressed primarily in the adipose tissue
- Activates the transcription of adiponectin
- Adiponectin reduces the fat content of the liver and enhances insulin sensitivity

SUMMARY

- **Signals from adipocytes in obesity cause metabolic abnormalities such as:**
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 - Insulin resistance
 - Hypertension
- ✓ Obesity is a component of metabolic syndrome.
- **Compensatory hyperinsulinemia causes down regulation of insulin receptor and may lead to Defects in the receptor.**
- **Dyslipidemia means there is an increased VLDL and decrease HDL levels and others.**
- **Cushing's disease is a risk factor for metabolic syndrome.**
- **Some drugs like (Rifampicin, isoniazid) can cause metabolic syndrome.**
- **Metabolic syndrome is linked to Type-2 diabetes mellitus as well as Heart disease, kidney disease, Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis and cancer.**
- **Primary intervention in metabolic syndrome is lifestyle changing.**
- **Thiazolidinediones (TZDs) it Activates the transcription of adiponectin.**

MCQs & SAQs

1-B

2-C

3-C

4-A

1- Which of the following is true about Dyslipidemia?

- A) High HDL
- B) High VLDL
- C) A + B
- D) Low VLDL

2- which of the following could be an early indicator of metabolic syndrome?

- A) Hypertension
- B) Glucose intolerance
- C) Dyslipidemia
- D) None

3- Which of the following is an inflammatory Marker of metabolic syndrome?

- A) Interleukin-2
- B) Interleukin-4
- C) Interleukin-6
- D) Interleukin-1

4- To treat and control a hypertensive patient we need to achieve a blood pressure of?

- A) < 130/80 mmHg
- B) > 140/90 mmHg
- C) < 110/60 mmHg
- D) < 100/50 mmHg

1- Talk briefly about Metabolic Syndrome:

A combination of metabolic abnormalities which increase the risk of heart disease, diabetes and other diseases.

2- Name 3 Features of metabolic syndrome:

- A) Low HDL cholesterol
- B) Hypertension
- C) Hyperglycemia

3- What are the Risk factors for metabolic syndrome? (Mention 4)

- Obesity
- Alcoholism
- Sedentary Lifestyle
- Smoking

4- Name 2 Markers of metabolic syndrome:

Lipoproteins:(LDL, HDL).

-Adipokines: (Leptin, adiponectin).

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