

OBESITY

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Objectives

- * Why to study obesity?
- * What is obesity?
- * Body weight regulation?
- * Why do people come obese?
- * How to manage obesity?

Obesity and mortality





Data from British Regional Heart Survey.

Physical Effects of Obesity



Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease



Steatohepatitis

Fibrosis

NEJM 2002;346:1221-1230

Obesity

• WHO:

"Abnormal or excessive fat accumulation in adipose tissue, to the extent that health is impaired"^(1,2)

• Presence of an abnormal absolute amount or relative proportion of body fat.

- 1. WHO. Obesity: Preventing and Managing the Global Epidemic. Technical report 894. Geneva: WHO, 2000;256
- 2. Garrow JS. Obesity and Related Diseases. Edinburgh: Churchill Livingstone, 1998.

Amount of adipose tissue in human body

- Possible
- Difficult
- Inappropriate to use in the field Time consuming
- Expensive •

Surrogate measures of adiposity

- Ideal body weight
- Weight
- Anthropometric measures
- Body mass index (BMI):
- Recommended by WHO
- Relatively reliable except in:
 - Extremes of age or height
 - Very fit individuals with muscular build

Physical status: the use and interpretation of anthropometry. Report of a WHO expert committee. Geneva: WHO, 1995; 329

WHO recommended definition of obesity (2000)

Classification	BMI(kg/m ²)	Risk of co- morbidities
Underweight	<18.5	LOW (but risk of other clinical problems increased)
Normal range	18.5-24.9	Average
Overweight	>25.0	
Pre-obese	25-29.9	Mildly increase

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Classification	BMI(kg/m ²)	Risk of co- morbidities
Obese	>30	
Class I	30-34.9	Moderate
Class II	35-39.9	Severe
Class III	>40.0	Very severe

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Definition

 Production of ethnic-specific cut-points for obesity



Additional interim cut-point of BMI of 23kg/m² or greater to indicate overweight in Asian populations and a BMI of 25kg/m² to represent a higher level of risk equivalent to obesity

WHO (Western Pacific Region), International Obesity Taskforce and International Association for the Study of Obesity. The Asia-Pacific Perspective: Redefining obesity and its Treatment. Sydney: Health Communication, 2000

Central Obesity

- Central or visceral obesity is associated with more metabolic disease:
- DM₂
- Hypertension
- Dyslipidemia
- ? How to assess central or visceral obesity?

Waist Measurement or BMI?





Central Obesity

- MRI
- Dual X-ray absorptiometry (DEXA)
- Single CT slice L4/L5
- Waist: hip ratio
- Waist circumference

The narrowest circumference midway between the lower border of the ribs and the upper border of the iliac crest, taken from the side

Waist circumference (measure of visceral obesity)

Population	Risk of metabolic complications of obesity	
	Increased	Substantially Increased
Caucasian (wнo)		
Men	>94 cm	>102 cm
Women	>80 cm	>88 cm
Asia (IASO/IOTF/WHO)		
Men		>90 cm
Women		>80 cm
China (wgoc)		
Men		>85 cm
Women		>80 cm

Obesity in children

- Growth charts
- BMI-for-age reference charts
- "International standard" BMI-for-age:
- Cole et al. (BMJ 2000; 320:1240-1243)
- Combined sample of seven countries
- By tracking the percentile representing a BMI of 25kg/m² and 30kg/m² at 18 years backthrough to birth.
- It's use will provide a standard definition and enable meaningful comparisons to be made between countries.

Cole et al. (BMJ 2000; 320:1240-1243)



Fig 6 International cut off points for body mass index by sex for overweight and obesity, passing through body mass index 25 and 30 kg/m² at age 18 (data from Brazil, Britain, Hong Kong, Netherlands, Singapore, and United States)

Cole et al. (BMJ 2000; 320:1240-1243)

	Body mass index 25 kg/m ²		Body mass index 30 kg/m ²	
Age (years)	Males	Females	Males	Females
2	18.41	18.02	20.09	19.81
2.5	18.13	17.76	19.80	19.55
3	17.89	17.56	19.57	19.36
3.5	17.69	17.40	19.39	19.23
4	17.55	17.28	19.29	19.15
4.5	17.47	17.19	19.26	19.12
5	17.42	17.15	19.30	19.17
5.5	17.45	17.20	19.47	19.34
6	17.55	17.34	19.78	19.65
6.5	17.71	17.53	20.23	20.08
7	17.92	17.75	20.63	20.51
7.5	18.16	18.03	21.09	21.01
8	18.44	18.35	21.60	21.57
8.5	18.76	18.69	22.17	22.18
9	19.10	19.07	22.77	22.81
9.5	19.46	19.45	23.39	23.46
10	19.84	19.86	24.00	24.11
10.5	20.20	20.29	24.57	24.77
11	20.55	20.74	25.10	25.42
11.5	20.89	21.20	25.58	26.05
12	21.22	21.68	26.02	26.67
12.5	21.56	22.14	26.43	27.24
13	21.91	22.58	26.84	27.76
13.5	22.27	22.98	27.25	28.20
14	22.62	23.34	27.63	28.57
14.5	22.96	23.66	27.98	28.87
15	23.29	23.94	28.30	29.11
15.5	23.60	24.17	28.60	29.29
16	23.90	24.37	28.88	29.43
16.5	24.19	24.54	29.14	29.56
17	24.46	24.70	29.41	29.69
17.5	24.73	24.85	29.70	29.84
18	25	25	30	30

Etiology & Pathogenesis

- Multifactorial
- Biochemical/Dietary/behavioral pathways.
- Imbalance between energy intake and energy expenditure



Body weight and composition regulation



Hypothalamic modulators of food intake

Orexigenic	Anorexigenic
NPY	CART
AGRP	CCK
MCH	CRH
Galanin	α–MSH
Orexin	Insulin
Ghrelin	GLP-1
Noradrenaline	PYY 3-36
Endocannabinoids	Leptin
μ, κ Opioids	Urocortin
Neurotransmitters	Bombesin

Etiology & Pathogenesis

Body weight is ultimately determined by the interaction of:

- Genetic
- Environmental and
- Psychosocial factors
- Acting through several physiological mediators of food intake and energy expenditure

■(Jebb, 1997; Cooling *et al.* 1998; Weinsier *et al.* 1998).

Etiological classification of obesity

- Neuroendocrine disease
- Drug-induced
- Dietary
- Reduced energy expenditure
- Genetic factors

Neuroendocrine obesity

- Ventromedial hypothalamus damage:
- Tumors
- Inflammatory lesions
- Other hypothalamic disease
- Cushing disease

Drug-induced obesity

- Hyperinsulinism
- Insulin
- Sulfonylureas
- Antidepressants
- Antiepileptics
- Neuroleptics

Dietary obesity

- High carbohydrate diet
- Hi fat diet

Change in BMI (kg/m²) from 1989 to 1991



S Paeratakul, et al. Int J Obesity (1998) 22, 424-431

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Energy expenditure

- <u>Resting metabolism:</u>
- 800 to 900 kcal/m²/24hr
- Females < Males
- Declines with age
- Physical exercise:
- ~ 1/3 of daily energy expenditure
- Most easily manipulated

Energy expenditure

- Dietary thermogenesis (thermic effect of food):
- Energy expenditure which follow the ingestion of meal
- May dissipate ~ 10% of the ingested calories
- In the obese, the thermic effects of food are reduced (especially in patients with diabetes)
- Adaptive thermogenesis:
- With acute over or underfeeding
- Shift in overall metabolism as large as 20%

- <u>Dysmorphic or syndromic obesity:</u>
- Bardet-Biel syndrome
- Alström syndrome
- Carpenter syndrome
- Cohen syndrome
- Prader-Willi syndrome

- <u>Single-gene cause of obesity:</u>
- Leptin and leptin gene deficiency
- POMC deficiency
- <u>Genetic defects with nonsyndromic</u>
 <u>obesity:</u>
- Melanocortin receptor system abnormalities

- <u>Genetic susceptibility to obesity:</u>
- If both parents are obese ~ 80% of the offspring will be obese
- If only one parent ~ 10% of the offspring will be obese
- Studies with identical twins:
- Hereditary factors account ~ 70%
- Environmental (diet, physical inactivity, or both) account ~ 30% of the variation in the body weight

- The notion that obesity is a genetic disorder is misleading:
- The prevalence of obesity has increased markedly, world-wide, in recent years, yet genes have not changed.
- Changes occur within population when migration occurs.

Phenotypic expression of genes for obesity are environment specific Obesity is a disorder of gene-environment interaction

METABOLIC CONSEQUENCES OF DELETING THE MITOCHONDRIAL GLYCEROL 3-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE GENE IN MICE

Am J Physiol Regul Integr Comp Physiol 287: R147–R156, 2004. First published March 18, 2004; 10.1152/ajpregu.00103.2004.

Mice with deletion of the mitochondrial glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase gene exhibit a thrifty phenotype: effect of gender

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The NADH glycerol 3-phosphate shuttle





Objectives

We studied the consequences of deleting the mGPD gene regarding:

- Responses to fat- or carbohydrate-rich diets.
- Tolerance and responses to caloric restriction and fasting.

Serum Triglycerides

Food intake

Body Weight

Weight Loss

Change in Energy Expenditure

Core temperature change at 22°C

Conclusions

Thus, The mGPD can be considered a spendthrift enzyme that significantly contributes to obligatory thermogenesis

Conclusions

 The mGPD gene may play a role in the development of obesity if we consider the readiness with which some patients gain weight, and the difficulties the have to lose weight when undergoing a low calorie diets

Factors participating in body-weight maintenance •

Management

Healthy eating

• Careful Training in :

Selection of lower fat, lower carb foods Modified food guide pyramid Increase fruits & vegetables Lower fat preparation techniques Estimation of portion size

Atkins diet 6 mo results

BMI 42.9, 40% diabetic. TG, insulin, glucose; p<0.01. NEJM 2003;348: 2074

Atkins diet 24 months

33 each group; 1/3 dropouts; no diabetics, BMI 33; ↓ TG HDL NEJM 2003;348: 2082

Dangers of Atkins diet

- High saturated fat and cholesterol: CVD
- High protein: decline in renal function, urinary calcium losses (osteoporosis)
- Lack of fiber: increase colon cancer risk
- Avoidance of carbs results in decreased intakes of essential vitamins (thiamin, folate,B6) and anti-oxidant phytochemicals

Exercise for Weight Maintenance

Modified from Pavlou KN, et al. Am J Clin Nutr. 1989;49:1115-1123.

What interventions should we add to weight reducing diets in adults with obesity? A systematic review of randomized controlled trials of adding drug therapy, exercise, behaviour therapy or combinations of these interventions

Avenell, at al. The British Dietetic Association Ltd 2004. J Hum Nutr Dietet, 17, pp. 293–316

Orlistat

- A lipase inhibitor, reduces the absorption of dietary fat
- Lowers Cholesterol (4-11%) & LDL (5-10%)
- Major C/I:
- Chronic malabsorption syndrome
- Cholestasis
- Pregnancy and breast feeding
- Dose:
- 120 mg/ immediately before, during, or up to 1 hour after each main meal (up to max. 360mg/day)
- Max. period of treatment is 2 year

Body Weight Over 2 Years of treatment with orlistat

JAMA. 1999;281:235-242

Stepped approach to obesity treatment

Liraglutide is a once-daily human GLP-1 analogue

Glu

GΙι

Human endogenous GLP-1

 $T_{1/2} = ~2 mins$

Liraglutide

97% amino acid homology to human GLP-1; improved PK: albumin binding through acylation; heptamer formation

C-16 fatty acid (palmitoyl)

Lys Ala Ala GIn Gly Glu Leu Tyr Se

Ile Ala Trp Leu Val Arg Gly Arg Gly

Slow absorption from subcutis Resistant to DPP-4 Long plasma half-life (T_{1/2}=13 h)

Weight loss across Phase 3a trials

Data are observed means; last observation carried forward at end of trial; N, number of individuals contributing to the analysis *Low calorie diet (total energy intake 1200–1400 kcal/day)

1. Pi-Sunyer et al. N Engl J Med 2015;373:11–22; 2. le Roux CW et al. Lancet. 2017;389:1399–1409; 3. Davies et al. JAMA 2015;314:687–99; 4. Blackman et al. Int J Obes (Lond) 2016;40:1310–19; 5. Wadden et al. Int J Obes (Lond) 2013;37:1443–51

Change in body weight (%) Early responders and non-responders: 0–56 weeks

Early responders, individuals who achieved ≥5% weight loss from baseline at 16 weeks; early non-responders, individuals who achieved <5% weight loss from baseline at 16 weeks. Week 56 completers, FAS, fasting visit data only. Line graphs are observed means (±95% CI).

CI, confidence interval; FAS, full analysis set

Blüher et al. IDF 2015. 30 November-4 December 2015, Vancouver, Canada. Poster 0208-P

For Those Who Don't Lose Weight

- Reassess:
 - Understanding and compliance with diet, physical activity, and drug regimen
 - Accuracy of weight recordings
 - Possible Fluid retention (salt intake, etc)
 - Changes in medical condition
 - Motivation for change
 - Social and personal stress
 - Is the provider of health care the root of the problem ?

For Those Who Don't Lose Weight and There is no Cause Except Noncompliance with Diet & Exercise

- Consider changing medication
- consider referral to: Dietitian Behavioral counselor Exercise professional
- Reconsider goal: i.e. simple maintenance or a rest from weight loss efforts
- Discuss surgical options if medically or psychologically indicated

Surgery

Bariatric surgery

Gagnon et al. 2018

Sjöström, et al. NEJM. 2004. 351:2683-2693

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Postoperative care

Issues to consider

Multidisciplinary post-operative follow up

Micro and Macronutrients supplementation

Post-operative nutritional and behavioral advice

Weight loss and weight regain post-surgery

Short and long-term complications

Physical activity

Management of comorbidities

Psychological aspects

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