

Bread and the Mediterranean diet: A duet for the prevention of chronic diseases

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THE GLOBAL BURDEN OF MALNUTRITION 2016

OUT OF A WORLD POPULATION OF
7 BILLION

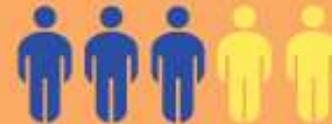


About **2 billion** people suffer from micronutrient malnutrition



Nearly **800 million** people suffer from calorie deficiency

OUT OF **5 BILLION**
ADULTS WORLDWIDE



Nearly **2 billion** are overweight or obese



One in 12 has type 2 diabetes

OUT OF **667 MILLION** CHILDREN UNDER AGE 5 WORLDWIDE



159 million under age 5 are too short for their age (stunted)



50 million do not weigh enough for their height (wasted)

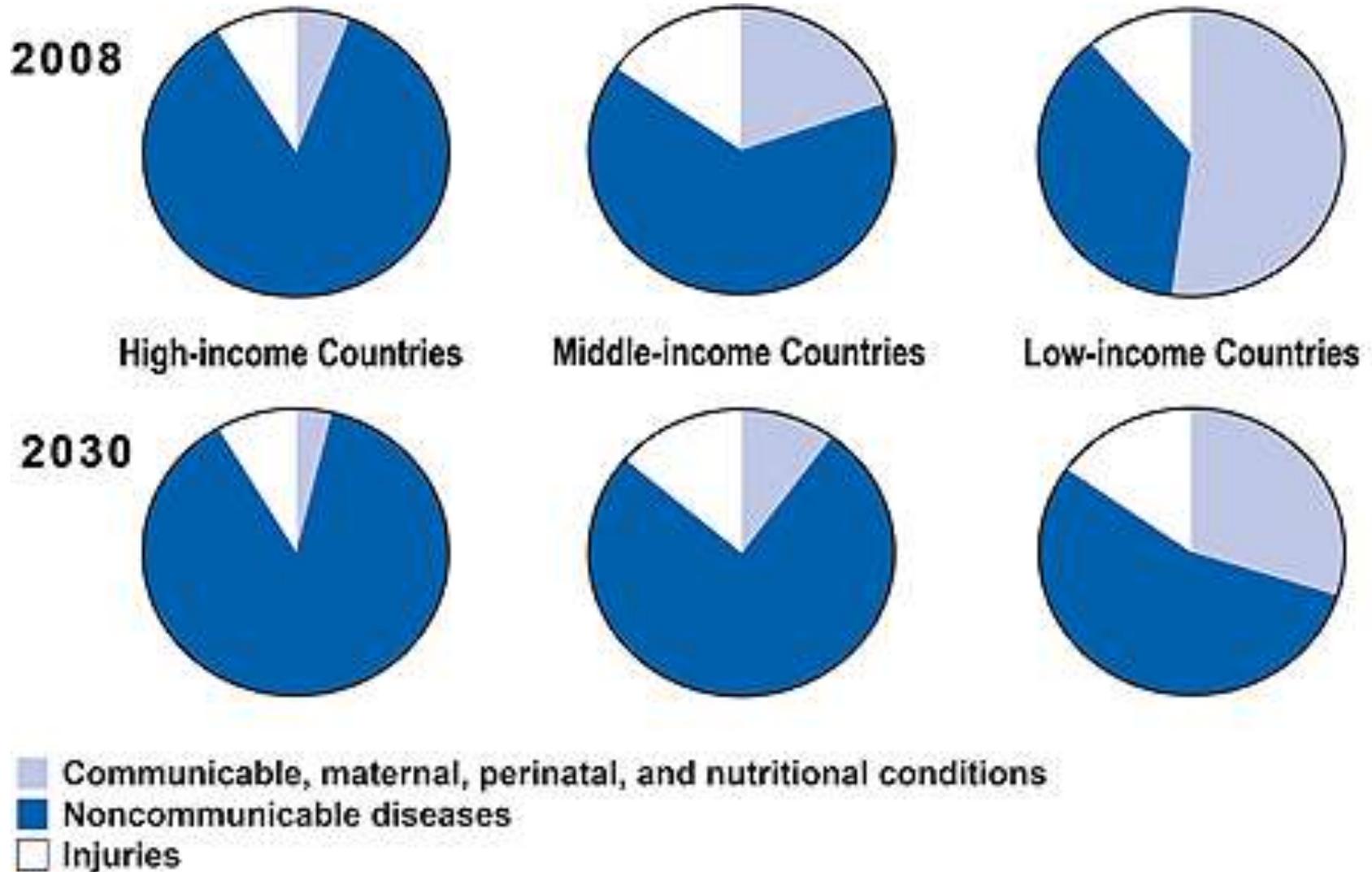


41 million are overweight

OUT OF 129 COUNTRIES WITH DATA, **57 COUNTRIES**

have serious levels of both undernutrition and adult overweight (including obesity)

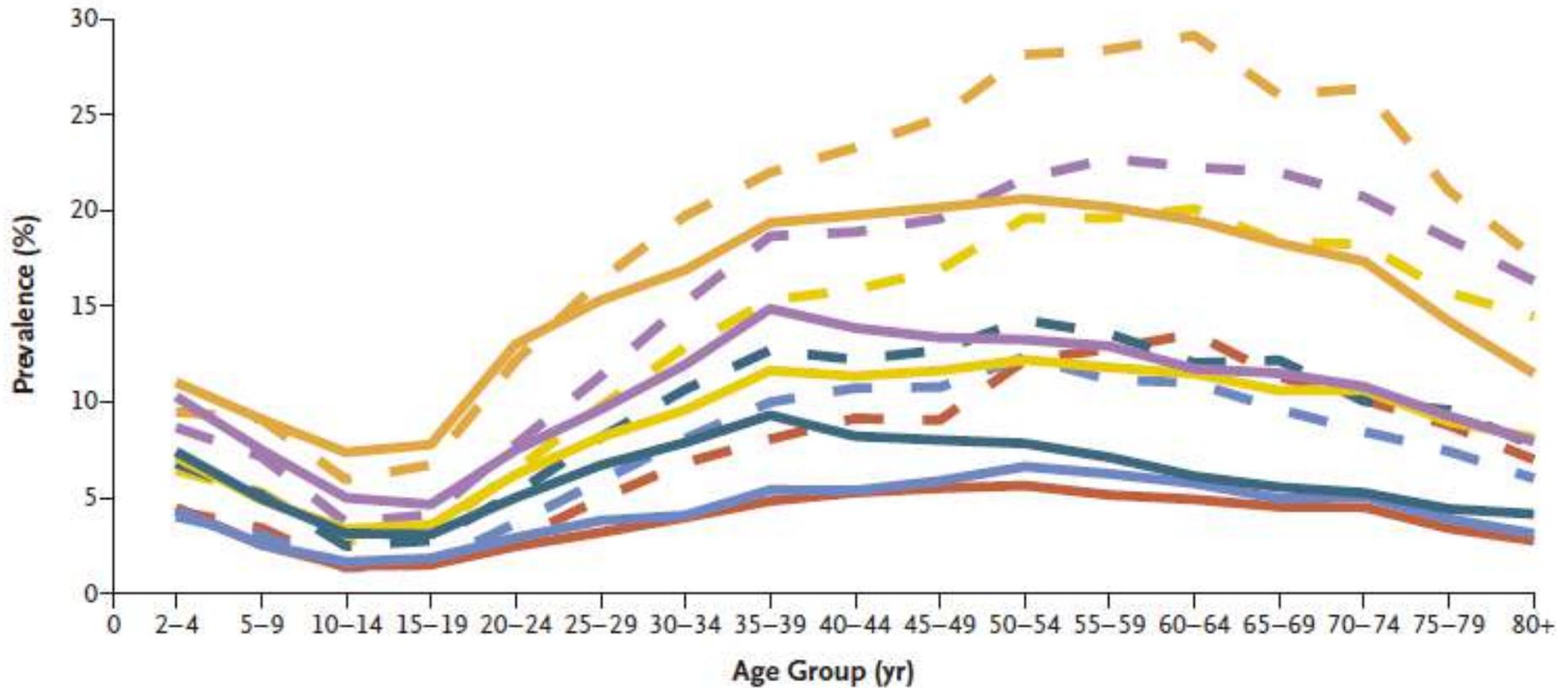
PREVALENCE OF NON-COMMUNICABLE CHORNIC DISEASES



GLOBAL PREVALENCE OF OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY

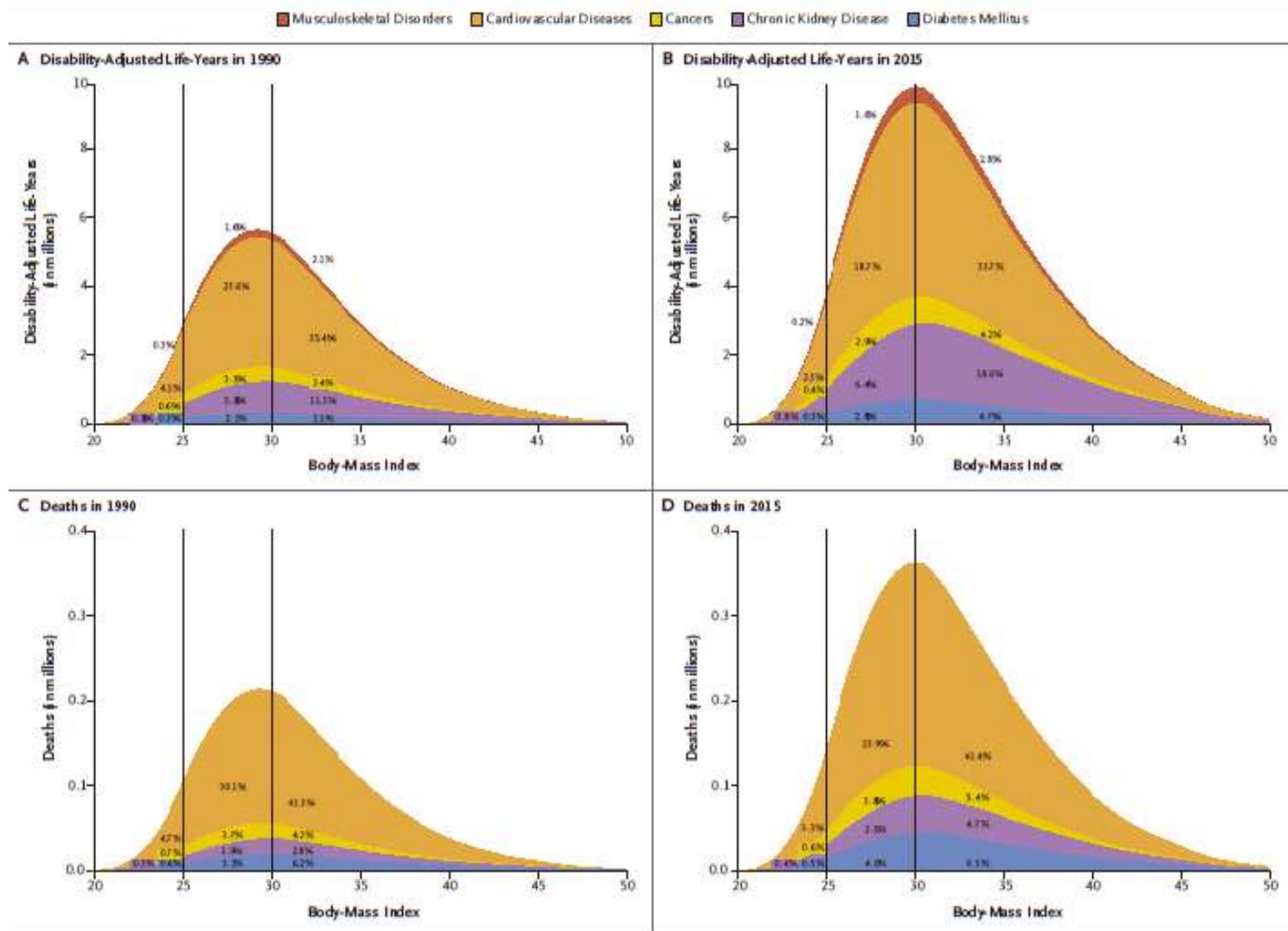
— Male - - Female — Global — Low SDI — Low-middle SDI — Middle SDI — High-middle SDI — High SDI

A Obesity According to Age Group



The GBD 2015 Obesity Collaborators. N Engl J Med 2017;377:13-27.

Global Disability-Adjusted Life-Years and Deaths Associated with a High Body-Mass Index (1990–2015).

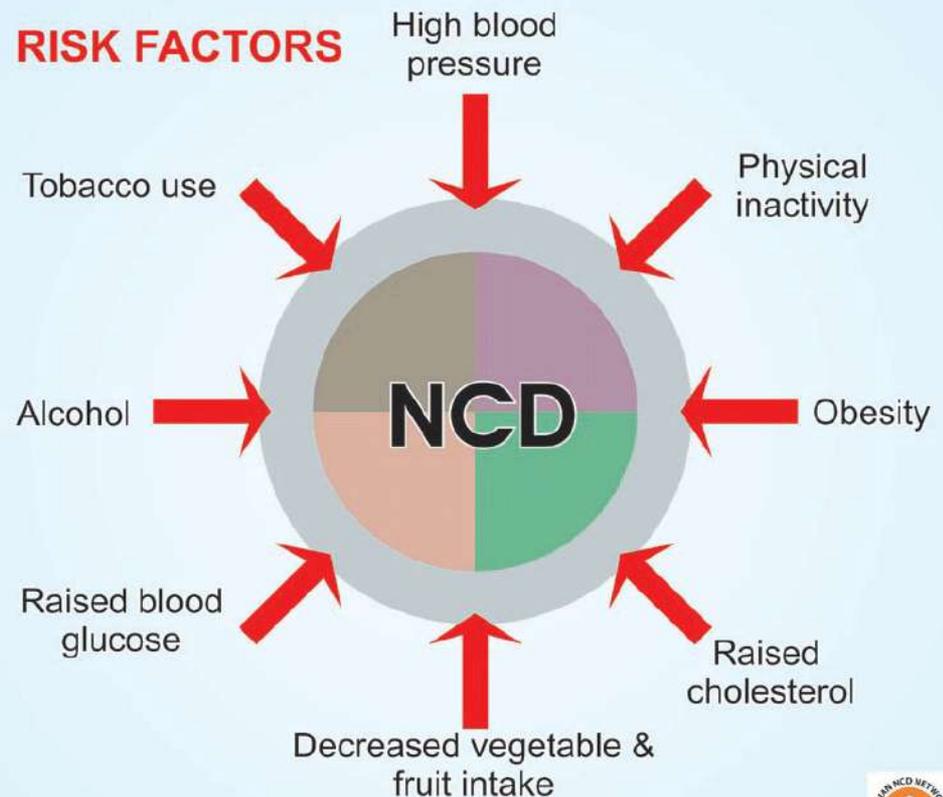


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RISK FACTORS OF NCCD

- ▶ **Cardiovascular disease**
- ▶ **Diabetes**
- ▶ **Cancer**
- ▶ **Chronic respiratory disease**
- ▶ **Hypertension**
- ▶ **Dyslipidemia**
- ▶ **Obesity**
- ▶ **Metabolic syndrome**
- ▶ **Arthritis**
- ▶ **Osteopenia/osteoporosis**
- ▶ **Degenerative disc disease**
- ▶ **Depression**
- ▶ **Sarcopenia and frailty**
- ▶ **Cognitive impairment**
- ▶ **Cerebrovascular disease**
- ▶ **Neurodegenerative disease**
- ▶ **Rheumatoid arthritis**

- **Cardiovascular disease (CVD)**
- **Diabetes Mellitus (DM)**
- **Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)**
- **Cancer**



OBESITY: A FACTOR PREDISPONENT TO OTHER CHRONIC DISEASES

➤ **Exces bodyweight and obesity is the 6th most important risk factor contributing to the overall burden of disease worldwide**

➤ **Obesity predisposes individuals to an increased risk of developing many diseases:**

Atherosclerosis

Type 2 diabetes

Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

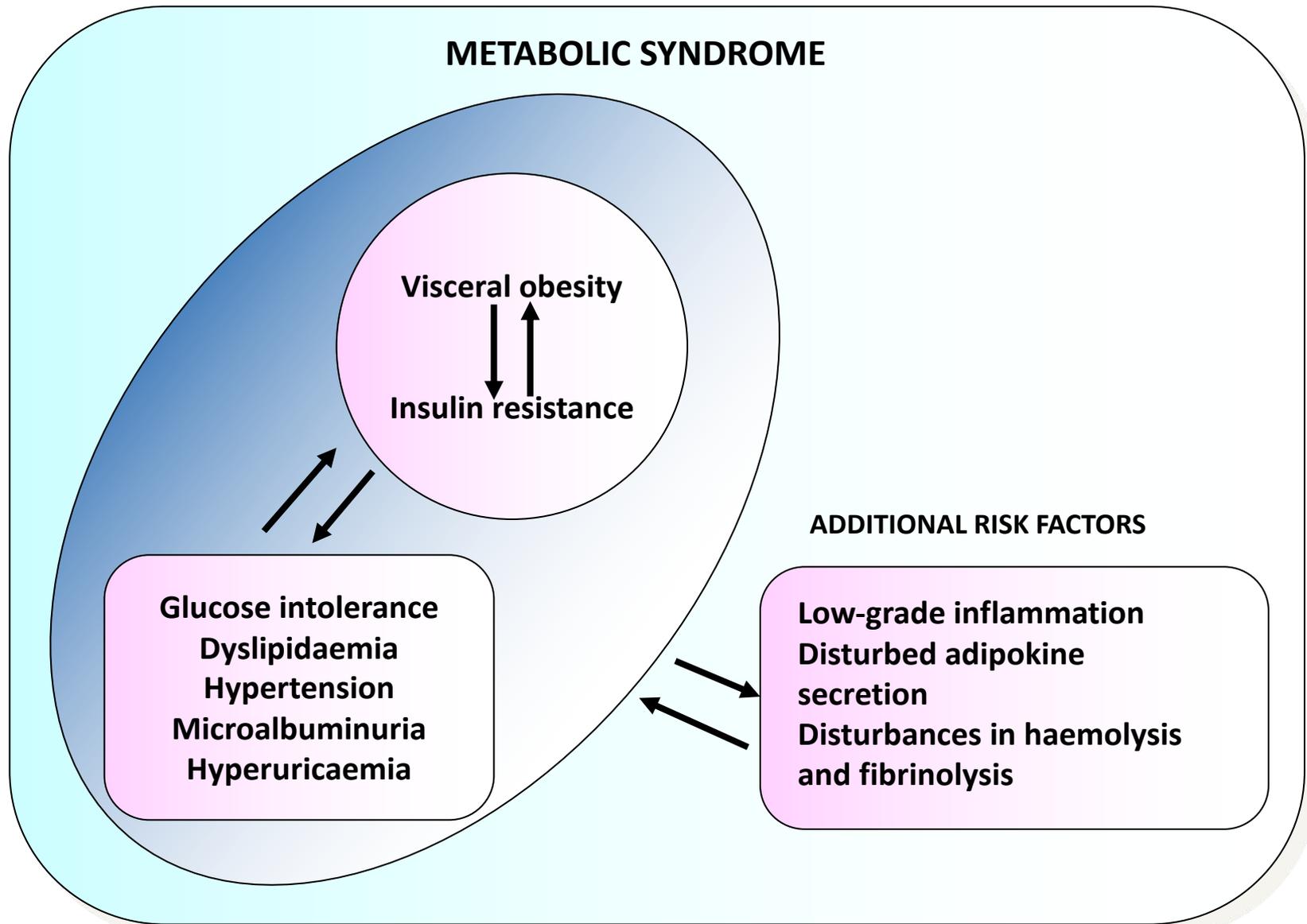
Cancer

Immune-mediated diseases (Asthma)

Sleep apnea

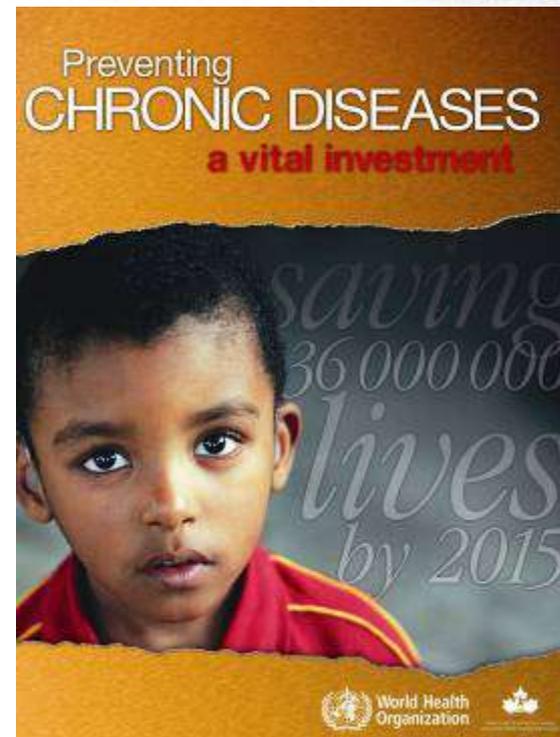
Bone fracture

MAIN METABOLIC DISTURBANCES ASSOCIATED TO OBESITY



Preventing CHRONIC DISEASES a vital investment

ii Mortality due to NCCD
could be reduced by 50% by
application of recent
knowledge ii



CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND PREVENTION OF CD: GENERAL ASPECTS

- The promotion of healthy lifestyles is one of the major goals of governments and international agencies all over the world.
- Wholegrain foods are considered as an important part of human diet due to their content of basic nutrients and health-enhancing or functional components. Wholegrain cereals are rich in nutrients and many phytochemical compounds, with recognised benefits for health, including dietary fibre, a number of phenolic compounds, lignans, vitamins and minerals and other bioactive components.
- The European, Canadian and USDA's dietary guidelines recommend approximately 3-8 servings of grains per day, of which at least one-half should come from wholegrain
- The beneficial health effects of grains are based on the positive relationship found between consumption of WG foods and reduced risk of chronic diseases.

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND OBESITY

A long-standing belief held by the general public is that bread fattens. This encourages many people to restrict, or even eliminate, bread from their diet.

A systematic review including the results of a total of 38 epidemiological studies (22 cross-sectional, 11 prospective cohort, and 5 intervention) indicate that dietary patterns that include whole-grain bread do not positively influence weight gain and may be beneficial to ponderal status. With respect to dietary patterns that include refined bread, the majority of cross-sectional studies indicate beneficial effects, while most of the well designed cohort studies demonstrate a possible relationship with excess abdominal fat.

Bautista-Castaño & Serra-Majem. Nutr Rev 2012; 218-233

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Modification of appetite by bread consumption: A systematic review of randomized controlled trials

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The inclusion of appropriate ingredients such as fiber, proteins, legumes, seaweeds and acids into breads and the use of specific technologies may result in the development of healthier breads that increase satiety and satiation, which may aid in the control of weight gain and benefit postprandial glycemia.

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND COMPONENTS OF METABOLIC SYNDROME HYPERTENSION (HTN)

- HTN remains an important public health problem.
- Whole grain breakfast cereal has been shown to decrease the risk of developing HTN
- In a cohort of 5,880 Spanish men and women, as compared to the lowest quintile of cereal fiber intake, the highest quintile was associated with a 40% decreased risk of HTN

Alonso, A., et al. Arch Med Res, 2006. 37: 778-86

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND COMPONENTS OF METABOLIC SYNDROME HYPERTENSION (HTN)

➤ In a study of 28,926 female participants from the Women's Health Study, multivariable adjusted RR's of HTN in subjects consuming <0.5, 0.5 to <1, 1 to <2, 2 to <4, and ≥ 4 wholegrain servings/day were 1.00 (reference), 0.96 (0.89-1.03), 0.95(0.88-1.02), 0.92 (0.85-0.99), 0.89 (0.82-0.97), respectively

Wang, L., et al., Am J Clin Nutr, 2007;.86: 472-9

➤ In the Health Professionals Follow-Up Study, the relative risk (RR) of HTN was 0.81 (95% CI: 0.75-0.87) in the highest compared with the lowest quintile of whole grain consumption (from various sources such as breakfast cereal, dark bread, cooked brown rice, and pasta)

Flint, A.J., et al., Am J Clin Nutr, 2009; 90: 493-8

In a cohort of 13,368 US male physicians, it has been shown a dose dependent inverse association between consumption of whole grain breakfast cereal and the risk of developing HTN, after adjusting for age, smoking, BMI, alcohol consumption, fruit and vegetable consumption, physical activity, and history of DM

Kochar et al. Clin Nutr 2012; 31; 89-92.

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND COMPONENTS OF METABOLIC SYNDROME CHOLESTEROL

In a subsample of the Study Tracking Health Professionals and the Nurses' Health Study II, a broad range of biomarkers related to the metabolic syndrome was measured. Greater consumption of wholegrain cereal was associated with lower homocysteine and total cholesterol as well as low levels of inflammatory biomarkers

Jensen MK et al . Am J Clin Nutr 2006; 83, 275–283.

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES

There is ample epidemiological and clinical evidence that relates the consumption of wholegrain cereals with a reduced risk of coronary disease.

Subjects who ingest three or more rations of foods per day based on integral cereals have a 20–30% lower risk than subjects who ingest low quantities of cereals, and this level of protection is not observed with the ingestion of refined cereals, these being even higher than with the intake of fruits and vegetables.

Gil A, et al. Public Health Nutrition, 2011; 14: 2316-22

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES

A significant inverse trend between the intake of wholegrain cereal and mortality by CVD, independently of demography, lifestyle or dietary factors. In addition, glucose while fasting and the BMI diminished as the quartiles increased in the category of wholegrain consumption has been found

Sahyoun NR et al. Am J Clin Nutr 2006; 83, 124–131.

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND HEART FAILURE

- Heart failure is the leading cause of hospitalization in the elderly in Western countries.
- In the Physicians' Health Study cohort, for average weekly whole grain cereal consumption of 0 servings, 1 or fewer, 2 to 6, and 7 or more decreases the hazard ratios of HF from 14 to 28%, after adjusting for age, smoking, alcohol consumption, vegetable consumption, use of multivitamins, exercise, and history of atrial fibrillation, valvular heart disease, and left ventricular hypertrophy.

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS (DM)

➤ The beneficial effect of whole grain consumption on DM has been shown in multiple other studies ranging from cross sectional studies and in randomized controlled trials.

McKeown, N.M., et al Am J Clin Nutr, 2002; 76: 390-8.

Jang, Y., et al., Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol, 2001;21: 2065-71.

➤ In a randomized trial of 76 male patients with history of coronary artery disease, as compared to the control group, consumption of whole grain meal daily for 16 weeks decreased serum glucose concentration by 24%, and insulin levels by 14%.

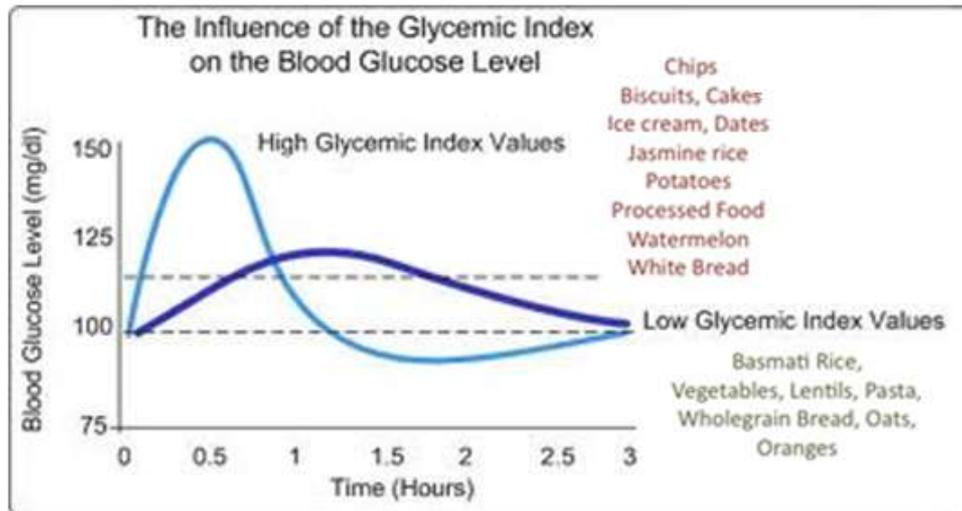
Jang, Y., et al., Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol, 2001;21: 2065-71.

In a study of 21,152 male participants of the Physicians' Health Study I (PHS) cereal consumption decreased the risk of diabetes by 11 to 45% (lower to higher), after adjusting for age, cigarette smoking, BMI, physical activity, vegetable consumption, and alcohol intake

Kochar et al. Obesity 2007; 15: 3039-44.

GLYCAEMIC LOAD (GL)

The **glycaemic index (GI)** is a measure of how much a food raises blood sugar levels when compared against the effects of pure glucose.

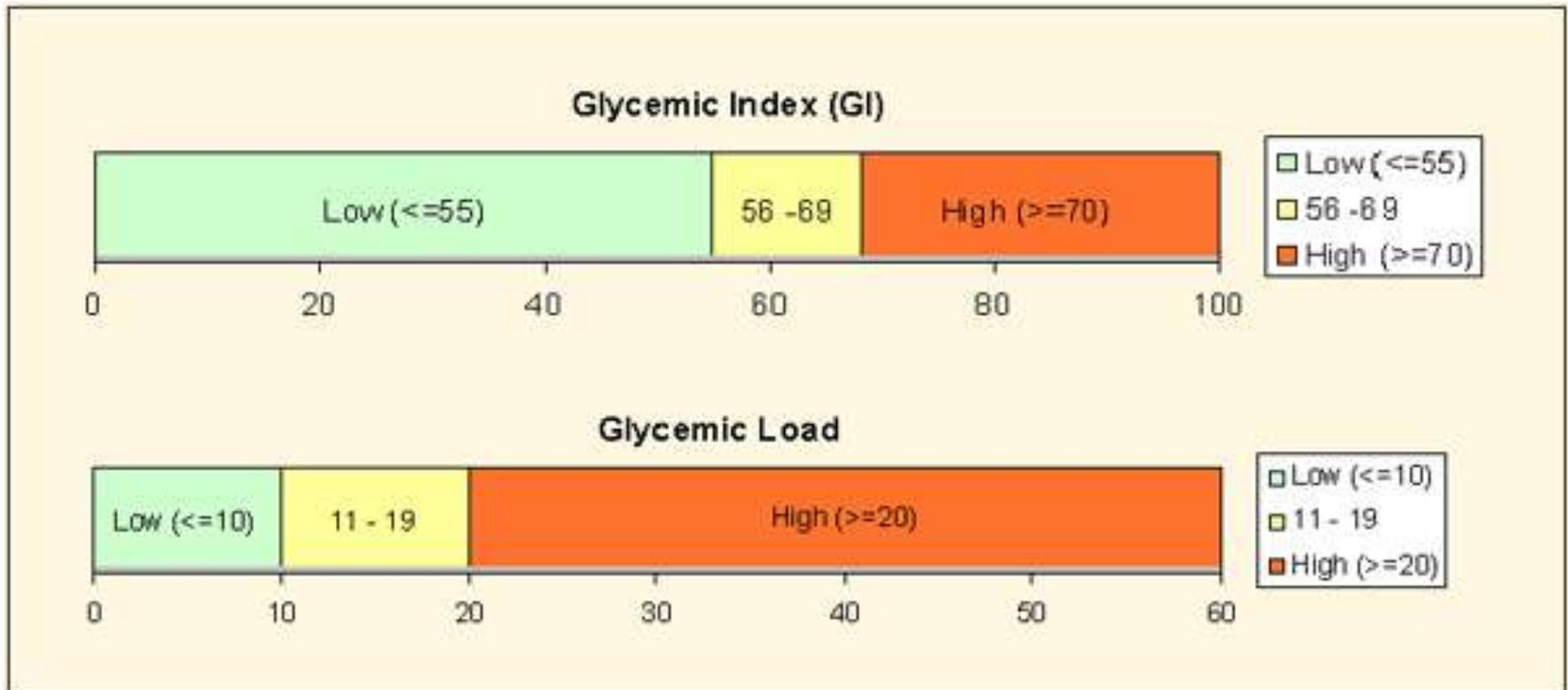


The amount of carbohydrate in the reference and test food must be the same.

The **glycaemic load (GL)** is what you get by multiplying the glycaemic index by the number of available carbohydrates consumed and then dividing by 100.

GL accounts for how much carbohydrate is in the food and how much each gram of carbohydrate in the food raises blood glucose levels.

GLYCAEMIC INDEX & GLYCAEMIC LOAD



GLYCAEMIC INDEX OF SOME BREADS

Low GI (≤ 55)	Medium GI (56-69)	High GI (≥ 70)
Soya and Linseed Wholegrain pumpernickel Heavy mixed grain Whole Wheat Sourdough rye Sourdough wheat	Croissant Hamburger bun Pita, white Wholemeal rye	White bread Bagels French baguette

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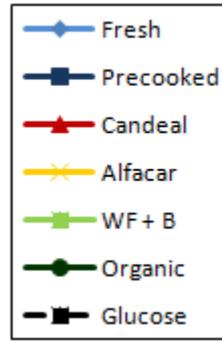
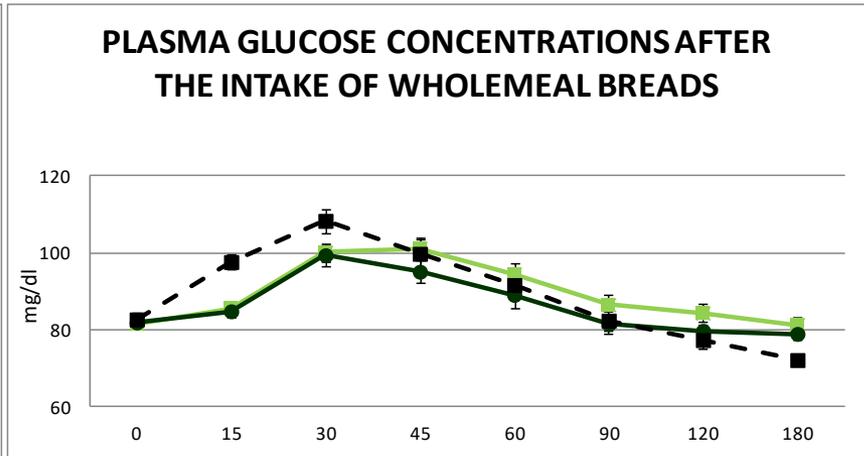
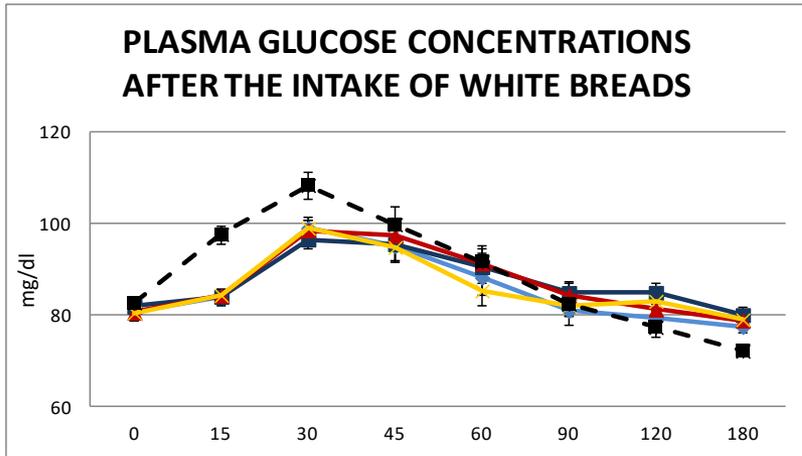
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Article

Glycemic Responses, Appetite Ratings and Gastrointestinal Hormone Responses of Most Common Breads Consumed in Spain. A Randomized Control Trial in Healthy Humans

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PLASMA GLUCOSE CONCENTRATIONS AFTER THE INTAKE OF SIX DIFFERENT TYPES OF SPANISH BREADS

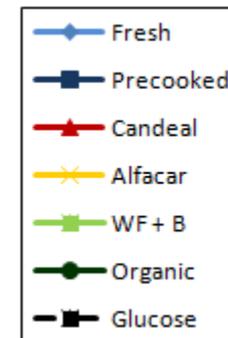
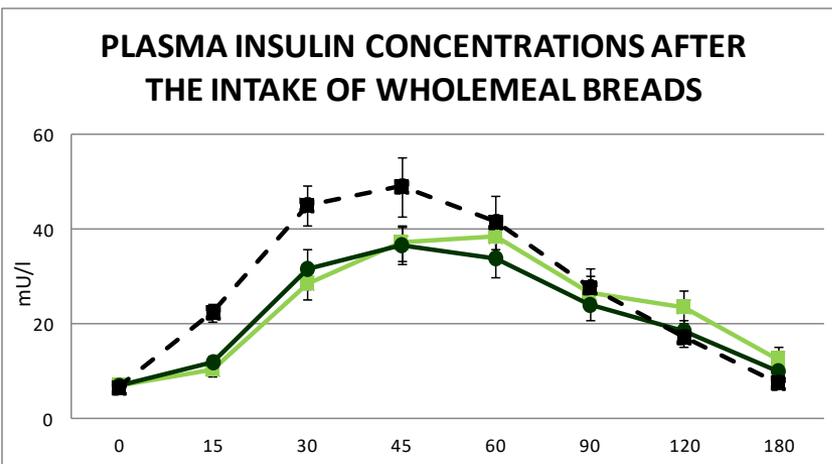
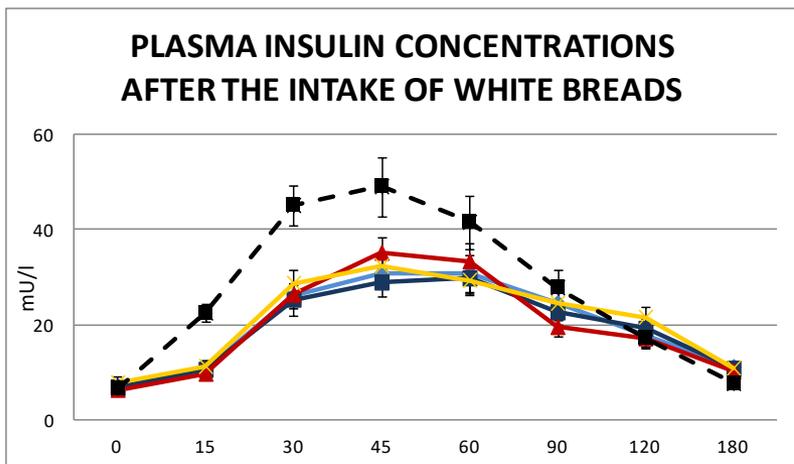


P values for Glucose plasma concentrations

	0 min	15 min	30 min	45 min	60 min	90 min	120 min	180 min
Glucose vs Fresh	0,970	0,000	0,006	0,897	0,985	1,000	1,000	0,074
Precooked	1,000	0,000	0,000	0,959	1,000	1,000	0,035	0,000
Candeal	0,920	0,000	0,003	1,000	1,000	1,000	0,893	0,005
Alfacar	0,910	0,000	0,006	0,848	0,275	1,000	0,301	0,004
WF + B	1,000	0,000	0,029	1,000	0,998	0,941	0,073	0,000
Organic	1,000	0,000	0,011	0,908	1,000	1,000	1,000	0,004
Alfacar vs WF + B	1,000	1,000	1,000	0,454	0,010	0,902	1,000	0,990

WF+B: White flour added with bran wholemeal bread

PLASMA INSULIN CONCENTRATIONS AFTER THE INTAKE OF SIX DIFFERENT TYPES OF SPANISH BREADS



P values for Insulin plasma concentrations

	0 min	15 min	30 min	45 min	60 min	90 min	120 min	180 min
Glucose vs Fresh	1,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,013	0,997	1,000	0,259
Precooked	1,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,004	0,760	0,999	0,435
Candeal	1,000	0,000	0,000	0,002	0,152	0,075	1,000	0,778
Alfacar	0,967	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,002	0,997	0,298	0,367
WF + B	1,000	0,000	0,000	0,015	1,000	1,000	0,010	0,008
Organic	1,000	0,000	0,000	0,010	0,249	0,987	1,000	0,818
WF + B vs Fresh	1,000	1,000	1,000	0,795	0,259	1,000	0,042	0,997
Candeal	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0,882	0,227	0,008	0,782

WF+B: White flour added with bran wholemeal bread

GLYCAEMIC INDEX, GLYCAEMIC LOAD AND INSULINEMIC INDEX AFTER THE INTAKE OF SIX DIFFERENT TYPES OF SPANISH BREADS

Glycaemic Index, Glycaemic Load and Insulinemic Index of six different types of Spanish Breads (n=22)

	WHITE BREADS				WHOLEMEALS	
	Fresh	Precooked	Candeal	Alfacar	WF+B	Organic
	Mean±SEM	Mean ± SEM	Mean±SEM	Mean±SEM	Mean±SEM	Mean±SEM
GI (%)	85±12	102 ± 16	108±17	85±12	118±15	73±8
GL (%)	18±3 ^{ab}	20 ± 3 ^b	23±4 ^b	18±2 ^{ab}	24±3 ^b	11±1 ^a
InI (%)	74±7	76 ± 9	77±6	78±4	93±7	79±5

GI: Glycaemic index; *GL*: Glycaemic load; *I*: Insulinemic index; *WF+B*: White flour added with bran bread. Different superscript letters within the same row indicates significant differences between breads ($P<0,05$).

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND CANCER

A meta-analysis on the consumption of WG cereals and cancer that analysed all the studies conducted up to 1998 indicated protection against the risk of colorectal cancer and polyps, other cancers of the digestive tract, cancers related to hormones and pancreatic cancer.

Cohort studies have shown a lower risk for specific cancers, such as colorectal in women stomach, mouth/throat and the upper digestive tract and endometrium.

A review of forty studies on gastrointestinal cancer has found a reduction in cancer risk from 21% to 43% in subjects with high consumption of wholegrain cereals compared to those with low consumption.

Gil A, et al. Public Health Nutrition, 2011; 14: 2316-22

CEREAL CONSUMPTION AND CANCER

In more recent cohort studies, the intake of WG cereals has been associated with a moderate reduction in colorectal cancer risk.

A recent meta-analysis has shown that the intake of products having a low GI and GL, including products based on cereals with a high fibre content, was associated with a lower risk of colorectal, pancreatic, endometrium and breast cancer.

However, a recent study published jointly between the World Cancer Research Fund and the Institute for Cancer Research on the relative risk of different types of cancer in relation to different lifestyles found no association between the specific consumption of cereals and colorectal cancer.

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BIOLOGICAL MECHANISM OF THE PROTECTIVE EFFECT OF WHOLE GRAIN CEREALS

- Along with fiber, whole grain cereals have diverse nutrients such as phytosterols, tocotrienols, unsaturated fatty acids, sphingolipids, phytin, lignans, bioactive compounds with antioxidant capacity (carotens, tocopherols, selenium, etc.)
- Fermentation of the undigested carbohydrates from whole grain cereal yields short chain fatty acids in the colon, which may lower serum cholesterol.
- Soluble fiber content of whole grain cereals may improve glycemic control. In fact, whole grain meal causes lower plasma glycemic and insulinemic response as compared to fine flour meal. Similarly, low glycemic response to wholegrain breads have been observed

BIOLOGICAL MECHANISM OF THE PROTECTIVE EFFECT OF WHOLE GRAIN CEREALS

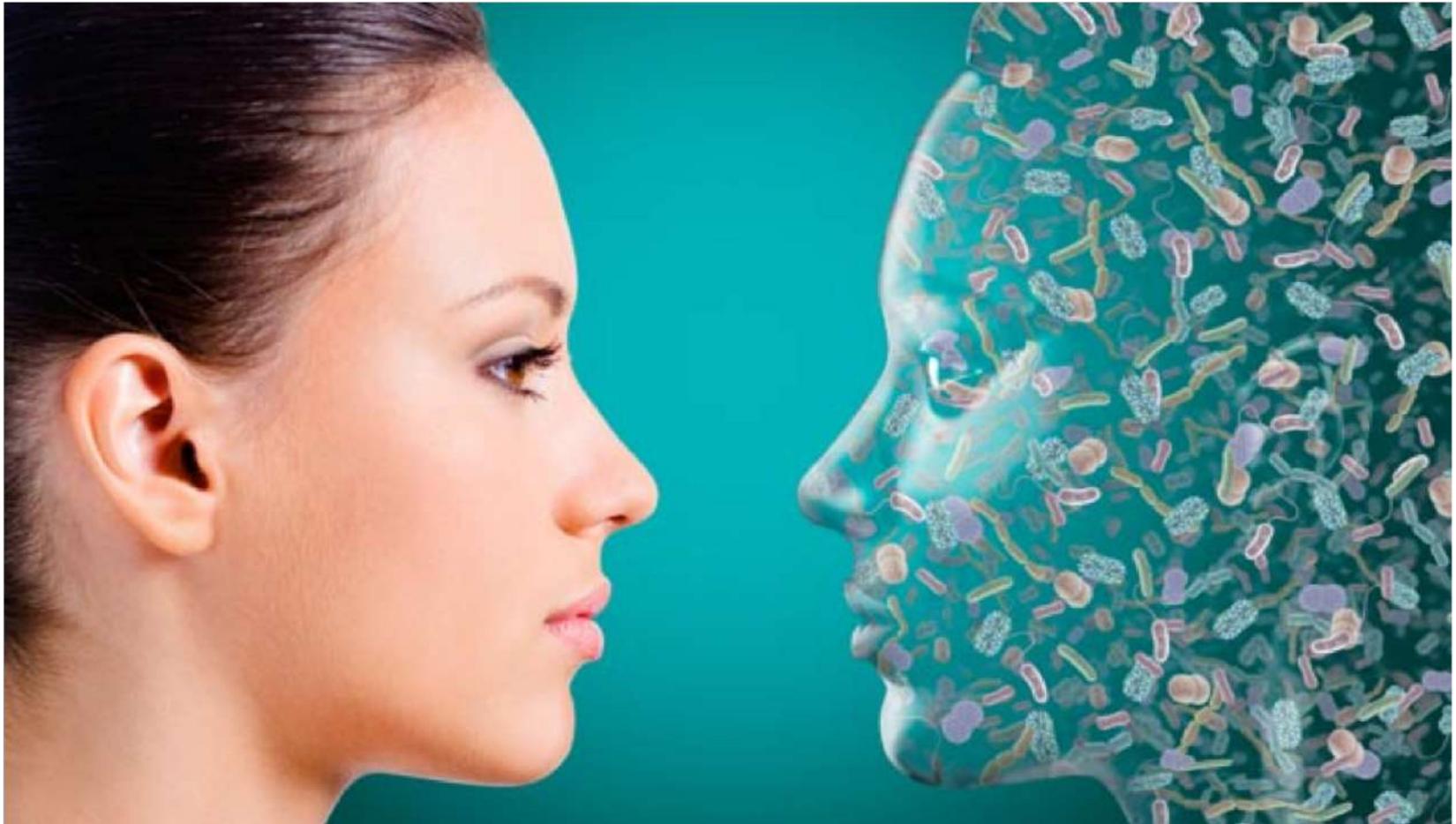
- Oxidative damage has been suggested as possible mechanism for various chronic diseases, such as destruction of endocrine pancreatic cells leading to DM.
- Whole grain products have antioxidant capacity comparable to fruits and vegetables
- Subjective satiety was greater for whole grain meal as compared to fine flour meal.
- Certain minerals such as potassium found in whole grains have been showed to decrease blood pressure.
- Phytosterol induced improvement in serum lipid parameters, as well as body weight may also explain the beneficial effects of whole grains.

BIOLOGICAL MECHANISM OF THE PROTECTIVE EFFECT OF WHOLE GRAIN CEREALS

- The components of wholegrain cereals, including fibre, resistant starch and oligosaccharides, play a fundamental role in the maintenance of intestinal homeostasis.
- Several studies have suggested that the dietary fibre from grains and whole cereals augments the weight of the stool and absorb water, and the partial fermentation of the fibre in the colon as well as of the oligosaccharides promotes the growth of beneficial bacteria in the faeces

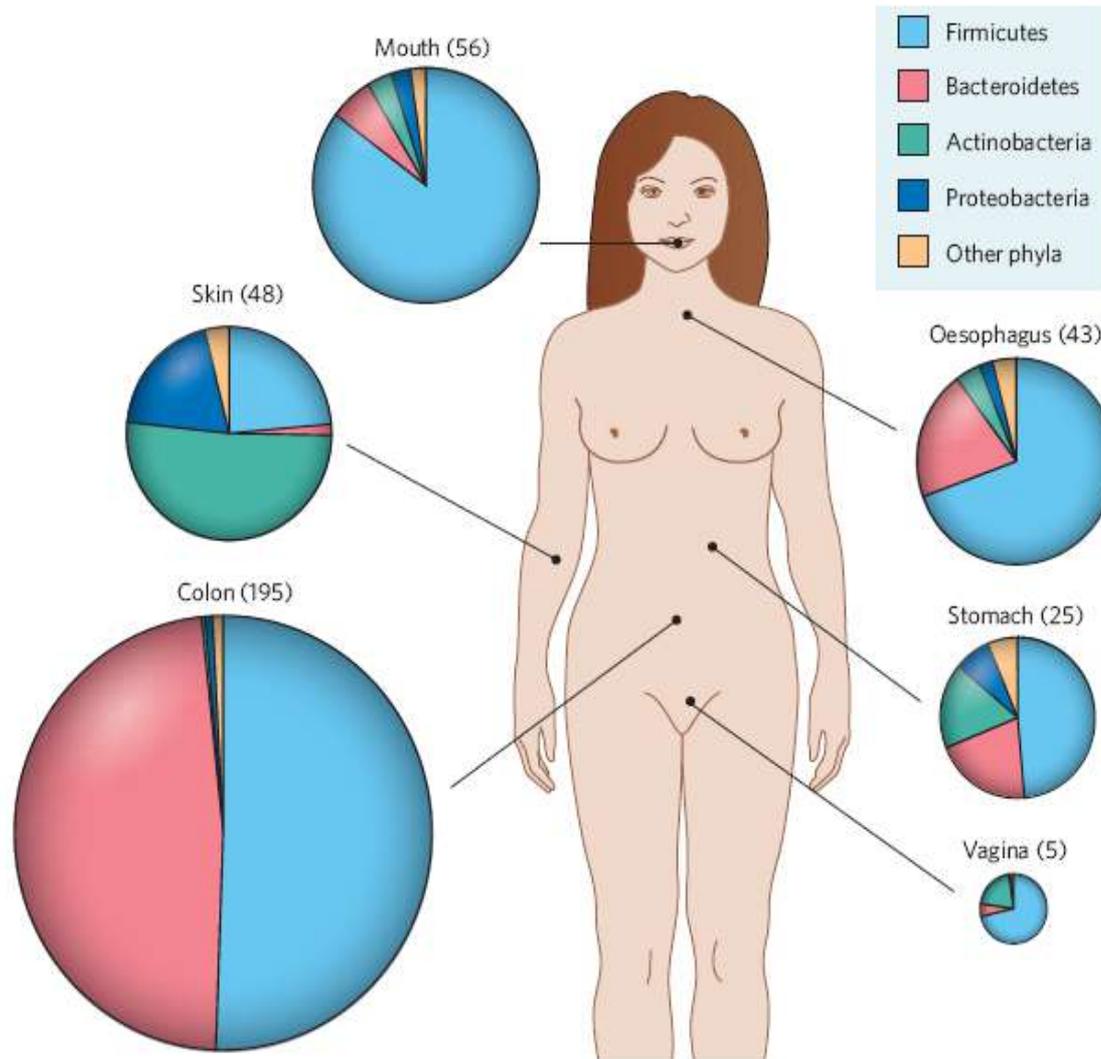
HUMAN MICROBIOTA LIVING WITH TRILLIONS (10^{12}) OF MICROORGANISMS

The complex community of microorganisms living in skin and mucosal surfaces in humans (10^{10} - 10^{11})



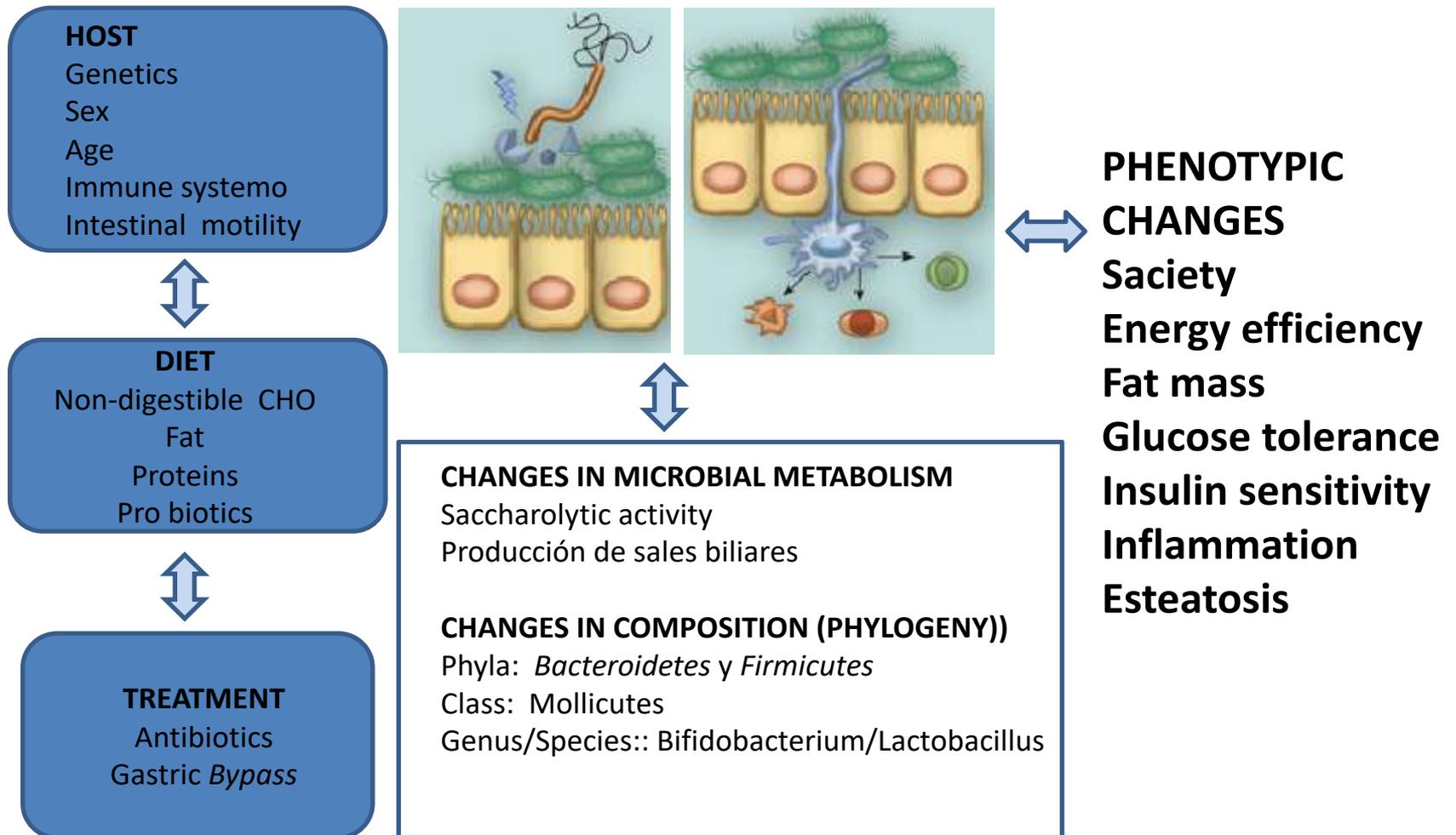
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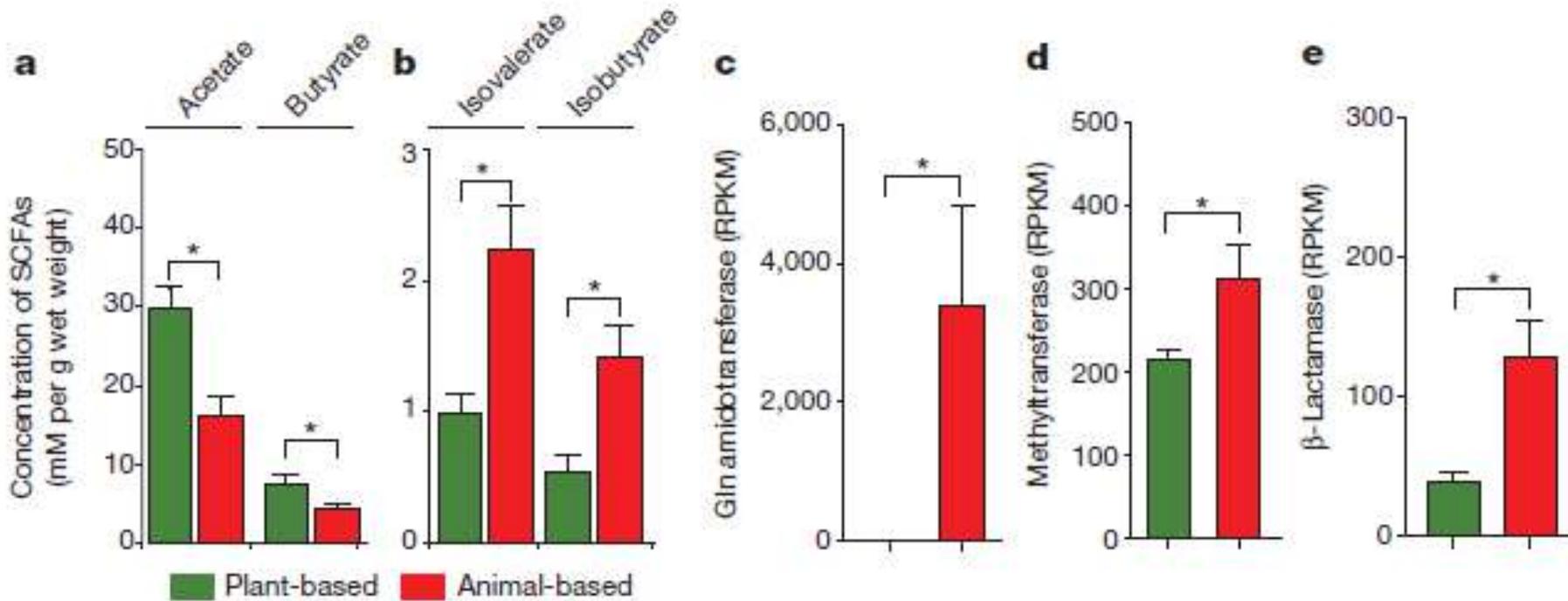
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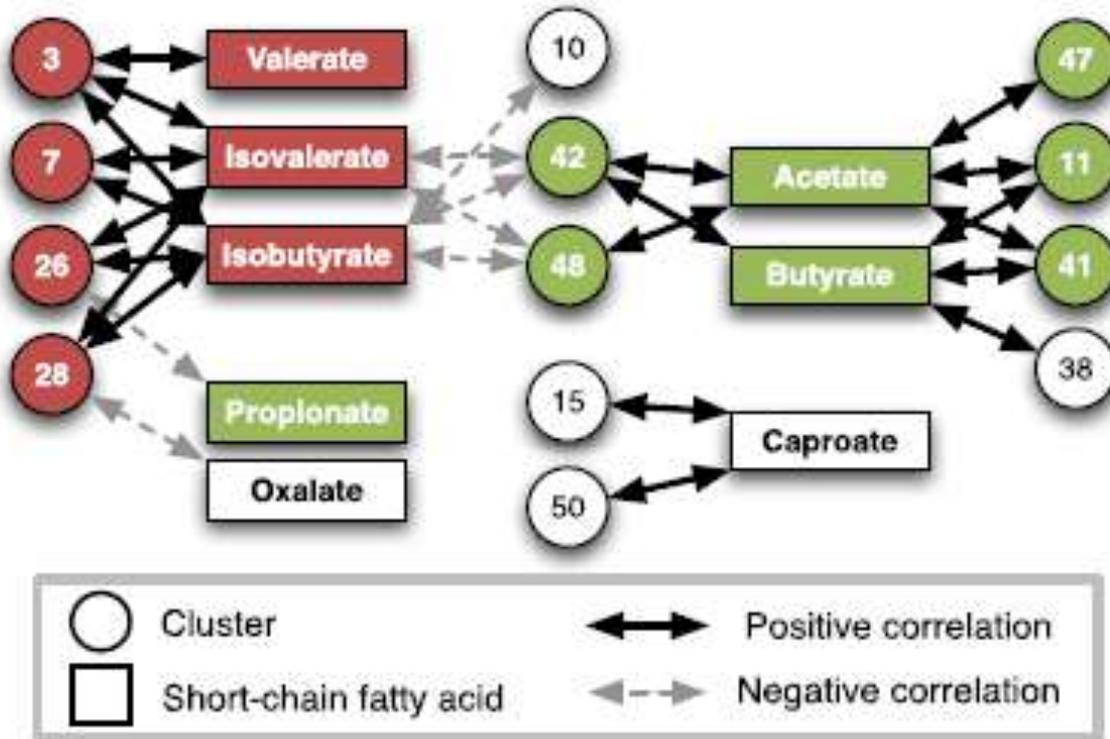
MICROBIOTA AND NUTRITION

Diet alters microbiome activity and gene expression



MICROBIOTA AND NUTRITION

Diet rapidly and reproducibly alters the human gut microbiome



Cluster membership

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				<i>Bilophila</i>
				<i>Alistipes</i>
				<i>Bacteroides</i>

11	41	47	42	48	<i>Saccharolytic</i>
					<i>Roseburia</i>
					<i>E. rectale</i>
					<i>F. prausnitzii</i>
					<i>Bifidobacterium</i>

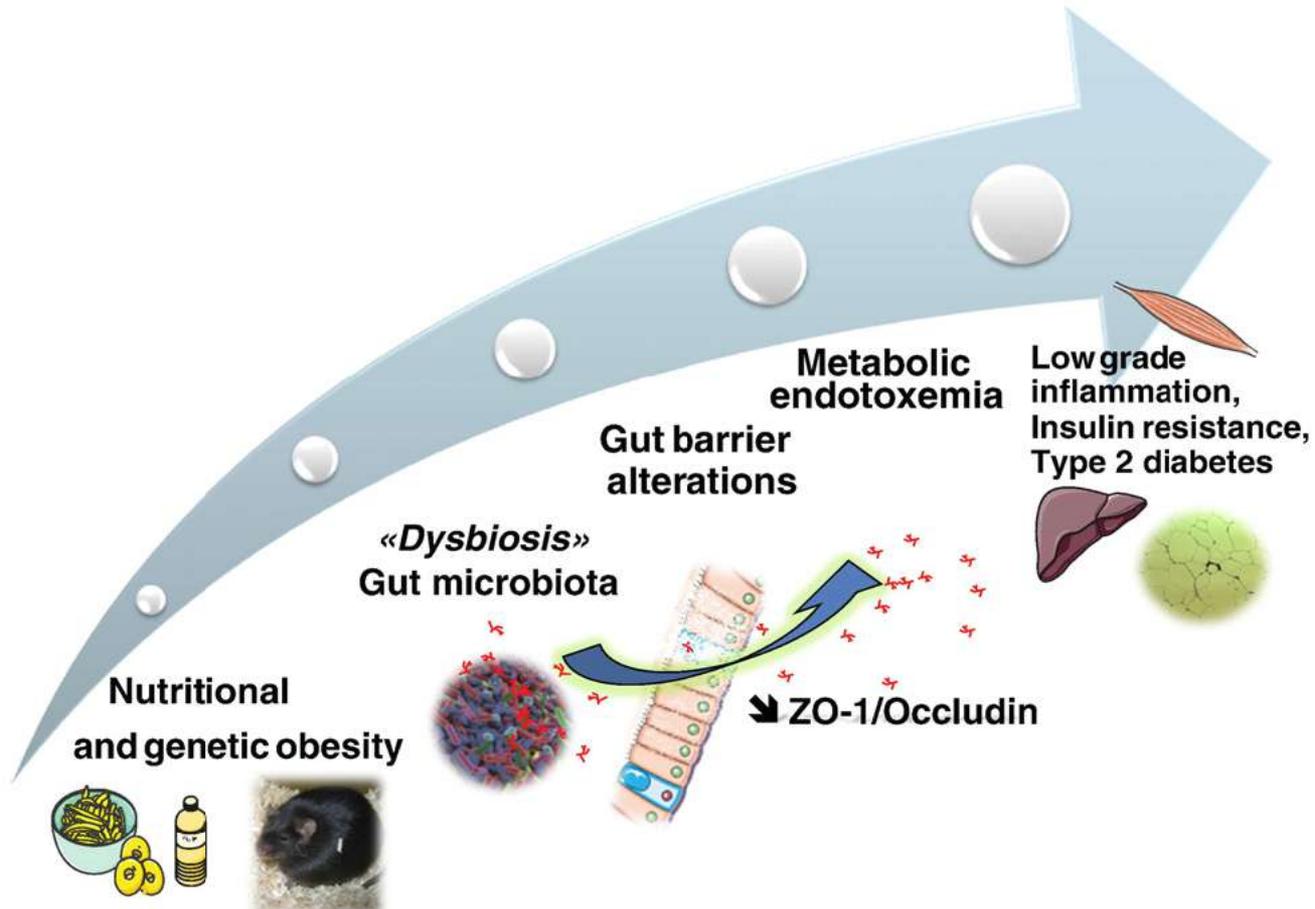


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Effects of Probiotics and Synbiotics on Obesity, Insulin Resistance Syndrome, Type 2 Diabetes and Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: A Review of Human Clinical Trials

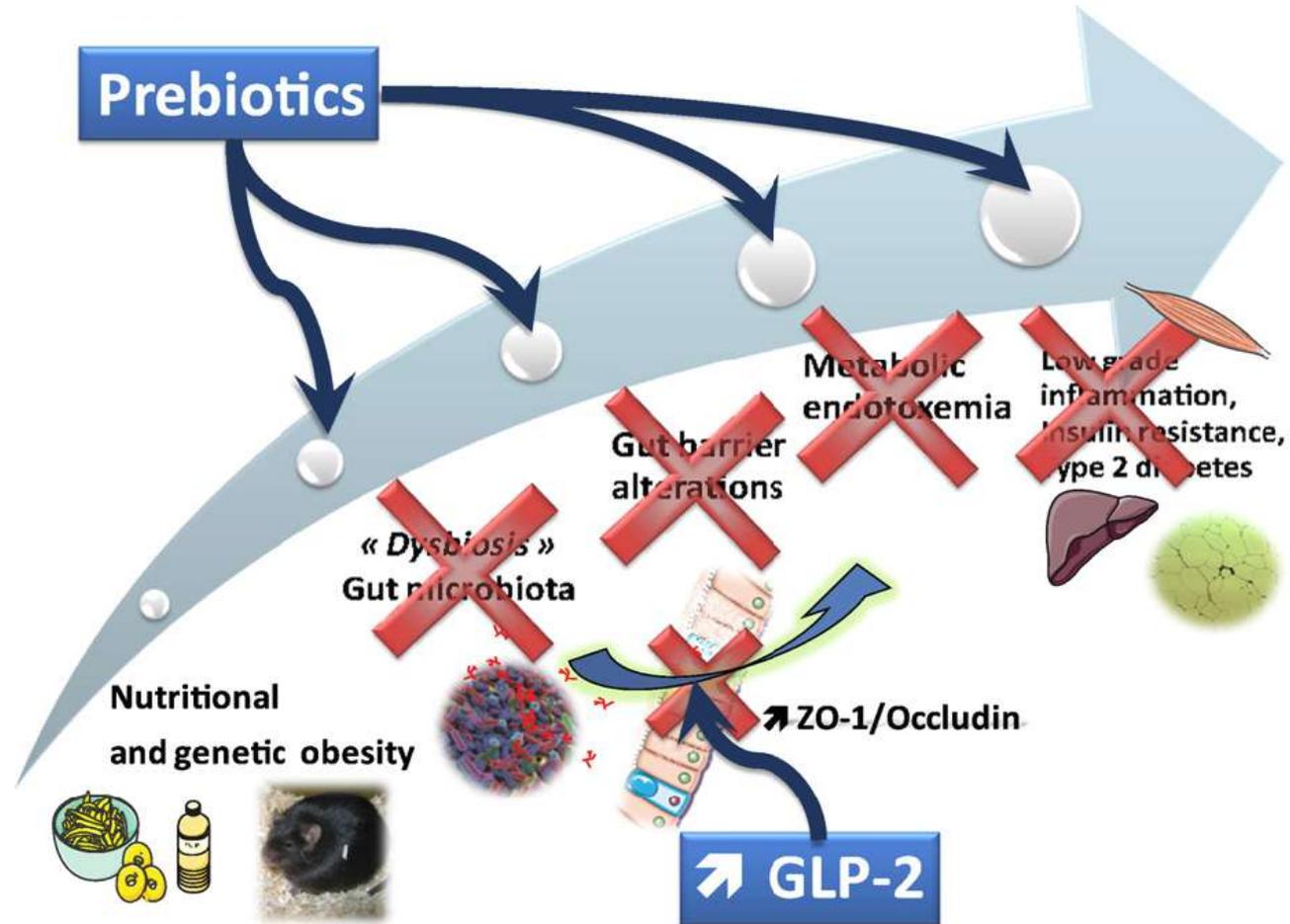
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INTESTINAL MICROBIOTA AND DEVELOPMENT OF CD



Cani PD, Delzenne NM. Pharmacology & Therapeutics 2011; 130: 202–212

CHANGES INDUCED BY UNDIGESTIBLE CARBOHYDRATES ON INTESTINAL MICROBIOTA AND CD



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CONCLUSIONS

There is sufficient epidemiological evidence, as well as biological explanation to suggest inverse association between whole grain cereal products consumption and incidence of major chronic diseases such as obesity, diabetes mellitus, cardiovascular diseases --mainly heart failure, and cancer

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- Several studies show consistently that subjects who ingest three or more portions of foods per day based on wholegrain cereals have a 20–30% lower risk of CVD than subjects who ingest low quantities of cereals. This level of protection is not observed with the ingestion of refined cereals, these being even higher than with the intake of fruit and vegetables.
- High intake of whole grain cereals and their products is associated with a 20–30% reduction in the risk of type 2 diabetes.
- Protection against the risk of colorectal cancer and polyps, other cancers of the digestive tract, cancers related to hormones and pancreatic cancer, has been associated with the regular consumption of wholegrain cereals and derived products.

CONCLUSIONS

- **Typical Spanish breads differing mainly in their manufacturing process show different GI, the lowest being the organic whole meal made (72%) , followed by Alfacar and Fresh breads (85%).**
- **All breads had significantly lower GL compared with glucose. The lowest GL were found for whole meal made (11) , followed by Alfacar and Fresh breads (18), compared with precooked (20), candeal (23) and WF+B (24).**
- **The InI of breads ranged 74-79% excepting the WF+B**

MANY THANKS

