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EVENTI CARDIOVASCOLARI E DIFFERENZE DI GENERE

Il Cuore delle donne: le differenze di genere nel diabete

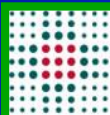
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Il percorso di AMD per la medicina di genere:

1° Giornata Nazionale del Gruppo Donna.

- Dalle differenze di genere alle pari opportunità -

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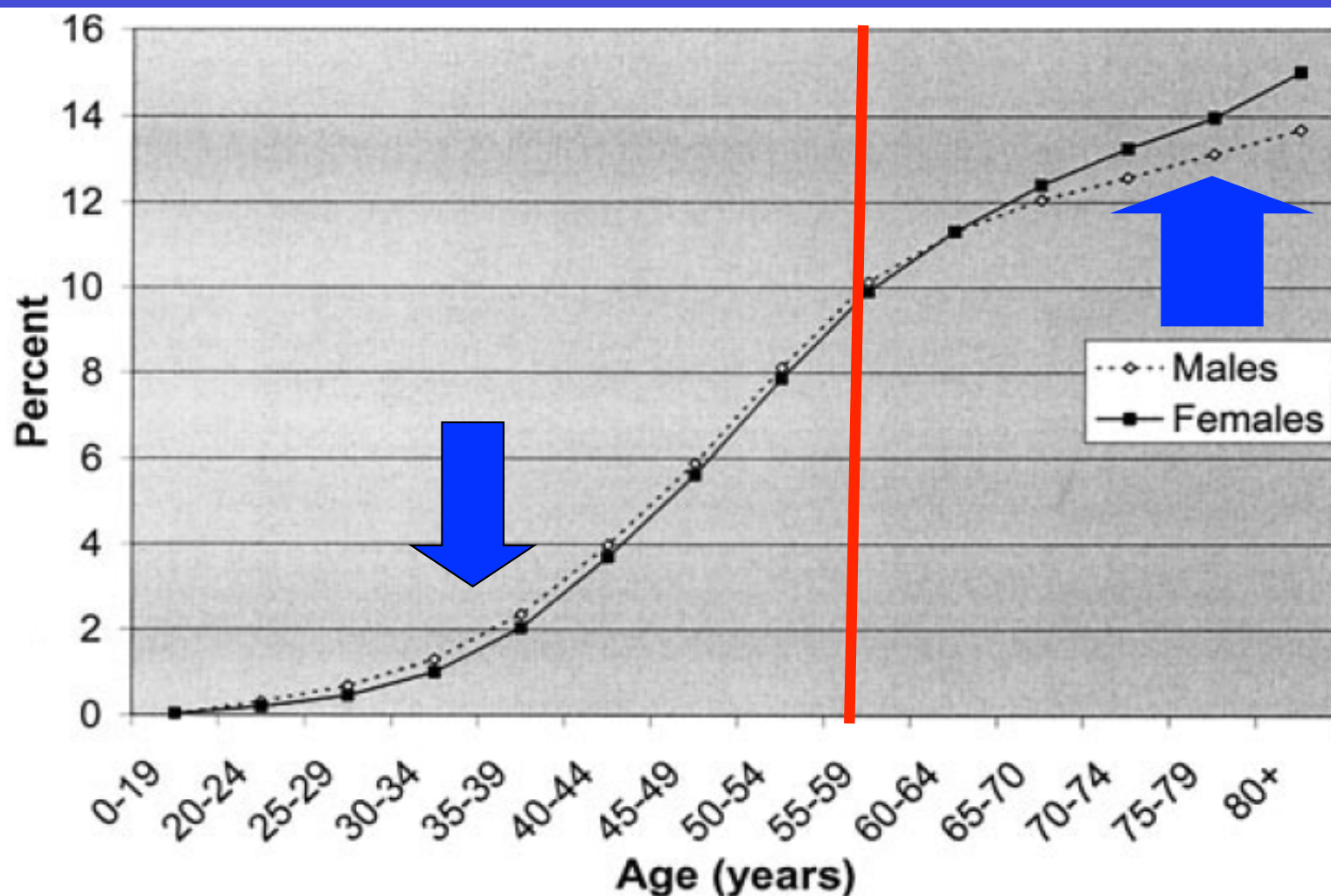
Global Prevalence of Diabetes

Estimates for the year 2000 and projections for 2030

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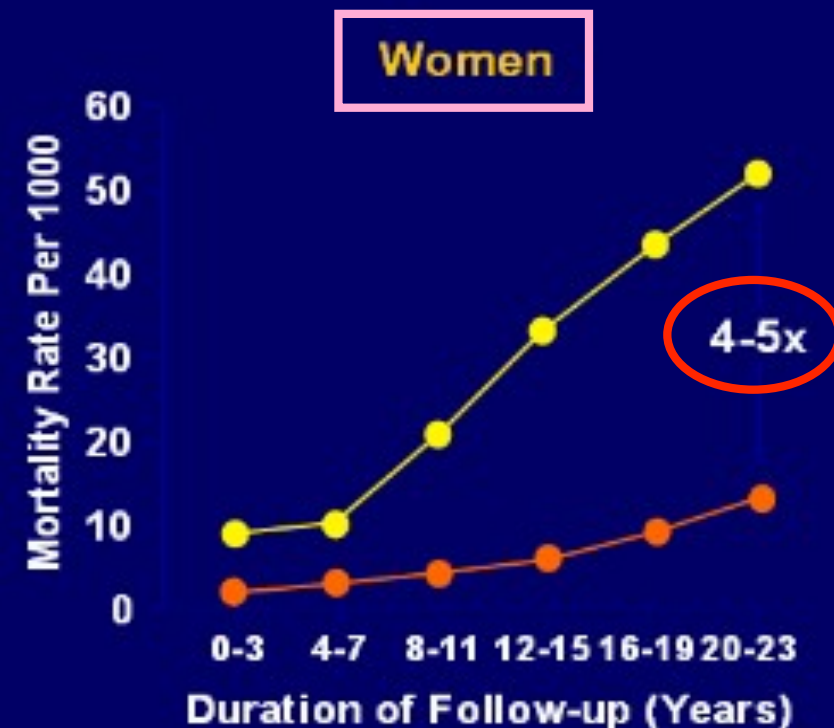
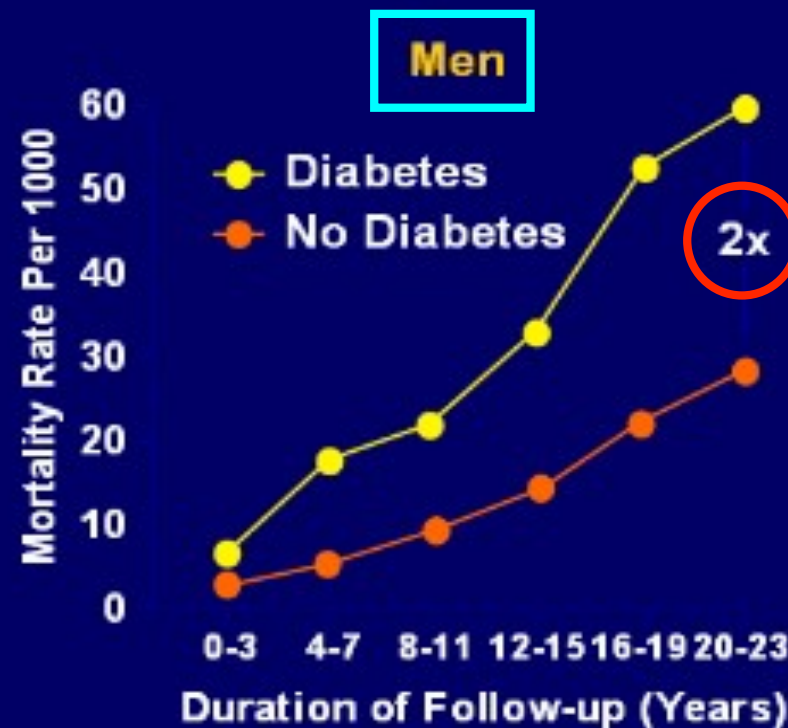
Entità del Problema

- Il DM rappresenta il maggiore tra i fattori di rischio per mortalità e invalidità cardiovascolare
- Il DM aumenta di oltre 4 volte il rischio di sviluppare malattia aterosclerotica ostruttiva (coronarica, cerebro-vascolare e periferica)
- Il beneficio legato al genere femminile (prima della menopausa) è eliminato dal DM

Luscher TF. Circulation 2003

FRAMINGHAM STUDY AND JOSLIN PATIENTS

Diabetes is a CV Risk Factor



Krolewski AS, et al. Evolving natural history of coronary disease in diabetes mellitus. *Am J Med* 1991;90(Supp 2A):68S-81S.



World Health Organization

DIABETES FACTS

- The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that more than 180 million people worldwide have diabetes. This number is likely to more than double by 2030.
- In 2005, an estimated **1.1 million** people died from diabetes.¹
- Almost 80% of diabetes deaths occur in low and middle-income countries.
- Almost half of diabetes deaths occur in people under the age of 70 years.
- **55% of diabetes deaths are in women.**
- WHO projects that diabetes deaths will increase by more than 50% in the next 10 years without urgent action. Most notably, diabetes deaths are projected to increase by over 80% in upper-middle income countries between 2006 and 2015.

PECULIARITA' DEL DIABETE NEL GENERE FEMMINILE

Transdermal 17- β -Estradiol and Risk of Developing Type 2 Diabetes in a Population of Healthy, Nonobese Postmenopausal Women

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Diabetes Care 27:645–649,
 2004

Table 2—Incidence rates of diabetes among the study population

	Cases of diabetes: n/N (%)	Incidence rate*	Incidence rate ratio† (crude)	P
Total cohort	60/673 (8.91)	22.0	—	—
Hormone therapy nonusers	54/529 (10.20)	26.5	2.19§	0.006
Hormone therapy users	6/144 (4.16)	12.1	Referent	Referent

Incidence
 rate ratio†
 (adjusted‡)

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1.97||

Referent

P

0.004

Referent

Our results suggest a **significant reduction in the incidence** of type 2 diabetes in our population of nonobese, healthy postmenopausal women **who used transdermal 17-B-estradiol**. This could suggest that, in some women, the **estrogen deficiency** that occurs after menopause could represent a fundamental step in the process of diabetogenesis.

Diabetes and Abnormal Glucose Tolerance in Women With Previous Gestational Diabetes

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Diabetes Care 26:1199–1205, 2003

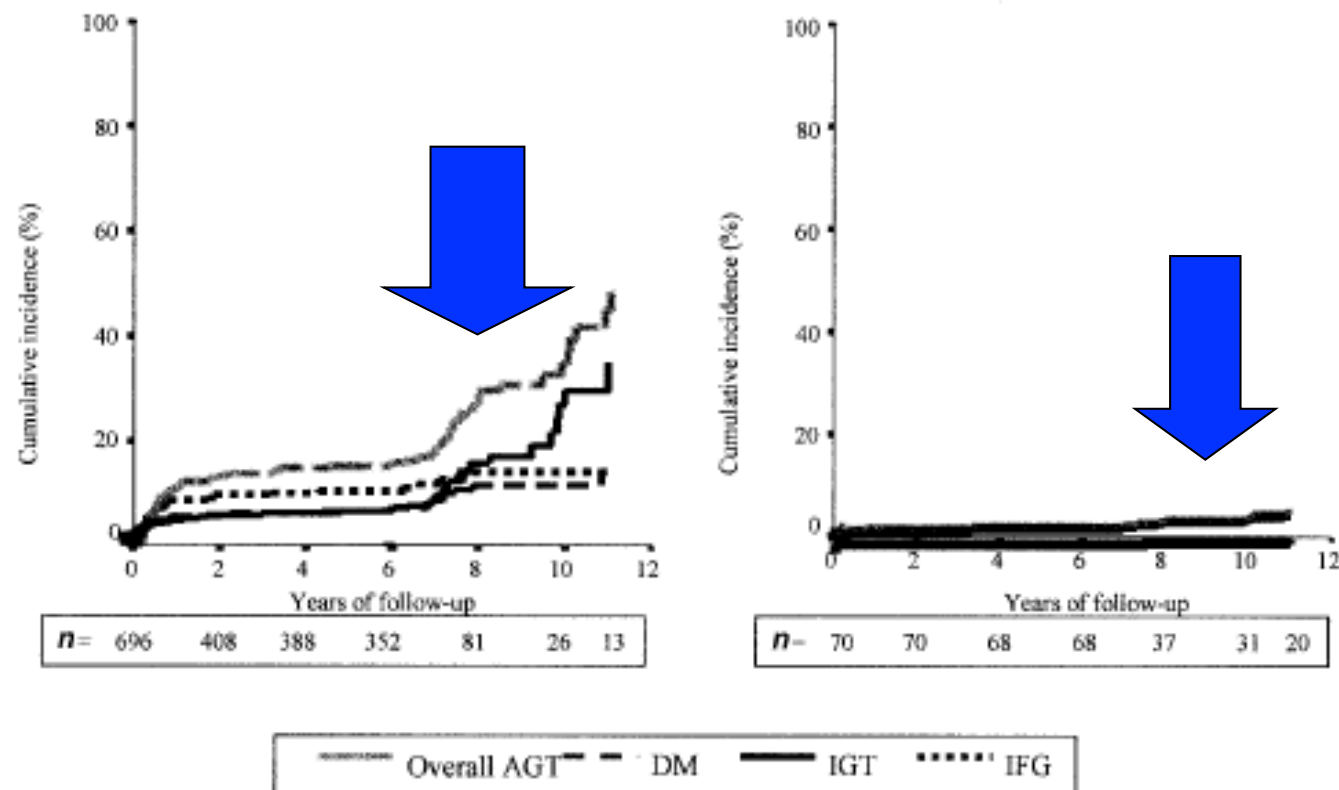
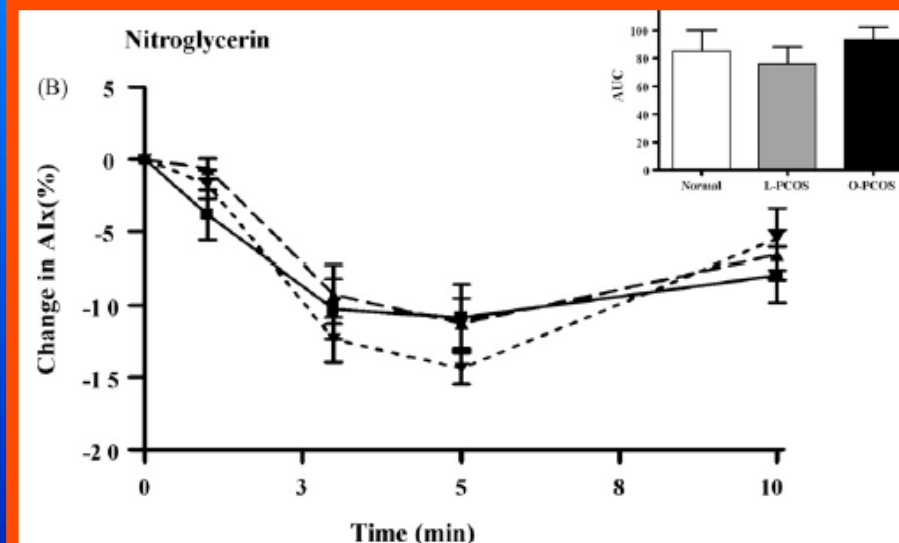
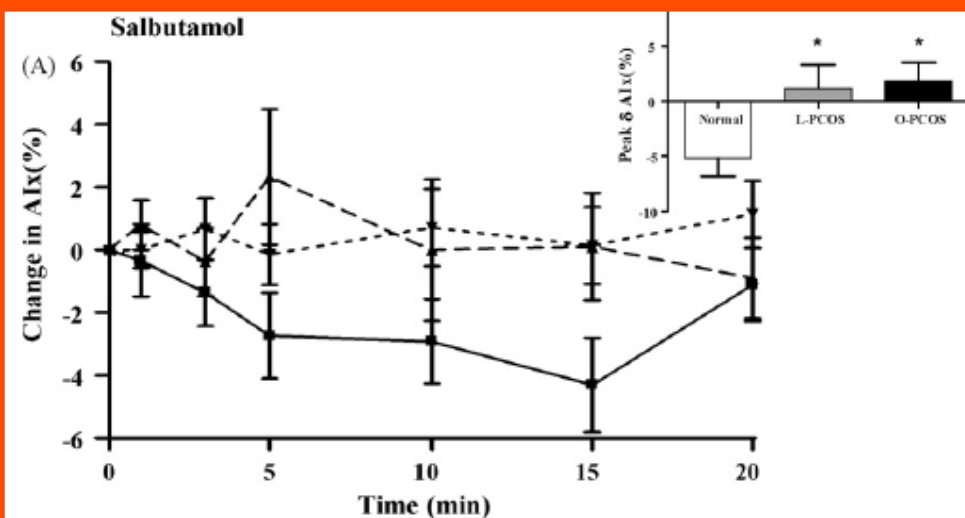


Figure 2—Cumulative incidence of diabetes and AGT (diabetes, IGT, IFG) in women with previous GDM (A) and control women (B) as determined by life table analysis. The cumulative rates of diabetes and overall AGT were 13.8 and 42.4% at 11 years of follow-up in women with GDM vs. 0 and 2.8% in control women.

Polycystic ovary syndrome is associated with severe platelet and endothelial dysfunction in both obese and lean subjects

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Cardiovascular disease risk in women with diabetes needs attention^{1,2}

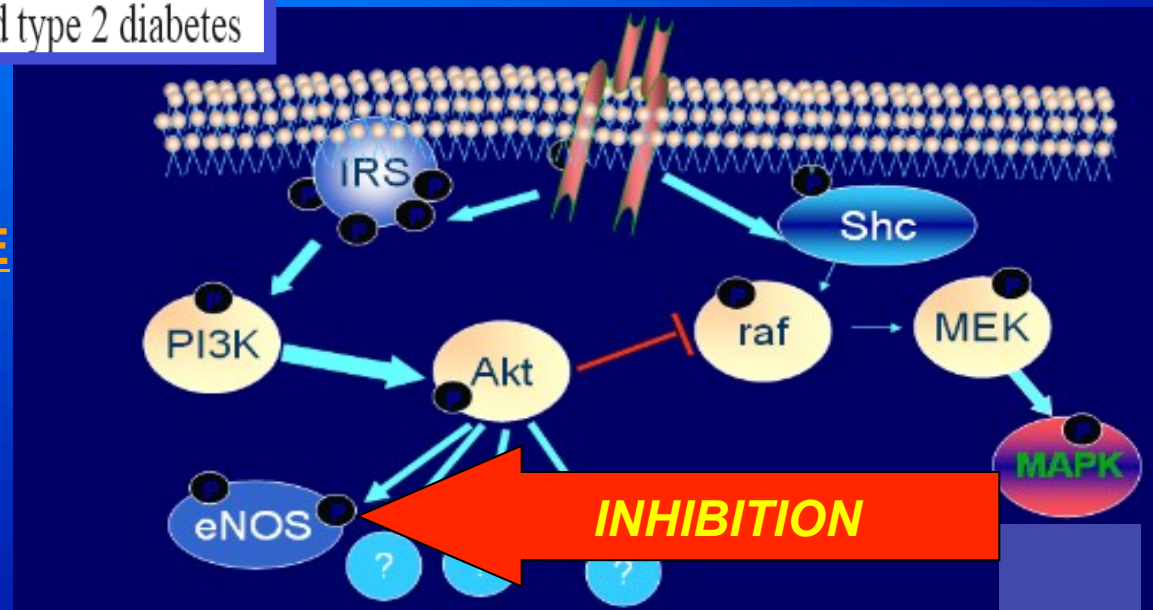
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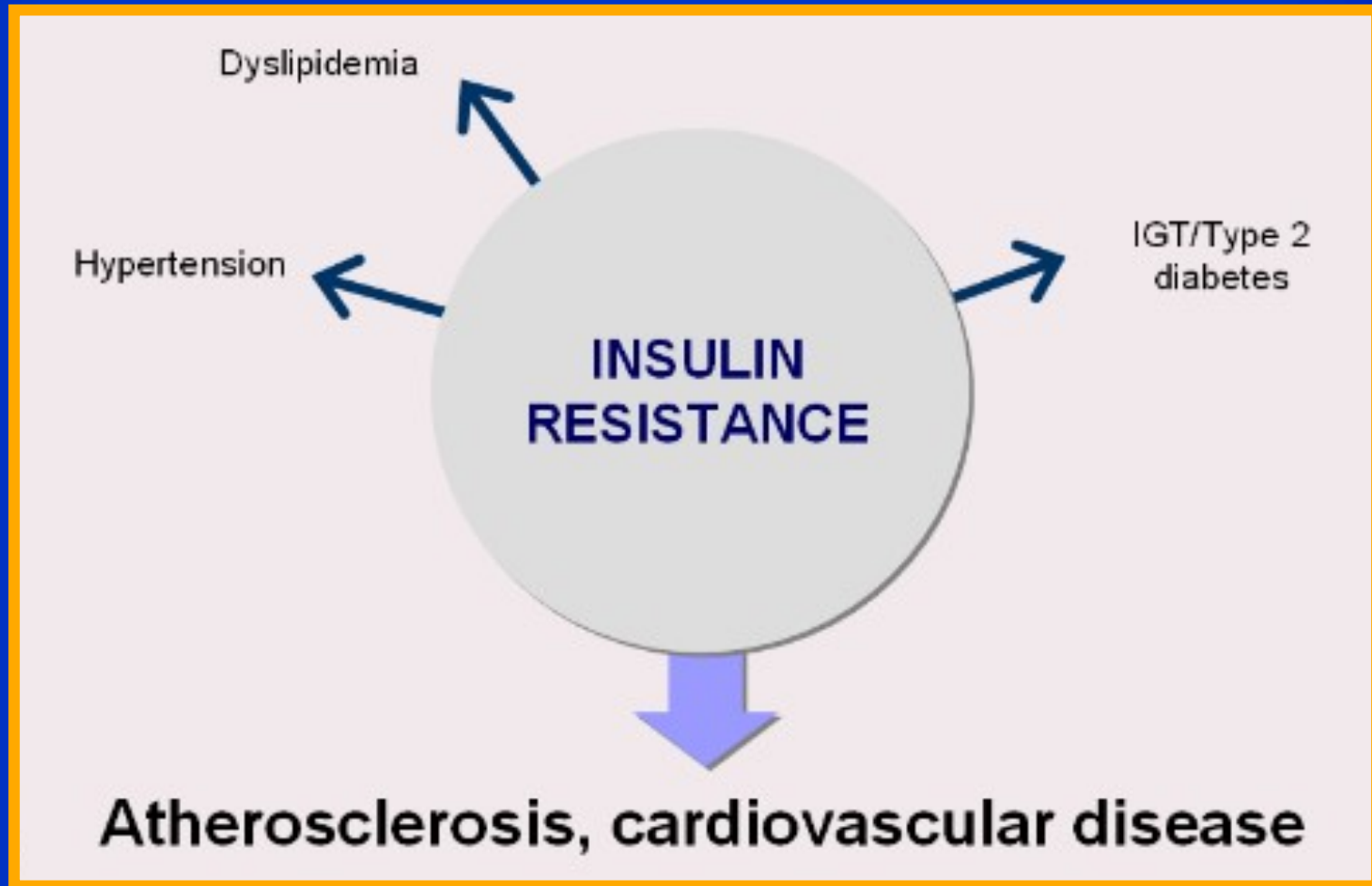
Am J Clin Nutr 2004;79:931–2

Insulin resistance is a key factor in the pathogenesis of type 2 diabetes, and it predates the development of frank hyperglycemia by many years. Characteristic features of the insulin resistance syndrome include dyslipidemia, glucose intolerance, central obesity, hypertension, and specific abnormalities of endothelial and vascular function. The interplay between these signs of insulin resistance and their vascular, metabolic, and clinical consequences points to increased risks of CVD and type 2 diabetes

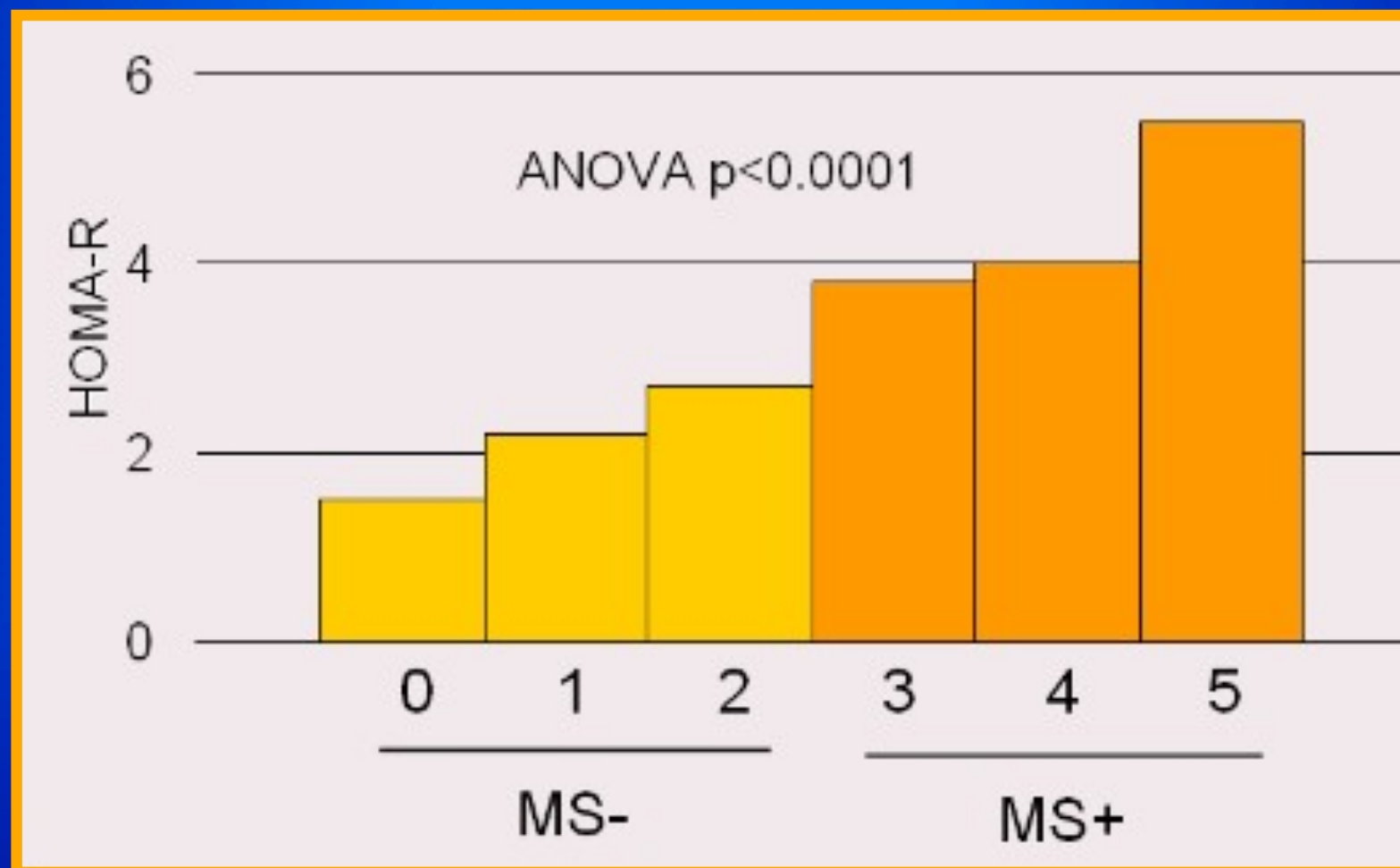
3) La SINDROME METABOLICA è associata a DISFUNZIONE ENDOTELIALE e RIMODELLAMENTO VASCOLARE, che rappresentano il tramite che conduce all'aumento del rischio cardiovascolare

- 1) Il T2DM è una malattia principalmente da insulino-resistenza**
- 2) L'insulino-resistenza è spesso associata a SINDROME METABOLICA**

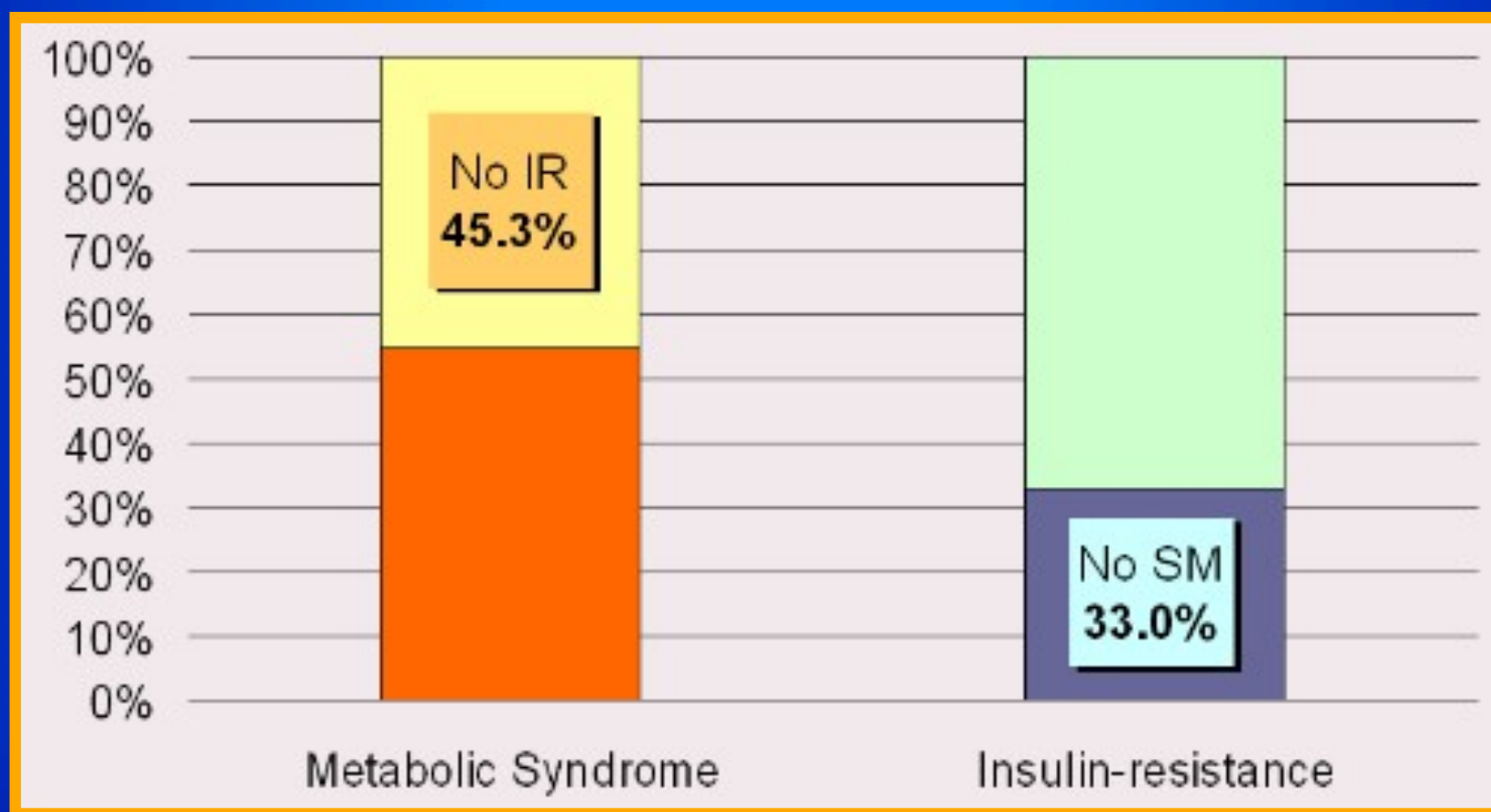




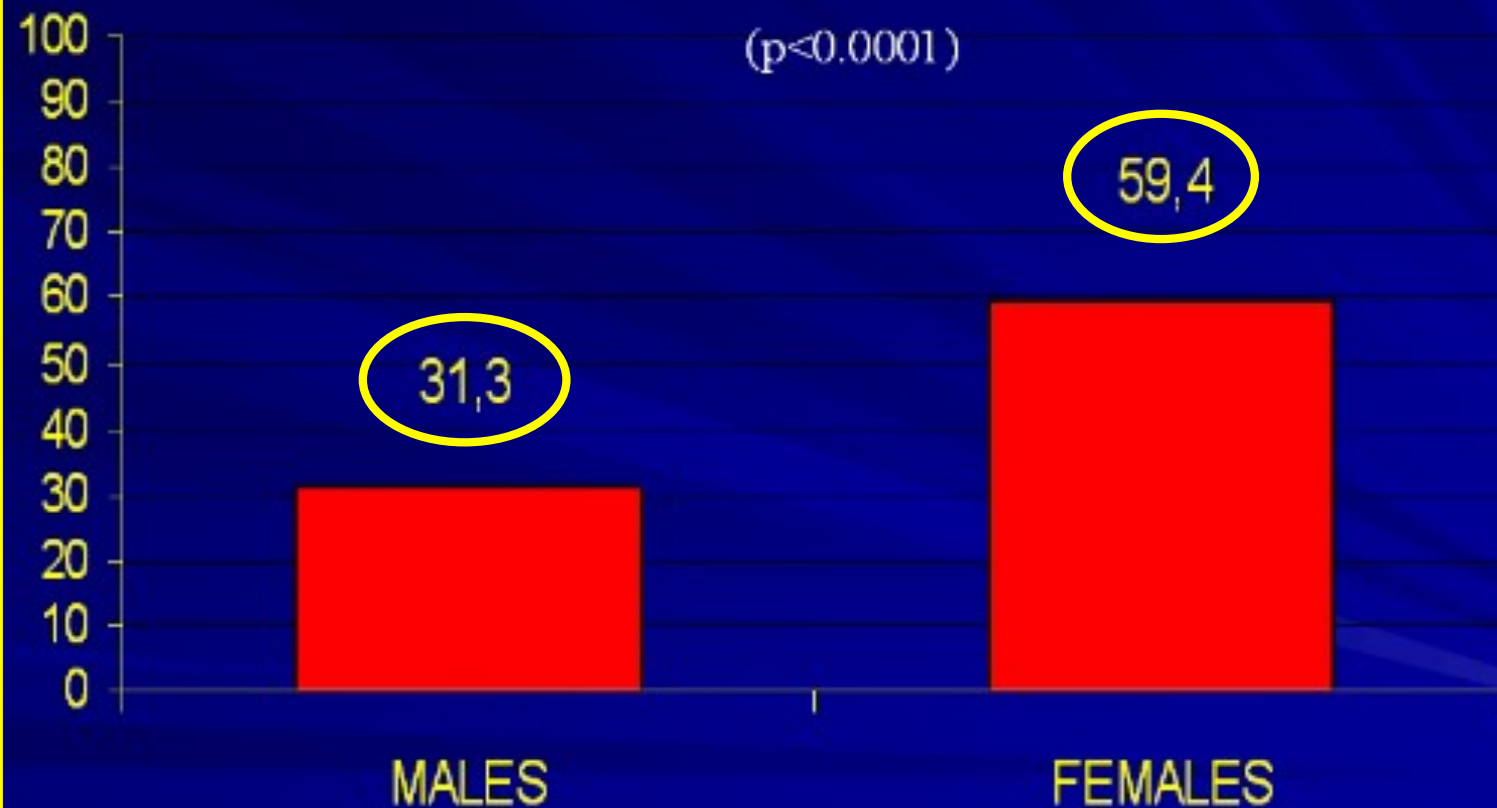
Relazione tra Insulino Resistenza e Sindrome Metabolica. Lo studio GENFIEV



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PREVALENCE (%) OF METABOLIC SYNDROME



Maggi & Crepaldi; J Gerontol MS, 2005

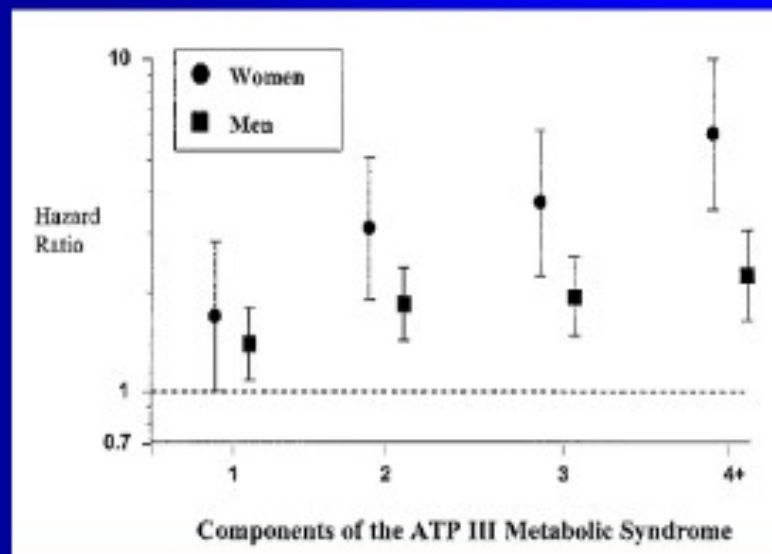
The Metabolic Syndrome and 11-Year Risk of Incident Cardiovascular Disease in the Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities Study

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The metabolic syndrome has been identified as a constellation of metabolic and nonmetabolic disorders related to defects in insulin sensitivity.

Diabetes Care 28:385–390, 2005



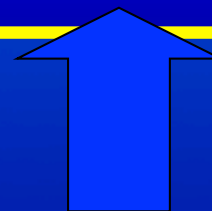
In the current study, we found that among a population free of prevalent CHD, stroke, and diabetes, men and women with the metabolic syndrome were 1.5 and 2 times more likely to develop CHD after adjustment for established risk factors.

National Cholesterol Education Program Versus World Health Organization Metabolic Syndrome in Relation to All-Cause and Cardiovascular Mortality in the San Antonio Heart Study

Kelly J. Hunt, PhD; Roy G. Resendez, MA; Ken Williams, MS;
Steve M. Haffner, MD; Michael P. Stern, MD

(*Circulation*. 2004;110:1251-1257.)

Adjusted for Age and Ethnic Group	General Population		P
	Women	Men	
Model 1: NCEP-MetS	4.65 (2.35–9.21)	1.82 (1.14–2.91)	0.03
Model 2: WHO-MetS	2.83 (1.55–5.17)	1.15 (0.72–1.86)	0.02





Different Impact of the Metabolic Syndrome on Left Ventricular Structure and Function in Hypertensive Men and Women

Giuseppe Schillaci, Matteo Pirro, Giacomo Pucci, Massimo R. Mannarino, Fabio Gemelli, Donatella Siepi, Gaetano Vaudo and Elmo Mannarino

Hypertension 2006;47:881-886; originally published online Apr 3, 2006;

	women			men		
LV mass index, $g \times m^{-2.7}$	40.0 (10)	49.5 (12)	<0.001	46.1 (10)	50.3 (12)	0.003
LV hypertrophy, $\geq 51 g \times m^{-2.7}$	14	37	<0.001	29	39	0.09
LV mass, % from predicted	103.6 (18)	122.4 (20)	<0.001	112.2 (21)	119.5 (26)	0.02
Inappropriately high LV mass, %	5	28	<0.001	16	26	0.08
Relative wall thickness	0.39 (0.07)	0.42 (0.07)	0.004	0.41 (0.07)	0.42 (0.07)	0.20
	NoMS	MS		NoMS	MS	

Variable	B	β	Multiple R	P
Women (n=253)				
Body mass index, kg/m^2	0.85	0.35	0.44	<0.001
Age, y	0.27	0.28	0.53	<0.001
24-h systolic BP, mm Hg	0.16	0.22	0.59	<0.001
MS, yes/no	4.80	0.19	0.81	<0.001
Men (n=365)				
Body mass index, kg/m^2	0.97	0.36	0.40	<0.001
24-h systolic BP, mm Hg	0.29	0.33	0.52	<0.001
Age, y	0.20	0.20	0.60	<0.001
Smoking, yes/no	2.12	0.09	0.61	0.048
MS, yes/no	...	...	...	0.20

Hypertension

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Metabolic Syndrome Affects Cardiovascular Risk Profile and Response to Treatment in Hypertensive Postmenopausal Women

Rosario Rossi, Annachiara Nuzzo, Giorgia Origliani, and Maria Grazia Modena

[Hypertension](#). 2008 Nov;52(5):865-72.

Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of the Study Patients Divided in two Groups According with the Presence of Metabolic Syndrome

<i>parameter</i>	<i>MS yes</i>	<i>MS no</i>	<i>p</i>
n. of patients	180	170	
Caucasian, %	100 (n = 180)	100 (n = 170)	ns
Age, y	54 ± 8	53 ± 10	ns
Time from menopause, months	37 ± 14	38 ± 12	ns
Family history of hypertension, %	52.8 (n = 95)	53.5 (n = 91)	ns
Family history of diabetes, %	56.1 (n = 101)	36.4 (n = 62)	0.003
History of gestational diabetes, %	12.2 (n = 22)	3.5 (n = 6)	0.01

Insulin-resistance indexes

Fasting plasma Insulin, U/L	6.6 ± 4.9	3.5 ± 2.9	< 0.0001
HOMA-IR	7.9 ± 4.9	3.5 ± 3.4	< 0.0001

Sub-clinical inflammation

hs-CRP, ng/L	2.2 ± 0.6	1.7 ± 0.7	< 0.01
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Endothelial function-related parameters

FMD, %	2.4 ± 2.2	4.4 ± 2.5	0.01
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Echocardiographic parameters

LAD, mm	42 ± 13	43 ± 12	ns
EDLVD, mm	47 ± 14	49 ± 14	ns
Left ventricular FS, %	29 ± 7	31 ± 8	ns
Left ventricular mass, g/m ^{2.7}	44 ± 15	41 ± 16	0.03
Left ventricular hypertrophy, %	30.5 (n = 55)	24.1 (n = 41)	0.04

Table 2. Blood Pressure Values at Baseline and After One Year of Treatment and the Antihypertensive Regimen: A Comparison Between Groups.

	<i>MS yes</i> <i>(n = 180)</i>	<i>MS no</i> <i>(n = 170)</i>	<i>p</i>
<i>Blood pressure measurements</i>			
Baseline blood pressure values (systolic/diastolic), mmHg	154 ± 14 / 94 ± 7	155 ± 13 / 94 ± 8	ns
Blood pressure values after 1 year of treatment (systolic/diastolic), mmHg	131 ± 15 / 83 ± 8 *	130 ± 16 / 84 ± 7 *	ns
<i>Regimen</i>			
Nonpharmacologic treatment, %	2.9 (n = 5)	2.4 (n = 4)	ns
Single-drug therapy, %	7.7 (n = 14)	9.4 (n = 16)	ns
Two antihypertensive drugs, %	15.5 (n = 28)	30.6 (n = 52)	0.001
Three or plus antihypertensive drugs, %	73.9 (n = 133)	57.6 (n = 98)	0.01

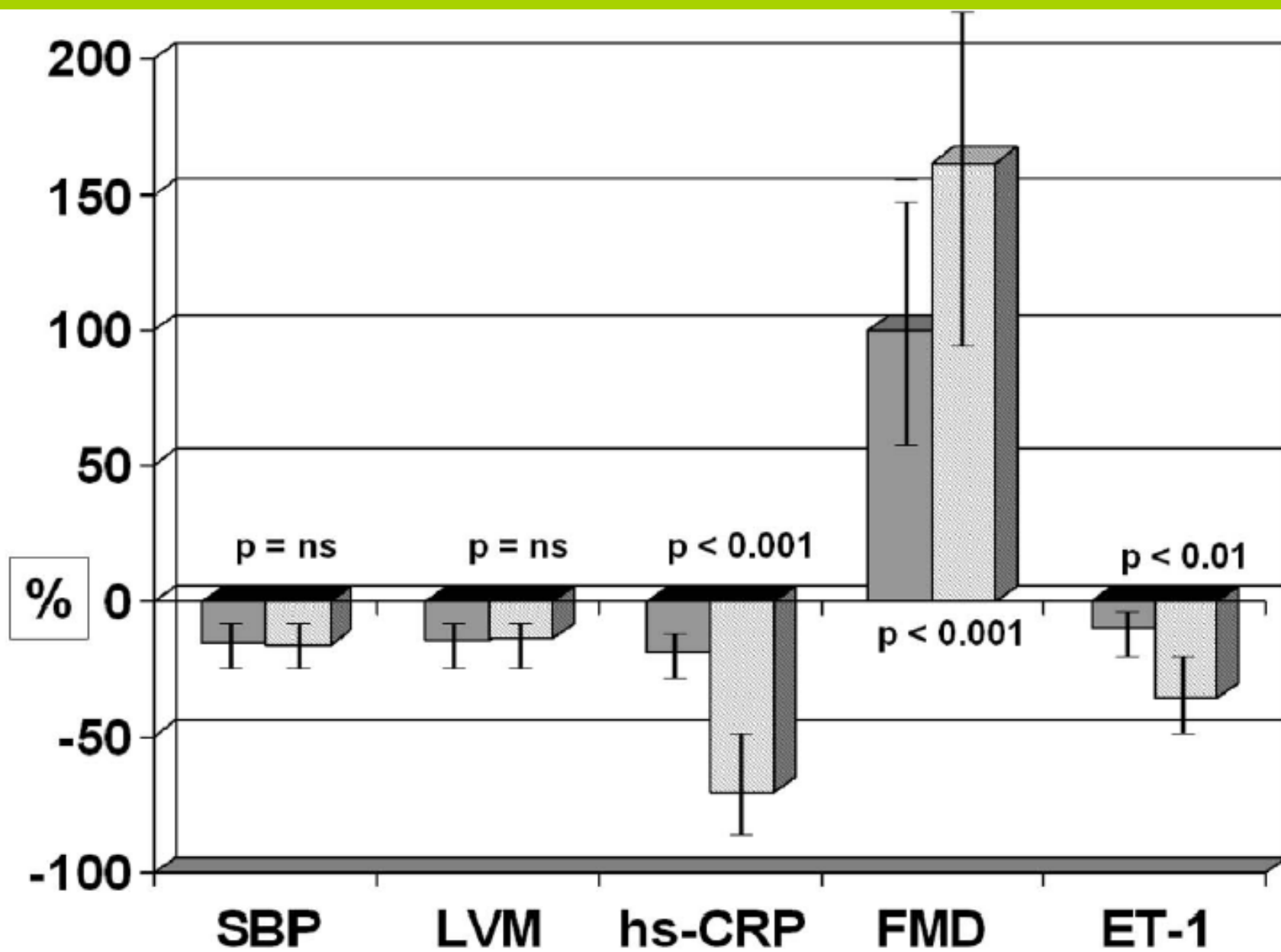
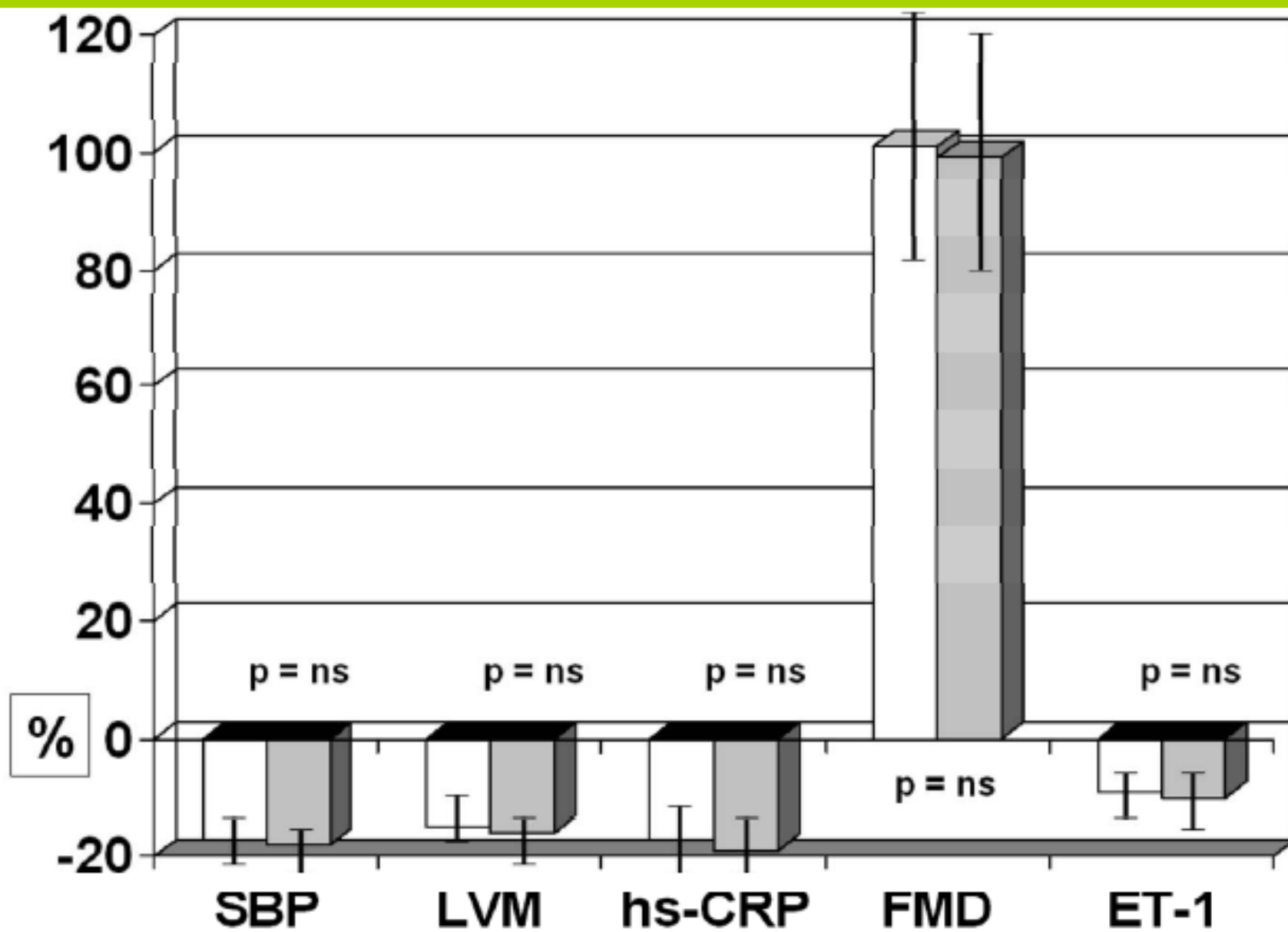
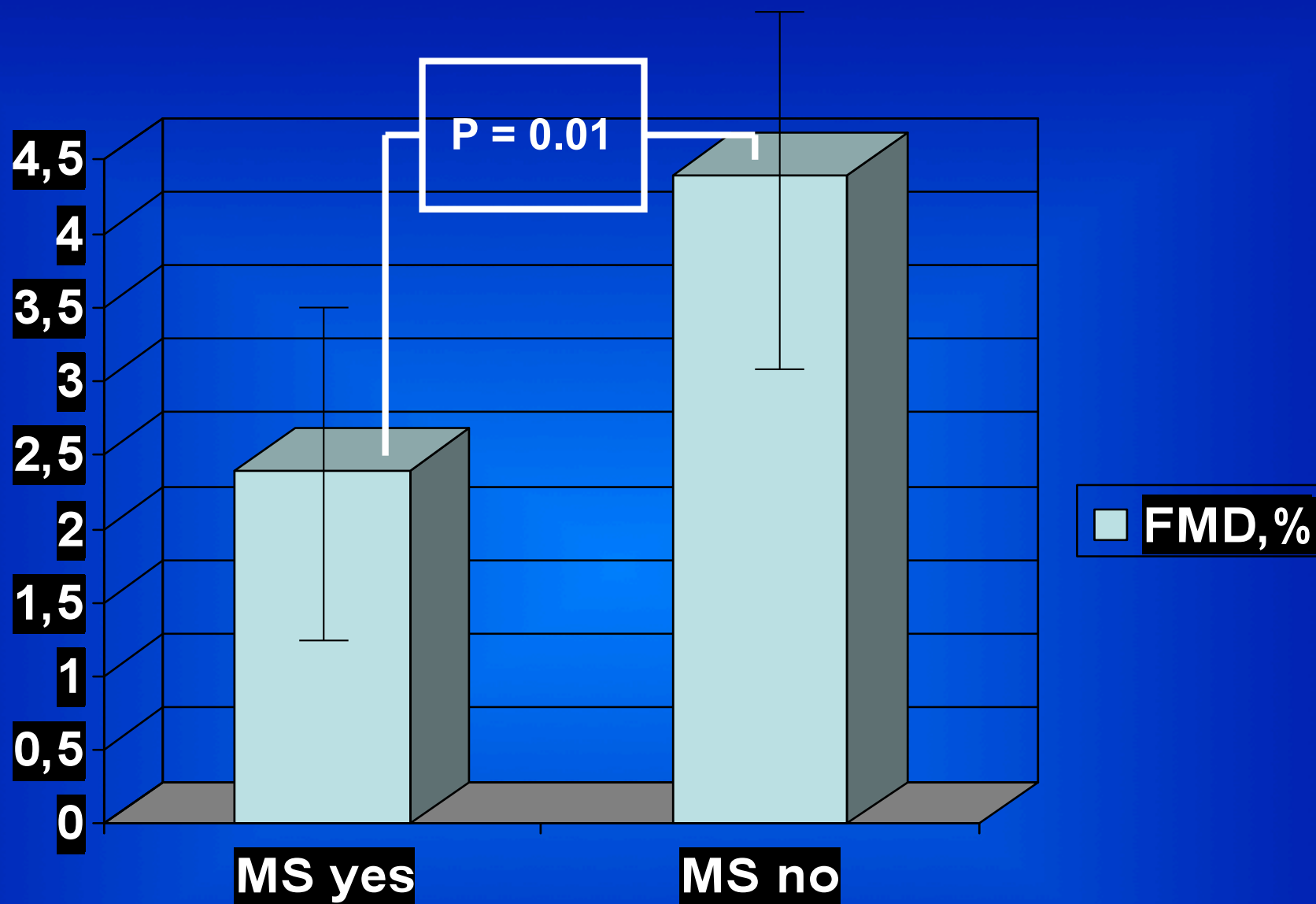


Table 4. Baseline Characteristics of the 180 Women with Hypertension and Metabolic Syndrome
Divided in two Groups According with the Presence of Overweight/Obesity

<i>parameter</i>	<i>Normal weight</i> ($20 < BMI < 25 \text{ Kg/m}^2$)	<i>Overweight/Obesity</i> ($BMI > 25 \text{ Kg/m}^2$)	<i>p</i>
n. of patients	54 of 180 (30%)	126 of 180 (70%)	
Caucasian, %	100 (n = 54)	100 (n = 126)	ns
Age, y	53 ± 9	55 ± 8	ns
Time from menopause, months	37 ± 13	38 ± 12	ns
Family history of hypertension, %	55.5 (n = 30)	51.6 (n = 65)	ns
Family history of diabetes, %	94.4 (n = 51)	39.7 (n = 50)	< 0.0001
History of gestational diabetes, %	35.2 (n = 19)	2.3 (n = 3)	< 0.0001





Funzione endoteliale in 350 pazienti ipertese

Effects of insulin resistance on endothelial function: possible mechanisms and clinical implications

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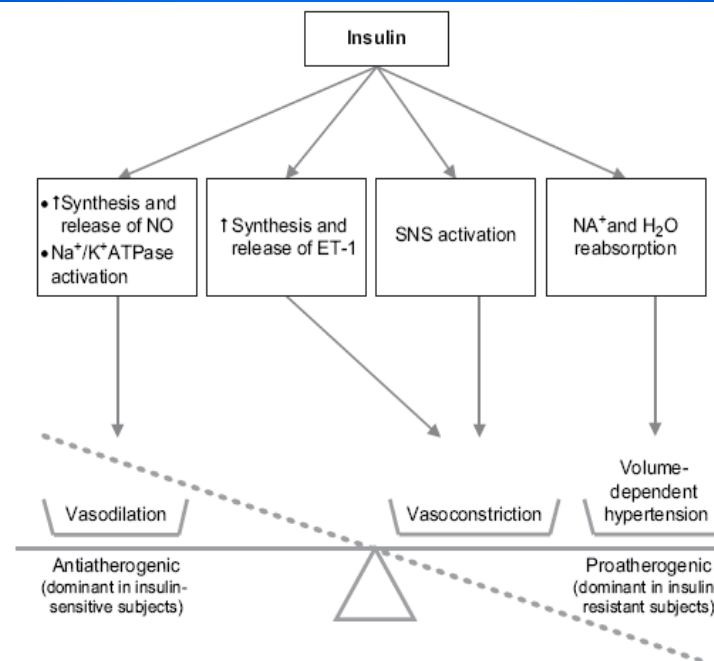


Fig. 1 Haemodynamic effects of insulin. In states of health, a fine balance is kept between the opposing effects of insulin with a net anti-atherogenic effect. In states of insulin resistance, selective impairment of the vasculoprotective actions of insulin occurs (left side of the figure), while the unopposed detrimental actions are actually exaggerated further by the ensuing hyperinsulinaemia (right side of the figure). As a result, in insulin-resistant subjects, the balance is tipped towards a state promoting atherogenesis. ET-1, endothelin-1; SNS, sympathetic nervous system.

Reciprocal Relationships Between Insulin Resistance and Endothelial Dysfunction

Molecular and Pathophysiological Mechanisms

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(*Circulation*. 2006;113:1888-1904.)

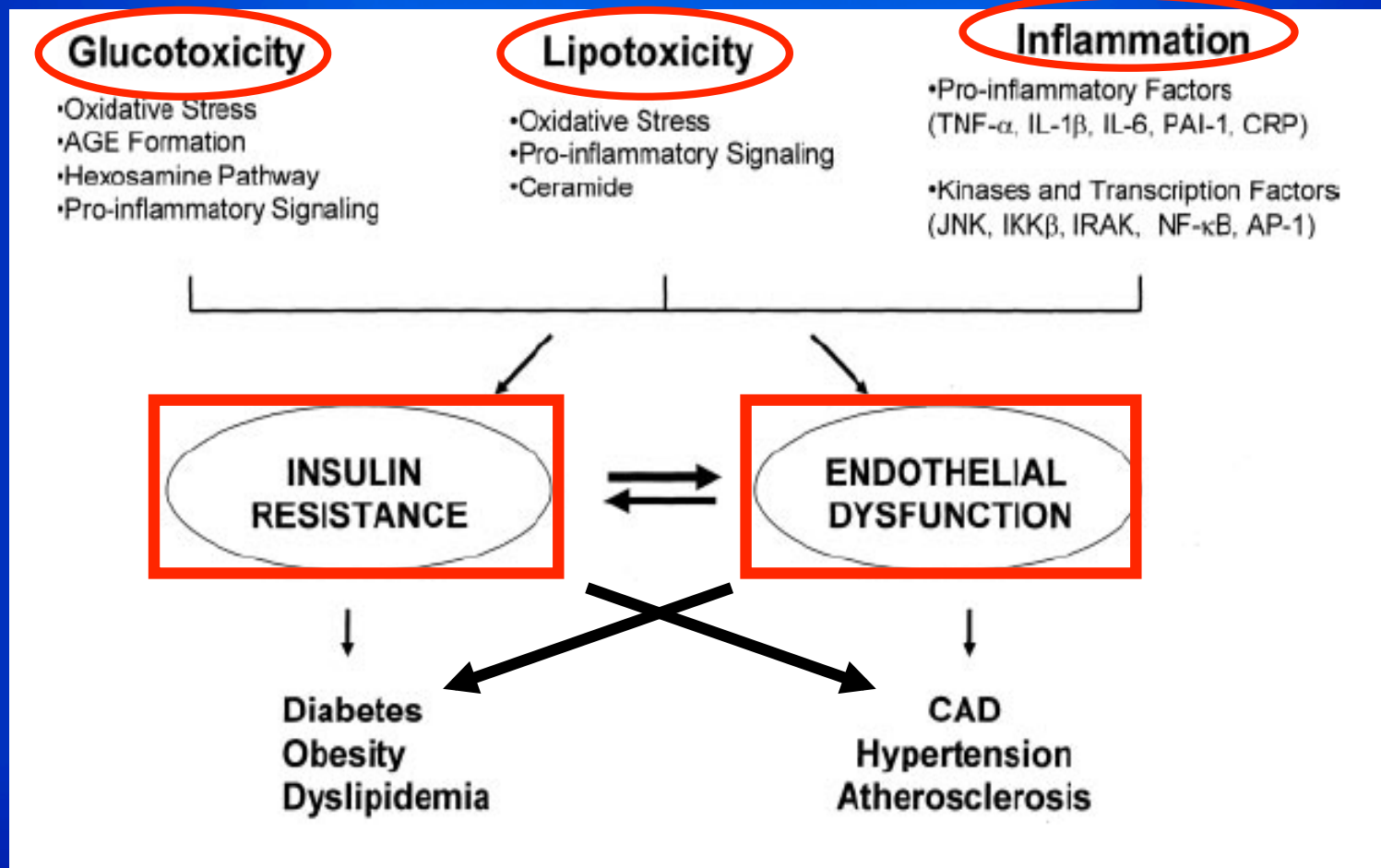


Table 3**Cardiovascular Event Rates and Association Between FMD Tertiles and Cardiovascular Events in Our Population**

	3° (Higher) Tertile (FMD ≥8.1%)	2° (Intermediate) Tertile (FMD From 4.6% to 8.0%)	1° (Lower) Tertile (FMD ≤4.5%)	p Value*
TIA, %	0.26 (2 of 754)	1.72 (13 of 755)	4.23 (32 of 755)	<0.0001
Ischemic stroke, %	0.39 (3 of 754)	1.05 (8 of 755)	1.32 (10 of 755)	<0.01
Nonfatal myocardial infarction, %	0.26 (2 of 754)	3.97 (3 of 755)	5.29 (4 of 755)	<0.05
Hospitalization for coronary revascularization, %	0.13 (1 of 754)	0.92 (7 of 755)	0.26 (2 of 755)	NS
Cardiac-related death, %	0	0	0.39 (3 of 755)	NS
Cardiovascular events (total), %	1.06 (8 of 754)	4.10 (31 of 755)	6.75 (51 of 755)	<0.0001
Relative risk (crude)	1.0	3.87	6.36	<0.0001
95% CI	Referent	2.05–8.55	4.26–11.50	—
Relative risk (adjusted for age and other conventional risk factors)	1.0	1.33	4.42	<0.0001
95% CI	Referent	1.09–4.09	2.97–8.01	—

*p is the overall significance between groups, calculated by chi-square test, linear-by-linear association.

TIA = transient ischemic attack; other abbreviations as in Table 2.

REVIEW

Insulin Resistance and the Endothelium

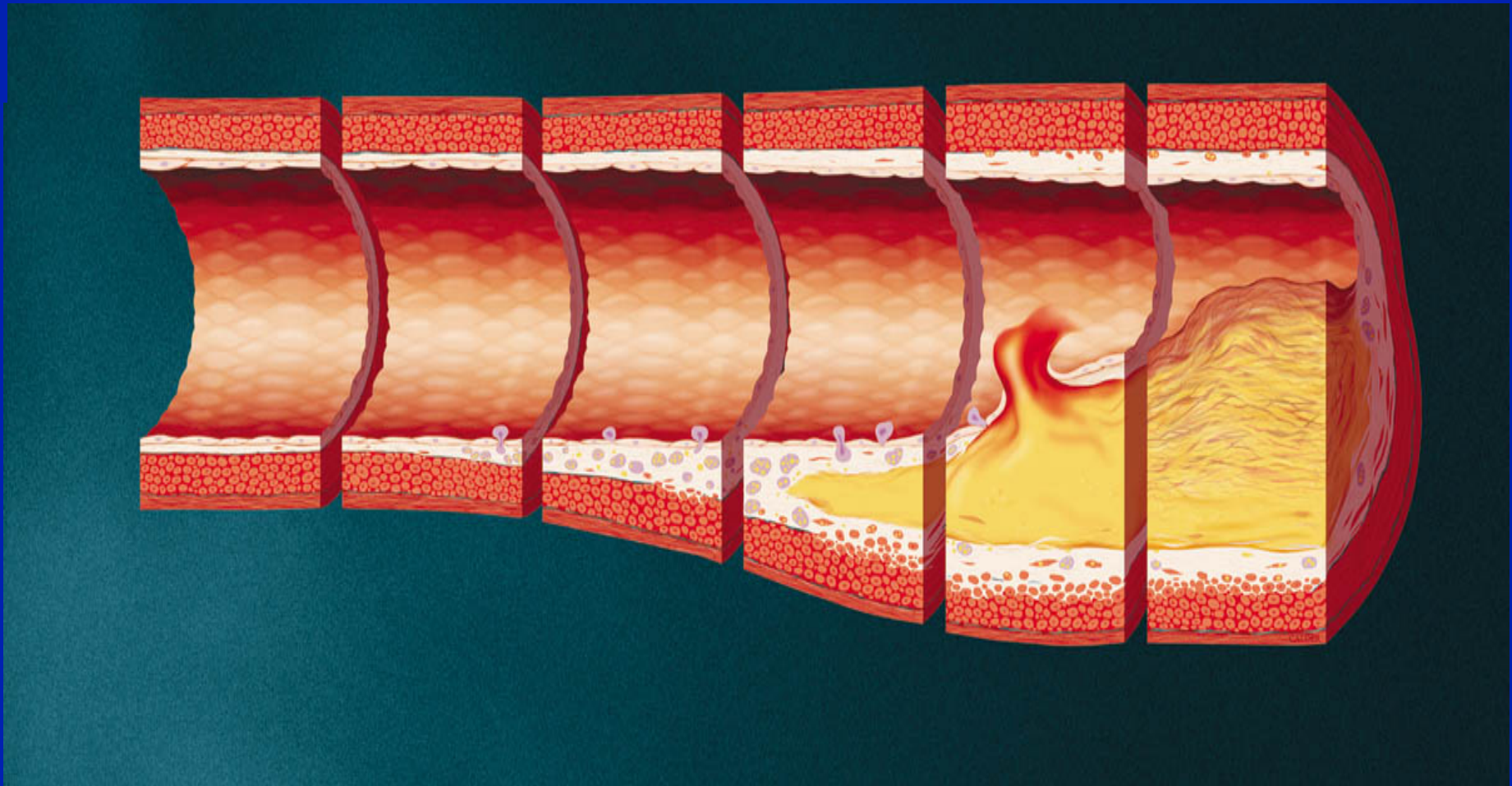
Willa A. Hsueh, MD, Christopher J. Lyon, PhD, Manuel J. Quiñones, MD

Increasing evidence of a parallel progression between insulin resistance and endothelial dysfunction, suggesting a close association between insulin action and the endothelium. Numerous studies have demonstrated that endothelial dysfunction occurs early in the insulin-resistant state and is predictive of cardiovascular events. Similarly, insulin resistance has been associated with the metabolic syndrome, which also increases the risk of adverse cardiovascular outcomes. Ap-

provement with statins, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors, angiotensin receptor blockers, or peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor γ ligands, have been shown to prevent the development of diabetes and cardiovascular disease. This article reviews the association between endothelial dysfunction and cardiovascular disease, assesses the endothelium in the spectrum of insulin resistance, and examines the effect of the thiazolidinediones on endothelial function. *Am J Med.* 2004;117:109–117.

TREATMENT	IMPROVE ENDOTHELIAL FUNCTION	REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF T2 DIABETES
Exercise and Diet	Yes	Yes
ACE inhibitors and ARBs	Yes	Yes
PPAR- γ ligands	Yes	Yes
Estrogen replacement	Yes	Yes
Statins	Yes	Yes
Metformin	Yes	Yes

IL RIMODELLAMENTO VASCOLARE



Adapted from Libby P. *Circulation* 2001; 104: 365-372

Il modello HIV

- Il paziente con HIV trattato con politerapia anti-retrovirale sviluppa spesso SM, insulino-resistenza e diabete mellito tipo 2; ed aumenta, di conseguenza, il rischio CV.
- Abbiamo studiato, in uno studio cross-sectional, 570 pazienti con infezione da HIV, tutti trattati con terapia anti-retrovirale (età media = 46 ± 7 anni)
- MS- = 466; MS+ = 104; **prev. = 18.2%**

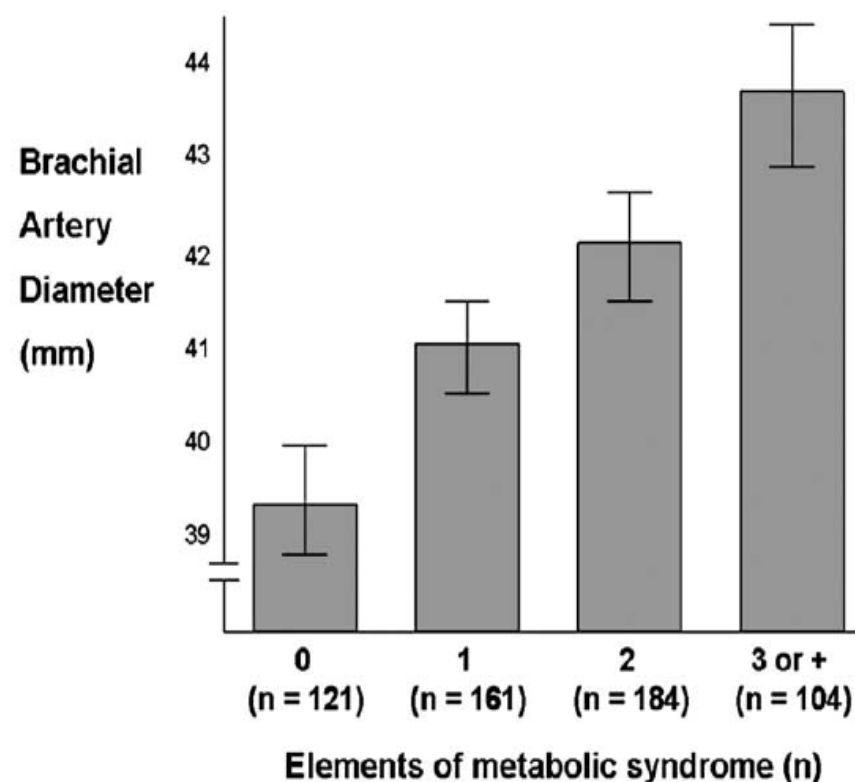
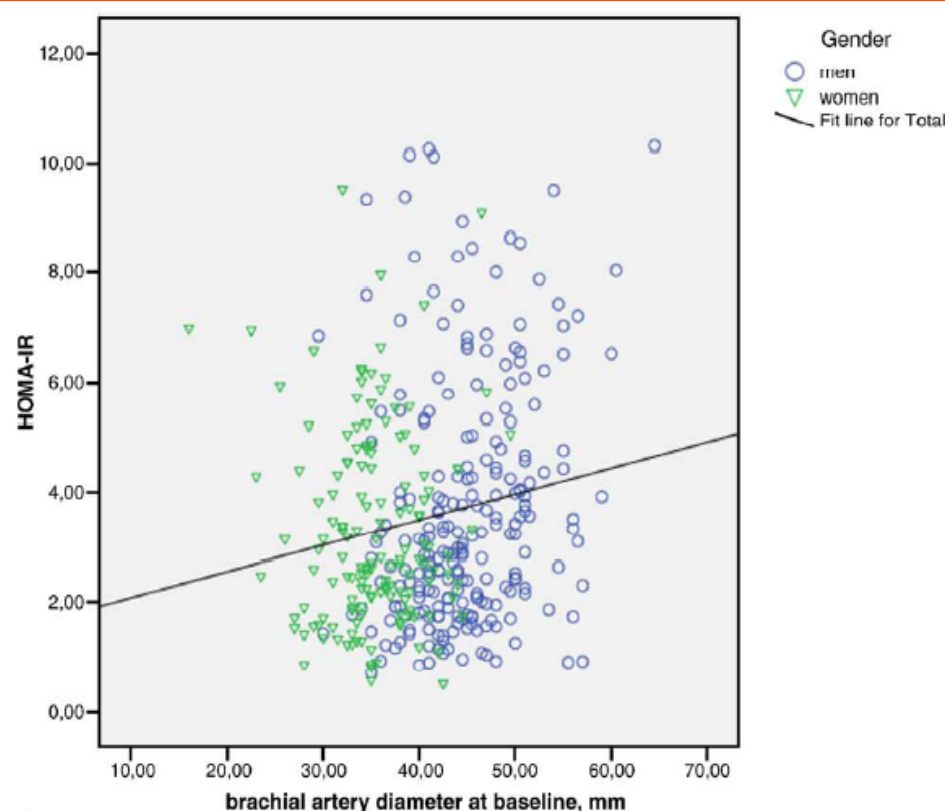
Metabolic disorders induced by highly active antiretroviral therapy and their relationship with vascular remodeling of the brachial artery in a population of HIV-infected patients

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Insulin-resistance affects remodeling of the systemic conductance arteries in postmenopausal women

Abbiamo studiato 124 donne in postmenopausa (diabetiche escluse), che effettuavano coronarografia nel sospetto di coronaropatia. In tutte abbiamo misurato il diametro del tronco comune, della discendente anteriore, della circonflessa e della coronaria destra prossimale. Inoltre, abbiamo misurato il diametro dell'arteria brachiale e delle carotidi interne, ed abbiamo effettuato lo studio della funzione endoteliale tramite il calcolo della vasodilatazione flusso-mediata.

In corso di valutazione su Diabetes Care

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- Le nostre pazienti sono state suddivise, in relazione alla presenza di malattia coronarica, in 4 gruppi: coronarie indenni (0 vasi); 1 vaso coronarico epicardico malato; 2 vasi; 3 o più vasi malati
- 38 pazienti (30.6%) presentavano coronarie indenni (gruppo di riferimento); 34 (27.4%) una malattia di 1 vaso; 30 (24.2%) di 2 vasi; e 22 (17.8%) una malattia di 3 o più vasi.

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Risultati

Estensione della Coronaropatia	0 vasi (n=38)	1 vaso (n=34)	2 vasi (n=30)	3 + vasi (n=22)	p trend
TC, mm	36±7	38±7	39±8	41±8	.0001
IVA prox, mm	32±6	34±8	37±9	38±7	.001
Cx prox, mm	28±6	29±5	31±7	33±7	.001
CDx prox, mm	34±6	36±7	38±7	40±9	.001

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BAD, mm	34±8	37±9	40±9	43±7	.0001
ICA Sx, mm	66±6	69±7	71±7	74±9	.0001
ICA Dx, mm	64±8	67±7	69±8	73±9	.0001

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BMI,Kg/m ²	26±4	27±5	27±7	28±8	0.2
SC,m ²	1.8±0.2	1.8±0.2	1.9±0.2	1.9±0.3	0.7

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WC,cm	86±10	89±11	93±11	97±12	.001
HbA _{1c} ,%	4.7±0.9	5.1±1.0	5.5±0.9	6.0±0.8	.001
HOMA-IR	3.8±3.0	4.8±3.2	5.7±4.1	6.9±3.5	.0001

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FMD,%	14±10	10±12	8±11	4±9	.001
NTGMD,%	24±10	22±11	18±10	18±11	.05

Metabolic Syndrome, Insulin Resistance, and Brachial Artery Vasodilator Function in Framingham Offspring Participants Without Clinical Evidence of Cardiovascular Disease

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HOMA-IR*

Insulin resistance*†

MS yes

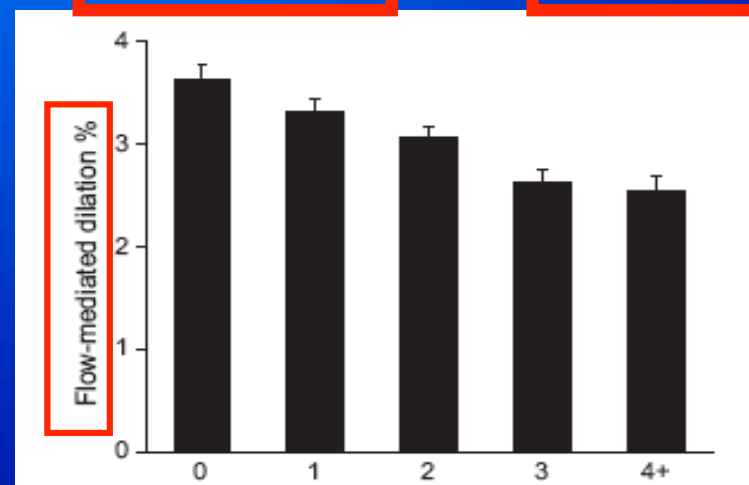
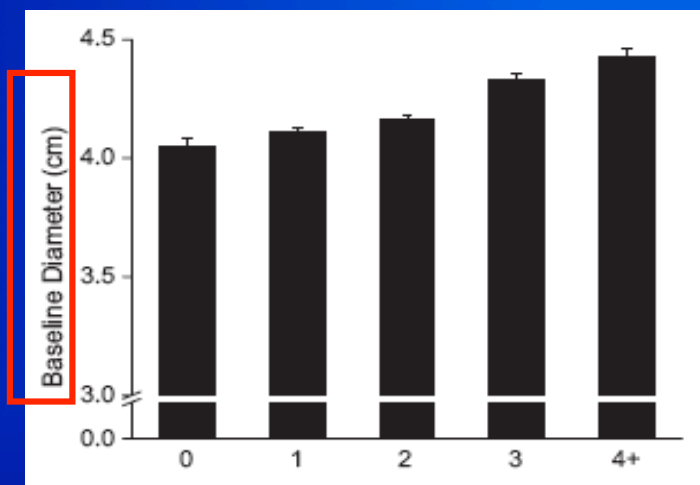
5.3 ± 3.0

51%

MS no

2.9 ± 1.5

10%



CONCLUSIONI

- Il diabete mellito tipo 2 è il fattore di rischio maggiormente significativo nella donna per malattie cardiovascolari. Incide così tanto che merita l'appellativo di “tallone d'Achille”.
- Così come il T2DM, anche l'insulino-resistenza, e la sua forma clinicamente evidente: la Sindrome Metabolica, incrementano significativamente il rischio cardiovascolare, specificamente nella donna.

CONCLUSIONI 2

I meccanismi tramite cui questo si verifica sono 2:

- la Disfunzione Endoteliale
- il Rimodellamento Vascolare

Conclusioni 3

- Il rimodellamento vascolare correla ampiamente con il rischio di eventi cardiovascolari.
- Dovrebbe essere compreso meglio, al fine di classificare il livello individuale di rischio.
- L'effetto negativo sul rimodellamento delle arterie di conduttanza sembra per lo più mediato dall'insulino-resistenza (componente metabolica).
- La dimensione dell'arteria e lo studio del flusso danno indicazioni "complementari".