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Pathogenesis of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

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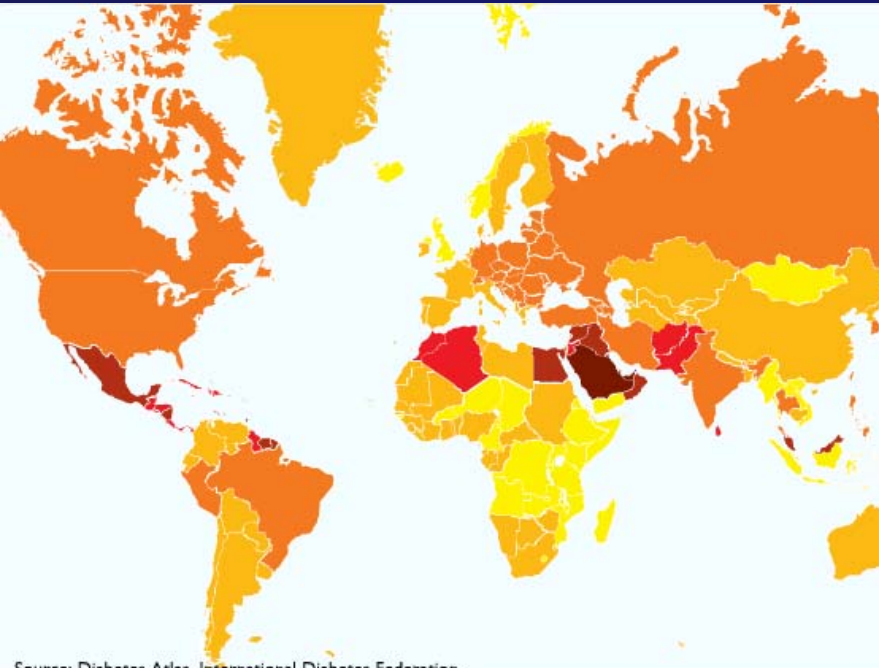
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Diabetes: serious, widespread disease



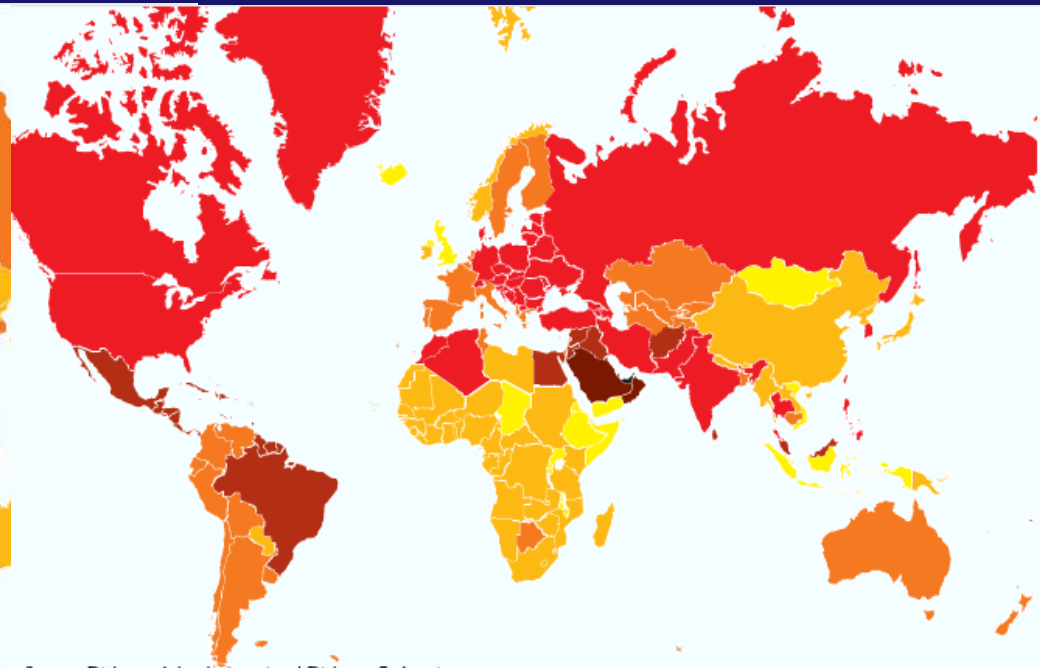
	1995	2000	2007
Type 1	3.5 million	4.4 million	5.5 million
Type 2	114.8 million	146.8 million	240.5 million
TOTAL	118.4 million	151.2 million	246 million

Prevalence of Diabetes



Source: Diabetes Atlas, International Diabetes Federation.

2007



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2025

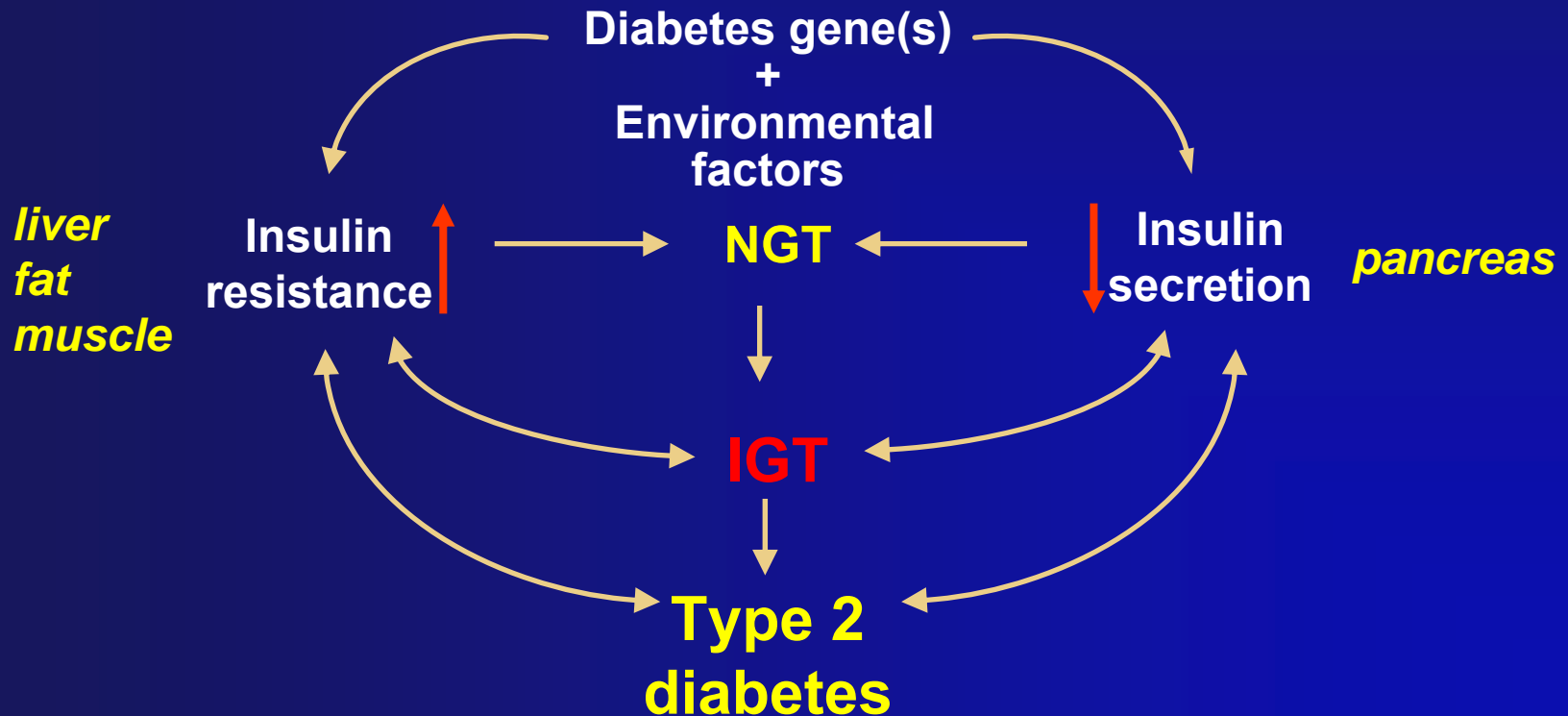
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■ < 4%
■ 4% - 6%

■ 6% - 8%
■ 8% - 10%
■ 10% - 14%

■ 14% - 20%
■ > 20%

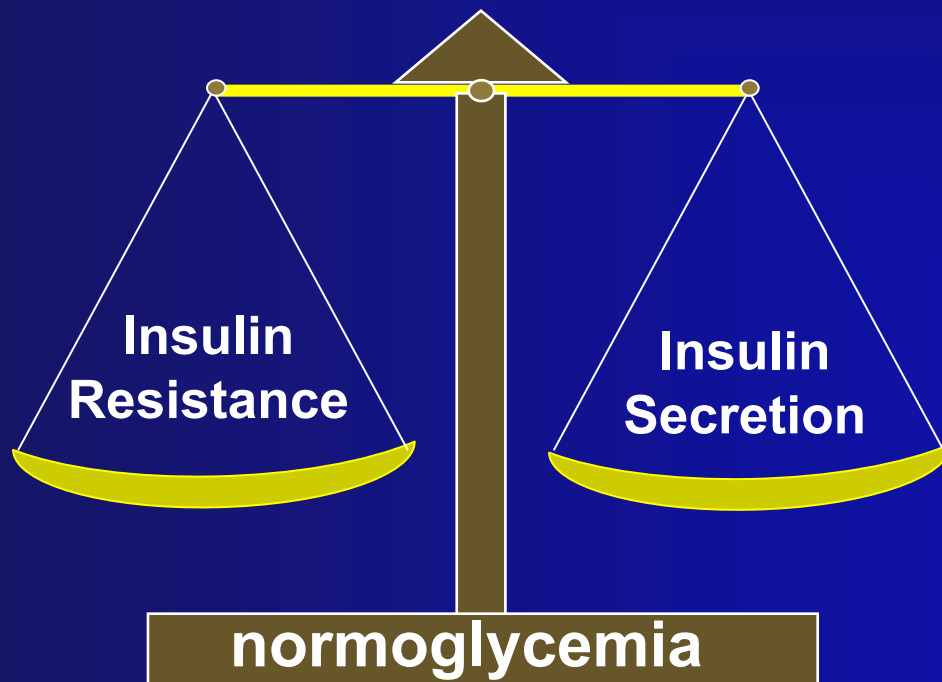
Natural History of T2DM

In the natural history of type 2 diabetes (T2DM), individuals progress from normal glucose tolerance (NGT) to impaired glucose tolerance (IGT) to overt T2DM

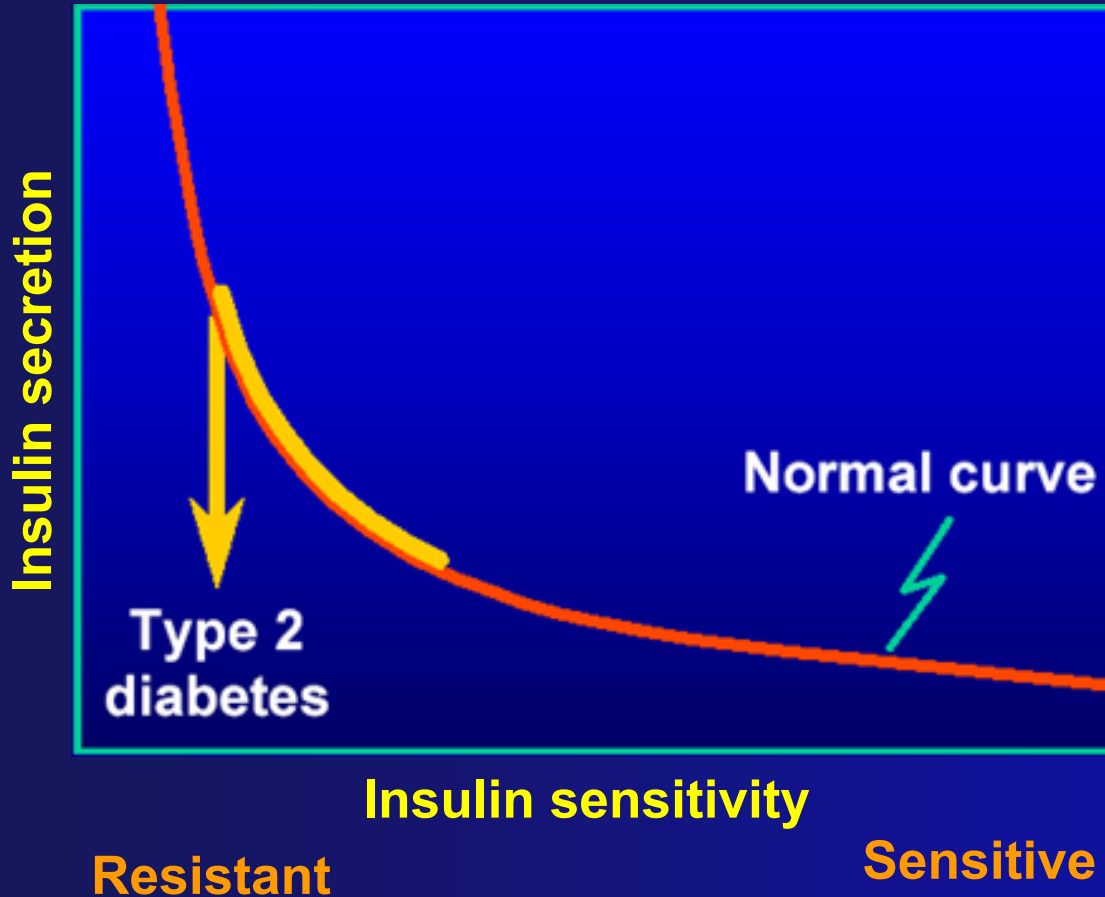


Natural History of T2DM

- It is widely recognised that in the pathogenesis of glucose intolerance and postprandial hyperglycemia both insulin resistance and beta-cell dysfunction are important.



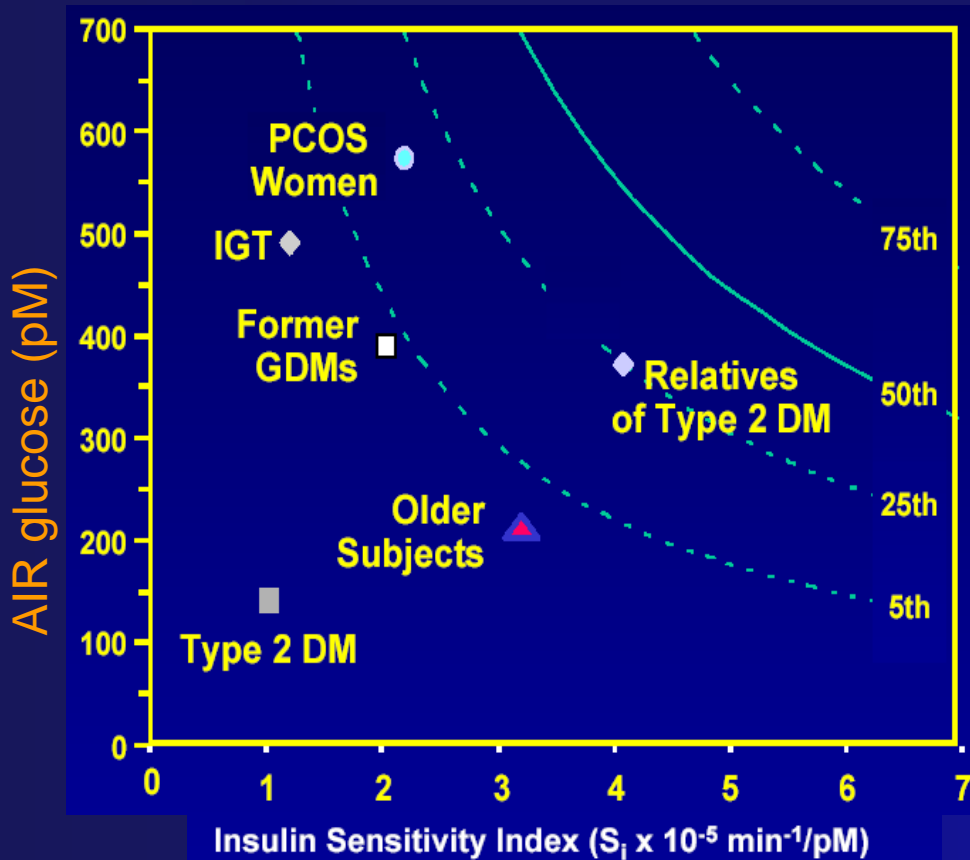
The dynamic interaction between insulin secretion and insulin sensitivity is essential to the maintenance of NGT



As long as the β -cell is able to secrete sufficient amounts of insulin to offset the severity of insulin resistance, glucose tolerance remains normal.

As the β -cell fails, demands exceeds insulin secretion and type 2 diabetes develops

Type 2 Diabetes = “Falling off the curve”



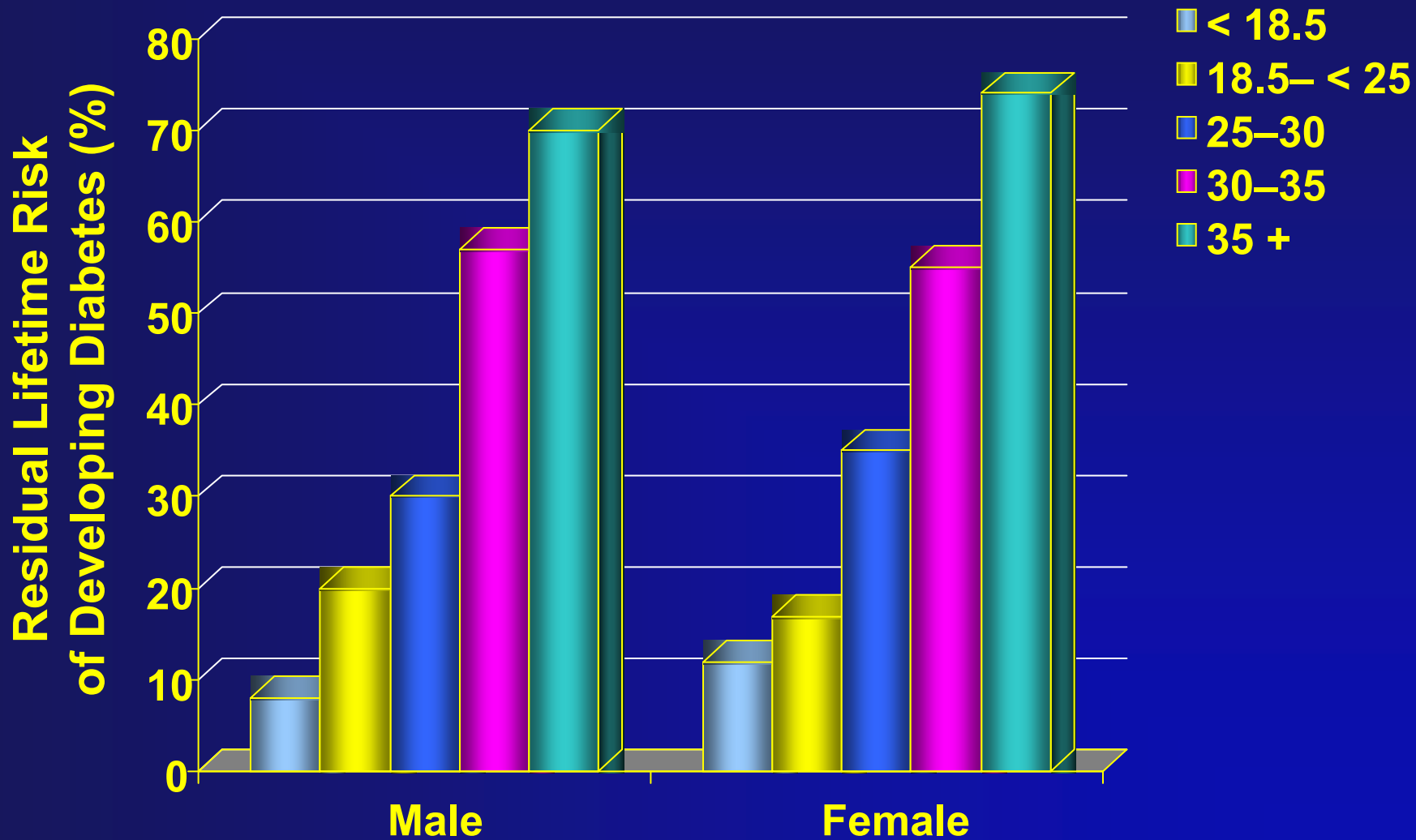
In populations with a high prevalence of T2DM, insulin resistance is well established long before the development of any impairment in glucose homeostasis.

Pathogenesis of T2DM: role of diet

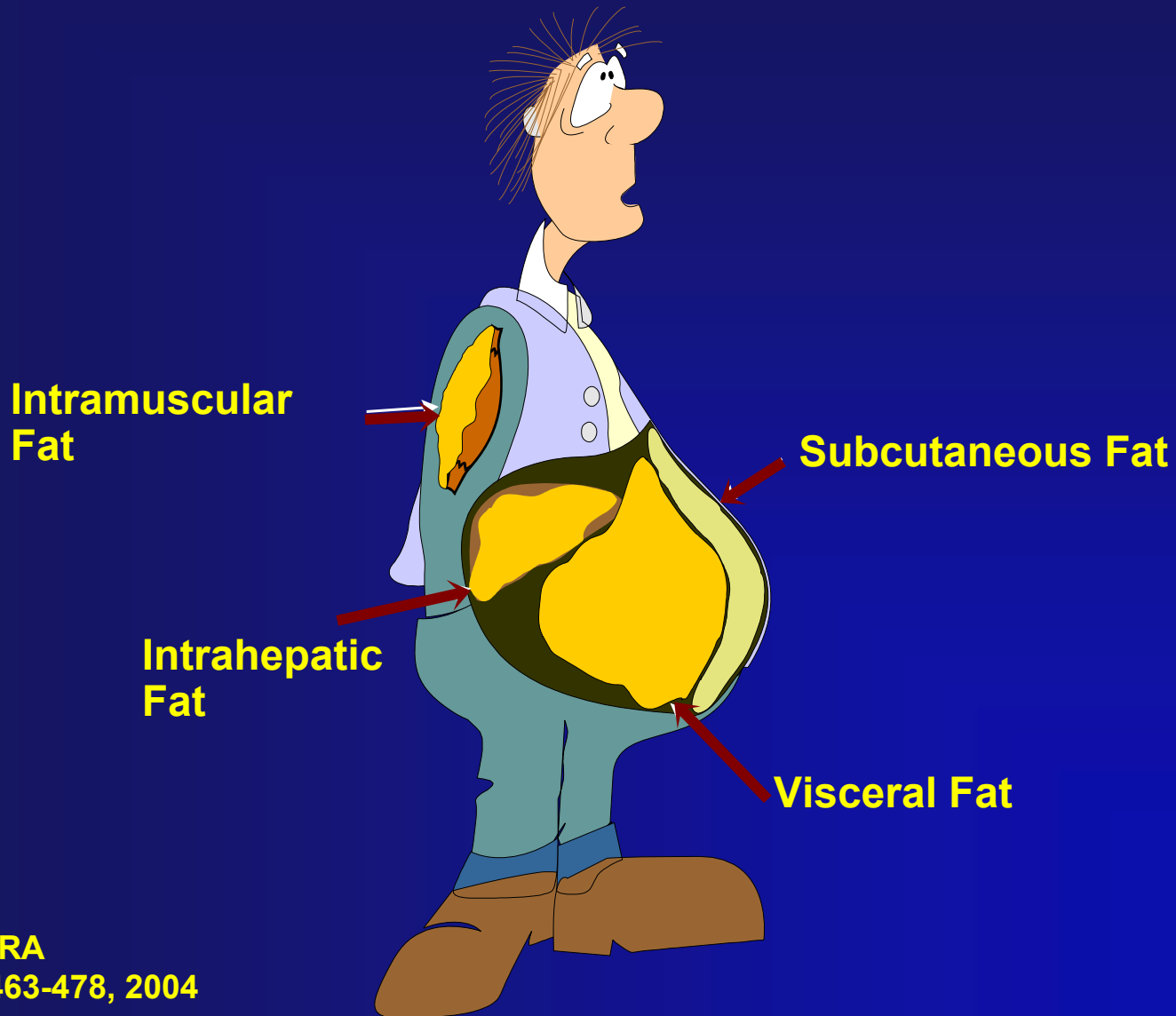


Leonard Glass

Increased BMI Leads to Increased Risk for Developing Diabetes in Both Genders



Importance of fat distribution



High risk for CVD

Hypertension

Diabetes

Intramuscular fat

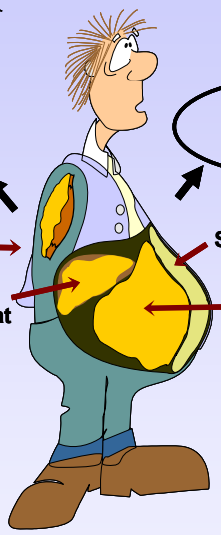
Subcutaneous fat

Hepatic fat

Visceral Fat

↑AST, ↑ALT
↑GGT

↑ Triglycerides
↓ HDL cholesterol

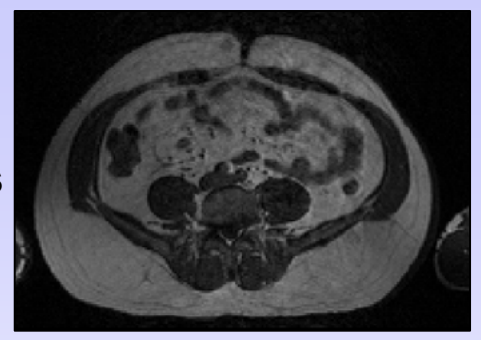


Redrawn from DeFronzo RA
JCEM 89:463-478, 2004

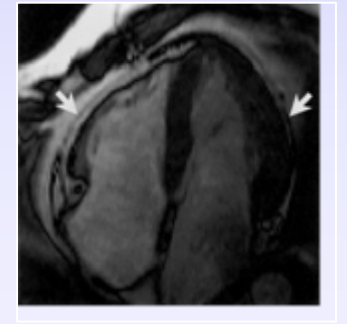
Magnetic Resonance for the quantification of body fat



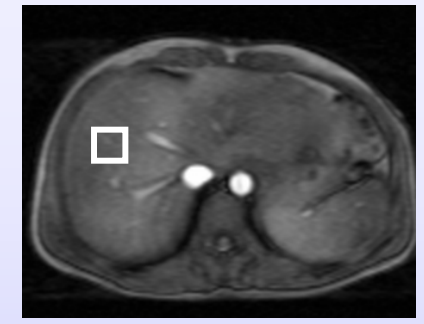
Visceral and subcutaneous fat



Abdominal fat

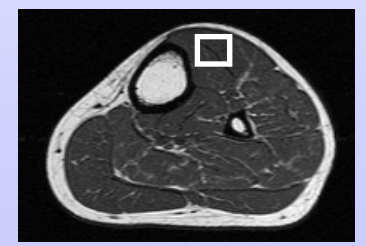


Cardiac fat

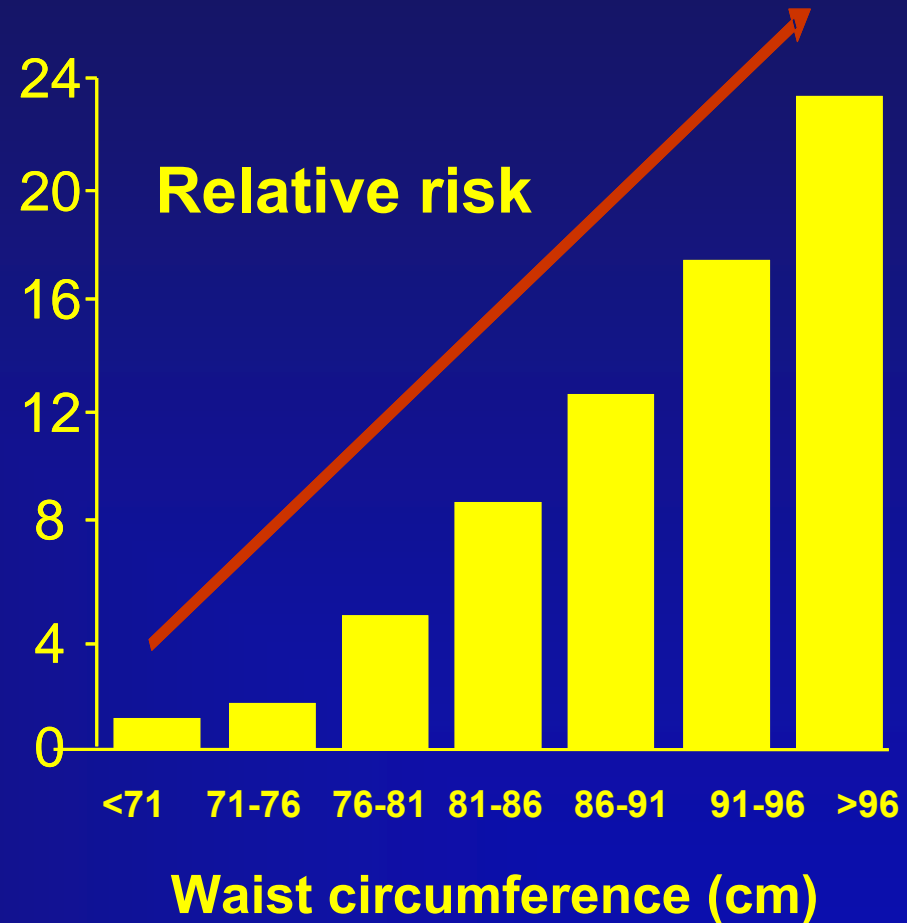
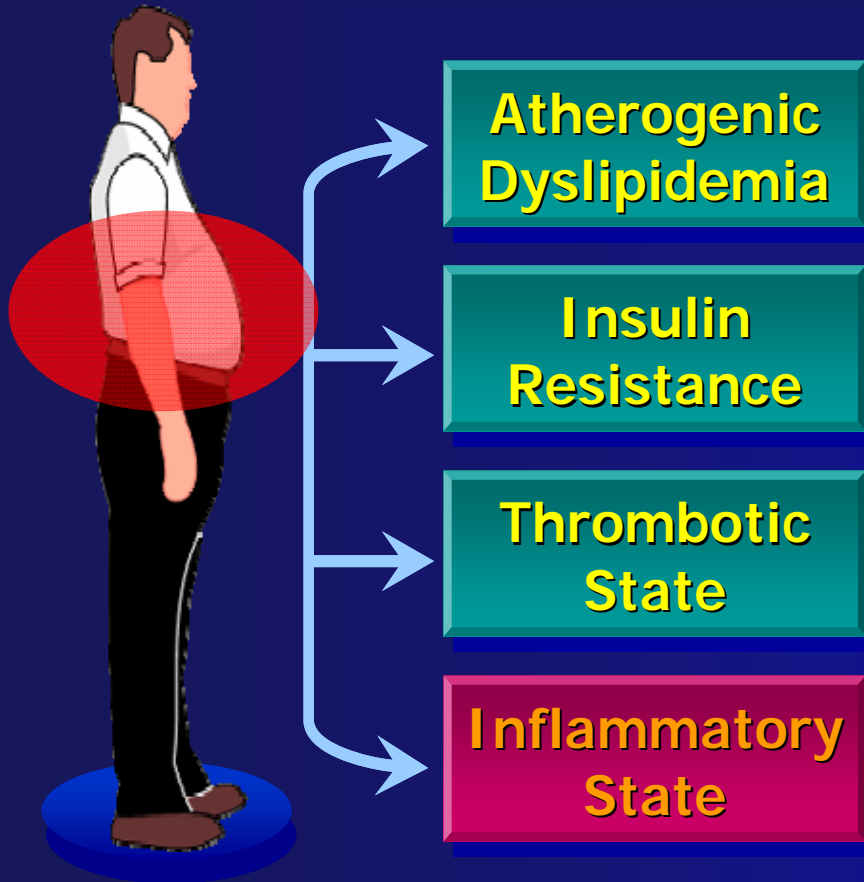


Liver fat

Muscle fat



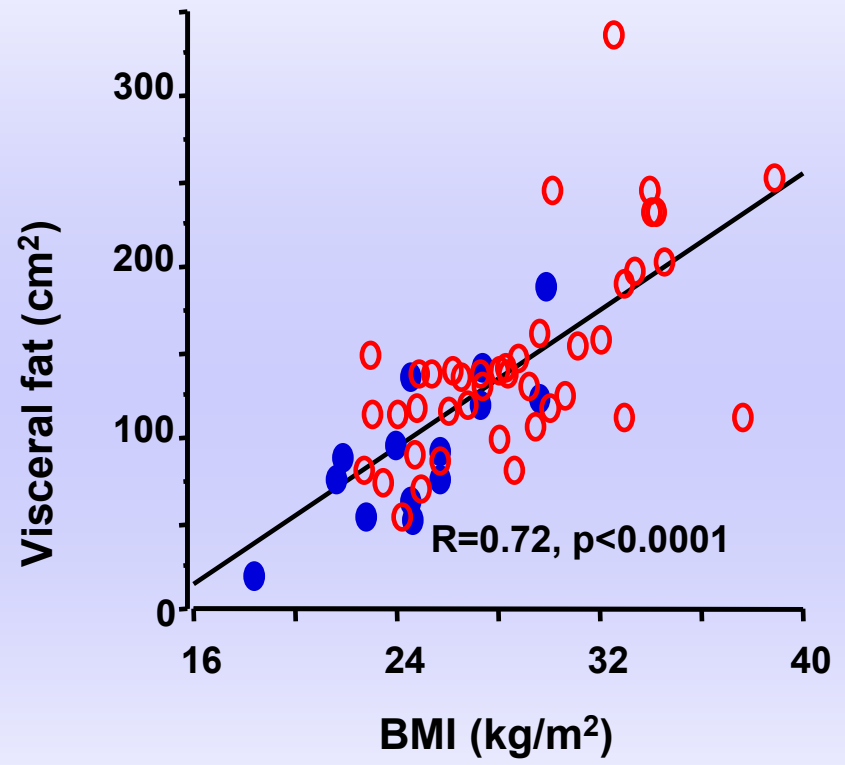
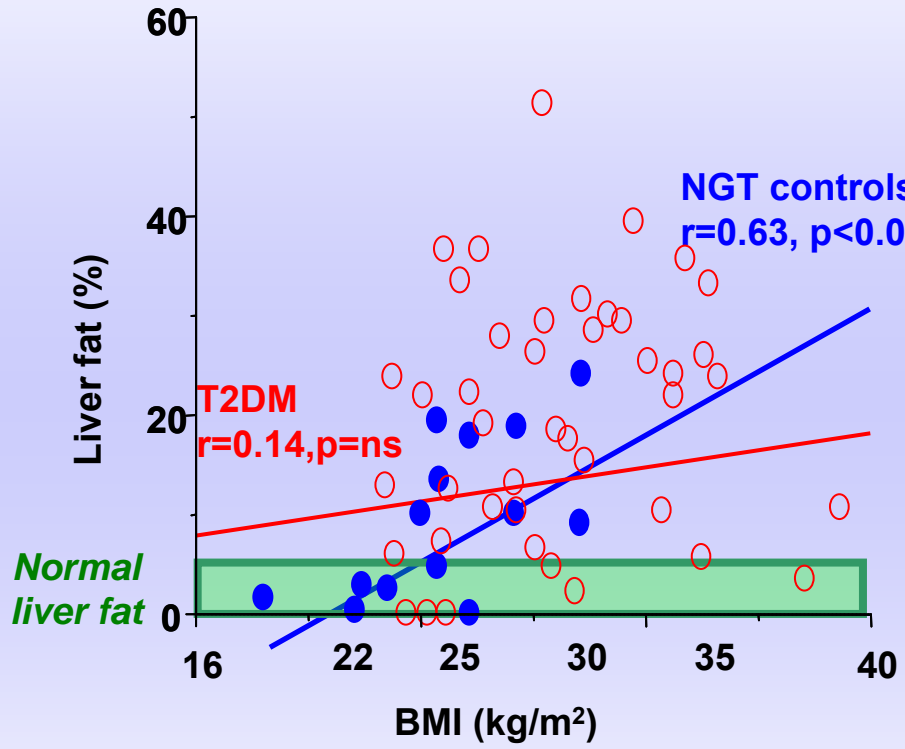
Abdominal obesity increases the risk of developing type 2 diabetes



Adapted from *JAMA*. 2001;285:2486-2497; Alberti KG, et al. *Lancet*. 2005;366:1059-1062; Grundy SM, et al. *Circulation*. 2005;112:2735-2752.

Carey VJ et al, 1997

Visceral and hepatic fat in T2DM



● CT ○ T2D

Pathogenesis of Diabetes

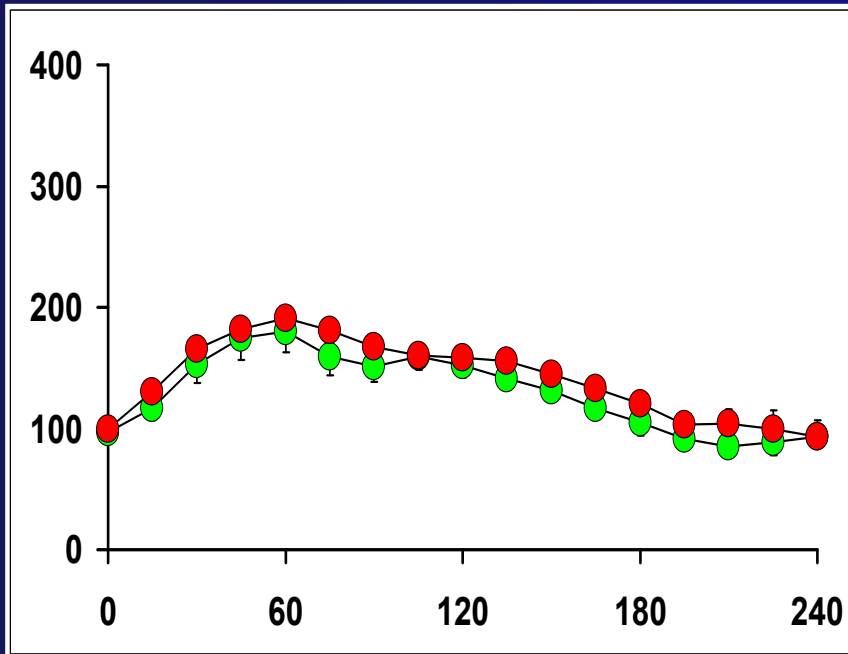
- **Role of insulin resistance on**
 - **Fasting hyperglycemia**
 - **Postprandial hyperglycemia**

Insulin Resistance

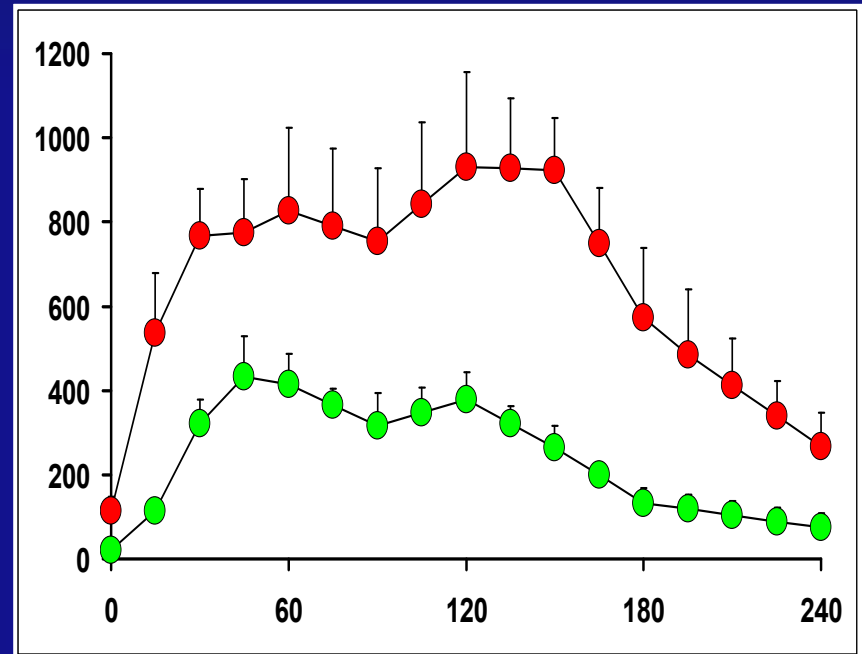
“a state (of a cell, tissue, system or body) in which greater-than-normal amounts of insulin are required to elicit a quantitatively normal response”

Berson & Yalow, 1970.

Glucose (mg/dl)



Insulin (pmol/l)

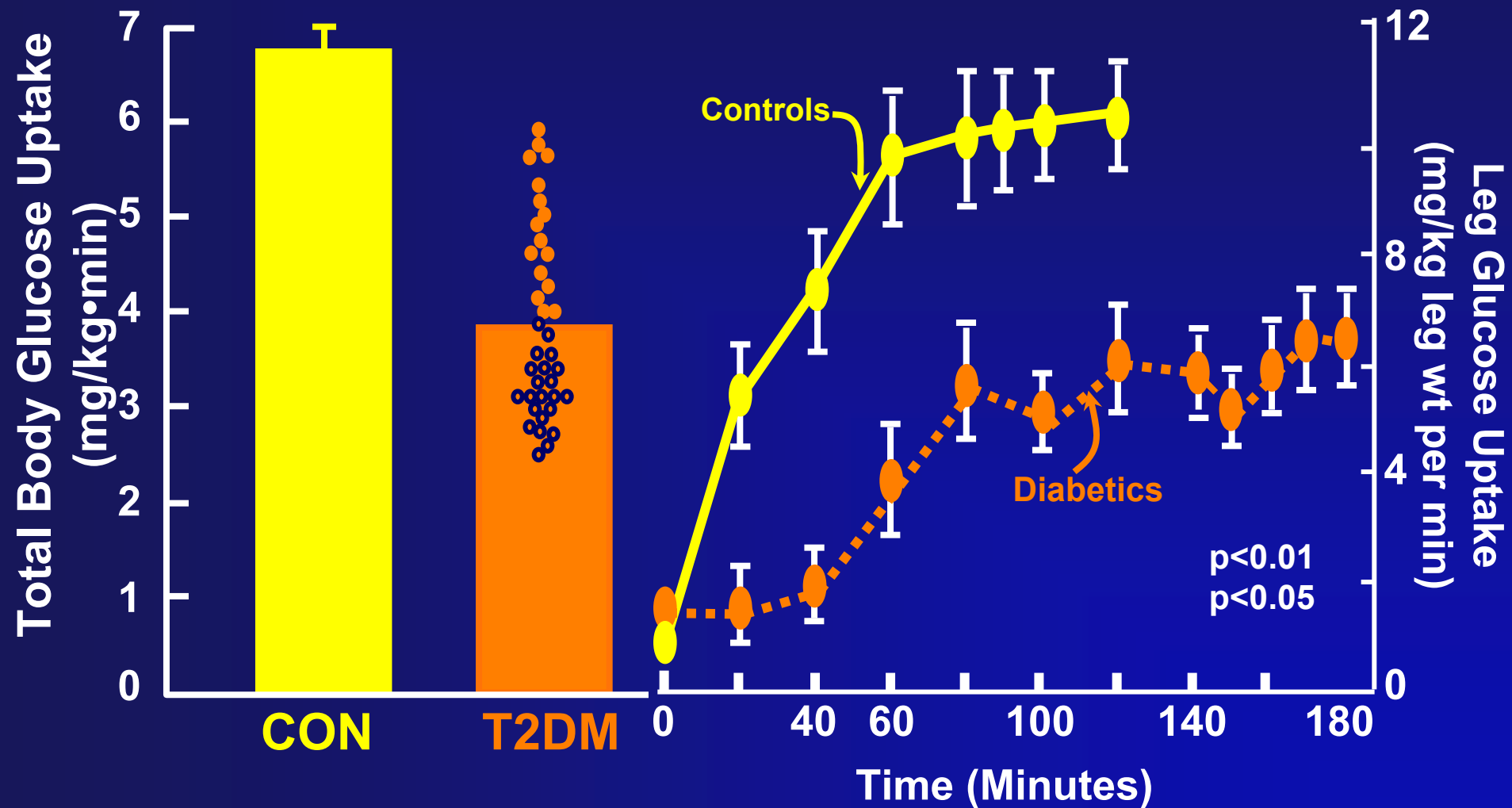


● Healthy Control

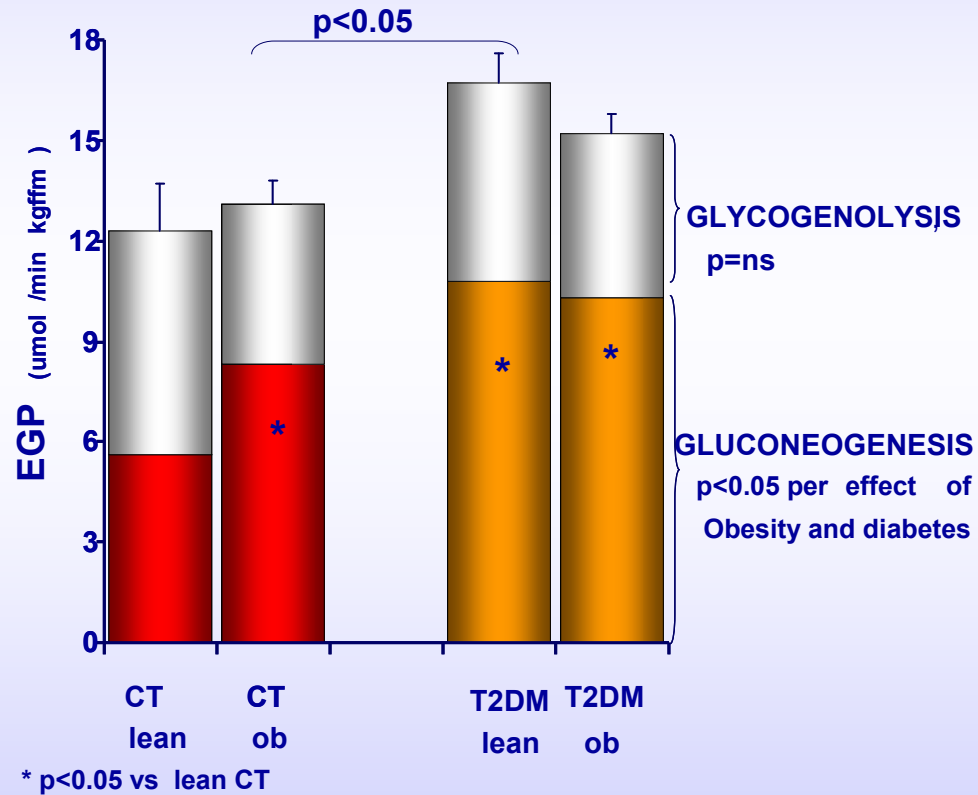
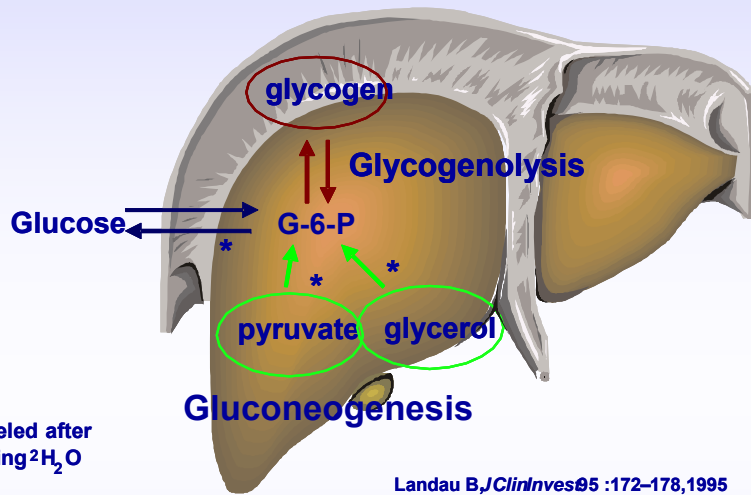
● Obese



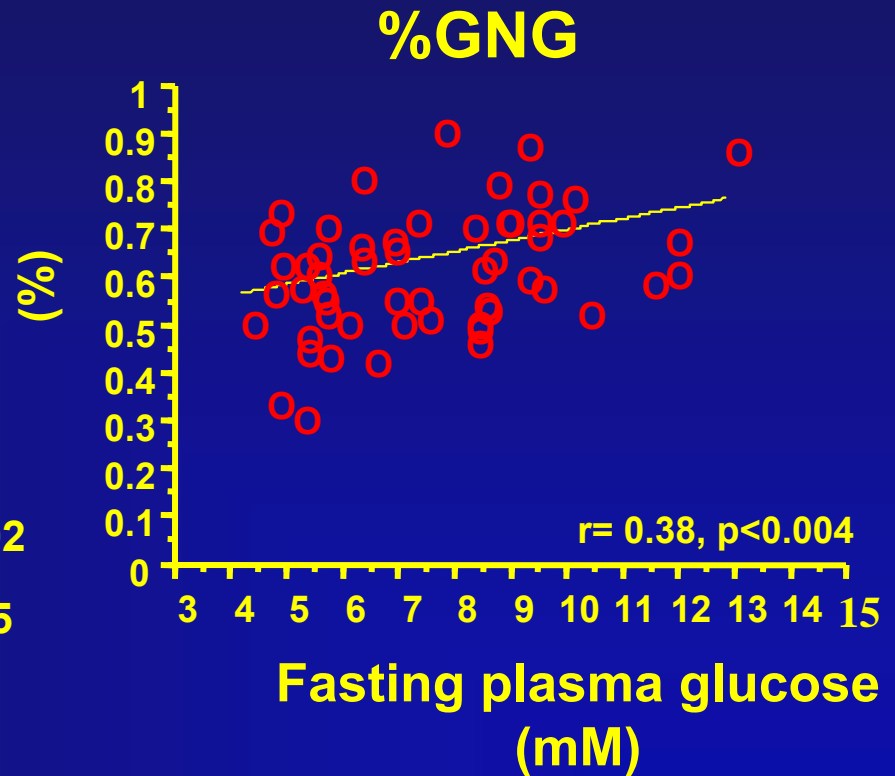
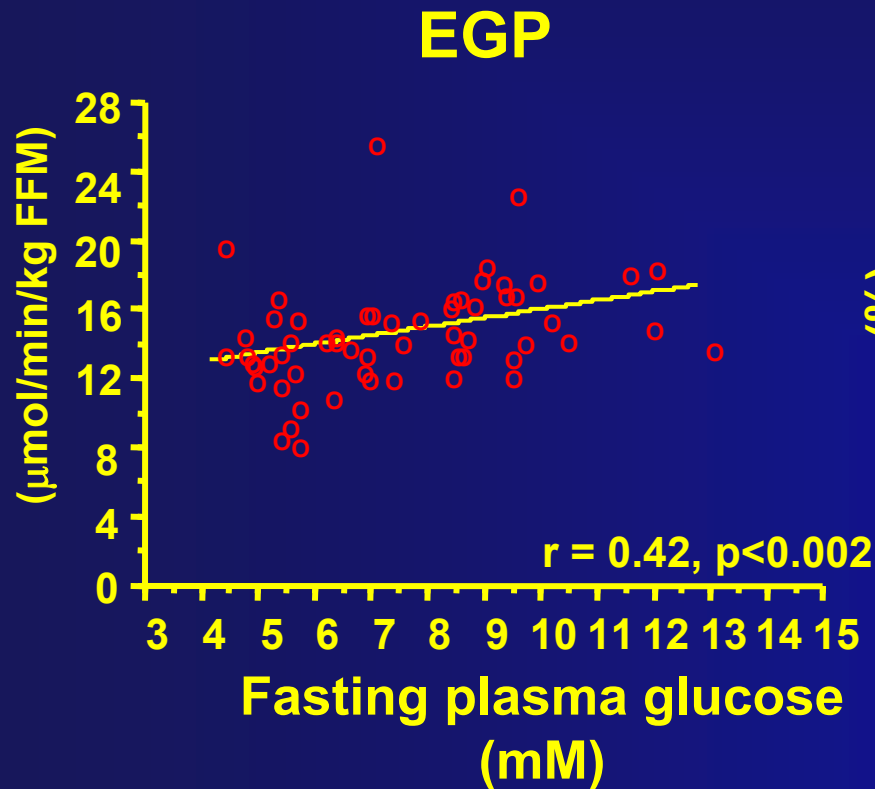
INSULIN-MEDIATED GLUCOSE UPTAKE IS REDUCED IN T2DM



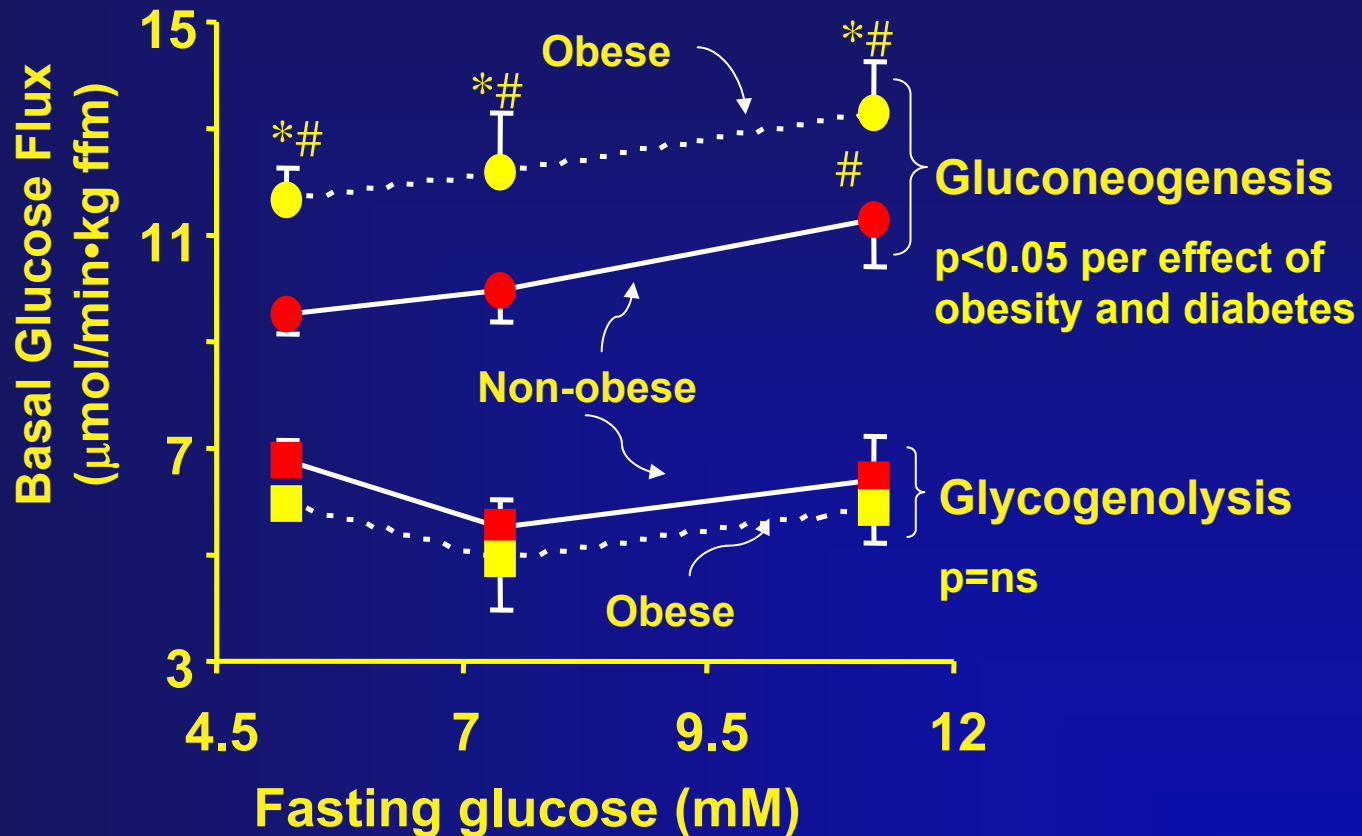
Hepatic glucose production =Gluconeogenesis+Glycogenolysis

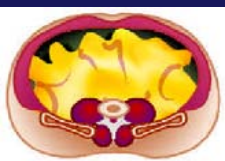


Fasting plasma glucose concentration is increased proportionally to % GNG and EGP

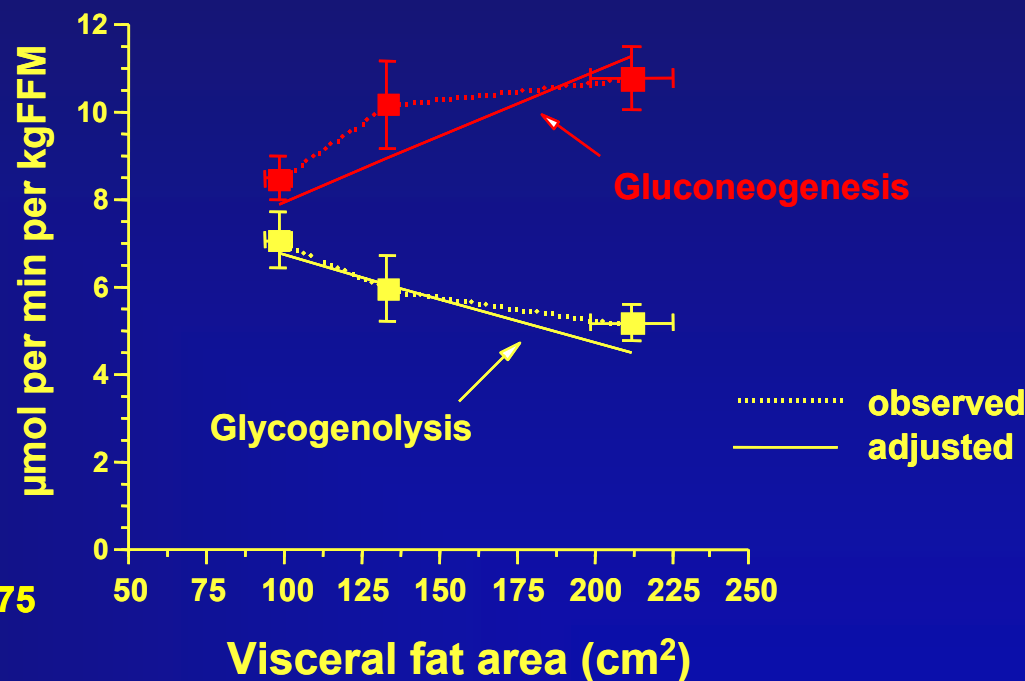
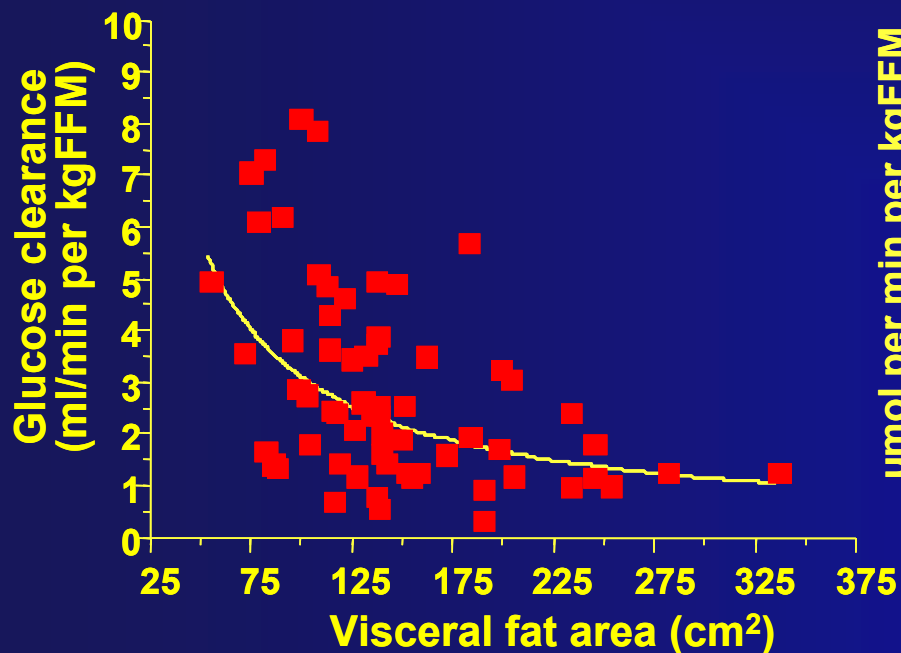


Components of fasting glucose production in CT e T2DM subjects stratified by FPG and obesity



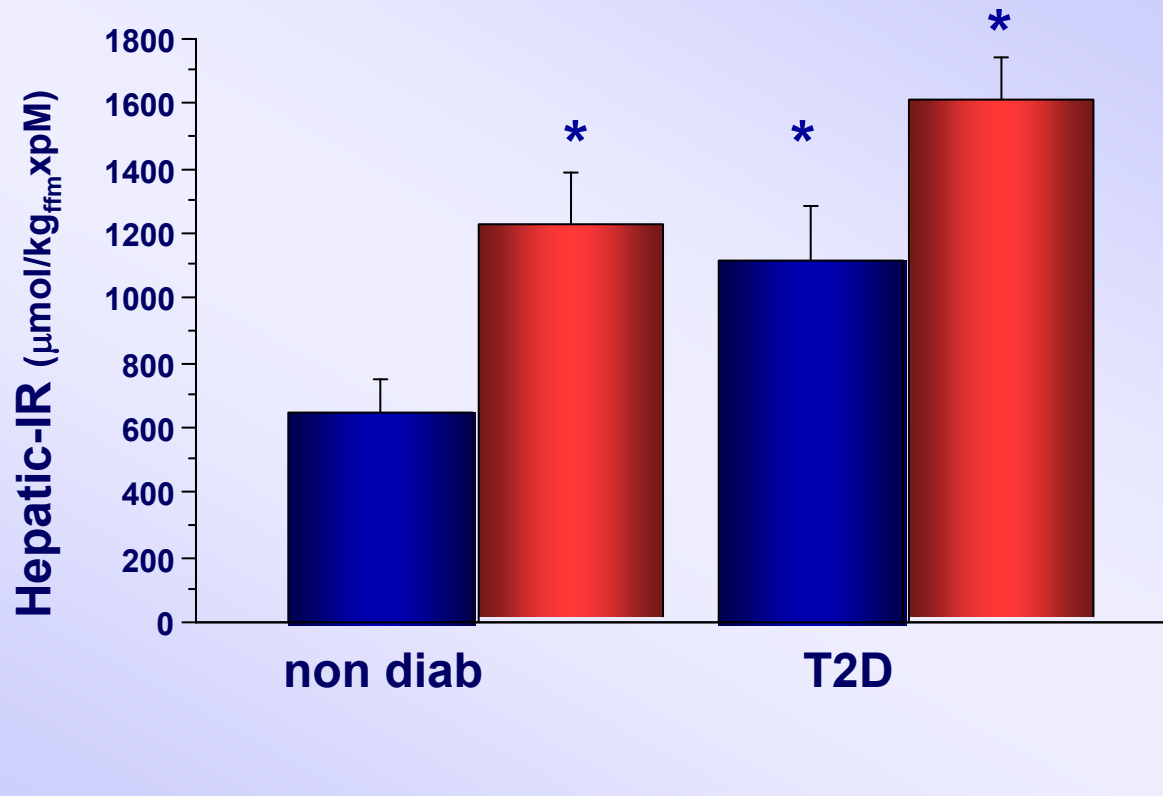


Effect of visceral fat accumulation on glucose clearance and glucose production in T2DM subjects



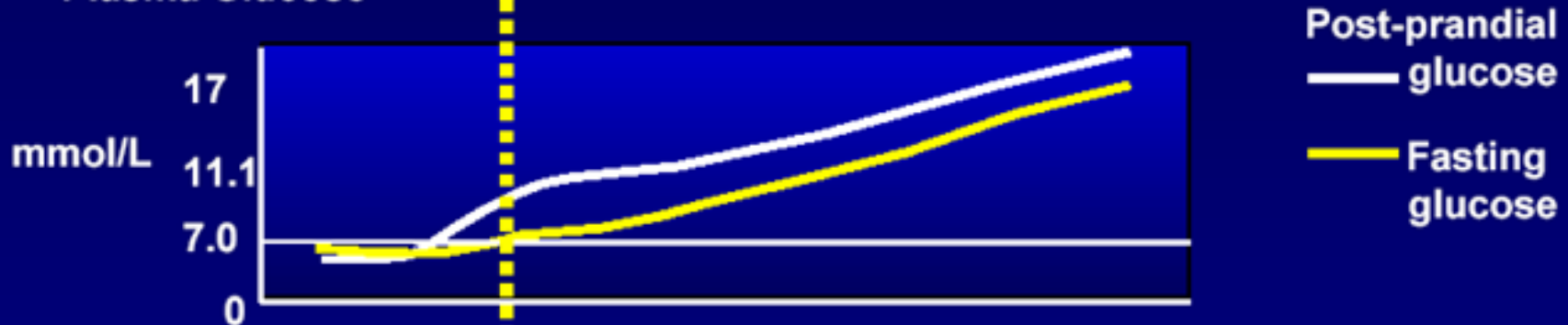


Fasting hepatic insulin resistance in T2DM with fatty liver disease



Postprandial glucose deteriorates before fasting glucose.

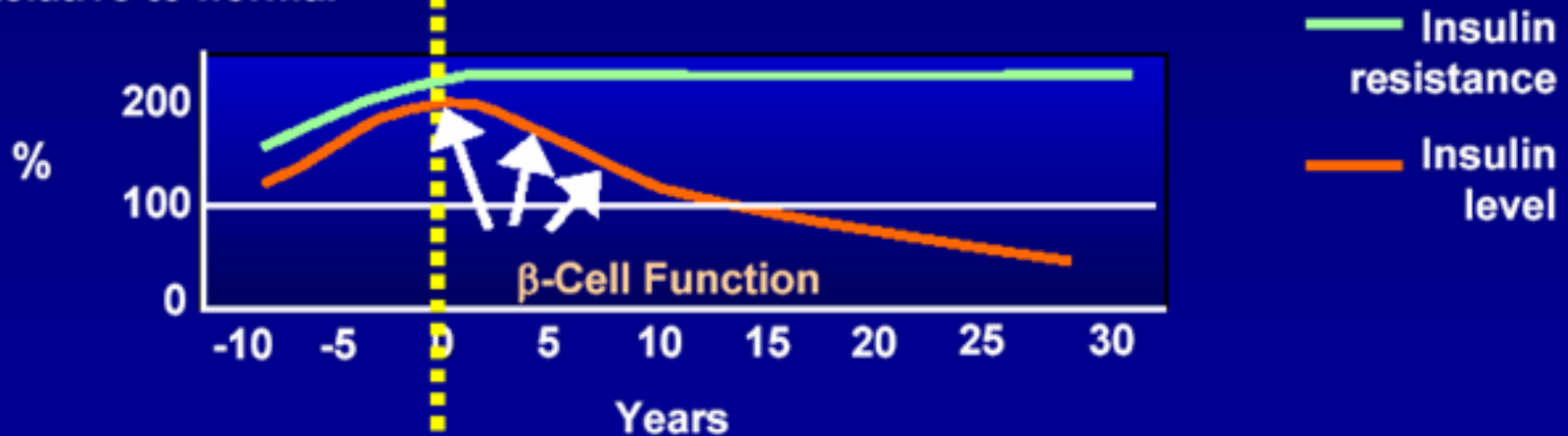
Plasma Glucose



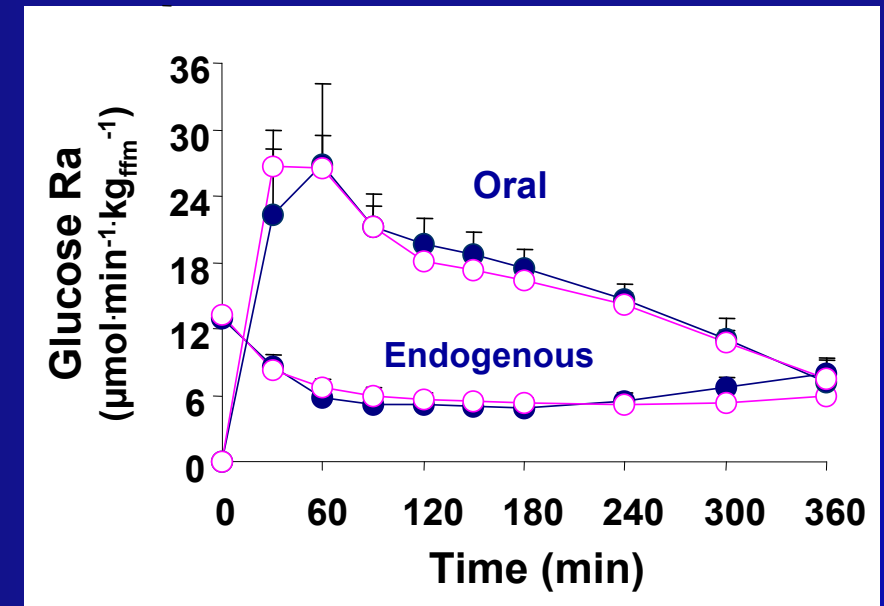
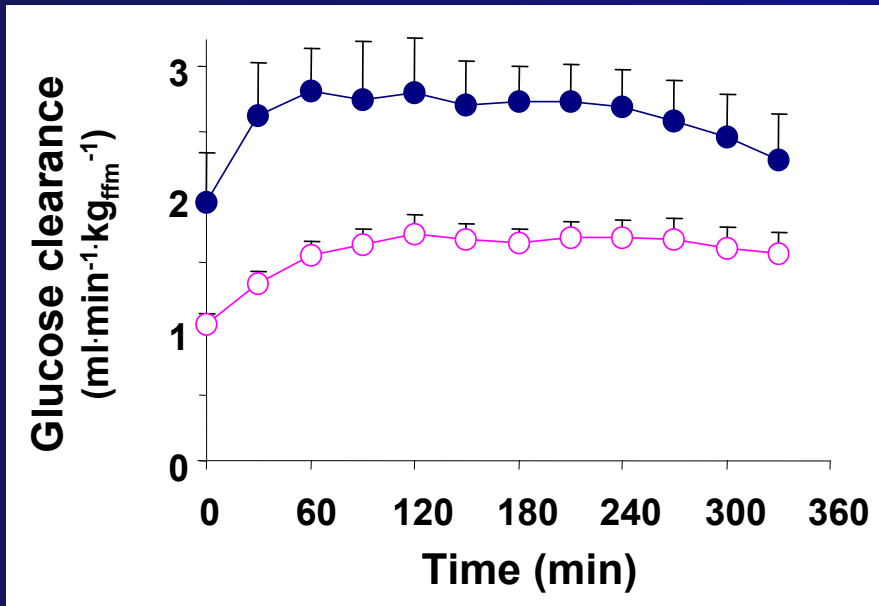
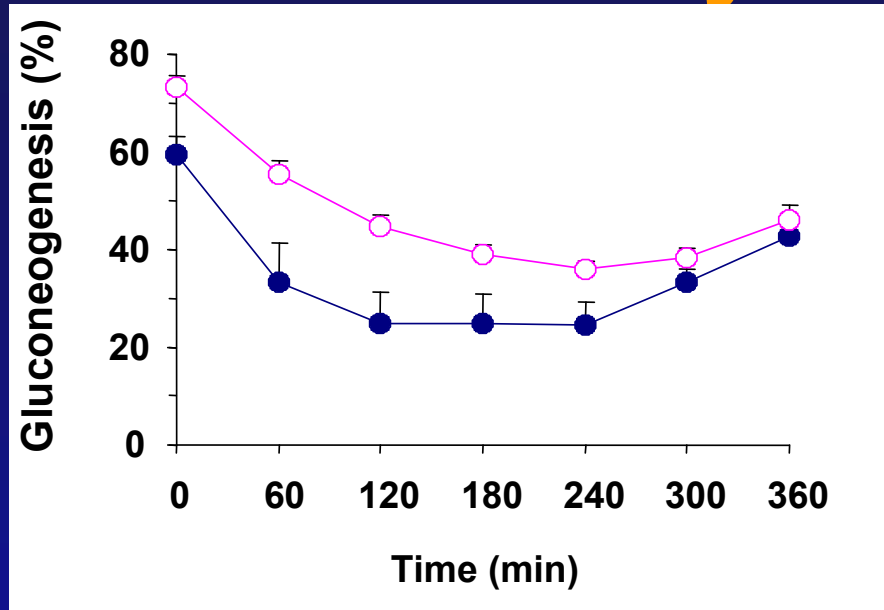
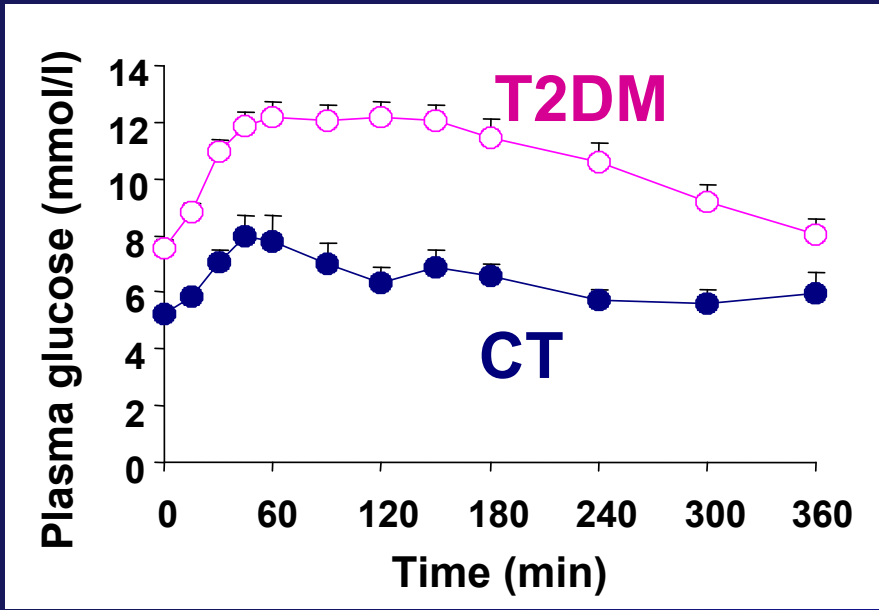
At risk for diabetes

β -cell dysfunction

Relative to normal

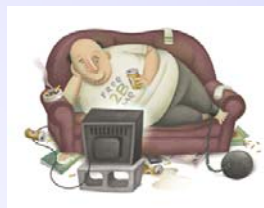


Mixed meal insulin sensitivity





High fat diet



Obesity



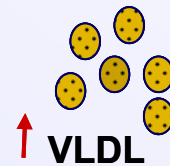
Visceral Obesity

Insulin resistance ↑ **FFA**

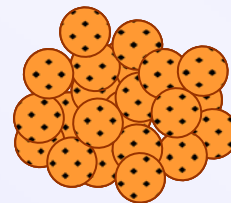
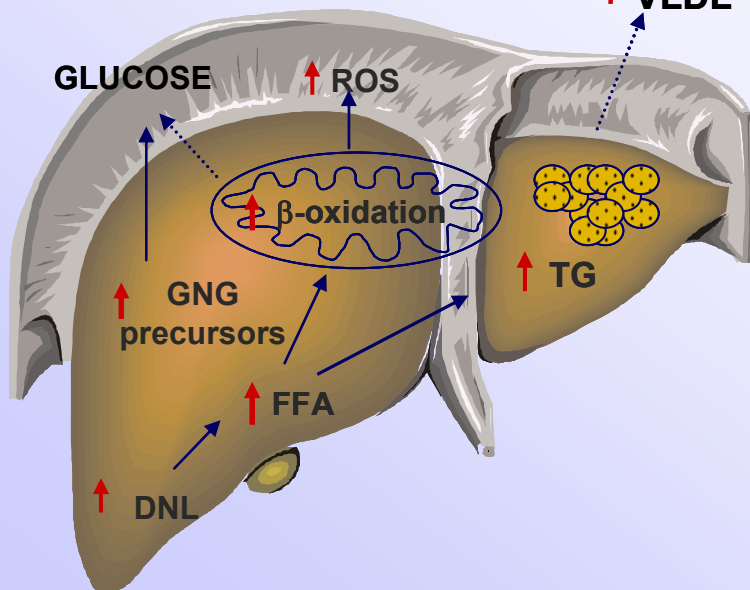
Decreased insulin clearance
Increased Hepatic IR,
GNG and VLDL secretion

Increased lipolysis

Decreased glucose uptake

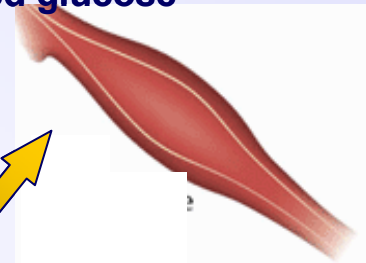


↑ **VLDL**



FFA

↑ **FFA, glycerol, GNG precursor**
↓ **Adiponectin**
↑ **Insulin**



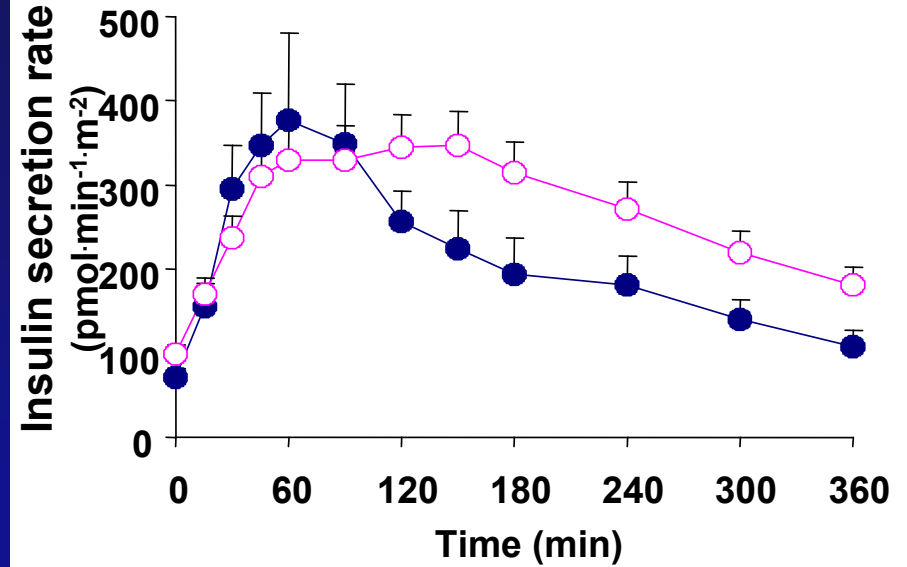
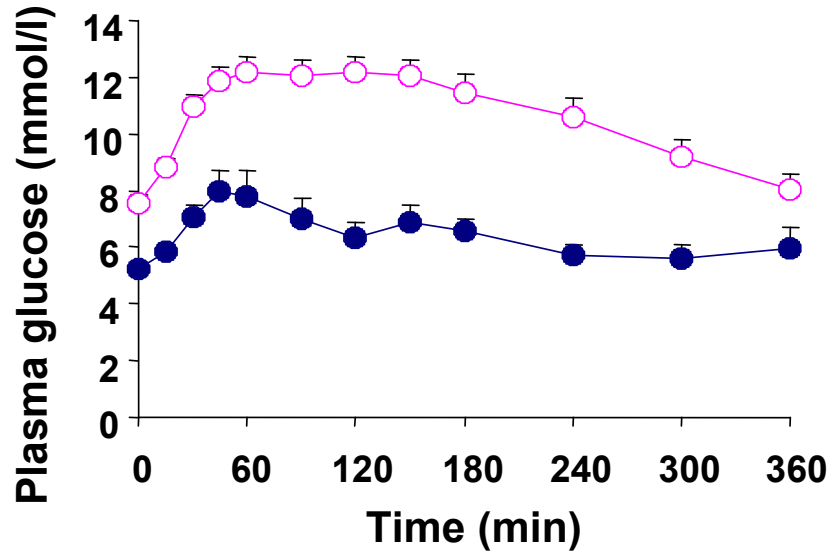
↑ **INSULIN**

Pathogenesis of Diabetes

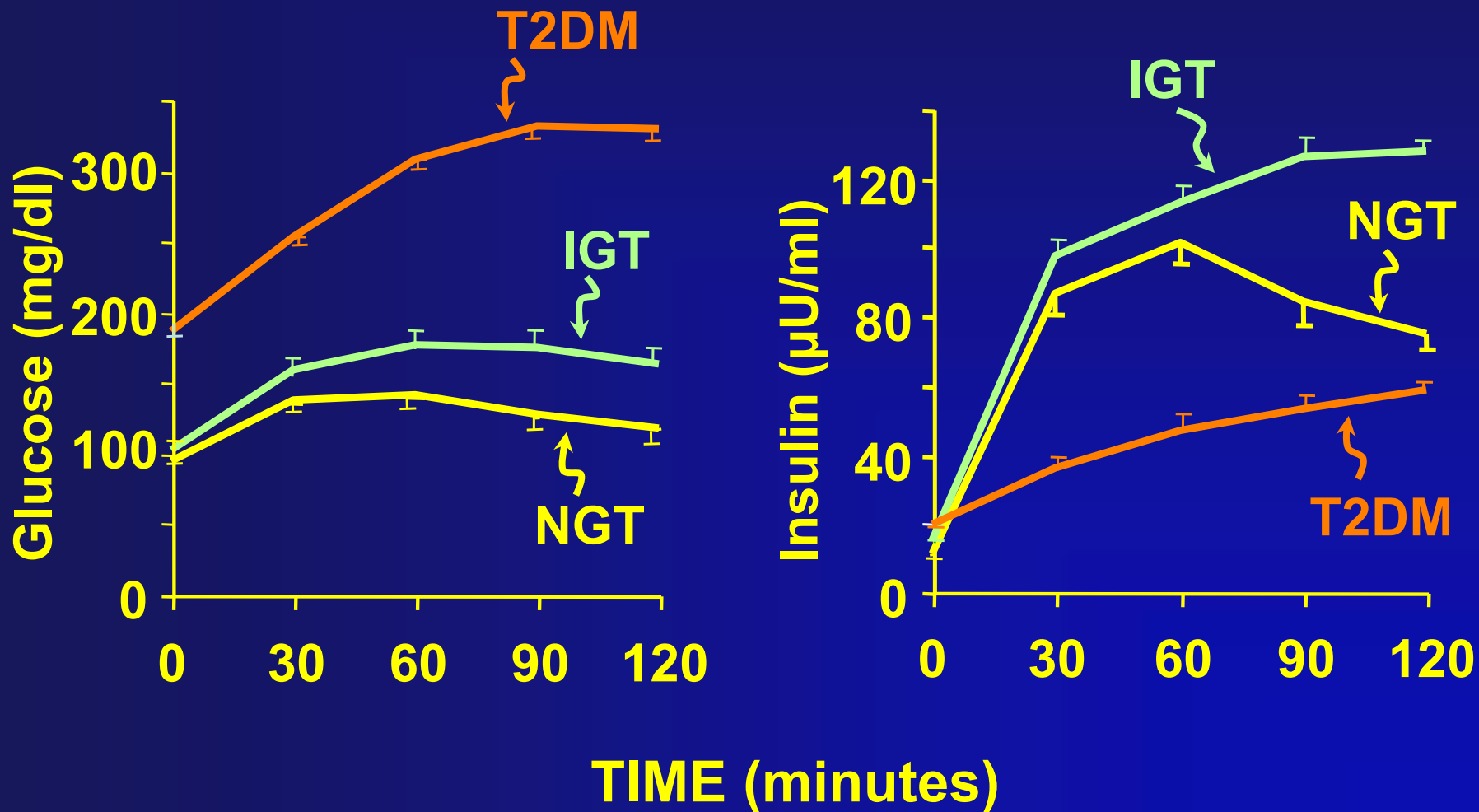
➤ Role of insulin resistance

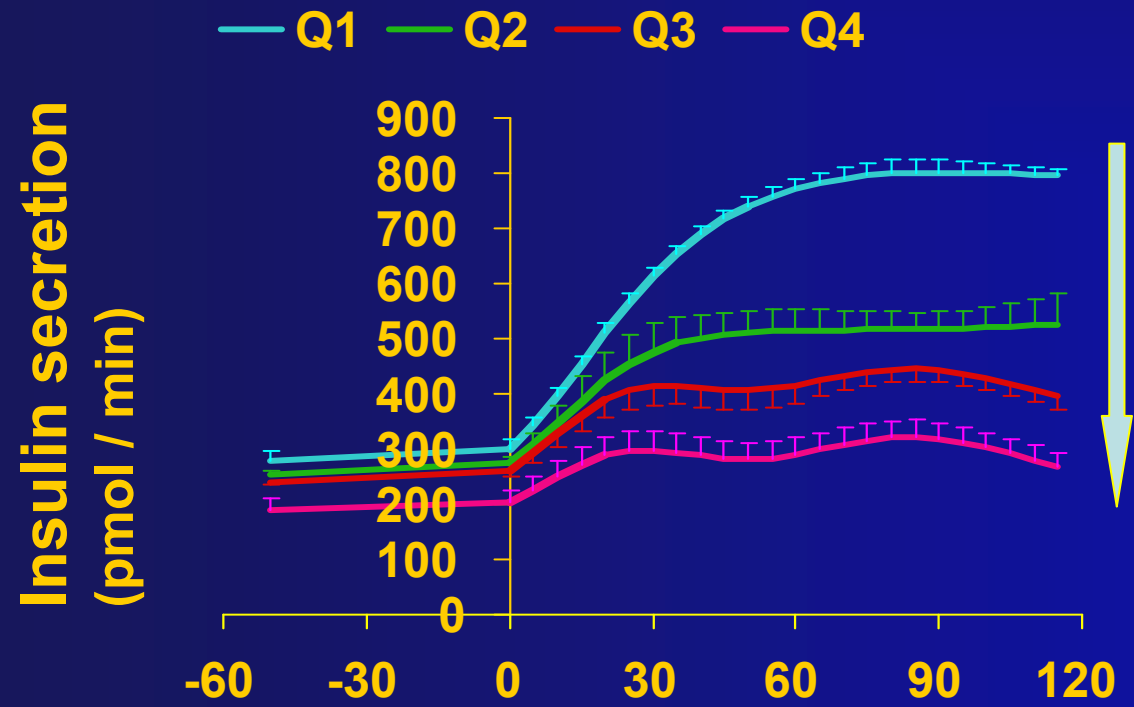
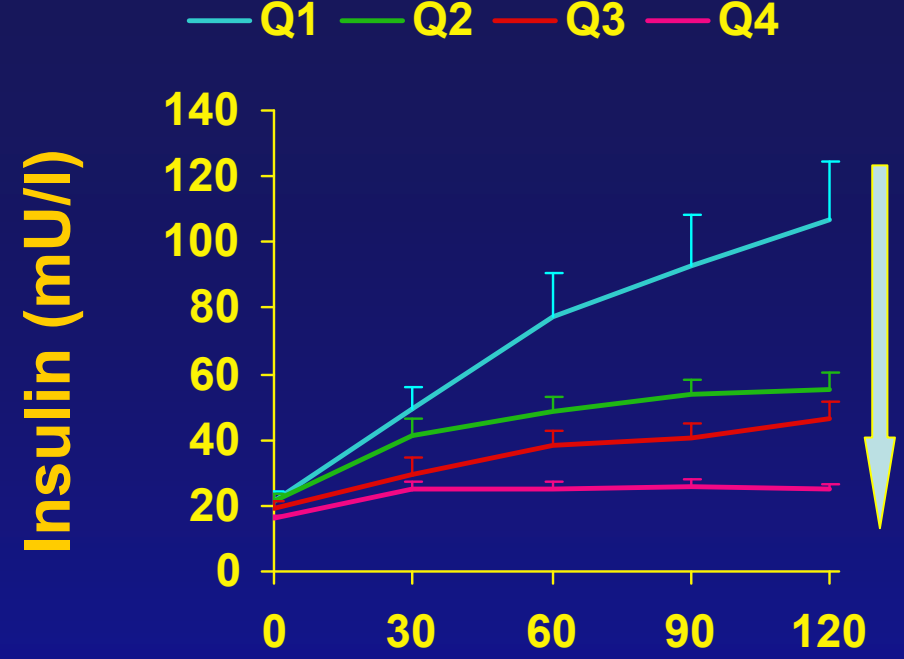
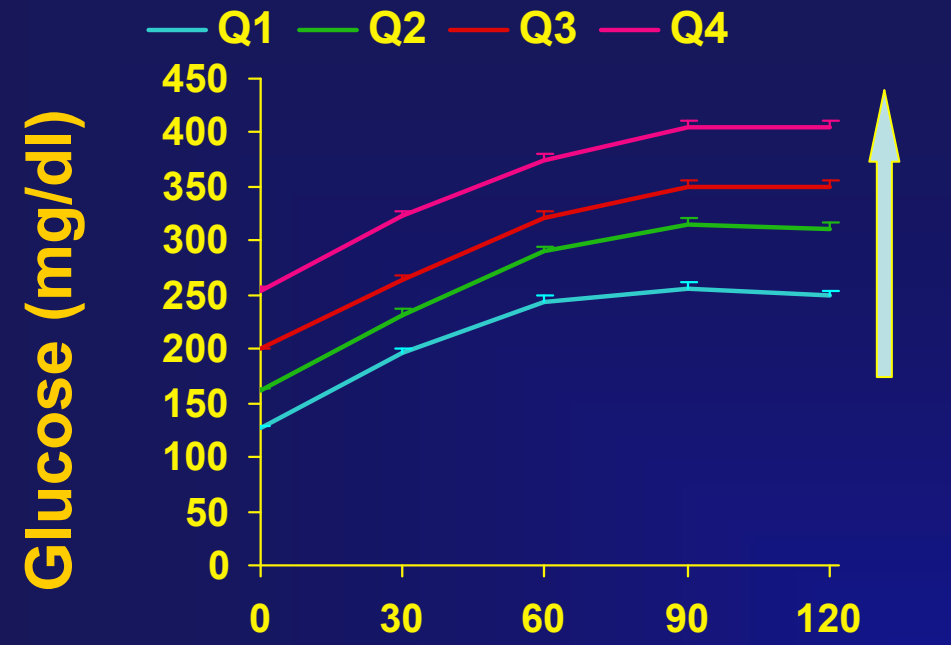
➤ Role of insulin secretion/beta cell

Mixed meal insulin secretion



PLASMA GLUCOSE and INSULIN RESPONSE DURING OGTT

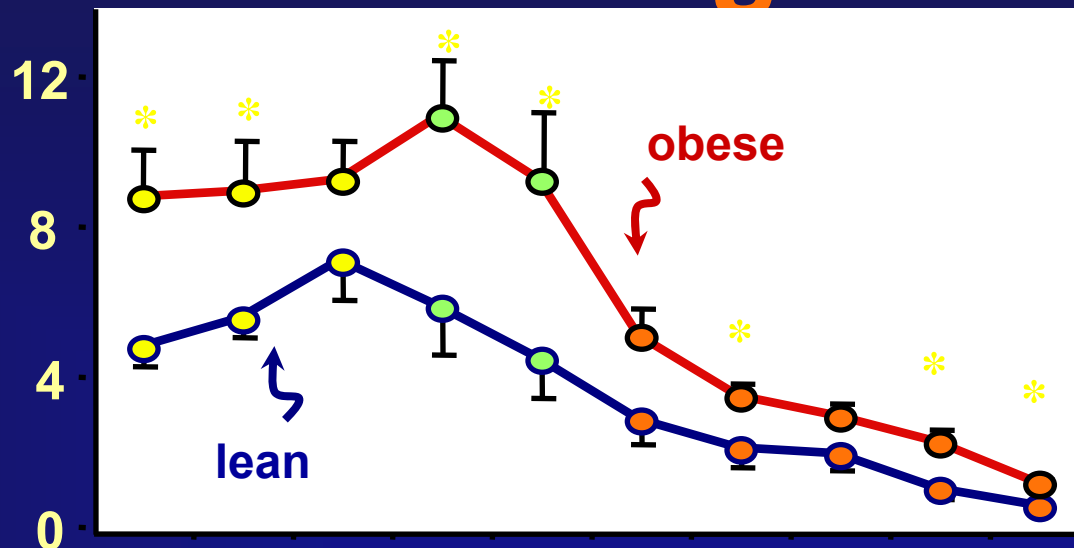




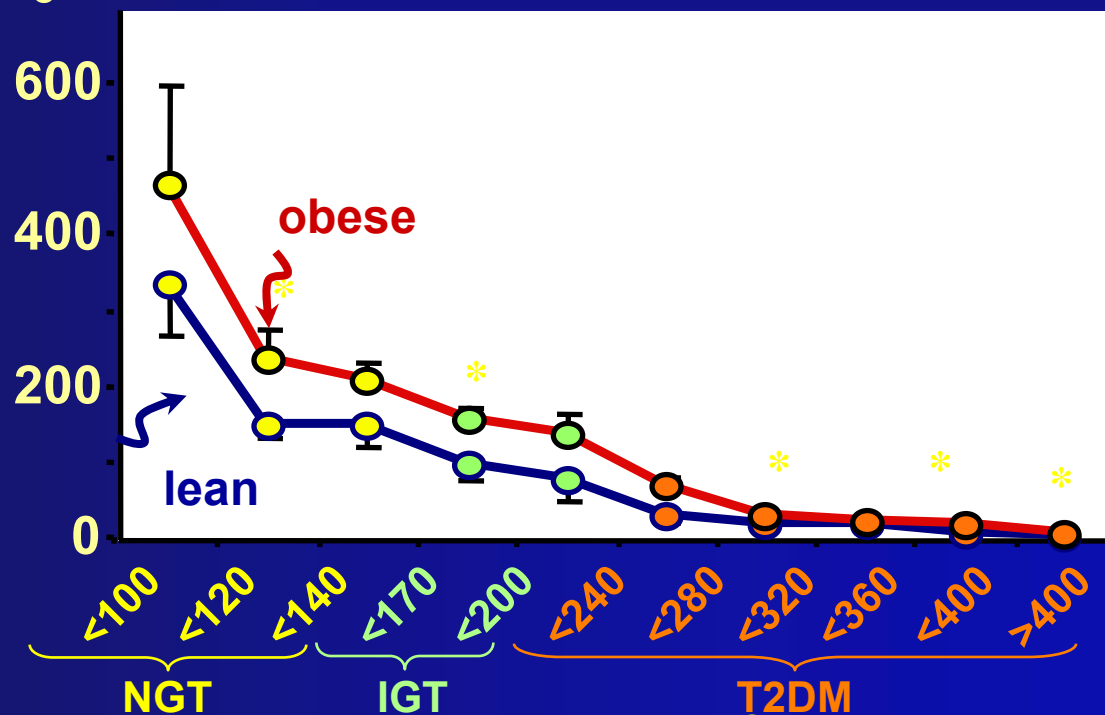
Q1 FPG < 146 mg/dl
Q2 FPG < 178 mg/dl
Q3 FPG < 225 mg/dl
Q4 FPG > 225 mg/dl

β -cell function during OGTT

ΔI 0-120 min
(mU/ml \cdot 120min)



$\Delta I/\Delta G$ 0-120 min
(mU/mg)

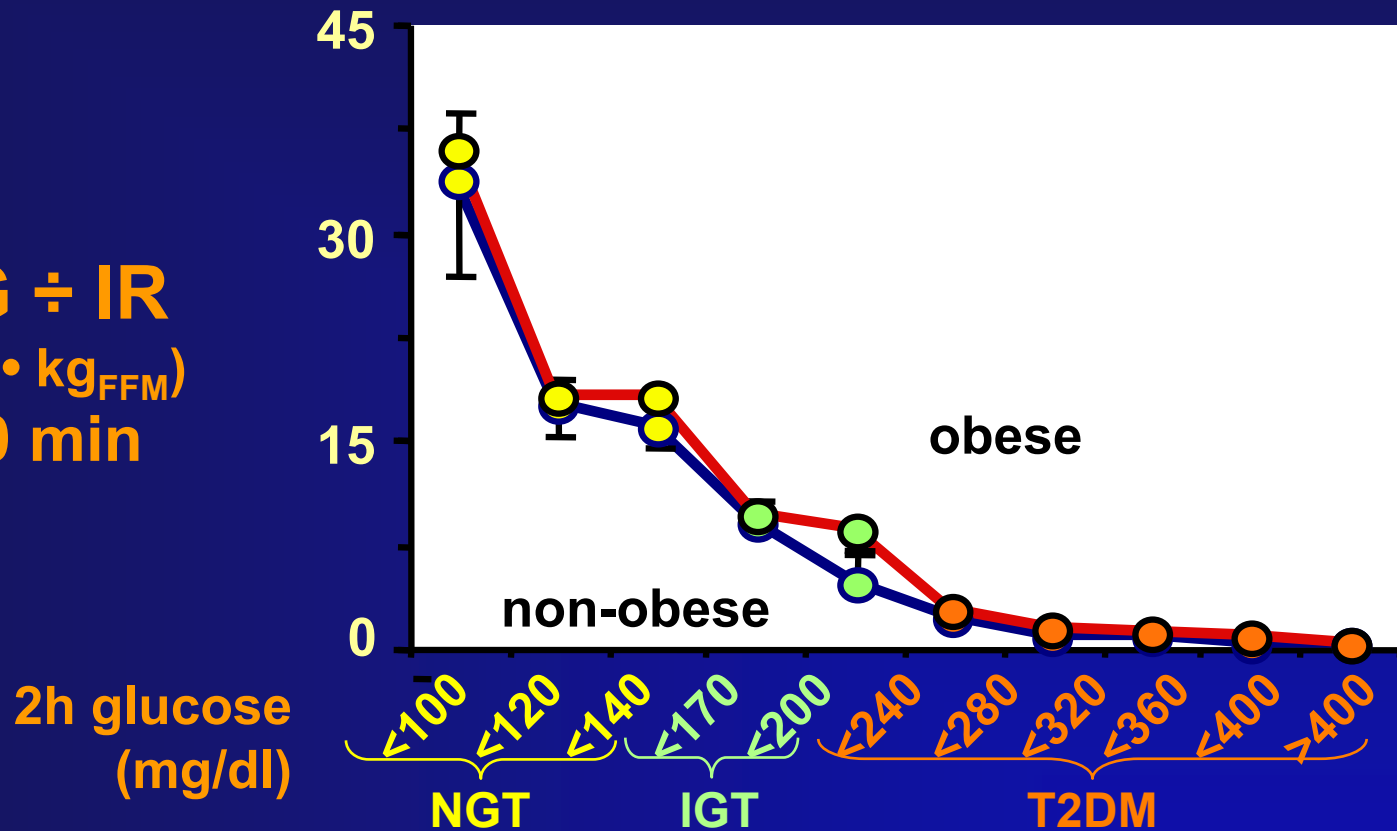


2h-glucose
(mg/dl)

<100 <120 <140 <170 <200 <240 <280 <320 <360 <400 >400
NGT IGT T2DM

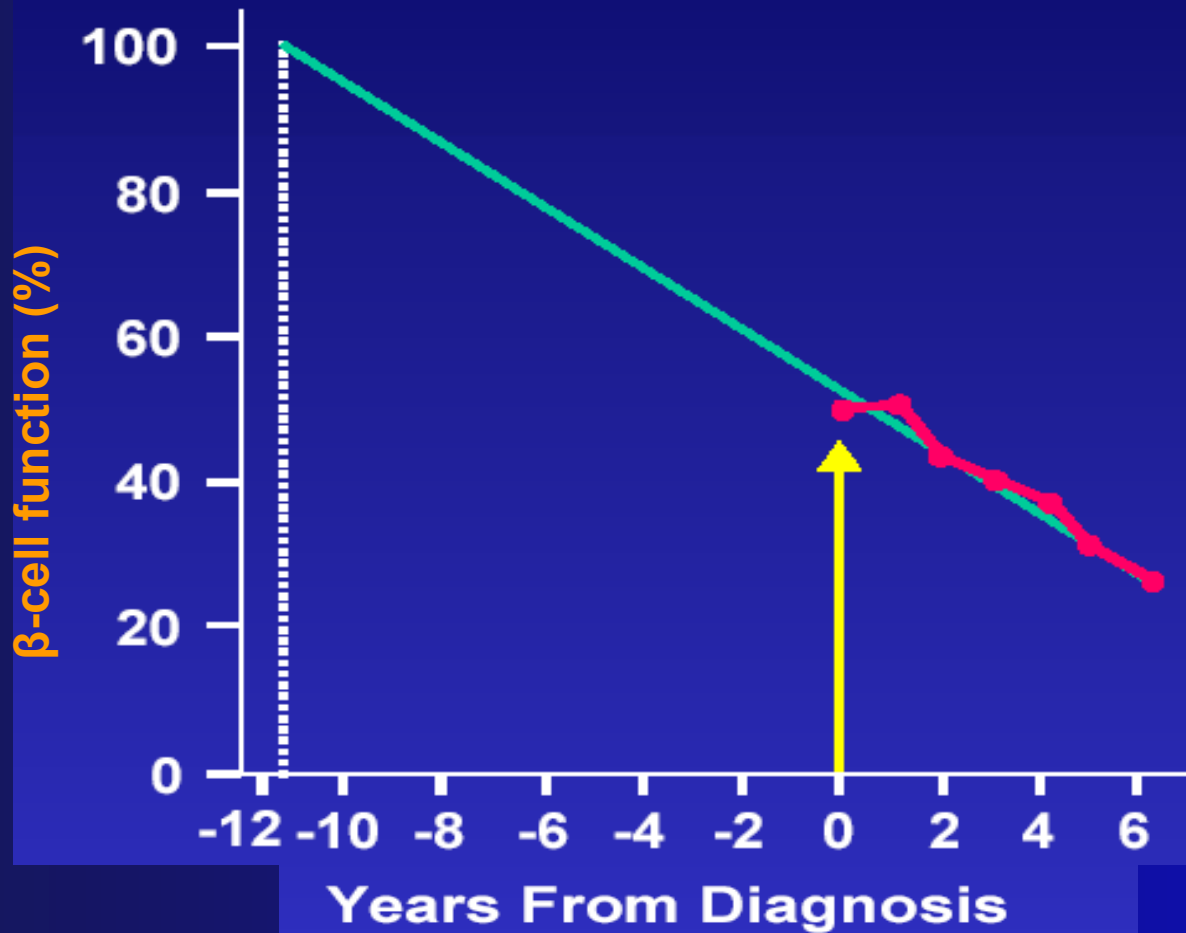
Ins Secretion ÷ Ins Resistance index

$\Delta I / \Delta G \div IR$
(ml/min • kg_{FFM})
0-120 min

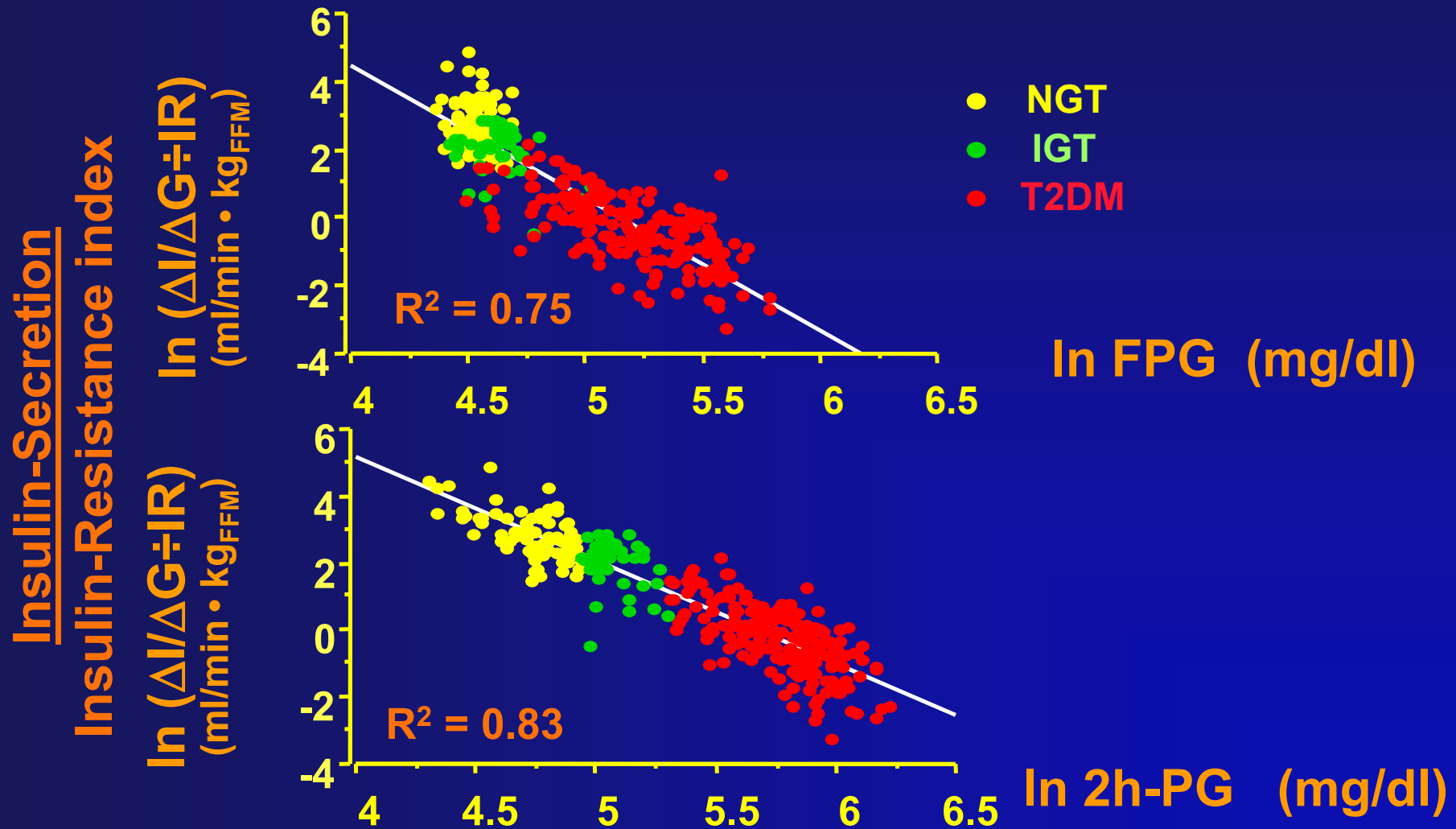


At the stage of IGT, individuals have lost over 80% of their beta cell function

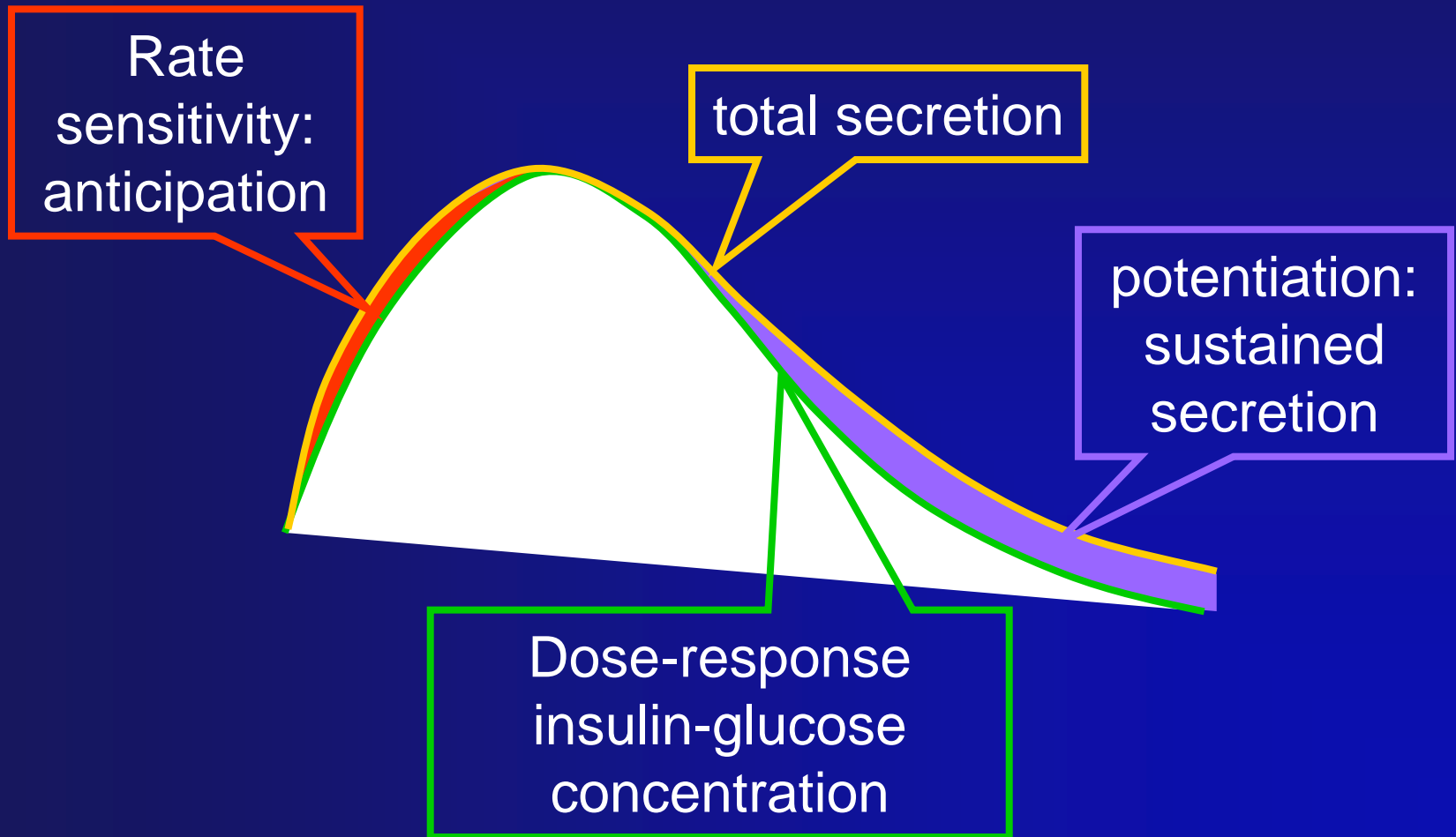
β -cell function in the UKPDS



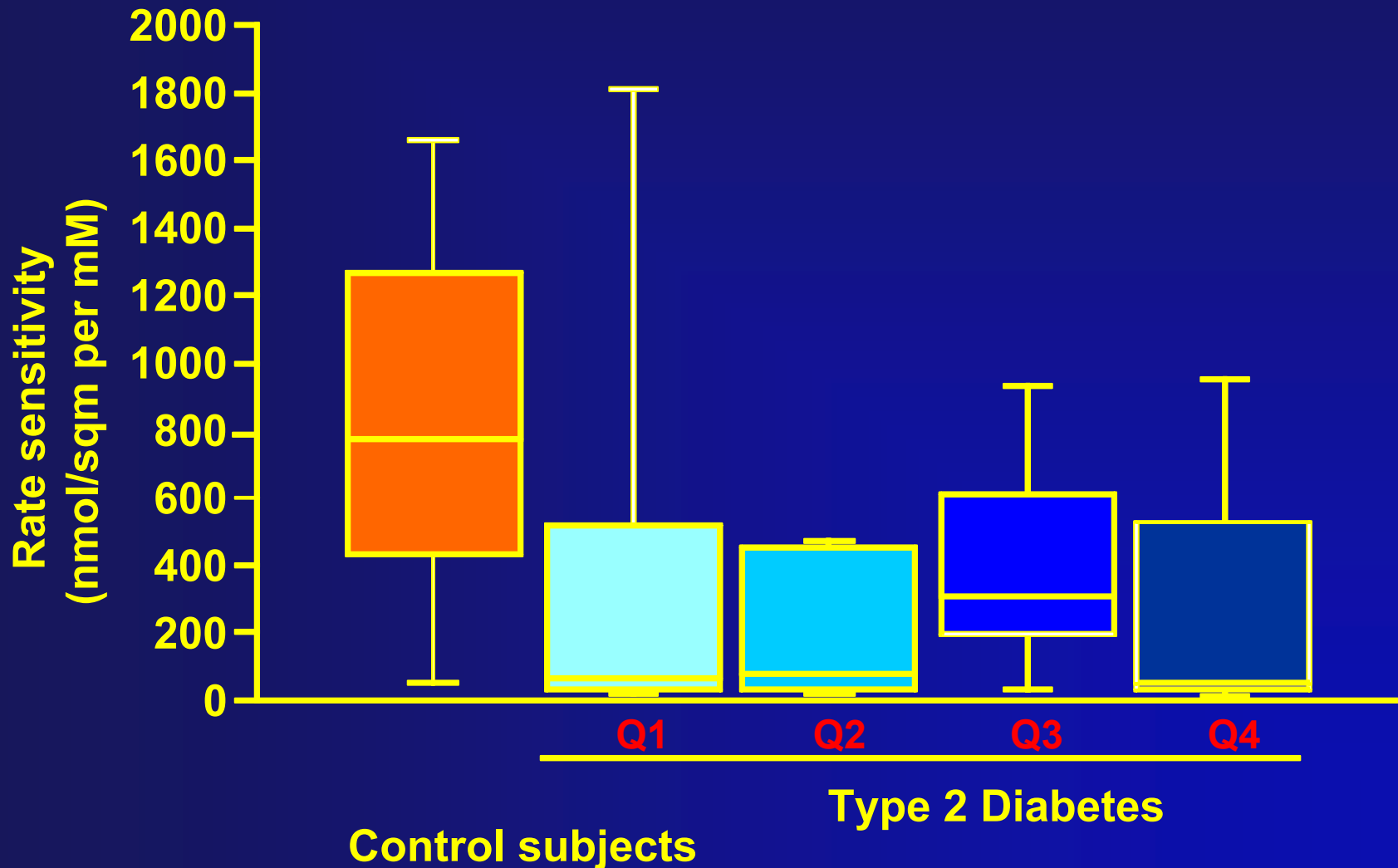
Log normalization of the relationship between the Insulin-Secretion/Insulin-Resistance index and plasma glucose



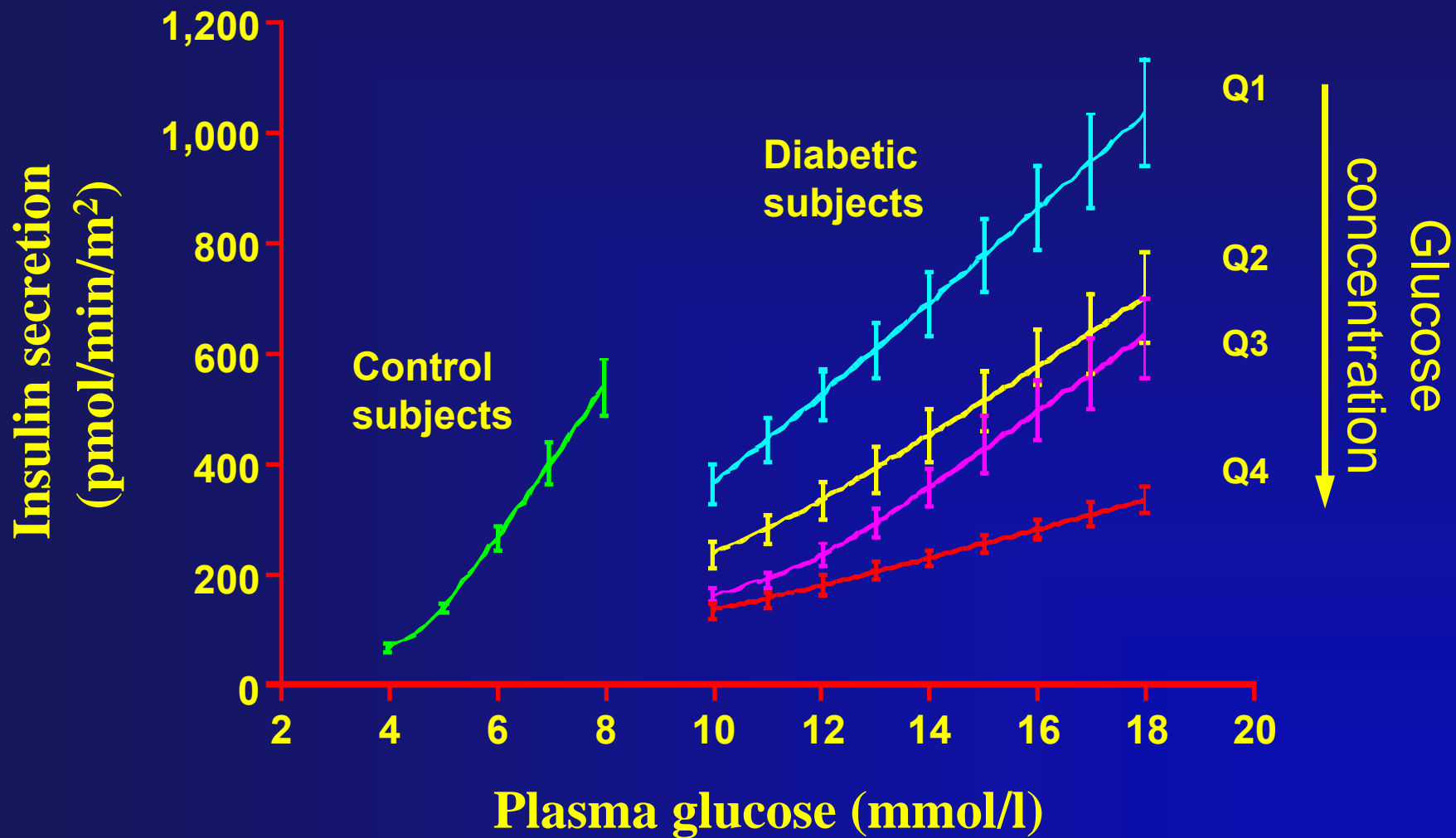
β -cell model: insulin secretion characteristics in response to a meal



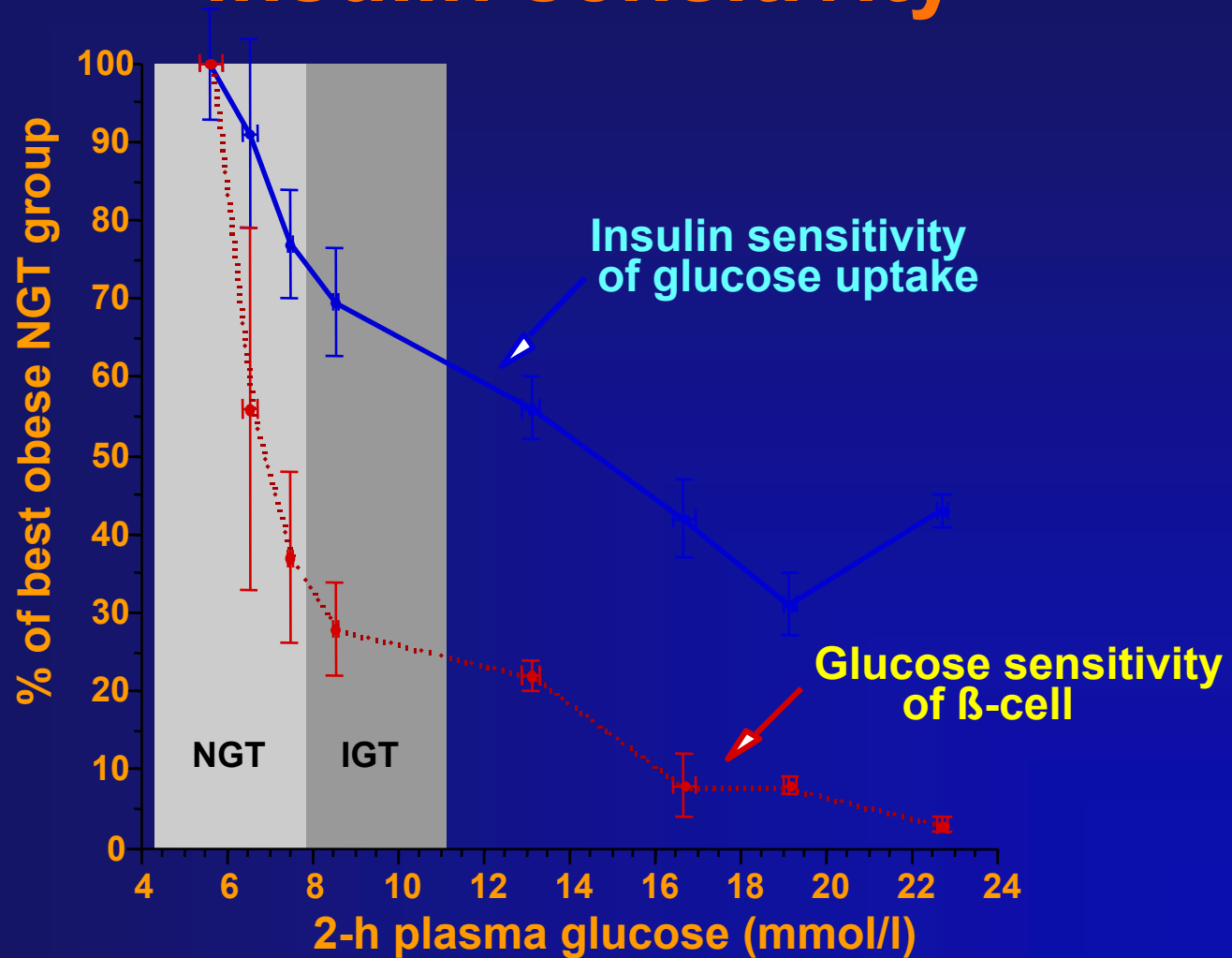
Rate sensitivity by quartile of fasting hyperglycemia



Dose-response for glucose-stimulated insulin secretion by quartile of fasting hyperglycemia



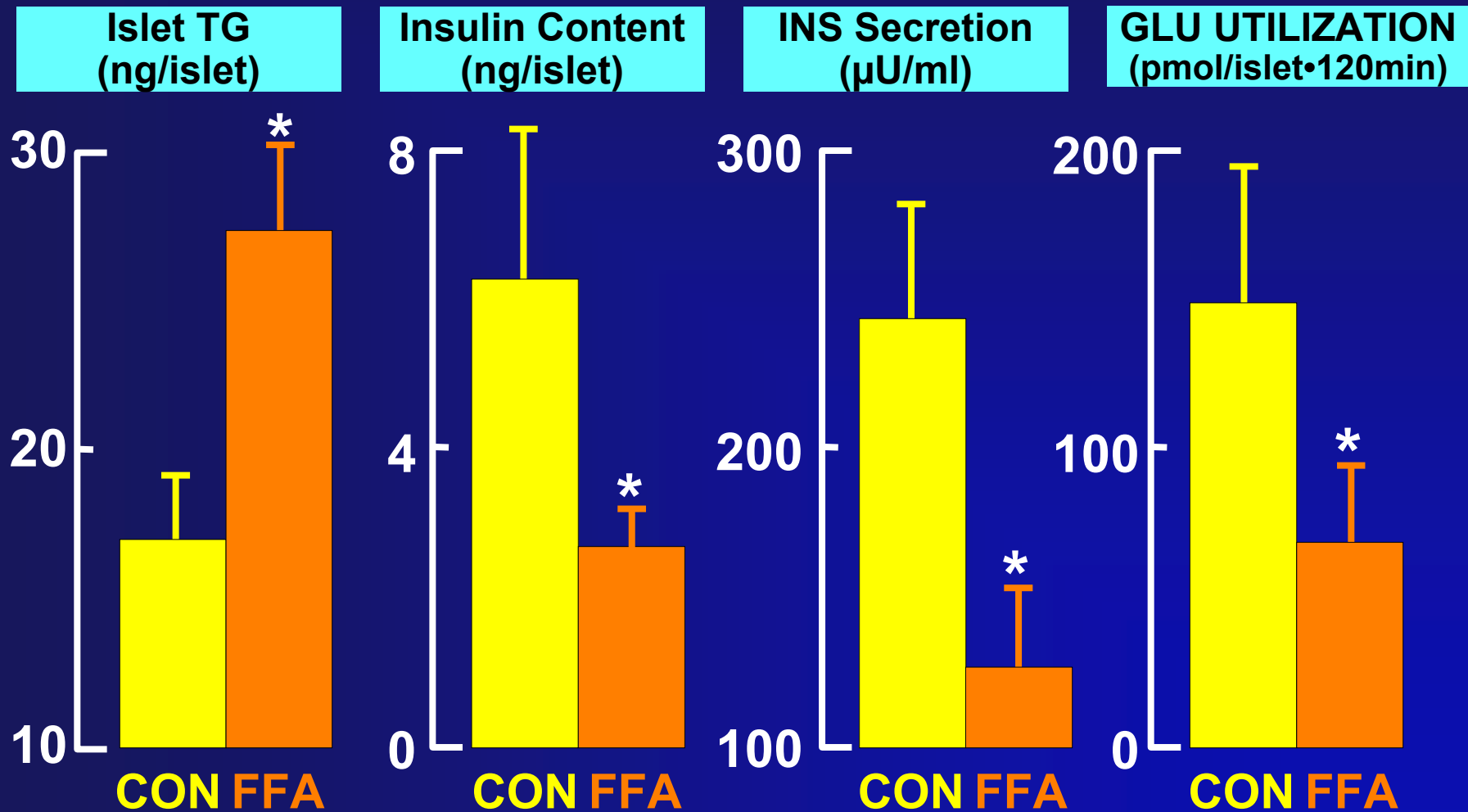
glucose sensitivity and insulin sensitivity



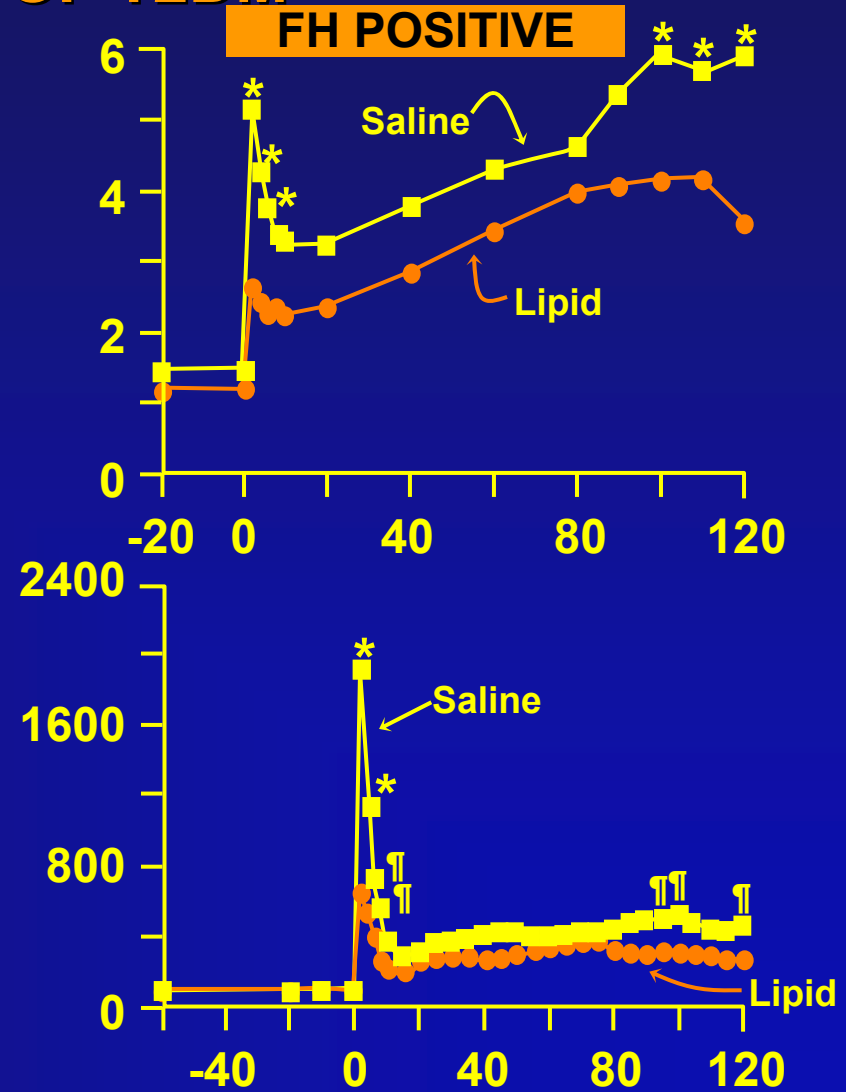
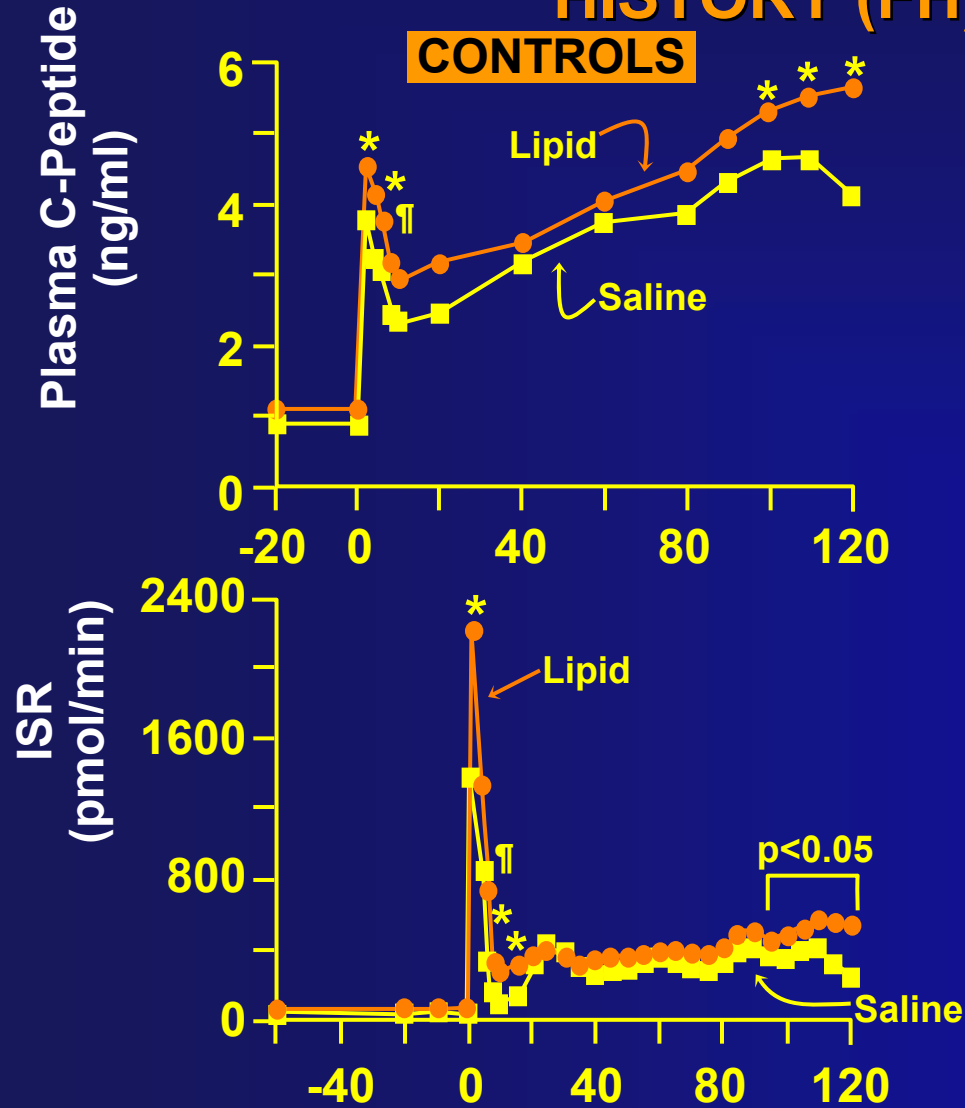
FFA AND INSULIN SECRETION

- In humans, increased plasma FFA levels enhance basal and glucose-stimulated insulin secretion after 2-4 h and 24 h of lipid infusion
- In rats,
 - increased plasma FFA levels in vivo and in vitro acutely (3-6 h) stimulate basal and glucose stimulated insulin secretion;
 - after 48 h, the insulin stimulatory effect of FFA is lost
 - islet triglyceride accumulation precedes deterioration of insulin secretion and overt diabetes

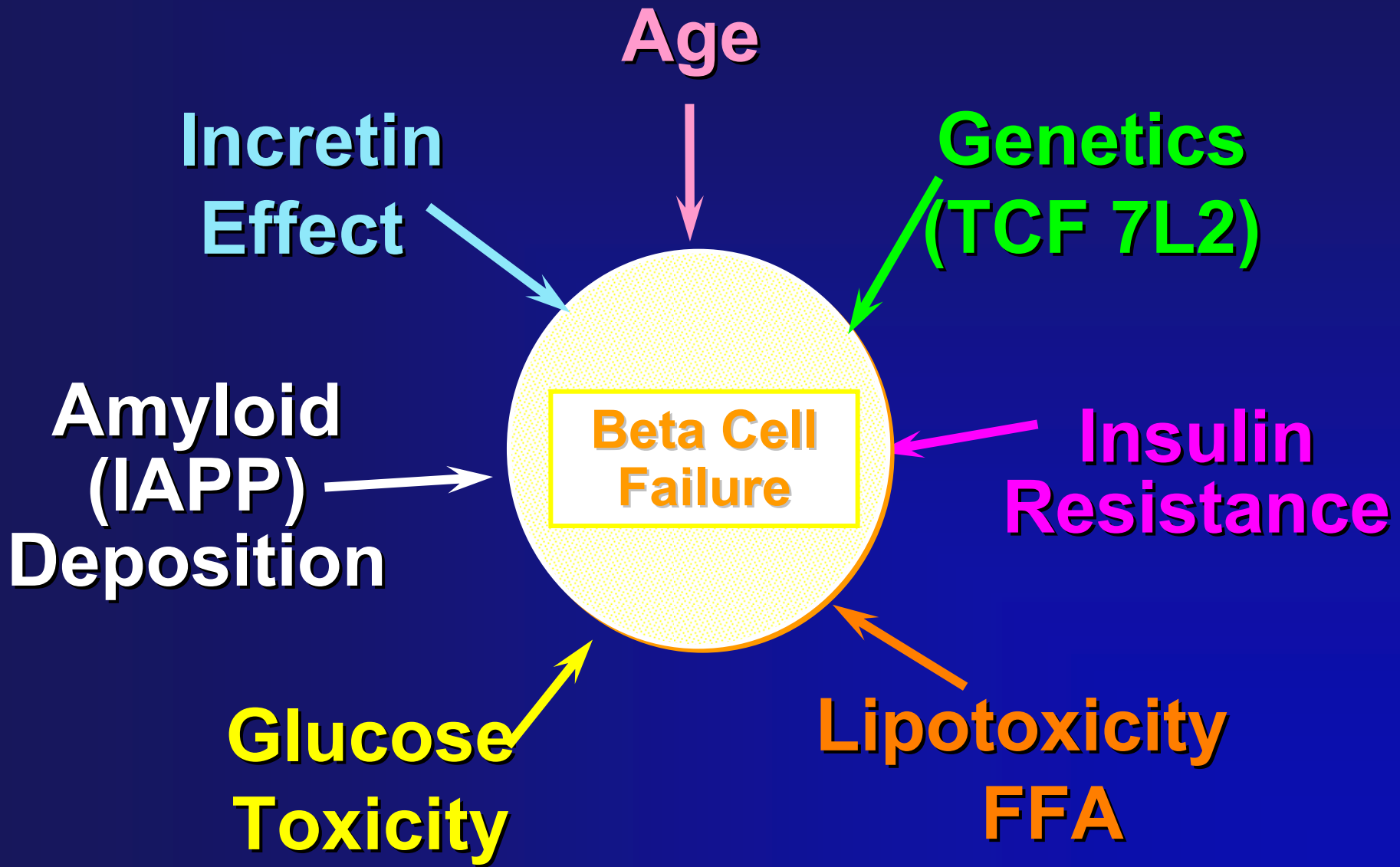
EFFECT OF INCUBATION (48 HOURS) OF HUMAN ISLETS WITH FREE FATTY ACIDS (OLEATE + PALMITATE)



EFFECT OF LIPID INFUSION (48 HOURS) ON PLASMA C-PEPTIDE RESPONSE AND INSULIN SECRETORY RATE (ISR) IN SUBJECTS WITH AND WITHOUT A STRONG FAMILY HISTORY (FH) OF T2DM



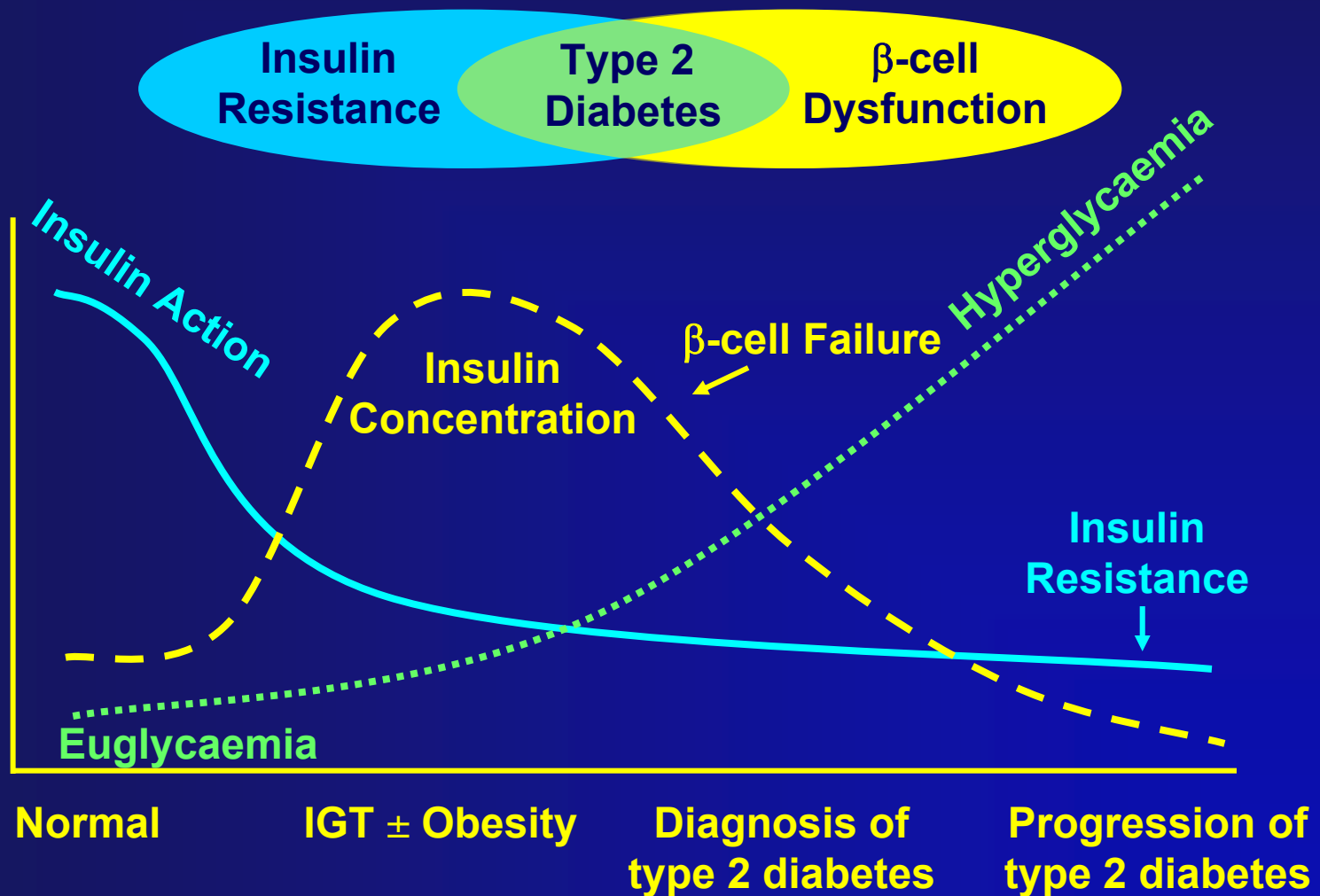
Etiology of β -cell failure in T2DM



Summary

- **Glucose intolerance and T2DM depend on hepatic and peripheral insulin resistance and impaired beta cell function**
- **At the stage of IGT, individuals have lost over 80% of their beta cell function**

Dual defect of type 2 diabetes: treating a moving target



Diabetes and Cardiovascular Risk



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