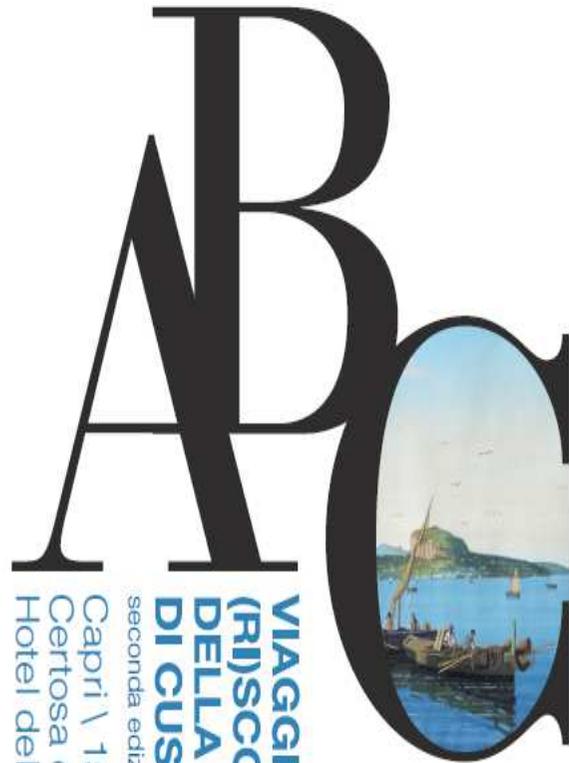


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# Il Diabete da Glucocorticoidi: Che Tipo di diabete è?



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# Classificazione eziologica del diabete

## I. Diabete

- A. Immuni
- B. Idiopa

## II. Diabete

## III. Diabete

- A. Difett
- B. Difett
- C. Malat
- D. **Endo**
- Ipertiroid
- E. Malat
- tiazidici,
- F. Infezi
- G. Rare
- antirece
- H. Altre
- Turner,



ipotrofico,altri)  
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 li, ormoni tiroidei,  
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 ), Klinefelter,

## IV. Diabete mellito gestazionale

Tabella II. Criteri per la diagnosi di diabete.

	Glicemia a digiuno		Glicemia 2 <sup>a</sup> ora OGTT (OGTT = curva da carico 75 g di glucosio per os)
Normale	< 110*	e	< 140
IFG	110*-125	e	< 140
IGT	< 126	e	140-199
Diabete	≥ 126	o	≥ 200

*\*L'ADA (American Diabetes Association) ha proposto come valore normale glicemie inferiori a 100 mg/dl, quindi secondo l'ADA sono da considerarsi soggetti con alterata glicemia a digiuno (IFG) se la glicemia a digiuno è compresa tra 100 e 125 mg/dl. Questa classificazione al momento non è stata accettata dall'IDF (International Diabetes Federation) e dall'OMS che considerano validi i valori riportati in tabella.*

# Sindrome metabolica

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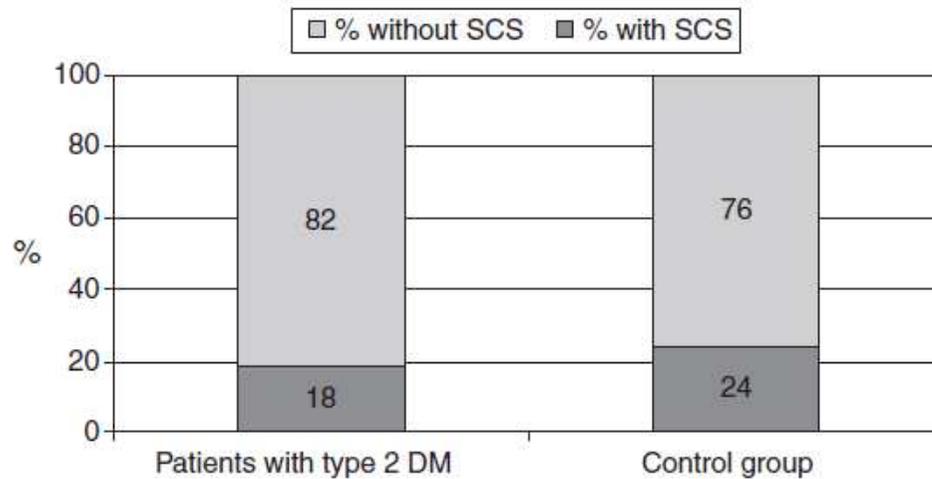
≥3 dei seguenti criteri

Obesità viscerale	Maschi: circonferenza vita ≥102 cm Femmine: circonferenza alla vita ≥88 cm
Trigliceridi	≥150 mg/dl
Colesterolo HDL	Maschi: <40 mg/dl Femmine: <50 mg/dl
Pressione arteriosa	≥130/85 mmHg
Glicemia a digiuno	≥110 mg/dl

# Prevalenza di sindrome di Cushing “subclinico” in pazienti affetti da DM2

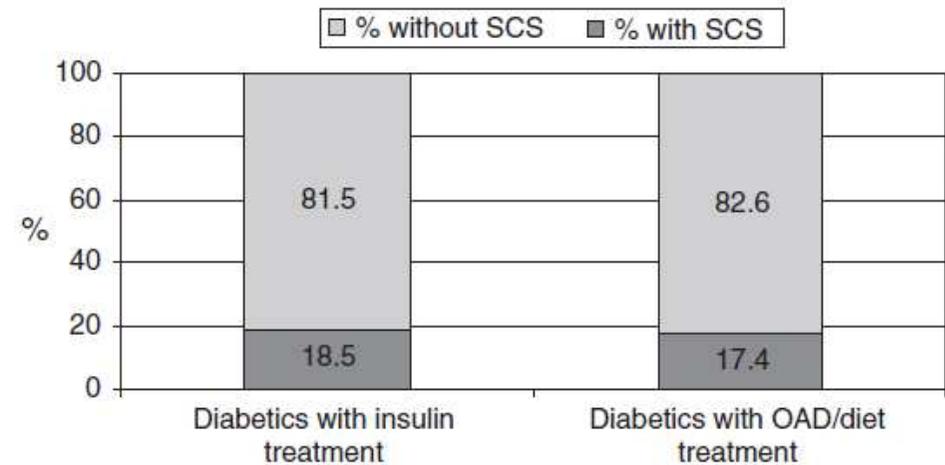
Autore-Anno	Numero (N)	Criteri di inclusione	Modalità di screening	Prevalenza di CS (%)
Chiodini, 2005	294	Età 30 aa alla diagnosi, BMI 19–49 kg/m <sup>2</sup> , ospedalizzati	1 mg overnight DST	9,4
Reimondo, 2007	100	Età >18, BMI >25 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	1 mg overnight DST	1
Newsome, 2008	171	Età 18–80 anni, BMI 25 kg/m <sup>2</sup> , T2DM 1 anno	1 mg overnight DST	0
Taniguchi, 2008	77	T2DM, ospedalizzati	Cortisolo salivare notturno	2,6
Murakami, 2010	90	Età >20 anni alla diagnosi, BMI 16–45 kg/m <sup>2</sup> , ospedalizzati, T2DM	1 mg overnight DST	8,9

# Prevalenza di sindrome di Cushing “subclinico” in pazienti affetti da DM2



**Fig. 1.** Subclinical Cushing's syndrome occurrence according to NIH criteria (serum cortisol after 1 mg DST > 138 nmol/l) in patients with type 2 DM and in control group ( $p=0.54$ )

**N. 50 vs 25**



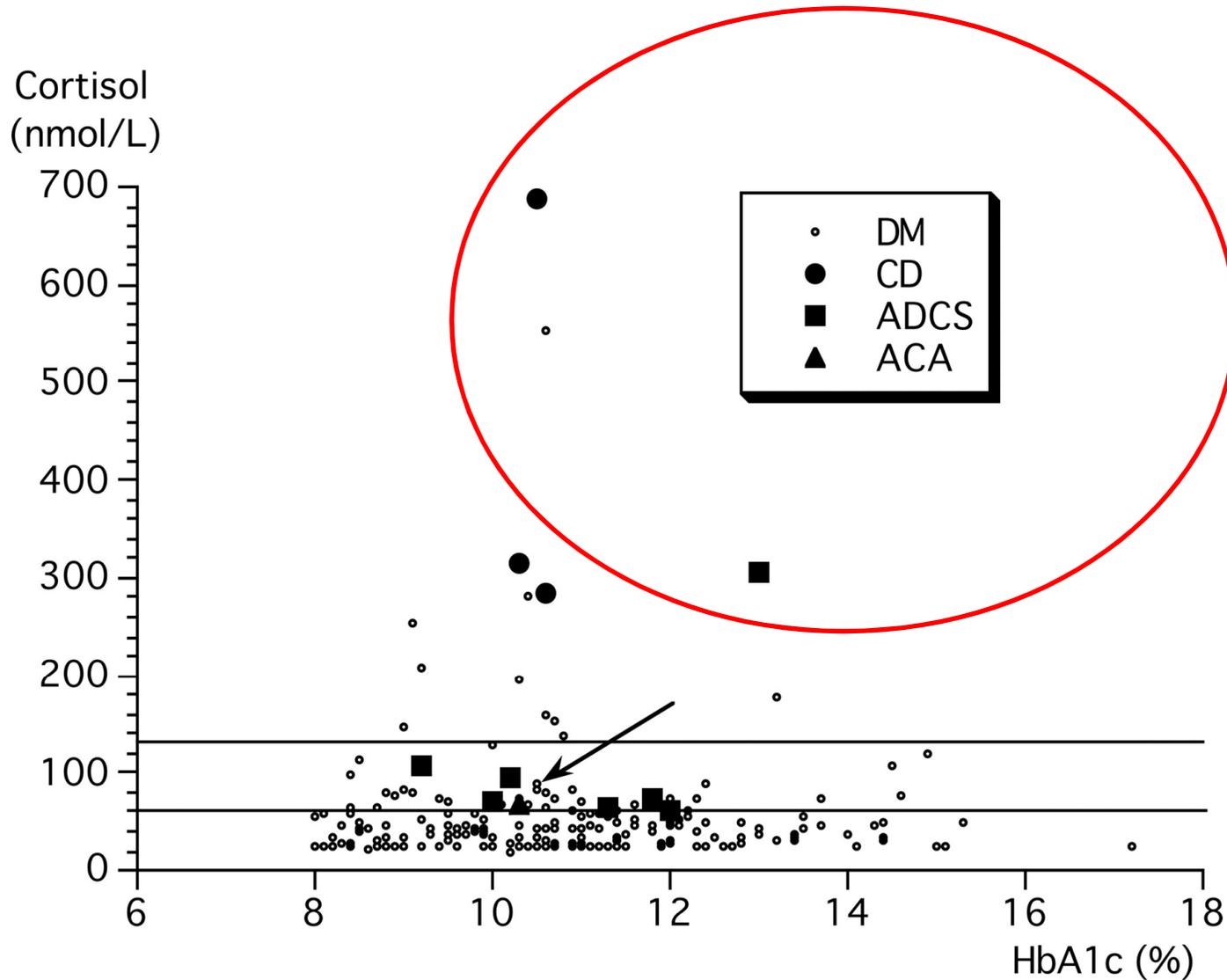
**Fig. 2.** Subclinical Cushing's syndrome occurrence according to NIH criteria (serum cortisol after 1 mg DST > 138 nmol/l) in patients with type 2 DM divided according to diabetes treatment (insulin vs. OAD/diet)

# Prevalenza di sindrome di Cushing “clinico” in pazienti affetti da DM2

Autore-Anno	Numero (N)	Criteri di inclusione	Modalità di screening	Prevalenza di CS (%)
Leibowitz, 1996	90	BMI 25 kg/m <sup>2</sup> , HbA1c 9%	1 mg overnight DST	3
Catargi, 2003	200	BMI 25 kg/m <sup>2</sup> , HbA1c 8%	1 mg overnight DST	2
Liu, 2005	141	DM2-BMI>30 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	Cortisolo salivare notturno	0
Mullan, 2010	201	BMI 25 kg/m <sup>2</sup> , HbA1c 7%, Ipertensione, Età 60 anni	Cortisolo salivare notturno	0

DST, Test di soppressione con desametasone;  
T2DM, diabete mellito di tipo 2; CS, Sindrome di Cushing

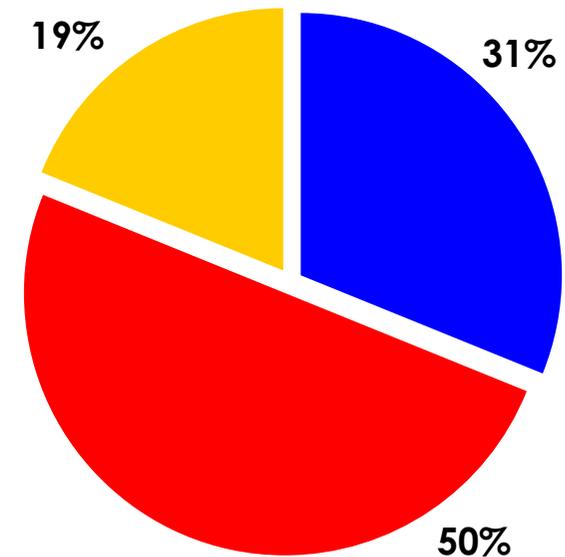
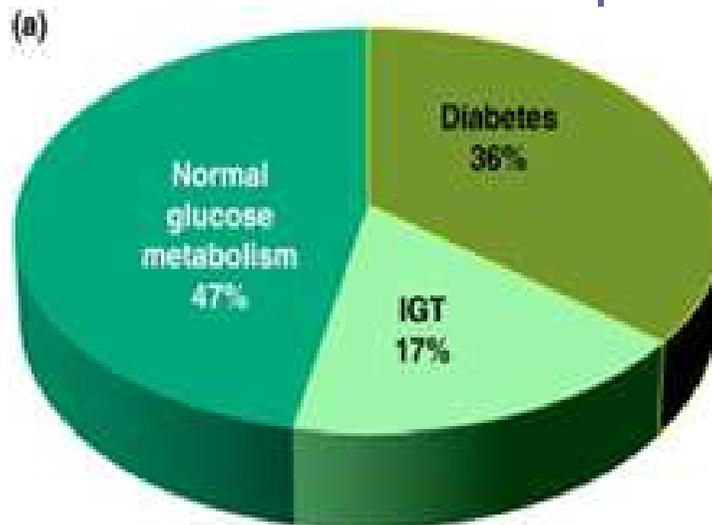
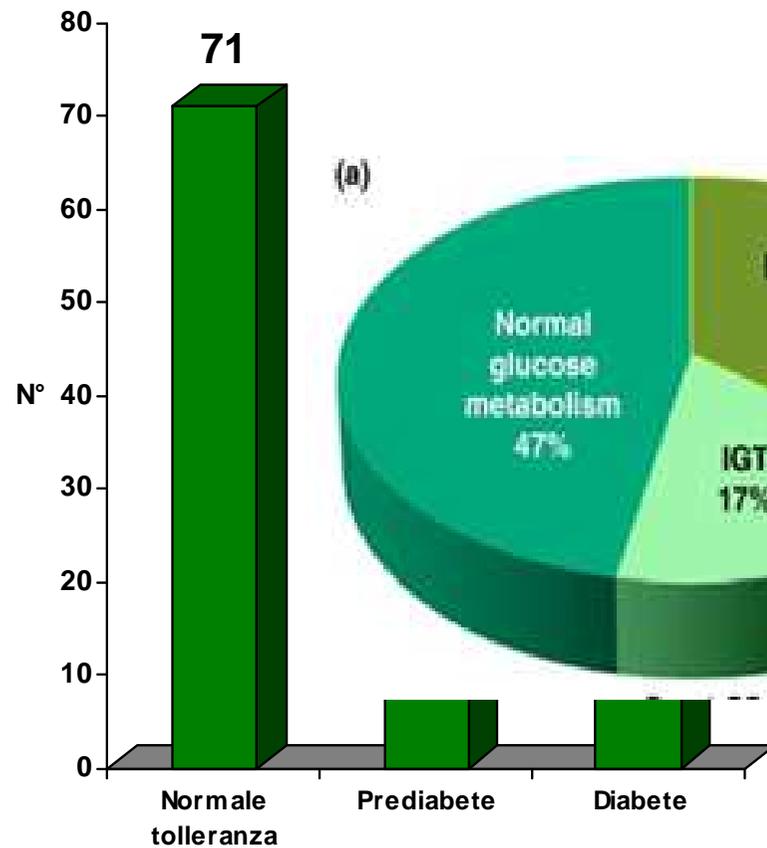
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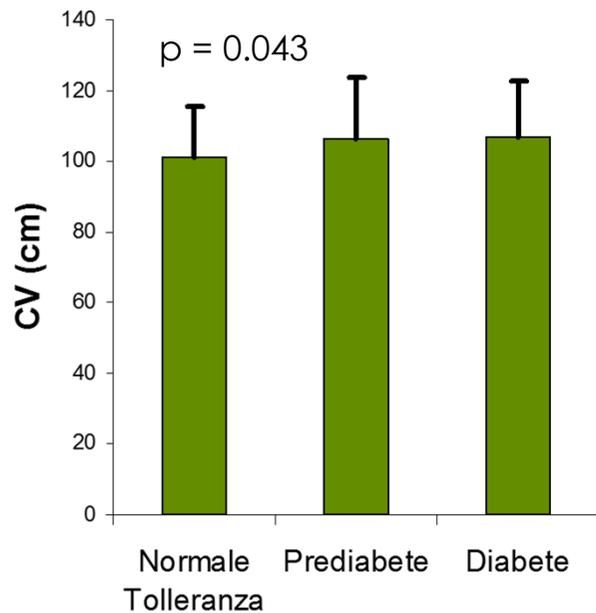
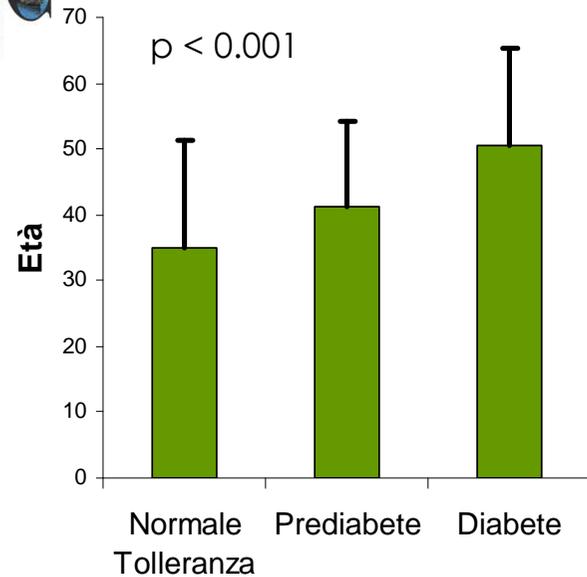




## Prevalenza dei difetti di tolleranza glucidica nella casistica PA+NA

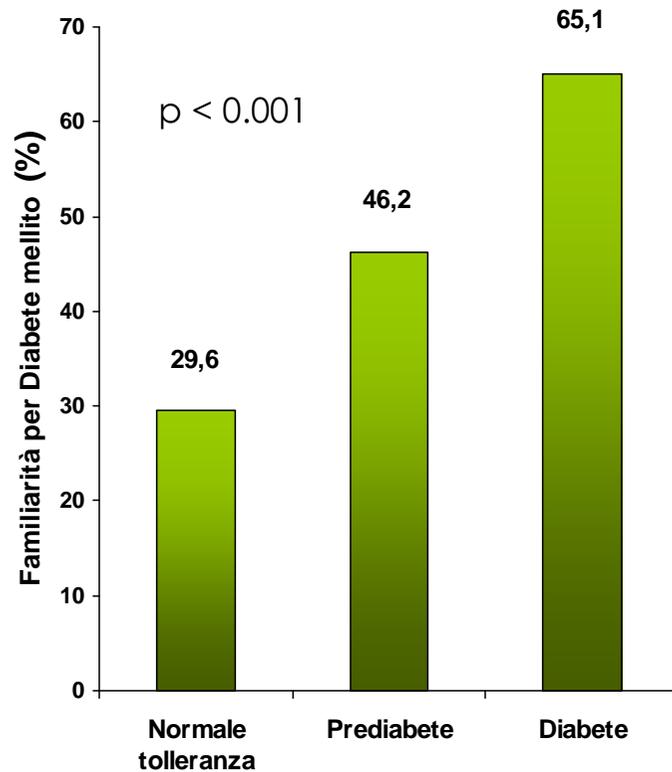


## Trend analysis



	Normal glucose tolerance No 71	Prediabetes No 26	Diabetes No 43	
	<i>Mean ± SD</i>	<i>Mean ± SD</i>	<i>Mean ± SD</i>	<i>p</i>
<b>Age (yr)</b>	35.05 ± 16.34	41.27 ± 12.97	50.58 ± 14.64	<0.001
<b>BMI (Kg/m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	30.00 ± 5.07	31.18 ± 6.08	32.07 ± 7.19	0.072
<b>WC</b>	100.85 ± 14.77	106.28 ± 17.49	106.76 ± 16.00	0.043
<b>WHR</b>	1.01 ± 0.09	1.02 ± 0.09	1.01 ± 0.08	0.900
	<i>Subjects (%)</i>	<i>Subjects (%)</i>	<i>Subjects (%)</i>	
<b>Male</b>	14 (19.7)	6 (23.1)	7 (16.3)	0.696
<b>Female</b>	57 (80.3)	20 (76.9)	36 (83.7)	0.696

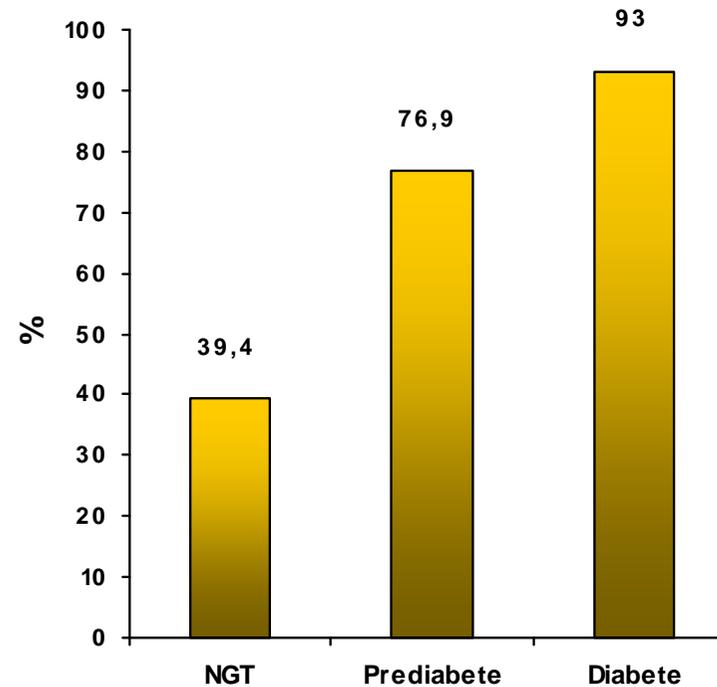
## Trend analysis



	NGT N 71	Prediabetes N 26	Diabetes N 43	
	Mean $\pm$ SD	Mean $\pm$ SD	Mean $\pm$ SD	p
Family history of Diabetes	21 (29.6)	12 (46.2)	28 (65.1)	<0.001
Pituitary disease	48 (67.6)	21 (80.8)	30 (69.8)	0.704
Adrenal disease	23 (32.4)	5 (19.2)	13 (30.2)	0.704
Multinodular goiter	3 (4.2)	2 (7.7)	11 (25.6)	<0.001
Visceral obesity	54 (76.1)	23 (88.5)	37 (86)	0.152
Moon face	34 (47.9)	16 (61.5)	20 (46.5)	1
Buffalo hump	23 (32.4)	11 (42.3)	16 (37.2)	0.547
Purple striae	31 (43.7)	14 (53.8)	13 (30.2)	0.212
Ecchymoses	12 (16.9)	7 (26.9)	13 (30.2)	0.090
Arterial hypertension	48 (67.6)	20 (76.9)	37 (86)	0.026
Coronary heart disease	8 (11.3)	2 (7.7)	13 (30.2)	0.012
Coagulopathy	2 (2.8)	1 (3.8)	7 (16.3)	0.009
Peripheral vascular disease	2 (2.8)	0	7 (13.9)	0.049
Cerebral vascular disease	4 (5.6)	1 (3.8)	7 (16.3)	0.007
Depression	13 (18.3)	5 (19.2)	14 (32.6)	0.090
Osteoporosis	13 (18.3)	6 (23.1)	13 (30.2)	0.143
Metabolic syndrome	28 (39.4)	20 (76.9)	40 (93)	<0.001

## Sindrome metabolica

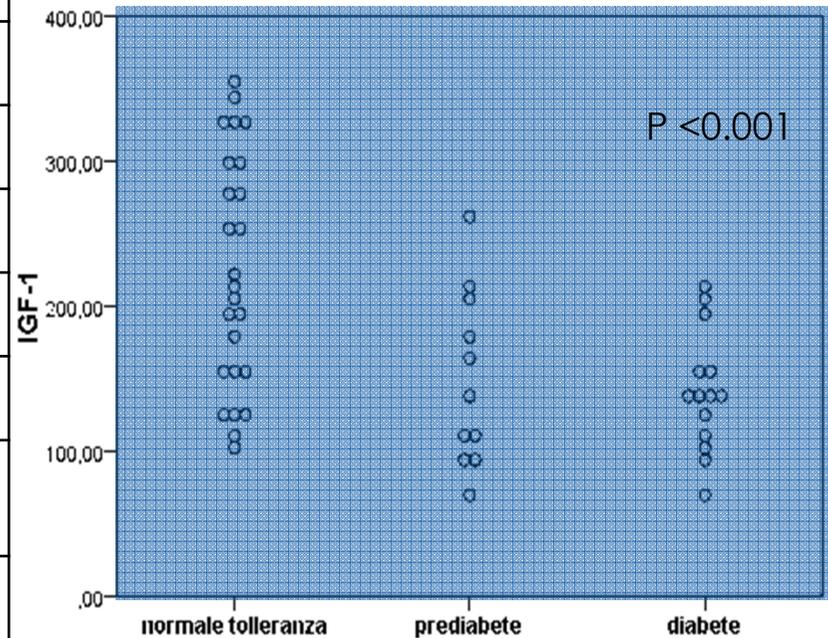
P < 0.001



I dati della letteratura indicano, che nei pazienti con Cushing vi sia una prevalenza di SM pari al 60-65% dei pazienti. Nella nostra casistica è stato riscontrato che il 63% dei pazienti presentava una SM. Tale quadro patologico è stato riscontrato con maggiore prevalenza nei pazienti con DM.

**Trend analysis**

	NGT No 71	Prediabetes No 26	Diabetes No 43	
	Mean ± SD			P
<b>GH (µg/l)</b>	0.80 ± 1.53	0.33 ± 0.32	0.58 ± 0.88	0.425
<b>PRL (ng/ml)</b>	14.66 ± 8.86	14.04 ± 7.66	17.69 ± 25.54	0.478
<b>TSH (µU/ml)</b>	1.58 ± 1.53	1.69 ± 1.48	1.23 ± 0.97	0.231
<b>FT4 (ng/dl)</b>	2.68 ± 3.67	2.01 ± 2.72	1.6 ± 1.95	0.082
<b>IGF-1 (ng/ml)</b>	223.00 ± 82.24	174.69 ± 61.65	141.00 ± 42.07	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
<b>FT3 (pg/ml)</b>	2.86 ± 0.89	2.64 ± 0.75	2.61 ± 0.84	0.141
<b>ACTH h 8 (pg/ml)</b>	51.11 ± 42.87	65.85 ± 34.47	57.86 ± 52.00	0.365
<b>ACTH h 16 (pg/ml)</b>	40.90 ± 36.18	55.58 ± 35.24	45.58 ± 35.47	0.530
<b>ACTH h 24 (pg/ml)</b>	41.27 ± 31.00	52.66 ± 20.32	51.00 ± 31.50	0.209
<b>Cortisol h 8 (ng/ml)</b>	246.83 ± 66.73	257.52 ± 74.38	270.72 ± 85.53	0.102
<b>Cortisol h 16 (ng/ml)</b>	231.90 ± 60.15	227.00 ± 72.81	226.98 ± 107.81	0.815
<b>Cortisol h 24 (ng/ml)</b>	175.05 ± 75.17	191.92 ± 93.49	203.32 ± 115.23	0.249
<b>Urinary free cortisol (mcg/24h)</b>	436.25 ± 334.20	376.82 ± 322.03	409.54 ± 457.89	0.668
<b>Cortisol after DMZ (ng/ml)</b>	95.83 ± 86.75	105.51 ± 83.93	101.17 ± 92.63	0.783



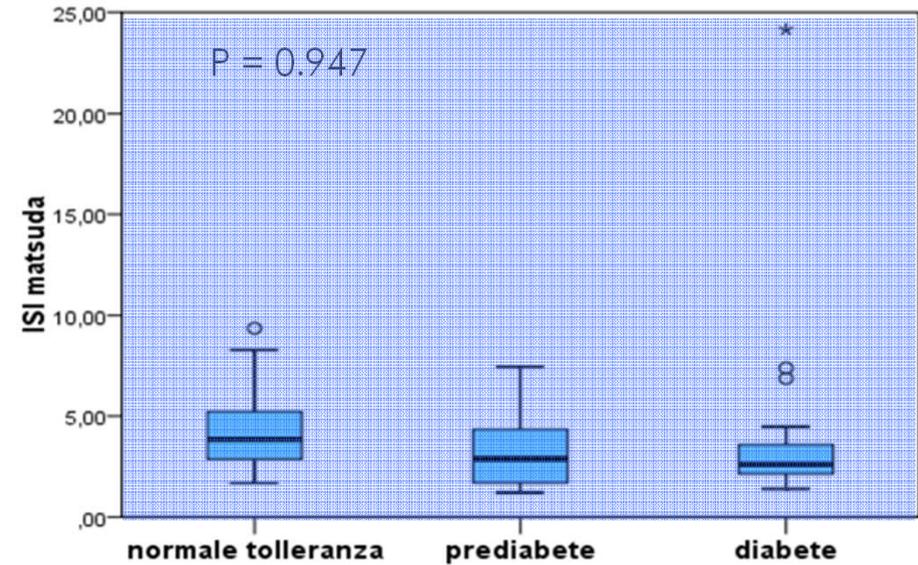
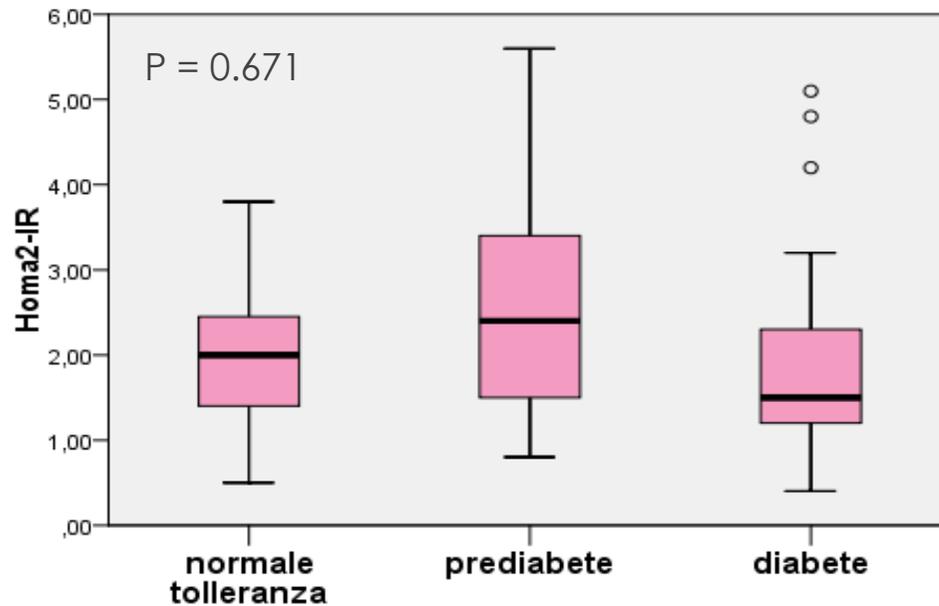
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**Fasting values**

Plasma glucose :   mmol/l  mg/dl

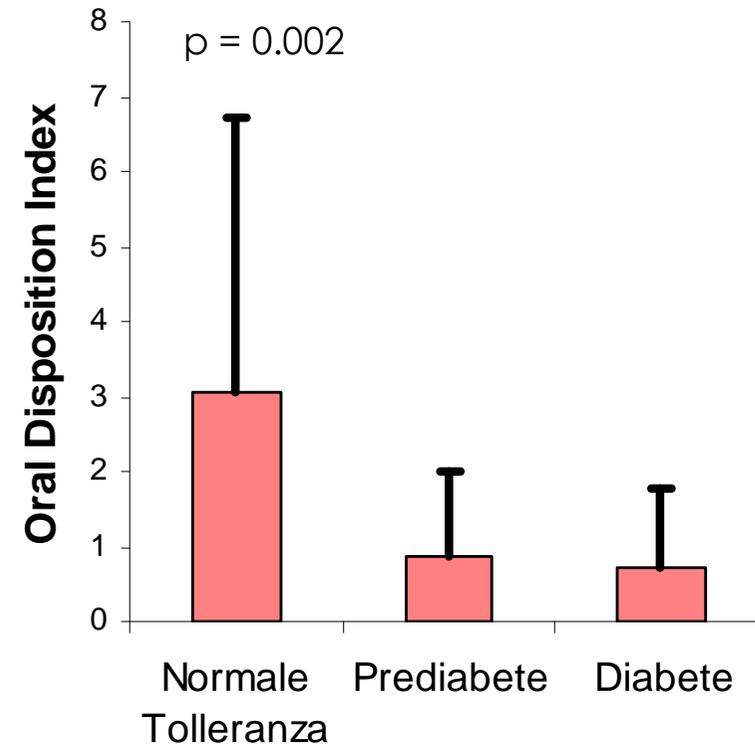
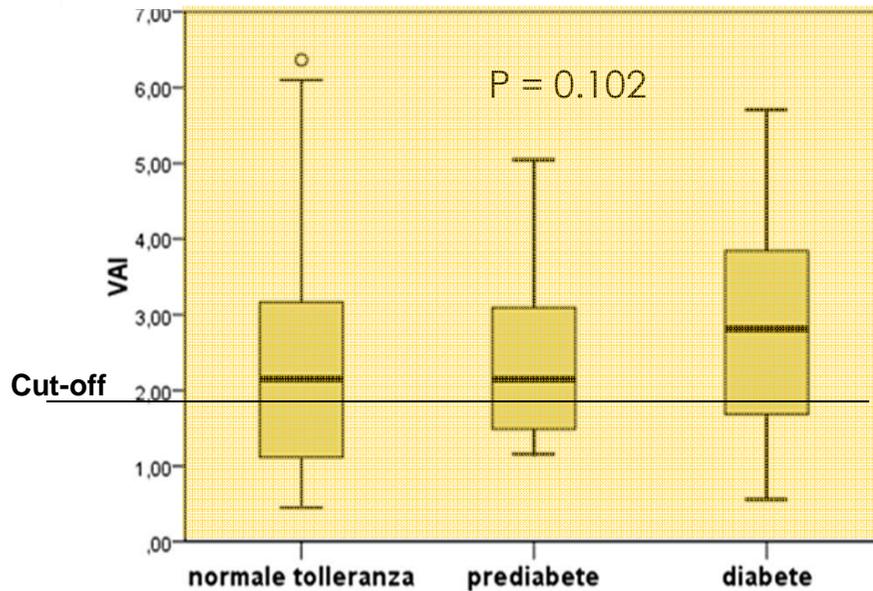
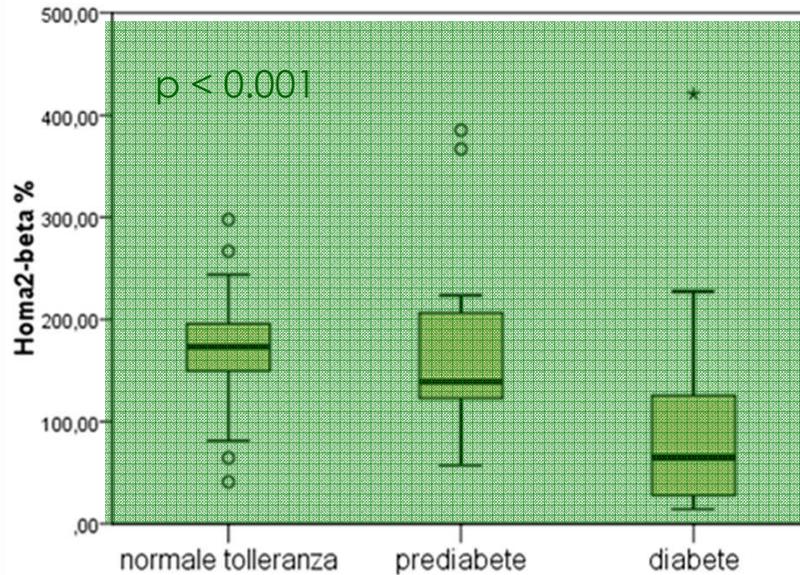
Insulin   pmol/l  μU/ml

%B :     %S :     IR :

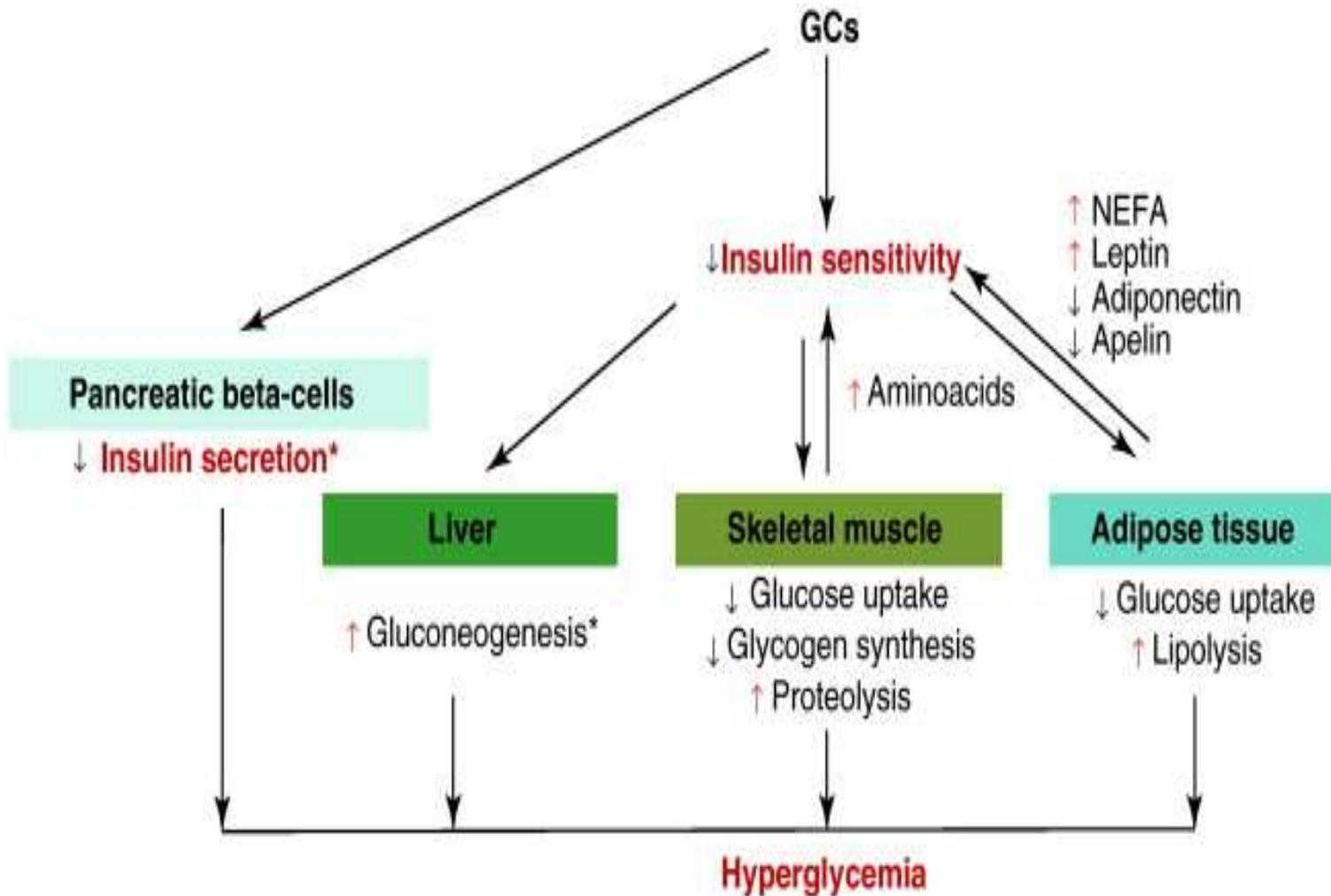


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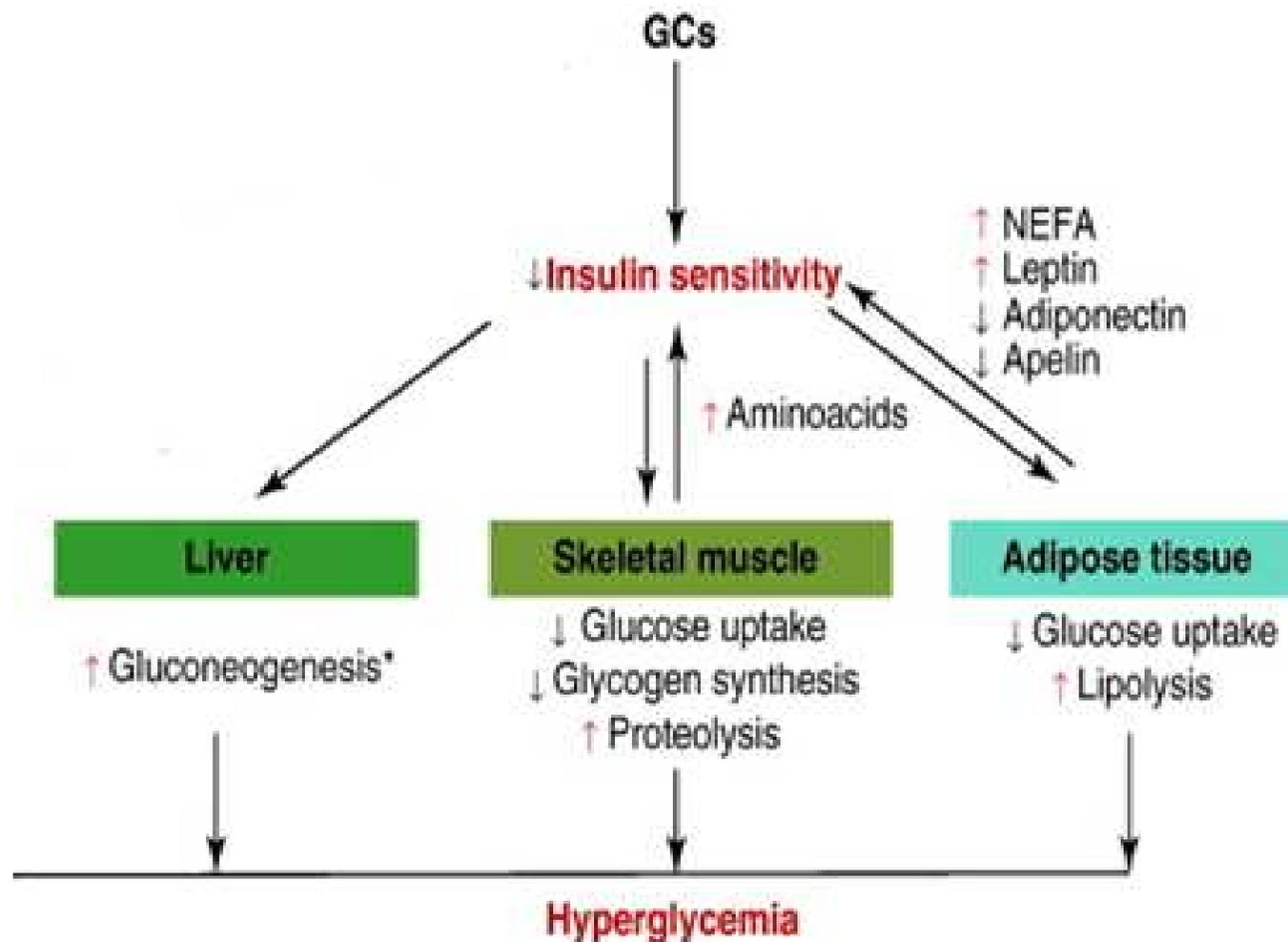
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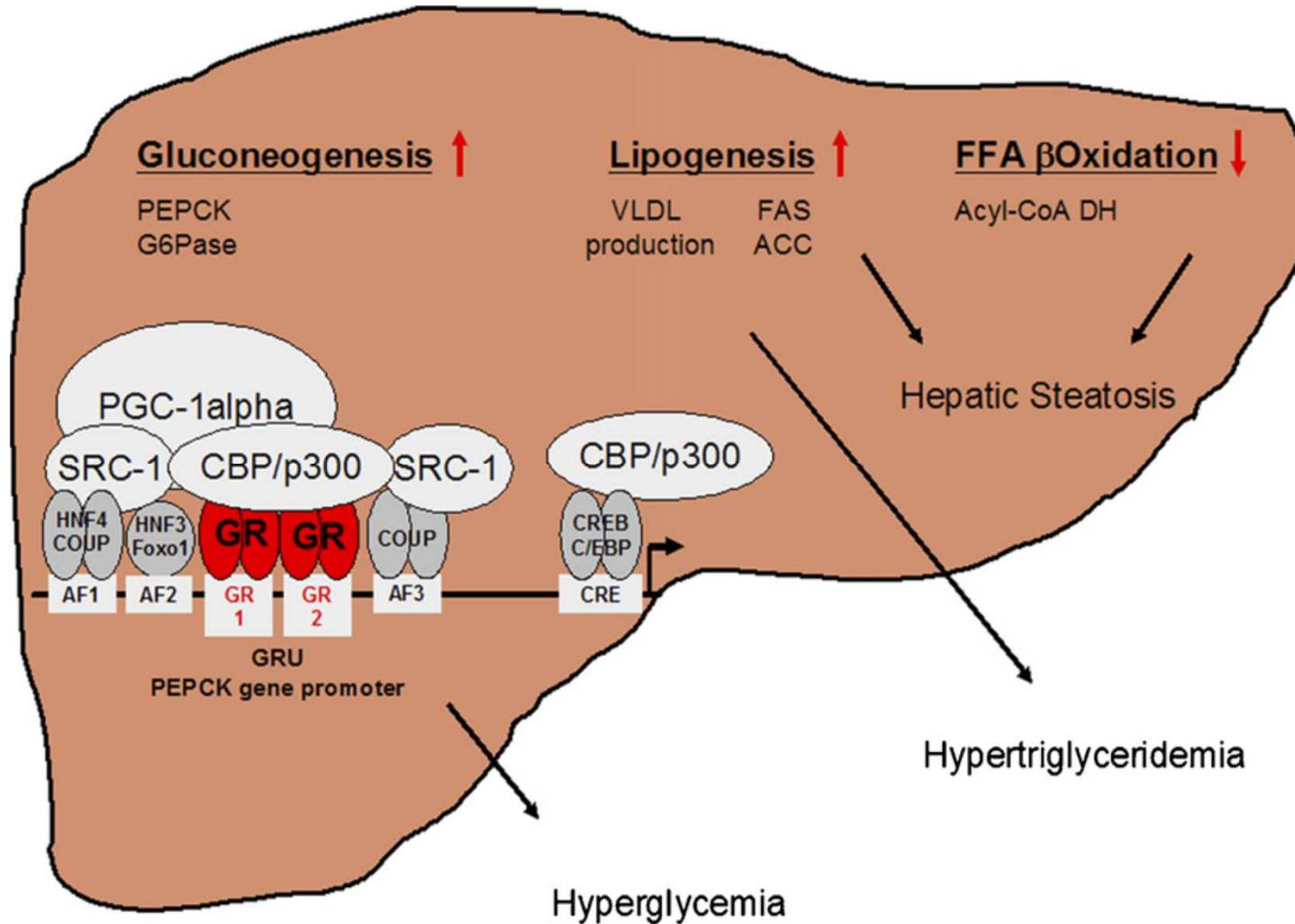
# Metabolismo glucidico & Cushing



# Cushing & insulino-resistenza

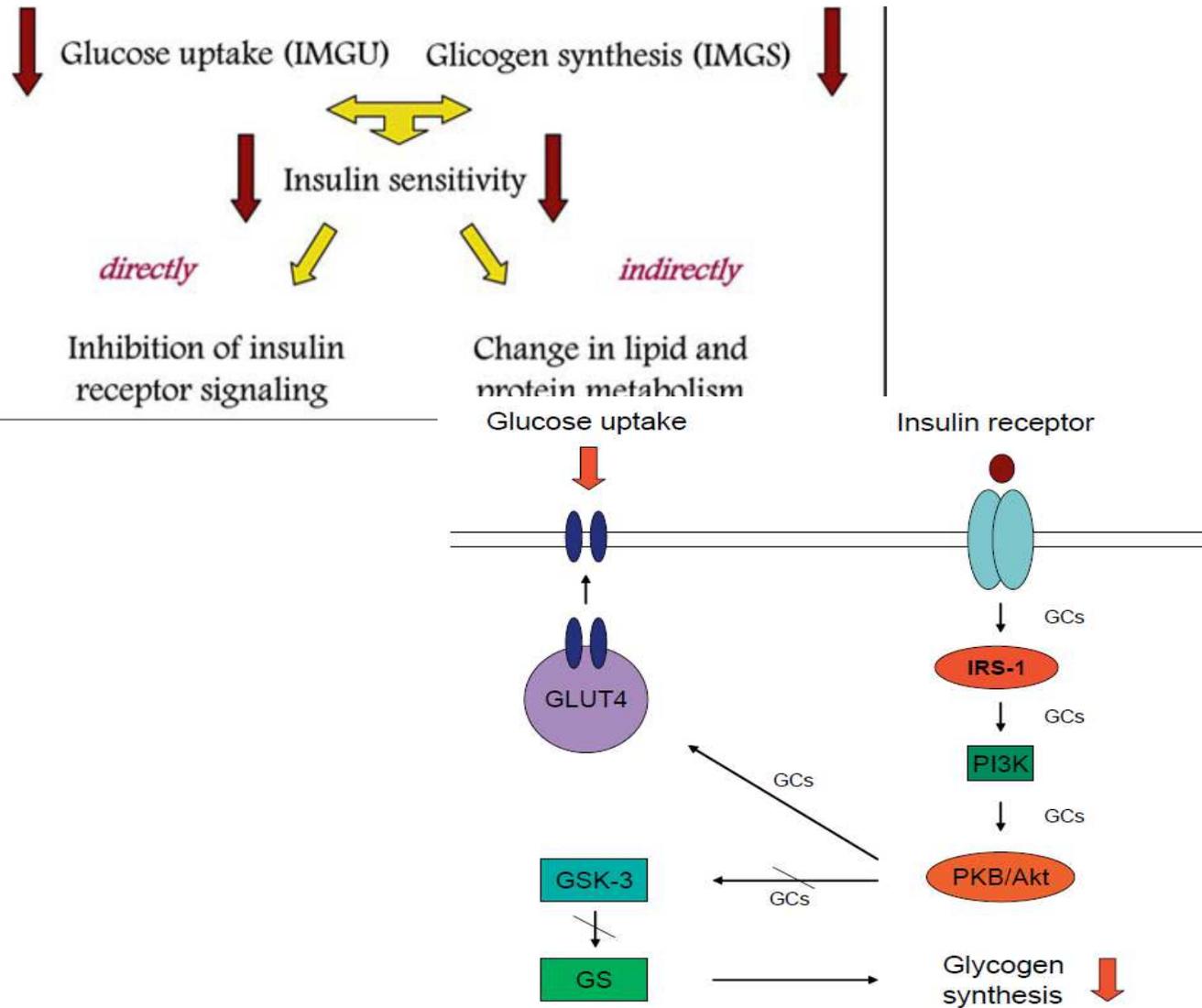


# GC/GR-regulated metabolic pathways in the liver





# Muscolo

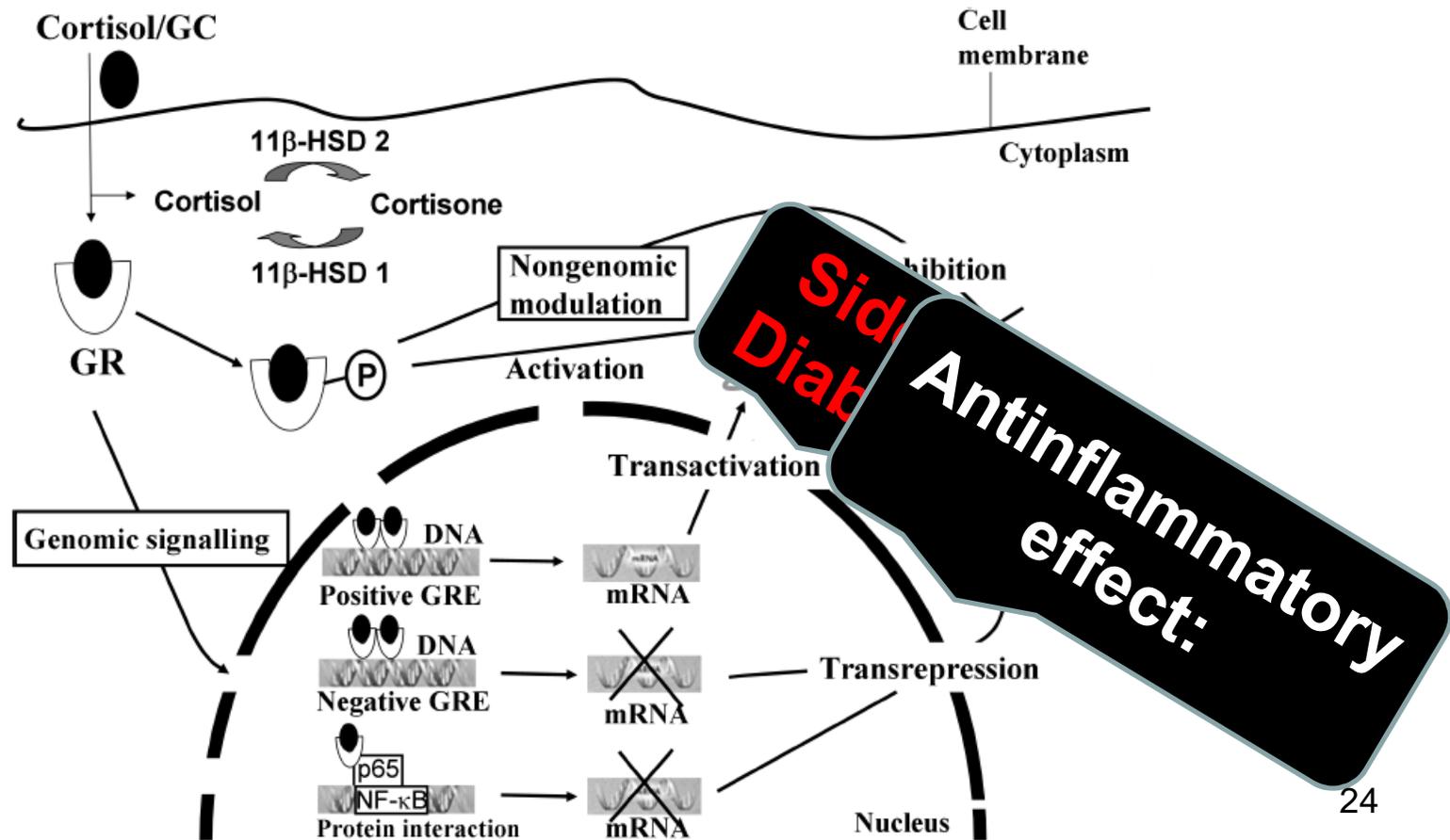




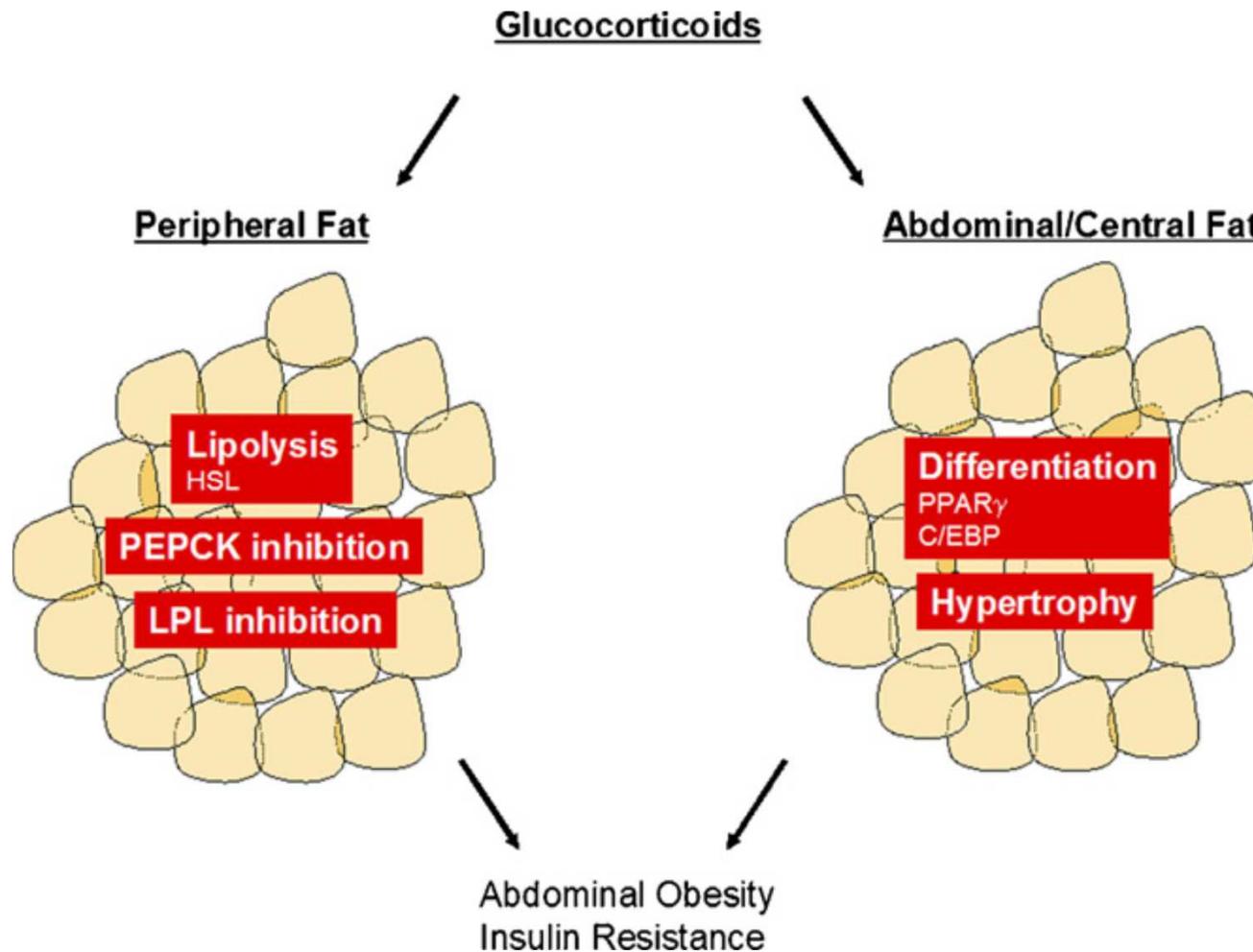


# Molecular mechanisms of GR action

## GCs regulate protein activity both by genomic and non-genomic pathways



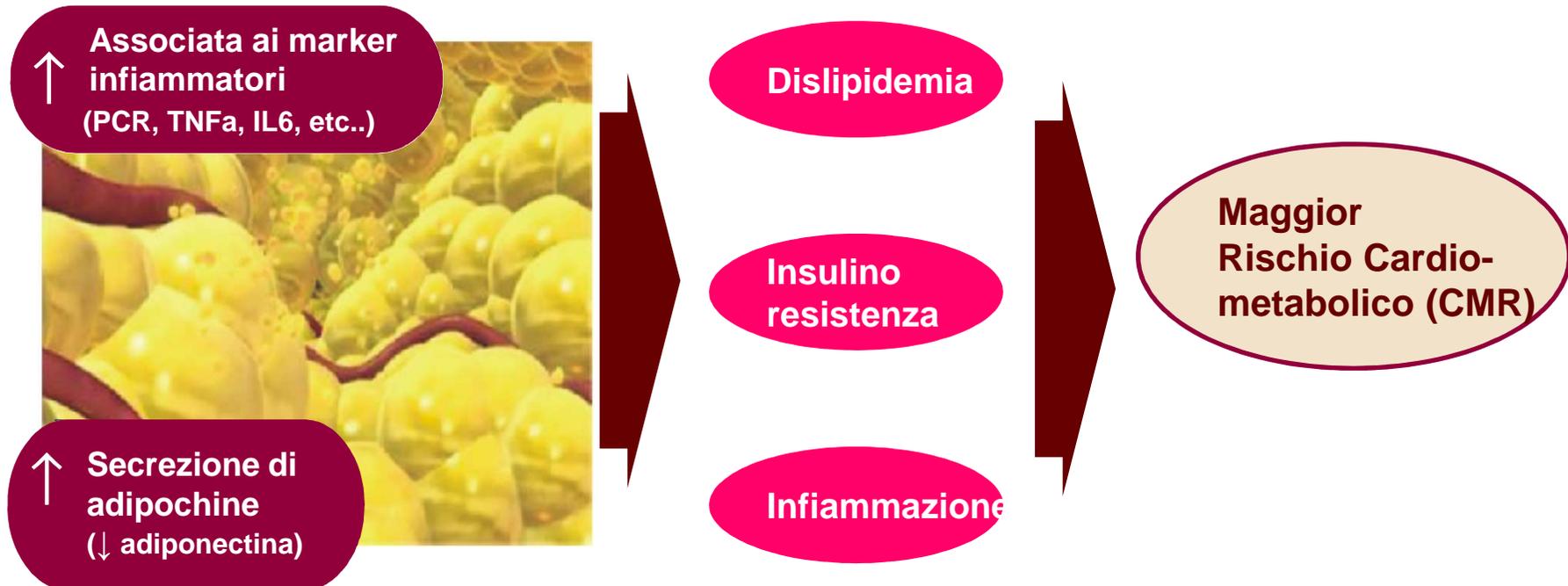
# Tessuto adiposo



# Rischio Cardiometabolico globale

## Ruolo del tessuto adiposo nella genesi del Diabete Mellito tipo 2

L'adiposità intra-addominale è uno degli elementi che contribuisce maggiormente all'aumento del rischio cardiometabolico

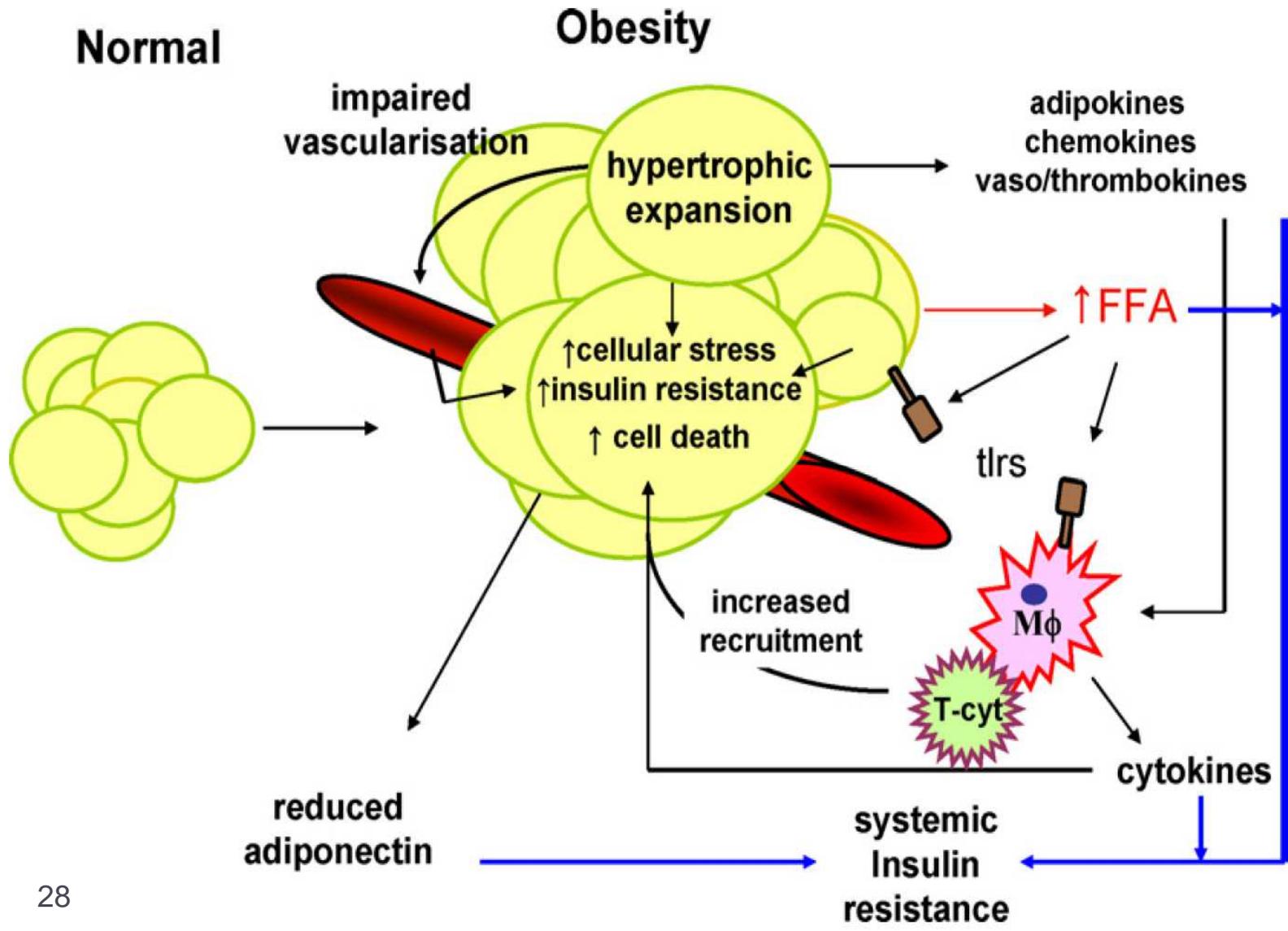


# Adipokine patterns in CD

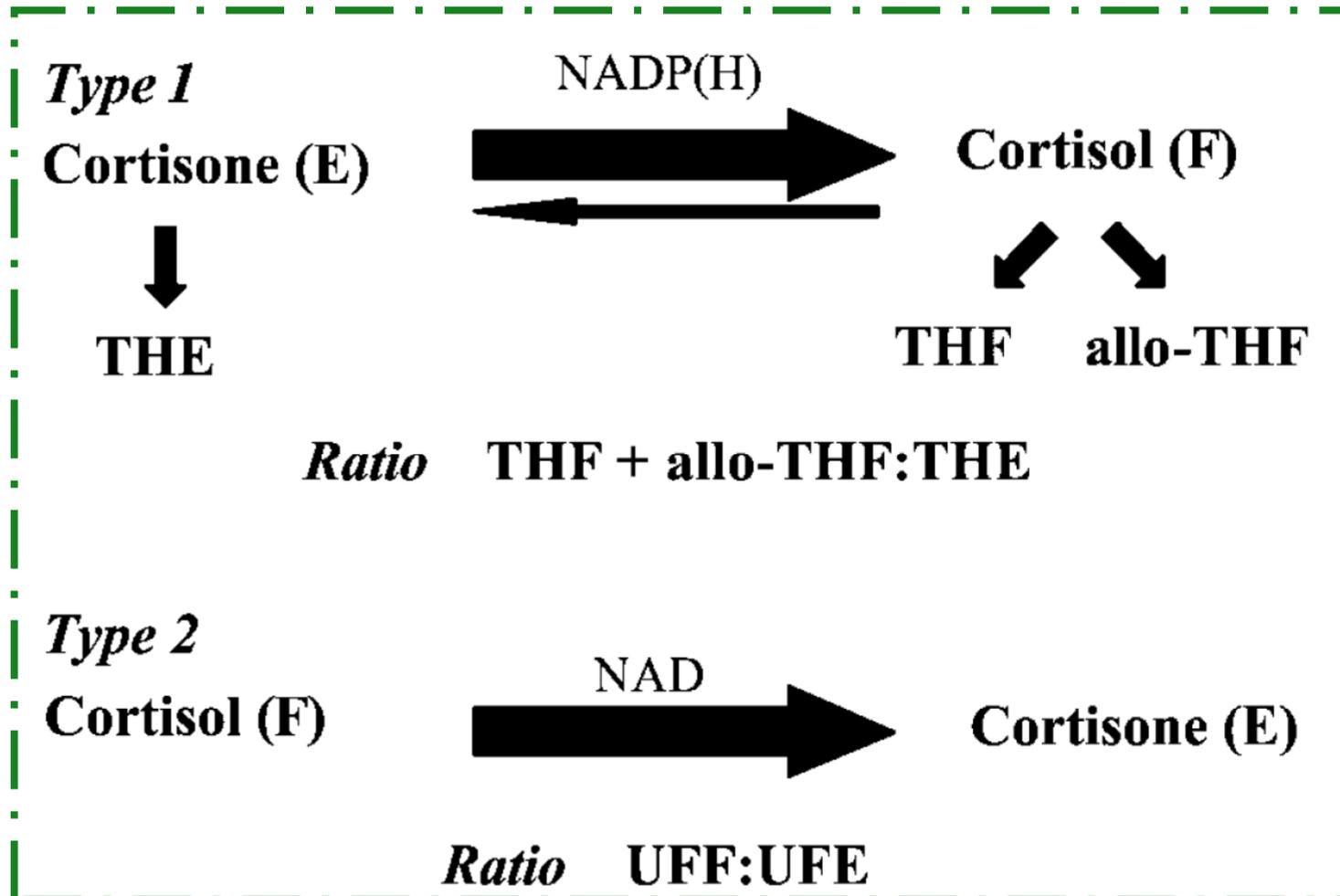
Adipokines	Pattern in active CS patients vs. BMI-matched controls	Pattern in CS after correction of hypercortisolism	
		change of levels vs. baseline	postsurgery time
Leptin	Increased [56–58, 62] Increased only in men [60] Unchanged [63]	Unchanged [58] Decreased [60, 63, 68]	10 days 9–36 months
Adiponectin	Decreased in non-obese; no difference in obese CD vs. non-obese [87] Unchanged [63, 89, 90]	Unchanged [63, 89, 90]	9–132 months
Resistin	Increased in females [63]	Unchanged [63]	9 months
TNF- $\alpha$	Unchanged [68, 129, 130] Increased sTNF-R1 [90]	Increased in hypoadrenal patients [129] Increased sTNF-R1 vs. BMI-matched controls [90]	10 days 132 $\pm$ 72 months
IL-6	Unchanged [129, 130]	Increased in hypoadrenal patients [129] Increased vs. BMI-matched controls [90]	10 days 132 $\pm$ 72 months
Angiotensinogen	Increased expression of Ang II receptor 1A [166]	Not known	
PAI-1	Increased [172] Increased although not significantly [173]	Decreased vs. controls [173]	9 months
Ghrelin	Decreased [89] Increased; similar to controls with lower BMI [192]	Increased [89, 191]	3–24 months

sTNF-R1 = Soluble TNF- $\alpha$  receptor.

# Metabolic consequences of adipose tissue hypertrophy in obesity



## Two isoforms of 11 $\beta$ -hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase catalyse the interconversion of cortisol (F) to cortisone (E)



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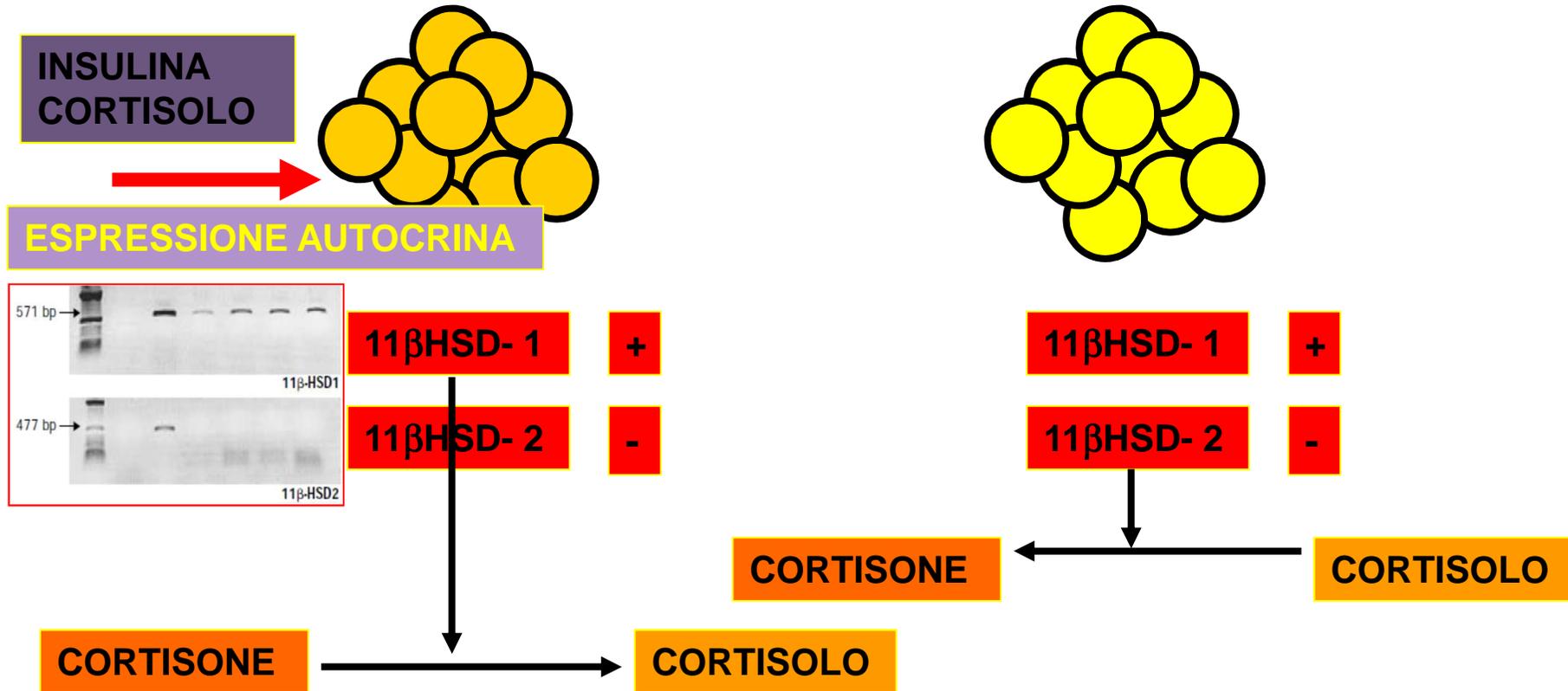
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**omental** adipose stromal cells

**subcutaneous** adipose stromal cells



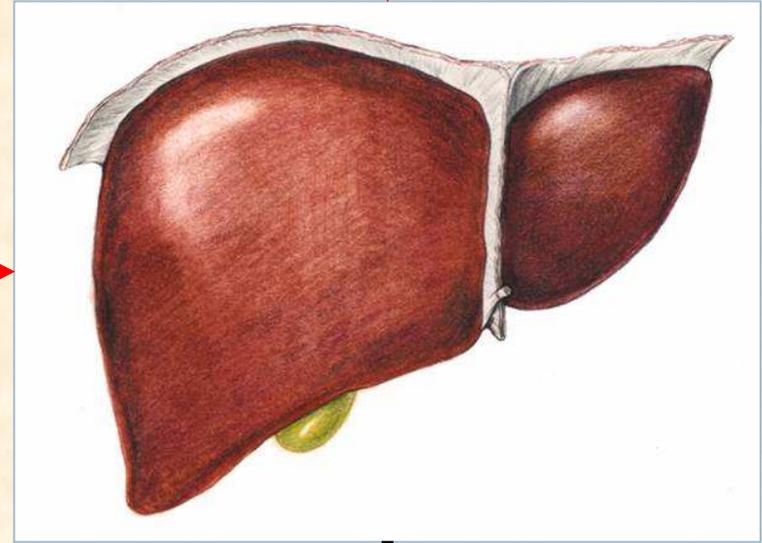


**↑ Visceral obesity**

*The “intracellular” Cushing state*

**↑ TNF-alfa**

**↑ IL-1 beta**

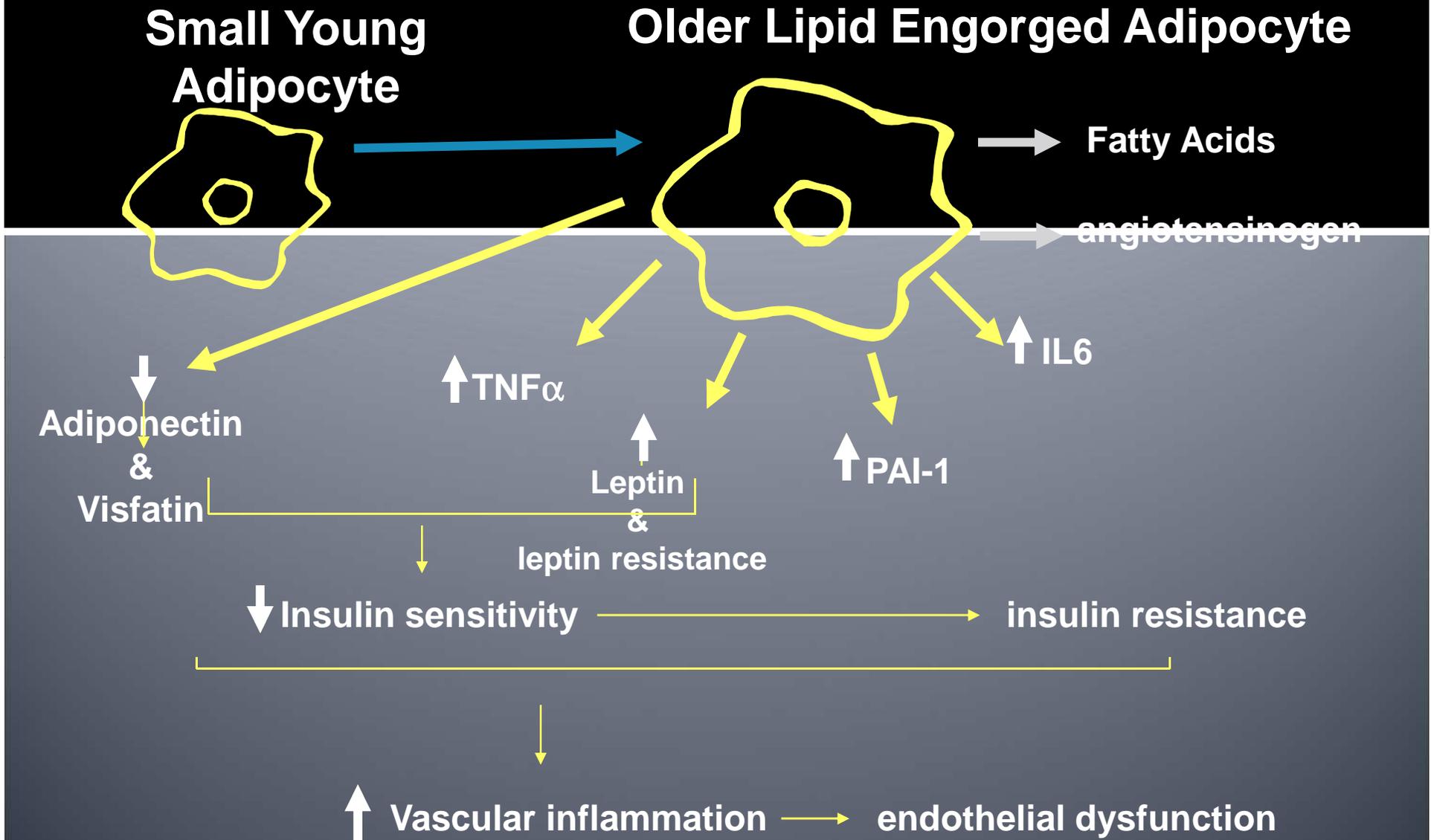


**↑ Insulin-resistance**

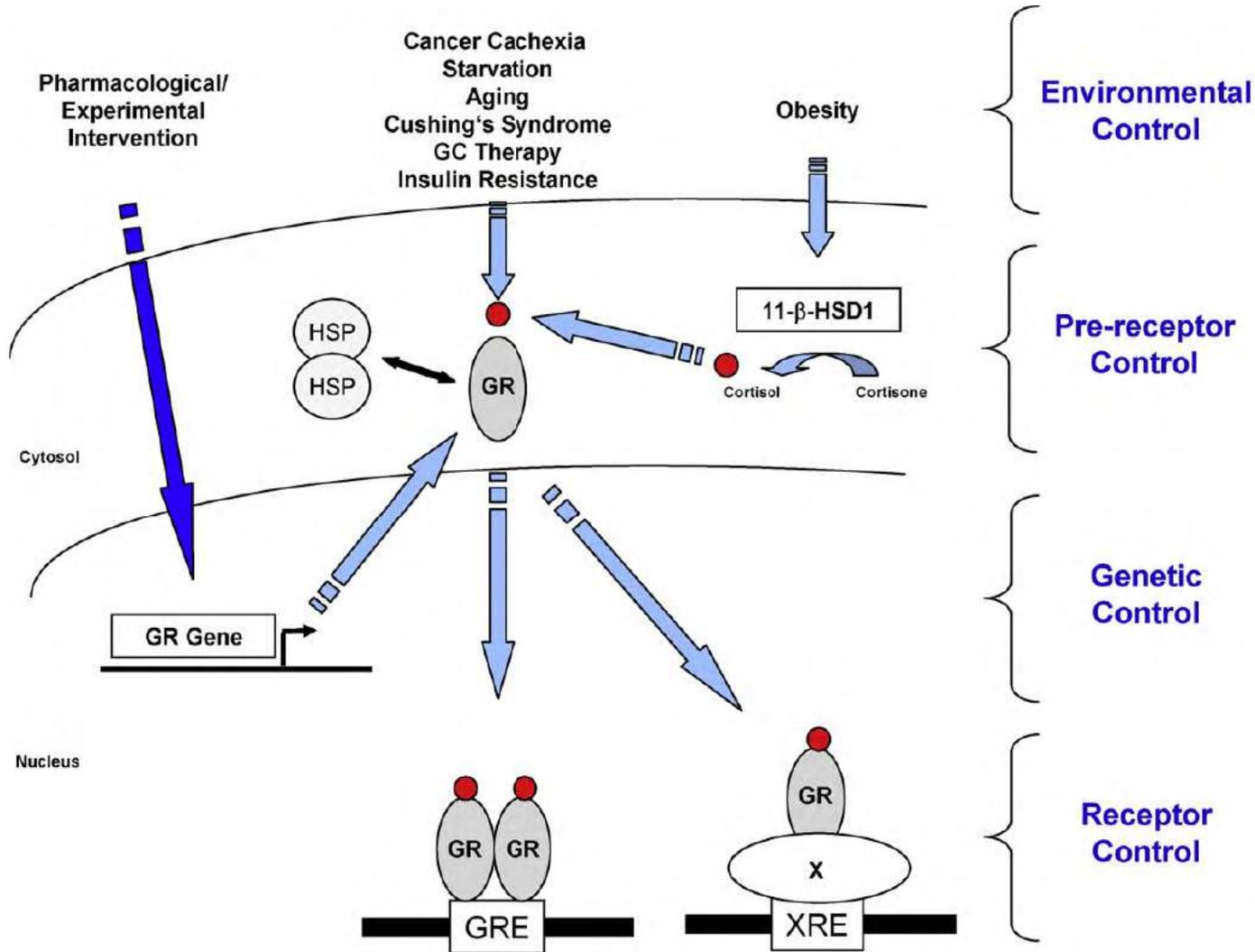
**↑ Active Cortisol**

**↑ 11βHSD- 1**

# Adipokines mediate insulin resistance and inflammation



# Physiological, cellular and molecular regulation of the glucocorticoid receptor

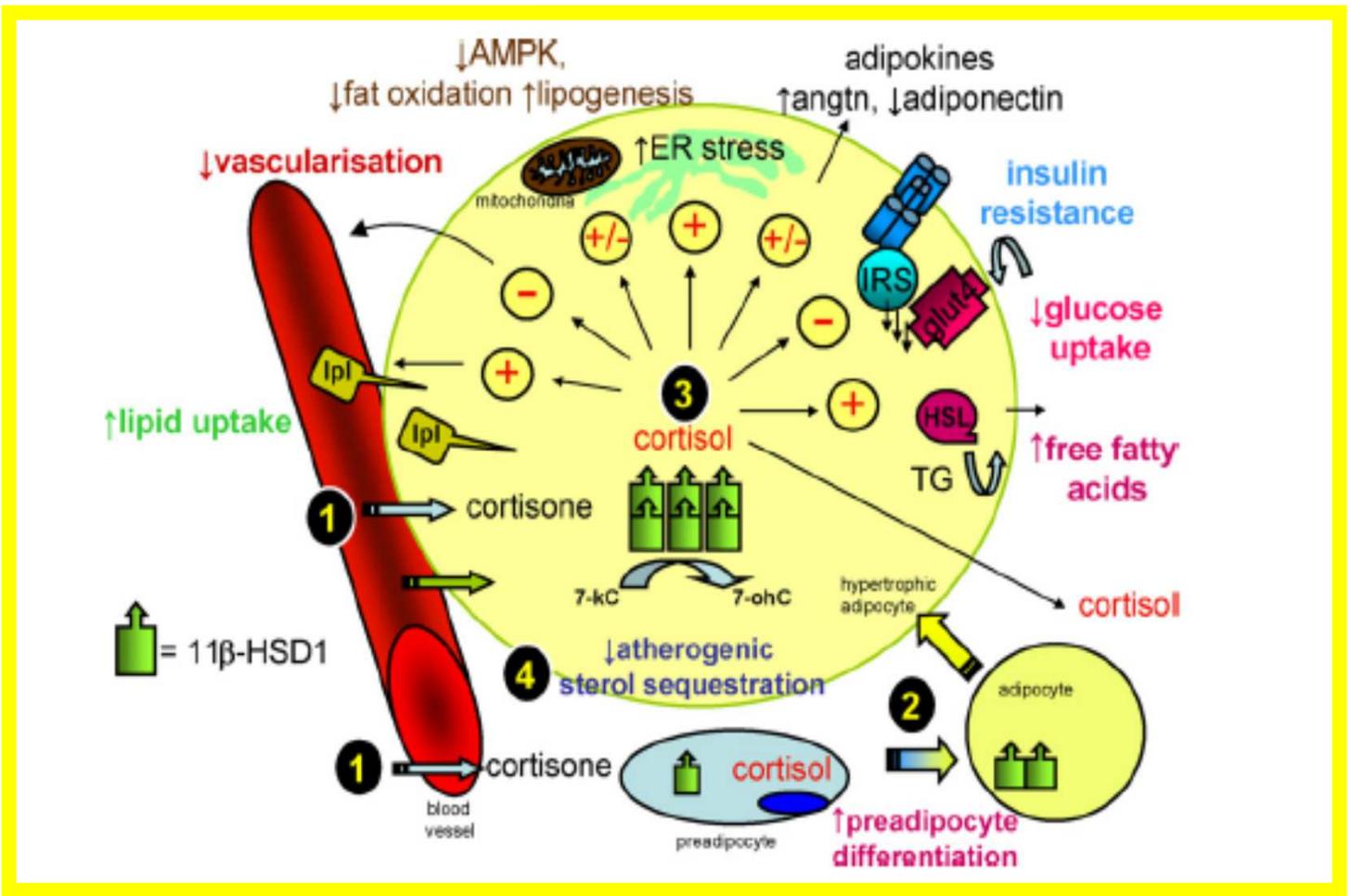


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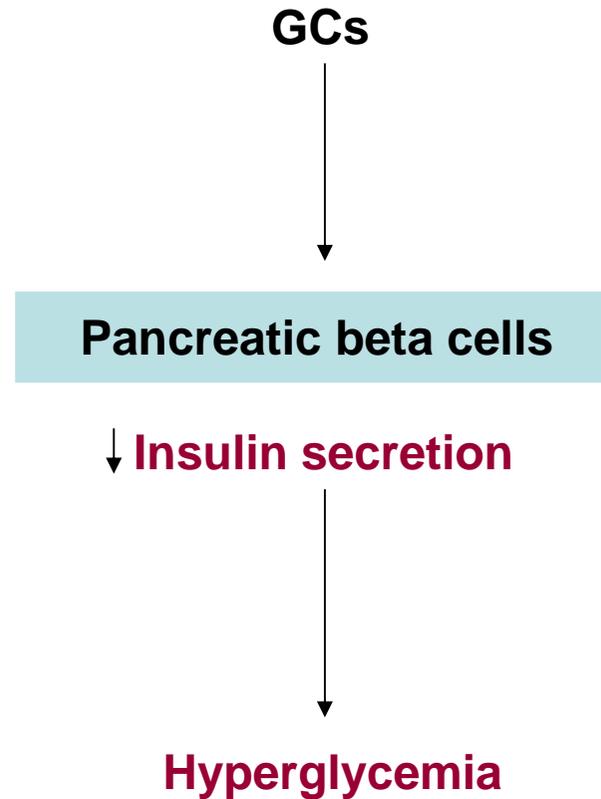
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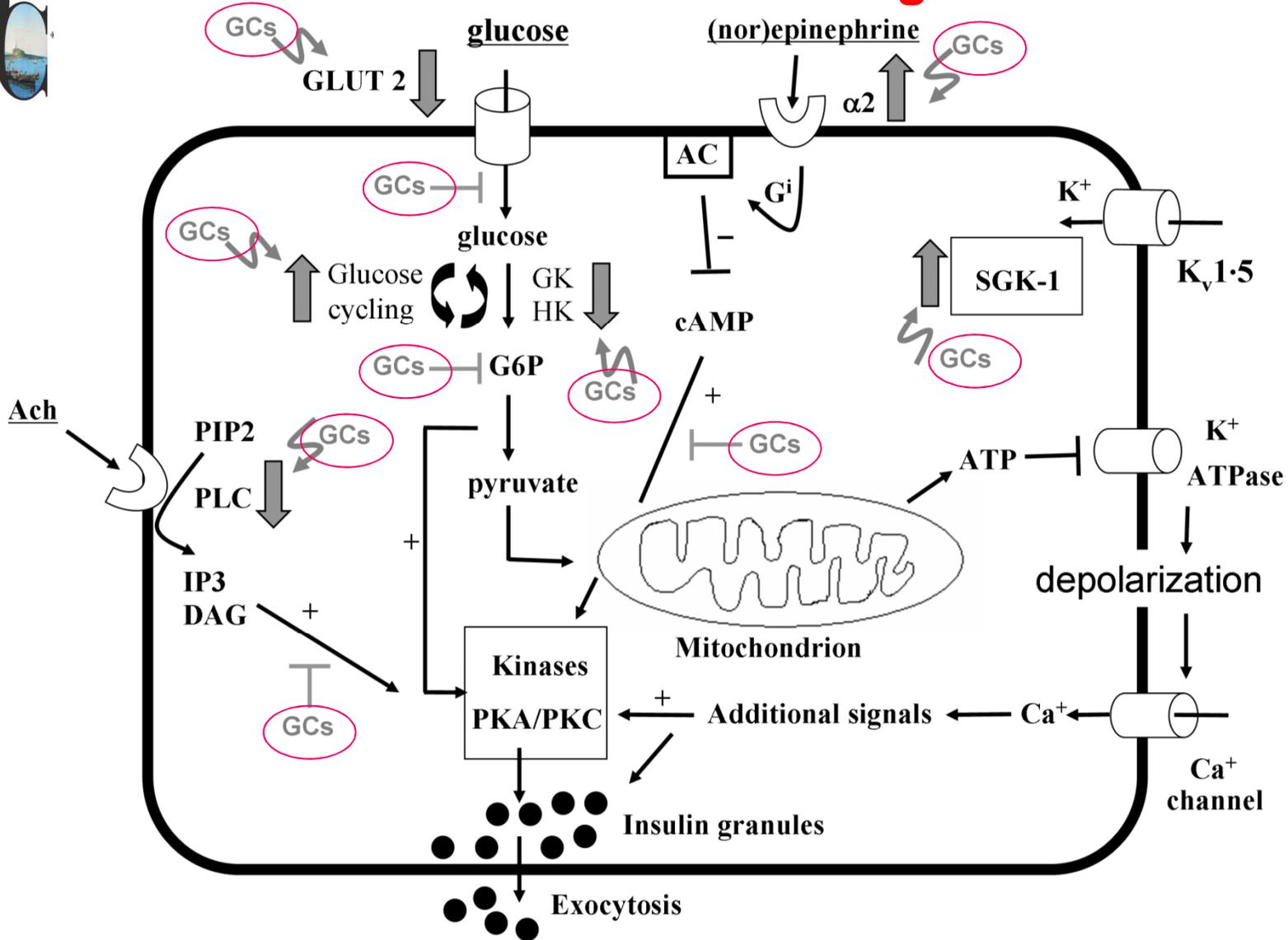
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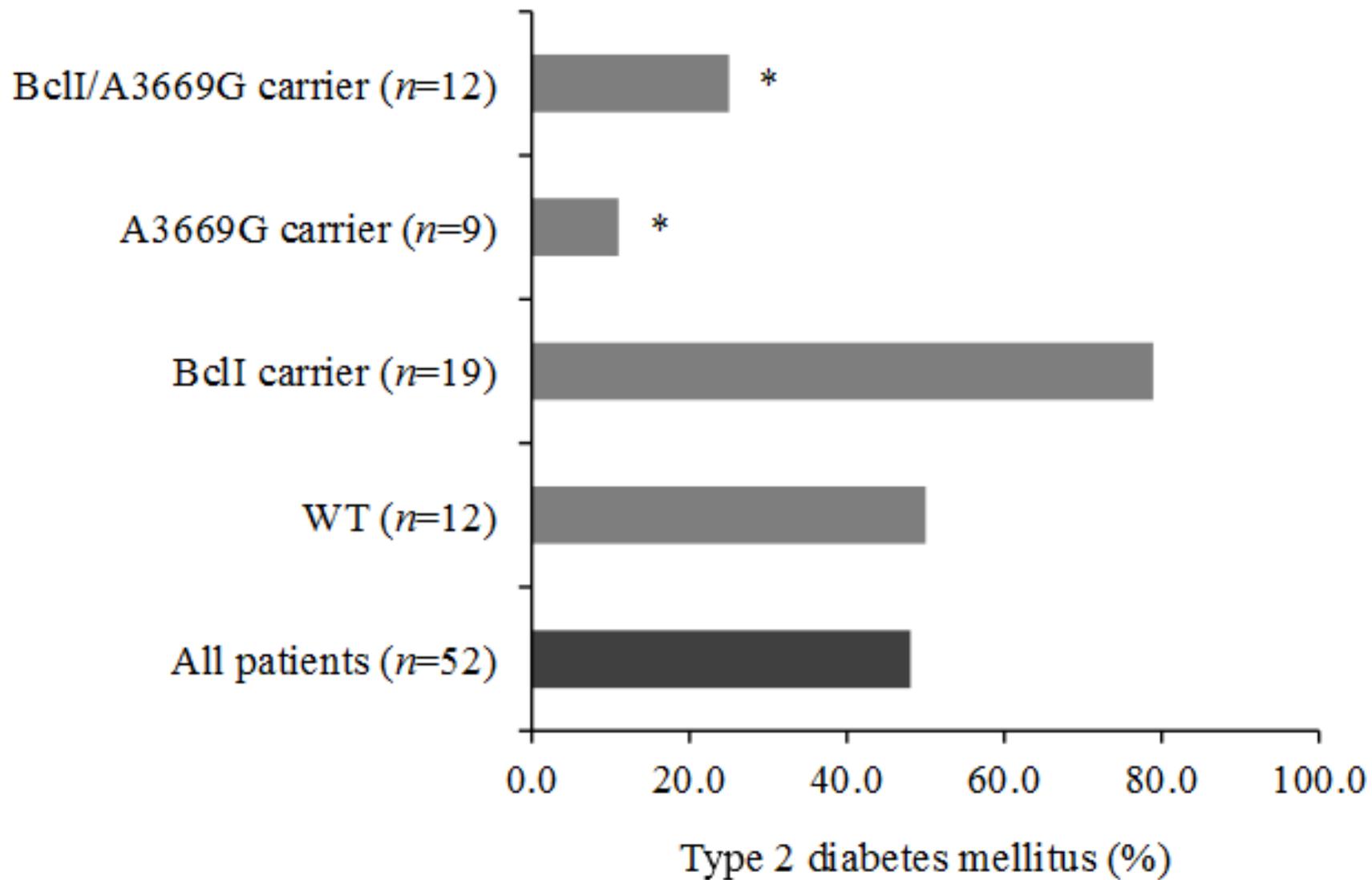


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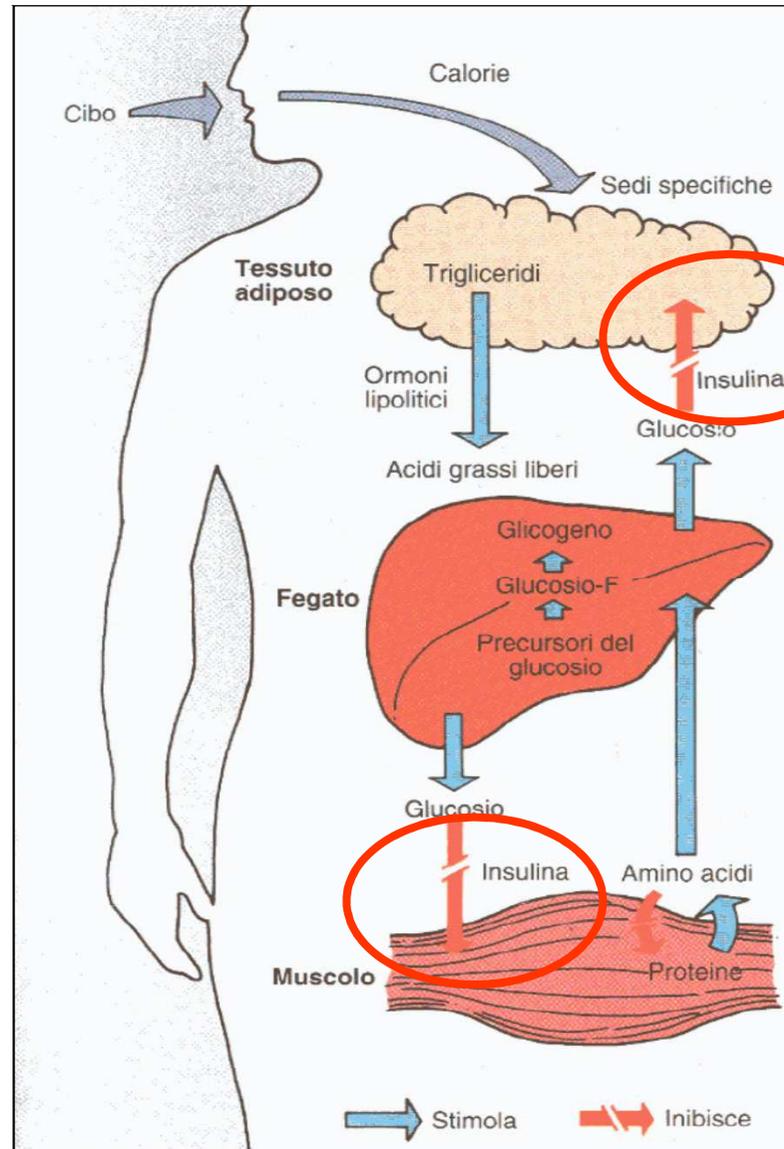




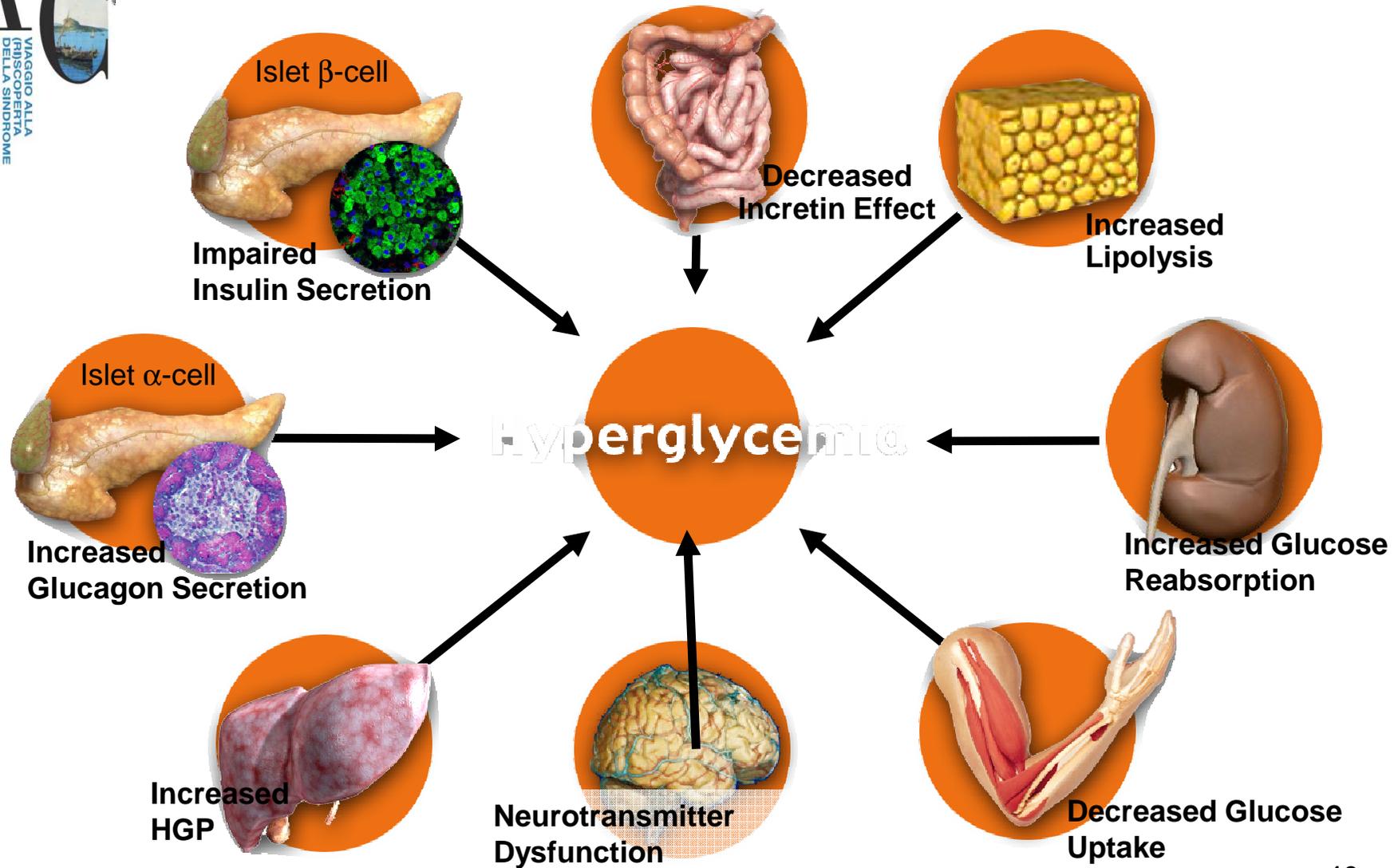
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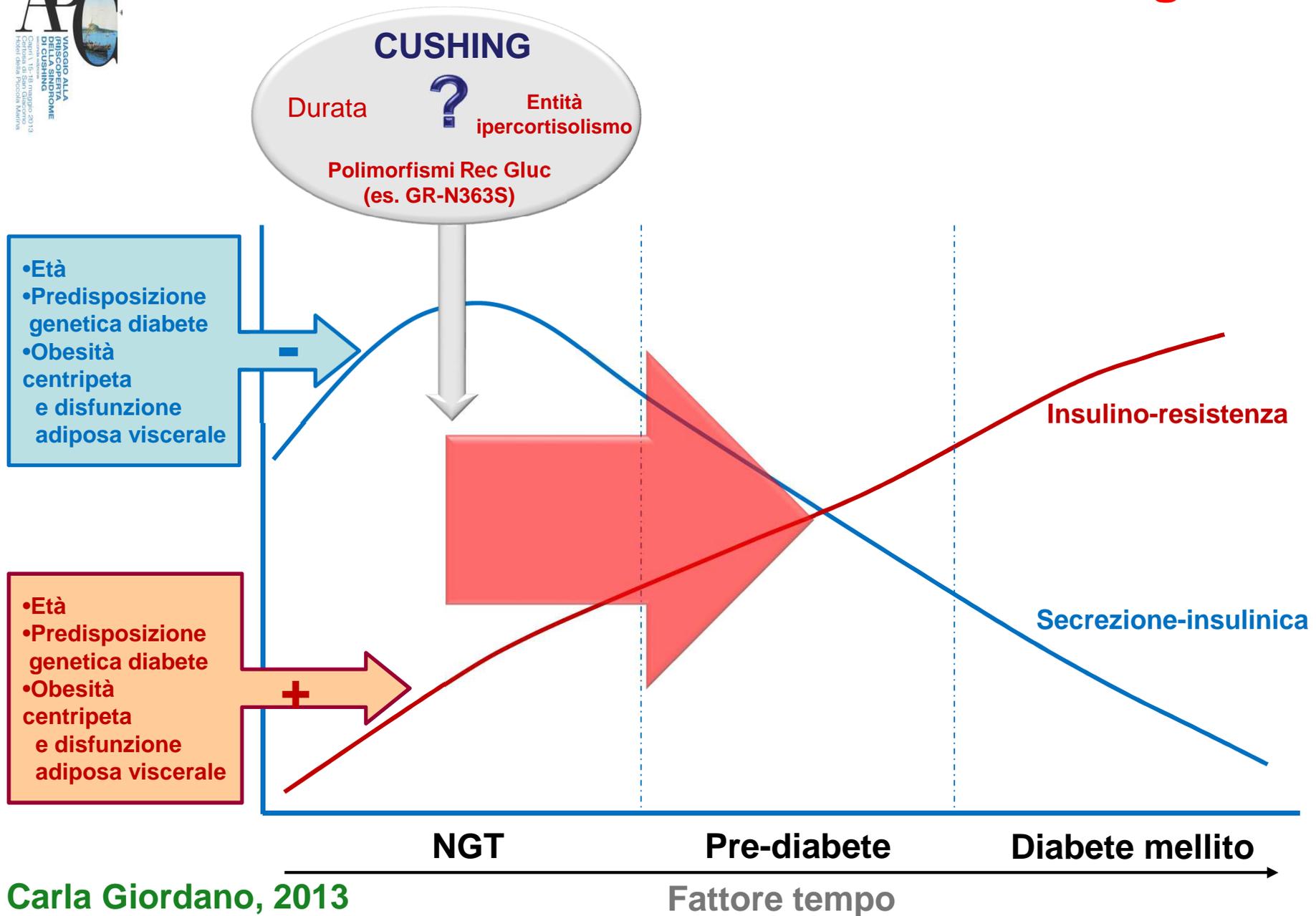
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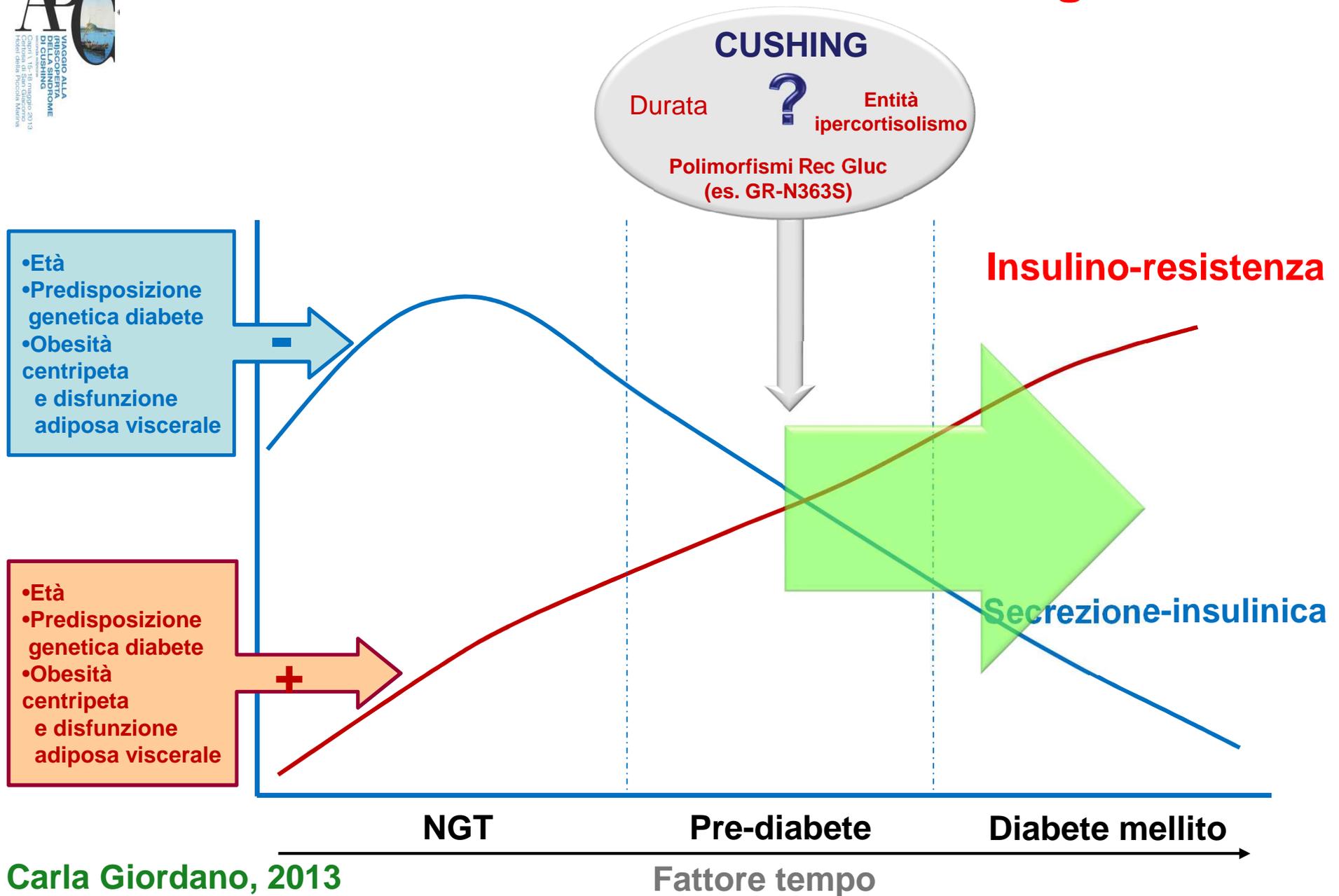
# 8 or more actors!!!!



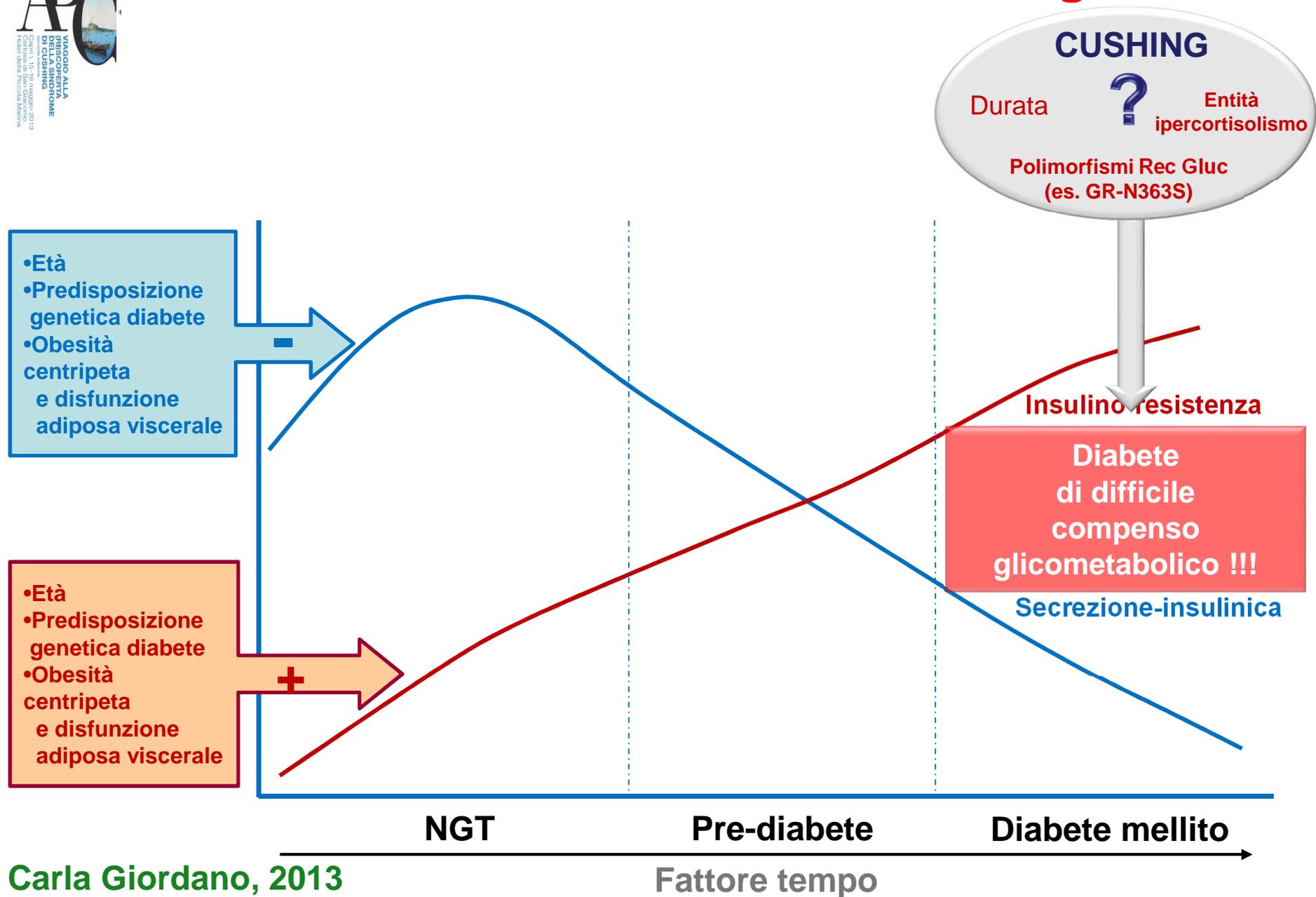
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## A 12-Month Phase 3 Study of Pasireotide in Cushing's Disease

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## Safety: most frequent study drug-related AEs (≥5%)

Preferred Term	Pasireotide 600µg bid N=82	Pasireotide 900µg bid N=80	Overall N=162
Diarrhea	46 (56.1)	43 (53.8)	89 (54.9)
Nausea	33 (40.2)	43 (53.8)	76 (46.9)
Hyperglycemia	31 (37.8)	32 (40.0)	63 (38.9)
Cholelithiasis	25 (30.5)	23 (28.8)	48 (29.6)
Abdominal pain	14 (17.1)	19 (23.8)	33 (20.4)
Diabetes mellitus	13 (15.9)	16 (20.0)	29 (17.9)
Fatigue	7 (8.5)	12 (15.0)	19 (11.7)
Glycosylated hemoglobin increased	10 (12.2)	7 (8.8)	17 (10.5)
Type 2 diabetes mellitus	10 (12.2)	5 (6.3)	15 (9.3)
Gamma-glutamyltransferase increased	8 (9.8)	7 (8.8)	15 (9.3)
Alanine aminotransferase increased	9 (11.0)	5 (6.3)	14 (8.6)
Decreased appetite	6 (7.3)	7 (8.8)	13 (8.0)
Headache	5 (6.1)	7 (8.8)	12 (7.4)
Lipase increased	7 (8.5)	5 (6.3)	12 (7.4)
Vomiting	2 (2.4)	8 (10.0)	10 (6.2)
Abdominal pain upper	6 (7.3)	3 (3.8)	9 (5.6)
Adrenal insufficiency	4 (4.9)	5 (6.3)	9 (5.6)
Blood glucose increased	6 (7.3)	3 (3.8)	9 (5.6)
Alopecia	4 (4.9)	5 (6.3)	9 (5.6)

Preferred terms are presented in descending order of frequency for the overall group.

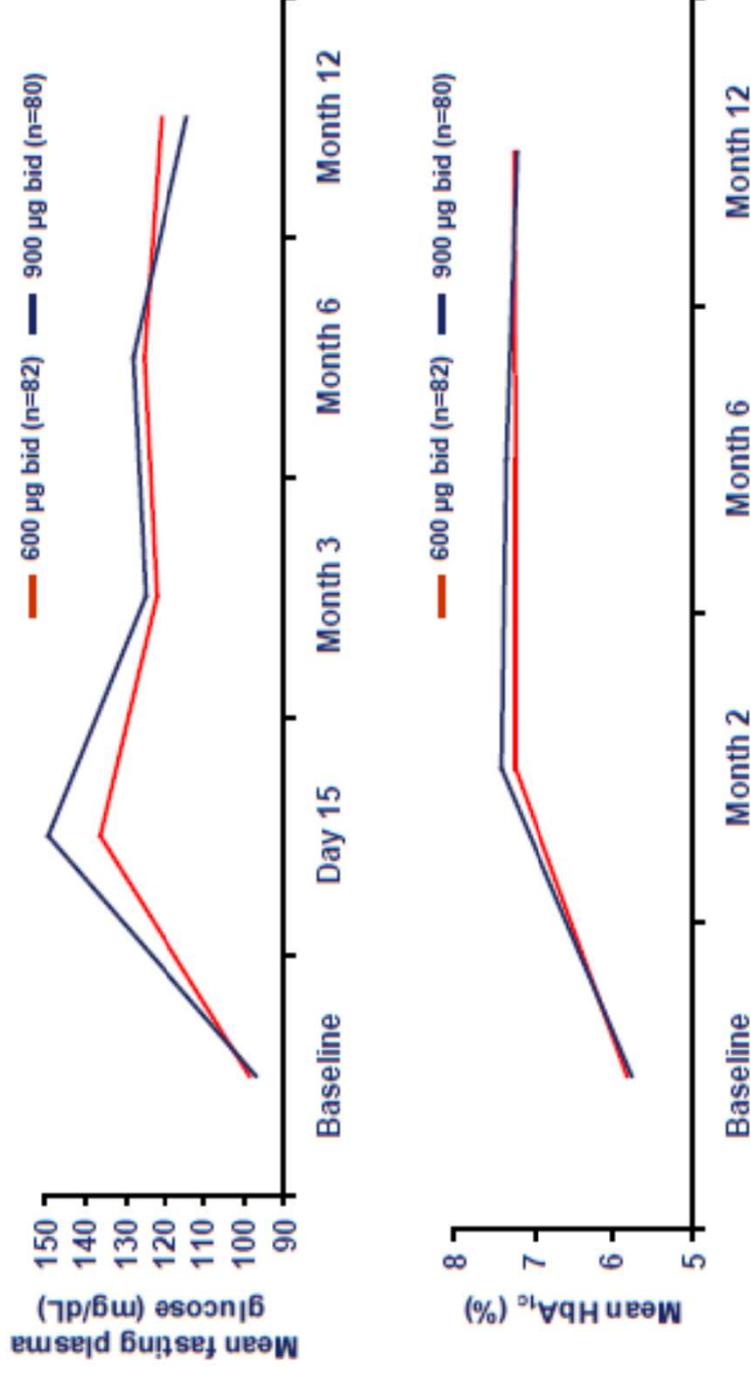
A subject with multiple occurrences of an AE under one treatment is counted only once in the AE category for that treatment.

N = number of patients in the safety analysis set

## Changes in glycemia

Visit	Pasireotide 600µg bid (N=82)		Pasireotide 900µg bid (N=80)	
	n	Mean fasting plasma glucose (mg/dL)	n	Mean HbA1c (%)
Baseline	79	98.6	77	97.1
Day 15	78	136.0	76	149.2
Month 3	69	122.0	66	124.7
Month 6	57	125.1	55	128.0
Month 12	39	120.9	38	114.4
		<b>Mean HbA1c (%)</b>		
Baseline	78	5.83	76	5.76
Month 2	73	7.24	66	7.41
Month 6	59	7.24	56	7.34
Month 12	40	7.25	38	7.21

## Changes in glycemia



*There were no events of diabetic ketoacidosis or hyperosmolar coma*

## Changes from baseline in diabetes status

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Baseline	Changes from baseline to last assessment, n (%)			
	Normal	Pre-diabetic	Diabetic	Missing
Normal (n=67)	14 (21)	29 (43)	23 (34)	1 (1.5)
Pre-diabetic (n=39)	1 (3)	9 (23)	28 (72)	1 (3)
Diabetic (n=55)	1 (2)	6 (11)	47 (85)	1 (2)
Missing (n=1)	1 (100)	0	0	0

Patients with pre-diabetes had a higher risk of developing diabetes  
Patients with diabetes at baseline had a greater increase in glucose and HbA1c

## Role of somatostatin in glucose metabolism

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- Somatostatin is an inhibitor of both insulin and glucagon secretion<sup>1</sup>
  - Binds with high affinity to the five somatostatin receptor subtypes<sup>2</sup>
  - sst<sub>2</sub> and sst<sub>5</sub> are the predominantly expressed subtypes in human pancreatic islet cells
- Inhibition of insulin is mediated mainly by sst<sub>2</sub> and sst<sub>5</sub> in humans<sup>3,4</sup>
- Inhibition of glucagon is mediated almost entirely by sst<sub>2</sub><sup>5,6</sup>
- Pasireotide is a multireceptor-targeted somatostatin analogue with high binding affinity for sst<sub>1-3</sub> and sst<sub>5</sub>

<sup>1</sup>Hauge-Evans AC et al. *Diabetes* 2009;58:403–411; <sup>2</sup>Patel YC. *Front Neuroendocrinol* 1999;20:157–198;

<sup>3</sup>Fagan SP et al. *Surgery* 1998;124:254–258; <sup>4</sup>Zambre Y et al. *Biochem Pharmacol* 1999;57:1159–1164;

<sup>5</sup>Singh V et al. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab* 2007;92:673–680; <sup>6</sup>Singh V et al. *Endocrinology* 2007;148:3887–3899

# Pasireotide and glucose metabolism

- The mechanisms of hyperglycemia seen with pasireotide sc at doses of 600 and 900 µg bid are related to:
  - Decreases in insulin secretion, as observed following OGTT and HCT
  - Significantly decreased incretin response, as observed following OGTT and HCT
- Pasireotide did not affect insulin sensitivity

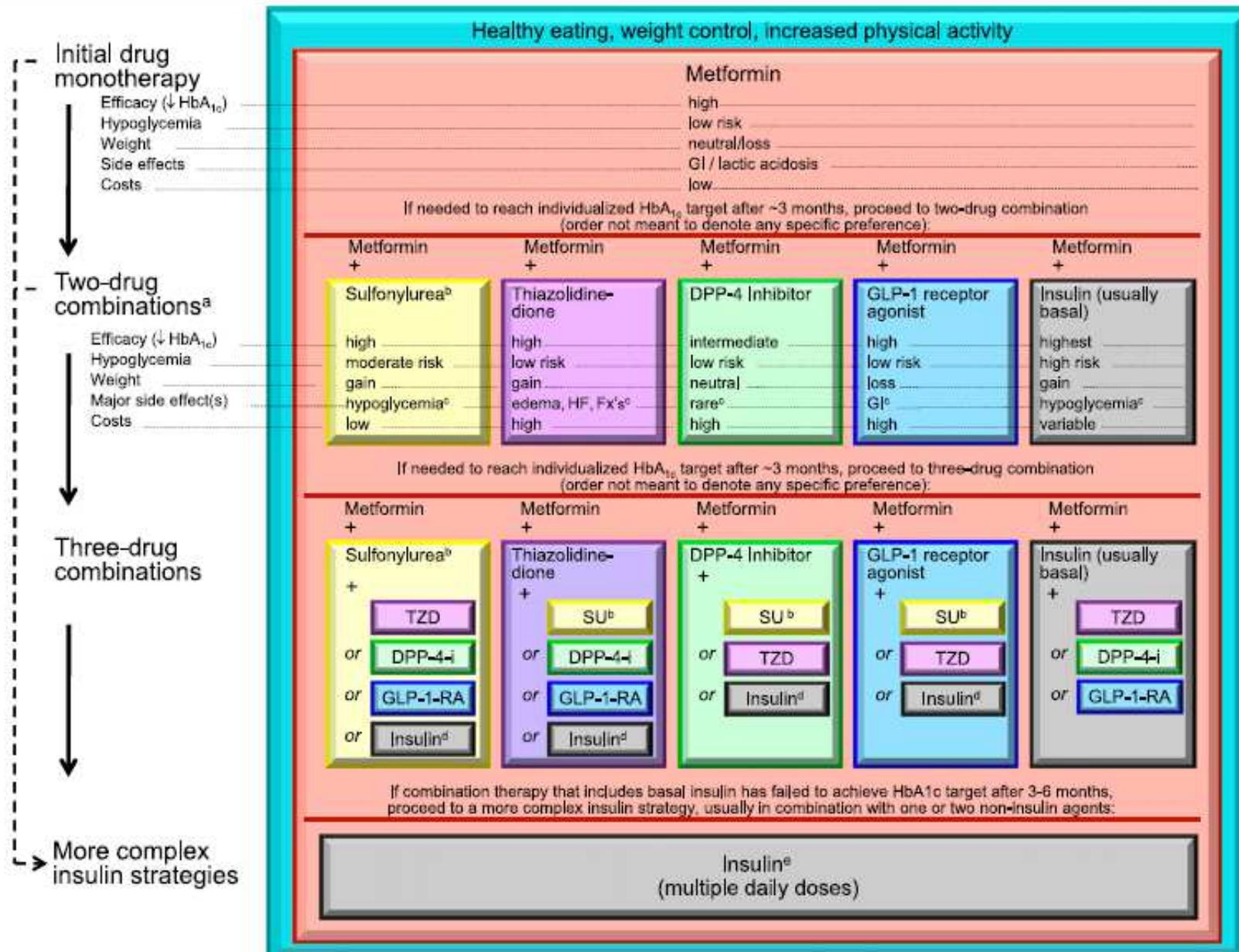
In healthy volunteers over a 7 day period:

- DPP-4 inhibitors (eg vildagliptin) and GLP-1 agonists (eg liraglutide) seemed to be the most effective drugs to ameliorate pasireotide-induced hyperglycemia
- In this study, metformin was not effective in treating the pasireotide-induced hyperglycemia

# Come curare il diabete nel Cushing?

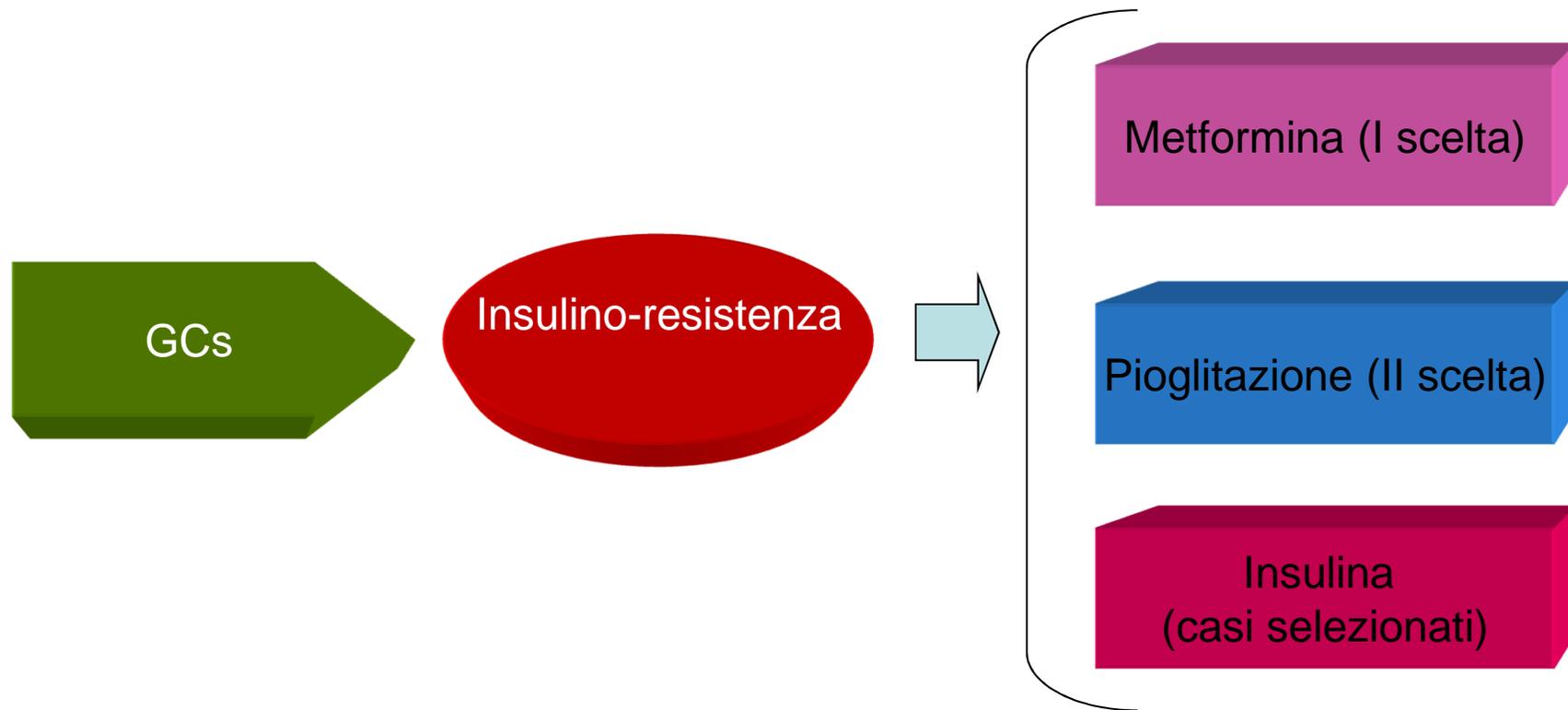
- E' sufficiente la cura/remissione del Cushing?
- Più efficiente la terapia chirurgica o medica?
- **Occorre terapia specifica del diabete?**

# Algoritmo terapia ipoglicemizzante nel DM2



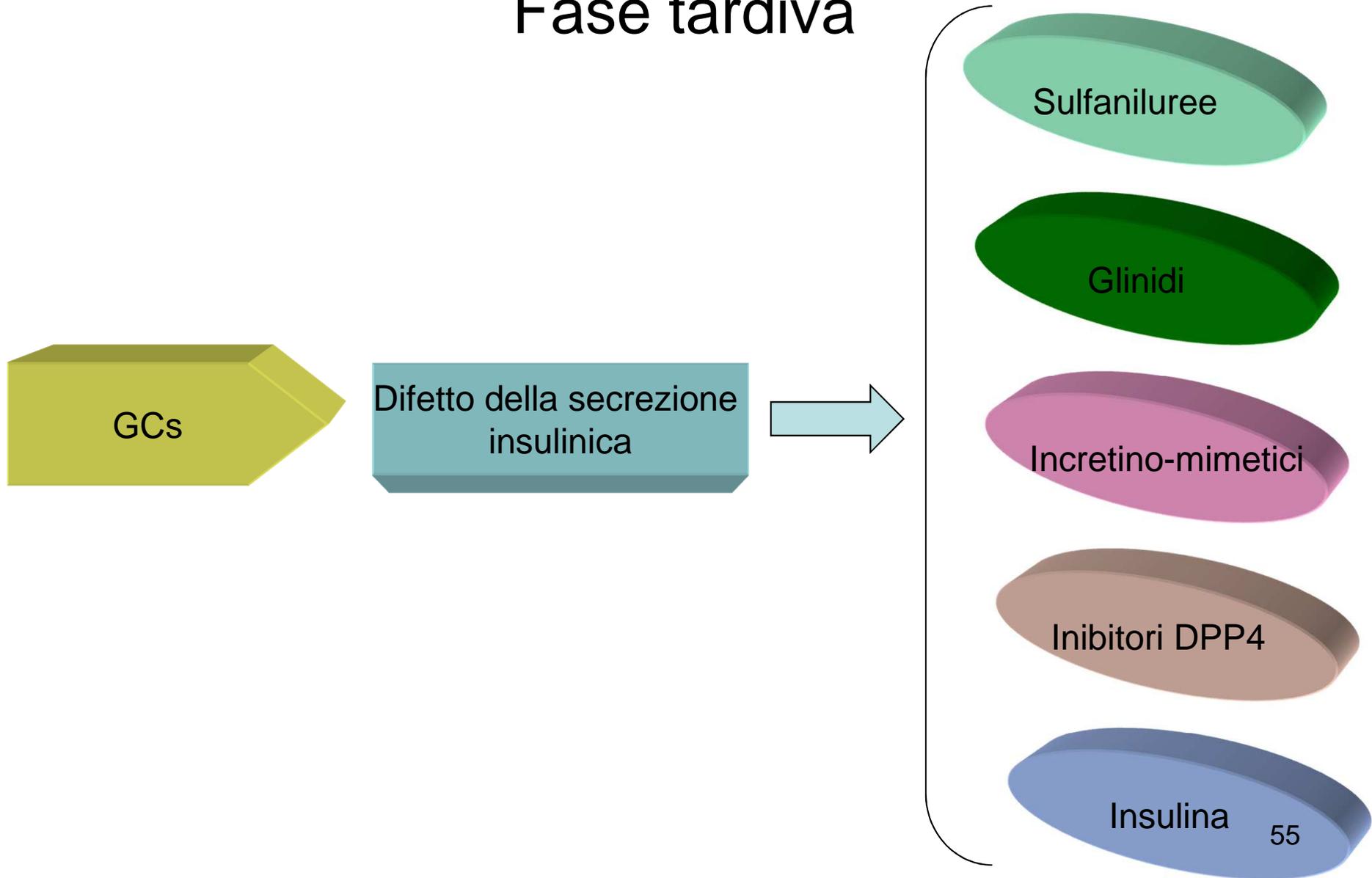
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## Fase precoce



# Trattamento del DM nel Cushing

## Fase tardiva



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