

Obesity Disorders of Nutrition

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Nutrition

- Provision of energy to organism (in the form of chemical energy)
 - 1 kcal - 4,186 kJ

nutrient	kJ/g
proteins	17,2
lipids	38,9
saccharides	17,2

- Provision of organic and anorganic substances for the body development

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Energy expenditure

- Basal metabolism - basal metabolic rate
 - energy expended daily at rest (transport mechanisms, biosynthesis, thermoregulation, functioning of the vital organs)
 - 5 900 - 8 400 kJ/day

organ	% of BMR
liver	26%
brain	18%
heart	9%

- Metabolism during physical activity

activity	kJ/h
watching TV	250
cleaning	1090
cleaning of the windows	1130
sex	1600
swimming	2800
running	3750

- Thermogenesis

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Necessary food components

- saccharides
- lipids
- proteins

- vitamins
- minerals - Na, K, Ca, Cl, Mg, P
- trace elements - Fe, Zn, Cr, Cu ...
- fibre
- water

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Optimal nutrition

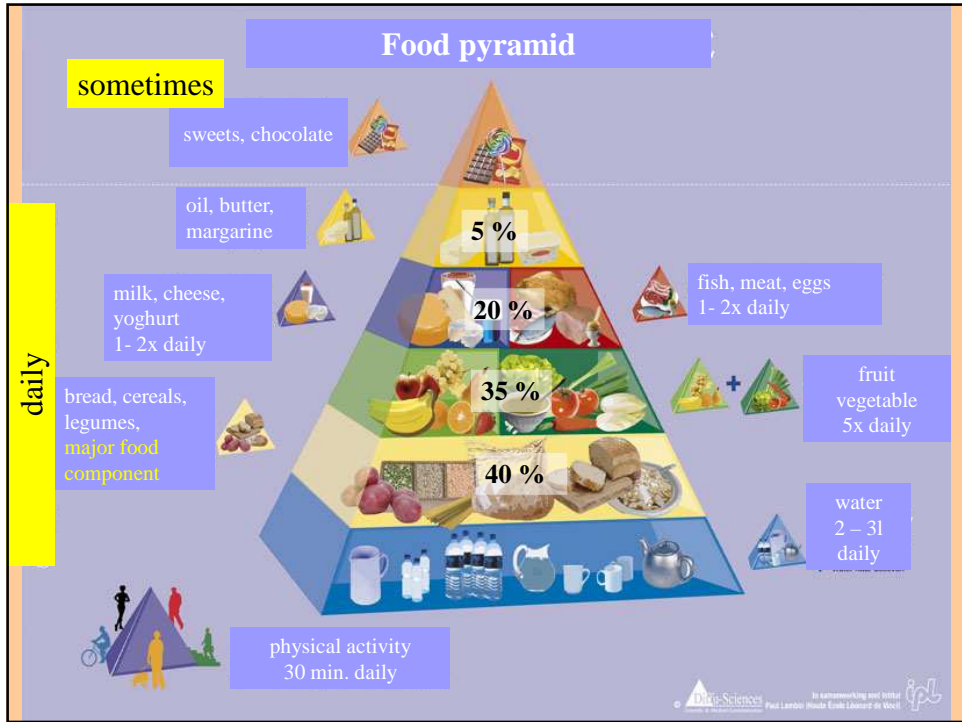
- Optimal energy intake
 - Depends on age, gender, lifestyle (intensity of physical activity at work, at home, in free time), health state (body size, healthy vs. acute/chronic disease, reconvalescence...) other factors (intensive growth period, pregnancy, lactation, climate...)
- Optimal basic nutrients ratio - proteins, lipids (↑ PUFA, ↓ cholesterol), carbohydrates
- Optimal intake of fibre (25-35 g/day)
- Optimal intake of vitamins and minerals (3-5 portions of fruits a 3-5 portions of vegetable/day)
- Lower intake of salt (3 - 5g/day)

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Recomended energy intake

- 55 - 60 % - saccharides
- max. 30 % - lipids
 - cca 10 % - saturated fatty acids
 - cca 10 % - monounsaturated fatty acids
 - cca 10 % - polyunsaturated fatty acids
(n-6 and n-3 polyunsaturated FA)
 - lower than 300 mg/day - cholesterol
- 10 - 15 % - proteins

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Disorders of nutrition



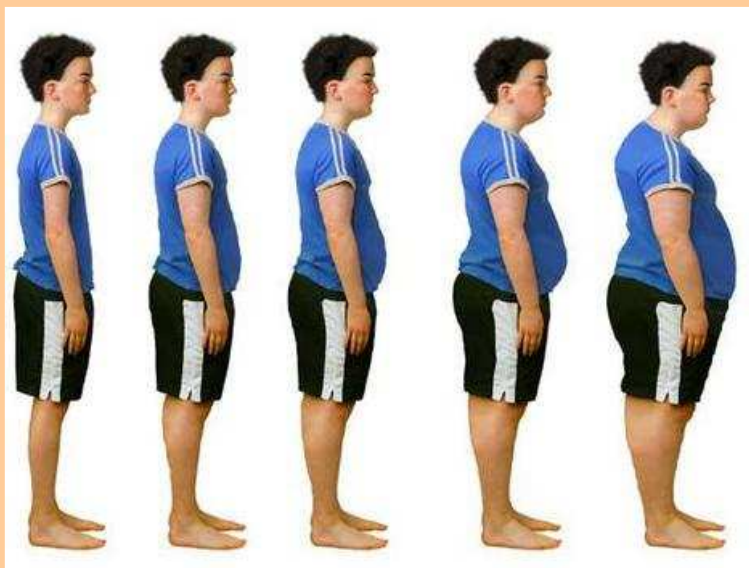
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Inadequate nutrition

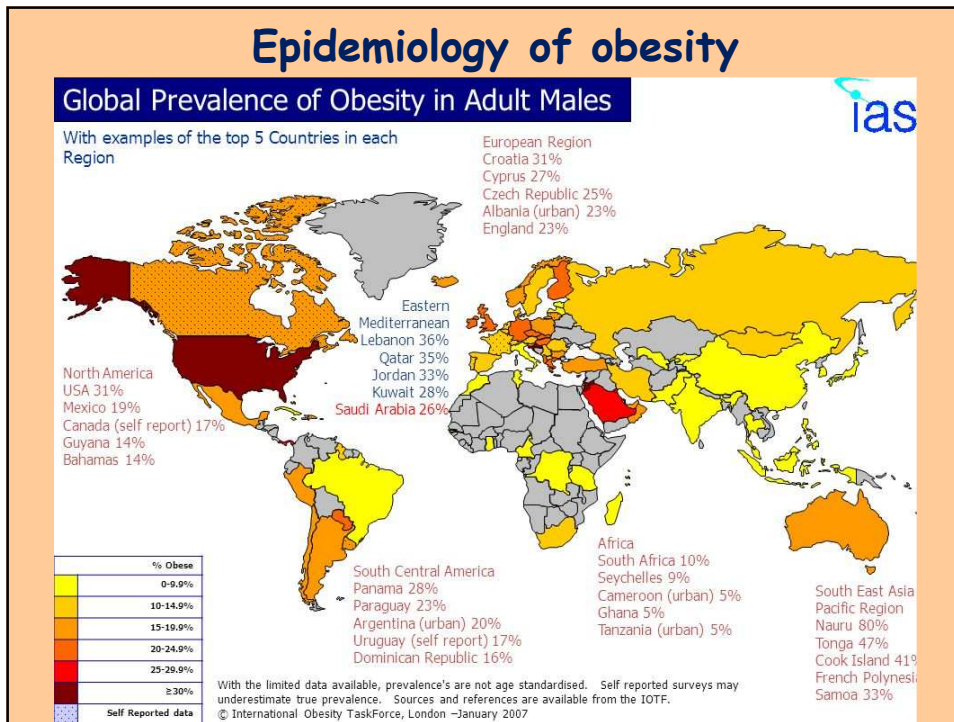
- **Overnutrition**
 - obesity (adiposity)
 - vitamin excess
- **Undernutrition**
 - quantitative - starvation
 - chronic undernutrition
 - qualitative - kwashiorkor
 - vitamin deficiency
 - trace elements deficiency

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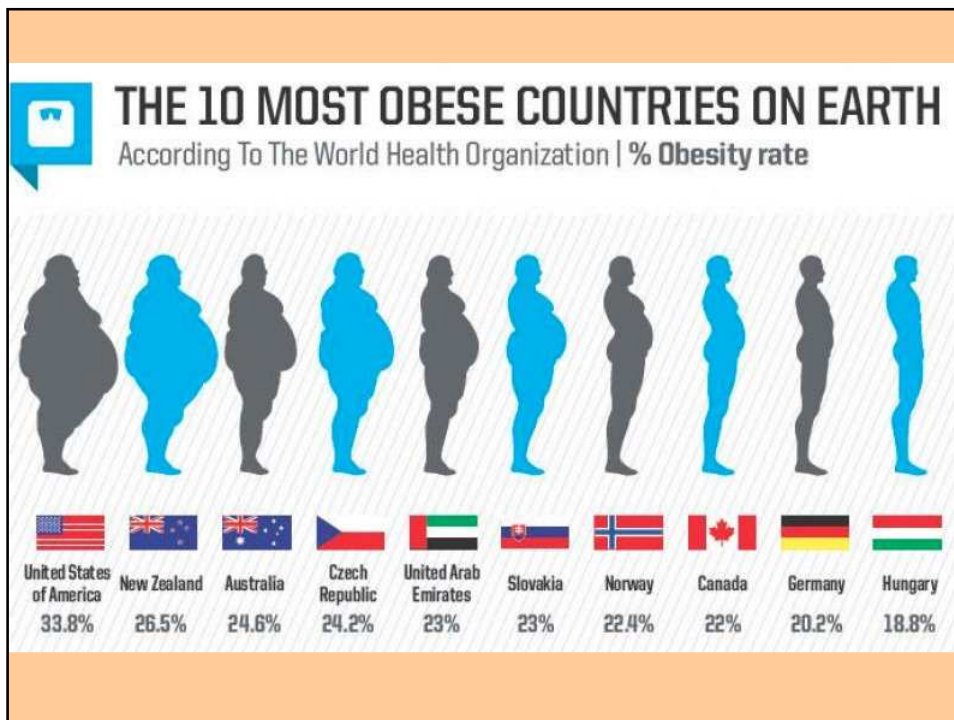
Obesity



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Definition

Obesity (adiposis, fatness) is a complex, multifactorial metabolic disorder defined as an excess of fat mass with an impact on health.



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Definitions

- **Obesity:** adiposity - accumulation of fat tissue



- **Overweight:** weight increased above the normal values

(BMI increased - fat, but also muscles, water, baby...)



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Etiology of obesity

1. Disequilibrium between energy intake and expenditure

- High calorie diet

- WHO - average energy intake
 - 1963 - 9660 kJ
 - 1971 - 10 250 kJ
 - 1992 - 11 420 kJ
 - 2010 - 12 200 kJ

- Sedentary lifestyle

2. Obesogens

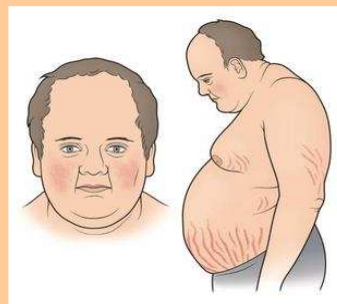
- chemical compounds that have effect to lipid metabolism and accumulation, and can lead to obesity
 - drugs (steroids [glucocorticoids], antidiabetics, antidepressants, antiepileptics, antihistamines, contraceptives)
 - substances occurring naturally in certain foods (e.g. phytoestrogens such as genistein found in soya)
 - substances added to foods (glucose-fructose syrup),
 - substances released into foods from plastics (phthalates),
 - pesticides (e.g. tributyltin)

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Etiology

3. Endocrine diseases

- rare
- Cushing's syndrome,
- hypothyroidism,
- hypogonadism,
- growth hormone deficiency,
- insulinoma



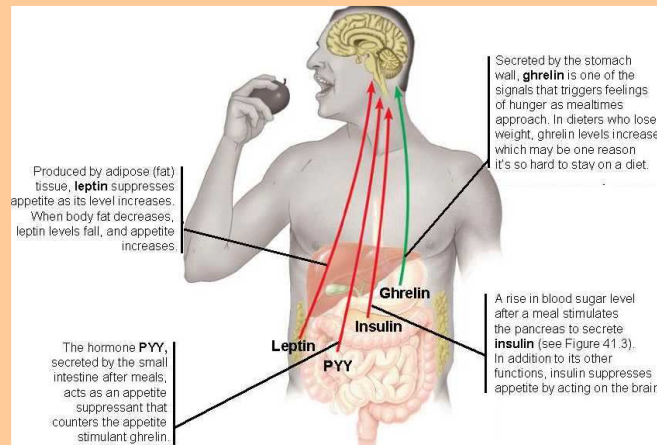
Cushing's syndrome

4. Hypothalamic obesity

- weight gain after hypothalamic damage
- rare in humans

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Hormones affecting energy balance	
Hormone	Function in obesity pathogenesis
Leptin	Reduces appetite, increases energy expenditure
Ghrelin	Stimulates the feeling of hunger and increases food intake, affects GIT activity and insulin secretion
Orexin	Increases appetite, reduces the feeling of satiety
Cortizol	In excess causes increased fat storage
T3, T4	Deficiency reduces energy expenditure independent of physical activity
Insulin	Stimulates fat storage



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Etiology

5. Other factors

- Easy availability of food
- Social, economic, cultural, psychical factors
- Ethnicity

Race and obesity in USA (2002 - 2007)				
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian
Average BMI	27	28.6	27.6	24
% of obese	24.5	36	28.6	7

- Eating disorders - binge eating, night binge eating
- Stress
- Virus infection - adenoviruses (by affecting adipocyte growth and differentiation, glucose uptake by cells, and inhibiting leptin production by adipose tissue)
- Sleep deprivation (reduction of leptin production and increase of ghrelin and orexin levels, leading to appetite stimulation, increased food intake, and subsequent obesity).

6. Inherited obesity ???

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Genetics of obesity

I can't blame myself for being fat. It's FTO gene.



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Monogenic obesity

- Obesity caused by single gene mutation
- Extremely rare
- Mutations of genes of the leptin/melanocortin axis → abnormality in food intake regulation
- Severe obesity, early onset

Examples

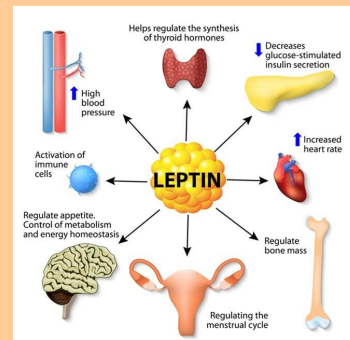
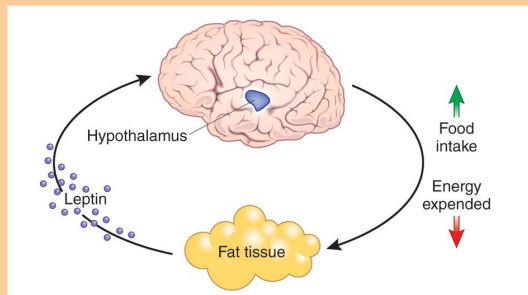
- Mutation of leptin gene
- Mutation of leptin receptor gene
- Mutation of proopiomelanocortin gene
- Mutation of proconvertase 1 gene
- ...

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Leptin

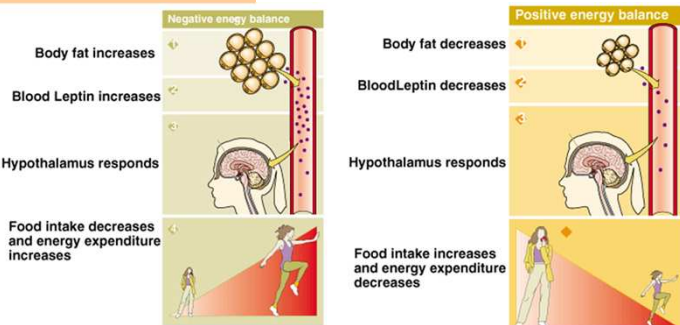
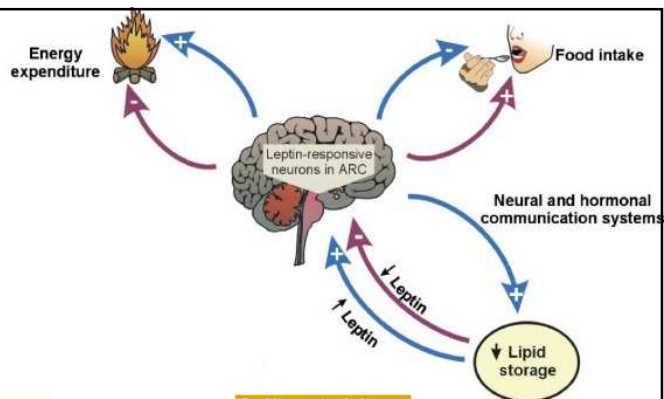


- Hormon produced mainly by white adipose tissue
- Encoded by the *Ob(Lep)* gene on ch7
- Receptor *LEP-R* located mainly in hypothalamus
- Leptin is produced by adipose tissue (much adipose tissue - much leptin) → binding to receptors in hypothalamus → inhibits hunger and increases basal metabolism and spontaneous physical activity → reduction of adipose tissue



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Leptin



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Syndromic obesity

- Obesity associated with genetic syndromes
- Can be monogenic or chromosomal syndromes
- Very rare
- Severe obesity associated with additional phenotypes (mental retardation, dysmorphic features, organ abnormalities...)

Examples

- Prader-Willi syndrome
- Bardet-Biedl syndrome
- Cohen syndrome
- Alström syndrome
- Fragile X syndrome
- ... other more than 100 syndromes (Down sy., Turner sy., Klinefelter sy.)

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Prader-Willi syndrome

- Genetic disease that affects hypothalamic-pituitary axis

Causes

- > 75% - deletion of long arm of paternal chromosome 15
- < 25% - uniparental disomia of maternal ch15, defect of imprinting

Signs

- Obesity
- Hypotonia
- Hypogonadism
- Mild intellectual disability
- Prominent nasal bridge, small hands and feet with tapering of fingers, soft skin, which is easily bruised, thin upper lip, downturned mouth



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Bardet-Biedl syndrome

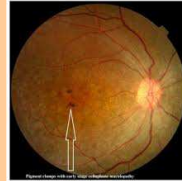
- Genetic disease that affects many organ systems
- Frequency 1:150 000

Causes

- AR inherited mutation of one from BBS genes (14 genes)
- Damage of structure or function of cilia

Signs

- Obesity + insulin resistance, hypertension, hypercholesterolemia
- Retinitis pigmentosa - night blindness, loss of vision, strabismus, cataract
- Polydactyly - sometimes brachydactyly, syndactyly
- Hypogonadism + renal failure, defects of urinary tract



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Genetics of common obesity

- Polygenic - genetic predisposition + environmental factors
- Majority of obesity

Examples of candidate genes

- FTO gene
- MC4R, TMEM18, KCTD15and many many other

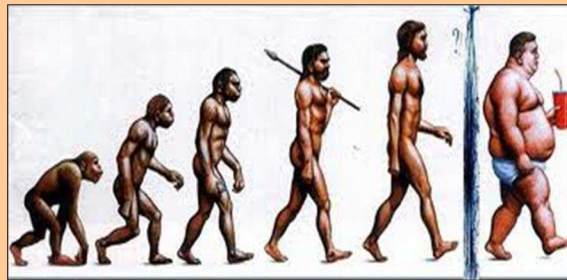
FTO gene

- Fat mass and obesity-associated gene - chromosome 16
- Protein alpha-ketoglutarate-dependent dioxygenase
- Function in regulation of food intake - satiety, appetite, overeating
- Increased risk of obesity - heterozygotes weigh on average 1.2 kilograms more than people with no copies, homozygotes weigh 3 kilograms more
- Increased risk of diabetes mellitus type 2, metabolic syndrome, dyslipidemia, Alzheimer's disease

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Thrifty gene hypothesis

- The **thrifty gene hypothesis** - connections between low quality fetal and infant growth followed by diabetes mellitus type 2 and metabolic syndrome caused by poor nutrition during early childhood, produces permanent effects in glucose-insulin metabolism.
- Genes which predispose to diabetes (called 'thrifty genes') were historically advantageous, but they became detrimental in the modern world. Thrifty genes are genes which enable individuals to efficiently collect and process food to deposit fat during periods of food abundance.



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Classification of obesity



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Classification of obesity

(according to localization of subcutaneous adipose tissue)



Abdominal obesity

- Belly fat, central obesity, android obesity, apple type, men type
- Much frequent visceral obesity

Gynoid obesity

- Lower body obesity, gluteal-femoral obesity, pear type, female type

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Adipose tissue

- Fat tissue, type of connective tissue

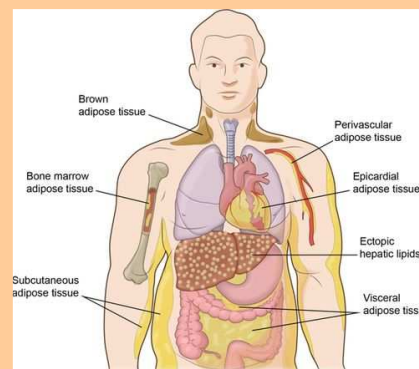
Structure

- Adipocytes, vascular endothelial cells, fibroblasts, adipocyte progenitors, leukocytes, macrophages



Localisation

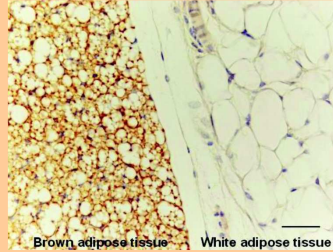
- Subcutaneous - 80 % (abdominal, gluteo-femoral)
- Between muscular fibres
- Visceral - around the digestive organs (mesenteric and omental) and the retroperitoneal depot (kidney)
- In bone marrow



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Adipose tissue

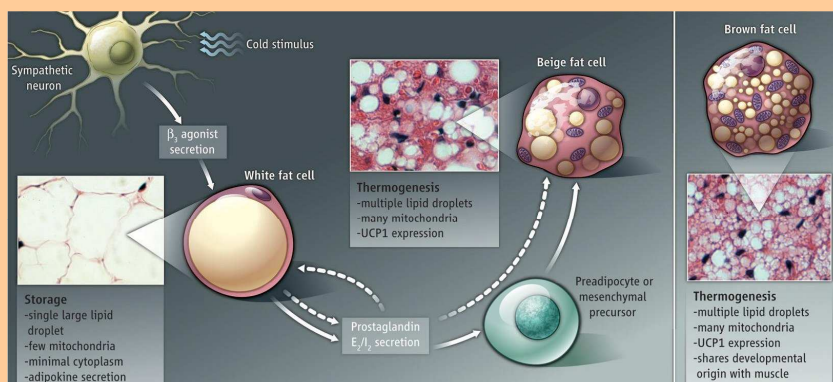
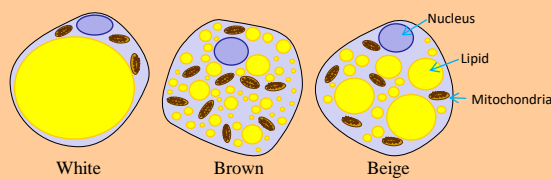
- Types of adipose tissue
 - White adipose tissue
 - Brown adipose tissue
 - Beige adipose tissue



- Function
 - Energy storage
 - Body insulation
 - Thermoregulation
 - Endocrine function - production of adipokines and cytokines
 - Insulin resistance and diabetes mellitus
 - Metabolic syndrome
 - Chronic inflammation
 - Cancer

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Types of adipose tissue



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Types of adipose tissue

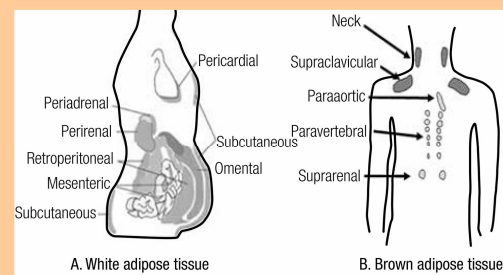
- **White**

- **Function**

- fat storage
 - increased body weight
 - decreased energy expenditure
 - decreased insulin sensitivity

- **Location**

- Subcutaneous, visceral



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Types of adipose tissue

- **Brown**

- **Function**

- Thermogenesis
 - Whole-body energy and glucose homeostasis
 - Increased energy expenditure
 - Decreased body weight
 - Increased insulin sensitivity

- **Location**

- Newborn - interscapular, perirenal area
 - Adult - cervical, subclavicular, axillary, paravertebral, suprarenal area

- **Beige**

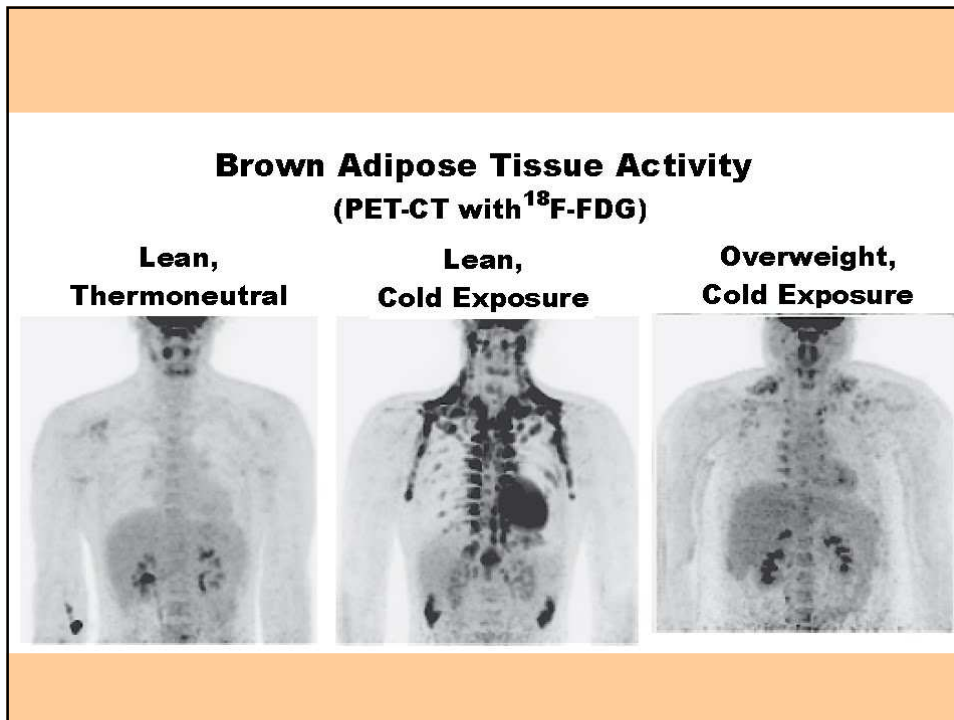
- **Function**

- As brown adipose tissue

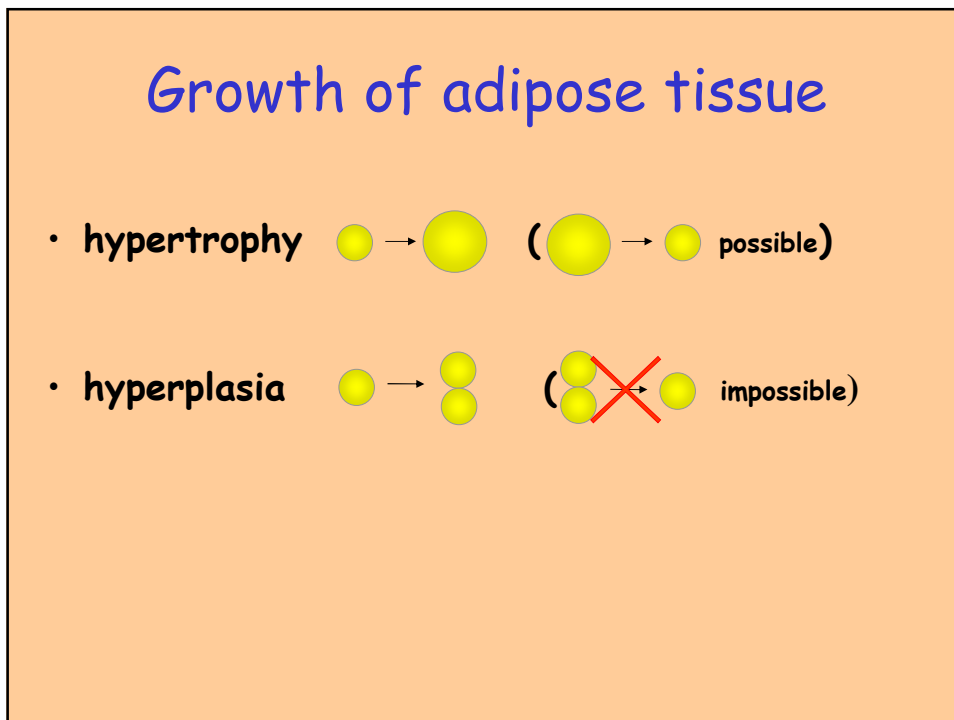
- **Location**

- In subcutaneous white adipose tissue

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Localisation of adipose tissue

- Subcutaneous
- Visceral



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Visceral fat

- Intraabdominal white adipose tissue

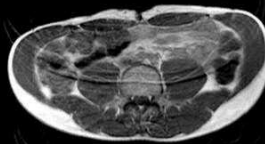
Amount of visceral fat and subcutaneous/visceral fat ratio depends on:

- Genetic predisposition
- Gender
 - Men in any age (testosterone)
 - Women after menopause
- Age
 - Older people
- Total amount of fat in organism
- Energy intake

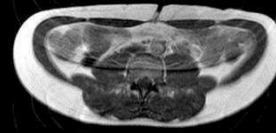
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Visceral fat

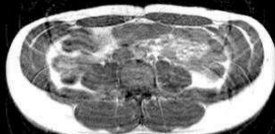
Variation in visceral fat content in men with the same waist circumference.



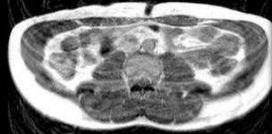
Visceral fat = 0.5 L



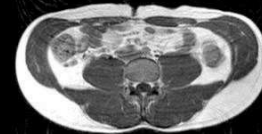
Visceral fat = 1.1 L



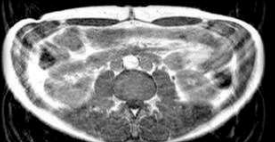
Visceral fat = 1.2 L



Visceral fat = 1.3 L



Visceral fat = 1.7 L



Visceral fat = 1.8 L



Visceral fat = 4.2 L



Visceral fat = 4.3 L

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„Metabolic obesity“

- Metabolically obese, normal-weight (MONW) people
 - Normal BMI, suffer from metabolic complications found in obese people
- Metabolically healthy obese (MHO) people
 - BMI > 30 kg/m², without metabolic complications typical for obese people

The main risk factor of metabolic complications is **visceral fat**

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Why is visceral fat risky?

- Increased lipolytic activity - leads to hyperlipidemia
- Causes hyperinsulinemia and insulin resistance
- Produces hormones and cytokines

consequently

- Visceral fat is risk factor of:
 - Cardiovascular diseases
 - Diabetes mellitus type 2
 - Some cancers - cancer of endometrium, prostata...

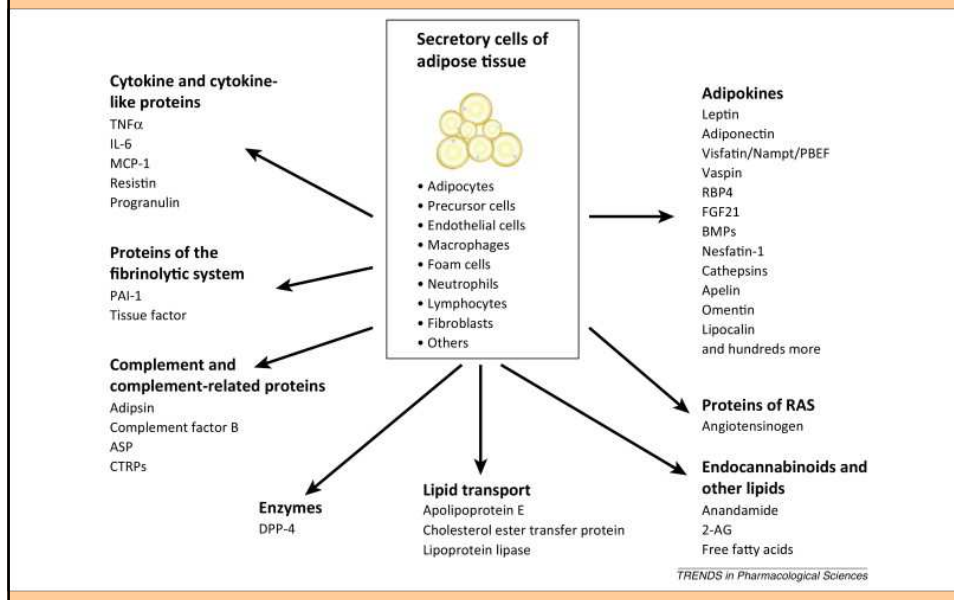
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Hormones produced by adipose tissue

- **Leptin**
 - regulation of adipose tissue mass through central hypothalamus mediated effects on hunger, food energy use, physical exercise and energy balance
 - contraregulation hormone is **ghrelin** („hunger hormone“), hormone produced by ghrelin cells in stomach when stomach is empty
- **Adiponektin**
 - regulates glycemia, and oxidation of fatty acids
 - enhances energy metabolism and fatty acid oxidation by activating peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR γ)
 - promotes fatty acid combustion and promotes insulin sensitivity by activating AMP-activated protein kinase
 - decreased in obesity, type-2 diabetes, and coronary artery disease
 - increased in anorexia
- **Estrogens**
- **Angiotensinogen** - promotes the development of hypertension in obese people (produced mainly in liver)

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Adipokines and cytokines



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Metabolic syndrome

metabolic syndrome X, syndrome X, insulin resistance syndrome, Reaven's syndrome

Metabolic syndrome is a combination of medical disorders that increase the risk of developing cardiovascular disease and diabetes. It affects one in five people, and prevalence increases with age.

Signs and symptoms

- Fasting hyperglycemia — diabetes mellitus type 2 or impaired fasting glucose, impaired glucose tolerance, or insulin resistance
- High blood pressure
- Central obesity
- Decreased HDL cholesterol
- Elevated triglycerides

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Metabolic syndrome

New classification - Berlin 2005

At least three of the following signs:



✦ **Abdominal obesity**

waist circumference
men > 94 cm
women > 80 cm

✦ **Elevated triglycerides**

TAG > 1,7 mmol/l

✦ **Reduced HDL-cholesterol**

men < 0,9 mmol/l
women < 1,1 mmol/l

✦ **Elevated blood pressure**

> 130/85 mmHg
or use of medication for
hypertension

✦ **Elevated fasting glucose**

> 5,6 mmol/l
or use of medication for diabetes

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Measurement of obesity

• **Body mass index**

$$BMI = \frac{\text{mass in kg}}{(\text{height in m})^2}$$

Classification	BMI Category (kg/m ²)	Risk of Developing Health Problems
Underweight	< 18.5	Increased
Normal Weight	18.5 – 24.9	Least
Overweight	25.0 – 29.9	Increased
Obese		
Class I	30.0 – 34.9	High
Class II	35.0 – 39.9	Very High
Class III	≥ 40.0	Extremely High

• **Brocc's index (old)**

Normal weight = height in cm - 100

Ideal weight = (height in cm - 100) - 10-15%

• **Skin fold**

(biceps, triceps, subscapular, suprailiacal...)

Fat: men 10 - 20% of body weight

women 20 - 30% of body weight

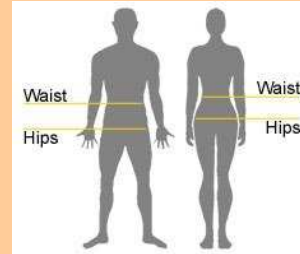


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Measurement of obesity

- **Waist to hip ratio (WHR)**

WHR > 1,0 in men abdominal obesity
 > 0,8 in women



- **Waist circumference**

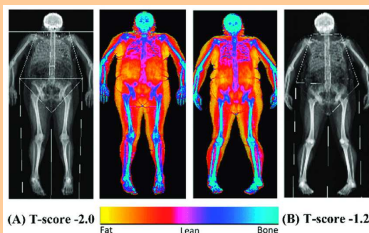
Men > 94 cm, women > 80 cm - increased risk
 Men > 102 cm, women > 88 cm - very increased risk



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Other methods

- Bioelectric Impedance (BIA)
- Underwater Weighing (Densitometry)
- Air-Displacement Plethysmography
- Dilution Method (Hydrometry)
- Dual Energy X-ray Absorptiometry (DEXA)
- Computerized Tomography (CT) and Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)



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Complications of obesity

- Metabolic complications
 - Insulin resistance - hyperinsulinemia - DM type 2
 - dislipidemia
 - hyperuricemia...
- Endocrine diseases
 - hypogonadism
 - Hyposecretion of growth hormone...
- CVS diseases
 - hypertension
 - ICHS
 - arrhythmias
- Respiratory diseases
 - Pickwick syndrome
 - Sleep apnoea syndrome...
- GIT and liver
 - gastroezophageal reflux
 - cholelithiasis
 - pankreatitis
 - liver steatosis...
- Gynecologic complications
 - oligomenhorhea
 - complications during pregnancy...
- Onkologic complications
 - Kolorectal ca...
- Psychosocial complicaqtions
 - social discrimination
 - depression
 - eating disorders
- Other

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Malnutrition



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Causes

- **exogenous**
 - inadequate intake of nutrients (starvation, loss of appetite, mental anorexia)
- **endogenous**
 - disorders of digestion
 - disorders of absorption
 - disorders of metabolism
 - increased nutrient requirements (hyperthyroidism, gravidity, lactation, convalescence...)
 - loss of body fluids (bleeding)
 - loss of proteins (nephrotic syndrome)

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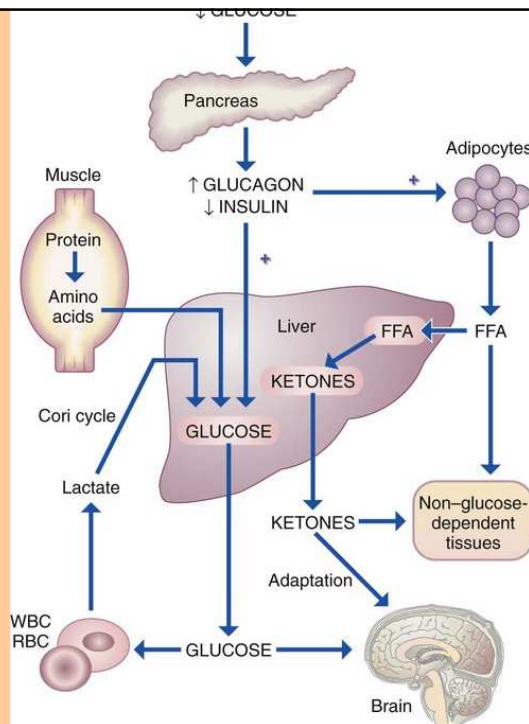
Higher risk of malnutrition

- poor people
- sucklings and children
- adolescents in period of accelerated growing
- old people
- people on radical diet
- vegetarians
- alcoholics a people on drugs
- patients with AIDS
- patients with chronic GIT, liver, kidney diseases



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Starvation



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Metabolic changes during starvation

The body mobilizes reserves

- The stores of glycogen are converted to glucose (12 - 24 h)
- Glucose is produced by gluconeogenic pathway in liver
- \downarrow concentration of glucose
- \downarrow concentration of insulin, \uparrow concentration of glucagon
- \uparrow lipolysis and β -oxidation of fatty acids
- Hyperlipidaemia, ketoacidosis
- After using of fatty stores - catabolism of proteins

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Protein Energy Malnutrition PEM

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Marasmus

- inadequate intake of all nutrients
- cause: poorness, psychic disease, starvation...



Clinical signs

- in children: weight loss, muscle atrophy, weakness, fatigue, decreased immune function, anaemia, delayed wound healing
- in adults: cachexia



Fig. 8-2 (A-E) Losses of subcutaneous fat reserves and muscle mass in patients with marasmus.

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Kwashiorkor

- protein malnutrition (adequate energy supply - saccharides)
- signs: oedema, growth retardation, weight loss, skin and hair depigmentation, thin and sensitive skin, diarrhea, anaemia, apatia, muscle atrophy, immunodeficiency, low serum protein concentration



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Cachexia

- extreme thinness, extreme skinny
- Wasting syndrome

Causes

- Undernutrition (marasmus, anorexia...)
- Cancers
- AIDS
- Chronic diseases - COPD
- ...

Mechanisms

- Not fully understood
- Changes in metabolism (cytokines e.g. TNF)
- Changes in appetite regulation (leptin)



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Specific (qualitative) malnutrititions

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- protein deficiency - kwashiorkor
- iodine deficiency - endemic goiter
- vitamin A deficiency - xerostomia, xeroftalmia
- Fe, folic acid, vit. B₁₂ deficiency - anaemias
- vitamin D, Ca, Mg, P deficiency - osteopaties (rickets, osteomalacia, osteoporosis)
- tiamin deficiency - beri-beri
- riboflavin deficiency - oral cavity inflammation
- niacin deficiency - pelagra
- vitamin C - scurvy



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Eating disorders



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- Mental anorexia (anorexia nervosa)
- Mental bulimia
- Causes



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Mental anorexia



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Anorexia (gr.) - lack of desire to eat

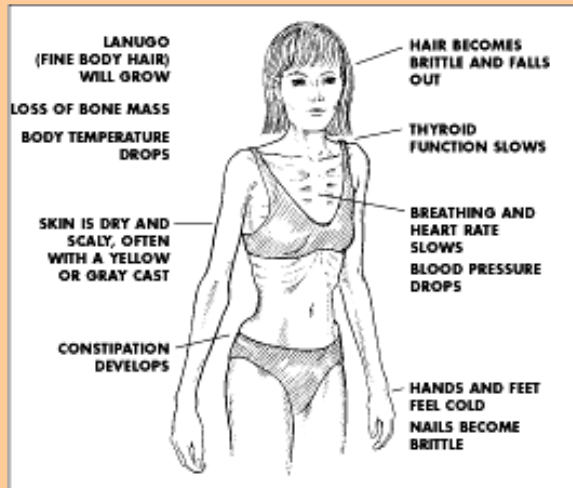
- Anorexia nervosa - eating disorder characterized by extreme weight control

Diagnostic criteria

- obsessive fear of gaining weight, control body weight through voluntary starvation, excessive exercise, diet pills...
- pathological fear of being obese
- amenorrhoea in women

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Symptoms



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Mental bulimia

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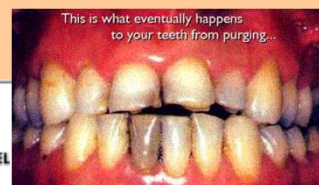
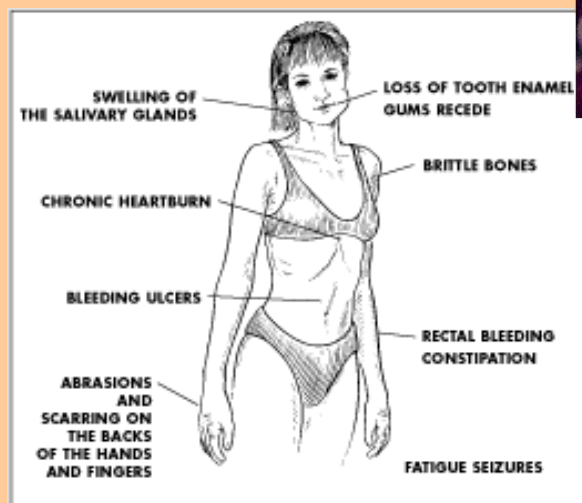
- Mental bulimia - eating disorder characterized by repeated episodes of overeating followed by exaggerated weight control

Diagnostic criteria

- strong desire to eat (big amount and strange combination)
- to avoid being fat - vomiting, laxatives abuse, diuretics abuse, episodes of starvation,
- pathological fear to be obese

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Symptoms



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Other eating disorders

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Binge eating, an eating disorder with episodes of uncontrollable eating. During these episodes, a person rapidly consumes an excessive amount of food. They try to hide this behaviour from others, and often feel ashamed about being fat or depressed about their overeating. Eating binges can be followed by so-called compensatory behaviour: purging, fasting and heavy exercising.

Night eating syndrome, an eating disorder, parasomnia, characterized by a pattern of late-night binge eating.



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Thank you!



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