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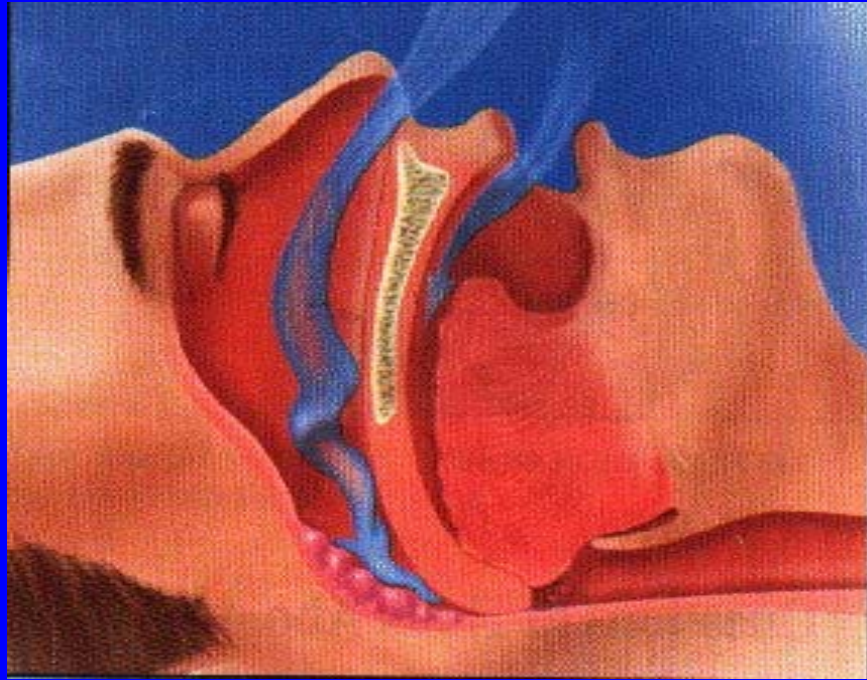
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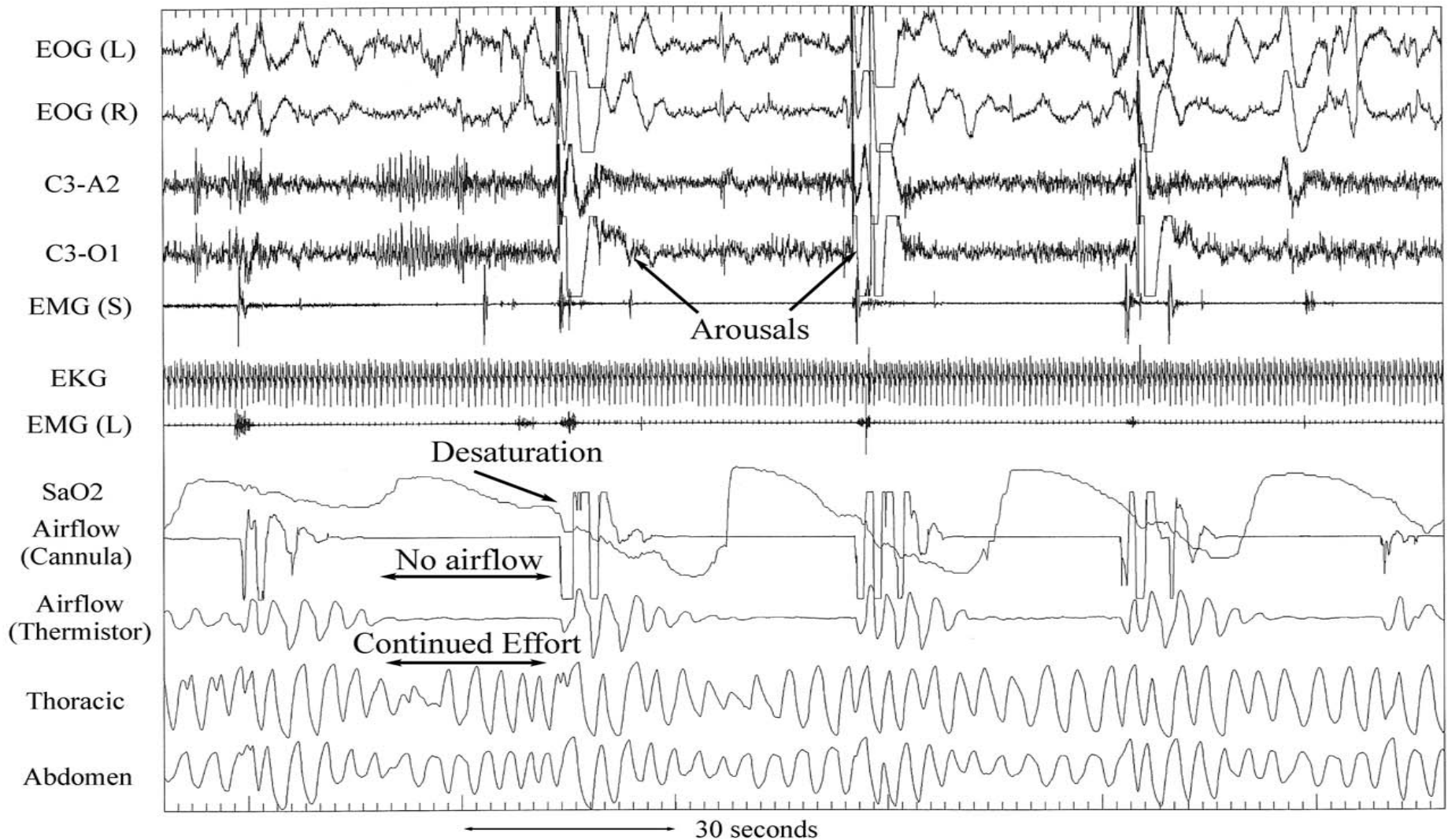
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TRACING OF OBSTRUCTIVE APNEAS DURING SLEEP



PREVALENCE

AHI ≥ 5 : 24% in men and 9% in women

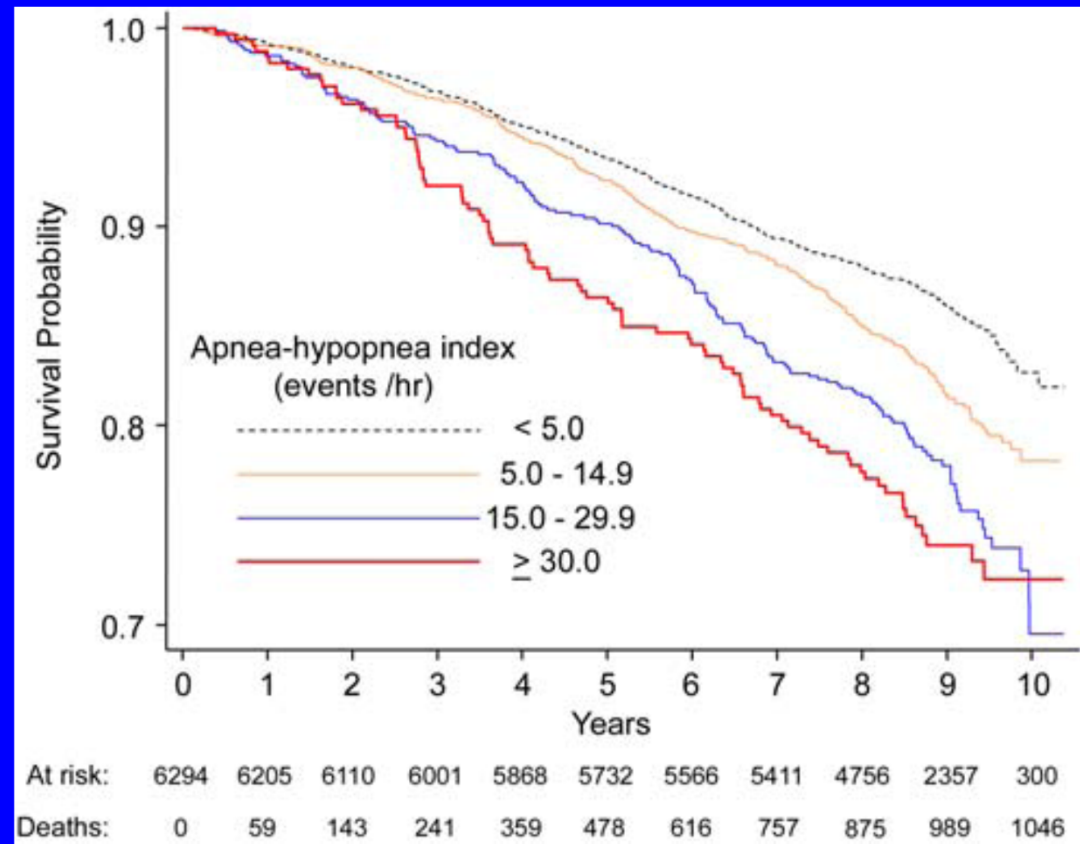
(Young et al., 1993)

30-60% in obese individuals

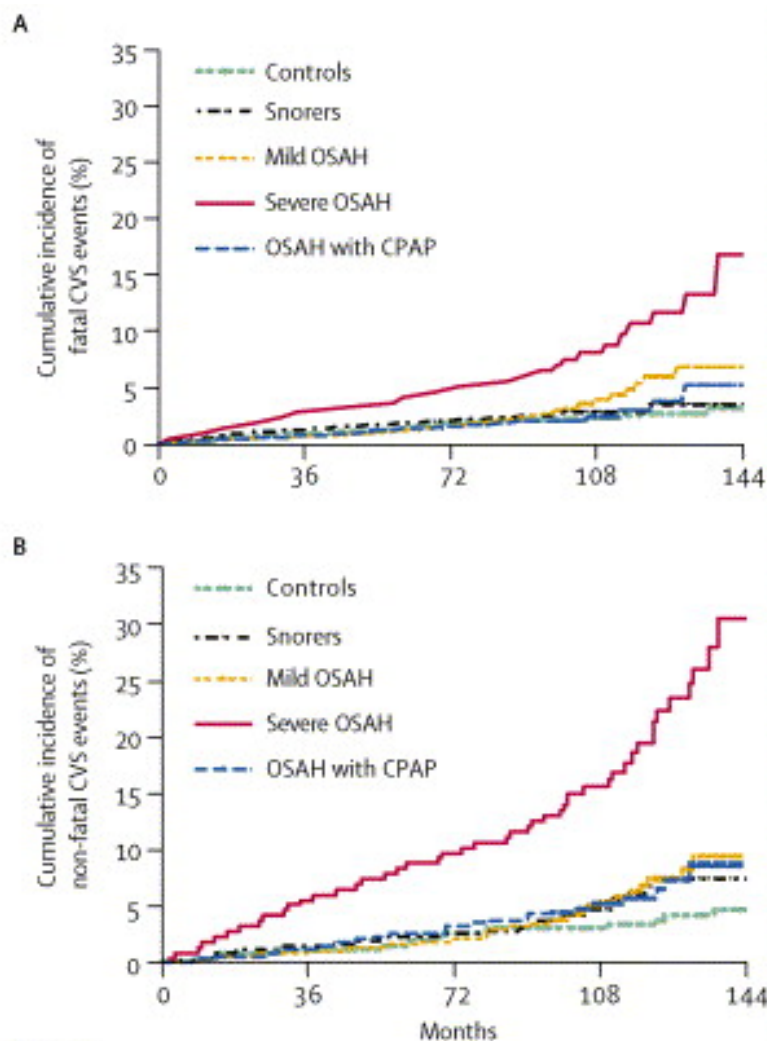
**(Vgontzas, 2000; Punjabi 2002; Young 1993 and 2002;
Tufik 2010)**



Sleep-Disordered Breathing and Mortality: a Prospective Cohort Study



Punjabi NM et al. PLoS Med. 2009 Aug;6(8):e1000132. Epub 2009 Aug 18.



Numbers at risk

Controls	264	262	259	258
Snorers	377	372	361	232
Mild OSAH	403	401	392	264
Severe OSAH	235	229	221	167
OSAHS with CPAP	372	364	361	229

**Marin JM, Carrizo SJ, Vicente E, Agusti AG.
Lancet. 2005 Mar 19-25;365(9464):1046-53.**

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Metabolic Syndrome (NCEP, 2001 and AHA/NHLBI, 2004)

Any 3 of the following

- **Abdominal obesity**
- **Serum triglycerides > 150 mg/dl**
- **HDL-C < 40 mg/dl in men and < 50 mg/dl in women**
- **BP $> 130/85$ (or treated for HTN)**
- **Fasting blood glucose > 100 mg/dl (or Medx)**

+ Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

- **Obstructive Sleep Apnea, Insulin Resistance and Type 2 Diabetes**
- **Obstructive Sleep Apnea and Dysregulation of Lipid Metabolism**
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Obstructive Sleep Apnea Is Independently Associated with Insulin Resistance

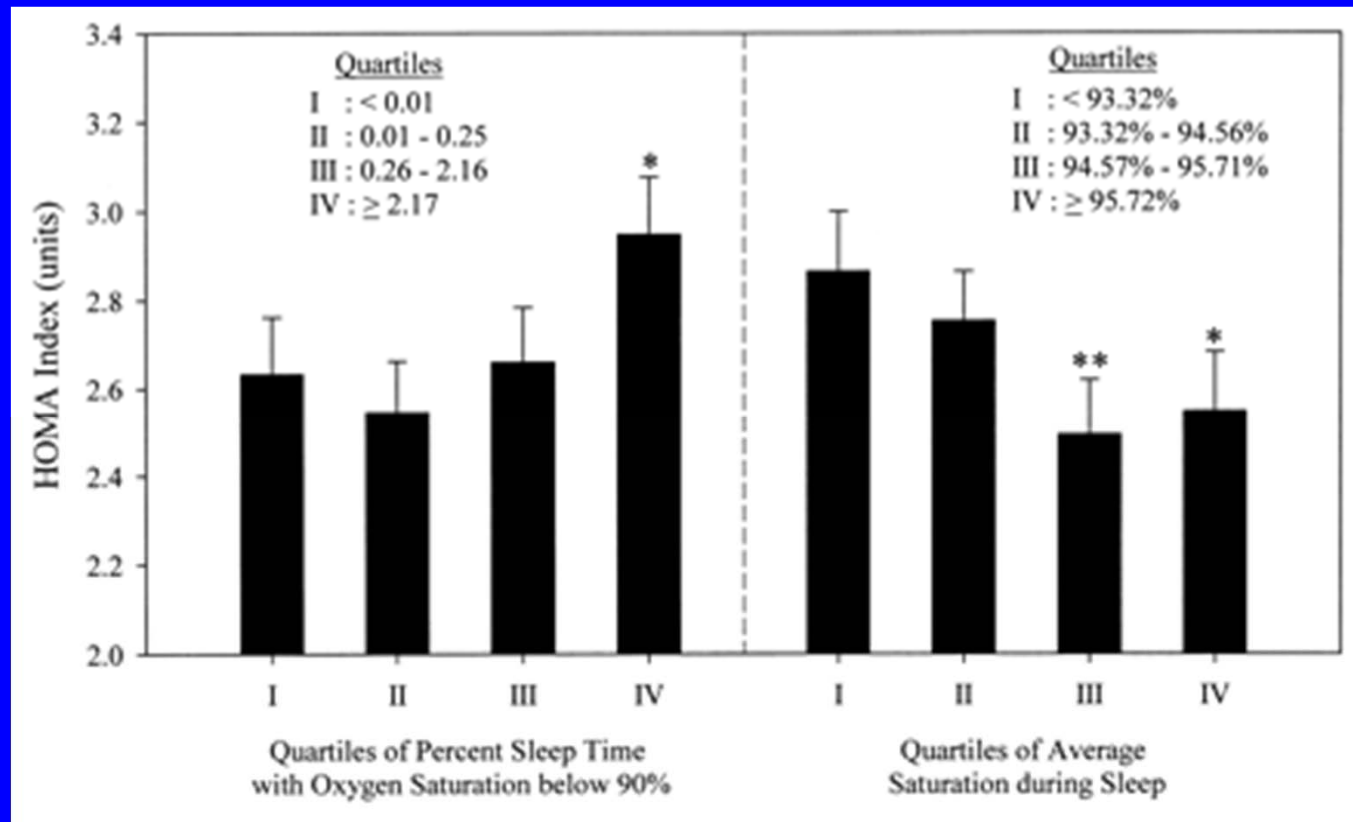
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Am J Respir Crit Care Med Vol 165. pp 670–676, 2002

Sleep-disordered Breathing and Insulin Resistance in Middle-aged and Overweight Men

NARESH M. PUNJABI, JOHN D. SORKIN, LESLIE I. KATZEL, ANDREW P. GOLDBERG, ALAN R. SCHWARTZ, and PHILIP L. SMITH

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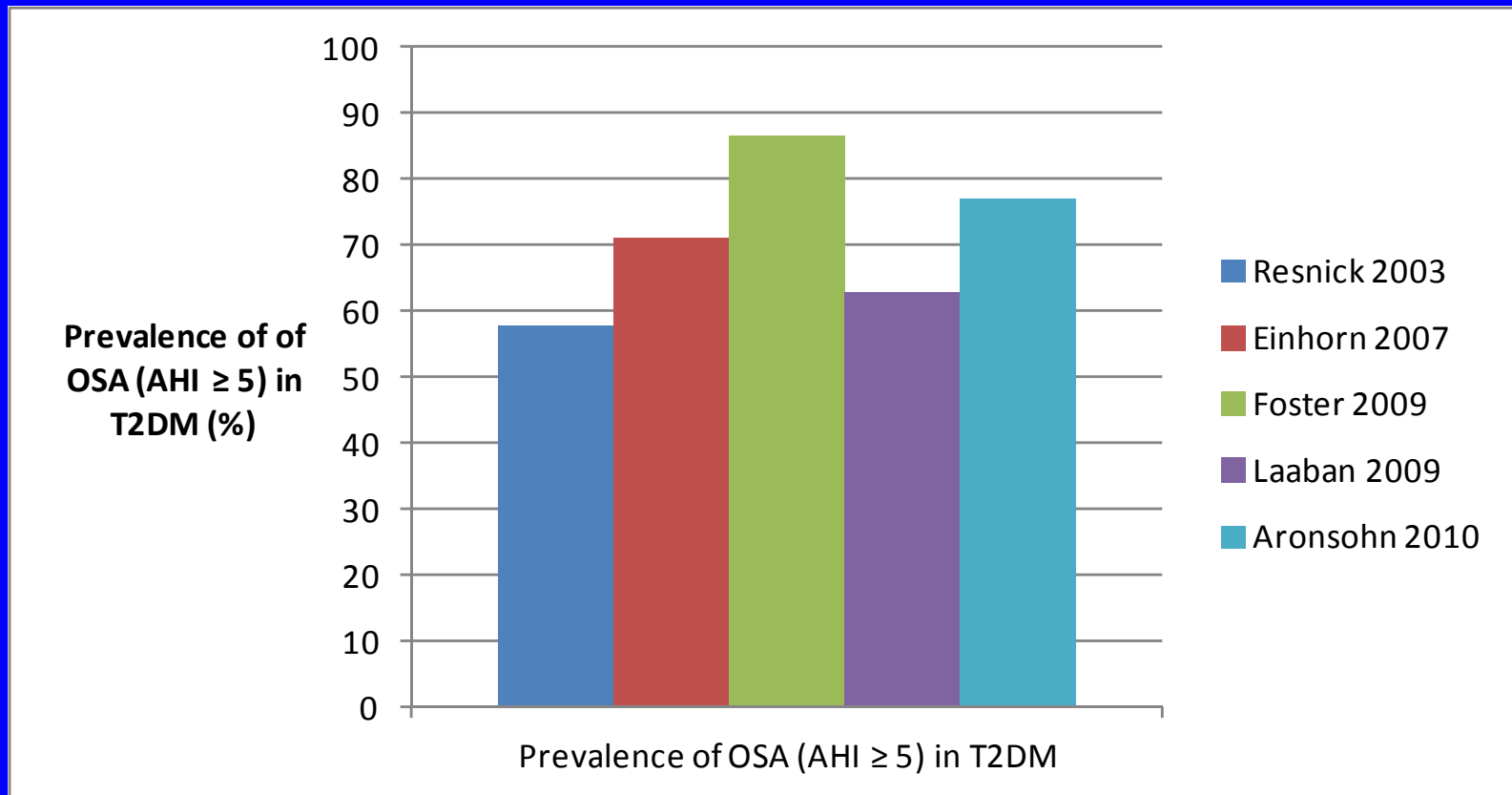


$$\text{HOMA} = G_0 \times I_0 / 22.5$$

Punjabi et al. Sleep-disordered breathing, glucose intolerance, and insulin resistance: the Sleep Heart Health Study. Am J Epidemiol. 2004 Sep 15;160(6):521-30.

Prevalence of OSA in T2DM

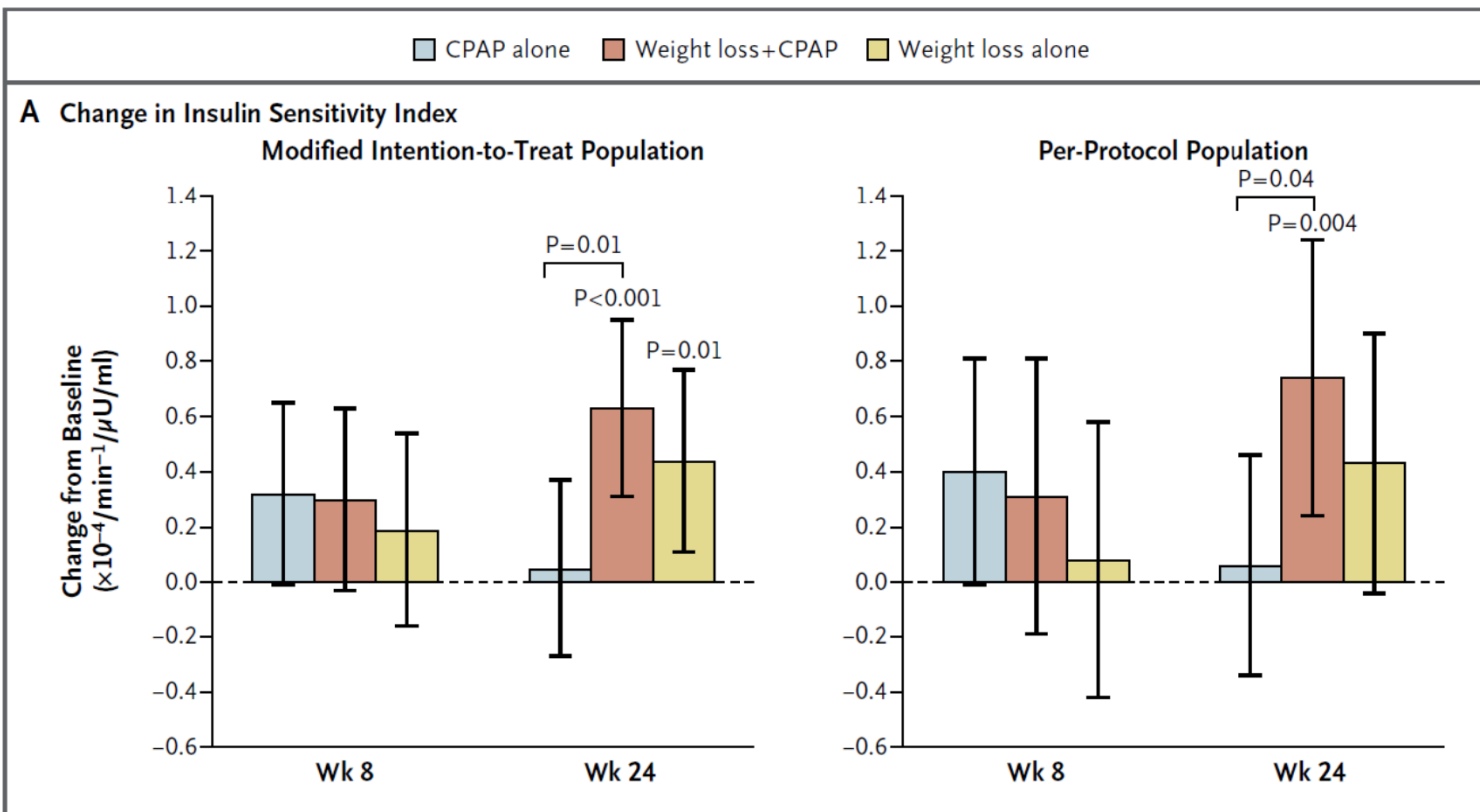
(adapted from Pamidi and Tasali,
Front Neurol. 2012;3:126. Epub 2012 Aug 13)



CPAP effect

- 9 small RCT (1 – 12 wks)
- in different population of apneics
- Different outcomes (SI, HbA1C, fasting blood glucose and insulin)
- 4 studies showed some improvement ,
5 showed none

CPAP effect



Chirinos et al.

N Engl J Med 2014;370:2265-75.

CPAP effect

**New data from Punjabi and Tasali
presented at ATS 2014 indicate
significant improvement of insulin
resistance with CPAP**

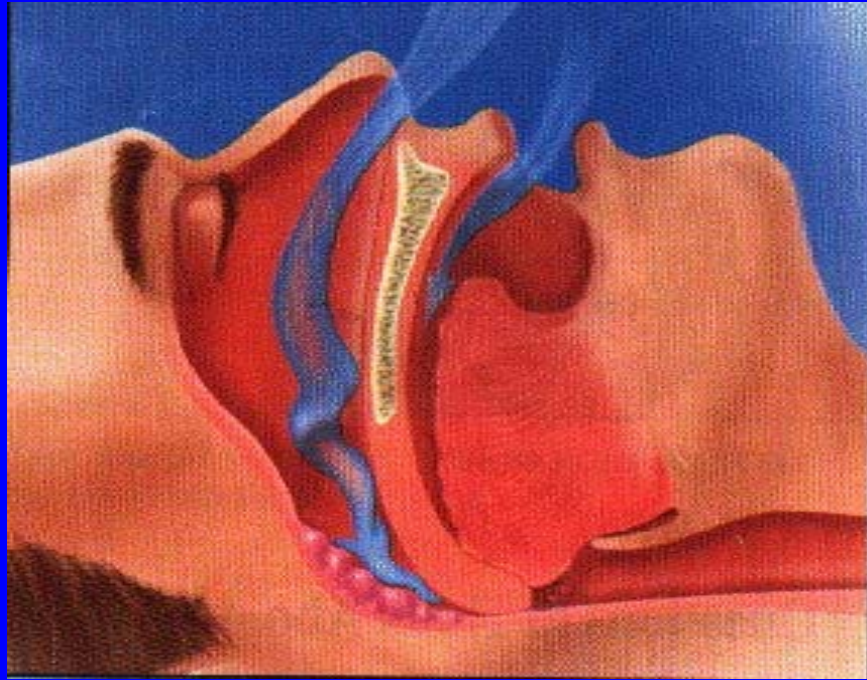
What are the mechanisms ?



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Mouse Model of Intermittent Hypoxia





Intermittent Hypoxia is a Complex Stimulus: IH Events Fragment Sleep

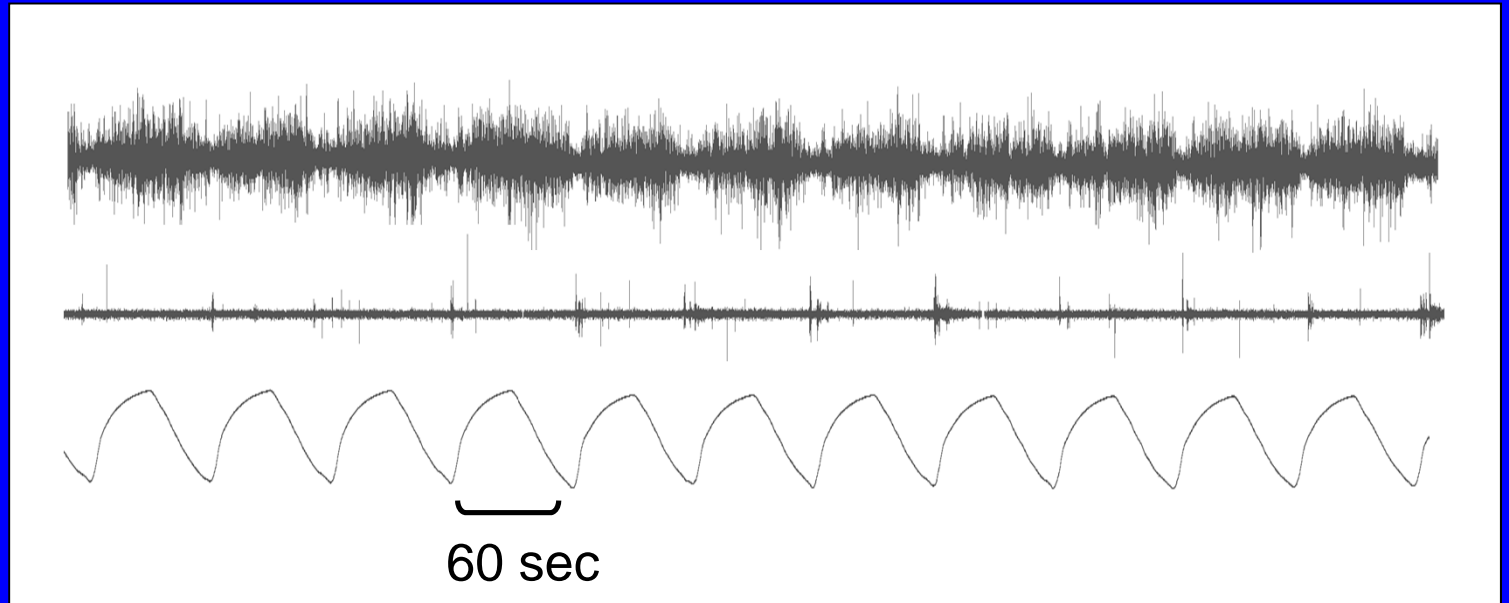
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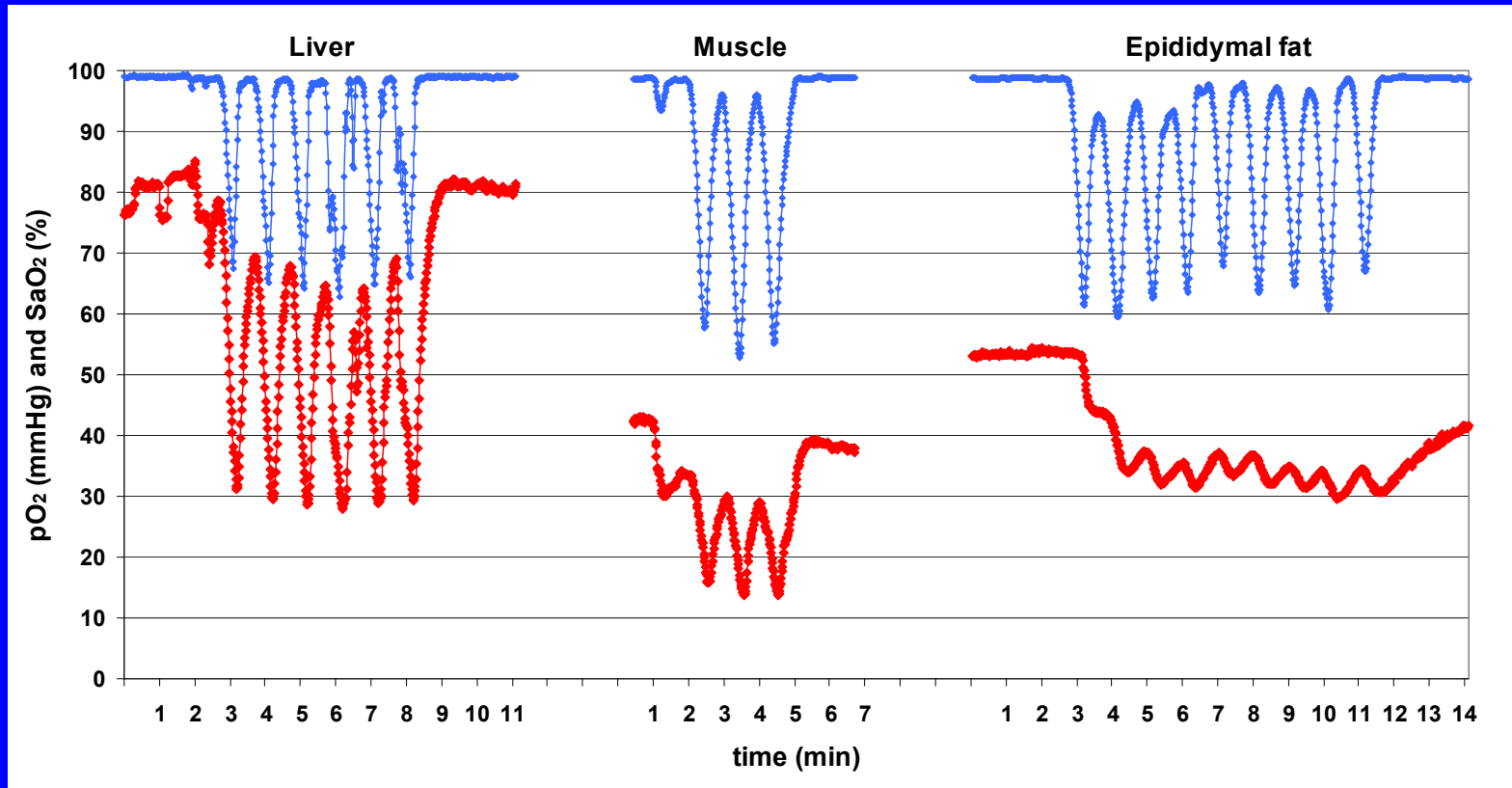
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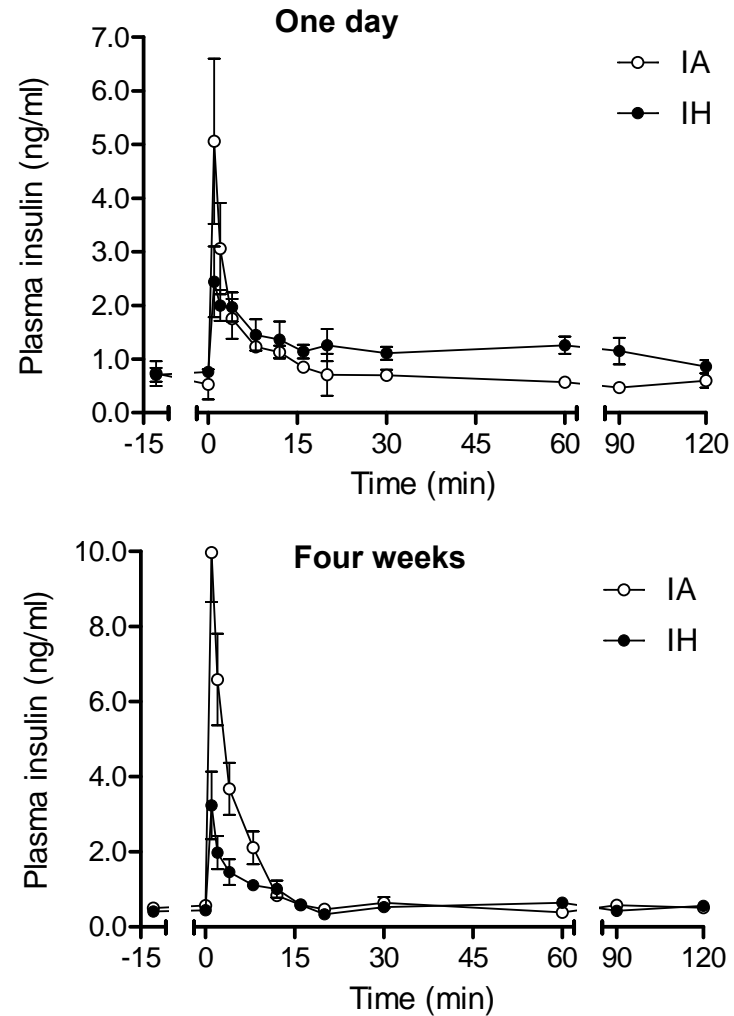
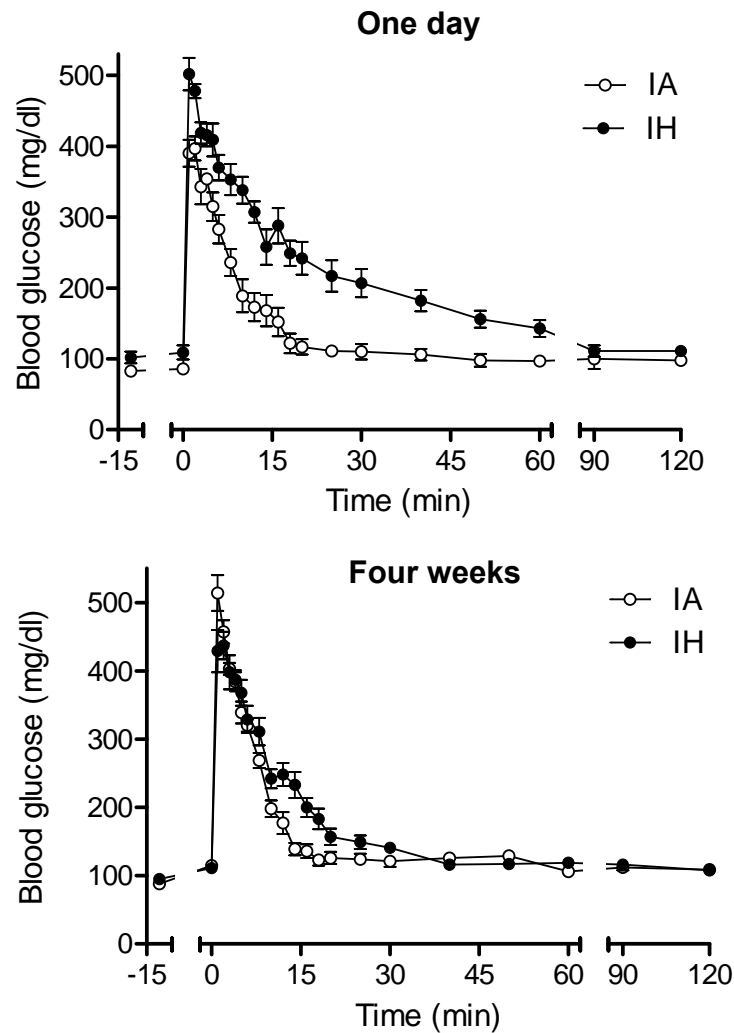
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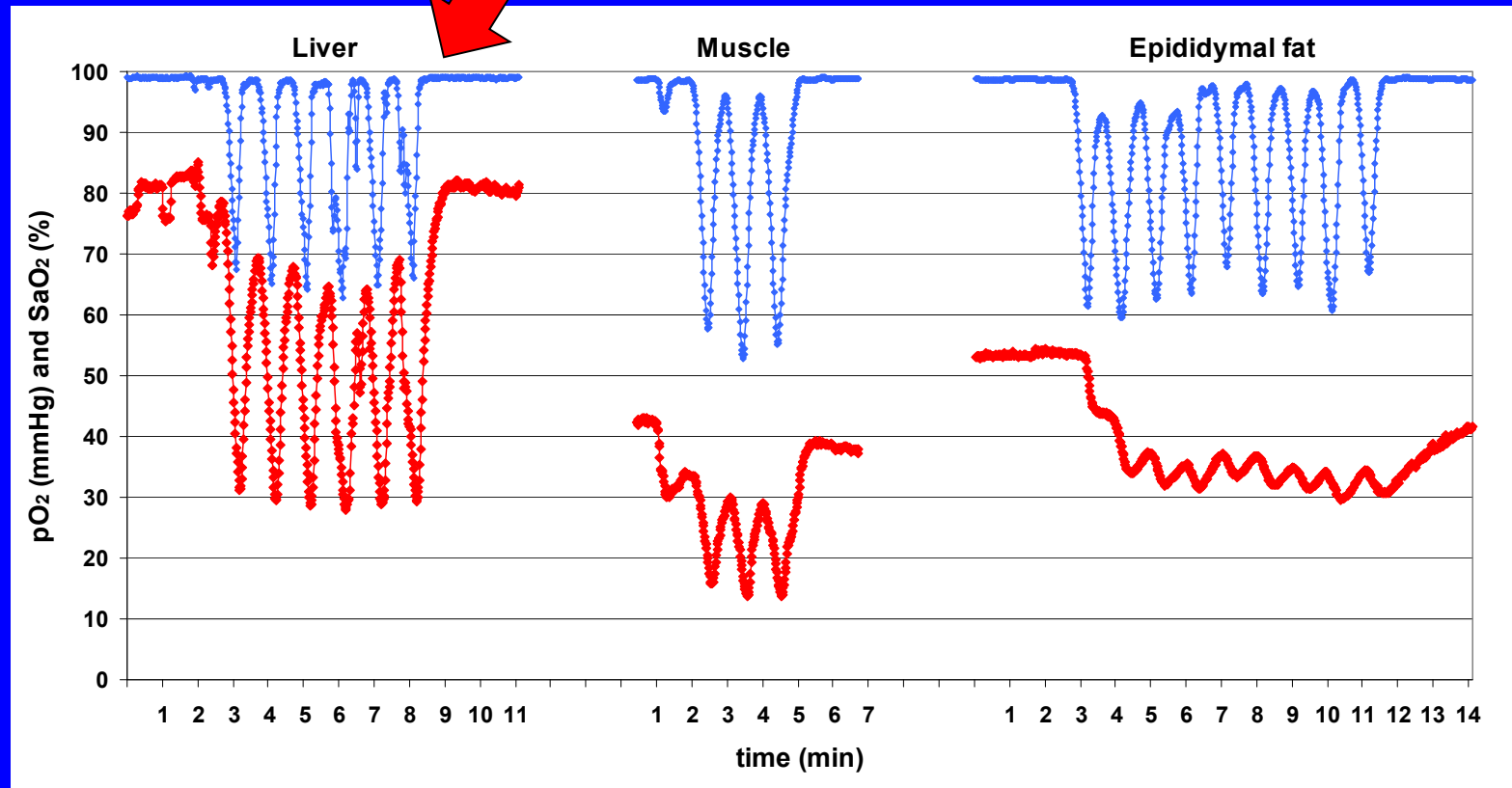
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Intermittent Hypoxia Increases Insulin Resistance and Suppresses Insulin Secretion



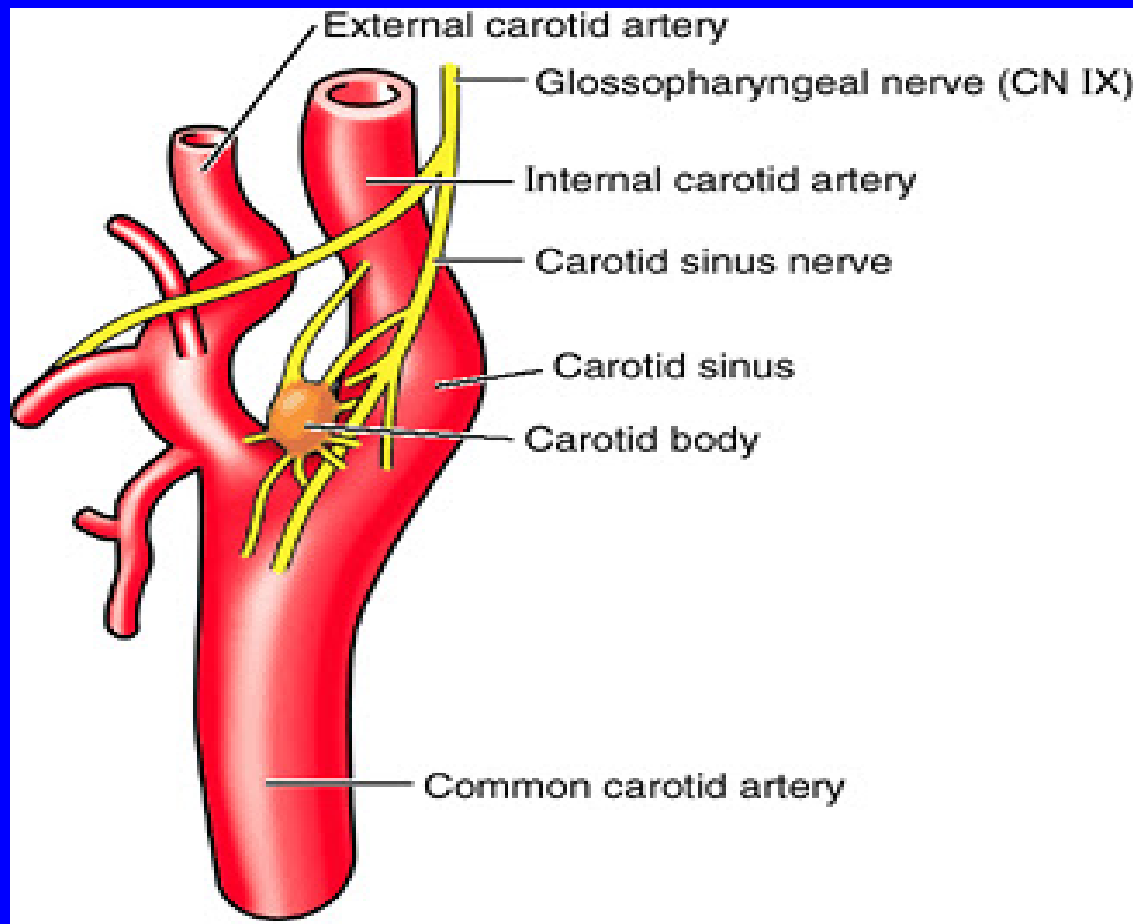
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Systemic Effects (Carotid bodies, SNS)

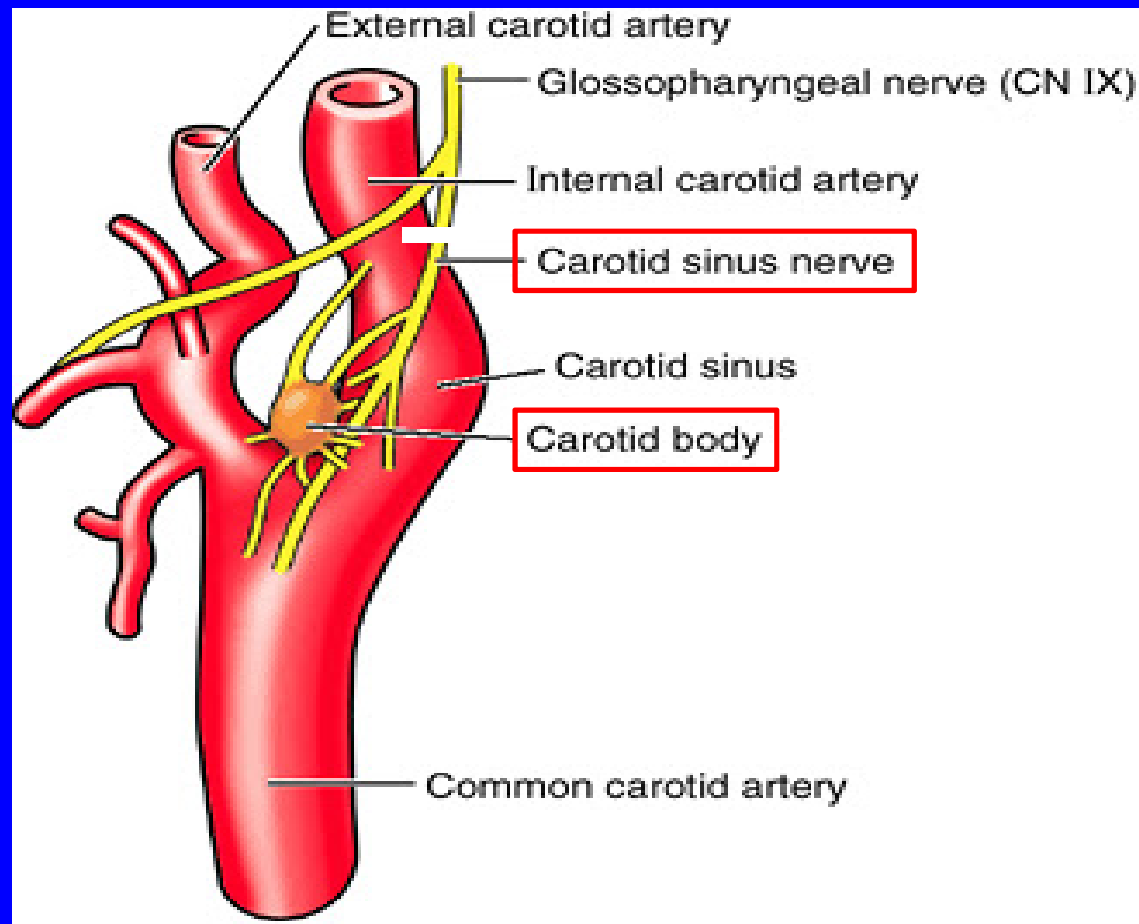


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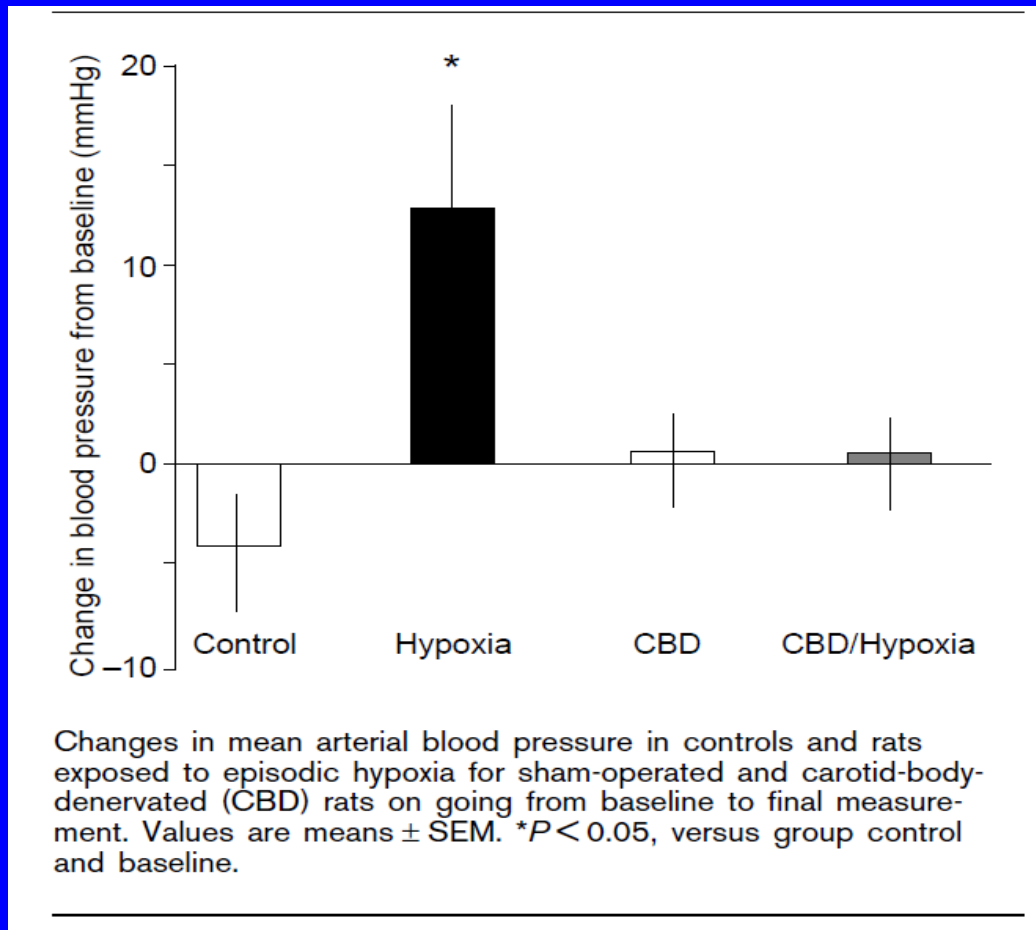
Carotid Body governs systemic responses to Intermittent Hypoxia



Carotid Sinus Nerve Dissection

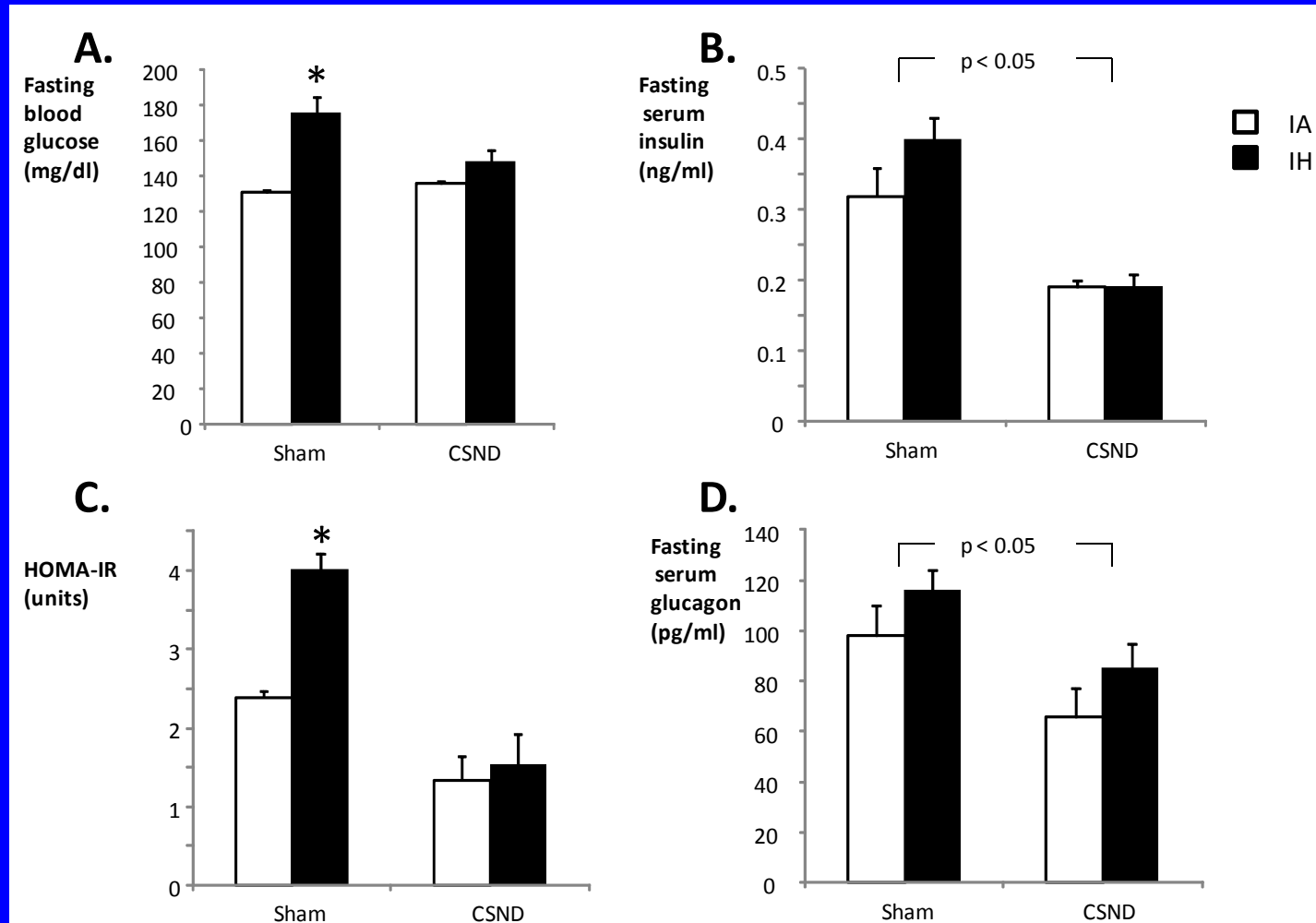


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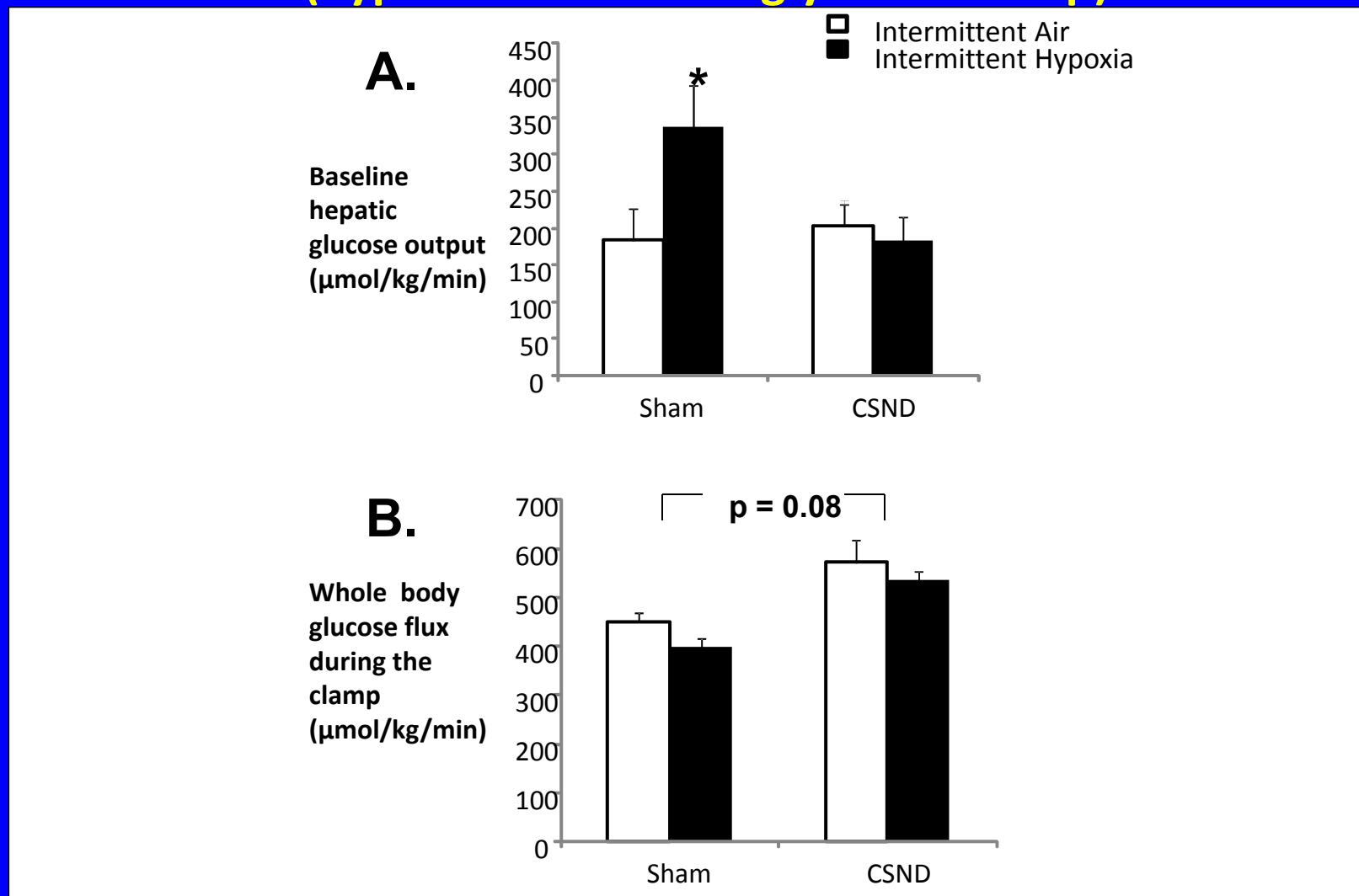
Lesske et al. Journal of Hypertension. 1997. 15:1593-1603.

Carotid Sinus Nerve Dissection (CSND) prevents IH-induced fasting hyperglycemia



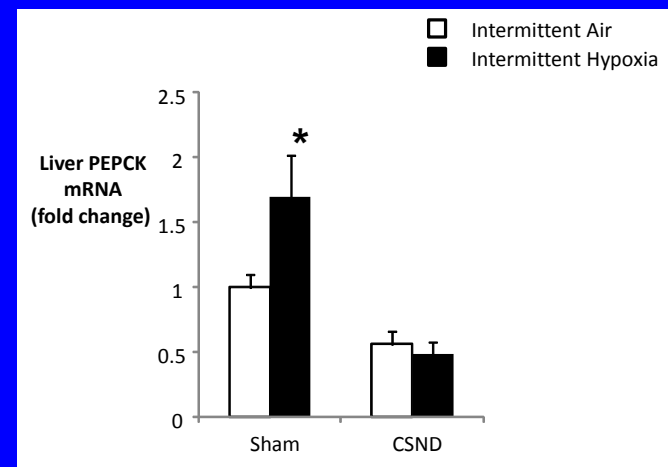
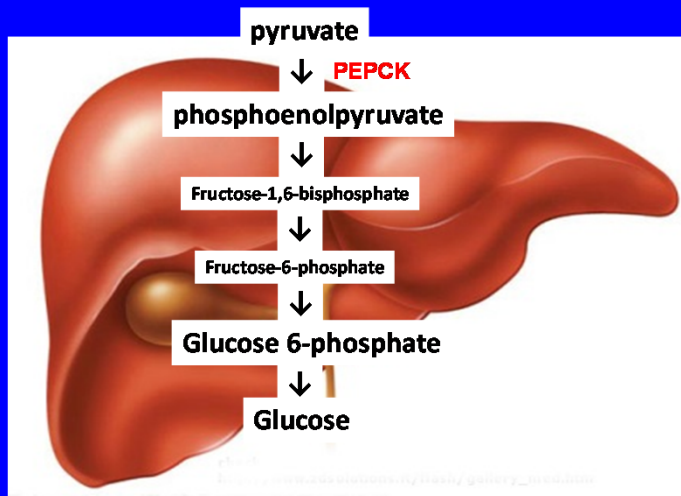
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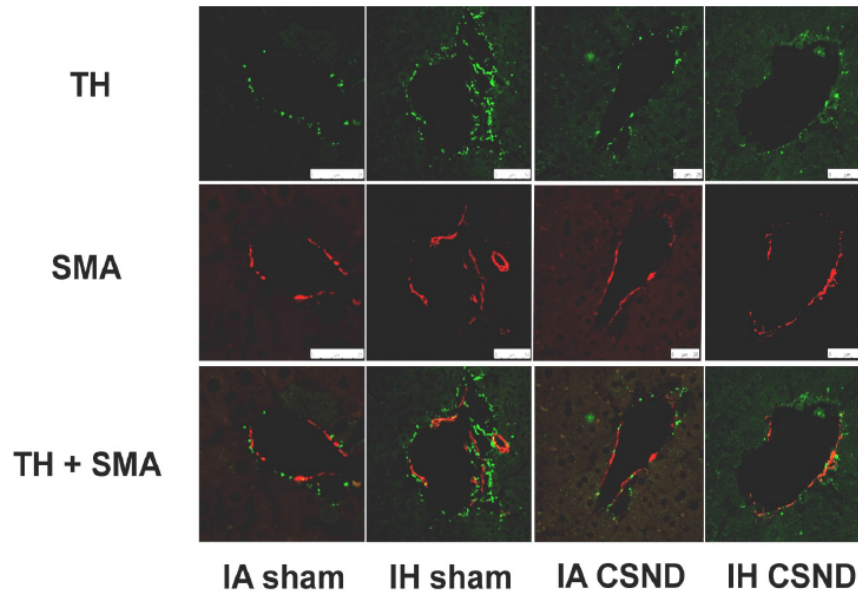
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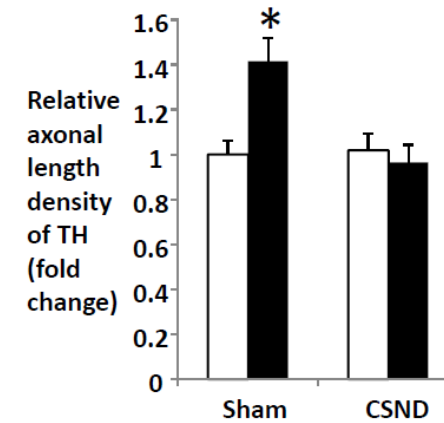
CSND abolishes sympathetic activation in the liver

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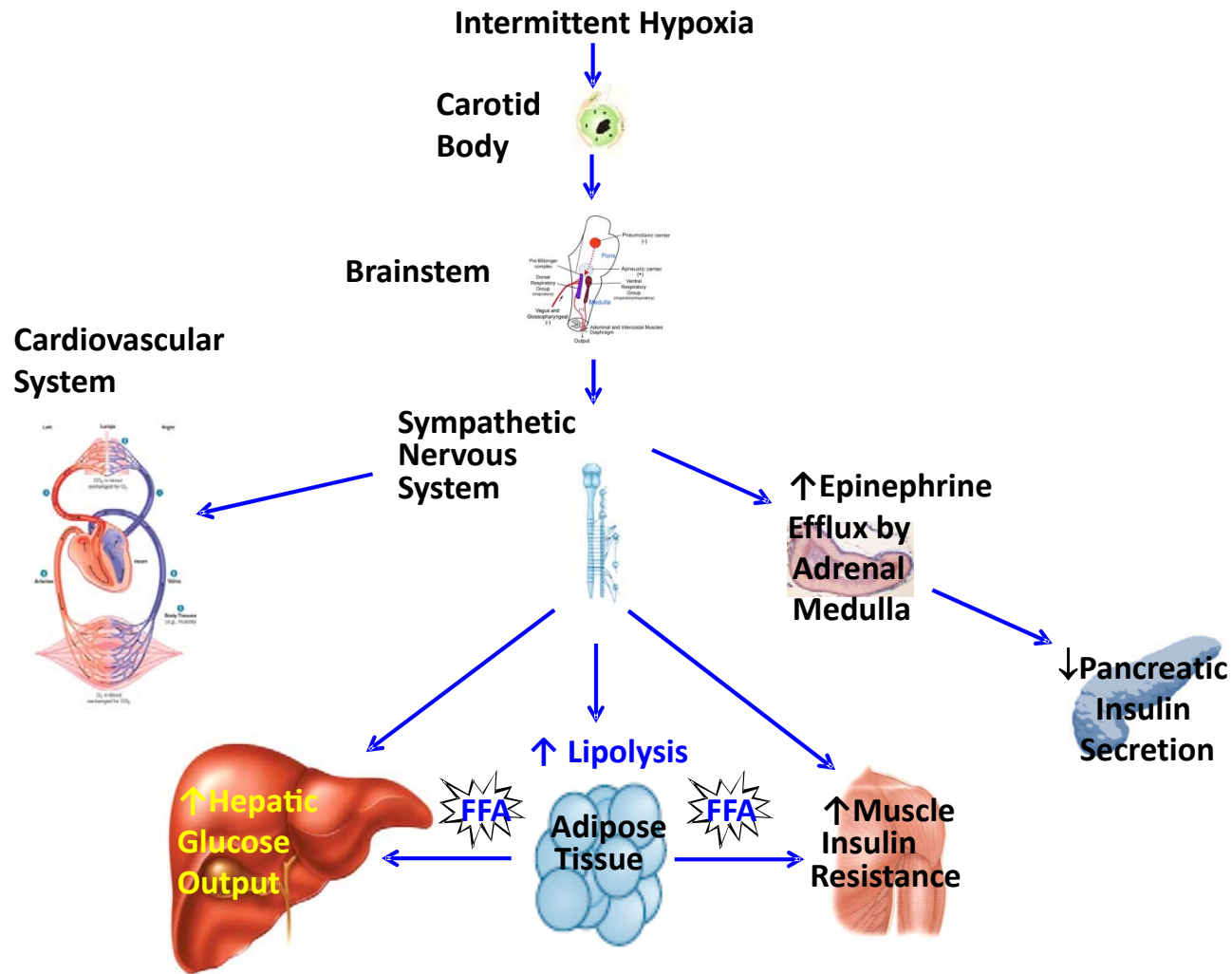
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□ Intermittent Air
■ Intermittent Hypoxia



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Carotid Body Governs Systemic Responses to Intermittent Hypoxia



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OSA is Associated with Dyslipidemia

TABLE 5. Cholesterol, HDL* cholesterol, and triglycerides by quartiles of RDI* in SHHS* participants at risk for incident CVD* (n = 4,991), United States, October 1995 to February 1998

	RDI					p value	
	0-<1.25	1.25-<4.0	4.0-<10.7	≥10.7-115.6	Overall	F test (general)	Trend
Cholesterol (mg/dl; mean (SD*))							
Men							
<65 years	197.2 (37.2)	202.8 (39.3)	204.9 (40.3)	206.0 (37.8)	203.4 (38.8)	0.043	0.0078
≥65 years	196.3 (32.4)	194.4 (36.0)	198.3 (39.7)	200.4 (35.1)	198.1 (36.4)	0.312	0.0984
Women							
<65 years	203.8 (40.9)	209.3 (39.3)	210.6 (38.8)	205.8 (37.4)	206.8 (39.6)	0.052	0.1272
≥65 years	214.0 (38.3)	217.9 (35.9)	215.8 (39.2)	211.6 (32.3)	215.1 (36.7)	0.239	0.397
HDL cholesterol (mg/dl; mean (SD))							
Men							
<65 years	46.7 (14.5)	42.8 (11.9)	42.7 (12.6)	41.0 (12.3)	42.8 (12.8)	<0.0001	<0.0001
≥65 years	47.0 (14.0)	44.6 (11.2)	44.9 (11.4)	45.3 (13.2)	45.3 (12.4)	0.4544	0.5425
Women							
<65 years	57.7 (16.8)	55.1 (15.8)	51.2 (15.4)	49.0 (16.7)	54.6 (16.6)	<0.0001	<0.0001
≥65 years	60.0 (17.1)	57.5 (15.9)	55.6 (14.7)	54.4 (14.8)	56.9 (15.8)	0.0006	<0.0001
Triglycerides (mg/dl; mean (SD))							
Men							
<65 years	135.6 (130.4)	158.8 (114.9)	166.2 (160.4)	178.9 (131.2)	163.4 (136.6)	0.0023	0.0002
≥65 years	125.1 (65.5)	146.5 (85.5)	137.5 (72.5)	144.5 (88.2)	140.5 (81.0)	0.1068	0.1424
Women							
<65 years	128.5 (83.9)	136.1 (76.8)	163.1 (125.4)	164.9 (95.6)	142.2 (94.4)	<0.0001	0.0001
≥65 years	136.3 (69.1)	147.6 (88.2)	152.0 (100.2)	152.9 (88.6)	147.2 (87.8)	0.1325	0.0305

Relation of Sleep-disordered Breathing to Cardiovascular Disease Risk Factors: The Sleep Heart Health Study. Newman et al. Am J Epidemiol 2001;154:50-9.

CPAP and Plasma Lipids: Randomized Studies

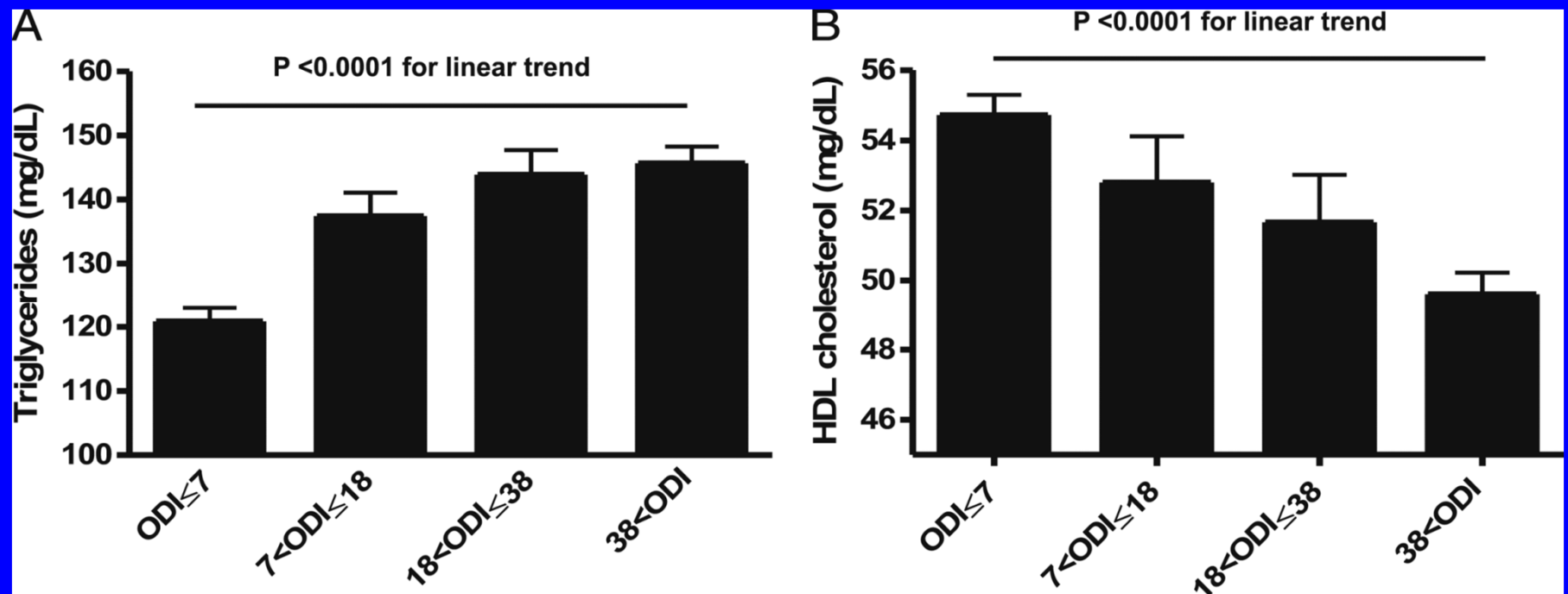
	Therapeutic CPAP		Subtherapeutic CPAP	
	Day 0 (SD)	Day 30 change (CI)	Day 0 (SD)	Day 30 change (CI)
Total cholesterol				
mg/dl	220 (43)	-10.8 (-17.4 to -4.2)	216 (43)	-2.7(-2.3 to 8.1)
mmol/l	5.7 (1.1)	-0.28 (-0.45 to -0.11)	5.6 (1.1)	-0.07(-0.06 to 0.21)
Tryglicerides				
mg/dl	230 (168)	-21.2 (-24.8 to 67.3)	292 (221)	-4.4 (-39.8 to 32)
mmol/l	2.6 (1.9)	-0.24 (-0.28 to 0.76)	3.3 (2.5)	-0.05 (-0.45 to 0.36)

Circulating cardiovascular risk factors in obstructive sleep apnoea: data from randomised controlled trials

G V Robinson, J C T Pepperell, H C Segal, R J O Davies, J R Stradling

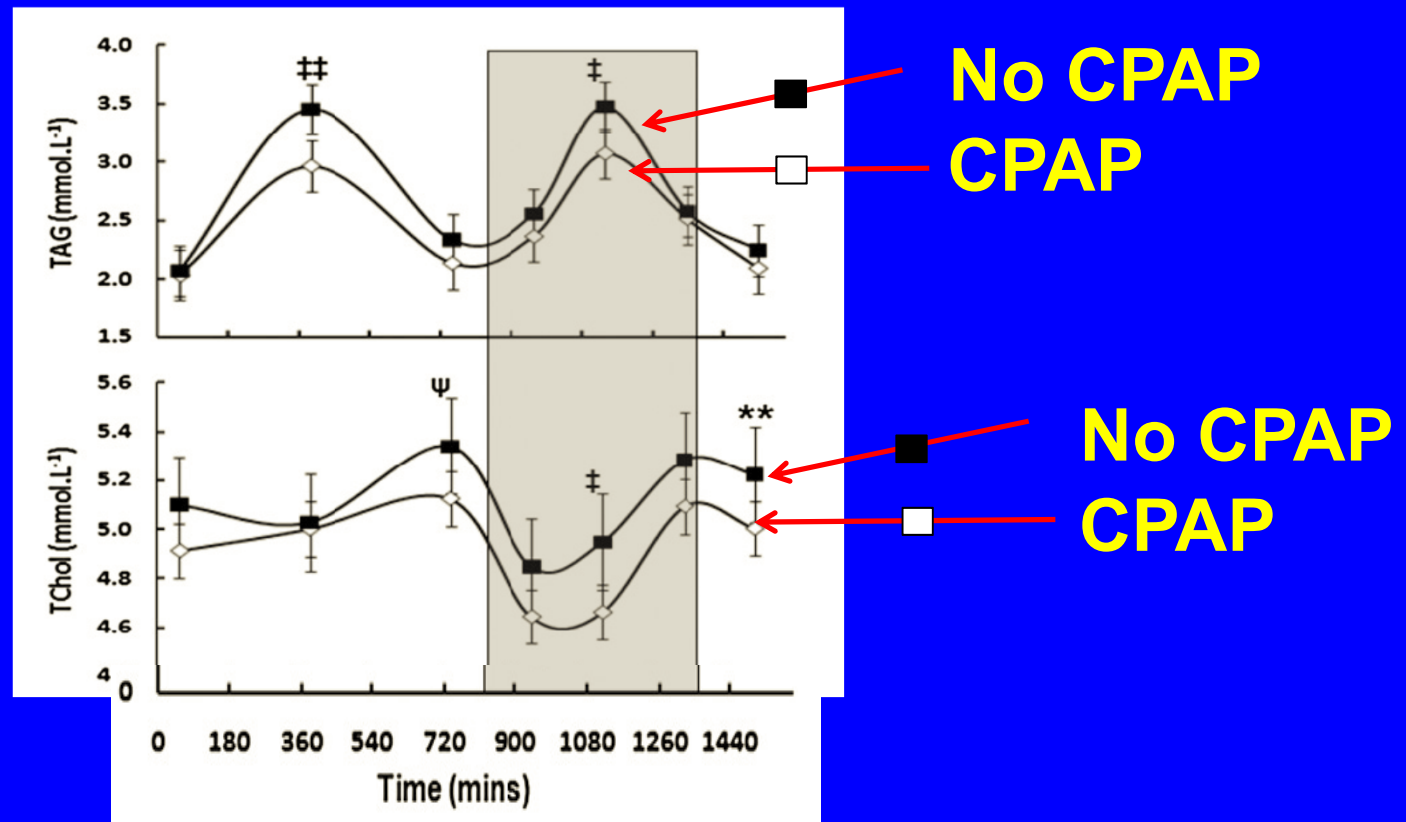
Thorax 2004;59:777-782. doi: 10.1136/thx.2003.018739

Independent Association Between Nocturnal Intermittent Hypoxemia and Metabolic Dyslipidemia in Obstructive Sleep Apnea



Trzepizur et al. Chest . 2013; 143:1584-9.

CPAP (2 months) and Postprandial Plasma Lipids: a Cross-over Randomized Placebo-Controlled Study



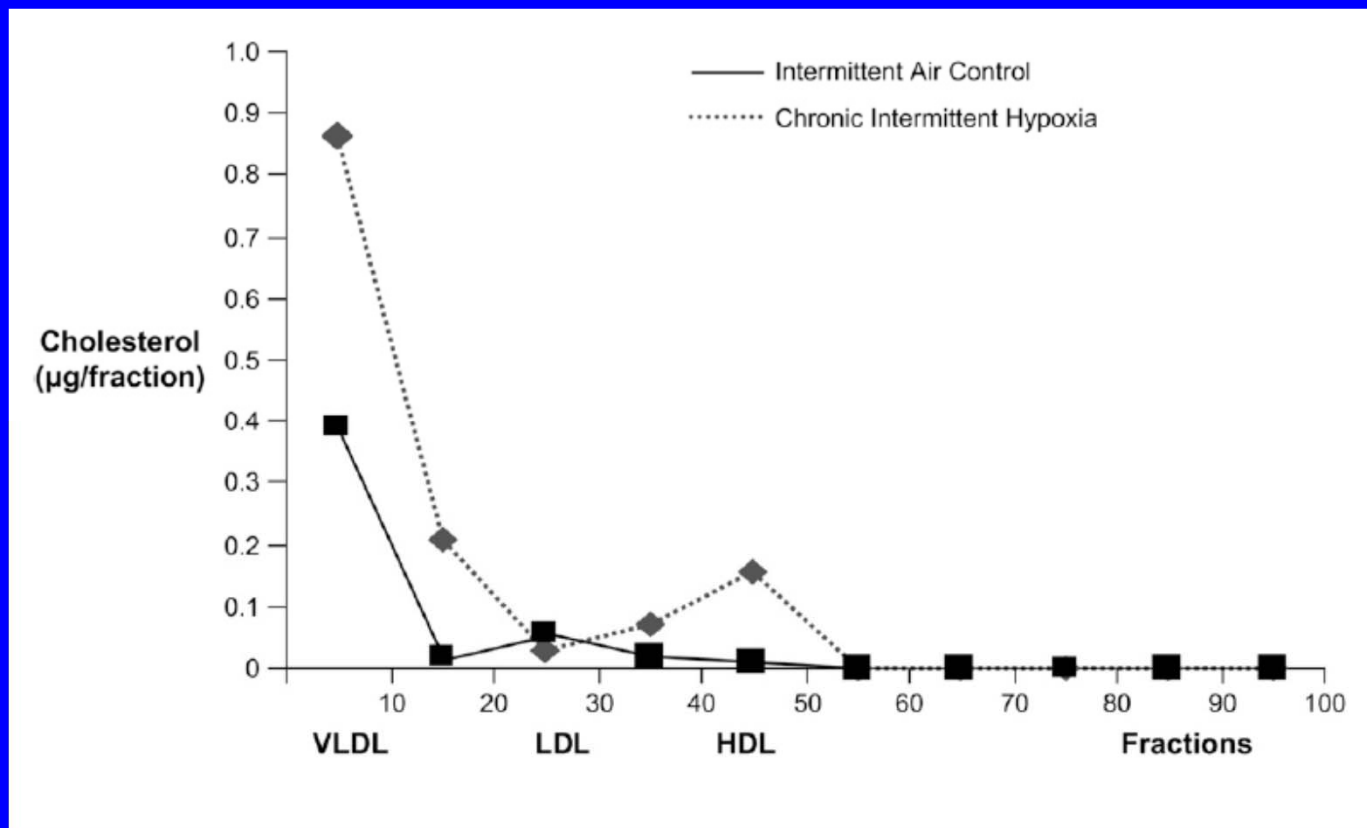
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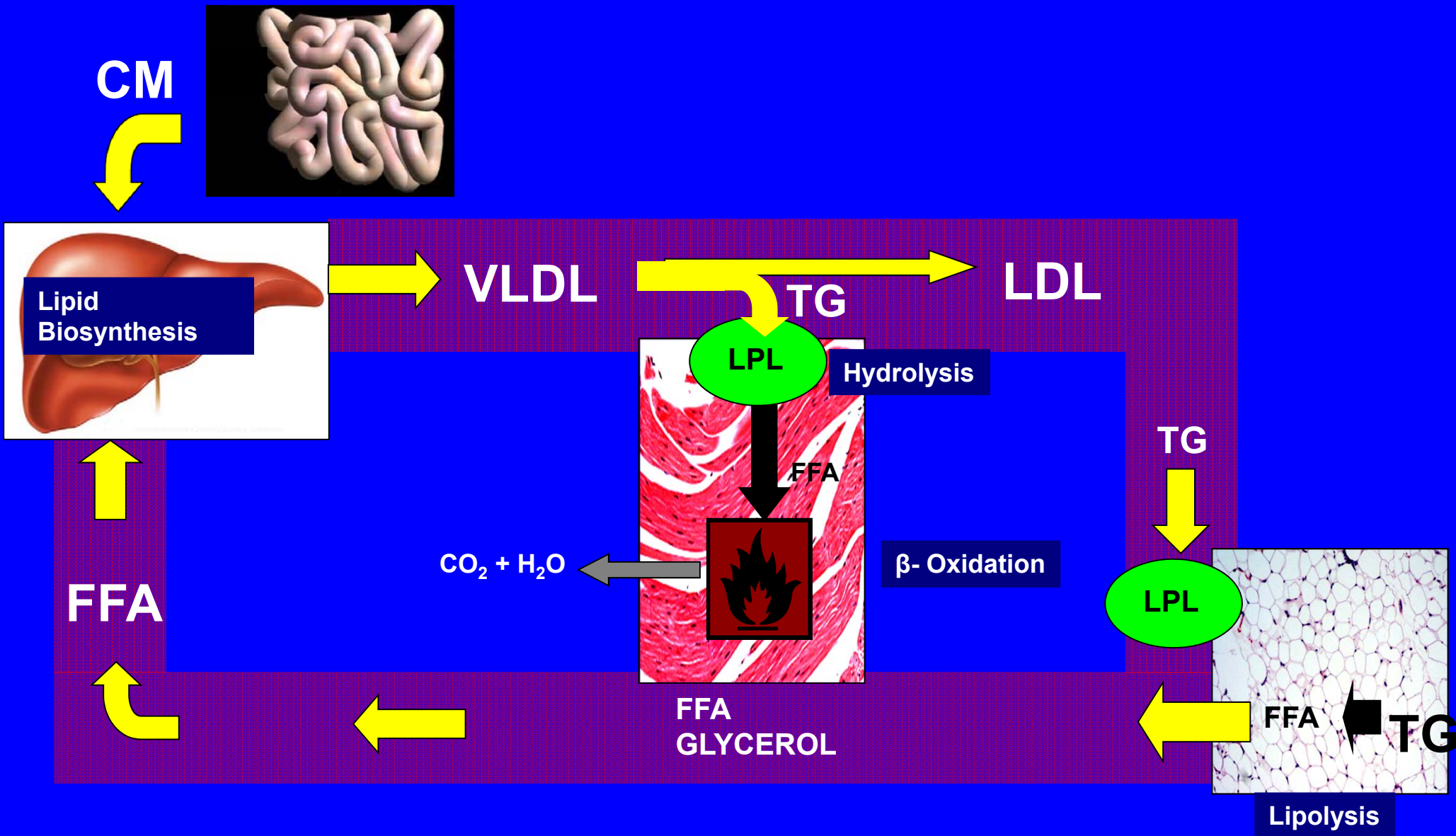
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Intermittent Hypoxia increases VLDL levels

CIH for 12 weeks in C57BL/6J mice



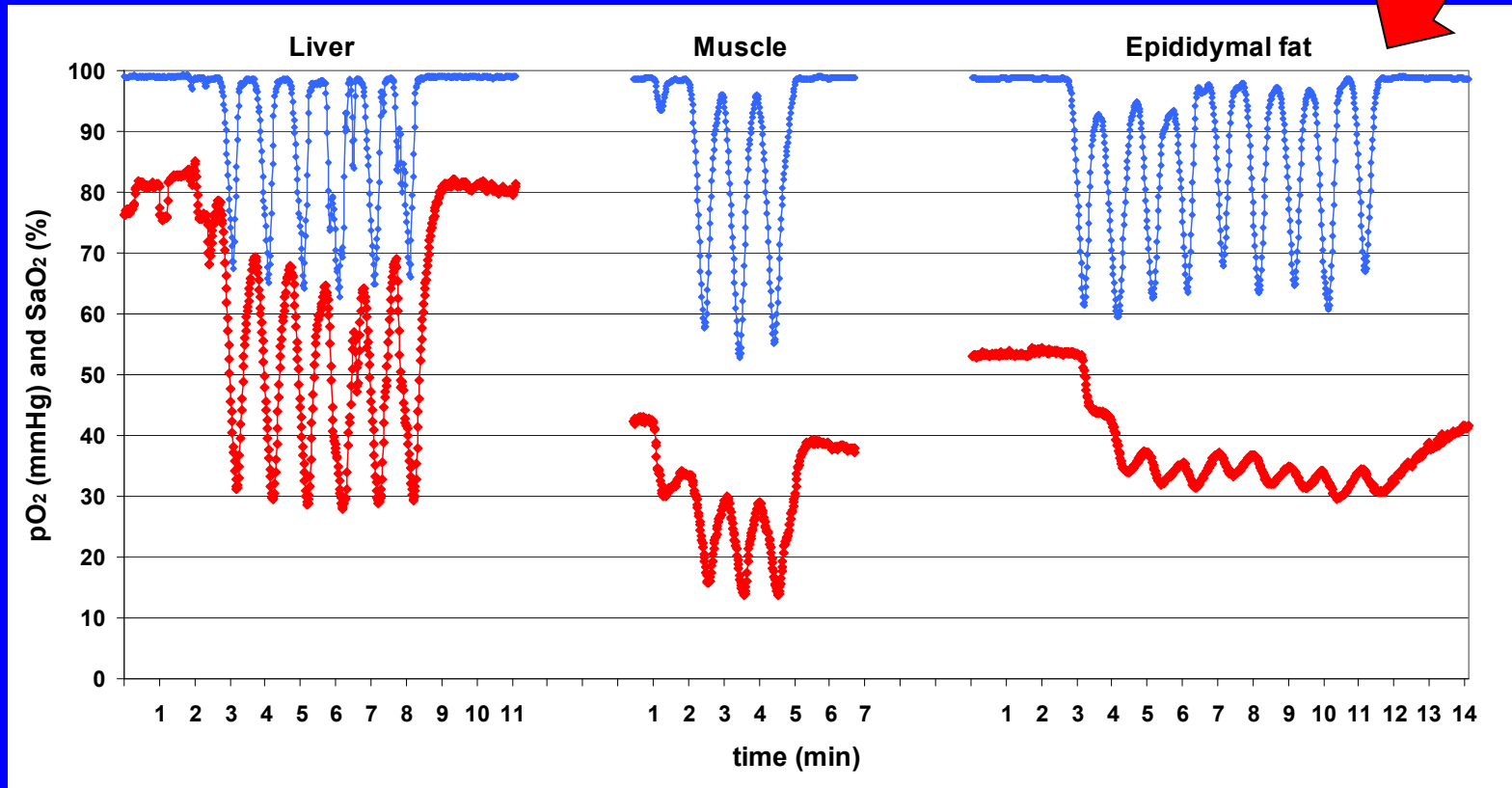
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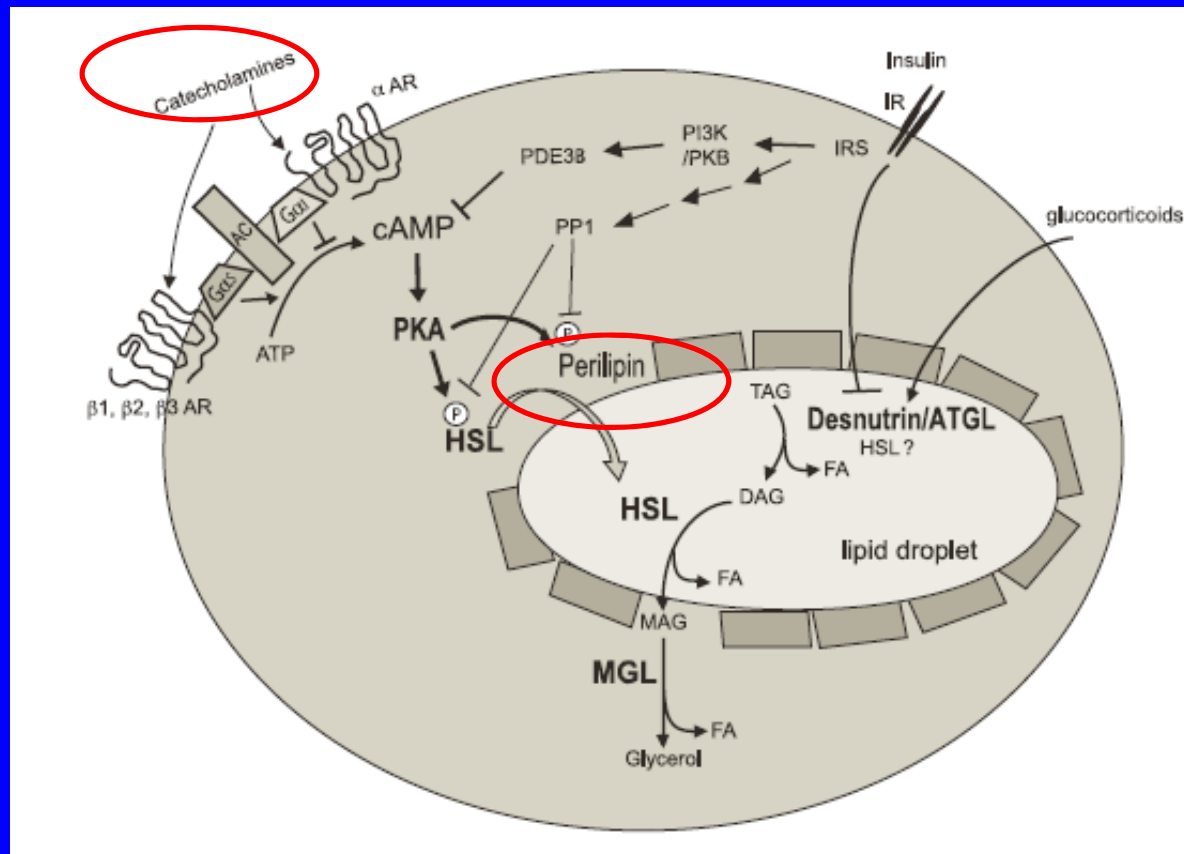
Intermittent Hypoxia and Adipose Tissue Lipolysis

Mouse Model of Intermittent Hypoxia

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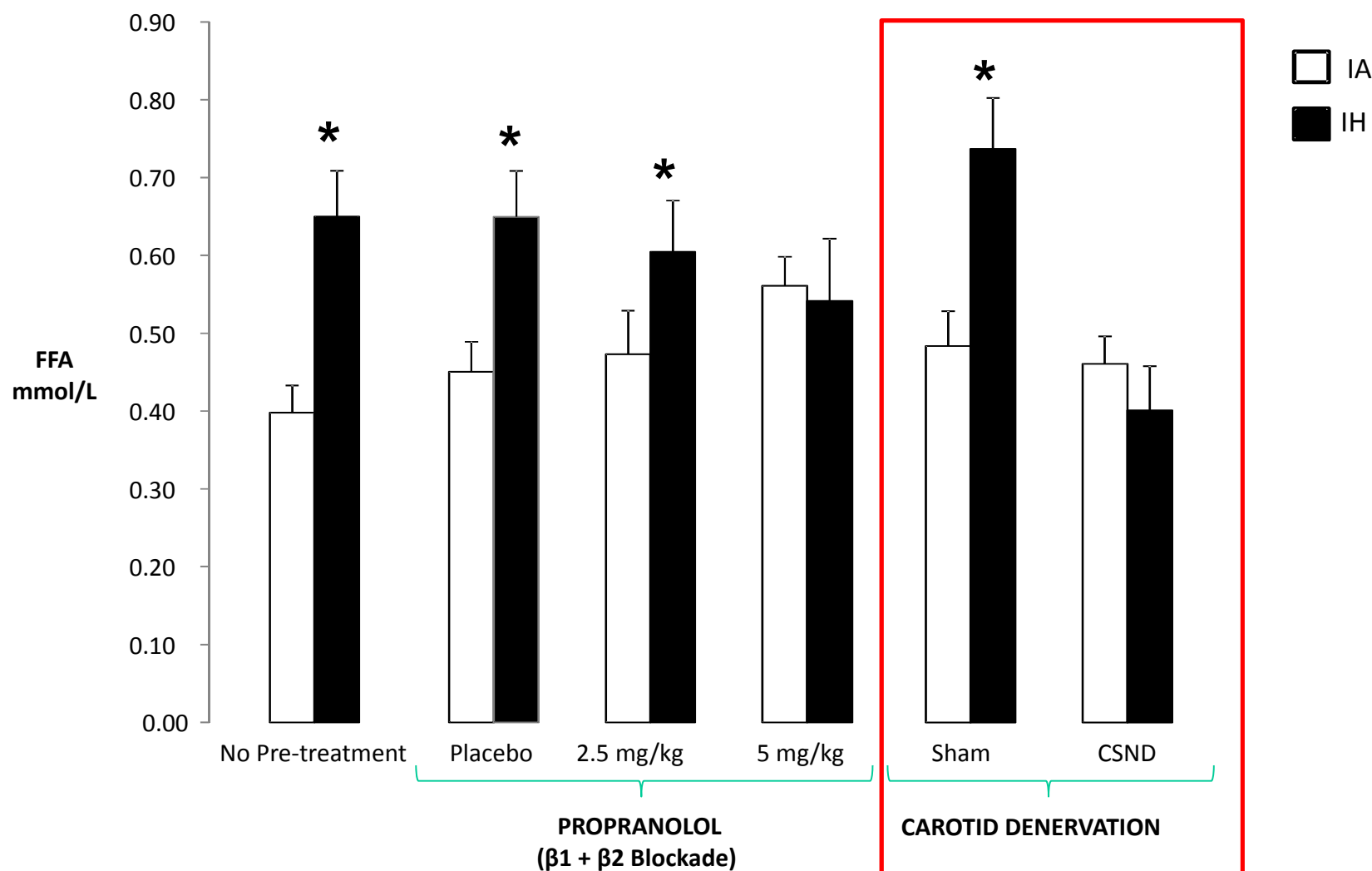
Lipolysis in Adipose Tissue



Kathy Jaworski, Eszter Sarkadi-Nagy, Robin E. Duncan, Maryam Ahmadian and Hei Sook Sul

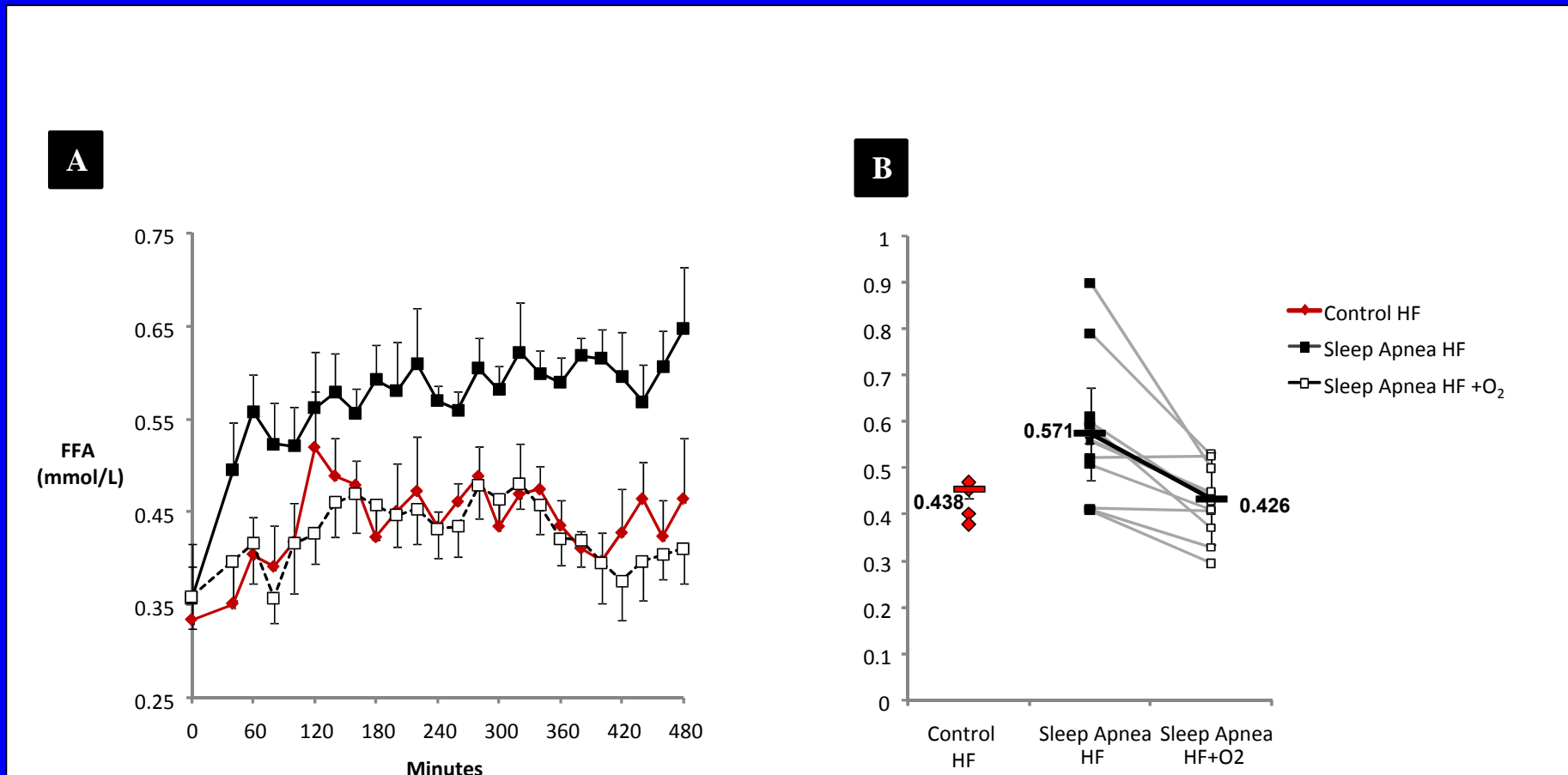
Am J Physiol Gastrointest Liver Physiol 293:1-4, 2007. First published Jan 11, 2007;
doi:10.1152/ajpgi.00554.2006

Intermittent Hypoxia induces lipolysis via the carotid body and downstream sympathetic efferent pathways



Jun et al. Am J Physiol Endocrinol Metab. 2014 Oct. [Epub ahead of print]

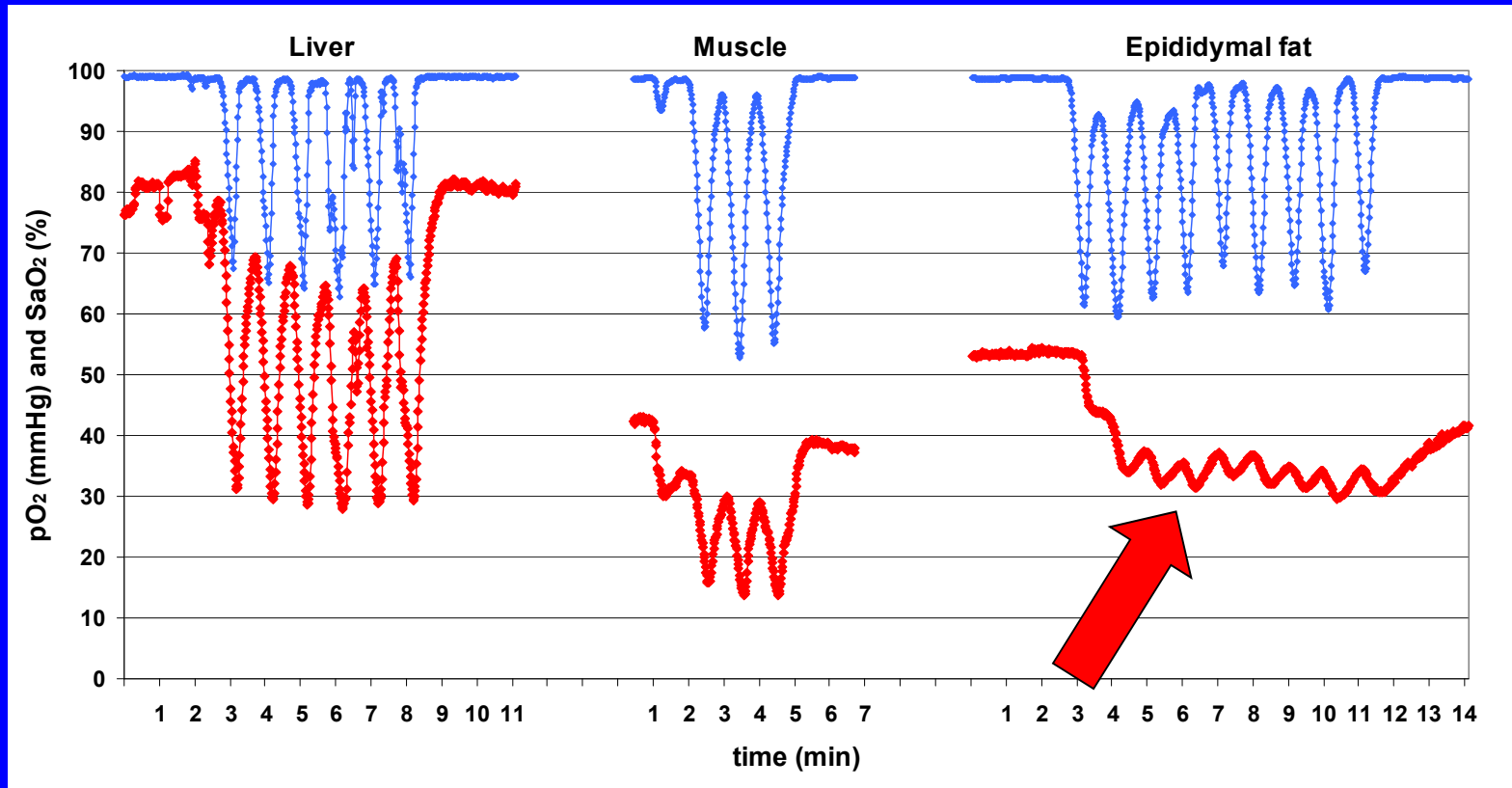
In patients with sleep apnea nocturnal elevation of plasma FFA levels is caused by IH



Jun et al. Sleep. 2011; 33:783-90.

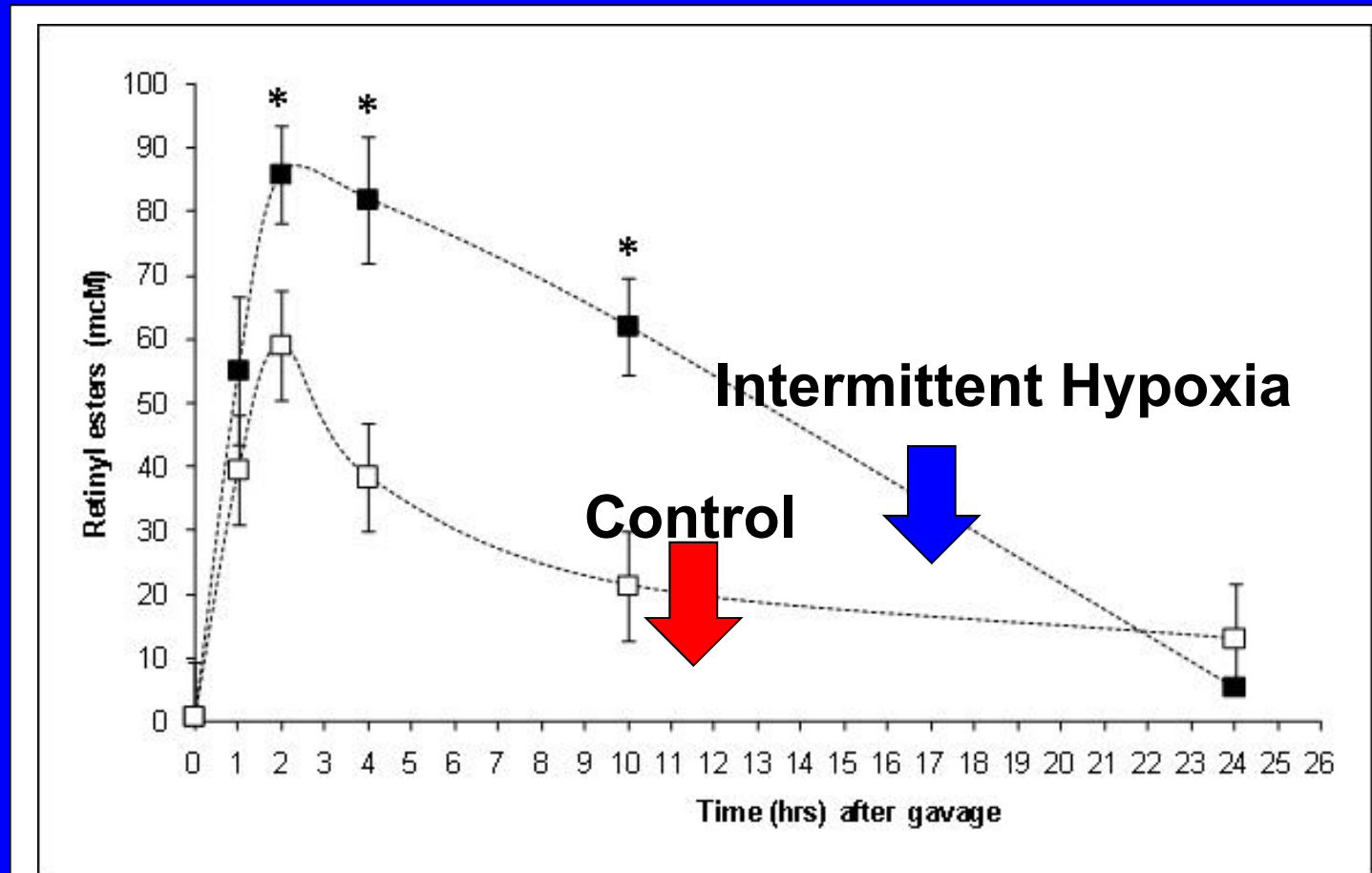
Intermittent Hypoxia and Lipoprotein Clearance

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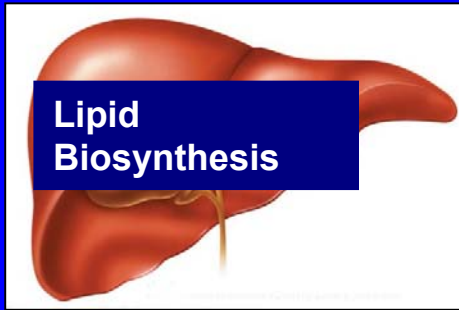
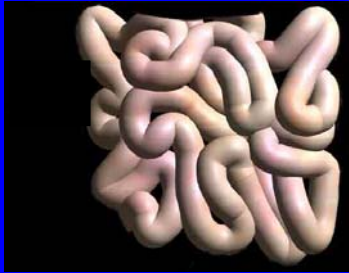
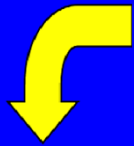
Tissue Specific Effects (Hypoxia inducible factors, etc))

Intermittent Hypoxia Decreases Chylomicron Clearance



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CM



VLDL



LDL

LPL

Hydrolysis

FFA

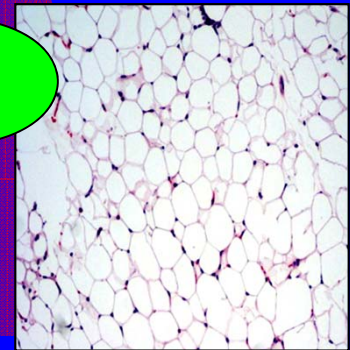
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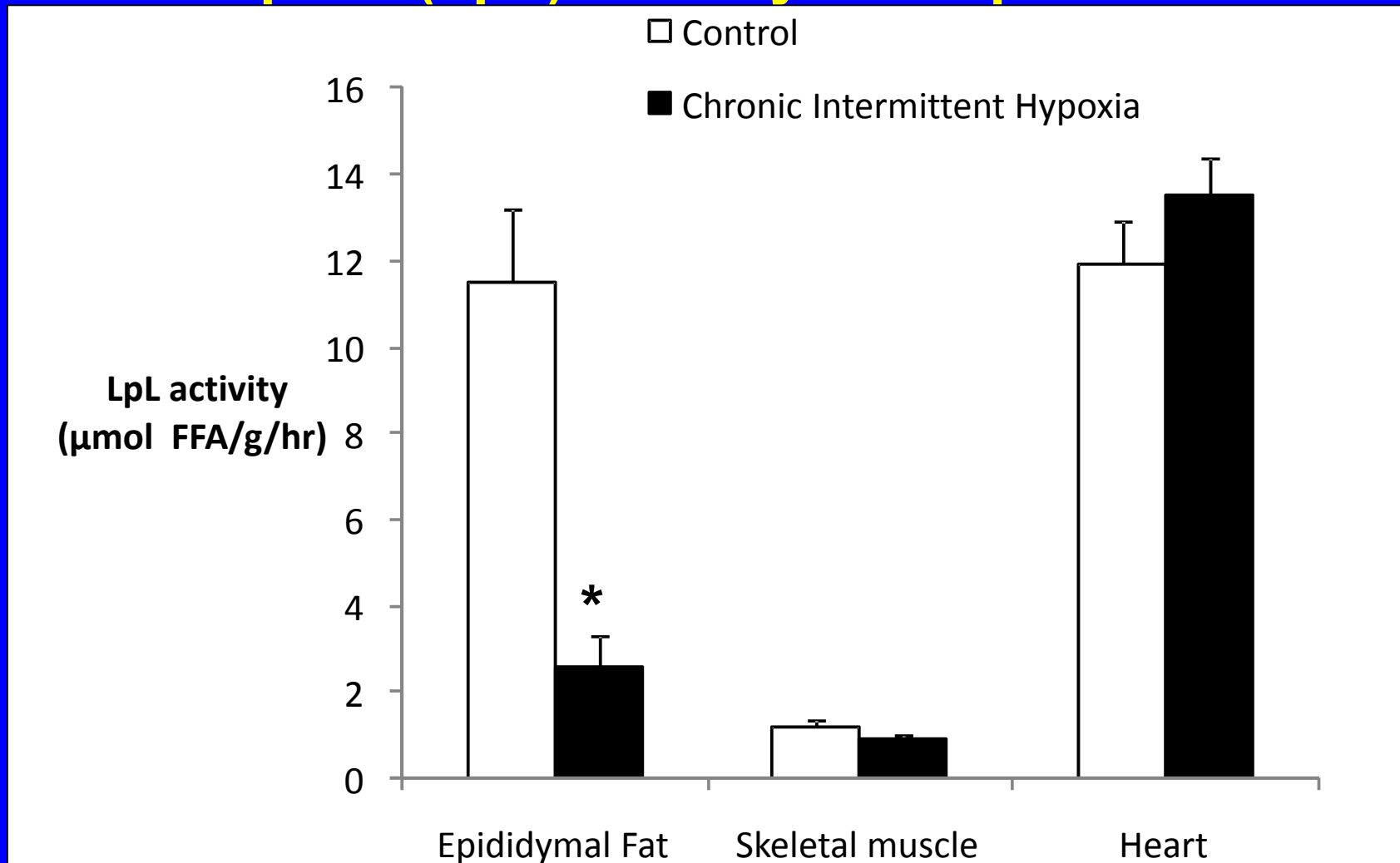
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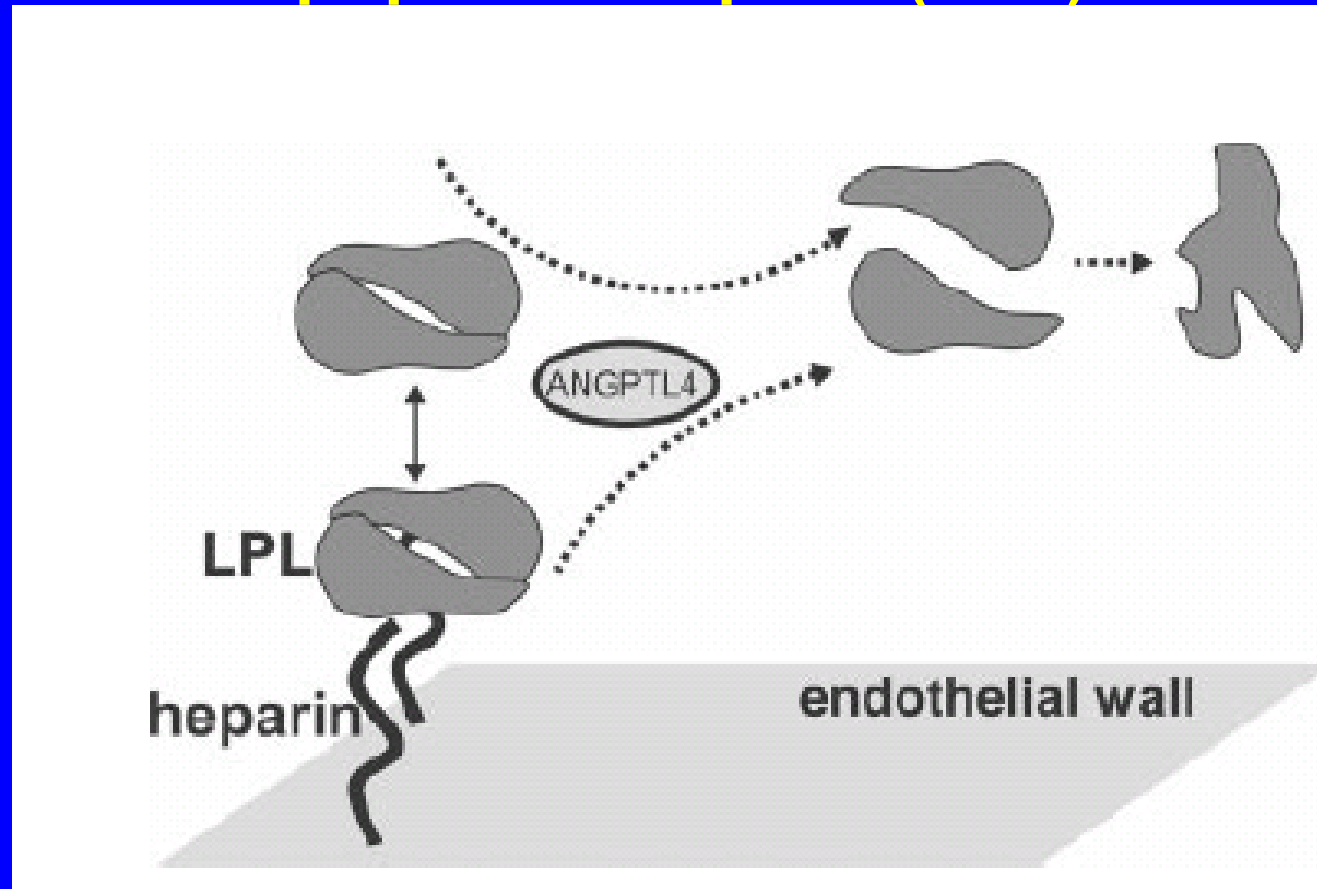


Intermittent Hypoxia Decreases Lipoprotein Lipase (LpL) Activity in Adipose Tissue



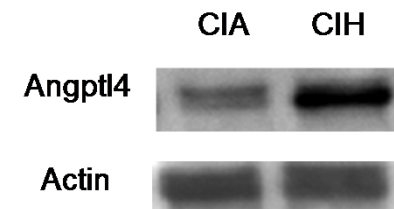
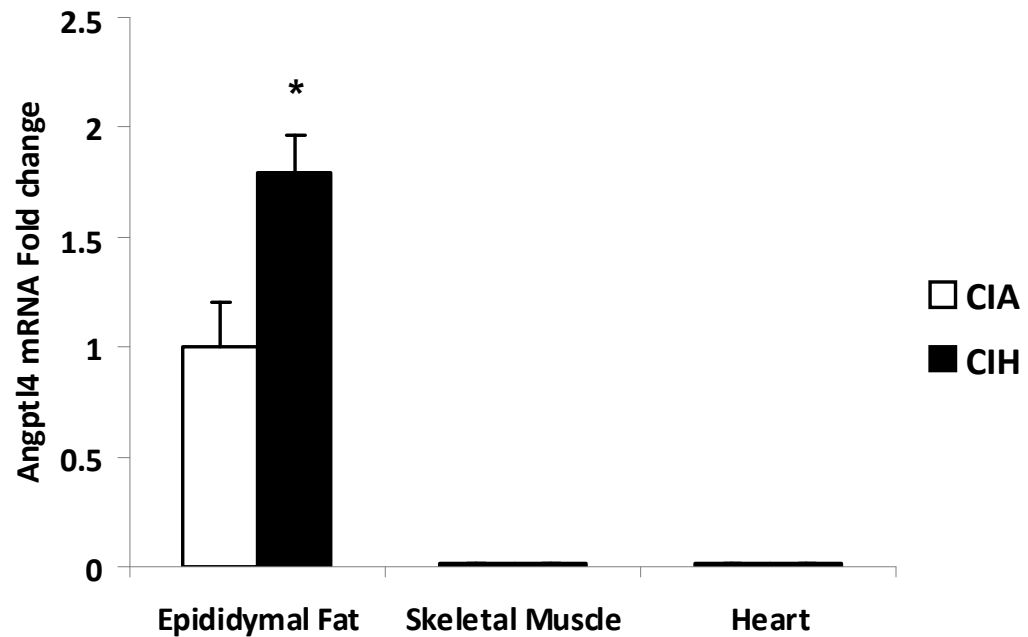
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Angiopoietin-like Protein 4 Rapidly Inactivates Lipoprotein Lipase (LPL)



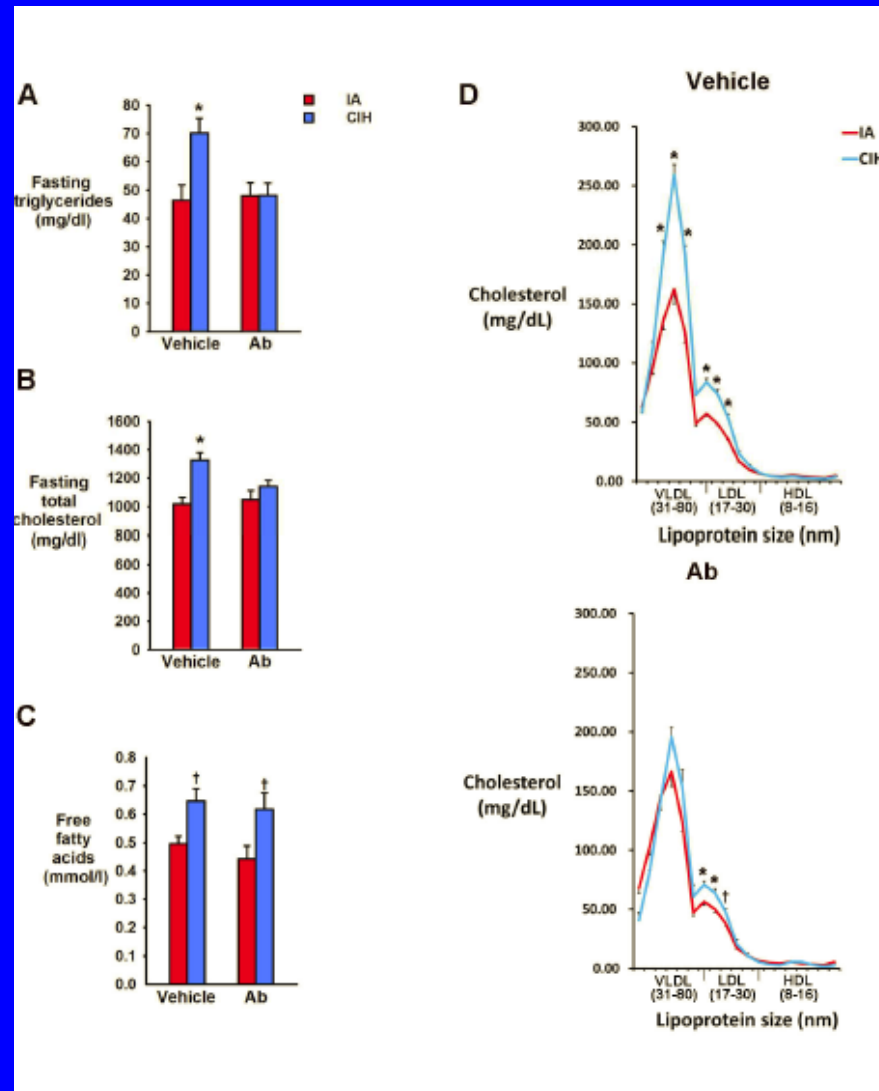
Shan L, Yu XC, Liu Z, Hu Y, Sturgis LT, Miranda ML, Liu Q. J Biol Chem. 2009 Jan 16;284(3):1419-24

Intermittent Hypoxia Increases Adipose Angptl4



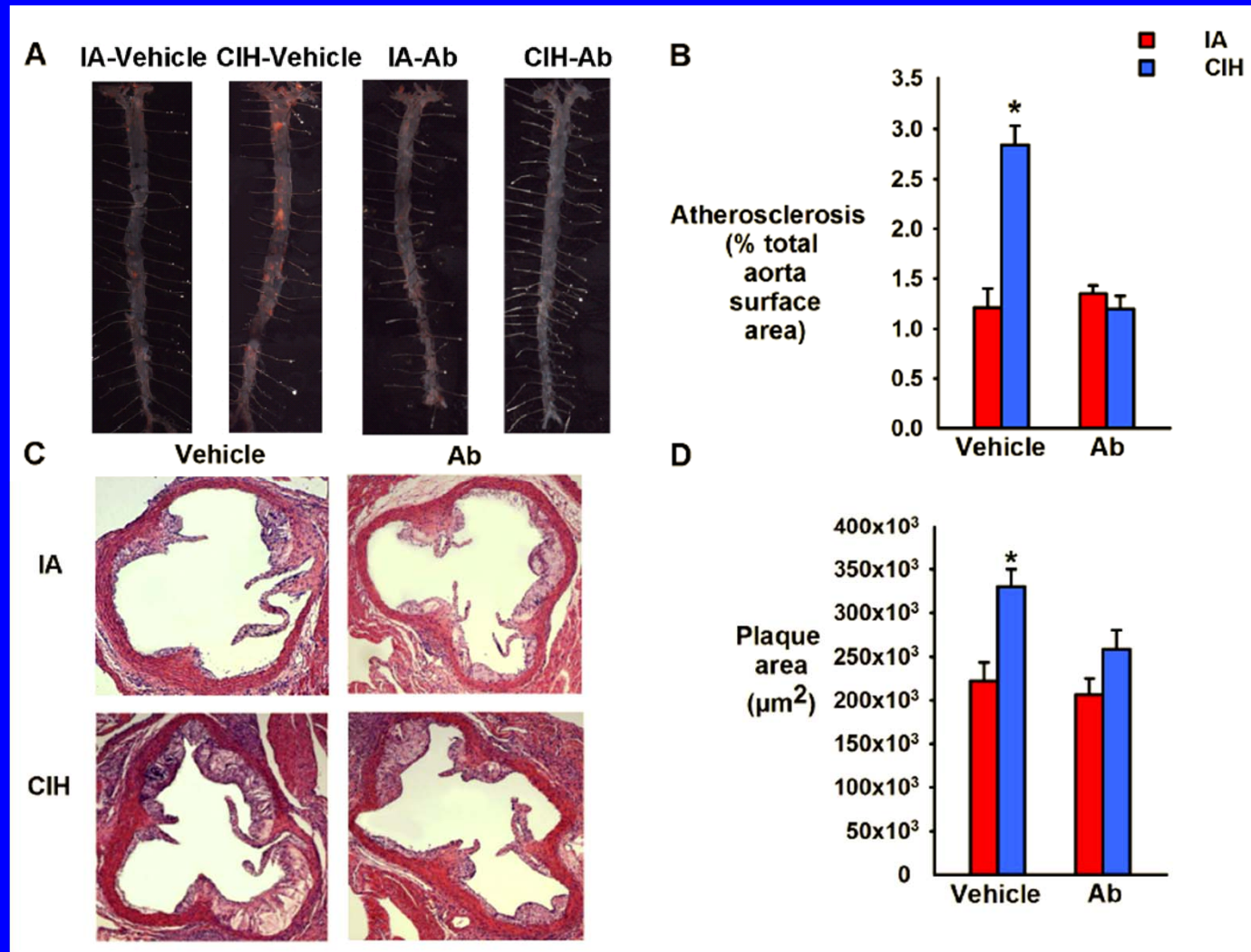
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Angptl4 Ab prevent CIH-induced dyslipidemia

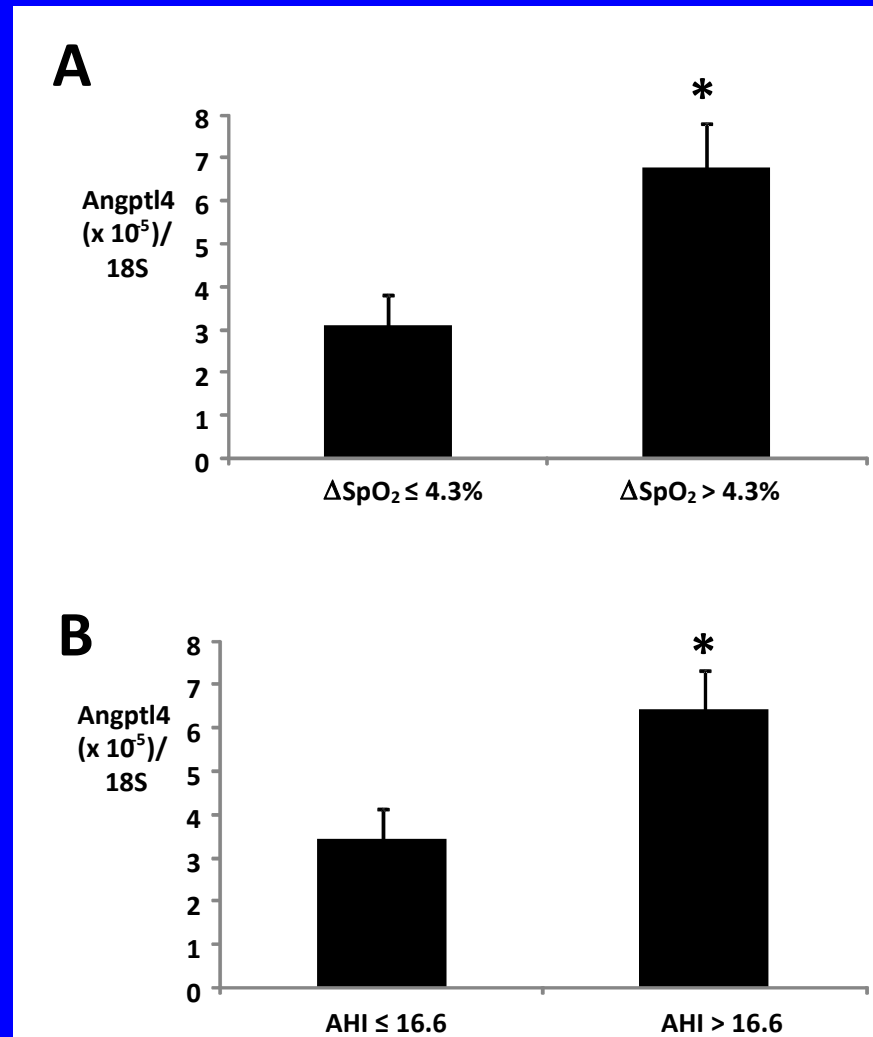


Drager, Yao et al. AJRCCM 2013; 188:240-8

Angptl4 Ab prevent CIH-induced atherosclerosis



In obese patients, expression of Angptl4 in subcutaneous fat depended on the severity of hypoxemia and OSA



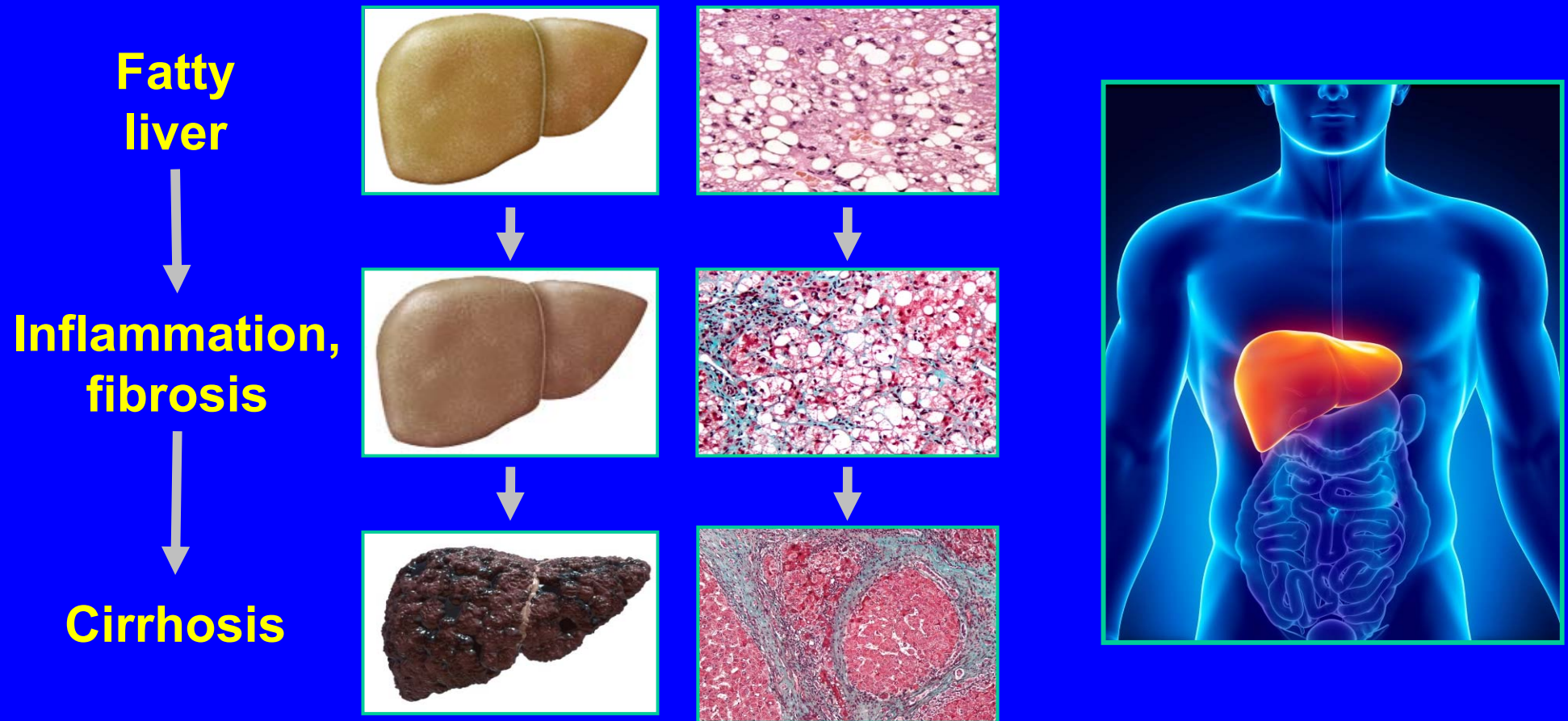
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Intermittent Hypoxia and Lipoprotein Clearance

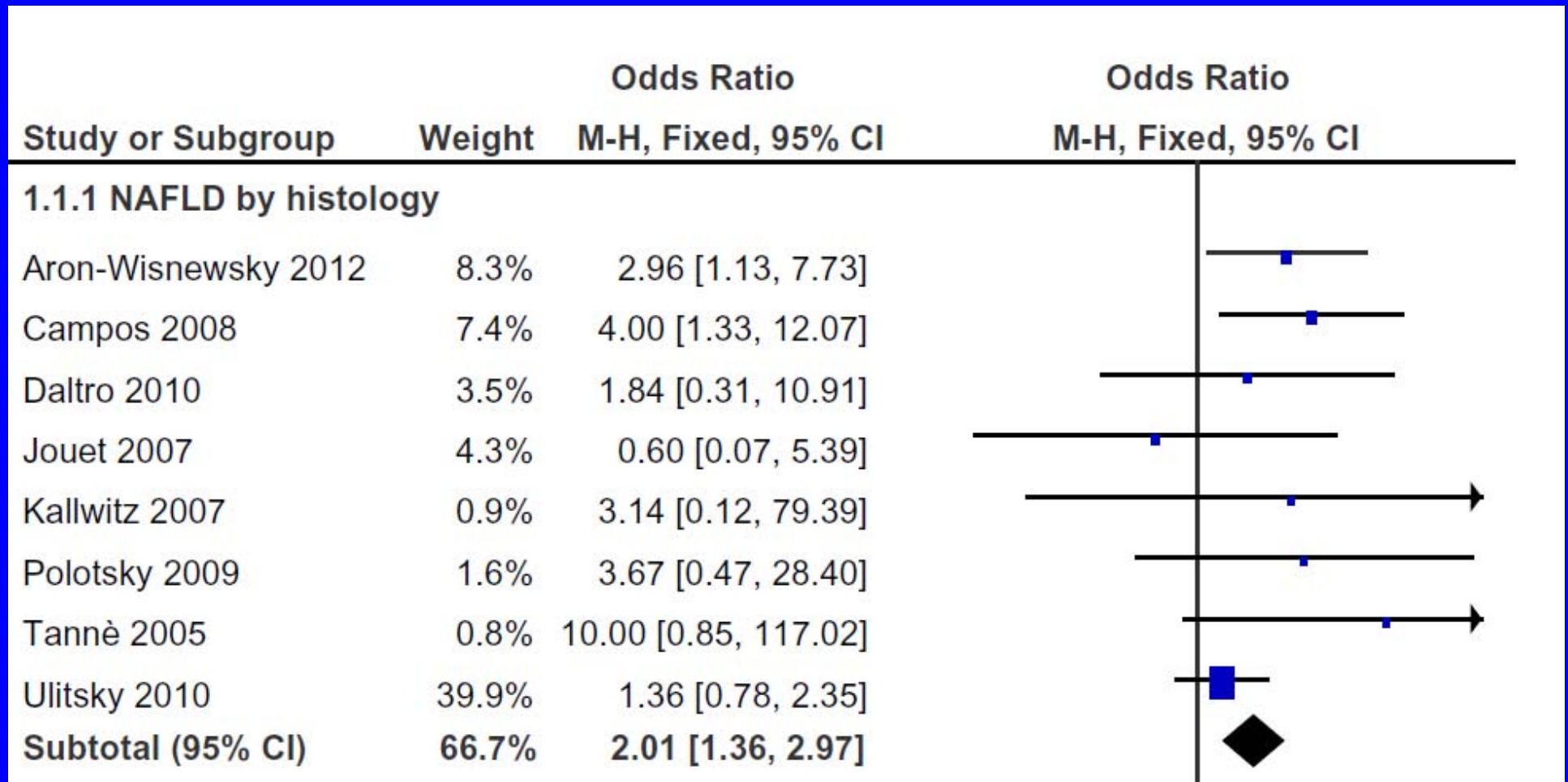
- ↓ Lipoprotein clearance by up-regulating adipose Angptl4, a potent inhibitor of lipoprotein lipase
- Adipose tissue hypoxia may play a role in cardiovascular morbidity and mortality of OSA

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Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

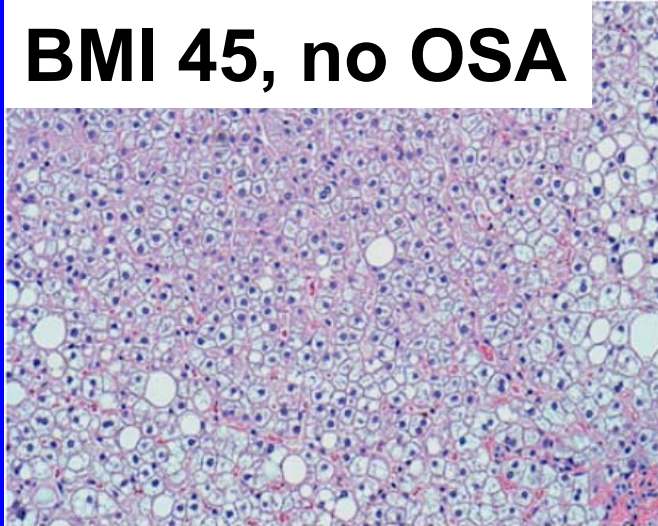


OSA and Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver

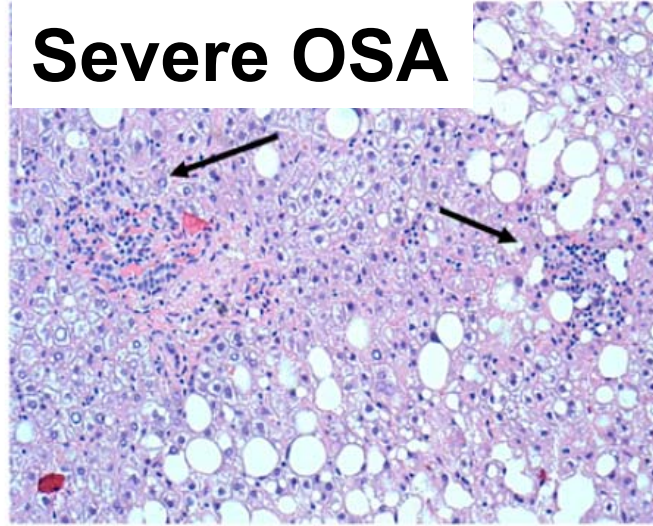


OSA and Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver

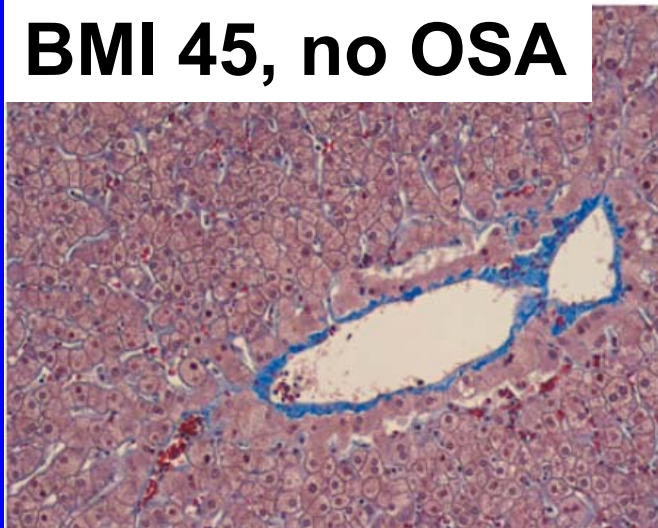
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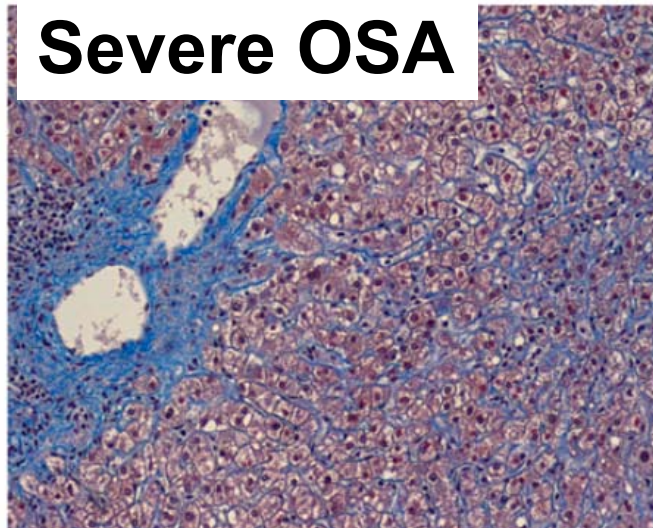
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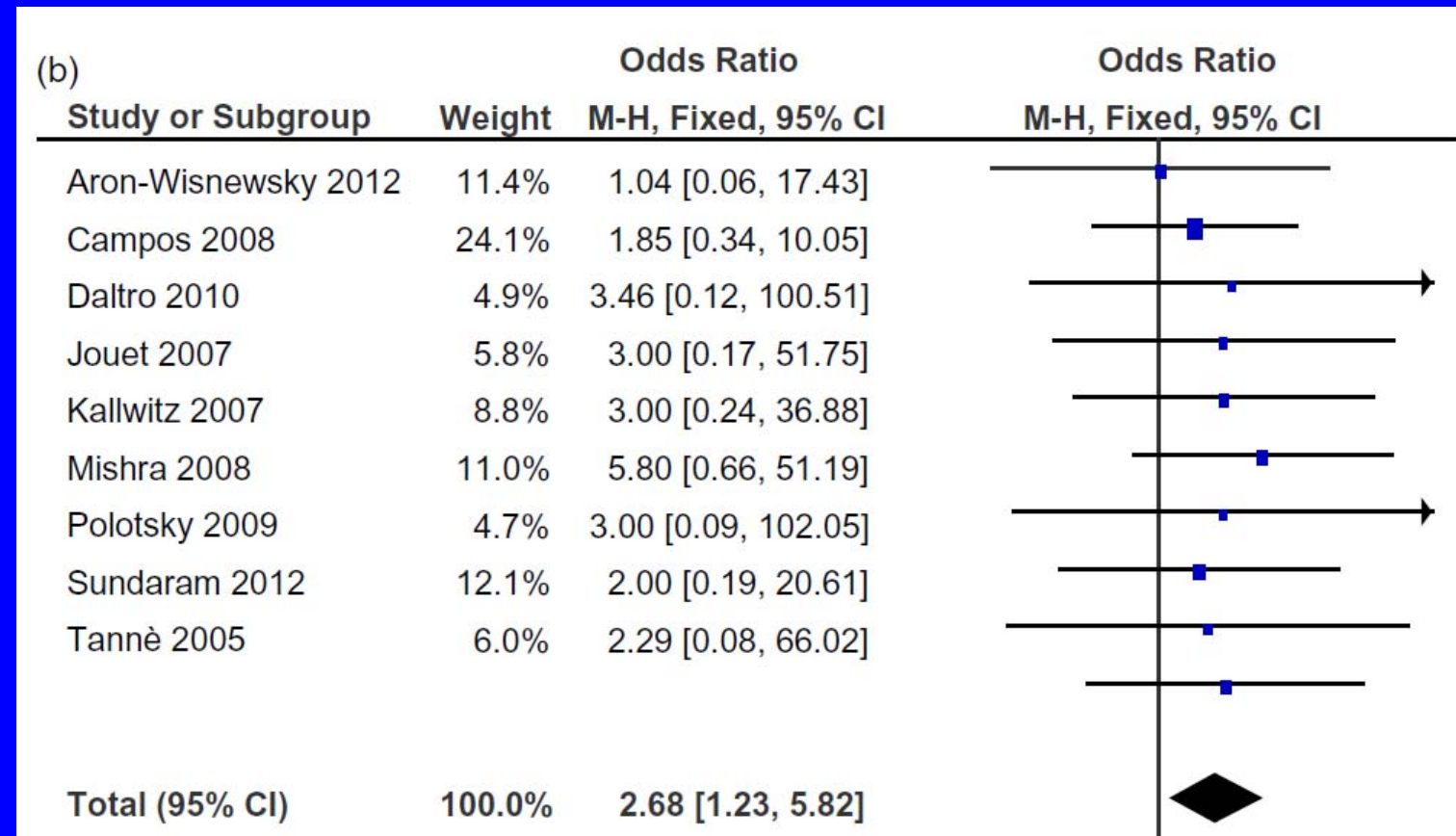


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Polotsky et al. Am J Respir Crit Care Med, 179 (2009), pp. 228–234

OSA and Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver: Liver Fibrosis

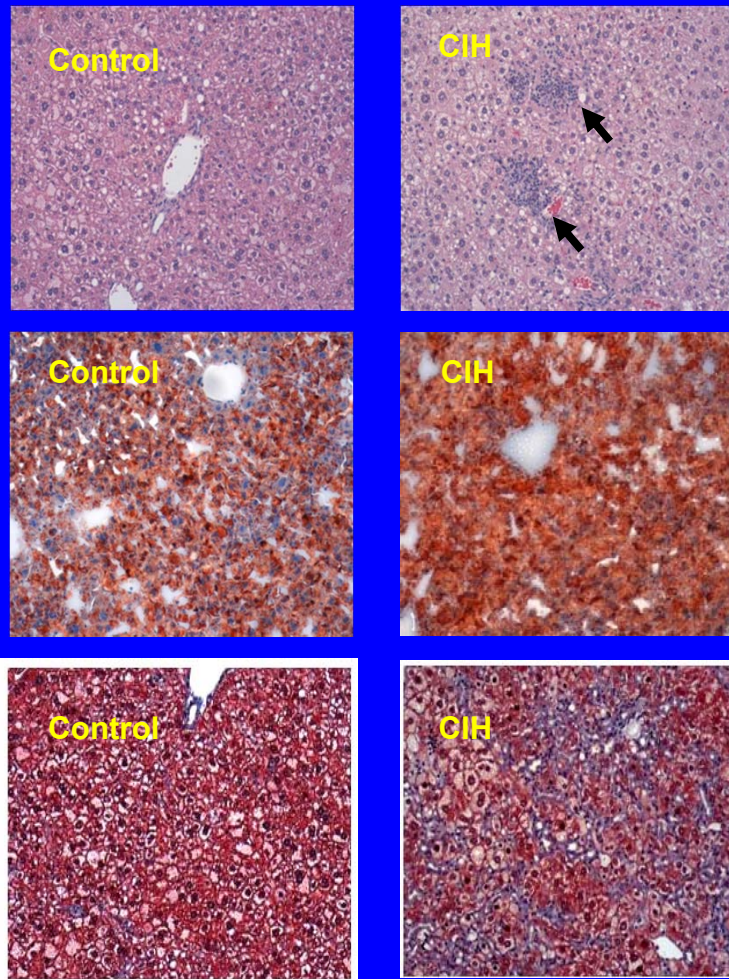


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Intermittent Hypoxia Causes Steatohepatitis and Liver Fibrosis



What are the mechanisms ?

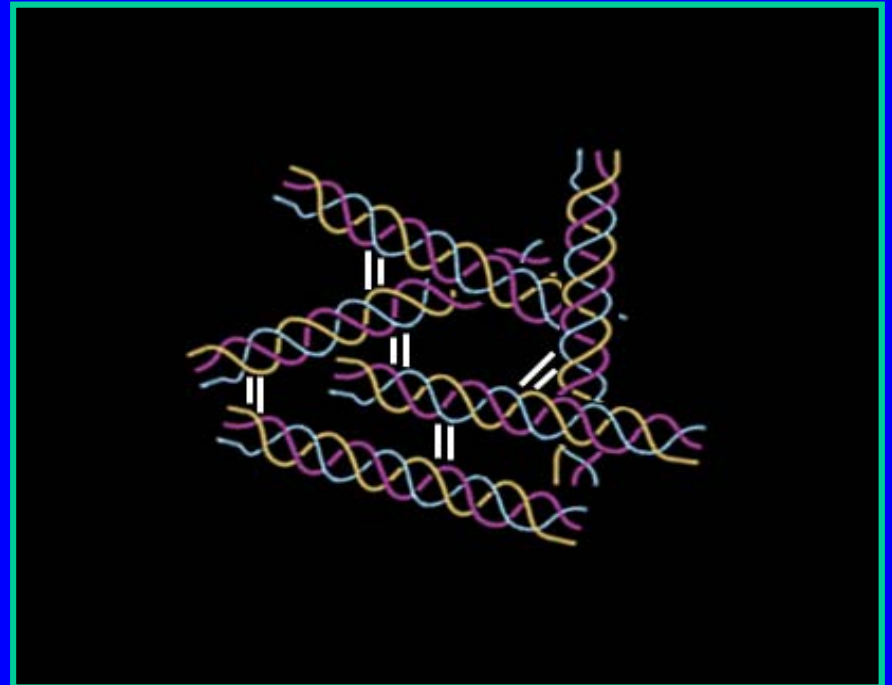


Lysyl oxidase (LOX)

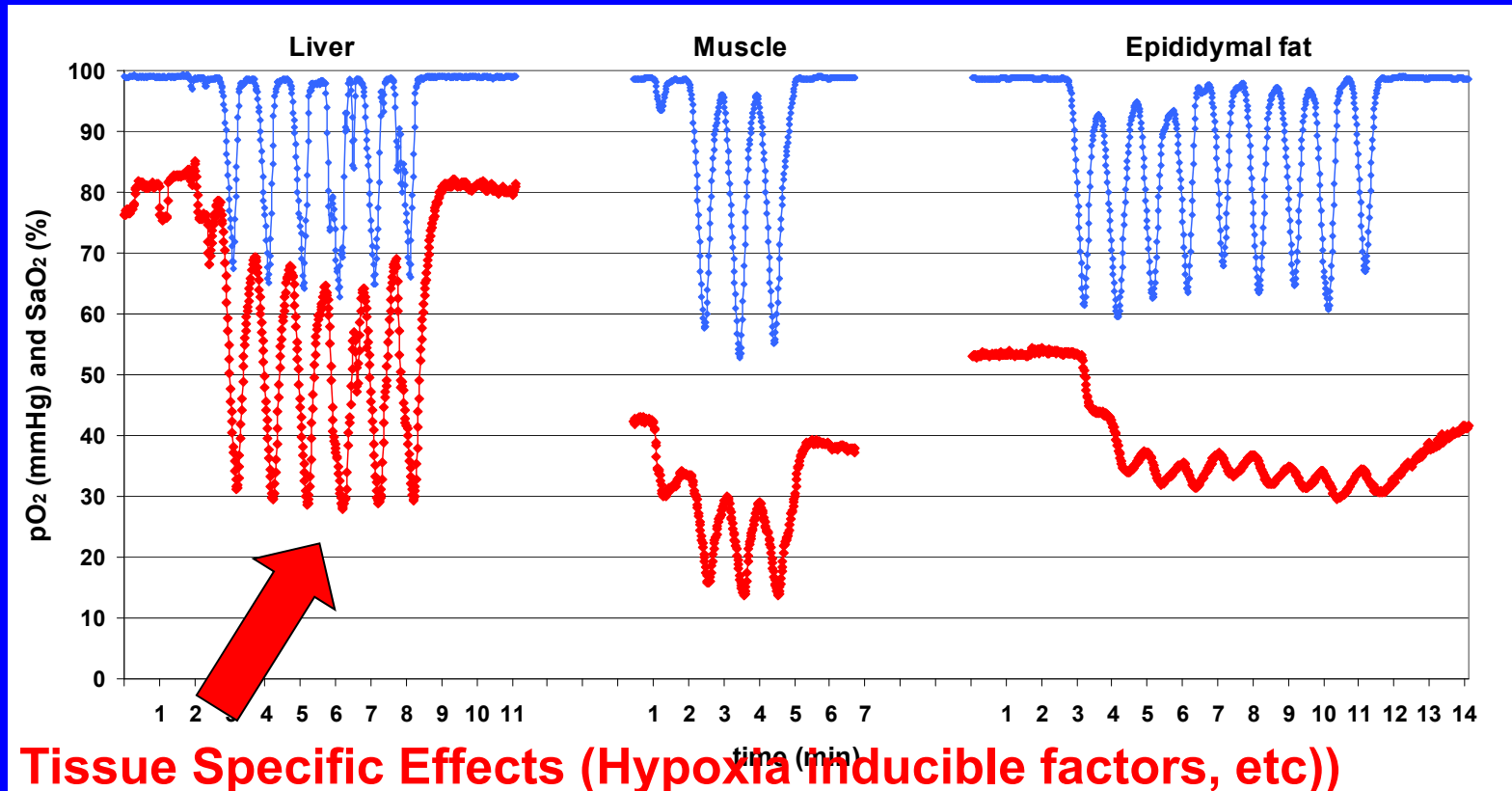
- Secreted amine oxidase.
- Catalyzes formation of covalent bonds between collagen fibers.
- Tissue hypoxia (via HIF-1) increases expression of LOX.

Kagan et al., 2003.

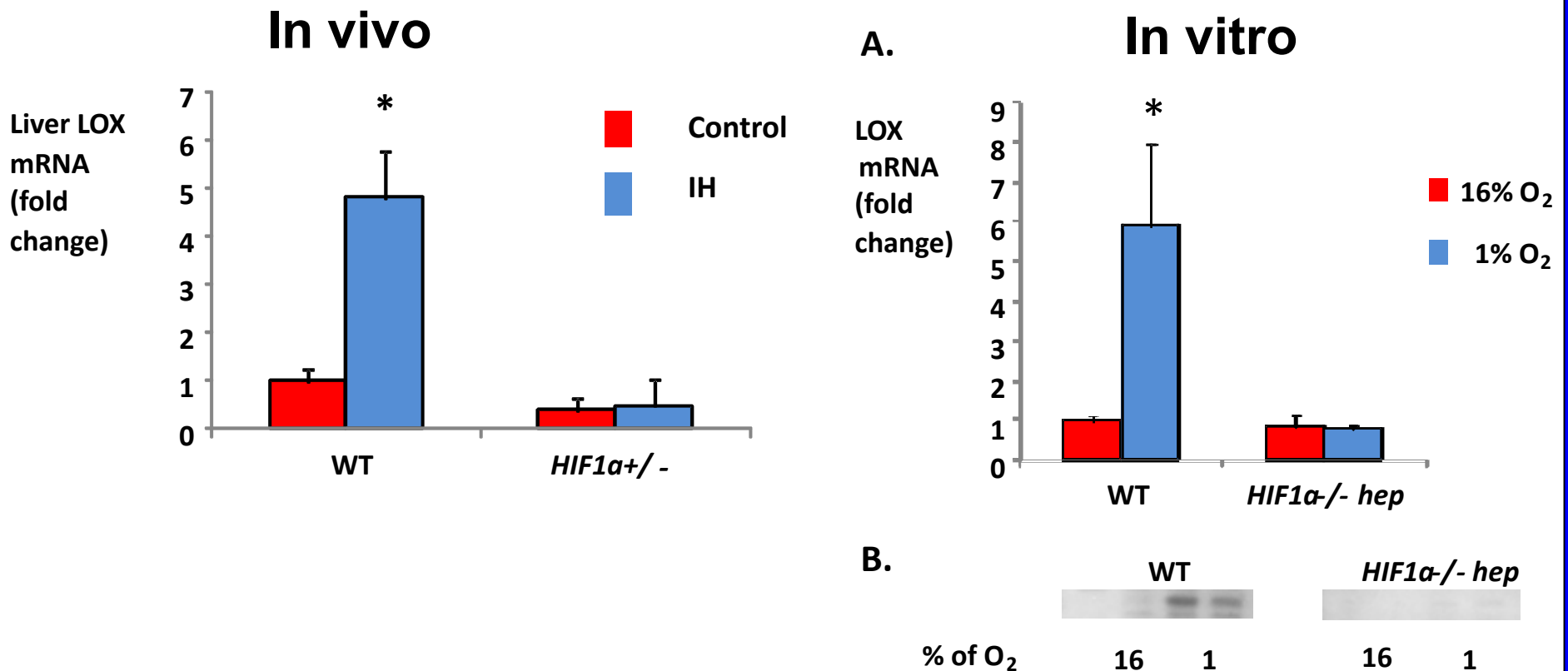
Erlar et al., 2006; Higgins et al., 2007.



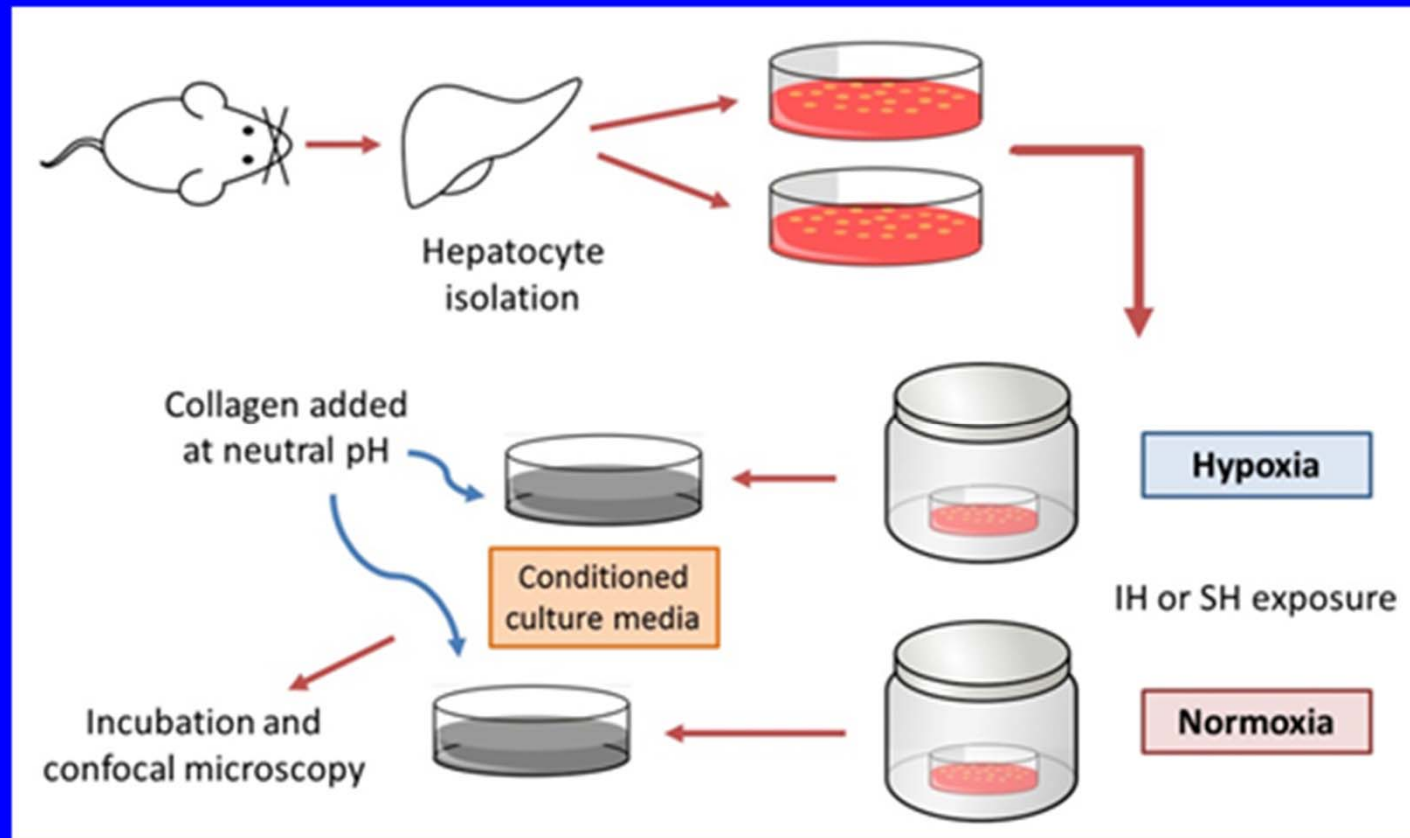
Mouse Model of Intermittent Hypoxia



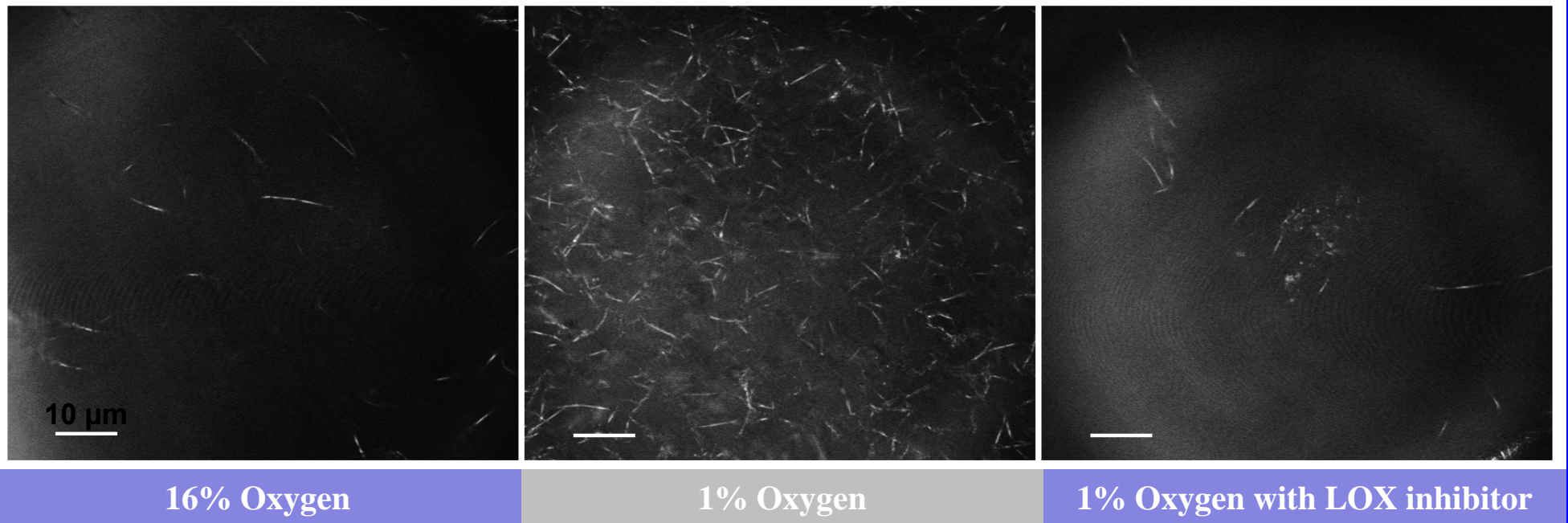
Intermittent hypoxia up-regulates collagen cross-linking enzyme lysyl oxidase in hepatocytes via hypoxia inducible factor 1 α



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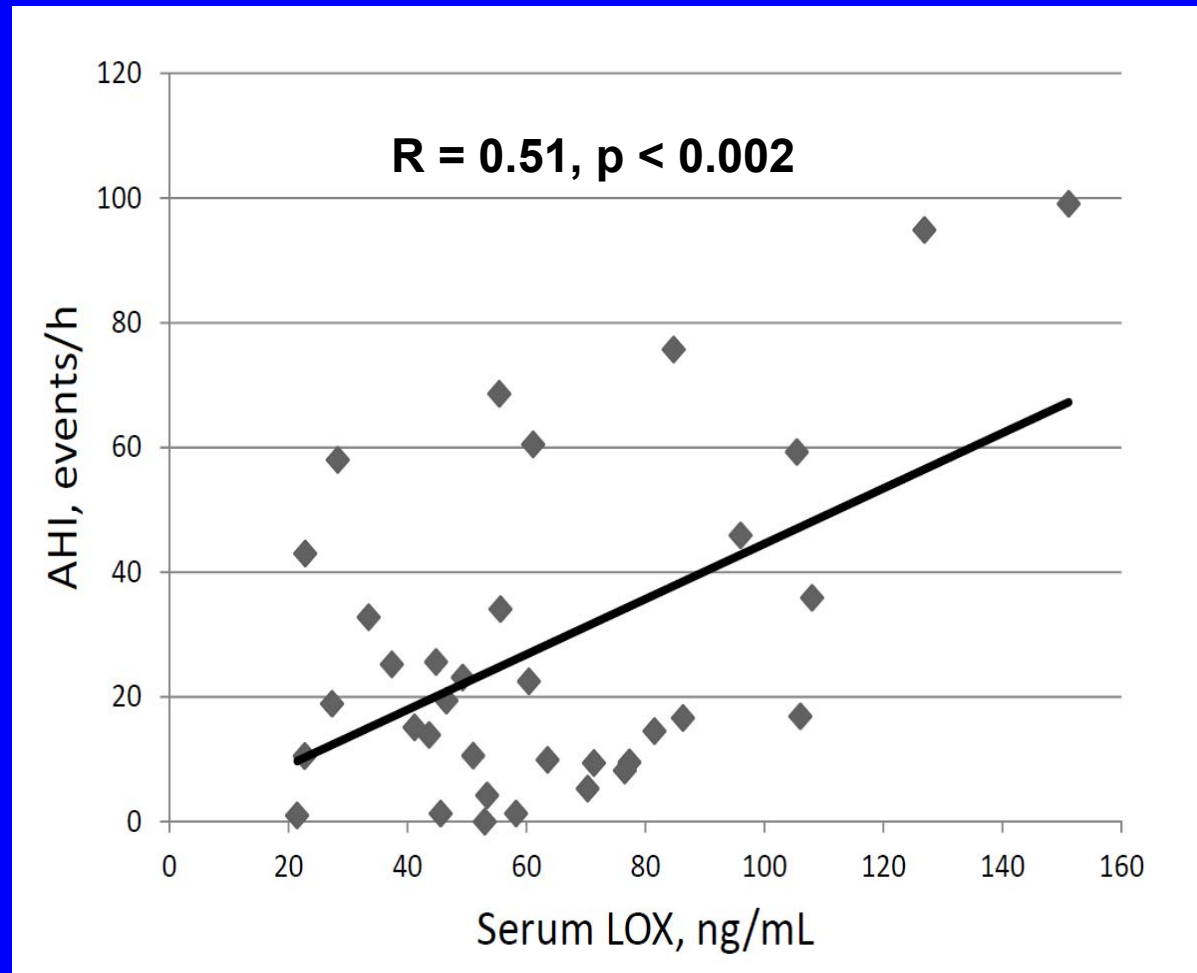


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Study design

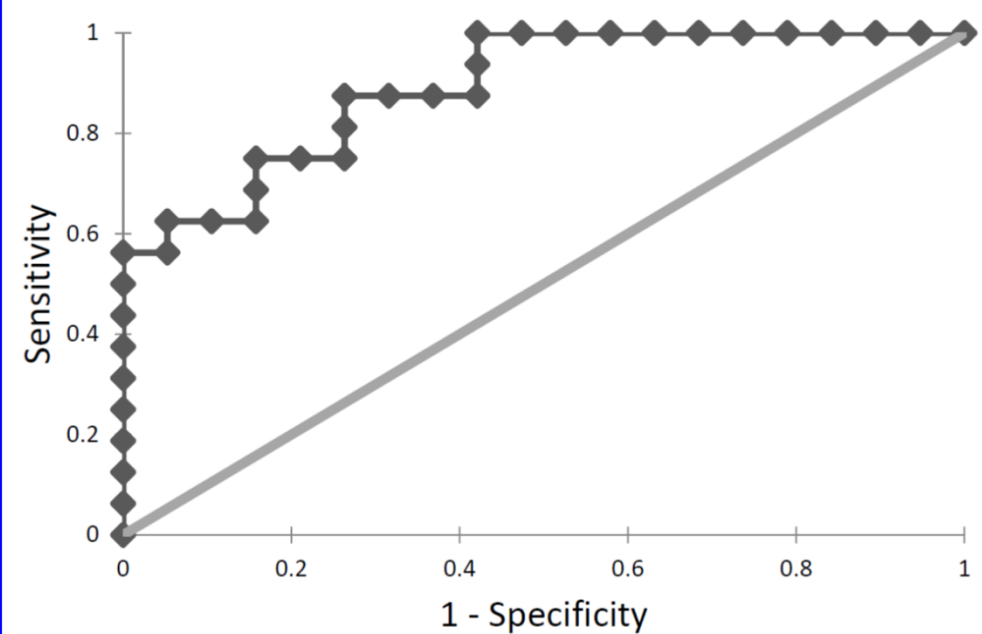
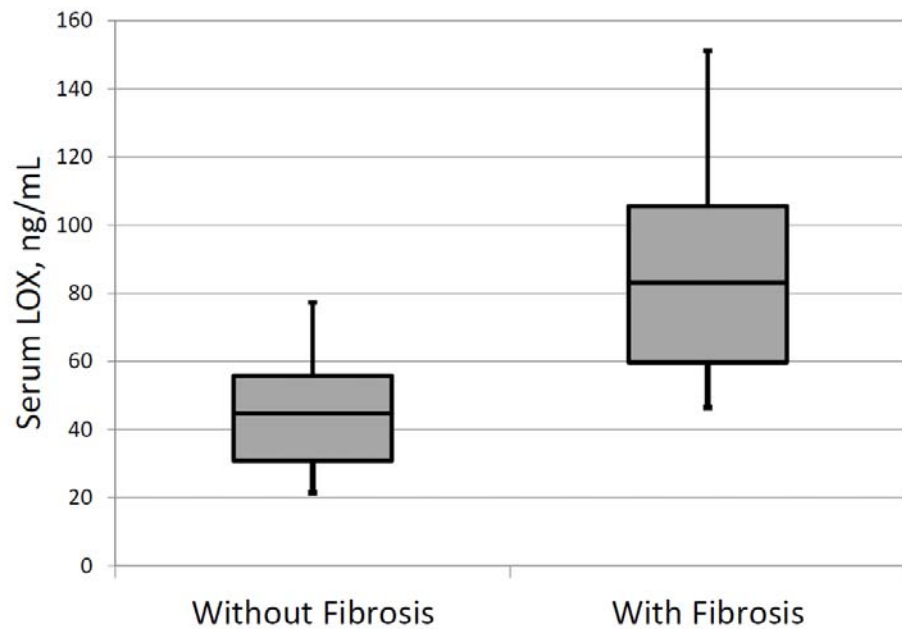
- 35 consecutive patients recruited from the Bariatric Surgery clinic at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.
- Polysomnogram
- Serum LOX checked the morning after PSG.
- Liver biopsies analyzed for steatosis, fibrosis, and NAFLD activity score.
- Patients categorized by presence/absence of hepatic fibrosis.

OSA → IH → LOX → Liver Fibrosis



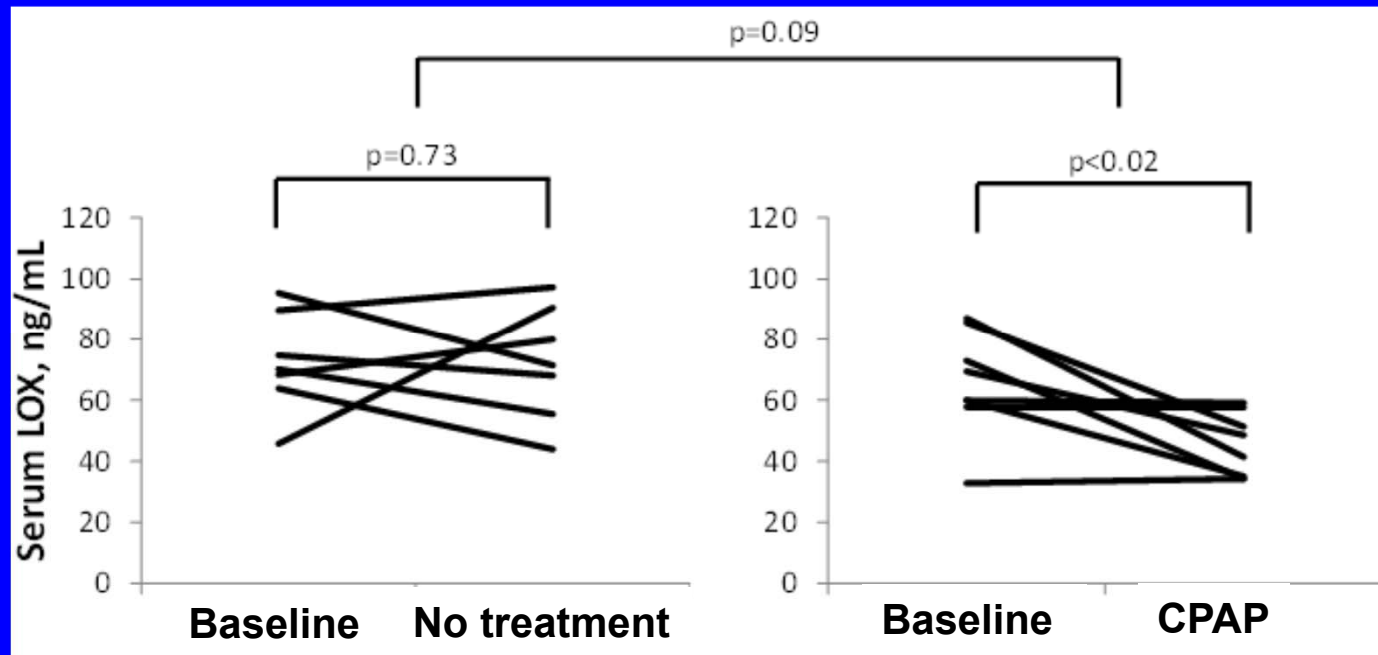
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Mechanisms of Liver Fibrosis during IH: Hypothesis

- 1. IH induces liver tissue hypoxia**
- 2. Liver tissue hypoxia up-regulates HIF-1 α**
- 3. HIF-1 α up-regulates LOX**
- 4. LOX cross-links collagen resulting in liver fibrosis**

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