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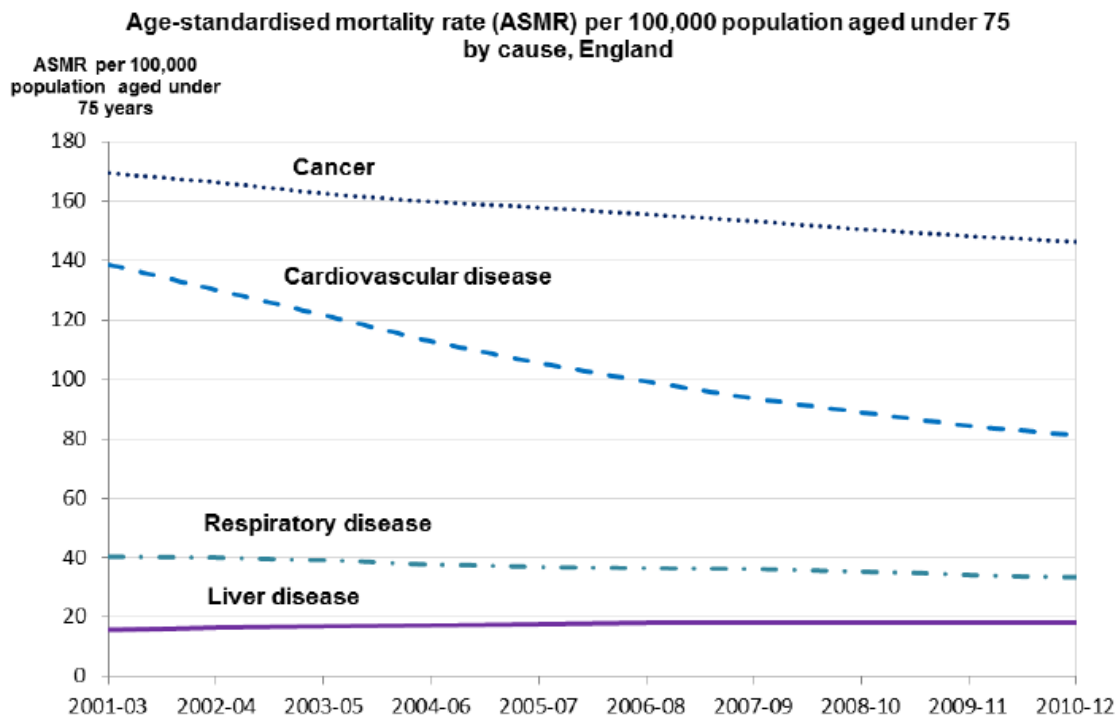
# Burden of cancer attributed to obesity & diabetes:

opportunities for cancer prevention & optimising diabetes management

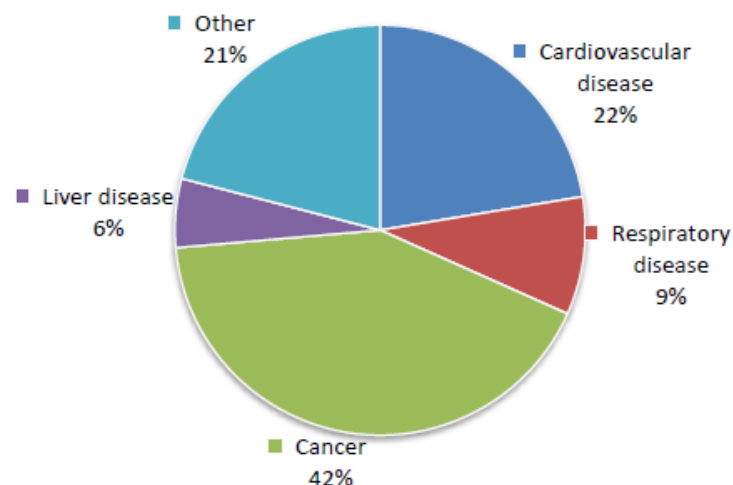
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# Top 4 causes of death in UK



% of all deaths for people aged under 75 years



# A third of cancers are preventable

## Cases



New cases of cancer,  
2015, UK

## Deaths



Deaths from cancer,  
2016, UK

## Survival



Survive cancer for 10  
or more years, 2010-  
11, England and  
Wales

## Preventable cases



Cancer cases are  
preventable, UK, 2015

# Background

- 221 datasets from prospective observational studies
- 20 cancer types
- standardised dose-response meta-analysis
- expressed as risk per 5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

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## Body-mass index and incidence of cancer: a systematic review and meta-analysis of prospective observational studies



*Andrew G Renehan, Margaret Tyson, Matthias Egger, Richard F Heller, Marcel Zwahlen*

### Summary

**Background** Excess bodyweight, expressed as increased body-mass index (BMI), is associated with the risk of some *Lancet 2008; 371: 569-78*

# Background (IARC 2016): BMI & cancer risk

Obesity-related cancers	
1	Oesophageal adenocarcinoma
2	Gastric cardia
3	Colon and rectum
4	Liver
5	Gallbladder
6	Pancreas
7	Post-menopausal breast
8	Endometrial
9	Ovarian
10	Kidney: renal cell
11	Meningioma
12	Thyroid
13	Multiple myeloma



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## **Body Fatness and Cancer — Viewpoint of the IARC Working Group**

Béatrice Lauby-Secretan, Ph.D., Chiara Scoccianti, Ph.D., Dana Loomis, Ph.D.,  
Yann Grosse, Ph.D., Franca Bianchini, Ph.D., and Kurt Straif, M.P.H., M.D., Ph.D.,  
for the International Agency for Research on Cancer Handbook Working Group

But 'once-only' BMI is a 'crude' measure of cumulative adiposity exposure

# Global population attributable fraction

## Global burden of cancer attributable to high body-mass index in 2012: a population-based study



Melina Arnold\*, Nirmala Pandeya\*, Graham Byrnes, Andrew G Renehan, Gretchen A Stevens, Majid Ezzati, Jacques Ferlay, J Jaime Miranda, Isabelle Romieu, Rajesh Dikshit, David Forman, Isabelle Soerjomataram

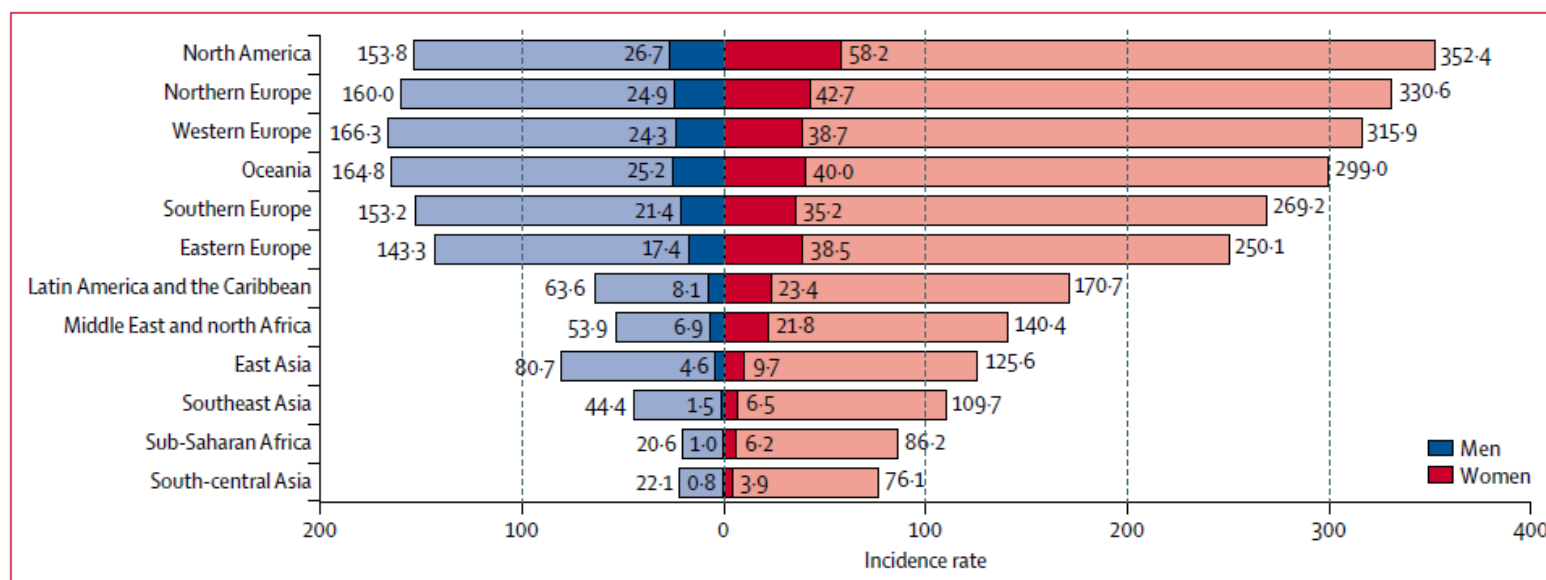
### Summary

**Background** High body-mass index (BMI; defined as 25 kg/m<sup>2</sup> or greater) is associated with increased risk of cancer. *Lancet Oncol* 2014



# PAF & excess cases attributed to high BMI

Global summary		No. of cancers
	PAF	
Women	5.4%	345,154
Men	1.9%	136,059
Both genders	3.6%	<b>481,213</b>



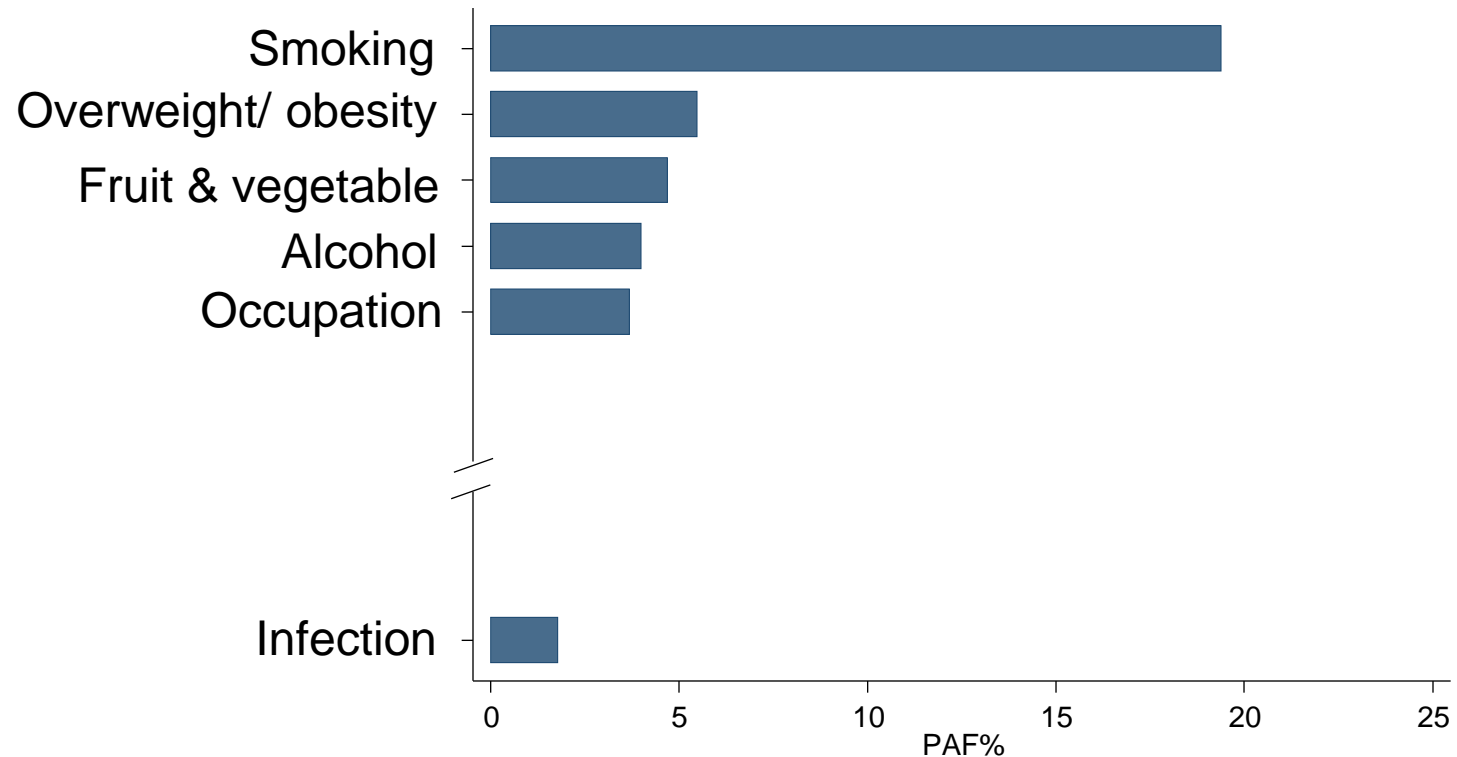
**Figure 2:** Age-standardised incidence rate of high-BMI-related cancers and high-BMI-related cancers attributable to high BMI (per 100 000 people) in 2012. Incidence data are age-standardised to the world standard population. Light bars show total incidence rates of high-body-mass-index (BMI)-related cancers, and dark bars show those attributable to high BMI.

# Comparison with other risk factors (global)

Global estimates		
Risk factor	PAF	Reference
Smoking	21%	<i>Ezzati et al. 2005</i>
(Viral) infections	16%	<i>de Martel et al. 2012</i>
Elevated BMI	3.6%	<i>Arnold et al. 2014</i>



# BMI and cancer attributable risk



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The fraction of cancer attributable to lifestyle and environmental factors in the UK in 2010

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Summary and conclusions

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# Diabetes & cancer risk

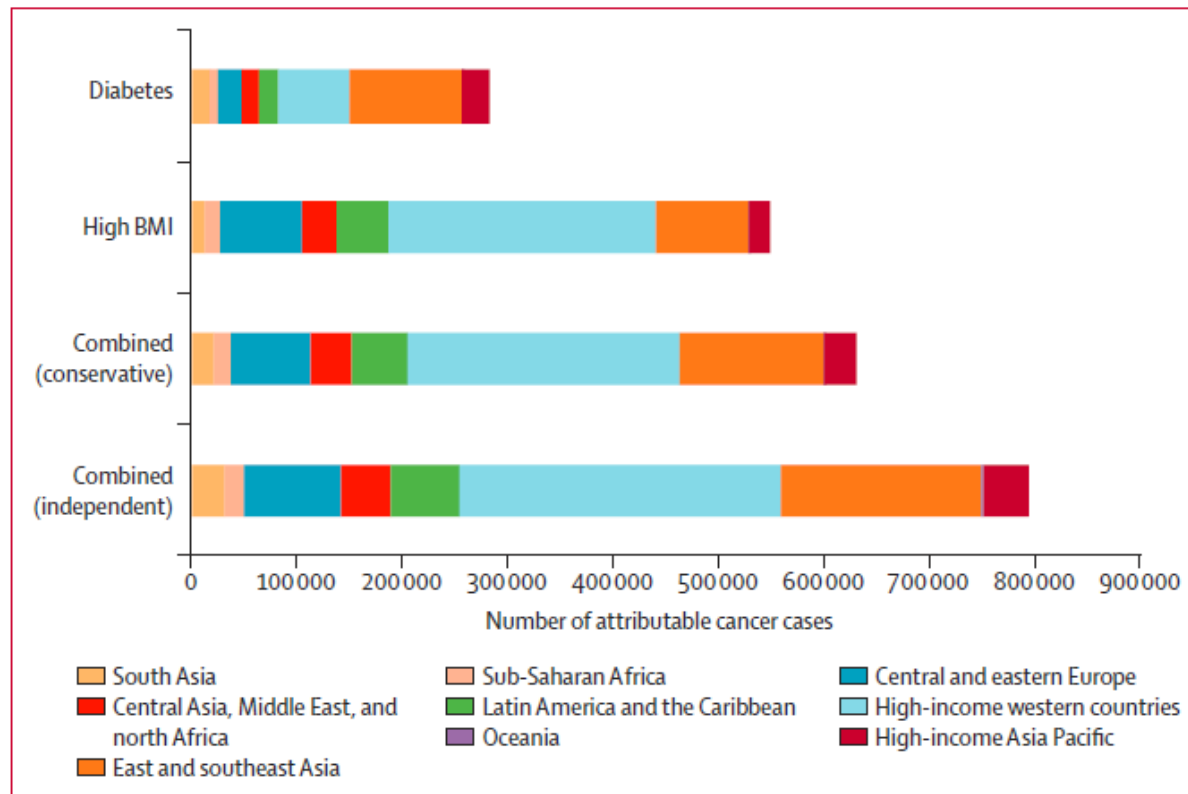


Figure 1: Global cancer cases in 2012 attributable to diabetes and high BMI, individually and combined,

## Worldwide burden of cancer attributable to diabetes and high body-mass index: a comparative risk assessment

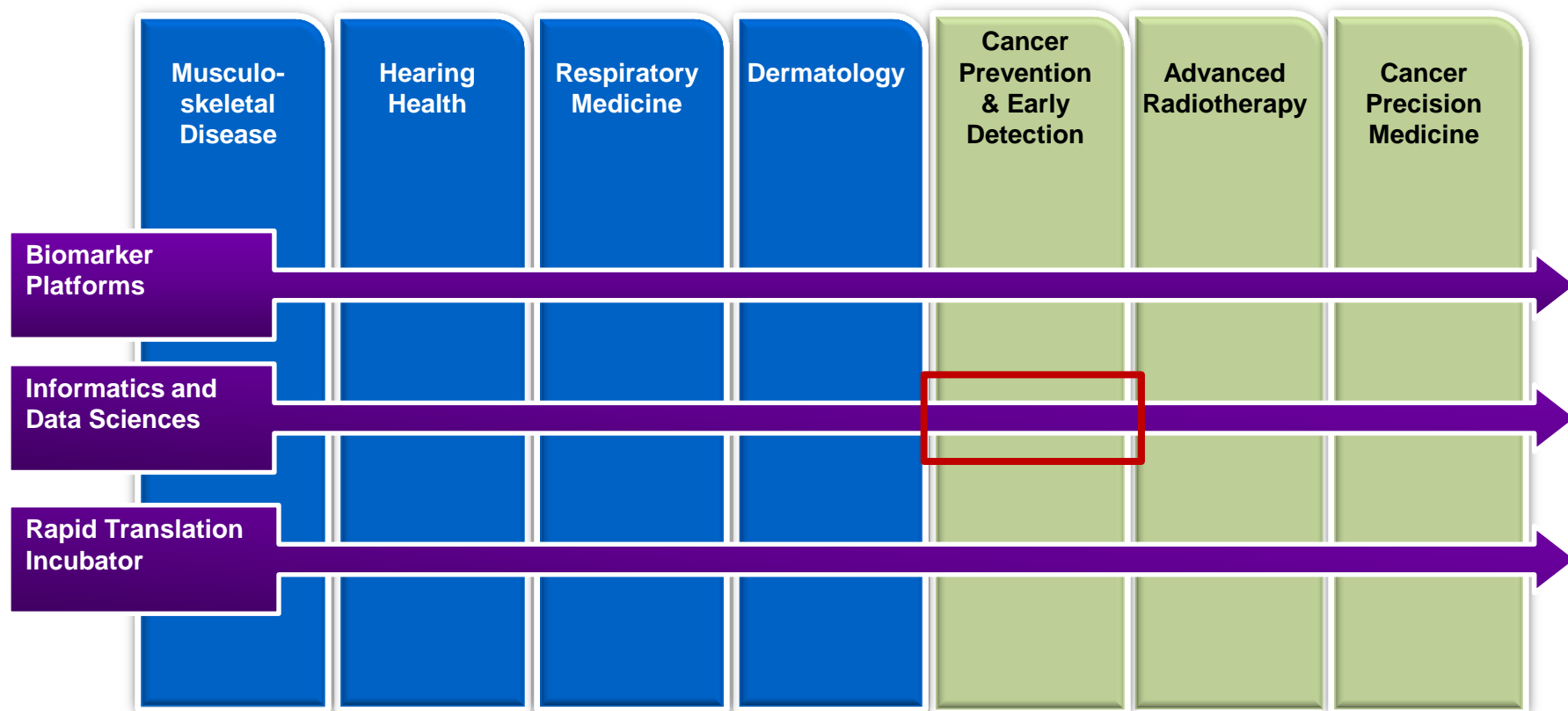
Jonathan Pearson-Stuttard, Bin Zhou, Vasilis Kontis, James Benthall, Marc J Gunter, Majid Ezzati

### Summary

**Background** Diabetes and high body-mass index (BMI) are associated with increased risk of several cancers, and are *Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol* 2017



# Manchester BRC: Obesity-cancer & cross-cutting data science



## Epidemiology MRC HeRC

Prof I Buchan Dr E Badrick



Diabetes

Obesity

Cancer

## Endometrial cancer team

Dr E Crosbie Dr V Sivalingam Dr S Kitson



## Dietary interventions



Dr M Harvie

Prof A  
Howell

Mary  
Pennington

Prof D  
French

## Clinical & non-clinical students

## Imaging biomarkers & obesity

## PROCAS & breast ca.



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C Watson  
PhD student

C Slawinski  
PhD student

K Parmar  
MD student



Prof S  
Williams

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Cuzick

# (Our) Strategies of cancer prevention through weight control

## 1. Working with national/ European organisations

- legislation
- awareness



## 2. Better understanding mechanisms → target

- lifecourse epidemiology
- measurement of ectopic adipose tissue

# 'Effectors'

OUR RESEARCH:

**Cancer Prevention and Early Detection**

Public and patient involvement and engagement

**CANCER RESEARCH UK**



Policy & prevention



Dr Gillian Rosenberg



Media

**International Agency  
Research on Cancer**



**World Health  
Organization**



**World  
Cancer  
Research  
Fund**



**NHS**

*National Institute for  
Health Research*

**Cancer and Nutrition**

NIHR infrastructure collaboration

# BMI PROCAS sub-study



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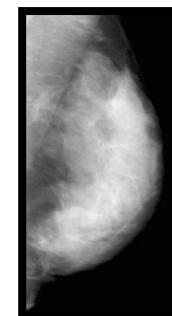
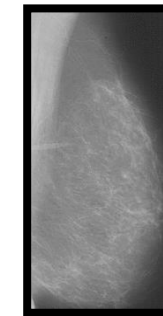
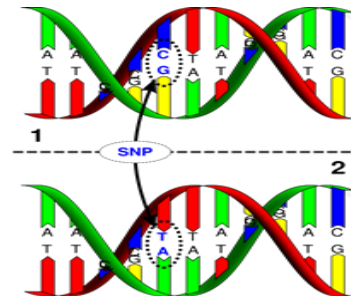
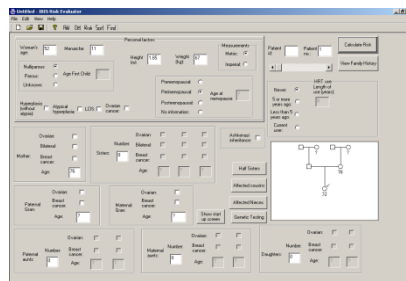
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## PRediction Of Cancer At Screening (PROCAS)

- The analysis included >57,000 women (aged 47–73: median 57 years) recruited between Oct 2009 & June 2015
- Through national breast cancer screening programme
- Region: Greater Manchester





# Ectopic fat & cancer risk

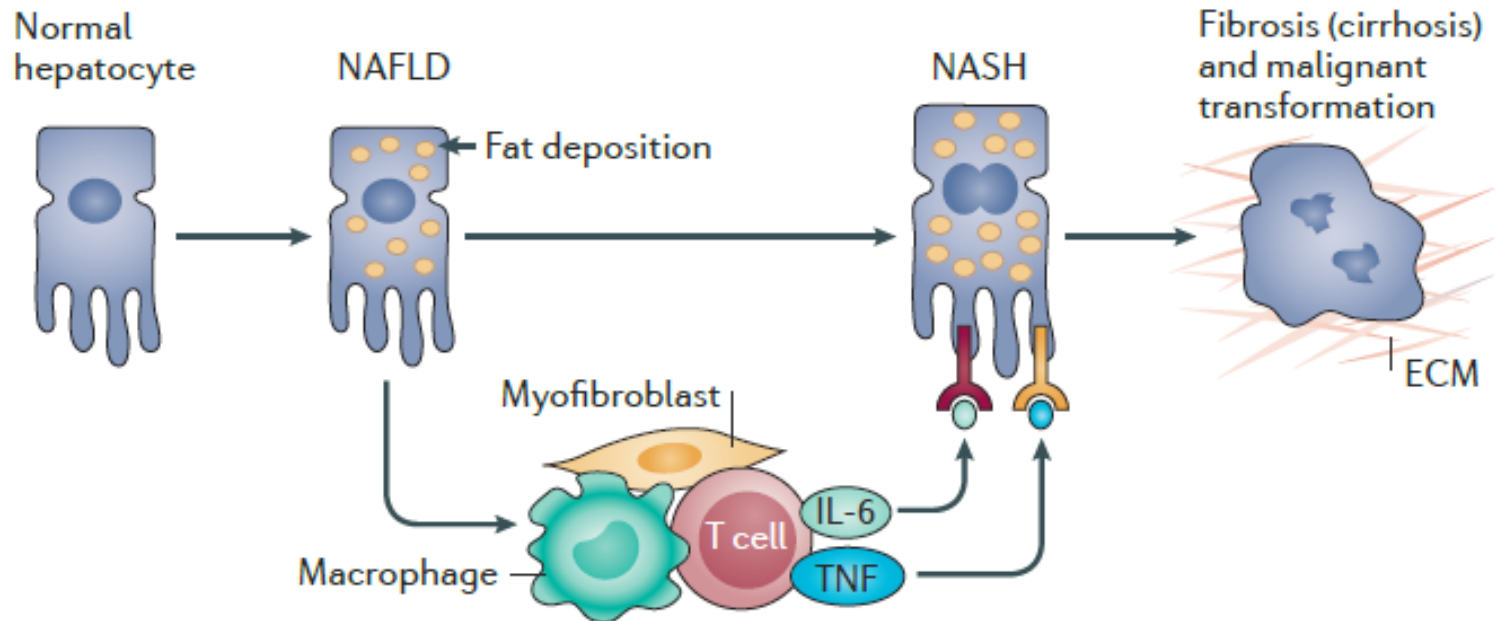


Figure 3 | **Hypothesized steatosis-hepatocellular carcinoma pathway.** In the

## REVIEWS

Adiposity and cancer risk:  
new mechanistic insights  
from epidemiology

2015

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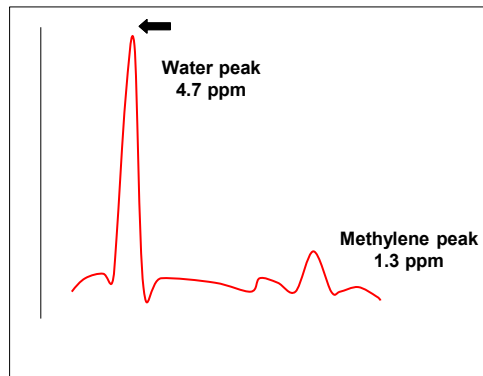
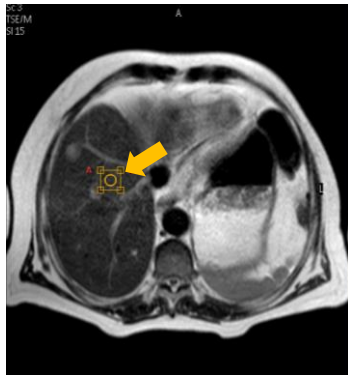
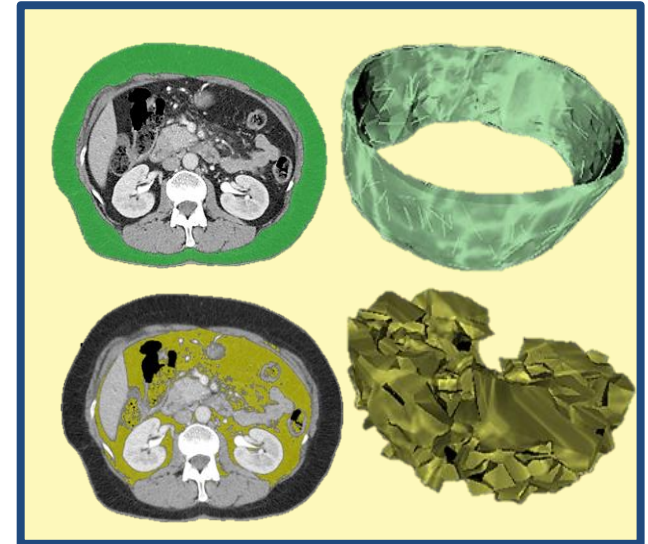
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# MR image quantification of visceral adipose tissue & intra-hepatic fat

Visceral Adipose Tissue (VAT)  
Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue (SAT)



Intra-hepatic  
fat quantification

Thank you