Animal Models of Type II Diabetes

The Jackson Laboratory

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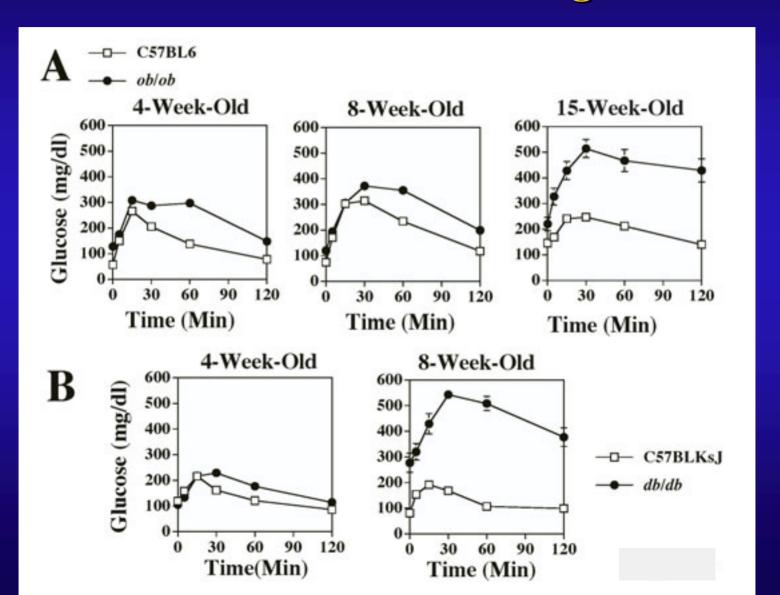
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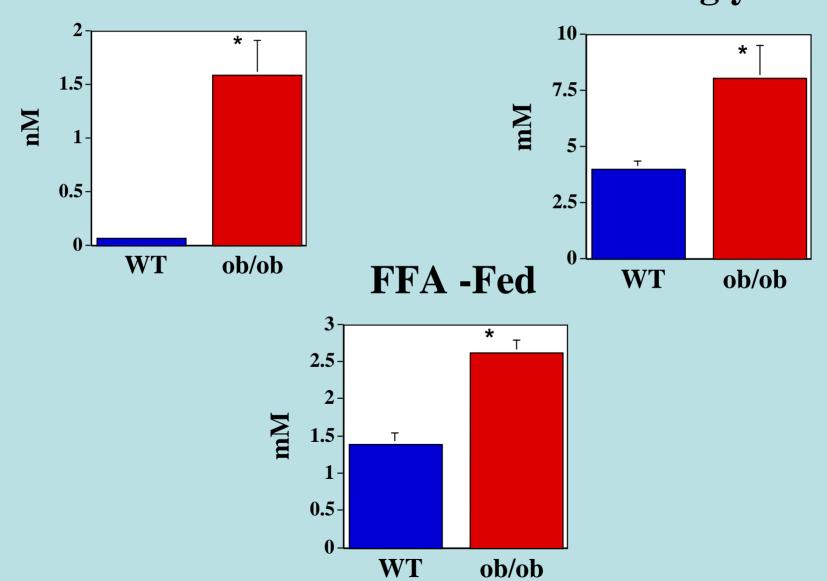
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Glucose Tolerance Tests in ob/ob and db/db Mice as a Function of Age



Metabolic Characteristics of ob/ob Mice Serum Insulin Serum Triglycerides



LV Dilatation in 8-week-old ob/ob Mice





Control

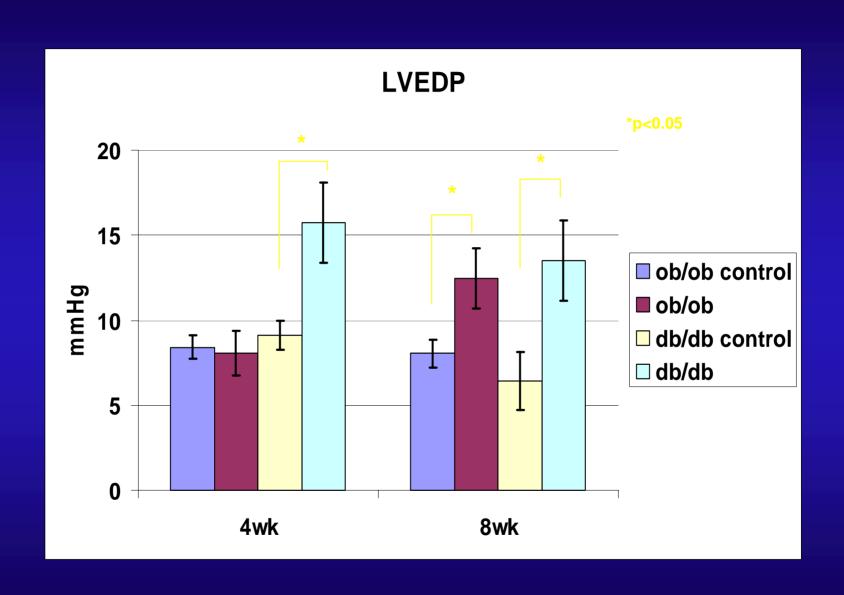




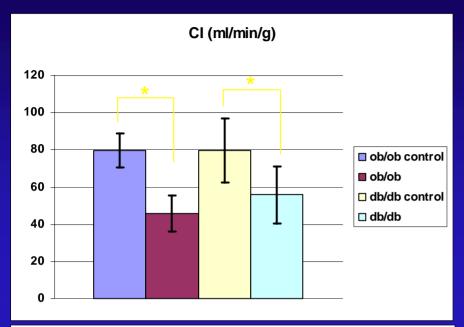
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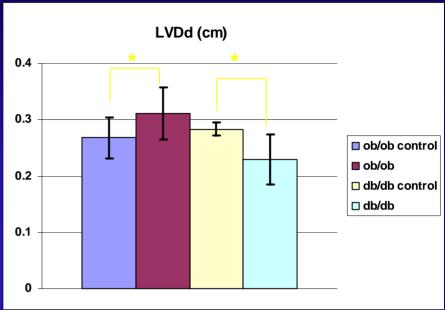
Ob/Ob Mice

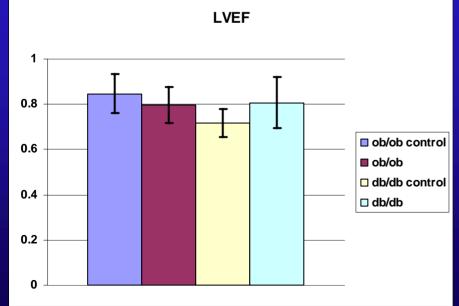
- > Decreased Ejection Fraction
- >Increased LV Mass
- **>LV Dilatation**
- **►Increased dP/dT**



4 wk ob/ob, db/db & control ECHO



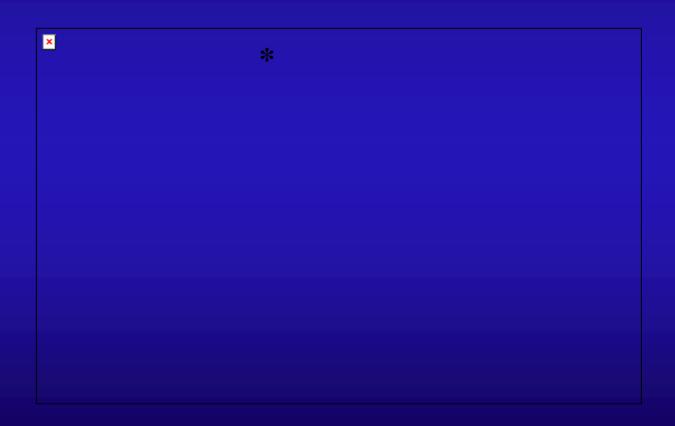




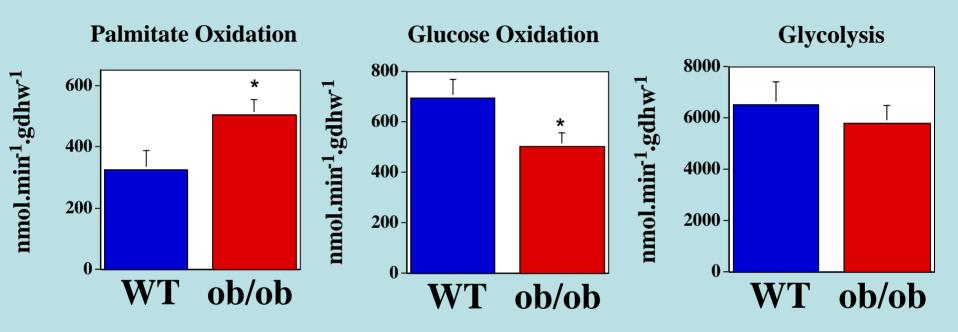
* p < 0.05 vs. control

Both ob/ob and db/db mice exhibit normal LV ejection fraction but decreased cardiac index at 4 weeks. In contrast, ob/ob mice exhibit LV dilation, while db/db mice exhibit decreased cavity size.

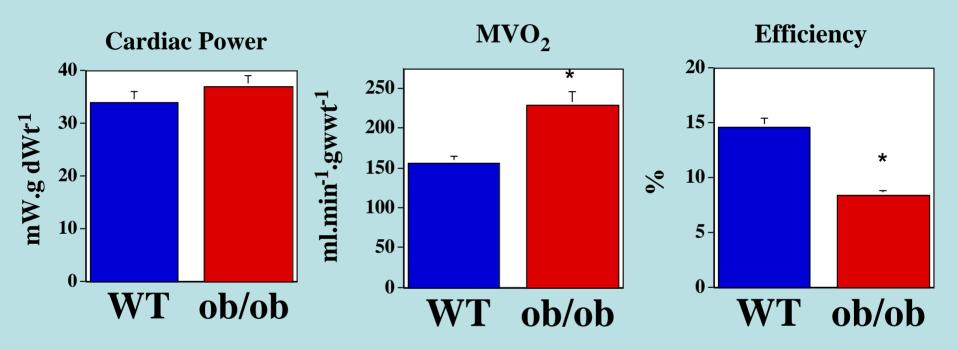
Myocardial Triglyceride Content of ob/ob Hearts



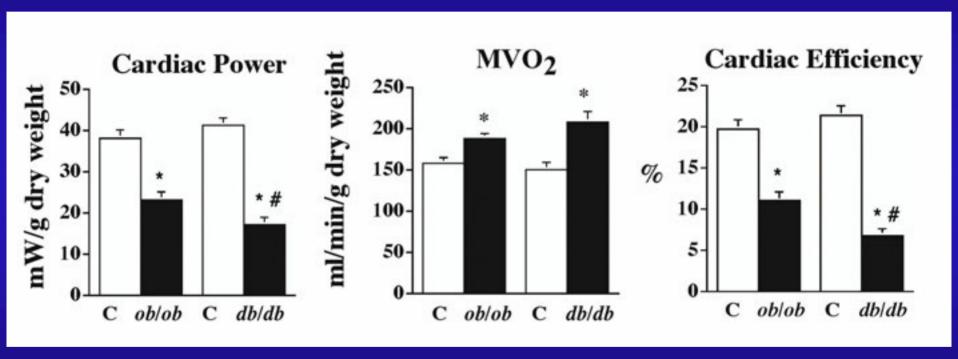
Substrate Metabolism in Hearts of 4-week-old ob/ob Mice



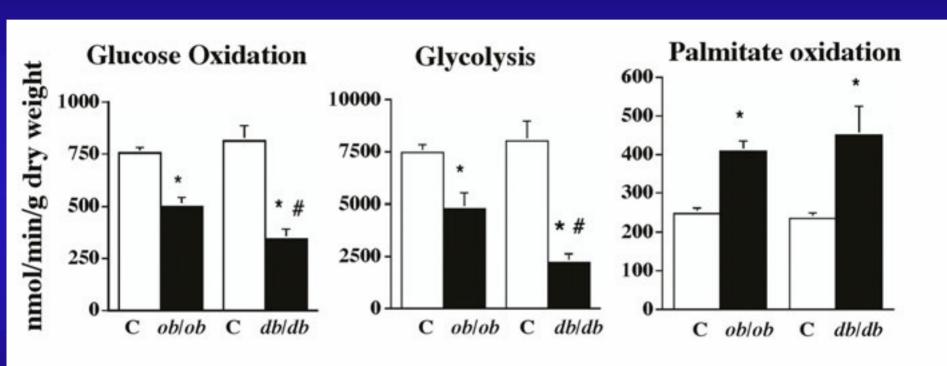
Cardiac Performance and Myocardial Oxygen Consumption in the Hearts of 4-week-old ob/ob Mice



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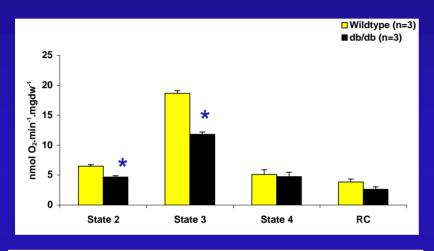
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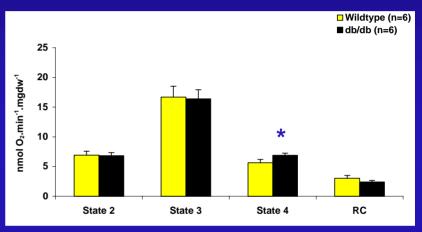


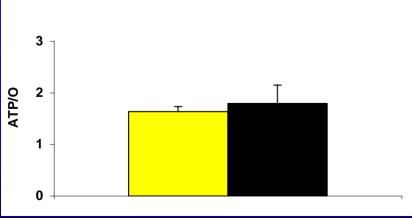
Mitochondrial Dysfunction and Increased Uncoupling in Cardiac Mitochondria from db/db Mice

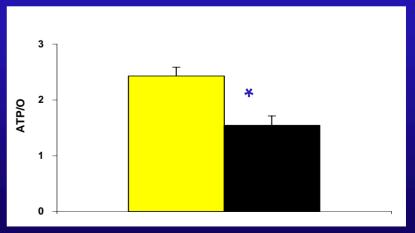
Glucose Perfused

Glucose and Palmitate Perfused



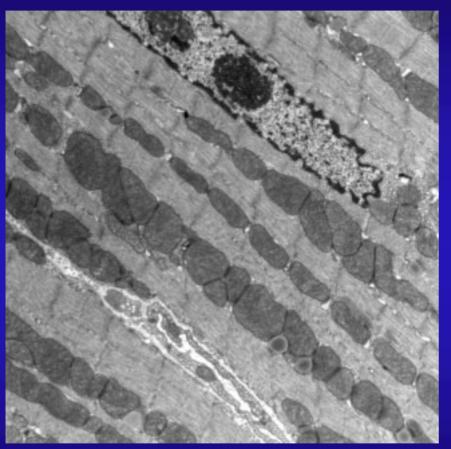


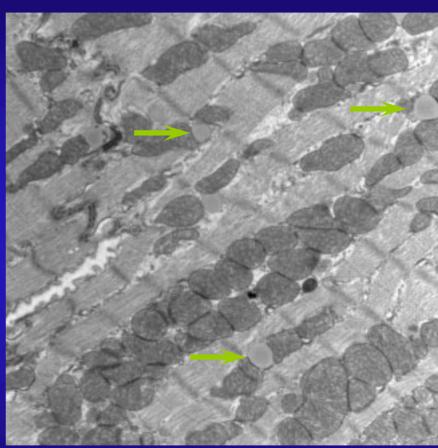




Mitochondrial respiration determined in the presence of 20 µM palmitoyl-L-carnitine

Ultrastructural Changes in ob/ob Mouse Hearts

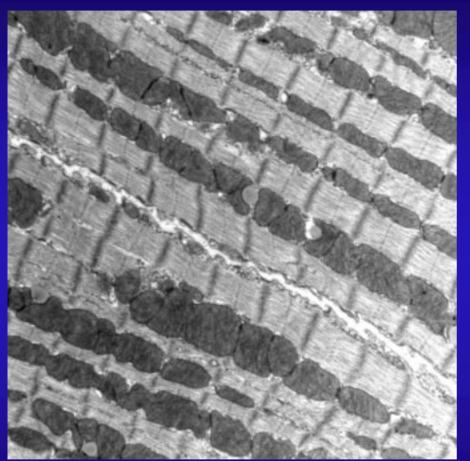


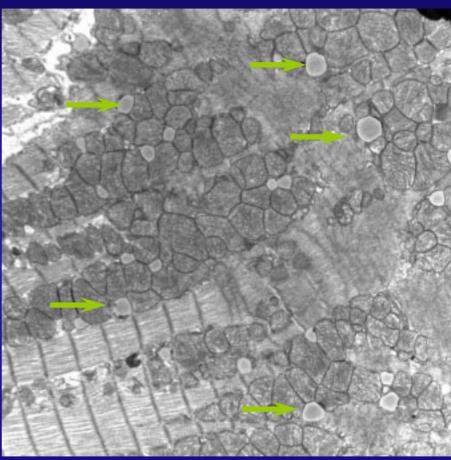


Wildtype

Ob/ob

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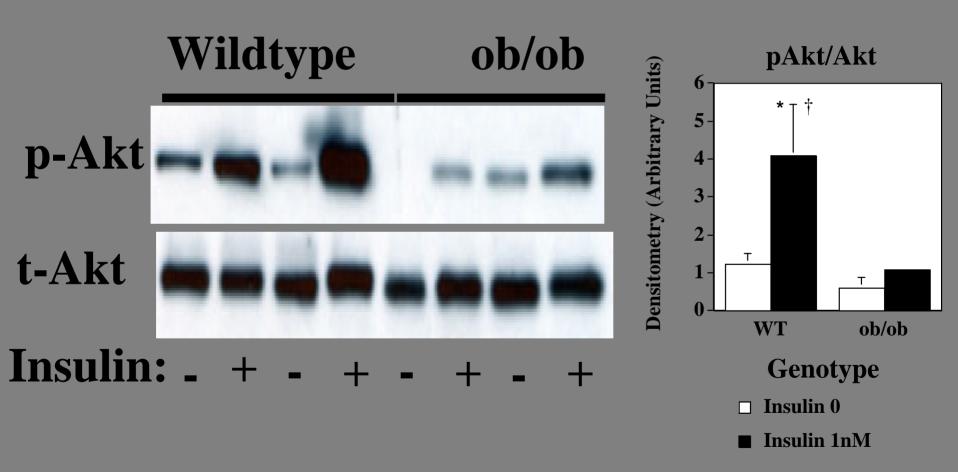




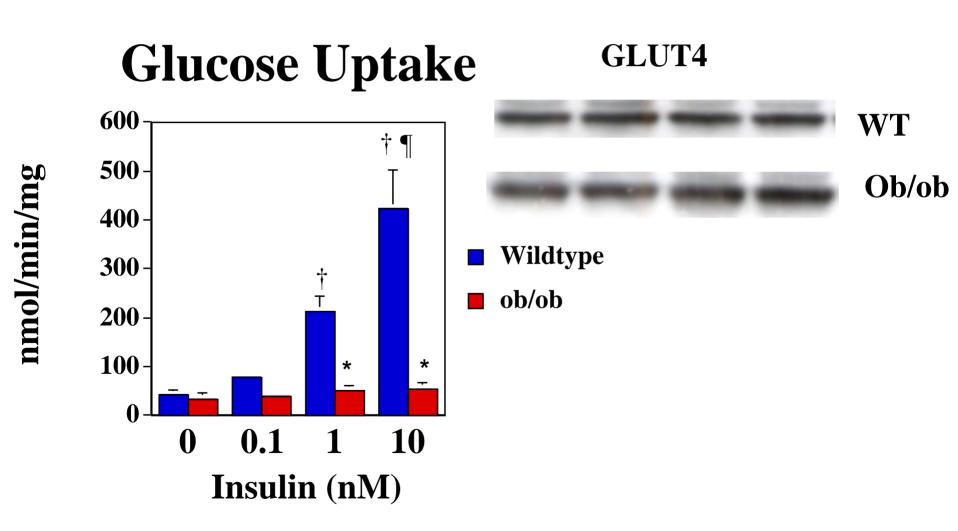
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Db/db

Insulin-Stimulated Activation of Akt is Impaired in ob/ob mouse hearts



Insulin Resistance in ob/ob Cardiomyocytes



Summary

- Cardiac Function is Impaired in the Hearts of obese, Insulin Resistant and Diabetic Mice
- These Changes Occur Prior to the Onset of Hyperglycemia
- Cardiac Dysfunction is Associated with Altered Substrate Metabolism (decreased glucose utilization and increased fatty acid utilization)
- Oxygen Consumption is Increased Decreased Myocardial Efficiency
- Increased Oxygen Consumption is Due in Part to Fatty Acid Induced Mitochondrial Uncoupling
- The Bioenergetic Deficits are Associated with Mitochondrial Proliferation

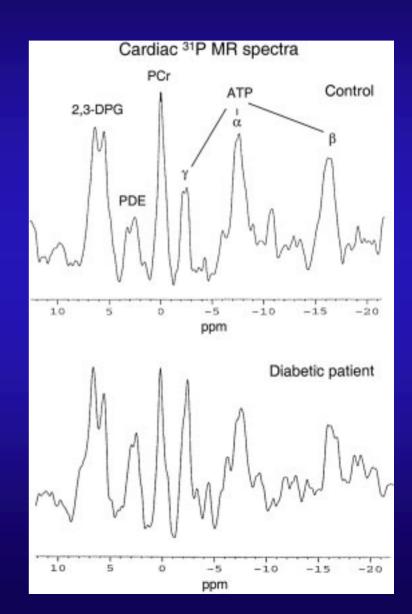
Mice versus Men

Evidence for Altered Myocardial Substrate Utilization, Insulin Resistance and Impaired Myocardial Energetics in Humans with Obesity and Diabetes

Mechanistic Observations Human Studies

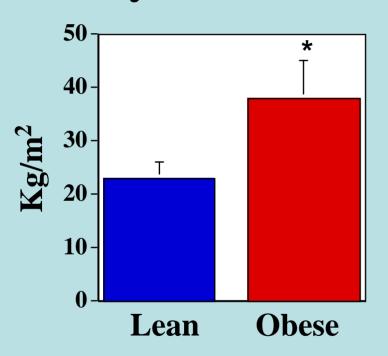
--Using NMR spectroscopy individuals with type 2 diabetes were recently shown to have reduced myocardial high energy phosphate content that was inversely associated with circulating levels of FFA (Scheuermann-Freestone M et al. Circulation 107:3040, 2003), suggesting mitochondrial dysfunction

--Using MR spectroscopy a strong association between obesity and increased myocardial triglyceride accumulation was described. Indeed myocardial TG content was positively associated with LVH and inversely associated with LV function (Szczepaniak et al. Magnetic Resonance in Medicine 49:417, 2003).

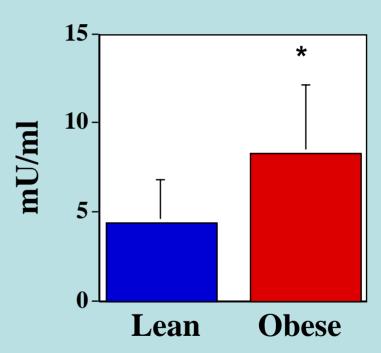


Characteristics of Study Cohort

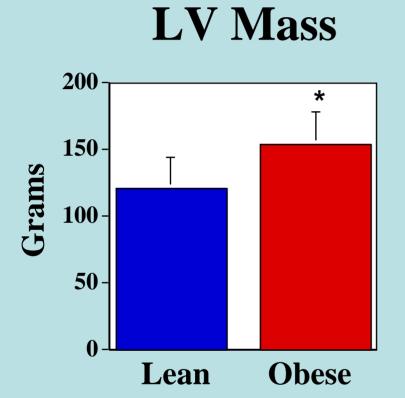
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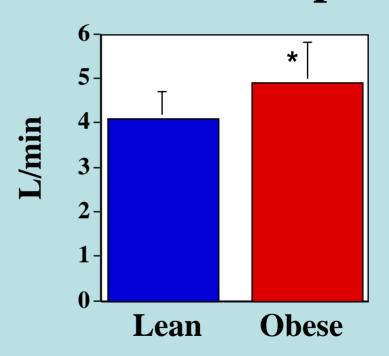
Serum Insulin



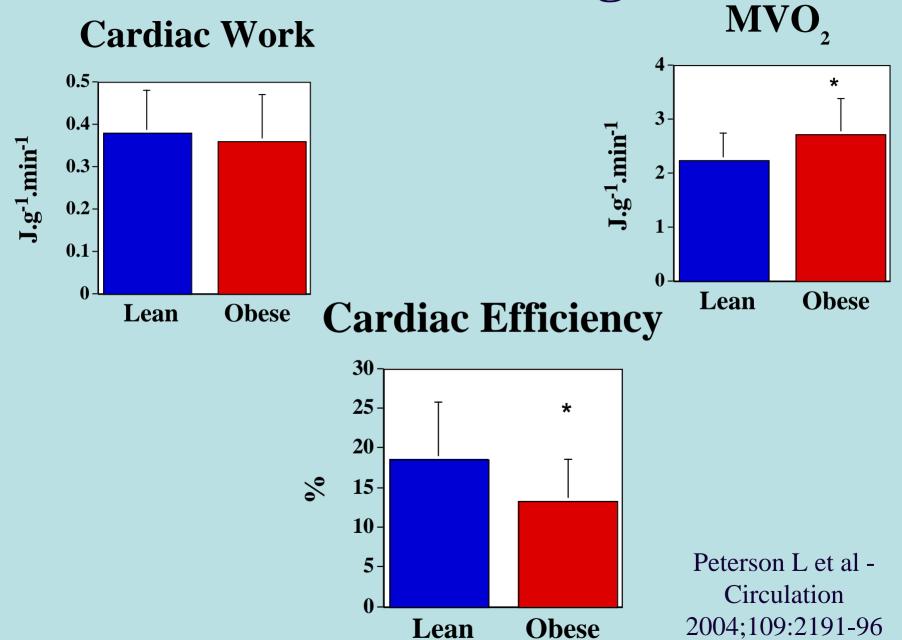
Cardiac Structure/Function



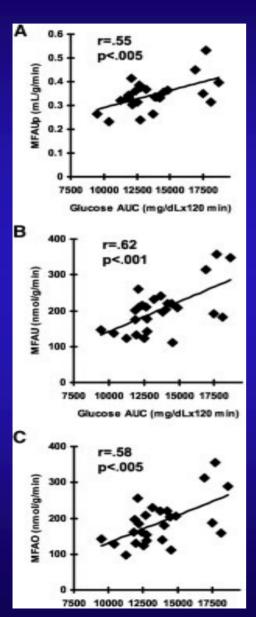
Cardiac Output



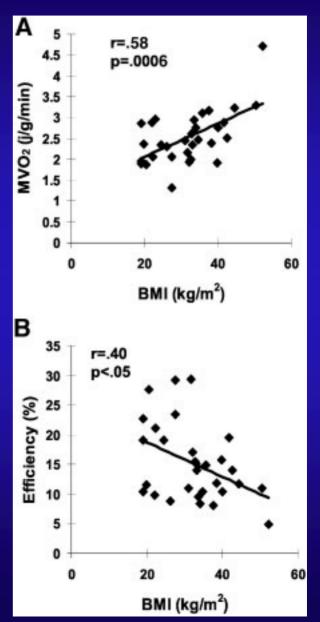
Cardiac Bioenergetics



Fatty Acid Utilization

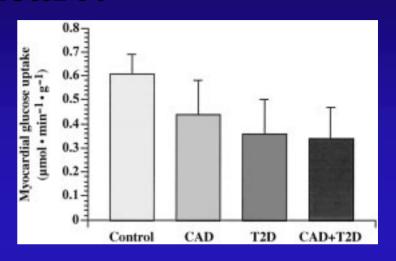


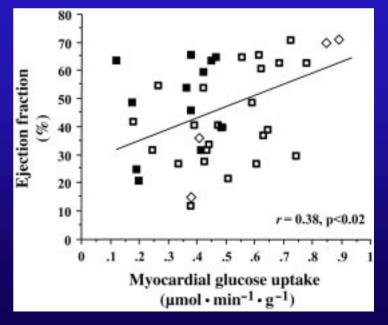
Peterson L et al -Circulation 2004;109:2191-96



Does Insulin Resistance Occur in the Human Heart?

Using euglycemic clamps and PET scanning (under physiological levels of insulin), the hearts of individuals with type 2 diabetes demonstrates reduced insulin stimulated glucose uptake that was equivalently decreased in subjects with and without CAD. And a positive correlation was observed between myocardial glucose uptake and LV ejection fraction (Iozzo P et al. Diabetes 51:3020, 2002).





Metabolic Basis for Cardiac Dysfunction in Diabetes and Obesity

Increased Fatty Acid Delivery

MITOCHONDRIA

Increased FFA Flux

Decreased Glucose Utilization

Increased Mitochondrial ROS

Increased Mitochondrial Uncoupling

Progressive Mitochondrial Dysfunction

Reduced Myocardial Reserve

Insulin Resistance