

**Diagnosi precoce e trattamento efficace della patologia cardionefrometabolica:
dalla teoria alla pratica**

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**SESSIONE 4
PREVENZIONE E TERAPIA CARDIONEFROMETABOLICA**

**Lifestyle: quanto è importante nel trattamento
moderno del diabete tipo 2?**

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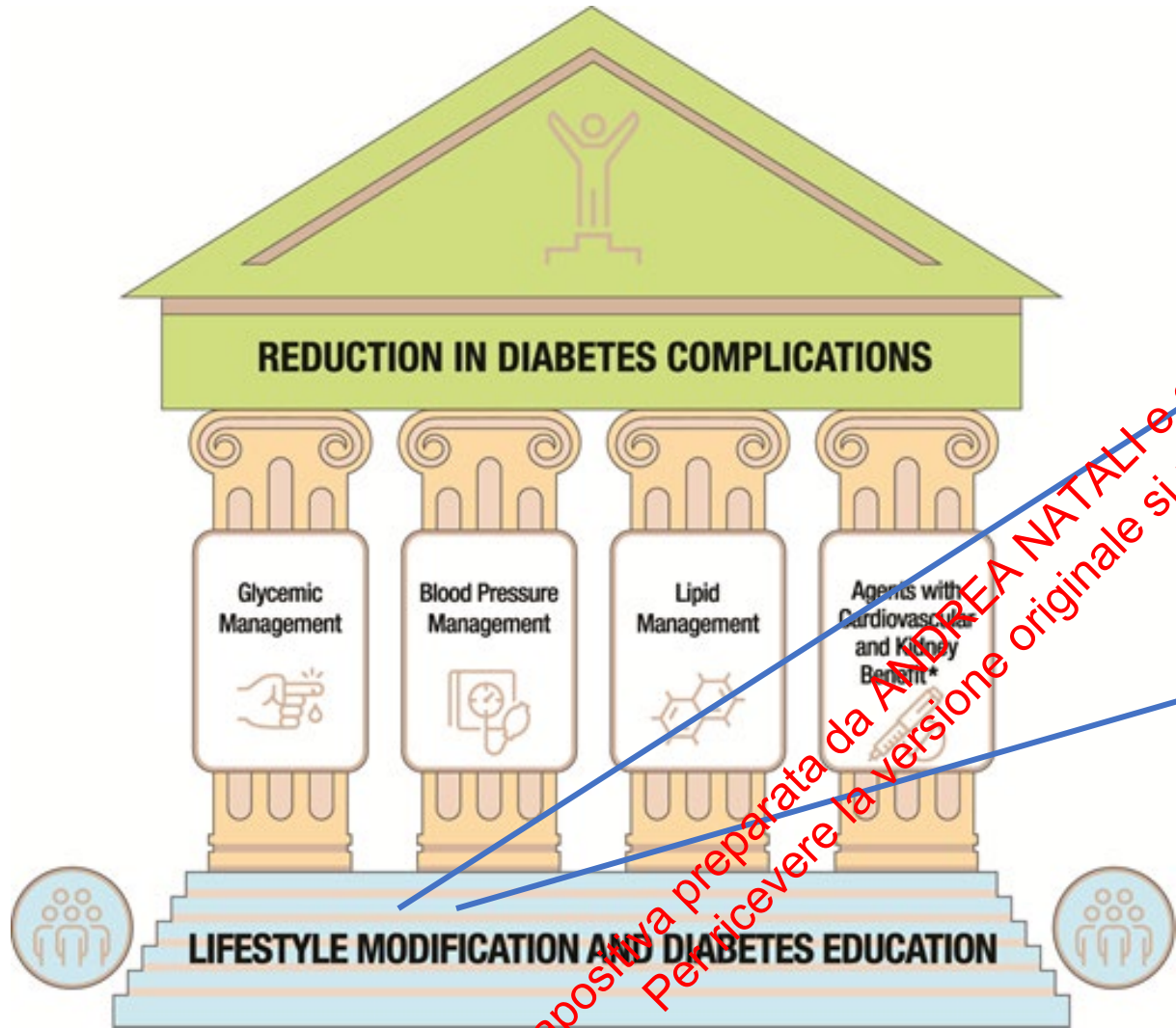


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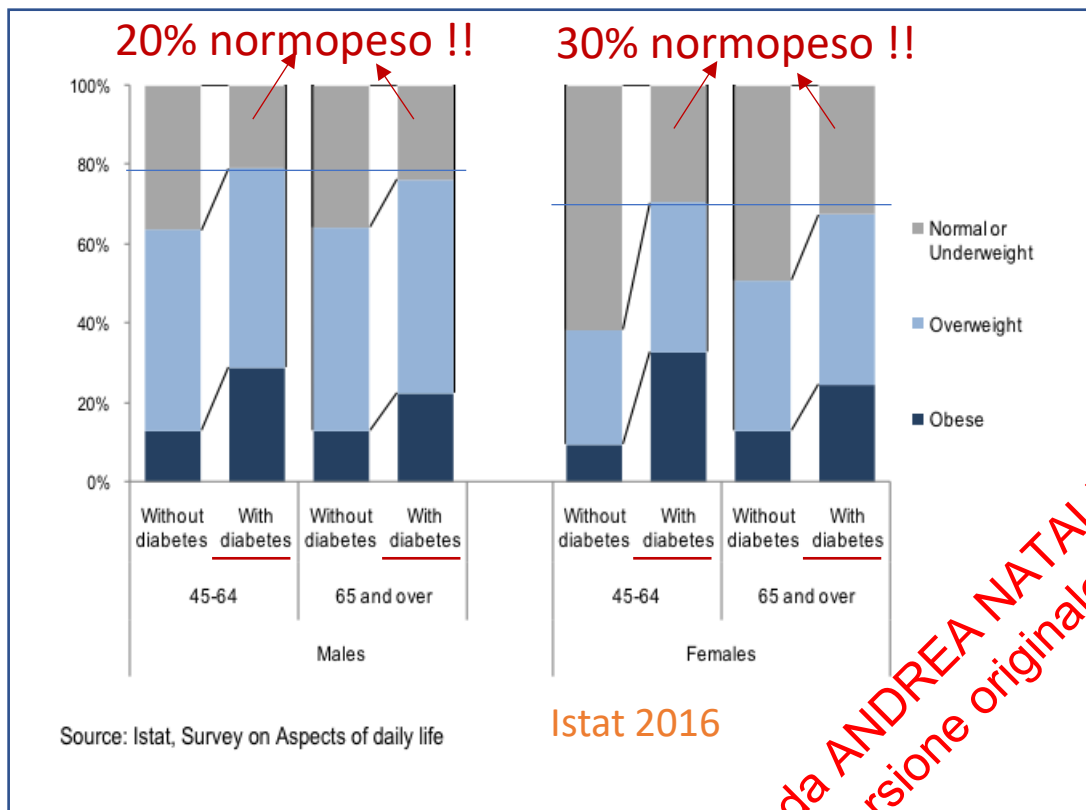
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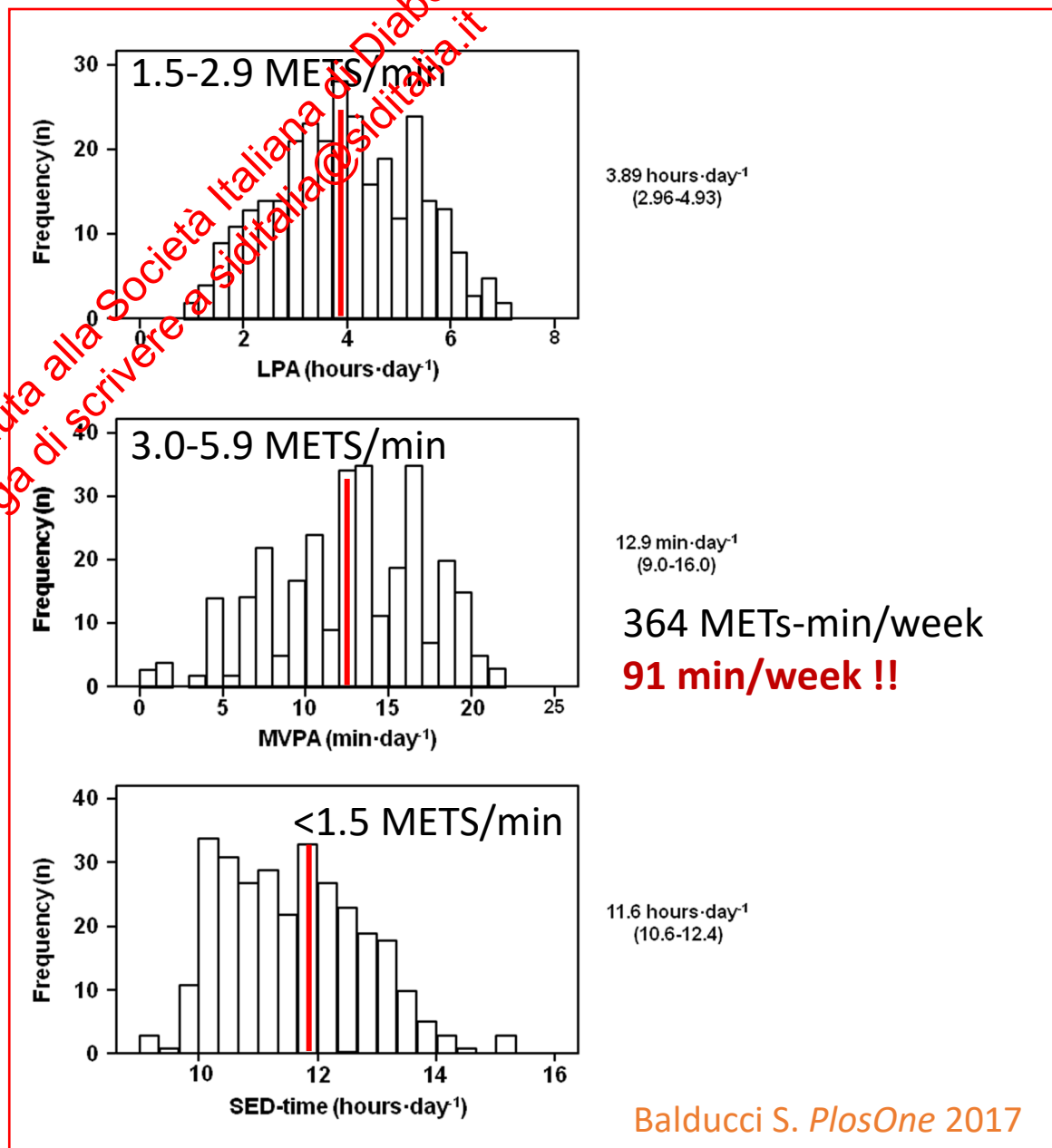


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Lifestyle and T2D: La situazione in Italia



FUMATORI 26.3% !!!
Annali AMD 2023

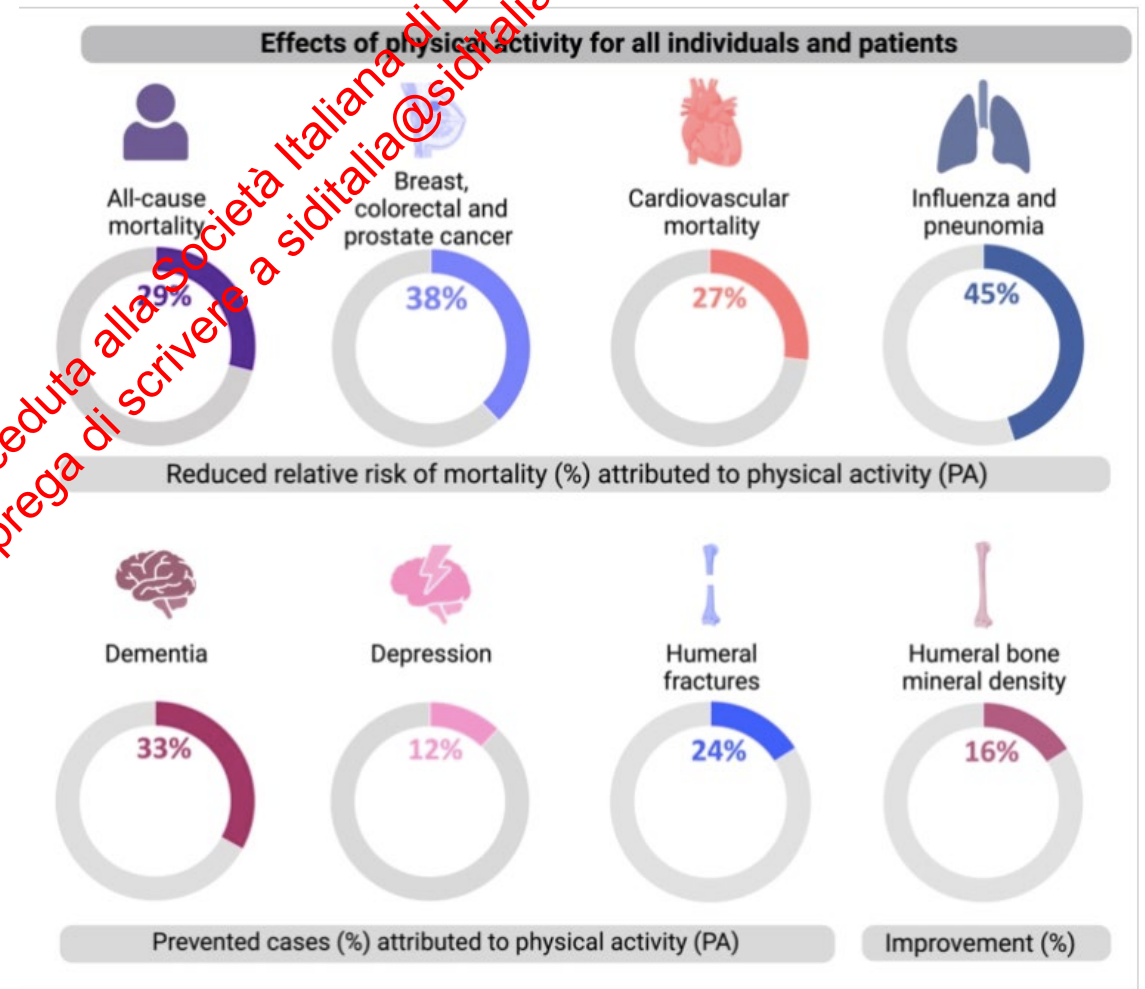
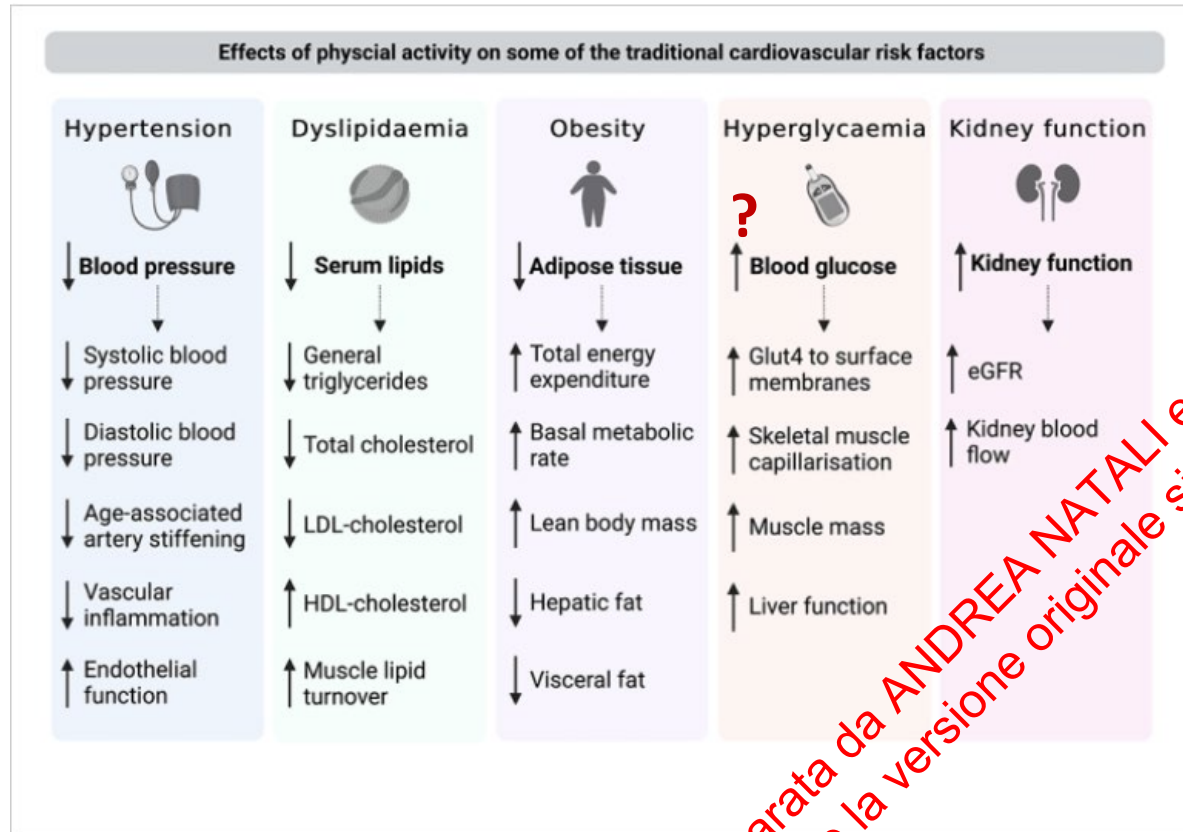


Esercizio fisico

1. Cosa dicono le LG
2. Quale tipo di esercizio e come si misura
3. Curva dose-risposta quantità di esercizio vs HbA1c
4. Quale tipo di esercizio è più efficace su HbA1c

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I benefici dell'attività fisica (ESC 2024)



Physical inactivity was seen to be responsible for the loss of **13.4 million disability-adjusted life years (DALYs) worldwide**, these DALYs were estimated for **coronary heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, breast cancer, and colon cancer** [11].

Management of Hyperglycemia in Type 2 Diabetes, 2022. A Consensus Report by the American Diabetes Association (ADA) and the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD)

≥150 min/sett moderata intensità
Oppure
≥75 min/sett alta intensità
Suddivisa in ≥3 giorni senza superare 2 giorni di inattività

Aggiungere esercizi di equilibrio/flessibilità o contro resistenza.
(30 min di att. fis/sett migliora il profilo metabolico)

	Glucose/insulin	Blood pressure	HbA _{1c}	Lipids	Physical function	Depression	Quality of life
SITTING/BREAKING UP PROLONGED SITTING	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑
STEPPING	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑
SWEATING (MODERATE-TO-VIGOROUS ACTIVITY)	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑
STRENGTHENING	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑
ADEQUATE SLEEP DURATION	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑
GOOD SLEEP QUALITY	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑
CHRONOTYPE/CONSISTENT TIMING	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑

IMPORTANCE OF 24-HOUR PHYSICAL BEHAVIOURS FOR TYPE 2 DIABETES

SITTING/BREAKING UP PROLONGED SITTING

Limit sitting. Breaking up prolonged sitting (every 30 min) with short regular bouts of slow walking/simple resistance exercises can improve glucose metabolism.



STEPPING

- An increase of only 500 steps/day is associated with 2-9% decreased risk of cardiovascular morbidity and all-cause mortality.
- A 5 to 6 min brisk intensity walk per day equates to 8 years' greater life expectancy.



SLEEP

Aim for consistent, uninterrupted sleep, even on weekends.



Quantity - Long (>8h) and short (<6h) sleep durations negatively impact HbA_{1c}.

Quality - Irregular sleep results in poorer glycaemic levels, likely influenced by the increased prevalence of insomnia, obstructive sleep apnoea and restless leg syndrome in people with type 2 diabetes.

Chronotype - Evening chronotypes (i.e. night owl: go to bed late and get up late) may be more susceptible to inactivity and poorer glycaemic levels vs morning chronotypes (i.e. early bird: go to bed early and get up early).

SWEATING (MODERATE-TO-VIGOROUS ACTIVITY)

- Encourage ≥150 min/week of moderate-intensity physical activity (i.e. uses large muscle groups, rhythmic in nature) OR ≥75 min/week vigorous-intensity activity spread over ≥3 days/week, with no more than 2 consecutive days of inactivity. Supplement with two to three resistance, flexibility and/or balance sessions.
- As little as 30 min/week of moderate-intensity physical activity improves metabolic profiles.



PHYSICAL FUNCTION

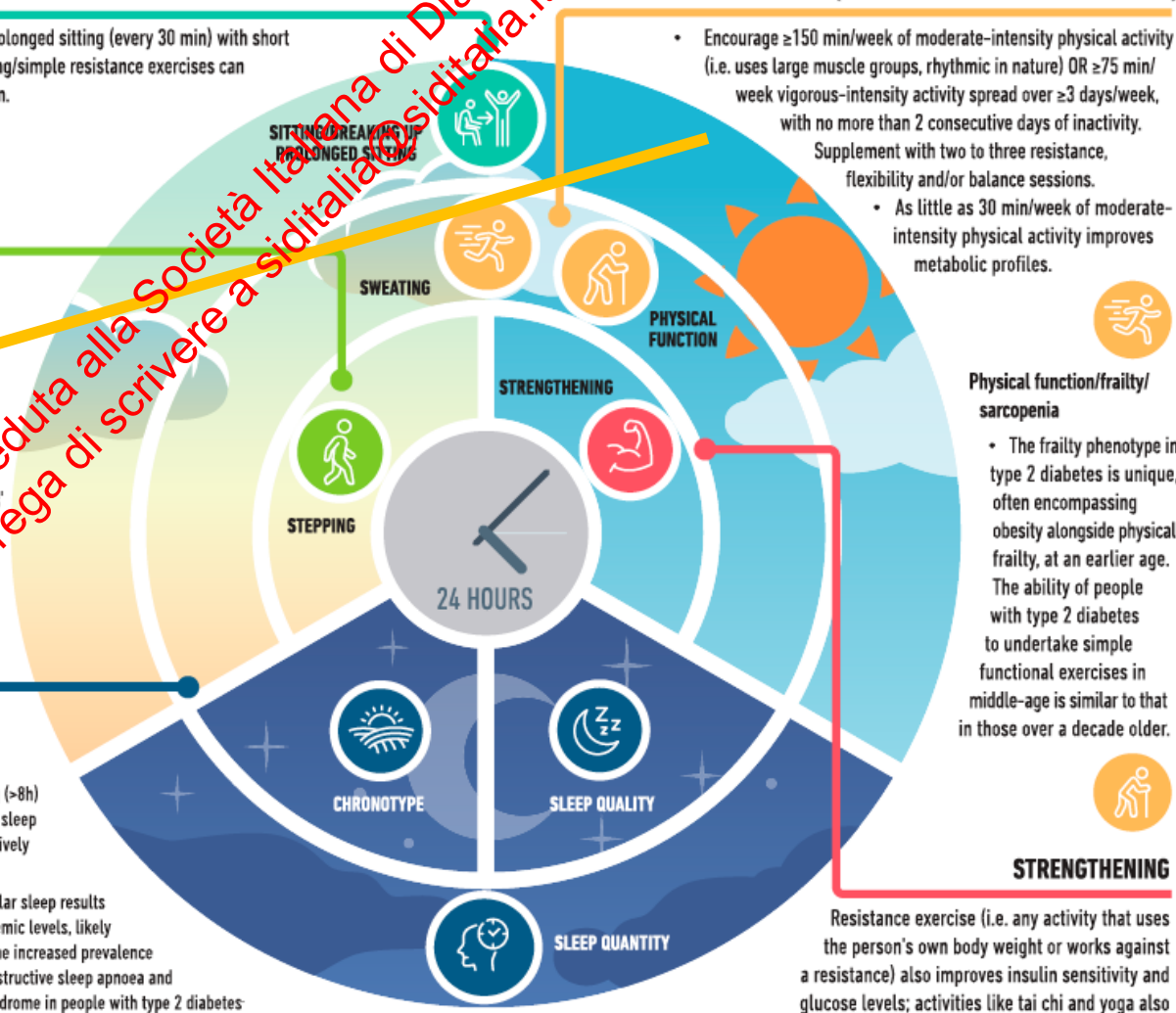
Physical function/frailty/sarcopenia

- The frailty phenotype in type 2 diabetes is unique, often encompassing obesity alongside physical frailty, at an earlier age. The ability of people with type 2 diabetes to undertake simple functional exercises in middle-age is similar to that in those over a decade older.

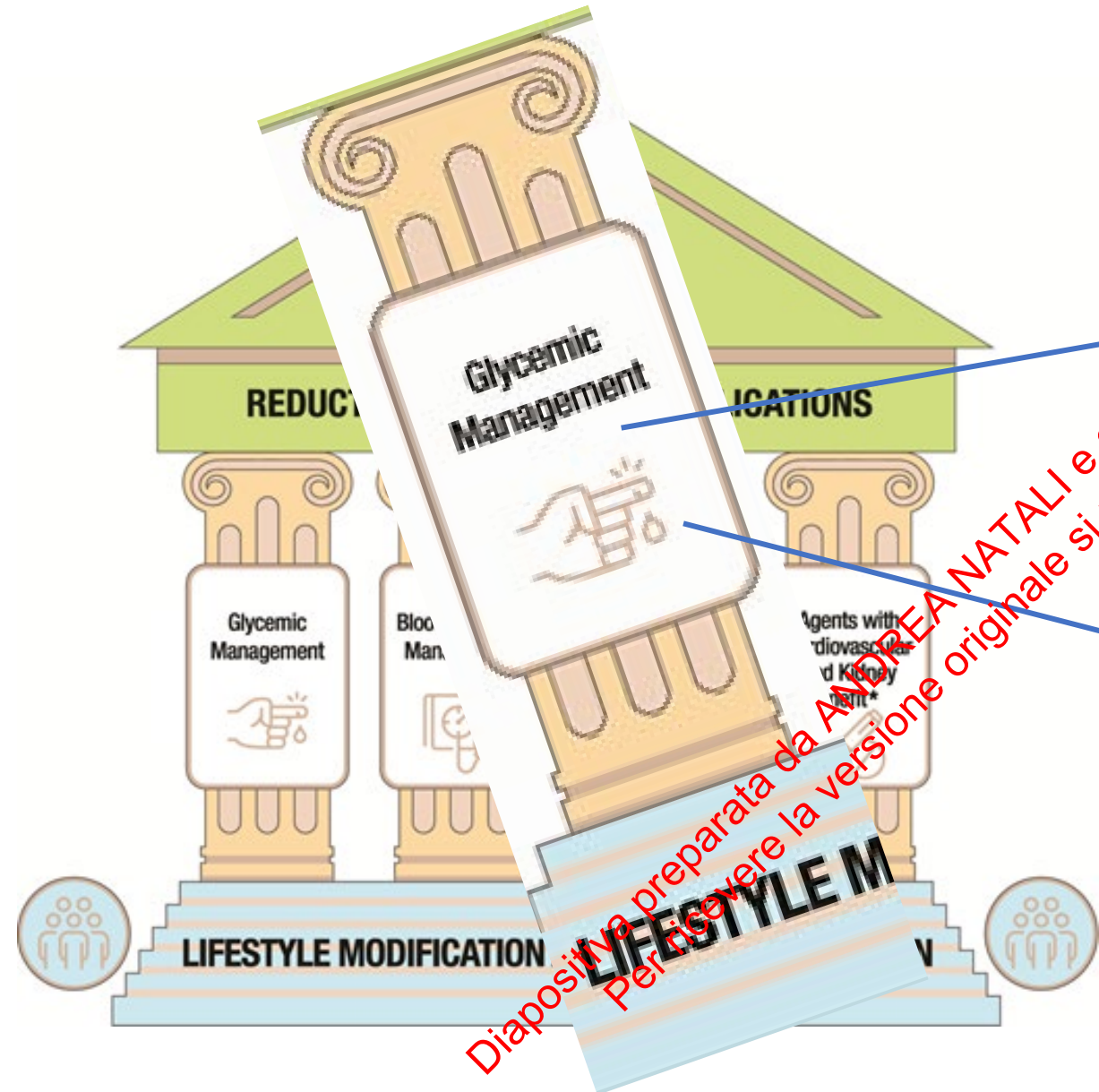


STRENGTHENING

Resistance exercise (i.e. any activity that uses the person's own body weight or works against a resistance) also improves insulin sensitivity and glucose levels; activities like tai chi and yoga also encompass elements of flexibility and balance.

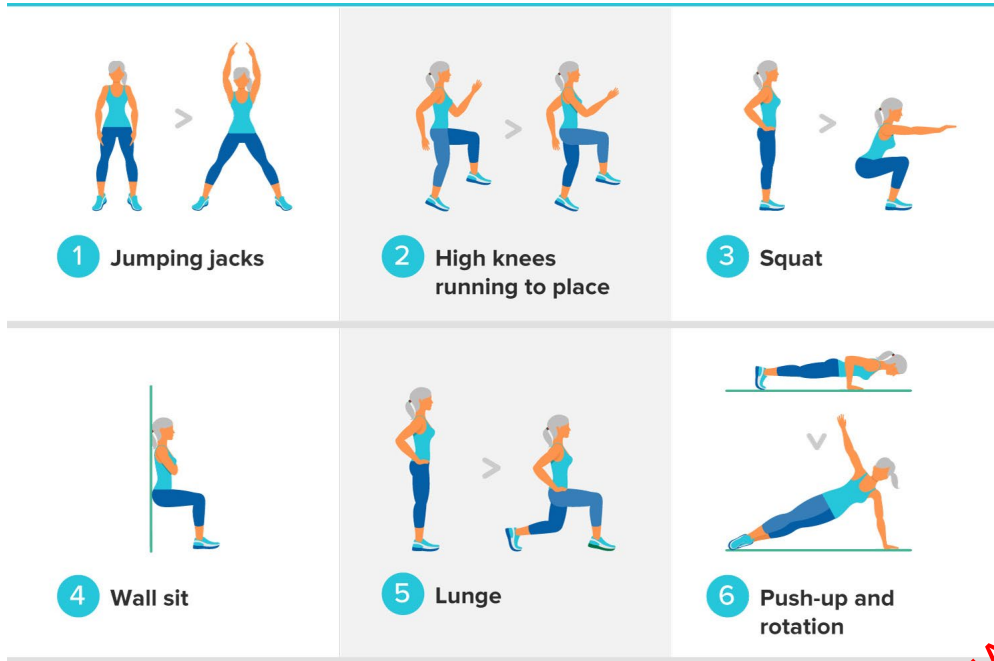


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HIIT



30 - 60 sec 8 Mets

1 - 2 min Rest

20 min approx. 70 METS

RESISTANCE TRAINING



3-4 METS

20 min approx. 70 METS

Aerobic exercise

Exercise type

Walking

Houseworks

Yoga

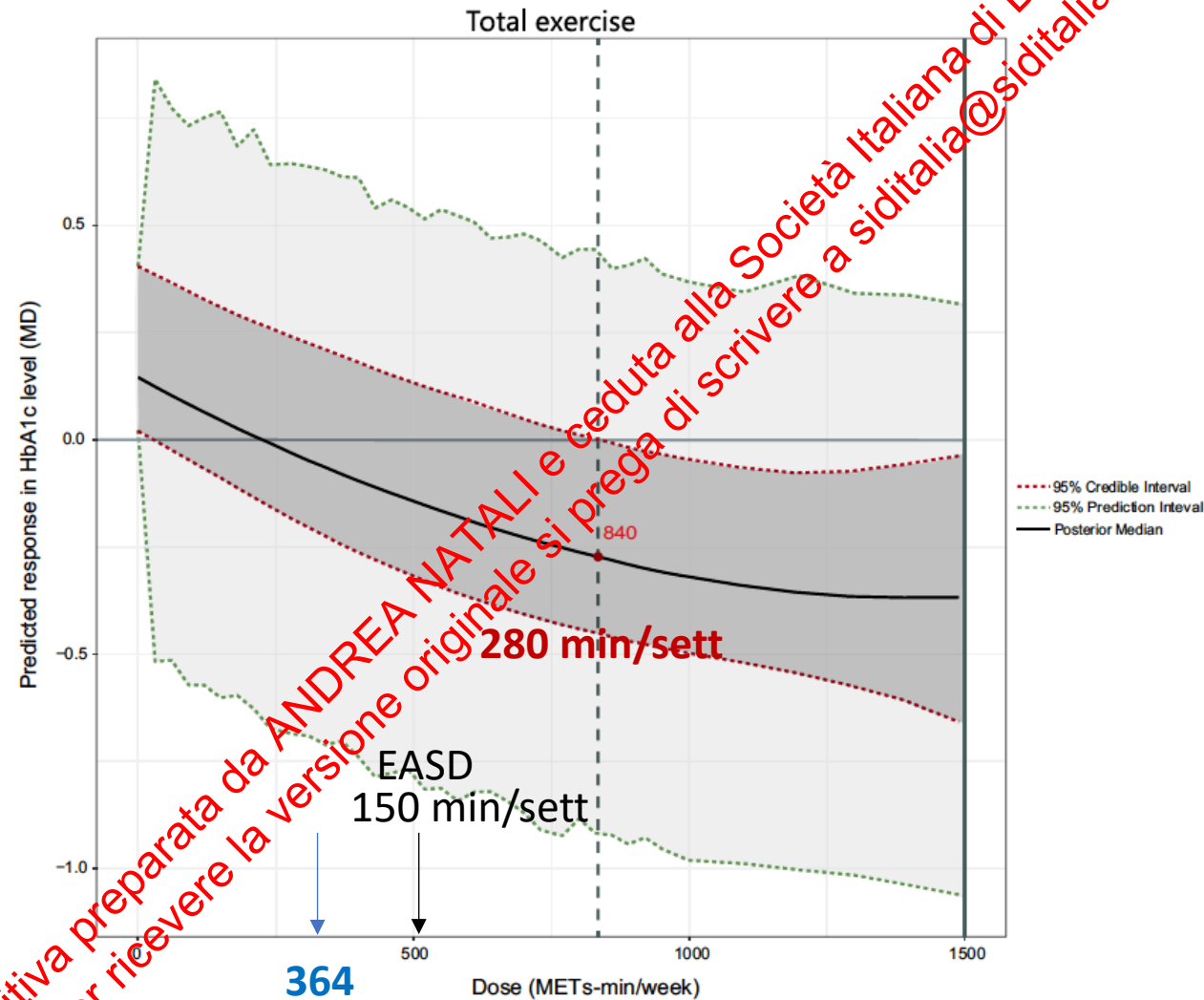
Bicycling <10 km/h

3-4 METS

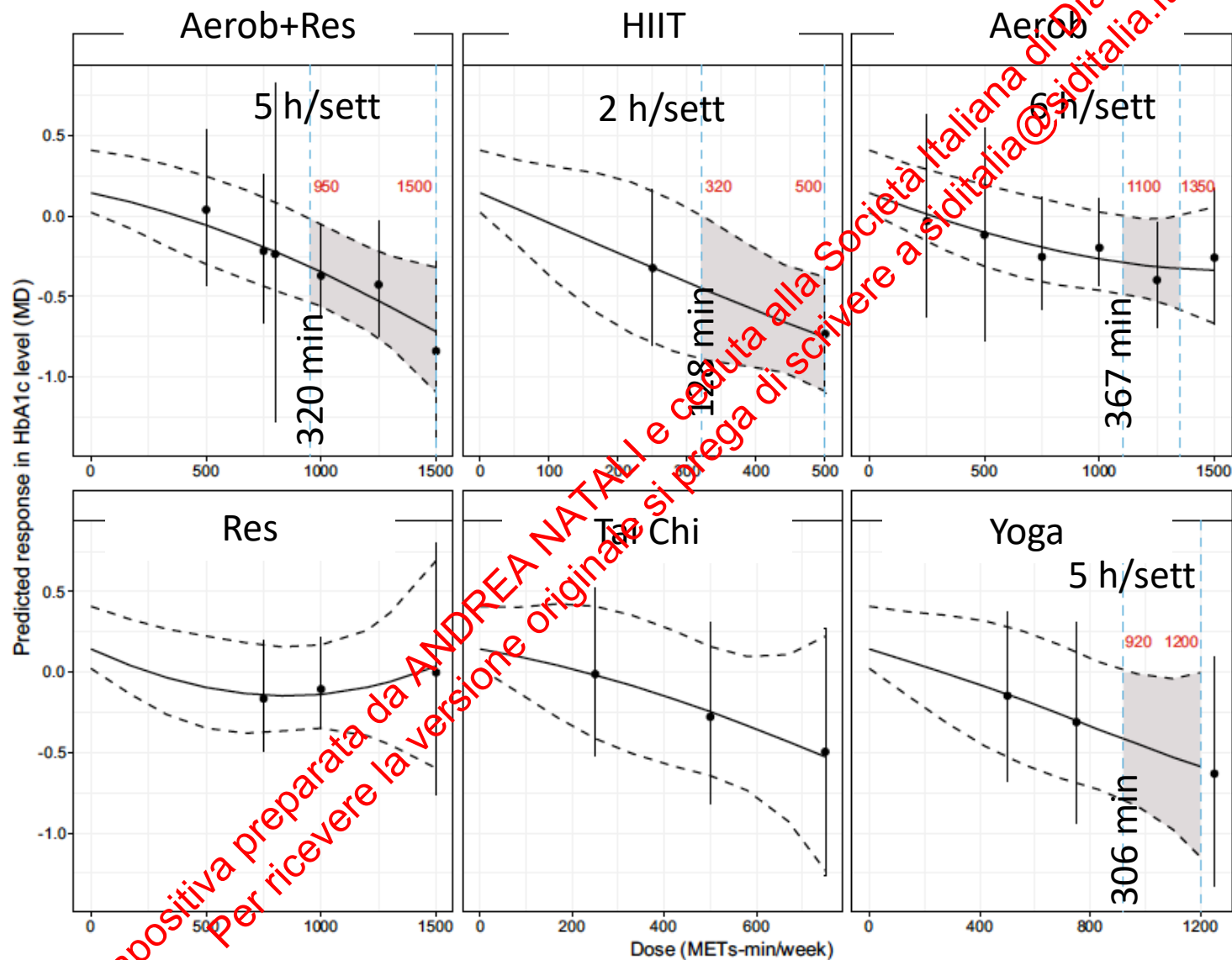
20 min approx. 70 METS

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Esercizio ed HbA1c: quale volume è efficace ?



Esercizio ed HbA1c: Quanti minuti e quale tipo di esercizio





2020

World Health Organization

It is recommended that:

> All adults and older adults with type 2 diabetes should undertake regular physical activity.

Strong recommendation, moderate certainty evidence



> Adults and older adults with type 2 diabetes should do at least 150–300 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic physical activity; or at least 75–150 minutes of vigorous-intensity aerobic physical activity; or an equivalent combination of moderate- and vigorous-intensity activity throughout the week for substantial health benefits.

Strong recommendation, moderate certainty evidence

> Adults and older adults with type 2 diabetes should also do muscle-strengthening activities at moderate or greater intensity that involve all major muscle groups on 2 or more days a week, as these provide additional benefits.

Strong recommendation, moderate certainty evidence



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<https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/336656/9789240015128-eng.pdf?sequence=1>

IDES-2 Study

300 sedentary T2D

150 Treatment

PA volume:

+198 METS/week

Sedentary time:

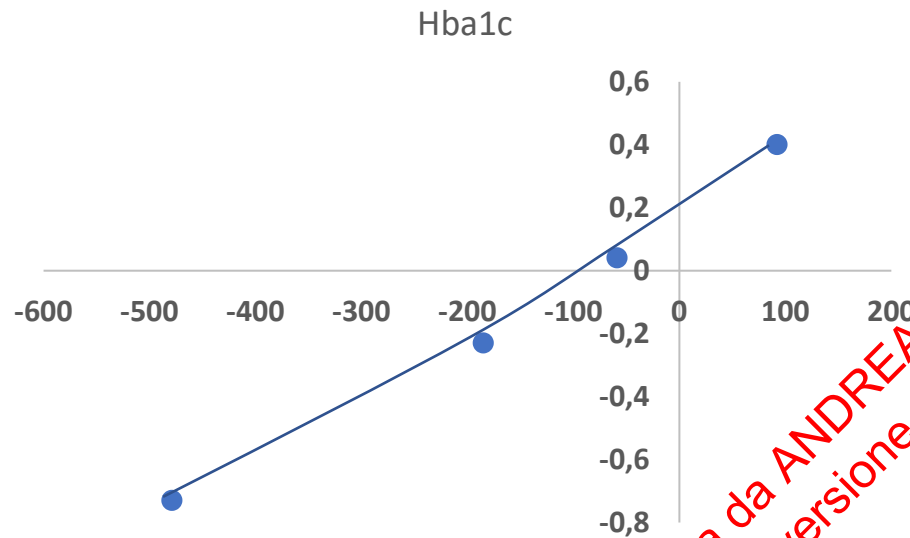
-336 min/week

MVPA:

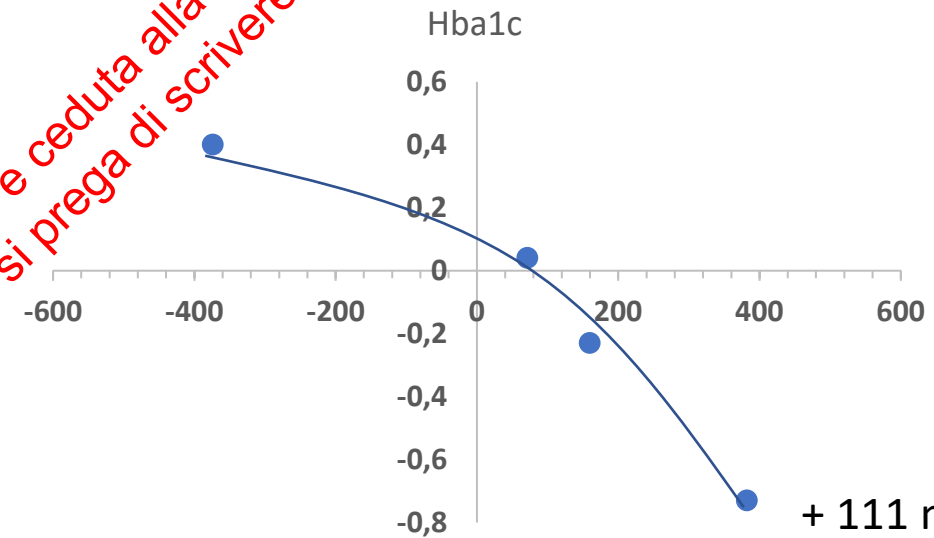
+ 45 min/week

150 Standard Care

Follow-up 3 years
Quartiles of MVPA



Variation in sedentary activity (min/set)



Variation in physical activity (METS/set)

+ 111 min/week
(+104 = 215)

Dieta ed HbA1c

1) Linee guida

3) Peso

2) Macronutrienti

3) Colazione

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Weight management ADA Standard of Care 2024

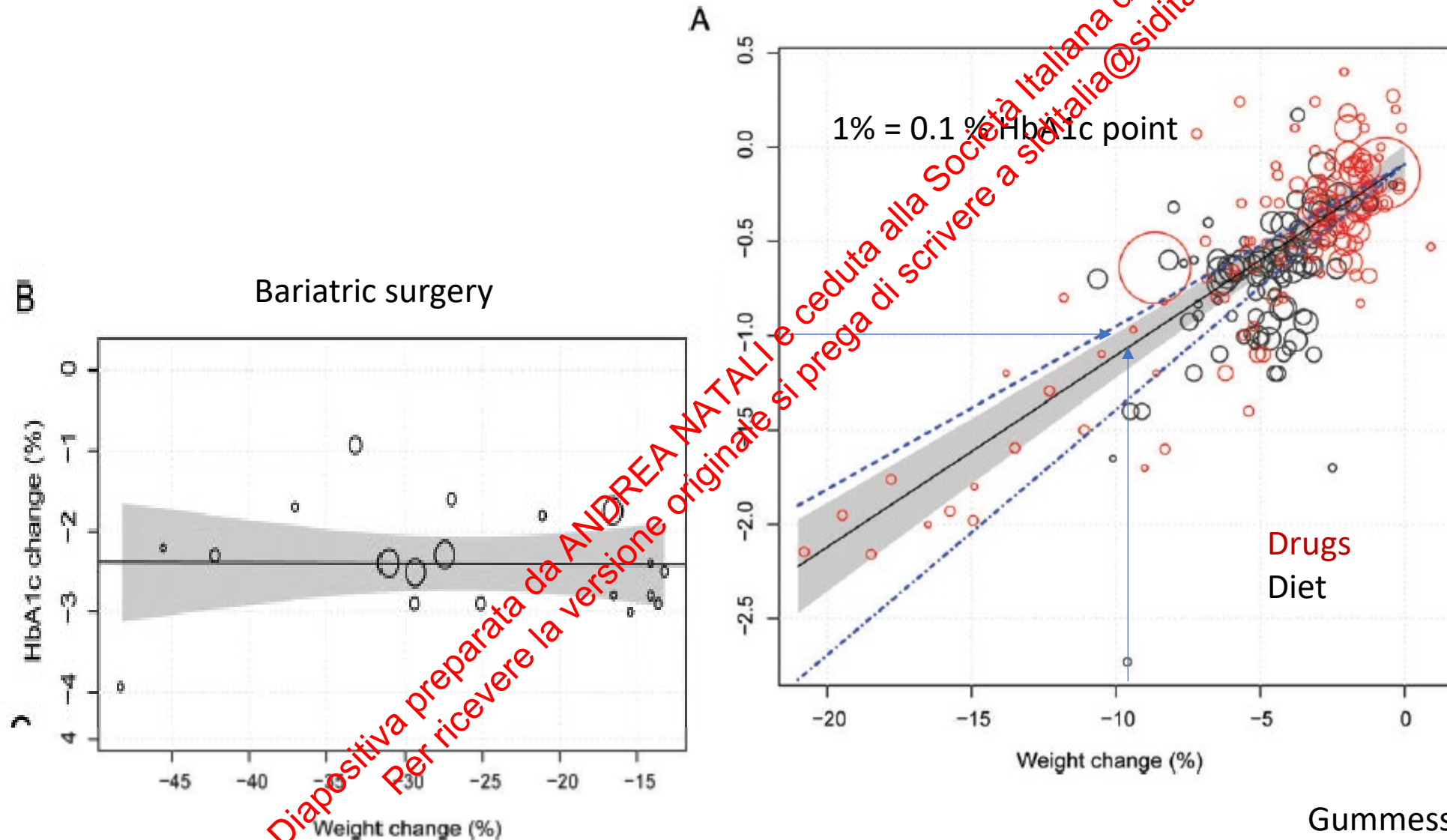
8.4 In people with type 2 diabetes and overweight or obesity, weight management should represent a **primary goal of treatment** along with glycemic management. A

8.5 People with diabetes and overweight or obesity may benefit from any magnitude of weight loss. **Weight loss of 3–5%** of baseline weight improves glycemia and other intermediate cardiovascular risk factors. A

8.6 **Individualize initial treatment** approaches for obesity (i.e., lifestyle and nutritional therapy, pharmacologic agents, or metabolic surgery) A based on the person's medical history, life circumstances, preferences, and motivation. Consider combining treatment approaches if appropriate.

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Relazione tra weight loss e Δ HbA1c



Evidence-based European recommendations for the dietary management of diabetes

Aprile 2023

The Diabetes and Nutrition Study Group (DNSG) of the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD)

Carboidrati

Preferire i cereali integrali (ricchi in fibre), **non importa la quantità ma meglio evitare gli estremi.**

- Preferire cibi con basso indice glicemico.
- Evitare zuccheri semplici (<10% Kcal tot)

Grassi

- Preferire grassi vegetali (MUFA e PUFA)
- Evitare grassi saturi (<10% Kcal tot) e trans (<1% Kcal tot)

Dolcificanti

Tutti OK, ma non è chiaro se aiutino

Fibre

Almeno 35 g/die

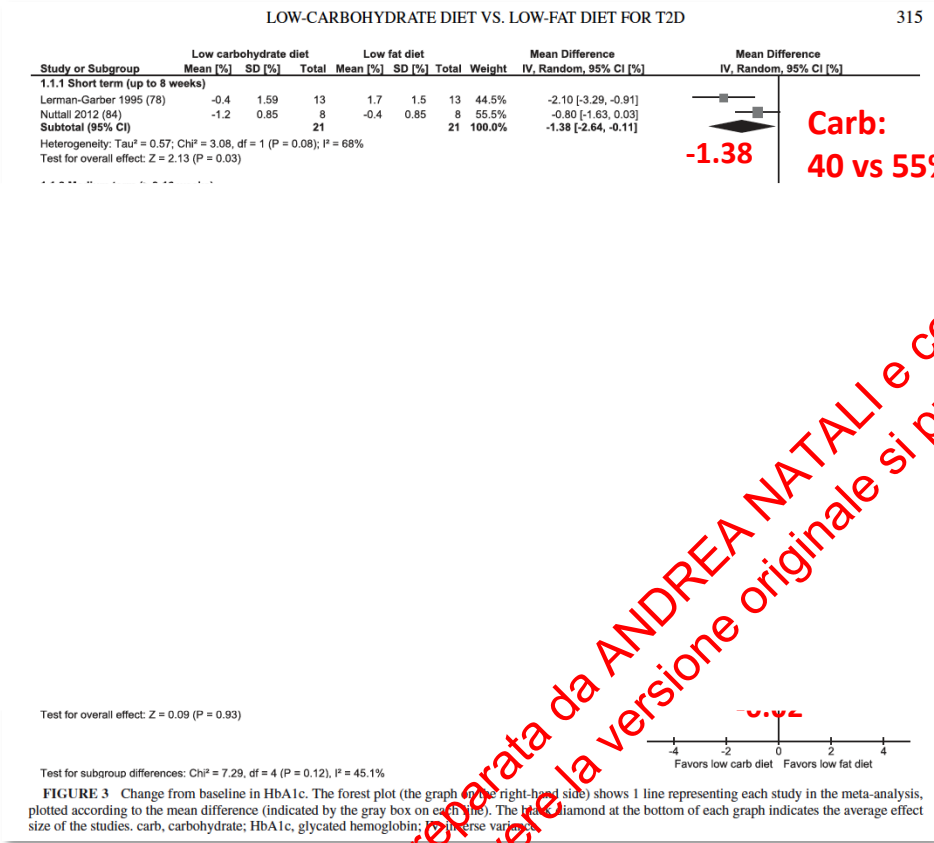
- Fonti: cereali integrali, verdura, frutta, legumi, semi, frutta a guscio.
- Considerare supplementi per raggiungere il target.

Proteine

- 10-20% Kcal tot se < 65 aa
- 15-20% Kcal tot se >65 aa
- 23-32% Kcal tot durante calo ponderale**
- Se eGFR 60-45 ml/min: max 10-15%

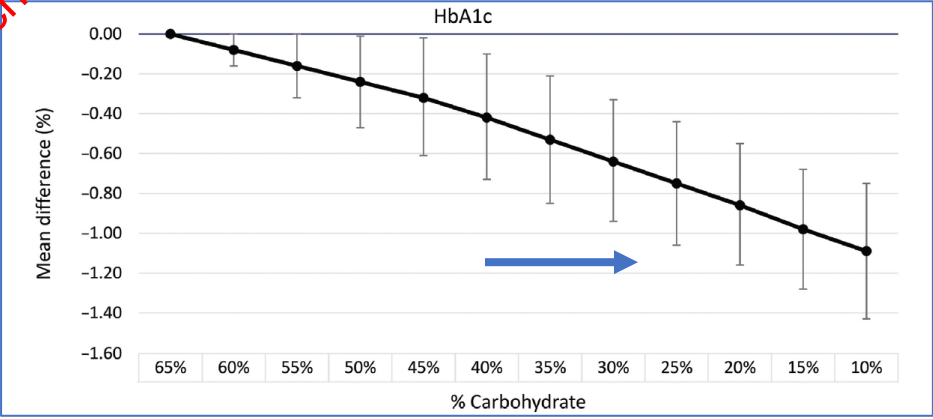
Low-carb & HbA1c: time and dose

≤8 weeks



Carb:
40 vs 55% !!!!!!!!!

6-month follow-up (n = 29 trials)



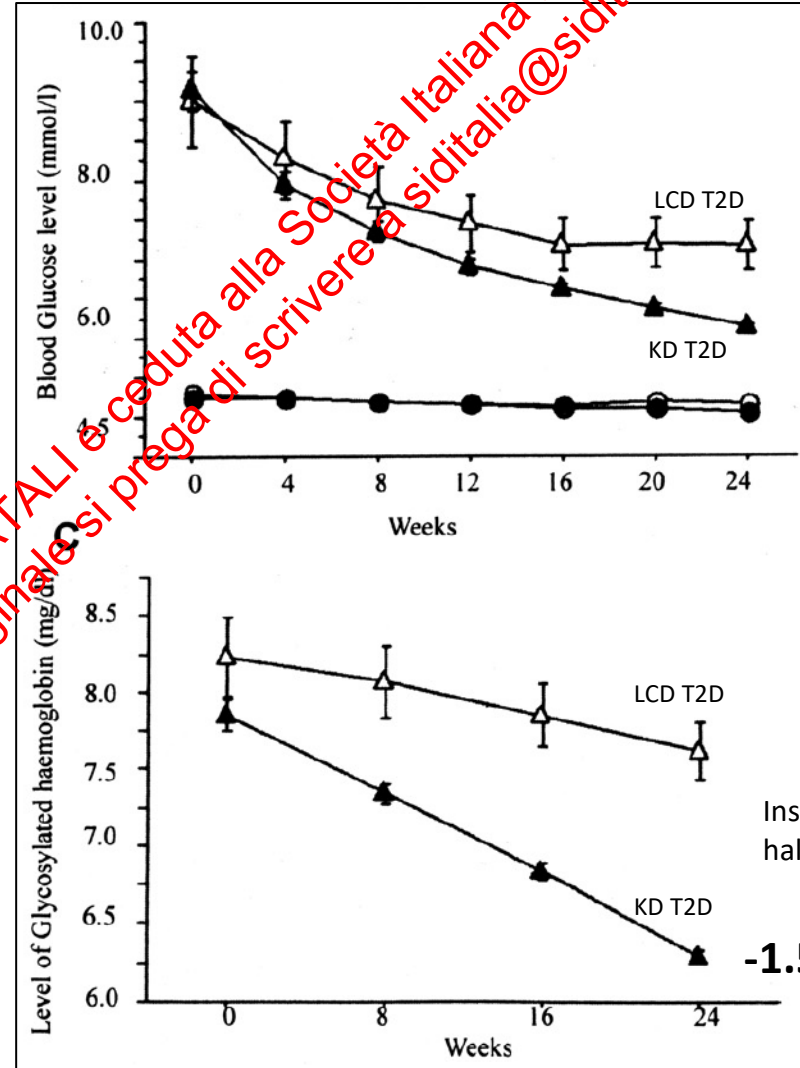
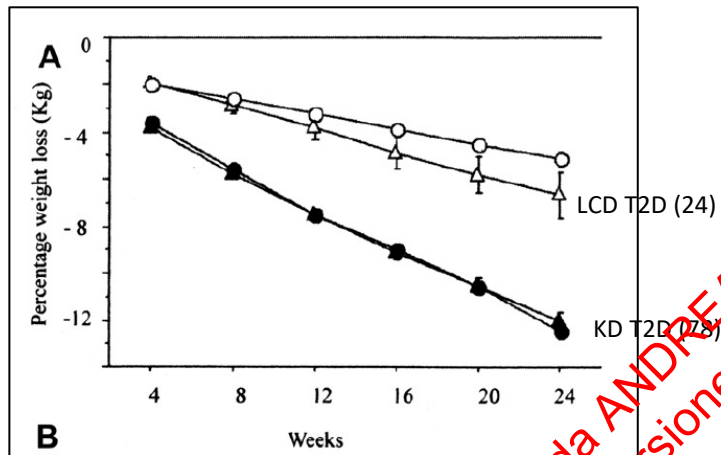
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Van Osuren EJ, *Am J Nutr* 2018

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Very Low carb diet

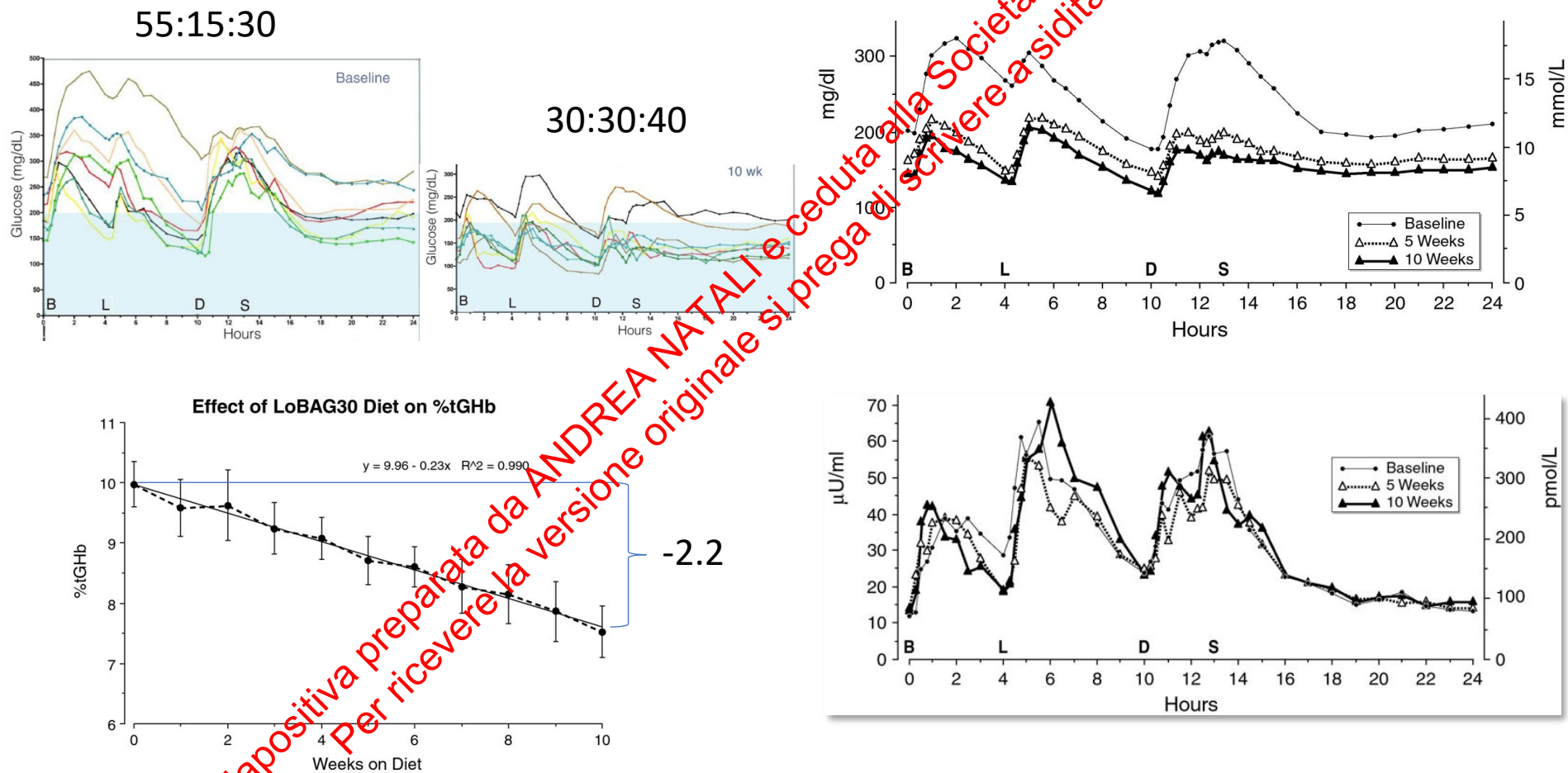
Free choice
363, LCD, cal restriction
220, KD 20 g/die, no cal restriction



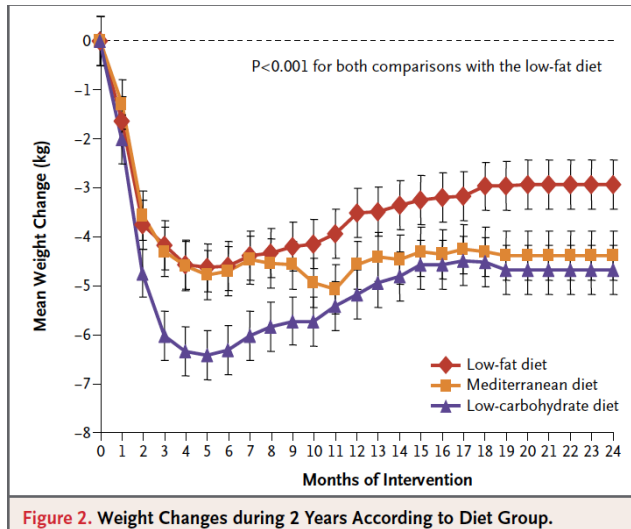
Low carb diet

Non-ketogenic diet, no weight loss

30% carbohydrate, 30% protein, 40% fat (30:30:40)



Low fat vs Low carb vs Med: **Studio DIRECT**



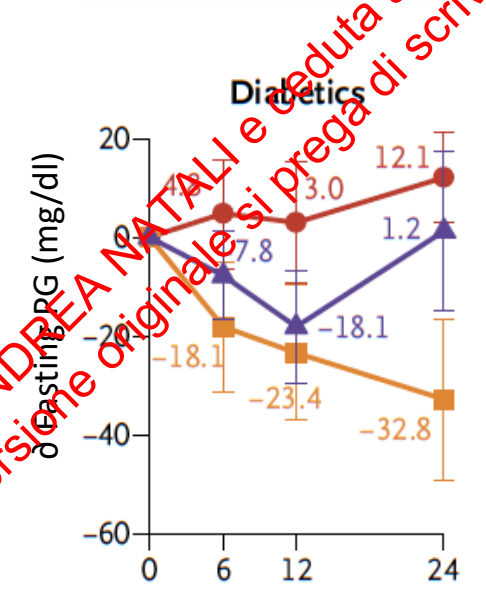
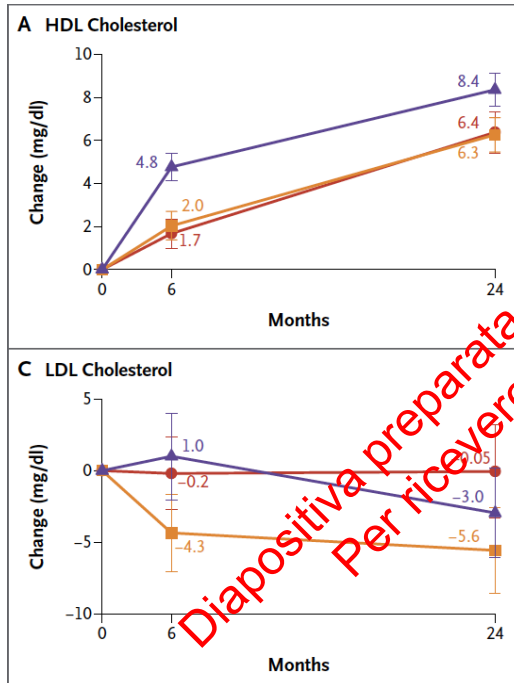
BMI 30, 100 (15 T2D) per group

C P L

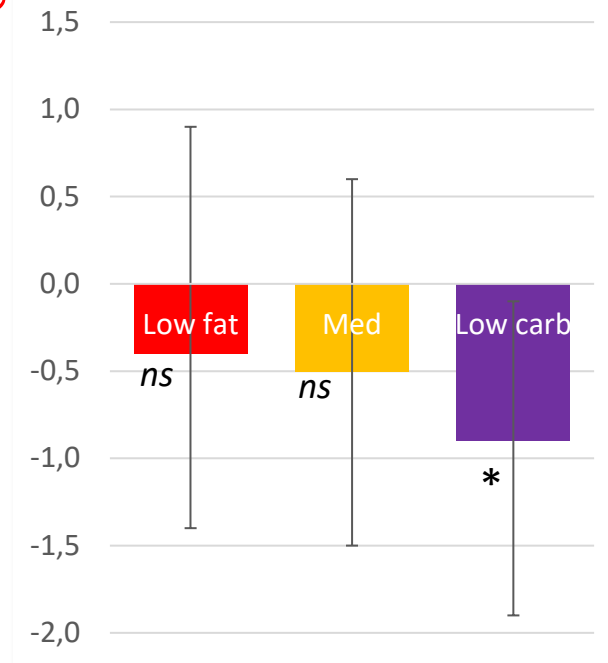
Low-fat: 51 19 30 (low cal)

Med 50 18 32 (low cal)

Low-carb: 40 22 38 (free!)



Δ HbA1c @ 24m



Dieta mediterranea

Overweight newly diagnosed T2D; therapy indicated for follow-up HbA_{1c} >7%

MED diet (hypocaloric)

Rich in vegetables and whole grains and low in red meat, which was replaced with poultry and fish.

<50% carb

20% protein

30-40% lipids (olive oil)

Low fat diet (hypocaloric)

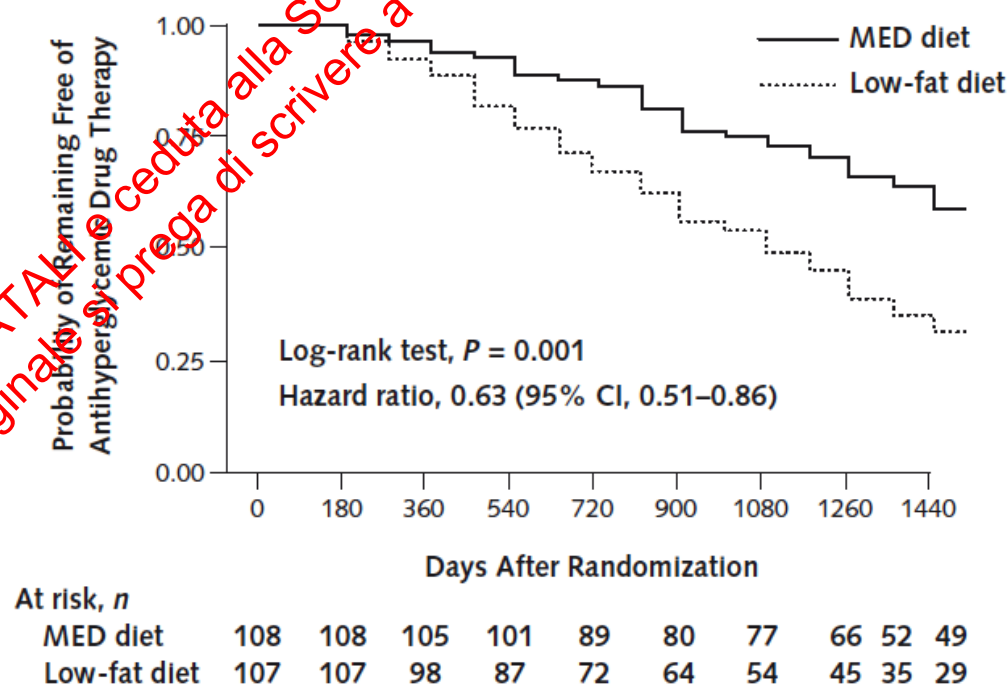
Rich in whole grains and restricted additional fats, sweets, and high-fat snacks

<30% fat

20% protein

50-60% carb

Figure 2. Probability of remaining free of antihyperglycemic drug therapy.



MED = low-carbohydrate, Mediterranean-style.

Perché non fare una low-carb Med ?

259 overweight diabetic patients (HbA1c=8.3%)

MD

Carb (50–55%)

low GI

Fat (30%)

Protein (15–20%)

ADA Diet

Carb (50–55%)

Fat (30%)

Protein (15–20%)

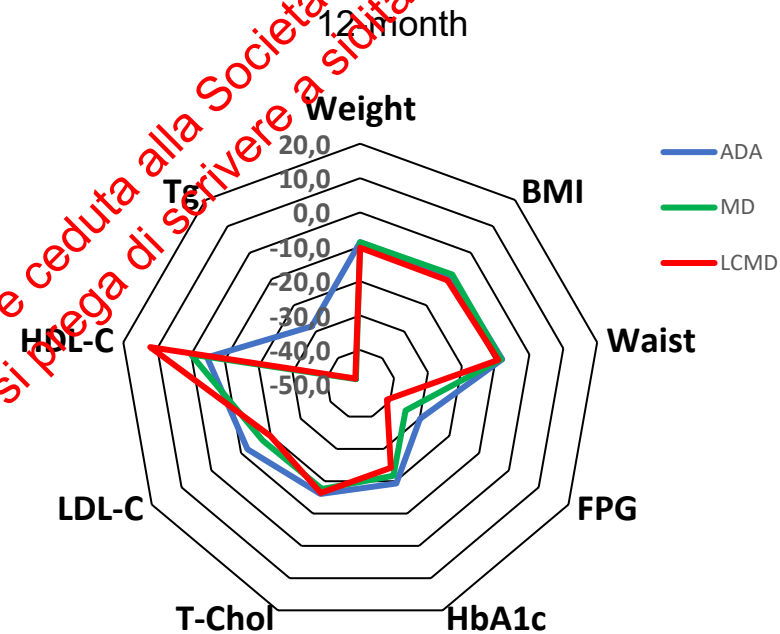
LC-MD

35% Carb

45% Fat (50%

MUFA)

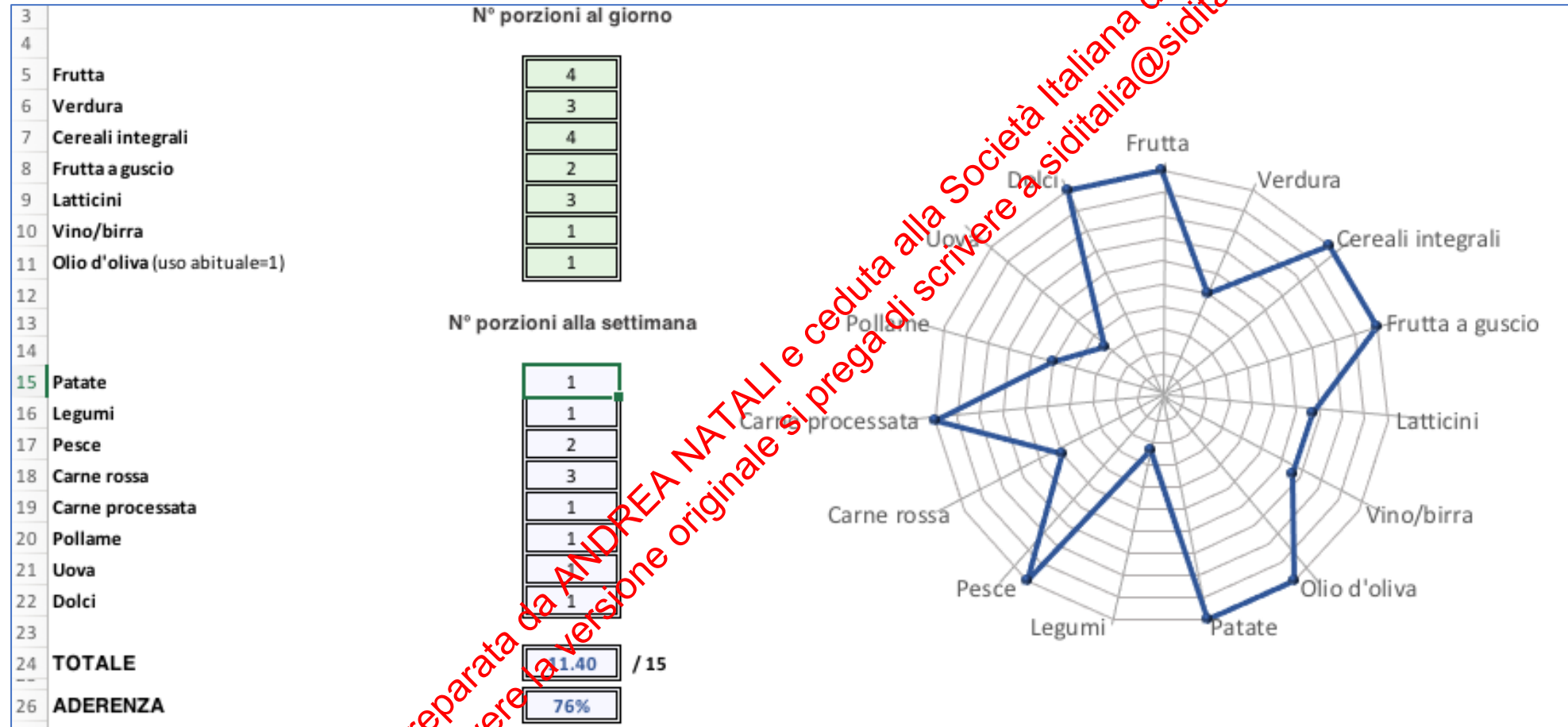
20% Prot



Elhaynay A et al DOM 2010

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Dieta mediterranea: come si misura ?



<https://www.siditalia.it/clinica/formule-e-calcolatori>

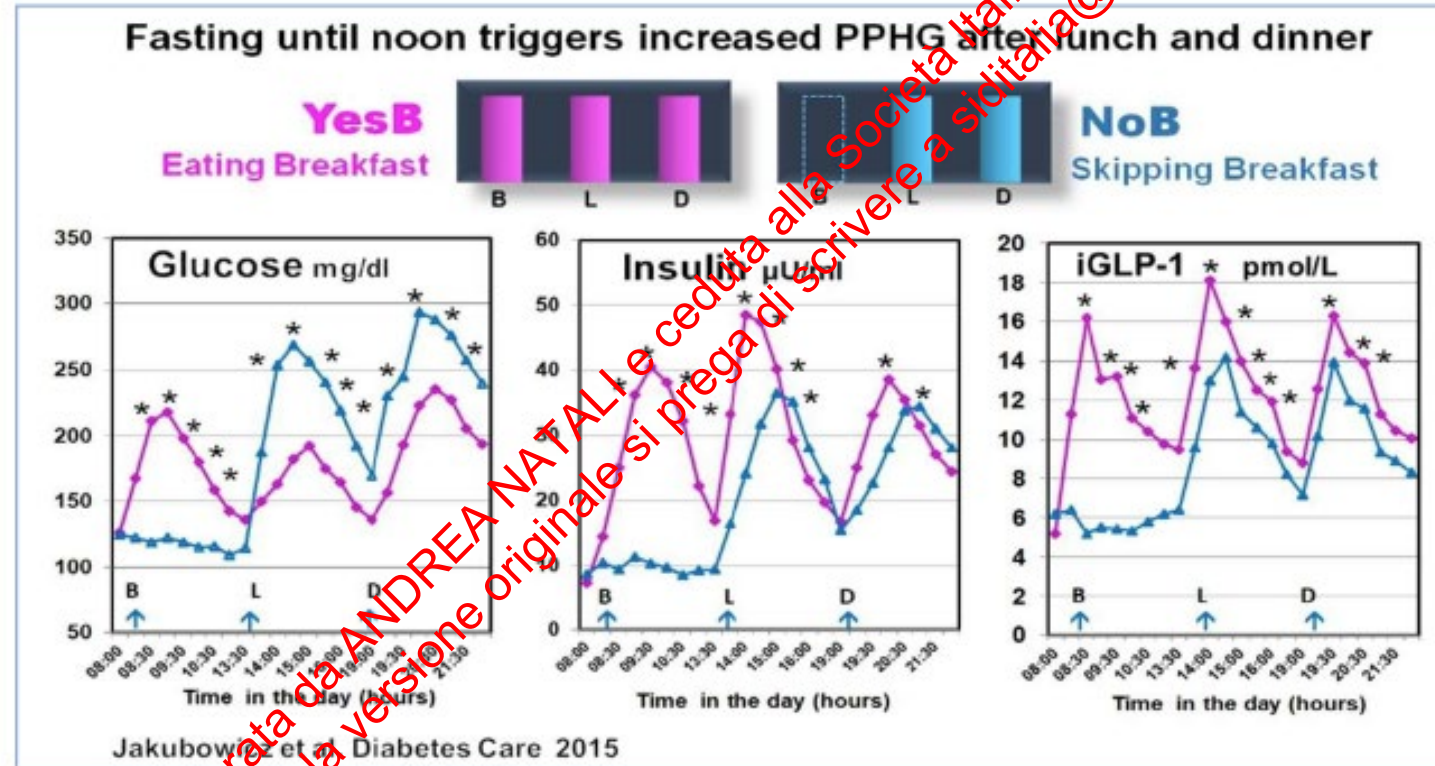
SID study group "Dieta e diabete"

Nutrition, Metabolism & Cardiovascular Diseases (2023) 33,724e736

Importanza della colazione

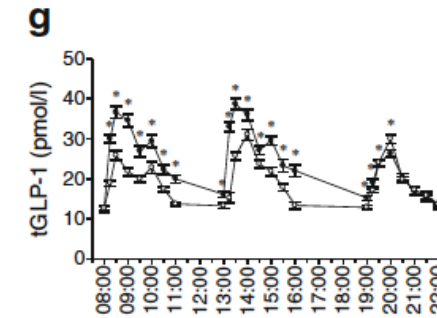
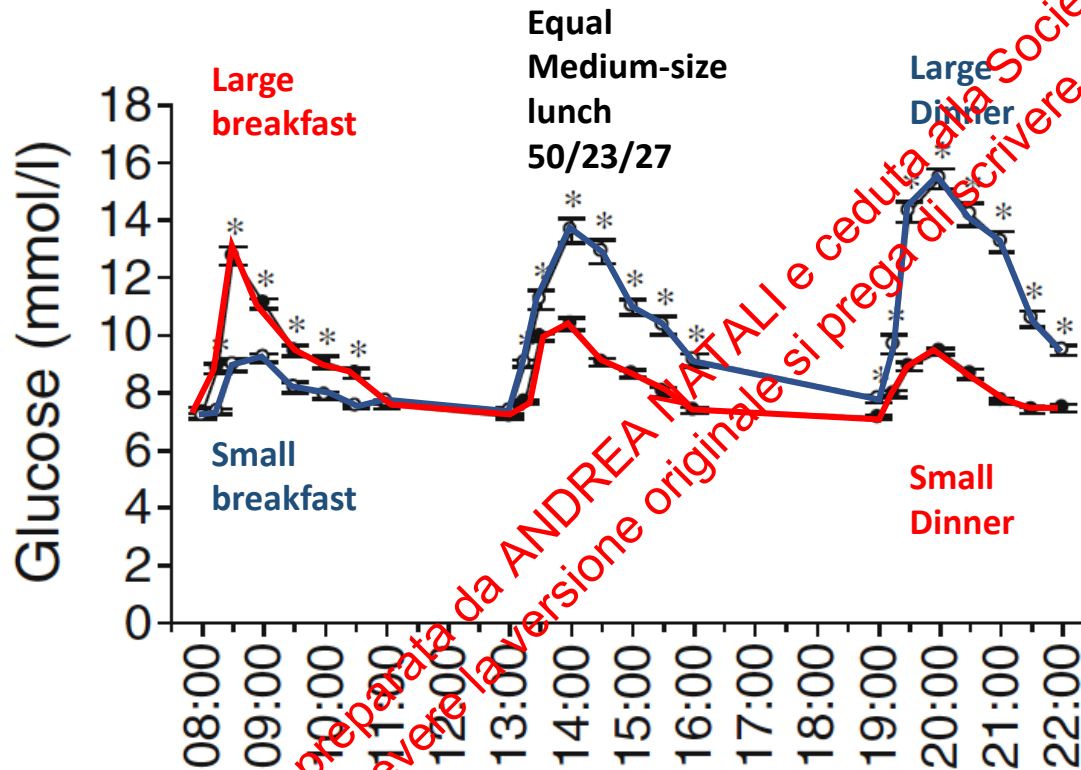
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No breakfast !!



Big breakfast vs big dinner

18 T2D 6 days/cross-over
1,500 Kcal (46/31/23)



Big vs small breakfast

59 T2DM; 1400 Kcal

BB: B= 33% daily cal (rich in fat and protein); L&D 33% calories
SB: B= 12% daily cal (rich in carb); L&D 44% cal

3 months

	BB	SB	
Weight loss (kg)	-2.4	-1.9	ns
HbA1c (%change)	-4.5	-1.5	p= 0.047
Dose reduction (%)	31	0	p=0.02
Dose increase (%)	3	17	p=0.002
Aver. Glucose (mg/dl)	-13	-4	p=0.032
SBP (mmHg)	-9.6	-2.4	p=0.04

Conclusioni

- 1) Esiste un margine molto ampio di intervento
- 2) La dose efficace di attività fisica per migliorare il controllo metabolico è alta (200-300 min di MVPA + 60 min esercizi di resistenza/sett)
- 3) Perdere peso va sempre bene (5% = 0.5 punti di HbA1c)
- 4) La dieta migliore: Dieta mediterranea con pochi (40%) di Carb
- 5) E' meglio rinforzare la colazione e ridurre la cena

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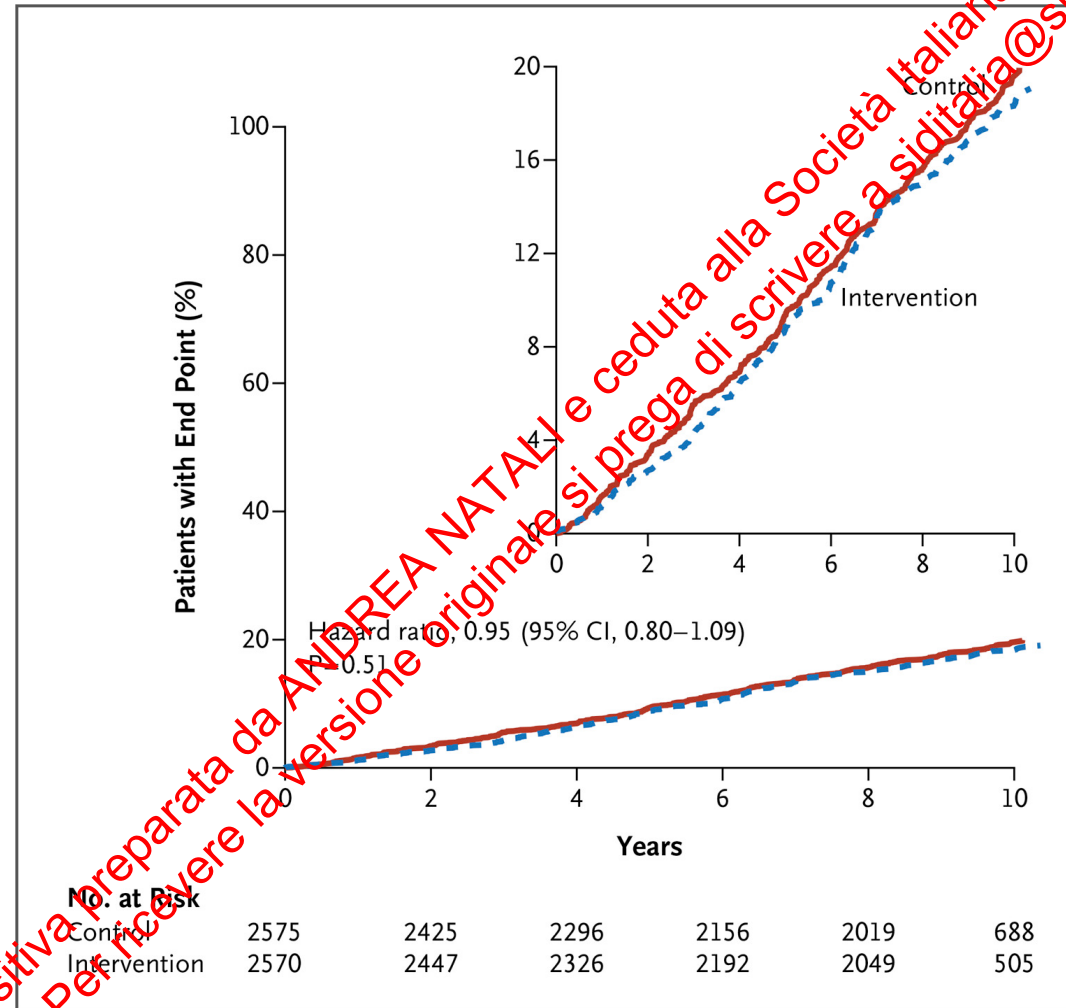
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..... e le complicanze cardiovascolari ?

		Glucose/insulin	Blood pressure	HbA _{1c}	Lipids	Physical function	Depression	Quality of life
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	STRENGTHENING	↓	↓	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑
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	CHRONOTYPE/CONSISTENT TIMING	↓	?	↓	?	?	↓	?

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..... si ma il lookahead è stato deludente



A Post Hoc Analysis of the Look AHEAD Trial

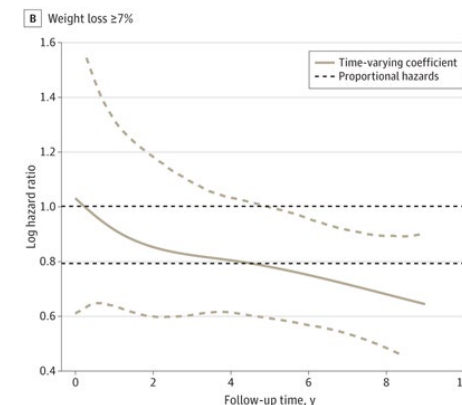
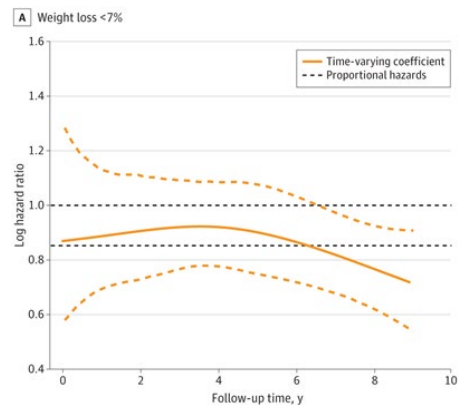


Table 2. Risk of Primary and Secondary Outcomes Stratified by Weight Loss and PA Trajectories

Group	Participants, No. (%)	Model 1, HR (95% CI) ^a	P value	Model 2, HR (95% CI) ^b	P value	P for interaction
Primary outcome: CV death, nonfatal MI or stroke, or hospitalization for angina						
Low PA and no weight loss	105 (15.8)	1 [Reference]	NA	1 [Reference]	NA	
Only high PA	39 (16.7)	0.87 (0.59-1.26)	.45	1.04 (0.70-1.53)	.86	.01
Only weight loss	46 (20.2)	1.29 (0.91-1.89)	.15	1.13 (0.78-1.62)	.52	
High PA and weight loss	8 (7.6)	0.36 (0.17-0.74)	.005	0.39 (0.19-0.81)	.01	
Secondary outcome 1: CV death, nonfatal MI or stroke						
Low PA and no weight loss	68 (10.3)	1 [Reference]	NA	1 [Reference]	NA	
Only high PA	22 (9.4)	0.76 (0.47-1.25)	.28	0.96 (0.57-1.59)	.86	.10
Only weight loss	34 (14.9)	1.46 (0.96-2.21)	.07	1.40 (0.91-2.15)	.13	
High PA and weight loss	6 (5.7)	0.45 (0.19-1.04)	.06	0.57 (0.24-1.36)	.21	
Secondary outcome 2: all-cause death, nonfatal MI or stroke, or hospitalization for angina						
Low PA and no weight loss	121 (18.3)	1 [Reference]	NA	1 [Reference]	NA	
Only high PA	43 (18.5)	0.83 (0.59-1.19)	.32	0.98 (0.68-1.42)	.92	.002
Only weight loss	61 (26.6)	1.48 (1.09-2.02)	.01	1.33 (0.96-1.84)	.08	
High PA and weight loss	9 (8.8)	0.35 (0.18-0.69)	.002	0.38 (0.19-0.75)	.006	
Secondary outcome 3: all-cause death, nonfatal MI or stroke, hospitalization for angina, CABG, PCI, hospitalization for heart failure, carotid endarterectomy, or peripheral vascular disease						
Low PA and no weight loss	154 (23.2)	1 [Reference]	NA	1 [Reference]	NA	
Only high PA	52 (22.3)	0.79 (0.57-1.09)	.15	0.88 (0.63-1.22)	.44	.002
Only weight loss	68 (29.8)	1.27 (0.95-1.70)	.10	1.14 (0.84-1.53)	.40	
High PA and weight loss	10 (9.5)	0.29 (0.15-0.56)	<.001	0.31 (0.16-0.60)	<.001	

Abbreviations: CABG, coronary artery bypass grafting; CV, cardiovascular; MI, myocardial infarction; NA, not applicable; PA, physical activity; PCI, percutaneous coronary intervention.

^a Model 1 was adjusted for age, race and ethnicity, and sex

^b Model 2 was adjusted for age, race and ethnicity, sex, history of cardiovascular disease, fasting plasma glucose level, history of hypertension, insulin use, aspirin use, sedentary time, drinking status, smoking status, triglyceride level, and treatment group.

High PA volume: ≥2000 MET-min/wk



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Supplementi

- 1) Controlla B12 se metformina
- 2) Cromo, curcuma, cannella, aloe vera, vit D, ???

Sodio

≤ 2.3 g/die ?

Proteine

1.0-1.5 g/kg/die (IBW?)

Barriere

Facilitare l'accesso alla MNT

Nutrizione personalizzata (omics)

Qualche osservazione intrigante, ma nessuna solida evidenza

Perdere peso

- 1) Effetto proporzionale su HbA1c (>5% - 15%)
- 2) Non importa il tipo di dieta importa riuscire a convincere il paziente a seguirla

Alcol

- 1) ≤1 s/die donna, ≤2 uomo
- 2) Attenzione all'ipoglicemia tardiva