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# Dyslipidemia in Children

- Why is dyslipidemia important?
- A risk factor for cardiovascular disease
- contributes to the atherosclerotic process.
- Dyslipidemia affects xx proportion of the population with notable health disparities across racial/ethnic groups
  - Adverse lipid levels represent strong risk factors for mnay cardiovascular disease outcomes
  - Lipids are targets for intervention because they represent modifiable factors

# Disparities in Lipids

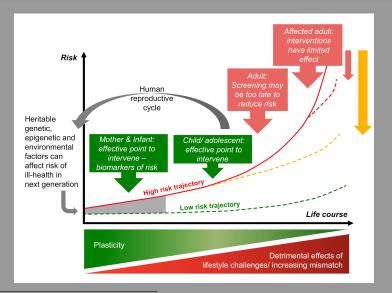
### Dyslipidemia can start in childhood

- How many have it in childhood?
- When you have it how likely are you to maintain dyslipidemia

## Early childhood determinants of chronic disesae

- Researchers have noted a wide range of chronic diseases linked to early life determinants.
  - Birthweight started as one widely noted early life determinant
  - Hypotheses have evolved and now include weight change over time in infancy: growth trajectories.

## Developmental Origins of Health and Disease<sup>1</sup> (DOoHAD)

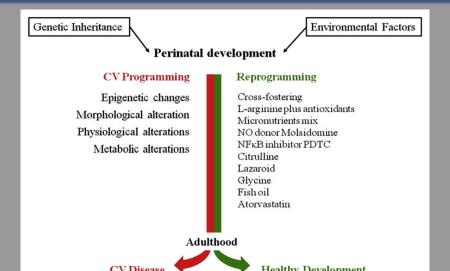


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Hanson MA; Gluckman PD. Early Developmental Conditioning of Later Health and Disease: Physiology or Pathophysiology

Prior studies point towards association between postnatal growth and dyslipidemia later in life.

	Author	Year published	Direction of growth with increase in HDL-C	2+ observations in change measure	Non- European sample?
1	Corvalan	2009	+		<b>✓</b>
2	Ekelund	2007	+		
3	Howe	2010	-		
4	Kajantie	2008	+		
5	Leunissen	2009	-		
6	Oostvogels	2014	-		
7	Tzoulaki	2010	+	<b>V</b>	

The postnatal period is a critical window of time in which accelerated growth can influence risk of chronic disease later in life: developmental programming hypothesis



# Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)

Figure 1: Directed Acyclic Diagram (DAG) for research topic.

infant growth ——— dyslipidemia, adolesence

#### Aims

#### Overall:

- Investigate the association between postnatal growth trajectories and lipids in adolescence
  - Contemporary Chilean birth cohort with monthly measures of weight in the first year of life
  - $\diamond$  High quality clinical measures of cardiovascular disease risk factors.
- Will investigate postnatal growth trajectories for weight-for-length, weight and length outcome measures.

#### Characterize growth trajectories for infants from 0 to 12 months and what are some significant predictors?

Aim 1 Characterize individual growth trajectories in the first year of life and replicate predictors of growth using external validation with an independent sample.

We expect to replicate previous findings<sup>2</sup> indicating a positive association between:

- Maternal characteristics such as pre-pregnancy BMI, height and age with trajectory size.
- 2. Maternal education and trajectory velocity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Pizzi C: Cole TJ: Richiardi L; dos-Santos-Silva I; Corvalan C; De Stavola B. Prenatal Influences on Size; Velocity and Tempo of Infant Growth: Findings from Three Contemporary Cohorts. PLoS ONE. 2014 Feb 27;9(2):e90291...

#### Aim 2

Do certain postnatal growth trajectories associate with dyslipidemia?

Aim 2 Examine the association between postnatal growth trajectories and dyslipidemia.

#### We expect:

Infants with faster growth trajectories will be more susceptible to dyslipidemia in adolescence.

#### Aim 3

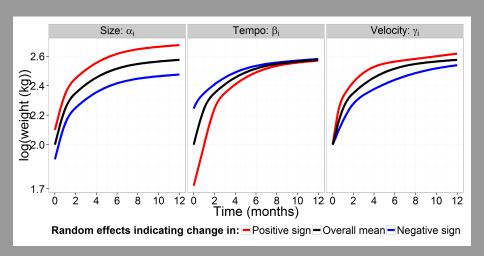
Question Do growth trajectories modify the association between genetic variants related to lipid metabolism and dyslipidemia in adolescence?

Aim 3 Assess gene-environment interaction between growth trajectory characteristics and genetic variants of lipid metabolism with dyslipidemia at 18 years of age as an outcome.

#### We expect:

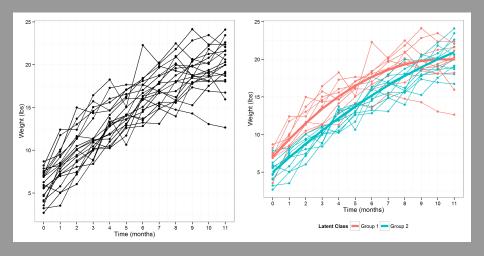
- 1. The selected genetic variants will associate with dyslipidemia in adolescence.
- A gene-environment interaction exists in which extreme and less favorable growth characteristics will exhibit stronger, deleterious associations between the genetic variants and dyslipidemia.

# Use SITAR<sup>3</sup> method to measure 3 types of postnatal growth: size, tempo, velocity



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Beath KJ; Heller GZ. Latent trajectory modelling of multivariate binary data. Statistical Modelling. 2009 Oct 21;9(3):199-2 Ben-Shlomo Y. SITAR - a useful instrument for growth curve analysis. International Journal of Epidemiology. 2010 Jul 20:39(6)

# Latent growth mixture models (LGMM) can provide unobserved groups of peop



## SLCS lipid variants and dyslipidemia in adolescence

# Strengths and Limitation

- Strengths
- Limitations

## Public Health Implications

• Add information from Messer 2015 paper.

#### Future Research

Put new approaches here.