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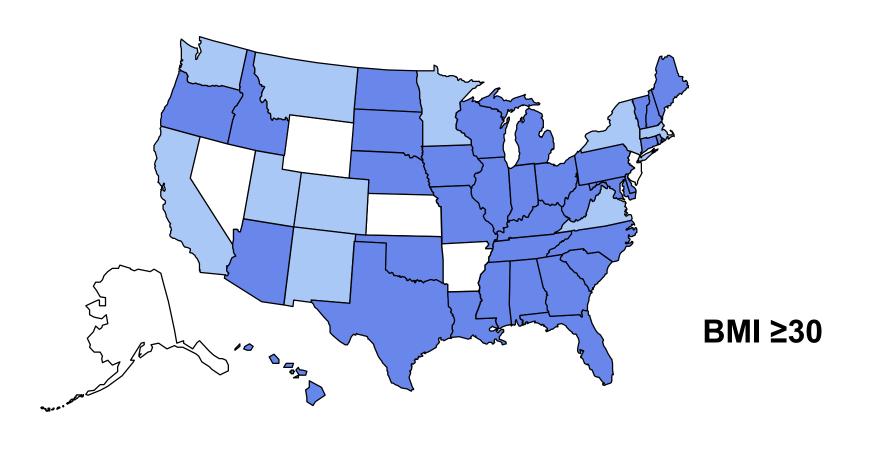
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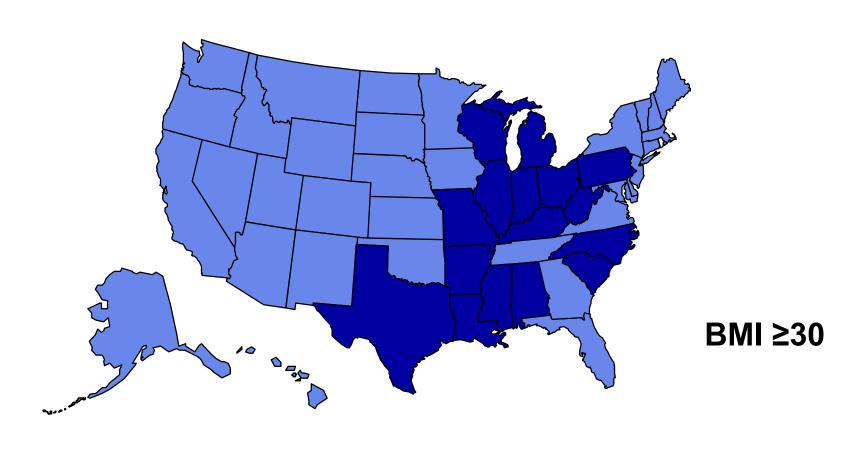


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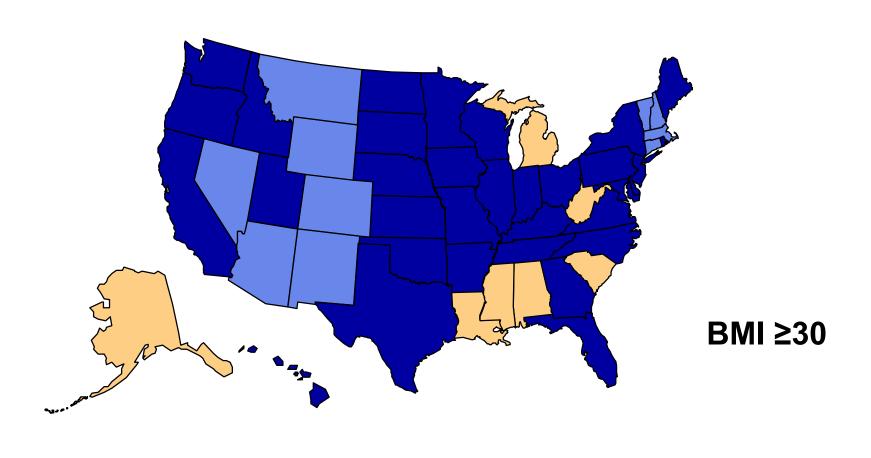
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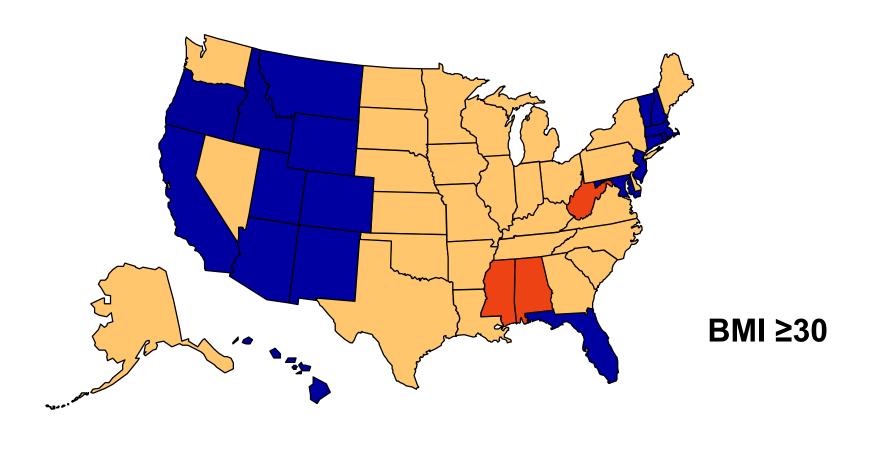
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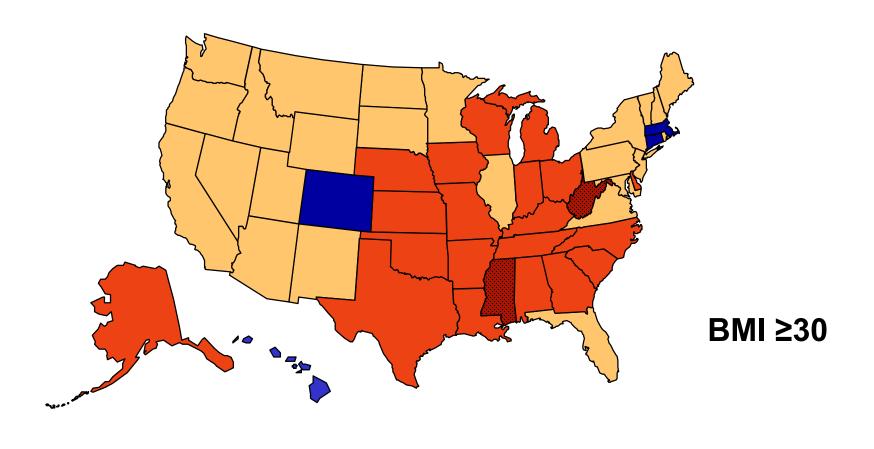
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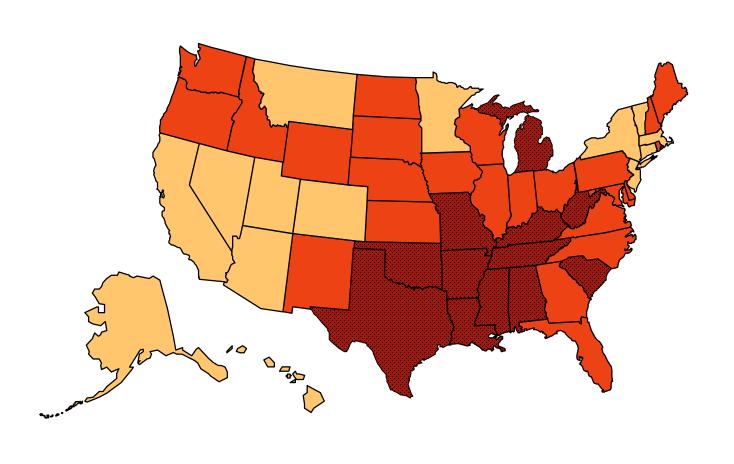
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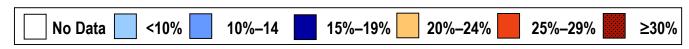
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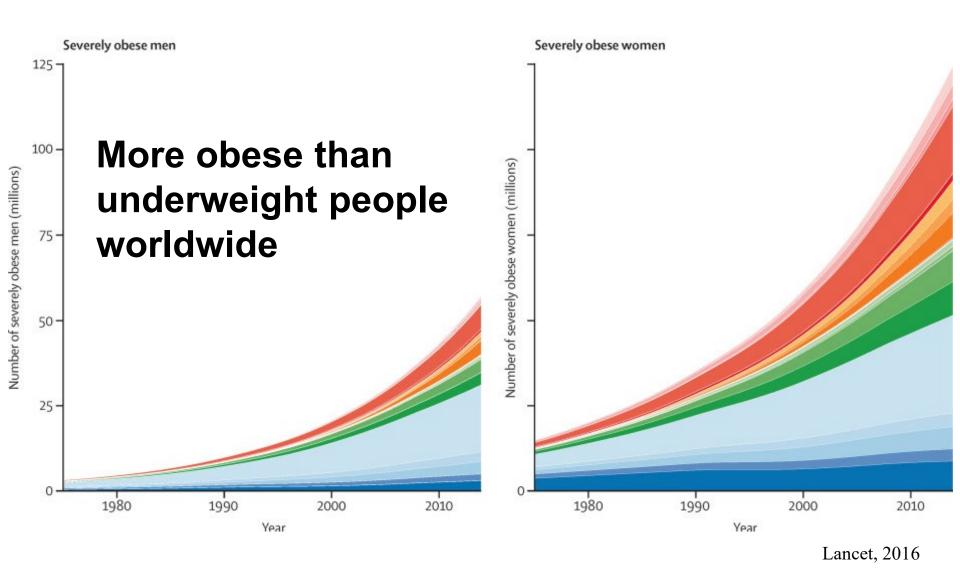
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Rising Obesity Levels Worldwide

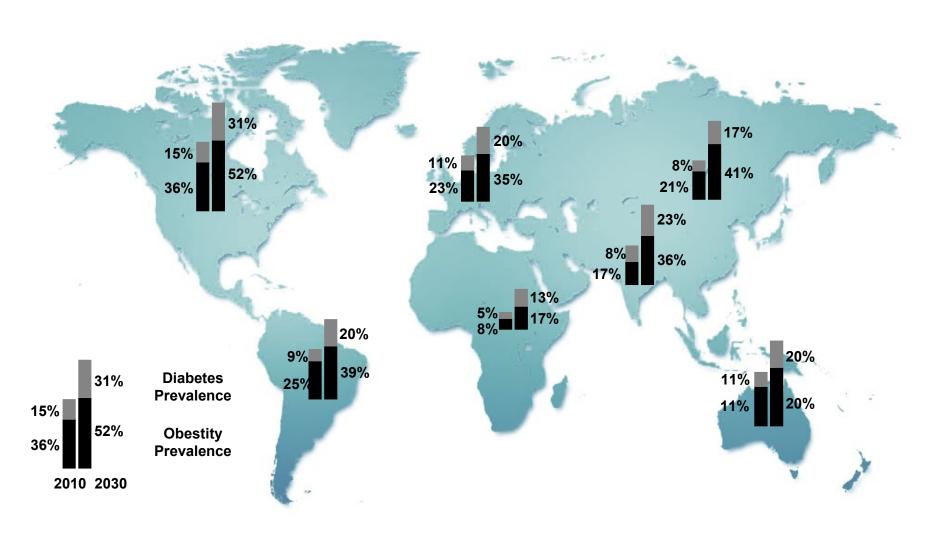


Obesity co-morbidities



- Dyslipidemia
- Hepatic steatosis
- Cardio-vascular diseases
- Insulin resistance/Typ 2
 Diabetes
- Depression
- Cancer

Typ 2 Diabetes und Adipositas



Lipodistrophic co-morbidities





- Dyslipidemia
- Hepatic steatosis
- Cardio-vascular diseases
- Insulin resistance/Typ 2Diabetes
- Depression
- Cancer

BMI dependent risk of death



Lecture: Molecular Disease Mechanisms

Obesity and Energy Metabolism (2h)

Central Control of Food Intake (2h)

Obesity and Insulin Resistance (2h)

Insulin Resistance and Type 2 Diabetes (2h)

Hepatic Lipid Metabolism/Steatosis (2h)

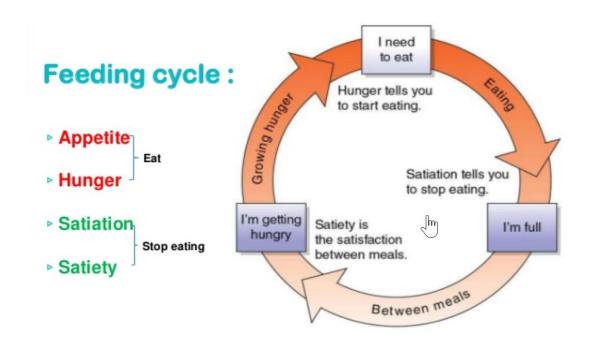
Endothelial Function and Hypertension (2h)

Lipid Metabolism and Cardiovascular

Complications (4h)

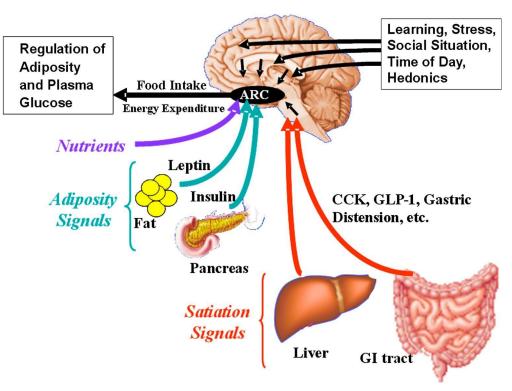
Paper discussion (2h)

- Hunger- sensation associated with the drive to eat
- Appetite- psychological desire to eat
- Satiation- termination of eating after hunger has been satisfied



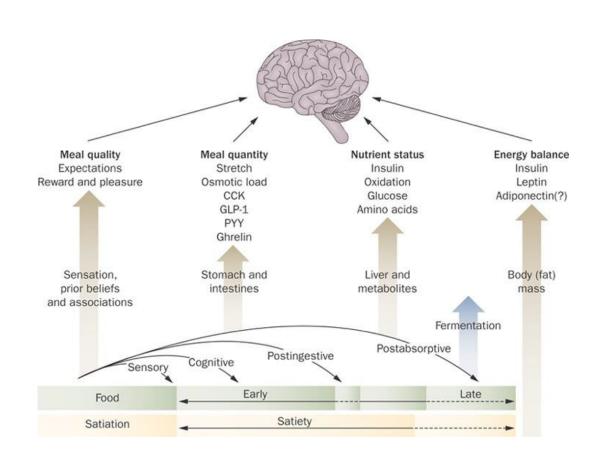
Energy homeostasis

- The brain is a key player in the control of energy homeostasis
- The brain integrates incoming information in the form of hormonal and neural signals with data on energetic needs or anticipated needs
- Environmental factors

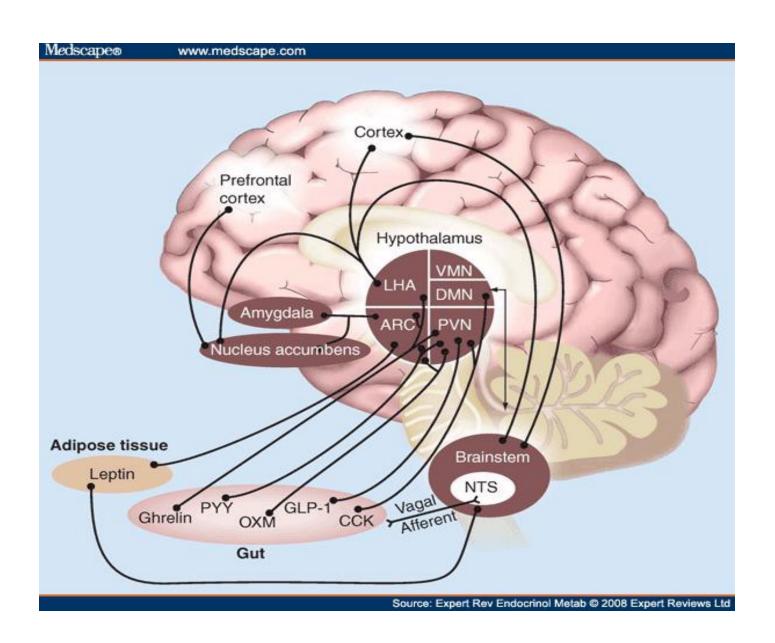


Woods., 2009

The physiological regulation of food intake is a complex homeostatic process that is regulated by many endocrine and metabolic factors in a combination with visual, olfactory, taste sensation, emotions, memory and the life conditions



Adapted from J. Blundell



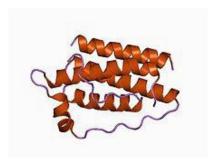
Historical overview



ob/ob mice (1950)

1994- Jeffrey Friedman cloned the ob gene in mice and its homolog in humans.

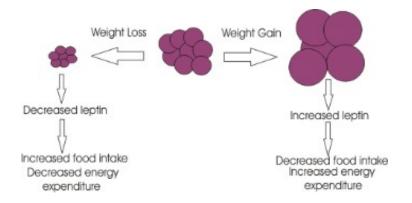
1995- purification of the gene product, hormone called leptin.



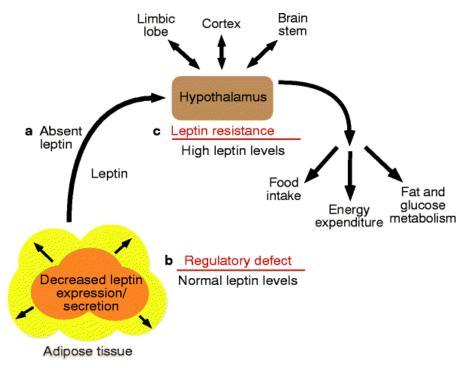
Leptin, is a 16-kilodalton adipocyte derived hormone that circulates in the serum

The role of leptin

- Increases metabolic rate/energy expenditure
- Decreases food intake



Defects in leptin leading to obesity



How does it work?

1. Inhibiting appetite through appetite-stimulating neuropeptide Y (NPY) neurons and the appetite-inhibiting proopiomelanocortin (POMC) neurons in the hypothalamic arcuate nucleus.

Leptin inhibits NPY/AGRP neurons that increase NPY and results in inhibition of food intake.

