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Weight Years - Establishment of a New Parameter for the Prognosis of Obesity-associated Diseases.

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The Background

Limited and conflicting data on the impact of **the duration, onset and severity of obesity** on the likelihood of developing obesity-associated diseases.

The Aim

To evaluate a correlation between the duration and severity of obesity and obesity-associated diseases by calculating a new variable called **Weight Years (WY)**.

Material and Methods



Retrospective analysis



Patients with BMI $\geq 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$
No previous MBS



Demographic/social data
Comorbidities
Medication
Smoking status etc.

$$WY = \frac{\text{years of obesity} \times (BMI - 25)}{10}$$

Study Population

♂ 625 ♀ 1310 Age: 42 ± 12



BMI: $48 \pm 8 \text{ kg/m}^2$



Comorbidities: 4 ± 2

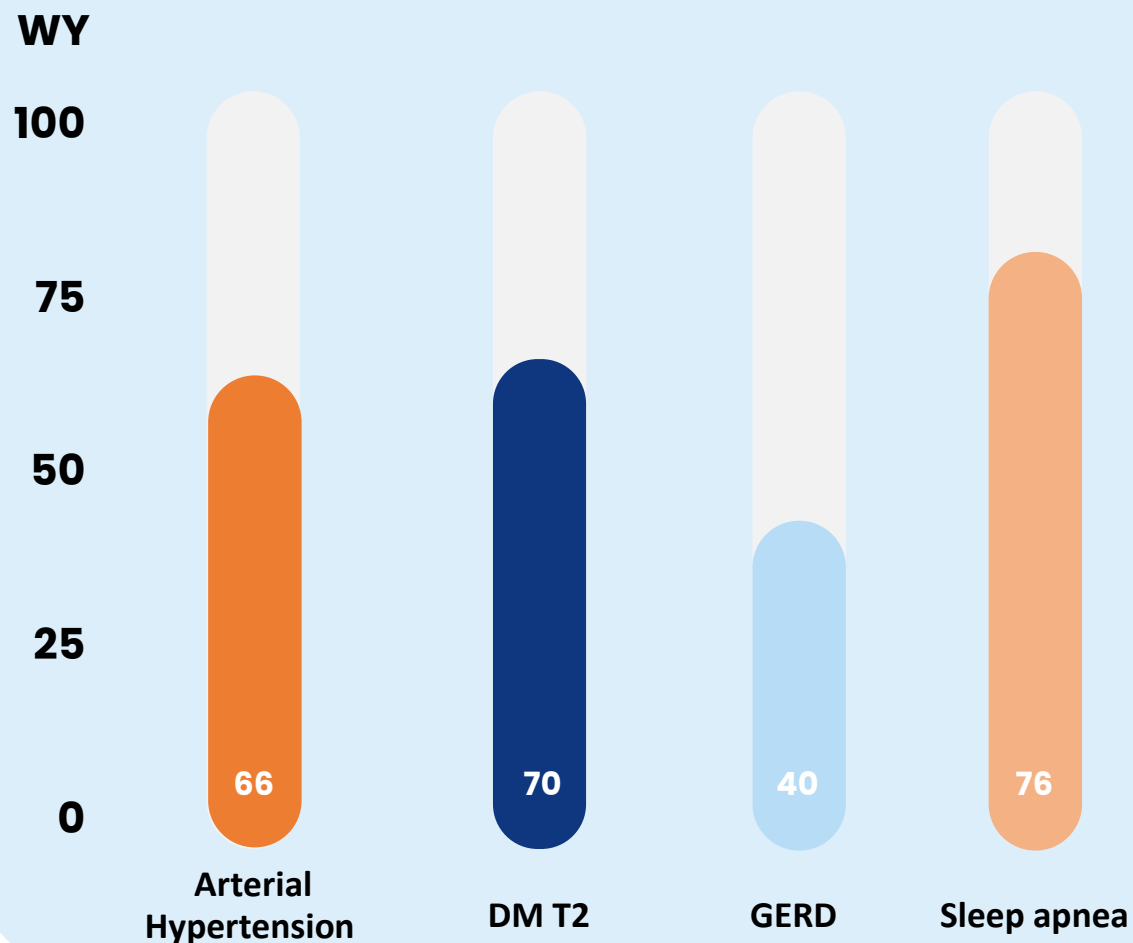
WY

66 ± 41



Findings

Risk of Disease



Comorbidities	WY w/ CM (Mean ± SD)	WY w/o CM (Mean ± SD)	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value	DP (WY)	AUC	p-value	Cut-off (WY)	Youden Index
AHT	76.99 ± 43.08	51.54 ± 31.11	<0.0001	1.019	1.016 – 1.022	<0.0001	36.83	0.688	<0.0001	66	0.289
DMT2	76.94 ± 44.12	60.43 ± 37.09	<0.0001	1.010	1.008 – 1.012	<0.0001	69.66	0.616	<0.0001	70	0.196
GERD	74.92 ± 42.22	62.16 ± 38.98	<0.0001	1.008	1.005 – 1.010	<0.0001	86.99	0.598	<0.0001	39	0.167
OSAS	77.79 ± 46.11	61.88 ± 37.22	<0.0001	1.009	1.007 – 1.012	<0.0001	77.36	0.604	<0.0001	74	0.172

WY, weight year; CM, comorbidity; OR, Odds ratio; CI, confidence interval; DP, doubling probability; AUC, area under curve; AHT, arterial hypertension; DMT2, diabetes mellitus type 2; GERD, gastroesophageal reflux disease; OSAS, sleep apnea; CHD, coronary heart disease;

Findings

Conclusions



Doubling Probability

38
WY

Arterial hypertension

70
WY

Diabetes mellitus Type 2

77
WY

Sleep apnea

87
WY

GERD

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WY positively correlates with the risk of developing some obesity-associated comorbidities.

Future directions:

predicting not only the risk of obesity-associated comorbidity, but also determining the optimal time of bariatric surgery?