

# Prospective Randomised Controlled Trial Comparing Fixed Versus Tailored Limb Lengths for Laparoscopic Duodenal Switch

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# Background

Variation in technical practice

Limb length history - how long and why

Hess et al, 1998, Obesity Surgery, Marceau et al 2007, Obesity Surgery

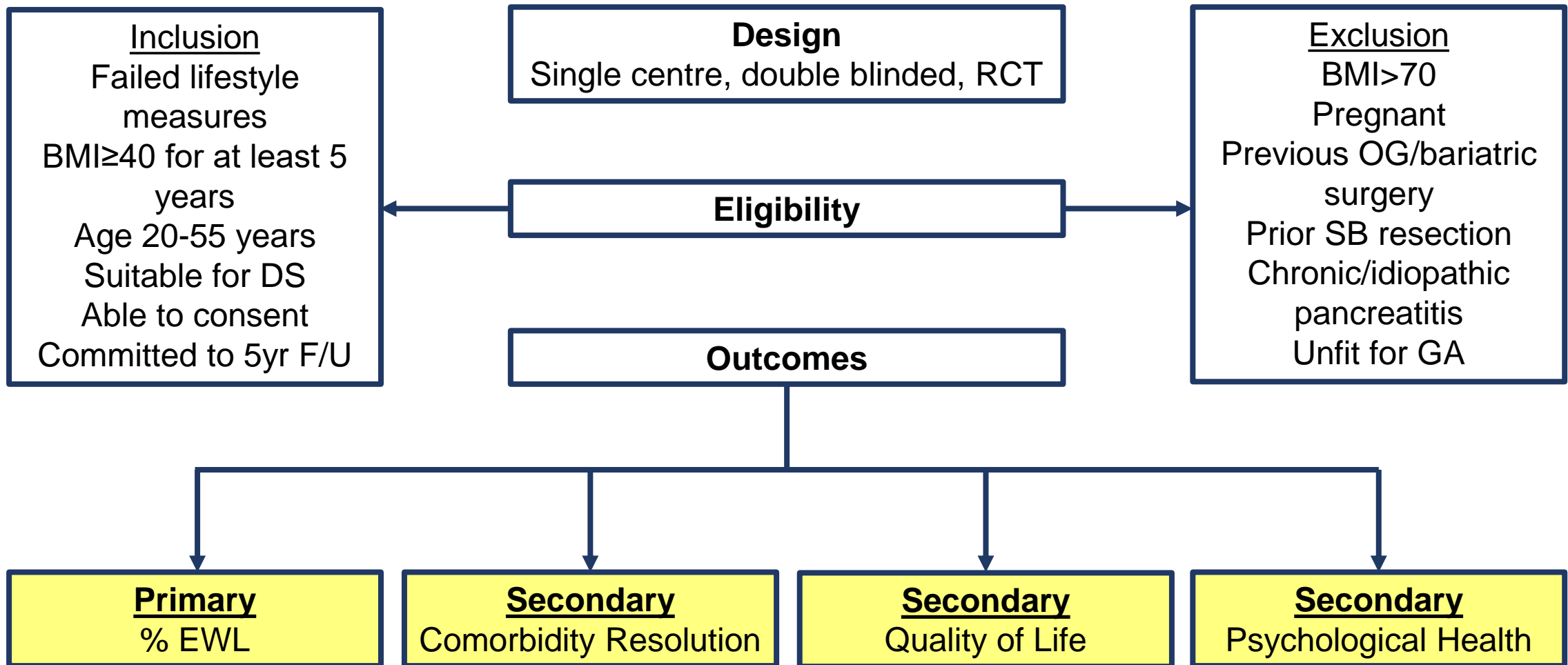
Biliopancreatic limb length matters

Cloutier et al, 2018, Surgery for Obesity and Related Diseases

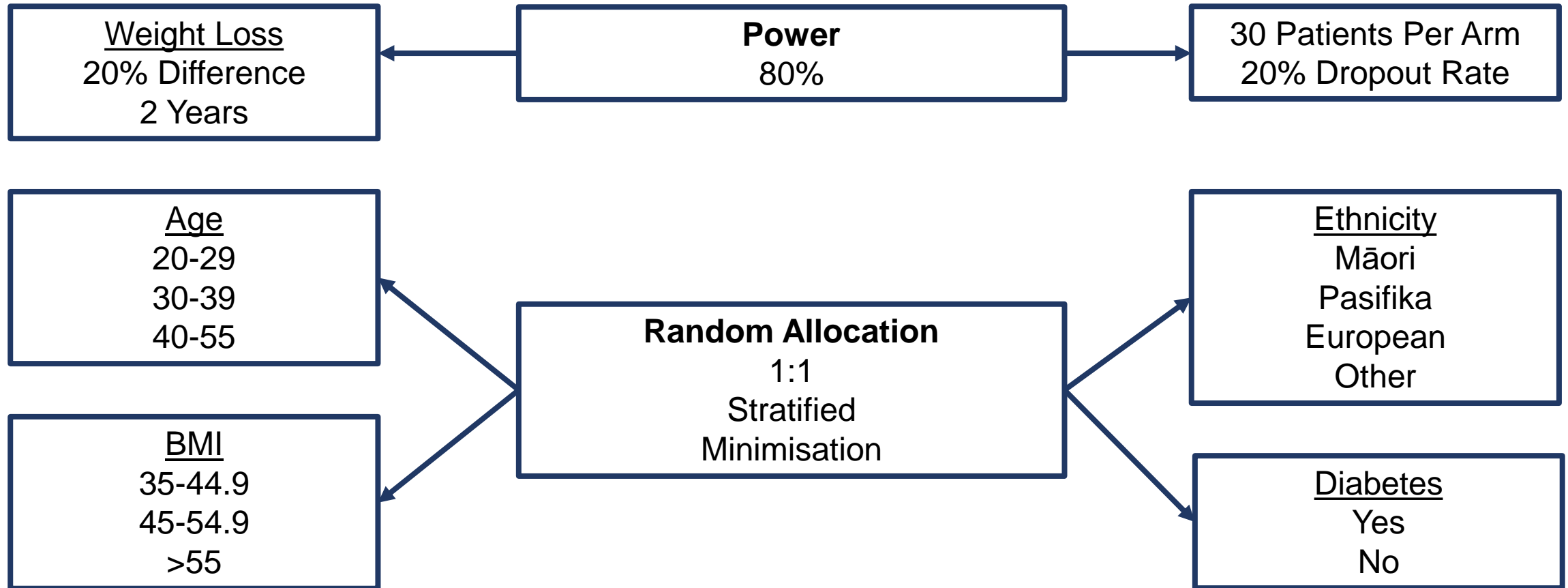
Fixed vs Tailored DS case series – no difference

Vage et al, 2011, Obesity Surgery

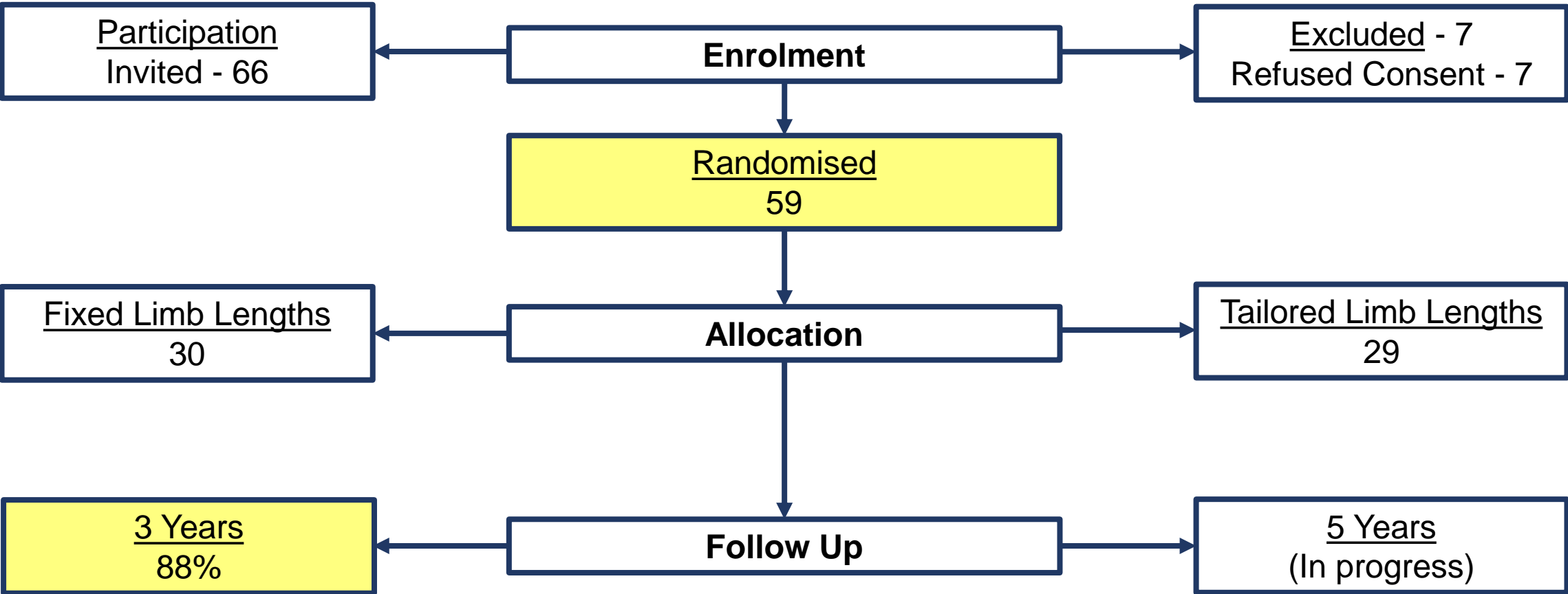
# Methods



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# Participant Journey



# Study Groups

## Fixed Limb Lengths

100cm common channel  
150cm alimentary limb

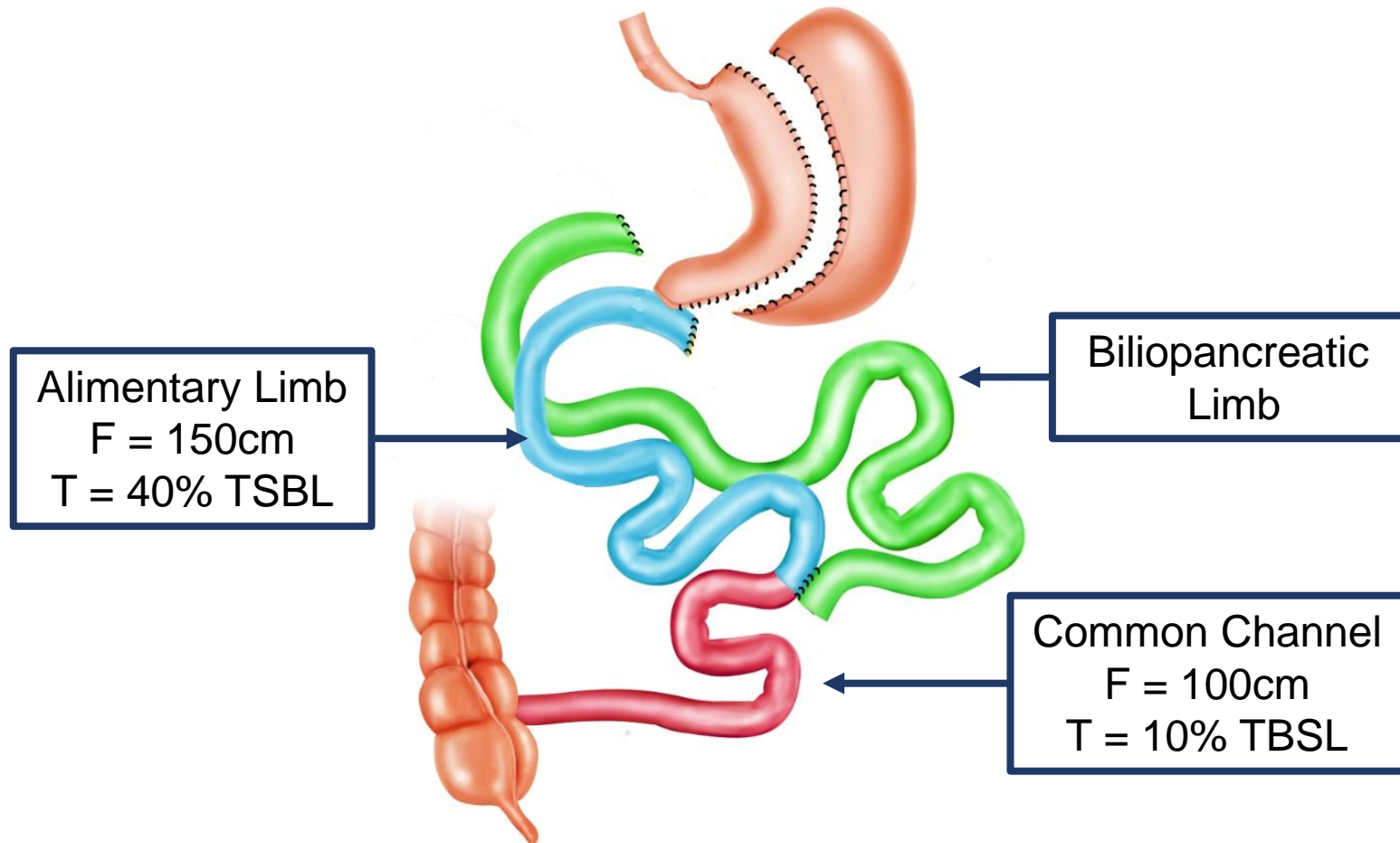
## Tailored Limb Lengths

10% common channel  
40% alimentary limb

Calibrated laparoscopic graspers

Single surgeon measurement

Concurrent assistant double check



# Baseline Information

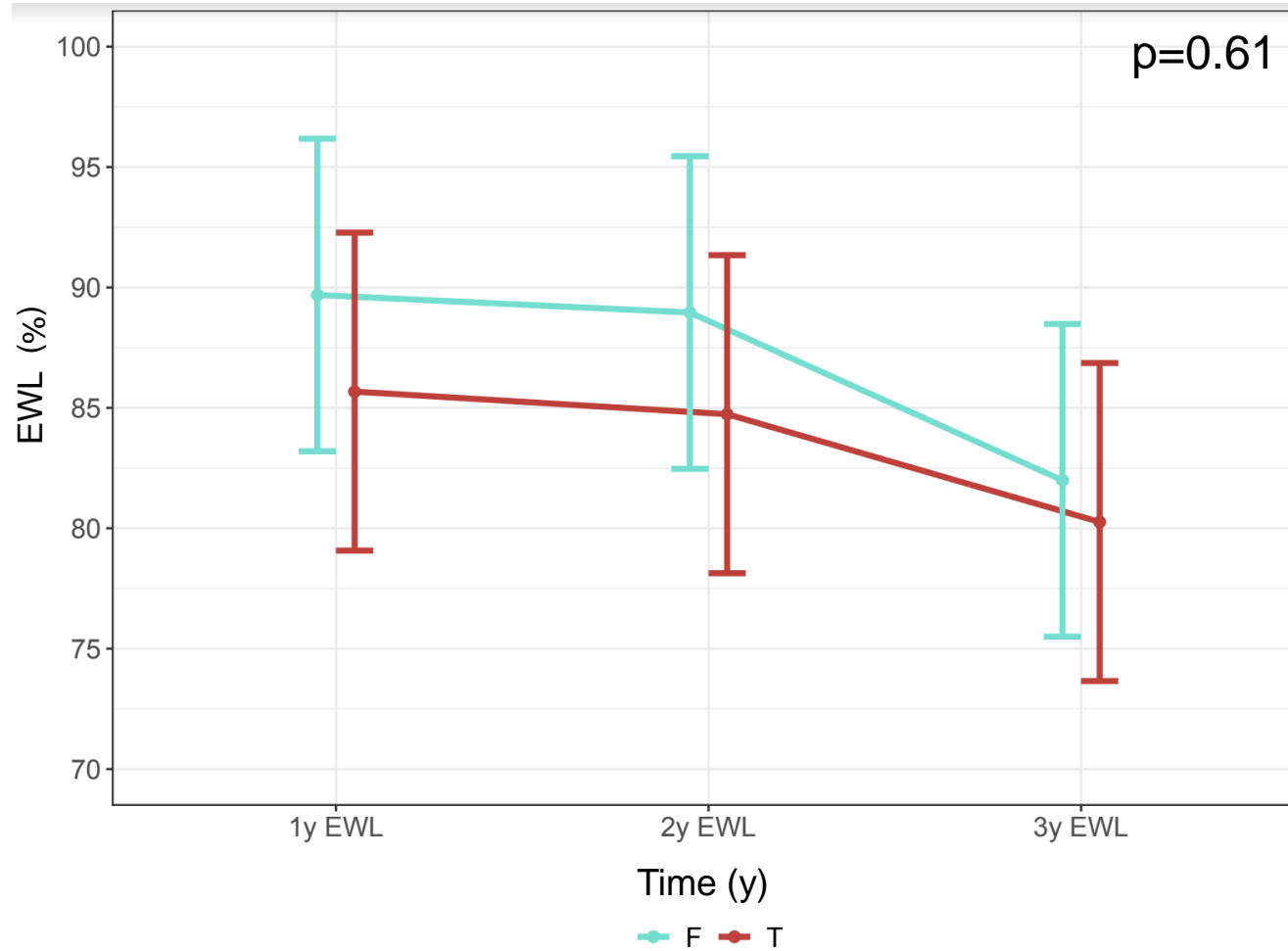
	Fixed (n=30)	Tailored (n=29)
Age, years (SD)	44.1 ± 9.19	45.2 ± 8.27
Gender (male), n (%)	7 (23.3)	4 (13.8)
Ethnicity, n (%)		
NZ European	20 (66.7)	21 (72.4)
Maori	4 (13.3)	3 (10.3)
Pasifika	1 (3.00)	1 (3.00)
Other	5 (16.7)	4 (13.8)
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ), median [IQR]	50.5 [3.78]	50.1 [6.55]
Excess weight (kg), median [IQR]	67.5 [10.6]	67.7 [10.8]
Total SB length (cm), n (SD)	730 ± 106	808 ± 189
Conversion to open	1	1



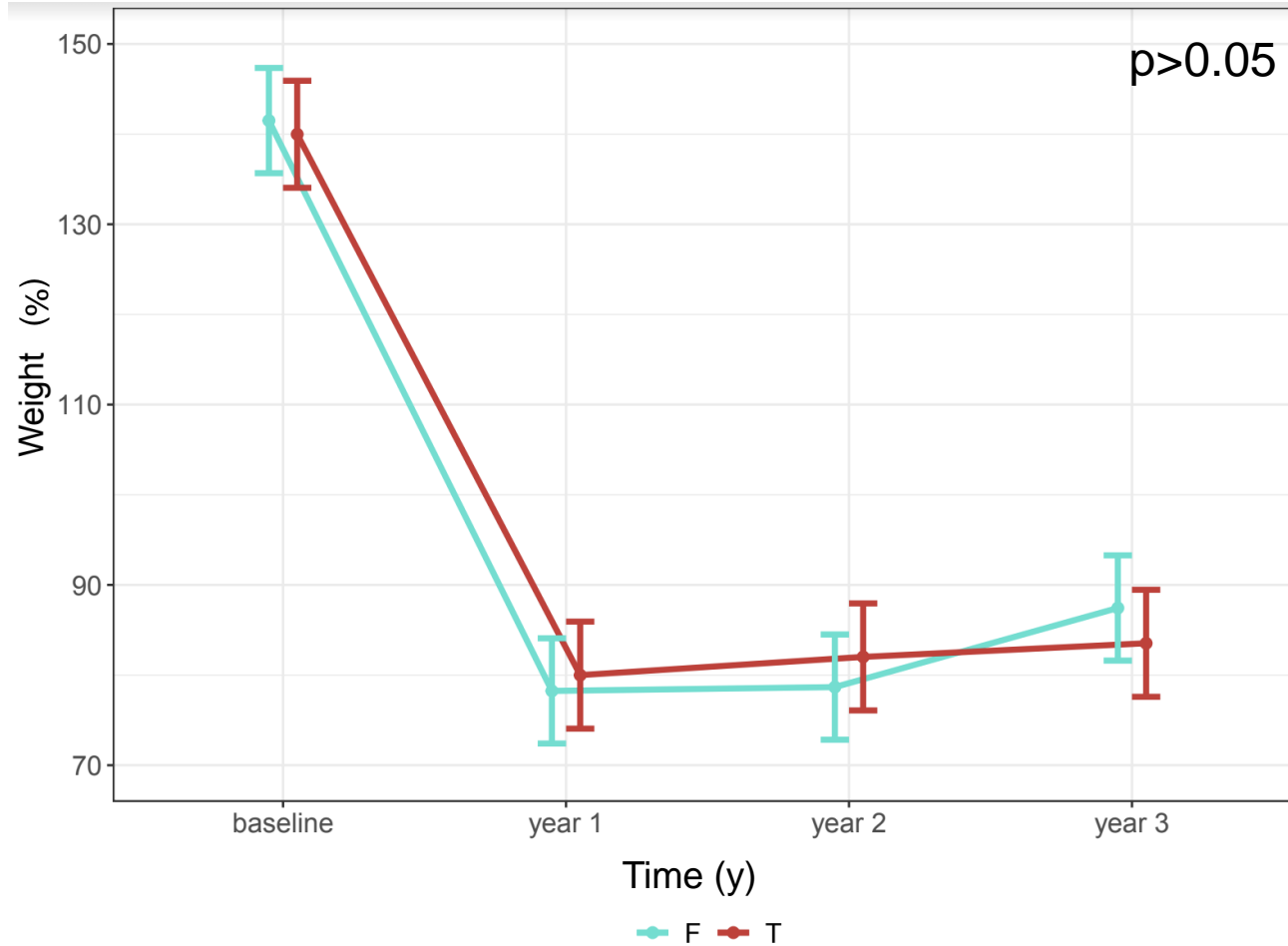
# Baseline Information

	Fixed (n=30)	Tailored (n=29)
Comorbidities, n (%)		
Diabetes	9 (30.0)	10 (34.5)
OSA	8 (26.7)	10 (34.5)
Hypertension	10 (33.3)	15 (51.7)
Dyslipidaemia	15 (50.0)	16 (55.2)

# Excess Weight Loss



# Absolute Weight Loss

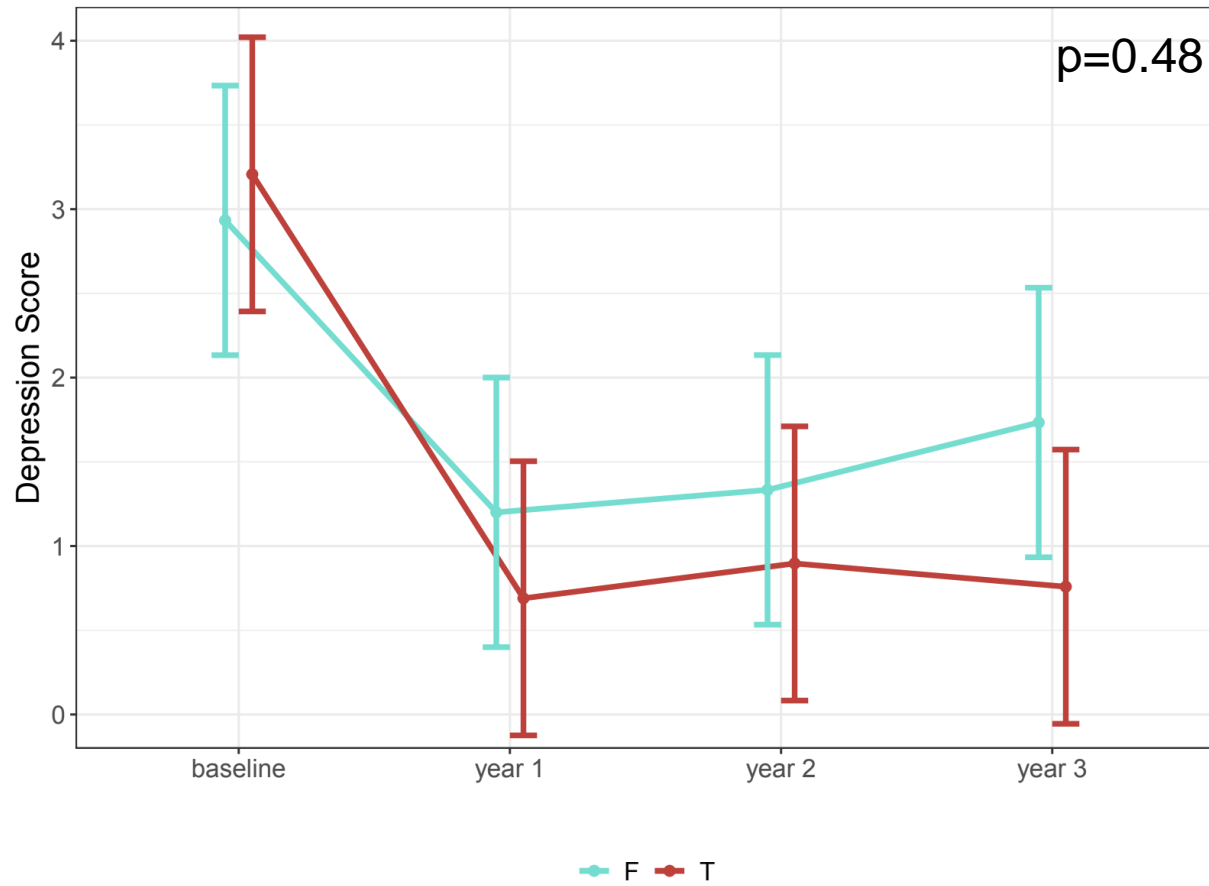


# Comorbidity Resolution

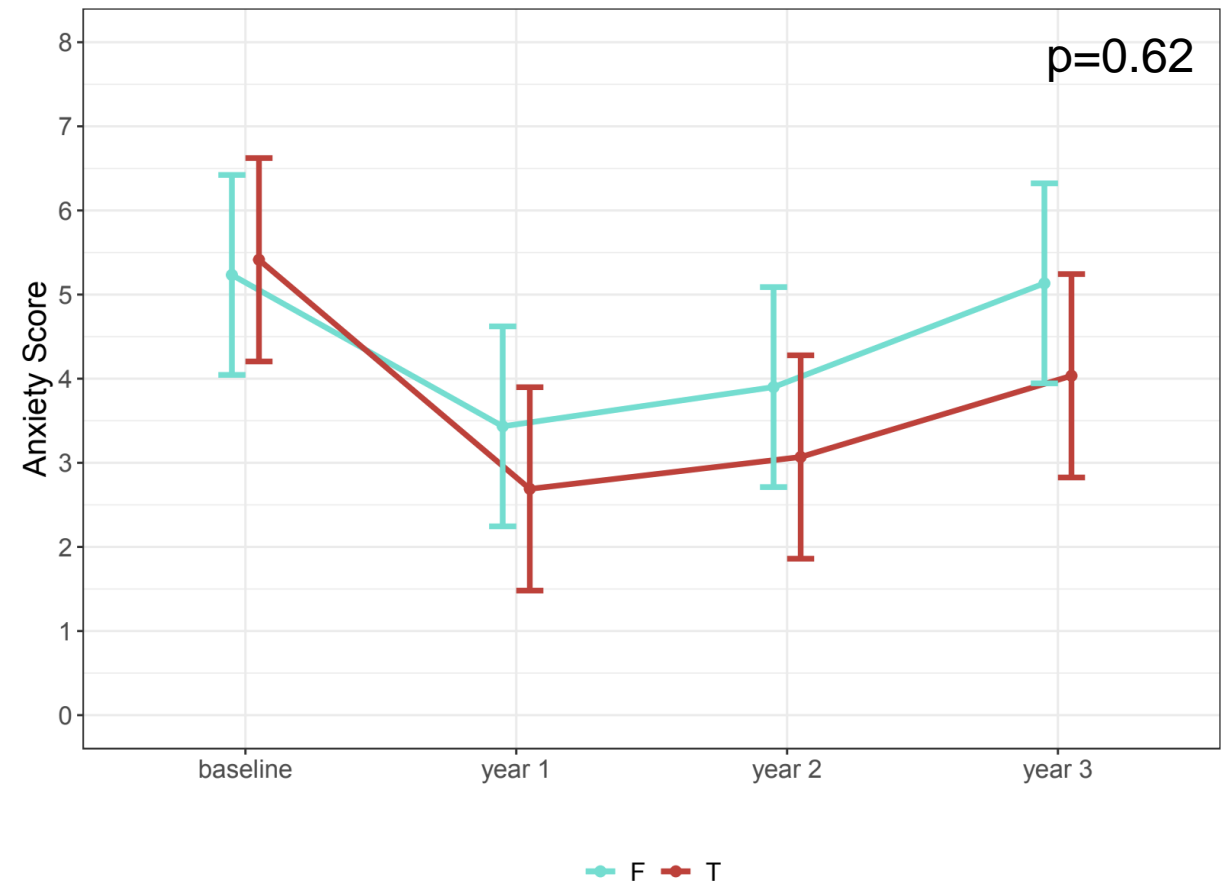
	Fixed (n=30)	Tailored (n=29)	p-value
Comorbidities, n (%)			
Diabetes	9/9 (100)	10/10 (100)	1.00
OSA	7/8 (87.5)	10/10 (100)	0.908
Hypertension	8/10 (80.0)	12/15 (80.0)	1.00
Dyslipidaemia	14/14 (100)	16/17 (94.1)	1.00

# HADS

## Depression Scores



## Anxiety Scores

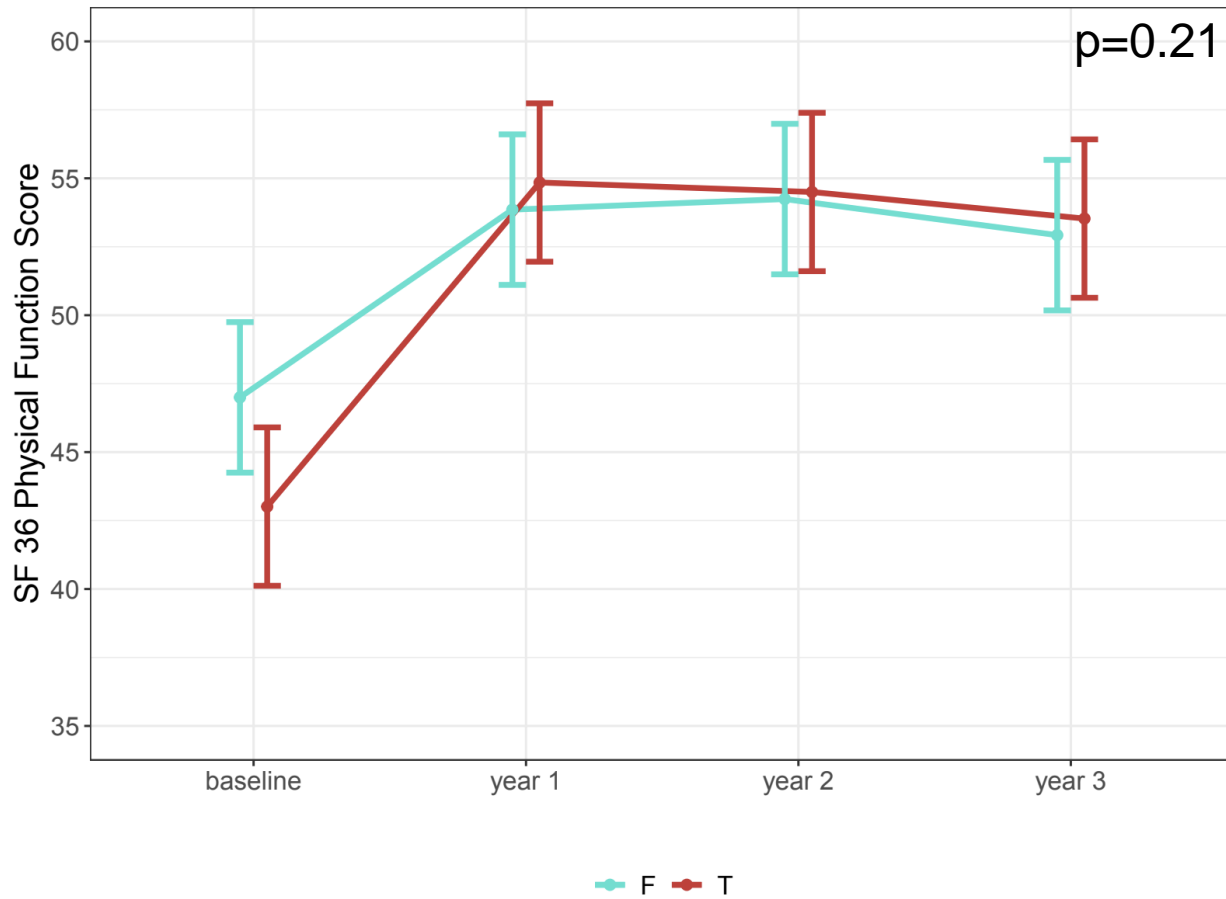


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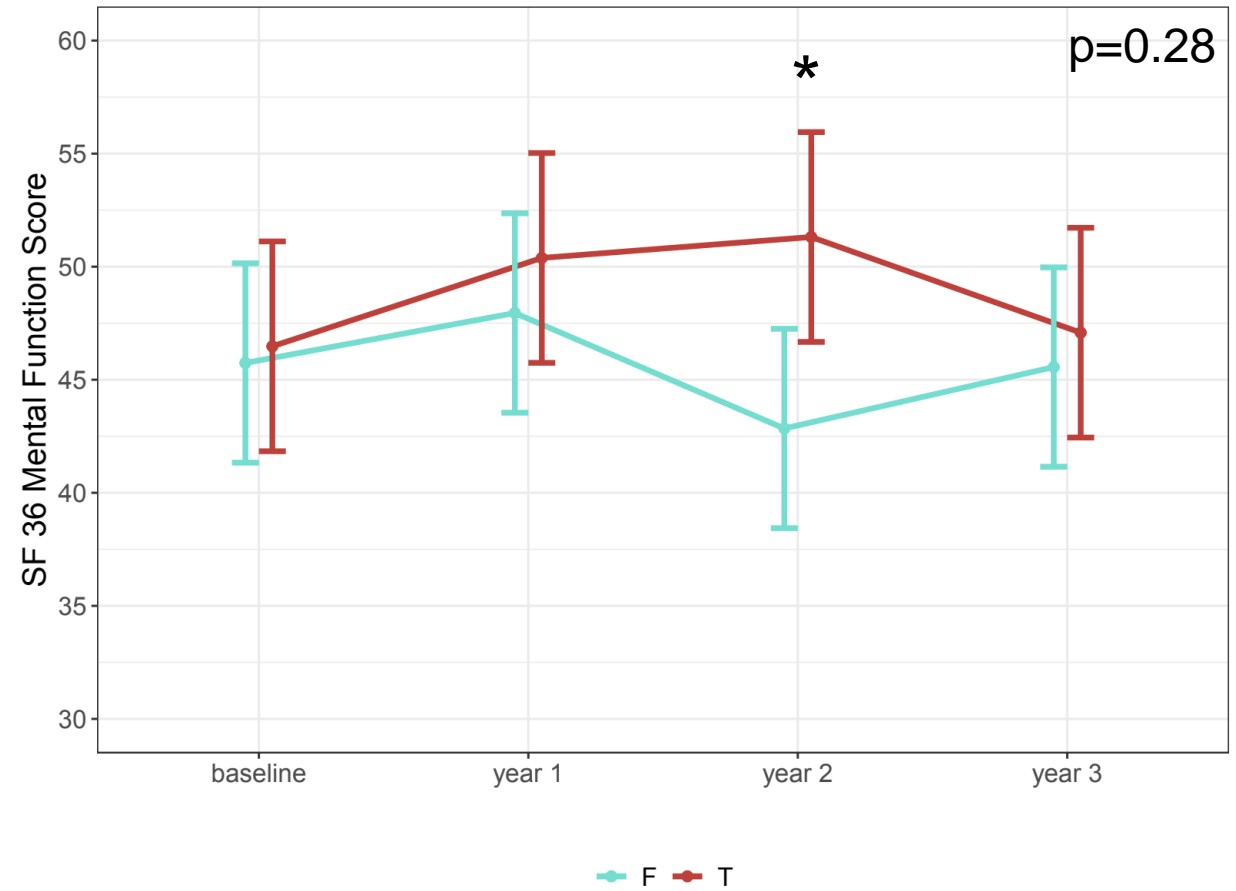
	Fixed (n=30)			Tailored (n=29)			p-value
	Baseline	3 Years	Difference	Baseline	3 Years	Difference	
Anxiety Symptoms Score $\geq 8$ n (%)	3 (10.0)	4 (13.3)	+1	5 (17.2)	2 (6.90)	<b>-3</b>	0.110
Depressive Symptoms Score $\geq 8$ n (%)	2 (6.60)	2 (6.60)	0	3 (10.3)	0 (0)	<b>-3</b>	0.185

# SF-36

## Physical Functioning



## Mental Functioning



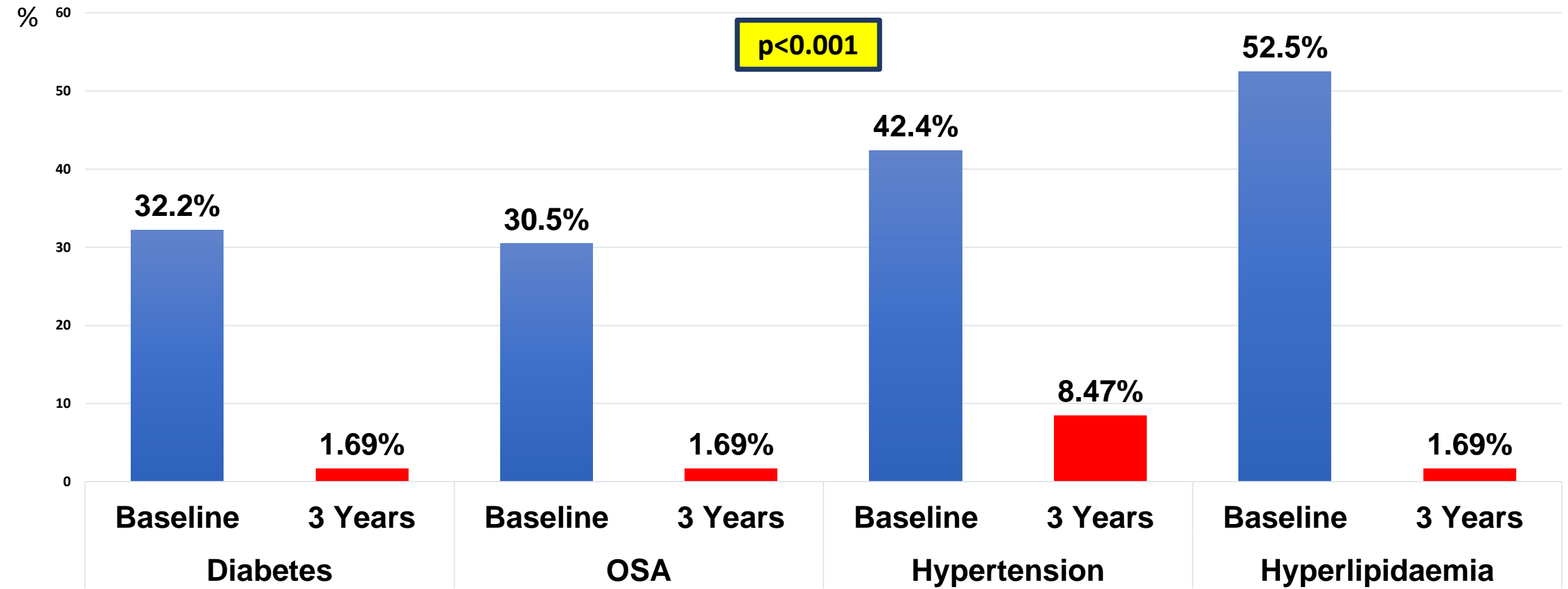
# Duodenal Switch Outcomes

n=59	Baseline	3 Years	Difference	p-value
<b>Weight Change</b>				
Excess Weight Loss (%)	-	81.1%	81.1%	-
Weight (kg)	140.8	82.7	58.1	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
<b>HADS</b>				
Depression Score	3.07	1.25	1.82	<b>0.052</b>
Anxiety Score	5.32	4.58	0.73	0.261
<b>SF-36</b>				
Physical Functioning	45.0	53.2	8.22	<b>&lt;0.000002</b>
Mental Functioning	46.1	46.3	-0.22	0.960



# Duodenal Switch Outcomes

## Comorbidity Rate from Baseline to 3 Years (n=59)



# Conclusion

Standardised vs tailored DS limb lengths  
No significant difference – possible link to mental health

DS overall  
Effective MBS

Future endeavours  
5-year data analysis and nutritional biochemistry

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