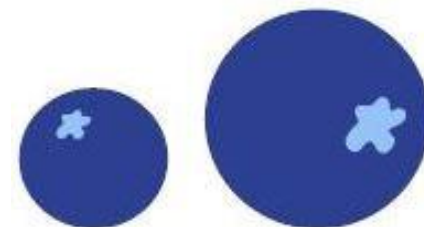




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Reverse and Prevent Autoimmune Disease***

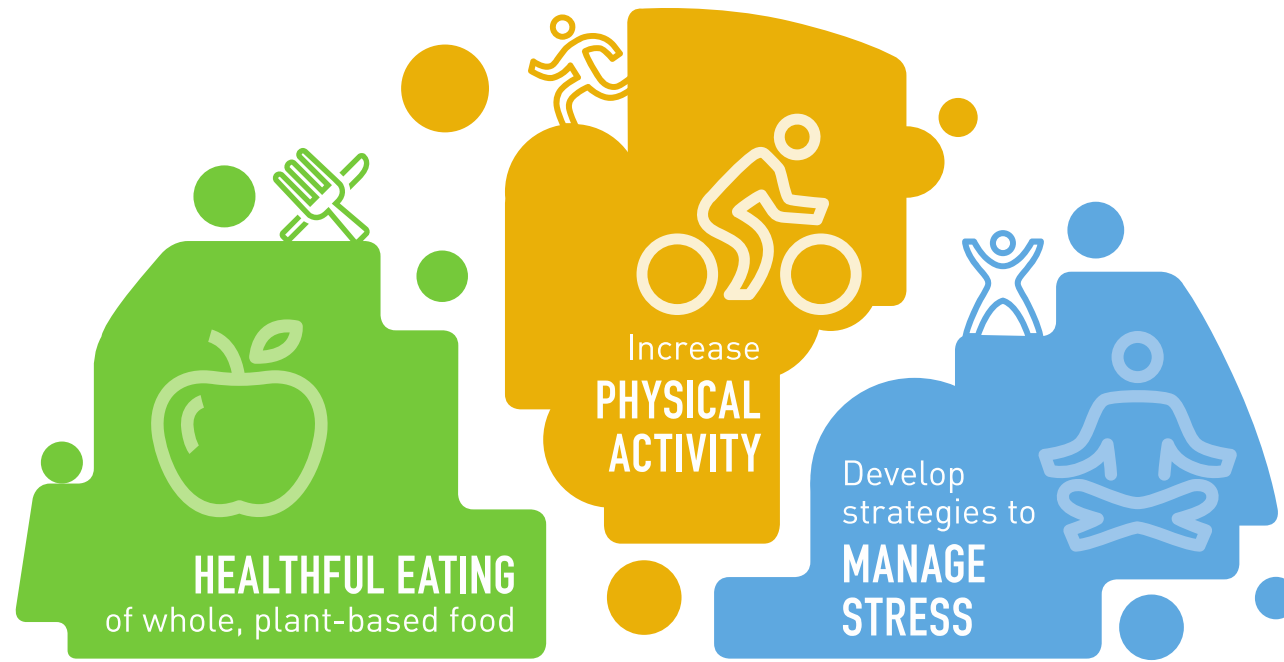
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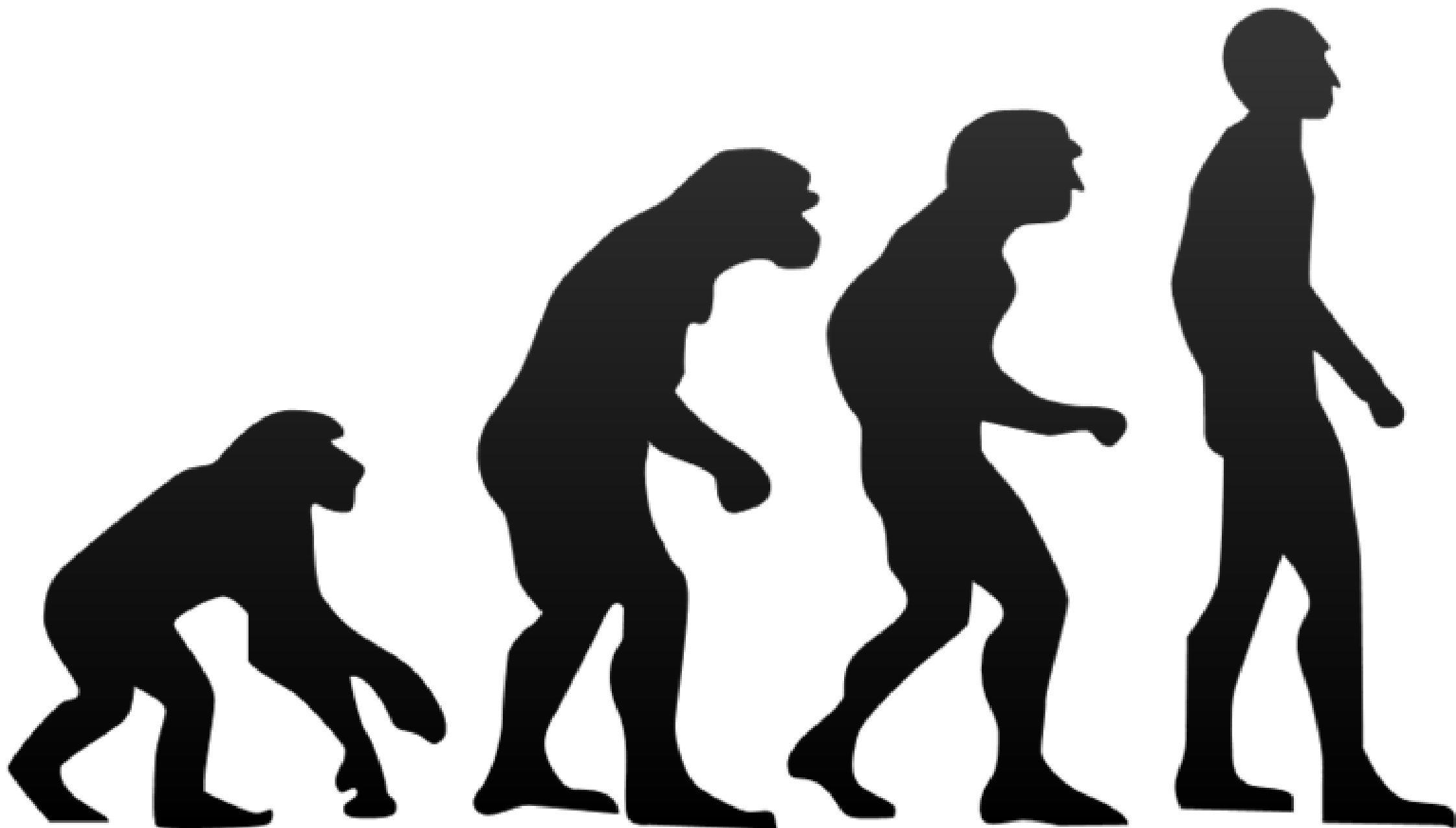
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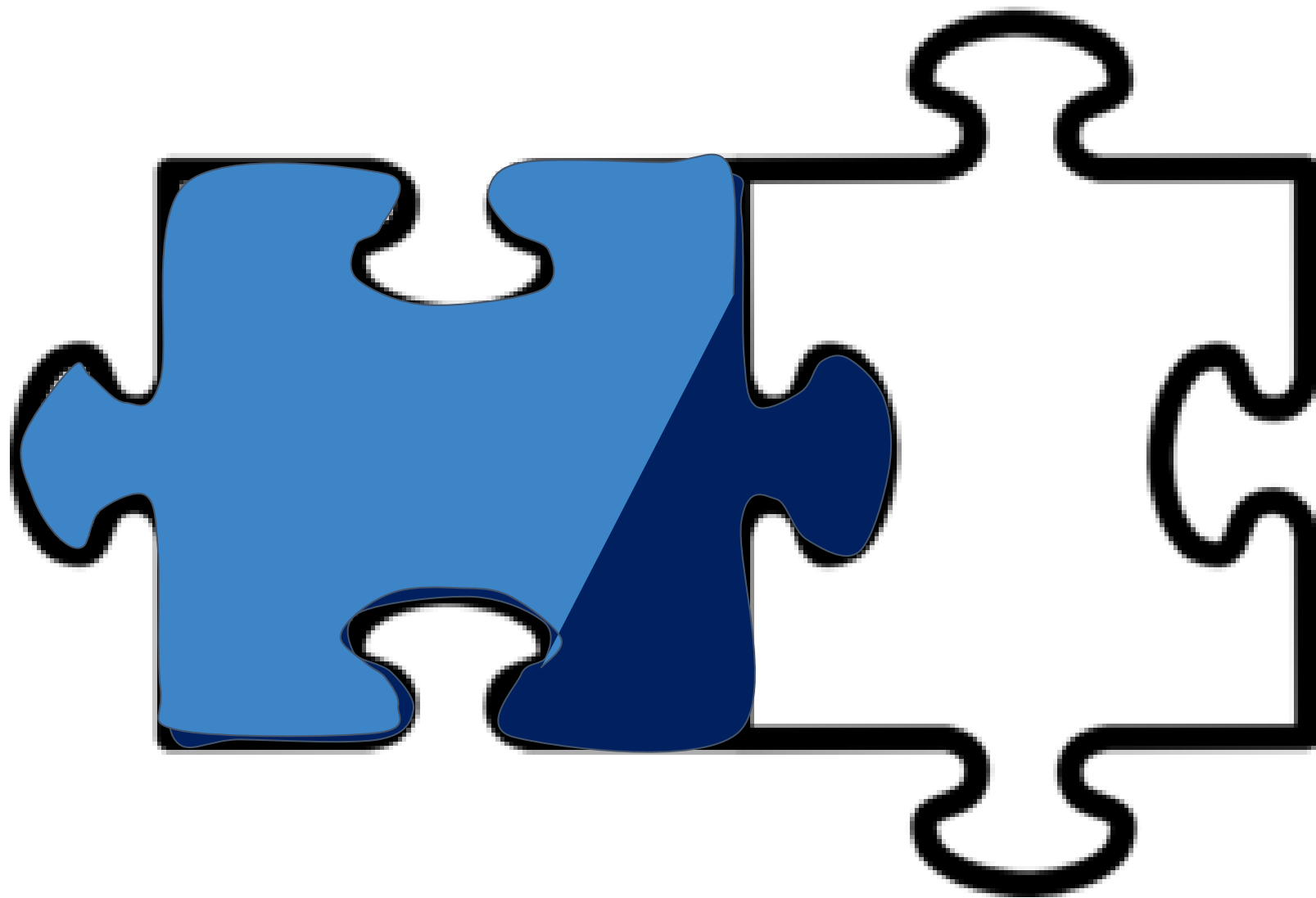




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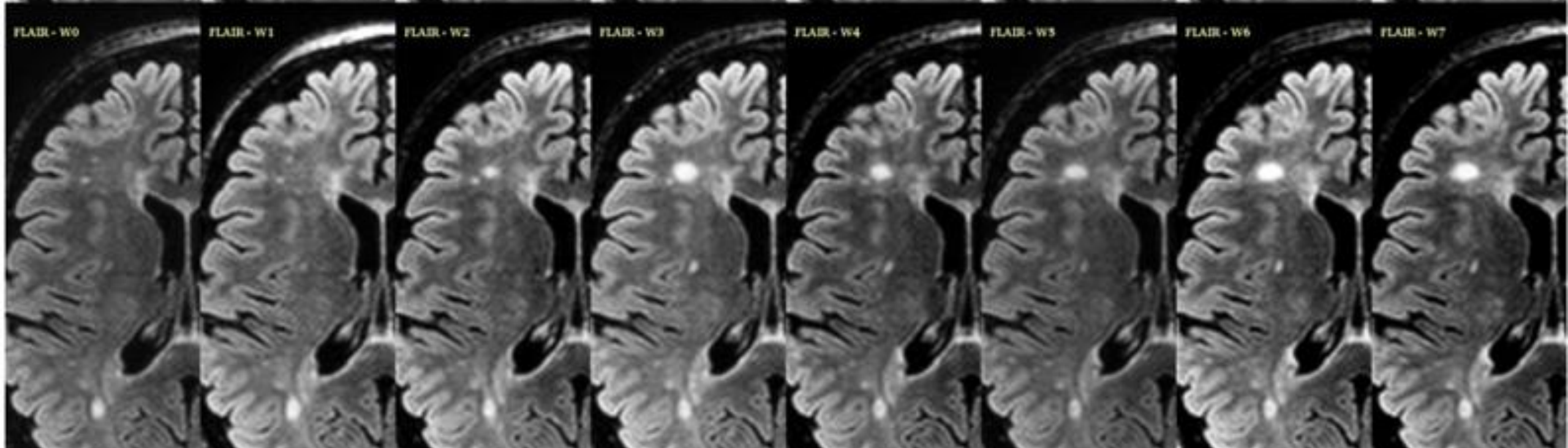
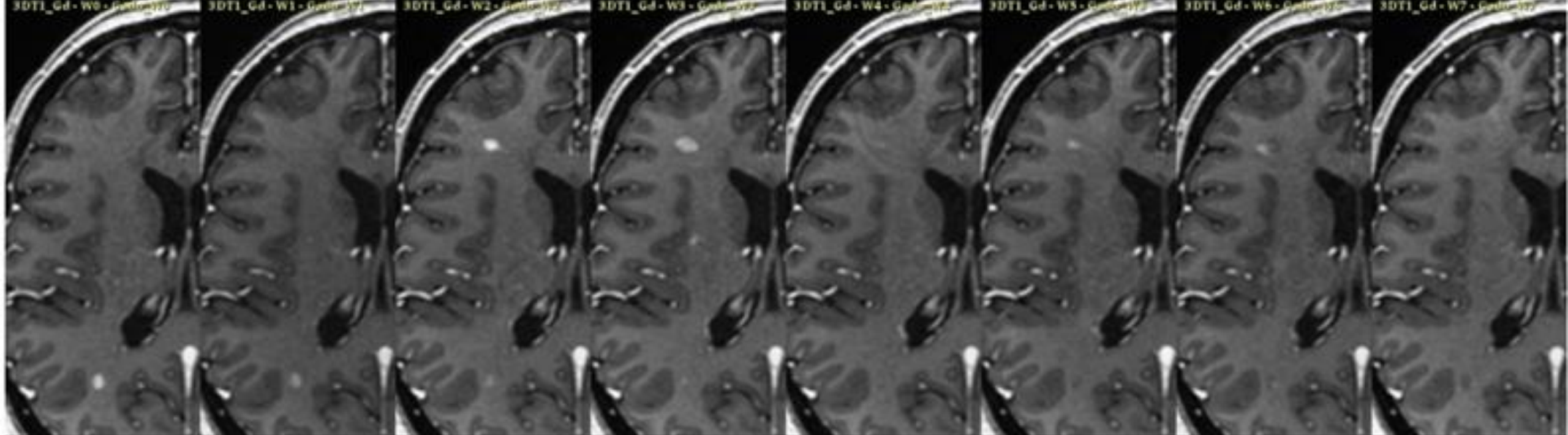






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noun: aha moment; plural noun: aha moments; noun: a-ha moment; plural noun: a-ha moments

1. a moment of sudden insight or discovery.

2. "it was one of those aha moments, when you know you have to risk it all"





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Multiple Sclerosis: Twenty Years on Low Fat Diet

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VIEWPOINT

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Materials and Methods

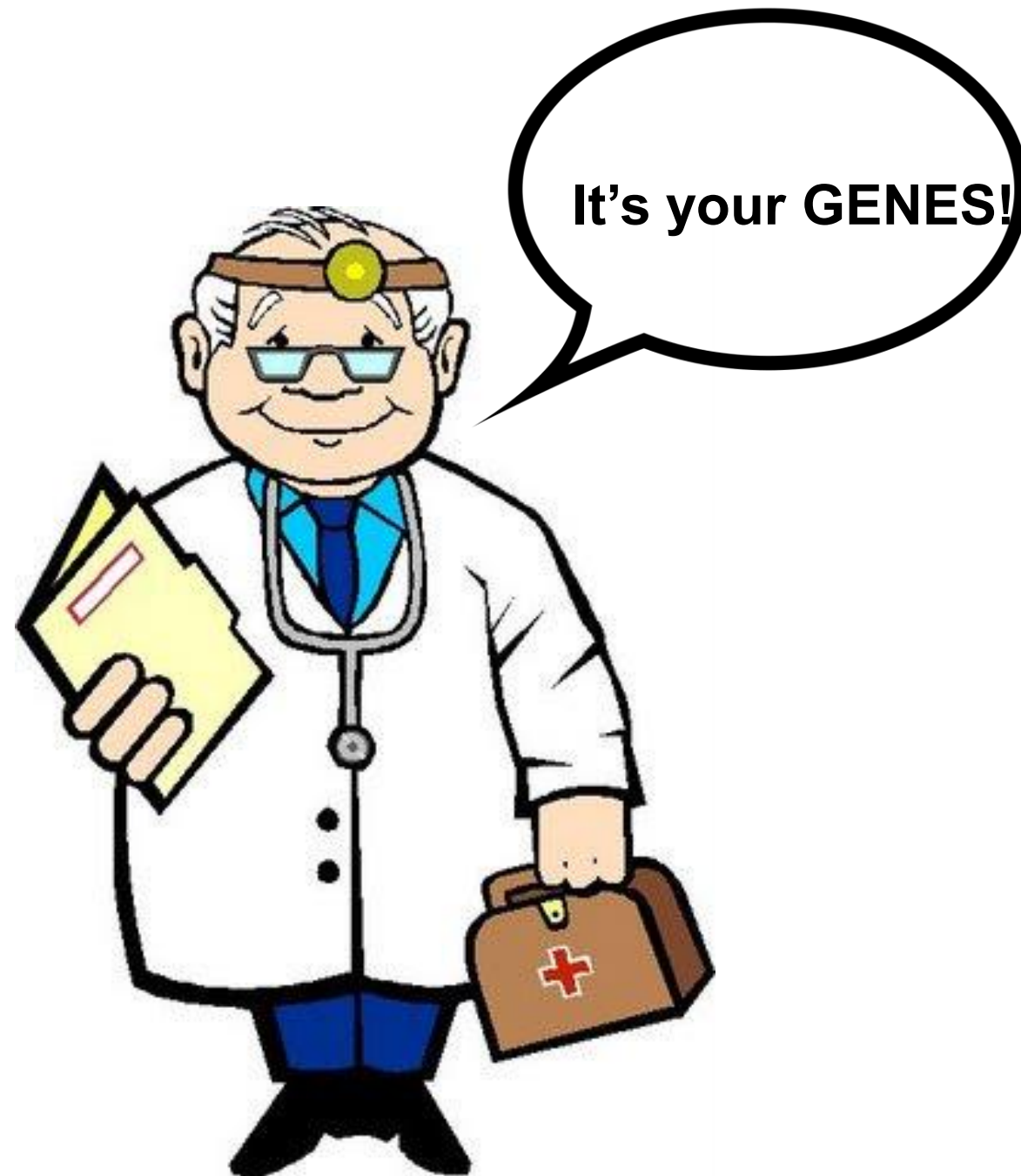
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Abstract

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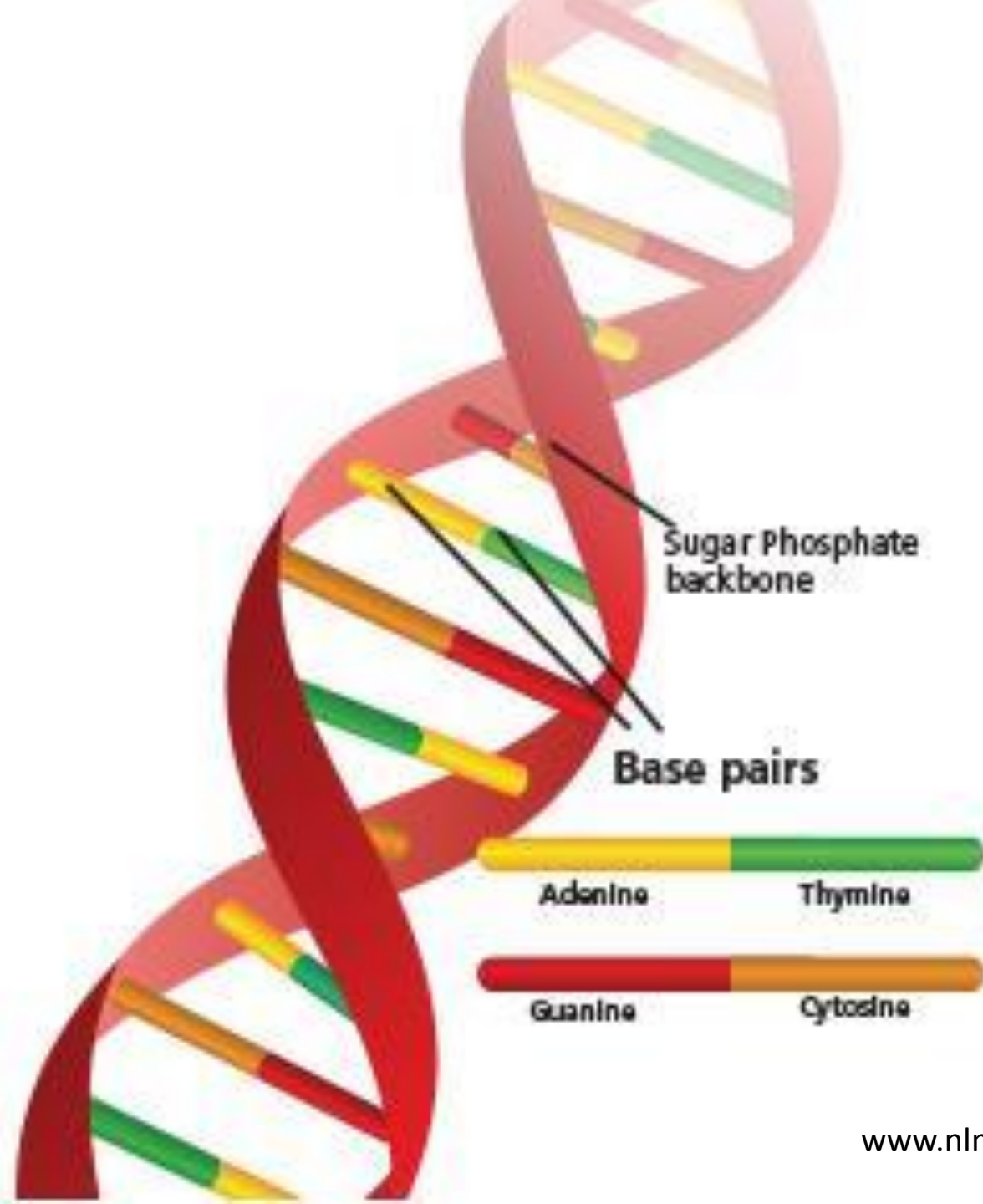
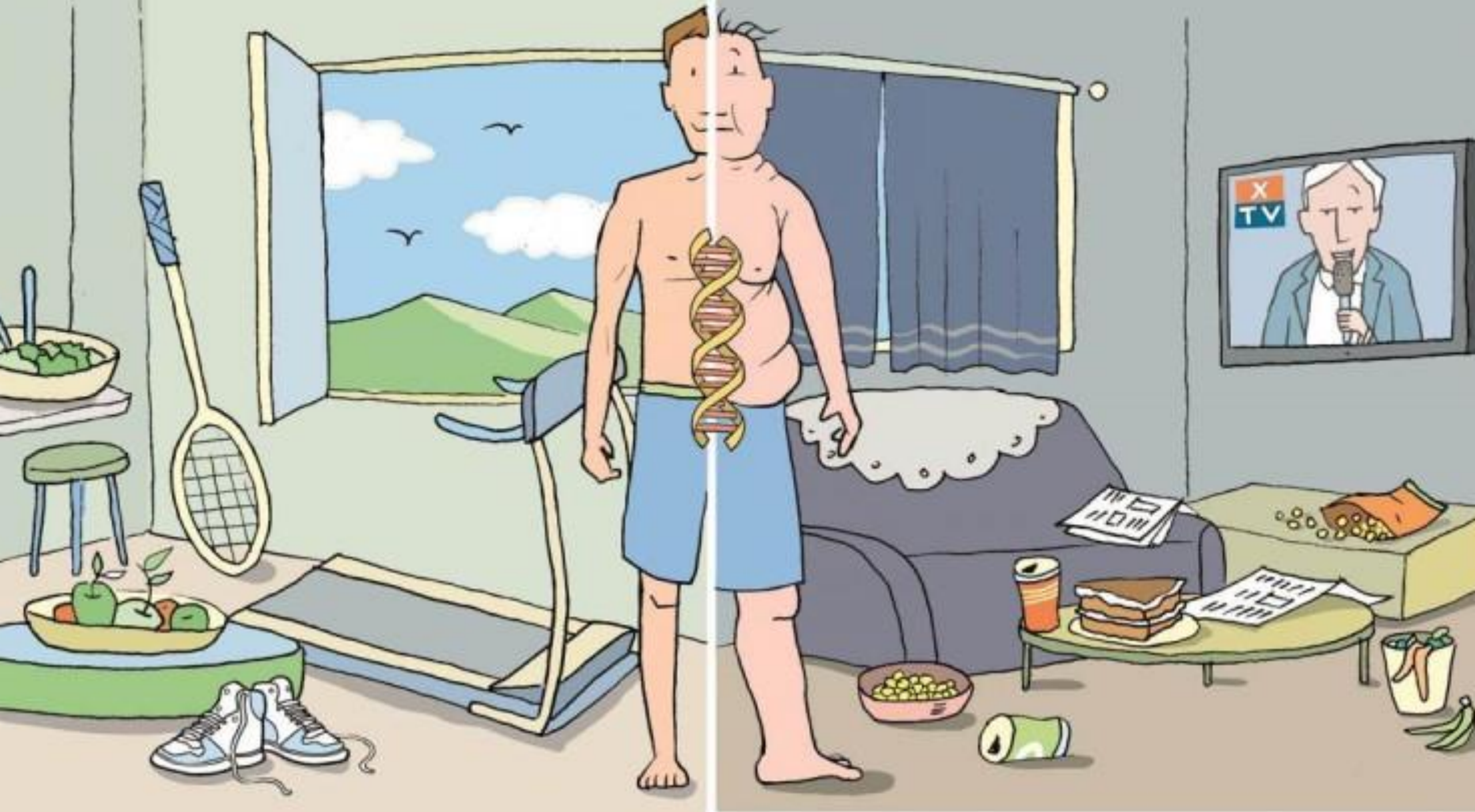


Table 2 Autoimmune diseases, showing female:male ratios of patients and concordance rates in monozygotic (MZ) twins

Disease	Target	Female:male ratio	Concordance in MZ twins
Multiple sclerosis	Central nervous system myelin	1.9–4.3:1 ^{140,235,236}	14%–33% ^{81,237–240}
Type 1 diabetes mellitus	Beta-islet cells of the pancreas	0.5–0.8:1 ^{241,242}	13%–60% ^{82,243–245} affected by genotype; ²⁴⁴ latitude ²⁴⁵
Systemic lupus erythematosus	Cell nucleus	8.7–13.1:1 ²⁴⁶	11%–33% ^{85,247–249}
Rheumatoid arthritis	Joints	2.7:1 ²⁵⁰	12%–15% ^{251–253}
Graves' disease	Thyroid	3.5:1 ²⁵⁴	17%–35% ^{255,256}
Primary biliary cirrhosis	Liver	9:1 ²⁵⁷	63% ²⁵⁸
Psoriasis	Skin	0.8–1.1:1 ^{242,259}	35%–70% ^{260,261}
Myasthenia gravis	Acetylcholine receptors	2:1 ²⁶²	35% ²⁶³
Ankylosing spondylitis	Joints	1:3 ²⁶⁴	40%–80% ²⁶⁵



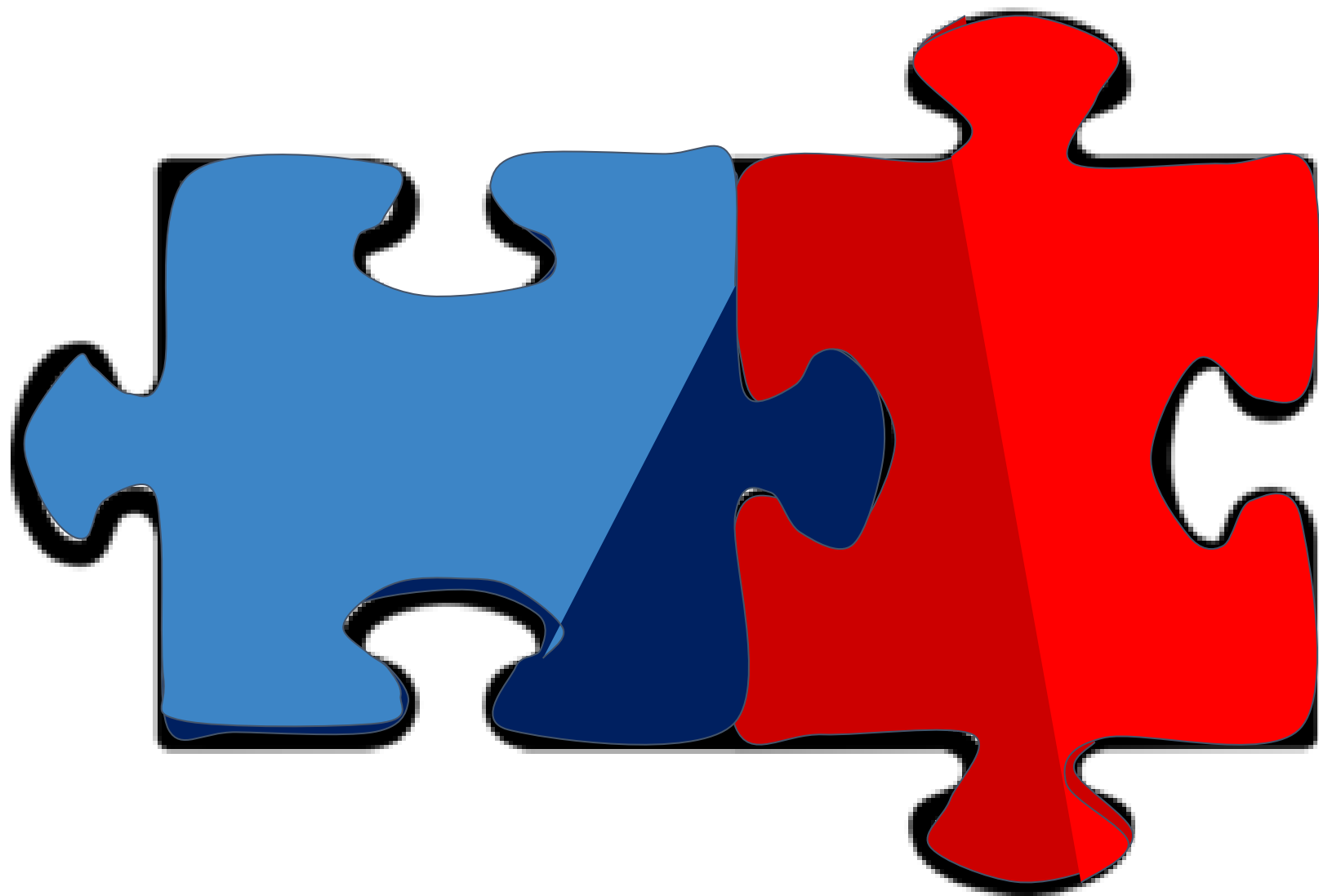


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10 Leading Causes of Death United States – 2016

- 1. Heart disease**
- 2. Cancer**
- 3. Chronic lower respiratory diseases**
- 4. Accidents**
- 5. Stroke**
- 6. Alzheimer's disease**
- 7. Diabetes**
- 8. Influenza and pneumonia**
- 9. Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis**
- 10. Intentional self-harm (suicide)**

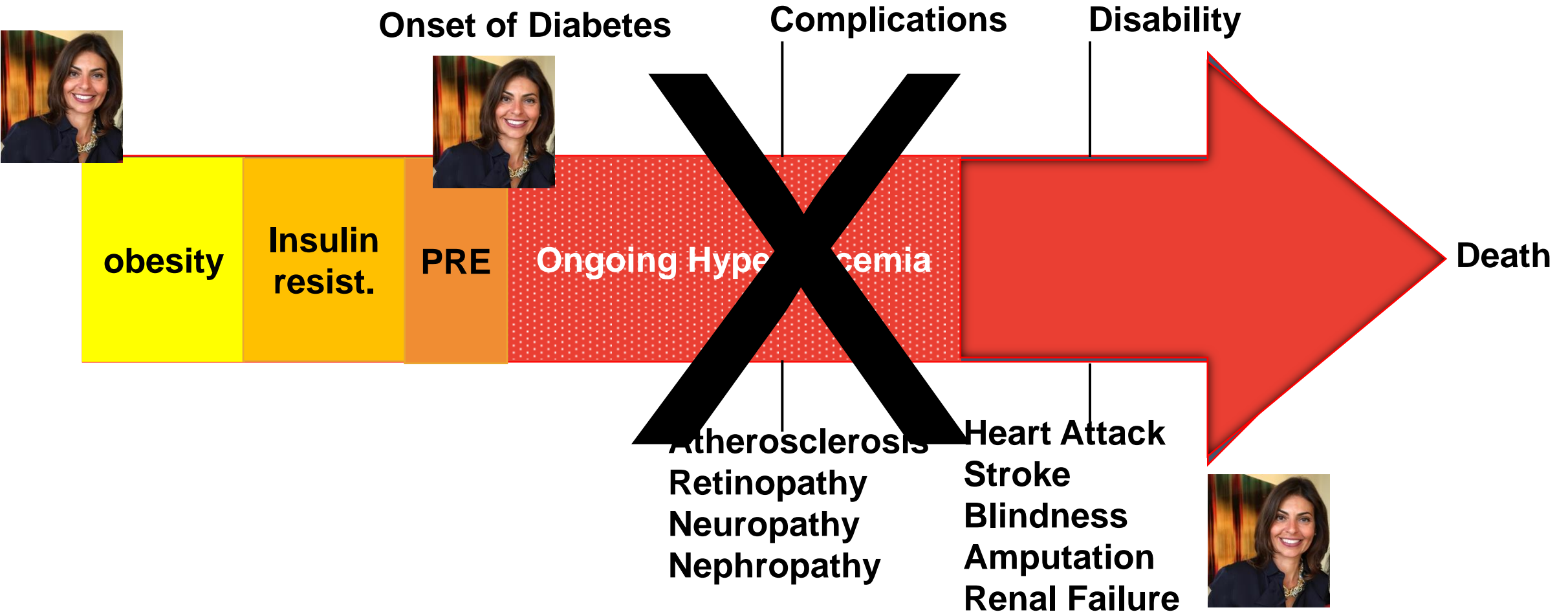








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REDUCTION IN THE INCIDENCE OF TYPE 2 DIABETES WITH LIFESTYLE INTERVENTION OR METFORMIN

DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM RESEARCH GROUP*

ABSTRACT

Background Type 2 diabetes affects approximately 8 percent of adults in the United States. Some risk factors — elevated plasma glucose concentrations in the fasting state and after an oral glucose load, overweight, and a sedentary lifestyle — are potentially reversible. We hypothesized that modifying these factors with a lifestyle-intervention program or the administration of metformin would prevent or delay the development of diabetes.

Methods We randomly assigned 3234 nondiabetic persons with elevated fasting and post-load plasma glucose concentrations to placebo, metformin (850 mg twice daily), or a lifestyle-modification program with the goals of at least a 7 percent weight loss and at least 150 minutes of physical activity per week.

TYPE 2 diabetes mellitus, formerly called non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus, is a serious, costly disease affecting approximately 8 percent of adults in the United States.¹ Treatment prevents some of its devastating complications^{2,3} but does not usually restore normoglycemia or eliminate all the adverse consequences. The diagnosis is often delayed until complications are present.⁴ Since current methods of treating diabetes remain inadequate, prevention is preferable. The hypothesis that type 2 diabetes is preventable^{5,6} is supported by observational studies and two clinical trials of diet, exercise, or both in persons at high risk for the disease^{7,8} but not by studies of drugs used to treat diabetes.⁵

Diabetes Prevention Program

~3200 Pre-diabetics

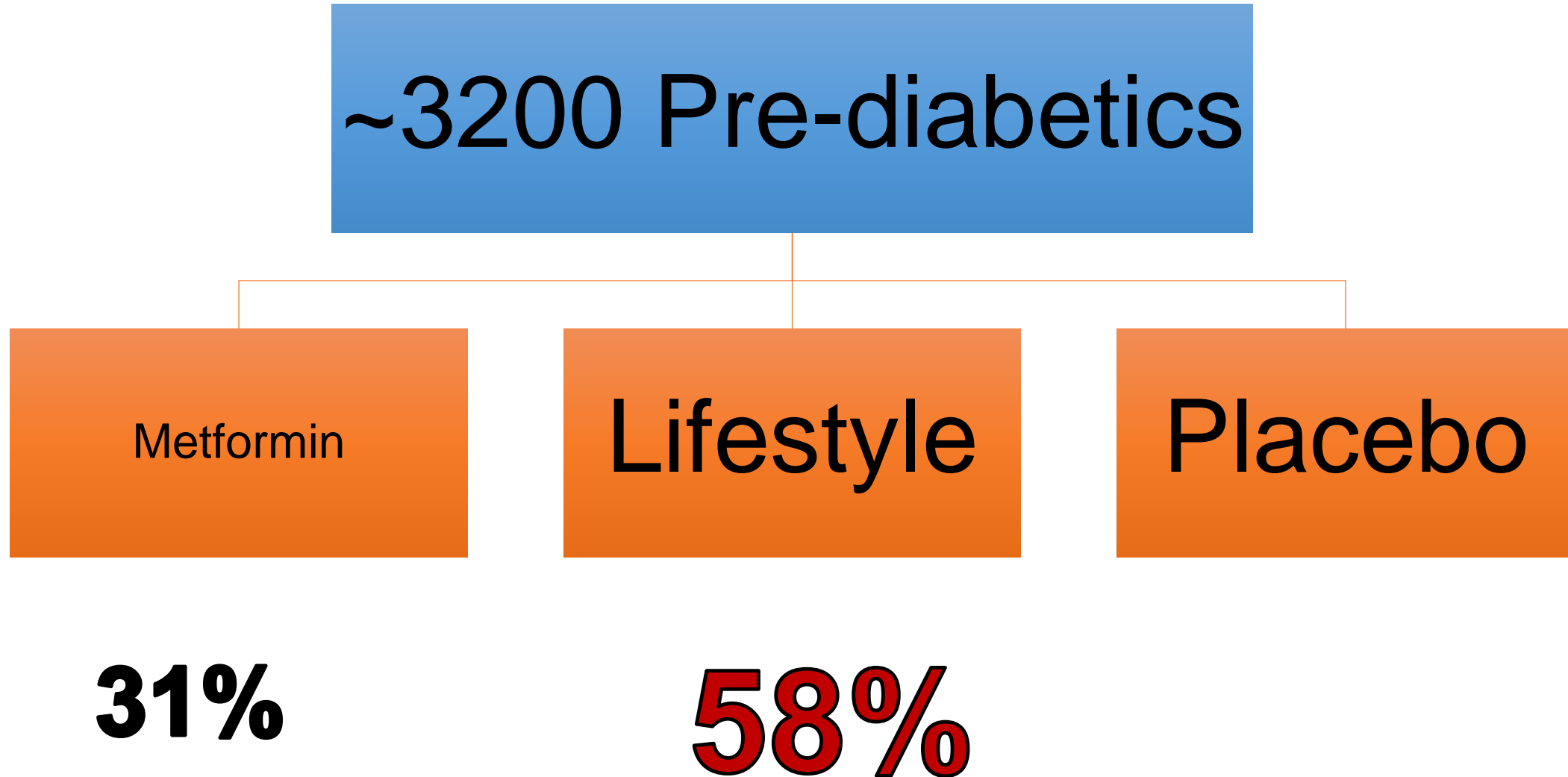
Metformin

31%

Lifestyle

58%

Placebo



- 1. Eat a healthy diet**
- 2. No smoking**
- 3. Exercise 3.5 hours/week**
- 4. Maintain a healthy weight**

Overall 80% Reduction in Chronic Diseases

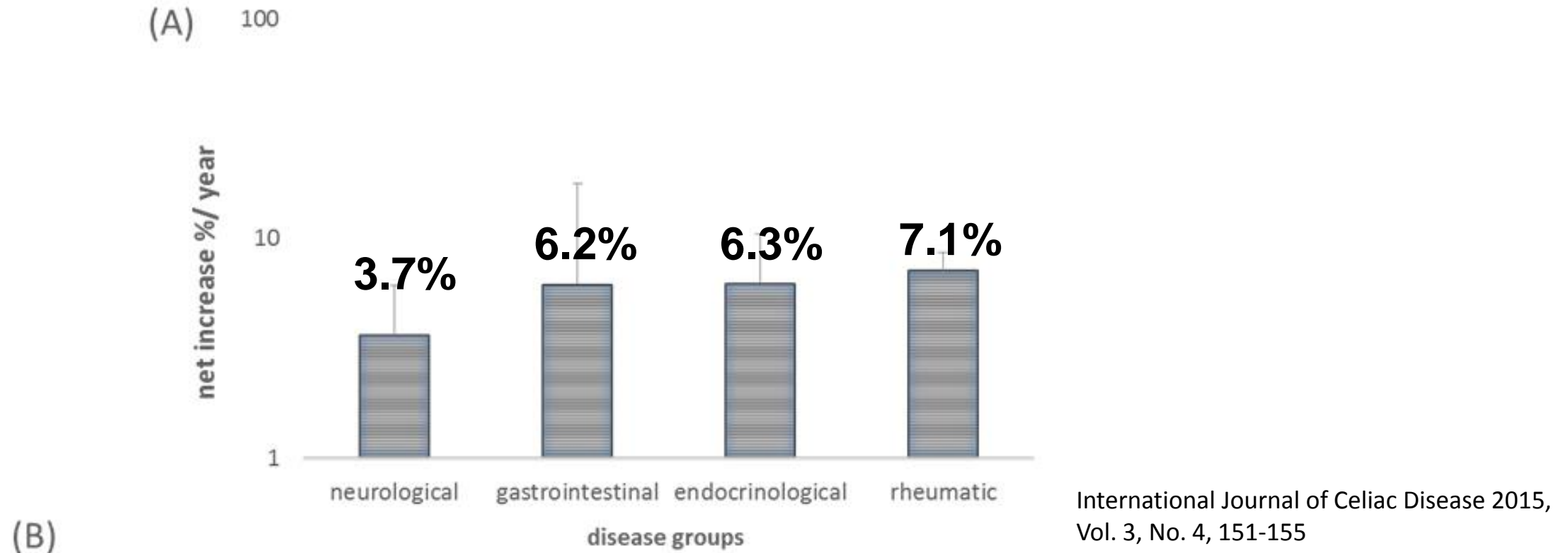
93% of diabetes, 81% of heart attacks, 50% of strokes, and 36% of cancers would be prevented

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4 out of 5
heart attacks prevented

Attack of the Autoimmune Diseases

The World Incidence and Prevalence of Autoimmune Diseases is Increasing

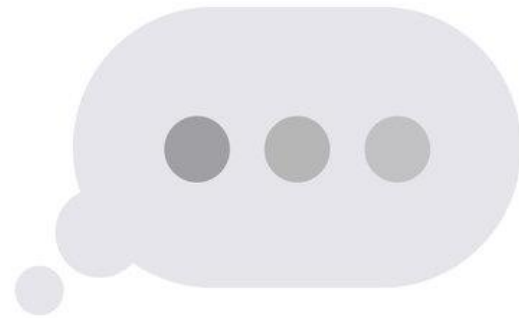


disease kind	statistical significance (p; old vs. new)	Mean net increase % /year	countries	diseases
neurological	<0.0001	3.7 ±2.5	Finland, Denmark, Norway, Italy, Spain	MS, Myasthenia Gravis
gastrointestinal	<0.0001	6.2 ±11.5	Denmark, Canada, Sweden, USA, Finland, Israel, Netherlands, UK, Czech, Scotland, Spain, Estonia, New Zealand	Autoimmune Hepatitis, IBD, Chron's, Celiac Disease
endocrinological	0.02	6.3 ±4.2	Brazil, Canada, Israel, Serbia, Europe	Autoimmune thyroiditis, IDDM
rheumatic	0.02	7.14 ± 1.5	Canada, UK	SARD, RA, SLE

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Role of “Western Diet” in Inflammatory Autoimmune Diseases

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Abstract Developed societies, although having successfully reduced the burden of infectious disease, constitute an environment where metabolic, cardiovascular, and autoimmune diseases thrive. Living in westernized countries has not fundamentally changed the genetic basis on which these diseases emerge, but has strong impact on lifestyle and pathogen exposure. In particular, nutritional patterns collectively termed the “Western diet”, including high-fat and cholesterol, high-protein, high-sugar, and excess salt intake, as well as frequent consumption of processed and ‘fast foods’, promote obesity, metabolic syndrome, and cardiovascular disease. These factors have also gained high interest as possible promoters of autoimmune diseases. Underlying metabolic and immunologic mechanisms are currently being intensively explored. This

review discusses the current knowledge relative to the association of “Western diet” with autoimmunity, and highlights the role of T cells as central players linking dietary influences to autoimmune pathology.

Keywords Western diet · Autoimmune diseases · Autoimmunity · Obesity · Sodium · Inflammatory · Gut microbiome · T cell regulation

Introduction

Autoimmune diseases such as multiple sclerosis (MS), rheumatoid arthritis (RA), inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), type

U.S. FOOD CONSUMPTION AS A % OF CALORIES

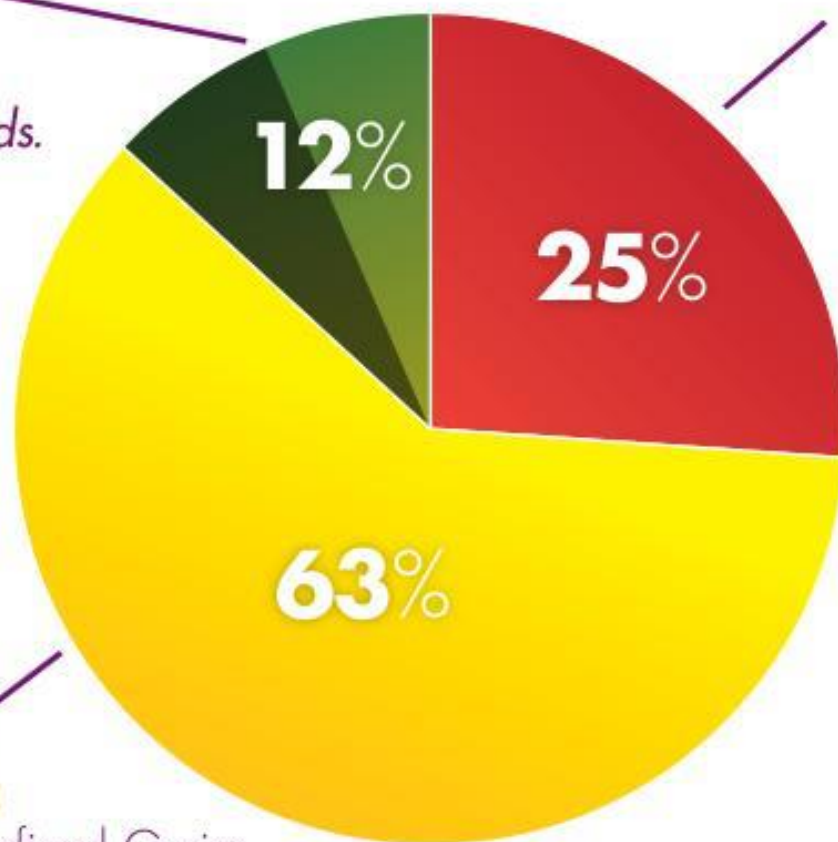
PLANT FOOD:

Vegetables, Fruits, Legumes,
Nuts & Seeds, Whole Grains
Fiber is only found in plant foods.

NOTE: Up to half of this category may be processed, for example almonds in candy bars, apples in apple pies or spinach in frozen spinach soufflé, and of course these would not be healthy choices. The focus should be on whole unprocessed vegetables, fruits, legumes, nuts and seeds and whole grains.

PROCESSED FOOD:

Added Fats & Oils, Sugars, Refined Grains



ANIMAL FOOD:

Meat, Dairy, Eggs, Fish, Seafood
Cholesterol is only found in animal foods. Animal foods are the **PRIMARY** source of saturated fat.

GUIDE TO HEALTHY EATING:

Much easier to understand than the USDA Food Pyramid, with no food industry influence.

Eat **LESS** from the animal and processed food groups and **MORE** whole foods from the plant food group.

In general, food from the animal and processed food group contribute to disease, while **WHOLE** foods from the plant group contribute to good health.



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**The role of diet on intestinal microbiota metabolism:
Downstream impacts on host immune function and health, and
therapeutic implications**



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Gut bacteria from multiple sclerosis patients modulate human T cells and exacerbate symptoms in mouse models

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Part 1. 71 MS patients



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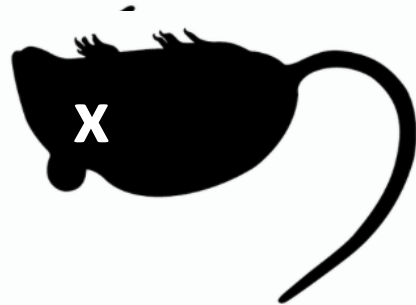
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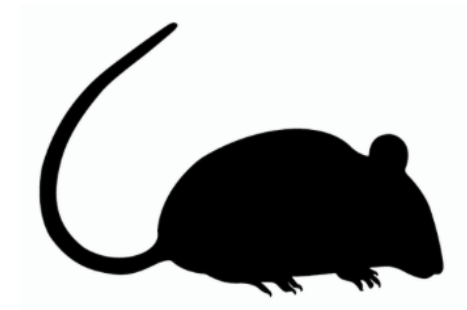
Parabacteroides

Anti-inflammatory

Part 2. TRANSPLANT INTO GERM FREE EAE MICE



Severe Disease Activity



Immunological and Clinical Effect of Diet Modulation of the Gut Microbiome in Multiple Sclerosis Patients: A Pilot Study

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Pathogenesis of autoimmune disorders, including multiple sclerosis (MS), has been linked to an alteration of the resident microbial commensal community and of the interplay between the microbiota and the immune system. Dietary components such as fiber, acting on microbiota composition, could, in principle, result in immune modulation and, thus, could be used to obtain beneficial outcomes for patients. We verified this hypothesis in a pilot study involving two groups of clinically similar relapsing-remitting (RR) MS patients treated with different diets. The study was designed to evaluate the effect of a high-fiber diet (HFD) on the gut microbiome and on the immune system. The HFD group showed a significant increase in the abundance of *Prevotella* and *Lachnospiraceae* and a significant decrease in the abundance of *Proteobacteria* and *Actinobacteria*. The HFD group also showed a significant increase in the abundance of *IL17A* and *IL22* and a significant decrease in the abundance of *IL10* and *IL13*. These results suggest that a high-fiber diet may have a beneficial effect on the gut microbiome and on the immune system in RR MS patients.

PILOT STUDY: MILAN ITALY, 20 MS PATIENTS

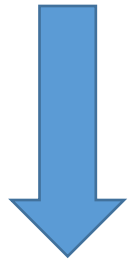
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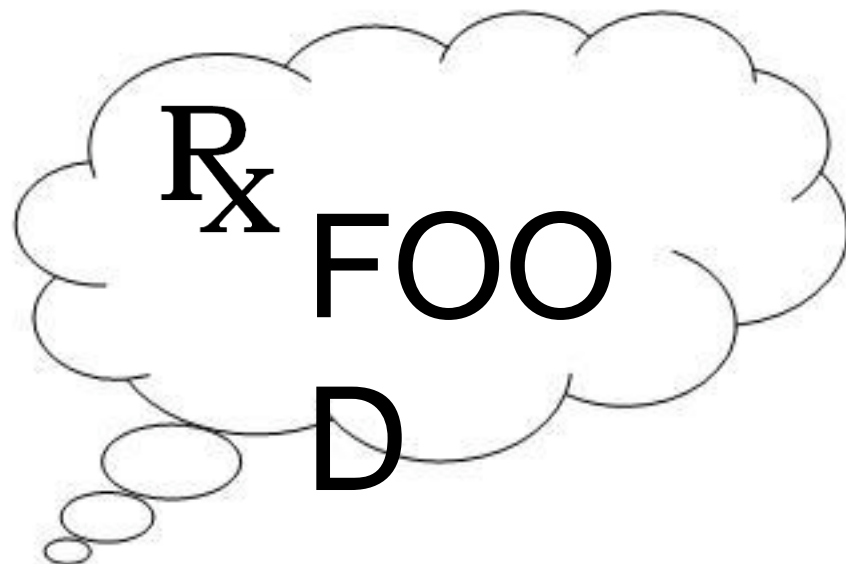
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↑ **Lachnospiraceae**



BUTYRATE = Anti-inflammatory





But the reality is...

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medical schools meets federal requirements
for nutrition education.⁶

Did you know eating a healthy diet can Prevent diseases!

But what is a healthy diet?



Just ask your doctor!



Right of course, He's the expert!!





Physicians are considered by the public to be the best, **most credible source** of information about nutrition.⁵

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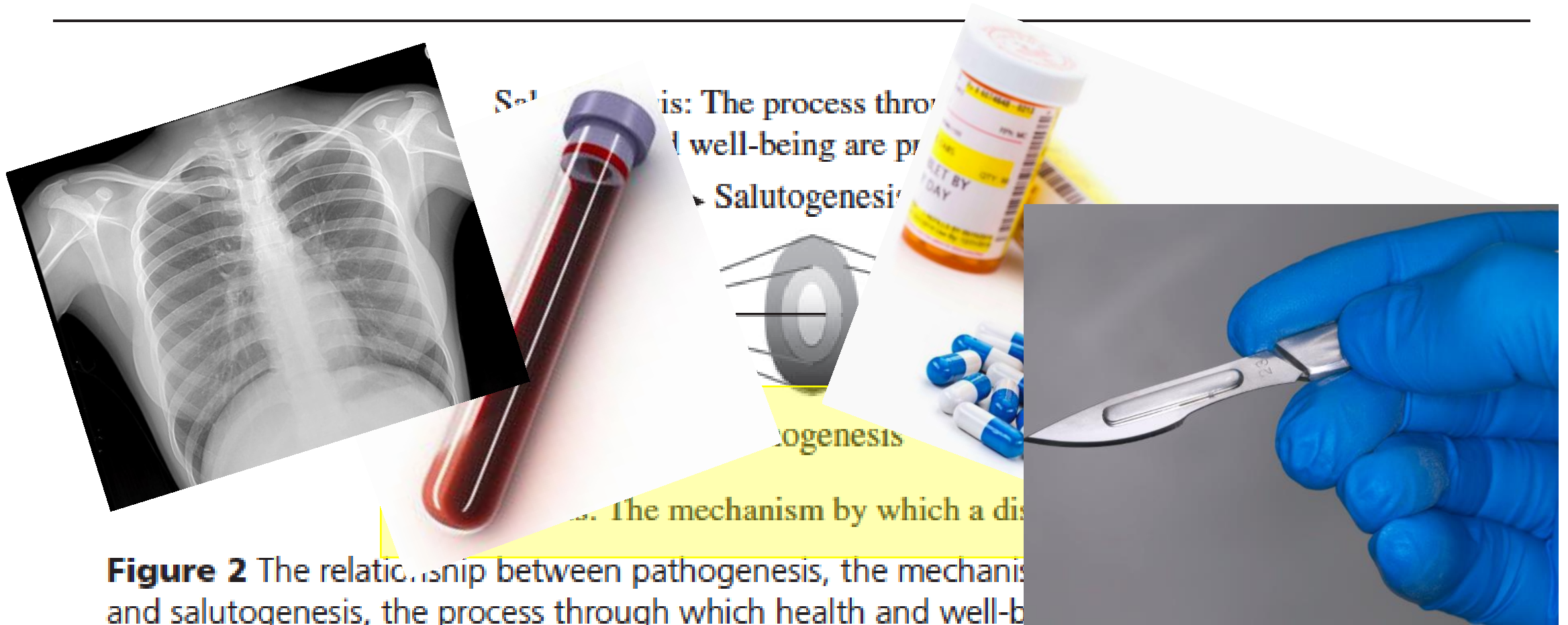


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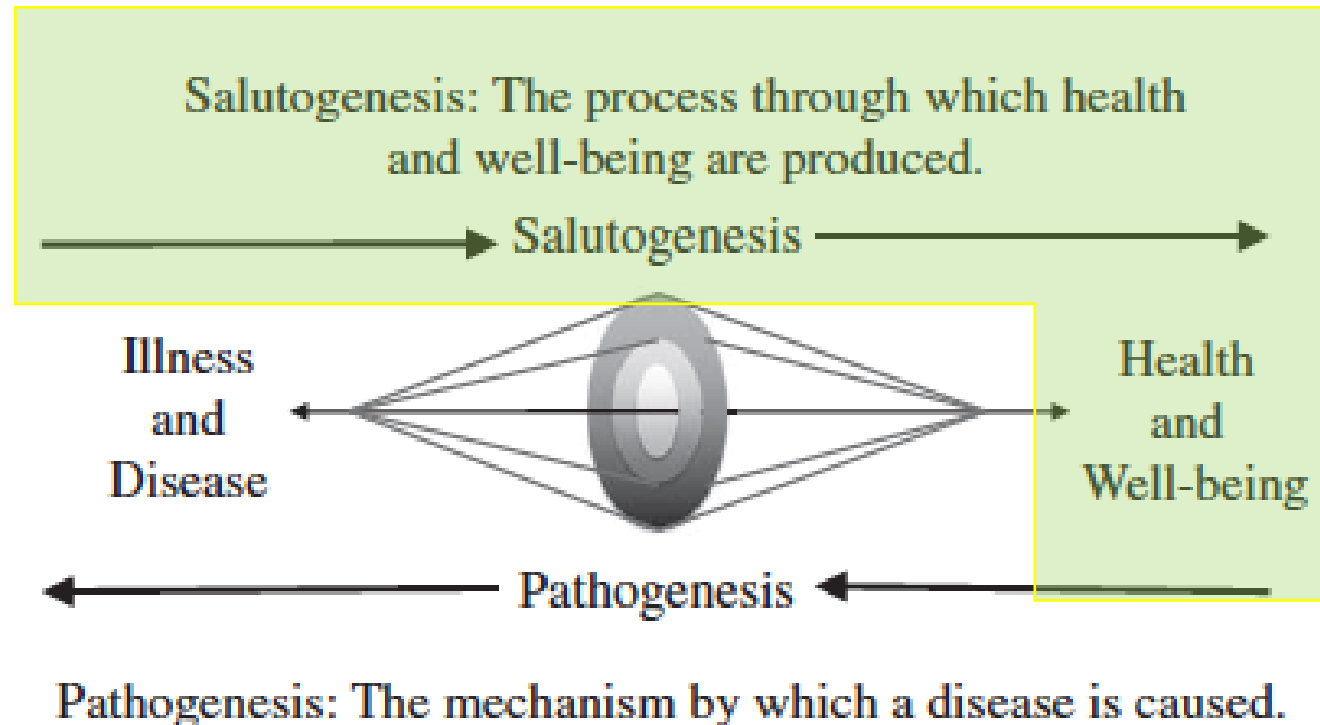


Figure 2 The relationship between pathogenesis, the mechanism by which a disease is caused, and salutogenesis, the process through which health and well-being are produced. Credit: Wayne B. Jonas, MD, and Samueli Institute (www.SamueliInstitute.org). Reproduced with permission.

Salutogenesis medical education model

“Future curricula would include modules on nutrition, exercise, sleep, mindfulness, self care, and developing cutting edge skills to support expertise in counseling patients on behavioral change.”

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Hippocratic Oath - Modern Version

I swear to fulfill, to the best of my ability and judgment, this covenant:

I will respect the hard-won scientific gains of those physicians in whose steps I walk, and gladly share such knowledge as is mine with those who are to follow.

I will apply, for the benefit of the sick, all measures [that] are required, avoiding those twin traps of overtreatment and therapeutic nihilism.

I will remember that there is art to medicine as well as science, and that warmth, sympathy, and

**I will prevent disease whenever I can,
for prevention is preferable to cure.**

an attitude. But it may also be within my power to take a life, and awesome responsibility must be faced with great humbleness and awareness of my own frailty. Above all, I must not play at God.

I will remember that I do not treat a fever chart, a cancerous growth, but a sick human being, whose illness may affect the person's family and economic stability. My responsibility includes these related problems, if I am to care adequately for the sick.

I will prevent disease whenever I can, for prevention is preferable to cure.

I will remember that I remain a member of society, with special obligations to all my fellow human beings, those sound of mind and body as well as the infirm.

If I do not violate this oath, may I enjoy life and art, respected while I live and remembered with affection thereafter. May I always act so as to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I long experience the joy of healing those who seek my help.

“Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, DO BETTER.”

- Maya Angelou



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