# THE INFLUENCE OF THYROID HORMONE LEVELS ON RESTING

### **METABOLIC RATE**

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#### Introduction

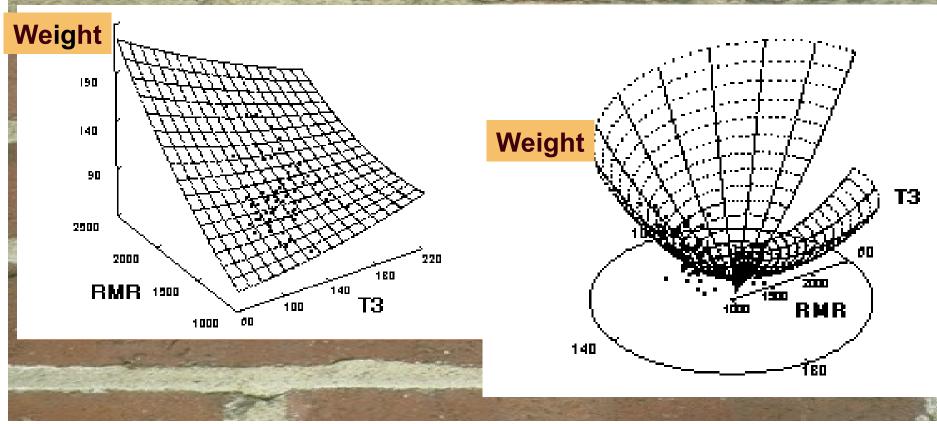
Most of the overweight persons tend to ascribe their obesity to metabolic disturbances and mainly to thyroid dysfunction. In the majority of cases hypothyroidism cannot be proved, at least by the contemporary diagnostic approaches.

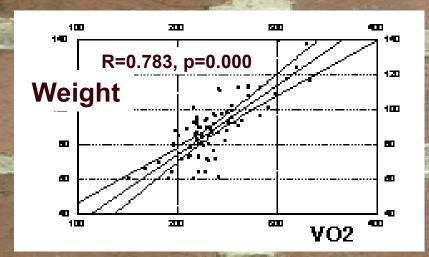
Aim of this study is to investigate if serum Thyroid hormone levels, in the normal range, can affect RMR in female individuals.

#### **Subjects & Methods**

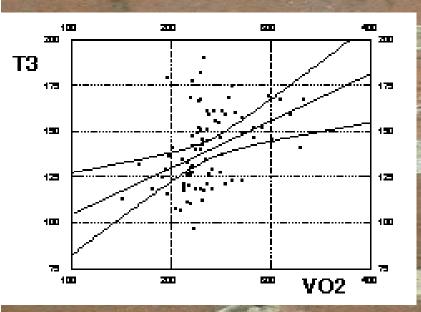
80 non-diabetic women Age 13-74 years old Body weight 59 -139 kg **Body mass index (BMI) 22.66-51.06** Determinations: TT4, TT3 and TSH at 0' and 30' after 200 µg TRH I.V. **RMR-Indirect calorimetry (DELTATRAC II)** Free fat mass (FFM) by electrical impedance.

# TT4= 8.56±1.4 μg/dl Results TT3= 139.9±20.7 ng/dl TSH= 2.30±1.07 U/ml ΔTSH= 13.88±4.87 U/ml





R=0.410, p=0.000

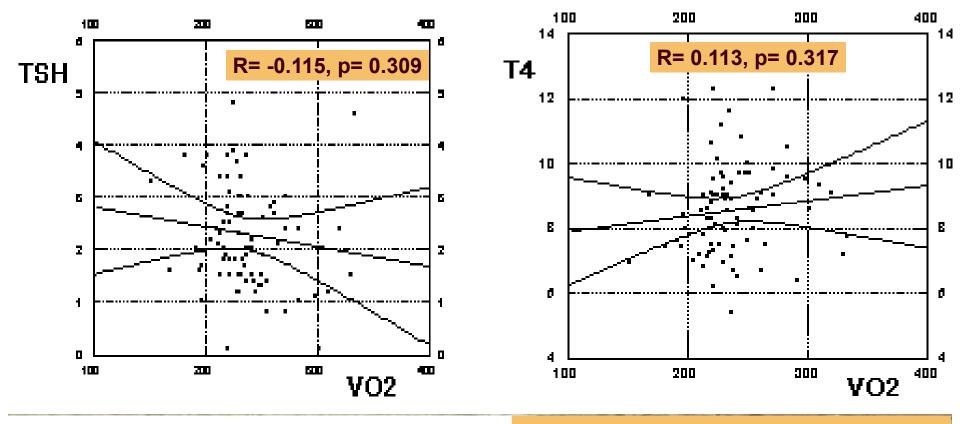


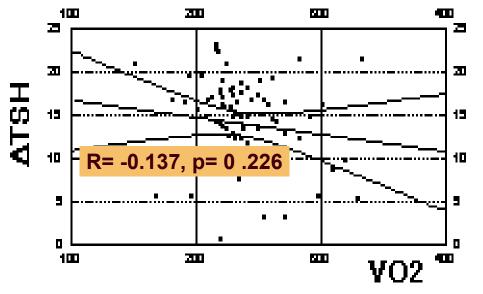
Results R= -0.112 p=0.322 188 EII age 51 41 41 28 10 L 100

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## Regression

DEP VAR: RMR, N: 80 MULTIPLE R: 0.844, SQUARED MULTIPLE R: 0.712,

ADJUSTED SQUARED MULTIPLE R: 0.688, SEE: 128.729

VARIABLE	COEF.	STD ERRC	R STD	COEF TO	LER.	ТР
CONSTANT	509.059	145.67	8 0.00	0 3.494	0.001	
WEIGHT	10.543	0.916	0.766	0.892	11.506	0.000
AGE	-2.969	1.054	-0.186	0.907	-2.818	0.006
T4	-9.924	12.181	-0.060	0.718	-0.815	0.418
- <u>T3</u>	2.718	0.825	0.244	0.720	3.294	0.002
TSH	9.874	15.498	0.046	0.755	0.637	0.526
<b>ATSH</b>	-1.438	3.424	-0.030	0.753	-0.420	0.676

Conclusion In euthyroid women deviations of thyroid hormones levels in the acceptable normal range influence significantly RMR. It is calculated that 1 ng/dl TT3, affect RMR by 2.7 kcal/24h.