



# **CETP and IRS1 Genetic Variation Modulates Effects of Weight-loss Diets on Lipid Profile in Two Independent 2-Year Diet Intervention Studies: The Pounds Lost and DIRECT Trails**

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# Background

- Clear association between overweight and risk for IHD and diabetes
- Weight reduction diets improve glucose and lipid profiles



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## Weight Loss with a Low-Carbohydrate, Mediterranean, or Low-Fat Diet

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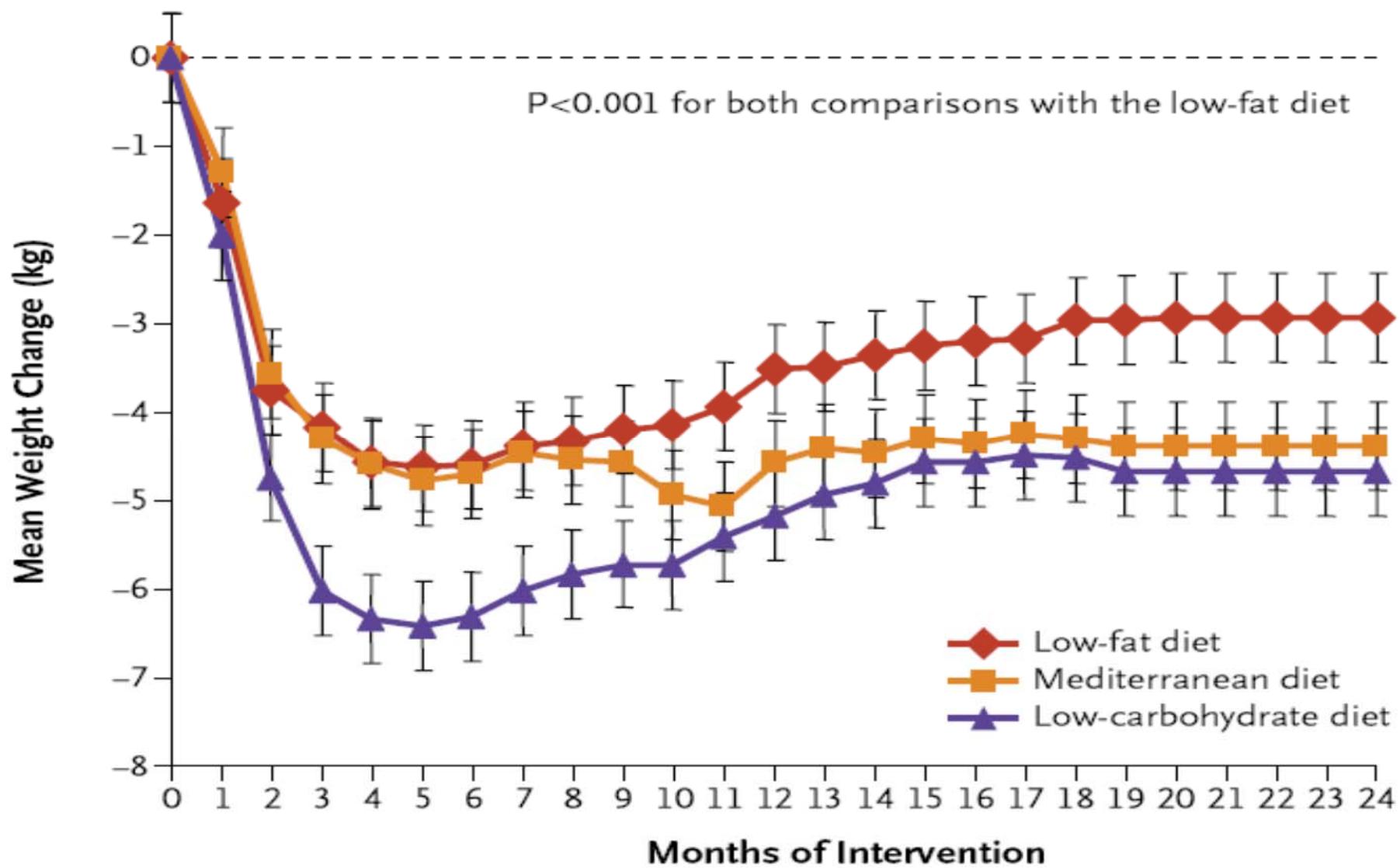
- **Moderately obese; BMI=31kg/m<sup>2</sup>**
- **Age=52 yrs**
- **n=322; 86% men**
- **One phase**
- **Equal intensity**
- **Spouse support program**  
(Public Health Nutrition 2009)
- **Adherence : 95% after 1 yr; 85% after 2 yrs**
- **Significant actual differences between the dietary strategies during 2 years**

# Dietary intervention protocol

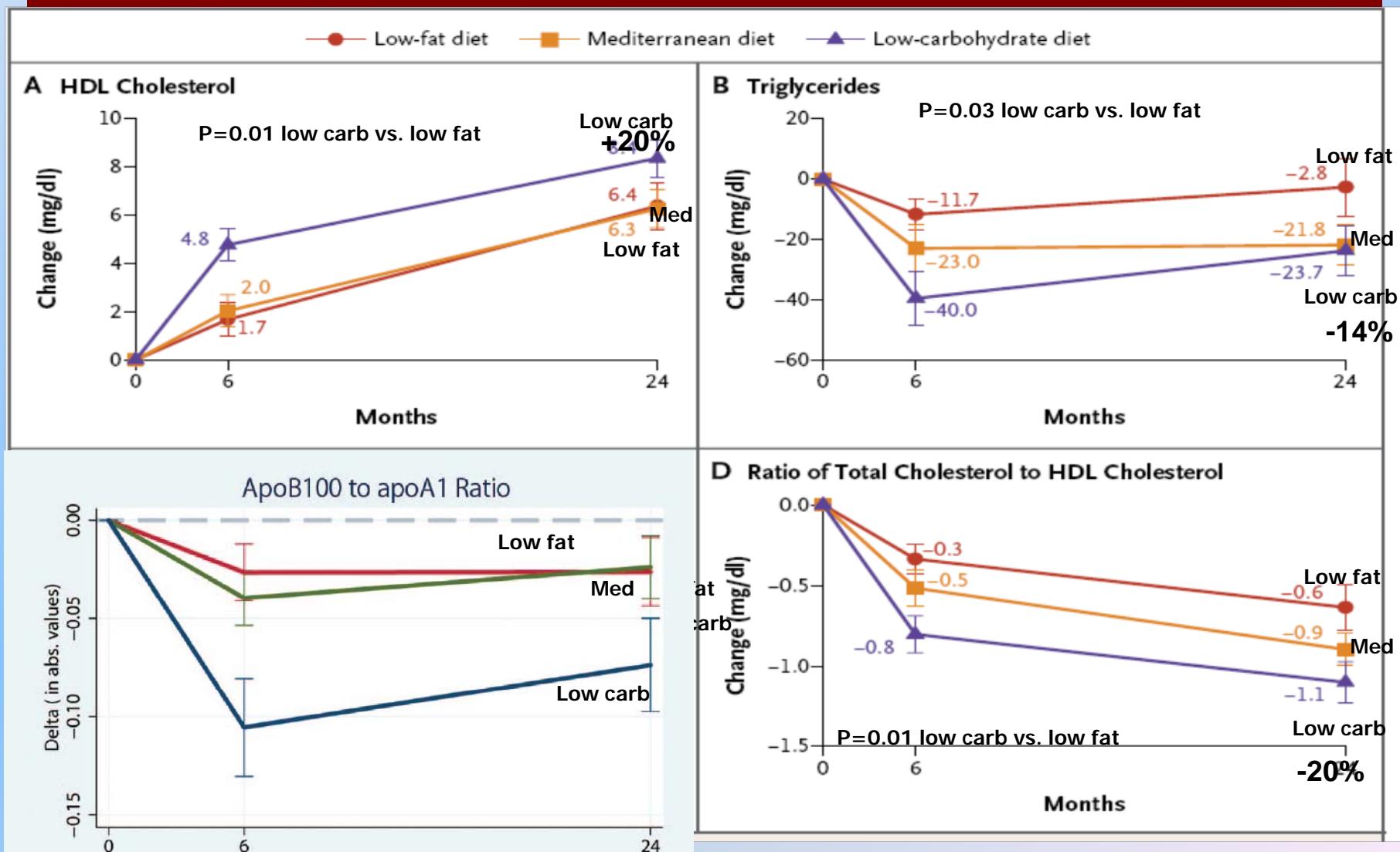
	Low-fat	MED	Low-carb
<b>Energy</b>	<b>restricted</b>	<b>restricted</b>	<b>liberal</b>
<b>Total fat</b>	$\leq 30\%$	$\leq 35\%$	<b>liberal</b>
<b>Saturated fat</b>	$\leq 10\%$	$\leq 10\%$	<b>not recommended (also for <i>trans</i>)</b>
<b>Dietary cholesterol</b>	$\leq 300 \text{ mg}$	$\leq 300 \text{ mg}$	<b>liberal</b>
<b>Carbohydrates</b>	<p>The Low-fat food guide pyramid shows a small base for carbohydrates (Bread, Cereal, Rice &amp; Pasta Group) and a very large top section for fats, oils, and sweets (Fats, Oils &amp; Sweets Use Sparingly). Other groups include Milk, Yogurt &amp; Cheese; Meat, Poultry, Fish, Dry Beans, Eggs &amp; Nuts; Vegetables; and Fruits.</p>	<p>The MED food guide pyramid shows a moderate base for carbohydrates and a middle section for fats, oils, and sweets. Other groups include Milk, Yogurt &amp; Cheese; Meat, Poultry, Fish, Dry Beans, Eggs &amp; Nuts; Vegetables; and Fruits.</p>	<b>Restricted</b> $\leq 20\text{gr}$ in induction phases Gradually added to maintain achieved weight loss
<b>Specific foods added</b>	<p><b>30-45gr virgin olive oil/day, 3-7 nuts/day, 2 fish /wk</b></p>		<p>The Low-carb food guide pyramid shows a very small base for carbohydrates and a large top section for fats, oils, and sweets. Other groups include Meat, Poultry, Fish, Dry Beans, Eggs &amp; Nuts; Vegetables; and Fruits.</p>

- ⌘ No specific recommendations for alcohol and vitamin supplements
- ⌘ Standard protocol messages (e.g physical activity ) and Power-Point slides program

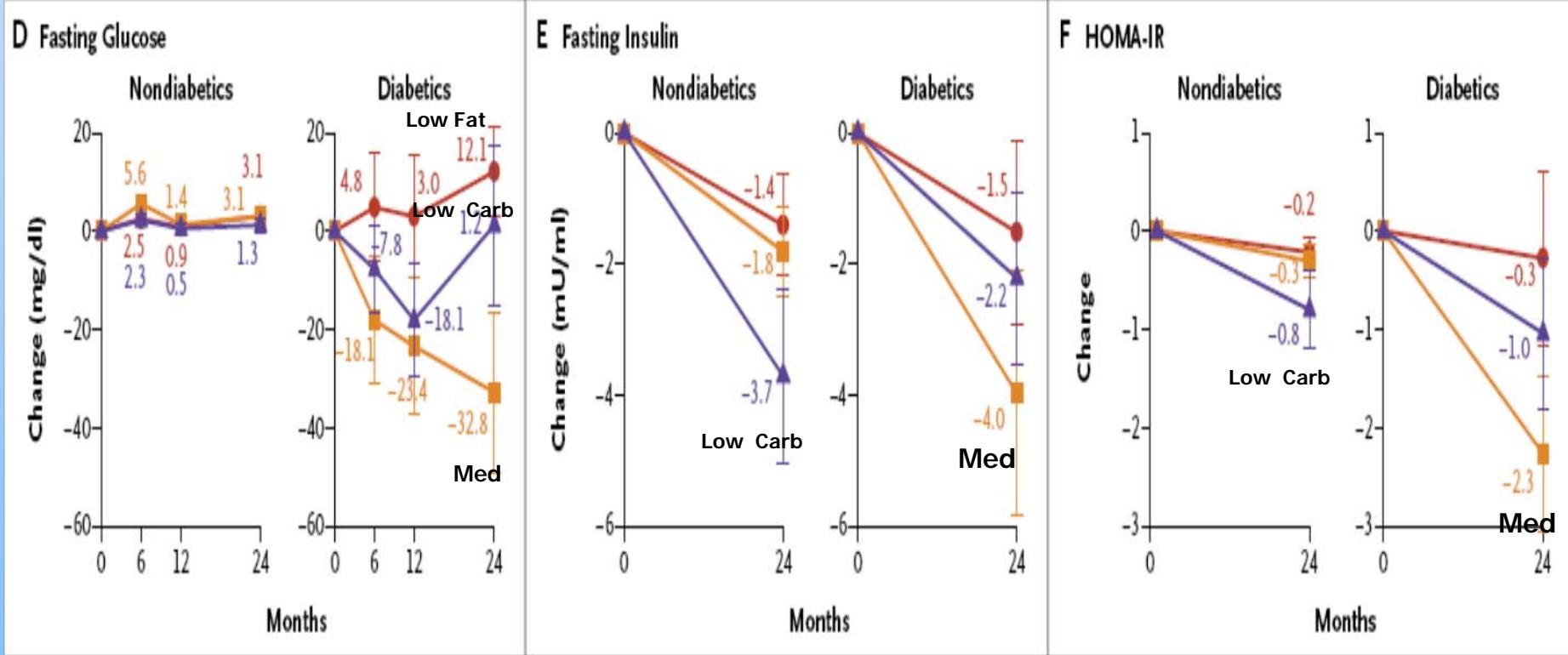
# The Dietary Intervention Randomized Controlled Trial- DIRECT



# Low carb and Med diets → favorable in lipid profile

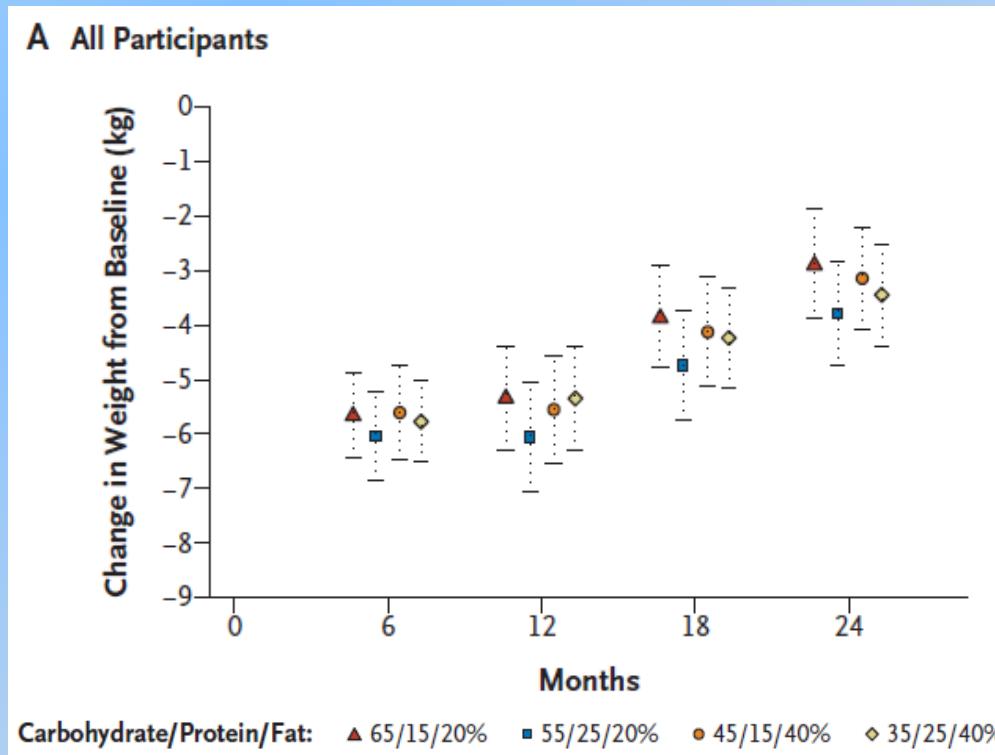


# favorable glycemic control in type 2 diabetes in non low fat diets

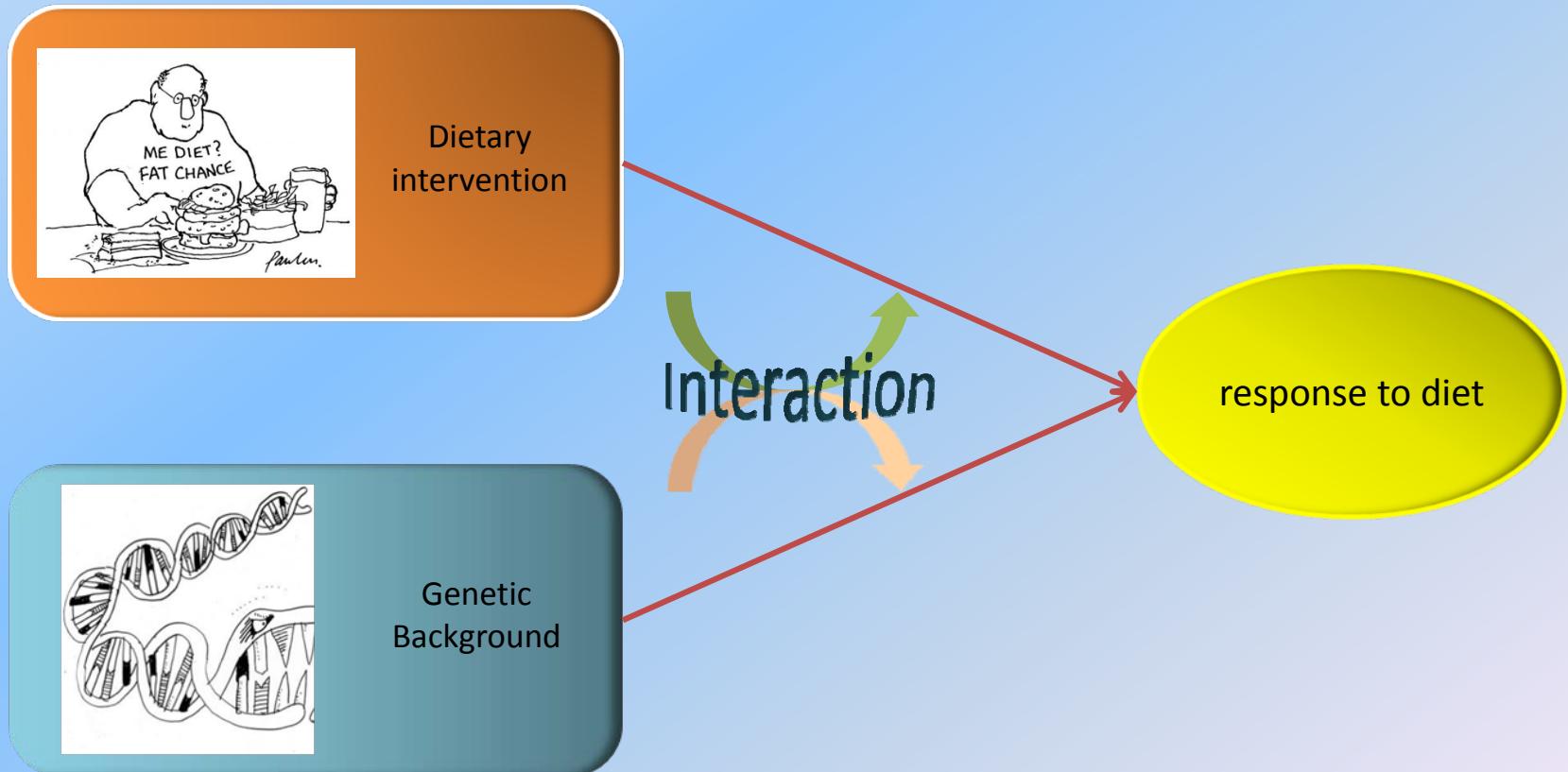


# Ponds lost study

- A two year randomized clinical trial
- 811 overweight adults
- Four diets varying in macronutrients



# Is there gene environment interaction?



# Objective

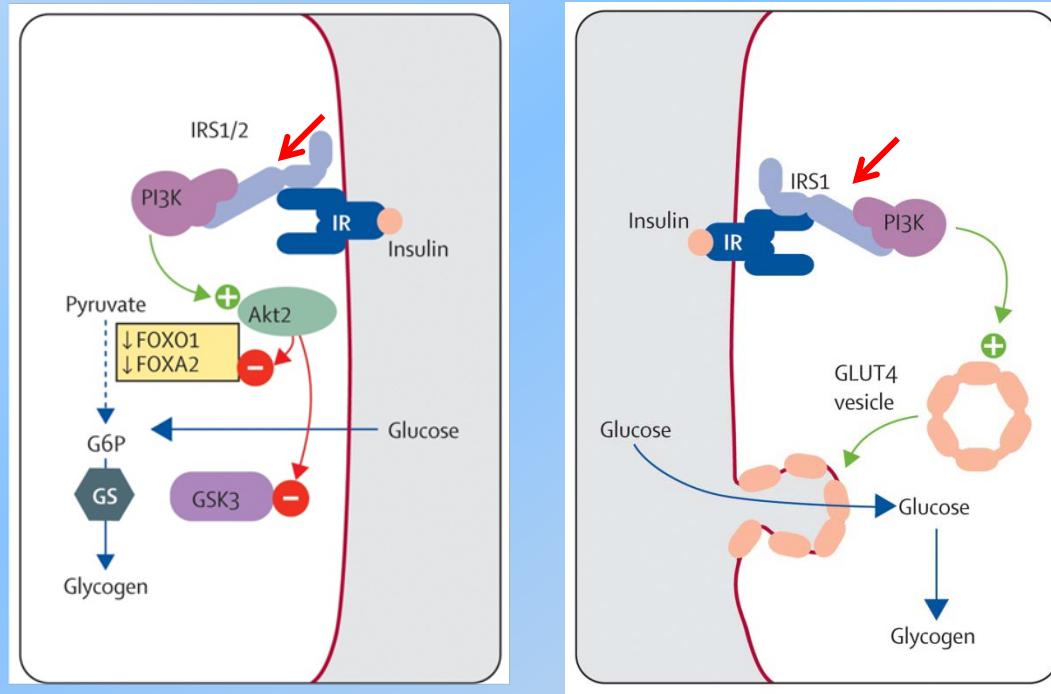
To examine whether:

- rs2943641 of *IRS1* changes in insulin resistance and body weight loss
- Rs3764261 of CETP changes lipid profile in response to a 2 year randomized trial (the DIRECT trial).



# Insulin Receptor Substrate 1 Gene

## Key player in insulin signal transduction



Genetic variant near *IRS1* is associated with type 2 diabetes, insulin resistance and hyperinsulinemia

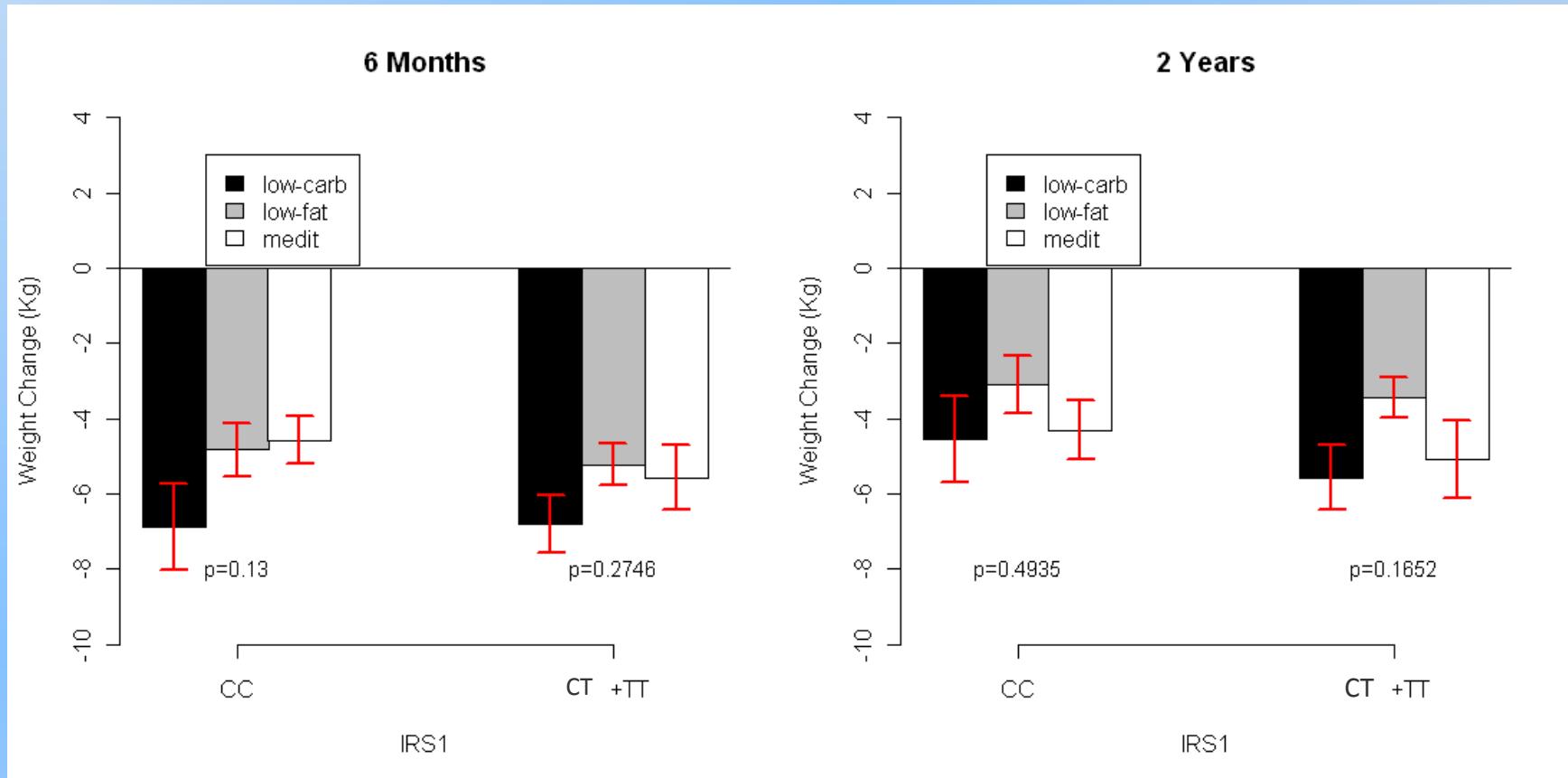
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The insulin sensitivity response is determined by the interaction between the G972R polymorphism of the insulin receptor substrate 1 gene and dietary fat

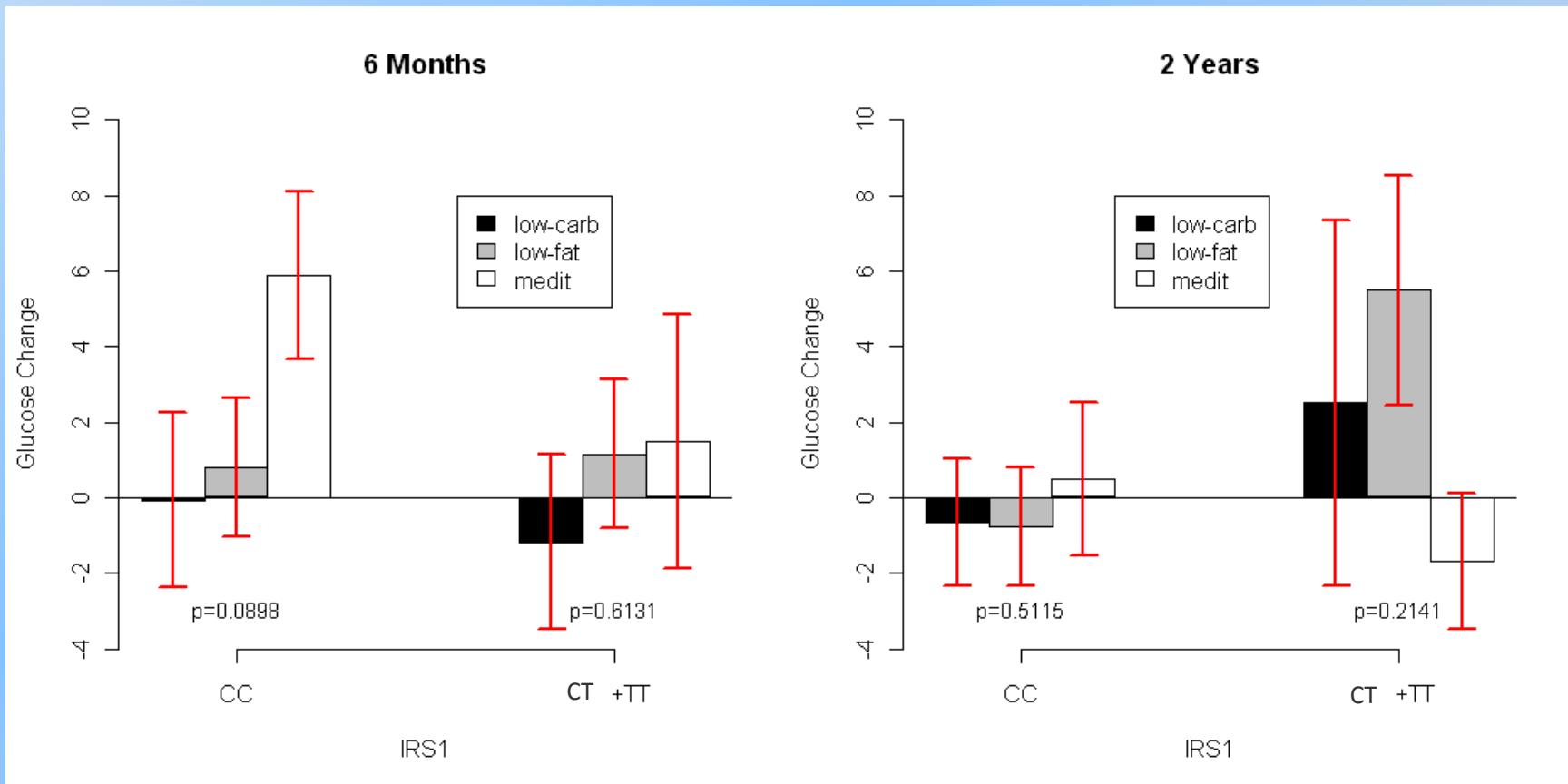
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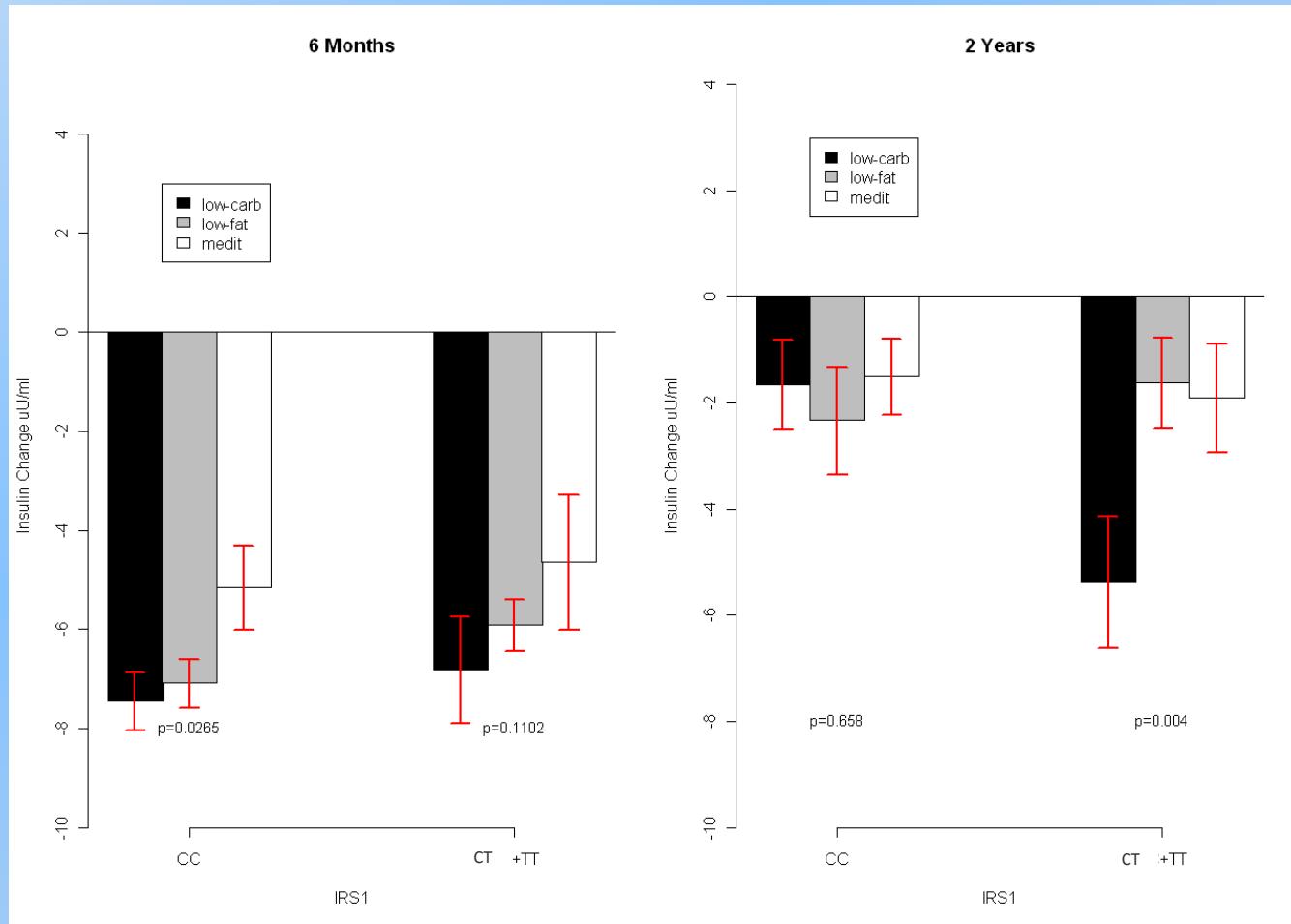
# Diet group and genotype did not effect Weight change



# Diet group and genotype did not change Glucose level

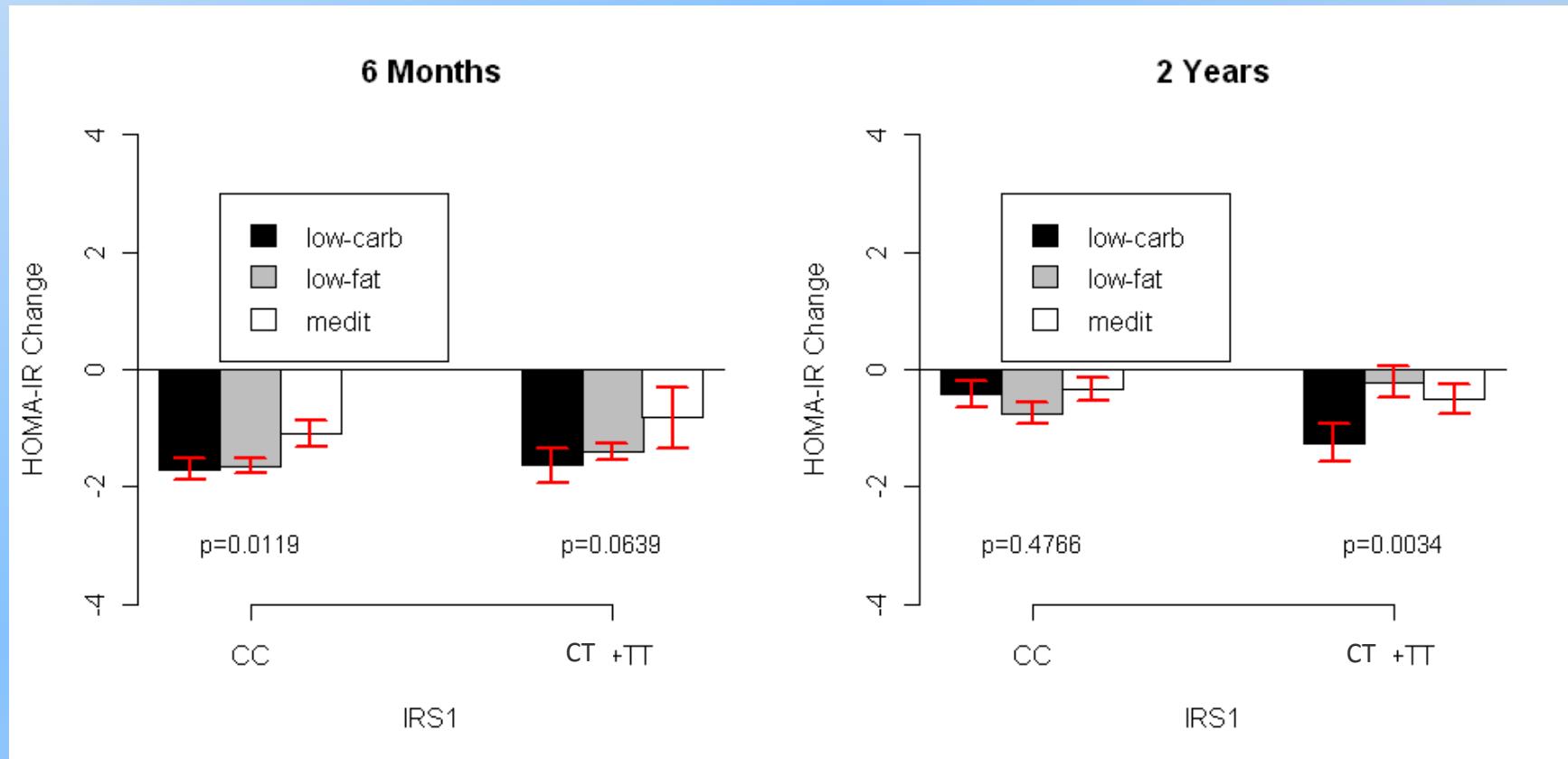


# Positive interaction between diet group and genotype on Insulin level

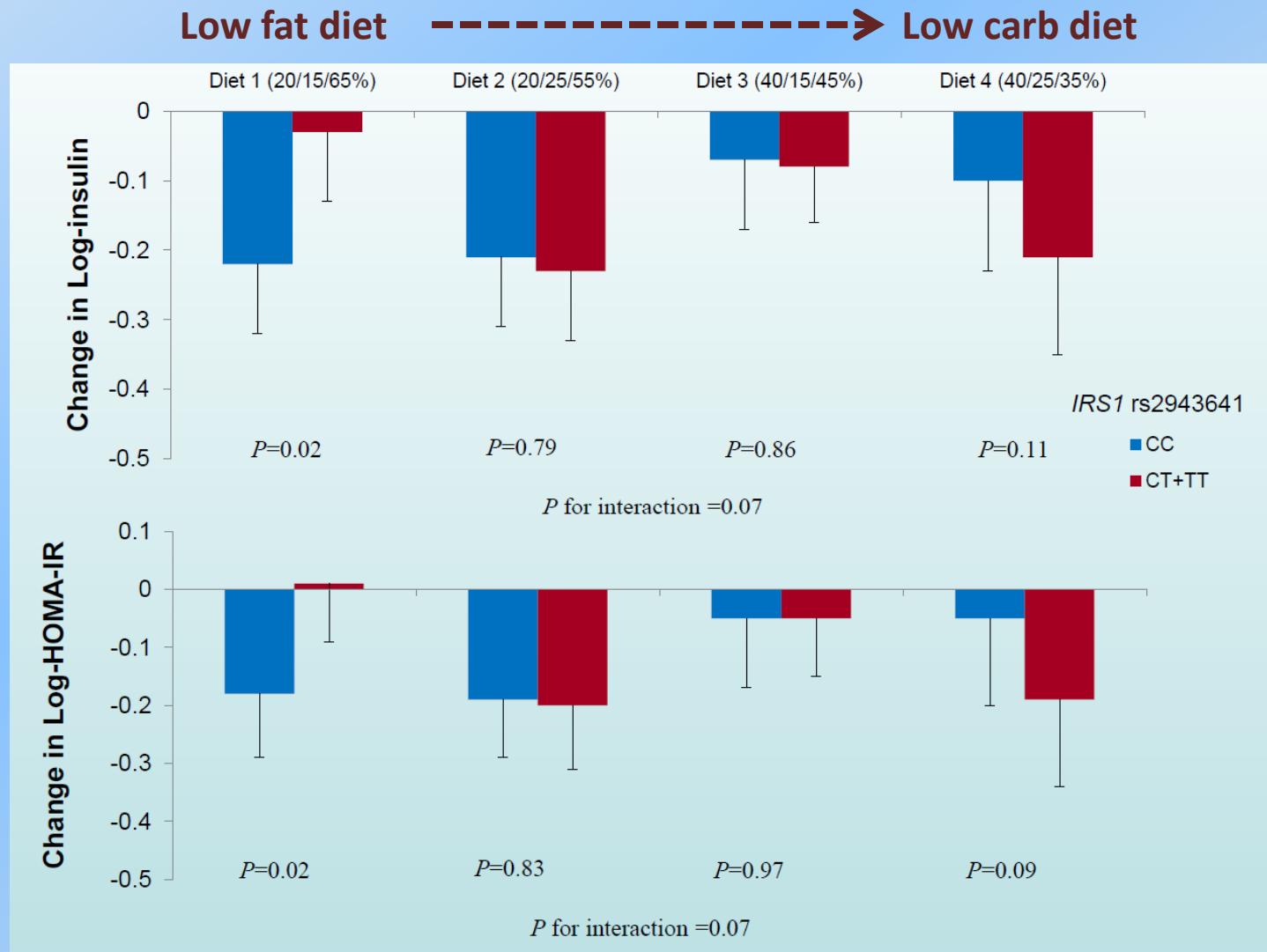


P=0.004

# HOMA-IR change by diet group and genotype



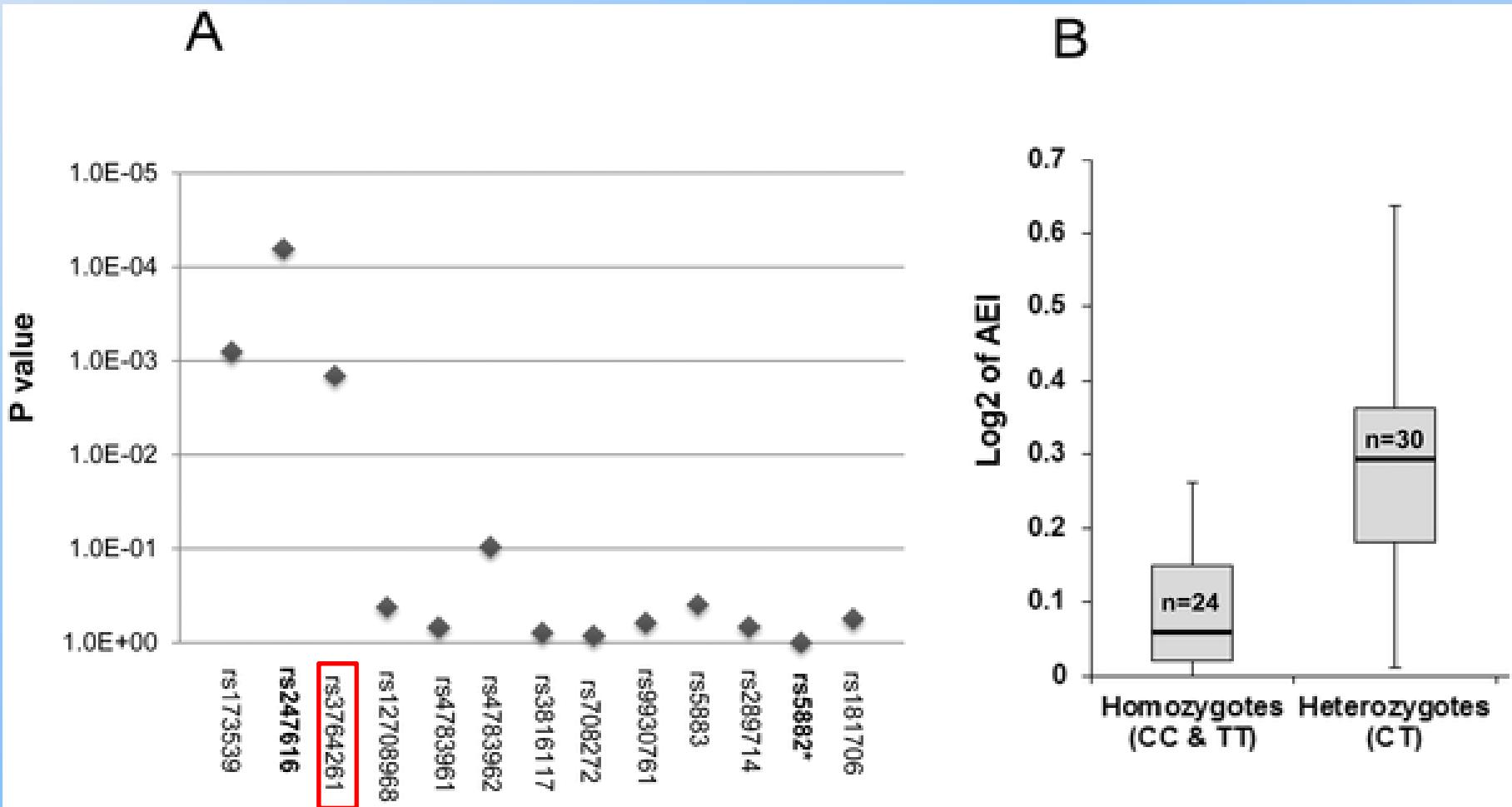
# Insulin and HOMA-IR @ 2 years pound loss cohort



# Rs3764261 SNP is most associated with HDLc level

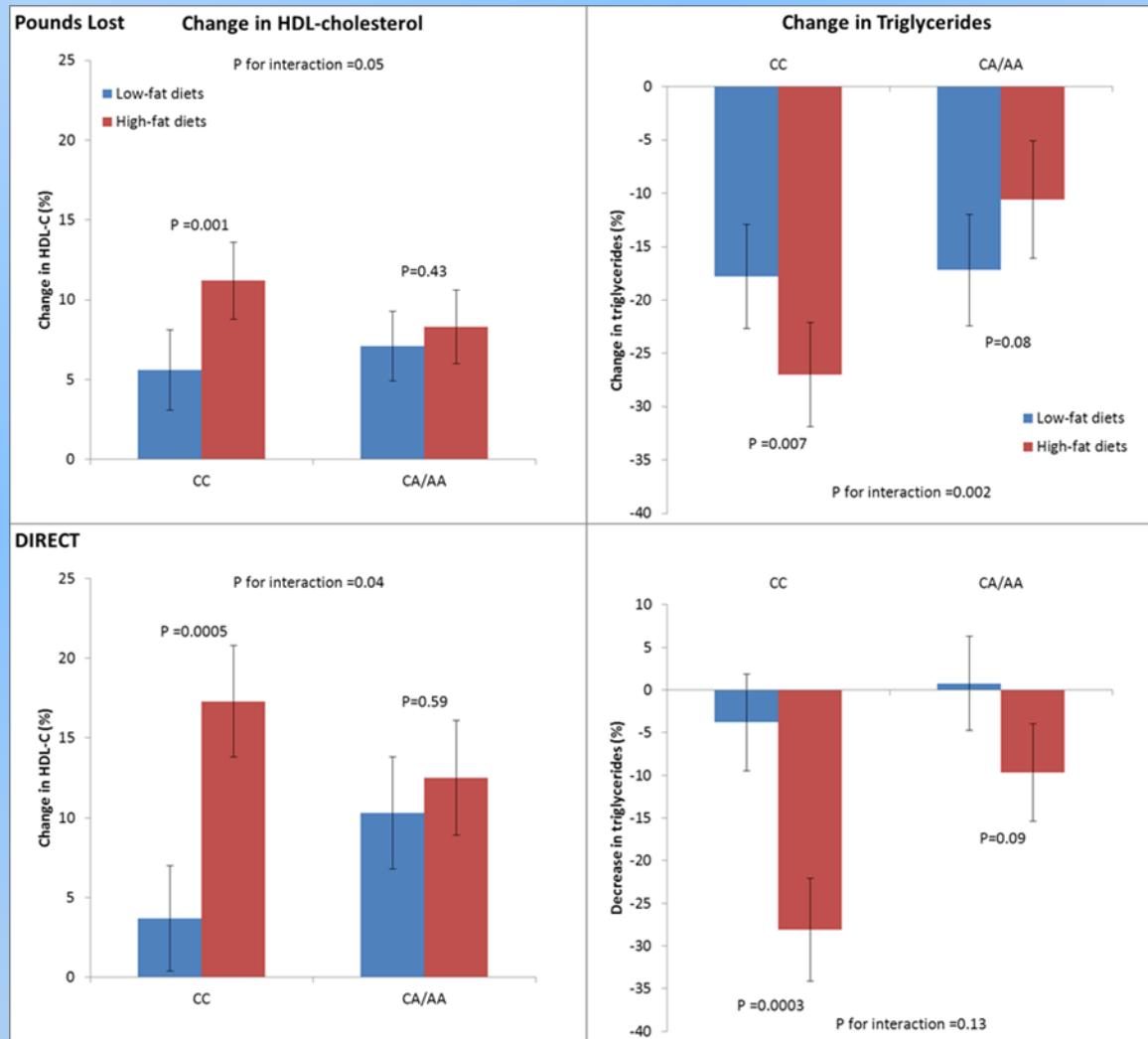
SNP	Chr	Pos( Mb)	Allel es	Freq (+/-)	Effect (+)	Combined (two-sided)	Nearby genes
rs3764261	16	55.6	A/C	0.69	3.47	$10^{-57}$	2.3 <i>CETP</i>
rs1864163	16	55.6	G/A	0.80	4.12	$10^{-39}$	6.9 <i>CETP</i>
rs9989419	16	55.5	G/A	0.65	1.72	$10^{-31}$	3.2 <i>CETP</i>
rs12596776	16	55.5	G/C	0.13	1.26	$10^{-8}$	2.8 <i>CETP</i>
rs1566439	16	55.6	C/T	0.45	0.96	$10^{-8}$	3.3 <i>CETP</i>
rs4775041	15	56.5	C/G	0.67	1.38	$10^{-20}$	3.2 <i>LIPC</i>

**Figure 1. Association of CETP SNPs with Allelic Expression Ratios.**



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# Percent changes in HDL and triglycerides by diet and *CETP* rs376426 genotype - Pounds Lost and DIRECT trials



# Significance and limitations

- The study demonstrated gene-diet interaction on improved insulin resistance in a long term interventional trial
- Replicates previous similar trial (Pounds lost)
- Provides information that may help tailor effective dietary interventions based on genetic background.



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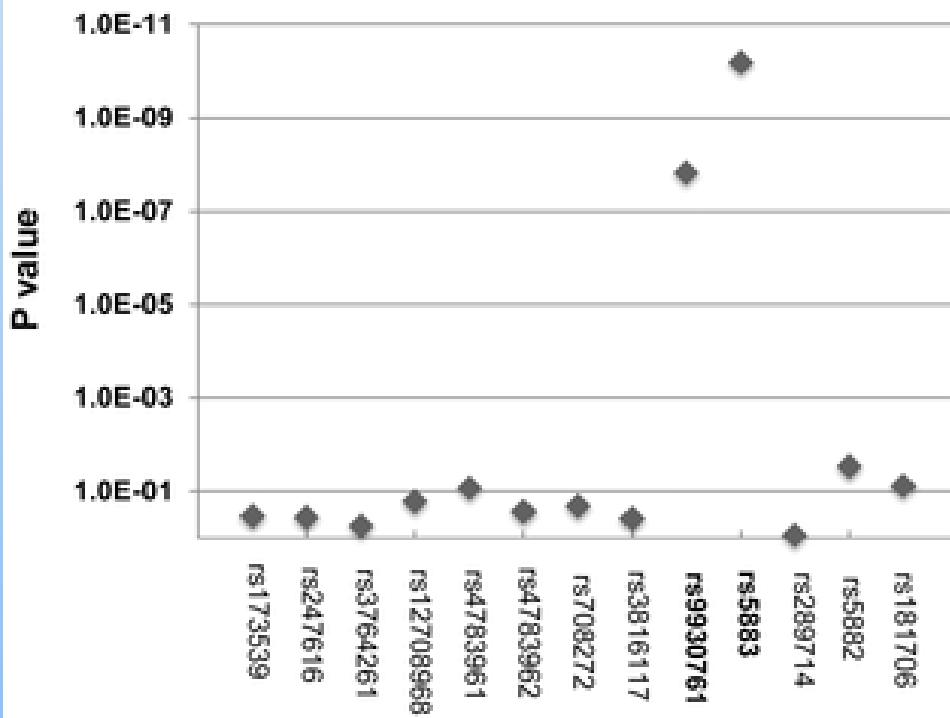
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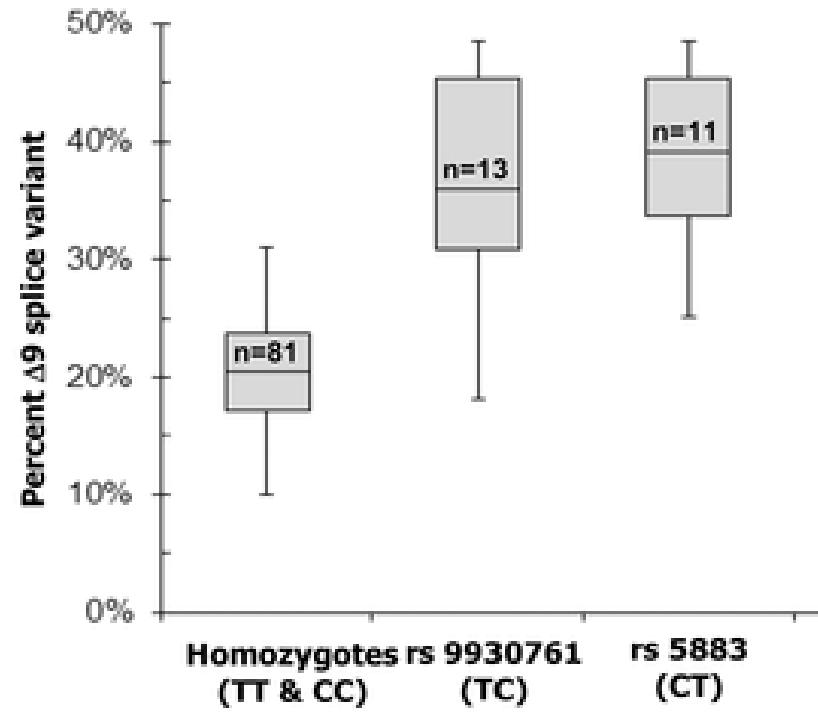


# Association of CETP SNPs with the $\Delta$ splice variant.

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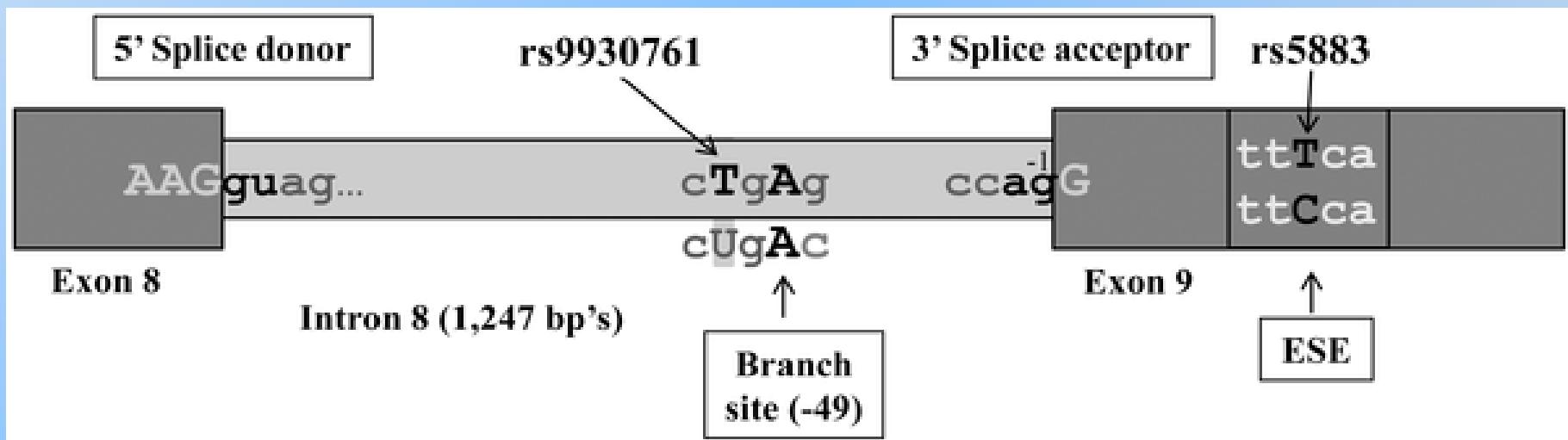


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# Intron 8 splice site is associated with reduced plasma CETP



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