

Gastroparesis

– Recent advances in the pathophysiology and treatment –

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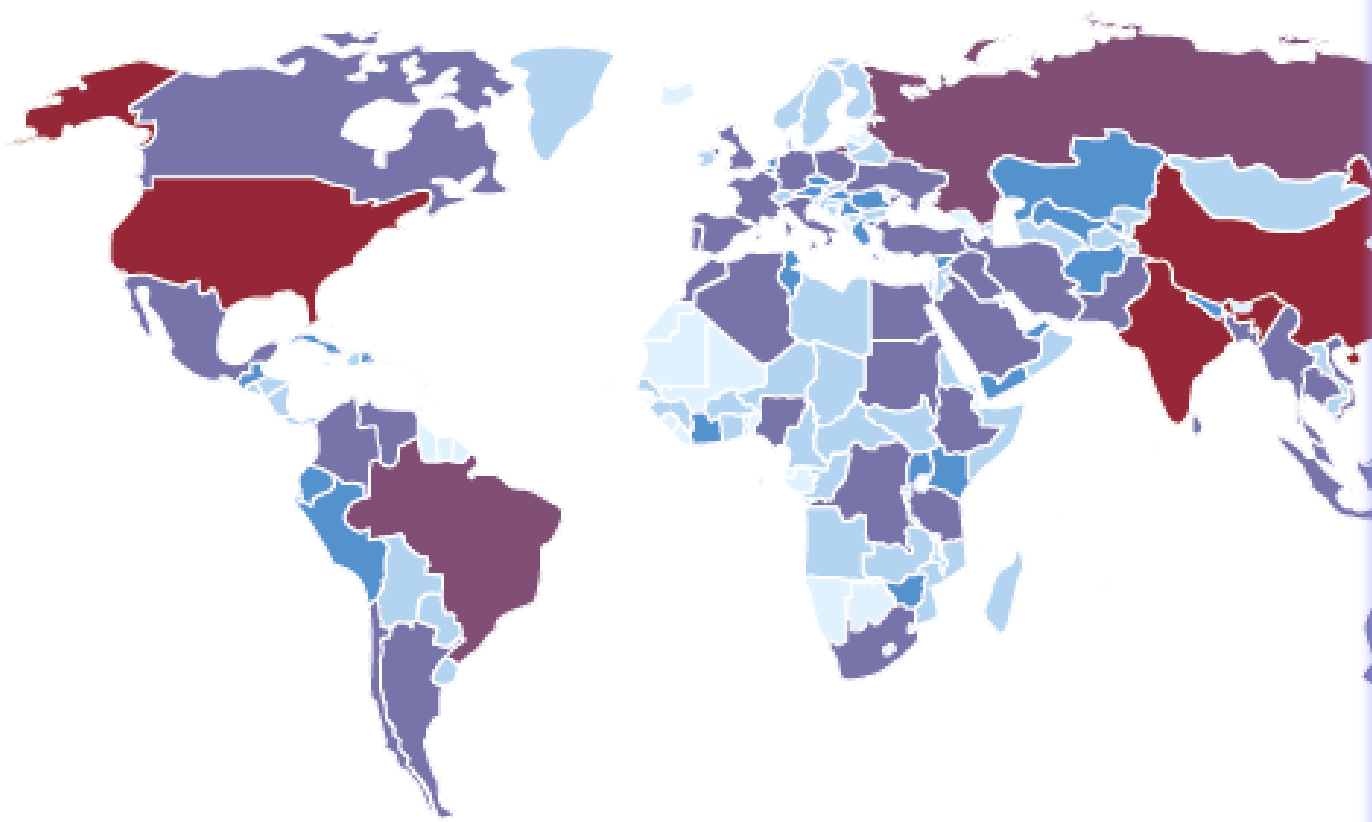
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Etiology

- Idiopathic -- 40%
- **Diabetes mellitus** -- 30%
- Postsurgical (Gastrectomy/fundoplication)
- Connective tissue disease
- Hypothyroidism
- Malignancy
- Provocation drugs
- End-stage renal disease

Number of people with diabetes (20-79 years), 2013



- < 100,000
- 100,000- 500,000
- 500,000- 1,000,000

382 million people have diabetes

By 2035 this will rise to **592 MILLION**

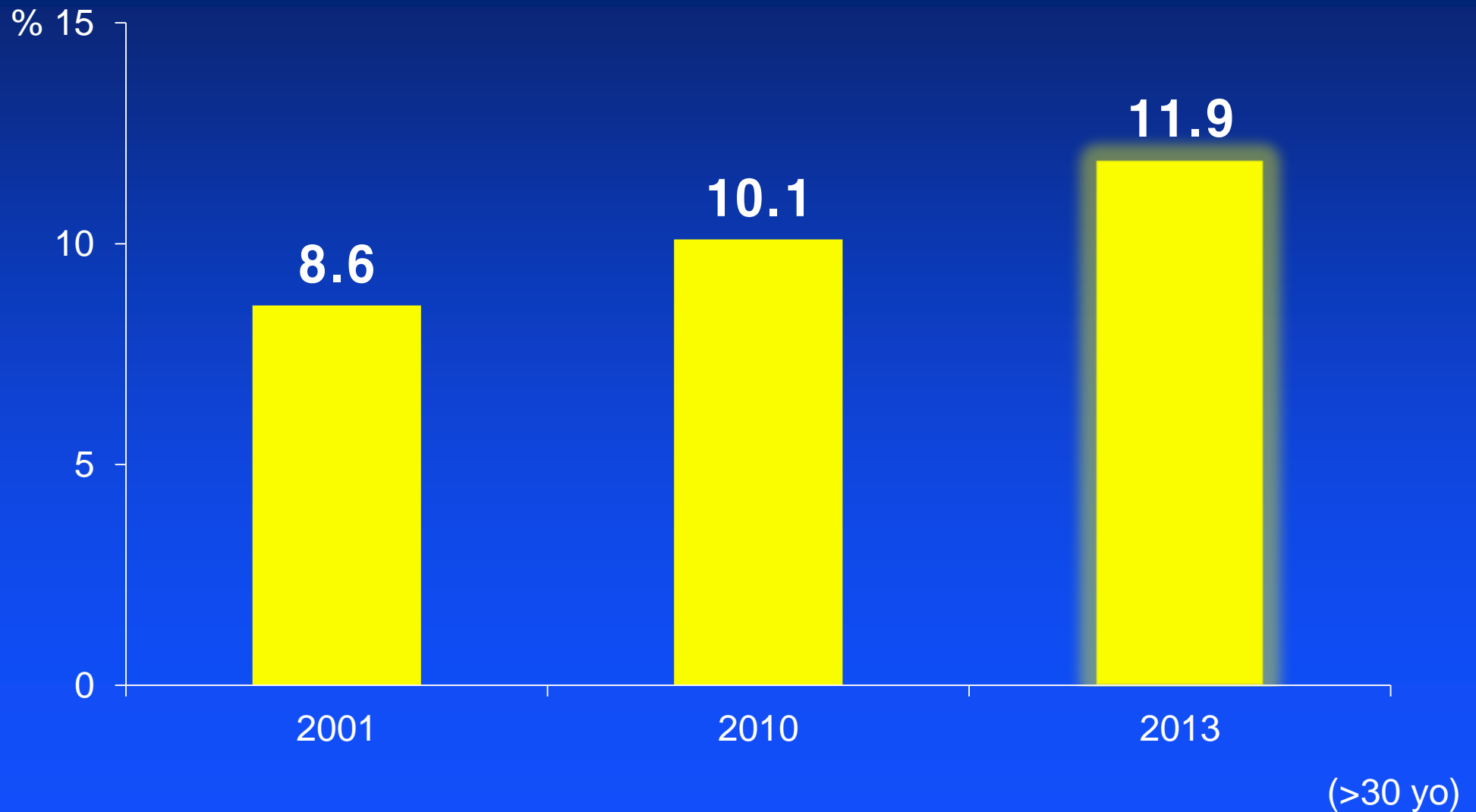


The number of people with type 2 diabetes is increasing in every country

175 million people with diabetes are undiagnosed

The greatest number of people with diabetes are between 40 and 59 years of age

Prevalence of DM in Korea



Prevalence of GI symptoms in DM in Korea

Table 2. Prevalence of upper gastrointestinal symptoms in patients with non-insulin dependent diabetic mellitus

Symptoms	Men (n=249)	Women (n=359)	Overall [95% confidence interval]
Globus	10 (4.0)	18 (5.0)	28 (4.6) [2.9-6.3]
Rumination	12 (4.8)	17 (4.7)	29 (4.8) [3.0-6.5]
Heartburn	16 (6.4)	27 (7.5)	43 (7.1) [5.0-9.2]
Acid regurgitation	10 (4.0)	17 (4.7)	27 (4.4) [2.8-6.1]
Nausea	10 (4.0)	31 (8.6)*	41 (6.7) [4.7-8.8]
Vomiting	3 (1.2)	7 (1.9)	10 (1.6) [0.6-2.7]
Early satiety	22 (8.8)	46 (12.8)	68 (11.2) [8.6-13.7]
Bloating	23 (9.2)	45 (12.5)	68 (11.2) [8.6-13.7]
Dyspepsia	34 (13.7)	46 (12.8)	80 (13.2) [10.5-15.8]

Data are presented as number (%).

* $p < 0.05$ vs. male.

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What is gastroparesis?

Symptoms

**Absence of
obstruction**

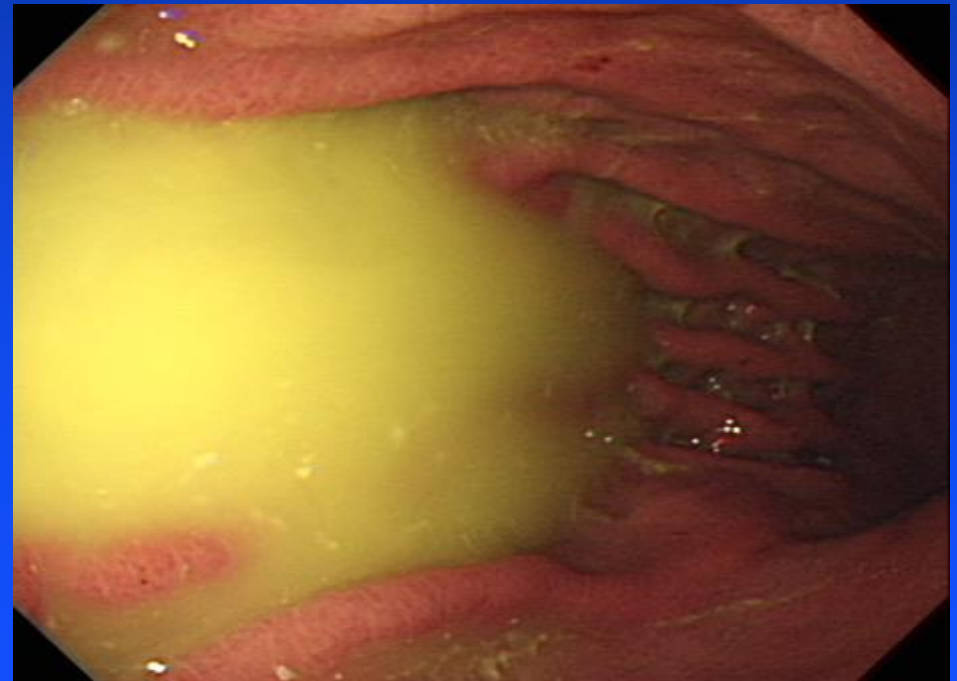
**Delayed
gastric
emptying**

Classification

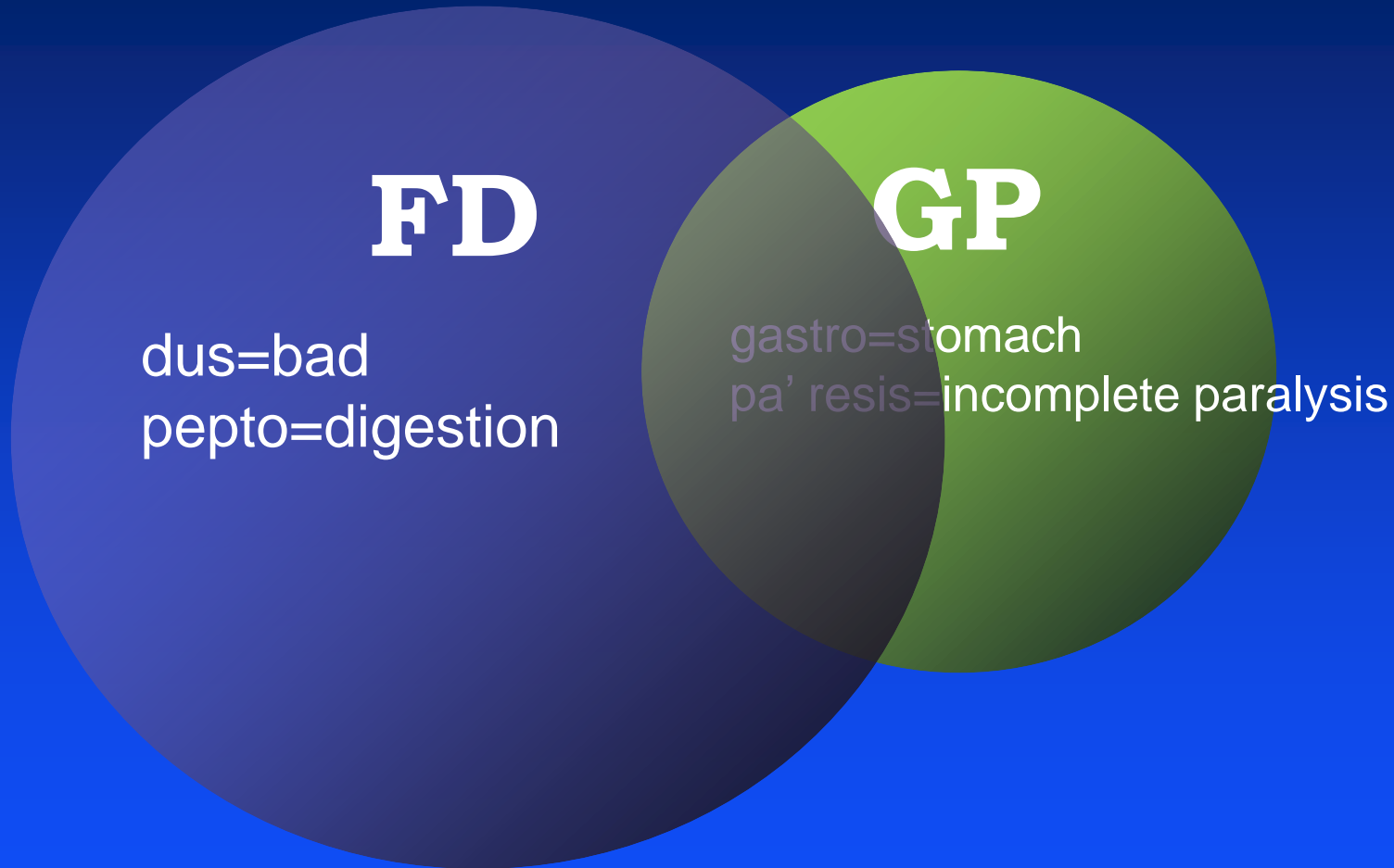
- Mild gastroparesis
- Moderate : Compensated gastroparesis
 - moderate symptoms with use of daily medications, maintain nutrition with dietary adjustments
- Severe : Gastric failure
 - refractory symptoms that are not controlled,
 - inability to maintain oral nutrition

Typical symptoms?

- Nausea, vomiting
- Abdominal discomfort
- Early satiety
- Postprandial fullness
- Bloating



Gastroparesis: separate entity or just a part of FD?

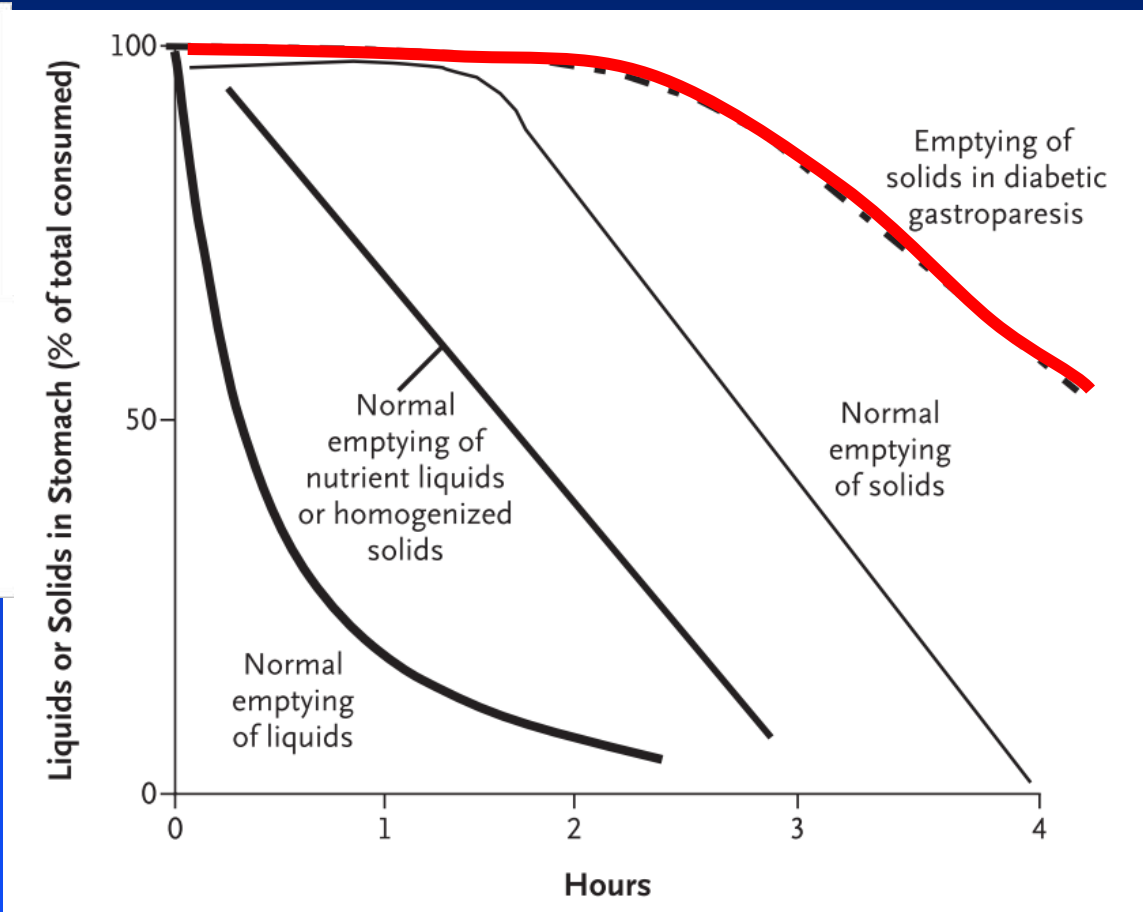
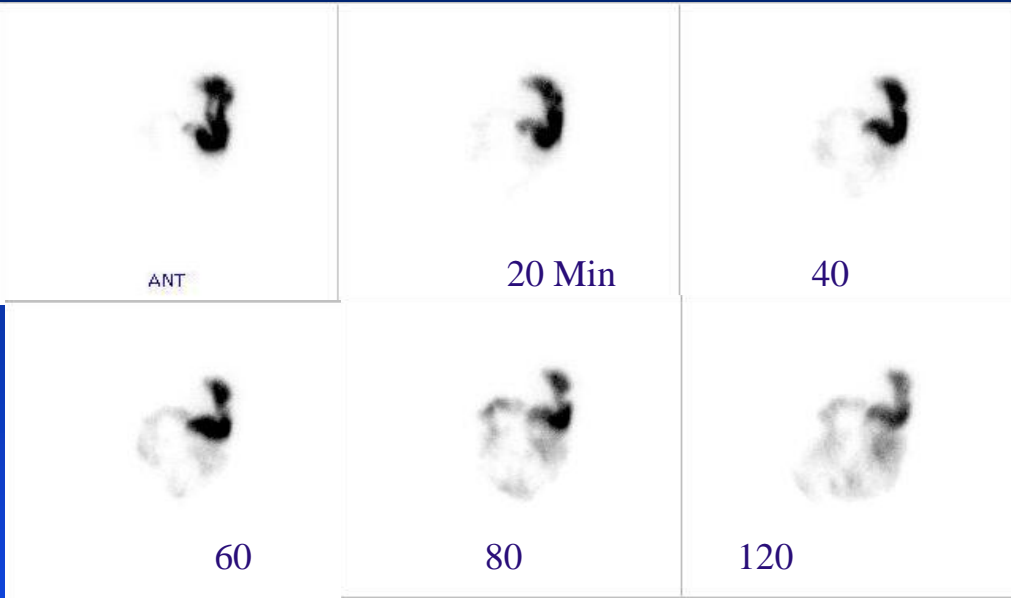


FD: Functional dyspepsia,
GP: Gastroparesis

Diagnosis

- Scintigraphy
- Wireless motility capsule (WMC)
- Breath testing : ^{13}C breath testing using octanoic acid, acetate or spirulina

Gastric Emptying Scintigraphy



Delayed gastric emptying

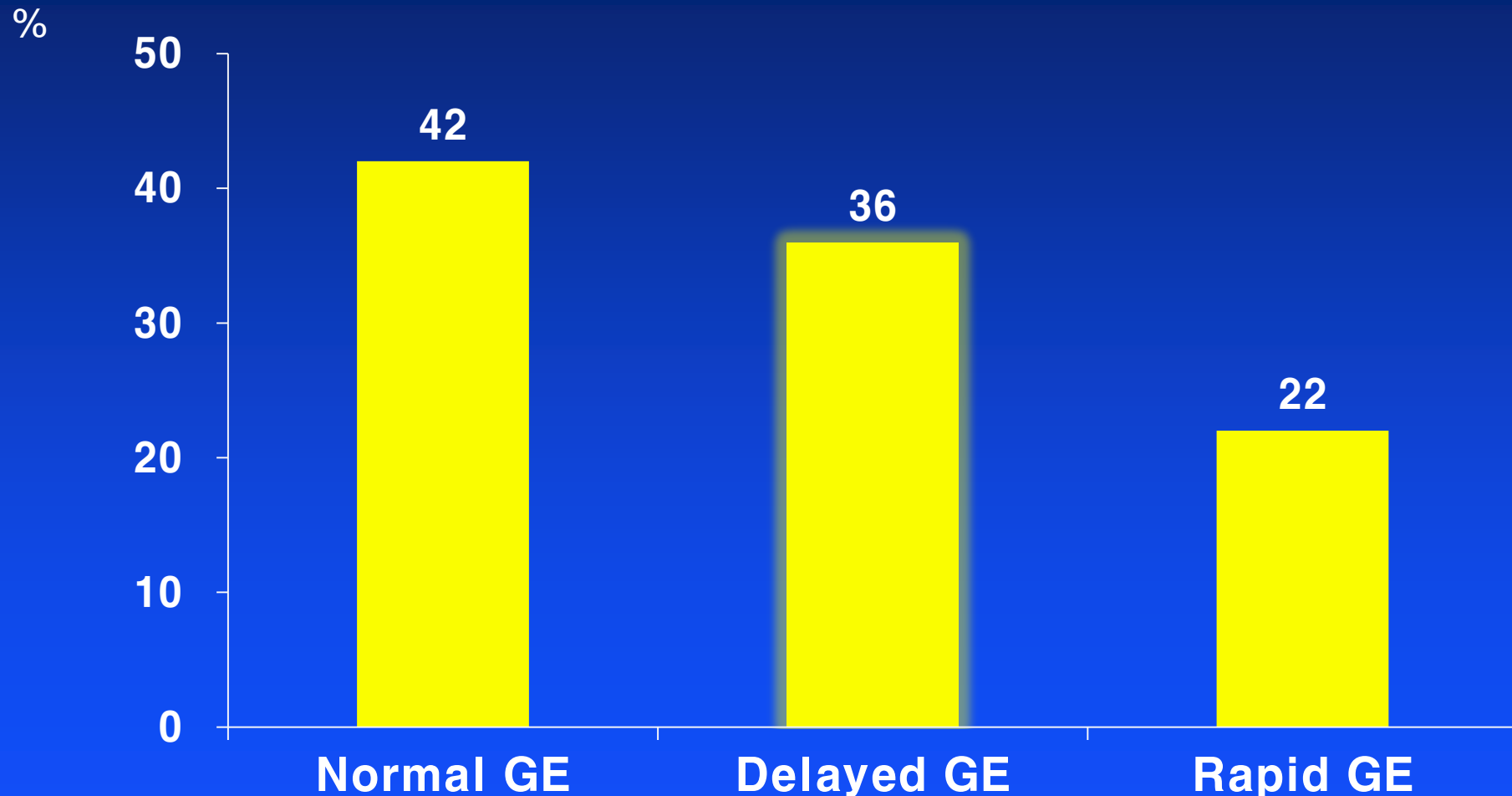
as greater than 60% retention at 2 hours
and/or 10% at 4 hours

Consensus recommendations for gastric emptying scintigraphy

- Normal gastric emptying
 - the retention of <10% of a solid meal at 4 hours
- **Delayed gastric emptying**
 - as greater than 60% retention at 2 hours
 - and/or 10% at 4 hours
- Rapid gastric emptying
 - 30% retention at 1 hour

*Abell TL. Am J Gastroenterol 2008
Tougas G. Am J Gastroenterol 2000*

Relationship between clinical features and gastric emptying disturbances in diabetes mellitus



GE: gastric emptying

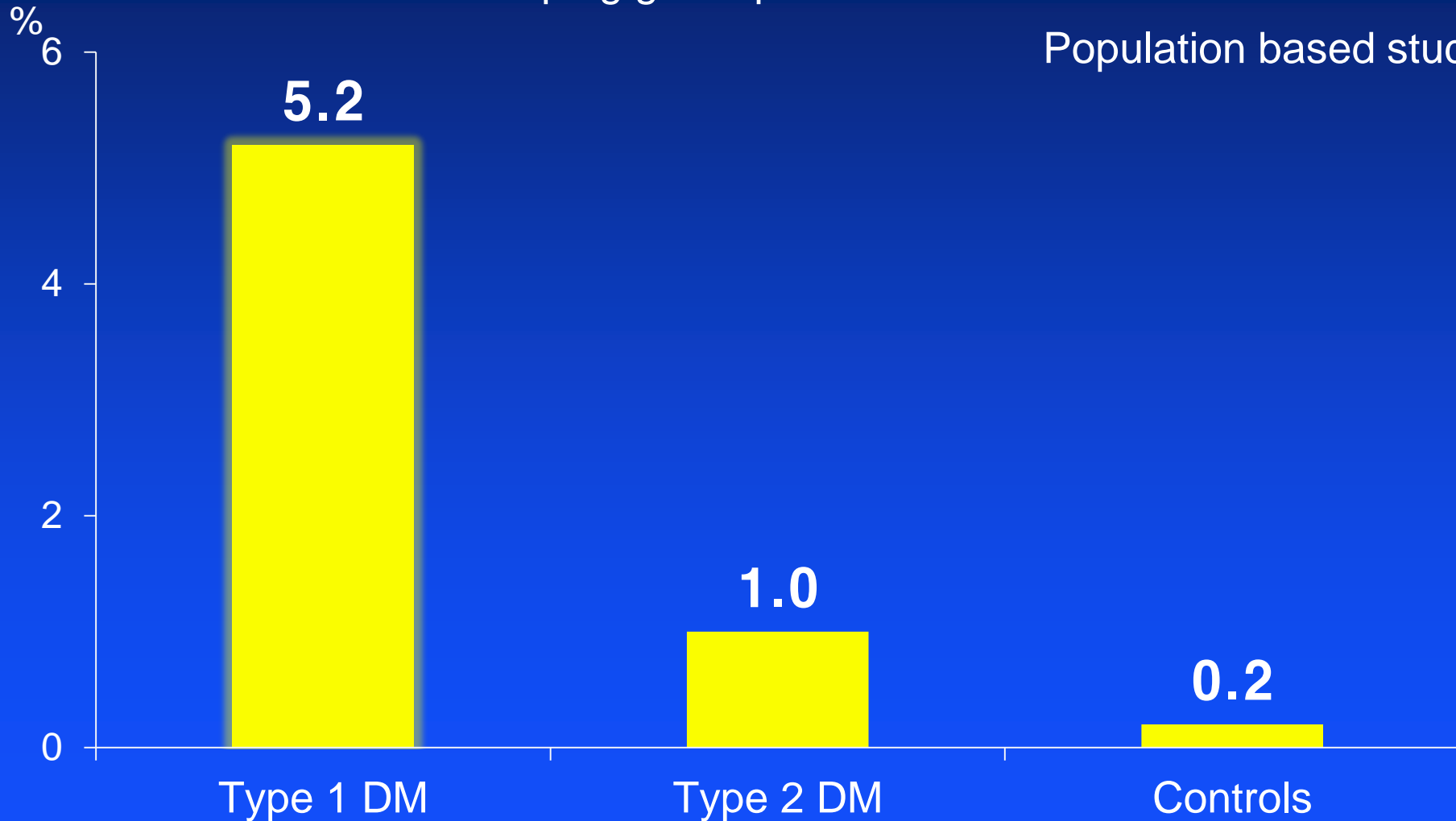
Bharucha. Clin Endocrinol 2009

Before the test

- Withdrawal Medications
 - stimulating (e.g., metoclopramide) gastric smooth muscle contractions.
 - Inhibiting medications (e.g., narcotics, anticholinergic agents)
 - GLP-1 analogs (exenatide)
- # DPP IV inhibitors, do not delay gastric emptying
- Measuring blood glucose
 - Hyperglycemia (> 270 mg / dl) should be treated

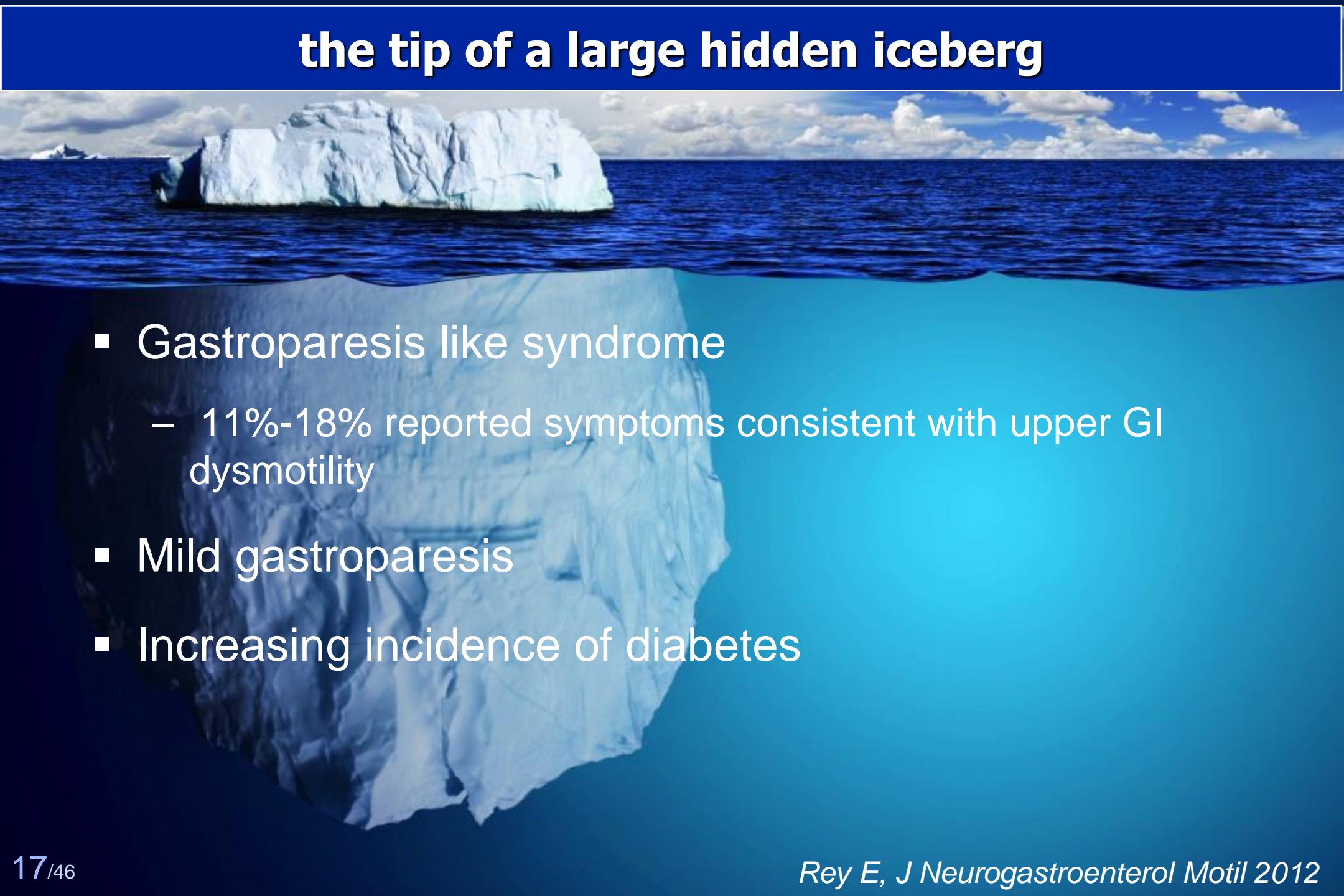
Gastroparesis is **uncommon** in DM

cumulative incidence of developing gastroparesis



Population based study in US

the tip of a large hidden iceberg

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- Gastroparesis like syndrome
 - 11%-18% reported symptoms consistent with upper GI dysmotility
 - Mild gastroparesis
 - Increasing incidence of diabetes

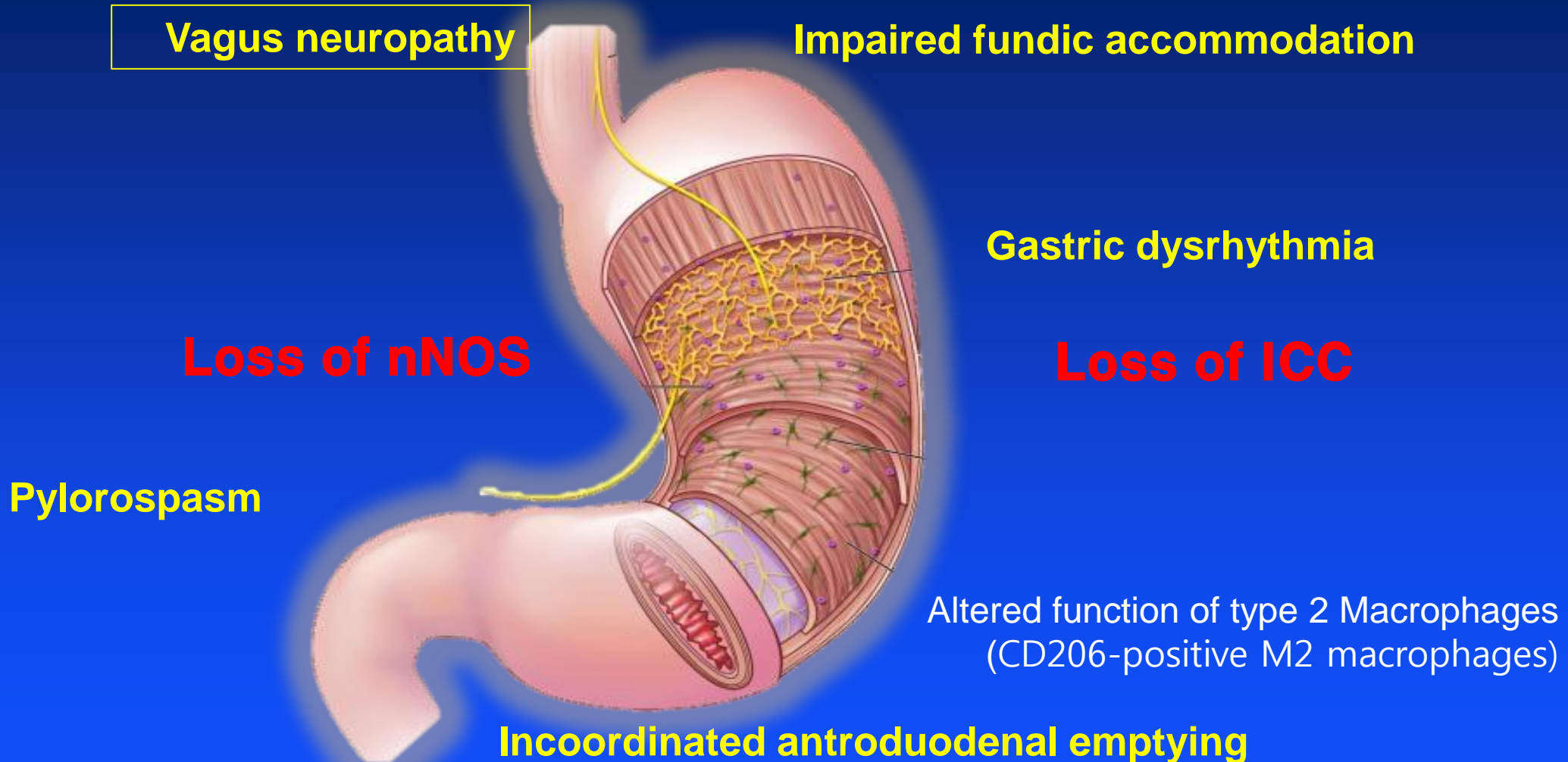
Difference in Type 1 vs 2

Factors	Type 1 DM	Type 2 DM
Age	Young	Old
Delayed gastric emptying	Severe	Mild
Predominant symptom	Nausea	Early satiety
Aggravating factors	Neuropathy and poor glycemic control	Less clear

Pathophysiology

- Delayed gastric emptying
 - Sx vs delayed gastric emptying: poor
 - The role of delayed emptying in symptom generation in gastroparesis is unclear.
- Autonomic neuropathy
- Sustained hyperglycemia

Pathophysiological changes in diabetic gastroparesis



ICC: Interstitial Cells of Cajal
nNOS: neuronal nitric oxide synthase

*Kashyap P, Farrugia G. Gut 2010
Tack J, Curr Opin Gastroenterol 2015*

Pathophysiology



Loss of ICC
Loss of nNOS



Delayed gastric emptying
Autonomic neuropathy

ICC: Interstitial Cells of Cajal
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Oh JH, Pasricha PJ. JNM 2013

Treatment

Diet

- Smaller, more frequent meals
 - Low-fat, more liquid meals
- efficacy is not proven

Classes of prokinetic agents

Prokinetic class	Agents
Dopamine 2 receptor Antagonists	Metoclopramide
	Domperidone
Motilin Receptor Agonists	Erythromycin
Serotonin 5-HT₄ Agonists	Prucalopride
	Velusetrag
Acetylcholinesterase Inhibitors	Neostigmine Pyridostigmine
GABA B Receptor Agonists	Baclofen

Metoclopramide (MCP)

Prokinetic and anti-emetic properties
D₂ antagonist and 5-HT₃ antagonist

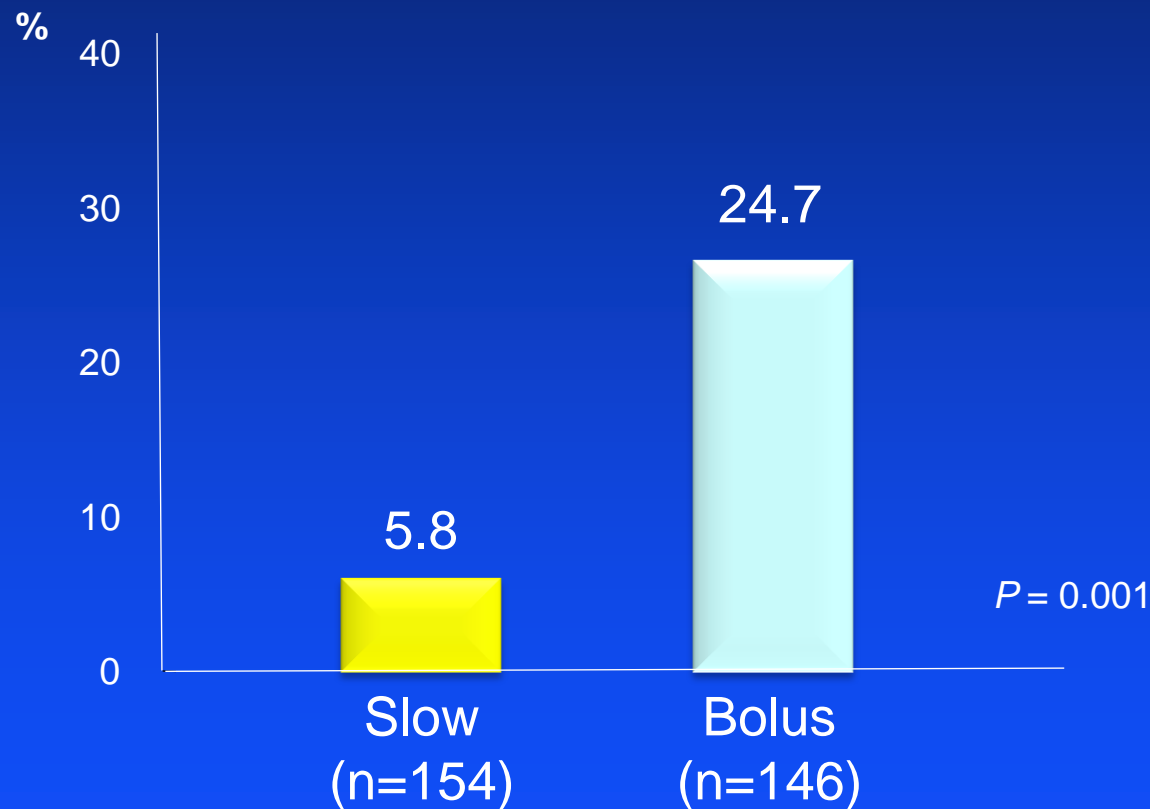
the only drug approved by the FDA
for gastroparesis

Recommended duration : 3 months

Side effects

- Extrapiramidal side effects,
 - mild restlessness, agitation, and akathisia, overt dystonia and dyskinesia
- Adverse effects : particularly common in young children and the elderly

Metoclopramide and akathisia



Slow : 10 mg MCP iv + 100 ml NS for 15 min
Bolus: 10 mg MCP iv + 100 ml NS for 2 min

Metoclopramide Nasal Spray Reduces Symptoms of Gastroparesis in Women, but not Men, With Diabetes: Results of a Phase 2B Randomized Study



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Metoclopramide nasal spray reduces symptoms of gastroparesis in women, but not in men, with diabetes. Patient sex therefore might be considered in the selection of treatment for diabetic gastroparesis. [ClinicalTrials.gov](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT00845858) no: NCT00845858.

Domperidone

a dopamine antagonist, peripheral
does not cross the blood-brain barrier

Available throughout Europe, as well
as in Canada but not in the US

Side effect? EKG

Side effect of domperidone

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EMA/129231/2014

The review of domperidone was carried out at the request of the Belgian medicines authority over concerns about the medicine's effects on the heart. The injectable form of domperidone was withdrawn in 1985 because of such side effects. Serious effects on the heart, including QT prolongation (an alteration of the electrical activity of the heart) and arrhythmias (unstable heartbeats), have previously been evaluated by the EMA's former Pharmacovigilance Working Party (PhVWP). In 2011, the PhVWP

The PRAC recommended that domperidone-containing medicines should remain available and may continue to be used in the EU for the management of the symptoms of nausea and vomiting, but that the recommended dose should be reduced to 10 mg up to three times daily by mouth for adults and adolescents weighing 35 kg or more. These patients may also be given the medicine as suppositories of 30 mg twice daily. Where the medicine is licensed in children and adolescents weighing less than 35 kg, it should be given by mouth at a dose of 0.25 mg per kg bodyweight up to three times daily. Measuring devices should be included with liquid formulations to allow accurate dosing by bodyweight.

The medicine should not normally be used for longer than one week.

Levosulpiride

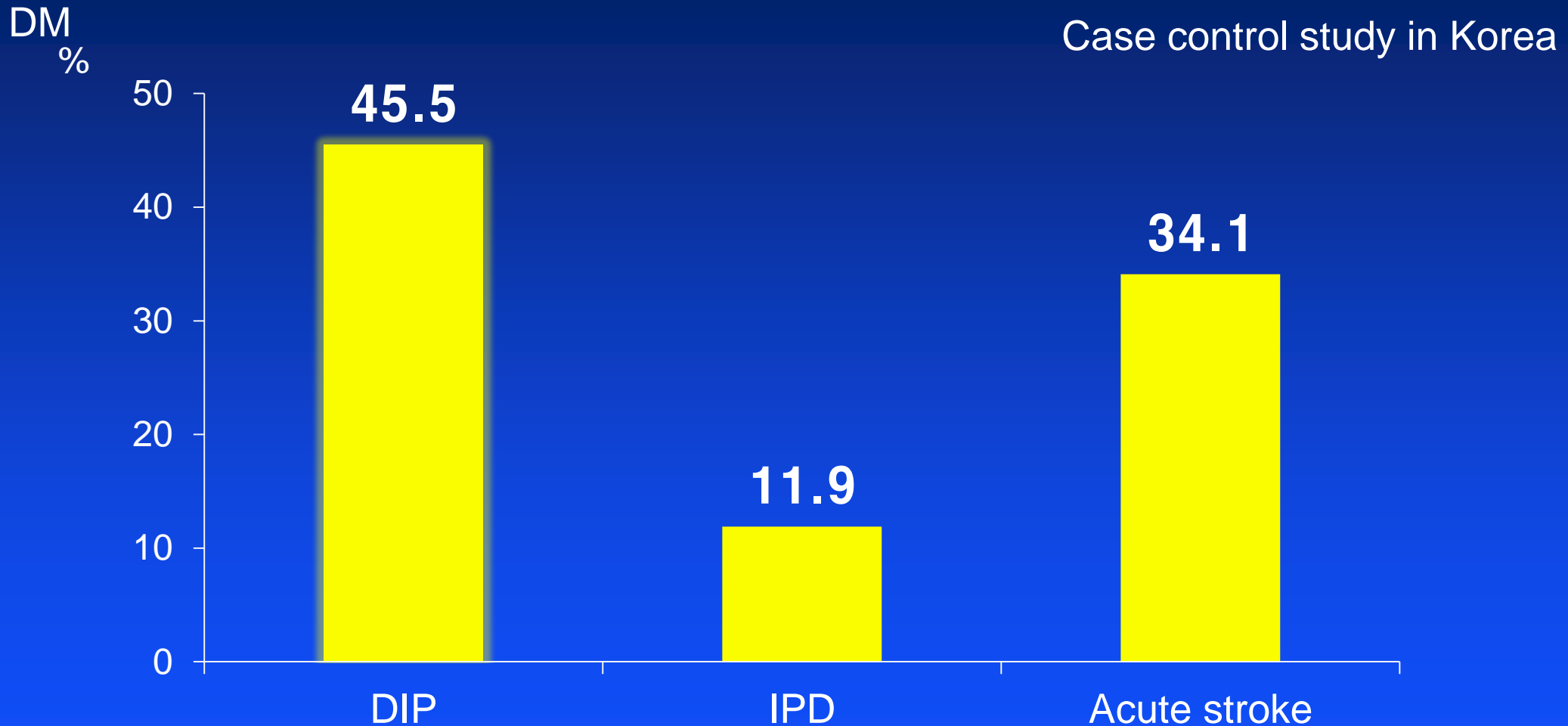
- Dopamine antagonist
- ↑ gastric emptying in diabetics
- improve glycemic control over a 6-month

Melga P, Diabetes Care. 1997

- Levosulpiride-induced movement disorders
 - parkinsonism (93.4%), tardive dyskinesia (9.9%)
 - often irreversible even after the withdrawal

Shin HW, Mov Disord 2009

Drug-induced parkinsonism

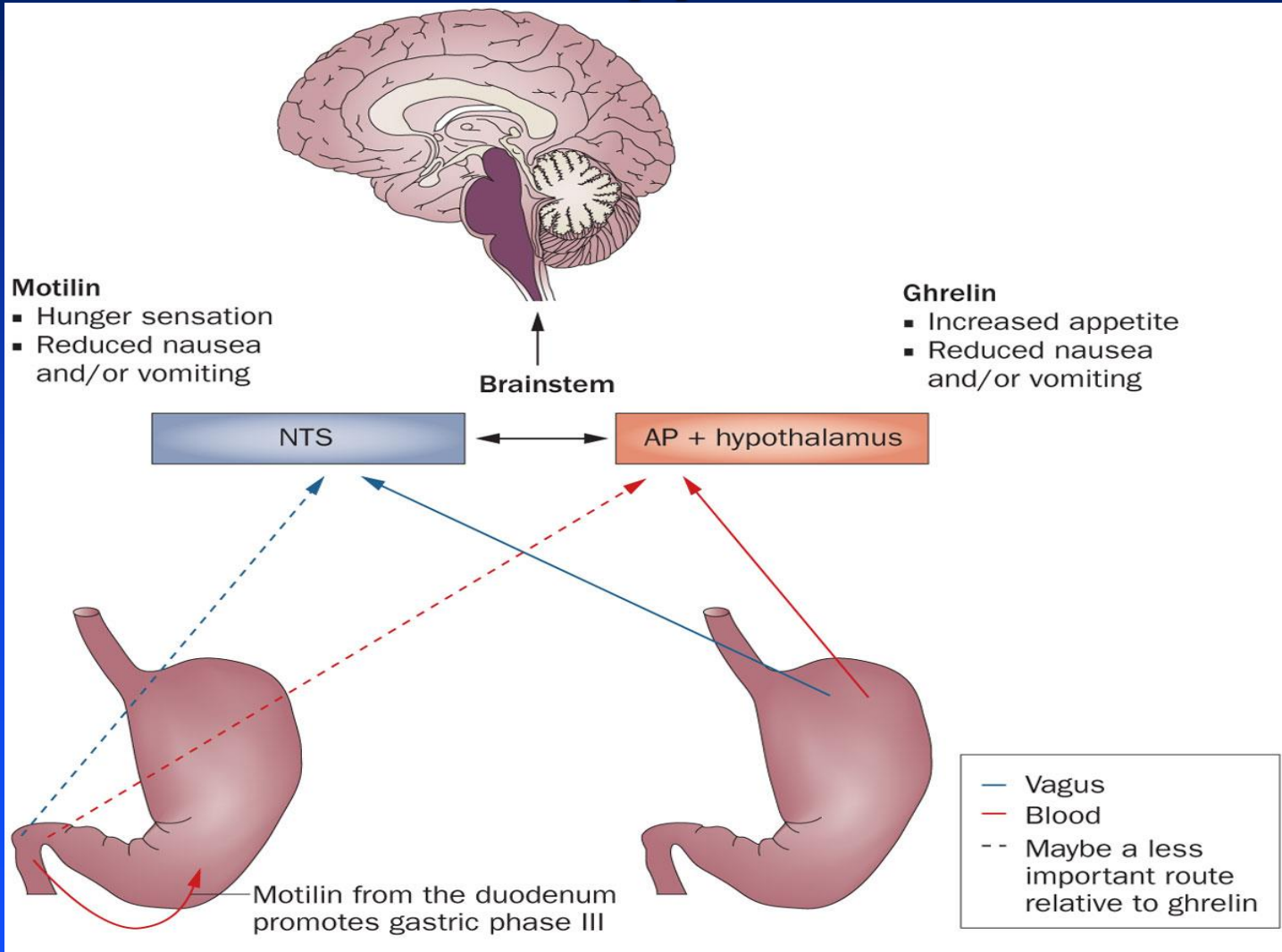


DIP: Drug-induced parkinsonism
IPD: Idiopathic Parkinson disease

Erythromycin

- Macrolides, a motilin agonist
- intravenous erythromycin: useful in acute GP
- long-term oral administration: less obvious
- Tachyphylaxis

Major pathways used by endogenous **ghrelin** and **motilin** to modulate upper GI function



AP, area postrema;
NTS, nucleus tractus solitarius.

New Ghrelin and motilin receptor agonists in development for the treatment of GP

<i>Ghrelin receptor agonists</i>	compound	Rationale
TZP-102 (Tranzyme)	macrocyclic compound	Ability to increase gastric emptying and increase appetite
Relamorelin (RM131)	a pentapeptide for subcutaneous injection;	
<i>Motilin receptor agonists</i>		
Camicinal(GSK-962040)	small-molecule agonist	Ability to increase gastric emptying
RQ-00201894 (RaQualia)	Non-macrolide small molecule	Potential additional ability to increase appetite and reduce nausea
CEM-031 (Cempra)	Macrolide	Effectiveness of low-dose erythromycin

Anti-emetics?

- Associated nausea and vomiting
 - but will not result in improved gastric emptying.
- Tricyclic antidepressants
 - amitriptyline, nortriptyline, imipramine, desipramine
 - refractory nausea and vomiting
 - doses lower than used for depression
 - higher doses: impairing GI motility

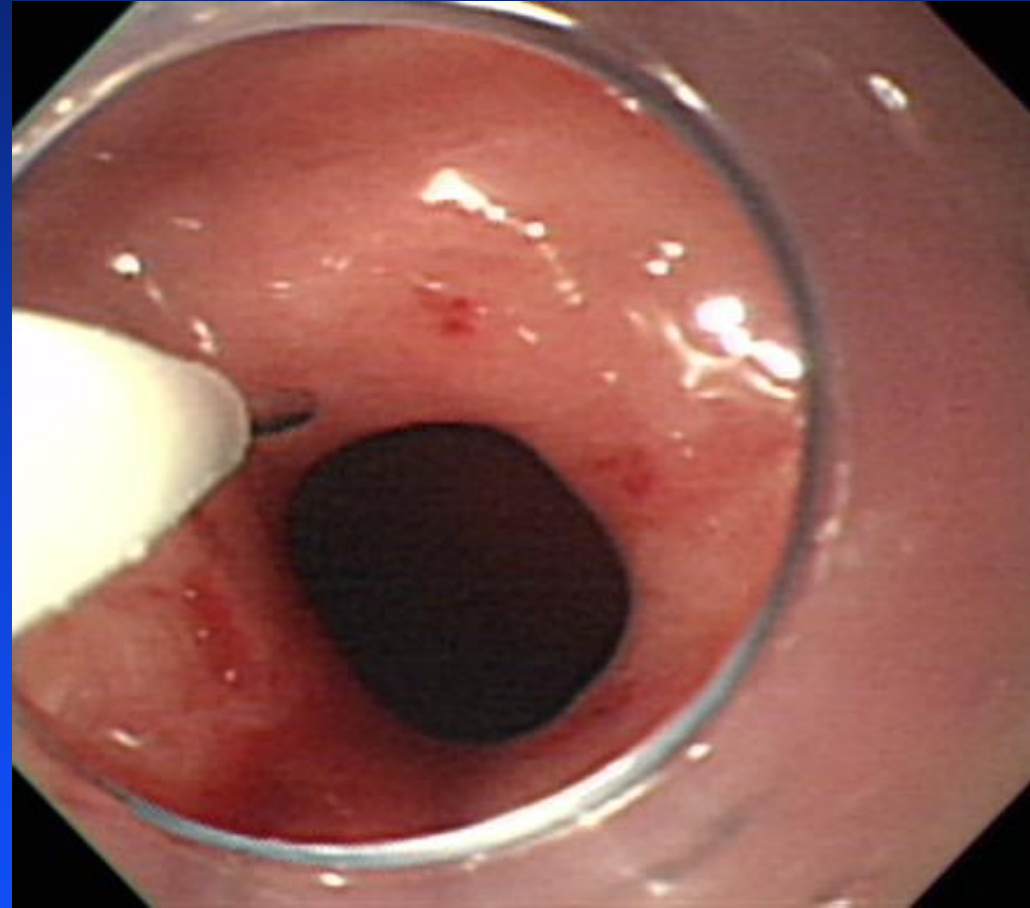
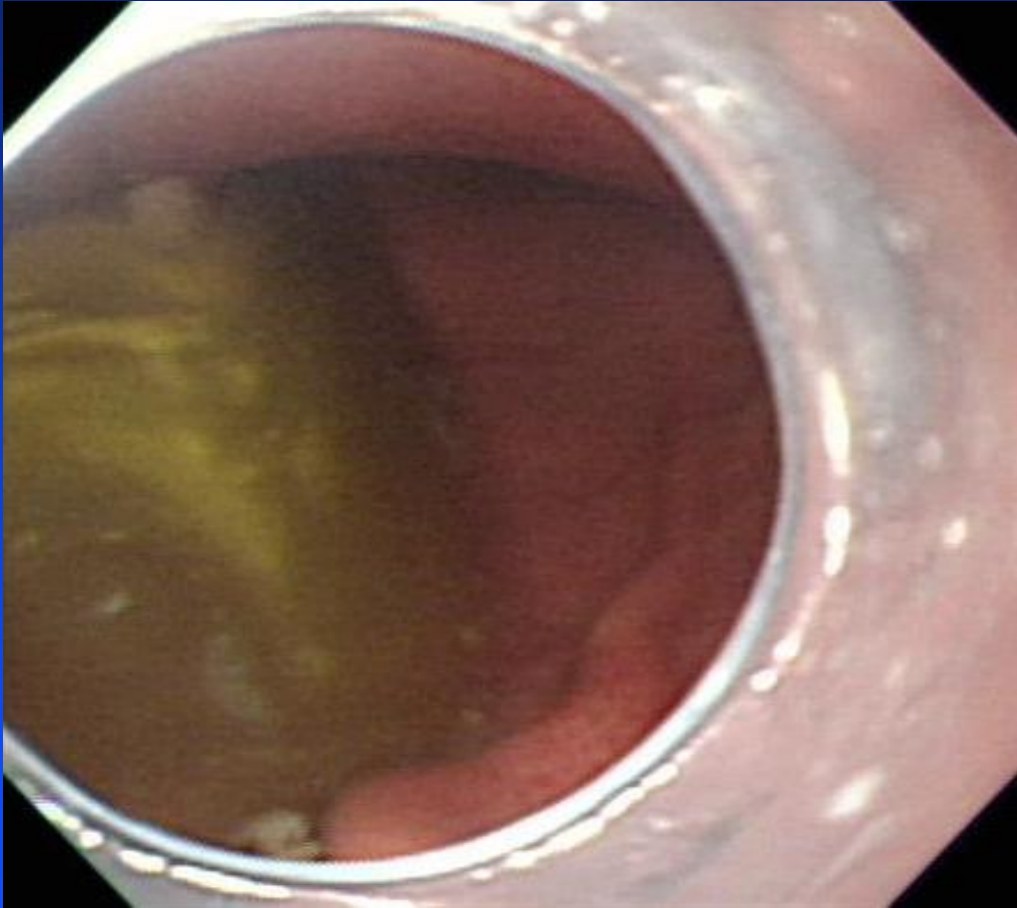
Pain modulators

- Stop! : narcotic opiate analgesics
- Tramadol, gabapentin, pregabalin
- nortriptyline (tricyclic antidepressants)

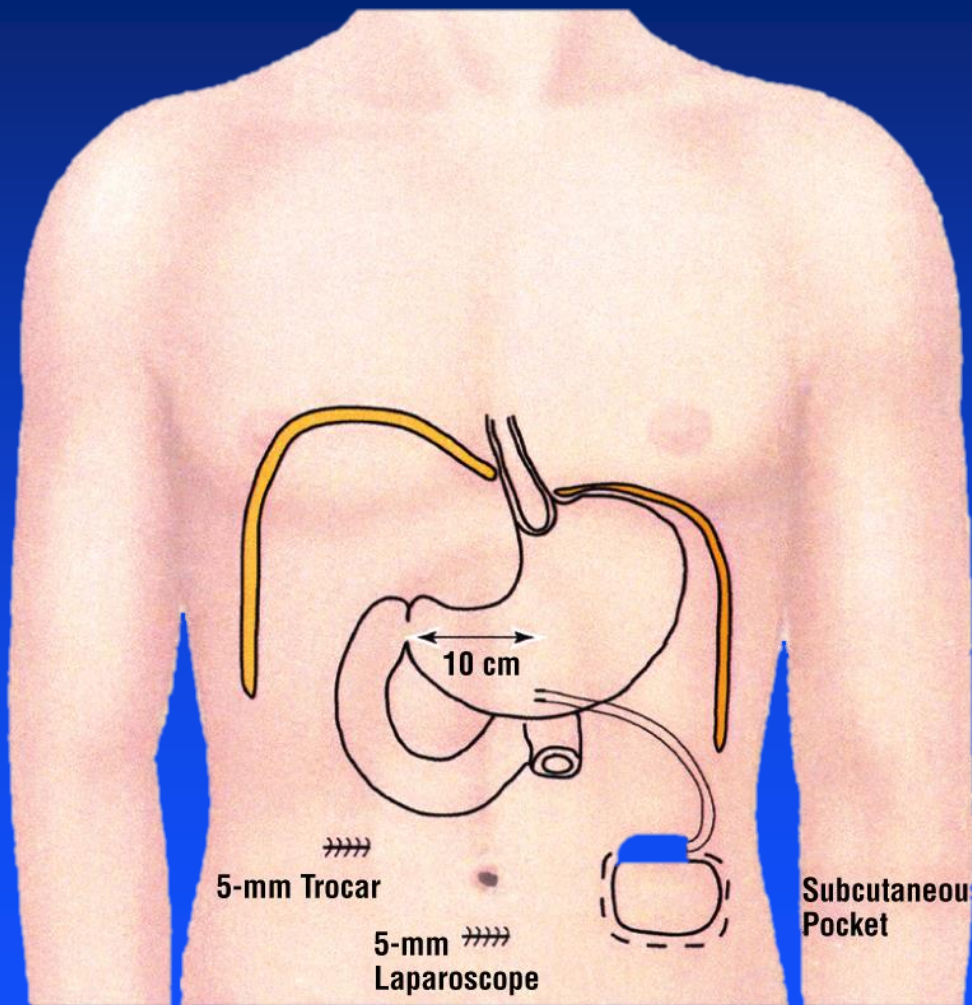
Other Options

- Intrapyloric botulinum toxin injection
- Gastric electrical stimulation
- Surgery
 - Feeding jejunostomy,
 - vending gastrostomy,
 - partial gastrectomy, pyloroplasty

Botulinum toxin injection



Gastric electrical stimulation (GES)



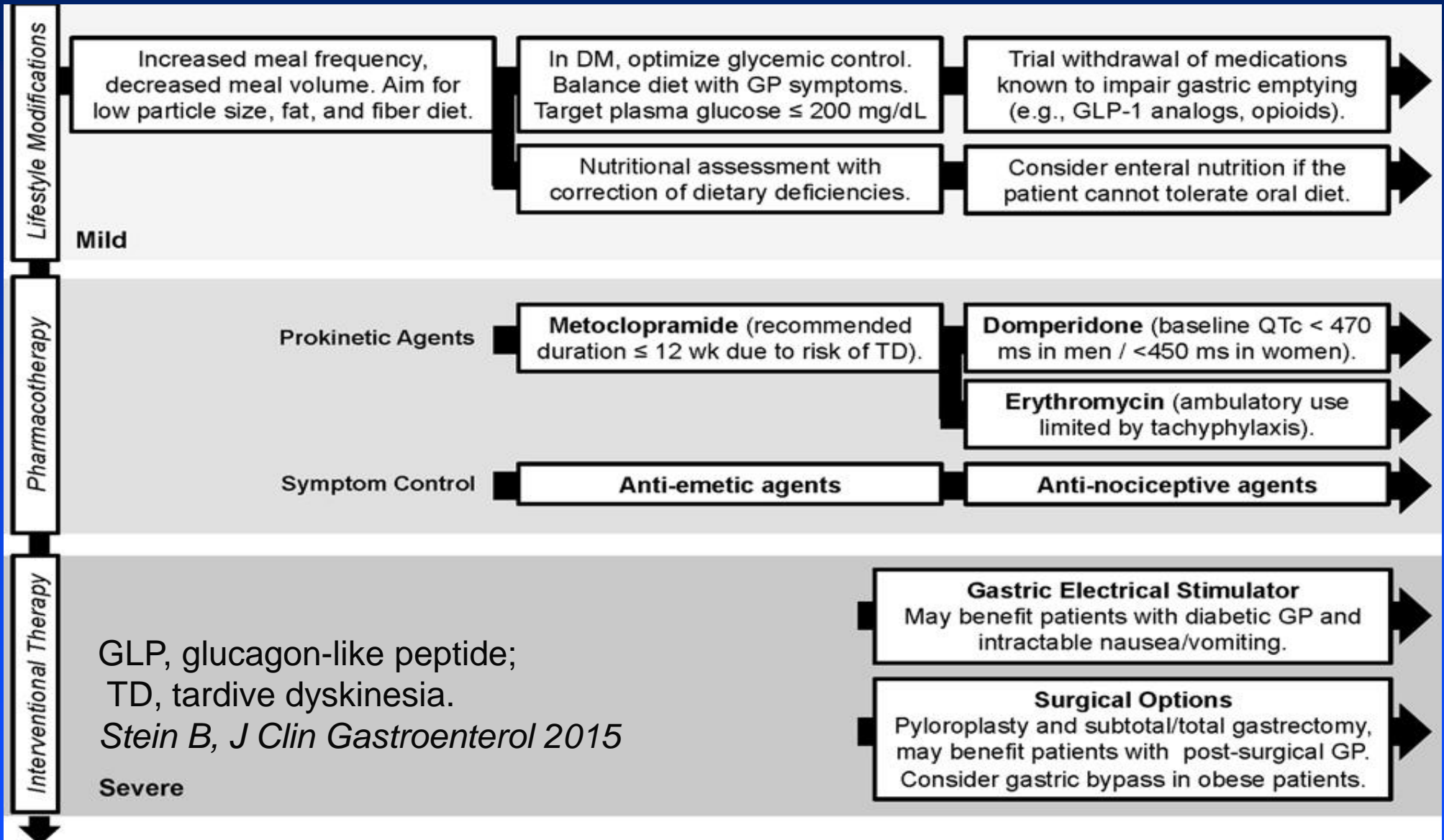
Risk factors for Gastroparesis

- Longstanding duration
- Poor glycemic control
 - Severe hyperglycemia (≥ 270 mg/dL)
- Neuropathy
- Female

Predictive factors?

Factors reduced symptoms	Factors associated with NO reduction
Male sex	Overweight or obesity
Age ≥ 50 y	history of smoking
Initial infectious prodrome	use of pain modulators
antidepressant use	Moderate to severe abdominal pain
4 hr gastric retention $> 20\%$	Moderate to severe depression
	Severe gastroesophageal reflux

Therapeutic options by symptom severity



Summary

Suspected DG



Confirm Dx: GET



Fluid and electrolytes

Dietary modifications: low fat, low fiber

Glucose control



Prokinetics

Anti-emetics (prn)

DG: Diabetic Gastroparesis
GET: Gastric Emptying Time

Summary

**Metoclopramide 5-10mg
tid**



**Domperidone
10mg tid**



Refractory Sx?

Botulinum toxin inj.

GES

Surgery

GES: Gastric electrical stimulation

Thank you for your attention



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