

Do sugars cause chronic metabolic diseases?

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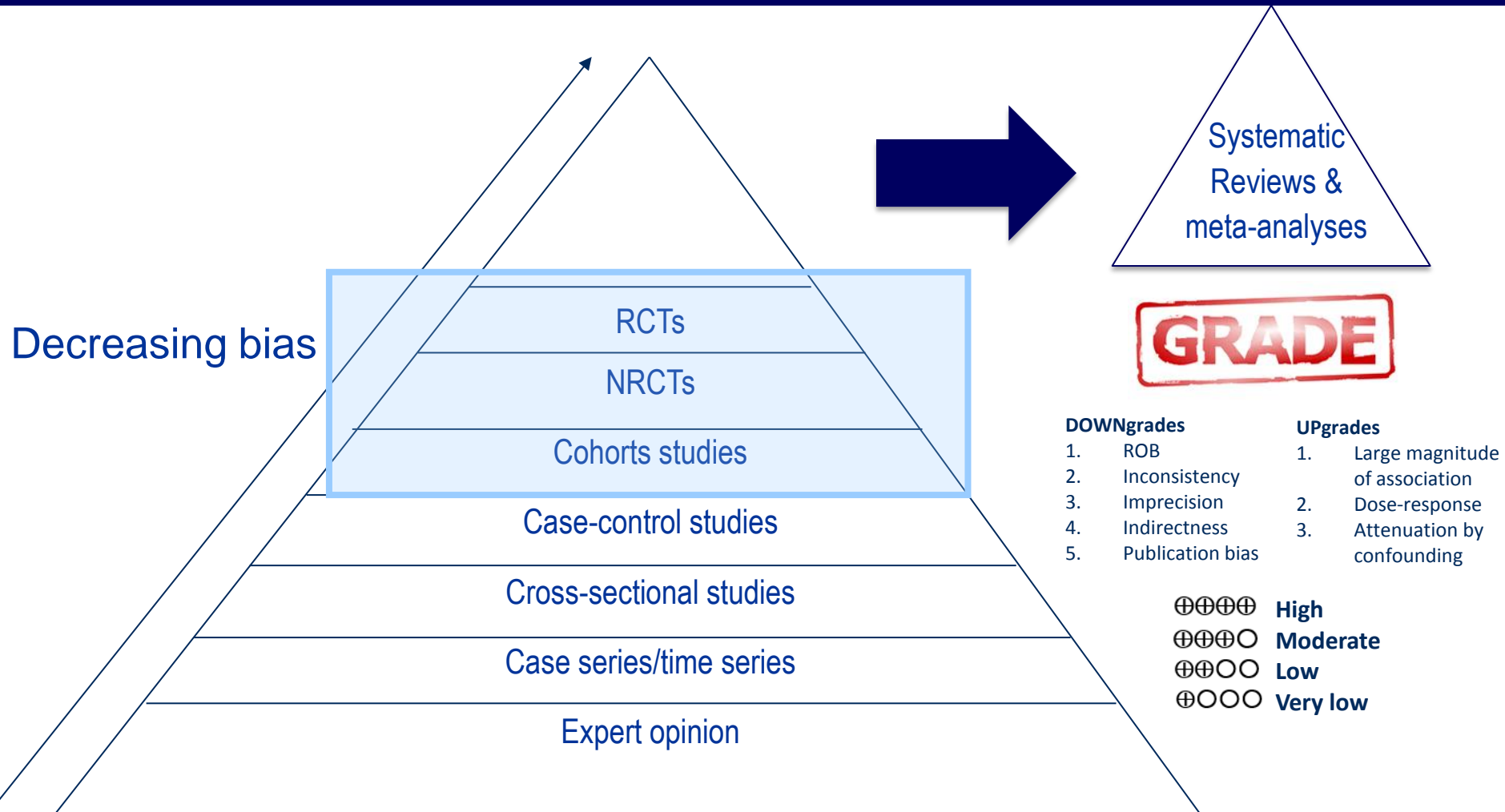


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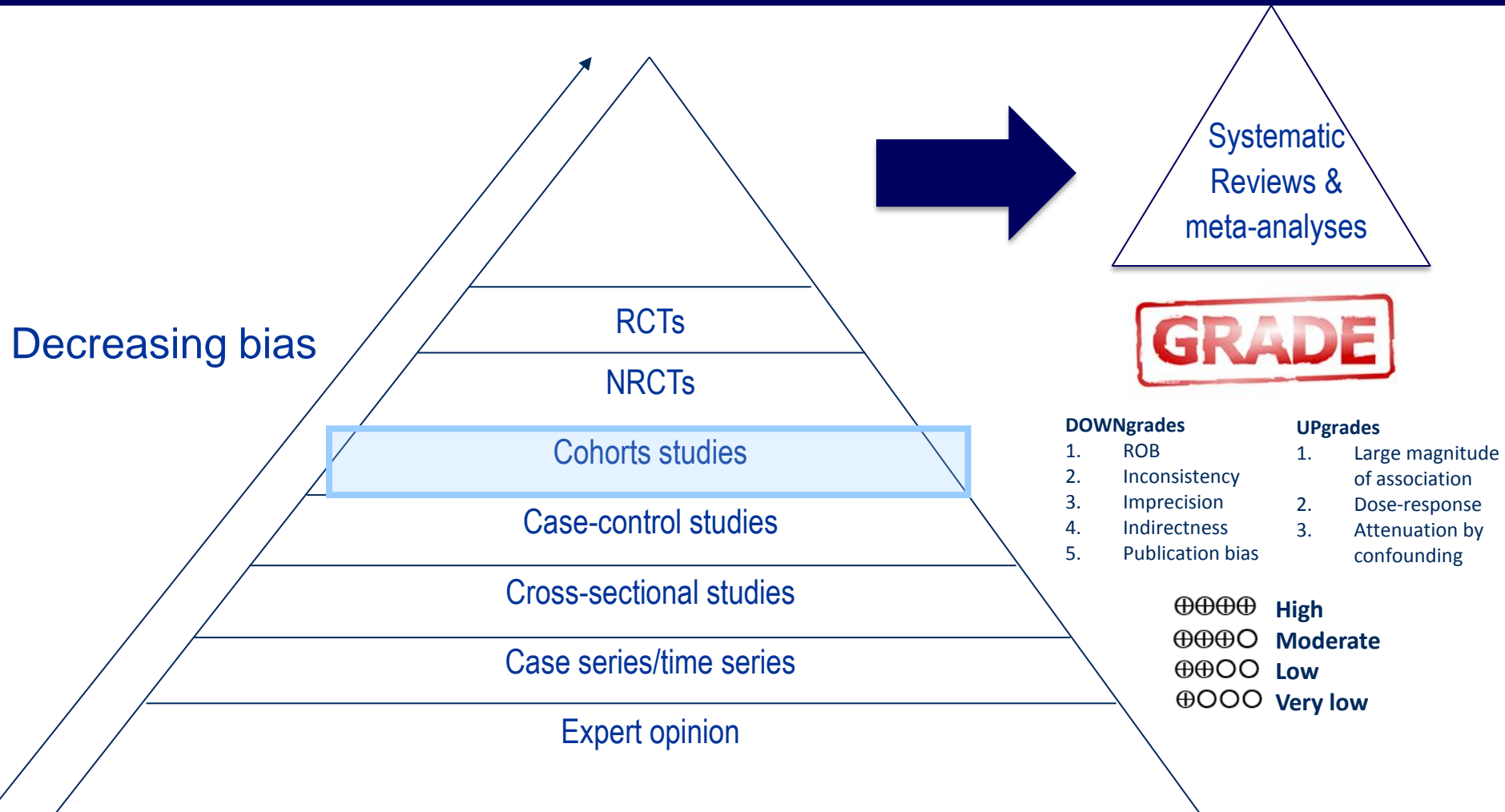


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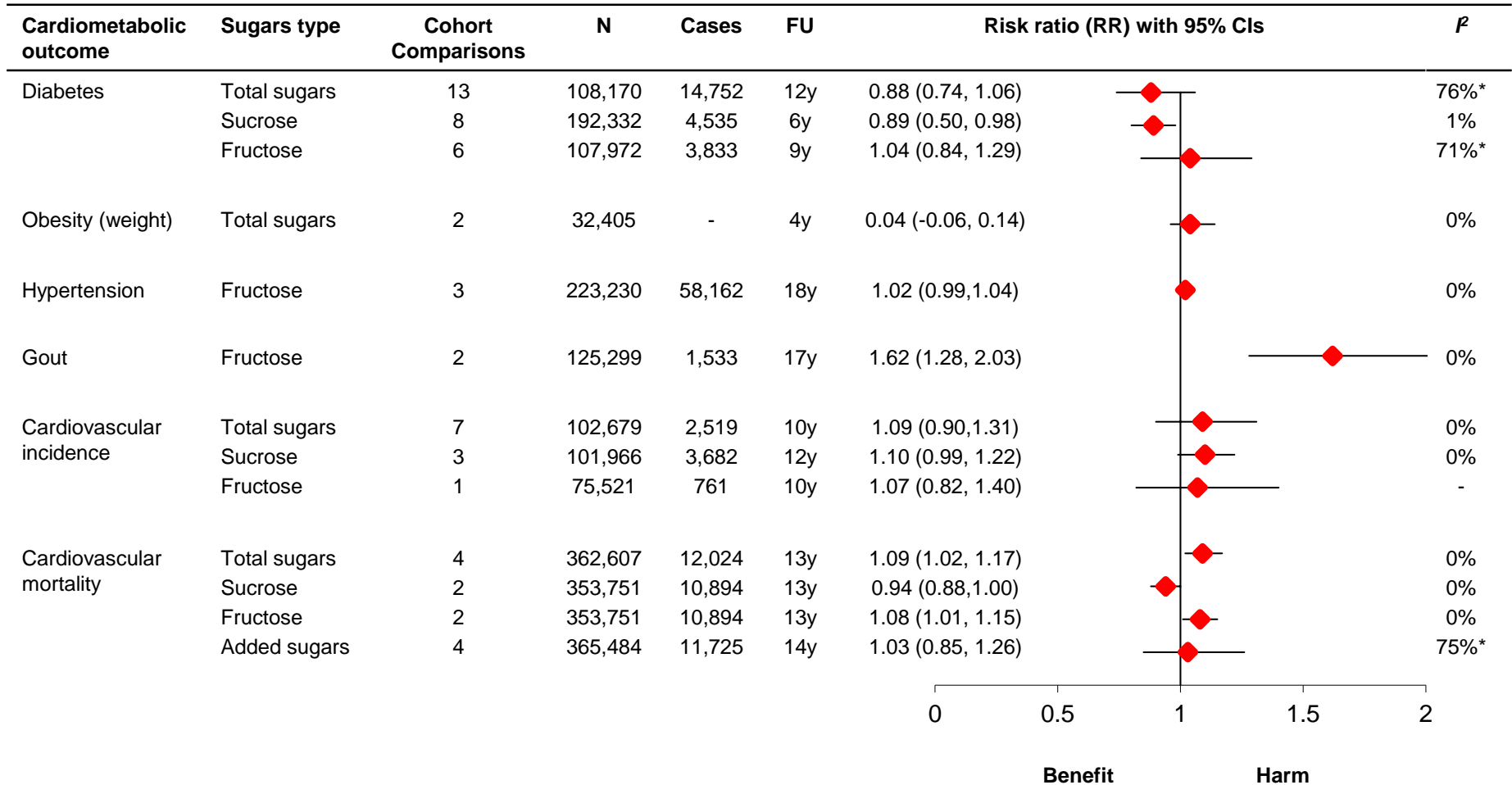
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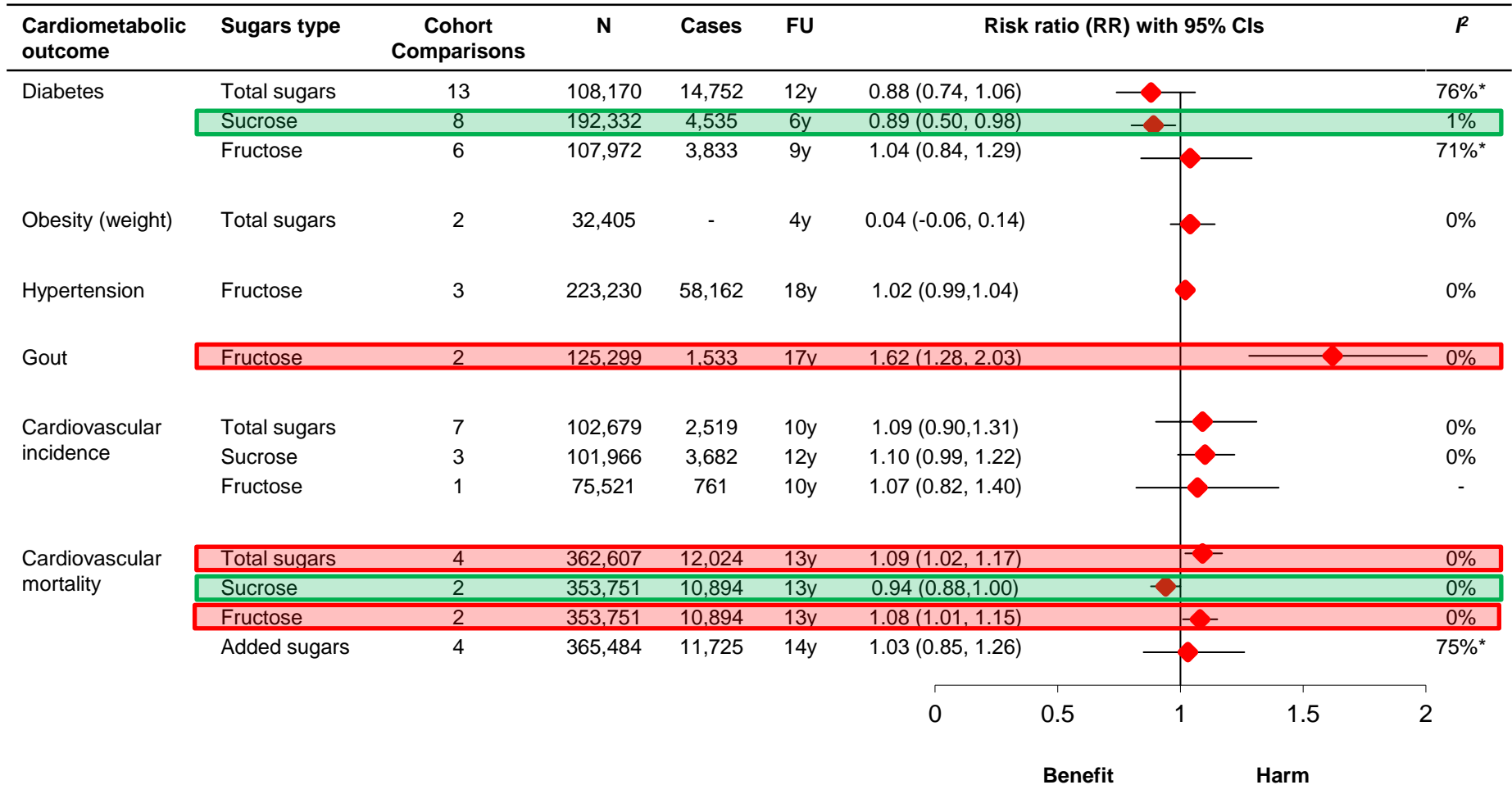
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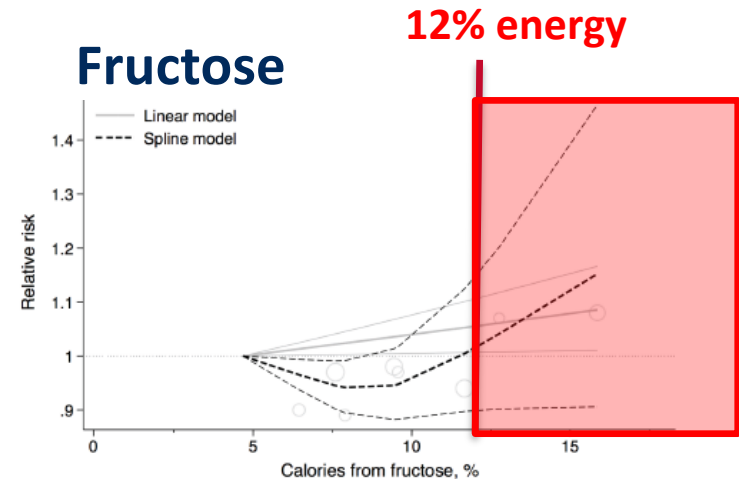
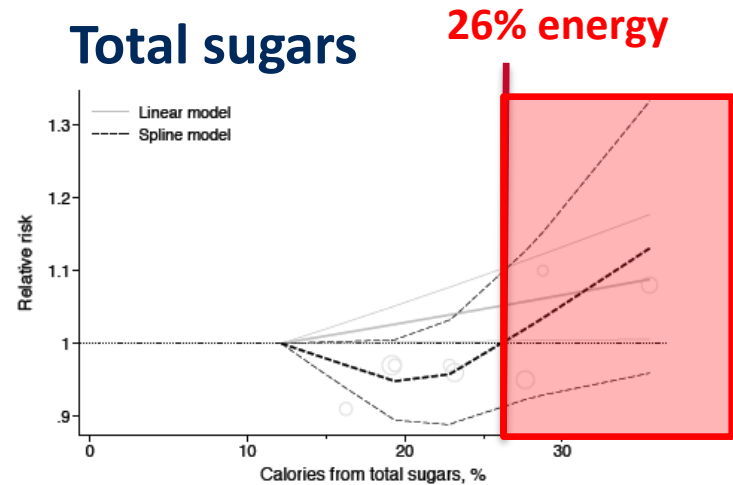


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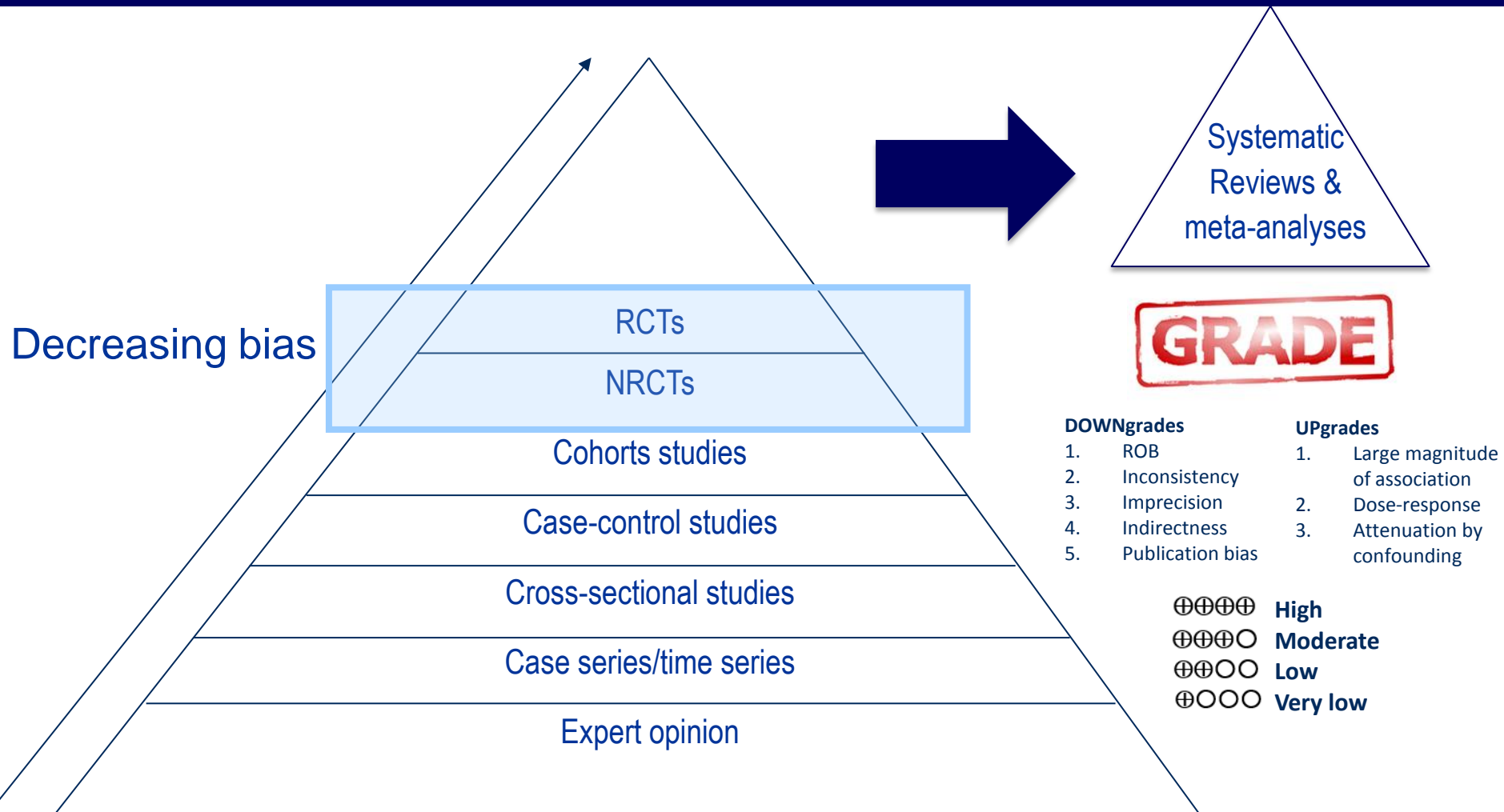


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Cardiometabolic outcome	Sugars type	Cohort Comparisons	N	Cases	FU	OR
Diabetes	Total sugars	13	108,170	14,752	12y	0.88
	Sucrose	8	192,332	4,535	6y	0.88
	Fructose	6	107,972	3,833	9y	1.04
Obesity (weight)	Total sugars	2	32,405	-	4y	0.04
Hypertension	Fructose	3	223,230	58,162	18y	1.02
Gout	Fructose	2	125,299	1,533	17y	1.62
Cardiovascular incidence	Total sugars	7	102,679	2,519	10y	1.08
	Sucrose	3	101,966	3,682	12y	1.10
	Fructose	1	75,521	761	10y	1.07
Cardiovascular mortality	Total sugars	4	362,607	12,024	13y	1.08
	Sucrose	2	353,751	10,894	13y	0.94
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	Added sugars	4	365,484	11,725	14y	1.03



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2 trial designs: To interpret results, follow the energy...

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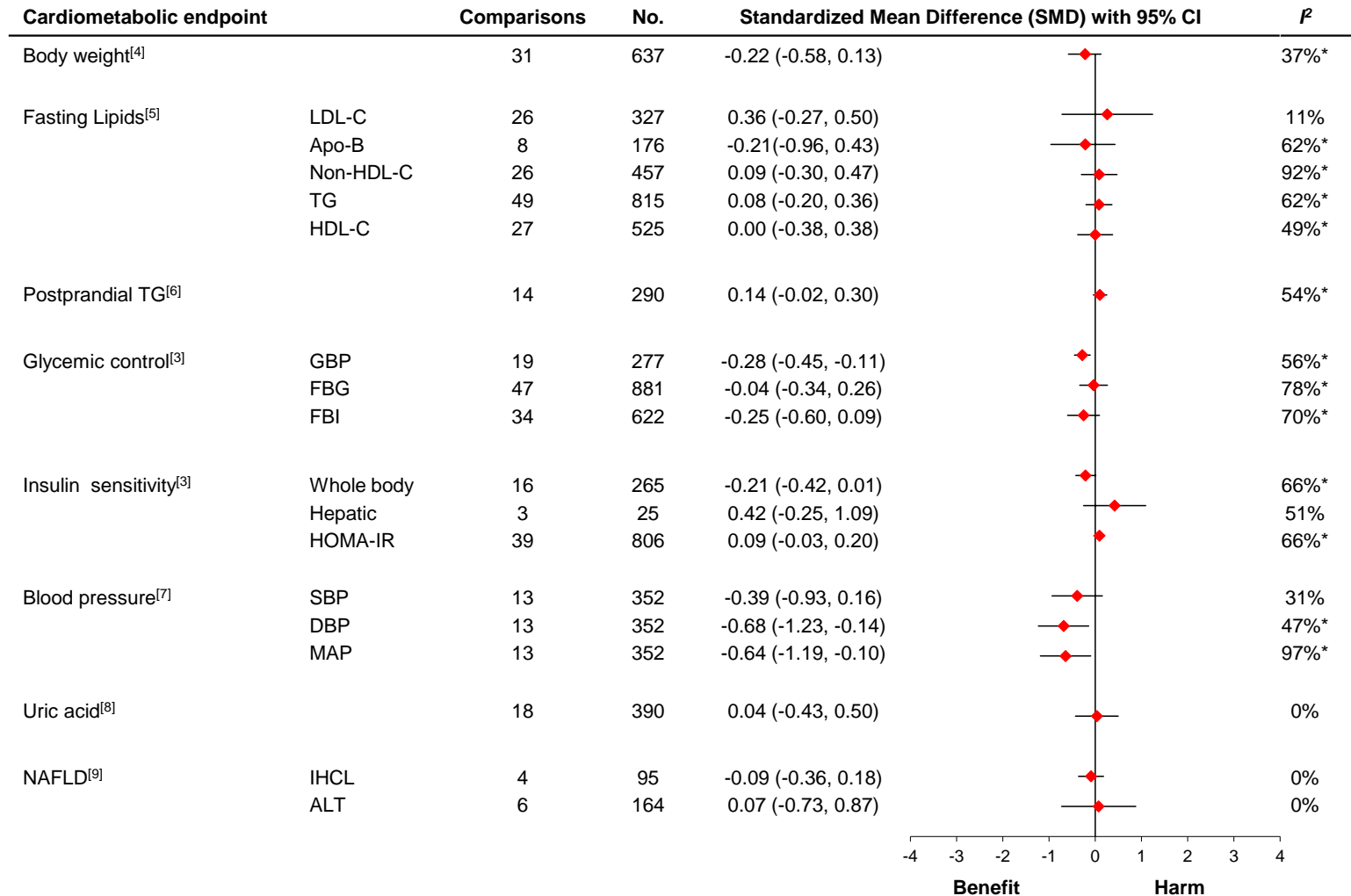
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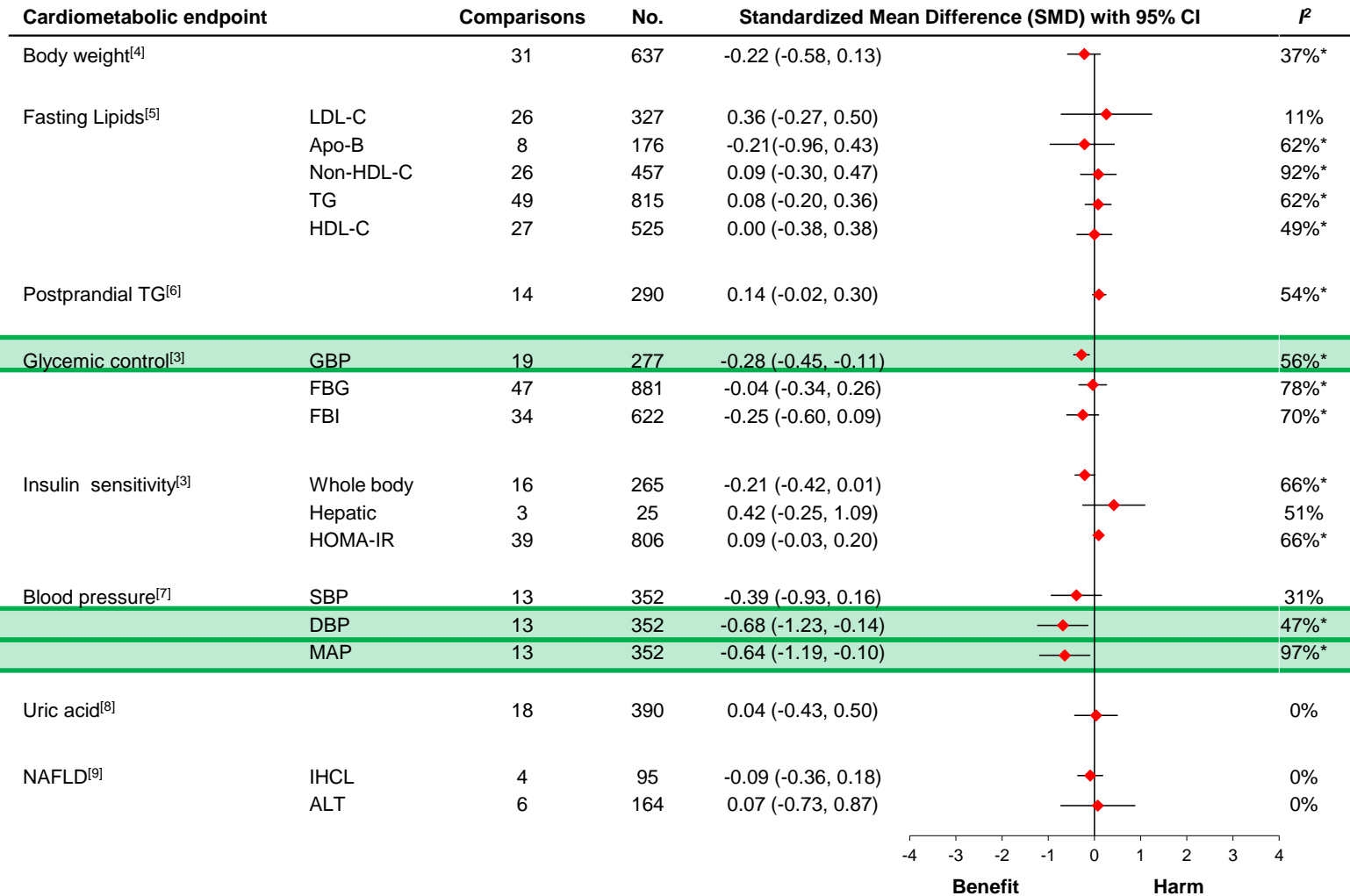
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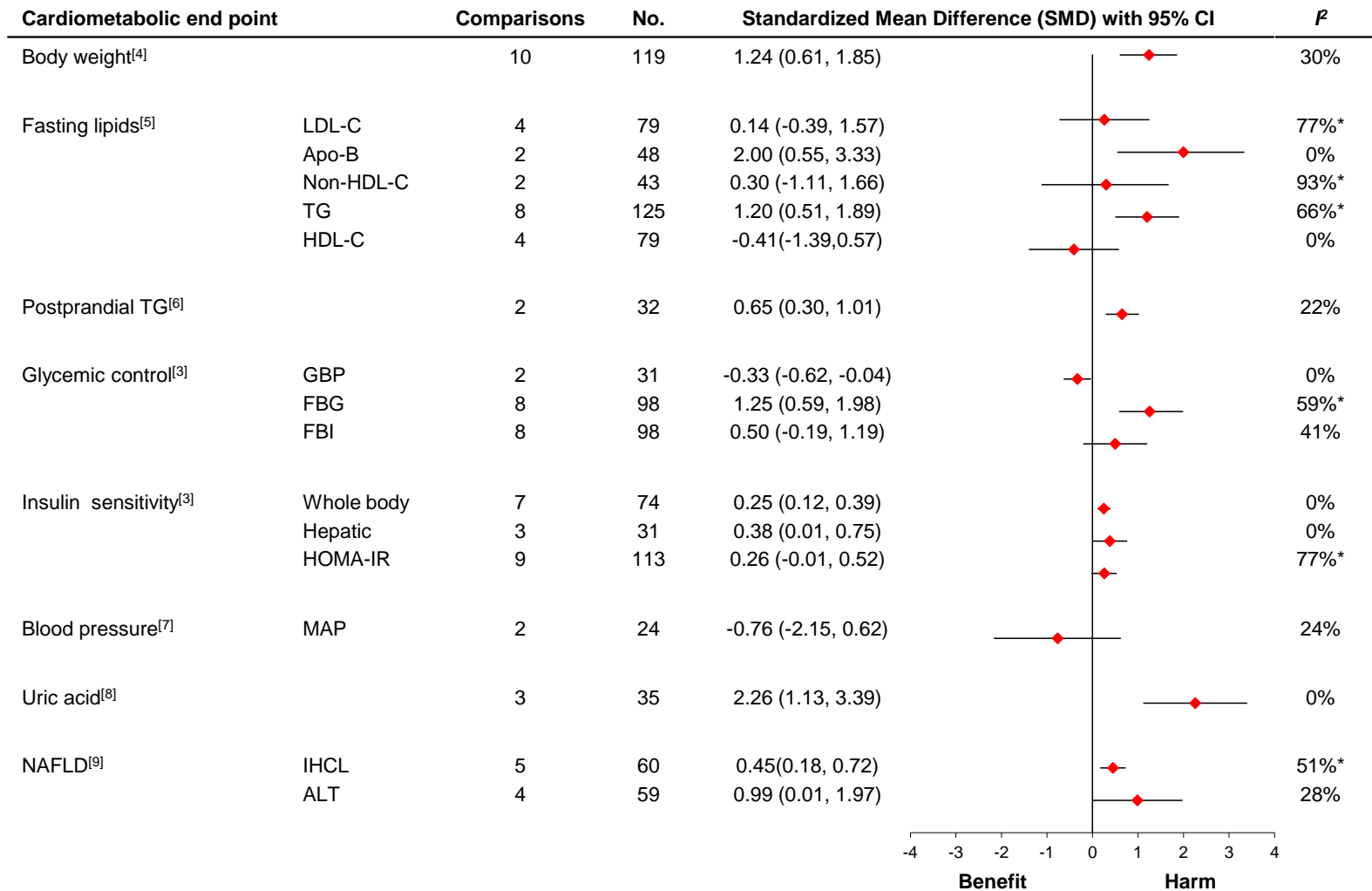
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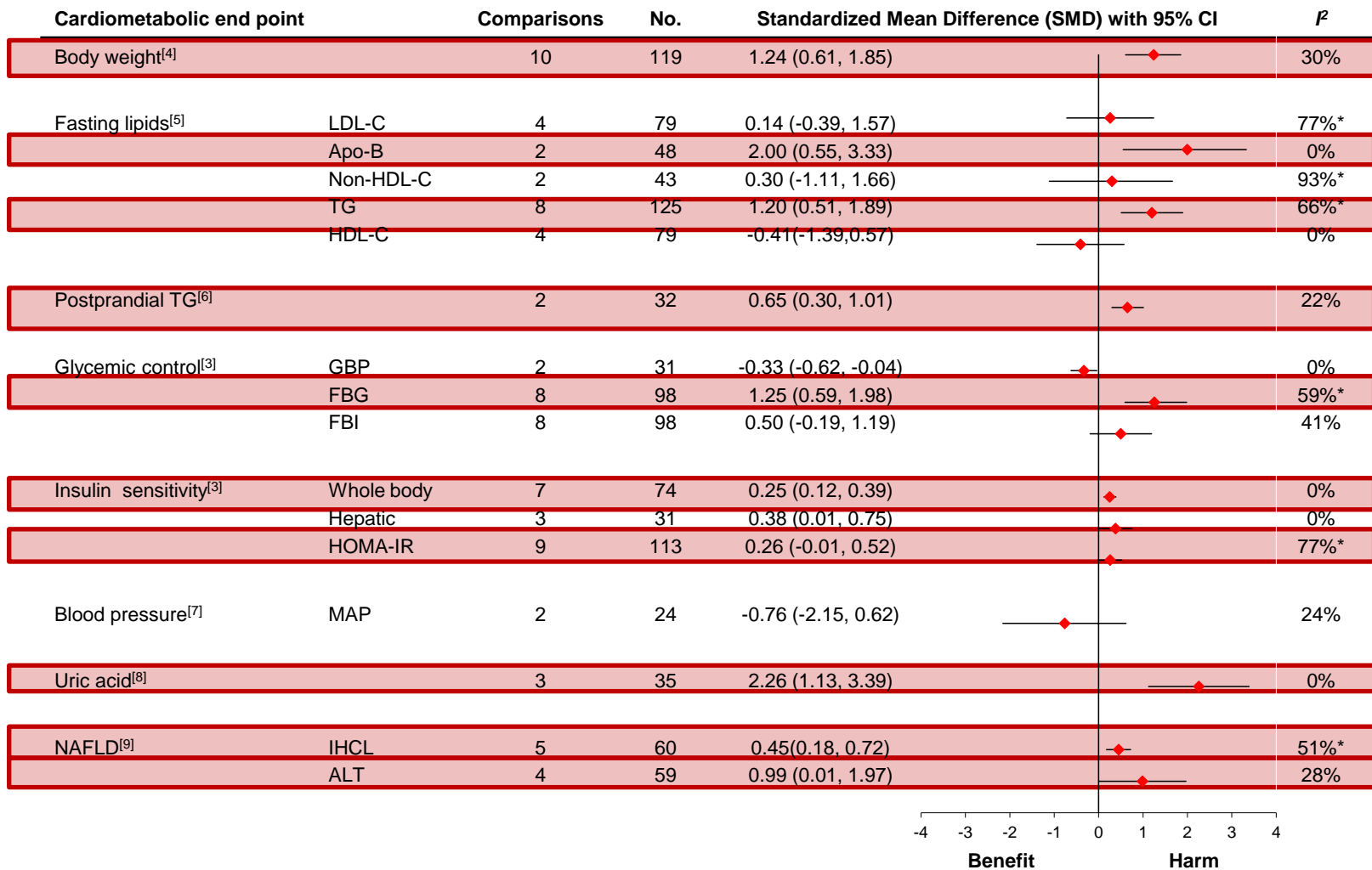
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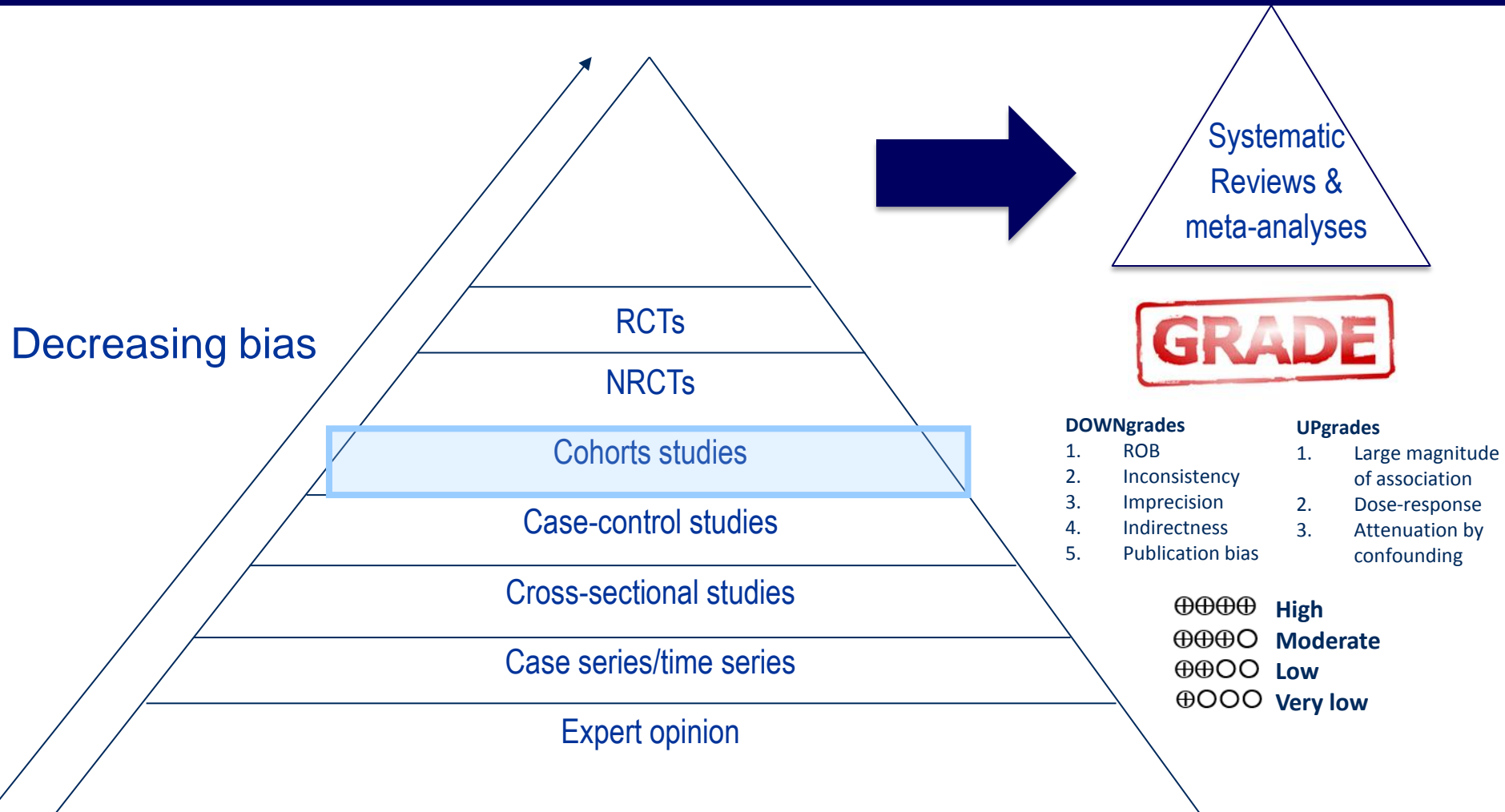


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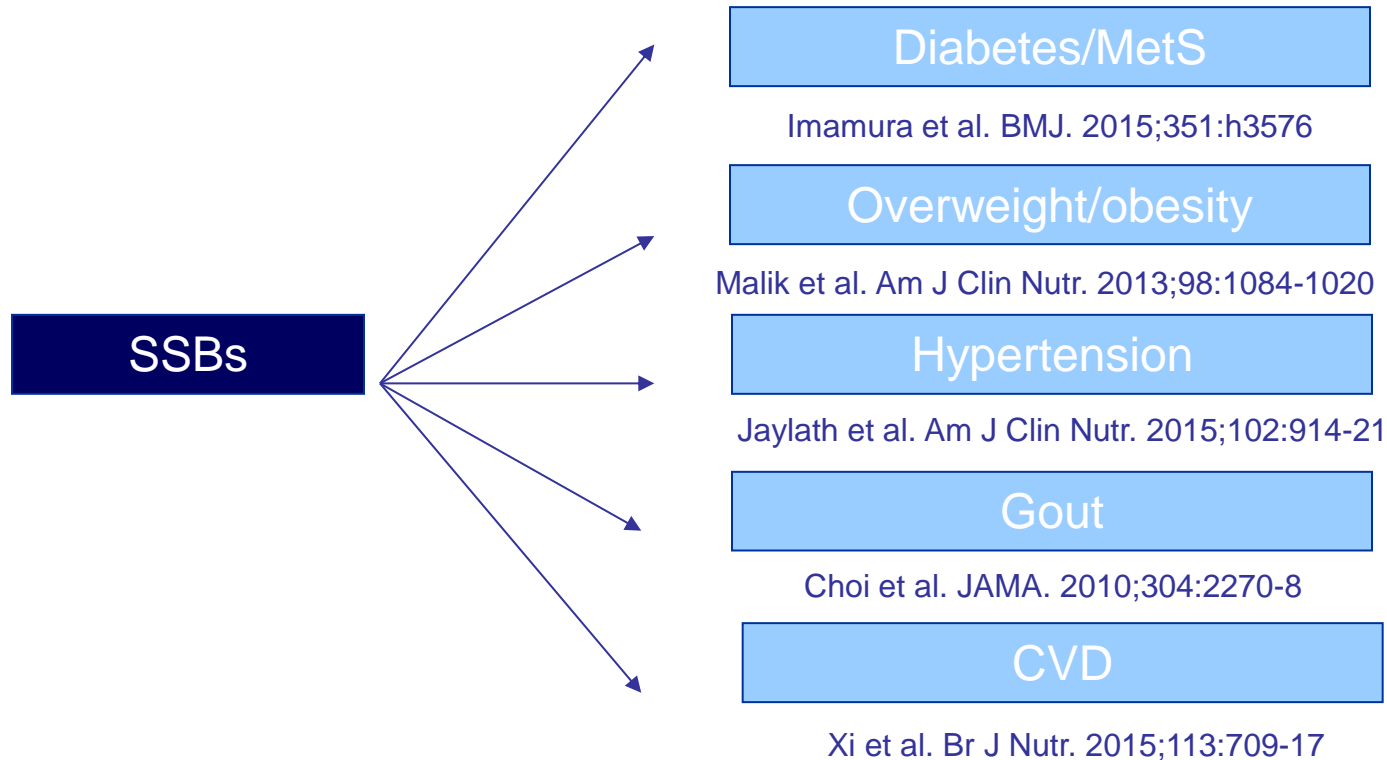
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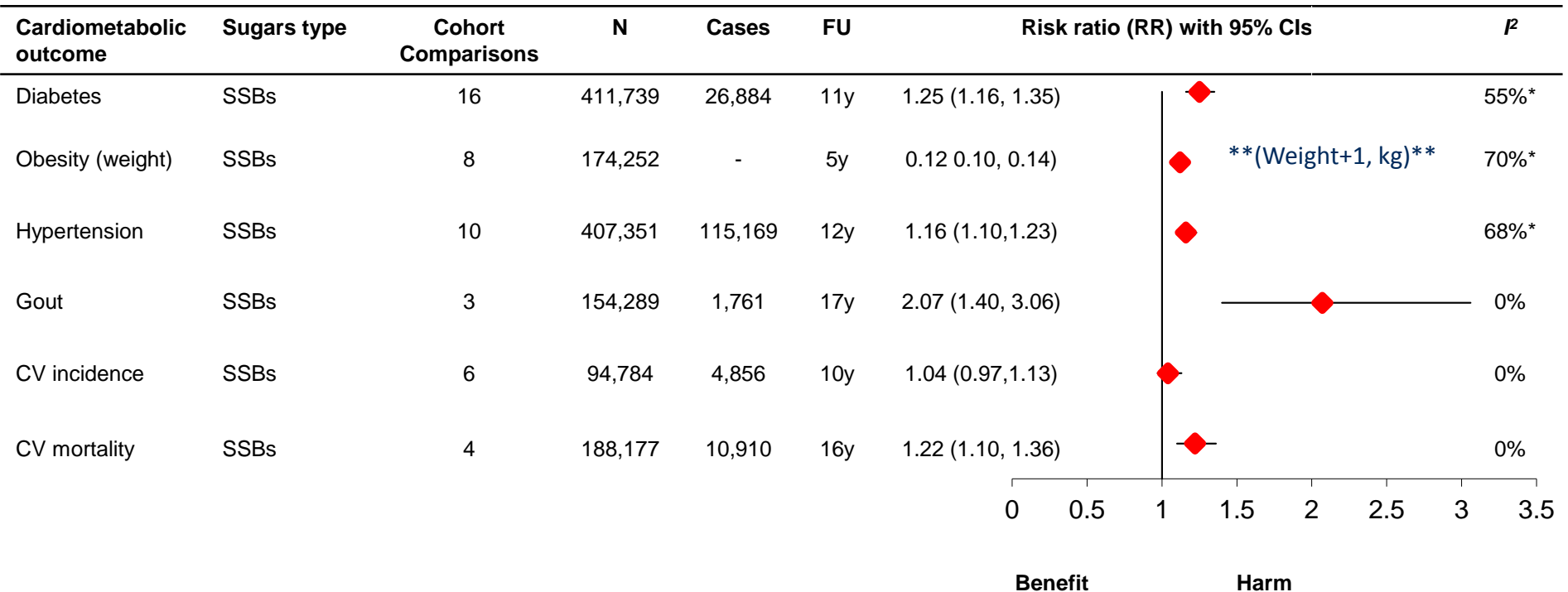
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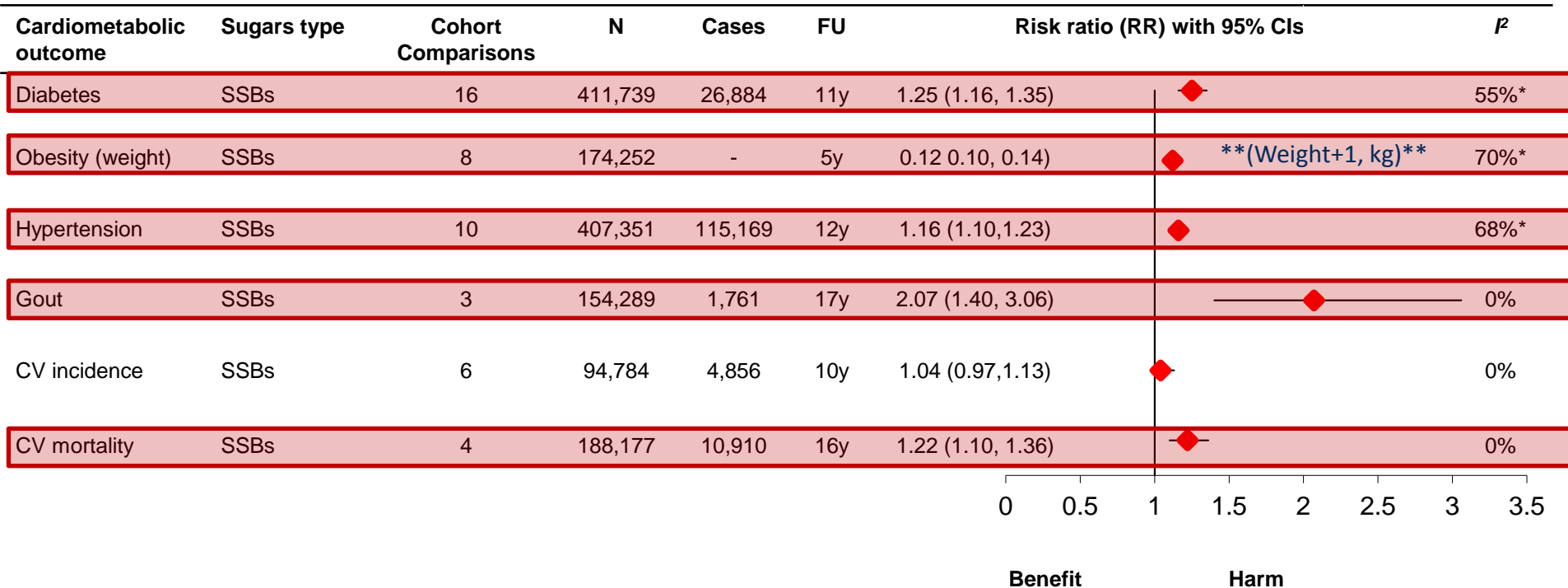
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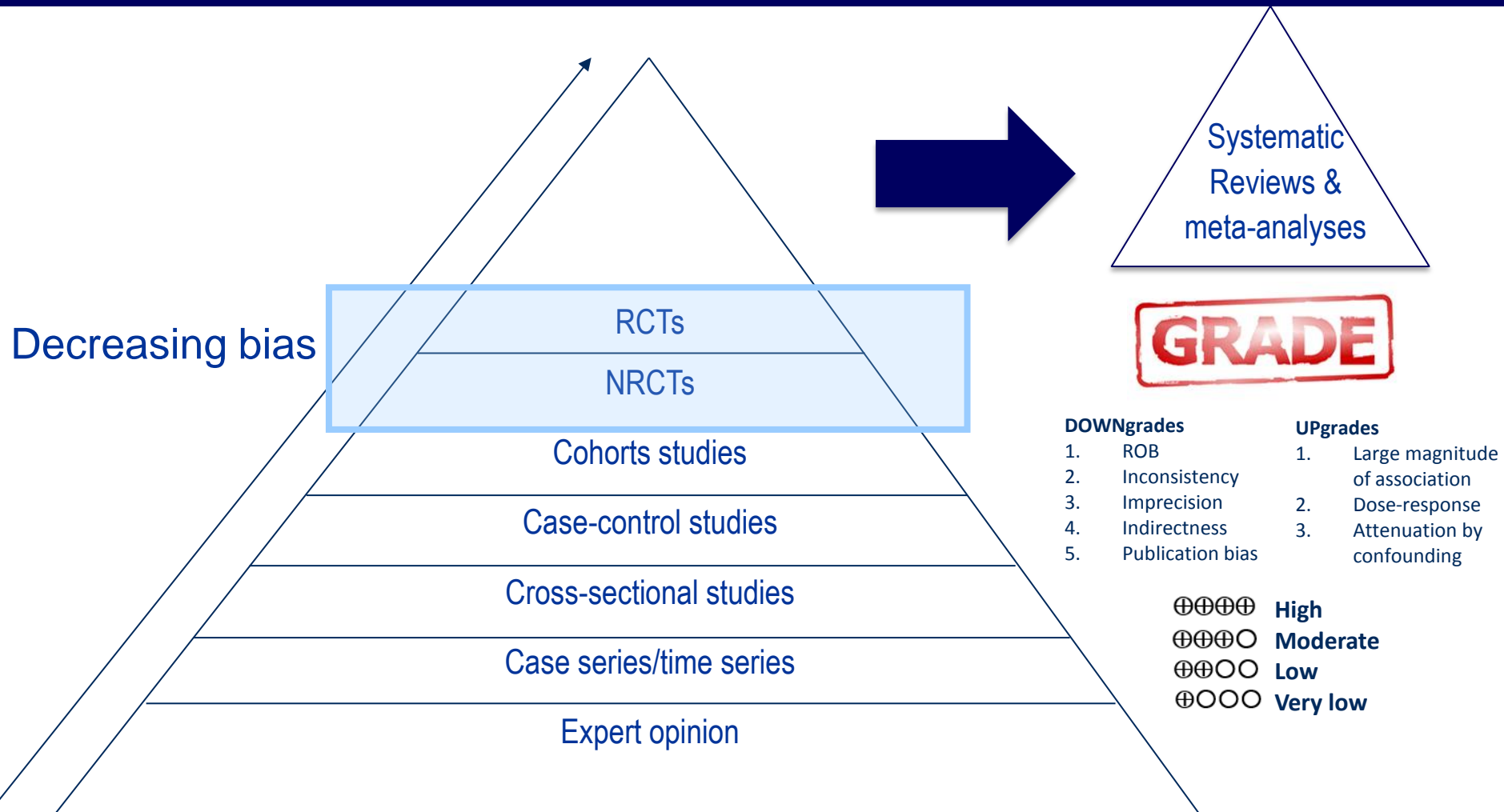
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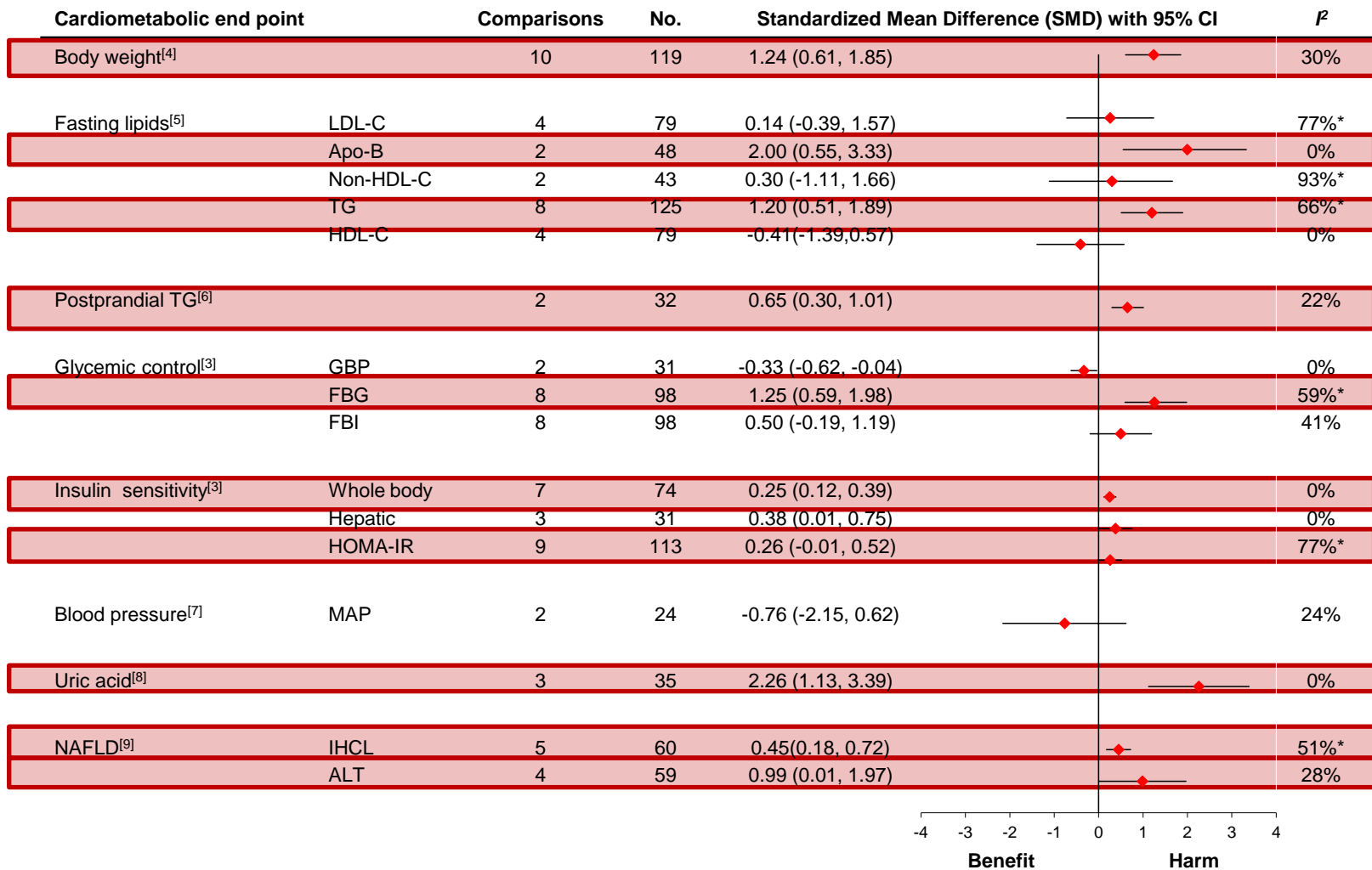


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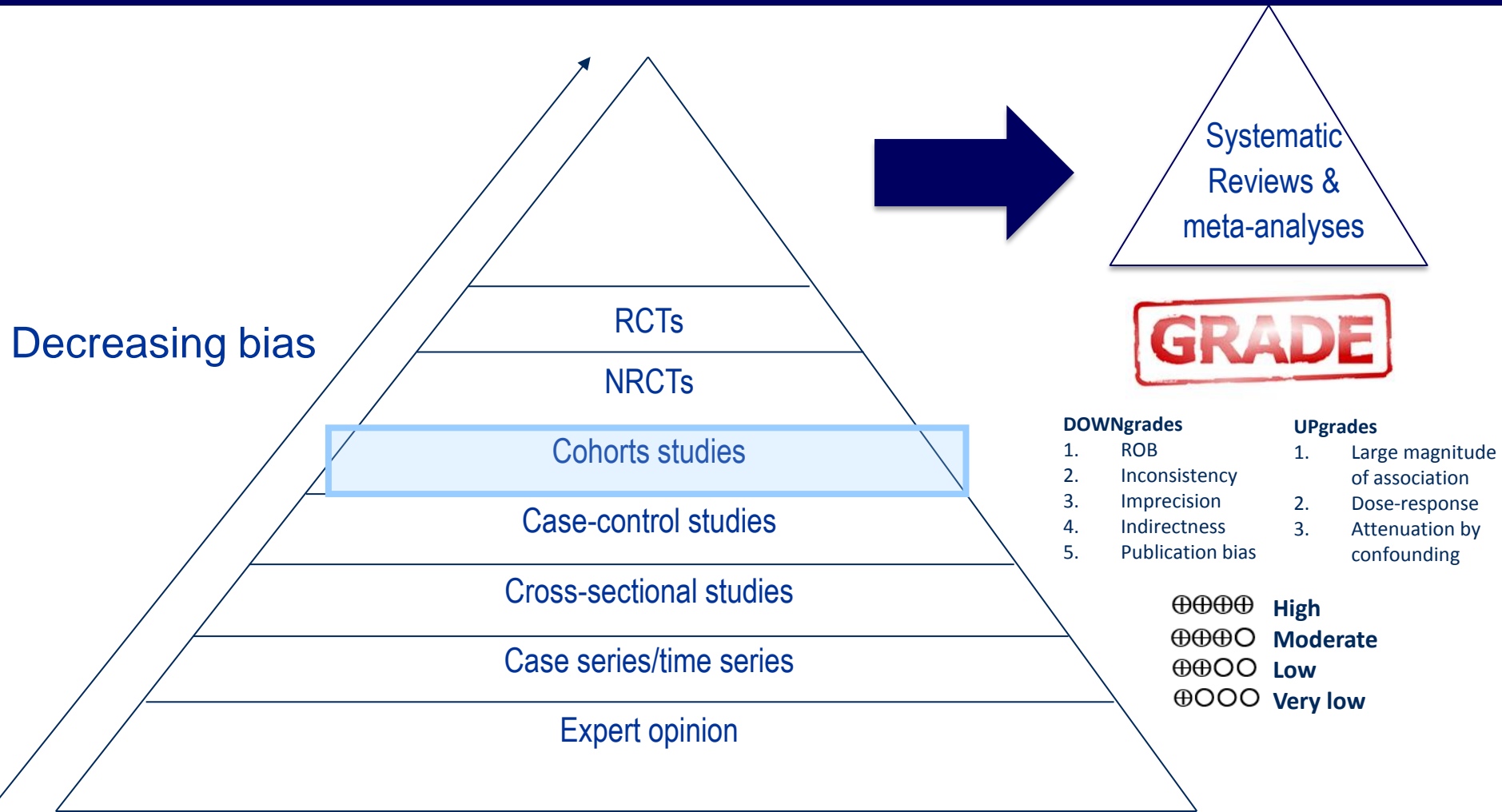


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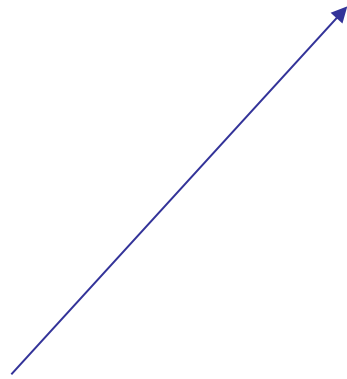
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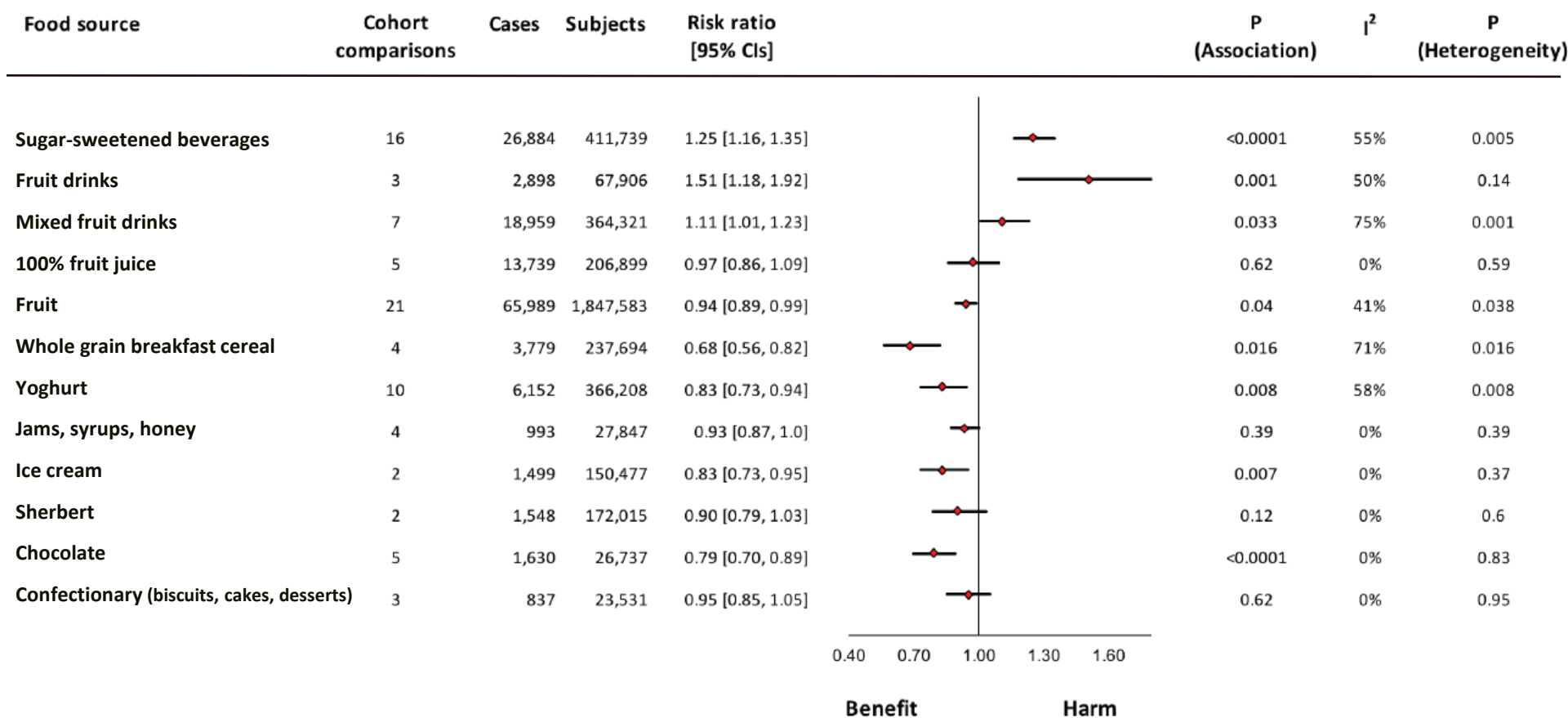
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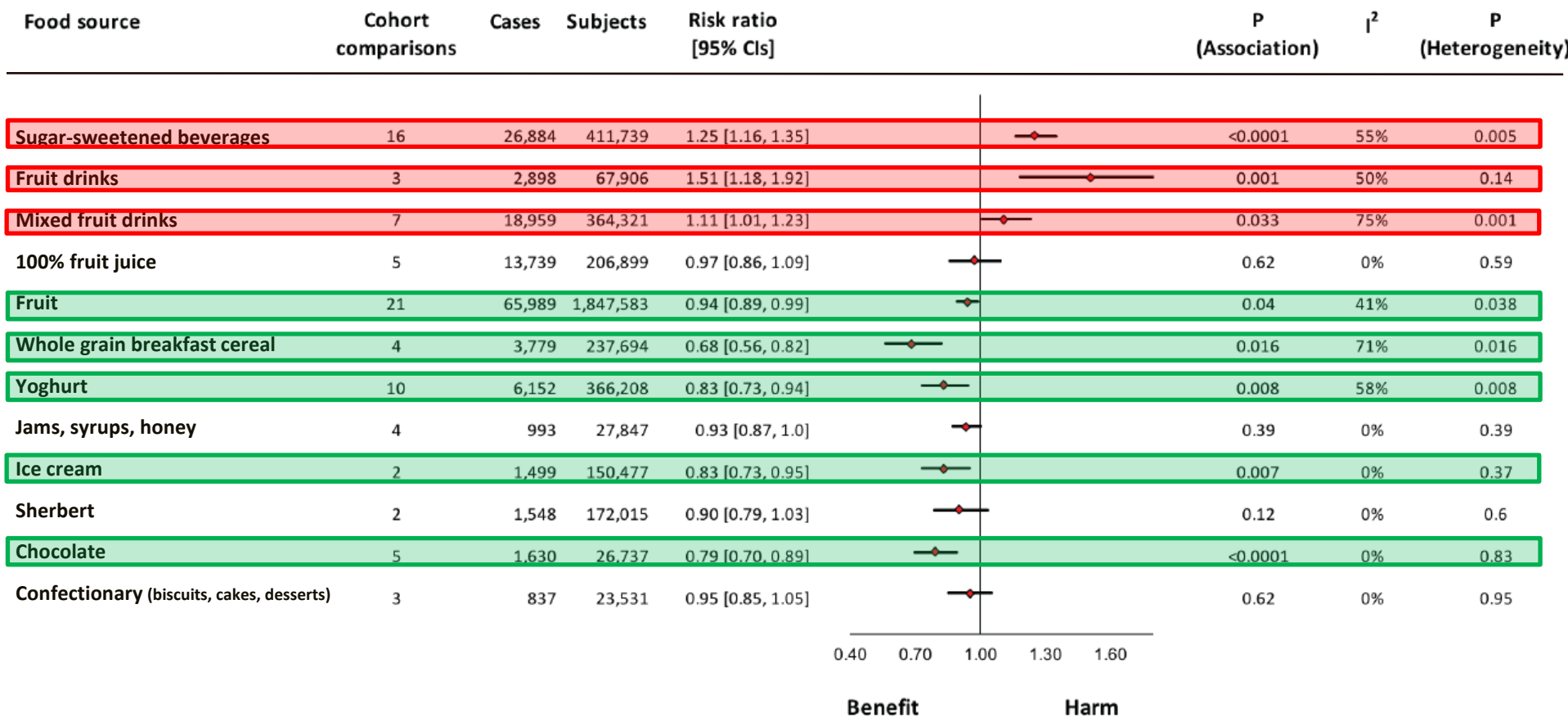
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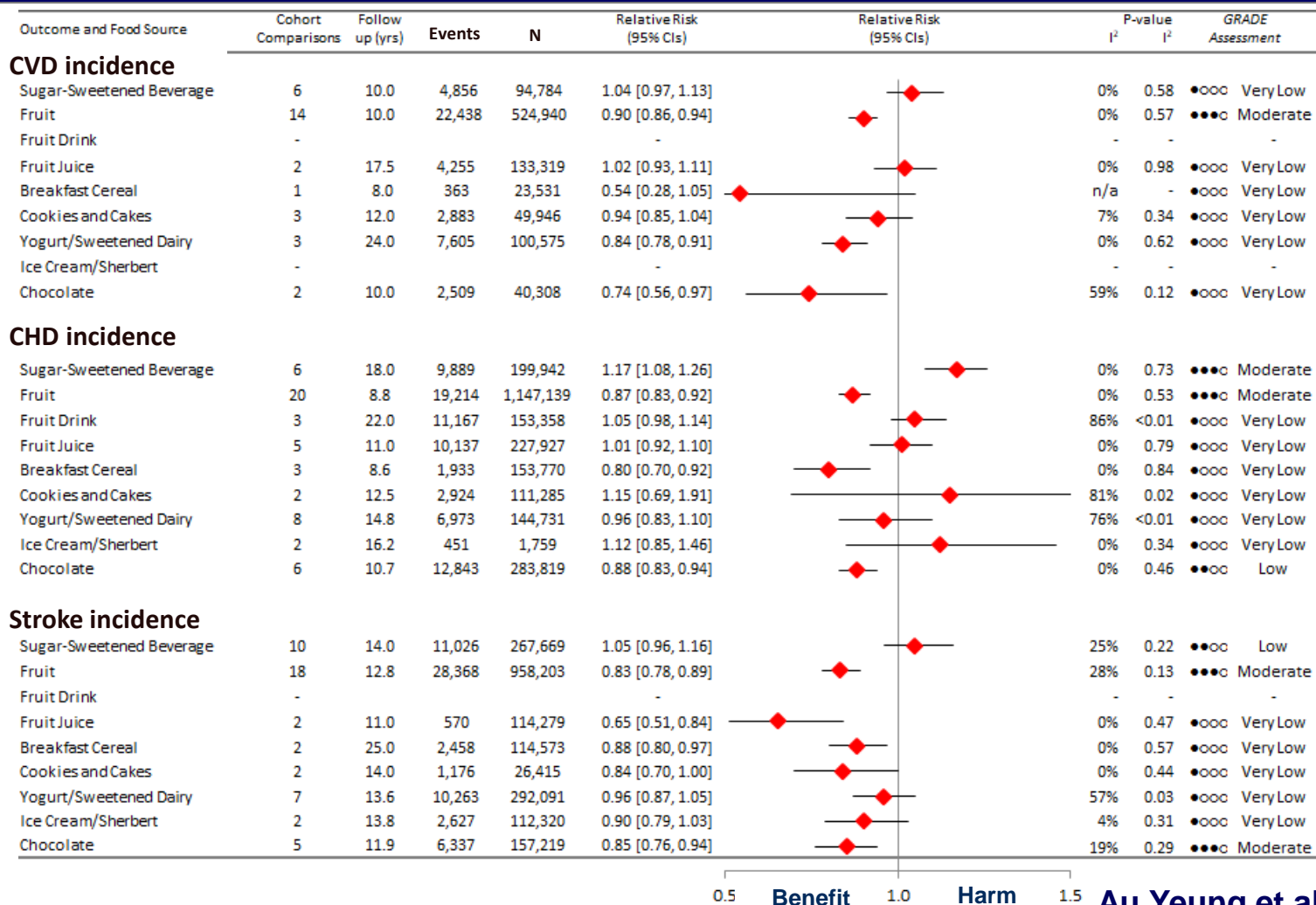
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CVD incidence									
Sugar-Sweetened Beverage	6	10.0	4,856	94,784	1.04 [0.97, 1.13]		0%	0.58	●○○○ VeryLow
Fruit	14	10.0	22,438	524,940	0.90 [0.86, 0.94]		0%	0.57	●●●○ Moderate
Fruit Drink	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fruit Juice	2	17.5	4,255	133,319	1.02 [0.93, 1.11]		0%	0.98	●○○○ VeryLow
Breakfast Cereal	1	8.0	363	23,531	0.54 [0.28, 1.05]		n/a	-	●○○○ VeryLow
Cookies and Cakes	3	12.0	2,883	49,946	0.94 [0.85, 1.04]		7%	0.34	●○○○ VeryLow
Yogurt/Sweetened Dairy	3	24.0	7,605	100,575	0.84 [0.78, 0.91]		0%	0.62	●○○○ VeryLow
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Sugar-Sweetened Beverage	6	18.0	9,889	199,942	1.17 [1.08, 1.26]		0%	0.73	●●●○ Moderate
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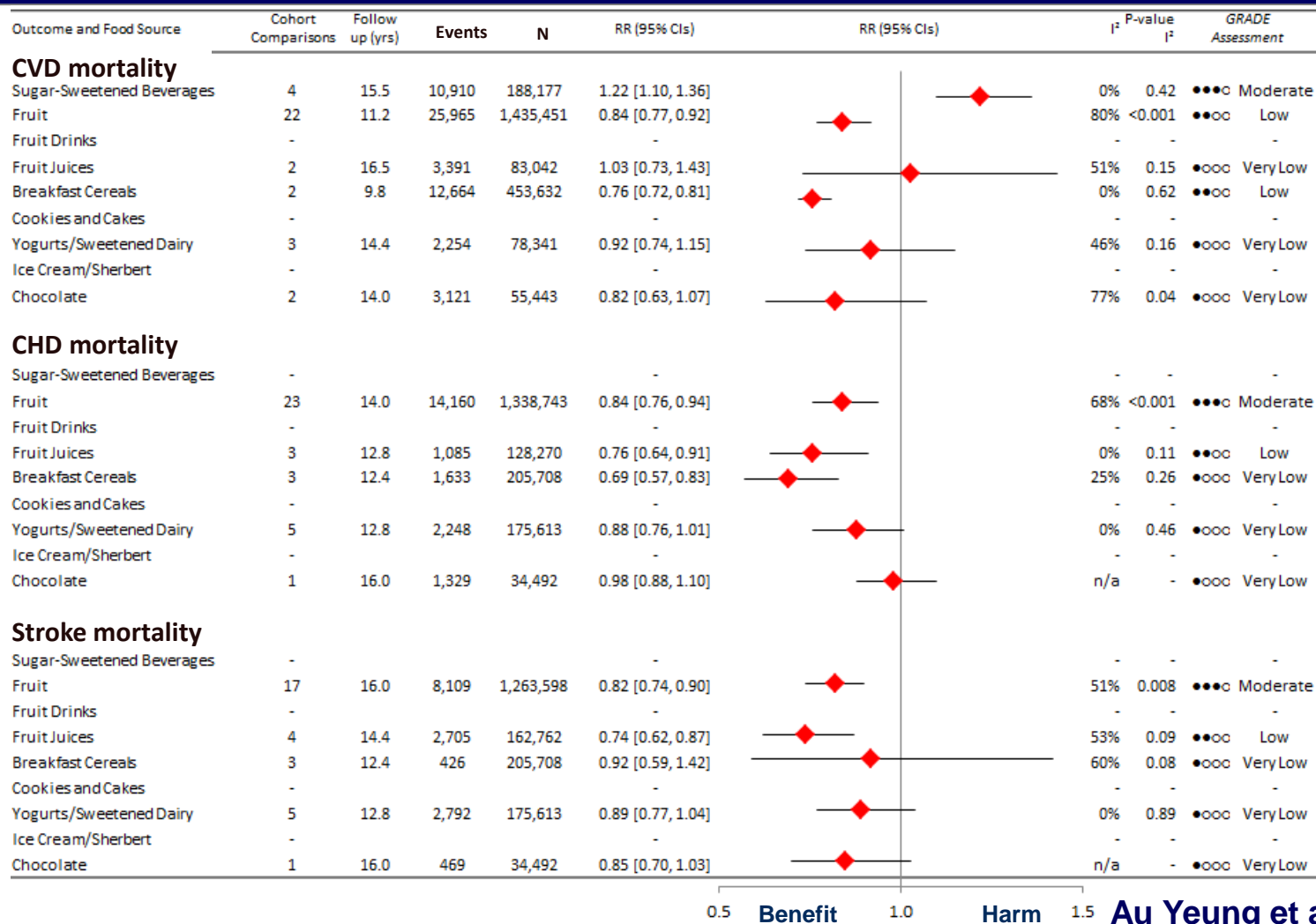
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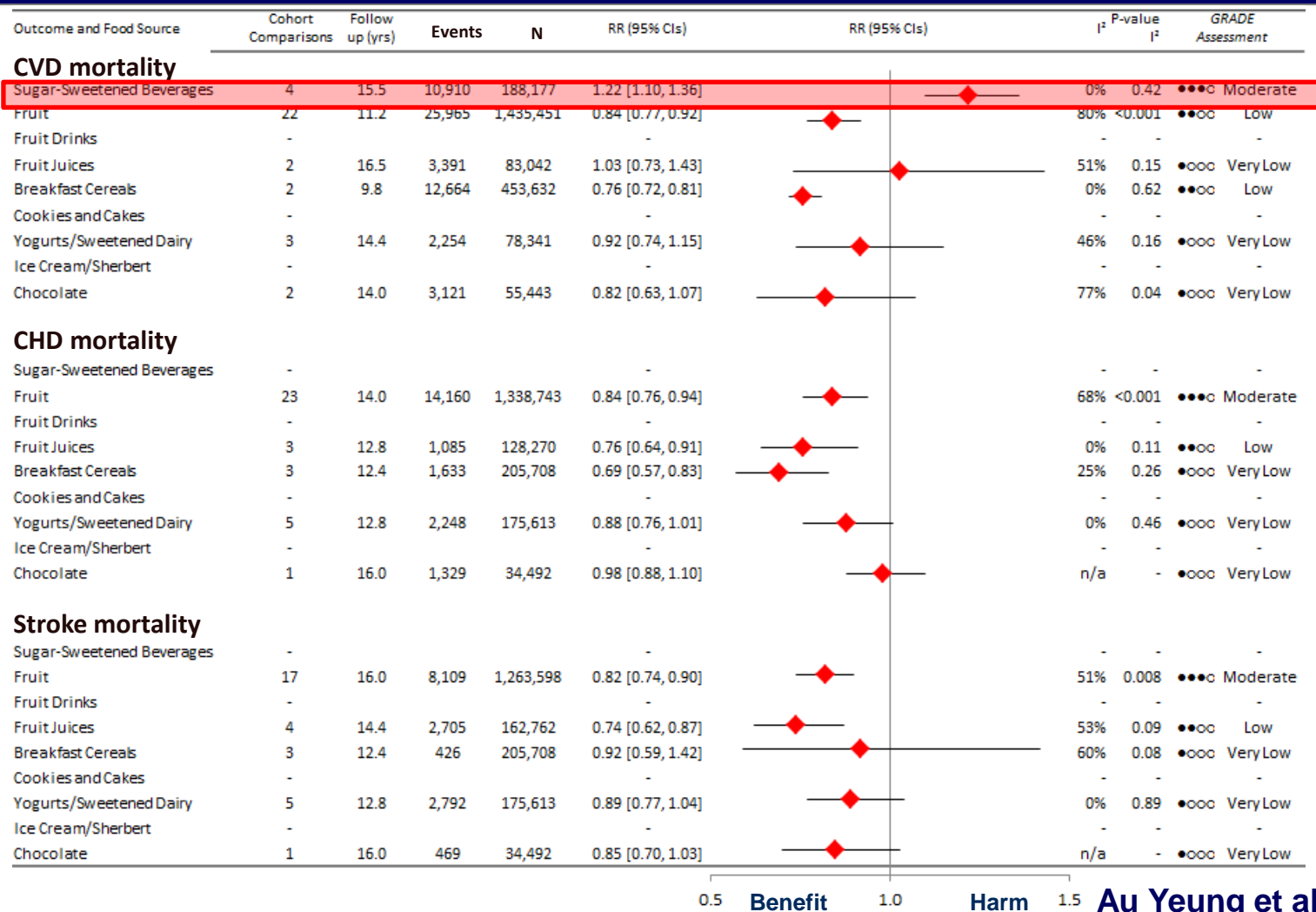
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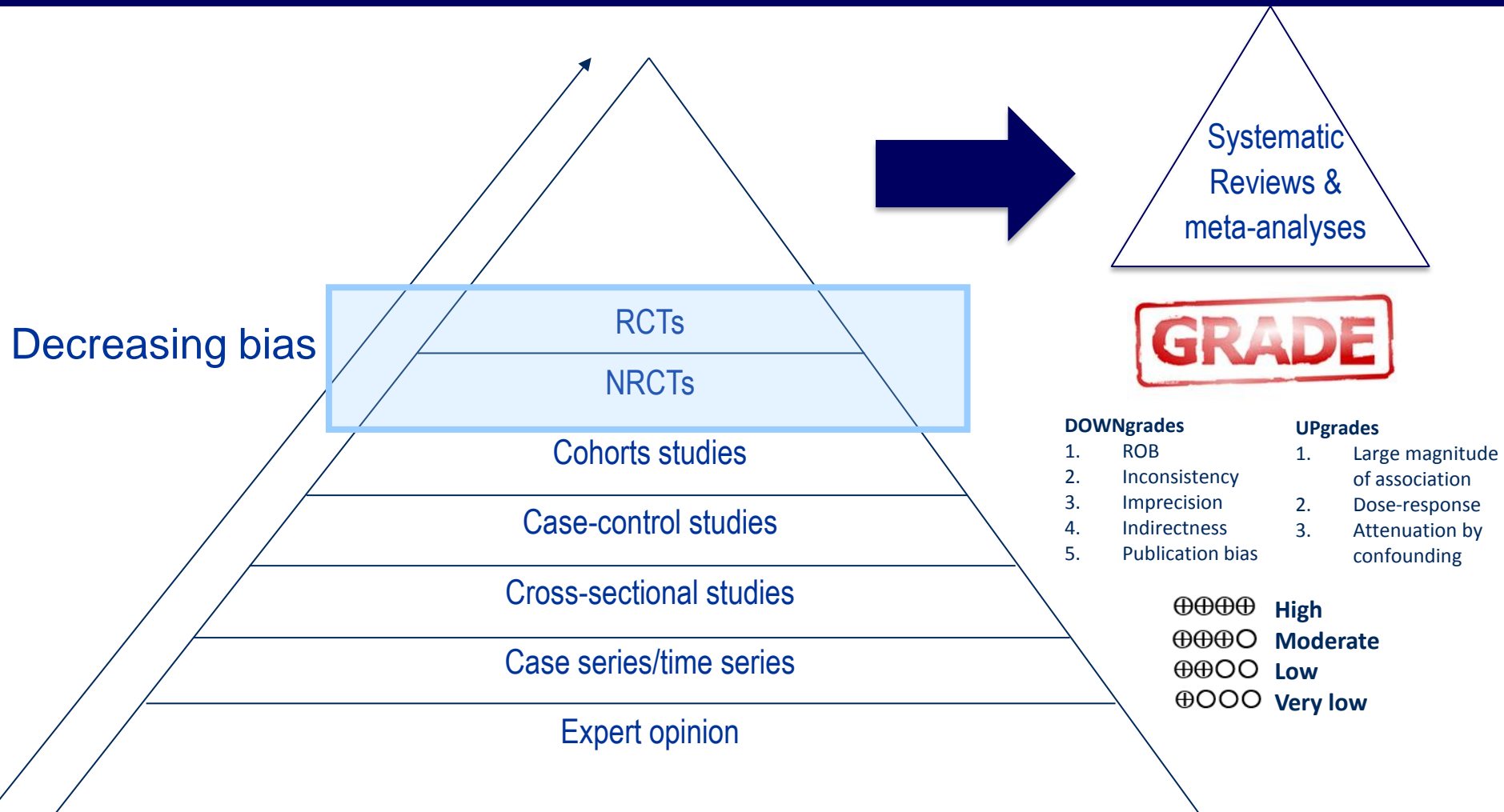
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Au Yeung et al., unpublished.

Blood pressure

Liu et al., unpublished

Uric acid

Ayoub Charette et al., unpublished

Glycemic control

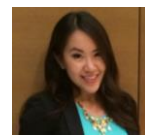
Choo et al., submitted

Postprandial lipids

Au Yeung et al., unpublished.

NAFLD

Au Yeung et al., unpublished.



4 trial designs: To interpret results, follow the energy...

“Substitution trials” = Energy from sugars substituted for other sources of energy in the diet



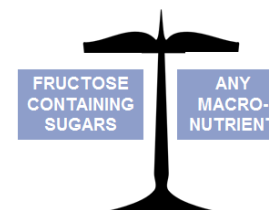
“Addition trials” = Energy from sugars “added” to the diet



“Subtraction trials” = Energy from sugars “subtracted” from the diet







“Ad libitum trials” = Energy from sugars is freely replaced with other macronutrients



Food sources of sugars & cardiometabolic risk factors:

Summary of 7 SRMAs of >500 trial comparisons, (n>10,000), FU=1-52wk

Cardiometabolic outcome	Substitution 	Addition 	Subtraction 	<i>Ad libitum</i> 
Body weight	Fruit↓	SSBs↑ Fruit juice↑ Mixed↑ Fruit↓	Candy↓	
Fasting lipids		SSBs↑		
Postprandial lipids		SSBs↑		
Blood pressure	Dried fruit↓		SSBs↓	
Glycemic control	Fruit↓ Fruit juice↓ Sweetened-milk↑	SSBs↑ Fruit juice↑ Mixed↑		Mixed↑
Uric acid	SSBs↑	SSBs↑ Fruit↓ Fruit drink↓	Mixed↓	
NAFLD		SSBs↑		



Unintended Consequences



Low fat paradigm revisited: Low fat does not necessarily equal low calories



Low fat paradigm revisited: Can one select a healthy diet by sugar alone?



Serving size: 28g
Calories: 110kcal
Sugars: 3g
Fibre: 1g
GI: 95

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Nutrition Facts		
Serving Size 1 Cup (28g)		
Amount Per Serving	Cereal	with 1/2 cup skim milk
Calories	100	140
Calories from Fat	0	0
% Daily Value**		
Total Fat 0g*	0%	0%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%	0%
Trans Fat 0g		
Polyunsaturated Fat 0g		
Monounsaturated Fat 0g		
Cholesterol 0mg	0%	0%
Sodium 200mg	8%	11%
Potassium 45mg	1%	7%
Total Carbohydrate 24g	8%	10%
Dietary Fiber 1g	4%	4%
Sugars 3g		
Protein 2g		
Vitamin A	10%	15%
Vitamin C	10%	10%
Calcium	0%	15%
Iron	45%	45%
Vitamin D	10%	25%
Thiamin	25%	30%
Riboflavin	25%	35%
Niacin	25%	25%
Vitamin B ₆	25%	25%
Folic Acid	25%	25%
Vitamin B ₁₂	25%	35%
* Amount in cereal. One half cup of skim milk contributes an additional 40 calories, 65mg sodium, 6g total carbohydrates (6g sugars), and 4g protein.		
** Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs:		
	Calories 2,000	2,500
Total Fat	Less than 65g	80g
Sat. Fat	Less than 20g	25g
Cholesterol	Less than 300mg	300mg
Sodium	Less than 2,400mg	2,400mg
Potassium	3,500mg	3,500mg
Total Carbohydrate	300g	375g
Dietary Fiber	25g	30g



Serving size: 30g
Calories: 80kcal
Sugars: 8g
Fibre: 13g
GI: 47

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Nutrition Facts		
Serving Size 1/2 Cup (30g)		
Amount Per Serving	Cereal	with 1/2 cup skim milk
Calories	80	120
Calories from Fat	10	10
% Daily Value**		
Total Fat 1g*	2%	2%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%	0%
Trans Fat 0g		
Polyunsaturated Fat 0g		
Monounsaturated Fat 0g		
Cholesterol 0mg	0%	0%
Sodium 210mg	9%	11%
Total Carbohydrate 24g	8%	10%
Dietary Fiber 13g	51%	51%
Soluble Fiber 3g		
Insoluble Fiber 9g		
Sugars 8g		
Protein 3g		
Vitamin A	10%	15%
Vitamin C	10%	10%
Calcium	0%	15%
Iron	25%	25%
Vitamin D	10%	25%
Thiamin	25%	30%
Riboflavin	25%	35%
Niacin	25%	25%
Vitamin B ₆	100%	100%
Folic Acid	100%	100%
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Global burden of disease attributable to 79 risk factors: *Global Burden of Disease Study 2015*

In North America and **Canada**, only 1 of 14 dietary risk factors is in the top 10 leading risk factors for disability-adjusted-life-years (DALYs): **Whole grains**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Global	Blood pressure	Smoking	Fasting plasma glucose	Body-mass index	Childhood U	Particulate matter	Total cholesterol	Household air pollution	Alcohol use	Sodium
High-income North America	Smoking	Body-mass index	Fasting plasma glucose	Blood pressure	Total cholesterol	Drug use	Alcohol use	Glomerular filtration	Physical activity	Whole grains
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Table. % DALYs attributable to 14 dietary risk factors in Canada

Dietary Risk Factors	% DALYs
1. Low whole Grains	2.1%
2. Low Fruit	2.0%
3. Low Nuts & Seeds	1.9%
4. Low Vegetables	1.6%
5. High Sodium	1.6%
6. High Processed Meat	1.0%
7. Low omega-3	0.9%
8. Low Fibre	0.5%
9. Low PUFA	0.5%
10. High TFA	0.5%
11. Low Milk	0.3%
12. High Red Meat	0.3%
13. Low Calcium	0.3%
14. High SSBs	0.2%

*"Much of the diet **policy debate** has focused on the importance of reductions of **sodium, sugar, and fat**.^{85,86}. Our assessment of the burden from diseases attributable to **14 dietary factors** showed that, at the global scale, six factors each accounted for **more than 1%** of global DALYs, in order of importance: **diets high in sodium, low in vegetables, low in fruit, low in whole grains, low in nuts and seeds....** If our findings are correct, **a policy focus on the sugar and fat components of diets might have a comparatively smaller effect than that of promotion of increased uptake of vegetables, fruit, whole grains, nuts and seeds....**"*

GBD 2015 Risk Factors Collaborators. Lancet 2016; 388: 1659–724



The path forward



Paradigm shift: “Macronutrient-based” to “food- and dietary pattern-based” recommendations

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Food and Dietary Pattern-Based Recommendations: An Emerging Approach to Clinical Practice Guidelines for Nutrition Therapy in Diabetes

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Abstract

Clinical practice guidelines (CPGs) for the nutritional management of diabetes mellitus have evolved considerably over the last 25 years. As major diabetes associations have focused on the individualization of nutrition therapy, there has been a move toward a broader more flexible macronutrient distribution that emphasizes macronutrient quality over quantity. There is now a call for the integration of food- and dietary pattern-based approaches into diabetes association CPGs. The main argument has been that an approach that focuses on nutrients alone misses important nutrient interactions oversimplifying the complexity of foods and dietary patterns, both of which have been shown to have a stronger influence on disease risk than nutrients alone. Although cancer and heart associations have begun to integrate this approach into their dietary guidelines, diabetes associations have not yet adopted this approach. We provide a rationale for the adoption of this approach for The Canadian Diabetes Association (CDA) 2013 CPGs for nutrition therapy. The systematic review for the development of these guidelines revealed emerging evidence to support the use of vegetarian, Mediterranean, and Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) dietary patterns as well as specific foods such as dietary pulses and nuts in people with diabetes. Popular and conventional weight loss diets were also found to have similar advantages in people with diabetes, although poor dietary adherence remains an issue with these diets. The CDA 2013 CPGs will support an even greater individualization of nutrition therapy for people with diabetes and appeal to a broader range of practice styles of health professionals.

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RÉSUMÉ

Les lignes directrices de pratique clinique (LDPC) pour la prise en charge nutritionnelle du diabète sucré ont considérablement évoluée au cours des 25 dernières années. Alors que les principales associations de diabète ont mis l'accent sur l'individualisation de la thérapie nutritionnelle, on a assisté à une tendance vers une plus grande et plus souple distribution des macronutriments qui met en évidence la qualité macronutritionnelle par rapport à la quantité. Un appel à l'intégration des approches fondées sur les types d'alimentation et les régimes alimentaires aux LDPC de l'Association de diabète est maintenant lancé. Le principal argument a été qu'une approche qui met l'accent sur les nutriments seuls omets les importantes interactions nutritionnelles en simplifiant trop la complexité des types d'alimentation et des régimes alimentaires, qui ont tous deux démontré une plus forte influence sur le risque de maladie que les nutriments seuls. Bien que les associations de cancer et des maladies du cœur aient commencé à intégrer cette approche à leurs lignes directrices sur l'alimentation, les associations de diabète n'ont pas encore adopté cette approche. Nous justifions l'adoption de cette approche sur la thérapie nutritionnelle lors de la mise à jour des LDPC 2013 de l'Association canadienne de diabète (ACD). La revue systématique de l'élaboration de ces régimes alimentaires a révélé des données scientifiques émergentes en mesure d'appuyer l'utilisation des régimes alimentaires végétariens, méditerranéens et DASH aussi bien que des aliments spécifiques comme les légumineuses et les noix chez les personnes ayant le diabète. Les régimes amaigrissants populaires et courants ont également présenté des avantages similaires chez les personnes

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Nutrition therapy and counselling are an integral part of the treatment and self-management of diabetes. The goals of nutrition therapy are to maintain or improve quality of life and nutritional and physiological health, and to prevent and treat acute and long-term complications of diabetes, associated comorbid conditions and concomitant disorders.

It is well documented that nutrition therapy can improve glycaemic control (1) by reducing glycaemic hemoglobin (A1C) by 1.0% to 2.0% (2–5), and when used with other components of diabetes care, can further improve clinical and metabolic outcomes (3,6,7). Furthermore, frequent follow-up (ie, every 3 months) with a registered dietitian (RD) has been associated with better dietary adherence in type 2 diabetes (7).

Nutrition therapy provided by an RD with expertise in diabetes management (9,10), delivered in either a small group or an individual setting (11–13), has demonstrated benefits for those with, or at risk for, diabetes. Individual counselling may be 1499-2671/\$ – see front matter © 2013 Canadian Diabetes Association
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Ethnocultural Diversity

Canada is a country rich in ethnocultural diversity. More than 200 ethnic origins were reported in Canada in the 2011 census. The most common ethnic origins with populations in excess of 1 million from highest to lowest include Canadian, English, French, Scottish, Irish, German, Italian, Chinese, Aboriginal, Ukrainian, East Indian, Dutch, and Black. The largest visible minorities include South Asians, Southeast Asians, followed by Filipinos, Latin Americans, Arabs, Vietnamese, West Asians, Koreans and Japanese (9). These diverse ethnocultural groups have distinct and shared foods, food preparation techniques, dining habits, dietary patterns, and lifestyles that directly impact the delivery of nutrition therapy. A

KEY MESSAGES FOR PEOPLE WITH DIABETES

- It is natural to have questions about what food to eat. A registered dietitian can help you develop a personalized meal plan that considers your culture and nutritional preferences to help you achieve your blood glucose and weight management goals.
- Food is key to the management of diabetes and reducing the risk of heart attack and stroke.
- Try to prepare more of your meals at home and use fresh unprocessed ingredients.
- Try to prepare meals and eat together as a family. This is a good way to model healthy food behaviour to children and teenagers, which could help reduce their risk of becoming overweight or developing diabetes.
- With prediabetes and newly diagnosed type 2 diabetes, weight loss is an important response and effective dietary strategy if you have overweight or obesity. A weight loss of 5% to 10% of your body weight may help maintain blood glucose levels.
- There are many strategies that can help with weight loss. The best strategy is one that you are able to maintain long term.

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Table 1
Properties of dietary interventions*†‡

Properties of dietary interventions (listed in the order they are presented in the text)				
Dietary interventions	A1C	CV benefit	Other advantages	Disadvantages
Macronutrient-based approaches				
Low-glycemic-index diets	↓(32,44,46,47)	↓CVD (52)	↓LDL-C, ↓CRP, ↓hypoglycemia, ↓diabetes Rx	None
High-fibre diets	↓(viscous fibre) (57)	↓CVD (69)	↓LDL-C, ↓non-HDL-C, ↓apo B (viscous fibre) (54,57,59)	GI side effects (transient)
High-MUFA diets	↔	↓CVD	↓Weight, ↓TG, ↓BP	None
Low-carbohydrate diets	↔	-	↓TG	↓Micronutrients, ↑renal load
High-protein diets	↔	-	↓TG, ↓BP, preserve lean mass	↓Micronutrients, ↑renal load
Mediterranean dietary pattern	↓(50,139)	↓CVD (143)	↓retinopathy (144), ↓BP, ↓CRP, ↑HDL-C (139,140)	None
Alternate dietary patterns				
Vegetarian	↓(145,251)	↓CHD (152)	↓Weight (148), ↓LDL-C (149)	↓vitamin B12
DASH	↓(159)	↓CHD (161)	↓Weight (159), ↓LDL-C (159), ↓BP (159), ↓CRP (160)	None
Portfolio	-	↓CVD (162,163)	↓LDL-C (162,163), ↓CRP (162), ↓BP (163)	None
Nordic	-	-	↓LDL-C+, ↓non-HDL-C (169-171)	None
Popular weight loss diets				
Atkins	↔	-	↓Weight, ↓TG, ↑HDL-C, ↓CRP	↑LDL-C, ↓micronutrients, ↓adherence
Protein Power Plan	↓	-	↓Weight, ↓TG, ↑HDL-C	↓Micronutrients, ↓adherence, ↑renal load
Ornish	-	-	↓Weight, ↓LDL-C, ↓CRP	↔ FPG, ↓adherence
Weight Watchers	-	-	↓Weight, ↓LDL-C, ↑HDL-C, ↓CRP	↔ FPG, ↓adherence
Zone	-	-	↓Weight, ↓LDL-C, ↓TG, ↑HDL-C	↔ FPG, ↓adherence
Dietary patterns of specific foods				
Dietary pulses/legumes	↓(176)	↓CVD (181)	↓Weight (179), ↓LDL-C (177), ↓BP (178)	GI side effects (transient)
Fruit and vegetables	↓(183,184)	↓CVD (79)	↓BP (186,187)	None
Nuts	↓(188)	↓CVD (143,181)	↓LDL-C (190), ↓TG, ↓FPG (189)	Nut allergies (some individuals)
Whole grains	↓(oats) (194)	↓CHD (99)	↓LDL-C, FPG (oats, barley) (57,193)	GI side effects (transient)
Dairy	↔	↓CVD (199,200)	↓BP, ↓TG (when replacing SSBs) (197)	Lactose intolerance (some individuals)
Meal replacements	↓	-	↓Weight	Temporary intervention

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Take away messages



Conclusions

1. Any effect of **sugars** appears to be highly dependent on the **food source** and **comparator/energy control**.
2. Whereas **SSBs** show **adverse associations** with **cardiometabolic disease outcomes**, the same does **not** hold for other **important food sources** of fructose-containing sugars with **protective associations** even seen for **some foods: yogurt, fruit, 100% fruit juice, whole grain cereals**.
3. To address the limitations in the evidence, **Clinical practice guidelines (CPGs)** are shifting away from “one-size-fits-all” nutrient-centric recommendations (“low-fat”, “low-sugars”, “low-carb”, “low-salt”, etc.) to **dietary patterns-based** recommendations.
4. Targeting **sugars** as a source of **excess** calories remains a **prudent strategy** because foods and beverages high in sugars often contribute **little nutritional value**. But one **cannot** choose a healthful diet by sugars alone! **A little sugars help the low-fat dairy, wholegrains, dietary fibre, and fruit go down**



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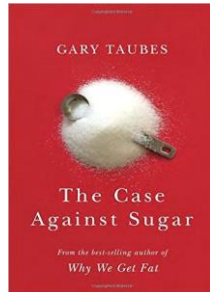


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What about fruit?



“...even an **apple** may not be a good thing... it may very well not be for people predisposed to gain weight easily or who are already obese and/or diabetic”

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“IDF therefore advocates the following specific measures:

3. Revision of healthy eating guidelines to reduce consumption of foods with naturally high sugar content (eg certain **fruits** and **fruit juices**).”



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