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Relationship of Body Composition to BMI in HIV-Infected Patients with Metabolic Abnormalities

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Abstract

Objective—To determine visceral adiposity (VAT), subcutaneous adiposity (SAT) and regional body adipose differences between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects in relation to body-mass index (BMI) and World Health Organization (WHO) BMI categories.

Design, Setting, and Participants—Analysis of 306 HIV-infected and 107 community-derived, HIV-negative subjects evaluated for metabolic studies between 1999–2006. Analyses were stratified by gender. Additional analyses were performed stratifying subjects by metabolic syndrome status.

Results—HIV-infected men and women demonstrated decreased total extremity fat by 1.1 kg and 0.85 kg, respectively, relative to non-HIV-infected control subjects. VAT was increased among HIV-infected men and women in the normal (18.5 – 24.9 kg/m²) and overweight categories (25.0–29.9 kg/m²) relative to control subjects, but not among those in the obese category (≥ 30.0 kg/m²). In contrast, abdominal SAT was reduced among HIV-infected men in normal and overweight categories, but similar among HIV-infected women and control subjects in these categories. Abdominal SAT was increased among HIV-infected women in the obese category relative to control subjects. Similar results were obtained limiting the analysis to HIV (n=204) and control subjects (n=89) without the metabolic syndrome.

Conclusions—Peripheral lipotrophy is a consistent finding among HIV-infected men and women with metabolic abnormalities. Relative increases in VAT are most pronounced among male and female HIV-infected subjects in the normal-weight and overweight categories. Gender differences in abdominal SAT accumulation are observed, with preservation of SAT among HIV-infected women relative to control subjects.

Keywords

BMI; VAT; body composition; HIV

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INTRODUCTION

The use of highly active antiretroviral therapy (HAART) has been associated with the development of metabolic complications including dyslipidemia, insulin resistance, and altered body fat distribution.^{1–6} Changes in adipose distribution include peripheral lipoatrophy of face and limbs and/or central lipohypertrophy in the dorsocervical, breast, and abdominal regions.^{7–10} More importantly, since visceral fat accumulation has been linked to the development of cardiovascular disease and type II diabetes in the non-HIV-infected population, visceral adipose gain associated with HAART has raised concerns regarding long-term risk for cardiovascular disease in the HIV-infected population.^{11–13}

Several studies have investigated changes in body composition that occur in HIV-infected individuals. The FRAM (Fat Redistribution and Metabolic Change in HIV Infection) Study compared fat distribution between HIV-infected individuals and HIV-negative controls and revealed a greater degree of fat loss in peripheral and most central depots among HIV-infected men and women when compared to controls.^{14, 15} Importantly, FRAM along with several recent studies have shown that peripheral lipoatrophy is not linked to central lipohypertrophy in the majority of HIV-infected individuals.^{6, 14–16} However, weight itself may influence the amount of adipose tissue present, and there may be differences in VAT (visceral adipose tissue), SAT (subcutaneous adipose tissue), and regional body adipose measurements within specific anthropometric categories. To our knowledge, differences in body composition between HIV-infected individuals and HIV-negative controls stratified by standard anthropometric cut-points for body-mass index (BMI) have not been studied. We therefore sought to examine the relationship between VAT, SAT or regional body adipose measurements and BMI among HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects and determine how these relationships differed between these groups of subjects within the World Health Organization (WHO) body-mass index (BMI) categories of normal-weight, overweight, and obese.¹⁷

METHODS

PATIENTS AND CONTROLS

Data on body composition parameters were prospectively collected from 1999–2006 in 306 HIV-infected subjects participating in metabolic studies at the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH)^{18–27} and 107 HIV-negative subjects simultaneously recruited from the community as controls for the HIV studies^{20–22, 26, 27} and as participants for metabolic studies in non-HIV-infected individuals^{28, 29}. HIV-infected subjects in some^{18–23, 25, 27} but not all studies were recruited based on the presence of lipodystrophy. Among the HIV-infected patients, 70% were characterized as having lipodystrophy based on previously used definition¹⁹. Among studies in which HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects were simultaneously recruited, subjects of similar weight were recruited. Dietary data on a subset were recently published.³⁰ HIV-infected subjects with known wasting or evaluated for studies of AIDS wasting were not included in the analysis. HIV-infected subjects aged 18 – 60 years were recruited from newspaper advertisement, community and referral-based practices. For subjects receiving antiretroviral (ARV) therapy, a stable regimen for a minimum of 6 weeks prior to evaluation was required. Subjects in both groups were

excluded if they had a history of diabetes mellitus; were receiving concurrent therapy with insulin, antidiabetic agents, glucocorticoids, growth hormone or growth hormone releasing analogues, supraphysiologic testosterone replacement, or anabolic steroids; were current substance abusers; had a major opportunistic infection within the 6 weeks prior to the study; or were pregnant or breast-feeding within the past year. The HIV-negative controls recruited through hospital and local advertisements. Other criteria, including age, medication use and reproductive status were similar between the HIV and non-HIV groups. For both HIV-infected and control groups, baseline data were obtained before any intervention. If subjects participated in more than one study, only data from the initial study were used. Collection of all data was approved by the Institutional Review Board at MGH as well as at MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), and all participants provided informed consent.

PROTOCOL

All subjects were studied after an overnight fast of 12 hours. Each individual had a complete medical history (including documentation of current antiretroviral use) and a physical examination, which included measurement of height by stadiometer and weight by digital scale.

Subjects underwent total-body dual-energy x-ray absorptiometry (Hologic QDR-4500A, Hologic Inc., Waltham, MA) to determine regional fat and lean mass.³¹ Cross-sectional abdominal computed tomography (CT) scans were performed as described by Borkan et al to assess distribution of subcutaneous and visceral abdominal fat (SAT and VAT, respectively). A lateral scout image was obtained to identify the level of the L4 pedicle, which served as the landmark for the 1cm single-slice image.³² Subjects also received a standard 75-g oral glucose tolerance test (OGTT), with glucose and insulin determinations at 30, 60, 90, and 120 minutes following the OGTT. CD4 count, HIV viral load, and concentrations of glucose, insulin, cholesterol, HDL and triglycerides were determined by methods described elsewhere.¹⁹

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

We performed an analysis to determine the impact of BMI as a continuous variable on various body composition parameters (VAT, SAT, VAT/SAT, trunk fat, total extremity fat, and trunk:total extremity fat) in both HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects, stratified by gender, using linear fit modeling. Slopes were tested between the HIV and non-HIV groups by ANCOVA, testing for an interaction between the groups. If the slopes were parallel (i.e. not statically significantly different), ANCOVA was subsequently performed to determine the difference in Y-intercepts. In a subanalysis, HIV-infected patients and controls were characterized based on NCEP/ATP III criteria for the metabolic syndrome.³³ We used ANCOVA analysis in these subgroups without metabolic syndrome to determine the relationship of BMI to body composition parameters among subjects meeting an identical criterion for analysis.

Subjects were also stratified by gender into 3 categories based on WHO BMI class (normal weight = BMI of 18.5 – 24.9 kg/m²; overweight = BMI 25.0 – 29.9 kg/m²; obese = BMI 30.0 kg/m²)¹⁷ to determine differences in body composition between HIV-infected and

non-HIV-infected subjects within each category. Data are expressed as mean \pm standard deviation except where indicated. P values were derived from the ANOVA test to determine differences between HIV and control subjects, and a p value <0.05 was considered significant. All statistical analyses were performed using SAS JMP software, version 5.0.1 (SAS Institute).

RESULTS

Demographics

Three hundred and six HIV-infected subjects (168 males, 138 females) and 107 non-HIV-infected controls (68 males, 39 females) were evaluated. There were no statistically significant differences in age, race, or BMI between the HIV-infected and control subjects, stratified by gender. HIV-infected males demonstrated higher total cholesterol and triglyceride levels, lower HDL levels, higher fasting insulin and insulin AUC (area-under-the-curve), as well as higher fasting glucose and glucose AUC compared to male controls. HIV-infected females also demonstrated lower HDL, higher fasting insulin, and higher insulin AUC levels compared to female controls (Table 1). Demographics were also similar in the subanalysis limited to HIV and control subjects without the metabolic syndrome (Table 2).

MEN

Significant associations between BMI and SAT, VAT, trunk fat, and total extremity fat were observed for both HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected men (Figure 1). Regression lines were parallel, and intercepts differed significantly in the comparison of the relationship of SAT to BMI between the HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected groups. SAT was decreased by approximately 21 cm^2 for a given BMI among the male HIV-infected compared to non-HIV-infected subjects. In contrast, the slopes of the regression lines relating VAT or VAT/SAT to BMI differed significantly between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected groups.

Trunk fat was not increased for a given BMI in male HIV-infected vs. non-HIV-infected, but total extremity fat was lower by 1.1 kg across the range of BMI for male HIV-infected compared to non HIV-infected subjects. Trunk:total extremity fat was increased for male HIV-infected vs. non-HIV-infected but differences between HIV and non-HIV-infected men decreased with increasing BMI. Trunk:total extremity fat did not increase with BMI among HIV-infected men but did increase with BMI among non-HIV-infected men. (Figure 1)

Analyses of HIV-infected patients and controls without metabolic syndrome as defined by NCEP/ATP III guidelines revealed similar results to the primary findings among all the subjects (Figure 2).

Seventy-two (43%) HIV-infected and 22 (32%) male control subjects were normal weight, 70 (42%) HIV-infected and 27 (40%) male control subjects were overweight, and 26 (15%) HIV-infected and 19 (28%) male control subjects were obese using WHO criteria. VAT was significantly higher and SAT was significantly lower among HIV-infected compared to non-HIV-infected men in the normal-weight and overweight categories, but not in the obese

category. The difference in VAT was most significant among those in the normal-weight category (104.6 ± 58.5 vs. 57.3 ± 25.5 cm², $p=0.0004$; HIV-infected vs. controls), whereas the difference in SAT was most significant among those in the overweight category (178.5 ± 85.6 vs. 242.2 ± 60.0 cm², $p=0.0006$, HIV-infected vs. controls). (Figure 3A and B)

Consistent with linear regression modeling, trunk fat was not increased among HIV vs. non HIV-infected men for any BMI category, whereas total extremity fat was decreased in the normal and overweight categories and tended to be decreased in the obese category. Trunk:total extremity fat was therefore significantly increased in the normal and overweight categories, driven primarily by lower total extremity fat values. (Table 3A)

NRTI and NNRTI usage did not differ among HIV-infected men within the three BMI categories. The percentage of HIV-infected men receiving PIs was lower in the obese category compared to the other two BMI categories (48.0% PI use in obese vs. 74.2% in normal and 78.8% in overweight, $p=0.01$). However, VAT (151.4 ± 70.4 vs. 136.2 ± 72.0 cm², $p=0.23$, no PI vs. PI use) and SAT (188.4 ± 119.0 vs. 162.1 ± 108.6 cm², $p=0.19$, no PI vs. PI use) did not differ by PI use, nor did PI use influence VAT or SAT in regression modeling accounting for BMI category ($p=0.74$ for VAT and $p=0.52$ for SAT).

WOMEN

Significant associations were observed between BMI and SAT, VAT, trunk fat, and total extremity fat for both HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected women (Figure 3). The relationship of SAT to BMI was not significantly different between the HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected women. In contrast, the relationships of VAT and VAT/SAT to BMI differed significantly between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected women.

Regression lines were parallel and intercepts differed significantly in the comparisons of trunk fat and total extremity fat to BMI between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected women. For a given BMI, female HIV-infected subjects demonstrated increased trunk fat and decreased total extremity fat by differences of approximately 0.67 kg and 0.85 kg, respectively, compared to non-HIV-infected subjects. Trunk:total extremity fat did not increase with BMI among HIV-infected women in contrast to non-HIV-infected women. (Figure 4)

Analyses of HIV-infected patients and controls without metabolic syndrome as defined by NCEP/ATP III guidelines revealed similar results to the primary findings among all the subjects (Figure 5).

Forty-six (33%) HIV-infected and 14 (36%) female control subjects were normal weight; 53 (39%) HIV-infected and 13 (33%) female control subjects were overweight and 39 (28%) HIV-infected and 12 (31%) female control subjects were obese using WHO criteria. VAT was significantly higher among HIV-infected compared to non-HIV-infected women in the normal-weight and overweight categories, but not in the obese category. The difference in VAT was most significant among those in the normal-weight category (76.6 ± 48.9 vs. 36.7 ± 13.9 cm², $p=0.004$; HIV-infected vs. controls). In contrast, SAT was significantly

higher among HIV-infected compared to non-HIV-infected women in the obese category (472.4 ± 113.9 vs. 400.1 ± 83.7 cm², $p=0.048$). (Figure 6A and B)

Trunk fat values were significantly higher in the HIV-infected women in the normal and overweight categories and tended to be higher in the obese category (Table 3B). HIV-infected women demonstrated higher trunk fat:total extremity fat across all BMI categories.

PI, NRTI, and NNRTI usage was similar among the HIV-infected women across the three BMI categories. VAT (118.1 ± 64.0 vs. 120.4 ± 66.9 cm², $p=0.85$, no PI vs. PI use) and SAT (300.4 ± 181.0 vs. 278.2 ± 139.1 cm², $p=0.46$, no PI vs. PI use) did not differ by PI use, nor did PI use influence VAT or SAT in regression modeling accounting for BMI category ($p=0.76$ for VAT and $p=0.53$ for SAT).

DISCUSSION

Although BMI has been used as a simple anthropometric predictor of type 2 diabetes, hypertension, dyslipidemia, and cardiovascular disease among non-HIV-infected individuals,^{34–37} few studies have evaluated body composition between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected control subjects in relation to BMI. We therefore examined the relationship between body composition and BMI for HIV-infected compared to non-HIV-infected subjects in linear regression modeling and used the WHO BMI criteria to determine fat distribution differences between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects within these anthropometric subgroups.¹⁷

Our study demonstrated the significant presence of peripheral lipoatrophy among HIV-infected compared to non-HIV-infected subjects, supporting the findings of FRAM and others.^{14–16, 38} For any given BMI, HIV-infected males demonstrated 1.1 kg less total extremity fat and HIV-infected females 0.85 kg less total extremity fat compared to their respective non-HIV-infected controls. To our knowledge, this is the first study to quantify the degree of fat loss in relation to BMI between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects, stratified by gender. We have also shown that in addition to the presence of peripheral lipoatrophy among HIV-infected individuals, significant alterations in VAT, SAT, and truncal fat occur in the context of BMI within gender categories.

Among HIV-infected men, abdominal SAT was significantly lower compared to non-HIV-infected males by an average difference of 21 cm², and the largest differences were seen among normal and overweight HIV-infected men compared to control subjects. In contrast, VAT was increased among HIV-infected men in the normal and overweight category compared to control subjects. Simultaneous increases in VAT and decreases in SAT may help to explain the observation that trunk fat per se was not different between HIV and non-HIV-infected men.

Among HIV-infected women, trunk fat was increased by approximately 0.67 kg compared to non-HIV-infected female control subjects. Similar to the observation in men, VAT was increased most among HIV-infected women in the normal and overweight categories relative to controls. In contrast to the findings among men, SAT was not different among normal weight and overweight subjects (HIV vs. control), and thus the increased trunk fat in

these categories was primarily due to increased VAT, whereas in the obese category, the increased trunk fat was due to increased SAT. Women have more total body fat than men and tend to preserve gluteal and femoral fat stores³⁹, which may help to explain observed differences between HIV-infected men and women in this and other studies.^{14, 15}

HIV-infected and control subjects (both males and females) also demonstrated increasing VAT and SAT deposition with increasing BMI, supporting the results of other studies of non-HIV-infected individuals.⁴⁰ Thus although absolute levels of VAT increase with increasing BMI, relative differences compared to control subjects are greatest for normal and overweight HIV-infected patients (both males and females). These findings suggest that: 1) obesity *alone* does not predict an increased visceral adiposity among HIV-infected subjects relative to non-HIV-infected subjects; and 2) HIV-infected subjects at relatively lower BMIs may have increased risk of metabolic complications given the degree of visceral adiposity observed.

In the FRAM study^{14, 15}, patients were categorized based on the presence of lipoatrophy. Among men, a trend toward more VAT and significantly more trunk fat was demonstrated in HIV-infected patients without lipoatrophy compared to those with lipoatrophy. In contrast, VAT was lower compared to non-HIV-infected controls in those with lipoatrophy. Among women, more VAT and trunk fat were seen among HIV-infected subjects without lipoatrophy compared both to HIV-infected with lipoatrophy and to non-HIV-infected controls. Subjects were not compared in relation to BMI or within BMI categories in FRAM, but rather, adipose tissue volume for each subject was divided by height-squared and then multiplied by 1.75² to correspond to a typical height. In contrast, HIV-infected patients and controls were compared in relation to BMI and within BMI categories in our study, suggesting relatively more VAT deposition among HIV-infected patients compared to controls at lower BMIs, particularly in the normal and overweight BMI categories, for both genders. Thus our data extend those of FRAM, demonstrating relative differences in fat accumulation and fat loss by BMI category between genders.

This study has a number of limitations. We assessed body composition among HIV-infected individuals with a high proportion of metabolic abnormalities. Our results therefore cannot be generalized to all HIV-infected individuals or to HIV-infected individuals with wasting. However, similar results were obtained when body composition parameters were compared between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected patients using an identical criterion of absence of NCEP/ATP III defined metabolic syndrome. These data suggest that the changes in body composition among the HIV-infected patients relative to controls in this study were not significantly biased by selection of patients with a high proportion of metabolic abnormalities. We did not follow patients longitudinally to determine changes in adipose distribution over time. Finally, we were unable to analyze the respective contributions from deep and superficial subcutaneous compartments, which may help to define the specific adipose changes that are occurring among HIV-infected individuals. Despite these limitations, these data provide new information on the relationship of body composition to BMI among HIV-infected patients.

In conclusion, we have demonstrated differences in central and peripheral fat depots in relation to BMI as well as by WHO BMI category in the comparisons of male and female HIV-infected vs. control subjects. Loss of extremity fat was the most consistent finding, but increased VAT was also observed relative to control subjects both among HIV-infected men and women. The differences in VAT were most obvious among normal and overweight subjects. Gender differences in abdominal SAT accumulation were observed, with preservation of SAT among HIV-infected women relative to control subjects.

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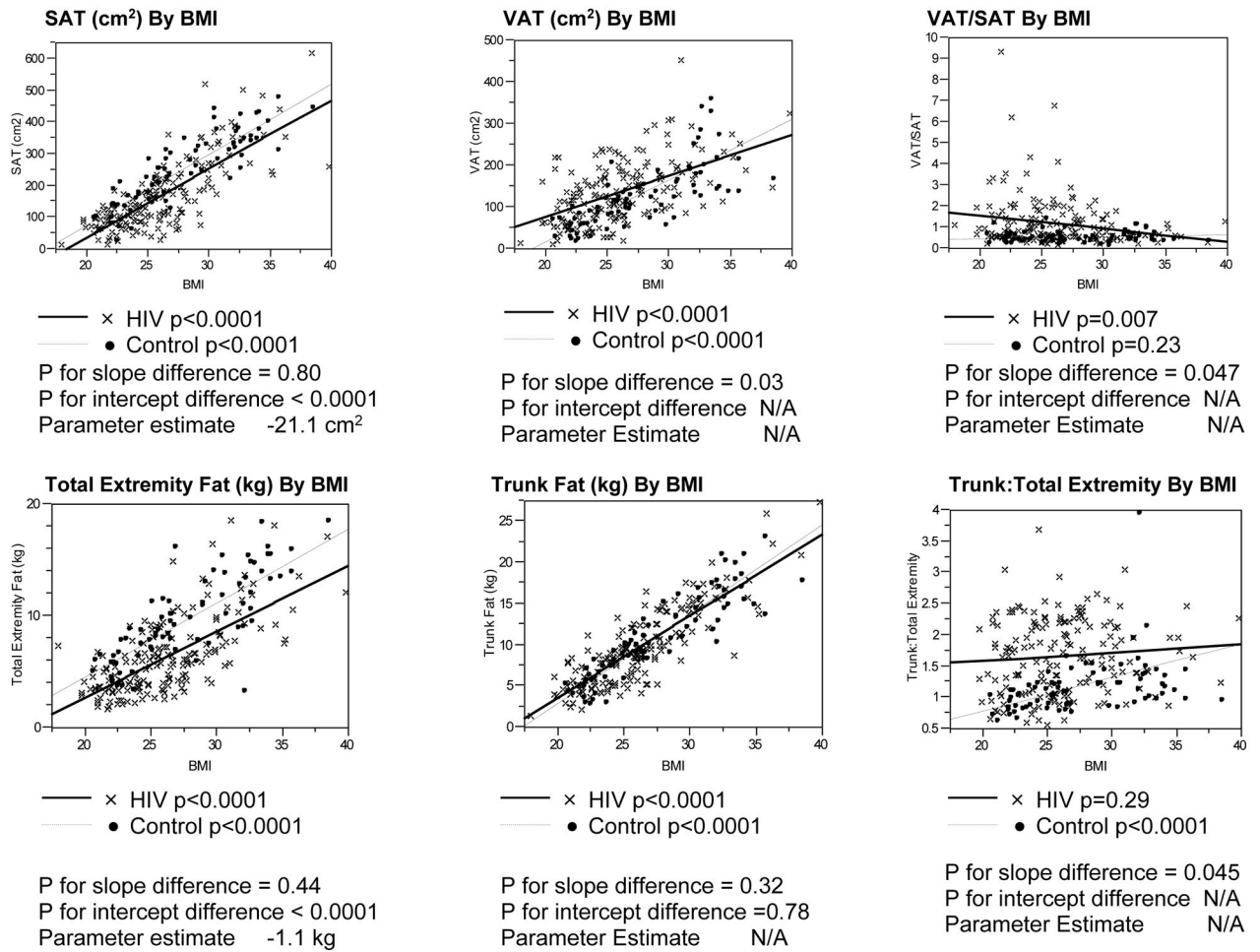


Figure 1. Linear Regression Analyses of Body Composition Parameters vs. BMI Among HIV-Infected and Control Males

P values for differences in slopes between the HIV-infected and control groups determined using ANCOVA, testing for an interaction between the groups.

P values for differences in Y-intercepts determined using ANCOVA if the p values for the slopes were not statistically significantly different.

Parameter estimate derived from ANCOVA assessing the relationship of each body composition parameter to BMI and HIV status.

Abbreviations: SAT, Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue; BMI, Body Mass Index; VAT, Visceral Adipose Tissue

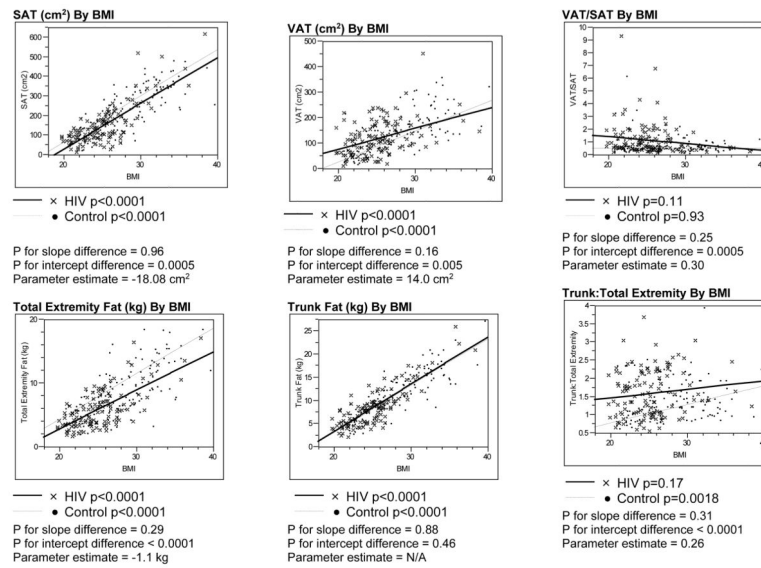


Figure 2. Linear Regression Analyses of Body Composition Parameters vs. BMI Among HIV-Infected and Control Males Without Metabolic Syndrome

P values for differences in slopes between the HIV-infected and control groups without NCEP/ATP III defined metabolic syndrome were determined using ANCOVA, testing for an interaction between the groups.

P values for differences in Y-intercepts were determined using ANCOVA if the p values for the slopes were not statistically significantly different.

Parameter estimate derived from ANCOVA assessing the relationship of each body composition parameter to BMI and HIV status.

Abbreviations: SAT, Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue; BMI, Body Mass Index; VAT, Visceral Adipose Tissue

Figure 3A:

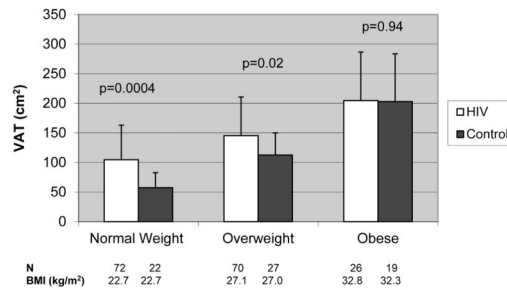


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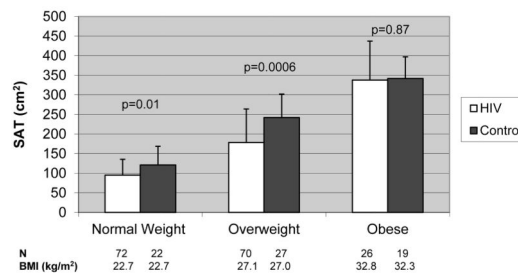
**Figure 3.**

Figure 3A. VAT Based on BMI Class Among HIV-Infected and Control Males

Results are expressed as mean±standard deviation.

The white bar denotes HIV-infected subjects while the black bar denotes non-HIV-infected controls.

BMI categories defined using WHO criteria¹⁷, as follows:

Normal Weight = BMI 18.5 – 24.9

Overweight = BMI 25.0 – 29.9

Obese = BMI 30.0).

P values derived from ANOVA test to determine differences between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects

Abbreviations: VAT, Visceral Adipose Tissue; BMI, Body Mass Index

Figure 3B. SAT Based on BMI Class Among HIV-Infected and Control Males

Results are expressed as mean±standard deviation.

The white bar denotes HIV-infected subjects while the black bar denotes non-HIV-infected controls.

BMI categories defined using WHO criteria¹⁷, as follows:

Normal Weight = BMI 18.5 – 24.9

Overweight = BMI 25.0 – 29.9

Obese = BMI \geq 30.0).

P values derived from ANOVA test to determine differences between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects

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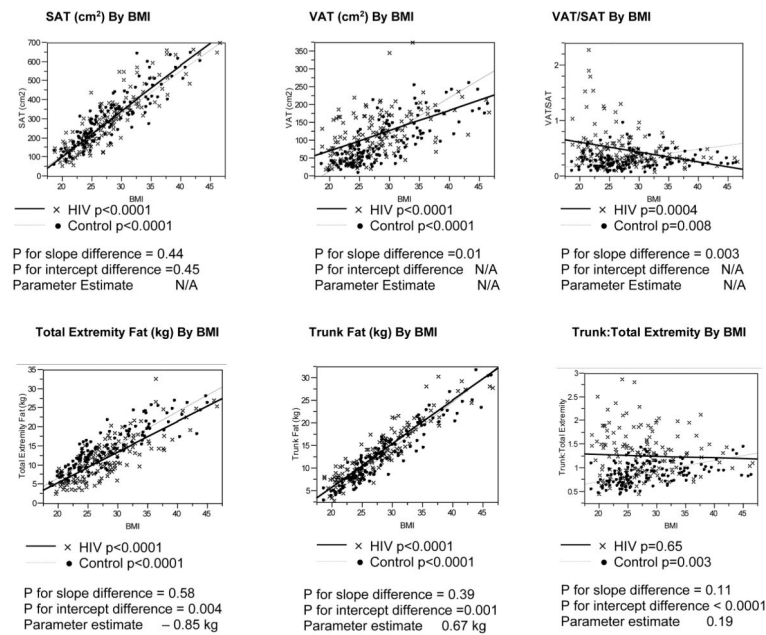


Figure 4. Linear Regression Analyses of Body Composition Parameters vs. BMI Among HIV-Infected and Control Females

P values for differences in slopes between the HIV-infected and control groups determined using ANCOVA, testing for an interaction between the groups.

P values for differences in Y-intercepts were determined using ANCOVA if the p values for the slopes were not statistically significantly different.

Parameter estimate derived from ANCOVA assessing the relationship of each body composition parameter to BMI and HIV status.

Abbreviations: SAT, Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue; BMI, Body Mass Index; VAT, Visceral Adipose Tissue

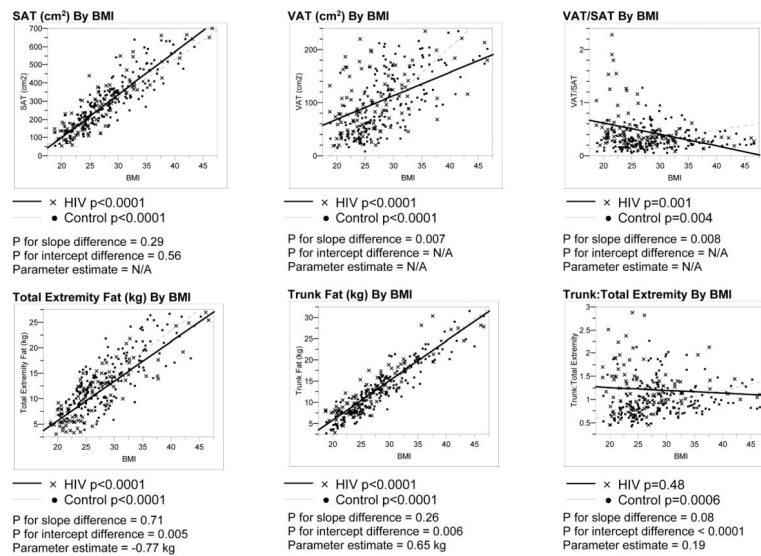


Figure 5. Linear Regression Analyses of Body Composition Parameters vs. BMI Among HIV-Infected and Control Females Without Metabolic Syndrome

P values for differences in slopes between the HIV-infected and control groups without NCEP/ATP III defined metabolic syndrome were determined using ANCOVA, testing for an interaction between the groups.

P values for differences in Y-intercepts were determined using ANCOVA if the p values for the slopes were not statistically significantly different.

Parameter estimate derived from ANCOVA assessing the relationship of each body composition parameter to BMI and HIV status.

Abbreviations: SAT, Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue; BMI, Body Mass Index; VAT, Visceral Adipose Tissue

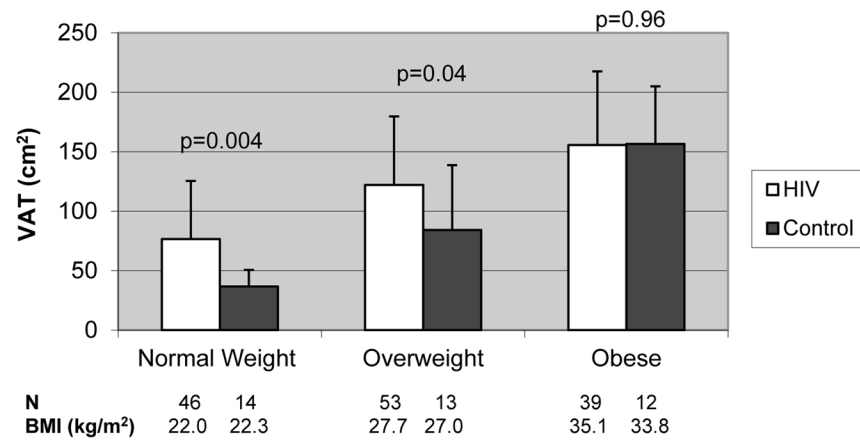
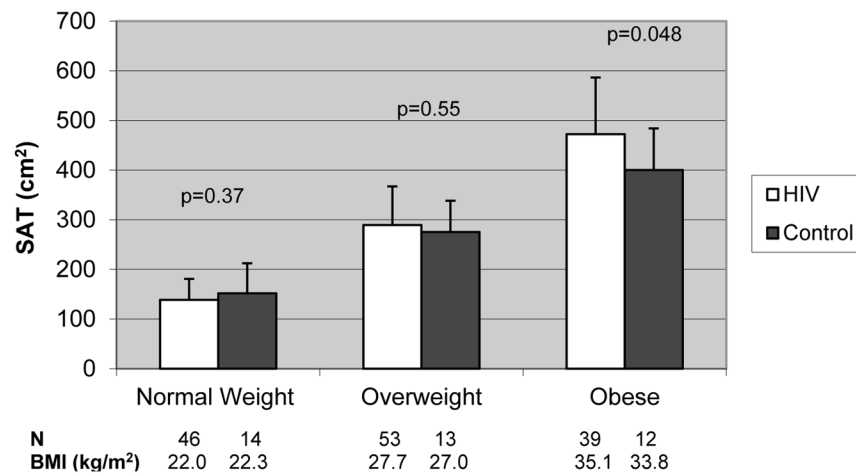
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Figure 6A. VAT Based on BMI Class Among HIV-Infected and Control Females

Results are expressed as mean±standard deviation.

The white bar denotes HIV-infected subjects while the black bar denotes non-HIV-infected controls.

BMI categories defined using WHO criteria¹⁷, as follows:

Normal Weight = BMI 18.5 – 24.9

Overweight = BMI 25.0 – 29.9

Obese = BMI ≥ 30.0).

P values derived from ANOVA test to determine differences between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects

Abbreviations: VAT, Visceral Adipose Tissue; BMI, Body Mass Index

Figure 6B. SAT Based on BMI Class Among HIV-Infected and Control Females

Results are expressed as mean±standard deviation.

The white bar denotes HIV-infected subjects while the black bar denotes non-HIV-infected controls.

BMI categories defined using WHO criteria ¹⁷, as follows:

Normal Weight = BMI 18.5 – 24.9

Overweight = BMI 25.0 – 29.9

Obese = BMI ≥ 30.0).

P values derived from ANOVA test to determine differences between HIV-infected and non-HIV-infected subjects

Abbreviations: SAT, Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue; BMI, Body Mass Index

Table 1

Demographics for HIV-Infected and HIV-Negative Control Subjects

	MALES		P Value [†]	FEMALES		P Value [†]
	HIV+ (N=168)	Controls (N=68)		HIV+ (N=138)	Controls (N=39)	
Demographics						
Age (Yr)	43±7	41±8	0.09	41±7	41±10	0.75
Race (%)			0.17			0.81
Caucasian	66.1	79.4	-	34.8	41.0	-
African American	20.2	14.7	-	46.4	41.0	-
Hispanic	9.5	2.9	-	10.9	12.8	-
Other	4.2	2.9	-	8.0	5.1	-
BMI (kg/m ²)	26.1±3.9	27.1±3.9	0.08	27.9±5.8	27.4±5.1	0.60
HIV Parameters						
CD4 (#/mm ³) [‡]	442±250	899±383	<0.0001	452±253	950±316	<0.0001
Viral Load (copies/mL) [¶]	50 (50,12150)	-	-	116 (50,5471)	-	-
Duration HIV (Yr) [‡]	8.7±5.0	-	-	8.3±4.4	-	-
Currently Taking PI (%)	67.3	-	-	44.9	-	-
Currently Taking NRTI (%)	85.7	-	-	79.0	-	-
Currently Taking NNRTI (%)	38.0	-	-	31.1	-	-
Not Taking Antiretrovirals (%)	9.5	-	-	18.8	-	-
% Categorized with Lipodystrophy	66.7	-	-	73.9	-	-
Metabolic Parameters						

	MALES		FEMALES		P Value [†]
	HIV+ (N=168)	Controls (N=68)	HIV+ (N=138)	Controls (N=39)	
Total cholesterol (mg/dL) ^{**‡}	198±50	181±37	185±44	177±34	0.29
HDL (mg/dL) ^{**‡}	38±11	45±11	46±13	56±15	<0.0001
Triglyceride (mg/dL) ^{**‡}	259±231	141±147	158±154	113±165	0.12
Fasting Insulin (μU/mL) ^{**‡}	16±15	11±8	11±8	8±6	0.047
Insulin AUC (μU/mL × 120 min) ^{**‡}	9216±5348	6431±4430	8683±4953	5500±2781	0.009
Fasting Glucose (mg/dL) ^{**‡}	93±13	90±13	86±10	86±15	0.87
Glucose AUC (mg/dL × 120 min) ^{**‡}	17496±3809	15094±3207	15797±3431	15925±4515	0.89

Results expressed as mean ± standard deviation

[†] p values derived from ANOVA test

^{**} Results expressed as median (interquartile range)

[‡] Data for CD4 available in 19 HIV- males and 128 HIV+/18 HIV- females; for viral load in 48 HIV+ males and 103 HIV+ females; for duration of HIV in 167 HIV+ males; for total cholesterol in 166 HIV+/67 HIV- males and 130 HIV+ females; for triglyceride in 67 HIV- males and 130 HIV+ females; for HDL in 67 HIV- males and 130 HIV+ females; for fasting insulin in 116 HIV+/48 HIV- males and 125 HIV+/37 HIV- females; for insulin AUC in 96 HIV+/25 HIV- males and 110 HIV+/18 HIV- females; for fasting glucose in 67 HIV- males and 130 HIV+ females; for glucose AUC in 147 HIV+/39 HIV- males and 116 HIV+/19 HIV- females

* To convert mg/dL to mmol/L for total cholesterol and HDL, multiply by 0.0259; for triglycerides, multiply by 0.0113; for glucose, multiply by 0.0555; and to convert μU/mL to pmol/L for insulin, multiply by 6.945

Abbreviations: BMI: Body Mass Index, SAT: Abdominal Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue, VAT: Visceral Adipose Tissue, HDL: High-Density Lipoprotein, AUC: Area-Under-the-Curve

Table 2
Demographics for HIV-Infected and HIV-Negative Control Subjects Without Metabolic Syndrome

	MALES		FEMALES		P Value [†]
	HIV+ (N=115)	Controls (N=56)	HIV+ (N=89)	Controls (N=33)	
Demographics					
Age (Yr)	43±7	41±8	40±7	40±10	0.96
Race (%)					0.70
Caucasian	60.9	76.8	31.5	39.4	-
African American	22.6	16.1	48.3	39.4	-
Hispanic	11.3	3.6	11.2	15.2	-
Other	5.2	3.6	9.0	6.1	-
BMI (kg/m ²)	25.0±3.4	26.3±3.6	26.9±6.2	26.5±4.6	0.71
HIV Parameters					
CD4 (#/mm ³) [‡]	395±227	930±408	443±241	944±325	<0.0001
Viral Load (copies/mL) [§]	171 (50,16475)	-	158 (50, 5881)	-	-
Duration HIV (Yr)	8.6±5.3	-	7.5±4.4	-	-
Currently Taking PI (%)	68.7	-	40.4	-	-
Currently Taking NRTI (%)	80.9	-	83.1	-	-
Currently Taking NNRTI (%)	35.7	-	36.0	-	-
Not Taking Antiretrovirals (%)	13.0	-	16.9	-	-
% Categorized with Lipodystrophy	55.7	-	71.9	-	-
Metabolic Parameters					

	MALES		FEMALES		P Value [†]
	HIV+ (N=115)	Controls (N=56)	HIV+ (N=89)	Controls (N=33)	
Total cholesterol (mg/dL) [‡]	193±48	179±37	178±44	172±30	0.50
HDL (mg/dL) [*]	40±12	47±11	48±15	59±14	0.0004
Triglyceride (mg/dL) [*]	222±196	103±64	124±68	74±35	<0.0001
Fasting Insulin (μU/mL) [‡]	12±9	9±4	11±9	7±4	0.018
Insulin AUC (μU/mL × 120 min) [‡]	7744±3952	5879±3392	8073±4560	5603±2831	0.04
Fasting Glucose (mg/dL) [*]	91±11	87±9	85±10	83±8	0.25
Glucose AUC (mg/dL × 120 min) [‡]	17127±3271	14726±2639	15714±3677	15089±2743	0.50

Results expressed as mean ± standard deviation

[†] p values derived from ANOVA test

[‡] Results expressed as median (interquartile range)

^{*} Data for CD4 available in 16 HIV- males and 88 HIV+/17 HIV- females; for viral load in 34 HIV+ males and 72 HIV+ females; for total cholesterol in 113 HIV+ males; for fasting insulin in 76 HIV+/38 HIV- males and 84 HIV+/31 HIV- females; for insulin AUC in 57 HIV+/22 HIV- males and 73 HIV+/17 HIV- females; for glucose AUC in 94 HIV+/36 HIV- males and 79 HIV+/18 HIV- females

^{*} To convert mg/dL to mmol/L for total cholesterol and HDL, multiply by 0.0259; for triglycerides, multiply by 0.0113; for glucose, multiply by 0.0555; and to convert μU/mL to pmol/L for insulin, multiply by 6.945

Abbreviations: BMI: Body Mass Index, SAT: Abdominal Subcutaneous Adipose Tissue, VAT: Visceral Adipose Tissue, HDL: High-Density Lipoprotein, AUC: Area-Under-the-Curve

Differences in DEXA Regional Body Composition Between HIV-Infected and Non-HIV-Infected Males

Table 3A

	Normal BMI		Overweight BMI		Obese BMI		P value [†]
	HIV+(N=72)	Control (N=22)	HIV+ (N=70)	Control (N=27)	HIV+ (N=26)	Control (N=19)	
BMI (kg/m ²)	22.7±1.5	22.7±1.0	27.1±1.4	27.0±1.5	32.8±2.6	32.3±1.0	0.39
Trunk Fat (kg)	6.3±2.3	5.5±1.9	10.3±3.2	10.6±2.3	16.7±4.1	16.1±2.9	0.58
Total Extremity Fat (kg)	4.3±1.8	5.9±1.6	6.8±2.9	9.6±2.4	10.5±3.5	12.4±3.4	0.09
Trunk:Total Extremity Fat	1.63±0.65	0.92±0.18	1.68±0.58	1.14±0.26	1.69±0.53	1.45±0.69	0.19
Total Fat (kg)	11.7±3.4	12.5±3.3	18.2±5.3	21.3±3.9	28.7±6.0	29.9±4.5	0.46

Results expressed as mean ± standard deviation

[†] p values derived from ANOVA test

Differences in DEXA Regional Body Composition Between HIV-Infected and Non-HIV-Infected Females

Table 3B

	Normal BMI		P value [‡]	Overweight BMI		P value [‡]	Obese BMI		P value [‡]
	HIV+ (N=46)	Control (N=14)		HIV+ (N=53)	Control (N=13)		HIV+ (N=39)	Control (N=12)	
BMI (kg/m ²)	22.0±1.8	22.3±1.8	0.70	27.7±1.4	27.0±1.5	0.08	35.1±4.4	33.8±2.0	0.33
Trunk Fat (kg)	7.4±1.8	6.3±2.0	0.04	13.3±2.7	11.3±3.1	0.02	20.6±4.6	18.1±3.1	0.07
Total Extremity Fat (kg)	6.8±2.8	8.5±2.1	0.048	11.5±3.5	12.9±2.7	0.19	17.9±5.1	18.4±3.2	0.73
Trunk:Total Extremity Fat	1.28±0.59	0.74±0.17	0.002	1.27±0.47	0.91±0.31	0.01	1.22±0.37	0.99±0.15	0.04
Total Fat (kg)	15.1±3.5	15.8±3.8	0.55	25.8±4.7	25.1±4.2	0.63	39.6±7.9	37.4±5.6	0.38

Results expressed as mean ± standard deviation

[‡] p values derived from ANOVA test