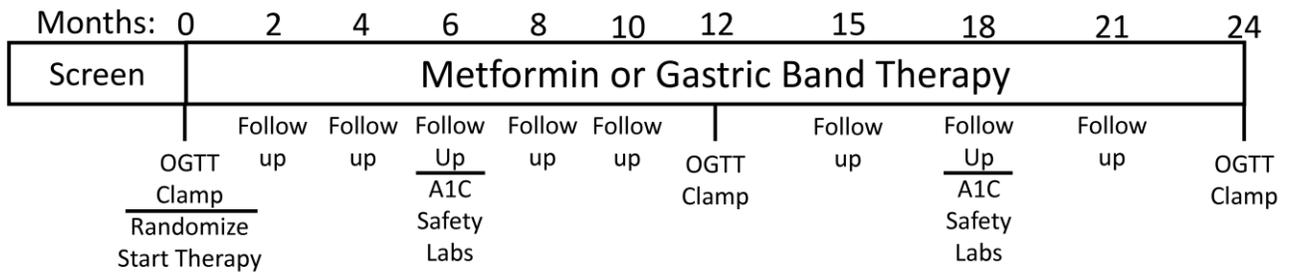
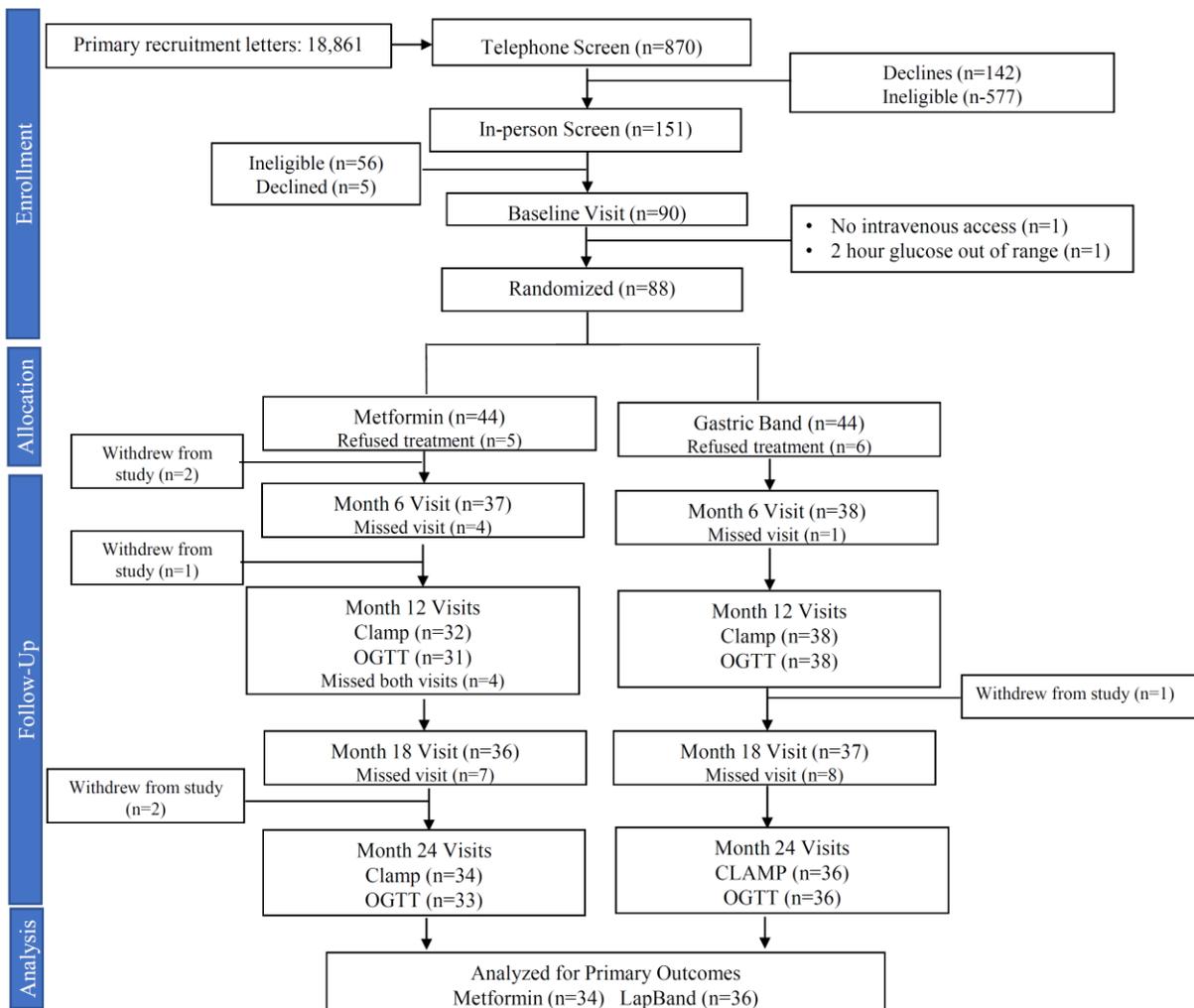


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**Supplementary Figure 1.** Overview of Study Design. Procedures are described in text.

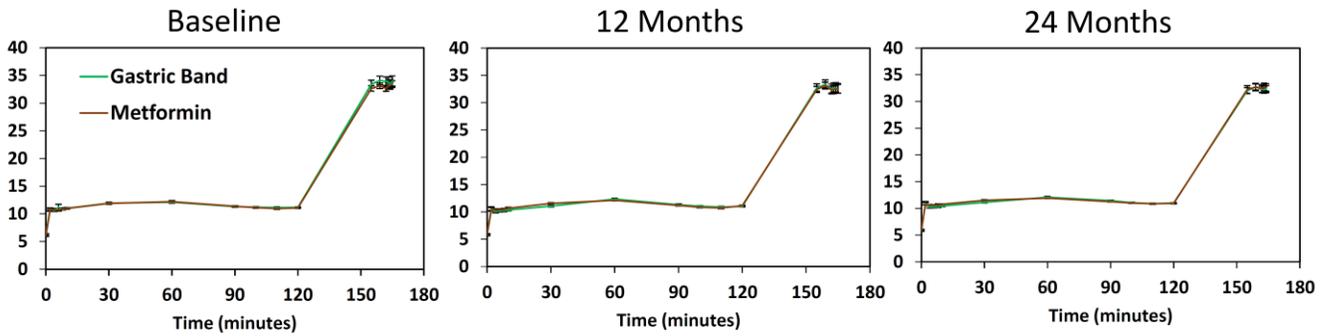


**Supplementary Figure 2.** Consort diagram of enrollment and progress through the study.



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**Supplementary Figure 3.** Plasma glucose levels during glucose clamp studies at baseline, 12 and 24 months. Glucose was injected at t=0 minutes to raise plasma glucose to ~11.1 mmol/L. An infusion of glucose was used to clamp plasma glucose at ~11.1 mmol/L until 120 minutes, then raise plasma glucose to >25 mmol/L over at least 30 min, when arginine (5 grams) was injected. Primary outcomes were assessed during steady state (100-120 minutes) and maximal response (five minutes after arginine injection) periods. Data are mean  $\pm$  se.



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**Supplementary Table 1.** Impact of treatments on secondary clamp outcomes\*

Clamp Secondary Outcomes	Gastric Band (n=36)			Metformin (n=34)			Intergroup P-value †	
	Baseline	24 Months	P-value ‡	Baseline	24 Months	P-value ‡	Baseline	24-Month
Acute <sup>‡</sup> C-peptide response to glucose (ACPRg; nmol/L) adjusted for M/I <sup>§</sup>	0.43 (0.31, 0.59)	0.59 (0.44, 0.78)	0.014	0.48 (0.34, 0.66)	0.48 (0.35, 0.65)	0.33	0.65	0.17
Acute <sup>‡</sup> insulin response to glucose (AIRg; pmol/L) adjusted for M/I <sup>§</sup>	167 (121, 221)	213 (164, 270)	0.015	178 (129, 236)	187 (141, 242)	0.12	0.77	0.45
Maximum <sup>¶</sup> insulin response (AIRmax; pmol/L) adjusted for M/I <sup>§</sup>	3029 (2485, 3692)	2569 (2154, 3063)	0.30	2916 (2379, 3575)	2468 (2059, 2958)	0.045	0.79	0.69
Steady-state <sup>#</sup> insulin (pmol/L)	591 (454, 770)	404 (313, 520)	<0.0001	492 (375, 645)	432 (333, 561)	0.022	0.34	0.02
Steady-state <sup>#</sup> glucose infusion rate (mmol/kg/min)	0.19 (0.16, 0.23)	0.19 (0.16, 0.22)	0.90	0.16 (0.13, 0.20)	0.18 (0.15, 0.21)	0.39	0.29	0.96
<b>Clinical Glucose Status**</b>			0.018			0.033	0.46	0.63
Normal (n, %)	0 (0%)	8 (22%)		0 (0%)	5 (15%)			
IGT (n, %)	18 (50%)	16 (45%)		20 (59%)	15 (44%)			
Diabetes (n, %)	18 (50%)	12 (33%)		14 (41%)	14 (41%)			

Abbreviations: IGT=impaired glucose tolerance

\* Data presented are geometric means (95% CI) from 70 individuals who had data on primary outcomes at 24 months or n (%) for categorical variables

† P-value testing for difference between groups at baseline and 24-months after adjusting for baseline value of the variable

‡ P-value testing for change within group

§ M/I is defined as mean glucose infusion rate divided by mean insulin concentration at steady state (100, 110, 120 min) during glucose clamp

‖ Mean incremental plasma concentration curve for first 10 min above concentrations before glucose injection to initiate glucose clamp

¶ AIRmax is acute insulin release, maximal, defined as mean incremental insulin response above concentrations before arginine injection

# Mean of measurements made at 100, 110, 120 min during glucose clamp at ~200 mg/dl

\*\* By American Diabetes Association Criteria

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**Supplementary Table 2.** Impact of treatments on cardiovascular and hepatic outcomes\*

	Gastric Band (n=36)			Metformin (n=34)			Intergroup P-value <sup>†</sup>	
	Baseline	24 Months	P-value <sup>‡</sup>	Baseline	24 Months	P-value <sup>‡</sup>	Baseline	24-Month
Systolic BP (mmHg)	127.1 ± 10.5	124.8 ± 11.3	0.19	126.4 ± 10	128.9 ± 11.6	0.26	0.79	0.08
Diastolic BP (mmHg)	78.3 ± 7.5	76.4 ± 7.6	0.11	75.9 ± 8.1	77.6 ± 8.0	0.26	0.23	0.15
Total cholesterol (mmol/L)	4.5 ± 0.7	4.4 ± 0.8	0.55	4.5 ± 0.9	4.5 ± 1.1	0.84	0.92	0.57
LDL cholesterol (mmol/L)	2.7 ± 0.7	2.5 ± 0.7	0.40	2.7 ± 0.8	2.6 ± 0.9	0.49	0.87	0.80
HDL cholesterol (mmol/L)	1.2 ± 0.3	1.3 ± 0.3	0.001	1.2 ± 0.3	1.3 ± 0.3	0.004	0.74	0.30
VLDL cholesterol (mmol/L)	0.60 (0.29, 1.24)	0.50 (0.24, 1.05)	0.007	0.56 (0.24, 1.32)	0.59 (0.27, 1.3)	0.44	0.67	0.009
Total triglycerides (mmol/L)	1.32 (0.62, 2.68)	1.09 (0.52, 2.3)	0.007	1.23 (0.52, 2.89)	1.28 (0.58, 2.82)	0.43	0.47	0.009
Alanine aminotransferase (U/L)	26.1 ± 15.2	16.1 ± 6.3	0.001	26.7 ± 12.4	22.1 ± 9.1	0.04	0.85	0.001

Abbreviations: BP=blood pressure; LDL= low-density lipoprotein; HDL=high-density lipoprotein; VLDL=very low-density lipoprotein

\* Data presented are mean ± se for normally distributed variables, geometric means (95% CI) for skewed variables, from 70 individuals who had data on primary outcomes at 24 months.

† P-value testing for difference between groups at baseline and 24-month after adjusting for baseline value of the variable

‡ P-value testing for change within group

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**Supplementary Table 3.** Number (%) of individuals with adverse events

	<b>All (n=88)</b>	<b>Gastric Band (n=44)</b>	<b>Metformin (n=44)</b>
Stomach Discomfort/Pain	11 (13%)	---	11 (25%)
Diarrhea	3 (3%)	---	3 (7%)
Breast Cancer*	2 (2%)	2 (5%)	---
Port Revision/Replacement	2 (2%)	2 (5%)	---
Protracted Vomiting/Band Slippage*	2 (2%)	2 (5%)	---
Depression and GI issues	1 (1%)	---	1 (2%)
Heartburn	1 (1%)	---	1 (2%)
Nausea	1 (1%)	---	1 (2%)
Lack of Energy	1 (1%)	---	1 (2%)
Upper GI for Dysphagia	1 (1%)	1 (2%)	---
Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy*	1 (1%)	1 (2%)	---
Motor Vehicle Accident*	1 (1%)	---	1 (2%)
Elective Gastric Sleeve Surgery*	1 (1%)	---	1 (2%)

\* Serious Adverse Events

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