



Medical and surgical approaches to the management of obesity

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Overview

- Epidemiology of obesity and treatment options
- Indications for bariatric surgery
- Effects on fertility
- Effects on pregnancy
- Recommendations for clinical care



"Venus in front of the mirror" PP Rubens, 1613

Prevalence of overweight and obese women in pregnancy



Guelinckx et al, Obesity Reviews, 2008



¹ Villamor et al. Lancet 2006; ² Kaiser L et al al. J Am Diet Assoc 2008; ³ Viswanathan et al. Evid Rep Technol Assess 2008

Complications of obesity in pregnancy



Guelinckx et al, Obesity Reviews 2009

Hypertension



Treatment of obesity during pregnancy





R Magritte "attempting the impossible"

Treatment of Obesity during pregnancy?



Diet quality in obese pregnant women

- Prospective longitudinal study, N = 142
- 4 BMI categories
- Evaluation of diet quality during each trimester



Life style coaching





Percentile curves for GWG for each BMI category

Guelinckx I et al. Gynecol Obstet Invest 2010;69:57-61



Ideale gewichtstoename tijdens de zwangerschap

BMI > 29,0 kg/m²

Zwanger- schapsduur	Gewicht kg	Gewichts -toename	Gewichtstoename in kg
41			23
40	88.5	15.5	20 19 19 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
38	87.7	14.7	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
36	87.9	14.9	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
32 (30-34)	84	17	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
28 (28-32)	82.2	9.2	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
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24 (24-28)	87.2	8.2	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
20 (18-22)	77.4	4.4	$\begin{array}{c} -1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1$
16	77 7	47	-4 -5 -6 -7
12 (11-14)	74.9	19	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40
8	75	2	// Zwangerschapsduur in weken//
Startgewicht	73		Gewichtstoename bij meting = gewicht bij een meting – startgewicht gemiddelde gewichtstoename
			aanbevolen spreidingsgebied

RCT: effect of life-style advice



Guellinckx et al, Am J Clin Nutr 2010







No influence on obstetrical outcome parameters

	Controls	Brochure	Intervention	р
Ν	51	45	38	
GWG(kg)	10.2 ± 7.2	11.0 ± 6.9	10.3 ± 5.9	ns
Hypertention,	15 (55.6)	10 (33.3)	12 (44.4)	ns
Preeclampsia (N,%)	4 (13.8)	1 (3.4)	1 (3.4)	ns
Inductions (N,%)	13 (43.3)	12 (37.5)	18 (60.0)	ns
CSections (N,%)	4 (12.9)	10 (29.4)	7 (22.6)	ns
Birth weight (kg)	3.4 ± 0.4	3.5 ± 0.5	3.5 ± 0.5	ns
Macrosomia (N,%)	2 (6.5)	4 (11.8)	5 (16.1)	ns

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Study	Intervention	Intervention Controls		weight gain		
Borberg et al, 1980: RCT	Diet 800-2000 kcal with150-180g Carbohydrates	10 obese $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{+}$	3 groups of ♀ (underweight, normal weight, obese)		NA	NA
<i>Gray-Donald et al, 2000:</i> Prospective controled trial	Life-style sessions	112 obese \bigcirc	107 obese \bigcirc	=	Ш	+
Olson et al, 2004: Prospective cohort	GWG monitoring using graphs and brochures	179 ♀ normal BMI + overweight	381 ♀	=	NA	NA
Polley et al, 2002: RCT	Diet and life-style advice. GWG monitoring using graphs.	30 ♀ normal BMI 27 ♀ overweight	31 \bigcirc normal BMI 22 \bigcirc overweight	=	Ш	NA
Kinnunen et al, 2007: RCT	Individual life style advise	49 obese $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{+}$	56 lean ♀	=	NA	+
Wolff et al, 2007: RCT	10 x individual 1-h consultation	23 obese ♀	27 obese ♀		NA	+
RCT	consultation					NA not a

Preconceptional treatment of obesity



Mortality	Rate	After	Bariatric	Surgery,	by	Age	and	Sex
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Table 2. Mortality Rate After Bariatric Surgery, by Age and Sex

		I	Mortality Rate, %	
Age Category (y) and Sex	No.	30 Days	90 Days	1 Yea
<25				
Women	150	0.7	1.3	2.0
Men	53	0.0	1.9	1.9
Subtotal	203	0.7	1.5	2.0
25-34 Women	1241	0.8	1.2	0.5
Women	1341	0.0	1.3	2.5
Men	486	2.1	3.3	4.3
Subtotal	1827	1.1	1.8	3.0
35-44 Women	3288	1.0	1.5	2.7
Men	1121	3.2	3.7	5.6
Subtotal	4409	1.5	2.0	3.4
45-54				
Women	4214	1.1	1.8	3.1
Men	1191	4.5	5.4	7.7
Subtotal	5405	1.9	2.6	4.1
55-64				
Women	2126	2.0	2.5	4.7
Men	668	2.1	3.1	6.9
Subtotal	2794	2.0	2.7	5.2
65-74				
Women	1039	2.6	3.4	6.2
Men	342	5.8	8.2	12.9
Subtotal	1381	3.4	4.6	7.8
≥75				
Women	85	18.8	28.2	40.0
Men	51	19.6	35.3	51.0
Subtotal	136	19.1	30.9	44.1
Total	16 155	2.0	2.8	4.6

Flum, D. R. et al. JAMA 2005;294:1903-1908.



Indications for Bariatric surgery

- National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Expert Panel on the identification, evaluation, and treatment of obesity for adults
 - bariatric surgery be an option for carefully selected patients with clinically severe obesity (BMI >40 or >35 with comorbid conditions) when less invasive methods of weight loss have failed and the patient is at high risk for obesity-associated morbidity and mortality.
 - The American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) medical position statement on obesity
 - most effective approach for achieving long-term weight loss.

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- recommends surgery for patients with a BMI >40, or those with BMI >35 and 1 or more severe obesity-related medical complication (eg, hypertension, heart failure, or sleep apnea) if they have been unable to achieve or maintain weight loss with conventional therapy, have acceptable operative risks, and are able to comply with long-term treatment and follow-up. (5)
- American College of Preventive Medicine
 - policy statement on weight management counseling
 - recomments limiting surgical therapy for obesity to severely obese patients, defined as BMI >40.

Pentin et al, 2005

Indications for bariatric surgery

- Country-specific different reimbursement criteria
- Criteria tend to become more liberal
- Most often used
 - Morbidly obese BMI>40
 - BMI>35 with comorbidities
 - Lifestyle interventions not succesfull
 - Operative risk acceptable
- Commercial circuit

National Trends in Annual Numbers of Bariatric Procedures, 1998-2003



Santry, H. P. et al. JAMA 2005;294:1909-1917.



Types of Bariatric Surgical Procedures Performed in the United States From 1998 to 2002 Based on Data From the Nationwide Inpatient Sample

Table 2. Types of Bariatric Surgical Procedures Performed in the United States From 1998 to 2002 Based on Data From the Nationwide Inpatient Sample

		1	No. (%) of Procedure	s		
Procedure Type	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	P Value for Trend*
Gastric bypass	10675 (79.9)	20 421 (89.5)	27 497 (88.5)	48 507 (85.4)	63 538 (88.0)	.27
Gastroplasty†	3295 (24.7)	2097 (9.2)	4357 (14.0)	6247 (11.0)	5369 (7.4)	.01
Malabsorptive‡	990 (7.4)	1277 (5.6)	3684 (11.9)	4732 (8.3)	7495 (10.4)	.54
Gastrectomy§	258 (1.9)	721 (3.2)	495 (1.6)	2186 (3.8)	3082 (4.3)	.30
Other	43 (0.3)	31 (0.1)	70 (0.2)	303 (0.5)	1446 (1.9)	.13
Total No. of procedures¶	13 365	22 809	31 082	56781	72 177	<.001

*In the proportion of total procedures.

Includes vertical banded gastroplasty and adjustable gastric banding.

Includes duodenal switch, biliopancreatic diversion, and isolated intestinal bypass.

§Includes sleeve gastrectomy and any isolated partial gastrectomy.

Includes gastric bubble insertion and nonspecified stomach procedures.

The numbers in the columns do not add up because they are survey weighted estimates.

Santry, H. P. et al. JAMA 2005;294:1909-1917.



Characteristics of Patients Undergoing Elective Bariatric Surgical Procedures From 1998 to 2002 Based on Data From the Nationwide Inpatient Sample

 Table 3. Characteristics of Patients Undergoing Elective Bariatric Surgical Procedures From 1998 to 2002 Based on Data From the Nationwide

 Inpatient Sample

			No. (%) of Patients*	t.		
	1998 (n = 13 365)	1999 (n = 22 809)	2000 (n = 31 082)	2001 (n = 56 781)	2002 (n = 72 177)	P Value for Trend†
Age, mean (SD), y	39.6 (0.28)	41.5 (0.31)	40.8 (0.28)	40.9 (0.17)	41.7 (0.21)	<.001
<18	52 (0.4)	141 (0.6)	119 (0.4)	196 (0.4)	195 (0.3)	.09
18-34	4321 (32.3)	6052 (26.5)	8932 (28.7)	16312 (28.7)	19 488 (27.0)	.007
35-49	6832 (51.1)	11 301 (49.6)	15 574 (50.1)	27 819 (49.0)	34 732 (48.1)	.01
50-64	2032 (15.2)	5029 (22.0)	6240 (20.0)	12 085 (21.3)	17 055 (23.6)	<.001
>64	127 (1.0)	286 (1.3)	217 (0.7)	368 (0.6)	706 (1.0)	.29
Women	10 782 (81.3)	18 595 (81.6)	26 493 (85.2)	47 714 (84.0)	60 671 (84.1)	.003
<pre>Annual incomet <\$24 999</pre>	605 (4.5)	826 (3.6)	1504 (4.8)	1715 (3.0)	1411 (2.0)	<.001
\$25 000 to \$34 999	3741 (28.0)	6267 (27.5)	7031 (22.6)	11 046 (19.5)	9844 (13.6)	<.001
\$35 000 to \$44 999	4253 (31.8)	7162 (31.4)	8326 (26.8)	13 771 (24.3)	16 122 (22.3)	<.001
≥\$45 000	4269 (31.9)	7858 (34.5)	13 583 (43.7)	29638 (52.2)	43 055 (59.7)	<.001
Type of insurance Private§	10 061 (75.3)	17 135 (75.1)	25 043 (80.6)	46 893 (82.6)	59 835 (82.9)	.001
Medicare	1160 (8.7)	1975 (8.7)	1986 (6.4)	3243 (5.7)	4280 (5.9)	.003
Medicaid	949 (7.1)	1530 (6.7)	2184 (7.0)	2744 (4.8)	3433 (4.8)	.05
Self-pay		1100 00 40	1150 0 7	<u> </u>	occp (3.5)	.06
Other	Mostly	premenor	bausal (fe	rtile) wom	nen (2.7)	.87
Charlson Index None	9469 (70.8)	15 228 (66.8)	21 292 (68.5)	37 980 (66.9)	46 329 (64.2)	.001
1	3101 (23.2)	5980 (26.2)	7990 (25.7)	15 390 (27.1)	20 644 (28.6)	<.001
2	605 (4.5)	1285 (5.6)	1480 (4.8)	2791 (4.9)	4198 (5.8)	.16
>2	190 (1.4)	316 (1.4)	319 (1.0)	620 (1.1)	1005 (1.4)	.53

*Unless otherwise indicated.

+In the proportion of patients.

‡Annual household income based on patient's ZIP code of residence as reported by the Nationwide Inpatient Sample.

§Includes fee-for-service and health maintenance organizations.

Using the Deyo adaptation²⁶ of the Charlson Index, which is designed for use with administrative data.

Santry, H. P. et al. JAMA 2005;294:1909-1917.



Currently used bariatric procedures

- Restrictive operations
 - Laparoscopic Adjustable Gastric Banding = LAGB
 - Sleeve gastrectomy
 - Vertical banded gastroplasty
- Malabsorbtive operations
 - Biliopancreatic diversion
 - BPD with duodenal switch

Restrictive/Malabsorbtive operations

- Roux en Y gastric bypass
- Mini gastric bypass

Gastric stimulation

- Gastric pacemaker
- Intragastric electrical stimulation

Korenkov and Sauerland, Lancet 2007



DeMaria, E.J., Bariatric surgery for morbid obesity. N Engl J Med, 2007. 356(21): p. 2176-83

Mechanism of weight loss

Restrictive procedures

- Mechanical: decreased stomach volume: rapid feeling of satiation
- Hormonal pathway:
 - Ghrelin: decreased production in stomach: decreased appetite
 - Peptides produced by intestinal endocrine L-cells: central (n.arcuatus) effect: decreased appetite
 - Glucagon-like peptide 1: central effect and endocrine effect on gluconeogenesis
- Malabsorbtive: malabsorbtion
- Mixed: combination of both



Jacob Jordaens, "Allegory of fertility"

What is the effect of bariatric surgery on fertility?



SOS-study

Sjöström et al, NEJM 2007

Influence of bariatric surgery on fertility



Merhi et al, Fertil Steril 2009

Authors (reference)	Sample size	Design	Summary of findings			
Bastounis et al. (38)	38	Prospective study	Normalization of menstrual cycle irregularities			
Rochester et al. (41)	25	Prospective study	Partial recovery of luteal function			
Merhi et al. (48)	18	Prospective study	Drop in plasma BDNF			
Manco et al. (49)	10	Prospective study	Increase in free cortisol, FCI, and insuli insulin secretion	n sensitivity. Decrease in CBG and		
Chikunguwo et al. (51)	86	Prospective study	Decrease in TSH. No change in free T_4			
Moulin de Moraes et al. (52)	72	Prospective study	Decrease in TSH. No change in free T_4			
Eid et al. (66)	24	Historical cohort	Spontaneous conception in 5 PCOS wo	omen		
Deitel et al. (62)	30	Case series	Spontaneous conception in 9 women a	nd regulation of the menstrual cycle		
Martin et al. (64)	20	Clinical trial	Spontaneous conception in 5 women. N	No obvious fetal or neonatal effects		
Bilenka et al. (63)	6	Retrospective study	Spontaneous conception in 5 women a	nd reduction in the risk of miscarriage		
Friedman et al. (89)	1,136	Retrospective study	Reduction in the risk of miscarriage and	d decrease in pregnancy complications		
Marceau et al. (65)	783	Cross-sectional study	Normalization of gestational weight changes and reduction of fetal macrosomia			
Sheiner et al. (67)	28	Historical cohort	No difference in obstetric characteristic outcome. Higher rates of fertility treatm	s, pregnancy outcome, or perinatal ents		
Merhi et al. (73)	16	Prospective study	Drop in plasma MIS			
Gerrits et al. (39)	40	Prospective study	Unintended pregnancies in 2 of 9 morb	idly obese women despite OCP use		
Victor et al. (40)	7	Prospective study	Lower plasma OCP metabolites levels			
Kinzl et al. (98)	82	Cross-sectional study	Enhanced sexual function			
Camps et al. (99)	94	Cross-sectional study	Enhanced sexual function			
Hafner et al. (100)	83	Cross-sectional study	Enhanced sexual function	Merhi Fert Ster 2009		

Bariatric surgery and oral contraceptives

Author	Design	Ν	Surgery	Findings
Gerrits et al, 2003	Prospective study	40	Biliopancreatic diversion	2/9 unplanned pregnancies in OAC using group
Victor et al, 1996	Prospective study	7	Jejuno-ileal bypass	Lower OAC serum levels
Increas sexua activi	sed al ty		Decreased contraceptive effectiveness	Unplanned pregnancies

Effect of bariatric surgery on pregnancy outcome



R Magritte "la reproduction interdite" 1937

Problems with literature

- Different types of surgery
- Surgical publications tend to be more optimistic than
 obstetric or neonatal publications
- Few prospective studies
- Small cohorts, case series, case reports
- Case-control studies with variable controls
 - Same preoperative BMI
 - Same preconceptional BMI
 - Pregnancy before the surgery

Recent reviews on the subject

Pregnancy and Fertility following bariatric surgery: **A systematic review** JAMA 2008; 300:2286-2296 Maggard MA, Yermilov I, Li Z, et al

Pregnancy after bariatric surgery: **A comprehensive review** Arch Gynecol Obstet 2008; 277:381-388 Karmon A, Sheiner E

Reproductive outcome after bariatric surgery: A critical review Human Reproduction update 2009; 15:189-201 Guelinckx I, Devlieger R, Vansant G.

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Reference	Type of surgery	Study population, Controls prepregnancy age and BMI	Significant positive Significant negat changes compared changes compar with control group with control grou	ive No change compared red with control group p
Sheiner et al. (2006)	Mixture	28 with GDM age 28.6 y, 3.6% obese 7986 with GDM age 3 obese	0.8 y, 1.5% Low complication rate of surgery iselffertility treatments	Pregnancy, perinatal or labour characteristics
Sheiner et al. (2004)	Mixture	298 age 29.1 ± 5.7 y, 10.4% obese 158 912 age 28.3 ± 5 obese	9 y, 1.2% Fertility treatment PROM labour induction failed induction CS macrosomia IUGR	Other pregnancy or perinatal complications, gestational age
Deitel et al. (1988)	Mixture	7 with 9 pregnancies no age/BMI 86 with 274 pregnanc available	es fertility GDM PIH PET venous thrombosis CS	Birthweight
Ducarme et al. (2007)	LAGB	13 age 31.5 ± 5.7 y, BMI 34.8 ± 3.2 414 age 31.0 ± 6.0 y, kg/m ² kg/m ²	BMI 35.8 ± 4.0 GDM PET spontaneous vaginal delivery VBAC CS GWG macrosomia low birthweight PET spontaneous vaginal delivery VBAC CS GWG macrosomia	Labour induction, PIH, pregnancy duration, post-partum haemorrhage
Dixon et al. (2005)	LAGB	79 pregnancies, age 29.9 ± 4.7 y, no 1) Pre-LAGB pregnan BMI available 2) Obese matched co	low birthweight cies GDM trols PIH PET	Birthweight
Skull et al. (2004)	LAGB	49 pregnancies, age 31 y, BMI 32.8 Same with 31 preope kg/m ² gregnancies, age 27 y kg/m ²	ative GDM r, BMI 34.1 PIH PET GW/G	Obstetric complications, CS Neonatal complications
Bilenka et al. (1995)	VBG	9 with 14 pregnancies, age 32 ± 5 y, Same 9 with 18 pregr weight loss 35 ± 11 kg, no BMI available kg/m ²	ancies, 1 fertility 42.2 ± 4.6 spontaneous miscarriage complicated pregnancies Normal birthweioths	
Patel et al. (2008)	RYGB	26 , age 34.1 \pm 4.5 y, BMI 32.5 \pm 7.2 188 non-obese, 39 ob severely obese control severely obese control	ese and 27 Comparable to non-obese and obese Comparable to severely ob- severely obraction on control: GWG, fetal birthweight, and anaemia macrosomia and CS 2 cases with small bowel of	ese: SGA GDM ostruction PIH PET
Wittgrove et al. (1998)	RYGB	40 with 49 pregnancies, no age/BMI 17 preoperative pregr available	ancies GDM CS GWG macrosomia	Premature delivery Preterm delivery
Marceau et al. (2004)	BPD	132 with 251 pregnancies no 594 with 1577 pregna age/BMI available	ncies fertility SGA 2.5% albumin deficien Normal GWG requiring PN macrosomia	t, High miscarriage rate, premature delivery, stillbirths, malformation
Richards et al. (1987)	RYGB	57 pregnancies, age 32 ± 5 y, no BMI 57 controls matched t available weight age 29 ± 4y	o preoperative PIH GWG Gworoso bithweight	CS, premature delivery, blood transfusion, SGA, perinatal death
Case-control s	studies. Guelinckx	c et al. Hum Reprod Update	. 2009	

‡ Reference	Surgery	Study	sAB (%)	GDM (%)	PIH (%)	PET (%)	PTD (%)	CS (%)	Macrosomia	SGA (%	5) Others
		population, age (y), BMI (kg/m²)							(%)		
Bar-Zohar et al. (2006)	. LAGB	81 pregnancies, age NA, BMI 30.3±3	NA	16	7.4	NA	NA	20.0	NA	NA	2.4% band slippage resulting vomiting, dehydration, electrolyte disturbances
Dixon et al. (2001)	LAGB	22 pregnancies, age 28.8 ± 4.4, BMI 35 ± 7	. 4.3	4.5	4.5	NA	0	13.6	4.5	0	1 patient with hyperemesis, requiring post-natal removal of all fluid in LAGB 1 patient with symptomatic gallstones
Weiss et al. (2001)	LAGB	7 pregnancies, age 33 ± 4.1, BMI 34.8 ± 5.8	28.6	0	0	0	0	28.6	0	14.3	1 intragastric band migration, 1 balloon defect, required re- operation
Martin et al. (2000)	LAGB	23 pregnancies, age 29, BMI NA	, 8.7	0	0	0	0	22.2	0	0	
Dao et al. (2006)	RYGB	Early group	23.8	0	4.8	0	4.8	40.0	0	NA	4.8% anaemia, 4.8% cholelithiasis requiring hospitalization
		Late group	0	0	0	7.7	15.4	58.8	0	NA	0% nutritional deficiencies, 7.7% placental abruption
Friedman et al. (1995)	BPD	152 pregnancies, age 31.4, BMI	11.4	0	0.7	9.0	15.3	44	NA	27.8	1.3% Perinatal deaths, 21% required TPN
Printen and Scott (1982)	BPD	54 pregnancies, age NA, BMI NA	, 4.0 A	NA	NA	NA	15.2	10.5	NA	18.4	2.6% microcephalic child, 5.3% required parenterale iron, 2.6% perinatal death

Cohort studies, Guelinckx et al, Hum Reprod update 2009

Reference	Type of surgery	Interval operation and pregnancy	Maternal complication	Fetal complication	Long-term outcome
Wang et al. (2007)	RYGB	2 months	Internal hernia		Uncomplicated
Wax et al. (2007a, b)	RYGB	12 months	Intussusception		Uncomplicated
Bellanger et al. (2006)	RYGB	24 months	Small bowel obstruction		Uncomplicated
Ahmed and O'Malley (2006)	RYGB	8 months	Internal hernia		Uncomplicated
Baker and Kothari (2005)	RYGB	4 months	Internal hernia		Uncomplicated
Loar et al. (2005)	RYGB	NA	Small bowel volvulus	Preterm delivery	Maternal death
Kakarla et al. (2005)	RYGB	9 months	Internal herniation	Preterm delivery	Uncomplicated
Kakarla et al. (2005)	RYGB	30 months	Small bowel herniation		Uncomplicated
Charles et al. (2005)	RYGB	6 months	Small bowel herniation		Uncomplicated
Moore et al. (2004)	RYGB	18 months	Small bowel herniation		Maternal + fetal deaths
Graubard et al. (1988)	BPD	3 years	Small bowel obstruction leading to maternal death	Fetal death	Maternal + fetal deaths
Smets et al. (2006)	BPD	8 vears	Vit A deficiency	Bilateral microphthalmia	_
Huerta et al. (2002)	BPD	13 years	Vit A deficiency	Vit A deficiency	Unknown
Grange and Finlay (1994)	BPD	24 months	Subclinical Vit B ₁₂ deficiency	Failure to thrive, anaemia and neutropenia	Uncomplicated
Wardinsky et al. (1995)	RYGB	6 years	Vit B ₁₂ deficient breast milk	macrocytic anaemia, Vit B ₁₂ and folate deficient	Uncomplicated
Campbell et al. (2005)	GB	32 months	Asymptomatic Vit B ₁₂ deficiency	Asymptomatic Vit B ₁₂ deficiency	Uncomplicated
Gurewitsch et al. (1996)	GB	4 years	Iron deficiency anaemia	, 12 ,	Uncomplicated
Martens et al. (1990)	GB	16 months	Anaemia during pregnancy, low fat content breast milk	Failure to thrive	Uncomplicated
Adami et al. (1992)	BPD	2 months	Severe protein malnutrition requiring PN via central vein	Reduced fetal growth	Uncomplicated with normal weight baby
Adami et al. (1992)	BPD	3 years	Severe protein malnutrition requiring PN via central vein	Reduced fetal growth	Uncomplicated with normal weight baby
Adami et al. (1992)	BPD		11 cases with moderate malnutrition requiring PN via peripheral	5 SGA babies	Uncomplicated
Case reports,	Guelinckx	et al, F	lum Reprod update 2009		

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Cools et al. (2006)	BPD	3 years	Abdominal pain at 33 weeks	Fetal hydrops, congenital abnormalities, anaemia, prolonged coagulation	Perinatal death
Cools et al. (2006) Cools et al. (2006)	BPD BPD	2 months 2 years	Unknown Nutritional deficiencies, hypoplastic anaemia,	Unknown Multiple congenital abnormalities, preterm delivery, severe anaemia,	Failure to thrive Severe retardation, epilepsy, blind, deaf
Cools et al. (2006)	BPD	18 months	Nutritional deficiencies no gestational weight gain	Preterm delivery	Uncomplicated
Cools et al. (2006)	BPD	3 years	Preterm contractions 22 weeks		Perinatal death
Cools et al. (2006)	BPD	5 years	Preterm contractions 27 weeks	Hydrocephaly, atrophy, hypoplastic	Retarded, vision disturbances,
Cools et al. (2006)	BPD	7 years	Nutritional deficiencies preterm contractions for which cerclage	Preterm delivery	Uncomplicated
Cools et al. (2006)	BPD	18 months	Nutritional deficiencies no gestational weight gain	Cystic and haemorrhagic zones bilatera frontparietal, anaemia, nutritional deficiencies, prolonged coagulation	Epilepsy, good development at age of 2 months
Granstrom et al. (1990)	Mason	15 months	Malnutrition due to recurrent vomiting	growth retardation and	Uncomplicated
Weissman et al. (1995)	Mason	11 years	Pre- and post-natal electrolyte imbalances, due to recurrent vomiting	Electrolyte imbalances	Perinatal death, uncomplicated for mother
Ramirez (1995)	Mason	4 years	GI haemorrhage after erosion of band	CS for abruptio placentae	Uncomplicated
Van Mieghem et al. (2008)	LAGB	2 years	Vitamin K deficiency	Cerebral haemorrhage	Perinatal death
Erez (2004)	LAGB	24 months	Perforated gastric ulcer	Preterm CS	Uncomplicated

Case reports, Guelinckx et al, Hum Reprod update 2009

Type of surgery and pregnancy risks

Outcome	<i>Mixture of</i> procedures ¹	Restrictive procedures ²	RYGB ³	Malabsorptive procedures⁴
Mean birthweight	3.275 (3.195– 3.398)	3.276 (2.11–3.86)	2.938 (2.727– 3.205)	2.926 (2.151–3.5)
GDM	4.3 (0–9.4)	4.3 (0–16)	2.4 (0-5.3)	0
PIH	7.7 (0–17.9)	5.2 (0–10)	3.5 (0–9.0)	0.7
PET	2.9 (0-5.7)	2.1 (0-7.7)	3.8 (0-7.7)	9.0
PTD	10.4	2.3 (0–7.7)	14.0 (4.8–26.9)	14.7 (13.6–15.3)
CS	20.3 (0–35.7)	18.3 (0–28.6)	44.3 (25.0–61.5)	24.9 (10.5–44.0)
GWG	NA	9.0 (3.7–15.6)	11.1 (1.8–15.4)	5.6 (1.5–9.1)
Neonatal deaths	0.1 (0-0.3)	1.3 (0–7.7)	0.7 (0–3.5)	2.0 (1.3–2.6)

Data are presented as mean (min-max). If only one study reported on the variable, no range is available.

CS, Caesarean section; GDM, gestational diabetes mellitus; GWG, gestational weight gain; NA, not available; PET, pre-eclampsia; PIH, pregnancyinduced hypertension; PTD, preterm delivery; RYGB, Roux-en-Y gastric bypass.

¹Deitel *et al.*, 1988; Sheiner *et al.*, 2006; Sheiner *et al.*, 2004.

²Bab-Zohar et al., 2006; Bilenka et al., 1995; Dixon et al., 2005; Dixon et al., 2001; Ducarme et al., 2007; Skull et al., 2004; Weiss et al., 2001.

³Dao et al., 2006; Patel et al., 2008; Richards et al., 1987; Wittgrove et al., 1998.

⁴Friedman *et al.*, 1995; Marceau *et al.*, 2004; Printen and Scott 1982.

Effects on reproduction: summary

Improvement	Fertility Hypertensive disorders GDM LGA Excessieve GWG
	SGA
Worsening	Surgical complications Nutritional deficiencies Prematurity?
No effect	Caesarean section Prematurity?
No data	Miscarriages Weight retention lactation









Neonatal adverse cases

	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4	Case 5
Type of bariatric surgery	Gastric banding	Gastric banding	Gastric banding	Biliopancreatic diversion	Duodenal switch
	PT 46.8% (70–150%)	Pseudo-Bartter			Vitamin K 0.0008 nmol/L (0.8–5.3 nmol/L)
	aPTT 29.3 s (24–31 s)	K⁺ 2.29 mmol/L (3.5–5.1 mmol/L)			
	f II 56% (70–130%)	Contraction of the second			
Laboratory values mother	f V 121% (70–130%)				
	f VII 40% (70–130%)	1 × × ×			
	f IX 75 % (70–130%)				
	f X 27% (70–130%)				
	Vitamin K1 0.2 nmol/L				
	(0.8–5.3 nmol/L)				
	PT < 10% (70–100%)	Pseudo-Bartter	PT 16.8% (70–100%)	PT 53% (70–100%)	
	aPTT 121.2 s (24–38 s)	K+ 2.42 mmol/L (3.5–5.1 mmol/L)	aPTT 93.4 s (24–38 s)	aPTT 38 s (24–38 s)	
	Fibrinogen 1.29 g/L (2.00– 3.80 g/L)		Fibrinogen 0.93 g/L (2.00– 3.80 g/L)		
Laboratory values infants	f II 13% (70–130%)	HCO ₃ - 27.8 mmol/L (22–29 mmol/L)	f II 18% (70–130%)		
	f V 78% (70–130%)		f V 50% (70–130%)		
	f VII 2.9% (70–130%)		f VII 2.6% (70–130%)		
	f IX 0.8% (70–130%)		f IX 8% (70–130%)		
	f X 4.2% (70–130%)		f X 13% (70–130%)		
Neonatal outcome	Died	Died	Mental retardation	Mental retardation	Died

Eerdekens et al, 2009

Prospective, observational, multicentric cohort

PABAS study (Pregnancy After BAriatric Surgery)

PABAS: pregnancy after bariatric surgery

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0 5			20	25	30	35	40	6
Prenatal visit / Anamnesis		1 A Contraction of the second s	√			✓	~	1
Ultrasound examination		V	1			√		
Dietary record	1		1					
Physical activity questionnaire	×		✓					
Fasting Blood sample		V		√				
OGTT				1				
Non-fasting Blood sample							1	
Cord blood sample							1	



	Restrictive procedure	Malabsorptive procedure	P -
	N - 15	N - 20	
Age (years)	29.9 ± 2.6 (25 – 36)	30.3 ± 5.1 (22 – 38)	0.7
Height (m)	1.65 ± 0.1 (1.50 – 1.74)	1.66 ± 0.1 (1.57 – 1.80)	0.8
Preoperative weight (kg)	107 <mark>± 13</mark> (88 <mark>–</mark> 127)	<mark>115 ± 19</mark> (88 <mark>–150)</mark>	<mark>0.2</mark> 2
Preoperative Body Mass Index (kg/m²)	<mark>39 <mark>±</mark> 4 (33 <mark>–</mark> 46)</mark>	42 <mark>±</mark> 6 (32 <mark>-</mark> 57)	<mark>0.3</mark> (
Maximum poctoporativo weight loss (kg)	<mark>32 ± 14 (18 –</mark> 56)	45 ± 16 (22 <mark>–</mark> 79)	<mark>0.0</mark> :
viaximum postoperative weight loss (kg)			
nterval between surgery and conception (months)	39 ± 22 (6 – 72)	32 <mark>± 23 (2 –</mark> 79)	<mark>0.3</mark> 0
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Fat soluble vitamin levels 1st trimester

	Reference value	Restrictive procedure	Malabsorptive procedure	P-value
		N = 15	N = 20	
Vitamin A (µg/l)				
Mean ± SD	300 - 650	368 ± 116	397 ± 85	0.399
Normal		87 %	89 %	
Deficient		13 %	11 %	0.626
25-OH-Vitamin D (ug/l)				
Mean ± SD	7.0 - 60.0	26 ± 15	23 ± 14	0.700
Normal		57 %	71 %	
Deficient < 20 μg/l		36 %	7 %	
Deficient < 7 μg/l		7 %	22 %	0.143
Vitamin E (mg/l)				
Mean ± SD	5.0 - 20.0	12 ± 2	12 ± 2	0.542
Normal		100 %	100 %	
Vitamin K (nmol/l)				
Mean ± SD	0.8 – 5.3	0.5 ± 0.3	0.4 ± 0.3	0.233
Normal		20 %	11 %	
Deficient		80 %	89 %	0.409

concentration of vitamin K in the neonate is only 20% that of adult

- •Immaturity of the neonatal liver,
- Low vitamin K content of breast milk
- •Sterile gut
- Poor placental transfer of vitamin K

Dietary habits 1st trimester

	Restrictive	Malabsorptive	P-value
	procedures	procedures	
	N = 15	N = 20	
Energy Intake (kcal/day)	1915 ± 399	1794 ± 317	0.369
Protein Intake (E%)	15.2 ± 1.5	15.6 ± 2.3	0.544
Carbohydrate intake (E%)	48.5 ± 5.5	46.2 ± 3.9	0.196
Fat intake (E%)	36.8 ± 4.7	38.2 ± 3.8	0.363
Saturated fat intake (E%)	14.0 ± 2.6	14.3 ± 2.1	0.732
Intake fibers (g/day)	17.8 ± 4.0	17.0 ± 5.0	0.623
Intake calcium (mg/day)	771 ± 296	686 ± 220	0.385
Intake Fe (mg/day)	10 ± 2	9 ± 2	0.171
Fruit (pieces/day)	0.8 ± 0.4	0.8 ± 0.7	0.995
Vegetables (g/day)	161 ± 54	132 ± 40	0.116
Total FA score	8.4 ± 1.4	8.9 ± 3.1	0.549

Recommendations for pregnancy care after bariatric surgery

- Start preconceptionally
- Multidisciplinary approach
- Patient-tailored

Preconception

- Delay pregnancy until after period of rapid weight loss (1 year minimum)
- Provide effective contraception
- Involve life-style coach
- Evaluate nutritional state, correct where necessary
- Evaluate most common deficiencies
- Supplement according to deficiencies
- Start folic acid (4mg)
- Advice rapid pregnancy test if sec amenorrhea

Booking

- Involve life-style coach
- Evaluate nutritional state, correct where necessary
- Evaluate most common deficiencies
- Supplement according to deficiencies (Fe, B12, vit K)
- Continue folic acid (4mg if obese) untill 12 weeks
- Adjustable balloon: not systematically open, open if vomiting regularly (DD morning sickness)

Pregnancy

- Advice GWG according to IOM guidelines for preconception BMI
- Pay attention to symptoms of surgical complications
- Detailed morphologic scanning at 12-20-30 weeks
 Attention for growth, ossification, ICH
- Screen for GDM
 - GCT-OGTT dumping very frequent (50-95%)
 - Fasting glucose
- Reevaluate nutrition-deficiencies every trimester

Postpartum

- Advice and support breast feeding ?
- Evaluate for signs of depression
- Advice life-long coaching of life-style

Guelinckx et al, Hum Reprod Update 2009 Martens et al, 1990

Conclusions

- Increasing number of obese pregnant women
- Treatment/coaching during pregnancy is disappointing
- Bariatric surgery is increasingly being used to treat morbid obesity in women of reproductive age
- General reproductive capacity and pregnancy outcome appears
 improved after bariatric pregnancy
- Specific fetal, maternal and obstetrical complications are more frequent after bariatric surgery
- A patient-tailored multidisciplinary approach is advisable

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