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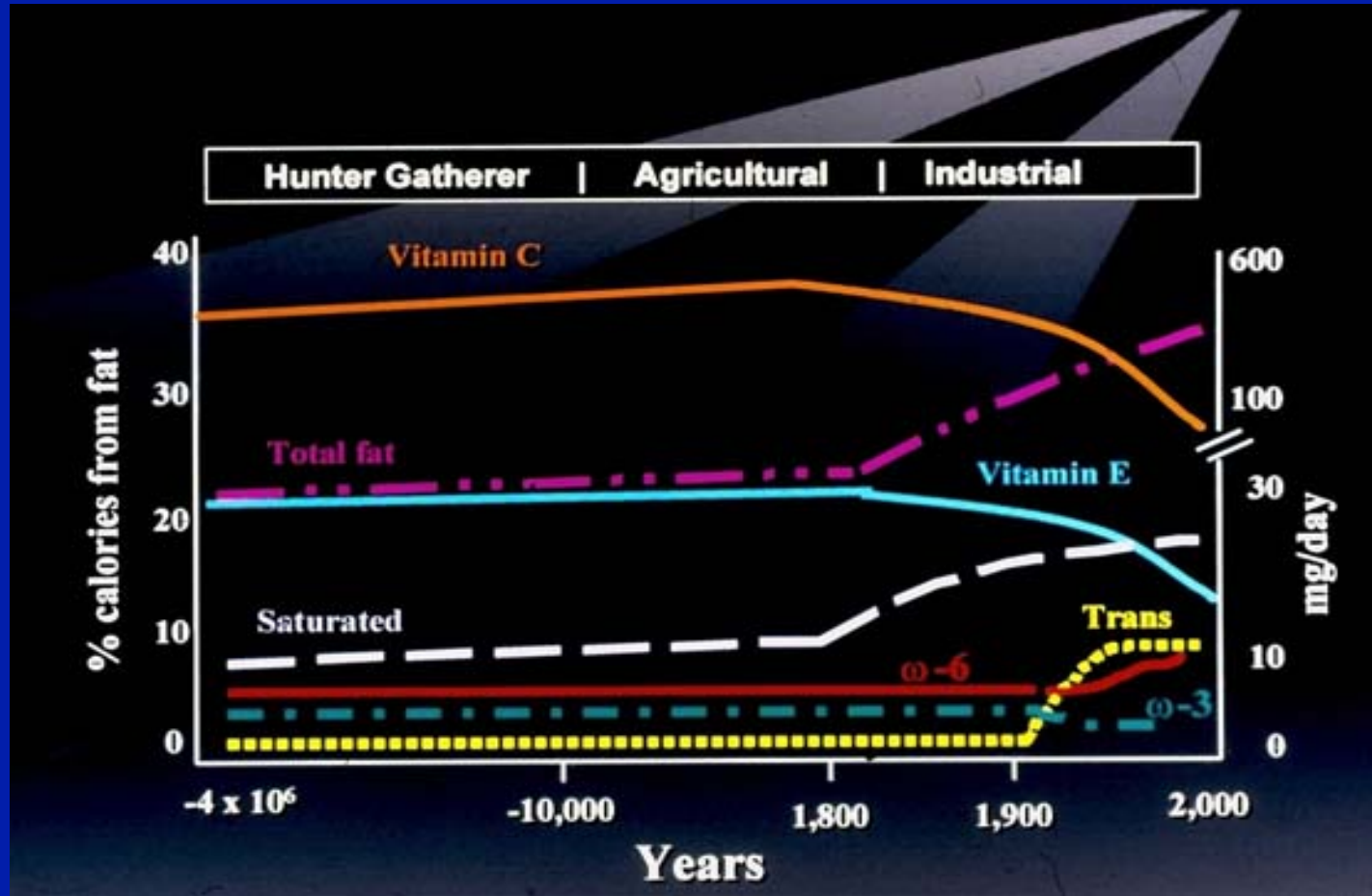
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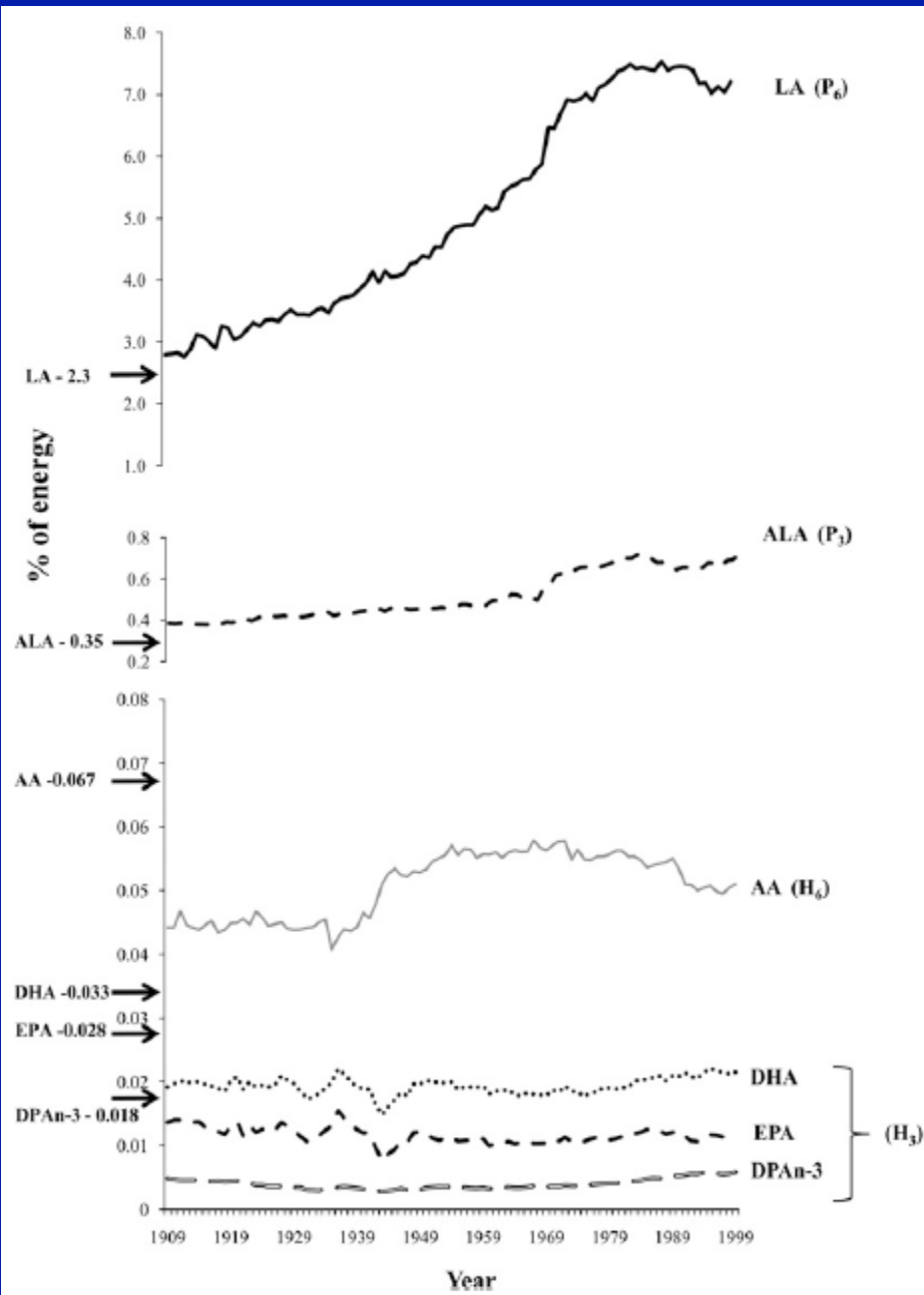
Athens, Greece

Hypothetical scheme of fat, fatty acid ($\omega 6$ and $\omega 3$, trans and total) intake (as percent of calories from fat) and intake of vitamins E and C (mg/d)



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Essential Fatty acid intake in the 20th Century



Availability of essential fatty acids from 1909 to 1999. 1909-T data are indicated by solid arrows for LA (2.23% of energy), ALA (0.35% of energy), arachidonic acid (AA) (0.67% of energy), docosahexaenoic acid (DHA) (0.033% of energy), eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) (0.028% of energy), and docosapentaenoic acid (DPAn23) (0.018% of energy).

COMPARISON OF DIETARY FATS

SATURATED FAT

POLYUNSATURATED FAT

■ Linoleic Acid
■ Alpha-Linolenic Acid
 (An Omega-3 Fatty Acid)

MONOUNSATURATED FAT

DIETARY FAT

CHOLESTEROL
mg/Tbsp

Fatty acid content normalized to 100 percent

DIETARY FAT	CHOLESTEROL mg/Tbsp	Fatty acid content normalized to 100 percent			
Canola oil (New Puritan Oil)	0	6%	22%	10%	62%
Safflower oil	0	10%	77%	Trace	13%
Sunflower oil	0	11%	69%		20%
Corn oil	0	13%	61%	1%	25%
Olive oil	0	14%	8%	1%	77%
Soybean oil	0	15%	54%	7%	24%
Margarine	0	17%	32%	2%	49%
Peanut oil	0	18%	33%		49%
Chicken fat	11	31%	21%	1%	47%
Lard	12	41%	11%	1%	47%
Beef fat	14	52%	3%	1%	44%
Butterfat	33	66%	2%	2%	30%

References: Canola oil: data on file, Procter & Gamble. All others: Reeves, J.B. and Wehrauch, J.L. *Composition of Foods, Agriculture Handbook No. 8-4*. Washington, D.C.: United States Department of Agriculture, 1979.

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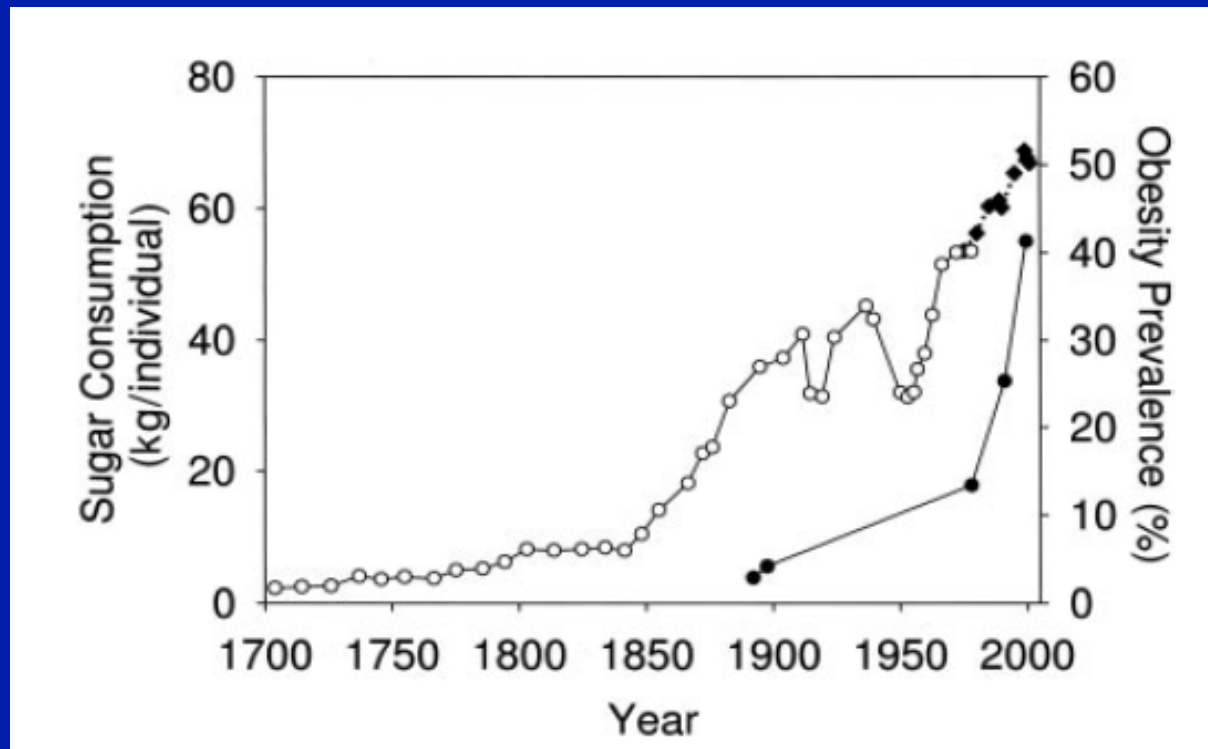
ω 6: ω 3 ratios in various populations

Population	ω 6: ω 3	Reference
Paleolithic	0.79 ^{a,b}	Eaton et al, 1998
Greece prior to 1960	1.00-2.00	Simopoulos, 1999
Current United States	16.74	Eaton et al, 1998
United Kingdom and northern Europe	15.00	Sanders, 2000
Japan	4.00	Sugano and Hirahana, 2000
India rural	5-6.1	Pella et al, 2003
India urban	38-50	Pella et al, 2003

^aData from Eaton et al. (1998), World Rev Nutr Diet.

^bAssuming an energy intake of 35:65 of animal: plant sources.

Sugar and the Cardiorenal Disease Epidemic



Sugar intake per capita in the United Kingdom from 1700 to 1978 (30, 31; E) and in the United States from 1975 to 2000 (32;) is compared with obesity rates in the United States in non-Hispanic white men aged 60–69 y (17; F). Values for 1880-1910 are based on studies conducted in male Civil War veterans aged 50–59 y (18).

Conclusions

Dietary recommendations at the population level will continue to be made, but customized dietary recommendations at the individual level are the expectation for the future. Combined efforts including changes in lifestyle (exercise), controlled and selective nutrition, could bring about the reversal of diseases or at least slow down disease processes and enhance survival. The establishment of Regional Centers on Genetics Nutrition and Fitness for Health may make this possible.