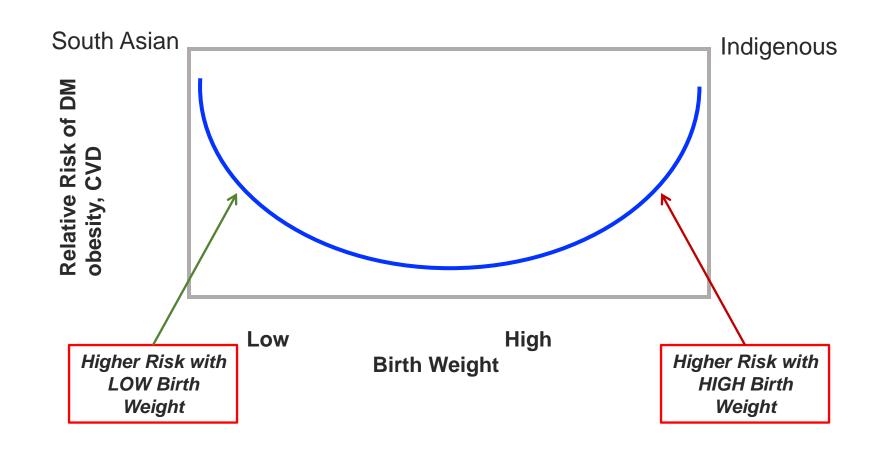


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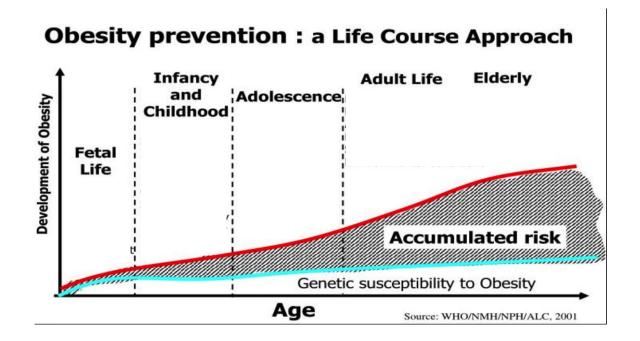
## Life-course approach to understanding cardio-metabolic risk factors development



#### **Life Course Perspective**

- Cardio-Metabolic Factors account for two-thirds of CVD risk
- Risk factors are present at younger ages in South Asians
- Why do these risk factors develop earlier in South Asians? at determines whether these risk factors develop?







#### **Diverse Environments**





**288**Mothers/Babies
Feb 2011-Sep 2015

484 Mothers/Babies Feb 2011-Sep 2015 1,000 Mothers/Babies Jul 2011 – Nov 2015

Rural India

Urban India





### Recruitment and Follow-up

	START Canada
Recruitment (N)	1012
Birth Visits (N)	1001
1 Year (N, %)	940 (95.7%)
2 Year (N, %)	913 (93.3%)
3 Year (N, %)	924 (94.6 %)
5 Year* (N, %)	629 (87.7%)

START Urban India: 484; Rural 288

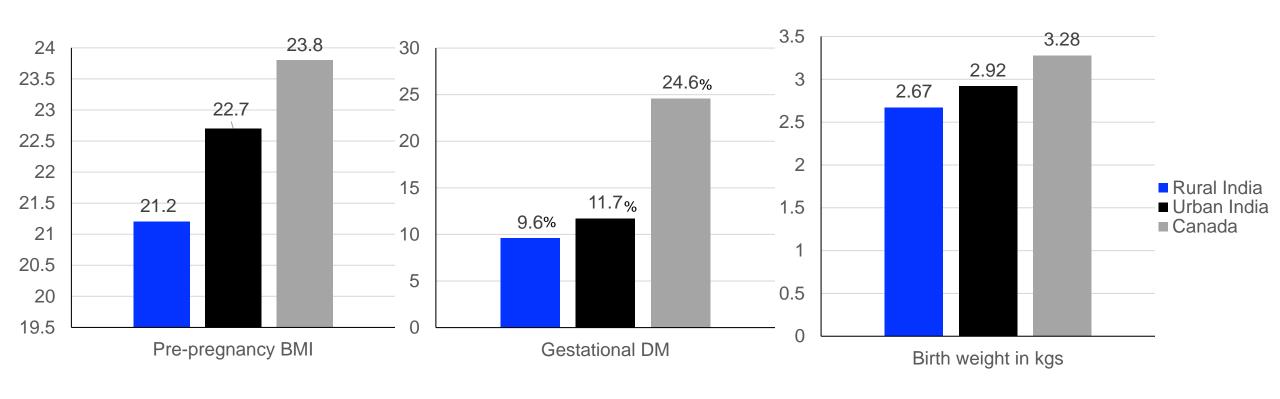
## Measures at pregnancy, birth, 1 year, 3 and 5 years in Mother (m) and Child (c)

Measures	Prenatal	Birth	1 year	3 year	5 years*
Physical Measures	1012 (m)	998 (c)	863 (m) 901 (c)	860 (m) 902 (c)	611 (m) 606 (c)
Body fat	1012 (m)	968 (c)	732 (m) 743 (c)	643 (m) 663 (c)	384 (m) 391 (c)
Diet	1012 (m)		802 (m) 937 (c)	816 (m) 630 (c)	583 (m) 574 (c)
Physical Activity	1012 (m)		931 (m)	895 (m) 891 (c)	577 (m) 589 (c)
SES/Social Support	1012 (m)		821 (m)	819 (m)	385 (m)
Sleep			925 (m) 930 (c)	893 (m) 880 (c)	383 (m) 386 (c)
K-10 (Depression)	1012 (m)		931 (m)	901 (m)	383 (m)
OGTT	935 (m)				
Stored Blood/ Urine	983 (m)	776 (m)	214 (m) 220 (c)	31/292 (m) 33/292 (c)	134/316 (m) 69/311 (c)
Placenta Sample		N=674			

# START Canada vs India Baseline Characteristics

BASELINE PARAMETERS	Canada (n=1012)	Urban India (N=484)	Rural India (N=288)
Maternal Age	30.2 (3.9)	23.7 (3.4)	203.9 (2.4)
Primiparous (%)	30.5	55.8	84.7
Employed outside home (%)	54.1	18	5
High school education or higher (%)	82.9	68.8	36.8

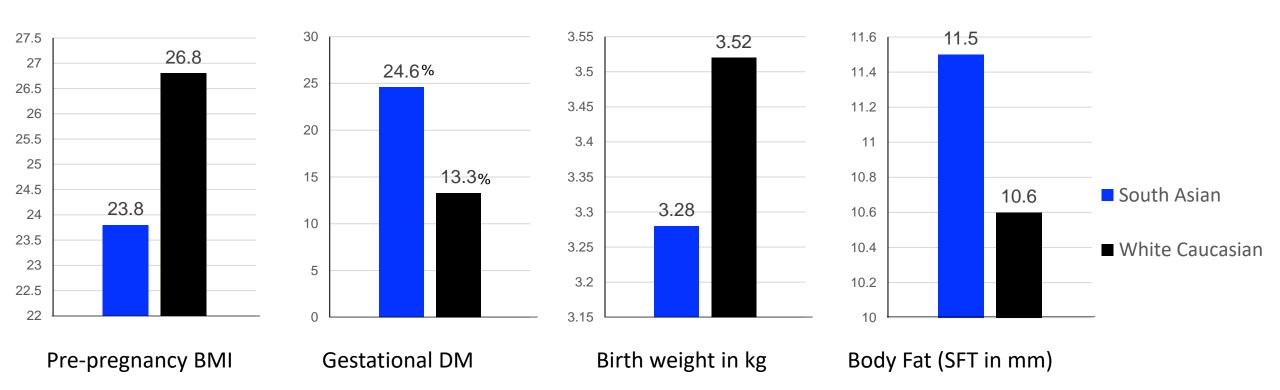
#### Comparing South Asians in India to Canada



### START Canada vs India Dietary Characteristics

BASELINE PARAMETERS	Canada (n=1012)	Urban India (N=484)	Rural India (N=288)
Daily Energy Intake (kcals/d)	2060	1850	1533
Protein (% total Kcals)	15.4	11.6	11.9
Fat (% total kcals)	28.6	24.1	22.1
Carbohydrate (% total kcals)	56	64.3	66

## South Asians vs White Caucasians Maternal BMI, GDM and Offspring



Lower BMI South Asian women have more GDM "Thin-fat" phenotype present from birth!