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32 **ABSTRACT**

33 **Background:** The interaction of nutrients with the small intestine modulates
34 gastropyloroduodenal motility, stimulates the release of gut hormones, and suppresses appetite
35 and energy intake.

36 **Objective:** To evaluate in healthy, lean males, which, if any, of these parameters are
37 independent determinants of acute energy intake.

38 **Design:** Data from eight published studies, involving a total of 67 healthy, lean males, in
39 which antropyloroduodenal pressures, gastrointestinal hormones and perceptions were
40 measured during intraduodenal nutrient, or intravenous hormone, infusions, were pooled. In all
41 studies energy intake at a buffet lunch was quantified immediately after the infusions. To select
42 specific motor, hormone or perception variables for inclusion in a multi-variable mixed-effects
43 model for determination of independent predictors of energy intake, all variables were assessed
44 for collinearity and, using bivariate analyses adjusted for repeated measures, within-subject
45 correlations between energy intake and these variables were determined.

46 **Results:** While correlations were found between energy intake with antropyloroduodenal
47 pressures, plasma hormone concentrations and gastrointestinal perceptions, only the peak
48 number of isolated pyloric pressure waves, peak plasma cholecystokinin and AUC of nausea
49 were identified as independent predictors of energy intake (all $P < 0.05$), so that increases of 1
50 pressure wave, 1 pmol/L and 1 mm.min, respectively, were associated with reductions in
51 energy intake by ~36 kJ, ~88 kJ and 0.4 kJ, respectively.

52 **Conclusions:** We have identified specific changes in gastrointestinal motor and hormone
53 function, i.e. stimulation of pyloric pressures and plasma CCK, and nausea, that are associated
54 with the acute suppression of energy intake.

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56 **Key words:** Gastrointestinal motility; glucagon-like peptide-1; peptide YY; intraduodenal
57 nutrient infusion; appetite perceptions

58 INTRODUCTION

59 In Western countries, the prevalence of obesity has more than doubled over the past three
60 decades (1). Hence, there is an urgent need for effective prevention and treatment strategies.

61 Numerous dietary and pharmacological treatments for obesity have been developed, however,
62 most have limited efficacy and, in the case of drugs, adverse effects occur frequently (2). The
63 available therapies have largely ignored the pivotal role of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract in the
64 regulation of appetite and energy intake in humans (3-9).

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66 The modulation of energy intake by the GI tract is likely to involve both motor and hormonal
67 mechanisms. While distension of both the proximal and distal stomach increases fullness (10,
68 11) and suppresses energy intake (4, 12), the antrum may play the dominant role (4, 10). The
69 presence of nutrients in the small intestine slows gastric emptying potently, by decreasing antral
70 motility and stimulating phasic and tonic pyloric pressure waves, and stimulates the release of
71 GI hormones, including cholecystokinin (CCK), peptide YY (PYY) and glucagon-like peptide-
72 1 (GLP-1) (13, 14), which may mediate the concomitant inhibition of appetite and subsequent
73 energy intake. For example, studies using the CCK-1 receptor antagonist, loxiglumide, have
74 established that endogenous CCK inhibits energy intake (6, 15, 16). Exogenous PYY(3-36) and
75 GLP-1 have also been reported to decrease energy intake in some (5, 17), but not all (18-20),
76 studies. We recently reported an inverse relationship between the suppression of energy intake
77 and stimulation of pyloric pressures in response to intravenous CCK-8 infusion in healthy
78 males (7), providing evidence of a link between specific changes in GI motor function and the
79 suppression of energy intake in humans. Since modulations in antropyloroduodenal motility
80 underlie the slowing of gastric emptying (21), with pyloric pressures playing the dominant role
81 (22), this finding provides a rationale to account for the relationship between the slowing of
82 gastric emptying and the suppression of energy intake reported previously (23). Changes in
83 motility and hormone secretion occur concurrently with changes in appetite, and it is,

84 accordingly, not surprising that there is little information as to which, if any, of these factors are
85 independent determinants of energy intake. For example, while CCK does have a role, this may
86 potentially be mediated indirectly by its effect on motility (7, 19).

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88 During the last few years, we have performed a series of studies in our laboratory in healthy
89 males, relating to GI motor and hormonal function and appetite and energy intake in response to
90 small intestinal nutrient (8, 24-29) or intravenous hormone (7, 19, 30) administration,
91 accumulating a substantial body of data. A focus of this work has been on pyloric motility,
92 given that the pylorus is of pivotal importance to the regulation of gastric emptying (22), but
93 has hitherto received inappropriately little attention. Individually, such studies are often limited
94 by small sample sizes, so that it is only possible to perform simple correlation or regression
95 analyses between energy intake and physiological parameters, uncontrolled for other concurrent
96 physiological changes. Pooling data from these studies has enabled us to generate a uniquely
97 large set of data to examine the simultaneous relationships amongst multiple parameters and,
98 thus, to determine independent predictors of acute energy intake.

99 **METHODS**

100 **Subjects**

101 A total of 67 subjects, with a mean age of 26 ± 1 years and normal body weight for their height
102 (BMI 23.3 ± 0.3 kg/m²), participated in the studies that were included in this analysis (7, 8, 19,
103 24-30). Of the 67 subjects, 6 subjects participated in 2, 4 subjects in 3, and 2 subjects in 5
104 studies. Information relating to the subjects in each study is provided in **Table 1**. All subjects
105 were unrestrained eaters, as determined by a score of <12 on the eating restraint component of
106 the three-factor eating questionnaire (31) and were questioned prior to the study to exclude
107 significant GI symptoms or disease, current use of medication known to affect GI function or
108 appetite, cigarette smoking, or intake of >20 g alcohol/day. The Royal Adelaide Hospital
109 Research Ethics Committee approved the study protocols, and the studies were initiated
110 between May 2003 - July 2008. All subjects provided informed, written, consent prior to their
111 inclusion.

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113 **Study design**

114 Data from eight published studies (7, 8, 19, 24-30), representing all studies conducted in our
115 laboratory using identical methodologies and techniques and evaluating the same outcome
116 measures, were pooled for analysis. The data were then analyzed employing the same
117 statistical tests that would be appropriate for a full meta-analysis, although it is inappropriate to
118 refer to the current study as such, given that the included studies were not identified through a
119 systematic review (32).

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121 **Study protocols**

122 Each study evaluated the effects of either intraduodenal nutrient (8, 24-29) or intravenous
123 hormone (7, 19, 30) infusions on antropyloroduodenal motility, GI hormone release, appetite
124 and energy intake. Intraduodenal or intravenous infusions, rather than oral ingestion, were used

125 in these studies to bypass ‘orosensory’ and ‘gastric’ influences on gut function and appetite.
126 Energy intake was assessed at the end of the duodenal nutrient infusion period, or during the
127 final 30 min of the intravenous hormone infusion, using a cold buffet-style meal. The
128 treatments and infusion periods in each of the studies varied, and the protocol details are
129 provided in **Table 1**.

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131 In all studies, subjects arrived in the laboratory after an over-night fast. A 16-channel catheter
132 (Dentsleeve International Ltd, Ontario, Canada), for the assessment of pressures in the
133 antropyloroduodenal region, was inserted through an anesthetized nostril into the stomach, and
134 allowed to pass into the duodenum by peristalsis (22). Six side-holes (channels 1 - 6) were
135 positioned in the antrum, a 4.5 cm sleeve sensor (channel 7), with two channels present on the
136 back of the sleeve (channels 8 and 9), was positioned across the pylorus, and seven side-holes
137 (channels 10 - 16) were positioned in the duodenum. Side-holes were spaced at 1.5 cm
138 intervals. An additional channel, positioned 11.75 cm distal to the pylorus, was used for
139 intraduodenal infusion of nutrients or saline control (8, 24-29). Both the most distal antral
140 (channel 6, ~ -40mV), and the most proximal duodenal (channel 10, ~ 0mV), channels were
141 perfused with degassed 0.9% saline so that the position of the catheter could be monitored
142 continuously through measurement of the transmucosal potential difference (22). For this, an
143 intravenous cannula was placed subcutaneously in the left forearm and filled with sterile saline
144 as a reference electrode (22). All other channels were perfused with degassed, distilled water at
145 0.15 ml/min. For intravenous infusions of saline, CCK-8 or GLP-1, an intravenous cannula was
146 placed in the right arm (7, 19, 30). A second intravenous cannula was inserted into a left
147 forearm vein for blood sampling, and blood samples were obtained at regular intervals during
148 studies. Gastrointestinal perceptions were assessed at regular intervals using a validated visual
149 analogue scale questionnaire (VAS) (33). At the end of each infusion, subjects were extubated
150 and offered a cold buffet-style meal to consume freely for up to 30 min, until comfortably full.

151 The meal consisted of white and whole-meal breads, cold meats, cheese, lettuce, tomato,
152 cucumber, mayonnaise, butter, apple, banana, yoghurt, chocolate custard, fruit salad, iced
153 coffee, orange juice and water, and the quantities of food offered were in excess of what the
154 subjects were expected to eat (19).

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156 **Data analysis**

157 The parameters assessed in each study are detailed in **Table 2**.

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159 Manometric pressures were digitized and recorded on a computer-based system, running
160 commercially available software (HAD, A/Prof GS Hebbard, Royal Melbourne Hospital,
161 Australia), and stored for subsequent analysis. APD pressures were analyzed for (i) number
162 and amplitude of antral and duodenal pressure waves (PWs), and (ii) basal pyloric pressure and
163 number and amplitude of isolated pyloric pressure waves (IPPWs), using previously described
164 criteria (34, 35). Antral and duodenal PWs were expressed as total numbers and mean
165 amplitudes (mmHg). IPPWs, defined as pyloric pressure waves that occur in the absence of
166 pressure waves on adjacent antral and duodenal channels, were characterized by the peak
167 number during the infusion, time to peak number (min), number of IPPWs pre-meal (i.e.
168 immediately before the buffet meal), total number and area under the curve (AUC; calculated
169 using the trapezoidal rule, as a measure over the entire infusion period) (min), and AUC of the
170 amplitude of IPPWs (mmHg.min). Basal pyloric pressure, or tone, was expressed as peak
171 pressure (mmHg), time to peak pressure (min) and AUC (mmHg.min).

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173 For subsequent analysis of CCK, PYY and GLP-1, venous blood samples were collected in ice-
174 chilled EDTA-treated tubes containing 400 kIU aprotinin (Trasylo1; Bayer Australia Ltd,
175 Pymble, Australia) per ml blood. Plasma was obtained by centrifugation of blood samples at
176 3200 rpm for 15 min at 4°C, and plasma was frozen at -70°C for subsequent analysis of CCK

177 (7, 8, 19, 25-29), GLP-1 (8, 19, 26, 28) and PYY (7, 24, 25, 27, 29, 30) by radioimmunoassays.
178 Plasma CCK, PYY and GLP-1 concentrations were expressed as AUC (pmol/L.min) and
179 plasma concentrations pre-meal (pmol/L) and, for plasma CCK concentrations, peak
180 concentration (pmol/L) and time to peak concentrations (min) were calculated. The latter were
181 not calculated for plasma PYY and GLP-1, as these did not generally reach a peak, but
182 continued to rise, throughout the infusion periods.

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184 Appetite perceptions were rated using a validated VAS questionnaire (33). Nausea and bloating
185 were also assessed. Each VAS consisted of a 100 mm horizontal line, where 0 represented
186 ‘sensation not felt at all’ and 100 represented ‘sensation felt the greatest’. Subjects placed a
187 vertical mark along the line to indicate the strength of the sensation felt at that particular time
188 point. All data were expressed as AUC (mm.min). Energy intake (kJ) was quantified by
189 weighing the buffet meal before and after consumption and using the software programme
190 Foodworks 3.01 (Xyris Software, Highgate Hill, QLD, Australia) (19).

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192 **Statistical analysis**

193 Data are reported as means (\pm SEM). To assess the strength of the bivariate relationships
194 between each motility, hormone, and perception variable with energy intake, within-subject
195 correlations adjusted for repeated measures were performed (36). The independent effects of
196 each motility, hormone and perception variable on energy intake were assessed by entering the
197 variables simultaneously into a multi-variable maximum likelihood linear mixed-effect model,
198 adjusted for repeated visits per subject and the clustering of subjects within studies (37). This is
199 equivalent to the ‘one-step’ analysis approach in a meta-analysis of individual participant data
200 (38). All variables were included in the multi-variable model, except when collinearity
201 (defined as $r > 0.7$) was present. In this case, of the related variables from within the same
202 underlying motility, hormone or perception parameter, only one was selected for inclusion into

203 the model, to ensure the robustness of the regression estimates. This variable was selected
204 based on consistency across studies and the strength of bivariate associations with energy
205 intake. As not all parameters were measured in all studies (see **Table 1**), the multi-variable
206 analysis was conducted as three separate models. Model 1 included parameters that were
207 measured in all eight studies. Model 2 included all parameters in Model 1 plus PYY (6
208 studies), while Model 3 included all parameters from Model 1 plus GLP-1 (4 studies). To test
209 for potential selection effects, Model 1 was re-run on the 4 studies used in Model 3, to ensure
210 that a particular variable was not identified as independent depending on which studies were
211 included in the Model and to ensure that no variables were under-represented. Analyses were
212 conducted using SPSS 17 software (SPSS Inc, 2008, Chicago, USA). Significance was
213 determined at $P < 0.05$.

214 **RESULTS**

215 **Bivariate correlation analyses**

216 Within-subject correlations between energy intake and each of the measured parameters are
217 presented in **Table 3**.

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219 Collinearity was present amongst a number of variables, thus, only one could be entered into
220 the multi-variate model to guarantee robust estimation of the regression effects. Within the
221 variables characterizing IPPWs, peak number, total number and AUC of the number were
222 strongly associated with each other (all $r > 0.74$). Of these, peak number was selected for
223 inclusion in the multi-variable model, as it exhibited the strongest correlation with energy
224 intake. Of the CCK parameters, peak concentration was strongly correlated with both AUC and
225 pre-meal concentrations (both $r > 0.85$), and thus peak concentration was selected, as, of those
226 three variables, it best characterized the CCK response. For PYY and GLP-1, pre-meal levels
227 were strongly associated with the corresponding AUCs (both $r > 0.84$), thus, AUCs were
228 included in the multi-variable model, as they best characterized these hormone profiles. Of the
229 appetite-related scores, hunger, desire-to-eat and prospective consumption were strongly
230 correlated with each other (all $r > 0.82$), thus, prospective consumption was included in the
231 model, as it showed the strongest correlation with energy intake. All other variables were
232 entered automatically into the multi-variable model, due to the absence of any multi-
233 collinearity.

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235 **Multi-variable mixed-effects models**

236 In all three models, the peak number of IPPWs, peak plasma CCK concentration and AUC for
237 nausea were consistently identified as independent predictors of energy intake (all $P < 0.05$,
238 **Table 4**), so that an increase in each of these variables by 1 pressure wave, 1 pmol/L and 1

239 mm.min, while controlling for all other parameters, was associated with a reduction in energy
240 intake by ~36 kJ, ~88 kJ and 0.4 kJ, respectively.

241
242 In addition, models 1 and 2 indicated that the number of IPPWs pre-meal was independently
243 associated with energy intake ($P < 0.05$). However, in contrast to the peak number of IPPWs,
244 an increase in the number of IPPWs pre-meal by 1 pressure wave was associated with an
245 increase in energy intake by ~19 kJ.

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247 Model 2 further identified the time to peak number of IPPWs and peak basal pyloric pressure,
248 but not plasma PYY concentration, as significantly associated with energy intake (all $P < 0.05$,
249 **Table 4**). An increase in the time to peak number of IPPWs by 1 min, while controlling for all
250 other parameters, was associated with a reduction in energy intake by ~10 kJ. In contrast, an
251 increase in peak basal pyloric pressure by 1 mmHg increased energy intake by ~68 kJ.

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253 Finally, model 3 indicated that the plasma GLP-1 concentration was not an independent
254 predictor of energy intake.

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256 The robustness of the above results was confirmed by re-running Model 1 (complete set of
257 variables) on the subset of 4 studies that were used in Model 3 (data not shown). Despite the
258 reduction in the number of studies included in the model from 8 to 4, peak number of pyloric
259 pressures, plasma CCK concentrations and nausea were identified as independent determinants
260 of energy intake, confirming the above results.

261

262 DISCUSSION

263 Our study provides persuasive evidence of a direct relationship between energy intake with
264 specific changes in gastric motility and gut hormones. When controlling for all other variables,
265 the peak number of isolated pyloric pressure waves, peak plasma CCK concentrations and AUC
266 of nausea were consistently, i.e. in all three statistical models, identified as independent
267 predictors of acute energy intake in healthy males.

268

269 It has long been assumed that acute changes in GI function in response to nutrient ingestion,
270 which serve to optimize digestion and absorption of nutrients, also play a key role in the
271 regulation of energy intake. For example, in dogs electrical stimulation of the pylorus, which
272 increases both tonic and phasic pyloric pressures, is associated with suppression of energy
273 intake (39), in line with our recent finding of an inverse relationship between the stimulation of
274 pyloric pressures and subsequent energy intake (7). While the latter did not establish a causal
275 association, the outcome of the extensive statistical analyses performed in the current study
276 strongly supports this concept. Thus, the magnitude of stimulation of IPPWs (specifically the
277 peak number) independently determines the degree of suppression of acute energy intake.
278 Since pyloric stimulation is a major determinant of the slowing of gastric emptying (22), it
279 could be argued, that prolongation of gastric filling underlies the ‘pyloric’ effects. However, as
280 in all our studies the stomach was empty, it is clear that pyloric pressures may have a
281 suppressant effect on energy intake, even in the absence of gastric filling. The number of
282 IPPWs pre-meal and peak basal pyloric pressure indicated effects on energy intake in a counter-
283 intuitive positive direction, and the reason(s) underlying this are unclear. It can be difficult to
284 predict the direction of individual effects when controlling for other, inter-related, parameters
285 and, as these parameters were not identified consistently in all three models, this may well
286 represent a statistical anomaly.

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288 There has been, and continues to be, substantial interest in the role of gut peptides in the
289 regulation of energy intake, with the view to develop novel anti-obesity strategies. CCK is
290 probably the best-studied of all gut peptides (7, 12, 40). Together with these previous data, our
291 findings that peak plasma CCK concentration is an independent determinant of acute energy
292 intake underlines the importance of CCK in the regulation of acute energy intake. Given that it
293 is well established that CCK, when given intravenously, has a marked stimulatory effect on
294 pyloric pressures (7, 41), by acting on CCK-1 receptors located on the pylorus (42), it could be
295 argued that the effect of CCK on energy intake depends on its action on the pylorus. However,
296 our statistical approach, which, when assessing one parameter, controls for all other variables,
297 shows clearly that the two stimuli act independently. That the pylorus plays an independent
298 role is supported by a recent study in dogs, in which electrical pyloric stimulation, in the
299 absence of CCK, was associated with suppression of food intake (39). This said, it is important
300 to recognize that while our statistical analysis indicated that these factors acted independently
301 of each other, the information from both signals (as well as others) is transmitted to the brain
302 and integrated within the central nervous system to result in the overall outcome, ie the
303 magnitude of energy intake suppression.

304
305 The peak stimulation of both IPPWs and plasma CCK occurred 15 - 30 min after
306 commencement of the intraduodenal nutrient or intravenous hormone infusions (8, 19, 24-30),
307 and these responses had diminished by the time energy intake was assessed, consistent with the
308 concept that the information was encoded in the brain and translated into a suppression in
309 energy intake even after a temporal delay, yet still inversely proportionate to the maximum
310 pyloric and CCK stimulation that occurred 60 - 90 min earlier. This relationship clearly
311 warrants further investigation in prospective studies, but the finding offers initial insights as to
312 how information on the extent of peripheral nutrient or hormonal stimulation may be conveyed
313 to, and then used by, the brain to determine subsequent energy intake.

314
315 The effects of PYY(3-36), the active metabolite of PYY, on energy intake have been the subject
316 of much debate, with a number of studies reporting profound suppressant effects of ~30 % (5,
317 43), in lean and obese humans, while extensive studies in rodents found no such effects (18). A
318 study by Degen and colleagues provided a conceivable explanation for this major discrepancy
319 by demonstrating that the suppressant effect of PYY(3-36) on energy intake in humans is only
320 apparent at pharmacological doses and coincides with the induction of nausea (44). Thus, our
321 finding that PYY is not an independent predictor of energy intake is not surprising, particularly
322 since the vast majority of individuals did not experience overt nausea or other adverse effects
323 during any of the treatment conditions. The fact that CCK stimulates the release of PYY (30),
324 an action mediated by CCK-1 receptors (45), may, at least in part, explain why PYY was not
325 identified as an independent predictor of energy intake. Data relating to the role of GLP-1 in
326 the regulation of energy intake are also inconsistent. While many studies have demonstrated
327 that intravenous infusion of GLP-1 suppresses energy intake (17, 46, 47), other studies found
328 no effect (19, 20, 48, 49). We did not identify plasma GLP-1 concentration as an independent
329 predictor of energy intake. Other gut peptides, including ghrelin and pancreatic polypeptide,
330 have also been reported to modify energy intake in humans (50, 51). We were unable to
331 investigate the potential contribution of these peptides.

332
333 Our findings of correlations between appetite perceptions and subsequent energy intake confirm
334 data from a previous study in young and older subjects (33) and are not surprising. In contrast,
335 our analysis indicated that appetite perceptions are not determinants of energy intake. Perhaps
336 this can be explained by our study design - intraduodenal infusion of nutrients or intravenous
337 administration of gut peptides may not elicit the same feelings of fullness and satisfaction
338 compared with oral meal ingestion, as both orosensory and gastric mechanisms are bypassed.
339 Alternatively, it may suggest that the degree of hunger preceding a meal is not a good predictor

340 of the amount consumed at that meal. Interestingly, nausea was identified as an independent
341 predictor of energy intake. We cannot entirely exclude the possibility that nausea occurred as a
342 result of the direct intraduodenal nutrient, or intravenous hormone administrations utilized in all
343 our studies, but it is important to emphasize that, on average, nausea scores did not increase by
344 more than ~10 %. Hence, the statistical outcome of nausea as an independent predictor of
345 energy intake is based on very modest changes, suggesting that energy intake may, at least in
346 part, be regulated by subtle feelings of nausea, only perceived subconsciously by the subjects.
347 That said, our analysis also indicated that the contribution of nausea to the suppression of
348 energy intake is very small, particularly when compared with the effect of pyloric stimulation
349 and CCK. More research is required to determine how nausea may be part of the spectrum of
350 appetite perception.

351
352 Some limitations of the study need to be recognized. All studies were performed in healthy,
353 lean males, accordingly, we cannot draw any firm conclusions with regards to outcomes in
354 females, with increasing body weight or age. Only sub-sets of studies evaluated plasma PYY
355 and GLP-1 concentrations, which may have influenced the statistical outcomes, however, the
356 standard errors for these parameters remained within reasonable limits, indicating sufficient
357 statistical power, and the main outcomes were confirmed when model 1 was repeated including
358 only the four studies included in model 3. While the studies were performed over a number of
359 years, the techniques, equipment and calibration methods used were identical and the within-
360 subject reproducibility of our techniques is very good (52). Moreover, inter-individual
361 variations in responses were taken into account by employing a multi-variable mixed effects
362 model appropriate for this type of data analysis.

363
364 In conclusion, our findings provide strong evidence that pyloric pressures, plasma CCK and
365 nausea are independent predictors of acute energy intake in healthy males. Evaluation of these

366 parameters as determinants of energy intake, and their potential as screening tools for the
367 appetite-suppressant potency of novel, gut-focused therapeutic agents, in prospective studies
368 would be of interest. Strategies modulating these GI functions to regulate energy intake have
369 the potential to lead to novel approaches to the prevention and management of obesity.

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520 **Table 1:** Subject and protocol details for each study included in the data analyses.

Study	Publication (reference)	Subject criteria			Protocol
		n	Age (yr)	BMI (kg/m ²)	
1	Feltrin (2004) (8)	8	24 ± 4	22.0 ± 1.6	Intraduodenal saline (control); dodecanoic acid (C12) or decanoic acid (C10) at 0.375 kcal/min for 90 min. Buffet meal at 90 min.
	Feltrin (2006) (24)	7*			
2	Little (2005) (28)	13	23 ± 2	23.6 ± 0.5	Intraduodenal saline; C12 at 0.1, 0.2 or 0.4 kcal/min for 90 min. Buffet meal at 90 min.
3	Brennan (2005) (19)	9	22 ± 1	23.0 ± 0.5	Intravenous saline; CCK-8 (1.8 pmol/kg/min), GLP-1 (0.9 pmol/kg/min) or CCK-8+GLP-1 for 150 min. Buffet meal at 120 min.
	Brennan (2007) (30)				
4	Pilichiewicz (2007) (26)	10	32 ± 4	25.1 ± 0.4	Intraduodenal saline; 25% glucose at 1, 2 or 4 kcal/min for 120 min. Buffet meal at 120 min.
5	Pilichiewicz (2007) (27)	16	31 ± 3	23.8 ± 0.5	Intraduodenal saline; lipid at 0.25, 1.5 or 4 kcal/min for 50 min. Buffet meal at 50 min.
6	Brennan (2008) (7)	10	26 ± 2	23.0 ± 0.5	Intravenous saline; CCK-8 at 0.3, 0.6 or 1.8 pmol/kg/min for 120 min. Buffet meal at 90 min.

7	Feltrin (2008) (25)	13	26 ± 2	22.9 ± 0.6	Intraduodenal saline; C12 or oleic acid (C18:1) at 0.4 kcal/min for 60 min. Buffet meal at 60 min.
8	Seimon (2009) (29)	10	25 ± 3	22.8 ± 0.4	Intraduodenal saline; fat emulsions with droplet sizes of 0.26 μm , 30 μm or 170 μm at 2.8 kcal/min for 120 min. Buffet meal at 120 min.

521 Part of the hormone data in studies 1 and 3 were analyzed and published separately, resulting in 2 publications for these studies.

522 * In Study 1, sufficient plasma for the additional hormone analyses was available from only 7 of the 8 subjects.

523 **Table 2:** Parameters measured in each study

Study	Publication (reference)	Antral pressure waves	Isolated pyloric pressure waves	Basal pyloric pressure	Duodenal pressure waves	Plasma CCK	Plasma PYY	Plasma GLP-1	Hunger	Desire -to-eat	Prospective consumption	Fullness	Nausea	Bloating
1	Feltrin (2004) (8)	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Feltrin (2006) (24)						X							
2	Little (2005) (28)	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3	Brennan (2005) (19)	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Brennan (2007) (30)						X							
4	Pilichiewicz (2007) (26)	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
5	Pilichiewicz (2007) (27)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
6	Brennan (2008) (7)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
7	Feltrin (2008) (25)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
8	Seimon (2009) (29)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X

524 CCK, cholecystokinin, PYY, peptide YY, GLP-1, glucagon-like peptide-1, X, parameter measured.

525 **Table 3:** Within-subject correlations between energy intake and gastrointestinal motor,
 526 hormone and perception variables

Parameter	n*	mean	SD	r	P
Antral pressure waves					
Number	88	44.2	79.7	0.12	0.068
Amplitude (mmHg)	88	31.0	26.8	0.23	<0.001
Isolated pyloric pressure waves					
Number pre-meal (/15 min)	84	7.5	10.3	-0.06	0.366
Peak number (/15 min)	84	20.7	12.9	-0.30	<0.001
Time to peak number (min)	84	25.8	20.0	-0.10	0.166
Total number	88	43.6	60.6	-0.12	0.052
AUC of number (min)	84	793	833	-0.25	<0.001
AUC of amplitude (mmHg.min)	84	2296	1622	-0.16	0.015
Basal pyloric pressures					
Peak pressures (mmHg)	85	4.5	5.2	-0.09	0.197
Time to peak pressures (min)	85	30.2	24.7	0.20	0.005
AUC (mmHg.min)	86	86	236	-0.23	<0.001
Duodenal pressure waves					
Number	88	450	396	0.29	<0.001
Amplitude (mmHg)	88	27.0	7.9	0.14	0.029
Plasma CCK					
Pre-meal (pmol/L)	82	6.9	6.5	-0.42	<0.001
Peak concentration (pmol/L)	82	8.5	8.1	-0.33	<0.001
Time to peak (min)	82	29.8	28.3	0.02	0.784
AUC (pmol/L.min)	76	647	8000	-0.38	<0.001

Plasma PYY

Pre-meal (pmol/L)	59	114.7	136.4	-0.23	0.005
AUC (pmol/L.min)	59	6933	10458	-0.22	0.006

Plasma GLP-1

Pre-meal (pmol/L)	38	21.3	17.3	-0.24	0.012
AUC (pmol/L.min)	38	1936	1424	-0.20	0.041

Gastrointestinal perceptions

AUC Hunger (mm.min)	84	-853	1838	0.21	0.001
AUC Desire-to-eat (mm.min)	84	1044	1910	0.24	<0.001
AUC Prospective consumption (mm.min)	84	1065	1777	0.31	<0.001
AUC Fullness (mm.min)	84	1745	1838	-0.12	0.080
AUC Nausea (mm.min)	84	297	968	-0.38	<0.001
AUC Bloating (mm.min)	84	838	1447	-0.28	<0.001

527 AUC, area under the curve; SD, standard deviation; r, correlation coefficient; P, significance
528 level.

529 * Variations in the number of subjects (n) for the various parameters are due to missing data.

530 **Table 4:** Results of mixed-effects multivariable models for determination of independent predictors of energy intake
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Parameter	Model 1			Model 2			Model 3		
	Estimate	SE	P	Estimate	SE	P	Estimate	SE	P
Antral pressure waves									
Number, total	-2.40	1.4	0.092	-2.07	1.6	0.195	3.10	4.0	0.442
Amplitude, mean (mmHg)	3.75	4.0	0.354	6.10	5.5	0.268	1.19	6.2	0.850
Isolated pyloric pressure waves									
Number pre-meal	20.09	8.5	0.019	17.70	8.4	0.037	19.80	21.7	0.367
Peak number	-36.85	7.4	<0.001	-39.36	8.5	<0.001	-32.32	13.9	0.025
Time to peak number (min)	-3.29	3.4	0.341	-10.30	3.9	0.009	-4.27	5.4	0.436
AUC amplitude (mmHg.min)	-0.03	0.1	0.619	-0.08	0.1	0.262	0.04	0.1	0.669
Basal pyloric pressures									
Peak pressure (mmHg)	27.47	21.6	0.206	67.91	22.4	0.003	31.63	32.5	0.334
Time to peak pressure (min)	-2.74	3.3	0.403	-2.00	3.7	0.588	-2.55	6.2	0.682
AUC (mmHg.min)	0.11	0.4	0.799	-0.41	0.5	0.395	0.19	0.6	0.763
Duodenal pressure waves									
Number, total	0.40	0.3	0.146	0.12	0.4	0.785	0.28	0.4	0.506
Amplitude, mean (mmHg)	-5.17	8.5	0.555	-19.52	10.3	0.062	16.62	14.9	0.269

Plasma CCK									
Peak concentration (pmol/L)	-70.39	16	<0.001	-78.09	15.6	<0.001	-115.5	31.3	0.001
Time to peak conc (min)	1.55	2.6	0.551	1.37	3.1	0.657	1.73	3.9	0.656
Plasma PYY									
AUC (pmol/L.min)	-	-	-	0.01	0.0	0.317	-	-	-
Plasma GLP-1									
AUC (pmol/L.min)	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.03	0.1	0.744
Gastrointestinal perceptions									
AUC Prospective consumption									
(mm.min)	0.04	0.1	0.548	0.06	0.1	0.480	-0.01	0.1	0.918
AUC Fullness (mm.min)	0.04	0.1	0.516	0.12	0.1	0.151	-0.01	0.1	0.931
AUC Nausea (mm.min)	-0.38	0.1	<0.001	-0.39	0.1	<0.001	-0.45	0.1	<0.001
AUC Bloating (mm.min)	-0.05	0.1	0.388	-0.05	0.1	0.472	-0.13	0.1	0.179

532 AUC, area under the curve; SE, standard error of the mean; P, significance level

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