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Original Contribution

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1 ABSTRACT

2 **Background:** Roux-en-Y gastric bypass (GBP) and sleeve gastrectomy (SG) have increased
3 dramatically, potentially increasing the prevalence of nutritional deficiencies. The aim of this
4 study was to analyze the effects of food restriction during the first year (reviewer #1,
5 comment #1) after bariatric surgery (BS) on nutritional parameters.

6 **Methods:** 22 and 30 obese patients undergoing GBP and SG were prospectively followed at
7 baseline and three, six and twelve months after BS (N=14 and N=19 at T12) (reviewer #1,
8 comments #2&3). We evaluated food intake and nutrient adequacy (T0, T3, T12), as well as
9 serum vitamins and minerals concentration (T0, T3, T6, T12).

10 **Results:** At baseline, GBP and SG patients had similar clinical characteristics, food intake,
11 nutrient adequacy and serum concentration. The drastic energy and food reduction led to very
12 low probabilities of adequacy for nutrients similar in both models (T3, T12). Serum analysis
13 demonstrated a continuous decrease in prealbumin during the follow-up, indicating mild
14 protein depletion in 37% and 38% of GBP patients and 57% and 52% of SG patients,
15 respectively at T3 and T12 (reviewer #1, comments #5,6&7). Conversely, despite the low
16 probabilities of adequacy observed at T3 and T12, systematic multivitamin and mineral
17 supplementation after GBP and SG prevented most nutritional deficiencies.

18 **Conclusion:** GBP and SG have comparable effects in terms of energy and food restriction,
19 and subsequent risk of micronutrient and protein deficiencies in the first year post BS. Such
20 results advocate for a cautious monitoring of protein intake after GPB and SG and a
21 systematic multivitamin and mineral supplementation in the first year after SG.

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23 **Keywords:** Bariatric surgery; Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass; Sleeve gastrectomy; Protein
24 deficiency; Multivitamin and mineral supplementation.

INTRODUCTION

Among the few therapeutic tools to treat morbid obesity, bariatric surgery (BS) appears to be the most effective strategy as demonstrated by its ability to obtain major and sustainable weight loss along with significant improvement of obesity related-comorbidities [1,2]. As a result, the number of interventions has dramatically risen worldwide, and Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass (GBP) and Sleeve Gastrectomy (SG) represented respectively 47% and 28% of the 340,000 BS performed in 2011 [3]. Since 2008, SG has emerged to such an extent that it has become the most common procedure in several countries, as is the case in France [3]. Although the two surgical techniques and their mechanisms of action differ, they appear to be equally safe and both induce significant weight loss post-surgery [4].

GBP includes diet restriction as well as the bypass of the proximal part of the jejunum involved in nutrient absorption whereas SG is less invasive and principally restricts the volume of the stomach [5] (reviewer #2, comment #4). Therefore SG, compared to GBP, might be viewed as less likely to exacerbate the risk of micronutrient deficiencies in obese patients who are already prone to such deficiencies before surgery [6]. Nevertheless, some studies have demonstrated a considerably higher prevalence of nutrient deficiencies after SG [7–11]. Others, comparing GBP and SG, found quite similar prevalence after both procedures [12–16]. Although study designs differed, these converging results highlight the importance of daily multivitamin and mineral supplementation after both procedures, at least in the first year for SG, in accordance with the latest US guidelines [17]. While the previously mentioned studies evaluated nutrient deficiencies using serum biomarker concentrations, only very few have evaluated food and nutrient intake after GBP and SG: Freeman *et al.* evaluated food intake two to four years after surgery [18], Moizé *et al.* and Coupaye *et al.* evaluated the overall macronutrient intake during one year after BS but did not quantify micronutrient

intake [15,19], and Moizé *et al.* evaluated macronutrient and some selected mineral intake during five years after BS [14].

Therefore, we aimed to analyze food restriction effects on the nutritional adequacy of the diet, on macro and micronutrient intake evolution as well as their consequences in terms of bioclinical evolution and micronutrient serum level during one year after both GBP and SG.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Patients

Obese candidates for either GBP or SG according to the international bariatric surgery guidelines [20] (i.e. body mass index (BMI) $\geq 40 \text{ kg/m}^2$, or $\geq 35 \text{ kg/m}^2$ with at least one severe obesity-related comorbidity) were treated in the Obesity Unit of Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital, Institute of Cardio-metabolism and Nutrition, ICAN, Paris, France. Patients determined the choice of technique, and advised by a multidisciplinary panel, from the hospital based on medical history, level of corpulence and obesity-related comorbidity. Weight stable patients were enrolled consecutively in this prospective non-randomized study from January 2012. Hotel-Dieu hospital ethics committee approved the clinical protocol (number P100503 – IDRCB 2011-A00759-32) which was recorded on clinical trial website (NCT: NCT01655017). Subjects gave their written informed consent prior to the study inclusion.

Medical history and clinical evaluation were obtained at baseline and during the follow-up at three (T3), six (T6) and twelve months (T12) as described elsewhere [21] (reviewer #1, comment #1). Anthropometric parameters were estimated by whole-body fan-beam DXA scanning (Hologic Discovery W, software v12.6, 2; Hologic, Bedford, MA), as previously described [22]. Variables from DXA used in the analyses were total and appendicular fat free mass (FFM, in kg), and total and appendicular fat mass (FM, in kg),

where appendicular FFM (or FM) was calculated as the sum of FFM (or FM) from both arms and both legs. Basal metabolic rate (BMR) was assessed with indirect calorimetry (Deltatrac II monitor, Datex Instrumentarium Corp., Helsinki, Finland) enabling the evaluation of underreporting of dietary intake [23].

Dietary data and nutrient intakes

At baseline, T3 and T12, patients completed three consecutive web-based 24h dietary records as described elsewhere [24], including two weekdays and one day on the weekend whenever possible. All foods and beverages consumed at breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks were recorded. Validated photographs enabled patients to estimate portion size for each reported food and beverage item [25]. Patients were also asked to indicate multivitamin and mineral supplements use, specifying the product name and amount, following the nutritional deficiency prevention treatment prescribed for every patient at our center, as described in [26]. This includes supplementation during two weeks before surgery of vitamin D (once 4×100,000 IU), thiamin (250 mg/day), and vitamin B-12 (250µg/day). Fifteen days post-GBP and SG, multivitamin and mineral supplements including Azinc “Forme et vitalité”® (two capsules per day, containing 800 µg vitamin A, 1.4mg thiamin, 200 µg folate, 1µg vitamin B-12, 120 mg vitamin C, 200 IU vitamin D, 8 mg iron and 15 mg zinc), iron (2×80 mg/ day), vitamin D (800 IU/day), and calcium (1,000mg/day) were started and continued for the first year in both BS procedures. Intake of nutrients derived from food were calculated using an updated version of the French database CIQUAL 2008 [27] which included more than 3,400 different food items. Nutrient intakes from multivitamin and mineral supplements were calculated using nutrient profile based on the product name. Ingested foods were categorized into 4 main food groups when possible: (i) fruit and vegetables, (ii) starchy foods, (iii) dairy products, and (iv) meat and fish. The food groups were defined according to the French

National Nutrition and Health Program [28] and expressed in servings per day based on standard serving sizes [29].

Nutrient adequacy of the diet

Nutrient intake adequacy for each patient was calculated using the PANDiet index [30]. Briefly, probability of adequacy for each nutrient was calculated, ranging from 0 to 1, where 1 represents a 100% probability that the usual intake is adequate (i.e. it satisfies the requirement or is not excessive compared to a reference value). According to this definition, the probabilities of adequacy were computed to obtain the Adequacy sub-score (the higher, the better the intake satisfies the nutrient requirements) and the Moderation sub-score (the higher, the less likely the intake is excessive). The PANDiet score is taken as the mean of the Adequacy and Moderation sub-scores, and ranges from 0 to 100; the higher the score, the better the nutrient adequacy of the diet. As reference values, we used French nutritional recommendations for healthy adults or European Union values when specific recommendations were lacking.

Biochemical analyses

Blood samples were collected after an overnight fast to measure biochemical parameters using routine techniques as described [31]. Blood count and iron metabolism markers (i.e. ferritin, iron, transferrin, and saturation coefficient) were assessed using routine care method (nephelometry (reviewer #1, comment #9), ferrozine colorimetry and immunoturbidimetry respectively). Prealbumin was assessed by immunoturbidimetry. Serum concentrations of 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 and parathyroid hormone (PTH) were measured by chemiluminescent assay (310600 Liaison XL Diasorin and 11972103 Modular E 170 Roche, respectively), vitamin B-12 and folate were assessed using immunoanalysis ECL sandwich,

and thiamin and vitamin B-6 were assessed using HPLC [6]. Vitamin and mineral deficiencies were defined as a result below the lower normal value given by the manufacturer [32]. Secondary hyperparathyroidism was defined as an elevated PTH, above the high normal laboratory value. All measurements were conducted at baseline, T3, T6 and T12 (except for 25(OH)-vitamin-D3, PTH, thiamin, folate and vitamin B-12 at T3, and PTH at T6).

Statistical analyses

Continuous variables are presented as median and interquartile range (IQR) and frequencies as percentages (reviewer #2, comment #2). Mann-Whitney and paired Wilcoxon rank-sum tests were, respectively, used to compare continuous variables between surgical groups and time-points. Chi-squared and McNemar tests were used to compare frequencies between surgical groups and time-points, respectively. An overall α level of 5% was used for statistical tests following Holm-Bonferroni correction. These analyses were conducted on both the patients who completed T3 and T6, and on the patients who completed T3, T6 and T12 (reviewer #1, comment #1). Since no significant difference was observed between two groups of patients both at baseline, and during the follow-up at T3 and T6, outcomes are merged when presented on tables and figures. All analyses were performed using Statistical Analysis Systems statistical software package version 9.3 (SAS Institute, Cary, NC, SA) (reviewer #2, comment #3).

RESULTS

Clinical characteristics

Fifty-two patients were included in this study (22 GBP and 30 SG). All of them completed the first six months follow-up of this study (T3 and T6), and 33 completed the one year follow-up (T3, T6 and T12; 14 GBP and 19 SG) (reviewer #1, comment #1).

150 Importantly, the two groups were similar at baseline regarding sex, age, corpulence and body
151 composition (Table 1). Likewise, the severity of obesity related-comorbidities was similar in
152 the two groups, except for glucose intolerance, which was significantly more prevalent in the
153 GBP group (Table 1).

154 As expected, BS induced significant weight loss in both surgical techniques, however
155 GBP led to a significantly greater weight loss at T6 and T12 compared to SG (Table 1). More
156 specifically, the total and appendicular FFM (in kg) significantly decreased at T3 and then
157 stabilized at T6 and T12 in the two groups, while the total and appendicular FM (in kg)
158 significantly decreased along the one year follow-up in the GBP group whereas it
159 significantly decreased until T6 and then stabilized from T6 to T12 in the SG group (Figure
160 1). As a result, body composition significantly improved as demonstrated by changes in the
161 percentage of FFM and FM (Table 1). GBP induced a significant improvement of obesity-
162 related comorbidities (except for high blood pressure (HBP)), whereas SG only led to a
163 significant improvement of dyslipidemia at T6 and T12 (Table 1).

165 **Food and macronutrient intakes**

166 At baseline, no difference was observed for energy, food or macronutrient intakes
167 between the two groups (Table 2). The BMR values revealed that patients from both groups
168 underreported their caloric intake by 8%.

169 After both GBP and SG, energy intake drastically decreased at T3 and slightly
170 increased at T12, although not reaching baseline intake levels (significant at all time points,
171 Table 2). These changes in energy intake were explained by a significant decrease in food
172 intake at T3 in the two surgical groups (non-significant for dairy products) and a tendency for
173 a modest increase in food intake at T12 (significant for starchy foods in the SG group, Table
174 2). Total protein intake drastically and significantly decreased at T3 in both groups, and a

majority of patients reported protein intake below the recommended value of 60 g/day (85.7% after GBP and 79% after SG, Table 2). Afterwards, total protein intake slightly but significantly increased at T12, although it remained below the baseline levels (Table 2). Furthermore, 61% of the patients reported low dietary protein intake (64% and 58% respectively for GBP and SG groups, Table 2) at T12. No significant changes in macronutrient distribution (total fat, SFA, PUFA and total carbohydrates) were observed during the follow-up in the two groups (T3 and T12, Table 2). Energy, food and macronutrient intakes were not different between the two groups during the follow-up (T3 and T12, Table 2).

Nutrient adequacy of the diet

At baseline, neither the PANDiet scores nor the probabilities of nutrient adequacy differed between the two groups (Table 3). Low probabilities of adequacy for protein were observed in both groups compared to the French adult population [30].

After both BS, the percentage of patients taking the prescribed systematic multivitamin and mineral supplements significantly increased, from baseline to T3: 14% versus 77% for GBP and 10% vs. 76.7% for SG, as expected from the recommendations (Table 3). This high adherence was maintained at T12 with 86% and 68% respectively for GBP and SG (Table 3). Due to the supplementation, the global nutrient adequacy of the diet did not drop and rather stabilized along the follow-up (PANDiet score and Adequacy sub-score were not significantly different at all time points) and the probability of adequacy for vitamin D was improved (Table 3). Of note, when the global nutrient adequacy of the diet was calculated without taking into account the prescribed supplementation, we found that it drastically decreased at T3 and barely increased at T12 (Supplemental Table 1). However, since the prescribed supplementation neither contains protein, fiber nor phosphorus, lower

probabilities of adequacy for these nutrients were observed in both groups at T3 compared to baseline (Table 3). Furthermore, although the probabilities of adequacy for these four nutrients significantly increased at T12 in both groups compared to T3 due to the slight increase in food intake, they remained below the baseline values (except for protein in the GBP group, Table 3).

Nutritional deficiencies

At baseline, none of the metabolic and nutritional parameters were different between the two groups (Table 4). As expected in severe obesity, 100% and 83% of the patients from the GBP and SG groups, respectively, presented 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 deficiency as seen by serum concentrations below 30 ng/ml (Table 4) with subsequent secondary hyperparathyroidism in 50% of the subjects, showing major deficiency in this population.

After both BS, prealbumin concentration drastically and significantly decreased at T3 and further stabilized at T6 and T12 (Table 4). At T12, 38% of GBP patients and 52% of SG patients presented mild protein depletion as shown by prealbumin concentration below the normal range of 0.2 g/l and 21% of GBP patients and 16% of SG patients presented risk of mild protein malnutrition as shown by albumin concentration below the normal value of 37 g/l (Table 4). Of note, two patients in the GBP group and one patient in the SG group presented both mild protein depletion and risk of mild protein malnutrition (reviewer #1, comments #5,6&7). After both BS, vitamin D supplementation enabled a significant increase in 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 serum concentrations at T6, which stabilized at T12 (Table 4). However, 50% and 21% of GBP and SG patients, respectively, still displayed secondary hyperparathyroidism at T12 (Table 4). Since all patients were prescribed multivitamin and mineral supplementation, we verified whether this supplementation might induce serum concentrations of selected vitamins and minerals above the normal range at T12. In fact, there

were only a few such cases in the overall cohort: one with elevated serum thiamin (700 nmol/l) and one with high serum ferritin (740 µg/l) in the SG group, and one with elevated vitamin B12 (580 pmol/l) in the GBP group. Importantly, all such elevations remained below toxic levels.

DISCUSSION

To the best of our knowledge, this is the first study to assess the relationship between food intake, nutrient adequacy of the diet and nutritional biological parameters systematically measured before, three and twelve months after GBP and SG. In this study where the patients had similar clinical characteristics at baseline (except for T2D prevalence), our main findings are: (i) protein intake significantly decreases after both GBP and SG, inducing mild protein depletion in more than a third of the patients one year after both surgical techniques (reviewer #1, comments #5,6&7); (ii) even though patients after GBP experienced greater weight loss than after SG, both types of surgery induced similar food restriction effects on the nutritional adequacy of the diet and, (iii) systematic multivitamin and mineral supplementation after SG seems to prevent these nutritional deficiencies, the same way as in GBP in the first year.

After one year, we observed that GBP led to significantly greater weight loss compared to SG, in accordance with previous data from the literature, including a large multicenter study [33,34]. Nevertheless, some controversy remains. Indeed other reports show that changes in body weight were similar one year after both GBP and SG [15,19,35], although these were smaller cohorts. We evaluated the evolution of body composition and observed that, in both surgeries, total FFM decreased until three months and then stabilized, whereas total FM displayed a continuous decrease during the follow-up. Our results are consistent with previous reports showing changes in body composition following GBP [22] or SG [36] as measured by DXA. Our results are also concordant with the only study comparing

these outcomes after both sleeve and by-pass [19]. In that study, the continuous weight loss during one year was due to the decrease of total FM, the total FFM being spared after four months [19]. More importantly, we observed that appendicular FFM decreased until three months and then stabilized, whereas appendicular FM continued to decrease throughout the follow-up period in both models. Appendicular FFM represents a better surrogate of muscle mass than total FFM [37], and this is the first time that this outcome and its evolution have been studied after SG. Interestingly, the change in appendicular FFM was similar in the two surgical procedures.

After both BS, we observed that 61% of the patients reported daily protein consumption under the recommended value of 60 g/day at T12 (64% for GBP and 58% for SG). Our results are consistent with those of Andreu *et al.* and Moizé *et al.* who found that respectively 37% and 46% of patients had a daily protein intake below 60 g/day one year after BS [19,38]. In accordance with those findings, we did not find any difference between GBP and SG [38]. We report a prevalence of insufficient protein intake that is nearly 2-fold higher than that reported by Moizé *et al.* (61% versus 37%), which is mostly attributable to the systematic protein supplementation prescribed by these authors to all of their patients [38]. One objective of recommending a minimal protein intake of 60 g/day after both GBP and SG is to mitigate post-surgical FFM loss in the first months [17]. Indeed, Moizé *et al.* demonstrated that patients with insufficient protein intake during the follow-up lost more FFM in both SG and GBP than patients with sufficient protein intake [19]. Because skeletal muscle is the primary site of insulin-stimulated glucose disposal during euglycemia [39], loss of FFM might contribute to the development of insulin resistance and should be avoided in order to maintain the beneficial metabolic outcomes. An important goal of future long-term follow-up studies will be to determine whether insufficient protein intake following BS might

result in loss of muscular strength. Furthermore, longer-term weight stabilization (and regain) should also be assessed in link with the quantity of protein intake.

After both BS, we also observed that prealbumin concentration significantly decreased, resulting in more than a third of patients exhibiting mild protein depletion (reviewer #1, comments #5,6&7). Our results are in line with the few studies that reported changes in prealbumin concentration after GBP or SG. All studies found lower values at T12 after GBP compared to baseline [15,40,41]. Results with SG are more heterogeneous, with reports showing both lower [42] or no change in prealbumin concentrations [15,41]. Of note, Moizé *et al.* reported that 14% of GBP and 16% of SG patients experienced abnormalities in prealbumin concentrations at T12 after BS [14]. As mentioned above, this difference may be due to the systematic prescription of protein supplement in the Hospital Clinic of Barcelona [19,38]. Adequate protein intake after BS is of utmost importance to prevent the patients from experiencing hair loss, poor wound healing and adverse effects such as infections after skin repair surgery and ultimately – but rarely – protein-calorie malnutrition [43,44] (reviewer #1, comments #5,6&7).

Although SG merely restricts the volume of the stomach without intestinal malabsorption [5], it also leads to an accelerated gastric emptying (reviewer #2, comment #4). Subsequently faster gastrointestinal passage might promote nutrient deficiencies [45], as observed in a recent study with increased faecal excretion of fatty acids [46], resulting in a state of moderate malabsorption. Furthermore, SG decreases gastric intrinsic factor and gastric acid production, two factors involved in vitamin B-12 and iron absorption. Because most of our patients took the prescribed daily multivitamin and mineral supplements one year after both GBP and SG, few patients experienced nutritional abnormalities (except for 25(OH)-vitamin-D3) and there was no difference between the two surgical groups. Our results were consistent with previous data from the literature [14,15]. Conversely, others

reported a higher risk of vitamin B-12 and 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 deficiencies after GBP compared to SG [12]. It should be noted that in these three studies, patients undergoing GBP or SG were instructed to take multivitamin and mineral supplements on a daily basis after BS. Another point to take into account, is the risk of developing undesirably high levels of micronutrient concentrations due to the systematic supplementation as was previously reported after SG [7,8,11]. Herein, we only identified one patient with serum thiamin and another with serum ferritin above normal range. Nevertheless, it should be noted that the risk of excessive levels in those studies were mostly observed for vitamin A and B-6, which we did not assess. Altogether, these data highlight the importance to prescribe daily multivitamin and mineral supplements after both GBP and SG at least in the first year, but also to monitor the adherence of the patients to their supplementation.

At baseline, the higher prevalence of glucose intolerance in patients undergoing GBP reflects the process of selection for different BS techniques, where GBP is the first choice for patients with T2D or glucose intolerance since it demonstrated its superiority over SG to improve glycemic status post-surgery [35]. We also observed that neither GBP nor SG enabled a significant improvement of HBP in terms of overall prevalence. Nevertheless, both the number of patients treated and the number of treatments per patients tended to decrease after both surgeries, suggesting slight improvement of HBP in this cohort of obese patients with many comorbidities. Nevertheless our data are in accordance with previous studies, which indicated that HBP may not be the best resolved comorbidity after surgery [47,48] (reviewer #1, comment #4).

One of the main strengths of our study is the use of a validated web-based method of dietary assessment which allowed us to provide detailed quantification of the food and nutrient intake for each patient [24]. This method allows us to assess the use of multivitamin and mineral supplements and measure adherence of the patients to the supplementation.

Although the interventions were not randomized in our study, our participants had comparable clinical characteristics at baseline (except for T2D) and were provided the same systematic supplementation regardless of the surgical procedure. The main limitation concerns the relative small number of patients, especially in the group who completed the one year follow-up (reviewer #1, comment #1). This may have prevented us from detecting changes between FFM loss and low protein intake after both procedures. Future studies with longer follow-up periods and larger sample size are needed to determine how poor dietary habits and nutritional deficiencies correlate with weight maintenance at longer term and with the improvement or resolution of obesity related co-morbidities. We intend to follow this cohort in the second year of their surgery to assess their evolution in terms of nutritional risks and body composition (reviewer #2, comment #7).

In conclusion, we observed similar food restriction effects on the nutritional adequacy of the diet in the first year post GBP and SG surgery. We also observed comparable consequences in terms of bioclinical evolution and micronutrient serum concentrations. Altogether, our results advocate for a cautious monitoring of protein intake and a systematic multivitamin and mineral supplementation after both GPB and SG – at least in the first year for SG.

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TABLES

TABLE 1. Anthropometric parameters and clinical characteristics according the surgical models at baseline, 3 months, 6 months and 12 months¹.

	GBP				SG			
	Baseline n=22	3 months n=22	6 months n=22	12 months n=14	Baseline n=30	3 months n=30	6 months n=30	12 months n=19
Age, years	43.5 (38.0-51.0)	/	/	/	41.0 (36.0-49.0)	/	/	/
Sex (% female)	68.2	/	/	/	66.7	/	/	/
Anthropometric parameters								
Weight, kg	127 (113-139) ^d	101 (94-115) ^c	89 (83-106) ^b	83 (79-92) ^a	117 (108-137) ^d	98 (90-116) ^c	94 (81-111) ^b	103 (84-109) ^a
BMI, kg/m ²	45.5 (41.6-49.1) ^d	37.0 (33.6-42.0) ^c	33.5 (31.3-37.2) ^b	30.6 (27.8-33.6) ^a	43.2 (39.0-47.7) ^d	35.5 (32.8-41.7) ^c	35.6 (29.9-40.9) ^b	38.5 (29.2-41.1) ^a
Weight loss, kg	0.0 (0.0-0.0) ^a	23.2 (19.8-27.2) ^b	32.4 (28.0-38.4) ^c	38.8 (29.0-48.6) ^d	0.0 (0.0-0.0) ^a	18.3 (15.4-22.9) ^b	23.9 (18.7-29.9) ^{*c}	27.2 (25.6-33.0) ^{*d}
Fat free mass (%)	51.8 ^a	53.9 ^b	57.7 ^c	59.9 ^d	50.9 ^a	53.1 ^b	56.3 ^c	54.9 ^c
Fat mass (%)	45.8 ^d	43.2 ^c	39.4 ^b	36.9 ^a	46.6 ^c	44.0 ^b	40.7 ^a	42.2 ^a
Obesity related-diseases								
Type-2 diabetes, N (%)	12 (54) ^b	4 (18) ^a	4 (18) ^a	3 (21) ^a	10 (33)	7 (23)	7 (23)	3 (16)
Glucose intolerance, N (%)	16 (73) ^b	4 (18) ^a	4 (18) ^a	3 (21) ^a	10 (33) [*]	7 (23)	7 (23)	3 (16)
OSA, N (%)	14 (64) ^b	13 (59) ^b	10 (45) ^b	3 (21) ^a	15 (50)	14 (48)	8 (27)	7 (37)
Dyslipidemia, N (%)	20 (91) ^b	18 (81) ^b	17 (77) ^b	5 (36) ^a	26 (87) ^b	21 (72) ^b	13 (43) ^a	6 (32) ^a
HBP, N (%)	12 (54)	11 (50)	8 (36)	5 (36)	9 (30)	9 (30)	9 (30)	7 (37)
Treatment for HBP, N (mean number of treatment) (reviewer #1, comment #4)	12 (2.1)	/	7 (1.6)	5 (1.6)	9 (2.8)	/	9 (1.9)	6 (2.0)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test. *Represents significant differences between GBP and SG. *Glucose intolerance is defined as either fasting hyperglycemia (1g/l ≤G< 1.26g/l) or 6%≤HbA1c<6.5%); dyslipidemia is defined as a patient with treatment (statin or fibrate) or hypertriglyceridemia ≥1.5g/l or hypoHDL<0.5g/l for women and hypoHDL<0.4g/l for men; High blood pressure*

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(HBP) is defined as a systolic blood pressure >140 mmHg and/or a diastolic blood pressure > 90mmHg or patients with an anti-hypertensive treatment; obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) is defined as an Index Apnea Hypopnea >5/hour with or without treatment.)

TABLE 2. Energy, food and macronutrient intakes according to the surgical models at baseline, 3 months and 12 months¹.

	GBP			SG		
	Baseline n=22	3 months n=22	12 months n=14	Baseline n=30	3 months n=30	12 months n=19
Energy and food intakes						
Energy intake, <i>kcal/d</i>	2005 (1539-2266) ^c	711 (615-1006) ^a	1226 (8133-1559) ^b	1658 (1445-2395) ^c	833 (539-1108) ^a	1078 (793-1354) ^b
BMR, <i>kcal/d</i>	2179 (2005-2409) ^c	1770 (1702-2072) ^b	1653 (1480-1791) ^a	1959 (1853-2218) ^c	1742 (1593-1894) ^b	1686 (1565-1963) ^a
Fruit and vegetables, <i>serving/d</i>	4.8 (3.2-7.0) ^b	2.2 (0.8-3.2) ^a	2.1 (1.5-3.9) ^{ab}	3.0 (1.6-4.3) ^b	1.5 (0.8-2.1) ^a	1.4 (1.0-2.6) ^{ab}
Starchy foods, <i>serving/d</i>	2.8 (2.1-3.7) ^b	0.7 (0.3-1.2) ^a	1.1 (0.8-1.6) ^a	2.6 (2.1-3.3) ^c	0.7 (0.3-1.1) ^a	1.2 (0.7-1.7) ^b
Dairy products, <i>serving/d</i>	2.1 (1.3-3.1)	1.7 (0.5-2.6)	2.1 (0.8-2.5)	1.6 (1.0-2.4)	1.4 (0.6-1.9)	1.2 (0.7-1.7)
Meat and fish, <i>serving/d</i>	1.4 (1.0-2.6) ^b	0.8 (0.6-1.1) ^a	0.7 (0.4-1.6) ^{ab}	1.6 (1.1-2.5) ^b	0.9 (0.6-1.4) ^a	1.0 (0.7-1.8) ^{ab}
Macronutrient intakes						
Protein, <i>g/d</i>	83.5 (70.6-105.6) ^c	41.7 (24.0-49.0) ^a	50.4 (36.9-65.2) ^b	78.3 (64.0-107.2) ^c	41.2 (26.8-52.6) ^a	51.8 (36.4-65.3) ^b
N (%) < 60g/d	2 (9) ^a	19 (86) ^b	9 (64) ^b	4 (13) ^a	26 (87) ^b	11 (58) ^b
Protein, <i>g/kg/d</i>	0.66 (0.57-0.73) ^b	0.38 (0.24-0.46) ^a	0.59 (0.48-0.715) ^b	0.65 (0.57-0.80) ^c	0.39 (0.29-0.50) ^a	0.46 (0.39-0.74) ^b
Total Lipid, % <i>EI/d</i>	32.0 (30.0-40.6)	36.8 (32.4-39.3)	38.8 (33.6-45.6)	37.4 (33.2-39.9)	41.6 (35.8-44.7)	39.5 (37.1-44.5)
SFA, % <i>EI/d</i>	14.7 (11.3-16.4)	15.5 (13.1-16.6)	17.4 (13.7-20.9)	15.6 (14.5-18.7)	17.4 (15.3-19.6)	15.8 (13.7-19.4)
PUFA, % <i>EI/d</i>	4.8 (4.2-5.8)	4.3 (3.2-6.4)	3.5 (3.0-5.5)	5.0 (4.0-5.9)	5.0 (3.3-6.4)	5.6 (4.3-8.0)
Total Carbohydrate, % <i>EI/d</i>	47.8 (42.0-49.7)	44.0 (38.9-49.2)	42.2 (35.4-47.1)	44.1 (40.0-46.7)	37.4 (32.3-46.8)	42.4 (33.4-45.1)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test.

TABLE 3. Multivitamin and mineral supplementation, PANDiet scores and probabilities of nutrient adequacy according to the surgical models at baseline, 3 months and 12 months¹

	GBP			SG		
	Baseline	3 months	12 months	Baseline	3 months	12 months
	n=22	n=22	n=14	n=30	n=30	n=19
Supplementation, N (%)	3 (14) ^a	17 (77) ^b	12 (86) ^b	3 (10) ^a	23 (77) ^b	13 (68) ^b
PANDiet	67.4 (60.7-70.7)	74.7(61.5-76.3)	71.0 (65.3-75.0)	57.7 (54.0-63.1)	65.3 (57.2-71.3)	65.0 (57.4-73.0)
Moderation Sub-score	64.6 (58.6-85.6)	82.1 (75.6-85.3)	74.3 (61.8-81.2)	63.2 (51.3-73.5) ^a	70.9 (63.83-80.0) ^b	73.1 (66.7-78.1) ^b
Protein	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Carbohydrate	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (0.97-1.00)	1.00 (0.98-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Fat	0.99 (0.95-1.00)	0.81 (0.58-0.93)	0.59 (0.05-0.95)	0.84 (0.52-0.96)	0.42 (0.02-0.84)	0.57 (0.05-0.89)
SFA	0.19 (0.04-0.61)	0.12 (0.02-0.35)	0.02 (0.00-0.29)	0.05 (0.00-0.30)	0.02 (0.00-0.15)	0.10 (0.00-0.28)
Cholesterol	0.66 (0.36-0.99) ^a	0.99 (0.94-1.00) ^b	0.95 (0.51-0.99) ^{ab}	0.41 (0.15-0.79) ^a	0.98 (0.65-1.00) ^b	1.00 (0.65-1.00) ^b
Sodium	0.43 (0.18-0.77) ^a	1.00 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.97 (0.71-1.00) ^b	0.51 (0.01-0.78) ^a	1.00 (0.97-1.00) ^b	0.99 (0.70-1.00) ^b
Adequacy Sub-score	63.7 (53.3-76.6)	69.4 (62.7-70.7)	73.2 (66.3-75.6)	51.6 (39.3-69.0)	63.1 (42.1-72.1)	63.2 (38.1-74.3)
Protein	0.51 (0.18-0.78) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.03) ^a	0.30 (0.05-0.71) ^b	0.47 (0.17-0.81) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.08) ^a	0.05 (0.00-0.68) ^b
Total Carbohydrate	0.86 (0.20-0.98)	0.43 (0.04-0.82)	0.20 (0.01-0.62)	0.44 (0.03-0.68)	0.09 (0.00-0.75)	0.24 (0.00-0.52)
Total Fat	0.69 (0.50-1.00)	0.93 (0.70-0.99)	1.00 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.82-1.00)	0.99 (0.84-1.00)	1.00 (0.93-1.00)
PUFA	0.44 (0.25-0.80)	0.35 (0.07-0.73)	0.14 (0.02-0.60)	0.49 (0.21-0.76)	0.49 (0.07-0.83)	0.66 (0.24-0.91)
Fibre	0.19 (0.02-0.54) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.06) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b
Vitamin A	0.78 (0.35-0.94)	1.00 (0.74-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.67 (0.44-0.96)	0.99 (0.53-1.00)	0.67 (0.01-1.00)
Thiamin	0.85 (0.48-0.98)	1.00 (0.90-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.61 (0.34-0.81)	1.00 (0.40-1.00)	0.97 (0.05-1.00)
Riboflavin	0.96 (0.81-0.98)	1.00 (0.91-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.83 (0.57-0.93)	1.00 (0.65-1.00)	0.97 (0.41-1.00)
Niacin	0.99 (0.76-1.00)	1.00 (0.99-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.93 (0.85-0.99)	1.00 (0.89-1.00)	1.00 (0.65-1.00)
Vitamin B-6	0.81 (0.54-0.99)	1.00 (0.77-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.44 (0.11-0.96)	1.00 (0.17-1.00)	0.98 (0.04-1.00)
Folate	0.85 (0.32-0.97)	0.94 (0.58-1.00)	0.98 (0.94-1.00)	0.56 (0.30-0.81)	0.86 (0.42-0.99)	0.86 (0.02-1.00)
Vitamin B-12	0.88 (0.75-0.98)	0.81 (0.42-0.96)	0.94 (0.84-1.00)	0.87 (0.76-0.97)	0.91 (0.77-0.99)	0.83 (0.66-1.00)

Vitamin C	0.75 (0.25-0.95)	1.00 (0.64-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.26 (0.00-0.82) ^a	1.00 (0.56-1.00) ^b	0.94 (0.06-1.00) ^{ab}
Vitamin D	0.01 (0.00-0.20) ^a	0.99 (0.50-1.00) ^b	1.00 (0.97-1.00) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.58) ^a	0.96 (0.17-1.00) ^b	0.71 (0.31-0.99) ^b
Vitamin E	0.34 (0.11-0.94)	0.97 (0.46-1.00)	1.00 (0.95-1.00)	0.18 (0.02-0.44)	0.95 (0.03-0.99)	0.71 (0.17-1.00)
Calcium	0.87 (0.70-0.97)	1.00 (0.93-1.00)	1.00 (0.98-1.00)	0.82 (0.43-0.97)	0.85 (0.02-1.00)	0.44 (0.04-1.00)
Magnesium	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)
Zinc	0.75 (0.37-0.94)	1.00 (0.86-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.58 (0.27-0.86)	1.00 (0.15-1.00)	0.94 (0.13-1.00)
Phosphorus	1.00 (1.00-1.00) ^c	0.59 (0.03-0.96) ^a	0.90 (0.78-0.99) ^b	0.99 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.60 (0.04-0.87) ^a	0.86 (0.14-1.00) ^b
Potassium	0.69 (0.45-0.93) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.29) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.15) ^a	0.39 (0.14-0.89) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.02) ^a	0.03 (0.00-0.12) ^b
Iron	0.93 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.96-1.00)	0.93 (0.55-1.00)	1.00 (0.45-1.00)	0.85 (0.15-1.00)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test.

TABLE 4. Metabolic and nutritional parameters according the surgical models at baseline, 3 months, 6 months and 12 months¹

	GBP				SG			
	Baseline	3 months	6 months	12 months	Baseline	3 months	6 months	12 months
	n=22	n=22	n=22	n=14	n=30	n=30	n=30	n=19
Hemoglobin (g/dl)	13.9 (13.0-14.7)	13.9 (13.4-14.7)	13.8 (13.5-14.1)	13.7 (13.3-14.1)	13.7 (13.2-14.5)	13.7 (12.9-14.4)	13.6 (13.1-14.1)	13.4 (13.0-14.1)
<12 g/dl N(%)	2 (9)	0 (0)	1 (5)	1 (7)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)	1 (5)
Ferritin (µg/l)	115 (62-201)	86 (69-188)	96 (65-199)	100 (58-166)	121 (39-230)	154 (92-266)	144 (92-234)	144 (82-176)
<30 µg/l N(%)	3 (14)	0 (0)	1 (5)	1 (7)	3 (10)	1 (3)	1 (3)	1 (5)
Iron (µmol/l)	14.0 (10.0-16.0)	13.0 (12.0-17.0)	15.0 (13.0-18.0)	15.0 (12.0-18.0)	15.0 (12.0-22.0)	16.0 (14.0-19.0)	17.0 (13.0-19.0)	16.5 (13.0-19.0)
<9 µmol/l N (%)	4 (18)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (7)	2 (7)	0 (0)	1 (5)
Transferrin (g/l)	3.1 (2.7-3.1)	2.3 (2.2-2.8)	2.4 (2.1-2.8)	2.5 (2.0-2.8)	2.7 (2.5-2.9)	2.4 (2.2-2.7)	2.5 (2.3-2.7)	2.6 (2.3-2.7)
>3.1 g/l N(%)	3 (14)	2 (9)	2 (9)	1 (7)	3 (10)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)
Total iron binding capacity (µmol/l)	67.5 (61.0-76.0)	58.0 (55.0-71.0)	59.0 (53.0-69.0)	62.0 (51.0-70.0)	66.5 (61.0-72.0)	61.0 (56.0-67.0)	62.0 (58.0-67.0)	64.0 (57.0-67.0)
>80 µmol/l N(%)	1 (5)	2 (9)	1 (5)	1 (7)	2 (7)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)
Transferrin saturation coefficient (%)	0.21 (0.16-0.26)	0.22 (0.17-0.24)	0.25 (0.19-0.32)	0.24 (0.19-0.33)	0.25 (0.18-0.33)	0.29 (0.23-0.33)	0.28 (0.20-0.32)	0.25 (0.23-0.29)
<0.15% N(%)	5 (23)	3 (14)	1 (5)	3 (21)	2 (7)	1 (3)	1 (3)	1 (5)
Albumin (g/l)	35.5 (33.0-37.0) ^a	39.0 (36.0-41.0) ^b	38.0 (36.0-41.0) ^b	39.0 (37.0-40.0) ^b	37.0 (35.0-39.0) ^a	40.0 (37.0-42.0) ^b	40.0 (38.0-42.0) ^b	41.0 (38.0-42.0) ^b
<37 g/l N(%)	13 (59)	7 (32)	6 (27)	3 (21)	14 (47)	6 (20)	2 (7)	3 (16)
Prealbumin (g/l)	0.25 (0.19-0.30) ^b	0.20 (0.16-0.21) ^a	0.20 (0.19-0.22) ^a	0.20 (0.18-0.0.25) ^{ab}	0.23 (0.21-0.25) ^b	0.18 (0.17-0.21) ^a	0.19 (0.18-0.21) ^a	0.19 (0.18-0.22) ^a
<0.2 g/L N(%)	6 (27)	8 (37)	10 (45)	5 (38)	5 (17) ^a	17 (57) ^b	15 (50) ^b	10 (52) ^b
Calcium (mmol/l)	2.29 (2.24-2.37)	2.39 (2.33-2.43)	2.37 (2.28-2.39)	2.31 (2.26-2.39)	2.31 (2.24-2.38)	2.37 (2.31-2.44)	2.31 (2.28-2.38)	2.33 (2.31-2.38)
25(OH)-vitamin-D3 (ng/ml)	13.0 (10.0-23.0) ^a	/	29.5 (26.5-32.0) ^b	27.0 (22.0-29.0) ^b	17.0 (11.0-23.0) ^a	/	26.9 (22.5-30.5) ^b	25.0 (20.0-30.0) ^b
<30 ng/ml N(%)	19 (86)	/	10 (45)	10 (71)	25 (83)	/	18 (60)	13 (68)
Parathyroid hormone (pg/ml)	48.3 (41.5-58.9)	/	/	44.1 (35.1-47.1)	46.8 (36.4-54.0)	/	/	39.5 (32.3-43.3)
>45 pg/ml N(%)	13 (59)	/	/	6 (43)	15 (50)	/	/	4 (21)
Thiamin (nmol/l)	157 (150-174)	/	193 (155-193)	197 (174-215)	147 (134-175)	/	177 (158-191)	181 (149-218)
<126 nmol/l N(%)	2 (9)	/	1 (5)	0 (0)	5 (17)	/	1 (3)	0 (0)

Erythrocyte folate (nmol/l)	1287 (1023-1429) /	1760 (1457-1961)	1940 (1421-2169)	1234 (1036-1377) ^a /	1411 (1246-1806) ^b	1540 (1366-1804) ^b
<945 nmol/l N(%)	4 (18) /	2 (9)	0 (0)	5 (17) /	0 (0)	0 (0)
Serum folate (nmol/l)	16.8 (12.9-24.0) /	26.9 (22.8-33.4)	27.9 (22.8-41.0)	17.7 (14.7-20.5) ^a /	22.8 (18.4-28.4) ^b	20.2 (15.6-26.4) ^b
Vitamin B-12 (pmol/l)	284 (209-334) /	252 (227-345)	221 (195-278)	293 (248-358) /	311 (224-464)	311 (216-432)
<140 pmol/l N(%)	1 (5) /	1 (5)	0 (0)	1 (3) /	0 (0)	0 (0)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test. *Normal ranges are as follows: hemoglobin [12-17] g/dl; ferritin [30-300] µg/l; iron [9-27] µmol/l; transferrin [1.7-3.1] g/l; total iron binding capacity [40-80] µmol/l; transferrin saturation coefficient [0.15-0.35] %; albumin [37-50] g/l; prealbumin [0.2-0.35] g/l; calcium [2.1-2.65] mmol/l; 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 [30-100] ng/ml; thiamin [126-250] nmol/l; serum folate [7-39.5] nmol/l, vitamin B-12 [140-490] pmol/l.*

FIGURE LEGENDS

FIGURE 1. Changes in body composition in the GBP and SG groups at baseline (T0) and along the follow-up (T3, T6 and T12).

Results are expressed as means \pm SDs. Evolution of body composition during follow-up. Gastric sleeve in grey and GBP in black; top left panel fat free mass; top right panel total fat mass, low left panel appendicular fat free mass (i.e. arms + legs), low right panel appendicular fat mass. Labeled means without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction. No significant difference between GBP and SG was observed.

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

SUPPLEMENTAL TABLE 1. PANDiet scores and probabilities of nutrient adequacy according to the surgical models at baseline, 3 months and 12 months (calculated from foods only)¹

	GBP			SG		
	Baseline n=22	3 months n=22	12 months n=14	Baseline n=30	3 months n=30	12 months n=19
PANDiet	66.0 (60.7-70.5) ^b	51.6 (47.8-53.7) ^a	52.1 (46.1-57.6) ^a	57.7 (54.0-62.1) ^b	47.6 (40.9-53.0) ^a	52.9 (46.7-60.6) ^b
Moderation Sub-score	64.6 (58.6-85.6)	82.1 (75.6-85.3)	74.3 (61.8-81.2)	63.2 (51.3-73.5) ^a	70.9 (63.8-80.0) ^b	73.1 (66.7-78.1) ^b
Protein	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Carbohydrate	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (0.97-1.00)	1.00 (0.98-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Fat	0.99 (0.93-1.00)	0.81 (0.58-0.93)	0.59 (0.05-0.95)	0.84 (0.52-0.96)	0.42 (0.02-0.84)	0.57 (0.05-0.89)
SFA	0.19 (0.04-0.61)	0.12 (0.02-0.35)	0.02 (0.00-0.29)	0.05 (0.00-0.30)	0.02 (0.00-0.15)	0.10 (0.00-0.28)
Cholesterol	0.66 (0.36-0.99) ^a	0.99 (0.94-1.00) ^b	0.95 (0.51-0.99) ^{ab}	0.41 (0.15-0.79) ^a	0.98 (0.65-1.00) ^b	1.00 (0.65-1.00) ^b
Sodium	0.43 (0.18-0.77) ^a	1.00 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.97 (0.71-1.00) ^b	0.51 (0.01-0.78) ^a	1.00 (0.97-1.00) ^b	0.99 (0.70-1.00) ^b
Adequacy Sub-score	60.8 (53.0-72.0) ^b	22.1 (14.9-34.5) ^a	30.3 (22.8-42.8) ^a	51.6 (38.4-69.0) ^c	20.6 (11.9-35.2) ^a	27.0 (16.8-44.4) ^b
Protein	0.51 (0.18-0.78) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.03) ^a	0.30 (0.05-0.71) ^b	0.47 (0.17-0.81) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.08) ^a	0.05 (0.00-0.68) ^b
Total Carbohydrate	0.86 (0.20-0.98)	0.43 (0.04-0.82)	0.20 (0.01-0.62)	0.44 (0.03-0.68)	0.09 (0.00-0.75)	0.24 (0.00-0.52)
Total Fat	0.69 (0.50-1.00)	0.93 (0.70-0.99)	1.00 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.82-1.00)	0.99 (0.84-1.00)	1.00 (0.93-1.00)
PUFA	0.44 (0.25-0.80)	0.35 (0.07-0.73)	0.14 (0.02-0.60)	0.49 (0.21-0.76)	0.49 (0.07-0.83)	0.66 (0.24-0.91)
Fibre	0.19 (0.02-0.54) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.06) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b
Vitamin A	0.71 (0.30-0.91) ^b	0.12 (0.00-0.51) ^a	0.43 (0.05-0.70) ^{ab}	0.67 (0.44-0.96) ^b	0.07 (0.00-0.61) ^a	0.16 (0.00-0.59) ^a
Thiamin	0.84 (0.48-0.97) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.19) ^a	0.16 (0.01-0.42) ^a	0.56 (0.31-0.77) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.32) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.35) ^a
Riboflavin	0.89 (0.79-0.98) ^b	0.06 (0.01-0.67) ^a	0.12 (0.03-0.75) ^a	0.83 (0.57-0.93) ^b	0.21 (0.00-0.46) ^a	0.08 (0.00-0.70) ^a
Niacin	0.99 (0.76-1.00) ^b	0.09 (0.00-0.60) ^a	0.54 (0.10-0.82) ^a	0.93 (0.85-0.99) ^b	0.34 (0.00-0.84) ^a	0.68 (0.41-0.98) ^a
Vitamin B-6	0.81 (0.54-0.98) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.04) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.28) ^a	0.44 (0.11-0.96) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.10) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.08) ^a
Folate	0.83 (0.32-0.97) ^b	0.04 (0.01-0.17) ^a	0.08 (0.01-0.48) ^a	0.56 (0.30-0.81) ^b	0.03 (0.00-0.18) ^a	0.04 (0.01-0.16) ^a
Vitamin B-12	0.88 (0.75-0.98) ^b	0.31 (0.02-0.80) ^a	0.72 (0.38-0.90) ^b	0.87 (0.76-0.97) ^b	0.63 (0.12-0.83) ^a	0.73 (0.25-0.86) ^a

Vitamin C	0.63 (0.20-0.95) ^b	0.05 (0.00-0.57) ^{ab}	0.09 (0.00-0.47) ^a	0.26 (0.00-0.82) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.16) ^a	0.04 (0.00-0.21) ^{ab}
Vitamin D	0.00 (0.00-0.10) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.02) ^{ab}	0.02 (0.00-0.30)	0.00 (0.00-0.08)	0.15 (0.00-0.44)
Vitamin E	0.29 (0.08-0.89) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.03) ^b	0.18 (0.02-0.44) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.01) ^a	0.13 (0.00-0.39) ^b
Calcium	0.87 (0.07-0.97) ^b	0.28 (0.00-0.77) ^a	0.49 (0.07-0.86) ^a	0.82 (0.43-0.97) ^b	0.06 (0.00-0.35) ^a	0.08 (0.00-0.56) ^a
Magnesium	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a
Zinc	0.72 (0.35-0.90) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.14) ^a	0.03 (0.01-0.21) ^a	0.58 (0.27-0.86) ^c	0.01 (0.00-0.06) ^a	0.11 (0.00-0.51) ^b
Phosphorus	1.00 (1.00-1.00) ^c	0.59 (0.03-0.96) ^a	0.90 (0.78-0.99) ^b	0.99 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.60 (0.04-0.87) ^a	0.86 (0.14-1.00) ^b
Potassium	0.69 (0.45-0.93) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.29) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.15) ^a	0.39 (0.14-0.89) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.02) ^a	0.03 (0.00-0.12) ^b
Iron	0.85 (0.65-1.00) ^b	0.04 (0.00-0.55) ^a	0.25 (0.00-0.55) ^a	0.93 (0.55-1.00) ^b	0.10 (0.00-0.45) ^a	0.15 (0.00-0.85) ^a

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Micronutrient and protein deficiencies after gastric bypass and sleeve gastrectomy: a one-year follow-up

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1 ABSTRACT

2 **Background:** Roux-en-Y gastric bypass (GBP) and sleeve gastrectomy (SG) have increased
3 dramatically, potentially increasing the prevalence of nutritional deficiencies. The aim of this
4 study was to analyze the effects of food restriction during the first year after bariatric surgery
5 (BS) on nutritional parameters.

6 **Methods:** 22 and 30 obese patients undergoing GBP and SG were prospectively followed at
7 baseline and three, six and twelve months after BS (N=14 and N=19 at T12). We evaluated
8 food intake and nutrient adequacy (T0, T3, T12), as well as serum vitamins and minerals
9 concentration (T0, T3, T6, T12).

10 **Results:** At baseline, GBP and SG patients had similar clinical characteristics, food intake,
11 nutrient adequacy and serum concentration. The drastic energy and food reduction led to very
12 low probabilities of adequacy for nutrients similar in both models (T3, T12). Serum analysis
13 demonstrated a continuous decrease in prealbumin during the follow-up, indicating mild
14 protein depletion in 37% and 38% of GBP patients and 57% and 52% of SG patients,
15 respectively at T3 and T12. Conversely, despite the low probabilities of adequacy observed at
16 T3 and T12, systematic multivitamin and mineral supplementation after GBP and SG
17 prevented most nutritional deficiencies.

18 **Conclusion:** GBP and SG have comparable effects in terms of energy and food restriction,
19 and subsequent risk of micronutrient and protein deficiencies in the first year post BS. Such
20 results advocate for a cautious monitoring of protein intake after GPB and SG and a
21 systematic multivitamin and mineral supplementation in the first year after SG.

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23 **Keywords:** Bariatric surgery; Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass; Sleeve gastrectomy; Protein
24 deficiency; Multivitamin and mineral supplementation.

INTRODUCTION

Among the few therapeutic tools to treat morbid obesity, bariatric surgery (BS) appears to be the most effective strategy as demonstrated by its ability to obtain major and sustainable weight loss along with significant improvement of obesity related-comorbidities [1,2]. As a result, the number of interventions has dramatically risen worldwide, and Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass (GBP) and Sleeve Gastrectomy (SG) represented respectively 47% and 28% of the 340,000 BS performed in 2011 [3]. Since 2008, SG has emerged to such an extent that it has become the most common procedure in several countries, as is the case in France [3]. Although the two surgical techniques and their mechanisms of action differ, they appear to be equally safe and both induce significant weight loss post-surgery [4].

GBP includes diet restriction as well as the bypass of the proximal part of the jejunum involved in nutrient absorption whereas SG is less invasive and principally restricts the volume of the stomach [5]. Therefore SG, compared to GBP, might be viewed as less likely to exacerbate the risk of micronutrient deficiencies in obese patients who are already prone to such deficiencies before surgery [6]. Nevertheless, some studies have demonstrated a considerably higher prevalence of nutrient deficiencies after SG [7–11]. Others, comparing GBP and SG, found quite similar prevalence after both procedures [12–16]. Although study designs differed, these converging results highlight the importance of daily multivitamin and mineral supplementation after both procedures, at least in the first year for SG, in accordance with the latest US guidelines [17]. While the previously mentioned studies evaluated nutrient deficiencies using serum biomarker concentrations, only very few have evaluated food and nutrient intake after GBP and SG: Freeman *et al.* evaluated food intake two to four years after surgery [18], Moizé *et al.* and Coupaye *et al.* evaluated the overall macronutrient intake during one year after BS but did not quantify micronutrient intake [15,19], and Moizé *et al.* evaluated macronutrient and some selected mineral intake during five years after BS [14].

Therefore, we aimed to analyze food restriction effects on the nutritional adequacy of the diet, on macro and micronutrient intake evolution as well as their consequences in terms of bioclinical evolution and micronutrient serum level during one year after both GBP and SG.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Patients

Obese candidates for either GBP or SG according to the international bariatric surgery guidelines [20] (i.e. body mass index (BMI) $\geq 40 \text{ kg/m}^2$, or $\geq 35 \text{ kg/m}^2$ with at least one severe obesity-related comorbidity) were treated in the Obesity Unit of Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital, Institute of Cardio-metabolism and Nutrition, ICAN, Paris, France. Patients determined the choice of technique, and advised by a multidisciplinary panel, from the hospital based on medical history, level of corpulence and obesity-related comorbidity. Weight stable patients were enrolled consecutively in this prospective non-randomized study from January 2012. Hotel-Dieu hospital ethics committee approved the clinical protocol (number P100503 – IDRCB 2011-A00759-32) which was recorded on clinical trial website (NCT: NCT01655017). Subjects gave their written informed consent prior to the study inclusion.

Medical history and clinical evaluation were obtained at baseline and during the follow-up at three (T3), six (T6) and twelve months (T12) as described elsewhere [21]. Anthropometric parameters were estimated by whole-body fan-beam DXA scanning (Hologic Discovery W, software v12.6, 2; Hologic, Bedford, MA), as previously described [22]. Variables from DXA used in the analyses were total and appendicular fat free mass (FFM, in kg), and total and appendicular fat mass (FM, in kg), where appendicular FFM (or FM) was calculated as the sum of FFM (or FM) from both arms and both legs. Basal metabolic rate

(BMR) was assessed with indirect calorimetry (Deltatrac II monitor, Datex Instrumentarium Corp., Helsinki, Finland) enabling the evaluation of underreporting of dietary intake [23].

Dietary data and nutrient intakes

At baseline, T3 and T12, patients completed three consecutive web-based 24h dietary records as described elsewhere [24], including two weekdays and one day on the weekend whenever possible. All foods and beverages consumed at breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks were recorded. Validated photographs enabled patients to estimate portion size for each reported food and beverage item [25]. Patients were also asked to indicate multivitamin and mineral supplements use, specifying the product name and amount, following the nutritional deficiency prevention treatment prescribed for every patient at our center, as described in [26]. This includes supplementation during two weeks before surgery of vitamin D (once 4×100,000 IU), thiamin (250 mg/day), and vitamin B-12 (250µg/day). Fifteen days post-GBP and SG, multivitamin and mineral supplements including Azinc “Forme et vitalité”® (two capsules per day, containing 800 µg vitamin A, 1.4mg thiamin, 200 µg folate, 1µg vitamin B-12, 120 mg vitamin C, 200 IU vitamin D, 8 mg iron and 15 mg zinc), iron (2×80 mg/ day), vitamin D (800 IU/day), and calcium (1,000mg/day) were started and continued for the first year in both BS procedures. Intake of nutrients derived from food were calculated using an updated version of the French database CIQUAL 2008 [27] which included more than 3,400 different food items. Nutrient intakes from multivitamin and mineral supplements were calculated using nutrient profile based on the product name. Ingested foods were categorized into 4 main food groups when possible: (i) fruit and vegetables, (ii) starchy foods, (iii) dairy products, and (iv) meat and fish. The food groups were defined according to the French National Nutrition and Health Program [28] and expressed in servings per day based on standard serving sizes [29].

Nutrient adequacy of the diet

Nutrient intake adequacy for each patient was calculated using the PANDiet index [30]. Briefly, probability of adequacy for each nutrient was calculated, ranging from 0 to 1, where 1 represents a 100% probability that the usual intake is adequate (i.e. it satisfies the requirement or is not excessive compared to a reference value). According to this definition, the probabilities of adequacy were computed to obtain the Adequacy sub-score (the higher, the better the intake satisfies the nutrient requirements) and the Moderation sub-score (the higher, the less likely the intake is excessive). The PANDiet score is taken as the mean of the Adequacy and Moderation sub-scores, and ranges from 0 to 100; the higher the score, the better the nutrient adequacy of the diet. As reference values, we used French nutritional recommendations for healthy adults or European Union values when specific recommendations were lacking.

Biochemical analyses

Blood samples were collected after an overnight fast to measure biochemical parameters using routine techniques as described [31]. Blood count and iron metabolism markers (i.e. ferritin, iron, transferrin, and saturation coefficient) were assessed using routine care method (nephelometry, ferrozine colorimetry and immunoturbidimetry respectively). Prealbumin was assessed by immunoturbidimetry. Serum concentrations of 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 and parathyroid hormone (PTH) were measured by chemiluminescent assay (310600 Liaison XL Diasorin and 11972103 Modular E 170 Roche, respectively), vitamin B-12 and folate were assessed using immunoanalysis ECL sandwich, and thiamin and vitamin B-6 were assessed using HPLC [6]. Vitamin and mineral deficiencies were defined as a result below the lower normal value given by the manufacturer [32]. Secondary hyperparathyroidism was

defined as an elevated PTH, above the high normal laboratory value. All measurements were conducted at baseline, T3, T6 and T12 (except for 25(OH)-vitamin-D3, PTH, thiamin, folate and vitamin B-12 at T3, and PTH at T6).

Statistical analyses

Continuous variables are presented as median and interquartile range (IQR) and frequencies as percentages. Mann-Whitney and paired Wilcoxon rank-sum tests were, respectively, used to compare continuous variables between surgical groups and time-points. Chi-squared and McNemar tests were used to compare frequencies between surgical groups and time-points, respectively. An overall α level of 5% was used for statistical tests following Holm-Bonferroni correction. These analyses were conducted on both the patients who completed T3 and T6, and on the patients who completed T3, T6 and T12. Since no significant difference was observed between two groups of patients both at baseline, and during the follow-up at T3 and T6, outcomes are merged when presented on tables and figures. All analyses were performed using Statistical Analysis Systems statistical software package version 9.3 (SAS Institute, Cary, NC, SA).

RESULTS

Clinical characteristics

Fifty-two patients were included in this study (22 GBP and 30 SG). All of them completed the first six months follow-up of this study (T3 and T6), and 33 completed the one year follow-up (T3, T6 and T12; 14 GBP and 19 SG). Importantly, the two groups were similar at baseline regarding sex, age, corpulence and body composition (Table 1). Likewise, the severity of obesity related-comorbidities was similar in the two groups, except for glucose intolerance, which was significantly more prevalent in the GBP group (Table 1).

As expected, BS induced significant weight loss in both surgical techniques, however GBP led to a significantly greater weight loss at T6 and T12 compared to SG (Table 1). More specifically, the total and appendicular FFM (in kg) significantly decreased at T3 and then stabilized at T6 and T12 in the two groups, while the total and appendicular FM (in kg) significantly decreased along the one year follow-up in the GBP group whereas it significantly decreased until T6 and then stabilized from T6 to T12 in the SG group (Figure 1). As a result, body composition significantly improved as demonstrated by changes in the percentage of FFM and FM (Table 1). GBP induced a significant improvement of obesity-related comorbidities (except for high blood pressure (HBP)), whereas SG only led to a significant improvement of dyslipidemia at T6 and T12 (Table 1).

Food and macronutrient intakes

At baseline, no difference was observed for energy, food or macronutrient intakes between the two groups (Table 2). The BMR values revealed that patients from both groups underreported their caloric intake by 8%.

After both GBP and SG, energy intake drastically decreased at T3 and slightly increased at T12, although not reaching baseline intake levels (significant at all time points, Table 2). These changes in energy intake were explained by a significant decrease in food intake at T3 in the two surgical groups (non-significant for dairy products) and a tendency for a modest increase in food intake at T12 (significant for starchy foods in the SG group, Table 2). Total protein intake drastically and significantly decreased at T3 in both groups, and a majority of patients reported protein intake below the recommended value of 60 g/day (85.7% after GBP and 79% after SG, Table 2). Afterwards, total protein intake slightly but significantly increased at T12, although it remained below the baseline levels (Table 2). Furthermore, 61% of the patients reported low dietary protein intake (64% and 58%

respectively for GBP and SG groups, Table 2) at T12. No significant changes in macronutrient distribution (total fat, SFA, PUFA and total carbohydrates) were observed during the follow-up in the two groups (T3 and T12, Table 2). Energy, food and macronutrient intakes were not different between the two groups during the follow-up (T3 and T12, Table 2).

Nutrient adequacy of the diet

At baseline, neither the PANDiet scores nor the probabilities of nutrient adequacy differed between the two groups (Table 3). Low probabilities of adequacy for protein were observed in both groups compared to the French adult population [30].

After both BS, the percentage of patients taking the prescribed systematic multivitamin and mineral supplements significantly increased, from baseline to T3: 14% versus 77% for GBP and 10% vs. 76.7% for SG, as expected from the recommendations (Table 3). This high adherence was maintained at T12 with 86% and 68% respectively for GBP and SG (Table 3). Due to the supplementation, the global nutrient adequacy of the diet did not drop and rather stabilized along the follow-up (PANDiet score and Adequacy sub-score were not significantly different at all time points) and the probability of adequacy for vitamin D was improved (Table 3). Of note, when the global nutrient adequacy of the diet was calculated without taking into account the prescribed supplementation, we found that it drastically decreased at T3 and barely increased at T12 (Supplemental Table 1). However, since the prescribed supplementation neither contains protein, fiber nor phosphorus, lower probabilities of adequacy for these nutrients were observed in both groups at T3 compared to baseline (Table 3). Furthermore, although the probabilities of adequacy for these four nutrients significantly increased at T12 in both groups compared to T3 due to the slight

199 increase in food intake, they remained below the baseline values (except for protein in the
200 GBP group, Table 3).

202 **Nutritional deficiencies**

203 At baseline, none of the metabolic and nutritional parameters were different between
204 the two groups (Table 4). As expected in severe obesity, 100% and 83% of the patients from
205 the GBP and SG groups, respectively, presented 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 deficiency as seen by
206 serum concentrations below 30 ng/ml (Table 4) with subsequent secondary
207 hyperparathyroidism in 50% of the subjects, showing major deficiency in this population.

208 After both BS, prealbumin concentration drastically and significantly decreased at T3
209 and further stabilized at T6 and T12 (Table 4). At T12, 38% of GBP patients and 52% of SG
210 patients presented mild protein depletion as shown by prealbumin concentration below the
211 normal range of 0.2 g/l and 21% of GBP patients and 16% of SG patients presented risk of
212 mild protein malnutrition as shown by albumin concentration below the normal value of 37
213 g/l (Table 4). Of note, two patients in the GBP group and one patient in the SG group
214 presented both mild protein depletion and risk of mild protein malnutrition. After both BS,
215 vitamin D supplementation enabled a significant increase in 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 serum
216 concentrations at T6, which stabilized at T12 (Table 4). However, 50% and 21% of GBP and
217 SG patients, respectively, still displayed secondary hyperparathyroidism at T12 (Table 4).
218 Since all patients were prescribed multivitamin and mineral supplementation, we verified
219 whether this supplementation might induce serum concentrations of selected vitamins and
220 minerals above the normal range at T12. In fact, there were only a few such cases in the
221 overall cohort: one with elevated serum thiamin (700 nmol/l) and one with high serum ferritin
222 (740 µg/l) in the SG group, and one with elevated vitamin B12 (580 pmol/l) in the GBP
223 group. Importantly, all such elevations remained below toxic levels.

DISCUSSION

To the best of our knowledge, this is the first study to assess the relationship between food intake, nutrient adequacy of the diet and nutritional biological parameters systematically measured before, three and twelve months after GBP and SG. In this study where the patients had similar clinical characteristics at baseline (except for T2D prevalence), our main findings are: (i) protein intake significantly decreases after both GBP and SG, inducing mild protein depletion in more than a third of the patients one year after both surgical techniques; (ii) even though patients after GBP experienced greater weight loss than after SG, both types of surgery induced similar food restriction effects on the nutritional adequacy of the diet and, (iii) systematic multivitamin and mineral supplementation after SG seems to prevent these nutritional deficiencies, the same way as in GBP in the first year.

After one year, we observed that GBP led to significantly greater weight loss compared to SG, in accordance with previous data from the literature, including a large multicenter study [33,34]. Nevertheless, some controversy remains. Indeed other reports show that changes in body weight were similar one year after both GBP and SG [15,19,35], although these were smaller cohorts. We evaluated the evolution of body composition and observed that, in both surgeries, total FFM decreased until three months and then stabilized, whereas total FM displayed a continuous decrease during the follow-up. Our results are consistent with previous reports showing changes in body composition following GBP [22] or SG [36] as measured by DXA. Our results are also concordant with the only study comparing these outcomes after both sleeve and by-pass [19]. In that study, the continuous weight loss during one year was due to the decrease of total FM, the total FFM being spared after four months [19]. More importantly, we observed that appendicular FFM decreased until three months and then stabilized, whereas appendicular FM continued to decrease throughout the

249 follow-up period in both models. Appendicular FFM represents a better surrogate of muscle
250 mass than total FFM [37], and this is the first time that this outcome and its evolution have
251 been studied after SG. Interestingly, the change in appendicular FFM was similar in the two
252 surgical procedures.

253 After both BS, we observed that 61% of the patients reported daily protein
254 consumption under the recommended value of 60 g/day at T12 (64% for GBP and 58% for
255 SG). Our results are consistent with those of Andreu *et al.* and Moizé *et al.* who found that
256 respectively 37% and 46% of patients had a daily protein intake below 60 g/day one year after
257 BS [19,38]. In accordance with those findings, we did not find any difference between GBP
258 and SG [38]. We report a prevalence of insufficient protein intake that is nearly 2-fold higher
259 than that reported by Moizé *et al.* (61% versus 37%), which is mostly attributable to the
260 systematic protein supplementation prescribed by these authors to all of their patients [38].
261 One objective of recommending a minimal protein intake of 60 g/day after both GBP and SG
262 is to mitigate post-surgical FFM loss in the first months [17]. Indeed, Moizé *et al.*
263 demonstrated that patients with insufficient protein intake during the follow-up lost more
264 FFM in both SG and GBP than patients with sufficient protein intake [19]. Because skeletal
265 muscle is the primary site of insulin-stimulated glucose disposal during euglycemia [39], loss
266 of FFM might contribute to the development of insulin resistance and should be avoided in
267 order to maintain the beneficial metabolic outcomes. An important goal of future long-term
268 follow-up studies will be to determine whether insufficient protein intake following BS might
269 result in loss of muscular strength. Furthermore, longer-term weight stabilization (and regain)
270 should also be assessed in link with the quantity of protein intake.

271 After both BS, we also observed that prealbumin concentration significantly
272 decreased, resulting in more than a third of patients exhibiting mild protein depletion. Our
273 results are in line with the few studies that reported changes in prealbumin concentration after

GBP or SG. All studies found lower values at T12 after GBP compared to baseline [15,40,41]. Results with SG are more heterogeneous, with reports showing both lower [42] or no change in prealbumin concentrations [15,41]. Of note, Moizé *et al.* reported that 14% of GBP and 16% of SG patients experienced abnormalities in prealbumin concentrations at T12 after BS [14]. As mentioned above, this difference may be due to the systematic prescription of protein supplement in the Hospital Clinic of Barcelona [19,38]. Adequate protein intake after BS is of utmost importance to prevent the patients from experiencing hair loss, poor wound healing and adverse effects such as infections after skin repair surgery and ultimately – but rarely – protein-calorie malnutrition [43,44].

Although SG merely restricts the volume of the stomach without intestinal malabsorption [5], it also leads to an accelerated gastric emptying. Subsequently faster gastrointestinal passage might promote nutrient deficiencies [45], as observed in a recent study with increased faecal excretion of fatty acids [46], resulting in a state of moderate malabsorption. Furthermore, SG decreases gastric intrinsic factor and gastric acid production, two factors involved in vitamin B-12 and iron absorption. Because most of our patients took the prescribed daily multivitamin and mineral supplements one year after both GBP and SG, few patients experienced nutritional abnormalities (except for 25(OH)-vitamin-D3) and there was no difference between the two surgical groups. Our results were consistent with previous data from the literature [14,15]. Conversely, others reported a higher risk of vitamin B-12 and 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 deficiencies after GBP compared to SG [12]. It should be noted that in these three studies, patients undergoing GBP or SG were instructed to take multivitamin and mineral supplements on a daily basis after BS. Another point to take into account, is the risk of developing undesirably high levels of micronutrient concentrations due to the systematic supplementation as was previously reported after SG [7,8,11]. Herein, we only identified one patient with serum thiamin and another with serum ferritin above normal range. Nevertheless,

it should be noted that the risk of excessive levels in those studies were mostly observed for vitamin A and B-6, which we did not assess. Altogether, these data highlight the importance to prescribe daily multivitamin and mineral supplements after both GBP and SG at least in the first year, but also to monitor the adherence of the patients to their supplementation.

At baseline, the higher prevalence of glucose intolerance in patients undergoing GBP reflects the process of selection for different BS techniques, where GBP is the first choice for patients with T2D or glucose intolerance since it demonstrated its superiority over SG to improve glycemic status post-surgery [35]. We also observed that neither GBP nor SG enabled a significant improvement of HBP in terms of overall prevalence. Nevertheless, both the number of patients treated and the number of treatments per patients tended to decrease after both surgeries, suggesting slight improvement of HBP in this cohort of obese patients with many comorbidities. Nevertheless our data are in accordance with previous studies, which indicated that HBP may not be the best resolved comorbidity after surgery [47,48].

One of the main strengths of our study is the use of a validated web-based method of dietary assessment which allowed us to provide detailed quantification of the food and nutrient intake for each patient [24]. This method allows us to assess the use of multivitamin and mineral supplements and measure adherence of the patients to the supplementation. Although the interventions were not randomized in our study, our participants had comparable clinical characteristics at baseline (except for T2D) and were provided the same systematic supplementation regardless of the surgical procedure. The main limitation concerns the relative small number of patients, especially in the group who completed the one year follow-up. This may have prevented us from detecting changes between FFM loss and low protein intake after both procedures. Future studies with longer follow-up periods and larger sample size are needed to determine how poor dietary habits and nutritional deficiencies correlate with weight maintenance at longer term and with the improvement or

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324 resolution of obesity related co-morbidities. We intend to follow this cohort in the second
325 year of their surgery to assess their evolution in terms of nutritional risks and body
326 composition.

327 In conclusion, we observed similar food restriction effects on the nutritional adequacy
328 of the diet in the first year post GBP and SG surgery. We also observed comparable
329 consequences in terms of bioclinical evolution and micronutrient serum concentrations.
330 Altogether, our results advocate for a cautious monitoring of protein intake and a systematic
331 multivitamin and mineral supplementation after both GPB and SG – at least in the first year
332 for SG.

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TABLES

TABLE 1. Anthropometric parameters and clinical characteristics according the surgical models at baseline, 3 months, 6 months and 12 months¹.

	GBP				SG			
	Baseline n=22	3 months n=22	6 months n=22	12 months n=14	Baseline n=30	3 months n=30	6 months n=30	12 months n=19
Age, years	43.5 (38.0-51.0)	/	/	/	41.0 (36.0-49.0)	/	/	/
Sex (% female)	68.2	/	/	/	66.7	/	/	/
Anthropometric parameters								
Weight, kg	127 (113-139) ^d	101 (94-115) ^c	89 (83-106) ^b	83 (79-92) ^a	117 (108-137) ^d	98 (90-116) ^c	94 (81-111) ^b	103 (84-109) ^a
BMI, kg/m ²	45.5 (41.6-49.1) ^d	37.0 (33.6-42.0) ^c	33.5 (31.3-37.2) ^b	30.6 (27.8-33.6) ^a	43.2 (39.0-47.7) ^d	35.5 (32.8-41.7) ^c	35.6 (29.9-40.9) ^b	38.5 (29.2-41.1) ^a
Weight loss, kg	0.0 (0.0-0.0) ^a	23.2 (19.8-27.2) ^b	32.4 (28.0-38.4) ^c	38.8 (29.0-48.6) ^d	0.0 (0.0-0.0) ^a	18.3 (15.4-22.9) ^b	23.9 (18.7-29.9) ^{*c}	27.2 (25.6-33.0) ^{*d}
Fat free mass (%)	51.8 ^a	53.9 ^b	57.7 ^c	59.9 ^d	50.9 ^a	53.1 ^b	56.3 ^c	54.9 ^c
Fat mass (%)	45.8 ^d	43.2 ^c	39.4 ^b	36.9 ^a	46.6 ^c	44.0 ^b	40.7 ^a	42.2 ^a
Obesity related-diseases								
Type-2 diabetes, N (%)	12 (54) ^b	4 (18) ^a	4 (18) ^a	3 (21) ^a	10 (33)	7 (23)	7 (23)	3 (16)
Glucose intolerance, N (%)	16 (73) ^b	4 (18) ^a	4 (18) ^a	3 (21) ^a	10 (33) [*]	7 (23)	7 (23)	3 (16)
OSA, N (%)	14 (64) ^b	13 (59) ^b	10 (45) ^b	3 (21) ^a	15 (50)	14 (48)	8 (27)	7 (37)
Dyslipidemia, N (%)	20 (91) ^b	18 (81) ^b	17 (77) ^b	5 (36) ^a	26 (87) ^b	21 (72) ^b	13 (43) ^a	6 (32) ^a
HBP, N (%)	12 (54)	11 (50)	8 (36)	5 (36)	9 (30)	9 (30)	9 (30)	7 (37)
Treatment for HBP, N (mean number of treatment)	12 (2.1)	/	7 (1.6)	5 (1.6)	9 (2.8)	/	9 (1.9)	6 (2.0)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test. *Represents significant differences between GBP and SG. *Glucose intolerance is defined as either fasting hyperglycemia (1g/l ≤G< 1.26g/l) or 6%≤HbA1c<6.5%); dyslipidemia is defined as a patient with treatment (statin or fibrate) or hypertriglyceridemia ≥1.5g/l or hypoHDL<0.5g/l for women and hypoHDL<0.4g/l for men; High blood pressure (HBP) is defined as a systolic blood pressure >140 mmHg and/or a diastolic blood pressure > 90mmHg or patients with an anti-hypertensive treatment; obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) is defined as an Index Apnea Hypopnea >5/hour with or without treatment.)*

TABLE 2. Energy, food and macronutrient intakes according to the surgical models at baseline, 3 months and 12 months¹.

	GBP			SG		
	Baseline n=22	3 months n=22	12 months n=14	Baseline n=30	3 months n=30	12 months n=19
Energy and food intakes						
Energy intake, <i>kcal/d</i>	2005 (1539-2266) ^c	711 (615-1006) ^a	1226 (8133-1559) ^b	1658 (1445-2395) ^c	833 (539-1108) ^a	1078 (793-1354) ^b
BMR, <i>kcal/d</i>	2179 (2005-2409) ^c	1770 (1702-2072) ^b	1653 (1480-1791) ^a	1959 (1853-2218) ^c	1742 (1593-1894) ^b	1686 (1565-1963) ^a
Fruit and vegetables, <i>serving/d</i>	4.8 (3.2-7.0) ^b	2.2 (0.8-3.2) ^a	2.1 (1.5-3.9) ^{ab}	3.0 (1.6-4.3) ^b	1.5 (0.8-2.1) ^a	1.4 (1.0-2.6) ^{ab}
Starchy foods, <i>serving/d</i>	2.8 (2.1-3.7) ^b	0.7 (0.3-1.2) ^a	1.1 (0.8-1.6) ^a	2.6 (2.1-3.3) ^c	0.7 (0.3-1.1) ^a	1.2 (0.7-1.7) ^b
Dairy products, <i>serving/d</i>	2.1 (1.3-3.1)	1.7 (0.5-2.6)	2.1 (0.8-2.5)	1.6 (1.0-2.4)	1.4 (0.6-1.9)	1.2 (0.7-1.7)
Meat and fish, <i>serving/d</i>	1.4 (1.0-2.6) ^b	0.8 (0.6-1.1) ^a	0.7 (0.4-1.6) ^{ab}	1.6 (1.1-2.5) ^b	0.9 (0.6-1.4) ^a	1.0 (0.7-1.8) ^{ab}
Macronutrient intakes						
Protein, <i>g/d</i>	83.5 (70.6-105.6) ^c	41.7 (24.0-49.0) ^a	50.4 (36.9-65.2) ^b	78.3 (64.0-107.2) ^c	41.2 (26.8-52.6) ^a	51.8 (36.4-65.3) ^b
N (%) < 60g/d	2 (9) ^a	19 (86) ^b	9 (64) ^b	4 (13) ^a	26 (87) ^b	11 (58) ^b
Protein, <i>g/kg/d</i>	0.66 (0.57-0.73) ^b	0.38 (0.24-0.46) ^a	0.59 (0.48-0.715) ^b	0.65 (0.57-0.80) ^c	0.39 (0.29-0.50) ^a	0.46 (0.39-0.74) ^b
Total Lipid, % <i>El/d</i>	32.0 (30.0-40.6)	36.8 (32.4-39.3)	38.8 (33.6-45.6)	37.4 (33.2-39.9)	41.6 (35.8-44.7)	39.5 (37.1-44.5)
SFA, % <i>El/d</i>	14.7 (11.3-16.4)	15.5 (13.1-16.6)	17.4 (13.7-20.9)	15.6 (14.5-18.7)	17.4 (15.3-19.6)	15.8 (13.7-19.4)
PUFA, % <i>El/d</i>	4.8 (4.2-5.8)	4.3 (3.2-6.4)	3.5 (3.0-5.5)	5.0 (4.0-5.9)	5.0 (3.3-6.4)	5.6 (4.3-8.0)
Total Carbohydrate, % <i>El/d</i>	47.8 (42.0-49.7)	44.0 (38.9-49.2)	42.2 (35.4-47.1)	44.1 (40.0-46.7)	37.4 (32.3-46.8)	42.4 (33.4-45.1)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test.

TABLE 3. Multivitamin and mineral supplementation, PANDiet scores and probabilities of nutrient adequacy according to the surgical models at baseline, 3 months and 12 months¹

	GBP			SG		
	Baseline	3 months	12 months	Baseline	3 months	12 months
	n=22	n=22	n=14	n=30	n=30	n=19
Supplementation, N (%)	3 (14) ^a	17 (77) ^b	12 (86) ^b	3 (10) ^a	23 (77) ^b	13 (68) ^b
PANDiet	67.4 (60.7-70.7)	74.7(61.5-76.3)	71.0 (65.3-75.0)	57.7 (54.0-63.1)	65.3 (57.2-71.3)	65.0 (57.4-73.0)
Moderation Sub-score	64.6 (58.6-85.6)	82.1 (75.6-85.3)	74.3 (61.8-81.2)	63.2 (51.3-73.5) ^a	70.9 (63.83-80.0) ^b	73.1 (66.7-78.1) ^b
Protein	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Carbohydrate	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (0.97-1.00)	1.00 (0.98-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Fat	0.99 (0.95-1.00)	0.81 (0.58-0.93)	0.59 (0.05-0.95)	0.84 (0.52-0.96)	0.42 (0.02-0.84)	0.57 (0.05-0.89)
SFA	0.19 (0.04-0.61)	0.12 (0.02-0.35)	0.02 (0.00-0.29)	0.05 (0.00-0.30)	0.02 (0.00-0.15)	0.10 (0.00-0.28)
Cholesterol	0.66 (0.36-0.99) ^a	0.99 (0.94-1.00) ^b	0.95 (0.51-0.99) ^{ab}	0.41 (0.15-0.79) ^a	0.98 (0.65-1.00) ^b	1.00 (0.65-1.00) ^b
Sodium	0.43 (0.18-0.77) ^a	1.00 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.97 (0.71-1.00) ^b	0.51 (0.01-0.78) ^a	1.00 (0.97-1.00) ^b	0.99 (0.70-1.00) ^b
Adequacy Sub-score	63.7 (53.3-76.6)	69.4 (62.7-70.7)	73.2 (66.3-75.6)	51.6 (39.3-69.0)	63.1 (42.1-72.1)	63.2 (38.1-74.3)
Protein	0.51 (0.18-0.78) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.03) ^a	0.30 (0.05-0.71) ^b	0.47 (0.17-0.81) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.08) ^a	0.05 (0.00-0.68) ^b
Total Carbohydrate	0.86 (0.20-0.98)	0.43 (0.04-0.82)	0.20 (0.01-0.62)	0.44 (0.03-0.68)	0.09 (0.00-0.75)	0.24 (0.00-0.52)
Total Fat	0.69 (0.50-1.00)	0.93 (0.70-0.99)	1.00 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.82-1.00)	0.99 (0.84-1.00)	1.00 (0.93-1.00)
PUFA	0.44 (0.25-0.80)	0.35 (0.07-0.73)	0.14 (0.02-0.60)	0.49 (0.21-0.76)	0.49 (0.07-0.83)	0.66 (0.24-0.91)
Fibre	0.19 (0.02-0.54) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.06) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b
Vitamin A	0.78 (0.35-0.94)	1.00 (0.74-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.67 (0.44-0.96)	0.99 (0.53-1.00)	0.67 (0.01-1.00)
Thiamin	0.85 (0.48-0.98)	1.00 (0.90-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.61 (0.34-0.81)	1.00 (0.40-1.00)	0.97 (0.05-1.00)
Riboflavin	0.96 (0.81-0.98)	1.00 (0.91-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.83 (0.57-0.93)	1.00 (0.65-1.00)	0.97 (0.41-1.00)
Niacin	0.99 (0.76-1.00)	1.00 (0.99-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.93 (0.85-0.99)	1.00 (0.89-1.00)	1.00 (0.65-1.00)
Vitamin B-6	0.81 (0.54-0.99)	1.00 (0.77-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.44 (0.11-0.96)	1.00 (0.17-1.00)	0.98 (0.04-1.00)
Folate	0.85 (0.32-0.97)	0.94 (0.58-1.00)	0.98 (0.94-1.00)	0.56 (0.30-0.81)	0.86 (0.42-0.99)	0.86 (0.02-1.00)
Vitamin B-12	0.88 (0.75-0.98)	0.81 (0.42-0.96)	0.94 (0.84-1.00)	0.87 (0.76-0.97)	0.91 (0.77-0.99)	0.83 (0.66-1.00)

Vitamin C	0.75 (0.25-0.95)	1.00 (0.64-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.26 (0.00-0.82) ^a	1.00 (0.56-1.00) ^b	0.94 (0.06-1.00) ^{ab}
Vitamin D	0.01 (0.00-0.20) ^a	0.99 (0.50-1.00) ^b	1.00 (0.97-1.00) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.58) ^a	0.96 (0.17-1.00) ^b	0.71 (0.31-0.99) ^b
Vitamin E	0.34 (0.11-0.94)	0.97 (0.46-1.00)	1.00 (0.95-1.00)	0.18 (0.02-0.44)	0.95 (0.03-0.99)	0.71 (0.17-1.00)
Calcium	0.87 (0.70-0.97)	1.00 (0.93-1.00)	1.00 (0.98-1.00)	0.82 (0.43-0.97)	0.85 (0.02-1.00)	0.44 (0.04-1.00)
Magnesium	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)	0.00 (0.00-0.00)
Zinc	0.75 (0.37-0.94)	1.00 (0.86-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.58 (0.27-0.86)	1.00 (0.15-1.00)	0.94 (0.13-1.00)
Phosphorus	1.00 (1.00-1.00) ^c	0.59 (0.03-0.96) ^a	0.90 (0.78-0.99) ^b	0.99 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.60 (0.04-0.87) ^a	0.86 (0.14-1.00) ^b
Potassium	0.69 (0.45-0.93) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.29) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.15) ^a	0.39 (0.14-0.89) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.02) ^a	0.03 (0.00-0.12) ^b
Iron	0.93 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.96-1.00)	0.93 (0.55-1.00)	1.00 (0.45-1.00)	0.85 (0.15-1.00)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test.

TABLE 4. Metabolic and nutritional parameters according the surgical models at baseline, 3 months, 6 months and 12 months¹

	GBP				SG			
	Baseline	3 months	6 months	12 months	Baseline	3 months	6 months	12 months
	n=22	n=22	n=22	n=14	n=30	n=30	n=30	n=19
Hemoglobin (g/dl)	13.9 (13.0-14.7)	13.9 (13.4-14.7)	13.8 (13.5-14.1)	13.7 (13.3-14.1)	13.7 (13.2-14.5)	13.7 (12.9-14.4)	13.6 (13.1-14.1)	13.4 (13.0-14.1)
<12 g/dl N(%)	2 (9)	0 (0)	1 (5)	1 (7)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)	1 (5)
Ferritin (µg/l)	115 (62-201)	86 (69-188)	96 (65-199)	100 (58-166)	121 (39-230)	154 (92-266)	144 (92-234)	144 (82-176)
<30 µg/l N(%)	3 (14)	0 (0)	1 (5)	1 (7)	3 (10)	1 (3)	1 (3)	1 (5)
Iron (µmol/l)	14.0 (10.0-16.0)	13.0 (12.0-17.0)	15.0 (13.0-18.0)	15.0 (12.0-18.0)	15.0 (12.0-22.0)	16.0 (14.0-19.0)	17.0 (13.0-19.0)	16.5 (13.0-19.0)
<9 µmol/l N (%)	4 (18)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (7)	2 (7)	0 (0)	1 (5)
Transferrin (g/l)	3.1 (2.7-3.1)	2.3 (2.2-2.8)	2.4 (2.1-2.8)	2.5 (2.0-2.8)	2.7 (2.5-2.9)	2.4 (2.2-2.7)	2.5 (2.3-2.7)	2.6 (2.3-2.7)
>3.1 g/l N(%)	3 (14)	2 (9)	2 (9)	1 (7)	3 (10)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)
Total iron binding capacity (µmol/l)	67.5 (61.0-76.0)	58.0 (55.0-71.0)	59.0 (53.0-69.0)	62.0 (51.0-70.0)	66.5 (61.0-72.0)	61.0 (56.0-67.0)	62.0 (58.0-67.0)	64.0 (57.0-67.0)
>80 µmol/l N(%)	1 (5)	2 (9)	1 (5)	1 (7)	2 (7)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)
Transferrin saturation coefficient (%)	0.21 (0.16-0.26)	0.22 (0.17-0.24)	0.25 (0.19-0.32)	0.24 (0.19-0.33)	0.25 (0.18-0.33)	0.29 (0.23-0.33)	0.28 (0.20-0.32)	0.25 (0.23-0.29)
<0.15% N(%)	5 (23)	3 (14)	1 (5)	3 (21)	2 (7)	1 (3)	1 (3)	1 (5)
Albumin (g/l)	35.5 (33.0-37.0) ^a	39.0 (36.0-41.0) ^b	38.0 (36.0-41.0) ^b	39.0 (37.0-40.0) ^b	37.0 (35.0-39.0) ^a	40.0 (37.0-42.0) ^b	40.0 (38.0-42.0) ^b	41.0 (38.0-42.0) ^b
<37 g/l N(%)	13 (59)	7 (32)	6 (27)	3 (21)	14 (47)	6 (20)	2 (7)	3 (16)
Prealbumin (g/l)	0.25 (0.19-0.30) ^b	0.20 (0.16-0.21) ^a	0.20 (0.19-0.22) ^a	0.20 (0.18-0.0.25) ^{ab}	0.23 (0.21-0.25) ^b	0.18 (0.17-0.21) ^a	0.19 (0.18-0.21) ^a	0.19 (0.18-0.22) ^a
<0.2 g/L N(%)	6 (27)	8 (37)	10 (45)	5 (38)	5 (17) ^a	17 (57) ^b	15 (50) ^b	10 (52) ^b
Calcium (mmol/l)	2.29 (2.24-2.37)	2.39 (2.33-2.43)	2.37 (2.28-2.39)	2.31 (2.26-2.39)	2.31 (2.24-2.38)	2.37 (2.31-2.44)	2.31 (2.28-2.38)	2.33 (2.31-2.38)
25(OH)-vitamin-D3 (ng/ml)	13.0 (10.0-23.0) ^a	/	29.5 (26.5-32.0) ^b	27.0 (22.0-29.0) ^b	17.0 (11.0-23.0) ^a	/	26.9 (22.5-30.5) ^b	25.0 (20.0-30.0) ^b
<30 ng/ml N(%)	19 (86)	/	10 (45)	10 (71)	25 (83)	/	18 (60)	13 (68)
Parathyroid hormone (pg/ml)	48.3 (41.5-58.9)	/	/	44.1 (35.1-47.1)	46.8 (36.4-54.0)	/	/	39.5 (32.3-43.3)
>45 pg/ml N(%)	13 (59)	/	/	6 (43)	15 (50)	/	/	4 (21)
Thiamin (nmol/l)	157 (150-174)	/	193 (155-193)	197 (174-215)	147 (134-175)	/	177 (158-191)	181 (149-218)
<126 nmol/l N(%)	2 (9)	/	1 (5)	0 (0)	5 (17)	/	1 (3)	0 (0)

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Erythrocyte folate (nmol/l)	1287 (1023-1429) /	1760 (1457-1961)	1940 (1421-2169)	1234 (1036-1377) ^a /	1411 (1246-1806) ^b	1540 (1366-1804) ^b
<945 nmol/l N(%)	4 (18) /	2 (9)	0 (0)	5 (17) /	0 (0)	0 (0)
Serum folate (nmol/l)	16.8 (12.9-24.0) /	26.9 (22.8-33.4)	27.9 (22.8-41.0)	17.7 (14.7-20.5) ^a /	22.8 (18.4-28.4) ^b	20.2 (15.6-26.4) ^b
Vitamin B-12 (pmol/l)	284 (209-334) /	252 (227-345)	221 (195-278)	293 (248-358) /	311 (224-464)	311 (216-432)
<140 pmol/l N(%)	1 (5) /	1 (5)	0 (0)	1 (3) /	0 (0)	0 (0)

¹Labeled medians or percentages without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction or paired McNemar test. *Normal ranges are as follows: hemoglobin [12-17] g/dl; ferritin [30-300] µg/l; iron [9-27] µmol/l; transferrin [1.7-3.1] g/l; total iron binding capacity [40-80] µmol/l; transferrin saturation coefficient [0.15-0.35] %; albumin [37-50] g/l; prealbumin [0.2-0.35] g/l; calcium [2.1-2.65] mmol/l; 25(OH)-vitamin-D3 [30-100] ng/ml; thiamin [126-250] nmol/l; serum folate [7-39.5] nmol/l, vitamin B-12 [140-490] pmol/l.*

FIGURE LEGENDS

FIGURE 1. Changes in body composition in the GBP and SG groups at baseline (T0) and along the follow-up (T3, T6 and T12).

Results are expressed as means \pm SDs. Evolution of body composition during follow-up. Gastric sleeve in grey and GBP in black; top left panel fat free mass; top right panel total fat mass, low left panel appendicular fat free mass (i.e. arms + legs), low right panel appendicular fat mass. Labeled means without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction. No significant difference between GBP and SG was observed.

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

SUPPLEMENTAL TABLE 1. PANDiet scores and probabilities of nutrient adequacy according to the surgical models at baseline, 3 months and 12 months (calculated from foods only)¹

	GBP			SG		
	Baseline	3 months	12 months	Baseline	3 months	12 months
	n=22	n=22	n=14	n=30	n=30	n=19
PANDiet	66.0 (60.7-70.5) ^b	51.6 (47.8-53.7) ^a	52.1 (46.1-57.6) ^a	57.7 (54.0-62.1) ^b	47.6 (40.9-53.0) ^a	52.9 (46.7-60.6) ^b
Moderation Sub-score	64.6 (58.6-85.6)	82.1 (75.6-85.3)	74.3 (61.8-81.2)	63.2 (51.3-73.5) ^a	70.9 (63.8-80.0) ^b	73.1 (66.7-78.1) ^b
Protein	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Carbohydrate	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (0.97-1.00)	1.00 (0.98-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	1.00 (1.00-1.00)
Total Fat	0.99 (0.935-1.00)	0.81 (0.58-0.93)	0.59 (0.05-0.95)	0.84 (0.52-0.96)	0.42 (0.02-0.84)	0.57 (0.05-0.89)
SFA	0.19 (0.04-0.61)	0.12 (0.02-0.35)	0.02 (0.00-0.29)	0.05 (0.00-0.30)	0.02 (0.00-0.15)	0.10 (0.00-0.28)
Cholesterol	0.66 (0.36-0.99) ^a	0.99 (0.94-1.00) ^b	0.95 (0.51-0.99) ^{ab}	0.41 (0.15-0.79) ^a	0.98 (0.65-1.00) ^b	1.00 (0.65-1.00) ^b
Sodium	0.43 (0.18-0.77) ^a	1.00 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.97 (0.71-1.00) ^b	0.51 (0.01-0.78) ^a	1.00 (0.97-1.00) ^b	0.99 (0.70-1.00) ^b
Adequacy Sub-score	60.8 (53.0-72.0) ^b	22.1 (14.9-34.5) ^a	30.3 (22.8-42.8) ^a	51.6 (38.4-69.0) ^c	20.6 (11.9-35.2) ^a	27.0 (16.8-44.4) ^b
Protein	0.51 (0.18-0.78) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.03) ^a	0.30 (0.05-0.71) ^b	0.47 (0.17-0.81) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.08) ^a	0.05 (0.00-0.68) ^b
Total Carbohydrate	0.86 (0.20-0.98)	0.43 (0.04-0.82)	0.20 (0.01-0.62)	0.44 (0.03-0.68)	0.09 (0.00-0.75)	0.24 (0.00-0.52)
Total Fat	0.69 (0.50-1.00)	0.93 (0.70-0.99)	1.00 (0.85-1.00)	1.00 (0.82-1.00)	0.99 (0.84-1.00)	1.00 (0.93-1.00)
PUFA	0.44 (0.25-0.80)	0.35 (0.07-0.73)	0.14 (0.02-0.60)	0.49 (0.21-0.76)	0.49 (0.07-0.83)	0.66 (0.24-0.91)
Fibre	0.19 (0.02-0.54) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.06) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b
Vitamin A	0.71 (0.30-0.91) ^b	0.12 (0.00-0.51) ^a	0.43 (0.05-0.70) ^{ab}	0.67 (0.44-0.96) ^b	0.07 (0.00-0.61) ^a	0.16 (0.00-0.59) ^a
Thiamin	0.84 (0.48-0.97) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.19) ^a	0.16 (0.01-0.42) ^a	0.56 (0.31-0.77) ^b	0.02 (0.00-0.32) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.35) ^a
Riboflavin	0.89 (0.79-0.98) ^b	0.06 (0.01-0.67) ^a	0.12 (0.03-0.75) ^a	0.83 (0.57-0.93) ^b	0.21 (0.00-0.46) ^a	0.08 (0.00-0.70) ^a
Niacin	0.99 (0.76-1.00) ^b	0.09 (0.00-0.60) ^a	0.54 (0.10-0.82) ^a	0.93 (0.85-0.99) ^b	0.34 (0.00-0.84) ^a	0.68 (0.41-0.98) ^a
Vitamin B-6	0.81 (0.54-0.98) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.04) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.28) ^a	0.44 (0.11-0.96) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.10) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.08) ^a
Folate	0.83 (0.32-0.97) ^b	0.04 (0.01-0.17) ^a	0.08 (0.01-0.48) ^a	0.56 (0.30-0.81) ^b	0.03 (0.00-0.18) ^a	0.04 (0.01-0.16) ^a
Vitamin B-12	0.88 (0.75-0.98) ^b	0.31 (0.02-0.80) ^a	0.72 (0.38-0.90) ^b	0.87 (0.76-0.97) ^b	0.63 (0.12-0.83) ^a	0.73 (0.25-0.86) ^a

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Vitamin C	0.63 (0.20-0.95) ^b	0.05 (0.00-0.57) ^{ab}	0.09 (0.00-0.47) ^a	0.26 (0.00-0.82) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.16) ^a	0.04 (0.00-0.21) ^{ab}
Vitamin D	0.00 (0.00-0.10) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.02) ^{ab}	0.02 (0.00-0.30)	0.00 (0.00-0.08)	0.15 (0.00-0.44)
Vitamin E	0.29 (0.08-0.89) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.03) ^b	0.18 (0.02-0.44) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.01) ^a	0.13 (0.00-0.39) ^b
Calcium	0.87 (0.07-0.97) ^b	0.28 (0.00-0.77) ^a	0.49 (0.07-0.86) ^a	0.82 (0.43-0.97) ^b	0.06 (0.00-0.35) ^a	0.08 (0.00-0.56) ^a
Magnesium	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^b	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a	0.00 (0.00-0.00) ^a
Zinc	0.72 (0.35-0.90) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.14) ^a	0.03 (0.01-0.21) ^a	0.58 (0.27-0.86) ^c	0.01 (0.00-0.06) ^a	0.11 (0.00-0.51) ^b
Phosphorus	1.00 (1.00-1.00) ^c	0.59 (0.03-0.96) ^a	0.90 (0.78-0.99) ^b	0.99 (0.96-1.00) ^c	0.60 (0.04-0.87) ^a	0.86 (0.14-1.00) ^b
Potassium	0.69 (0.45-0.93) ^b	0.01 (0.00-0.29) ^a	0.01 (0.00-0.15) ^a	0.39 (0.14-0.89) ^c	0.00 (0.00-0.02) ^a	0.03 (0.00-0.12) ^b
Iron	0.85 (0.65-1.00) ^b	0.04 (0.00-0.55) ^a	0.25 (0.00-0.55) ^a	0.93 (0.55-1.00) ^b	0.10 (0.00-0.45) ^a	0.15 (0.00-0.85) ^a

¹Labeled medians without a common letter differ between time-points for each surgical model, as tested by paired pairwise post hoc comparisons with Holm-Bonferroni correction.

Figure 1
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