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Characteristics of Metabolic Syndrome Seen in the ZDSD Rat

- Increased body weight with increased abdominal fat
- Insulin resistance / Glucose intolerance
- Hyper-lipidemia
- Increased blood pressure / Hypertension
- Increased Serum BioMarkers of Coagulation inflamation and Vascular Disease
- Increased fed and fasting glucose and HbA1c levels



Anti-diabetic Drug Treatment Prevents Diabetes and Weight Loss in ZDSD Rats (5008 Chow)



Diabetic Nephropathy in the ZDSD Rat

- Increased kidney weight
- Increased urinary markers for kidney disease
- Increased serum markers for kidney disease
- Glomerular sclerosis
- Nodular sclerosis, KW nodules
- Thickening basement membrane of glomerular capillaries
- Podocyte effacement on glomerular capillaries[®]



Summary of ZDSD Characteristics

- Conforms to the FDA's guidelines for development of therapeutics for obesity, metabolic syndrome, and type II diabetes.
- Intact leptin pathway.
- Insulin resistance, elevated glucose levels and glucose intolerance develop early.
- Mirrors the progression of type II diabetes in humans.
- Progresses through Insulin resistance, hypertension, dyslipidemia, obesity & diabetes.
- Diet sensitive.
- Responsive to: TZDs, Metformin, Exenatide, Sitaglipin, Niacin, Rimonabant & Glyburide.
- Exhibits diabetic complications: nephropathy, osteoporosis and cardiovascular.
- Complications of diabetes develop over reasonable timeframes.