## Metabolic stress in patients with acute severe ulcerative colitis: a single-center cohort study

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### **Population**

- > Adult patients with ASUC (n=15)
- Without Type-1 or Type-2 diabetes



- Homeostatic Model Assessment for Insulin Resistance (HOMA-IR)
- Indirect calorimetry
- Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis (BIA)

#### Background & Aim

- > Acute severe ulcerative colitis (ASUC) is characterized by systemic inflammation, which may lead to hypercatabolism.
- > Patients with ASUC usually receive high-dose steroids that may accelerate the metabolic response and lead to hyperglycaemia and insulin resistance, but the degree of **synergy** is unknown.
- > We aimed to measure levels of metabolic stress, including insulin resistance, during admission (baseline) and three weeks after discharge (follow-up).

# **Results**

Figure A: Homeostatic Model Assessment for Insulin Resistance (HOMA-IR) scores at baseline and follow-up.

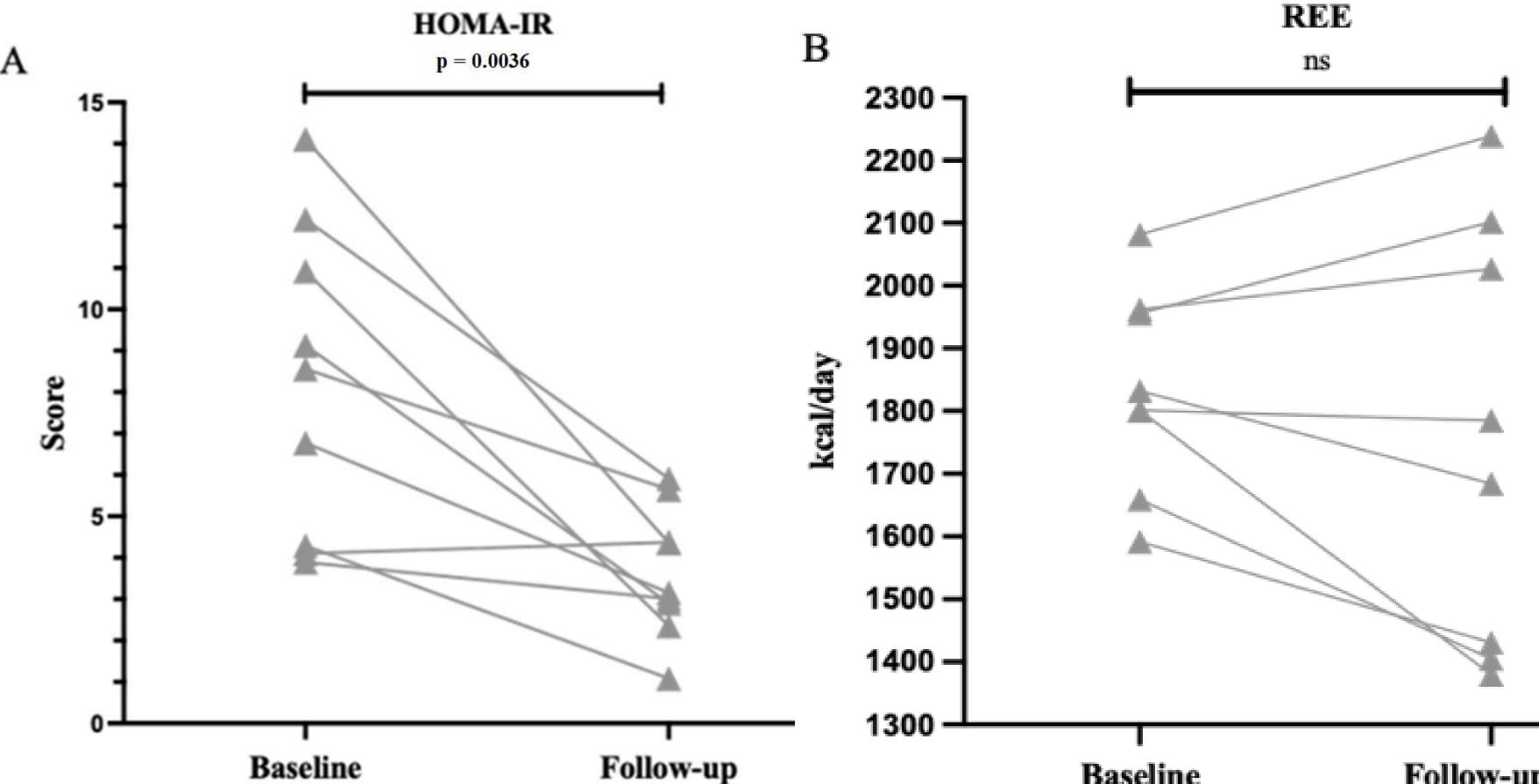
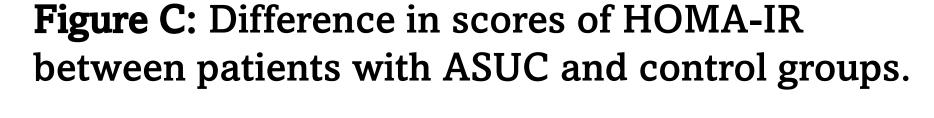
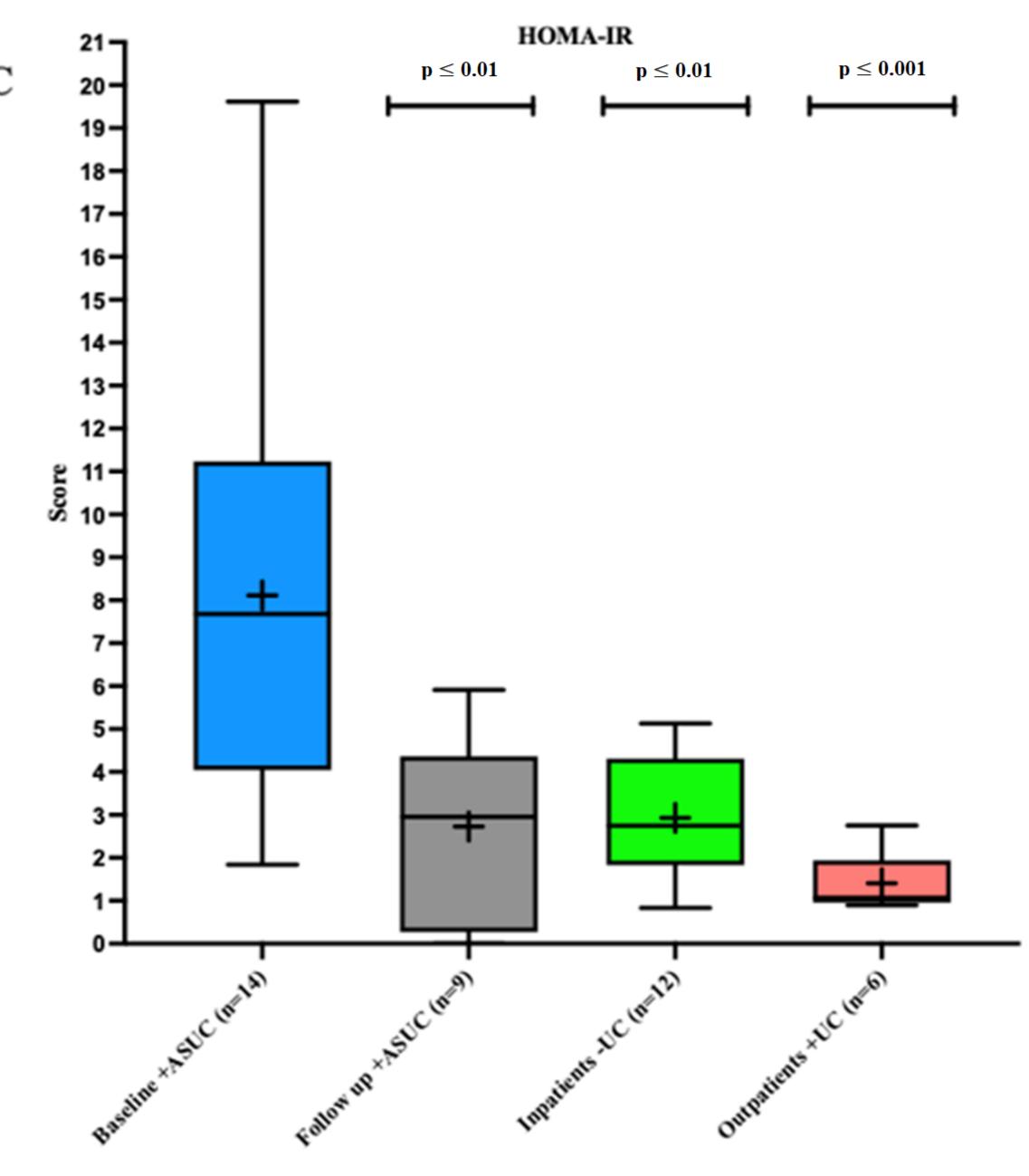


Figure B: Difference in resting energy expenditure (REE) at baseline and follow-up.



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# Conclusion

- > HOMA-IR, a marker of insulin resistance, was markedly elevated in patients admitted with ASUC.
- > Although reduced at three-week follow-up, most of the patients remained relatively insulin resistant, compared with relevant control groups (median 7.68 [1.84; 19.61] (p=0.0036)).
- > Resting energy expenditure and body composition did not change from baseline to follow-up.



Baseline



Follow-up



