

Gene research may help spot infant obesity risk

The following is an excerpt.

Researchers have identified 45 genetic genetic variants in overweight newborns that are known to occur in obese adults and hope their findings could someday help combat the global obesity epidemic.

“Allowing earlier identification of high-risk newborns may allow for earlier interventions to take place to possibly prevent obesity later in life,” study lead author Dr. Reeti Chawla, a fellow in pediatric endocrinology at Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago and the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, said in an Endocrine Society news release.

Read the full story here: [Gene Research May Help Spot Baby’s Obesity Risk](#)