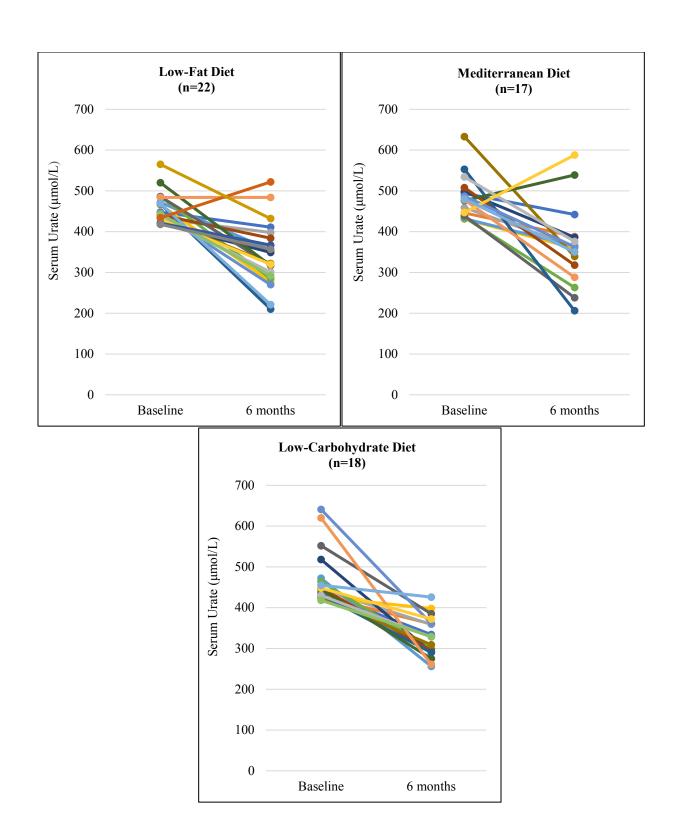
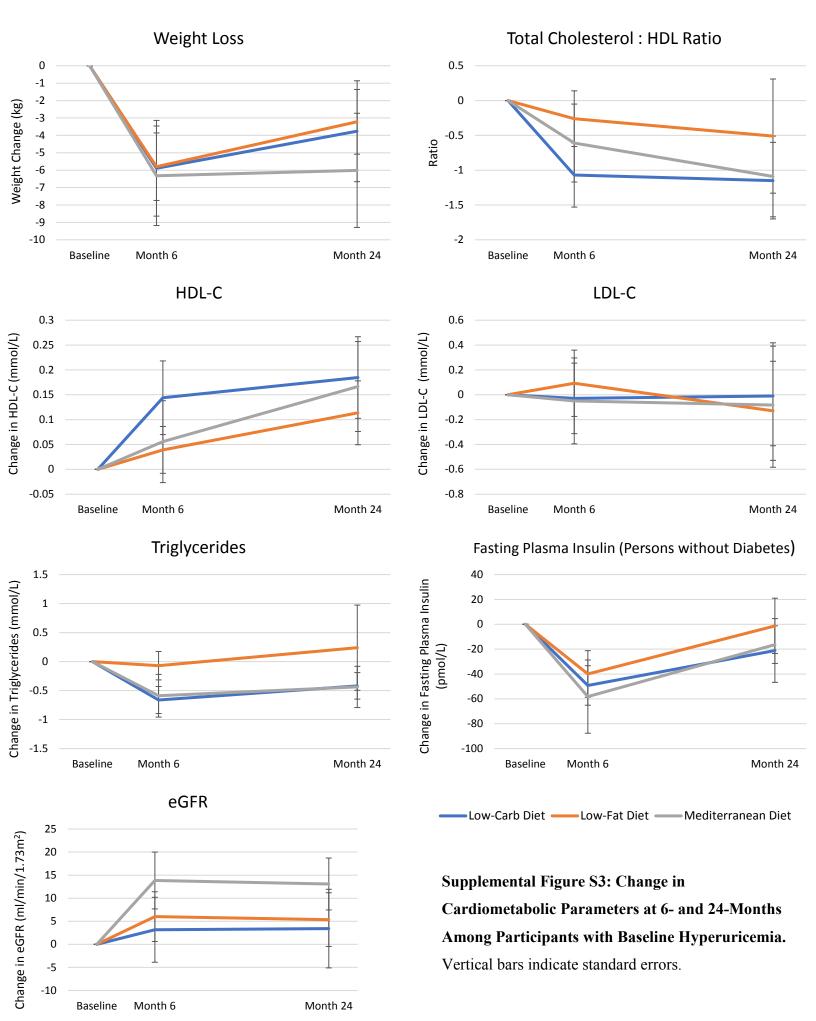


Supplemental Figure S1: Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials (CONSORT) Flow Diagram



Supplemental Figure S2. Serum Urate Change at 6 Months Among Those with Baseline Hyperuricemia, According to Assigned Diet.



Supplemental Table S1. Overview of Each Diet

Diet	Characteristics					
Low fat, restricted	Participants counseled to consume low-fat grains, vegetables,					
calorie	fruits, and legumes and limit added fats, sweets, and high-fat					
	snacks					
	• Up to 30% of calories from fat, 10% from saturated fat and up					
	to 300mg cholesterol/day					
	Up to 1500kcal/day for women and 1800kcal/day for men					
Mediterranean,	Moderate-fat, rich in vegetables and low in red meat, with					
restricted calorie	poultry and fish replacing beef and lamb					
	• Main sources of added fat were from 30-45 grams of olive oil					
	and a handful of nuts (5-7, < 20 grams) per day					
	• Up to 35% of calories from fat					
	Up to 1500kcal/day for women and 1800kcal/day for men					
Low carbohydrate,	Based upon the low-carbohydrate, high-protein/fat Atkins diet					
non-restricted calorie	• 20g/day of carbohydrates during the induction phase (first 2					
	months), returning to this level of severe carb restriction after					
	each religious holiday					
	• During maintenance phase, participants instructed to increase					
	carbs gradually up to a maximum of 120g/day to maintain					
	weight loss					
	Participants counseled to choose vegetarian sources of fat and					
	protein					
	Total calories, protein and fat intake from any source (except)					
	industrial- trans fats), intakes not limited.					

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Supplemental Table S2. Sample Daily Meal Plans for Each Diet

		Low fat, rest	tricted calorie		M	editerranean,	restricted calor	ie	Low carbohydrate, non-restricted calorie			
	Day 1		Day 2		Day 1		Day 2		Initiation Phase		Maintenance Phase	
	Light whole- wheat bread	2 slices	Low fat yogurt	150g	Coffee with 1% fat milk		Coffee with 1% fat milk		Walnut	1 unit (6g)	Sour cream 15% fat	Liberal
Breakfast	Cottage cheese (5% fat)	75g	Grapes	6 medium (42g)	Light whole wheat bread	2 slices	Low-fat yogurt	150g	High fat cream cheese	100g		
	Tomato	1 medium (160g)	Plum	1 medium (70g)	Low fat white cheese	2 TB	Fruits	2 units				
			Granola	2 spoons (30g)	Cucumber and tomato	few slices each						
					Fruit	1 unit						
Snack	Peach	1 medium (160g)										
	Roast chicken breast	150g	Chicken legs, baked, w/o skin	2 units	Grilled fish	1 portion, 150 gr	Greek salad with low-fat feta cheese	Big bowl	Fried chicken breast	Liberal	Fish, chicken, or beef, fried or roasted, not breaded	Liberal
	Roast potatoes	2 medium (140g)	Spaghetti in tomato sauce	1 cup (150g)	Cooked chickpeas	1 cup	Olive oil	1.5 TB	Cucumber	1 small (82g)	Stir fried zucchini with herbs	½ cup
Lunch	Cabbage salad	100g	Mixed vegetable salad, low- fat dressing	1 cup (150g)	Fresh and cooked vegetable salad	1 cup	Cooked peas	½ cup	Tomato	1 small (80g)	Roasted eggplants	½ cup
					Olive oil	1.5 TB	Whole wheat rice	½ cup	Tahini	2 T	Fresh vegetable salad with 2 tablespoons (17 g) of tahini	2 cups
	Low fat yogurt	150g	Whole-wheat cracker	2 crackers	Low-fat yogurt	150g	Light whole wheat bread	1 slice	Turkey pastrami	2 slices (64g)	Almond cookies (with eggs, almonds and sugar substitute)	2 small (12g)
Snack	Energy bar	1 bar (43g)	Strawberry jam	2 teaspoons (12g)	Fresh vegetables	few slices	Low-fat white cheese	2 TB				
					Fruit	1 unit	Fresh vegetables	few slices				
							Fruit	1 unit				

		Low fat, res	tricted calorie		M	lediterranean,	restricted calor	ie	Low carbohydrate, non-restricted calorie				
	Day 1		Day 2		Day 1		Day 2		Initiation Phase		Maintenance Phase		
	Whole- wheat bread	2 slices	Whole-wheat bread	2 slices	Light whole wheat bread	2 slices	Light whole wheat bread	2 slices	Tuna fish preserved in oil	Liberal	Cream cheese	250g	
	Hard cheese (9% fat)	1 slice (20g)	Low fat cream cheese	35g	Low fat white cheese	3 TB	Low fat white cheese	3 TB	Fried eggs	Liberal	Broccoli and mushrooms coated with eggs, no flour	½ cup	
Dinner	Carrot salad, low-fat dressing	200g	Smoked salmon	50g	Fresh vegetable salad	1 cup	Fresh vegetable salad	1 cup	Avocado	Liberal	Tuna	Liberal	
			Tomato	1 medium (160g)	Olive oil	1 TB	Olive oil	1 TB	Cucumber	2 medium (160g)	Olives	Liberal	
					Walnuts	5 units	Walnuts	5 units	Lettuce	1 cup (55g)			
							Hard boiled egg	1 unit					
							Chickpeas, cooked	½ cup					
	Watermelon	250g	Low fat yogurt	150g	Fresh vegetables	few slices	Fresh vegetables	few slices			Fruit flavor diet yogurt	150g	
Night			Banana	1 medium (100g)	Fruit	1 unit	Fruit	1 unit			Walnuts	5 units (28g)	
											Apple	1 small (100g)	

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Supplemental Table S3. Baseline Characteristics of Included Subjects and Those Not Included in Analysis Due to Missing Serum Urate

	Included Subjects	Excluded Subjects (n=87)		
Baseline Characteristics*	(n=235)			
Age, years	51.5 ± 6.3	50.3 ± 6.4		
Male, N (%)	206 (87.7)	71 (81.6)		
SU, µmol/L (mg/dL)	$363 \pm 83 \; (6.1 \pm 1.4)$	-		
SU \geq 416 μ mol/L (\geq 7 mg/dL), N (%)	57 (24.3)	-		
BMI, kg/m ²	30.5 ± 3.3	32.1 ± 4.2		
Weight, kg	90.0 ± 13.0	95.3 ± 13.8		
Diabetes, N (%)	34 (14.5)	12 (13.8)		
Coronary heart disease, N (%)	85 (36.2)	33 (37.9)		
Blood pressure, mm Hg				
Systolic	130.2 ± 14.3	132.9 ± 15.1		
Diastolic	78.9 ± 9.1	80.8 ± 9.3		
Lipid profile				
HDL, mmol/L	1.00 ± 0.24	0.98 ± 0.23		
Triglycerides, mmol/L	1.86 ± 0.80	2.13±1.39		
Total cholesterol : HDL ratio	5.3 ± 1.4	5.7 ± 2.0		
eGFR, ml/minute/1.73 m ²	96.1 ± 21.5	97.0 ± 22.8		
HOMA-IR	3.2 ± 2.6	3.4 ± 2.4		
Statins, N (%)	52 (22.1)	20 (21.0)		
Antihypertensive therapy, N (%)	72 (30.6)	24 (27.6)		
Diuretics, N (%)	18 (7.7)	8 (9.2)		

^{*}Unless indicated otherwise, values are the mean \pm standard deviation.

Abbreviations: SU – serum urate; BMI – body mass index; HDL – high-density lipoprotein; eGFR – estimated glomerular filtration rate; HOMA-IR – homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance