

Non-pharmacological interventions as a means to promote healthy ageing

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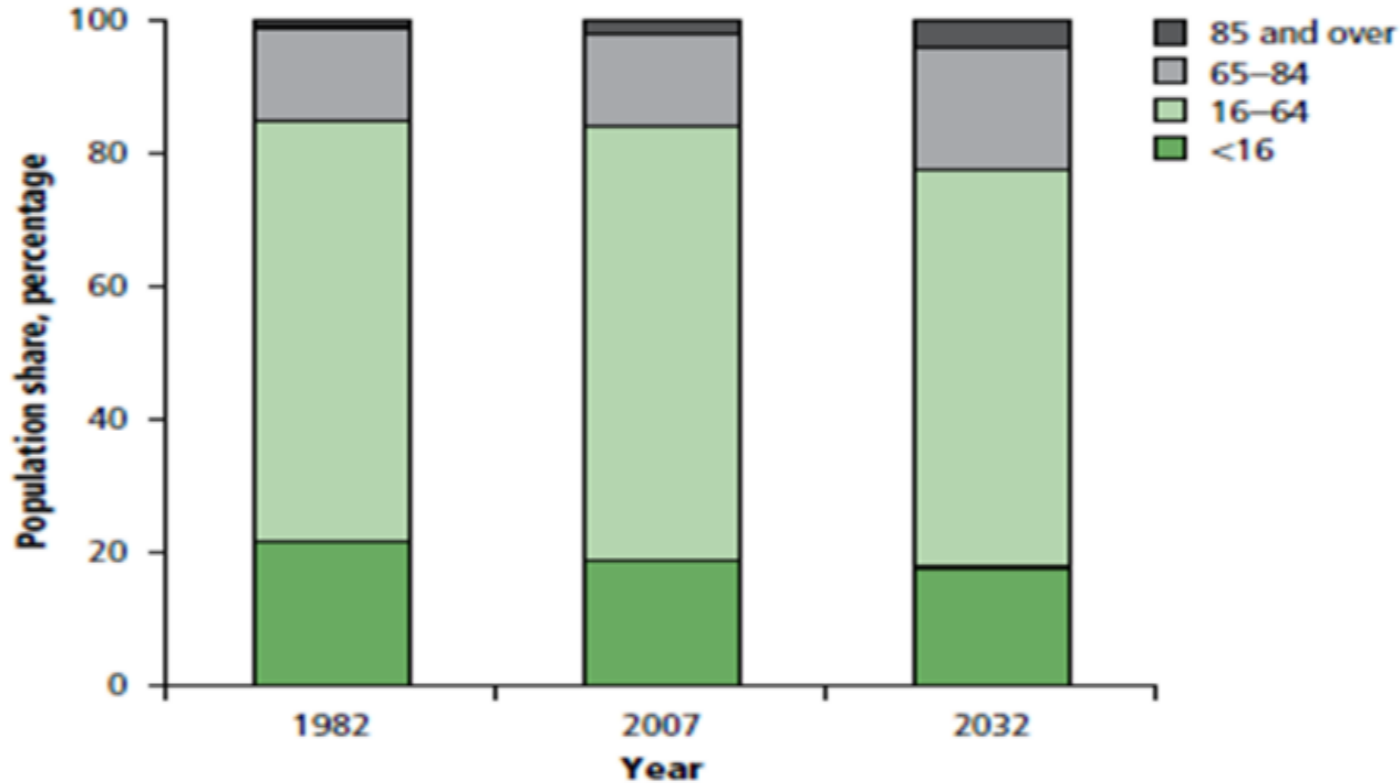
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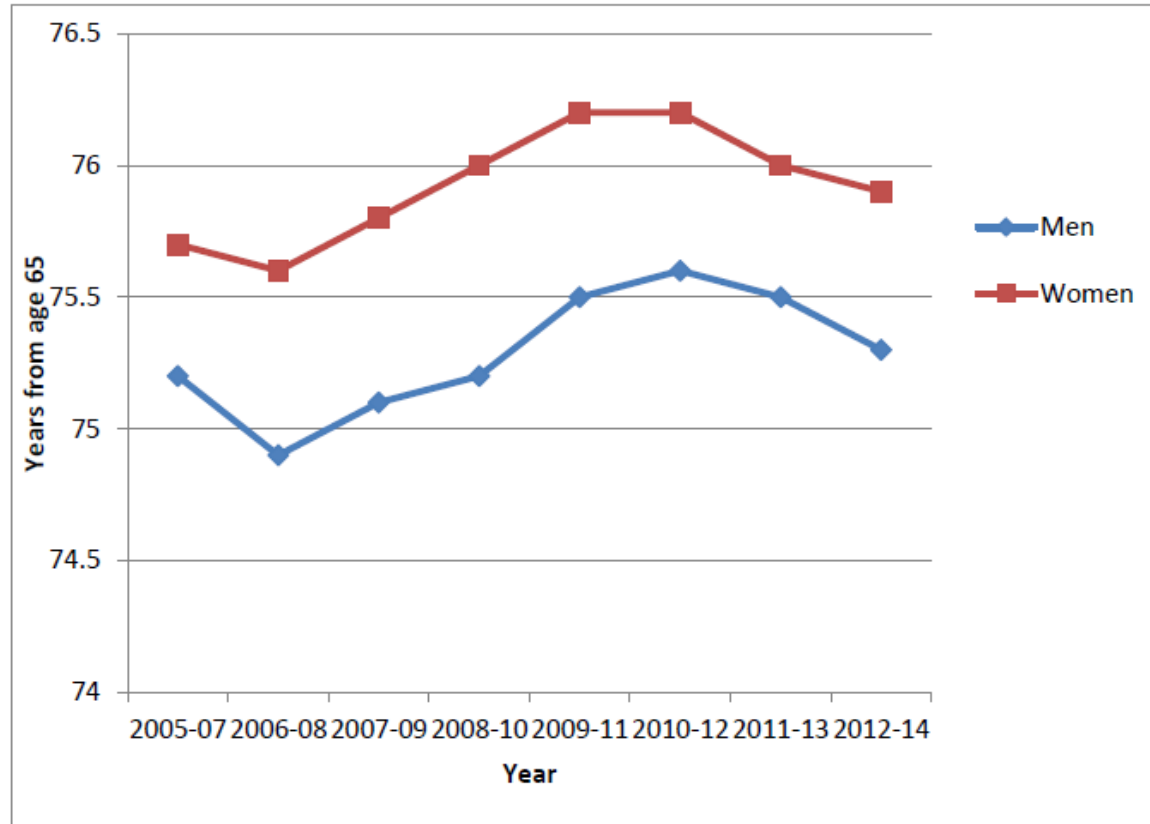
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Population age structure, 1982–2032, UK



Demographics

Figure 4: Average disability free life expectancy at age 65 in England, 2005-07 to 2012-14

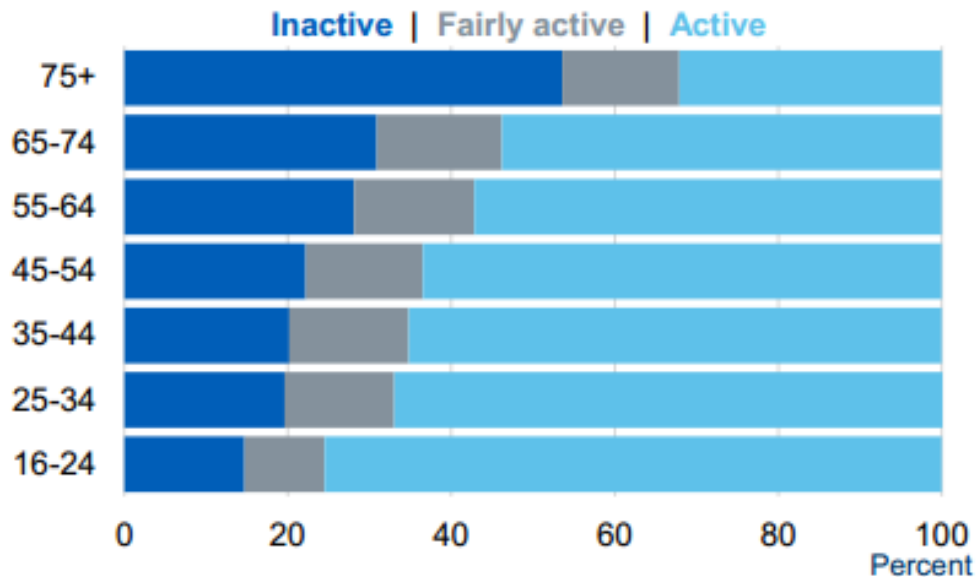


Alarming!

Source: Office for National Statistics (2016⁵, 2012⁶)^c

Age group

Inactivity levels increase with age. Those aged 16-24 were least likely to be inactive (15%) whilst those aged 75+ were most likely to be inactive (54%).



National
Statistics
(2017)

NUMBERS OF INACTIVE ADULTS ACROSS THE UK

North West England
■ **47%** (2,640,000)

Northern Ireland
■ **46%** (650,000)

Wales
■ **42%** (1,030,000)

North East England
■ **42%** (900,000)

London
■ **40%** (2,670,000)

West Midlands
■ **40%** (1,810,000)

Yorkshire and the Humber
■ **40%** (1,720,000)

East Midlands
■ **39%** (1,460,000)

East of England
■ **37%** (1,750,000)

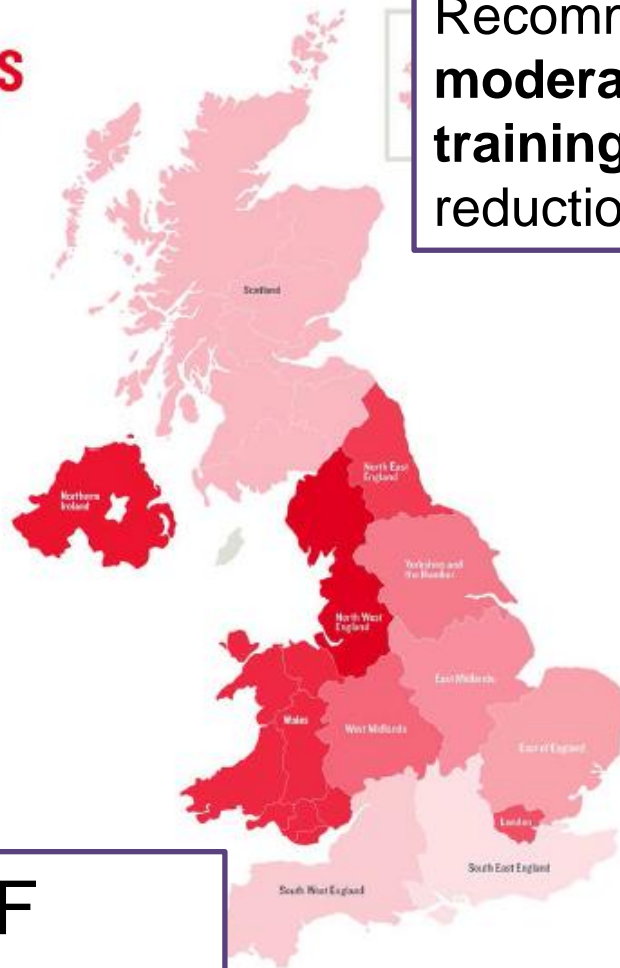
Scotland
■ **37%** (1,620,000)

South West England
■ **35%** (1,550,000)

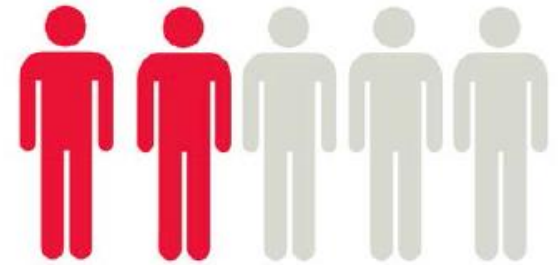
South East England
■ **34%** (2,370,000)

% of population (number of inactive)

**BHF
(2017)**



Recommendations: of at least **150 min of moderate intensity** activity and **resistance training** twice a week. Equally important reduction of sedentary behaviour



39% of adults in the UK do not meet physical activity recommendations

- In 1989, Rosenberg propose the term “sarcopenia” (poverty of flesh) to describe the age-related decline in muscle mass
- Widely accepted definition by Morley et al (2001):
Sarcopenia is the loss of **muscle mass and strength** that occurs with aging.
- ~1% of muscle mass loss per year from age of 40)



René Koopman,
and Luc J. C.
van Loon (2009)

SARCOPENIA

Table 1. Criteria for the diagnosis of sarcopenia

Diagnosis is based on documentation of criterion 1 plus (criterion 2 or criterion 3)

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1. Low muscle mass
2. Low muscle strength
3. Low physical performance

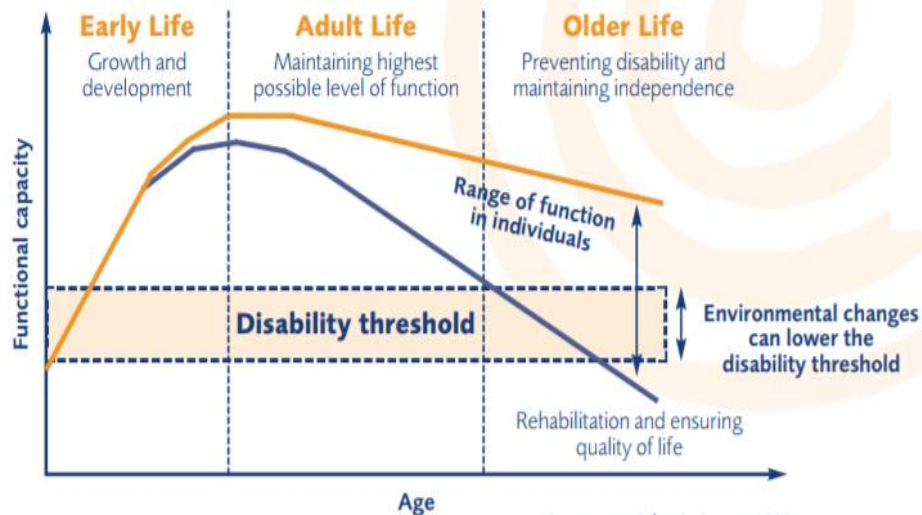
Table 3. EWGSOP conceptual stages of sarcopenia

Stage	Muscle mass	Muscle strength	Performance
.....			
Presarcopenia	↓		
Sarcopenia	↓	↓	Or ↓
Severe sarcopenia	↓	↓	↓

Diagnostic Criteria and stages of sarcopenia

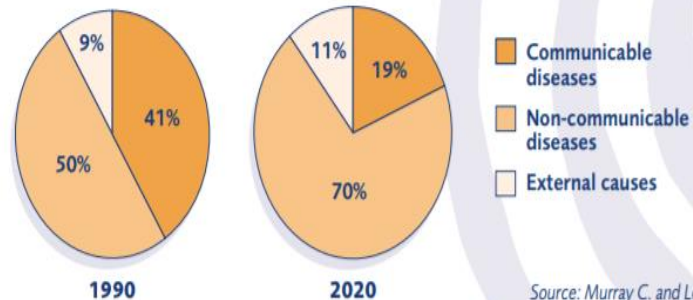
Functional capacity and the life course

A life course perspective for maintenance of the highest possible level of functional capacity



Source: WHO/HPS, Geneva 2000

Cause of death in developing countries



Source: Murray C. and Lopez A.
The Global Burden of Disease, 1996: OUP

Functional decline and link with non-communicable diseases

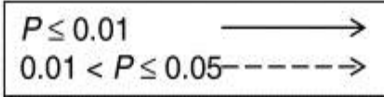
Common clinical disorders

- CVD
- Hypertension
- Raised cholesterol
- ECG abnormalities
- Diabetes
- Obesity
- Respiratory disease
- Thyroid disorders (hypo/hyper)
- Renal disorders
- Liver disorders
- Anaemia
- Osteoporosis
- Psychiatric problems
- Cancer

Functional ageing

- Lung function (FEV1, FVC)
- Grip strength
- Standing balance
- Chair rising
- Walking speed
- Verbal memory
- Processing speed
- Reaction time

Kuh et al
(2014)



SARCOPENIA CATEGORIES BY CAUSE

PRIMARY SARCOPENIA AGE- RELATED

No other cause evident except ageing

SECONDARY SARCOPENIA

ACTIVITY- RELATED

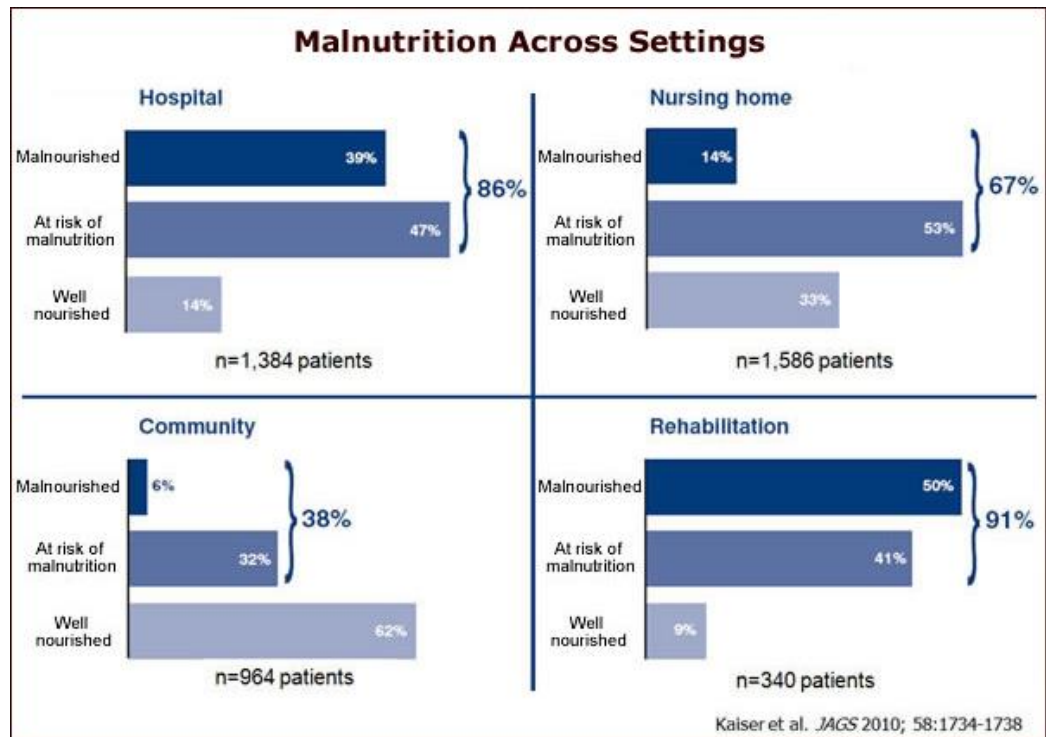
Can result from bed rest, sedentary lifestyle, deconditioning or zero- gravity conditions

DISEASE- RELATED

Associated with advanced organ failure (heart, lung, liver, kidney, brain), inflammatory disease, malignancy or endocrine disease

NUTRITION- RELATED

Results from inadequate dietary intake of energy and/or protein, as with malabsorption, gastrointestinal disorders or use of medications that cause anorexia



“The total public expenditure on malnutrition in health and social care was estimated to be **£19.6 billion**, with **older adults accounting for 52% of the total. (2011-12)**

Elia (2015)

Sarcopenia: An Emerging Giant Greater Than Osteoporosis

Sarcopenia is defined as the loss of skeletal muscle mass and strength with increased age, resulting in weakness, limited mobility, and increased susceptibility to injury. There are many reports on the clinical features, etiologies, pathomechanisms, clinical course, and prognosis of patients with sarcopenia. In particular, frailty, muscle wasting, and sarcopenia are common among older adults, and are chronic problems that threaten the healthy life expectancy of each country. Prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation of these conditions have become a major concern in health care today. For the clinical application of sarcopenia in medical practice, the recognition as a disease and consensus on the

in particular, the cutoffs used for diagnosis are different according to regions and population. In order to expand clinical applications, achieving consensus on diagnostic criteria with standardized values obtained from diagnostic references at regional or national level should be a top priority.

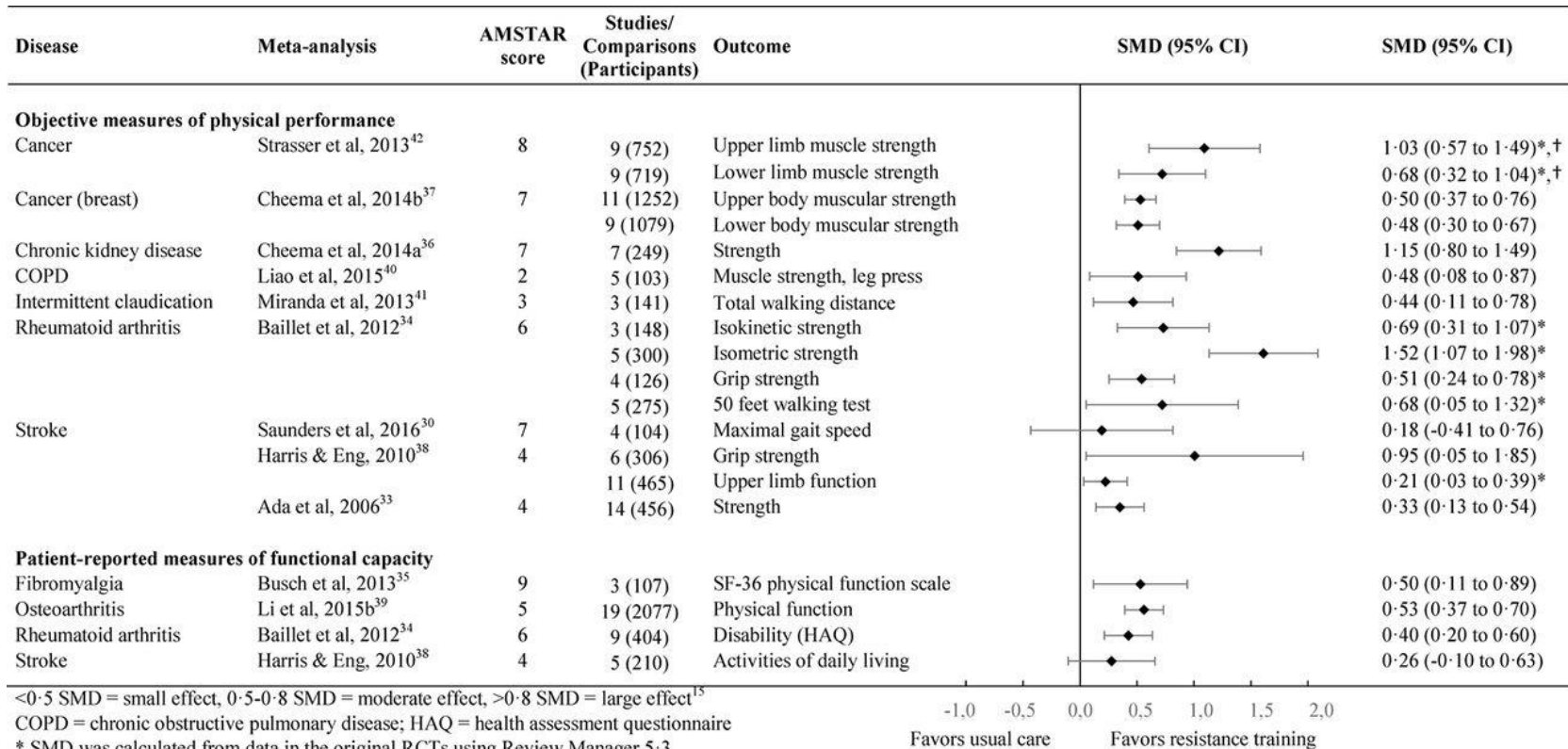
Another important condition for clinical application is to designate a disease code in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD). There is a need to raise awareness of sarcopenia as a new disease. Since the National Institutes of Health publicized osteoporosis as a disease in 1984 and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the use of osteoporosis medications, awareness has been in development about

□ **Background**

□ **Key points**

- *We are getting older and in UK, health span has been reduced since 2012*
- *Physical activity levels decrease with ageing*
- *Sarcopenia major public health challenge*
- *Physical (in)activity and protein-energy malnutrition key contributing factors to sarcopenia*

Effect of resistance training on functional capacity in chronic diseases.



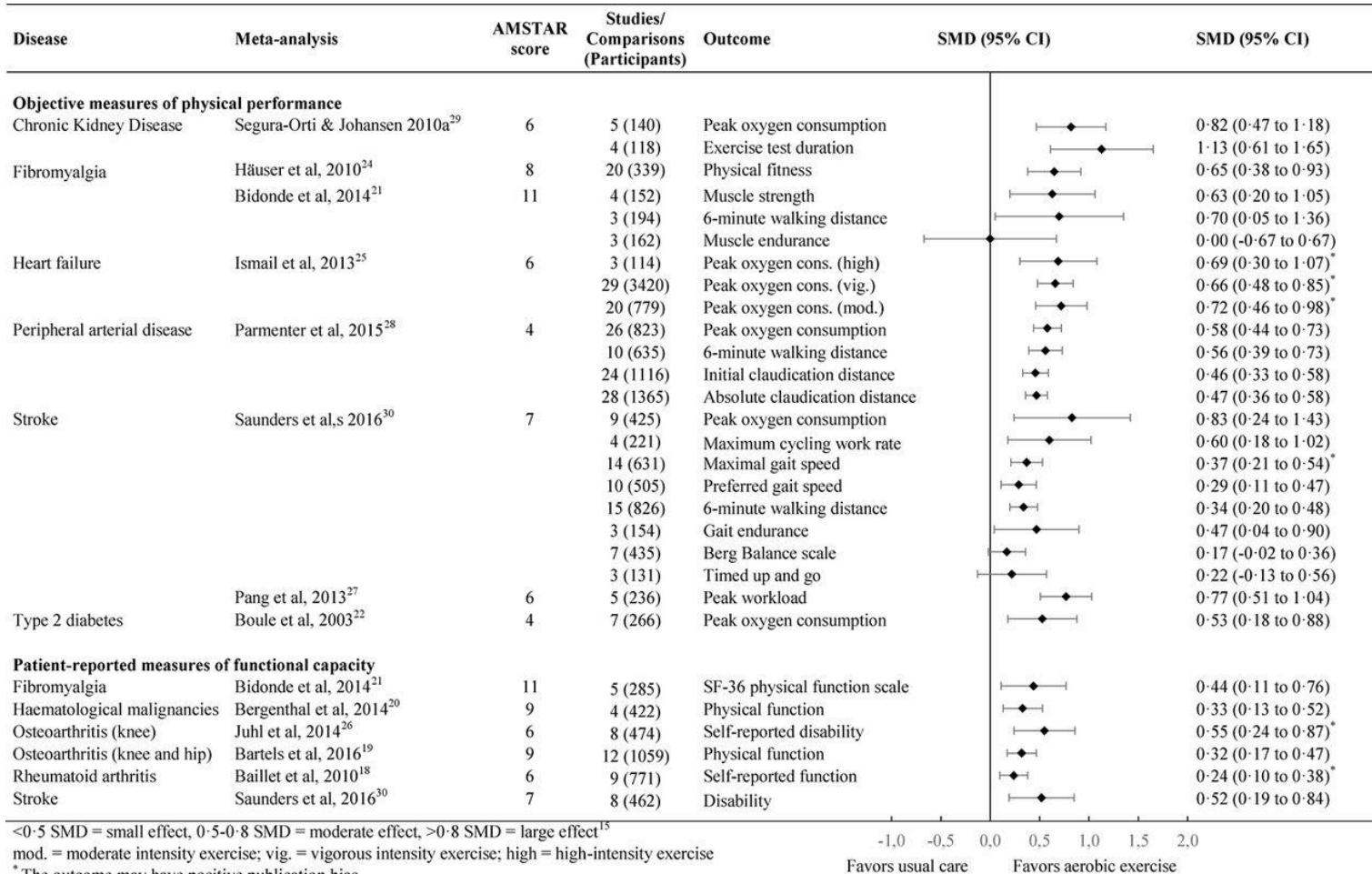
<0.5 SMD = small effect, 0.5-0.8 SMD = moderate effect, >0.8 SMD = large effect¹⁵

COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; HAQ = health assessment questionnaire

* SMD was calculated from data in the original RCTs using Review Manager 5.3

† The outcome may have positive publication bias

Effect of aerobic exercise on functional capacity in chronic diseases.

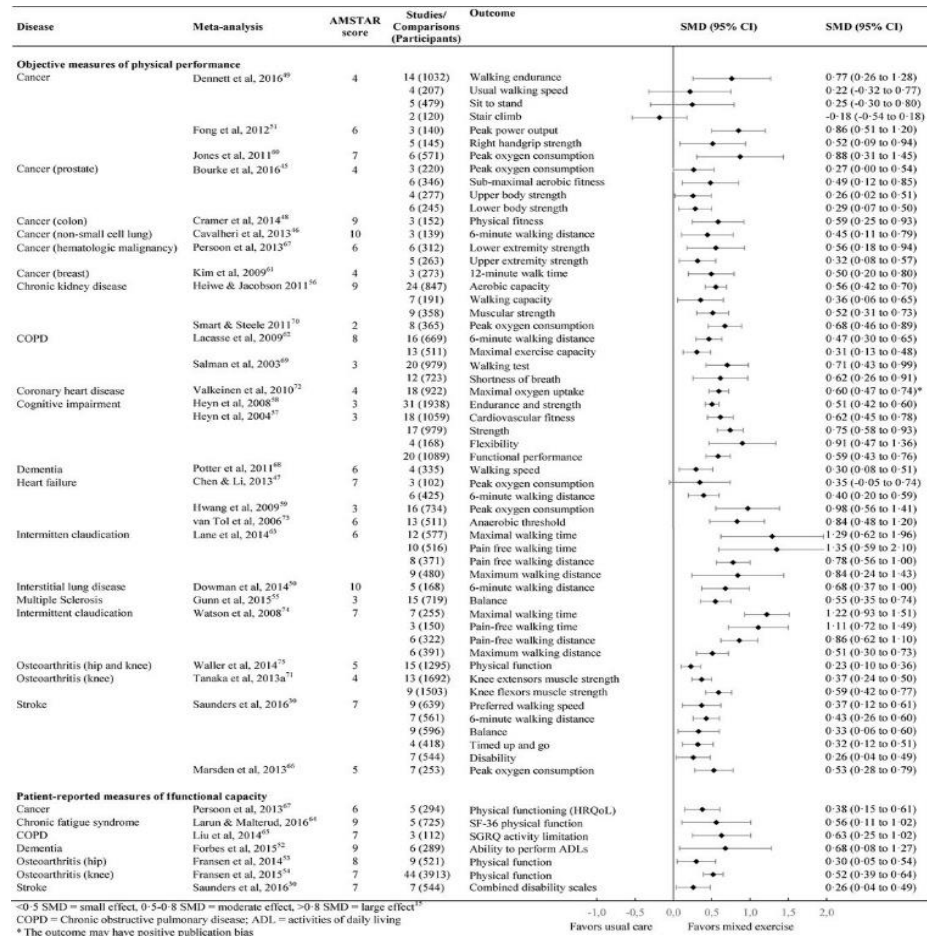


**Pasanen
et al.
(2017)**

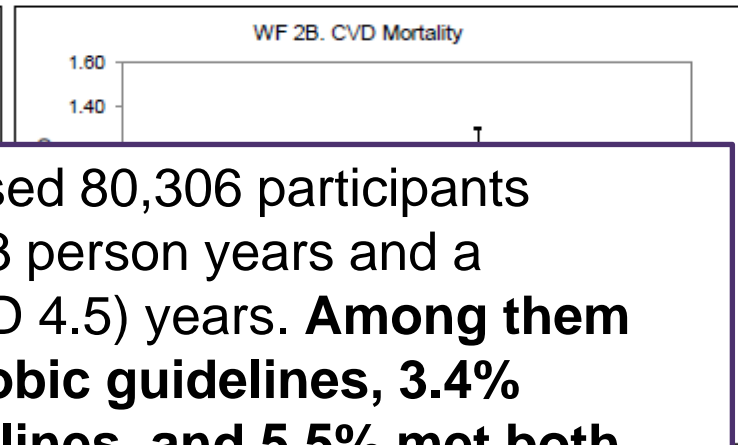
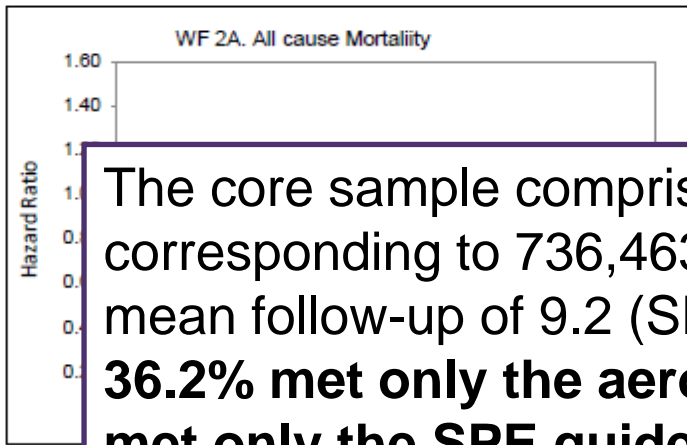
<0.5 SMD = small effect, 0.5-0.8 SMD = moderate effect, >0.8 SMD = large effect¹⁵
 mod. = moderate intensity exercise; vig. = vigorous intensity exercise; high = high-intensity exercise
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-1.0 -0.5 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0
 Favors usual care Favors aerobic exercise

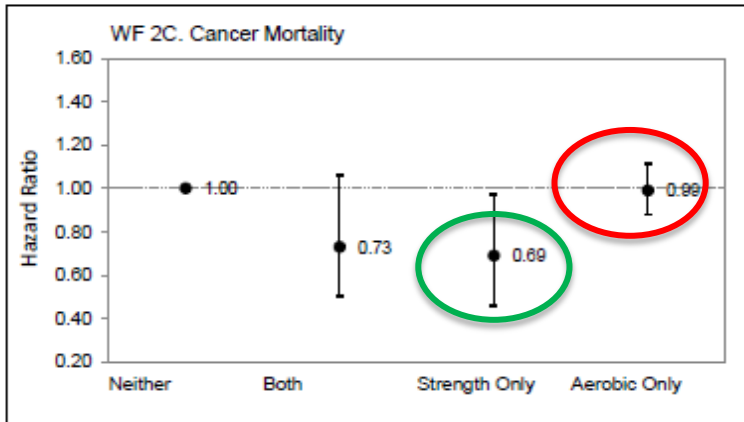
Effect of combined endurance and RE on functional capacity in chronic diseases.



Pasanen et al. (2017)

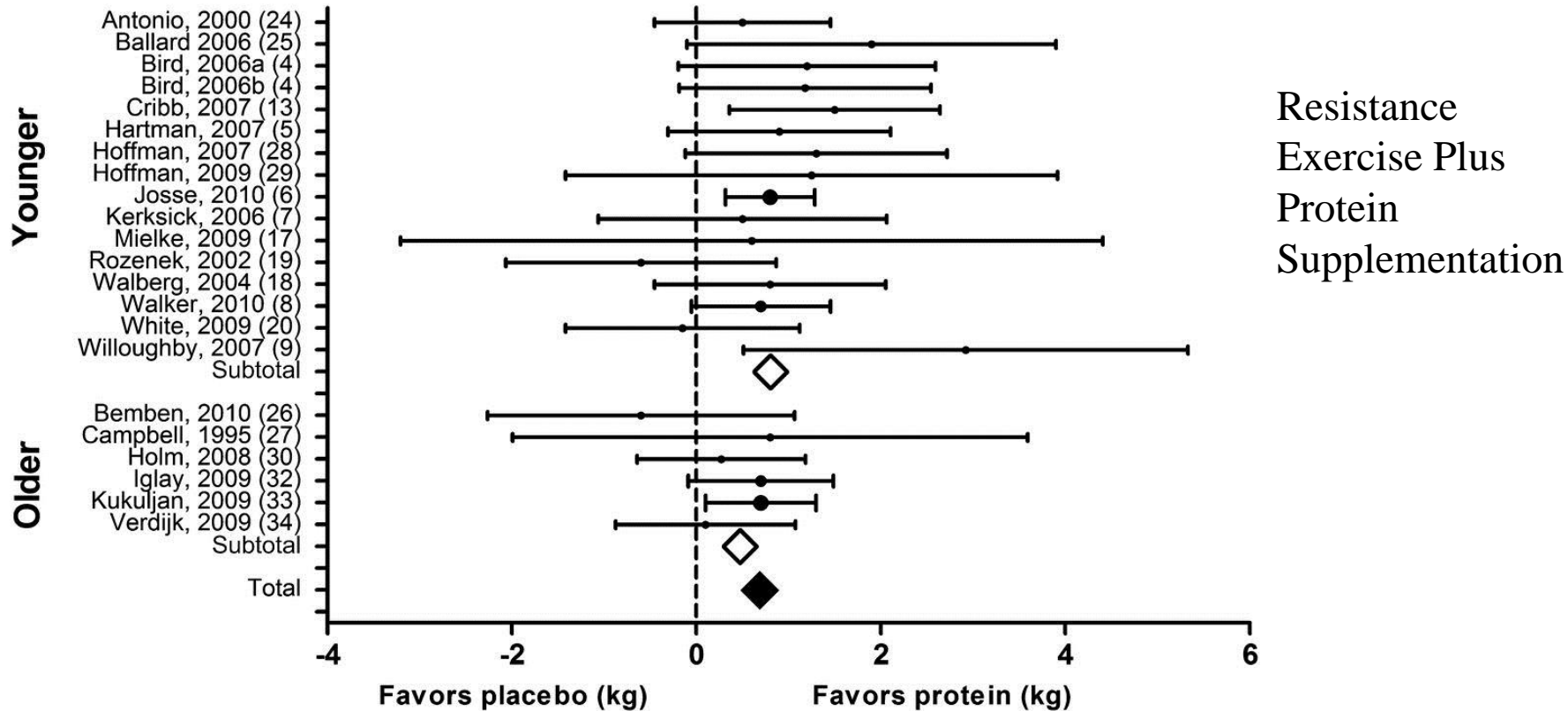


The core sample comprised 80,306 participants corresponding to 736,463 person years and a mean follow-up of 9.2 (SD 4.5) years. **Among them 36.2% met only the aerobic guidelines, 3.4% met only the SPE guidelines, and 5.5% met both.**

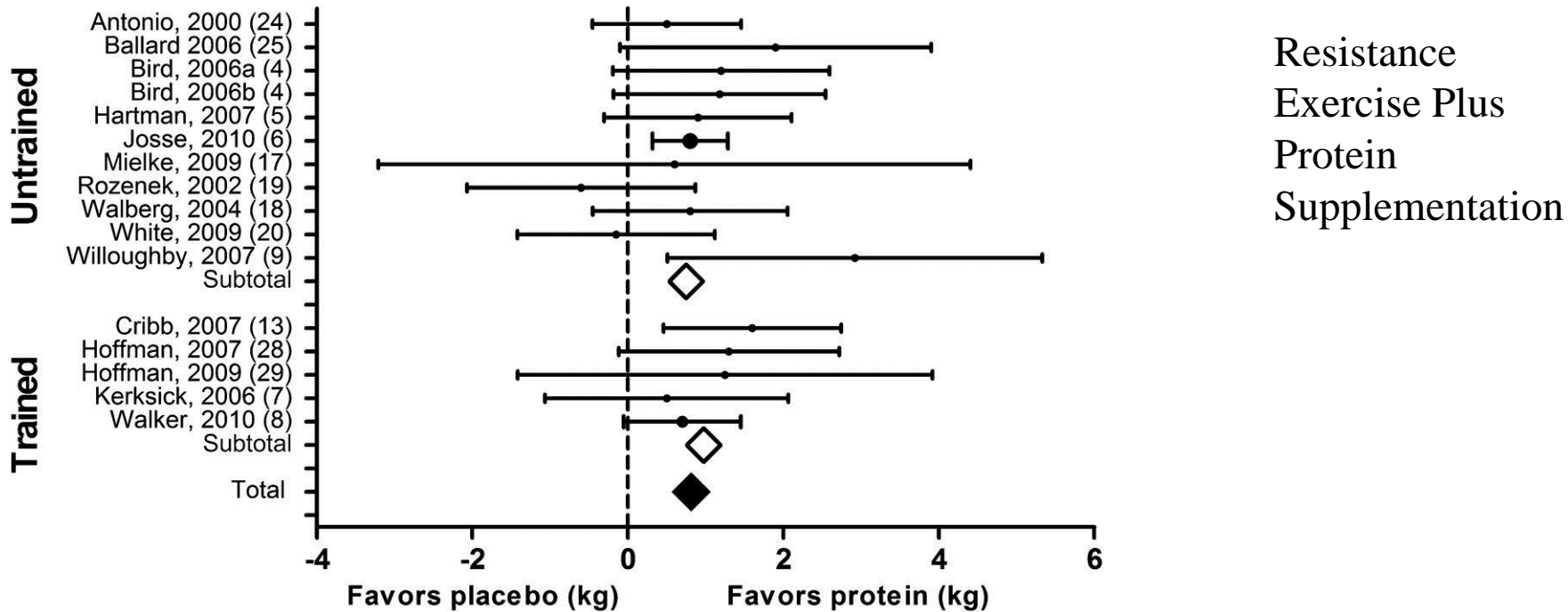


Fascinating data by Stamatakis et al. (2017) (Health Survey for England (HSE) and Scottish Health Survey (SHS) from 1994 – 2008.

Does strength promoting exercise confer unique health benefits? A pooled analysis of eleven population cohorts with all-cause, cancer, and cardiovascular mortality endpoints.

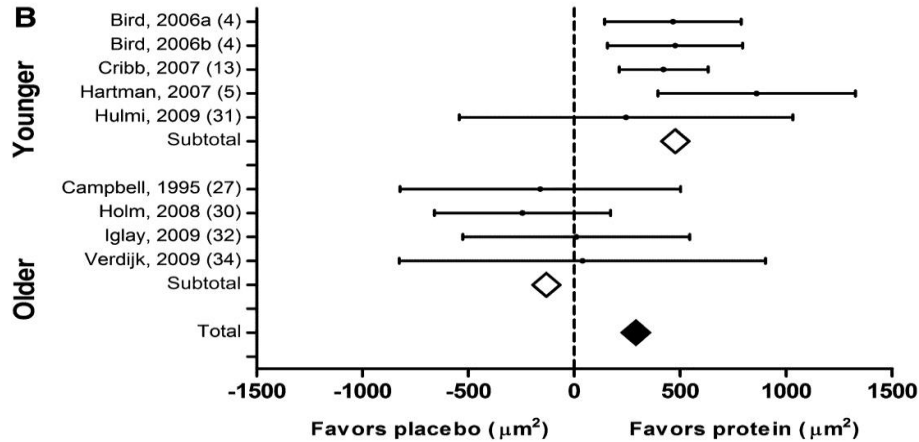
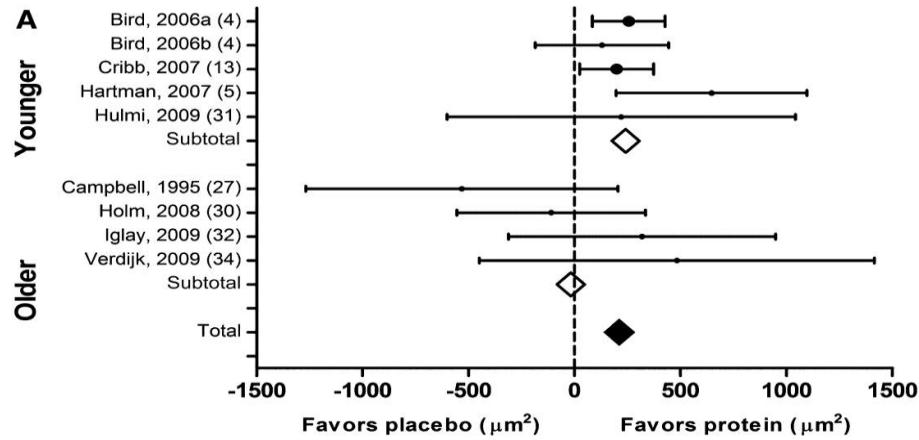


Cermak et al. (2012): Outcome-Fat Free Mass

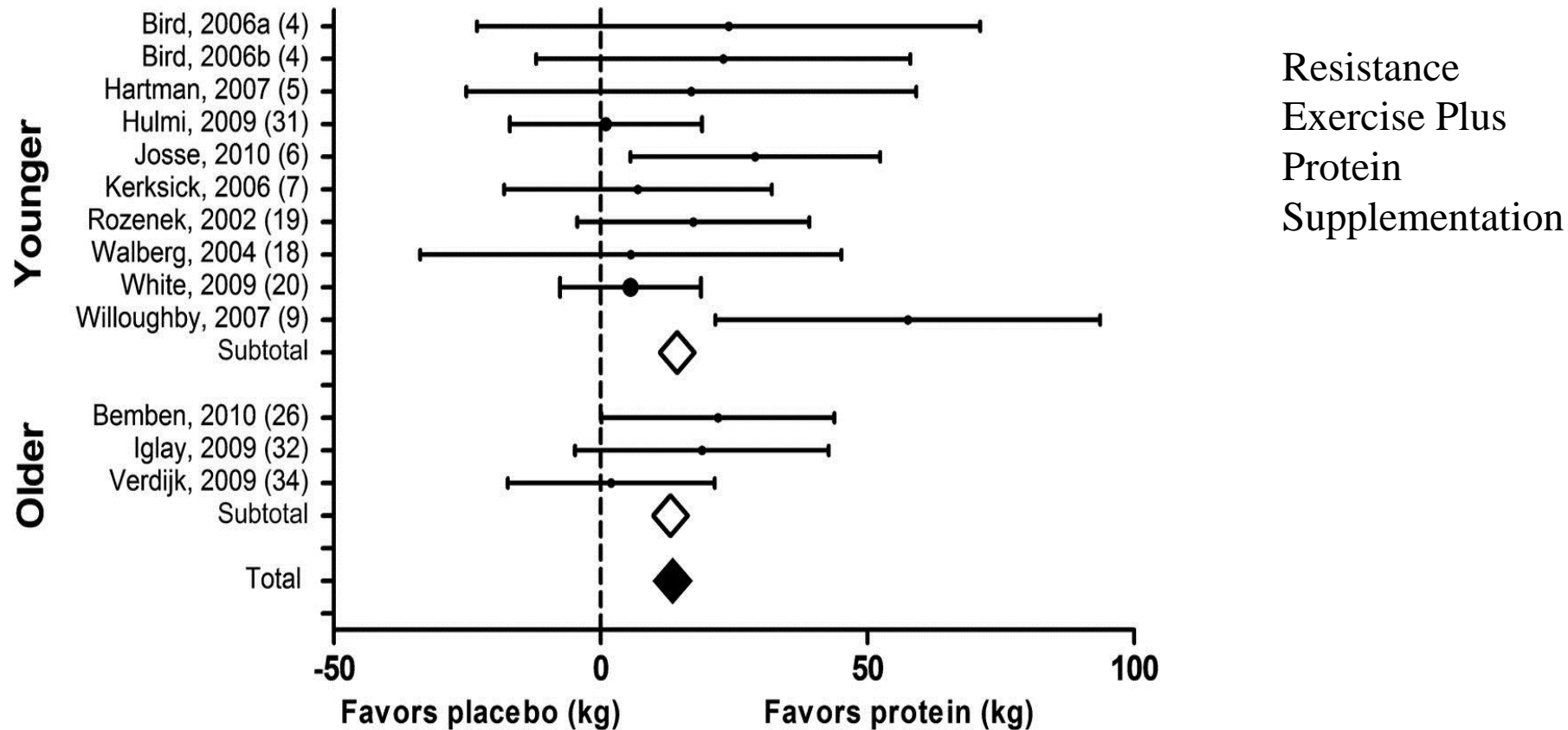


Cermak et al. (2012): Outcome-Fat Free Mass

Resistance
Exercise Plus
Protein
Supplementation



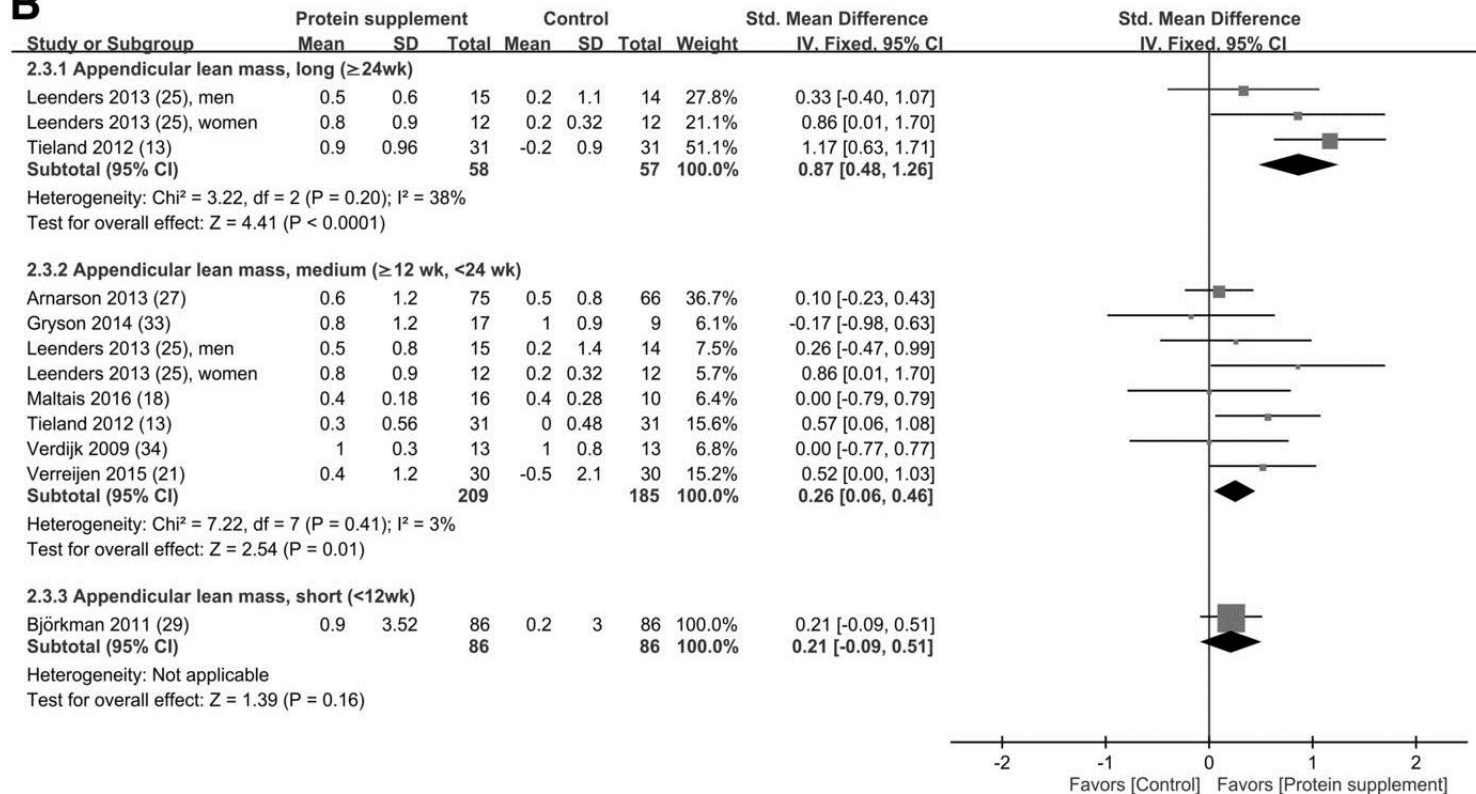
Interestingly, no
effect on Type II
muscle fibres in
Older



Cermak et al. (2012): Outcome-1RM Strength

Duration of training intervention important!

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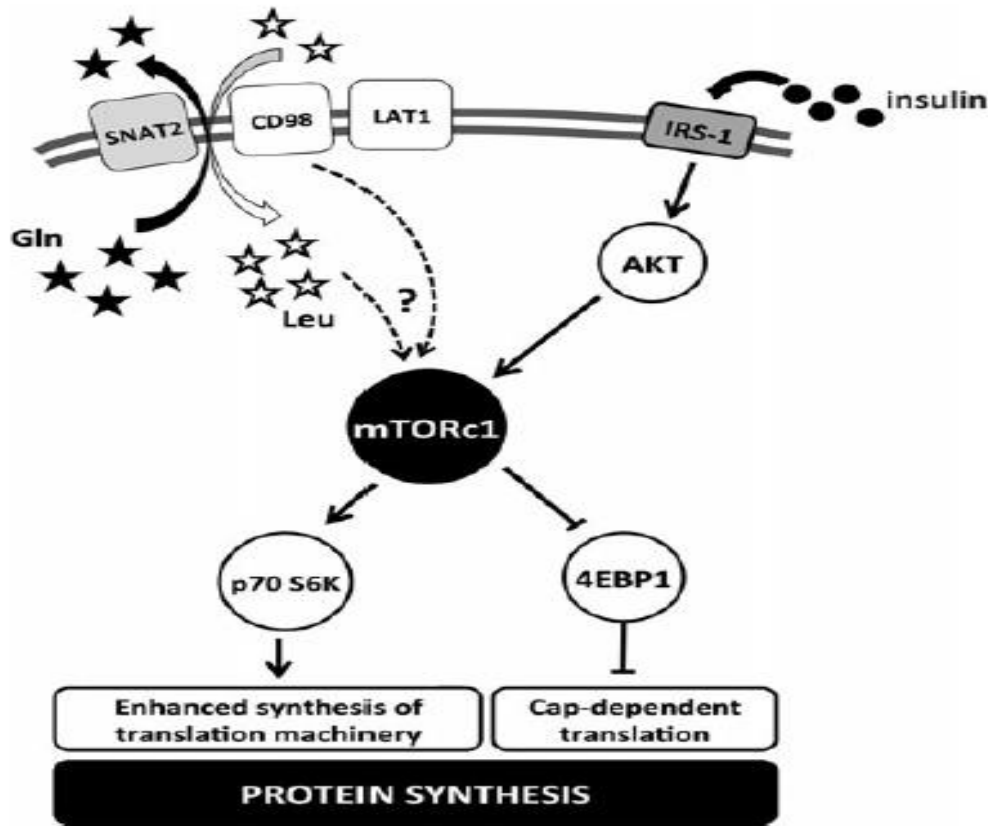


Chun-De Liao (2017): Outcome-Appendicular Lean Tissue Mass

Exercise and Nutrition Modifiable Risk Factors

Key points

- Good Evidence for the role of **Resistance exercise (RE) and Protein Supplementation** as a means to promote muscle and bone health and improve functional outcomes.*
- Physical activity (PA), aerobic and resistance exercise work! Resistance exercise even better with regards to mortality risk reduction!!*
- Resistance exercise + protein supplementation works even better*
- Avoid long periods of time sitting but if you do ensure you counteract by completing at ~70 min of moderate PA*
- DO NOT** forget to complete RE at least twice weekly!*

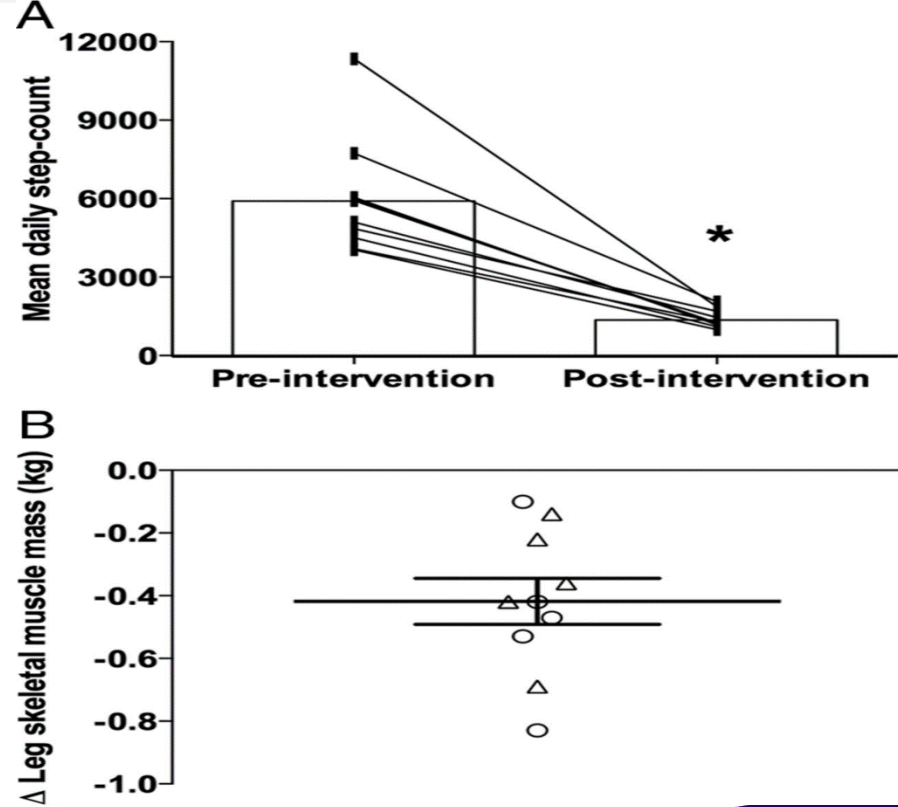


“Muscle anabolic response to a given amount of protein may decline with age, a phenomenon that has been **termed anabolic resistance**”

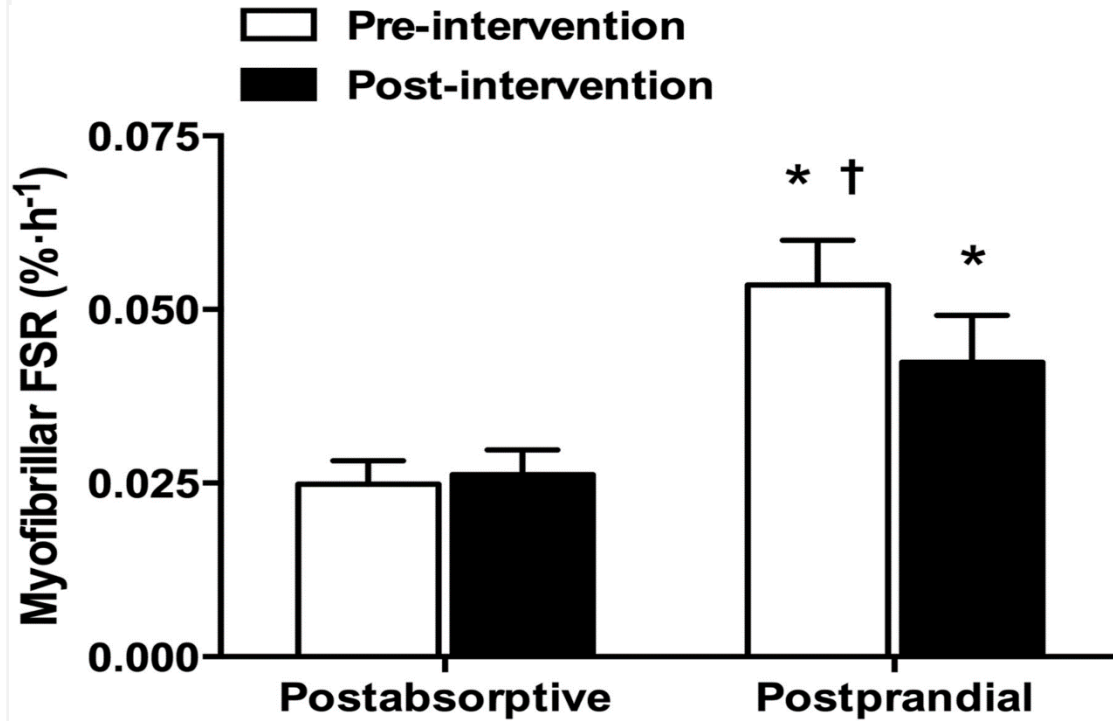
Anabolic resistance (Murton, 2015)

Reducing daily step-count by 76 % for 14 d, from **5900** to ~ **1400** steps daily, was shown to:

- ✓ reduce leg FFM by **3-9 %** and
- ✓ attenuate the rise in postprandial **MPS** rates by 26 %, independent of mTORC1 signalling.



Bed-rest and muscle disuse (Breen et al. 2013)



From: Two Weeks of Reduced Activity Decreases Leg Lean Mass and Induces “Anabolic Resistance” of Myofibrillar Protein Synthesis in Healthy Elderly

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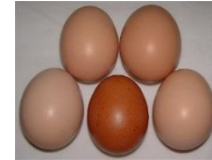
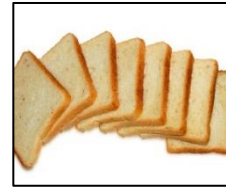


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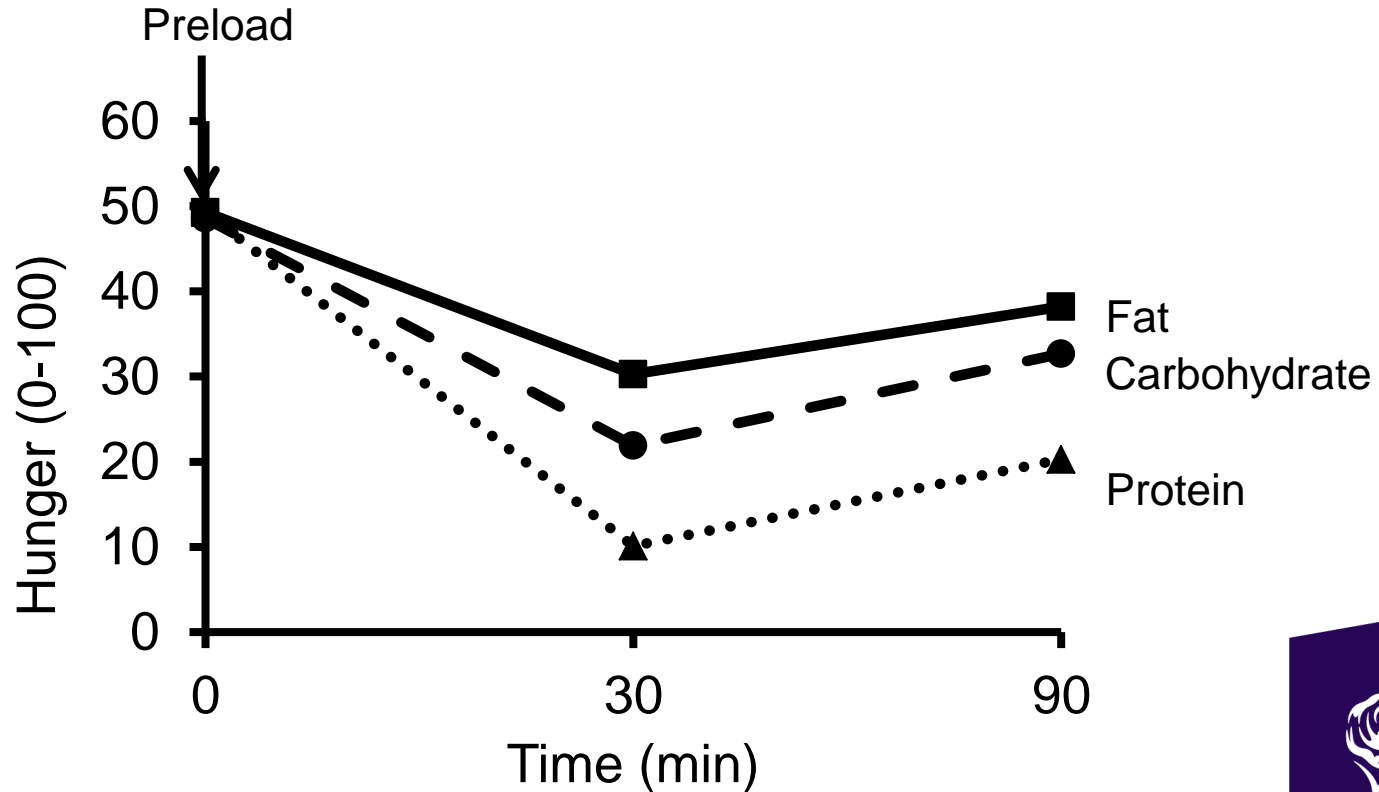
Protein Intake in Older Individuals

- Daily recommendations of $0.8 \text{ g}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}\cdot\text{BM}\cdot\text{d}^{-1}$ inadequate **is too low** to avoid sarcopenia
- Need for higher protein per meal-at least 30g or $0.4 \text{ g}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}\cdot\text{BM}\cdot\text{d}^{-1}$ per meal
- **Challenge:** age-related anorexia and satiating effects of protein

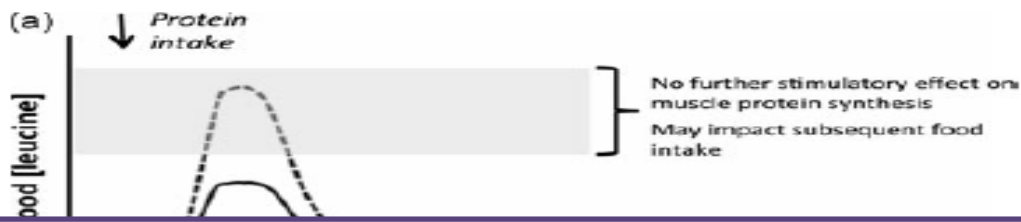
This is what 30g protein looks like.....



Protein is the most satiating macronutrient



Poppitt et al., 1998. *Physiol Behav* 64: 279-85.



Older individuals **have a higher leucine threshold** and they would benefit from larger amounts of leucine either within a meal or as a protein/EAAs supplement (Katsanos et al., 2006, Bauer et al., 2015, Ispoglou et al., 2016, Phillips et al., 2016, Komar et al., 2015, Yang et al., 2012, Pennings et al., 2011, Verreijen et al., 2015).

Total protein intake, **protein intake per meal**, or **leucine intake**

Table 2. Dietary protein intake of community-dwelling, frail and institutionalized elderly people distributed throughout the day.

Protein Intake	Breakfast			Morning Snack			Lunch			Afternoon Snack			Dinner			Evening Snack		
	CD	Frail	INST	CD	Frail	INST	CD	Frail	INST	CD	Frail	INST	CD	Frail	INST	CD	Frail	INST
Protein intake (g/day)	11 (7)	10 (7)	12 (7)	3 (4)	3 (4)	2 (3)	22 (13)	18 (10)	15 (8)	4 (6)	4 (6)	3 (4)	27 (13)	31 (15)	24 (12)	5 (6)	5 (7)	2 (4)
Protein intake (% of total protein intake)	16%	14%	21%	4%	5%	3%	31%	26%	25%	5%	5%	6%	38%	43%	41%	7%	7%	4%
Plant-based protein (g/day)	6 (4)	5 (3)	4 (2)	1 (2)	1 (2)	1 (2)	8 (4)	7 (4)	5 (3)	2 (2)	2 (3)	1 (1)	8 (5)	8 (4)	5 (3)	2 (3)	2 (3)	1 (1)
Animal protein (g/day)	5 (5)	5 (6)	8 (6)	1 (2)	2 (3)	1 (2)	14 (11)	11 (9)	10 (7)	2 (5)	2 (5)	2 (4)	19 (13)	23 (14)	19 (11)	3 (5)	3 (5)	1 (3)

Values are means \pm SD; CD: Community-dwelling elderly; INST: Institutionalized elderly.

Meal per Meal Protein Intake



Older people do not eat enough protein per meal—especially at breakfast and lunch. Green line indicates recommendations (unpublished PhD data)

- ❑ Nutritional interventions can have a significant impact on reducing rates of sarcopenia with protein and essential amino-acids crucial in maintaining muscle.
- ❑ In older people, current **protein recommendations are considered far below** the actual requirements while those individuals **have higher leucine threshold**.
- ❑ **Therefore, specially formulated oral nutritional supplements may address energy and protein deficits**
- ❑ When considering the satiating effects of EAAs-based nutritional supplements enriched with leucine, no studies have examined the impact on appetite and concurrent mealtime intake nor the practical aspects of palatability

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Pilot study (Ispoglou et al. 2016)



Table 1. Composition of essential amino-acid mixtures per 100 g

<i>Amino acids</i>	<i>Standard essential amino-acid mixture containing 20% leucine</i>	<i>Modified essential amino-acid mixture containing 40% leucine</i>
Histidine	10	5
Isoleucine	11	11
Leucine	20	40
Lysine	15	12
Methionine	3	2
Phenylalanine	15	7
Threonine	14	11
Valine	12	12

Protocol

Subjects received one of the following daily:

- (A) Standard EAA mixture (20% leucine)
- (B) Modified EAA mixture (40% leucine)
- (C) Isocaloric placebo (lactose).

The supplementation period was 3 months and it was in accordance with EWGSOP recommendations. Primary outcomes were total lean mass and physical performance. Measurements were taken at baseline and immediately post intervention. A standardised health screening and a pre-exercise screening questionnaire, blood pressure, resting heart rate and oxygen saturation levels were taken at each time point.

Leucine enriched modified EAA's mixture

Table 3. Assessment of body composition at baseline and at the end of the intervention period^a

Body composition variables	Group A (n = 8)				Group B (n = 8)				Group C (n = 9)		
	Baseline	Week 12	%	ES	Baseline	Week 12	%	ES	Baseline	Week 12	%
Total LTM (kg)	44.8 ± 7.1	44.8 ± 7.2	0.2 ± 2.4	-0.4	45.5 ± 8.9	46.0 ± 9.1 ^b	1.1 ± 1.1	0.2	42.6 ± 8.9	43.0 ± 9.3	0.8 ± 1.3
Total FM (kg)	27.8 ± 11.4	28.5 ± 11.2	4.3 ± 6.7	0.4	25.6 ± 6.2	25.7 ± 6.0	0.5 ± 2.6	-0.2	24.9 ± 9.9	25.1 ± 9.7	1.5 ± 6.3
Percentage BF (%)	36.0 ± 10.5	36.7 ± 9.7	3.3 ± 6.1	0.5	34.8 ± 6.6	34.7 ± 6.5	-0.4 ± 2.1	-0.2	35.2 ± 11.2	35.2 ± 11.0	0.4 ± 4.7
Total BMC (kg)	2.6 ± 0.5	2.6 ± 0.5	0.1 ± 1.4	-0.3	2.5 ± 0.6	2.5 ± 0.6	0.0 ± 1.0	-0.4	2.4 ± 0.5	2.4 ± 0.5	0.4 ± 1.0
Total BMD (g/cm ²)	1.1 ± 0.1	1.1 ± 0.1	0.2 ± 1.2	0.5	1.1 ± 0.2	1.1 ± 0.2	0.3 ± 1.6	0.5	1.1 ± 0.1	1.1 ± 0.1	-0.4 ± 1.1

Abbreviations: A, standard essential amino-acid mixture (containing 20% leucine); B, modified amino-acid mixture (containing 40% leucine); C, placebo; BMC, bone mineral content; BMD, bone mineral density; BF, body fat; ES, Effect Size; FM, fat mass; LTM, bone mineral-free lean tissue mass; %, mean percentage change from baseline to week 12. ^aAll values are means ± standard deviations. ^bDenotes significantly different from baseline value ($P < 0.05$). ME = mean of the experimental group, MP = mean of the placebo group. ES Cohen's $d = (ME-MP)/SD$ pooled).

- We have shown the **benefits** of supplementing diets of older people with EAAs enriched with leucine.
- One of the issues we faced was that participants managed only **75-85%** of prescribed dosage.



Follow-up study (Ispoglou et al. 2017)

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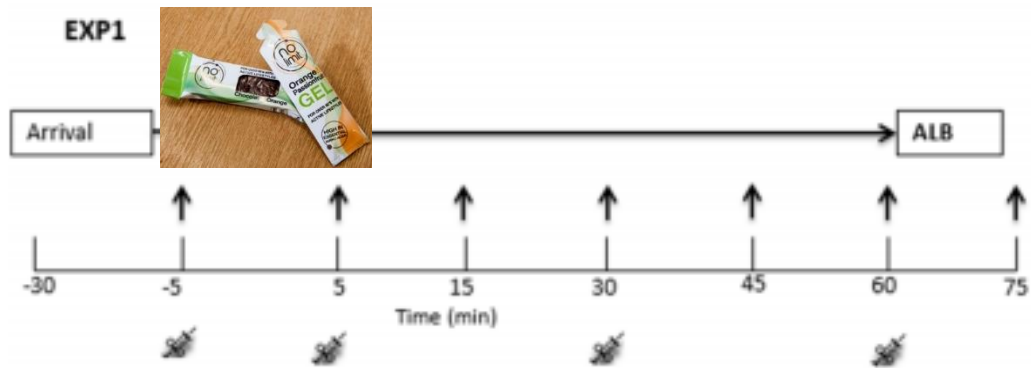
Development of prototypes (Bar and gel)

Nutritional information per 100 g:

-BAR: energy 1511 kJ, fat 8.2 g, carbohydrate 47.5 g, protein 25.4 g of which 15 g was EAAs, fibre 2.8 g, salt 0.2 g.

-GEL: energy 967 kJ, fat 0.0 g, carbohydrate 47.5 g, protein 15 g which was entirely due to the EAAs content, fibre 0.5 g, salt 0.2 g.





EXP2

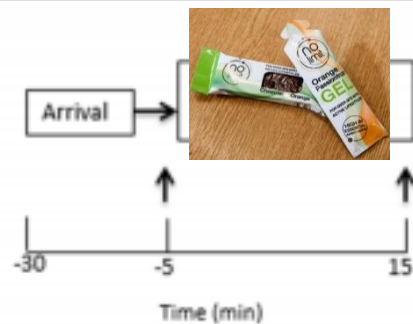


Fig. 1 A schematic representation of the design for experiment one (EXP1) and two (EXP2). The three conditions consisted of either a bar (BAR), gel (GEL), or nothing (CON). Black arrows = appetite rating assessment; syringe picture = blood samples. Ad libitum breakfast (ALB)

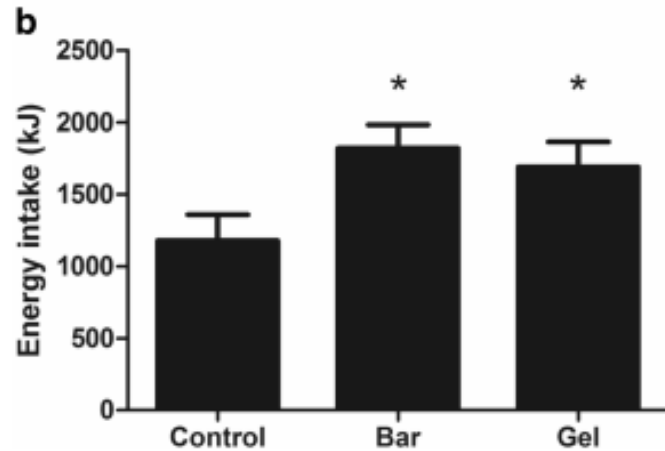
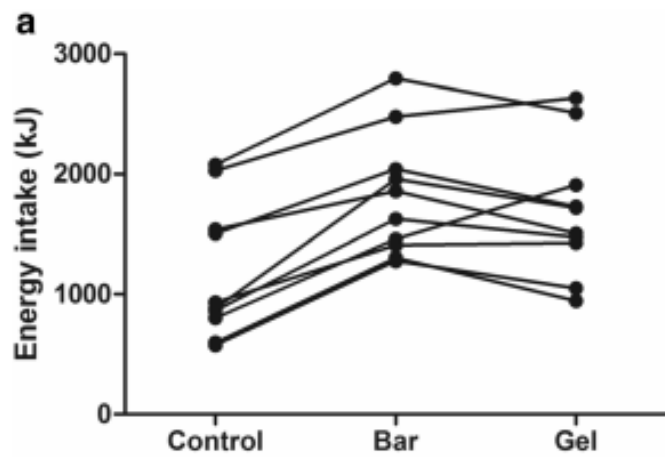


Fig. 2 Total energy intake in the control, bar and gel trials (experiment one). Data are displayed as individual responses (a) and mean (SEM) (b), $n = 10$

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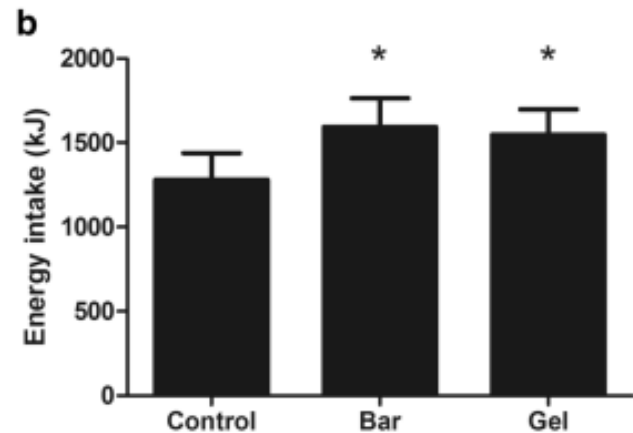
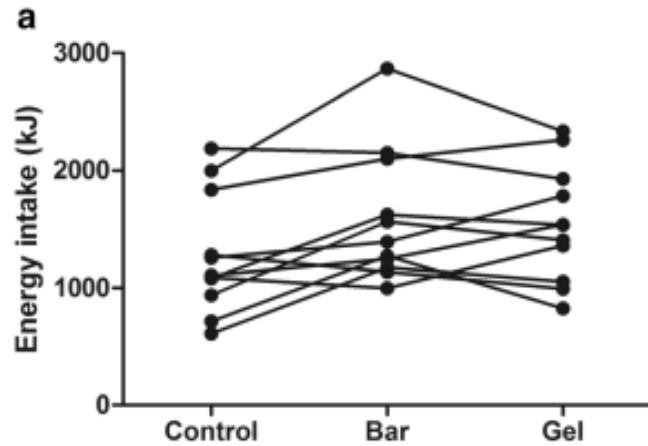
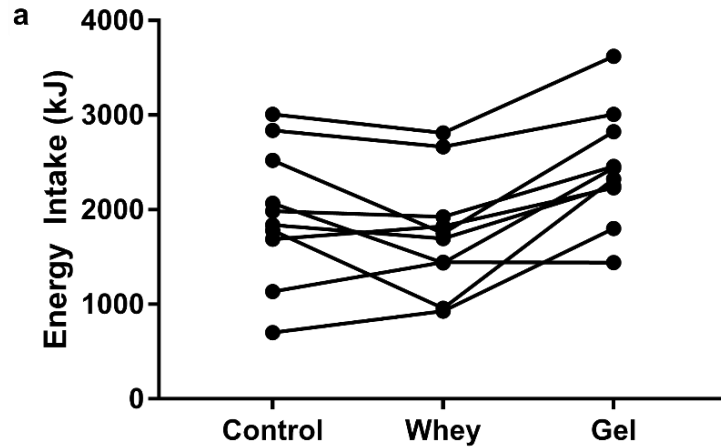
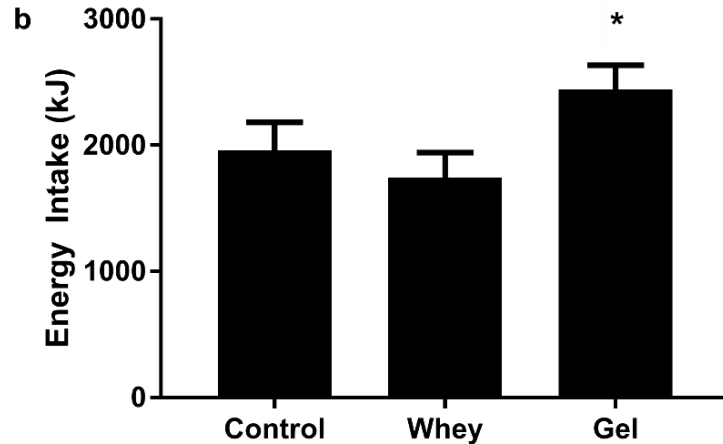


Fig. 5 Total energy intake in the control, bar and gel trials (experiment two). Data are displayed as individual responses (a) and mean (SEM) (b), $n = 11$

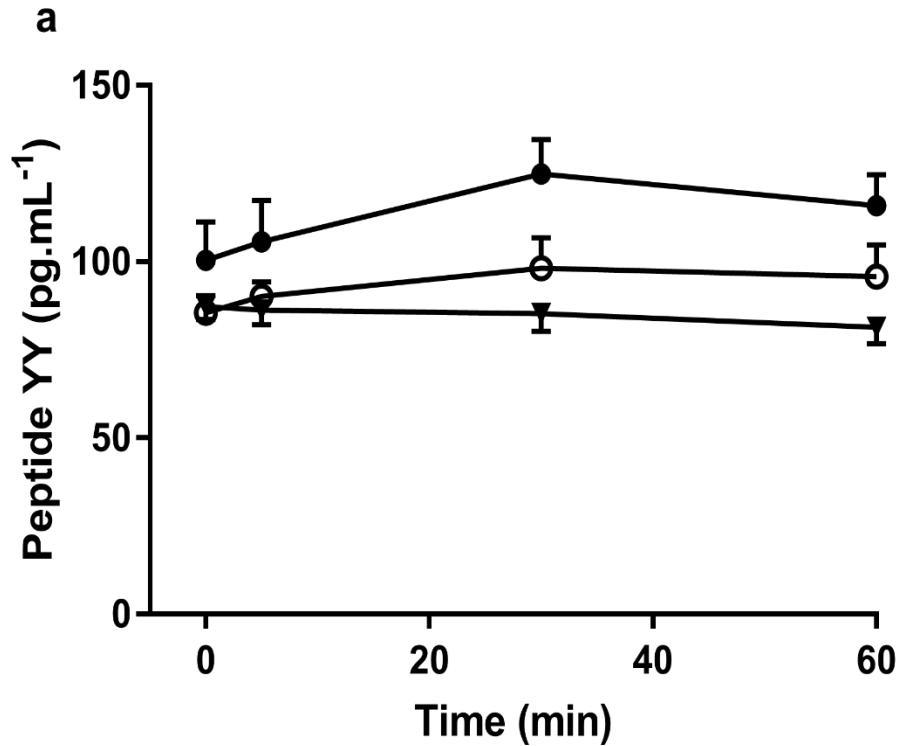
Our nutritional prototypes (GEL and BAR) are effective means to facilitate an increase in protein and energy intake when taken alongside an ad lib breakfast meal. Ispoglou et al (2017)



Our GEL is effective means to facilitate an increase in protein and energy intake when taken one hour before an ad lib breakfast meal.



PhD Project (Unpublished data-in process of publication)



The current gold standard (whey protein) enhances satiety and as a result people eat less

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Challenges in older people

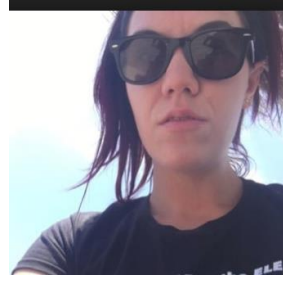
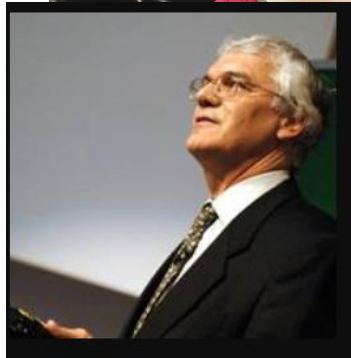
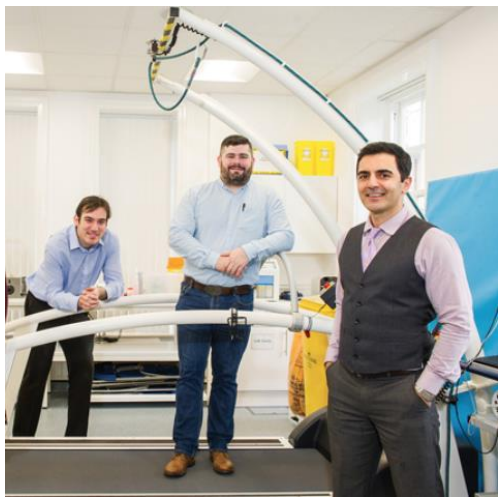
Key Points

- Short term inactivity detrimental to muscle mass and function. Development of anabolic resistance***
- Current protein recommendations inadequate. Need at least 1.2 g/kg/bm daily, more protein per meal, and more leucine!***
- Age-related anorexia. Dietary protein and protein supplements enhance satiety***
- Use of EAAs dietary supplements may be a necessity in certain groups***

Our current and future research is primarily focused on strengthening evidence base of non-pharmacological interventions on:

- **Health and wellbeing:** Prevention of sarcopenia in healthy older individuals contributing to retention of lean tissue mass, prevention of osteoporosis and enhanced functional capacity.
- **Clinical settings:** Treatment of sarcopenia in frail older individuals in chronic disease conditions such as respiratory, rheumatoid arthritis, diabetes, CHD and CF, liver and gastrointestinal disease, where increased protein requirements may be a result of enhanced requirements or malabsorption.

Present and Future



Current Projects

1. **Dr Karen Hind and Dr Theocharis Ispoglou (Mid Career Prize):** “Effects of Exercise and a Leucine and Vitamin D-enriched Essential Amino Acid Supplement on Bone Health in Older Women: a Randomised Controlled Trial”
2. **Matthew Butterworth (PhD):** “Exercise and nutritional based interventions to combat age-related sarcopenia”
3. **Kelsie Johnson (PhD):** “Exercise and Nutritional interventions to improve appetite regulation, body composition and muscle function in older men and women”
4. **Matthew Lees (PhD):** “The effect of age and physical (in)activity on the anabolic resistance to essential amino acids and exercise in elderly populations”
5. **Panos Ferentinos (PhD):** “Acute and Chronic effects of different exercise modalities in ageing population: The role of endothelial progenitor cells on endothelial function”
6. **Linsey King (PhD):** “Clinical trial to investigate the effectiveness of the nutritional prototypes we developed in clinical settings, Bronchiectasis patients”
7. **Chelsea Moore (PhD):** “Audit of Cardiac Rehab Programme in UK ; endothelial function, physical activity levels and dietary intakes”



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