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La Sarcopenia Definizione, Patogenesi e Trattamento

L'approccio Nutrizionale e Farmacologico

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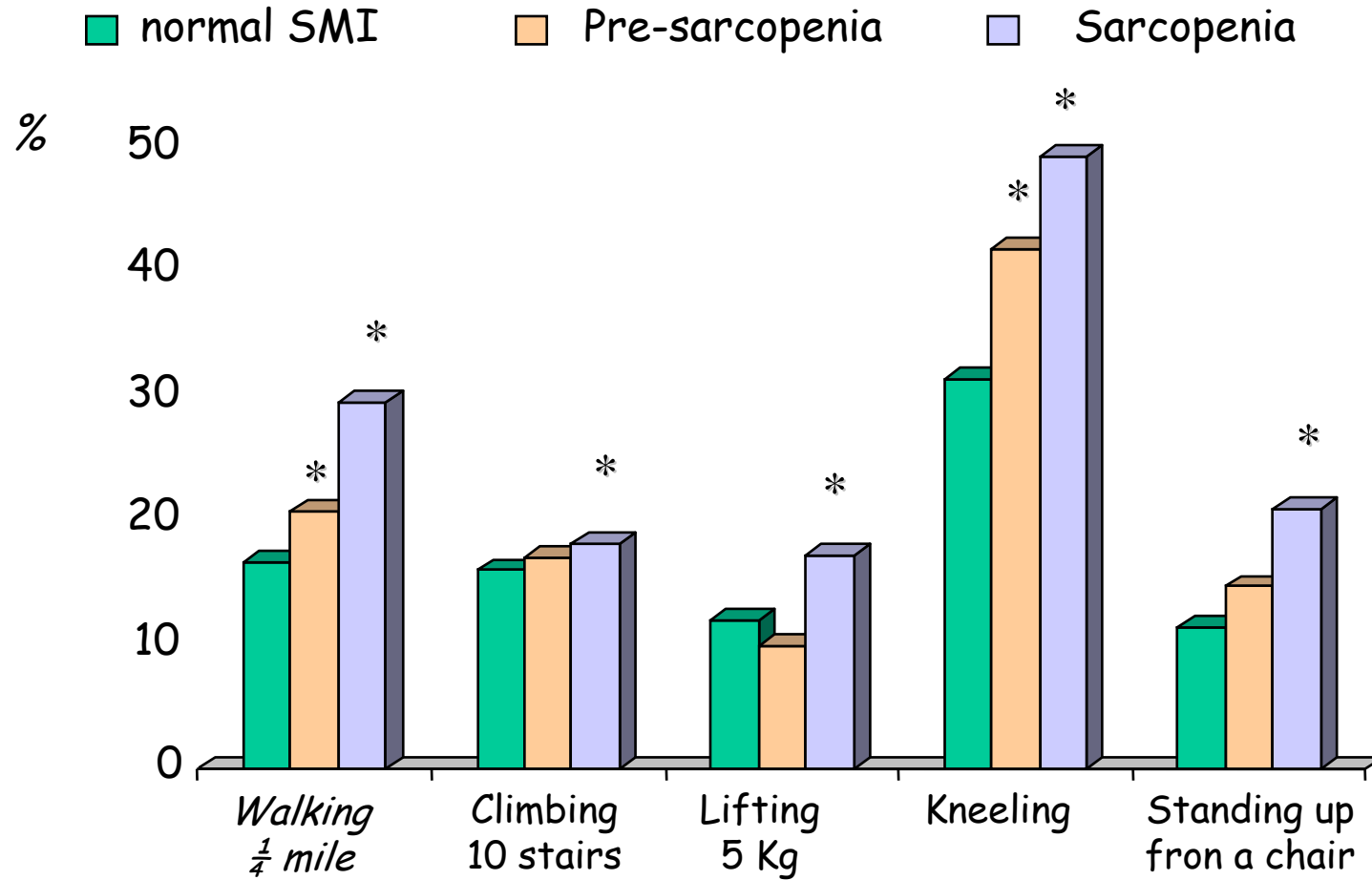
Why to identify Sarcopenia ?

“Sarcopenia is becoming recognized as a major cause of disability and morbidity in the elderly population”.

Roubenoff and Hughes, 2000

Functional impairment according to skeletal muscle index

NHANES III (n = 2224 men older than 60 years)



Predictors of worsening disability during the follow-up period 5.5 years (160 subjects older 70)

Basal Appendicular FFM

Basal FM

Age

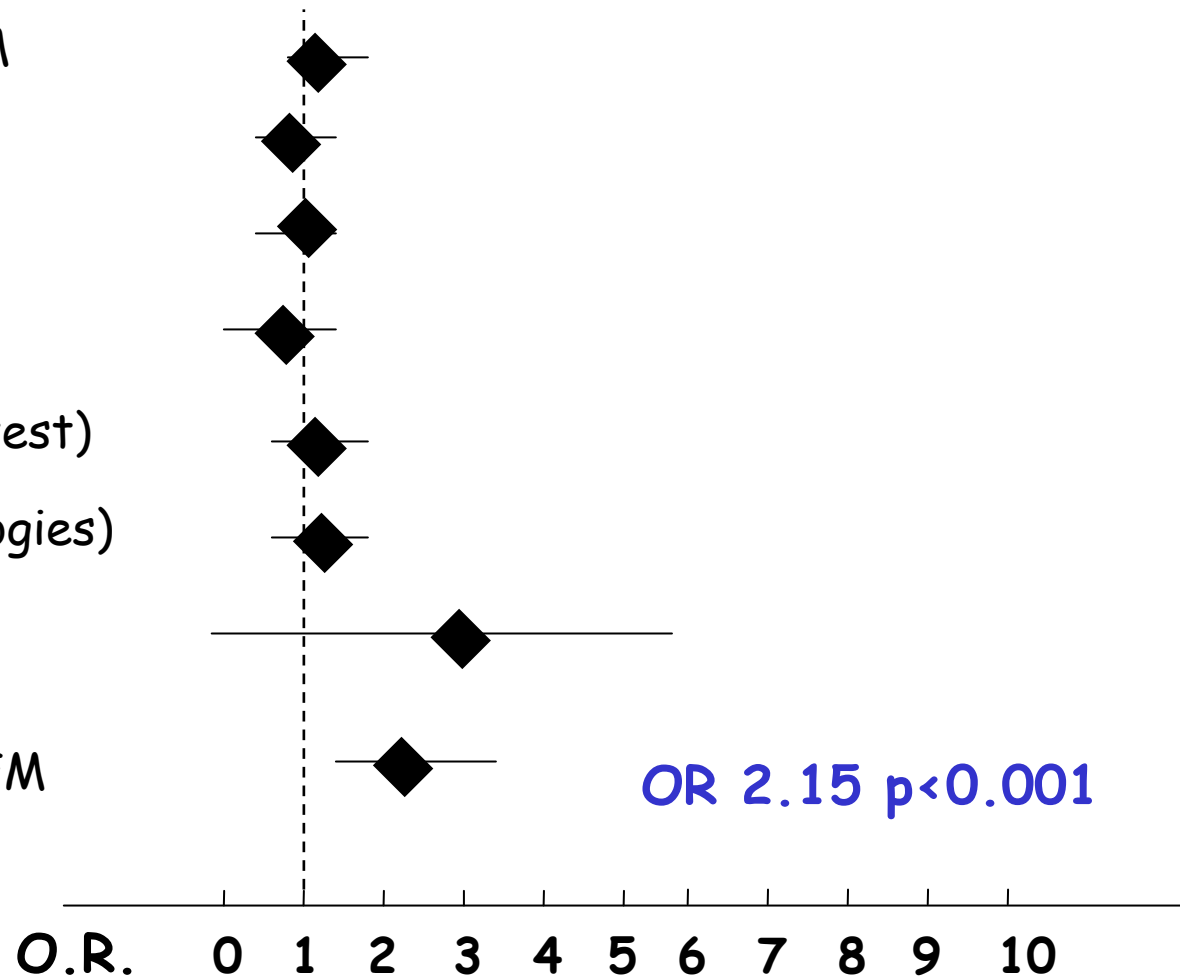
Basal BMI

Meters (6 min walking test)

Comorbidity (n of pathologies)

Gender

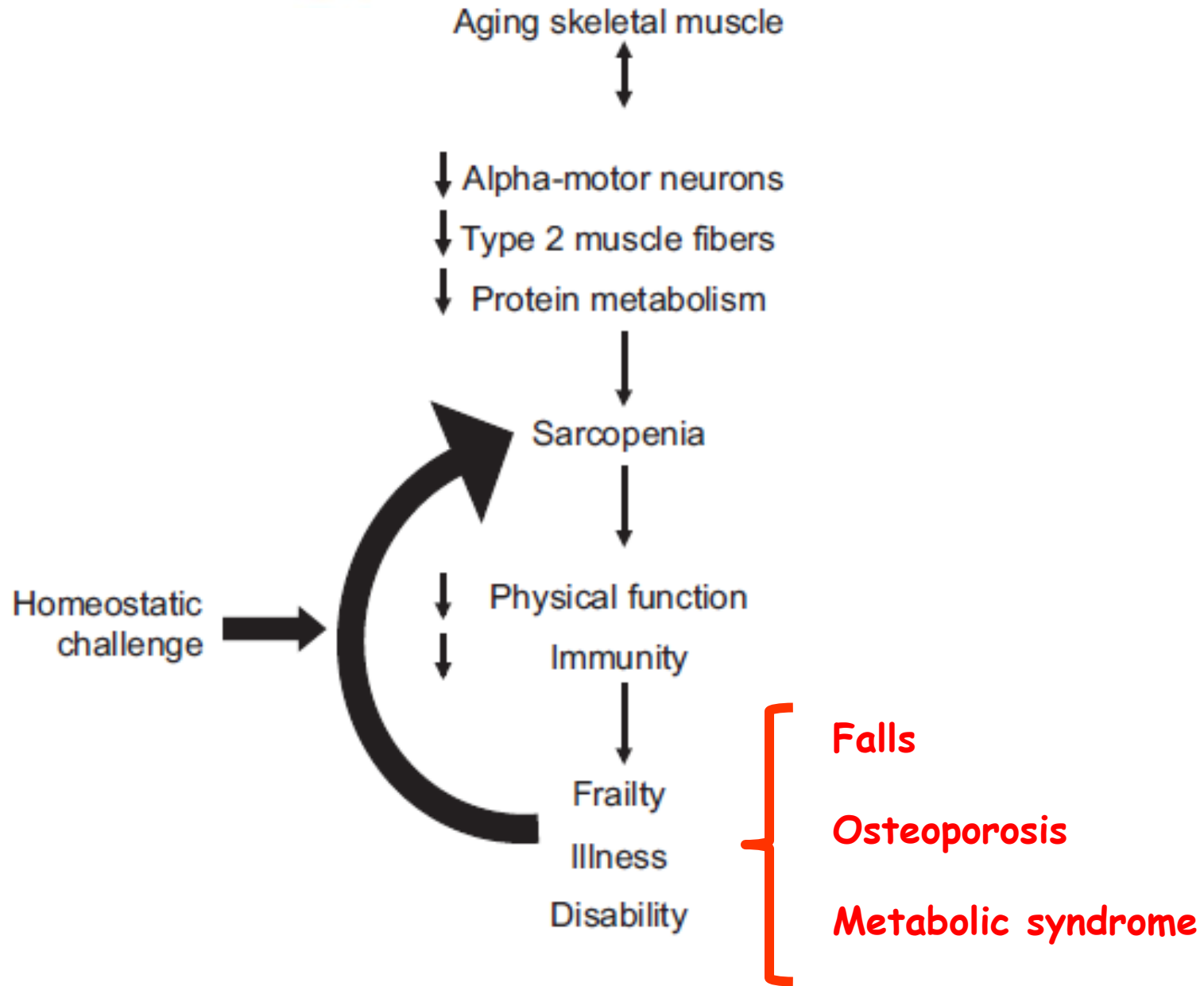
Loss of appendicular FFM



Fantin et al, 2007



Clinical Interventions in Aging



Sarcopenia and mortality risk in frail older persons aged 80 years and older: results from iSIRENTE study

197 subjects living in community
7- years follow up

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	Unadjusted	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3
Hazard ratio (95% confidence interval)				
Sarcopenia	2.95 (1.44–6.04)	2.89 (1.40–5.96)	2.40 (1.07–5.42)	2.32 (1.01–5.43)
Age		1.15 (0.93–1.42)	1.08 (0.85–1.36)	1.12 (0.87–1.43)
Gender (female)		0.55 (0.29–1.03)	0.49 (0.25–0.99)	0.49 (0.23–1.04)
Education			0.87 (0.72–1.04)	0.87 (0.72–1.05)
ADL impairment			1.91 (1.29–2.83)	1.75 (1.20–2.56)
Body mass index			0.92 (0.86–0.99)	0.93 (0.86–1.01)
Hypertension				0.60 (0.26–1.35)
Congestive heart failure				6.71 (0.70–64.1)
COPD				1.46 (0.50–4.21)
Number of diseases				1.29 (0.92–1.80)
TNF- α				0.99 (0.85–1.15)

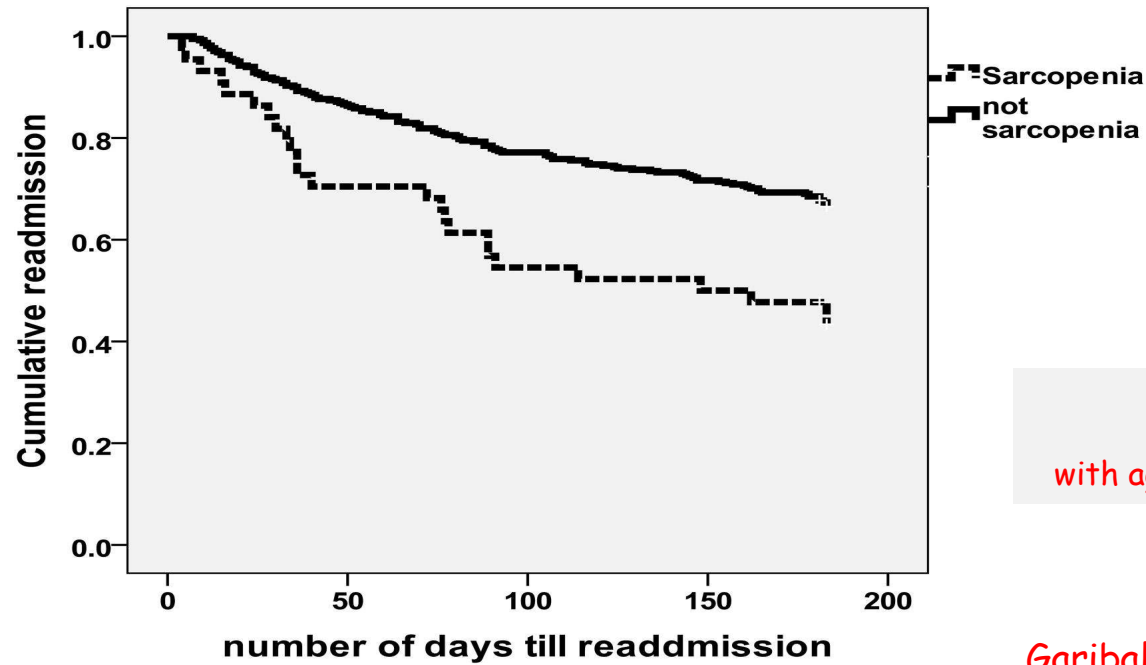
Model 1: adjusted for age, gender.

Model 2: adjusted for age, gender, education, ADL impairment, body mass index.

Model 3: adjusted for age, gender, education, ADL impairment, body mass index, hypertension, congestive heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), number of diseases, TNF- α .

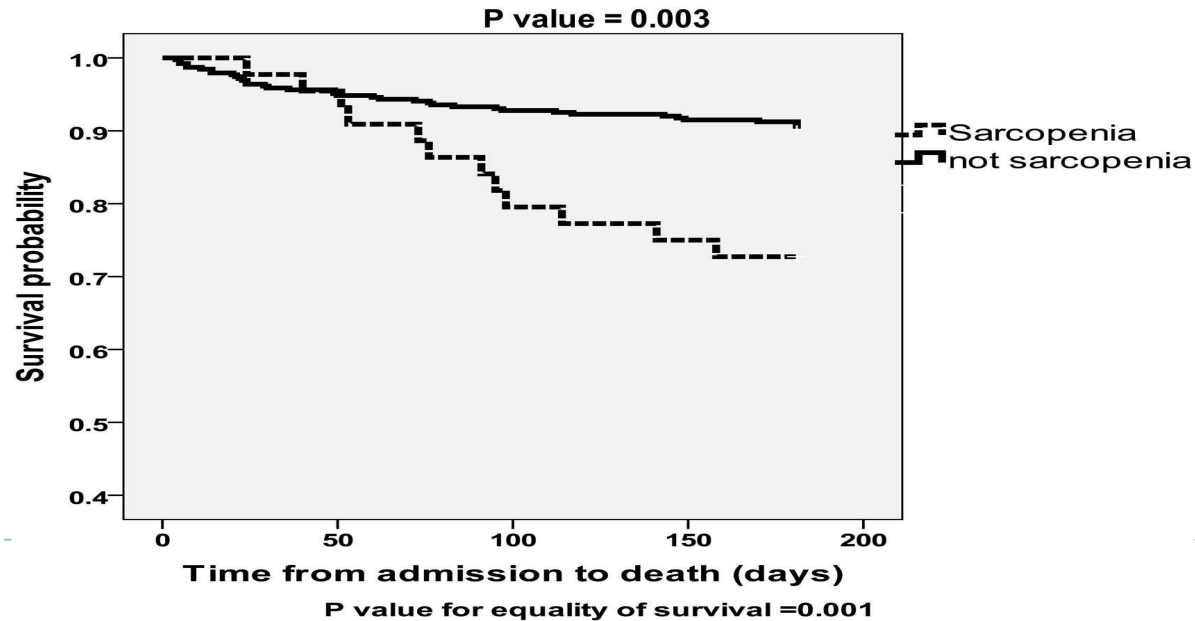
Age, education, ADL impairment, body mass index, number of diseases, TNF- α was treated as a continuous variable.

6-months hospital readmission



432 hospitalized
ill older patients
with age higher than 65 years

Gariballa and Alessa, 2013



Bilions \$

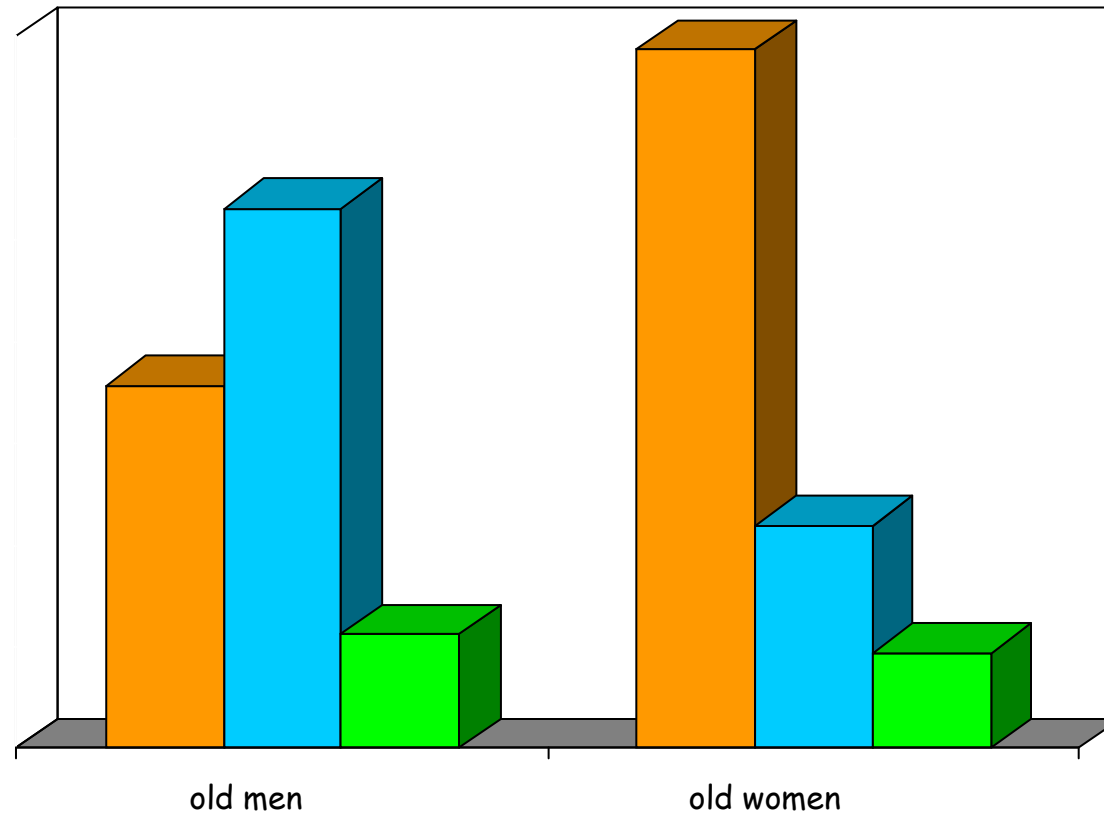
7.18 3.63

2.7 4.96

Relative Risk disability%

1 3.48 4.6

1 1.46 3.15



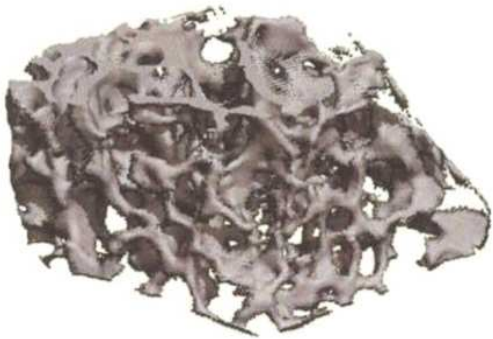
normal

pre-sarcopenic

sarcopenic

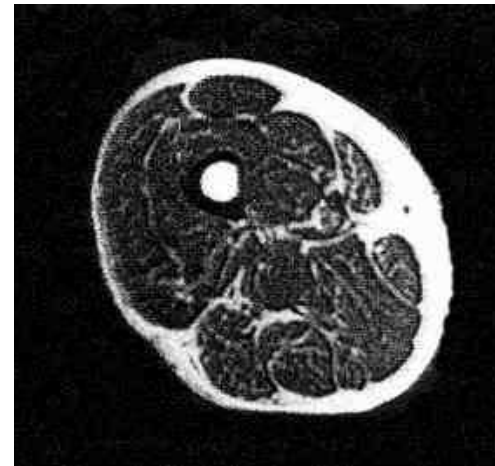
Yearly costs, (US)

Osteoporotic
fractures



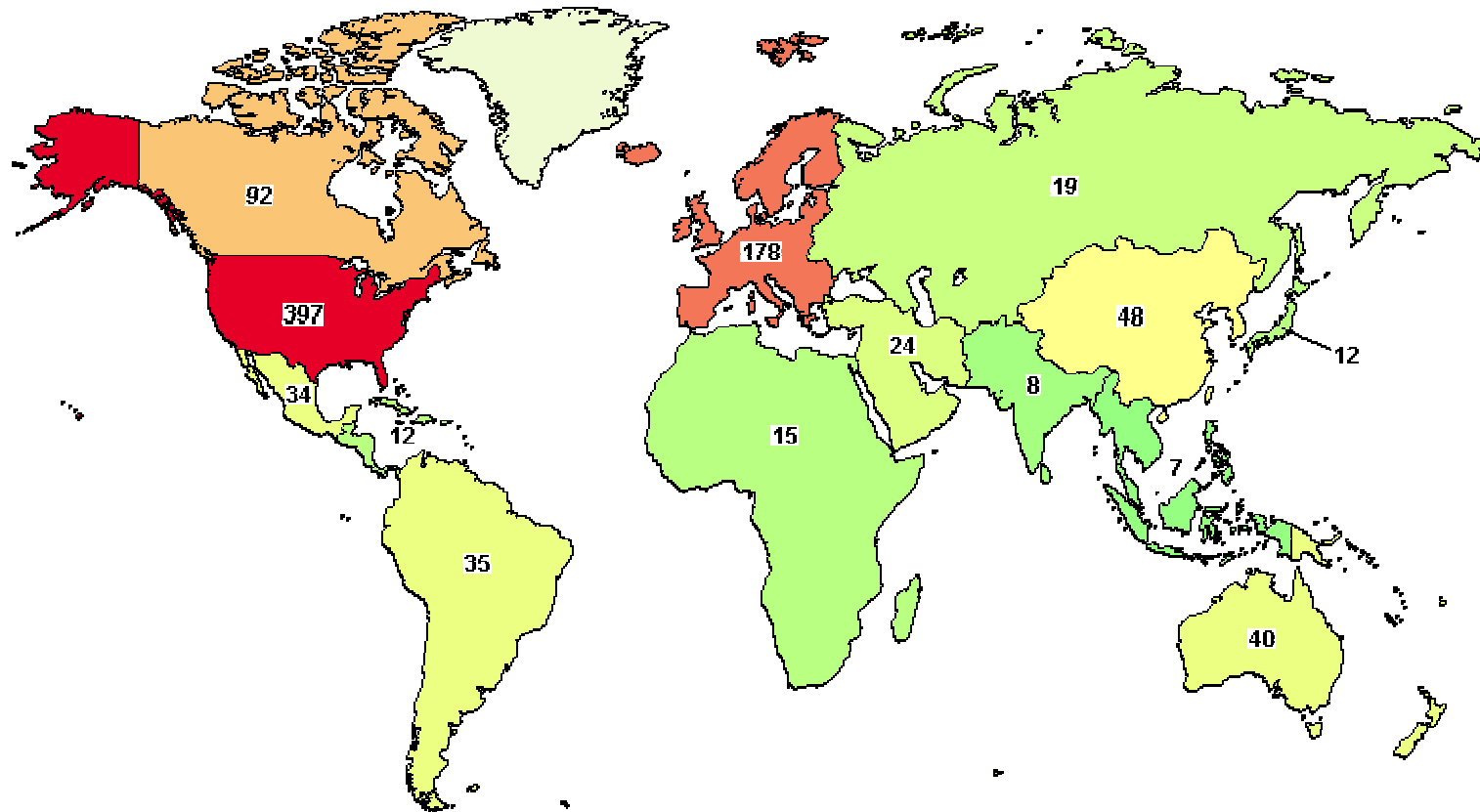
\$16.3 billion

Sarcopenia

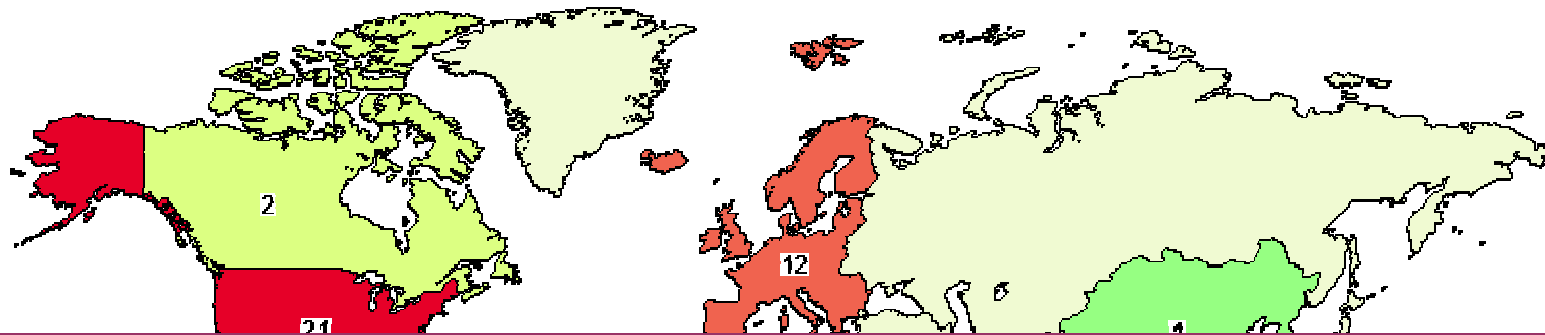


\$18.5 billion

J Am Geriatr Soc 52:80–85, 2004



Map of **1121** studies found by search of: **osteoporosis**



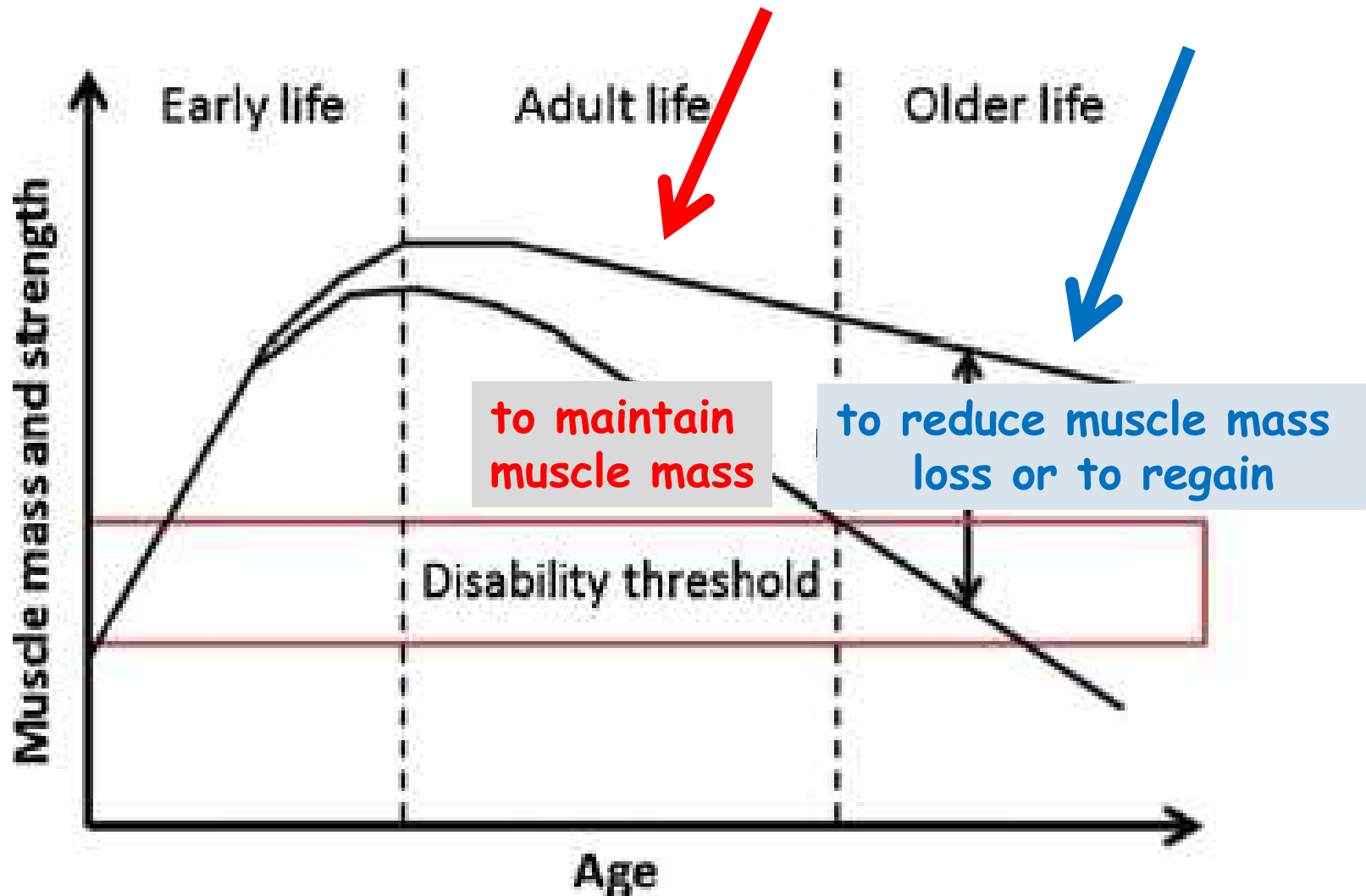
Only a handful of clinical trials are under way to treat sarcopenia

Map of **101 studies found** by search of: **sarcopenia**

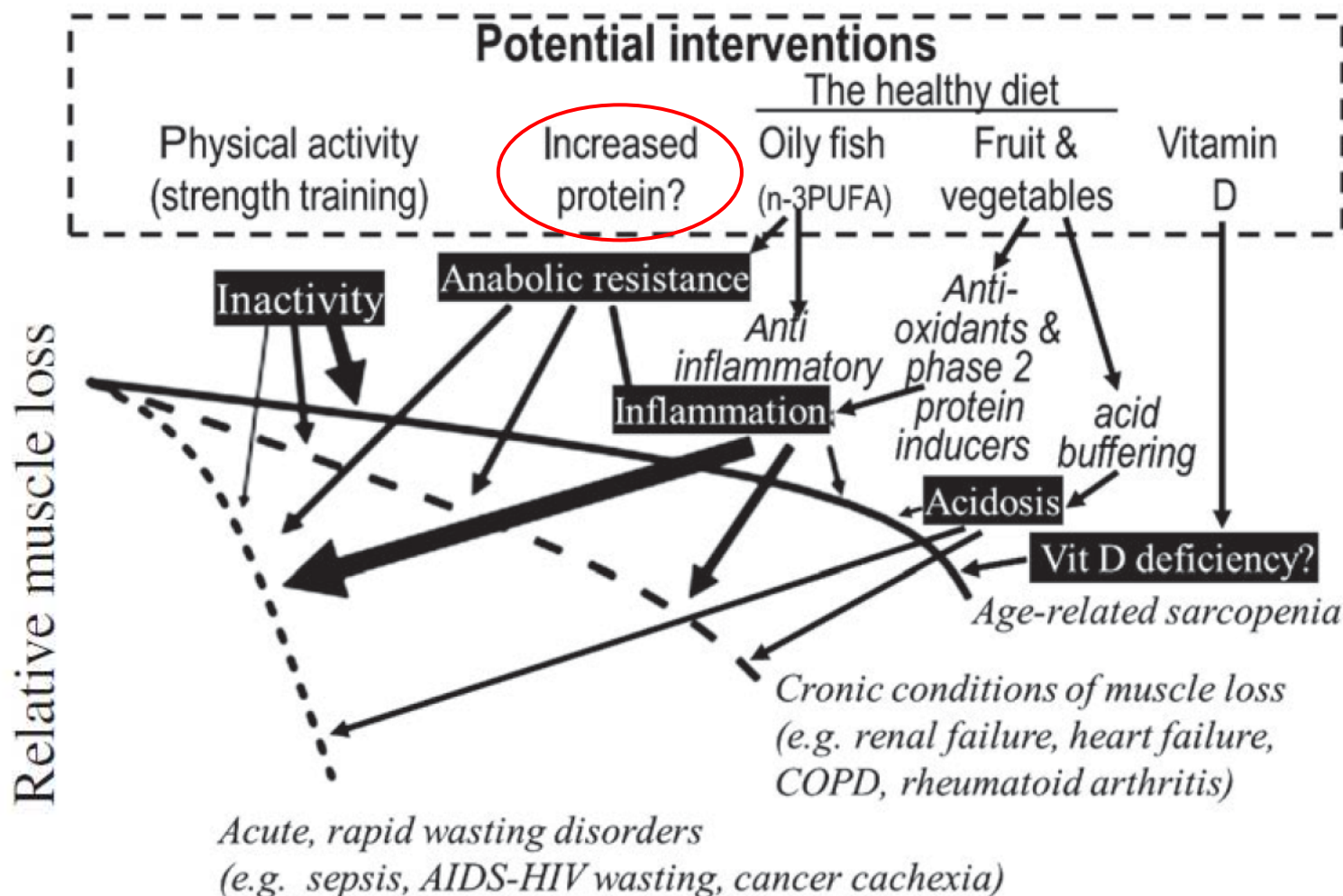
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B. Dawson-Hughes • for the IOF CSA Nutrition Working Group

Osteoporos Int. 18 December 2012

different aims

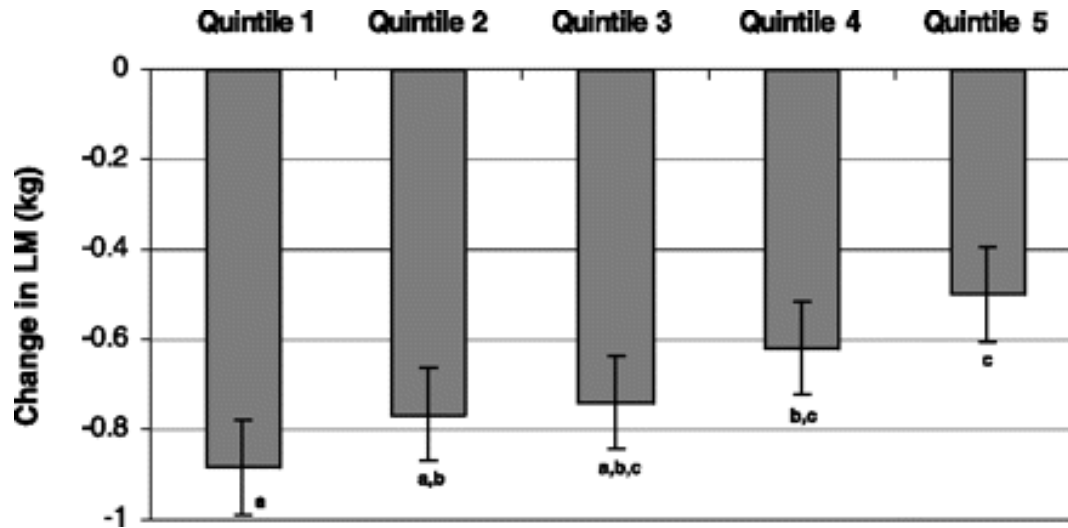


Nutrition and sarcopenia: evidence for an interaction



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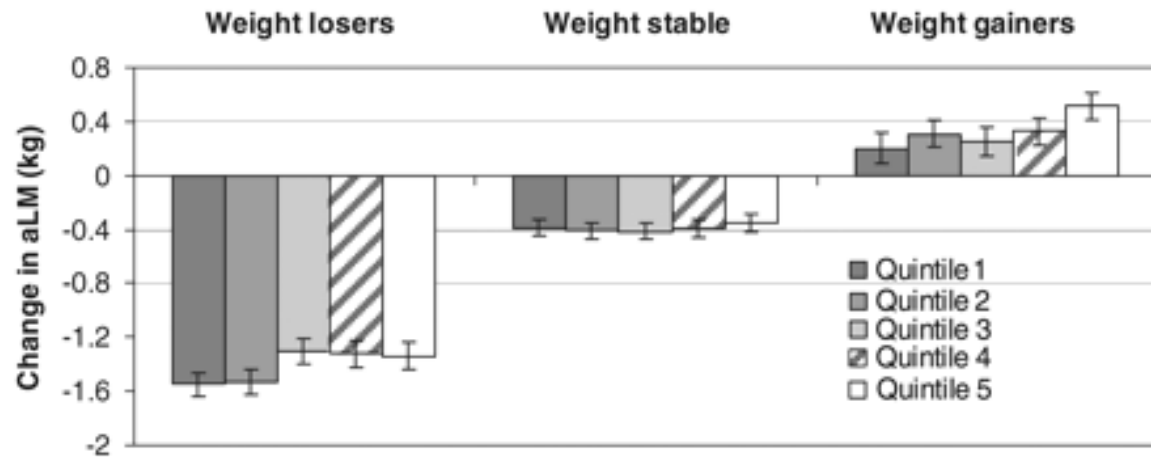
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Adjusted lean mass (LM) loss by quintile of energy-adjusted total protein intake. N= 2066

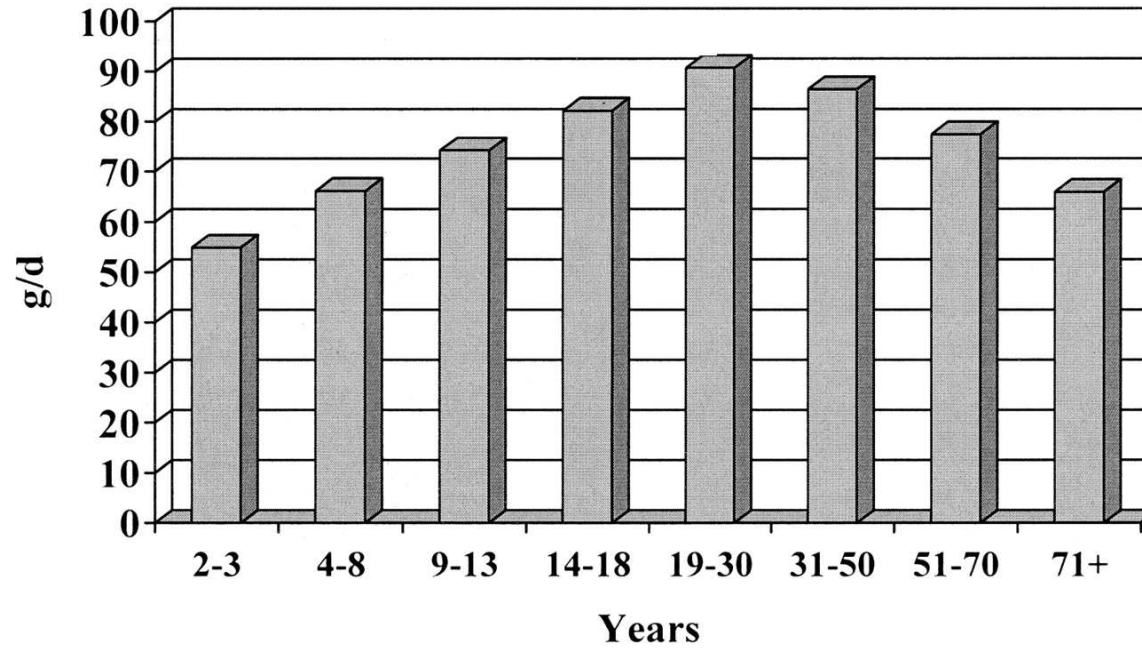
Protein intake: from 0.7 g/kg to 1.2 g/kg

Adjusted lean mass (LM) loss by quintile of energy-adjusted total protein intake and weight change status. N= 2066

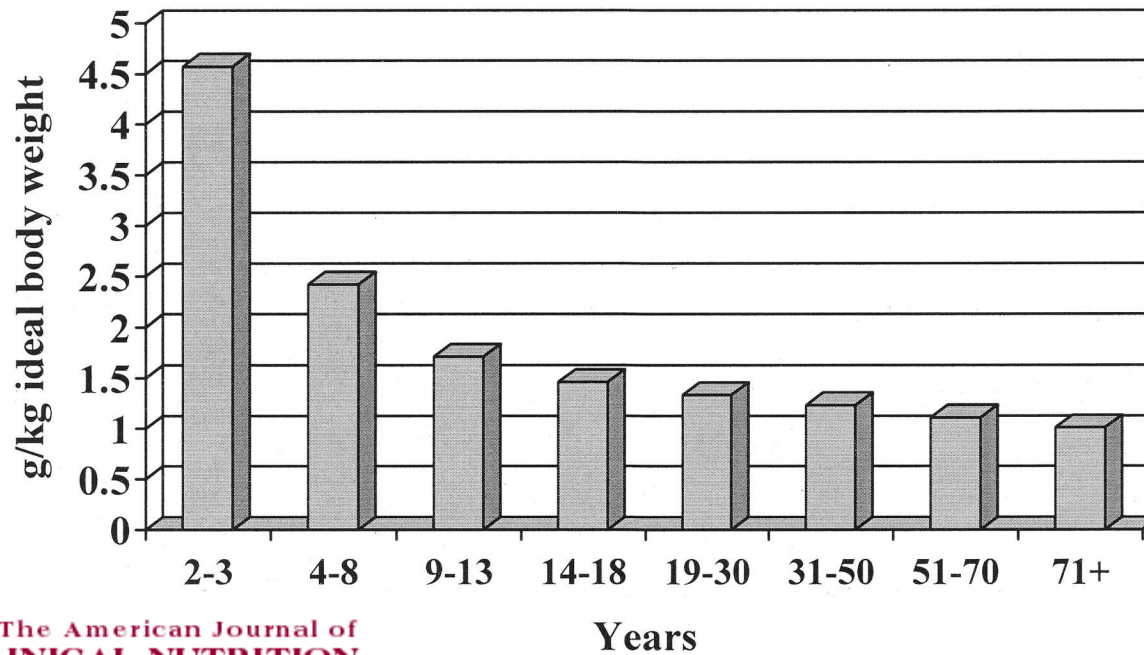


Low protein intake means higher risk of Sarcopenia

NHANES 2003-2004



Protein intake (g/d) by age

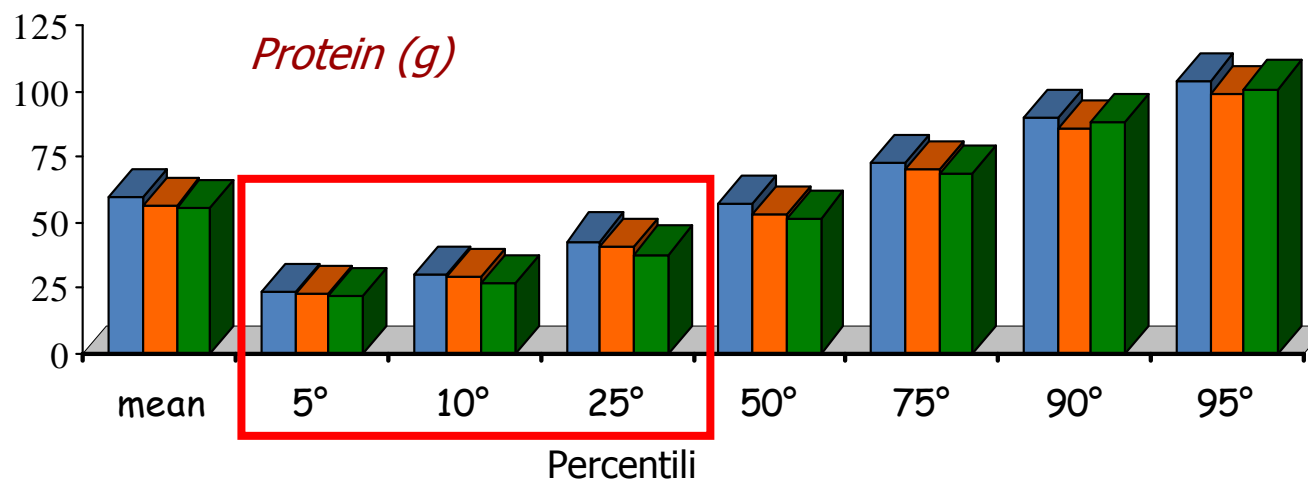
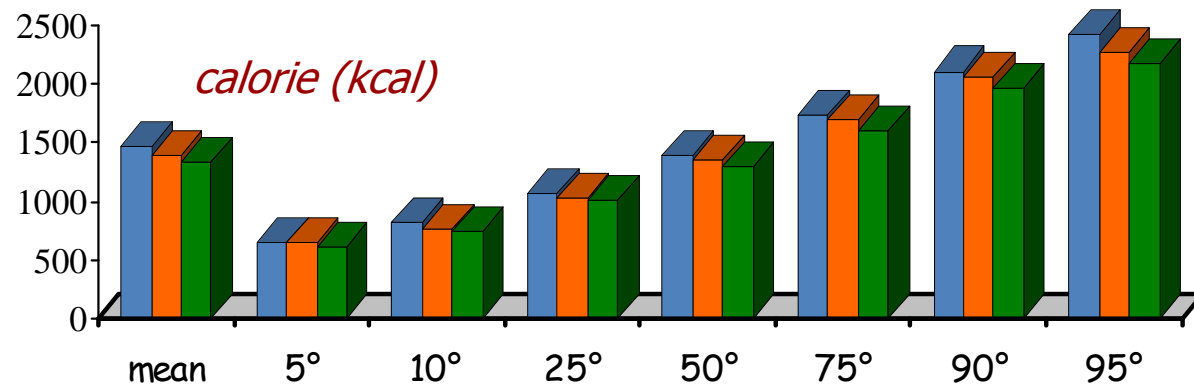


Protein intake (g/kg body weight) by age

Introito calorico e proteico in soggetti anziani di sesso femminile

Continuing Survey of Food Intakes by Individuals

(15000 soggetti, con età di 60, 70, 80 e oltre)



■ 60-69 anni ■ 70-79 anni ■ 80+ anni

Wakimoto & Block, 2001

Essenziali

Istidina
Isoleucina
Leucina
Lisina
Metionina
Fenilalanina
Treonina
Tryptofano
Valina

Non essenziali

Alanina
Acido
Aspartico
Asparagina
Acido
Glutammico
Serina

Conditionally Indispensable

Arginina
Cisteina
Glutamina
Glicina
Prolina
Tirosina

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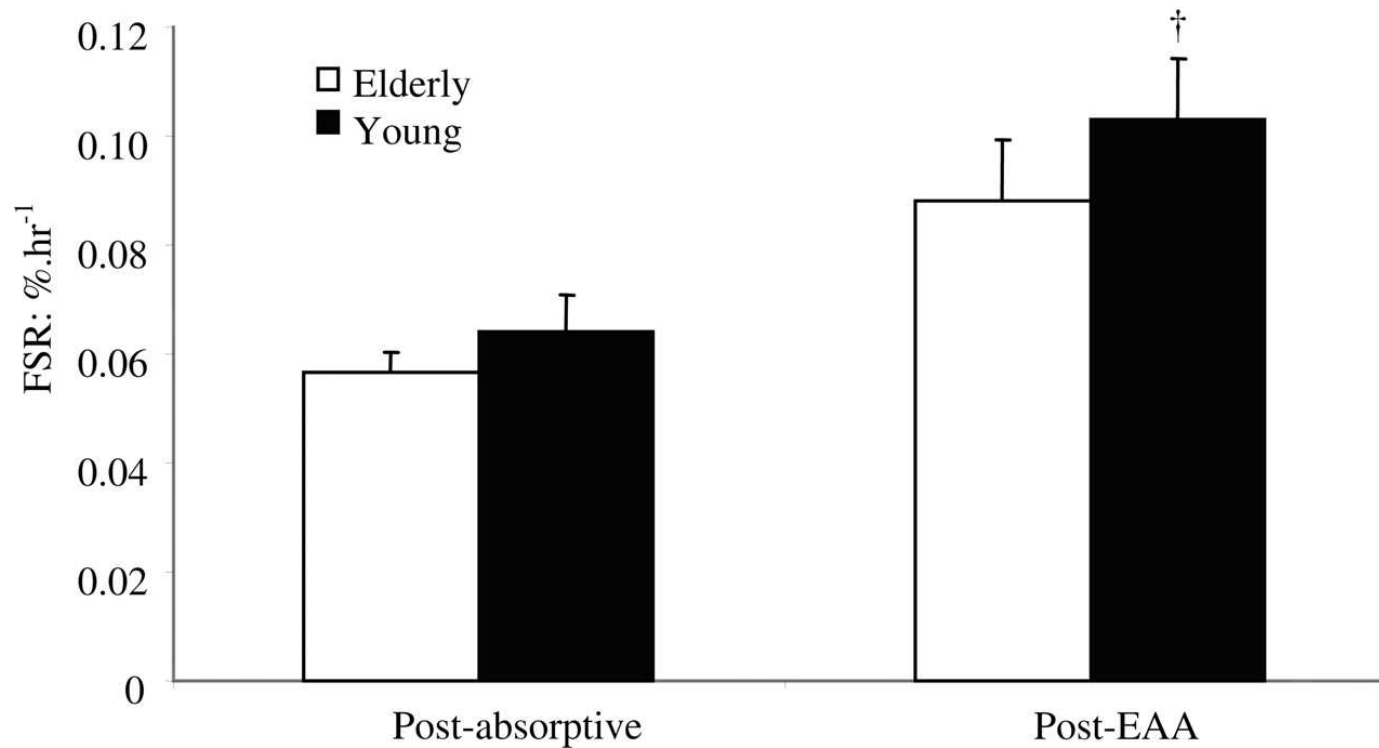
Treonina

Triptofano

Valina

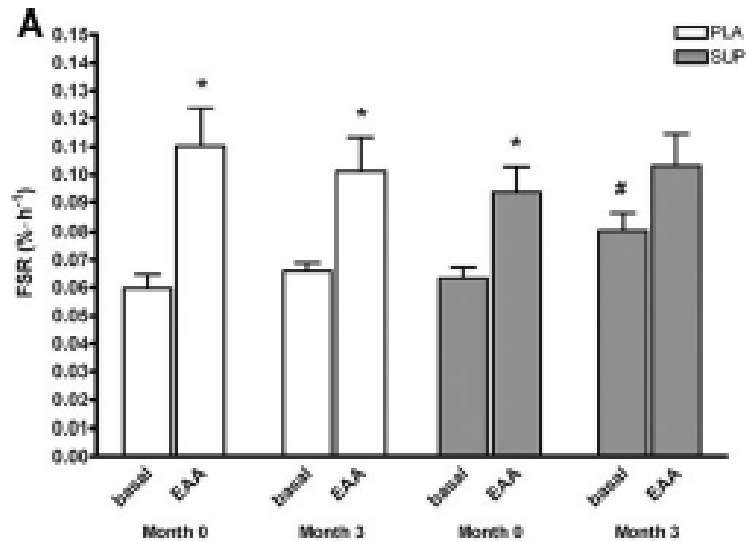
**AA ramificati
30%
proteine muscolari**

Mixed muscle fractional synthetic rate (FSR) in young and elderly before and after ingestion of 15 g of EAA

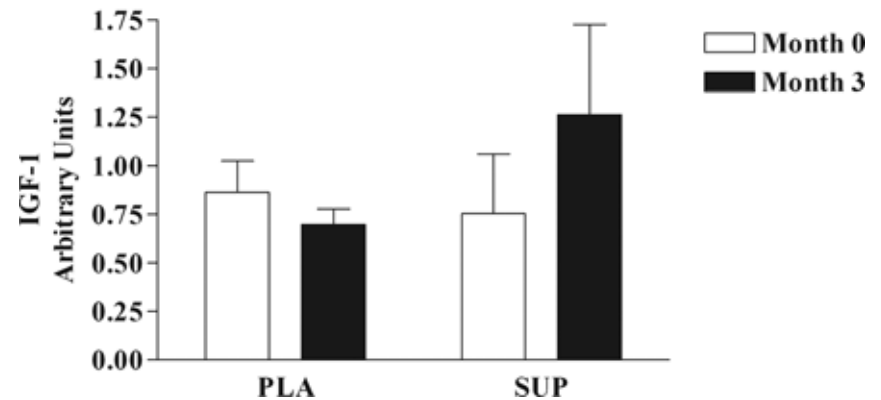
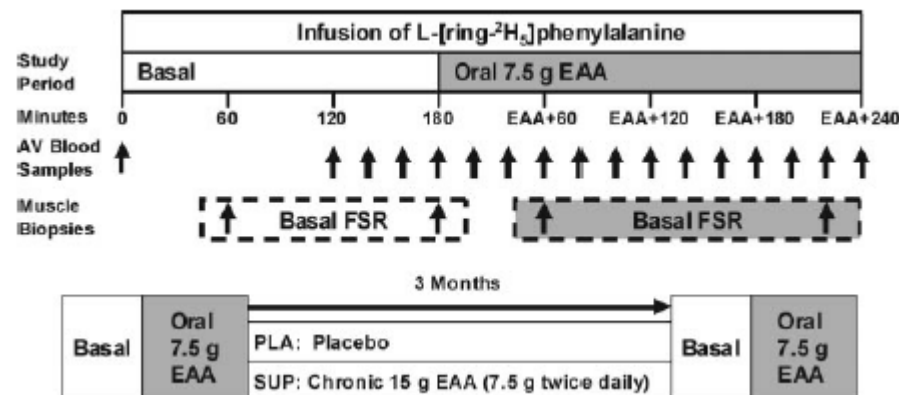


Amino Acid Supplementation Increases Lean Body Mass, Basal Muscle Protein Synthesis and IGF-1 Expression in Older Women

Objective and Design: The objectives of this study were to determine whether: 1) chronic essential amino acid (EAA) supplementation improves postabsorptive muscle protein fractional synthesis rate (FSR), lean body mass (LBM), and one-repetition maximum muscle strength, and androgen receptor and IGF-1 muscle protein expression; and 2) the acute anabolic response to EAA ingestion is preserved after a 3-month supplementation period. Using a randomized, double-blinded, placebo-controlled design, older women (68 ± 2 yr) were assigned to receive either placebo (n = 7), or 15 g EAA/d [supplemented treatment group (SUP)] (n = 7) for 3 months. Metabolic outcomes were assessed in association with stable isotope studies conducted at 0 and 3 months.



Anabolic response to EAA supplementation is maintained over time

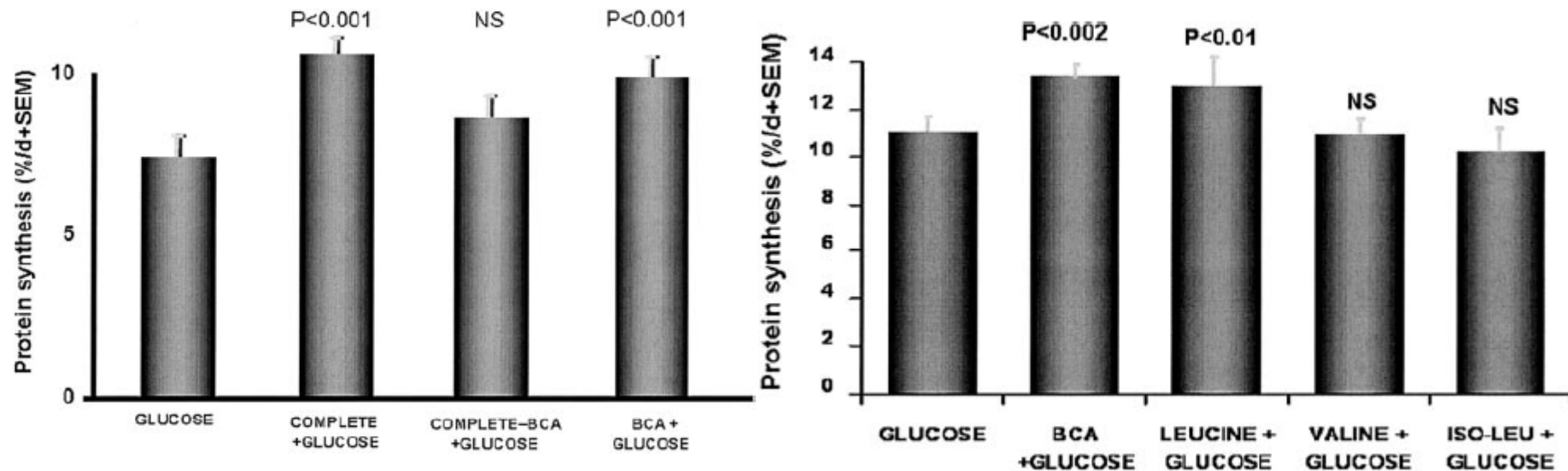


Edgar L. Dillon, 2008

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The Role of Leucine in the Regulation of Protein Metabolism^{1,2}

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ABSTRACT Studies both in vivo and in vitro have shown that leucine at a very high dose can stimulate muscle protein synthesis, an effect that is enhanced in vivo by insulin secreted in response to the leucine dose. High leucine can also inhibit protein degradation in skeletal muscle, as well as in liver. In contrast, at normal physiological levels, increasing leucine concentration by infusion stimulates muscle protein synthesis by enhancing its sensitivity to insulin. It is concluded that the role of leucine in vivo is to provide a signal that amino acids are available, which in combination with the signal of energy availability from insulin, stimulates muscle protein synthesis. *J. Nutr.* 135: 1553S–1556S, 2005.

Aminoacidi essenziali in diete a vario contenuto calorico

Dieta kcal	Valina	Isoleucina	Leucina	Lisina	Metionina	Fenilalanina	Treonina	Triptofano	Istidina
1500	2,84	2,47	4,25	4,171	1,19	2,40	2,47	0,59	1,51
1800	3,59	3,12	5,37	5,27	1,542	3,03	3,07	0,75	1,92
2000	3,73	3,24	5,57	5,50	1,622	3,14	3,19	0,77	2,00

Introito medio di Leucina negli USA: 6.1 g/die
(da alimenti e/o supplementi) (1988-1994 NHANES III)

Hydroxy- β -Methylbutyrate: metabolita della Leucina

Essenziali

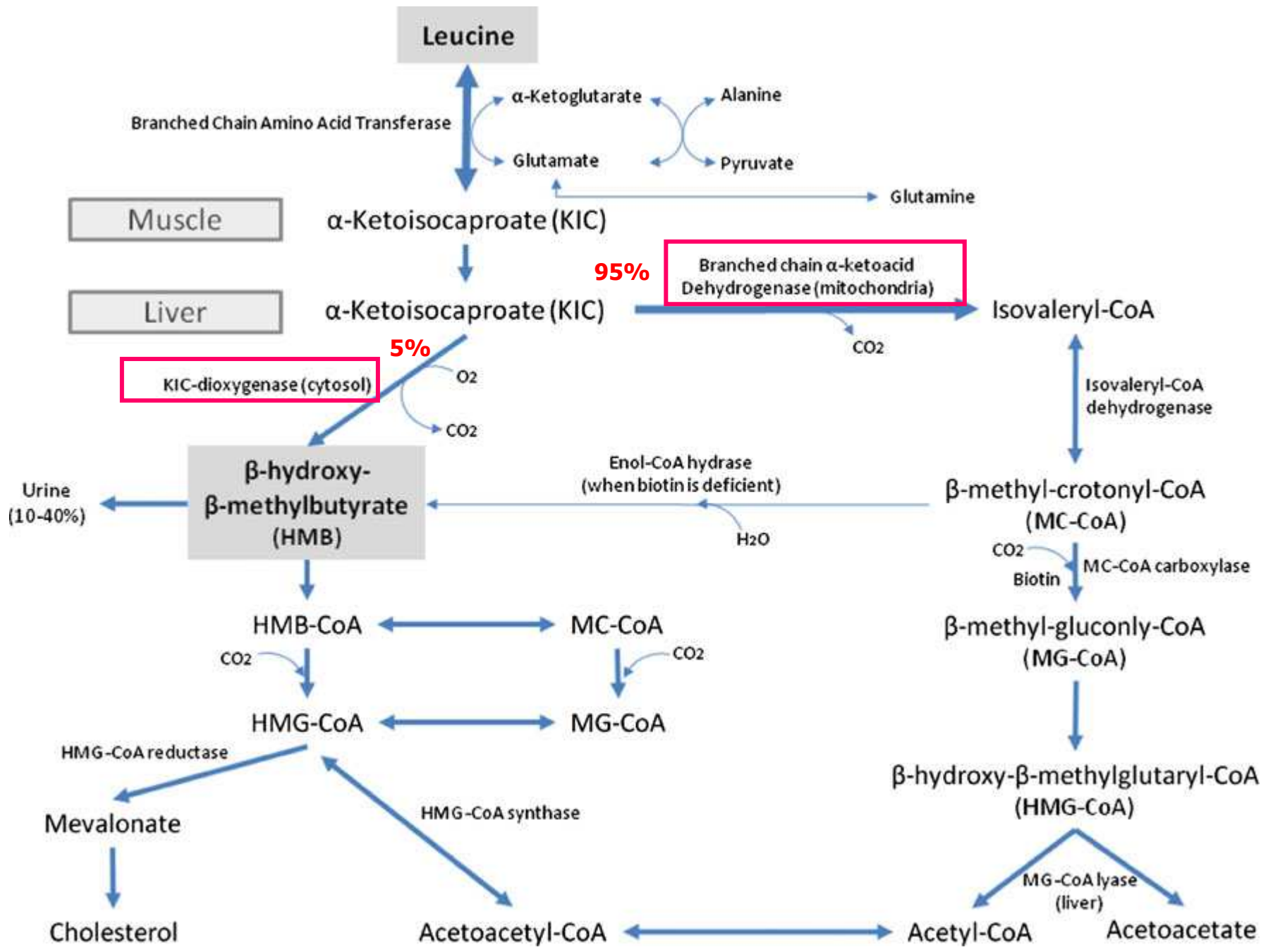
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Treonina
Triptofano
Valina

Non essenziali

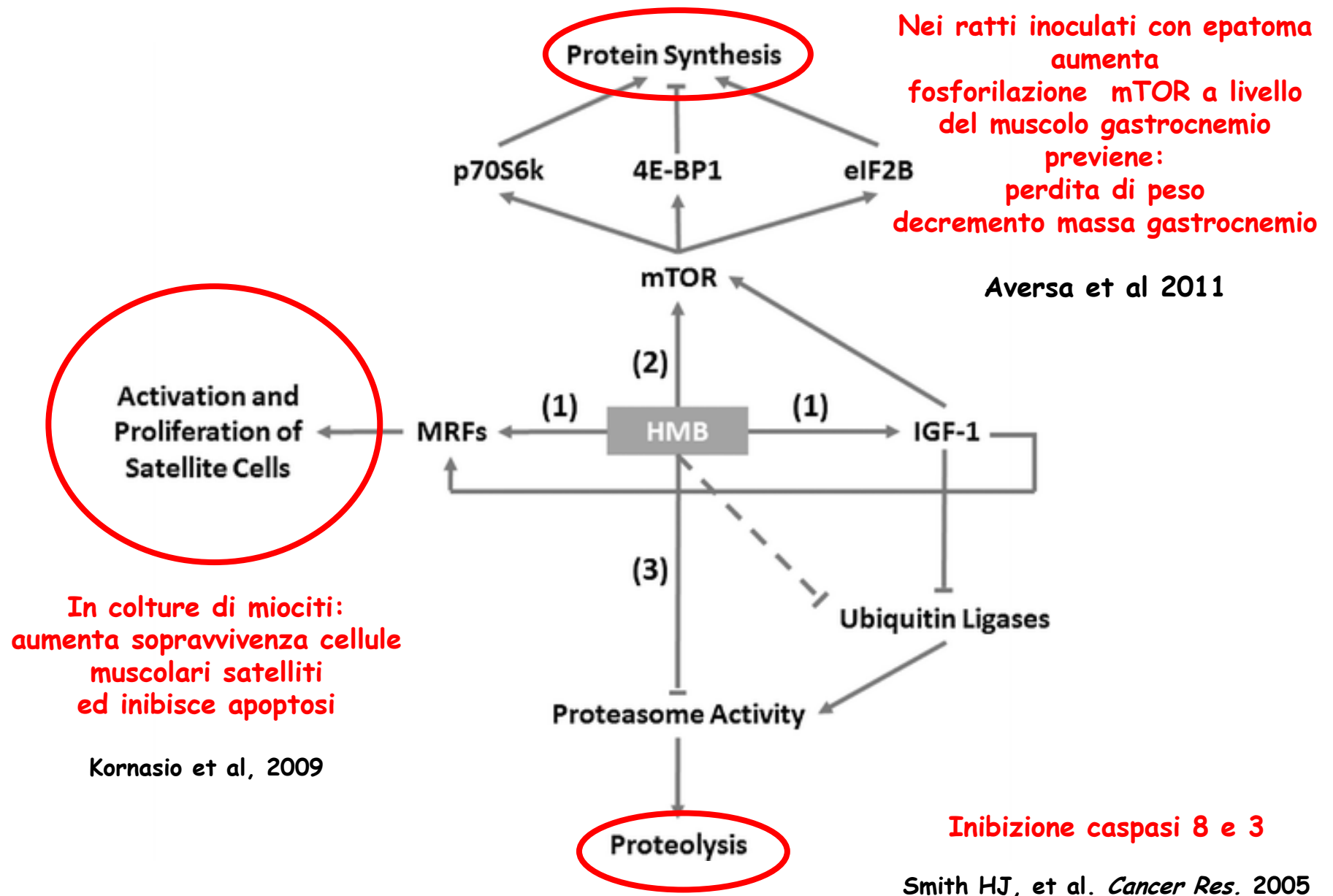
Alanina
Acido
Aspartico
Asparagina
Acido
Glutammico
Serina

Conditionally Indispensable

Arginina
Cisteina
Glutamina
Glicina
Prolina
Tirosina



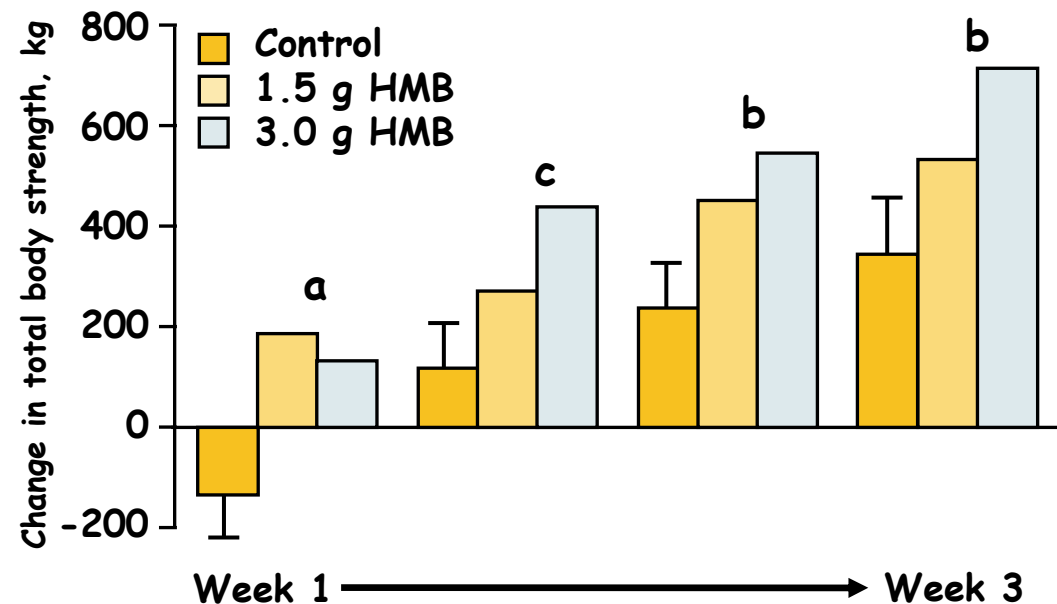
Studi in vitro: meccanismi d'azione



Change in Muscle Strength During HMB Supplementation

- 41 healthy young adults (19-29 years), **untrained**
- 2 protein levels: 117 g/day (control) or 175 g/day
 - Diet was controlled, nutrient powder in a shake
- 3 HMB supplementation doses randomized and blinded within each protein group
 - 0, 1.5, or 3.0 g/day Mixed in orange juice
- Weight training for 1.5 hours 3 days/week for 3 weeks**

- Data from control and high protein groups were pooled because there was no difference in HMB results
- Overall muscle strength increased at 3 weeks
 - 8% in control group**
 - 13% in 1.5 g HMB group**
 - 18% in 3.0 g HMB group**



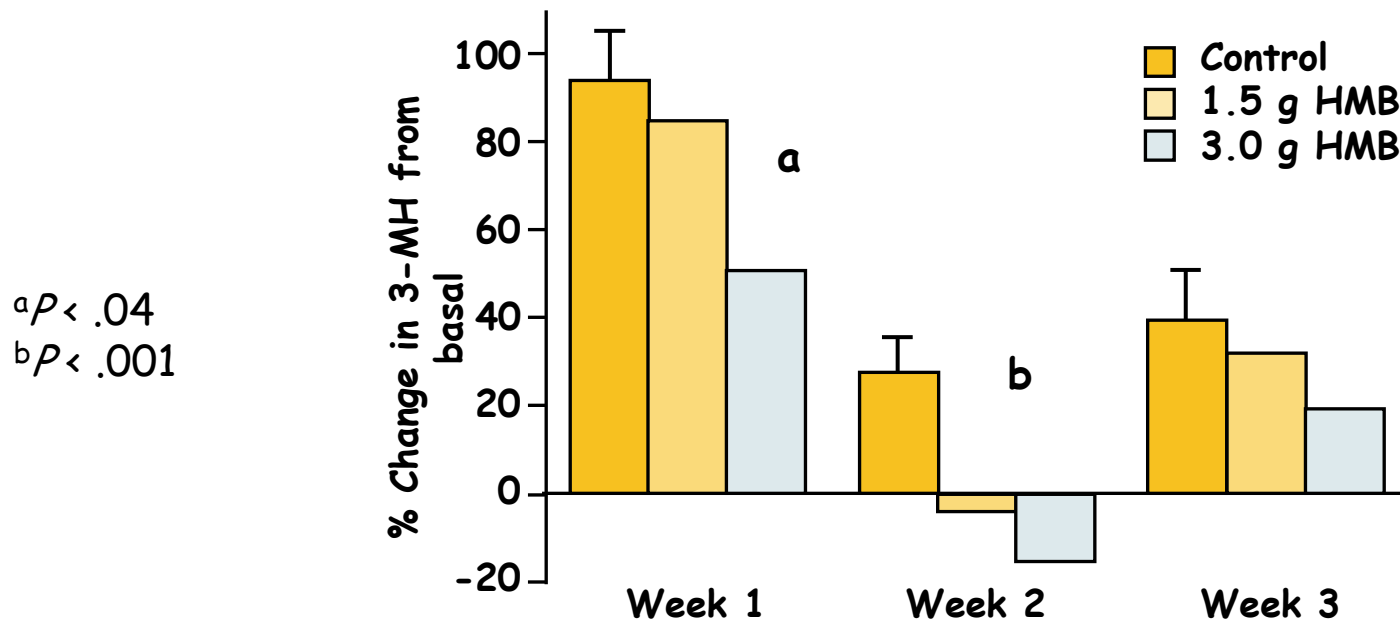
^a $P < .03$

^b $P < .02$

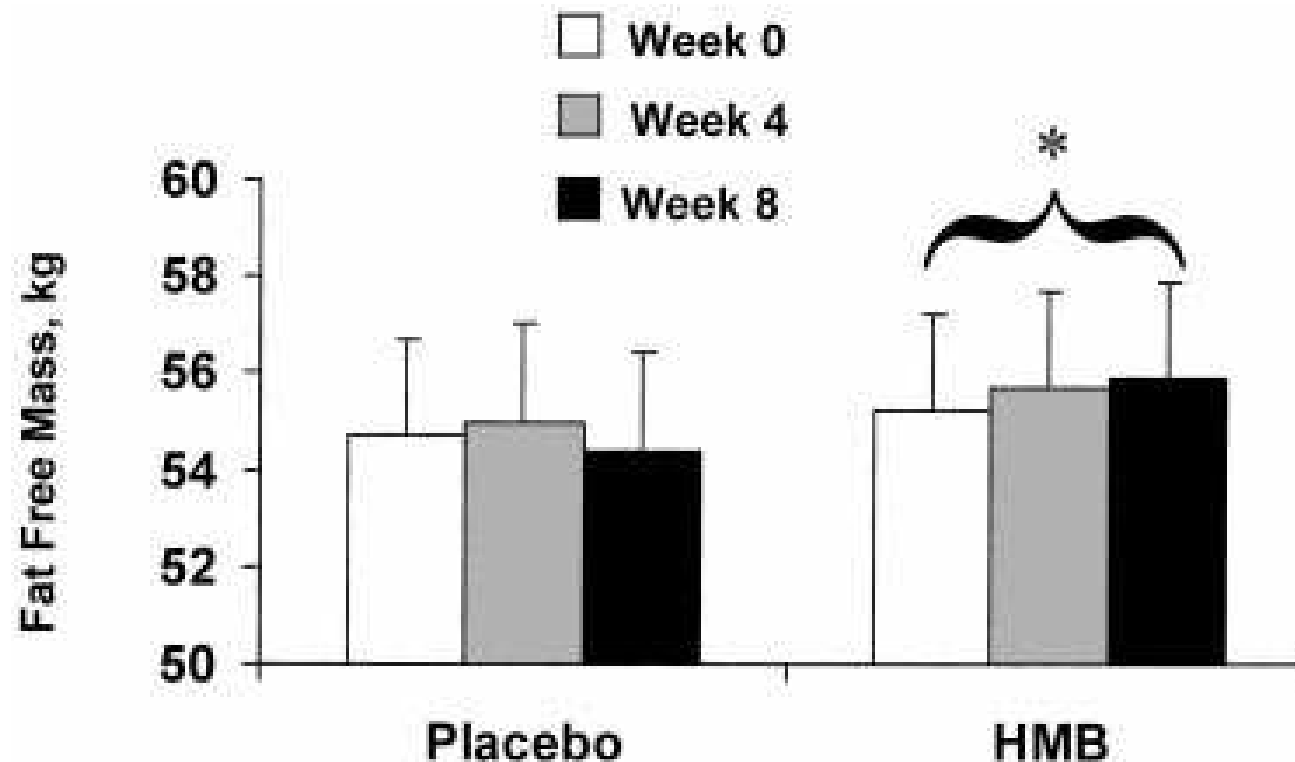
^c $P < .01$

Change in Urinary 3-Methylhistidine (3-MH) Excretion During HMB Supplementation

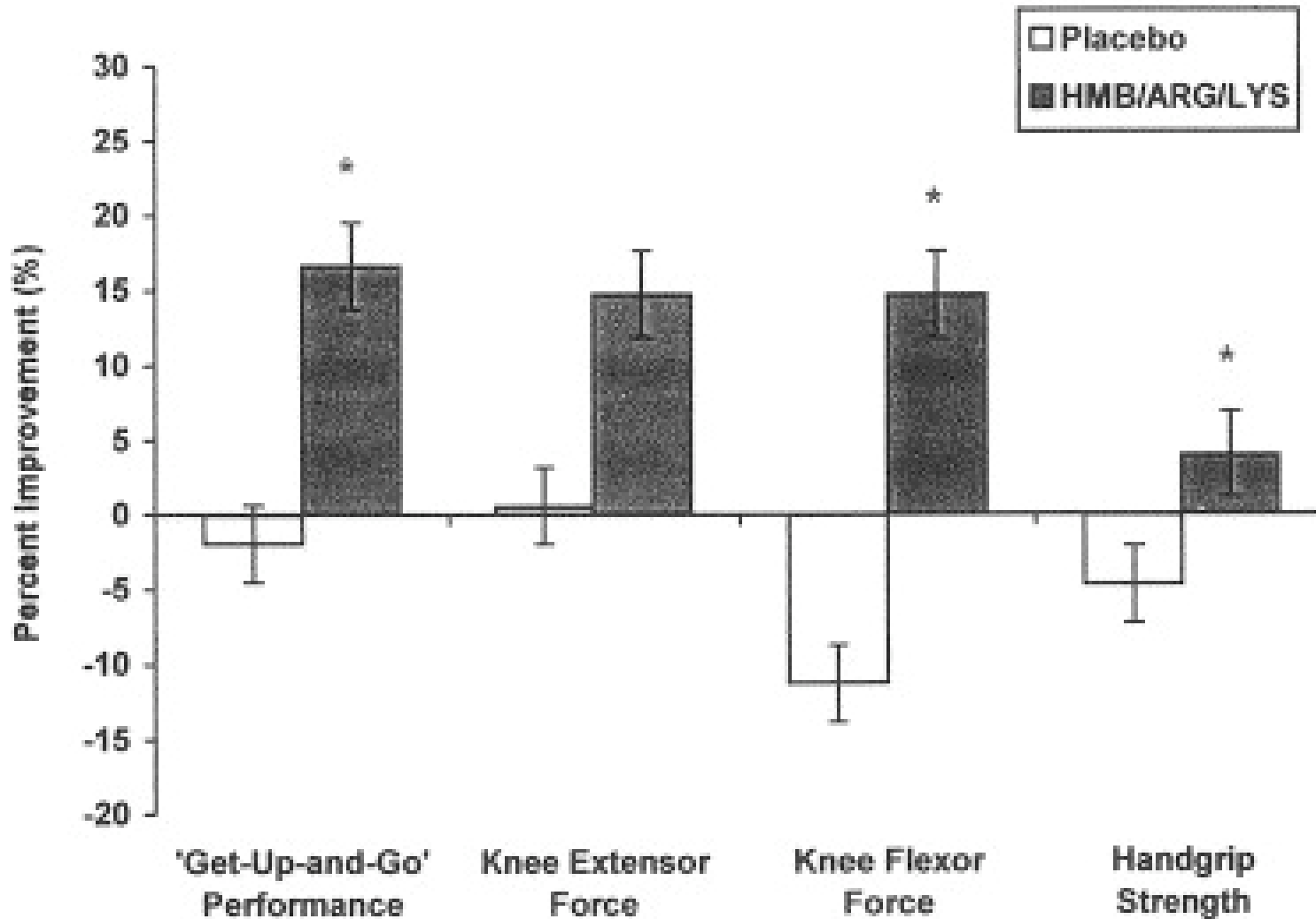
- 3-MH is a muscle-specific amino acid
 - Formed during breakdown of muscle proteins (actin and myosin)
 - Excreted unchanged in urine
- Total muscle breakdown per day increased from 3% at baseline to
 - 6% at week 3 in control group
 - 5.5% at week 3 in 1.5 g HMB group
 - 4.5% at week 3 in 3.0 g HMB group



Randomized, double-blind study:
31 adults (men, 15; women, 16) 70 years of age
Received 3 g/day HMB or placebo for 8 weeks
Participants underwent an **exercise program 5 day/week**
diet not controlled

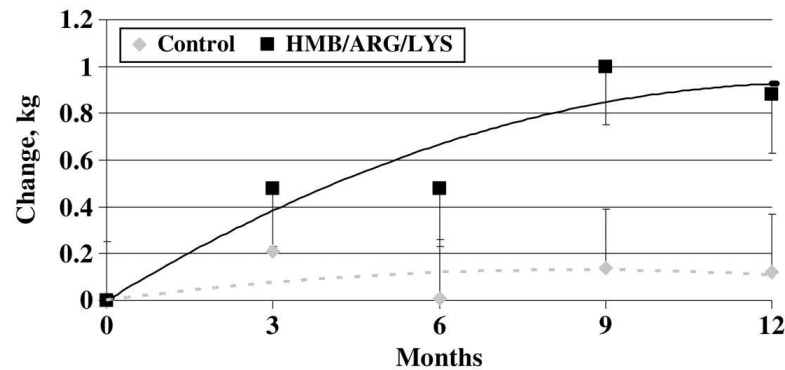


Double-blind study in old women (76,7 years)
2 g HMB (n 23) vs placebo (n 27)
12 weeks: no exercise

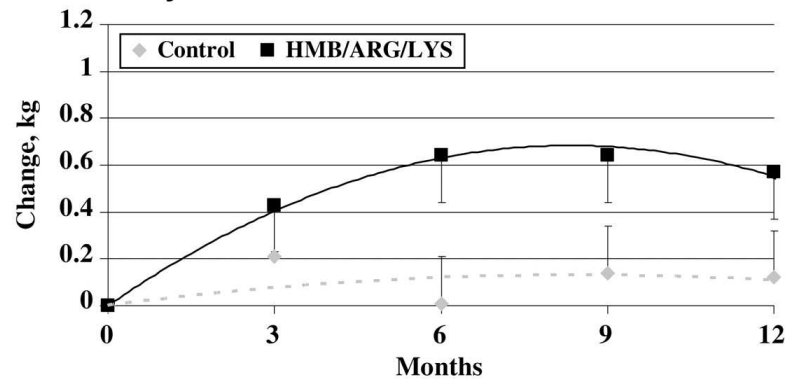


Body composition data for elderly men and women

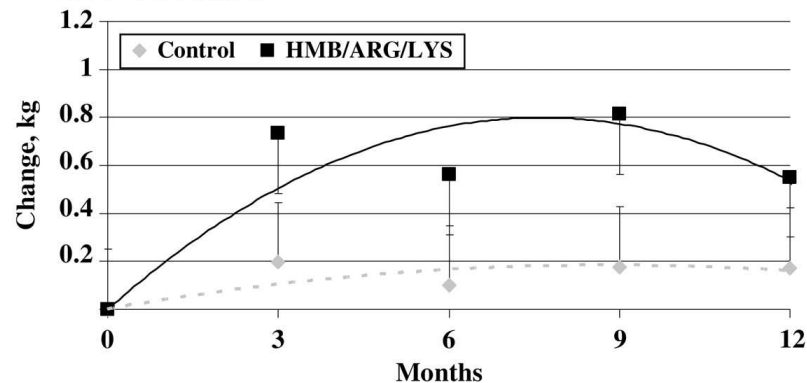
A BIA Fat-Free-Mass



B BIA Body-Cell-Mass



C DXA Lean Mass



12 months
double-blinded study

127 elderly adults

Received:

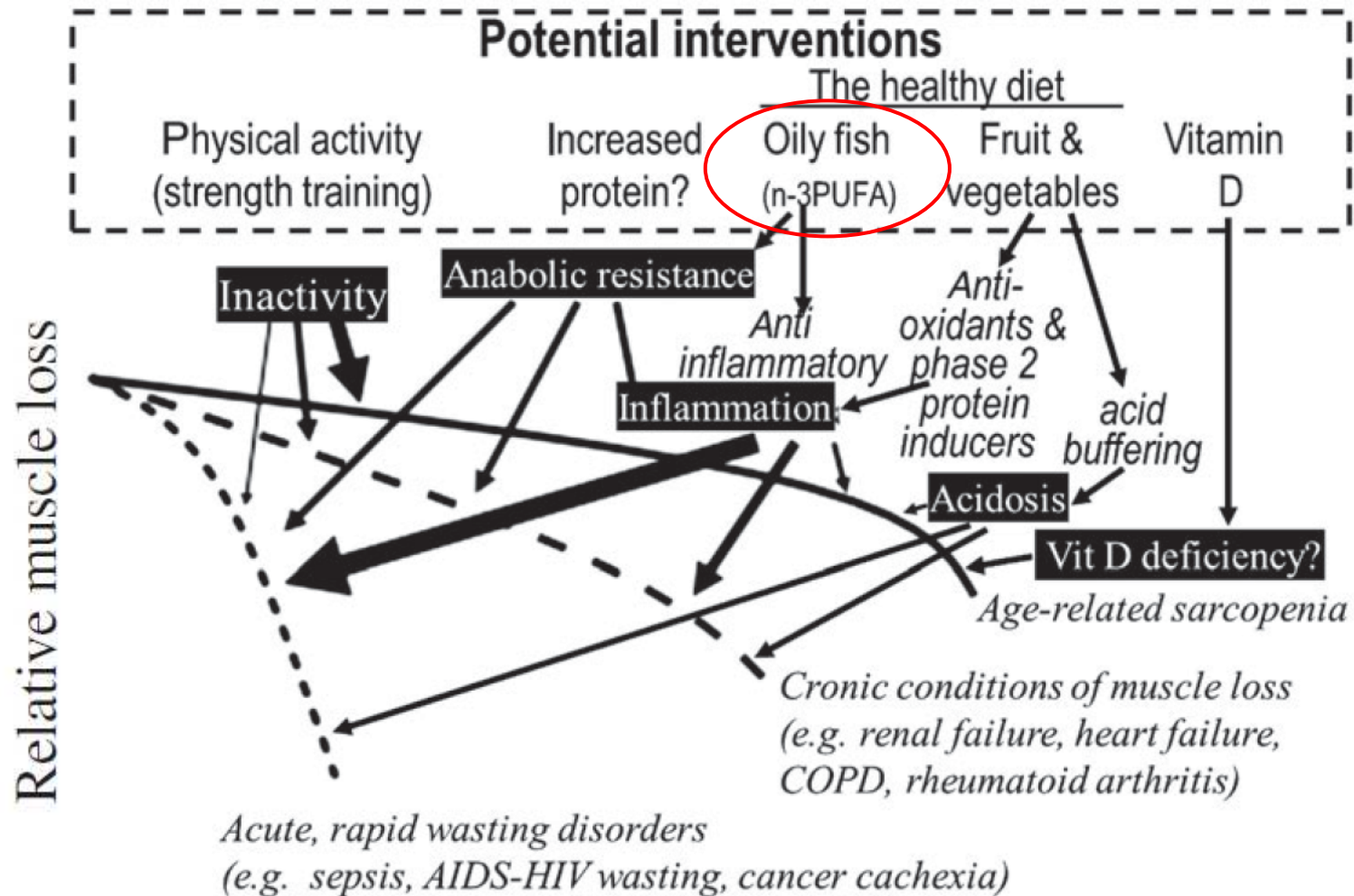
2 to 3 g HMB + 1.5 to
2.25 g lysine + 5 to 7.5
g arginine per day

or isocaloric,
isonitrogenous placebo

No exercise
component

Baier S et al., 2009

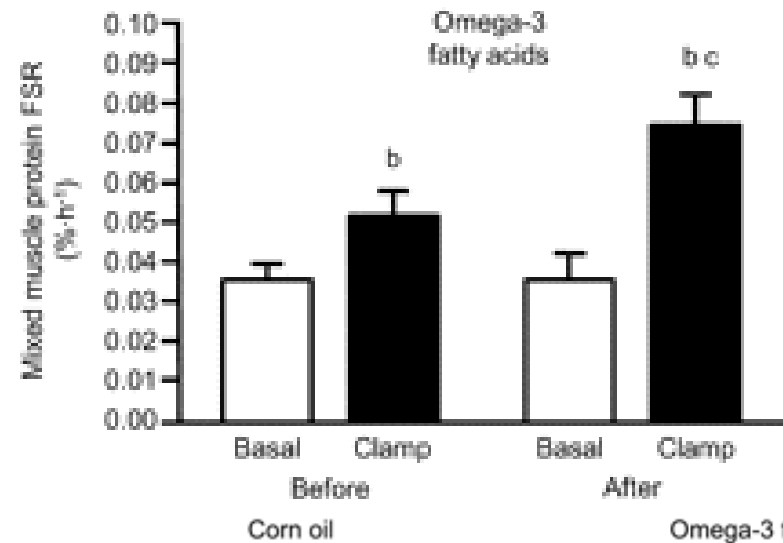
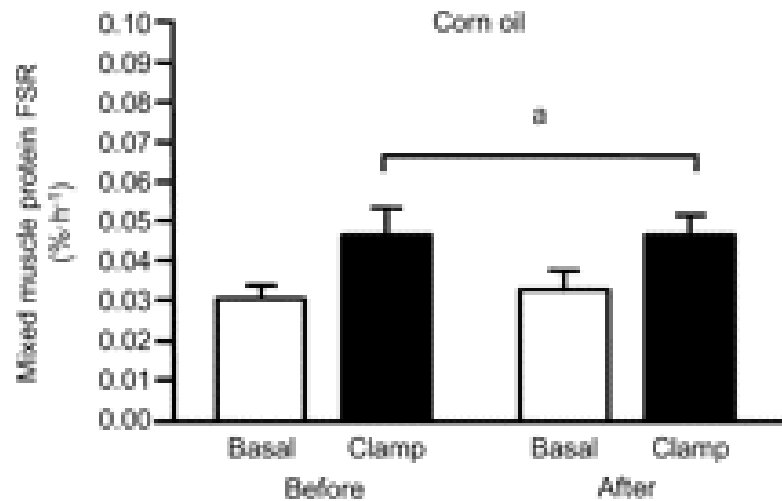
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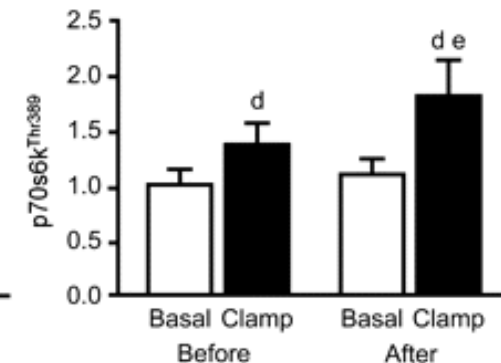
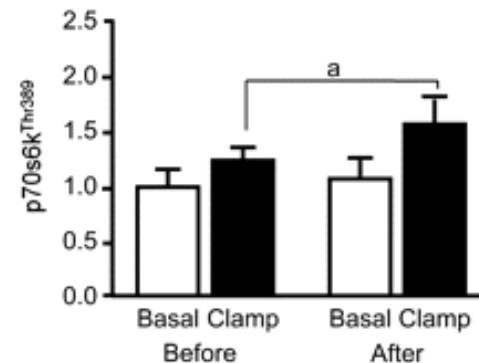
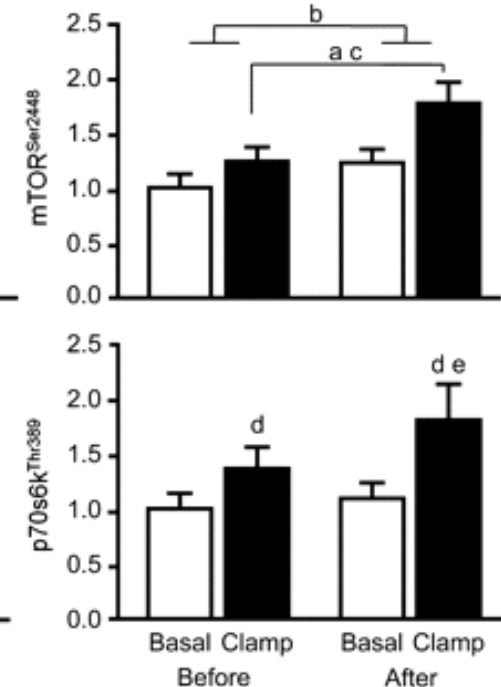
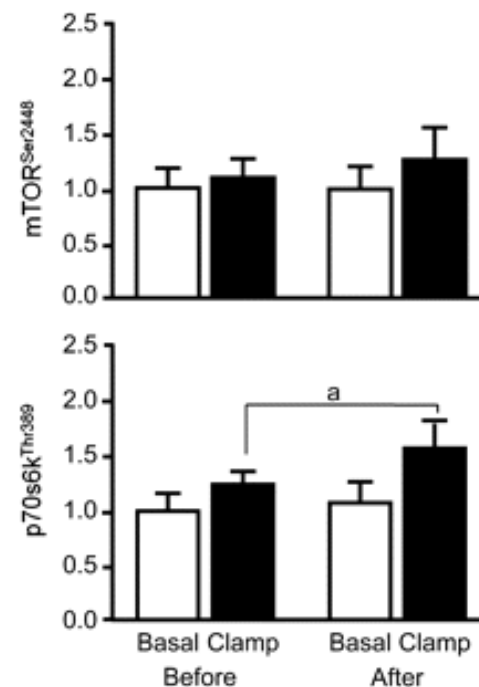
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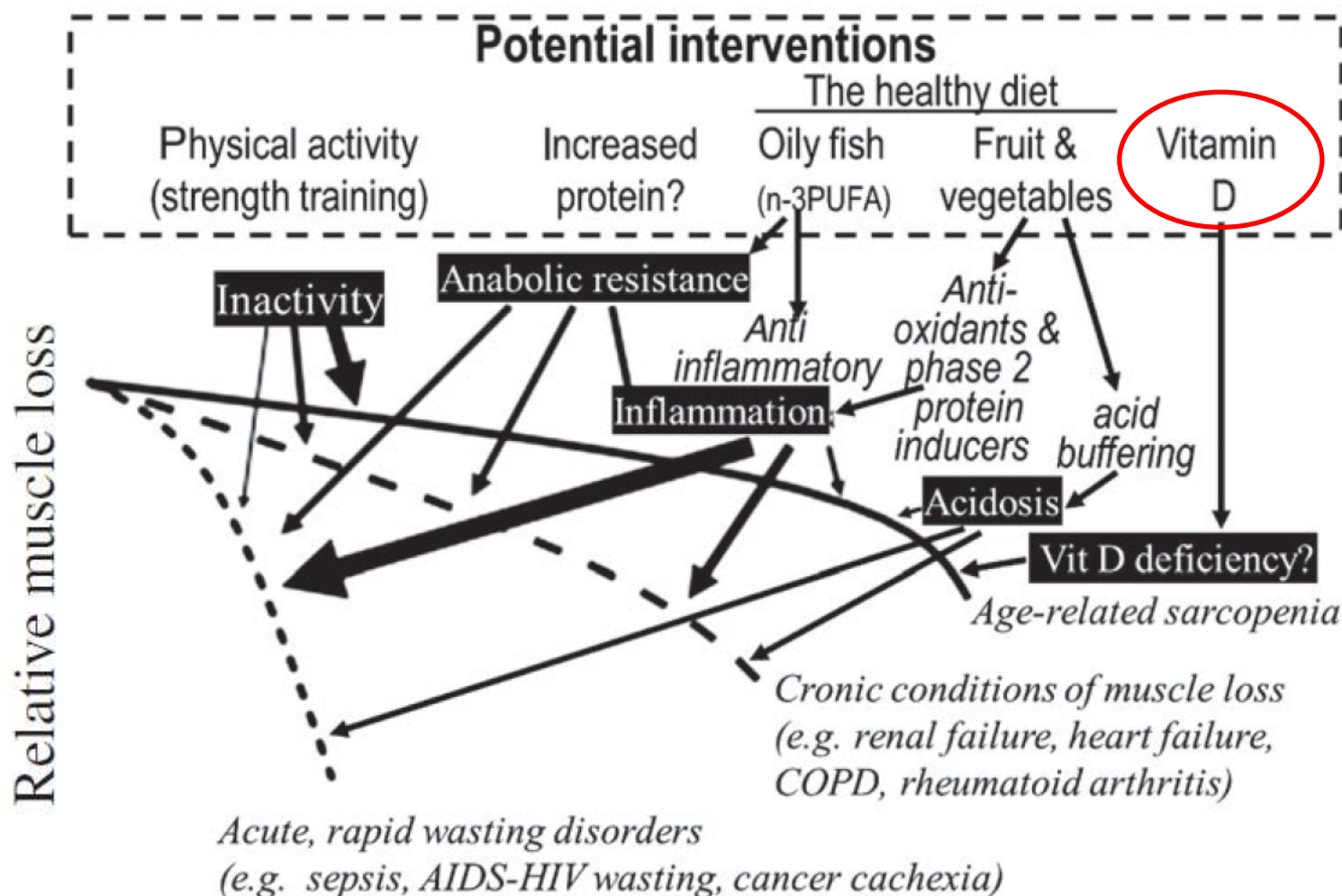
Dietary omega-3 fatty acid supplementation increase the rate of muscle protein synthesis in older adults: a randomized controlled trial



16 anziani randomizzati a ricevere omega 3 (4 g) o corn oil (4 g) per 8 sett
In condizioni basali e dopo clamp iperinsulinemico e iperaminoacidemico.



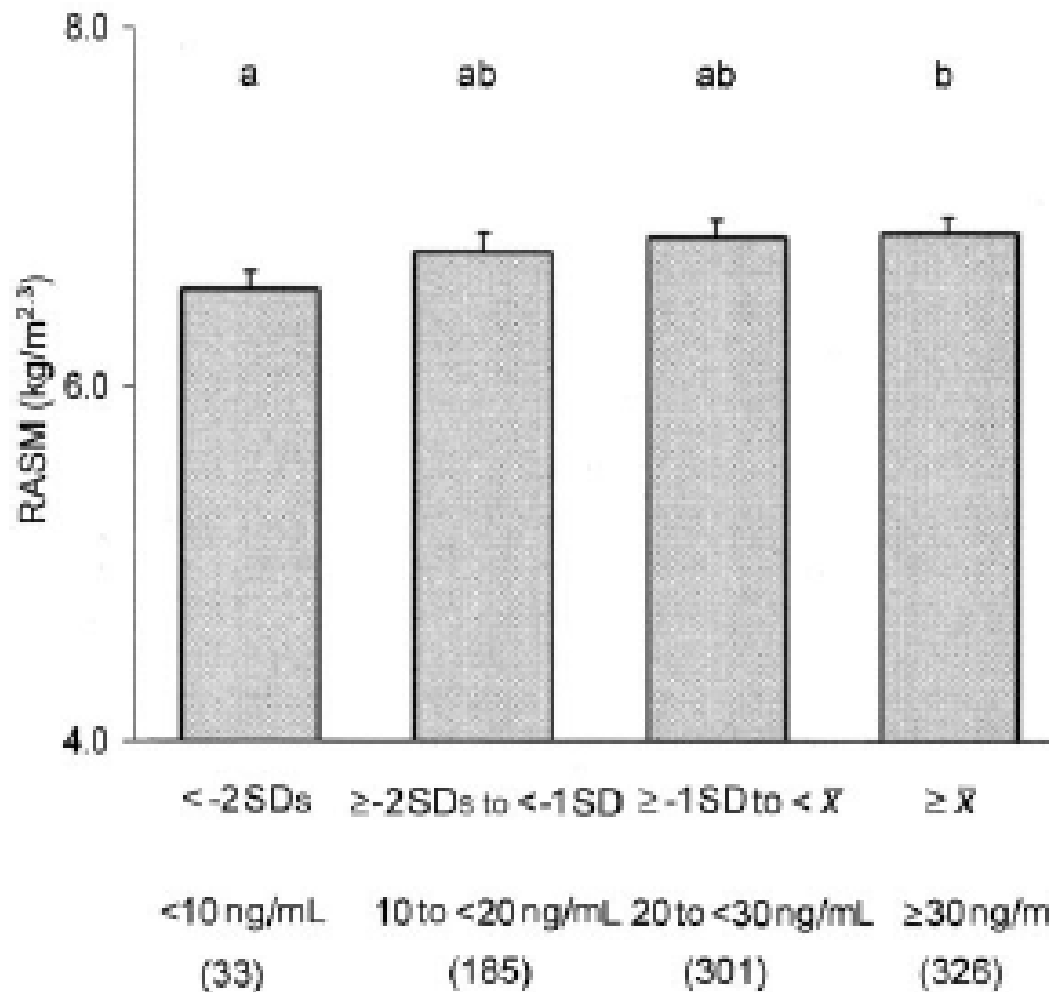
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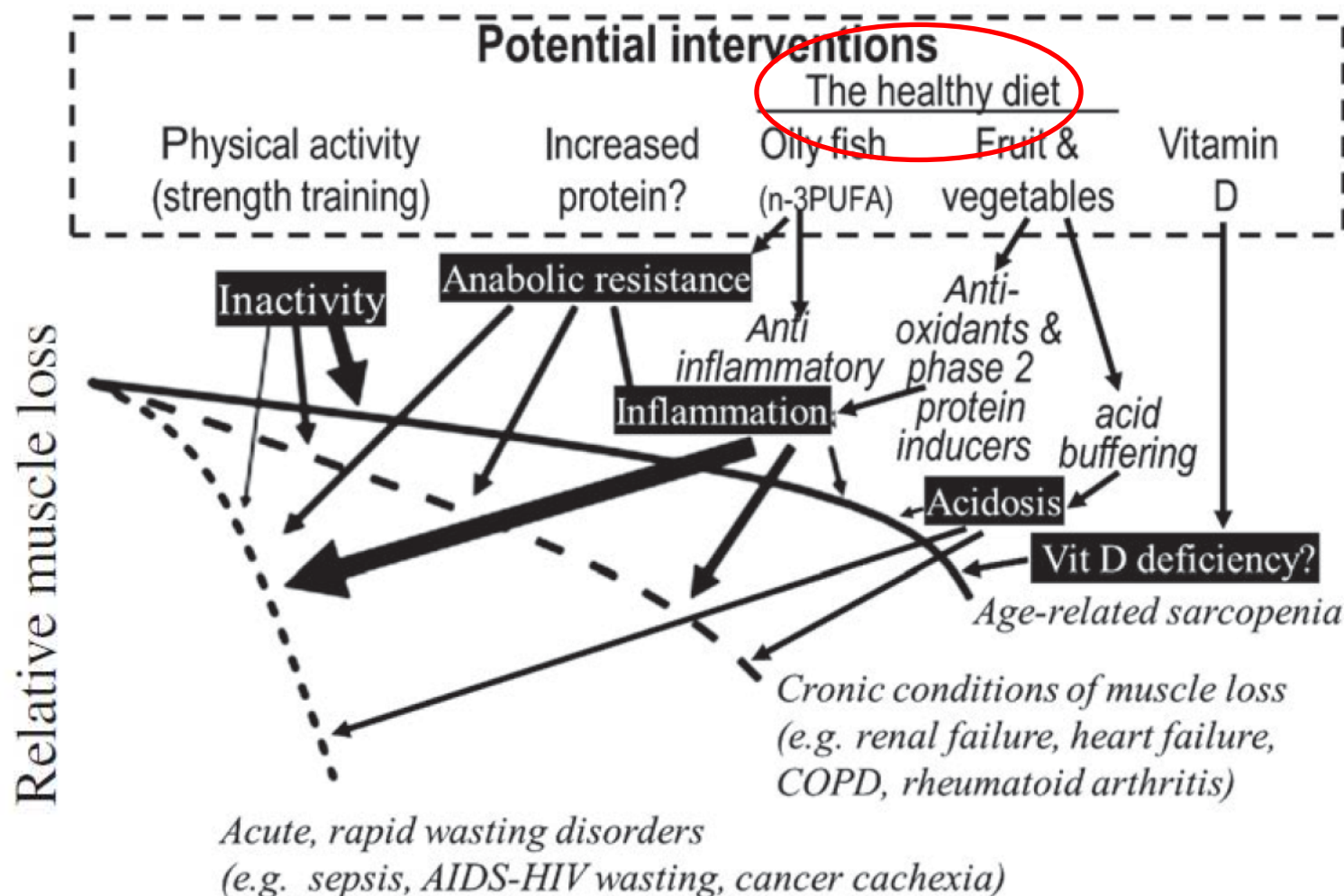
The Minos study: 845 men aged 45-85 years



Vitamina D

- Ipovitaminosi D associata ad atrofia fibre di tipo II
- Livelli Vitamina D associati a forza muscolare
- Supplementazione Vitamina D aumenta forza muscolare e sembra ridurre il rischio di caduta
- Bassi livelli di vitamina D associati ad aumentato rischio di miopatia da statina

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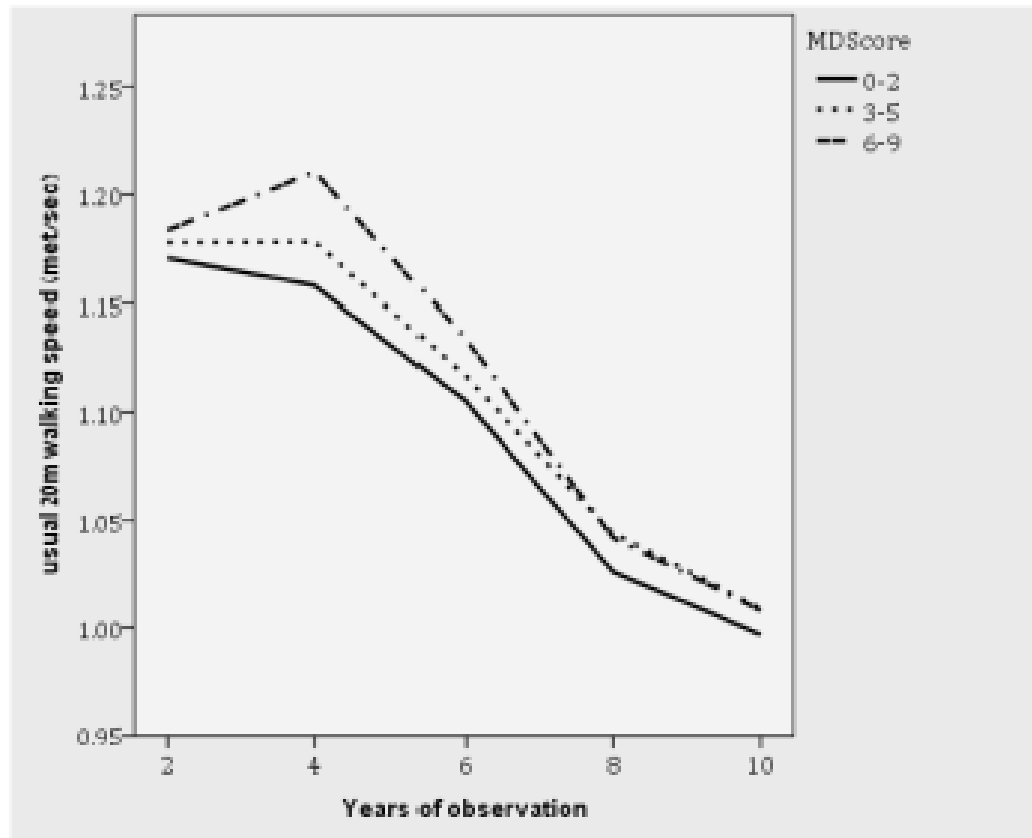
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Shahar DR, 2012

Adherence to Mediterranean diet and decline in walking speed over 8 years in community-dwelling older adults



H-ABC study
2225 well functioning participants
older than 70 years

Conclusion—Walking speed over 8 years was faster among those with higher MedDiet adherence at baseline. The differences remained significant over 8y, suggesting a long-term effect of diet on mobility performance with aging.

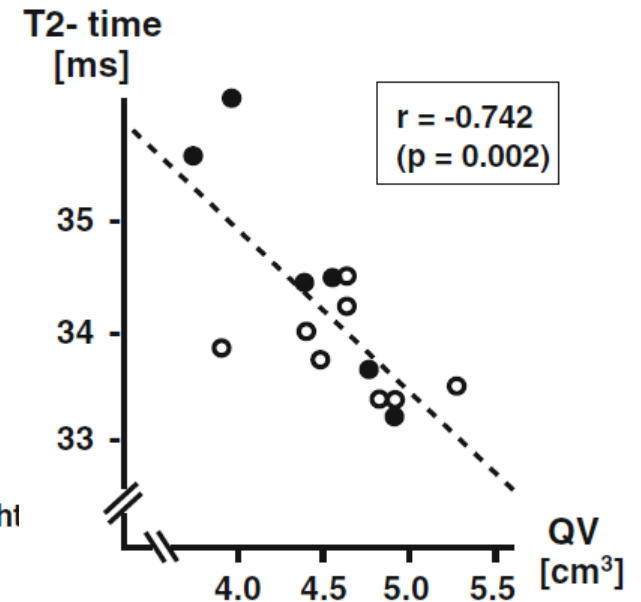
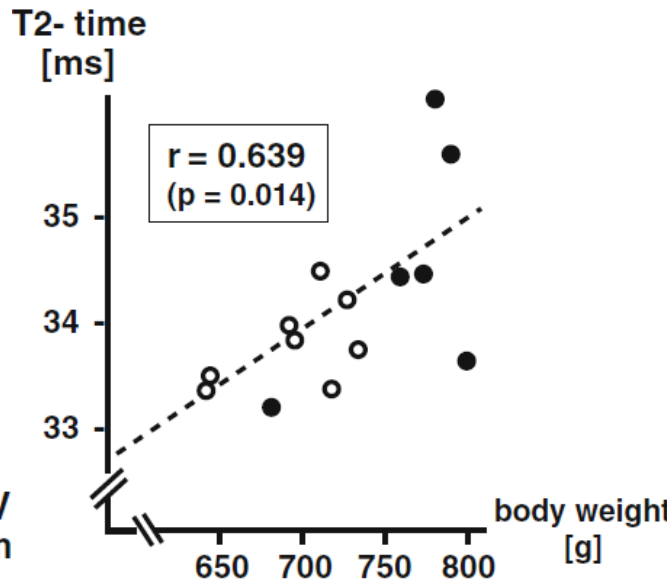
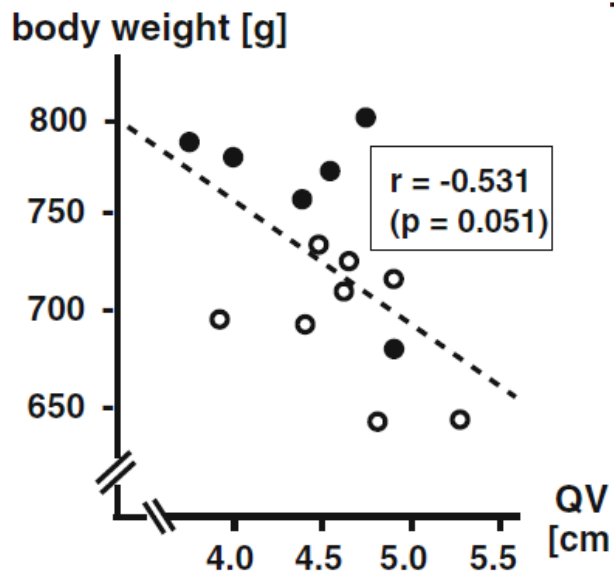
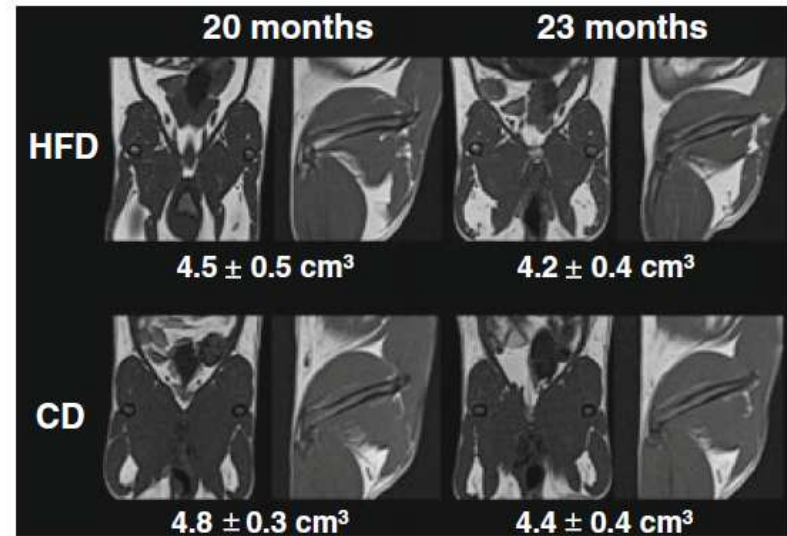
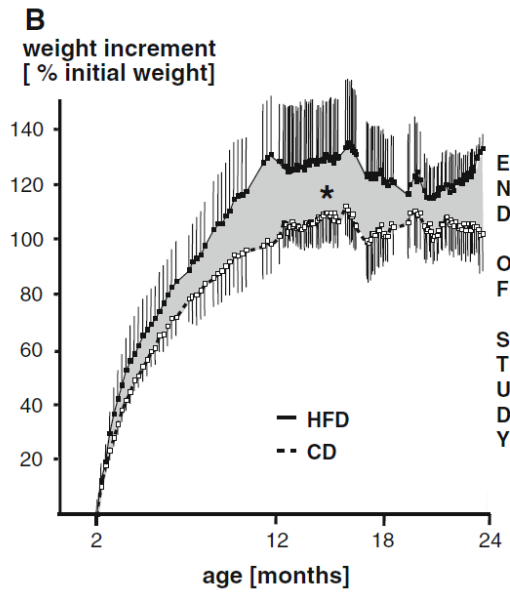
Sarcopenia in the aging high-fat fed rat: a pilot study for modeling sarcopenic obesity in rodents

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Biogerontology (2012) 13:609–620

Male rats
CD 25% fat

HFD 45% fat
Isocaloric
Starting 2
months

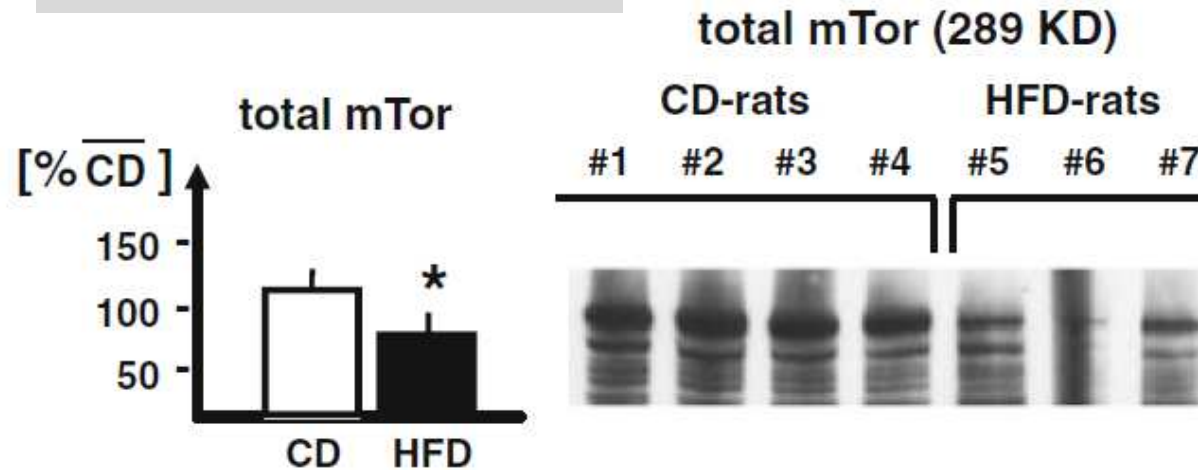


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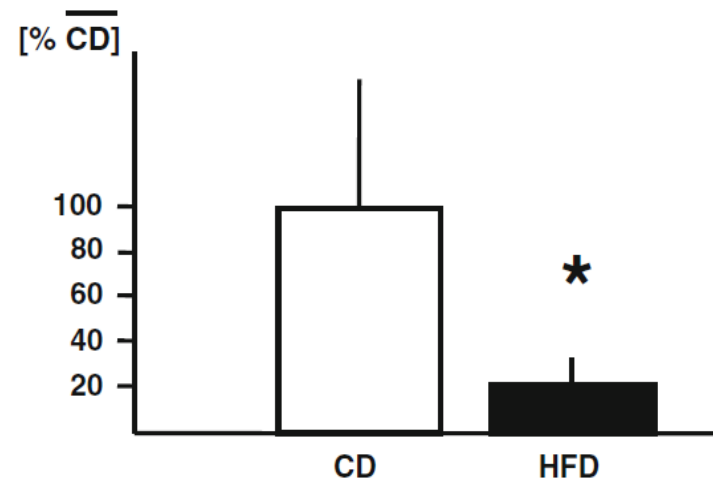
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Vastus lateralis biopsies at 24 months



PGC1 α -mRNA / 18S-rRNA



At 12 months in HFD rats:

Plasma insulin 3-fold higher
Plasma leptin 1.6-fold higher
Plasma adiponectin 20% lower

Sarcopenia nutritional recommendations

Metabolic efficiency in older persons is decreasing, requiring a higher protein intake: a 15%-38% of older men and 27%-41% of old women ingest less than the RDA for protein (B)

A trial of balanced amino-acid supplementation (leucine enriched?) alone and with exercise is recommended (B)

Vitamin D should be measured in all sarcopenic subjects (A)

A. A minimum single randomized- placebo controlled trial or meta-analysis. B. Small trials

J Morley, 2010

New concepts about protein for the Dietary Guidelines

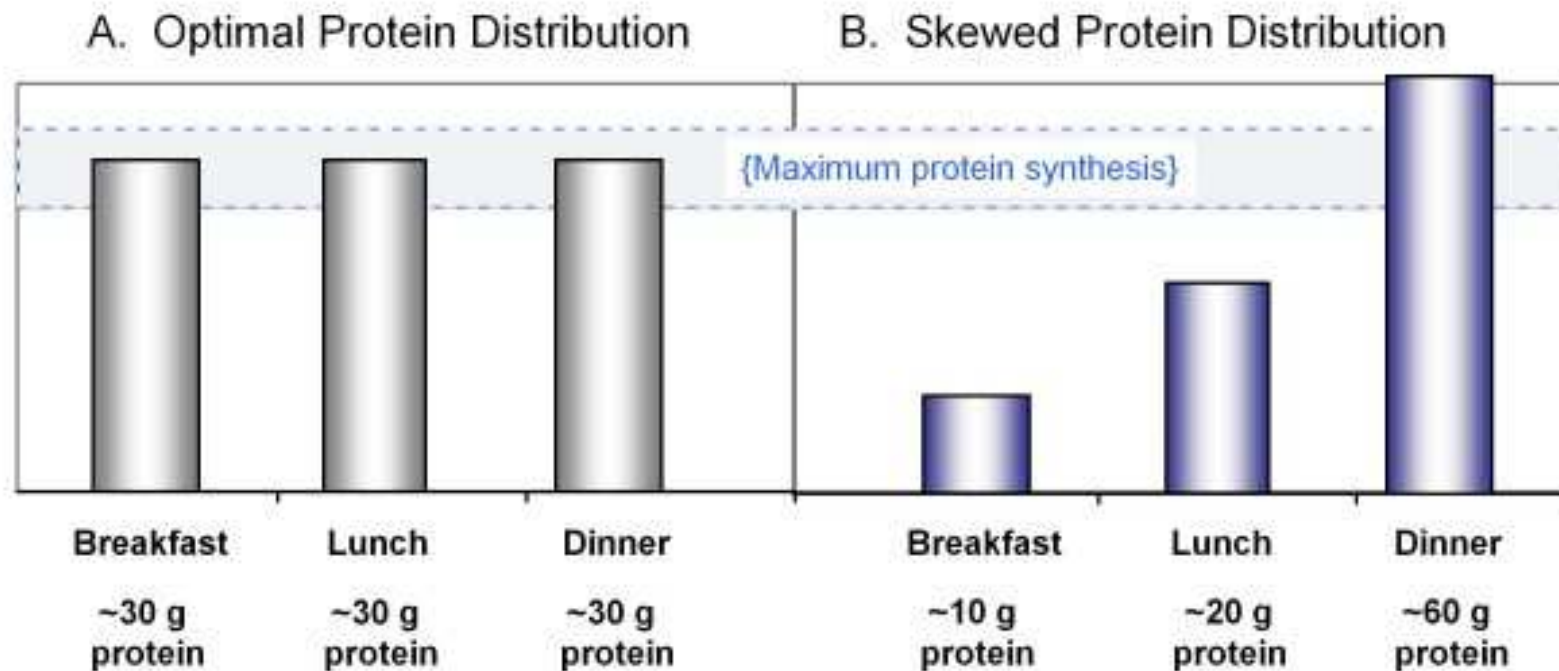


- Protein is a critical part of the adult diet
- Protein needs are proportional to body weight; NOT energy intake
- Adult protein utilization is a function of intake at individual meals
 - Most adults benefit from protein intakes above the minimum RDA (1-1.2g /kg/die)

Layman DK, 2009

**Acceptable Macronutrient Distribution Ranges (AMDR)
is more relevant to normal dietary intake than RDA**

Wolfe et al, 2008



Protein distribution at meals. A) Ingestion of 90 grams of protein, distributed evenly at 3 meals. B) Ingestion of 90 grams of proteins unevenly distributed throughout the day. Stimulating muscle protein synthesis to a maximal extent during the meals shown in Figure 1A is more likely to provide a greater 24 hour protein anabolic response than the unequal protein distribution in Figure 1B.



Drugs for Sarcopenia Treatment

Myostatin

Inhibitors:

- antibody
- receptor decoy
- activity inhibitors

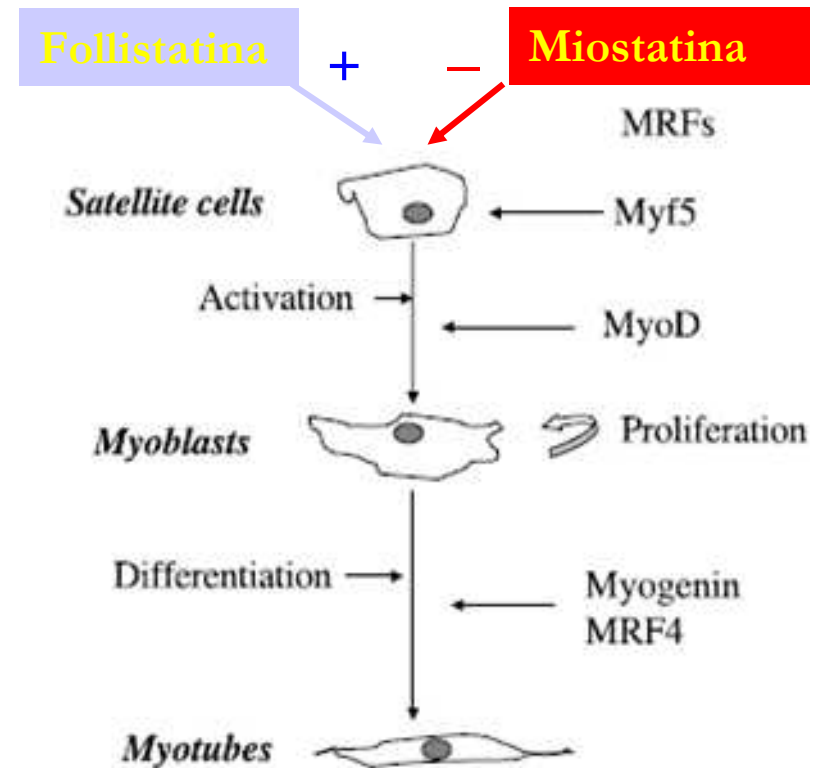
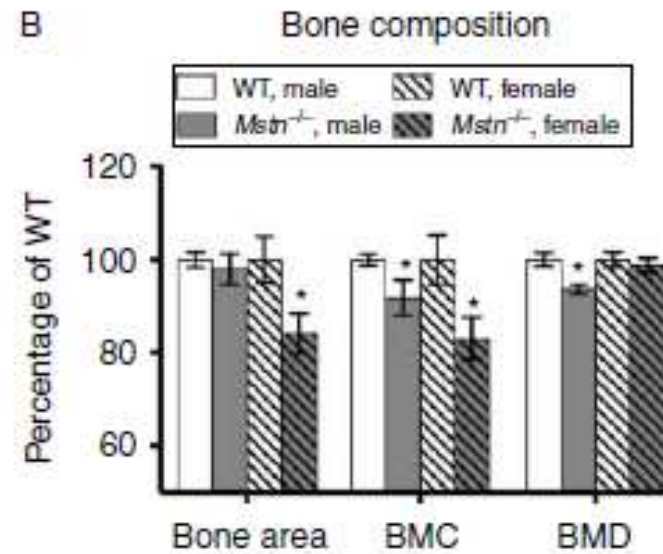
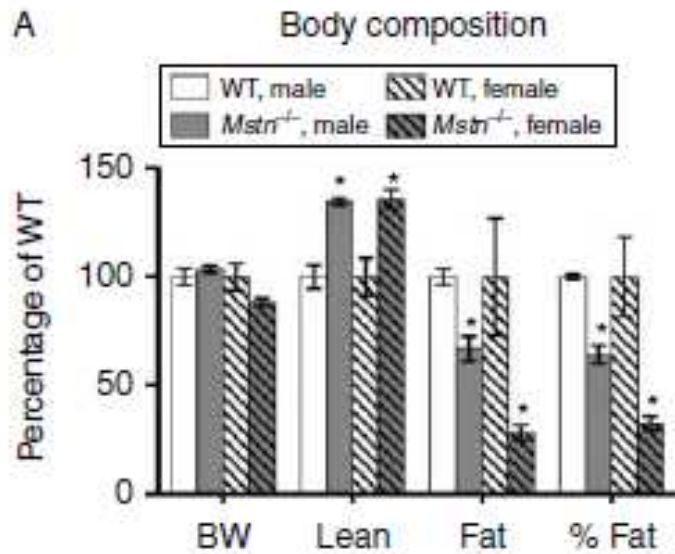


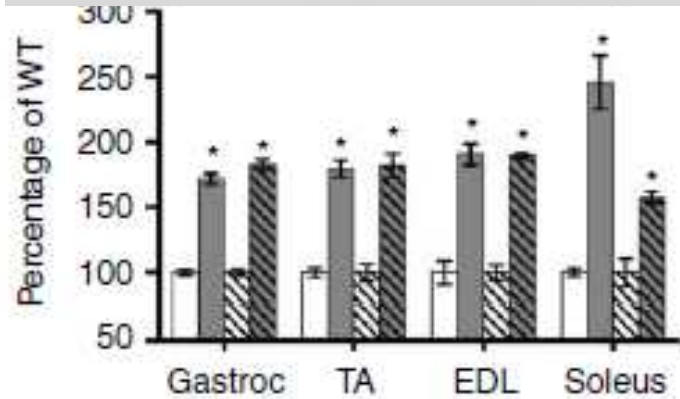


FIG. 2. A fullblood Belgian Blue bull showing the double muscling phenotype.

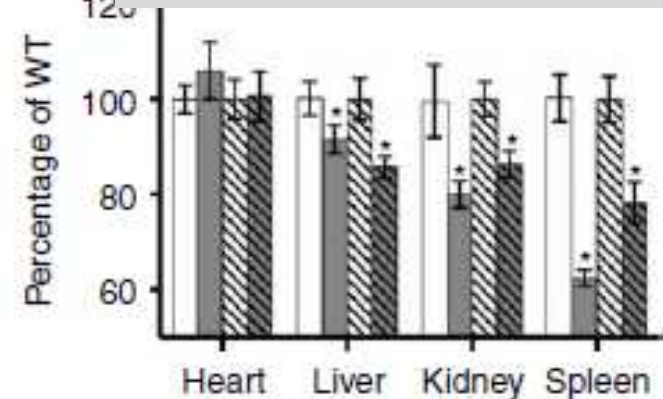
The aging myostatin null phenotype



Weights of muscles type I, type II and mixed 50-150 % greater in *Mstn*^{-/-}



Liver, kidney, spleen weights lower in *Mstn*^{-/-}



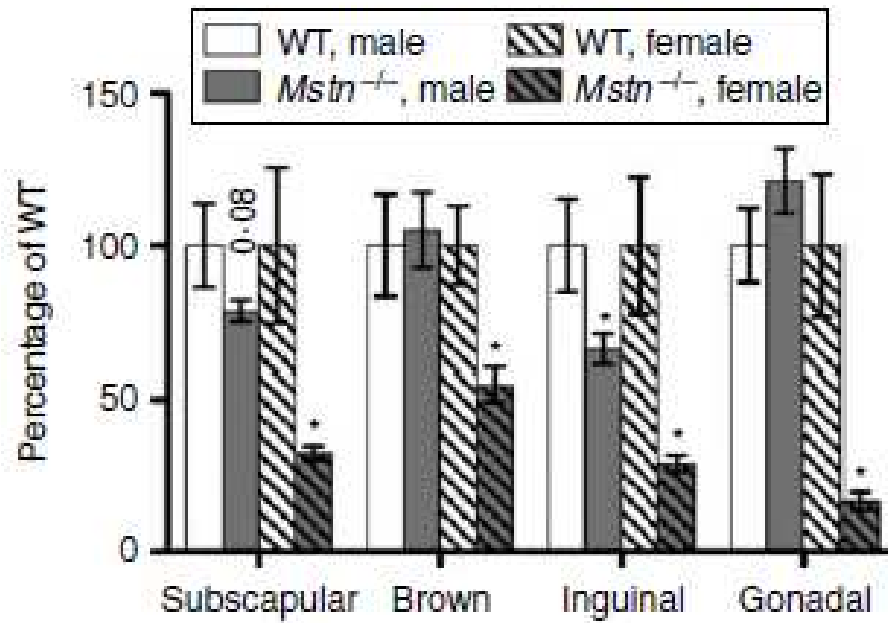
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Body morphology



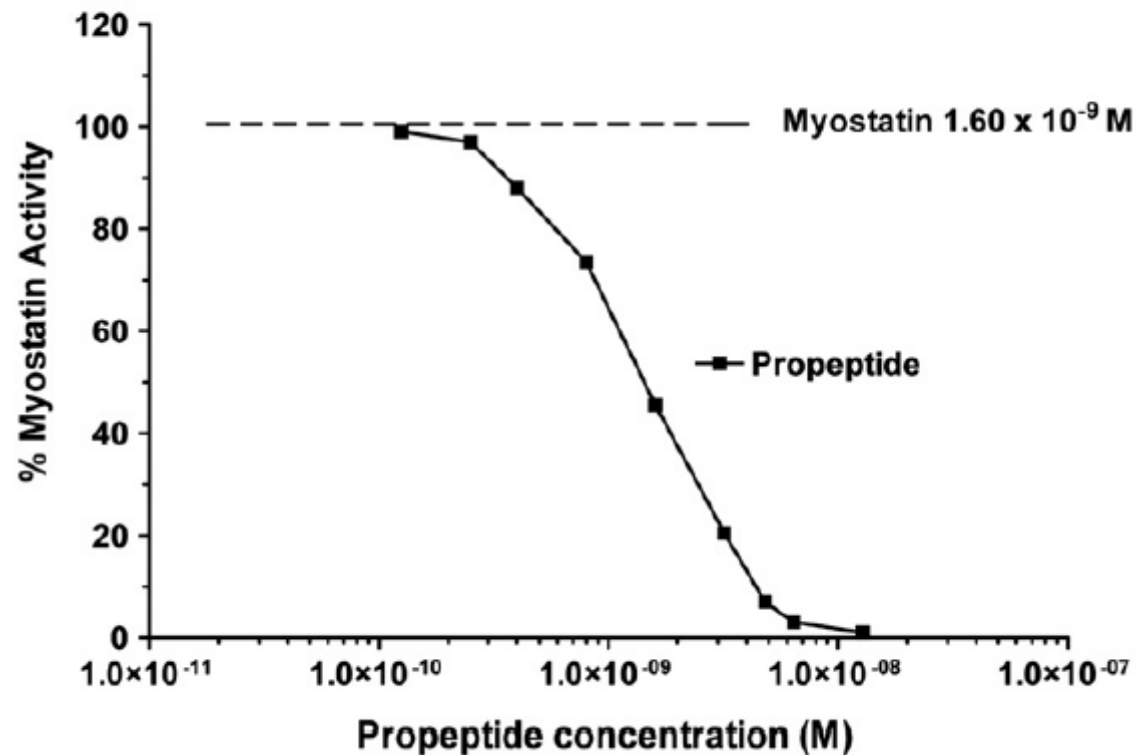
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Adipose tissue weights



A myostatin inhibitor (propeptide-Fc) increases muscle mass and muscle fiber size in aged mice but does not increase bone density or bone strength ☆

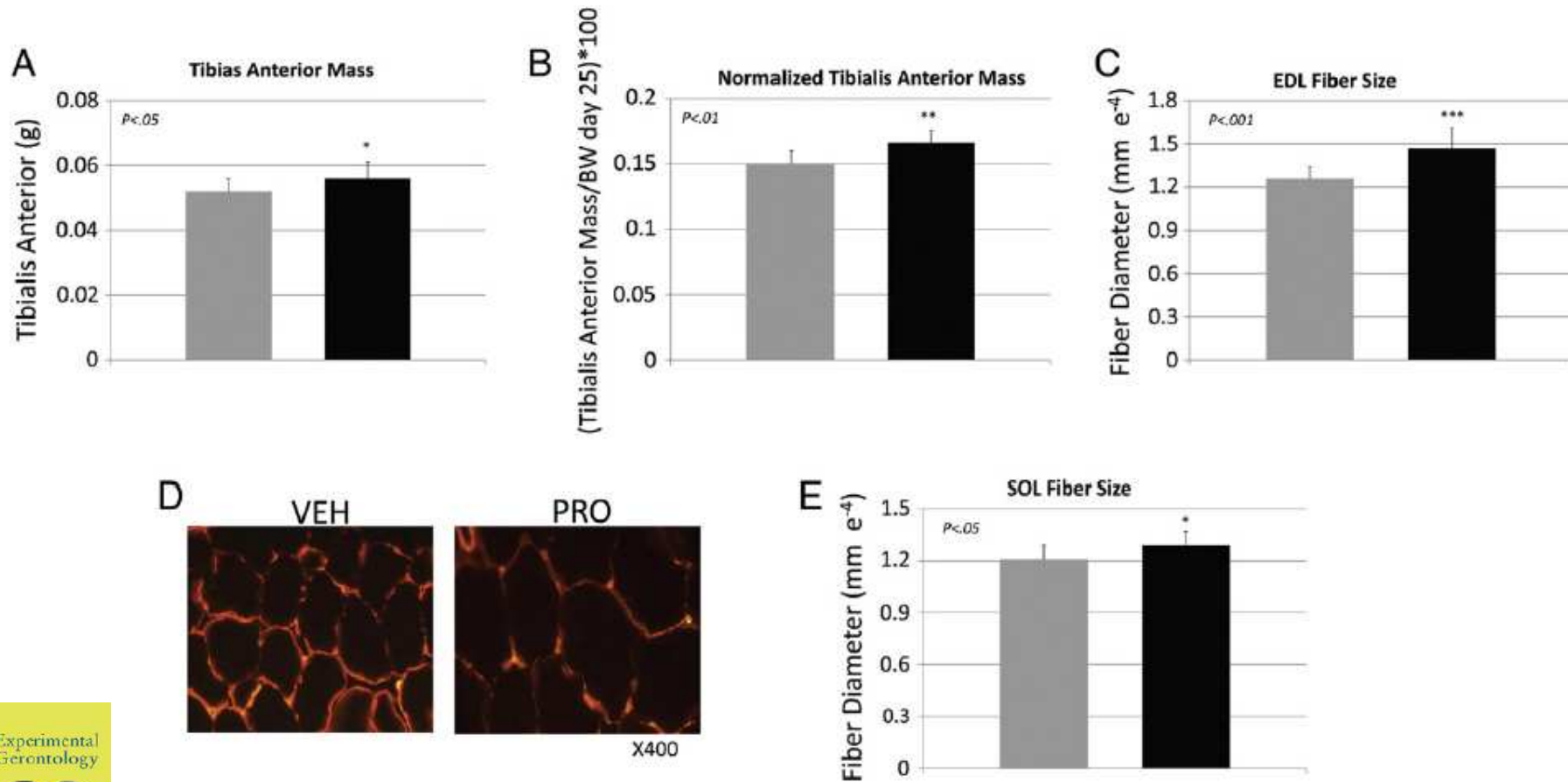
Myostatin propeptide prevents the binding of myostatin to its receptor

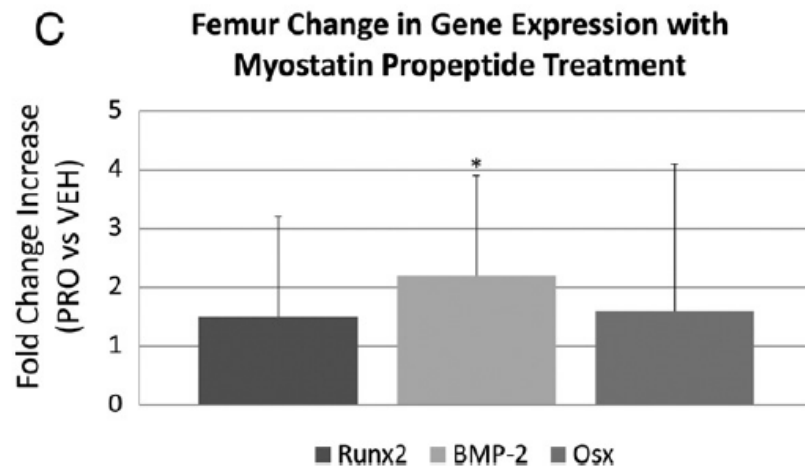
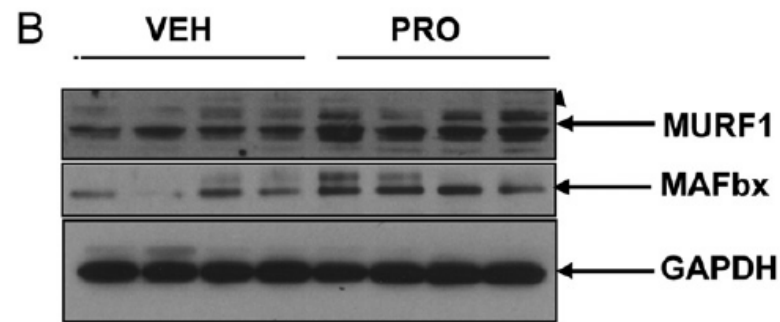
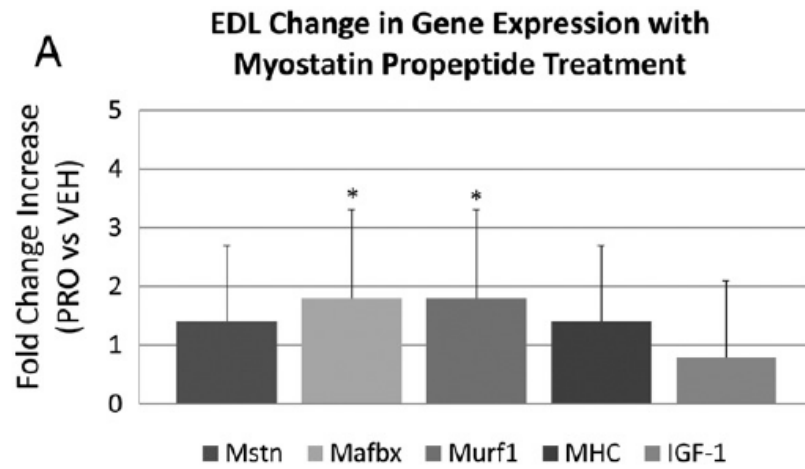


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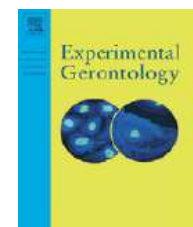
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Male mice 22-m old:
20mg/kg myostatin propeptide (PRO) body weight i.p. for 25 days vs vehicle (VEH)



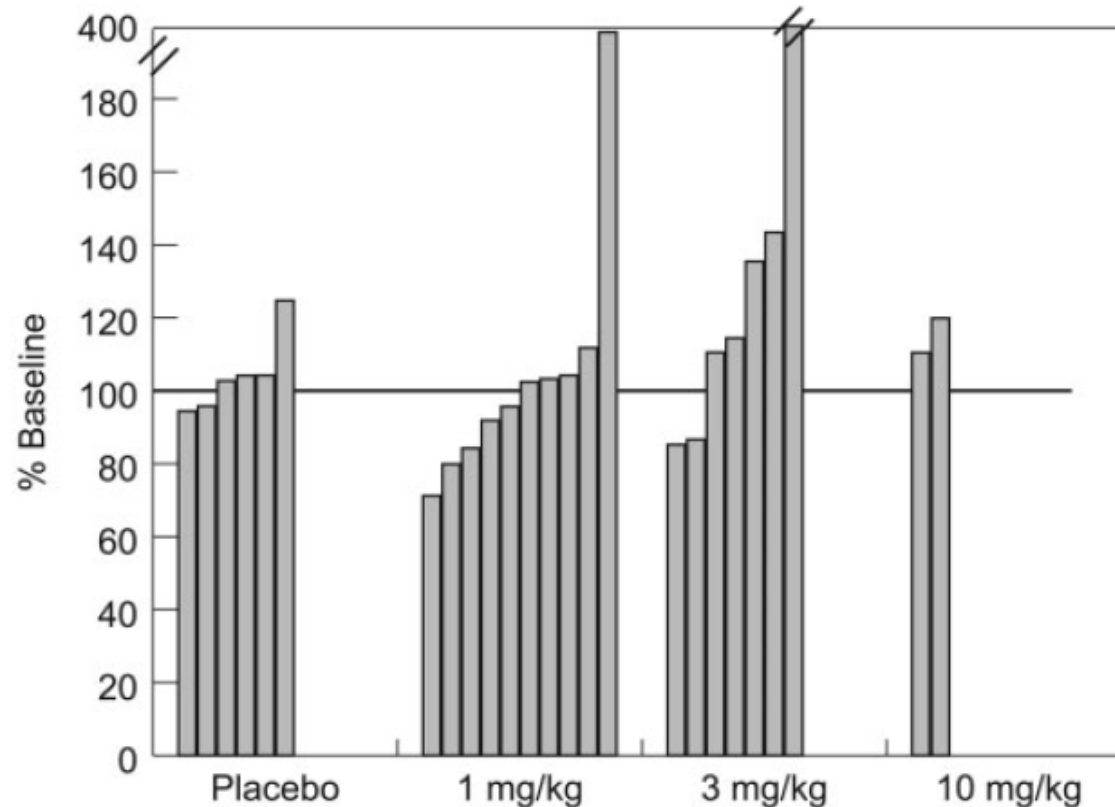


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A Phase I/II trial of MYO-029 in Adult Subjects with Muscular Dystrophy

percentage change in muscle fiber diameter before and after treatment.



Methods: This double-blind, placebo-controlled, multinational, randomized study included 116 subjects divided into sequential dose-escalation cohorts, each receiving MYO-029 or placebo (Cohort 1 at 1mg/kg; Cohort 2 at 3mg/kg; Cohort 3 at 10mg/kg; Cohort 4 at 30mg/kg). Safety and adverse events were assessed by reported signs and symptoms, as well as by physical examinations, laboratory results, echocardiograms, electrocardiograms, and in subjects with facioscapulohumeral dystrophy, fundus-copic and audiometry examinations. Biological activity of MYO-029 was assessed through manual muscle testing, quantitative muscle testing, timed function tests, subject-reported outcomes, magnetic resonance imaging studies, dual-energy radiographic absorptiometry studies, and muscle biopsy.

Apoptosis in Skeletal Myocytes: A Potential Target for Interventions against Sarcopenia and Physical Frailty – A Mini-Review

	Apoptotic signaling pathways			
	extrinsic	mitochondrial caspase-dependent	mitochondrial caspase-independent	sarcoplasmic reticulum pathway
<i>Behavioral interventions</i>				
CR	↓	↓	↓	↓
Resveratrol (CR mimetic)	–	↓	–	–
Exercise training	↓	↓	–	–
<i>Drugs and hormones</i>				
Enalapril	–	↓	↔	–
Acetaminophen	–	↓ ^a	↓ ^a	–
Antimyostatin antibody	↓ ^b	↓ ^b	–	↓ ^b
Q10 + creatine + ginseng	–	↓ ^a	↓ ^a	–
Testosterone ^c	?	?	?	?
<i>Genetic manipulations</i>				
PGC-1α overexpression	–	↓	–	–

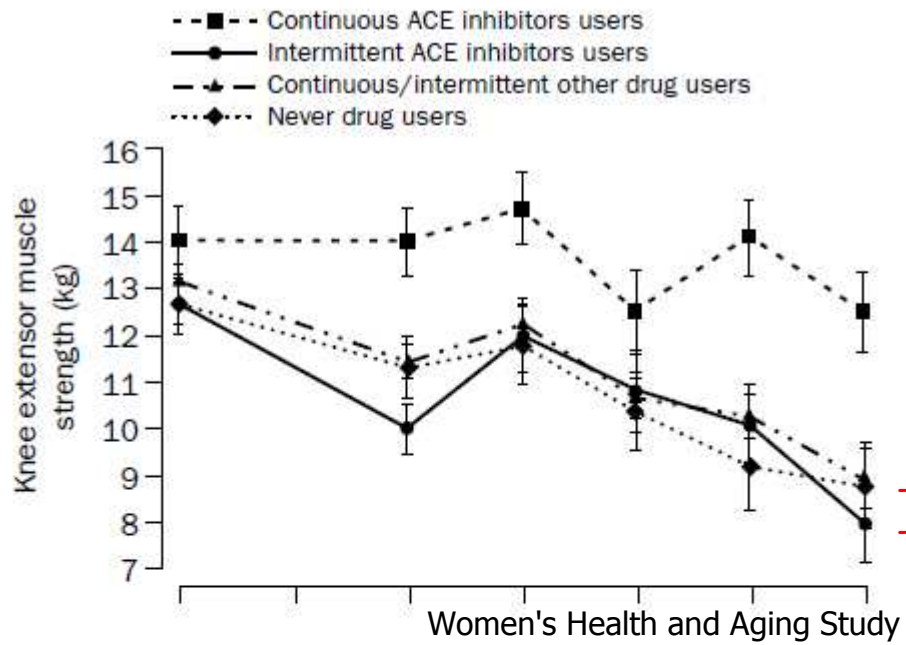
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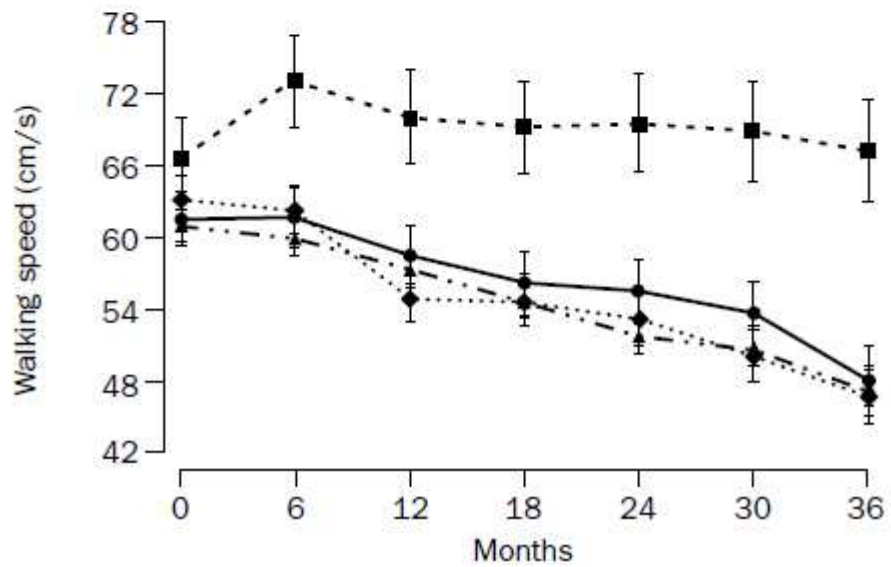
Drugs for Sarcopenia Treatment: Ancillary Effects

- Ace-Inhibitors ?
- Statin ?

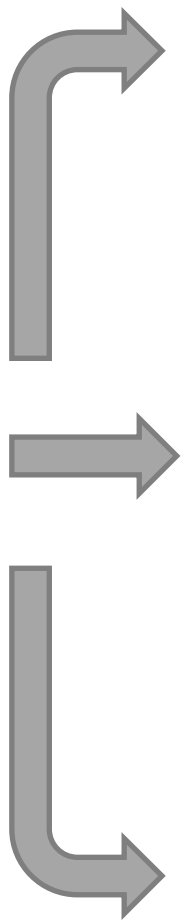


641 Women Health and Aging Study
old disabled women
without CHF

Follow-up 3 years



Effect of ACE INHIBITORS on skeletal muscle



Muscle fibers type effect

Shift from type I to type II

- ↑ Muscle fiber areas
- ↑ Aerobic activity

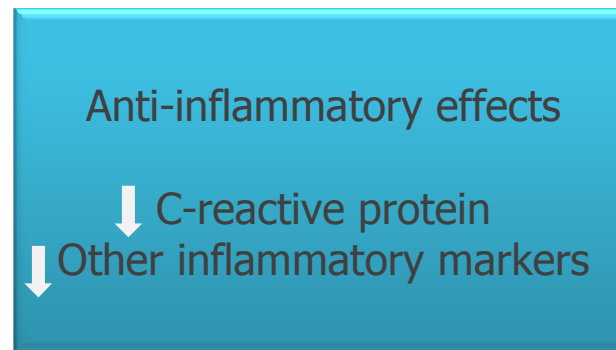
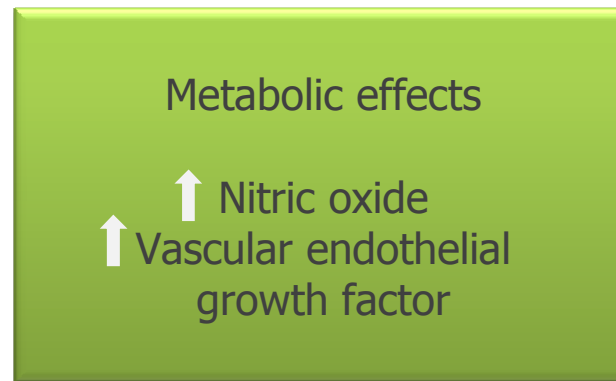
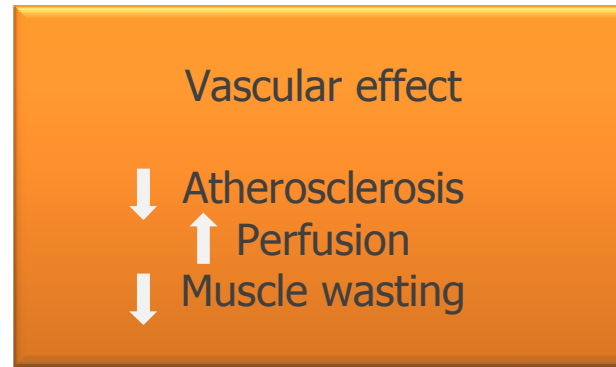
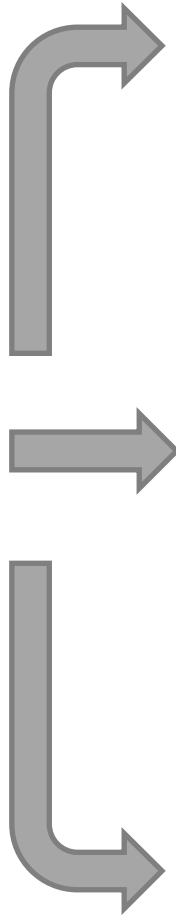
Metabolic effects

- ↑ IGF-1 and IGFBP-3
- ↑ Insulin sensitivity
- ↓ Muscle loss
- ↑ Endothelial cell growth
- ↑ Skeletal muscle blood flow

Anti-inflammatory and nutritional effects

- ↓ IL-6, TNF-α
- ↓ Muscle loss
- ↑ Sympathetic activity
- ↑ Intestinal nutrient absorption

Effect of STATIN on skeletal muscle



Potential Study End Point

Advantages

Muscle mass

Readily measured and central to the condition of sarcopenia; relevant to expected actions of several potential interventions (see Table 1)

Muscle strength

Easily measured; important component of physical function and correlates with clinical outcomes

Falls

Clinically important and of prognostic value

Fractures

Clinically important; accepted as regulatory endpoint in osteoporosis

Walking and other physical performance measures

Relevant to ambulatory function; treadmill assessments, walking speed and 6-minute walk accepted as regulatory endpoints for other indications

Patient-reported outcomes

Probably most relevant to patients' ambulatory function and quality of life

Considerations in the Development of Drugs to Treat Sarcopenia

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