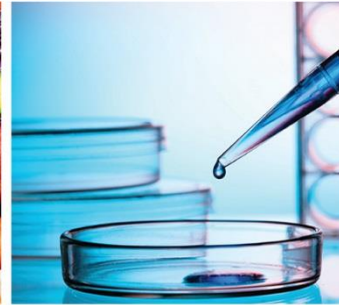


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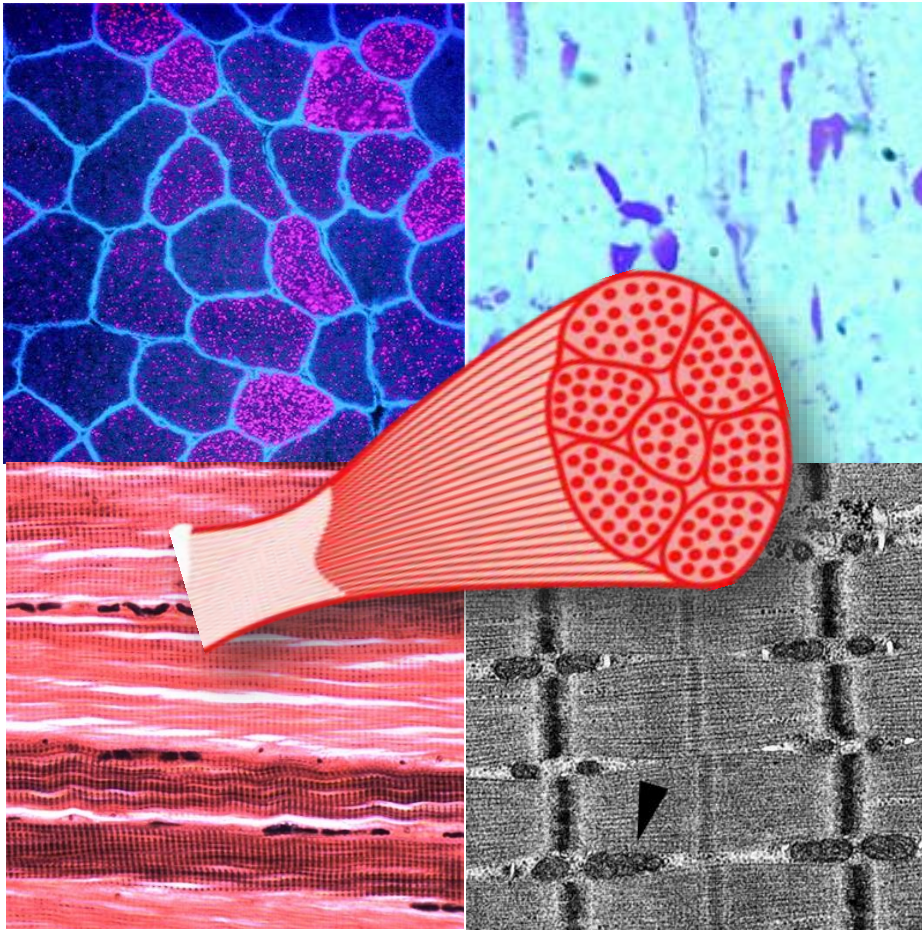


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# **Nutrition Across the Lifespan for Healthy Aging: muscular systems.**

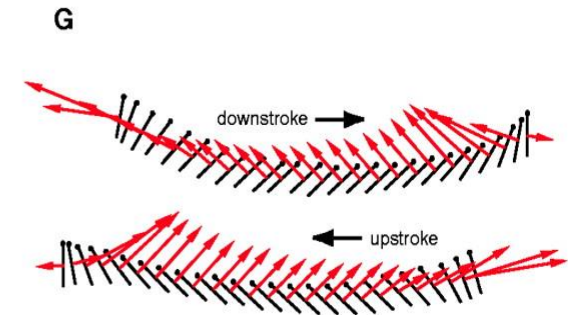
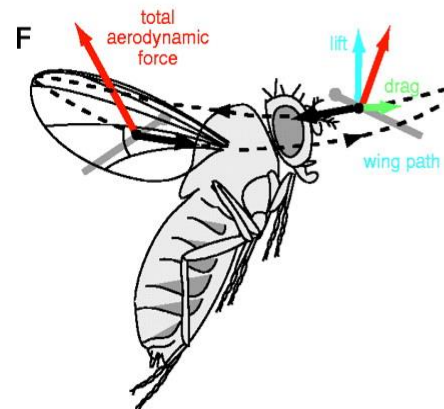
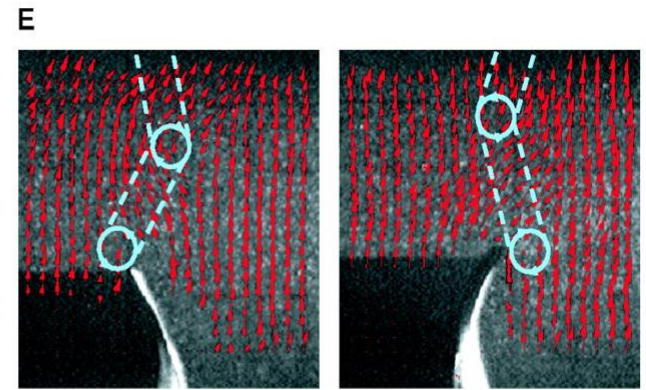
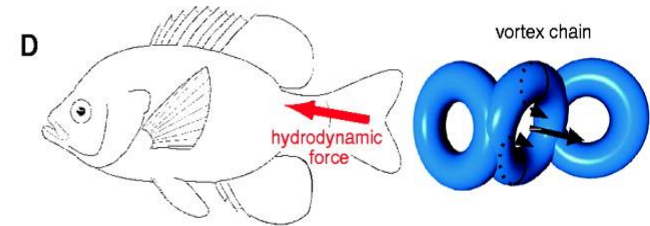
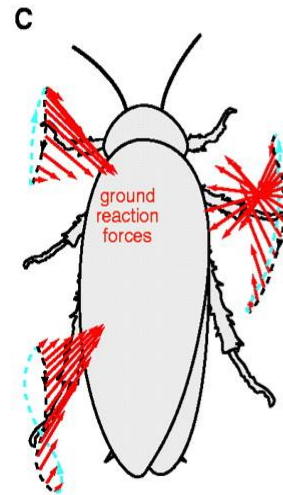
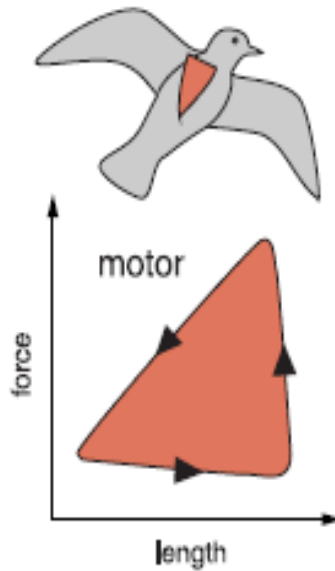
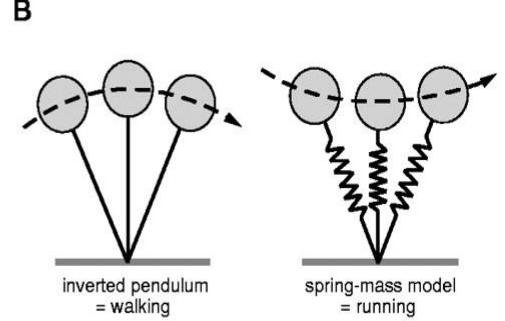
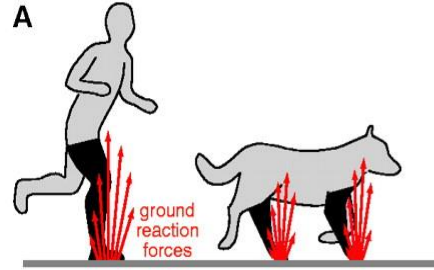
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# Skeletal Muscle Matters!



- Makes up 45-50% of body mass
- Fundamental role in locomotion, O<sub>2</sub> consumption, whole-body energy metabolism, and substrate turnover and storage
- Secretory organ (“myokines”)
- Robust skeletal muscle is a central factor in whole-body health and essential for maintaining energy homeostasis

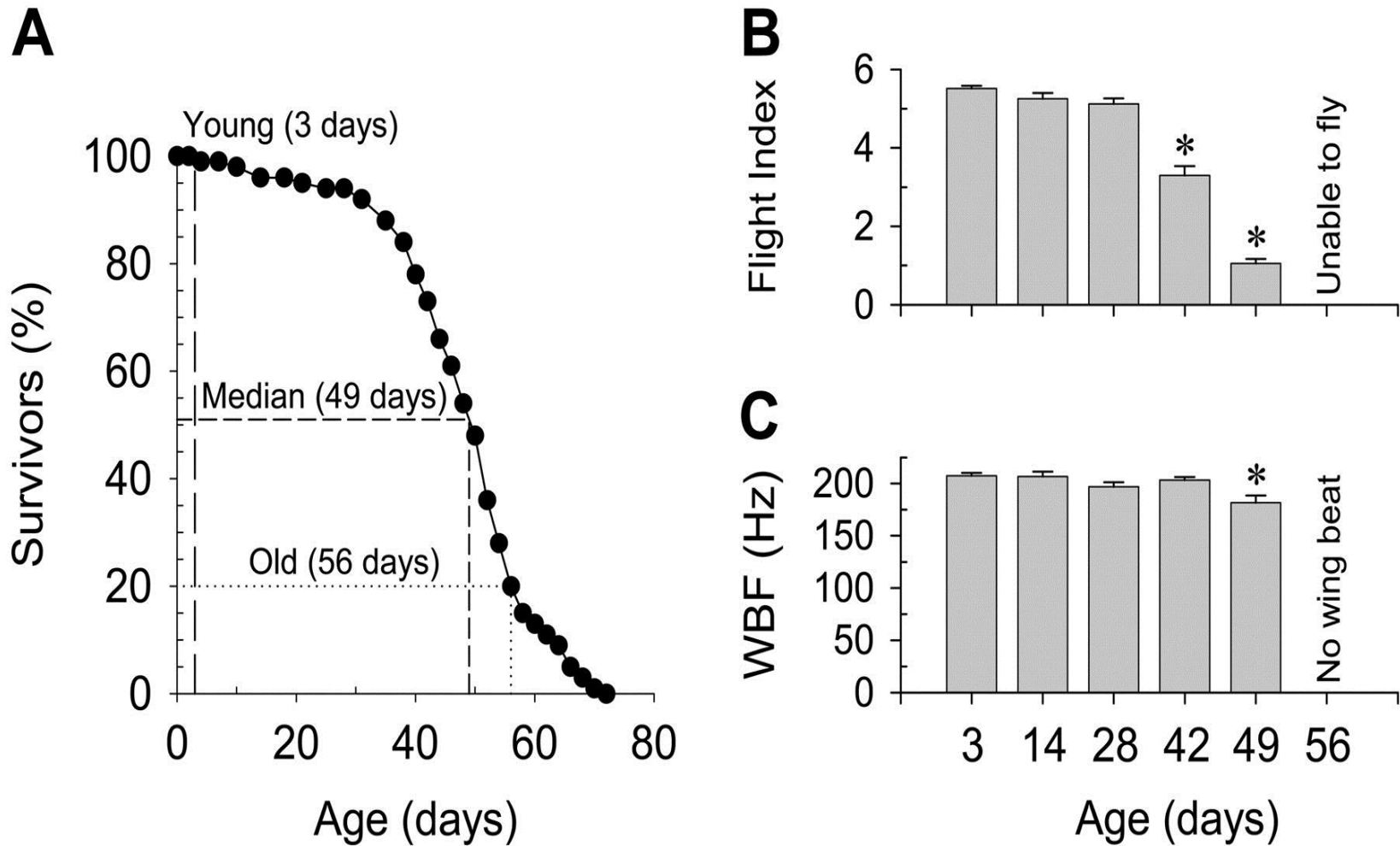
# Mobility across species



Dickinson et al.  
*Science* 2000;  
288:5463



# Aging drosophila and performance



Miller et al. *Biophys J* 2008;95:2391

# Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey

## Ability to walk ¼ mile, health care cost and hospitalization rates

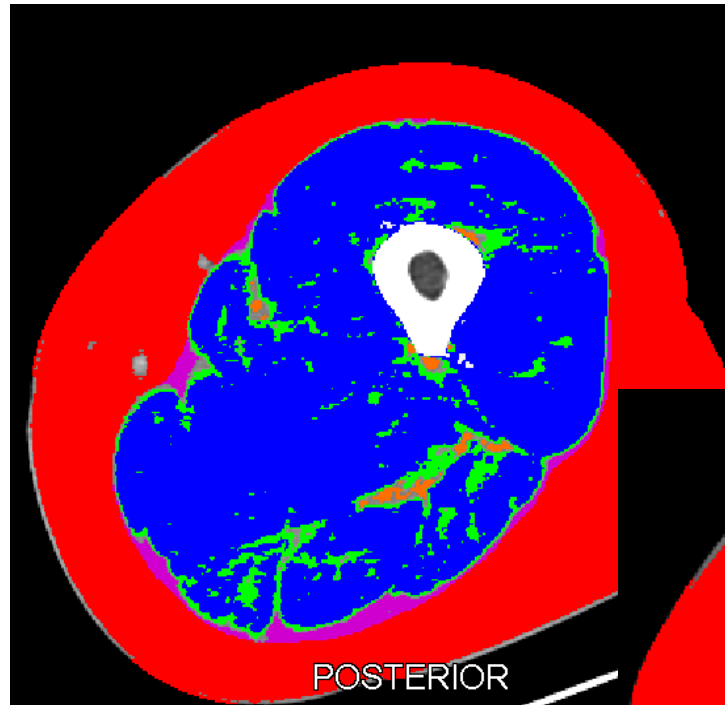
Table 4. Adjusted 2004 Health Care Costs and Hospitalization Rates for Community-Dwelling Medicare Beneficiaries Aged 65 or Older by Self-Reported Ability to Walk 1/4 Mile (N=5493)\*

	Ability to Walk 1/4 Mile		
	No Difficulty	Difficulty	Unable
Mean annual cost, in \$1000 s <sup>†</sup>			
Total	9.51 (8.80- 10.21)	12.28 (11.17- 13.39)	13.42 (11.73- 15.12)
Out-of-pocket	1.75 (1.60- 1.91)	2.03 (1.79- 2.26)	1.85 (1.61- 2.10)
Hospitalizations per 100 persons <sup>‡</sup>	25.1 (21.8- 28.4)	39.2 (34.0- 44.3)	47.3 (40.6- 54.0)

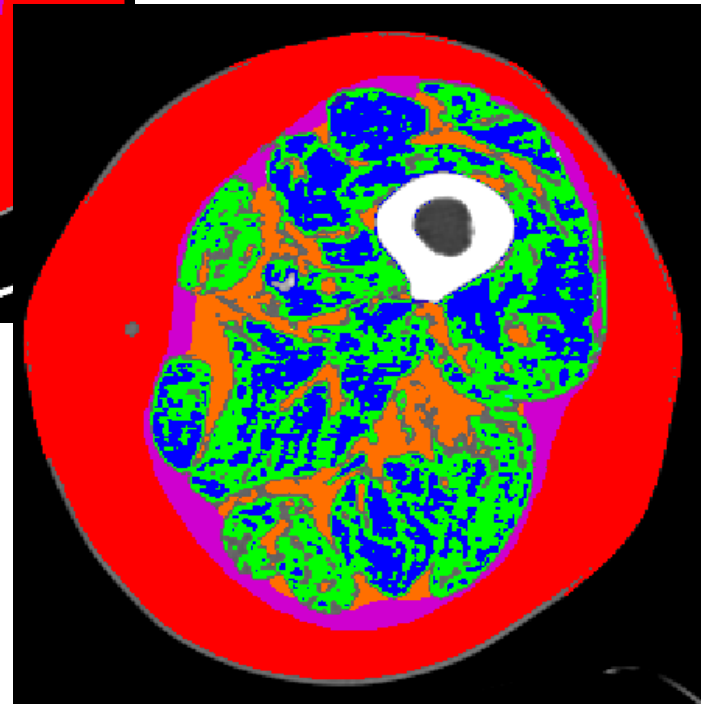
Hardy et al. *J Gen Intern Med Online*; 2010:Oct 23

# Sarcopenia: Age-associated loss in muscle mass and function

Female 70 yrs.  
BMI = 23.3



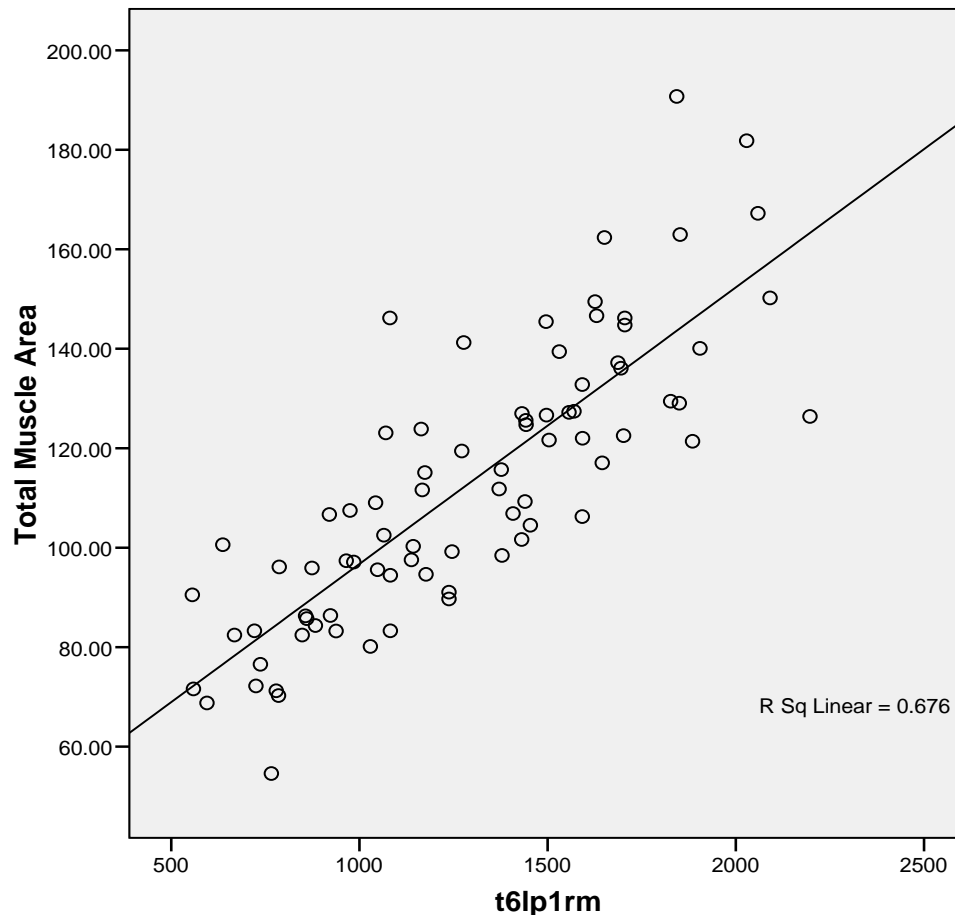
Female 85 yrs.  
BMI = 24.6



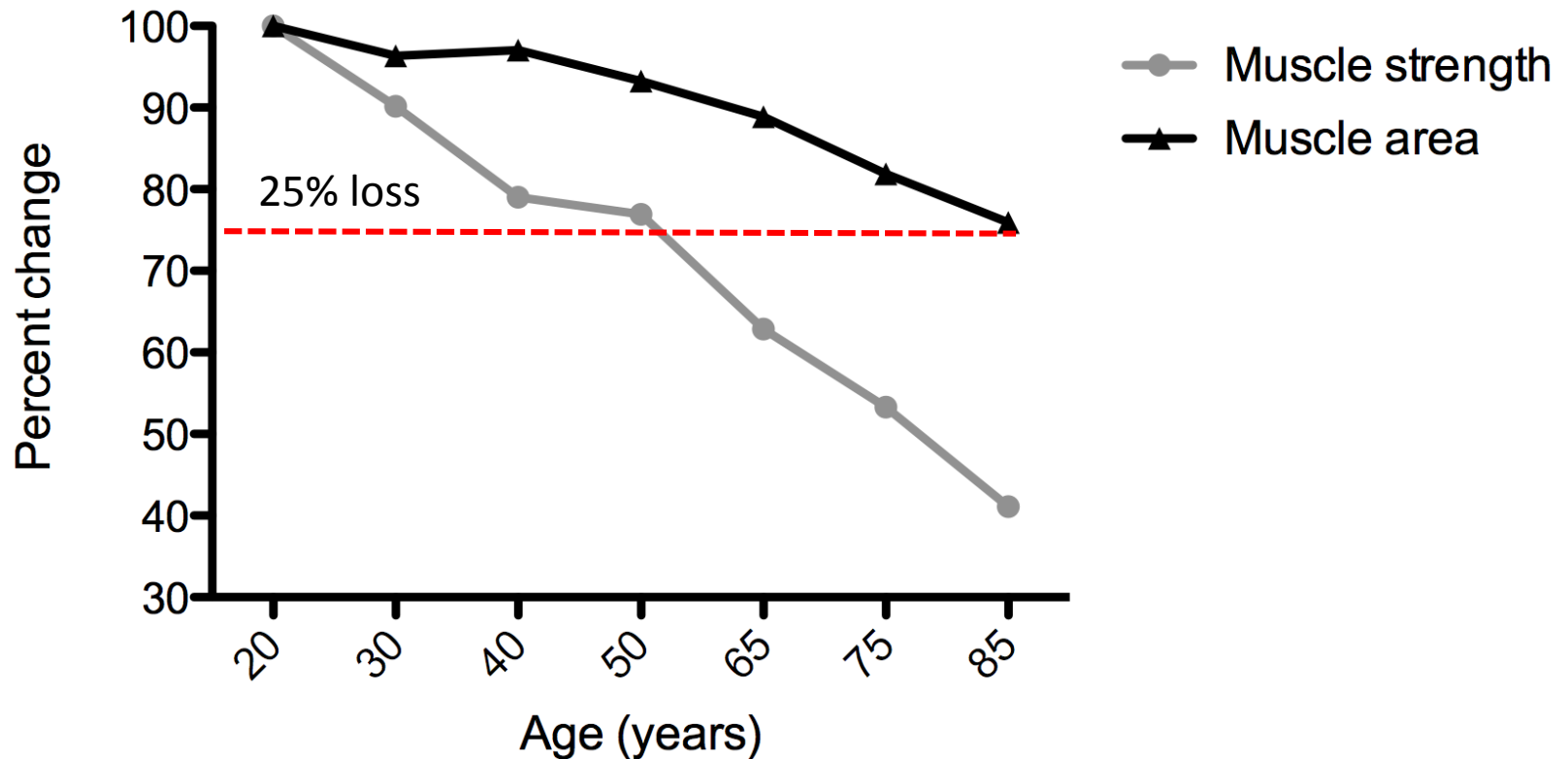
# STRENGTH-MASS CONVERGENCE:

## Correlation of Quadriceps Total Muscle Area vs. Muscle Strength

$$R^2 = 0.676$$



# Age-related loss in muscle performance





# Despite high prevalence & major implications

- Sarcopenia still has no:
  - Broadly accepted clinical definition
  - Consensus diagnostic criteria
  - Treatment guidelines
- Since 2005 – renewed efforts to define sarcopenia:
  - Several organizations from Europe and US
- **October 2016 establishment of ICD 10 code for sarcopenia**

# **Agreement Among Sarcopenia Consensus Definitions:**

- All have included objective measure of muscle/lean mass.
- All have incorporated muscle weakness or reduced physical functioning into the definition.
- Encouraging evidence-based data from FNIH project.

# Weakness and lean mass cut points:

## Lean Mass in Men and Women

Cutpoint	Men	Women
Weakness		
Recommended: grip strength (GSMAX)	<26 kg	<16 kg
Alternate: grip strength adjusted for BMI ( $GSMAX_{BMI}$ )	<1.0	<0.56
Appendicular lean body mass		
Recommended: ALM adjusted for BMI ( $ALM_{BMI}$ )	<0.789	<0.512
Alternate: ALM	<19.75 kg	<15.02 kg

# What is the prevalence of sarcopenia among older adults?

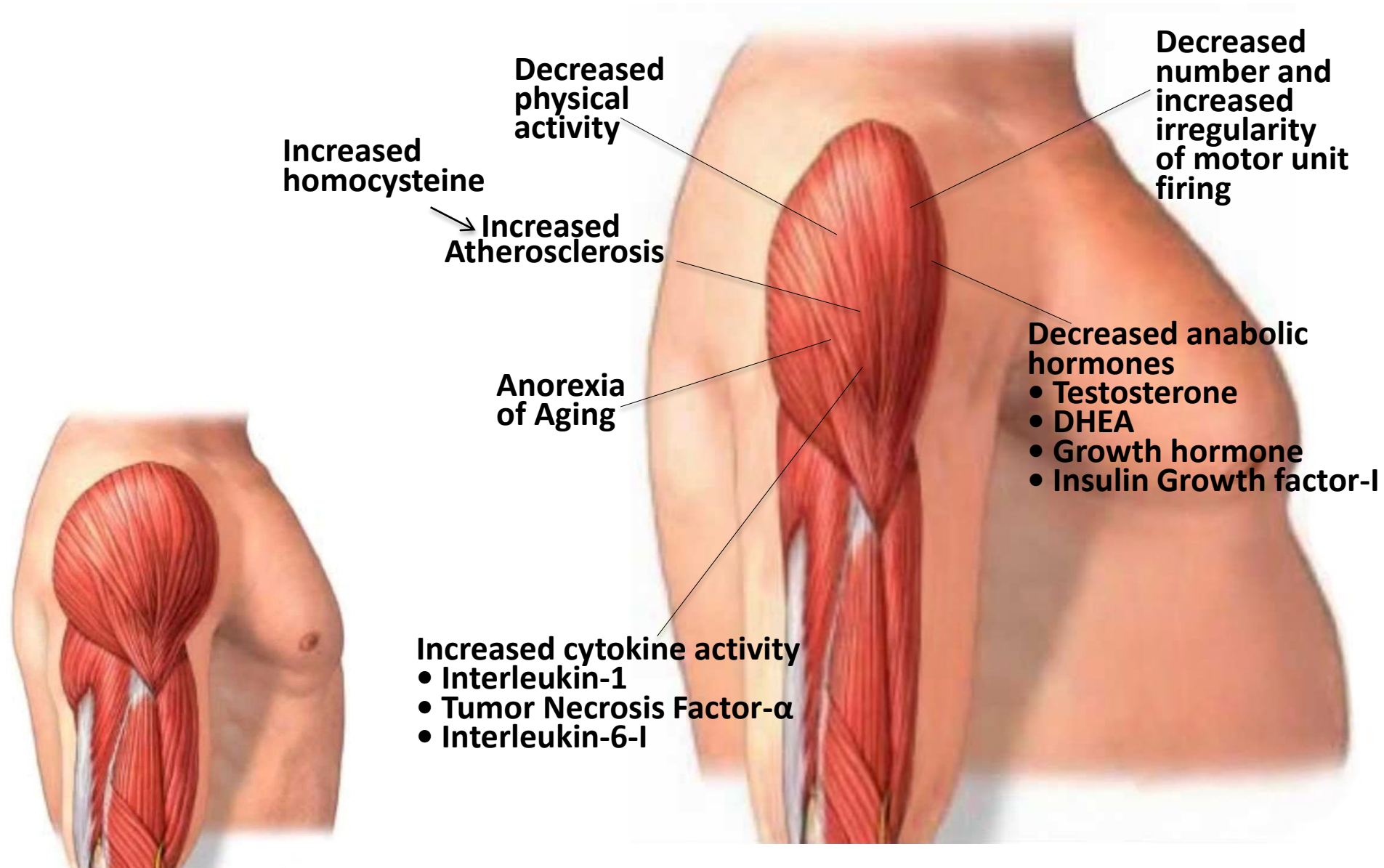
- Range varies depend on operational definition employed
- Gender differences
- Increases with advancing age
- Depends on the population (health status, dietary patterns, comorbidities)
- Varies anywhere from 0.5 to 13% (FNIH data)

# Prevalence of sarcopenia by definition:

Criteria	Operational Definition			Prevalence (%)	
	Physical Performance	Muscle Strength	ALM	Men (n = 7,113)	Women (n = 2,950)
Foundation of NIH Sarcopenia Project					
Weakness and low lean mass	—	Grip strength Men: <26 kg Women: <16 kg	ALM <sub>BMI</sub> Men: <0.789 Women: <0.512	1.3	2.3
Slowness with weakness and low lean mass	Gait speed: ≤0.8 m/s	Grip strength Men: <26 kg Women: <16 kg	ALM <sub>BMI</sub> Men: <0.789 Women: <0.512	0.5	1.8
International Working Group	Gait speed: <1.0 m/s	—	ALM/ht <sup>2</sup> Men: ≤7.23 kg/m <sup>2</sup> Women: ≤5.67 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	5.1	11.8
European Working Group on Sarcopenia Older Persons					
Sarcopenia	Gait speed: <0.8 m/s or Grip strength Men: <30 kg Women: <20 kg		ALM/ht <sup>2</sup> Men: ≤7.23 kg/m <sup>2</sup> Women: ≤5.67 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	5.3	13.3
Severe sarcopenia	Gait speed: <0.8 m/s	Grip strength Men: <30 kg Women: <20 kg	ALM/ht <sup>2</sup> Men: ≤7.23 kg/m <sup>2</sup> Women: ≤5.67 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	0.7	2.9

**Dam et al. *J Gerontol*; 2014 FNIH**

# Multifactorial origins of sarcopenia



Young muscle



# Nutrition/physical activity interventions\*:

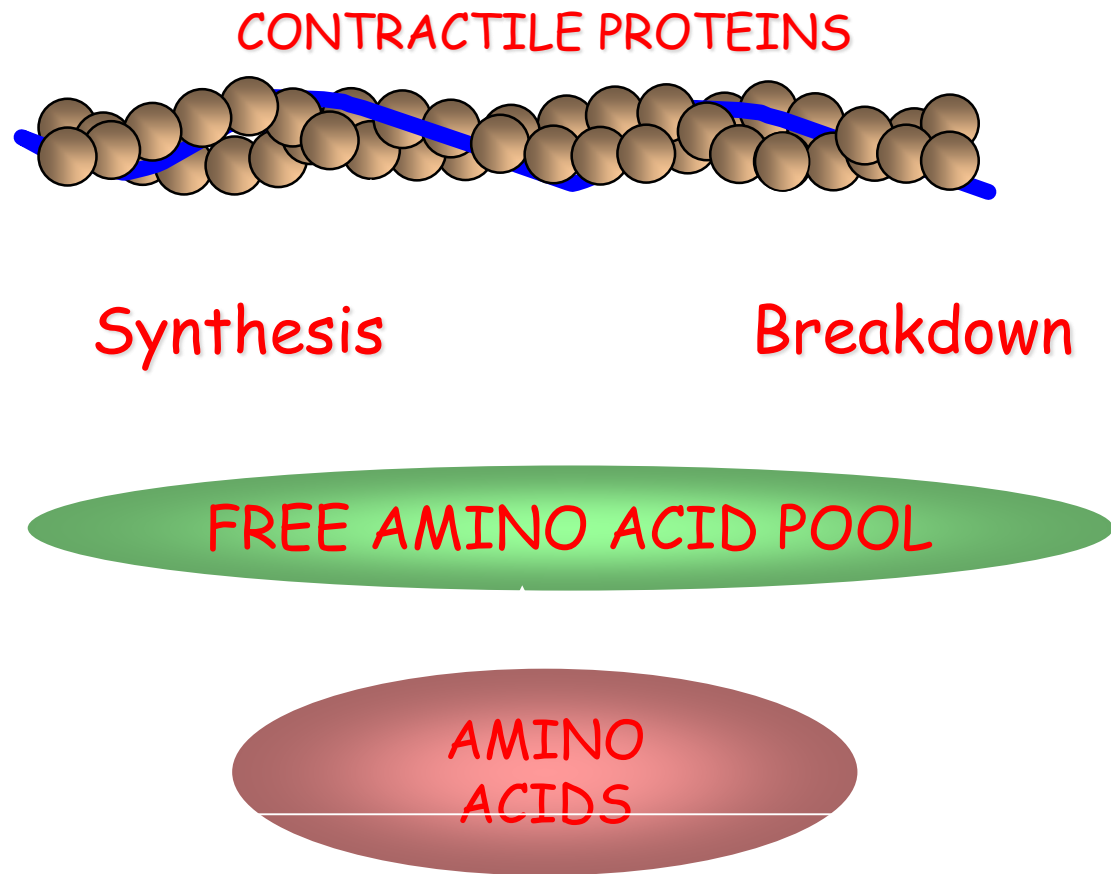
- Dietary Interventions:
  - Protein nutrition/adequacy
  - Vitamin D intake/sufficiency
  - Other micronutrients (anti-inflammatory diet patterns, anti-oxidants, B-vitamins)
- Physical activity/Exercise interventions:
  - Resistance exercise
  - Aerobic exercise
  - Combined
- Multi-modality interventions

**\*Potentially important targets for therapy but may also be modifiers of response in Pharma trials.**

# Protein metabolism and sarcopenia

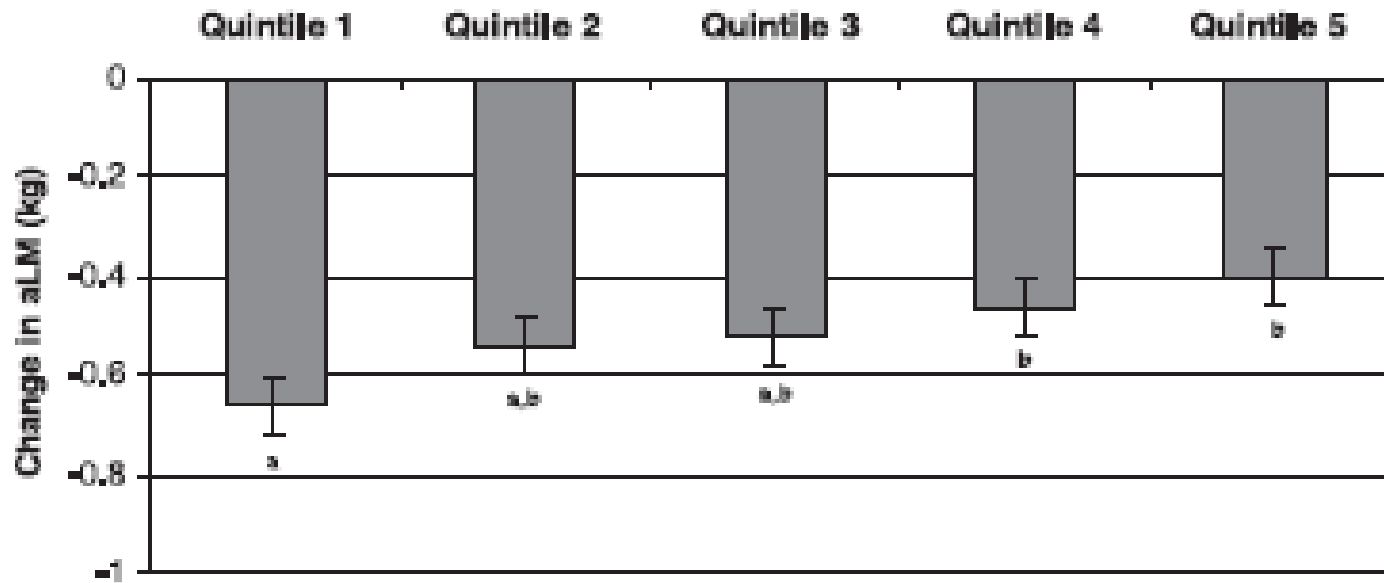
- Balance of protein synthesis and degradation
- Adequacy of dietary intake of protein in older adults
- Evidence of relationship between protein intake and change in muscle mass with aging

# Metabolic Control of Muscle Mass



$\text{Synthesis} - \text{Breakdown} = \text{Net Balance}$

# Dietary protein intake and change in lean mass



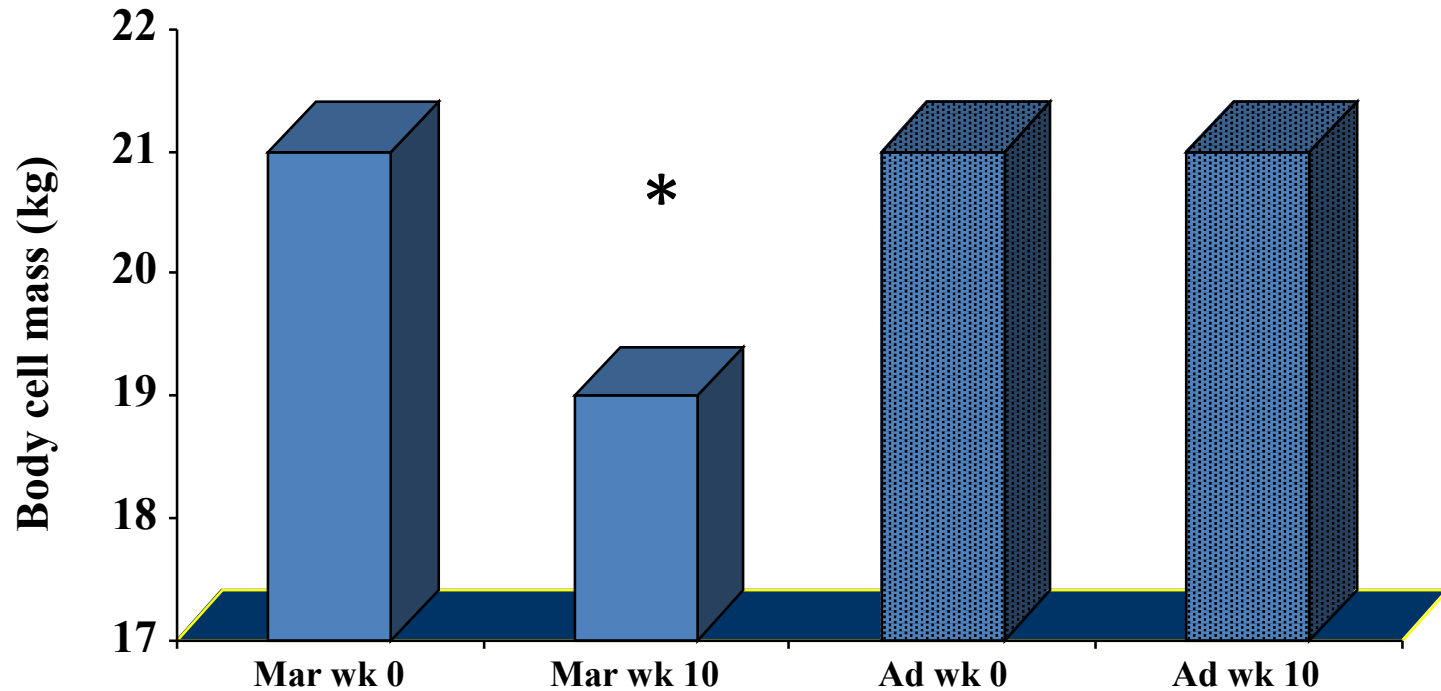
Protein intake ranged from 0.7 to 1.1 g/kg/day

# Influence of dietary protein on Sarcopenia in elderly women

- Randomized double-blind intervention 10-wks.
- 12 healthy older women (66 – 79 yrs)
- Subjects received 0.45 (**Mar**) or 0.92 (**Ad**) g protein/kg/day.
- Energy intake adjusted through Day 28.

Castaneda, Gordon, Fielding, et al. J. Nutr. Health 2000

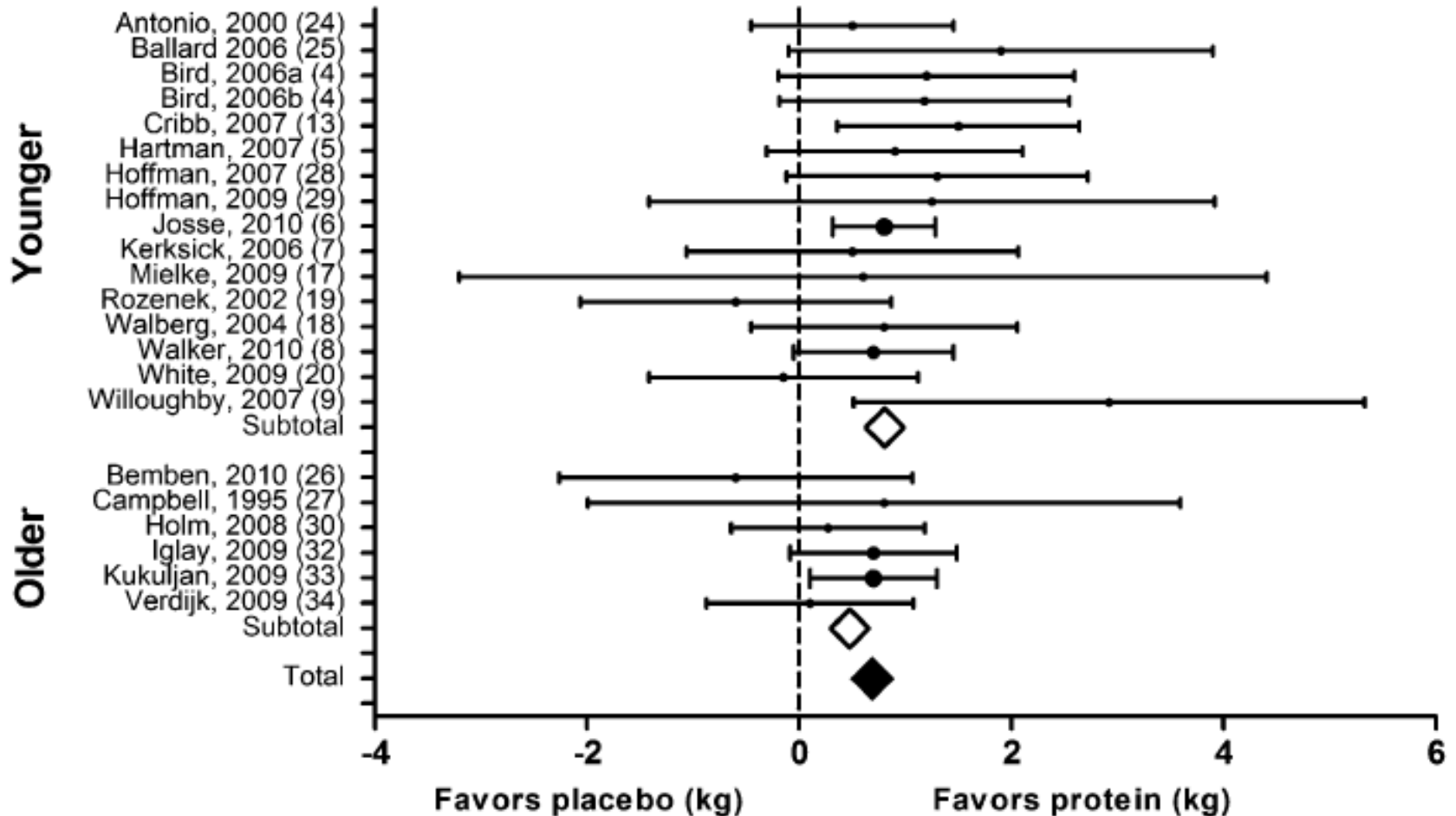
# Body cell mass after marginal protein intake



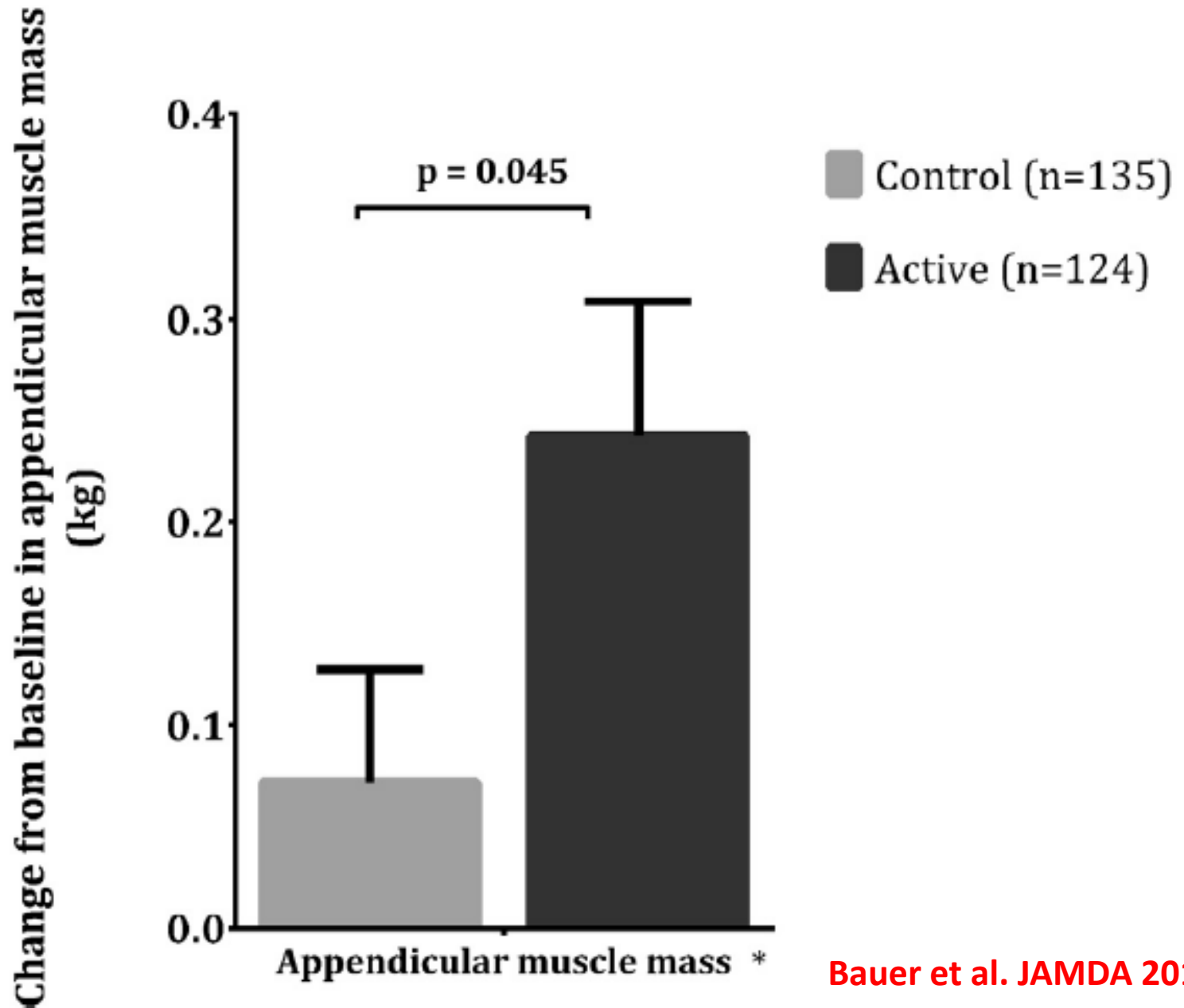
\* Different from wk 0  $P < 0.01$



# Meta-analysis of protein supplementation/exercise and gains in lean mass



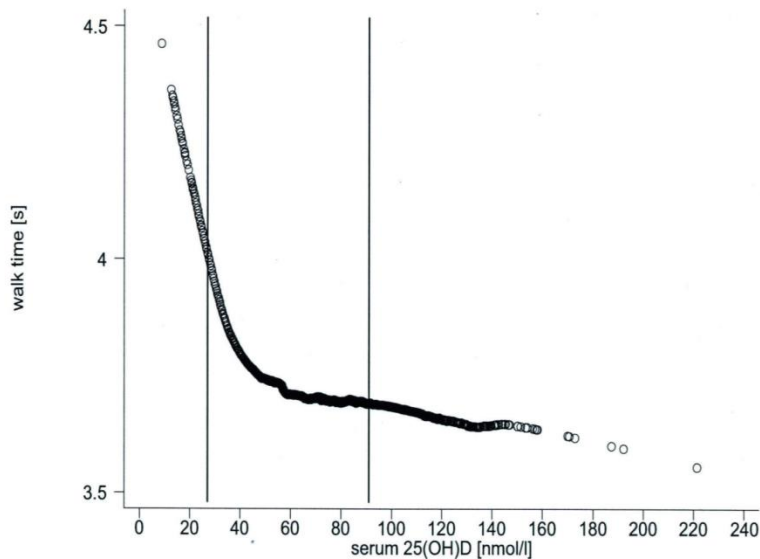
## Supplemental protein in frail elders with sarcopenia



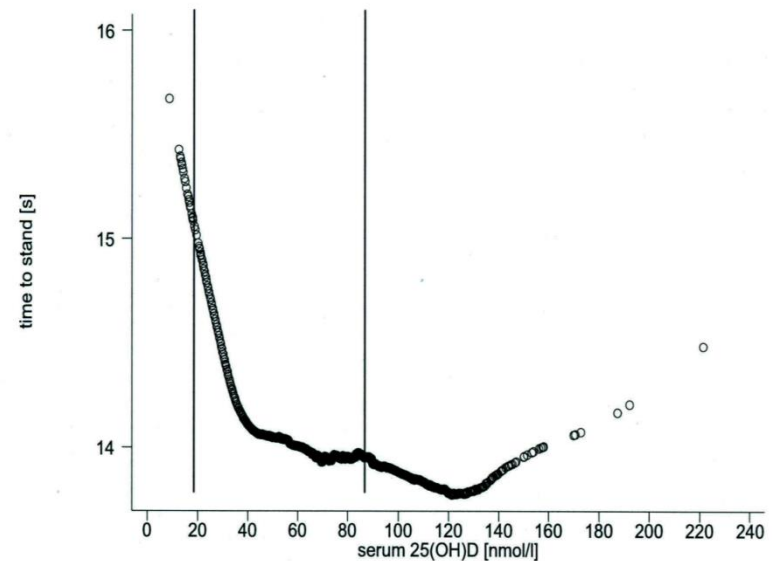
Bauer et al. JAMDA 2015

# NHANES III – Serum 25(OH)D and Performance in Men and Women Age 60 and Older

Walk time

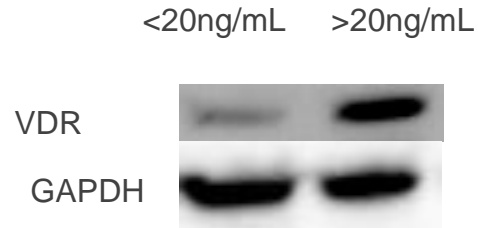


Sit-to-stand

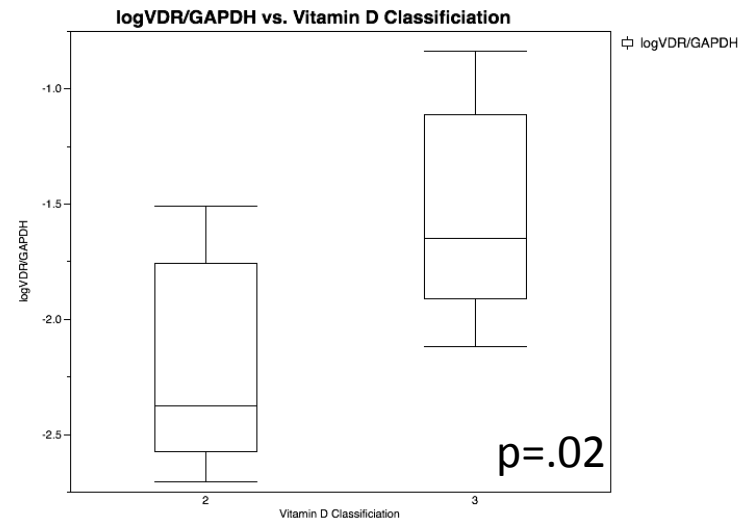
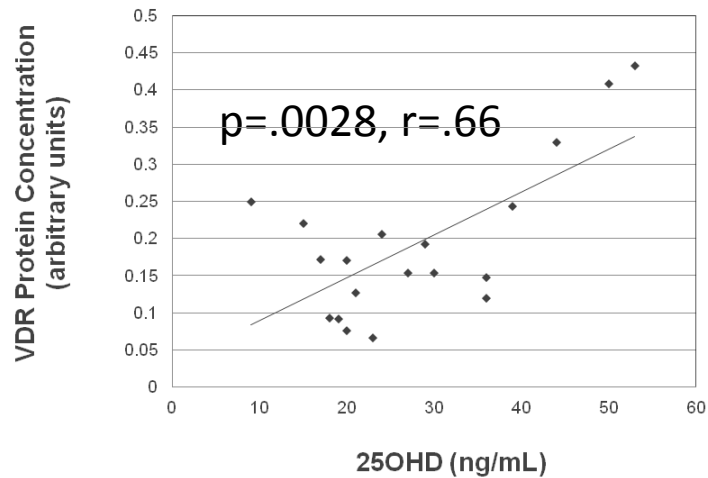


**Bischoff-Ferrari HA. Am J Clin Nutr 2004;80:752-8.**

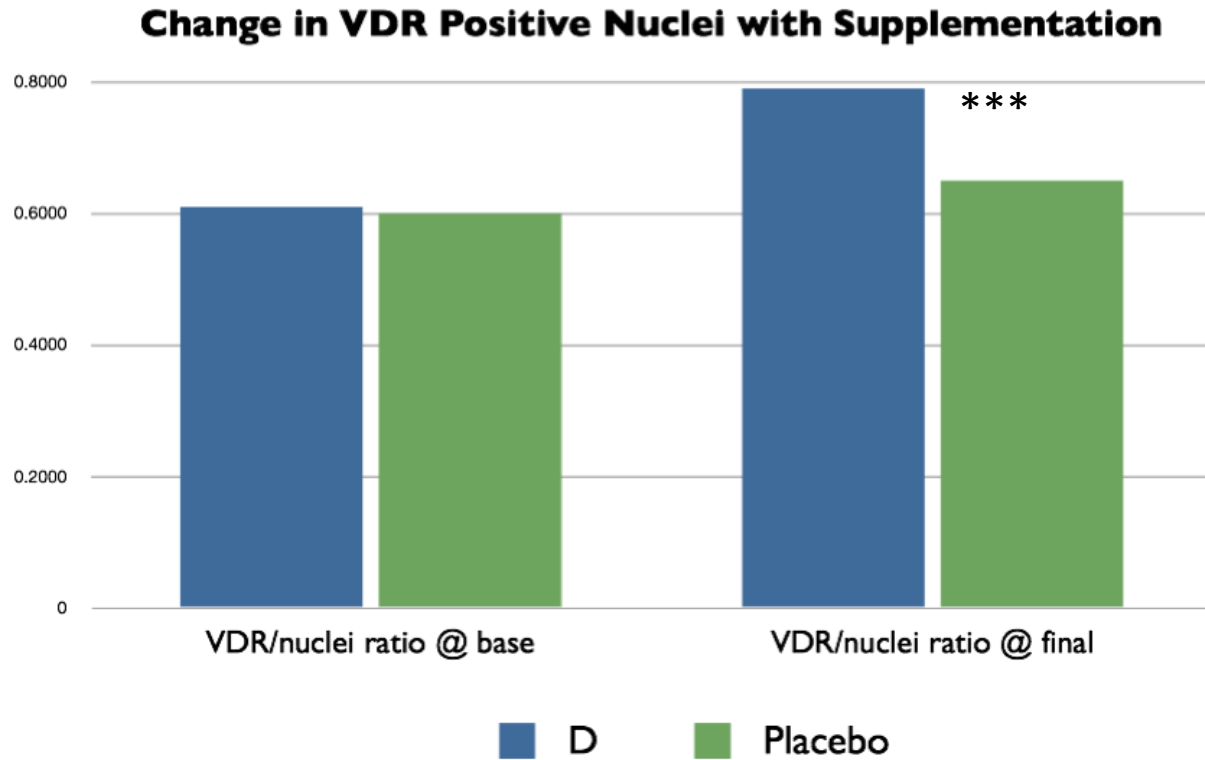
# VDR vs 25OHD



**Skeletal Muscle VDR Increases with 25OHD**

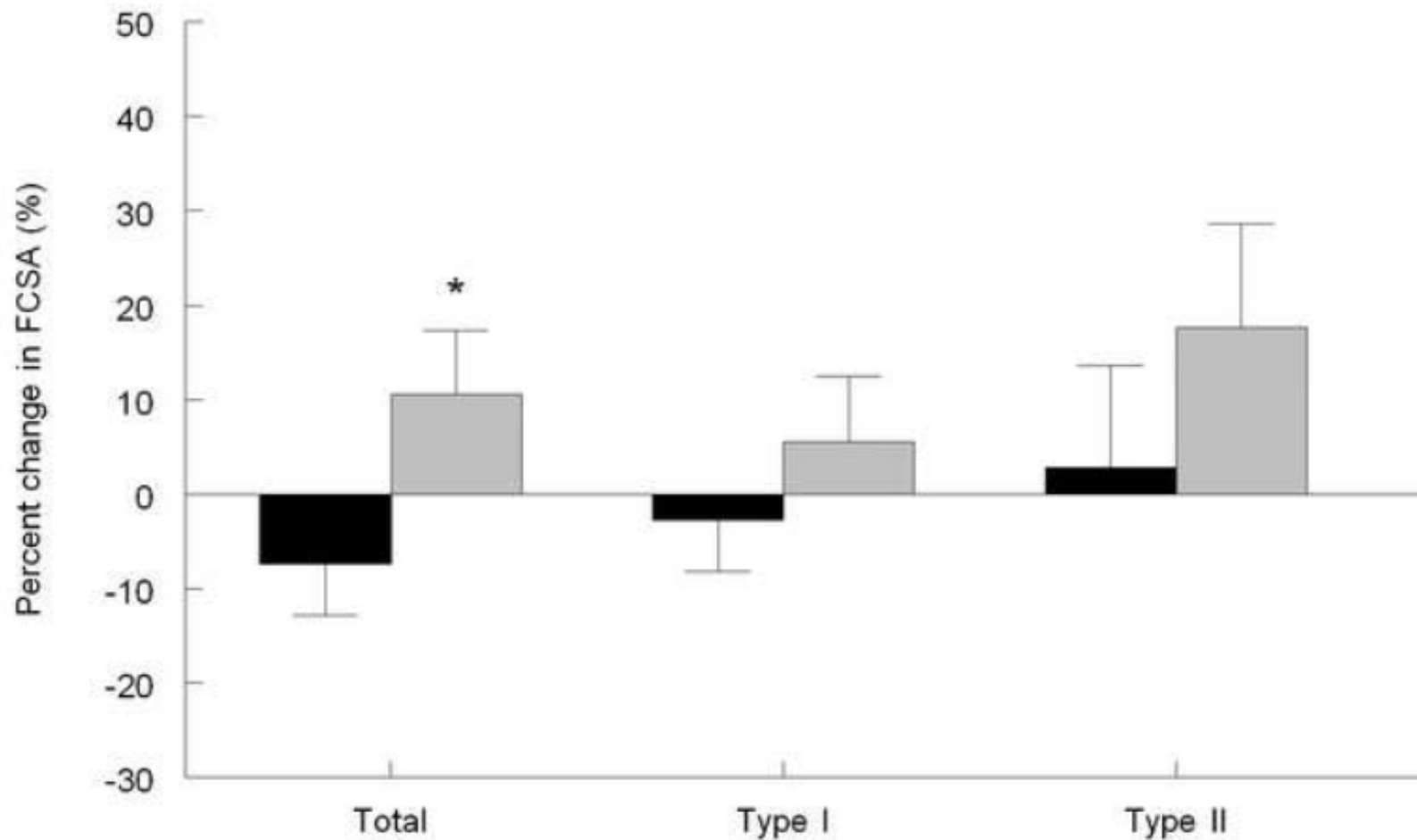


# 29% Increase in Nuclear VDR with D Supplementation



Niramitmahapanya et al,  
2012 (unpublished)

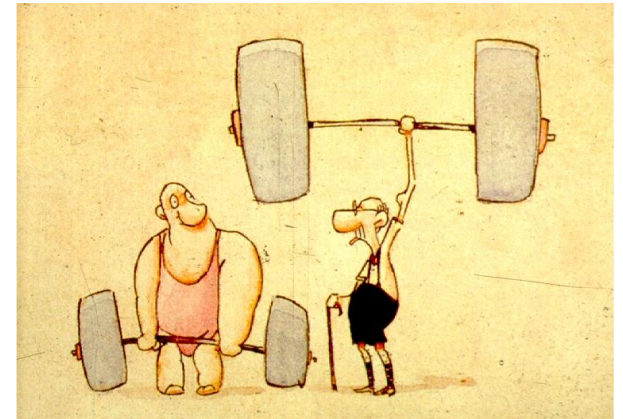
# Change in muscle size with Vitamin D



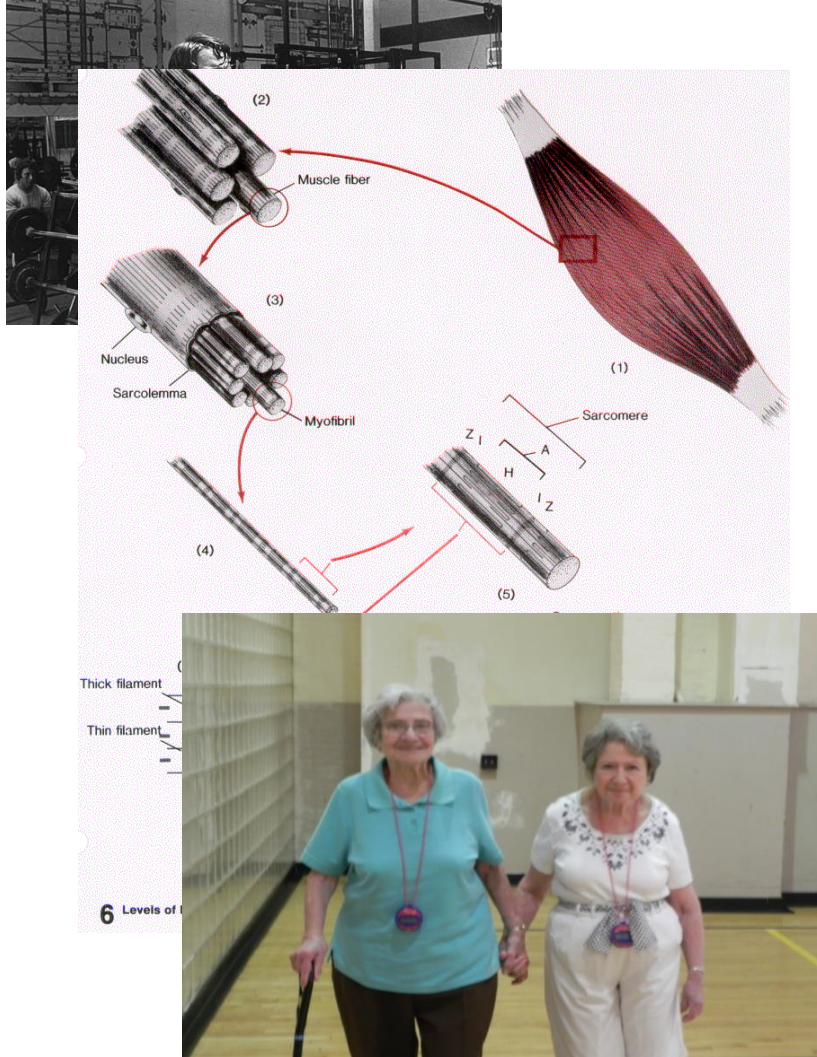


# Awareness and Acceptance of Sarcopenia as a Clinical Syndrome/Disease has lagged: limited effective therapies currently available

- Objective definition linked to “hard” end points (mortality, falls, fractures).
- Agreement on appropriate outcomes for efficacy and registration trials.
- Establishment of treatment guidelines and billing codes (ICD 10 established).
- **Treatments are emerging but indications are lagging.**



# Summary:



- Sarcopenia is the age-related loss in muscle mass and function.
- Nutritional factors related to protein intake and specific micronutrients affect sarcopenia progression.
- Nutritional interventions may play a role in the prevention and treatment of sarcopenia.







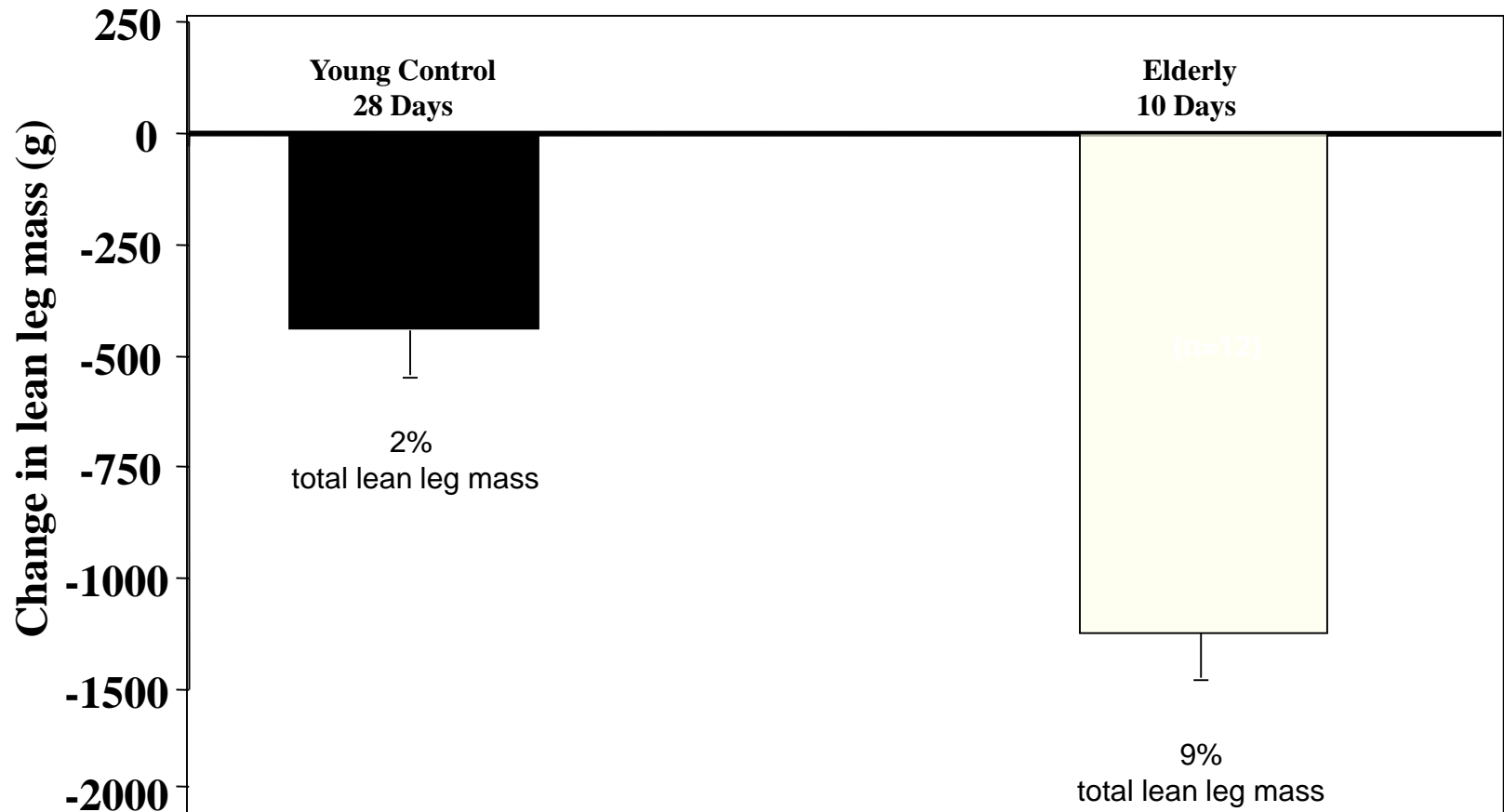
# Bedrest and Aging

- 10 days complete bedrest
- 12 subjects,  $67 \pm 5$  years
- Eucaloric diet, 0.8g protein/kg/d
- Body composition (DEXA)
- Fractional Synthetic Rate of muscle protein
  - 24-h infusion of  $^{13}\text{C}_6$ -phenylalanine, vastus lateralis biopsy pre-post infusion



# Loss of Leg Muscle Mass: DEXA

Effect of 10 days of bed rest on skeletal muscle in  
Healthy older adults, *JAMA* 297: 2007



Whole body muscle loss: >2kg (~5% total lean mass)

# Essential Amino Acid Composition (3 X day)

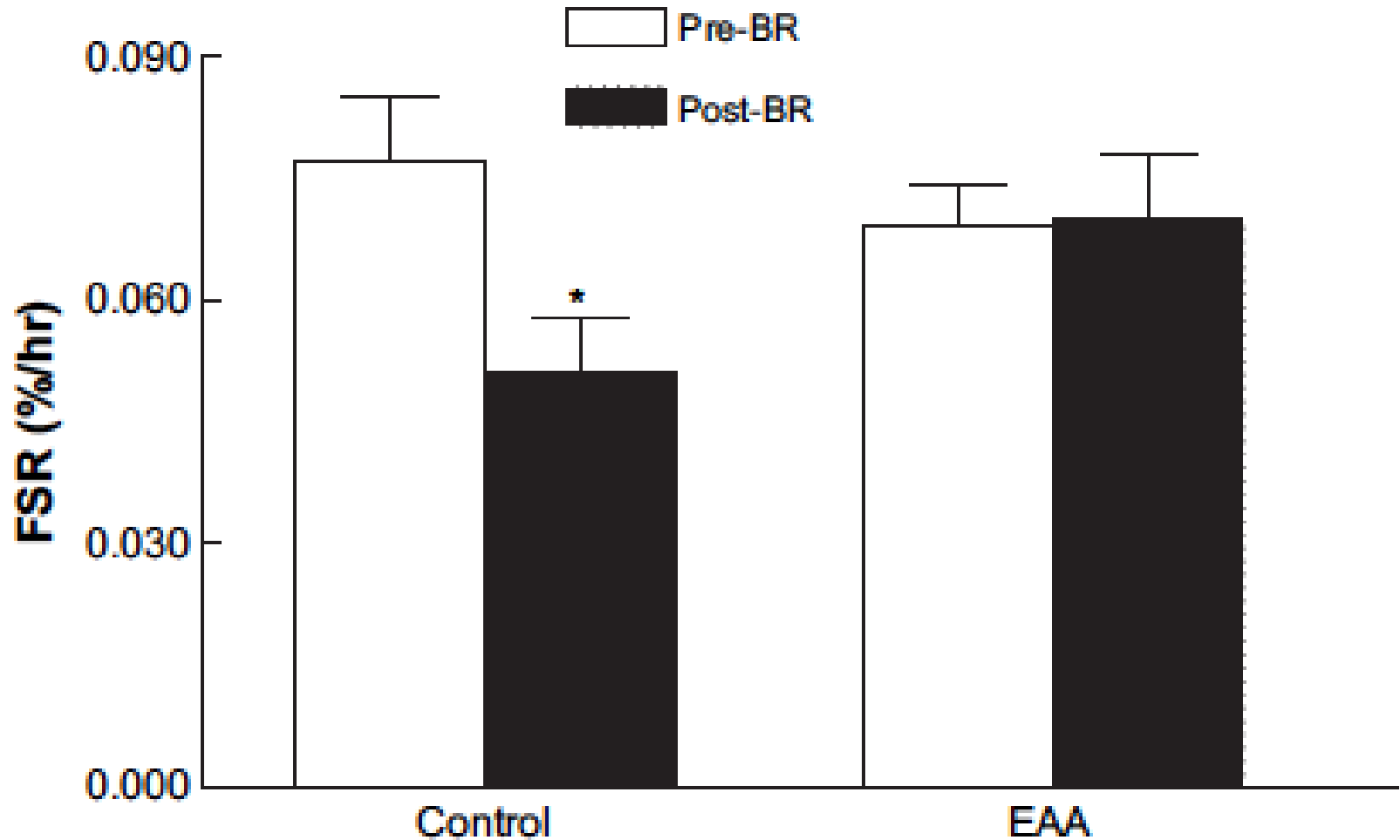
Composition of essential amino acid (EAA) drink.

Amino Acid	Amount (g)	Proportion of total (%)
Histidine	0.488	3.26
Isoleucine	1.286	8.57
Leucine	5.382	35.88
Lysine (HCl)	2.561	17.08
Methionine	0.538	3.59
Phenylalanine	0.698	4.65
Threonine	1.435	9.57
Valine	1.116	7.44
Arginine	1.495	9.97
Total	15.000	100.00

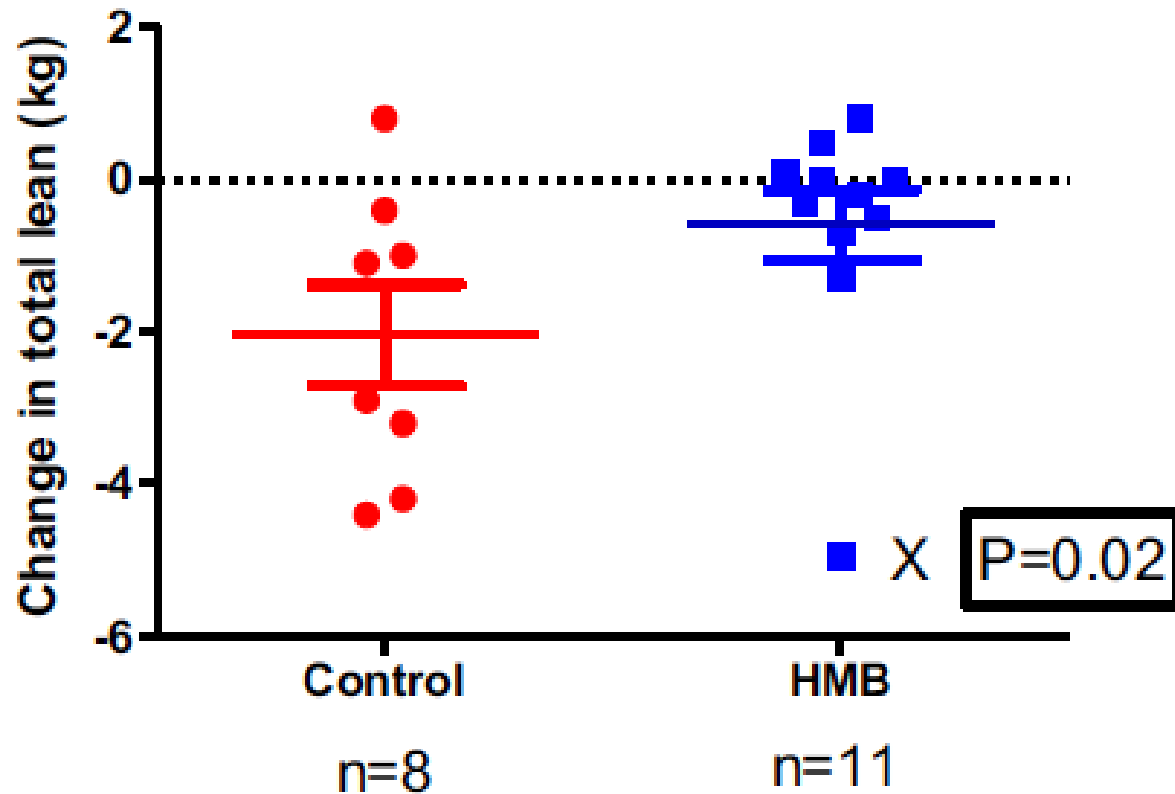
Caloric content = 45 kcal.

Ferrando et al. 2010

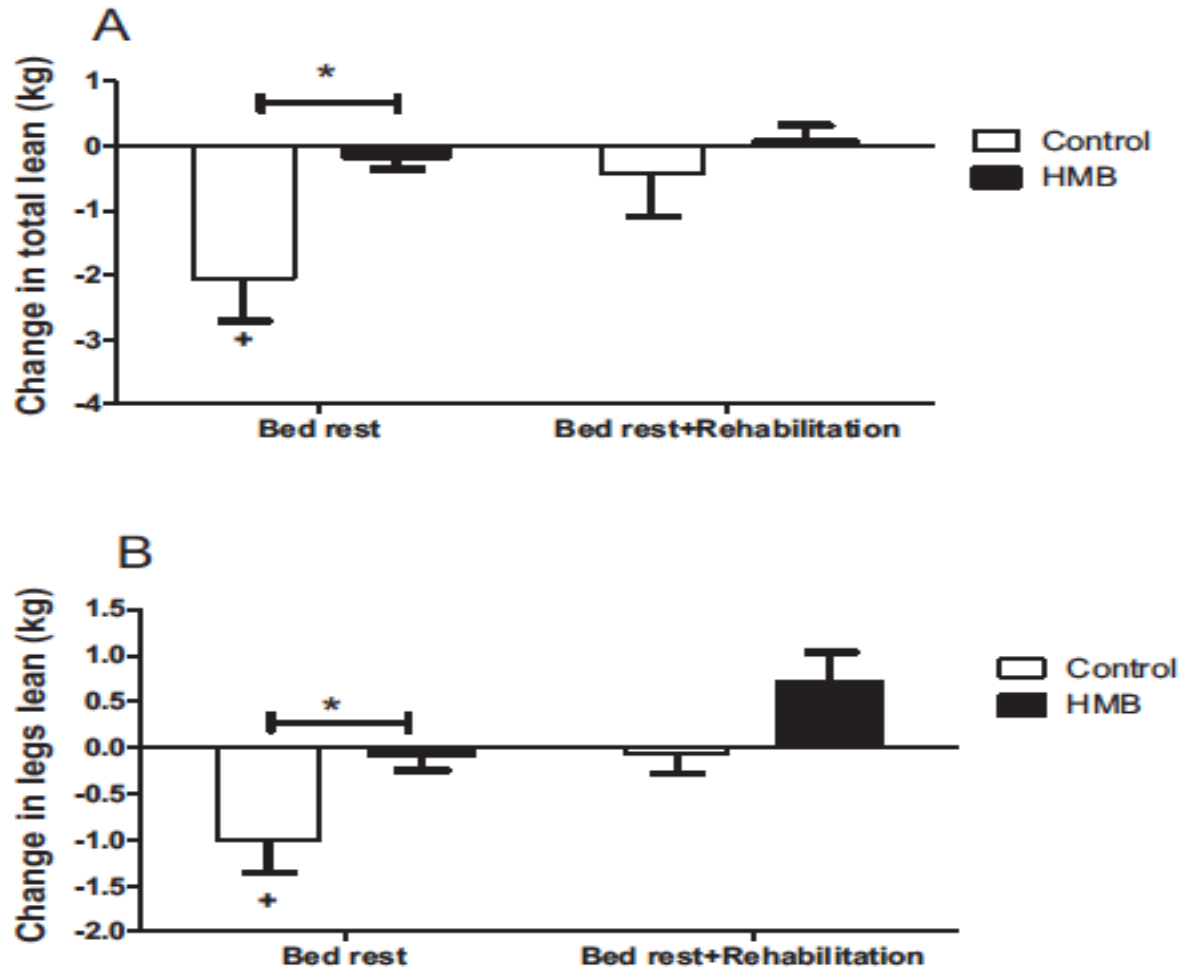
## 10 days of bedrest with EAA supplementation



## 10 days of bedrest with HMB intervention

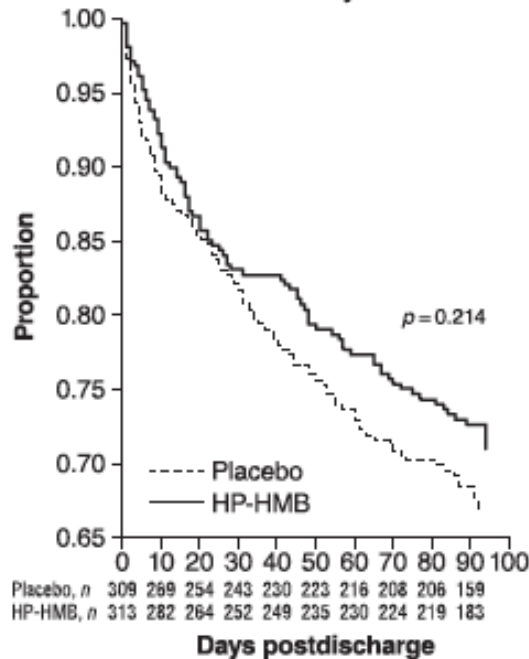


# 10 days of bedrest with HMB intervention

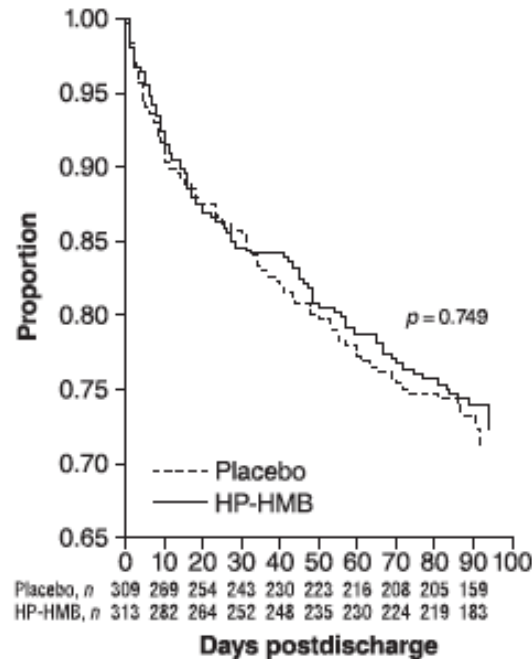


# HMB and mortality in hospitalized patients

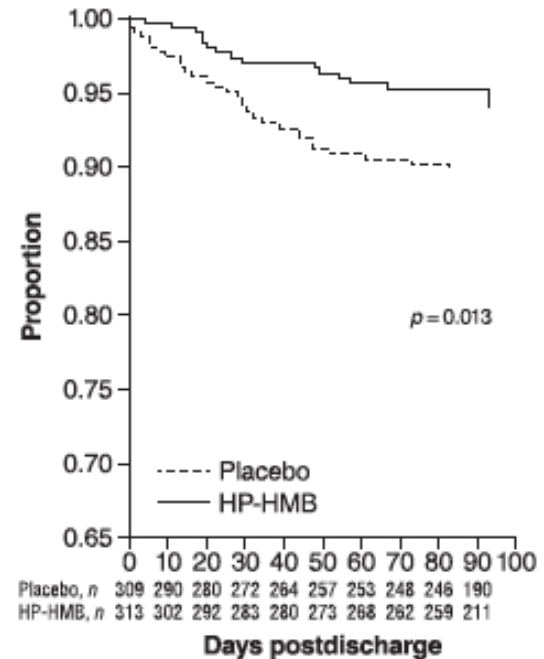
**B. Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve: Composite Endpoint of 90-Day Readmission and Mortality**

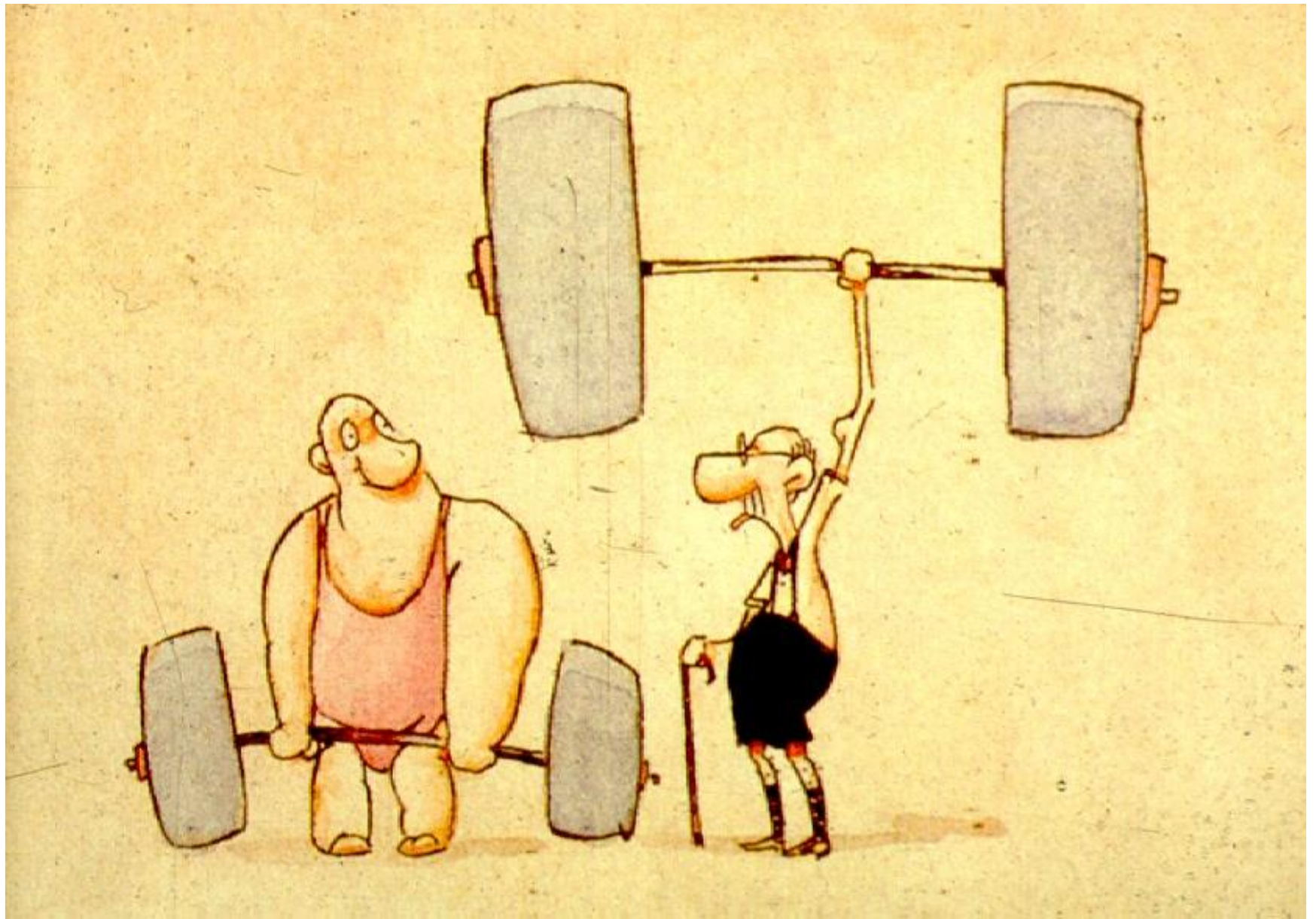


**C. Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve: Readmission**



**D. Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve: Mortality**





# Nutritional intervention:

## Whey Protein/Placebo(2 packets/day\*)

- Supplement packets were given to subjects weekly.
- Adherence was assessed by empty packet return/logs and urinary PABA recovery (200 mg per packet).
- Subjects were instructed to consume supplements after regular meals.

Whey	Placebo
20 g protein (whey concentrate)	NA
25 g maltodextrin	45 g maltodextrin
1 g fat	1 g fat
189 kcal (791 kJ)	189 kcal (791 kJ)

**\*On exercise training days supplements were consumed immediately after exercise (on site).**

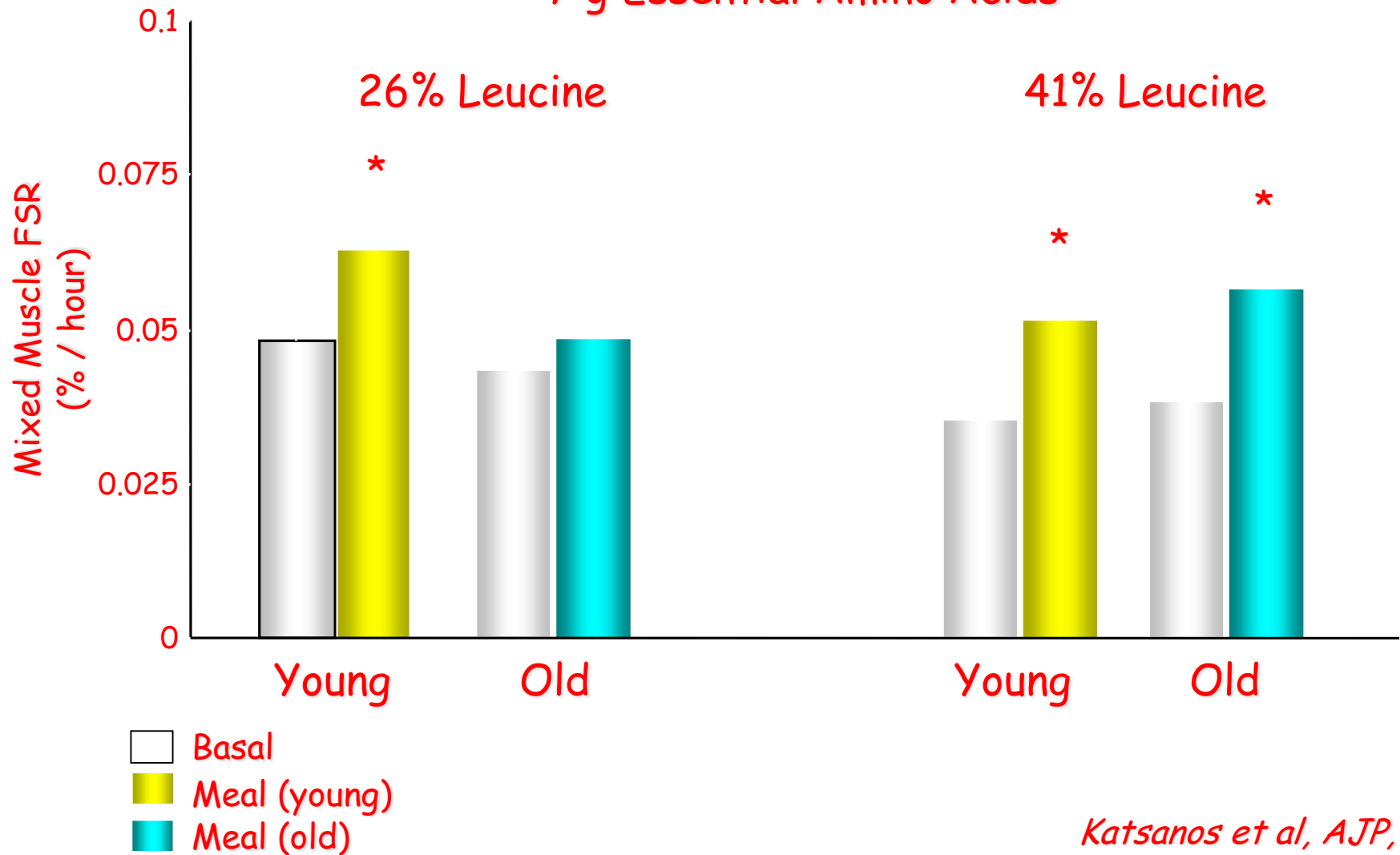


# Intervention adherence

	Whey N=42 N (%)	Placebo N=38 N (%)
Study withdrawals	3	2
Exercise attendance	79.9 $\pm$ 20.8	80.2 $\pm$ 21.7
Supplement adherence (packets returned)	72.1 $\pm$ 29.3	82.3 $\pm$ 21.9
Completed both $\geq$ 70% of exercise & < 2 consecutive neg. urine PABA	28	31

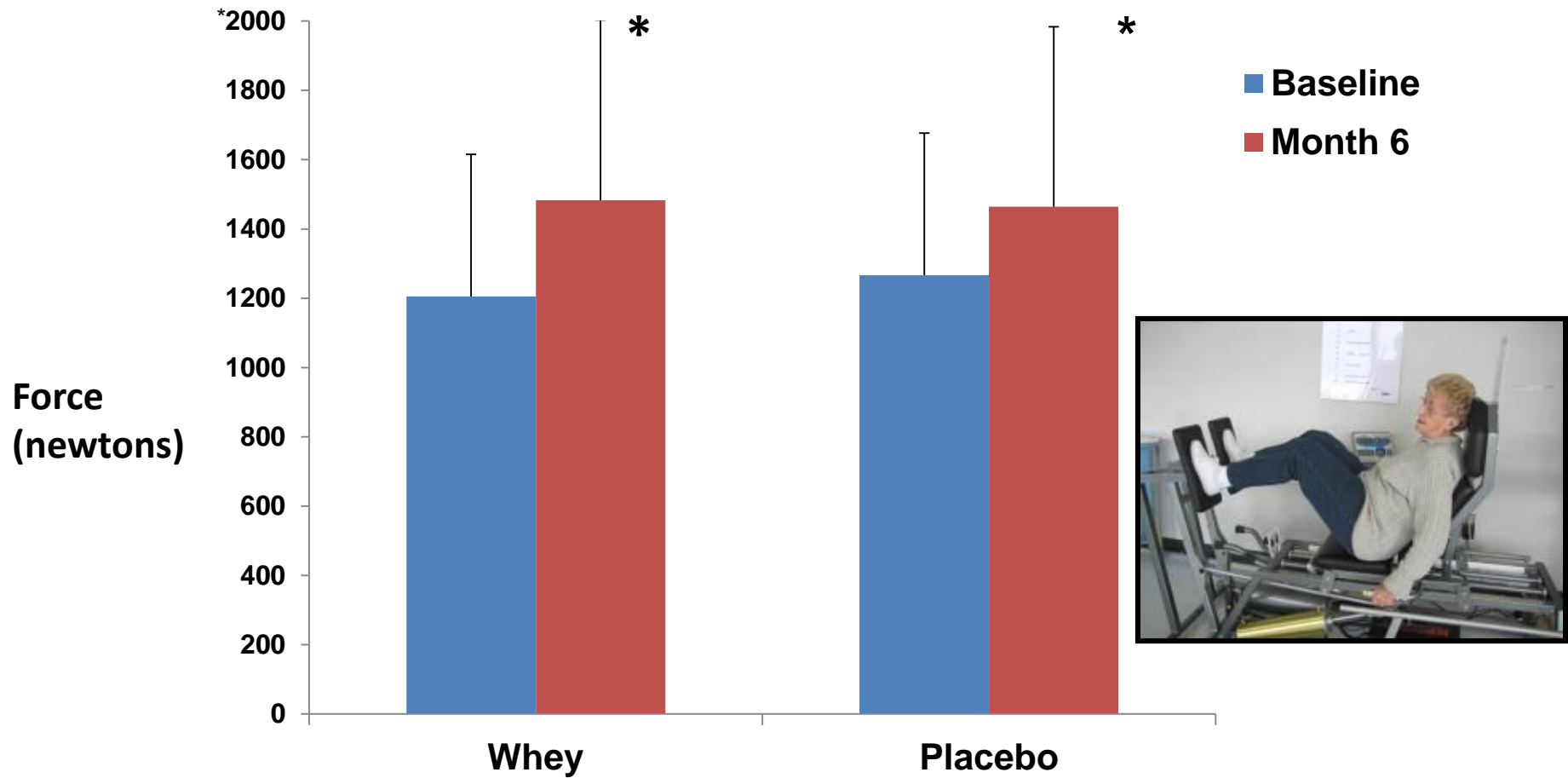
# Leucine Content is an Important Determinant of the Muscle Anabolic Response to Feeding in Aging

7 g Essential Amino Acids



*Katsanos et al, AJP, 2006*

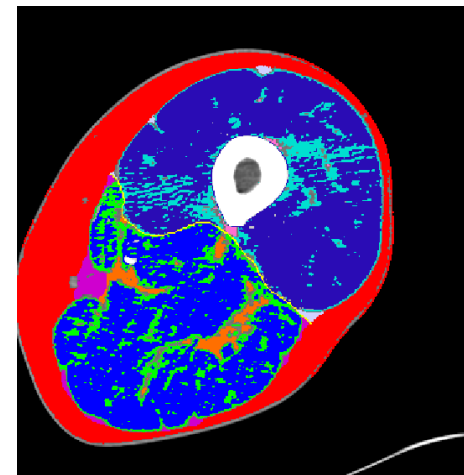
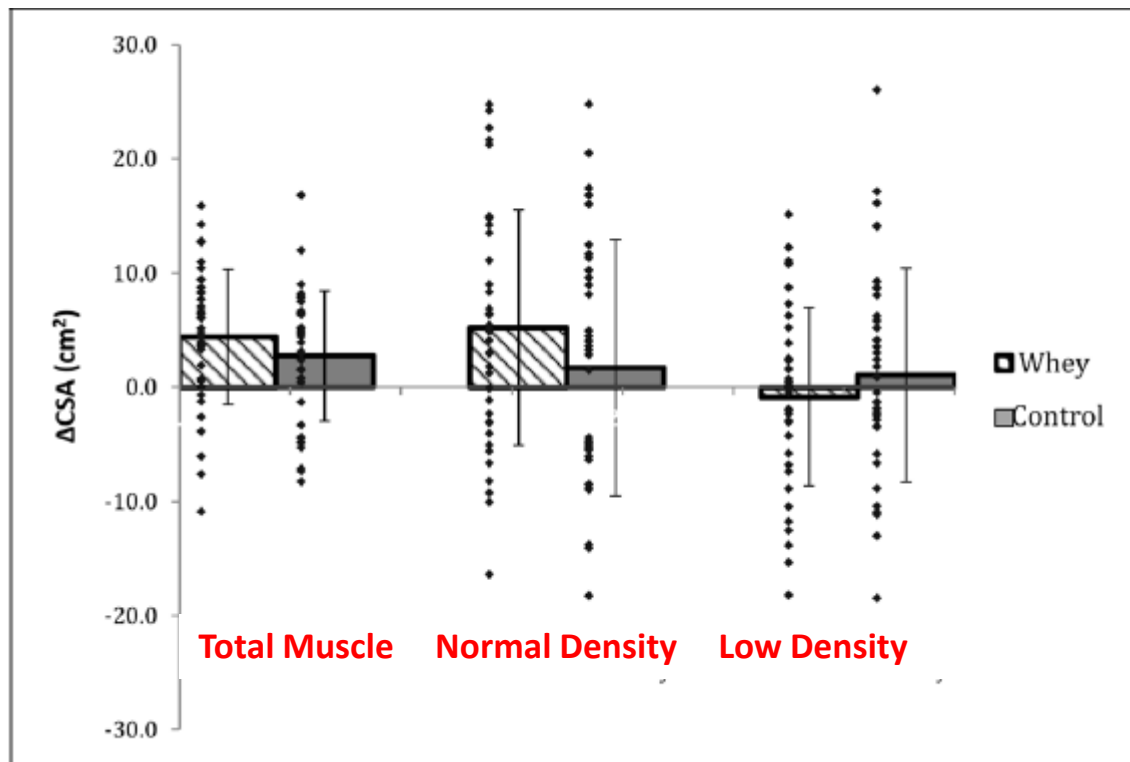
## Double Leg Press Strength (1 RM)



Time/supplement interaction  $P=0.43$ ; \* time effect  $P < 0.0001$

Chale' et al. J Gerontol 2012

## Change in Mid-thigh muscle cross sectional area (C-T)



Time/supplement interaction  $P=0.18$ ; \* time effect  $P < 0.008$

Chale' et al. J Gerontol 2012

## Physical Function measures

Physical Function measure	Baseline	6 months	P value interaction	P value time
<b>Stair climb time (s)</b>			0.64	0.03
Whey	7.6 $\pm$ 4.1	7.1 $\pm$ 3.9		
Placebo	8.6 $\pm$ 4.7	7.0 $\pm$ 3.2		
<b>Chair rise time (s; 10X)</b>			0.25	0.0001
Whey	32.1 $\pm$ 9.6	25.2 $\pm$ 6.9		
Placebo	33.9 $\pm$ 16.1	29.8 $\pm$ 16.0		
<b>SPPB score</b>			0.49	0.0001
Whey	8.5 $\pm$ 1.1	10.3 $\pm$ 1.5		
Placebo	8.4 $\pm$ 1.7	10.0 $\pm$ 1.8		
<b>400 m walk (gait speed; m·s<sup>-1</sup>)</b>			0.11	0.13
Whey	1.07 $\pm$ 0.19	1.12 $\pm$ 0.22		
Placebo	1.03 $\pm$ 0.18	1.04 $\pm$ 0.25		

## Dietary Protein Intake

Protein Intake	Baseline	6 months	Point Estimates (95% C.I.)	P value time
<b>Dietary Protein</b>			-6 (-14,1)	0.015
Whey	71 ± 17	64 ± 15		
Placebo	72 ± 19	68 ± 18		
<b>Total Protein (including supplement)</b>			18 (8,29)	0.0001
Whey	71 ± 17	89 ± 22		
Placebo	72 ± 19	69 ± 19		