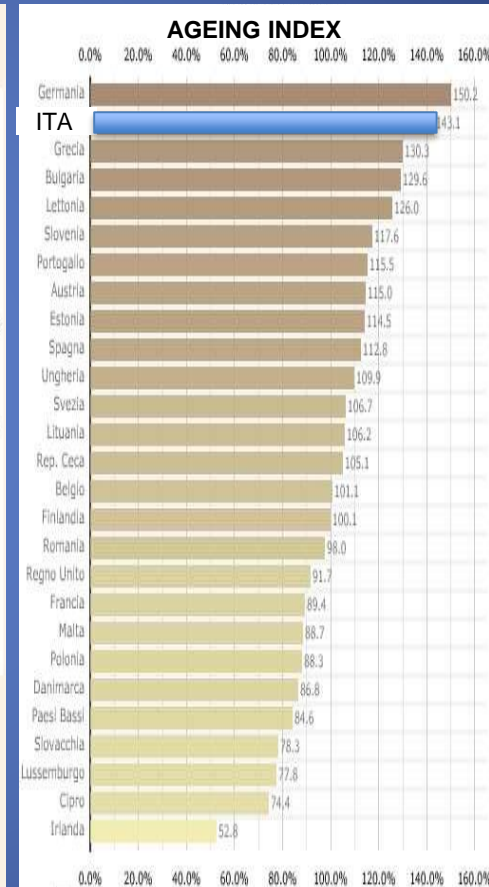
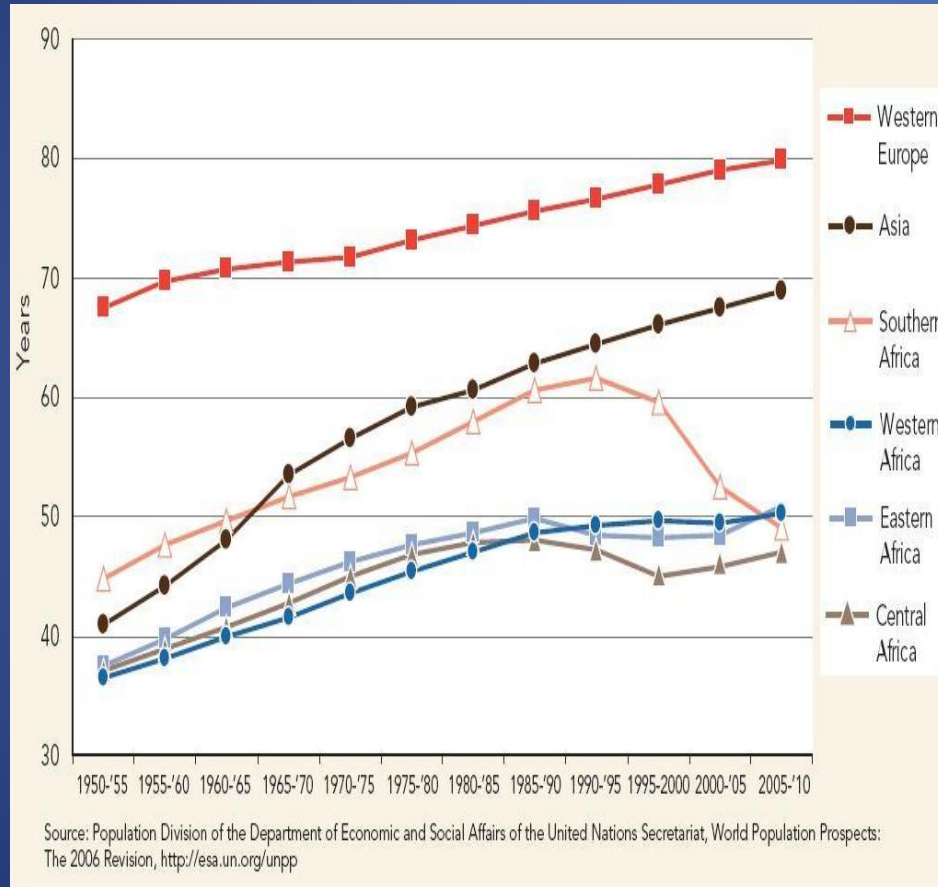


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- % of people over 65y

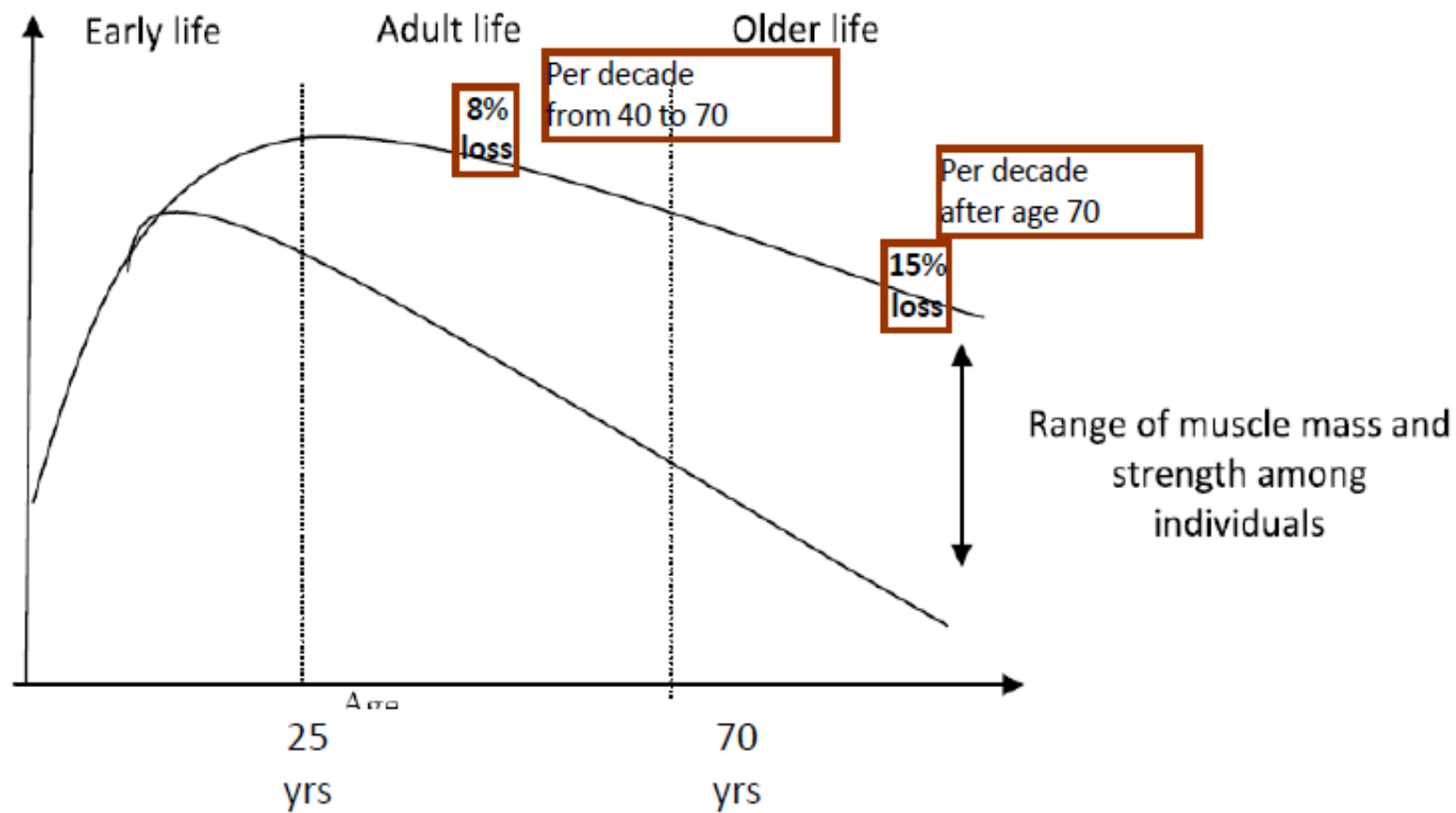
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Johanna Quaas, 86 years old



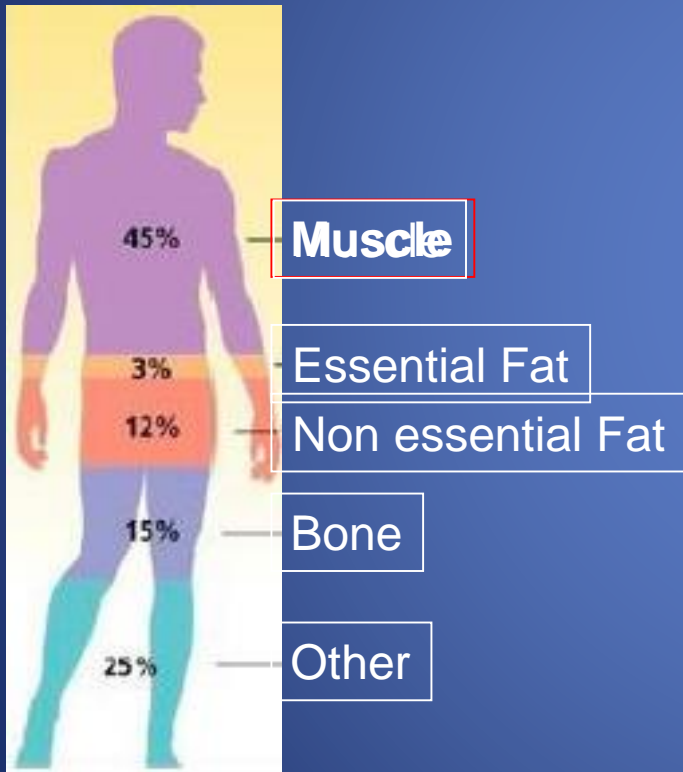
Lignano (ITA) Master Games 2011



Hairi N, www.intechopen.com 2008

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BODY COMPOSITION



MUSCLE:

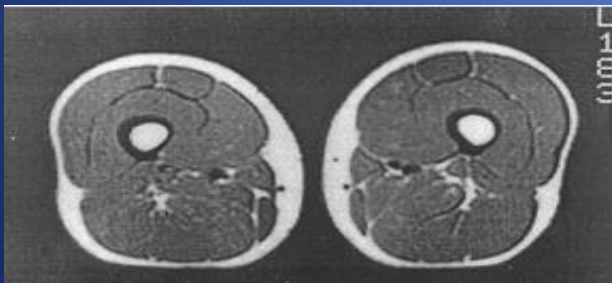
- the most represented tissue in the body
- 20% is proteins
- the tissue containing most of body proteins
- has multiple functions:
 - Movement-posture
 - Metabolism
 - Endocrine (myokines)

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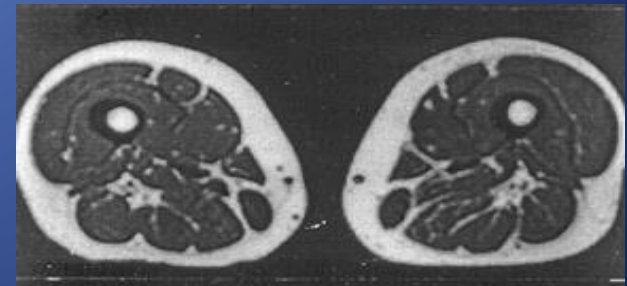
SARCOPENIA

“syndrome characterized by progressive and generalized loss of skeletal muscle mass and strength, with a risk of adverse outcomes such as physical disability, poor quality of life and death”

European Working Group on Sarcopenia in Older People (EWGSOP)
2012

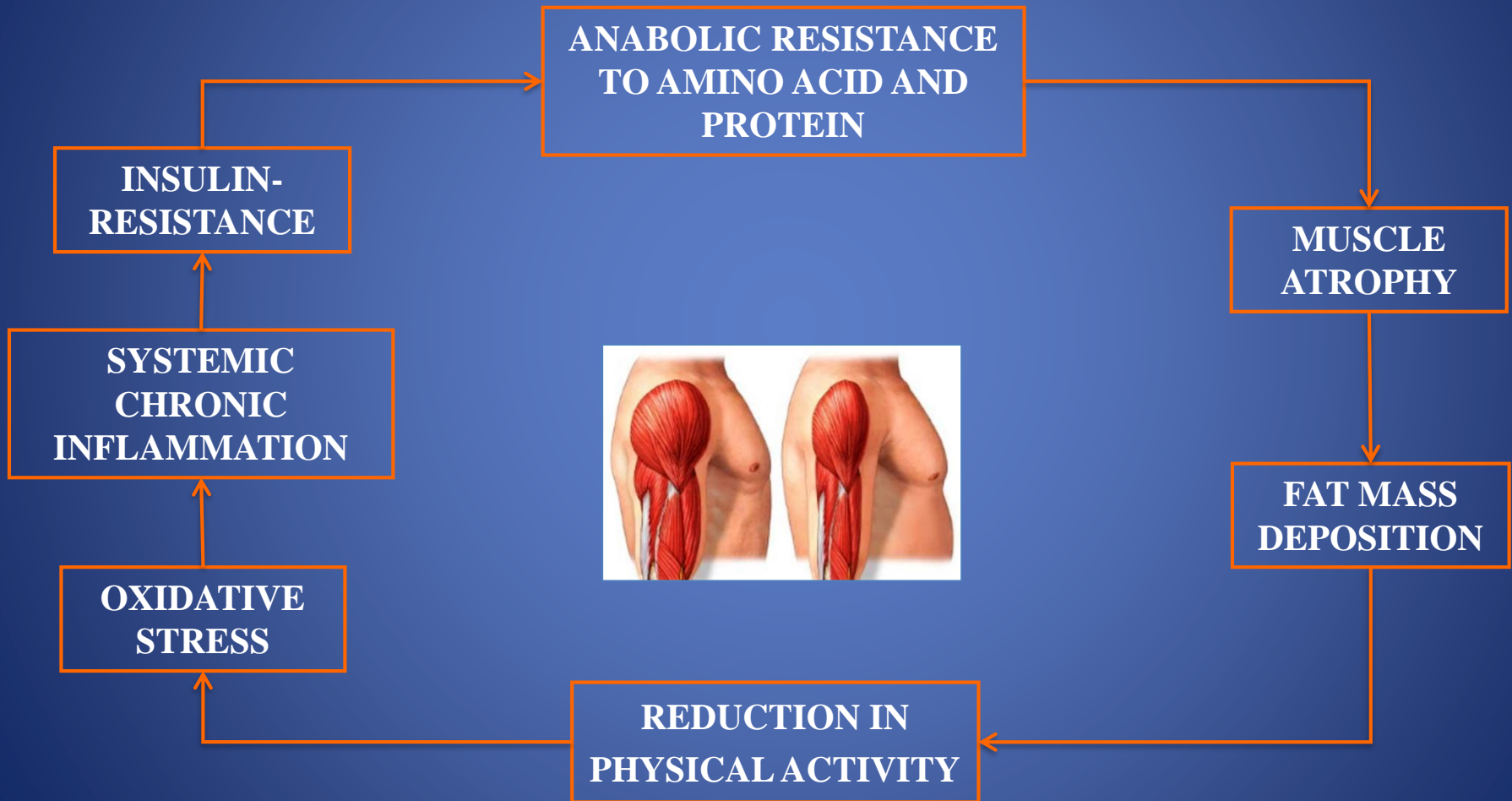


Young woman
(21y, BMI 24.3 kg/m²)

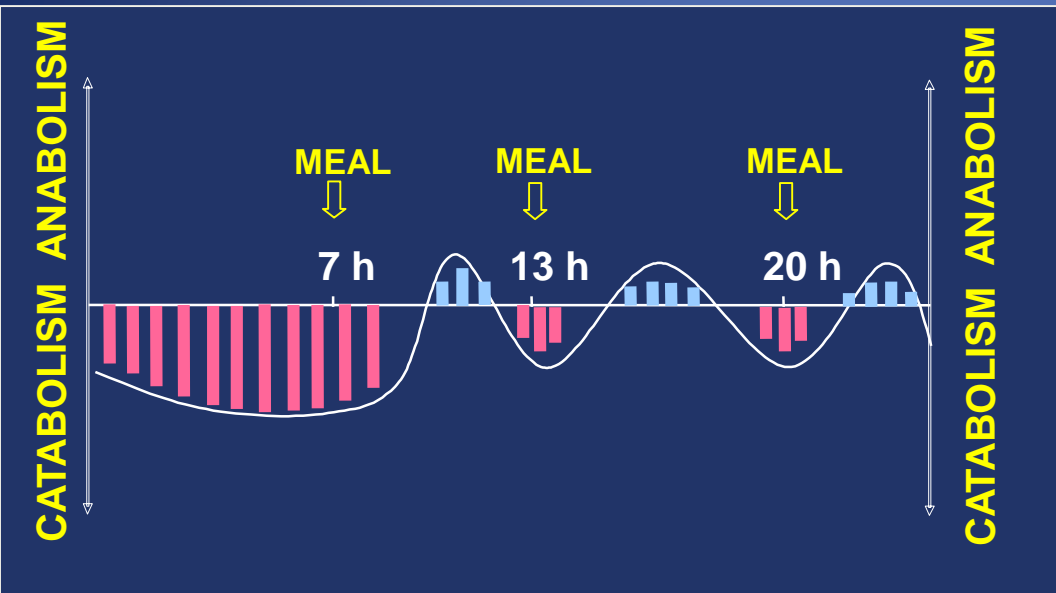


Elderly woman
(73y, BMI 24.5 kg/m²)

SARCOPENIA



SARCOPENIA: Anabolic resistance



the inability to increase protein synthesis in response to a meal induced higher amino acid availability.

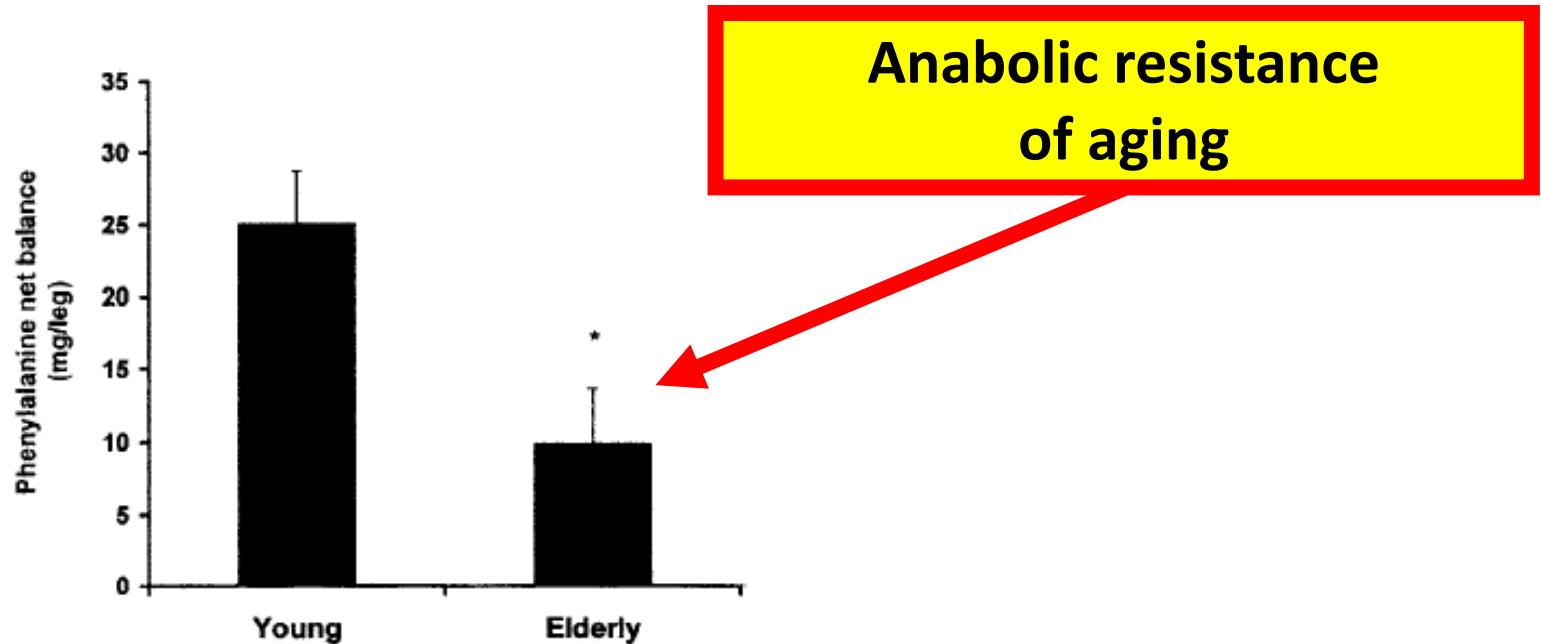
Biolo G et al. *Clin Nutr* 2014



Aging is associated with diminished accretion of muscle proteins after the ingestion of a small bolus of essential amino acids¹⁻³

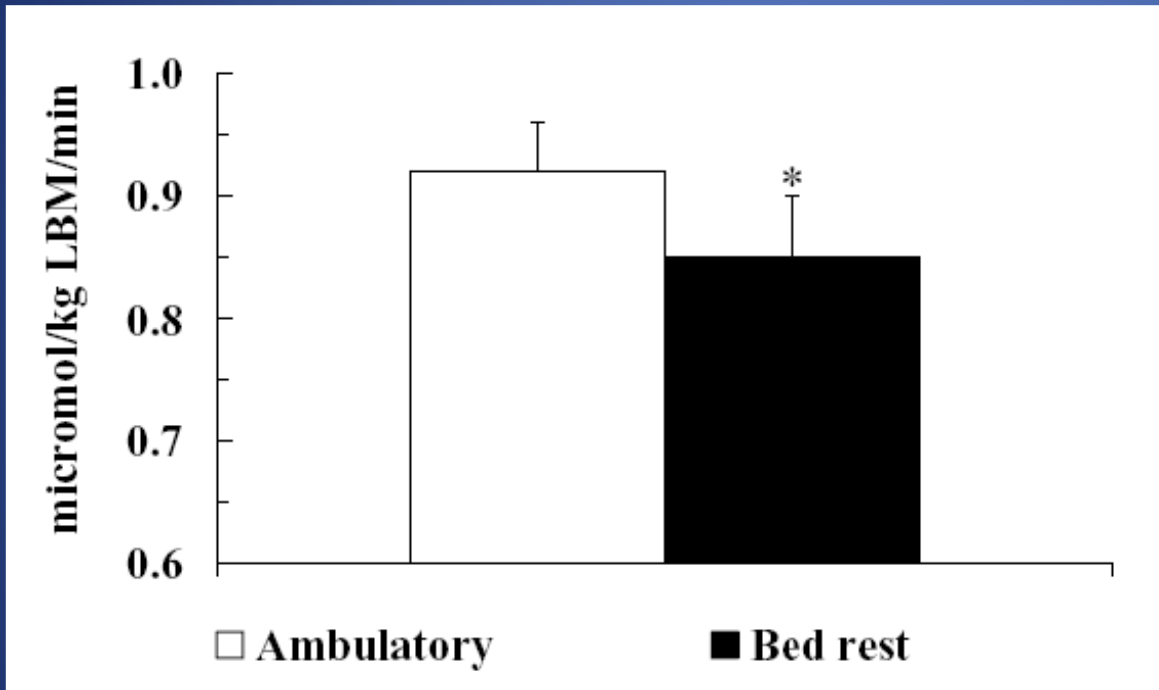
Christos S Katsanos, Hisamine Kobayashi, Melinda Sheffield-Moore, Asle Aarland, and Robert R Wolfe

Am J Clin Nutr 2005;82:1065-73.



Mean (\pm SEM) leg phenylalanine net balance 3.5 h after the ingestion of essential amino acids calculated by measuring the area under the phenylalanine net balance response curve (in the calculations, basal net balance was taken as zero) in the elderly ($n = 11$) and the young ($n = 8$). Data were analyzed with a t test. *Significantly different from the young, $P = 0.010$.

SARCOPENIA: effects of immobilization

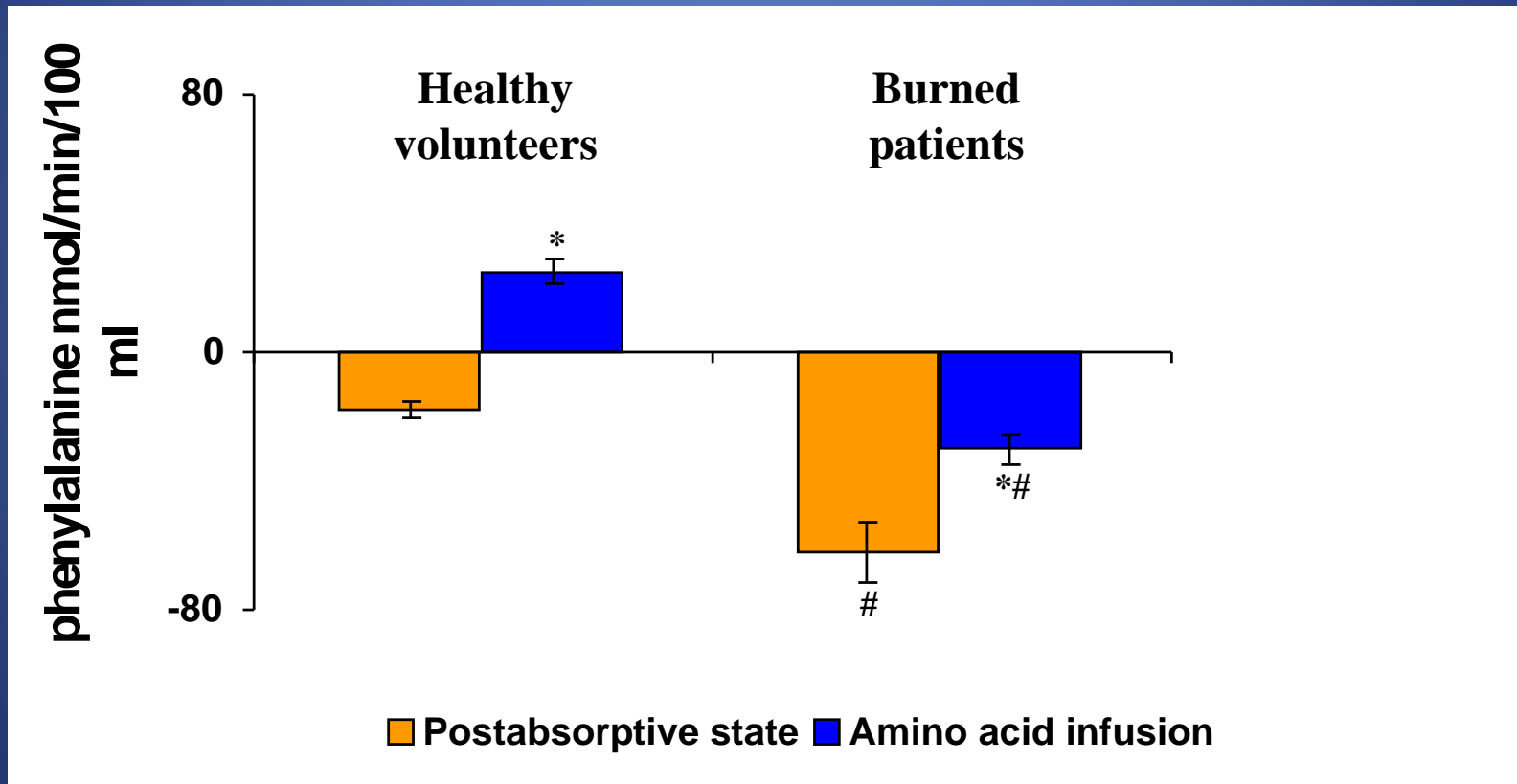


BED REST



Short-term bed rest impairs amino acid-induced protein anabolism in humans

EFFECTS OF AMINO ACID INFUSION ON SKELETAL MUSCLE PROTEIN BALANCE IN SEVERELY BURNED PATIENTS



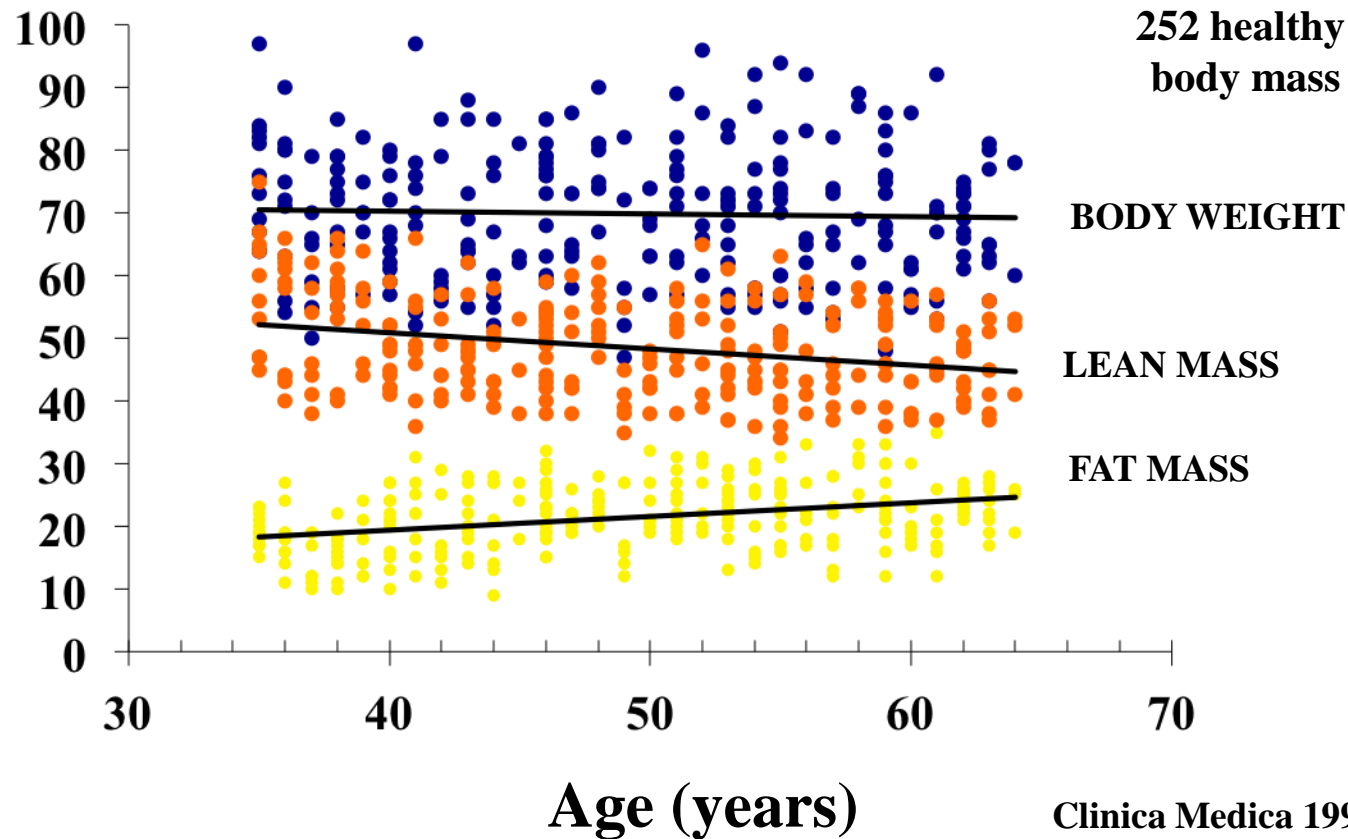
*, P < 0.05 vs. postabsorptive state

#, P < 0.05 vs. healthy volunteers

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SARCOPENIA: Body weight and composition in aging

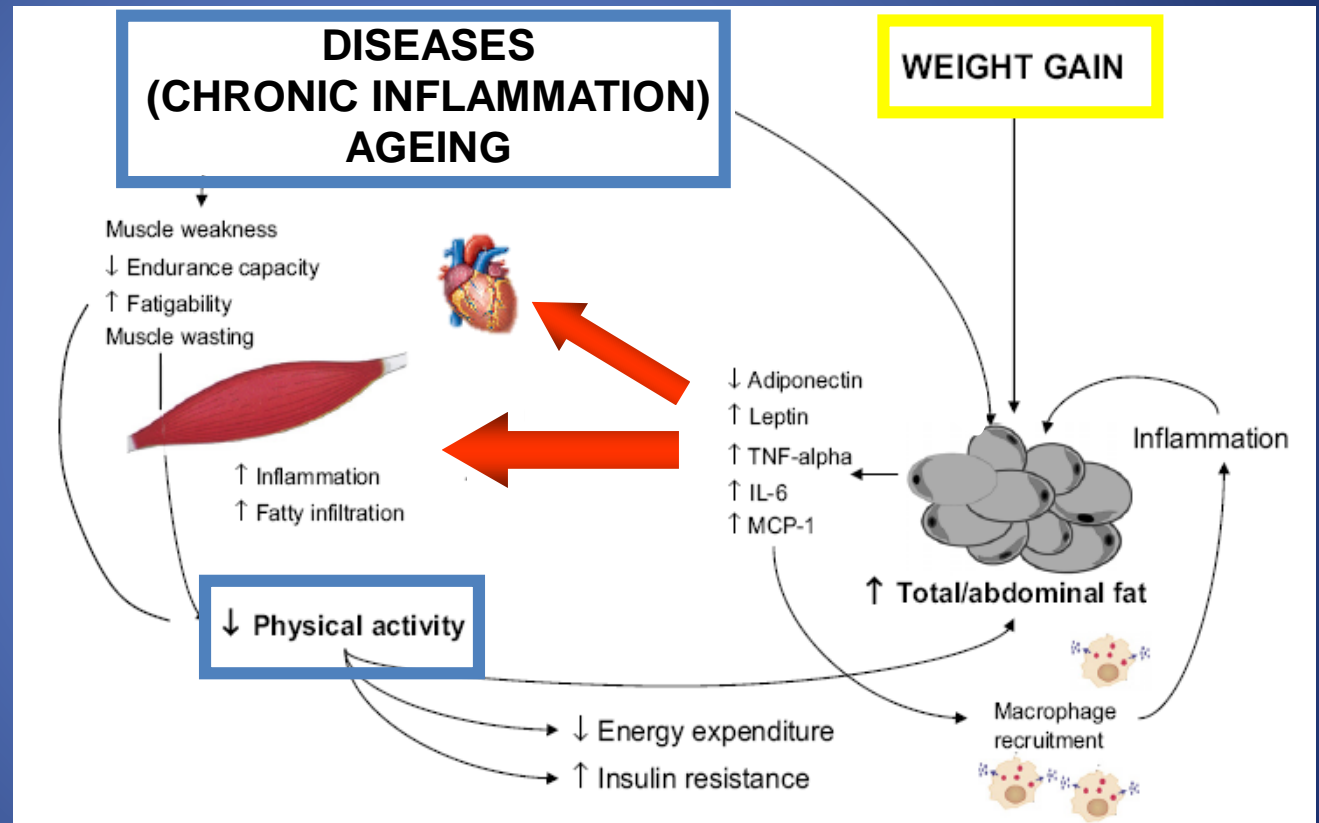
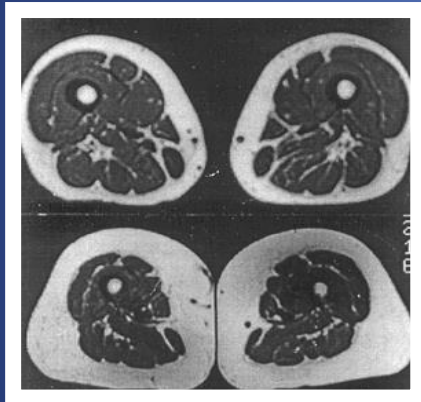
CROSS-SECTIONAL STUDY
252 healthy subjects with normal
body mass index, 35 to 65 years



Clinica Medica 1990 – University of Trieste

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SARCOPENIA: Role of fat mass and inflammation

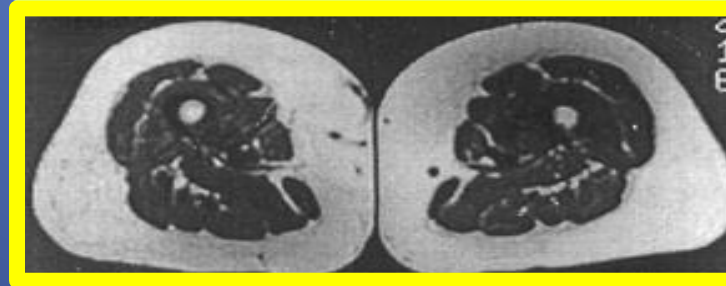
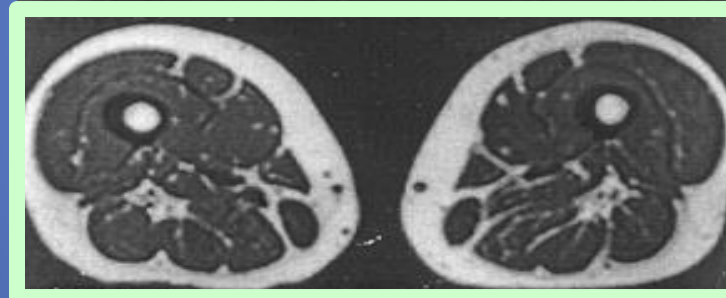
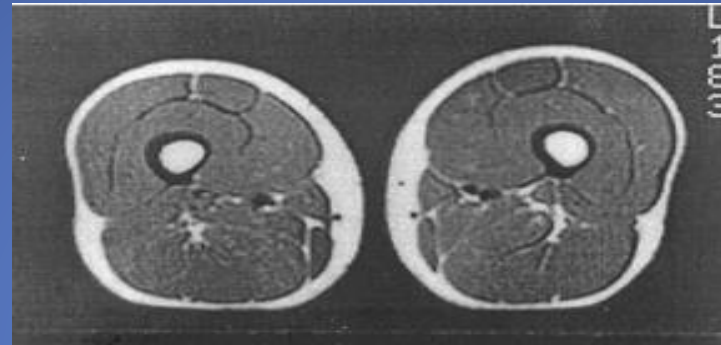


Zamboni et al., Nutrition, Metabolism & Cardiovascular Diseases 2008

Inter-relationships between adipose tissue and muscle. A mechanism leading to sarcopenic obesity.

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SARCOPENIC OBESITY

COMPOSIZIONE CORPOREA

OBESITÀ SARCOPENICA

Sindrome caratterizzata da progressiva e generalizzata alterazione della composizione corporea, con:

- **eccesso di tessuto adiposo (obesità)**
- **ridotti massa e funzionalità muscolari (sarcopenia)**

Prevalenza maggiore in anziani e persone affette da malattie croniche

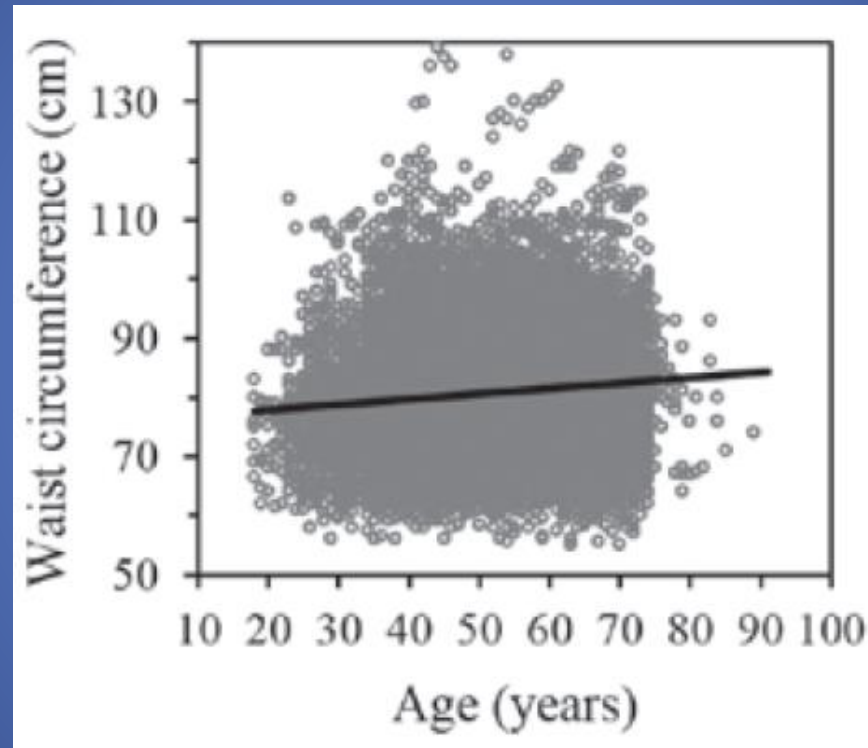
Interferisce negativamente con

- capacità fisica
- metabolismo
- funzione cardiovascolare

con conseguente peggioramento della qualità della vita, aumento della morbilità e della mortalità.



Correlation between waist circumference and age



Correlations were examined in longitudinal data for waist circumference in all subjects (21,358). The line represents a least-squares plot of the data. $P=4.34 \times 10^{-60}$, $R^2=0.0124$, waist circumference (cm) = $76.0696 + 0.0893x$;

Società moderna



Johanna Quaas, 86 years old

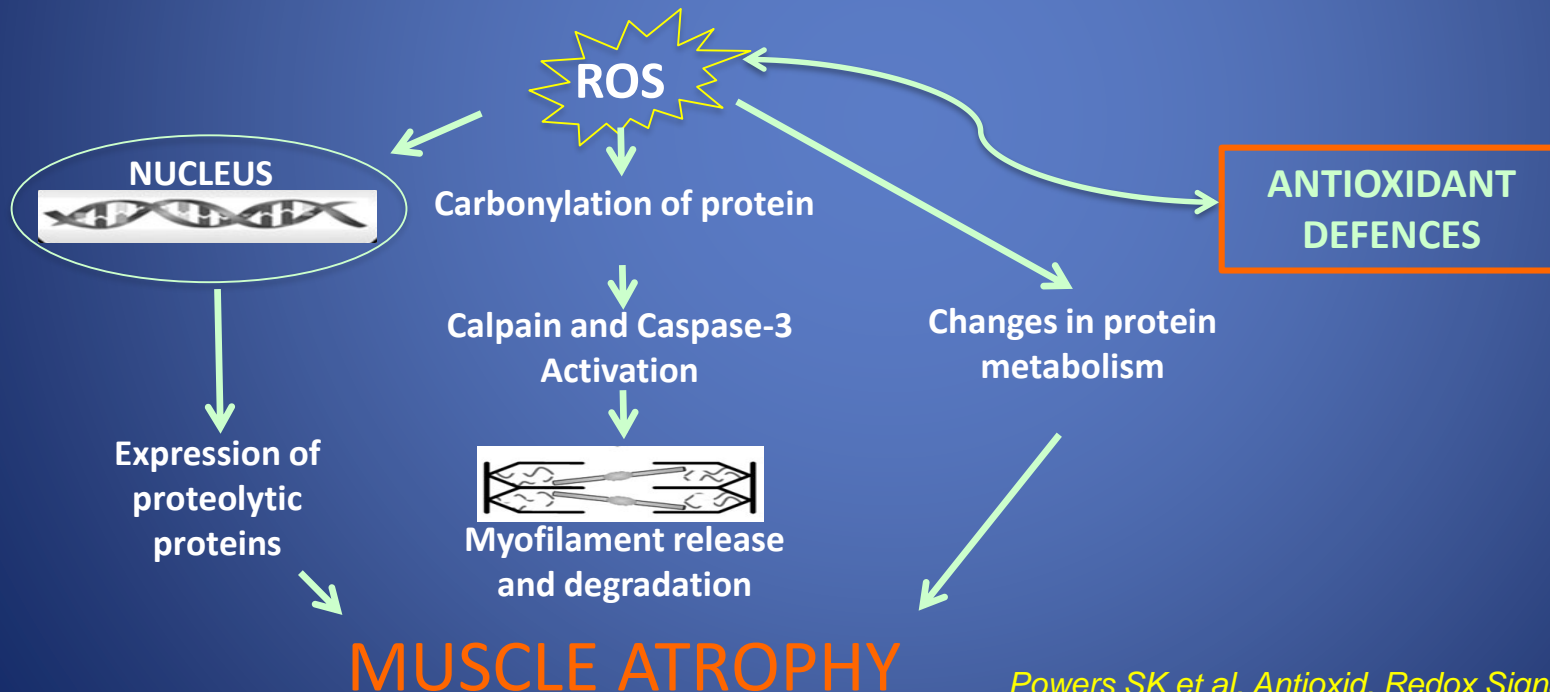


Pengzue Su ,87-year old

SARCOPENIA: Oxidative stress

“An imbalance between oxidants and antioxidants in favor of the oxidants, potentially leading to damage, is termed *oxidative stress*”.

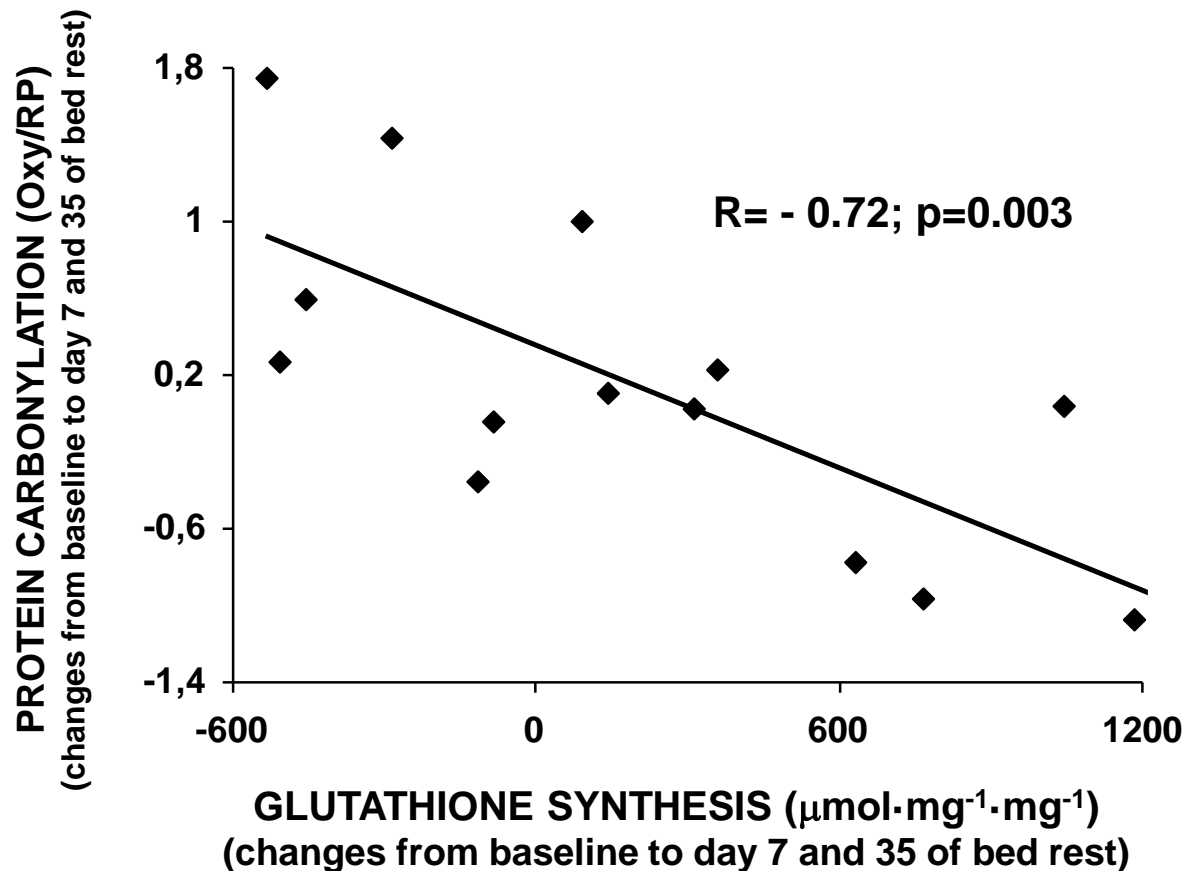
Sies H. Exp Physiol. 1997



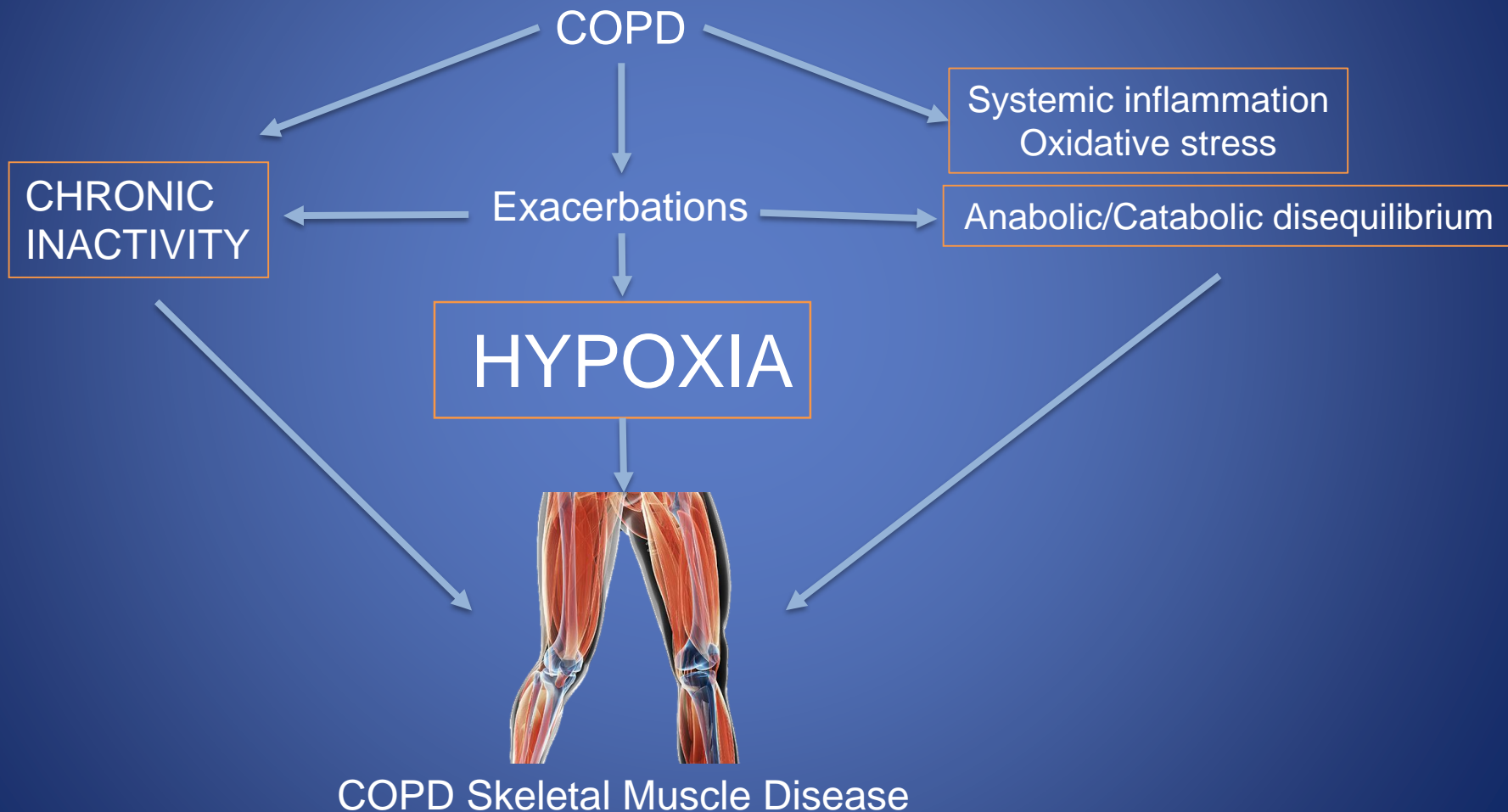
Powers SK et al. Antioxid. Redox Signal. 2011 - modified

Glutathione synthetic capacity directly modulates oxidative stress

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BED REST-INDUCED CHANGES IN GLUTATHIONE SYNTHESIS AND PROTEIN CARBONYLATION



CHRONIC DISEASES AND MUSCLE WAISTING



Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) for protein

~0.83 g/kg/d

European Food Safety Agency, 2012
Food and Nutrition Board, 2002

Net balance of body proteins

Difference between *nitrogen intake* and *total nitrogen loss*

Nitrogen Balance
technique has
limitations

Systematic errors:

overestimated intake
underestimated losses

(Millward DJ. J Nutr. 1998)

Conceptual limitation:

metabolic adaptation to nitrogen intakes

(Young VR. J Nutr. 1986)

RDA



No differences between gender and age

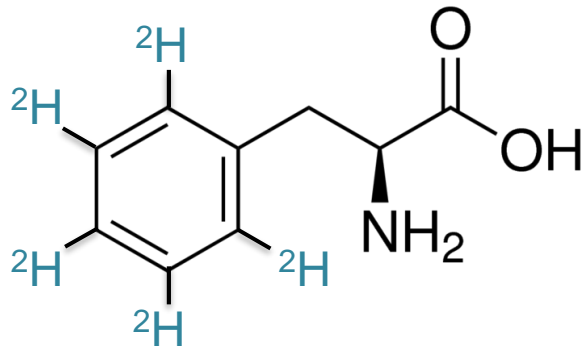
(Conley TB et al. J Nutr Biochem. 2013)

METODOLOGIA

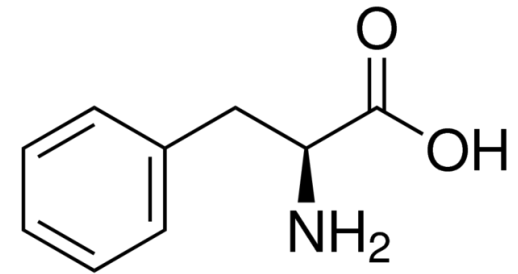
Gold-standard technique to determining protein needs
*Measurement of whole-body protein metabolism using
stable isotope-labeled amino acids*

Antonione et al., 2008

[ring-²H₅] – Phenylalanine



Phenylalanine



- Chemically identical
- Follow the same metabolic fate
- Non radioactive
- Evaluable through GCMS

- Long-lasting
- Complex
- Decreased compliance
- Expansive



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PLANETARY HABITAT SIMULATION



STUDY DESIGN

- 10 healthy men. Each subject participated in a randomized crossing-over design study.
 - 3 campaigns, 2 months washout.
- 3 different experimental protocols were performed:

10-d BED REST IN NORMOXIC CONDITION

10-d BED REST IN HYPOXIC CONDITION

10-d NORMAL PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IN HYPOXIC CONDITION



- Participants were kept in isocaloric condition.
- Hypoxia levels: 12.5 kPa = 4000 mt. above the sea.

STUDY DESIGN

10-d BED REST IN NORMOXIC CONDITION

10-d BED REST IN HYPOXIC CONDITION

10-d NORMAL PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IN HYPOXIC CONDITION

BDC-1

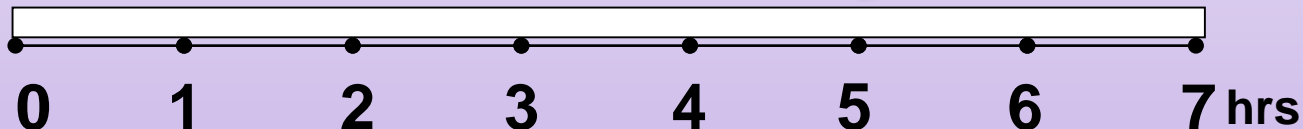
- 7:00 AM
- Fasting state
- Body composition: DXA
- Baseline blood collection (t_0)
- Polyethylene catheter inserted into the antecubital veins of both arms

10th-d

[ring- $^2\text{H}_5$] – Phenylalanine INFUSION

$^2\text{H}_2$ – Tyrosine INFUSION

} Whole body protein metabolism



Blood draw

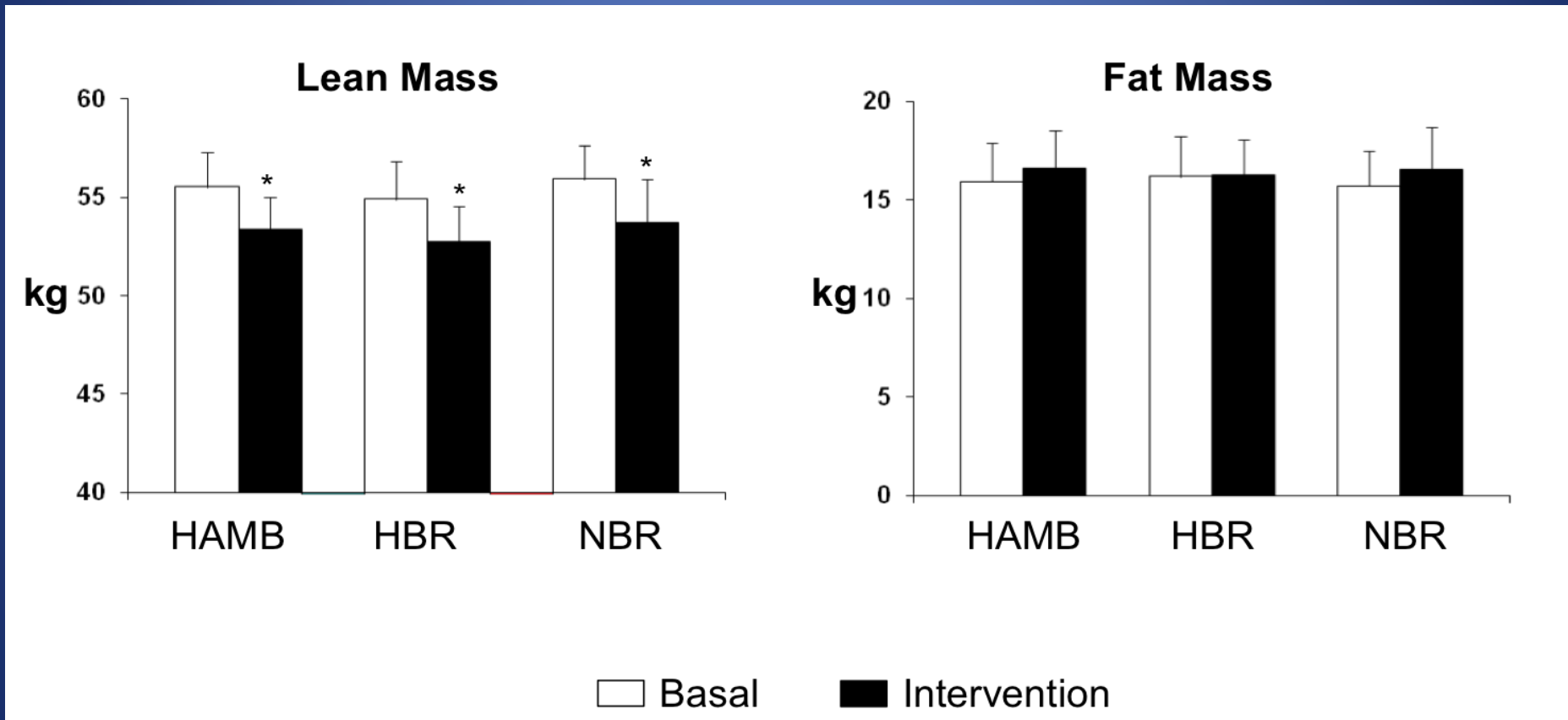
Blood draw

Blood draw

Blood draw

BODY COMPOSITION

Assessed by DEXA
(Discovery W—QDr series, Hologic, Bedford USA)



HAMB = Hypoxia in ambulatory condition
HBR = Hypoxic bed rest
NBR = Normoxic bed rest

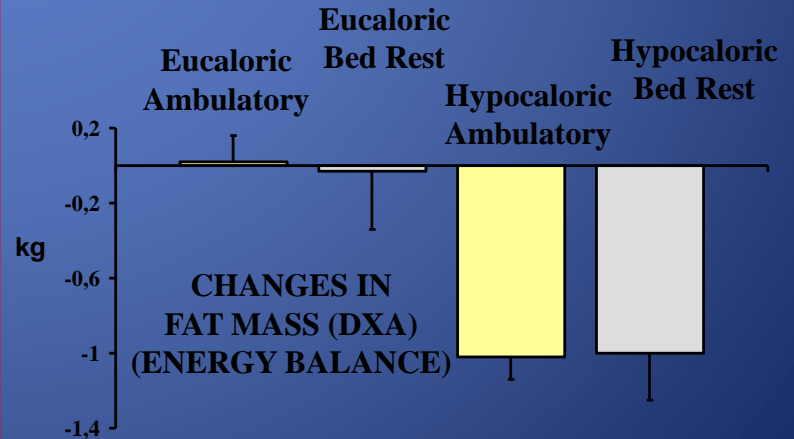
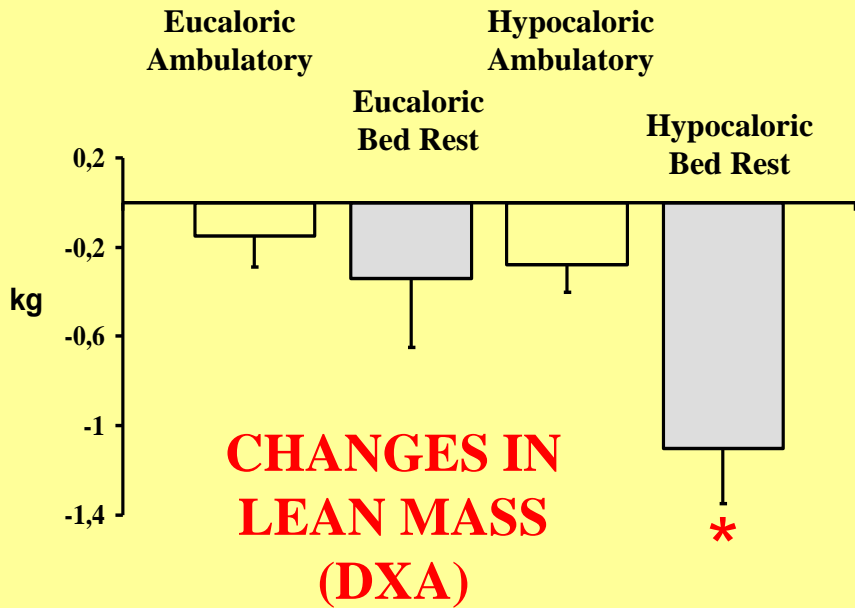
Debevec T. et al. 2014

Our preliminary data from bed rest studies

Calorie restriction accelerates the catabolism of lean body mass during 2 wk of bed rest¹⁻³

Gianni Biolo, Beniamino Ciochi, Manuela Stulle, Alessandra Bosutti, Rocco Barazzoni, Michela Zanetti, Raffaella Antonione, Marion Lebenstedt, Petra Platen, Martina Heer, and Gianfranco Guarneri

Am J Clin Nutr 2007;86:366-72.



9 NORMAL MALE VOLUNTEERS

Randomized Cross-Over

DEXA

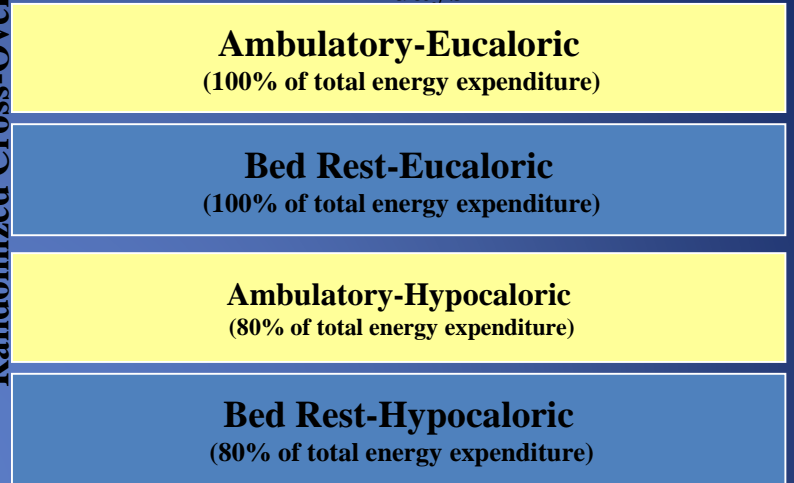
DEXA

EXPERIMENTAL PROTOCOL

STBR study DLR – Cologne – Germany



14 days



Whole body protein kinetics
Inflammatory markers

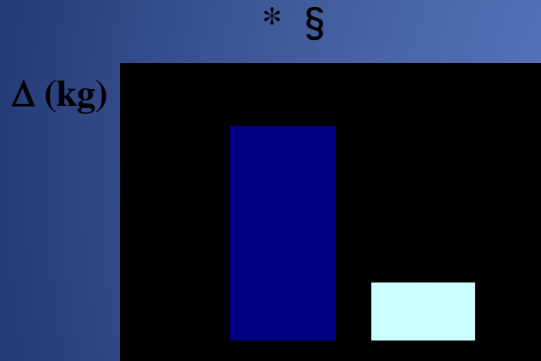
Our preliminary data from bed rest studies

Positive energy balance is associated with accelerated muscle atrophy and increased erythrocyte glutathione turnover during 5 wk of bed rest¹⁻³

Gianni Biolo, Francesco Agostini, Bostjan Simunic, Mariella Sturza, Lucio Torelli, Jean Charles Preiser, Ginette Deby-Dupont, Paolo Magni, Felice Strollo, Pietro di Prampero, Gianfranco Guarneri, Igor ...
Rado Pijot, and Marco V Narici

Am J Clin Nutr 2008;88:950-8.

Changes in fat mass (bioimpedence)



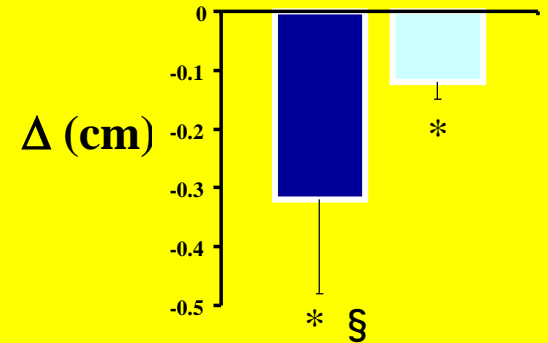
■ Positive Energy Balance

■ Near-neutral Energy Balance

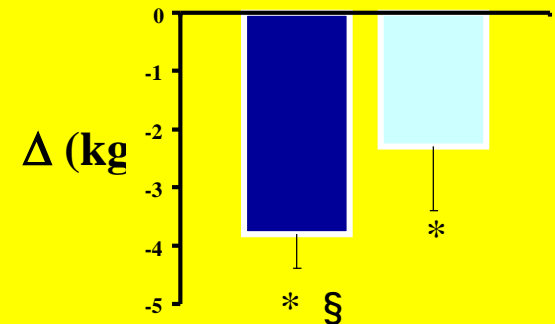
*, $p < 0.05$ significant different from zero;
§, $p < 0.05$ versus near-neutral energy balance

EFFECTS OF POSITIVE ENERGY BALANCE ON BED REST-MEDIATED MUSCLE ATROPHY

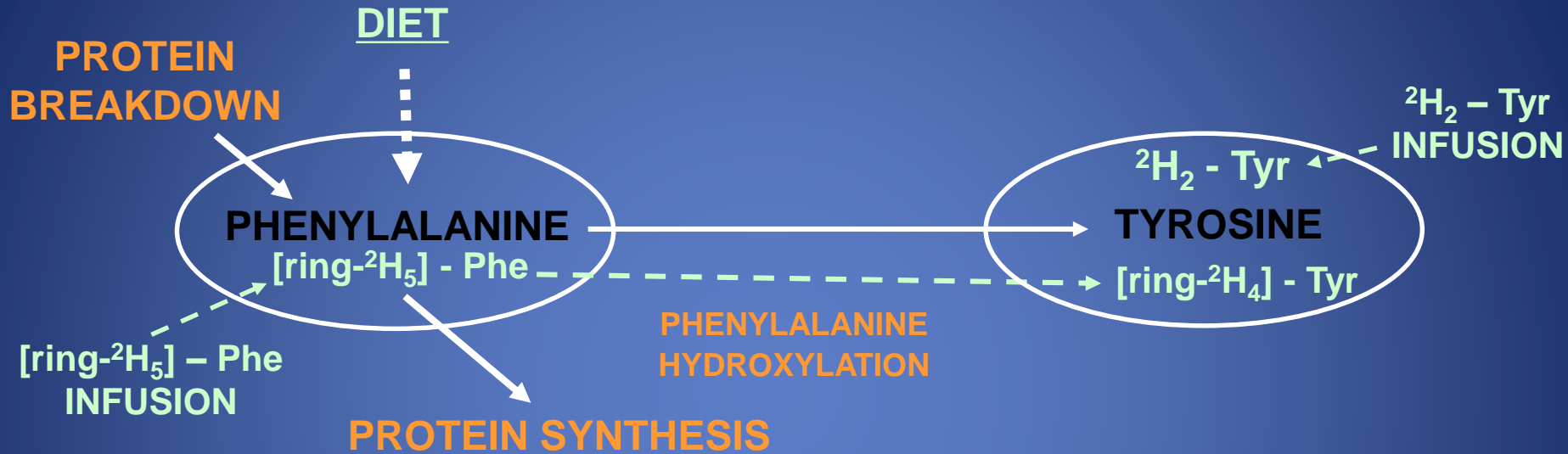
Changes in vastus lateralis thickness (ultrasounds)



Changes in fat-free mass (bioimpedence)



MEASUREMENT OF WHOLE-BODY PROTEIN METABOLISM IN VIVO



Phenylalanine and Tyrosine metabolic measurements

PROTEIN KINETICS

$$Phe_B = \frac{IR \text{ [ring-}^2\text{H}_5\text{]-Phe}}{E \text{ [ring-}^2\text{H}_5\text{]-Phe}}$$

$$Phe_{hydrox} = \frac{IR \text{ }^2\text{H}_2\text{-Tyr} \times E \text{ [ring-}^2\text{H}_4\text{]-Tyr}}{E \text{ }^2\text{H}_2\text{-Tyr} \times E \text{ [ring-}^2\text{H}_5\text{]-Phe}}$$

$$Phe_S = Phe_B - Phe_{hydrox}$$

IR = Infusion rate

E = Enrichment

Phe_S = Protein Synthesis

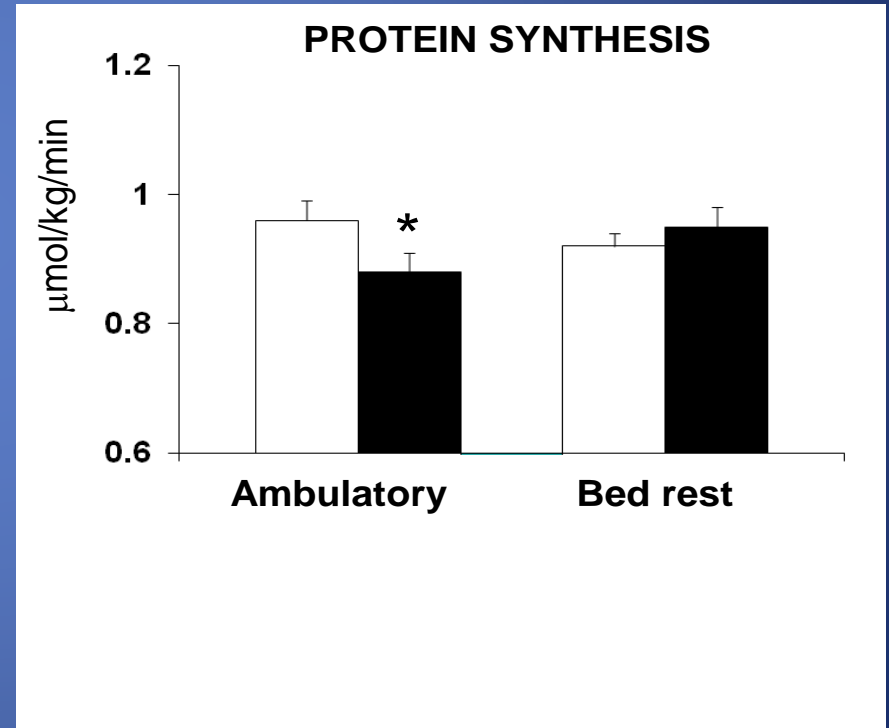
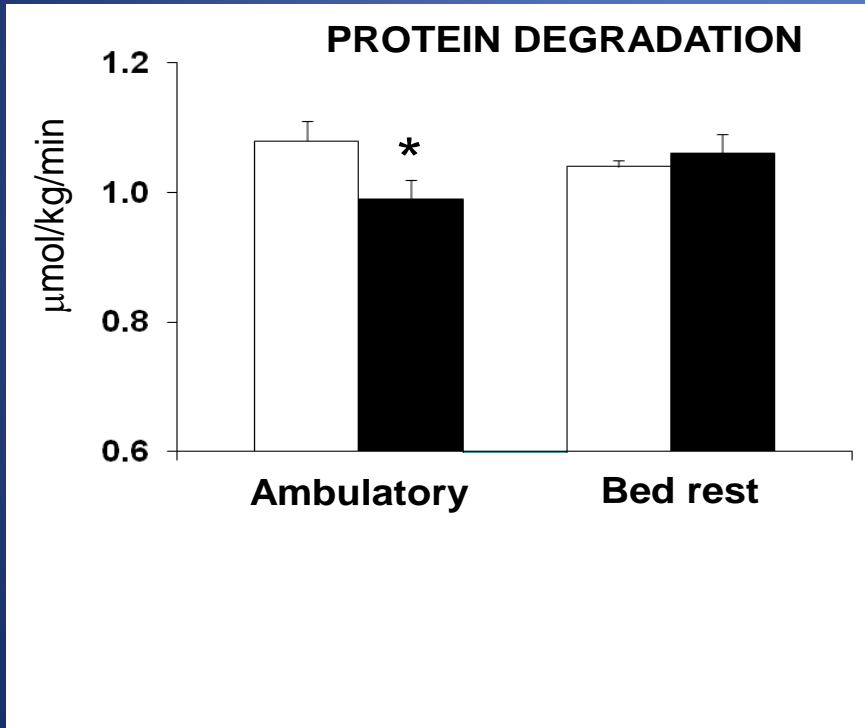
Phe_B = Protein Breakdown

Phe_{hydrox} = Phenylalanin to Tyrosin hydroxylation

RESULTS

EFFECTS OF 10-d BED REST AND/OR 10-d EXPOSURE TO HYPOXIA ON PROTEIN KINETICS

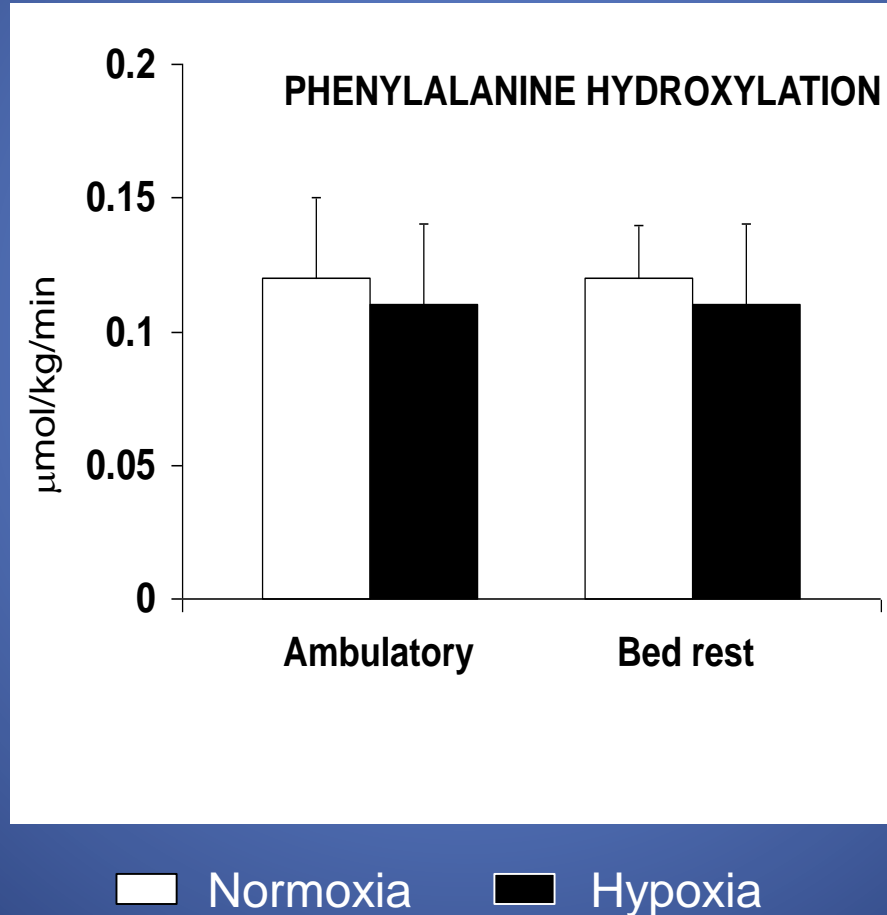
*p<005



□ Normoxia ■ Hypoxia

RESULTS

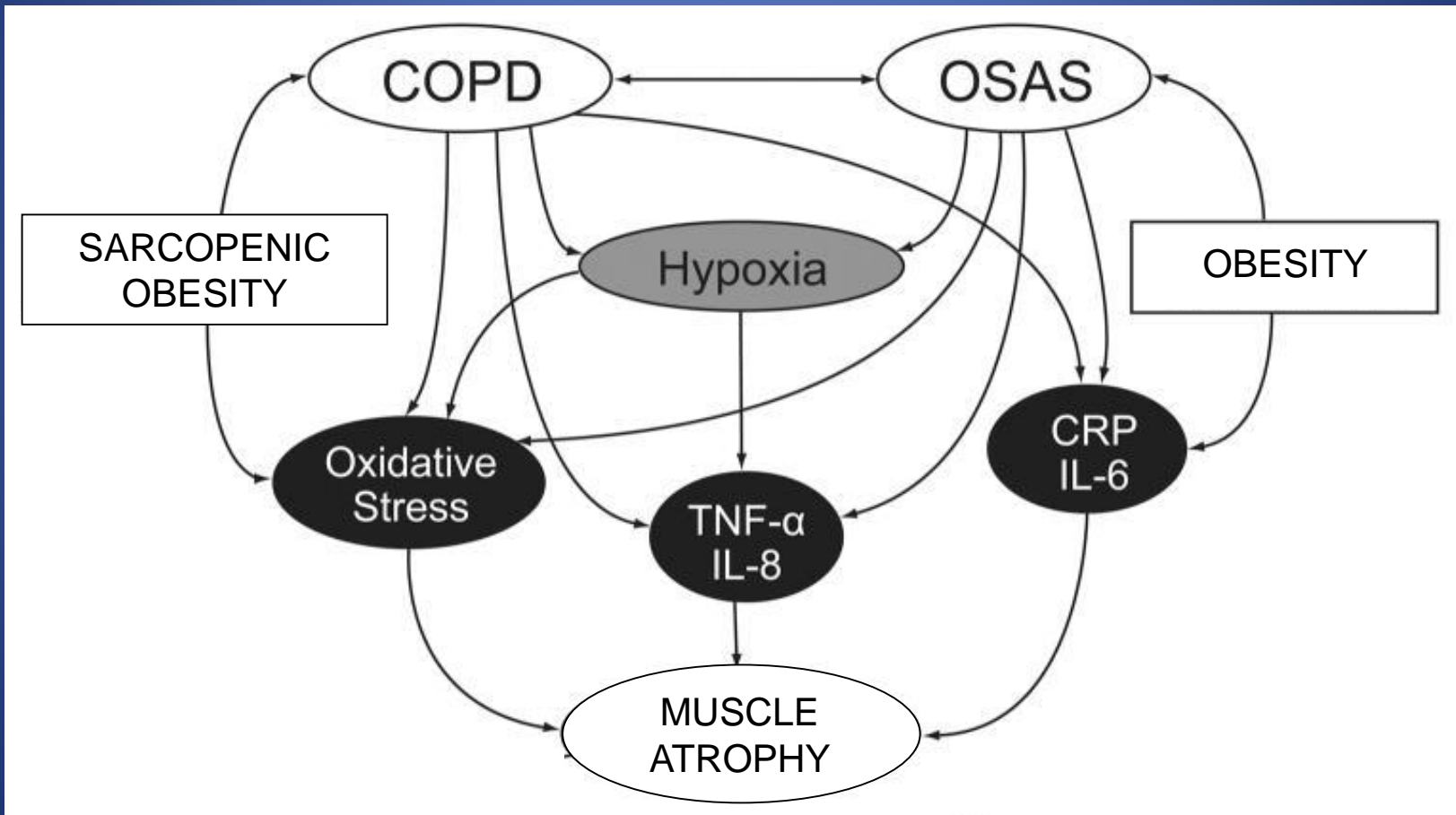
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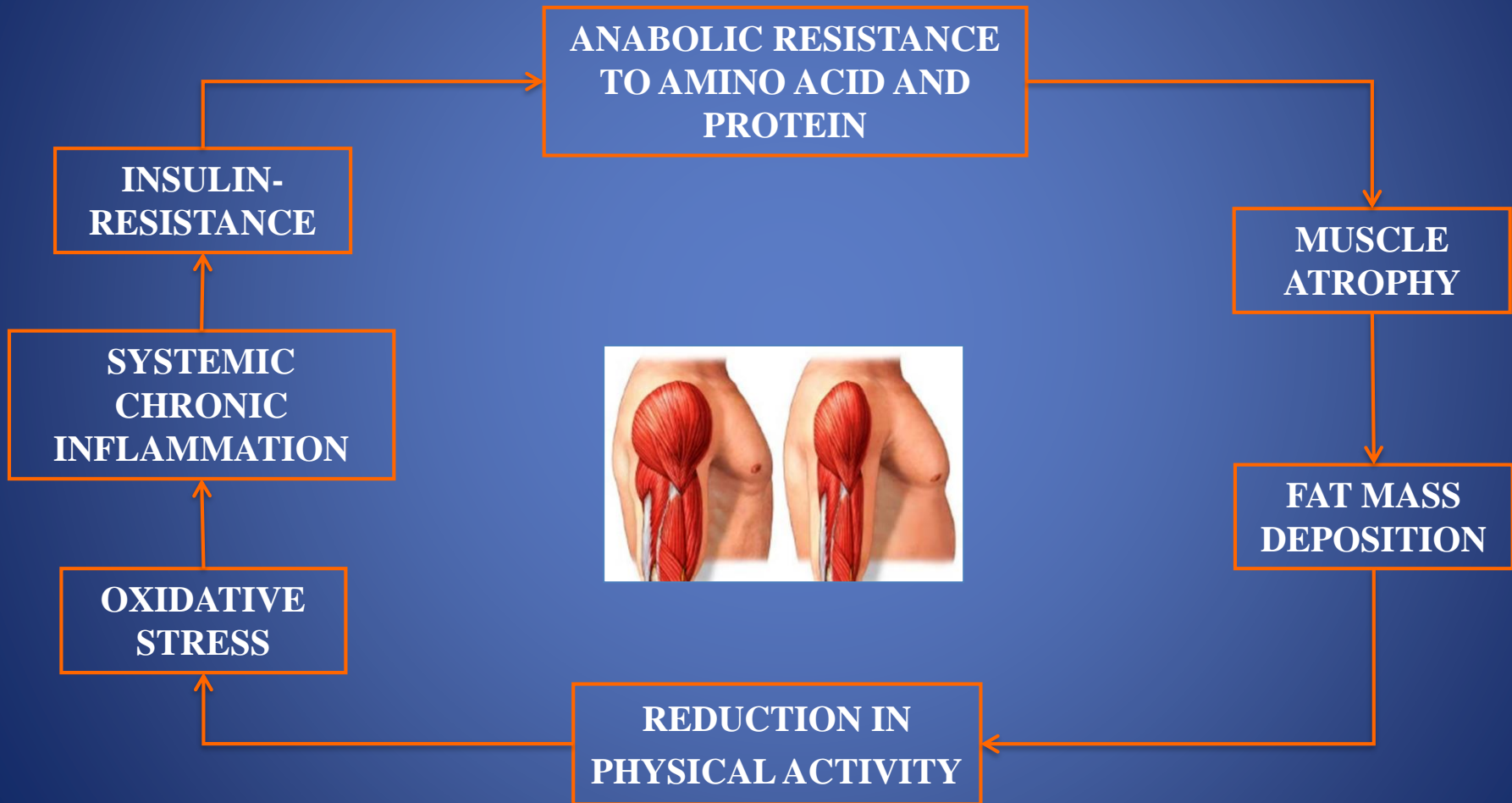
CONCLUSIONI

- Chronic exposure to experimental hypoxia decreases whole body protein synthesis in the post-absorptive state, suggesting an increased protein requirement.

SARCOPENIA: Effect of hypoxia



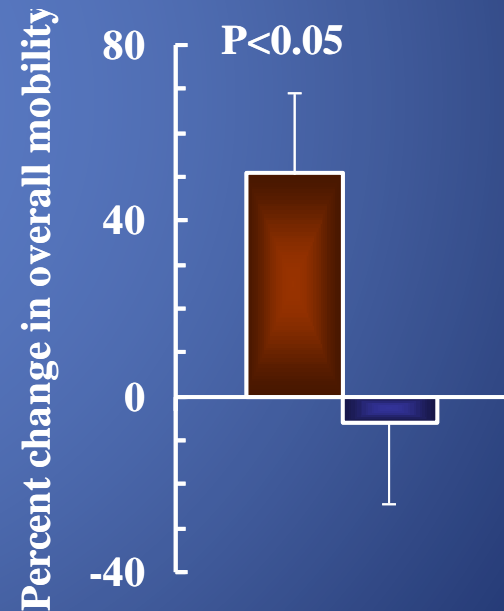
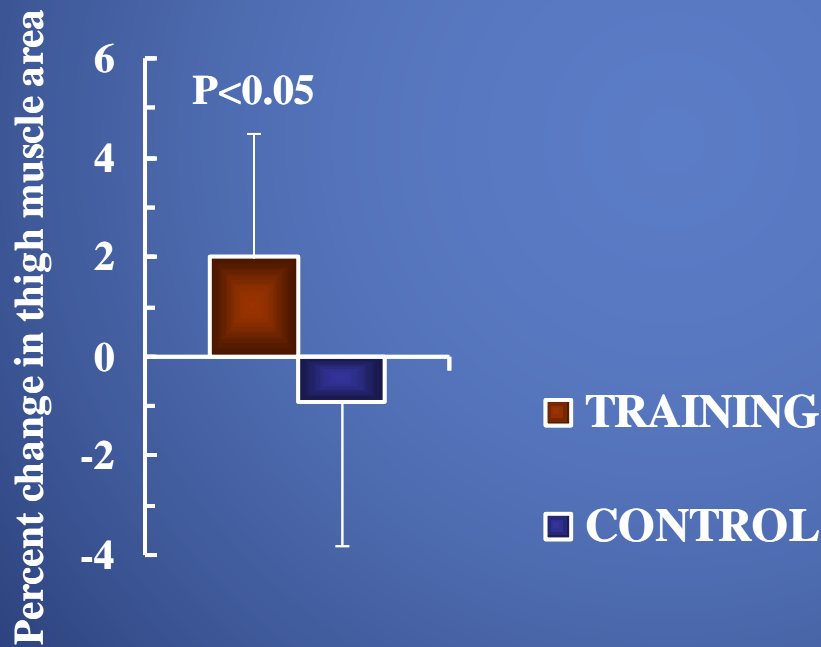
SARCOPENIA



Exercise Training for Physical Frailty in Very Elderly People

Fiatarone et al., New Engl J Med 1994

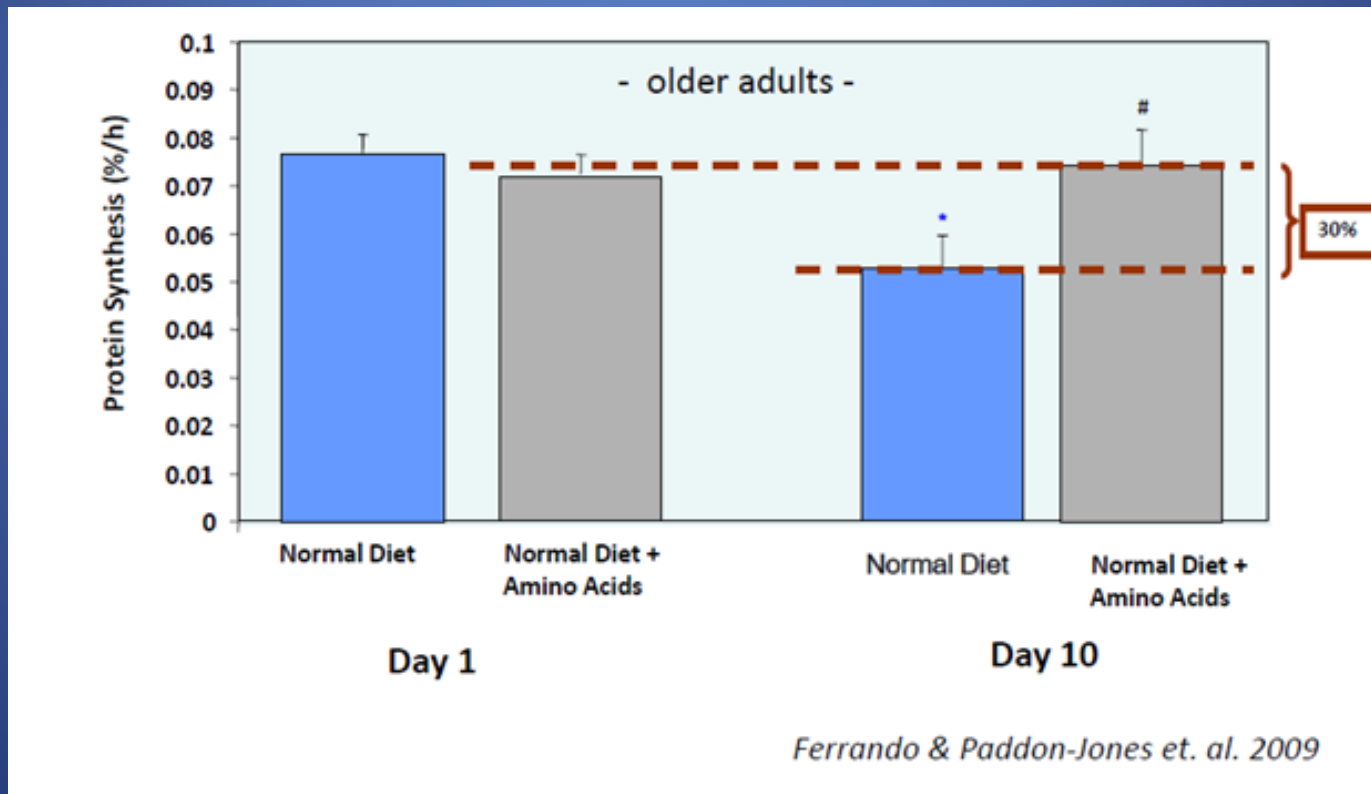
Randomized, placebo-controlled trial. 100 frail nursing home residents. Progressive resistance exercise training over a 10-week period.



Aging, immobilization and anabolic resistance

EAA supplementation to increase nitrogen intake improves muscle function during bed rest in the elderly[☆]

Clinical nutrition





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VOLONTARI



8 Elderly volunteers

Age (y): 59 ± 1

Height (m): 1.73 ± 0.04

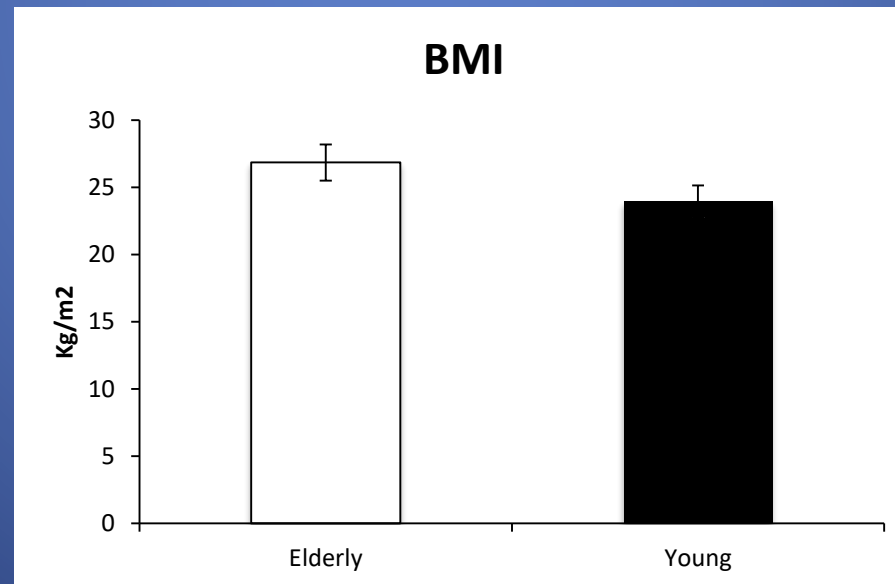
Weight (kg): 79.6 ± 10.5

7 Young volunteers

Age (y): 23 ± 1

Height (m): 1.77 ± 0.07

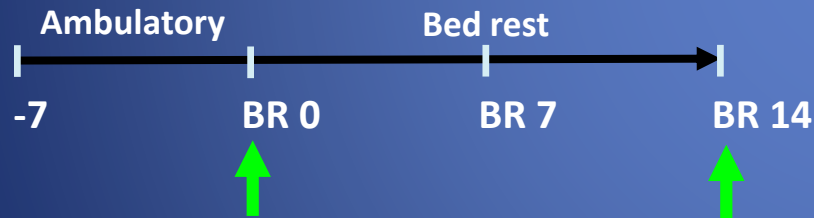
Weight (kg): 74.8 ± 8.8



DISEGNO SPERIMENTALE

7 healthy young (23 ± 1 y) subjects

8 healthy old (59 ± 1 y) subjects



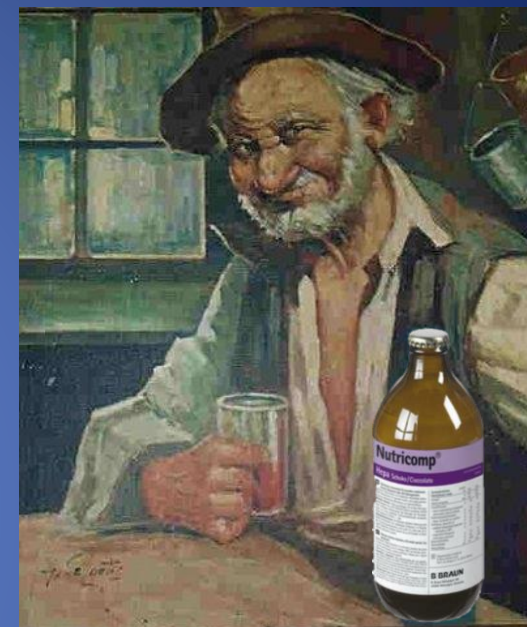
- Body composition: bioimpedance
- Metabolic test: Oral Meal Test + D5-Phe load

• Participants were kept in isocaloric condition.

PROCEDURA SPERIMENTALE

ORAL MEAL TEST and D5-Phe BOLUS

- 7:00 AM
- Fasting state (12h)
- Baseline blood collection (t_0)
- Drink in 5 min
- Duration: 6h (1 blood sample per hour)

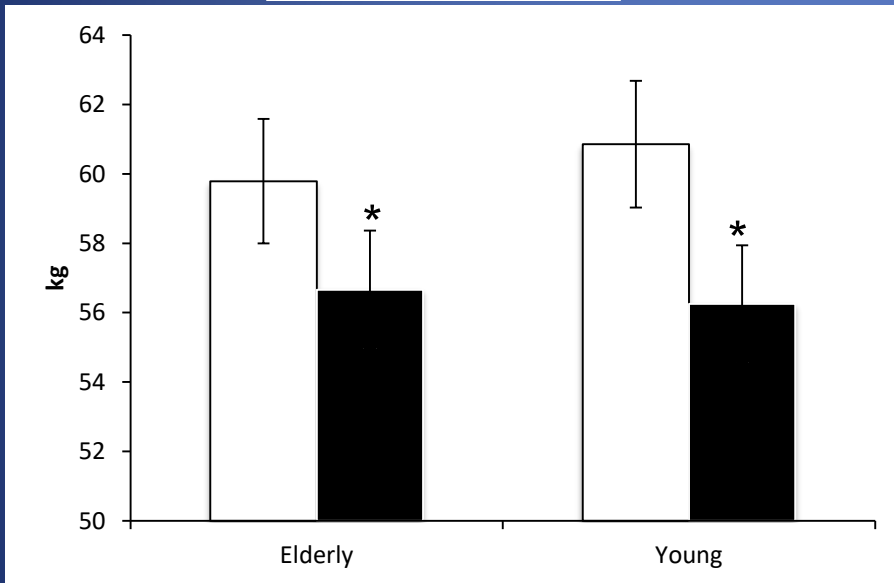


- ☆ Meal test administration (55% carbohydrate, 15% proteins, 30% lipids)
- ★ Oral administration of a single bolus of 0.3g of D5-Phe
- ↑ Blood draw for baseline data collection
- ↑ Blood draw

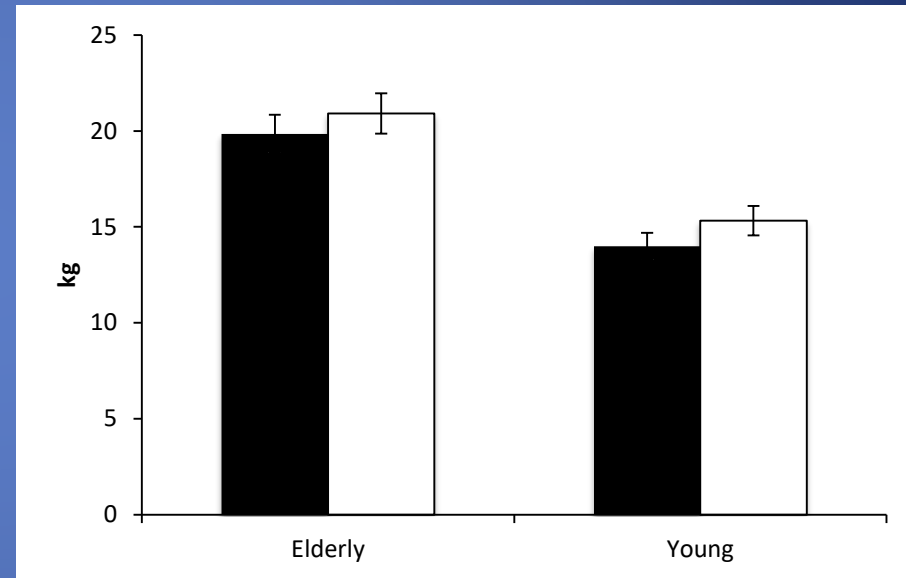
COMPOSIZIONE CORPOREA

Assessed by BIOIMPEDANCE

MASSA MAGRA



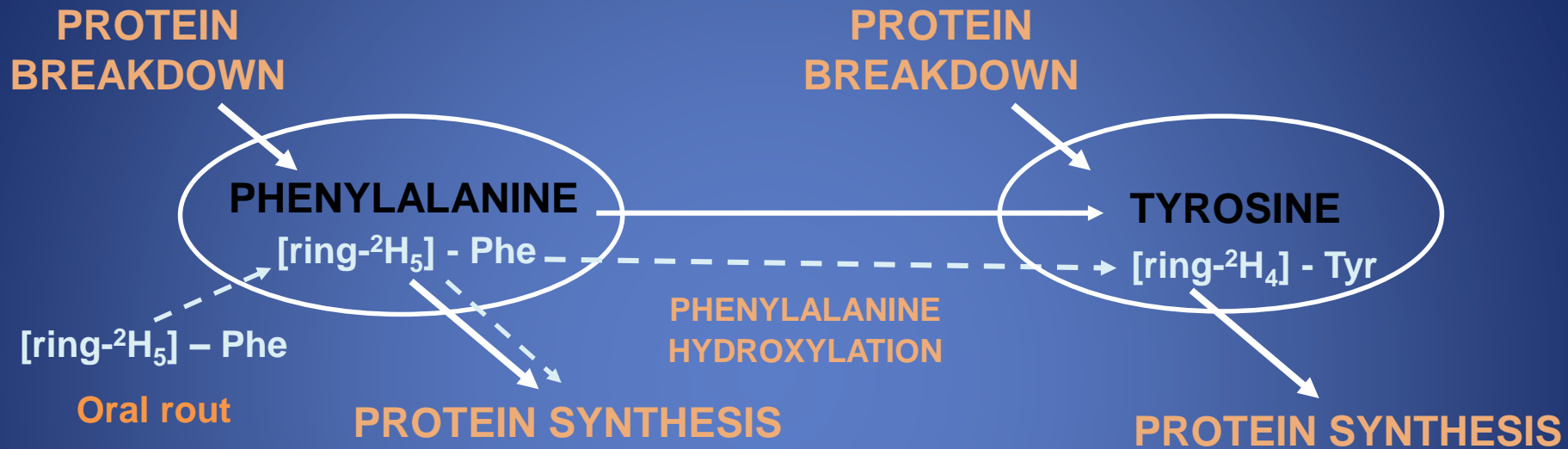
MASSA GRASSA



■ BDC-1 ■ BR 14

* = $p < 0.05$

MISURAZIONE DELLA RISPOSTA ANABOLICA IN VIVO



Unlabelled amino acids concentrations

$$[aa] = \frac{a \times (E - E_{t0})}{100}$$

D5-Phe and D4-Tyr concentrations

$$[aa^*] = \frac{[aa] \times TTR}{100}$$

$[aa^*]$ concentration of the labelled amino acids

$[aa]$ concentration of the unlabelled amino acids

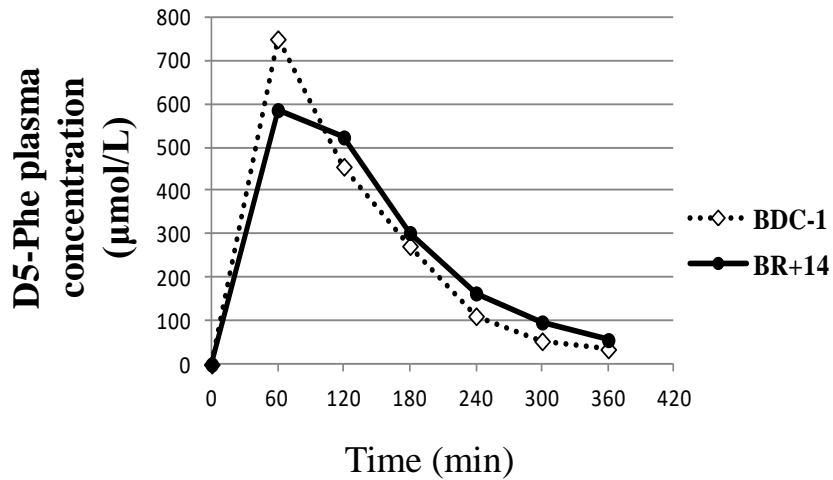
a = concentration of the internal standard

$E - E_{t0}$ = difference between the isotopic enrichment of the internal standard and the natural enrichment

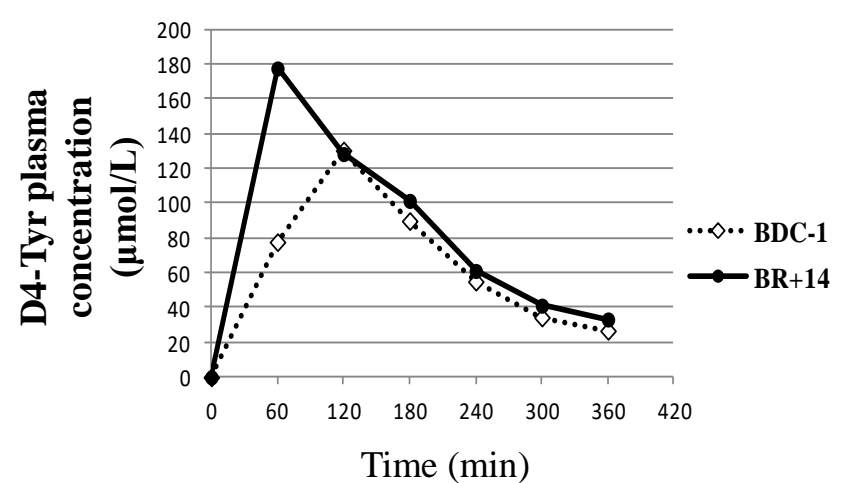
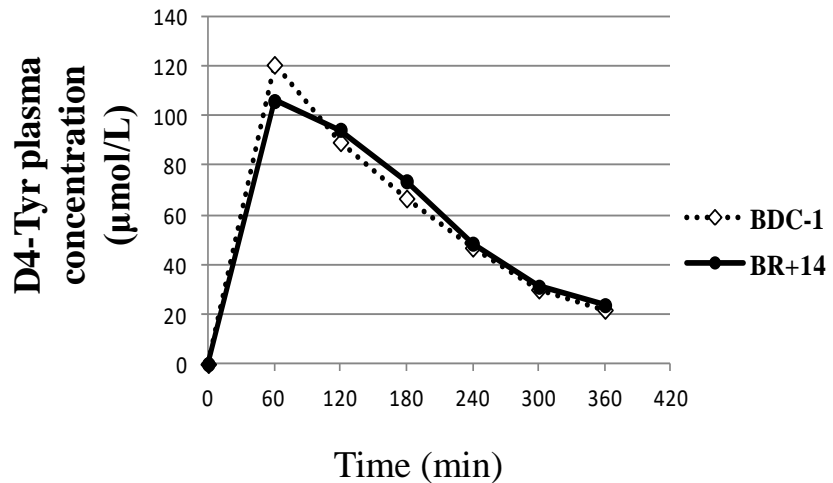
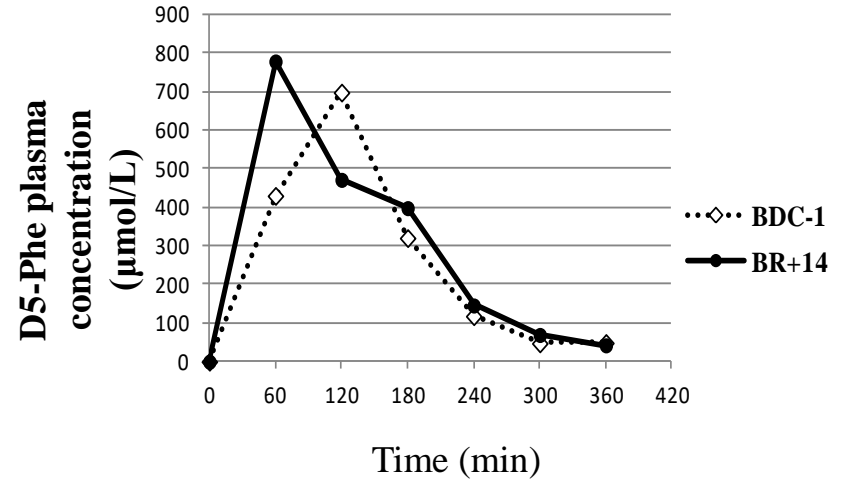
TTR = difference between the enrichment of the labelled amino acids and the unlabelled amino acids

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Young Group



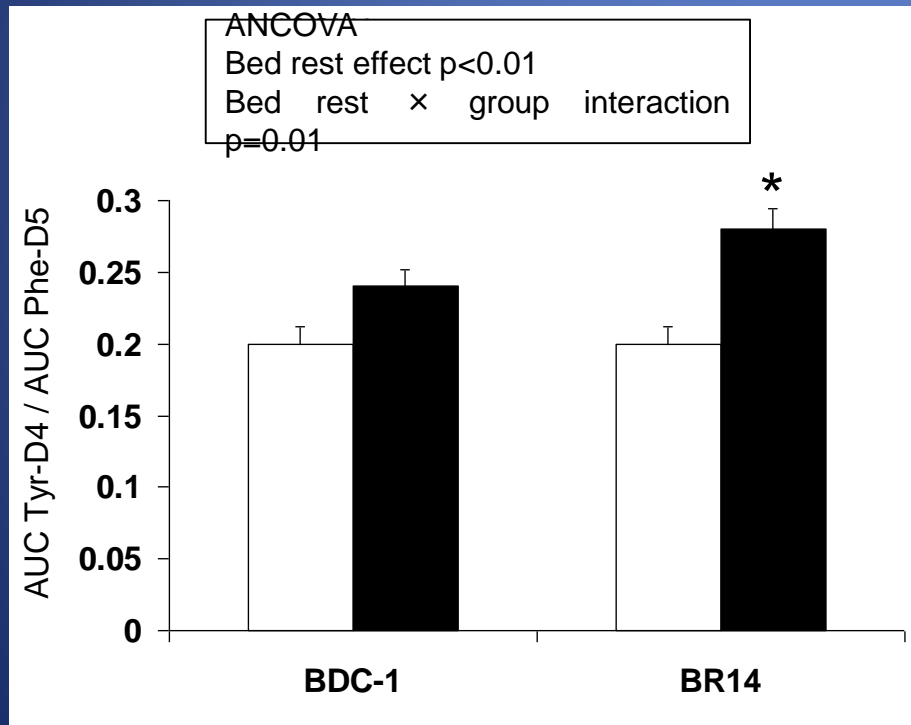
Elderly Group



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ANABOLIC RESISTANCE: A NEW METHOD

AUC D4-Tyr / AUC D5-Phe (T₀-T₃₆₀)

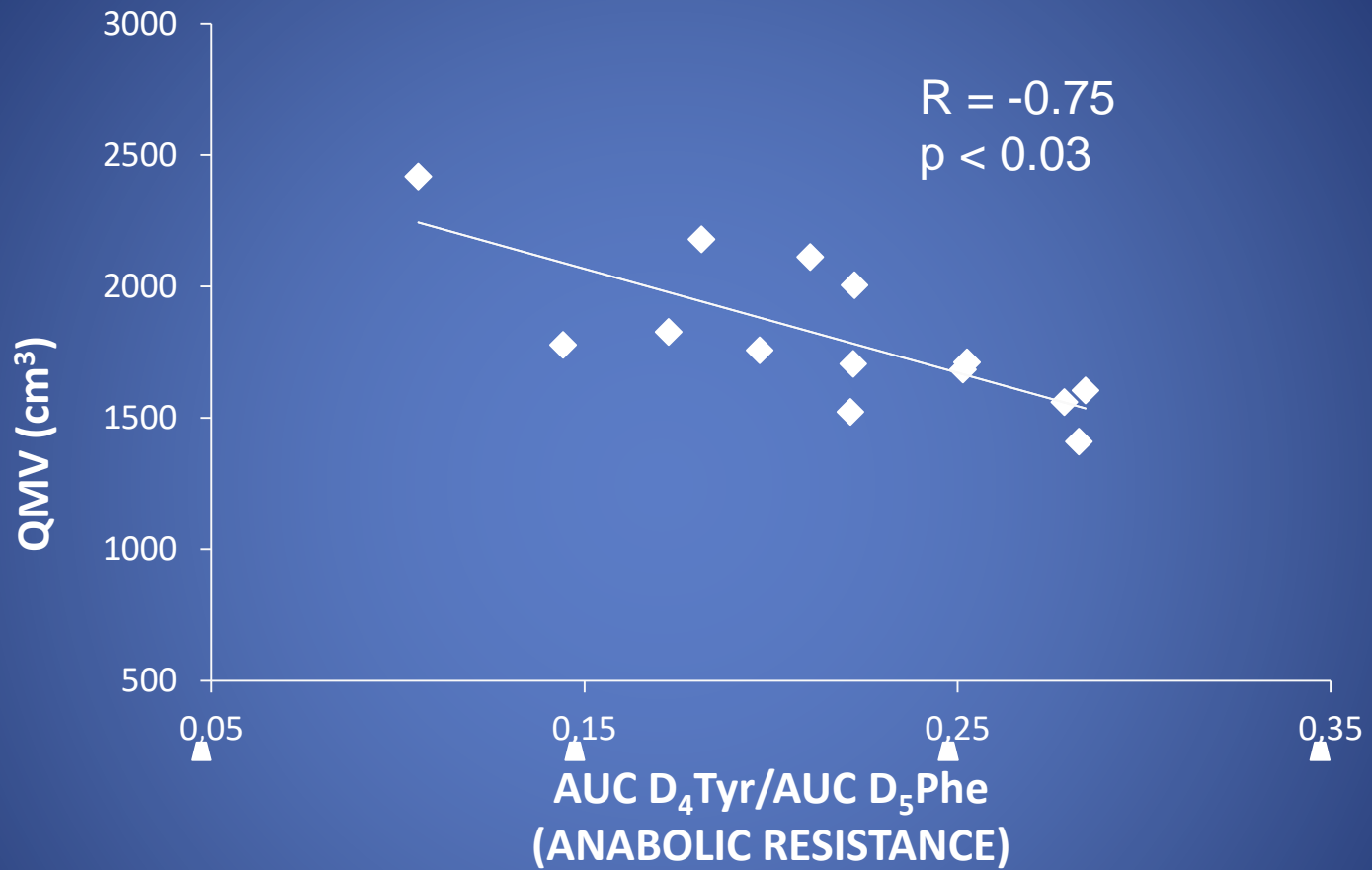


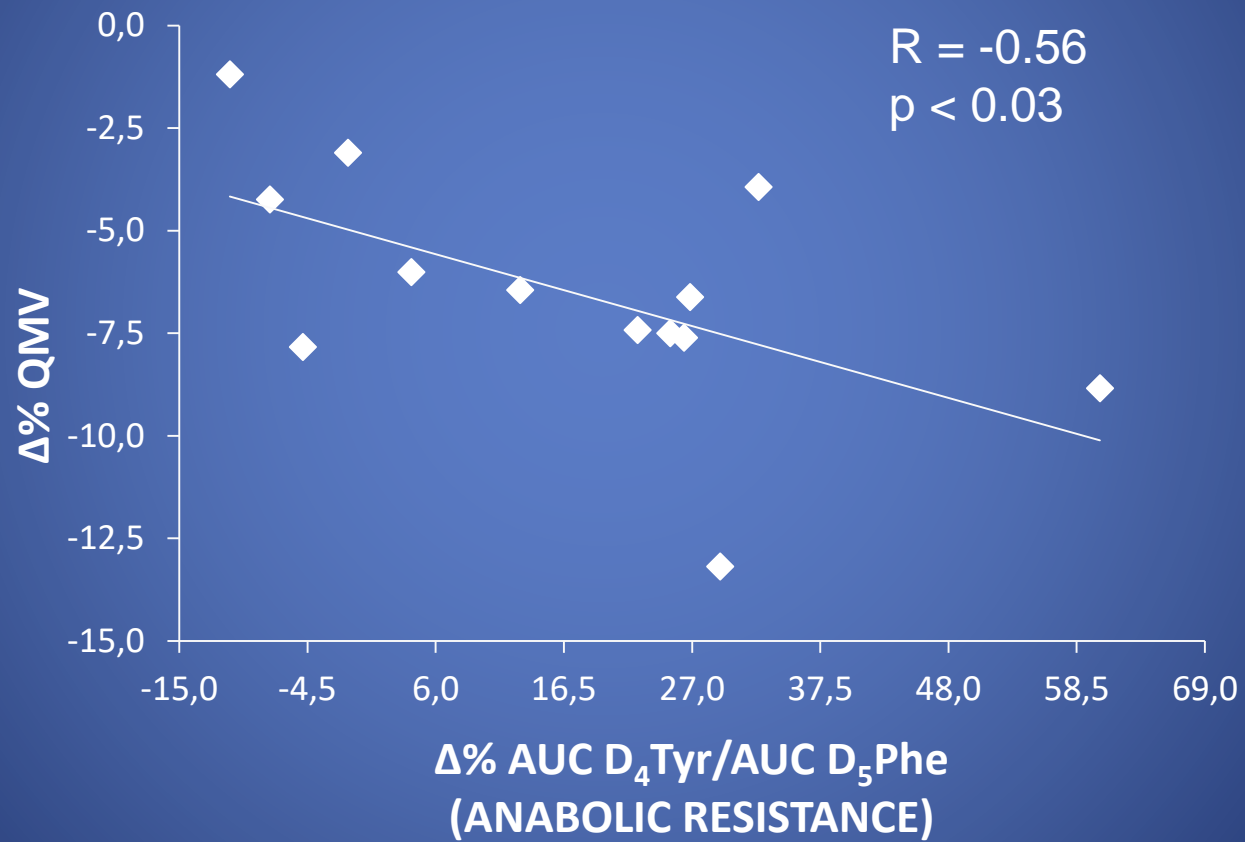
VARIATION (%)

+5 ± 9% YOUNG

+19 ± 7% ELDERLY

■ Elderly ■ Young



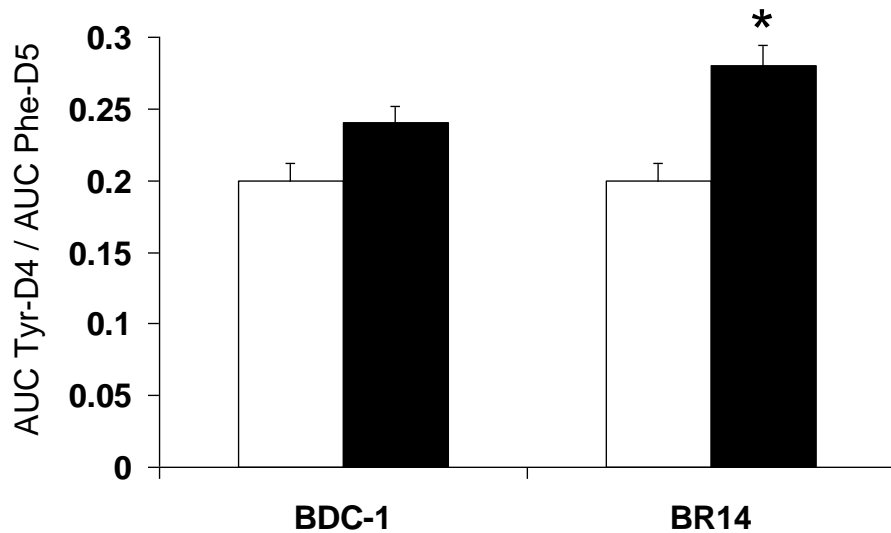


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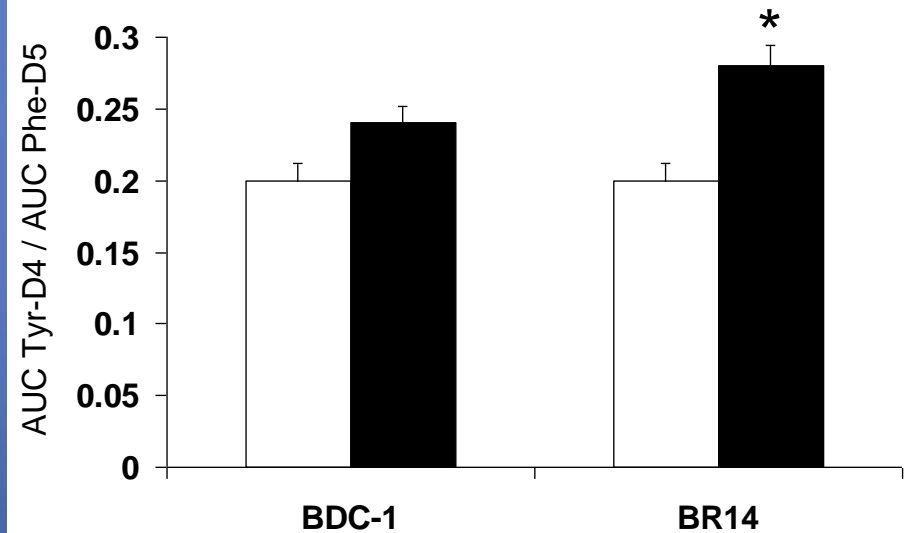
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ANCOVA
Bed rest effect $p < 0.01$
Bed rest \times group interaction $p = 0.01$



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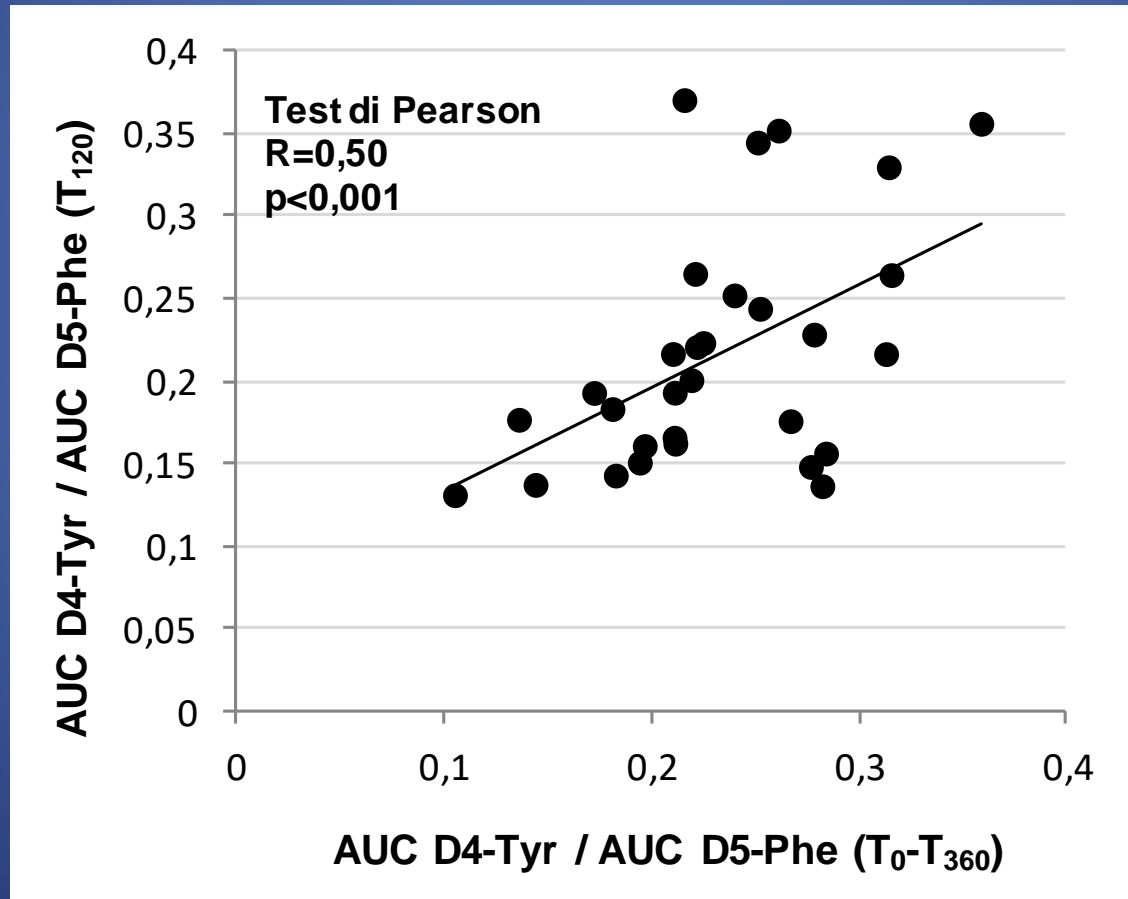
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- Ageing and immobilization determine the development of anabolic resistance.
- We proposed a new easier method to assess anabolic resistance.

This new, simple, method:

- Is safe (no need of aseptic tracer solution).
- reduces time and costs.
- improves compliance of evaluated individuals.

PROTEIN INTAKE

quantity

&

quality

protein quantity

Reccommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) for protein

~0.83 g/kg/d

European Food Safety Agency, 2012
Food and Nutrition Board, 2002

RDA → No differences between gender and age
(Conley TB et al. J Nutr Biochem. 2013)

Optimal protein intake in the elderly

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“Protein intakes above the RDA value have no benefit and may pose long-term health risks.”

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Higher protein intake has been shown to be useful in subjects with:

- Ageing
- COPD
- Obesity
- Type 2 diabetes
- Heart disease

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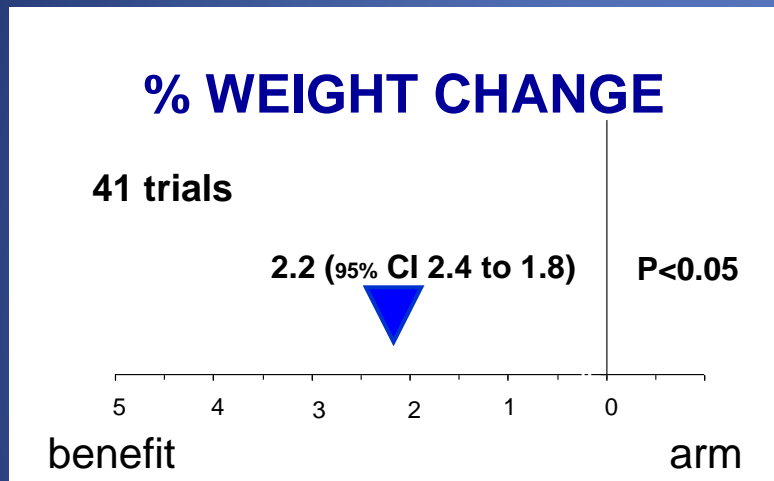
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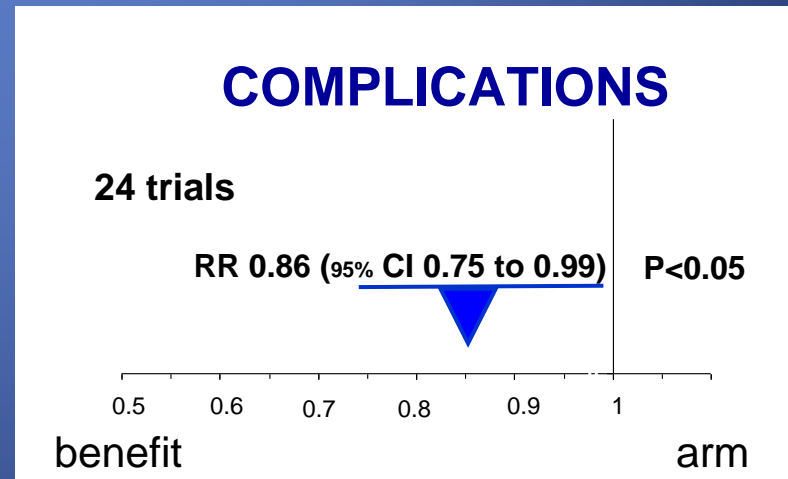
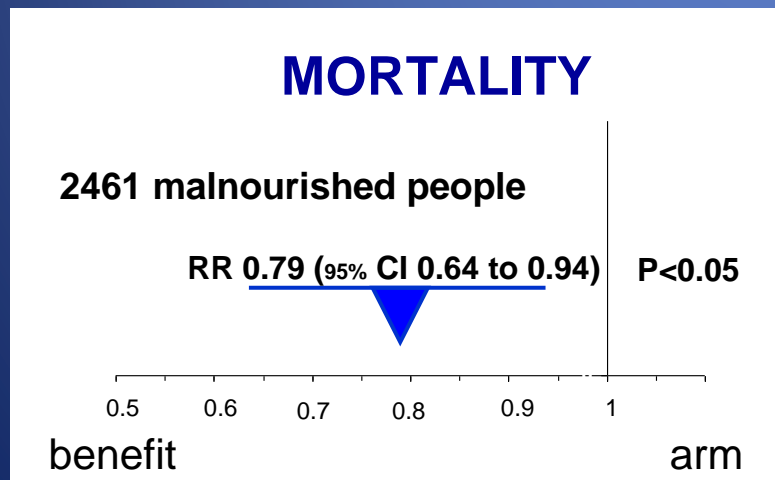
Layman DK *Nutrition & Metabolism*, 2009

Protein and energy supplementation in elderly people at risk from malnutrition

Cochrane Database Syst Rev 2009



62 trials
10,187 participants
commercial “sip-feeds”
intervention < 18 months



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PROT-AGE recommendations for protein levels in geriatric patients with specific acute or chronic diseases

- The amount of additional dietary protein or supplemental protein needed depends on the disease, its severity, the patient's nutritional status prior to disease, as well as the disease impact on the patient's nutritional status.
- Most older adults who have an acute or chronic disease need more dietary protein (ie, 1.2–1.5 g/kg BW/d); people with severe illness or injury or with marked malnutrition may need as much as 2.0 g/kg BW/d.
- Older people with severe kidney disease (ie, estimated glomerular filtration rate [GFR] < 30 mL/min/1.73m²) who are not on dialysis are an exception to the high-protein rule; these individuals need to limit protein intake.

CHRONIC DISEASES

424 subjects with Cardiovascular Disease were enrolled at the “Cardiovascular Centre” of the Ospedale Maggiore (Trieste, Italy).



	Male (n=237)	Female (n=187)	Total (n=424)
AGE	68±12	69±14	68±13
BMI	26 [24-30]	25 [22-28]	26 [23-29]
Abdominal circumference	98 [92-108]	90 [80-97]	95 [88-103]
CVD	73%	61%	68%
CV Events	30%	18%	25%

Protein intake according to level of physical activity

	METS = 0 (n=238 - 61,6%)	METS > 0 (n=148 - 38,4%)	p-value
GFR	64±24	71±21	0,665
Proteine g/kg/die	0,52 [0,42-0,63]	0,55 [0,43-0,67]	0,035
Eventi CV	25,6%	24,3%	0,774
Patologie CV	71,8%	62,2%	0,047
Rischio CV molto alto	54,6%	56,1%	0,779

- Only the 8% of the population reach the recommended protein intake (1 - 1,2 g/kg/die)
- Higher percentage of inactive subjects (61,6%)
- Lower protein intake in the inactive subjects
- High risk of SARCOPENIA

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Nondialysis CKD

PROT-AGE recommendations
for older people with kidney
disease

- **Severe CKD, GFR <30***: Limit protein intake to 0.8 g/kg BW[†]/d
 - **Moderate CKD, 30 <GFR <60**: Protein >0.8 g/kg BW[†]/d is safe, but GFR should be monitored 2x/year
 - **Mild CKD, GFR >60**: Increase protein intake per patient needs
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Hemodialysis

>1.2 g/kg BW[†]/d or, if achievable,
1.5 g/kg BW[†]/d[‡]

Peritoneal Dialysis

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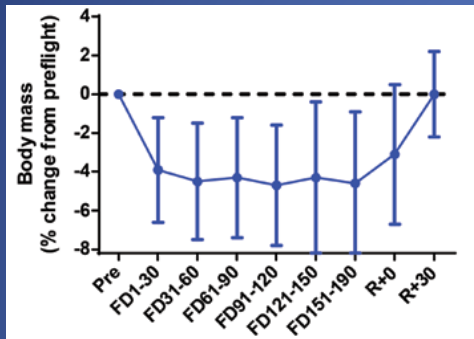
BW, body weight; CKD, chronic kidney disease; GFR, glomerular filtration rate.

*GFR is measured in mL/min/1.73 m².

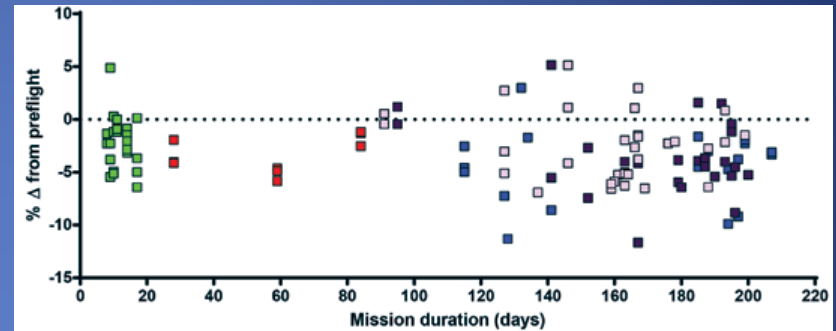
[†]Recommendations are based on ideal body weight. Regular follow-up supports compliance.

[‡]Prospective studies targeting these high protein intakes in older hemodialysis/peritoneal dialysis patients are not available.

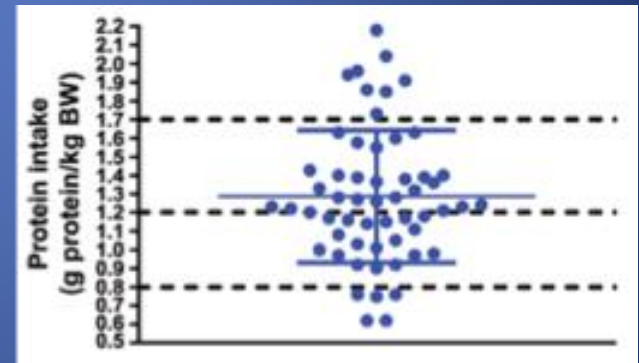
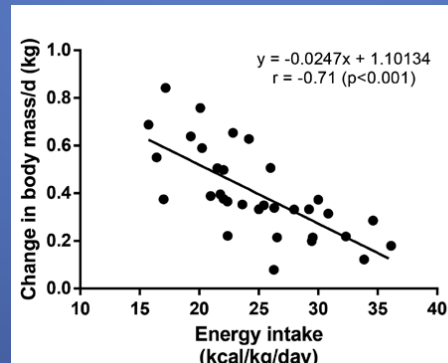
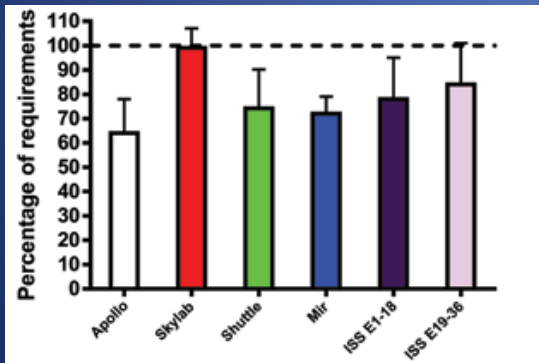
Data from previous space flight missions



Body mass losses of 1-5% of preflight body mass have been a typical finding in the history of spaceflight



Changes in body weight on the day of landing relative to before flight.



US and Russian space programs

the Space Shuttle (N=25), Skylab (N=9), Mir (N=19), ISS Expeditions 1-18 (N=26), Expeditions 19-36 (N=31).

MISURAZIONI DI POPOLAZIONE



- Capodistria ✓
- Udine ✓
- Lubiana ✓
- Trieste ✓
- Kranj ✓
- Ferrara ✓

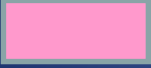



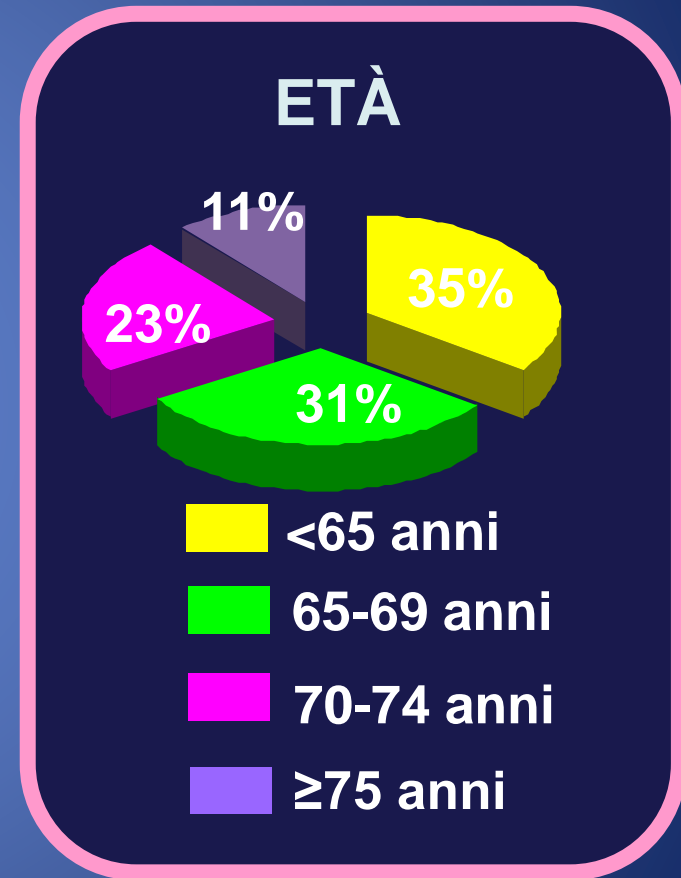
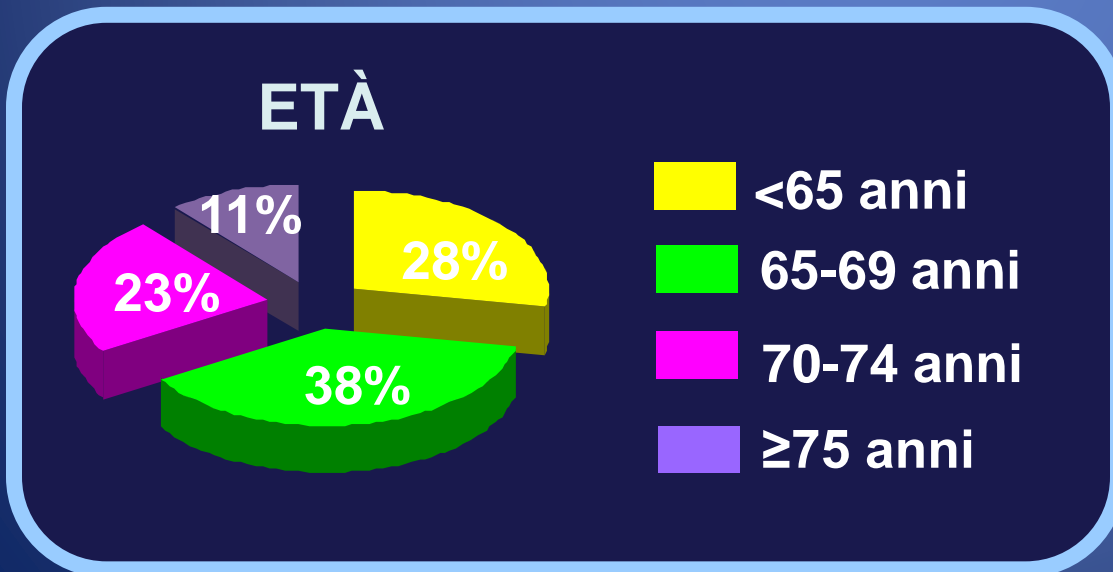
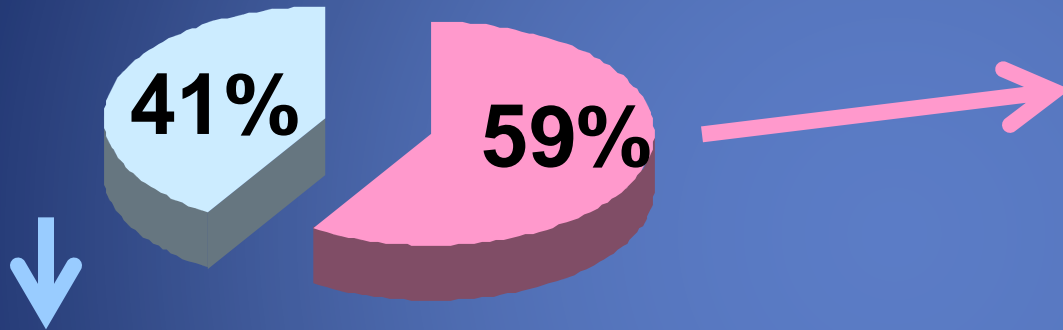
CRITERI PER L' ADESIONE

- ETÀ (non inferiore a 60 anni)
- CAPACITÀ DI CAMMINO PER 2 KM



SOGGETTI SELEZIONATI

-  Femmine (range età: 60-78 anni)
-  Maschi (range età: 60-77 anni)



STUDIO DI POPOLAZIONE

COMPLEX

Questionnaire
Urine
Blood
Anthropometrics, bioimpedance
Ultrasound visceral fat measurement
ECG
Cardiovascular capabilities
Flexibility
Maximum force and balance
Gait
Reaction time, attention, memory, logic capabilities

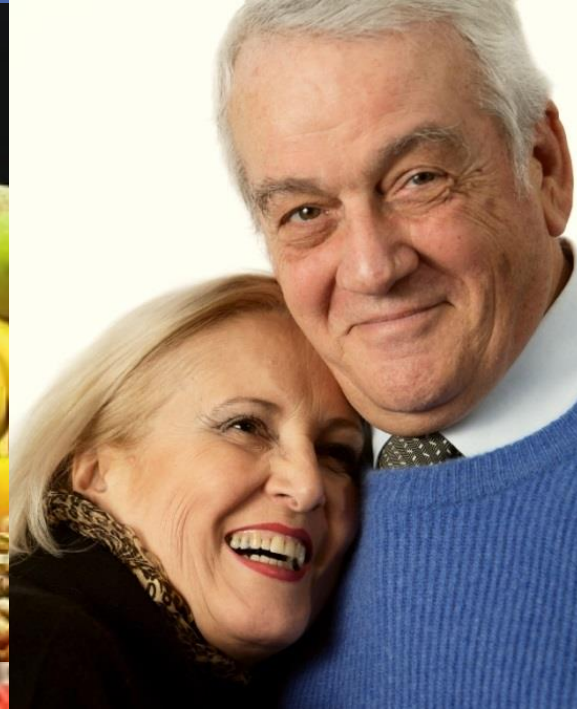
circa 3h

BASIC

Short questionnaire
Anthropometrics, bioimpedance
Immediate analysis of capillary blood
2 km walking test
dinamometriccs
10 m walking (3 repetitions)
flexibility – bent on a bench

circa 1,5h

ABITUDINI ALIMENTARI









24 HOUR RECALL (x2) e QUESTIONARI DI FREQUENZA DI CONSUMO

DATA DI NASCITA _____
 GENERE - UOMO DONNA

PASTI	ORA	LUOGO	CIBI E BEVANDE: TIPO, QUANTITÀ, CONDIMENTI
Colazione			
Merenda mattina e spuntini			
Pranzo			
Merenda pomeriggio e spuntini			
Cena			
Dopocena			

ATLANTE FOTOGRAFICO DELLE PORZIONI E DEI PESI

		
Latte 200 ml	CorNFLakes 30 g	Zucchero Cucchiaino = 5 grammi Cucchiaino da tè = 10 grammi Bustina = 5 grammi
		
Pane 60 g	100 g	Olio: cucchiaino da minestra

QUESTIONARIO ALIMENTARE DI FREQUENZA DEI CONSUMI

DATA _____

NOME E COGNOME.....CODICE.....

Il questionario valuta quanto spesso i cibi elencati sono stati assunti nel corso dell'ultimo anno (per frutta e verdura fare riferimento alla stagione, ad es: Quando è stagione di ciliegie, quanto spesso le consuma?)

GRUPPO LATTE E LATTICINI	Più volte al giorno	1x giorno	5-6x settimana	2-4x settimana	1x settimana	1-3x mese	MAI
A - Latte (al naturale, con caffè, orzo, al cioccolato, al cacao, ecc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
B - Yogurt, latte acido, kefir	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C - Formaggio, ricotta, formaggini	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
D - Panna, panna acida	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
E - Budini al latte, gelato al latte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
F - Fric	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
G - Grana, parmigiano o stravecchio sui primi piatti	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

CONDIMENTI E GRASSI	Più volte al giorno	1x giorno	5-6x settimana	2-4x settimana	1x settimana	1-3x mese	MAI
A - Burro	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
B - Margarina	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C - Lardo, ciccioli	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
D - Maionese	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
E - Olio di semi	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
F - Olio di oliva	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

FRUTTA	Più volte al giorno	1x giorno	5-6x settimana	2-4x settimana	1x settimana	1-3x mese	MAI
A - Mele, pere	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
B - Pesche, albicocche, prugne	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C - Uva	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
D - Banane	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
E - Arance, mandarini	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
F - Fragole, mirtili, ciliegie (in stagione)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
G - Anguria, melone (in stagione)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
H - Kiwi	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I - Frutta secca zuccherina, tipo prugne, albicocche, ecc.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
J - Frutta cotta o composta	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
K - Frutta secca oleosa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
L - Cachi	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

VERDURE	Più volte al giorno	1x giorno	5-6x settimana	2-4x settimana	1x settimana	1-3x mese	MAI
A - Fagioli	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
B - Fagiolini	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C - Piselli	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
D - Cavolfiori, broccoli	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
E - Carote, cavolo rapa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
F - Spinaci, biette	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
G - Mais	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
H - Patate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I - Pomodori, peperoni	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
J - Crauti, brovada (rape)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
K - Cavolo capuccio, verza	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
L - Zucchine, cetrioli, melanzane	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
M - Insalata, radicchio (tutti i tipi), Barbabietola rossa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

CALORIE TOTALI e NUTRIENTI (%)



PROTEINE

CARBOIDRATI

GRASSI

EFSA European Food Safety Authority (2010)

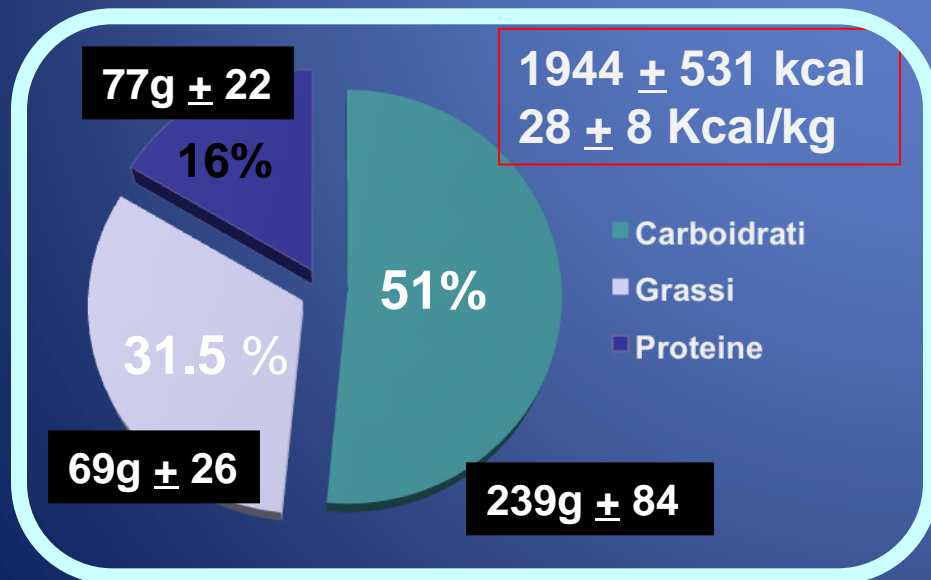
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CARBOIDRATI 45-65% (≥ 130 g/giorno)

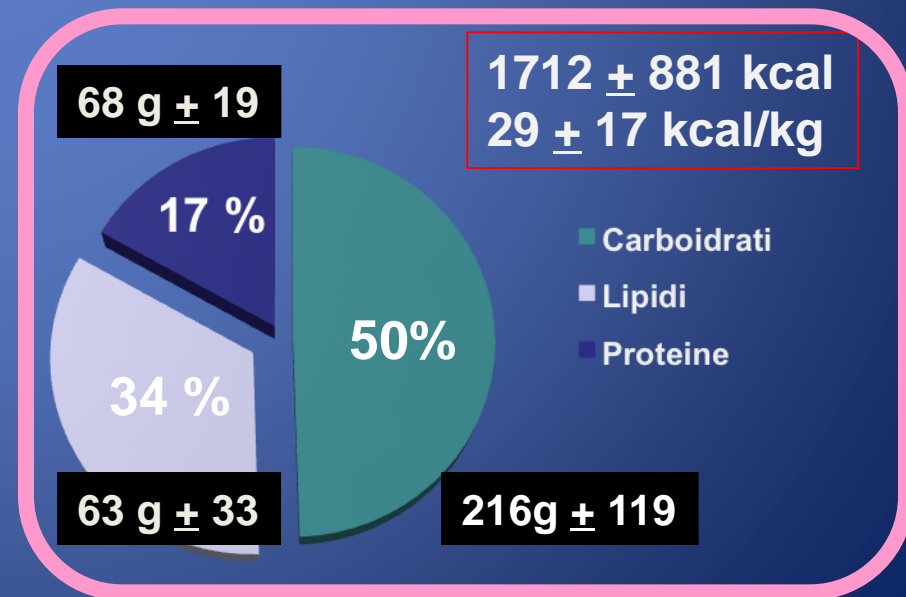
PROTEINE 10-35%

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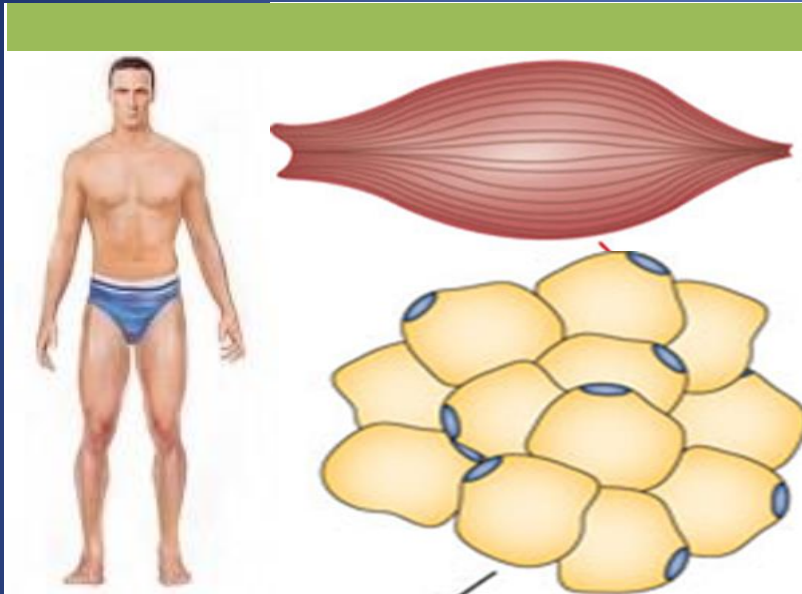
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PROTEINE (g/kg PESO IDEALE)



RACCOMANDAZIONI

EFSA 0.83 g/kg

LARN 0.9 g/kg

PROT-AGE 1-1.2 g/kg

Anziani attivi: 1.2 g /kg minimo

MEDIA g/kg

Uomini 1.13 ± 0.32

Donne 1.18 ± 0.34

Proteine g/kg	UOMINI (%)	DONNE (%)
< 0.8 g/kg _{PI} insufficiente	6	11
0.8 – 1.0 g/kg _{PI} EFSA - LARN	32	18
1.0 – 1.2 g/kg _{PI} PROT-AGE	28	33
>1.2 – g/kg _{PI} soggetti attivi	34	34
FONTI ANIMALI/VEGETALI (%)	60 / 40	60 / 40

FREQUENZA DI CONSUMO DI ALIMENTI PROTEICI



	<u>2-4 sett.</u>	<u>MAI</u>
M:	31 %	14 %
F:	24 %	10 %



M:	38 %	6 %
F:	24 %	7 %



M:	40 %	5 %
F:	45 %	5 %



M:	17 %	26 %
F:	9 %	29 %



	<u>2-4 sett.</u>	<u>MAI</u>
M:	45 %	0 %
F:	49 %	0 %





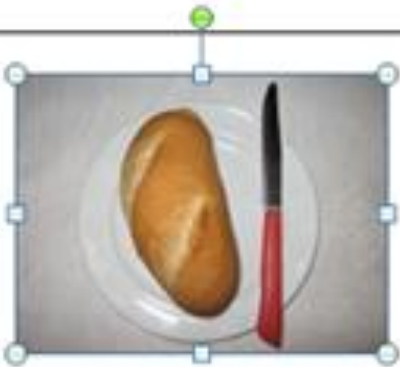






M:	40 %	6 %
F:	44 %	3 %

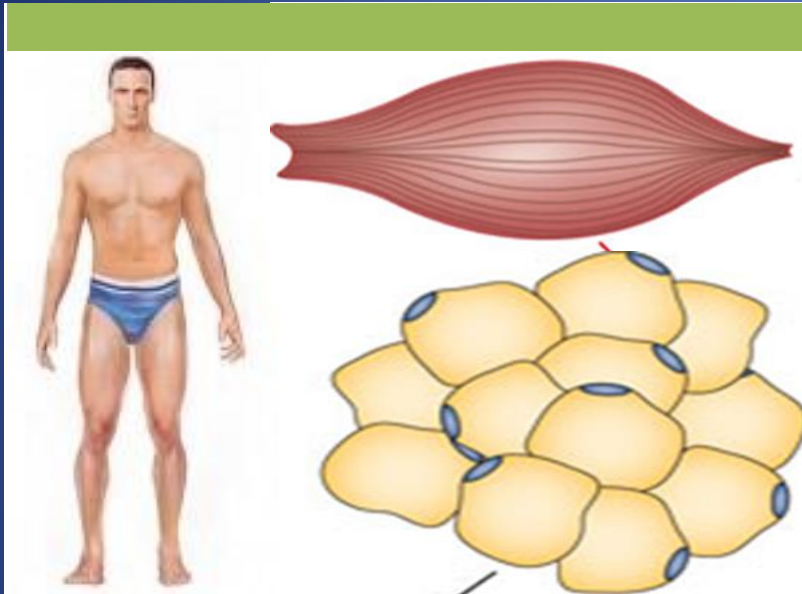


M:	22 %	11 %
F:	20 %	11 %

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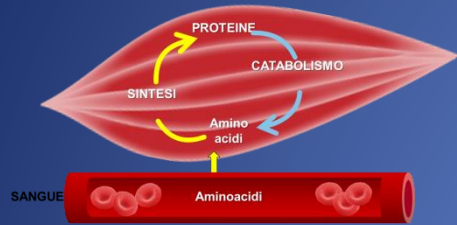
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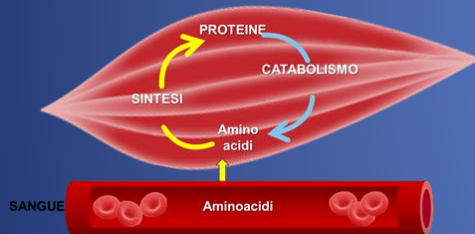
Proteine g/kg	Uomini %	Donne %
< 1	38	30
1-1.2	28	33
> 1.2	34	37

LE PROTEINE AI PASTI

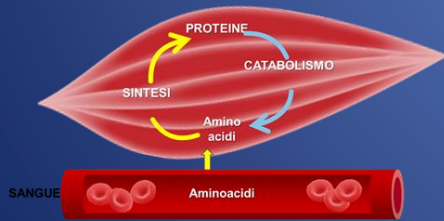
PROT-AGE: 25-30 g proteine ai tre principali pasti della giornata



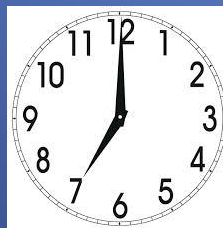
COLAZIONE



PRANZO



CENA



	Uomini	Donne
Media proteine nei 3 pasti (g)	25.6	22.0
soggetti < 25 g/pasto (%)	40	77

**>70 years do not assume the current RDA of proteins
(0.8 g/kg/day).**



The phenomenon depends upon several factors:

- **ODONTOSTOMATOLOGICAL PROBLEMS** → alteration of the masticatory function
→ influence in the choice of foods;
- **DELAYED GASTRIC EMPTYING**, associated with a reduced gallbladder contractility and higher serum levels of the hormone cholecystokinin (CCK) and neuropeptide Y (PYY) (facilitating a *long-lasting satiety*);
- **HIGHER BLOOD CONCENTRATION OF LEPTIN** in the elderly (showing that the anorexigenic signal prevails over the orexigenic one);

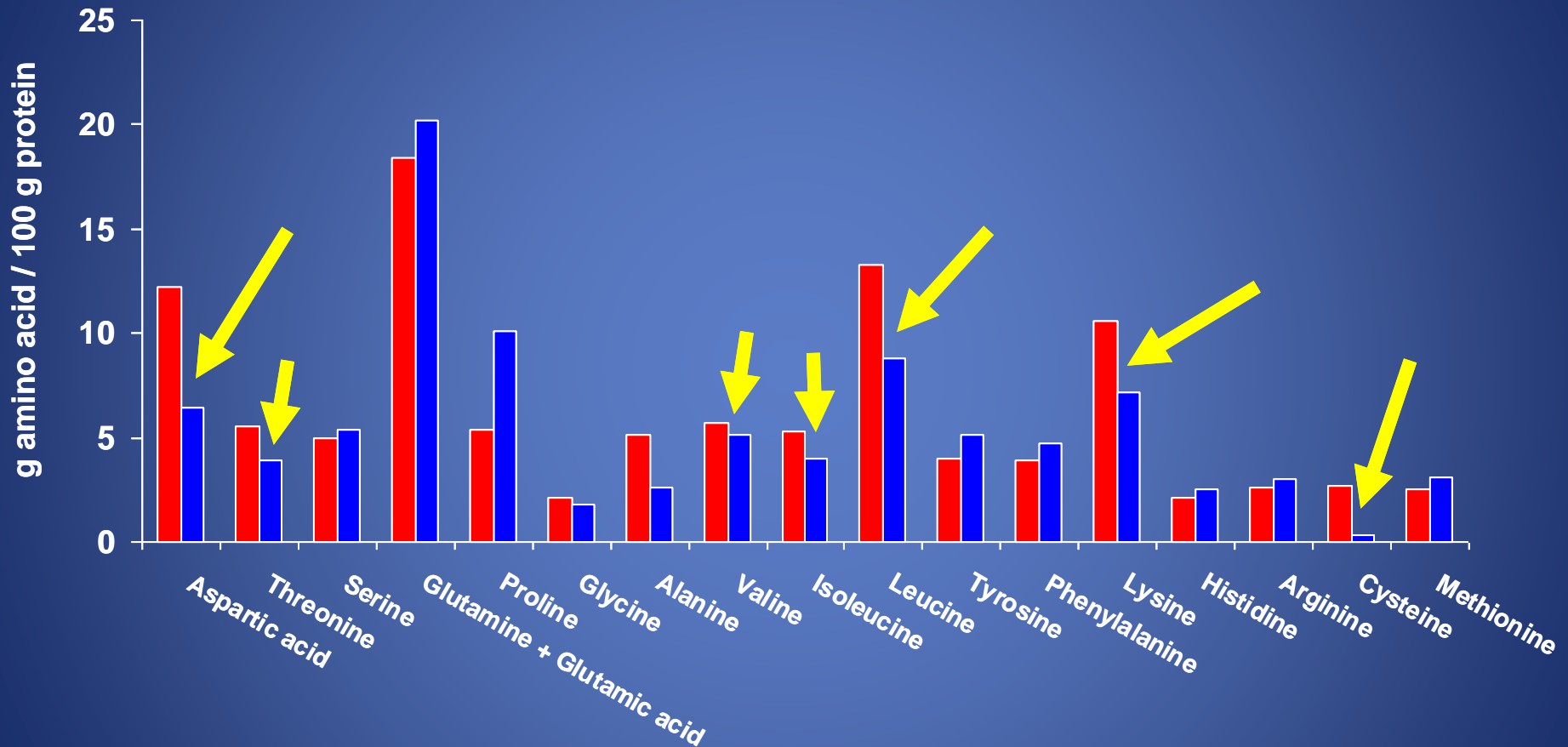
protein quality

- **amino acid composition**
- **absorption kinetics**

Concentration of major milk proteins

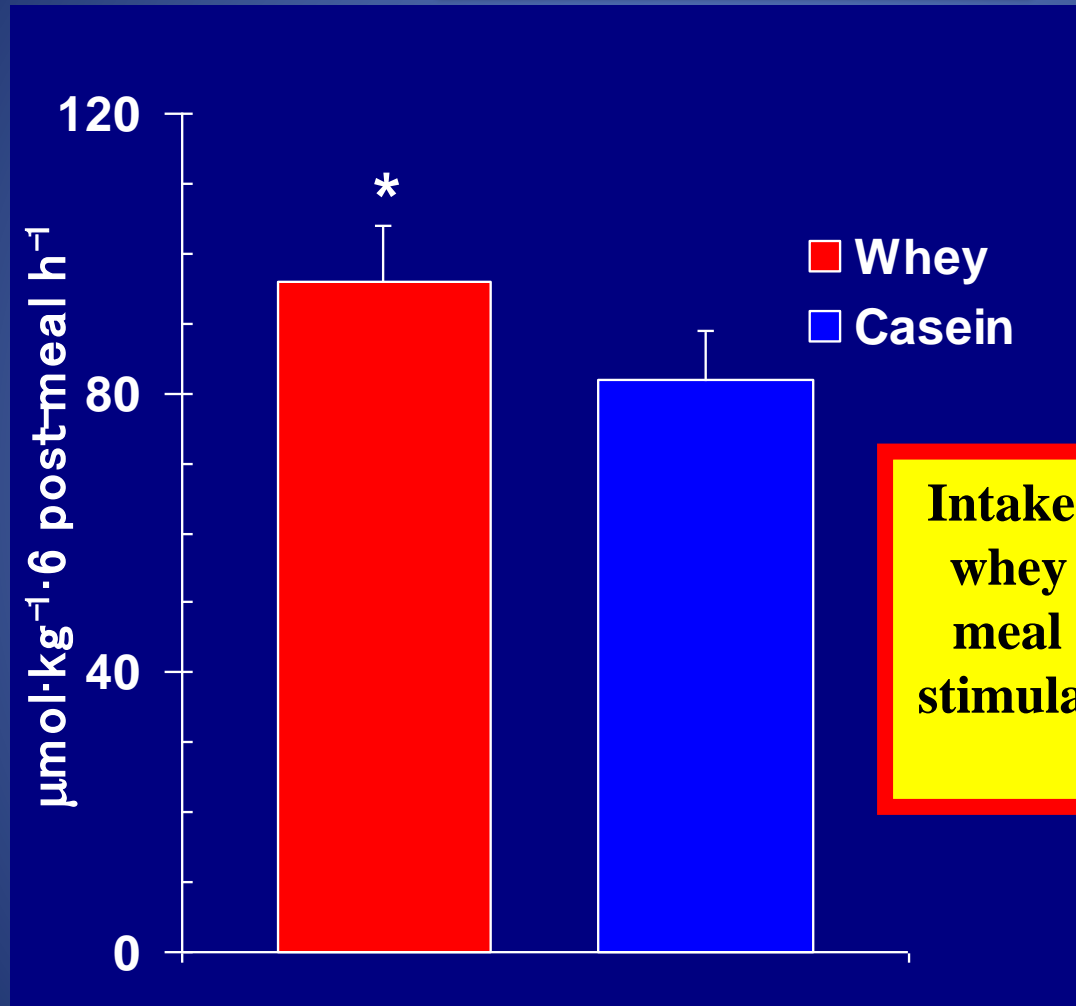
Protein	Concentration (g/l)	
	Cow	Human
<u>Total caseins</u>	<u>26.0</u>	<u>2.7</u>
α -Casein	13.0	
β -Casein	9.3	
κ -Casein	3.3	
<u>Total whey protein</u>	<u>6.3</u>	<u>67.3</u>
β -Lactoglobulin	3.2	
α -Lactalbumin	1.2	1.9
Immunoglobulins (A, M, and G)	0.7	1.3
Serum albumin	0.4	0.4
Lactoferrin	0.1	1.5
Lactoperoxidase	0.03	
Lysozyme	0.0004	0.1
Miscellaneous	0.8	1.1
Proteose-peptone	1.2	
Glycomacropeptide	1.2	

Amino acid composition of whey and casein



WHEY PROTEIN INGESTION ENHANCES POSTPRANDIAL ANABOLISM DURING SHORT-TERM BED REST IN YOUNG MEN

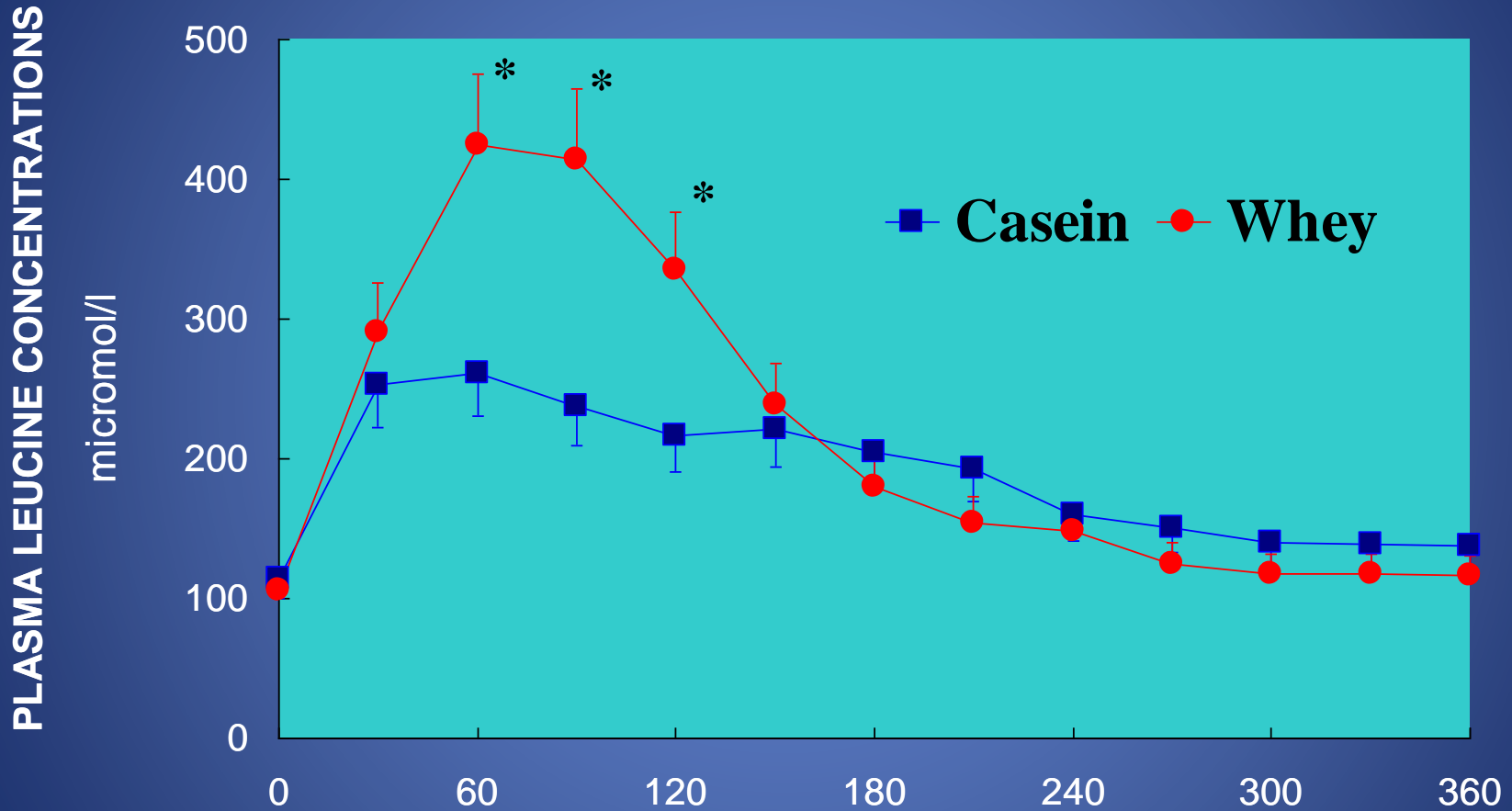
Antonione et al., J Nutr 2008



Intake of the rapidly absorbed whey protein within a mixed meal optimizes postprandial stimulation of protein synthesis during bed rest.

Effects of whey and casein meals on whole body phenylalanine utilization for protein synthesis during bed rest

CASEIN AND WHEY ABSORPTION KINETICS



Test Meal

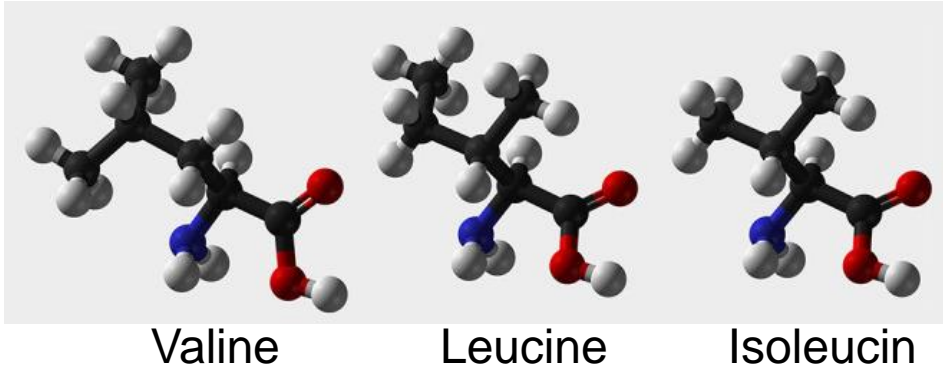
0.4 g/kg whey or casein
0.27 g/kg sucrose

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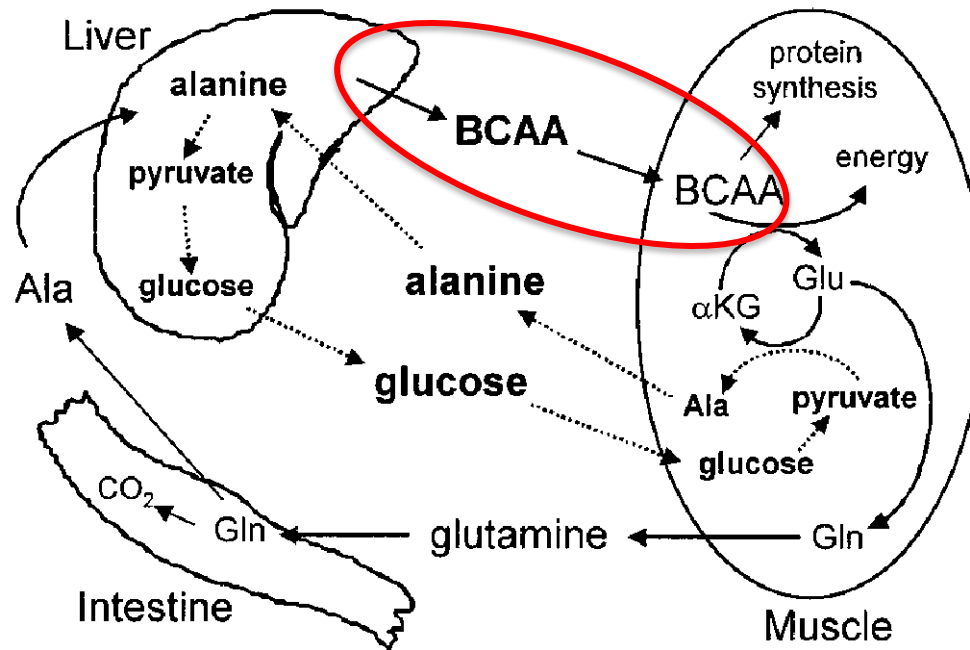
Amino Acids

BRANCHED CHAIN AMINO ACIDS (BCAA)

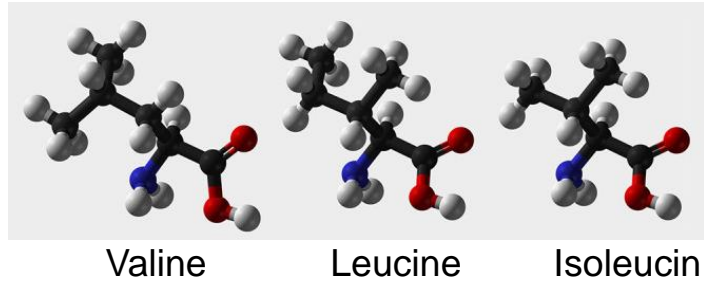
- Essential amino acids



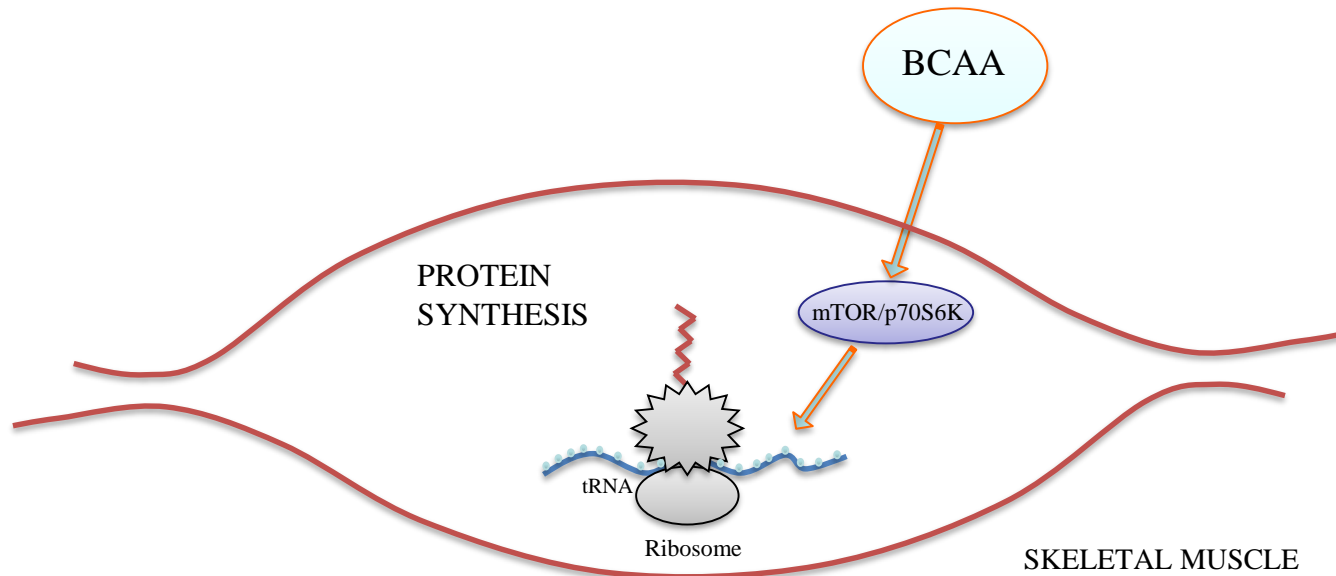
- BCAAs in humans elevates the phosphorylation and the activation of p70S6 kinase and 4E-BP1 in skeletal muscle



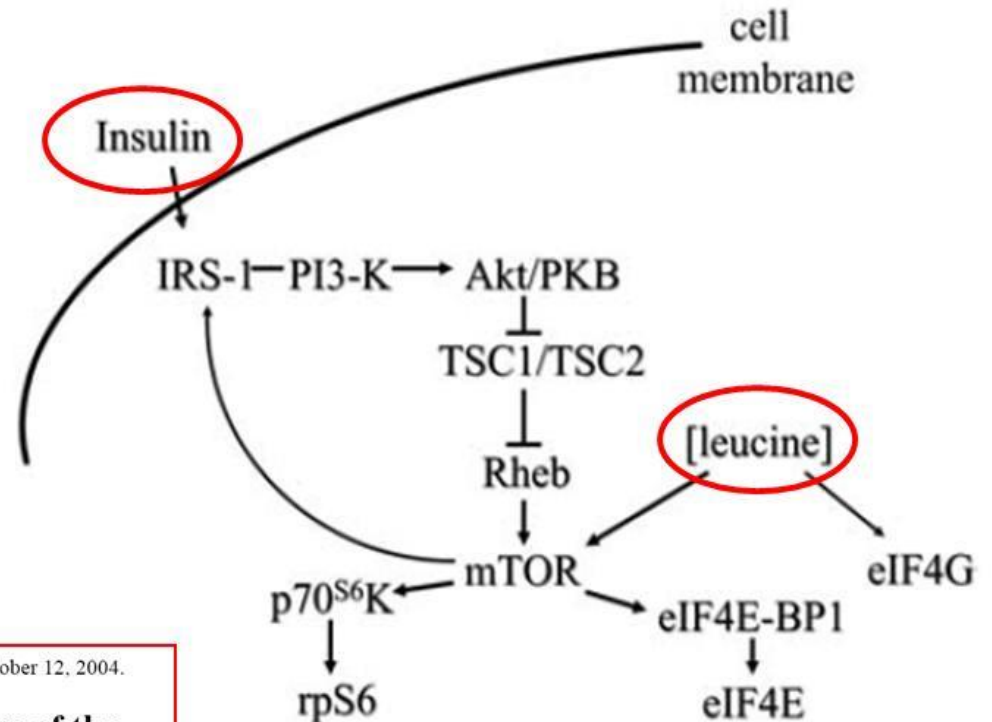
BRANCHED CHAIN AMINO ACIDS (BCAA)



- BCAAs in humans elevates the phosphorylation and the activation of p70S6 kinase and 4E-BP1, downstream components of the mTOR signaling pathway, which controls RNA translation and synthesis of proteins, and which is recognized as the central node to support muscle hypertrophy



Leucine enhances the insulin stimulatory effect on mTOR under conditions of hormonal resistance



The FASEB Journal express article 10.1096/fj.03-1409fje. Published online October 12, 2004.

Amino acids and leucine allow insulin activation of the PKB/mTOR pathway in normal adipocytes treated with wortmannin and in adipocytes from *db/db* mice

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Layman & Walker 2006

A high proportion of leucine is required for optimal stimulation of the rate of muscle protein synthesis by essential amino acids in the elderly

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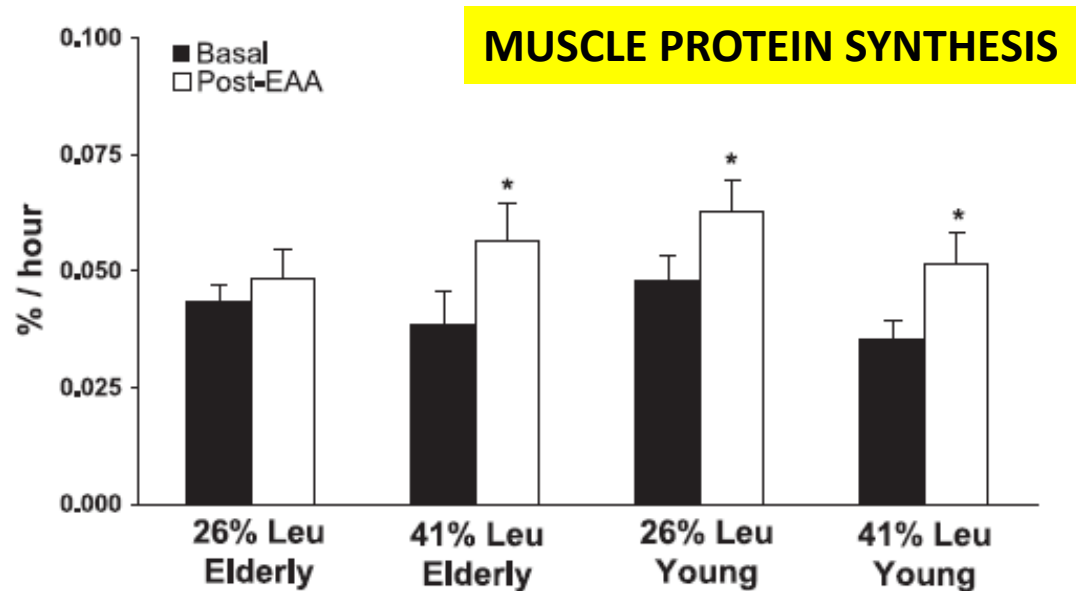


Fig. 5. Fractional synthetic rate (%/h) of mixed muscle protein in the basal state (Basal) and after the ingestion of 6.7 g of EAA (Post-EAA) containing either 1.7 (26% Leu) or 2.8 (41% Leu) g of leucine. *Significantly different from the corresponding basal value ($P < 0.05$).

Leucine co-ingestion improves post-prandial muscle protein accretion in elderly men

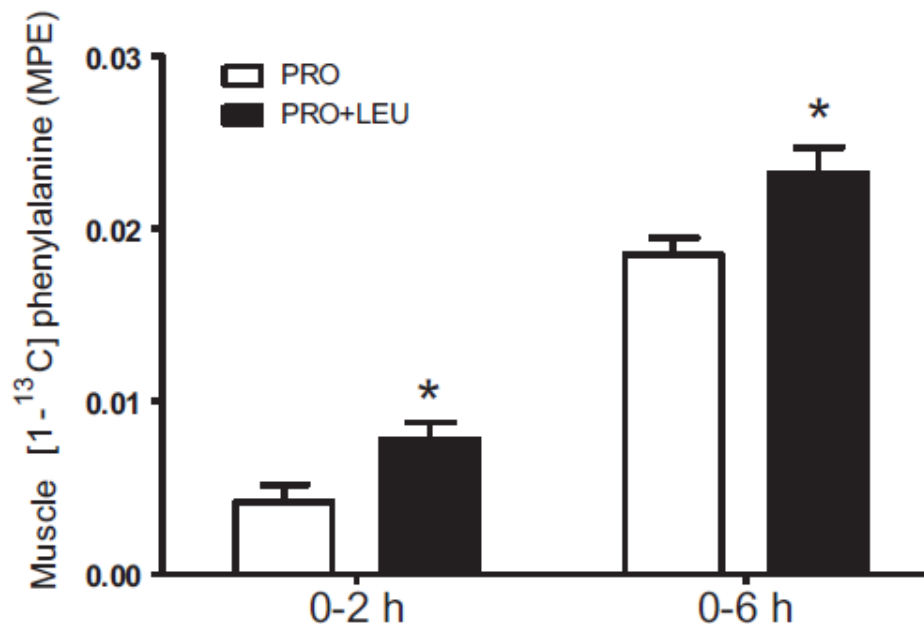
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Clinical Nutrition 32 (2013) 412–419

Methods: Twenty-four elderly men (74.3 ± 1.0 y) were randomly assigned to ingest 20 g intrinsically L -[$1\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$]phenylalanine-labeled casein protein with (PRO + LEU) or without (PRO) 2.5 g crystalline leucine.



Mean (\pm SEM) delta protein-bound L -[$1\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$]phenylalanine enrichments (MPE) during a 2 and 6 h incorporation period following the ingestion of 20 g intrinsically L -[$1\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$]phenylalanine-labeled casein with (PRO + LEU; $n = 12$) or without (PRO; $n = 12$) 2.5 g crystalline leucine in healthy, elderly men. Data were analyzed with an unpaired, two-tailed Student's t -test. * $P < 0.05$ compared with corresponding time point in the PRO group.

Long-term leucine supplementation does not increase muscle mass or strength in healthy elderly men¹⁻³

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Am J Clin Nutr 2009;89:1468–75.

Leucine or placebo (2.5 g) was administered with each main meal during a 3-mo intervention period.

Body composition¹

	Placebo (n = 14)		Leucine (n = 15)	
	Before	After	Before	After
Lean mass (kg)	55.8 ± 0.9	56.2 ± 1.1	54.6 ± 1.0	55.0 ± 1.5
Fat mass (kg)	19.8 ± 1.7	19.2 ± 2.0	20.0 ± 1.4	20.0 ± 1.3
Body fat (%)	24.5 ± 1.7	23.9 ± 1.9	25.3 ± 1.2	25.4 ± 1.2
Leg lean mass (kg)	17.6 ± 0.4	18.0 ± 0.4	17.1 ± 0.5	17.6 ± 0.4
Leg fat (%)	18.9 ± 1.5	19.4 ± 1.6	19.6 ± 1.2	19.8 ± 1.2
CSA (cm ²)	71 ± 3	71 ± 3	71 ± 2	71 ± 2
Leg volume (L)	7.5 ± 1.9	7.5 ± 1.7	8.1 ± 3.0	7.8 ± 4.1

Results: No changes in skeletal muscle mass or strength were observed over time in either the leucine- or placebo-supplemented group. No improvements in indexes of whole-body insulin sensitivity (oral glucose insulin sensitivity index and the homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance), blood glycated hemoglobin content, or the plasma lipid profile were observed.

¹ All values are means ± SEMs. CSA, cross-sectional area. Data were analyzed by using repeated-measures ANOVA. No significant differences were observed between groups or over time.

Glycemic control¹

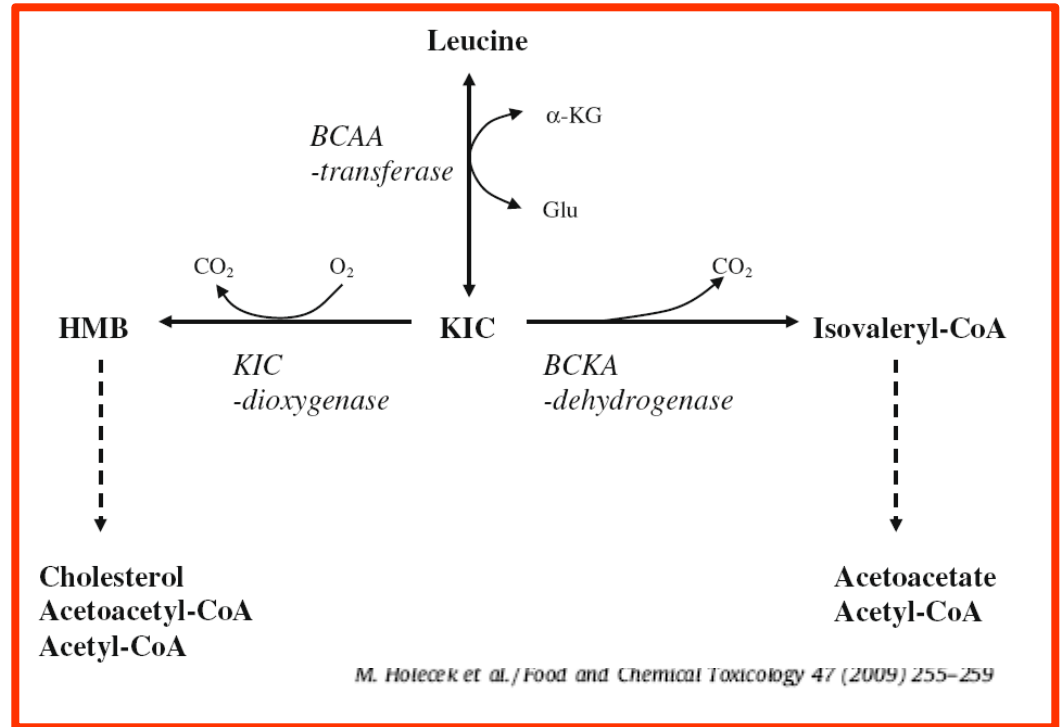
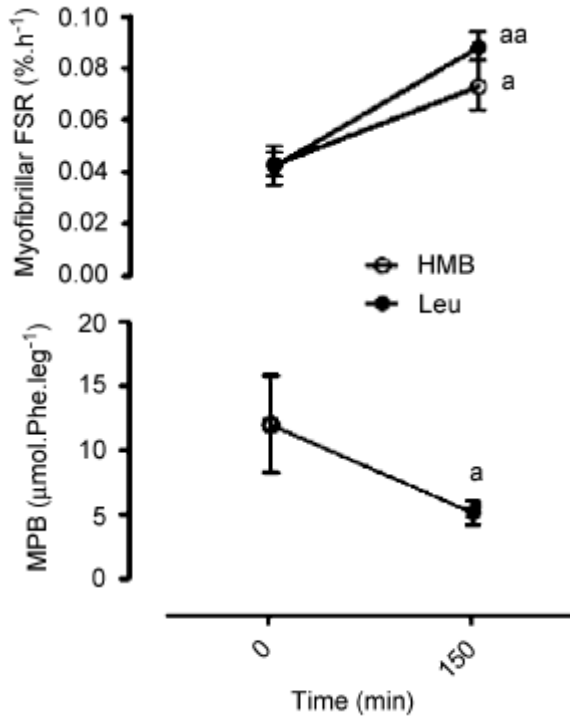
	Placebo (n = 14)					Leucine (n = 15)				
	0	2	4	8	12	0	2	4	8	12
Plasma glucose (mmol/L)	5.54 ± 0.11	5.63 ± 0.13	5.62 ± 0.12	5.75 ± 0.13	5.49 ± 0.10	5.69 ± 0.18	5.77 ± 0.18	5.86 ± 0.15	5.85 ± 0.17	5.66 ± 0.16
Plasma insulin (mU/L)	6.04 ± 0.76	6.08 ± 0.82	4.66 ± 0.54	6.37 ± 1.04	6.15 ± 1.25	6.73 ± 0.68	8.22 ± 0.91	9.03 ± 1.45	8.34 ± 1.44	7.37 ± 1.17
Hb A _{1c} (%)	5.8 ± 0.1	5.6 ± 0.1	5.6 ± 0.1	5.6 ± 0.1	5.8 ± 0.1	5.9 ± 0.1	5.8 ± 0.1	5.8 ± 0.1	5.8 ± 0.1	5.9 ± 0.1
HOMA-IR	1.51 ± 0.21	1.55 ± 0.23	1.19 ± 0.16	1.66 ± 0.29	1.54 ± 0.33	1.74 ± 0.21	2.12 ± 0.26	2.38 ± 0.4	2.19 ± 0.39	1.89 ± 0.32
Glucose _{120 min} OGTT	7.16 ± 0.67	—	—	—	5.44 ± 0.49	6.76 ± 0.5	—	—	—	6.76 ± 0.65
OGIS (mL · min ⁻¹ · m ⁻²)	876 ± 40	—	—	—	939 ± 40	924 ± 44	—	—	—	906 ± 42

¹ All values are means ± SEMs. HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; OGIS, oral glucose insulin sensitivity; OGTT, oral-glucose-tolerance test; Hb A_{1c}, glycated hemoglobin. Data were analyzed by using repeated-measures ANOVA. No significant differences were observed between groups or over time.

Effects of leucine and its metabolite

β -hydroxy- β -methylbutyrate on human skeletal muscle protein metabolism

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Consumption of small amounts (\sim 2–3 g) of either Leu or its metabolite HMB resulted in the acute increase of MPS to a degree comparable to that seen after a mixed meal, with HMB also suppressing MPB.

Effect of β -hydroxy- β -methylbutyrate (HMB) on lean body mass during 10 days of bed rest in older adults

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Design: A randomized, controlled, double-blinded, parallel-group design study was carried out in 24 healthy (SPPB ≥ 9) older adult subjects (20 women, 4 men), confined to complete bed rest for ten days, followed by resistance training rehabilitation for eight weeks. Subjects in the experimental group were treated with HMB (calcium salt, 1.5 g twice daily – total 3 g/day). Control subjects were treated with an inactive placebo powder. Treatments were provided starting 5 days prior to bed rest till the end rehabilitation phase. DXA was used to measure body composition.

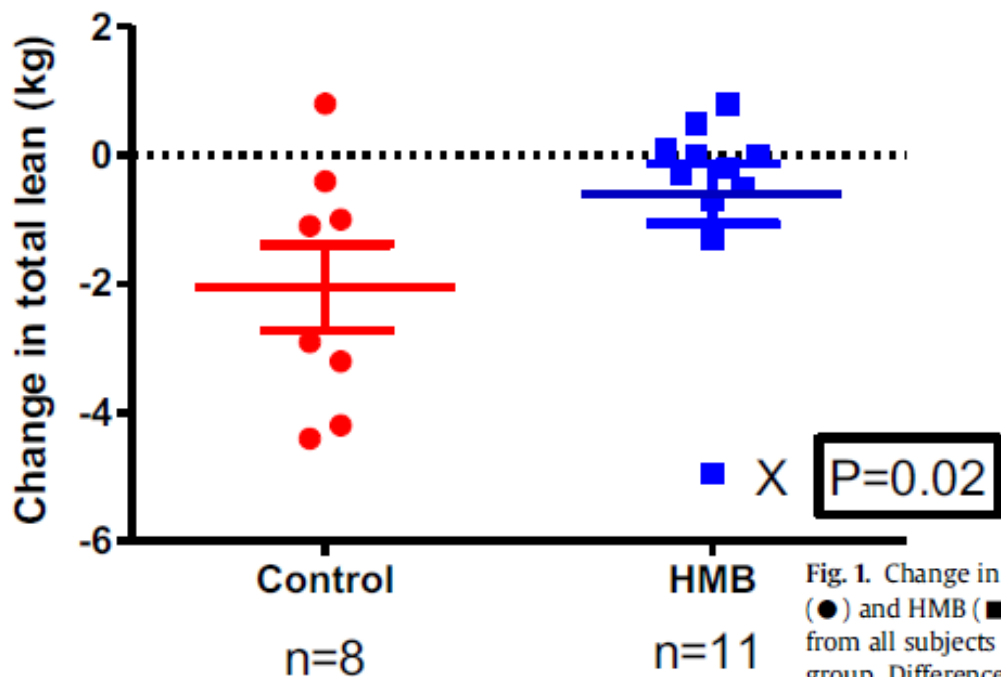


Fig. 1. Change in total lean mass in individual subjects over 10-day bed rest in Control (●) and HMB (■). Line with error bars represent mean \pm SEM for each group. Values from all subjects (Control $n = 8$; HMB $n = 11$). X indicates potential outlier from HMB group. Difference between treatment groups was non-significant ($p = 0.16$, ANOVA). When data are analyzed from all Control subjects ($n = 8$) and HMB subjects excluding potential outlier, thus a total of 10 subjects, the difference between treatment groups is significant ($p = 0.02$, ANOVA).

Author	Clinical setting	Subjects	Daily dose	Duration	Changes in body composition/function				Additional effects	Overall efficacy
					BM	FFM	FM	Strength		
Hsieh et al. (2010)	Old age-related wasting	79 bed-ridden elderly receiving tube feeding (43 M, 36 F)	2 g HMB (nasogastric feeding tube)	2 or 4 wk (39 subjects continued the study for another 14 days)	=(2 wk or 4 wk)	NA	NA	NA	Waist circumference: (+) (2, or 4 weeks) Red blood cells: -(2 week) Hemoglobin: -(2 weeks) BUN: -(2 weeks) UUN: -(2 or 4 weeks) Calf circumference: + (4 weeks) Plasma uric acid: -(4 weeks)	Y
Vukovich et al. (2001a, b)	Old age-related wasting	31 old adults (15 M, 16 F)	3 g HMB	8 wk (during training)	=	(+)	-	(+)	Plasma HMB: +	Y
Baier et al. (2009)	Old age-related wasting	77 elderly subjects (38 M, 39 F)	2 g or 3 g HMB (if >68 kg)/5 or 7.5 g ARG (if >68 kg)/1.5 or 2.25 g LYS (if >68 kg)/0.1 g ascorbic acid	1 year	+	+	=	=	BCM: + TBW: + ICW: + ECW: = Functionality: = Protein synthesis: + Protein breakdown: + Protein turnover: + Dietary intake: = Psychological well-being: = Quality of life: = Blood chemistry/hematology: =	Y
Flakoll et al. (2004)	Old age-related wasting	50 elderly subjects (50 F)	2 g HMB/5 g ARG/1.5 g LYS/0.5 g ascorbic acid	12 wk	=	(+)	=	+	"Get-up-and-go" functionality test: + Average limb circumferences: + Abdomen and hip circumferences: (-) UUN: - Proteolysis: = Net protein gain: = Protein synthesis: + Plasma arginine: (+) Dietary intake: = Plasma hormones/amino acids: =	Y
Fuller et al. (2011a, b)	Old age-related wasting	77 elderly subjects (38 M, 39 F)	2 g HMB/5 g ARG/1.5 g LYS (1.5 x dosage if weighing >68 kg)	1 year	NA	+	NA	+		Y
Williams et al. (2002)	Collagen deposition	35 healthy elderly subjects (8 M, 27 F)	3 g HMB/14 g ARG/14 g GLN	2 wk	NA	NA	NA	NA	Plasma arginine: + Plasma ornithine: + Collagen accumulation: + OHP content: + Total protein deposition: = α -AN: =	Y

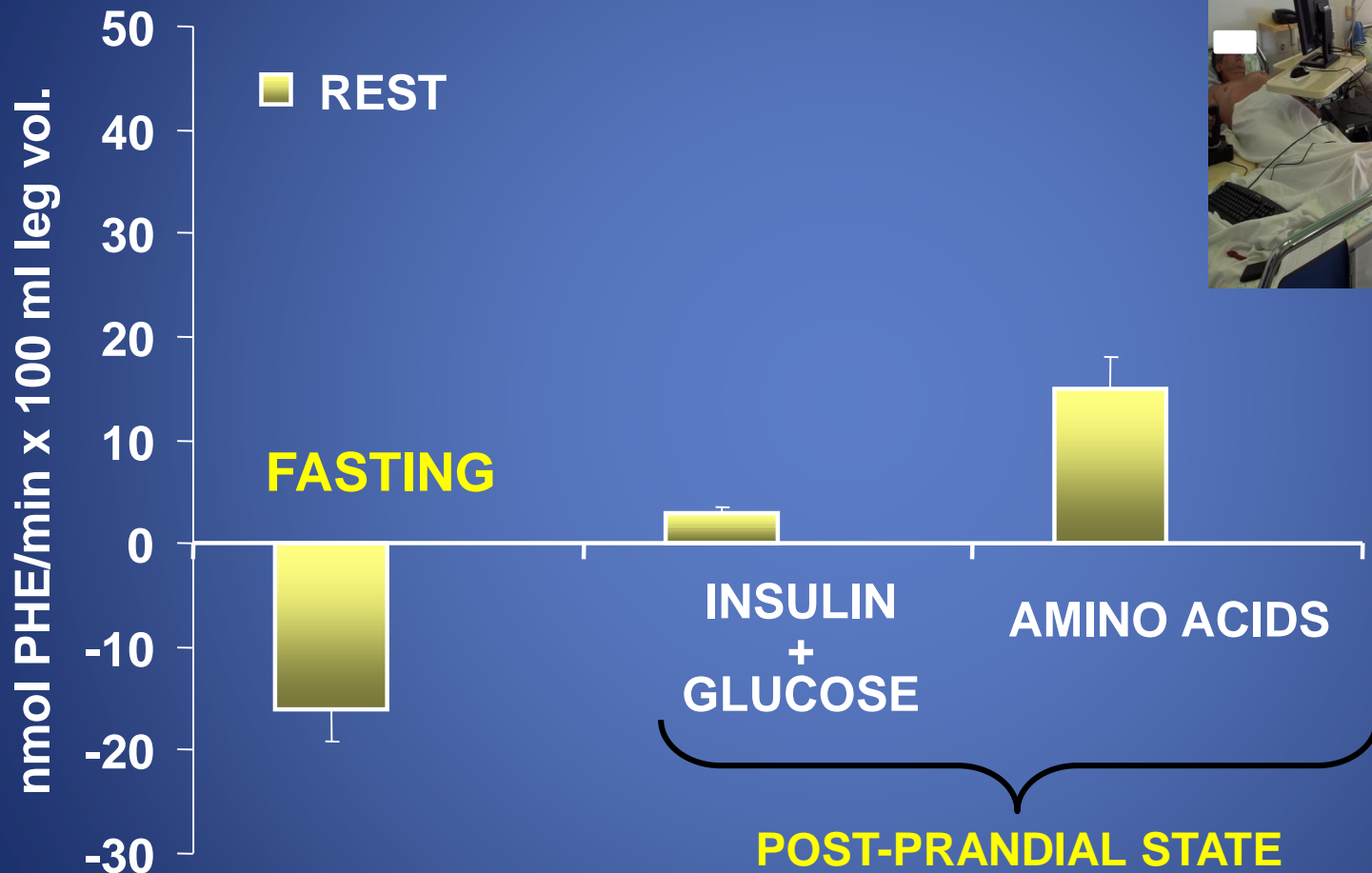
Beta-hydroxy-beta-methylbutyrate supplementation in health and disease: a systematic review of randomized trials

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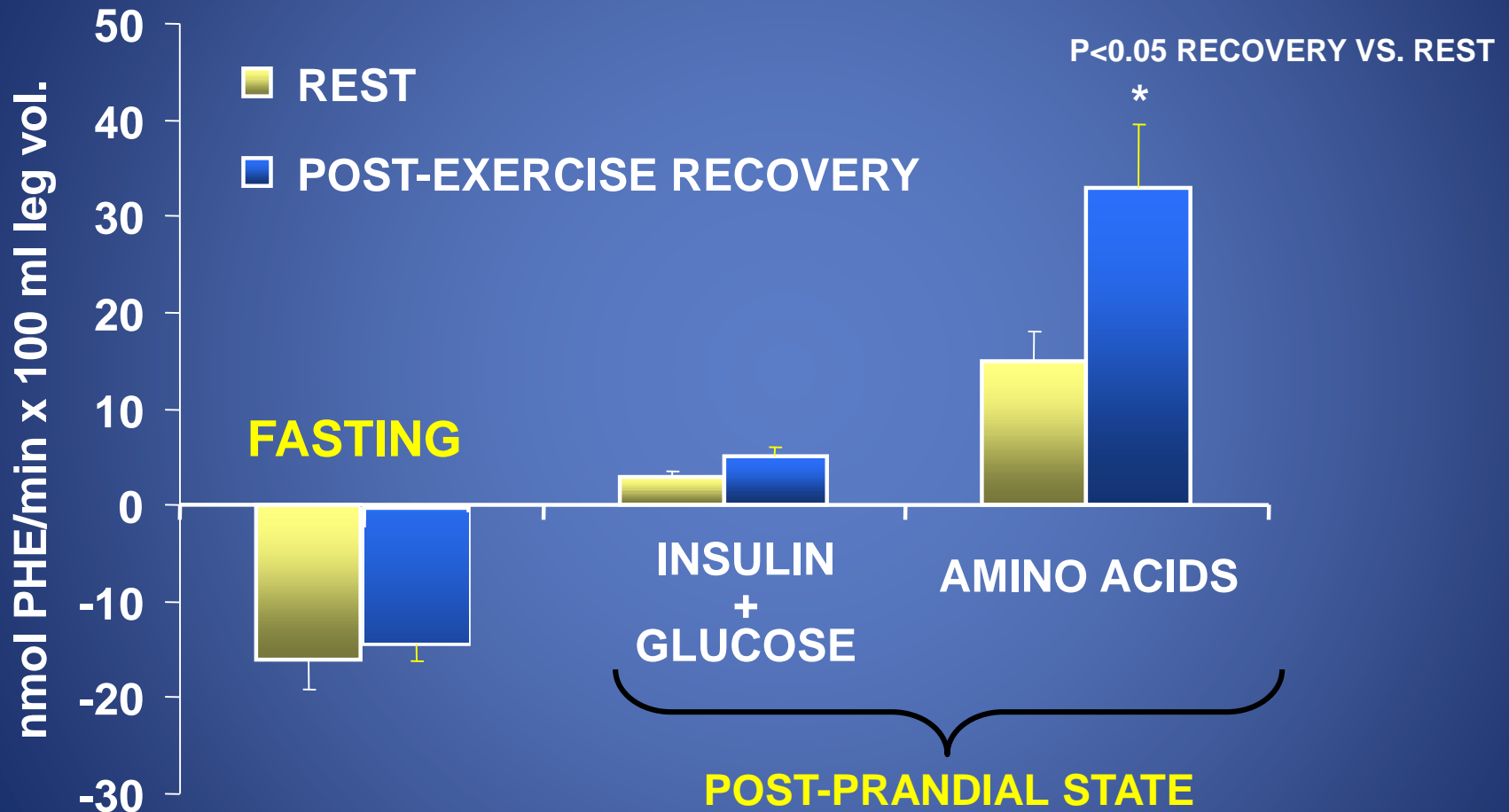
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Regulation of muscle protein balance in the fasting and postprandial states



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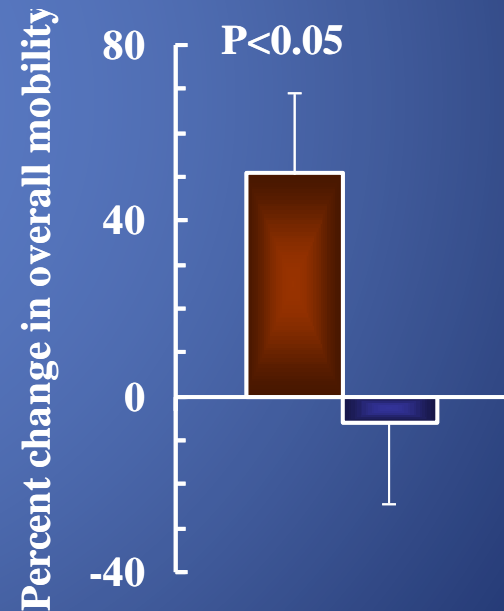
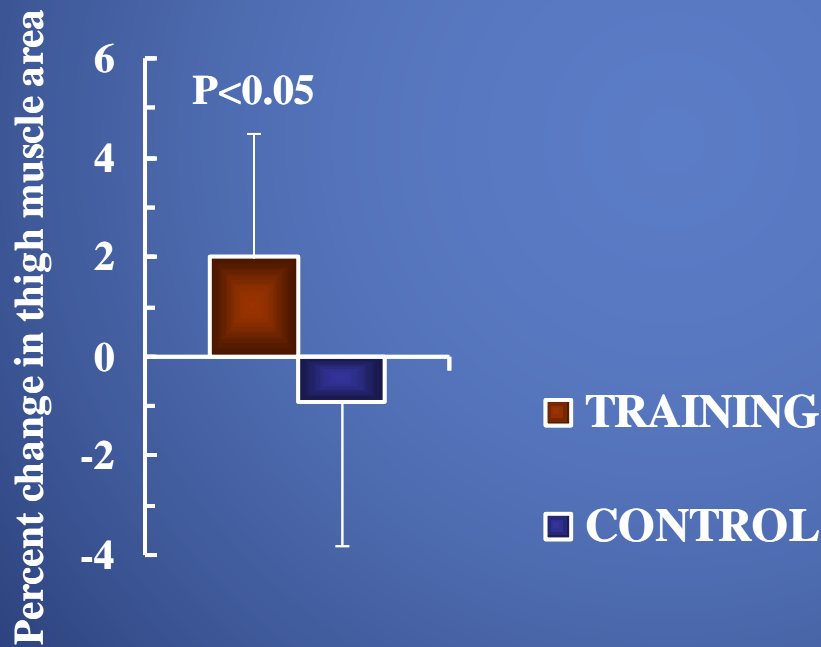
Regulation of muscle protein balance in the fasting and postprandial states at rest and after exercise



Exercise Training for Physical Frailty in Very Elderly People

Fiatarone et al., New Engl J Med 1994

Randomized, placebo-controlled trial. 100 frail nursing home residents. Progressive resistance exercise training over a 10-week period.



Age-related differences in the dose–response relationship of muscle protein synthesis to resistance exercise in young and old men

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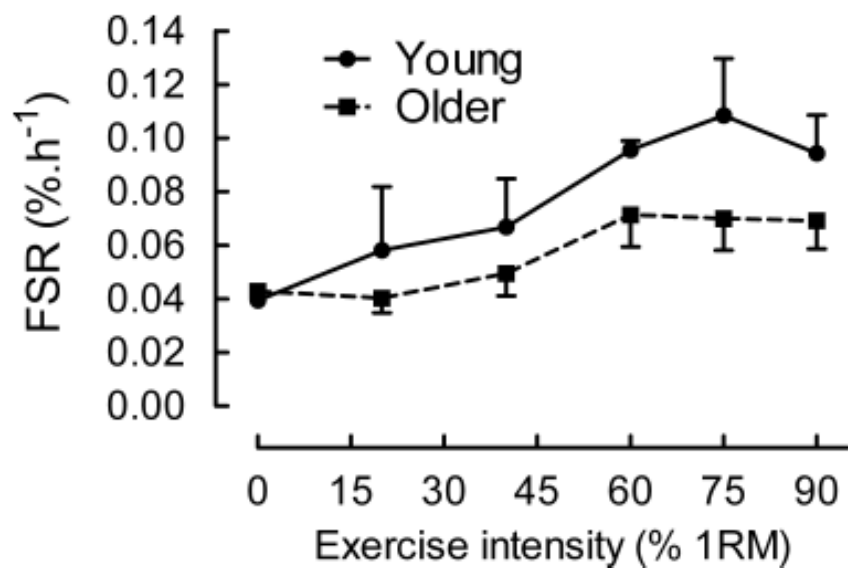


Figure 2. Dose–response relationship of myofibrillar protein synthesis (FSR, fractional synthetic rate, % h⁻¹) measured at 1–2 h post-exercise for 5 young men and 5 older men at each intensity

The responses of the young men overall were greater than those of the older men ($P < 0.04$). The responses between 60 and 90% of 1 RM in young and old were indistinguishable from each other but those in the young were together significantly higher than in the older men ($P < 0.01$) for 15 subjects in each group

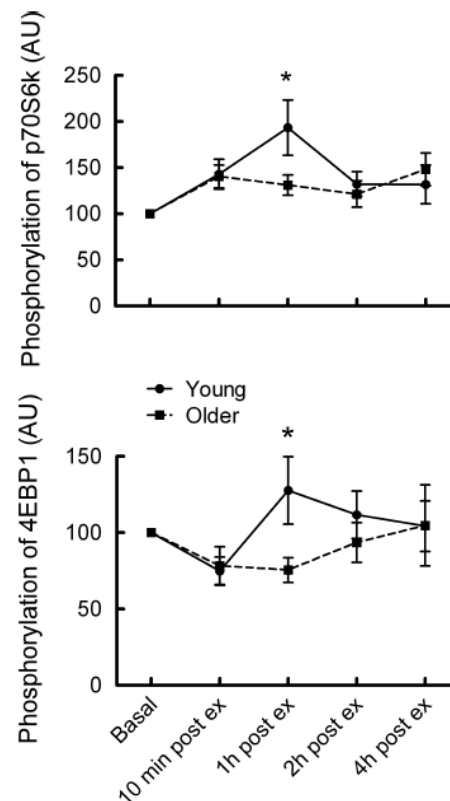


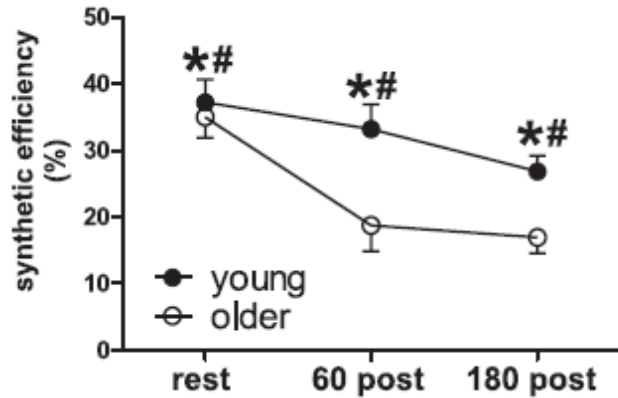
Figure 4. Time courses of the responses of phosphorylation of p70s6K and 4EBP1 (arbitrary units as percentage basal for each subject) averaged for intensities of 60–90% 1 RM $n = 15$ in each group. * $P < 0.05$.

Older men show anabolic resistance of signalling and myofibrillar protein synthesis to resistance exercise.

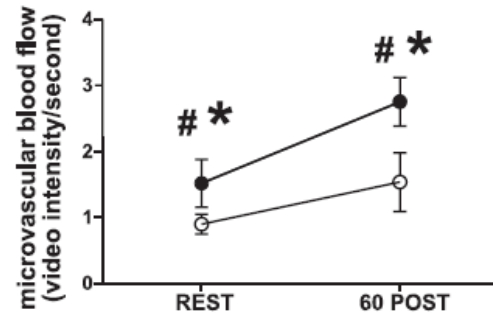
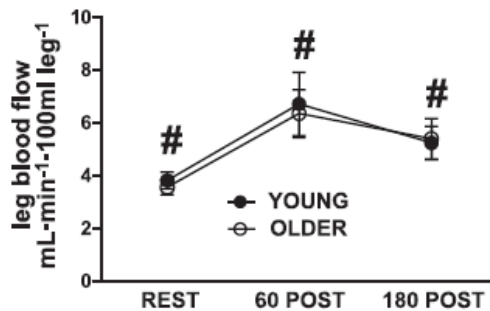
Age-related anabolic resistance after endurance-type exercise in healthy humans

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Aging induces anabolic resistance following endurance exercise, manifested as reduced (by 40%) efficiency of muscle protein synthesis.



A transient antioxidant stress response accompanies the onset of disuse atrophy in human skeletal muscle

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Effects of inactivity on human muscle glutathione synthesis by a double-tracer and single-biopsy approach

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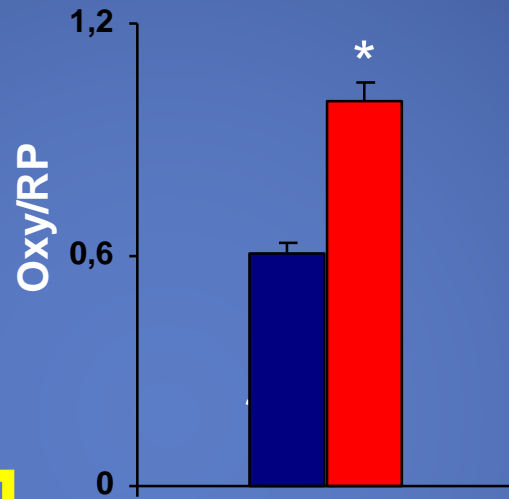
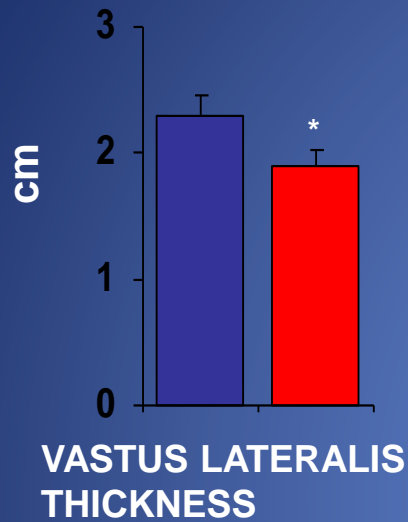
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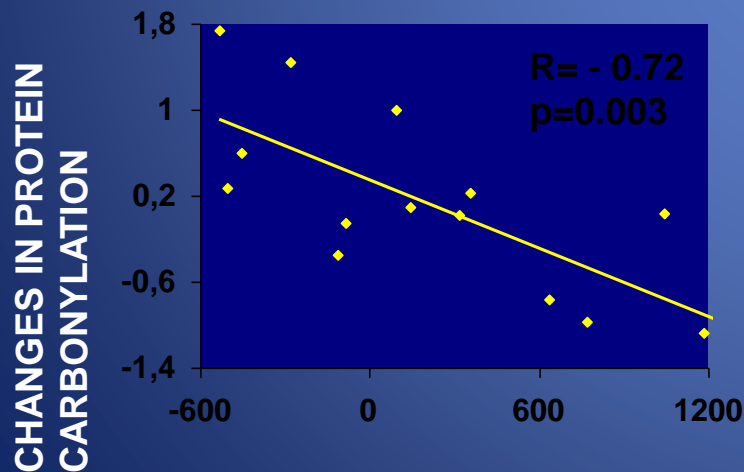
Effects of 5-wk bed rest on muscle oxidative stress and anti-oxidant capacity



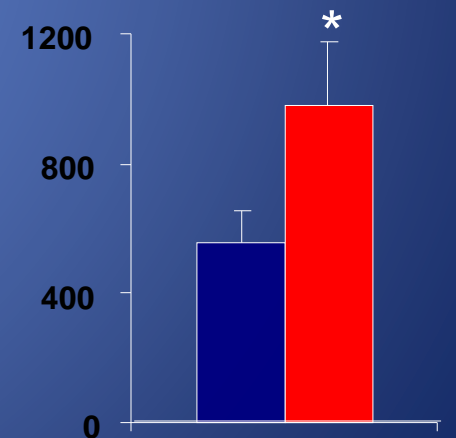
■ Ambulatory
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MUSCLE PROTEIN CARBONYLATION

CHANGES IN GLUTATHIONE SYNTHESIS



mmol · mg muscle⁻¹ · day⁻¹

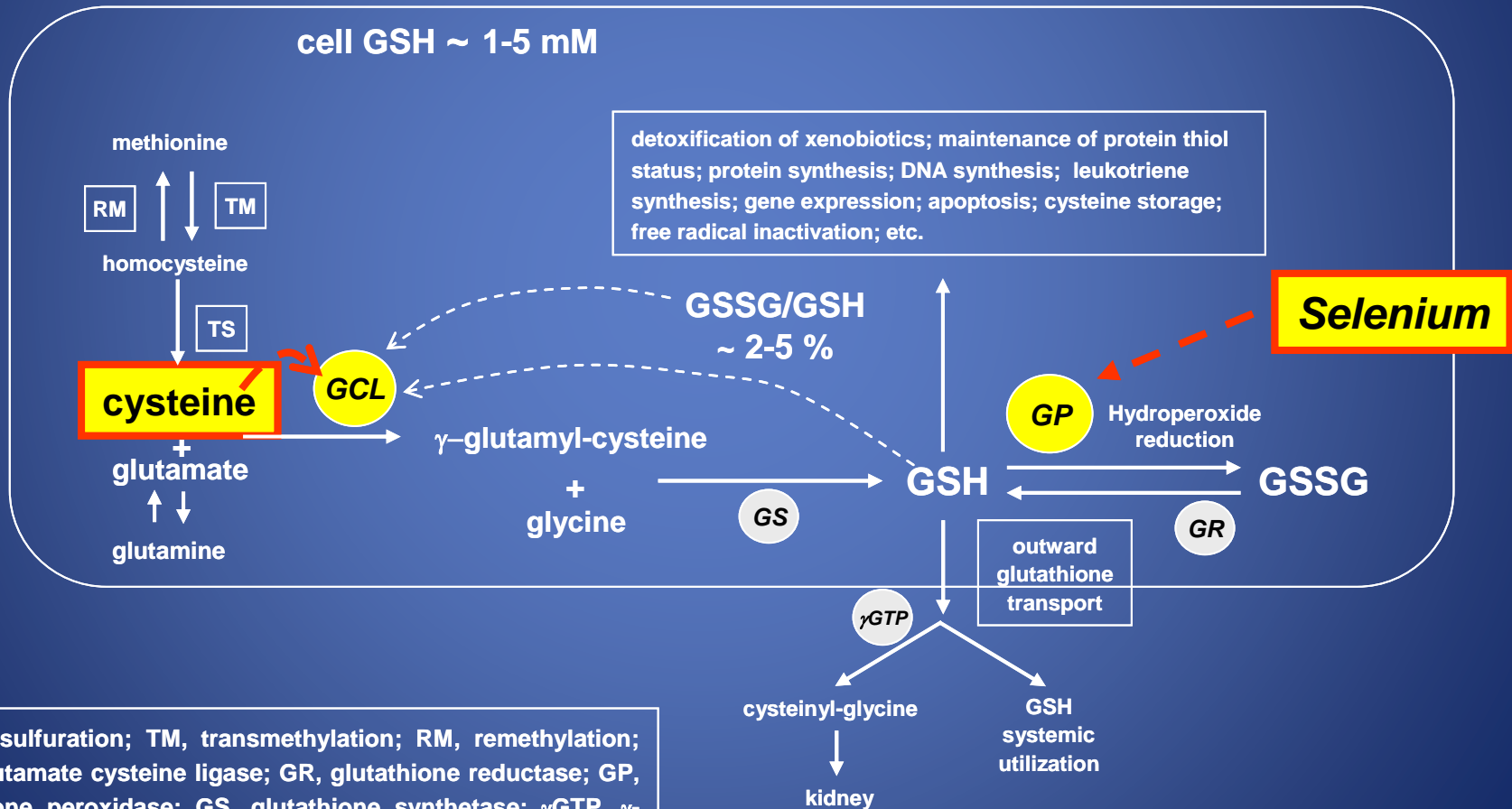


GLUTATHIONE SYNTHESIS RATE

RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN PATHWAYS OF GLUTATHIONE SYNTHESIS AND DISPOSAL

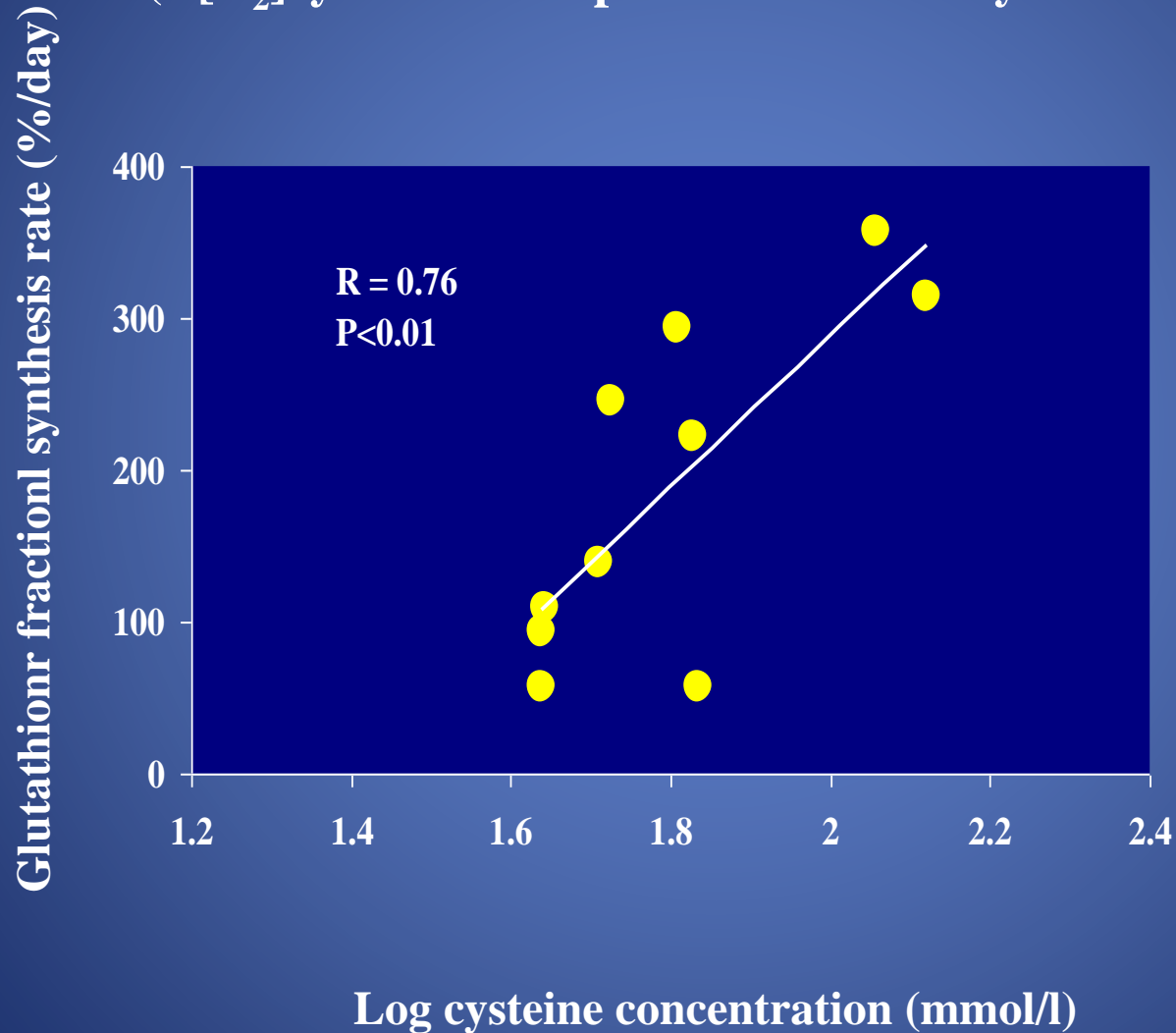
plasma GSH ~ 5-10 μ M

cell GSH ~ 1-5 mM



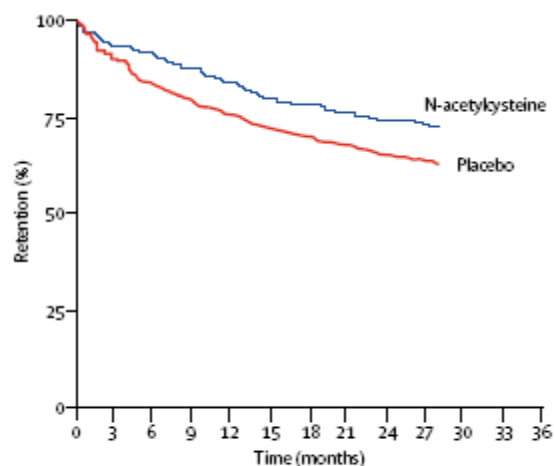
TS, transulfuration; TM, transmethylation; RM, remethylation; GCL, glutamate cysteine ligase; GR, glutathione reductase; GP, glutathione peroxidase; GS, glutathione synthetase; γ GTP, γ -glutamyl transpeptidase.

**Relationship between cysteine concentration and
glutathione synthesis in erythrocytes
(L[D₂]cysteine incorporation in healthy volunteers)**



Effects of N-acetylcysteine on outcomes in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (Bronchitis Randomized on NAC Cost-Utility Study, BRONCUS): a randomised placebo-controlled trial

Lancet 2005; 365: 1552-60



N-acetylcysteine	256	237	220	206	197	190	186
Hip fractures	267	233	210	197	185	175	168

Effect of carbocisteine on acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (PEACE Study): a randomised placebo-controlled study

Lancet 2008; 371: 2013-18

	Risk ratio	95% CI	p
COPD stage			
Stage IV/stage II	1.44	1.07-1.94	0.015
Stage III/stage II	1.24	1.01-1.53	0.037
Treatment			
Carbocisteine/placebo	0.74	0.61-0.89	0.002

Table 2: Risk ratio of exacerbation affected by GOLD-defined COPD severity and treatment with carbocisteine



Original article

Amino acid supplementation in L-dopa treated Parkinson's disease patients

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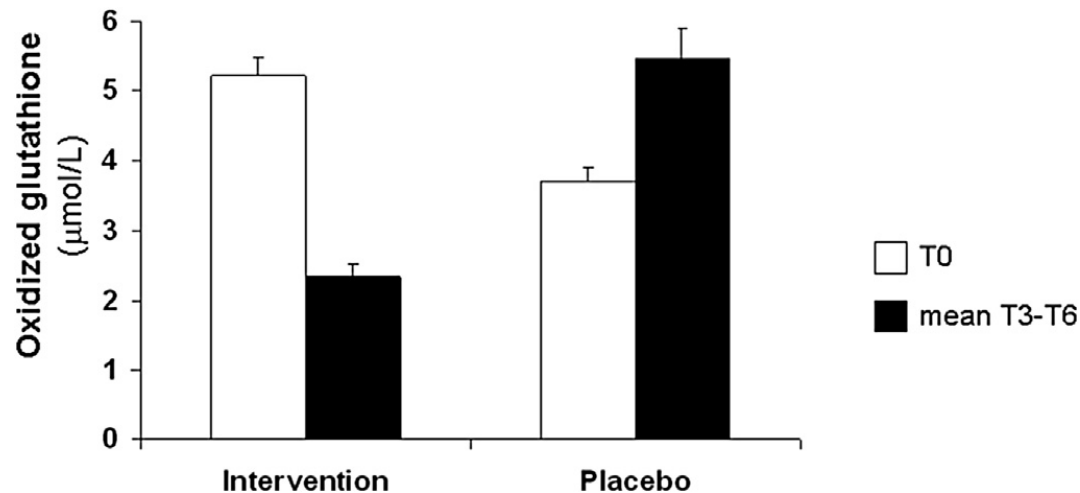


Fig. 2. Erythrocyte oxidized glutathione (GSSG) concentrations was reported at baseline (T0) and as mean of data collected after 3 and 6 months of treatment (mean T6-T3) with daily amino acid (Intervention group) or placebo (Placebo group) supplementation. There was a statistically significant time effect ($p = 0.05$) over the observation period as well as a statistically significant time \times treatment interaction ($p = 0.05$), as determining using the repeated measure ANCOVA.

VALUTAZIONI ANTROPOMETRICHE

- BILANCIA E STADIOMETRO:

✓ Peso

✓ Altezza



Indice di massa corporea (IMC) =
 $(\text{Peso, kg}) / (\text{Altezza, m})^2$

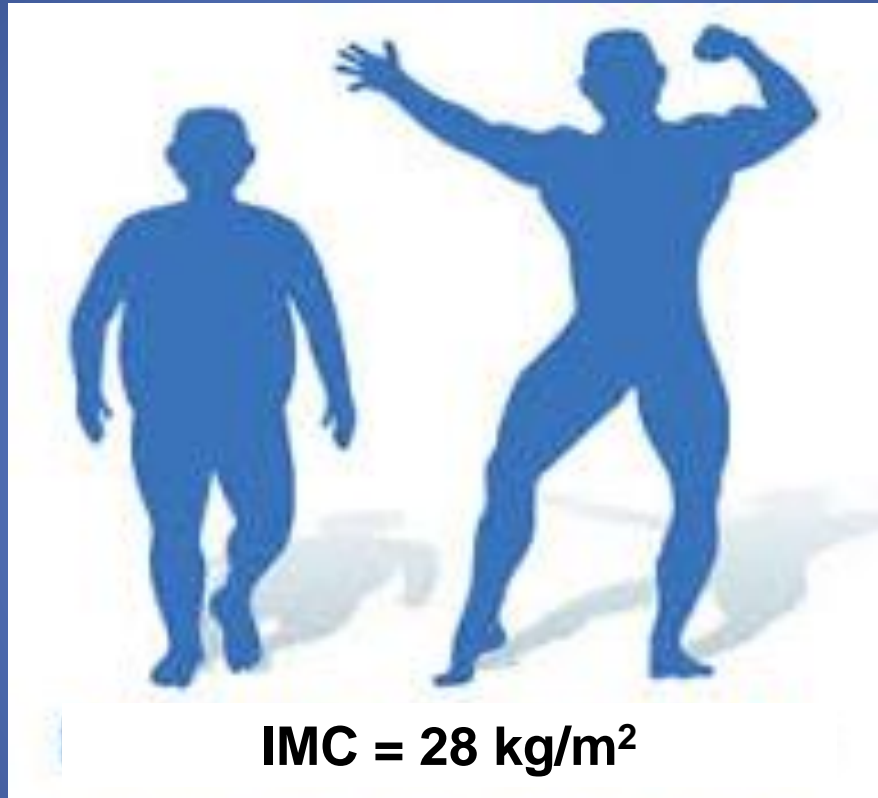
Per una corretta valutazione si deve considerare anche l'ETÀ!

VALORI DI RIFERIMENTO IMC
(popolazione anziana):

- <21 kg/m²: rischio malnutrizione
- 21-23 kg/m²: accettabile
- 23-25 kg/m²: ottimale
- 25-30 kg/m²: sovrappeso



INDICE DI MASSA CORPOREA



Stesso indice di massa corporea ma differente proporzione tra massa muscolare e tessuto adiposo

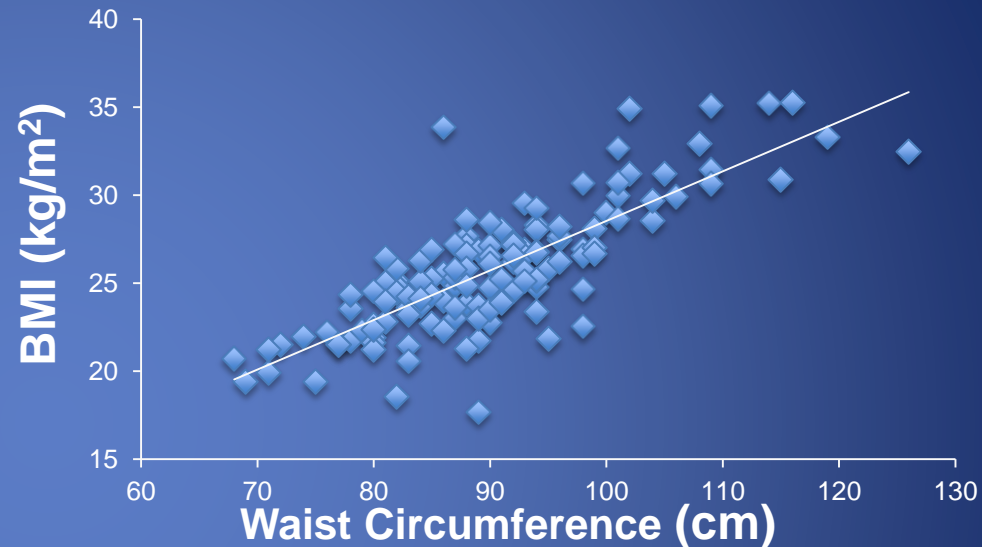
Measuring Technique for body composition

Body mass index (BMI):

- No distinction between Fat Mass and Fat-Free Mass
- No information about fat distribution
- Not very sensible in elderly subjects

Waist Circumference (WC):

- Highly correlation with BMI



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Measuring techniques	Measurements	Comments
Muscle size		
CT Scan	Muscle cross-sectional area	Radiation exposure, expensive
MRI Scan	Muscle cross-sectional area	Expensive, availability of MRI
BIA	Tissue conductivity	? reliability
Muscle circumferences	Mid arm and calf circumference	Measurements effected by subcutaneous fat
DXA scan	Total skeletal muscle mass	Reliable, low radiation exposure

Abbreviations: CT, computed tomography; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging; BIA, bioelectric impedance analysis; DXA, dual energy X-ray absorptiometry; SPPB, Short Physical Performance Battery.

ABSI, a body shape index

$$\text{ABSI} = \frac{\text{Waist Circumference}}{\text{BMI}^{2/3} \times \text{Height}^{1/2}}$$

- New marker of abdominal fat deposition
- Unrelated to BMI
- Correlated to age

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A New Body Shape Index Predicts Mortality Hazard Independently of Body Mass Index

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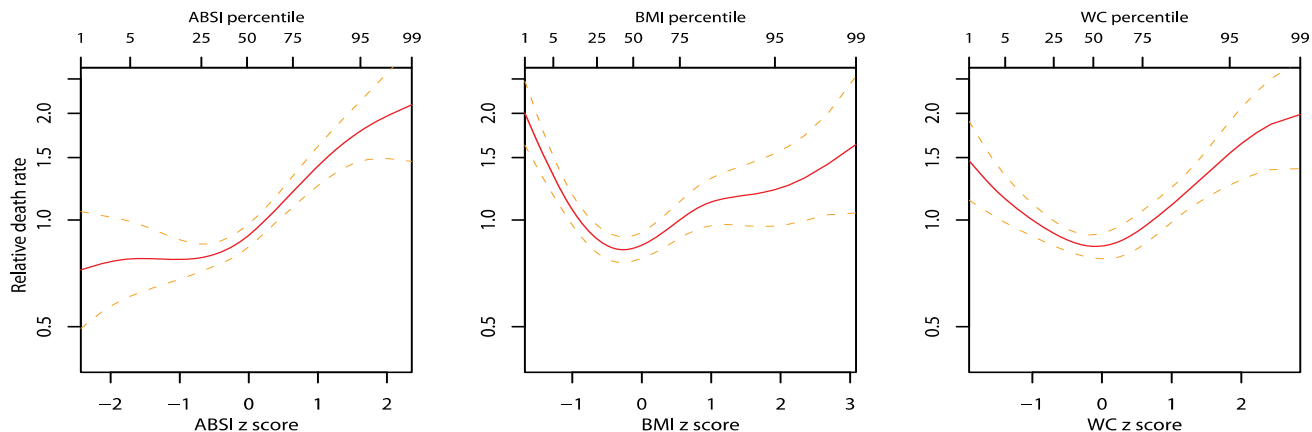


Figure 2. Mortality hazard by ABSI, BMI, and WC z score relative to age and sex specific normals. Estimates are from proportional hazard modeling where log mortality hazard is a smoothing-spline function in ABSI, BMI, or WC. Dashed curves show 95% confidence intervals. Corresponding population percentiles are given in the top axis; the range shown is the 1st through 99th percentiles. The vertical axis is logarithmic. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0039504.g002

Short communication

Inverse relationship between “a body shape index” (ABSI) and fat-free mass in women and men: Insights into mechanisms of sarcopenic obesity

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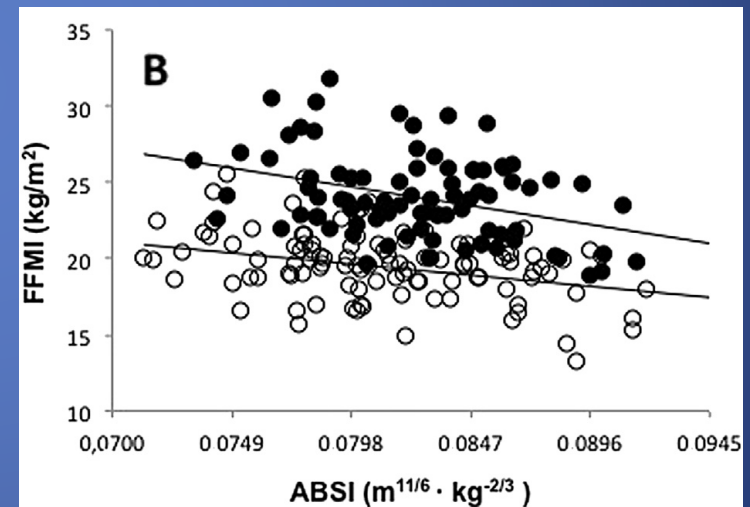
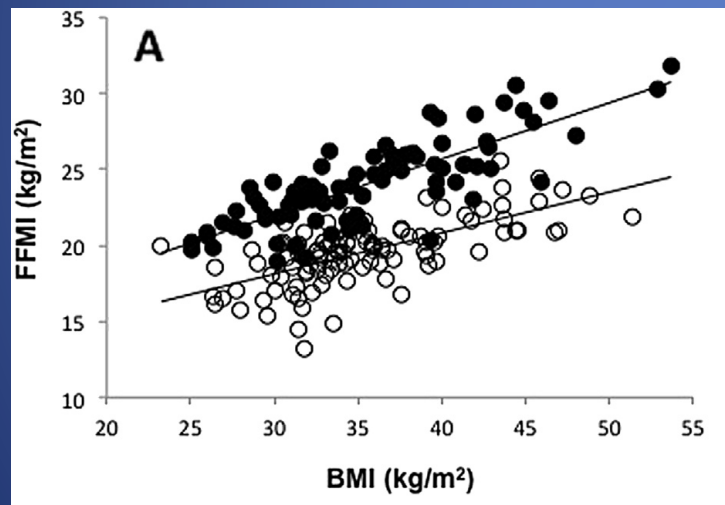


Fig. 1. Correlations of fat-free mass index (FFMI) with body mass index (BMI) (A) and with a body shape index (ABSI) (B), in women (○) and men (●). See [Table 2](#) for Pearson's rank correlations. See [Table 3](#) for results of multiple regression with FFMI as dependent variable and BMI and ABSI as independent variables.

PANGeA STUDY

Inclusion criteria

- Age ≥ 60
- Ability to walk at least 2 km continuously - without support



Maggiore Hospital, Trieste

159 enrolled volunteers

94 Female

- Age (y) 67 ± 5
- BMI (kg/m^2) $24,7 \pm 3,6$

65 Male

- Age (y) 68 ± 5
- BMI (kg/m^2) $25,7 \pm 3,4$

Field Survey Measurements

Questionnaire

Urine analysis

Blood analysis

Anthropometrics

Cardiovascular capabilities
(ECG, VO_2 Max, 2km Walking test)

Flexibility

Maximum force

Reaction time,

Maximum balance

Attention, memory, logical

Maximum force and balance

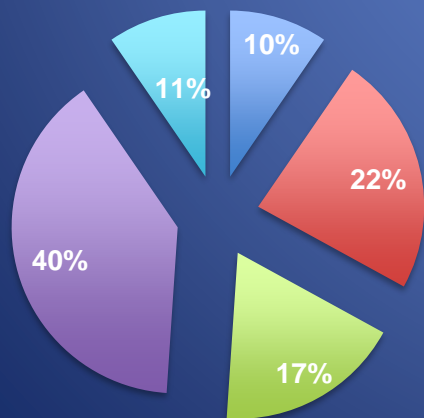
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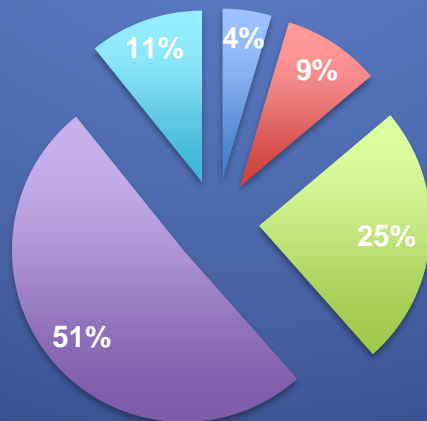
Subjects characteristics

Indexes	Women (94)	Men (65)	p value
Age (y)	67 ± 5	68 ± 5	0.5
BMI (kg/m ²)	24.7 ± 3.6	25.7 ± 3.4	0.08
Fat-Free Mass, FFM (kg)	62 ± 5.8	70 ± 5.3	< 0.01
Fat Mass, FM (kg)	37.2 ± 5.8	29.3 ± 5.3	< 0.01
FM/FFM ratio	0.61 ± 0.15	0.42 ± 0.11	< 0.01
Muscle Mass (kg)	23.4 ± 2.5	34.4 ± 4.3	< 0.01
Waist Circumference, WC (cm)	86.30 ± 9.3	94.9 ± 9.2	< 0.05
Hand grip Strength (kg)	2.6 ± 0.47	4.5 ± 0.86	< 0.01

Women



Men

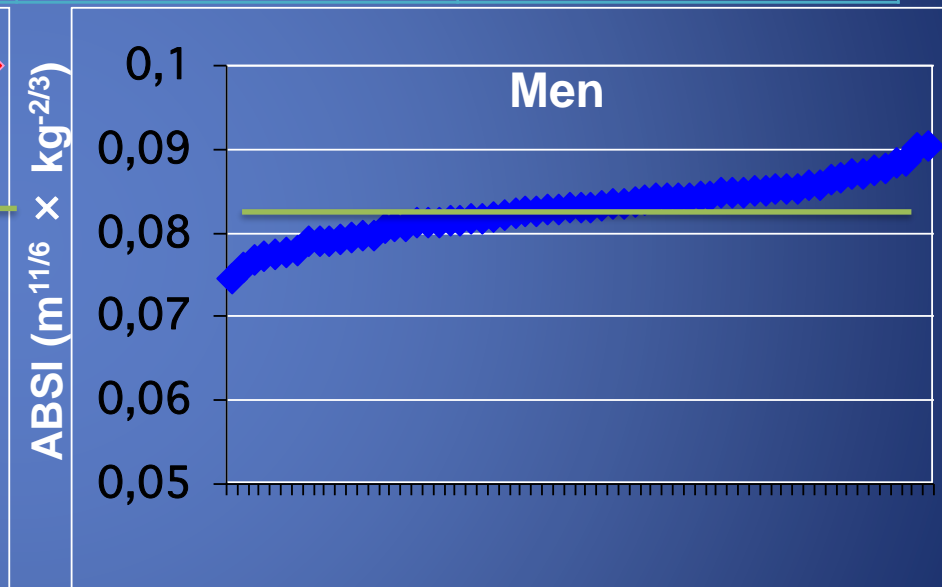
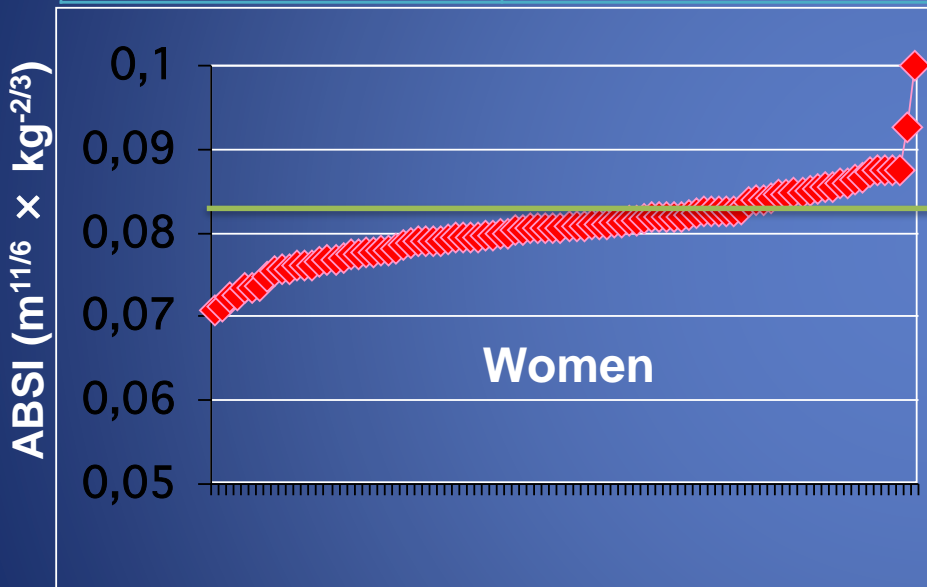


BMI, criteria for elderly

- Malnutrition IMC < 21
- Adequate IMC 21 – 23
- Optimal IMC 23 – 25
- Overweight IMC 25 – 30
- Obesity IMC ≥ 30

ABSI, “A Body Shape Index”

	Women (94)	Men (65)	p value
ABSI	0.081 ± 0,0005	0.082 ± 0,0003	< 0,05



Pearson's correlation	ABSI (W)	ABSI (M)
BMI	R= +0.021 P= 0.84	R= -0.072 P= 0.57
Age	R= +0.29 P> 0.01	R +0.45 P> 0.03