

Glycemic control, physical inactivity, and skeletal muscle health

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What I am going to talk about today

- 1 The loss of skeletal muscle mass and function with age and physical inactivity
- 2 New insights into the importance of physical activity on glycemic control in older adults
- 3 Can exercise be used as a tool to improve glycemic control and muscle function

Age-related skeletal muscle loss

Sarcopenia

The loss of muscle mass (myopenia) and strength (dynapenia) with advancing age will affect 250 million people worldwide by 2050

\$18.5 billion, which is 1.5% of total U.S health care expenditure in 2000

Jensen et al. (2004) J. Am. Geriatr. Soc. 52: 80-5

Diabetes

‘A disease in which the body either cannot produce insulin or cannot properly use the insulin it produces. This leads to high levels of glucose in the blood, which can damage organs, blood vessels and nerves’



Types of diabetes

Type 2- Inability to regulate blood glucose levels due to ~~deficient~~ **deficient insulin sensitivity** from normally insulin sensitive tissues



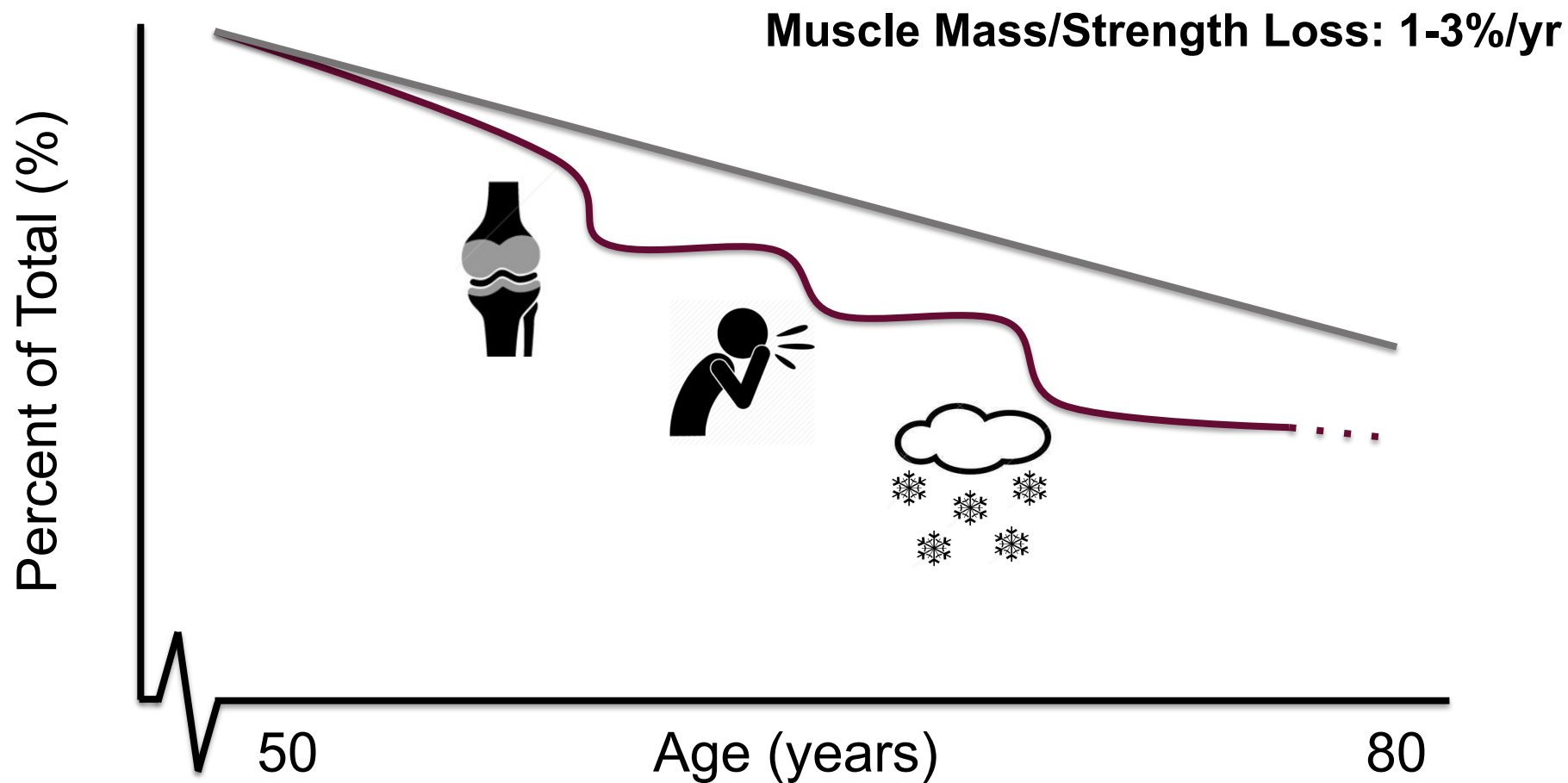
Prevalence of diabetes

Key statistics	2015	2025
Diabetes prevalence (n/%)	3.4 million/9.3%	5 million/12.1%
Prediabetes prevalence (n/%; age 20+)	5.7 million/22.1%	6.4 million/23.2%
Estimated increase (%)	44% from 2015-2025	

At least 10 million more people will have diabetes or prediabetes by 2025

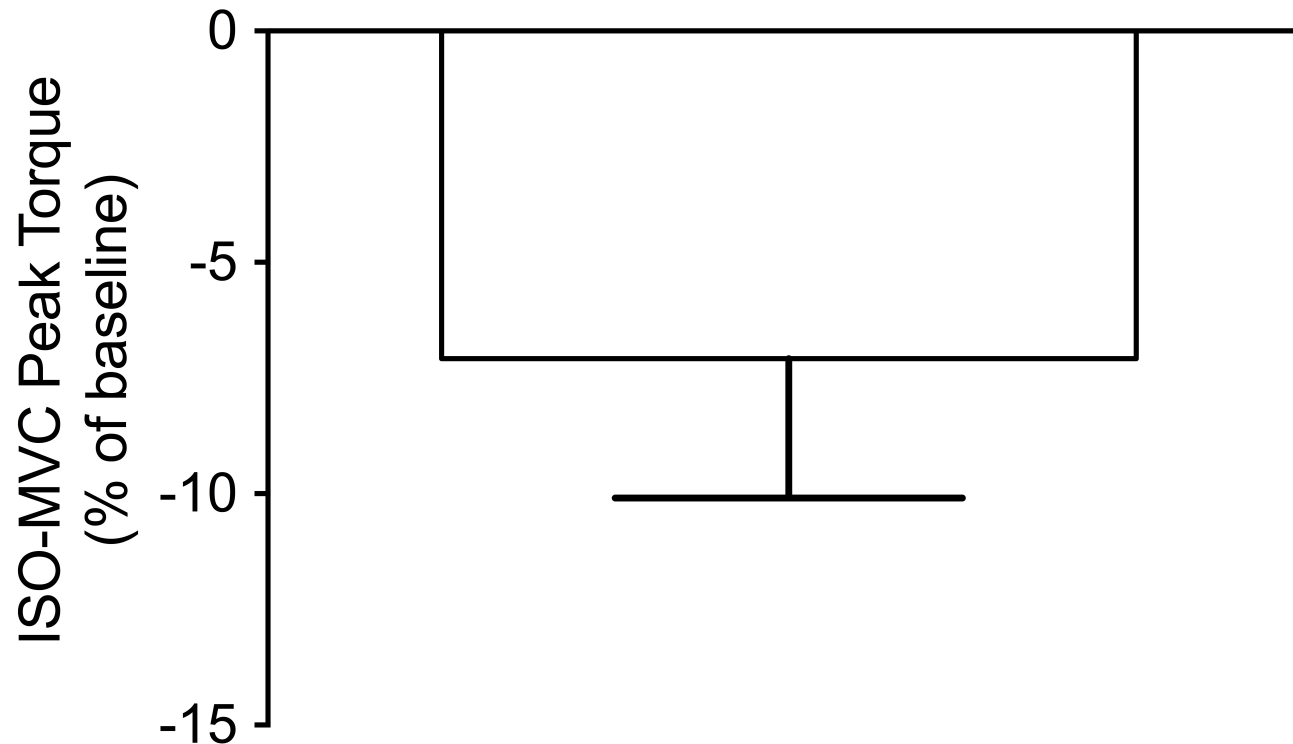
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Physical inactivity accelerates sarcopenia



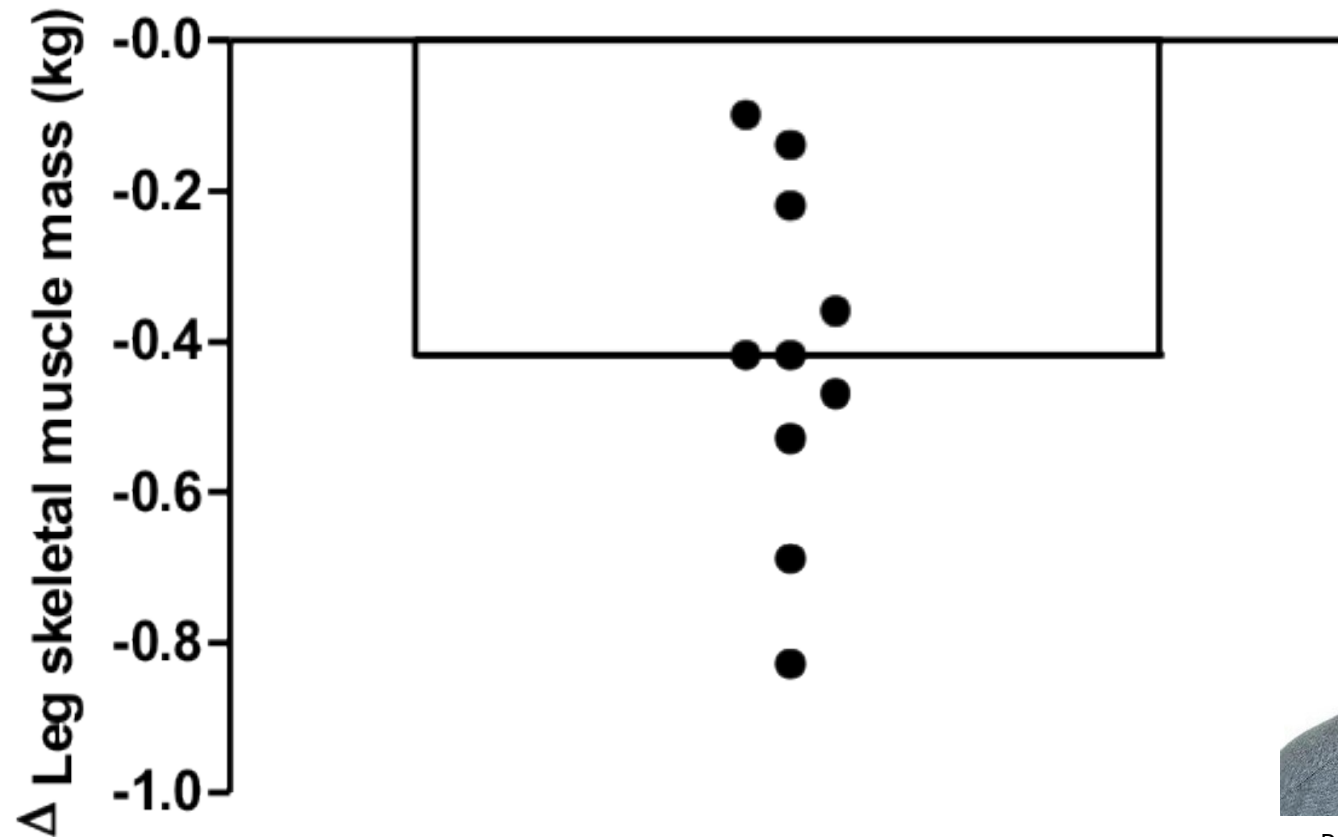
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Only two weeks of step reduction promotes muscle strength loss



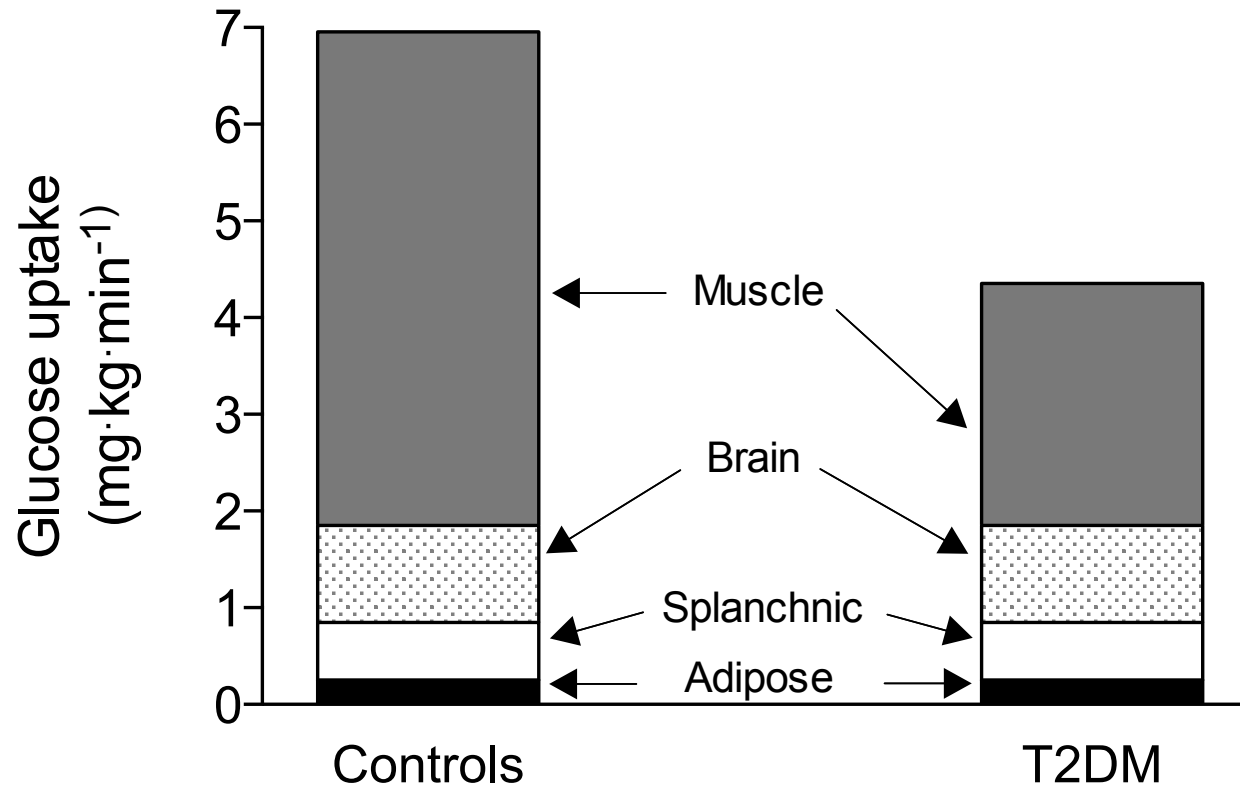
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Only two weeks of step reduction promotes muscle mass loss



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Skeletal muscle is a primary site of glucose disposal



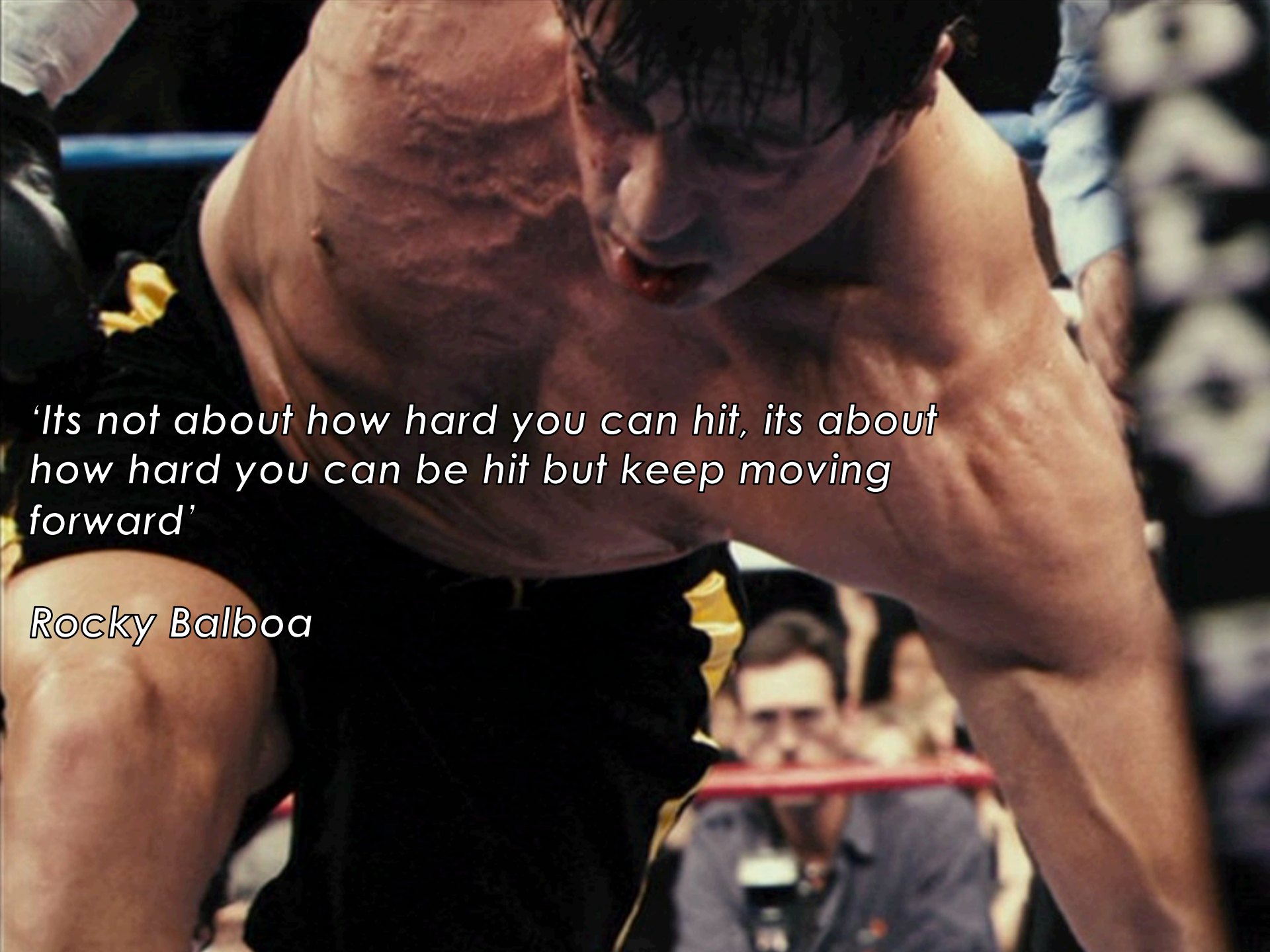
De Fronzo, (1988) *Diabetes*. 37:667-687

Two weeks of step reduction promotes an increase in insulin resistance

12%↑ Fasted state insulin resistance

43%↓ Fed state insulin sensitivity

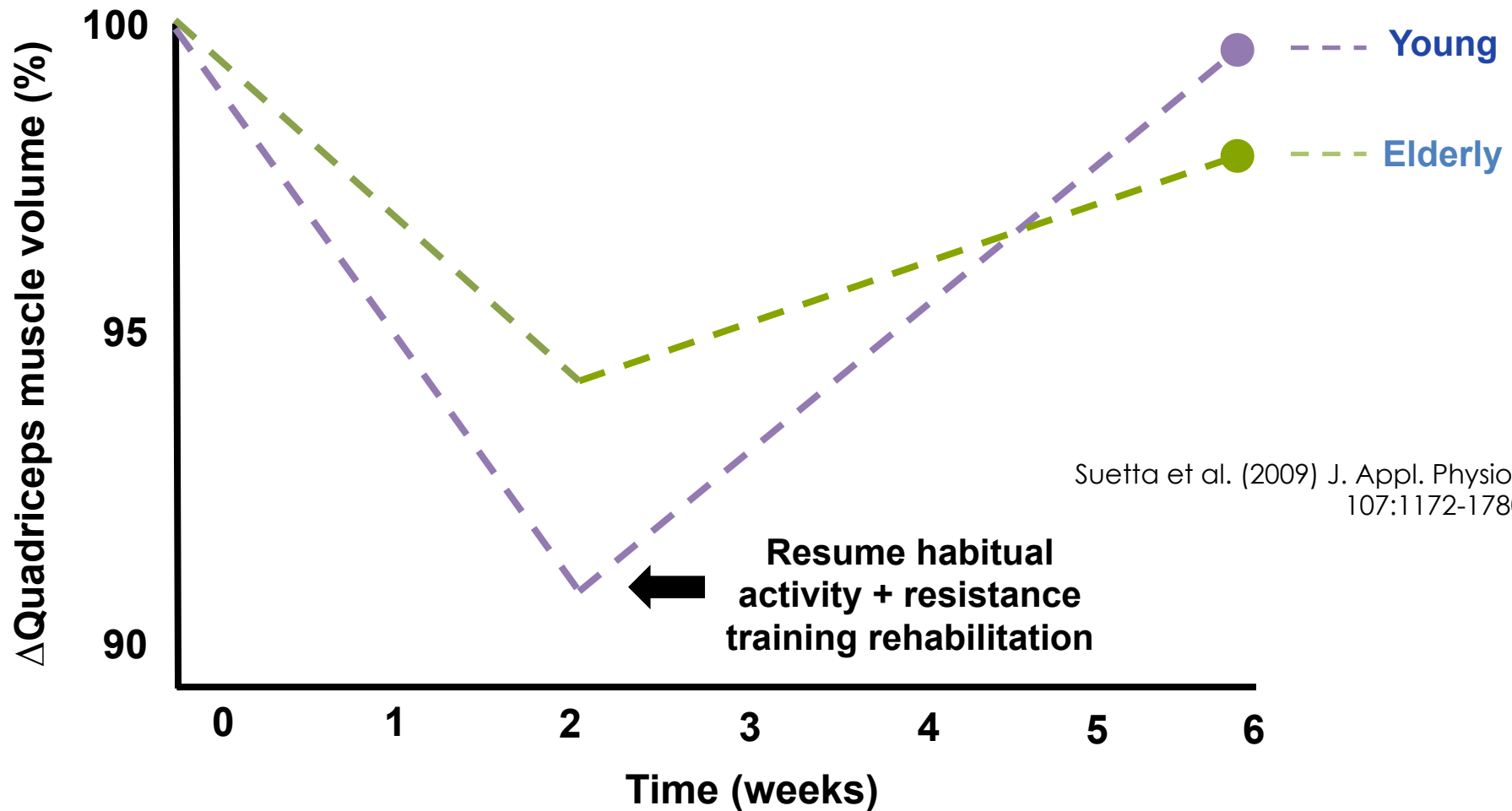
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A close-up, high-angle shot of Rocky Balboa in a boxing ring. He is shirtless, wearing black boxing trunks with yellow trim. He is leaning forward, looking down with a determined and weary expression. His face shows signs of a fight, with a small cut on his forehead and a bruise on his cheek. The background is blurred, showing the ropes of the ring and a crowd of spectators.

*'Its not about how hard you can hit, its about
how hard you can be hit but keep moving
forward'*

Rocky Balboa

Impaired Recovery Following Immobilization

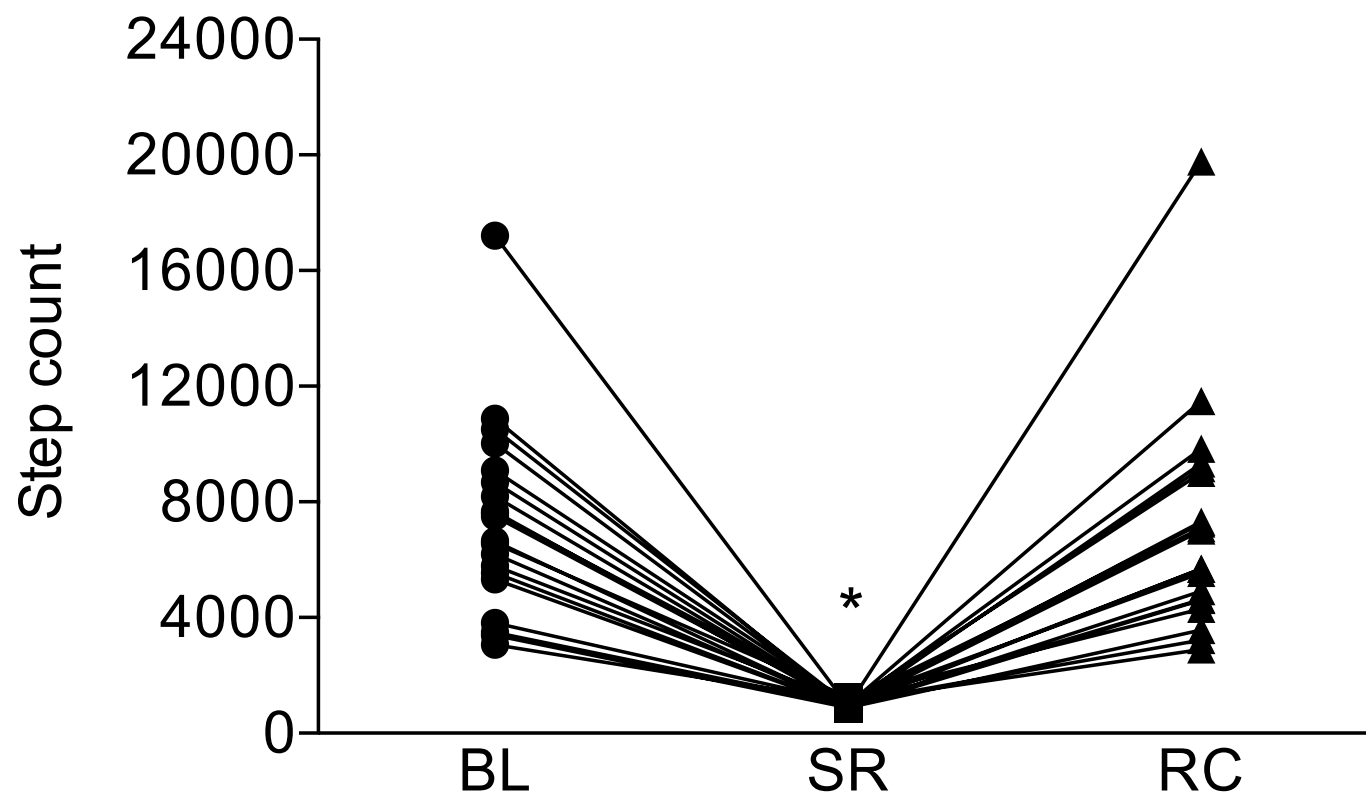


Preliminary data

Age: 68±3yr

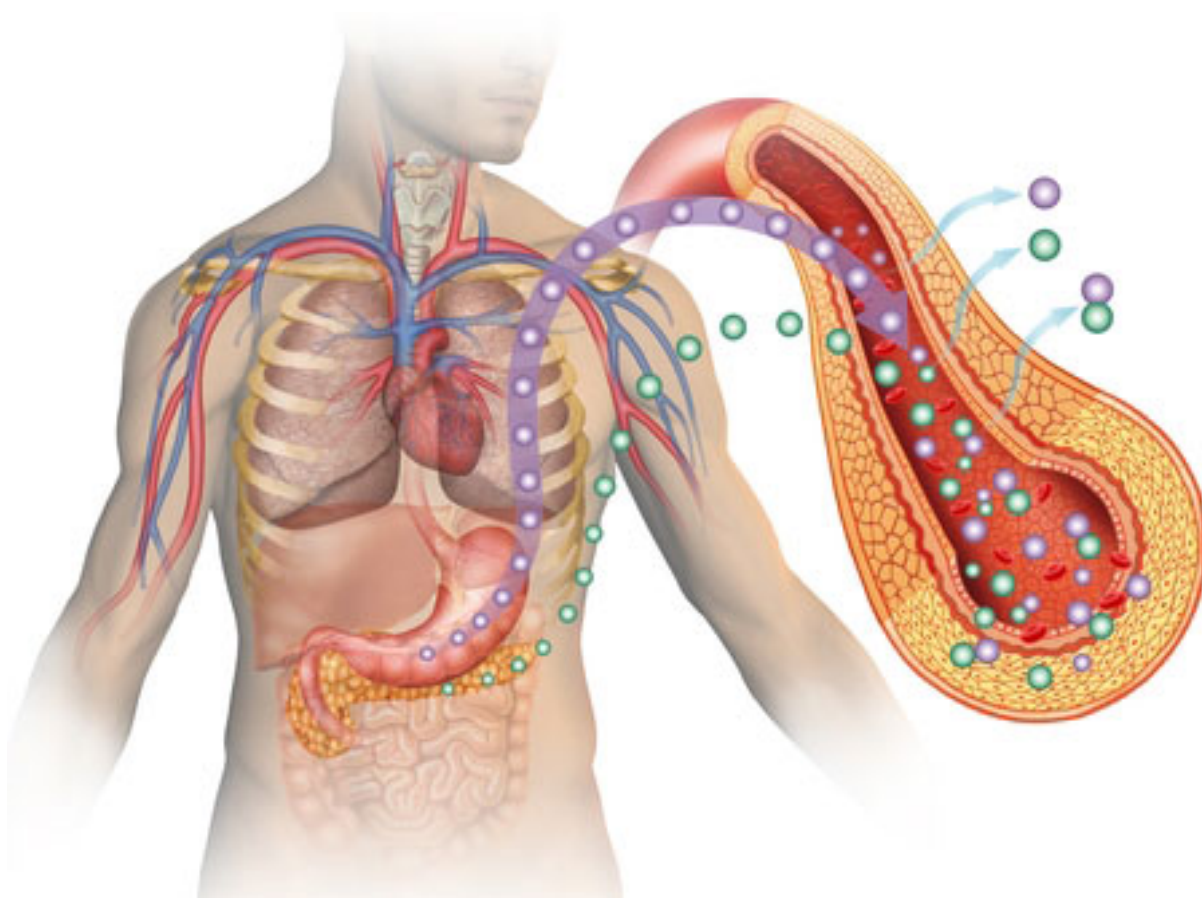


Results – Daily Step Count

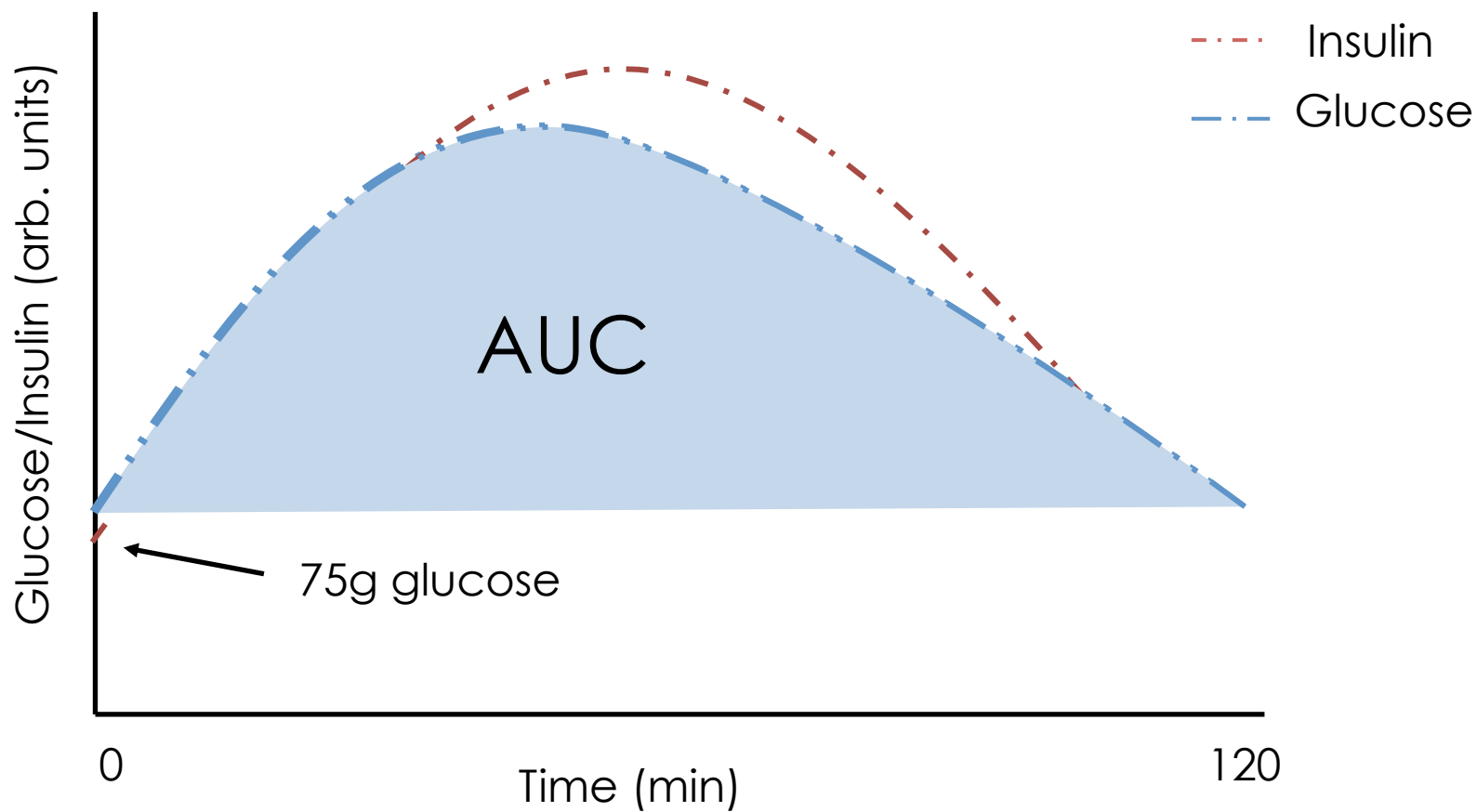


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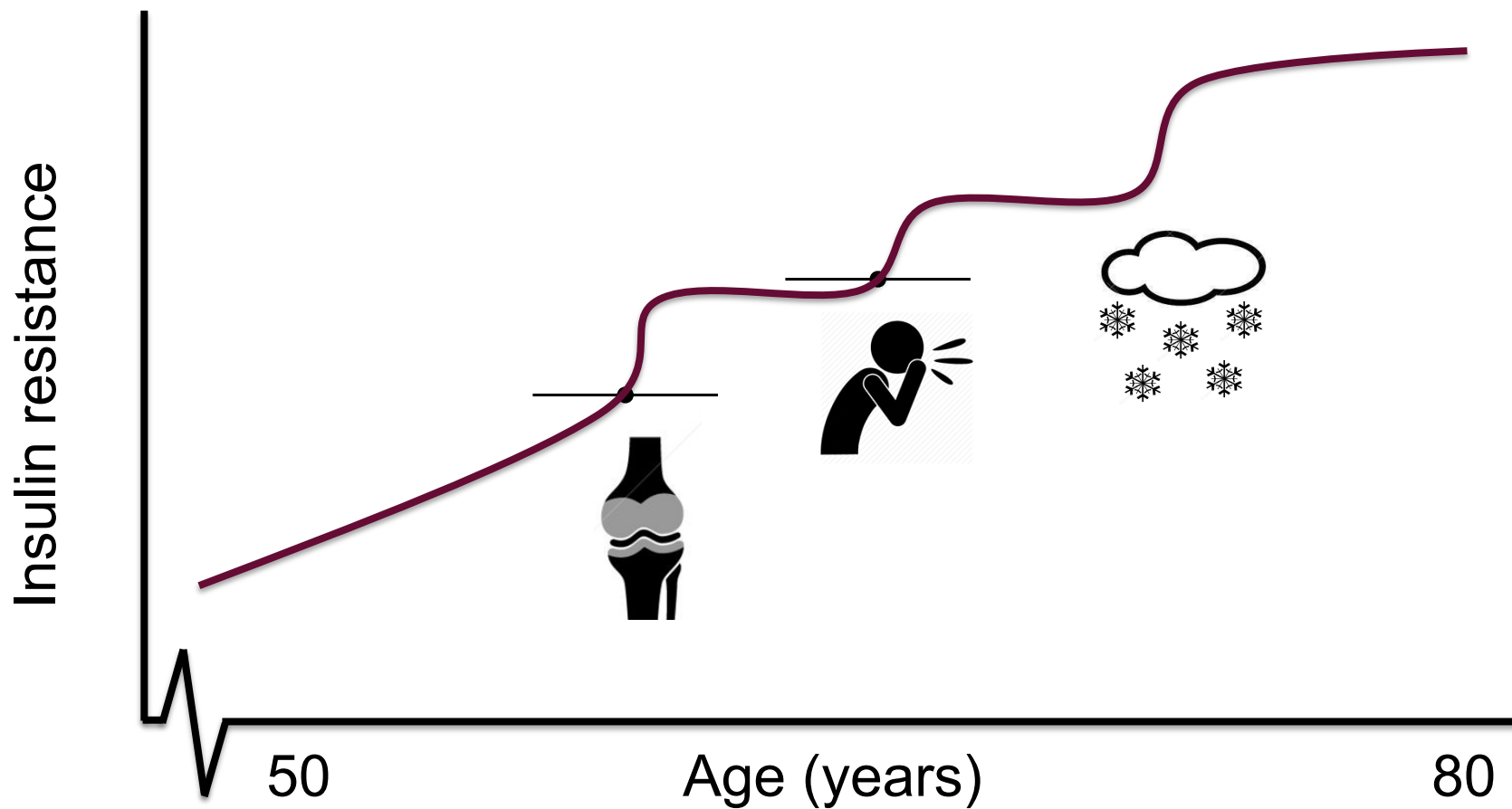
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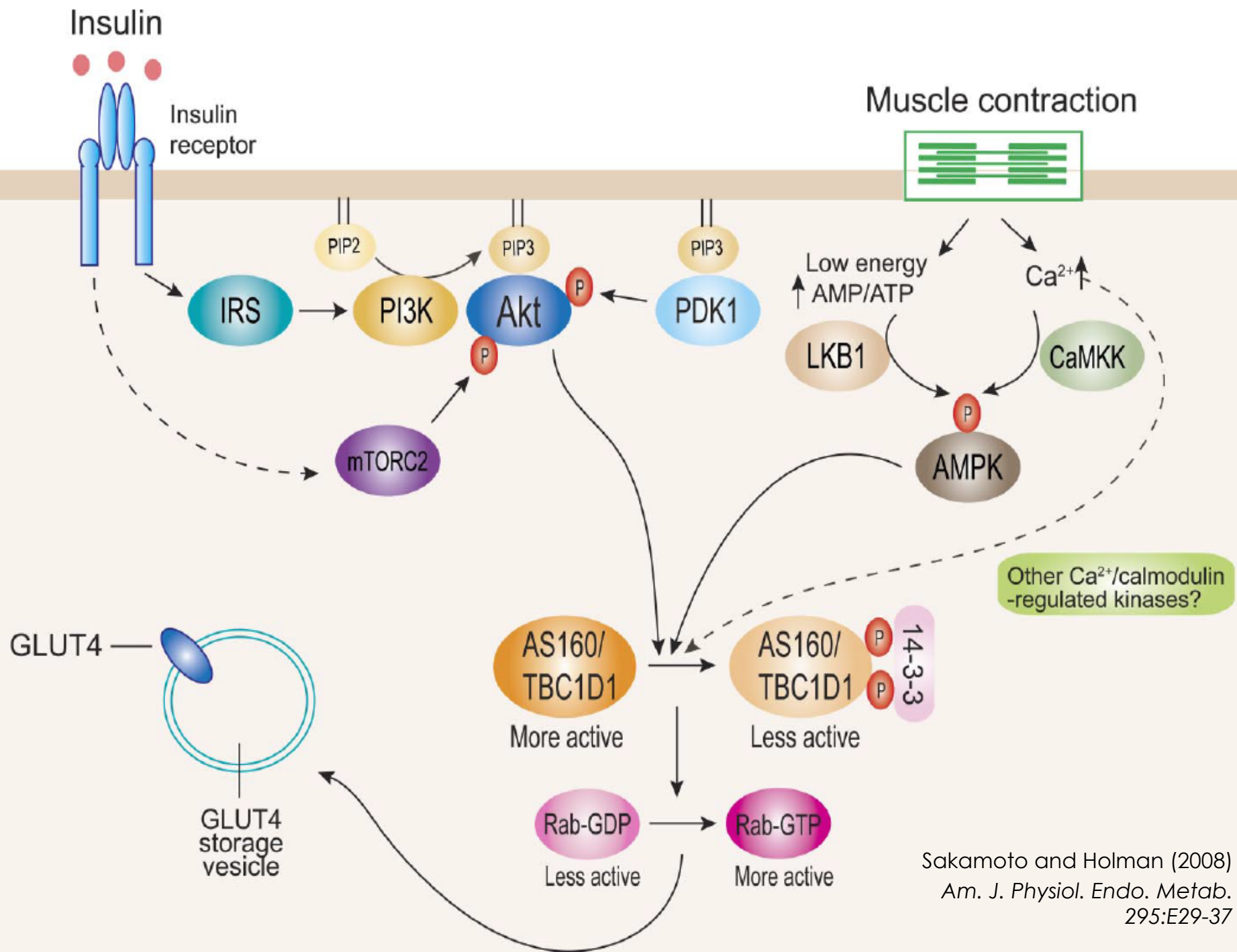
Oral glucose tolerance test response

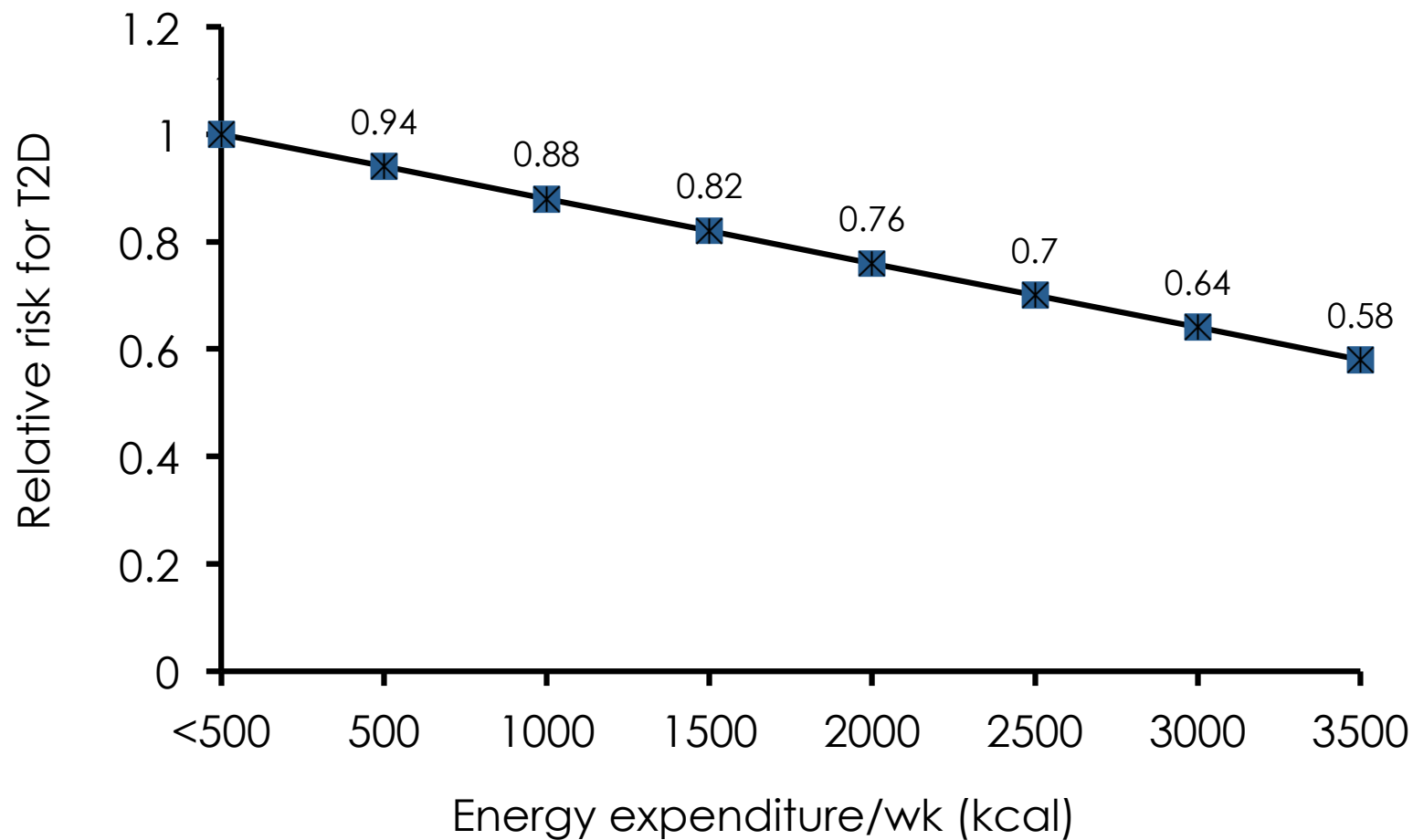


Its not just a catabolic crisis !

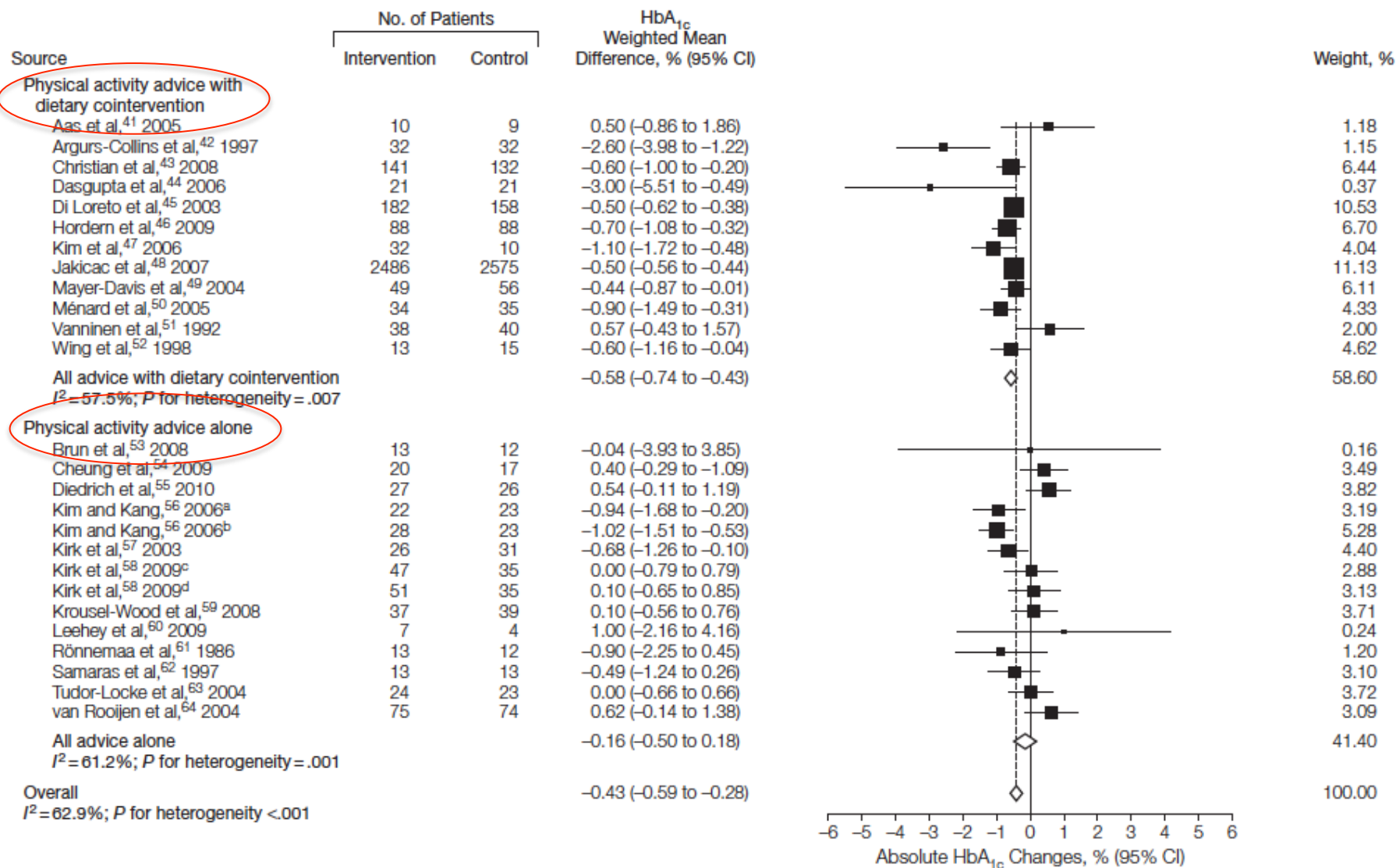


Exercise works !!



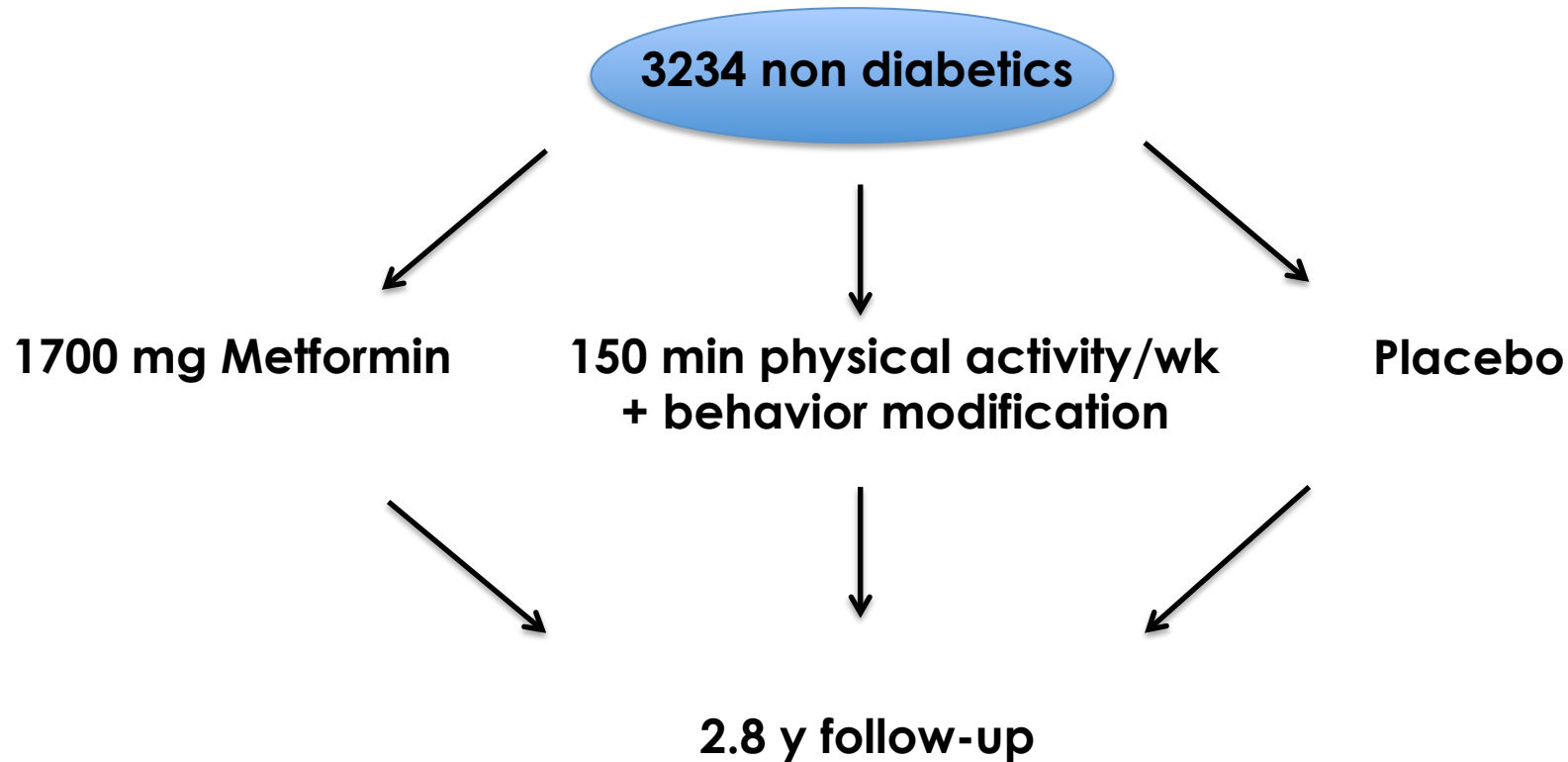


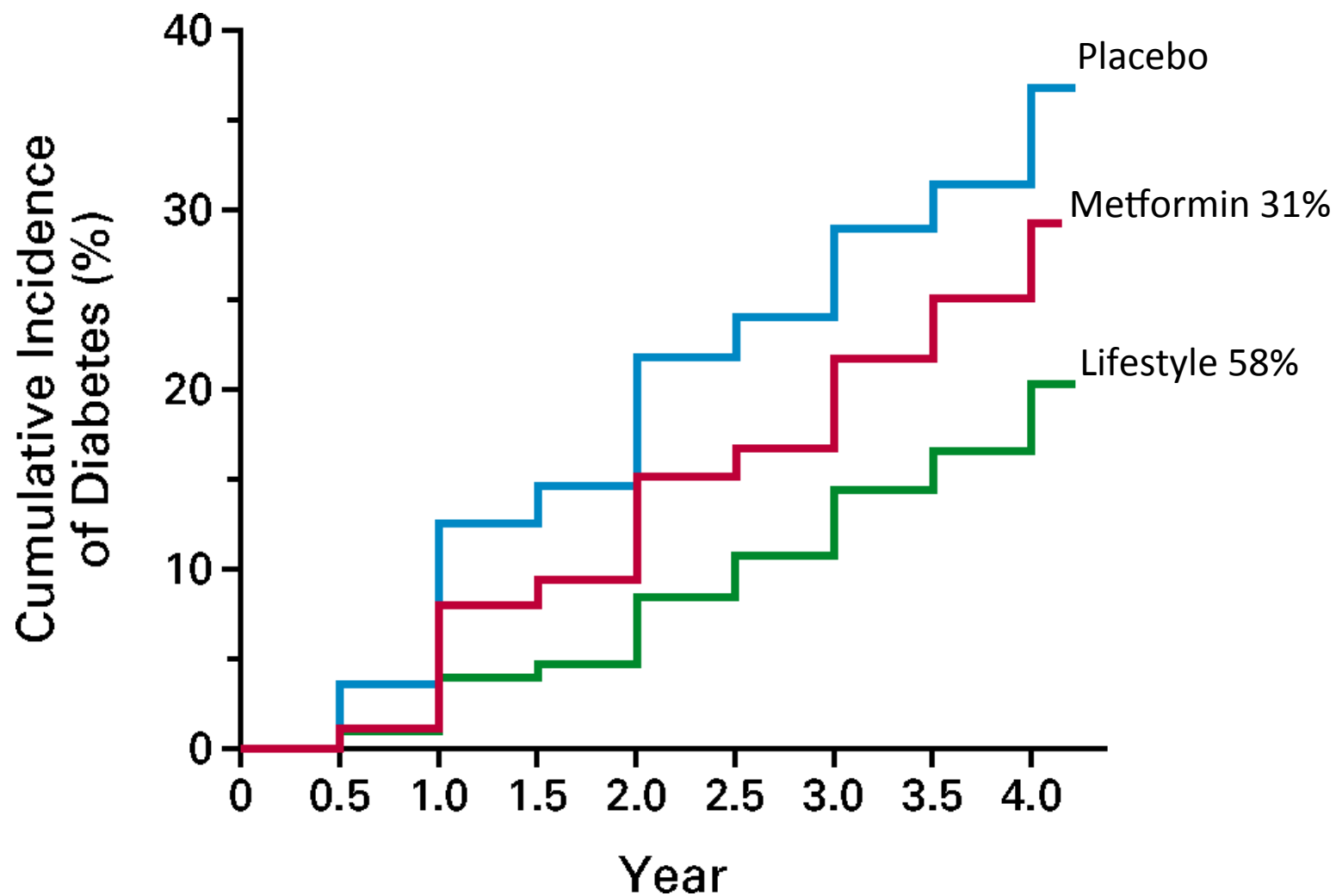
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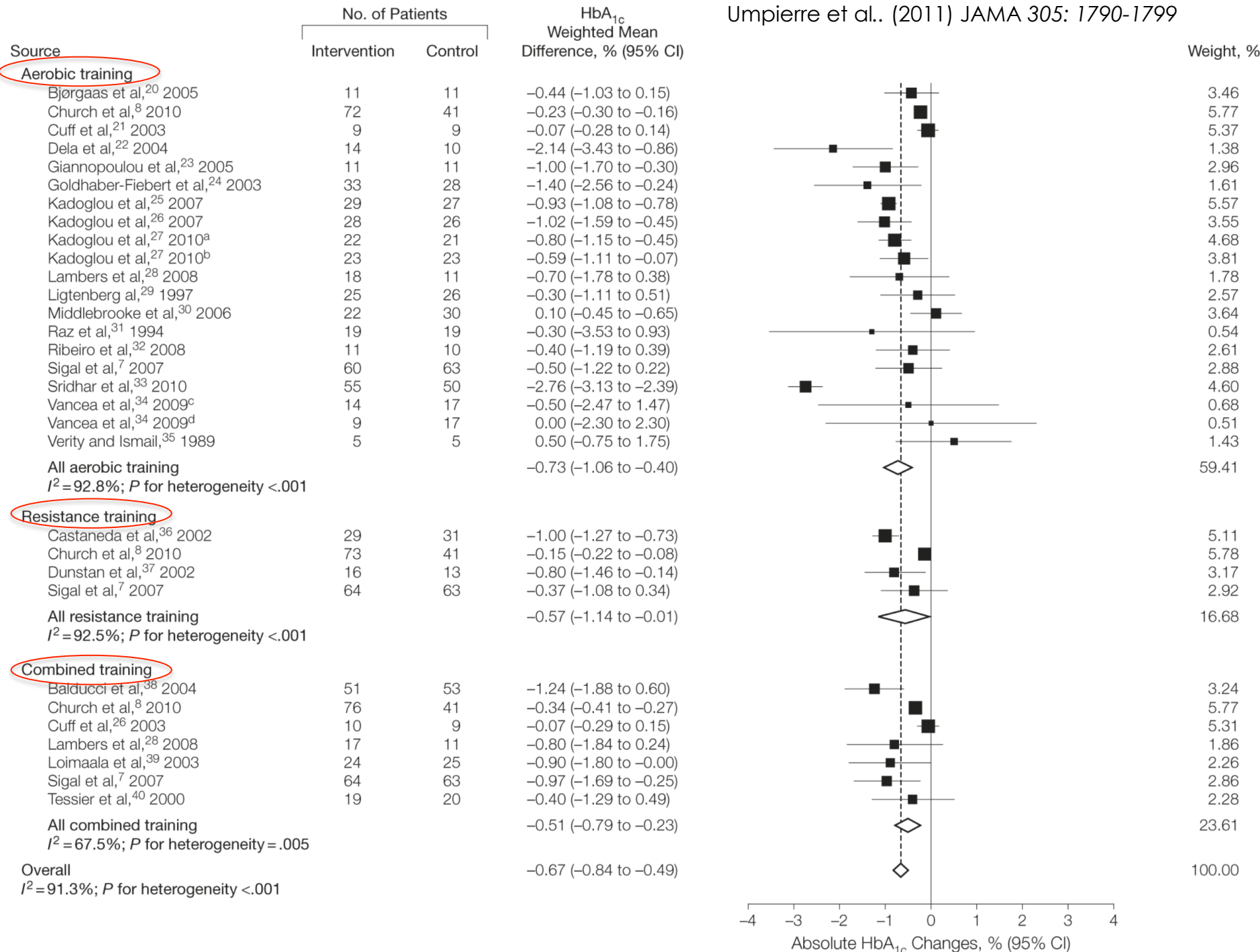
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Diabetes prevention program



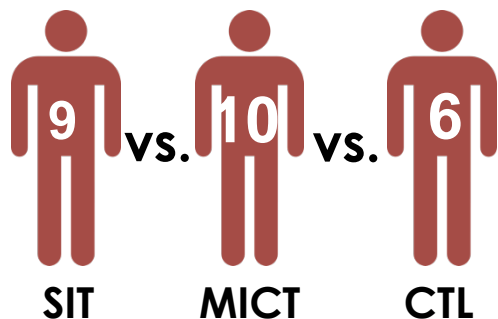


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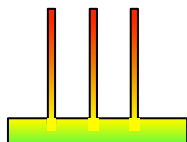


Sprint interval training vs. continuous



3x/wk, 12 wks training

SIT: 3 x 20 s sprints, 2 min recovery



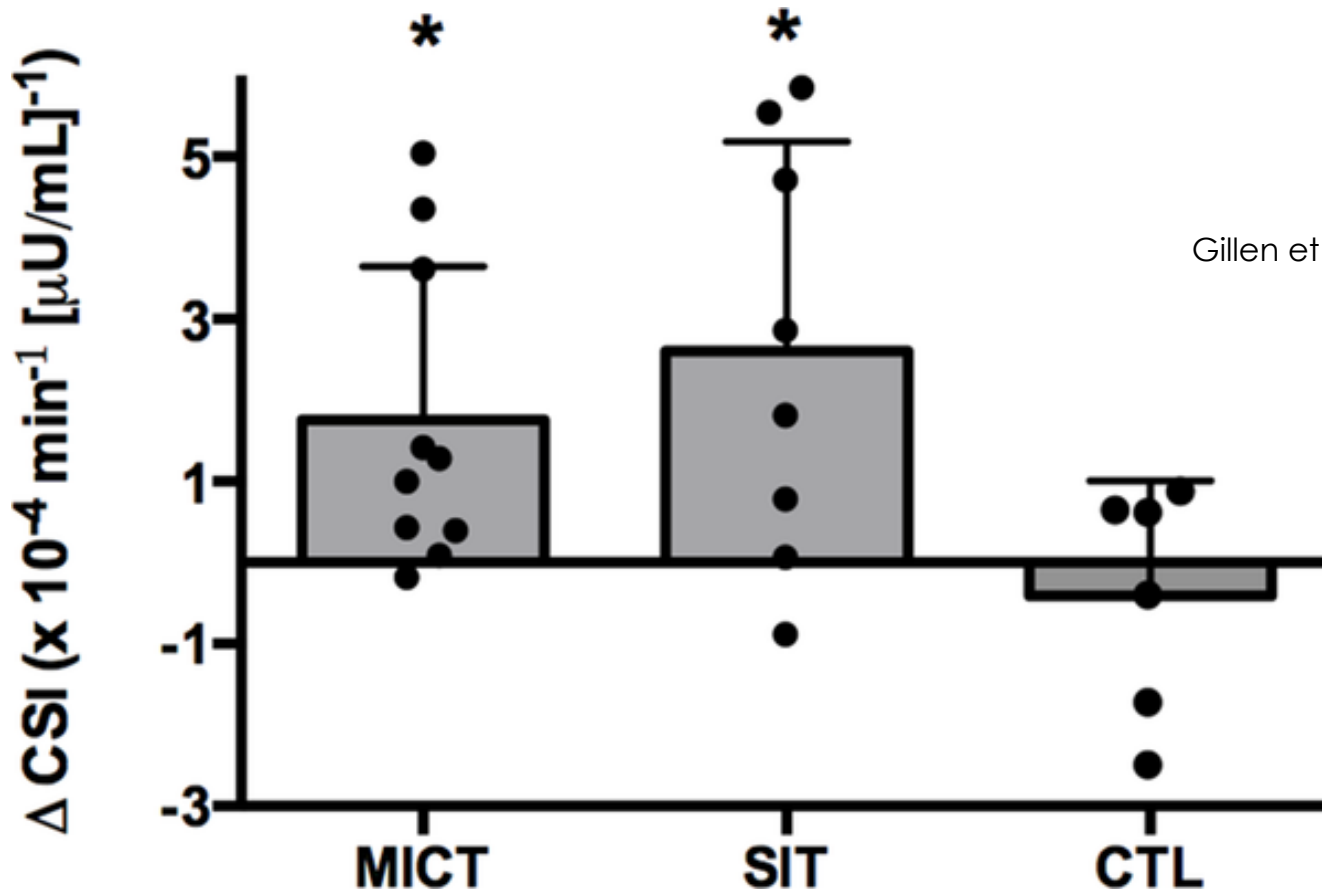
**3 minutes of intense exercise
within a 30 minute weekly time
commitment**

MICT: 45 min cycling @ ~70% max heart rate



**150 minutes of moderate-intensity
continuous exercise per week**

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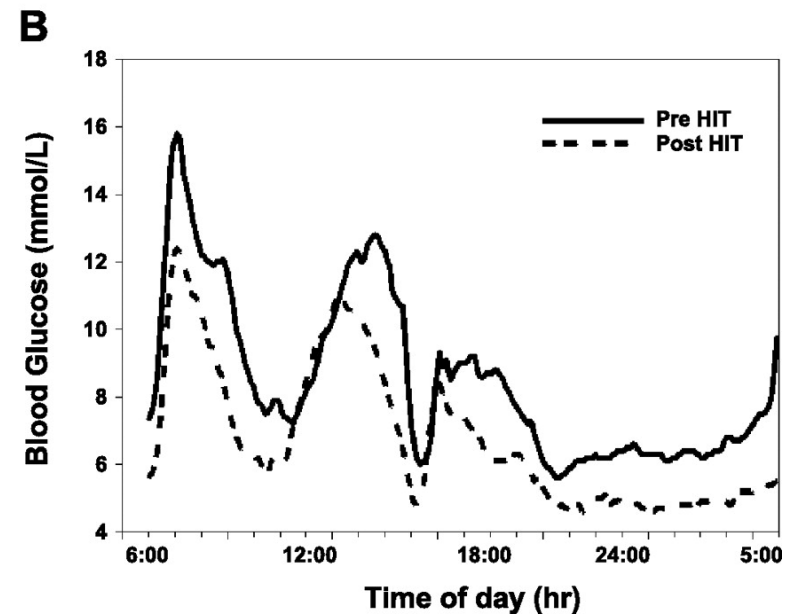
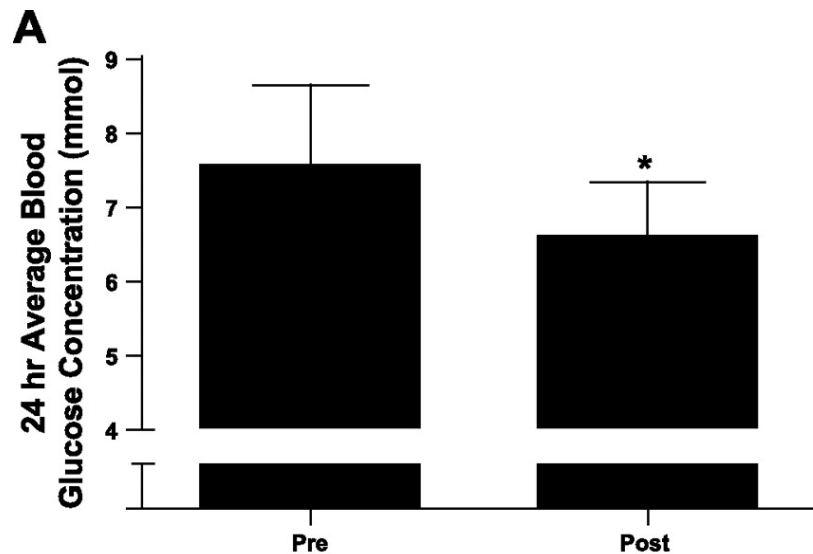
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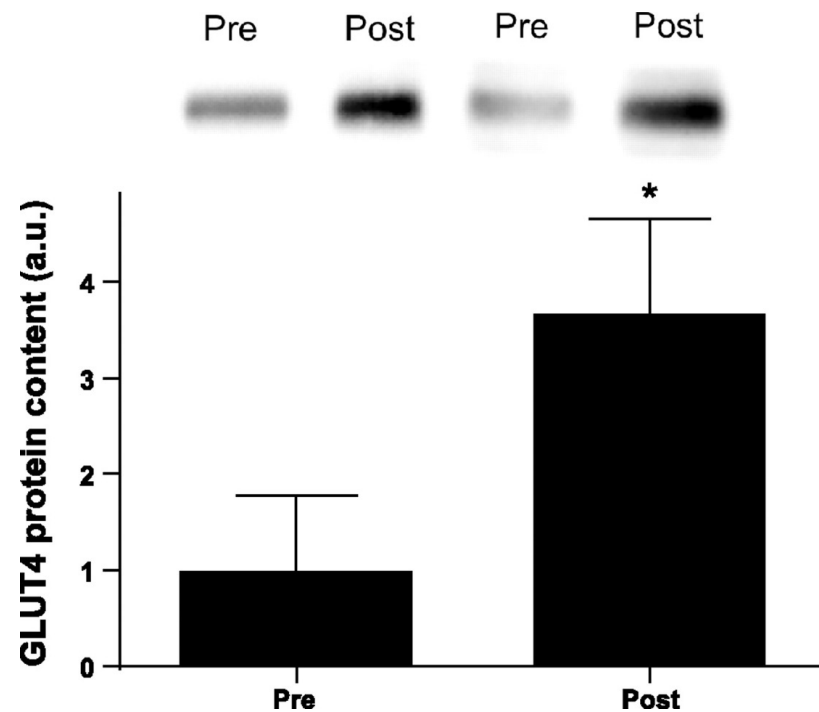
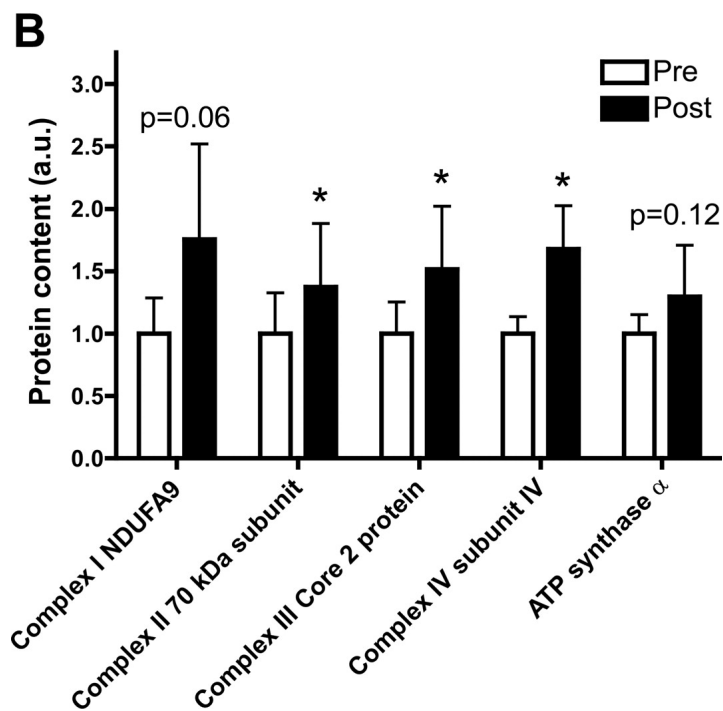
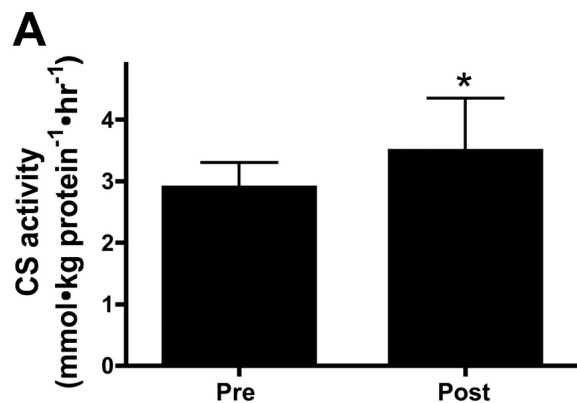
Two weeks of HIIT reduces hyperglycaemia in Type 2 diabetics

HIT: 10 x 60s bouts @ ~90% max heart rate



Little et al. (2011) J. Appl. Physiol.
111:1554-1560



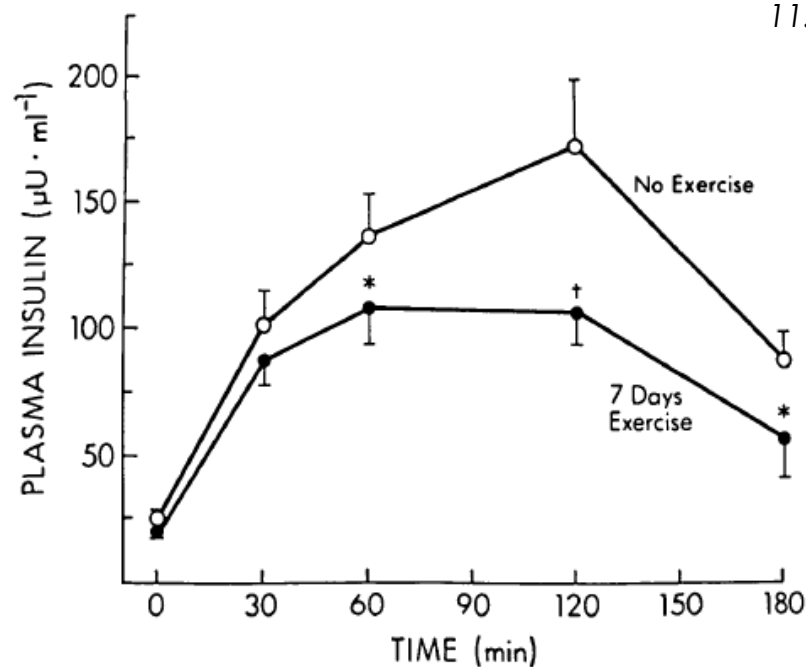
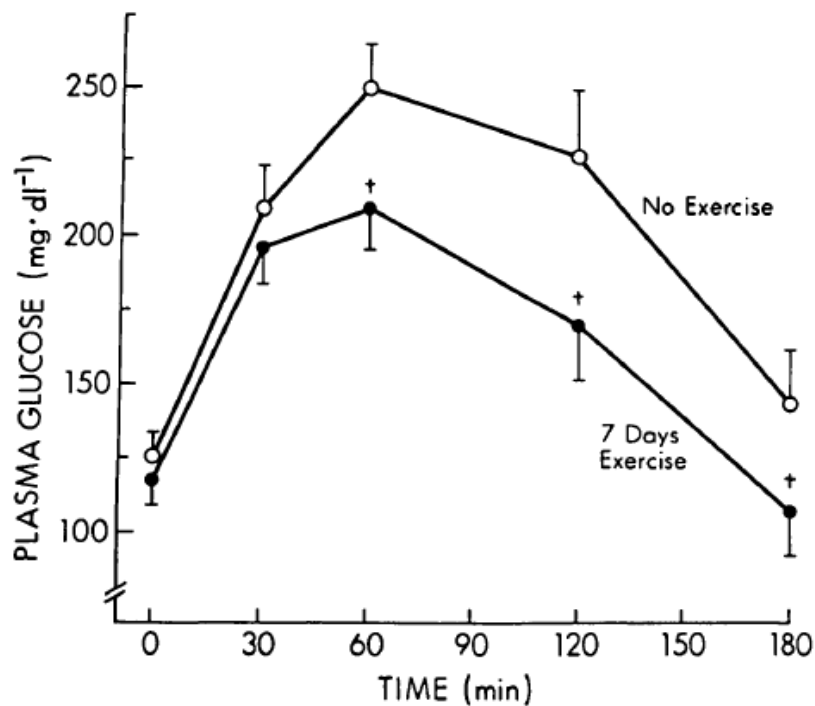


Dr. John Holloszy, MD, PhD., 1980s

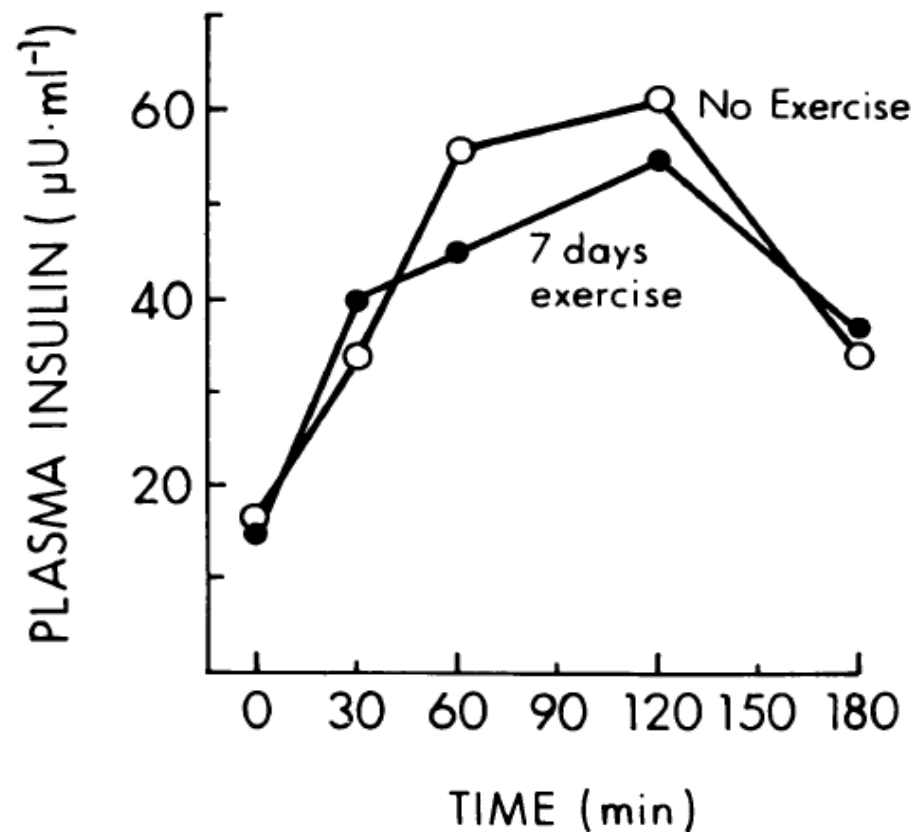
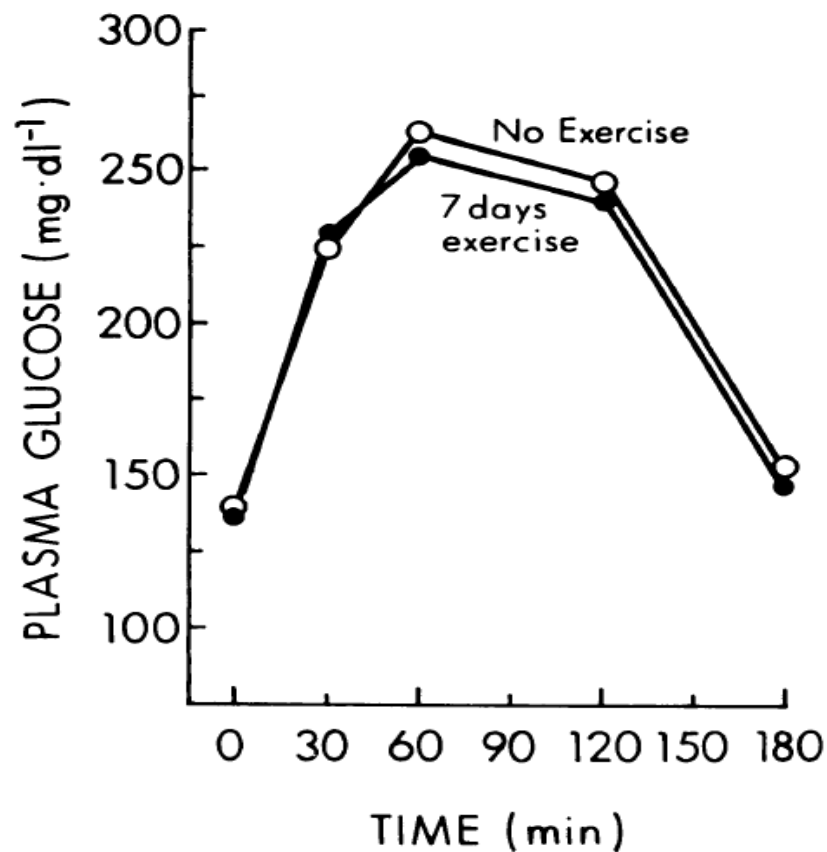
10 men (7 mild T2D; 3 impaired glucose tolerance)



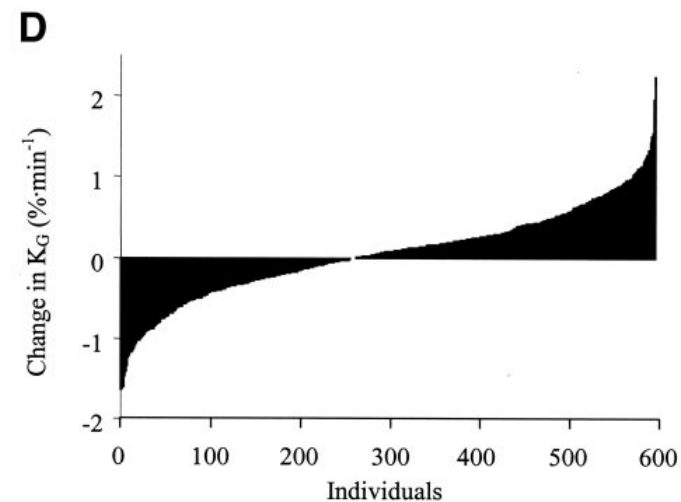
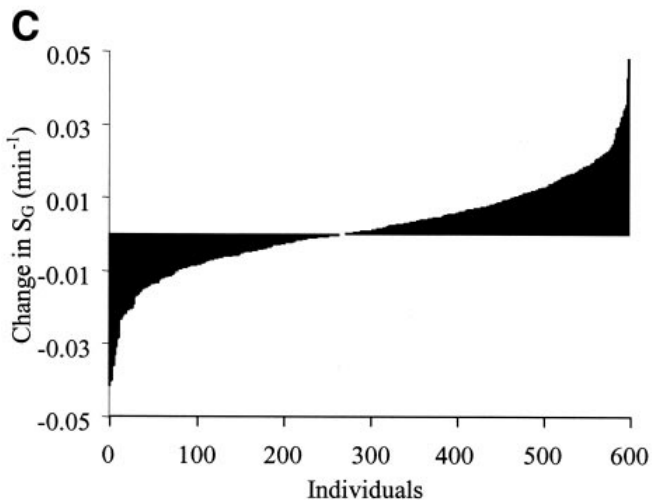
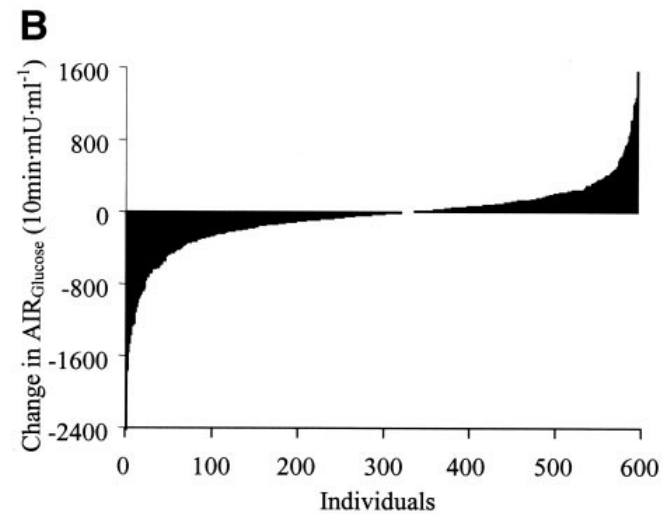
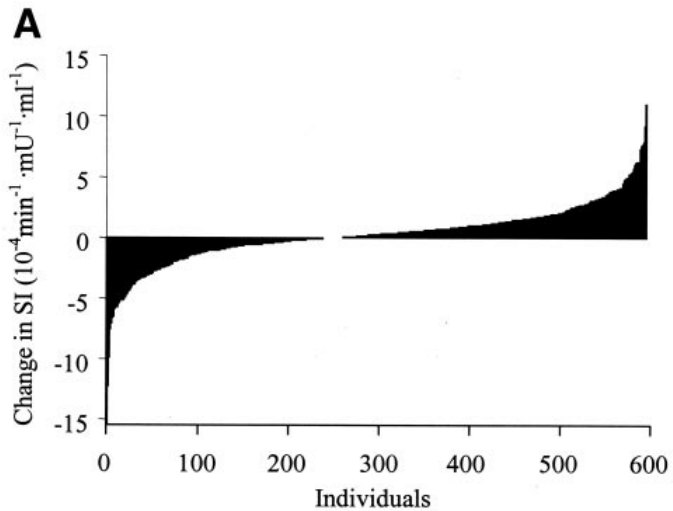
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One size does not fit all



The HERITAGE family study

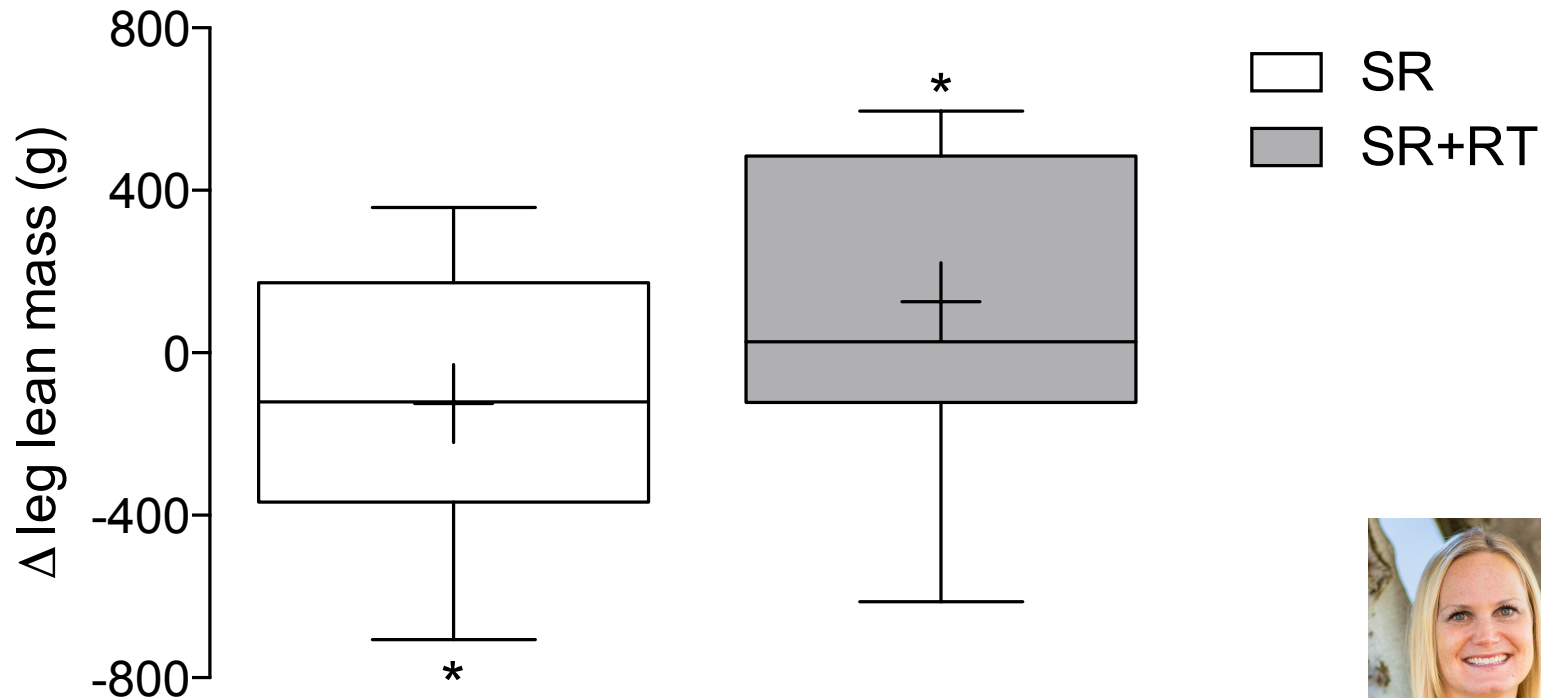


Boule et al. (2005)
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*‘Although the effects of structured regular exercise were highly variable, **there were improvements in virtually all IVGTT-derived variables.** In the absence of substantial weight loss, regular exercise is required for sustained improvements in glucose homeostasis’*

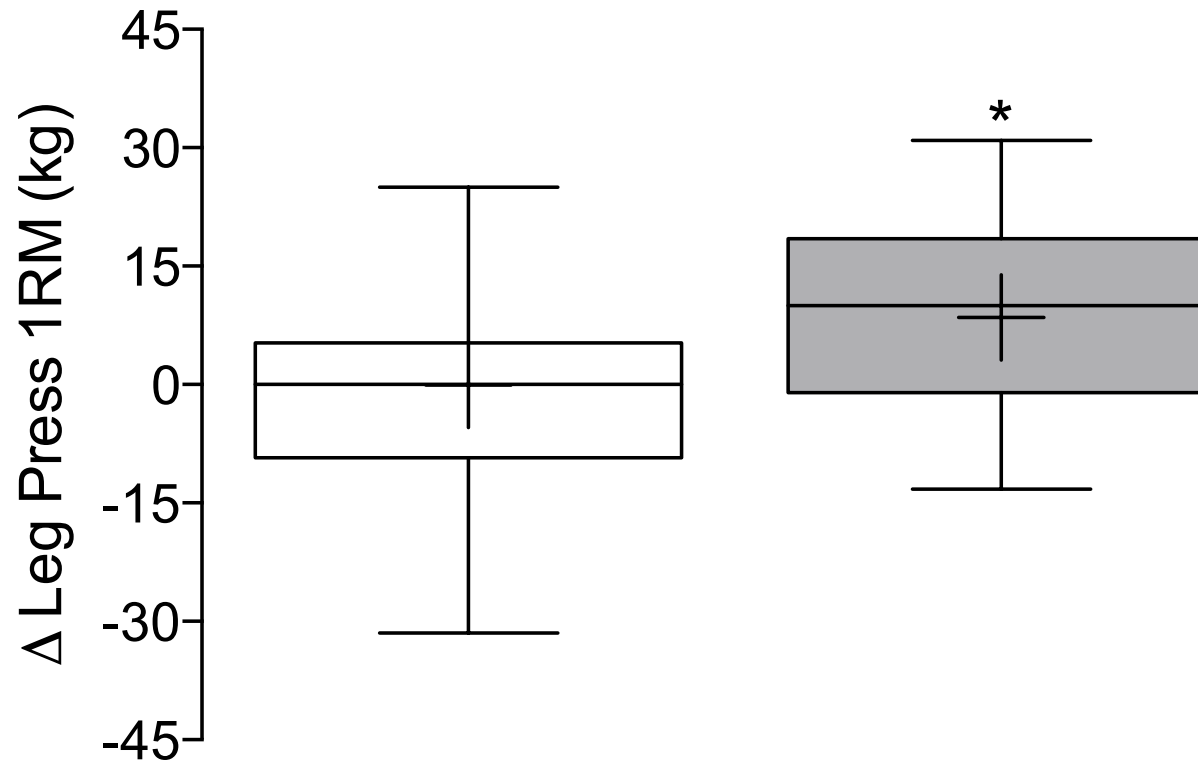


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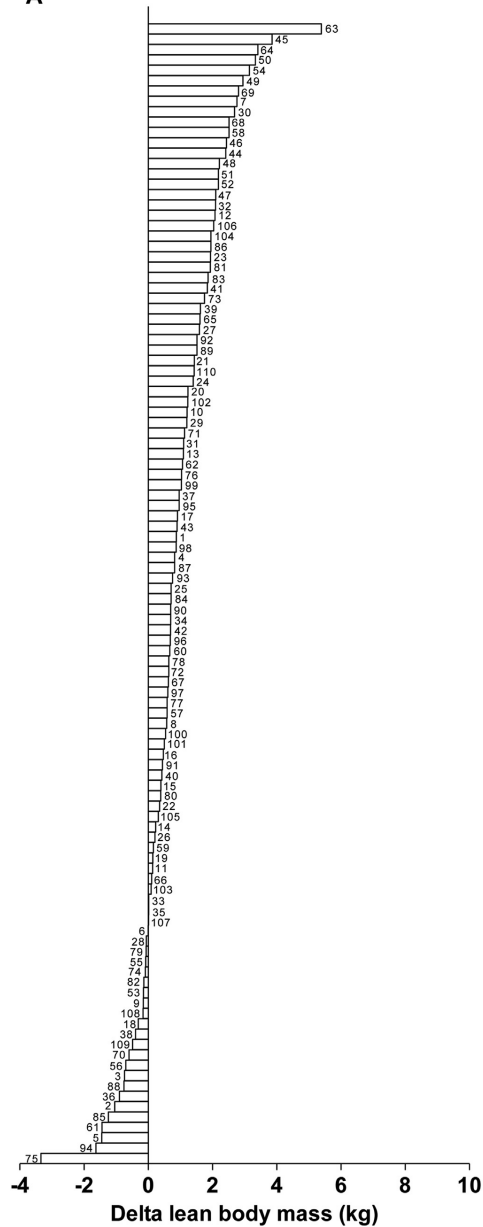
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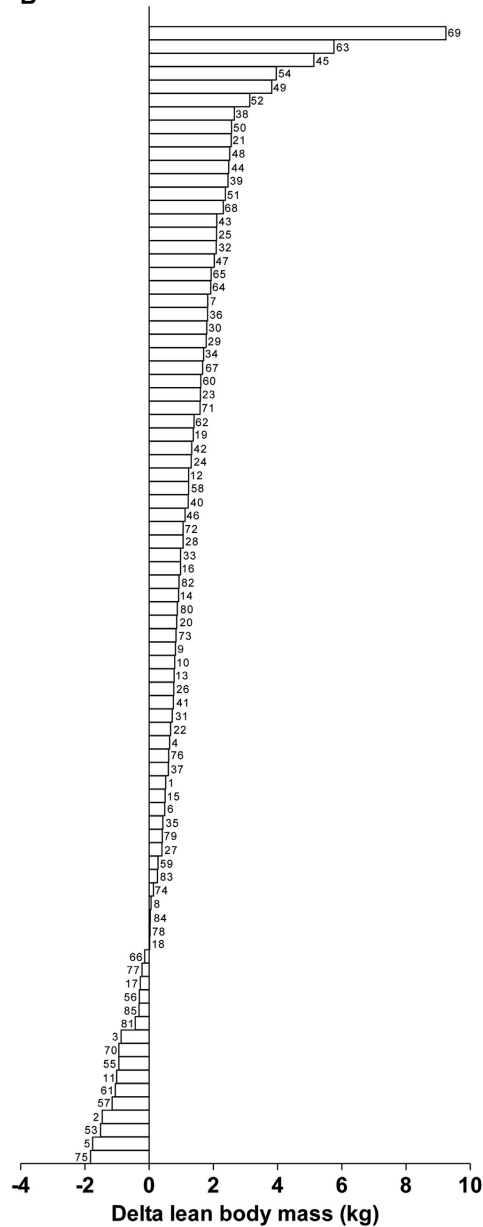
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B

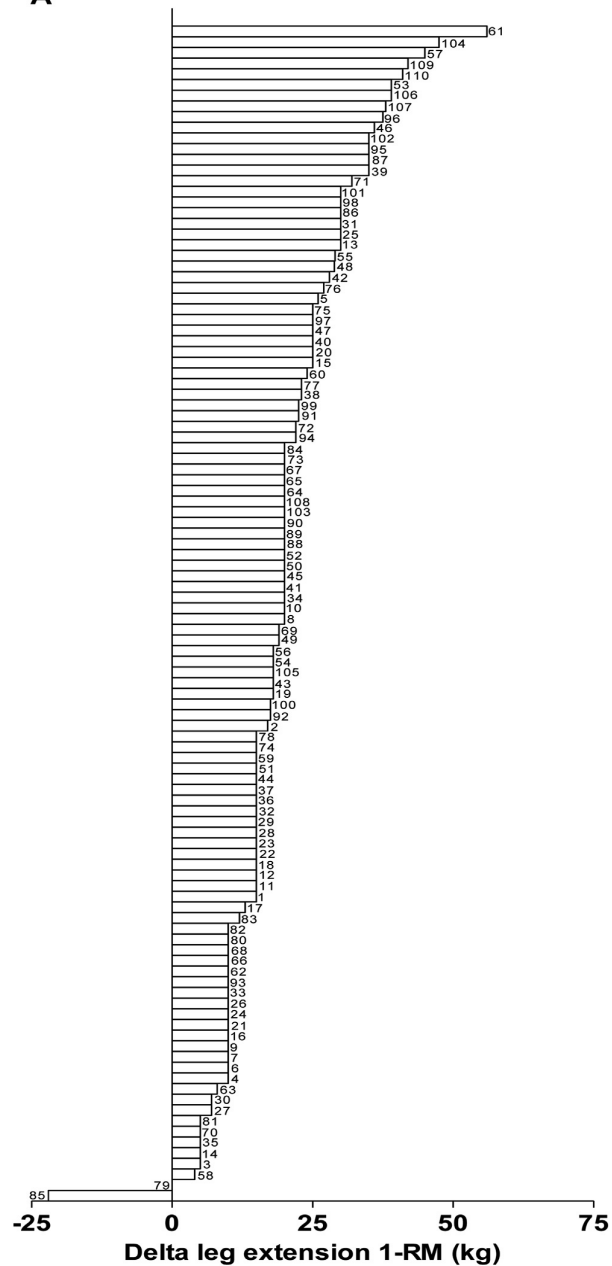
0-24 weeks



Churchward-Venne et al.
(2015) JAMDA. 16:
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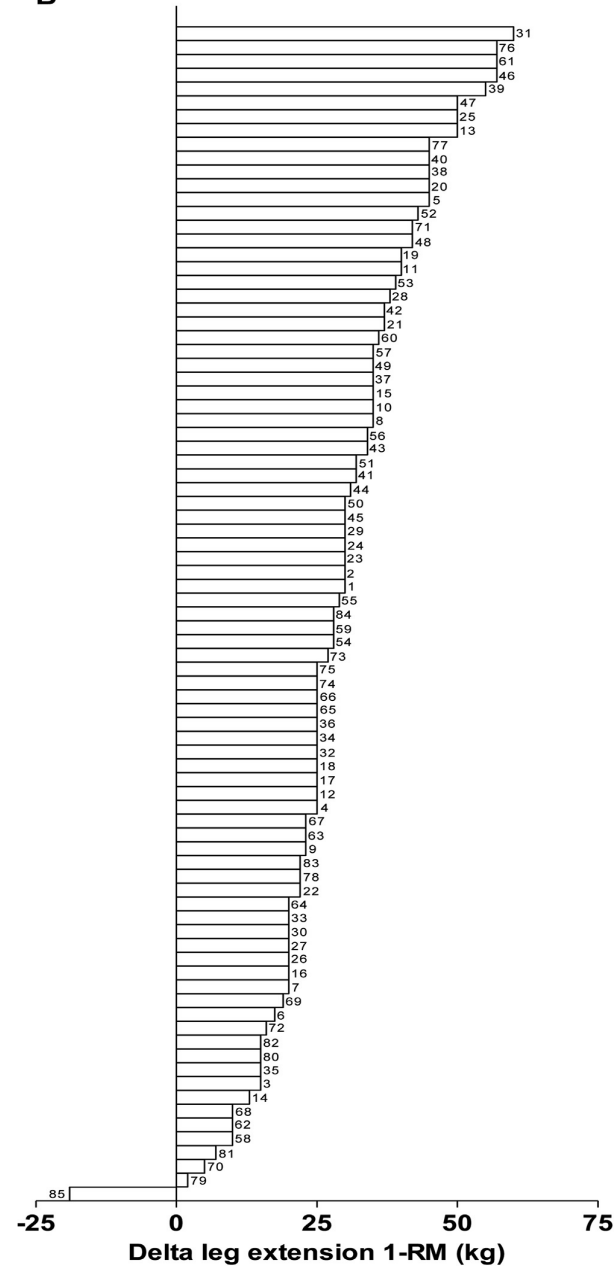
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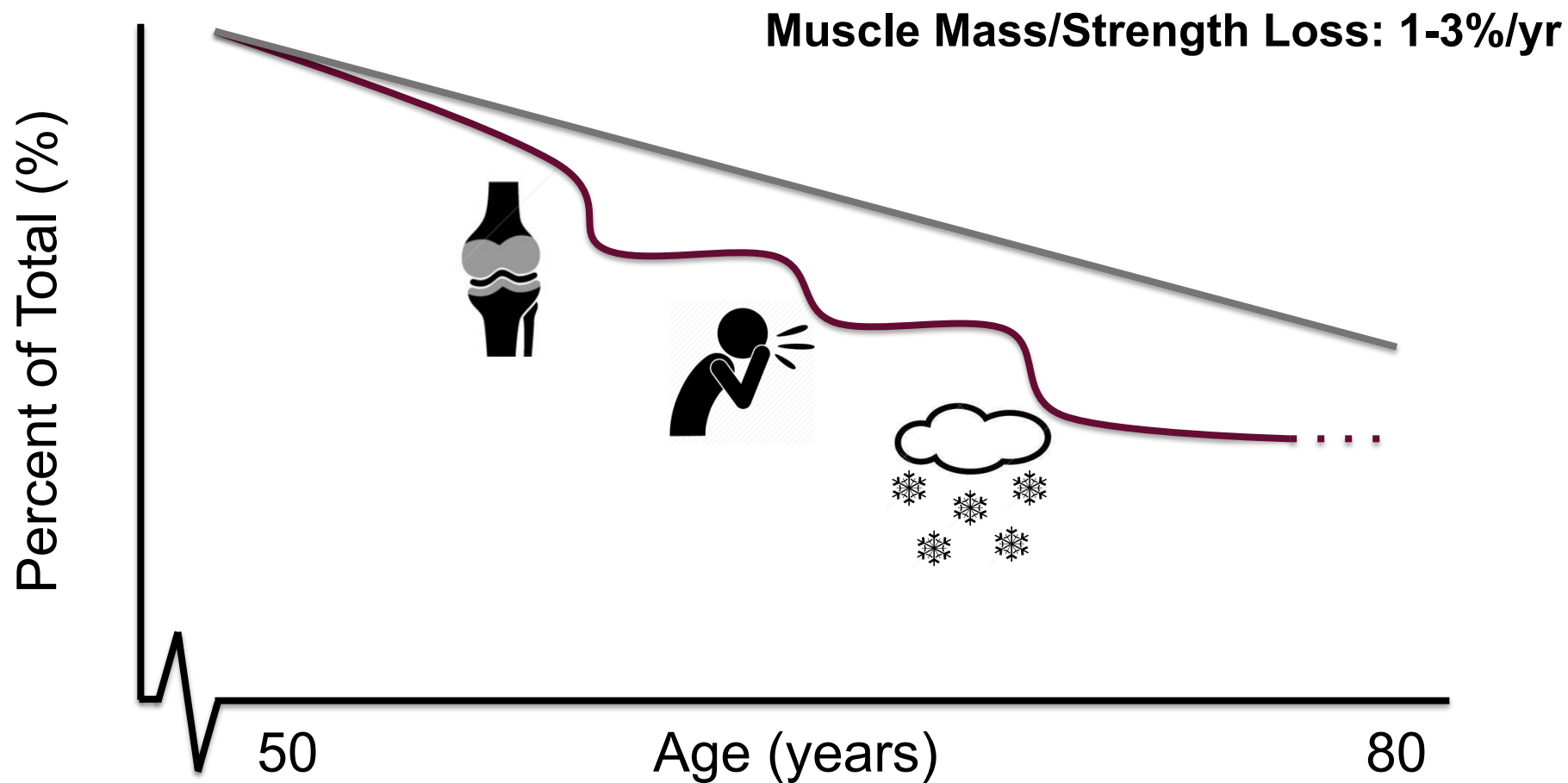


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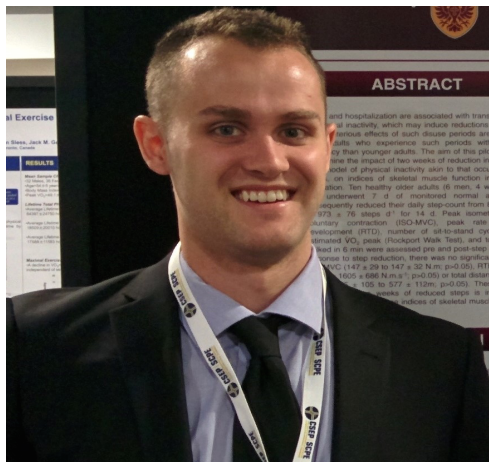
- 1 Brief bouts of physical inactivity have profound negative consequences on skeletal muscle
- 2 Older adults do not fully recover glycemic control following brief bouts of physical inactivity
- 3 Physical activity and exercise are modifiable risk factors to improve skeletal muscle health

Its not just all about physiology

'Tackling physical inactivity and metabolic ill health is multifaceted, complex and will require an interdisciplinary approach'

.....but it can be done

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