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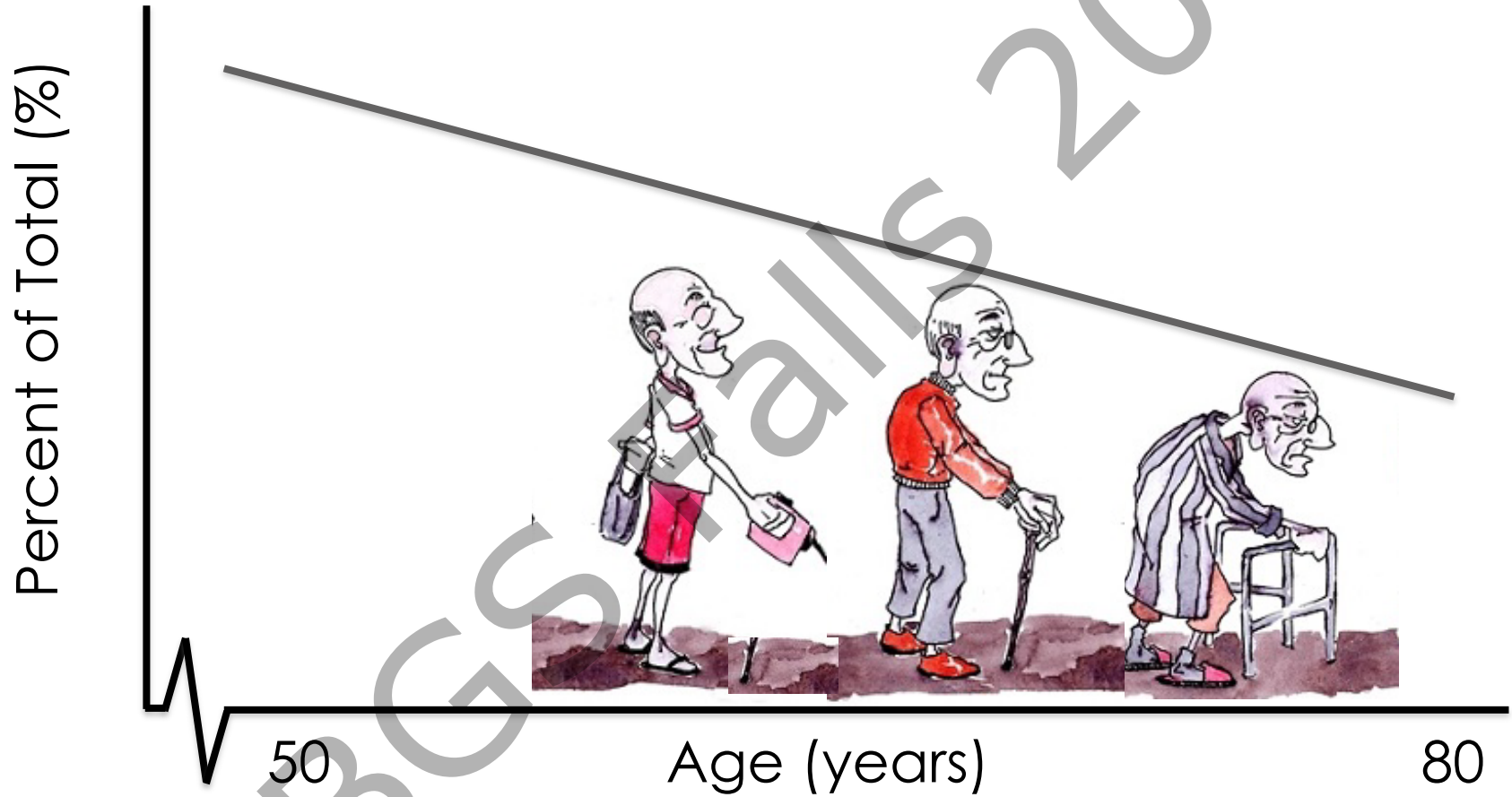
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Role of nutrition and exercise interventions for sarcopenia in fallers

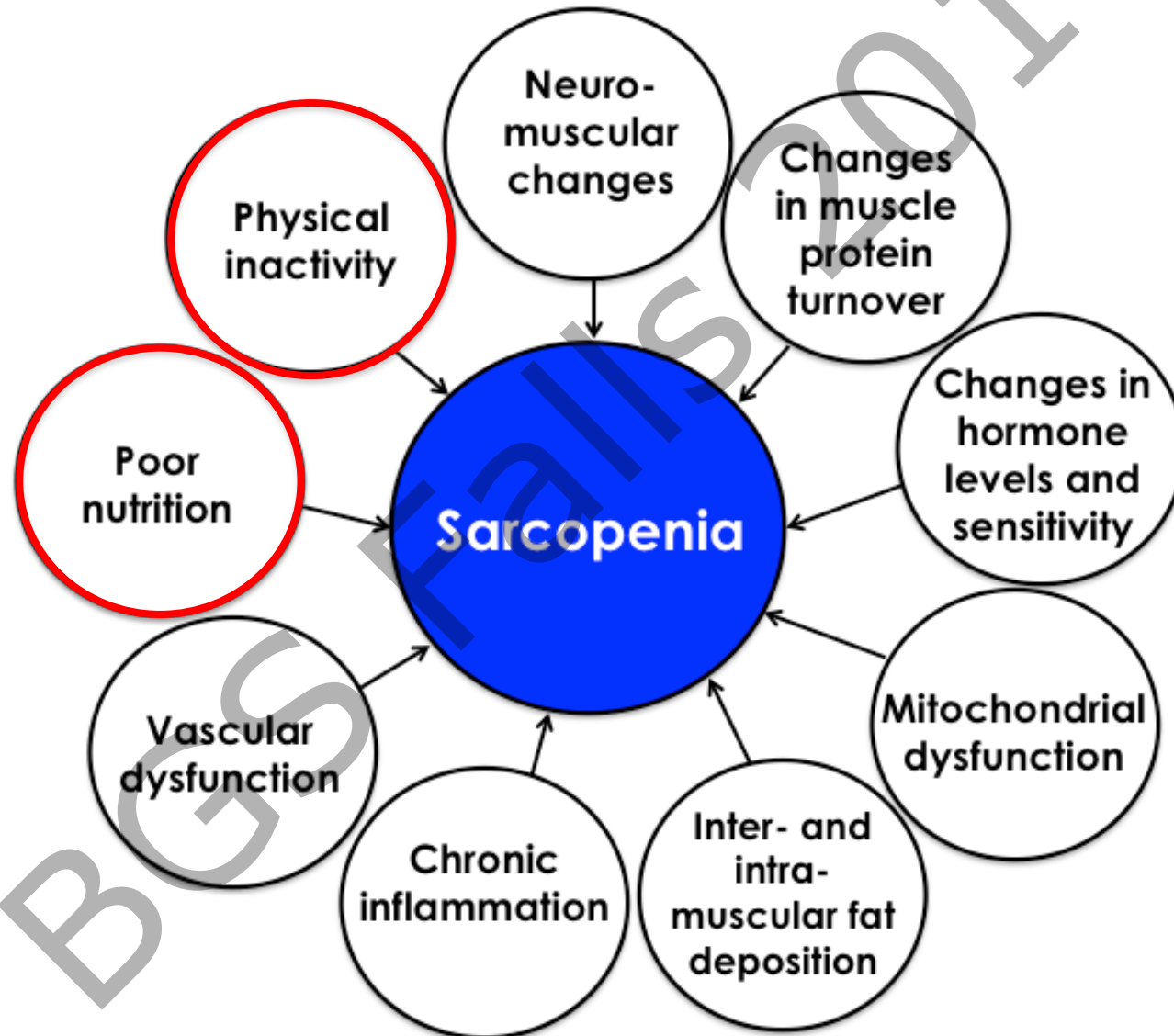
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Sarcopenia



Aetiology of sarcopenia

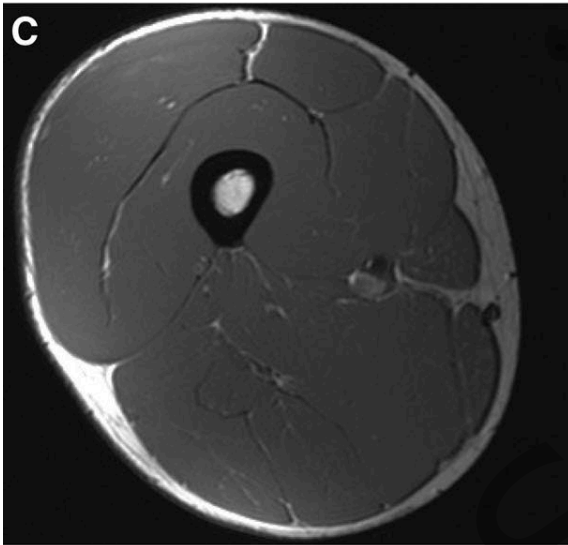


Physical (in)activity: a key regulator of muscle mass

Young

Old

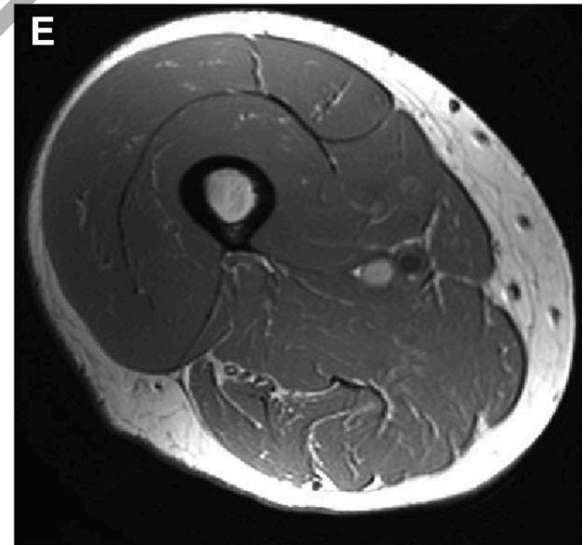
Old active



Male – 24 yrs
Body mass – 76kg
Fat mass – 10kg
Fat free mass – 57kg



Male – 66 yrs
Body mass – 81kg
Fat mass – 57kg
Fat free mass – 13kg
Average daily steps = 3141
PA >3MET per/day = 22mins

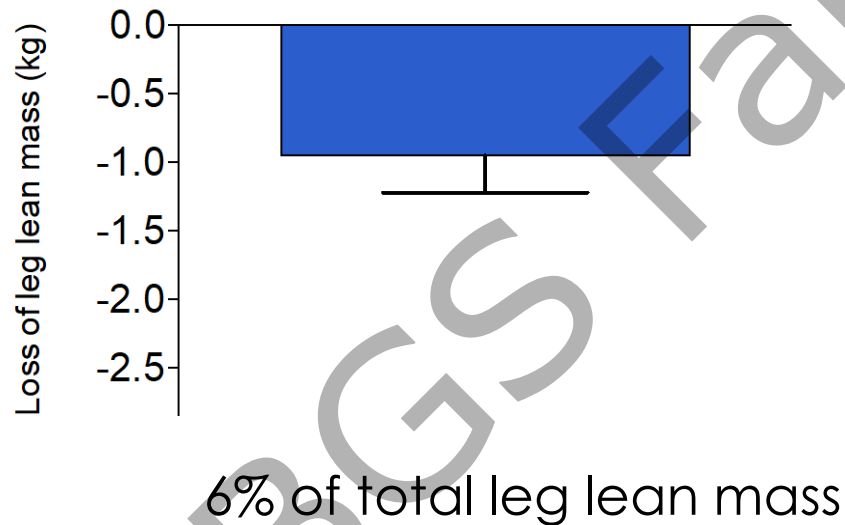


Male – 66 yrs
Body mass – 79kg
Fat mass – 34kg
Fat free mass – 36kg
Average daily steps = 12445
PA >3MET per/day = 130mins

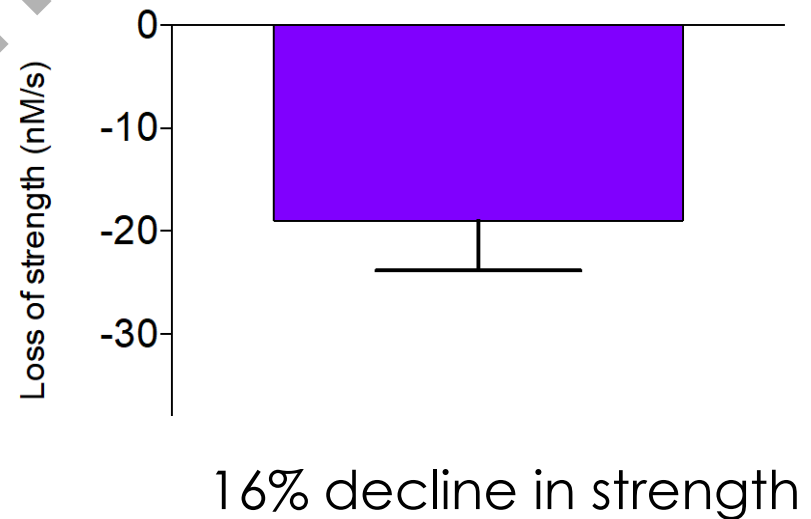
Periods of **muscle disuse** accelerate sarcopenia

10 d bed rest

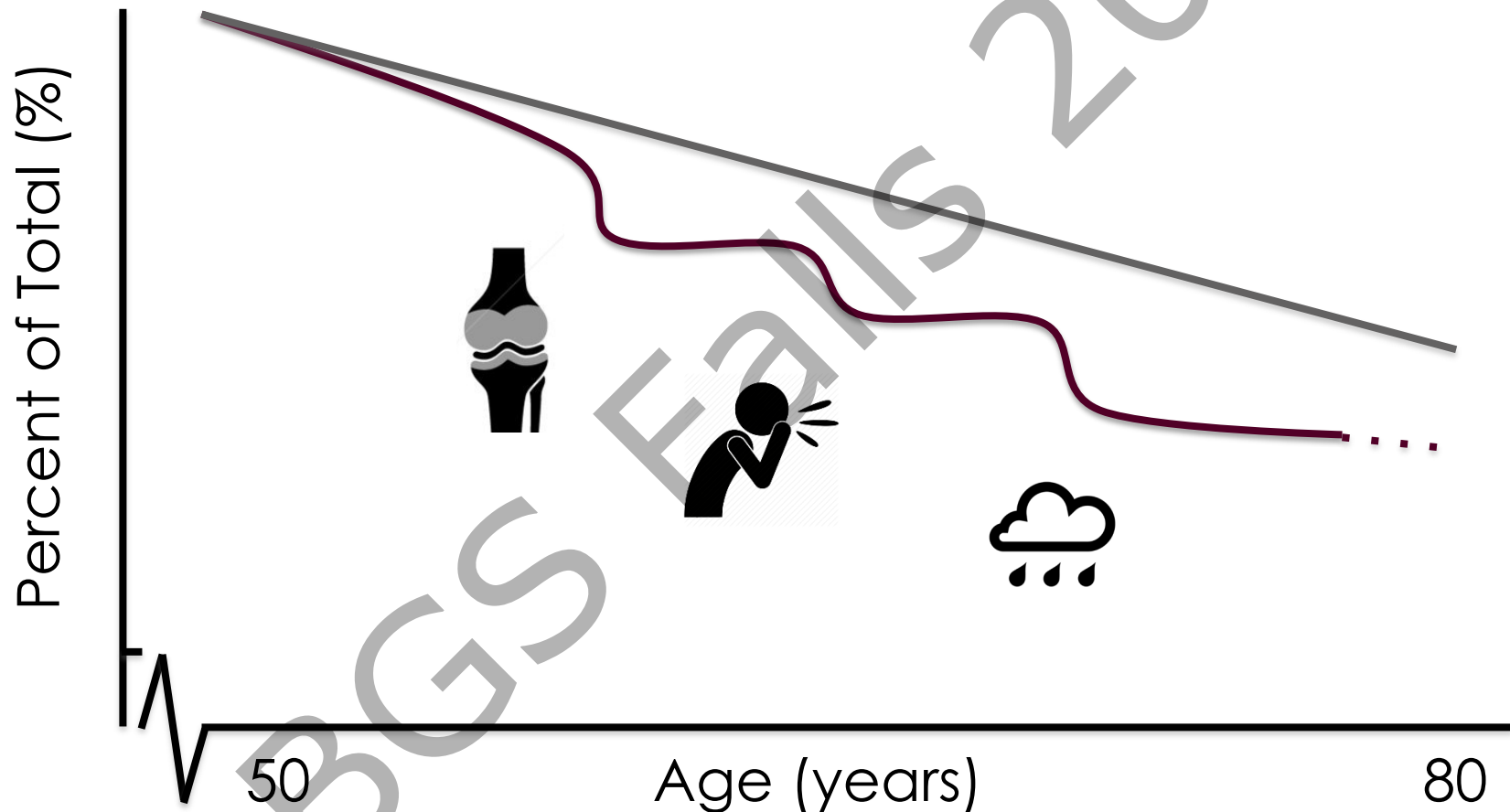
↓ Leg lean mass



↓ Strength



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Resistance exercise improves muscle mass, strength and physical performance in older adults

Med Sci Sports Exerc. 2011 Feb;43(2):249-58. doi: 10.1249/MSS.0b013e3181eb6265.

Influence of resistance exercise on lean body mass in aging adults: a meta-analysis.

Peterson MD¹, Sen A, Gordon PM.

Ageing Res Rev. 2010 Jul;9(3):226-37. doi: 10.1016/j.arr.2010.03.004. Epub 2010 Apr 10.

Resistance exercise for muscular strength in older adults: a meta-analysis.

Peterson MD¹, Rhea MR, Sen A, Gordon PM.

Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2009 Jul 8;(3):CD002759. doi: 10.1002/14651858.CD002759.pub2.

Progressive resistance strength training for improving physical function in older adults.

Liu CJ¹, Latham NK.

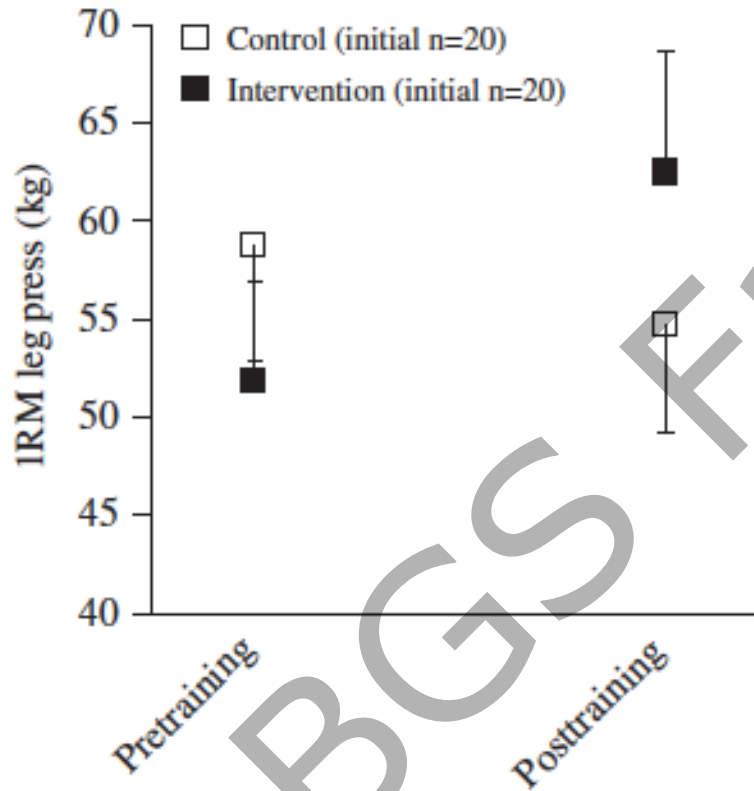
Disabil Rehabil. 2011;33(2):87-97. doi: 10.3109/09638288.2010.487145. Epub 2010 May 17.

Can progressive resistance strength training reduce physical disability in older adults? A meta-analysis study.

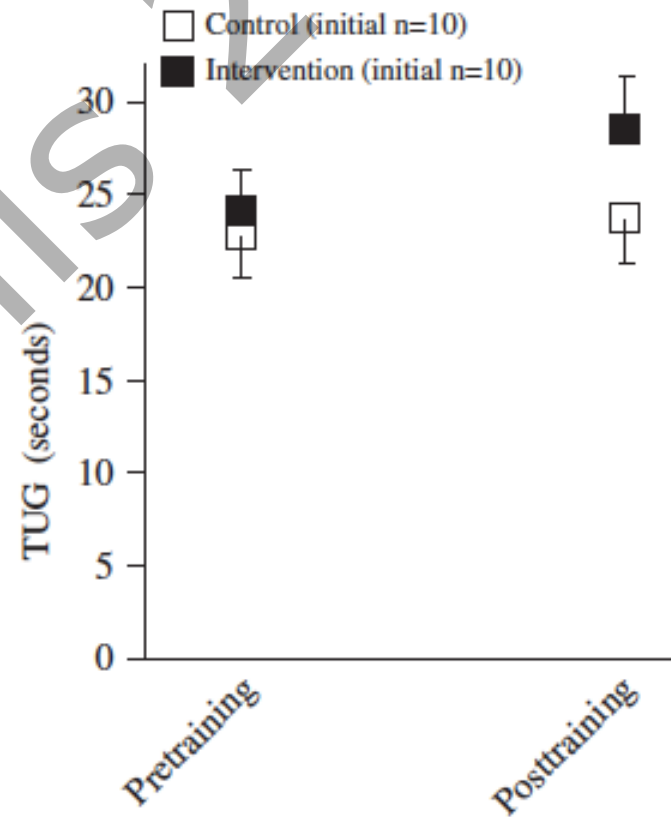
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Resistance exercise works, even in the oldest old

Leg strength



Timed up and go



Resistance exercise to **treat** sarcopenia?

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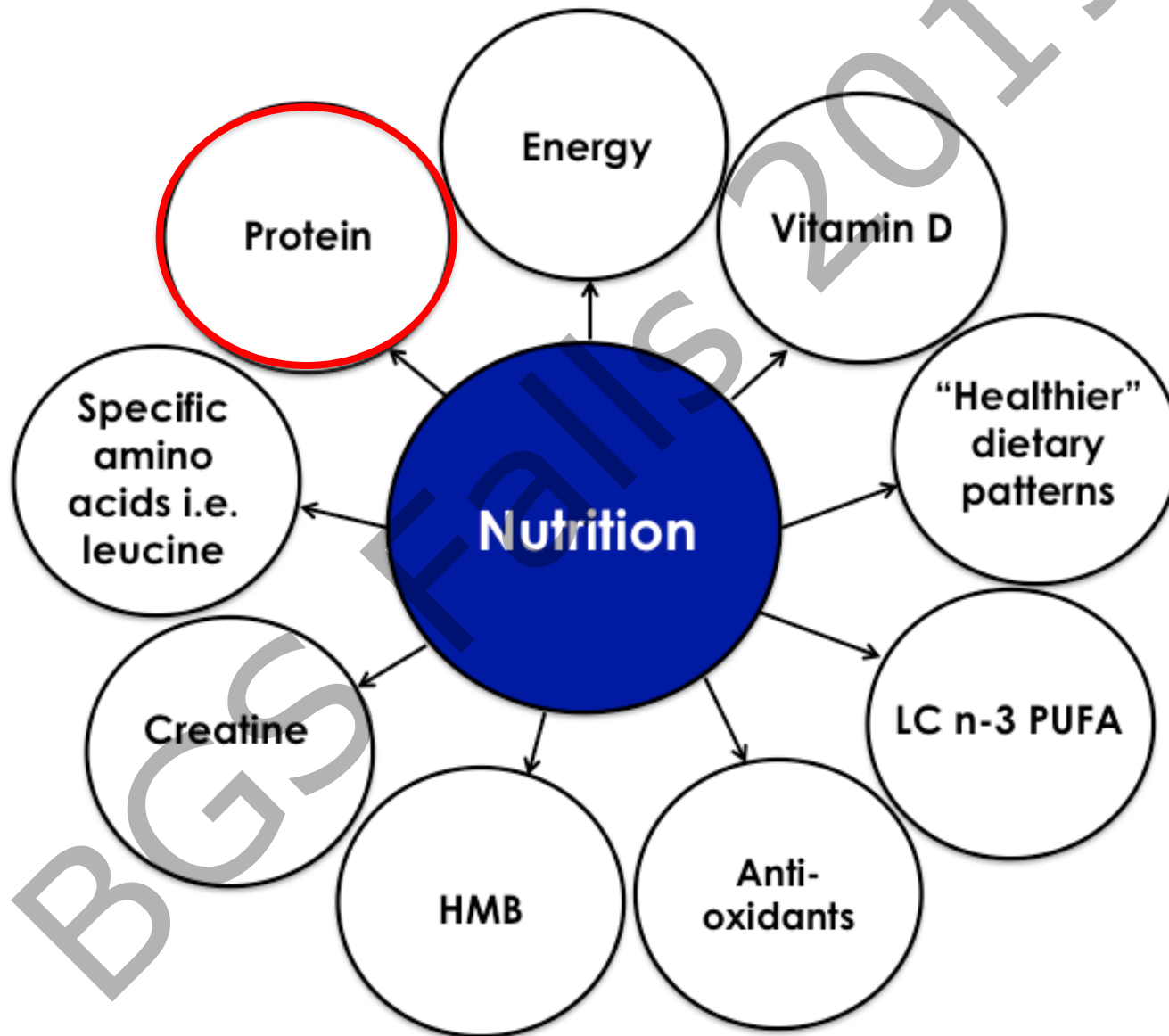
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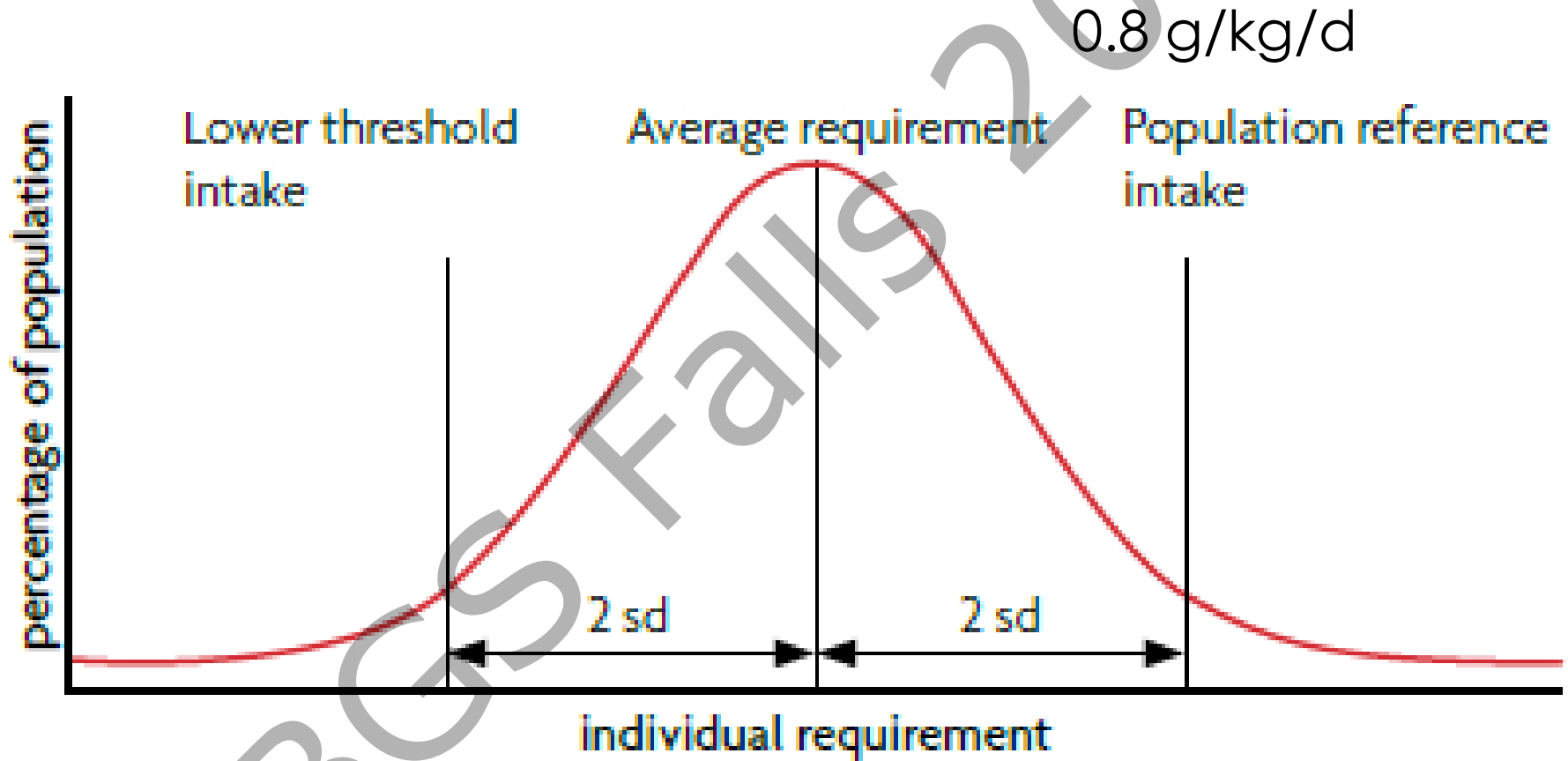
Recommendation 3: Physical Activity (Resistance-Based Training)

In patients with sarcopenia, prescription of resistance-based training can be effective to improve muscle strength, skeletal muscle mass and physical function. (Grade: strong recommendation, moderate certainty of evidence)

Nutrition and sarcopenia



Dietary protein: Recommended Daily Allowance (RDA)

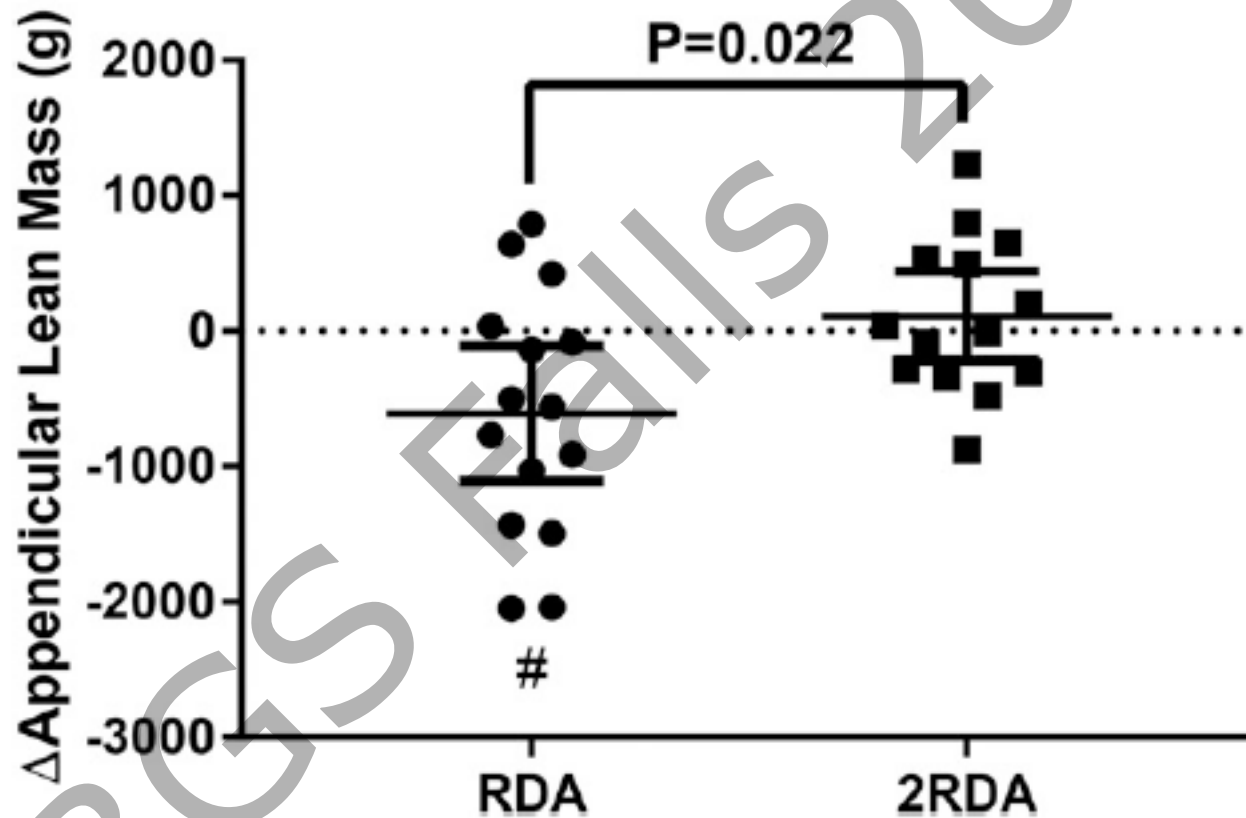


Dietary protein intake and MPS dose response

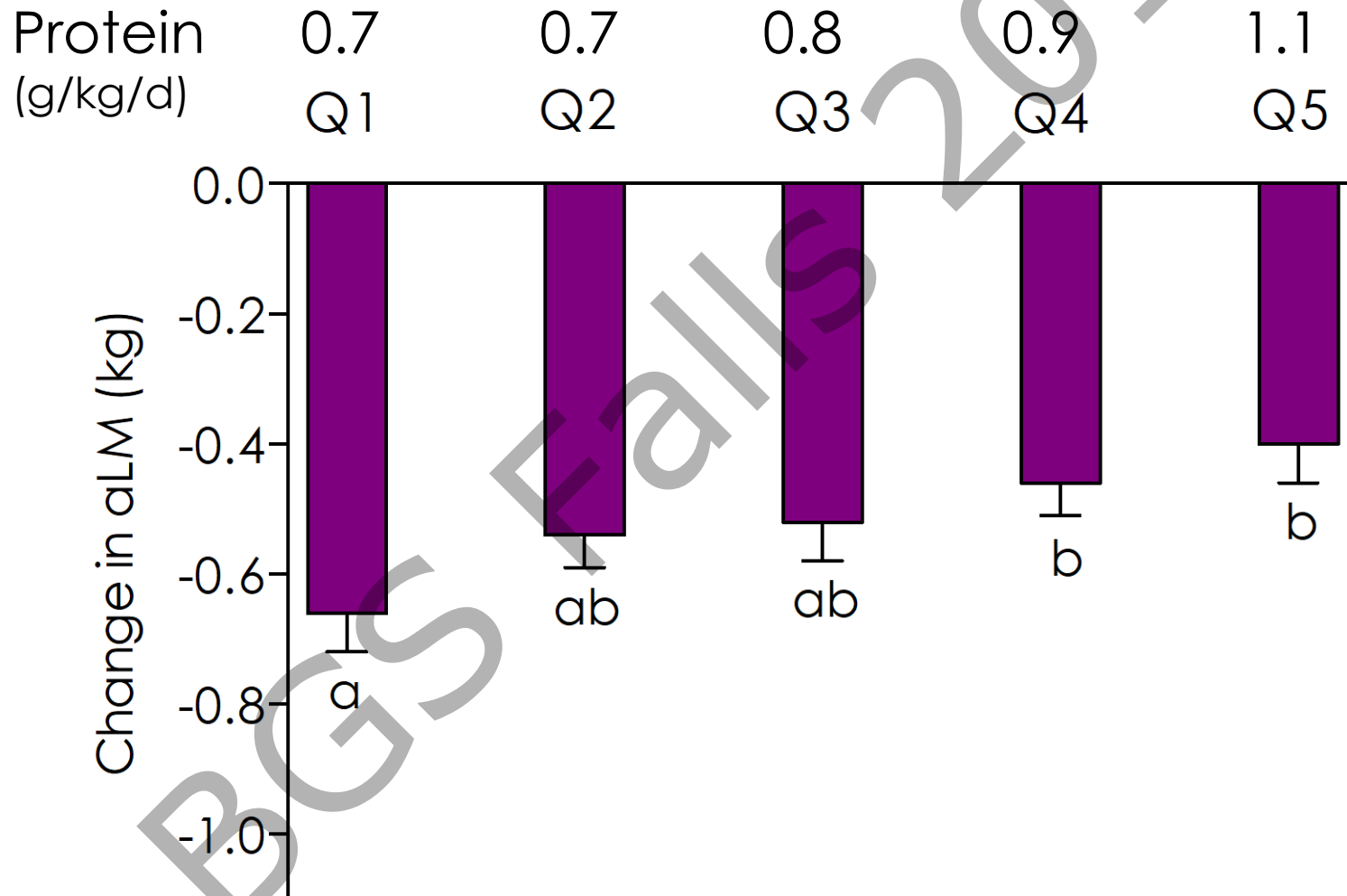


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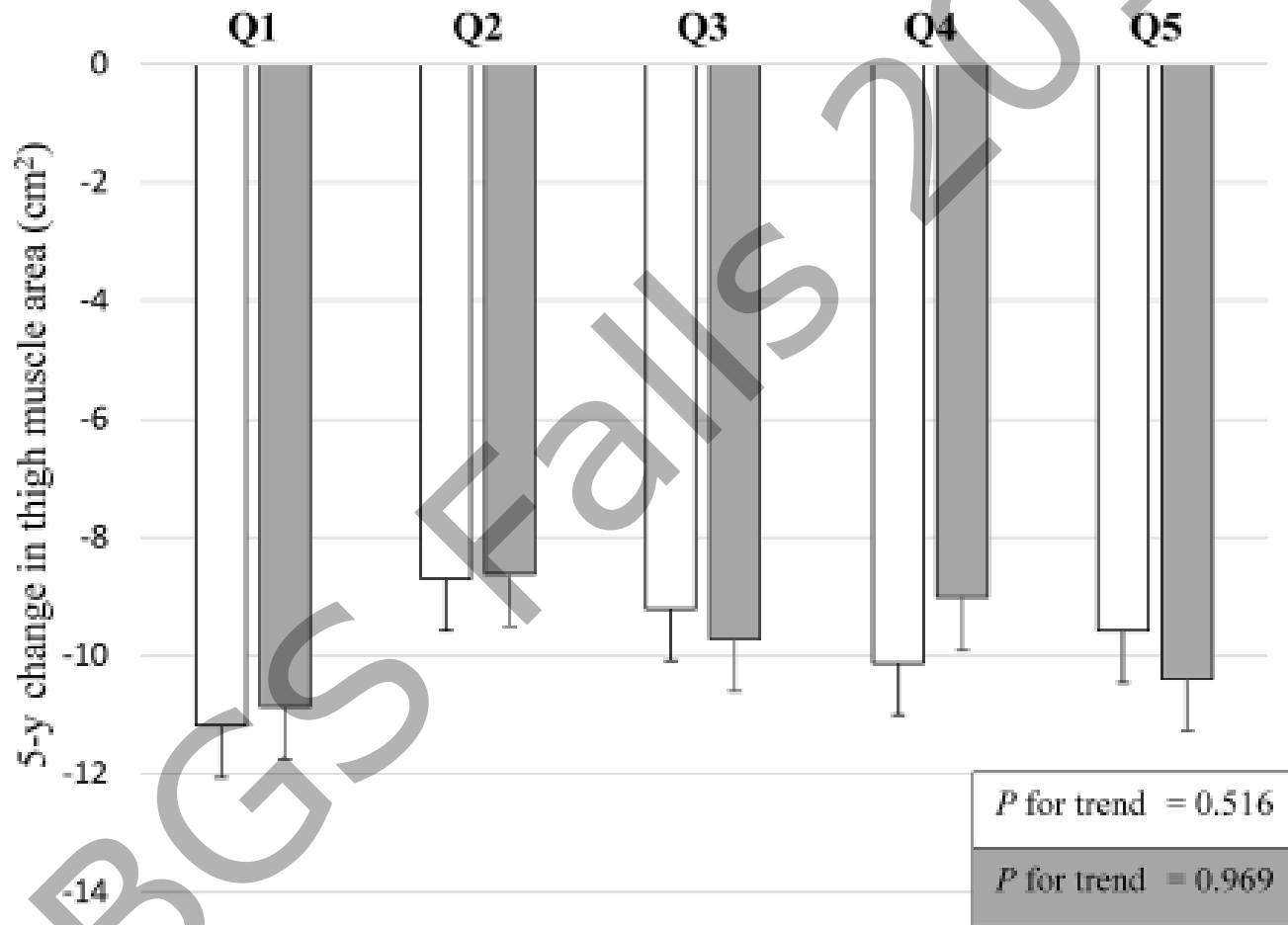
RCT: 10-wk consuming RDA (0.8 g protein/kg/d) resulted in appendicular lean mass loss in older adults



Observational study: Older adults consuming higher protein intakes lost less lean mass over 3-y follow-up



Observational study: Protein intake not associated with 5-y change in mid-thigh muscle cross-sectional area by CT in older adults



Special Article

Evidence-Based Recommendations for Optimal Dietary Protein Intake in Older People: A Position Paper From the PROT-AGE Study Group

Jürgen Bauer MD^{a,*}, Gianni Biolo MD, PhD^b, Tommy Cederholm MD, PhD^c, Matteo Cesari MD, PhD^d, Alfonso J. Cruz-Jentoft MD^e, John E. Morley MB, BCh^f, Stuart Phillips PhD^g, Cornel Sieber MD, PhD^h, Peter Stehle MD, PhDⁱ, Daniel Teta MD, PhD^j, Renuka Visvanathan MBBS, PhD^k, Elena Volpi MD, PhD^l, Yves Boirie MD, PhD^m

1.0 – 1.2 g protein/kg/d in healthy older adults
1.2 – 1.5 g protein/kg/d acute or chronic illness
1.5 – 2.0 protein g/kg/d severe illness/injury/malnutrition

ESPEN endorsed recommendation

Protein intake and exercise for optimal muscle function with aging: Recommendations from the ESPEN Expert Group



Nicolaas E.P. Deutz^{a,*}, Jürgen M. Bauer^b, Rocco Barazzoni^c, Gianni Biolo^c, Yves Boirie^d, Anja Bosy-Westphal^e, Tommy Cederholm^{f,g}, Alfonso Cruz-Jentoft^h, Zeljko Krznarićⁱ, K. Sreekumaran Nair^j, Pierre Singer^k, Daniel Teta^l, Kevin Tipton^m, Philip C. Calder^{n,o}

Dietary protein in **treatment** of sarcopenia?

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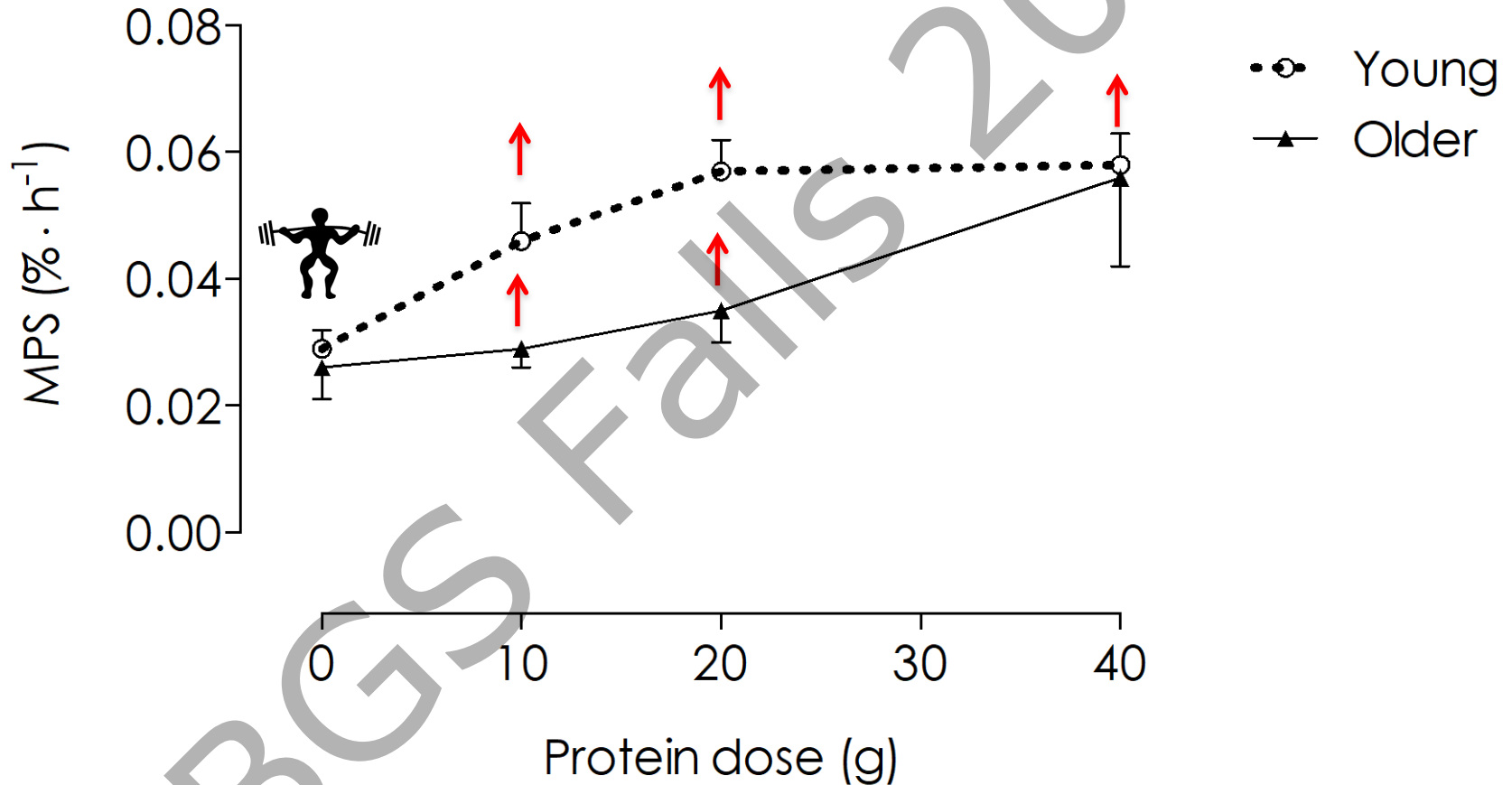
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Recommendation 4: Protein Supplementation

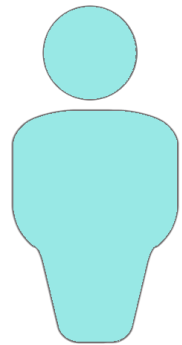
We recommend that clinicians consider protein supplementation/a protein-rich diet for older adults with sarcopenia (Grade: conditional recommendation; low certainty of evidence)

Resistance exercise **sensitises** muscle to protein intake



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Higher protein intake during resistance training in older adults

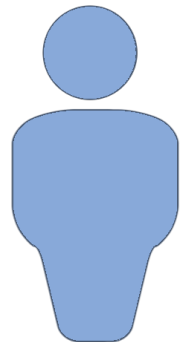


n = 47



4 months

1.1 g protein/kg/d



n = 53



1.3 g protein/kg/d



Combined dietary protein and resistance training in **treatment** of sarcopenia

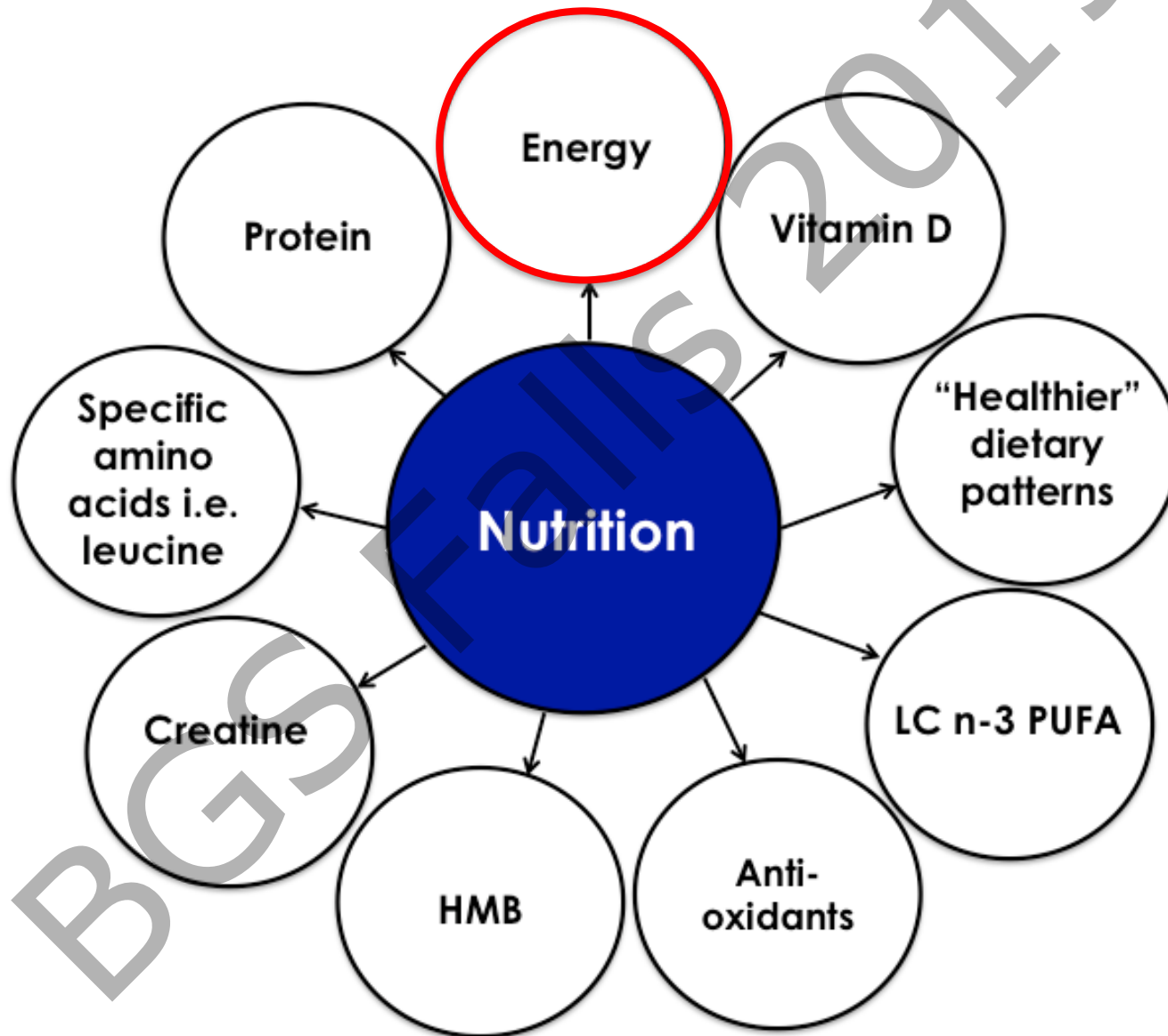
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Nutritional (protein) intervention should be combined with a physical activity intervention (Grade: conditional, low certainty of evidence)

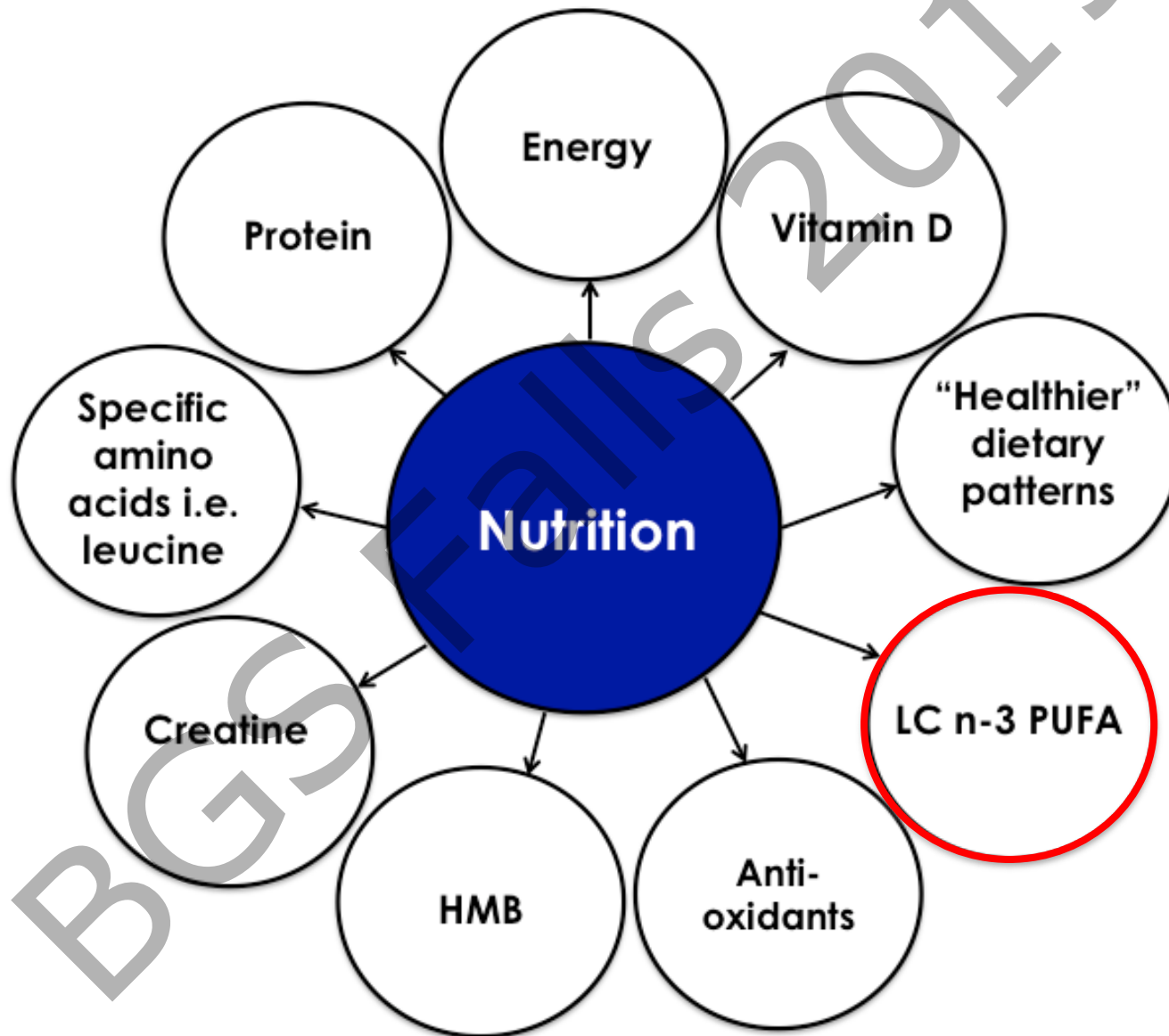
Nutrition and sarcopenia



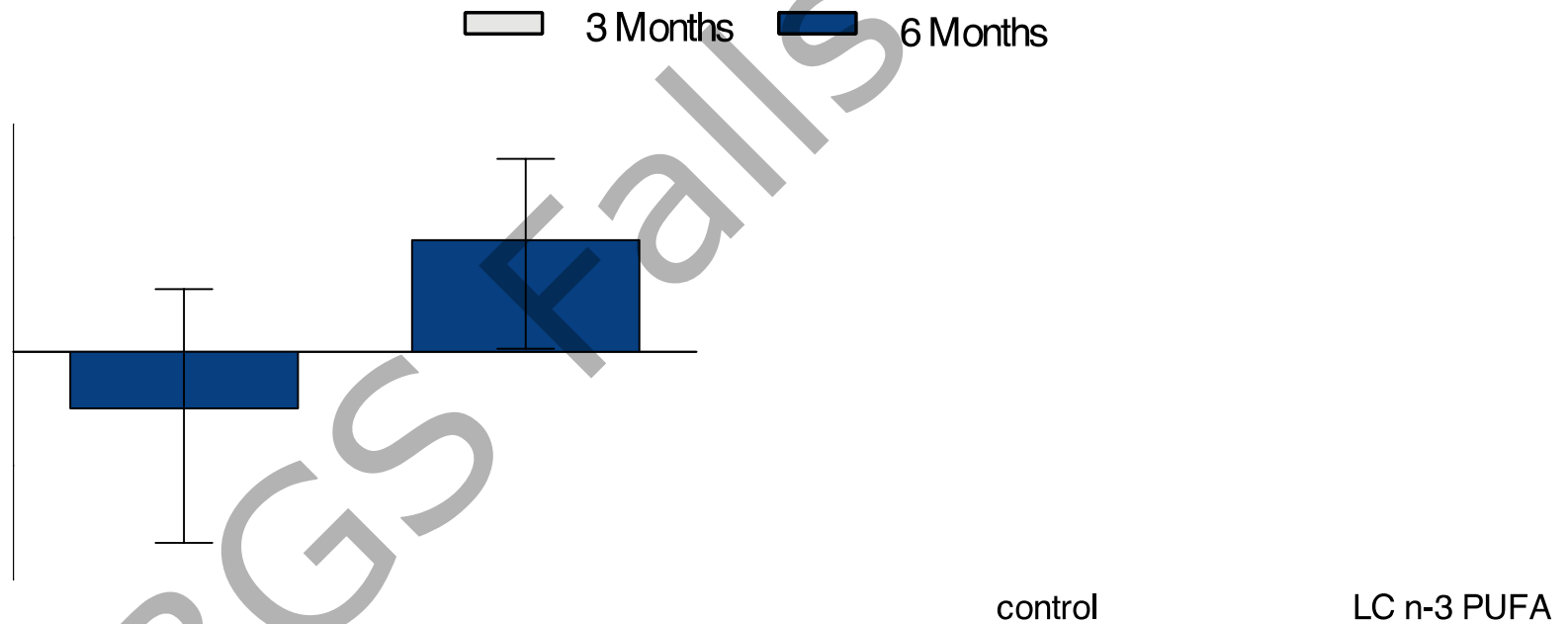
Energy intake and sarcopenia



Nutrition and sarcopenia

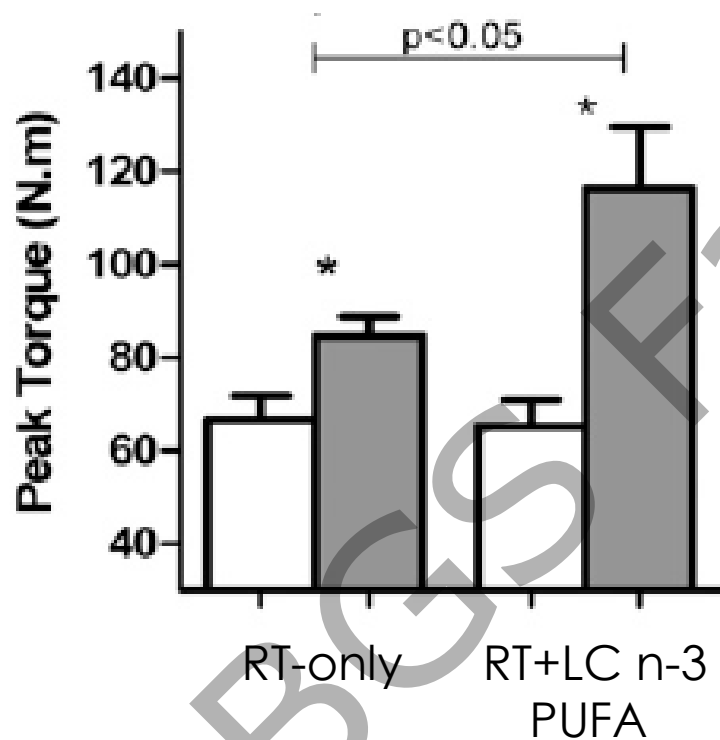


RCT: **LC n-3 PUFA** improves muscle mass, strength and function in sedentary older adults

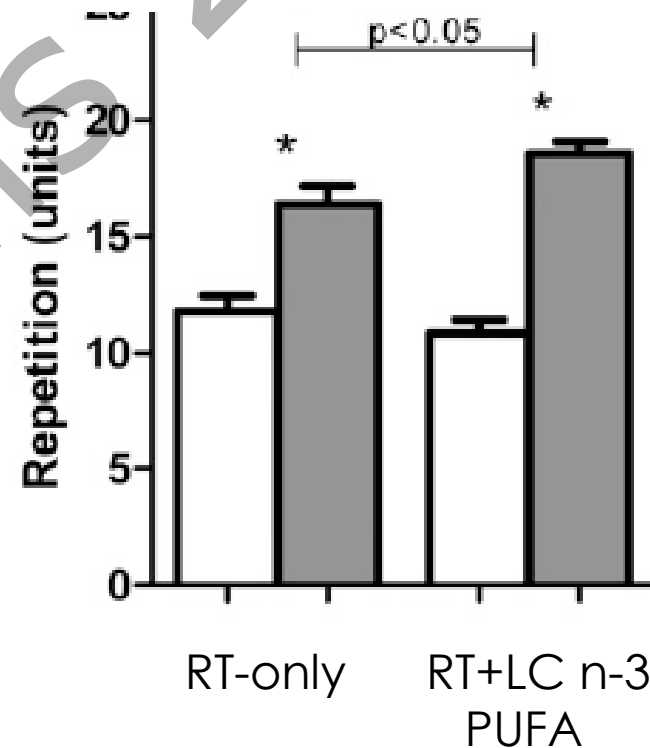


Randomised trial: **LC n-3 PUFA** improves RT-induced gains in strength and function in older women

Knee extensor peak torque



Chair-rise repetitions



NUTRIMAL nutrition intervention study



Placebo



Leucine-enriched Protein



+ **LEU PepForm™**
Leucine Peptides

Leucine-enriched Protein
+ LC n-3 PUFA

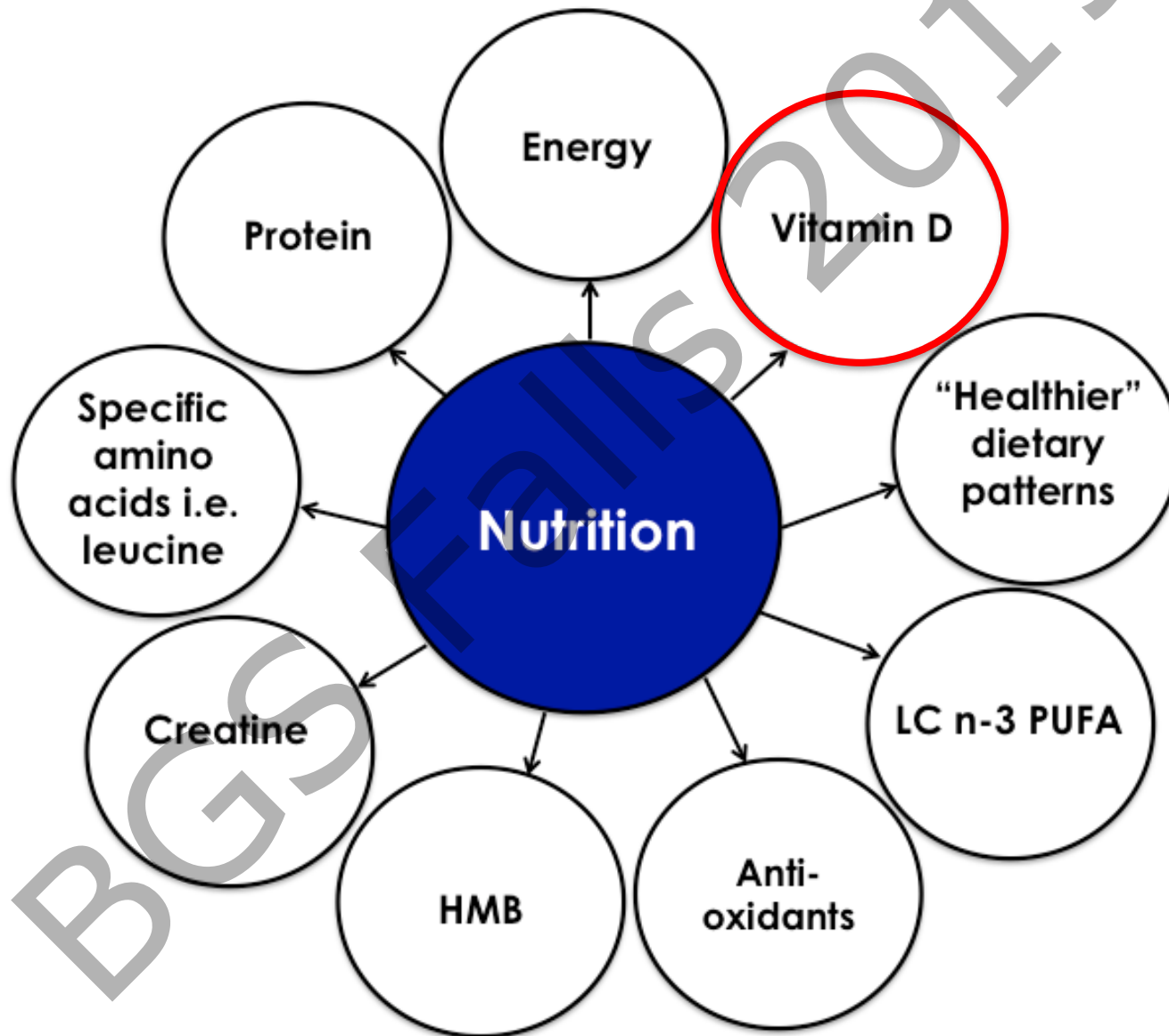


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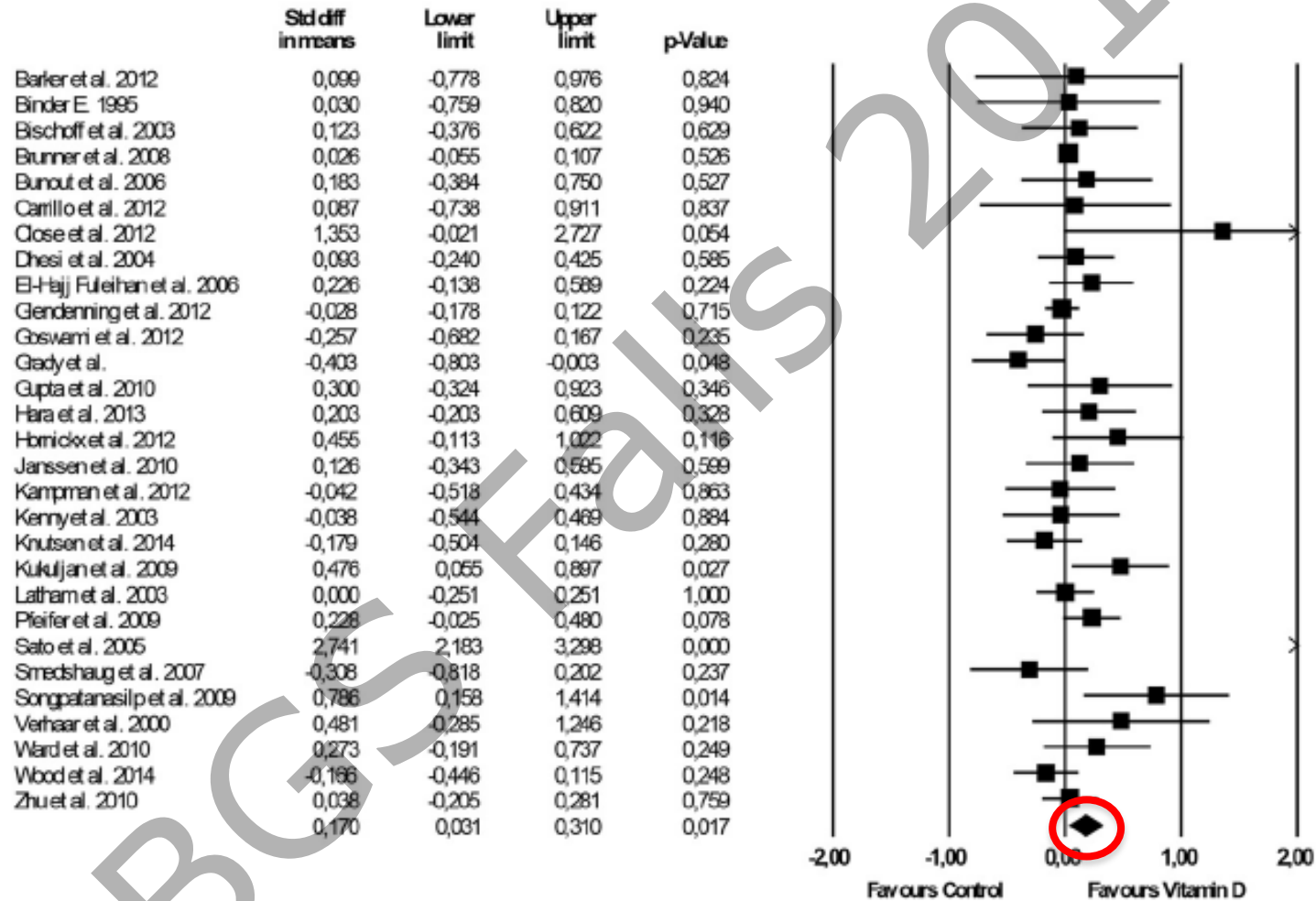


Murphy et al. unpublished

Nutrition and sarcopenia



Meta-analysis: vitamin D supplementation improves strength



Vitamin D to **treat** sarcopenia?

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Recommendation 5: Vitamin D

Insufficient evidence exists to determine whether a Vitamin D supplementation regime by itself is effective in older adults with sarcopenia (Grade: no recommendation; very low certainty of evidence)

Take home points

- Resistance training is the most effective strategy to prevent and treat sarcopenia
 - Strong recommendation ICFSR
- Periods of inactivity may contribute to the development and progression of sarcopenia
 - Physical activity levels decline dramatically during hospitalisation
- Aim for energy balance (unless weight loss intentional)



Take home points

- Adequate protein intake essential for prevention and treatment of sarcopenia
 - Combine with physical activity
- Emerging evidence for role of LC n-3 PUFA and adequate vitamin D
- The quality of supporting evidence for the management of sarcopenia was low
 - Research needed!



A black and white photograph of Jack LaLanne, a fitness icon, smiling and flexing his biceps. He is wearing a light-colored zip-up jacket with dark patches on the chest, one of which features a stylized 'LL' logo. The background shows gym equipment. A large, semi-transparent watermark 'BodyBalls 2019' is oriented diagonally across the image.

***"Exercise is king. Nutrition is queen. Put them together
and you've got a kingdom."***

Jack LaLanne

Thank
you!

