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SPRINTT: operazionalizzazione della fragilità

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Problem statement

- ✓ Frailty is an Unmet Medical Need of Older Patients
- ✓ Frailty is a candidate for integrated therapeutic/preventive interventions
- ✓ Frailty/Sarcopenia are an opportunity to develop Innovative Treatments

A private - public partnership – will be a good approach to answer these complex questions



“Developing innovative therapeutic interventions against physical frailty and sarcopenia (ITI-PF&S) as a prototype geriatric indication”



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Developing innovative therapeutic interventions against physical frailty and sarcopenia (ITI-PF&S) as a prototype geriatric indication



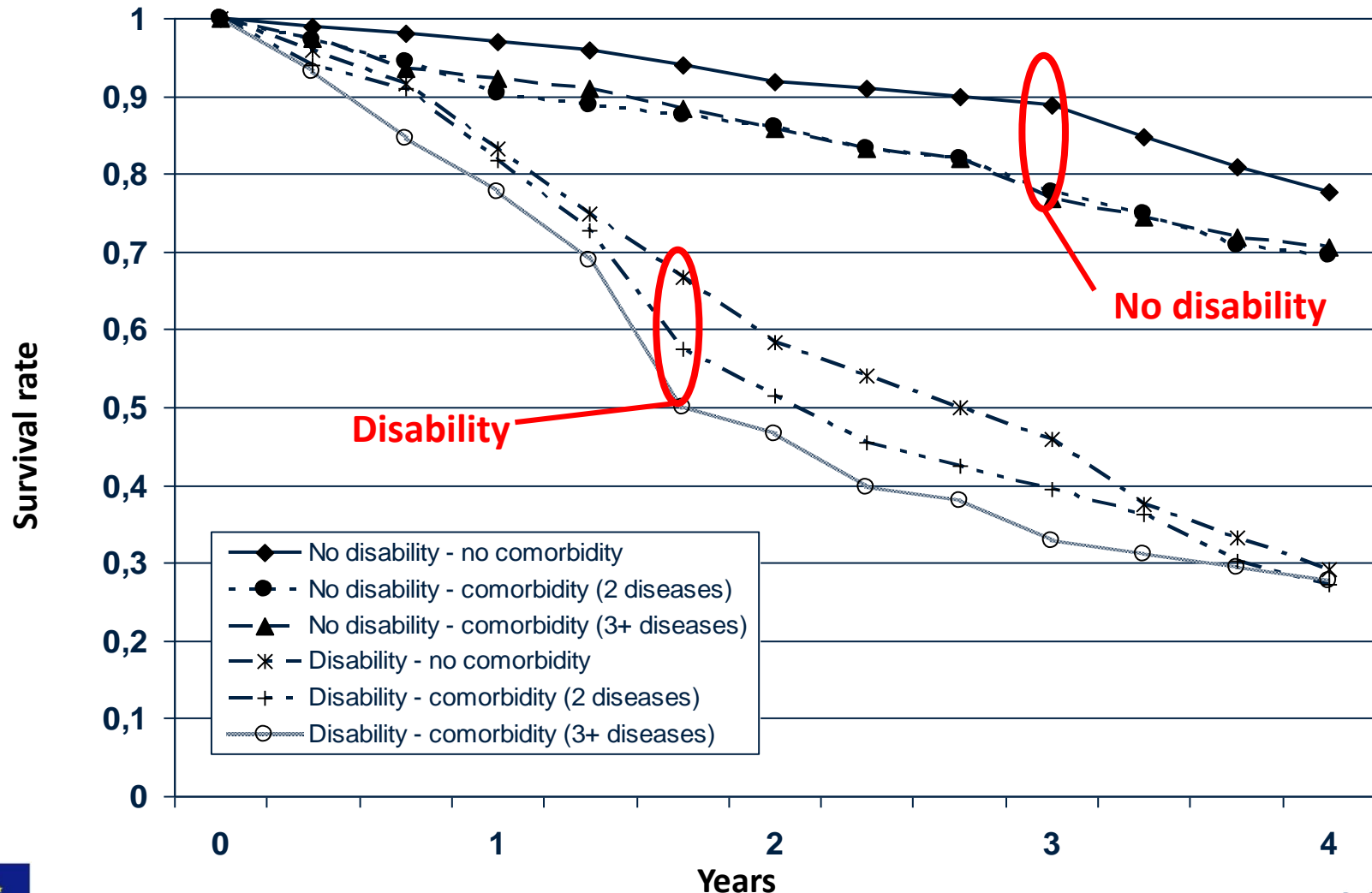
- The SPRINTT project was designed in response to the IMI 9th Call for proposals launched in 2013
- Broadly, SPRINTT is geared to:
 - ✓ Provide a clear **operationalization** of the presently vague concept of frailty
 - ✓ Identify a precise **target population** of older persons at risk of disability, whose medical needs are presently unmet
 - ✓ Evaluate the effectiveness of a **multicomponent intervention** at preventing (mobility) disability in such population
 - ✓ Identify and validate diagnostic and **prognostic biomarkers** for physical frailty & sarcopenia

Identifying an at-risk older population

- The functional capacity of an older person is highly predictive of many important health outcomes (e.g., morbidity, loss of independence, falls, nursing home admission, mortality).
- Physical function impairment is the unique core output of frailty and sarcopenia, regardless of the operational definition(s) considered.
- The progression of frailty and sarcopenia is marked by increased morbidity, disability, frequent and often inappropriate healthcare use, nursing home admission, and poor quality of life.



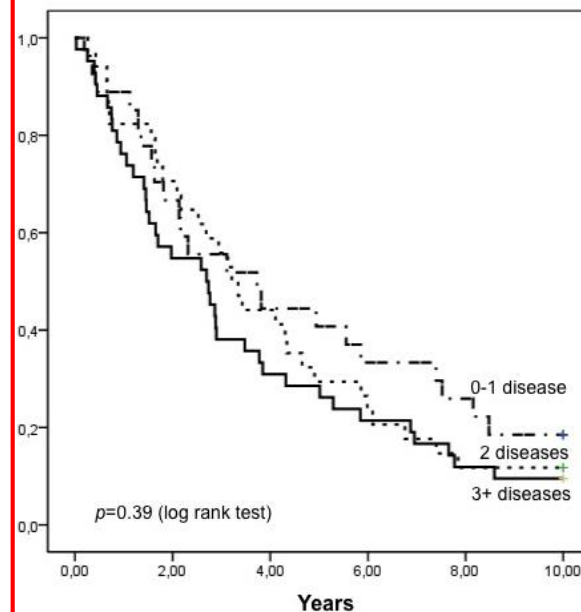
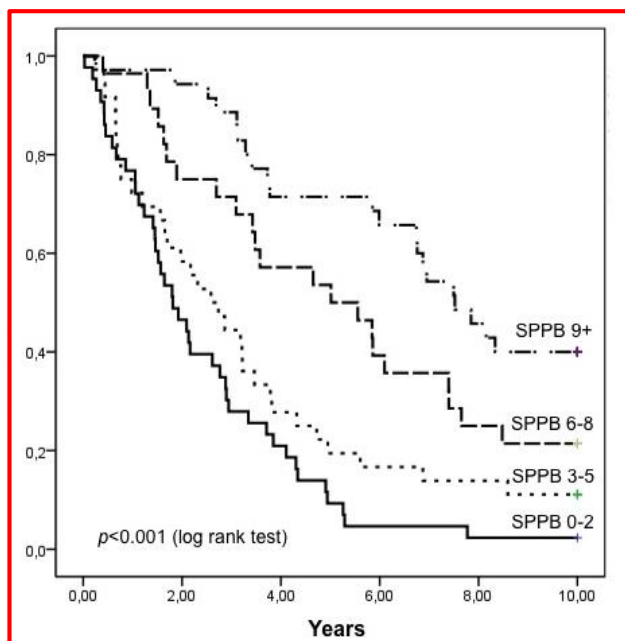
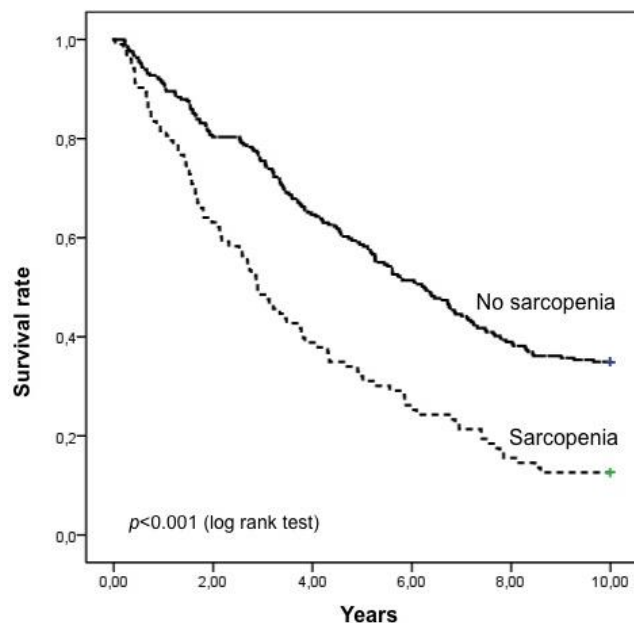
Disability, more than multimorbidity, predicts mortality in advanced age



Landi et al., J Clin Epidemiol 2010

Impact of physical function impairment and multimorbidity on mortality among community-living older persons with sarcopenia: results from the *ILSIRENTE* prospective cohort study

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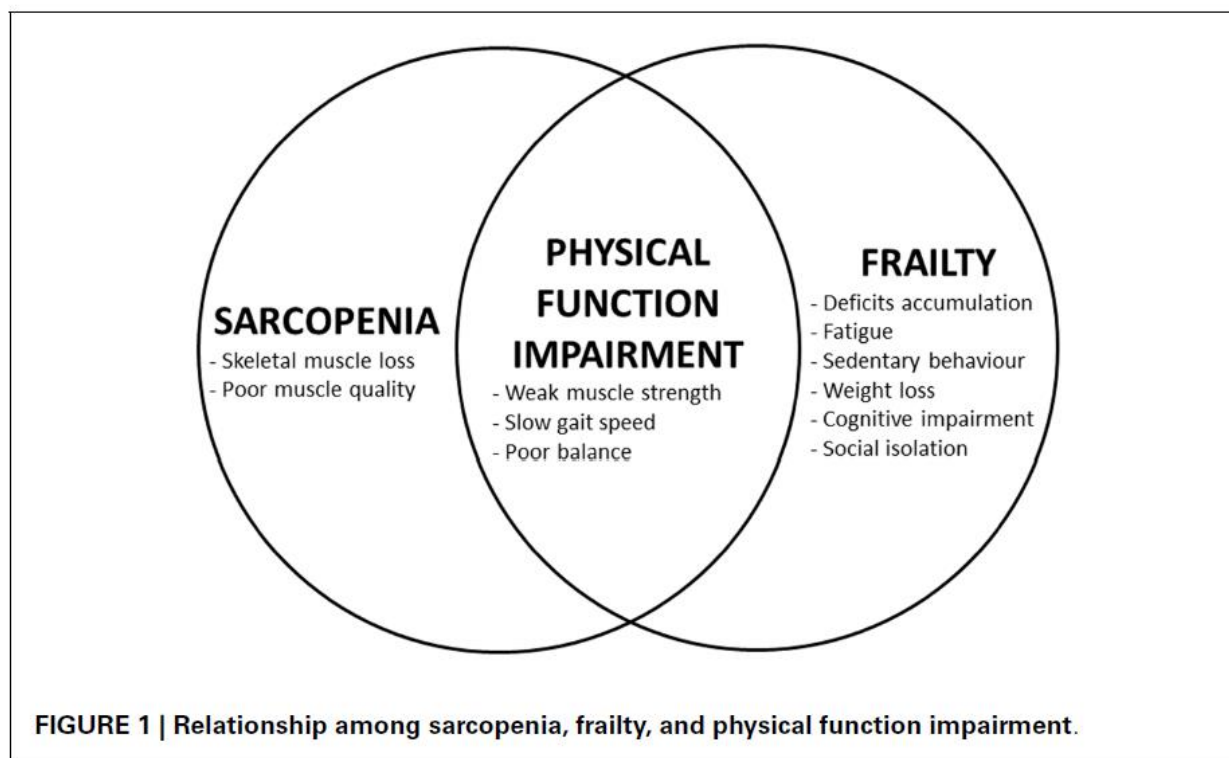


Identifying an at-risk older population: operationalization of frailty



Sarcopenia and physical frailty: two sides of the same coin

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Sarcopenia as the Biological Substrate of Physical Frailty

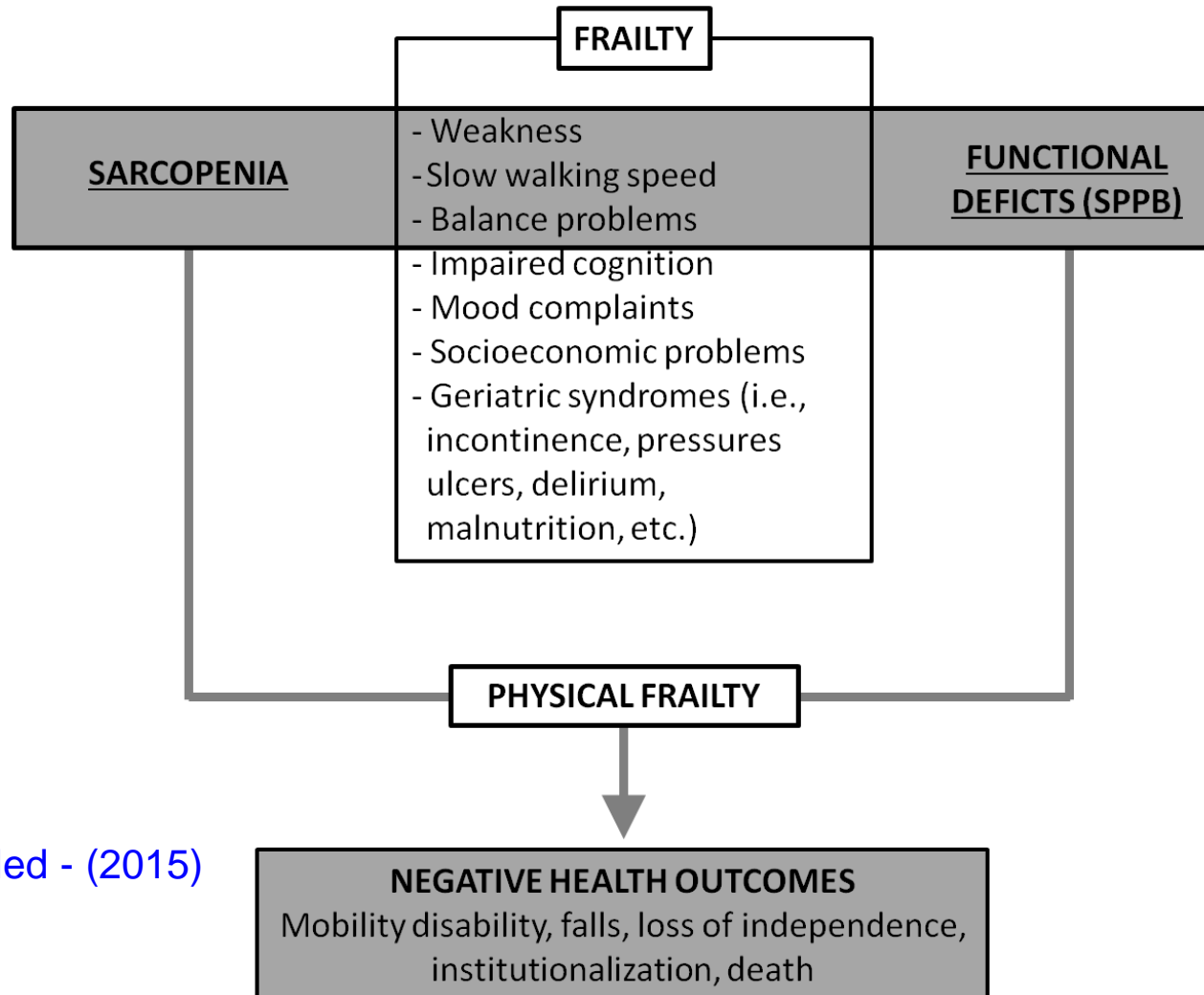
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Identifying an at-risk older population



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Identifying an at-risk older population

The target population will be comprised of individuals with target organ damage (low muscle mass), specific clinical phenotype, and impaired physical performance

Table 1

Conceptual framework of physical therapy and sarcopenia—resemblance to common conditions of advanced age

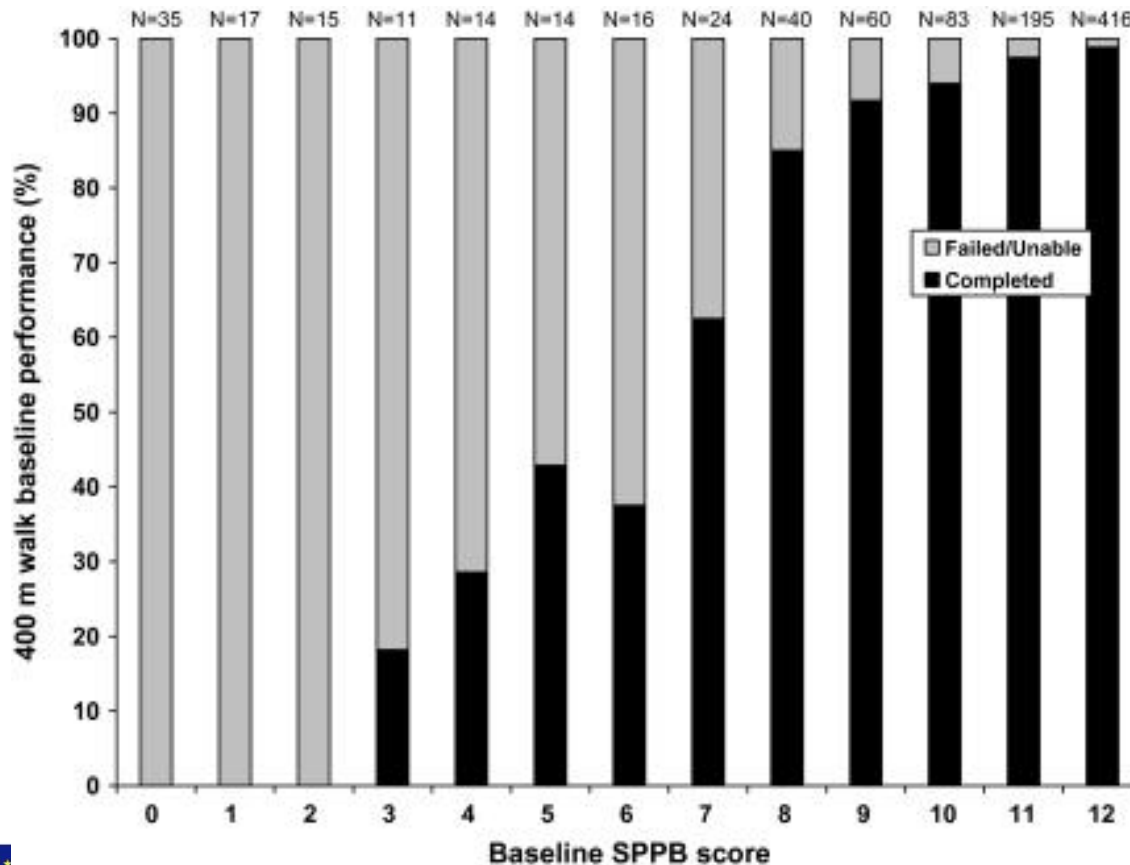
Condition	Measurable Biological Substrate	Measurable Clinical Manifestations	Measurable Function
CHF	Myocardial dysfunction (echocardiography)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shortness of breath • Fatigue 	6-min walking test
COPD	Airways destructive changes (spirometry)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dyspnoea • Cough • Sputum 	6-min walking test
PAD	Arterial stenosis (Doppler echocardiography)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermittent claudication • Numbness • Ulcers 	Treadmill walking distance
PF&S	Reduced muscle mass (DXA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slow walking speed • Poor balance • Weakness 	SPPB

Setting the SPPB range

- The identification of physically frail/sarcopenic older persons with unmet medical needs will rely on 3 key elements:
 1. Target organ deterioration (i.e., low muscle mass as measured by DXA = **sarcopenia**)
 2. Clinical signs and symptoms of **physical frailty** (i.e., weakness, slow walking speed and poor balance) objectively measured through the SPPB and corresponding to a summary score between 3 and 7
 3. Ability to complete the **400-m walk** test at usual pace within 15 minutes

Setting the SPPB range

Four hundred-metre walk baseline completion by SPPB score. Older people with SPPB < 3 are unable to complete the test



- Older adults scoring 10+ on the SPPB are commonly considered high-functioning (Guralnik et al., J Gerontol 1994)
- A cut-off of 9 in the SPPB has good sensitivity and specificity in discriminating frail from non-frail older adults (da Câmara et al., JAGS 2013)

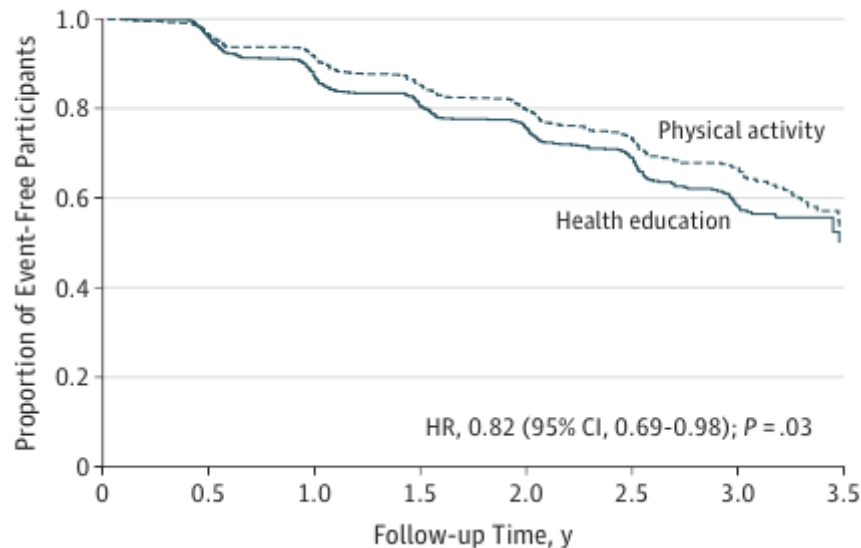
Original Investigation

Effect of Structured Physical Activity on Prevention of Major Mobility Disability in Older Adults

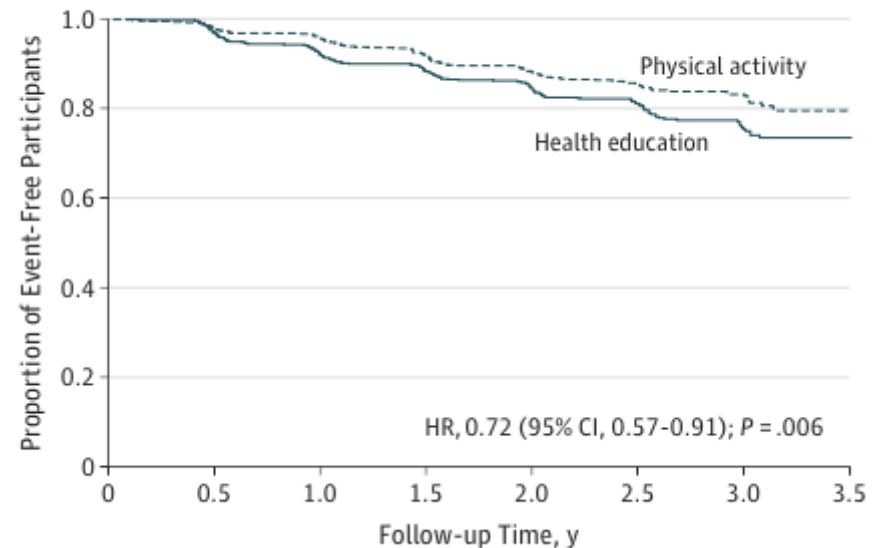
The LIFE Study Randomized Clinical Trial

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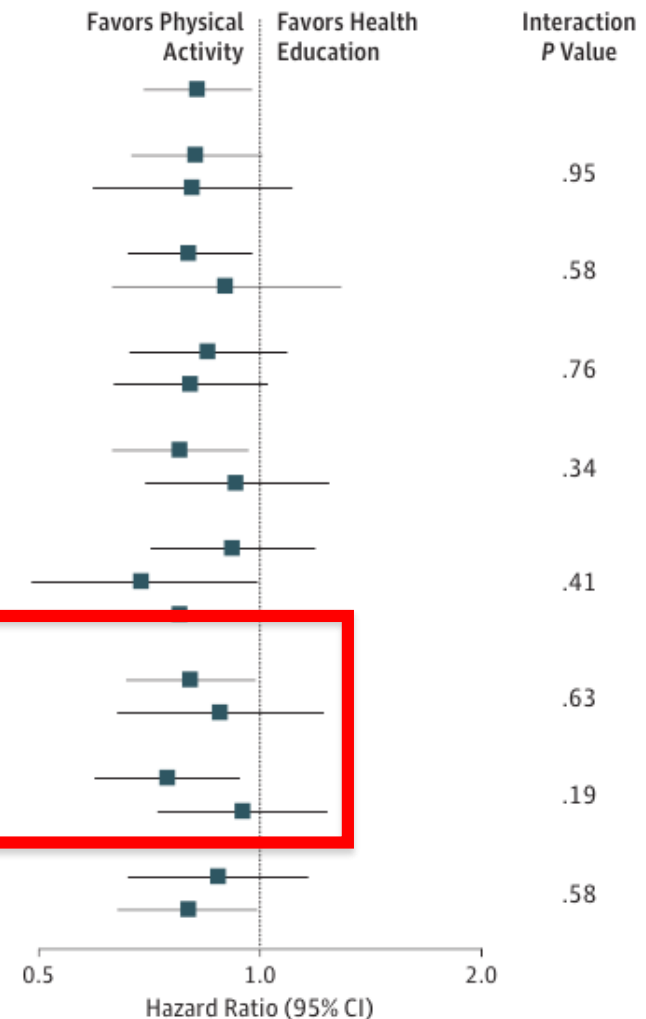
Major mobility disability



Persistent mobility disability



Subgroup	Physical Activity		Health Education		Hazard Ratio (95% CI)
	Events, No.	Total Participants	Events, No.	Total Participants	
Overall	246	818	290	817	0.82 (0.69-0.98)
Sex					
Women	171	547	204	551	0.82 (0.67-1.01)
Men	75	271	86	266	0.81 (0.59-1.11)
Ethnicity/race					
Non-Hispanic white	182	604	234	635	0.80 (0.66-0.98)
Other	64	211	56	180	0.90 (0.63-1.29)
Age, y					
70-79	123	477	138	455	0.85 (0.67-1.09)
≥80	123	341	152	362	0.81 (0.63-1.03)
History of CVD					
No CVD	155	582	187	563	0.78 (0.63-0.97)
CVD	91	236	103	254	0.93 (0.70-1.24)
History of diabetes					
None	114	406	126	414	0.92 (0.71-1.19)
Impaired fasting glucose	59	192	68	165	0.69 (0.49-0.99)
Diabetes	73	230	86	233	0.78 (0.57-1.06)
Gait speed					
<0.8 m/s	173	485	210	508	0.81 (0.66-0.99)
≥0.8 m/s	73	333	80	309	0.88 (0.64-1.22)
SPPB					
<8	135	353	177	378	0.75 (0.60-0.94)
8 or 9	111	465	113	439	0.95 (0.73-1.23)
MMSE (post hoc)					
<90	95	261	108	261	0.88 (0.66-1.16)
≥90	151	557	182	556	0.80 (0.64-0.99)



ROBUSTNESS

SPPB $\geq 10/12$

No sarcopenia
No mobility disability

*Probable few benefits from
interventions against disability*

Limit posed by the
SPPB impairment



SPPB between 3/12 and 9/12

Sarcopenia
No mobility disability

*Possible interventions for
PREVENTING disability*



SPPB $< 3/12$

Sarcopenia (cachexia?)
Mobility disability

*Possible interventions for
TREATING disability
Exhaustion of endogenous
reserves for restoring robustness*

Limit posed by the
mobility disability



FRAILTY

DISABILITY



Population to treat in SPRINTT

Relevance to future drug trials



- Two potential populations for drug trials:
 - Patients with existing mobility disability and sarcopenia
 - **Patients with sarcopenia but no mobility disability (yet)**
- Prevention of mobility disability is a key public health goal for elderly populations
- Physical activity is expected to be synergistic – and perhaps required – for most drugs in this area/indication to be fully effective
- It seems more difficult to reverse rather than prevent mobility disability
- Therefore, the first point of entry for drug treatment of sarcopenia should be to PREVENT mobility disability
 - The population of patients with sarcopenia but no mobility disability is appropriate
 - 400 m walk test is an appropriate primary endpoint for this population



Clinical Study implementation and Operations



DIAGNOSIS AND CRITERIA FOR SELECTION, EXCLUSION, AND INCLUSION OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE SPRINTT CLINICAL TRIAL



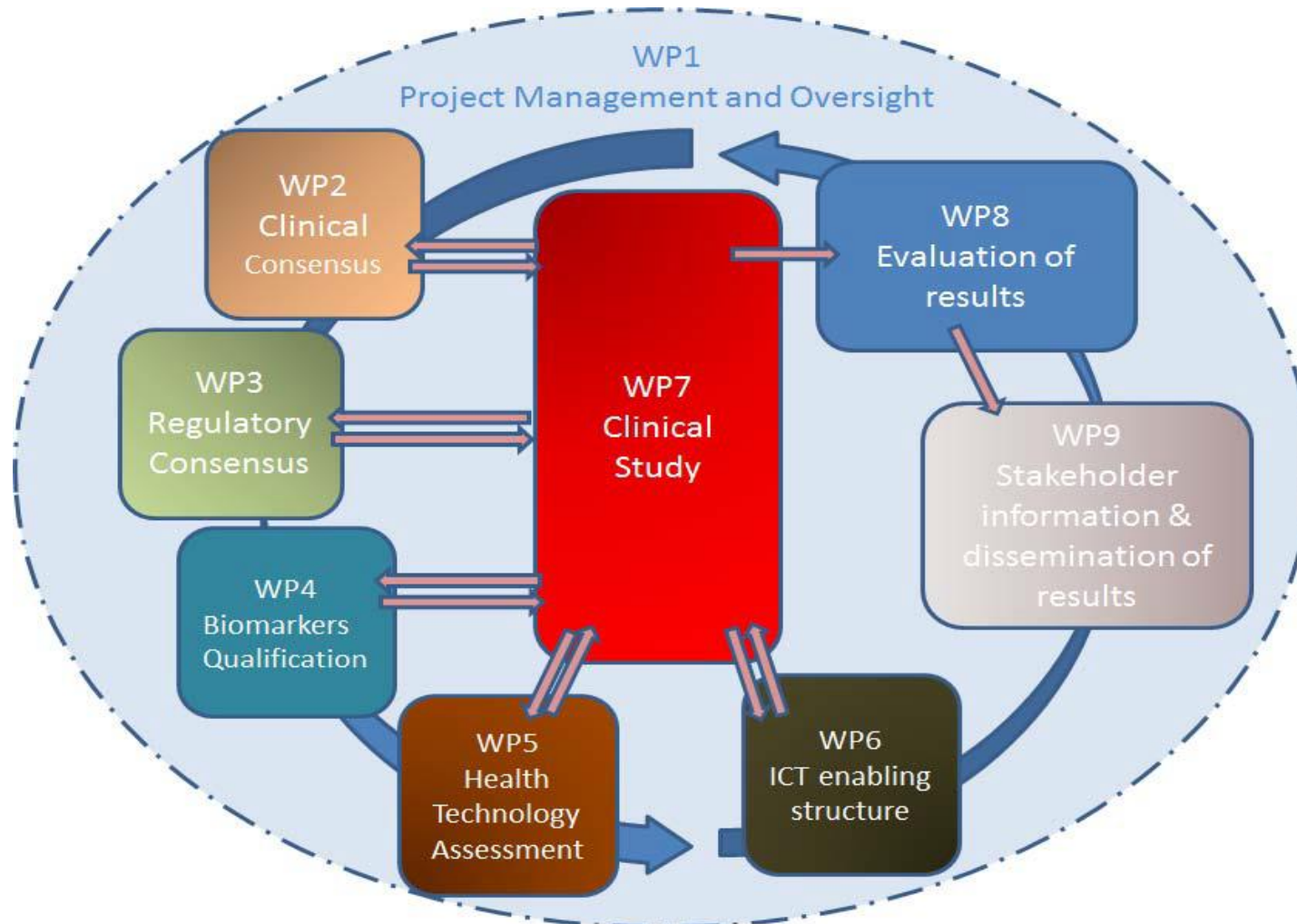
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Clinical Study implementation and Operations

- **1500 patients**
- Patient Follow up : **24 months**
- 14 sites
- 11 European Countries
- 7 regional areas

9 backup sites



Pre-selected study site

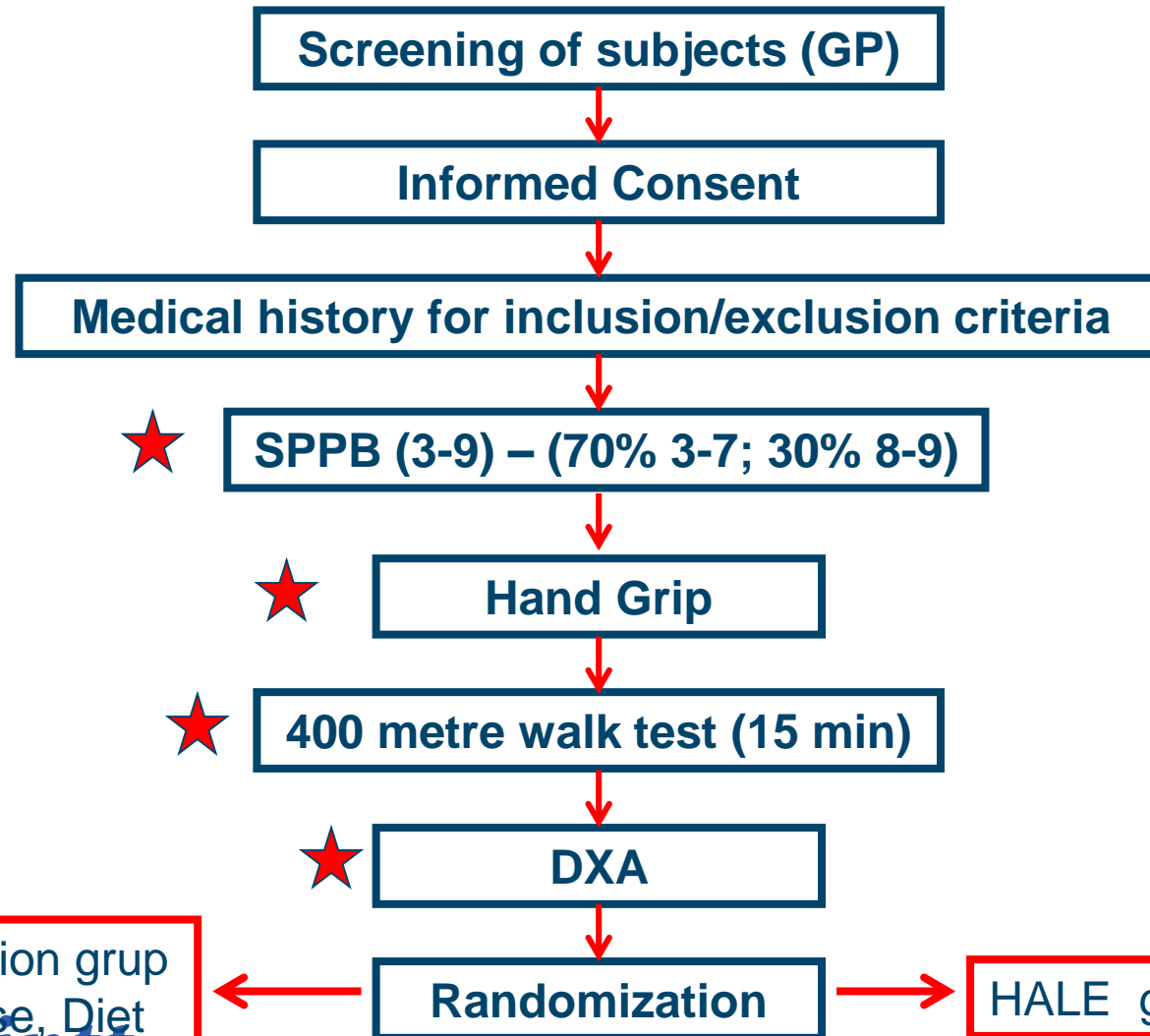


Backup study sites

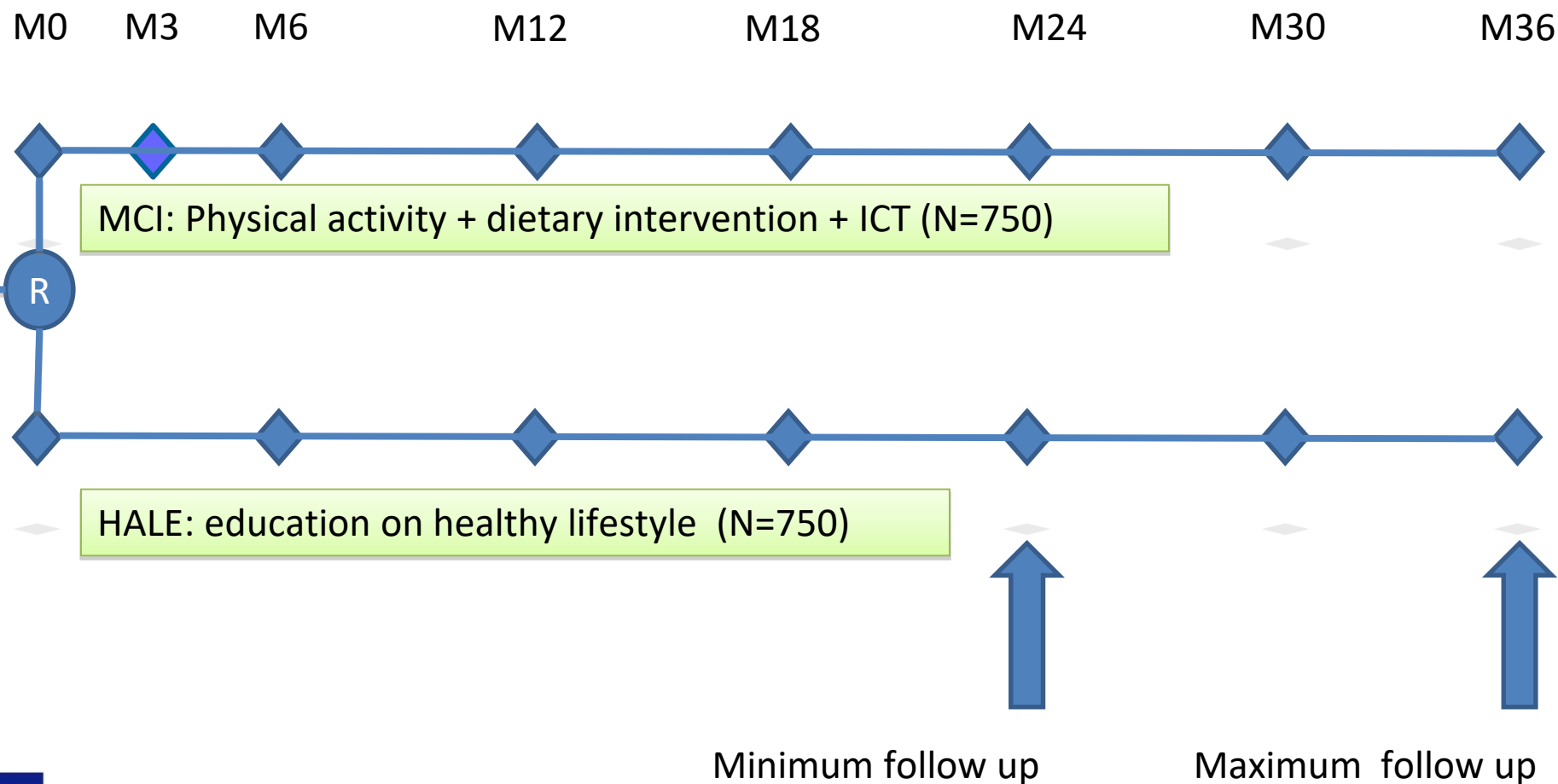


- 1,500 community-dwellers, aged 70+ years
- Low muscle mass (DXA, FNIH)
- SPPB 3-7 (n = 1,200) and 8-9 (n = 300)
- Able to walk 400 metres at usual pace in 15 minutes
- Two treatment arms: multicomponent intervention and successful aging programme

Clinical Study implementation and Operations



SPRINTT RCT chart



Multi-Component Intervention (MCI)



Physical activity intervention

Structured exercise and PA (LIFE study protocol)

Nutritional assessment and dietary intervention

Personalised dietary recommendations

Health technology intervention

Remote monitoring of daily physical activity, walk speed, falls, support for nutritional counselling, reinforcement of intervention compliance

Conclusions

- ✓ **A two-step approach:** initial hypotheses for generating clinical data; refinement of the target population based on results of the randomized clinical trial
- ✓ **Key messages**
 - ✓ Rationale: Prevention of disability in the older people is a key public health goal and fulfills a major unmet medical need
 - ✓ Definition of population: Functionally impaired with target organ deterioration (physical frailty and sarcopenia)
 - ✓ Entry: the proposed eligibility criteria defines a population at high risk of disability but not yet irreversibly disabled
 - ✓ Endpoint: 400 m walk defines mobility disability, predicts broader disability (ADL, IADL) and death
 - ✓ Impact: The population will have direct relevance to drug trials, will define the « comparator » intervention effect size, and will inform how to approach sicker populations as well

Theoretical model of PF&S treatment

Possible future perspectives

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