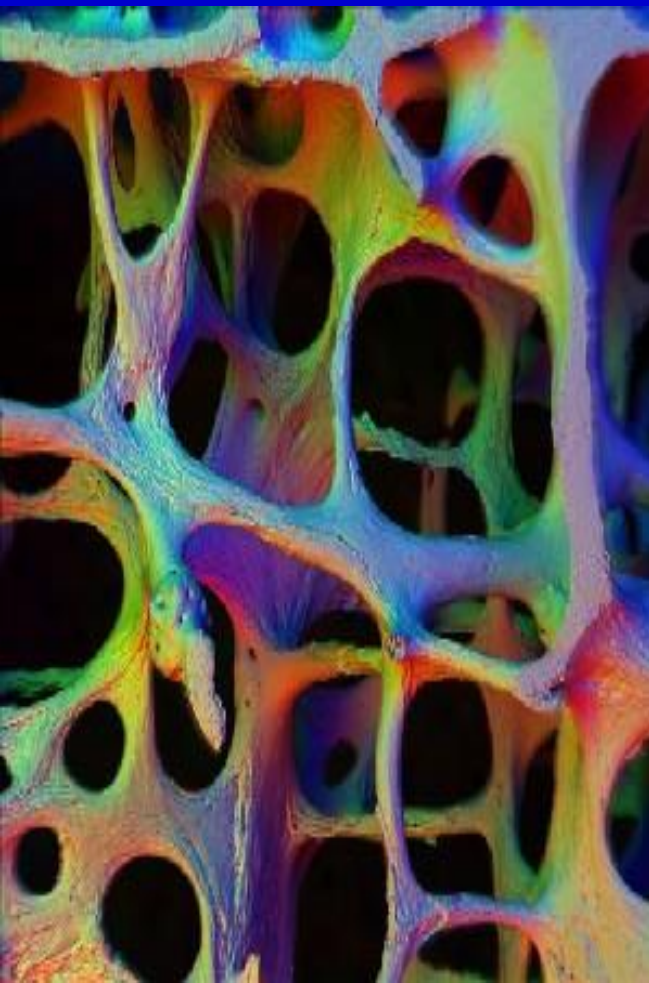


Bone and lifestyle intervention



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Background

- Lifestyle intervention (weight loss and exercise) is recommended as the cornerstone of obesity treatment at all ages.
- However, this recommendation remains controversial in obese older adults:
 - exacerbation of age related lean tissue losses (sarcopenia)
 - Feasibility of long-term weight loss
- There is little evidence from clinical trials regarding the benefits and risks of weight-loss interventions to guide the care of this population

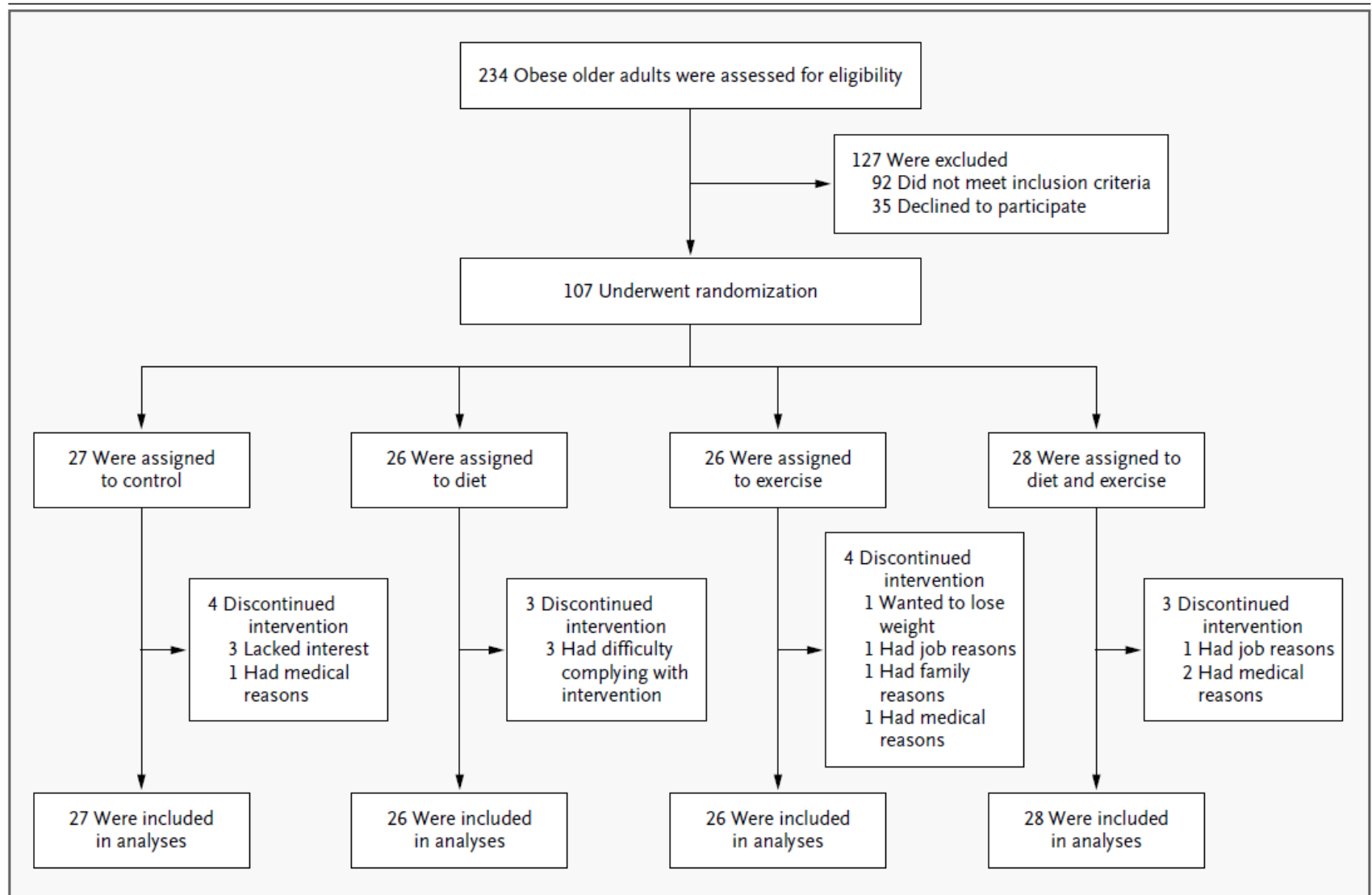


Figure 1. Screening, Randomization, and Follow-up.

Hypothesis

- weight loss and exercise would each improve physical function and that the combination of the two would result in the greatest improvement in physical function and amelioration of physical frailty.

EXERCISE

- **Group Exercise-Training Sessions**
- ☐ 3 nonconsecutive days a week
- ☐ Supervised by a physical therapist
- ☐ 15-min flexibility
- ☐ 30-min endurance (~80% of $\text{VO}_{2\text{peak}}$)
- ☐ 30-min resistance (~80% of 1-RM)
- ☐ 15-min balance

Diet

- **Balanced Diet**
- ☐ Provide energy deficit of ~750 kcal/day
- ☐ Goal of 10% weight loss
- **Weekly Group Behavioral Therapy**
- ☐ Goal setting
- ☐ Self-monitoring
- ☐ Stimulus control
- ☐ Problem solving skills

Subjects

- BMI \geq 30 kg/m², age \geq 65 yrs
- ☐ Sedentary, stable weight, stable medications
- Excluded
 - ☐ severe cardiopulmonary disease
 - ☐ musculoskeletal/neuromuscular impairments
 - ☐ sensory or cognitive deficits
 - ☐ history of malignancy
 - ☐ steroid, androgen, and estrogen use

Evidence of Physical Frailty

- Two of the following operational criteria
- ☐ Physical Performance Test of 18 to 32
- ☐ VO₂peak of 11 to 18 L/min/kg
- ☐ Difficulty or need for assistance in 1 basic or 2 instrumental ADL

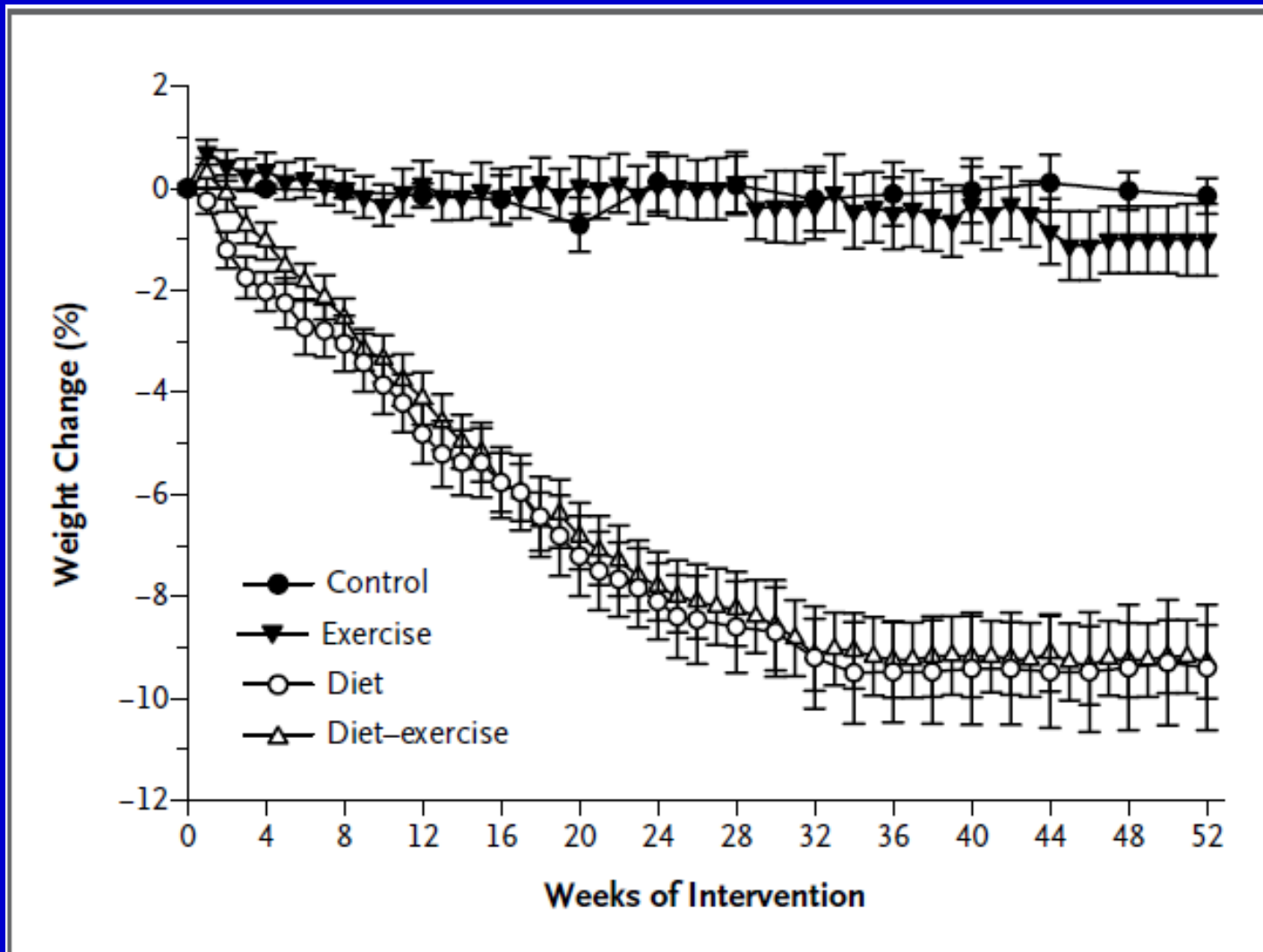
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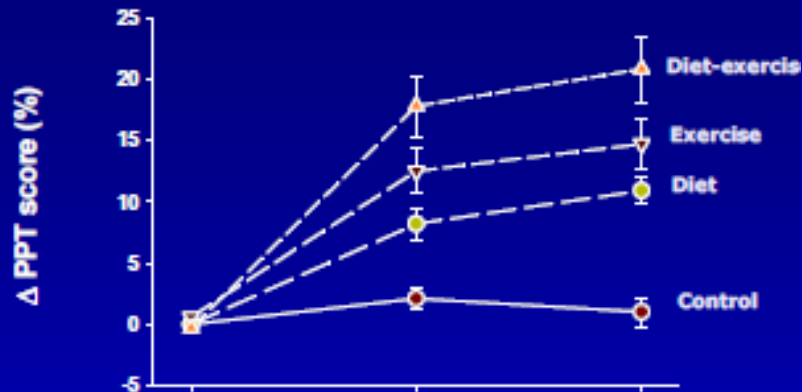
Baseline clinical characteristics

	CTRL (n=27)	Diet (n=26)	EX (n=26)	Diet-EX (n=28)	P value
Age (yr)	69±4	70±4	70±4	70±4	0.85
Female sex, No. (%)	18 (67)	17 (65)	16 (61)	16 (57)	0.89
White race, No. (%)	22 (81)	23 (88)	21 (81)	25 (89)	0.78
Weight (kg)	101±16	104±15	99±17	99±17	0.66
BMI (kg/m ²)	37.3±4.7	37.2±4.5	36.9±5.4	37.2±5.4	0.93
BMD at total hip (g/cm ²)	0.962±0.13 2	1.021±0.13 9	0.958±0.15 1	1.014±0.15 1	0.25
T-score at total hip	-0.18±0.91	0.34±0.97	-0.25±1.1	0.18±1.1	0.07
Serum sclerostin (ng/ml)	1.51±0.42	1.50±0.33	1.14±0.23	1.57±0.39	0.54

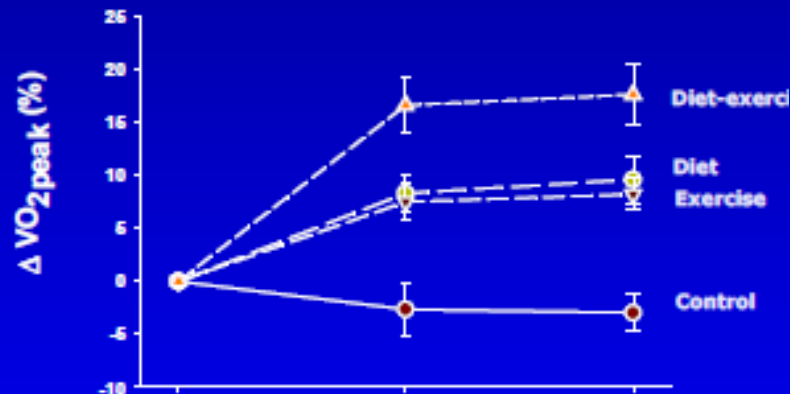
Values are means ± SD. BMD, bone mineral density; BMI, = body mass index

% Change in body weight

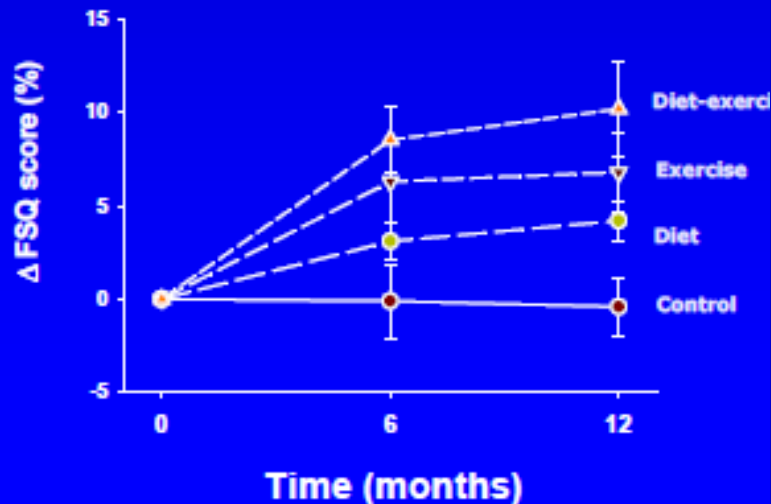




(PPT), which range from 0 to 36, with higher scores indicating better physical status (walking 50 ft, putting on and removing a coat, standing up from a chair, lifting a book, climbing one flight of stairs,

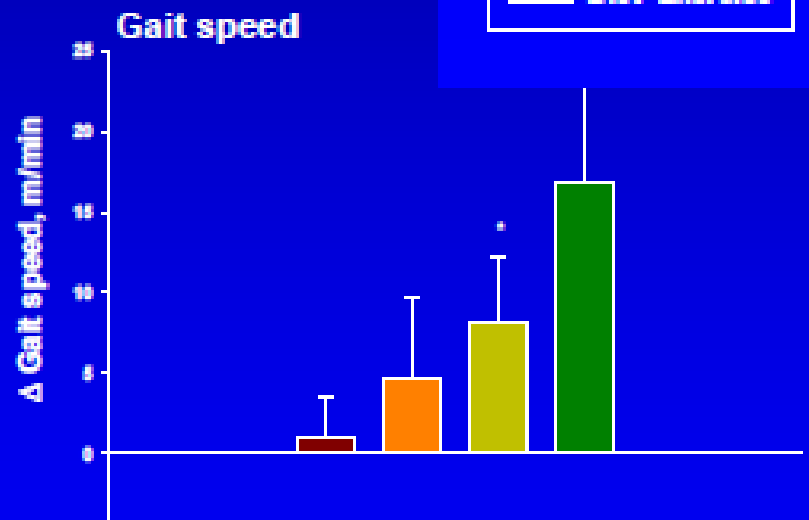
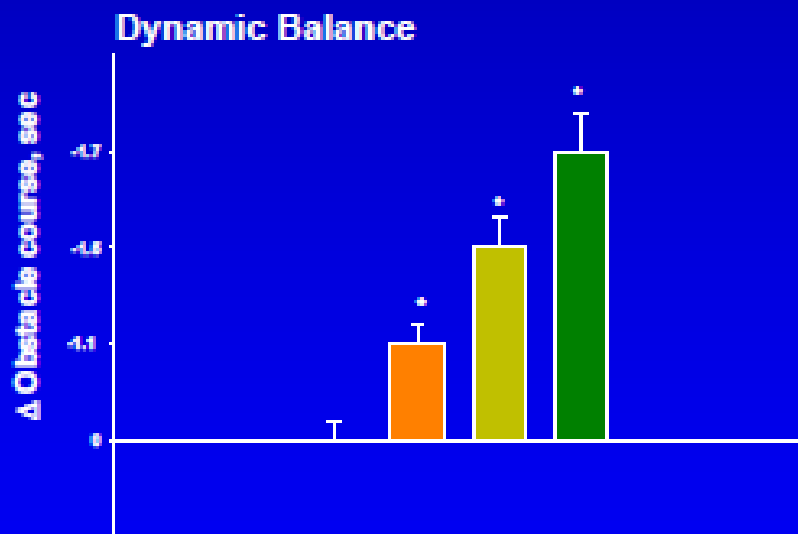
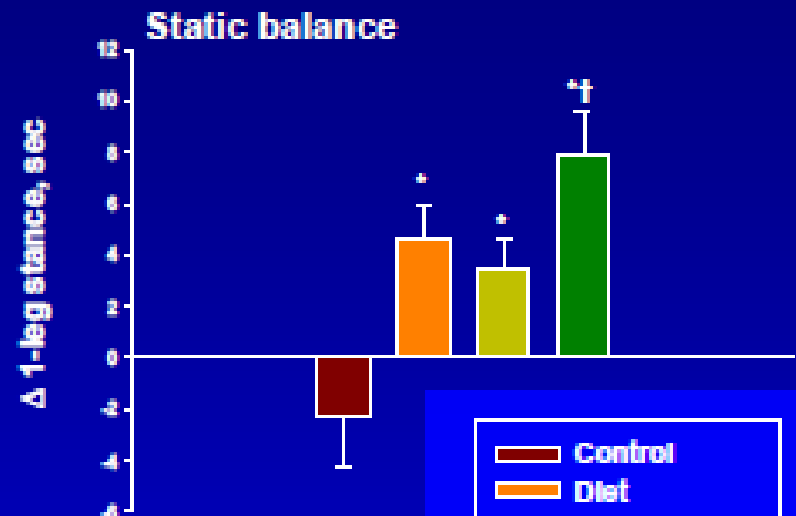
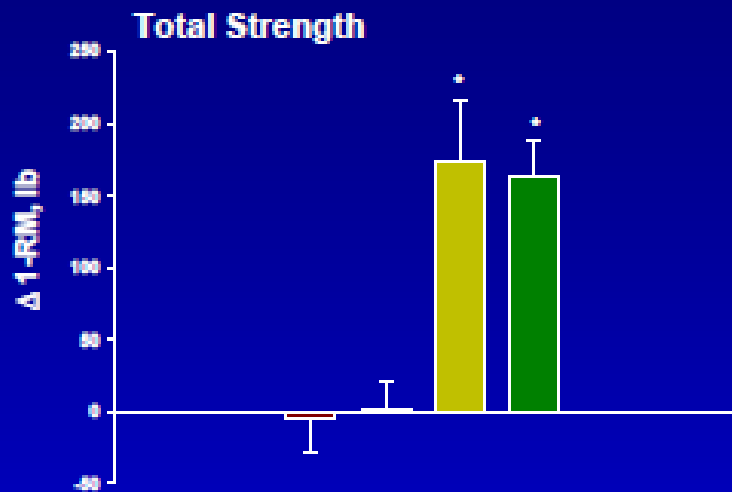


VO₂ peak was assessed during graded treadmill walking



Functional Status Questionnaire (FSQ), range from 0 to 36 activities of daily living subjective measure of frailty

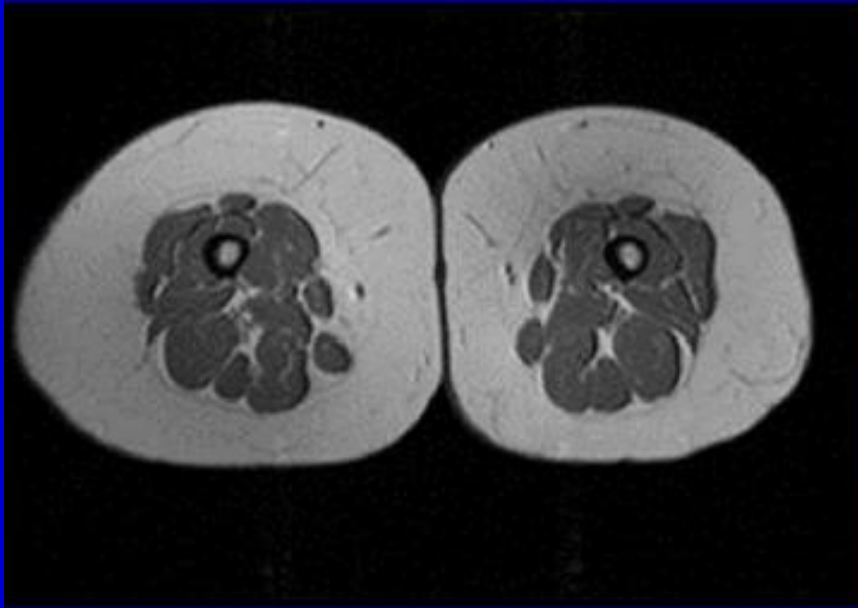
Effect of lifestyle intervention on Specific Physical Functions



Control
Diet
Exercise
Diet+Exercise

Weight Loss Therapy Improves Body Composition

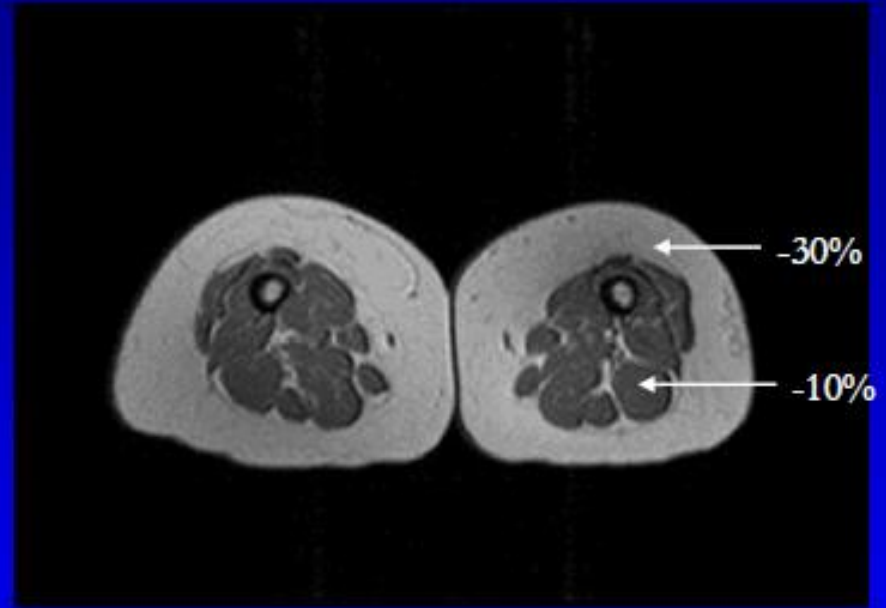
Before (Wt = 95 kg)



Fat = 48 kg
Lean = 47 kg
Relative Lean = 49%

PPT = 30 (Frail)

After (Wt = 75 kg)

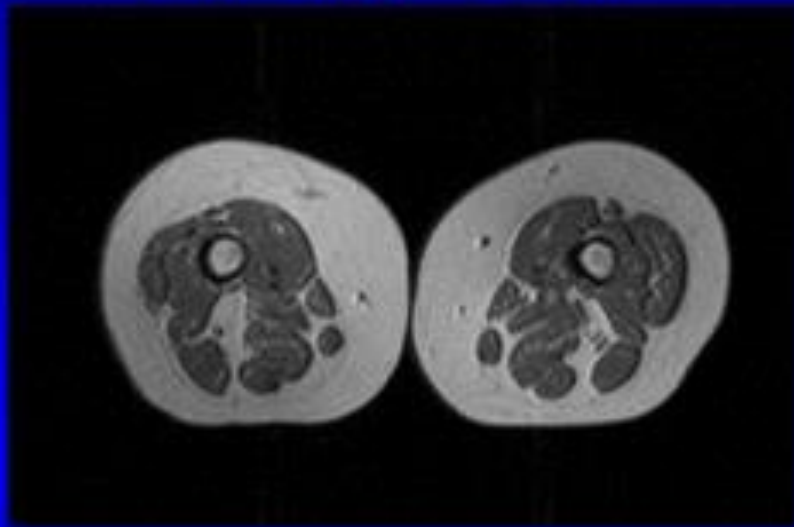


Fat = 33 kg
Lean = 42 kg
Relative Lean = 55%

PPT = 35 (NonFrail)

Exercise added to Weight Loss Therapy Preserves Muscle Mass

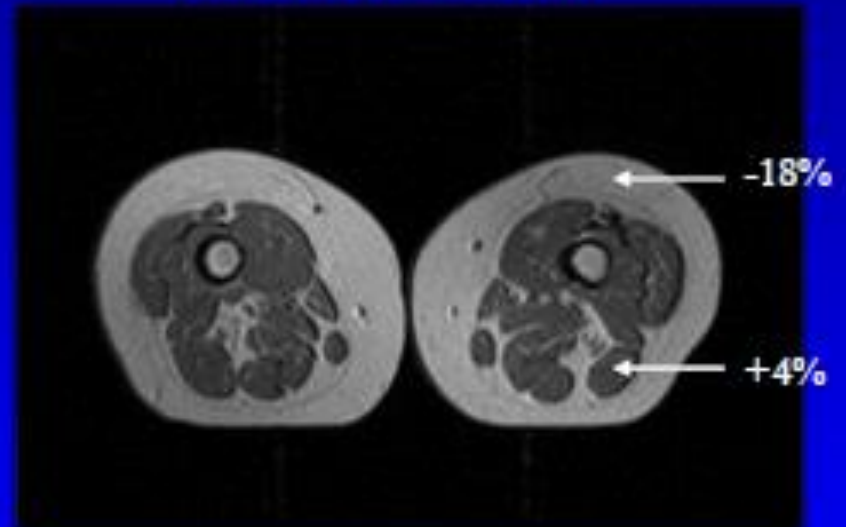
Before (Wt = 91 kg)



Fat = 42 kg
Lean = 50 kg
Relative Lean = 54%

PPT = 25 (Frail)

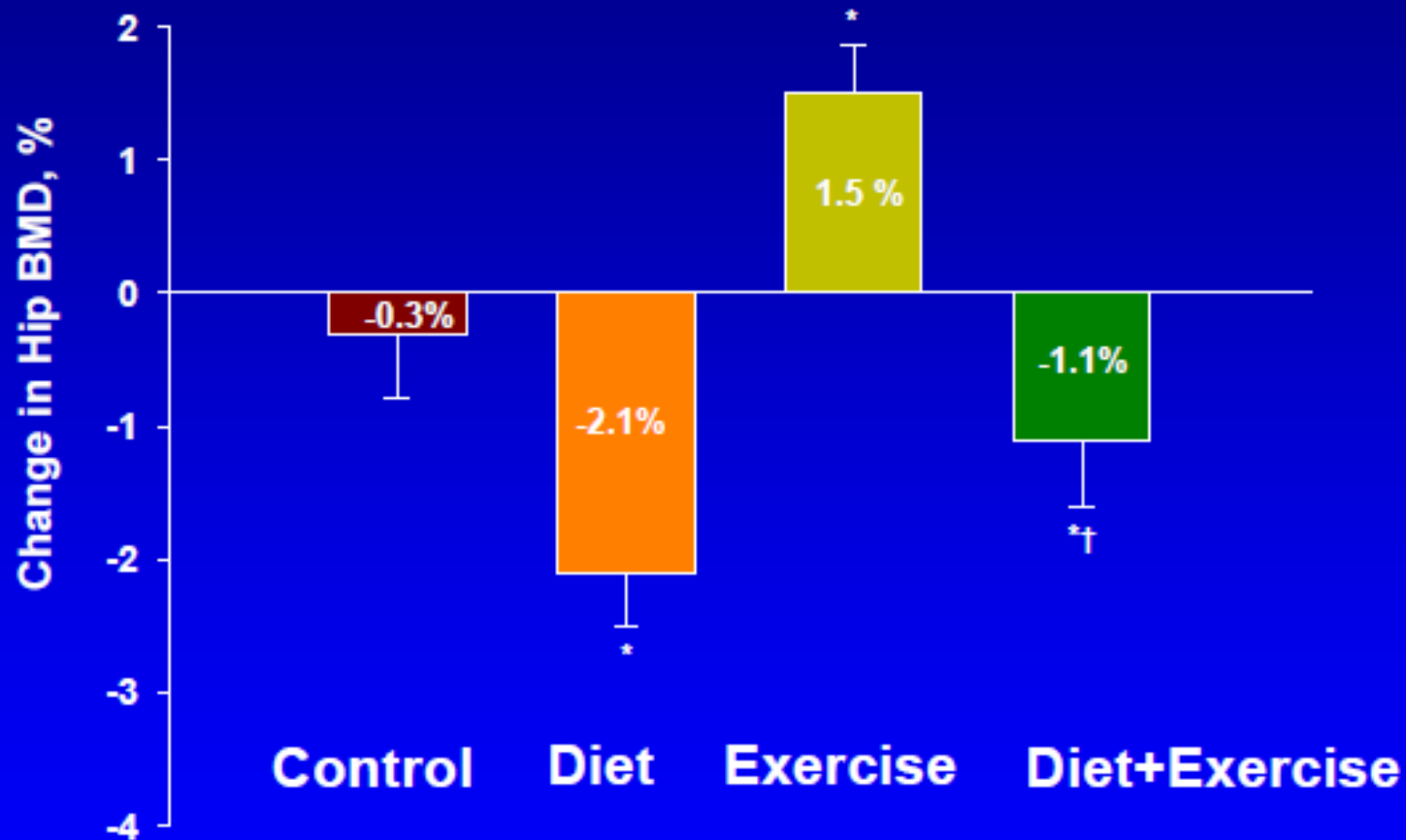
After (Wt = 82 kg)

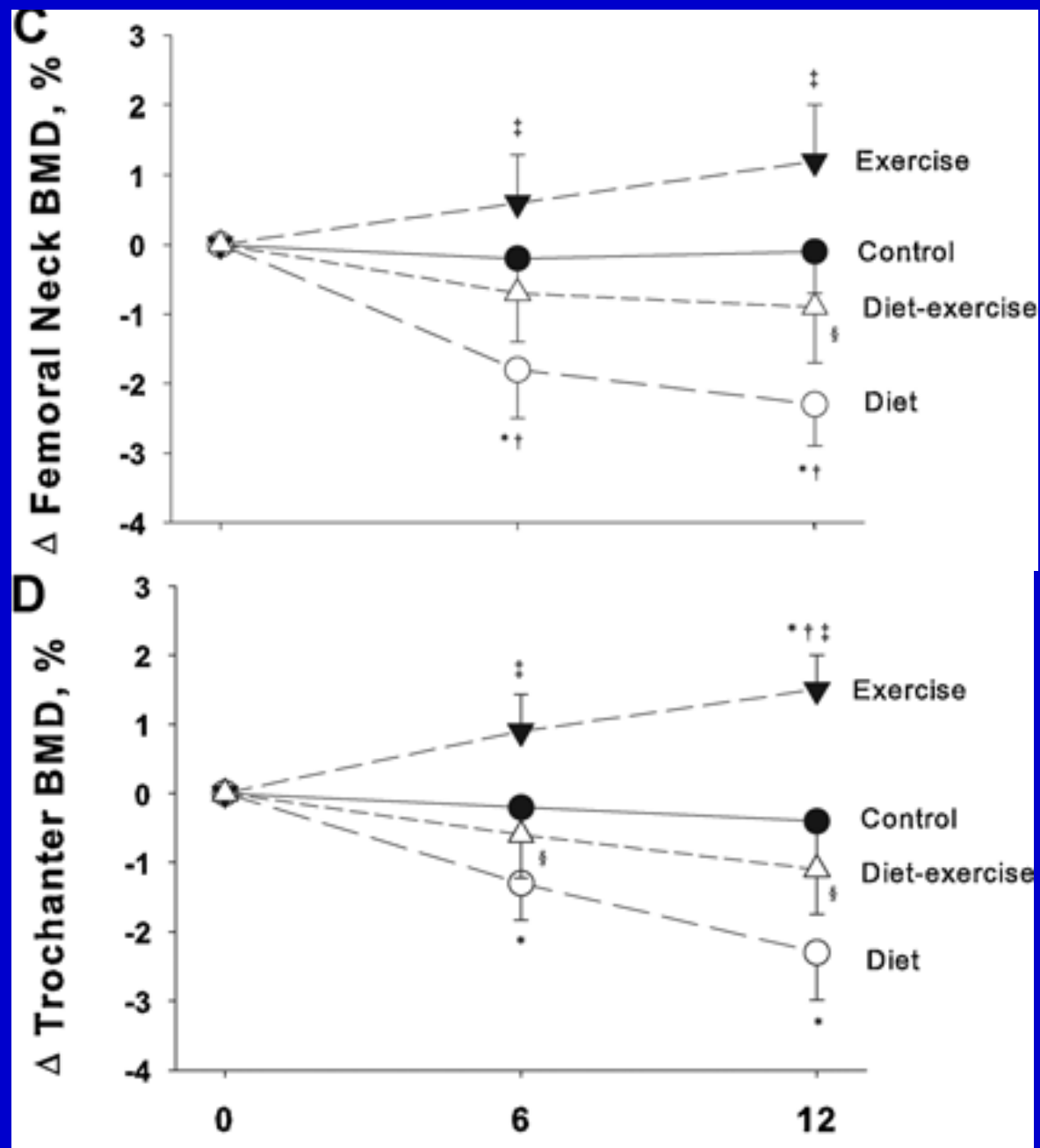


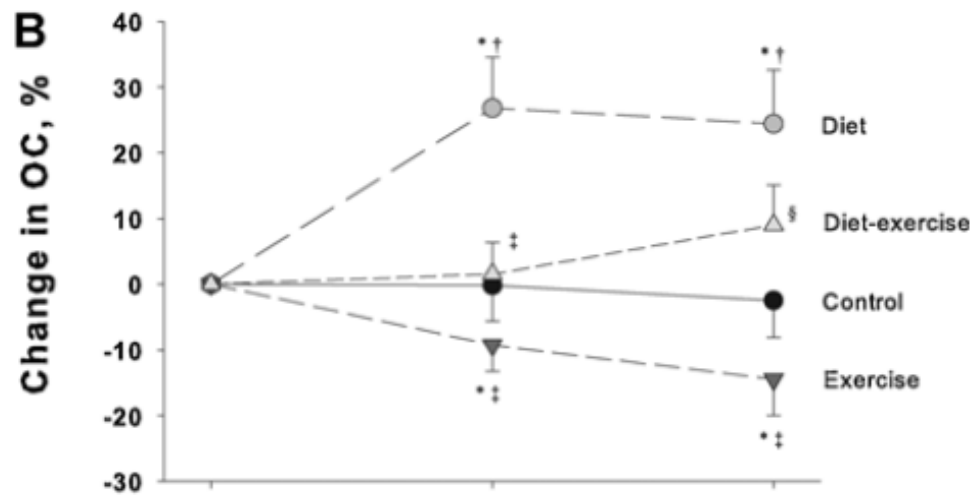
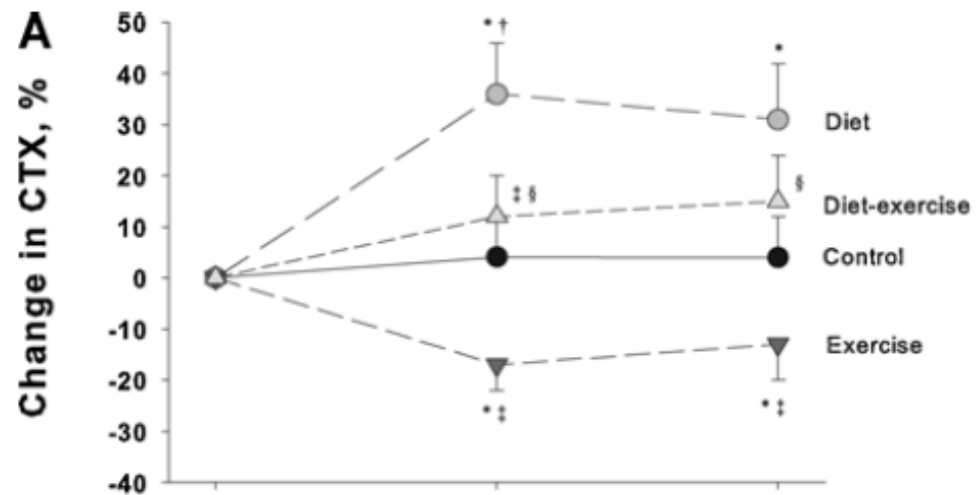
Fat = 34 kg
Lean = 49 kg
Relative Lean = 60%

PPT = 35 (NonFrail)

Changes from baseline in bone mineral density





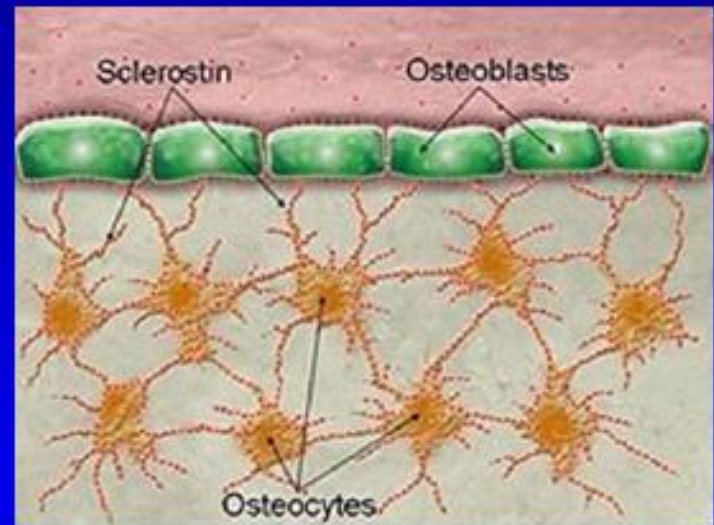


Summary

- the addition of exercise to weight-loss therapy among obese older adults prevents weight-loss-induced reduction in hip BMD and increase in bone turnover

Is sclerostin involved?

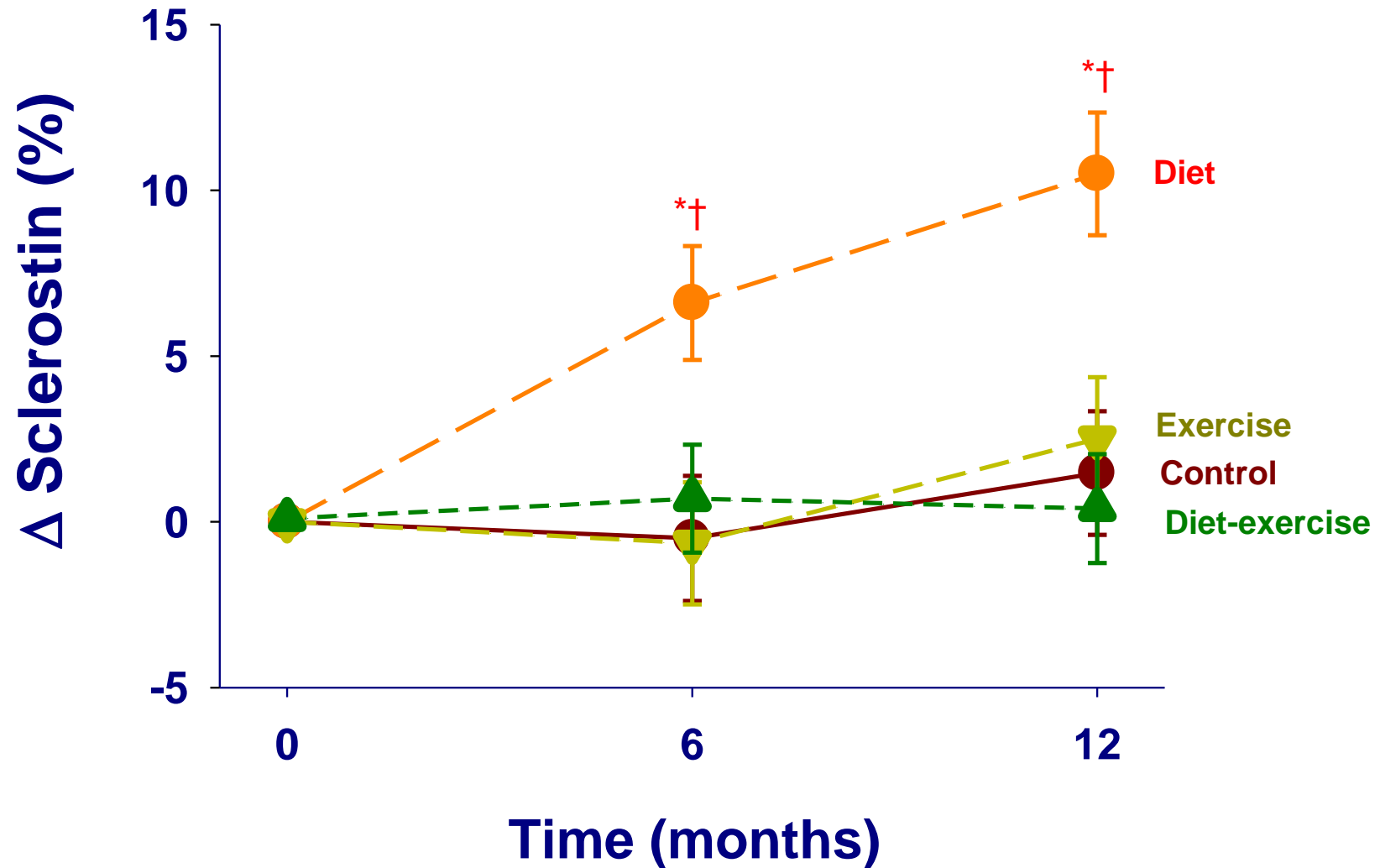
- Sclerostin is produced by osteocytes
 - ↓ bone formation
 - ↑ by unloading
- Loading ↓ sclerostin production



Hypothesis

- 1. That the effect of diet-induced weight loss and exercise (EX) on the skeleton is modulated by changes in SCL levels

Changes in Sclerostin with lifestyle therapy



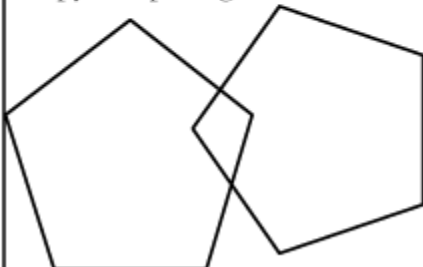
Memory and Obesity

- Obesity in older adults has been associated with both increased and decreased dementia risk
- Limited data from small, mostly short-term clinical trials suggest that weight loss and/or exercise may improve cognition, although other studies showed no effects
- Potential mediators of the effects of weight loss and/or exercise on cognition and quality of life still need to be elucidated

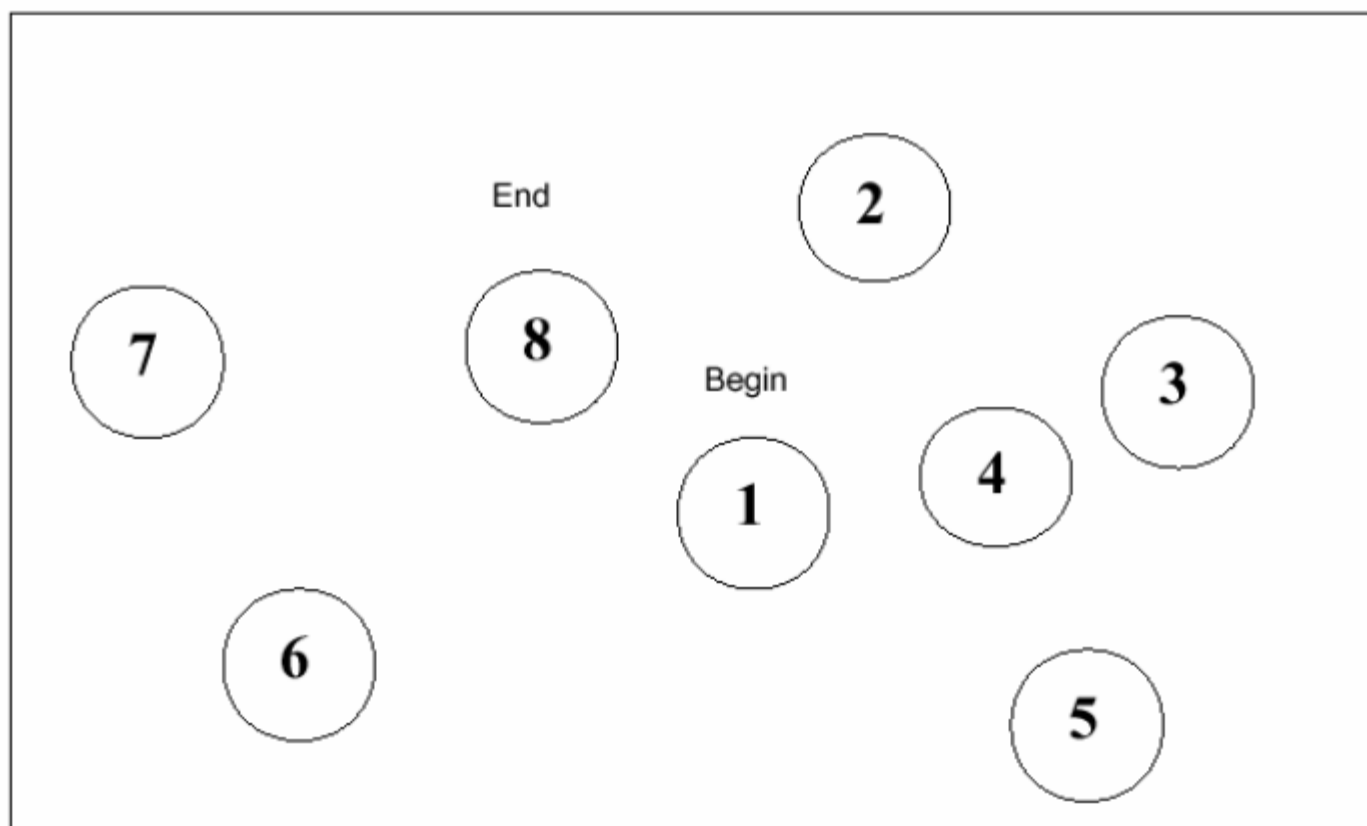
Cognitive Measures

- **GLOBAL COGNITION:** Mini-Mental State Examination (score 1-100)
- **VERBAL PRODUCTION, SEMANTIC MEMORY:** Word List Fluency Test
- **MENTAL FLEXIBILITY, AND EXECUTIVE FUNCTION:** Trail Making Test Parts A and B
- **MOOD:** geriatric depression scale
- **OBESITY-SPECIFIC QUALITY OF LIFE:** IWQOL (1-100 scale)

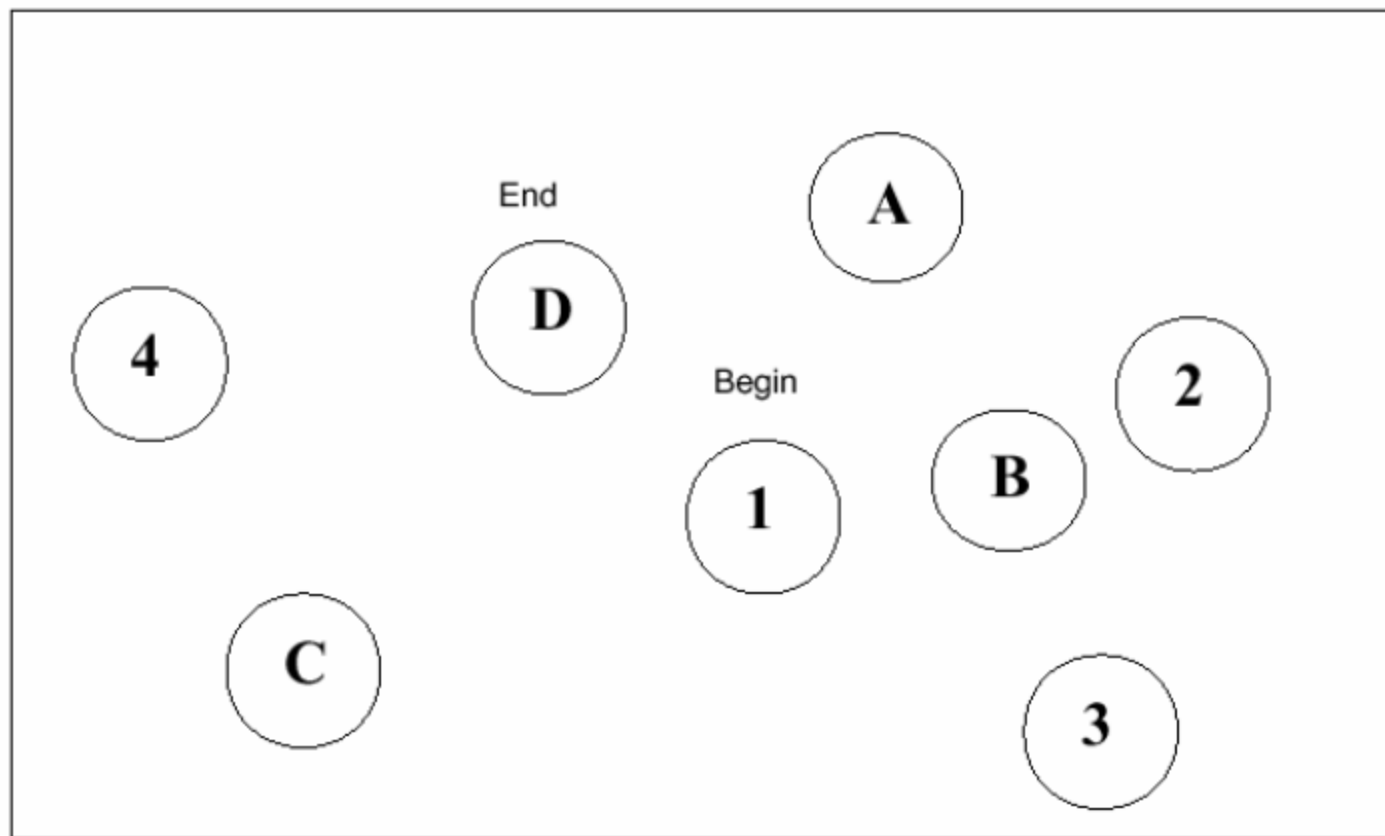
Picture 1 – Mini mental state examination (MMSE)

Temporal orientation (5 points)	What is the approximate time?
	What day of the week is it?
	What is the date today?
	What is the month?
	What is the year?
Spatial orientation (5 points)	Where are we now?
	What is this place?
	In what district are we or what is the address here?
	In which town are we?
	In which state are we?
Registration (3 points)	Repeat the following words: CAR, VASE, BRICK
Attention and calculation (5 points)	Subtract: $100-7 = 93-7 = 86-7 = 79-7 = 72-7 = 65$
Remote memory (3 points)	Can you remember the 3 words you have just said?
Naming 2 objects (2 points)	Watch and pen
REPEAT (1 point)	"NO IFS, ANDS OR BUTS"
Stage command (3 points)	"Take this piece of paper with your right hand, fold it in half, and put it on the floor"
Writing a complete sentence (1 point)	Write a sentence that makes sense
Reading and obey (1 point)	Close your eyes
Copy the diagram (1 point)	Copy two pentagons with an intersection 

Trail Making Test Part A – *SAMPLE*

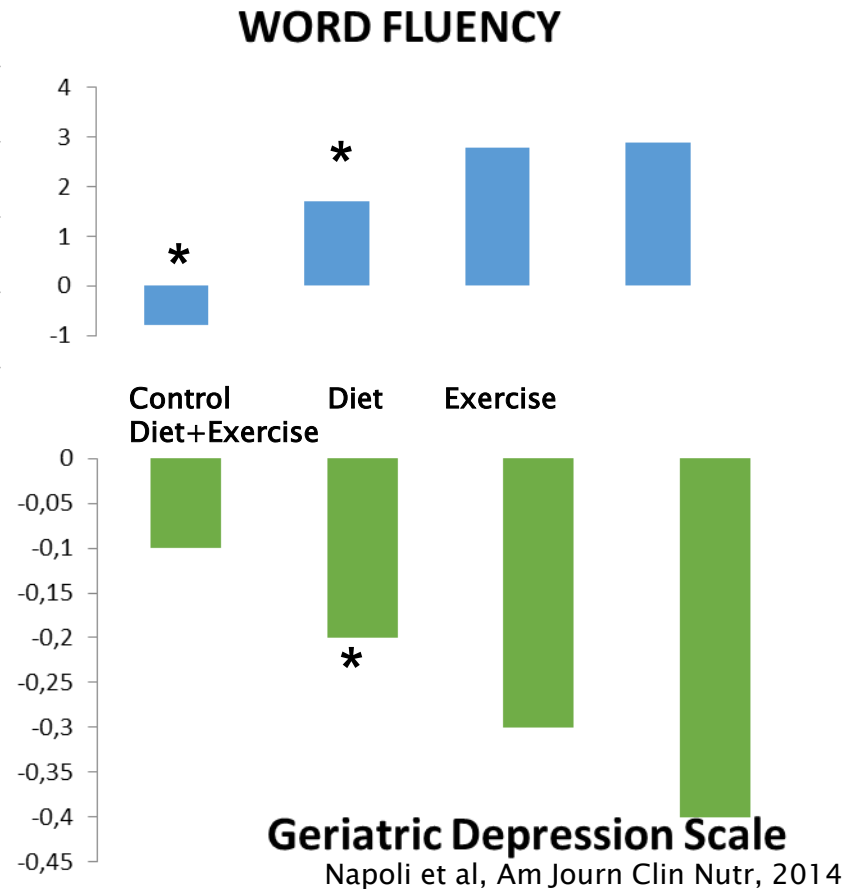
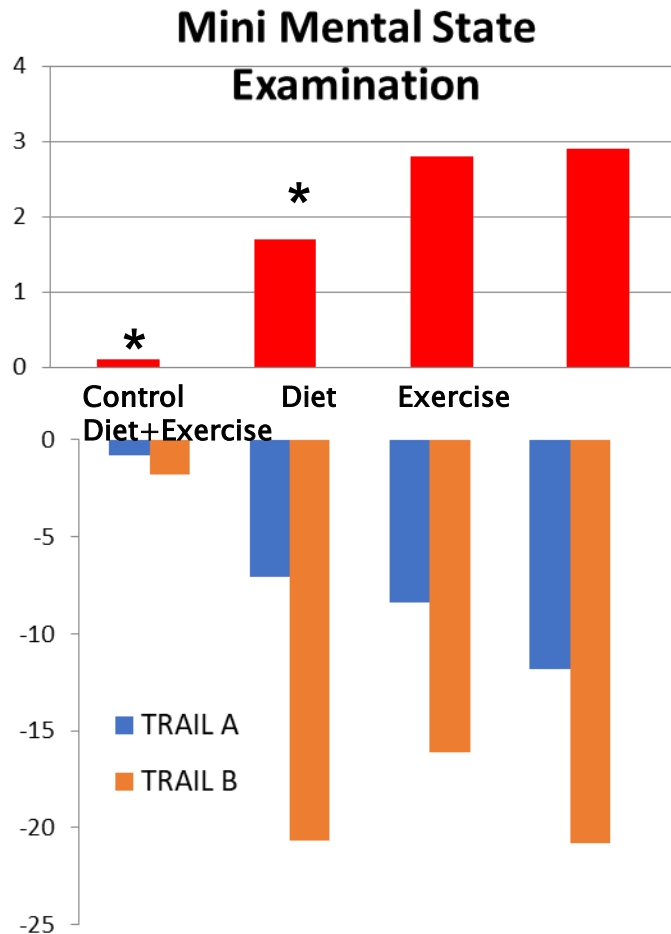


Trail Making Test Part B – *SAMPLE*

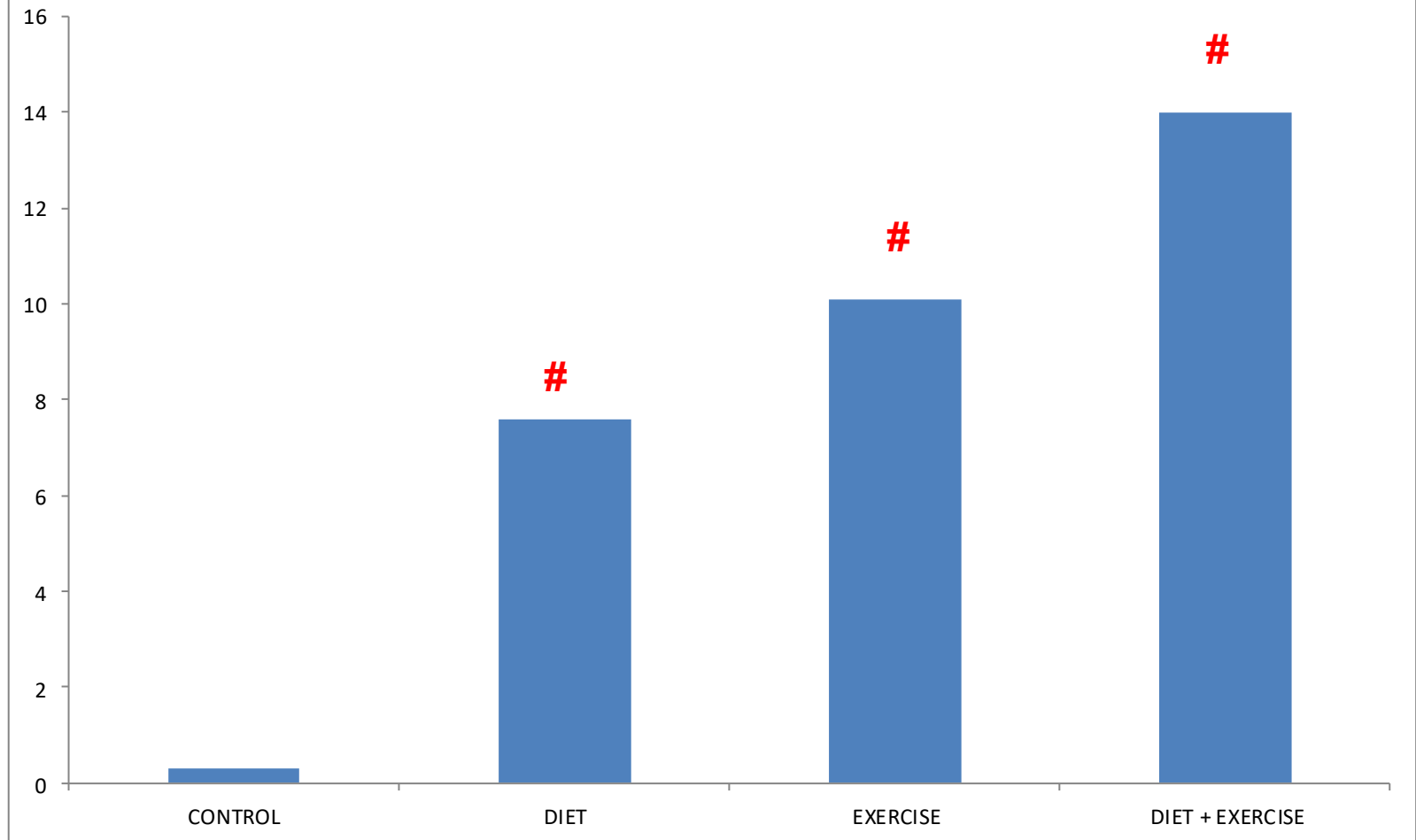


% Change from baseline for both cognition

* $p < 0.005$ vs. diet + exercise




% Change in IW QUALITY OF LIFE



Napoli et al, AJCN, 2014

Stepwise multiple linear regression analysis to identify which variables were independent contributors in each intervention group

Final model of variables affecting change in 3MS 

Diet group (multiple $R = 0.503$, $P = 0.0003$)


Change in ISI	0.468 ± 0.119	0.0001
Change in hs-CRP	-0.309 ± 0.119	0.01

Exercise group (multiple $R = 0.489$, $P = 0.001$)

Change in VO_{2peak}	0.319 ± 0.121	0.01
Change in LE 1-RM strength	0.314 ± 0.131	0.01

Diet-exercise group (multiple $R = 0.436$, $P = 0.002$)

Change in LE 1-RM strength	0.272 ± 0.136	0.03
Change in VO_{2peak}	0.257 ± 0.124	0.04

Final model of variables affecting change in total IWQOL 

Diet group ($R = 0.383$, $P = 0.002$)

Change in body weight	-0.383 ± 0.123	0.002
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Exercise group strength ($R = 0.406$, $P = 0.002$)

Change in LE 1-RM	0.406 ± 0.149	0.002
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Diet-exercise group (multiple $R = 0.564$, $P = 0.0001$)

Change in body weight	-0.365 ± 0.128	0.004
Change in LE 1-RM strength	0.293 ± 0.116	0.01

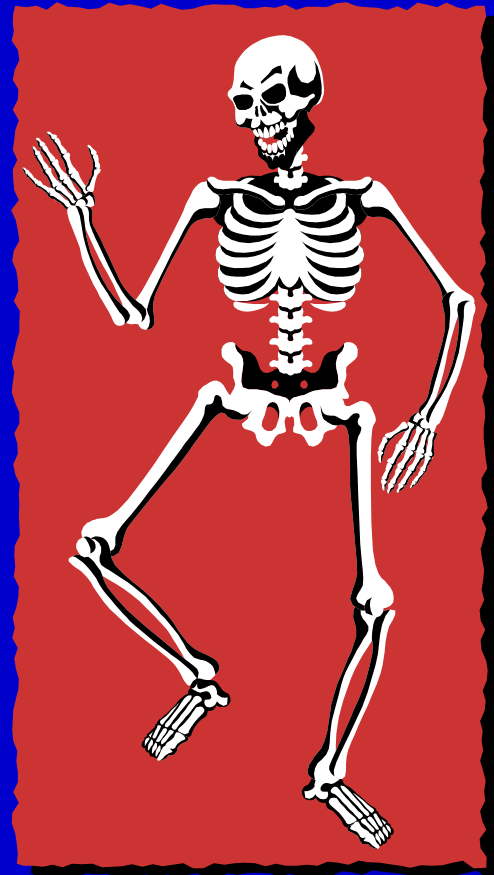
Summary

- Weight loss plus exercise and exercise alone equally improved scores in the global 3MS, TRAIL A and B tests and to a greater extent than weight loss alone
- Weight loss plus exercise and exercise alone equally improved scores in the IWQOL and to a greater extent than weight loss alone

Conclusions

- Successful weight loss (~10%) is feasible in frail, obese older adults.
- ☐ The addition of an exercise (multi-component) to weight-loss does not prevent but attenuates weight-loss-induced decrease in lean body mass.
- ☐ Weight loss alone and exercise alone improves physical function and ameliorates frailty in obese older adults.
- ☐ However, combined weight loss and regular exercise may provide greater improvement in physical function than either intervention alone.
- ☐ Weight loss therapy may decrease BMD (? clinical significance).
- ☐ Further studies are needed to determine whether weight loss can be maintained >1 year and prevent institutionalization of obese older adults.

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