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La nutrizione dell'anziano nei vari setting assistenziali

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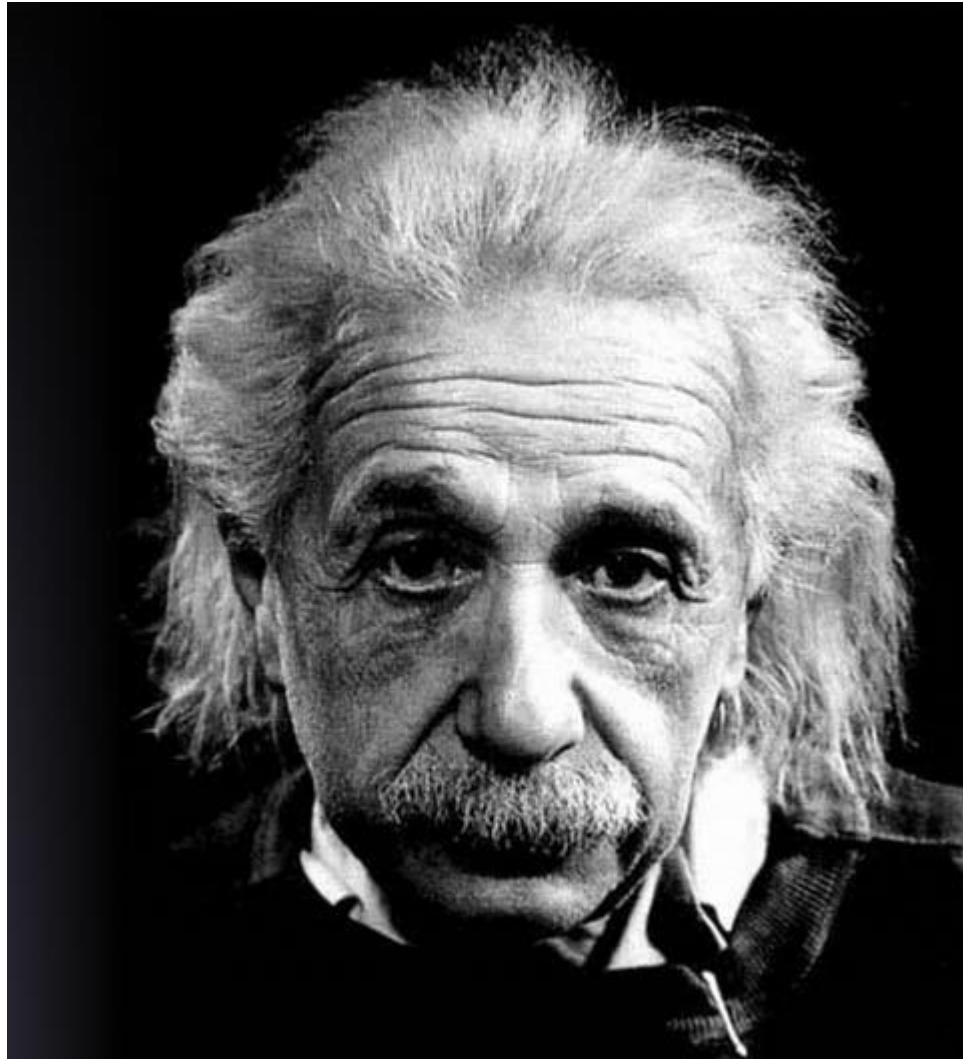
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Albert Einstein:

- Un uomo **intelligente** riesce a risolvere **problemi** anche complessi.
L'uomo veramente saggio evita di crearli.



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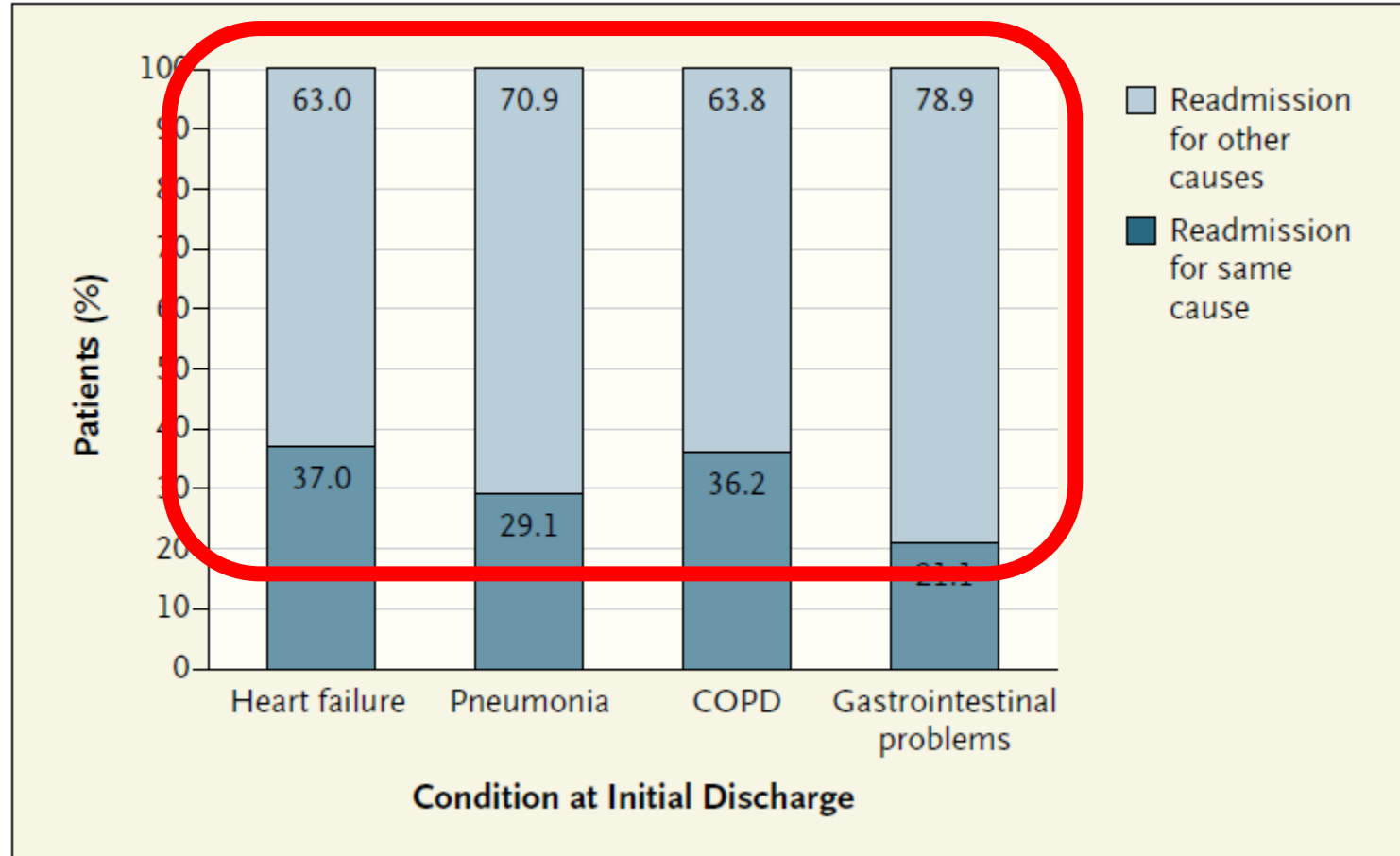
PERSPECTIVE

Post-Hospital Syndrome — An Acquired, Transient Condition of Generalized Risk

Harlan M. Krumholz, M.D.

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Proportion of rehospitalizations for causes other than the condition at initial discharge



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- Sleep deprivation, disruption of normal circadian rhythm
- **Poor nutrition**
- Pain
- Confrontation of mentally challenging situations
- Drugs that can alter cognition and physical function
- Deconditioning by bed rest or inactivity

Changes with old age

Effects

Sensory impairment

- Decreased sense of taste → Reduced appetite
- Decreased sense of smell → Reduced appetite
- Poor oral health → Difficulty chewing, chronic inflammation, poor quality diet
- Loss of vision and hearing → Decreased ability to purchase and prepare food

Altered energy need → Diet lacking essential nutrients

Decreased physical activity → Progressive depletion of lean body mass and reduced appetite

Sarcopenia → Decreased functional ability, assistance needed with ADLs

Isolation → Decreased appetite

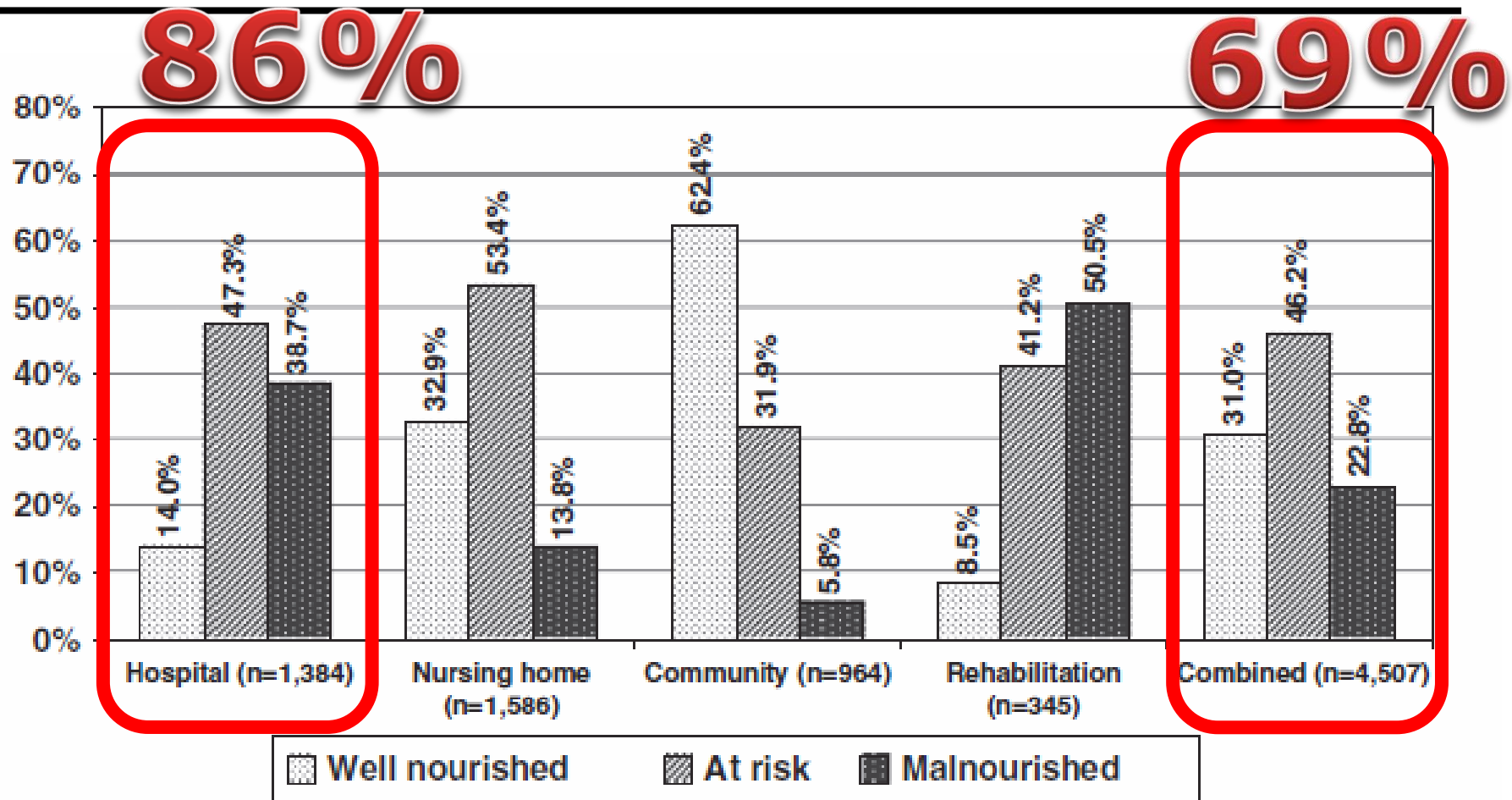
Financial → Limited access to food, poor quality diet

Cumulative Effects



Progressive Undernutrition

Frequency of Malnutrition in Older Adults: A Multinational Perspective Using the Mini Nutritional Assessment

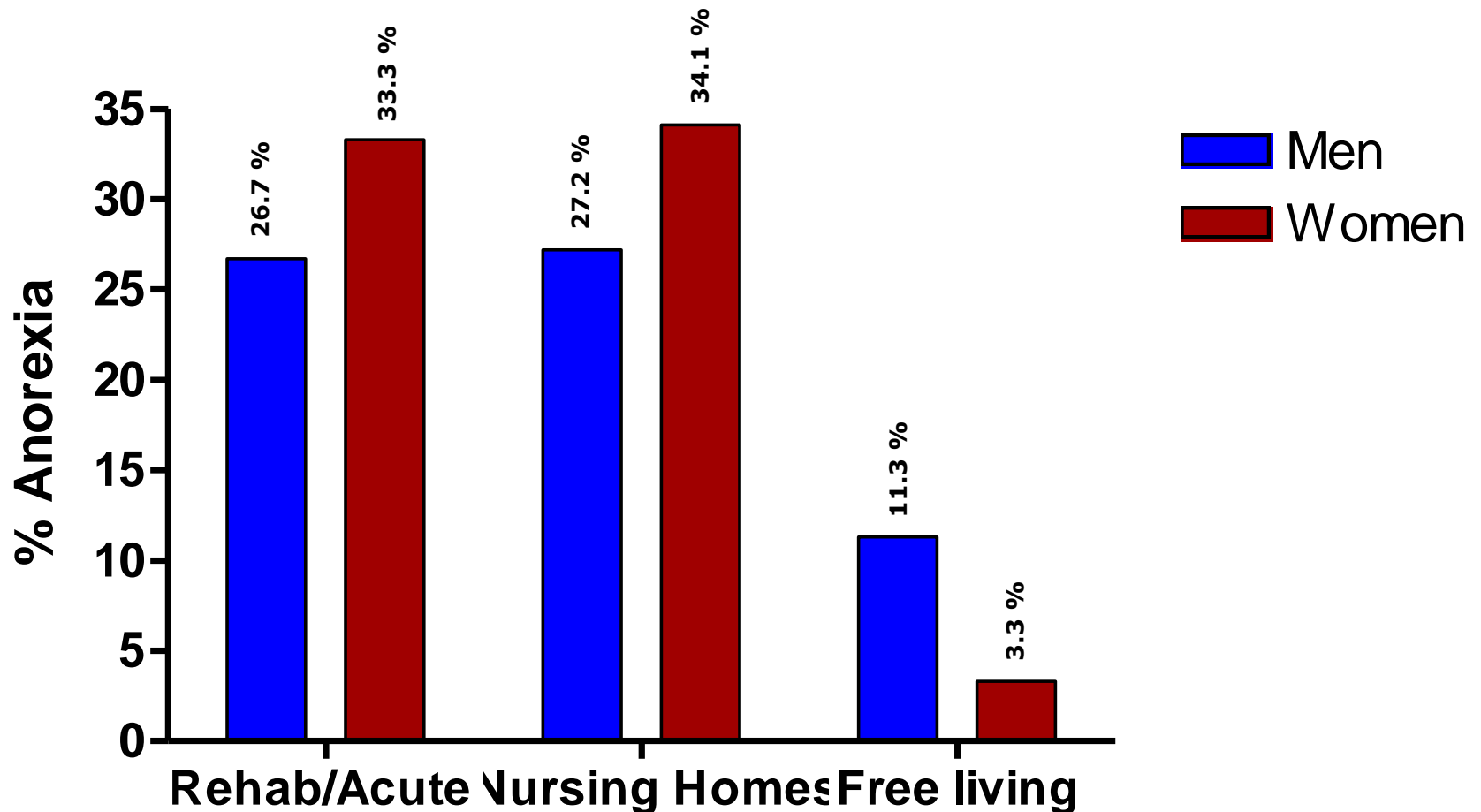


Malnutrition in Hospitalised Older Adults: A Multicentre Observational Study

- 6 Irish hospitals, 606 older adults aged 70+
- **63%** were malnourished or at risk for **M** according with MNA-SF
- **M** was associated with increased LOS, institutionalisation, and in-hospital mortality (all $p < .001$)

SENILE ANOREXIA IN DIFFERENT GERIATRIC SETTINGS IN ITALY

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High Variability in the Definition

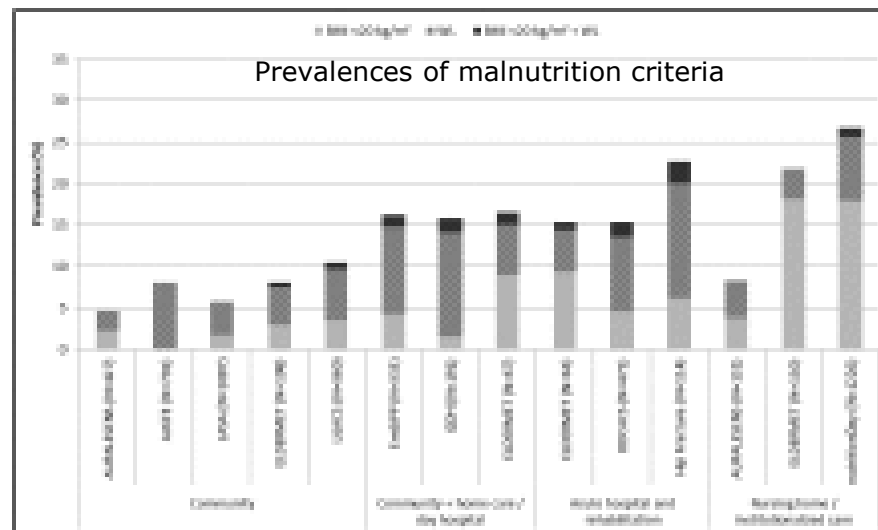
Malnutrition in the Nursing Home

- near **20%** of NH had some form of **M**.
- **M** definitions were variable
- Prevalence ranged from **1.5 to 66.5%**.
- Depression, cognitive- functional impairment, and swallowing difficulty were consistently associated with **M**.
- Mortality was significantly associated with **M**.

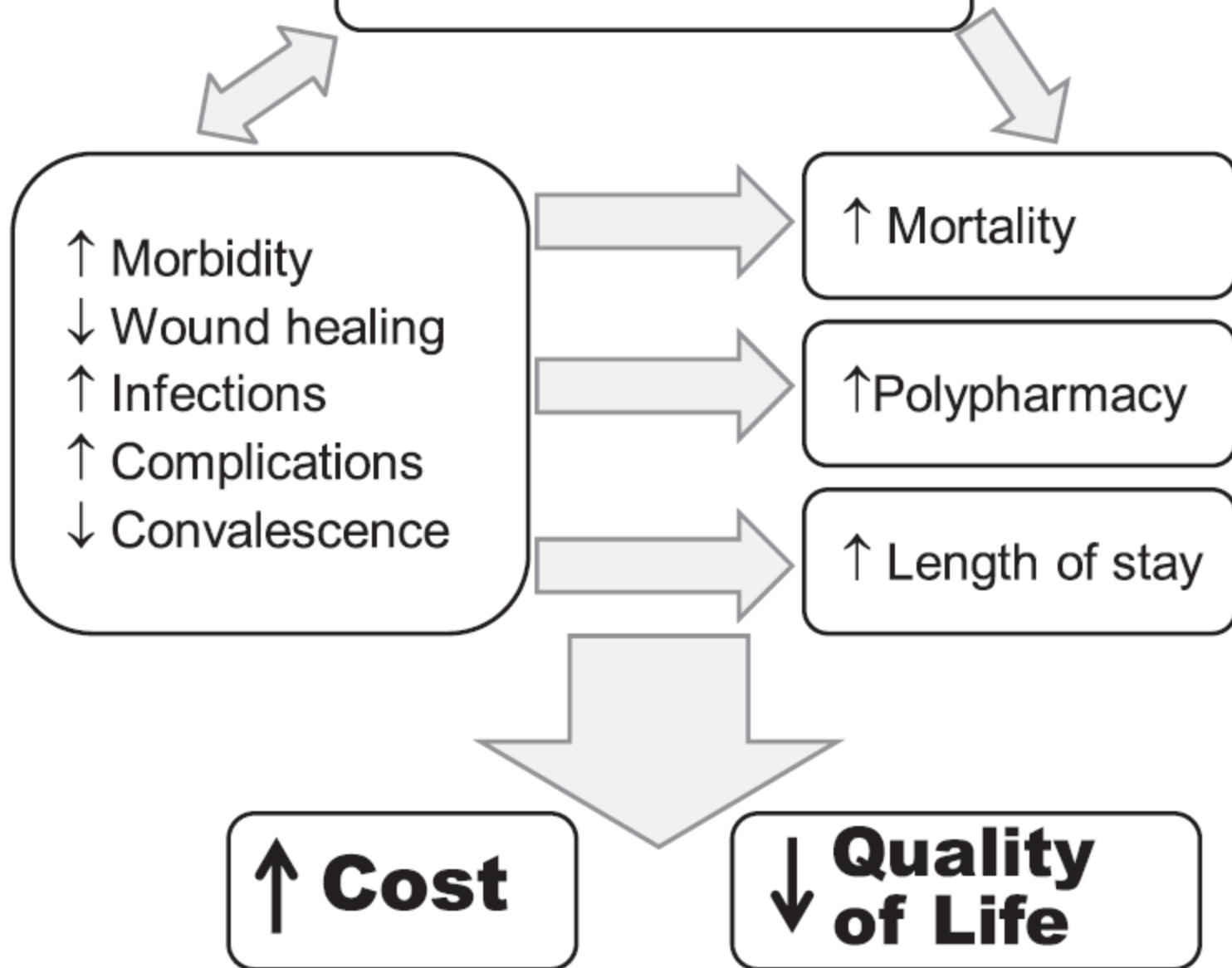
CONCLUSION: To truly tackle the issue of malnutrition in the NH, a **consistent definition** is needed.

Prevalence of malnutrition using harmonized definitions in older adults from different settings – A MaNuEL study

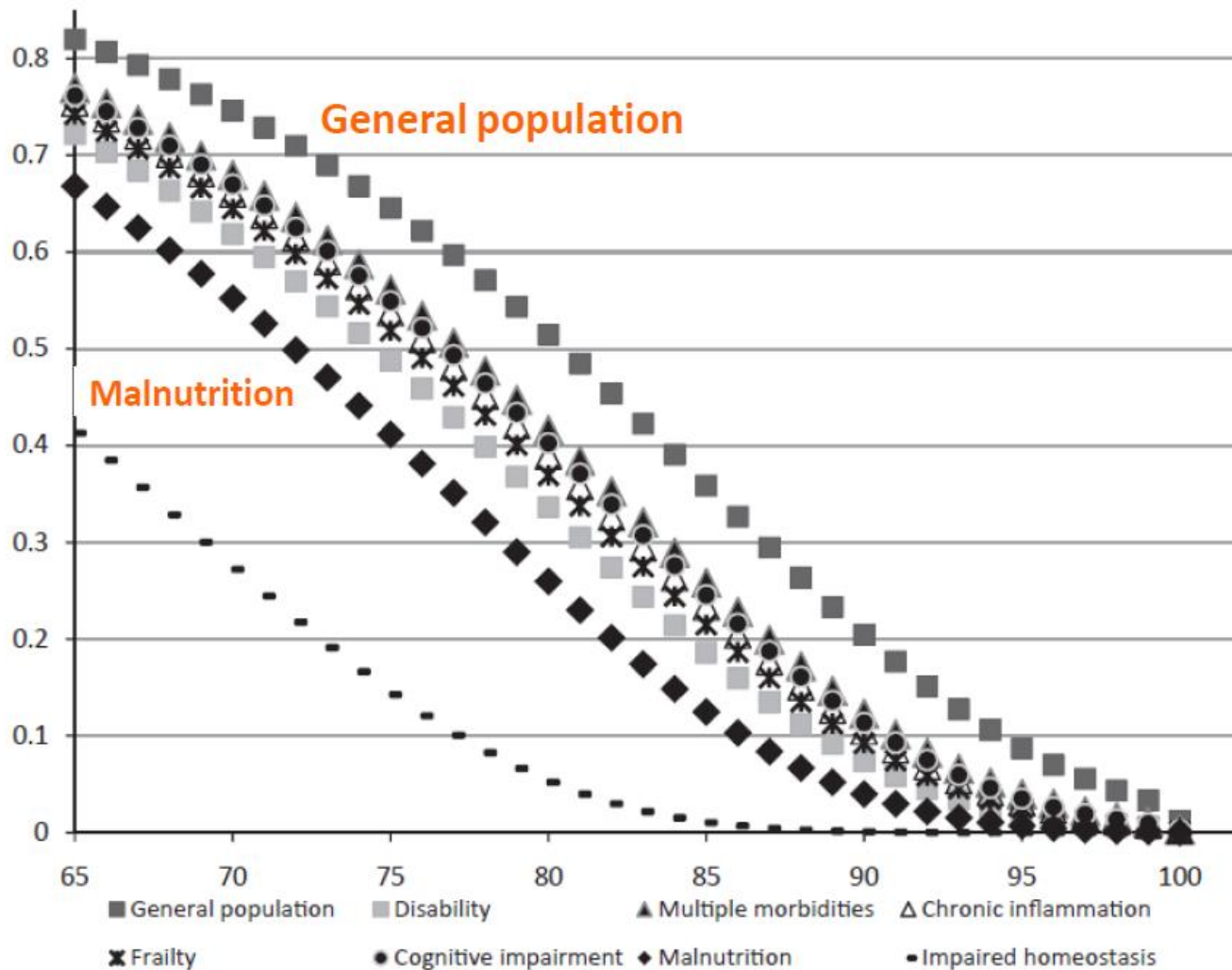
- Malnutrition in the Elderly (MaNuEL) Knowledge Hub
- 15 samples, n=5956
- To compare prevalences of M indicators:
 - low BMI ($<20 \text{ kg/m}^2$ and age-specific BMI <20),
 - previous weight loss,
 - moderate and severe decrease in food intake,
 - and combined low BMI and/or WL



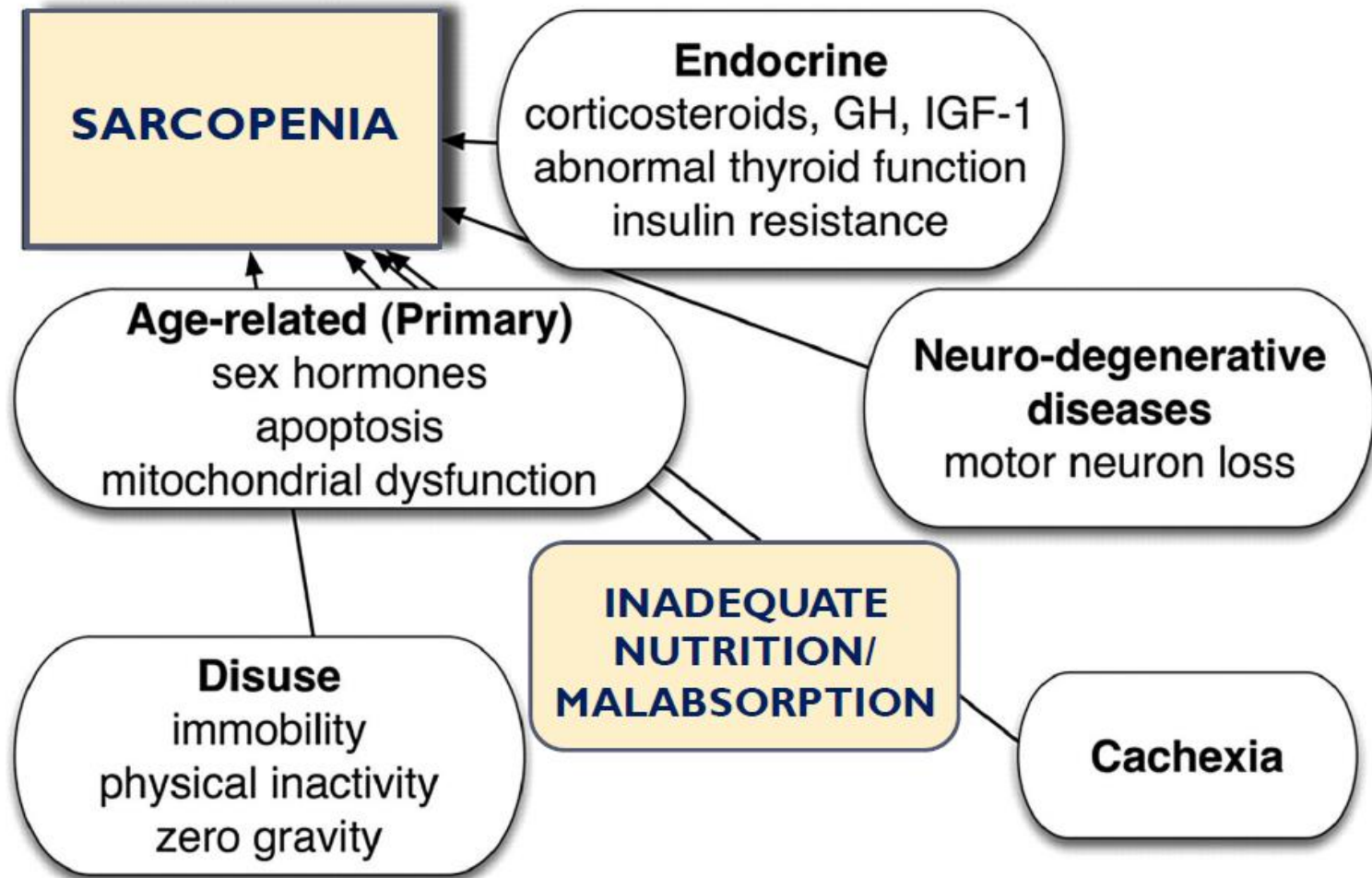
Malnutrition



Geriatric Syndromes and Survival



Patogenesi della sarcopenia



Prevalence and Associated Factors of Sarcopenia in NH: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

- 16 studies, 3585 participants from 129 NH.
- Prevalences EWGSOP- and SMI-defined sarcopenia were 41% and 59%.
- **M** was an independent associated factor of EWGSOP-defined sarcopenia (OR 1.74, 95% CI 1.36-2.2; 3 studies, 718 cases)



Malnutrition Diagnosis during Adult Inpatient Hospitalizations: Collaborative Database of Academic Medical Centers

Prevalence of **M** diagnosis reported in hospitalizations
University Health System Consortium (Vizient) database,
105 institutions, 2014-2015.

ICD code.

5,896,792 hospitalizations

- N=292,754; **5.0%** with **M** diagnosis
0.9% severe **M** diagnosis
- **M** diagnosis increased (4.0% to 4.9%) from 2014 to 2015 ($P < 0.01$).
- Factors associated with increased diagnosis of **M** diagnosis = higher hospital volume, hospital ranking, and patient satisfaction scores ($P < 0.01$).

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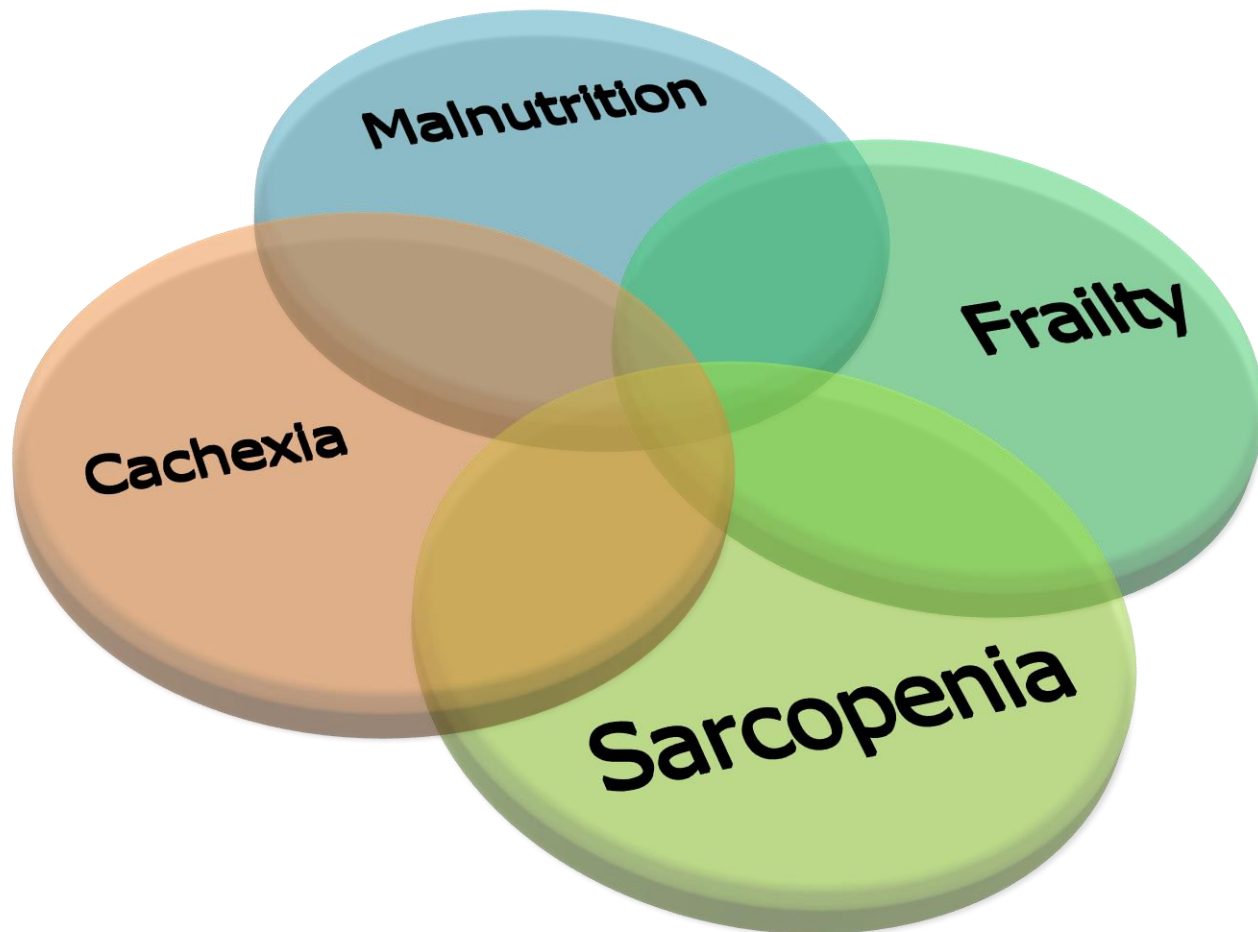
Conclusion

Missing a malnutrition diagnosis appears to be a **universal** even across academic medical centers.

Quality improvement efforts appear to be needed to improve the identification of malnutrition.

**More than 50% of
energy-protein
malnutrition may go
undetected in
hospitalized
geriatric patients**

Cachexia, sarcopenia, malnutrition and frailty are overlapping conditions



Valutazione dello Stato Nutrizionale

▶ **Misure antropometriche**

- ▶ BMI (<18.5)
- ▶ Calo ponderale involontario
- ▶ Pliche
- ▶ Circonferenza braccio, vita

▶ **Biomarcatori**

- ▶ Albumina plasmatica (< 3.5 g/dl)
- ▶ Linfociti (<1.800/mm³)
- ▶ Prealbumina
- ▶ Transferrina

▶ **Valutazione strumentale**

- ▶ BIA
- ▶ DEXA
- ▶ RMN

▶ **Strumenti multidimensionali:**

MNA

- ▶ Subjective Global Assessment
- ▶ Prognostic Nutritional Index
- ▶ Nutrition Risk Index
- ▶ Prognostic Inflammatory and Nutritional Index



Mini Nutritional Assessment MNA®

Last name: _____ First name: _____ Sex: _____ Date: _____
Age: _____ Weight, kg: _____ Height, cm: _____ I.D. Number: _____

Complete the screen by filling in the boxes with the appropriate numbers.
Add the numbers for the screen. If score is 11 or less, continue with the assessment to gain a Malnutrition Indicator Score.

Screening

A Has food intake declined over the past 3 months due to loss of appetite, digestive problems, chewing or swallowing difficulties?

- 0 = severe loss of appetite
1 = moderate loss of appetite
2 = no loss of appetite

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B Weight loss during the last 3 months

- 0 = weight loss greater than 3 kg (6.6 lbs)
1 = does not know
2 = weight loss between 1 and 3 kg (2.2 and 6.6 lbs)
3 = no weight loss

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C Mobility

- 0 = bed or chair bound
1 = able to get out of bed/chair but does not go out
2 = goes out

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J How many full meals does the patient eat daily?

- 0 = 1 meal
1 = 2 meals
2 = 3 meals

☐

K Selected consumption markers for protein intake

- At least one serving of dairy products (milk, cheese, yogurt) per day? yes ☐ no ☐
 - Two or more servings of legumes or eggs per week? yes ☐ no ☐
 - Meat, fish or poultry every day? yes ☐ no ☐
- 0.0 = if 0 or 1 yes
0.5 = if 2 yes
1.0 = if 3 yes

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☐

L Consumes two or more servings of fruits or vegetables per day?

- 0 = no 1 = yes

☐

Valutazione dello stato nutrizionale

24-30 da 24 a 30 punti

17-23.5 da 17 a 23,5 punti

meno 17 punti

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stato nutrizionale normale

rischio di malnutrizione

cattivo stato nutrizionale

11 points or greater = normal - no need to complete assessment
11 points or below Possible malnutrition - continue assessment

Assessment

G Lives independently (not in a nursing home or hospital)

- 0 = no 1 = yes

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H Takes more than 3 prescription drugs per day

- 0 = yes 1 = no

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I Pressure sores or skin ulcers

- 0 = yes 1 = no

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- 0.0 = not as good
0.5 = does not know
1.0 = as good
2.0 = better

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Q Mid-arm circumference (MAC) in cm

- 0.0 = MAC less than 21
0.5 = MAC 21 to 22
1.0 = MAC 22 or greater

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R Calf circumference (CC) in cm

- 0 = CC less than 31 1 = CC 31 or greater

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Assessment (max. 16 points)

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☐

Screening score

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☐

Total Assessment (max. 30 points)

☐
☐
☐

Malnutrition Indicator Score

17 to 23.5 points

at risk of malnutrition

☐

Less than 17 points

malnourished

☐

Ref: Guigoz Y, Vellas B and Garry PJ. 1994. Mini Nutritional Assessment: A practical assessment tool for grading the nutritional state of elderly patients. *Facts and Research in Gerontology Supplement* #2:15-24.
Rubenstein LZ, Harker J, Guigoz Y and Vellas B. Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment (CGA) and the MNA: An Overview of CGA, Nutritional Assessment, and Development of a Shortened Version of the MNA. In: "Mini Nutritional Assessment (MNA): Research and Practice in the Elderly", Vellas B, Garry PJ and Guigoz Y, editors. Nestlé Nutrition Workshop Series: Clinical & Performance Programme, vol. 1. Karger, Bâle, in press.

DISFAGIA

Cognome:

Nome:

Data:

Sesso:

Età:

Obiettivo:

Il test EAT-10 aiuta a misurare le sue difficoltà di deglutizione.

Può essere importante parlare con il suo medico per stabilire il trattamento adeguato ai suoi sintomi.

A. Istruzioni:

Risponda ad ogni domanda barrando il valore corrispondente all'entità del sintomo.

Consideri che: 0= nessun problema e 4= problema serio.

1) La difficoltà a deglutire mi ha causato una perdita di peso

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

6) Deglutire mi causa dolore

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

2) La difficoltà a deglutire mi rende difficile pranzare fuori casa

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

7) La difficoltà a deglutire mi riduce il piacere del pasto

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

3) Deglutire i liquidi mi risulta difficoltoso

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

8) Quando deglutisco, il cibo mi si ferma in gola

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

4) Deglutire cibi solidi mi risulta difficoltoso

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

9) Quando mangio tossisco

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

5) Ho difficoltà a deglutire i medicinali (pillole, compresse, capsule)

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

10) Deglutire mi genera ansia

☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

B. Punteggio:

Sommi i singoli punteggi e scrivi il totale nelle caselle.

Punteggio totale (massimo 40 punti)

C. Cosa fare dopo:

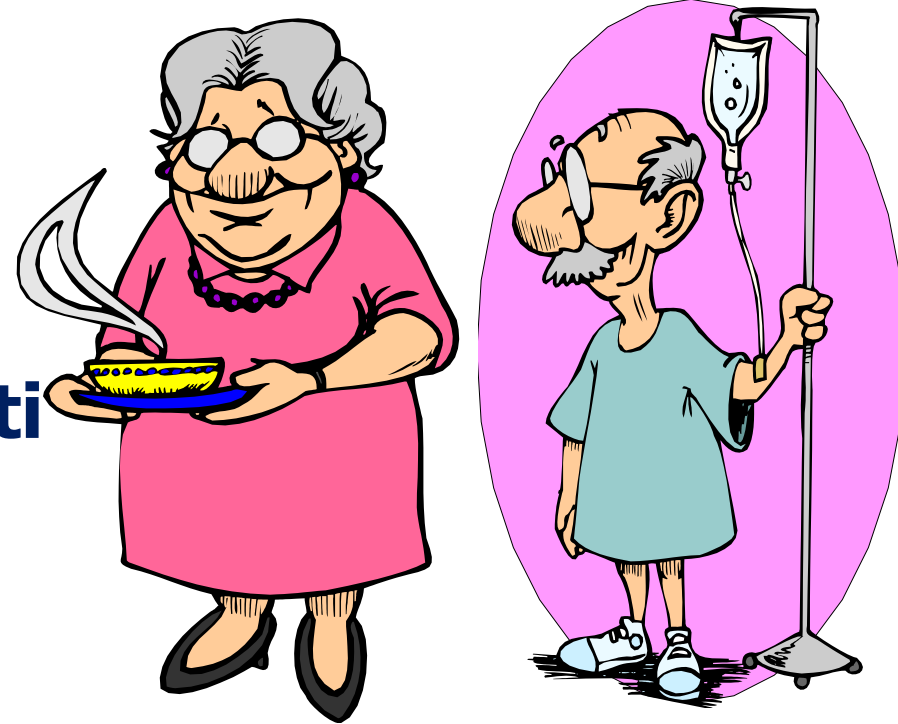
Se il suo punteggio totale è pari o maggiore di 3, potrebbe avere problemi a deglutire in modo corretto e sicuro. Le consigliamo di condividere i risultati del test EAT-10 con il suo medico.

Referenze: sono state determinate la validità e l'affidabilità del questionario EAT-10.

Belafsky PC, Mouadeb DA, Rees CJ, Pryor JC, Postma GN, Allen J, Leonard RJ. Validity and reliability of the Eating Assessment Tool (EAT-10). Annals Otolaryngology & Laryngology 2008; 117(12): 919-924

I deficit nutrizionali più frequenti nell'anziano

- **Proteico-calorica**
- **Vitamina D**
- **Vitamina B12**
- **Acido folico**
- **Vitamina B6**
- **Vitamine Antiossidanti**
- **Zinco**
- **Calcio**
- **Magnesio**
- **Ferro**

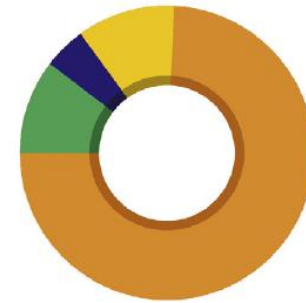
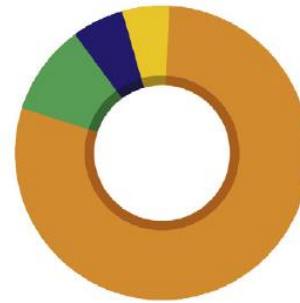
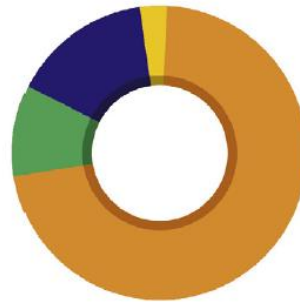
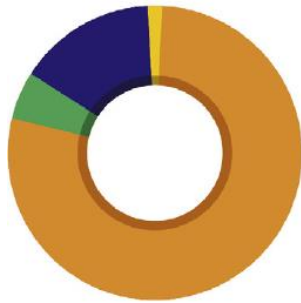
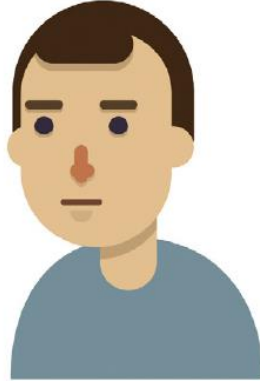


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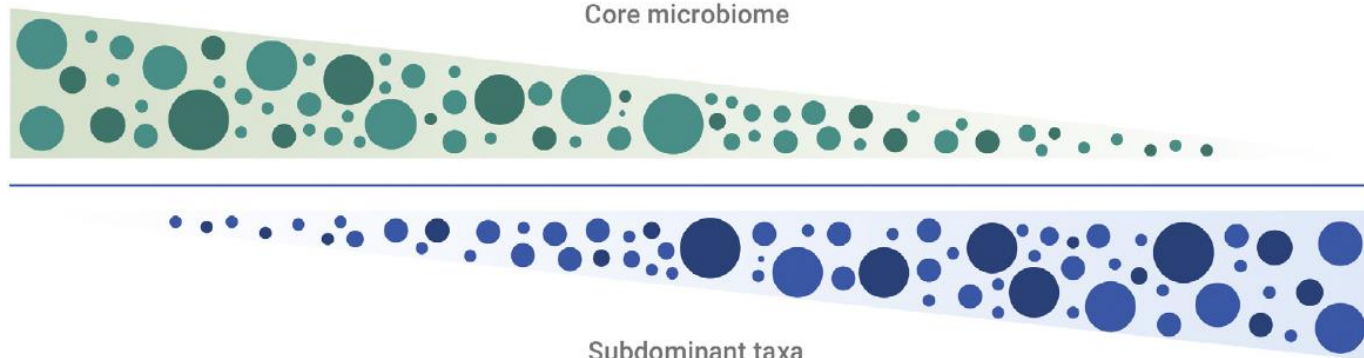
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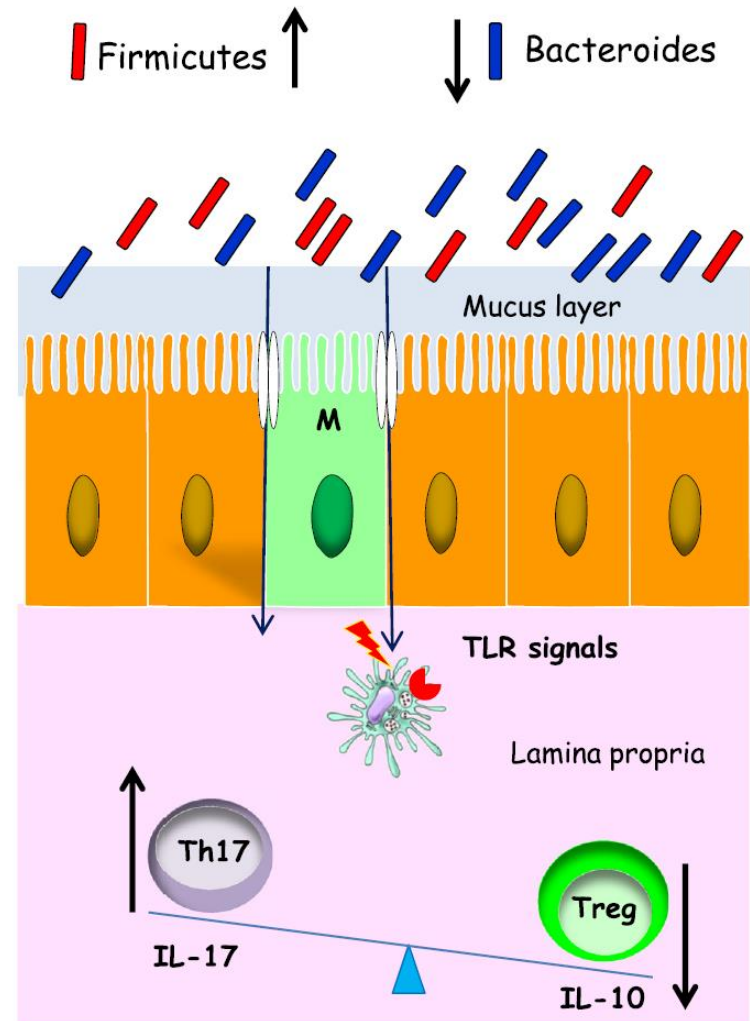
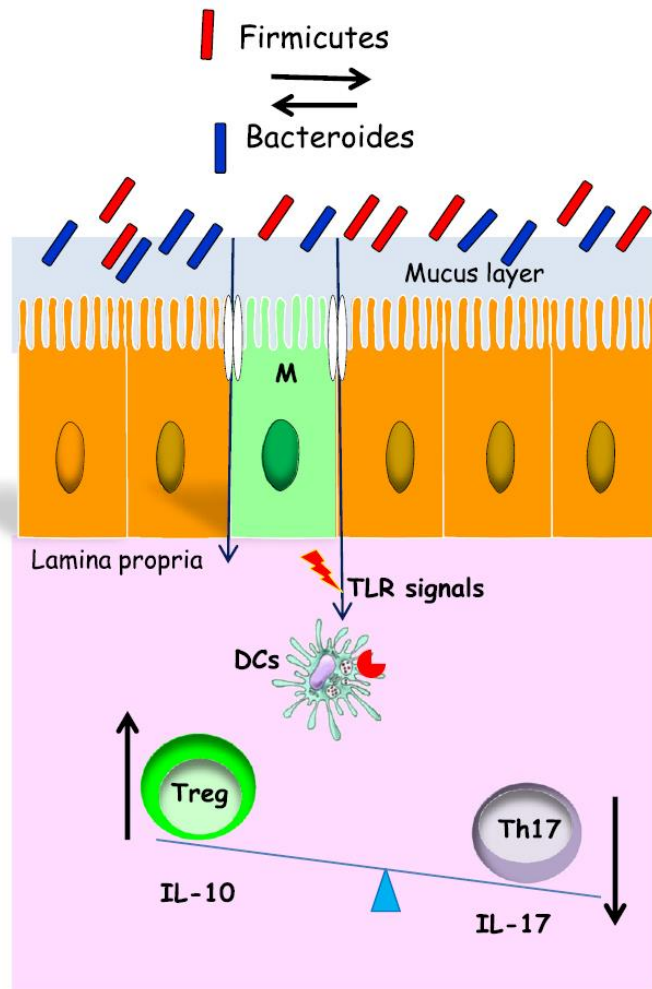
ELDERLY

CENTENARIAN



● Bacteroidetes ● Firmicutes ● Actinobacteria ● Proteobacteria





Effectiveness and efficacy of nutritional therapy

Effectiveness and efficacy of nutritional therapy: A systematic review following Cochrane methodology

Q1 - Is malnutrition an independent predictive factor for readmission within 30 d from hospital discharge?

R - 6 of 15 observational studies Yes, 9 No.

Q2 - Does nutritional therapy reduce the risk of readmission within 30 d from hospital discharge?

R – 9 RCTs and 2 MA gave non-conclusive results.

Effectiveness and efficacy of nutritional therapy: A systematic review following Cochrane methodology

Q3 - Is nutritional therapy cost-effective/does it reduce costs in hospitalized patients?

R - Economic benefit and cost-effectiveness consistent in 16 studies for hospitalized patients.

Q4 - Is nutritional therapy cost effective/does it reduce costs in outpatients?

R – Heterogeneous and limited data on out-patients indicated cost-benefits in some selected sub-groups.



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Original Study

Prevalence and Determinants of Poor Food Intake of Residents Living in Long-Term Care

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- E and P intake in LTC, prevalence and association of covariates with food intake
- 32 NH from 4 provinces in Canada. N=628, 86.3 y
- 3-d weighed food intake to measure E and P intake
- Diagnoses, medications, and diet prescription
- MNA-SF, **oral health** and dysphagia risk
- **Mealtime Relational Care Checklist**: interaction with staff
- **Dining Environment Audit Protocol**
- **Mealtime Scan**: mealtime experience and ambiance
- **Person Directed Care questionnaire**: features of the home and food services

- E intake= 1571.9 ± 411.9 kcal; P 58.4 ± 18 g/d.
- Requiring eating assistance was negatively associated with E and P intake.
- Male, higher MNA-SF, and dementia care unit (all w more assistance) were positively associated with E and P intake.
- E intake was + associated with person-centered care practices.
- P intake was + associated with more dietitian time.

Conclusion:

First study to consider resident, unit, staff, and home variables associated with food intake.

Interventions focused on pureed food, restorative dining, eating assistance, and person-centered care practices may support improved food intake and should be the target for further research.







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Original Study

Effects of a Home-Based and Volunteer-Administered Physical Training, Nutritional, and Social Support Program on Malnutrition and Frailty in Older Persons: A Randomized Controlled Trial



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- RCT, home-based physical training and nutritional intervention program and social support intervention on nutritional and frailty status in the community.
- Mean 83 y, frail and prefrail, PTN n=39, social support n=41. Twice a week.
- 6 strength exercises and discussion of nutrition-related aspects.
- MNA and frailty status (SHARE-FI) at baseline and after 12 weeks.
- Improvements in MNA score (1.54 points, $P=.004$) and SHARE-FI score (0.71, $P <.001$) PTN group.
- Impaired nutritional status decreased by 25% in PTN group and by 23% in SoSu group.
- Frailty decreased by 17% in the PTN group and by 16% in the SoSu group.

Table 2
Effects on Nutritional and Frailty Status After 12 Weeks

Scores	Group	Baseline		12 Weeks		Change	Within-Subject Effect		Between-Subject Effect	
		Mean (SD)	P*	Mean (SD)	P*	Relative (%)	Mean (95% CI)	P†	β (95% CI)	P‡
MNA-LF, points [§]	PTN	23.7 (3.4)	.940	25.2 (3.2)	.492	7.6	1.54 (0.51–2.56)	.004	0.27 (–1.13 to 1.67)	.700
	SoSu	24.2 (3.2)		25.1 (3.6)		5.4	0.98 (–0.27 to 2.22)	.121	0	
SHARE-FI, DFS	PTN	3.0 (1.1)	.297	2.3 (1.2)	.655	–21.8	–0.71 (–1.07 to –0.35)	<.001	–0.30 (–0.75 to 0.15)	.187
	SoSu	2.8 (1.0)		2.4 (1.3)		–13.7	–0.35 (–0.66 to –0.04)	.027	0	

Conclusion: Intervention conducted by nonprofessionals is feasible and can help to tackle malnutrition and frailty in older persons living at home, potentially preventing health risks and relieving isolation and loneliness.

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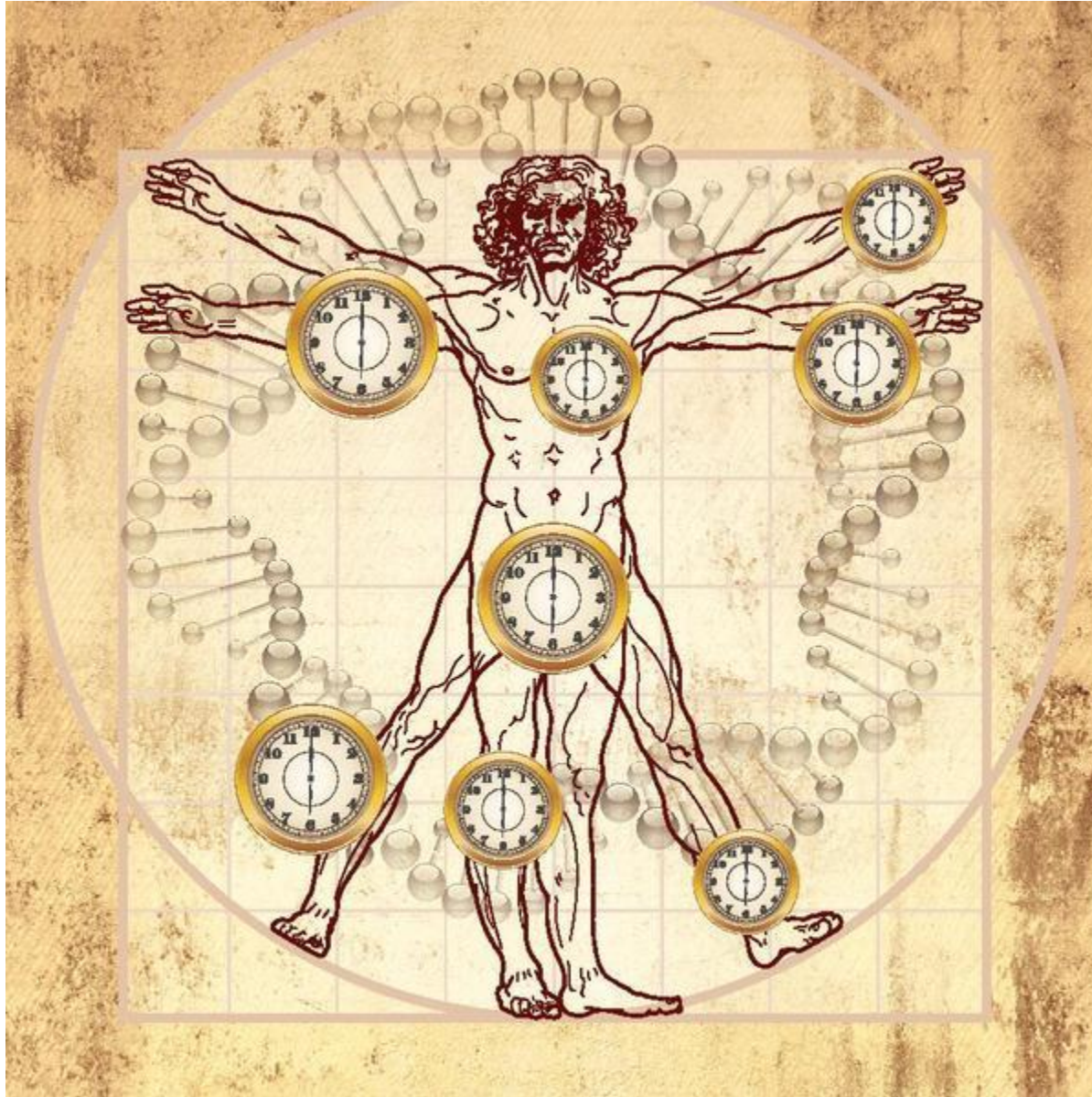
Si vive meglio e di più!







Epigenetic clock, Horvath's clock, or DNA methylation age

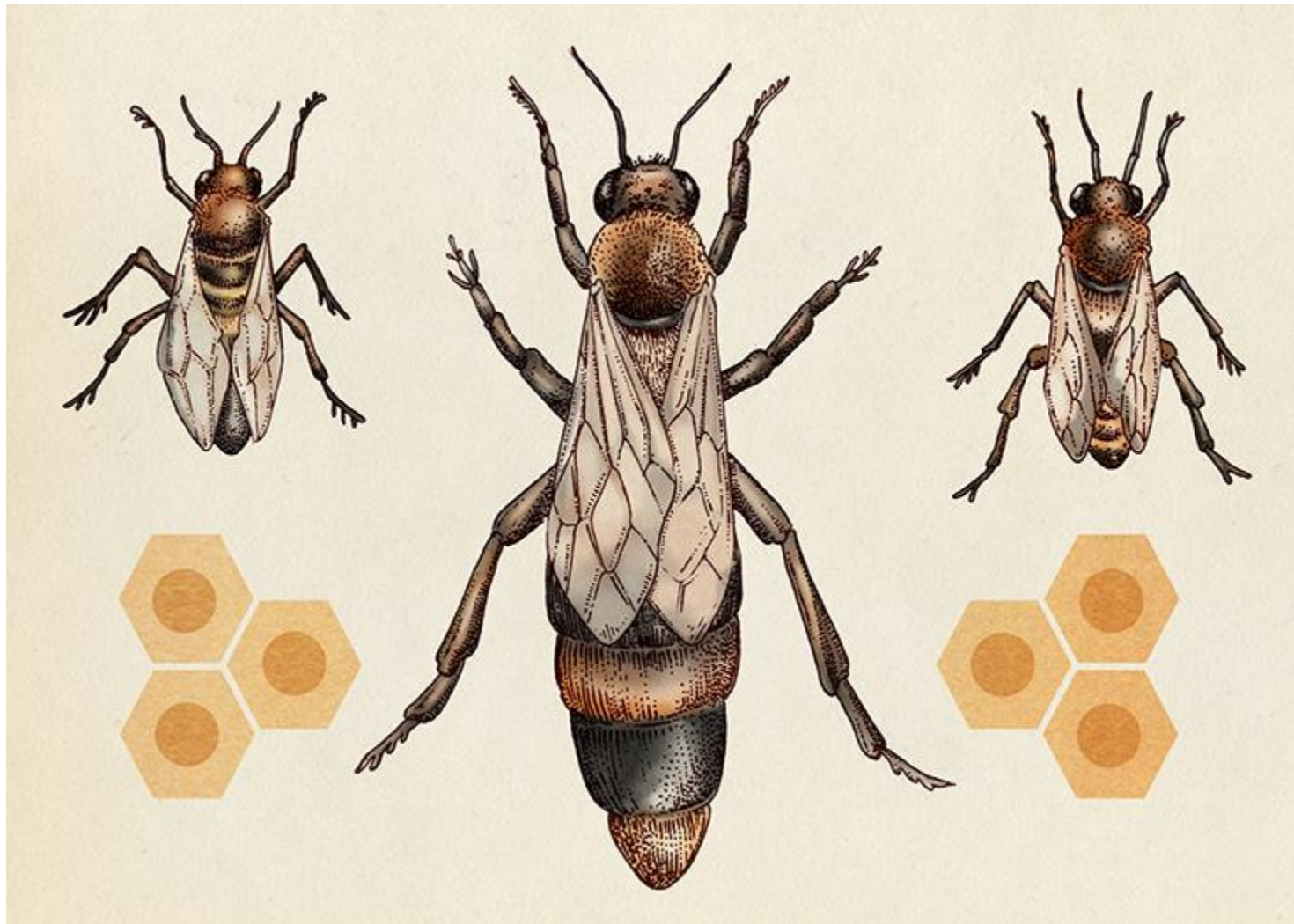


Age prediction method based on 353 epigenetic markers on the DNA



6 weeks

2 years



ROYAL TREATMENT: The only difference between the queen and the worker is their diet!

Da ricordare....

- ❑ Un corretto assessment nutrizionale è cruciale in tutti i setting geriatrici perché la **M** è frequente e sotto-diagnosticsata
- ❑ La sarcopenia è una complicanza funzionale molto rilevante della **M** nell'anziano
- ❑ Per prevenire la iponutrizione è necessaria una identificazione precoce e la implementazione di interventi nutrizionali corretti
- ❑ La valutazione nutrizionale fa parte della Valutazione Multidimensionale Geriatrica

Patch Adams



Grazie per la cortese attenzione