

The new EWGSOP2 consensus on sarcopenia

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First steps

1st Workshop on Sarcopenia – NIA
September 19-21, 1994

"Sarcopenia" is a generic term for the loss of skeletal muscle mass, quality, and strength that can lead to frailty in the elderly.

There is no universally agreed definition of sarcopenia



- EWGSOP (2010): 5287 citations
- IWGS (2011): 1488 citations
- AWGS (2014): 935 citations
- FNIH (2014): 535 citations

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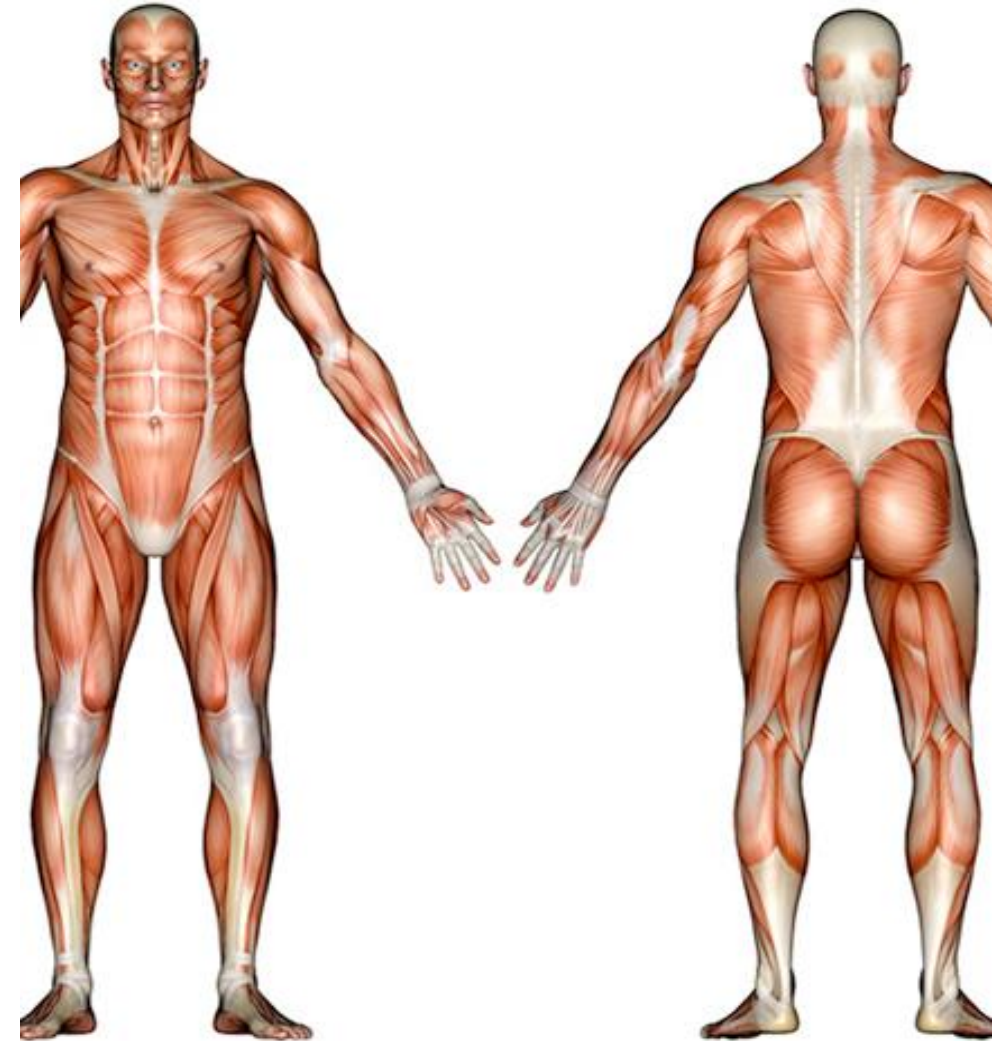
Human muscles

600 muscles in human body

Skeletal muscles: 40-45% of total body mass

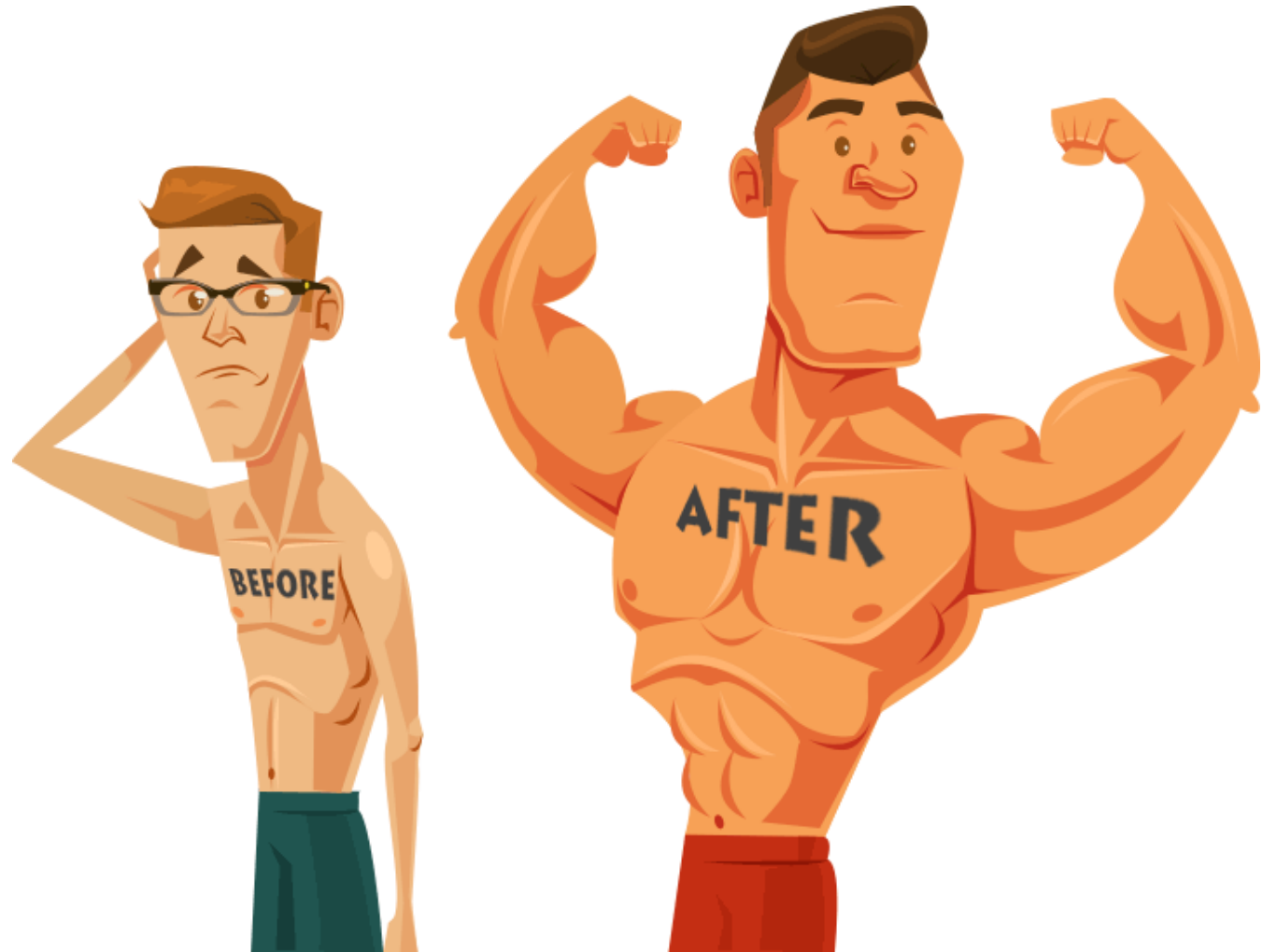
55% of skeletal muscle mass in lower limbs

50% of total body protein is in muscles



2010

This year, there was a **major change** in the concept of sarcopenia





Muscle
mass

AND

Muscle
function



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July 2011

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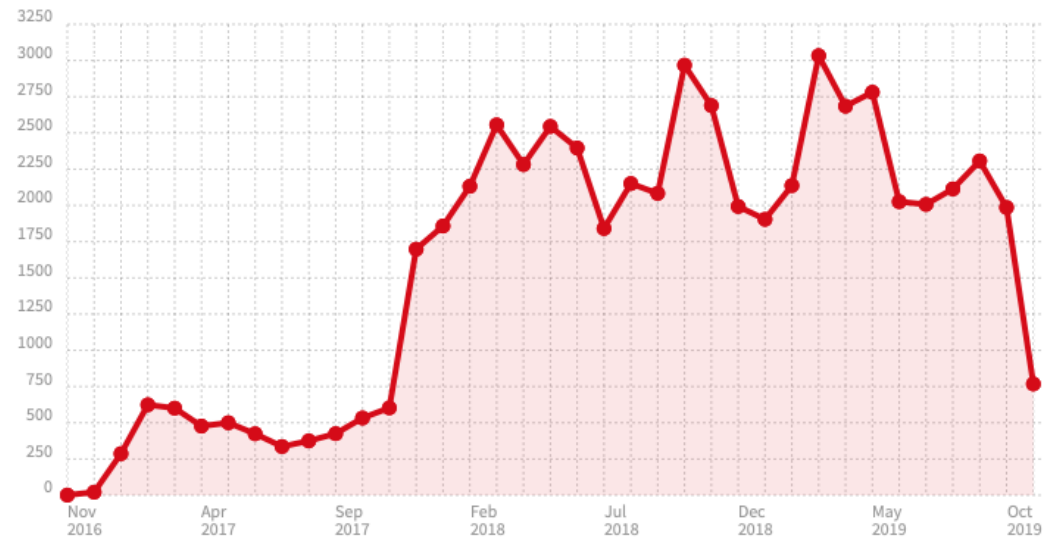
Sarcopenia: European prevalence and diagnosis

Report of the European Sarcopenia Working Group
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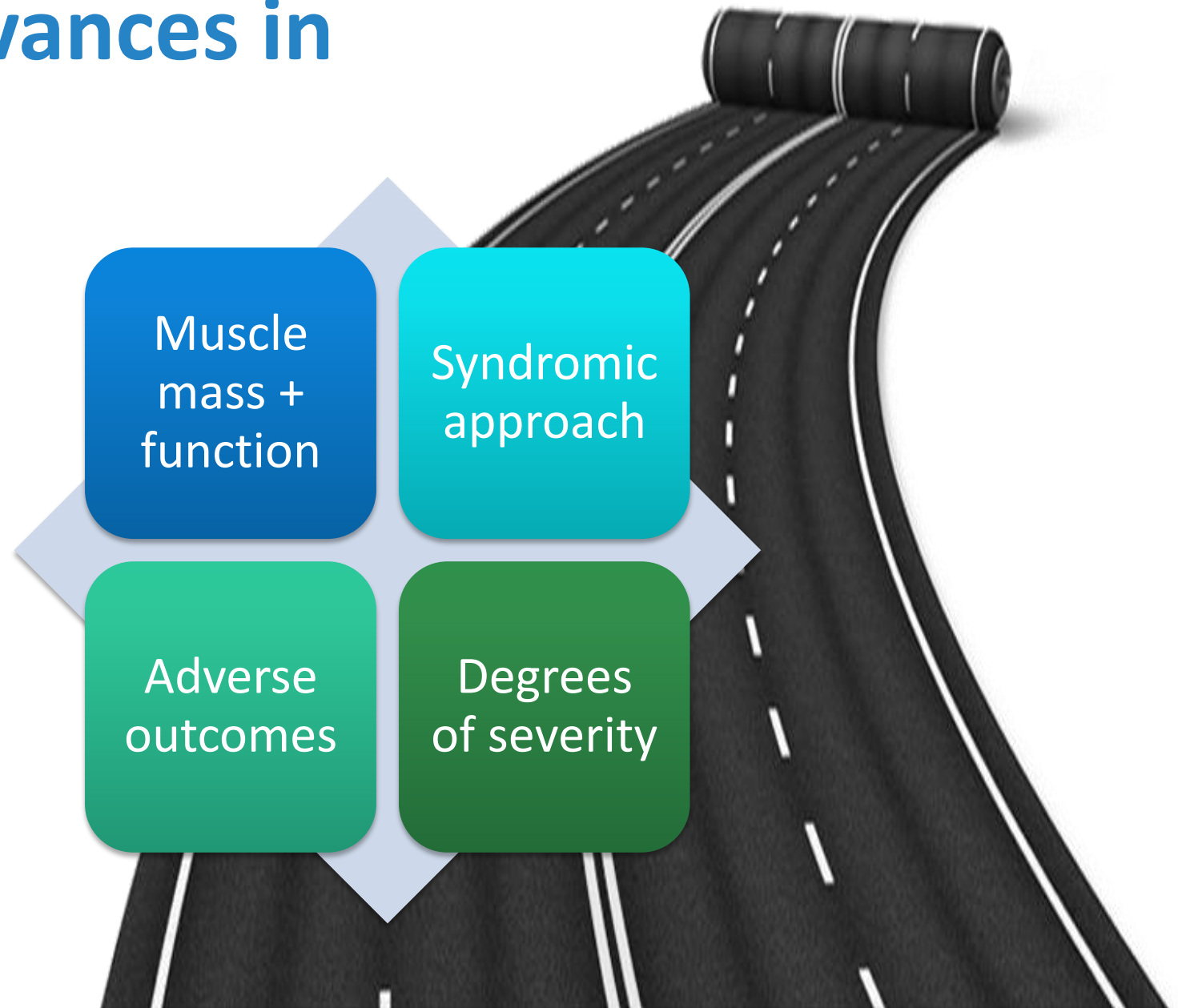
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Conceptual advances in sarcopenia

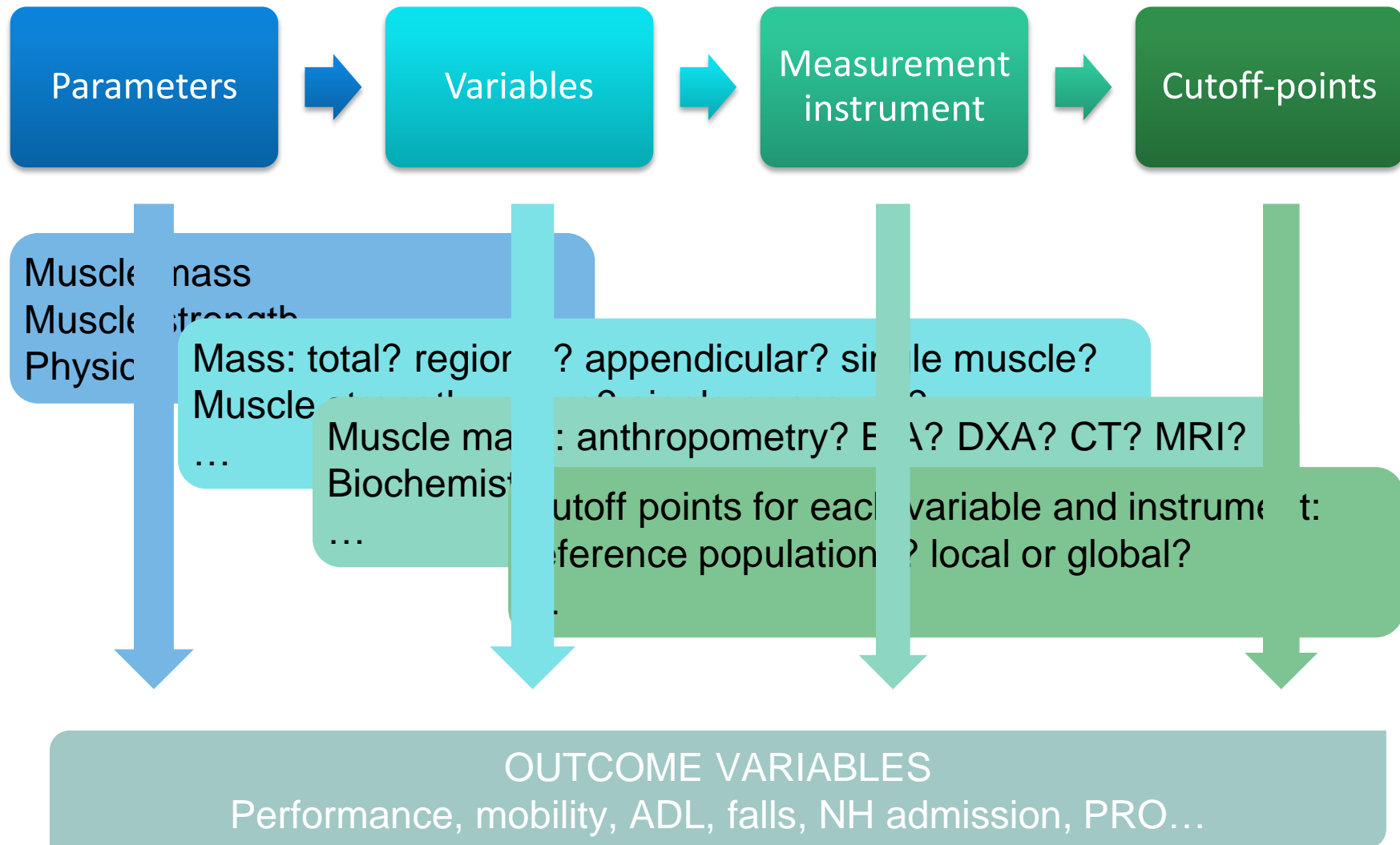




So...
where is the problem?

Problems to be addressed

- Sarcopenia begins **earlier in life** (important for interventions and prevention).
- Conceptualization of sarcopenia as a **muscle disease**.
- Problems in accurately **measuring** and categorizing **muscle mass and muscle quality**.
- **Outcome measures** for interventions not agreed.
- SARCOPENIA HAS NOT REACHED **MAINSTREAM CLINICAL PRACTICE** (is it still too complicated)?



!!! BIENVENIDOS !!!



An update of the 2010 definition

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Sarcopenia: revised European consensus on definition and diagnosis

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EWGSOP2

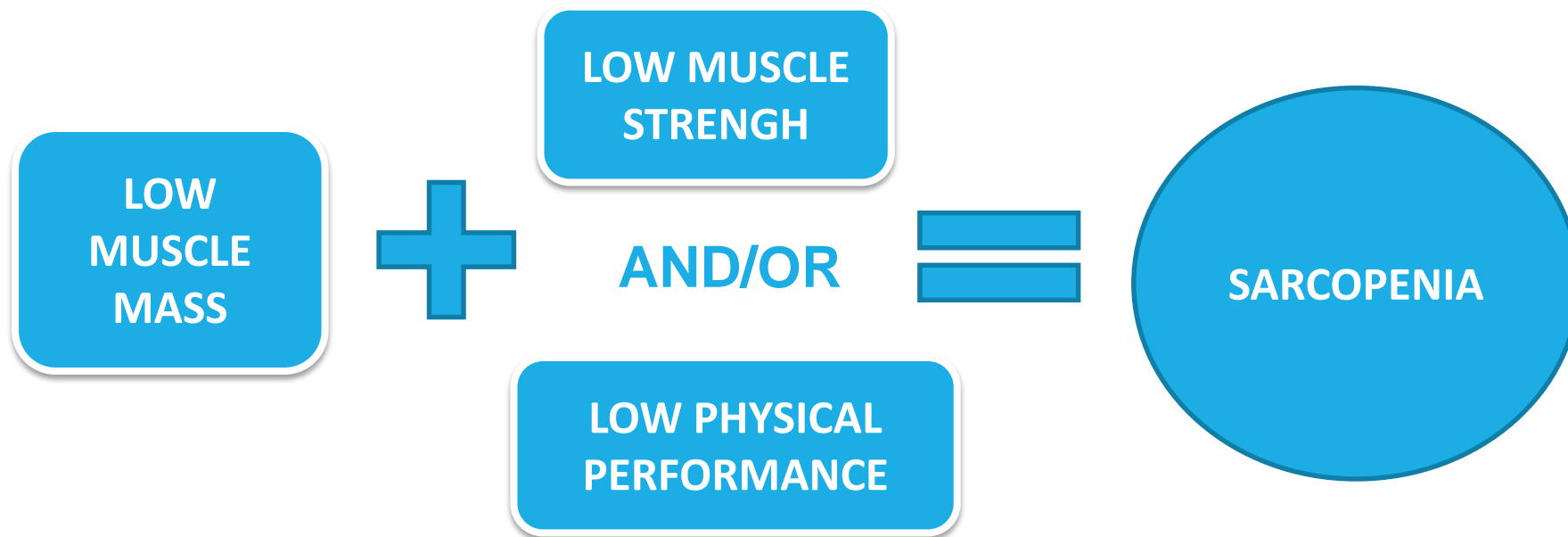
Definition of sarcopenia

Sarcopenia is a progressive and generalized skeletal muscle disorder that is associated with increased likelihood of adverse outcomes including falls, fractures, physical disability, and mortality.

Muscle failure

EWGSOP2

Operational definition of sarcopenia: EWGSOP



New operational definition of sarcopenia: EWGSOP2



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Case finding

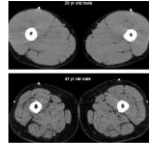
- In clinical practice, case-finding may start when a patient reports **symptoms or signs of sarcopenia** (i.e., falling, feeling weak, slow walking speed, difficulty rising from a chair, or weight loss/muscle wasting). In such cases, further testing for sarcopenia is recommended.
- EWGSOP2 recommends use of the **SARC-F questionnaire** as a way to elicit self-reports.

Measuring sarcopenia parameters



MUSCLE STRENGTH

- Handgrip strength
- Chair stand test



MUSCLE QUANTITY

- DXA
- (BIA)
- CT / MRI



PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE

- Gait speed
- SPPB
- TUG
- 400 m walk

Alternative and new tools

- Lumbar 3rd vertebra imaging by computed tomography
- Mid-thigh muscle measurement
- Psoas muscle measurement with computed tomography
- Muscle quality measurements?
- Creatine dilution test
- Ultrasound assessment of muscle
- Specific biomarkers or panels of biomarkers
- SarQoL questionnaire

Cut-off points!

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EWGSOP sarcopenia cut-off points for low performance			
Gait speed	≤ 0.8 m/sec		Cruz-Jentoft, 2010[1] Studenski, 2011[84]
SPPB	≤ 8 point score		Pavasini, 2016[90] Guralnik, 1995[126]
TUG	≥ 20 sec		Bischoff, 2003[127]
400m walk test	Non-completion or ≥ 6 min for completion		Newman, 2006[128]

New algorithm

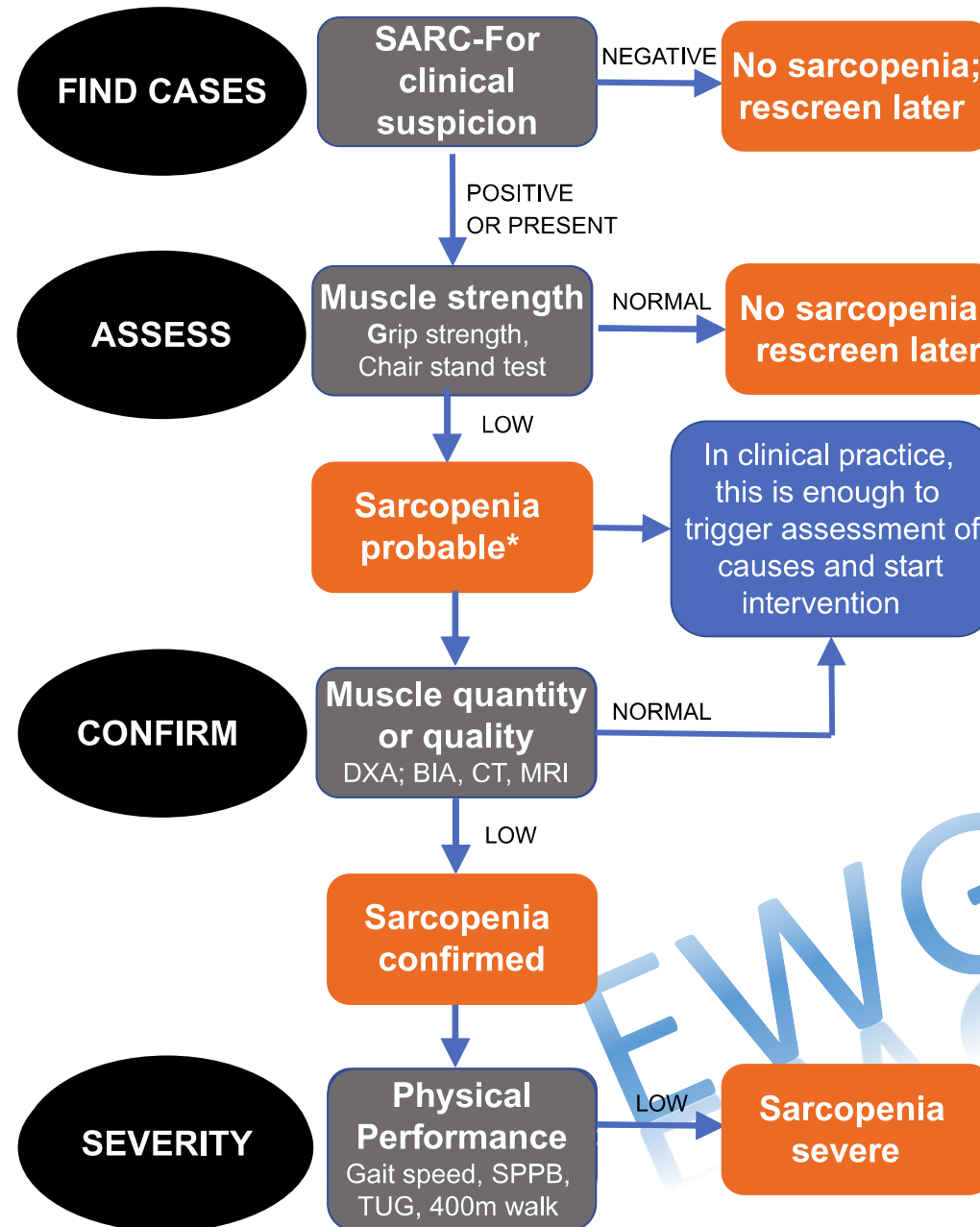
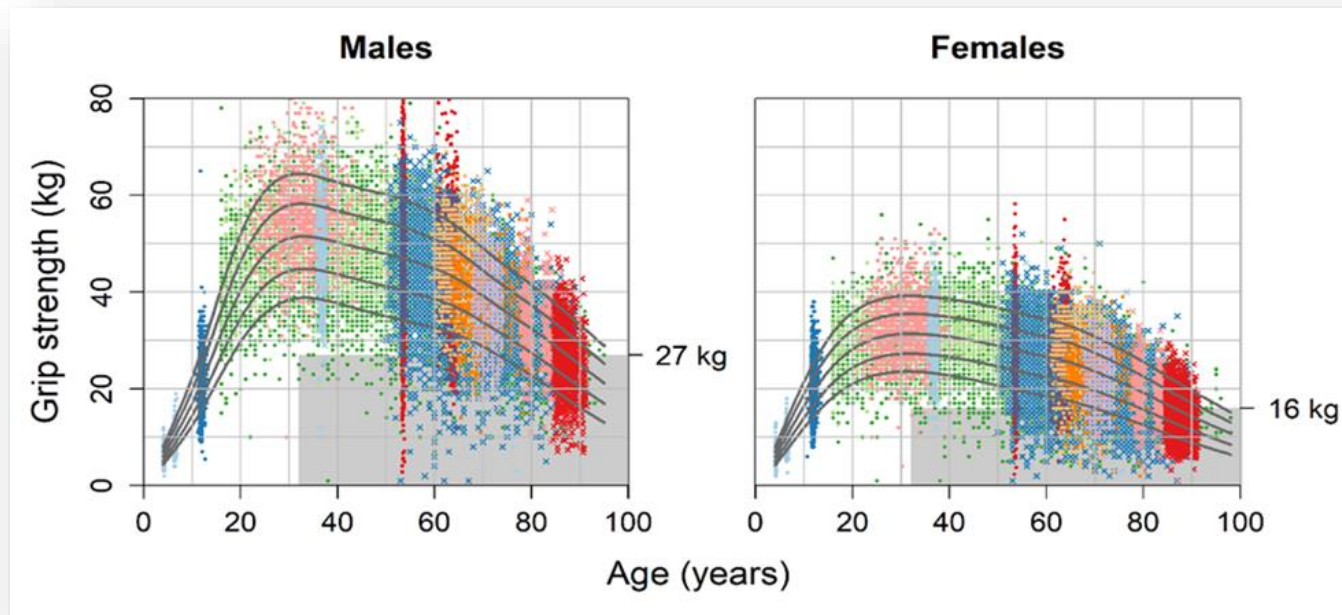
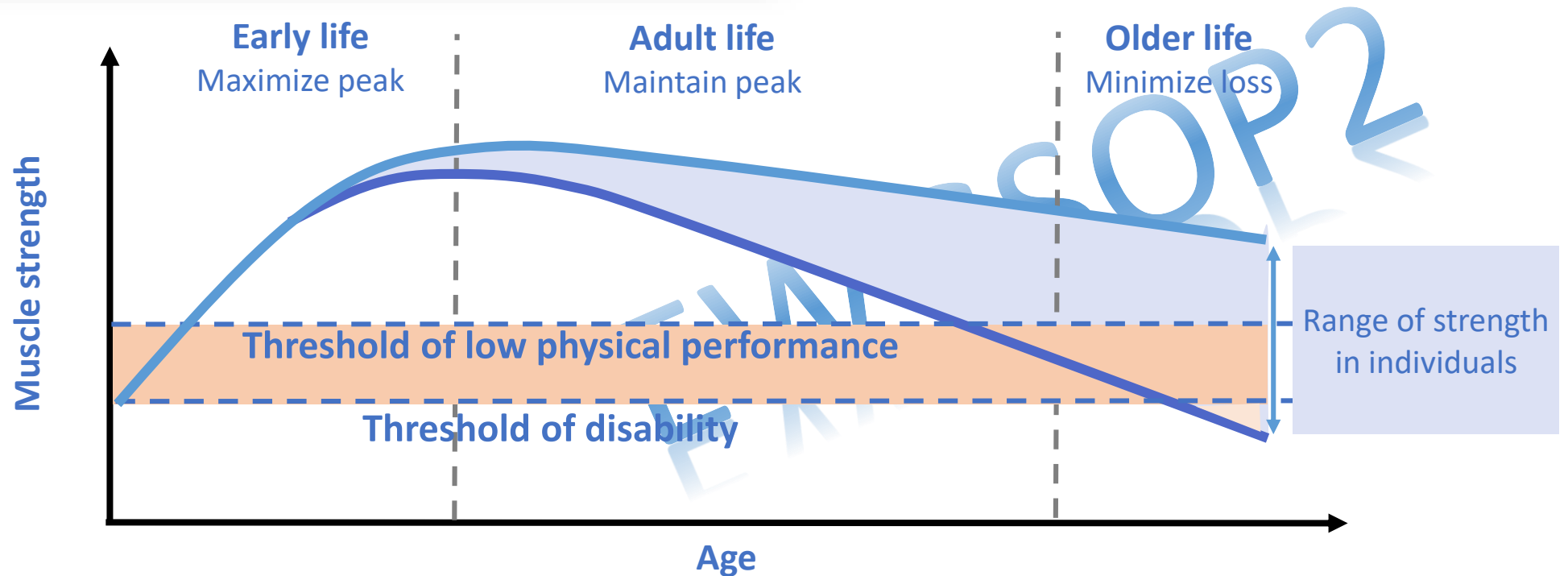


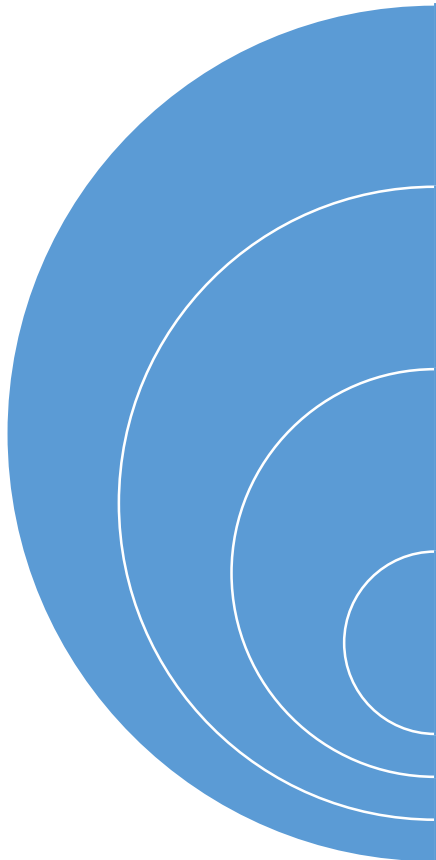
Figure 1. Sarcopenia: EWGSOP2 algorithm for case-finding, making a diagnosis and quantifying severity in practice. The steps of the pathway are represented as Find-Assess-Confirm-Severity or F-A-C-S. *Consider other reasons for low muscle strength (e.g. depression, stroke, balance disorders, peripheral vascular disorders).



Time course



Sarcopenia categories



Aging	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age-associated muscle loss
Disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inflammatory conditions (e.g., organ failure, malignancy)• Osteoarthritis• Neurological disorders
Inactivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sedentary behavior (e.g., limited mobility or bedrest)• Physical inactivity
Malnutrition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Under-nutrition or malabsorption• Medication-related anorexia• Over-nutrition/obesity

Acute and chronic sarcopenia

- **Acute sarcopenia:** less than 6 months.
 - *Usually related to an acute illness or injury.*
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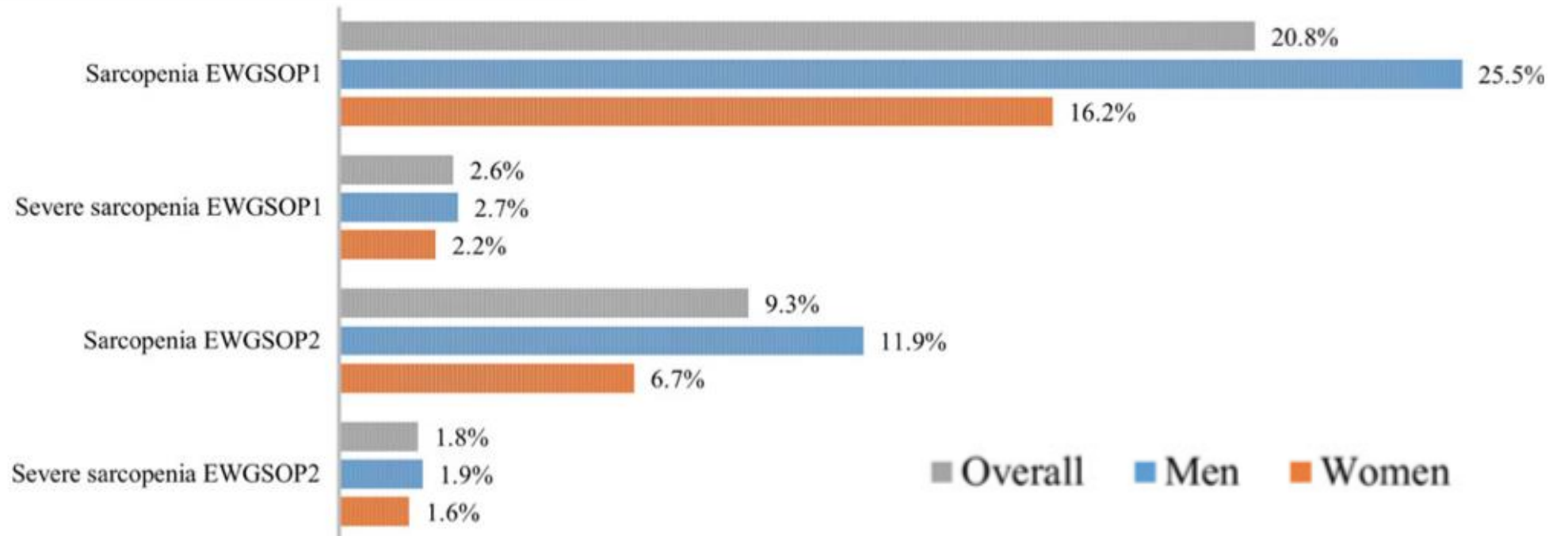
Some gaps in research

- ❑ How can we identify older persons at high risk of sarcopenia?
- ❑ Need of normative data to define validated cut-off points
- ❑ Management of stature-, gender- and region-dependent measures.
- ❑ What muscle quality indicators best predict outcomes?
- ❑ What are the kinetics of muscle loss?
- ❑ What outcomes are best used as sensitive measures of response to sarcopenia treatments?

SHORT REPORT

Prevalence of sarcopenia in community-dwelling older adults using the definition of the European Working Group on Sarcopenia in Older People 2: findings from the Korean Frailty and Aging Cohort Study

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Trabajo Original

Nutrición en el anciano

Diagnóstico y prevalencia de sarcopenia en residencias de mayores: EWGSOP2 frente al EWGSOP1

Diagnosis and prevalence of sarcopenia in long-term care homes: EWGSOP2 versus EWGSOP1

Ana Isabel Rodríguez-Rejón¹, María Dolores Ruiz-López^{1,2} y Reyes Artacho¹

Tabla III. Prevalencia encontrada en el Granada Sarcopenia Study de los distintos estadios conceptuales de la sarcopenia según el EWGSOP1 y el EWGSOP2

Categorías	Requisitos	Prevalencia según el algoritmo del EWGSOP1	Prevalencia según el algoritmo del EWGSOP2
Presarcopenia	Masa muscular baja (IMME)*	63,6%	-
Sarcopenia probable	Fuerza muscular baja [†]	-	91,2%
Sarcopenia	Masa muscular baja (IMME) + (Fuerza muscular baja o rendimiento físico bajo) [‡]	63%	-
	Fuerza muscular baja + Masa muscular baja (IMMEA) [§]	-	60,1% [¶]
Sarcopenia grave	Fuerza muscular baja + Masa muscular baja (IMME) + Rendimiento físico bajo [‡]	61,2%	-
	Fuerza muscular baja + Masa muscular baja (IMMEA) + Rendimiento físico bajo	-	58,1%**

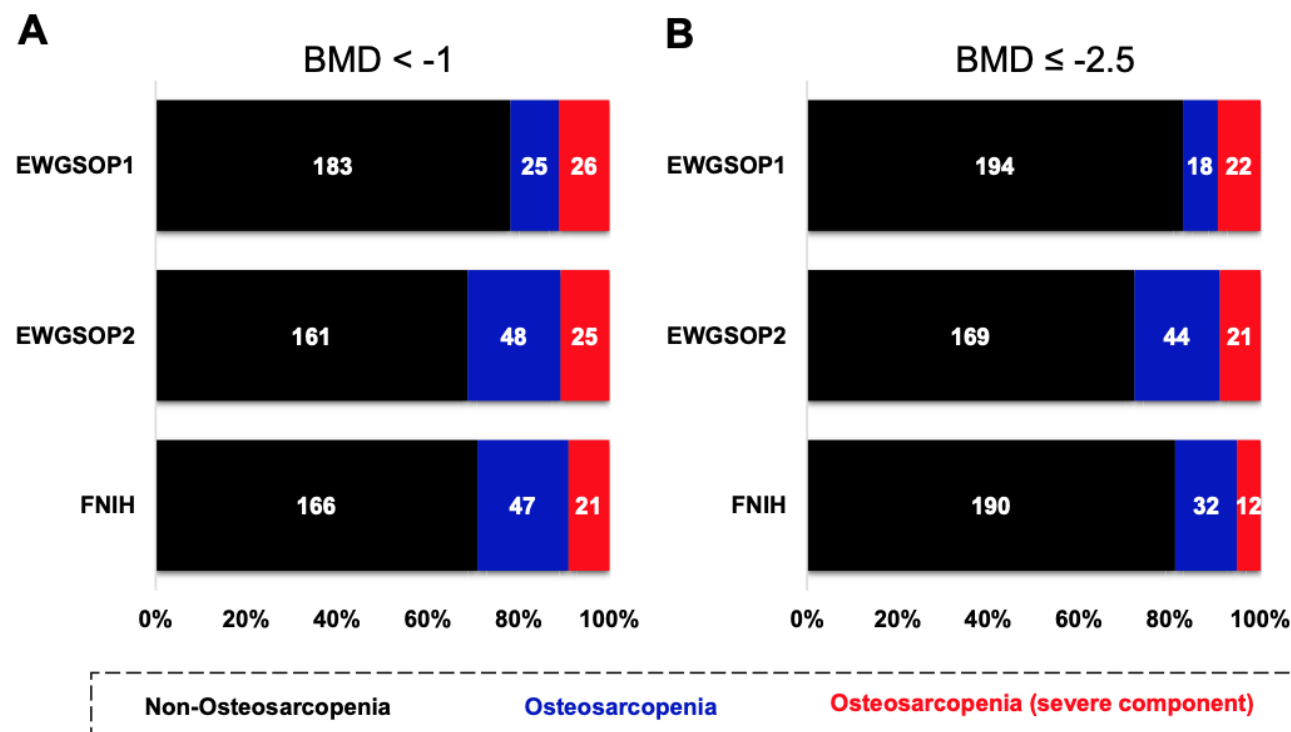
Original Study

The Joint Occurrence of Osteoporosis and Sarcopenia (Osteosarcopenia): Definitions and Characteristics

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Compared with the nonosteosarcopenic group, those with osteosarcopenia had greater impairment of physical performance and balance.

The EWGSOP2 and FNIH criteria resulted in the strongest associations with physical performance and self-reported falls and fractures.



SHORT REPORT

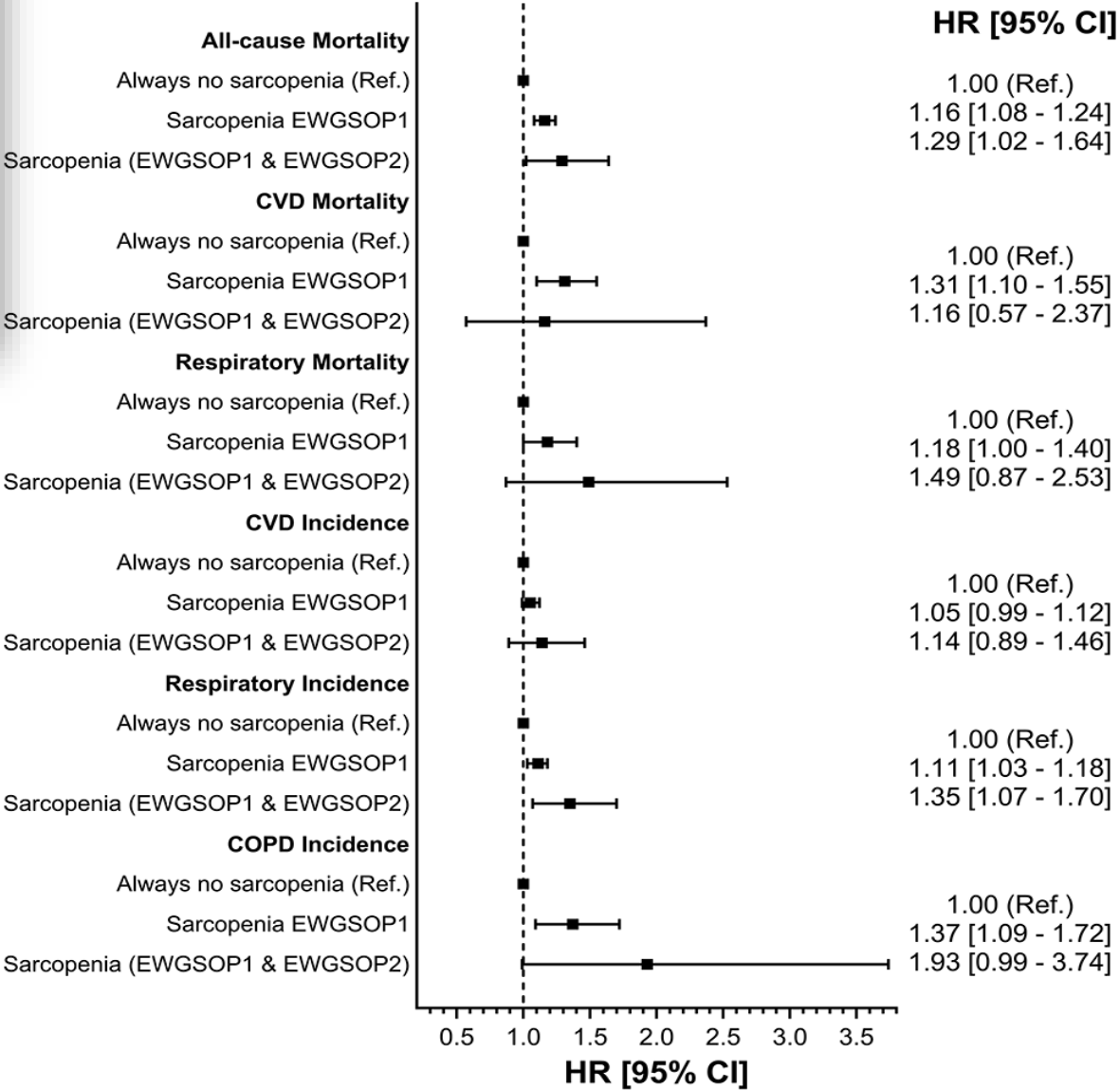
New versus old guidelines for sarcopenia classification: What is the impact on prevalence and health outcomes?

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UK Biobank cohort

Prevalence of sarcopenia EWGSOP18.14%

Prevalence of sarcopenia EWGSOP20.36%



Comparing EWGSOP2 and FNIH Sarcopenia Definitions: Agreement and Three-Year Survival Prognostic Value in Older Hospitalized Adults. The GLISTEN Study

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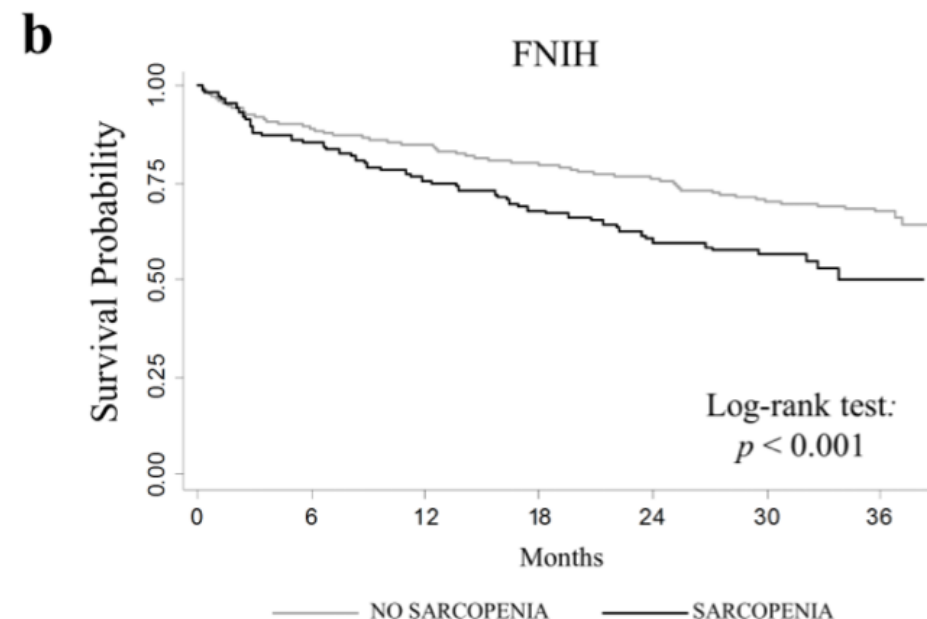
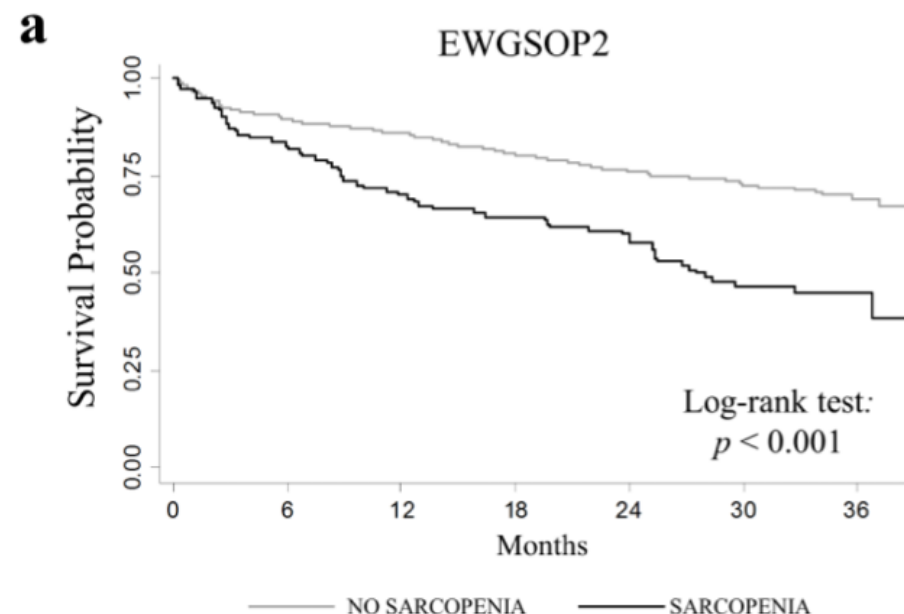
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Sarcopenia prevalence was 22.8% and 23.9% using EWGSOP2 and FNIH criteria respectively, with a low classification agreement.

Only EWGSOP2 definition predicted 3-years mortality (HR 1.84).



New operational definition of sarcopenia: EWGSOP2



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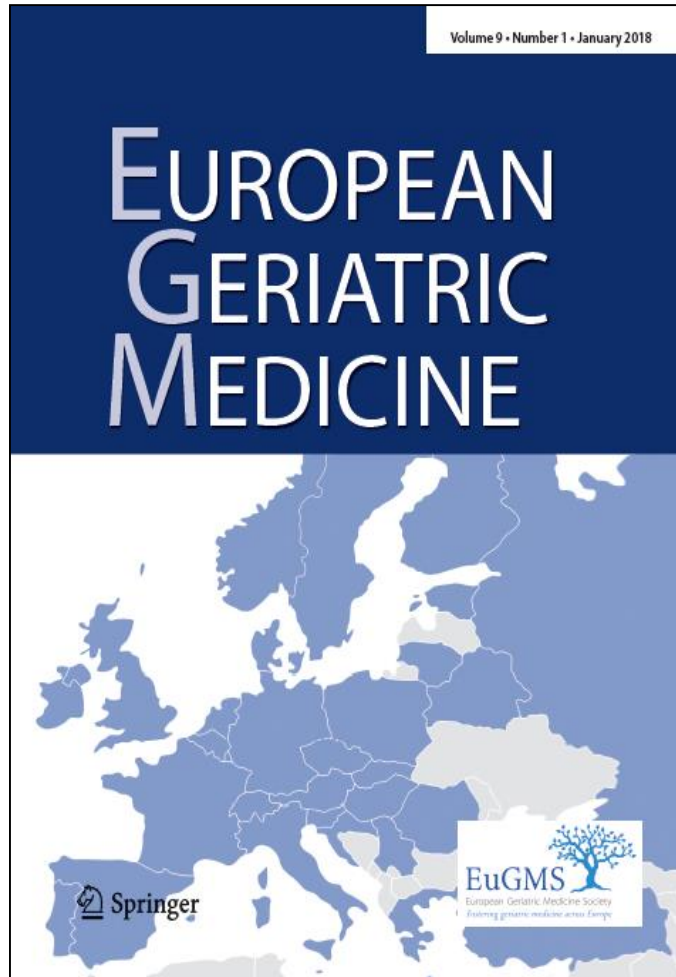
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