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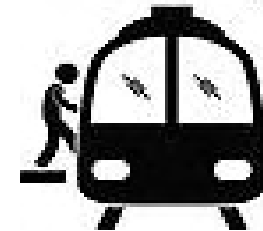
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Physical Inactivity

Behaviors with EE <1.5 Mets (SBRN)

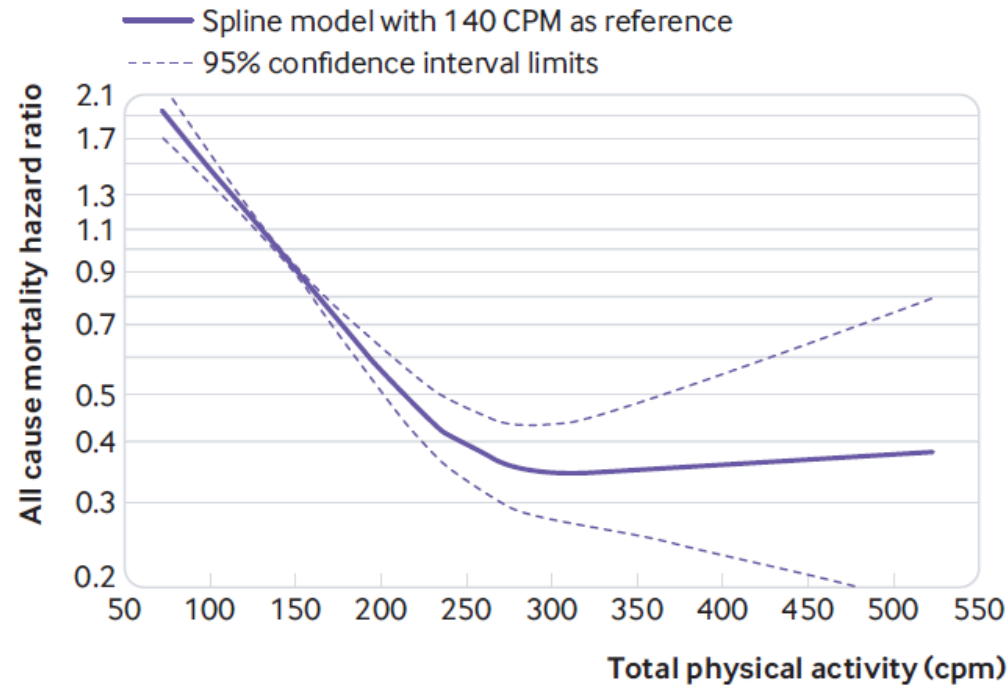
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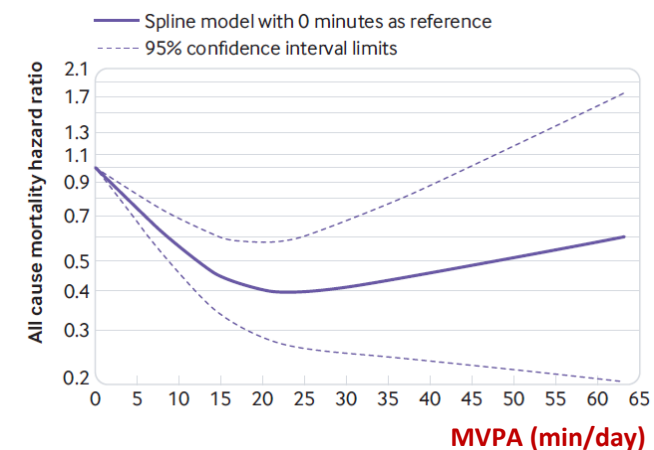
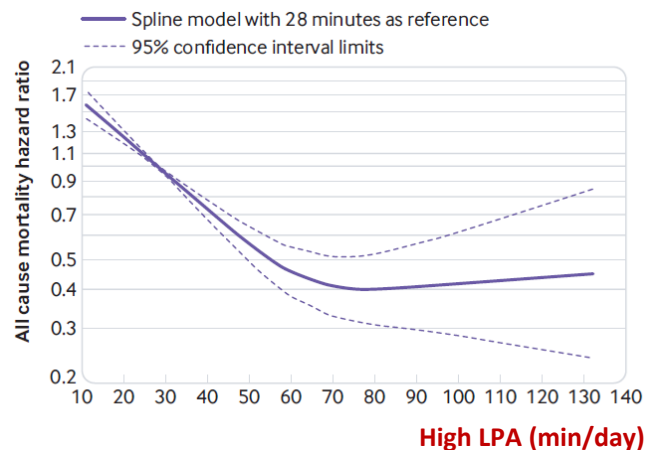
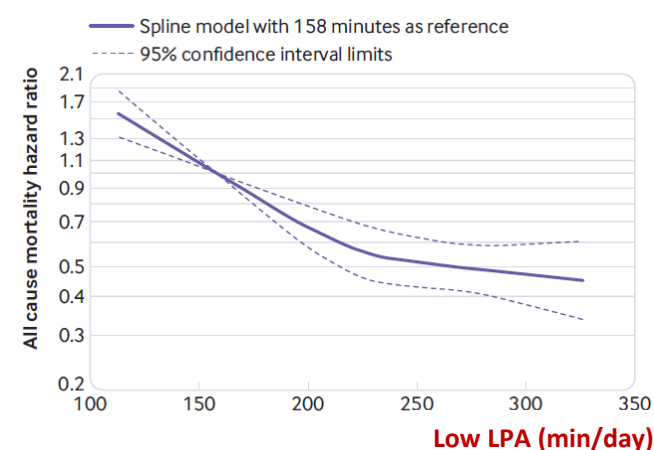
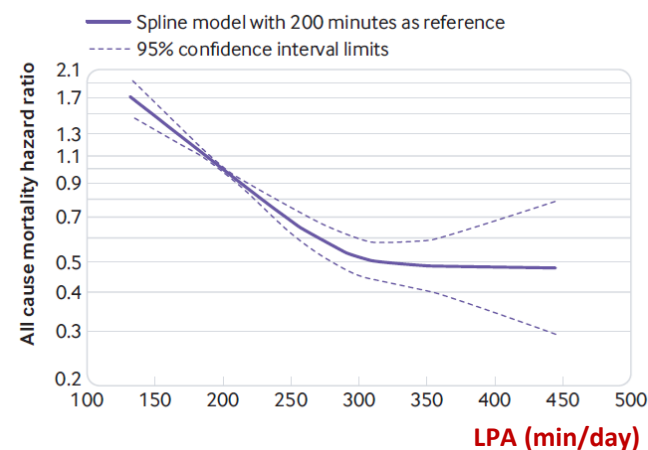
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Total volume of physical activity, irrespective of intensity, is associated with a substantially reduced risk of death

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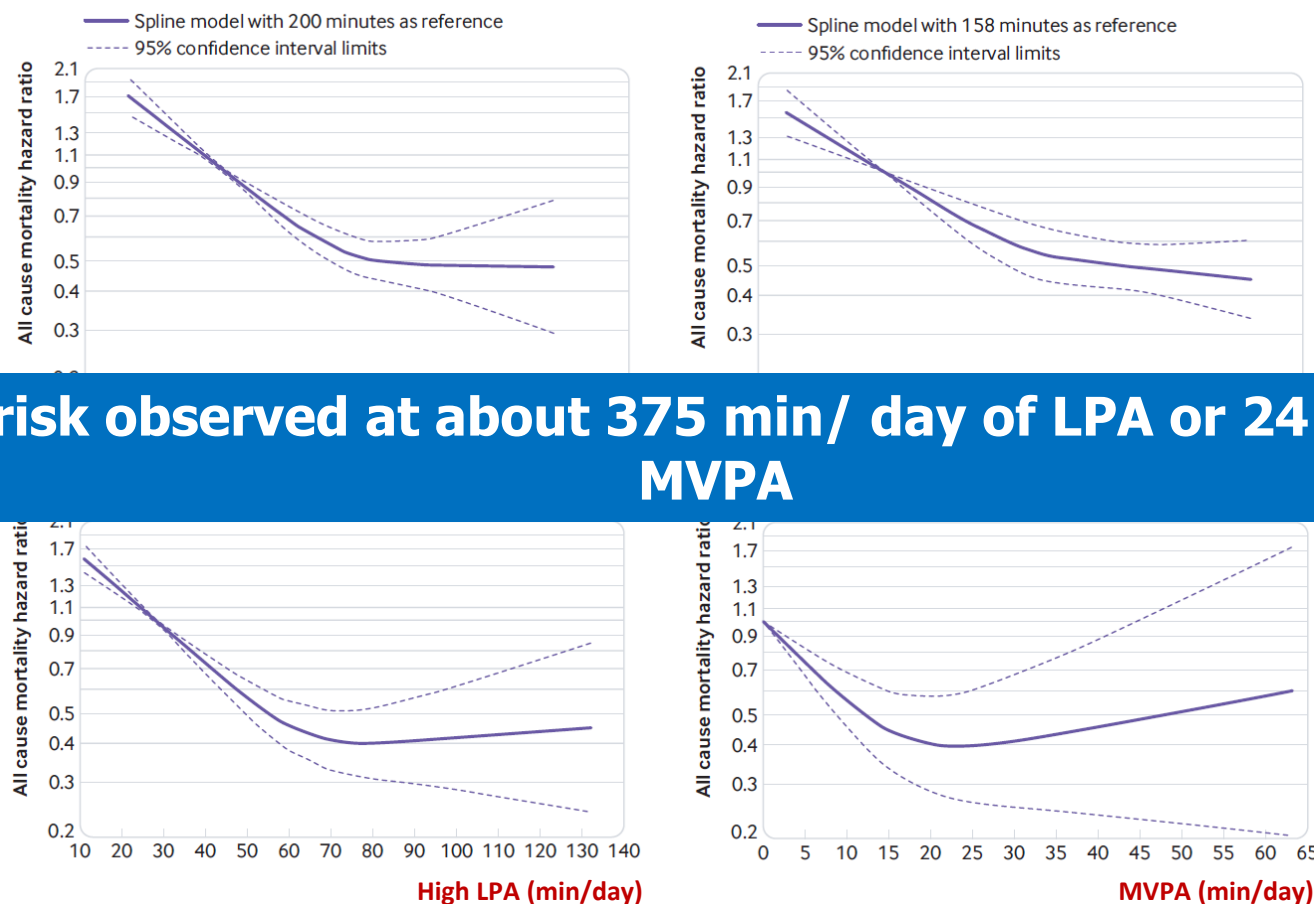
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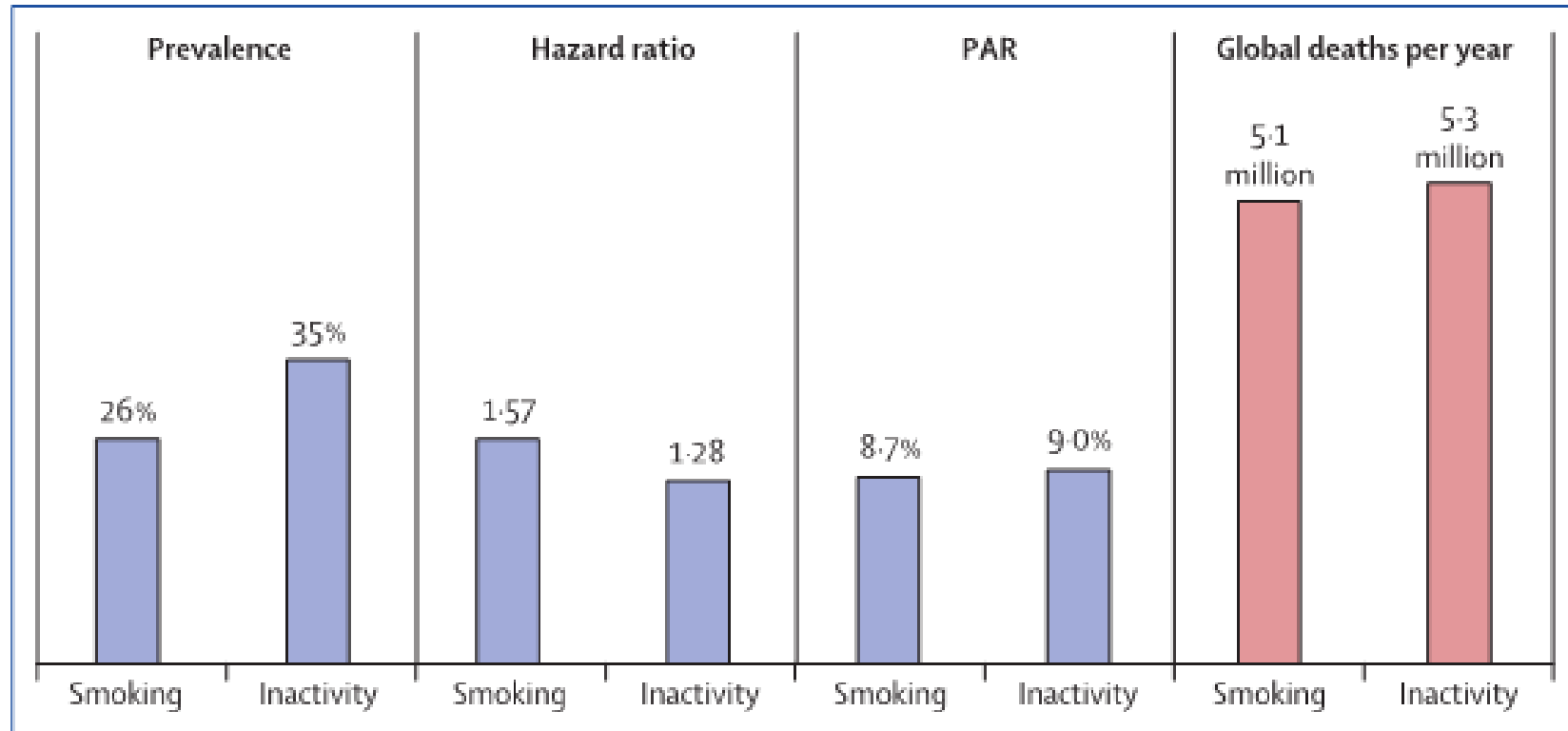
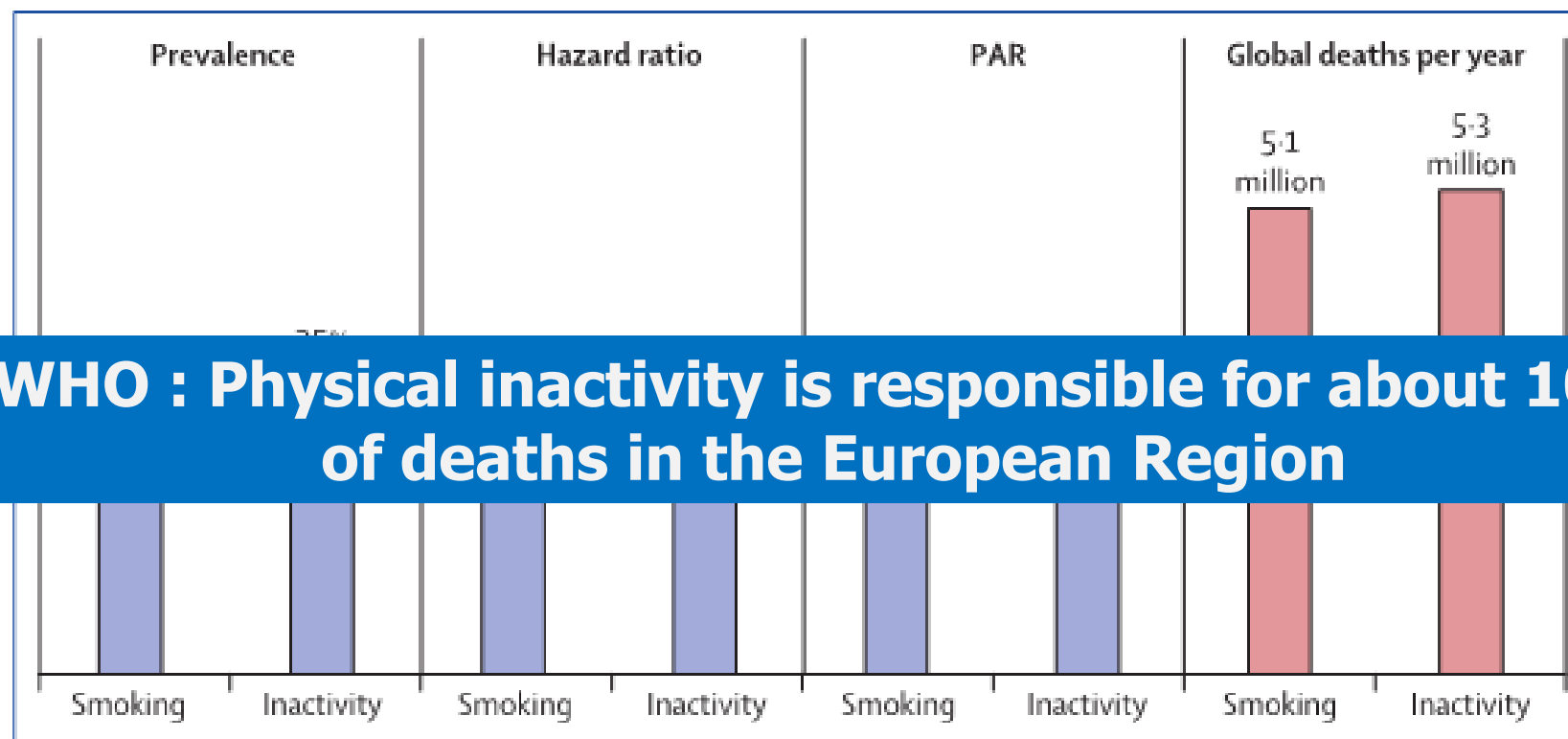


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Physical Inactivity



WHO : Physical inactivity is responsible for about 10% of deaths in the European Region

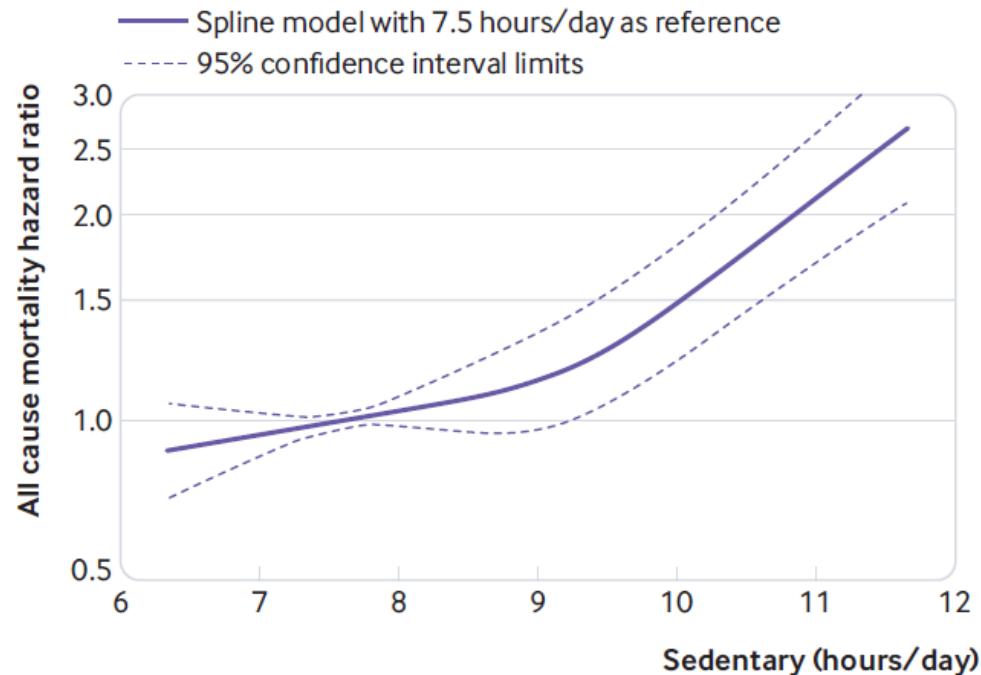
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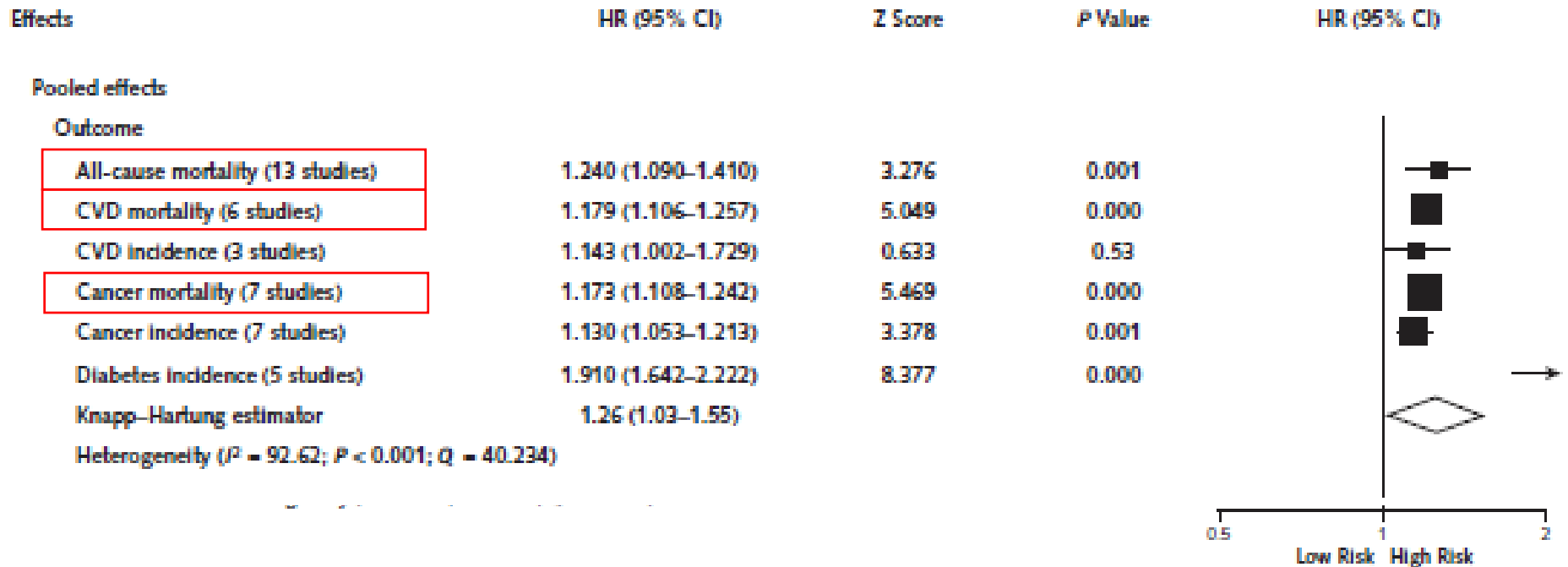
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Significantly higher risk of death was observed from 9.5 or more hours per day for time spent sedentary

Sedentary Behaviors

Every $\uparrow 1\text{h/day} = \uparrow$ T2D risk by 22% and MS by 39%
(Van der Berg 2016; Wijndaele 2017)



An HR >1 suggests that high sedentary time is harmful. Diamonds indicate overall HRs with associated 95% CIs. CVD = cardiovascular disease; HR = hazard ratio.

41 studies (29 000 to 800 000 participants/item)



Are habitual runners physically inactive?

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Runners +40 km/week



Runners 20 km/week

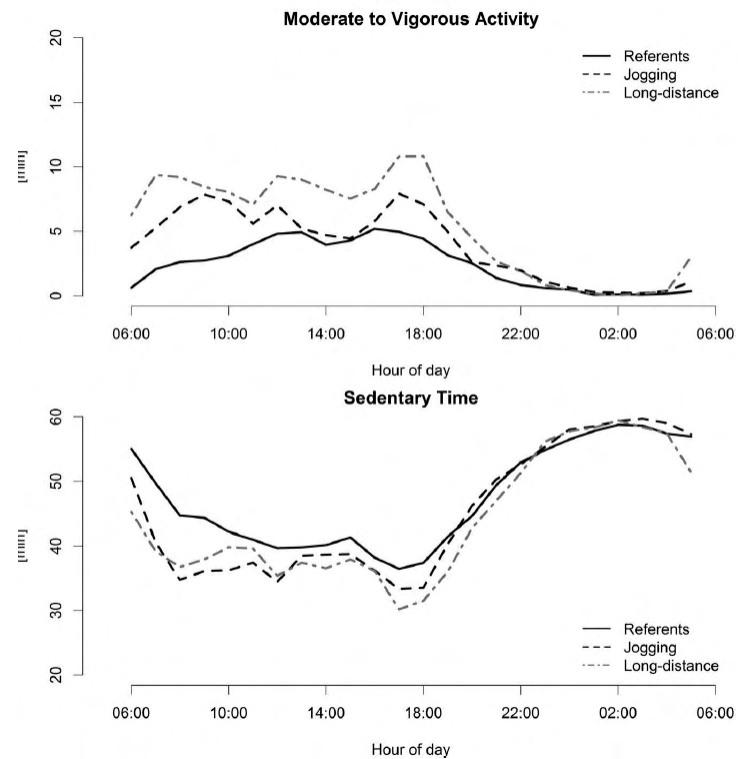


Sedentary individuals

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Inactive runners or sedentary active individuals?



Runners 20 km/week = **INACTIVES**



Similar levels of Sedentary time

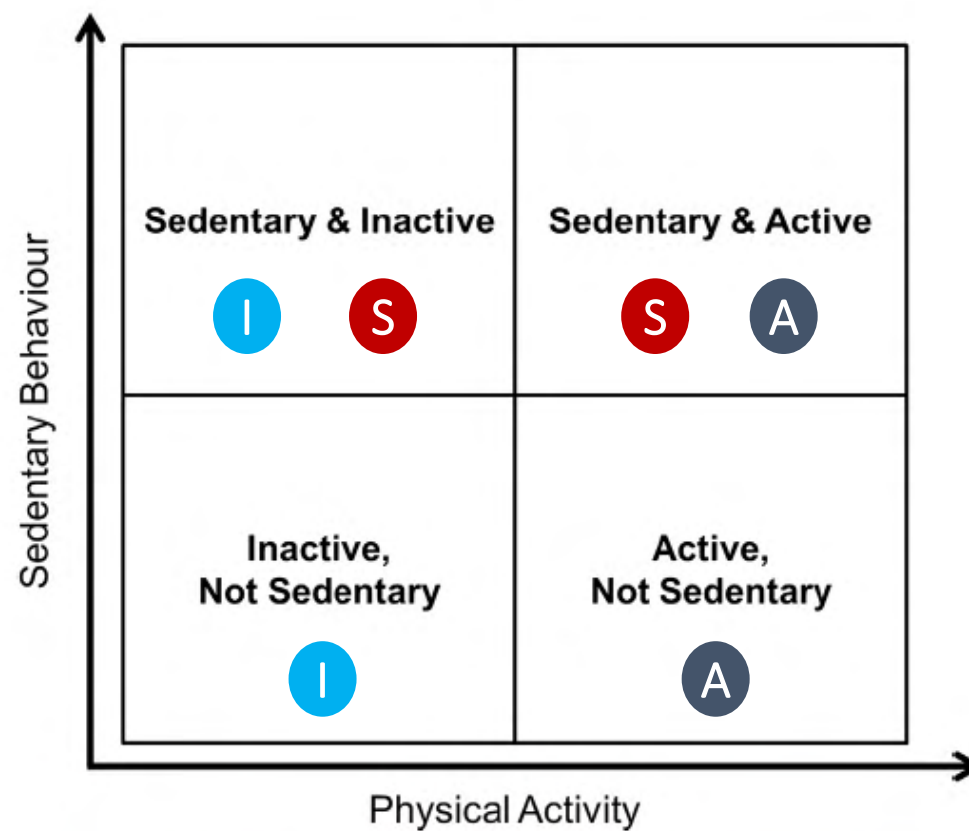
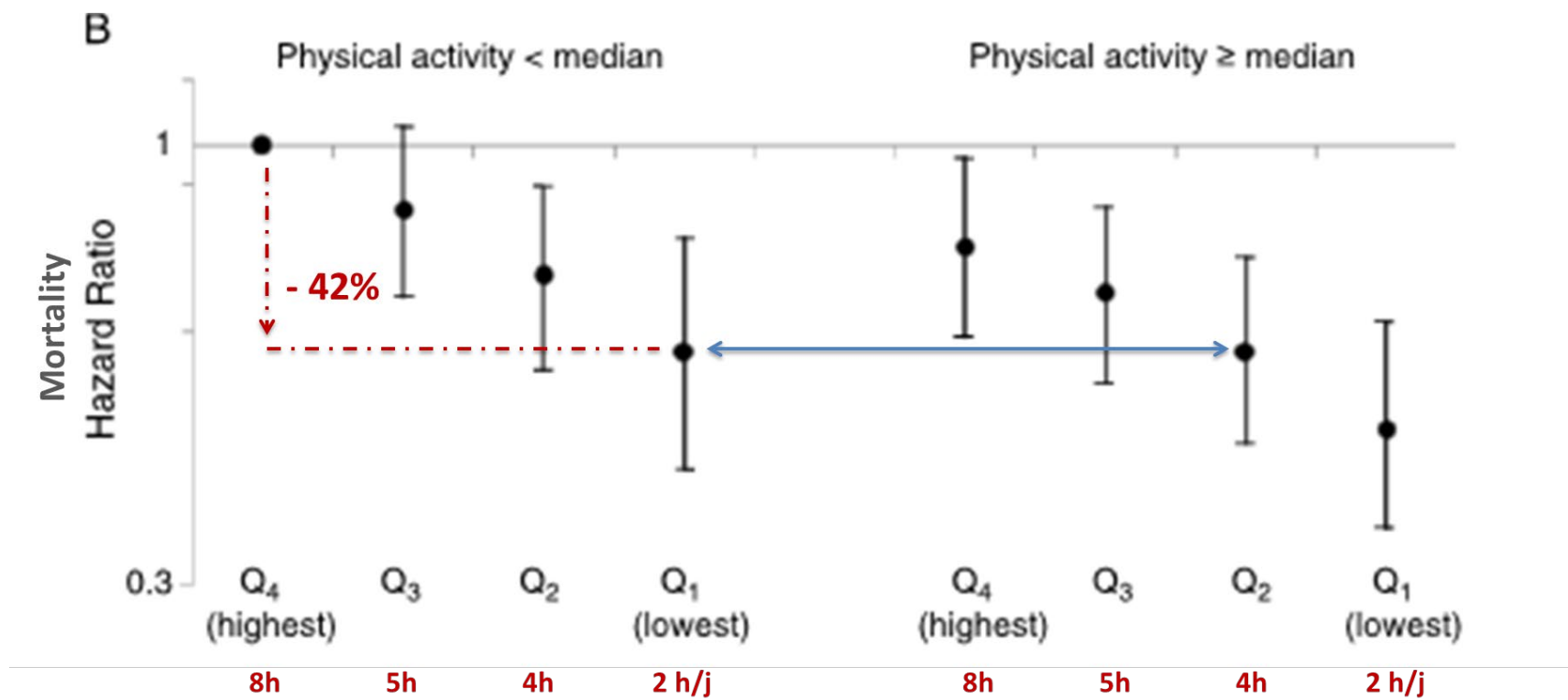


Figure 1. Sedentary behaviour and physical activity as distinct constructs.



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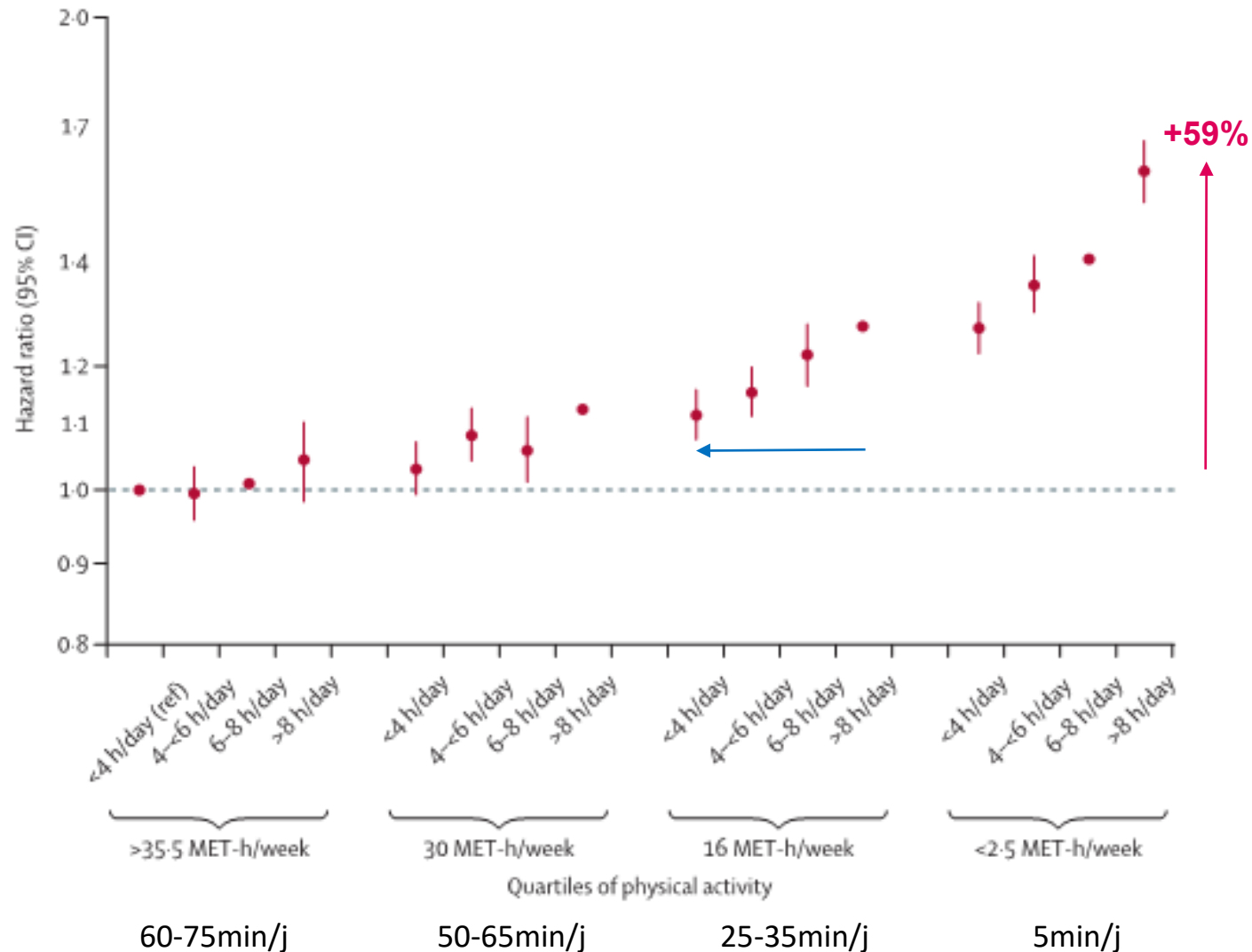


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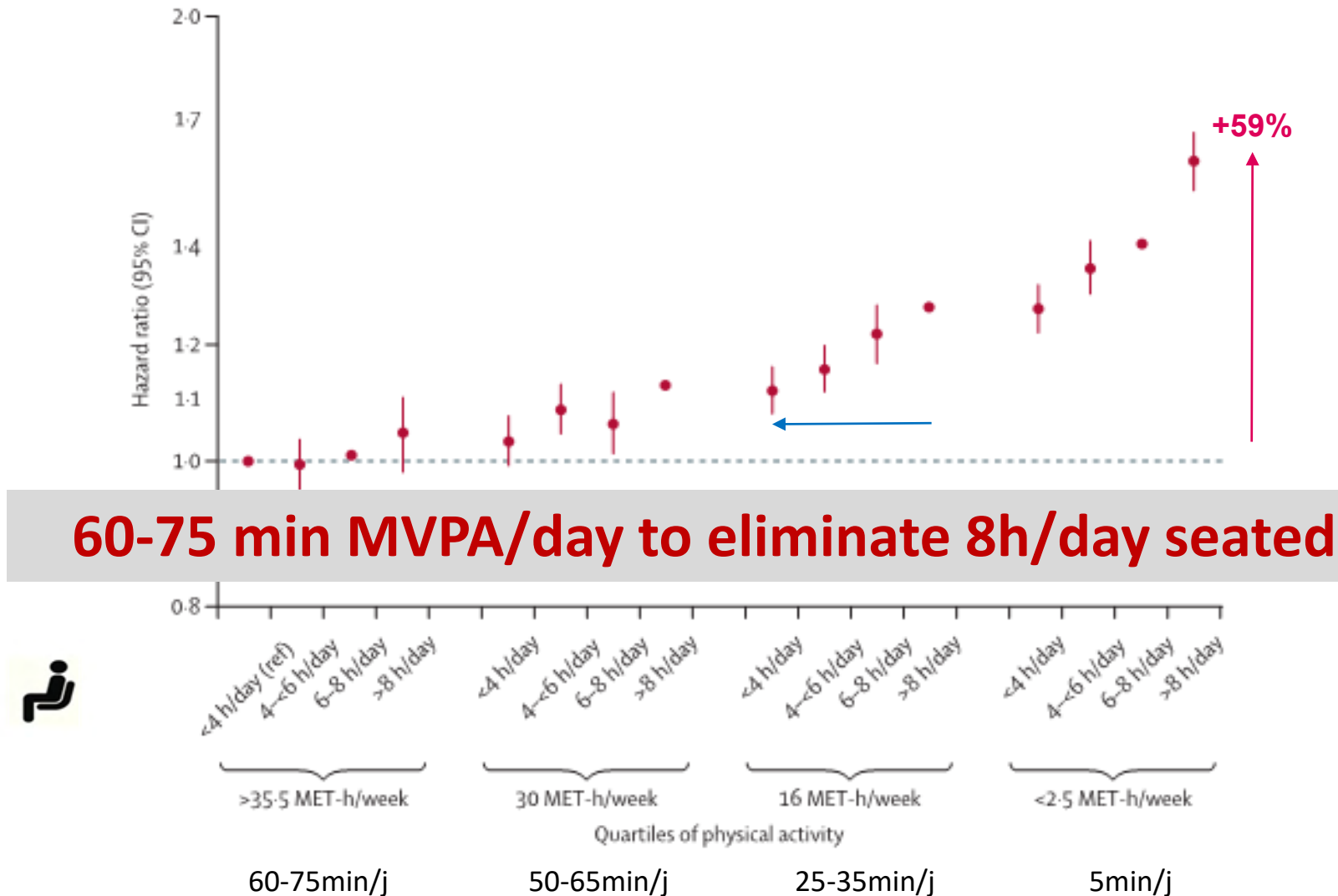
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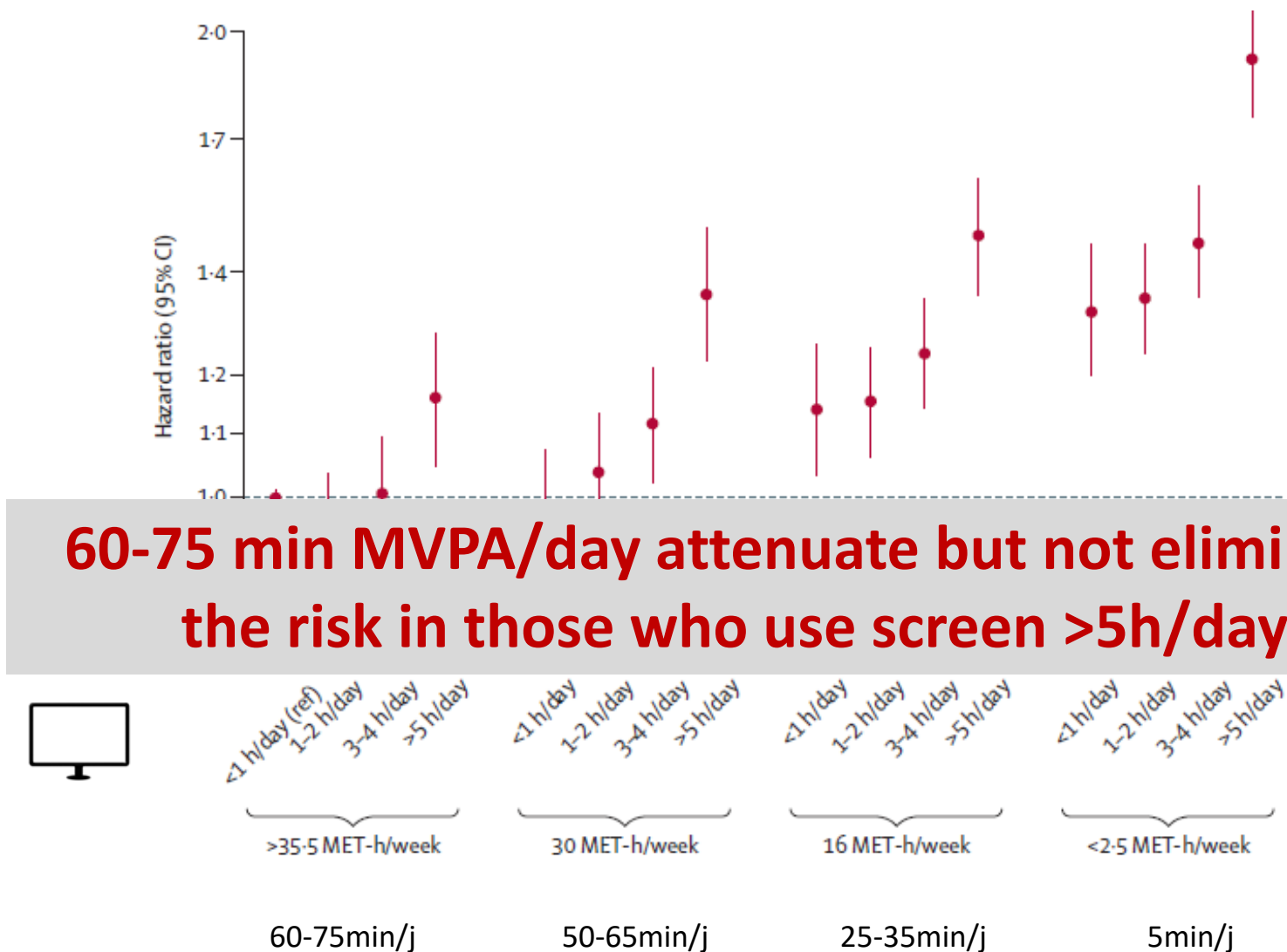
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AP intensité modérée



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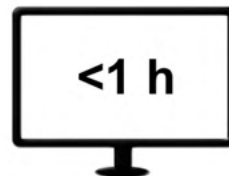


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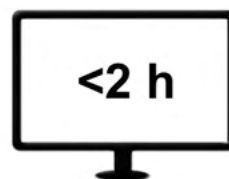
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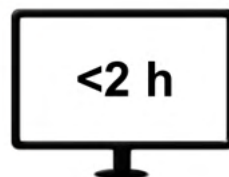
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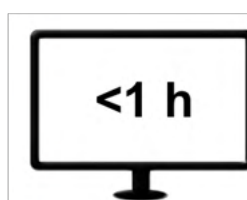
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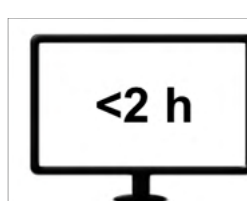
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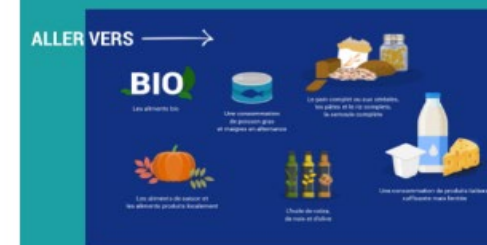
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LES RECOMMANDATIONS SUR L'ALIMENTATION, L'ACTIVITÉ PHYSIQUE ET LA SÉDENTARITÉ EN UN COUP D'ŒIL



Au quotidien, et à votre façon, essayez d'aller vers une alimentation plus variée et d'être plus actif. Chaque petit pas compte et finit par faire une grande différence !

Age	Type	Frequency	Benefit
< 12 months	Supervised play Safe environments (e.g. tummy time, games with siblings to encourage reaching, grasping, pulling and pushing.)	Daily for 5-15 min sessions.	Supports brain development. Builds strong bones and muscles. Improves movement and co-ordination skills. Promotes social skills.



1-5 years	Supervised games promoting reaching, stretching, crawling, running, kicking, throwing and catching	At least 3hr/day (short bouts of 10-20 minutes)	Builds strong hearts, bones and muscles. Improves balance and co-ordination skills. Helps achieve and maintain a healthy weight. Encourage self-confidence and independence.
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Age	Type	Frequency	Benefit
5-12 years	MVPA With impacts to promote bone health (e.g. skipping, jumping, running & dancing).	At least 60 min/day At least 3 days/week high impact	Supports concentration and learning Builds strong bones and muscles. Improves movement and co-ordination skills Improves balance and co-ordination skills. Helps achieve and maintain a healthy weight. Encourage self-confidence and independence. Helps the child to make new friends and to Develop social skills.



13-17 years	MVPA With impacts to promote bone health Active transportation Organised and non-organised sports games PE and other activities at home, school, work and in the community.	At least 60 min/day At least 3 days/week high impact	Supports concentration and learning Builds strong bones and muscles. Improves balance and co-ordination skills. Helps achieve and maintain a healthy weight. Encourage self-confidence and independence. Helps the child to make new friends and to develop social skills. Improve cardiometabolic health, Enhances mental health and wellbeing, Supports cardiorespiratory fitness
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Invited Editorial

Physical Activity and Physical Fitness in Pediatric Obesity: What are the First Steps for Clinicians? Expert Conclusion from the 2016 ECOG Workshop

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First recommended clinical steps:

1. Estimate PA level
2. Identify barriers to PA and potential fitness impairments
3. Encourage the family to meet age-appropriate PA guidelines
4. Refer the child for exercise-testing and physiotherapy as appropriate

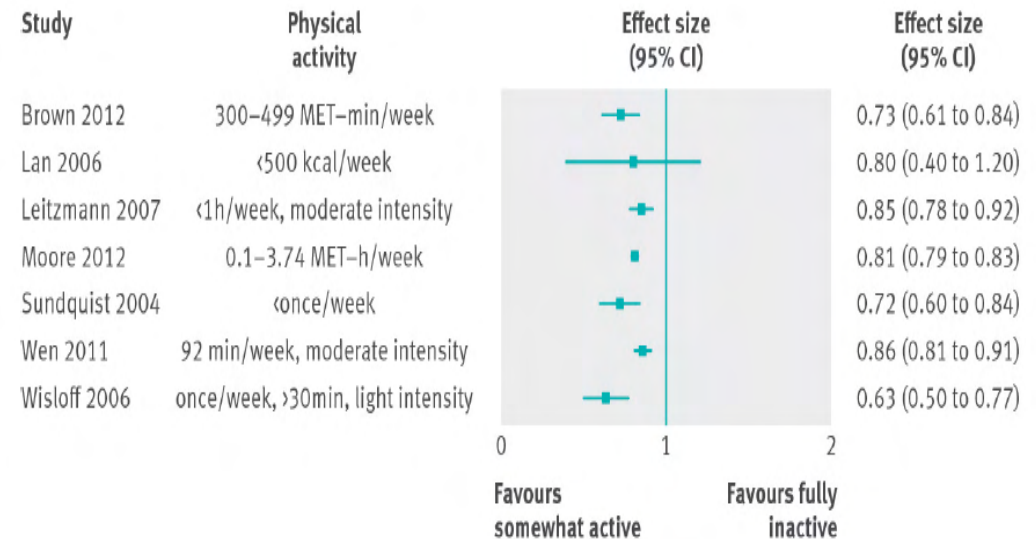
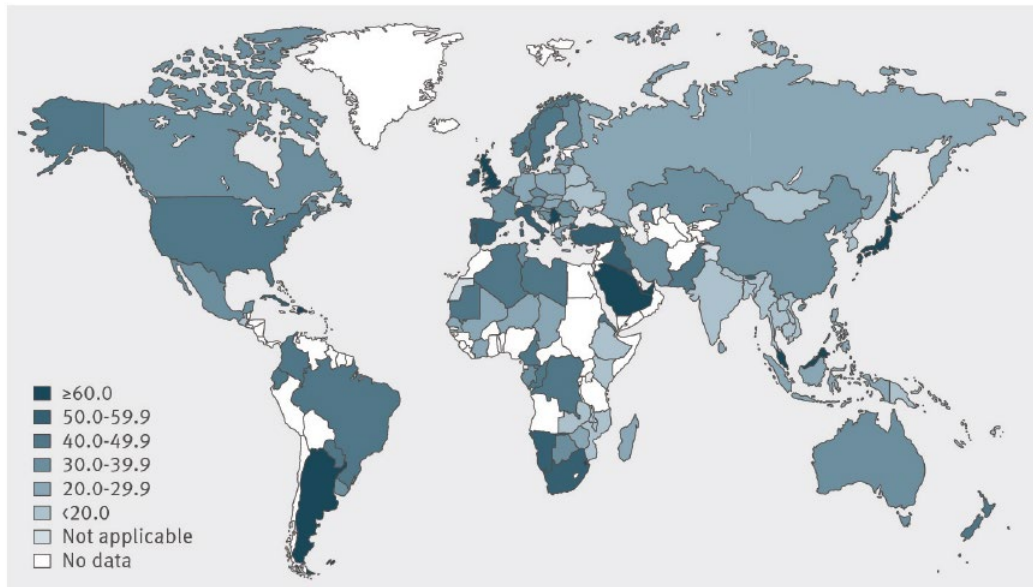


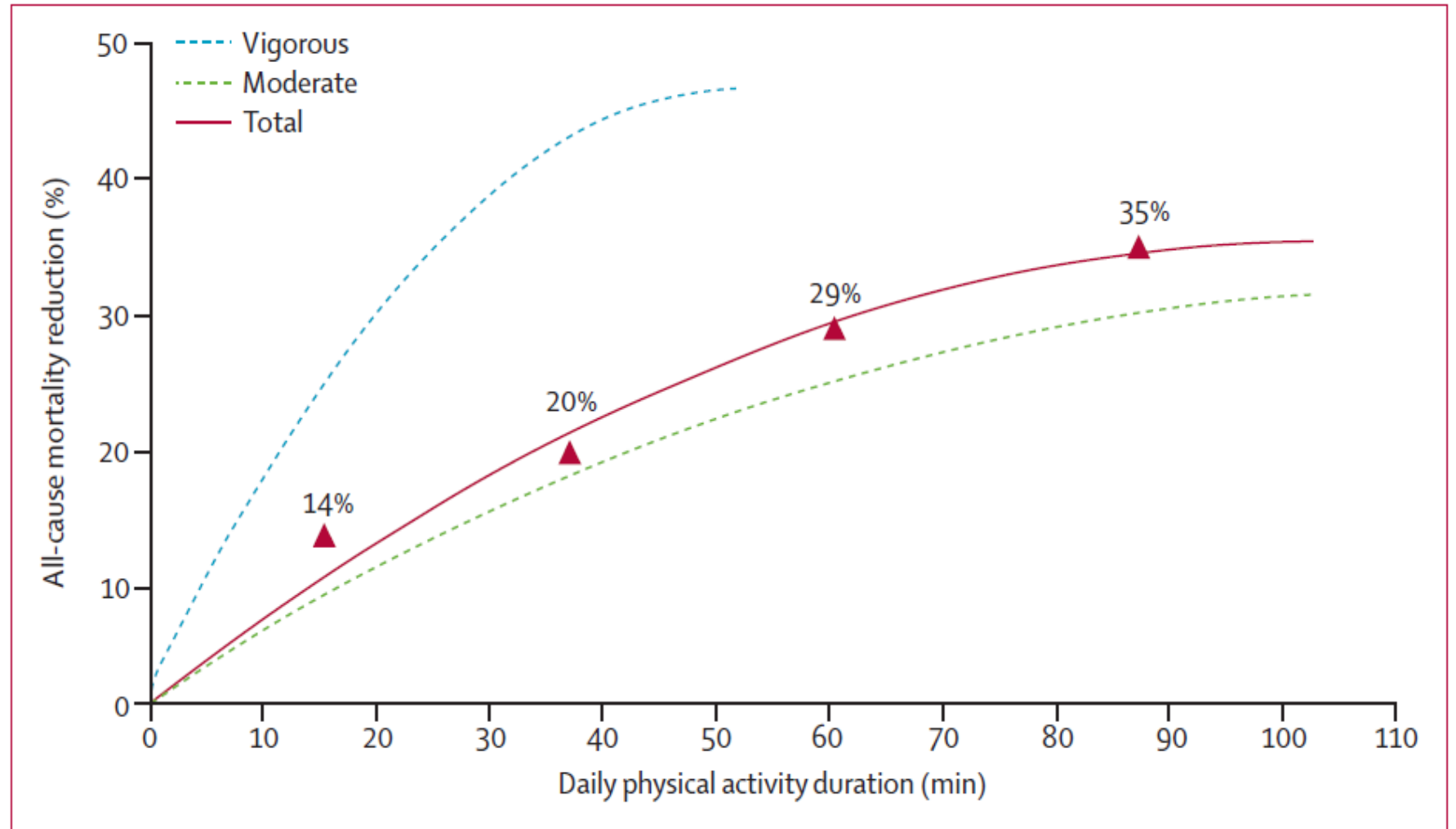
ANALYSIS

Global health agenda on non-communicable diseases: has WHO set a smart goal for physical activity?

Philippe de Souto Barreto argues that, to reduce premature mortality, policies should focus on getting fully inactive people to do a little physical activity rather than strive for the entire population to meet current physical activity recommendations

Philippe de Souto Barreto *researcher*







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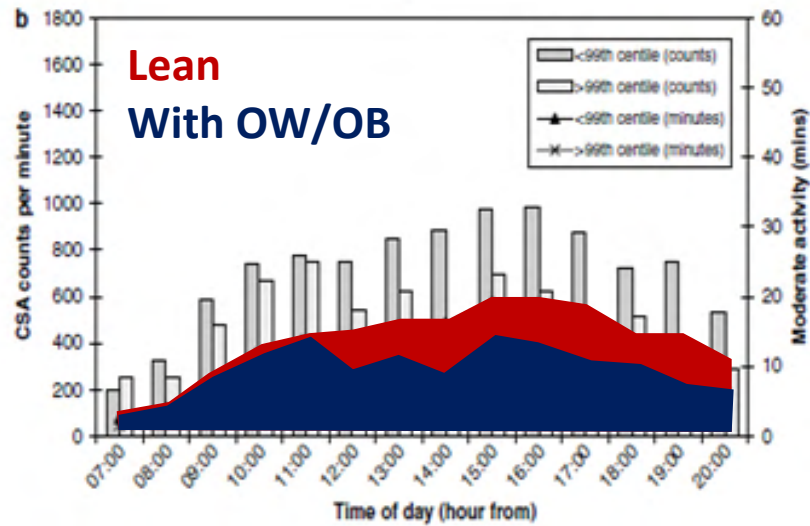
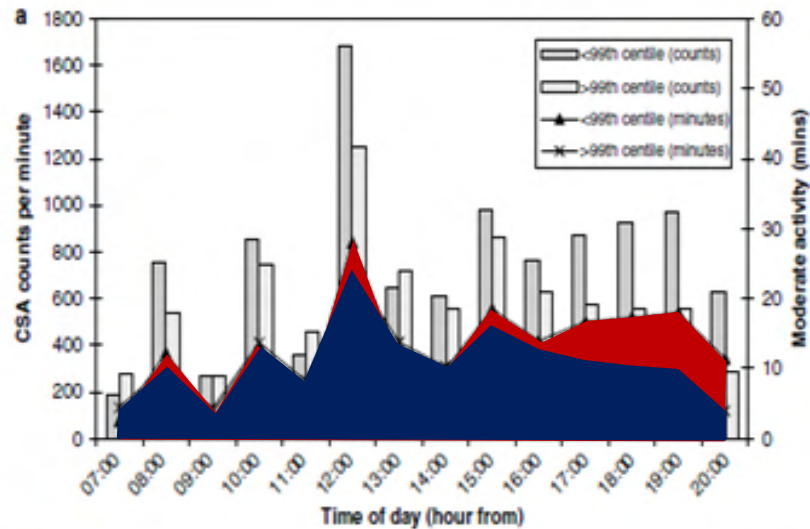
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Recommendations



Lower PA level

Sedentariness
Physical Inactivity



Lower Physical Fitness



↑ Perceived Exertion / ↓ engagement
/ ↑ drop out

Effect of Exercise on 24-Month Weight Loss Maintenance in Overweight Women

John M. Jakicic, PhD; Bess H. Marcus, PhD; Wei Lang, PhD; Carol Janney, MS

201 women with overweight and obesity

Interventions: ↘ intake to 1,200 to 1,500 kcal/d and ↗ PA based on dose (1,000 or 2,000 kcal/wk) and intensity (moderate or vigorous).

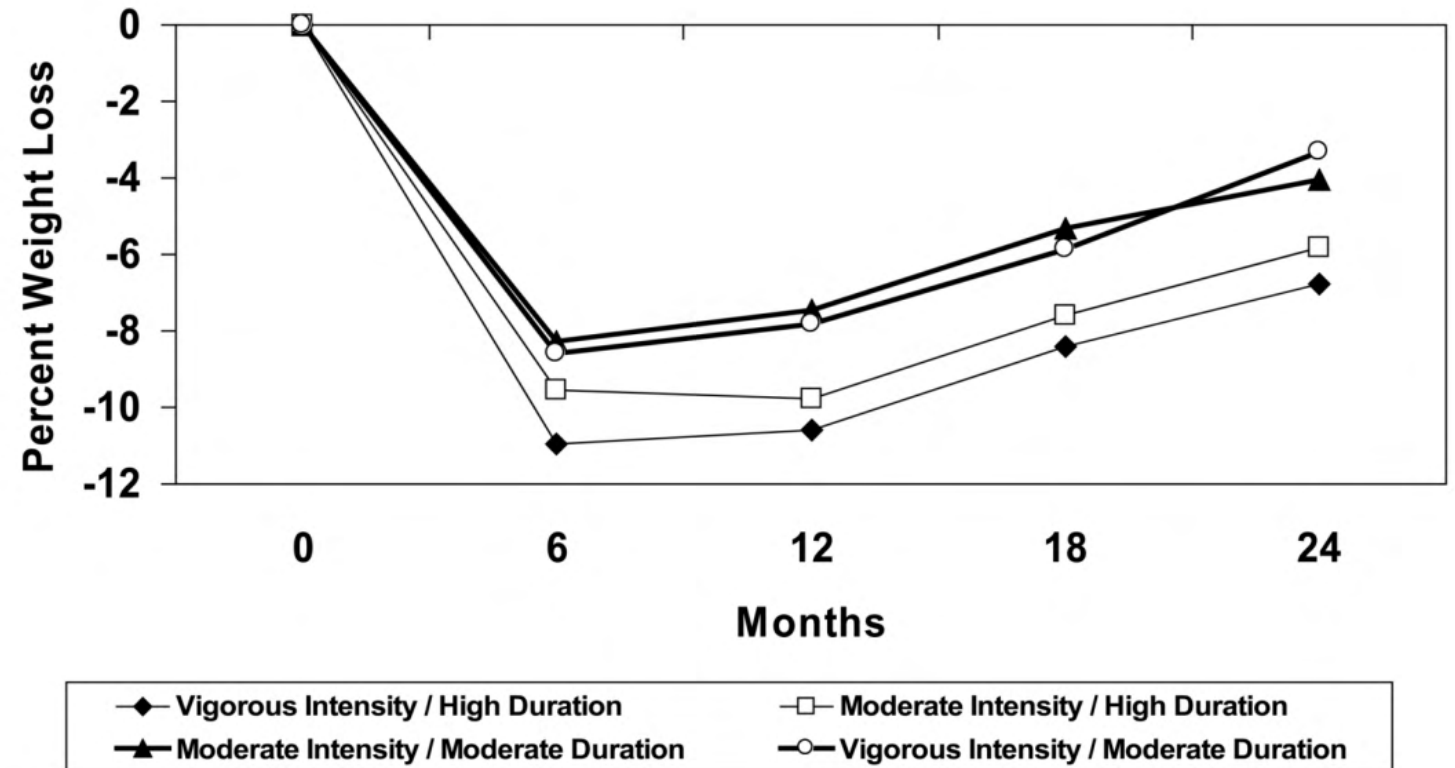


Figure 2.

Percent weight loss based on randomized group assignment (N = 191).

Physical Activity Energy Expenditure and Total Daily Energy Expenditure in Successful Weight Loss Maintainers

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Objective: The objective of this study was to compare physical activity energy expenditure (PAEE) and total daily energy expenditure (TDEE) in successful weight loss maintainers (WLM) with normal weight controls (NC) and controls with overweight/obesity (OC).

Methods: Participants were recruited in three groups: WLM ($n=25$, BMI 24.1 ± 2.3 kg/m²; maintaining ≥ 13.6 -kg weight loss for ≥ 1 year), NC ($n=27$, BMI 23.0 ± 2.0 kg/m²; similar to current BMI of WLM), and OC ($n=28$, BMI 34.3 ± 4.8 kg/m²; similar to pre-weight loss BMI of WLM). TDEE was measured using the doubly labeled water method. Resting energy expenditure (REE) was measured using indirect calorimetry. PAEE was calculated as (TDEE - $[0.1 \times \text{TDEE}]$ - REE).

Results: PAEE in WLM (812 ± 268 kcal/d, mean $\pm$ SD) was significantly higher compared with that in both NC (621 ± 285 kcal/d, $P < 0.01$) and OC (637 ± 271 kcal/d, $P = 0.02$). As a result, TDEE in WLM ($2,495 \pm 366$ kcal/d) was higher compared with that in NC ($2,195 \pm 521$ kcal/d, $P = 0.01$) but was not significantly different from that in OC ($2,573 \pm 391$ kcal/d).

Conclusions: The high levels of PAEE and TDEE observed in individuals maintaining a substantial weight loss (-26.2 ± 9.8 kg maintained for 9.0 ± 10.2 years) suggest that this group relies on high levels of energy expended in physical activity to remain in energy balance (and avoid weight regain) at a reduced body weight.

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Introduction

Changes in energy expenditure that occur with weight loss have been suggested to contribute to the propensity for weight regain after weight loss. Total daily energy expenditure (TDEE) declines with weight loss

because of decreases in both resting energy expenditure (REE) and physical activity (PA) energy expenditure (PAEE) that result primarily from the reduction in body mass (1). Some evidence suggests that substantial weight loss may also generate additional decreases in REE and TDEE beyond that expected based on changes in body weight and/

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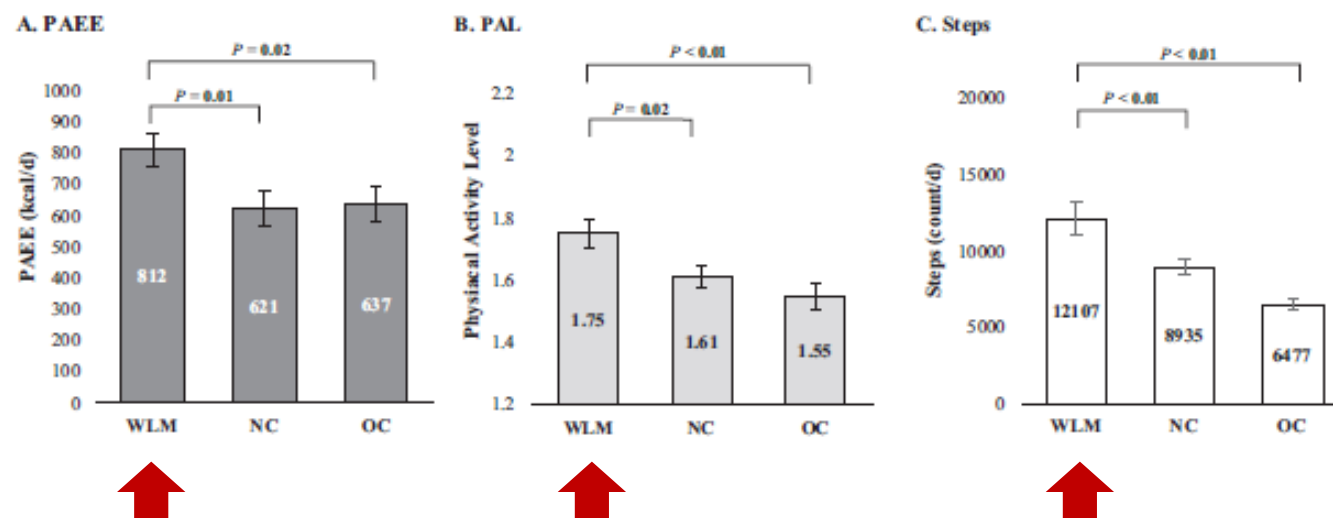
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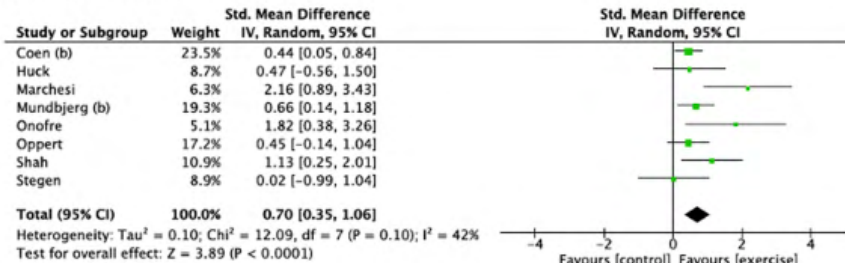




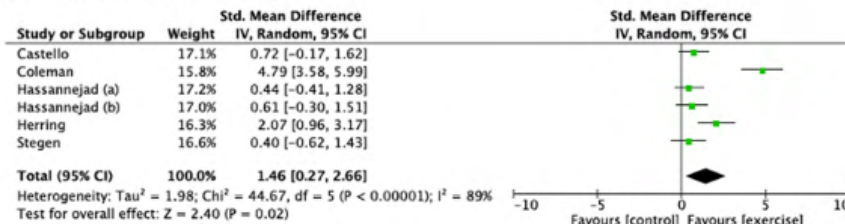
Effect of exercise training before and after bariatric surgery: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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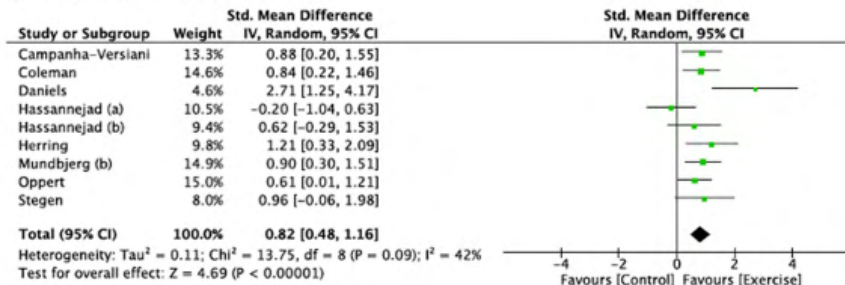
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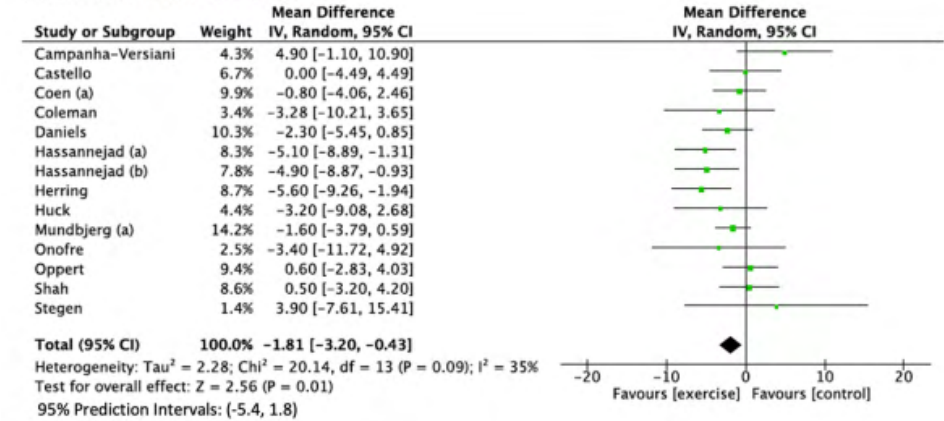
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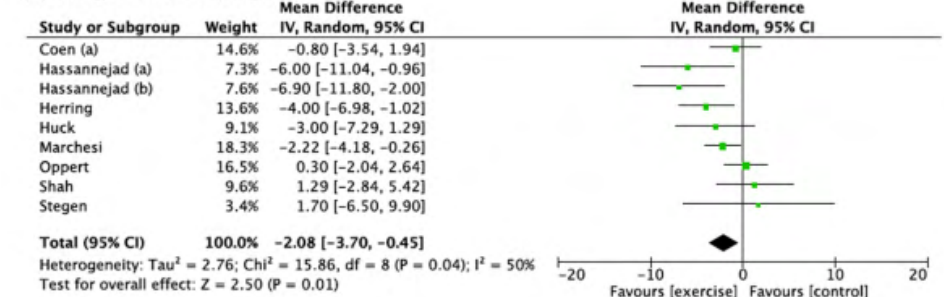
(C) Change in muscle strength



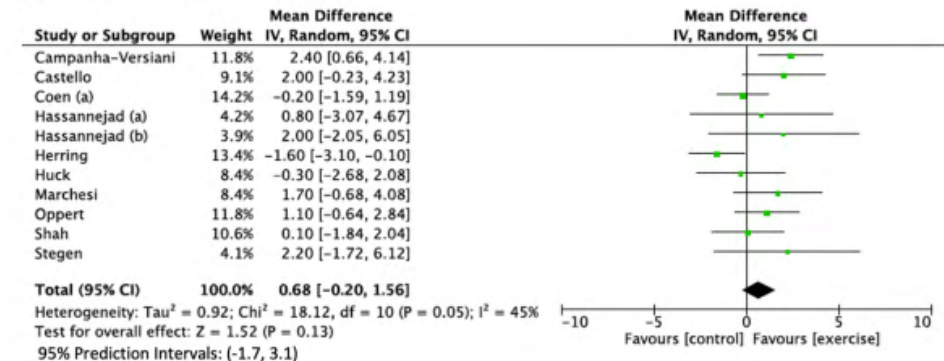
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(B) Change in fat mass (in kg)



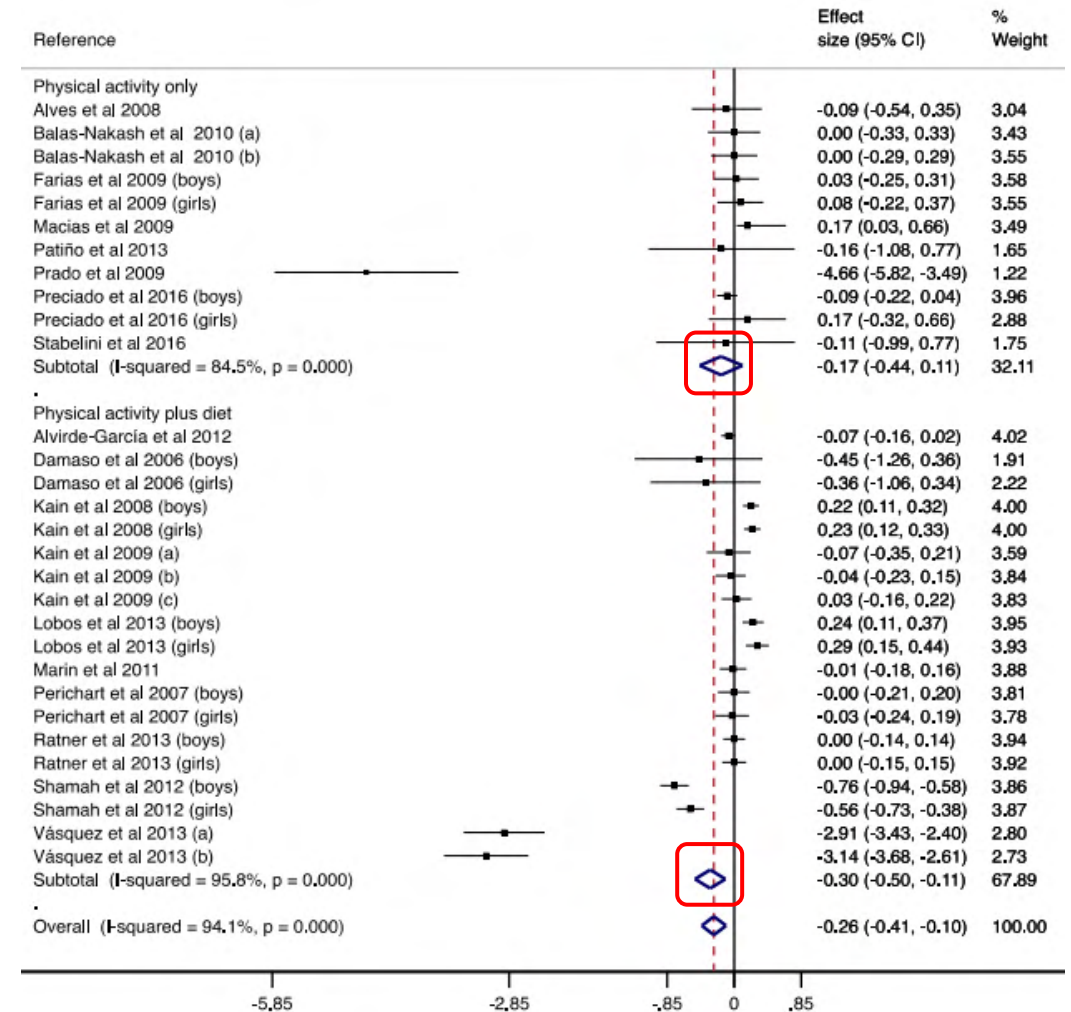
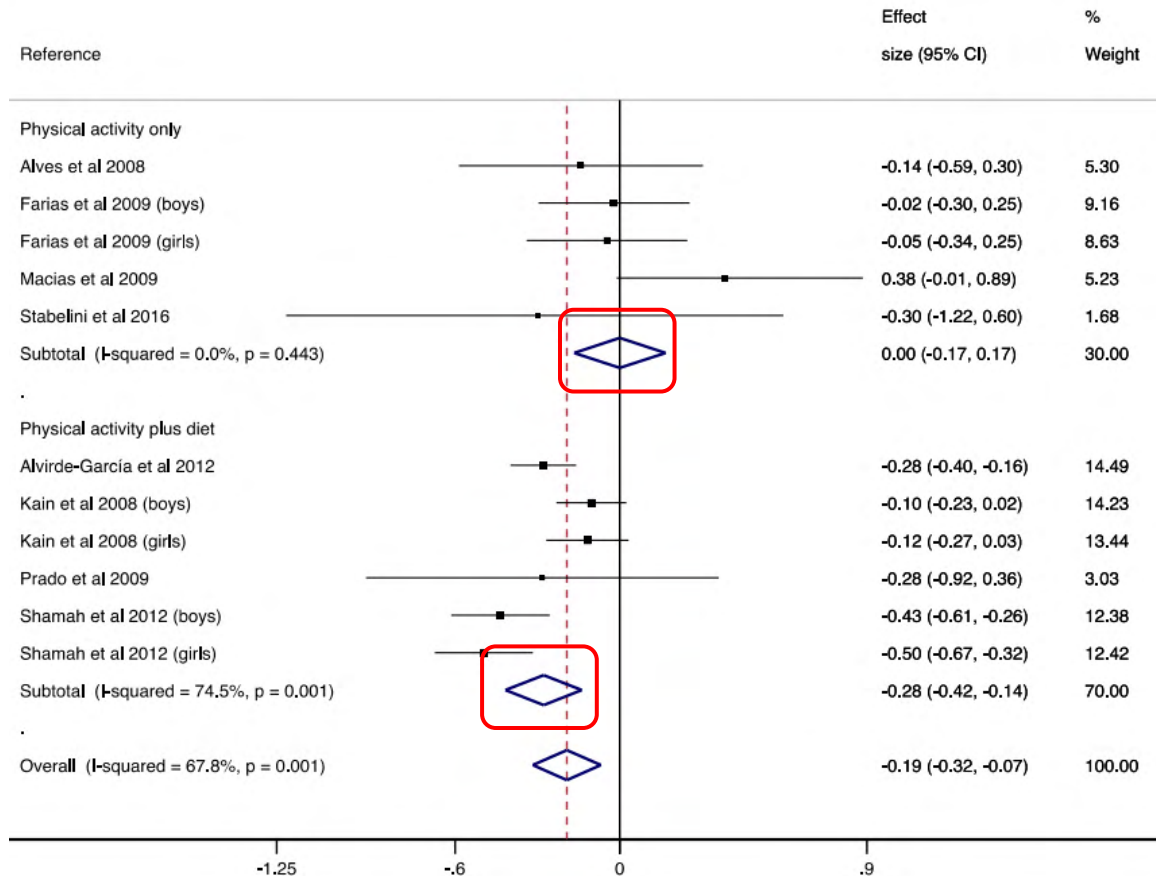
(C) Change in lean body mass (in kg)



The Effects of Physical Activity and Diet Interventions on Body Mass Index in Latin American Children and Adolescents: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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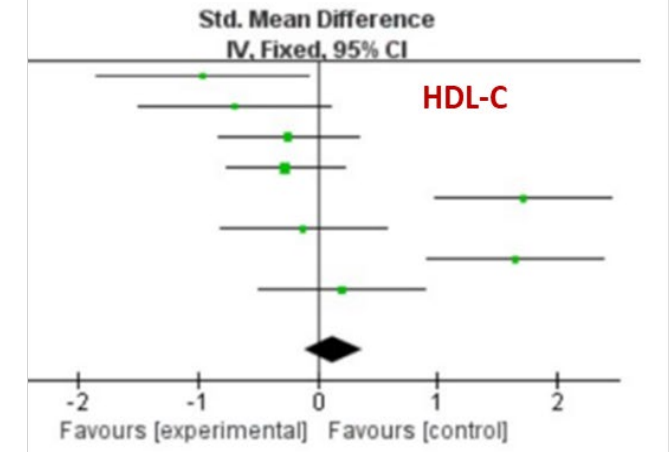
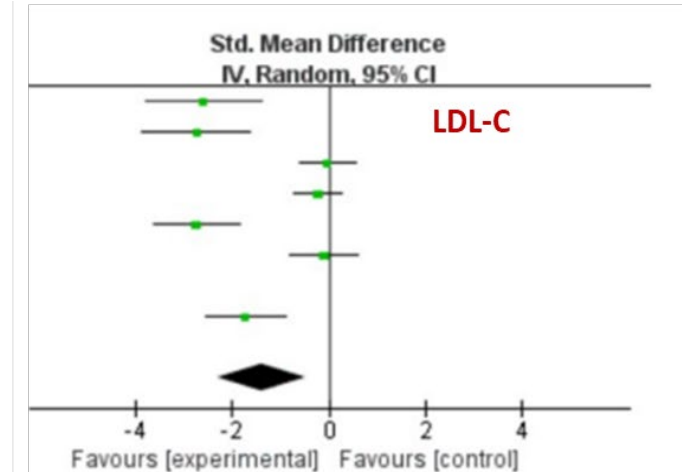
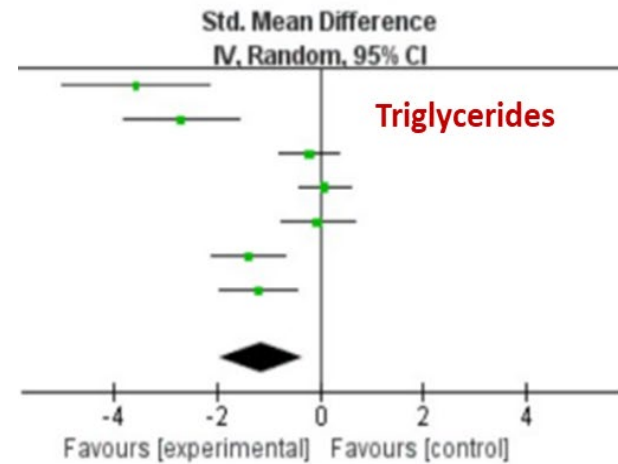




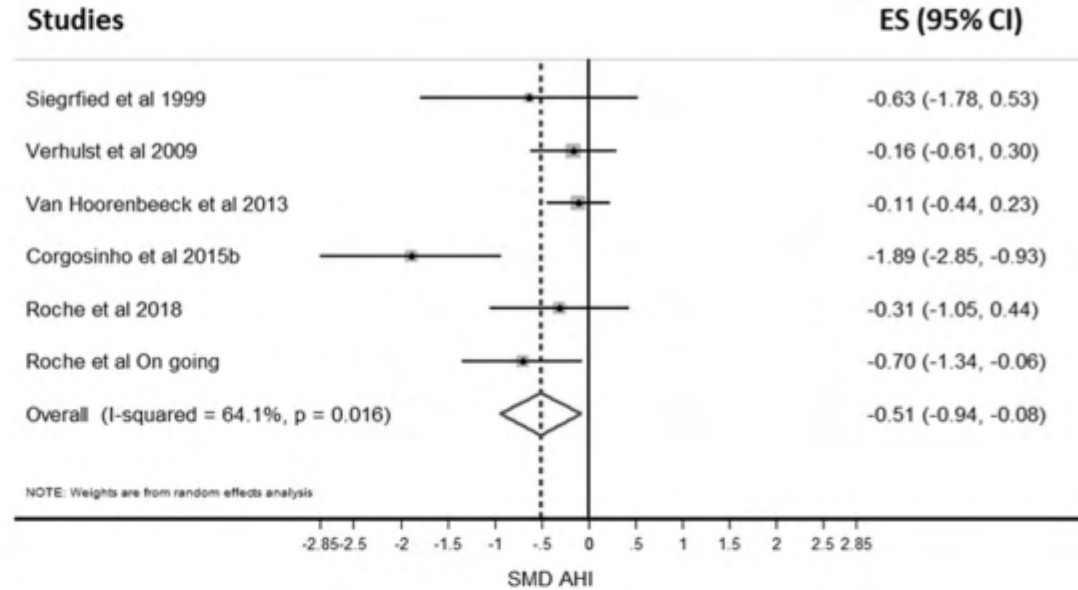
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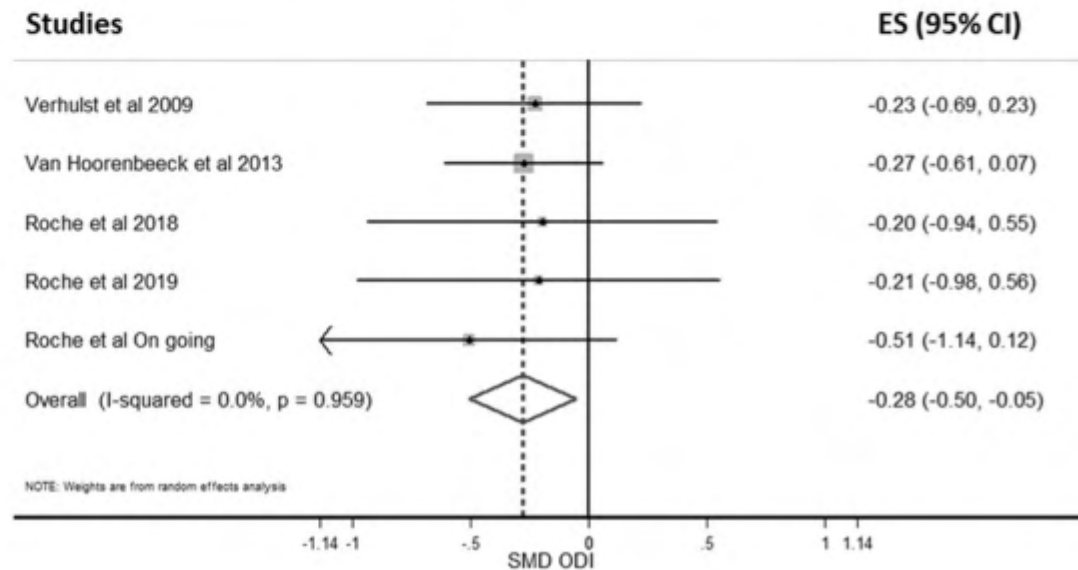
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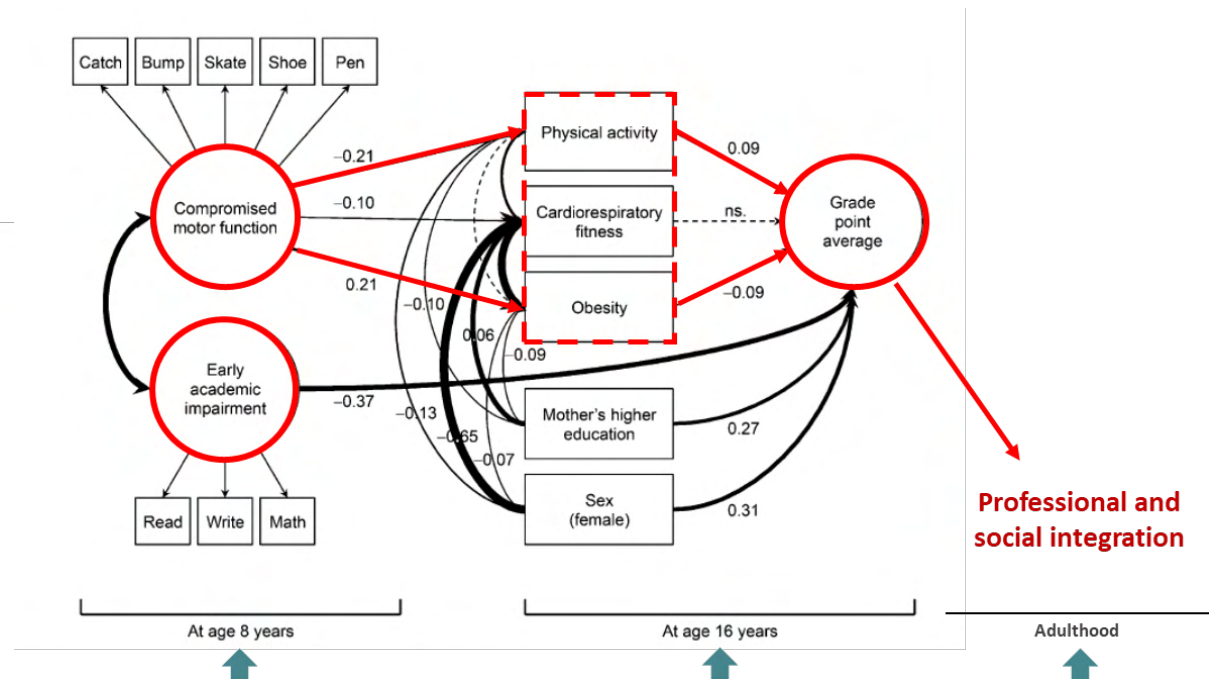
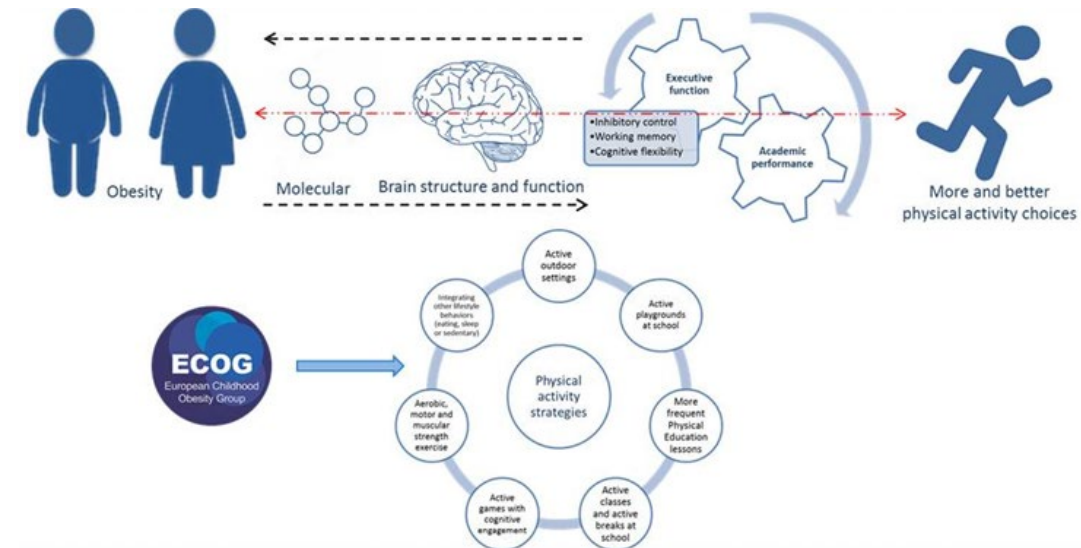


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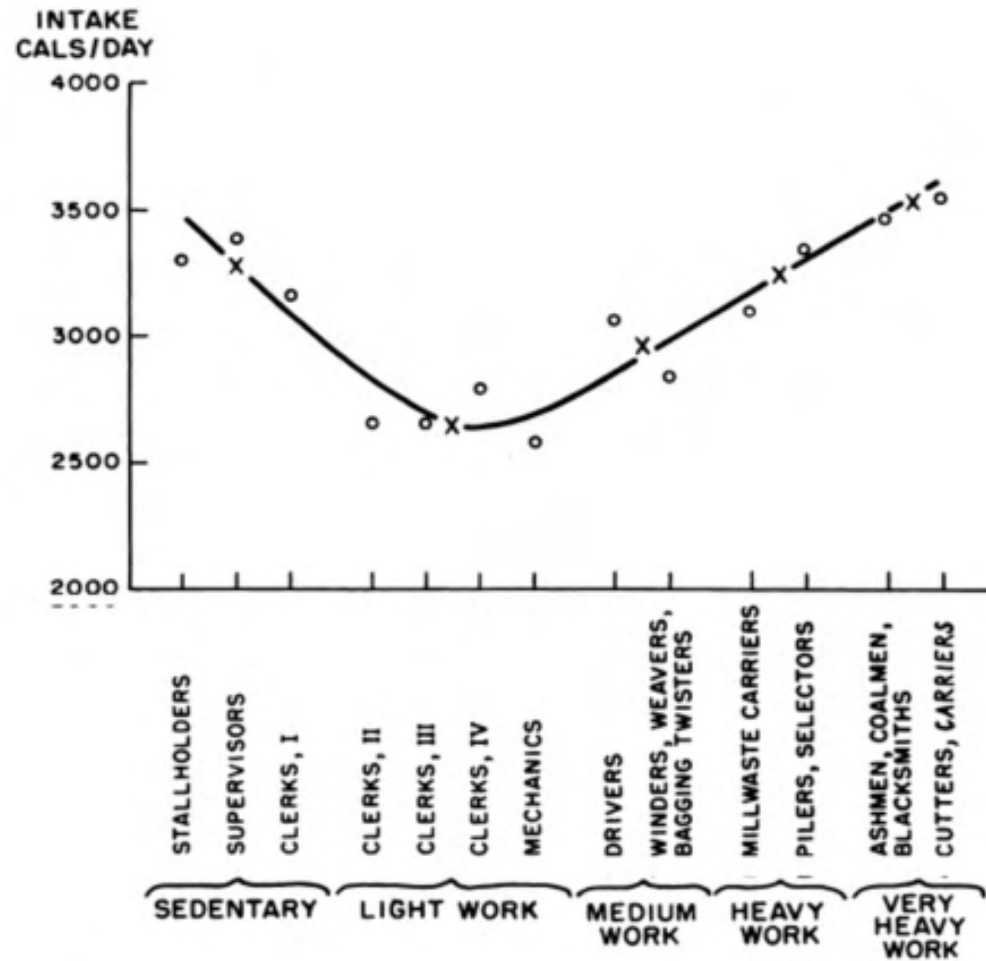


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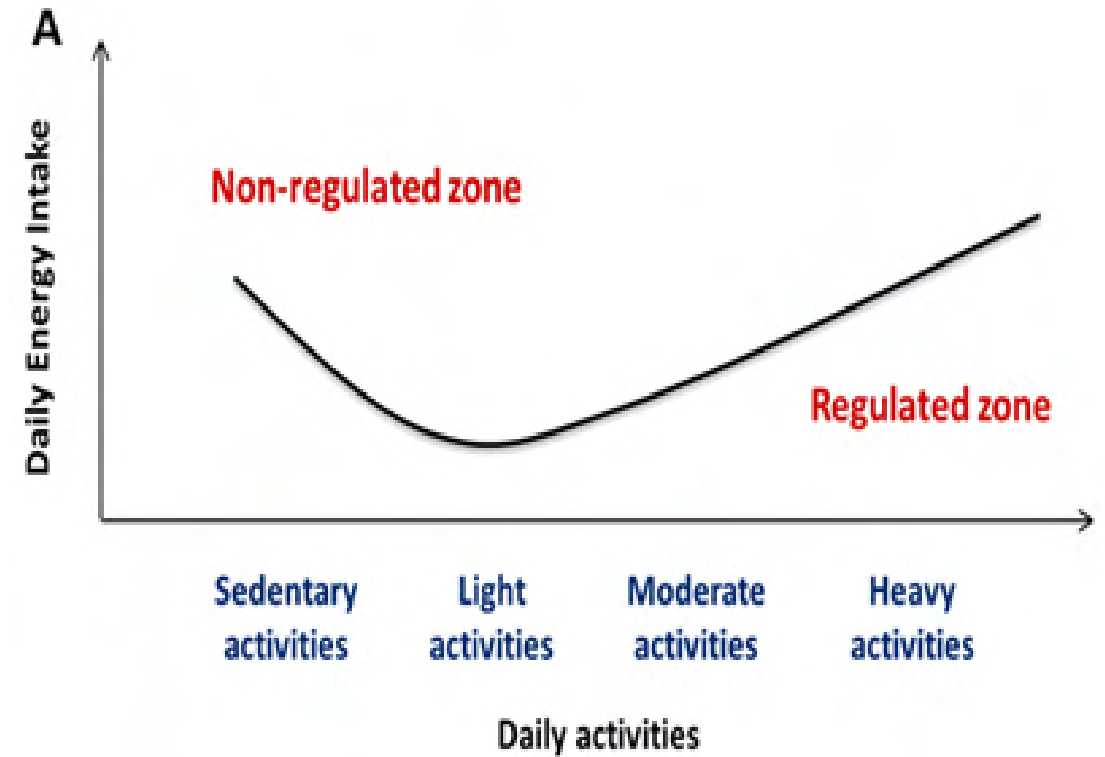
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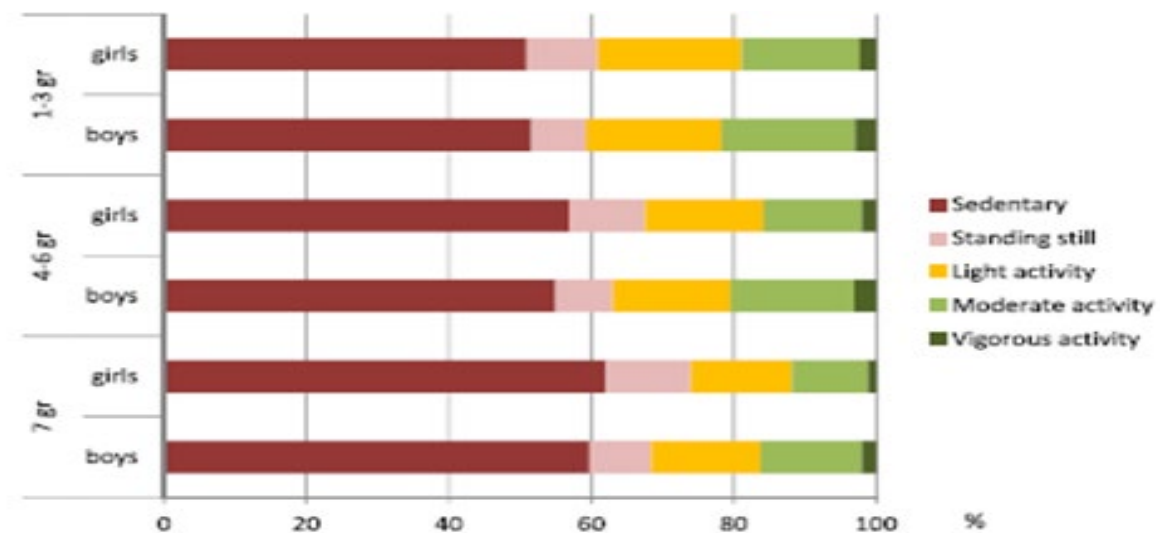
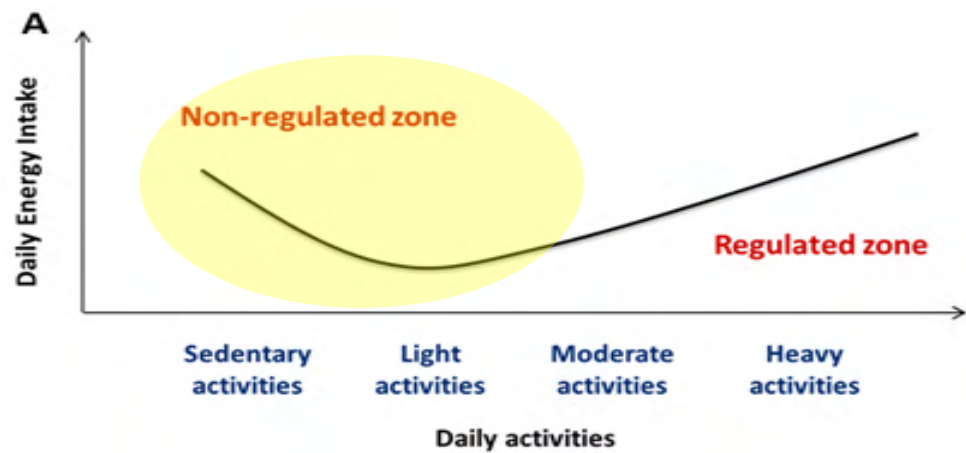
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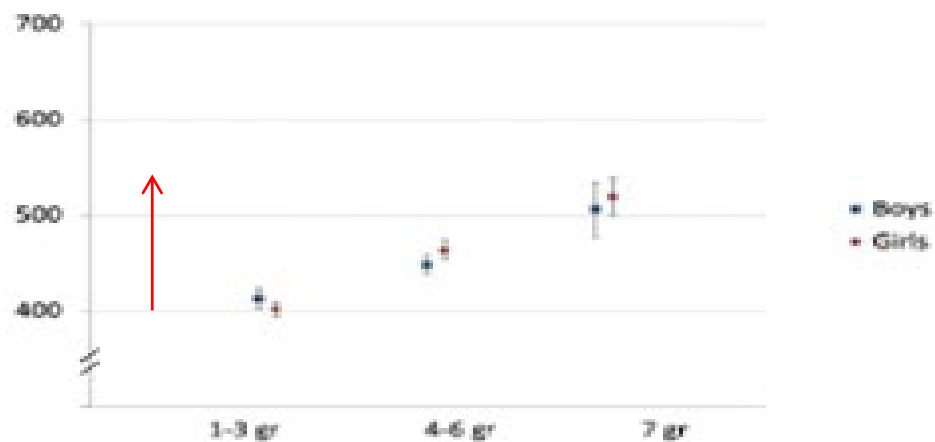


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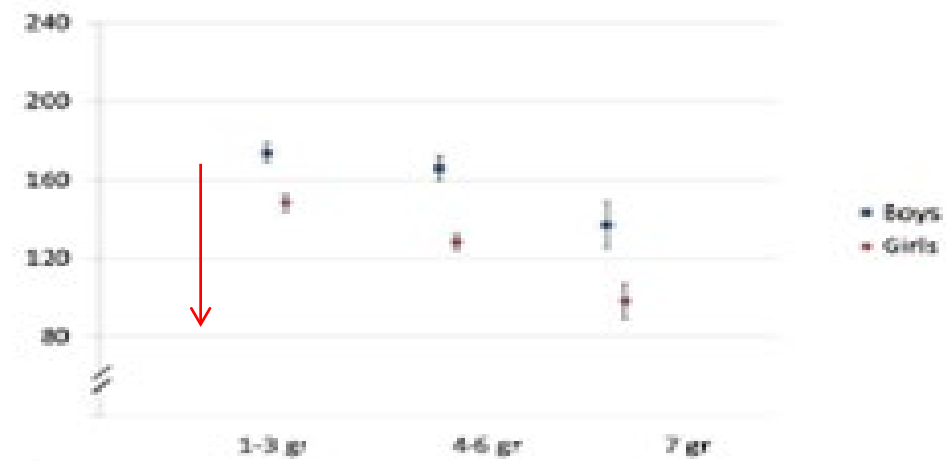


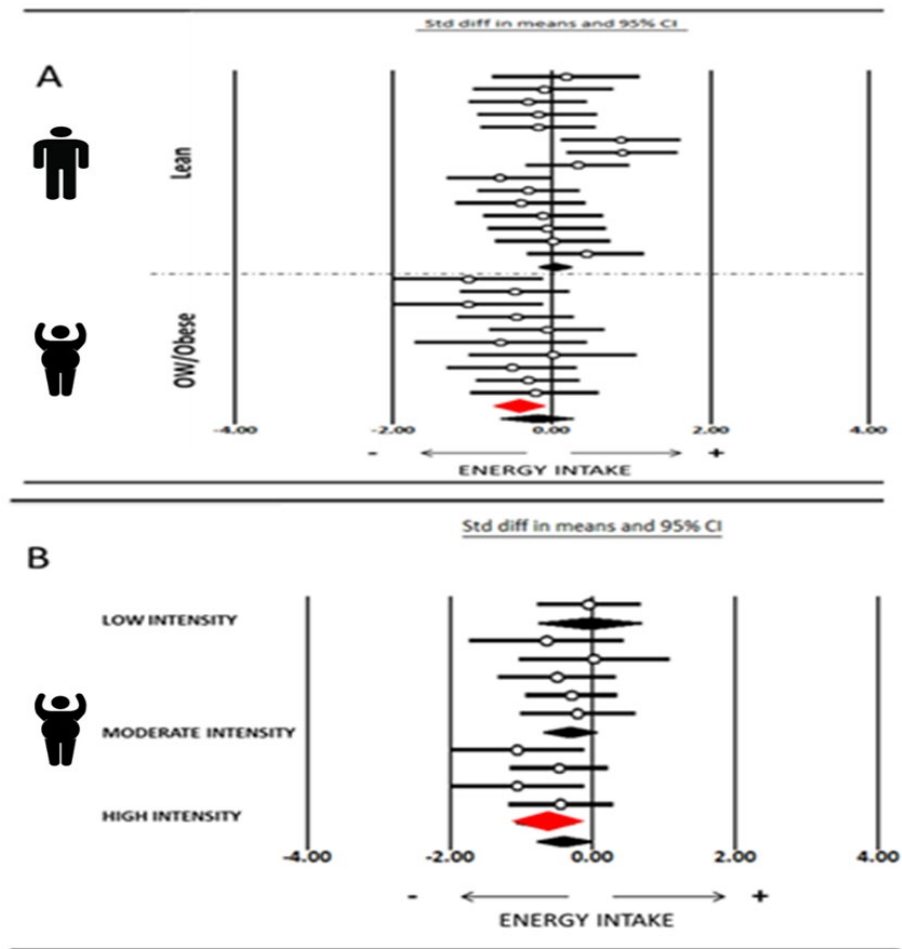


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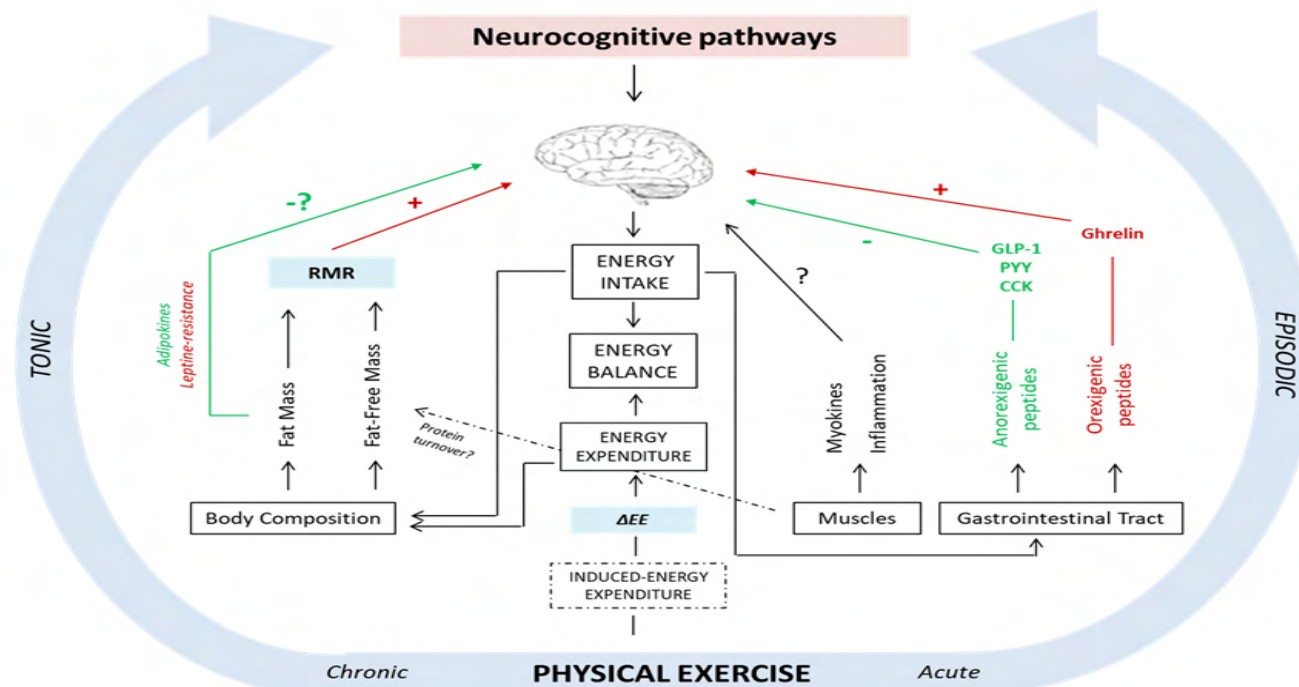


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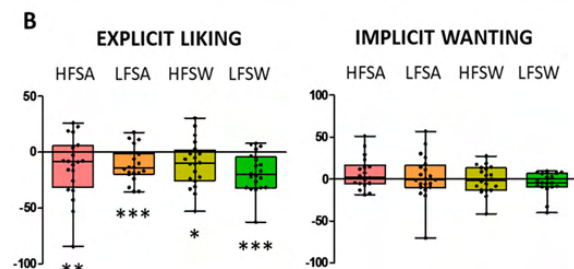




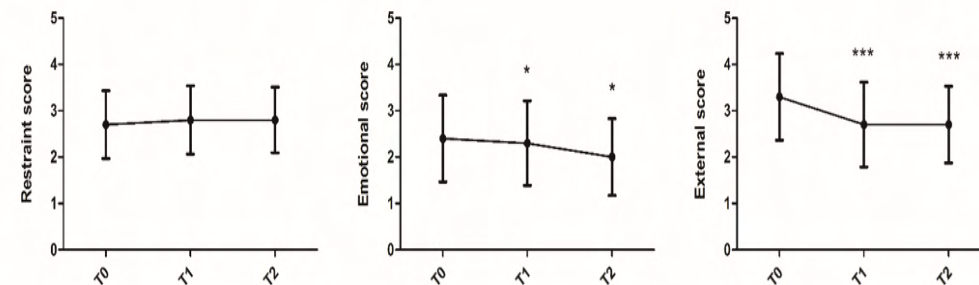
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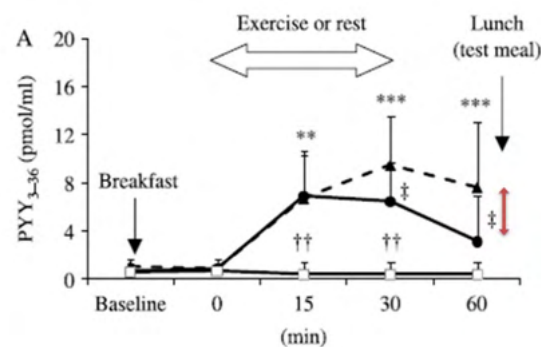
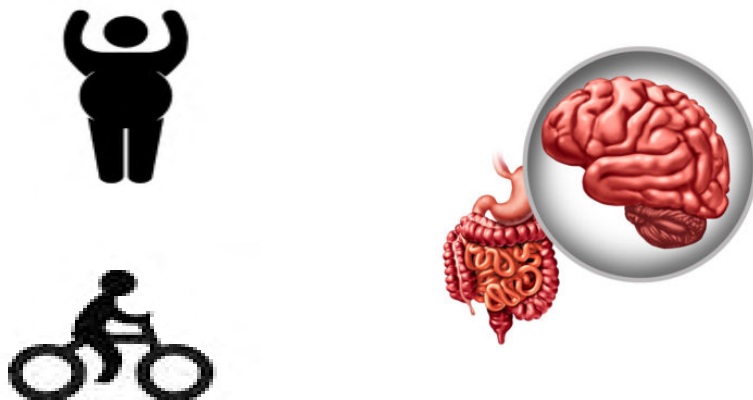
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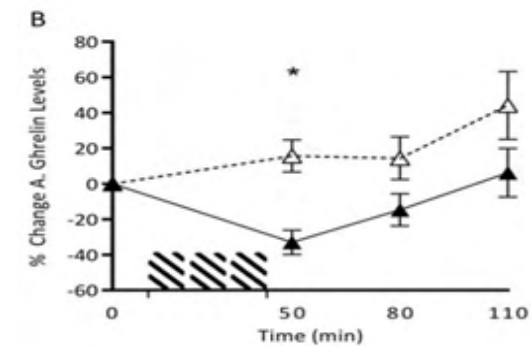
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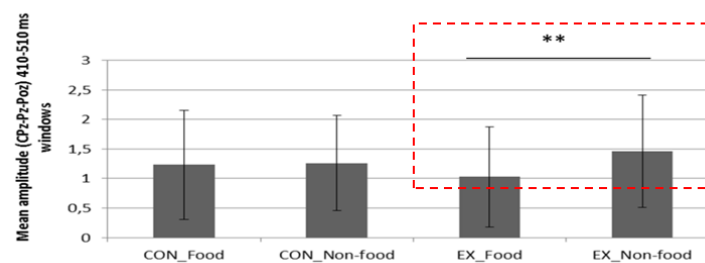
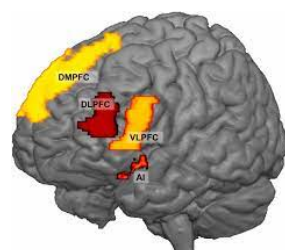
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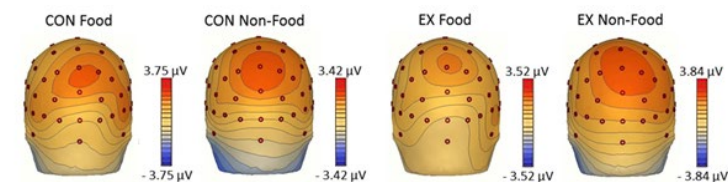
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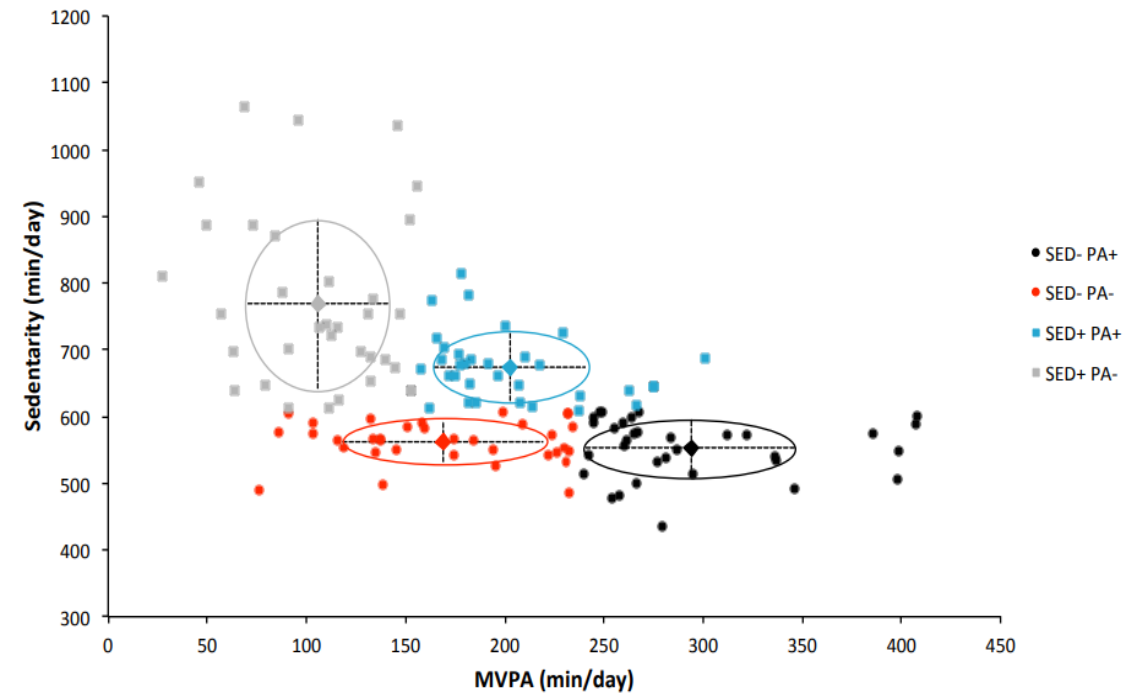
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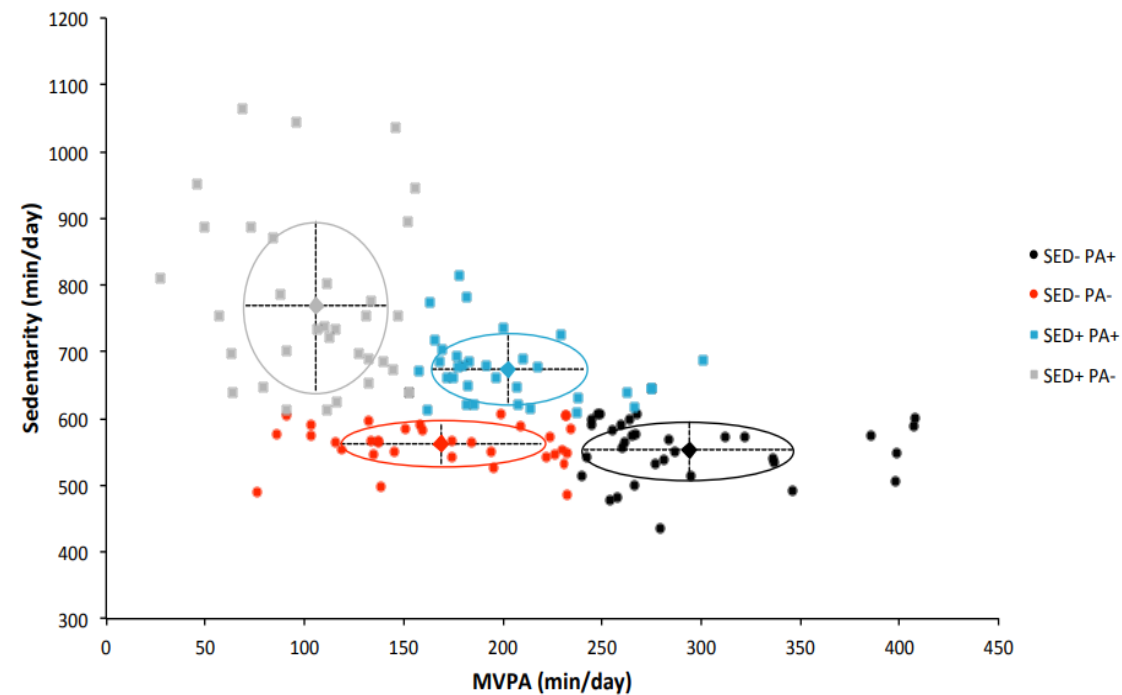
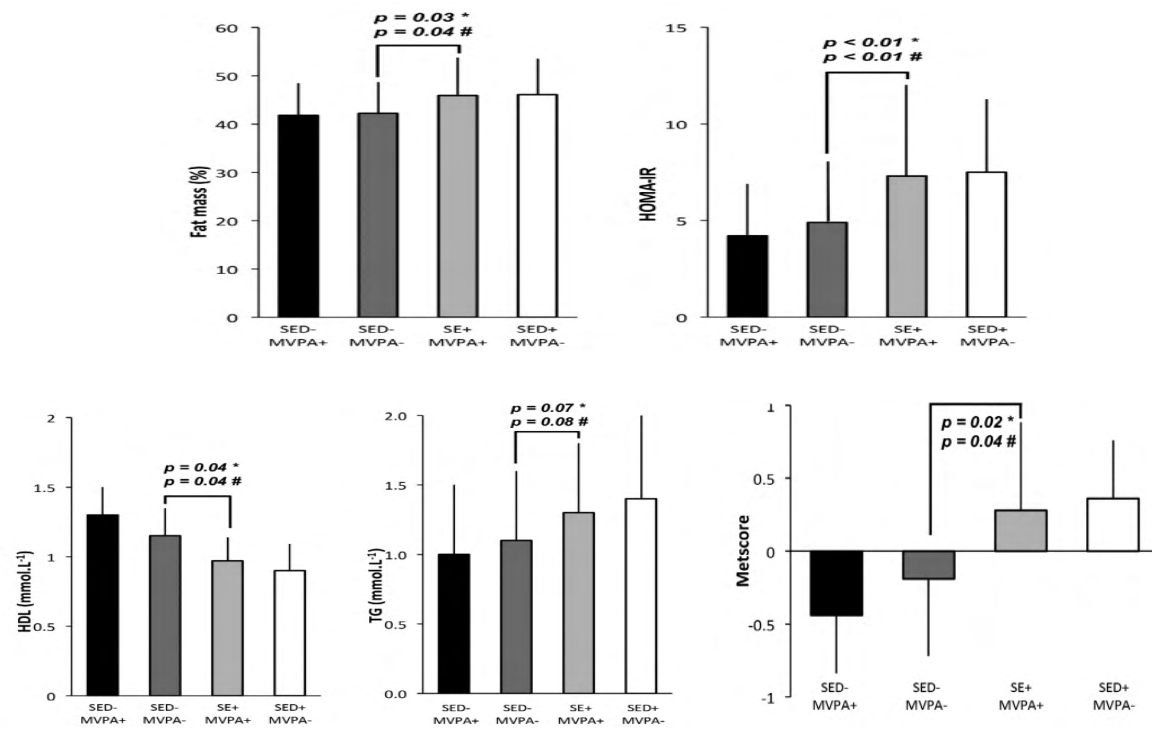
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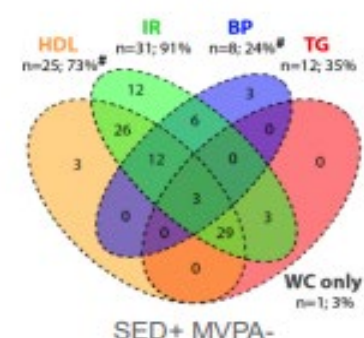
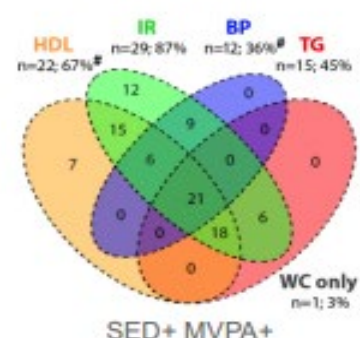
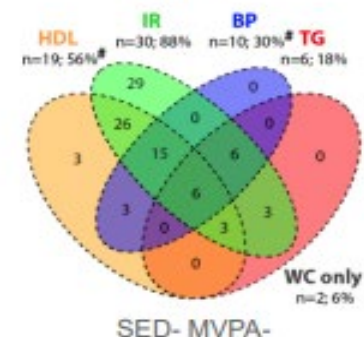
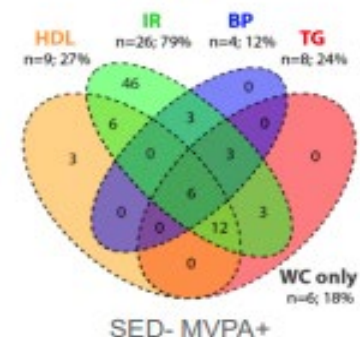
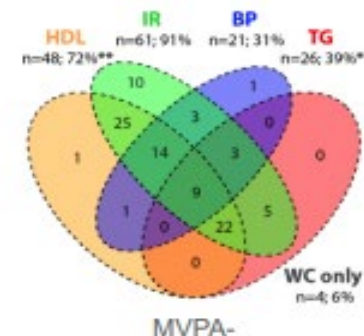
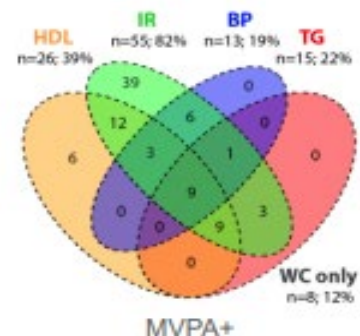
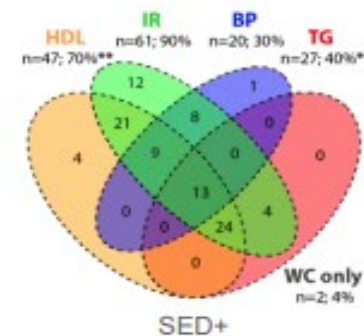
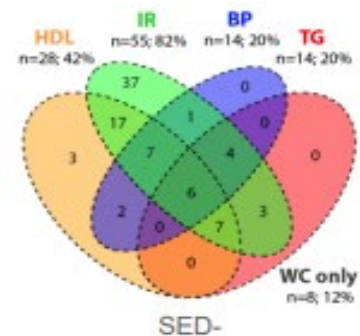
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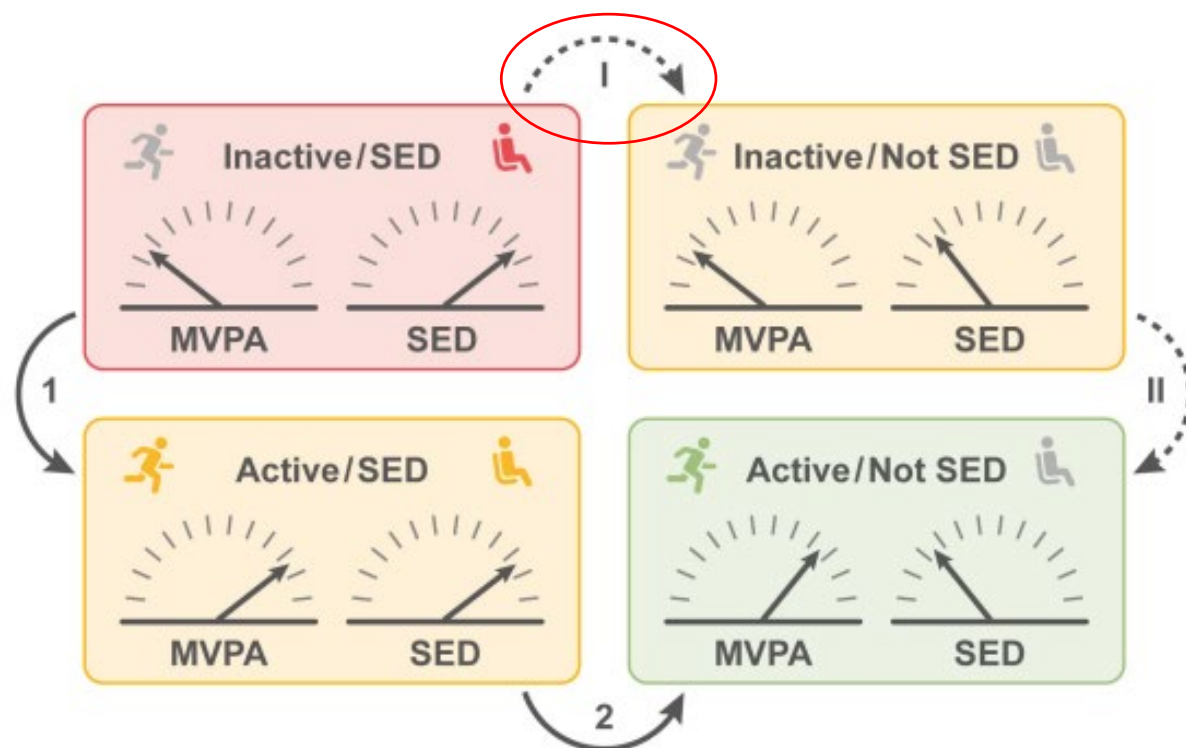
Association between Metabolic Syndrome Diagnosis and the Physical Activity—Sedentary Profile of Adolescents with Obesity: A Complementary Analysis of the Beta-JUDO Study

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SEDENTARY TIME



Transport



Screen time



Screen time



Sitting



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Effects of multidisciplinary interventions on weight loss and health outcomes in children and adolescents with morbid obesity

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Summary

Objective: Morbid obesity is the fastest growing subcategory of childhood obesity, associated with an increased health risk that persists into adulthood. There is an urgent need to develop multifaceted interventions that target initial and long-term lifestyle changes. This review investigates the effects of multidisciplinary interventions on weight loss and health outcomes in children and adolescents with morbid obesity. The influence of age, gender and family participation on health outcomes and intensive treatment alternatives are explored.

Methods: The review includes 16 studies conducted between 1995 and 2017. Studies examined youth with morbid obesity, 4–18 years old, undergoing multidisciplinary treatment.

Results: All studies found a reduction in body mass index (BMI or z-score) and if measured, cardiovascular risk factors. Physical activity, nutrition education, behavioural modification and family involvement are commonly included treatment components and have improved weight loss and health-related outcomes. However, initial weight loss was often not sustainable, despite the favourable interventional effect on cardiometabolic risk markers. Weight loss was prolonged in younger children and among the male sex.

Conclusions: There is not a 'one-size-fits-all' treatment approach, and matched care to personal needs is preferable. The integration of a chronic care approach is critical for the successful adaption of sustainable health behaviours.

Keywords: Cardiovascular diseases, childhood obesity, morbid obesity, obesity treatment.

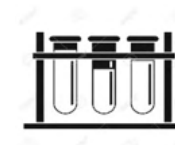
Abbreviations: BMI, Body mass index; CVD, Cardiovascular disease; mHealth, Mobile health; RYGB, Roux-en-Y gastric bypass; SG, Sleeve gastrectomy.

Introduction

The childhood obesity epidemic is a critical public health challenge facing the 21st century, incurring a significant loss of quality of life and increased costs to society and healthcare systems worldwide (1). Despite the stabilization trend of childhood obesity prevalence in the United States, a greater shift toward severe or morbid obesity has emerged (1,2). Alarming, morbid obesity is the

fastest growing subcategory of childhood obesity, affecting 4%–6% of youth in the United States (1,3). In European countries such as the Netherlands, the prevalence of morbid obesity among children has also been steadily increasing (4).

When compared to children with overweight or obesity, individuals with morbid obesity possess a significant health risk that is likely to project into adulthood, including the potential for developing life-threatening chronic diseases,



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Response: *In Situ* Mobilization of Patients with Obesity as a Key Determinant of Weight Loss Interventions (J Obes Metab Syndr 2020;29:292-302)

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While there is a growing body of evidence regarding the metabolic, physiological, or functional benefits of multi-disciplinary weight loss interventions in adolescents who are overweight and obese, their effects on mental health, well-being, health-related quality of life (HRQOL), and perceived physical-fitness and health remain less explored. Our research group recently tried to better understand these potential psycho-physiological responses to multi-disciplinary weight loss programs by considering different modalities of exercise interventions in obese adolescents.¹ In particular, we recently reported in *Journal of Obesity & Metabolic Syndrome*, that a 4-month multi-disciplinary intervention incorporating high-intensity interval training improved HRQOL and perception of health and physical fitness in obese adolescents, and that most of these improvements were associated with degree of weight loss.²

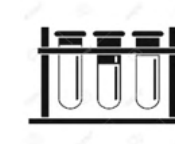
In an Letter to the Editor, Choi³, while pointing out the quality and relevance of our work and its results, also stressed the necessity to fully consider the nature of the psychological support received by the adolescents, as well as the potential implication of their initial motivation when engaging in such interventions. We would like to thank Choi³ for raising these important points, giving us the op-

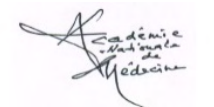
portunity to complete our initial publication, and to initiate what we believe are necessary discussions regarding the role and implications of adolescent (and overall patients) motivation and engagement in clinical interventions.

First, the psychological intervention the adolescents received a monthly 90-minute session of psychological support through individual consultations with a professional. Sessions focused on self-esteem and emotional, social, and familial relationships and issues. As suggested by Choi³, psychological sessions can focus on motivation of patients to engage in the intervention efforts and to lose weight, which will impact their engagement with the program and affect the success of the intervention. However, our sessions mainly focused on coping with social and emotional difficulties that often accompany pediatric obesity.

In his paper, Choi³ describes the importance of considering patient motivation, adherence, and engagement for intervention success. We agree and would like to take advantage of this opportunity to explore these concepts and clarify their potential implication for success of behavioral and clinical programs.

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