## **Introducing Sarcopenia Cohort**

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a Global Village and
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May We Strive for
Peace and Humanity
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Global Cooperation
Society.

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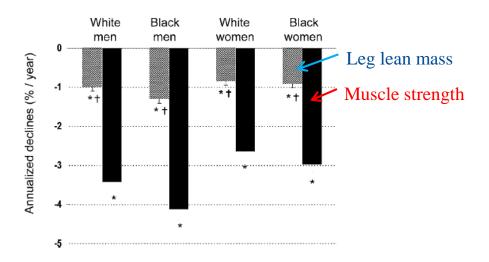
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## Basic knowledges

1. With aging in older adults, decline in muscle strength is about 3 times as many as the loss in muscle mass



2. The loss in muscle mass and strength with aging is greater in men than women

## **Decline in muscle mass for 2 years**



➤ The Loss in muscle mass in older adults is more severe in lower extremities than upper extremities

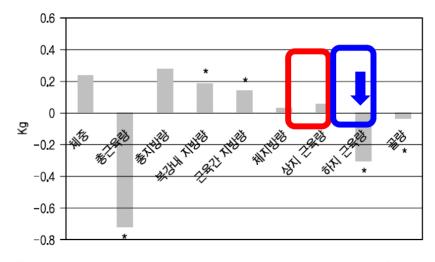


Fig. 1. Changes in body composition over 2 years in 26 African-American women older than 65 years (modified from reference 8). \*p < 0.05.

Am J clin Nutr, 2004; 79: 874-80

미국 흑인 여성 (평균연령 75.5 y) whole-body magnetic resonance imaging

# Muscle strength, not muscle mass (DXA) wards Global Eminence was a/w low performance 5 yrs later

Table 3 Predictors for adverse clinical outcomes of mortality and low physical performance

	Women HR or OR (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	<i>P</i> -value	Men HR or OR (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	<i>P</i> -value
Predictors of mortality, model 1 (nor	malized leg muscle strength	1)		
Normalized leg muscle strength	0.927 (0.080–10.788)	0.952	0.550 (0.155-1.959)	0.357
ASM/Ht <sup>2</sup>	0.793 (0.301-2.094)	0.640	0.824 (0.493-1.375)	0.459
Percentage fat mass	0.915 (0.842-0.995)	0.038	1.015 (0.957-1.076)	0.628
Serum albumin	0.084 (0.007-0.972)	0.047	NA	
Predictors of mortality, model 2 (grip	strength)			
Grip strength	0.976 (0.922-1.033)	0.397	0.987 (0.961-1.013)	0.312
ASM/Ht <sup>2</sup>	0.878 (0.342-2.254)	0.787	0.867 (0.536-1.400)	0.559
Percentage fat mass	0.910 (0.842-0.984)	0.018	1.013 (0.961-1.067)	0.631
Serum albumin	0.068 (0.007-0.660)	0.020	NA	
Predictors of low performance, mode	el 1 (normalized leg muscle	strength)		
Normalized leg muscle strength	0.107 (0.016-0.704)	0.020	0.123 (0.018–0.821)	0.031
ASM/Ht <sup>2</sup>	0.937 (0.448-1.961)	0.864	0.841 (0.455–1.555)	0.581
Percentage fat mass	1.036 (0.965-1.112)	0.328	1.001 (0.933-1.073)	0.984
Regular exercise	1.434 (0.600-3.430)	0.417	NA	
Predictors of low performance, mode	el 2 (grip strength)			
Grip strength	0.998 (0.963-1.036)	0.933	0.950 (0.912-0.989)	0.012
ASM/Ht <sup>2</sup>	0.929 (0.439-1.966)	0.847	0.956 (0.521-1.754)	0.884
Percentage fat mass	1.051 (0.980-1.126)	0.162	1.024 (0.959-1.093)	0.481
Regular exercise	1.304 (0.553-3.073)	0.545	NA	

<sup>†</sup>Hazard ratio (HR) for predictors of mortality or odds ratio (OR) for predictors of low performance. All models were adjusted for age, Mini-Mental Status Examination and Geriatric Depression Scale. ASM/Ht², appendicular skeletal mass divided by height squared; NA, not applicable.

### 1. the modality for muscle measure matters.



Muscle strength was a/w 5-year mortality, but Leg or arm lean mass by DXA was not a/w 5-year mortality

Leg lean mass by CT was significantly a/w 5-year mortality

Muscle itself is not a problem, but the modality for muscle measure matters.

Strength	No. of Deaths	Person-Years	Crude Rate per 1000 Person-Years	Unadjusted HR (95% CI)
Men				
Quadriceps strength (per 38.0 Nm) Grip strength (per 10.7 kg)	180	5445	33.1	1.51 (1.28–1.79) 1.36 (1.13–1.64)
Women				
Quadriceps strength (per 38.0 Nm) Grip strength (per 10.7 kg)	106	5855	18.1	1.65 (1.19–2.30) 1.84 (1.28–2.65)
Total				
Quadriceps strength (per 38.0 Nm) Grip strength (per 10.7 kg)	286	11300	25.3	1.54 (1.32–1.79) <sup>§</sup> 1.45 (1.23–1.71) <sup>§</sup>

Table 3. Muscle Size–Mortality Risk per Standard Deviation in Men and Women

With the Women				
HR (95% CI) Unadjusted	HR (95% CI) Multivariate Adjustment*			
1.32 (1.09-1.61)	$1.26 (1.02-1.55)^{\dagger}$			
1.06 (0.87-1.30)	$0.98 (0.75-1.28)^{\ddagger}$			
1.06 (0.84–1.33)	1.0 (0.76–1.33)‡ 2.0			
1.19 (0.86-1.64)	$0.94 \ (0.66-1.35)^{\dagger}$			
1.16 (0.85-1.57)	$0.96 (0.61-1.51)^{\ddagger}$			
1.12 (0.74–1.70)	$1.0 (0.61-1.65)^{\ddagger} 2.0$			
1.29 (1.09-1.52)§	1.16 (0.97-1.39) <sup>†</sup>			
1.09 (0.92-1.29)§	0.95 (0.76–1.20)‡			
1.08 (0.89–1.32)§	$0.99 (0.77-1.26)^{\ddagger}$			
	Unadjusted  1.32 (1.09–1.61) 1.06 (0.87–1.30) 1.06 (0.84–1.33)  1.19 (0.86–1.64) 1.16 (0.85–1.57) 1.12 (0.74–1.70)  1.29 (1.09–1.52) 1.09 (0.92–1.29) §			

*Notes*: \*All multivariate models also adjusted additionally for age and other factors in stepwise model including race, height, smoking status, physical activity level, number of chronic conditions, education, log interleukin-6, and Center for Epidemiologic Studies-Depression (CES-D) scale score.

Health ABC. 70-79yr old Journal of Gerontology. 2006, Vol. 61A, No. 1, 72–77

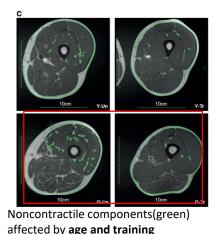
# 2. Aging increases noncontractile component(fat infiltration, fibrosis) in muscle

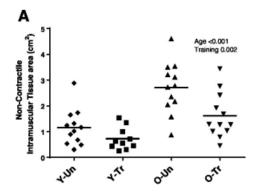


 the aging muscle not only suffers from muscle atrophy but also from increase fat infiltration and fibrosis in muscle

→ Aged muscle has <u>Lower muscle strength compared to</u> <u>muscle mass volume</u> (low muscle quality!!)

Y-Un: young, untrained Y-Tr: young, trained O-Un: old, untrained O-Tr: old, trained







# 3. Decrease in motor neuron unit with aging accelerates muscle strength declines

- Motor neuron (activation) is as much important for m. strength
- loss of motor neurons begins around the age of 50 yr

→ muscle strength is lost to a greater degree than muscle mass during aging

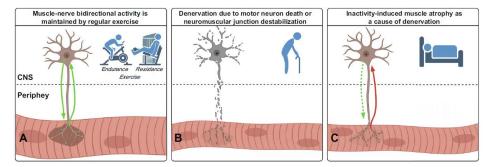


Figure 2. Bidirectional signaling between muscle fibers and motor neurons. Green and red arrows represent positive and negative signaling, respectively, between cells. A: exercise promotes motor neuron survival and NMJ maintance via mutually beneficial anterograde (nerve to muscle) and retrograde (muscle to nerve) signaling between the muscle fiber and motor neuron. Heavy loading or fatigue is important for the recruitment of large and fast motor units. B: motor neuron death or NMJ destabilization deprives the muscle of neural input and causes muscle fiber atrophy and eventually muscle fiber death. C. muscle atrophy due to other factors (physical inactivity, malnutrition, and disease) alters innervation status, through a reduction in anterograde transmission and a lack of retrograde transmission of neurotrophic factors or an increase in signals hostile to the motor neuron. Created with



## Definition of sarcopenia

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• AWGS 2019 Guideline: "age-related loss of skeletal muscle mass plus loss of muscle strength or reduced physical performance,"

'Not' diabetes, CVD

• **EWGSOP2** Guideline(2018): a <u>progressive and generalised</u> skeletal muscle disorder that is associated with <u>increased likelihood of adverse outcomes</u> including **falls**, **fractures**, **physical disability and mortality**. Muscle strength comes to the forefront, as it is recognized that strength is better than mass in predicting adverse outcomes



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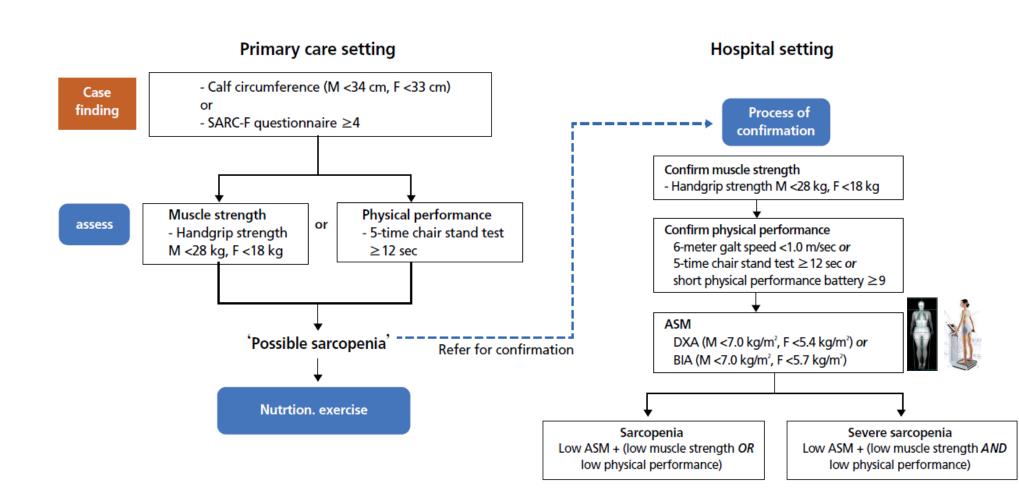
## Asian Working Group for Sarcopenia: 2019 Consensus Update on Sarcopenia Diagnosis and Treatment



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## **AWGS 2019 guideline**







## **Cohorts related with sarcopenia**

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- Korean Frailty and Aging Cohort Study (KFACS)
- KoGES
- SOMMA
- UK BIOBANK
- NILS-LSA



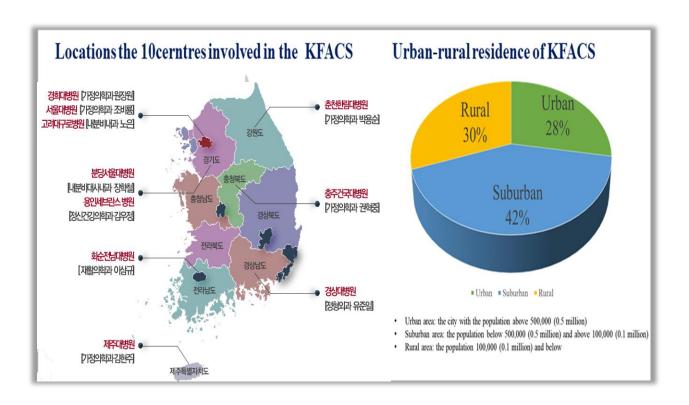
## **Korean Frailty and Aging Cohort Study (KFACS)**



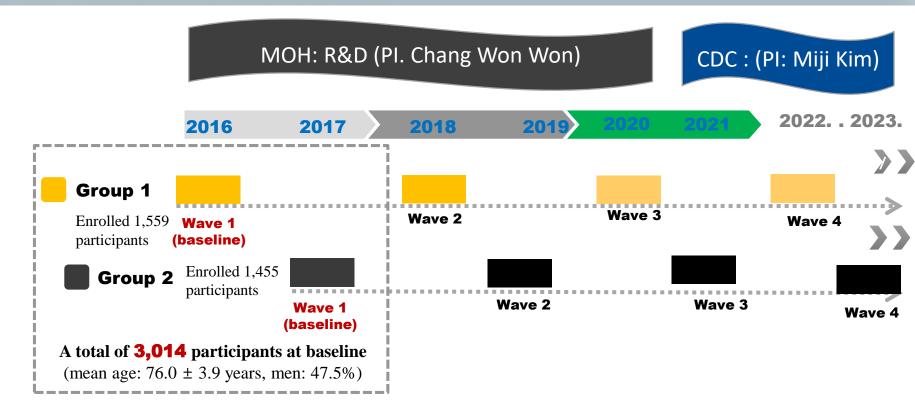




- aged 70–84 years at baseline
- Community-dwelling
- Recruited nation-widely at 10 centers



## KFACS scheme



### Collected Data of KFACS





#### **Body composition**

**Dual energy X-ray absorptiometry (DEXA):** KFCAS 8 medical centers

Bioelectrical impedance Analysis (BIA): KFCAS 2 medical centers

Ultrasound: muscle quality (2018, Kyung Hee University site only)



### **Physical function**

#### Hand grip strength:

Digital handgrip dynamometer (T.K.K.5401, Takei Scientific Instruments Co, Ltd., Tokyo, Japan).

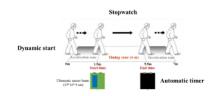
#### 4-m usual gait speed:

Automatic timer & manual timer

## **Short Physical Performance Battery:**

Three standing balance Five chair-stand time Usual gait speed

#### Timed up-and-go test



#### **Contents**

CBC (WBC, RBC, Hb, HCT, MCV, MCHC, platelet)

AST, ALT, GGT, Total protein, Albumin, Total bilirubin, Alk. phosphatase, Creatine kinase, BUN, Creatinine, Na, K, Cl, Urine 10 (stick), Urine

microspeopie, Cystatin C, HBS Ag

 $Glucose\ (FBS), Ca, Phosphorus\ (Pi), Mg, HbA1c, Total\ cholesterol, LDL-C,$ 

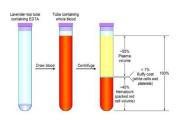
HDL-C, Triglyceride, 25(OH) Vit D, Vitamin B12

Free T4, TSH, Insulin, Cortisol (S), Free testosterone, DHEA, IGF-1

hs-CRP, GDF-15

Myostatin, AMPK(phenotype)

urinalysis





### Collected Data of KFACS





#### Anthropometry

Body weight Height

Head circumference
Waist circumference

Leg length

Upper arm circumference Calf circumference

#### **Health behaviors**

Smoking Alcohol drinking

Sleep Physical activity (IPAQ) IPAQ environmental module

Nutritional risk (MNA)
Dietary patterns
Food security

Oral hygiene Dental checkup

Health checkup

#### **Health status**

Self-rated health (SF-12) Comorbidity Medications

Quality of life (EQ-5D) Depressive symptoms(GDS-SF) ADL/IADL

Falls Experience, reason, injury, fear of falling Activities-specific Balance Confidence scale (ABC)

Oral health: Mastication Pronunciation difficulties

Women's health: menopause, HRT

Appetite: SNAQ
(Simplified Nutritional Appetite Questionnaire)
Functional constipation

Resilience (Brief Resilience Scale)

### **Cognitive function**

#### Global cognition:

Mini-Mental State Examination

#### **Executive function:**

Frontal Assessment Battery:
Similarities, Lexical fluency, Fist-Edge-Palm,
Conflicting instructions, Go-No-Go,
Prehension behavior

#### **Processing speed:**

Trail Making Test A

#### Memory:

Word list memory/recall/ recognition

#### **Attention:**

Digit span forward/ digit span backward

Korean version of the Alzheimer disease 8 (proxy interview)

※ Neuropsychological battery: the Korean Version of the Consortium to Establish a Registry for Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Packet (CERAD-K) and the Korean version of the Frontal Assessment Battery

## Prevalence of sarcopenia, Korea



- older adults in community, KFACS, 70-84 yrs

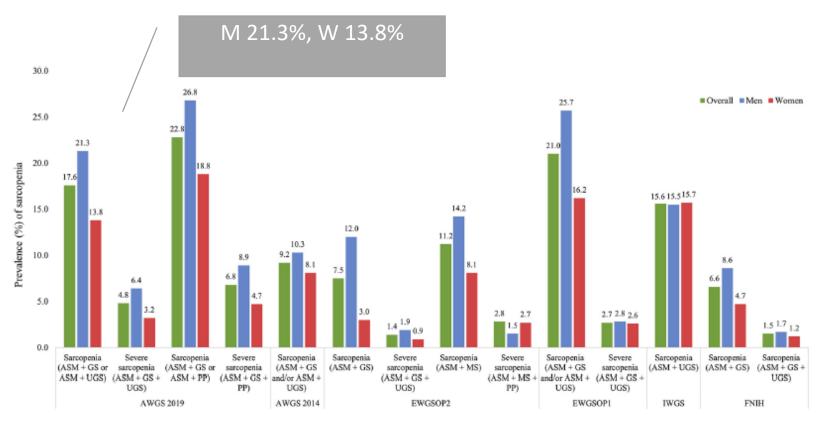


Fig. 1. Prevalence (%) of sarcopenia according to diagnostic criteria. The prevalence rates of sarcopenia as defined by the AWGS 2019, AWGS 2004, EWGSOP1, EWGSOP2, and FNIH criteria were significantly different between men and women (P < .05). The prevalence of severe sarcopenia as defined by the AWGS 2019 was significantly different between men and women (P < .05). Sarcopenia was defined as low muscle strength (MS), low ASM (expressed as ASM/height<sup>2</sup> or ASM/BMI), and/or low physical performance (PP). BMI, body mass index; GS, grip strength; FNIH, Foundation for the National Institutes of Health; IWGS, International Working Group on Sarcopenia; UGS, usual gait speed.

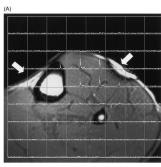
## **SOMMA** cohort

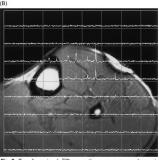


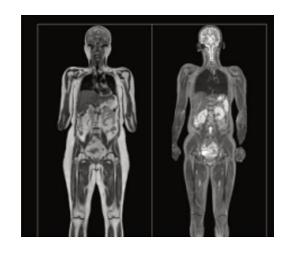


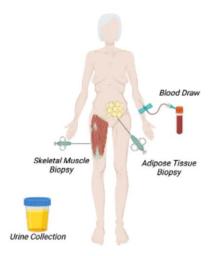
#### To investigate

- ✓ Mitochondrial function (ATP synthesis rate) by <sup>31</sup>P MR spectroscopy
- ✓ Muscle quality by whole-body imaging (MRI & CT)
- ✓ cellular biology of aging by Muscle & fat biopsy, blood test



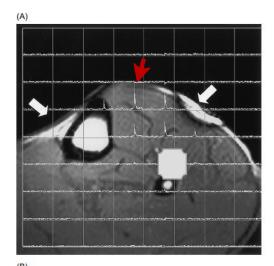


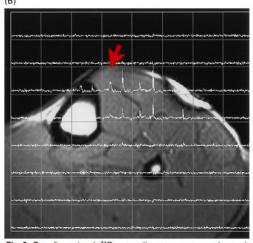


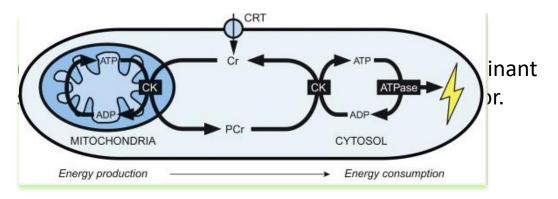




\* Assess mitochondrial function (ATP synthesis rate)







PCr + ADP + H+ 
$$\leftrightarrow$$
 ATP +
Cr phosphocreatine(PCr)

ATP + H2O  $\rightarrow$  ADP + Pi +
H+.

(B) Spectroscopic image obtained **during exercise**. Now an increased **Pi peak** is observed at the left side of the PCr peak

Proceedings of the Nutrition Society (1999), 58, 861-



### **SOMMA Aims**

- How do cellular properties in muscle contribute to declines in mobility – strength, walking, and fitness – with aging.
- Develop an archive of resources tissue, blood, and phenotypic data – for the study of the cellular biology of human aging.



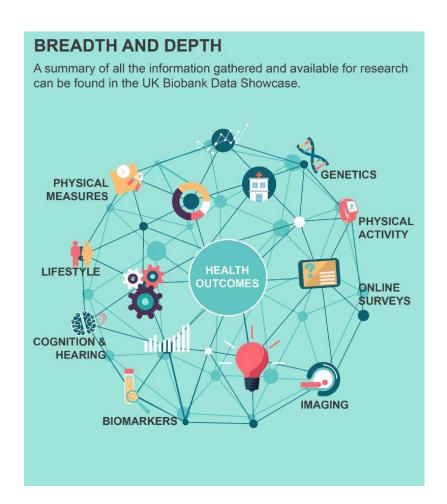
## **SOMMA Design**

- Measures muscle size
- 879 women & men age ≥ age 70 (MRI- muscle volume. D3Cr muscle mass)
- Plus 80 participants ages 30-69

- April 2019 ~ : 2 Medical sites
- Communities around U. Pittsburgh and Wake Forest
- Must walk >0.6 m/s and able to walk 400 m
- Tissue biopsies & plus 2 days of examinations
  - Biopsies and biological specimens managed by Adventist Health (Translational Sciences Institute)
- Annual follow-up for 3 years
- In the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, we repeat some key baseline assessments







- a <u>population-based</u> prospective epidemiological study
- human health data from over 500, 000 adults aged 40-69 years from the United Kingdom
- Baseline Recruitment were done in 2006-2010.
- assessment involved sociodemographic and lifestyle factors, physical measurements, blood, and urine samples.

#### Table 2. Data collected at the baseline assessment.

Questionnaire and interview	
Sociodemographic	Social class; ethnicity; employment status; marital status; education; income; car ownership
Family history and early life exposures	Family history of major diseases; birth weight; breast feeding; maternal smoking; childhood body size; residence at birth
Psychosocial factors	Neurosis; depression (including bi-polar spectrum disorder); social support
Environmental factors	Current address; current (or last) occupation; domestic heating and cooking fuel; housing; means of travel; shift work; mobile phone use; sun exposure
Lifestyle	Smoking; alcohol consumption; physical activity; diet; sleep
Health status	Medical history; medications; disability; hearing; sight; sexual and reproductive history
Hearing threshold	Speech reception threshold*
Cognitive function	Pairs matching; reaction time; prospective memory*; fluid intelligence*; numeric memory <sup>†</sup>

#### **Physical measures**

Blood pressure and heart rate	two automated measures, one minute apart
Grip strength	Left- and right-hand grip strength
Anthropometrics	Standing and sitting height; weight and bio-impedance; hip and waist circumference
Spirometry	Up to three measures
Bone density <sup>‡</sup>	Calcaneal ultrasound
Arterial stiffness <sup>¶</sup>	Pulse wave velocity
Eye examination§	Refractive index, intraocular pressure; acuity; retinal photograph; optical coherence tomography
Fitness test <sup>§</sup>	Cycle ergometry with electrocardiogram (ECG) heart rate monitoring

<sup>\*</sup> assessed in 170,000 participants;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> assessed in 50,000 participants;

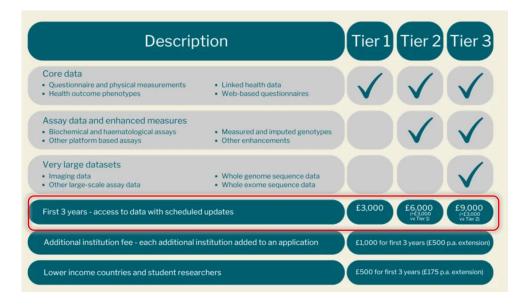
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup>measured in one heel for 170,000 participants and in both heels for 320,000 participants;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>¶</sup> measured in 170,000 participants;

<sup>§</sup> measured in 100,000 participants

Data type	Number of participants	Details	Date of data acquisition	Date first available for research <sup>‡</sup>
Baseline assessment	Whole cohort	Questionnaire, physical measures, samples (see <u>Table 2</u> ); haematological assays done on fresh blood samples	2006–2010	Q2 2012
Repeat of baseline assessment	20,000–25,000	As above every few years, to allow correction for regression dilution due to measurement error and within person fluctuations in exposure levels [12].	2013–	Q3 2013
Biochemical assays (of baseline samples)	Whole cohort	Biomarkers with known disease associations (e.g., lipids for vascular disease), diagnostic value (e.g., $HbA_{1c}$ for diabetes), or ability to characterize phenotypes not otherwise well assessed (e.g., renal and liver function tests).	2014–2015	2015
Genotyping (of baseline samples)	Whole cohort	Dense genotyping chip with >800,000 markers including: approximately 250,000 SNPs in a whole-genome array; approximately 200,000 markers covering CNV, loss of function, insertions, deletions, and previously identified risk factor or disease associations; approximately 150,000 exome markers covering a high proportion of nonsynonymous coding variants with allele frequency >0.02%.	2013–2015	2015
Dietary Web questionnaire	210,000	Automatically coded dietary recall questionnaire, providing estimates of nutrient intake. 80,000 respondents completed it $\geq$ three times.	2011–2012	Q2 2013
Other Web questionnaires	350,000 to be approached	Participants invited by email to provide additional information via Web questionnaires about exposures (e.g., occupation) and health outcomes (cognitive function, depression) that are not readily identified from health record linkages.	2014–	2015
Accelerometry	100,000	Wrist-worn tri-axial accelerometers record information on type, intensity, and duration of physical activity.	2013–2015	2015
Multimodal imaging	100,000	MRI brain, heart, and abdomen (for lipid distribution); ultrasound of carotid arteries; whole body DXA scan of bones and joints	Pilot phase: 2014– 2015 Main phase: 2016–2019	2015
Health record linkage	Whole cohort			
Death registrations		ICD-coded cause specific mortality	2006–	Q2 2013
Cancer registrations		ICD-coded cancer diagnoses	1971-*	Q2 2013
Hospital inpatient episo	des	ICD-coded diagnoses, OPCS-coded procedures	1997–*	Q4 2013
Hospital outpatient epis	odes	Limited ICD and OPCS coding	2003-*	2015
Primary care		Read-coded information including diagnoses, measurements, referrals, prescriptions	Variable	2015

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## the Korean Genome and Epidemiology Study (KoGES) Eminence

- Ansan and Anseong cohorts of the KOGES
- 40 to 69 years, began in 2001. biennially evaluated
- The Korea Biobank Array generated 500,568 SNPs for this dataset
- multi-frequency BIA machine (Inbody 330; Biospace, Seoul, Korea)

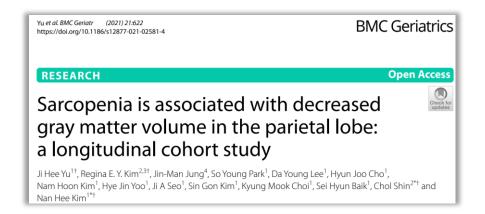
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# the Korean Genome and Epidemiology Study Global Eminence (KOGES)

- During the 6th and 7th examination cycles (2011–2014), brain magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans and handgrip
- Four years later, follow-up brain MRI scans were conducted during the 8th and 9th exams (2015–2018).

strength data were acquired.





## National Institute for Longevity Sciences-Longitudinal Study of Aging (NILS-LSA), Japan

#### Purpose

- ➤ Systematic observation and description of the process of normal aging
- ➤ To identify factors associated with longevity
- Dynamic cohort (1st–7th wave)



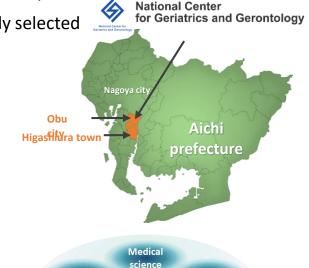
Area: Obu and Higashiura in Aichi Prefecture, Japan

 Participants: Community dwellers randomly selected and stratified by age and gender

Age at baseline: 40–79 years

◆ 1st Wave (1997–2000) Participants

Age	Men	Women	Total
40–49	291	282	573
50–59	282	279	561
60–69	283	285	568
70–79	283	282	565
Total	1,139	1,128	2,267



**NILS-LSA** 

Exercise

physiology

Frailty

Nutrition

Genetics

Sarcopenia

Dementia

Locomotive



**Psychology** 

Morphology

Mental health

Under

nutrition

Fall / Fracture

Some papers from KFACS, related with sarcopenia

### not in men

Observational Study



Sex differences in association between body composition and frailty or physical performance in community-dwelling older adults

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- ✓ DXA ✓ cross-sectional, KFACS cohort, Korea
- ✓ low physical performance (SPPB ≤9)

Table 5	
Univariate and multivariate logistic regression analyses of poor physical performance (SPPB score $\leq$ 9) and body composition.	

	Male		Female	
	OR (95% CI)	P	OR (95% CI)	P
BMI	0.952 (0.894-1.014)	.129	1.046 (1.001-1.093)	.045*
Unadjusted				
Fully adjusted <sup>†</sup>	0.967 (0.903-1.036)	.337	1.058 (1.008-1.111)	.022*
BFP	1.017 (0.986-1.049)	.293	1.001 (0.978-1.024)	.936
Unadjusted				
Fully adjusted <sup>†</sup>	1.018 (0.985-1.052)	.277	1.034 (1.008-1.061)	.010*
FMI	1.113 (0.925-1.113)	.757	1.035 (0.976-1.097)	.245
Unadjusted				
Fully adjusted <sup>†</sup>	1.028 (0.929-1.137)	.593	1.090 (1.023-1.161)	.008*
FFMI	0.836 (0.748-0.935)	.002*	1.096 (0.996-1.207)	.062
Unadjusted				
Fully adjusted <sup>†</sup>	0.865 (0.767-0.974)	.017*	1.002 (0.899-1.115)	.977
TFMI	1.030 (0.898-1.180)	0.674	1.080 (0.984-1.186)	.106
Unadjusted				
Fully adjusted <sup>†</sup>	1.043 (0.901-1.208)	0.573	1.121 (1.014-1.240)	.026*

BFP = body fat percentage, BMI = body mass index, CI = confidence interval, FFMI = fat-free mass index, FMI = fat mass index, OR = odds ratio, SPPB = short physical performance battery, TFMI = trunk fat mass index.

- "low" skeletal muscle index is negatively a/w SPPB ≤9, but trunk fat mass index is not in older men
  - "high" trunk Fat Mass Index is a/w SPPB ≤9, but "low" skeletal muscle index is not in older women

FMI were calculated as the total fat mass and trunk fat mass according and TFMI to height squared, respectively (fat mass [kg]/height [m][2]).[

Unless otherwise indicated, data are reported as relative risk (95% confidence interval).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Adjusted for age, years of education, location of residence, depression, marital status, monthly income, smoking, alcohol drinking, and comorbidities, including diabetes mellitus, dyslipidemia, hypertension, osteoarthritis, and osteoporosis

<sup>\*</sup>P<.05.

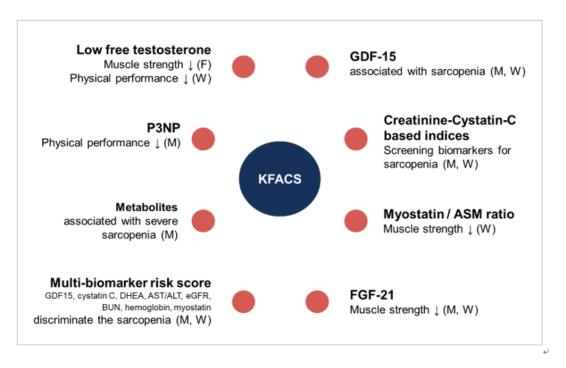


Figure 2. Blood-based biomarkers of sarcopenia: findings from the Korean Frailty and Aging Cohort Study (KFACS). "↑" refers to up-regulated; "↓" refers to down-regulated; "M" refers to men; "W" refers to women. *Abbreviations*: GDF-15, growth differentiation factor 15; P3NP, procollagen type III N-terminal peptide; FGF-21, fibroblast growth factor 21; ASM, appendicular skeletal muscle mass.



Thank you so much for your listening!

