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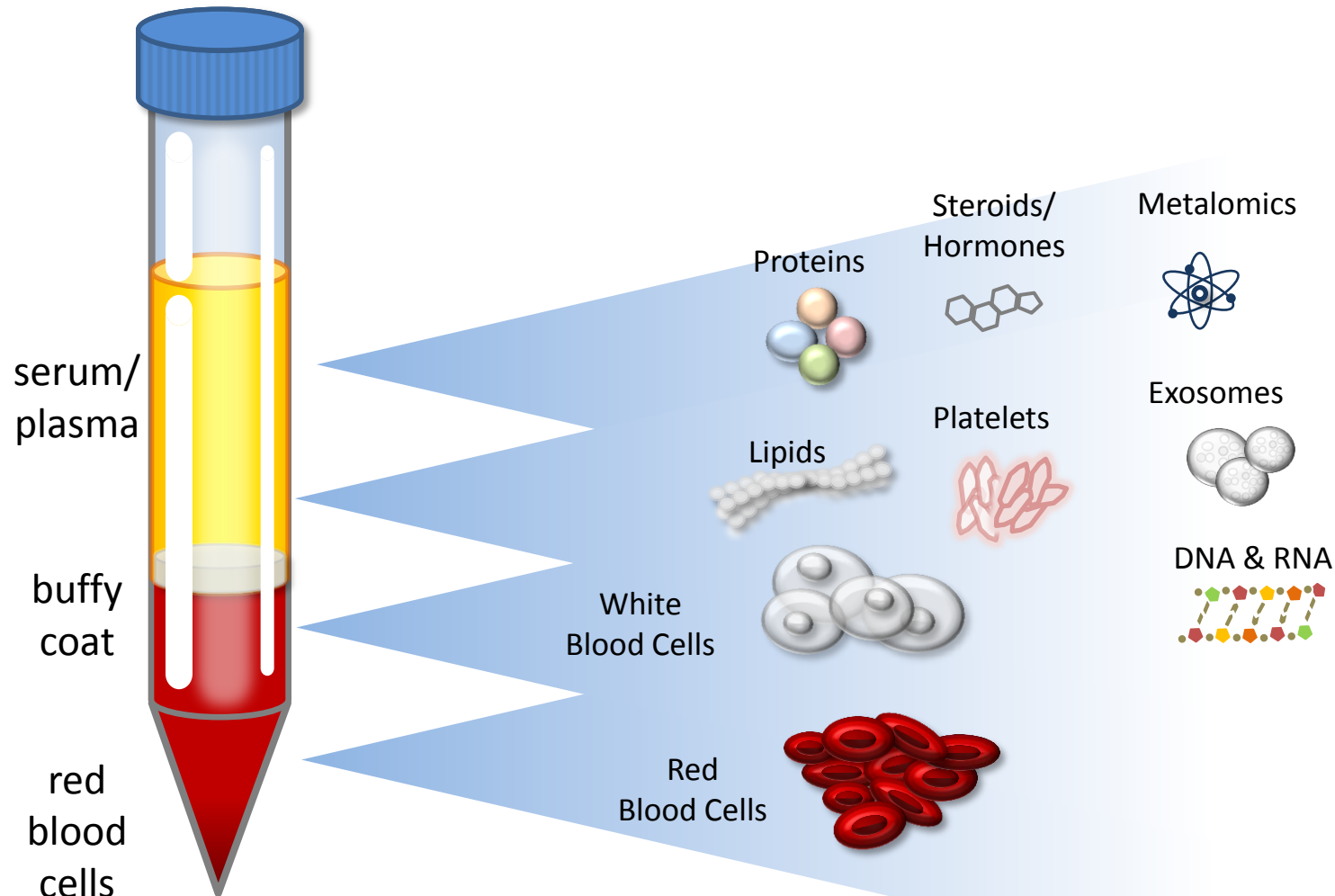


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Fractions and Analytes

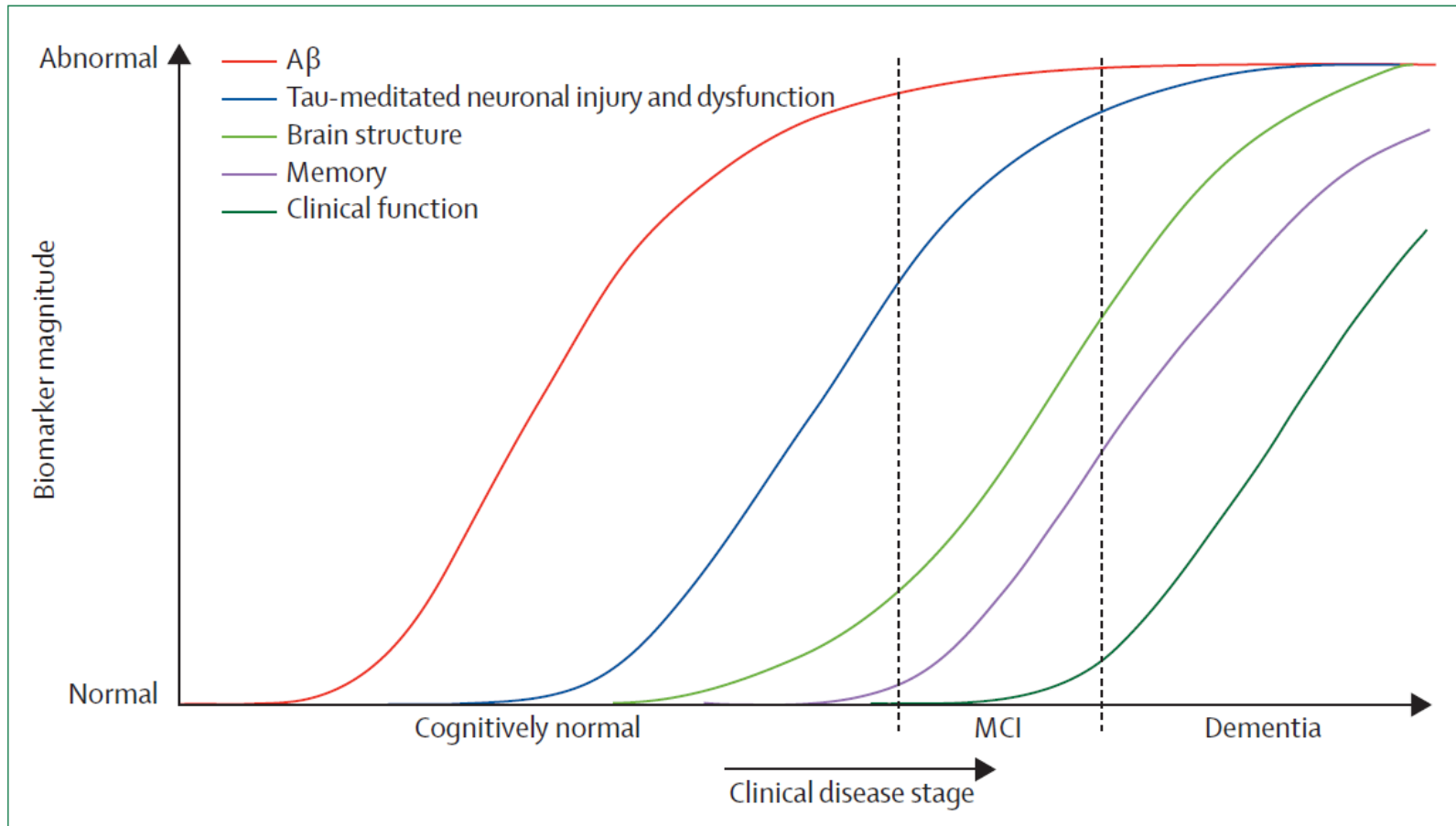


Fractions and Analytes

| Blood tube type | Fraction |
|---------------------|----------|
| 1. Serum | Serum |
| 2. Whole EDTA Blood | WB |
| 3. EDTA (PGE1) | Plasma |
| 4. Li/Hep | Plasma |
| 5. EDTA (PGE1) | Platelet |
| 6. Li/Hep | Platelet |
| 7. EDTA (PGE1) | WBC |
| 8. Li/Hep | WBC |
| 9. EDTA (PGE1) | RBC |
| 10. Li/Hep | RBC |
| 11. PaxGene tube | RNA |



Aims and Objectives



Hypothetical model of dynamic biomarkers of the Alzheimer's pathological cascade, Clifford R Jack Jr, David S Knopman, *et al. Lancet Neurol* 2010; 9: 119–28

Diagnostic & NAB Estimate

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTION

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Blood-Based Protein Biomarkers for Diagnosis of Alzheimer Disease

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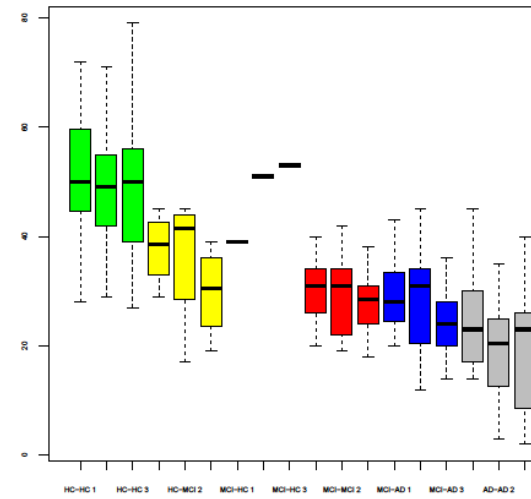
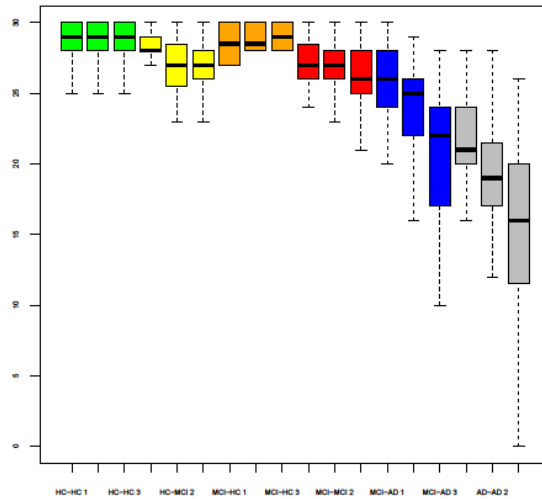
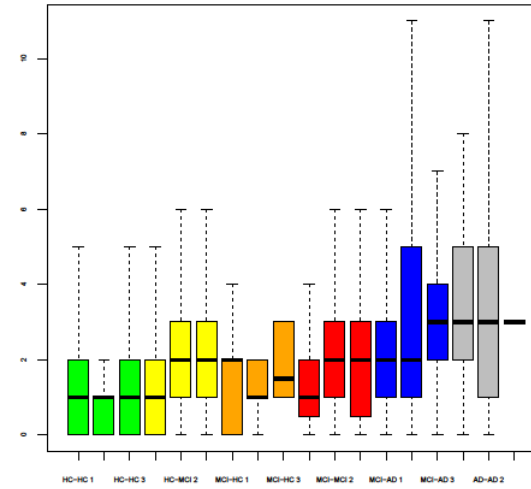
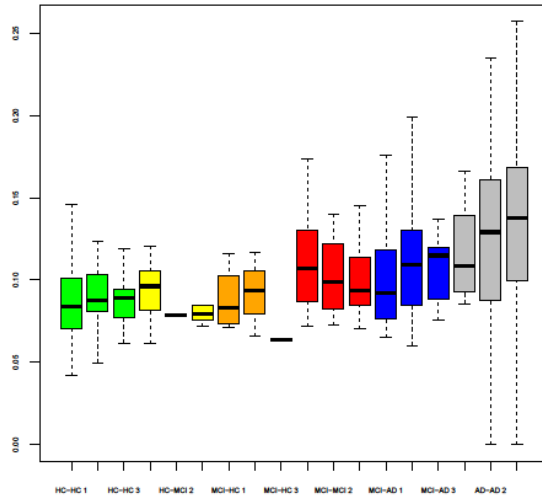
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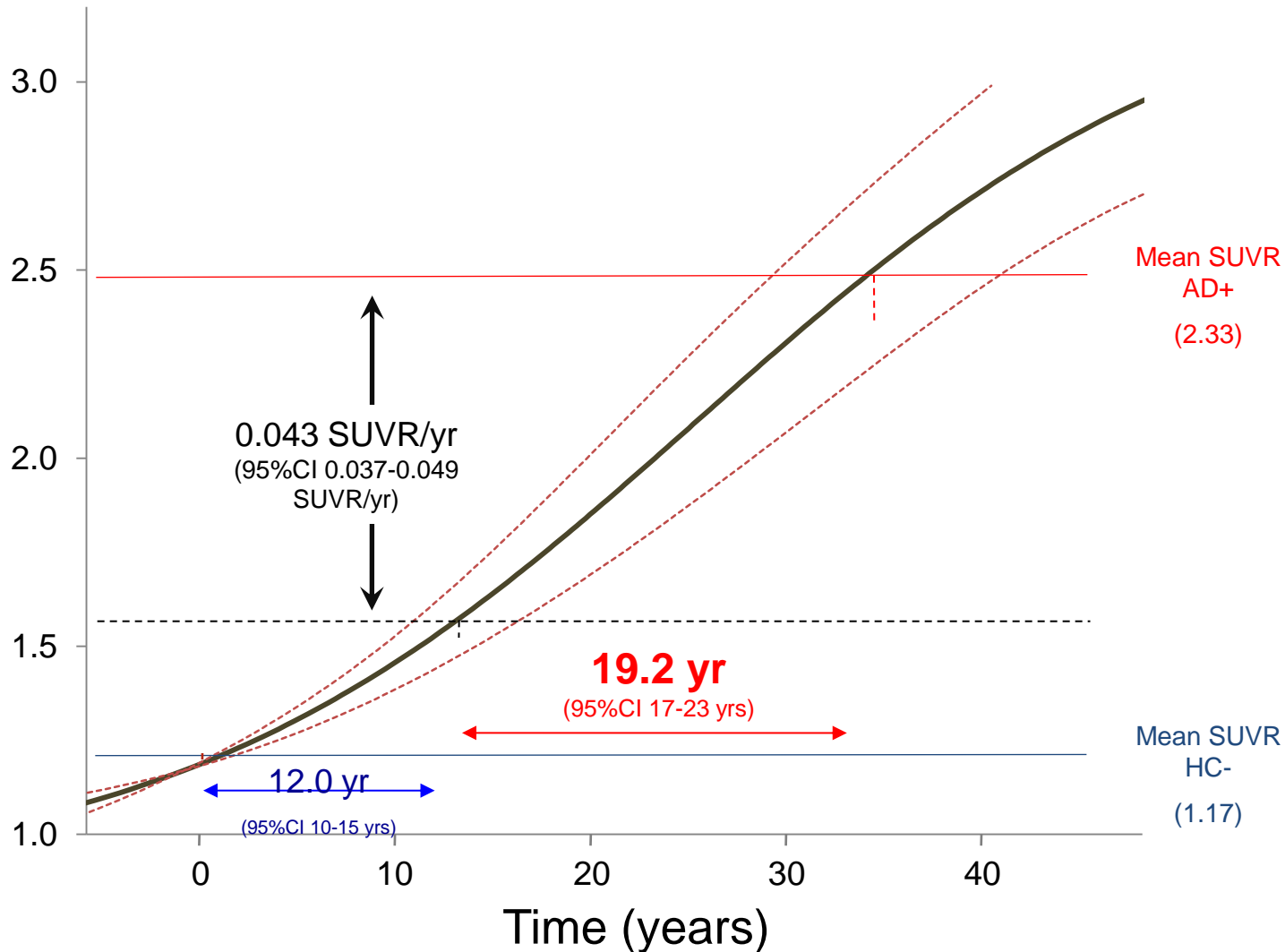
A blood-based predictor for neocortical A β burden in Alzheimer's disease: results from the AIBL study

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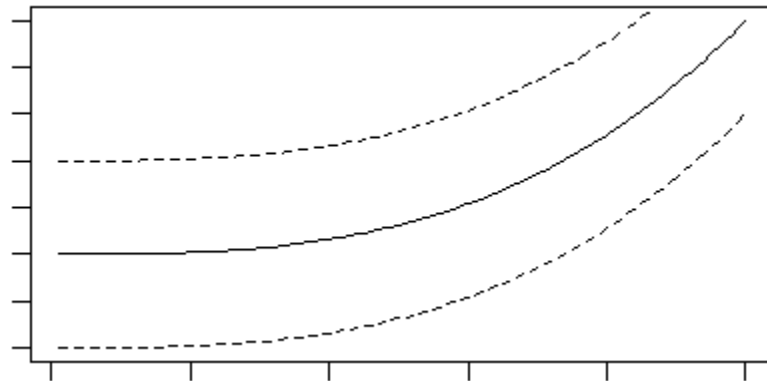
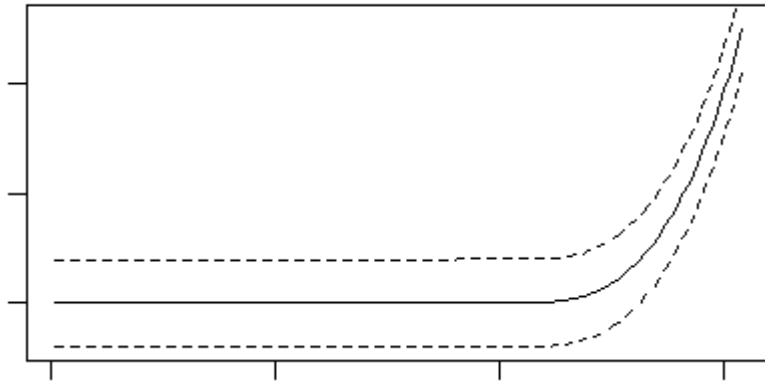
Transition Trajectories



Longitudinal Models



Longitudinal Models



Summary



Validation is imperative

THE AUSTRALIAN IMAGING, BIOMARKERS AND LIFESTYLE STUDY OF AGEING (AIBL): LIFESTYLE PROGRAMME

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Research to prevent & treat Alzheimer's disease



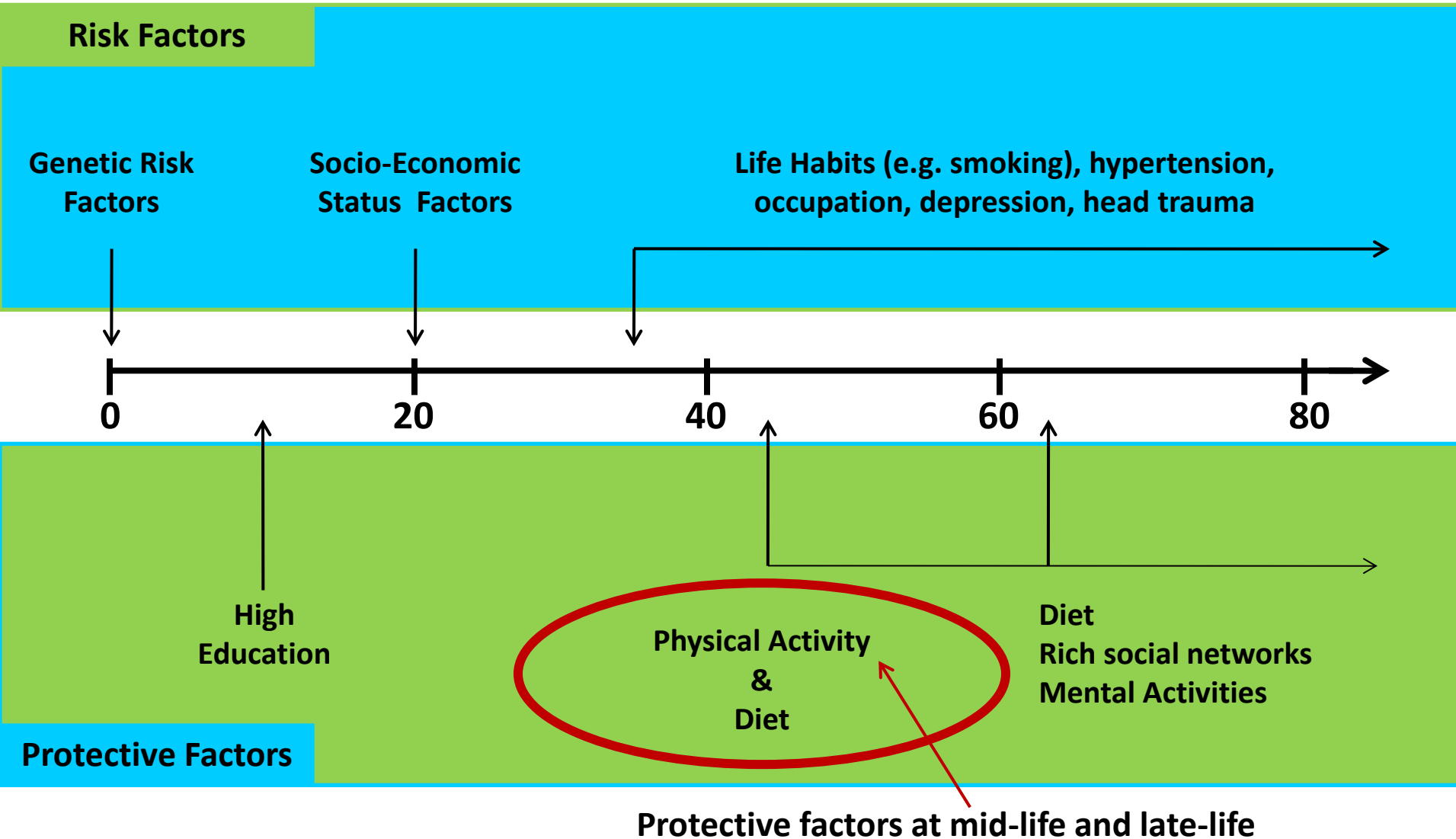
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Lifestyle factors in Alzheimer's Disease

A healthy lifestyle is associated with reduced cognitive decline and AD risk



Aβ40 is associated with cognitive function, body fat and physical fitness in healthy older adults

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Physical Activity, APOE Genotype, and Dementia Risk: Findings from the Cardiovascular Health Cognition Study

**Effect of Physical Activity on Cognitive Function
Risk for Alzheimer Disease**

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Improvement of Cognitive Function by Mental and/or Individualized Aerobic Training in Healthy Elderly Subjects

Mediterranean Diet and Risk for Alzheimer's Disease

Capitalizing on cortical plasticity: influence of physical activity on cognition and brain function

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Leisure-time physical activity at midlife and the risk of dementia and Alzheimer's disease

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RESEARCH

Lifestyle factors and risk of dementia: Dubbo Study of the elderly

Leon A Simons, Judith Simons, John McCallum and Yechiel Friedlander

Exercise Is Associated with Reduced Risk for Incident Dementia among Persons 65 Years of Age and Older

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ARTICLE

ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION

A Prospective Study of Physical Activity and Cognitive Decline in Elderly Women

Women Who Walk

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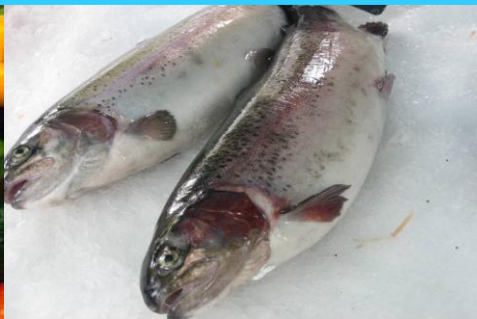
AIBL Lifestyle Programme

Led by Professor Ralph Martins



Aim: Identification of lifestyle and dietary modifications which prevent or delay onset of AD

Dietary data



Methods

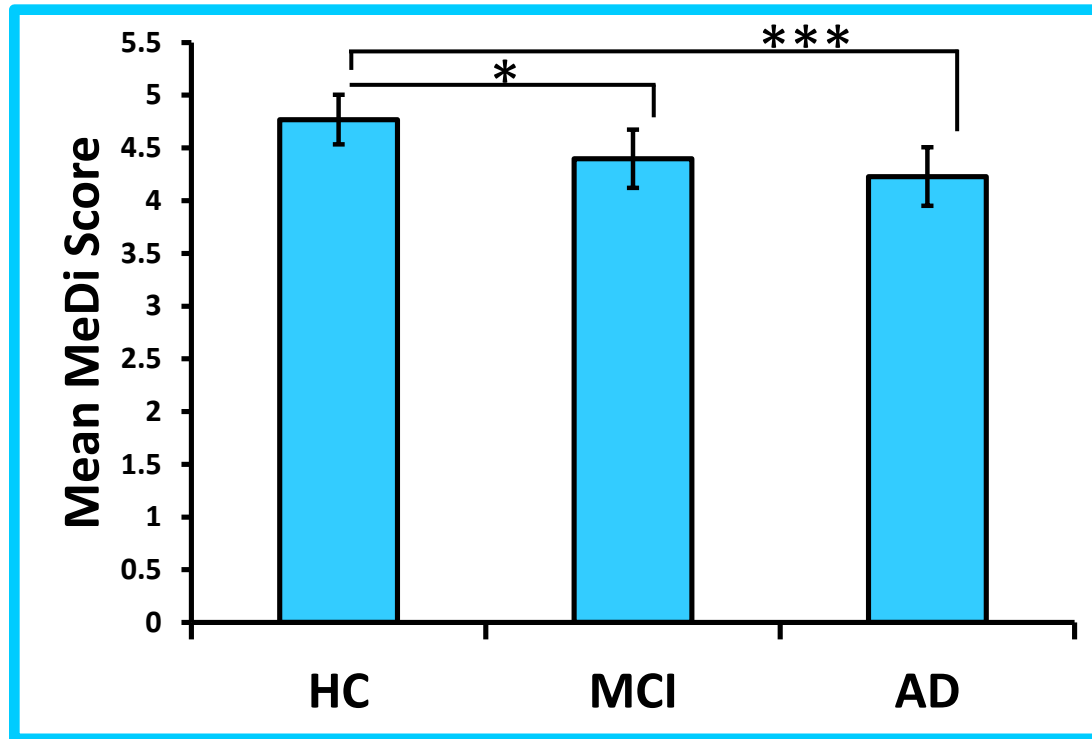
- CSIRO FFQ (online)
- Cancer Council of Victoria (CCV) FFQ
 - Previously validated in multiple epidemiological studies (*Keogh et al., 2010*)
 - Quantifies intake of 74 foods and beverages
 - Data can also be used to examine dietary patterns



Dietary Pattern Analysis

- **Mediterranean diet (MeDi)** - ‘a priori’ method
 - Includes high intake of fruit and vegetables, fish, legumes, cereals and unsaturated fatty acids
 - Low intake of dairy, meat and poultry and saturated fatty acids
 - Regular but moderate alcohol intake
- **Prudent diet** - ‘a posteriori’ (factor analysis)
 - Heavily loaded with vegetables, fruits and nuts
- **Western diet** - ‘a posteriori’ (factor analysis)
 - Heavily loaded with red and processed meats, high fat dairy products, chips, refined grains, potatoes, sweets and condiments.

Higher Adherence to MeDi in Healthy Controls compared to MCI and AD Groups



Mean \pm SEM. * $p < 0.05$; *** $p < 0.001$; multinomial logistic regression models. Controlling for age, gender, education, APOE genotype, country of birth, BMI, total caloric intake, smoking status, history of hypertension, angina, stroke, diabetes and heart attack.

From: Gardener, Rainey-Smith et al 2012, Translational Psychiatry.

Higher MeDi and prudent diet adherence is associated with improved cognitive performance at baseline

| Composite Cognitive Scores | MeDi Score | | Prudent score | |
|----------------------------|------------|----------|---------------|----------|
| | Unadjusted | Adjusted | Unadjusted | Adjusted |
| Cognitive Domain | | | | |
| Verbal Memory | 0.143** | 0.138* | 0.108 | 0.105 |
| Visual Memory | 0.077 | 0.081 | 0.117* | 0.119* |
| Executive Function | 0.135* | 0.127* | 0.051 | 0.047 |
| Language | 0.139* | 0.128* | 0.217** | 0.220** |
| Visuospatial Function | 0.131* | 0.135* | 0.138* | 0.138* |

Linear regression analysis; standardised β values shown. $p < 0.01$ = statistical significance. Fully adjusted model includes age, gender, YOE, APOE $\epsilon 4$ allele carriage, country of birth, BMI, energy intake, past/current smoking status, and history of hypertension, angina, stroke, heart attack and diabetes as covariates.

From: Gardener, Rainey-Smith et al 2013, Neurology (under review).

Higher western diet adherence at baseline is associated with greater cognitive decline at 36 months

- Global cognitive function (MMSE score)
- Visuospatial functioning and memory (RCFT, 3 min delay)
- Language, attention, fluent productivity and executive function (Fruit and furniture total and switching)

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Linear models show association between western dietary pattern and change in clinical classification

- Higher western diet adherence at baseline → ↑ number of transitions from HC to MCI or AD at 36 months ($p < 0.001$).
- When analysis was stratified by APOE $\epsilon 4$ allele carriage, association was seen only in non APOE $\epsilon 4$ allele carriers.

Physical activity data



Physical Activity and AD

- **Physical activity has previously been associated with:**
 - Reduced cognitive decline and AD risk
 - Enhanced cognitive functioning
- **Most mechanistic studies have been animal studies**
- **AIBL array of biomarkers and comprehensive neuropsychological battery**
 - Potential to investigate association of physical activity with a number of AD-related factors in one cohort.



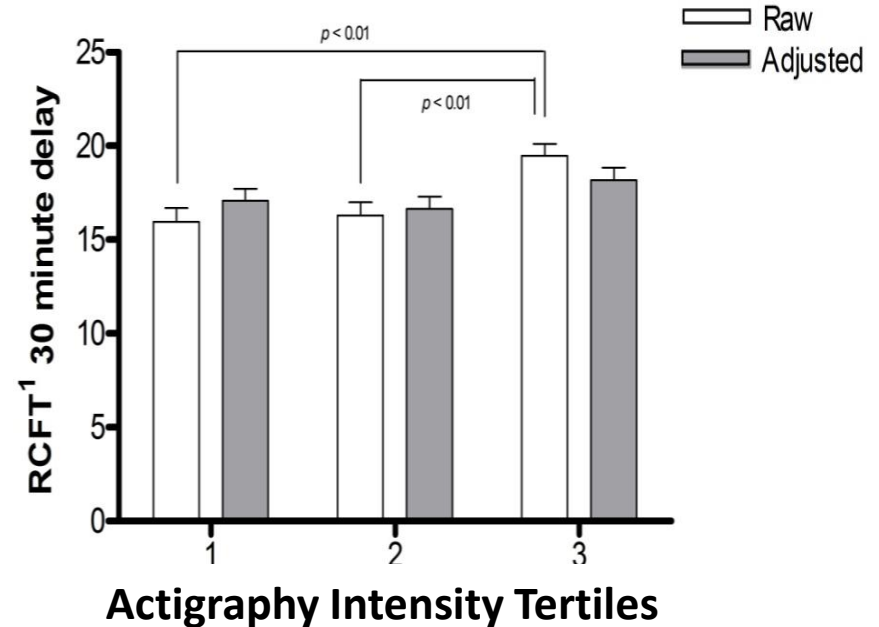
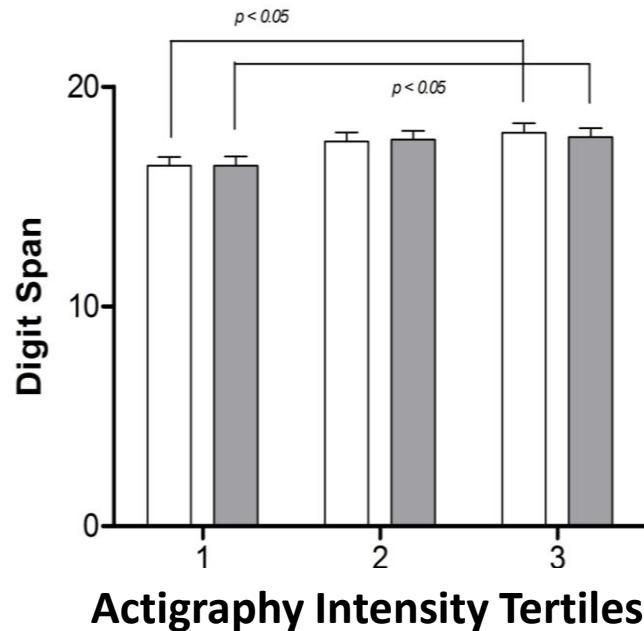
Methods

- **International physical activity questionnaire**
 - Answers used to calculate metabolic equivalent score (METs·min/wk⁻¹)
- **Actigraph**
 - Total counts (volume of activity)
 - Peak counts (intensity of activity)
- **To date all analyses have been on cognitively healthy controls only**



Cross-sectional analyses

Peak counts and cognitive function

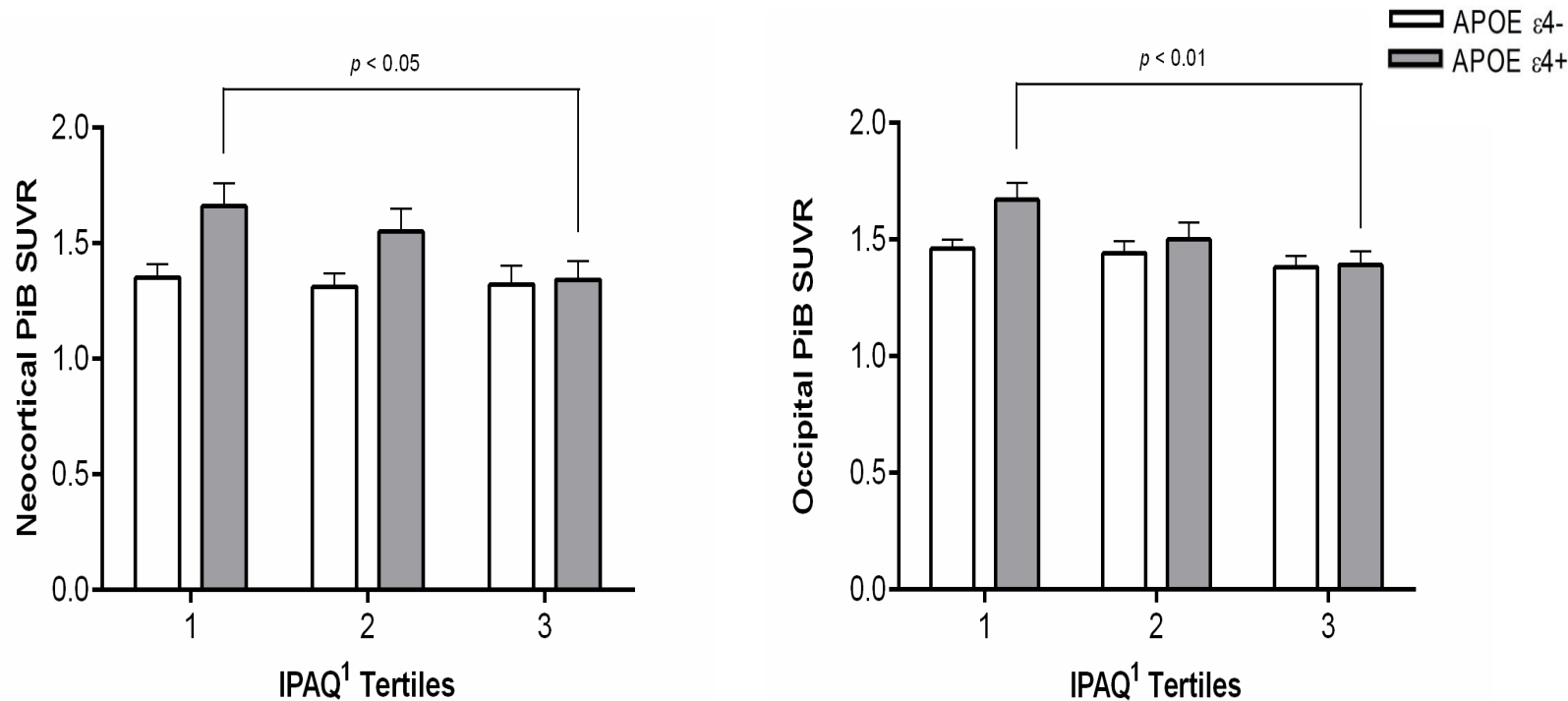


Raw and adjusted (for age, gender and YOE) of cognitive test score means (+ standard error) for each actigraphy intensity (peak count) tertile. ¹RCFT, Rey figure complex test.

Brown et al (2012), Translational Psychiatry, .

Cross-sectional analyses

Physical activity (IPAQ) and PiB SUVR

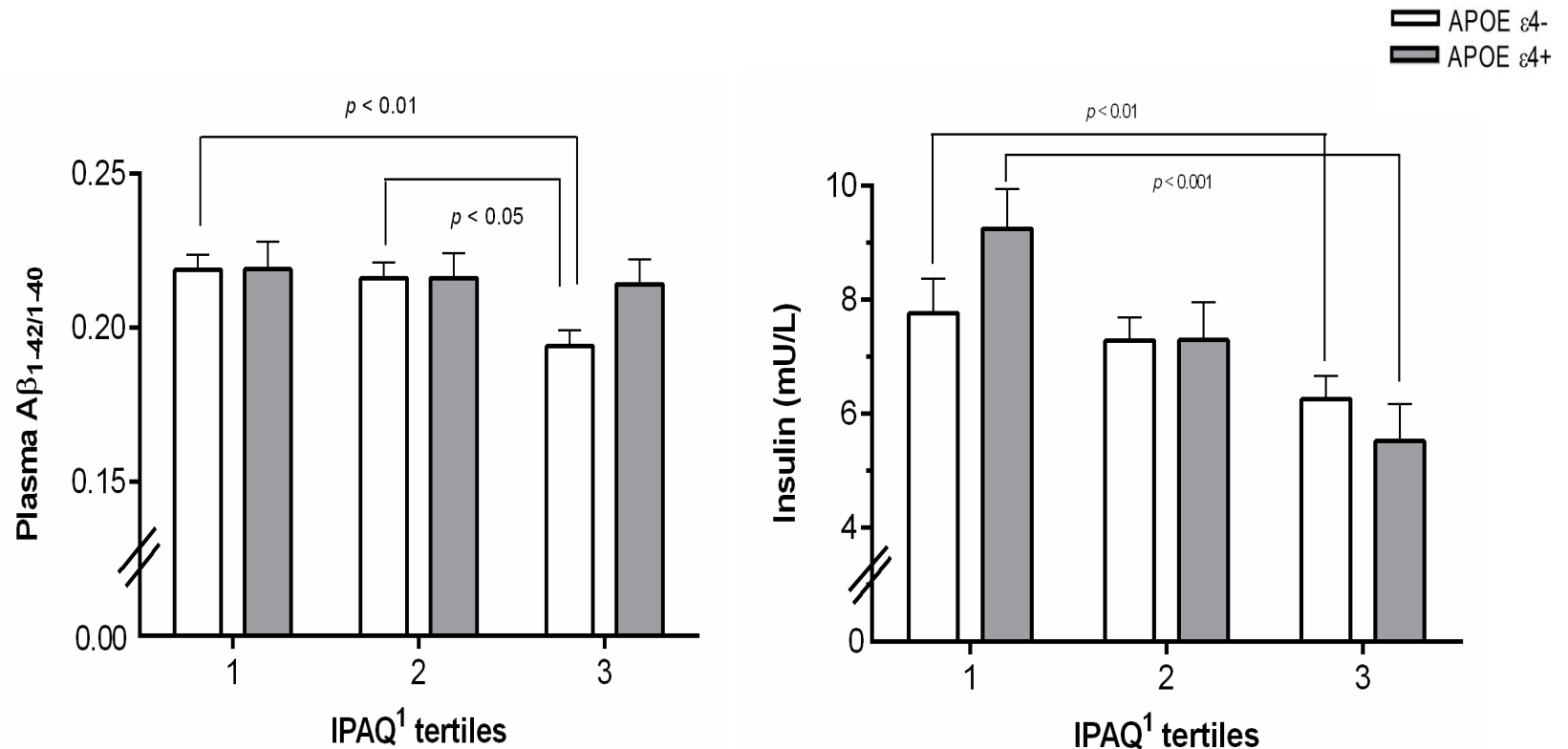


Adjusted means \pm standard error (corrected for age, gender and years of education) of PiB SUVR for each self-report IPAQ tertile; after stratification by APOE ϵ 4 allele carriage.

From: Brown et al 2012, Molecular Psychiatry.

Cross-sectional analyses

Physical activity (IPAQ) and blood biomarkers



Adjusted means \pm standard error (corrected for age and gender) of blood biomarkers across each self-report IPAQ tertile

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