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Don't Take My Breath Away: Nutrition and Lung Health

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Don't Take My Breath Away

The role of diet in the development and
progression of lung disease

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Dietary Intake is Associated with Lung Function in the Eclipse Cohort

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Background: Diet is a potentially modifiable risk factor in the development and progression of many diseases, including COPD.

Results: Associations between intake of food items and outcome variables are given in the following table. Color legend: Green=The association has a positive impact on lung health. Red=The association has a negative impact on lung health. No color=no significant association

Objective: The objective of this study is to evaluate the relationship between dietary intake and clinical characteristics of COPD in a large and well-characterized population of COPD patients and controls that were part of the Evaluation of COPD Longitudinally to Identify Predictive Surrogate Endpoints study (ECLIPSE).

Methods: Limited diet records were available for 2,167 subjects who provided dietary intake information at eight time points over a 3-year period.

- Subjects reported the amount they had consumed over the last 24 hours for four food categories which included grapefruit, fish, fish, bananas, and cheese.
- Intake of each food group was handled as a dichotomous variable (Yes/last 24 hours at any of the eight follow-up points versus No at all eight points). These two groups were then compared using clinical outcome measures at the last available follow-up
- Multivariate models for each food group and each outcome measure were run to adjust for confounding factors of age, sex, BMI, and smoking (SGRQ and 6-min walk were also adjusted for FEV1).

Outcome	Grapefruit		Fish		Bananas		Cheese	
	Coefficient	p-value	Coefficient	p-value	Coefficient	p-value	Coefficient	p-value
FEV1 Post-Dose	0.06	0.02	0.07	0.04	0.09	0.001	0.2	0.0001
FEV1 % Pred Post-Dose	2.1	0.17	1.3	0.23	2.9	0.006	4.7	0.002
FVC Post-Dose	0.14	0.005	0.09	0.007	0.08	0.02	0.20	<0.001
FEV ₁ Post-Dose (annual rate of change in mL)	6.64	0.01	-1.5	0.41	-2.5	0.17	-4.45	0.05
Emphysema: % voxels < -950HU	-0.63	0.45	-1.5	0.008	-0.98	0.09	-1.6	0.05
Emphysema: % voxels < -950HU (change over 3 years)	-0.68	0.03	-0.41	0.07	-0.60	0.007	-0.26	0.41
6-Minute Walk	15.1	0.09	25.2	<0.001	11.3	0.06	19.7	0.02
SGRQ score	-1.9	0.08	-1.9	0.02	-0.35	0.66	-0.92	0.42
Fibrinogen	0.74	0.90	-2.86	0.50	1.93	0.65	-3.97	0.52
Clara cell secretory protein	-0.36	0.19	-0.19	0.32	0.29	0.14	0.51	0.06
C-reactive protein	-1.9	0.05	0.08	0.90	-0.47	0.50	-1.15	0.24
Total neutrophils	0.10	0.37	-0.18	0.02	-0.13	0.10	0.006	0.98
Surfactant protein D	-1.98	0.66	-2.82	0.37	-1.68	0.59	-9.91	0.03
White Blood Cells	0.03	0.80	-0.21	0.01	-0.10	0.27	0.002	0.97

Conclusion: Subjects who demonstrated recent consumption of foods associated with a healthy diet, including fish, fruit, and dairy products, had improved markers of lung function, less emphysema, improved 6-minute walk and SGRQ scores, and a decrease in certain inflammatory markers. The role of diet as a possible modifiable risk factor in COPD continues to warrant investigation



Dietary Fiber Intake and Lung Function

Methods

We evaluated 1,929 adults in the NHANES cycle 2009-2010 who had spirometry measurements and information on daily fiber intake available.

The primary outcomes were lung function measurements (FEV₁, FVC, percent predicted FEV₁ and FVC)

We also conducted a categorical analysis of fiber intake and airflow restriction and obstruction based on GOLD and Spirometry Grade (SG) classifications

Multivariate regression models were used to look at the association of lung function measurements and COPD with dietary fiber intake



	Fiber Intake Quartile				P-value
	Mean (SE)				
Characteristic:	<10.75 grams/day (n=360)	10.75-<13.46 grams/day (n=461)	13.46-17.5 grams/day (n=529)	>17.5 grams/day (n=571)	
Continuous variables					
Mean (SD)					
Age, yr	52.9 (0.5)	53.1 (0.5)	52.8 (0.5)	52.5 (0.3)	0.76
FEV ₁ (L)	2.6 (0.04)	3.0 (0.04)	3.1 (0.05)	3.2 (0.05)	<0.0001
FEV ₁ , %pred	80.9 (0.8)	86.6 (0.8)	89.0 (1.0)	90.6 (0.5)	<0.0001
FVC (L)	3.3 (0.04)	3.9 (0.05)	4.1 (0.06)	4.3 (0.06)	<0.0001
FVC, %pred	82.3 (0.7)	87.2 (0.8)	90.0 (0.9)	92.7 (0.6)	<0.0001
FEV ₁ /FVC ratio	0.76 (0.005)	0.77 (0.005)	0.76 (0.003)	0.76 (0.003)	0.079
Socioeconomic Status (income:poverty status ratio)	2.96	3.55	3.56	3.68	0.007
C-Reactive protein (mg/dL)	0.47 (0.5)	0.41 (0.06)	0.31 (0.04)	0.31 (0.05)	0.01
Energy intake (kcal/day)	1868.4 (48.8)	2076.7 (46.6)	2224.9 (48.5)	2368.9 (42.3)	<0.0001
BMI	29.8 (0.5)	29.8 (0.4)	28.9 (0.3)	28.4 (0.04)	0.035
Discrete variables	N (%)				
Gender					
Male	79 (18.4)	215 (45.2)	300 (54.9)	376 (64.9)	<0.0001
Female	283 (81.6)	246 (54.8)	232 (45.1)	198 (35.1)	
Smoking					
Never	162 (45.6)	239 (55.7)	275 (52.8)	313 (57.0)	0.0031
Former	97 (27.6)	125 (29.7)	154 (30.7)	163 (28.5)	
Current	103 (26.8)	97 (14.6)	103 (16.5)	98 (14.5)	
Spirometry Grade Classifications:					
Normal airflow	183 (50.1)	269 (50.1)	354 (67.0)	390 (68.3)	<0.0001
Airflow restriction	122 (29.8)	125 (29.7)	85 (14.1)	95 (14.8)	
Airway obstruction	55 (20.1)	67 (16.9)	90 (18.9)	86 (17.0)	
GOLD:					
Normal	305 (80.0)	394 (85.9)	444 (81.1)	485 (83.1)	0.35
Airflow obstruction	55 (20.1)	67 (14.1)	85 (18.9)	86 (16.9)	



Subjects in the highest quartile intake of fiber had:



Mean FEV₁ and FVC measurements that were 82 mL and 129 mL higher than the lowest quartile of intake (p=0.04 and 0.01)

Mean percent predicted FEV₁ and FVC values that were 2.4 and 2.8 percentage points higher (p=0.07 and 0.02).

In the categorical analysis, higher fiber intake was associated with:

A higher percentage of those with normal lung function (p=0.001)

A significant decline in the proportion of participants with airflow restriction (p=0.001).



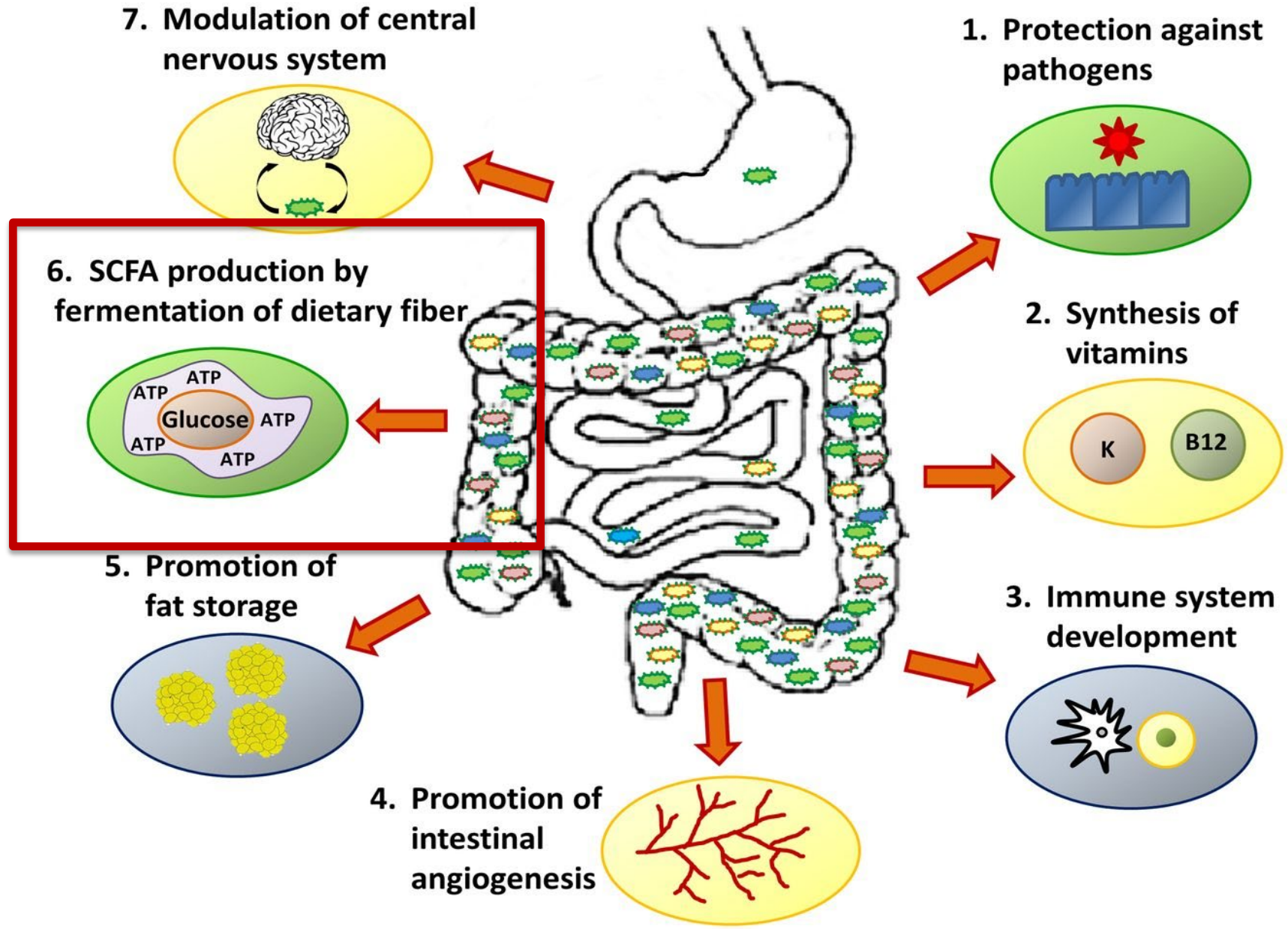
Table 3. Low fiber is associated with higher odds of respiratory morbidity (NHANES)

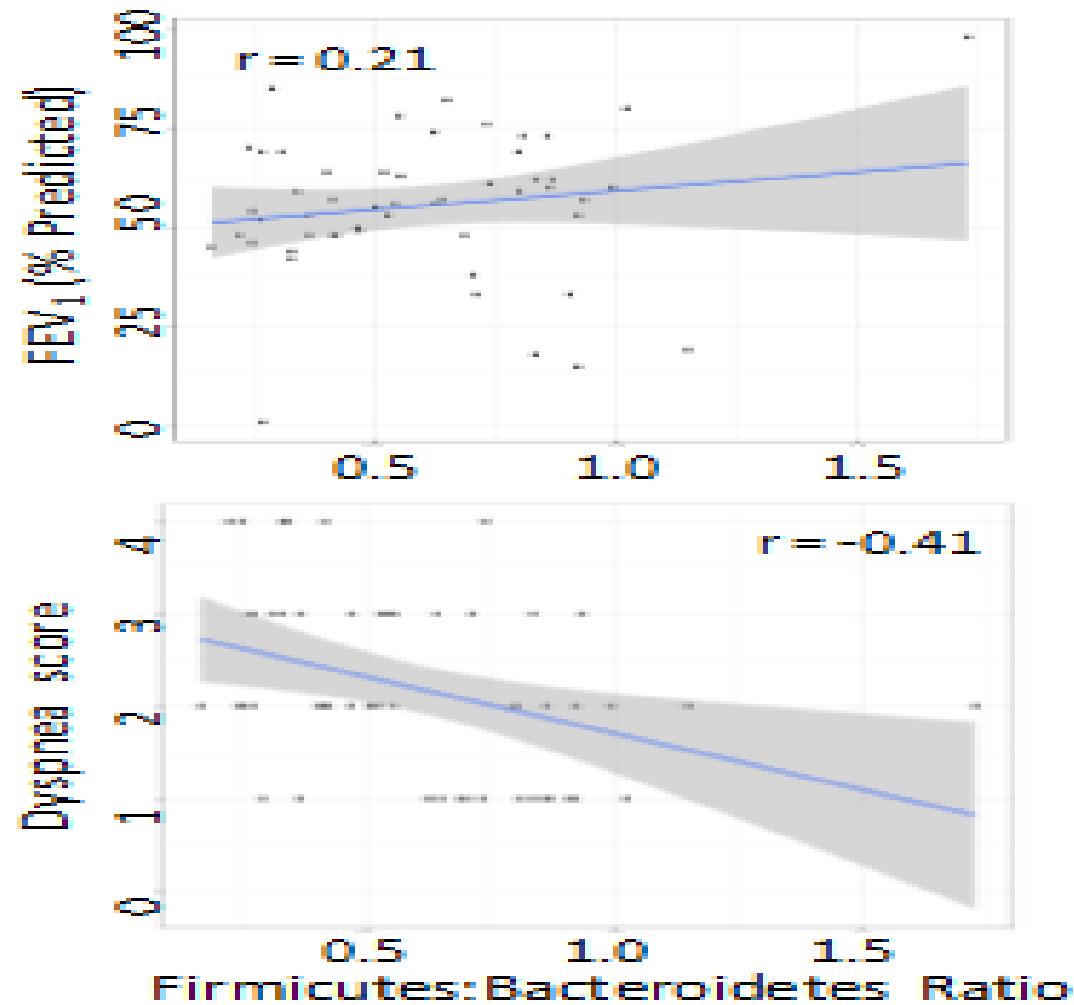
	Quartile Fiber Intake				Q1 vs. Q4 <i>p</i> -value
	Q1 (low) < 10.45 gm/day	Q2 10.5-15 gm/day	Q3 15.1-21.2 gm/day	Q4 (high) >21.2 gm/day	
Asthma, n = 13095	1.3 (1.0-1.8)	0.9 (0.7-1.2)	0.9 (0.7-1.1)	1	0.043
Wheeze, n = 13137	1.2 (1.0-1.5)	1.1 (0.9-1.4)	1.0 (0.9-1.2)	1	0.024
Cough, n = 8407	1.8 (1.3-2.5)	1.6 (1.2-2.1)	1.4 (1.0-1.8)	1	0.0005
Phlegm, n = 8410	1.6 (1.1-2.2)	1.4(1.0-1.9)	1.3 (0.9-1.9)	1	0.008

Odds ratios (95% confidence intervals), adjusted for covariates









Figures 3 & 4. Worse % predicted FEV₁ and dyspnea is associated with lower Firmicutes:Bacteroidetes ratio in CURE COPD (former smokers, cross sectional analysis at baseline, 3 months and 6 months, n = 18).



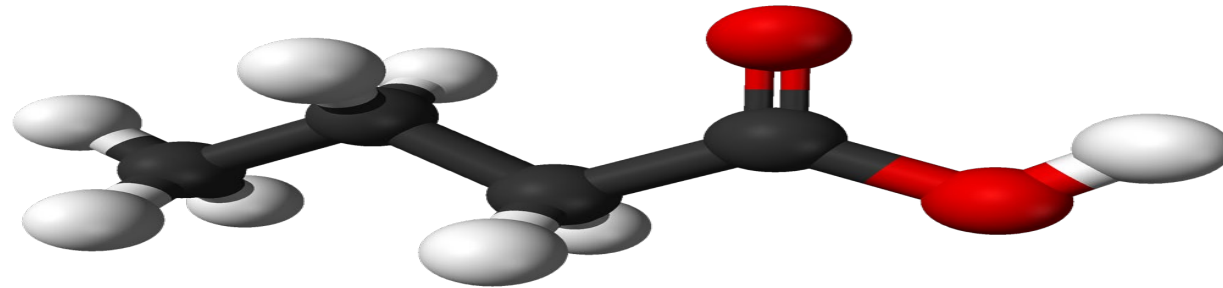
Saturated Fat

Among subjects with spirometry-defined COPD: Subjects in the lowest quartile intake of saturated fat intake had:

- Mean FEV₁ and FVC measurements that were 126 mL and 166 mL lower than the highest quartile of intake (p=0.04 and 0.01)
- Mean percent predicted FVC values that were 3.3 percentage points lower (p=0.03).



- We evaluated intakes of individual fatty acids to attempt to determine if specific fatty acids were driving the observed association between saturated fat intake and lung function parameters in individuals with COPD.
- The relationships appear to be driven by butanoic, hexanoic, decanoic, dodecanoic and tetradecanoic acid.
 - **Butanoic: C4**
 - **Hexanoic: C6**
 - Decanoic: C10
 - Dodecanoic (lauric): C12
- These would be classified as SCFA (C4) and medium chain fatty acids (C6-12)



Associations of Prenatal Dietary Inflammatory Potential with Wheeze Trajectory in Project Viva

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Our Goal:

- Determine the extent to which diets with a higher inflammatory potential during the first and second trimester of pregnancy (as measured by the DII) is independently associated with respiratory/allergy outcomes (asthma, wheeze, lung function) in the offspring in early and mid-childhood.



Overall DII score

- More negative scores represent anti-inflammatory diet potential while more positive scores represent pro-inflammatory diet
- Approximate range is -10 to 10
- The DII is not a dietary pattern in itself, but a way to assess the pro- or anti-inflammatory potential of any diet.
 - Thus, it differs from other dietary patterns studied in relation to respiratory outcomes.

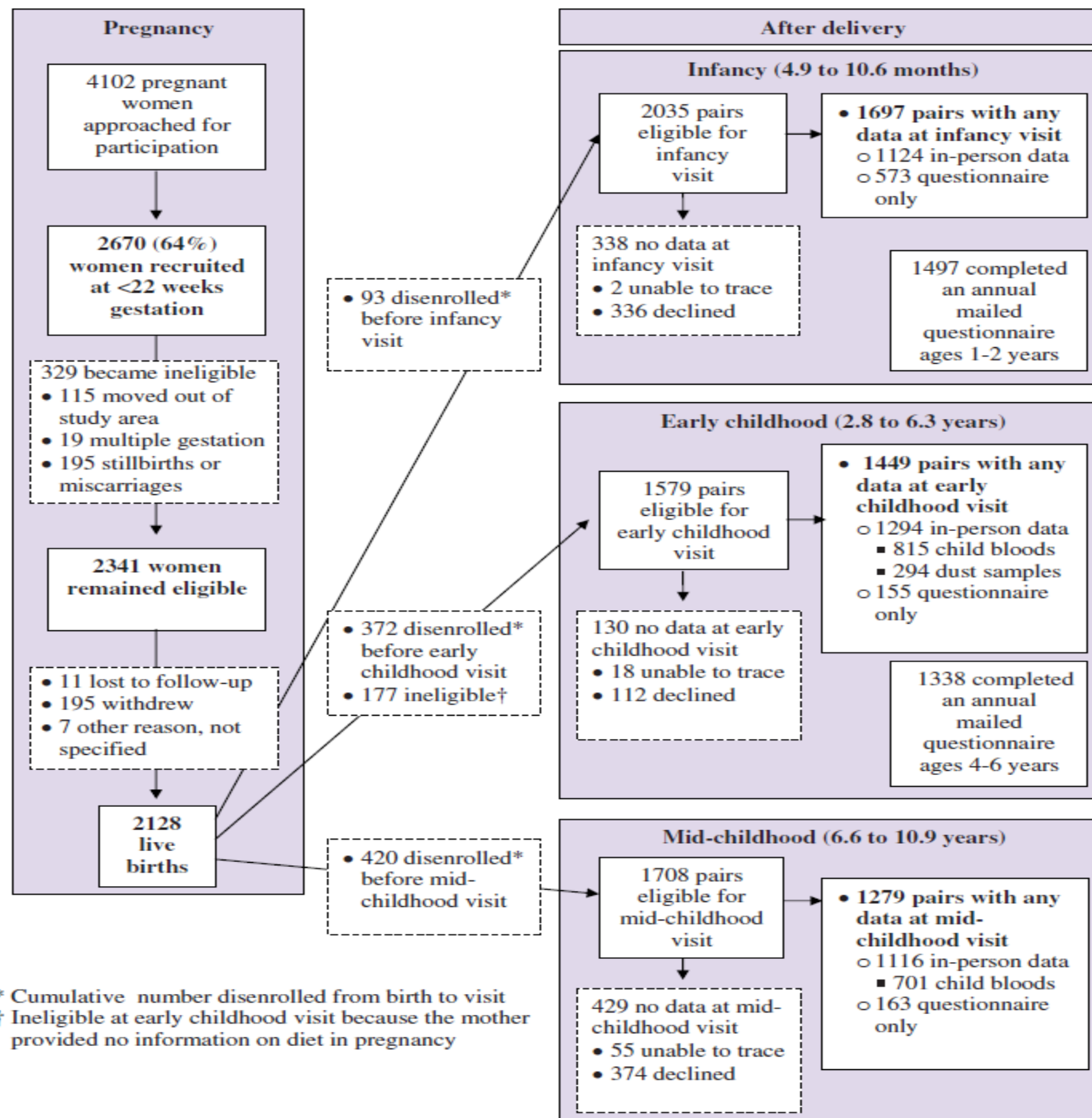




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Project Viva is a ground breaking longitudinal research study of women and children. The goal of Project Viva is to find ways to improve the health of mothers and their children by looking at the effects of mother's diet as well as other factors during pregnancy and after birth.





Methods

Project Viva mothers who completed 1st or 2nd trimester dietary questionnaires whose children have been seen at least once in follow-up.



Dietary inflammatory index during pregnancy, calculated from FFQs administered during the first and second trimester of pregnancy



Outcomes

Diagnosis of ever asthma (measured at early childhood and mid-childhood)

Wheezing (measured at early childhood and mid-childhood)

Wheeze Trajectory

Lung function (FEV_1 , FVC, FEV_1/FVC ratio, FEF_{25-75} , % predicted FEV_1 and FVC measured at mid-childhood)

- Confounders include maternal age, education, household income, race/ethnicity, parity, smoking history, pre-pregnancy BMI,
- Effect modifiers include sex of child, maternal BMI and maternal smoking status



Results

- For wheeze trajectory, in the unadjusted analysis, 1st trimester DII scores and average (1st and 2nd semester) DII scores were significantly associated with early wheeze when compared to never wheeze (OR=1.83; 95% CI: 1.10, 3.04; and OR=1.66; 95% CI: 1.04, 2.65 for 1st trimester and average DII scores, respectively).
- **This relationship remained significant after adjustment for confounders, with the odds of the *child having early wheeze compared to never wheeze for mothers in the first vs. fourth quartile (i.e., more pro-inflammatory) of DII increasing by 1.84 (95% CI: 1.08, 3.14).***
- A similar relationship was seen for average 1st and 2nd trimester DII scores for early wheeze vs. never wheeze (OR=1.87, 95% CI: 1.12, 3.11).



Results



After adjustment for confounders, those in quartile 4 had FEF_{25-75} values that were 136 ml lower when compared to those in quartile 1 (95% CI: -256, -15.8).



Similar results were seen for the average of the 1st and 2nd semester DII ($\beta = -133$, 95% CI: -251, -15.8 for the fourth DII quartile compared to the first)

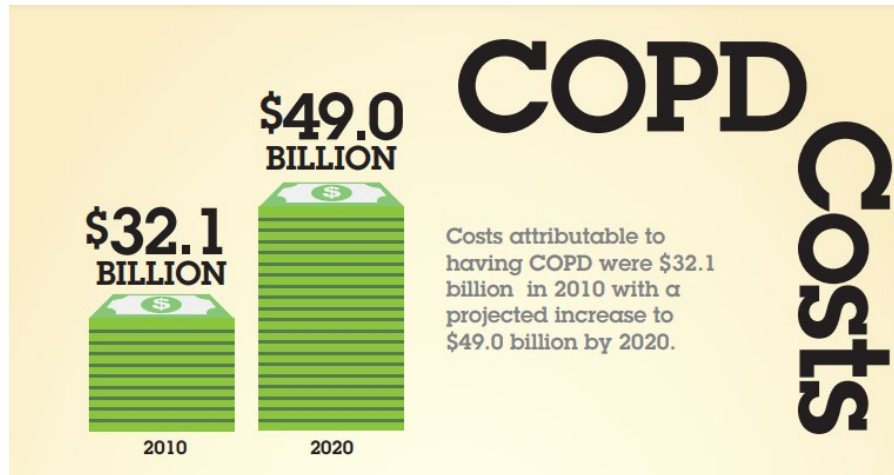
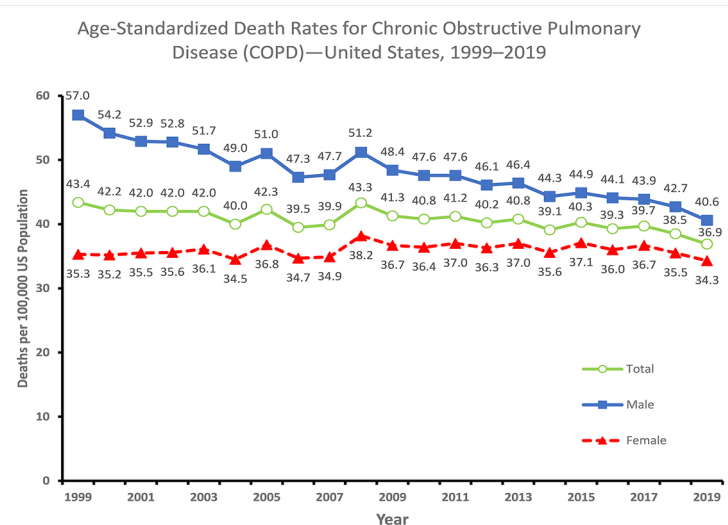


Association Between A Plant Centered Diet, Incident Emphysema, and Lung Function Trajectory Among Smokers: Findings from the CARDIA Lung Study

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COPD causes major morbidity and mortality

- 6.4% of US adults report a diagnosis of COPD
- Third overall disease related cause of death
- Among the chronic respiratory diseases, accounts for the majority of DALYs (Disability Adjusted Life Years)

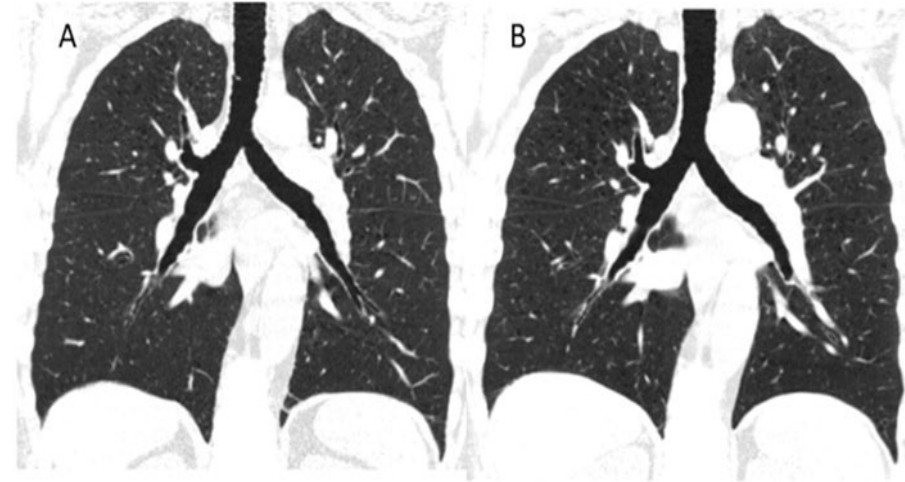


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Emphysema predicts disease progression

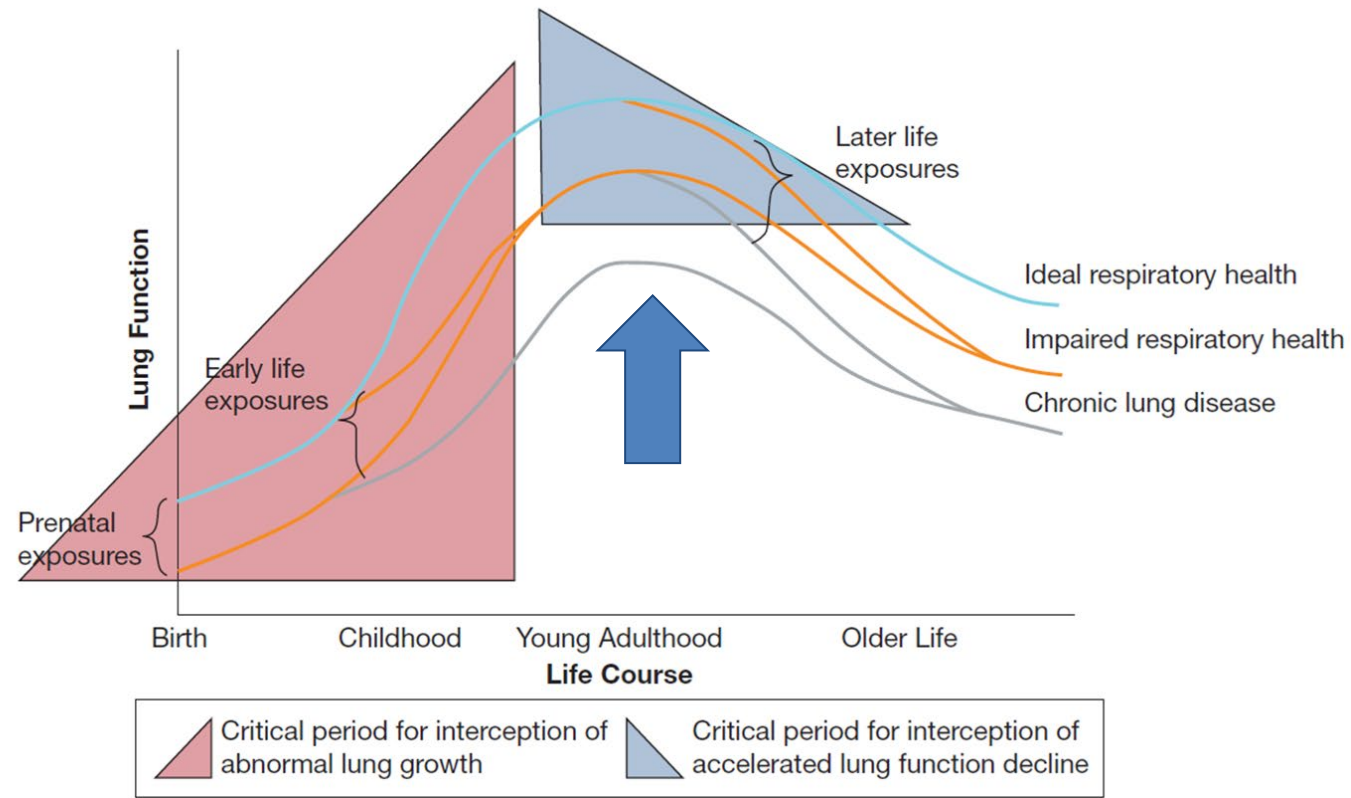
- Ever smokers, w/ emphysema & normal spirometry (GOLD 0)
- At baseline:
 - Lower baseline PFTs
 - Greater dyspnea
 - Worse QOL
- At 5 years:
 - Increased airflow obstruction
 - Greater progression of emphysema



In a GOLD stage 0 participant, A, baseline inspiratory CT showed trace emphysema and, B, 5-year follow-up CT showed moderate emphysema. FEV₁ decreased by 780 mL between visits.



Can earlier interventions alter lung function trajectory?



Liu et al.,
Chest 2021



Study Objectives

Among Young Adults who are Ever Smokers, we evaluated the association between a healthy plant-based diet and:

- a. development of radiographic emphysema
- b. longitudinal lung function decline
- c. spirometric obstruction



Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults (CARDIA)

- Enrolled 5115 young adult (18-30) black and white men and women
 - Followed prospectively for 30 years
 - Variables: dietary intake, repeat measures of spirometry, lung CT (many more)
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Exposure: Plant Based Diet

- Utilized the A Priori Diet Quality Score (APDQS) to determine adherence to a plant centered diet
 - higher score = better adherence



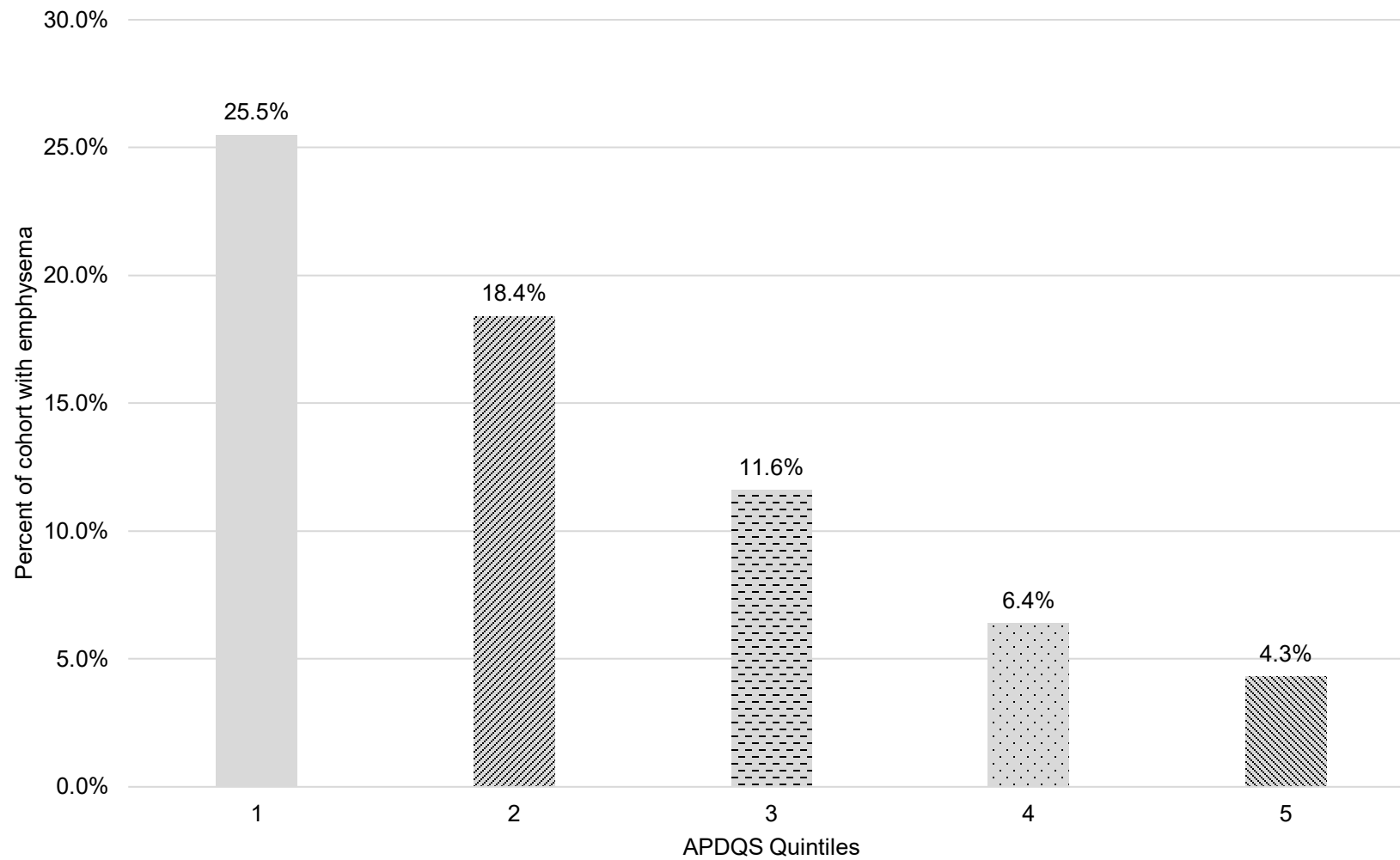
Choi, AHA. 2021

Multivariable-adjusted ORs (95% CIs) of incident emphysema (Year 25) according to quintiles of the APDQS among ever smokers, N=1351

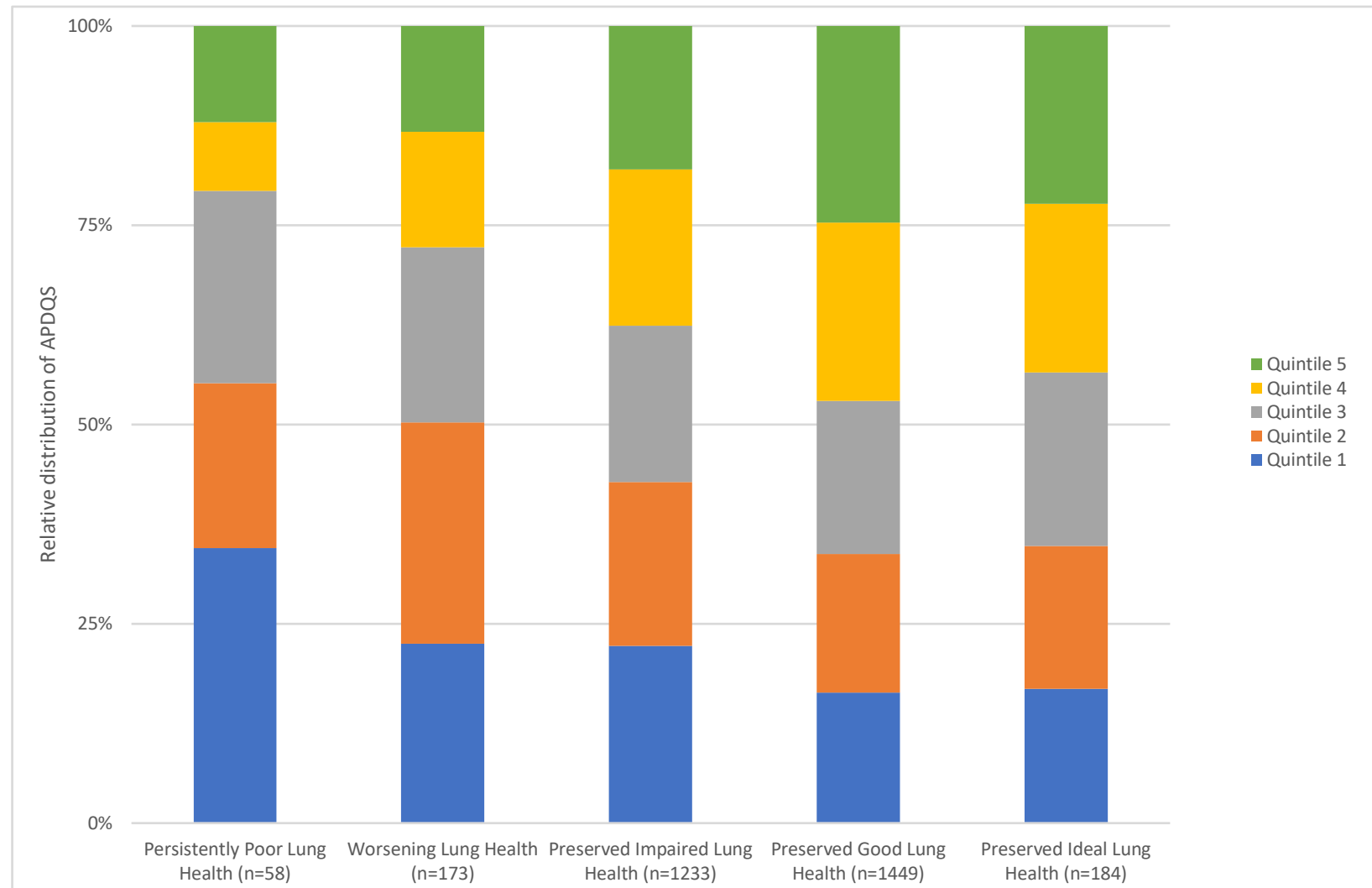
	APDQS					Per 1 SD higher APDQS	P for trend
	Quintile 1	Quintile 2	Quintile 3	Quintile 4	Quintile 5		
APDQS median	53.3	60.5	66.7	73.3	82.5		
Unadjusted cumulative incidence % (n/N)	25.5 (63/247)	18.4 (51/278)	11.6 (31/268)	6.4 (18/280)	4.3 (12/278)		
Unadjusted OR	1 (ref)	0.66 (0.43–1.00)	0.38 (0.24–0.61)	0.20 (0.12–0.35)	0.13 (0.07–0.25)	0.42 (0.34–0.52)	<0.001
MV model OR	1 (ref)	0.61 (0.37–1.01)	0.61 (0.34–1.09)	0.40 (0.20–0.80)	0.40 (0.18–0.91)	0.66 (0.49–0.90)	0.008



APDQS and lung disease



Relative distribution of APDQS quintiles among different lung function trajectories (FEV₁ % predicted). Only participants with year 30 data and at least one other timepoint (n=3097) were included to ensure that trajectories reflected lung function changes into middle age. Quintile 5 APDQS was more represented in participants with preserved ideal and preserved good lung health, whereas participants with persistently poor lung health were more likely to have scores in quintile 1. The median APDQS scores were 52, 59.7, 66, 72.5, and 82 for quintiles 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 respectively.





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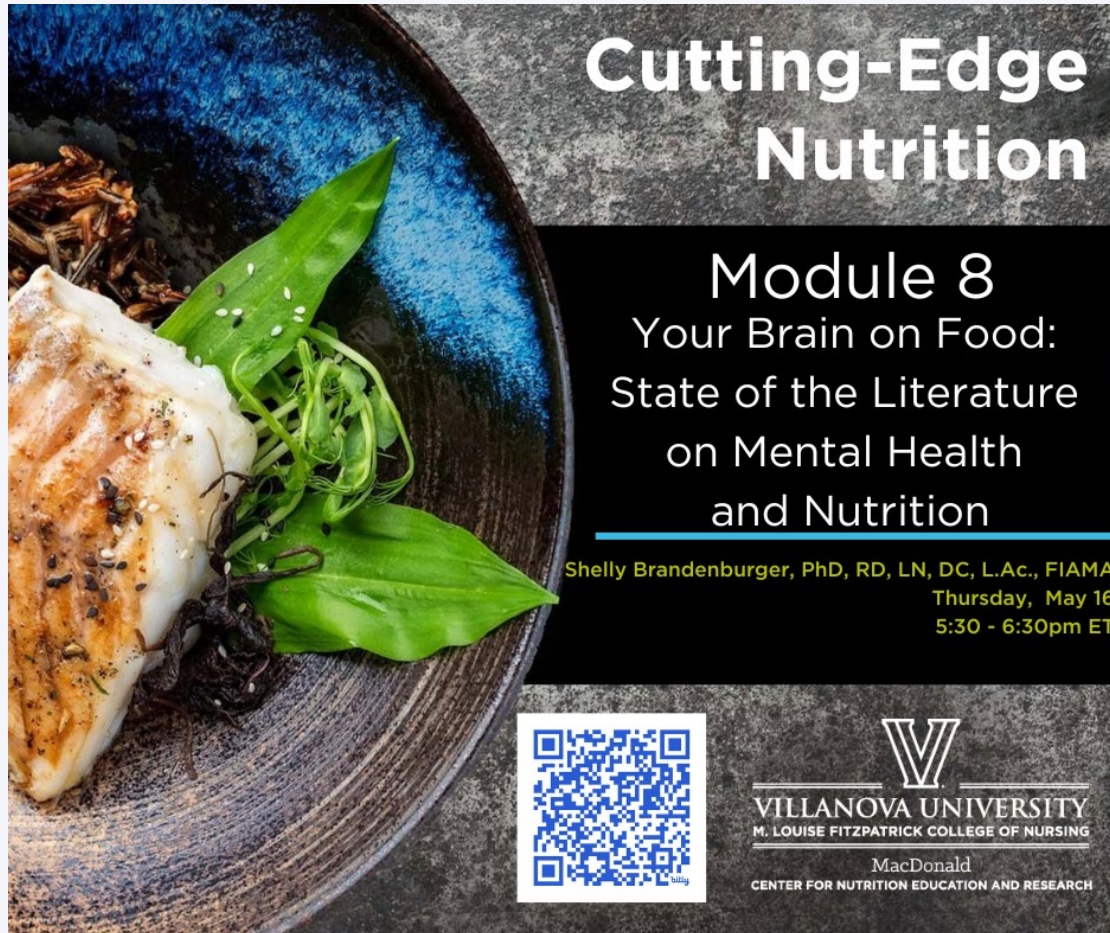


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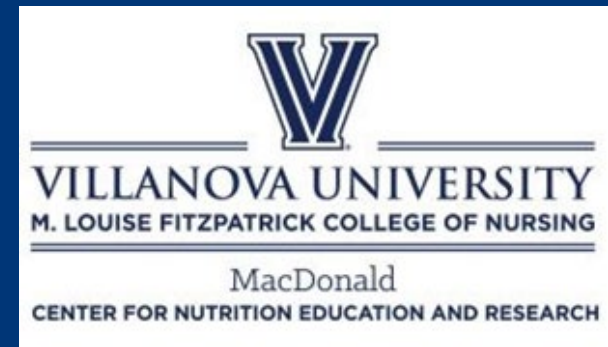
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