

IMPROVING REHABILITATION IN SARCOPENIA (IRIS STUDY)

A muscle-targeted nutritional intervention to optimise recovery

'Sarcopenia' is the progressive **loss of muscle mass, strength and physical performance**, and is associated with aging and can be accelerated by disease and/or malnutrition.¹

Nutritional interventions to manage sarcopenia are focused on the provision of high-quality proteins, sufficient calories and managing vitamin D deficiency.²

The IRIS study³ was undertaken in older patients with sarcopenia admitted to a rehabilitation facility. This study evaluated the efficacy of a muscle-targeted nutritional intervention combined with an individualized physical rehabilitation program on functional outcomes, independence and length of rehabilitation stay.

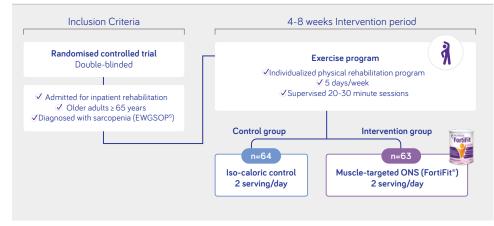
Prevalence of sarcopenia in older adults up to 76% in the rehabilitation

setting⁴



FortiFit

STUDY METHODOLOGY³



STUDY RESULTS³

SPEEDING UP THE ROAD TO RECOVERY

Statistically significant improvements demonstrated in intervention vs control group



FORTIFIT® as Muscle-Targeted ONS

FortiFit contains ActiSyn, a unique combination of specific nutrients designed to stimulate muscle protein synthesis

100% Whey protein (21g total protein)

A high-quality and "fast" protein: rich in essential amino acids (EAA), with high and rapid bioavailability of EAA^{6,7}

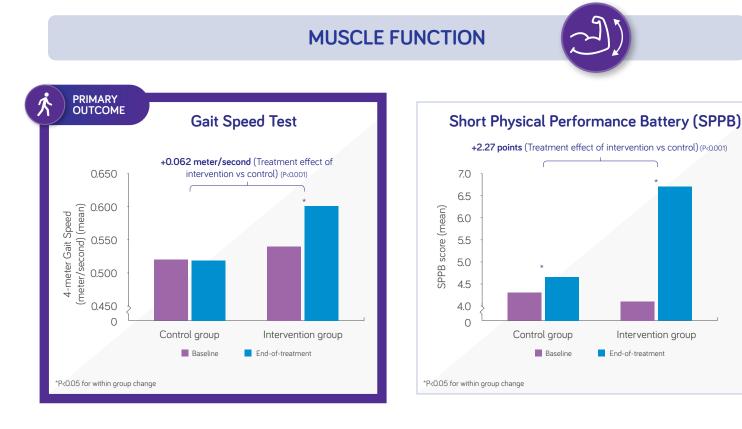
Leucine (3g)

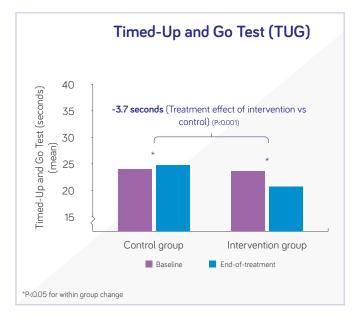
An essential amino acid that is a powerful activator of muscle protein synthesis^{8,9}

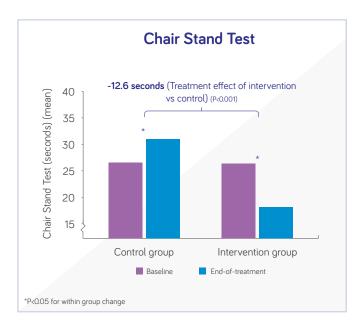
Vitamin D (20µg) Vitamin D sensitizes the muscle anabolic response to leucine¹⁰

FortiFit is a Food for Special Medical Purposes (FSMP) and must be used under medical supervision

Improvement in key outcomes (changes standardized per month)*:



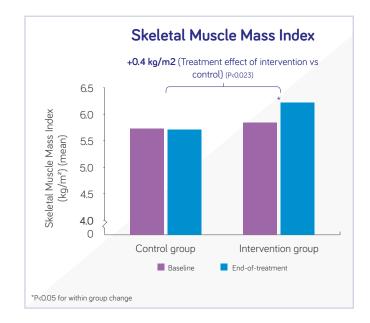




* Values represent between group difference in favor of the intervention group. Please refer to reference for full interpretation of results³

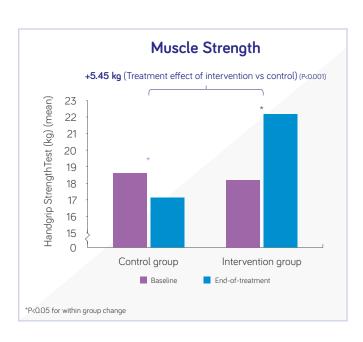
Improvement in key outcomes (changes standardized per month)*:

Appendicular Muscle Mass +1.0 kg (Treatment effect of intervention vs control) (P<0.001) 16.5 16.0 Appendicular Muscle Mass 15.5 15.0 (kg) (mean) 14.5 14.0 13.5 13.0 0 Control group Intervention group Baseline End-of-treatment *P<0.05 for within group change



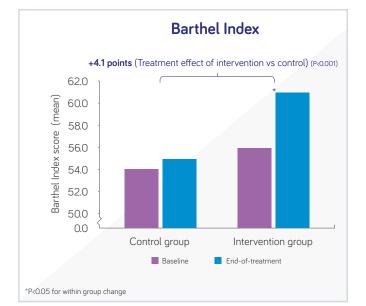
MUSCLE STRENGTH

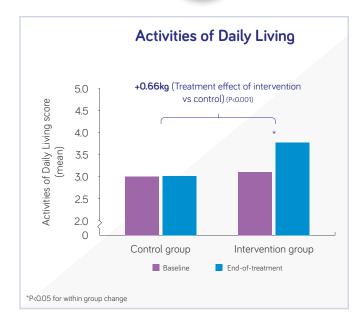
MUSCLE MASS



INDEPENDENCE







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CONCLUSIONS

) This trial demonstrates the efficacy of this multimodal intervention, consisting of muscletargeted ONS (FortiFit[®]) and individualized exercise program, on **optimizing recovery in patients with sarcopenia**

Incorporating strength and functional outcome measures into routine clinical practice can help to successfully track recovery and justify the value of muscle-targeted nutritional interventions

THE CLINICAL VALUE OF MUSCLE-TARGETED ORAL NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS CONTAINING ACTISYN™



Scan here to learn more on the robust evidence base behind this muscle-targeted nutritional intervention (FortiFit)

NARRATIVE REVIEW DESCRIBING WHY ACTISYN SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FIRST-LINE TREATMENT FOR SARCOPENIA



Scan here to to read publication 'Whey Protein, Leucine-and Vitamin-D-Enriched Oral Nutritional Supplementation for the Treatment of Sarcopenia' by Dr. Emanuele Cereda

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