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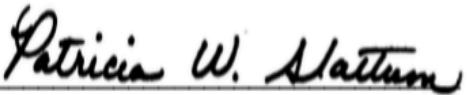
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## ABSTRACT

Cognitive frailty is considered a potentially reversible age-related condition characterized by the simultaneous presence of both physical frailty and cognitive decline. The concept of cognitive frailty existing in older adults is indisputable, although the mechanisms and the directional relationship behind the dynamic association remain unexplained. Mechanisms have been suggested, often linking cognitive frailty to cognitive impairment or as a component of frailty but without an understanding of the biological bases for these associations we cannot not move forward with intervention trials.

This dissertation examines the biological mechanisms for cognitive frailty. The study is the first to use a large number of protein and genetic markers identified by a systematic review to define the underlying pathology for cognitive frailty. We use an innovative Boosted trees machine learning technique for developing a population based predictive model. Xgboost is based in boosted trees and provides more efficient and accurate predictive modeling with large datasets and a rapid / robust framework for feature selection. Statistical modeling is used to design, test, and validate an accurate method for and identifying and classifying the features that predict individuals with cognitive frailty. The tree boosting model is used for the evaluation of multiple variables simultaneously and provides a high predictive value with low bias.

The results presented within this dissertation create a foundation of understanding for a new aging condition and encourage translational research focused on the detection and prevention of cognitive frailty.

## INTRODUCTION

“I forget what I was trying to say, one word or another gets in the way of the word I meant to use. Nothing stays. So I say something else, I compensate....are these the words I meant to say? But wait, are these the words I meant to say? These words migrate, they refuse to stay in place. This is my new life, my new way, I forget what I was trying to say.” Sherman Alexie.

Caregivers of patients with cognitive decline and patients themselves will suggest that their symptoms for memory loss and changes in physical function came long before they received a diagnosis by their provider. A report on the economic implications of cognitive decline estimates in 2015 there are 5.1 million individuals(1,2). With the aging “baby boomer” generation the trajectory that individuals will exhibit cognitive decline will be 13.5 million by the year 2050 in the United States(1,2). Efforts to unravel the mechanisms for cognitive decline have led to the recognition of a unique cluster of individuals who present with the simultaneous presences of both physical frailty and cognitive impairment without dementia(3). Both cognitive decline and physical frailty independently lead to increased disability, falls, mortality, an increase in health service need, and high direct/indirect costs to healthcare, often long-term care and hospitalization(4,5). Individuals with physical frailty and cognitive impairment may have a higher risk for disability than individuals with isolated physical frailty or cognitive impairment. Yet, historically, most research groups have excluded older adults with cognitive impairment from frailty studies(4). The International Consensus Group organized by the International Academy on Nutrition and Aging (I.A.N.A) and the

International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (I.A.G.G) convened in 2013 to identify related domains of physical frailty and cognition and termed the phenomenon “cognitive frailty”(3).

#### Establishing a model to detect cognitive frailty

The Institute of Medicine Report on Cognitive Aging described a need to develop an operational definition of cognitive frailty for use in research, clinical detection, and public health surveillance(6). A model for detecting cognitive frailty could provide practitioners with the tools needed for early detection and secondary prevention. Currently, the instrumental assessments for cognitive frailty are time-consuming, expensive, and require extensive training, and the clinical translation properties are not clear(3). The translation of the cognitive frailty construct into the clinical setting is limited by the lack of consensus on an operational definition and considerable heterogeneity and complexity in the diagnostic criteria. The primary purpose of this research was to create a population predictive model to gain a more in-depth understanding of the underlying biological mechanisms for cognitive frailty as currently defined by the International Consensus Group in 2013. This dissertation focuses on defining the shared mechanisms for physical frailty and cognitive impairment and establishing a model for determining the presence of risk factors that may predict cognitive frailty in the clinical setting. The model will advance the development of an operational definition by determining whether the potential risk factors at present may predict cognitive frailty in the clinical setting.

## Mechanisms behind cognitive frailty

The mechanisms and the directional relationship behind the dynamic association of physical frailty and cognitive impairment or cognitive frailty remain unexplained.

Pathological events leading to cognitive frailty years before the onset of cognitive decline may be marked by epigenetic modifications that influence memory-associated gene transcription. However, to date, no investigators have simultaneously characterized the trajectory of cognitive decline and physical function, underlying cellular events that include physiological factors, and epigenetic modifications. The results presented here will further explicate the shared mechanisms, including putative biomarkers for physical frailty and cognitive impairment to enhance our understanding of the shared neuropathology in a secondary data analysis. Such an understanding will lead to intervention studies focused on preventing disability and mortality, decreasing health service use, and improving health outcomes for older adults.

## OPERATIONAL DEFINITIONS

The extent to which we can predict cognitive frailty using biomarkers depends on the accuracy that our behavioral markers have on early identification. Screening for the detection of cognitive decline (i.e. neuropsychological) and frailty is determined by the identification tools for defining individuals with cognitive frailty. Individuals with cognitive frailty present with a unique neuropsychological profile, scoring worse on executive and attention tests with individuals having 3 or more of the frailty criteria being more impaired than individuals with only 1 of the frailty criteria(7). This dissertation focused on markers for early detection therefore, definitions used to

establish phenotype sub-groups in this study were structured to detect early cognitive decline including pre-frail individuals using neuropsychological testing focused on executive and attention memory domains. The definitions used are as follows:

#### Cognitive decline – mild neurocognitive disorders

Evidence of modest cognitive decline from a previous level of performance in one or more cognitive domains (complex attention, executive function, learning and memory, language, perceptual motor, or social cognition) with a modest impairment in cognitive performance by standardized neuropsychological testing or clinical assessment in absence of a diagnosis of dementia(8,9).

#### Frailty

The operational definition for frailty is defined as a clinical syndrome condition including 3 out of the 5 criteria related a physical phenotype including: 1) weak muscle strength (grip strength), 2) slow gait speed, 3) unintentional weight loss, 4) exhaustion and low physical activity(4). Pre-frailty includes 1 or 2 of the criteria is present, identifying a sub-group of individuals potentially progressing to frailty(4).

#### Cognitive frailty

The International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A. /I.A.G.G.) report is an acknowledgment of the need to focus research efforts on a clinical condition characterized by the co-occurrence of physical frailty and cognitive impairment, in absence of overt dementia diagnosis or underlying neurological conditions(3). The cognitive frailty construct is considered a heterogeneous clinical syndrome in older adults with evidence of: 1)



physical frailty and cognitive impairment (Clinical Dementia Rating score of 0.5); and 2) exclusion of a clinical diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease or other dementia(3).

Details on the cut-off scores used to define the phenotypes are explained in further detail in manuscripts 3 and 4.

## INNOVATION

An important innovation in this study was the use of machine learning (ML) statistical modeling to build a predictive model for cognitive frailty while further defining the unique features for cognitive decline and frailty. We use Boosted trees, a machine learning technique for supervised learning, these are ensembles of regression trees, similar to decision trees and are used for prediction or classification. Xgboost is based in boosted trees and provides more efficient and accurate predictive modeling with large datasets and a rapid / robust framework for feature selection. Statistical modeling is used to design, test, and validate an accurate method for classifying patients into phenotypic outcomes. The tree boosting model for the evaluation of multiple variables simultaneously provides a high predictive value with low bias. The second innovation in this study is the defining of putative biomarkers related to cognitive frailty leading to a better understanding of the interrelated neuropathology between physical frailty and cognitive impairment. The study is the first to use a large number of protein and genetic markers (n=289) identified by a systematic review to define the underlying pathology for cognitive frailty.

## Impact of Proposed Research

Developing and validating a model for the detection and classification of cognitive frailty will improve the ability to detect patients with a potentially reversible cognitive and physical decline. Identification of biomarkers and an understanding of the physiological and genetic factors for cognitive frailty will help distinguish between changes related to normal aging, irreversible pathological process, and specific neurological diseases that may be reversible(6). The findings will encourage new research and may lead to effective interventions for the prevention and treatment of cognitive and physical decline in an aging population.

## THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

This dissertation used Complex Systems Theory as a primary theoretical framework. Complex Systems Theory (CTS) is an approach to science that involves multiple factors that interact nonlinearly to form a dynamic set of relationships leading to physiological change(10). Based in the tradition of ontology, CTS can identify the grouping together of the mechanistic elements of biology and the heuristic elements of philosophy to model the linkages that create a complex concept such as cognitive frailty. Biological mechanisms, proteins or gene expression and their patterns of interaction are inherently complex systems about which numerous empirical data exist (in this case within population databases) that are “dynamic and transformational” vs. inductive assumptions (11,12). Computational methods developed in bioinformatics are uniquely designed to analyze and interpret large amounts of biological data. This dissertation

created a theoretical framework based on the modeling of complex systems using bioinformatics (figure 1).

#### SPECIFIC AIMS

This dissertation consists of four manuscripts; 1) an integrative review assessing the measurement properties for cognitive frailty, 2) a systematic review exploring the biological factors for cognitive frailty, 3) a population based modeling study establishing biological plausibility for cognitive frailty, and 4) additional analysis of a unique feature from the modeling study and potential epigenetic factor for cognitive frailty; anticholinergic burden's association with cognitive decline, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty.

*Aim 1. To determine associations between putative biomarkers and cognitive frailty as currently defined by the International Consensus Group in 2013 using a focused secondary analysis of the InCHIANTI study dataset.*

1a. Establish a predictive model using statistical methodologies using an integrative approach to precisely define and predict cognitive frailty based on overlapping risk factors for frailty and cognitive decline.

1b. Establish a relationship among measurable physiological, clinical factors, and the development of cognitive frailty.

1c. Establish associations between physical frailty and cognitive parameters (i.e., losses in specific types of memory and mental acuity).

Manuscript 1 includes a comprehensive review of the measurement tools for defining the phenotype cognitive frailty. Manuscript 2 includes a large systematic review

of the potential putative clinical, protein, and genetic biomarkers for cognitive frailty. The markers identified in this comprehensive review were used as predictors in the population modeling study. Manuscripts 3, is the population based predictive model analysis. Findings from the model study resulted in anticholinergic burden as a unique predictor of cognitive decline, frailty, and cognitive frailty. Considering anticholinergic medication burden could be a potentially reversible cause for cognitive frailty additional analyses was completed which resulted in manuscript 4.

*Aim 2. To determine associations between genetic biomarkers; single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) to explain the phenotypic variance for cognitive frailty using a focused secondary analysis of the InCHIANTI study dataset.*

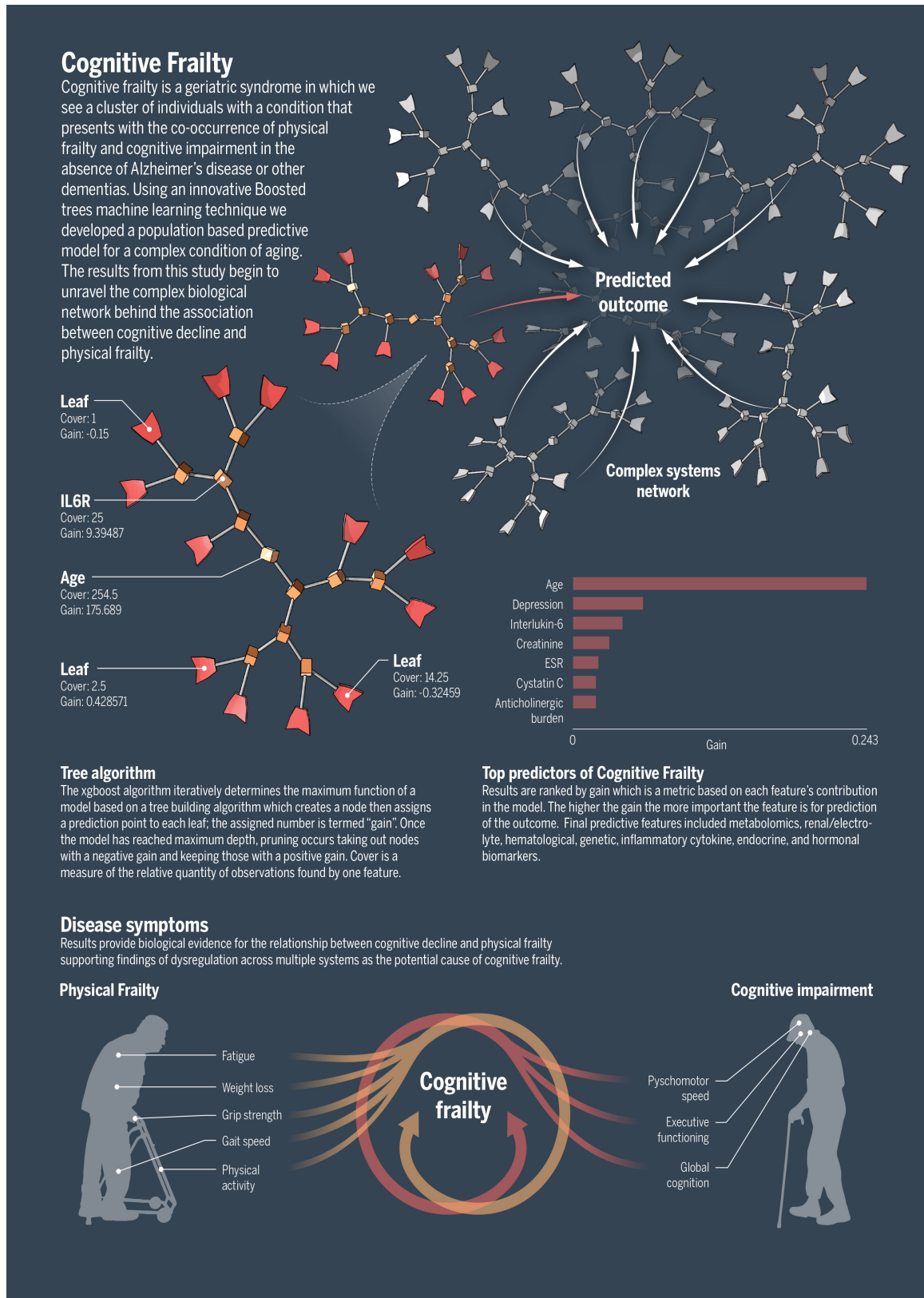
Manuscript 3 includes analyses of genetic biomarkers (SNPs) and highlights the variance seen for individuals with cognitive frailty compared to unique genetic predictors of cognitive decline and frailty alone.

*Training Aim3. Acquire the necessary training, expertise, and knowledge to accomplish aims 1 and 2. Goal 1: Apply advanced statistical methods; Goal 2: Develop neuropsychiatric assessment skills.*

Due to the innovative statistical modeling and bioinformatics utilized in this dissertation, additional training was needed beyond the standard Doctoral in Philosophy in Nursing Science curriculum to build knowledge and achieve stated aims. I completed the bioinformatics 101 seminar series which included training on: high-throughput technology, high-throughput sequencing data types and public data repositories, DNA and RNA-seq applications and analyses, CHIP-seq applications and analyses, and

pathway and functional enrichment analysis methods. The bioinformatics certificate is included in the supplemental documents. Additionally, I attended conference training on Health Measures, which included training on the NIH neurophysiological, and physical measures toolbox and Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information Systems (PROMIS) measures.

Figure1. Complex systems theory for Cognitive Frailty



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## ASSESSING THE CURRENT STATE OF COGNITIVE FRAILITY: MEASUREMENT PROPERTIES

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**Abstract:** *Background:* Currently, an estimated 25-30% of people ages 85 or older have dementia, with a projected 115 million people worldwide living with dementia by 2050. With this worldwide phenomenon fast approaching, early detection of at-risk older adults and development of interventions focused on preventing loss in quality of life are increasingly important. A new construct defined by the International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A./I.A.G.G) as «cognitive frailty» combines domains of physical frailty with cognitive impairment and provides a framework for research that may provide a means to identify individuals with cognitive impairment caused by nonneurodegenerative conditions. Using the integrative review method of Whittemore and Knafl, 2005 this study examines and appraises the optimal measures for detecting cognitive frailty in clinical populations of older adults. *Methods:* The integrative review was conducted using PubMed, CINAHL, Web of Science, PsycInfo, and ProQuest Dissertations & Theses. From the total 185 articles retrieved, review of titles and key words were conducted. Following the initial review, 168 articles did not meet the inclusion criteria for association of frailty and cognition. Of the 18 fulltext articles reviewed, 11 articles met the inclusion criteria; these articles were reviewed in-depth to determine validity and reliability of the cognitive frailty measures. *Results:* Predictive validity was established by the studies reviewed in four main areas: frailty and type of dementia MCI (OR 7.4, 95% CI 4.2-13.2), vascular dementia (OR 6.7, 95% CI 1.6-27.4) and Alzheimer's dementia (OR 3.2, 95% CI 1.7-6.2), frailty and vascular dementia (VaAD) is further supported by the rate of change in frailty x macroinfarcts ( $r = 0.032, p < 0.001$ ); frailty and the individual domains of cognitive function established with the relationship of neurocognitive speed and change in cognition using regression coefficients; individual components of frailty and individual domains of cognitive function associations included slow gait and executive function ( $\beta -0.20, p < 0.008$ ), attention ( $\beta -0.25 p < 0.008$ ), processing speed ( $\beta -0.16, p < 0.008$ ), word recall ( $\beta -0.18, p = 0.02$ ), and logical memory ( $\beta = 0.04, p = 0.04$ ). Weak grip was predictive for changes in executive function ( $\beta -0.16, p = 0.008$ ). Physical activity was associated with changes in executive function ( $\beta = -0.18, p = 0.02$ ) and word recall ( $\beta = 0.17, p = 0.02$ ), individual components of frailty and global cognitive function were found in several studies which included grip strength ( $r = -0.51, p < 0.001$ ), gait speed ( $r = -0.067, p < 0.001$ ), and exhaustion ( $\beta -0.18, p < 0.008$ ). *Conclusions:* This paper presents the first-known review of the measurement properties for the cognitive frailty construct since the published results from the International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A./I.A.G.G). Evidence presented in this review continues to support the link between physical frailty and cognition with developing validity to support distinct relationships between components of physical frailty and cognitive decline. Results call attention to inconsistencies in reporting of reliability, validity, and heterogeneity in the measurements and operational definition for cognitive frailty. Further research is needed to establish an operational definition and develop psychometrically appropriate clinical measures to construct an understanding of the relationship between physical frailty and cognitive decline.

**Key words:** Cognitive decline, physical frailty, measurements, cognitive frailty

### Introduction

With the number of individuals ages 80 and older on the rise, the burden of dementia is expected to be one of the most daunting and costly consequences of longer life expectancies. Early detection of at-risk older adults and the development of interventions focused on preventing loss in quality of life are increasingly more important. Diagnosing dementia, especially in the early stages of the disease is difficult; many cases go undiagnosed even in the intermediate or more advanced stages (1). This is partly because dementia is a complex condition that cannot be attributed to a single functional or cognitive domain and the need to better understand the underlying neuropathology contributing to non-aging related cognitive

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impairment (2-4).

The relationship between physical frailty and cognitive impairment has become increasingly more apparent with recent studies suggesting that the two are interrelated. Efforts focused on understanding the relationship may provide a means to identify individuals with cognitive impairment caused by non-neurodegenerative conditions which might be reversible (2, 3). Although, frailty and cognitive impairment have been shown to be related, both constructs have long been studied separately (3). To address this gap, the International Consensus Group organized by the International Academy on Nutrition and Aging (I.A.N.A) and the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (I.A.G.G) convened on April 16th, 2013 in an effort to identify domains of physical frailty and

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cognition. Additionally, the consensus group recommended formal assessments based on studies that supported findings of an association between progressive physical frailty and cognitive impairment in older adults. The new construct called cognitive frailty (3), extends the physical frailty construct with a formal cognitive assessment and a comprehensive assessment of depressive symptoms.

The construct cognitive frailty, will provide new opportunities for research, assist in further defining cognitive impairment related to physical causes, and promote interventions that lead to improved quality of life in older adults. Multiple studies have been conducted to develop clinical screening tools for the detection of cognitive and functional decline independently, with many clinical screening instruments available to clinicians. However, the optimal measures or combination of measures to accurately detect cognitive frailty in the clinical setting is unclear (3). As researchers attempt to deconstruct the relationship between physical frailty and cognitive impairment, the emphasis must be placed on evaluating the strength of the psychometric tests used to evaluate the new construct. The purpose of this integrative review was to examine the literature to determine progress in the establishment of validity and reliability for the measurement of cognitive frailty.

### Operational and Theoretical Definitions

Establishing a comprehensive understanding of the new construct cognitive frailty requires a critical review of what is known about the consensus on operational definitions and tools used to study frailty and cognitive impairment individually.

#### Frailty

The first definition of frailty was proposed in 1988 (6), but since that time the international community has come to no consensus on a definition of the term or an assessment tool to measure the condition (7). The International (I.A.N.A.) Task Force on Frailty identified 17 cohort-based definitions, all using different frailty assessment tools. More recently, Rodríguez-Mañas et al, 2013 attempted to achieve consensus for an operational definition using a Delphi process, which resulted in consensus on the value of screening for physical frailty in the following six domains: physical performance, including gait speed and mobility, nutritional status, mental health, and cognition. Because there is still a need to identify a specific combination of clinical and laboratory biomarkers for a diagnosis, an operational definition was not recommended (8). Even though consensus has not been reached regarding an operational definition of frailty, the theoretical definition, which is generally agreed upon, describes frailty as a multidimensional geriatric syndrome with increased vulnerability to stressors as a result of reduced capacity of different physiological systems with adverse health outcomes that include falls, disability, hospitalizations, and mortality (7, 9, 10).

The criteria used to identify frailty often depend on the operational definition. The commonly-known criterion is the "phenotypic" definition developed by the work completed in the Cardiovascular Health Study (CHS) (5, 11). The CHS phenotype includes decline in lean body mass, strength, endurance, balance, walking performance, and low activity (5). It allows for a continuous scoring system versus a nominal system because it can capture the multidimensional nature of frailty. The components have concurrent and predictive validity with hazard ratios (HR) ranging from 1.82-4.46 ( $p < 0.05$ ) for outcomes that include incident disease, hospitalization, falls, disability and mortality in community-dwelling older adults (5). Additionally, the CHS model has positive predictive validity (PPV) in detection of physical limitations. The Edmonton Frail Scale (EFS) includes evaluation of the social support domain and has been validated with non-specialists with no formal training in geriatric care (12). Construct validity for the EFS for detection of physical performance was statistically significant ( $r = -0.58$ ,  $p = 0.006$ ,  $n=21$ ) along with inter-rater reliability ( $k = 0.77$ ,  $p = 0.0001$ ) and internal consistency (Cronbach  $\alpha = 0.62$ ) (12). However, the use of the EFS for the detection of cognitive impairment ( $r = -0.005$ ,  $p = 0.801$ ,  $n=30$ ) was not statistically significant (12).

Other validated frailty instruments with unique operational definitions have been described in the literature: the Frailty Index (FI), Clinical Frailty Scale, Study of Osteoporotic Fractures (SOF), SPPB (gait speed, repeated chair stands, and tandem balance tests) validated in the Established Population for Epidemiologic Studies of the Elderly (EPESSE), and Tilburg Frailty Indicator (TFI) which includes three frailty domains (physical, psychological and social) (13-16). Several frailty assessment tools are time consuming, not practical except for research purposes, and have slightly different measurement properties. The literature reflects the lack of consensus and ongoing debate about how to operationalize a definition for frailty (17).

#### Cognitive Impairment

The theoretical and operational definition for the progressive loss of memory unrelated to the normal aging process has been controversial. Mild cognitive impairment (MCI) was first proposed by Petersen et al, 1999 then revised with the International Working Group on Mild Cognitive Impairment (19). MCI is the most commonly used term to describe a progressive measurable change in memory that differs from healthy aging adults. The recommended criteria for MCI is self and/or informant report of memory impairment and/or evidence of decline over time on objective tasks with preserved activities of daily living, and minimal impairment in complex instrumental functions with no diagnosis of dementia (19). Resulting from the research on MCI the Diagnostic Statistical Manual-5 (DSM-5) included a category of neurocognitive disorder and distinguishes between mild (mNCD) and major (mNCD) neurocognitive disorders to describe the heterogeneity

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these articles were reviewed in-depth to determine validity and reliability of the cognitive frailty measures.

Data extraction, was used to identify the psychometric properties based on the measurements provided in the article or if the criteria could be found in the original longitudinal study as referenced by the author. The level of evidence was appraised for each study using the Center for Evidence Based Medicine Levels of Evidence (23). Studies were evaluated with a systematic approach and rated based on their strength of evidence. The operational definitions for both frailty and cognition were reported separately to highlight the combination of tools being used to study the relationship between physical frailty and cognition and report on measurement properties and significant findings. A framework, presented in Table 1, was developed to report the operational definition criteria being used for cognitive frailty based on impairment in the physiological domains defined by The Interventions on Frailty Working Group: mobility, balance, muscle strength, motor processing, nutrition (often operationalized as nutritional status or weight change/sarcopenia), cognition, endurance (including feelings of fatigue and exhaustion), and physical activity (24). Cognition was further defined in the framework based on the use of neuropsychiatric testing and/or a clinical cognitive assessment tool (i.e. MMSE or CDR) in the operational definition. To accompany these results, and to help with replication of the work, the search strategy and data extraction results have been made available online.

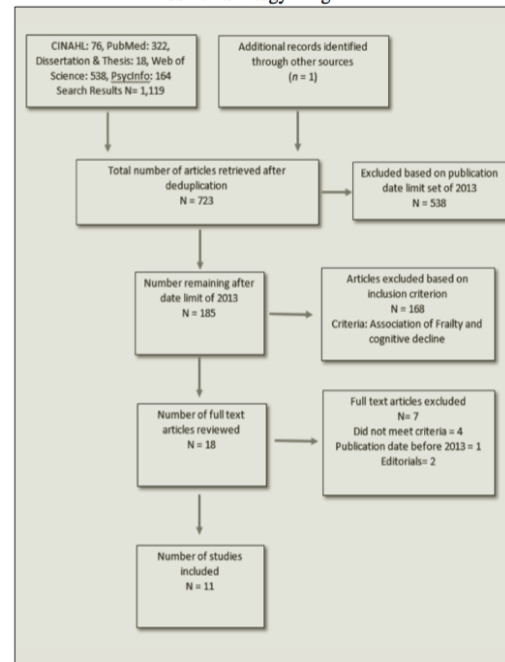
Results

The association between physical frailty and cognitive decline was established in cross-sectional and longitudinal studies before the International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A./I.A.G.G) proposed the definition of cognitive frailty in 2013 (25). Additionally, evidence presented in this review supports the link between physical frailty and cognitive decline with developing validity to support distinct relationships between components of physical frailty and cognition in community-dwelling older adults. Table 2 presents a comparison of the screening tools used by the ten studies included in this review and those proposed by the International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A./I.A.G.G) as a framework for evaluating the development and validation of an operational definition for cognitive frailty.

None of the researchers explicitly described using a theoretical framework; however, all the studies discussed components of cognitive frailty in relation to the International Consensus Group's (I.A.N.A./I.A.G.G) proposed definition. All 11 studies examined the correlation of physical frailty and cognitive impairment. Additionally, six studies examined rate of change in frailty scores in association to rate of deterioration of cognitive scores. Participants were non-demented at baseline in all but two studies, including baseline amnesic Mild Cognitive Impairment (aMCI) and a

probable/possible diagnosis of dementia (26, 27). Although several studies reported baseline cognitive status, scores were not always considered in the statistical model. This finding may be important because baseline cognition can decrease the association between frailty and all dementia outcomes; association between frailty and dementia was stronger with higher baseline scores (HR 1.78, 95% CI 1.14-2.78) than those with lower baseline cognitive scores (HR 0.79, 95% CI 0.50-1.26 p value for interaction = 0.02) (28).

Figure 1 Search Strategy Diagram



Cross-sectional studies

Six cross-sectional studies examined the association of frailty and cognitive decline using a modified CHS criterion (5). Functional status evaluations were added in several studies (26, 29, 30) and co-morbidities, age, gender, BMI, and depression were often considered in the covariate analysis (26, 27, 31). The cross-sectional studies relied on clinical evaluations including MMSE, executive tests, gait speed, grip strength, weight loss, and psychological markers (Table 2). Few of the studies used biomarkers, and only one used imaging in the operational definition (30).

Cohort study

One cohort study examined the associations between frailty and cognitive decline over 12 months (32). The study used

**Table 1**  
Operational Definitions of Cognitive Frailty

| Reference              | Mobility/<br>Gait Speed | Strength | Balance | Motor Pro-<br>cessing | Nutrition/<br>Weight loss | Endurance/<br>Fatigue | Physical<br>Activity | Neuropsy-<br>chiatric<br>Testing | Clinical<br>Cognitive<br>Assessment<br>Tool <sup>¥</sup> |
|------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Shimada et al. 2013    | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     | X                    | X                                | X  |
| Kulmala et al. 2014    | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     | X                    |                                  | X  |
| Buchman et al. 2014    | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     |                      | X                                | X  |
| Rolfson et al. 2013*   | X                       | X        | X       | X                     | X                         | X                     |                      | X                                | X  |
| Oosterveld et al. 2014 | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     | X                    | X                                | X  |
| McGough et al. 2013    | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         |                       | X                    | X                                | X  |
| Alencar et al. 2013    | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     | X                    | X                                | X  |
| Gray et al. 2013       | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     | X                    | X                                | X  |
| Solfrizzi et al. 2013  | X                       | X        | X       | X                     | X                         | X                     | X                    |                                  | X  |
| Robertson et al. 2014  | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     | X                    | X                                | X  |
| Han et al. 2014        | X                       | X        |         |                       | X                         | X                     | X                    |                                  | X  |

\*Rolfson et al. (2013) used 3 operational definitions: CHS, Edmonton Frail Scale, and Frailty Index; ¥ Clinical Cognitive Assessment Tool was defined as use of any of the following: MMSE, MoCA, CDR, ADAS-Cog or CASI

the CHS criterion (5) with the addition of a functional status evaluation and tested the MMSE and Clinical Dementia Rating Scale (CDR). The study did not control for chronic diseases or depression. Additionally total sample size (n=182) was small, affecting power for individual classifications of frailty (non-frail n=43, pre-frail n=104, frail n=35) (30).

**Longitudinal studies**

Results from four longitudinal studies were published after 2013. A modified CHS criterion (5) was used in three of the studies. One study used more than one frailty instrument to determine if the relationship between neurocognitive speed (NCS) and frailty was affected by how frailty was operationalized (33). The use of biomarkers, clinical markers, and imaging varied among studies. The use of biomarkers and imaging was more commonly used in the longitudinal studies than cohort and cross-sectional studies (Table 2). Functional status evaluation was added in one study (34) and co-morbidities were considered in the analysis for all of the studies.

**Validity**

For all the studies in this review, criterion validity was examined for performance of the operationalization of various cognitive frailty measurements. Predictive and discriminant validity was commonly reported as odds ratio (OR) or hazard ratio (HR); two studies used Pearson correlations and multiple linear regression models to establish associations between components of physical frailty and cognitive function. Predictive validity was established by investigating frailty and rate of change in cognition or correlation of frailty and cognitive decline. Discriminant validity was established by analyzing the relationship between measures of frailty (frail, pre-frail, and robust) and type of dementia (MCI, clinically diagnosed dementia, vascular dementia, and Alzheimer’s) (26, 28, 30, 32). All of the studies evaluated community-dwelling older adults for which the CHS frailty measures are validated (5). Only one study compared more than one operational definition of frailty: CHS, FI, and EFS (33). Heterogeneity was present in the objective measures, and the terminology-specific language for the components of the CHS frailty construct often varied from the validated CHS criteria (5).





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Heterogeneity was present in the objective measures for cognitive assessment and neuropsychiatric testing. Two studies assessed global cognition with the MMSE (30, 34), four used the MMSE and domain specific neuropsychiatric testing (26, 29, 32, 33), three used only domain neuropsychiatric testing (27, 28, 35), and one assessed global cognition with both the MMSE and MoCA with domain specific neuropsychiatric testing (36). The Cognitive Dementia Rating scale (CDR) had no predictive validity with evidence of no difference between frailty and cognition (relative risk = 2.1;  $p = 0.393$ ) (32). The National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology-Functional Assessment tool (NCGG-FAT) had good test-retest reliability with moderate to high external validity (Person  $r = 0.496$  to  $0.842$ ). The MMSE continues to be the most commonly used clinical cognitive assessment tool for operationalizing cognitive frailty (25); concurrent validity (Pearson  $r = 0.776$ ;  $p < 0.001$ ) and reliability test-retest (Person  $r = 0.827$ ;  $p = 0.001$ ) (37) with neuropsychiatric testing predictive and discriminate validity is established by the rate of change in MMSE and CHS frailty criterion (32).

Predictive validity was established in four main areas: 1) frailty and type of dementia: MCI (OR 2.0;  $p = <0.001$ ) and (OR 7.4, 95% CI 4.2-13.2) (29, 30); vascular dementia (OR 6.7, 95% CI 1.6-27.4) and (HR 2.68, 95% CI 1.16-7.17) (30, 34); and Alzheimer's dementia (OR 3.2, 95% CI 1.7-6.2), (HR 1.08, 95% CI 0.74-1.57), and (HR 0.62, 95% CI 0.20-1.89) (28, 30, 34). The relationship between frailty and vascular dementia (VaAD) is further supported by the rate of change in frailty x macroinfarcts ( $r = 0.032$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ) (35). Evidence of convergent validity exists between dementia and non-dementia types with findings to support the associations between frailty and non-Alzheimer's dementia (OR 2.57, 95% CI 1.08-6.11).

2) Frailty and the individual domains of cognitive function was identified by evaluating the relationship of neurocognitive speed and change in cognition using regression coefficients (33) and evaluation of the MMSE subdomains. Individual domains of cognitive function were found to be gender specific (31). Predictive validity was dependent on the frailty operational definition; Frailty Index (FI) and NCS (OR 0.87, 95% CI 0.81-0.95) compared to the modified CHS and EFS which found no correlation with neurocognitive speed (33).

3) Individual components of frailty and individual domains of cognitive function associations included slow gait and executive function ( $\beta -0.20$ ), attention ( $\beta -0.25$ ), processing speed ( $\beta -0.16$ ) (36), word recall ( $\beta -0.18$ ,  $p = 0.02$ ), and logical memory ( $\beta = 0.04$ ,  $p = 0.04$ ) (27). Weak grip was predictive for changes in executive function ( $\beta -0.16$ ,  $p = 0.008$ ) (27). Physical activity was associated with changes in executive function ( $\beta = -0.18$ ,  $p = 0.02$ ) and word recall ( $\beta = 0.17$ ,  $p = 0.02$ ) (27).

4) Individual components of frailty and global cognitive function were found in several studies (27, 28, 34-36). Individual components included grip strength ( $r = -0.51$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ), gait speed ( $r = -0.067$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ) (35), and exhaustion

( $\beta -0.18$ ) (36) were predictive for changes in global cognition.

Psychological markers were frequently used for the assessment of endurance, fatigue, or depression. However, variability existed in the type of assessment scale used and how the psychological marker was operationalized. Psychological markers were typically used to either assess endurance for fatigue in the CHS criteria (29, 35) or considered as a covariate in the statistical analysis (27, 28, 32, 34). Variability in the psychological markers can be seen in Table 2 and online material.

#### Reliability

Due to the heterogeneity in the objective measures for frailty, reliability was not consistently examined for cognitive frailty. The limited reliability and variability in the operational measurements used for the CHS frailty criteria add challenges to establishing an operational definition for cognitive frailty. Motor performance was the only measurement for which validity and reliability was established (34).

#### Feasibility

Instrumental assessments for cognitive frailty are currently time-consuming, expensive, require extensive training, and the clinical translation properties are not clear. The addition of biomarkers and imaging potentiates the complexity of the feasibility for measures and complicates the process for detection of cognitive frailty in the clinical setting.

#### Discussion

The findings from this review continue to support evidence for the association between physical frailty and cognitive decline. However, while cross-sectional studies have detected a relationship, further studies are needed to determine causal pathways (38). Studies continue to use different combinations of measurement instruments for cognitive frailty, but are measuring similar domains of physical frailty and cognition. Based on the findings in this review the CHF criteria with measures of mobility/gait speed, strength, nutrition/weight loss, endurance/fatigue, and physical activity, neuropsychiatric testing and a cognitive assessment tool was the most common operational definition (Table 1). Further testing of the cognitive frailty construct should attempt to provide validity and reliability for objective measures and scales which are based on self-report. Self-report scales must prove to be stable over time (test-retest reliability), and those administered by several individuals need to exhibit good inter-rater reliability. Additionally, inclusion of a theoretical framework will provide a structure for generating cumulative knowledge on which interventions can be based.

Studies are starting to deconstruct the relationship between the components of physical frailty and cognitive decline. Unravelling of the complex cognitive frailty construct will refine the operational definition and improve an

**Table 2**  
Use of biological, clinical, and imaging markers for cognitive frailty: International Consensus Group (I.A.N./I.A.G.G.)

|                                       | Shimada et al. 2013 | Kubota et al. 2014 | Buchanan et al. 2014 | Roffson et al. 2013 | Osterveld et al. 2014 | McCough et al. 2013 | Alencar et al. 2013 | Gray et al. 2013 | Sofrizzi et al. 2013 | Robertson et al. 2014 | Han et al. 2014 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Biomarkers</b>                     |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Inflammatory markers (e.g. CRP, IL-6) |                     |                    | X                    |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Beta-amyloid protein (Aβ)             |                     |                    | X                    |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| aPOEε4 genotype                       |                     |                    | X                    |                     |                       |                     |                     | X                |                      |                       |                 |
| Anemia                                |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Serum albumin                         |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  | X                    |                       |                 |
| Cholesterol                           |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  | Xβ                   |                       |                 |
| Vitamin D status                      |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| <b>Clinical markers</b>               |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| MMSE                                  | X                   | X                  |                      | X                   | X                     | X                   | X                   |                  | X                    | X                     | X               |
| Executive tests                       | X                   |                    | X                    |                     | X                     | X                   |                     | X                |                      | X                     |                 |
| ADAS-Cog                              |                     |                    |                      |                     | X                     | X                   |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| CDR                                   |                     |                    |                      |                     | X                     | X                   |                     |                  |                      | X                     |                 |
| MoCA                                  |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Gait speed                            | X                   | X                  | X                    | X                   | X                     | X                   | X                   | X                | X                    | X                     | X               |
| Hand grip strength                    | X                   | X                  | X                    | X                   | X                     | X                   | X                   | X                | X                    | X                     | X               |
| Weight loss                           | X                   | X                  | X                    | X                   | X                     | X                   | X                   | X                | X                    | X                     | X               |
| Psychological marker: GDS             | X®                  |                    | X£                   | X€                  |                       | X§                  | Xφ                  | XΩ               | X*                   |                       | X§              |
| <b>Actigraphy</b>                     |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| <b>Imaging</b>                        |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Dual energy                           |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| X-ray absorptiometry scans (DEXA)     |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Cerebral Computed tomography          |                     | X                  |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     | X                | X                    |                       |                 |
| Cerebral Magnetic resonance imaging   |                     | X                  |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     | X                | X                    |                       |                 |
| Functional MRI                        |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Diffusion tensor imaging (DTI)        |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Tractography                          |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Electrophysiological methods          |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |
| Cognitive evoked potentials           |                     |                    |                      |                     |                       |                     |                     |                  |                      |                       |                 |

Y: CT scan; MRI and laboratory tests (not specified) were used to make a diagnosis of vascular dementia, Alzheimer's disease, Lewy bodies, and dementia related to other medical causes; ®: Partial GDS scale; £: Psychological marker evaluated with two questions from the Center for Epidemiologic Studies; €: Psychological marker evaluated with the Edmonston Frail Scale; §: GDS-15 scale; φ: GDS-15 scale and Cornell Depression Scale; Ω: Psychological marker evaluated with Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression; \* GDS 30 scale; β Reported in original study.

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understanding of the clinical distinction between cognitive impairment due to physical frailty and an isolated neurological condition. Disentangling the association between frailty and cognitive decline requires the use of convergent validity to determine if the cognitive frailty construct is able to distinguish among between different types of dementia (e.g., Vascular, Alzheimer's, Lewy Body, and Parkinson's dementia) (27). The association of cognitive decline and frailty may be responsible for part of the heterogeneity in the presentation of dementia. Movement toward evaluating specific domains of cognitive impairment such as executive functioning and psychomotor speed versus a global assessment of dementia will facilitate an understanding of the implications for cognitive frailty. However, the current lack of validity and reliability of a cognitive frailty operational definition means that it is not possible to recommend translation of measures to detect the presence of risk factors that may predict cognitive frailty in the clinical settings.

A limitation of this review was the exclusion of studies that did not address the cognitive frailty construct. In the future, a review of the literature focused on individual physical function measures may identify other markers associated with cognitive impairment. Further research with epidemiological and population based studies that includes diverse ethnic and social economic groups will help establish a better understanding of the prevalence of cognitive frailty. The majority of studies in this review either did not report ethnicity or the sample included a high proportion of white (88%-99%) females (58%-80%). Only two studies provided a population-based estimate of cognitive frailty with samples of 5,104 Japanese (29) and 4,649 Irish community-dwelling older adults (36). Understanding how demographics effect the measurement of cognitive frailty are important since psychometric tools may be effected by populations which have higher rates frailty, comorbidity, cardiovascular disease, poorer health, decreased access to care, and low education and income (5). Inclusion of chronic diseases, such as depression and cardiovascular disease, as a part of the study design is an important part of describing other factors that may contribute to cognitive frailty over time. Additionally, adjustment for the presence of apolipoprotein (APOE) e4 alleles and other biomarkers (e.g. inflammatory makers, beta-amyloid protein) could help describe the pathophysiological mechanisms.

The early detection of cognitive decline emphasizes a promising focus for the development of preventive and therapeutic interventions. Current studies suggest the importance in understanding both constructs separately as a way to deconstruct dissociable components, describe common pathologies, and develop a single operational definition which would allow for targeted interventions. Ensuring validity and reliability in the measures used is paramount if providers are to identify individuals at risk for pathological non-normal aging changes and develop interventions to improve the quality of life of older adults. Further research is needed to establish an operational definition for cognitive frailty, develop a better

understanding of the directional relationship between physical frailty and cognitive impairment, gender differences, and identify biomarkers to assist with detection of diagnosis and disease progression.

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## MANUSCRIPT 2:

### Determining Biological Factors for Cognitive Frailty: A Systematic Review

**Abstract:** On April 16th, 2013 the International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A/I.A.G.G) formally defined the novel phenotype cognitive frailty; a condition characterized by the co-occurrence of physical frailty and cognitive impairment. We hypothesize that there are biological factors to describe the interconnection between physical frailty and cognitive impairment. This systematic review focuses on identifying the shared measurable biological and genomic mechanisms for physical frailty and cognitive decline. Two independent reviewers assessed the eligibility of each report based on predefined inclusion criteria to ensure interrater reliability; a third reviewer resolved conflicting assessments. The review was conducted using PubMed, Embase, Scopus, Web of Science, LILACS, Gene Indexer, and GWAS Central. Findings resulted in 1232 abstracts for full review, 327 articles were included in the final review. Data extraction identified a correlation between 16 distinct inflammatory and protein markers with biomarker-related gene expression for cognitive frailty. Meaningful findings were identified in the relationship between protein and genetic markers found for both cognitive decline and physical frailty. This systematic review presents the first known findings of the underlying biological characteristics for cognitive frailty providing evidence for converging pathophysiological pathways.

#### **Introduction**

In the past century, scientific research has been driven by molecular science with the common goal of identifying a single group of biological or genetic mechanisms as the



cause of disease. We now understand that the mechanisms underlying disease processes are multi-factorial and system based. A multi-system physiological disease requires a systems approach to precision research especially with older adults who have variable trajectories to the aging process with multiple co-morbidities. Efforts to unravel this complexity start with understanding the unique biological factors for a cluster of individuals presenting with similar symptoms and trajectories. Cognitive frailty can be considered a unique geriatric phenomenon in which we see a cluster of individuals with a condition which simultaneously presents with both physical frailty and cognitive impairment<sup>1</sup>. The International Consensus Group organized by the International Academy on Nutrition and Aging (I.A.N.A) and the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (I.A.G.G) convened in 2013 to identify related domains of physical frailty and cognition. The new construct called “cognitive frailty” is defined by the presence of physical frailty and cognitive impairment in the absence of Alzheimer’s disease or other dementias<sup>1</sup>. The mechanisms and the directional relationship behind the dynamic association of these two constructs remains unexplained. There exists strong evidence for the association of frailty and cognitive decline with suggestion for pathophysiological mechanisms which are shared by both clinical manifestations<sup>2</sup>. Although, some research has been conducted on the association between physical function and cognitive decline there is still no comprehensive list or understanding of the underlying mechanisms for cognitive frailty. Therefore, to further develop an understanding of cognitive frailty, it is critical that the operational definition explore both clinical and biological markers for cognitive decline and physical frailty.

Identification of a measurable cellular, biochemical, or molecular markers for cognitive frailty has not been identified. Because both cognitive decline and physical frailty are large heterogeneous conditions it may not be possible to identify one biomarker to measure both cognitive decline and frailty. The use of one or more biomarkers specific to both constructs will improve our understanding of the association<sup>3,4</sup>. It is possible that the underlying biological mechanisms for cognitive frailty are at the intersect between cognitive decline and physical frailty or cognitive frailty may contain some of its own unique markers of disease.

Some evidence exists to support inflammatory biomarkers (neuroinflammatory cytokines) such as C-reactive protein (CRP) and Interleukin-6 (IL-6) as antecedent biomarkers since they are associated with frailty and cognitive decline<sup>1,3</sup>. The complicated use of inflammatory biomarkers, such as CRP, for detection of disease is that they can be detected in other co-morbid diseases found in older adults (i.e. cardiovascular disease, rheumatologic disease). Wilson, Finch, and Cohen (2002) completed a review exploring over 30 neuroinflammatory cytokines and their findings indicate the potential for detection of cognitive decline and evidence for associated improvement of cognition with targeted interventions to reduce the production of specific neuroinflammatory cytokine markers<sup>5</sup>. Finally, genetic factors associated with cognitive frailty have not been fully explored. There have been several genome-wide association studies (GWAS) and candidate gene studies for cognitive decline with only more recent studies exploring the genetic mechanisms for frailty.

## Methods

### Search strategy

In this review, we followed the Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) guidelines<sup>6</sup>. A systematic review of the literature was performed using the following online databases: PubMed, Embase, Scopus, Web of Science, LILACS, Gene Indexer, and GWAS Central. For reproducibility, we have provided the PubMed search strategy in the supplementary appendix (Figure I). Databases were searched from the start date of the database to 22 December, 2015. An update of the searches was performed prior to the data extraction phase on 26 May, 2016 to identify any new publications. In addition to database searching, articles were hand-pulled from references and identified through other sources.

### Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Studies that included information on biomarkers or genetic markers for dementia, physical frailty, or cognitive frailty were included. Reviews, animal studies, imaging biomarkers, and case studies were excluded. Studies on a geriatric population, aged 65 and older, were included. Articles about other disease states such as cancer, Multiple Sclerosis, Down syndrome, Parkinson's disease, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), and Huntingdon's disease were excluded. Articles published in English were included.

### Study appraisals

A multi-step approach was used to evaluate relevant articles using Covidence, a web-based software platform selected by Cochrane Reviews that organizes and streamlines the systematic review process<sup>7</sup>. Figure I shows the stages (PRISMA) for retrieving the

studies for inclusion and extraction. We conducted a review of the titles and abstracts of all the papers identified through database searching and hand pulling from references lists. Three reviewers participated in this step and each article was reviewed by two reviewers (LS and AS) to ensure interrater reliability. A third reviewer (SH) resolved conflicting assessments. A fourth reviewer (EA) was available for additional arbitration however their services were not required. From 5942 articles identified, titles and/or abstracts reporting on information pertaining to biomarkers or genetic markers for cognitive decline, physical frailty, or cognitive frailty was included. 1232 potential relevant articles were chosen for closer review, two reviewers with appropriate subject expertise (LS and AS) assessed the full-text of the articles for relevancy. 327 full-text articles reporting on the relevant topic met inclusion/exclusion criteria and 899 articles were excluded. Reviewer disagreements were addressed in regular meetings and resolved. A final 327 articles were included in this systematic review.

#### Extraction

The analysis for this paper was generated using Qualtrics software, Version 9.2017 of Qualtrix (Copyright © [2017] Qualtrics. Qualtrics and all other Qualtrics product or service names are registered trademarks or trademarks of Qualtrics, Provo, UT, USA. <http://www.qualtrics.com>.) The survey created in Qualtrix (Qualtrics, Provo, UT) ensured consistency in reporting of biological markers limiting open text boxes, consistent categorizing of biomarkers by clinical, genetic, and fluid markers in the following categories: inflammatory/immunity, protein, metabolomics, oxidative stress. The database assigned each biomarker unique numeric code (i.e. IL6-3, CRP-27). When

data entry was complete, the final data frame was exported from Qualtrix and an analysis was carried out using R V. 3.2.1. R is free, open-source software that provides many statistical and graphic techniques. R packages used included 'MASS' and 'ggplot2'<sup>8,9</sup>.

We did not complete a formal method of assessment for the quality of the studies with a meta-analysis given that the goal of this review is to identify potential putative markers for a new phenotype "cognitive frailty". Level of evidence was appraised for longitudinal, observational (cohort, cross Sectional, case-control studies), and randomized clinical trials (RCTs) using the Center for Evidence Based Medicine Levels of Evidence<sup>10</sup>. Additionally, there are limited (RCTs) for frailty and none for cognitive frailty. We do provide a compressive list of the principle results, study design, and detail list of genetic findings correlated to one of the following phenotypes: cognitive decline, frailty, and cognitive frailty. The markers extracted for correlation to cognitive frailty were identified by the reviews to be studies that explored both frailty and cognitive decline in the same study.

### **Findings and discussion**

A total of 327 articles were used to extract the clinical, genetic, and protein markers for three phenotypes: cognitive decline, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty. Date ranges for the studies are shown in Figure II. Studies were reviewed in the following categories 39 genetic studies: 9 GWAS and 30 candidate gene studies, 279 biological protein studies, 9 medication risk studies. Additional study designs included observational (Cohort, cross sectional, and case-control studies), longitudinal, RCT and In Vitro studies.

For the 13 studies that included both a longitudinal and observational (Cohort, cross sectional, and case-control studies) study design we extracted markers from both study designs. The studies were categorized by phenotype: cognitive decline (n= 243), frailty (n= 72), and cognitive frailty (n= 11). Phenotypes were further defined by the type of cognitive decline (i.e. Alzheimer's disease, mild cognitive impairment) and component of frailty (i.e. gait, sarcopenia, grip strength, physical activity) as stated in the study or a combination both was considered cognitive frailty. The supplementary appendix (table I) shows the clinical and biomarkers extracted from 288 articles. Tables I-III show the biomarkers extracted by phenotype in the following categories: clinical, inflammatory/immunity, laboratory, protein, metabolomics, and oxidative stress. Additionally, a summation or frequency in which the biomarker occurred out of the 288 articles is shown by phenotype.

#### Clinical markers

Although, clinical markers were not a part of the search strategy several of the studies reported clinical findings associated with cognitive decline, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty. Demographics such as increasing age were a factor for all phenotypes, lower education and income were factors for individuals with cognitive decline and frailty. Other clinical markers included: measures of cardiovascular disease, elevated blood pressure, multiple co-morbidities, changes in body mass index (BMI), and alcohol intake. One of the most interesting clinical findings was an association between medications and all phenotypes. These included hypertension, benzodiazepine, anticholinergic, and psychoactive medications. Two categories of hypertensive medications beta-blockers

(i.e. metoprolol and atenolol) and angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors were found to have the most significant effect on cognitive decline<sup>11,12</sup>. Additionally, there was a significant interaction between ACE inhibitor use and carriers of *ApoE4* (odds ratio: 20.9, 95% CI 3.08-140.95,  $p = .002$ )<sup>12</sup>. Anticholinergic burden was found to be associated with cognitive decline and physical frailty. An interaction was found between *ApoE4* carriers and anticholinergic medications with users having the lowest cognitive scores. Irrespective of *ApoE4* status, drugs with high anticholinergic properties were associated with cognitive and physical decline<sup>11,13-16</sup>. Methods for measuring medication burden varied significantly between studies making it difficult compare study results.

#### Inflammatory/Immunity markers

There were 16 neuroinflammatory cytokine markers associated with cognitive decline and frailty. These included: elevated levels of IL6, CRP, tumor necrosis factor (TNF-alpha), uric acid, IL1-beta, erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR), cortisol/dehydroepiandrosterone ratio, IL1RA, CD8, IL6R, TNF-a receptor I (TNFR1), cortisol, homocysteine, fibrinogen, and beta 2-microglobulin (B2M). Additionally, all the neuroinflammatory markers associated with cognitive frailty were associated with either cognitive decline or frailty. These neuroinflammatory cytokines were found to be associated with cognitive decline and frailty in cross-sectional and longitudinal studies suggesting that these markers could be both early and persistent markers. The presence of the hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis hormones such as dehydroepiandrosterone can interact with inflammatory markers to influence disease.

This relationship should be explored further with clinical markers such as gender and body mass index.

#### Laboratory markers

Twenty laboratory markers are associated with both phenotypes and include:

Nutritional markers: low levels of vitamin D, total albumin, and selenium;

Cardiovascular/endocrine markers: elevated total cholesterol, triglycerides, LDL, insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1), glucose, insulin resistance, HbA1c; Hematology/renal markers: elevated creatinine, creatinine clearance, blood urea nitrogen (BUN), white blood cells (WBC); and decreased hemoglobin, hematocrit, cobalamin deficiency (B12), and increased methylmalonic acid (MMA), and hormonal marker: low levels of total testosterone associated with decreased lean muscle mass and cognitive decline. These markers combined with endocrine and immune markers suggest changes to the cellular immune system and HPA axis that are related to cognitive and physical decline.

Additionally, several studies included these markers and the inflammatory/immune markers as a composite score and found an increased risk for developing cognitive decline, frailty, and mortality<sup>17-22</sup>.

#### Protein markers

Several of the protein markers were measured by cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) and included known biomarkers associated with the neurofibrillary tangles involved in the pathogenesis of neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease and frontotemporal dementia<sup>23</sup>. None of these markers (i.e. p-tau, A $\beta$ -42) have been studied in frailty. Three markers measured by serum/plasma were associated with both



cognitive decline and frailty, these included: sirtuin 1 and cystatin C. The down regulation of Sirtuin 1 has been reported to be involved in the pathway that controls the expression of A $\beta$  peptide through *ADAM10*<sup>24</sup>. Concentrations of sirtuin 1 decline with age but the decline was found to be more significant in individuals with cognitive decline and frailty compared to age matched healthy individuals<sup>24,25</sup>. Additionally, cystatin C has been thought to bind to soluble A $\beta$  preventing accumulation in the brain<sup>26</sup>. Decreased serum cystatin C has been associated with higher risk for cognitive decline and gait speed decline<sup>27,28</sup>.

#### Metabolomics and oxidative stress markers

No metabolomics markers were found to be related to cognitive frailty. Two oxidative stress markers were associated, these included: malondialdehyde (MDA) and protein carbonyls. MDA and protein carbonyls are well established oxidative biomarkers and are considered to be a good measure of systemic oxidative stress<sup>29</sup>. Both are associated with frailty and cognitive decline but not predictive of the development or progression of disease<sup>29,30</sup>.

#### Genetic

The supplementary appendix table II shows a complete list of genetic markers identified by phenotype. Three genes were found to be associated with cognitive decline and frailty in candidate gene studies: *IL6* rs1800796, *TNF* rs1800629, and *COMT* with different SNPs, rs4680 for cognitive decline and rs4646316 for frailty. *IL6* and *TNF* have corresponding serum markers that are associated with both phenotypes (see inflammatory/immunity markers)<sup>31-34</sup>.

There are 12 serum biomarker and gene correlations, these are shown in table IV.

Further evaluation is need to determine if there is a direct correlation between gene expression and serum marker function.

### **Conclusions**

It has previously been postulated that a dysregulation across multiple systems may be the potential cause for both cognitive and physical decline<sup>18,19,21</sup>. The results from this systematic review provide evidence for a biological association between cognitive decline and physical frailty. The potential in identifying a unique biomarker that is the key to a specific molecular or cellular event is enticing but considering the complexity and individual variability to aging we need to consider the possibility that these interactions are non-linear. Several studies presented here have taken various approaches to combining biomarkers using method such as allostatic load index, physiologic dysfunction scores, principle components analysis (PCA), and serum protein based algorithms (random forest methods) to yield a more accurate understanding in the relationship between biomarkers and detection of disease<sup>18,19,21,22</sup>. Future research should focus approaches that could include multiple markers of disease to build an accurate model for the detection of cognitive frailty. Finding should be reproducible and validated before translating into clinical practice. Integrating multiple biomarkers has potential to help us better understand the complex physiological interactions. Such validated models for disease detection will be invaluable in the prevention and early detection of diseases unique to aging.

Figure I. PRISMA flow diagram of study selection and citation analysis<sup>6</sup>

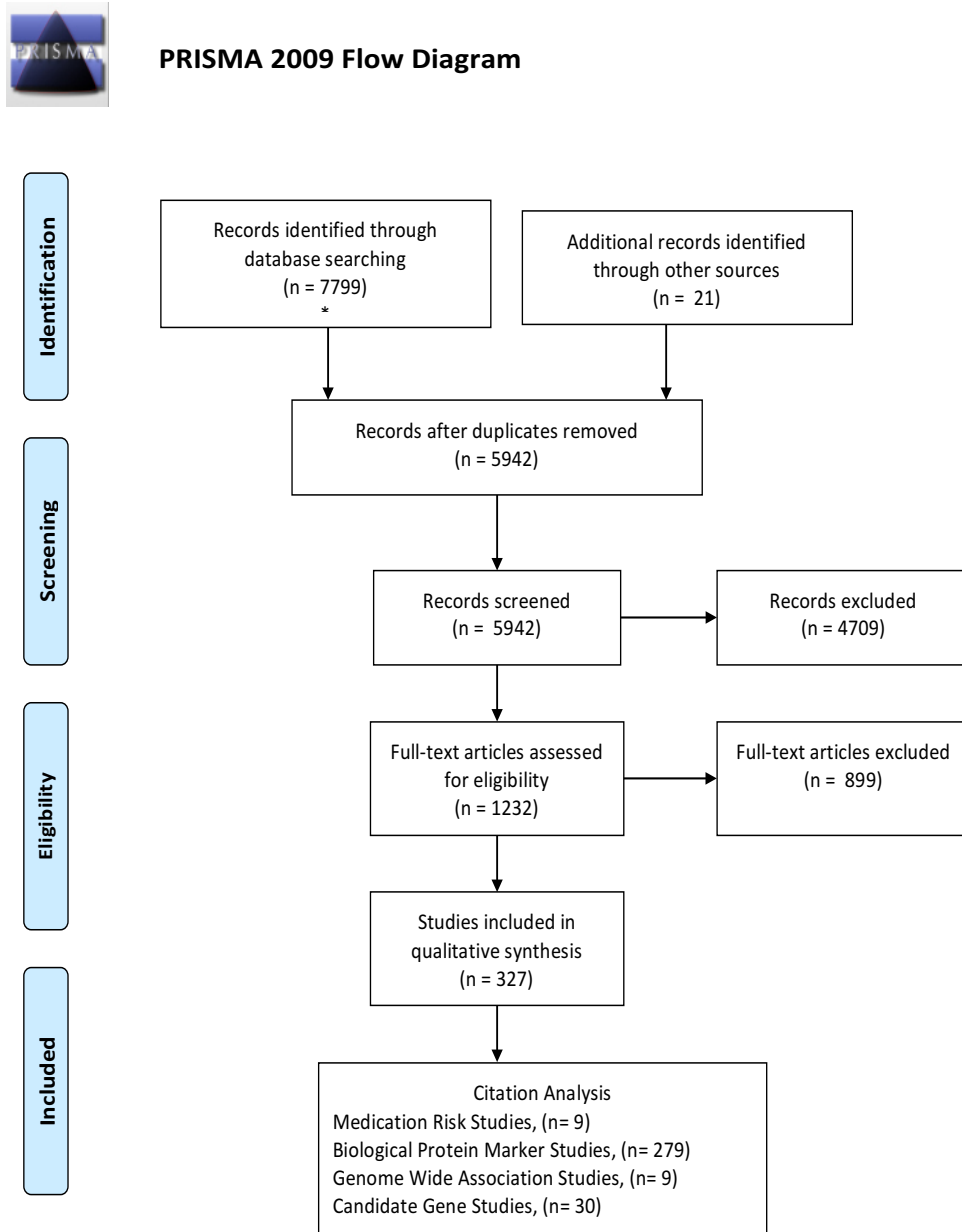


Figure II. Systematic review publication date range

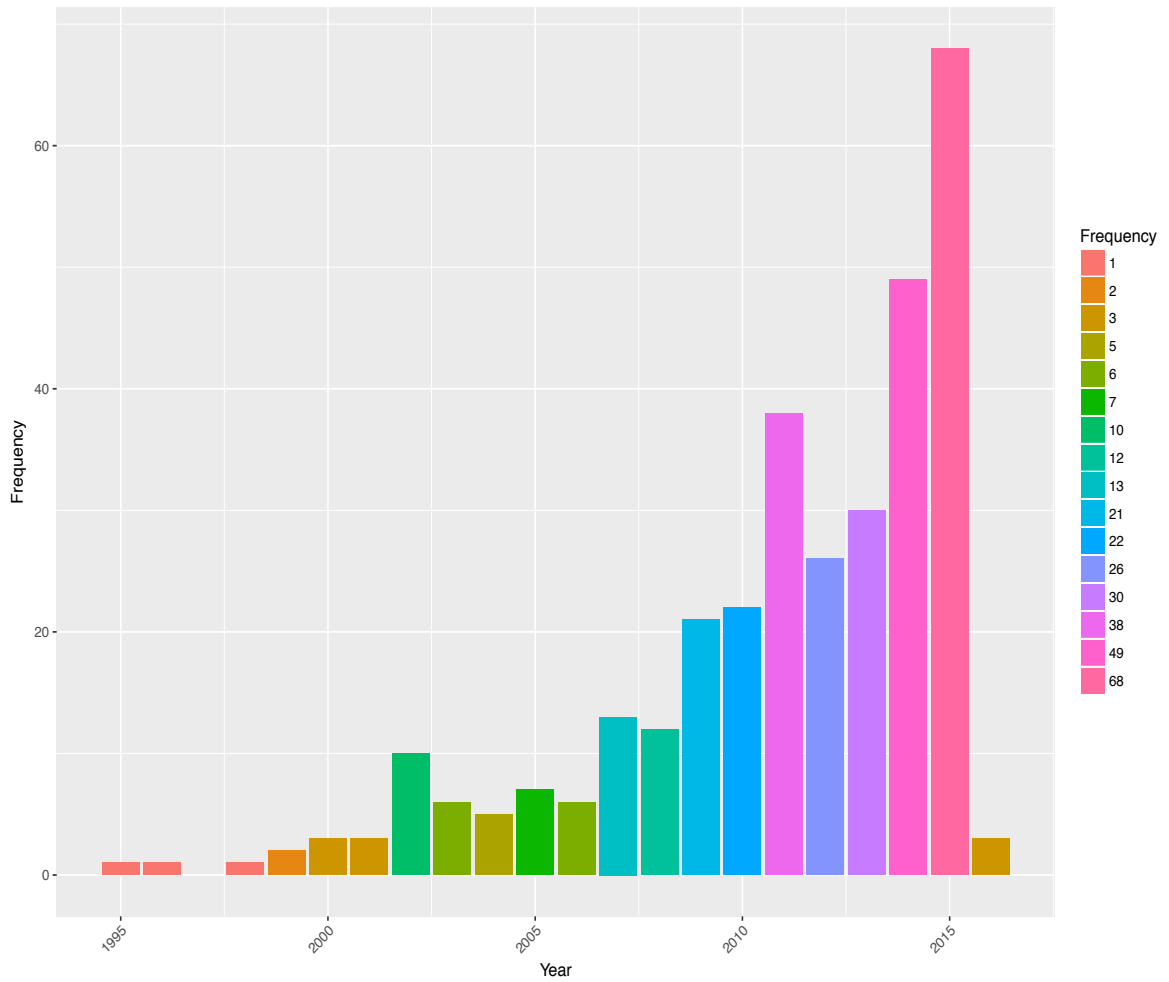


Table I. Cognitive decline biomarkers by category and frequency

| 1.Frequency | 1.Inflammatory/Immunity Markers                       | 2.Frequency | 2.Laboratory Markers                                 | 3.Frequency | 3.Protein Markers  | 4.Frequency | 4.Metabolomic Markers            | 5.Frequency | 5.Oxidative Stress Markers                       | 6.Frequency | 6.Clinical Markers                             |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|-------------|--|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|--|
| 19          | C-reactive protein                                    | 9           | Composite Score (multiple markers)                   | 37          | Aβ 1-40/t-tau ratio                                      | 2           | Docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)       | 6           | F2-isoprostanes/isoprostanes                     | 6           | Elevated blood pressure                        |
| 17          | IL6   | 8           | Albumin  | 32          | Aβ42   | 1           | Sphingolipid- SM(d18:1/18:0)     | 2           | Choline plasmalogen(PlsCho)                      | 5           | Anticholinergic medications                    |
| 9           | Homocysteine  | 7           | Olfactory marker                                     | 26          | Aβ 1-42  | 1           | sphingomyelin [SM(39:1)]         | 2           | Glutathione peroxidase (GSH-Px)                  | 5           | Change in Body Mass Index                      |
| 8           | Tumor necrosis factor (TNF-α)                         | 5           | Ocular marker  | 19          | PhosphoTau181 (P-tau181)                                 | 1           | SM/ceramide ratio                | 2           | Oxidative stress markers /Total antioxidant stat | 2           | Alcohol intake                                 |
| 5           | YKL-40 (neuroinflammation or Chitinase-3 Chi3L3)      | 4           | Folate   | 13          | P-tau  | 1           | SM/ceramide ratio                | 1           | Peroxisomal b-oxidation levels                   | 2           | Elevated systolic pressure                     |
| 5           | Cortisol  | 3           | Creatinine   | 8           | Aβ1-42/ Aβ1-40 ratio                                     | 1           | PC aa 36:1 Glycerophospholipids  | 1           | Ethanolamin plasmalogen (PlsEtn)                 | 2           | Elevated diastolic pressure                    |
| 4           | IL8   | 3           | Cobalamin deficiency (B12)                           | 7           | Aβ 1-40  | 1           | PC aa 32:0 Glycerophospholipids  | 1           | PlsCho + PlsEtn                                  | 2           | Increase Waist Circ/Waist-to-hip               |
| 3           | TNF-α receptor I (TNFR1)                              | 3           | Platelet distribution width (PDW)                    | 7           | P-tau231   | 1           | PC 16:0/20:5 phosphatidylcholine | 1           | PlsCho/PlsEtn Ratio                              | 1           | Change in resting heart rate                   |
| 3           | Fibrinogen  | 2           | Nutrient biomarker patterns (NBP)                    | 5           | Aβ40   | 1           | PC 16:0/22:6 phosphatidylcholine | 1           | Plasmalogen                                      | 1           | Cardiovascular disease                         |
| 3           | Uric Acid   | 2           | Blood urea nitrogen (BUN)                            | 5           | P-tau181/Aβ42  | 1           | PC 18:0/22:6 phosphatidylcholine | 1           | Protein carbonyls                                | 1           | Benzodiazepine medications                     |
| 3           | Monocyte chemotactic Protein-2 (MCP-2)                | 2           | Methylmalonic acid (MMA)                             | 5           | Cystatin C   | 1           | Ceramides C16:0                  | 1           | Malondialdehyde (MDA)                            | 1           | Hypertensive medications                       |
| 3           | Resistin  | 2           | Glucose  | 4           | t-tau/ Aβ42  | 1           | Ceramides C20:0                  | 1           |  | 1           | Angiotension converting enzyme medications     |
| 2           | IL10  | 2           | Insulin resistance (IR-HOMA)                         | 3           | Aβ 1-42/t-tau ratio                                      | 1           | Ceramides C22:0                  | 1           |  | 2           | Psychoactive medications                       |
| 2           | IL1beta   | 2           | Lipids: Triglycerides                                | 3           | Apolipoprotein A-1 (ApoA1)                               | 1           | Ceramides C24:0                  | 1           |  | 1           | Low level of education                         |
| 2           | IL17E   | 2           | Lipids: LDL cholesterol                              | 3           | Brain derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF)                 | 1           | Ceramides C26:0                  | 1           |  | 1           | Instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) |
| 2           | Clusterin   | 2           | Lipids: HDL cholesterol                              | 3           | Lysosomal-associated membrane protein 1 (LAM)            | 1           | Stearoyl                         | 1           |  | 1           | Activities of daily living (ADLs)              |
| 2           | TNF-α receptor II (TNFR2)                             | 2           | Free Testosterone                                    | 2           | sAβ/APP ratio  | 1           | Eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA)      |             |  |             |  |
| 2           | Macrophage Migration Inhibitory Factor (MIF)          | 2           | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1)           | 2           | Aβ42/ Aβ40   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 2           | Cortisol/Dehydroepiandrosterone ratio                 | 2           | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-2)           | 2           | Neurofilament light chain (NFL)                          |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 2           | Vascular cell adhesion molecule 1 (VCAM1)             | 2           | Insulin like growth factor protein Binding Protein ( | 2           | Apolipoprotein A-1 (ApoA2)                               |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 2           | Soluble receptor for advanced glycation end products  | 2           | Insulin like growth factor protein Binding Protein ( | 2           | Complement factor H (CFH) protein 1                      |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 2           | Plasma Pentraxin 3 (PTX3)                             | 2           | Anemia   | 2           | Chromogranin A (CgA)                                     |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 2           | alpha 2-macroglobulin (A2M)                           | 2           | Hemoglobin   | 2           | Visinin-like protein-1 (VLIP-1)                          |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 2           | Adiponectin   | 2           | Polyunsaturated fatty acids (O3PUFAs)/ n-6/n-3 ra    | 2           | β-secretase (BACE-1)                                     |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IL1   | 2           | alpha-1-antichymotrypsin (ACT)                       | 2           | Ubiquitin  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IL6R  | 2           | Vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF)            | 2           | Heat shock protein 70                                    |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IL13  | 1           | Peroxidase   | 2           | Epidermal growth factor (EGF)                            |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IL1RA   | 1           | Creatinine Clearance                                 | 2           | Pancreatic peptide (PP)                                  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IL7   | 1           | N-acetylaspartate (NAA )/creatinine (Cr)             | 1           | Soluble amyloid β protein (sAβ)                          |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IL12p70   | 1           | Methylcric acid (MCA)                                | 1           | Amyloid β precursor protein (APP)                        |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | D-dimer   | 1           | Holotranscobalamin (holoTC)                          | 1           | Aβ 1-42/p-tau ratio                                      |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Procalcitonin   | 1           | Glycohemoglobin (HbA1c)                              | 1           | P-tau231/Aβ42/40 ratio                                   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR)                  | 1           | Lipids: Total Cholesterol                            | 1           | T-tau/Aβ42/40 ratio                                      |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | GlycA   | 1           | 24S-hydroxycholesterol                               | 1           | Apolipoprotein C2  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Macrophage inflammatory protein 1-α (MIP 1α)          | 1           | Aspartate transaminase (AST)                         | 1           | Apolipoprotein H   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Plasminogen activator inhibitor (PAI-1)               | 1           | Gamma glutamyl transferase (GGT)                     | 1           | ApoB/ApoA1 ratio   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Serum Amyloid A                                       | 1           | Total Testosterone                                   | 1           | A1AcidG  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Fibrinogen gamma-chain                                | 1           | Total Bilirubin                                      | 1           | Transthyretin (TTR)                                      |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Neural cell adhesion molecule (NCAM)                  | 1           | Vitamin E  | 1           | Ceruloplasmin  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Adhesion molecule soluble intercellular adhesion mole | 1           | Vitamin D  | 1           | Cathepsin D  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Soluble receptor for advanced glycation end products  | 1           | Vitamin C  | 1           | Glycogen synthase kinase-3 (GSK3-α)                      |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Neutrophil/Lymphocyte ratio                           | 1           | Beta-Carotene  | 1           | Neuronal Cell Adhesion Molecule (NrcAM)                  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Monocyte chemotactic protein-1 (MCP-1)                | 1           | Calcium  | 1           | Axl receptor tyrosine kinase (AXL)                       |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | CD40  | 1           | Nitrate+Nitrate3                                     | 1           | VLIP-1/Abeta1-42   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IgG2  | 1           | Selenium   | 1           | Sirtuin/SIRT1  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | IgA   | 1           | Hematocrit   | 1           | Aβ/β-actin   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | P-selectin  | 1           | Mean platelet volume (MPV)                           | 1           | α-secretase (ADAM10)                                     |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Matrix Metalloproteinase-10 (MMP-10)                  | 1           | Transferrin  | 1           | Rab3   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Chemokine receptor 2 (CCR2) (protein2 list)           | 1           | Haptoglobin  | 1           | Rab7   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | Beta 2-microglobulin (B2M)                            | 1           | White blood cells (WBC)                              | 1           | Early Endosome Marker (EEA1)                             |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | FAS ligand belongs to TNF family                      | 1           | Total Urinary polyphenols (TUPs)                     | 1           | Lysosomal-associated membrane protein 2 (LAMP-2)         |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
| 1           | CD8   | 1           | Alpha-1-antitrypsin (alpha1-AT)                      | 1           | Microtubule-associated protein 1A/1B-light chain 3 (LC3) |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Lactoferrin (LTF)                                    | 1           | Phospholipase A2 (PLA2)                                  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | N-terminal pro b-type natriuretic peptide (NT-prot   | 1           | Carcinoembryonic antigen                                 |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Luteinizing hormone (LH)                             | 1           | Osteoprotegerin (OPG)                                    |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   |             |  | 1           | Neruogranin (NGRN)                                       |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   |             |  | 1           | Cellular prion protein (PrPc)                            |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   |             |  | 1           | Kidney Injury Molecule (KIM-1)                           |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   |             |  | 1           | Growth-regulated alpha protein (GRO-α)                   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   |             |  | 1           | Eotaxin-3  |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   |             |  | 1           | Unfolded p53   |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |
|             |   |             |  | 1           | P-t181p/Ab1-42 ratio                                     |             |                                  |             |  |             |  |

Table II. Frailty biomarkers by category and frequency

| 1.Frequency | 1.Inflammatory/Immunity Markers                         | 2.Frequency | 2.Laboratory Markers                        | 3.Frequency | 3.Protein Markers                                    | 4.Frequency | 4.Metabolomic Markers | 5.Frequency | 5.Oxidative Stress Markers                      | 6.Frequency | 6.Clinical Markers               |
|-------------|---|-------------|---|-------------|--|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|---|-------------|----------------------------------|
| 33          | IL6   | 10          | Vitamin D                                   | 2           | Propeptide of type I procollagen (PINP)              | 1           | X12063                | 2           | Serum 8-hydroxy-2-deoxyguanosine (8-OHdG)       | 4           | Cardiovascular disease           |
| 24          | C-reactive protein                                      | 6           | Albumin                                     | 2           | C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (Beta CTX) | 1           | Urate                 | 1           | Protein carbonyls                               | 3           | Increase Waist Circ/Waist-to-hip |
| 6           | Tumor necrosis factor (TNF-alpha)                       | 5           | Composite Score (multiple markers)          | 2           | Extracellular heat shock protein (eHsp) 72           | 1           | Mannose               | 1           | thol level (TTL)                                | 2           | Calibrated Protein intake        |
| 6           | Uric Acid   | 5           | Lipids: Total Cholesterol                   | 1           | Cystatin C   | 1           | Myostatin             | 1           | Derivate of reactive oxygen metabolites (d-ROM) | 1           | Increased falls                  |
| 5           | Fibrinogen  | 5           | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1)  | 1           | Cytomegalovirus                                      | 1           |                       | 1           | Malondialdehyde (MDA)                           | 1           | Alcohol intake                   |
| 4           | IL1beta   | 5           | Parathyroid hormone (PTH)                   | 1           | C-terminal Agrin Fragment (CAF)                      |             |                       |             |   | 1           | Change in Body Mass Index        |
| 3           | Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR)                    | 5           | White blood cells (WBC)                     | 1           | Sirtuin 1  |             |                       |             |   | 1           | More than 2 chronic diseases     |
| 3           | Cortisol/Dehydroepiandrosterone ratio                   | 4           | Insulin resistance (IR-HOMA)                | 1           | Sirtuin 2  |             |                       |             |   | 1           | Anticholinergic medications      |
| 2           | IL1RA   | 3           | Creatinine                                  | 1           | Sirtuin 3  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 2           | Motif chemokine 10/ Interferon-gamma (CXCL-10/IFN-gama) | 3           | Glycohemoglobin (HbA1c)                     | 1           | Complement component protein (C1q)                   |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 2           | CD8   | 3           | Hemoglobin                                  | 1           | Klotho   |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 2           | Dehydroepiandrosterone sulphate (DHEAS)                 | 3           | Lymphocytes                                 | 1           | Lipoplysaccharide bining protein (LBP)               |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 1           | IL2   | 2           | Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 1           | IL6R  | 2           | Cobalamin deficiency (B12)                  |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 1           | IL18  | 2           | Methylmalonic acid (MMA)                    |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 1           | TNF-a receptor I (TNFR1)                                | 2           | Carotenoids                                 |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 1           | Cortisol  | 2           | Lipids: Triglycerides                       |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 1           | Homocysteine  | 2           | Neutrophils                                 |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
| 1           | Beta 2-microglobulin (B2M)                              | 2           | Follistatin                                 |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 2           | Von Willebrand Factor Vllc                  |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Creatinine Clearance                        |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Glucose                                     |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Lipids: LDL cholesterol                     |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Free thyroxine, FT4                         |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Phytohemagglutinin                          |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Pokeweed mitogen                            |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Total Testosterone                          |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Estrogen                                    |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Vitamin B6                                  |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Selenium                                    |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Blood urea nitrogen (BUN)                   |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH            |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Free thyroxine, FT3                         |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Anemia                                      |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Hematocrit                                  |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Monocytes                                   |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Cystathionine                               |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Ratio-Zinc/Copper                           |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Total Urinary polyphenols (TUPs)            |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Total dietary polyphenols (TDPs)            |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | alpha-tocopherol                            |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | alpha-1-antichymotrypsin (ACT)              |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |
|             |   | 1           | Von Willebrand Factor Vlllc                 |             |  |             |                       |             |   |             |                                  |

Table III. Cognitive frailty biomarkers by category and frequency

| 1.Frequency | 1.Inflammatory/Immunity Markers         | 2.Frequency | 2.Laboratory Markers                                  | 3.Frequency | 3.Protein Markers          | 6.Frequency | 6.Clinical Markers                             |
|-------------|---|-------------|---|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|--|
| 6           | C-reactive protein                      | 2           | Creatinine Clearance                                  | 1           | Apolipoprotein A-I (ApoA1) | 4           | Change in Body Mass Index                      |
| 4           | IL6                                     | 2           | Cobalamin deficiency (B12)                            | 1           | Prostaglandin F2-alpha     | 2           | More than 2 chronic diseases                   |
| 2           | Dehydroepiandrosterone sulphate (DHEAS) | 2           | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1)            | 1           | Apolipoprotein B           | 1           | Income   |
| 1           | IL8                                     | 2           | Vitamin D   |             |                            | 1           | Low level of education                         |
| 1           | IL1beta                                 | 2           | White blood cells (WBC)                               |             |                            | 1           | Alcohol intake                                 |
| 1           | IL1alpha                                | 1           | Albumin   |             |                            | 1           | Elevated blood pressure                        |
| 1           | Fibrinogen                              | 1           | Creatinine  |             |                            | 1           | Elevated systolic pressure                     |
| 1           | CD8                                     | 1           | Glucose   |             |                            | 1           | Cardiovascular disease                         |
| 1           | Homocysteine                            | 1           | Glycohemoglobin (HbA1c)                               |             |                            | 1           | Psychoactive medications                       |
| 1           | Cortisol                                | 1           | Lipids: LDL cholesterol                               |             |                            | 1           | Depression                                     |
|             |   | 1           | Alpha-linolenic acid                                  |             |                            | 1           | Instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) |
|             |   | 1           | Anemia  |             |                            | 1           | Activities of daily living (ADL)               |
|             |   | 1           | Sodium  |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Phosphate   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Polyunsaturated fatty acids (O3PUFAs)/ n-6/n-3 ratio  |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Hematocrit  |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Hemoglobin  |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Mean corpuscular volume (MCV)                         |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Red blood cells (RBC)                                 |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | White blood cells (WBC)                               |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Lymphocytes   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Monocytes   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Neutrophils   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Urate   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Glucose   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Total protein   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Alanine aminotransferase (ALT)                        |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Calcium   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Lipids: Triglycerides                                 |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Lipids: Total Cholesterol                             |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Free thyroxine, fT4                                   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Ferritin,   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Lipids: HDL cholesterol                               |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | Free thyroxine, fT3                                   |             |                            |             |  |
|             |   | 1           | N-terminal pro b-type natriuretic peptide (NT-proBNP) |             |                            |             |  |



Table IV. Serum and genetic correlations by phenotype

| Serum biomarker                          | Phenotype associated with serum biomarker | Genetic biomarker                    | Phenotype associated with genetic biomarker |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| Vitamin D (25(OH)D)                      | Frailty and cognitive decline             | VDR (Vitamin D receptor)             | Sarcopenia                                  |
| Cystatin C                               | Frailty and cognitive decline             | CST3 (cystatin)                      | Cognitive decline                           |
| Chemokine receptor 2 (CCR2)              | Cognitive decline                         | CCL2                                 | Cognitive decline                           |
| Myostatin                                | Frailty                                   | MSTN (myostatin)                     | Sarcopenia                                  |
| Klotho                                   | Frailty                                   | <i>KLOTHO</i>                        | Cognitive function                          |
| IL-6                                     | Frailty and cognitive decline             | IL-6                                 | Sarcopenia and cognitive decline            |
| TNF-alpha                                | Frailty and cognitive decline             | TNF-alpha                            | Sarcopenia, frailty, and cognitive decline  |
| IL-6R                                    | Frailty and cognitive decline             | IL-6R                                | Cognitive decline                           |
| CRP                                      | Frailty and cognitive decline             | AP2A2 (trait CRP), USP50 (trait CRP) | Cognitive decline                           |
| IL-1beta                                 | Frailty and cognitive decline             | IL-1beta                             | Cognitive decline                           |
| IL-18                                    | Frailty                                   | IL-18                                | Frailty                                     |
| IL-12p70                                 | Cognitive decline                         | IL-12A                               | Frailty                                     |
| Brain derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) | Cognitive decline                         | BDNFval66Met                         | Cognitive decline                           |

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### MANUSCRIPT 3:

#### Establishing Biological Plausibility for Cognitive Frailty: A Population Predictive Model

##### Abstract:

**Background:** This study aims to create a population predictive model to gain a more in-depth understanding of the underlying biological mechanisms for cognitive frailty as currently defined by the International Consensus Group in 2013. **Methods:** Data were from the InCHIANTI study, collected at baseline from 1998-2000. This group is a representative sample (n=1,453) of a population of white European origin from two small towns in Tuscany, Italy. To build our model, we used biomarkers with implications for clinical research and practice; a total of 132 putative SNPs and 155 protein biomarkers were identified from a systematic review (manuscript 2). We used a tree boosting model, Extreme Gradient Boosting (xgboost), a machine learning technique for supervised learning. **Results:** We developed two predictive models with high accuracy, AUCs for Model I is 0.877 (95% CI 0.825-0.903) and 0.864 (95% CI 0.804-0.899) for Model II. Results provide biological evidence for the relationship between cognitive decline and physical frailty supporting findings of dysregulation across multiple systems as the potential cause of cognitive frailty. One of the top predictors for cognitive frailty included anticholinergic burden with the presents of *SLCO1B1* rs4363657 (TMT-A  $\beta = .20$  ,TMT-B  $\beta = .38$ ). **Conclusions:** The results from this study establish a foundation for an understanding of the underlying biological mechanisms for the relationship between cognitive decline and physical frailty.

## Introduction

The relationship between the phenotypes physical frailty and cognitive decline has been established in epidemiological studies. Both are associated with higher rates of disability, falls, mortality, an increase in health service need, and high direct/indirect costs to healthcare from long-term care and hospitalization<sup>1-6</sup>. Evidence exists to support a longitudinal bidirectional relationship between physical function and cognitive decline; finding that associations between physical functioning and consequent cognitive decline are similar to associations with individuals with cognitive decline and consequent physical functioning<sup>7</sup>. These findings support an a priori hypothesis for shared biological mechanisms that underlie the association of physical and cognitive decline.

Although physical and cognitive impairment have been shown to be related, both phenotypes have long been studied separately<sup>4</sup>. To address this gap, the International Consensus Group organized by the International Academy on Nutrition and Aging (I.A.N.A) and the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (I.A.G.G) convened in 2013 to identify related domains of physical frailty and cognition. The new construct called “cognitive frailty” is defined by the presence of physical frailty and cognitive impairment in the absence of Alzheimer’s disease or other dementias<sup>4</sup>. The International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A. /I.A.G.G.) report is an acknowledgment of the need to focus research efforts on a clinical condition characterized by the occurrence of physical frailty and cognitive impairment, in the absence of overt dementia diagnosis or underlying neurological conditions<sup>4</sup>. The cognitive frailty construct is considered a

heterogeneous clinical syndrome in older adults with evidence of: 1) physical frailty and cognitive impairment; and 2) exclusion of a clinical diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease or other dementia<sup>4</sup>.

The introduction of this new phenotype demonstrates evidence for cognitive frailty as a subgroup of cognitive decline and physical frailty. Genetic risk factors and biological markers may be unique to individuals who present with cognitive frailty in contrast to those with isolated cognitive or physical decline. A model for detecting cognitive frailty could provide practitioners with the tools needed for early detection and secondary prevention for individuals with cognitive frailty. Currently, the instrumental assessments for cognitive frailty are time-consuming, expensive, require extensive training, and the clinical translation of these assessments is not clear<sup>4</sup>. Translating the cognitive frailty construct into the clinical setting is limited by the lack of consensus on an operational definition and considerable heterogeneity in the diagnostic criteria<sup>8</sup>. An understanding of the biomarkers that define cognitive frailty will help distinguish between changes related to normal aging, irreversible pathological process, and specific neurological diseases that may be reversible<sup>9</sup>. The strength in understanding the biological underpinnings of cognitive frailty is the ability to provide early detection and accurate diagnosis.

The primary purpose of this research was to create a population predictive model to gain a more in-depth understanding of the underlying biological mechanisms for cognitive frailty as currently defined by the International Consensus Group in 2013. This paper focuses on defining the shared mechanisms for physical frailty and cognitive



impairment and establishing a model for determining the presence of risk factors that may predict cognitive frailty in the clinical setting. An important innovation in this study was the use of machine learning (ML) statistical modeling to define the differences between the following groups: cognitive decline, physical frailty and cognitive frailty. The study builds an algorithmic classifier for cognitive frailty with candidate factors identified by a systematic review (results published elsewhere). Notably, the identification of unique biomarkers may also serve to group patients by underlying pathophysiologic processes and further refine the assignment to a clinical diagnostic category. Such precision in the determination of genetic and biological biomarkers related to cognitive frailty will lead to a better understanding of the interrelated pathology between physical frailty and cognitive impairment and, ultimately, to early detection and targeted interventions focused on the prevention of cognitive and functional disabilities.

## Methods

### *Study Population*

Figure 1 shows a summary of our workflow, further details on phenotypes and the list of biomarkers are available in the supplementary appendix. Clinical, protein, and genetic biomarker samples were from participants of the InCHIANTI study, collected at baseline from 1998-2000. This group is a representative sample (n=1,453) of the population of white European origin from two small towns in Tuscany, Italy. The primary aim of the InCHIANTI study to evaluate function and mobility in older community-dwelling individuals. A detailed description of the study design, data collection, and sampling

procedure are published elsewhere<sup>10</sup>. This secondary study was approved by the ethics committee at *Centre de recherché Clinique du CHUS*, project #547.

### Predictive Measures

The International Consensus Group's (I.A.N.A. /I.A.G.G.) list of potential biomarkers is not meant to be complete, accurate, or exhaustive<sup>4</sup>. Since an exhaustive list of biomarkers is not present in the literature; we used a systematic review to identify factors associated with cognitive decline, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty based on the current operational definitions (Sargent et al., 2018). We searched the following online databases: PubMed, Embase, Scopus, Web of Science, LILACS, Gene Indexer, and GWAS Central. Databases were searched from the start date of the database to 22 December, 2015. An update of the searches was performed prior to the data extraction phase on 26 May, 2016 to identify any new publications. The systematic review resulted in 327 articles for the final synthesis, identifying 456 predictive protein and genetic biomarkers. A total of 289 variables identified from the systematic review were available in the InCHIANTI database. Variables were removed if there was > 12% missing data, resulting in 132 putative SNPs and 155 protein biomarkers. To build our model, we used protein markers with implications for clinical research and practice, and completed genetic risk score estimates (i.e. the cumulative genetic risk burden estimated from SNPs of interest, or GRS) before including the individual single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) in the final models. Many of the protein markers included in our model are used clinically for detection of disease; therefore we organized the results by using the clinical designation identified by clinical pathology laboratories. The categories

include inflammation/immunity, nutrient, lipid metabolism, metabolomics, renal/electrolyte, hematology/liver, endocrine/hormones, and clinical features. Known predictive clinical features identified repeatedly in the systematic review were age, depression, gender, and level of education. Baseline diagnosis of dementia was included in the models for frailty and cognitive frailty. Additionally, systematic review identified a group of medications, specifically anticholinergic medications, as a risk for cognitive and physical decline<sup>11,12</sup>. Anticholinergic burden was calculated using the Anticholinergic Cognitive Burden Scale (ACB) and examined as a predictor for all phenotypes.

#### Outcome Measures

Neuropsychological tests include the Mini-Mental State Examination (MMSE) as a test of general cognition and the Trail Making Test, Part A and B (TMT). Psychomotor speed is assessed using the TMT-A, scoring based on time in seconds to completion with a score range of 0 to 300 seconds<sup>13</sup>. The executive functioning domain was assessed using the TMT-B (any individual scoring 300-600 seconds were included as 300)<sup>13</sup>. TMT, part A and B cut off scores are based off of established norms for mild neurocognitive disorders<sup>14</sup>. Normative data for time to complete the TMT tests in seconds was stratified by age and education<sup>15</sup>. Additionally, the neuropsychological profile for individuals with cognitive frailty is different from those with frailty or cognitive decline alone with recent findings of lower performance on TMT tests, scoring worse on executive and attention domains<sup>16</sup>. The CES-D self-report scale (0-60) is used to measure depressive symptoms. Reliability, validity, and factor structure have been similar across a diverse demographic

and the scale has been used extensively in epidemiologic studies for depression and physical function<sup>17</sup>.

Frailty measures included the number of frailty symptoms for subjects  $\geq 65$  years of age. Frailty as defined by the cardiovascular health study (CHS), allows for a continuous scoring system versus a nominal system because it can capture the multidimensional nature of frailty<sup>18</sup>. The InCHIANTI criteria for frailty defined unintentional weight loss as losing weight not related to diet, classified the values of body mass index, strength, walking speed and height based on all subjects  $\geq 65$  years and used two questions of the CES-D for the definition of exhaustion.

In this study two models of cognitive frailty were developed, because conceptually the models need to cover variables of physical frailty and cognitive decline for populations seen in geriatric and primary care centers with implications for future clinical research and translation into practice. Primary care has a key role in early identification of cognitive and physical decline. The MMSE, despite known limitations for the diagnosis of dementia, has retained popularity in the primary care setting with increased use for screening and diagnosis and is recommended by the Alzheimer's Society<sup>19</sup>. *Model I* defines cognitive decline and cognitive frailty with the use of criteria from the MMSE while *Model II* defines these phenotypes with participants who have completed the MMSE with additional Trail Making Tests, Part A and B<sup>20-22</sup>. In this study frailty was characterized by individuals with one or more of the frailty criteria, including pre-frail and frail as one group<sup>1</sup>. Cognitive frailty is defined as individuals with cognitive decline and one or more of the frailty criteria<sup>16</sup>.

## Statistical Analysis

The supplementary appendix includes additional details of the statistical methods, beginning with detail about model development in the InCHIANTI dataset, which we used to train and test the initial model, internal validation, and calibration of the model. Evidence supports the use of tree boosting models using Extreme Gradient Boosting (xgboost) in R, statistical software, as an effective method for building a reproducible predictive model for the detection of a complex heterogeneous phenotype with large numbers of potential biomarkers<sup>23,24</sup>. Boosted trees, a machine learning technique for supervised learning, are ensembles of regression trees, similar to decision trees and are used for prediction or classification. Xgboost is based in boosted trees and provides more efficient and accurate predictive modeling with large datasets and a rapid / robust framework for feature selection. Statistical modeling is used to design, test, and validate an accurate method for classifying patients into phenotypic outcomes.

The tree boosting model for the evaluation of multiple variables simultaneously provides a high predictive value with low bias. Additionally, parameters are set to prevent over fitting for the models. The data were randomly divided, two thirds was assigned to the training cohort, and one third was assigned to the validation cohort. One of the features that is central to xgboost is its ability to combine multiple trees or “weak predictors” to reach maximum prediction performance while reducing bias. This approach uses large amounts of data from different aspects of clinical, genetic, and biomarker research, strengthening the models’ generalizability and classification power. Xgboost iteratively re-weighs the variables, taking a weighted majority; the parameters

identified after pruning comprised the final predictive model<sup>25</sup>. None of the candidate features in the models are used in the diagnosis of cognitive decline, physical frailty, or cognitive frailty. This standard technique prevents circularity, overestimation, and over fitting for both the models generated. Parameters for the model include: max depth = "10", nthread = "12", nrounds = 5-200, objective = "binary:logistic", evaluation metric = "auc", silent = "1", gamma = default = "0" to control the number of trees, and eta default = "0.3" to prevent over fitting. We used the default setting for all other parameters which can be found in the xgboost 0.6 documentation<sup>24</sup>.

To evaluate the models, we used the evaluation metric area under the receiver operating curve (AUC). AUC were calculated from each model and used to determine discrimination of participants with cognitive frailty (case), cognitive decline (case), and physical frailty (case) from healthy individuals (control) in the training cohort. An AUC of 0.5 was considered chance, > 0.8 informative, and > 0.9 clinically relevant.

The xgboost algorithm iteratively determines the maximum function of a model based on a tree building algorithm (quadratic problem) which creates a node then assigns a prediction point to each leaf; the assigned number is termed "gain". Once the model has reached maximum depth, pruning occurs by taking out the nodes with a negative gain and keeping those with a positive gain. Results from the population predictive model are ranked by gain which is a metric based on each feature's contribution in the model. When comparing top features to other features in the model, the higher the gain the more important the feature is for prediction of the outcome. Cover is a measure of the relative quantity of observations found by one feature and frequency is the percentage

representing the relative number of time a feature is used in the trees of the model<sup>24</sup>.

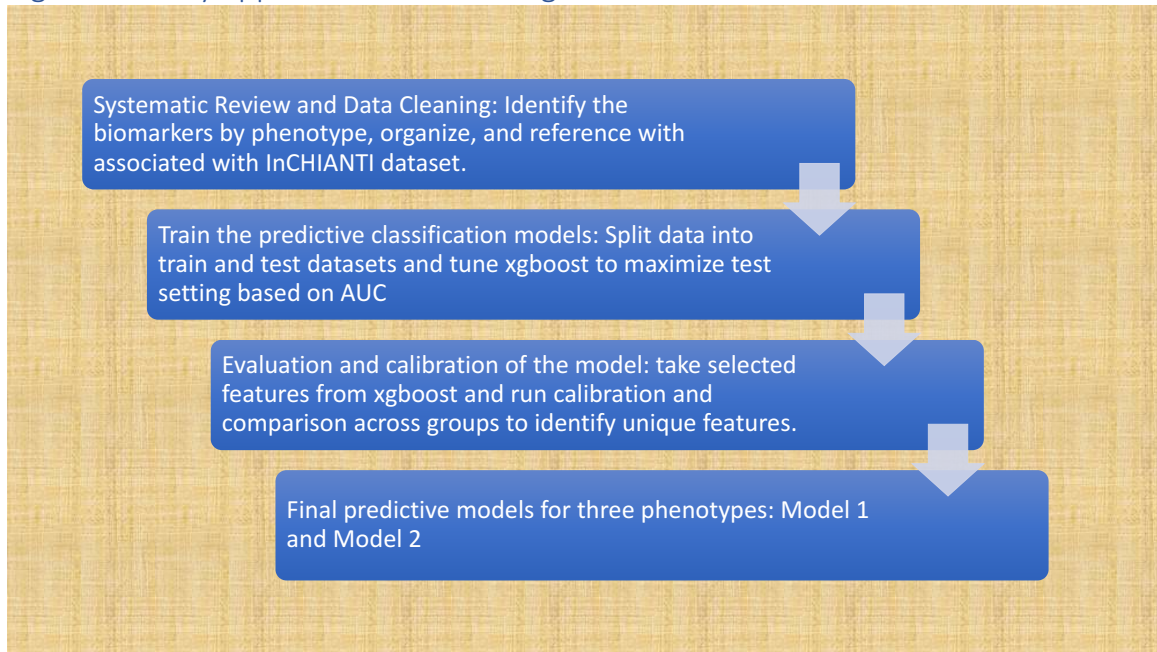
Gain is the most relevant metric to interpreting the rank and importance of each feature.

A case-control design is used to study genome wide variations between participants with cognitive frailty (case) and those with only cognitive decline (control), only physical frailty (control), and healthy individuals (control). Univariate analysis, *t*-tests for continuous and chi-squared tests for binomial traits, were used to determine the significance of the predictor. We used logistic regression for case-control analyses under additive allele dosage. To evaluate additive effects of SNPs, a positive regression coefficient means that each copy of the allele of interest increases the risk for the cognitive frailty phenotype<sup>26,27</sup>. The appendix includes further details and results about the generation of the genetic data and creation of the GRS from 132 genetic risk factors implicated in one or more studies from the systematic review. Our study used the high-performance computational capabilities of the Biowulf Linux cluster at the National Institutes of Health (Bethesda, MD, USA) in the and genotypic data from the InCHIANTI study.

The final models identified features that were predictive of cognitive frailty with unique features for cognitive decline and physical frailty. Mechanisms that contribute to the development of cognitive frailty were determined by evaluation of fluid biomarkers and genome wide genetic variability as a predictor of the development and persistence of cognitive frailty.



Figure 1. Study approach workflow diagram



Note: Profile of model development and validation workflow. Blue boxes indicate steps of the workflow specific to the InCHIANTI data set.

## Results

A total of 1,453 adults participated, 1,326 provided blood samples at baseline.

Participants had a mean age of 69 years (S.D.=15.7), 56% were female and 44% were male, and completed a secondary level of education. All participants completed the MMSE, 369 participants scored  $\leq 23$  ( $M=25$ , S.D.=5.1), 525 scored  $\geq 78$  on the TMT-A ( $n=1,240$ ), and 634 scored  $\geq 106$  on the TMT-B ( $n=1,057$ ).

The supplementary appendix (tables IV-IX) contains the tables for final predictive model features ranked by gain. The results show predictive features for cognitive frailty when measured using the MMSE (Model 1) and TMT part A and B (Model II) with unique features for cognitive decline and physical frailty in both models. Bivariate results for clinical, genomic, and protein biomarkers are shown in the appendix (tables X - XVIII).

For discrimination of participants with cognitive frailty from healthy controls, the AUC of Model I is 0.877 (95% CI 0.825-0.903) and 0.864 (95% CI 0.804-0.899) for Model II. Parameter estimates for each predictive factor and associated descriptive statistics were evaluated to provide biological insight into the underpinnings of the classification algorithm. Next, we carried out calibration tests for all possible values between 5-200 groups and evaluated the distribution of the test statistics per subgrouping. We noted a normal distribution of AUCs across all iterations, with no statistically significant deviation from the expected values in any group, suggesting good model fit. Both models showed high accuracy with AUCs ranging from 0.808-0.877 for model I and 0.831-0.864 model II within the framework of the calibration tests.

Demographic features and anticholinergic burden results are shown in Table 5-6 and significant differences between healthy control and phenotype are shown in Table 10 of the supplementary appendix. Gender was a predictor for all three phenotypes in Model I but not a predictor in Model II. There were more females than males with cognitive decline for all three phenotypes in both models. Baseline diagnosis of dementia, while found to be a predictor in Model I for frailty and cognitive frailty was not a predictor in Model II. Anticholinergic burden (ACB) was a predictor for all three phenotypes in both models with larger ACB mean scores for those with cognitive decline, frailty, and cognitive frailty. In Model II, anticholinergic burden had a significant effect on both psychomotor speed (TMT-A) and executive functioning (TMT-B) for all three phenotypes. Anticholinergic burden was found to be one of the top predictors for all phenotypes in model I and II. Detailed analyses for anticholinergic burden are described

elsewhere and included in the results tables of this manuscript (Sargent et al., 2018 in manuscript 4).

#### Genomic results

Table 1 and 2 shows the comparison of genomic features by phenotype for Model I and Model II respectively.

#### Model I

Ten genes were predictive of cognitive frailty measured by the MMSE and CHS criteria; four genes are unique to cognitive frailty: (*BIN1*) rs7561528 allele A ( $\beta = -.04$ ), *ACE* rs4968782 allele G ( $\beta = .10$ ), and *WTAPP1* rs603050 allele G ( $\beta = -.14$ ), *MTRR* rs1801394 allele G ( $\beta = .80$ ) and six overlap with features associated with cognitive decline and frailty: *IL6* rs1800796 allele C ( $\beta = .25$ ), (*ACOT11*) rs12752888 allele C ( $\beta = -.47$ ), *DAB1* rs1539053 allele A ( $\beta = .51$ ), (*MMP3*) rs948399 allele C ( $\beta = .41$ ), *CD33* rs3865444 allele A ( $\beta = .62$ ), and *UBR5* rs7840202 allele C ( $\beta = -.15$ ). Of these markers five showed a significant difference between control and cognitive frailty: (*ACOT11*) rs12752888 ( $p = .001$ ), *DAB1* rs1539053 ( $p = .01$ ), (*MMP3*) rs948399 ( $p = .01$ ), *CD33* rs3865444 ( $p = .03$ ), and *MTRR* rs1801394 ( $p = .001$ ).

Four SNPs were uniquely associated with frailty: *CNTN5* rs10501927 allele G ( $\beta = -.10$ ), *WTAPP1* rs11225434 allele C ( $\beta = .10$ ), *SORL1* rs4935774 allele C ( $\beta = .04$ ), and *CREBBP* rs129968 allele A ( $\beta = .10$ ) Eight SNPs are unique to cognitive decline *BTRC* rs10883631 allele G ( $\beta = .11$ ), *TOMM40* rs2075650 allele G ( $\beta = .10$ ), *IL6R* rs2228145 allele C ( $\beta = -.31$ ), *USP50* rs3131609 allele C ( $\beta = .10$ ), *COMT* rs4646316 allele T ( $\beta = -.62$ ), *AP2A2* rs7396366 allele C ( $\beta = .10$ ), *KLOTHO* rs9527025 allele C ( $\beta = .20$ ).

## Model II

Individual variants were predictive for psychomotor speed (TMT-A) and executive functioning domain (TMT-B). Significant differences between control and disease are shown in appendix (tables XVI - XVIII).

Twenty-one genes were predictive of cognitive frailty measured by TMT and CHS criteria in model II; eight are unique to cognitive frailty *ACE* rs4316 allele T (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.07, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.06), *ACE* rs1800764 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta$  = .06, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .06), *EPHA1* rs11771145 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.10, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .13), *CREBBP* rs129968 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta$  = .05, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .03), *TNF* rs1800629 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta$  = .15, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .10), *IL18* rs360722 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta$  = .05, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.02), *WTAPP1* rs603050 allele T (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.21, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.10), and *SELP* rs6131 allele T (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.07, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.03).

Thirteen of the cognitive frailty genetic features overlap with variants from cognitive decline and frailty: (*MMP3*) rs948399 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta$  = .29, TMT-B  $\beta$  = 0.02), (*ACOT11*) rs12752888 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.34, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.37), *APOE* rs429358 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.23, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.59), *SLCO1B1* rs4363657 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta$  = .20, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .38), *TOMM40* rs8106922 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.31, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .09), *CNTN5* rs10501927 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.11, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.06), *SORL1* rs1614735 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta$  = .02, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .07), *IL1-beta* rs16944 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.01, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.13), *ACE* rs4343 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.02, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.02), (*SSB*) rs11894266 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.05, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.06), *UBR5* rs7840202 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.06, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.05), *MAPT* rs3785880 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.06, TMT-B  $\beta$  = -.05), *BTRC* rs10883631 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta$  = -.01, TMT-B  $\beta$  = .01).

Of these markers five showed a significant difference between control and cognitive frailty for psychomotor speed or executive functioning: (*ACOT11*) rs12752888 allele C (TMT-A,  $p = .01$ , TMT-B  $p = .02$ ), *APOE* rs429358 allele C (TMT-B,  $p = .01$ ), *SLCO1B1* rs4363657 allele C (TMT-B,  $p = .02$ ), *TOMM40* rs8106922 allele G (TMT-A,  $p = .05$ ), (*MMP3*) rs948399 allele C (TMT-A,  $p = .05$ ).

Frailty has one unique SNP: *NECTIN2* rs6859 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta = -.02$ , TMT-B  $\beta = -0.07$ ). and cognitive decline has eleven unique SNPs: *KCNU1* rs1157242 allele T (TMT-A  $\beta = .13$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .44$ ), *SORL1* rs1133174 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta = .05$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .02$ ), *KLOTHO* rs1207568 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta = -.05$ , TMT-B  $\beta = -.18$ ), *GCKR* rs1260326 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta = .02$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .08$ ), *COMT* rs4680 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta = -.02$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .06$ ), *SORL1* rs4935774 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta = .11$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .05$ ), *ATM* rs611646 allele T (TMT-A  $\beta = .08$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .04$ ), *MS4A4E* rs676309 allele C (TMT-A  $\beta = -.07$ , TMT-B  $\beta = -.17$ ), *SLC2A9* rs737267 allele T (TMT-A  $\beta = .10$ , TMT-B  $\beta = -.08$ ), *TCN2* rs740234 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta = -.02$ , TMT-B  $\beta = -.10$ ), (*BIN1*) rs744373 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta = .01$ , TMT-B  $\beta = -.15$ ). Cognitive decline and frailty have three shared SNPs that were not features for cognitive frailty *PRNP* rs1799990 allele G (TMT-A  $\beta = .45$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .30$ ), *CR1* rs3818361 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta = .20$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .14$ ), and *ABCA7* rs4147929 allele A (TMT-A  $\beta = .02$ , TMT-B  $\beta = .03$ ).

#### Protein biomarker results

Tables III and IV shows a comparison of the protein markers by category and phenotype. Significant differences between control and cognitive frailty are shown in the supplementary appendix (Tables XI-XVIII). The results show a mean difference in the laboratory value between healthy controls and those with cognitive decline, physical

frailty, and cognitive frailty. In Model I and Model II, all phenotypes share features in all categories and each phenotype has unique features. Cognitive frailty in Model I has seven unique features transforming growth factor B1 and fatty acid 22:0 with a mean increase in cystatin C ( $p < 0.0001$ ), decrease serum calcium ( $p = .0004$ ), increase serum creatinine ( $p = .02$ ), increase urine nitrites ( $p = .02$ ), increase soluble transferrin receptor ( $p = .01$ ) for individuals with cognitive frailty compared to healthy controls. Cognitive frailty (Model I) shared 70 of the 91 features with frailty and 53 of the 93 protein fluid biomarkers features with cognitive decline. Cognitive frailty in Model II had only two unique features; urine glucose and serum IGF binding protein; IGF binding protein is decreased in individuals with cognitive frailty for psychomotor speed ( $p = .0001$ ) and executive functioning ( $p = .0004$ ). Cognitive frailty (Model 2) shared 70 of the 90 features with frailty and 82 of the 125 protein fluid biomarkers features with cognitive decline.

## Discussion

In this study, we developed two models using xgboost for the prediction of cognitive frailty and further defined the association between cognitive decline and frailty. Both models have a larger population of women with older age being associated with cognitive frailty. Anticholinergic burden was highly predictive of cognitive frailty and is found as a unique predictive feature of frailty and cognitive decline in both models.

Genomic results suggest that Model I and Model II are measuring different variants. Model I has unique genomic features *DAB1* rs1539053 allele A, *CD33* rs3865444 allele A, and *MTRR* rs1801394 allele G, as predictive of cognitive frailty. *CD33* has putative functions in the immune system involved in processes at the cell membrane with links

to greater cell surface expression of monocytes and is considered an Alzheimer's disease susceptibility loci<sup>28</sup>. *DAB1* is required for the organization of multiple neuronal types in the cerebral cortex and is important for normal cognitive function<sup>29,30</sup>. *MTRR* rs1801394 is a marker for vitamin B12 in a pathway with methylmalonic acid (MMA) levels<sup>31</sup>. Lower serum MMA leads to higher serum lipids and higher homocysteine levels potentially leading to reduced energy metabolism<sup>31</sup>. All three of these protein markers were found in the cognitive frailty model I. Additionally, *MTRR* has been linked to 2-4 times greater odd of being frail.

One of the interesting genomic findings was *SLCO1B1* rs4363657 allele C that is predictive of frailty and cognitive frailty in Model II. The *SLCO1B1* has been associated with X12063 which is a metabolite, both are associated as markers of lean muscle mass loss<sup>32</sup>. Additionally, *SLOCO1B1* has been linked to drug metabolism specifically, higher blood concentrations of statins<sup>33</sup>. *SLOCO1B1* is essential for the hepatic uptake and the C variant is associated with reduced *OATP1B1* activity. *OATP1B1* can facilitate drug uptake and at the blood-brain barrier may affect the distribution of drugs into the central nervous system<sup>34</sup>. The association with anticholinergic metabolism and *SLOCO1B1* has not been explored. Variants in model I and II included *MMP3* and (*ACOT11*). *MMP3* rs948399 allele C is predictive of frailty and cognitive decline and (*ACOT11*), rs12752888 allele C is a member of the acyl-CoA thioesterase family that catalyzes the conversion of activated fatty acids<sup>35</sup>. In this study (*ACOT11*) rs12752888 allele C was found to have a protective effect. (*ACOT11*) rs12752888 has not been studied in individuals with physical frailty or cognitive frailty previously.



Protein marker results show a relationship between neuroinflammatory cytokines and cognitive frailty. Neuroinflammatory cytokines (nonantibody proteins) have a role in the neuroimmunoendocrine processes and have been postulated to be related to cognition due to their ability to penetrate the blood-brain barrier and affect the central nervous system<sup>1</sup>. This study found elevated levels of neuroinflammatory cytokines with interleukins IL1, IL6, IL6R, and tumor necrosis factors (TNF) as predictive features for cognitive frailty in both models along with associated genetic markers: *IL6* rs1800796, *IL6R* rs2228145, *TNF* rs1800629, and *IL1-beta* rs16944. Additionally, participants with cognitive frailty had higher levels of resistin ( $p < .0001$ ) compared to controls in both models; resistin regulates IL-6, TNF, and hs-CRP<sup>2</sup>. Both fibrinogen and advanced glycation end product (AGE) ( $p < .0001$ ) were both found to be elevated showing a link to oxidative stress and high levels of alpha-2 globulin (A2M) ( $p < .0001$ ). A2M is considered a protease inhibitor cytokine transporter linked to Alzheimer's disease was found in participants with cognitive frailty<sup>3</sup>. Several studies have shown a relationship between many of these neuroinflammatory markers and cognitive and physical decline<sup>5,6</sup>. In this study, we found many of these markers to be predictive for both cognitive decline and physical frailty. Additionally, these patterns of neuroinflammatory cytokines have been found in the InCHIANTI study to be associated with other complex chronic disease highlighting comorbidity as a confounding factor<sup>4</sup>.

Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (DHEA) was found to be low for those with cognitive frailty when compared to control ( $p < 0.001$ ). DHEA has been found to inhibit IL-6 providing a connection between endocrine and immune function. Another interesting

finding is the connection between nutrition and cognitive frailty with low fatty acid levels and high levels of c- terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen I (PINP) and parathyroid hormone (PTH). Both PINP and PTH have been linked to low levels of vitamin D which was a finding in this study for participants with cognitive frailty<sup>7</sup>. Methymlalonic acid (MMA) is linked to vitamin B12 and high levels of homocysteine found in both models ( $p < .0001$ ) in addition, *MTRR* rs1801394 is associated with the same pathway. Serum MMA has been link to both cognitive performance and increased risk for frailty<sup>8,9</sup>.

Metabolomic (ceramides C16:0, C20:0, C20:5, C22:0, C24:0) markers were found in both models, some markers were found to be elevated and others low for participants with cognitive frailty. Since this study evaluated individuals with early cognitive decline at a single time point it is possible that serum ceramides varied according to the timing and onset of memory impairment and need to be explored further<sup>10,11</sup>.

Cognitive frailty model I (n=101) and II n=110) feature comparison show a difference some biomarkers however, there were 66 shared biomarkers; 58 protein, 4 genomic, and 4 clinical markers. Some differences in the model features suggest lack of concordance between the clinical measures MMSE and TMT part A and B. These observations highlight the fact that pathways between clinical decision tools and precision science are not strictly linear in nature. When comparing models I and II for all phenotypes less variability with fewer unique features and more shared mechanisms.

There are several potential genomic and protein biomarker interactions, which are not fully explored in this manuscript. We did not attempt to complete a comprehensive

pathway analysis for the variables in the predictive models. The exploratory nature of this work will encourage new research into understanding these pathways. The study included a small homogenous sample with large numbers of biomarkers creating limitations for translation into clinical research. Additionally, the study was retrospective using existing data. Future research should be directed towards understanding the potentially reversible cause of cognitive frailty, validating the models in epidemiological data with more diverse demographic groups, and exploring the predictive features in prospective studies.

#### Conclusion

The results from this study support the use of an innovative Boosted trees machine learning technique in developing a population based predictive model for a complex condition of aging, cognitive frailty. Results provide biological evidence for the relationship between cognitive decline and physical frailty supporting findings of dysregulation across multiple systems as the potential cause of cognitive frailty. The results from this study begin to unravel the complex biological network behind the association between cognitive decline and physical frailty.

Table I. Genomic features by phenotype model I

| SNP        | Associated Allele | Chromosome | Gene                       | Cognitive Decline | Frailty Genomic | Cognitive Frailty |
|------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| rs10883631 | G                 | 10         | BTRC                       | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs12752888 | C                 | 1          | <b>ACOT11/LOC105378734</b> | X                 |                 | X                 |
| rs1539053  | A                 | 1          | DAB1                       | X                 | X               | X                 |
| rs1800796  | C                 | 7          | IL6                        | X                 |                 | X                 |
| rs2075650  | G                 | 19         | TOMM40                     | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs2228145  | C                 | 1          | IL6R                       | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs3131609  | C                 | 15         | USP50                      | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs4646316  | T                 | 22         | COMT                       | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs7396366  | C                 | 11         | AP2A2                      | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs948399   | C                 | 11         | <b>MMP3</b>                | X                 | X               | X                 |
| rs9527025  | C                 | 13         | Klotho                     | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs10501927 | G                 | 11         | CNTN5                      |                   | X               |                   |
| rs11225434 | C                 | 11         | WTAPP1                     |                   | X               |                   |
| rs129968   | A                 | 16         | CREBBP                     |                   | X               |                   |
| rs3865444  | A                 | 19         | CD33                       |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs4935774  | C                 | 11         | SORL1                      |                   | X               |                   |
| rs7840202  | C                 | 8          | UBR5                       |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs1801394  | G                 | 5          | MTRR                       |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs4968782  | G                 | 17         | <b>ACE</b>                 |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs603050   | T                 | 11         | WTAPP1                     |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs7561528  | A                 | 2          | <b>BIN1/LOC105373605</b>   |                   |                 | X                 |

Note: bold text indicates the closes gene

Table II. Genomic features by phenotype model II

| SNP        | Associated Allele | Chromosome | Gene                       | Cognitive Decline | Frailty Genomic | Cognitive Frailty |
|------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| rs10501927 | G                 | 11         | CNTN5                      | X                 | X               | X                 |
| rs1133174  | A                 | 11         | SORL1                      | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs1157242  | T                 | 8          | <b>KCNU1</b>               | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs1207568  | A                 | 13         | Klotho                     | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs1260326  | C                 | 2          | GCKR                       | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs12752888 | C                 | 1          | <b>ACOT11/LOC105378734</b> | X                 | X               | X                 |
| rs1614735  | G                 | 11         | SORL1                      | X                 |                 | X                 |
| rs16944    | A                 | 2          | IL-1beta                   | X                 |                 | X                 |
| rs1799990  | G                 | 20         | PRNP                       | X                 | X               |                   |
| rs3818361  | A                 | 1          | CR1                        | X                 | X               |                   |
| rs4147929  | A                 | 19         | ABCA7                      | X                 | X               |                   |
| rs4343     | A                 | 1          | ACE                        | X                 |                 | X                 |
| rs4680     | A                 | 22         | COMT                       | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs4935774  | C                 | 11         | SORL1                      | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs611646   | T                 | 11         | ATM                        | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs676309   | C                 | 11         | MS4A4E                     | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs737267   | T                 | 4          | SLC2A9                     | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs740234   | G                 | 22         | TCN2                       | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs744373   | G                 | 2          | <b>BIN1</b>                | X                 |                 |                   |
| rs948399   | C                 | 11         | <b>MMP3</b>                | X                 | X               | X                 |
| rs429358   | C                 | 19         | APOE                       |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs11894266 | C                 | 2          | <b>SSB</b>                 |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs8106922  | G                 | 19         | TOMM40                     |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs7840202  | C                 | 8          | UBR5                       |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs3785880  | G                 | 17         | MAPT                       |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs10883631 | G                 | 10         | BTRC                       |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs4363657  | C                 | 12         | SLCO1B1                    |                   | X               | X                 |
| rs6859     | A                 | 19         | NECTIN2                    |                   | X               |                   |
| rs11771145 | A                 | 7          | EPHA1                      |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs129968   | A                 | 16         | CREBBP                     |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs1800629  | A                 | 6          | TNF                        |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs1800764  | C                 | 17         | ACE                        |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs360722   | A                 | 11         | IL-18                      |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs4316     | T                 | 17         | ACE                        |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs603050   | T                 | 11         | WTAPP1                     |                   |                 | X                 |
| rs6131     | T                 | 1          | SELP                       |                   |                 | X                 |

Note: bold text indicates the closes gene

Table III. Protein and clinical features by phenotype model I

|   | Cognitive Decline | Frailty | Cognitive Frailty |
|---|-------------------|---------|-------------------|
| <b>Clinical Features</b>  |                   |         |                   |
| Age   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Anticholinergic Burden  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Depression  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Gender  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Level of Education  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Baseline Diagnosis of Dementia  |                   | X       | X                 |
| <b>Inflammatory/Immunity</b>  |                   |         |                   |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (Åµg/24 hours)                                       | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Urinary cortisol (Åµg/mL)   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Adiponectin via RIA (Åµg/mL)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (based on nmols)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (Åµg/dL)                                       | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (Åµmol/L)                                      | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-10 via ELISA (pg/mL)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Interleukin-12 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)                  | X                 |         |                   |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                                | X                 | X       |                   |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Serum cortisol (Åµg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Soluble IL-6 receptor via ELISA (ng/mL)                                       | X                 | X       |                   |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                | X                 | X       | X                 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)                                 | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL)             |                   | X       | X                 |
| Beta globulins (%)  |                   | X       | X                 |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (Åµg/mL)                                |                   | X       | X                 |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)                                |                   | X       | X                 |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)                                |                   | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)            |                   | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)  |                   | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-8 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)  |                   | X       |                   |
| Macrophage inflammatory protein-1b via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                       |                   | X       | X                 |
| Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                       |                   | X       | X                 |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  |                   | X       | X                 |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)               |                   | X       | X                 |
| Tumor necrosis factor-a via multiplex technology (pg/mL)                      |                   | X       | X                 |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   |                   |         | X                 |
| Transforming growth factor-B1 (pg/mL)   |                   |         | X                 |
| <b>Renal/Electrolyte</b>  |                   |         |                   |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)                                      | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)                                 | X                 | X       |                   |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (Åµg/24 hours)                                       |                   | X       |                   |
| Na+ (mEq/L)   |                   | X       |                   |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  |                   | X       | X                 |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  |                   | X       | X                 |
| Ca++ (mg/dL)  |                   |         | X                 |
| Serum creatinine (mg/dL)  |                   |         | X                 |
| Urine nitrites  |                   |         | X                 |
| <b>Nutrient Biomarker</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| Albumin (%)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (Åµmol/L)            | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography (Åµmol/L)                 | X                 | X       |                   |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                             |                   | X       | X                 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area                        | X                 |         |                   |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid mols                        | X                 |         |                   |
| Total proteins (g/dL)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, (Åµmol/L) | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                 |                   | X       | X                 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, (Åµmol/L) |                   | X       | X                 |

|   | Cognitive Decline | Frailty | Cognitive Frailty |
|---|-------------------|---------|-------------------|
| <b>Hematology/Liver</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| Ferritin (ng/mL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| GPT (also known as ALT) (U/L)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| Lymphocytes (n, K/ $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ L)   | X                 |         |                   |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH) (pg)  | X                 |         |                   |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Methylmalonic acid MMA ( $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ mol/L)"                              | X                 |         |                   |
| Monocytes (%)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/ $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ L)                        | X                 |         |                   |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/ $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ L)                             | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Hematocrit (%)  |                   | X       |                   |
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)   |                   | X       | X                 |
| Lymphocytes (%)   |                   | X       | X                 |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)  |                   | X       | X                 |
| Mean platelet volume (MPV) (fL)   |                   | X       | X                 |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA ( $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ mol/L)                              |                   | X       |                   |
| Monocytes (n, K/ $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ L)   |                   | X       |                   |
| Neutrophils (%)   |                   | X       |                   |
| Neutrophils (n, K/ $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ L)   |                   | X       |                   |
| Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography ( $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ mol/L)   |                   | X       | X                 |
| Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/L)   |                   |         | X                 |
| <b>Lipid Metabolism</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| Lipids: triglycerides (mg/dL)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   |                   | X       | X                 |
| <b>Metabolomics(plasma lipids)</b>  |                   |         |                   |
| Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 ( $\hat{A}$ $\mu$ mol/L)                                     |                   | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:0 (arachidic) area   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                |                   | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                          | X                 |         | X                 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                            |                   | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 weight (mg/L)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                |                   |         | X                 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 (lignoceric) area  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                |                   | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 weight (mg/L)  |                   | X       |                   |
| <b>Endocrine/Hormones</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                             | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Free thyroxine, FT4 (ng/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected*** | X                 |         | X                 |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                 | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)                                      | X                 | X       | X                 |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                               |                   | X       | X                 |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  |                   | X       |                   |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)    |                   | X       | X                 |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  |                   | X       | X                 |

Table IV. Protein and clinical marker features by phenotype model II

|  | Cognitive Decline | Frailty | Cognitive Frailty |
|--|-------------------|---------|-------------------|
| <b>Clinical Features</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| Age  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Anticholinergic Burden   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Depression   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Level of Education   | X                 |         | X                 |
| <b>Inflammatory/Immunity</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{g}/24$ hours)                              | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Adiponectin via RIA ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ )                                 | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL)                      | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Beta globulins (%)   | X                 |         |                   |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ )               | X                 | X       | X                 |
| C-reactive protein - low sensitivity ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ )                | X                 |         |                   |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (based on nmols)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ )                      | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ )                     | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                     | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-10 via ELISA (pg/mL)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| Interleukin-12 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)                           | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Interleukin-8 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Macrophage inflammatory protein-1b via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                                | X                 | X       |                   |
| Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                                | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ ) | X                 |         |                   |
| Serum cortisol ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ )                                      | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Soluble IL-6 receptor via ELISA (ng/mL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| IL-6 high-sensitivity ELISA calculated from ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)               |                   | X       |                   |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                         | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | X                 | X       | X                 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Transforming growth factor-B1 (pg/mL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Tumor necrosis factor-a via multiplex technology (pg/mL)                               | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Urinary cortisol ( $\hat{A}\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ )                                    | X                 | X       | X                 |
| <b>Renal/Electrolyte</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Ca <sup>++</sup> (mg/dL)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Na <sup>+</sup> (mEq/L)  | X                 |         |                   |
| Serum creatinine (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Urine hemoglobin (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |

| Nutrient Biomarker  | Cognitive Decline | Frailty | Cognitive Frailty |
|---|-------------------|---------|-------------------|
| Albumin (%)   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (Åµmol/L)            | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography (Åµmol/L)                 | X                 |         | X                 |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                             | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight                           | X                 | X       |                   |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       | X                 | X       |                   |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                             | X                 | X       |                   |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid mols                             | X                 |         |                   |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight                           | X                 |         | X                 |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area                        | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid mols                        | X                 |         |                   |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                      | X                 | X       |                   |
| Total proteins (g/dL)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                 | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, (Åµmol/L) | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, (Åµmol/L) | X                 | X       | X                 |
| <b>Hematology/Liver</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| AST (U/L)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Ferritin (ng/mL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| GPT (also known as ALT) (U/L)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| Hematocrit (%)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Lymphocytes (n, K/ÅµL)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH) (pg)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA (Åµmol/L)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Monocytes (%)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Monocytes (n, K/ÅµL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Neutrophils (%)   | X                 |         | X                 |
| Neutrophils (n, K/ÅµL)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/ÅµL)                                       | X                 | X       |                   |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/L)   | X                 |         |                   |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/ÅµL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| <b>Lipid Metabolism</b>   |                   |         |                   |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| <b>Metabolomics(plasma lipids)</b>  |                   |         |                   |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C16:0 weight (mg/L)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area  |                   | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 (arachidic) area   | X                 |         |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid mols                                | X                 |         |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | X                 |         |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)  | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                            | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                          | X                 |         |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 cis (eicosapentaenoic, EPA) area                         | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  |                   | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C22:0 weight (mg/L)  | X                 |         | X                 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 (lignoceric) area  | X                 |         |                   |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | X                 | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                |                   | X       |                   |
| Fatty acid C24:0 weight (mg/L)  |                   | X       |                   |



**Endocrine/Hormones**

|   | Cognitive Decline | Frailty | Cognitive Frailty |
|---|-------------------|---------|-------------------|
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                               | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)   | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Urine glucose (mg/dL)   |                   |         | X                 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                             | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Free thyroxine, fT4 (ng/dL)   | X                 | X       |                   |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)                 | X                 |         |                   |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected*** |                   |         | X                 |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                 | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)  | X                 | X       | X                 |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)                                      | X                 |         | X                 |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)    | X                 | X       | X                 |

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#### MANUSCRIPT 4:

### Anticholinergic Burden is a Predictor of Cognitive Decline, Physical Frailty and Cognitive Frailty

#### Abstract:

**OBJECTIVES:** To investigate whether anticholinergic burden scores are associated with three phenotypes; cognitive decline, physical frailty and cognitive frailty.

**DESIGN:** Retrospective cohort study.

**SETTING:** InCHIANTI study, Chianti geographic area of Tuscany, Italy.

**PARTICIPANTS:** Population of 1,453 adults aged 20-102 years.

**MEASUREMENTS:** Anticholinergic burden was calculated using the Anticholinergic Cognitive Burden Scale (ACB); neuropsychological tests included the Mini-Mental Status Examination and Trail Making Test A and B (TMT); frailty is defined by the Cardiovascular Heart Study, and cognitive frailty is defined by the International Consensus Group (I.A.N.A/ I.A.G.G). Anticholinergic burden was examined as a predictor for all phenotypes using logistic and ordinal regression models adjusting for covariates.

**RESULTS:** Anticholinergic burden is associated with cognitive decline, frailty, and cognitive frailty. The odds of having cognitive decline increased by 1.21 points (95% CI = 1.06-1.37,  $p < .001$ ), the odds of being frail increased by 1.33 (95% CI = 1.18-1.50,  $p < .001$ ), and the odds of cognitive frailty increased by 1.36 (95% CI = 1.21-1.54,  $p < .001$ ). Population modeling results indicated the ACB score as one of the stronger predictors for cognitive decline, physical frailty and cognitive frailty with areas under the receiver operating curve of 0.88 and 0.86 respectively. Anticholinergic burden association with cognitive decline as measured by TMT adjusted for covariates was not significant; in

contrast the relationships of ACB with cognitive frailty measured by the TMT-A and TMT-B were statistically significant (both  $p < .001$ ).

CONCLUSION: Our data support a relationship between anticholinergic burden and cognitive decline, further strengthen the association with physical frailty and provide new evidence for an association with cognitive frailty.

Key words: anticholinergic; burden; frailty; cognition; cognitive frailty, xgboost models

## INTRODUCTION

The burden of multiple diseases perpetuates the increased consumption of medications.

Older adults are especially susceptible to polypharmacy and medication adverse risks due to declines in physiological reserve, reduced liver and kidney function required to metabolize medications and increased central nervous system sensitivity to medications<sup>1</sup>. A decline in physiologic reserve coupled with the use of anticholinergic medicines increases the risk for impaired functional and cognitive performance<sup>2-5</sup>.

Anticholinergic medications block the neurotransmitter acetylcholine in the central and peripheral nervous system, selectively blocking acetylcholine from binding to the muscarinic receptors in the brain<sup>6,7</sup>. Additionally, there is growing evidence that anticholinergic affect older adults in greater proportion due to the ability of these medications to permeate the blood-brain barrier<sup>2,8</sup>. Anticholinergic burden is considered to be the cumulative effect on an individual taking one or more medications with anticholinergic activity confounded by age-related pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic changes<sup>1,5,6</sup>. Higher anticholinergic burden can occur with specific medications known to have high anticholinergic activity or with an accumulation of

medications with low, medium, and high anticholinergic burden<sup>9,10</sup>. An increase in circulating anticholinergic activity causes inhibition of acetylcholine transmission to the central nervous system suggesting a cholinergic deficit that is hypothesized to be involved in causing impaired cognitive and motor function<sup>11</sup>. There are substantial differences in methods for measuring anticholinergic burden and no standard or consensus on how to quantify burden. Systematic reviews on the current anticholinergic burden scales have all shown an association between higher anticholinergic burden and adverse outcomes; cohort studies have mainly focused on cognitive and physical outcomes<sup>5,9</sup>.

Less understood is the effect anticholinergic burden has on physical frailty<sup>5</sup>. Although there is evidence to support the relationship between physical function and higher anticholinergic burden, the methods for measuring physical functioning have focused on activities of daily living (ADLs) and instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs) without controlling for confounding health factors contributing to the outcome<sup>5,9</sup>. Changes in ADLs and IDLs can be affected by multiple psychosocial and physiological factors that are not a direct measure of disease. A recent study found a significant association of anticholinergic burden with gait and impaired balance measured by the timed-up and go(TUG), functional reach(FR), and grip strength(GS) assessments<sup>12</sup>. Frailty as defined by the Cardiovascular Heart Study (CHS) is a disease process and a non-normal process of aging<sup>13</sup>. The CHS frailty phenotype includes decline in lean body mass, strength, endurance, balance, walking performance, and low activity<sup>13</sup>. Additionally, there is growing evidence for a shared relationship between cognitive decline and physical



frailty<sup>14-16</sup>. The International Consensus Group organized by the International Academy on Nutrition and Aging (I.A.N.A) and the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (I.A.G.G) which convened in 2013 to identify related domains of physical frailty and cognition, termed this relationship as “cognitive frailty”<sup>15</sup>.

Studies thus far have primarily used the Mini-Mental State Examination (MMSE) to measure cognitive decline which as a composite test does not capture distinct areas of cognitive function such as processing speed, attention, psychomotor speed, abstraction, flexibility, ability to execute and modify a plan of action<sup>17</sup>. The goal of this study was to use logistic and ordinal regression models to determine the relationship between anticholinergic burden and three phenotypes: cognitive decline defined by the MMSE and Trail Making Tests, part A and B, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty. Additionally, we included anticholinergic burden in a separate population based predictive model study to determine if anticholinergic burden is predictive of cognitive decline, frailty, and cognitive frailty. The population predictive model incorporates additional measures of disease such as protein and genomic biomarkers thereby evaluating ACB with confounding disease processes (Sargent et al., 2018 in preparation).

## METHODS

### Data

The subjects in the present study were participants in *Invecchiare in Chianti* (Aging in Chianti, “InCHIANTI Study”). InCHIANTI was a prospective population based study of 1,453 adults aged 20-102 randomly selected from two towns in Tuscany, Italy using a multistage stratified sampling at baseline from 1998 to 2000<sup>18</sup>. All aspects of the

InCHIANTI research were approved by the ethics committees at the institutions responsible for data collection, and this secondary study was approved by the ethics committee at *Centre de recherché Clinique du CHUS*, project #547. During the initial InCHIANTI baseline 90-minute interview, information was collected on demographic and clinical characteristics for the three phenotypes and baseline medications taken regularly in the prior 15 days to determine anticholinergic burden. The name of the drug, preparation and dosage were collected from medication boxes or bottles including over the counter vitamins, food supplements, sleeping pills, or laxatives. Initial medication information was converted from the brand name to the active ingredient.

#### Measures

For the current study, a total of 2,883 baseline medications were used to analyze the anticholinergic burden effect on 1,155 individuals  $\geq 65$  years of age with cognitive decline, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty. Currently, there are 7 expert-based anticholinergic rating scales for which quantification of the tool is based on expert opinion, and published data, and includes both genders with a mean age of 65 years or older<sup>4,9</sup>. The Anticholinergic Cognitive Burden (ACB) scale is the most validated scale for evaluating adverse health outcomes including cognitive and physical function<sup>4,10</sup>. The anticholinergic properties of each medication were quantified using the ACB scale based on each drug's serum anticholinergic activity<sup>19</sup>. To determine ACB scores, each participants' medications were assigned points (0, 1, 2, 3) according to the published 2012 update and summed for a total anticholinergic burden score. Higher scores indicate higher anticholinergic properties. An example of medications with ACB scores

include: Amitriptyline = 3, Amantadine = 2, and Atenolol = 1. The ACB scale has identified medications with anticholinergic properties that have correlated with a 0.33-point decline in the MMSE score over 2 years<sup>20</sup>. The neuropsychological tests included the MMSE as a test of general cognition and Trail Making Test, part A and B (TMT). The TMT testing was included to further explore distinct areas of cognitive function. TMT-A is used to assess psychomotor speed; scoring is based on time in seconds to completion with a score range of 0 to 300 seconds<sup>21</sup>. TMT-B is used to assess the executive functioning domain (any individual time over the limit of 300-600 seconds was included as 300)<sup>21</sup>. Normative data for time to complete the TMT tests in seconds is stratified by age and education<sup>22</sup>. Additionally, the neuropsychological profile for individuals with cognitive frailty is considered to be different from those with frailty or cognitive decline alone with recent findings of lower performance on TMT tests<sup>22,23</sup>. The Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression Scale (CES-D) self-report scale was used to measure depressive symptoms. The CES-D has been used extensively in epidemiologic studies for depression and physical function displaying similar reliability, validity, and factor structure across a diverse demographic<sup>24</sup>.

Frailty measures included the number of frailty symptoms with performance test data. Frailty as defined by the cardiovascular health study (CHS), allows for a continuous scoring system versus a nominal system because it can capture the multidimensional nature of frailty<sup>14</sup>. The components have concurrent and predictive validity with hazard ratios (HR) ranging from 1.82-4.46 ( $p < 0.05$ ) for outcomes that include incident disease, hospitalization, falls, disability and mortality in community-dwelling older adults<sup>13</sup>. The

InCHIANTI criteria for frailty defined unintentional weight loss as losing weight not related to diet, classified the values of body mass index, strength, walking speed and height based on all subjects  $\geq 65$  years and used two questions of the CES-D for the definition of exhaustion.

#### Phenotypic Classification

The MMSE score and the TMT part A and B was used to define two phenotypic classifications for cognitive decline and cognitive frailty. All participants completed the MMSE to define cognitive decline and cognitive frailty. Absence of cognitive decline is defined as a score of 24-30 on the education adjusted MMSE<sup>25-27</sup>. Frailty is characterized by individuals with one or more of the Frailty criteria<sup>13</sup>. Cognitive frailty is defined as individuals with cognitive decline and one or more of the frailty criteria<sup>23</sup>.

- Robust with no physical frailty and absence of cognitive decline
- Robust with no physical frailty with cognitive decline (MMSE =  $\leq 23$ )
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criterion) and absence of cognitive decline
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criterion) and cognitive decline (MMSE =  $\leq 23$ )

Additional phenotypic classification included mild, moderate, or severe disease defined by the MMSE to characterize 24-30 as normal cognition, a score of 23-18 as moderate cognitive decline (combined mild and moderate degree of impairment), and a score  $\leq 17$  as cognitive impairment<sup>25,26</sup>. Frailty is characterized by the CHS criteria cut offs and cognitive frailty is defined as individuals with both criteria<sup>13</sup>.

- Robust with no physical frailty and absence of cognitive decline
- Robust with no physical frailty with mild cognitive decline (MMSE = 18-23)
- Robust with no physical frailty with cognitive impairment (MMSE =  $\leq 17$ )
- Pre-frail (1-2 criteria) and absence of cognitive decline
- Frail ( $\geq 3$  criteria) and absence of cognitive decline

- Pre-frail (1-2 criteria) and with mild cognitive decline (MMSE = 18-23)
- Frail ( $\geq 3$  criteria) and with mild cognitive decline (MMSE = 18-23)
- Pre-frail (1-2 criteria) and cognitive impairment (MMSE =  $\leq 17$ )
- Frail ( $\geq 3$  criteria) and cognitive impairment (MMSE =  $\leq 17$ )

Additional neuropsychological testing (TMT-A and B) was used to define cognitive decline and as part of the definition of cognitive frailty<sup>23</sup>. TMT-A and B cut off scores for cognitive decline are based on cut off norms established by Ashendorf et al., 2008.

- Robust with no physical frailty and absence of cognitive decline
- Robust with no physical frailty with Cognitive Decline (both Trail A  $\geq 78$  and Trail B  $\geq 106$ )
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criterion) and Cognitive Decline (both Trail A  $\geq 78$  and Trail B  $\geq 106$ )
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criterion) and Cognitive Decline (both Trail A  $\geq 78$  and Trail B  $\geq 106$ )

Numbers of participants were insufficient for statistical analysis to include cognitive decline or cognitive frailty categorized into levels of mild, moderate, and severe phenotype with the TMT.

#### Statistical Analyses

We used logistic and ordinal regression to investigate the relationship between anticholinergic burden and all three outcomes. Covariates were selected to control for potential confounding effects. Demographic covariates included gender, age, and level of education. Disease processes considered as confounders included baseline diagnosis of: baseline dementia (n=82), vascular dementia (n=41), depression (n=412), and Parkinson's disease (n=16) and were included in the models as binary covariates.

In addition to the logistic and ordinal regression, ACB score was included in separate population based predictive model analyses with 298 additional predictors; these

included protein, clinical, and genetic markers of disease. Modeling of the dynamic interactions between confounding disease processes determined the strength of the relationship and predictive value for anticholinergic burden and disease outcome. Predictive modeling via ensemble learning using xgboost allowed for better accuracy by building multiple models, each of which learns to improve upon the errors of a prior model producing a final model that reflects the complex interactions between biological processes (i.e., protein and genetic biomarkers) on cognitive decline and frailty. Parameters for the xgboost model included a stepsize eta of = "0.3", rounds = 5-200, max depth = "10", nthread = "12", objective = "binary:logistic", evaluation metric = "auc", gamma = default = "0" to control the number of trees and prevent overfitting<sup>28</sup>. Details on the population predictive model results and statistical methods beginning with model development in the InCHIANTI dataset used to train and test classifiers, complete internal validation, and calibration of the model are available in a separate publication (Sargent et al., 2018 in preparation). Bivariate analyses included non-parametric Kruskal-Wallis t-tests to assess differences between groups; medians and maximum quantiles are reported for healthy controls and three phenotypes. Next, Bonferroni correction was conducted to adjusted for multiple comparisons; adjusted p-values are reported. All statistical analyses were carried out using R V. 3.2.1.. R packages included 'glm2'-Fitting Generalized Linear Models, 'Ordinal'-Regression Models for Ordinal Data, and 'xgboost'-Extreme Gradient Boosting<sup>28-30</sup>.

## RESULTS

Medication data was complete for 1,155 participants; table 1 describes the characteristics of the participants by phenotype and the percent of individuals with a total daily ACB score, which ranged from 0-9. Distribution of anticholinergic burden score by phenotype and differences between health control and phenotype are shown in Table 2. Tables displaying results for the top predictive features from the xgboost predictive modeling study are published elsewhere (Sargent et al., 2018 in preparation)

There was a significant association between anticholinergic burden and cognitive decline ( $p = 0.02$ ), frailty ( $p < .001$ ) and cognitive frailty ( $p < .001$ ). Additionally, the odds of having cognitive decline increased by 1.21 points (95% CI = 1.06-1.37,  $p < .001$ ), the odds of being frail increased by 1.33 (95% CI = 1.18-1.50,  $p < .001$ ), and odds of cognitive frailty increased by 1.36 (95% CI = 1.21-1.54,  $p < .001$ ). Model fit for all three phenotypes using the Wald chi-square test statistic was associated with a p-value of  $< .001$ , indicating that the overall effect rank was significant. Logistic and ordinal regression results are presented in Table 3 and 4. Results from the population predictive model are ranked by gain, which is a metric based on each feature's contribution in the model. When comparing top features to other features in the model, the greater the gain the more important the feature is for prediction of the outcome. Anticholinergic burden was the top 4% predictor out of 105, 14% of 101, and 70% of 93 selected features during the classifier build, with AUCs ranging from 0.81-0.88 for the outcomes frailty, cognitive frailty, and cognitive decline respectively measured with the MMSE (Sargent et al., 2018 in preparation).

Similarly, there was a significant association found between ACB score and cognitive decline when measured with the TMT-A and TMT-B without adjusting for covariates. When including the covariates age, gender, and baseline dementia individually in the models with only ACB score for TMT-B or age and gender for TMT-A, anticholinergic burden was no longer significant. Additionally, this was true when covariate-by-ACB interaction terms were included; none of the interaction terms was statistically significant (all  $p > 0.2$ ). There was a significant association found between ACB score and cognitive frailty, as measured with TMT-A ( $p = 0.007$ ) and TMT-B ( $p < .001$ ). Model fit for cognitive frailty TMT-A and TMT-B using the Wald chi-square test statistic was associated with a p-value of  $< .001$ . Logistic regression results for cognitive decline and cognitive frailty measured with TMT are shown in Table 3. In the population predictive modeling results, anticholinergic burden was the top 32% of 149 and 40% of 110 predictors, with AUCs ranging from 0.86-0.83 for the outcomes cognitive decline and cognitive frailty respectively measured with the TMT-A and B (Sargent et al., 2018 in preparation).

## DISCUSSION

Participants for all phenotypes were older with a greater proportion of females; few completed a high school education. Participants with cognitive decline, frailty, and cognitive frailty took more medications than individuals without these phenotypes. There were smaller numbers of participants with an ACB score  $> 4$  with most scores above zero clustered between 1-4; suggesting that an ACB score of 1-4 range is sufficient to show association.



Logistic and ordinal regression results found in this study continue to support a relationship between anticholinergic burden and cognitive decline, further strengthen the association with physical frailty, and provide new evidence for an association with cognitive frailty. The population predictive model results with xgboost, showed anticholinergic burden to be a significant predictor for all three phenotypes (Sargent et al., 2018 in preparation).

Although frailty and cognitive decline have been shown to be related, both diseases have long been studied separately. The findings from this study provide the first evidence for a relationship between anticholinergic burden and cognitive frailty, affecting both cognitive speed and executive functioning. The study results show a relationship between anticholinergic burden and cognitive decline when measured with the MMSE but no relationship was observed when cognitive decline was measured with the TMT-A and TMT-B unless cognitive frailty was present. Another study found lower executive function composite scores on the Wechsler Memory Scale-Revised, Logical Memory Immediate Recall, and TMT-B test in a small sample (n=402) of individuals taking anticholinergic medications over 1 year with additional findings of increased brain atrophy and clinical decline<sup>31</sup>. Additionally, previous studies have shown a relationship between anticholinergic burden and transitions between frailty states and increased mortality for individuals who were robust at baseline; with every unit increase in burden being associated with a 73% risk of transition from robust to pre-frail. Further these studies showed that anticholinergic burden is associated with poor mobility, functional decline, psychomotor slowing, and falls<sup>5,12,32</sup>.

A limitation of the study is that this was a secondary analysis of existing data. As such, the medications are from an international database and represent a specific population of individuals and do not consider potential differences in prescribing patterns throughout the world. Additionally, confounding may be a factor; for which it becomes difficult to distinguish between the effects of the medications and the disease process. Therefore, further research with adequately powered randomized controlled trials or prospective cohort studies with follow up periods in the clinical setting are needed to distinguish medication effect from disease progression. These findings highlight the need for longitudinal studies focused on understanding which domains of memory are affected.

Future research should focus on methods for detecting high risk individuals in the clinical setting, the relationship between Apolipoprotein E  $\epsilon$ 4 and anticholinergic medications, and whether anticholinergic medications are a modifiable risk factor for the prevention of cognitive decline and physical frailty. Identification of reversible causes for cognitive and physical impairment is critical for the aging population.

Clinicians need to be aware of these findings and review cumulative anticholinergic burden in robust and vulnerable individuals and minimize the overall anticholinergic burden before symptoms of cognitive and physical decline are detectable. Until a better understanding of the implications that these findings have in the clinical setting, caution must be applied since medications with anticholinergic effects are used to treat many chronic diseases, such as congestive heart failure and hypertension. These findings

encourage new research and may lead to effective interventions for the prevention and treatment of cognitive and physical decline in an aging population.

## **CONCLUSION**

Anticholinergic burden is associated with both cognitive decline and physical frailty.

Efforts to better understand the epigenetic effects, sum dose effect, and identify

individuals in clinical settings who may require anticholinergic medication

discontinuation are important next steps to prevent anticholinergic burden induced

outcomes.

Table 1. Characteristics of participants by phenotype

|                        | Cognitive Decline (MMSE) | Frailty (CHS) | Cognitive Frailty (MMSE) | Cognitive Decline (TMT-A) | Cognitive Decline (TMT-B) | Cognitive Frailty (TMT-A) | Cognitive Frailty (TMT-B) |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Phenotype (n)          | (n=369)                  | (n=595)       | (n=257)                  | (n=525)                   | (n=634)                   | (n=302)                   | (n=325)                   |
| Age, mean(SD)          | 80 (8.7)                 | 78 (7.9)      | 82 (7.4)                 | 76 (7.7)                  | 72 (9.0)                  | 78 (7.4)                  | 76 (6.9)                  |
| Gender, %              |                          |               |                          |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Male (n)               | 24.0 (120)               | 42.8 (214)    | 31.9 (82)                | 37.1 (195)                | 41.9 (266)                | 35.1 (106)                | 36.0 (117)                |
| Female (n)             | 37.6 (249)               | 58.2 (381)    | 68.1 (175)               | 62.9 (330)                | 58.0 (368)                | 64.9 (196)                | 64.0 (208)                |
| Education, %           |                          |               |                          |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| No Education           | 56.9 (210)               | 39.3 (234)    | 58.8 (151)               | 42.3 (222)                | 25.4 (161)                | 46.4 (140)                | 30.8 (100)                |
| Elementary - Secondary | 39.6 (146)               | 52.4 (312)    | 37.7 (97)                | 53.1 (279)                | 66.2 (420)                | 49.3 (149)                | 61.5 (200)                |
| ≥ High School          | 1.4 (5)                  | 7.1 (42)      | 1.9 (5)                  | 3.2 (17)                  | 7.6 (48)                  | 3.3 (10)                  | 7.4 (24)                  |
| <b>Medication use</b>  |                          |               |                          |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Number of drugs        |                          |               |                          |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| 0 meds                 | 73                       | 83            | 34                       | 107                       | 141                       | 35                        | 51                        |
| 1 to 4                 | 228                      | 305           | 169                      | 334                       | 408                       | 201                       | 208                       |
| 5 to 7                 | 56                       | 100           | 45                       | 70                        | 73                        | 53                        | 56                        |
| ≥ 8                    | 12                       | 23            | 9                        | 14                        | 12                        | 13                        | 10                        |
| mean(SD)               |                          |               |                          |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Control                | 2.18 (2.01)              | 1.75 (1.76)   | 2.15 (2.02)              | 1.95 (1.87)               | 1.77 (1.73)               | 1.85 (1.82)               | 1.68 (1.66)               |
| Phenotype              | 2.69 (2.19)              | 2.89 (2.21)   | 3.00 (2.16)              | 2.44 (2.12)               | 2.23 (2.02)               | 3.01 (2.20)               | 2.79 (2.19)               |
| p-value*               | <.001                    | <.001         | <.001                    | <.001                     | <.006                     | <.001                     | <.001                     |

Notes: SD = standard deviation, \* two tailed t-Test with means and SD

Table 2. Distribution of anticholinergic burden score by phenotype and difference between health control and phenotype

| % (n)     | Cognitive Decline | Frailty        | Cognitive Frailty | Cognitive Decline  |                    | Cognitive Frailty  |                    |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|           | MMSE<br>(n=296)   | CHS<br>(n=512) | MMSE<br>(223)     | Trail A<br>(n=418) | Trail B<br>(n=493) | Trail A<br>(n=267) | Trail B<br>(n=274) |
| ACB       |                   |                |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| 0         | 47.0% (139)       | 51.0% (261)    | 42.2% (94)        | 57.9% (242)        | 62.9%(310)         | 50.2% (134)        | 55.5% (152)        |
| 1         | 23.6% (70)        | 22.9% (117)    | 25.1% (56)        | 20.6% (86)         | 20.1% (99)         | 22.5% (60)         | 21.2% (58)         |
| 2         | 14.5% (43)        | 11.9% (61)     | 16.1% (36)        | 10.8% (45)         | 7.9% (39)          | 13.1% (35)         | 9.9% (27)          |
| 3         | 10.1% (30)        | 8.8% (45)      | 11.2% (25)        | 6.7% (28)          | 5.5% (27)          | 8.2% (22)          | 7.7% (21)          |
| 4         | 2.7% (8)          | 3% (16)        | 3.1% (7)          | 2.4% (10)          | 2.4% (12)          | 3.4% (9)           | 3.6% (10)          |
| 5         | 1.0% (3)          | 1.4% (7)       | .9% (2)           | 1.0% (4)           | 1.0% (5)           | 1.5% (4)           | 1.8% (5)           |
| 6         | .7% (2)           | .8% (4)        | .9% (2)           | .5% (2)            | .2% (1)            | .7% (2)            | .4% (1)            |
| 9         | .3% (1)           | .2% (1)        | .4% (1)           | .2% (1)            | (0)                | .4% (1)            | (0)                |
| Control   | 0[6]              | 0[5]           | 0[6]              | 0[5]               | 0[4]               | 0[5]               | 0[4]               |
| Phenotype | 1[9]              | 0[9]           | 1[9]              | 0[9]               | 0[6]               | 0[9]               | 0[6]               |
| p-value*  | <.001             | <.001          | <.001             | <.001              | .042               | <.001              | <.001              |

Table 3. Generalized linear regression results: association between anticholinergic burden and phenotypes

| Phenotype                   | (n) | Beta Coef | Std. Error | 95%CI     | p-value |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|
| Cognitive Decline (MMSE)    | 375 | 0.21      | 0.07       | 0.08-0.36 | .004    |
| Frailty (CHS)               | 595 | 0.31      | 0.07       | 0.17-45   | <.001   |
| Cognitive Frailty (MMSE)    | 257 | 0.26      | 0.08       | 0.11-0.41 | <.001   |
| Cognitive Decline (Trail A) | 545 | 0.20      | 0.14       | 0.14-0.11 | .14     |
| Cognitive Decline (Trail B) | 703 | 0.21      | 0.14       | 0.10-.47  | .12     |
| Cognitive Frailty (Trail A) | 302 | 0.27      | 0.08       | 0.11-.43  | <.001   |
| Cognitive Frailty (Trail B) | 325 | 0.38      | 0.09       | 0.19-0.57 | <.001   |

Table 4. Ordinal regression results: association between anticholinergic burden and phenotype

| Models | Phenotypes (MMSE & CHS)        | n   |
|--------|--------------------------------|-----|
| 1      | <b>Cognition</b>               |     |
|        | Cognitive Decline              | 501 |
|        | Cognitive Impairment           | 101 |
| 2      | <b>Frailty</b>                 |     |
|        | Frail                          | 88  |
|        | Pre-frail                      | 507 |
| 3      | <b>Cognitive Frailty</b>       |     |
|        | Cognitive Decline & Frail      | 55  |
|        | Cognitive Decline & Pre-frail  | 217 |
|        | Cognitive Impaired & Frail     | 11  |
|        | Cognitive Impaired & Pre-frail | 76  |

| Models | Phenotype         | Beta Coef | Std. Error | Odds Ratio | 95%CI     | p-value |
|--------|-------------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| 1      | Cognition         | 0.19      | 0.07       | 1.21       | 1.07-1.37 | <.001   |
| 2      | Frailty           | 0.29      | 0.06       | 1.33       | 1.87-1.50 | <.001   |
| 3      | Cognitive Frailty | 0.31      | 0.06       | 1.36       | 1.21-1.54 | <.001   |

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## SUMMARY

This dissertation consists of four manuscripts; 1) an integrative review of the measurements for cognitive frailty, 2) a systematic review of the clinical and biological markers for cognitive decline and physical frailty, 3) an innovative population predictive model analyses establishing biological plausibility for cognitive frailty, 4) and a new finding of anticholinergic burden as a predictor of frailty and cognitive frailty. The results from this study establish a foundation for an understanding of the underlying biological mechanisms for the relationship between cognitive decline and physical frailty and found anticholinergic burden as one of the top predictors for frailty and cognitive frailty. In seeking to explore the importance and applicability of these results it is critical that others continue to replicate the model results. To accompany manuscript 3, help with replication and extension of this work, the code has been made publically available for the population predictive model.

## Implications

The results from this dissertation have several implications for future research and have a potential for translation into practice. Through the lens of Complex Systems Theory, this dissertation begins to unravel the complexity behind a geriatric syndrome providing biological plausibility to cognitive frailty. Geriatric syndromes such as cognitive frailty are highly multifactorial and variable across the aging spectrum lending themselves to new ways of investigation. As Bryne (1998) notes: Not only can the complex not always be derived, even in principle from the less complex,... we can often

only understand the simpler [cognitive frailty] in terms of its origins in the more complex (p. 16). By using the framework of complex systems theory and an innovative Boosted trees machine learning technique (xgboost) we determined key biological mechanism for a dysregulation across multiple systems as the potential cause for cognitive frailty. The future to understanding complex geriatric syndrome should include a systems approach by using highly accurate statistical modeling to identify measurable markers. There were multiple biological associations determined by the study results that should be investigated further. One of the interesting findings is anticholinergic burden in conjunction with the association of *SLCO1B1* as predictors for cognitive frailty. *SLO1B1* is an important pharmacokinetic gene that is involved in the removal of drug compounds and transport of drug metabolites at the blood-brain barrier(1). It has been implicated as a marker of lean muscle mass loss and may affect the distribution of drugs into the central nervous system(1,2).

#### Limitations

The limitations of the dissertation research included the use of a small homogenous sample with large numbers of biomarkers creating limitations for translation into clinical research. Additionally, the study was retrospective using existing data. The analyses used a randomly assigned training subset to validate the model within a relatively homogenous InCHIANTI cohort. Additionally, no external validation of the model was completed. The model would be strengthened by external validation in a in a mixed ethnic and demographic age range. Through the process of completing this dissertation I have gained invaluable expertise in statically modeling of a large dataset and have

learned skills in the field of bioinformatics. The dissertation required me to learn bash and R coding, along with learning how to manipulate genetic data in PLINK.

#### Future research

There are several areas for future research based on this dissertation work. There is a need to test and validate the model in a second more ethnically diverse population before translation into clinical practice. Further investigate anticholinergic burden as an epigenetic cause of cognitive frailty by exploring the relationship between putative genetic markers discovered in the model analyses (i.e. *SLCO1B1* and *COMT*). Some of these findings can be translated into clinical studies. Research focusing on methods for detecting high-risk individuals in the clinical setting and descriptive studies to understand the scope and effect of cognitive frailty are needed. Intervention studies are essential to understanding the role of nutrition and/or physical activities have on neuroinflammatory cytokines and other system markers for cognitive frail individual's progression. Additionally, further work can be done on whether anticholinergic medications are a modifiable risk factor for the prevention of cognitive frailty. Identification of reversible causes for cognitive and physical impairment is critical for the aging population.

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APPENDICES

MANUSCRIPT 1: Supplemental documents

Appendix A. Search Strategies – Conducted January 30, 2015

| Database              | Added Filters  | Time Period  | Terms   | Results |
|-----------------------|----------------|--------------|---|---------|
| PubMed                | English, Human | 1983-Present | (((((("Frailty"[TIAB] OR "Frail"[TIAB] OR "Physical Frailty"[TIAB] OR "Cognitive Frailty"[TIAB])) OR "Frail Elderly"[Mesh])) AND ((Alzheimer*[TIAB] OR Presenile Dementia*[TIAB] OR Senile Dementia*[TIAB] OR Mild Cognitive Impairment*[TIAB] OR Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*[TIAB] OR Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*[TIAB] OR Early Dementia*[TIAB] OR Early Onset Dementia*[TIAB] OR Cognitive Decline[TIAB] OR Mild Cognitive Impairment*[TIAB]))   | 322     |
| CINAHL                | English, Human | 1992-Present | (MH "Alzheimer's Disease") OR ( "Alzheimer*" OR "Presenile Dementia*" OR "Senile Dementia*" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Early Dementia*" OR "Early Onset Dementia*" OR "Cognitive Decline" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*") AND (MH "Frailty Syndrome") AND "Frailty" OR "Frail" OR "Physical Frailty" OR "Cognitive Frailty"   | 76      |
| PsycInfo              | None           | 2005-Present | (Title:("Frailty" OR "Frail" OR "Physical Frailty" OR "Cognitive Frailty") OR Abstract: ("Frailty" OR "Frail" OR "Physical Frailty" OR "Cognitive Frailty")) AND ((Index Terms: ("Cognitive Impairment")) OR Title: ("Alzheimer*" OR "Presenile Dementia*" OR "Senile Dementia*" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Early Dementia*" OR "Early Onset Dementia*" OR "Cognitive Decline" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*") OR Abstract: ("Alzheimer*" OR "Presenile Dementia*" OR "Senile Dementia*" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Early Dementia*" OR "Early Onset Dementia*" OR "Cognitive Decline" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*")) | 164     |
| Dissertation & Thesis | None           | 1984-Present | All ("Alzheimer*" OR "Presenile Dementia*" OR "Senile Dementia*" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Early Dementia*" OR "Early Onset Dementia*" OR "Cognitive Decline" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*") AND all ("Frailty" OR "Frail" OR "Physical Frailty" OR "Cognitive Frailty")  | 18      |
| Web of Science        | English        | 1991-Present | (( "Alzheimer*" OR "Presenile Dementia*" OR "Senile Dementia*" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Mild Neurocognitive Disorder*" OR "Early Dementia*" OR "Early Onset Dementia*" OR "Cognitive Decline" OR "Mild Cognitive Impairment*") ) AND TOPIC: (Frailty OR Frail OR Physical Frailty OR Cognitive Frailty)   | 560     |

Table 3. Data Extraction and Measurement Properties

| Author & Title  | Theoretical Framework                       | Population Assessed   | Frailty Assessment Instruments   | Cognitive Assessment Instruments   | Reliability   | Validity   | Feasibility   | Principal Results   | Level of Evidence*              |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|--|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Shimada et al. 2013 Combined Prevalence of Frailty and Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) in a Population of Elderly Japanese People | Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed | Country: Japan N= 5104<br><br>56 and older non-demented persons enrolled in Obu Study of Health Promotion for the Elderly (OSHPE)-community dwelling<br><br>Exclusion criteria: history of Parkinson disease, stroke, or MMSE <18 | CHS criteria: frailty phenotype defined by 3 or more of the 5 domains:<br><br>Mobility: timed walk of 2.4 meter (3.2 feet) (cut off <1.0 m/s)<br><br>Strength: Grip strength dynamometer (cut off male: <26 kg, female: <17kg)<br><br>Physical activity: Self-report (no tool listed)<br><br>Endurance: self-report & included questions from GDS*<br><br>Nutrition: self-reported weight loss in previous 2 years | MCI criteria: Subjective memory complaint, cognitive impairment, no functional dependency and no clinical criteria for dementia<br><br>MMSE (cut off <23 impaired) (Folstein, Folstein, and McHugh 1975)<br><br>National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology-Functional Assessment Tool (NCGG-FAT) | § NCGG-FAT – test-retest reliability (ICC = 0.764 to 0.942) | Frailty and MCI Odds Ratio (OR) (2.0, 95% CI 1.5-2.5 p <0.01)<br><br>Reported values from original study:<br><br>§ NCGG-FAT – External validity (Pearson r = 0.496 to 0.842) | Time intensive to measure both domains<br><br>MMSE- 11 questions; 5-10 minutes to perform<br><br>NCGG-FAT-effective for assessing multidimensional cognitive screening; easily administered using tablet technology; instructions on display, training to use tool is limited; knowledge of neuropsychiatric measures not extensive, with a battery of neuropsychiatric test completed in 20-30 min | Frailty is strongly associated with cognitive impairment<br><br>Additional Findings:<br><br>Increasing age and Frailty p for trend <0.01, MCI p < 0.05<br><br>Education associated with frailty p <0.01, MCI p <0.01<br><br>Frailty higher in women than men p <0.05, MCI no differences for gender | 1b<br><br>Cross-sectional study |

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| <p>Kulmala et al. 2014 Association between Frailty and Dementia: A Population-Based Study</p> | <p>Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed</p> | <p>Country: Finland N=781</p> <p>76-100 years, mean age 82 non-demented community dwelling</p> <p>Population based sample from the Geriatric Multidisciplinary Strategy for the Good Care of the Elderly (GeMS)</p> | <p>CHS criteria: frailty phenotype defined by 3 or more of the 5 domains:</p> <p>Slowness- timed maximal 10-meter (32.8 feet) walking test (no cut off mentioned)</p> <p>Weakness-grip strength dynamometer (highest of 2 measurements used)</p> <p>Low physical activity-Grimby scale</p> <p>Poor endurance and energy- self-report question</p> <p>Shrinking/sarcopenia-weight loss &gt;5% over previous year</p> | <p>MMSE (cut off &lt;25 impaired) (Folstein, Folstein, and McHugh 1975)</p> | <p>Not reported</p> | <p>Age &amp; gender-adjust models support these findings</p> <p>Frail, pre-frail, &amp; robust associated percentages with clinically diagnosed dementia: (52%, 19% and 11%, <math>p &lt; 0.01</math>); vascular dementia (9%, 3%, and 1% <math>p = 0.001</math>); and Alzheimer's (30, 15, and 9%, <math>p &lt; 0.001</math>)</p> <p>Frailty &amp; cognitive impairment (OR 7.4, 95% CI 4.2-13.2)</p> <p>Frailty &amp; clinically diagnosed dementia (OR 6.5%, 95% CI 3.6-11.8)</p> <p>Frailty &amp; vascular dementia (OR 6.7, 95% CI 1.6-27.4)</p> <p>Frailty &amp; Alzheimer's (OR 3.2, 95% CI 1.7-6.2)</p> | <p>Time intensive to measure both domains, clinical diagnosis, and imaging can be expensive</p> <p>Clinical translation properties for detection of cognitive frailty unclear</p> | <p>Frailty is associated with cognitive impairment</p> <p>Frail individuals were 7.4 times more likely to have cognitive impairment, 6.5 times more likely to have clinically diagnosed dementia; 6.7 times more likely to have vascular dementia, and over 3.2 times more likely to have Alzheimer's disease than those who were robust</p> | <p>1a</p> <p>Cross-sectional study</p> |
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| <p>Buchman et al. 2014 Brain pathology contributes to simultaneous change in physical frailty and cognition in old age</p> | <p>Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed</p> | <p>Country: U.S. N=2167<br/><br/>Religious Order Study (ROS) and Memory and Aging Project</p> | <p>CHS criteria: Physical frailty<br/>Grip strength: dynamometer<br/><br/>Gait: time to walk 8 feet<br/><br/>Body composition was based on body mass index (BMI).<br/><br/>Fatigue: two questions derived from a modified version of the Center for Epidemiologic Studies–Depression Scale</p> | <p>19 cognitive tests scored and reviewed by neuropsychologist (Wilson et al. 2002)<br/><br/>Five cognitive domains: episodic memory, semantic memory, working memory, perceptual speed, and visuospatial ability</p> | <p>Not reported</p> | <p>Slope measures for physical frailty and cognition (N = 1,794, 82.8%)<br/><br/>Frailty and cognition controlling for number of chronic health conditions (r= -0.708, p&lt;0.001); demographic variables/race (r= -0.68, p &lt; 0.001)<br/><br/>Gait and cognition (r= -0.67, p&lt;0.001)<br/><br/>Grip strength and cognition (r= - 0.51, p&lt;0.001)<br/><br/>BMI and cognition (r = -0.17 p=0.003)<br/><br/>Association of brain pathologies with rates of change of frailty and cognition (r = -0.708, p &lt;0.001)</p> | <p>Time and resource intensive<br/><br/>Clinical translation of the cognitive frailty construct are unclear</p> | <p>Strong linear relationship between rates of change in frailty and cognition<br/><br/>Relationship between frailty and cognition remained when controlling for demographic variables and race and number of chronic disease<br/><br/>Strongest correlation between gait speed and cognition<br/><br/>Presence of macroinfarcts, AD pathology, and nigral neuronal loss were each with rapid progression frailty and cognitive decline</p> | <p>1b Population-based, longitudinal study (10 years)</p> |
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| <p>Rolfson et al. 2013 An assessment of neurocognitive speed in relation to frailty</p> | <p>Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed</p> | <p>Country: Canada<br/>N=164<br/>Mean age 74</p> <p>Baseline cohort of community based older adults; Non-demented population from the Oxford Project to Investigate Memory and Aging (OPTIMA)</p> | <p>Modified CHS criteria:<br/>Weight loss: "Have you lost a lot of weight in the last six months?" ("some change" or "considerable change")</p> <p>Subjective exhaustion: "Do you find you have recently lost energy and it is harder to get things done?"</p> <p>Physical activity: Immobility as defined by either (a) informant history (Does he or she have trouble getting about...? "some difficulty" or "great difficulty") or (b) physical examination suggesting the need for a mobility aid or another person.</p> <p>Slow walking speed: Physical Examination evidence of slow ambulation</p> <p>Weakness: Physical Examination evidence of suboptimal arm or leg power (Grade 4/5 or less)<br/>Frailty Index (FI): 70/83 items used</p> <p>Modified Edmonton Frail Scale (EFS): 5 items used in analysis (number of medications, depression, weight loss, urinary incontinence and clock drawing test)</p> | <p>MMSE (cut off not mentioned)</p> <p>Neurocognitive speed (NCS) cut off &lt;18 pattern</p> <p>Comparison test (PCT) &lt;11<br/>Letter comparison test (LCT) &lt;7</p> | <p>Not reported</p> | <p>NCS (DV) and MMSE, FI, EFS (IVs): (OR 1.19, 95% CI 1.04-1.36, p = 0.012); OR 0.87, 95% CI 0.81-0.95, p=0.001), OR: 0.94, 95% CI 0.59-1.49, p=0.779)</p> <p>Modified EFS and NCS: (OR 0.94, 95% CI 0.59-1.49, p= 0.779)</p> | <p>Time and resource intensive</p> <p>Clinical translation properties unclear</p> | <p>Strong correlation between NCS and frailty.</p> <p>Association was evident with FI and NCS</p> <p>NCS was not associated with a modified CHS or modified EFS.</p> <p>Modified CHS was significant when the MMSE was taken out</p> | <p>1b</p> <p>Population-based, longitudinal study (3 years)</p> |
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| <p>Oosterveld et al. 2014 The influence of co-morbidity and frailty on the clinical manifestation of patients with Alzheimer's disease</p> | <p>Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed</p> | <p>Country: Netherlands<br/>N=213</p> <p>Clinical Course of Cognition and Comorbidity-Dementia Study (4C-Dementia study)</p> <p>46-93 years old; mean 75 with probable (n=193) or possible (n=20) diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease</p> | <p>Modified CHS: Scoring range from 0-5; 3 or higher = frail; 2 = pre-frail<br/>Measurement details were not listed; based on definition of Fried:</p> <p>Weight loss</p> <p>Activity level</p> <p>Emotion/energy level</p> <p>Grip strength</p> <p>Gait velocity: 15 feet walk test</p> | <p>Baseline measure: MMSE score <math>\geq 10</math>, CDR<sup>B</sup> score 0.5-2 (0.5- very mild, 1- mild, 2-moderate)</p> <p>Study neuropsychological test domains: episodic memory, working memory, executive functioning, mental speed, perception, and verbal fluency</p> | <p>Not reported</p> | <p>Frailty association with poorer cognitive performance</p> <p>Able to distinguish between frail and non-frail patients with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) (<math>\beta = -0.31</math>, <math>P &lt; 0.001</math>)</p> | <p>Time and resource intensive</p> <p>Clinical translation properties unclear</p> | <p>Higher frailty score was highly correlated with poorer cognitive performance and poorer clinical manifestations of Alzheimer's disease</p> <p>Association between co-morbidity, frailty, and clinical manifestation of Alzheimer's disease</p> | <p>1b Cross-sectional Population-based study</p> |
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| <p>McGough et al. 2013 Dimensions of physical frailty and cognitive function in older adults with amnesic mild cognitive impairment</p> | <p>Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed</p> | <p>Country: U.S. N= 201</p> <p>Analysis of baseline data from the Resources and Activities for Life-Long Independence (RALLI) Study</p> <p>70 and older, sedentary, and classified as having amnesic-MCI</p> | <p>Modified CHS criteria:</p> <p>Physical slowness: gait speed calculating energy expenditure (MET levels) cut off: &lt; 383 Kcals/week men &amp; &lt;270 Kcals/week women</p> <p>Physical activity: Self-report using the Physical Activity Scale for the Elderly (PASE)</p> <p>Strength: Grip strength – cut off points stratified by sex and BMI</p> <p>Gait speed: 8-foot timed walk (best of two) – cut off stratified by sex and height</p> <p>Weight loss – assessed as a covariate, BMI calculated using baseline height/weight</p> | <p>Baseline Neuropsychological testing: MMSE, Wechsler Memory Scale-Revised (WMS-R), Logical memory (LM) I &amp; II, CDR<sup>f</sup></p> <p>Study neuropsychological tests: severity measured with ADAS-Cog Attention and executive function: Trail Making A &amp; B (TMT-A)</p> <p>Memory: WMS-R Logical Memory I (LM1), Word recall sub-item on ADAS-Cog</p> <p>*GDS: depression screening</p> | <p>Not reported</p> | <p>Reported on adjusted measures:</p> <p>Gait speed and cognitive function: ADAS-Cog (<math>\beta = -0.19</math>, <math>p &lt; 0.008</math>) Executive function: TMT-A (<math>\beta = -0.23</math>, <math>p = 0.001</math>) TMT-B (<math>\beta = -0.20</math>, <math>p = 0.006</math>), Word Recall (<math>\beta = -0.18</math>, <math>p = 0.02</math>) and LM1 (<math>\beta = 0.14</math>, <math>p = 0.04</math>)</p> <p>Grip strength and attention: TMT-A (<math>\beta = -0.16</math>, <math>p = 0.008</math>)</p> <p>Physical activity and executive function (<math>\beta = -0.18</math>, <math>p &lt; 0.02</math>) and word recall (<math>\beta = 0.17</math>, <math>p = 0.02</math>)</p> | <p>Time and resource intensive</p> <p>Clinical translation properties unclear</p> | <p>Slower gait speed was associated with elevated severity of cognitive impairment</p> <p>Gait speed associated with individual cognitive domains: attention, executive function, word recall, &amp; memory</p> <p>Physical activity associated with the individual cognitive domain of executive function</p> <p>Grip strength associated with the individual cognitive domain of attention</p> <p>Grip strength not associated with severity of cognitive impairment</p> | <p>1b Cross-sectional study Baseline data from RTC</p> |
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| Alencar, et al. 2013 Frailty and cognitive impairment among community-dwelling elderly | Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed | Country: Brazil<br>N= 182<br>Community-dwelling 65 years or older; with and without cognitive impairment<br><br>Exclusion criteria: bed-ridden, restricted to wheelchair, terminal stage, hearing or vision impairment that would affect testing, stroke, severe stage Parkinson's disease, severe dementia (grade 3 on CDR <sup>ε</sup> ) | CHS criterion: frailty phenotype defined by 3 or more of the 5 domains:<br><br>Weight loss: Unintentional weight loss ≥ 4.5 kg<br><br>Strength: Grip strength (adjusted gender & BMI)<br><br>Fatigue: Two questions on the Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression scale<br><br>Slowness: time in seconds to walk 4.6 meters (14.8 feet-adjusted gender & BMI)<br><br>Physical activity: Short version – Minnesota Leisure Time Activity Questionnaire<br><br>Nutritional status: BMI with cut off: <22kg underweight; ≥22kg and ≤ 27kg ideal range; >27kg overweight<br><br>Functional status: Katz scale: basic activities of daily living (BADL) instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs), Advanced activities of daily living | Cognitive function assessed in two-stage sequential testing:<br>MMSE Cut off: 17/18 illiterate participants, 20/21 1-4 yrs of school, 23/24 5-8yrs of school, 25/26 9+ yrs of school (Nitrini and Caramelli 2007)<br><br>When MMSE positive for cognitive changes then Brief Cognitive Screening Battery (BCSB) was completed<br><br><sup>ε</sup> CDR used for classification for degree of dementia: score 0.5-2 (0.5- very mild, 1-mild, 2-moderate, 3-severe)<br><br>*GDS-15 – depression symptoms in individuals without cognitive impairment and Cornell Depression Scale in Dementia for individuals with cognitive impairment | Not reported | Mean difference at baseline MMSE - 12 months MMSE for non-frail, pre-frail, frail: (1.31, 0.49, 0.77 p = 0.005)<br><br>Change in CDR baseline - 12 months CDR for non-frail, pre-frail, frail: (4 n=43, 17 n=104, & 7 n=35 p=0.393)<br><br>Relative risk (RR) with <sup>ε</sup> CDR non-frail, pre-frail, frail: (RR = 1.0, 1.7 95% CI 0.63-0.49, 2.1 95% CI 0.68-6.7, p = 0.393)<br><br>Relative risk with MMSE non-frail, pre-frail, frail: (RR = 1.0, 3.5 95% CI 1.51-8.4, 4.6 95% CI 1.9-11.2) | Time and resource intensive<br><br>Clinical translation properties unclear | Risk of incidence and rates of progression for frailty and cognitive were significant when using the MMSE but not with the CDR | 1b Prospective cohort study (12 months) |
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| <p>Gray et al. 2013<br/>Frailty and incident dementia</p> | <p>Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed</p> | <p>Country: U.S. N=2619</p> <p>From the Adult Changes in Thought (ACT) study</p> <p>65 and older without dementia at baseline</p> <p>Exclusion criteria: History of stroke, Parkinson's disease, or any component of frailty missing</p> | <p>CHS criteria: <math>\geq 3</math> = frail, 1-2 = pre-frail, 0 not frail</p> <p>Weakness: grip strength-average of 3 attempts (cut off by sex and BMI)</p> <p>Slowness: walking speed-10 foot walk – 2 walks average time</p> <p>Physical activity: self-report based on type of activity and length of time</p> <p>Weight loss: loss of 7.5% of body weight since previous visit</p> <p>Exhaustion: 10-item Center for Epidemiological Studies Depression (CES-D)</p> | <p>Cognitive Abilities Screening Instrument (CASI; 13) 40 item, 100-point global cognitive functioning test (cut off 86)</p> <p>1-hr neurocognitive battery: clock drawing, verbal fluency, Mattis Dementia Rating Scale, Boston naming, verbal paired associations and recall, logical memory and recall, Word List Memory, Constructional Praxis and recall, Trails A and B, and Information and Comprehension subtest items</p> | <p>Not reported</p> | <p>Frailty and all cause dementia Hazard Ratio (HR) (1.20, 95% CI 0.85-1.69)</p> <p>Frailty and Alzheimer's (HR 1.08, 95% CI 0.74-1.57)</p> <p>Frailty and non-Alzheimer's (HR 2.57, 95% CI 1.08-6.11)</p> <p>Gait speed and Alzheimer's disease (AD): (HR 2.13, 95% CI 1.09-4.16)<br/>CASI: Sensitivity 95.6%; specificity 92.0%</p> | <p>Time and resource intensive</p> <p>Clinical translation properties unclear</p> | <p>Frailty is associated with a 2.57 fold increase risk for non-AD dementia</p> <p>Individual frailty components were not significantly related to risk for dementia or AD.</p> <p>Slow gait speed was the only significantly related component to increased risk for non-AD dementia.</p> | <p>1b</p> <p>Population-based, longitudinal study (mean 6.5 years)</p> |
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| Solfrizzi et al. 2013 Frailty syndrome and the risk of vascular dementia: the Italian Longitudinal Study on Aging | Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed | Country: Italy N=2581<br><br>From the Italian Longitudinal Study on Aging (ILSA)<br><br>65-84 years; no dementia at baseline<br>Exclusion: severe sensorial deficit, bedridden, use of wheelchair, dizziness, severe osteoarthritis, Parkinson's disease, or stroke | Modified CHS criteria:<br><br>Weight loss: Unintentional weight loss > 5kg in past year (additional question: "Do you think that your clothes are wide?"<br><br>Exhaustion: *GDS score $\geq$ 10 and negative answer to the question: "Do you feel full of energy?"<br><br>Weakness: Negative chair stand test: Inability to stand from a chair unaided, or without using the arms (standardized by sex and body mass index)<br><br>Slowness: Time $\geq$ 7 seconds spent to walk 5m (standardized by sex and height)<br><br>Physical activity: structured questionnaire developed in the CHIANTI Study (Patel et al. 2006)<br><br>Levels of physical activity in the past year. ADL and IADL tasks & *GDS item "Do you practice physical activity?"<br><br>Motor performance: six tests: 3 explored dynamic balance and coordination; 3 assessed static balance | MMSE score of > 15 were considered to make plausible *GDS scores | Motor performance<br><br>Intra-observer reliability:<br>Dynamic balance: timed & counted tests 0.071<br><br>Tandem gain errors: 0.80 reaction time & .089-0.96 for chair stand, rapid step ups, standing on one leg, step length, and walking speed<br><br>Intra-observer agreement; 0.63 gait – 0.82 abnormal turn<br><br>ADL & IADL intra-observer agreement Cohen's Kappa=0.80<br><br>Inter-observer agreement; gait: 0.38 step asymmetry – 0.82 abnormal turn | Frailty association with overall dementia (HR 1.85, 95% CI 1.01-3.40)<br><br>Frailty association with AD (HR 0.62, 95% CI 0.20-1.89)<br><br>Frailty association with vascular dementia (HR 2.68, 95% CI 1.16-7.17) | Time and resource intensive<br><br>Clinical translation properties unclear | Frailty syndrome at baseline was associated with a greater risk of developing overall dementia with strong associations with vascular dementia<br><br>Relationship between grip strength and risk of AD | 1b Population-based, longitudinal study (3.9 years) |
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| <p>Robertson et al. 2014<br/>Cognitive function in the prefrailty and frailty syndrome</p> | <p>Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed</p> | <p>Country: Republic of Ireland<br/>N=4,649</p> <p>Adults 50 and older</p> <p>Exclusion: stroke, Parkinson's disease, taking antidepressants, or severe cognitive impairment<br/>MMSE &lt;18</p> | <p>CHS criteria:</p> <p>Poor grip strength: Two readings from dominant hand – mean strength</p> <p>Slow gait speed: GAITRite portable electronic walkway system (16-foot) walkway with extra 2.5 m at each end for acceleration/deceleration</p> <p>Low levels of physical activity: short form International Physical Activity Questionnaire<br/>Kcal per week</p> <p>Unintentional weight loss survey: "In the past year, have you lost 10lbs or more in weight when you were not trying to."</p> <p>Exhaustion: Used 2 items from the 20-item Center for Epidemiological Studies Depression (CES-D)</p> | <p>Global cognition<br/>MMSE &amp; MoCA</p> <p>Executive function: visual reasoning, color trails Test B, &amp; verbal fluency</p> <p>Memory: visual recall, visual recognition, immediate, &amp; self-rated</p> <p>Attention: color trails Test A &amp; sustained attention to response task</p> <p>Processing speed: Cognitive reaction time</p> | <p>Not reported</p> | <p>Components of frailty and domains of cognitive function:<br/>Exhaustion &amp; global cognition (<math>\beta</math>- 0.18, <math>p &lt; 0.008</math>)</p> <p>Slow gait &amp; executive function (<math>\beta</math>- 0.20, <math>p &lt; 0.008</math>), attention (<math>\beta</math> - 0.25, <math>p &lt; 0.008</math>), and processing speed (<math>\beta</math>- -0.16, <math>p &lt; 0.008</math>)</p> <p>Weak grip &amp; global cognition (<math>\beta</math>- 0.26, <math>p &lt; 0.008</math>) and executive function (<math>\beta</math>-0.14, <math>p &lt; 0.008</math>)</p> | <p>Time and resource intensive</p> <p>Clinical translation properties unclear</p> | <p>Cognitive function is related to pre-frailty and frailty</p> <p>Gait speed and grip strength were associated with executive function, processing speed, and attention. These results were further validated with evidence that frail individuals had lower cognitive scores than pre-frail and robust.</p> | <p>1b<br/>Cross-sectional study</p> |
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| Han et al. 2014<br>Association of cognitive impairment with frailty in community-dwelling older adults | Indices of cognitive frailty were discussed | Country: South Korea<br>N=10,388<br><br>Adults 65 and older, data from the 2008 Living Profiles of Older People Survey | CHS criteria:<br><br>Weight loss: Unintentional weight loss of more than 5kg in past 6 months<br><br>Exhaustion: Self-reported fatigue or depressive symptoms<br><br>Low Physical Activity: Defined as energy expenditure due to physical activity in the lowest quintile in the last week<br><br>Gait speed: Slowest quintile for the 2.5-m-walk speed (adjusted for height by gender)<br><br>Grip strength: Lowest quintile (based on gender's body mass index) | Modified version of the Korean version of the MMSE (MMSE-KC)<br><br>Cognitive impairment was defined as > 1.5 SD below age, gender, and education-specific mean scores | Not reported | MMSE-KC associated with higher odds of pre-frail (OR=1.27, 95% CI 1.04-1.55 in men; OR=1.25, 95% CI 1.02-1.53 in women) and frail (OR = 1.81, 95% CI 1.25-2.60 in men; OR = 1.69, 95% CI 1.25-2.30 in women)<br><br>Higher cognitive function specific domains scores associated with lower likelihood of frailty by gender: Men: attention (OR =0.72, 95% CI 0.58-0.89), recall (OR = 0.89, 95% CI 0.80-0.98), judgement (OR = 0.80, 95% CI 0.64-0.99)<br><br>Women: language repetition (OR = 0.83 95% CI 0.73-0.95) and visual construction (OR = 0.82 95% CI 0.70-0.96) | Time intensive to measure both domains<br><br>Clinical translation properties unclear | Cognitive impairment is associated with pre-frail and frailty<br><br>Higher scores in specific domains of cognitive function were identified as having a lower association with frailty; several were gender specific | 1b<br>Cross-sectional study |
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§ Results reported from original study

¥ Operational definition terms were reported in the table as written in the original study

\* Geriatric Depression Scale (GDS)

£ Clinical Dementia Rating (CDR)



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Table I. Clinical and biomarkers results

| Citation   | Level of Evidence | Type of study design  | total (n) | Phenotype                   | Type of cognitive decline | Component of frailty                                    | Biomarker - 1  | Biomarker - 2  | Biomarker - 3  | Biomarker - 4                            | Biomarker - 5                              | Biomarker - 6 | Biomarker - 7     | Biomarker - 8  | Biomarker - 9        |
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| (Abdullah et al., 2007)                                  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 213       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Aβeta 1-40   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Aberg et al., 2015)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 80        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI  |   | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-2)   | Insulin like growth factor protein Binding Protein (IGFBP-2)                   |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Adamis et al., 2014)                                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 142       | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1)   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Adriaensens et al., 2014)                               | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 415       | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline | Physical Function                                       | IL-6   |  | IL-1 beta CRP/hs-CRP   | IL-1 Alpha IL-8                          |  |               |                   | Alcohol intake | Low level education  |
| (Aguilar et al., 2014)                                   | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 348       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI  |   | ApoE-4 single allele   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Albrecht et al., 2015)                                  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 214       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | ApoE-4 single allele   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Albrecht et al., 2015)                                  | 1a                | Longitudinal Study  | 1112      | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | ApoE-4 single allele   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Alcolea et al., 2015)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 226       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI                       |   | Aβeta-42   | t-tau  |  | YKL-40 (neuroinflammation)               |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Al-Turki, Boston, McKirdy, & Barker, 2011)              | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 470       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Body mass index  | Alcohol intake   |  | p-tau or Chitinase-3 Ch3L3               |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Alvarez-Rios et al., 2015)                              | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 592       | Frailty (pre-frail & frail) |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Propeptide of type I procollagen (PINP)  |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Andersson et al., 2008)                                 | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 40        | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | p-tau  |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Annweiler, Bataille, et al., 2011)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 43        | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Sarcopenia,Physical Activity                    | Beta 2-microglobulin (B2M)   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Annweiler, Schott, et al., 2011)                        | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1190      | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline | Physical Function                                       | Vitamin D (25(OH)D)  | Chronic Disease 2 or more  |  | Depression                               |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Apostolova et al., 2015)                                | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 400       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | IL-6   | Clusterin  | Apo-genotype   | Brain derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (S. Li, Okonkwo, Albert, & Wang, 2013)                   | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 139       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | ApoE-4 two alleles   | Aβeta 1-42   |  | P-tau181/Aβeta-42                        | IL-13                                      |               |                   |                | TNF-alpha            |
| (Armstrong et al., 2014)                                 |                   | In Vitro  | 50        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Rab7   |  |  | EEA1                                     |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Aschenbrenner et al., 2015)                             | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 238       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | Aβeta-42   | t-tau  |  | LAMP-1                                   | LAMP-2                                     |               |                   |                | LC3                  |
| (Ashton et al., 2015)                                    | 1a                | Longitudinal Study  | 78        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | alpha 2-macroglobulin (A2M)  | Fibrinogen gamma-chain (FGG)   | Complement factor H (CFH) protein 1  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Atti et al., 2006)                                      | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1139      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | Anemia   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Auyeung et al., 2011)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1489      | Frailty only                |                           | Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength                           | Total Testosterone (TT)  | Estradiol/Estrogen   |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Baldeiras et al., 2010)                                 | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 70        | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | Uric Acid  | malondialdehyde (MDA)  |  | Vitamin E                                |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Bambo et al., 2015)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 56        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Ocular measures  |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Bambo et al., 2014)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 114       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Ocular measures  |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Bartali et al., 2006)                                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 643       | Frailty only                |                           | Physical Function                                       | Vitamin B6   | Cobalamin deficiency (B12)   |  | Selenium                                 |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (D. Baylis et al., 2013)                                 | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 254       | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | WBC  | ESR  | Neutrophils  | Monocytes DHEAS                          | Lymphocytes                                | Albumin       | T4                | DHEAS          | Cortison/DHEAS ratio |
| (Daniel Baylis et al., 2014)                             | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 367       | Frailty only                |                           | Sarcopenia,Grip Strength                                | IL-1beta   | IL-6   | Cortisol   | (dehydroepiandrosterone sulphate)        | Cortisol/DHEAS ratio                       |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Beasley et al., 2010)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 24417     | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Calibrated protein intake - Food Frequency Questionnaire (FFQ)   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Beasley et al., 2013)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 134961    | Frailty only                |                           | Grip Strength,Physical Function                         | Calibrated protein intake - Food Frequency Questionnaire (FFQ)   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Beauchet et al., 2014)                                  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 934       | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline | Gait,Grip Strength                                      | Medication (Psychoactive drugs)  | BMI  |  |  | BMI  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Berr, Balansard, Arnaud, Rousset, & Alperovitch, 2000)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1166      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | Oxidative stress markers /Total antioxidant status (TAS)   | Selenium   |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Bertens, Knol, Scheltens, & Visser, 2015)               | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 284       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | Aβeta 1-42   | t-tau  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Blain et al., 2012)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 220       | Frailty only                |                           | Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Function         | BMI  | Creatinine   | IL-6   | CRP/hs-CRP                               | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1) | Vit D         | Total cholesterol | LDL            |                      |
| (K Blennow et al., 2009)                                 | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 572       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Aβeta1-42/ Aβeta1-40 ratio   | Aβeta 1-42   | Aβeta 1-40 phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Kaj Blennow et al., 2007)                               | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 53        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | t-tau  | Aβeta-42   |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Borroni et al., 2004)                                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 48        | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | Amyloid precursor protein (APP)  |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Bowman et al., 2012)                                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 104       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Composite Score: Pyridoxal 5-phosphate (B6), Thiamin (B1), Riboflavin (B2), Folate (B9) Ascorbic acid (vitamin C), -Tocopherol (vitamin E), Cobalamin (B12), 25-Hydroxyvitamin D | Composite Score: trans linoleic acid (18:2w-6), Trans- linoleic acid (18:2w6f) | Composite Score: Arachidonic acid (20:4- linoleic acid 6), gamma-Linolenic acid (18:3w6) |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Bretsky et al., 1999)                                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 195       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | ApoE-4 two alleles   | ApoE-4 single allele   | P-tau231/Aβeta-42/40 ratio   | T-tau/Aβeta-42/40 ratio                  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Brys et al., 2009)                                      | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 66        | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD     |   | P-tau231   |  |  |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |
| (Breitling, Müller, Stegmaier, Kliegel, & Brenner, 2012) | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1322      | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Cellular prion protein (PrPc)  | BMI  | Alcohol intake   |  |  |               |                   |                |                      |

| Citation                                   | Level of Evidence | Type of study design  | total (n) | Phenotype                   | Type of cognitive decline  | Component of frailty  | Biomarker - 1   | Biomarker - 2              | Biomarker - 3            | Biomarker - 4                      | Biomarker - 5   | Biomarker - 6             | Biomarker - 7 | Biomarker - 8 | Biomarker - 9  |
|--|-------------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|--|---|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| K Buerger et al., 2002                     | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 162       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI   |   | p-tau   | P-tau231                   | ApoE-genotype            |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Katharina Buerger et al., 2002)           | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 192       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's, MCI, Frontal Temporal Dementia (FTD), Lewy Body Dementia (LBD), Vascular Dementia |   | P-tau231  | P-tau231                   |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Busch et al., 2015)                       | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1345      | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline  | Gait, Grip Strength, Physical Activity  | Education   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               | Chronic Disease 2 or more  |
| (Woodward et al., 2017)                    | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 566       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Olfactory measures  | IADL                       |                          | ADL                                |                 |                           |               |               | Income   |
| (Cankurtaran et al., 2013)                 | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 2262      | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Blood pressure  |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Canon & Crimmins, 2011)                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 867       | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline  | Sarcopenia  | CRP/hs-CRP  |                            |                          | Nutrient biomarker patterns (NBPs) | Uric Acid       | Homocysteine (tHcy)       |               |               | Albumin (ALB)  |
| (Cheung, Nguyen, Au, Tan, & Kung, 2013)    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1145      | Frailty only                |  | Grip Strength   | eGFR  | TSH                        |                          | Chronic Disease 2 or more          |                 |                           |               |               | History of falls in past 12 months   |
| (Chiu et al., 2012)                        | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 60        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI   |   | Aβeta 1-42  |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Chin et al., 2008)                        | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 466       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   | Homocysteine (tHcy)   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Cho, Kivimäki, Bower, & Irwin, 2013)      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 4847      | Frailty only                |  | Fatigue   | CRP/hs-CRP  | IL-6                       |                          | Composite Score: CRP and IL-6      |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Roe et al., 2011)                         | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 247       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Aβeta 1-42  | t-tau                      |                          | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)           | t-tau/ Aβeta-42 |                           |               |               | P-tau181/Aβeta-42  |
|  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 213       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Aβeta42   | t-tau                      |                          | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)           | t-tau/ Aβeta-42 |                           |               |               | P-tau181/Aβeta-42  |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   | Composite Score: CRP, TG, IL-6, WBCs, Uric acid, HDL, GGT Glucose, Albumin, RBCs, Hematocrit, Alk. Phos, neutrophils, total protein, lymphocytes, chloride, hemoglobin, creatinine, ferritin, albumin GlycA                             |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Cohen et al., 2015)                       | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 3694      | Frailty only                |  | Fatigue, Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity                         |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Cohen-Manheim et al., 2015)               | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 507       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  | Fatigue, Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity (CHS/Rockwood measures) |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Collerton et al., 2012)                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 845       | Frailty only                |  |   | IL-6  | TNF-alpha                  | CRP/hs-CRP               | Neutrophils                        | Albumin (ALB)   | memory/naive B cell ratio |               |               | CD8  |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   | A-beta42, MMP-10, Cystatin-C, MCP-2, NT-proBNP, MIF, IGFBP-2, TRAIL, IL-33, FAS, TNF, p-tau181, Cortisol, Resistin, Insulin, ApoA1, p-tau181, Fibrinogen  |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Craig-Schapiro et al., 2011)              | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 333       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI (top 15 predictors-listed)   |   |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Deschamps et al., 2002)                   | 1b                | In Vitro Longitudinal Study                                   | 333       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   |   | IL-7                       |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Devanand et al., 2011)                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 103       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   | Aβeta 1-42/ Aβeta 1-40 ratio  | IADL                       |                          | ApoA1                              |                 |                           |               |               |  |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Doecke et al., 2012)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 39        | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI  |   |   | Aβeta-42                   |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               | Hemoglobin, Calcium, Interleukin 17, Beta2 microglobulin (B2M), CD40, Macrophage inflammatory protein 1 alpha, APOE e4, Epidermal growth factor receptor |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Doets et al., 2014)                       | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 247       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-2)  | Pancreatic peptide (PP)    | Carcinoembryonic antigen |                                    | Cortisol        | Homocysteine (tHcy)       |               |               | Vascular cell adhesion molecule1   |
| (Dregan, Stewart, & Gulliford, 2013)       | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 2203      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   | Cobalamin deficiency (B12)  | Folate                     |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
|  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 8780      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   | BMI   | Systolic pressure          |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Drey et al., 2013)                        | 1b                | Randomized control study                                      | 69        | Frailty only                |  | Sarcopenia  | C-terminal Aggrin Fragment (CAF)  |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Dumurgier et al., 2013)                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 52        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Aβeta 1-42  | p-tau181/tau ratio         |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Elosua et al., 2005)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1104      | Frailty only                |  | Physical Function   | ESR   | Uric Acid                  |                          | Fibrinogen                         |                 | IL-6                      | CRP/hs-CRP    | IL-1βeta      | IL-1 RA  |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   | Soluble receptor for advanced glycation end products (sRAGE)  |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Emanuele et al., 2005)                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 152       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Stomrud et al., 2010)                     | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 37        | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   | Aβeta 1-42  | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)   | ApoE-4 single allele     |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   | Macular pigment (MP) is comprised of the carotenoids lutein (L), zeaxanthin (Z), and meso-zeaxanthin (MZ) carotenoids are also present in the brain, and evidence suggests a close correlation between retinal and brain concentrations |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Feeney et al., 2013)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 4453      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Bouwman et al., 2007)                     | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 105       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's, MCI, Memory Complainers   |   | Aβeta 1-42  | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)   |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Fleisher et al., 2015)                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 54        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Aβeta 1-42  | t-tau                      |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Anne M. Fagan et al., 2007)               | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 139       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI   |   | t-tau   | Aβeta-42                   | P-tau181/Aβeta-42        |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |  |   |   |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (A. M. Fagan et al., 2014)                 | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 492       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's Disease  |   | Aβeta 1-42  | Aβeta1-42/ Aβeta1-40 ratio |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Forrienza et al., 2010)                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 258       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD  |   | Aβeta 1-42  | p-tau                      |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Noel G. Faux et al., 2011)                | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1122      | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Homocysteine (tHcy)   | Folate                     |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (N G Faux et al., 2014)                    | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1439      | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI   |   | IL-6  | ApoE-4 single allele       |                          | Anemia                             | Haptoglobin     | Folate                    |               |               | Hemoglobin   |
| (Fei, Jianghua, Rujuan, Wei, & Qian, 2011) | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 565       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD  |   | Aβeta 1-42  | Aβeta1-42/ Aβeta1-40 ratio |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Felicio et al., 2014)                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 221       | Frailty only                |  | Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity                                  | IL-6  |                            |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Gale, Baylis, Cooper, & Sayer, 2013)      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 2146      | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline  | Fatigue, Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity                         | CRP/hs-CRP  | Fibrinogen                 |                          | BMI                                |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Garcia et al., 2004)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 281       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   | Homocysteine (tHcy)   | Methylenic acid (MCA)      |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |
| (Berenguer et al., 2014)                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 39        | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline  |   | Aβeta 1-42/p-tau ratio  | P-tau181/Ab1-42 ratio      |                          |                                    |                 |                           |               |               |  |

| Citation   | Level of Evidence | Type of study design  | total (n) | Phenotype                   | Type of cognitive decline                   | Component of frailty                                    | Biomarker - 1   | Biomarker - 2  | Biomarker - 3   | Biomarker - 4                        | Biomarker - 5 | Biomarker - 6               | Biomarker - 7 | Biomarker - 8                     | Biomarker - 9 |
|--|-------------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| (Gattaz, Forlenza, Talib, Barbosa, & Bottino, 2004)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 49        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   | Phospholipase A2 (PLA2)   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Ghidoni et al., 2010)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 185       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   |   | ApoE-4 single allele   |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
|  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 59        | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD                       |   | Cystatin C  |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Ge Li et al., 2014)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 315       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | isoprostanes/isoprostanes   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
|  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 158       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   |   | Aβeta 1-42   |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Glodzik-Sobanska et al., 2009)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 78        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   |   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Goetzl et al., 2015)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 84        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Temporal Dementia (FTD)                     |   | Caespin D   | LAMP-1   | Ubiquitin   |                                      | HSP70         |                             |               |                                   |               |
|  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 60        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   | LAMP-1  |  | HSP70   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Gomes-Marcos et al., 2014)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1284      | Frailty only                | Alzheimer's disease                         | Physical Activity                                       | Fibrinogen  | CRP/hs-CRP   | Insulin resistance (IR-HOMA)  |                                      | Creatinine    | Glycohemoglobin (HbA1c)     | Triglyceride  | Hemoglobin                        |               |
| (Growdon et al., 2015)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 215       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | Olfactory measures  |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Gruenewald, Seeman, Karlamangla, & Sarkisian, 2009)                     | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 803       | Frailty only                | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Composite Score: Systolic BP, Diastolic BP, HDL, total/HDL ratio, glycosylated hemoglobin, waist-hip ratio, dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate, urinary cortisol, urinary norepinephrine, urinary epinephrine, fibrinogen, c-reactive protein, IL-6     |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Gupta et al., 2015)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1112      | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   | ApoE-4 single allele  |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                             |   |   | Composite Score: C-reactive protein (CRP) and serum amyloid A (SAA), cytokines such as tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF-α), interleukin-6 (IL-6), and interleukin-8 (IL-8), the enzyme myeloperoxidase (MPO), and the adhesion molecule 1 (sICAM-1) | Composite Score: von Willebrand factor (vWF), soluble vascular cell adhesion molecule 1 (sVCAM-1), soluble endothelial intercellular adhesion molecule-1 (sICAM-1) |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Heringa et al., 2014)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 363       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                   |   | CRP, TNF-α, IL-6, IL-8, SAA, MPO, sICAM-1   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Hohman, Bell, & Jefferson, 2015)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 279       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | Vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF)   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Howard, Ferrucci, & Sun, 2007)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 672       | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline                   | Grip Strength   | vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF)   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Hsu, Cumming, Naganathan, Blyth, & Handelsman, 2014)                    | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 955       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                   |   | Total Testosterone (TT)   | Free Testosterone (fTT)  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Llaw et al., 2016)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 205       | Frailty only                | General cognitive decline                   | Gait  | Follistatin   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Hye et al., 2014)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1148      | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   | CRP/hs-CRP  | ApoE-4 single allele   | Complement factor H (CFH) protein 1                                   | Neural cell adhesion molecule (NCAM) |               | Aβeta-40                    |               |                                   |               |
| (Hochstrasser, Ehrlich, Marksteiner, Sperner-Unterwegar, & Humpel, 2012) | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 103       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   | Epidermal growth factor (EGF)   | metalloproteinases (MMP-2)   |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Hendrickson et al., 2015)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 176       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | t-tau   | p-tau  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Hessen et al., 2015)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 122       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD                       |   | t-tau   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Henrik Zetterberg et al., 2008)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 87        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's, MCI progression to AD          |   | βeta-secretase (BACE-1)   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Inglés et al., 2014)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 742       | Frailty only                | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | malondialdehyde (MDA)   | Protein carbonyls  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Jefferson et al., 2007)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1926      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                   |   |   |  | Adhesion molecule soluble intercellular adhesion molecule-1 (sICAM-1) | Osteoprotegerin (OPG)                |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Jagielski et al., 2015)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 27971     | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                   |   | Glucose (FBG) or Insulin level (OGTT)   | CRP/hs-CRP   |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Hendrickson et al., 2015)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1677      | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline                   | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | CRP/hs-CRP  | IL-6   |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Barnett et al., 2011)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 144       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | Aβeta 1-42  |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Gomar et al., 2011)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 116       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD                       |   | t-tau   | Aβeta 1-42   | Aβeta1-42/t-tau ratio   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Kanai, Matsubara, Isoe, & Utakami, 1998)                                | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 60        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1)  | factor protein Binding Protein (IGFBP-3)   |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Kanai et al., 1998)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 236       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | Aβeta 1-42/ Aβeta 1-40 ratio  | t-tau  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Kantarci et al., 2007)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 197       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | N-acetylaspartate (NAA)/creatinine (Cr)   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Gruenewald et al., 2009)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 756       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                   |   | Cortisol  |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Kelly et al., 2015)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 226       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                   |   | Ocular measures   |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Kester et al., 2015)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 163       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD                       |   | Neruogranin (NGRN)  | Aβeta-42   |   | t-tau                                |               | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)    |               |                                   |               |
| (Kester et al., 2012)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 154       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's, MCI, MCI progression to AD     |   | F2-isoprostanes/isoprostanes  |  |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Kester et al., 2015)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 163       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD                       |   | (neuroinflammation or Chitinase-3 Ch3L3)  | YKL-40   |   |                                      |               |                             |               |                                   |               |
| (Simpson et al., 2016)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 59        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                    |   | IL-8  | Visinin-like protein-1 (VILIP-1)   |   | Aβeta42                              | TNF-alpha     |                             | t-tau         | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)          |               |
| (Kim et al., 2011)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 70        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | Aβeta 1-42  | Aβeta 1-40   | ApoE-εB4 single allele  |                                      |               |                             | Fibrinogen    | Platelet distribution width (PDW) |               |
| (Kleinschmidt et al., 2015)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 94        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's, MCI, General cognitive decline |   | Aβeta 1-42/ Aβeta 1-40 ratio  | Aβeta 1-42   |   |                                      |               |                             | IL-6          | PC aa 36:1                        |               |
| (Koal, Klavins, Seppi, Kemmler, & Humpel, 2015)                          | NA                | In Vitro  | 100       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                         |   | Aβeta 42  | t-tau  | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)  |                                      |               | Sphingolipid-SM(d18:1/18:0) |               | Glycerophospholipids              |               |

| Citation  | Level of Evidence | Type of study design  | total (n) | Phenotype                   | Type of cognitive decline                     | Component of frailty                                    | Biomarker - 1  | Biomarker - 2  | Biomarker - 3                                    | Biomarker - 4              | Biomarker - 5            | Biomarker - 6 | Biomarker - 7 | Biomarker - 8     | Biomarker - 9                   |           |
|---|-------------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| (Kobrosly, Seplaki, Jones, & van Wijngaarden, 2012)                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 4511      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                     |   | Composite: systolic and diastolic blood pressure, waist-to-hip ratio, glycohemoglobin, albumin, creatinine clearance, total cholesterol, triglycerides, WBC, resting heart rate, CRP |  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Kravitz, Corrada, & Kawas, 2009)                                       | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 305       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity |  | Sirtuin 1  | Sirtuin 2  | Sirtuin 3                  |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Kumar et al., 2014)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 200       | Frailty only                |   |   |  |  | Blood pressure                                   | BUN (blood urine nitrogen) |                          |               | Creatinine    | Albumin (ALB)     |                                 |           |
| (Kuyumcu et al., 2012)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 416       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           |   |  | Neutrophil/Lymphocyte ratio  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Lafaille-Magnan et al., 2013)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 73        | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                     |   |  | Olfactory measures   |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Laske et al., 2011)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 40        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's, General cognitive decline        |   |  | Brain derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF)   |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Licastro, Davis, Polazzi, Rossi, & Cucinotta, 1996)                    | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 40        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           |   | CRP/hs-CRP   | Alpha-1-antitrypsin (alpha1-AT)  | alpha 2-macroglobulin (A2M)                      |                            |                          |               | Ceruloplasmin | Acid glycoprotein | Alpha-1-antitrypsin (alpha1-AT) | Trasferin |
| (Licastro et al., 2001)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 28        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's, Vascular Dementia                |   |  | antichymotrypsin (ACT)   | Glutathione peroxidase (GSH-Px)                  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (G Li et al., 2007)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 174       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                      |   |  | Lactoferrin (LTF)  | ApoE-4 single allele                             |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Lilddalle et al., 2011)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 839       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                     |   |  | Holo-transcobalamin (holoTC)   | Cobalamin deficiency (B12)                       | Methylmalonic acid (MMA)   | Homocysteine (Hcy)       |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Zuliani et al., 2007)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 140       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Late-Onset Alzheimer Disease (LOAD), Vascular |   |  |  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Zubenko, Hughes III, & Stiffler, 2001)                                 | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 325       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Dementia                                      |   |  | IL-6   | IL-6   |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (H Zetterberg et al., 2007)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 100       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           |   | ApoE-4 two alleles   | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)   |  | Aβeta 1-42                 |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (A. M. Zelisko, D. R. Kerwin, 2010)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 89        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           |   |  | Waist circumference/waist-to-hip ratio   |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Zamroziewicz, Paul, Rubin, & Barbey, 2015)                             | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 40        | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                     |   |  | BMI  |  | Adiponectin                |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (S. X. Leng et al., 2009)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 696       | Frailty only                |   |   |  | Polysaturated fatty acids (O3PUFAs)/ n-6/n-3 ratio   |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Sean X. Leng et al., 2011)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 133       | Frailty only                |   | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity |  | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1)   |  | WBC                        |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Liu et al., 2014)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 230       | Frailty only                |   |   |  |  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Locascio et al., 2008)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 122       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                     |   |  | IL-6R  | IL-6   |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Lopez et al., 2008)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 274       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI progression to AD                         |   |  | eGFR   | Cystatin C                                       |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Luchsinger et al., 2007)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 327       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           |   |  | Aβeta-40   | Aβeta-42   | CRP/hs-CRP                 |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Luis et al., 2011)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 60        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                      |   |  | Aβeta 1-40   | Aβeta1-42  | Cystatin C                 |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Maeba, Nishimukai, Sakasegawa, Sugimori, & Hara, 2015)                 | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 440       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                      |   |  | Homocysteine (Hcy)   | Aβeta-42   | Aβeta-42                   | Aβeta-42/Aβeta-40        |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Mancinella et al., 2009)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 201       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                     |   |  | Aβeta-40   | Aβeta-42   | Aβeta-42/Aβeta-40          |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Marksteiner & Humpel, 2009)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 138       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                      |   |  | Peroxidase (POD)   | IL-6   | HDL (low/increased)        |                          |               |               | ApoA1             | ApoA2                           | ApoC2     |
| (Martin-Ruiz et al., 2011)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 852       | Cognition Decline & Frailty | General cognitive decline                     |   |  | Choline  | Ethanolamin                                      | PLsChol + PlsEtn           | PLsCho/PlsEtn Ratio      |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Matteini et al., 2008)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 700       | Frailty only                |   |   |  | plasmalogen (PlsCho)   | plasmalogen (PlsEtn)                             | Fibrinogen                 |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Niklas Mattsson et al., 2009)  | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1583      | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's,MCI,MCI progression to AD         |   |  | CRP/hs-CRP   | CRP/hs-CRP                                       |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Yin, Fan, Lin, Xu, & Zhang, 2014)                                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 114       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI   |   |  | glycogen synthase kinase-3 (GSK-3alpha)  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Yavuz et al., 2008)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 290       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           |   |  | Blood pressure, hematocrit, hemoglobin, MCV, RBC,WBC, lymphocytes, monocytes, neutrophils, sodium, phosphate, urate, creatinine, glucose, total protein, ALT, Albumin, calcium, HbA1c, TG, HDL, LDL, TC, ApoA1, Cortisol, ApoB, Free T3, Free T4, hsCRP, NT-pro BNP, Ferritin, |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Yano et al., 2010)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 210       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline                     |   |  | Grip Strength,Physical Function  | Homocysteine, Vit B12, Vit D, IL6, F2 alpha, CD8 |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Yarasheski, Bhasin, Sinha-Hikim, Pak-Loduca, & Gonzalez-Cadavid, 2002) | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 95        | Frailty only                |   | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity |  | Homocysteine (Hcy)   | Cystathionine                                    | Cobalamin deficiency (B12) | Methylmalonic acid (MMA) | Carotenoids   |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Yang et al., 2011)   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 820       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's,MCI,MCI progression to AD         |   |  | Aβeta-42   | p-tau  | t-tau                      |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (S. H. Wu et al., 2014)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1005      | Frailty only                |   |   |  |  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (L. C. Wu, Shiesh, Kuo, & Lin, 2009)                                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 90        | Frailty only                |   |   |  |  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Wolfsgruber et al., 2015)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 245       | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI   |   |  |  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |
| (Wolfsgruber et al., 2015)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 245       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease                           |   |  |  |  |                            |                          |               |               |                   |                                 |           |

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|---|-------------------|---|-----------|------------------------|--|---|--|--|---|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| (Windham et al., 2014)                                      | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1857      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | Tumor necrosis factor receptor 2 (TNFR2) YKL-40  | Tumor necrosis factor receptor 1 (TNFR1) | CRP/hs-CRP                              | IL-6                       |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Wildsmith, Schauer, Mathews, & Honigberg, 2013)            | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 66        | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | (neuroinflammation of Chitinase-3 Ch3L3)   |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Wikby et al., 2005)  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 240       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | CD8  | IL-2                                     | IL-6                                    | Persistent viral infection |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Westin, Buchhave, Minthon, Janciauskiene, & Hansson, 2011) | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 149       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | Chemokine receptor 2 (CCR2)  | t-tau                                    |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Weise et al., 2015)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 54        | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | Aβeta1-42  | TNF-alpha                                | IL-6                                    |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Watanabe et al., 2015)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 131       | Frailty only           |  | Sarcopenia  | C1q  | Mean platelet volume (MPV)               |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (R. Wang, Jin, Li, & Liang, 2013)                           | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 360       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                   |   | Platelet distribution width (PDW)  | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)                 |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (L. Wang et al., 2013)                                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 207       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | Aβeta-42   | ApoE-4 single allele                     | Aβeta 1-42                              | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)   | Aβeta 1-42/t-tau ratio |               |               |               |               |
| (L. Wang et al., 2015)                                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 188       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | Aβeta-42   |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Madison, Shaw, Jack, & Weiner, 2010)                       | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 600       | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD                      |   | P-tau181/Aβeta-42  | ApoE-4 single allele                     | Aβeta 1-42                              | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)   | Aβeta 1-42/t-tau ratio |               |               |               |               |
| (N Mattsson et al., 2013)                                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 46        | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | Angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE)  | Chromogranin A (CgA)                     | Axl receptor tyrosine kinase (AXL)      | metalloproteinases (MMP-2) | Aβeta-42               | t-tau         | p-tau         |               |               |
| (Niklas Mattsson et al., 2015)                              | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 35        | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI progression to AD |   | Aβeta-42   | ApoE-2 single allele                     | ApoE-4 single allele                    |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Meng et al., 2015)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1131      | Frailty only           |  | Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity         | CRP/hs-CRP   |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Mielke, Bandaru, et al., 2010)                             | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 100       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | Ceramides C16:0  | Ceramides C20:0                          | Stearoyl sphingomyelin [SM(39:1)]       |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Mielke et al., 2011)                                       | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 120       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | DHSM/DHC ratio   | SM/ceramide ratio                        |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Mielke, Haughey, et al., 2010)                             | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 63        | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                   |   | Ceramides C22:0 F2-isoprostanes/fisoprostane   | Ceramides C26:0                          |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (De Leon et al., 2006)                                      | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 16        | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD                      |   |  | Aβeta-40                                 | P-tau231                                |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Mocchegiani et al., 2012)                                  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 346       | Frailty only           |  | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Ratio-Zinc /Copper (Czr)   | IL-6                                     | Albumin (ALB)                           | Blood urea nitrogen        | Total Cholesterol      | CRP           |               |               |               |
| (Hessen et al., 2015)                                       | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 122       | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD                      |   | t-tau  |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Moore et al., 2015)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 24        | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | IL-6   | CRP/hs-CRP                               | Waist circumference/waist-to-hip ratio  |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Moreno et al., 2014)                                       | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 120       | Frailty only           |  | Gait,Physical Activity                                  | CRP/hs-CRP   | Insulin resistance (IR-HOMA)             |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Thambisetty, Metter, et al., 2013)                         | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 197       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | Glucose (FBG) or Insulin level (OGTT)  |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Muldoon et al., 2010)                                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 280       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | Docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)   |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Muzembo et al., 2014)                                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 86        | Frailty only           |  | Grip Strength   | Serum 8-hydroxy-2'-deoxyguanosine (8-OHdG)   |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (A. Ng, Jion, Zainal, & Kandiah, 2014)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 64        | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | Creatinine   |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Noble et al., 2010)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1331      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | CRP/hs-CRP   | CRP/hs-CRP                               |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (T. P. Ng, Niti, Feng, Xua, & Yap, 2009)                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1654      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | Albumin (ALB)  | Albumin (ALB)                            |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
|   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1654      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | Albumin (ALB)  | Albumin (ALB)                            |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Nurk et al., 2013)   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 2195      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | Choline  | Cobalamin deficiency                     | Methylmalonic acid (MMA)                |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (O'Bryant, Waring, et al., 2010)                            | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 366       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | plasmalogen(PisCho) CRP/hs-CRP   | (B12)                                    |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
|   |                   |   |           |                        |  |   | Composite Score: 10 (macrophage inflammatory protein 1, eotaxin 1, tumor necrosis factor-alpha, fibrinogen, interleukin 5 [IL-5], IL-7, IL-10, C-reactive protein, monocyte chemoattractant protein 1, and von Willebrand factor)                      |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (O'Bryant, Waring, et al., 2010)                            | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 400       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   |  |  | Extracellular heat shock protein (eHsp) |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Ogawa et al., 2012)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 665       | Frailty only           |  | Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength                           | IL-6   | 72                                       | TNF-alpha                               |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
|   |                   |   |           |                        |  |   | Composite Score: metabolites: three amino acids (glutamic acid, alanine, and aspartic acid), one non-esterified fatty acid (22:6n-3, DHA), one bile acid (deoxycholic acid), one phosphatidylethanolamine [PE(36:4)], and one sphingomyelin [SM(39:1)] |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Olazaran et al., 2015)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 251       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI                   |   |  |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Olazaran et al., 2015)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 57        | Frailty only           |  | Gait,Sarcopenia,Physical Function                       | IL-6   |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Forlenza et al., 2010)                                     | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 258       | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD                      |   | Aβeta-42   | t-tau                                    | p-tau                                   | ApoE-4 single allele       |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Ozturk et al., 2013)                                       | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 330       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease                        |   | Platelet distribution width (PDW)  | ESR                                      | CRP/hs-CRP                              | Albumin (ALB)              | LDL                    |               |               |               |               |
| (Pabst et al., 2015)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 940       | Frailty only           |  | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Vitamin D (25(OH)D)  |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Papassotiropoulos et al., 2000)                            | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 53        | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline                  |   | 24S-hydroxycholesterol   | t-tau                                    | ApoE-4 single allele                    | Aβeta-42                   |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Buchhave et al., 2009)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 45        | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD                      |   | Composite Score: adipometabolic profile (AMP) and albumin, triglycerides, homocysteine, folate, total cholesterol  |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |
| (Perna, Guido, Grassi, & Rondanelli, 2015)                  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 290       | Frailty only           |  | Sarcopenia  |  |  |   |                            |                        |               |               |               |               |



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| (Perrin et al., 2011)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 292                       | Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline  |   | YKL-40<br>(neuroinflammation or Chitinase-3 Ch3L3)  | Transthyretin (TTR)                         | NrCAM  | Chromogranin A (CgA)               |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Pirttilä et al., 1998)<br>(P. et al., 2013)  | 1b<br>1b             | Longitudinal Study<br>Longitudinal Study   | 25<br>396                 | Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only   | MCI progression to AD<br>Alzheimer's disease   |   | ApoE-4 single allele<br>Aβeta-42<br>Medication (ACE inhibitor)  | sAβeta/APP ratio<br>ApoE-4 single allele    | Soluble amyloid βeta protein (sAβeta)        |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Qiu et al., 2014)  | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 355                       | Cognitive Decline Only   | Alzheimer's disease  |   | F2-<br>isoprostanates/isoprostanate   |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Quinn et al., 2004)  | 1b                   | Longitudinal Study   | 40                        | Cognitive Decline Only   | Alzheimer's disease  |   |   |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Quintino-Santos et al., 2015)  | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 1480                      | Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline  |   | ApoE-4 single allele  |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Rabassa et al., 2015)  | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 652                       | Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline  |   | Total Urinary polyphenols (TUPs)  |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Rasgon et al., 2011)<br>(Rembach et al., 2014)   | 2b<br>1b             | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Longitudinal Study  | 50<br>1112                | Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline<br>MCI   |   | Insulin resistance (IR-HOMA)<br>Aβeta 1-42  | Aβeta 1-40                                  | Aβeta 1-40                                   |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Reuben, Judd-Hamilton, Harris, & Seeman, 2003)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 870                       | Frailty only   |  | Physical Activity   | IL-6  | CRP/hs-CRP                                  |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Revel et al., 2015)<br>(Riemschneider et al., 2002)  | 1b<br>1b             | Longitudinal Study<br>Longitudinal Study   | 97<br>28                  | Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline<br>Alzheimer's disease, MCI                                  |   | Glutathione peroxidase (GS4-Px)<br>t-tau<br>Composite Score:<br>Allostatic load+ HDL/TC ratio, Triglycerides, A1c, fibrinogen, C-reactive protein, waist-to-hip ratio, systolic and diastolic blood pressure, and lung function (PEF).<br>(all 9 belong to the highest 25% indicating health risk) composite allostatic load score.<br>(inflammation, cardiovascular, metabolic, body fat, and respiratory) |   |  | Aβeta-42                           |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Read & Grundy, 2014)<br>(Rgsler, Wichart, & Jellinger, 2001)<br>(Ruiz et al., 2013)<br>(Såmgård et al., 2010)              | 1b<br>2b<br>2b<br>1b | Longitudinal Study<br>Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Longitudinal Study | 6132<br>170<br>140<br>142 | Frailty only<br>Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only | Frailty only<br>Alzheimer's disease<br>Alzheimer's disease, MCI<br>Alzheimer's disease | Gait, Physical Function                                     | t-tau<br>Diastolic pressure<br>t-tau<br>Waist   | Aβeta-42<br>Hematocrit<br>p-tau             | IL-6<br>IgA                                  | ApoE-4 single allele<br>Creatinine | Homocysteine (Htcy) | Urea          | Uric acid     |               |               |
| (Sanada et al., 2010)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 1488                      | Frailty only   |  | Sarcopenia, Grip Strength                                   | Circumference/waist-to-hip ratio<br>DHEAS<br>(dehydroepiandrosterone sulphate)  | Glycohemoglobin (HbA1c)                     |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Sanders et al., 2010)  | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 989                       | Cognition Decline & Frailty  | General cognitive decline  | Gait, Grip Strength   | plasma desmosterol-to-cholesterol ratio<br>(DES/CHO)<br>plasma desmosterol-to-cholesterol ratio<br>(DES/CHO)  |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Sato et al., 2015)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 401                       | Cognitive Decline Only   | Alzheimer's disease  |   | Derivate of reactive oxygen metabolites (d-ROM)   |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Saum et al., 2015)<br>(Egli et al., 2015)  | 2b<br>1a             | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Longitudinal Study  | 2518<br>36                | Frailty only<br>Cognitive Decline Only   | Frailty only<br>MCI progression to AD  | Fatigue, Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity | Aβeta 1-42  | CRP/hs-CRP                                  | thol level (TTL)                             |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Schaap, Pluijm, Deeg, & Visser, 2006)<br>(Schofield, Ebrahimi, Jones, Bateman, & Murray, 2012)<br>(Von Arnim et al., 2012) | 1b<br>2b<br>2b       | Longitudinal Study<br>Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)                       | 986<br>56<br>232          | Frailty only<br>Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only                           | Frailty only<br>MCI progression to AD<br>General cognitive decline                     | Sarcopenia, Grip Strength                                   | IL-6  | CRP/hs-CRP                                  | alpha-1-antichymotrypsin (ACT)               |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Vieira et al., 2011)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 3150                      | Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline  |   | Olfactory measures<br>Vitamin C<br>Tumor necrosis factor receptor 1 (TNFR1)   | Beta-Carotene                               | Blood pressure                               | HDL (low/increased)                |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (S. Vestergaard et al., 2009)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 1055                      | Frailty only   |  | Fatigue, Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity | IL-6  | CRP/hs-CRP                                  | ft3  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (P. F. Vestergaard et al., 2014)<br>(Verghese et al., 2011)   | 2b<br>2b             | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)   | 150<br>333                | Frailty only<br>Frailty only   | Frailty only   | Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Gait                             | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1)<br>IL-6  |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Velayudhan, Pritchard, Powell, Proitsi, & Lovestone, 2013)<br>(L. Van Den Ingh, A. Ahmed, 2011)                            | 2b<br>2b             | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)   | 57<br>254                 | Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only   | Alzheimer's disease<br>General cognitive decline                                       |   | Olfactory measures<br>Total bilirubin   |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (van den Boogaard et al., 2011)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 100                       | Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline  |   | TNF-alpha   | IL-6  | Macrophage Migration Inhibitory Factor (MIF) | IL-8                               | IL-1RA              |               |               |               |               |
| (Urpi-Sarda et al., 2015)<br>(Umegaki et al., 2000)   | 2b<br>2b             | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)   | 811<br>66                 | Frailty only<br>Cognitive Decline Only   | Frailty only<br>MCI  | Fatigue, Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity | Total dietary polyphenols (TDPs)<br>Cortisol  | Total Urinary polyphenols (TUPs)            | IL-6   | CRP/hs-CRP                         | Total Cholesterol   |               |               |               |               |
| (Turana et al., 2014)   | 2b                   | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)  | 109                       | Cognitive Decline Only   | General cognitive decline  |   | Ocular measures<br>Plasminogen activator inhibitor (PAI-1)<br>Cystatin C  | Olfactory measures<br>Serum amyloid A (SAA) | CRP/hs-CRP                                   | TNF-alpha                          | IL-1 beta           |               |               |               |               |
| (Trollor et al., 2011)<br>(Sundelof et al., 2008)   | 1a<br>1b             | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies)<br>Longitudinal Study  | 710<br>761                | Cognitive Decline Only<br>Cognitive Decline Only   | MCI<br>MCI progression to AD   |   |   |   |  |                                    |                     |               |               |               |               |



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|--|-------------------|---|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| (Uchida et al., 2015)                                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 411       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI  |   | ApoA1                                    | Complement 3                      | Transthyretin (TTR)      |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 35        | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD     |   | Transthyretin (TTR)                      | ApoE-genotype                     |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Sunderland et al., 2003)                                | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 203       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Aβeta 1-42                               | t-tau                             |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Toledo, Xie, Trojanowski, & Shaw, 2013)                 | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 142       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI  |   | Aβeta 1-42                               | t-tau                             | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181) |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   | Insulin resistance (IR-HOMA)             |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Thuot et al., 2010)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 23        | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI  |   |  |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Satizabal, Zhu, Mazoyer, Dufouil, & Tzourio, 2012)      | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1841      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | IL-6                                     | CRP/hs-CRP                        |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Schoonenboom et al., 2005)                              | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 39        | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | Aβeta-42                                 | t-tau                             |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Schram et al., 2007)                                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 4365      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | CRP/hs-CRP                               | IL-6                              |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   |  | Composite Score: IL-6 and APOE e4 |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Semba et al., 2012)                                     | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 4365      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | IL-6                                     |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 804       | Frailty only           |                           | Sarcopenia, Grip Strength                                   | Klotho                                   |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Seppälä et al., 2011)                                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 131       | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD     |   | Aβeta-42                                 | t-tau                             | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181) |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)                 | Aβeta-42                          |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Shinkai et al., 1995)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 52        | Frailty only           |                           | Physical Activity   | Phytohemagglutinin                       | Pokeweed mitogen                  |                          | IL-2  | CXCL-10/IFN-gama    |               | IL-4          |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   | Brain derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Shimada et al., 2014)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 827       | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI                       |   |  |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Singh-Manoux, 2014)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 5217      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | IL-6                                     | CRP/hs-CRP                        |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 5217      | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | IL-6                                     |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Simpson et al., 2016)                                   |                   | In Vitro  | 107       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | PC 16:0/20:5                             | PC 16:0/22:6                      | PC 18:0/22:6             |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Colbert et al., 2004)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 3075      | Frailty only           |                           | Physical Activity   | phosphatidylcholine                      | phosphatidylcholine               | phosphatidylcholine      |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Snider et al., 2009)                                    | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 49        | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD     |   | IL-6                                     | CRP/hs-CRP                        |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Sohrabi et al., 2009)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 144       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | Aβeta-42                                 | t-tau                             | p-tau                    |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (F. Song et al., 2012)                                   | 1a                | Longitudinal Study  | 664       | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD     |   | Olfactory measures                       |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (I.-U. Song, Chung, Kim, & Maeng, 2015)                  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 538       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease       |   | ApoA1                                    | ApoA2                             | ApoH                     | ApoB/ApoA1 ratio                                      |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   | CRP/hs-CRP                               |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Spiegel et al., 2015)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 115       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease       |   | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181)                 |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   |  | P-tau231                          |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Stricker et al., 2012)                                  | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 342       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease, MCI  |   | Aβeta-42                                 |                                   | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181) |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (M. Soundararajan et al., 2011)                          | 1b                | Randomized control study                                      | 100       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | Neurofilament light chain (NFL)          |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Skillbäck, Zetterberg, Blennow, & Mattsson, 2013)       | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 5542      | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Neurofilament light chain (NFL)          |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Teunissen et al., 2003)                                 | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 144       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | Homocysteine (Hcy)                       |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Stomrud, Minthon, Zetterberg, Blennow, & Hansson, 2015) | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 44        | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD     |   | Aβeta-42                                 |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Tapiola et al., 2009)                                   | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 123       | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease       |   | t-tau                                    | Aβeta-42                          | alpha-secretase (ADAM10) | Ah/h-actin  | APP ratio           |               |               |               |               |
| (Tang, Hynan, Baskin, & Rosenberg, 2006)                 | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 41        | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease       | Fatigue, Gait, Sarcopenia, Grip Strength, Physical Activity | βeta-secretase (BACE-1)                  | Parathyroid hormone (PTH)         |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Tajar et al., 2013)                                     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1504      | Frailty only           |                           | Gait, Grip Strength, Physical Activity, Physical Function   | Vitamin D (25(OH)D)                      | Lipopolysaccharide                |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Stehle et al., 2012)                                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 59        | Frailty only           |                           |   | binning protein (LBP)                    | CRP/hs-CRP                        |                          | Tumor necrosis factor receptor 1 (TNFR1)              |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   |  |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               | YKL-40        |
| (Sutphen et al., 2015)                                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 169       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | Aβeta-42                                 | t-tau                             | phosphoTau181 (P-tau181) | Visinin-like protein-1 (VILIP-1) or Chitinase-3 Ch3L3 | (neuroinflammation) |               |               |               |               |
| (Stanga, Lanni, Sinforiani, Mazzini, & Racchi, 2012)     | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 67        | Cognitive Decline Only | MCI progression to AD     |   | Unfolded p53                             |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Tay et al., 2014)                                       | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 44        | Frailty only           |                           | Sarcopenia  | IL-6                                     | WBC                               | Albumin (ALB)            |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Allard, Artero, & Ritchie, 2003)                        | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 372       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | Medication (Psychoactive drugs)          |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Bernhard T. Baune et al., 2008)                         | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 369       | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   | IL-8                                     | IL-1 βeta                         |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Gray et al., 2015)                                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 3434      | Cognitive Decline Only | Alzheimer's disease       |   |  |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
|  |                   |   |           |                        |                           |   | Medication (Anticholinergic)             |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Fox et al., 2011)                                       | 1a                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 13004     | Cognitive Decline Only | General cognitive decline |   |  |                                   |                          |   |                     |               |               |               |               |

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|---|-------------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---------------|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| (Ferrucci et al., 2002)                           | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 620       | Frailty only                |                           | Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Function         | IL-6                                  |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Boxer, Dausser, Walsh, Hager, & Kenny, 2008)     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 60        | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Vitamin D (25(OH)D)                   | Cortisol/DHEAS ratio               | CRP/hs-CRP                                 | IL-6          | Parathyroid hormone (PTH)                 |               |               |               |               |
| Butchart, Birch, Bassily, Wolfe, & Holmes, 2013)  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 94        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Free Testosterone (cFT)               | LH                                 | TNF-alpha                                  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Beavers, Beavers, Serra, Bowden, & Wilson, 2009) | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 7544      | Frailty only                |                           | Sarcopenia  | Uric Acid                             |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Barzilay, 2007)                                  | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 3141      | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Glucose (FBG) or Insulin level (OGTT) | WBC                                | CRP/hs-CRP                                 |               | Von Willebrand Factor                     |               |               |               |               |
| (Kizilarslanoglu et al., 2015)                    | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 69        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | Resistin                              |                                    |  |               | Fibrinogen                                | Vllc          |               |               |               |
| (Schmaltz et al., 2005)                           | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 724       | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | IL-6                                  | Cytomegalovirus (CMV)              |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Roubenoff et al., 2003)                          | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 403       | Frailty only                |                           | Sarcopenia  | TNF-alpha                             | IL-6                               | Insulin like growth factor protein (IGF-1) |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Kumar et al., 2013)                              | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 93        | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease, MCI  |   | Sirtuin/SIRT1                         |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (S. Leng, Chaves, Koenig, & Walston, 2002)        | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 30        | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | IL-6                                  | Hemoglobin                         | Hematocrit                                 |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (S X Leng, Xue, Tian, Walston, & Fried, 2007)     | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 558       | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | WBC                                   | IL-6                               |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Levine & Crimmins, 2012)                         | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 2287      | Frailty only                |                           | Sarcopenia,Physical Activity,Physical Function          | CRP/hs-CRP                            | HOMA                               |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Liaw et al., 2016)                               | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 205       | Frailty only                |                           | Gait,Grip Strength                                      | Follistatin Medication                |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Paterniti, Dufouil, & Alperovitch, 2002)         | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1389      | Cognitive Decline Only      | MCI                       |   | (Benzodiazepine)                      |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Puts, Visser, Twisk, Deeg, & Lips, 2005)         | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1271      | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Vitamin D (25(OH)D)                   |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
|   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 885       | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Vitamin D (25(OH)D)                   | CRP/hs-CRP                         |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Paterniti et al., 2002)                          | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 32        | Frailty only                |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | IL-6                                  | CXCL-10/ IFN-gama Medication       |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Uusvaara et al., 2009)                           | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 295       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | (Anticholinergic)                     | (Anticholinergic)                  |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Visser et al., 2002)                             | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 3075      | Frailty only                |                           | Sarcopenia,Grip Strength                                | IL-6                                  | IL-6                               |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Wichmann et al., 2014)                           | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1947      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | IL-6                                  | CRP/hs-CRP                         |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Wilson, Cohen, & Pieper, 2003)                   | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 1752      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | D-dimer                               | IL-6R                              |  |               | Vascular cell adhesion molecule 1 (VCAM1) |               |               |               |               |
| (Yaffe et al., 2008)                              | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 3030      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | Cystatin C Medication                 |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Retrospective et al., 2011)                      | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 134       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | (Anticholinergic)                     |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Lancôt et al., 2014)                             | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 131       | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | (Anticholinergic)                     | Medication (Hypertensive drug use) |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Sharma et al., 2016)                             | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1315      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | Adiponectin                           | (PTX3)                             |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Mooijaart et al., 2013)                          | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 5653      | Cognitive Decline Only      | General cognitive decline |   | IL-6                                  |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Herukka et al., 2011)                            | 1b                | Longitudinal Study  | 123       | Cognitive Decline Only      | Alzheimer's disease       |   | p-tau                                 | Aβeta-42                           |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |
| (Jansen et al., 2016)                             | 2b                | Observational (Cohort, Cross Sectional, Case-Control Studies) | 1705      | Frailty (pre-frail & frail) |                           | Fatigue,Gait,Sarcopenia,Grip Strength,Physical Activity | Medication (Anticholinergic)          |                                    |  |               |   |               |               |               |               |

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Table II. Genetic studies for cognitive decline and frailty

| Citation   | Study country           | Type of Study                          | Total (n) | Primary focus of Study | Gene                | SNP                | Chromosome | Effect/Minor allele |
|--|-------------------------|--|-----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------|
| (A.A. et al., 2014)  | Australia               | Candidate Gene Study                   | 292       | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs2298813          | 11         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs4935774          | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs1133174          | 11         | G                   |
| (Chibnik et al., 2011)   | US                      | Candidate Gene Study                   | 1666      | Cognitive Decline      | CR1                 | rs6656401          | 1          | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PICALM              | rs7110631          | 11         | G                   |
| (Choi et al., 2003)  | Korea                   | Candidate Gene Study                   | 13667     | Cognitive Decline      | ApoE-genotype       | rs429358_rs7412    | 19         | e4                  |
| (Dixon et al., 2014)   | Canada                  | Candidate Gene Study                   | 237       | Cognitive Decline      | ApoE-genotype       | rs429358_rs7412    | 19         | e4                  |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | COMT                | rs4680             | 22         | G                   |
| (Erten-Lyons, Jacobson, Kramer, Grupe, & Kaye, (Fiocco et al., 2010) | US                      | Candidate Gene Study                   | 243       | Cognitive Decline      | FAS                 | RS1468063          | 10         | T                   |
|  | US                      | Candidate Gene Study                   | 2840      | Cognitive Decline      | COMT                | rs4680             | 22         | G                   |
| (Goh et al., 2015)   | Singapore               | Candidate Gene Study                   | 27        | Cognitive Decline      | TOMM40              | rs10524523         | 19         | T                   |
| (Green et al., 2014)   | US                      | Candidate Gene Study                   | 160       | Cognitive Decline      | ApoE-genotype       | rs429358 or rs7412 | 19         | e4                  |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CLU                 | rs11136000         | 8          | C                   |
| (Lillenes et al., 2011)  | Norway                  | Candidate Gene Study                   | 1066      | Cognitive Decline      | OGG1                | rs1052133          | 3          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | OGG1                | rs1052133          | 3          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | APEX1               | rs1048945          | 14         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MUTYH               | rs3219484          | 1          | C                   |
| (Wang et al., 2015)  | Australia               | Candidate Gene Study                   | 619       | Cognitive Decline      | EPHA1               | rs11771145         | 7          | A                   |
| (Schmidt, Wolff, Von Ahsen, & Zerr, 2012)                            | Germany                 | Candidate Gene Study                   | 40        | Cognitive Decline      | CST3                | rs1064039          | 20         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | EXOC3L2 or XTP7     | rs597668           | 19         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ApoE-e4 two alleles | rs429358_rs7412    | 19         | e4/4                |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | BIN1                | rs744373           | 2          | G                   |
| (Thambisetty et al., (Hohman, Koran, & Thornton-Wells, 2014)         | US                      | Candidate Gene Study                   | 57        | Cognitive Decline      | CR1                 | rs3818361          | 1          | A                   |
| (Hollingworth et al.,  | Australia               | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 374       | Cognitive Decline      | POT1                | rs4728019          | 7          | A                   |
|  | ADGC-Multi-center study | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 30172     | Cognitive Decline      | ABCA7               | rs3764650          | 19         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MS4A6A              | rs610932           | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MS4A4E              | rs670139           | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CD2AP               | rs9349407          | 6          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CD33                | rs3865444          | 19         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | EPHA1               | rs11767557         | 7          | C                   |
| (Kauwe et al., 2014)   | US                      | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 840       | Cognitive Decline      | IL-6R               | rs4845622          | 1          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | IL-6R               | rs61812598         | 1          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | IL-6R               | rs4129267          | 1          | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | IL-6R               | rs2228145          | 1          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | IL-6R               | rs2229238          | 1          | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TDRD10              | rs3811448          | 1          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL2                | rs2228467          | 3          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL4                | rs6808835          | 3          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL4                | rs6762266          | 3          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL4/LOC102724297   | rs11575821         | 3          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL4/LOC102724297   | rs113263161        | 3          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL4                | rs11574428         | 3          | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL4                | rs3092960          | 3          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CCL4                | rs6441977          | 3          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MMP3                | rs573521           | 11         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MMP3                | rs645419           | 11         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MMP3                | rs679620           | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | WTAPP1              | rs7926920          | 11         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | WTAPP1              | rs11225434         | 11         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MMP3                | rs948399           | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | WTAPP1              | rs495366           | 11         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MMP3                | rs650108           | 11         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | WTAPP1              | rs603050           | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ACE                 | rs4968782          | 17         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ACE                 | rs4459609          | 17         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ACE                 | rs4316             | 17         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ACE                 | rs4343             | 17         | G                   |
| (Hu et al., 2011)  | US                      | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 1605      | Cognitive Decline      | UBR5                | rs7840202          | 8          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PARP6               | rs11637611         | 15         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ACOT11/LOC105378734 | rs12752888         | 1          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs3784313          | 15         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs2957734          | 15         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs4777466          | 15         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs7175373          | 15         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs1481862          | 15         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs7497104          | 15         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs2929525          | 15         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MYO9A               | rs2306489          | 15         | T                   |
| (Desikan et al., 2016)   | IGAP-Multi-center study | Candidate Gene Study                   | 143878    | Cognitive Decline      | AP2A2               | rs7396366          | 11         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | USP50               | rs1311609          | 15         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TSPOAP1             | rs2526378          | 17         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | HS35T1/LOC107986178 | rs13113697         | 4          | T                   |
| (Feulner et al., 2010)   | Germany                 | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 970       | Cognitive Decline      | ECHDC3              | rs7920721          | 10         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MAPT                | rs1467967          | 17         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MAPT                | rs3785880          | 17         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | KANSL1              | rs6503454          | 17         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MAPT-AS1            | rs1158660          | 17         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PCK1                | rs17411904         | 20         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | LMNA                | rs9919256          | 1          | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | LMNA                | rs11578696         | 1          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | LMNA                | rs915179           | 1          | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | LMNA                | rs12128066         | 1          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SEMA4A              | rs12401573         | 1          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | LIPA                | rs12780342         | 10         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PGBD1               | rs9461448          | 6          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ZSCAN31             | rs7772827          | 6          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PGBD1               | rs1320879          | 8          | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CH25H               | rs17117126         | 10         | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ApoE-genotype       | rs405509           | 19         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TOMM40              | rs8106922          | 19         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TOMM40              | rs2075650          | 19         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TOMM40              | rs157580           | 19         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | APOC1               | rs439401           | 19         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | APOC2               | rs5167             | 19         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs4935774          | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs1614735          | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs12576704         | 11         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs10502262         | 11         | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORL1               | rs3781835          | 11         | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TDRD10              | rs3811448          | 1          | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TDRD10              | rs7556449          | 1          | G                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | UBE2Q1              | rs7543174          | 1          | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ADAR                | rs9427097          | 1          | G                   |
| (Del-Aguila et al., 2015)  | US                      | Candidate Gene Study                   | 3476      | Cognitive Decline      | ABCA7               | rs4147929          | 19         | A                   |
| (Corneveaux et al.,  | US, UK                  | Candidate Gene Study                   | 1600      | Cognitive Decline      | CR1                 | rs6656401          | 1          | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | LOC651924           | rs6907175          | 6          | A                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CLU                 | rs11136000         | 8          | T                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PICALM              | rs541458           | 11         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | GAB2                | rs10793294         | 11         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ACE                 | rs1800764          | 17         | C                   |
|  |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | CST3                | rs1064039          | 20         | T                   |

| Citation                 | Study country           | Type of Study                          | Total (n) | Primary focus of study | Gene                  | SNP             | Chromosome | Effect/Minor allele |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------------|
| (Baune et al., 2008)     | Australia               | Candidate Gene Study                   | 369       | Cognitive Decline      | IL-1beta              | rs16944         | 2          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | IL-6                  | rs1800796       | 7          | G                   |
| (Lambert et al., 2009)   | France                  | Candidate Gene Study                   | 7275      | Cognitive Decline      | TNF                   | rs1800629       | 6          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | CR1                   | rs6656401       | 1          | A                   |
| (Lim et al., 2015)       | Australia               | Candidate Gene Study                   | 333       | Cognitive Decline      | CLU                   | rs11136000      | 8          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | BDNF                  | rs6265          | 11         | T                   |
| (Reitz et al., 2013)     | ADGC-Multi-center study | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 5896      | Cognitive Decline      | BIN1                  | rs55636820      | 2          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | ABCA7                 | rs115550680     | 19         | G                   |
| (Mooijaart et al., 2013) | US                      | Candidate Gene Study                   | 5804      | Cognitive Decline      | EPHA1                 | rs6973770       | 7          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | CR1                   | rs9429784       | 1          | G                   |
| (Forlenza et al., 2010)  | Brazil                  | Candidate Gene Study                   | 258       | Cognitive Decline      | CD33(rsq)             | rs114282264     | 19         | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | IL-6                  | rs1729941       | 2          | C                   |
| (Vounou et al., 2012)    | Australia               | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 475       | Cognitive Decline      | ApoE-e4 single allele | rs429358_rs7412 | 19         | e4                  |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | ApoE-genotype         | rs429358_rs7412 | 19         | e4                  |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | TOMM40                | rs2075650       | 19         | e4                  |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | BZW1                  | rs3815501       | 2          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs11132507      | 4          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs11132508      | 4          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MIR924HG              | rs1681052       | 18         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs7761213       | 6          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs17345545      | 1          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs13340334      | 5          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PDZD2                 | rs17103124      | 14         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs8025706       | 15         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | FAM171B               | rs12185469      | 18         | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | YES1                  | rs12185470      | 18         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | YES1                  | rs12185470      | 18         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | TEAD1                 | rs10766003      | 11         | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs1503659       | 4          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs913587        | 9          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | KDM4C                 | rs17380902      | 2          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs17686103      | 5          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | LINC01019             | rs17686103      | 5          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | C2orf88               | rs785232        | 2          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs4771473       | 13         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs11740943      | 5          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs7536709       | 1          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs17516202      | 18         | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | YES1                  | rs157580        | 19         | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | TOMM40                | rs1750304       | 1          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MEF2D                 | rs1171560       | 1          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | MEF2D                 | rs9263844       | 6          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs9263846       | 6          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs7999394       | 13         | G                   |
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|                          |                         |  |           |                        | MTRF1                 | rs11590365      | 1          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs11204949      | 1          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs11204971      | 1          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs12405278      | 1          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs215340        | 12         | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs7603289       | 2          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs11144246      | 9          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | OSTF1                 | rs6910087       | 6          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | MICA                  | rs4685279       | 3          | C                   |
| (Vounou et al., 2012)    | Australia               | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 475       | Cognitive Decline      | ARHGEF10              | rs3824139       | 8          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs6932730       | 6          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MEF2D                 | rs1750304       | 1          | A                   |
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|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs795342        | 12         | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs10026499      | 4          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs7979925       | 12         | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs2325          | 10         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs7944761       | 11         | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs9501132       | 6          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs215347        | 12         | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs2268939       | 3          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | USP13                 | rs6429696       | 1          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | KAZ                   | rs11215380      | 11         | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs727432        | 5          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs11783329      | 8          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ADCY2                 | rs7114756       | 11         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs17309585      | 8          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | MAML2                 | rs10491327      | 5          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs12534148      | 7          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | PDE1C                 | rs2883782       | 2          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | MYO3B                 | rs2798062       | 9          | A                   |
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|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs17826780      | 4          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs7843577       | 8          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs2075650       | 19         | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs1405443       | 7          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs758491        | 16         | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | RBFOX1                | rs914166        | 21         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs11150643      | 16         | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs1981664       | 2          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs10206058      | 2          | G                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | COX7A2L               | rs717963        | 9          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        | PAPPA                 | rs10509839      | 10         | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs763732        | 14         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs6884345       | 5          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs11242336      | 5          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs10994250      | 10         | A                   |
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|                          |                         |  |           |                        | ANK3                  | rs3912887       | 4          | A                   |
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|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs13132552      | 4          | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | SORBS2                | rs12633719      | 3          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs9522088       | 13         | T                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs885339        | 13         | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs2381958       | 5          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      |                       | rs10041184      | 5          | A                   |
|                          |                         |  |           |                        |                       | rs4265409       | 1          | C                   |
|                          |                         |  |           | Cognitive Decline      | ANTXR1                | rs7584948       | 2          | G                   |

| Citation  | Study country        | Type of Study                          | Total (n) | Pimary focus of study | Gene                  | SNP                | Chromosome                             | Effect/Minor allele |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|---|----------------------|--|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|--------|------------------|-------------------|----|----|
| (Vounou et al., 2012)                           | Australia            | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 475       | Cognitive Decline     | TENM4                 | rs501435           | 11                                     | C                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | rs1001684          | 5                                      | A                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | rs1257687          | 14                                     | A                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | rs7336788          | 13                                     | G                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | RPL37              | rs10065570                             | 5                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs6783007                              | 3                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs10070362                             | 5                   | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs9522086                              | 13                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs11946115                             | 4                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs7734346                              | 5                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs10155062                             | 5                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs1289501                              | 11                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs11949577                             | 4                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs13436090                             | 5                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs17370295                             | 3                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs3760961                              | 19                  | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs2965069                              | 7                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs478090                               | 11                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs2965245                              | 19                  | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs962492                               | 5                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | rs7963861                              | 12                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | PRSS12                                 | rs705837            | 4                 | T      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | MAP2K5                                 | rs11856999          | 15                | T      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | MGLL                                   | rs7653663           | 3                 | A      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  | rs12597064          | 16                | G      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | NDST3                                  | rs633398            | 4                 | C      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | NDST3                                  | rs631271            | 4                 | A      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | LVRN                                   | rs1529442           | 5                 | A      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | LVRN                                   | rs6864491           | 5                 | A      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | NRXN1                                  | rs10445932          | 2                 | C      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    | LVRN                                   | rs885120            | 5                 | G      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  | rs12236788          | 9                 | A      |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       | (Harold et al., 2009) | Multi-center study | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 16000               | Cognitive Decline | TOMM40 | rs2075650        | 19                | G  |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | CLU              | rs11136000        | 8  | G  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | PICALM           | rs3851179         | 11 | T  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | TOMM40           | rs157580          | 19 | T  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | NECTIN2          | rs6859            | 19 | G  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | TOMM40           | rs8106922         | 19 | A  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | SSB              | rs11894266        | 2  | G  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | MS4A6A           | rs610932          | 11 | T  |
|   | CNTN5                | rs10501927                             | 11        | T                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | C6orf155             | rs9446432                              | 6         | G                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | BIN1                 | rs7561528                              | 2         | C                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | BIN1                 | rs744373                               | 2         | A                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | MS4A6A               | rs662196                               | 11        | G                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | MS4A6A               | rs583791                               | 11        | C                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | MS4A4E               | rs676309                               | 11        | C                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | KCNU1                | rs1157242                              | 8         | C                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | DAB1                 | rs1539053                              | 1         | T                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | EMSY-AMC11orf30      | rs11827375                             | 11        | G                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | CR1                  | rs1408077                              | 1         | A                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | MIR1202/LOC101928923 | rs9384428                              | 6         | A                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | CR1                  | rs6701713                              | 1         | C                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   | CR1                  | rs3818361                              | 1         | A                     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Mengel-from et al.,                            | Denmark              | Candidate Gene Study                   | 1480      | Cognitive Decline     |                       |                    |  |                     |                   | Klotho | rs562020         | 13                | G  |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | Klotho           | rs398655          | 13 | G  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | Klotho-Haplotype | rs398655/rs562020 | 13 | C  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | Klotho           | rs2283368         | 13 | AG |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | Klotho           | rs9526984         | 13 | C  |
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|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | Klotho           | rs9527024         | 13 | G  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       |                    |  |                     |                   |        | Klotho           | rs648202          | 13 | A  |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | Klotho             | rs9536314                              | 13                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | Klotho             | rs9527025                              | 13                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Yokoyama et al., 2015)                         | US                   | Candidate Gene Study                   | 422       | Cognitive Decline     | Klotho                | rs1207568          | 13                                     | A                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | Klotho             | rs1207568                              | 13                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Hao, Ding, Gao, Yang, (Kachiwala et al., 2005) | China                | Candidate Gene Study                   | 706       | Cognitive Decline     | PRNP                  | rs1799990          | 20                                     | G                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | PRNP               | rs1799990                              | 20                  | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Korostishevsky et al.,                         | UK                   | Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) | 3953      | Lean body mass        | CYP3A5                | rs4646450          | 7                                      | A                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | SLCO1B1            | rs4363657                              | 12                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | SLC2A9             | rs737267                               | 4                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | GCKR               | rs1260326                              | 2                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | GCKR               | rs1260326                              | 2                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Mekil, Nazroo, Marshall, Kumari, &             | UK                   | Candidate Gene Study                   | 3160      | Frailty phenotype     | TNF                   | rs1800629          | 6                                      | A                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | PPRJ               | rs1566729                              | 11                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | PPRJ               | rs2047812                              | 11                  | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | PPRJ               | rs1566728                              | 11                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | ATM                | rs611646                               | 11                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | COMT               | rs4646316                              | 22                  | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | VDR                | rs731236                               | 12                  | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IFNG               | rs121913168                            | 12                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | MSTN               | rs397515373                            | 2                   | ClinVar           |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL-6               | rs1800796                              | 7                   | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Patel et al., 2014)                            | UK                   | Candidate Gene Study                   | 88        | Sarcopenia            | TNF                   | rs361525           | 6                                      | A                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL1R1              | rs28362304                             | 2                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL1R1              | rs949963                               | 2                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | TCN2               | rs1544468                              | 22                  | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | TCN2-pro259arg     | rs2267163                              | 22                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Matteini et al., 2008)                         | US                   | Candidate Gene Study                   | 326       | Frailty phenotype     | FASTKD3/MTRR          | rs1801394          | 5                                      | G                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL18               | rs5744256                              | 11                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Frayling et al., 2007)                         | Italy                | Candidate Gene Study                   | 1671      | Physical Function     | IL18                  | rs543810           | 11                                     | C                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL18               | rs1293344                              | 11                  | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL18               | rs1293344                              | 11                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Mekil, Marshall, Nazroo, Vanhoutte, &          | UK                   | Candidate Gene Study                   | 3160      | Frailty phenotype     | IL-18                 | rs360722           | 11                                     | A                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL-12A             | rs4679868                              | 3                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | IL-12A             | rs9852519                              | 3                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | LRP1               | rs1799986                              | 12                  | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | SELP               | rs6131                                 | 1                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | MTR                | rs1770449                              | 1                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | MTR                | rs10925235                             | 1                   | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | MTR                | rs2297967                              | 1                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | MTR                | rs10802569                             | 1                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | MTR                | rs4659725                              | 1                   | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
| (Ho et al., 2011)                               | US                   | Candidate Gene Study                   | 349       | Frailty phenotype     | MTR                   | rs1050993          | 1                                      | C                   |                   |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | FN1                | rs7567647                              | 2                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | CREBBP             | rs129968                               | 16                  | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | CASP8              | rs3769827                              | 2                   | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | CASP8              | rs6747918                              | 2                   | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | CASP8              | rs2037815                              | 2                   | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | CASP8              | rs6745051                              | 2                   | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | GST2               | rs2287396                              | 14                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | KAT2B              | rs2929408                              | 3                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | TIAM1              | rs2833383                              | 21                  | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | STAT1              | rs1400657                              | 2                   | T                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | TCN2               | rs740234                               | 22                  | C                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | BTRC               | rs10883642                             | 10                  | G                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | BTRC               | rs10883631                             | 10                  | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |
|   |                      |  |           |                       |                       | VTN                | rs2227729                              | 17                  | A                 |        |                  |                   |    |    |

Figure I. PubMed search strategy

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## Reproducibility

In seeking to explore the importance and applicability of these results it is critical that others continue to replicate model results before they can be used in the clinical setting. To accompany this report, help with replication and extension of our work, the code has been made publically available for model I and model II online.

## Database

The subjects in the present study were participants in *Invecchiare in Chianti* (Aging in Chianti, “InCHIANTI Study”). InCHIANTI is a prospective population based study of 1,453 adults aged 20-102 randomly selected from two towns in Tuscany, Italy using a multistage stratified sampling at baseline from 1998 to 2000<sup>1</sup>. All aspects of the InCHIANTI research were approved by the ethics committees at the institutions responsible for data collection.

## Definitions used to establish phenotype sub-groups in this study

### **Cognitive decline – mild neurocognitive disorders**

Evidence of modest cognitive decline from a previous level of performance in one or more cognitive domains (complex attention, executive function, learning and memory, language, perceptual motor, or social cognition) with a modest impairment in cognitive performance by standardized neuropsychological testing or clinical assessment in absence of a diagnosis of dementia<sup>2,34</sup>.

### **Frailty**

The operational definition for frailty is defined as a clinical syndrome condition including 3 out of the 5 criteria related a physical phenotype including: 1) weak muscle strength (grip strength), 2) slow gait speed, 3) unintentional weight loss, 4) exhaustion and low physical activity<sup>5</sup>. Pre-frailty includes 1 or 2 of the criteria is present, identifying a sub-group of individuals potentially progressing to frailty<sup>5</sup>.

### **Cognitive Frailty**

A syndrome in older adults with evidence of both physical frailty and cognitive impairment without a clinical diagnosis of Alzheimer’s Disease or other dementia<sup>6</sup>.

Phenotypic classification for this study

## Model I

Participants with an MMSE normal cognition 24-30 and cognitive decline  $\leq 23^{7-9}$ . In this study frailty is characterized by individuals with one or more of the frailty criterion<sup>5</sup>. Cognitive frailty is defined as individuals with cognitive decline and one or more of frailty criterion<sup>10</sup>.

- Robust with no physical frailty and absence of cognitive decline
- Robust with no physical frailty with cognitive (MMSE =  $\leq 23$ )
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criteria) and absence of cognitive decline
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criteria) and cognitive decline (MMSE =  $\leq 23$ )

## Model II

Participants that completed the MMSE with additional neuropsychiatric testing Trail Making Test, Part A and B (TMT) to define cognitive decline and cognitive frailty<sup>10,11</sup>. TMT cut off scores for cognitive decline are based on cut off norms established by Ashendorf et al., 2008.

- Robust with no physical frailty and absence of cognitive decline
- Robust with no physical frailty with cognitive decline (Trail A  $\geq 78$ , Trail B  $\geq 106$ )
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criteria) and cognitive decline (Trail A  $\geq 78$ , Trail B  $\geq 106$ )
- Frail ( $\geq 1$  criteria) and cognitive decline (Trail A  $\geq 78$ , Trail B  $\geq 106$ )

## Laboratory assay methods

At the baseline survey, most of the participants performed 24-hour urine collection early in the morning mid-stream sample urine for the routine examination. Total urinary polyphenols were measured at the Department of Food Science and Technology, School of Pharmacy, University of Barcelona, Spain. Prior to blood collection all participants consumed a diet free of meat and fish. Participants donated fasting blood samples for routine blood examinations. Blood collection was performed with the standard procedure method to prevent red cell hemolysis. The blood collection included two sets of collection tubes: one for routine tests and second for collecting specimens including serum, plasma, DNA for the biological bank. All routine blood tests, performed in the Laboratory of Clinical Chemistry and Microbiological Assays, Annunziata Hospital in Florence, Italy. Plasma fatty acids (FAs) were measured by the Section of Gerontology and Geriatrics, Department of Clinical and Experimental Medicine, Perugia, Italy.



The technique used was gas chromatography with a fused silica capillary column to achieve the optimum separation of the different fatty acids.

#### Software for analyses

All statistical analyses were carried out using R V. 3.2.1. R is free, open-source software that provides many statistical and graphic techniques. R packages used included 'glm2'-Fitting Generalized Linear Models, 'Ordinal'-Regression Models for Ordinal Data, and 'xgboost'-Extreme Gradient Boosting<sup>12-14</sup>. The software package PLINK, an analysis toolset was used for the management of genotype data and basic associating testing<sup>15,16</sup>.

#### Model generation

The predictive genetic and laboratory biomarkers were identified in a comprehensive systematic review and analyzed using an Extreme Gradient Boosting (xgboost) in R<sup>14</sup>. While boosting was initially developed for machine learning, 'xgboost' in R is based in boosted trees. Xgboost is an open source tool and a variant of the gradient boosting machine and uses a tree based model. Xgboost is used in this study for a supervised learning problem where the variables identified from the systematic review are used to predict three phenotypes cognitive decline, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty.

#### Evaluation of the model

With the use of any predictive model in machine learning there is a chance for inflated risk of capitalizing on chance features (over fitting) in the data. Over fitting of the integrative model was mitigated in two ways: 1) having a distinct training and validation process for the model and 2) using xgb in R which has a built-in parameter settings for selection to reduce poor predictive performance. *Internal validation*: A randomly assigned training subset was used to validate the model within the InCHIANTI cohort *in silico* (via simulation).

#### Calibration of the model

Parameter estimates for each predictive factor and associated descriptive statistics was evaluated to provide biological insight into the underpinnings of the classification algorithm. We first evaluated the calibration by partitioning the data into 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 75, 100 and 200 groups and then ran the calibration test. Next, we repeated tests for all possible values between 5-200 groups and evaluated the distribution of the test statistic. The best prediction

thresholds were determined using AUC, 87.7% for Model I and 86.4% for Model II. Population predictive features by phenotype ranked by gain for Model I are presented in Tables 4-6 and Model II Tables 7-9.

#### Genetic Data

Genotypic data was generated at the National Institute on Aging's Laboratory of Neurogenetics. Samples of genomic DNA extracted from leukocytes<sup>17</sup>. Genotypic data used for the model were extracted out of the binary Plink files from the InCHIANTI database. SNPs which could not be identified in the binary files were extracted from genotype imputed files, genotype imputation was completed with Minimac (V2). The SNPs included meet the following standard: per variant and per sample missingness < 5%, European ancestry, MAF < 0.001 and a  $r_{sq}$  < 0.3. Additionally, Samples were filtered for 95% or greater genotyping call rate, no ancestry outliers, and no sex discrepancies.

**Supplementary Data Table I: Laboratory values as they appear in the InCHIANTI Datasets by Clinical Category**

| Inflammatory/Immunity   | Nutrient Biomarker  | Lipid Metabolism                                  |
|---|---|---|
| BL Uric acid (mg/dL)  | BL Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area        | BL Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)              |
| BL Urinary cortisol ( $\mu$ g/mL)   | BL Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                  | BL Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)                |
| BL 24-hour urinary cortisol ( $\mu$ g/24 hours)                             | BL Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight      | BL Lipids: triglycerides (mg/dL)                  |
| BL C-reactive protein - low sensitivity ( $\mu$ g/mL)                       | BL Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid mols        | BL Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)                |
| BL C-reactive protein - high sensitivity ( $\mu$ g/mL)                      | BL Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area        | BL Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)                         |
| BL Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                           | BL Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                  |   |
| BL IL-6 high-sensitivity ELISA calculated from ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL) | BL Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight      | <b>Metabolomics(plasma lipids)</b>                |
| BL Soluble IL-6 receptor via ELISA (ng/mL)                                  | BL Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid mols        | BL Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area               |
| BL Interleukin-10 via ELISA (pg/mL)   | BL Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area   | BL Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area               |
| BL Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)       | BL Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid weight | BL Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area |
| BL Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)   | BL Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid mols   | BL Fatty acid C16:0 weight (mg/L)                 |

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| BL Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)    | BL Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                         | BL Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight      |
| BL Transforming growth factor-B1 (pg/mL)                           | BL Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (nmol/L)                        | BL Fatty acid C16:0 (μmol/L)                             |
| BL Tumor necrosis factor-α via multiplex technology (pg/mL)        | BL Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)           | BL Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid mols        |
| BL Soluble TNF-α receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)  | BL Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)           | BL Fatty acid C20:0 (arachidic) area                     |
| BL Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL) | BL Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (μmol/L) | BL Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid area        |
| BL TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)                   | BL Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (μmol/L) | BL Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)                        |
| BL Interleukin-8 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                              | BL Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)                     | BL Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid weight      |
| BL Interleukin-12 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                             | BL Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)                          | BL Fatty acid C20:0 (μmol/L)                             |
| BL Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)         | BL Total proteins (g/dL)   | BL Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid mols        |
| BL Macrophage inflammatory protein-1b via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)         | BL Albumin (%)   | BL Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 cis (eicosapentaenoic, EPA) area |
| BL Serum cortisol (μg/dL)  |  | BL Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area    |
| BL Serum cortisol (nmol/L)   |  | BL Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)                    |
| BL Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (μg/dL)                          |  | BL Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight  |
| BL Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (nmol/L)                         |  | BL Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 (μmol/L)                         |
| BL Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (based on nmols)                           |  | BL Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid mols    |
| BL Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)                                  |  | BL Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area                       |
| BL Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  |  | BL Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid area        |
| BL Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)                  |  | BL Fatty acid C22:0 weight (mg/L)                        |

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| BL Homocysteine via FPIA analysis ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )              |  | BL Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid weight              |
| BL Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)-   |  | BL Fatty acid C22:0 ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )                        |
| BL Adiponectin via RIA ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )- (metabolic function)    |  | BL Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid mols                |
| BL Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL) |  | BL Fatty acid C24:0 (lignoceric) area                            |
| BL Alpha-1 globulin (%)  |  | BL Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid area                |
| BL Alpha-2 globulin (%)  |  | BL Fatty acid C24:0 weight (mg/L)                                |
| BL Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)                                     |  | BL Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight              |
| BL Beta globulins (%)  |  | BL Fatty acid C24:0 ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )                        |
| BL Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)                    |  | BL Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid mols                |
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| <b>Renal/Electrolyte</b>   | <b>Hematology/Liver</b>                                | <b>Endocrine/Hormones</b>  |
| BL Na <sup>+</sup> (mEq/L)   | BL White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/ $\mu\text{L}$ )      | BL Blood glucose (mg/dL)   |
| BL Ca <sup>++</sup> (mg/dL)  | BL Neutrophils (n, K/ $\mu\text{L}$ )                  | BL 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)               |
| BL Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  | BL Lymphocytes (n, K/ $\mu\text{L}$ )                  | BL Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL) |
| BL 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)                          | BL Monocytes (n, K/ $\mu\text{L}$ )                    | BL Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)                      |
| BL Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)                     | BL Neutrophils (%)                                     | BL Free thyroxine, fT4 (ng/dL)                                   |
| BL Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | BL Lymphocytes (%)                                     | BL Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)                                |
| BL Urinary Na (mmol/L)   | BL Monocytes (%)                                       | BL Total testosterone (ng/mL)                                    |
| BL Urine glucose (mg/dL)   | BL Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/ $\mu\text{L}$ ) | BL Total testosterone (nmol/L)                                   |
| BL Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | BL Hemoglobin (g/dL)                                   | BL Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen                          |
| BL Urine hemoglobin (mg/dL)  | BL Hematocrit (%)                                      | BL Free testosterone (nmol/L), Vermeulen                         |
| BL Urine ketones (mg/dL)   | BL Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)                  | BL Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)                        |
| BL Urine bilirubin (mg/dL)   | BL Mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH) (pg)              | BL Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (nmol/L)                       |
| BL Urine urobilinogen (mg/dL)  | BL MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)                     | BL C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)             |

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| BL Urine nitrites               | BL Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)                       | BL Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)-(IGFBP1) |
| BL Serum creatinine (mg/dL)     | BL Mean platelet volume (MPV) (fL)                             | BL IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected***       |
| BL Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)  | BL Ferritin (ng/mL)  | BL IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (nmol/L)                      |
| BL Creatine phosphokinase (U/L) | BL Folate via RIA (ng/mL)                                      |  |
| BL Cystatin C (mg/L)            | BL Folate via RIA (nmol/L)                                     |  |
|                                 | BL Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)                                 |  |
|                                 | BL Vitamin B12 via RIA (pmol/L)                                |  |
|                                 | BL Methylmalonic acid(methylmalonic aciduria), MMA (μmol/L)    |  |
|                                 | BL Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/L)                       |  |
|                                 | BL Soluble transferrin receptor (mg/L)                         |  |
|                                 | BL GOT (also known as AST) (U/L)                               |  |
|                                 | BL GPT (also known as ALT) (U/L)                               |  |
|                                 | BL Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)                            |  |
|                                 | BL Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L) |  |

**Supplementary Data Table II: Variants included in the Genomic Risk Score GRS calculations and individual effect estimates of single variants for predictive modeling. Phenotype association is based on the findings from the systematic review and the relationship found between variant and disease outcome.**

| Variant Name-Allele | Allele Frequency (%) | Gene/Closest RefSeq Gene | Variant Detail-dbSNP                  | Phenotype Association |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| rs1048945_C         | 1.3                  | APEX1                    | rs1048945 C/G Ancestral: G Minor: C   | Cognition             |
| rs1052133_G         | 20.6                 | OGG1                     | rs1052133 C/G Ancestral: C Minor: G   | Cognition             |
| rs1064039_T         | 19.0                 | CST3                     | rs1064039 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T   | Cognition             |
| rs10793294_C        | 21.7                 | GAB2                     | rs10793294 A/C Ancestral: G Minor: C  | Cognition             |
| rs10883631_G        | 48.4                 | BTRC                     | rs10883631 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A  | Frail                 |
| rs10883642_G        | 48.4                 | BTRC                     | rs10883642 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A  | Frail                 |
| rs11225434_C        | 47.9                 | WTAPP1                   | rs11225434 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C  | Cognition             |
| rs113263161_A       | 10.4                 | CCRL2/LOC102724297       | rs113263161 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A | Cognition             |
| rs1133174_A         | 41.0                 | SORL1                    | rs1133174 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition             |
| rs11574428_A        | 10.2                 | CCRL2                    | rs11574428 A/T Ancestral: T Minor: A  | Cognition             |
| rs11575821_A        | 11.4                 | CCRL2/LOC102724297       | rs11575821 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A  | Cognition             |
| rs1207568_A         | 19.4                 | KLOTHO                   | rs1207568 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: A   | Cognition             |
| rs13113697_T        | 27.2                 | HS3ST1/LOC107986178      | rs13113697 G/T Ancestral: G Minor: T  | Cognition             |
| rs1468063_T         | 12.4                 | FAS                      | rs1468063 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T   | Cognition             |
| rs1566728_C         | 14.1                 | PTPRJ                    | rs1566728 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: C   | Frail                 |
| rs16944_A           | 33.4                 | IL1B                     | rs16944 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A     | Cognition             |
| rs1799990_G         | 30.9                 | PRNP                     | rs1799990 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G   | Cognition             |
| rs1800629_A         | 12.3                 | TNF                      | rs1800629 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cog/Frail             |
| rs1800764_C         | 47.6                 | ACE                      | rs1800764 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T   | Cognition             |
| rs1800796_C         | 5.0                  | IL6                      | rs1800796 C/G Ancestral: G Minor: C   | Cog/Frail             |
| rs1801394_G         | 43.9                 | MTRR                     | rs1801394 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G   | Frail                 |
| rs2047812_A         | 14.8                 | PTPRJ                    | rs2047812 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: A   | Frail                 |
| rs2227729_G         | 7.5                  | VTN                      | rs2227729 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: G   | Frail                 |
| rs2228145_C         | 38.0                 | IL6-R                    | rs2228145 A/C/T Ancestral: A Minor: C | Cognition             |
| rs2228467_C         | 8.2                  | CCL4                     | rs2228467 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C   | Cognition             |
| rs2229238_T         | 16.9                 | IL6-R                    | rs2229238 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T   | Cognition             |
| rs2267163_T         | 36.5                 | TCN2                     | rs2267163 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T   | Frail                 |
| rs2283368_C         | 12.3                 | KLOTHO                   | rs2283368 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C   | Cognition             |
| rs2465481_A         | 47.0                 | GNAI1                    | rs2465481 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: A   | Cognition             |
| rs2714465_G         | 45.0                 | GNAI1                    | rs2714465 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G   | Cognition             |
| rs3092960_A         | 10.7                 | CCR2                     | rs3092960 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition             |
| rs3131609_C         | 32.8                 | USP50                    | rs3131609 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: C   | Cognition             |
| rs360722_A          | 16.9                 | IL18                     | rs360722 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: A    | Frail                 |
| rs3865444_A         | 27.1                 | CD33                     | rs3865444 G/T Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition             |
| rs4147929_A         | 19.3                 | ABCA7                    | rs4147929 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition             |
| rs429358_C          | 6.9                  | APOE                     | rs429358 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: C    | Cognition             |
| rs4316_T            | 38.1                 | ACE                      | rs4316 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T      | Cognition             |
| rs4845622_C         | 38.6                 | IL6R                     | rs4845622 A/C Ancestral: A Minor: C   | Cognition             |
| rs4968782_G         | 41.0                 | ACE                      | rs4968782 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: G   | Cognition             |
| rs55636820_A        | 6.0                  | BIN1                     | rs55636820 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A  | Cognition             |
| rs562020_A          | 34.6                 | KLOTHO                   | rs562020 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: A    | Cognition             |
| rs573521_A          | 47.2                 | MMP3                     | rs573521 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: A    | Cognition             |
| rs5744256_G         | 18.3                 | IL18                     | rs5744256 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: G   | Frail                 |
| rs603050_T          | 31.3                 | WTAPP1                   | rs603050 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T    | Cognition             |
| rs611646_T          | 48.6                 | ATM                      | rs611646 A/T Ancestral: A Minor: A    | Frail                 |



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|--------------|------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| rs61812598_A | 37.9 | IL6-R                       | rs61812598 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A | Cognition |
| rs6441977_A  | 10.2 | CCRL2                       | rs6441977 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A  | Cognition |
| rs650108_A   | 30.1 | MMP3                        | rs650108 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition |
| rs6762266_C  | 10.4 | <b>CCRL2</b>                | rs6762266 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs679620_T   | 46.7 | MMP3                        | rs679620 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T   | Cognition |
| rs6808835_T  | 10.5 | CCRL2                       | rs6808835 G/T Ancestral: T Minor: T  | Cognition |
| rs7110631_C  | 31.2 | <b>PICALM</b>               | rs7110631 C/G Ancestral: G Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs7396366_C  | 36.0 | AP2A2                       | rs7396366 G/T Ancestral: T Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs7412_T     | 6.6  | APOE                        | rs7412 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T     | Cognition |
| rs7497104_T  | 28.6 | MYO9A                       | rs7497104 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: T  | Cognition |
| rs7926920_A  | 46.9 | WTAPP1                      | rs7926920 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A  | Cognition |
| rs9267487_C  | 6.5  | DDX39B                      | rs9267487 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C  | Frail     |
| rs9349407_C  | 24.5 | CD2AP                       | rs9349407 C/G Ancestral: G Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs948399_C   | 26.9 | MMP3                        | rs948399 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C   | Cognition |
| rs9527025_C  | 14.8 | KLOTHO                      | rs9527025 C/G Ancestral: C Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs3219484_T  | 3.8  | MUTYH                       | rs3219484_A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T  | Cognition |
| rs12752888_C | 26.8 | <b>ACOT11/LOC105378734</b>  | rs12752888 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C | Cognition |
| rs1539053_A  | 45.6 | DAB1                        | rs1539053 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: G  | Cognition |
| rs3811448_A  | 19.3 | TDRD10                      | rs3811448 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A  | Cognition |
| rs4129267_T  | 37.9 | IL6-R                       | rs4129267 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T  | Cognition |
| rs915179_G   | 36.0 | LMNA                        | rs915179 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition |
| rs9919256_A  | 13.7 | LMNA                        | rs9919256 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A  | Cognition |
| rs6131_T     | 19.4 | SELP                        | rs6131 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: T     | Frail     |
| rs3818361_A  | 19.5 | CR1                         | rs3818361 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: A  | Cognition |
| rs1260326_C  | 46.3 | GCKR                        | rs1260326 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T  | Frail     |
| rs744373_G   | 28.2 | <b>BIN1</b>                 | rs744373 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: G   | Cognition |
| rs7561528_A  | 31.2 | <b>BIN1/LOC105373605</b>    | rs7561528 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A  | Cognition |
| rs11894266_C | 43.5 | <b>SSB</b>                  | rs11894266 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T | Cognition |
| rs6747918_A  | 49.2 | CASP8                       | rs6747918 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A  | Frail     |
| rs2929408_A  | 22.4 | KAT2B                       | rs2929408 G/T Ancestral: G Minor: A  | Frail     |
| rs737267_T   | 25.6 | SLC2A9                      | rs737267 A/G/T Ancestral: G Minor: T | Frail     |
| rs9461448_G  | 4.7  | PGBD1                       | rs9461448 G/T Ancestral: T Minor: G  | Cognition |
| rs9446432_C  | 8.2  | <b>C6orf155</b>             | rs9446432 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs9384428_C  | 32.5 | <b>MIR1202/LOC101928923</b> | rs9384428 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs4646450_A  | 16.4 | CYP3A5                      | rs4646450 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: A  | Frail     |
| rs11767557_C | 16.8 | EPHA1-AS1                   | rs11767557 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C | Cognition |
| rs11771145_A | 32.9 | EPHA1-AS1                   | rs11771145 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A | Cognition |
| rs11136000_T | 39.0 | CLU                         | rs11136000 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: T | Cognition |
| rs1157242_T  | 16.2 | <b>KCNU1</b>                | rs1157242 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T  | Cognition |
| rs7840202_C  | 29.9 | UBR5                        | rs7840202 A/C Ancestral: C Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs7920721_G  | 39.4 | ECHDC3                      | rs7920721 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G  | Cognition |
| rs7905675_A  | 34.9 | <b>TFAM</b>                 | rs7905675 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G  | Cognition |
| rs17117126_G | 9.5  | <b>CH25H</b>                | rs17117126 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: G | Cognition |
| rs6265_T     | 21.6 | BDNF                        | rs6265 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T     | Cognition |
| rs1566729_T  | 14.1 | PTPRJ                       | rs1566729 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T  | Frail     |
| rs583791_C   | 49.5 | MS4A6A                      | rs583791 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: C   | Cognition |
| rs610932_T   | 48.5 | MS4A6A                      | rs610932 A/C Ancestral: A Minor: T   | Cognition |
| rs662196_C   | 49.6 | MS4A6A                      | rs662196 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: C   | Cognition |
| rs670139_T   | 31.2 | MS4A4E                      | rs670139 A/C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T | Cognition |
| rs676309_C   | 31.1 | MS4A4E                      | rs676309 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: C   | Cognition |

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|--------------|------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| rs11827375_A | 10.5 | <b>C11orf30</b> | rs11827375 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A  | Cognition |
| rs3851179_T  | 36.0 | <b>PICALM</b>   | rs3851179 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T   | Cognition |
| rs541458_C   | 31.6 | <b>PICALM</b>   | rs541458 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C    | Cognition |
| rs10501927_G | 23.6 | CNTN5           | rs10501927 G/T Ancestral: T Minor: G  | Cognition |
| rs495366_A   | 30.1 | WTAPP1          | rs495366 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A    | Cognition |
| rs645419_A   | 46.7 | MMP3            | rs645419 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A    | Cognition |
| rs10502262_T | 27.7 | SORL1           | rs10502262 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: T  | Cognition |
| rs1614735_G  | 47.6 | SORL1           | rs1614735 G/T Ancestral: T Minor: G   | Cognition |
| rs2298813_A  | 4.0  | SORL1           | rs2298813 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition |
| rs3781835_A  | 2.3  | SORL1           | rs3781835 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A   | Cognition |
| rs4935774_C  | 20.5 | SORL1           | rs4935774 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: C   | Cognition |
| rs4363657_C  | 15.2 | SLCO1B1         | rs4363657 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C   | Frail     |
| rs1799986_T  | 17.4 | LRP1            | rs1799986 A/C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T | Frail     |
| rs398655_C   | 45.0 | KLOTHO          | rs398655 G/T Ancestral: G Minor: A    | Cognition |
| rs648202_T   | 13.7 | KLOTHO          | rs648202 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T    | Cognition |
| rs9526984_G  | 7.4  | KLOTHO          | rs9526984 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G   | Cognition |
| rs9527024_A  | 14.8 | KLOTHO          | rs9527024 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: A   | Cognition |
| rs9536314_G  | 14.7 | KLOTHO          | rs9536314 A/G/T Ancestral: T Minor: G | Cognition |
| rs2287396_T  | 17.7 | GSTZ1           | rs2287396 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T   | Frail     |
| rs7175373_C  | 29.1 | <b>MYO9A</b>    | rs7175373 A/C/G Ancestral: C Minor: C | Cognition |
| rs129968_A   | 39.8 | CREBBP          | rs129968 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G    | Frail     |
| rs3785880_G  | 39.8 | MAPT            | rs3785880 G/T Ancestral: T Minor: G   | Cognition |
| rs2526378_G  | 46.8 | TSPOAP1         | rs2526378 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: A   | Cognition |
| rs4343_A     | 40.1 | ACE             | rs4343 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G      | Cognition |
| rs4459609_C  | 40.9 | <b>ACE</b>      | rs4459609 A/C Ancestral: A Minor: C   | Cognition |
| rs3764650_G  | 11.8 | ABCA7           | rs3764650 G/T Ancestral: T Minor: G   | Cognition |
| rs157580_G   | 39.1 | TOMM40          | rs157580 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: G    | Cognition |
| rs2075650_G  | 7.5  | TOMM40          | rs2075650 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: G   | Cognition |
| rs405509_T   | 42.8 | APOE            | rs405509 A/C Ancestral: C Minor: T    | Cognition |
| rs597668_C   | 12.0 | <b>EXOC3L2</b>  | rs597668 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: C    | Cognition |
| rs6859_A     | 38.8 | NECTIN2         | rs6859 A/G Ancestral: G Minor: A      | Cognition |
| rs8106922_G  | 44.8 | TOMM40          | rs8106922 A/G Ancestral: A Minor: G   | Cognition |
| rs17411904_C | 7.7  | <b>PCK1</b>     | rs17411904 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: C  | Cognition |
| rs2833383_T  | 27.9 | TIAM1           | rs2833383 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T   | Frail     |
| rs4646316_T  | 27.7 | COMT            | rs4646316 C/T Ancestral: C Minor: T   | Frail     |
| rs4680_A     | 46.4 | COMT            | rs4680 C/T Ancestral: G Minor: A      | Cognition |
| rs740234_G   | 24.2 | TCN2            | rs740234 C/T Ancestral: T Minor: G    | Frail     |

Notes: \*Proxy SNP, Cog/Frail – variant was found for both phenotypes in the systematic review, bold text indicates the closest gene



## Genetic risk scores

One hundred and thirty-one variants were catalogued from a large systematic review and used to construct genetic risk scores for three models. All variants were used to create an all risk score (n=132), variants related to the phenotypes cognitive decline and physical frailty constructed cognitive risk scores (n=105) and frailty risk scores (n=27). Risk scores were calculated by summation of the number of risk alleles across all the variants divided by the number of SNPs in the score to obtain an average number of risk alleles per locus. After the scaled risk allele counts were summed and divided by the number of loci, they were transformed into Z scores. Z score transformation assists in communicating the effect estimates with the Z corresponding to a single standard deviation from the control mean genetic risk for the phenotypes. All risk scores were calculated using PLINK. R V. 3.2.1 was used to fit multinomial and logistic regression models using standard covariates and risk scores as predictors of cognitive decline, physical frailty, and cognitive frailty as the outcome variable. Stepwise backward and forward selection using AIC and p values facilitated the best fit models.

### Supplementary Table III:

#### Model I Genetic risk scores – Population predictive model features by phenotype

| Phenotype (n)                   |         | All Risk Scores | Cognition Risk Scores | Frail Risk Scores |
|---------------------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Cognitive Decline<br>MMSE (369) | p       | .1286           | .0659                 | .8768             |
|                                 | $\beta$ | .12             | .15                   | -.01              |
|                                 | SE      | .08             | .08                   | .08               |
| Frail<br>CHS (595)              | p       | .0488           | .0401                 | .6509             |
|                                 | $\beta$ | 0.14            | .14                   | .03               |
|                                 | SE      | 0.07            | .07                   | .07               |
| Cognitive frailty<br>MMSE (257) | p       | .0455           | .0479                 | .7775             |
|                                 | $\beta$ | 0.19            | .19                   | -0.03             |
|                                 | SE      | 0.10            | .10                   | .09               |

Model II Genetic risk scores – Population predictive model features by phenotype

| Phenotype (n)                      |         | All Risk Scores | Cognition Risk Scores | Frail Risk Scores |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Cognitive Decline<br>Trail B (634) | p       | .6097           | .5959                 | .4440             |
|                                    | $\beta$ | .05             | .05                   | -.07              |
|                                    | SE      | .09             | .09                   | .09               |
| Cognitive Decline<br>Trail A (525) | p       | .0351           | .0370                 | .3274             |
|                                    | $\beta$ | .16             | .16                   | .07               |
|                                    | SE      | .08             | .07                   | .07               |
| Cognitive Frailty<br>Trail B (325) | p       | .2082           | .1992                 | .7394             |
|                                    | $\beta$ | .11             | .11                   | .03               |
|                                    | SE      | .08             | .09                   | .08               |
| Cognitive Frailty<br>Trail A (302) | p       | .6298           | .4242                 | .2734             |
|                                    | $\beta$ | .04             | .06                   | -.08              |
|                                    | SE      | .08             | .08                   | .08               |

**Table IV: Cognitive Decline Features Model I**

| Cognitive Decline Features  | Gain        | Cover       | Frequency   | Importance  |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Age   | 0.247016911 | 0.117594993 | 0.048543689 | 0.247016911 |
| Level of Education  | 0.160608946 | 0.187763494 | 0.097087379 | 0.160608946 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand   | 0.025564877 | 0.029595722 | 0.029126214 | 0.025564877 |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine  | 0.02142342  | 0.016832239 | 0.014563107 | 0.02142342  |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | 0.018881415 | 0.036076992 | 0.024271845 | 0.018881415 |
| Dx Depression   | 0.018852494 | 0.021616819 | 0.019417476 | 0.018852494 |
| Cystatin C  | 0.017786637 | 0.035118001 | 0.024271845 | 0.017786637 |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate  | 0.01624112  | 0.0178982   | 0.014563107 | 0.01624112  |
| Adiponectin via RIA   | 0.0154553   | 0.018357822 | 0.019417476 | 0.0154553   |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)             | 0.015327296 | 0.014660641 | 0.019417476 | 0.015327296 |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV)   | 0.013822196 | 0.015698515 | 0.024271845 | 0.013822196 |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected*** | 0.012997192 | 0.007511319 | 0.019417476 | 0.012997192 |
| Free thyroxine fT4 (ng/dL)  | 0.012865081 | 0.006865344 | 0.014563107 | 0.012865081 |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  | 0.010709775 | 0.023801966 | 0.014563107 | 0.010709775 |
| Lymphocytes   | 0.010046812 | 0.008887038 | 0.014563107 | 0.010046812 |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | 0.008983628 | 0.003876676 | 0.009708738 | 0.008983628 |
| Interleukin-12  | 0.008595815 | 0.002439156 | 0.009708738 | 0.008595815 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area  | 0.008348097 | 0.00299276  | 0.009708738 | 0.008348097 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 (arachidic) area   | 0.00819782  | 0.01193878  | 0.014563107 | 0.00819782  |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol   | 0.007781061 | 0.013694142 | 0.019417476 | 0.007781061 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                          | 0.007714811 | 0.016204393 | 0.009708738 | 0.007714811 |
| Ferritin  | 0.007209597 | 0.010436238 | 0.009708738 | 0.007209597 |
| Gender  | 0.007151353 | 0.00641112  | 0.009708738 | 0.007151353 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | 0.007083429 | 0.010963022 | 0.014563107 | 0.007083429 |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)  | 0.006833969 | 0.003491305 | 0.009708738 | 0.006833969 |
| Creatinine clearance 24-hr urine  | 0.006443681 | 0.007022278 | 0.009708738 | 0.006443681 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)  | 0.006025751 | 0.005788322 | 0.009708738 | 0.006025751 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol high performance liquid chromatography             | 0.005902007 | 0.00573116  | 0.009708738 | 0.005902007 |
| Soluble IL-6 receptor via ELISA   | 0.005647251 | 0.002059633 | 0.004854369 | 0.005647251 |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio  | 0.005261354 | 0.019818409 | 0.014563107 | 0.005261354 |
| Methylmalonic acid MMA (µmol/L)"  | 0.005213763 | 0.001448349 | 0.009708738 | 0.005213763 |
| Resistin via EIA  | 0.00521251  | 0.006015127 | 0.009708738 | 0.00521251  |
| Plasma insulin via RIA  | 0.005080217 | 0.003755668 | 0.009708738 | 0.005080217 |
| Creatine phosphokinase  | 0.004950723 | 0.001190354 | 0.004854369 | 0.004950723 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis  | 0.004917852 | 0.007184674 | 0.004854369 | 0.004917852 |
| Interleukin-10 via ELISA  | 0.004745208 | 0.00376727  | 0.004854369 | 0.004745208 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 (lignoceric) area  | 0.004584681 | 0.00330742  | 0.004854369 | 0.004584681 |
| Red blood cells   | 0.004528429 | 0.011768391 | 0.009708738 | 0.004528429 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | 0.004501496 | 0.001118337 | 0.004854369 | 0.004501496 |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)  | 0.00425931  | 0.000629884 | 0.004854369 | 0.00425931  |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA   | 0.004252471 | 0.018127967 | 0.009708738 | 0.004252471 |
| BL Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                    | 0.004221882 | 0.002369331 | 0.004854369 | 0.004221882 |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                               | 0.004149518 | 0.014263272 | 0.009708738 | 0.004149518 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | 0.004102069 | 0.005203763 | 0.004854369 | 0.004102069 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area                        | 0.004049393 | 0.008024251 | 0.009708738 | 0.004049393 |

|   |             |             |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Urinary Na  | 0.003793497 | 0.000890377 | 0.009708738 | 0.003793497 |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin   | 0.003641408 | 0.01779343  | 0.009708738 | 0.003641408 |
| Lipids: triglycerides (mg/dL)                                     | 0.003635412 | 0.000947582 | 0.009708738 | 0.003635412 |
| rs3131609_C   | 0.003539956 | 0.002923127 | 0.004854369 | 0.003539956 |
| rs1800796_C   | 0.003487553 | 0.001642754 | 0.004854369 | 0.003487553 |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography               | 0.003366475 | 0.001272687 | 0.004854369 | 0.003366475 |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA            | 0.003259691 | 0.001869279 | 0.004854369 | 0.003259691 |
| Albumin (%)   | 0.003252256 | 0.000885554 | 0.004854369 | 0.003252256 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)                                   | 0.003207126 | 0.001501542 | 0.004854369 | 0.003207126 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen                         | 0.003132828 | 0.001238391 | 0.004854369 | 0.003132828 |
| Alpha-1 globulin  | 0.003093762 | 0.001077661 | 0.004854369 | 0.003093762 |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)  | 0.002957393 | 0.001951717 | 0.004854369 | 0.002957393 |
| Urinary cortisol  | 0.002954808 | 0.005640344 | 0.004854369 | 0.002954808 |
| Lipoprotein(a)  | 0.002822909 | 0.004583778 | 0.004854369 | 0.002822909 |
| BL Blood glucose (mg/dL)  | 0.002796243 | 0.005340663 | 0.009708738 | 0.002796243 |
| Anticollergic Burden  | 0.002789313 | 0.009621728 | 0.004854369 | 0.002789313 |
| rs2228145_C   | 0.002741554 | 0.001278252 | 0.004854369 | 0.002741554 |
| BL Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid mols         | 0.002656076 | 0.004937615 | 0.004854369 | 0.002656076 |
| Blood urea nitrogen   | 0.002558617 | 0.00897141  | 0.004854369 | 0.002558617 |
| Parathyroid hormone two-site immunoradiometric assay "            | 0.002550438 | 0.000968729 | 0.004854369 | 0.002550438 |
| Serum cortisol  | 0.00249517  | 0.002893942 | 0.004854369 | 0.00249517  |
| Lipids: total cholesterol   | 0.002460557 | 0.001170389 | 0.004854369 | 0.002460557 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area                                   | 0.002339895 | 0.00187473  | 0.004854369 | 0.002339895 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol high performance liquid chromatography | 0.002198081 | 0.005823143 | 0.004854369 | 0.002198081 |
| Urinary Ca  | 0.002164721 | 0.000730392 | 0.004854369 | 0.002164721 |
| Folate via RIA  | 0.002113781 | 0.00106923  | 0.004854369 | 0.002113781 |
| Monocytes (%)   | 0.00199266  | 0.000547857 | 0.004854369 | 0.00199266  |
| Total proteins (g/dL)   | 0.001944932 | 0.007589282 | 0.004854369 | 0.001944932 |
| rs948399_C  | 0.001742443 | 0.001020202 | 0.004854369 | 0.001742443 |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                           | 0.001653381 | 0.001473014 | 0.004854369 | 0.001653381 |
| rs10883631_G  | 0.001571027 | 0.000810486 | 0.004854369 | 0.001571027 |
| White blood cells (WBC)   | 0.001509285 | 0.000889183 | 0.004854369 | 0.001509285 |
| ALT   | 0.001401955 | 0.000216533 | 0.004854369 | 0.001401955 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                  | 0.001362604 | 0.007402723 | 0.004854369 | 0.001362604 |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma              | 0.001317785 | 0.000289673 | 0.004854369 | 0.001317785 |
| rs7396366_C   | 0.001163588 | 0.000555404 | 0.004854369 | 0.001163588 |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase  | 0.000800672 | 0.002452777 | 0.004854369 | 0.000800672 |
| Fatty acid C22:0  | 0.000561923 | 0.000672233 | 0.004854369 | 0.000561923 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                  | 0.000554415 | 0.000510348 | 0.004854369 | 0.000554415 |
| Uric acid   | 0.000537078 | 0.000186889 | 0.004854369 | 0.000537078 |
| rs2075650_G   | 0.000487925 | 0.000597468 | 0.004854369 | 0.000487925 |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone                                       | 0.000404183 | 0.000235127 | 0.004854369 | 0.000404183 |
| rs4646316_T   | 0.000302482 | 0.00026136  | 0.004854369 | 0.000302482 |
| Mean corpuscular hemoglobin                                       | 0.000184601 | 0.002295018 | 0.004854369 | 0.000184601 |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive                            | 6.12E-05    | 0.000353843 | 0.004854369 | 6.12E-05    |



**Table V: Frailty Features Model I**

| Frailty Features  | Gain        | Cover       | Frequency   | Importance  |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Depression  | 0.098775745 | 0.084652562 | 0.027559055 | 0.098775745 |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)   | 0.052445936 | 0.033303749 | 0.011811024 | 0.052445936 |
| Age   | 0.049474709 | 0.022604179 | 0.019685039 | 0.049474709 |
| Anticholinergic Burden  | 0.030906413 | 0.030358874 | 0.023622047 | 0.030906413 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)   | 0.024715965 | 0.023600409 | 0.007874016 | 0.024715965 |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         | 0.023717251 | 0.022258754 | 0.015748031 | 0.023717251 |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                         | 0.022823838 | 0.024226924 | 0.015748031 | 0.022823838 |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)  | 0.021999328 | 0.031654032 | 0.015748031 | 0.021999328 |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)  | 0.021750399 | 0.00821273  | 0.019685039 | 0.021750399 |
| Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                               | 0.021744382 | 0.029219322 | 0.019685039 | 0.021744382 |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  | 0.019839941 | 0.028859155 | 0.019685039 | 0.019839941 |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)  | 0.018672872 | 0.019026448 | 0.023622047 | 0.018672872 |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 0.017065385 | 0.008624125 | 0.019685039 | 0.017065385 |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                    | 0.016999208 | 0.005822401 | 0.011811024 | 0.016999208 |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       | 0.01625036  | 0.019029454 | 0.015748031 | 0.01625036  |
| Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)  | 0.015535882 | 0.02537913  | 0.019685039 | 0.015535882 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) | 0.015019838 | 0.023585828 | 0.015748031 | 0.015019838 |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)   | 0.014433258 | 0.012129297 | 0.019685039 | 0.014433258 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)           | 0.014300271 | 0.007085453 | 0.011811024 | 0.014300271 |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  | 0.014001884 | 0.011108339 | 0.011811024 | 0.014001884 |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | 0.013772642 | 0.017304651 | 0.015748031 | 0.013772642 |
| Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)  | 0.013205983 | 0.030090209 | 0.015748031 | 0.013205983 |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                     | 0.013116604 | 0.008019449 | 0.011811024 | 0.013116604 |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 0.012919658 | 0.015168335 | 0.007874016 | 0.012919658 |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)  | 0.011798838 | 0.011456837 | 0.011811024 | 0.011798838 |
| Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                           | 0.011423155 | 0.00461384  | 0.011811024 | 0.011423155 |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA (µmol/L)  | 0.011339303 | 0.008264588 | 0.015748031 | 0.011339303 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                                     | 0.011008005 | 0.004272542 | 0.019685039 | 0.011008005 |
| Monocytes (n, K/µL)   | 0.010487533 | 0.018913621 | 0.011811024 | 0.010487533 |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.009591423 | 0.003739115 | 0.011811024 | 0.009591423 |
| Tumor necrosis factor-a via multiplex technology (pg/mL)                              | 0.009463133 | 0.006942978 | 0.011811024 | 0.009463133 |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   | 0.009315233 | 0.004721585 | 0.011811024 | 0.009315233 |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                       | 0.009129694 | 0.013434801 | 0.015748031 | 0.009129694 |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | 0.009022724 | 0.012591808 | 0.015748031 | 0.009022724 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     | 0.008609358 | 0.007960146 | 0.007874016 | 0.008609358 |
| Interleukin-8 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)  | 0.008566678 | 0.00594986  | 0.003937008 | 0.008566678 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.008095749 | 0.012731259 | 0.011811024 | 0.008095749 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   | 0.007711265 | 0.003574424 | 0.011811024 | 0.007711265 |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  | 0.007578292 | 0.011968667 | 0.015748031 | 0.007578292 |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   | 0.006550153 | 0.000712653 | 0.003937008 | 0.006550153 |
| Na+ (mEq/L)   | 0.006516226 | 0.007030191 | 0.003937008 | 0.006516226 |
| Monocytes (%)   | 0.00639573  | 0.01284515  | 0.011811024 | 0.00639573  |
| Hematocrit (%)  | 0.00623512  | 0.006186332 | 0.003937008 | 0.00623512  |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)  | 0.006090747 | 0.010514246 | 0.007874016 | 0.006090747 |
| Interleukin-12 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)   | 0.006015217 | 0.004092294 | 0.007874016 | 0.006015217 |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)   | 0.005694126 | 0.001798266 | 0.007874016 | 0.005694126 |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  | 0.0055483   | 0.001419796 | 0.003937008 | 0.0055483   |
| Soluble IL-6 receptor via ELISA (ng/mL)   | 0.005477014 | 0.003230929 | 0.007874016 | 0.005477014 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                                      | 0.005404971 | 0.002740247 | 0.003937008 | 0.005404971 |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  | 0.005367844 | 0.01031343  | 0.003937008 | 0.005367844 |
| rs948399_C  | 0.005345514 | 0.002189977 | 0.003937008 | 0.005345514 |

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|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.005280709 | 0.01350518  | 0.007874016 | 0.005280709 |
| Neutrophils (n, K/ $\mu$ L)   | 0.005181902 | 0.000457207 | 0.003937008 | 0.005181902 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid weight  | 0.005052286 | 0.000994181 | 0.003937008 | 0.005052286 |
| Serum cortisol ( $\mu$ g/dL)  | 0.005017158 | 0.027936629 | 0.011811024 | 0.005017158 |
| Level of Education  | 0.00493252  | 0.005284448 | 0.003937008 | 0.00493252  |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | 0.004763014 | 0.005996977 | 0.003937008 | 0.004763014 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 ( $\mu$ mol/L) | 0.004502593 | 0.002631694 | 0.003937008 | 0.004502593 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 0.004480007 | 0.006420977 | 0.011811024 | 0.004480007 |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)  | 0.004433716 | 0.00184381  | 0.007874016 | 0.004433716 |
| rs10501927_G  | 0.004414743 | 0.009323168 | 0.007874016 | 0.004414743 |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.004247467 | 0.002294261 | 0.003937008 | 0.004247467 |
| rs129968_A  | 0.004192118 | 0.003263095 | 0.007874016 | 0.004192118 |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | 0.0041092   | 0.006075858 | 0.003937008 | 0.0041092   |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)  | 0.004070941 | 0.011275891 | 0.007874016 | 0.004070941 |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)                  | 0.004052691 | 0.001761794 | 0.003937008 | 0.004052691 |
| Baseline diagnosis of Dementia  | 0.003942136 | 0.019120532 | 0.007874016 | 0.003942136 |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL)                           | 0.003824567 | 0.000791652 | 0.007874016 | 0.003824567 |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  | 0.003755628 | 0.000396059 | 0.007874016 | 0.003755628 |
| Ferritin (ng/mL)  | 0.003742311 | 0.008416166 | 0.007874016 | 0.003742311 |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity ( $\mu$ g/mL)   | 0.003565832 | 0.002077369 | 0.003937008 | 0.003565832 |
| Macrophage inflammatory protein-1b via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                                     | 0.003520041 | 0.002588955 | 0.003937008 | 0.003520041 |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | 0.003478691 | 0.000977976 | 0.003937008 | 0.003478691 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight  | 0.003475484 | 0.004796531 | 0.003937008 | 0.003475484 |
| rs11225434_C  | 0.003330988 | 0.004787995 | 0.003937008 | 0.003330988 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area  | 0.003293404 | 0.000936887 | 0.003937008 | 0.003293404 |
| Neutrophils (%)   | 0.003128871 | 0.00067737  | 0.003937008 | 0.003128871 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | 0.003123782 | 0.001971299 | 0.003937008 | 0.003123782 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.003010934 | 0.002094985 | 0.003937008 | 0.003010934 |
| GPT (also known as ALT) (U/L)   | 0.002937445 | 0.00592063  | 0.003937008 | 0.002937445 |
| Albumin (%)   | 0.002854574 | 0.002198538 | 0.003937008 | 0.002854574 |
| Mean platelet volume (MPV) (fL)   | 0.002770872 | 0.000419397 | 0.003937008 | 0.002770872 |
| rs1539053_A   | 0.002756129 | 0.012007864 | 0.003937008 | 0.002756129 |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (based on nmols)   | 0.002566654 | 0.000898211 | 0.003937008 | 0.002566654 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | 0.002565159 | 0.010052336 | 0.003937008 | 0.002565159 |
| Free thyroxine, ft4 (ng/dL)   | 0.002443825 | 0.007244682 | 0.007874016 | 0.002443825 |
| Beta globulins (%)  | 0.002269127 | 0.000431623 | 0.003937008 | 0.002269127 |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.002175655 | 0.002408026 | 0.003937008 | 0.002175655 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)  | 0.002119043 | 0.001718137 | 0.003937008 | 0.002119043 |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)  | 0.002044564 | 0.000316794 | 0.003937008 | 0.002044564 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 weight (mg/L)  | 0.001960255 | 0.000352188 | 0.003937008 | 0.001960255 |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography ( $\mu$ mol/L)                          | 0.001838456 | 0.002966245 | 0.003937008 | 0.001838456 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.001816434 | 0.010717187 | 0.003937008 | 0.001816434 |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 0.001762988 | 0.001987793 | 0.003937008 | 0.001762988 |
| rs7840202_C   | 0.001405255 | 0.001059102 | 0.003937008 | 0.001405255 |
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)   | 0.001237461 | 0.000333737 | 0.003937008 | 0.001237461 |
| Gender  | 0.001217717 | 0.001564023 | 0.003937008 | 0.001217717 |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 0.001079396 | 0.000479765 | 0.007874016 | 0.001079396 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.001022163 | 0.000592968 | 0.003937008 | 0.001022163 |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/ $\mu$ L)   | 0.001016876 | 0.000724366 | 0.003937008 | 0.001016876 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 (lignoceric) area  | 0.000965197 | 0.000281381 | 0.003937008 | 0.000965197 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 weight (mg/L)  | 0.000951989 | 0.000337432 | 0.003937008 | 0.000951989 |
| rs3865444_A   | 0.00059402  | 0.000268936 | 0.003937008 | 0.00059402  |
| rs4935774_C   | 0.000287175 | 0.000250477 | 0.003937008 | 0.000287175 |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)  | 0.000204245 | 0.00046439  | 0.003937008 | 0.000204245 |

**Table VI: Cognitive Frailty Features Model I**

| Cognitive Frailty Features  | Gain        | Cover       | Frequency   | Importance  |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Age   | 0.226782261 | 0.171557774 | 0.059322034 | 0.226782261 |
| Baseline Diagnosis of Dementia  | 0.099398955 | 0.098462848 | 0.029661017 | 0.099398955 |
| Level of Education  | 0.044233154 | 0.075160958 | 0.029661017 | 0.044233154 |
| Depression  | 0.034553704 | 0.038157217 | 0.029661017 | 0.034553704 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   | 0.03034655  | 0.028129602 | 0.033898305 | 0.03034655  |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 0.025460108 | 0.014329518 | 0.008474576 | 0.025460108 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.023009514 | 0.008399373 | 0.012711864 | 0.023009514 |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  | 0.015823506 | 0.009692466 | 0.021186441 | 0.015823506 |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)  | 0.015266068 | 0.037498193 | 0.021186441 | 0.015266068 |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.014715469 | 0.011976521 | 0.016949153 | 0.014715469 |
| Transforming growth factor-B1 (pg/mL)   | 0.014096962 | 0.022255665 | 0.016949153 | 0.014096962 |
| Urinary cortisol (µg/mL)  | 0.014020579 | 0.027768583 | 0.021186441 | 0.014020579 |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   | 0.012966575 | 0.012313314 | 0.012711864 | 0.012966575 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 0.012798018 | 0.015478663 | 0.016949153 | 0.012798018 |
| Anticholinergic Burden  | 0.012377409 | 0.015077936 | 0.029661017 | 0.012377409 |
| Gender  | 0.011802004 | 0.013718017 | 0.021186441 | 0.011802004 |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | 0.011677247 | 0.005056691 | 0.016949153 | 0.011677247 |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  | 0.011479619 | 0.027685275 | 0.016949153 | 0.011479619 |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 0.011252254 | 0.009828549 | 0.008474576 | 0.011252254 |
| Serum cortisol (µg/dL)  | 0.009997371 | 0.006957488 | 0.012711864 | 0.009997371 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                                     | 0.009927552 | 0.003755798 | 0.004237288 | 0.009927552 |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)  | 0.009699038 | 0.004094407 | 0.008474576 | 0.009699038 |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       | 0.009690317 | 0.011910741 | 0.008474576 | 0.009690317 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) | 0.008586559 | 0.00937805  | 0.016949153 | 0.008586559 |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         | 0.008545621 | 0.011291322 | 0.016949153 | 0.008545621 |
| Macrophage inflammatory protein-1b via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                               | 0.007953886 | 0.004648823 | 0.012711864 | 0.007953886 |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                         | 0.007871375 | 0.004486658 | 0.012711864 | 0.007871375 |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  | 0.00781868  | 0.006603146 | 0.008474576 | 0.00781868  |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   | 0.007707399 | 0.004887846 | 0.012711864 | 0.007707399 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.007346802 | 0.001933709 | 0.008474576 | 0.007346802 |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)  | 0.007266114 | 0.005429717 | 0.012711864 | 0.007266114 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     | 0.007200276 | 0.009389035 | 0.004237288 | 0.007200276 |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.007174622 | 0.011835413 | 0.008474576 | 0.007174622 |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  | 0.006692034 | 0.004245555 | 0.008474576 | 0.006692034 |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | 0.006665635 | 0.003066128 | 0.012711864 | 0.006665635 |
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)   | 0.006538294 | 0.001687461 | 0.004237288 | 0.006538294 |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)  | 0.006461435 | 0.002914706 | 0.004237288 | 0.006461435 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                                      | 0.006316549 | 0.006171081 | 0.008474576 | 0.006316549 |
| Free thyroxine, FT4 (ng/dL)   | 0.006171355 | 0.00694256  | 0.008474576 | 0.006171355 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)  | 0.006114046 | 0.003017798 | 0.008474576 | 0.006114046 |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | 0.006079822 | 0.00257699  | 0.008474576 | 0.006079822 |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (based on nmols)   | 0.005840558 | 0.010952017 | 0.012711864 | 0.005840558 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) | 0.005830235 | 0.004808919 | 0.012711864 | 0.005830235 |
| Monocytes (%)   | 0.005572667 | 0.003896981 | 0.008474576 | 0.005572667 |
| rs1800796_C   | 0.005375181 | 0.001349969 | 0.004237288 | 0.005375181 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | 0.005308074 | 0.00983547  | 0.004237288 | 0.005308074 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area   | 0.004956023 | 0.0045059   | 0.012711864 | 0.004956023 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)           | 0.004726676 | 0.010909678 | 0.008474576 | 0.004726676 |
| Urine nitrites  | 0.004714047 | 0.002983739 | 0.004237288 | 0.004714047 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                                  | 0.004676963 | 0.00545449  | 0.008474576 | 0.004676963 |

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| Interleukin-10 via ELISA (pg/mL)  | 0.004582369 | 0.003833224 | 0.008474576 | 0.004582369 |
| rs7561528_A   | 0.004441844 | 0.002401485 | 0.004237288 | 0.004441844 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | 0.004203919 | 0.001526901 | 0.004237288 | 0.004203919 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (μmol/L)                                       | 0.004184592 | 0.001820163 | 0.004237288 | 0.004184592 |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)             | 0.004176619 | 0.001453662 | 0.008474576 | 0.004176619 |
| Ferritin (ng/mL)  | 0.0041346   | 0.005952456 | 0.008474576 | 0.0041346   |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)  | 0.004084085 | 0.005935122 | 0.012711864 | 0.004084085 |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)   | 0.00402366  | 0.00333813  | 0.004237288 | 0.00402366  |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  | 0.003832509 | 0.014051952 | 0.004237288 | 0.003832509 |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)    | 0.003743268 | 0.00657122  | 0.008474576 | 0.003743268 |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)  | 0.00373557  | 0.004502258 | 0.004237288 | 0.00373557  |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL)             | 0.003691119 | 0.002535915 | 0.008474576 | 0.003691119 |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)            | 0.003628467 | 0.007143239 | 0.004237288 | 0.003628467 |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (μg/mL)                                 | 0.003595036 | 0.004072452 | 0.004237288 | 0.003595036 |
| rs3865444_A   | 0.003568828 | 0.006992619 | 0.004237288 | 0.003568828 |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)               | 0.003553408 | 0.003953066 | 0.008474576 | 0.003553408 |
| Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                       | 0.003538457 | 0.00071027  | 0.008474576 | 0.003538457 |
| rs12752888_C  | 0.003529126 | 0.003210877 | 0.004237288 | 0.003529126 |
| rs1801394_G   | 0.002941323 | 0.009906123 | 0.004237288 | 0.002941323 |
| Serum creatinine (mg/dL)  | 0.002671886 | 0.001135792 | 0.004237288 | 0.002671886 |
| rs7840202_C   | 0.002603431 | 0.000660589 | 0.004237288 | 0.002603431 |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)                                | 0.002571665 | 0.003716514 | 0.004237288 | 0.002571665 |
| Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/L)   | 0.002553661 | 0.003976923 | 0.004237288 | 0.002553661 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | 0.002533683 | 0.003256162 | 0.004237288 | 0.002533683 |
| Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)                   | 0.002487013 | 0.004645502 | 0.004237288 | 0.002487013 |
| Adiponectin via RIA (μg/mL)   | 0.002423759 | 0.003373917 | 0.004237288 | 0.002423759 |
| Ca <sup>++</sup> (mg/dL)  | 0.002412787 | 0.009697184 | 0.004237288 | 0.002412787 |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)   | 0.002206422 | 0.003378556 | 0.004237288 | 0.002206422 |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | 0.002203996 | 0.001244438 | 0.004237288 | 0.002203996 |
| Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)  | 0.002202815 | 0.001684749 | 0.004237288 | 0.002202815 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid mols                             | 0.002083401 | 0.005710026 | 0.004237288 | 0.002083401 |
| Beta globulins (%)  | 0.00198861  | 0.002508954 | 0.004237288 | 0.00198861  |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                            | 0.001750099 | 0.001527257 | 0.004237288 | 0.001750099 |
| rs1539053_A   | 0.001651772 | 0.002032121 | 0.004237288 | 0.001651772 |
| rs603050_T  | 0.001603176 | 0.000828142 | 0.004237288 | 0.001603176 |
| Albumin (%)   | 0.001497865 | 0.00144821  | 0.004237288 | 0.001497865 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 (arachidic) area   | 0.00142038  | 0.000965866 | 0.004237288 | 0.00142038  |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | 0.001375674 | 0.000826441 | 0.008474576 | 0.001375674 |
| Tumor necrosis factor-α via multiplex technology (pg/mL)                      | 0.001189543 | 0.000626886 | 0.004237288 | 0.001189543 |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)  | 0.001108848 | 0.002522049 | 0.004237288 | 0.001108848 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area  | 0.001087023 | 0.000250191 | 0.004237288 | 0.001087023 |
| rs948399_C  | 0.001081045 | 0.006526954 | 0.004237288 | 0.001081045 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | 0.001062891 | 0.00384092  | 0.004237288 | 0.001062891 |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/μL)   | 0.001029476 | 0.000265338 | 0.004237288 | 0.001029476 |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  | 0.001010878 | 0.001412657 | 0.004237288 | 0.001010878 |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.000972468 | 0.004258281 | 0.004237288 | 0.000972468 |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected*** | 0.000969549 | 0.002657776 | 0.008474576 | 0.000969549 |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       | 0.000945649 | 0.000533488 | 0.004237288 | 0.000945649 |
| Interleukin-12 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)   | 0.000902174 | 0.000602753 | 0.004237288 | 0.000902174 |
| Mean platelet volume (MPV) (fL)   | 0.00059614  | 0.000315899 | 0.004237288 | 0.00059614  |
| rs4968782_G   | 0.00026173  | 0.000367413 | 0.004237288 | 0.00026173  |



Table VII: Cognitive Decline Features Model II

| Cognitive Decline Features   | Gain        | Cover       | Frequency   | Importance  |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Age  | 0.337620007 | 0.169876149 | 0.04730832  | 0.337620007 |
| Level of Education   | 0.101396229 | 0.107996945 | 0.042414356 | 0.101396229 |
| Soluble IL-6 receptor via ELISA (ng/mL)                                    | 0.036437613 | 0.034064328 | 0.019575856 | 0.036437613 |
| Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                | 0.02218011  | 0.02573877  | 0.020391517 | 0.02218011  |
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)  | 0.014452739 | 0.007164163 | 0.005709625 | 0.014452739 |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)   | 0.012001659 | 0.007818561 | 0.008972268 | 0.012001659 |
| Albumin (%)  | 0.0113596   | 0.015724044 | 0.01141925  | 0.0113596   |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid area                             | 0.011304629 | 0.009233553 | 0.008972268 | 0.011304629 |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)   | 0.010711498 | 0.009622826 | 0.010603589 | 0.010711498 |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/µL)  | 0.010337767 | 0.006623209 | 0.009787928 | 0.010337767 |
| Free thyroxine, FT4 (ng/dL)  | 0.010186247 | 0.012097542 | 0.018760196 | 0.010186247 |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)  | 0.010031357 | 0.006651148 | 0.006525285 | 0.010031357 |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)         | 0.009701129 | 0.010461974 | 0.01223491  | 0.009701129 |
| Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/L)                                      | 0.008957121 | 0.005636462 | 0.004893964 | 0.008957121 |
| Tumor necrosis factor-α via multiplex technology (pg/mL)                   | 0.008815898 | 0.004477882 | 0.009787928 | 0.008815898 |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)              | 0.008096051 | 0.007201284 | 0.01141925  | 0.008096051 |
| Neutrophils (n, K/µL)  | 0.007846614 | 0.013026383 | 0.003262643 | 0.007846614 |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) | 0.007495273 | 0.010668779 | 0.013050571 | 0.007495273 |
| Monocytes (n, K/µL)  | 0.007009487 | 0.008960452 | 0.008156607 | 0.007009487 |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)   | 0.006935307 | 0.004804623 | 0.005709625 | 0.006935307 |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)            | 0.006418083 | 0.010770744 | 0.015497553 | 0.006418083 |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)               | 0.006368592 | 0.013556497 | 0.010603589 | 0.006368592 |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)                                      | 0.00632215  | 0.007376994 | 0.004078303 | 0.00632215  |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)  | 0.006308561 | 0.004860064 | 0.010603589 | 0.006308561 |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                            | 0.006234605 | 0.015158455 | 0.01223491  | 0.006234605 |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)                                     | 0.006087853 | 0.010731789 | 0.010603589 | 0.006087853 |
| Interleukin-8 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)   | 0.005942379 | 0.010463931 | 0.004078303 | 0.005942379 |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)  | 0.005933618 | 0.013130706 | 0.013866232 | 0.005933618 |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)   | 0.005816721 | 0.005494248 | 0.007340946 | 0.005816721 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)  | 0.005676189 | 0.016226196 | 0.009787928 | 0.005676189 |
| Macrophage inflammatory protein-1β via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                    | 0.005299693 | 0.002967166 | 0.004893964 | 0.005299693 |
| Neutrophils (%)  | 0.005259012 | 0.011038932 | 0.007340946 | 0.005259012 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                          | 0.005235156 | 0.008265979 | 0.009787928 | 0.005235156 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area  | 0.005221169 | 0.002244553 | 0.005709625 | 0.005221169 |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)   | 0.005135355 | 0.013681843 | 0.015497553 | 0.005135355 |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)   | 0.00507799  | 0.004782631 | 0.01141925  | 0.00507799  |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)                             | 0.005063804 | 0.005090446 | 0.01223491  | 0.005063804 |
| Na+ (mEq/L)  | 0.005060928 | 0.003545462 | 0.003262643 | 0.005060928 |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)  | 0.00494213  | 0.004189768 | 0.003262643 | 0.00494213  |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (µg/mL)                              | 0.004882981 | 0.007480991 | 0.003262643 | 0.004882981 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol   | 0.004726757 | 0.003329939 | 0.006525285 | 0.004726757 |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)  | 0.004380661 | 0.009384469 | 0.008972268 | 0.004380661 |
| Parathyroid hormone  | 0.004375232 | 0.011901958 | 0.015497553 | 0.004375232 |
| Adiponectin via RIA (µg/mL)  | 0.004335486 | 0.008986282 | 0.016313214 | 0.004335486 |
| Urinary cortisol (µg/mL)   | 0.004259415 | 0.004101516 | 0.004893964 | 0.004259415 |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)   | 0.004230209 | 0.004566037 | 0.008972268 | 0.004230209 |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)  | 0.004019193 | 0.00527928  | 0.007340946 | 0.004019193 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 (lignoceric) area   | 0.003943775 | 0.003301283 | 0.003262643 | 0.003943775 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                          | 0.003927989 | 0.006010915 | 0.013050571 | 0.003927989 |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)                                     | 0.003839175 | 0.00320971  | 0.004078303 | 0.003839175 |
| Lymphocytes (%)  | 0.003810109 | 0.005980394 | 0.008156607 | 0.003810109 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)                                    | 0.003723506 | 0.008958335 | 0.005709625 | 0.003723506 |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)   | 0.003721675 | 0.007480933 | 0.01223491  | 0.003721675 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                   | 0.003719853 | 0.00421514  | 0.004893964 | 0.003719853 |
| Ca++ (mg/dL)   | 0.003651681 | 0.000474762 | 0.001631321 | 0.003651681 |
| GPT (also known as ALT) (U/L)  | 0.003632801 | 0.004977336 | 0.007340946 | 0.003632801 |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)                                   | 0.003451352 | 0.00780884  | 0.007340946 | 0.003451352 |
| Anticholinergic Burden Scale Sum Score                                     | 0.00332339  | 0.002536376 | 0.002446982 | 0.00332339  |
| Interleukin-10 via ELISA (pg/mL)   | 0.003322959 | 0.001514995 | 0.003262643 | 0.003322959 |
| Beta globulins (%)   | 0.003321289 | 0.001896441 | 0.002446982 | 0.003321289 |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)                              | 0.003264735 | 0.006994998 | 0.004893964 | 0.003264735 |
| Interleukin-12 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)  | 0.003192173 | 0.002789774 | 0.005709625 | 0.003192173 |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)               | 0.003185556 | 0.002444962 | 0.004893964 | 0.003185556 |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)  | 0.003166109 | 0.006439686 | 0.008156607 | 0.003166109 |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)   | 0.003122104 | 0.004013699 | 0.004893964 | 0.003122104 |
| Transforming growth factor-β1 (pg/mL)                                      | 0.003012441 | 0.005744855 | 0.006525285 | 0.003012441 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                           | 0.002794238 | 0.005796356 | 0.003262643 | 0.002794238 |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)                                   | 0.002728823 | 0.008640367 | 0.01223491  | 0.002728823 |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)                                     | 0.002672337 | 0.003760759 | 0.004078303 | 0.002672337 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)  | 0.002618936 | 0.003559652 | 0.01223491  | 0.002618936 |

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| Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)  | 0.002613825 | 0.004184359 | 0.006525285 | 0.002613825 |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)                                  | 0.002507317 | 0.001113761 | 0.001631321 | 0.002507317 |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight               | 0.002446855 | 0.002262325 | 0.004078303 | 0.002446855 |
| Serum creatinine (mg/dL)  | 0.002434934 | 0.003678538 | 0.004893964 | 0.002434934 |
| Monocytes (%)   | 0.002412472 | 0.001491166 | 0.002446982 | 0.002412472 |
| Serum cortisol (µg/dL)  | 0.002348164 | 0.00222644  | 0.004893964 | 0.002348164 |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)    | 0.002246116 | 0.00345916  | 0.008156607 | 0.002246116 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 weight (mg/L)                                    | 0.002240052 | 0.002564482 | 0.004078303 | 0.002240052 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                  | 0.00223029  | 0.003813884 | 0.008156607 | 0.00223029  |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                | 0.002230142 | 0.001064622 | 0.001631321 | 0.002230142 |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA (µmol/L)                                  | 0.002226268 | 0.002950204 | 0.002446982 | 0.002226268 |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                           | 0.002058344 | 0.001317004 | 0.002446982 | 0.002058344 |
| Ferritin (ng/mL)  | 0.00196076  | 0.005336786 | 0.008972268 | 0.00196076  |
| Fatty acid C22:0 weight (mg/L)                                    | 0.001816603 | 0.00405515  | 0.005709625 | 0.001816603 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol  | 0.001806414 | 0.002203634 | 0.004893964 | 0.001806414 |
| Lymphocytes (n, K/µL)   | 0.001690487 | 0.001349849 | 0.002446982 | 0.001690487 |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)                                   | 0.00168208  | 0.005742559 | 0.004078303 | 0.00168208  |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                           | 0.001668354 | 0.001010453 | 0.003262643 | 0.001668354 |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                    | 0.001545979 | 0.003147402 | 0.007340946 | 0.001545979 |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)                                      | 0.00148699  | 0.003371184 | 0.006525285 | 0.00148699  |
| AST (U/L)   | 0.00148228  | 0.001280547 | 0.003262643 | 0.00148228  |
| Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/µL)                            | 0.001465528 | 0.003944097 | 0.002446982 | 0.001465528 |
| Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)                                  | 0.001462355 | 0.004043732 | 0.003262643 | 0.001462355 |
| Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)           | 0.001341605 | 0.000218363 | 0.000815661 | 0.001341605 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight              | 0.001325055 | 0.003336324 | 0.006525285 | 0.001325055 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                  | 0.001245406 | 0.004586598 | 0.004893964 | 0.001245406 |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)     | 0.001214394 | 0.002876213 | 0.003262643 | 0.001214394 |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)                                   | 0.001198349 | 0.002421287 | 0.001631321 | 0.001198349 |
| Urine hemoglobin (mg/dL)  | 0.001125041 | 0.002413289 | 0.000815661 | 0.001125041 |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.001117313 | 0.001020134 | 0.000815661 | 0.001117313 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol  | 0.001085563 | 0.004068181 | 0.004893964 | 0.001085563 |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)     | 0.001080915 | 0.002484724 | 0.002446982 | 0.001080915 |
| Total proteins (g/dL)   | 0.001012553 | 0.001464147 | 0.001631321 | 0.001012553 |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen                              | 0.000911295 | 0.003313265 | 0.004893964 | 0.000911295 |
| Hematocrit (%)  | 0.0008604   | 0.001047362 | 0.002446982 | 0.0008604   |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   | 0.000829065 | 0.000289542 | 0.000815661 | 0.000829065 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid area                    | 0.000757176 | 0.000224922 | 0.000815661 | 0.000757176 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 cis (eicosapentaenoic, EPA) area             | 0.000723203 | 0.00149168  | 0.003262643 | 0.000723203 |
| C-reactive protein - low sensitivity (µg/mL)                      | 0.000710255 | 0.001478066 | 0.002446982 | 0.000710255 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)                     | 0.000646151 | 0.00201871  | 0.006525285 | 0.000646151 |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                 | 0.000637288 | 0.001485081 | 0.002446982 | 0.000637288 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)                                    | 0.000636213 | 0.000729121 | 0.002446982 | 0.000636213 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 (arachidic) area                                 | 0.00062639  | 0.002906608 | 0.000815661 | 0.00062639  |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)                    | 0.000622845 | 0.001423501 | 0.003262643 | 0.000622845 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight               | 0.000620856 | 0.00168309  | 0.005709625 | 0.000620856 |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL) | 0.000596805 | 0.001070486 | 0.003262643 | 0.000596805 |
| Depression  | 0.000535185 | 0.001586769 | 0.001631321 | 0.000535185 |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (based on nmols)                             | 0.000500719 | 0.001411308 | 0.004078303 | 0.000500719 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                  | 0.000453894 | 0.000722058 | 0.001631321 | 0.000453894 |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L) | 0.000433366 | 0.001824619 | 0.004078303 | 0.000433366 |
| Mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH) (pg)                            | 0.000407813 | 0.001502518 | 0.002446982 | 0.000407813 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol  | 0.000407016 | 0.00132765  | 0.004078303 | 0.000407016 |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  | 0.00028578  | 0.001049279 | 0.002446982 | 0.00028578  |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid mols            | 0.000218333 | 0.001446424 | 0.004893964 | 0.000218333 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid mols                    | 0.000178967 | 0.001169142 | 0.003262643 | 0.000178967 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area                    | 0.000166057 | 0.000634616 | 0.002446982 | 0.000166057 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                  | 6.18E-05    | 0.000575459 | 0.002446982 | 6.18E-05    |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid mols                 | 5.70E-05    | 0.001159185 | 0.002446982 | 5.70E-05    |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area            | 1.80E-05    | 0.000249955 | 0.000815661 | 1.80E-05    |



**Table VIII: Frailty Features Model II**

| Frailty Features  | Gain        | Cover       | Frequency   | Importance  |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Depression  | 0.087477094 | 0.037432424 | 0.023728814 | 0.087477094 |
| Age   | 0.050692047 | 0.012070795 | 0.010169492 | 0.050692047 |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)   | 0.037570335 | 0.008241562 | 0.006779661 | 0.037570335 |
| Anticholinergic Burden Scale Sum Score  | 0.031644308 | 0.019787206 | 0.013559322 | 0.031644308 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (μmol/L)   | 0.030538058 | 0.023689405 | 0.016949153 | 0.030538058 |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                         | 0.024418035 | 0.013747038 | 0.016949153 | 0.024418035 |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)  | 0.023153468 | 0.019395502 | 0.016949153 | 0.023153468 |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  | 0.021774327 | 0.012878682 | 0.010169492 | 0.021774327 |
| Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                               | 0.020875442 | 0.028967385 | 0.027118644 | 0.020875442 |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         | 0.020207291 | 0.029445221 | 0.020338983 | 0.020207291 |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       | 0.019045838 | 0.026328877 | 0.023728814 | 0.019045838 |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | 0.017850277 | 0.010389129 | 0.013559322 | 0.017850277 |
| Interleukin-8 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)  | 0.016988136 | 0.00439415  | 0.006779661 | 0.016988136 |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (μg/24 hours)  | 0.016449453 | 0.033101985 | 0.023728814 | 0.016449453 |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 0.014868273 | 0.007683043 | 0.010169492 | 0.014868273 |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (based on nmols)   | 0.014535409 | 0.009961332 | 0.013559322 | 0.014535409 |
| Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)  | 0.014350009 | 0.023361053 | 0.016949153 | 0.014350009 |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 0.013873065 | 0.004025311 | 0.006779661 | 0.013873065 |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)  | 0.013636196 | 0.00598363  | 0.013559322 | 0.013636196 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (μmol/L) | 0.013177049 | 0.013905765 | 0.013559322 | 0.013177049 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (μmol/L) | 0.012842565 | 0.022567257 | 0.016949153 | 0.012842565 |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA (μmol/L)  | 0.012496487 | 0.017167754 | 0.013559322 | 0.012496487 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     | 0.012409377 | 0.007676331 | 0.010169492 | 0.012409377 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | 0.011973673 | 0.009092363 | 0.013559322 | 0.011973673 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 0.0116946   | 0.010837487 | 0.016949153 | 0.0116946   |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (μg/dL)  | 0.011520092 | 0.002702369 | 0.010169492 | 0.011520092 |
| Serum cortisol (μg/dL)  | 0.011018876 | 0.022298275 | 0.020338983 | 0.011018876 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                              | 0.010754702 | 0.001495996 | 0.010169492 | 0.010754702 |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)  | 0.010218501 | 0.01710008  | 0.016949153 | 0.010218501 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)           | 0.010084578 | 0.010687575 | 0.010169492 | 0.010084578 |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  | 0.009711035 | 0.018664758 | 0.016949153 | 0.009711035 |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                    | 0.009156656 | 0.00691564  | 0.006779661 | 0.009156656 |
| Monocytes (%)   | 0.008981439 | 0.021490956 | 0.016949153 | 0.008981439 |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (μg/mL)   | 0.008807614 | 0.009176731 | 0.010169492 | 0.008807614 |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.008690624 | 0.009293653 | 0.006779661 | 0.008690624 |
| Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)  | 0.008365481 | 0.014865471 | 0.010169492 | 0.008365481 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)           | 0.0083467   | 0.001745162 | 0.003389831 | 0.0083467   |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.008345016 | 0.014511828 | 0.013559322 | 0.008345016 |
| Tumor necrosis factor-α via multiplex technology (pg/mL)                              | 0.008263742 | 0.006171901 | 0.013559322 | 0.008263742 |
| rs429358_C  | 0.008207264 | 0.009874568 | 0.006779661 | 0.008207264 |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)  | 0.007813068 | 0.002890419 | 0.003389831 | 0.007813068 |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/μL)   | 0.007684036 | 0.010274828 | 0.010169492 | 0.007684036 |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | 0.007590389 | 0.000963582 | 0.006779661 | 0.007590389 |
| rs10501927_G  | 0.007400781 | 0.00947889  | 0.010169492 | 0.007400781 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.007284487 | 0.008147218 | 0.006779661 | 0.007284487 |
| Ferritin (ng/mL)  | 0.007123548 | 0.00835951  | 0.013559322 | 0.007123548 |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   | 0.007073396 | 0.019248543 | 0.013559322 | 0.007073396 |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  | 0.007011844 | 0.015035268 | 0.010169492 | 0.007011844 |
| Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/μL)  | 0.006799328 | 0.006376907 | 0.003389831 | 0.006799328 |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL)                     | 0.006789192 | 0.001887906 | 0.006779661 | 0.006789192 |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                       | 0.006415482 | 0.012690498 | 0.010169492 | 0.006415482 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.006179054 | 0.001341804 | 0.003389831 | 0.006179054 |
| Transforming growth factor-B1 (pg/mL)   | 0.00593631  | 0.010002974 | 0.010169492 | 0.00593631  |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (μmol/L)                     | 0.005883288 | 0.004352394 | 0.010169492 | 0.005883288 |
| Free thyroxine, fT4 (ng/dL)   | 0.005714929 | 0.010081288 | 0.010169492 | 0.005714929 |

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| Monocytes (n, K/ $\mu$ L)  | 0.005607768 | 0.017694614 | 0.013559322 | 0.005607768 |
| rs12752888_C   | 0.005524297 | 0.001255391 | 0.003389831 | 0.005524297 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area   | 0.005491614 | 0.009704169 | 0.010169492 | 0.005491614 |
| IL-6 high-sensitivity ELISA calculated from ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)   | 0.005425693 | 0.006151266 | 0.003389831 | 0.005425693 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)                              | 0.005359504 | 0.00793391  | 0.006779661 | 0.005359504 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area  | 0.004905328 | 0.003961571 | 0.006779661 | 0.004905328 |
| Serum creatinine (mg/dL)   | 0.004786974 | 0.000934218 | 0.006779661 | 0.004786974 |
| Macrophage inflammatory protein-1b via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                    | 0.004784017 | 0.012336797 | 0.010169492 | 0.004784017 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area                             | 0.004516237 | 0.004702992 | 0.003389831 | 0.004516237 |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)  | 0.004424143 | 0.000391277 | 0.003389831 | 0.004424143 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                           | 0.004402626 | 0.00403443  | 0.006779661 | 0.004402626 |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)                                     | 0.004344044 | 0.000553    | 0.003389831 | 0.004344044 |
| rs1799990_G  | 0.004294903 | 0.000615221 | 0.003389831 | 0.004294903 |
| Interleukin-10 via ELISA (pg/mL)   | 0.004255737 | 0.000180399 | 0.003389831 | 0.004255737 |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)  | 0.004248745 | 0.010166493 | 0.006779661 | 0.004248745 |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                    | 0.004240931 | 0.010351219 | 0.006779661 | 0.004240931 |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)  | 0.004052975 | 0.005200807 | 0.006779661 | 0.004052975 |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)   | 0.003887647 | 0.010139885 | 0.006779661 | 0.003887647 |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)   | 0.003845678 | 0.005222931 | 0.003389831 | 0.003845678 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                         | 0.003796235 | 0.008663351 | 0.010169492 | 0.003796235 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)  | 0.003719857 | 0.005707609 | 0.006779661 | 0.003719857 |
| rs11894266_C   | 0.003698922 | 0.00444944  | 0.006779661 | 0.003698922 |
| rs8106922_G  | 0.003649847 | 0.000344203 | 0.003389831 | 0.003649847 |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)   | 0.003388364 | 0.006891703 | 0.006779661 | 0.003388364 |
| rs7840202_C  | 0.003264864 | 0.003877332 | 0.003389831 | 0.003264864 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area                     | 0.003164728 | 0.009068617 | 0.006779661 | 0.003164728 |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)   | 0.003062083 | 0.012510653 | 0.010169492 | 0.003062083 |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)  | 0.003057754 | 0.008728878 | 0.006779661 | 0.003057754 |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)   | 0.003006318 | 0.004709943 | 0.006779661 | 0.003006318 |
| Urine hemoglobin (mg/dL)   | 0.002983008 | 0.004156007 | 0.003389831 | 0.002983008 |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)  | 0.002916458 | 0.009319371 | 0.006779661 | 0.002916458 |
| Adiponectin via RIA ( $\mu$ g/mL)  | 0.00276724  | 0.008715665 | 0.006779661 | 0.00276724  |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)  | 0.002622806 | 0.001158878 | 0.003389831 | 0.002622806 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                           | 0.002467219 | 0.000332762 | 0.003389831 | 0.002467219 |
| rs3785880_G  | 0.002427357 | 0.000734247 | 0.003389831 | 0.002427357 |
| rs10883631_G   | 0.002364875 | 0.000173967 | 0.006779661 | 0.002364875 |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                          | 0.002326994 | 0.0085397   | 0.006779661 | 0.002326994 |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                    | 0.00219113  | 0.00264264  | 0.003389831 | 0.00219113  |
| Fatty acid C24:0 weight (mg/L)   | 0.002189504 | 0.001294336 | 0.003389831 | 0.002189504 |
| Soluble IL-6 receptor via ELISA (ng/mL)                                    | 0.002001984 | 0.003757795 | 0.003389831 | 0.002001984 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                          | 0.001960985 | 0.00316459  | 0.003389831 | 0.001960985 |
| rs4363657_C  | 0.001848912 | 0.005068245 | 0.003389831 | 0.001848912 |
| ALT (U/L)  | 0.001744514 | 0.003480211 | 0.003389831 | 0.001744514 |
| rs6859_A   | 0.001731615 | 0.000162633 | 0.003389831 | 0.001731615 |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight                        | 0.001710078 | 0.004212545 | 0.003389831 | 0.001710078 |
| Urinary cortisol ( $\mu$ g/mL)   | 0.001597598 | 0.000305797 | 0.003389831 | 0.001597598 |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)   | 0.001571151 | 0.000274045 | 0.003389831 | 0.001571151 |
| rs948399_C   | 0.001532092 | 0.004343178 | 0.003389831 | 0.001532092 |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)  | 0.001363833 | 0.004740806 | 0.003389831 | 0.001363833 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                           | 0.001273097 | 0.003990736 | 0.003389831 | 0.001273097 |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)               | 0.000967469 | 0.003538632 | 0.003389831 | 0.000967469 |
| rs4147929_A  | 0.000892763 | 0.004034426 | 0.003389831 | 0.000892763 |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid area                             | 0.000868838 | 0.004156007 | 0.003389831 | 0.000868838 |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) | 0.000847489 | 0.004086658 | 0.003389831 | 0.000847489 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 cis (eicosapentaenoic, EPA) area                      | 0.000807547 | 0.003996284 | 0.003389831 | 0.000807547 |
| Neutrophils (n, K/ $\mu$ L)  | 0.000572539 | 0.000112781 | 0.003389831 | 0.000572539 |

**Table IX: Cognitive Frailty Features Model II**

| Cognitive Frailty Features  | Gain        | Cover       | Frequency   | Importance  |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Age   | 0.243224429 | 0.110510017 | 0.056140351 | 0.243224429 |
| Depression  | 0.058485822 | 0.040044719 | 0.028070175 | 0.058485822 |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)  | 0.041790268 | 0.019616729 | 0.014035088 | 0.041790268 |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)   | 0.030831483 | 0.018261243 | 0.014035088 | 0.030831483 |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  | 0.02106198  | 0.017790494 | 0.014035088 | 0.02106198  |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 0.019570487 | 0.025241618 | 0.021052632 | 0.019570487 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)   | 0.019104806 | 0.01358605  | 0.014035088 | 0.019104806 |
| Level of Education  | 0.018254792 | 0.013650884 | 0.010526316 | 0.018254792 |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   | 0.016738529 | 0.018435368 | 0.028070175 | 0.016738529 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | 0.016397158 | 0.008585323 | 0.010526316 | 0.016397158 |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                               | 0.016303861 | 0.020917254 | 0.01754386  | 0.016303861 |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)  | 0.01479562  | 0.015709937 | 0.01754386  | 0.01479562  |
| Tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$ via multiplex technology (pg/mL)                            | 0.014217085 | 0.018035692 | 0.01754386  | 0.014217085 |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity ( $\mu$ g/mL)   | 0.014035509 | 0.015325407 | 0.01754386  | 0.014035509 |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  | 0.013534893 | 0.018254719 | 0.010526316 | 0.013534893 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography ( $\mu$ mol/L)           | 0.013064167 | 0.012399389 | 0.010526316 | 0.013064167 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography ( $\mu$ mol/L)           | 0.013060202 | 0.01874998  | 0.021052632 | 0.013060202 |
| Albumin (%)   | 0.012957738 | 0.006378732 | 0.010526316 | 0.012957738 |
| rs4343_A  | 0.012850391 | 0.014645507 | 0.010526316 | 0.012850391 |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate ( $\mu$ g/dL)  | 0.012658594 | 0.011407339 | 0.007017544 | 0.012658594 |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)   | 0.012532317 | 0.010288275 | 0.014035088 | 0.012532317 |
| Vitamin E gamma tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 ( $\mu$ mol/L) | 0.011033869 | 0.022001512 | 0.021052632 | 0.011033869 |
| Serum creatinine (mg/dL)  | 0.010983672 | 0.023256757 | 0.01754386  | 0.010983672 |
| Monocytes (n, K/ $\mu$ L)   | 0.010578729 | 0.02257873  | 0.01754386  | 0.010578729 |
| Vitamin B12 via RIA (pg/mL)   | 0.010033777 | 0.01388142  | 0.01754386  | 0.010033777 |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)   | 0.009632353 | 0.015012622 | 0.010526316 | 0.009632353 |
| Monocytes (%)   | 0.009258662 | 0.020772466 | 0.014035088 | 0.009258662 |
| Soluble TNF- $\alpha$ receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                     | 0.009249448 | 0.006819346 | 0.010526316 | 0.009249448 |
| Soluble TNF- $\alpha$ receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                      | 0.008910896 | 0.011338502 | 0.007017544 | 0.008910896 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 (palmitic) area  | 0.008774872 | 0.012353205 | 0.01754386  | 0.008774872 |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  | 0.008433119 | 0.009100673 | 0.01754386  | 0.008433119 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | 0.008258345 | 0.012186001 | 0.010526316 | 0.008258345 |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 0.008193473 | 0.007541586 | 0.014035088 | 0.008193473 |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)   | 0.007746372 | 0.010792335 | 0.014035088 | 0.007746372 |
| Anticholinergic Burden Scale Sum Score  | 0.007620497 | 0.004940168 | 0.003508772 | 0.007620497 |
| Interleukin-1B via ELISA (pg/mL)  | 0.007547503 | 0.007646187 | 0.014035088 | 0.007547503 |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight   | 0.007517237 | 0.005039685 | 0.007017544 | 0.007517237 |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area                                      | 0.007500432 | 0.00741643  | 0.010526316 | 0.007500432 |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   | 0.00719579  | 0.004106597 | 0.014035088 | 0.00719579  |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)                                | 0.007054061 | 0.014543542 | 0.010526316 | 0.007054061 |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/ $\mu$ L)   | 0.006973812 | 0.008888854 | 0.01754386  | 0.006973812 |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol ( $\mu$ g/24 hours)  | 0.00650171  | 0.007939441 | 0.010526316 | 0.00650171  |
| Serum cortisol ( $\mu$ g/dL)  | 0.00583663  | 0.007164907 | 0.014035088 | 0.00583663  |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  | 0.005597229 | 0.008704836 | 0.010526316 | 0.005597229 |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 ( $\mu$ mol/L) | 0.005576786 | 0.006297576 | 0.007017544 | 0.005576786 |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  | 0.005467574 | 0.004446002 | 0.003508772 | 0.005467574 |
| Mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH) (pg)  | 0.005181663 | 0.013591552 | 0.010526316 | 0.005181663 |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis ( $\mu$ mol/L)   | 0.005058175 | 0.01368253  | 0.014035088 | 0.005058175 |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   | 0.005040676 | 0.00568806  | 0.003508772 | 0.005040676 |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  | 0.004905499 | 0.00071443  | 0.003508772 | 0.004905499 |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area  | 0.004842838 | 0.004365281 | 0.007017544 | 0.004842838 |
| rs11894266_C  | 0.004815596 | 0.001626576 | 0.003508772 | 0.004815596 |
| rs429358_C  | 0.004217372 | 0.009503585 | 0.007017544 | 0.004217372 |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | 0.00400406  | 0.005602415 | 0.003508772 | 0.00400406  |



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| Neutrophils (%)   | 0.00388351  | 0.007716045 | 0.010526316 | 0.00388351  |
| Lymphocytes (n, K/ $\mu$ L)   | 0.003737902 | 0.004870851 | 0.007017544 | 0.003737902 |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  | 0.003655515 | 0.008378834 | 0.010526316 | 0.003655515 |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       | 0.00365299  | 0.002054096 | 0.003508772 | 0.00365299  |
| Hematocrit (%)  | 0.003643905 | 0.003572639 | 0.003508772 | 0.003643905 |
| rs129968_A  | 0.003602199 | 0.006056578 | 0.003508772 | 0.003602199 |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL)             | 0.003578744 | 0.00854427  | 0.010526316 | 0.003578744 |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.003552118 | 0.005060933 | 0.003508772 | 0.003552118 |
| rs129968_A  | 0.003366369 | 0.001166338 | 0.003508772 | 0.003366369 |
| rs129968_A  | 0.003136504 | 0.008586573 | 0.007017544 | 0.003136504 |
| Interleukin-8 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)  | 0.003044247 | 0.001130557 | 0.007017544 | 0.003044247 |
| Adiponectin via RIA ( $\mu$ g/mL)   | 0.003007961 | 0.003092498 | 0.003508772 | 0.003007961 |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                 | 0.002996903 | 0.008428031 | 0.007017544 | 0.002996903 |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                             | 0.002933676 | 0.009319042 | 0.007017544 | 0.002933676 |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)            | 0.002864988 | 0.008290595 | 0.007017544 | 0.002864988 |
| rs3785880_G   | 0.002812    | 0.002084713 | 0.003508772 | 0.002812    |
| Fatty acid C16:0 weight (mg/L)  | 0.002756752 | 0.008702471 | 0.007017544 | 0.002756752 |
| rs3785880_G   | 0.002755476 | 0.00205785  | 0.003508772 | 0.002755476 |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.002722263 | 0.005708104 | 0.003508772 | 0.002722263 |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   | 0.002571323 | 0.005440035 | 0.003508772 | 0.002571323 |
| Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)                       | 0.002567023 | 0.00851028  | 0.007017544 | 0.002567023 |
| rs1800629_A   | 0.002566224 | 0.000827461 | 0.003508772 | 0.002566224 |
| rs7840202_C   | 0.002544047 | 0.000872785 | 0.003508772 | 0.002544047 |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography ( $\mu$ mol/L)       | 0.002486527 | 0.002014956 | 0.003508772 | 0.002486527 |
| rs360722_A  | 0.002412795 | 0.002982585 | 0.003508772 | 0.002412795 |
| rs12752888_C  | 0.002354584 | 0.003431046 | 0.003508772 | 0.002354584 |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | 0.00233496  | 0.005168944 | 0.007017544 | 0.00233496  |
| Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)  | 0.002292647 | 0.003466989 | 0.003508772 | 0.002292647 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area                                | 0.002120433 | 0.000759578 | 0.003508772 | 0.002120433 |
| Urine glucose (mg/dL)   | 0.002063151 | 0.00532065  | 0.003508772 | 0.002063151 |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected*** | 0.00204864  | 0.002395909 | 0.003508772 | 0.00204864  |
| Fatty acid C22:0 weight (mg/L)  | 0.001854603 | 0.003613198 | 0.003508772 | 0.001854603 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 0.001848406 | 0.00356917  | 0.007017544 | 0.001848406 |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography ( $\mu$ mol/L)            | 0.001844727 | 0.004465825 | 0.003508772 | 0.001844727 |
| Interleukin-12 via Bio-Plex (pg/mL)   | 0.001789151 | 0.000398635 | 0.003508772 | 0.001789151 |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)                                | 0.001712395 | 0.000343816 | 0.003508772 | 0.001712395 |
| Gamma glutamyl transferase (U/L)  | 0.001699071 | 0.000303829 | 0.003508772 | 0.001699071 |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.001657368 | 0.003377608 | 0.007017544 | 0.001657368 |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)  | 0.001620834 | 0.002680514 | 0.003508772 | 0.001620834 |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 0.001591306 | 0.003105553 | 0.003508772 | 0.001591306 |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)                                      | 0.001578132 | 0.00108992  | 0.003508772 | 0.001578132 |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | 0.001387468 | 0.004556416 | 0.003508772 | 0.001387468 |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA ( $\mu$ mol/L)  | 0.00137796  | 0.001595891 | 0.003508772 | 0.00137796  |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)    | 0.001353188 | 0.004284569 | 0.007017544 | 0.001353188 |
| rs16944_A   | 0.001347871 | 0.006524396 | 0.007017544 | 0.001347871 |
| rs1614735_G   | 0.001347489 | 0.004511853 | 0.003508772 | 0.001347489 |
| Fatty acid C22:0 (behenic) area   | 0.0011975   | 0.000379567 | 0.003508772 | 0.0011975   |
| rs6131_T  | 0.001162675 | 0.004222359 | 0.003508772 | 0.001162675 |
| rs8106922_G   | 0.001103625 | 0.003949645 | 0.003508772 | 0.001103625 |
| Urinary cortisol ( $\mu$ g/mL)  | 0.001072581 | 0.004113434 | 0.003508772 | 0.001072581 |
| rs10501927_G  | 0.001051906 | 0.004078632 | 0.003508772 | 0.001051906 |
| rs4363657_C   | 0.000844935 | 0.003497748 | 0.003508772 | 0.000844935 |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  | 0.00078235  | 0.003440932 | 0.003508772 | 0.00078235  |
| rs10883631_G  | 0.000627947 | 0.003206086 | 0.003508772 | 0.000627947 |
| rs11771145_A  | 0.000341898 | 0.000144683 | 0.003508772 | 0.000341898 |
| rs948399_C  | 0.00025933  | 0.000123066 | 0.003508772 | 0.00025933  |

**Table X. Clinical features by healthy control and phenotype**

| <b>Model 1</b>               | <b>Cognitive Decline</b> |         | <b>Frailty</b> |         | <b>Cognitive Frailty</b> |         |                          |         |             |         |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|----------------|---------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|
|                              | mean(SD)                 | p-value | mean(SD)       | p-value | mean(SD)                 | p-value |                          |         |             |         |
| <b>Age</b>                   |                          |         |                |         |                          |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Control                      | 65(15.7)                 |         | 72(6.2)        |         | 73(6.4)                  |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Phenotype                    | 80(8.7)                  | <0.0001 | 78(7.9)        | <0.0001 | 82(7.4)                  | <0.0001 |                          |         |             |         |
| <b>Anicholinergic Burden</b> |                          |         |                |         |                          |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Control                      | 2.18 (2.01)              |         | 1.75 (1.76)    |         | 2.15 (2.02)              |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Phenotype                    | 2.69 (2.19)              | <0.0001 | 2.89 (2.21)    | <0.0001 | 3.00 (2.16)              | <0.0001 |                          |         |             |         |
| <b>Gender</b>                | (n)                      |         | (n)            |         | (n)                      |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Healthy Control(M/F)         | 521/557                  |         | 286/274        |         | 418/480                  |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Phenotype(M/F)               | 121/254                  | <0.0001 | 214/381        | <0.0001 | 82/175                   | <0.0001 |                          |         |             |         |
| <b>Depression</b>            |                          |         |                |         |                          |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Control                      | 272                      |         | 91             |         | 250                      |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Phenotype                    | 140                      | <0.0001 | 269            | <0.0001 | 110                      | <0.0001 |                          |         |             |         |
| <b>Baseline Dementia</b>     |                          |         |                |         |                          |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Control                      |                          |         | 12             |         | 12                       |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Phenotype                    |                          |         | 70             | <0.0001 | 70                       | <0.0001 |                          |         |             |         |
| <b>Model 2</b>               | <b>Cognitive Decline</b> |         |                |         | <b>Frailty</b>           |         | <b>Cognitive Frailty</b> |         |             |         |
|                              | TrailA                   |         | TrailB         |         |                          |         | TrailA                   |         | TrailB      |         |
| <b>Age</b>                   | mean(SD)                 | p-value | mean(SD)       | p-value | mean(SD)                 | p-value | mean(SD)                 | p-value | mean(SD)    | p-value |
| Control                      | 61(16.4)                 |         | 52(17.4)       |         | 72(6.2)                  |         | 64(15.6)                 |         | 61(16.2)    |         |
| Phenotype                    | 76(7.7)                  | <0.0001 | 72(9.0)        | <0.0001 | 78(7.9)                  | <0.0001 | 78(7.4)                  | <0.0001 | 76(6.9)     | <0.0001 |
| <b>Anicholinergic Burden</b> |                          |         |                |         |                          |         |                          |         |             |         |
| Control                      | 1.95 (1.87)              |         | 1.77 (1.73)    |         | 1.75 (1.76)              |         | 1.85 (1.82)              |         | 1.68 (1.66) |         |
| Phenotype                    | 2.44 (2.12)              | <0.0011 | 2.23 (2.02)    | 0.042   | 2.89 (2.21)              | <0.0001 | 3.01 (2.20)              | <0.0001 | 2.79 (2.19) | <0.0001 |
| <b>Depression</b>            | (n)                      |         | (n)            |         | (n)                      |         | (n)                      |         | (n)         |         |
| Control                      | 135                      |         | 52             |         | 91                       |         | 188                      |         | 120         |         |
| Phenotype                    | 339                      | <0.0001 | 220            | <0.0001 | 269                      | <0.0001 | 151                      | <0.0001 | 152         | <0.0001 |



**Table XI. Genomic univariate results Model I**

| Gene/Phenotype           | Chromosome | SNP-allele   | Allele Count | Estimate | Std. Error | z value | Pr(> z ) |
|--------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|----------|------------|---------|----------|
| <b>Cognitive Decline</b> |            |              |              |          |            |         |          |
| <b>ACOT11</b>            | 1          | rs12752888_C | 1            | -0.48    | 0.15       | -3.30   | 0.001    |
| DAB1                     | 1          | rs1539053_A  | 1            | 0.33     | 0.16       | 1.99    | 0.05     |
| DAB1                     | 1          | rs1539053_A  | 2            | 0.45     | 0.19       | 2.29    | 0.02     |
| COMT                     | 22         | rs4646316_T  | 2            | -0.62    | 0.29       | -2.11   | 0.04     |
| IL6R                     | 1          | rs2228145_C  | 1            | -0.31    | 0.15       | -2.13   | 0.03     |
| <b>Frailty</b>           |            |              |              |          |            |         |          |
| <b>MMP3</b>              | 11         | rs948399_C   | 2            | 0.60     | 0.30       | 2.01    | 0.05     |
| <b>Cognitive Frailty</b> |            |              |              |          |            |         |          |
| <b>ACOT11</b>            | 1          | rs12752888_C | 1            | -0.47    | 0.18       | -2.67   | 0.01     |
| DAB1                     | 1          | rs1539053_A  | 1            | 0.51     | 0.20       | 2.58    | 0.01     |
| <b>MMP3</b>              | 11         | rs948399_C   | 1            | 0.41     | 0.17       | 2.46    | 0.01     |
| MTRR                     | 5          | rs1801394_G  | 2            | 0.80     | 0.23       | 3.48    | 0.001    |
| CD33                     | 19         | rs3865444_A  | 2            | 0.62     | 0.28       | 2.24    | 0.03     |

Note: bold text indicates the closes gene

**Table XII. Genomic univariate results Model II**

| Gene/Phenotype           | Neurocognitive Test | Chromosome | SNP-allele   | Allele Count | Estimate | Std. Error | z value | Pr(> z ) |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|----------|------------|---------|----------|
| <b>Cognitive Decline</b> |                     |            |              |              |          |            |         |          |
| <b>ACOT11</b>            | Trail B             | 1          | rs12752888_C | 2            | -0.58    | 0.27       | -2.12   | 0.03     |
| <b>ACOT11</b>            | Trail A             | 1          | rs12752888_C | 1            | -0.25    | 0.13       | -1.96   | 0.05     |
| <b>KCNU1</b>             | Trail B             | 8          | rs1157242_T  | 1            | 0.47     | 0.16       | 2.90    | 0.004    |
| PRNP                     | Trail B             | 20         | rs1799990_G  | 1            | 0.30     | 0.15       | 2.10    | 0.04     |
| PRNP                     | Trail A             | 20         | rs1799990_G  | 2            | 0.45     | 0.22       | 2.06    | 0.04     |
| <b>BIN1</b>              | Trail B             | 2          | rs744373_G   | 1            | -0.31    | 0.14       | -2.16   | 0.03     |
| <b>Frailty</b>           |                     |            |              |              |          |            |         |          |
| NECTIN2                  |                     | 19         | rs6859_A     | 1            | 0.33     | 0.14       | 2.34    | 0.02     |
| ABCA7                    |                     | 19         | rs4147929_A  | 2            | -0.27    | 0.14       | -1.96   | 0.05     |
| APOE                     |                     | 19         | rs429358_C   | 1            | -0.45    | 0.19       | -2.27   | 0.02     |
| SLCO1B1                  |                     | 12         | rs4363657_C  | 1            | 0.38     | 0.14       | 2.57    | 0.01     |
| <b>MMP3</b>              |                     | 11         | rs948399_C   | 2            | 0.60     | 0.29       | 2.01    | 0.04     |
| <b>Cognitive Frailty</b> |                     |            |              |              |          |            |         |          |
| <b>ACOT11</b>            | Trail B             | 1          | rs12752888_C | 1            | -0.37    | 0.15       | -2.46   | 0.01     |
| <b>ACOT11</b>            | Trail A             | 1          | rs12752888_C | 1            | -0.34    | 0.15       | -2.28   | 0.02     |
| APOE                     | Trail B             | 19         | rs429358_C   | 1            | -0.59    | 0.23       | -2.54   | 0.01     |
| SLCO1B1                  | Trail B             | 12         | rs4363657_C  | 1            | 0.38     | 0.16       | 2.39    | 0.02     |
| <b>MMP3</b>              | Trail A             | 11         | rs948399_C   | 1            | 0.29     | 0.15       | 2.00    | 0.05     |
| TOMM40                   | Trail A             | 19         | rs8106922_G  | 1            | -0.31    | 0.16       | -1.92   | 0.05     |

Note: bold text indicates the closes gene

**Table XIII. Difference between health control and cognitive decline results Model I**

| Cognitive Decline Model1  | Control Mean | SD      | Cognitive Mean | SD      | t -test | Corrected p-value |
|---|--------------|---------|----------------|---------|---------|-------------------|
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       | 56.26        | 36.69   | 39.66          | 29.96   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Adiponectin via RIA (µg/mL)   | 12.50        | 8.79    | 17.15          | 12.21   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Albumin (%)   | 59.58        | 3.40    | 57.43          | 3.86    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)   | 203.26       | 66.61   | 222.27         | 66.26   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  | 2.54         | 0.39    | 2.79           | 0.48    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)  | 11.06        | 1.28    | 11.59          | 1.46    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 32.98        | 9.09    | 39.03          | 17.24   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | 20.16        | 8.93    | 17.85          | 6.99    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                                  | 0.63         | 0.22    | 0.56           | 0.18    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)   | 86.84        | 30.09   | 66.91          | 25.91   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | 33.95        | 0.98    | 33.47          | 1.15    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 108.00       | 89.65   | 85.68          | 58.45   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     | 0.46         | 0.23    | 0.62           | 0.39    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   | 0.93         | 0.26    | 1.16           | 0.46    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)  | 115.68       | 96.75   | 72.89          | 64.01   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)  | 13.46        | 17.95   | 8.90           | 6.13    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  | 341.17       | 73.84   | 378.87         | 76.32   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Free thyroxine, fT4 (ng/dL)   | 1.42         | 0.31    | 1.53           | 0.45    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| ALT (U/L)   | 21.19        | 14.29   | 17.22          | 9.37    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/µL)  | 4.56         | 0.41    | 4.35           | 0.48    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)   | 14.59        | 6.43    | 17.62          | 7.69    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | 13.54        | 0.95    | 14.01          | 1.23    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA (µmol/L)  | 0.10         | 0.03    | 0.11           | 0.03    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 110.63       | 41.96   | 98.98          | 37.76   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         | 23.69        | 17.54   | 31.58          | 24.54   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | 3.78         | 1.84    | 4.62           | 2.57    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | 1310.62      | 578.43  | 1842.17        | 1068.12 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | 2.43         | 1.65    | 1.97           | 1.55    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 1058.67      | 372.66  | 825.55         | 326.16  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)                          | 388.48       | 148.94  | 429.37         | 175.28  | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected***         | 4397.72      | 1104.44 | 4122.44        | 1097.82 | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 1060.54      | 234.87  | 998.91         | 256.10  | 0.0003  | 0.0004            |
| Lymphocytes (n, K/µL)   | 1.94         | 0.65    | 1.79           | 0.63    | 0.0005  | 0.0007            |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   | 75.80        | 40.87   | 69.69          | 23.55   | 0.001   | 0.002             |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)  | 1.76         | 2.07    | 3.04           | 7.1     | 0.002   | 0.002             |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (nmols)  | 0.28         | 0.71    | 0.53           | 1.81    | 0.002   | 0.002             |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid area                                | 16.38        | 5.05    | 17.51          | 6.06    | 0.005   | 0.005             |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                     | 0.43         | 0.28    | 0.38           | 0.23    | 0.009   | 0.011             |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) | 33.68        | 7.32    | 32.33          | 8.31    | 0.011   | 0.012             |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid mols                                | 11.52        | 3.34    | 12.17          | 4.11    | 0.016   | 0.018             |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   | 5.03         | 1.35    | 5.27           | 1.65    | 0.019   | 0.021             |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)  | 90.04        | 4.65    | 90.76          | 5.22    | 0.03    | 0.031             |
| Serum cortisol (µg/dL)  | 13.62        | 5.00    | 13.02          | 4.32    | 0.039   | 0.039             |

**Table XIV. Difference between healthy control and frailty results Model I**

| Frailty Model 1   | Control Mean | SD     | Frailty Mean | SD     | t -test | Corrected p-value |
|---|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|---------|-------------------|
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       | 54.93        | 34.51  | 43.53        | 35.76  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Albumin (%)   | 59.18        | 3.38   | 57.96        | 3.73   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) | 34.44        | 7.65   | 32.65        | 7.39   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 33.79        | 7.44   | 37.5         | 15.92  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)   | 81.09        | 24.06  | 70.00        | 26.43  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | 33.90        | 1.02   | 33.56        | 1.05   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 104.22       | 61.69  | 86.84        | 55.12  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     | 0.47         | 0.23   | 0.58         | 0.35   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   | 0.97         | 0.19   | 1.13         | 0.42   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)   | 14.97        | 5.70   | 17.31        | 8.12   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | 13.62        | 0.93   | 13.89        | 1.16   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)  | 1.66         | 1.75   | 2.92         | 5.74   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 1069.54      | 249.81 | 1005.32      | 234.97 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         | 24.06        | 19.79  | 30.54        | 22.59  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | 3.72         | 1.67   | 4.36         | 2.48   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | 1343.02      | 429.61 | 1780.92      | 979.8  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 1020.45      | 334.7  | 860.38       | 323.47 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (µg/mL)   | 4.06         | 5.99   | 6.79         | 11.93  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  | 2.41         | 2.22   | 1.72         | 1.9    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)   | 13.99        | 1.25   | 13.43        | 1.51   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Hematocrit (%)  | 41.25        | 3.23   | 39.96        | 3.95   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                    | 142.73       | 85.5   | 177.97       | 159.09 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Neutrophils (n, K/µL)   | 3.59         | 1.18   | 3.90         | 1.31   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | 31.42        | 7.87   | 29.5         | 8.23   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  | 2.58         | 2.09   | 1.91         | 1.89   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                       | 2625.69      | 612.55 | 3053.98      | 958.87 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  | 17.72        | 14.75  | 25.45        | 21.55  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)  | 91.21        | 69.26  | 75.51        | 63.29  | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  | 3.50         | 2.12   | 3.03         | 1.88   | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Free thyroxine, FT4 (ng/dL)   | 1.43         | 0.29   | 1.51         | 0.41   | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Neutrophils (%)   | 59.52        | 8.49   | 61.48        | 8.52   | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  | 1724.25      | 315.92 | 1810.47      | 383.4  | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)            | 122.04       | 54.74  | 109.52       | 53.64  | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   | 79.52        | 54.09  | 70.44        | 20.08  | 0.0005  | 0.0008            |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)  | 0.43         | 0.19   | 0.48         | 0.27   | 0.0005  | 0.0008            |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                                     | 30.16        | 4.16   | 29.17        | 4.57   | 0.0005  | 0.0008            |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 139.09       | 35.77  | 132.56       | 32.7   | 0.0022  | 0.0032            |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  | 73.94        | 35.12  | 67.37        | 31.9   | 0.0023  | 0.0033            |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 110.92       | 44.27  | 102.85       | 37.76  | 0.003   | 0.004             |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 220.84       | 40.73  | 213.53       | 38.74  | 0.0031  | 0.0042            |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | 2.35         | 1.65   | 2.04         | 1.58   | 0.0036  | 0.0047            |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/µL)   | 6.01         | 1.56   | 6.29         | 1.63   | 0.0037  | 0.0048            |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                         | 7.47         | 6.61   | 6.09         | 9.08   | 0.0057  | 0.0072            |
| ALT (U/L)   | 20.47        | 11.99  | 18.43        | 12.05  | 0.0062  | 0.0076            |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                          | 0.71         | 0.34   | 0.65         | 0.34   | 0.0081  | 0.0097            |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | 20.46        | 9.87   | 18.95        | 7.51   | 0.0088  | 0.0103            |
| Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                           | 1.97         | 0.50   | 1.88         | 0.54   | 0.0103  | 0.0118            |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   | 96.75        | 46.4   | 89.89        | 39.48  | 0.0153  | 0.0172            |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)  | 105.33       | 52.21  | 95.94        | 73.57  | 0.0231  | 0.0255            |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.73         | 7.61   | 1.92         | 8.98   | 0.0292  | 0.0315            |
| Fatty acid C24:0 weight (mg/L)  | 4.66         | 4.51   | 4.05         | 4.11   | 0.0316  | 0.0331            |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                                      | 22.38        | 2.36   | 22.72        | 2.48   | 0.0319  | 0.0331            |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 24.66        | 2.36   | 24.99        | 2.47   | 0.0408  | 0.0416            |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                                    | 0.47         | 0.21   | 0.44         | 0.19   | 0.0471  | 0.0471            |

**Table XV. Difference between healthy control and cognitive frailty Model I**

| Cognitive Frailty Model 1   | Control Mean | SD      | Cognitive Frailty Mean | SD      | t -test | Corrected p-value |
|---|--------------|---------|------------------------|---------|---------|-------------------|
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       | 52.59        | 36.24   | 35.7                   | 29.34   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Adiponectin via RIA (µg/mL)   | 13.24        | 9.5     | 17.84                  | 12.39   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Albumin (%)   | 58.98        | 0.38    | 56.96                  | 4.01    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  | 2.59         | 0.39    | 2.86                   | 0.51    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)  | 11.21        | 1.25    | 11.71                  | 1.55    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) | 34.18        | 7.33    | 31.05                  | 7.93    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 37.14        | 9.44    | 41.67                  | 19.73   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                                  | 0.63         | 0.23    | 0.55                   | 0.17    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | 33.84        | 1       | 33.3                   | 1.11    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 99.49        | 59.53   | 79.37                  | 54.47   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     | 0.49         | 0.25    | 0.68                   | 0.41    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   | 0.99         | 0.26    | 1.26                   | 0.51    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)  | 87.58        | 67.99   | 66.59                  | 58.9    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  | 351.8        | 72.83   | 388.15                 | 80.03   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)   | 15.46        | 6.66    | 18.84                  | 8.18    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)   | 13.66        | 0.94    | 14.15                  | 1.31    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 109.63       | 42.53   | 96.43                  | 34.25   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         | 25.32        | 18.84   | 35.26                  | 28.42   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | 3.81         | 1.86    | 4.94                   | 2.82    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | 1430.03      | 579.89  | 2091.58                | 82.89   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   | 77.35        | 44.29   | 65.53                  | 19.93   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 979.14       | 333.91  | 767.17                 | 306.4   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                                    | 0.47         | 0.21    | 0.4                    | 0.16    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 138          | 33.95   | 127.04                 | 34.78   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)   | 13.9         | 1.29    | 12.95                  | 1.6     | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                                     | 29.98        | 4.23    | 28.41                  | 4.77    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  | 1741.7       | 334.78  | 1870.97                | 406.93  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  | 2.37         | 2.06    | 1.74                   | 1.75    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)            | 119.35       | 54.96   | 101.45                 | 50.44   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                       | 2709.69      | 709.84  | 3362.15                | 1054.91 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  | 19.3         | 16.32   | 30.9                   | 24.75   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)           | 30.7         | 8.31    | 27.17                  | 8.37    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid mols                                     | 31.76        | 4.32    | 30.18                  | 4.85    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | 30.92        | 8.02    | 28.56                  | 8.17    | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Urine nitrites  | 0.1          | 0.42    | 0.32                   | 0.71    | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | 2.28         | 1.64    | 1.83                   | 1.47    | 0.0004  | 0.0006            |
| Ca++ (mg/dL)  | 9.46         | 0.45    | 9.32                   | 0.5     | 0.0004  | 0.0006            |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                    | 151.95       | 111.77  | 194.04                 | 178.49  | 0.0011  | 0.0016            |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected***         | 4279.38      | 1121.16 | 4009.81                | 1077.64 | 0.0018  | 0.0025            |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (µg/mL)   | 4.81         | 8.05    | 7.91                   | 13.73   | 0.0018  | 0.0025            |
| Free thyroxine, FT4 (ng/dL)   | 1.45         | 0.31    | 1.56                   | 0.5     | 0.002   | 0.003             |
| Beta-carotene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                     | 0.43         | 0.27    | 0.37                   | 0.24    | 0.0039  | 0.0052            |
| Beta globulins (%)  | 11.94        | 1.18    | 12.25                  | 1.55    | 0.0065  | 0.0085            |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/µL)   | 6.08         | 1.55    | 6.44                   | 1.76    | 0.007   | 0.0089            |
| Mean platelet volume (MPV) (fL)   | 11.14        | 0.97    | 10.94                  | 1       | 0.0079  | 0.0097            |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                                      | 22.44        | 2.36    | 22.98                  | 2.62    | 0.008   | 0.0097            |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   | 5.13         | 1.37    | 5.47                   | 1.76    | 0.009   | 0.0107            |
| Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/L)   | 16.66        | 5.65    | 18.3                   | 8.56    | 0.0097  | 0.0113            |
| Advanced glycation endproduct (AGE): Carboxymethyl-lysine (ng/mL)                     | 361.53       | 105.78  | 390.73                 | 152.77  | 0.0107  | 0.0122            |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 24.42        | 2.36    | 25.24                  | 2.61    | 0.0112  | 0.0125            |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)   | 210.52       | 68.3    | 223.74                 | 68.06   | 0.0122  | 0.0134            |
| Serum creatinine (mg/dL)  | 0.92         | 0.19    | 0.98                   | 0.38    | 0.0217  | 0.0234            |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.98         | 7.78    | 2.8                    | 10.35   | 0.0333  | 0.0352            |
| Fatty acid C20:0 weight (mg/L)  | 2.87         | 2.84    | 2.52                   | 1.94    | 0.0412  | 0.0427            |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)  | 11.47        | 6.05    | 10.5                   | 6.27    | 0.0429  | 0.0437            |
| Lipids: HDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 56.27        | 14.72   | 53.8                   | 16.43   | 0.0466  | 0.0466            |

**Table XVI. Difference between healthy control and cognitive decline Model II**

| Cognitive Decline Model II   | Control |        | Cognitive |         | Corrected |         | Control |        | Cognitive |        | Corrected |        |         |         |
|--|---------|--------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|---------|---------|
|  | TrailA  | Mean   | SD        | Mean    | SD        | t -test | p-value | TrailB | Mean      | SD     | Mean      | SD     | t -test | p-value |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                    |         | 60.15  | 35.34     | 45.59   | 35.96     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 65.04     | 35.67  | 50.09     | 35.12  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Adiponectin via RIA (µg/mL)  |         | 12.02  | 8.69      | 15.3    | 11.07     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 11.26     | 8.43   | 14.02     | 10.52  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Albumin (%)  |         | 60.08  | 3.24      | 58.34   | 3.47      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 60.9      | 31.4   | 58.86     | 3.32   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)                                      |         | 198.81 | 63.42     | 216.06  | 70.31     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 192.94    | 59.16  | 211.62    | 69.68  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)   |         | 2.5    | 0.38      | 2.67    | 0.41      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 2.46      | 0.39   | 2.6       | 0.39   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Alpha-2 globulin (%)   |         | 10.94  | 1.24      | 11.35   | 1.31      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 10.66     | 1.25   | 11.24     | 1.25   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Beta globulins (%)   |         | 11.66  | 1.24      | 12.04   | 1.31      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 11.43     | 1.28   | 11.97     | 1.27   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)  |         | 32.23  | 7.68      | 35.75   | 12.41     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 30.77     | 7.1    | 34.43     | 10.32  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Fatty acid C16:0 weight (mg/L)                                     |         | NA     | NA        | NA      | NA        | NA      | NA      |        | 704.19    | 201.01 | 733.25    | 183.76 | 0.0341  | 0.0366  |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                 |         | 0.49   | 0.21      | 0.45    | 0.18      | 0.0011  | 0.0015  |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)                                 |         | 20.55  | 9.62      | 19.22   | 7.22      | 0.0097  | 0.0112  |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid weight               |         | 0.64   | 0.24      | 0.59    | 0.19      | 0.0011  | 0.0015  |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Fatty acid C24:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                   |         | 0.15   | 0.13      | 0.13    | 0.14      | 0.016   | 0.0176  |        | 0.16      | 0.14   | 0.14      | 0.13   | 0.0071  | 0.0085  |
| Ca++ (mg/dL)   |         | 9.49   | 0.44      | 9.42    | 0.45      | 0.0093  | 0.0109  |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)                      |         | 92.61  | 30.4      | 72.83   | 25.51     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 99.97     | 31.39  | 79.81     | 26.95  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)                                    |         | 34.09  | 0.94      | 33.64   | 1.02      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 34.26     | 0.93   | 33.8      | 0.99   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH) (pg)                             |         | 30.67  | 1.74      | 30.45   | 1.96      | 0.0368  | 0.0385  |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Cortisol:DHEAS ratio (nmols)                                       |         | 0.25   | 0.58      | 0.43    | 1.54      | 0.0118  | 0.0133  |        | 0.23      | 0.61   | 0.45      | 1.25   | 0.0437  | 0.046   |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)                                       |         | 113.55 | 100.7     | 95.32   | 58.92     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 125.29    | 128.15 | 99.28     | 58.23  | 0.0004  | 0.0006  |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (µg/mL)                      |         | 3.89   | 5.78      | 5.87    | 11.73     | 0.0004  | 0.0006  |        | 3.18      | 5.17   | 5         | 8.07   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                  |         | 0.43   | 0.2       | 0.54    | 0.3       | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 0.41      | 0.19   | 0.48      | 0.26   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)  |         | 0.89   | 0.2       | 1.06    | 0.35      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 0.84      | 0.19   | 0.99      | 0.28   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)                             |         | 124.75 | 101.28    | 85.52   | 70.91     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 153.71    | 115.09 | 91.51     | 72.62  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)                     |         | 0.43   | 0.21      | 0.46    | 0.22      | 0.0382  | 0.0393  |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)                             |         | 14.79  | 17.95     | 9.25    | 6.72      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 18.56     | 21.94  | 9.89      | 0.34   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)   |         | 334.82 | 71.84     | 361.82  | 75.38     | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 320.51    | 70.23  | 353.39    | 73.21  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen                               |         | 3.04   | 2.98      | 1.73    | 1.91      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 3.5       | 3.3    | 2.13      | 2.27   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Free thyroxine, fT4 (ng/dL)  |         | 1.39   | 0.29      | 1.48    | 0.37      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 1.39      | 0.27   | 1.44      | 0.33   | 0.0081  | 0.0096  |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)  |         | 91.66  | 23.24     | 97.13   | 28.81     | 0.0004  | 0.0006  |        | 87.99     | 18.83  | 96.84     | 28.52  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| ALT (U/L)  |         | 21.76  | 13.91     | 18.88   | 11.88     | 0.0001  | 0.0001  |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/µL)                             |         | 4.58   | 0.39      | 4.47    | 0.43      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| BL Hemoglobin (g/dL)   |         | 14.03  | 1.28      | 13.58   | 1.31      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 14.05     | 1.32   | 13.82     | 1.27   | 0.0056  | 0.007   |
| BL Hematocrit (%)  |         | 41.13  | 3.28      | 40.36   | 3.5       | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | NA        | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)                            |         | 13.91  | 5.44      | 16.26   | 7.09      | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 13.39     | 5.22   | 15.17     | 6.22   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Red cell distribution width (RDW) (%)                              |         | 13.44  | 0.89      | 13.81   | 1         | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |        | 13.33     | 0.87   | 13.68     | 0.97   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)       |         | NA     | NA        | NA      | NA        | NA      | NA      |        | 365.8     | 143.93 | 399.41    | 151.46 | 0.0005  | 0.0007  |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL) |         | 146.07 | 101.47    | 164.11  | 128.81    | 0.0078  | 0.0093  |        | 135.45    | 82.99  | 161.09    | 130.16 | 0.0001  | <0.0001 |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                     |         | 1.55   | 1.82      | 2.47    | 5.54      | 0.0002  | 0.0003  |        | 1.31      | 1.84   | 1.97      | 2.18   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |
| Plasma insulin via RIA (mIU/L)                                     |         | 10.57  | 6.24      | 22.45   | 6.24      | 0.0161  | 0.0176  |        | 9.93      | 6.45   | 11.27     | 6.19   | 0.0016  | 0.0021  |
| Lipoprotein(a) (mg/dL)   |         | NA     | NA        | NA      | NA        | NA      | NA      |        | 19.14     | 22.85  | 22.22     | 25.42  | 0.0495  | 0.0495  |
| Methylmalonic acid, MMA (µmol/L)                                   |         | 0.1    | 0.03      | 0.11    | 0.03      | 0.0012  | 0.0016  |        | 0.1       | 0.03   | 0.11      | 0.03   | 0.0002  | 0.0003  |
| Lymphocytes (n, K/µL)  |         | 1.96   | 0.65      | 1.85    | 0.65      | 0.0007  | 0.001   |        | 2.04      | 0.65   | 1.9       | 0.67   | 0.0012  | 0.0016  |
| Na+ (mEq/L)  |         | 141.6  | 2.35      | 142.045 | 2.63      | 0.0019  | 0.0024  |        | 141.51    | 2.28   | 141.93    | 2.52   | 0.0064  | 0.0079  |

| Cognitive Decline Model II  | TrailA | Control |         | Cognitive |         | t -test | p-value | Corrected | TrailB | Control |        | Cognitive |        | t -test | p-value | Corrected |
|---|--------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|--------|---------|--------|-----------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
|   |        | Mean    | SD      | Mean      | SD      |         |         |           |        | Mean    | SD     | Mean      | SD     |         |         |           |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                             |        | 2.09    | 0.62    | 1.88      | 0.57    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 2.16    | 0.67   | 1.97      | 0.59   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       |        | 113.81  | 43.61   | 104.23    | 37.54   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | NA      | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |           |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                      |        | 3.53    | 0.98    | 3.21      | 0.93    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 3.64    | 1.04   | 3.34      | 0.94   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Ratio of Omega-6:Omega-3 as % of total fatty acid weight                      |        | 10.34   | 2.95    | 10.7      | 3.19    | 0.0479  | 0.0486  |           |        | NA      | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |           |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                             |        | 31.41   | 4.39    | 29.3      | 4.38    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 32.26   | 4.3    | 30.02     | 4.35   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid mols                             |        | 33.15   | 4.43    | 331.08    | 4.46    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 33.99   | 0.25   | 31.8      | 4.42   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)                                       |        | 1082.37 | 243.69  | 1028.01   | 223.72  | 0.0001  | 0.0001  |           |        | NA      | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |           |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight                           |        | 34.05   | 4.43    | 31.98     | 4.47    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 34.89   | 4.31   | 32.7      | 4.43   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Lymphocytes (%)   |        | 31.98   | 8.19    | 30.58     | 8.03    | 0.0028  | 0.0034  |           |        | 32.9    | 8.42   | 31.03     | 8.09   | 0.0007  | 0.001   |           |
| Neutrophils (%)   |        | 59.12   | 8.81    | 60.47     | 8.4     | 0.0067  | 0.0081  |           |        | 58.2    | 9.19   | 60.03     | 8.52   | 0.002   | 0.0026  |           |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                 |        | 22.24   | 17.65   | 27.87     | 19.24   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 22.33   | 22.59  | 25.03     | 14.54  | 0.0466  | 0.0474  |           |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  |        | 3.71    | 1.72    | 4.13      | 2.23    | 0.0007  | 0.001   |           |        | 3.59    | 1.65   | 3.89      | 1.95   | 0.0126  | 0.0143  |           |
| Retinol via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                   |        | 1.97    | 0.48    | 1.88      | 0.49    | 0.0005  | 0.0007  |           |        | 1.99    | 0.47   | 1.91      | 0.49   | 0.0105  | 0.0121  |           |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  |        | 1651.2  | 339.4   | 1781.38   | 335.52  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 1595.57 | 318.07 | 1733.72   | 340.59 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/L)   |        | 15.98   | 5.49    | 16.99     | 5.48    | 0.0016  | 0.002   |           |        | NA      | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |           |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  |        | 2.76    | 2.2     | 1.94      | 1.92    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 2.97    | 2.29   | 2.17      | 1.99   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)    |        | 147.92  | 72.25   | 109.88    | 51.83   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 164.2   | 78.49  | 121.24    | 57.78  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                |        | 1200.34 | 443.28  | 1594.19   | 785.34  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 1101.48 | 441.51 | 1418.13   | 603.9  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)               |        | 2416.55 | 657.28  | 2869.39   | 827.95  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 2267.59 | 638.78 | 2695.09   | 747.26 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Thyroid stimulating hormone, TSH (mIU/L)                                      |        | 1.66    | 2.24    | 2.36      | 7       | 0.0357  | 0.0379  |           |        | NA      | NA     | NA        | NA     | NA      | NA      |           |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   |        | 2.57    | 1.74    | 2.09      | 1.47    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 2.62    | 1.56   | 2.31      | 1.66   | 0.0054  | 0.0069  |           |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)  |        | 108.88  | 55.55   | 100.63    | 68.22   | 0.0273  | 0.0294  |           |        | 111.52  | 50.52  | 102.66    | 58.56  | 0.0145  | 0.0161  |           |
| Urinary cortisol (µg/mL)  |        | NA      | NA      | NA        | NA      | NA      | NA      |           |        | 0.08    | 0.06   | 0.07      | 0.05   | 0.0201  | 0.022   |           |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)                                      |        | 1132.16 | 384.36  | 884.66    | 304.86  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 1211    | 383.23 | 977.63    | 348.15 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  |        | 81.52   | 39.44   | 67.67     | 32.17   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 88.75   | 42.01  | 71.27     | 34.64  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   |        | 101.12  | 45.54   | 92.5      | 41.92   | 0.0011  | 0.0015  |           |        | 106.71  | 46.11  | 93.3      | 41.77  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)                                |        | 16.98   | 15.83   | 22.82     | 19.49   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 15.18   | 14.53  | 20.48     | 18.15  | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| Mean corpuscular volume (MCV) (fL)  |        | 89.96   | 4.47    | 90.49     | 4.86    | 0.0492  | 0.0492  |           |        | 89.6    | 4.55   | 90.21     | 4.74   | 0.0458  | 0.0474  |           |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                 |        | 8.32    | 5.57    | 6.56      | 6.64    | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 9.34    | 5.91   | 6.93      | 6.24   | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected*** |        | 4497.55 | 1077.25 | 4229.28   | 1103.01 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 |           |        | 4595.71 | 993.38 | 4347.15   | 1145.3 | 0.0005  | 0.0007  |           |



**Table XVII. Difference between healthy control and frailty Model II**

| Frailty Model II  | Control Mean | SD     | Frailty Mean | SD     | t -test | Corrected p-value |
|---|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|---------|-------------------|
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)           | 30.99        | 8.29   | 29.00        | 8.46   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) | 34.44        | 7.65   | 32.65        | 7.39   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Lymphocytes (%)   | 31.42        | 7.88   | 29.50        | 8.23   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       | 54.93        | 34.5   | 43.52        | 35.77  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  | 2.57         | 0.36   | 2.72         | 0.47   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   | 33.79        | 7.44   | 37.5         | 15.92  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)   | 81.09        | 24.06  | 70.00        | 26.43  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   | 33.9         | 1.02   | 33.56        | 1.05   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  | 104.23       | 61.69  | 86.84        | 55.12  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (µg/mL)   | 4.06         | 5.99   | 6.79         | 11.93  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     | 0.47         | 0.23   | 0.58         | 0.35   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  | 2.41         | 2.22   | 1.72         | 1.9    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Red blood cells (RBC) (n, millions/µL)  | 4.57         | 0.38   | 4.42         | 0.48   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)   | 14.97        | 5.70   | 17.32        | 8.12   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                    | 142.73       | 85.50  | 177.97       | 159.09 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)  | 1.67         | 1.75   | 2.92         | 5.74   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Neutrophils (n, K/µL)   | 3.60         | 1.18   | 3.90         | 1.31   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 1069.54      | 249.81 | 1005.32      | 234.97 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         | 24.06        | 19.79  | 30.55        | 22.59  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  | 3.72         | 1.67   | 4.36         | 2.48   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  | 2.58         | 2.09   | 1.91         | 1.89   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        | 1343.02      | 429.62 | 1780.92      | 979.8  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-a receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                       | 2625.69      | 612.55 | 3053.98      | 958.87 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  | 1020.45      | 334.70 | 860.38       | 323.47 | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  | 17.72        | 14.75  | 25.45        | 21.55  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| IL-6 high-sensitivity ELISA calculated from ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)              | 3.11         | 2.00   | 4.23         | 2.82   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)   | 205.18       | 66.26  | 221.01       | 69.64  | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)  | 91.21        | 69.26  | 75.51        | 63.3   | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  | 3.50         | 2.12   | 3.03         | 1.88   | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Free thyroxine, FT4 (ng/dL)   | 1.43         | 0.30   | 1.51         | 0.41   | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  | 1724.25      | 315.92 | 1810.47      | 383.4  | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)            | 122.04       | 54.74  | 109.52       | 53.63  | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)  | 0.43         | 0.19   | 0.48         | 0.27   | 0.0005  | 0.0008            |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                                     | 30.16        | 4.16   | 29.17        | 4.57   | 0.0005  | 0.0008            |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   | 79.52        | 54.09  | 70.44        | 20.08  | 0.0005  | 0.0008            |
| Lipids: LDL cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 139.01       | 35.77  | 132.56       | 32.70  | 0.0022  | 0.0034            |
| Omega-3 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   | 110.92       | 44.27  | 102.85       | 37.76  | 0.0029  | 0.0043            |
| Lipids: total cholesterol (mg/dL)   | 220.84       | 40.73  | 213.53       | 38.74  | 0.0031  | 0.0045            |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   | 2.35         | 1.65   | 2.04         | 1.58   | 0.0036  | 0.0051            |
| White blood cells (WBC) (n, K/µL)   | 6.01         | 1.56   | 6.3          | 1.63   | 0.0037  | 0.0051            |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                         | 7.47         | 6.61   | 6.09         | 9.08   | 0.0057  | 0.0076            |
| ALT (U/L)   | 20.48        | 11.99  | 18.44        | 12.05  | 0.0062  | 0.0081            |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 weight (mg/L)  | 20.46        | 9.87   | 18.95        | 7.51   | 0.0088  | 0.0113            |
| Adiponectin via RIA (µg/mL)   | 13.31        | 9.72   | 15.05        | 10.83  | 0.0094  | 0.0118            |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                                     | 1.99         | 0.62   | 1.89         | 0.59   | 0.0141  | 0.0172            |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   | 96.75        | 46.40  | 89.89        | 39.48  | 0.0153  | 0.0183            |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   | 5.09         | 1.29   | 5.30         | 1.60   | 0.0175  | 0.0205            |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)  | 105.33       | 52.21  | 95.94        | 73.57  | 0.0231  | 0.0265            |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 cis (eicosapentaenoic, EPA) area                                 | 79.94        | 51.57  | 73.05        | 43.36  | 0.0275  | 0.0309            |
| Urine proteins (mg/dL)  | 0.73         | 7.61   | 1.93         | 8.98   | 0.0292  | 0.0321            |
| Fatty acid C24:0 weight (mg/L)  | 4.65         | 4.51   | 4.05         | 4.11   | 0.0316  | 0.0337            |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid weight                                      | 22.38        | 2.36   | 22.72        | 2.48   | 0.0319  | 0.0337            |
| Fatty acid C16:0 as % of total fatty acid area  | 24.66        | 2.36   | 24.98        | 2.46   | 0.0408  | 0.0423            |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight                                   | 3.35         | 0.97   | 3.23         | 0.95   | 0.0457  | 0.0465            |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                                    | 0.47         | 0.22   | 0.44         | 0.19   | 0.0471  | 0.0471            |



**Table XVIII. Difference between healthy control and cognitive frailty Model II**

| Cognitive Frailty Model II  | TrailA | Control |         | Cognitive Frailty |         | t -test | Corrected p-value | TrailB | Control |         | Cognitive Frailty |         | t -test | Corrected p-value |
|---|--------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|---------|-------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|---------|-------------------|
|   |        | Mean    | SD      | Mean              | SD      |         |                   |        | Mean    | SD      | Mean              | SD      |         |                   |
| 25(OH)-D (25-hydroxyvitamin D) via RIA (nmol/L)                                       |        | 57.82   | 36.01   | 40.97             | 34.34   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 58.33   | 33.73   | 47.92             | 40.02   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Adiponectin via RIA (µg/mL)   |        | 12.66   | 9.11    | 15.85             | 11.71   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 12.41   | 9.13    | 14.66             | 11.45   | 0.0028  | 0.0034            |
| Albumin (%)   |        | 59.71   | 3.34    | 58.09             | 3.51    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 59.99   | 3.27    | 58.52             | 3.45    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-2-macroglobulin (mg/dL)   |        | 201.68  | 64.3    | 221.07            | 73.22   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 197.37  | 61.88   | 223.54            | 74.06   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Alpha-1 globulin (%)  |        | 2.53    | 0.38    | 2.69              | 0.43    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 2.51    | 0.39    | 2.64              | 0.43    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)           |        | 30.47   | 8.24    | 29.01             | 8.39    | 0.0092  | 0.01              |        | NA      | NA      | NA                | NA      | NA      | NA                |
| Vitamin E alpha tocopherol, high performance liquid chromatography, assay #2 (µmol/L) |        | 33.91   | 7.54    | 32.86             | 7.43    | 0.0367  | 0.0367            |        | NA      | NA      | NA                | NA      | NA      | NA                |
| Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)   |        | 32.61   | 7.77    | 37.42             | 14.90   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 32.12   | 7.20    | 0.27              | 13.06   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fatty acid C20:5 n-3 as % of total fatty acid area                                    |        | 0.48    | 0.20    | 0.19              | 0.19    | 0.027   | 0.0275            |        | NA      | NA      | NA                | NA      | NA      | NA                |
| Creatinine clearance, 24-hr urine (mL/minute)   |        | 88.69   | 29.71   | 68.68             | 25.64   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 9.48    | 30.34   | 74.67             | 25.66   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| MCH concentration (MCHC) (g/dL)   |        | 34.01   | 1.00    | 33.54             | 0.96    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 34.07   | 1.00    | 33.67             | 0.96    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Serum cortisol (µg/dL)  |        | NA      | NA      | NA                | NA      | NA      | NA                |        | 13.67   | 5.06    | 12.73             | 4.37    | 0.0026  | 0.0033            |
| Creatine phosphokinase (U/L)  |        | 110.89  | 92.60   | 88.84             | 53.96   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 115.10  | 99.11   | 91.46             | 54.64   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| C-reactive protein - high sensitivity (µg/mL)   |        | 4.01    | 6.14    | 7.11              | 14.37   | 0.0004  | 0.0005            |        | 3.77    | 6.02    | 5.83              | 9.44    | 0.0004  | 0.0006            |
| C-terminal telopeptide of type-1 collagen (ng/mL)                                     |        | 0.44    | 0.21    | 0.59              | 0.35    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 0.43    | 0.20    | 0.53              | 0.31    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Cystatin C (mg/L)   |        | 0.91    | 0.21    | 1.13              | 0.42    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 0.88    | 0.19    | 1.07              | 0.35    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (µg/dL)  |        | 116.98  | 95.79   | 77.99             | 67.71   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 125.8   | 100.15  | 80.97             | 67.13   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Endogenous secretory receptor for AGEs (ng/mL)  |        | 0.43    | 0.2     | 0.48              | 0.25    | 0.0077  | 0.0083            |        | 0.43    | 0.18    | 0.48              | 0.27    | 0.0086  | 0.0094            |
| Estradiol via radioimmunoassay (pg/mL)  |        | 13.29   | 15.99   | 9.52              | 7.18    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 14.30   | 17.34   | 9.35              | 6.52    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Fibrinogen (mg/dL)  |        | 339.88  | 72.16   | 367.95            | 78.12   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 334.56  | 73.08   | 360.54            | 72.38   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Folate via RIA (ng/mL)  |        | 3.41    | 2.14    | 3.02              | 1.70    | 0.0013  | 0.0017            |        | 3.43    | 2.14    | 3.07              | 1.91    | 0.0078  | 0.0087            |
| Free testosterone (ng/dL), Vermeulen  |        | 2.72    | 2.80    | 1.67              | 1.92    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 2.95    | 2.96    | 1.74              | 1.89    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Blood glucose (mg/dL)   |        | NA      | NA      | NA                | NA      | NA      | NA                |        | 92.18   | 24.40   | 97.77             | 29.05   | 0.0028  | 0.0034            |
| Hematocrit (%)  |        | 41.02   | 3.28    | 40.06             | 3.64    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 41.07   | 3.23    | 40.51             | 3.48    | 0.0147  | 0.0153            |
| Homocysteine via FPIA analysis (µmol/L)   |        | 14.16   | 5.57    | 17.39             | 7.78    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 13.88   | 5.59    | 16.17             | 6.47    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Interleukin-18 via ELISA ultrasensitive using plasma (pg/mL)                          |        | 386.20  | 149.66  | 411.61            | 156.28  | 0.0146  | 0.0154            |        | 382.19  | 150.56  | 402.02            | 147.03  | 0.0478  | 0.0478            |
| Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)                    |        | 146.60  | 97.39   | 177.16            | 154.61  | 0.0015  | 0.0019            |        | 142.80  | 95.94   | 174.54            | 153.13  | 0.0007  | 0.001             |
| Interleukin-6 via ELISA ultrasensitive (pg/mL)  |        | 1.57    | 1.81    | 3.14              | 7.22    | 0.0003  | 0.0004            |        | 1.46    | 1.77    | 2.42              | 2.57    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Lycopene via high performance liquid chromatography (µmol/L)                          |        | 0.71    | 0.34    | 0.65              | 0.31    | 0.0042  | 0.005             |        | NA      | NA      | NA                | NA      | NA      | NA                |
| Lymphocytes (n, K/µL)   |        | 1.95    | 0.64    | 1.83              | 0.67    | 0.0073  | 0.0085            |        | 1.98    | 0.65    | 1.87              | 0.69    | 0.0184  | 0.0188            |
| Omega-3 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid area                                     |        | 2.04    | 0.62    | 1.88              | 0.56    | 0.0002  | 0.0003            |        | 2.07    | 0.63    | 1.96              | 0.60    | 0.0049  | 0.0056            |
| Omega-6 plasma fatty acid weight (mg/L)   |        | 1069.85 | 241.60  | 1022.35           | 216.50  | 0.0024  | 0.0029            |        | 1086.09 | 239.82  | 1034.56           | 223.86  | 0.0016  | 0.0021            |
| Omega-6 fatty acids as % of total fatty acid weight                                   |        | 33.57   | 4.45    | 31.76             | 4.64    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 33.93   | 4.42    | 32.32             | 4.52    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Lymphocytes (%)   |        | 31.96   | 8.07    | 29.53             | 8.13    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 32.45   | 8.16    | 29.87             | 8.16    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Neutrophils (%)   |        | 59.15   | 8.64    | 61.46             | 8.47    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 58.64   | 8.83    | 61.19             | 8.42    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Parathyroid hormone, two-site immunoradiometric assay (pg/mL)                         |        | 22.68   | 16.32   | 31.12             | 23.23   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 22.36   | 17.44   | 28.13             | 17.47   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Resistin via EIA (ng/mL)  |        | 3.75    | 1.87    | 4.33              | 2.19    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 3.67    | 1.66    | 4.05              | 2.23    | 0.0094  | 0.01              |
| Soluble CD14 via ELISA (ng/mL)  |        | 1670.14 | 331.90  | 1824.72           | 386.26  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 1653.78 | 323.41  | 1760.93           | 361.97  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Total testosterone (ng/mL)  |        | 2.57    | 2.17    | 1.85              | 1.87    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 2.68    | 2.20    | 1.87              | 1.84    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Total insulin-like growth factor-1, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL)            |        | 139.07  | 69.69   | 106.54            | 49.24   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 145.42  | 71.16   | 113.21            | 55.61   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor I via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                        |        | 1248.81 | 471.88  | 1763.25           | 914.92  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 1191.01 | 432.04  | 1592.49           | 741.76  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Soluble TNF-α receptor II via quantitative sandwich EIA (pg/mL)                       |        | 2473.75 | 654.70  | 3059.1            | 924.41  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 2399.93 | 623.03  | 2903.60           | 862.17  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (pg/mL)   |        | 76.51   | 42.76   | 71.47             | 19.74   | 0.0064  | 0.0074            |        | NA      | NA      | NA                | NA      | NA      | NA                |
| Urinary Ca (mmol/L)   |        | 2.50    | 1.74    | 1.90              | 1.18    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 2.52    | 1.63    | 2.15              | 1.64    | 0.0001  | 0.0001            |
| 24-hour urinary cortisol (µg/24 hours)  |        | 108.98  | 32.17   | 93.34             | 57.87   | 0.0001  | 0.0001            |        | 109.66  | 50.09   | 96.01             | 67.41   | 0.0018  | 0.0023            |
| Urinary cortisol (µg/mL)  |        | 1082.84 | 374.84  | 833.83            | 294.48  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 1119.54 | 381.66  | 902.09            | 314.87  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| 24-hour urinary creatinine (mg/24 hours)  |        | 1082.84 | 374.84  | 833.83            | 294.48  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 1119.54 | 381.66  | 902.09            | 314.87  | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Urinary creatinine (mg/dL)  |        | 78.09   | 38.10   | 66.78             | 32.12   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 80.74   | 39.52   | 68.38             | 33.02   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Urinary Na (mmol/L)   |        | 99.50   | 45.59   | 90.34             | 38.51   | 0.0014  | 0.0018            |        | 101.58  | 44.78   | 88.47             | 39.39   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Uric acid (mg/dL)   |        | 4.98    | 1.28    | 5.22              | 1.56    | 0.0148  | 0.0154            |        | 4.93    | 1.29    | 5.19              | 1.36    | 0.0036  | 0.0042            |
| Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) (mm/hour)  |        | 17.59   | 15.96   | 25.67             | 21.42   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 16.67   | 14.84   | 23.32             | 20.66   | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| Vitamin B6 via high performance liquid chromatography (ng/mL)                         |        | 8.12    | 6.21    | 5.75              | 5.47    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |        | 8.48    | 6.28    | 6.08              | 5.79    | <0.0001 | <0.0001           |
| IGF binding protein-3, serum, immunoradiometric assay (ng/mL) ***corrected***         |        | 4452.55 | 1077.41 | 4158.20           | 1124.84 | 0.0001  | 0.0001            |        | 4517.72 | 1060.85 | 4238.12           | 1166.19 | 0.0004  | 0.0006            |

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Drugs with ACB Score of 1

| Generic Name   | Brand Name             |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Alimemazine    | Theralen™              |
| Alverine       | Spasmonal™             |
| Alprazolam     | Xanax™                 |
| Aripiprazole   | Ablify™                |
| Asenapine      | Saphris™               |
| Atenolol       | Tenormin™              |
| Bupropion      | Wellbutrin™, Zyban™    |
| Captopril      | Capoten™               |
| Cetirizine     | Zyrtec™                |
| Chlorthalidone | Diuril™, Hygroton™     |
| Cimetidine     | Tagamet™               |
| Cildinium      | Librax™                |
| Clorazepate    | Tranxene™              |
| Codeine        | Contin™                |
| Colchicine     | Colcrys™               |
| Desloratadine  | Clarinetx™             |
| Diazepam       | Valium™                |
| Digoxin        | Lanoxin™               |
| Dipyridamole   | Persantine™            |
| Disopyramide   | Norpace™               |
| Fentanyl       | Duregesic™, Actiq™     |
| Furosemide     | Lasix™                 |
| Fluvoxamine    | Luvox™                 |
| Haloperidol    | Haldol™                |
| Hyalalazine    | Aprisoline™            |
| Hydrocortisone | Cortef™, Cortaid™      |
| Iloperidone    | Fenapt™                |
| Isosorbide     | Isordil™, Ismo™        |
| Levocetirizine | Xyzal™                 |
| Loperamide     | Immodium™, others      |
| Loratadine     | Claritin™              |
| Metoprolol     | Lopressor™, Toprol™    |
| Morphine       | MS Contin™, Avinza™    |
| Nifedipine     | Procardia™, Adalat™    |
| Paliperidone   | Invega™                |
| Prednisone     | Deltasone™, Sterapred™ |
| Quinidine      | Quinaglute™            |
| Ranitidine     | Zantac™                |
| Risperidone    | Risperdal™             |
| Theophylline   | Theodur™, Uniphyll™    |
| Trazodone      | Desyrel™               |
| Triamterene    | Dyrenium™              |
| Venlafaxine    | Effexor™               |
| Warfarin       | Coumadin™              |

Drugs with ACB Score of 2

| Generic Name      | Brand Name  |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Amantadine        | Symmetrel™  |
| Belladonna        | Multiple    |
| Carbamazepine     | Tegretol™   |
| Cyclobenzaprine   | Flexeril™   |
| Cyproheptadine    | Pericort™   |
| Loxapine          | Loxitane™   |
| Meperidine        | Demerol™    |
| Methotrimeprazine | Levoprome™  |
| Molindone         | Moban™      |
| Nefopam           | Nefogestic™ |
| Oxcarbazepine     | Trileptal™  |
| Pimozide          | Orap™       |

Drugs with ACB Score of 3

| Generic Name     | Brand Name          |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Amritriptyline   | Elavil™             |
| Amoxapine        | Asendin™            |
| Atropine         | Sal-Tropine™        |
| Benztropine      | Cogentin™           |
| Brompheniramine  | Dimetapp™           |
| Carbinoxamine    | Histex™, Carbihist™ |
| Chlorpheniramine | Chlor-Trimeton™     |
| Chlorpromazine   | Thorazine™          |
| Clemastine       | Tavist™             |
| Clomipramine     | Anafranil™          |
| Clozapine        | Clozaril™           |
| Darifenacin      | Enablex™            |
| Desipramine      | Norpramin™          |
| Dicyclomine      | Bentyl™             |
| Dimenhydrinate   | Dramamine™, others  |
| Diphenhydramine  | Benadryl™, others   |
| Doxepin          | Sinequan™           |
| Doxylamine       | Unisom™, others     |
| Fesoterodine     | Toviaz™             |
| Flavoxate        | Urispas™            |
| Hydroxyzine      | Atarax™, Vistaril™  |
| Hyoscyamine      | Anaspaz™, Levsin™   |
| Imipramine       | Tofranil™           |
| Mecizine         | Antivert™           |
| Methocarbamol    | Robaxin™            |
| Nortriptyline    | Pamelor™            |
| Olanzapine       | Zyprexa™            |
| Orphenadrine     | Norflex™            |
| Oxybutynin       | Ditropan™           |
| Paroxetine       | Paxil™              |
| Perphenazine     | Trilafon™           |
| Promethazine     | Phenergan™          |
| Propranolol      | Pro-Banithine™      |
| Propiverone      | Detrol™             |
| Quetiapine       | Seroquel™           |
| Scopolamine      | Transderm Scop™     |
| Solifenacin      | Vesicare™           |
| Thioridazine     | Mellaril™           |
| Tolterodine      | Detrol™             |
| Trifluoperazine  | Stelazine™          |
| Trihexyphenidyl  | Artane™             |
| Trimipramine     | Surmontil™          |
| Trospium         | Sanctura™           |

Categorical Scoring:

- Possible anticholinergics include those listed with a score of 1; Definite anticholinergics include those listed with a score of 2 or 3
- Numerical Scoring:
  - Add the score contributed to each selected medication in each scoring category
  - Add the number of possible or definite Anticholinergic medications

Notes:

- Each definite anticholinergic may increase the risk of cognitive impairment by 46% over 6 years.<sup>3</sup>
- For each on point increase in the ACB total score, a decline in MMSE score of 0.33 points over 2 years has been suggested.<sup>4</sup>
- Additionally, each one point increase in the ACB total score has been correlated with a 26% increase in the risk of death.<sup>4</sup>

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Medications Reviewed in 2012 Update

| Medications Added with Score of 1: |
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| Aripiprazole (Ablify™)             |
| Asenapine (Saphris™)               |
| Cetirizine (Zyrtec™)               |
| Citalinam (Librax™)                |
| Desloratadine (Clarinet™)          |
| Iloperidone (Fenapt™)              |
| Levocetirizine (Xyzal™)            |
| Loratadine (Claritin™)             |
| Paliperidone (Invega™)             |
| Venlafaxine (Effexor™)             |

| Medications Added with Score of 2: |
|------------------------------------|
| Neotopam (Neofogic™)               |

| Medications Added with Score of 3: |
|------------------------------------|
| Doxylamine (Unisom™, others)       |
| Fesoterodine (Toviaz™)             |
| Propiverine (Detrunorm™)           |
| Solifenacin (Vesicare™)            |
| Trospium (Sanctura™)               |

| Medications Reviewed But NOT Added: |
|-------------------------------------|
| Fexofenadine (Allegra™)             |
| Gabapentin (Neurontin™)             |
| Topiramate (Topamax™)               |
| Levetiracetam (Keppra™)             |
| Tamoxifen (Nolvadex™)               |
| Nizatidine (Axiid™)                 |
| Duloxetine (Cymbalta™)              |

Criteria for Categorization:

Score of 1: Evidence from in vitro data that chemical entity has antagonist activity at muscarinic receptor.

Score of 2: Evidence from literature, prescriber's information, or expert opinion of clinical anticholinergic effect.

Score of 3: Evidence from literature, expert opinion, or prescribers information that medication may cause delirium.

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## Anticholinergic Burden Scale script with instructions for research assistant and/or participant permission to use instrument from author

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## IRB APPROVAL



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TO: Patricia Slattum  
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RE: Patricia Slattum ; IRB [HM20006652](#) Predicting cognitive frailty: a population modeling study

On 2/3/2016 the referenced research study **qualified for exemption** according to 45 CFR 46.101(b), category 4.

The information found in the electronic version of this study's smart form and uploaded documents now represents the currently approved study, documents, and HIPAA pathway (if applicable). You may access this information by clicking the Study Number above.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Research Subjects Protection (ORSP) or the IRB reviewer(s) assigned to this study.

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### **Attachment – Conditions of Exempt Approval**

#### ***Conditions of Exempt Approval:***

In order to comply with federal regulations, industry standards, and the terms of this approval, the investigator must (as applicable):

1. Conduct the research as described in and required by the Protocol.
2. Provide non-English speaking patients with a translation of the approved Consent Form in the research participant's first language. The Panel must approve the translation.
3. The following changes to the protocol **must be** submitted to the IRB panel for review and approval before the changes are instituted. Changes that do not meet these criteria do not have to be submitted to the IRB. If there is a question about whether a change must be sent to the IRB please call the ORSP for clarification.

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