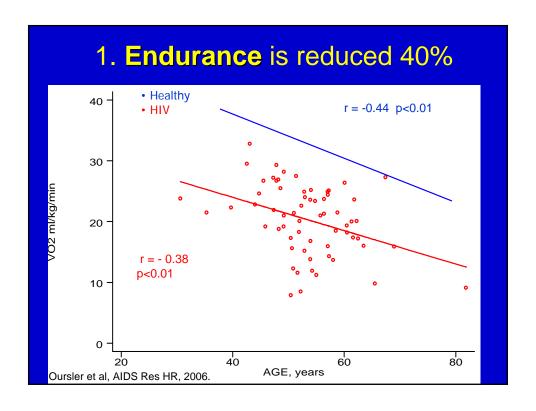
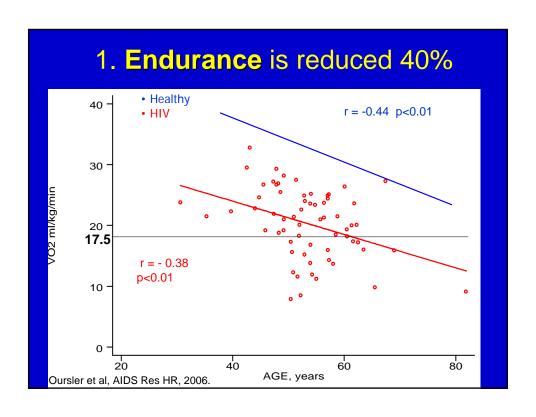
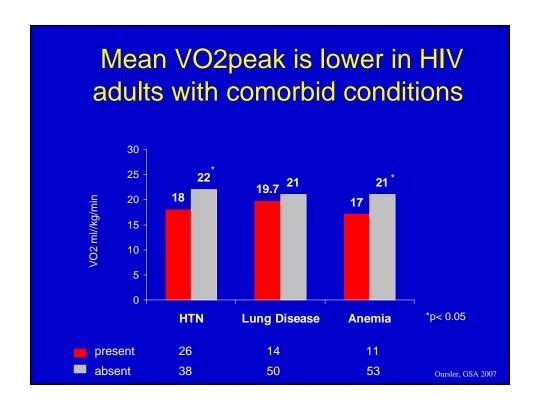
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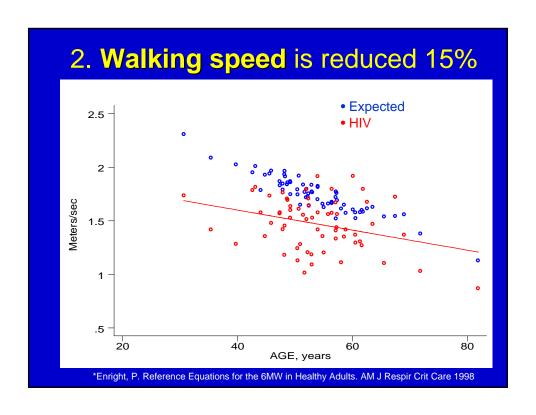
- Clinical characteristics of frailty:
  - 1. Poor endurance
  - 2. Slowed walking speed
  - 3. Low physical activity
  - 4. Weakness
  - 5. Weight loss and sarcopenia
- Opportunities for intervention
- Points for discussion

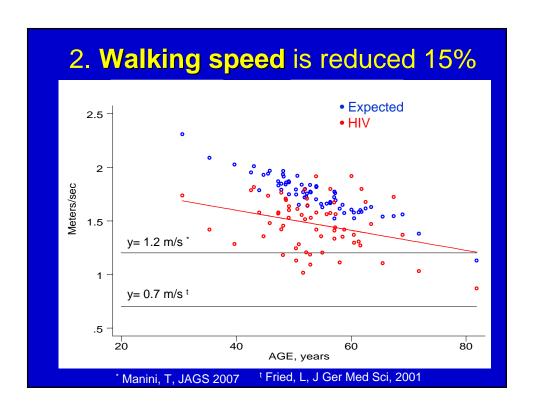
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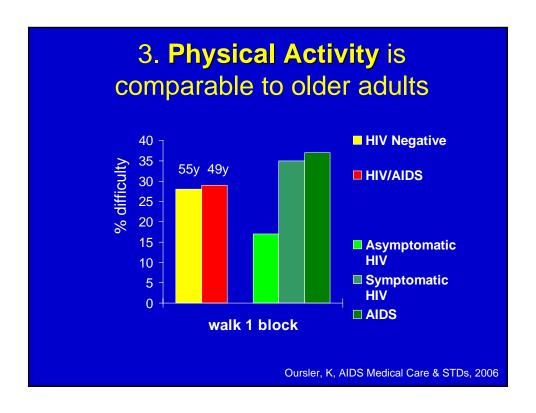












# 4. Weakness: strength is reduced 10%

- Grip strength in middle-age HIV men is 10% lower than expected for healthy men, adjusted for age
  - -41.3 kg (HIV) vs. 46.2 kg (Healthy)

Oursler et al, AIDS Res HR, 2006.

- Not meet criterion used for men 65+ yrs
  - values for lowest 20% in CHS
  - 29- 32 kg, based on BMI

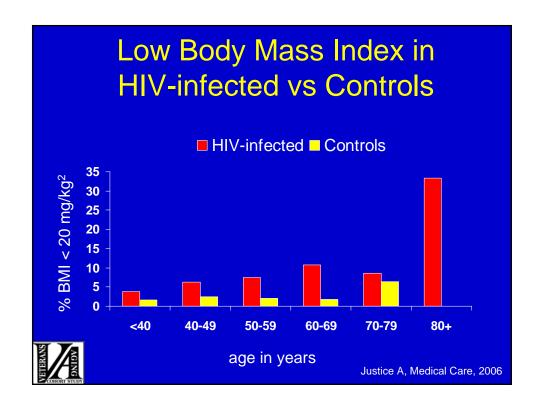
Fried, Tangen, Walston, et al, J Ger Med Sci, 2001

# 5. Weight Loss and Sarcopenia are still common problems

Nutrition Healthy Living Cohort (n=466)

- 90% on HAART regimen at some time
- During Follow up:
  - -18% lost >10% body weight
  - -8% dropped to BMI <20 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Fat-free mass represented 1/3 of body mass loss

Wanke CA, CID, 2000



# Self-reported Measures of Frailty in MACS 1994-1996

HIV-infected (n=245) vs. HIV-negative men (n=1905)

	Weight Loss	Exhaustion	Slowness	Low Activity	Frailty  >_3 factors
Adjusted Model*	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
All subjects	12.8	3.0	3.9	3.4	10.9
Exclude w/ weight loss	-	2.2	2.8	2.5	4.5

<sup>\*</sup> age, ethnicity, education

Desquilbert, Jacobson, Fried, et al, in press, J Gerontology Med Sci

#### **Exercise Interventions in HIV**

- Resistive exercise training
  - Improves strength 44%
  - Increases lean body mass 2.3%
  - Both independently associated with function

Roubenoff R, Med Sci Sports Exercise, 2001

- Aerobic exercise training improves endurance
  - VO2 32 ml/kg/min → 40 ml/kg/min

Terry, L Med Sci Sports Exerc 2006

## **Summary**

- Clinical frailty syndrome
  - Variability in measures, definitions, and cut-points
  - Limited data in HIV-infected adults with mean age 20-30 years lower than traditional frailty studies
- Middle-age HIV-infected adults on HAART:
  - Endurance is comparable to sedentary 70+ year olds
  - Reduced strength and muscle mass
- Evidence for accelerated aging
  - Self-report measures with controls in MACS and VACS
  - Objective measures in small cross-sectional studies

#### **Discussion Points**

- Identify frail HIV-infected adults
  - Clinical characteristics
  - Predictors of disability and death besides comorbidity and HIV
- Approach to develop effective interventions
- Investigating mechanisms
  - Inflammatory mediators
  - Mitochondrial DNA and oxidative function