Lifestyle interventions

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'To prevent a heart attack, take one aspirin every day Take it out for a jog, then take it to the gym, then take it for a bike ride...."

Lifestyle over the life course

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Healthy lifestyle ... Who? And why?





Figuur 1. De leeftijdsverdeling van de bevolking, Nederland, 1900-2018 en prognose 2019-2060

https://www.nidi.nl/nl/demos/2018/06/02

What can be gained?

Levensverwachting

Mensen die gezond leven worden gemiddeld pas ziek als rokers met overgewicht en hoge bloeddruk al op het punt van overlijden staan.

Jaren zonder levensbedreigende ziekte

Jaren met levensbedreigende ziekte



* smoking, high blood pressure and overweight/obesity

Societal approach





LifeLines a prospective 3-generation cohort study and biobank on the causes of multimorbidity and chronic diseases in the general population

www.lifelines.net

How does diet relate to weight gain over the lifecourse?

• How to measure diet quality?

Shift in focus from nutriënt to food product level Stronger relation food products with chronic disease risk

How to measure diet quality?

• Food-based 2015 Dutch Dietary Guidelines

European Journal of Clinical Nutrition, Kromhout et al. 2016

LifeLines Diet Score (LLDS)

- 1. quintiles POSITIVE or NEGATIVE food groups (g/1000 kcal)
- 2. Negative groups scored inversely
- 3. Total score = sum of scores (0-4) of the food groups, ranging from 0 to 44
- 4. Relative consumption of food groups that are associated with chronic disease risk

Diet quality over the life course

Methods

- Subject-specific Linear Mixed Model analyses (N=85.618)
- Investigate, in **gender-stratified** models, effect of:
 - Does time influence body weight? (Time)
 - 1. Is this influenced by diet quality? (Diet quality **x** Time)
 - 2. Does this influence of diet quality depend on age? (Age category **x** Diet quality **x** Time)
- Adjust intercept and slope for:
 - education level, smoking status, total leisure and commuting time MVPA, energy intake, alcohol intake, baseline BMI

Weight change over age categories

Petra Vinke et al. Accepted Journal of Nutrition 2019

Strength of inverse association diet quality and weight change reverses over age

Age category **x** Diet quality **x** Time: p=0.001

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Diet and health over the life course

Methodological and statistical challenges

- Questionnaire data processing (FFQ), from 110 items to 1 evidence-based score
- 1 scoring system for all ages?
- How to estimate error for the estimates based on multiple estimates including interaction?
- Combine GLM with multiple imputation?

How does physical activity relate to health over the lifecourse?

• How to measure physical activity?

SQUASH questionnaire – adapted data processing

Physical activity and weight gain over the life course

 PA related to weight gain in young men < under embargo>

Physical activity and weight gain over the life course

... and in young and middle aged women
< under embargo>

Physical activity and fatty liver over the life course

Stronger association with older age

Byambasukh et al. A. J. Gastroenterol. 2019

Physical activity and health over the life course

Oyuntugs Byambasukh, thesis discussion 2019/2020

Physical activity and health over the life course

Methodological and statistical challenges

- Questionnaire data processing (SQUASH)
- Can we analyze the potential cumulative benefit of physical activity (multi-outcome)?

Lifestyle and health over the life course wishlist

- Investigate multiple predictors (exposome)
- Quantify multi-organ targeting (cumulative benefit)
- Combine statistical methods (GLM, imputation techniques, PCA, other kinds of trend modelling)
- Data processing and harmonisation over ages and between cohorts

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