

Appendix 1. Search terms

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations and Ovid MEDLINE(R) <1950 to Present>

Search Strategy:

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- 1 exp Dietary Proteins/ (71799)
 - 2 Proteins/me [Metabolism] (61274)
 - 3 Nitrogen/me [Metabolism] (19039)
 - 4 amino acids/ or exp amino acids, essential/ (266907)
 - 5 exp Diet, Protein-Restricted/ or exp Diet, Vegetarian/ (3849)
 - 6 exp Fish Proteins/ (7102)
 - 7 exp Plant Proteins/ (112865)
 - 8 ((egg* or yolk* or milk or animal* or diet*) adj3 protein*).tw. (30205)
 - 9 (amino adj2 acid* adj4 (essential* or nonessential* or non essential* or dispensable* or nondispensable* or non dispensable*).tw. (6328)
 - 10 (diet* adj3 (low protein* or protein restricted or protein free or high protein)).tw. (5813)
 - 11 ((Soy or soy bean* or soybean* or plant or vegetable* or fish) adj3 protein*).tw. (10738)
 - 12 ((vegan* or vegetarian*) and protein*).tw. (444)
 - 13 ((diet* or balance*) adj3 nitrogen*).tw. (4906)
 - 14 or/1-13 (528777)
 - 15 (intake* or timing* or frequen* or requirement* or utilization*).tw. (1384587)
 - 16 nutritional requirements/ (15722)
 - 17 15 or 16 (1392935)
 - 18 14 and 17 (48263)
 - 19 exp Lipids/bl [Blood] (164517)
 - 20 exp Lipoproteins/ (107523)
 - 21 exp Hyperlipidemias/ (50696)
 - 22 cholesterol, hdl/ or cholesterol, ldl/ (27190)
 - 23 exp Triglycerides/ (55871)

- 24 ((serum or blood) adj2 lipid*).tw. (21078)
- 25 lipoprotein*.tw. (95533)
- 26 hyperlipidemia*.tw. (12571)
- 27 (cholesterol adj2 (hdl or ldl)).tw. (35090)
- 28 triglyceride*.tw. (63777)
- 29 or/19-27 (281777)
- 30 exp Glucose/ (215099)
- 31 exp Hyperglycemia/ (20648)
- 32 (glucose or dextrose).tw. (280143)
- 33 (d glucose or l glucose).tw. (16987)
- 34 (fasting adj3 glucose).tw. (18392)
- 35 (hyperglycemia or hyperglucemia or hyperglycemic or (hyper adj glyce*)).tw. (25219)
- 36 (blood adj2 (sugar or glucose)).tw. (43161)
- 37 (glucose adj2 intoleranc*).tw. (5750)
- 38 or/30-37 (370848)
- 39 Insulin/ (142600)
- 40 exp Insulin Resistance/ (38231)
- 41 exp Hyperinsulinism/ (43180)
- 42 (humulin or iletin or insulin or novolin or velosulin).tw. (226819)
- 43 (hyperinsulin* or insulinem*).tw. (18338)
- 44 (insulin adj2 (sensitiv* or resistanc* or hypersensitiv*)).tw. (46353)
- 45 or/39-44 (270838)
- 46 exp Blood Pressure/ (226330)
- 47 exp hypertension/ (188397)
- 48 exp hypotension/ (21099)
- 49 ((blood or diastolic* or pulse or systolic*) adj2 pressur*).tw. (211754)
- 50 (hypertension* or hypotension*).tw. (263275)
- 51 or/46-49 (453970)
- 52 exp Body Composition/ (28527)
- 53 exp body mass index/ (56123)

- 54 exp Abdominal Fat/ (2418)
- 55 Waist-hip ratio/ (2052)
- 56 exp Adipose Tissue/ (59986)
- 57 (body adj2 composition*).tw. (16839)
- 58 (body adj2 fat* adj3 (distribution* or pattern*)).tw. (2312)
- 59 (body adj2 mass adj3 index).tw. (68249)
- 60 bmi.tw. (46648)
- 61 ((fat free or lean) adj3 body mass).tw. (5098)
- 62 (waist adj2 hip).tw. (6197)
- 63 adiposity.tw. (9077)
- 64 ((visceral or abdominal or body or pad) adj2 fat*).tw. (28631)
- 65 or/52-64 (192342)
- 66 exp "Bone and Bones"/ (429468)
- 67 Bone Density/ (33081)
- 68 exp Fractures, Bone/ (124402)
- 69 exp Osteoporosis/ (38044)
- 70 (bone or bones).tw. (430056)
- 71 (osteoporos* or bone loss*).tw. (47186)
- 72 or/66-71 (802479)
- 73 exp Pregnancy Outcome/ (32312)
- 74 exp Parturition/ (5980)
- 75 Abortion, Spontaneous/ (12901)
- 76 exp Infant, Newborn/ (447494)
- 77 "growth and development"/ or exp aging/ or exp growth/ (673749)
- 78 exp Muscular Atrophy/ (7784)
- 79 (birth* or childbirth* or stillbirth* or (pregnancy adj2 outcome*)).tw. (212641)
- 80 parturition*.tw. (10663)
- 81 (abortion* or miscarriage*).tw. (47509)
- 82 ((Infant* adj2 newborn) or neonate*).tw. (74510)
- 83 (Body adj2 (size or height* or weight*)).tw. (142288)

- 84 (cell* adj2 (growth or enlargement* or proliferation*)).tw. (182400)
- 85 (organ adj2 (size* or weight* or volume*)).tw. (4629)
- 86 (development* adj2 (human* or child* or infant* or adolescent*)).tw. (26608)
- 87 (aging or ageing or longevity).tw. (117701)
- 88 ((muscular adj2 atrop*) or sarcopenia).tw. (5675)
- 89 or/73-88 (1537884)
- 90 exp Body Weight/ (291817)
- 91 ((birth or body or fetal or gain or los* or reduc* or decreas* or chang*) adj2 weight*).tw. (232690)
- 92 (obesit* or obese or leanness or thinness or underweight or under weight or overweight or over weight).tw. (134236)
- 93 (emaciation* or cachexia).tw. (5111)
- 94 or/90-93 (473911)
- 95 Cardiovascular Diseases/ (77121)
- 96 exp heart diseases/ (772950)
- 97 exp vascular diseases/ (1159229)
- 98 (cardio* or cardia* or heart* or vascular* or ischem* or ischeam* or coronary* or myocardial* or angina* or cvd or chd or arrythmi* or atrial* or endocardi* or fibrillate*).tw. (1595528)
- 99 (vascular* or thromboembolism* or thrombosis*).tw. (451761)
- 100 or/95-99 (2391038)
- 101 exp neoplasms/ (2199022)
- 102 (cancer* or tumor* or carcinoma* or neoplasm*).tw. (1573780)
- 103 or/101-102 (2505578)
- 104 exp Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2/ (63869)
- 105 exp Insulin Resistance/ (38231)
- 106 ((typ* 2 or typ* ii) adj diabet*).tw. (51164)
- 107 impaired glucose toleranc*.tw. (6845)
- 108 glucose intoleranc*.tw. (5714)
- 109 insulin resistanc*.tw. (36244)
- 110 (MODY or NIDDM or T2DM or DM 2).tw. (10504)
- 111 ((non insulin* or noninsulin*) adj2 depend*).tw. (11937)
- 112 (non insulin?depend* or noninsulin?depend*).tw. (18)

113 ((keto resist* or non keto* or nonketo*) adj2 diabet*).tw. (346)

114 ((adult* or matur* or late or slow or stabl*) adj2 diabet*).tw. (5486)

115 (insulin defic* adj2 relativ*).tw. (126)

116 plur?metabolic* syndrome*.tw. (32)

117 or/104-115 (128394)

118 exp diabetes insipidus/ (6512)

119 diabet* insipidus.tw. (6199)

120 or/118-119 (8185)

121 117 not 120 (128330)

122 Interleukin-6/ (35767)

123 exp receptors, interleukin-6/ (2773)

124 c-reactive protein/ (22323)

125 tumor necrosis factor-alpha/ (79154)

126 Cytokines/ (79501)

127 exp lymphocytes/ (390817)

128 (interleukin 6 or IL 6 or IL6).tw. (58213)

129 (interleukin* adj2 (b or hp1)).tw. (227)

130 ((plasmacytoma or hybridoma) adj2 growth factor*).tw. (97)

131 (b cell adj2 (differentiat* or stimulat*).tw. (4462)

132 (hepatocyte adj2 stimulat*).tw. (485)

133 ((beta2 or beta 2) adj2 interferon*).tw. (133)

134 (hepatocyte adj2 stimulat*).tw. (485)

135 (b adj lymphocyte*).tw. (25416)

136 (BSF?2 or IFN?beta?2 or MGI?2).tw. (56)

137 (BSF 2 or IFN beta 2 or MGI 2).tw. (242)

138 (myeloid adj3 protein).tw. (449)

139 ((26k or 26 k) adj2 protein*).tw. (36)

140 (((il6 or il 6) adj soluble*) or (sil6r or sil 6 r or il6r or il 6 r or interleukin 6 receptor)) adj4 protein*).tw. (56)

141 (hsCRP or CRP).tw. (20078)

142 cd126.tw. (51)

- 143 (high sensitiv* adj3 c reactive protein*).tw. (3292)
- 144 cachectin*.tw. (447)
- 145 (Tnfalpa or tnf alpha*).tw. (70756)
- 146 tumor necrosis*.tw. (69922)
- 147 Tnf superfamily*.tw. (493)
- 148 (lymphocyte* or ((lymphoid* or killer) adj2 cell*)).tw. (282046)
- 149 or/122-148 (675867)
- 150 exp Kidney Diseases/ (358584)
- 151 exp Renal Circulation/ (11422)
- 152 (((kidney* or renal*) adj2 (calculi or calculus or stone*)) or nephrolithiasis).tw. (9918)
- 153 ((kidney* or renal*) adj2 (disease* or function*)).tw. (114942)
- 154 (renal adj3 (flow* or circulat*)).tw. (13708)
- 155 or/150-154 (418863)
- 156 exp Muscle Strength/ (10755)
- 157 Muscle Fatigue/ (4587)
- 158 exp Physical Endurance/ (19718)
- 159 exp Exercise/ (54191)
- 160 Physical fitness/ (18227)
- 161 exp Motor Activity/ (93817)
- 162 ((muscle or muscular) adj2 (strength* or fatigue* or weak*)).tw. (22245)
- 163 (physical* adj2 (fitness or exercise* or active or activity or endur*)).tw. (50835)
- 164 ((train* or exercise*) adj2 endur*).tw. (6383)
- 165 or/156-164 (218608)
- 166 Mortality/ (30837)
- 167 mortal*.tw. (358222)
- 168 ((fatalit* or death*) adj2 rate*).tw. (21676)
- 169 (excess adj2 mortalit*).tw. (3980)
- 170 or/166-169 (382939)
- 171 exp Lactation/ (29877)
- 172 Milk, human/ (13700)

- 173 breast feeding/ (22118)
- 174 lactation*.tw. (23492)
- 175 (milk adj2 (human* or breast*)).tw. (13617)
- 176 (breast feed* or breastfeed*).tw. (19668)
- 177 or/171-176 (74168)
- 178 18 and 29 (2069)
- 179 18 and 38 (4390)
- 180 18 and 45 (2751)
- 181 18 and 51 (1153)
- 182 18 and 65 (3577)
- 183 18 and 72 (1449)
- 184 18 and 89 (12410)
- 185 18 and 94 (9635)
- 186 18 and 100 (3007)
- 187 18 and 103 (3541)
- 188 18 and 121 (863)
- 189 18 and 149 (2860)
- 190 18 and 155 (2096)
- 191 18 and 165 (1243)
- 192 18 and 170 (901)
- 193 18 and 177 (2680)
- 194 or/178-193 (26444)
- 195 limit 194 to (humans and yr="2000 -Current") (6022)
- 196 limit 195 to English language (5632)
- 197 limit 196 to "reviews (sensitivity)" (3153)

Appendix 2. Excluded full text papers

| Article | Reason for exclusion |
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| (2000) "Position of the American Dietetic Association, Dietitians of Canada, and the American College of Sports Medicine: Nutrition and athletic performance." <u>Journal of the American Dietetic Association</u> 100(12):1543 | Position paper |
| (2002). "Protein and amino acid requirements in human nutrition." <u>World Health Organization Technical Report Series</u> (935): 1-265. | Report |
| Afolabi, P. R., et al. (2004). "Response of hepatic proteins to the lowering of habitual dietary protein to the recommended safe level of intake." <u>American Journal of Physiology - Endocrinology and Metabolism</u> 287(2): E327-E330. | Not included endpoints |
| Agus, M. S., et al. (2000). "Dietary composition and physiologic adaptations to energy restriction." <u>American Journal of Clinical Nutrition</u> 71(4): 901-907. | Short term. Energy restriction |
| Aldrich, N. D., M. M. Reicks, <i>et al.</i> (2011). "Varying protein source and quantity do not significantly improve weight loss, fat loss, or satiety in reduced energy diets among midlife adults." <u>Nutrition Research</u> 31(2): 104-112 | Diet during weight loss in overweight/obese |
| Alemany, J. A., et al. (2008). "Effects of dietary protein content on IGF-I, testosterone, and body composition during 8 days of severe energy deficit and arduous physical activity." <u>Journal of Applied Physiology</u> 105(1): 58-64. | Short-term. 8 days with energy deficit. Military |
| Alfenas, R. C., et al. (2010). "Effects of protein quality on appetite and energy metabolism in normal weight subjects." <u>Arquivos Brasileiros de Endocrinologia e Metabologia</u> 54(1): 45-51. | Short duration. Each intervention was 7 days. |
| Allen, J. K., et al. (2007). "Effect of soy protein-containing isoflavones on lipoproteins in postmenopausal women." <u>Menopause</u> 14(1): 106-114. | Included in the meta-analysis by Harland & Haffner, 2008 |
| Allen, N. E., et al. (2008). "Animal foods, protein, calcium and prostate cancer risk: the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition." <u>British Journal of Cancer</u> 98(9): 1574-1581. | Foods (dairy protein) |
| American Dietetic, A., et al. (2003). "Position of the American Dietetic Association and Dietitians of Canada: vegetarian diets." <u>Canadian Journal of Dietetic Practice and Research</u> 64(2): 62-81. | Review |

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| Amsellem-Ouazana, D., et al. (2004). "Diet and prostate cancer: from prevention to treatment." <u>Progres en Urologie</u> 14(4): 573-576. | Review |
| Anderson, G. H., et al. (2004). "Dietary proteins in the regulation of food intake and body weight in humans." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 134(4): 974S-979S. | Review |
| Anderson, G. H., et al. (2004). "Protein source, quantity, and time of consumption determine the effect of proteins on short-term food intake in young men." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 134(11): 3011-3015. | Short term |
| Anderson, R. A. (2002). "A complementary approach to urolithiasis prevention." <u>World Journal of Urology</u> 20(5): 294-301. | Review |
| Aparicio, M. (2009). "Protein intake and chronic kidney disease: literature review, 2003 to 2008." <u>Journal of Renal Nutrition</u> 19(5:Suppl): Suppl-8. | Review |
| Appel, L. J. (2003). "The effects of protein intake on blood pressure and cardiovascular disease." <u>Current Opinion in Lipidology</u> 14(1): 55-59. | Review |
| Appel, L. J., et al. (2009). "ASH Position Paper: Dietary approaches to lower blood pressure." <u>Journal of Clinical Hypertension</u> 11(7): 358-368. | Review |
| Appleby, P., et al. (2007). "Comparative fracture risk in vegetarians and nonvegetarians in EPIC-Oxford." <u>European Journal of Clinical Nutrition</u> 61(12): 1400-1406. | Not protein. Vegetarians vs non-vegetarians. Ca ²⁺ intake |
| Arnal, M. A., et al. (2000). "Protein feeding pattern does not affect protein retention in young women." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 130(7): 1700-1704. | Short term |
| Arnal, M. A., et al. (2000). "Protein turnover modifications induced by the protein feeding pattern still persist after the end of the diets." <u>American Journal of Physiology - Endocrinology and Metabolism</u> 278(5): E902-E909. | Short term |
| Ashton, E., et al. (2000). "Effects of soy as tofu vs meat on lipoprotein concentrations." <u>European Journal of Clinical Nutrition</u> 54(1): 14-19. | Meat vs. tofu. Not protein |
| Aubertin-Leheudre, M., et al. (2009). "Relationship between animal protein intake and muscle mass index in healthy women." <u>British Journal of Nutrition</u> 102(12): 1803-1810. | Cross-sectional |

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| <p>Baer, D. J., K. S. Stote, <i>et al.</i> (2011). "Whey protein but not soy protein supplementation alters body weight and composition in free-living overweight and obese adults." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 141(8): 1489-1494</p> | <p>Overweight/obese subjects</p> |
| <p>Ball, R. O., <i>et al.</i> (2006). "The in vivo sparing of methionine by cysteine in sulfur amino acid requirements in animal models and adult humans." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 136(6:Suppl): Suppl-1693S.</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Ballard, T.L., <i>et al.</i> (2005) "Effect of protein supplementation during a 6-mo strength and conditioning program on insulin-like growth factor I and markers of bone turnover in young adults." <u>American Journal of Clinical Nutrition</u> 81(6):1442-8.</p> | <p>Supplement containing various components.</p> |
| <p>Ballard, T.L., <i>et al.</i> (2006) "Effect of protein supplementation during a 6-month strength and conditioning program on areal and volumetric bone parameters." <u>Bone</u> 38(6):898-904.</p> | <p>Supplement containing various components</p> |
| <p>Basu, A., <i>et al.</i> (2006). "Dietary factors that promote or retard inflammation." <u>Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology</u> 26(5): 995-1001.</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Beasley, J. M., A. K. Aragaki, <i>et al.</i> (2011). "Higher biomarker-calibrated protein intake is not associated with impaired renal function in postmenopausal women." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 141(8): 1502-1507</p> | <p>Cross-sectional</p> |
| <p>Beasley, J. M., <i>et al.</i> (2009). "Associations between macronutrient intake and self-reported appetite and fasting levels of appetite hormones: results from the Optimal Macronutrient Intake Trial to Prevent Heart Disease." <u>American Journal of Epidemiology</u> 169(7): 893-900.</p> | <p>OMNI-Heart. Prehypertension or stage 1 hypertension and only 40 % Caucasians. No subgroup analyses</p> |
| <p>Beelen, M., L. M. Burke, <i>et al.</i> (2010). "Nutritional strategies to promote postexercise recovery. [Review]." <u>International Journal of Sport Nutrition & Exercise Metabolism</u> 20(6): 515-532</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Benito-Garcia, E., <i>et al.</i> (2007). "Protein, iron, and meat consumption and risk for rheumatoid arthritis: a prospective cohort study." <u>Arthritis Research and Therapy</u> 9(1): R16.</p> | <p>Rheumatoid arthritis not included as an endpoint</p> |
| <p>Bernstein, A. M., <i>et al.</i> (2010). "Major dietary protein sources and risk of coronary heart disease in women." <u>Circulation</u> 122(9): 876-883.</p> | <p>Food based, not protein</p> |

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| <p>Betts, J. A. and C. Williams (2010). "Short-term recovery from prolonged exercise: exploring the potential for protein ingestion to accentuate the benefits of carbohydrate supplements. [Review]." <u>Sports Medicine</u> 40(11): 941-959</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Bilsborough, S., et al. (2006). "A review of issues of dietary protein intake in humans." <u>International Journal of Sport Nutrition and Exercise Metabolism</u> 16(2): 129-152.</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Bingham, S. A. (2000). "Diet and colorectal cancer prevention." <u>Biochemical Society Transactions</u> 28(2): 12-16.</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Blatt, A. D., L. S. Roe, <i>et al.</i> (2011). "Increasing the protein content of meals and its effect on daily energy intake." <u>Journal of the American Dietetic Association</u> 111(2): 290-294</p> | <p>Short term</p> |
| <p>Blazejewski, S., et al. (2009). "The chronic oral administration of arginine aspartate decreases secretion of IGF-1 and IGFBP-3 in healthy volunteers." <u>Fundamental and Clinical Pharmacology</u> 23(3): 339-344.</p> | <p>Arginine aspartate, not protein</p> |
| <p>Blom, W. A., et al. (2006). "Effect of a high-protein breakfast on the postprandial ghrelin response." <u>American Journal of Clinical Nutrition</u> 83(2): 211-220.</p> | <p>Acute study</p> |
| <p>Bloomer, R. J., et al. (2010). "Effect of a 21 day Daniel Fast on metabolic and cardiovascular disease risk factors in men and women." <u>Lipids in Health and Disease</u> 9: 94.</p> | <p>Vegetarian diet. Only 21 days. No control group. Heterogenic subject group</p> |
| <p>Bode-Boger, S. M., et al. (2007). "The L-arginine paradox: Importance of the L-arginine/asymmetrical dimethylarginine ratio." <u>Pharmacology and Therapeutics</u> 114(3): 295-306.</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Boelsma, E., et al. (2009). "Lactotripeptides and antihypertensive effects: a critical review." <u>British Journal of Nutrition</u> 101(6): 776-786.</p> | <p>Review</p> |
| <p>Bohe, J., et al. (2001). "Latency and duration of stimulation of human muscle protein synthesis during continuous infusion of amino acids." <u>Journal of Physiology</u> 532(Pt:2): 2-9.</p> | <p>Acute study</p> |

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| Bolster, D.R., et al. (2005) "Dietary protein intake impacts human skeletal muscle protein fractional synthetic rates after endurance exercise." <u>American Journal of Physiology - Endocrinology and Metabolism</u> 289(4):E678-83. | Athletes. |
| Bonjour, J. P. (2005). "Dietary protein: an essential nutrient for bone health." <u>Journal of the American College of Nutrition</u> 24(6:Suppl): Suppl-36S. | Review |
| Bonjour, J. P., et al. (2001). "Protein intake and bone growth." <u>Canadian Journal of Applied Physiology</u> 26: 153-166. | Review |
| Bortolotti, M., et al. (2009). "High protein intake reduces intrahepatocellular lipid deposition in humans." <u>American Journal of Clinical Nutrition</u> 90(4): 1002-1010. | Short term |
| Borzoei, S., et al. (2006). "A comparison of effects of fish and beef protein on satiety in normal weight men." <u>European Journal of Clinical Nutrition</u> 60(7): 897-902. | Acute study |
| Bos, C., et al. (2002). "Isotopic studies of protein and amino acid requirements." <u>Current Opinion in Clinical Nutrition and Metabolic Care</u> 5(1): 55-61. | Review |
| Bourre, J. M. (2004). "The role of nutritional factors on the structure and function of the brain: an update on dietary requirements." <u>Revue Neurologique</u> 160(8-9): 767-792. | Review |
| Bourre, J. M. (2006). "Effects of nutrients (in food) on the structure and function of the nervous system: update on dietary requirements for brain. Part 2 : macronutrients." <u>Journal of Nutrition, Health and Aging</u> 10(5): 386-399. | Review |
| Bowen, J., et al. (2006). "Appetite regulatory hormone responses to various dietary proteins differ by body mass index status despite similar reductions in ad libitum energy intake." <u>Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism</u> 91(8): 2913-2919. | Acute study |
| Bowtell, J. L., et al. (2000). "Effect of oral glucose on leucine turnover in human subjects at rest and during exercise at two levels of dietary protein." <u>Journal of Physiology</u> 525: t-81. | Short term |

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| Bray, G. A., S. R. Smith, <i>et al.</i> (2012). "Effect of dietary protein content on weight gain, energy expenditure, and body composition during overeating: a randomized controlled trial." <u>JAMA</u> 307(1): 47-55 | Only 28% Caucasians |
| Bronte, V., et al. (2005). "Regulation of immune responses by L-arginine metabolism." <u>Nature Reviews</u> 5(8): 641-654. | Review |
| Burd, N.A., et al. (2009) "Exercise training and protein metabolism: influences of contraction, protein intake, and sex-based differences." <u>Journal of Applied Physiology</u> 106(5):1692-701. | Review |
| Burk, A., et al. (2009) "Time-divided ingestion pattern of casein-based protein supplement stimulates an increase in fat-free body mass during resistance training in young untrained men." <u>Nutrition Research</u> 29(6):405-13. | Supplement containing various components |
| Burke, V., et al. (2001). "Dietary protein and soluble fiber reduce ambulatory blood pressure in treated hypertensives." <u>Hypertension</u> 38(4): 821-826. | Hypertensives |
| Calbet, J. A., et al. (2002). "Plasma glucagon and insulin responses depend on the rate of appearance of amino acids after ingestion of different protein solutions in humans." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 132(8): 2174-2182. | Short term |
| Campbell, W. W. and M. Tang (2010). "Protein intake, weight loss, and bone mineral density in postmenopausal women." <u>Journals of Gerontology Series A Biological Sciences & Medical Sciences</u> 65(10): 1115-1122 | During weight loss |
| Campbell, W. W., et al. (2004). "Short-term low-protein intake does not increase serum parathyroid hormone concentration in humans." <u>Journal of Nutrition</u> 134(8): 1900-1904. | Short term and PTH |
| Campbell, W. W., et al. (2010). "Protein intake, weight loss, and bone mineral density in postmenopausal women." <u>Journals of Gerontology Series A-Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences</u> 65(10): 1115-1122. | Weight loss in overweight |
| Cao, J. J. and F. H. Nielsen (2010). "Acid diet (high-meat protein) effects on calcium metabolism and bone health. [Review]." <u>Current Opinion in Clinical Nutrition & Metabolic Care</u> 13(6): 698-702 | Review |

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| Carey, V. J., et al. (2005). "Rationale and design of the Optimal Macro-Nutrient Intake Heart Trial to Prevent Heart Disease (OMNI-Heart)." <u>Clinical Trials</u> 2(6): 529-537. | Description of OMNI-Heart design |
| Carruba, G., et al. (2006). "A traditional Mediterranean diet decreases endogenous estrogens in healthy postmenopausal women." <u>Nutrition and Cancer</u> 56(2): 253-259. | Dietary pattern (Mediterranean diet), not protein |
| Caudarella, R., et al. (2004). "Osteoporosis and urolithiasis." <u>Urologia Internationalis</u> 72: 17-19. | Review |
| Chang, E. T., et al. (2008). "Dietary patterns and risk of ovarian cancer in the California Teachers Study cohort." <u>Nutrition and Cancer</u> 60(3): 285-291. | Dietary patterns |
| Choi, H. K., et al. (2004). "Purine-rich foods, dairy and protein intake, and the risk of gout in men." <u>New England Journal of Medicine</u> 350(11): 1093-1103. | Gout not included as an outcome |
| Clifton, P. M., et al. (2007). "Metabolic effects of high-protein diets." <u>Current Atherosclerosis Reports</u> 9(6): 472-478. | Review |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 1. Evidence table, N-balance studies

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Results | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Rand et al., 2003 (3) | Meta-analysis | 19 balance studies of healthy persons | N-balance | | Controlled nitrogen (protein) intake. Measured urine and faeces, correction for dermal and miscellaneous losses. At least 3 test protein intakes, given for 10-14 days, urinary and faecal excretion data for, the last 5 days, eucaloric diet studies and a adaption period \approx 5 days | N=235 | | The median estimated protein requirement of good quality protein: 0.65 g/kg BW/d and the estimated RDA: 0.83 g/kg BW/d No differences for adult age groups, sex or protein source | B Not sufficient power to detect possible differences between e.g. sex and age groups. Only one study with elderly available in the analysis. Data suggest a possible age difference in nitrogen utilization that needs to be further explored |
| Campbell et al., 2008 (8) USA | Controlled metabolic study | Healthy volunteers, young (n=27) 29-30 \pm 7-8 y and old (n=21) 72-75 \pm 6-4 y, 93% white. Young vs. old and men vs. women | N-balance | Low protein diet:0.5g /kg Medium: 0.75 g/kg High: 1.0 g /kg BW. Animal based egg and dairy protein | Strict dietary control. Duplicate portions of all foods and beverages on days 7-10 of each trial. Stool collections on day 7-9 of each trial. 24-h urine collections on day 7-10 and 14-17 of each trial. | Young n=23 Old n=19 | Three 18-d periods, minimum 1 week habitual diet between the periods. 3-d rotation of menus Eucaloric diet (estimated energy intake from estimated REE times PAL. | Body weight unchanged. N-balance not different between the four groups. Estimated requirement expressed pr. kg BW was not significantly different for the young vs. old or | A The estimated adequate protein allowance was 0.85 \pm 0.21 g/kg BW/d and not significantly different from Rand et al |

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| | | | | | Miscellaneous losses assumed to be 5 mg nitrogen/kg BW/d | | Morning meal consumed at dining facility, lunch, dinner and weekend meals were packaged and taken home | men vs. women. Mean protein requirement was lower for older women vs. older men, but expressed pr. kg FFM there was no significant difference. For all subjects combined the adequate protein allowance was estimated to be 0.85 ±0.21 g/kg BW/d | |
| Walrand et al., 2009 (9) USA | CT Single-blinded | 10 healthy young (5 men) and 10 old (5 men) volunteers | N-balance, glomerular filtration rate (GFR), muscle protein synthesis | High protein (HP): 3.0 g/kg FFM (22-24 E%) and usual protein (UP): 1.5 g/kg FFM (11-12 E%) | All food was prepared at the metabolic ward 24-h urine collection at the end of each 10-d trial. No stool collections and no estimate for miscellaneous losses | 10 young and 9 old | 10 days of HP (Young: 2.08±0.07 g/kg BW and old: 1.79±0.1 g/kg BW) or UP (young: 1.04±0.03g/kg BW and old 0.89±0.05 g/kg BW) protein diets in a cross-over design, separated by 2-8 weeks | Unchanged BW. N-balance and muscle protein synthesis did not differ with age. GFR was lower in older participants and they had a lesser increase in GFR during the HP diet corresponding to 77% of younger people at the UP and 58% of younger people during HP | B Short term, but interesting because of the high protein intake. No age related difference in N-balance but concern about a HP diet corresponding to app. 24E% in the elderly because of potential adverse effect on the kidney function |

Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 2. Evidence table, protein intake and mortality

| Reference | Study design | Population, | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow- up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Fung et al., 2010 (10) USA | Cohort | Nurses' Health Study (NHS) 34-59 y, n=? in 1980 used as baseline Health Professionals' Follow-up Study (HPFS) 51,529 males 40-75 y | All-cause mortality and mortality of CVD and cancers (lung, colorectal, breast and prostate) from death certificates or medical records | E% of fat, protein and carbohydrate in deciles to create a low carbohydrate score (LC) and also an animal LC score (animal fat and animal protein and a vegetable LC score (vegetable fat and vegetable protein) | Baseline in 1980 a 61-item FFQ (NHS) expanded to 116-item FFQ in 1984 and used in HPFS. But dietary information collected in 1986 used in the analyses. Implausible energy intakes (< 500 kcal and > 3500 kcal) excluded. No sufficient information about validation | NHS: n=85,168 and 12,555 deaths HPFS: n=44,548 and 8,678 deaths 44 | Range in intake of total protein: 15-23 E% | 26 y in NHS and 20 y in HPFS | In pooled analysis hazard ratio (HR) comparing lowest vs highest decile All-cause mortality: LC score HR 1.12 (95% CI 1.01-1.24) Animal-based HR 1.23 (1.11-1.37) and vegetable-based HR 0.80 (0.75-0.85). Cardiovascular mortality: Animal-based HR 1.14 (1.01-1.29) and vegetable-based HR | Age, physical activity, BMI, energy intake, alcohol, history of hypertension, smoking, multivitamin use, menopausal status and hormone use. For relevant outcomes also history and family history of the cancer and risk factors | B In the present LC scores animal- and plant-based food have differential effect on mortality The present LC scores not designed to mimic any particular versions of the low-carbohydrate diets in the popular literature |

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| | | | | | | | | | 0.77 (0.68-0.87). Cancer mortality: Animal-based HR 1.28 (1.02-1.60) | | |
| Halbesma et al., 2009 (11) The Netherlands | cohort | Prevention of Renal and Vascular End-stage Disease (PREVEND) study All inhabitants of a city in the Netherlands invited. 48% responded. From these a random sample of 7,768 with 24 h urinary albumin \geq 10 mg/L (6,000 participated) and another sample of 3,394 with 24 h urinary albumin < 10 mg/L (2,592 participated). Total in the two samples: 8,592. Gender distribution not given. Avg. Base-line age: 49-50 yrs. Exclusion | Cardiovascular morbidity and mortality. Non-cardiovascular mortality. Renal outcome = slope of decline in estimated glomerular filtration rate eGFR (from gender, age, race and serum creatinine) | Continuous values and quintiles of estimated baseline protein intake in g per kg body "ideal" weight (BW) (after correcting the BMI to 22) | Protein intake estimated from two 24-h urinary N. No correction for possible loss of urine (PABA) | 5,778 of 8,461 and 373 deaths | Mean protein intake = 1.20 g/kg BW/d, range in percentiles: 5 th : 0.8 95 th : 2.66 | 7.0 y and 7.2 y for different outcomes. Follow-up: 70% of survivors | Significant inverse trend for total (p<0.001) and non-cardiovascular mortality (p<0.001) (univariate analysis). Similar results in Cox regression analyses | Age, gender cardiovascular risk factors incl. sodium intake | C The intake level of protein could not be assessed because the values per kg BW are corrected to "ideal" BW and thus, probably higher than actual intake |

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| | | criteria: Type 1 diabetes, pregnancy, known kidney disease. | | | | | | | | | |
| Kelemen et al., 2005 (12) USA | Cohort | Iowa Women's Health Study 41,836 (42% response rate), 55-69 y | Chronic disease, and mortality | Total, animal and vegetable protein E% in quintiles (Q) substituted isoenergetical ly for carbohydrate | At baseline FFQ during past year. Implausible energy intakes (< 600 kcal and > 5000 kcal) excluded. No sufficient information about validation | 29,017 (70%) Death all causes n = 3,978, deaths CHD n = 739, deaths cancer n = 1,676, new cancers n= 4,843 | Q1: 14 E% Q5: 22 E% | 15 y | Highest vs. lowest quintile. All-cause mortality: Total, animal and vegetable protein were significantly inverse associated with all-cause mortality, but no significant associations in the multivariable models. Deaths CHD: no association to total protein, vegetable protein RR (95% CI) 0.70 (0.49- 0.99) and p for trend = 0.02 Cancer and cancer deaths: both animal and | Age, total energy intake, intake of animal/ve getable protein, fats, fibre, cholesterol, methionine and alcohol, smoking, physical activity, BMI, education, history of hypertension, family history of cancer, use of hormones, multi vitamin and E vitamin | C Women only. No information about the total energy intake and limited information about the FFQ method and validation. Food based: Dietary proteins from animal and vegetable sources when substituted for carbohydrates are differently associated with mortality from CHD and all causes |

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| | | | | | | | | | <p>vegetable protein was significantly inversely associated with cancer and cancer deaths in the macronutrient adjusted models, but no associations in the multivariable models.</p> <p>Substituting vegetable protein for animal protein only the inverse association to CHD mortality remained significant in the multivariable model: 0.70 (0.51-0.98 and p for trend = 0.02</p> | | |
| Lagiou et al., 2007 (13) Sweden | Cohort | The Women's Lifestyle and Health cohort 49,261, 30-49 y | Mortality derived from Register of Total Population and | A 1-10 score based on deciles of energy adjusted protein intake and another | 80-item FFQ during 6 months prior to study entry. No sufficient information | 42,237 (86%) and 592 deaths | Lowest decile : 10 E% Highest decile: 23 E% | 12y | Increased protein intake was associated to CVD mortality: RR 1.10 | Height, BMI, smoking, physical activity, education, energy | C Reported low energy intake (median 6.4 MJ). Results more |

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| | | | from Swedish Cause of Death Register | based on deciles of carbohydrate (CH) intake and also a additive low CH-high protein score | about validation | | | | (95% CI 1.01-1.20) . The low CH-high protein score was positively associated with all cause mortality: RR 1.04 (95% CI 1.00-1.08) and especially cardiovascular mortality: RR 1.15 (1.01-1.28) Relation to cancer deaths NS | intake, saturated fat, alcohol | pronounced for cardiovascular mortality among women +40 y at baseline |
| Preis et al., 2010 (14) USA | Cohort | Health Professionals Follow-Up Study 51,529 male professionals 40-75 y at baseline | Physician verified ischemic heart disease (IHD) or from medical records, fatal and nonfatal | Quintiles of E% protein (total, animal and vegetable), substitution of protein for an isocaloric amount of carbohydrate (CH) | 131-item FFQ Internal evaluation: the Pearson correlation for protein was 0.44 | 43,960 IHD n= 2,959 (1804 nonfatal and 155 fatal cases) | Lowest quintile 14.6 E% and highest quintile 22.5 E% substituted for CH | 18 y | Inverse association between vegetable protein and fatal IHD Top quintile vs. bottom quintile RR 0.66 and 95%CI 0.49-0.88 , p for trend =0.005 Excluding the men free of diabetes, hypertension and hypercholeste | Age, BMI, smoking, parental history of myocardium infarction before age 65, Energy intake, alcohol, multivitamin, physical activity, glycemic index, folate, fibre, | B Higher intake of total and animal protein E% were associated with increased risk of IHD among “healthy” men (without baseline hypertension, diabetes and hypercholesterolemia) |

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| Prentice et al., 2011 (15) USA | Two cohorts | Two Women's Health Initiative (WHI) cohorts: Dietary Modification trial (DMT) n = 26,595 (91%) and WHI Observational Study (WHI-OS) n = 67,492 (88%) And 85 % white All postmenopausal and 50-79 y at baseline | Self-reported and physician adjudicated myocardial infarction, CHD deaths and stroke | Biomarker "Calibrated" Protein intake in g per day and protein E% | 122-item FFQ Subgroup n = 544 urinary biomarkers in order to calibrate. Calibration equations applied to data from DMT after one year follow up and in the WHI-OS after 3 y follow | DMT n = 59,157 (88%) and WHI-OS n = 59,157 (88%) Total = 80,370 W and 3,917 cardiovascular disease events | | Data combined for the two cohorts. Calibrated protein in g per day: Coronary deaths NS Calibrated protein E% without BMI: fatal CHD: 0.74 (0.59-0.93) | Calibration included: energy intake, age, ethnicity, income, education, Confounders: ethnicity, education, history of CVD, family history of premature CVD, smoking, hypertension, treated diabetes, medication | B Energy intake level only acceptable after calibration. Only recreational physical activity and measurement method not described. Protein E% inversely related to coronary heart disease mortality, while the relation to protein in g per day is NS | |

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| Trichopoulou et al., 2007 (16) Greece | Cohort | The Greek cohort of EPIC 28,572 volunteers, 20-86 y | Mortality from death certificates | A low carbohydrate –high protein score (LC/HP) using deciles of energy adjusted intake | 150-item FFQ during one year before study entry. Validation during pilot phase, but no further information Correlation of protein to LC/HP was low: absolute values R-Spearman 0.32 and energy-adjusted R-Spearman 0.28 | 22,944 (80%) , 59% female and 455 deaths | Range in intake of total protein: app. 10-20 E% | 5 y (range 1-125 months) | The LC/HP score was positively related to all-cause mortality: RR 1.08 (95% CI: 1.03-1.13). A 2-unit increase in the LC/HP score was positively related to cardiovascular deaths: RR 1.09 (1.01-1.23) | Gender, age, y of schooling, smoking, BMI, physical activity, alcohol, energy intake, saturated and unsaturated lipids | B Many low-energy reporters among the women. |

Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 3. Evidence table, protein intake and breast cancer

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Follow- up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Holmes et al., 2003 (17) USA | Cohort | Nurses' Health Study In 1976: 121,700 women 30-55 y Baseline data from 1980 n = 88,647 | Breast cancer verified by medical records | Quartiles of energy percentage (E%) of total, animal and vegetable protein and energy adjusted animal food sources as well | The 1980 edition of a 61-item FFQ over the past year Implausible energy intakes excluded (< 500 kcal or > 3500 kcal per day) | 88,647 and 4,107 cases | 18 y | No statistically significant associations to cancer of total, animal or vegetable protein | Age, history of benign breast disease, menopausal status, hormonal use, parity, weight change from age 18, BMI, energy intake, alcohol | C Heredity not mentioned as a confounder. No information about the energy intake and the validity of the protein intake assessment |
| Sala et al., 2000 (18) UK | Nested case-control | EPIC-Norfolk and the National Health Service Regional Breast Screening Programme for Norwich N = 9,484 | Mammographic parenchymal pattern | Protein in g per day in tertiles | 7-d food diaries. No information about validation | Cases n = 203 Controls n = 203 | | Highest versus lowest adjusted tertiles: OR 2.00 (95 % CI: 1.06-3.77), trend test p = 0.004 and when adjusting for energy intake OR 2.30 | Menopausal status, parity, Hormone use, BMI and energy intake | B Heredity not mentioned as a confounder |

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| Sieri et al., 2002 (19) Italy | Nested case- control | Italy, part of the ORDET prospective study. Healthy postmenopausal women 41-70 y, baseline data from 1987-1992. 83% of the cohort completed a FFQ n= 3367 After an average of 5.5 y follow up 56 cases with invasive breast cancer was found and matched with 214 controls | Histologic ally confirmed breast cancer cases | Energy adjusted intake in tertiles of total, animal and vegetable protein | 107-item FFQ over the previous year Reproducibili ty after 1 y was 0.69 for protein | cases n=56 and controls n=214 | | No significant relations. Highest vs lowest tertile: Total protein: OR 1.44 (95% CI 0.70-2.97) Animal protein: OR 3.78 (0.95-15.0) Vegetable protein: OR 0.97 (0.31-3.01) | Place of birth, parity, education (BMI, WHR eliminated again) | C Small study and short follow-up. No information about the energy intake. Heredity not mentioned as a confounder |

Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 4. Evidence table, protein intake and colorectal cancer

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Alexander et al., 2009 (20) | Meta-analyses | 3 cohort studies and 3 case-control studies included, just one study (cohort) included women | Colorectal cancer | Animal and meat protein in g per day | | | For animal protein no significant relation: summary relative risk estimate, SRRE 1.05 and 95% CI: 0.89-1.22 | | C The main focus was on fat in relation to cancer, and not protein. The included studies regarding protein were not described thoroughly and some of them not relevant in a nordic setting. Only few included women. Few studies with animal protein, most studies included foods (meat) |
| Almendingen et al., 2001 (21) | Case-control | Baseline data from a Norwegian RCT | histologically confirmed | Total and animal protein in g | 53 Weighed 5-day dietary record. No | Cases n=87 Hospital | Intake divided in 3 groups: Low, | BMI, family history, | B Focus on two different control |

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| Norway | | study, including 116 polyp patients 50-76 y of which 87 patient with histologically confirmed adenomas were included. Two control groups: "Hospital" controls with polyp-free status n=35 and healthy controls n=35 | adenomas | per day | information about validation | controls n=35 Healthy controls n=35 | medium and high (tertiles?) NS relations between cases and the two control groups for total and animal protein | smoking and intake of energy, fat, fibre | groups. The NS differences were most marked when healthy controls were used as the comparison group Small study. No information about protein E% or g protein per kg BW |
| Breuer-Katschinski et al., 2001 (22) Germany | Case-control | German study with cases who had identified and removed at least one colorectal adenomatous polyp verified histologically Two control groups: I: Hospital control: Patients without polyps after colonoscopy II: Population controls from the general population | histologically confirmed adenomas | Quintiles of total protein and meat intake in g per day | Dietary history during the past year. The dietary history only evaluated against a similar method | Cases n=182 (Response rate 69%) Hospital controls n=178 (response rate 66%) Population controls n=182 (response rate 50%) | No significant association between protein intake and colorectal adenoma risk for both control groups | Energy intake, social class, BMI | C Disagreement between numbers of participants in the text compared to the tables. Self-reported height and weight |
| Levi et al., 2002 (23) Switzerland | Case-control | Swiss study, cases with histologically confirmed colon cancer, age 26-74 y. Hospital controls | | Energy adjusted total protein intake in tertiles | 79-item FFQ 2 years prior to diagnosis. No information about validation | Cases n=286 (rate 84%) Controls n=550 (rate 85%) | No significant relation to protein, lowest vs highest tertile | Age, sex, education, physical activity, energy intake (BMI, | C No information about energy intake level |

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| | | age 27-74 y | | | (just as references) | | | family history, parity, age of first birth) | |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 5. Evidence table, protein intake and various cancers

| Reference | Study design | Population, | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Follow- up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Bosetti et al., 2003 (24) Italy | Case-control | Italy and Switzerland 1992-2000 Cases 30-79 Y Diagnosis no longer than 1 y before interview and diagnosis histologically confirmed Hospital controls 31-79 y non-neoplastic. a control-to-case ration of about five was chosen for women, as opposed for two males to compensate for the rarity of laryngeal cancer in women | Laryngeal cancer | Energy adjusted g per day of total, animal and vegetable protein in quintiles | 78-item FFQ, diet 2 years before diagnosis | cases n=527 (91% male) and controls n=1297 (81% males) | | Highest vs lowest quintile: OR and 95% CI Total protein: OR 1.62 (1.8-2.43) Animal protein: OR 1.71 (1.16-2.52) Vegetable protein: OR 0.51 (0.33-0.77) | Age, sex, centre, education, BMI, smoking, alcohol, energy intake | C Hospital controls, response rate just mentioned in the discussion. Self-reported anthropometry Cases had higher tobacco and alcohol consumption |
| Zheng et al., 2004 (25) USA | Case-control | 21-84 y women identified through Connecticut Tumor Registry and histologically | Histologically confirmed non-Hodgkin's | Energy adjusted intake in quartiles of total, animal | 120-item FFQ prior year before interview Designed to | 601 cases 717 controls | | Highest vs lowest quartile of animal protein: OR | Age, BMI, family history, (race, education, | C Women only. Insufficient information about validation |

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| | | confirmed in 1996-2000 Cases n=601 (response rate 72%). Population-based controls n=717 Response rate: random digit dialing: 69% (< 65 y) and Health care administration files: 47% (>65y) | lymphoma | and vegetable protein in g per day | optimize estimation of fat intake | | | 1.7 95 CI: 1.2-2.4). No association for total and vegetable protein | smoking, alcohol) | of the FFQ. No information about total energy intake No information about anthropometry |
| Mayne et al., 2001 (26) USA | Case-control | USA, multi centre English speaking 30-79 y cases, diagnosed 1993-1995. Population-based tumor registries and diagnoses histologically confirmed. Population-based controls | Histologically confirmed diagnoses. Target cases: I: Adenocarcinomas of the esophagus and II: gastric cardia (response rate 80.6%). Comparison on case groups: esophageal II: al squamous cell carcinoma, IV: noncardia | Energy adjusted intake in quartiles of total, animal and vegetable protein | 104-item FFQ, 3-5 y before diagnosis or interview. Insufficient information about validation of the FFQ. | Target cases n = 537 Comparison on case groups n= 558 and controls n= 687 After exclusion of implausible energy intake estimates (< 600 kcal/day, n=20 or > 5000 kcal/day, n=3) | | 75 th vs 25 th percentile of intake: OR and 95% CI Total protein: I: 1.49 (1.02-2.18) II: 1.64 (1.11-2.42) III: 1.75 (1.07-2.88) IV: 1.52 (1.08-2.15) Animal protein: I: 1.79 (1.33-2.41) II: 1.60 (1.19-2.15) III: 2.14 (1.47-3.12) IV: 1.58 (1.22-2.06) Vegetable protein: I: 0.39 (0.27- | Location, age, sex, race, proxy status, BMI, income, education, smoking, alcohol, energy intake | B No information about anthropometry (“usual adult body mass index”). Vegetable protein inversely associated with risk (not significant for II) |

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| | | | gastric cancer (response rate 74.16%). Controls (response rate 70.2%) | | | | | 0.58) II: 0.75 (0.53-1.07) III: 0.34 (0.21-0.56) IV: 0.63 (0.45-0.87) | | |
| Pan et al., 2004 (27) Canada | Case-control | Canadian National Enhanced Cancer Surveillance System (NECSS) 20-76 y participants. Data collection 1994-1997 in 8-10 Canadian provinces Population-based controls | Ovarian cancer registries identified cases defined by ICDO-2, code C56 and histologically confirmed | Energy adjusted intake in quartiles of total protein in g per week | 69-item FFQ: usual diet 2 y before data collection. Weekly intake. Validation not sufficiently reported and taken into account | Cases: 442 (response rate 56.5% of ascertained cases) Controls: 2135(response rate 65.4 % of ascertained cases) but afterwards 204 excluded | | No relation to protein intake (quartiles of intake) | Age, location, education, income, marital status, ethnic group, alcohol, BMI, energy intake, smoking, physical activity, years of menstruation, menopausal status In Ontario also: family history, oral contraceptive uses, hormone replacement therapy | B Low response rate. Only 69-item FFQ |

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| Lucenforte et al., 2010 (28) Italy | Case-control | Italian, hospital based. Cases diagnosed no longer than 1 year before interview (83% diagnosed 3 months before) | Cancer of pancreas excl. neuroendocrine tumours) | | 78-item FFQ Diet during 2 years before diagnosis. No information about validation and total energy intake. | 326 cases and 652 controls (34-80 y and 53% men) | | No association with total and vegetable protein, but a significant positive association with animal protein for the highest vs. Lowest quintile of intake (OR = 1.85, 95% CI: 1.15-2.96) | Age, sex, location, education, smoking, diabetes, energy intake. Apparently not alcohol | C Hospital based. Association found for animal protein |
| Hu et al., 2010 (29) Canada | Case-control | Canadian National Enhanced Cancer Surveillance System (NECSS) 20-76 y participants. Data collection 1994-1997 in 8 Canadian provinces | Prostate cancer registries identified cases defined by ICDO-2 | Total protein g/week and in quartiles | 69-item FFQ: usual diet 2 y before data collection. Weekly intake. Validation not sufficiently reported and taken into account | Cases: 1,797 (response rate 75.3%) Controls: 2,547 (response rate 64.5 %) | | No relation for total proteins: 503.5 ±277.3 vs. 500.3 ±231.6 g/week And quartiles P for trend 0.15 | Age, location, education, income, alcohol, energy intake, smoking BMI, | B Only 69-item FFQ |
| Lee et al., 2008 (30) | Pooled analysis | 13 prospective cohort studies | Renal cell cancer | Intake of total, animal and plant protein (E%) in quintiles | FFQ or dietary history | 530,469 W 244,483 M | 7-20 y | NS associations (p for trend) for total, animal and vegetable protein in the multivariate analysis | Age, hypertension, BMI, smoking, parity and intake of energy, fruit-vegetables and alcohol | B Not a SLR but a pooled analysis. No information about the intake level in the quintiles used in the analysis |

Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 6. Evidence table, protein intake and coronary heart disease

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow-up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Halbesma et al., 2009 (11) Netherlands | cohort | Prevention of Renal and Vascular ENd-stage Disease (PREVEND) study All inhabitants of a city in the Netherlands invited. 48% responded. From these a random sample of 7,768 with 24 h urinary albumin \geq 10 mg/L (6,000 participated) and another sample of 3,394 with 24 h urinary albumin < 10 mg/L (2,592 participated). Total in the two samples: 8,592. Gender distribution not given. Avg. Base-line age: 49-50 y | Cardiovascular morbidity and mortality. Non-cardiovascular mortality. Renal outcome = slope of decline in estimated glomerular filtration rate eGFR (from gender, age, race and serum creatinine) | Continuous values and quintiles of estimated baseline protein intake in g per kg body "ideal" weight (BW) (after correcting the BMI to 22) | Protein intake estimated from 24 urinary N. No correction for possible loss of urine (PABA). | 5,778 of 8461 and 373 deaths 60 | Mean protein intake = 1.20 g/kg BW/d, range in percentiles: 5 th : 0.8 95 th : 2.66 | 7.0 y and 7.2 y for different outcomes. Follow-up: 70% of survivors | No association with eGFR. Event rates: significant trend for high cardiovascular and non-cardiovascular mortality with low intake (univariate analysis). Apparently a U shaped association. Similar results in Cox regression analyses adjusted for age, gender and cardiovascular risk factors. No association between protein intake | Age, gender cardiovascular risk factors incl. sodium intake | C The intake level of protein could not be assessed because the values per kg BW are corrected to "ideal" BW and thus, probably higher than actual intake |

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| | | Exclusion criteria: Type 1 diabetes, pregnancy, known kidney disease | | | | | | | and rate of decline in eGFR | | |
| Halton et al., 2002 (31) USA | Cohort | Nurses' Health Study, 98,462 female nurses 34-59 y in 1980 with dietary data | Incident coronary heart disease (CHD), including nonfatal AMI or fatal events. Confirmed by medical records. Se-lipids from blood samples in a subgroup in 1990 | Low-carbohydrate (CH) score (low CH and high fat and high protein diet) based on energy percentages (E%) and also based on animal or vegetable sources of fat and protein Also protein (total, animal and vegetable) in a separate analyses | 61-item FFQ during previous year. From 1984 app. 120-items. Implausible energy intakes (< 500 kcal and > 3500 kcal) excluded Evaluation : correlation 0.56 for protein vs. six 1-week food records in 1980 and 1986 | 82,802 (84%) CHD n= 1994 Subgroup (n= 466) | | 20 y | Comparing the highest and lowest deciles of the score on the basis of E% from CH, vegetable protein and vegetable fat the RR (95%CI) was 0.70 (0.56-0.88) and p for trend 0.002 The score was inversely associated with s-triglycerid , p for trend = 0.05. When examining the association for each macronutrient separately | Age, BMI, smoking, physical activity, postmenopausal hormone use, alcohol, aspirin, supplements (multivitamin and E-vitamin), history of hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, parental MI | B No association with risk of CHD with a low CH and high fat-protein diet, and no association for protein separately. When vegetable sources of protein and fat were chosen in the score there was a 30% reduced risk of CHD. Thus difficult to separate the effect from protein <i>per se</i> . |

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| Preis et al., 2010 (14) USA | Cohort | Health Professionals Follow-Up Study 51,529 male professionals 40-75 y at baseline | Physician verified ischemic heart disease (IHD) or from medical records, fatal and nonfatal | Quintiles of energy percentage (E%) protein (total, animal and vegetable), substituted for an isocaloric amount of carbohydrate (CH) | 131-item FFQ Internal evaluation: the Pearson correlation for protein was 0.44 | 43,960 IHD n= 2,959 (1804 nonfatal and 155 fatal cases) | Lowest quintile 14.6 E% and highest quintile 22.5 E% substituted for CH | 18 y | Inverse association between vegetable protein and fatal IHD Top quintile vs. bottom quintile RR 0.66 and 95%CI 0.49-0.88 , p for trend =0.005 Excluding the men free of diabetes, hypertension and hypercholesterolemia at baseline a higher intake of total (RR 1.21 (1.01-1.44, p for trend 0.02), and animal protein (RR 1.25 (1.04-1.51, P for trend 0.02) | Age, BMI, smoking, parental history of myocardium infarction before age 65, Energy intake, alcohol, multivitamin, physical activity, glycemic index, folate, fibre, vitamin C, folate, magnesium, n-3. Baseline hypertension, diabetes and hypercholesterolemia | B Higher intake of total and animal protein E% were associated with increased risk of IHD among “healthy” men (without baseline hypertension, diabetes and hypercholesterolemia) |

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| Prentice et al., 2011 (15) USA | Two cohorts | Two Women's Health Initiative (WHI) cohorts: Dietary Modification trial (DMT) n = 0 26,595 (91%) and WHI Observational Study (WHI-OS) n = 67,492 (88%) And 85 % white All postmenopausal and 50-79 y at baseline | Self-reported and physician adjudicated myocardial infarction, CHD deaths and stroke | Biomarker "Calibrated" Protein intake in g per day and protein E% | 122-item FFQ Subgroup n = 544 urinary biomarkers in order to calibrate. Calibration equations applied to data from DMT after one year follow up and in the WHI-OS after 3 years follow | DMT n = 59,157 (88%) and WHI-OS n = 59,157 (88%) Total = 80,370 W and 3,917 cardiovascular disease events | | | Data combined for the two cohorts Calibrated protein intake without BMI: Stroke: 0.89 (0.82 – 0.98), NS for CHD Calibrated protein E% without BMI: CHD 0.85 (0.75-0.97) and fatal CHD: 0.74 (0.59-0.93) Total CVD (CHD and stroke): 0.89 (0.81-0.98) | Calibration included: energy intake, age, ethnicity, income, education, Confounders: ethnicity, education, history of CVD, family history of premature CVD, smoking, hypertension, treated diabetes, medication (statin aspirin prior hormone) recreational physical activity and BM | B Energy intake level only acceptable after calibration. Only recreational physical activity and measurement method not described |

Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 7. Evidence table, protein intake and stroke

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow- up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Iso et al., 2001 (32) USA | Cohort | Nurses' Health Study 98,462 female nurses 34-59 y | Fatal and non-fatal stroke. Self-reported strokes were confirmed by medical records. Subclassified in: intraparenchymal hemorrhages, subarachnoidal hemorrhages, ischemic strokes and unclassified strokes | Baseline (1980) dietary intake data Quintiles of energy adjusted total, animal and vegetable protein in g per day | 61-item FFQ Evaluation showed correlation 0.47 for protein | 85,764 (87%) 64 | | 14 y | No relation between total, animal or vegetable protein and strokes. Intraparenchymal hemorrhage (n=21). After adjustment for fat and vegetable protein, RR for animal protein was 0.32 (0.10-1.00), P for trend 0.04 | Age, smoking, BMI, alcohol, menopause status, postmenopausal hormone use, physical activity, aspirin, multivitamin, E vitamin use, intake of energy, n-3, calcium, history of hypertension, diabetes and hypercholesterolemia | C No information about total energy intake Animal protein inversely associated with risk of intraparenchymal hemorrhage |

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| Preis et al., 2010 (33) USA | Cohort | Health Professionals Follow-Up Study 51,529 male health professionals 40-75 y | Physician verified non-fatal strokes and fatal strokes confirmed by medical records | Quintiles of E% protein (total, animal and vegetable), substituted for an isocaloric amount of carbohydrate (CH) | 131-item FFQ Internal evaluation, the Pearson correlation for protein was 0.44 Implausible energy intakes (< 800 kcal and > 4200 kcal) excluded | 43,960 | Q1: 14.2 E% Q5: 23.2 E% | 18 months | For total stroke the relative risk for the top quintile vs bottom of energy percentage protein was 1.14 (0.90; 1.43) for total, 1.11 (0.87;1.41) for animal and 0.82(0.60; 1.12) for vegetable protein | Age, BMI, smoking, parental history of myocardium infarction before age 65, Energy intake, alcohol, multivitamin, physical activity, glycemic index, folate, fibre, vitamin B6, B12 and C, potassium, magnesium, n-3. Baseline hypertension, diabetes and hypercholesterolemia | B No association after adjustment for confounders between protein and risk of any kind of stroke. In contrast to Japanese studies |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 8. Evidence table, protein intake and blood pressure

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Time between baseline exposure and outcome assessment | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow-up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Appel et al., 2005 (34) USA | Randomized crossover study | The Omniheart Study. 164 adults with prehypertension or stage 1 hypertension, 40% Caucasians Subgroup analyses for race or BP | Systolic blood pressure and LDL-cholesterol. Secondary outcomes: diastolic blood pressure, HDL cholesterol and triglycerides | | | 164 16% drop outs 66 | A diet with 15 E% protein vs 25 E% protein, and the 10 E% protein replaced with carbohydrate. About half protein from plant sources Each feeding period lasted 6 weeks. All foods were provided and prepared in a research kitchen. Main meal was eaten on-site, other meals were consumed off-site. | | Protein diet vs carbohydrate. Among prehypertensives: Systolic BP: -0.9 mm Hg (p = 0.047) Diastolic BP: -0.9 (p = 0.01) LDL: -2.1 mg/dL (p = 0.14). The same trend but NS in Caucasians | | B Good quality study, but B because of the population. Both prehypertension and hypertension stage 1, only 40% Caucasians. Only 21% normal weight, but body weight was kept constant. Subgroup analyses for race or BP, but not combined. Primary interest in carbohydrate vs protein and |

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| Alonso et al., 2006 (35) Spain | Cohort | SUN cohort, university graduates, n= 6,686 (39% men), at baseline | Self-reported BP and information about hypertension (HT) | | 36-item FFQ, intake during previous year. No information about the referred validation study | 5,880 (88%) | E% of total, animal and vegetable protein in quintiles | 12 % loss to 2 y follow up (median 28 months) | Highest vs. Lowest quintile of vegetable protein and risk of HT, hazard ration, and 95% CI: 0.5 (0.2-1.0) and p for trend = 0.06 | Age, sex, BMI, physical activity, smoking, alcohol, sodium intake, personal history of hypercholesterolemia, intake of fruit, vegetables, fiber, caffeine, magnesium, potassium, low-fat dairy, MUFA and SFA | B No information about the intake level of protein E% |
| Dong et al., 2011 (38) | Meta-analyses | 25 studies with 27 RCT, 9 in USA, 8 in Europe and 10 in other countries, n= 1608, both normo- and hypertensive subjects, incl. 11 trials with only normotensives | Systolic blood pressure (SBP) and diastolic blood pressure (DBP) | Duration of intervention lasted 4- 52 weeks, median 8 weeks Parallel (n=14) and cross-over design (n=13). Most control | | N = 1,608 | Soya protein ranged 18-66 g/day with median 30 g/day | | Weighed mean difference (WMD) and (95%CI) Overall SBP: -2.21 (-4.10 to -0.33) DBP: -1.44 (-2.56 to -0.31) Hypertensives: SBP -8.58 (- | | B Differences more pronounced in hypertensive groups, in trials using carbohydrate as control diet vs. casein/milk, in parallel design |

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| | | | | groups received casein/milk or carbohydrate | | | | | 15.10 to -2.06) and DSP -5.24 (-9.40 to -1.08) and for Normotensives SBP-2.27 (-3.77 to -0.76) and DBP -1.21 (-2.19 to -0.23) | | and with intervention duration of at least 12 weeks |
| Liu et al., 2002 (37) | Meta-analysis | 11 cross-sectional (US and multi ethnic, 35% Chinese/Japanese) and two longitudinal studies (US) | Systolic blood pressure (SBP) and diastolic blood pressure (DBP) | | Mainly 24-h dietary recall and 24-h urine collection, few FFQ and 3-d records | 9 cross-sectional studies Men: n=19,954 for SBP and 19,982 for DBP women: n=950 for SBP and DBP Both sexes: n=12,716 for SBP and 12,508 for DBP and 2 longitudinal studies, one with adults and one with children | Energy percentage (E%) or g per day of total , protein intake | | Cross-sectional pooled regression coefficients (SE) Men: SBP 0.03 (0.001), p = 0.01 DBP 0.025 (0.01), p= 0.01 Women: SBP 0.014 (0.01) , p = 0.022 DBP 0.021 (0.00), p = 0.01. Both sexes: SBP 0.029 (0.01), p = 0.01 DBP 0.016 (0.00), p = 0.01 | | C Mainly cross sectional studies. No information about level of protein intake Inverse association between dietary protein intake and blood pressure in both men and women. The association was depending on the dietary assessment method. Evidence from the longitudinal studies was limited. |
| Stamler et al., 2002 (36) USA | Cohort | Chicago Western Electric Study Male employees 40-55 y | Body weight (BW) and blood | | The mean of two dietary histories (DH) with 1 | Baseline n=2,107 At follow up | E% total , animal and vegetable protein | 8 y | Inverse relation of vegetable protein for both SBP and DBP | Age, education, height, smoking, | B No information about salt |

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| | | | pressure, Systolic (SBP) and diastolic (DBP) | | year apart at baseline, intake during the preceding 28 days. Limited reproducibility | n=1,714 (81%) | | | | alcohol, weight change | intake. Limited reproducibility of the two DH thus an underestimate strength of relation to BP. Baseline protein intake 15 ±1.9 E%. Vegetable protein is a marker of potassium, magnesium and fibre and may not be related independently to BP |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 9. Evidence table, protein intake and lipoproteins

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/exposure | Results | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Anderson et al., 2011 (40) | Meta-analysis | 43 RCT with 59 treatment arms (20 parallel design and 23 crossover studies), graded for quality, primarily hypercholesterolemic men and women | Netto changes (soy minus control) of lipoproteins (LDL- and HDL-cholesterol, measurements obtained between 4 and 8 weeks of intervention | Soy consumption vs. non-soy control diets, less than 65 g soy protein/day, median 30 g/day | <p>Parallel studies scored higher in study quality than crossover studies.</p> <p>Parallel: LDL-change -0.23 mmol/l (95%CI -0.28to -0.18) a 5.5% reduction. HDL-change 0.044 (0.014-0.074, a 3.2% reduction</p> <p>Crossover: LDL-change -0.16 mmol/l (95%CI -0.22 -0.11) a 4.2% reduction.</p> <p>Hypercholesterolemic individuals show greater reductions in LDL-cholesterol values (-8.6% to -20.3%) than normocholesterolemic (+0.8 to -2.1%)</p> | <p>A</p> <p>Results depend on study design. 15-30 g soy protein (1 to 2 servings per day) had a positive impact</p> <p>Studies with highest baseline LDL had greater reductions than studies with the lowest values, thus the effect may be smaller in normocholesterolemic subjects</p> |
| Harland et al., 2008 (39) | Meta-analysis | 30 RCT with 42 treatment arms (n= 2,913, 28% men) and | Se-lipids: total cholesterol, LDL and HDL, and | Daily intake of app. 25 g soya protein (range 15-40 g) from | Decrease in total cholesterol - 0.22 mmol/L (95%CI -0.142 to -0.291), p<0.0001 and in LDL cholesterol -0.23 mmol/L (- | <p>B</p> <p>High quality study but missing information about conflict of interest.</p> |

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| | | average intake of 26.9 g soya protein Healthy volunteers, or mildly hypercholesterolaemic, weight loss < 2kg/d, BMI < 30, duration min. 4 weeks | triglycerides (TG) Secondary outcomes: ApoA-I and ApoB | isolated soya protein, soya protein concentrates or soya foods | 0.160 to -0.306), p<0.0001 HDL non-significantly increased 0.071 (0.002 to 0.144) p=0.057 TG -0.087 mmol/L (-0.004 to -0.158), p = 0.04 | The reduction in LDL corresponds to app. 6% reduction in the general population, after inclusion of app. 25 g soya protein per day |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 10. Evidence table, protein intake and bone health

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/exposure | Time between baseline exposure and outcome assessment | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow-up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Beasley et al., 2010 (41) USA | Cross sectional and longitudinal study. Only longitudinal results included | 631 women, age 14-40 y at baseline. | Annual change in hip, spine, and whole body bone mineral density (BMD) | Baseline protein energy percentage (E%) in tertiles of total, animal and vegetable protein | | Semiquantitative FFQ from Women's Health Initiative. Implausible energy intakes (<500 or >5000 kcal) excluded, n=44 | 560 | | 2-3 y | No longitudinal relation of total, animal or vegetable protein E% to changes in BMD | Age, BMI, physical activity, smoking recent contraceptive use (DMPA) use, intake of energy intake, phosphorus, and magnesium. | C Women only. The study had main focus on contraceptive use (DMPA) and BMD. Relation to protein intake was a secondary analysis. Not sufficient information about recruitment and response rate. Energy intake low. No data to evaluate lower and upper limits of recommended ranges of intake because interquartile range of protein |

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| Dargent-Molina et al., 2008 (45) France | Prospective cohort | The E3N (Etude Epidémiologique de femmes de la Mutuelle Générale de l'Éducation Nationale [MGEN] prospective cohort. 100,000 women, 40-65 y at baseline. Only postmenopausal women included in this study (n=40,224) | Fracture risk (Variation according to calcium intake in the association between protein intake and overall acid-base equilibrium (as renal net acid excretion [RNAE] estimate) of diet and fracture risk) | Intake of protein in g/kg BW and energy adjusted (per 1000 kcal) intake of total, animal and vegetable protein in quartiles combined with calcium intake | | Validated FFQ. Two parts: questions on quantity and frequency of food groups, and questions detailing the food groups into 208 food items. Booklet to facilitate portion sizes | 36,217 and 2,408 fractures | | 15 y and 8.37 y in average | No overall association between fracture risk and total protein or RNAE. In the lowest quartile of Calcium (<400 mg/1000 kcal), high total protein intake was associated with increased fracture risk RR 1.51 (95% CI: 1.17-1.94) and also for animal protein RR 1.66 (95% CI: 1.29-2.13), while for vegetable protein the opposite direction was found: RR 0.68 (95% CI: 0.53-0.87). Expressed by | BMI, physical activity at the dietary data assessment (METs) parity, maternal history of hip fracture, postmenopausal hormonal therapy smoking, alcohol intake, total daily non-alcoholic energy intake | B Women only. Self-reported height, weight and PAL, but high quality study. No information about vitamin D and no control for baseline BMD and weight loss during follow up. Only increased fracture risk in the presence of low calcium intake for energy adjusted total and animal protein and also expressed as g per kg bodyweight. The population had a habitual high protein intake. |

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| Darling et al., 2009 (44) | Systematic review and meta-analyses | Healthy human adults. 61 studies: 31 cross-sectional and cohort studies (22 from Western countries), and 19 randomized controlled trials (14 from Western countries) examining BMD, BMC and bone markers, 11 cohort and case-control studies (9 from Western countries, one from China and one cross-cultural) examining fracture risk | Bone mineral density (BMD), bone mineral content (BMC), bone markers and fracture risk | Total protein intake (g/kg BW or g/day) | | 11 studies used FFQ, 13 studies used dietary records 7 studies used recall or other methods. The 11 studies examining fracture risk used FFQ in 8 studies and national survey data in 3 studies. Overall no detailed information about quality assessment of the dietary methods | | | | 15 Cross-sectional surveys found a positive relation between protein intake and BMD while 18 found no significant correlation. The meta-analysis of RC Trials found a positive influence of protein on lumbar spine BMD but not on risk for hip fractures. No significant effect of | | B The overall impression is a small benefit of protein on bone health but less clear conclusion on reducing fracture risk |

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| Fenton et al., 2011 (47) | Systematic review and a meta-analysis | 55 studies: 22 RCT, 2 meta-analysis, 11 cohort studies and 19 in vitro cell studies | Osteoporosis (BMD, bone resorption markers) | Dietary acid load | | | | | | The analysis did not find support for the hypothesis that “acid” from the diet causes osteoporosis or that an “alkaline” diet prevents osteoporosis. Higher protein intakes and animal protein were not detrimental to calcium retention. The ideal protein intake for bone health could not be determined | Most cohort studies not adjusted for important risk factors like weight loss during follow up, family history of osteoporosis, baseline BMD and estrogen status | C Focus on acid load (including protein). Fine systematic review but not sufficient information about the dietary intervention/intake |
| Harrington et al., 2004 (48) Ireland | Randomized crossover trial | 26 postmenopausal women (50-67 y). | Bone and calcium metabolism: Urinary Na, K, Ca, nitrogen and NTx | High Na-high protein diet vs low Na-usual-protein diet. Protein and sodium provided as protein-Na- | | 4 d estimated diet record data quantified using average portion sizes and a photographic | 24 (2 women excluded) | High Na (180 mmol/d), high protein (90 g/d) intake (i.e., calciuric diet) vs low Na (65 mmol/d), usual protein (70g/d) (basal diet). | Two successive intervention periods each of 4 weeks No “wash out” period | Calciuric diet: Increase in mean urinary Na, N, K, Ca, and NTx vs basal diet. No differences in serum | | B Women only. Both high Na and high protein, thus difficult to separate the effect from protein |

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| | | | (marker of bone resorption) Fasting blood samples: PTH, s-25(OH)D3, 1,25(OH)2D3, osteocalcin, B-Alk. phosphatase | rich bread | | album 24h-urine nitrogen collection at baseline and at the last two days of each intervention period | | Calcium intake at normal levels in both diets (ca 800 mg/d) | Four weeks in each intervention | markers of urinary minerals between diets in either VDR genotype groups. Calciuric diet increased urinary NTx in the <i>f</i> + VDR groups (n = 10) | |
| Hunt et al., 2009 (49) USA | RCT, feeding study, 2x2 factorial crossover | 34 healthy postmenopausal women (50-69 y) | Calcium retention Blood and urinary biomarkers of calcium and bone metabolism | Low or high calcium intake combined with low or high protein intake | | Controlled experimental diets using foods in a 2-d menu cycle. 48h urine collections at weeks 0,1,2,3,5 and 7. Fasting blood samples at week 1 and 7 | 27 N=7 dropped out | 675 or 1510 mg calcium/d combined with: Low protein 10 E% (0.85 g/kg BW) or high protein 20E% (1.66 g/kg BW) | 2 x 7 weeks with each diet, 3 weeks washout period | High vs low protein intake increased calcium retention from low calcium diet (29.5% absorbed), but not high calcium diet (18% absorbed). For low-calcium diet the increased retention nearly balanced a protein related 0.5 mmol/l greater urinary calcium excretion. | A Women only. High protein (meat) intake was not detrimental to calcium retention, and resulted in an increase in IGF-1 which may be beneficial for bone formation |

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| Sahni et al., 2010 (46) USA | Cohort study | Framingham Offspring Study Baseline 5,124 men and women and 3,724 completed FFQ. Mean age app. 55 y | Self-reported fractures, confirmed by review of medical reports | Intake in tertiles of total, animal and plant protein (g/d) and also as a continuous variable. Then stratified by total calcium intake in low (< 800 mg calcium) and high > 800 mg calcium) intake | | 126-item semi-quantitative FFQ. Implausible energy intakes (< 600 kcal and > 4000 kcal) excluded. No further information about validation | 3656 (53% women) and 44 hip fractures | | 12 y | No statistically significant associations between protein in tertiles and fracture risk. In the low calcium intake group highest vs. lowest tertile of animal protein had increased risk of fracture: HR 2.84 (95% CI 1.20-6.74). In the high calcium intake group the highest vs. lowest tertile of animal protein had reduced risk of fracture: HR 0.15 (95% CI 0.02-0.92). | Sex, height, body weight, energy intake, physical activity, smoking, menopause status, intake of total calcium and vitamin D | B Animal protein was related to fracture risk depending on the calcium intake level |

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| Sellmeyer et al., 2001 (42) USA | Prospective cohort | 1061 postmenopausal white women. Aged >65 y The Study of Osteoporotic Fractures. Multi-centre | Bone mineral density (BMD), self-reported hip fractures confirmed by radiologist reports | Energy adjusted protein intake (E%) and the ratio of animal to vegetable protein (A/V ratio) in tertiles | 3.6 years later. Hip fractures were assessed every 4 months. | 63 item FFQ from the second NHANES study. Food models to estimate portion sizes. No information about validation | 1,035 n = 26 had no food data. Hip fractures n=48. Repeat BMD (bone loss) n = 742 | Median protein intake 17E% | Mean of 7 y | Baseline BMD not related to A/V ratio, but bone loss positively related to A/V ratio. Risk of hip fracture related to high animal protein intake and high A/V ratio | Age, weight, oestrogen use, tobacco use, exercise, energy intake, total calcium intake, total protein E% | C Women only EI quite low (\approx 5MJ), indicating under-reporting When adjusted for BMD in the model the relation of A/V ratio to fracture risk was NS (p=0.07) |
| Tucker et al., 2001 (43) USA | Prospective cohort. The cross-sectional analyses at baseline not included | Men and women 69-97 years at baseline, participants in the Framingham Osteoporosis Study (FOS). N = 855 cohort members. (Originally 5,209 men and women in FOS) | Bone mineral density (BMD) at femoral neck, lumbar spine and radius | E% of total and animal protein and in quartiles | Baseline and 4 y BMD. | Validated 126-item semi-quantitative FFQ at baseline Implausible energy intakes (< 600 kcal and > 4000 kcal) excluded. No sufficient information about validation | 615 | | 4 y | Lower E% of total and animal protein was associated with higher BMD loss at femur and spine after 4 years and likewise the lowest quartile of E% from total and animal protein showed the greatest bone loss. The highest quartile of total protein intake (1.2-2.8 g/kg body | Body weight, weight change, BMI, PA, alcohol use, smoking, oestrogen use by women, dietary intake of Ca, vitamin D, and Ca and/or vit D supplements, total EI intake at baseline, total EI, sex, caffeine, | C No information about the total energy intake, thus the absolute intakes cannot be assessed |

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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 11. Evidence table, protein intake and energy intake

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow-up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Koppes et al., 2008 (50) The Netherlands | Cohort The Amsterdam Growth and Health Longitudinal Study | 698 13 y-old boys and girls followed up at ages 14,15,16,21,32 and 36 y (some only at the age of 32 and 36) | Energy intake, macronutrient distribution, body fatness (skinfolds) and at age 36 DEXA | E% of total protein intake | Face-to-face dietary history method providing information about the preceding 4 weeks. At age 36 the method was computer-assisted. Inter-period correlations ranged from 0.31 to 0.62 | N=350 (50%) 168 men and 182 women | | | Longitudinal development of the protein E% was inversely related to total energy intake. Men: -0.125 MJ per E%. Women: -0.152 MJ per E%. Protein E% at the ages 32 and 36 y was positively related to total fat mass at the age of 36 | Age, education, smoking, physical activity, energy intake | B The paper only reported the total energy at age 36 y Maybe obesity-related underreporting The association between protein intake was about 3 times larger than the association for fat and energy intake. |
| Rumpler et al., 2006 (51) USA | Controlled crossover study | 12 volunteers, men only, 39±9 y, normal weight and weight-stable | <i>Ad libitum</i> intake, body weight and body composition (DEXA) | Different macronutrient composition of <i>ad libitum</i> diets. The protein drink provide 50% of RDA | All foods were provided by the research centre. Subjects choose foods from menus. | 12 Men | Two of three treatments in two 8 weeks periods: Drinks providing 2.1 MJ included in an <i>ad libitum</i> | | During week 1 and 2 the average energy intake was significantly lower for CHO than | | B Strictly controlled. Small study and young men only. Only 8 weeks duration of each diet |

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| | | | | (addition of 27 g protein/day) | During week days breakfast and dinner were eaten at the centre while lunch and weekend foods were packed and eaten outside centre. All uneaten food was returned, weighed and recorded | | diet: High carbohydrate (CHO) High fat (FAT) and high protein (PRO) | | FA, but the effect disappeared after week 3. No effect on EI of the macronutrient composition over the prolonged period of time | | |
| Weigle et al., 2005 (52) USA | Strictly controlled study | 19 healthy (3 M and 16 F) volunteers, 27-62 y, weight-stable for ≥ 3 month before enrolment and lifetime maximal weight. BMI > 30 Two research centres | Appetite, body weight, energy intake, Plasma insulin, leptin and ghrelin, Resting metabolic rate (RMR) | Normal vs. high protein diet with constant carbohydrate (CH) content | All meals prepared at the research centres. Typical food from a mixed American diet in 3-d cycle menus. 2-3 times a week body weight and pick up the prepared meals for the next 2 or 3 days. Daily food log and appetite related questions | 19 RMR only n=11. BMI 26.2 \pm 2.1 | Weight-maintaining diet: 15 E% protein, 35 E% fat, 50 E% CH for 2 wk, Isocaloric diet: 30 E% protein, 20 E% fat, 50 E% CH for 2 wk. <i>Ad libitum</i> diet: 30 E% protein, 20 E% fat, 50 E% CH for 12 wk | | Stable body weight during weight maintenance and isocaloric diet periods. During <i>ad libitum</i> diet weight loss 4.9 \pm 0.5 kg (body fat 3.7 \pm 0.4 kg), decreased energy intake and decreased appetite | | B Small study but strictly controlled, only 12 weeks of <i>ad libitum</i>) Actually a high protein-low fat diet and thus difficult to separate the effect of protein <i>per se</i> No information about side effects (renal function and calcium balance) |

Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 12. Evidence table, protein intake and body weight and body composition

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow- up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Adams & Rini, 2007 (53) USA | Cohort | 116 college students 18-31 y | 1-y change in BMI | Protein consumption frequency (per day/per week) | Short FFQ as a part of a health risk questionnaire | 116 | | 1 y | NS for protein intake as a predictor for BMI change | Age, months between screening, pain, chronic conditions , medical visits, smoking, body fatness, perceived health | C Not a dietary survey, only one frequency question about protein consumption |
| Bujnowski et al., 2011 (54) USA | Cohort | The Chicago Western Electric Study 2,107 healthy employed men aged 40-55 y in 1957/58 | BMI ≥ 25 = overweight, BM ≥ 30 = obesity | Quartiles of E% animal and vegetable protein intake | Burkes dietary history method, obtained twice with one year between, the mean of the two examinations | 1,730 (82%) 82 | | 7 y | Lowest vs. highest quartile, animal protein: overweight 2.09 (95% CI 1.55-2.81) and obesity 4.62 (2.68-7.98). vegetables protein obesity 0.58 (0.36-0.95) | Age, energy intake, education, smoking, heavy alcohol, energy percentage of saturated fat and carbohydrate, history of | C Old data with some missing information. Animal and vegetable protein have different relations to BW |

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| | | | | | | | | | | chronic disease, diabetes | |
| Ferrara et al., 2006 (59) Italy | Randomized controlled study | 15 physically active weight stable male volunteers 18-36 y | Body weight (BW), BMI, body composition (impedance), Blood pressure, Total cholesterol, HDL and TG | High protein diet (HP): 1.9 g/kg BW (22 E%) vs. Normal diet (NP): < 1.3 g/kg BW (15 E%) | 7-day food record | 7 on HP 8 on NP | | 6 months | During intervention HP group had a decrease in BW of 2 kg (3.5% of baseline BW) vs NP group of 0.7 kg (1% of baseline BW). No change in FFM and BMI | | C Small study. Main focus and power calculation on vascular reactivity. The dietary intervention method not well described. Probably underreporting. (reported EI around 10 MJ for physically active young men) Prestudy diet was high in protein (21 E%) |
| Halkjær et al., 2006 (55) Denmark | Cohort | Danish Diet, Cancer and Health Study 57,053 (35%) men and women 50-64 y. 44,897 (83% of eligible) in the follow study | 5-y change in waist circumference (WC) | E% of total, animal and vegetable protein | 192-item FFQ designed for the study. Validated against two 7-d weighed diet records. No further information about the validation | 42,969 (47% men) | | 5 y | Men and women combined, total and animal protein were inversely associated with change in WC: RR (95% CI) : 0.26 (-0.49;- | Age, physical activity, smoking Baseline WC, BMI, alcohol | B Low response rate. |

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| | | | | | | | | | 0.04 and -0.28 (-0.51;-0.05) respectively | | |
| Halkjær et al., 2011 (56) Europe | Cohort | EPIC Six cohorts from 5 countries and also participating in the Diogenes project 146,543 M & W | Change in body weight in g per year and waist circumference (WC) in cm per year | Total, animal and vegetable protein in kcal per day and per 150kcal per day increments (equalling 37.5 g protein) | Country specific FFQ from the past year Evaluated against a 24-h recall in a subpopulation: Correlations ranged from 0.24 (animal protein) to 0.40 (plant protein) | 89,432 (58% women) | | 6.5 y | Total and animal protein associated with weight gain: 52.9 g per year (95% CI: 25.9-79.9) and 56.2 g per year, respectively, especially in women and mainly from red and processed meat and poultry rather than from fish and dairy products. NS association to WC | Baseline weight, height and WC, age, follow-up time, smoking, physical activity, education, menopausal status and hormone use | B |
| Iqbal et al., 2006 (57) Denmark | Cohort | Glostrup Population Studies and MONICA1 2025 M & W at base ages 30, 40,50 and 60 | Change in BW Baseline BMI and follow up BW | Protein E% | Weighed 7-day food record. No information about validation | 1,762 (51% W) | | 5 y | NS association between protein and change in BW | Baseline BMI, age, physical activity, smoking, education, cohort, volume and energy intake | B |

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| Koppes et al., 2008 (50) The Netherlands | Cohort | The Amsterdam Growth and Health Longitudinal study 698 13 y-old boys and girls followed up at ages 14,15,16,21,32 and 36 y (some only at the age of 32 and 36) | Energy intake, Macronutrient distribution, body fatness (skinfolds) and at age 36 DEXA | E% of total protein intake | Face-to-face dietary history method providing information about the preceding 4 weeks. At age 36 the method was computer-assisted | N=350 (50%) 168 men and 182 women | | | Longitudinal development of the protein E% was inversely related to total energy intake. Men: -0.125 MJ per E%. Women: -0.152 MJ per E%. Protein E% at the ages 32 and 36 y was positively related to total fat mass at the age of 36 | Age, education, smoking, physical activity, energy intake | B Total energy intake only reported at age 36. Maybe obesity-related underreporting |
| Sammel et al., 2003 (58) USA | Cohort | The Penne Study of Ovarian Aging. Prospective Cohort study 1420 W, 75% of eligible, n= 436 Age at baseline 41 y | Body weight gain of ≥ 10 lb, yes or no | Protein intake in servings per day | FFQ with foods and transformed to food categories, e.g. "protein" | 336 women, 51% Caucasian | | 4 y | NS association between weight gain and protein servings per day: 1.1 ± 0.7 versus 1.7 ± 2.6 and $p=0.086$ | BMI | C Only a very rough FFQ table used and protein only as "servings per day" |
| Weigle et al., 2005 (52) USA | Strictly controlled study | 19 healthy (3 M and 16 F) volunteers, 27-62 y, weight-stable for ≥ 3 month before enrolment and lifetime maximal weight. BMI > 30 | Appetite, body weight, energy intake, Plasma insulin, leptin and ghrelin, | Normal vs. high protein diet with constant carbohydrate (CH) content | All meals prepared at the research centres. Typical food from a mixed American diet in 3-d cycle menus. | 19 RMR only n=11. BMI 26.2 ± 2.1 | Weight-maintaining diet: 15 E% protein, 35 E% fat, 50 E% CH for 2 wk, Isocaloric diet: 30 E% protein, | | Stable body weight during weight maintenance and isocaloric diet periods. During <i>ad libitum</i> diet | | B Small study but strictly controlled, only 12 weeks of <i>ad libitum</i> No information about side |

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| | | Two research centres | Resting metabolic rate (RMR) | | 2-3 times a week body weight and pick up the prepared meals for the next 2 or 3 days. Daily food log and appetite related questions | | 20 E% fat, 50 E% CH for 2 wk. <i>Ad libitum</i> diet: 30 E% protein, 20 E% fat, 50 E% CH for 12 wk. | | weight loss 4.9±0.5 kg (body fat 3.7±0.4 kg) , decreased energy intake and decreased appetite | | effects (renal function and calcium balance) |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 13. Evidence table, protein intake and renal function

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Time between baseline exposure and outcome assessment | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow-up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Frank et al., 2009 (61) Germany | RC Cross-over study. | 24 healthy young men. Incl.: No clinical or laboratory evidence of kidney, heart, liver or endocrine disease. Excl.: hypertension, body mass ≥ 25 , microalbuminuria, antihypertensive treatment, regular alcohol consumption, smoking. | GFR (glomerular filtration rate; sinistrin \approx inulin) FR(Filtration fraction) RPF (renal plasma flow; PAH) RVR (renal vascular resistance) urinary albumin excretion. Blood pressure BP), renin, angiotensin, | 7 days dietary intervention by dieticians instruction, subjects living at home NP (Normal Protein) 1.2 g/kg per d. HP (High Protein) 2.4 g/kg per d. Mainly animal incl. dairy | 7 days | Food records at home with assistance of dieticians. 24 h urinary N on day of examination. No correction for possible loss of urine (PABA). | 24 | Dose interval: 1.2 g/kg per d. Duration: 7 d. Compliance: Based on difference between measured 24 h urinary N excretions (increase from 9.1 g/d to 13.9 g/d) it can be calculated that the increase in intake was about 0.4 g protein/kg per d. This is much less than the planned increase of 1.2 g/kg per d. | No drop-outs | HP considerably increased GFR (124 \rightarrow 141 ml/min), FR (25 \rightarrow 28 %), and urinary albumin (9 \rightarrow 18 mg/24 h). No changes in RPF, RVR, BP or RAA. | None (cross-over design) | B |

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| Halbesma et al., 2009 (11) The Netherlands | cohort | All inhabitants of a city in the Netherlands invited. 48% responded. From these a random sample of 7768 with 24 h urinary albumin ≥ 10 mg/L (6000 participated) and another sample of 3394 with 24 h urinary albumin < 10 mg/L (2592 participated). Total in the two samples: 8592. Gender distribution not given. Avg. Base-line age: 49-50 yrs. Exclusion criteria: Type 1 diabetes, pregnancy, known kidney disease | Cardiovascular morbidity and mortality. Non-cardiovascular mortality. Renal outcome = slope of decline in estimated glomerular filtration rate eGFR (from gender, age, race and serum creatinine). | Quintiles of estimated baseline protein intake | 7.0 y and 7.2 y for different outcomes. | Protein intake estimated from 24 urinary N. No correction for possible loss of urine (PABA). | 5778 of 8592 (373 deaths), i.e. 70% of survivors | None | 7.0 y and 7.2 y for different outcomes. Follow-up: 70% of survivors. | Mean protein intake = 1.20 g/d. No association with eGFR. Event rates: significant trend for high cardiovascular and non-cardiovascular mortality with low intake (univariate analysis). Apparently a U shaped association. Similar results in Cox regression analyses adjusted for age, gender and cardiovascular risk factors. No association between protein intake and rate of decline in eGFR. At base-line (\approx cross-sectional), a | Age, gender cardiovascular risk factors incl. sodium intake. | C |

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| | | | | | | | | | | positive relationship between protein intake and 24 h urinary albumin excretion. | | |
| Jakobsen et al., 2011 (63) Denmark | RCT | Inclusion: Healthy males, aged 20-40 yrs. Exclusion: smoking, BMI \geq 25, use of any medication, strenuous physical activity > 4 h/week, chronic disease, impairment of shoulder, arm and/or hand. Setting: free living with daily visits to the laboratory 24 participants at base-line. All male. Mean age \pm SD: 24 \pm 4 yrs. Anthropometry: Mean BMI \pm SD: 22 \pm 1 | N-balance, muscle function, cognitive function, creatinine clearance, urinary albumin excretion | Randomized to continuation of usual protein intake (UP: 1.5 g/kg per d) or a high protein diet (HP: 3.0 g/kg per d), mainly by increasing animal protein.. Isoenergetic diets by reduction of carbohydrate in high protein group | 3 weeks | All food was prepared by the metabolic kitchen of the department. Lunch was eaten in the department on week-days and other meals for the day were provided as a package. For the week-ends, a package for all meals were provided. Leftovers were brought back for weighing. Energy provision was adjusted in increments of 0.5 to 1.0 MJ/d to keep body weight | 23 | After the 3 weeks' intervention period, the measured urinary N loss in the usual protein group corresponded to a protein intake = 1.3 \pm 0.2 g/kg per d (mean \pm SD) and in the high protein group= 2.6 \pm 0.2 g/kg per d | One of 12 participants in the high protein group dropped out due to flu | No effect on renal function (creatinine clearance or albumin excretion). No effect on muscle function. A slight improvement in cognitive function (P = 0.015) | None. Baseline characteristics quite similar in the two groups | A |

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| | | | | | | stable. Protein intake was validated by collection of 24 h urinary N. Urine collection was validated by PABA tablets | | | | | | |
| Knight et al., 2003 (60) USA | Cohort | A selected group from the 121.700 participants in the Nurses' Health study. The present 1624 women constitute a random sample among those who gave blood samples in 1989 and 2000 and who had no history of analgesic abuse. Exclusion criteria: cancer, cardiovascular disease, pre-existing high plasma creatinine (estimated GFR <55 ml/min) or a history of abnormal kidney function. questionnaires and collection of | Questionnaires and collections of blood samples eGFR estimated from plasma creatinine | Total protein intake, also of type of protein (vegetable, animal non-diary, diary) at baseline and at 4 y interim follow-up, analysed as a continuous variable and in quintiles | 11 y | FFQ during previous year. Pearson r by correlation of FFQs with 4 y interval: 0.5. No further information about validation | 1624 (selected because of compliance) | No independent control of actual food intake | 11 y follow-up, only of those with end of study blood sample | No association between protein intake, or type of protein intake, and rate of decline in estimated GFR among women with normal kidney function at baseline. Among women with mild kidney insufficiency at baseline, the decline in GFR was related to protein intake, | Age, weight, animal fat intake, phosphorus intake, alcohol intake, hypercholesterolemia, diabetes, hypertension, smoking | C No information about the energy intake |

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| | | blood samples. Average age: 56 y Anthropometry: Average body weight: 70 kg | | | | | | | | significant also for non-dairy protein intake | | |
| Walrand et al., 2008 (9) USA | RCT in cross-over design. | Inclusion 10 young and 10 elderly participants. Healthy as judged from history, physical examination and laboratory tests. Exclusion: BMI \geq 32, smoking, pregnancy, exercise > 30 min x 2/week, medications affecting metabolism . Setting: All food prepared by the metabolic kitchen of the department. Participants living at home (probably) but admitted to research unit for measurements. 10 young and 10 elderly. 5 women in each group. Age: y young: 24 \pm 1 (mean \pm SE), | N balance, insulin sensitivity glomerular filtration rate, by iothalamate meglumine (GFR); protein metabolism measured by stable isotopes. A number of other metabolic variables | Random allocation to Usual Protein intake (UP: 1 g/kg per d) or High Protein intake (HP: 2 g/kg per d), but adjusted for the differences in FFM. Followed by cross-over to opposite diet with 2-8 weeks' wash-out period. Isoenergetic diets by reduction of fat in high protein group | 10 days | Food was provided to the participants from the metabolic kitchen and participants were weighed daily. Compliance was checked by (one?) 24 h urinary excretion at the end of each dietary period. No independent control of urine collection. Compliance was also evaluated from measured leucine oxidation, recalculated to total protein oxidation | 19. One elderly participant dropped out for unknown reasons | 24 h urinary N excretion data are not given. HP did increase calculated total protein oxidation, but the increase is only about 40% of reported increased intake (young) and 20% (elderly). A calculation of N balance is provided, but it is unclear whether this is calculated from N data or from stable isotope data. The N balance improved almost twice as much as the increase in protein intake and the absolute values are approximately twice as high as the reported | 1 drop-out of 10 participants . | GFR increased significantly in young participants and decreased (insignificantly) in elderly. Insulin sensitivity was unaffected by HP. Other metabolic results are not considered relevant for the present review | None. Not necessary in this cross-over design. | B |

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| | | <p>elderly: 70 ± 2 y. Anthropometry, BMI: young: 23 ± 1 (mean \pm SE), elderly: 27 ± 2; Fat free mass (FFM), kg: young: 49 ± 4 (mean \pm SE), elderly: 46 ± 4;</p> | | | | | | <p>intakes. In summary it is difficult to evaluate the adherence to dietary targets, but the data do suggest an increase in protein intake</p> | | | | |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 14. Evidence table, protein intake and kidney stones

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow- up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Curhan et al., 2004 (64) USA | cohort | A selected group from the 116.671 participants in the Nurses' Health Study II. The present 96.245 were those who had completed at least 1 FFQ. Exclusion criteria: date for stone formation not available, stone formation before first FFQ. Setting: Baseline and 4 y FFQ Missing FFQ .and biennial self-reporting of kidney stones. Age: 27-44 y, avg.: 36 y. Anthropometry: Average BMI: 25 | Self-reported kidney stone formation | Spontaneous food intake with analyses of intakes of nutrients judged to be relevant for kidney stone formation, including energy adjusted g/day of protein and type of protein (animal) at baseline, analyzed in quintiles.sepa rately for the 0-4 y and the 4-8 y periods | FFQ. Validity referred to in references, but no data given in this paper. Knight et al 2003 (Fel! Bokmärket är inte definierat.): Pearson r by correlation of FFQs with 4 yrs interval= 0.5 | 96,245 | No independent control of actual food intake | 8 y. Drop-out not specified | No association between animal protein intake and risk of kidney stone formation | Age, BMI, family history of kidney stone formation, dietary calcium, calcium supplements, potassium, sodium, sucrose, phytate, fluid intake | C |
| Taylor et al., 2004 (65) | Cohort | 45.619 male participants in the Health | Biennial Self-reported | Spontaneous food intake with analyses | FFQ. Validity referred to in | 45,619 | No independent control of actual food | Avg 10 y. Only complete | Overall, no association between | BMI, alcohol, diuretics, | B |

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| USA | | <p>Professionals Follow Up Study who provided full information on their diet. About 2000 of original eligible sample did not provide full information.</p> <p>Exclusion: history of kidney stone.</p> <p>Avg age not given, range of age groups: 40-\geq70.</p> <p>Anthropometry: Avg or range of BMI not given</p> | <p>kidney stone formation accompanied by pain or hematuria</p> | <p>of intakes of nutrients judged to be relevant for kidney stone formation, including animal protein at 4 yrs intervals. Corrected for total Energy intake. Analyzed in quintiles</p> <p>.</p> | <p>references, but no data given in this paper</p> | | <p>intake</p> | <p>FFQs included</p> | <p>animal protein intake and risk of kidney stone formation. Among those with a BMI <25, a significantly higher RR for developing a kidney stone. Not clear whether this is only the age-adjusted analysis or the multivariate analysis</p> | <p>calcium supplements, intakes of fluid, potassium, calcium in food, sodium, magnesium, vitamin C</p> | |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 15. Evidence table, protein intake and diabetes

| Reference | Study design | Population | Outcome measures | Intervention/ exposure | Time between baseline exposure and outcome assessment | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow-up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Bowden et al., 2007 (70) USA | RCT | 108 healthy, free-living, sedentary university students. No at baseline: 108. Of 94 who completed: 66% women, 34% men. Mean age \approx 20 y (SD \approx 1.5) Ethnicity not provided | Fasting blood glucose. Anthropometry: BMI or similar not given. Initial body fat estimated by DEXA | Participants were stratified for initial % body fat < or \geq 30% and then randomized into 2 groups. One group followed the AHA (American Heart Association) recommendations: 15 E% protein, 30 E% fat, 55 E% carbohydrate and the other group had more protein (25 E% protein, 30 E% fat and 45 E% carbohydrate) | 12 weeks | Instruction and supervision in university department. Participants used software to record dietary intake 3 days/week (2 weekdays and 1 weekend day in consecutive order). Participants kept logs of their physical activity. For validation, participants met a counsellor every 2 ⁹⁵ weeks. The counsellor | 94 out of 108 completed the trial | Participant groups who aimed at keeping their body weight stable, did keep their body weight and those meant to reduce body weight had a non-significant weight loss of 1 kg. Apart from this, no data on compliance | 94 out of 108 completed the 12 weeks' trial (13% drop out). However, the four study groups ended with a large variation in number of participants with completed trials: from 7 to 34 | Participants with body fat <30% and a high protein E% had a significant 6% decrease in 12 hours' fasting blood glucose, as compared to baseline (N = 15). Participants with body fat \geq 30% and a high protein E% had a similar decrease in blood glucose, but not significant due to small number of participants who completed | None | C Small numbers, especially in group 4. Low and not commented energy intakes. No information about body weight |

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| | | | | <p>Those with % body fat < 30% were asked to maintain their usual total energy intake and those with % body fat \geq 30% were asked to reduce their usual total energy intake by 500 kcal/d. All participants were instructed to follow exercise recommendations: 30 min/day and 4-6 times/week of aerobic exercise which stimulated heart rate to 60% - 85% of maximum heart rate. Duration of intervention was 12 weeks</p> | | <p>checked the completeness of recordings of food intake and exercise logs. Participants were removed from the study, if logs were not completed, or if they did not adhere to the dietary and exercise protocols.</p> <p>No biomarker validation was applied (e.g. 24 h urine collection)</p> | | | | | | |
| de Koning et al., 2011 (66) | cohort | Health Professionals Follow Up Study | Biennial Self-reported | Spontaneous food intake with analyses | Follow-up time: max 20 yrs. | 131-item FFQ. Validity | 40,475 and 2,689 cases | No independent control of actual food | Max follow-up time: 20 yr | Highest versus lowest quintile of the | Age, smoking, physical | B Average or range of BMI |

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| USA | | 51,529 M (40-75 y) Exclusion:., history of T2D, CVD, or cancer at baseline | health status incl. new type 2 diabetes (T2D) | of intakes of macronutrients. Data rearranged in 'Carbohydrate scores': max score = 30 = lowest intake of carbohydrate and highest intake of protein and fat based on E% and also based on animal or vegetable sources of fat and protein. Data analysed in quintiles of scores | | examined in a small subsample by comparison to two 7 days' food recordings. Pearson correlations varied from 0.4 (protein) to 0.7 (CH) Those with implausible energy intake (<800 kcal or > 4200 kcal) excluded | | intake | 40.475 of 51.529 in the original cohort were included in the analysis | low carbohydrate/high total protein and fat score was associated with higher frequencies of T2D (P for linear trend < 0.01 in a multivariate analysis). Same results for animal based scores, but not for vegetable based scores. Within animal protein, the association was mainly with red and processed meat | activity, coffee, alcohol, family history of T2D, total energy intake and BMI | not given |
| Halton et al., 2008 (67) USA | cohort | A selected group from the 121,700 participants in the Nurses' Health study aged 30-55 y. The present sample of 85,059 women were selected by exclusion of those with: ≥ 10 items blank in the semi-quantitative food- | Report of new incidence of type 2 diabetes in 2 y follow up questionnaires, extended with a more detailed questionnaires | Spontaneous food intake with analyses of intakes of macronutrients. Data rearranged in 'Carbohydrate scores': max score = 30 = lowest intake of carbohydrate | 20 y follow-up, but each 2 years' incidence of T2D related to previous 4 years' SFFQ | FFQ. Validity stated as 'reported elsewhere (ref to a book)'. Those with implausibly high (< 3500 kcal) or low (<500 kcal) energy intakes | 85,059 and 4,670 cases | Spontaneous food intake. No independent control of actual food intake | 20 y follow-up, but each 2 y incidence of T2D related to previous 4 y SFQQ. Follow-up of 85,059 out of original 121,700 | With 'low carbohydrate intake + high protein and fat intake' (high carbohydrate score), a higher risk for T2D. This association disappeared when BMI | Age, smoking, hormone use, physical activity, alcohol, family history of T2D, BMI | B Energy intake app. 6 MJ and thus indication of some underreporting |

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| | | <p>frequency questionnaire (SFFQ), implausibly energy intakes, history of diabetes, cancer or cardiovascular disease at baseline, Setting: FFQs every 4 years and questionnaire on disease status every 2 years for a 20 yrs period.</p> <p>Anthropometry: Average BMI at baseline: ≈ 24</p> | <p>aire to confirm diagnosis. Type 1 diabetes and gestationa l diabetes excluded</p> | <p>and highest intake of protein and fat . Data analysed in deciles of scores</p> | | <p>excluded</p> | | | <p>participants Unknown how many dropped out <i>versus</i> were excluded by other exclusion criteria</p> | <p>was included in multivariate analysis and also when data were analyzed separately in strata of obese and nonobese women. The higher risk for T2D was related to 'low carbohydrate intake + high animal protein and animal fat intake' (disappeared with BMI). However, with 'low carbohydrate intake + high vegetable protein and vegetable fat intake', there was a lower risk for T2D (persisted with BMI) RR 0.82 (95% CI: 0.71-0.94) For individual</p> | | |
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| Schulze et al., 2008 (68) Germany | Cohort | Part of EPIC study (Potsdam, Germany). 10,904 M (40-65 y) and 16,644 W (35-65 y) Exclusion: DM at baseline, missing follow-up, missing baseline info on diet or confounders, Baseline values: BMI \approx 27, Waist circumference \approx 95 cm (M), 80 cm (F) | New type 2 diabetes (T2D) reported in questionnaires every 2-3 years and confirmed by diagnosing physician | Intakes of macronutrients in g/day and E%. Protein E% intake, substituted isoenergetically by 5 E% higher carbohydrate intake | 9 y | 148-item FFQ during 12 months before examination, calibrated according to earlier correlation analysis of FFQ <i>versus</i> 24 h recalls of food intake. Results presented in quintiles of protein intake. Those with implausible low or high energy intake excluded | 9,702 M and 15,365 W and 844 cases | No independent control of actual food intake | 9 y 10% drop out | Lower protein intake, substituted by higher carbohydrate intake, associated with decreased diabetes risk. For each 5 energy% substitution of protein with carbohydrate: RR: 0.77 (95% CI: 0.64-0.91) | Age, sex, BMI, waist circumference, education, activity, smoking, total energy intake, fibre intake, magnesium intake | B |
| Sluijs et al., 2010 (69) The Netherlands | Cohort | Part of EPIC study (NL), merged by two cohorts: Prospect-EPIC: | New type 2 diabetes (T2D) reported in questionnaire | Protein intake per 10 g of intake and Quartiles of protein E% intake | 10 y | 79-item FFQ. Earlier study showed a correlation between protein | 38,094. Missing follow-up: 931 (2.5%) and 918 | No independent control of actual food intake. | 10 y drop-out 2.5% | Higher protein intake associated with higher risk of T2D. Univariate | Sex, age, , energy-adjusted intake of saturated fat, | B |

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| | | <p>17,357 W (40-79 y)</p> <p>MORGEN-EPIC: 22,654 M & W (21-64 y) Total N = 38,094 26% M.</p> <p>Exclusion: DM at baseline, missing follow-up, Baseline values: BMI \approx 25, Waist circumference \approx 55 cm (M & F)</p> | <p>aires every 3-5 y and confirmed by diagnosing physician.</p> <p>Same as in Schulze et al 2008 (68) but more details on animal <i>versus</i> vegetable protein</p> | <p>substituted isoenergetically by 5 E% lower carbohydrate intake</p> | | <p>intake by FFQ and by 24 h recall ($r = 0.69$).</p> <p>Those with implausibly high (< 5000 kcal) or low (<6000 kcal) energy intakes excluded</p> | cases | | <p>analysis: Highest quartile of protein intake vs. lowest: HR: 2.15 (95% CI: 1.77-2.60). Intake per 10 g increased protein intake increased risk HR: 1.16 (95% CI: 1.06-1.26) and also in animal based protein HR 1.13 (95% CI: 1.04-1.22) Higher protein intake, substituted by lower carbohydrate intake, associated with higher diabetes risk For each 5 energy% substitution of carbohydrate with protein: RR: 1.28 (95% CI: 1.01-1.61) Association</p> | <p>monounsaturated fat, polyunsaturated fat, cholesterol, vitamin E, magnesium, fiber, glycemic load, diabetes risk factors (alcohol, physical activity, blood pressure, education, parental history of DM), BMI, waist circumference</p> | |
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| | | | | | | | | | | <p>attenuated with inclusion of adiposity in multivariate analysis (BMI & waist circumference).</p> <p>In stratified analysis association only present in lean individuals.</p> <p>Risk approximately the same with total protein and animal protein but absent with vegetable protein.</p> <p>Comment: Range of vegetable protein intake in quartiles: 22-33 g <i>versus</i> range of animal protein intake in quartiles: 35-62 g</p> | | |
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Appendix 3. Evidence tables

Table 16. Evidence table, protein intake and exercise

| Reference | Study design | Population, subject characteristics, | Outcome measures | Intervention/exposure | Time between baseline exposure and outcome assessment | Dietary assessment method | No of subjects analysed | Intervention | Follow-up period, drop-out rate | Results | Confounders adjusted for | Study quality and relevance, Comments A-C |
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| Gaine et al., 2005 (71) USA | Clinical trial | Untrained men (n=3) and women (n=4), 18–25 y | Whole body protein turnover. Substrate oxidation, DEXA, N-balance, fitness | Diet and exercise intervention (6 weeks) Protein 0.8 g/kg BW per day or 10 E% | 4 weeks (pre- and post-training) | Diet records, length not indicated. During the study period, all meals were provided and assistants present | Seven (men and women grouped) | 2 week dietary adjustment period followed by 4 week progressive aerobic exercise training program. Weight maintaining diet with 0.88 g protein/kg BW per day or 11E% | 6 weeks | Post-training: Resting protein oxidation reduced, N-retention improved. Correlation between fitness and N-balance (more positive, when more fit) No changes in body composition, increased REE The observed energy intake was 9,688 kJ and the estimated PAL≈ 1.4 | None | C Small study. Some mentioning about power calculations in discussion in relation to the finding of no statistical significance in change of rate of appearance of leucine (estimate of protein breakdown) and non-oxidative leucine disposal. No non-exercise control group. Maybe some underreporting. No check of completeness of urine collections |

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| Hartman et al., 2005 (72) Canada | Clinical trial | Healthy, young untrained men | Nitrogen flux, protein synthesis (PS), protein breakdown (PB), and net protein balance (NB = PS-PB), muscle strength and body composition | Whole body split resistance training, 12 weeks, 5 d/wk. Diet 15 E% protein. Periods of 5 days with strictly controlled diets (1.2 g/kg BW per day) | 12 weeks. Measurements pre-and post | 3-day diet records at 6 and 11 wks | Eight | 12 weeks whole body resistance training and diet with 1.2 g protein/kg BW | | Muscle strength and LBM increased. N-flux, PS and PB decreased, but net protein balance increased. Increase in N-balance. 7% increase in energy intake | None | B Periods with strictly controlled diet. N-balance only assessed with urine |
| Thalacker-Mercer et al., 2009 (73) UK | Clinical trial | Healthy untrained men and women; 20-35 y, and 60-75 y | Change in m. vastus lateralis myofiber cross-sectional area (CSA) from before-after resistance training (RT). Protein intake in various groups of RT | Self-selected dietary intake and 16 wk Resistance training | | 4-day diet records | 60 (32M, 28F; Non responders, n=16; Moderate resp, n=29; and extreme resp, n=15) | 16 wk, 3-d/wk Resistance training. Three lower body exercises. Habitual protein intake in three clusters: medium and extreme responders, and non-responders | | 60% myofiber hypertrophy in extreme responders. No effect of RT in non- resp. Mean daily intake of total, animal and, vegetable protein, essential amino acids, BCAA, or leucine NS between groups | Age, sex | B Probably substantial underreporting in all 3 clusters: BW of 71-81 kg and reported energy intake of 7.4-8.2 MJ |

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