**Lack of significant seasonal association between serum 25(OH)D concentration, muscle mass and strength in postmenopausal women from the D-FINES longitudinal study.**

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| **Appendix A: Unadjusted associations between serum 25(OH)D concentration, lean mass and muscle strength according to postmenopausal age group** |
|  | **Whole cohort** **(n = 102)** | **Postmenopausal women aged <65 years****(n = 80)** | **Postmenopausal women aged ≥65 years****(n = 22)** |
|  |  **rs (95% CI)** |  ***p*** |  **rs (95% CI)** |  ***p*** |  **rs (95% CI)** |  ***p***  |
| **25(OH)D x Relative appendicular skeletal muscle index Autumn\*** | -.373 (-0.5, -0.2) | **<0.001** | -.395 (-0.6, -0.2) | **<0.001** | -.210 (-0.6, 0.3) | 0.349 |
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| **25(OH)D x Relative appendicular skeletal muscle index Spring\*** | -.335 (-0.5, -0.2) | **0.001** | -.381 (-0.6, -0.2) | **<0.001** | -.013 (-0.4, 04) | 0.954 |
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| **25(OH)D X HGS Summer\*** | .152 (-0.1, 0.4) | 0.127 | .176 (-0.1, 0.4) | 0.119 | .056 (-0.4, 0.5) | 0.804 |
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| **25(OH)D X HGS Autumn\*** | .039 (-0.2, 0.2) | 0.697 | .120 (-0.1, 0.4) | 0.289 | -.333 (-0.7, 0.1) | 0.130 |
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| **25(OH)D X HGS Winter\*** | .141 (-0.1, 0.3) | 0.157 | .186 (-0.1, 0.4) | 0.099 | -.085 (-0.6, 0.3) | 0.707 |
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| **25(OH)D X HGS Spring\*** | .193 (0.1, 0.4) | 0.052 | .227 (0.1, 0.4) | **0.043** | -.064 (-0.6, 0.4) | 0.778 |
| ASM: Appendicular skeletal muscle mass; Relative appendicular skeletal muscle mass is ASM/h2; HGS Handgrip strength.*p* relates to the Spearman Correlation analysis |

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| **Appendix B:** **Unadjusted associations between serum 25(OH)D concentration and muscle strength according to vitamin D status** |
|  | **Sufficient 25(OH)D concentrations** | **Insufficient 25(OH)D concentrations** | **Deficient 25(OH)D concentrations** |
|  | **n** | **rs (95% CI)** | ***p*** | **n** | **rs (95% CI)** | ***p*** | **n** | **rs (95% CI)** | ***p*** |
| **25(OH)D x HGS Summer** | 65 | -.024 (-0.3, 0.2) | 0.848 | 28 | .032 (-0.4, 0.5) | 0.870 | 9 | .167 (0.8, 0.8) | 0.668 |
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| **25(OH)D x HGS Summer** | 47 | .160 (-0.1, 0.5) | 0.282 | 42 | -.038 (-0.4, 0.3) | 0.813 | 13 | -.014 (-0.6, 0.5) | 0.964 |
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| **25(OH)D x HGS Summer** | 26 | .052 (-0.4, 0.5) | 0.799 | 40 | .100 (0.3, 0.5) | 0.540 | 36 | .092 (-0.2, 0.4) | 0.594 |
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| **25(OH)D x HGS Summer** | 31 | .229 (-0.2, 0.6) | 0.215 | 43 | .255 (-0.1, 0.5) | 0.098 | 28 | -.005 (-0.4, 0.4) | 0.982 |
| HGS Handgrip strength.Vitamin D adequacy defined as serum 25(OH)D concentrations ≥50.00 nmol/L, insufficiency defined as 30.00 – 49.99 nmol/L and deficiency defined as ≤29.99 nmol/L.*p* relates to the Spearman Correlation analysis. |