



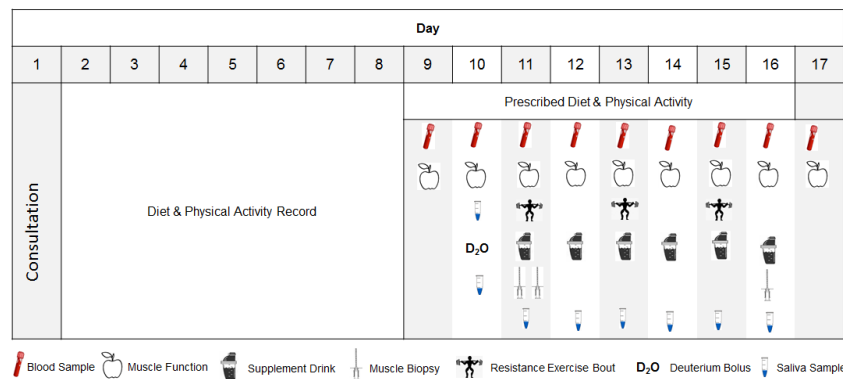
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Statistical Plan

The Effect of Milk-Derived Protein Supplementation on the Recovery of Muscle Function following Resistance Exercise

Research Question or hypothesis:

Ho: The type of protein beverage consumed following resistance exercise training will not affect the temporal recovery of muscle function.



Brief Background: Resistance exercise can induce low-level muscle damage in conjunction with impaired contractile function. Milk-derived proteins contain, or induce, bioactive properties for muscle recovery.

Study Design: A block randomised, crossover design of 3 groups of 8 subjects per group

Participants: 24 young, healthy, resistance exercise trained, males aged 18 - 35 years.

Statistical Analysis:

Independent variables:

TIME [9]

Day 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17

PROTEIN [3]

WPC-80, UL_209, IsoN

Dependent variables

MUSCLE FUNCTION [3]

Maximal voluntary contraction (MVC)

Time to peak tension (TPT)

1-REP max lift (1RM)

MODEL: Mixed model analysis of variance

- Within-subject factor, **TIME (9)**
- Between-subject factor, **PROTEIN (3)**
- Bonferroni corrected post-hoc comparisons

- i. Graded effect sizes for mixed-model (ω^2_p), between-within subject, effects (ω^2, d) reported alongside P-values ($\alpha = 0.05$)
- ii. Violation to normality (Shapiro – Wilk) data will be transformed by rank for analysis
- iii. Violation to homogeneity of variance-covariance matrices (Mauchly's W), e correction factors (Green-House Geisser, Huynh-Feld) will be applied
- iv. Violation to homogeneity of variance for post-hoc analysis (Levene's or Brown-Forsythe Test), Welsch-Satterthwaite corrections will be applied.