



Accelerometer- determined levels of physical activity and sedentary behaviour in older care home residents

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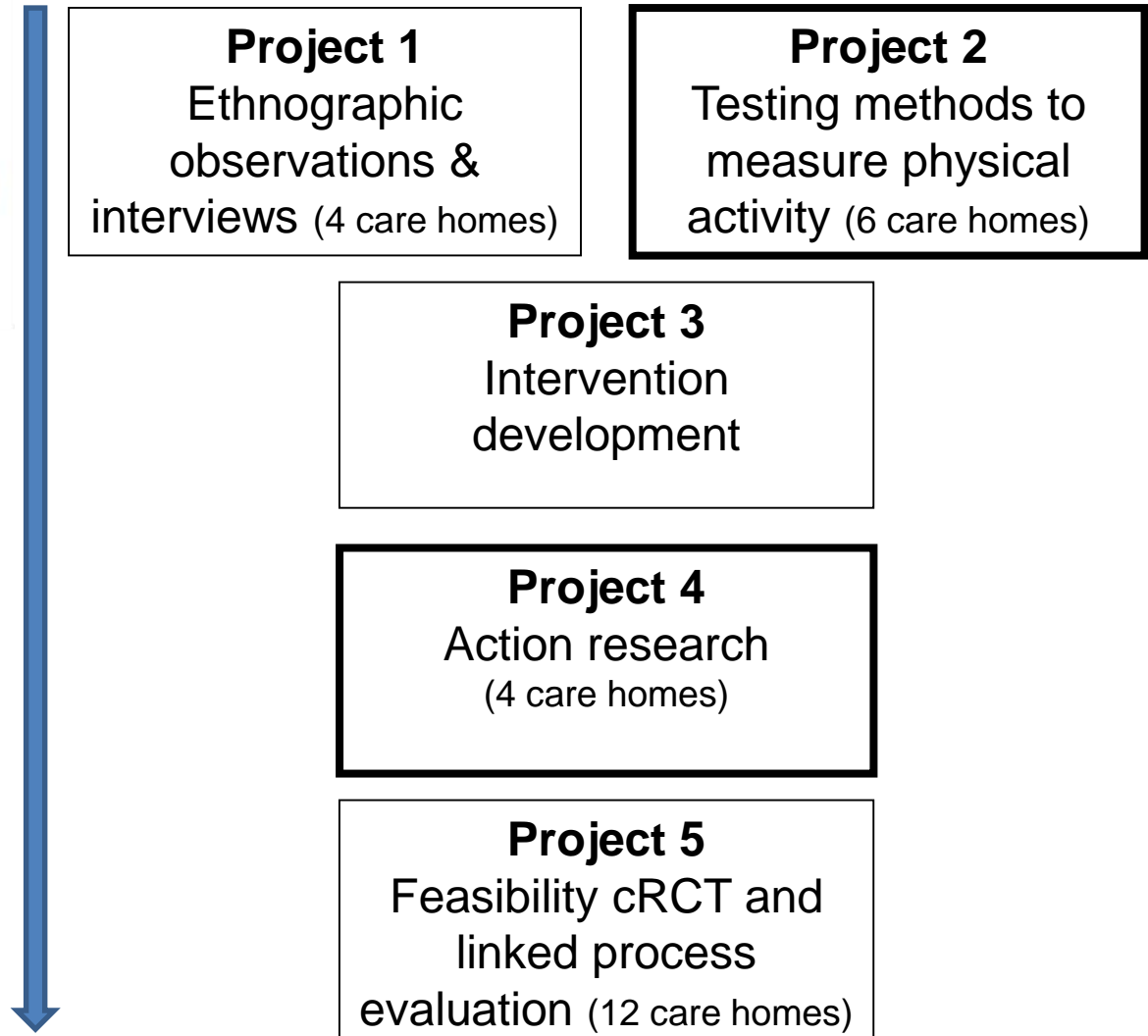


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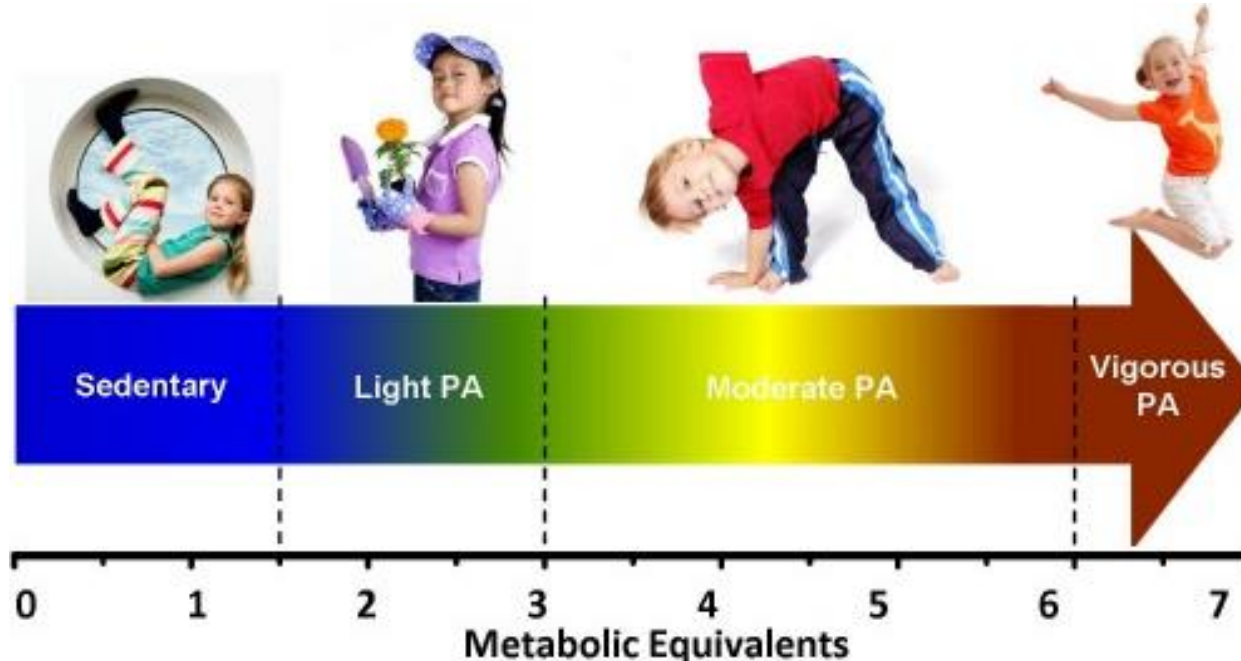
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Introduction

“any bodily movement produced by skeletal muscles that results in energy expenditure” (Caspersen et al., 1985)



“any waking behaviour characterised by low energy expenditure (≤ 1.5 METs) while in a sitting or reclining posture” (Tremblay., 2012)

Introduction

- Number of individuals aged ≥ 85 yrs is expected to double between 2010 and 2035 to 3.5 million (Office for National Statistics, 2011).
- Estimated 1 in 4 older people will spend time in a care home in their last year of life (Forder et al., 2011)
- Beneficial effects of increasing PA and decreasing time spent sedentary

Introduction

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**Physical rehabilitation for older people in long-term care
(Review)**

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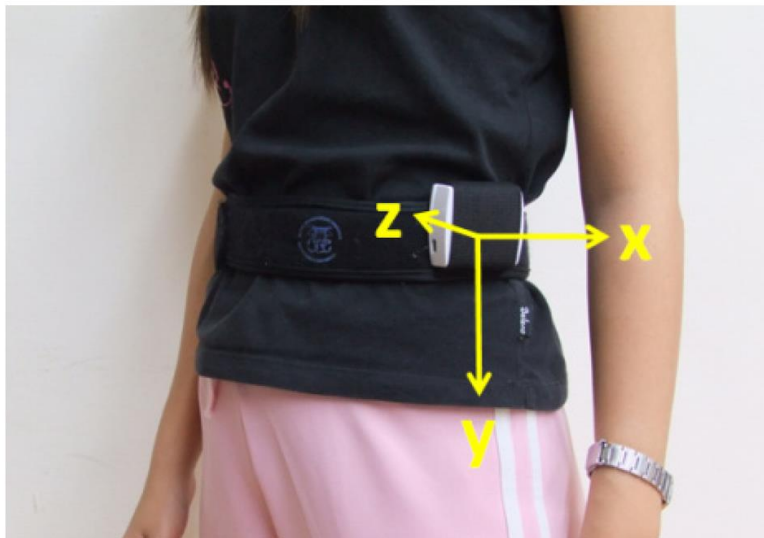


Aim: To describe accelerometer-determined levels of physical activity (PA) and sedentary behaviour (SB) and its associations with personal characteristics of care home residents.

Methods

- Recruitment
- Demographic information
- Functional Ambulation Category (FAC)
- Barthel Index (BI) as a rating of independence
- Physical Activity and Mobility in Residential Care Scale (PAM-RC) as a rating of mobility
- Accelerometers

- 84 care home residents (aged 84 ± 8 yr) were invited to wear an ActiGraph accelerometer on the hip for 7 days.



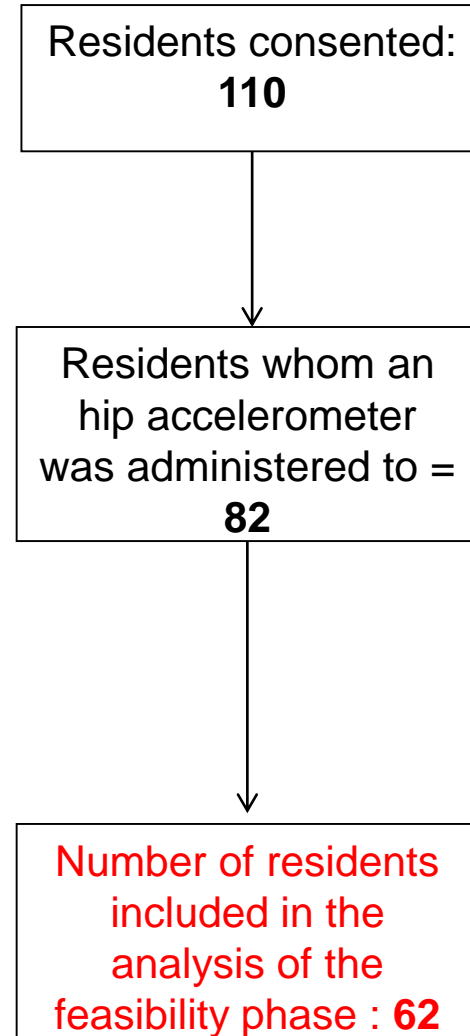


- Raw accelerometer data were reintegrated into 60s epochs and age-specific cut-points were applied.

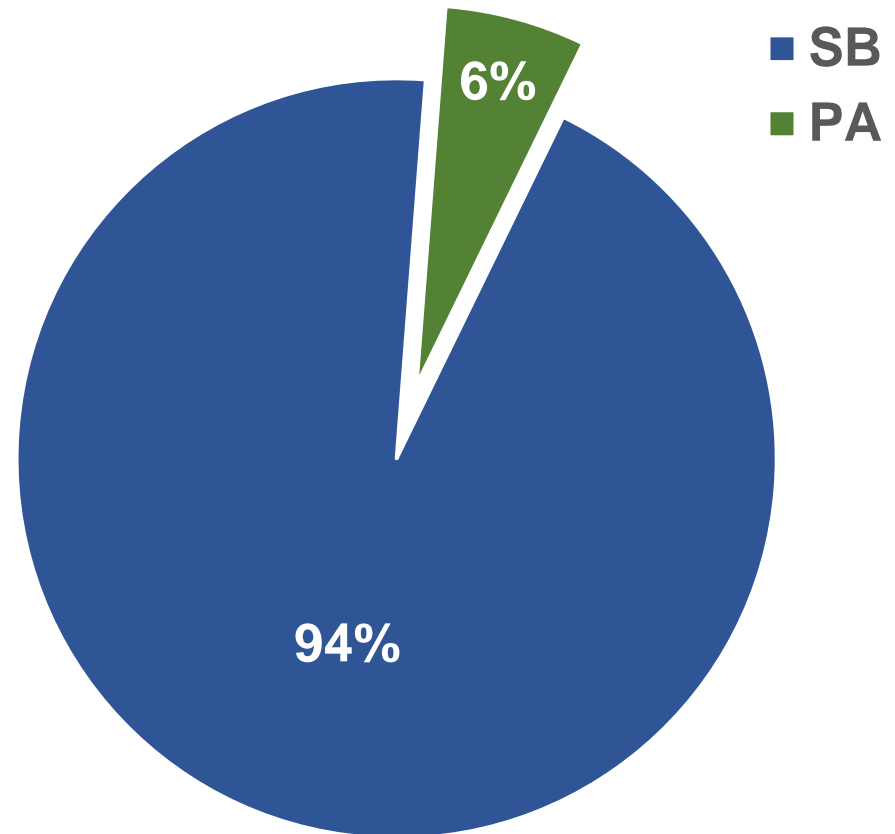
PA classification	Accelerometer counts per minute ⁻¹ (cpm)	Examples of activities
Sedentary	< 100 cpm	Sitting, reclining
Low PA	100-759 cpm	Upper body movements
Light PA	760-2019 cpm	Self care, slow walk
Moderate-vigorous (MV) PA	≥ 2020 cpm	Walking, sit-stand transfers

Results

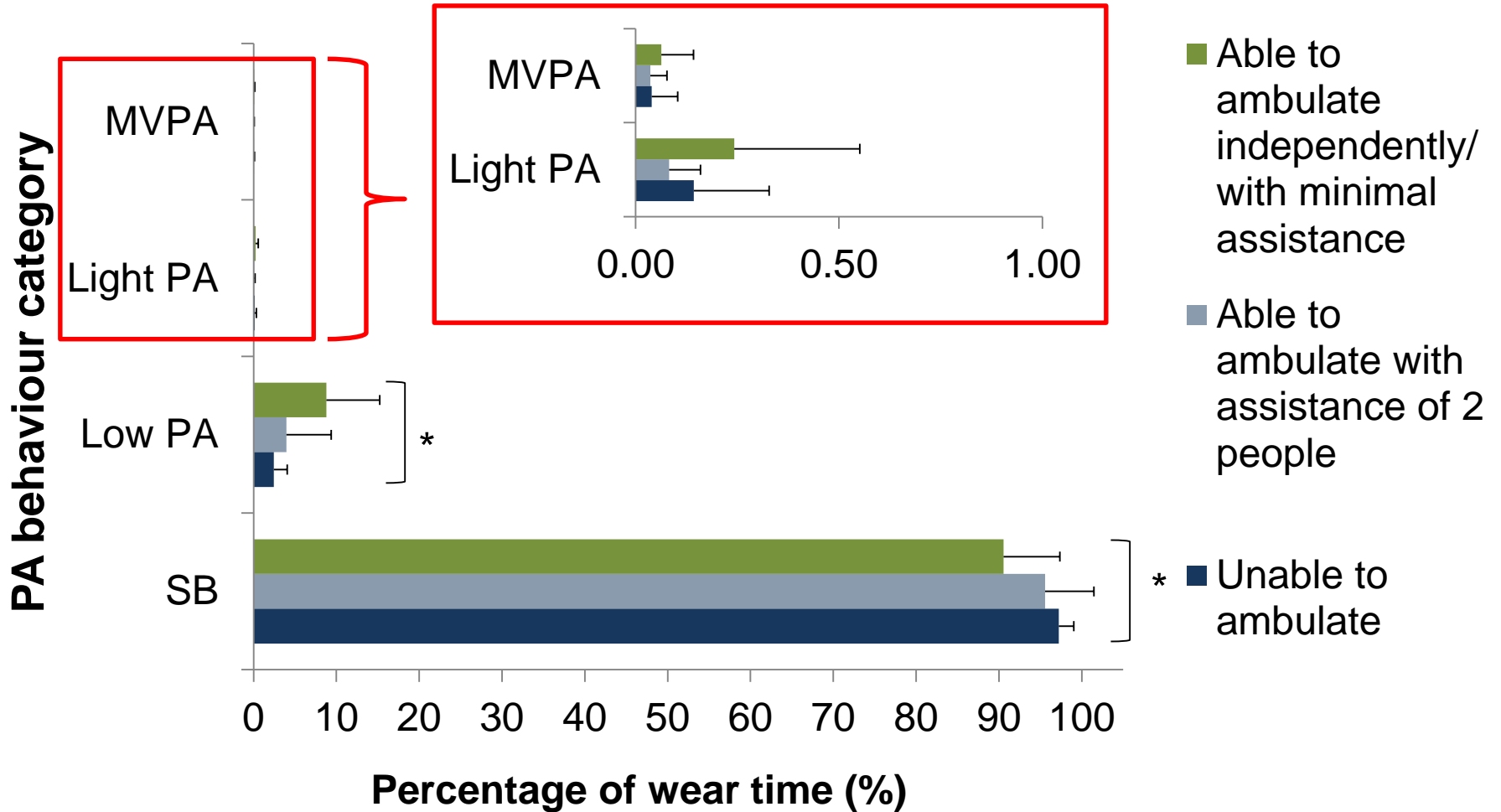
- 62 residents (M: 20, F: 42, aged 85 ± 8 yr) provided valid accelerometer data (≥ 8 hr 25 min on ≥ 2 d).
- Mean wear time was 12 hr 23 min \pm 1 hr 28 min.

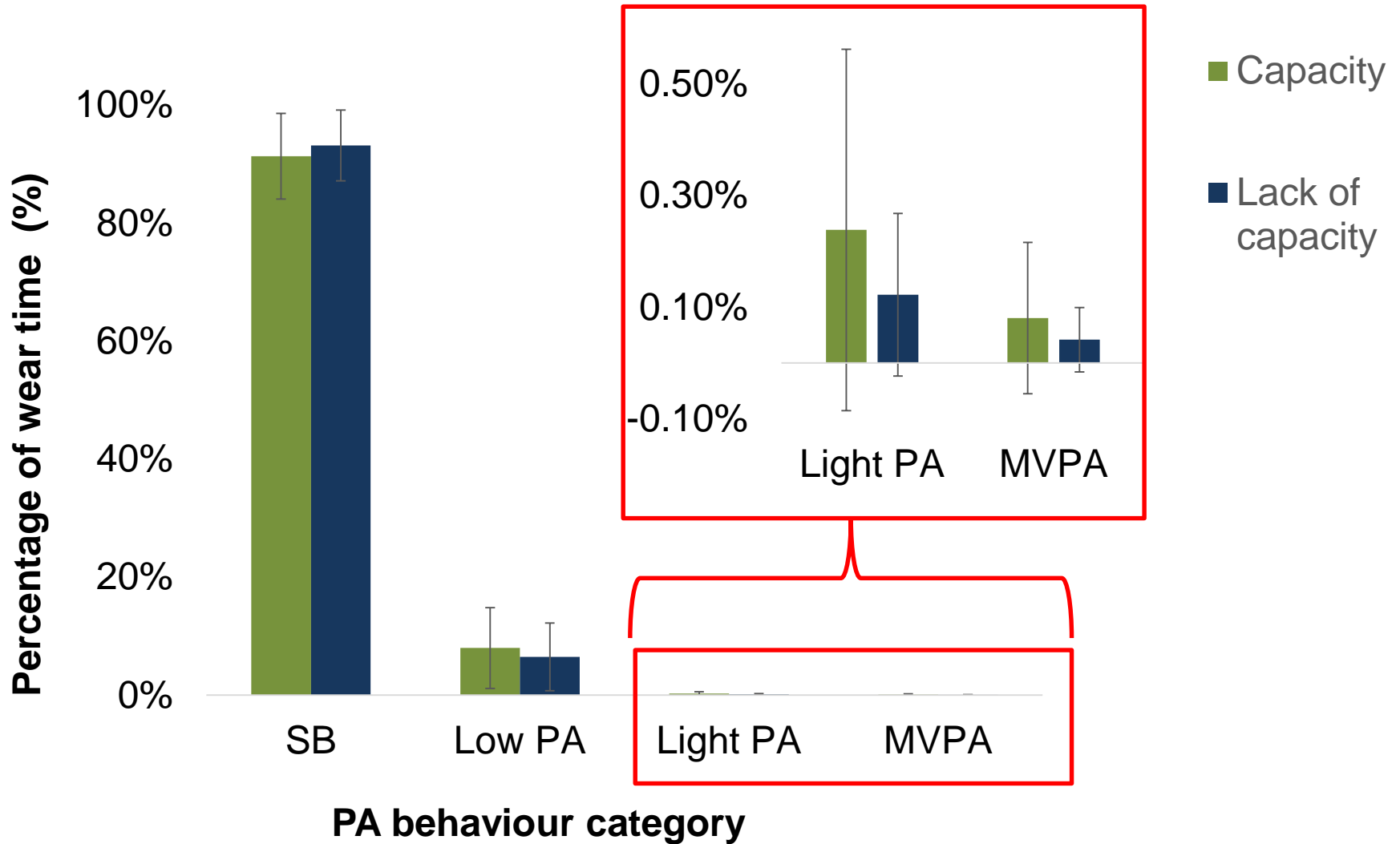


	Mean \pm SD
Sedentary	11 hr 23 min \pm 1 hr 29 min
Low PA	56 \pm 49 min
Light PA	4 \pm 4 min
MVPA	Negligible



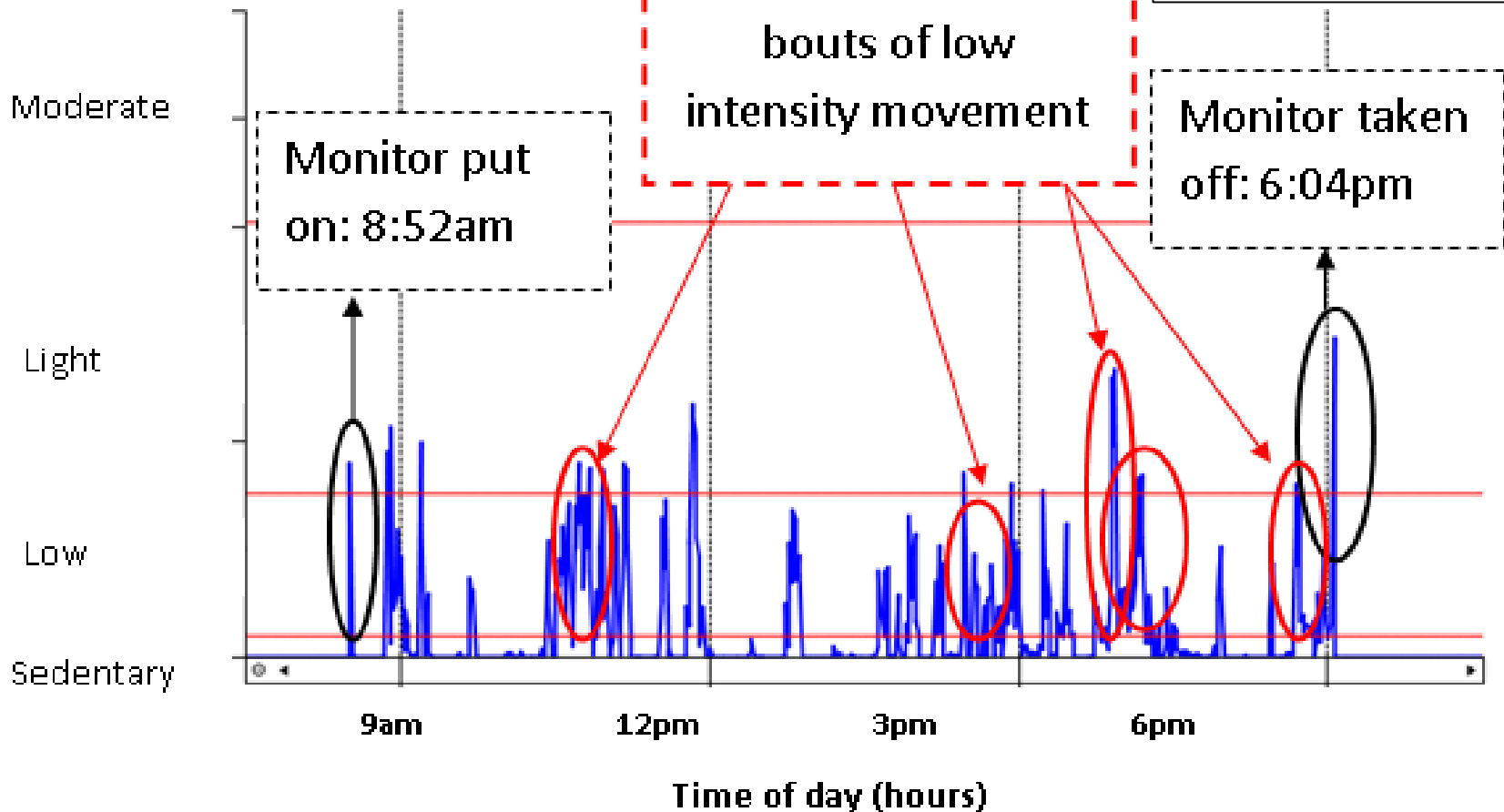
No significant differences were observed according to gender, age group (< 85 yr and \geq 85 yr) or length of time in care home





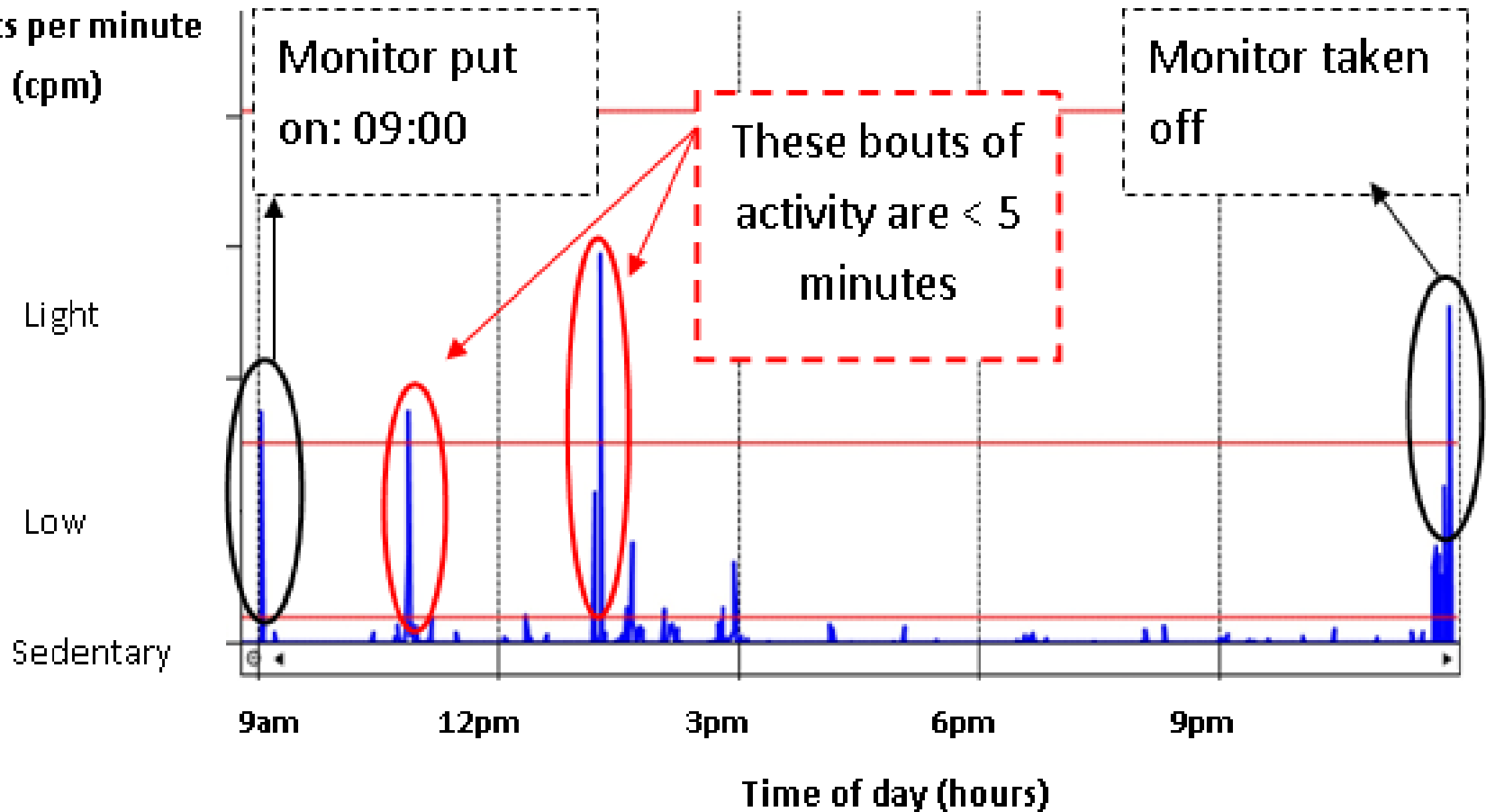
Activity monitor
counts per minute
(cpm)

Male
71 yrs
FAC: High
BI: 14 (independent)



Male, 78 yrs
FAC: Medium
BI: 12 (independent)

Activity monitor
counts per minute
(cpm)



Summary, Concluding remarks and IMPACT

- 34% of the sample accumulated ≥ 30 min of PA daily.
- This suggests there is potential to increase the volume of low and light intensity PA that care home residents engage in.



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ANALYSIS

Recommendations for physical activity in older adults

Older adults find it difficult to meet moderate and vigorous exercise targets. Given that a dose-response exists for physical activity and health benefits, Phillip B Sparling and colleagues argue that a change in message to reduce sedentary time and increase light activities may prove more realistic and pave the way to more intense exercise

Phillip B Sparling *professor*¹, Bethany J Howard *doctoral candidate*², David W Dunstan *professor*^{2,3}, Neville Owen *professor*^{2,4}

- Breaking up long bouts is especially relevant for high levels of SB in this



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Research Article

Independent Associations Between Sedentary Behaviors and Mental, Cognitive, Physical, and Functional Health Among Older Adults in Retirement Communities

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CLINICAL RESEARCH

Prevention and epidemiology

Replacing sitting time with standing or stepping: associations with cardio-metabolic risk biomarkers

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Breaking Up Prolonged Sitting Reduces Postprandial Glucose and Insulin Responses

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and was characterized by light-intensity

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