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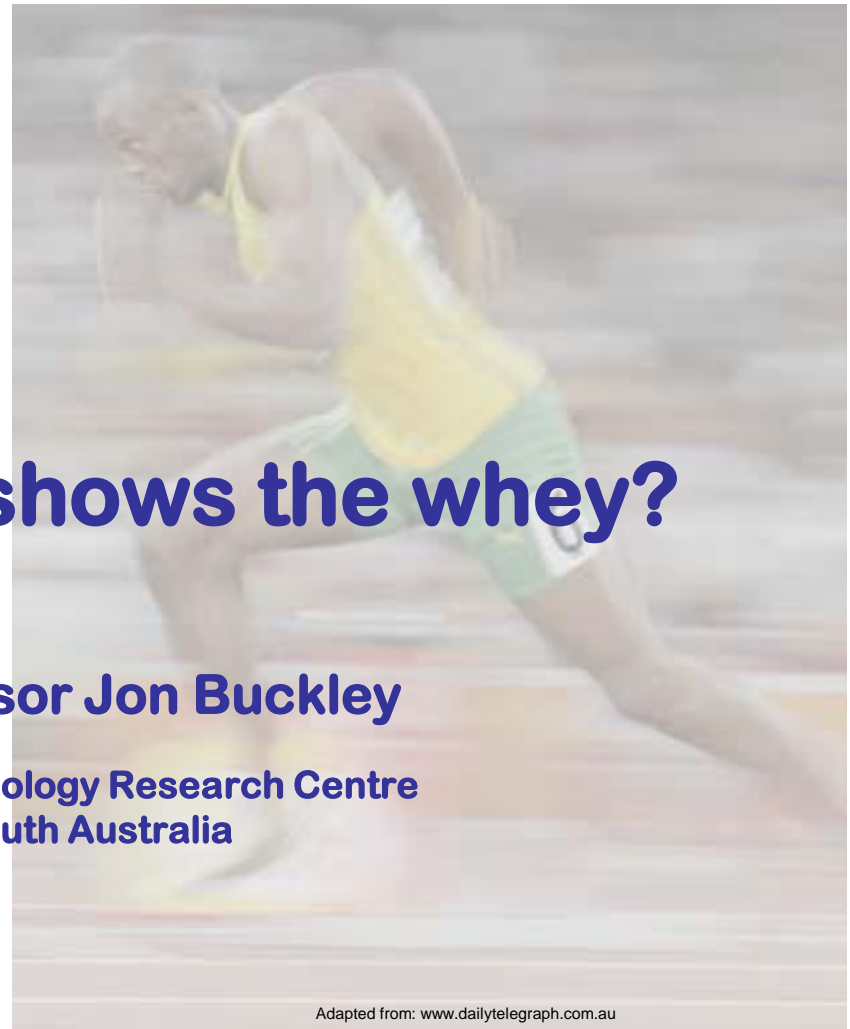
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Fast food – dairy shows the whey?

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Investigating nutrition and exercise strategies for improving health and performance



Global sports nutrition market projected to reach USD\$91.8bn by 2013¹

Whey protein is a major component of sports nutrition supplements



From: www.dairyaustralia.com.au

1. BCC Research - <http://www.bccresearch.com/pressroom/report/code/FOD043A>



Whey protein used to increase muscle mass and strength

Use of whey protein sustainable in this market with limited evidence?



From: www.beijing2008.cn



EFSA recently rejected health claims for whey protein increasing muscle mass and strength ¹

Main reasons given for EFSA decision were:

- use of surrogate measures of mass/strength (eg protein synthesis)
- most studies compared whey with carbohydrate
 - might be a general protein effect
- only 3 small studies compared whey with other protein sources
 - results were conflicting

1. EFSA Panel on Dietetic Products. EFSA Journal 8:1818-1845, 2010.



Cribb et al ¹

Resistance-trained males (~26 yr) consumed usual diet during 10 weeks of resistance training, randomised to 1.5 g/kg/day of:

- whey protein isolate (n=6)
- casein (n=7)

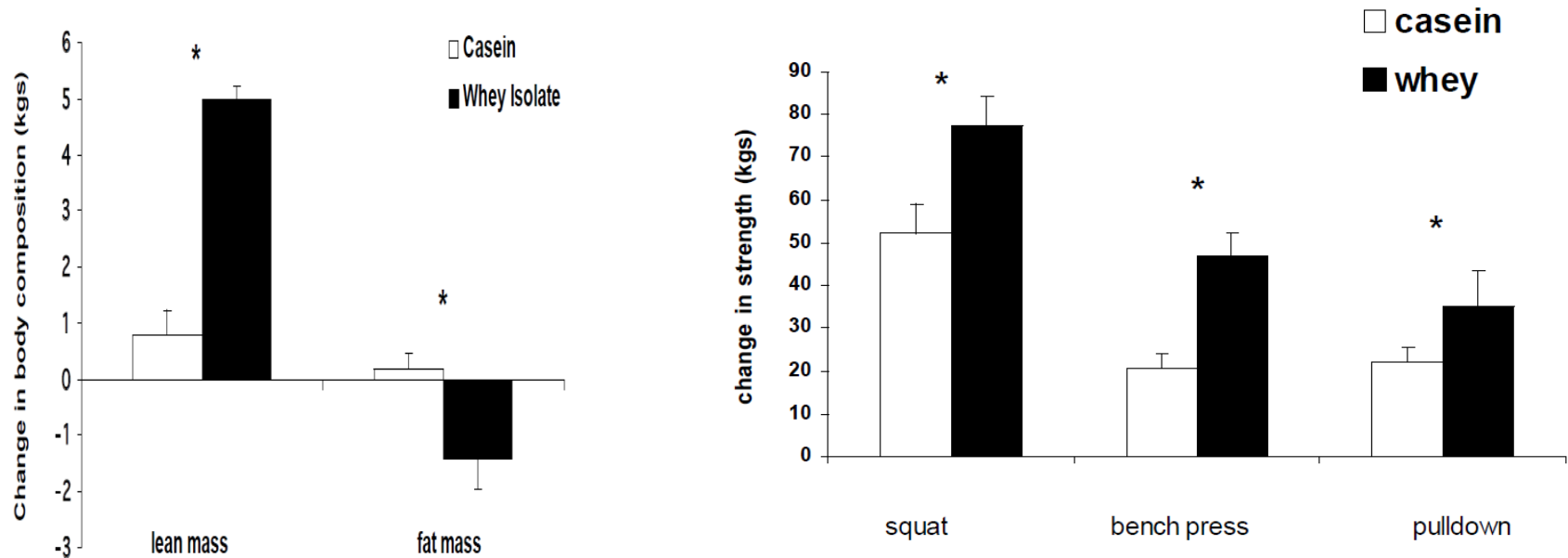


From: www.abc.net.au.

¹ In t J Sport Nutr Exerc Metab 16:494-509, 2006.



Greater increases in lean mass and strength with whey



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Demling and DeSanti ¹

Overweight police officers (28-40 yr) randomised to
12 weeks dietary energy restriction (20% energy):

- + no additional treatment (control)(n=10)
- + resistance training + whey protein (1.5 g/kg/day) (n=14)
- + resistance training + casein (1.5 g/kg/day) (n=14)

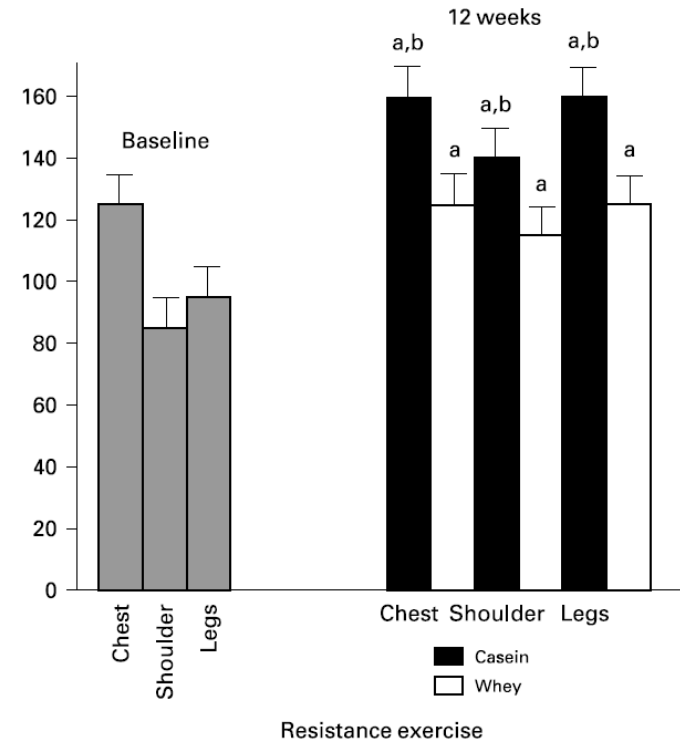
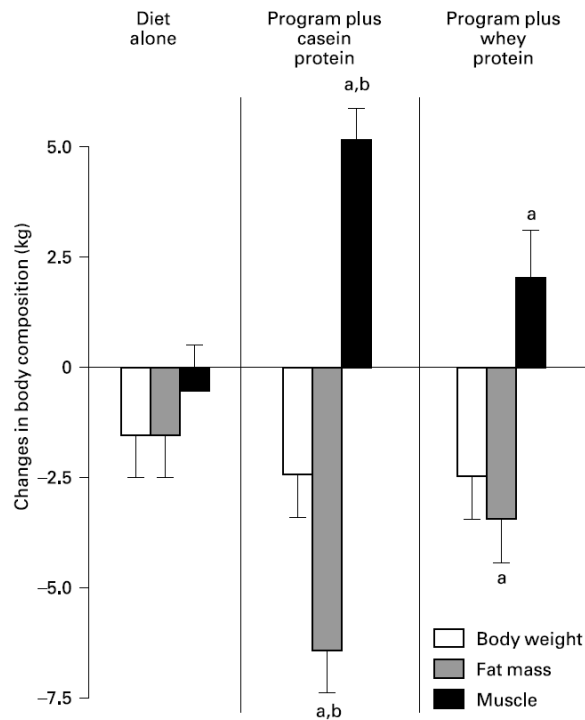


From: www.static.tweentribune.com

¹ Ann Nutr Metab 44:21-29, 2000.



Greater increases in lean (muscle) mass and strength with casein



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Candow et al ¹

Untrained volunteers (18-35 yr)

6 weeks of resistance training

Supplementation with 1.2 g/kg/day of:

- whey protein (n=9; 6 F, 3 M)
- soy protein (n=9; 6 F, 3 M)
- maltodextrin (placebo)(n=9; 6 F, 3 M)



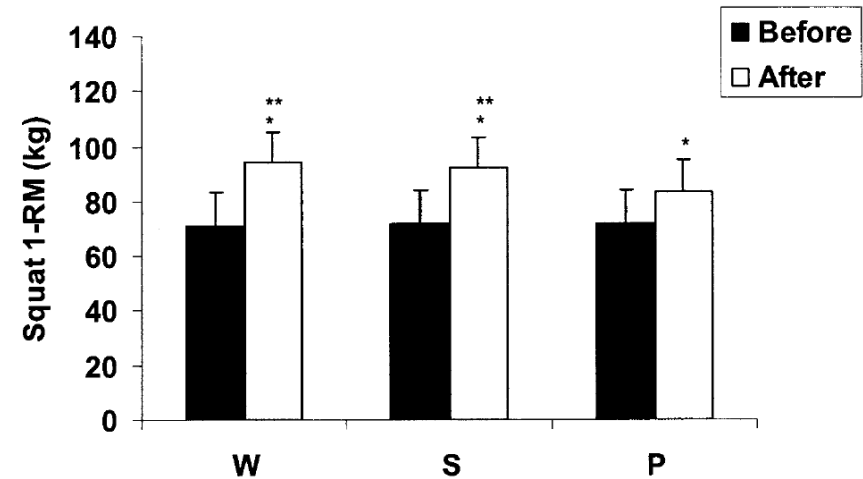
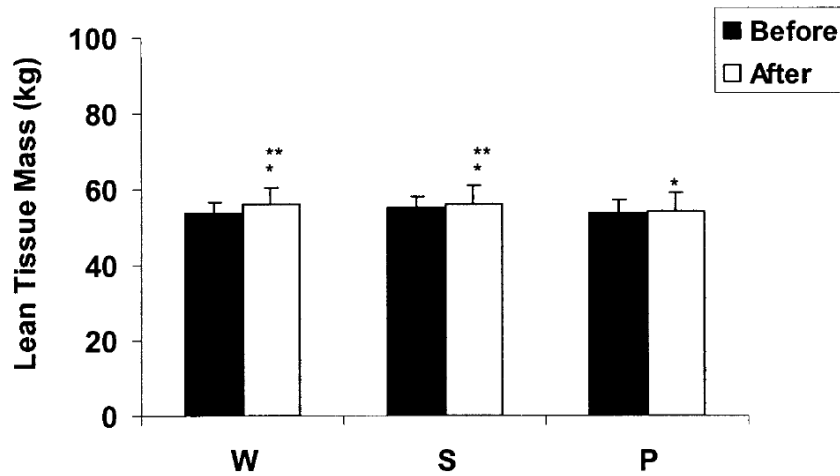
From: www.123rf.com

¹- In t J Sport Nutr Exerc Metab 16:233-244, 2006.



Protein provided greater increases in lean mass and strength compared with maltodextrin

- no difference between protein sources



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More studies are required to assess the effects of whey protein on strength and muscle mass

These studies must:

- be appropriately powered**
- use other protein sources as a comparator**
- use hard endpoints not surrogate markers**



From: www.tiptoptens.com



Whey fraction of bovine colostrum



From: www.sarahness.net



Colostrum - first milk produced after calving

- Rich source of growth factors and nutrients
- Vital for growth and development of the calf



From: dpiw.tas.gov.au



Growth factors potentially beneficial for improving athletic performance



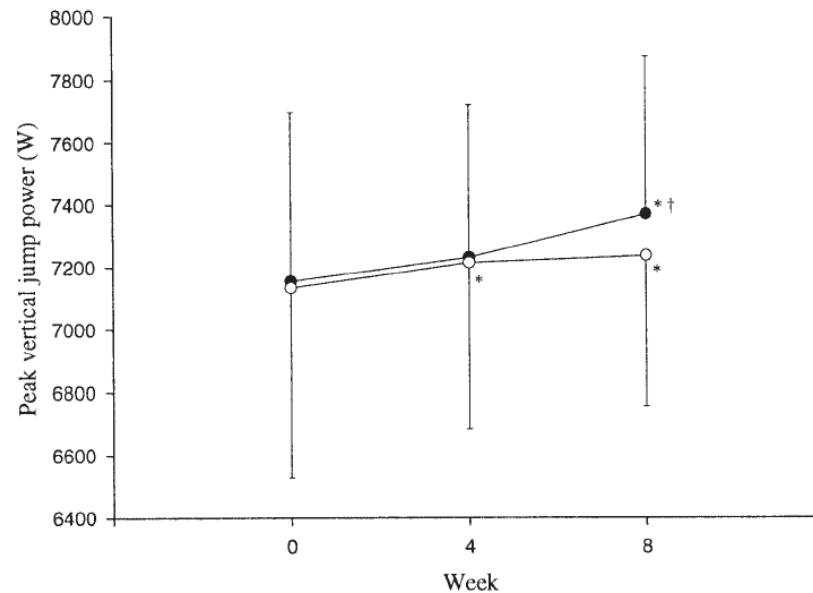
From: www.iaaf.org



Improved peak power

8 weeks of strength/power training

60 g/day of BC (n=26) or WP (n=25)



From: Buckley et al. J Sport Sci 21:577-588, 2003



Colostrum less available than milk



dreamstime.com



Whey growth factor extracts

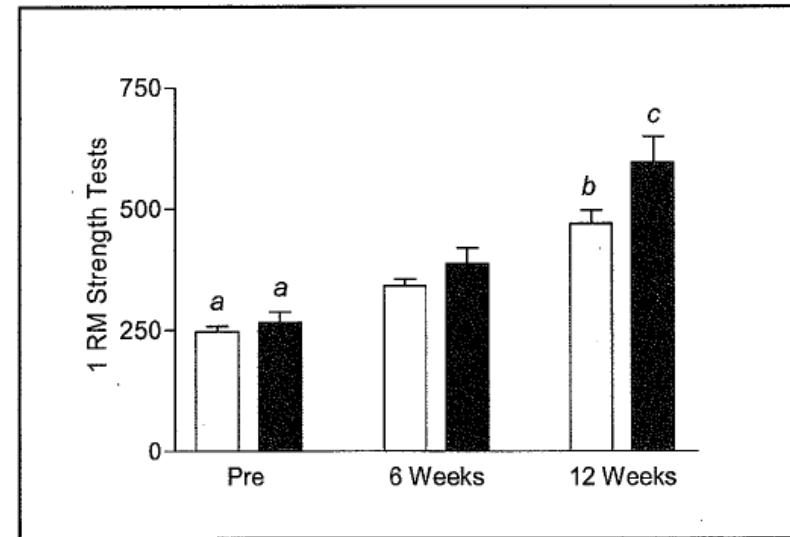


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Crittenden et al¹

- Healthy untrained males (20 yr)
- 12 weeks of resistance training
- Supplemented with:
 - 20 g/day WPI (n=7)
 - 20 g/day WPI + 2 g/day WGFE (n=7)
- Strength increased more with WGFE



¹: Aust J Dairy Technol 64:133-137, 2009.



Whey protein hydrolysates



From: www.sarahness.net



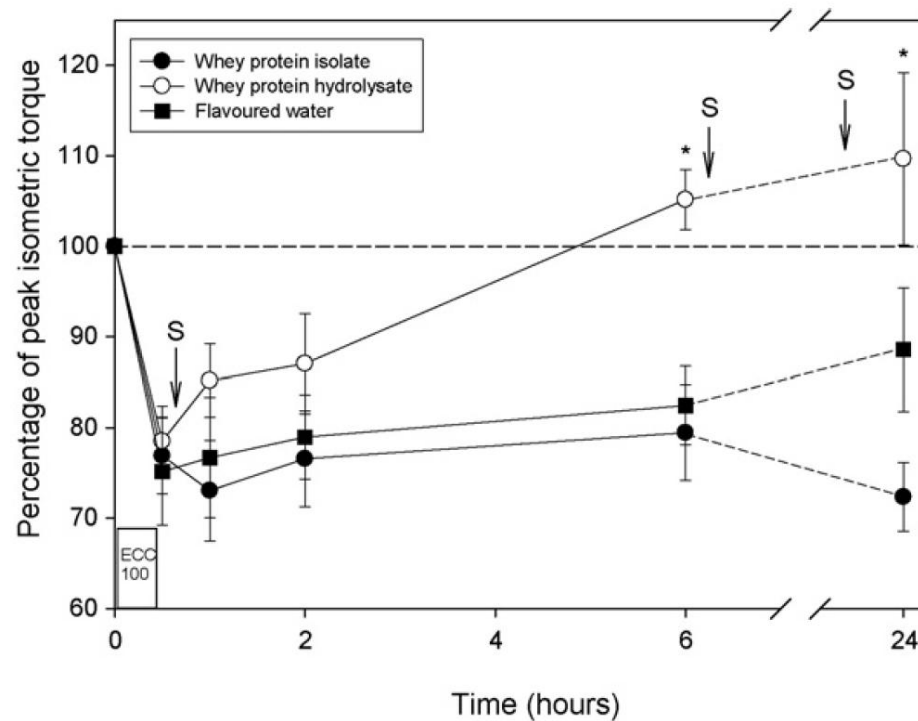
Buckley et al ¹

- Healthy sedentary males (~18-30 yr) performed 100 maximal eccentric contractions of the knee extensors to induce muscle damage.
- Randomised to consume 250 ml of flavoured water containing:
 - nothing (control) (n=14)
 - 25 g of whey protein isolate (WPI) (n=14)
 - 25 g of hydrolysed WPI (Natraboost XR; MG Nutritionals)(n=15)

¹: J Sci Med Sport 13:178-181, 2010.



WPI hydrolysate promoted more rapid recovery of muscle strength



¹: J Sci Med Sport 13:178-181, 2010.



SUMMARY:

Whey has potential to provide a number of benefits for athletes

- additional evidence required for whey protein
- colostrum beneficial, but expensive
 - alternative is to extract growth factors from whey
- hydrolysates provide range of opportunities



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