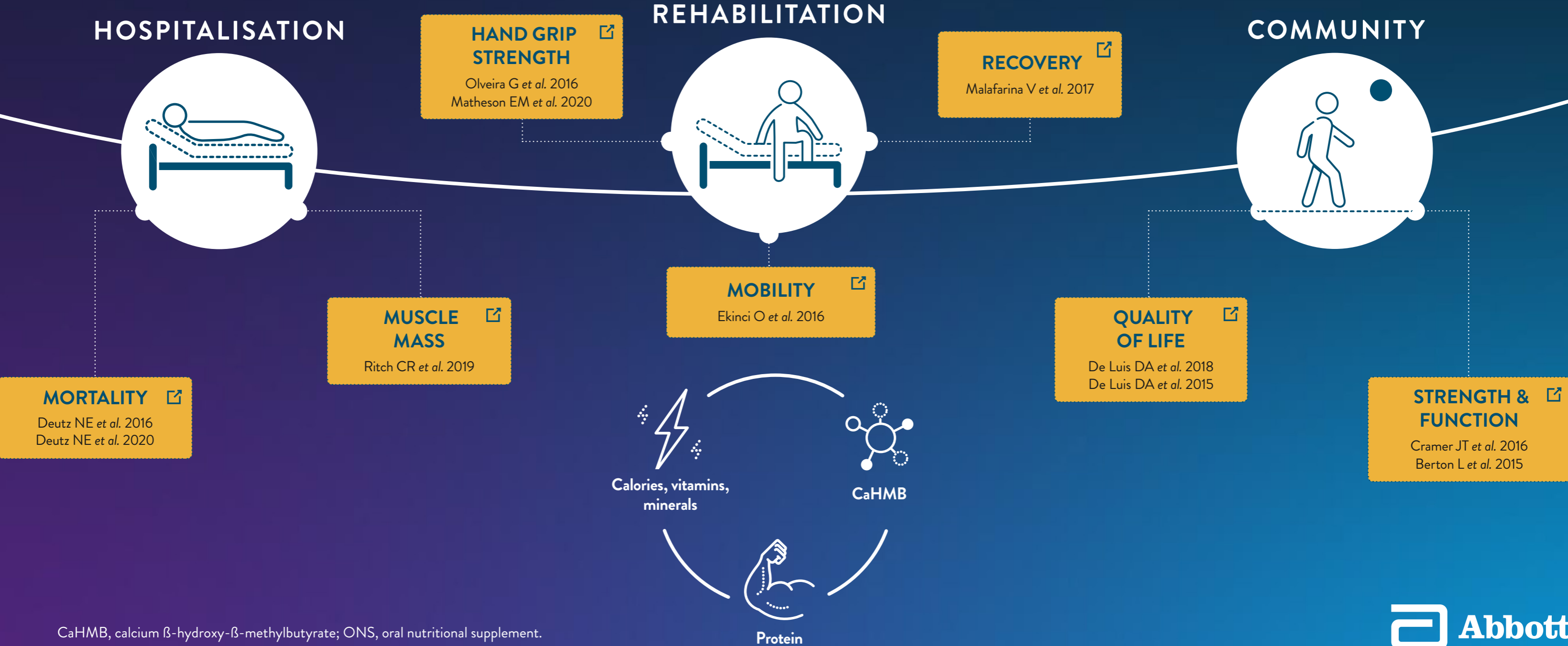


# A SPECIALISED ONS BLEND WITH HIGH PROTEIN, CaHMB AND VITAMIN D

## A REVIEW OF THE CLINICAL EVIDENCE ACROSS THE CONTINUUM OF CARE



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# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HAS BEEN SHOWN TO REDUCE THE RISK OF DEATH BY 50% IN OLDER MALNOURISHED CARDIOPULMONARY PATIENTS\*1

## Study:

- The NOURISH study: a randomised, placebo-controlled, double-blind study
- Designed to evaluate the impact of adding 2 servings per day of a high protein ONS with CaHMB, vitamins and minerals (intervention ONS) to standard of care on mortality and hospital readmission rates, compared with standard of care and a placebo
- Patients were monitored up to 90 days post-discharge

## Participants:

- 622 older ( $\geq 65$  years), malnourished cardiopulmonary patients (with CHF, AMI, COPD or pneumonia) were included in the analysis

## Results:

- 90-day mortality was significantly reduced by 50% in patients receiving the intervention ONS compared with those receiving the placebo and standard of care (4.8% vs 9.7%;  $p = 0.018$ )
- In addition, patients receiving the intervention ONS achieved a better SGA nutritional class after 90 days ( $p = 0.009$ ), increased body weight at day 30 ( $p = 0.035$ ) and serum vitamin D concentration at days 30 and 60 ( $p = 0.035$  and  $p = 0.008$ , respectively), compared to patients receiving the placebo and standard of care

CHF, congestive heart failure; AMI, acute myocardial infarction; COPD, chronic pulmonary obstructive disease; ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.

\*As shown in a randomised control trial to investigate the effects of the intervention ONS on malnourished, cardiopulmonary patients ( $\geq 65$  years) vs placebo. The intervention ONS decreased mortality at 90 days post-hospital discharge, however the study did not observe a significant effect for the primary composite endpoint of non-elective readmission or death.<sup>1</sup>

**Reference:** 1. Deutz NE *et al. Clin Nutr* 2016;35(1):18–26.



# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HAS BEEN SHOWN TO REDUCE THE RISK OF DEATH BY 71% IN OLDER MALNOURISHED PATIENTS WITH COPD\*<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- A post-hoc, sub-group analysis of the NOURISH study
- Examined the effect of a high protein ONS with CaHMB, vitamins and minerals (intervention ONS) on malnourished, hospitalised older adults with COPD and aimed to identify predictors of outcomes

## Participants:

- The COPD subgroup (n = 214) included hospitalised, malnourished (based on Subjective Global Assessment), older adults (≥65 years), with an admission diagnosis of COPD, who received either standard of care plus the intervention ONS (n = 109) or standard of care and a placebo supplement (n = 105)

## Results:

- The 30, 60 and 90-day mortality risk was found to be ~71% lower in the intervention group compared to those who had the placebo and standard of care (1.83%, 2.75%, 2.75% vs. 6.67%, 9.52% and 10.48%,  $p = 0.0395, 0.0193, 0.0113$ , respectively)
- In addition, nutritional supplementation with the intervention ONS resulted in an increase in handgrip strength from discharge to day 30; improved body weight from baseline to discharge, and improved blood nutritional biomarkers concentrations, including haemoglobin and serum concentrations of calcium and vitamin D

CHF, congestive heart failure; AMI, acute myocardial infarction; COPD, chronic pulmonary obstructive disease; ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.

\* As shown in a randomised control trial to investigate the effects of the intervention ONS on malnourished, cardiopulmonary patients (≥65 years) vs placebo. The intervention ONS decreased mortality at 90 days post-hospital discharge, however the study did not observe a significant effect for the primary composite endpoint of non-elective readmission or death.<sup>1</sup>

**Reference:** 1. Deutz NE *et al.* *Clin Nutr* 2020. doi:10.1016/j.clnu.2020.08.031.



# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HELPS PRESERVE MUSCLE IN OLDER CANCER PATIENTS<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- Prospective, randomised, controlled study
- Patients received a high protein ONS with CaHMB, vitamins and minerals (intervention group) or a multivitamin multimineral supplement (control group) twice daily during an 8-week perioperative period
- The study was designed to investigate the effects of intervention ONS on body composition and clinical outcomes following radical cystectomy

## Participants:

- 61 patients (median patient age of 68 years) who had undergone radical cystectomy

## Results:

- Patients in intervention group lost less muscle mass (-3.2 vs -5 cm<sup>2</sup>/m<sup>2</sup>,  $p = 0.01$ ); compared with the control group
- The proportion of patients with sarcopenia did not change in the intervention group but increased 20% in the control group ( $p = 0.01$ )
- The intervention group had a lower rate of overall and major (Clavien grade 3 or greater) complications (48% vs. 67% and 19% vs 25%, respectively) and a lower readmission rate (7% vs 17%) but the differences did not reach statistical significance

ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.

**Reference: 1.** Ritch CR *et al. J Urol* 2019;201(3):470–477.

# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND IS PROVEN TO SUPPORT RECOVERY IN OLDER ADULTS WITH HIP FRACTURES<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- Multi-centre, randomised controlled trial
- Patients either received a standard diet\* plus 2 bottles of a high protein ONS with CaHMB and additional vitamin D or a standard diet only
- The aim was to investigate the effects of the specialised ONS on mobilisation status, body composition, muscle strength, and nutritional markers in older adults who underwent surgery for hip fracture

## Participants:

- 92 older patients ( $\geq 65$  years) with hip fractures admitted to rehabilitation facilities were included in the analysis

## Results:

- Weight and muscle mass were stable in the intervention group, whilst these parameters decreased in the control group, with a significant difference in between groups ( $p < 0.001$  and  $p = 0.02$ , respectively)
- In the intervention group, total protein and vitamin D blood concentrations were significantly higher than in the control group
- A diet enriched with the specialised ONS was associated with functional recovery in older patients with hip fractures undergoing rehabilitation therapy

\*Standard diet provided 1500 kcal, 87.4 g protein a day  
ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.  
**Reference:** 1. Malafarina V *et al. Maturitas* 2017;101:42-50.

# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HELPS IMPROVE HAND GRIP STRENGTH IN BRONCHIECTASIS PATIENTS<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- Single centre, randomised, control study with a parallel treatment design
- The goal was to assess the effect of 12 weeks' pulmonary rehabilitation, or pulmonary rehabilitation plus 1 bottle of a high protein ONS with CaHMB and additional vitamin D on body composition, muscle strength, quality of life and serum biomarkers

## Participants:

- 30 normally nourished, non-cystic-fibrosis bronchiectasis patients (aged from 18 to 80 years)

## Results:

- The addition of the specialised ONS to pulmonary rehabilitation improved body composition, bone mineral density, hand grip strength\* and health related quality of life in bronchiectasis patients

\*Muscle strength was measured by hand dynamometry.  
ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.  
**Reference: 1.** Oliveira G *et al.* *Clin Nutr* 2016;35(5):1015-1022.



# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HAS BEEN SHOWN TO SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE MOBILISATION AFTER ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- Randomised, controlled trial lasting 30 days
- The control group received standard postoperative nutrition\*, while the intervention group received 2 servings a day of a high protein ONS with CaHMB and additional vitamin D between meals in addition to the standard postoperative nutrition plan
- The goal was to investigate the effects of the specialised ONS on mobilisation status following surgery for a hip fracture

## Participants:

- 62 older female patients (≥65 years) with hip fractures admitted to orthopaedic clinics

## Results:

- 81.3% (26/32) of patients in the intervention group were mobile on day 15 and on day 30 compared with 26.7% (8/30) of patients in the control group ( $p = 0.001$ )
- In addition, muscle strength on day 30 was significantly higher in the intervention group than in the control group ( $8.63 \pm 3.83$  Kgf vs.  $6.40 \pm 3.86$  Kgf;  $p = 0.026$ ), and wound-healing period was significantly shorter in the intervention group than the control group ( $14.56 \pm 2.80$  days vs.  $15.93 \pm 2.18$  days;  $p < 0.05$ )

\*Postoperative nutrition provided 1900 kcal and 76 g protein a day  
ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.  
**Reference:** 1. Ekinci O *et al. Nutr Clin Pract* 2016;31(6):829–835.

# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND IMPROVED LEG STRENGTH IN OLDER SARCOPENIC PATIENTS<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- 24-week, randomised, double-blinded, controlled clinical trial
- Designed to evaluate two different high-quality ONS: a standard control ONS (14 g protein; 147 IU vitamin D3) and an intervention ONS (20 g protein; 499 IU vitamin D3; 1.5 g CaHMB), twice daily

## Participants:

- 330 older patients (≥65 years) with malnutrition and sarcopenia

## Results:

- Both ONS improved strength outcomes in these patients, showing nutritional support is effective in these patients
- In addition, in those with mild-moderate sarcopenia, consumption of the intervention ONS significantly improved leg muscle strength and quality\* compared with the standard control ONS at 12 weeks ( $p = 0.032$ )

\*Muscle quality was calculated as leg strength expressed relative to the muscle mass.  
ONS, oral nutritional supplement(s); CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.  
**Reference: 1.** Cramer JT et al. *J Am Med Dir Assoc* 2016;17(11):1044-1055.





# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HELPS IMPROVE STRENGTH AND PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE IN HEALTHY OLDER ADULTS<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- A parallel-group, randomised, controlled, open-label trial
- The aim was to evaluate whether 1 serving of a high protein ONS with CaHMB and additional vitamin D daily could improve physical performance and muscle strength for 8 weeks

## Participants:

- 80 healthy older female patients ( $\geq 65$  years) who regularly attended a twice-weekly mild fitness programme

## Results:

- Consumption of the specialised ONS led to significant improvements in hand grip endurance activities ( $\Delta = 21.41 \pm 16.28$  s;  $p = 0.02$ ) and measures of strength ( $\Delta = 9.74 \pm 3.90$  Nm;  $p = 0.02$ ) from baseline

ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.  
**Reference:** 1. Berton L, et al. *PLoS One* 2015;10(11):e0141757.



# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HAS BEEN SHOWN TO **IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE** AND HAND GRIP STRENGTH IN OLDER COMMUNITY DWELLING PATIENTS<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- Open-label, 12-week study
- The aim was to study the effect of 2 bottles per day of a high protein ONS with CaHMB and additional vitamin D on various parameters, including strength and quality of life in older patients vs. baseline

## Participants:

- 35 older patients ( $\geq 65$  years) with recent weight loss ( $>5\%$  in the previous 3 months)

## Results:

- All patients had significant improvements in hand grip strength ( $p < 0.05$ )
- Patients who experienced  $>3.4\%$  weight gain had significant improvements in the physical and general health domains of the SF-36 quality of life score
- All patients significantly increased their consumption of calories, carbohydrates, protein, fat and vitamin D from baseline

SF-36, short form-36; ONS, oral nutritional supplements; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.

**Reference: 1.** De Luis DA *et al.* *Nutr Hosp* 2015;32(1):202–207.



# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND HELPS IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OLDER MALNOURISHED PATIENTS<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- Observational, prospective, 12-week, open-label, multicentre study
- The aim was to evaluate the effectiveness of twice daily consumption of a high protein ONS with CaHMB and additional vitamin D on nutritional status, activities of daily living and quality of life (QoL) in older malnourished patients

## Participants:

- 235 older patients (≥65 years) who were undernourished or at nutritional risk (Nutrition Risk Score ≥3) under usual clinical practice

## Results:

- Administration of the specialised ONS led to significant improvements in activities of daily living (independence) and QoL, as shown by a significant ( $p < 0.001$ ) improvement in Katz index (mean change = 0.3; SD: 1.4) and EQ-5D scoring (mean change = 0.5; SD: 1.9), respectively, and compared to baseline
- In addition, body weight, body mass index (BMI) and nutritional status were significantly improved by the end of study

EQ-5D, EuroQol- 5 Dimension; ONS, oral nutritional supplement; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate.

Reference: 1. De Luis DA et al. *Eur Geriatr Med* 2018;9(6):809–817.



# ABBOTT'S SPECIALISED ONS BLEND IMPROVES HAND GRIP STRENGTH IN CARDIOPULMONARY PATIENTS<sup>1</sup>

## Study:

- A post-hoc analysis of the NOURISH study
- Patients received standard of care plus a high protein ONS with CaHMB, vitamins and minerals (intervention group) or a placebo supplement (control group), aimed at 2 servings/day
- The goal was to examine the effect of the intervention ONS on hand grip strength (HGS)\* during hospitalisation and up to 90 days after discharge

## Participants:

- 652 older patients (≥65 years) with malnutrition, hospitalised for cardiovascular and pulmonary events

## Results:

- Patients in the intervention group during hospitalisation and up to 90 days post-discharge had significant improvements in HGS vs the control group (Least Squares Means ± Standard Error:  $23.25 \pm 0.25$  vs  $22.63 \pm 0.25$ ,  $p = 0.043$ )
- At day 90, there was a significant positive association between HGS and nutritional status. Of those patients with increased HGS from discharge, 49% had improved nutritional status over 31% with unchanged or decreased HGS ( $p = 0.003$ )

\*Muscle strength was measured by hand dynamometry.

ONS, oral nutritional supplements; CaHMB, calcium  $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\beta$ -methylbutyrate; HGS, hand grip strength.

Reference: 1. Matheson EM et al. *Clin Nutr* 2020. doi:10.1016/j.clnu.2020.08.035.

