

Development of methods of population's physical training by using various types of fitness based on body composition's accounting

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ABSTRACT

Purpose: bioimpedance analysis of body composition for the different age groups of population in order to choose an individual program of physical exercise. Materials and methods: Research was done in Plekhanov Russian University of Economics (Russia, Moscow) using body composition analyzer «InBody 720» and functional diagnostics «Esteck System Complex». Research takes into account physical indicators of 359 females and 460 males from 18 to 74 years old who do not practice any physical activities or do it occasionally. Results: The study identified substantial increase in fat component of women's body in a period of 29-34 years old-39,6%, in 46-55 years old it is critically increasing up to 51,2%. Females start feeling muscle weakness in period of 35-45 years old. In males group dynamic of fat component is on an ordinary level and even lower in a young age (18-28)-10,3%, 29-34 years old-18%, 35-45 years old-21,1%, 56-74 years old-24,4%. Most of the participants have satisfactory functional condition-70-90 points (max. 100). However, a low reaction level on an ordinary physical exertion was identified, as well as a poor level of reserved capacities of cardio-vascular and respiratory systems. Conclusion: To plan a fitness program it is necessary to consider such characteristics as age, sex, individual index of body composition and functional condition, individual preferences in types of physical exercises, indexes of hearth rate and blood pressure. While planning fitness training, it is necessary to take into account proportion between fat component and muscular component («fitness-points»), balance of energy. **Keywords:** Bioimpedance analysis; Functional diagnostics; Fitness program; Components of body composition; Population's age groups.

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INTRODUCTION

Researches of human body mass have gained high importance in recent years. Results of numerous studies prove that body composition has a significant correlation with coefficient of a physical performance of a human, with his adaptation to ambient conditions, and even with his professional and sport activities (Martirosov et al., 2006; Nandalal Singn et al., 2011; Magnani Branco et al., 2015). Objective assessment of body composition allows to control human's state of health and evaluate physical condition of population (Nikolaev et al., 2009; Nikbakht et al., 2012; Jindo et al., 2016).

Bioimpedance analysis allows to evaluate efficiency and correct the training program of an athlete, predict changes in physical performance as a result of peak loads in contest season or forced decrease of physical activity after injuries and diseases. (Martirosov et al., 2006; Shevko, 2007).

Bioimpedance analysis plays a significant role in cardiovascular system and obesity diagnostics. Actually, overweight and obesity are regarded as a global problem of modern age. The reasons for this are reduction of physical activity by representatives of each age group, increasing amount of hereditary diseases, lower quality nutrition (Martins et al., 2011). Obesity is one of the most frequent chronic illness (Drenowatz, 2016; Parsons et al., 2013) and it pose a threat due to higher risk of co-existing diseases, which result in early loss of working capacity and high death rate (Vysotska et al., 2016; Krapivina, 2005; Pop, 2016). Researchers mention that 40-60% of adult population have muscle-skeleton disorder, 40% have elevated blood pressure, 25-50% of Russian population have overweight problems. Study of body composition is as relevant as ever in relation to overweight of 30-50% Russians of the first and the second middle age periods (Romanenko, 2013). These values stand at 12-15% among students (Bogdanova, 2016).

This issue has been highlighted in Government Decree N 1101-p, dated 7 Aug. 2009, «Strategy of development of physical culture and sport in Russian Federation on a period up to 2020». Government Decree highlights totality of problems in sphere of physical culture and sport. The first problem is decline of health, physical development and physical training of population. About 60% of students have health problems. It was identified in report of the Ministry of Health of Russia in 2018 that more than 65% of students have minor pathologies.

Despite the development of modern fitness technologies and wide variety of fitness programs, most of them do not based on deep understanding of biochemical mechanisms in training of population from different age groups. Furthermore, fitness programs do not consider individual characteristics of athletes, which is why they are less effective. Therefore, the most relevant methods are those that can define initial physical and functional conditions of population of different age groups. For these reasons, hardware diagnostics methods play a great role in fitness programs planning, controlling the health state of the population. They provide an opportunity to study indexes of body composition and to enhance level of physical activity.

The goal of research is a bioimpedance analysis of body composition of different age groups of the population for choosing most suitable training programs.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Participants

359 females and 460 males from 18 to 74 years old who do not practice physical activities or do it occasionally take part in the study. Participants were divided into 5 groups by Markosyan's classification (1969):18-28

years old – a youth age, 29-34 years old – the first middle age period, 35-55 years old –the second middle age period, 56-74 years old – an elderly age.

Organization of the study

Research was done in Plekhanov Russian University of Economics (Russia, Moscow) using body composition analyser «InBody 720» and functional diagnostics «Esteck System Complex».

Statistical analysis

For study validity, the data was processed by methods of mathematical statistics (Ivanov, 1990), by using the definition of statistical significance of mean group averages (simple arithmetic mean, standard deviation of the mean, standard error of the mean). Statistical processing of the results was done by standard software package Microsoft Excel 2007.

RESULTS

The survey reveals substantial increase of female`s fat component in the first middle age period – 39,6%, in 35-45 years old – 29,6%, in 46-55 years old it is critically increased up to 51,2%, in 56-74 years old – 36,1%. In addition, a big difference in fat component (%) of females in different age periods was identified. (Figure 1).

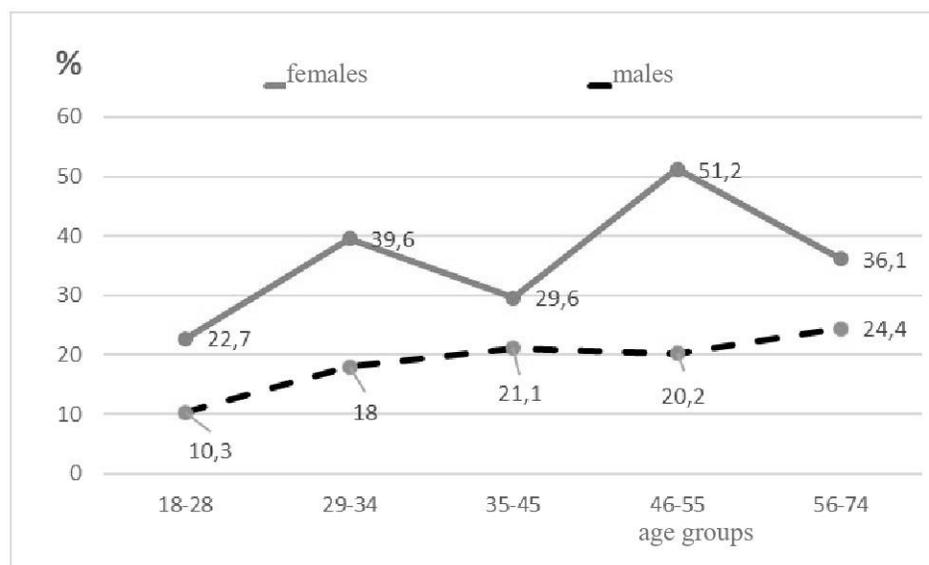


Figure 1. Fat component of males and females of different age groups.

In the first middle age period pre-obesity (39,6%) was identified, in the second middle age period – obesity.

At the same time, male groups show lack of fat in 18-28 years old and 29-34 years old. Fat component index is on an ordinary value in other age groups. (Figure 1).

Differences in amount of extracellular water of females of different age groups (table 1) were identified, in other age groups this index is within normal limits, but it was higher than norm in the female group of 56-74 years old. By examination of «fitness points», was identified that strength and muscular component are decreasing with aging while fat component is increasing (Table 1).

Table 1. Body composition of females of different ages

Age Indicators	18 – 28 years old (n=96)	29 – 34 years old (n=75)	35 – 45 years old (n=63)	46 – 55 years old (n=70)	56 – 74 years old (n=55)
Height (cm)	165.2±6.1	164±4.9	160.6±7	160±7.5	155.2±7.4
Weight (kg)	59.6±8.4	72.3±5.4	74.3±8.1	86.7±6.7	78.2±4.4
Mass of skeletal muscles (kg)	25.3±7.8	24.1±6.5	23.6±7	20.1±4.3	19.2±7.8
Fat-free mass (kg)	45.9±1.6	43.6±2	43.3±1.9	42.3±2.1	50.1±2.4
Fat mass (kg)	13.7±5.5	28.7±5.8	31±6.5	44.4±7.2	28.2±7.3
Body fat mass (%)	22.7±7.2	39.6±7.5	29.6±8.2	51.2±5.2	36.1±4.9
Visceral fat (cm ²)	81±10.5	82±12.1	86±10.1	103±9.1	104±11.9
Body mass ratio (kg/m ²)	22.5±3.1	26.8±3.3	28.2±4.1	33.8±5.3	33±8.9
Cellular water (l) (norm: 17-20,4 liters)	18.6±0.75	22.2±0.19	21.4±0.5	21.5±0.9	20.4±0.83
Extracellular water (l) (norm: 10,4-12,8 liters)	12.6±0.3	11.9±0.5	12±0.42	11.8±0.6	18±0.5
Total water content (l)	33.6±1.3	31±1.14	32.4±2.1	32±1.4	38.4±1.7
«Fitness-points» (correlation between fat and muscular components; 70-90 points – norm, less than 70-muscular weakness)	79.7±6.7	71.6±8.7	63.1±1.5	59.2±6.5	47.3±3.1

Bioimpedance survey shows (Table 2) that muscular component of males dominates in structure of body composition components in every age group. Besides that, in male groups body mass index grows depending on the age, but less intensive than in female groups, in a young age index amounted to 25,3 kg/m², in elderly age-27,69 kg/m².

Integral assessment of functional state is within normal limits in male and female in all age groups (70-90 points–satisfactory condition, 90-100 points–perfect condition). In male group of 35-45 and 46-55 years old value of functional conditions (70,4 points) is lower in comparison with elderly group of males and females (72,9-76,3 points).

Heart rate of young people (18-28 years old) accounts for 85,5-93,1 beat per minute (males and females), this is the highest mark of all age groups (73,0-79,2 bpm in middle age and elderly age groups).

Table 2. Body composition of males of different ages

Age	18 – 28	29 – 34	35 – 45	46 – 55	56 – 74
Indicators	years old (n=217)	years old (n=62)	years old (n=62)	years old (n=64)	years old (n=55)
Height (cm)	175.2±8.8	175.3±6.7	174.9±7.8	172.9±8.4	171±5.5
Weight (kg)	77.9±7.6	78.3±6.1	77.4±5.1	75.7±5.7	74.8±5.6
Mass of skeletal muscles (kg)	35.7±5.7	36.1±3.1	36.3±4.3	35.4±4.7	33.3±3.7
Fat-free mass (kg)	62.5±9.3	63.9±7.5	64.1±7.5	62.7±8.1	60±9.3
Fat mass (kg)	7.5±5.1	14.4±6.3	17.8±8.7	17.5±10.3	19.8±7.7
Body fat mass (%)	10.3±5.7	18±6.9	21.1±8.4	20.8±8.3	24.4±5.4
Visceral fat (cm ²)	80±7.5	90.1 ±10	93.1 ±8.1	91±10	93.2±8.9
Body mass ratio (kg/m ²)	25.3±3.1	25.5±2.6	25.2±3.5	25.3±4.7	27±3.9
Cellular water (l)	28.9±2.2	29±2.3	29.1±2.3	28±2.1	27.7±3
Extracellular water (l)	16.7±1.3	17.3±2	17.4±2.1	17.4±2.3	17.9±2.4
Total water content (l)	45.8±9.4	46.8±5.5	47.1 ±5.5	46.2±6.1	43.1±5.1
«Fitness-points» (correlation between fat and muscular components, 70-90 points – norm, less than 70-muscular weakness)	82.3±9.1	80.5±6.1	79.3±5.8	79.6±7.4	74.6±6.6

DISCUSSION

Studies show that significant increase in fat component of the body appears in the first middle age period (29-34 years old), this is the most beneficial period of metabolic processes. That is why study of body composition is important even in a youth and first middle age period. (Zhou, 2019; Georgesen, 2014; Suadicani et al.,2005).

Researches in sphere of sport and recreation conducted by Department of Culture, Media and Sport in England involve a questionnaire for adults and young people (92000interview). The survey has identified the most popular athletic disciplines for males and females: swimming, recreative fitness and cycling. According to these facts, world academic community started reforming the fitness programs, making them more effective by considering components of body composition (Roy et al., 2017; Ortega et al., 2015; Hoyer et al., 2014; Gibbs et al., 2012; Schumann et al., 2002).

CONCLUSION

To plan a fitness program it is necessary to consider such characteristics as age, sex, individual index of body composition and functional condition, individual preferences in types of physical exercises, indexes of hearth rate and blood pressure. While planning fitness training, it is necessary to take into account a proportion between fat component and muscular component («fitness-points»), balance of energy. Moreover, it is necessary to make a list of preferable food, calculate the necessary number of calories per day for each athlete.

Females at the age of 29-34 have normal amount of «fitness-points», 35-74 years old females –below normal. The study reveals substantial increase of female`s fat component in first the middle age period – 39,6%, in 46-55 years old it`s critically increases up to 51,2%. The volume of extracellular water remains at the same level in all female age groups. High values of female`s fat component, lack of permanent physical exercises and pain in the spinal column require females to do water fitness. Water fitness in a swimming pool is recommended for women with obesity, varicose veins, osteochondrosis, elevated or low blood pressure, arthropathy, neurosis, hypodynamia, post-trauma recovery, vertebral disc prolapse, hypomyotonia, and disability of doing physical exercises of high-intensity out of water. Fitness programs for women should be chosen in such a way to consider the necessity of increasing aerobic activity of low intensity and importance of decreasing of fat components. Such fitness programs as artistic gymnastics, water aerobics, pilates, water jogging and aerobics are recommended for females at the age of 35-45. Women at the age of 46-55 should choose water program «Swimming and Power», water jogging, stretching, walking on a treadmill and Nordic walking.

Level of male`s physical condition is much better than in female groups, this relates to such indicators as «fitness-points», extracellular water and minerals. In males group dynamic of fat component is on an ordinary level and even lower in a young age (18-28)-10,3%, 29-34 years old-18%, 35-45 years old-21,1%, 56-74 years old-24,4%. The most suitable fitness programs for males are swimming, jogging, artistic gymnastics, functional training with control of hearth rate, mixed fitness programs with low intensity. While fitness programs planning for males of the first and second middle age groups it is preferable to use jogging with low or middle intensity, recreational artistic gymnastics, swimming, game-oriented sports and walking with steps counting.

It is recommended to use mobile applications with daily steps calculation such as «Zdorovie», «Stepz».

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Authors state that there is no conflict of interest.

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