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Lack of an Effect of High Dose Isoflavones in Men With Prostate Cancer Undergoing Androgen Deprivation Therapy

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Abstract

Purpose—The profound hypogonadism due to androgen deprivation therapy for prostate cancer results in complications such as sexual dysfunction, poor quality of life, vasomotor symptoms and altered cognition. Since estrogen is associated with cardiovascular risks, phytoestrogens are being increasingly evaluated as a potential treatment for these adverse effects. We evaluated the effects of high dose isoflavones, equivalent to that consumed by Asian populations, on the aforementioned consequences of androgen deprivation therapy.

Materials and Methods—A total of 33 men undergoing androgen deprivation therapy for prostate cancer were enrolled in this randomized, double-blind, placebo controlled, 12-week pilot trial. Participants were randomly assigned to receive 20 gm soy protein containing 160 mg total isoflavones (17) vs taste matched placebo, that is 20 gm whole milk protein (16). The study was performed at a tertiary care center in the United States.

Results—At baseline the groups were well matched in demographic parameters, sleep quality, cognition and overall quality of life. However, men in the isoflavone group had a higher baseline prevalence of hot flashes and poor intercourse satisfaction compared to those on placebo. At 12 weeks there were no significant differences between the 2 groups in any outcome measure.

Conclusions—This pilot study of high dose isoflavones in androgen deprived men showed no significant improvement in cognition, vasomotor symptoms or any other aspect of quality of life measures compared to placebo. Future studies should use variable doses of isoflavones for a longer period before ruling out beneficial isoflavone effects in this population.

Keywords

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Prostate cancer is the most common malignancy in men.¹ ADT has traditionally been given for locally advanced and metastatic PCa, for which it has shown a survival advantage (with radiation therapy) and improved QOL, respectively.² Recent reports suggest that its use has significantly increased and approximately 600,000 men in the United States alone receive it.^{3,4} Despite its benefits the resulting profound hypogonadism is associated with adverse

effects, such as osteoporosis, unfavorable body composition, sexual dysfunction, metabolic perturbations, cognitive changes, hot flashes and decreased QOL.⁵⁻⁷

Although castrate testosterone is implicated as the etiology of these symptoms, men on ADT also have low to undetectable estradiol. Hence, the relative contribution of sex steroids to these adverse effects remains unclear. Men with congenital aromatase deficiency who have undetectable estradiol have osteoporosis, sexual dysfunction and metabolic syndrome despite normal to increased testosterone.⁸ Indeed, decreased estradiol due to ADT is associated with decreased verbal fluency, visual memory and visual recognition, which are cognitive tasks believed to be influenced by estradiol.⁹ Furthermore, estrogen therapy in men on ADT shows significant improvement in vasomotor symptoms.¹⁰ Although these observations make estrogen an attractive option in these men, investigators are hesitant since a previous study showed an increased incidence of cardiovascular death in men on the synthetic estrogen diethylstilbestrol for advanced PCa.¹¹

Hence, the quest continues for alternative agents that may provide beneficial effects similar to those of endogenous estrogen while lacking the adverse effects of synthetic estrogen. Phytoestrogens (plant estrogens) are nonsteroidal, naturally occurring compounds that can exert estrogenic effects.¹² They are structurally similar to natural and synthetic estrogens, and bind to estrogen receptors, specifically estrogen receptor- β .¹³ The common classes of phytoestrogens are isoflavones, lignans and coumestans. Isoflavones are present in the highest amount in soybeans, flaxseed and legumes with genistein, daidzein and glycitein the most common types. Soy is a staple of Asian diets, in which the daily intake is at least 40 times higher than in Western populations.¹⁴ Estimates suggest that the average daily intake of isoflavones in the Chinese population is 100 to 150 mg per day compared to 1 mg per day in the United States.¹⁴

Animal studies of isoflavones revealed improved cognition after treatment.¹⁵ In postmenopausal women a few studies showed improved cognition, QOL and vasomotor symptoms.¹⁶ Such studies in men are limited. A previous series showed improved cognition in men on 100 mg isoflavones per day.¹⁷ To our knowledge no study to date has evaluated the influence of soy on sexual function, hot flashes, sleep scores, QOL or cognition in men on ADT for PCa. We performed this pilot study to evaluate these outcomes.

METHODS

Participants

Participants were recruited from The Johns Hopkins medical and radiation oncology clinics. English speaking men 21 years old or older undergoing medical or surgical ADT for at least 3 months were included in analysis. Study exclusion criteria were hepatic, renal, thyroid or neurological disease, active psychiatric disorder, current chemotherapy or glucocorticoids, appetite or weight promoting agents, substance abuse and triglycerides greater than 500 mg/dl. Men allergic to soy protein or cow milk were also excluded from study. Men already on soy supplements were washed out for at least 3 months before enrollment. After enrollment men were instructed to refrain from ingesting any kind of soy product during the 12-week study period (fig. 1).

Randomization

A list of randomized numbers was generated by a personal computer. Men were randomly assigned to the isoflavone vs placebo group by personnel at the clinical trial unit at our institution who were blinded to the current trial. Patients and study personnel remained blinded to group assignment during the study.

Intervention

The intervention contained 20 gm Revival® soy protein consisting of 160 mg total isoflavones as powder to be mixed with beverages. Each batch is tested for isoflavone content. The concentration of individual isoflavones was 64 mg genistein, 63 mg diadzein and 34 mg glycitein. Placebo contained 20 gm whole milk protein and similar nutrients (31 to 35 gm carbohydrate, 2.0 to 2.5 gm fat and 600 mg calcium) as the intervention except for isoflavones. Active and placebo powders appeared and tasted similar and were available in vanilla and chocolate flavors, dispensed based on patient preference. Supplements were ingested once daily for 12 weeks, and dispensed at the baseline and 6-week visits.

Measurement Schedule

Data were gathered at study baseline, and weeks 6 and 12. Blood was collected between 8 and 10 a.m. after an overnight fast. Weight and height were measured in a standardized way and BMI was calculated.

Outcome Measures

Cognition—All participants were administered an identical battery of the neuropsychological tests, including the National Adult Reading Test, Cube Comparison Test, Identical Pictures Test, verbal fluency test, Trail Making Test and Grooved Pegboard Test.

Sexual function and QOL—The Watts and International Index of Erectile Function questionnaires were used to evaluate sexual function.^{18,19} Overall QOL was assessed using the standardized SF-36™. Sleep quality was determined using the Epworth Sleepiness Scale.²⁰ Since there is no widely validated tool to evaluate distress due to vasomotor symptoms in men, they were administered the Blatt-Kupperman questionnaire, which is used in post-menopausal women.²¹

Laboratory data—PSA, TSH, complete blood count and routine chemistry values were determined as part of patient safety at the screening visit. Laboratory samples were measured at the Johns Hopkins Core Laboratory.

Statistical Analysis

Before testing hypotheses and modeling, the normality of continuous variables was inspected by plotting histograms and the Shapiro-Wilks test, and the need for transformation or nonparametric analysis was determined. No outliers were identified for any outcome measure or demographic variable. For comparison between treatment groups chi-square analysis was done for categorical demographic variables. Based on the distributional properties of the continuous demographic variables the 2-sample t or Wilcoxon rank sum test was used. For body composition, cognitive function, sexual function and QOL comparison across visits in each treatment group was done by 1-way ANOVA or the nonparametric Kruskal-Wallis test. Comparison between treatment groups at each visit was done by the t or Wilcoxon rank sum test. A mixed model was used to compare the treatment effect on body composition, cognitive function, sexual function and QOL after adjusting for baseline measurements. All analyses were done using SAS version 9.1.3.

RESULTS

A total of 17 men on isoflavones and 16 on placebo who were undergoing ADT for PCa for at least 3 months completed this randomized, double-blind, placebo controlled pilot study. Three of the initially enrolled 39 men were excluded from analysis based on screening

laboratory values and 3 withdrew from study due to personal reasons (2) and dislike of the compound taste (1).

Baseline Data

Mean age was similar between the placebo and treatment groups ($p = 0.94$). Overall 80% of the men were white (table 1). Mean ADT duration in each group was approximately 2 years ($p = 0.70$). Most men were on medical ADT and greater than 80% also received radiation therapy. Only 4 men were on combined androgen blockade. The 2 groups were well matched in age, weight, BMI, TSH and comorbidity. Men in the placebo group had higher mean PSA but this was not significantly different vs the isoflavone group ($p = 0.30$). This high mean value was driven by 4 men in the placebo group with PSA between 100 and 600 ng/ml. During the study there were no significant changes in PSA, weight or BMI in either group (data not shown).

Cognition

Table 2 lists cognitive data. There was a significant test session effect for performance on the Hidden Figures test in men assigned to the placebo or the active treatment group. These results indicate a general learning effect across test sessions for this measure. No other cognitive task revealed a learning effect in the 2 treatment groups with time.

Treatment by test session analysis revealed a significant group difference on the 3-Dimensional Mental Rotation test after 12 weeks of treatment with men on placebo outperforming men on isoflavones. Also, at week 6 men on soy completed the Grooved Pegboard dominant hand task more rapidly than those on placebo but this difference failed to persist after 12 weeks of treatment. At 6 weeks men on isoflavones dropped more pegs when completing the Grooved Pegboard task with the nondominant hand than men on placebo. This group difference also failed to persist after 12 weeks of treatment. No other group differences or group by test session interaction were observed on the cognitive tests.

Sexual Function and QOL

The groups were well matched at baseline. There was no significant improvement in libido or erectile function in men on isoflavones compared to those on placebo (table 3). For QOL there was no significant improvement in physical or emotional parameters in the isoflavone vs placebo group (table 4).

Sleep Scale and Hot Flashes

The 2 groups had similar sleep scores at baseline. There was no significant improvement in sleep quality for men on isoflavones vs placebo (fig. 2, A). Men were not well matched for hot flashes with the isoflavone group reporting higher scores (increased distress) than men on placebo at baseline and at study end (fig. 2, B). However, within group analysis showed no significant changes in the vasomotor distress score in either group.

Safety and Compliance

There were no safety issues during the study and no significant changes in PSA, weight or BMI in either group (data not shown). Men tolerated the compound well with only 1 withdrawing from study because he disliked its taste. Overall compliance was high at approximately 80%. Compliance was based on the number of sachets returned by each patient at treatment weeks 6 and 12.

DISCUSSION

In this double-blind, randomized, placebo controlled pilot study administering high dose isoflavones to men with PCa undergoing ADT did not show any benefit in cognition, QOL, vasomotor symptoms, sleep quality or sexual function. To our knowledge this is the first study in the English literature using high dose isoflavones in this patient population.

ADT use has significantly increased in recent years with approximately 600,000 men in the United States alone receiving it. It results in profound hypogonadism, which is associated with vasomotor symptoms, sexual dysfunction, decreased QOL and cognitive function changes.^{10,22} Although estrogen therapy results in improvement in some of these parameters, its use is associated with increased cardiovascular mortality.¹¹ Since isoflavones have a slightly different mechanism of action via estrogen receptor- β and their use results in improvement in some of these parameters in postmenopausal women,¹⁶ the hope was that isoflavones would be beneficial in men on ADT. Soy is consumed in large amounts in Asian countries compared to that by the Western population.¹⁴ Fewer Asian postmenopausal women complain of hot flashes than Western women.²³ Hence, we evaluated a higher dose of isoflavones at a concentration similar to that used by the Asian population in men on ADT.

Estrogen promotes synaptogenesis in the hippocampus and improves the overall neuronal glucose supply.²⁴ In men on ADT decreased cognitive performance is associated with decreased serum estradiol.⁹ However, most studies of the isoflavone effect on cognition have been done in women, showing mixed results.^{16,25} In men 1 trial using 100 vs 0.5 mg isoflavones per day showed significant improvements in short-term and long-term memory in the high dose group.¹⁷ Although the English literature has a few conceptual reviews on isoflavones in men with PCa undergoing ADT,²⁶ to our knowledge the current study is the first to investigate this association. Our study does not support the hypothesis that phytoestrogens appreciably influence cognitive performance in this population even when given at a high dose.

Although it is established that ADT results in sexual dysfunction,⁵ we further evaluated any additional beneficial or harmful isoflavone effects on libido and erectile function. Animal studies show that phytoestrogens bind to estrogen receptors in the corpus cavernosum and attenuate its relaxation in response to acetylcholine and nitroglycerin.²⁷ Some groups suggested that isoflavones should be considered a novel risk factor for erectile dysfunction.²⁸ We found that high dose isoflavones were neither beneficial nor harmful in terms of libido or erectile function. However, this does not rule out any negative sexual effects of isoflavones on healthy eugonadal men.

A major consequence of ADT is hot flashes, which significantly decrease QOL in this population and occur as a result of withdrawal of estrogens.^{10,29} Previous studies of estrogen in men on ADT showed significant improvement in hot flashes, further consolidating the role of estrogens.³⁰ However, estrogen is associated with gynecomastia and thromboembolic disease.¹⁰ Studies of isoflavones in postmenopausal women revealed decreased hot flash severity compared to that in the placebo group.¹⁶ Hence, it was important to evaluate whether isoflavones would mitigate some of these symptoms in this unique population. Since to our knowledge there is no validated instrument to evaluate hot flashes in men, we used the Blatt-Kupperman scale, which is used in postmenopausal women. Men on isoflavones did not show any significant improvement in hot flashes compared to those on placebo. Since hot flashes can influence sleep quality,²⁶ we also studied the effects of isoflavones on sleep quality using the Epworth Sleepiness Scale. We noted no notable treatment effect on sleep quality. We previously reported that overall QOL in men on ADT

is significantly lower than that in eugonadal men with PCa and in age matched controls.⁵ In the current study we found no significant improvement in the QOL for men on isoflavones vs placebo.

CONCLUSIONS

In this randomized, double-blind, placebo controlled study we used a novel design of treating men on ADT with high dose isoflavones and evaluated a number of outcome measures that could be important to overall health and well-being in this population. We found no benefit of this treatment over placebo. However, this pilot study had a small sample size and short treatment duration. Future studies should use variable isoflavone doses for longer periods before ruling out any beneficial effects of isoflavones in this population.

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Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADT	androgen deprivation therapy
BMI	body mass index
PCa	prostate cancer
PSA	prostate specific antigen
QOL	quality of life
TSH	thyroid-stimulating hormone

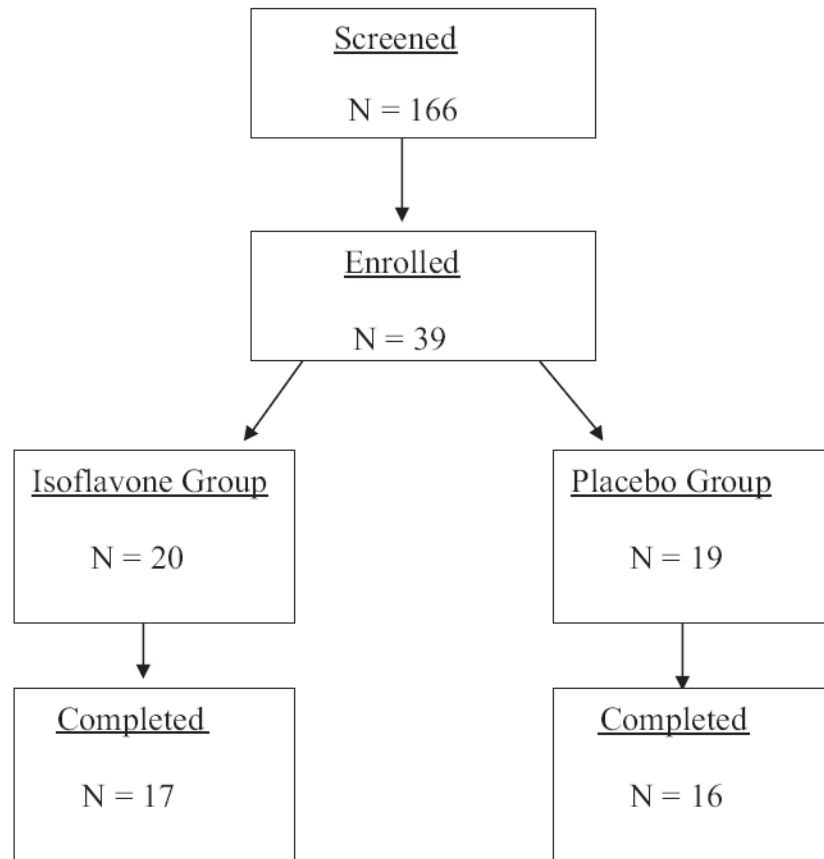


Figure 1.
Study flow

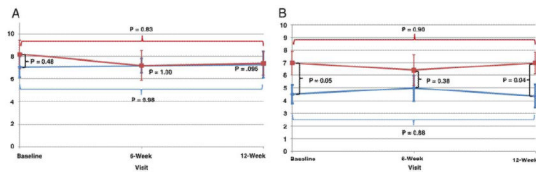


Figure 2. Scores in placebo (blue curve) and isoflavone (red curve) groups. *A*, sleep quality on Epworth Sleepiness Scale. *B*, vasomotor symptom scores on Blatt-Kupperman scale.

Table 1

Baseline comparison

Variable	Placebo	Treatment	p Value
Mean \pm SE age	69.0 \pm 2.2	69.2 \pm 2.5	0.94
No. white/black	11/5	15/2	
Mean \pm SE wt (kg)	97.39 \pm 4.73	90.2 \pm 4.01	0.25
Mean \pm SE BMI (kg/m ²)	30.05 \pm 1.44	28.71 \pm 1.24	0.48
Mean \pm SE PSA (ng/ml)	45.05 \pm 39.54	3.9 \pm 2.58	0.30
Mean \pm SE TSH (mIU/ml)	1.98 \pm 0.22	1.81 \pm 0.24	0.60
ADT duration (yrs)	1.96 \pm 0.64	2.37 \pm 0.37	0.70
No. gonadotropin-releasing hormone analogues/orchiectomy	16/0	16/1	
No. androgen receptor antagonist	1	3	
No. radiation therapy	11	13	
No. metastasis history	7	7	
Mean \pm SE No. system review abnormalities	3.19 \pm 0.42	3.41 \pm 0.52	0.74

Table 2

Cognitive function

Variable	Mean ± SE Baseline Score	Mean ± SE 6-Wk Score	Mean ± SE 12-Wk Score	p Value
<i>General intelligence</i>				
National Adult Reading Test:				
Placebo	45.2 ± 2.12	42.43 ± 2.66	43.69 ± 2.83	0.733
Active	39.6 ± 3.02	41.29 ± 3.25	41.57 ± 3.21	0.89
p Value	0.14	0.788	0.627	
<i>Hopkins verbal learning memory</i>				
Total recall:				
Placebo	24.67 ± 1.67	24.87 ± 1.57	25.85 ± 1.56	0.864
Active	21.6 ± 1.26	22.53 ± 0.96	22.47 ± 1.39	0.832
p Value	0.154	0.214	0.116	
Recognition:				
Placebo	22.13 ± 0.46	20.4 ± 1	22.77 ± 0.53	0.067
Active	20.8 ± 0.87	21.47 ± 1	22.67 ± 0.67	0.307
p Value	0.185	0.458	0.907	
% Retained:				
Placebo	100.88 ± 5.98	94.31 ± 2.38	94.68 ± 3.63	0.482
Active	89.82 ± 5.84	94.08 ± 4.3	95.21 ± 5.5	0.748
p Value	0.196	0.964	0.939	
<i>Verbal fluency</i>				
FAS:				
Placebo	58.79 ± 3.65	64.47 ± 4.51	63.31 ± 4.43	0.603
Active	55.36 ± 5.08	56.93 ± 4.78	57.93 ± 4.42	0.929
p Value	0.588	0.261	0.401	
<i>Grooved pegboard hand fine motor</i>				
Dominant time (secs):				
Placebo	101.5 ± 8.14	89.93 ± 4.32	90.75 ± 6.05	0.362
Active	91.8 ± 8.7	78.73 ± 3.34	83.8 ± 5.72	0.346
p Value	0.424	0.049	0.415	
No. dominant drops:				
Placebo	0.64 ± 0.27	0.14 ± 0.1	0.09 ± 0.09	0.074
Active	0.4 ± 0.19	0.33 ± 0.21	0.2 ± 0.11	0.715
p Value	0.463	0.43	0.466	
Nondominant time (secs):				
Placebo	115.43 ± 9.75	98.86 ± 7.76	102.73 ± 7.43	0.347
Active	112.8 ± 11.25	89.2 ± 3.05	88.67 ± 6.91	0.055
p Value	0.862	0.245	0.184	
No. nondominant drops:				
Placebo	0.21 ± 0.11	0.07 ± 0.07	0.45 ± 0.28	0.269
Active	0.6 ± 0.4	0.4 ± 0.13	0.27 ± 0.12	0.646

Variable	Mean \pm SE Baseline Score	Mean \pm SE 6-Wk Score	Mean \pm SE 12-Wk Score	p Value
p Value	0.376	0.04	0.504	
<i>Visual-spatial</i>				
Mental 3-dimensional rotation processing:				
Placebo	8.4 \pm 0.82	8.07 \pm 1.17	13.69 \pm 2.06	0.012
Active	7.33 \pm 0.9	8.6 \pm 1.16	8.27 \pm 0.74	0.623
p Value	0.388	0.751	0.015	
Key complex figure immediate memory recall:				
Placebo	20.87 \pm 1.5	24.33 \pm 1.4	25.92 \pm 1.52	0.058
Active	16.03 \pm 2.21	22.33 \pm 1.62	25.13 \pm 1.91	0.006
p Value	0.082	0.357	0.754	
Key complex figure delayed memory recall:				
Placebo	20.37 \pm 1.44	23.07 \pm 1.43	24.42 \pm 1.79	0.184
Active	15 \pm 2.27	20.43 \pm 1.61	24.27 \pm 2.04	0.008
p Value	0.056	0.232	0.955	

Table 3

Sexual function

Variable	Mean ± SE Baseline Score	Mean ± SE 6-Wk Score	Mean ± SE 12-Wk Score	p Value
<i>Watts Questionnaire</i>				
Totals:				
Placebo	62.92 ± 3.18	63.21 ± 2.3	59.7 ± 3.39	0.66
Active	62 ± 3.71	63.83 ± 2.79	67 ± 3.68	0.58
p Value	0.852	0.864	0.167	
Libido:				
Placebo	22.21 ± 1.19	22.13 ± 1.15	21.42 ± 1.28	0.88
Active	21.4 ± 1.4	21.36 ± 1.2	22.93 ± 1.3	0.62
p Value	0.663	0.644	0.42	
Erectile function:				
Placebo	26.83 ± 1.35	26.29 ± 1.14	25.36 ± 1.65	0.76
Active	26 ± 1.24	25.92 ± 1.44	27.46 ± 1.5	0.68
p Value	0.655	0.844	0.356	
Sexual arousal:				
Placebo	3.92 ± 0.33	4.36 ± 0.23	3.45 ± 0.51	0.21
Active	3.79 ± 0.37	4.13 ± 0.27	4.31 ± 0.31	0.51
p Value	0.784	0.536	0.153	
Sexual satisfaction:				
Placebo	10.92 ± 0.77	11 ± 0.71	11.75 ± 0.68	0.68
Active	10.69 ± 0.71	11.92 ± 0.81	12.5 ± 0.69	0.22
p Value	0.832	0.399	0.45	
<i>International Index of Erectile Function</i>				
Totals:				
Placebo	21.33 ± 5.17	17.4 ± 4.6	17.08 ± 5	0.79
Active	11.31 ± 2.1	13.2 ± 2.24	15 ± 3.29	0.62
p Value	0.101	0.418	0.728	
Erectile function:				
Placebo	7.33 ± 2.44	5.87 ± 2.35	5.85 ± 2.44	0.88
Active	3.27 ± 1.07	3.67 ± 1.06	4.53 ± 1.55	0.76
p Value	0.139	0.4	0.644	
Intercourse satisfaction:				
Placebo	3.8 ± 1.35	2.33 ± 1.11	2.15 ± 1.25	0.59
Active	0.67 ± 0.46	1.2 ± 0.59	1.53 ± 0.74	0.60
p Value	0.036	0.375	0.664	
Orgasmic function:				
Placebo	1.73 ± 0.62	1.27 ± 0.54	1.46 ± 0.87	0.88
Active	0.47 ± 0.26	1.07 ± 0.5	1.13 ± 0.47	0.47
p Value	0.07	0.788	0.732	
Sexual desire:				

Variable	Mean \pm SE Baseline Score	Mean \pm SE 6-Wk Score	Mean \pm SE 12-Wk Score	p Value
Placebo	3.73 \pm 0.6	3.47 \pm 0.52	3.54 \pm 0.57	0.94
Active	2.8 \pm 0.26	3.07 \pm 0.33	2.93 \pm 0.34	0.83
p Value	0.163	0.524	0.359	
Sexual satisfaction:				
Placebo	4.73 \pm 0.73	4.47 \pm 0.72	4.08 \pm 0.61	0.80
Active	3.85 \pm 0.66	4.2 \pm 0.63	4.64 \pm 0.86	0.74
p Value	0.38	0.782	0.601	

Table 4

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Variable	Mean ± SE Baseline Score	Mean ± SE 6-Wk Score	Mean ± SE 12-Wk Score	p Value
Physical health summary:				
Placebo	76.25 ± 5.59	74.73 ± 4.38	72.36 ± 5.45	0.869
Active	64.25 ± 6.17	65.75 ± 6.56	66.92 ± 5.63	0.954
p Value	0.161	0.272	0.497	
Mental health summary:				
Placebo	81.23 ± 4.62	77.37 ± 4.64	80.66 ± 4.87	0.817
Active	69.67 ± 7.16	71.36 ± 5.62	77.18 ± 4.02	0.642
p Value	0.186	0.416	0.584	
Physical functioning:				
Placebo	83.33 ± 5.53	82.14 ± 4.41	84.23 ± 3.34	0.952
Active	71.67 ± 6.74	71.33 ± 6.96	78.33 ± 8.07	0.747
p Value	0.192	0.208	0.528	
Physical health role limitation:				
Placebo	80 ± 9.82	71.67 ± 9.41	67.31 ± 12.46	0.69
Active	63.33 ± 11.67	61.67 ± 11.41	56.67 ± 10.76	0.91
p Value	0.284	0.504	0.522	
Body pain:				
Placebo	78 ± 5.37	74.33 ± 5.93	76.35 ± 5.31	0.893
Active	66 ± 6.2	73 ± 7.33	74 ± 6.48	0.657
p Value	0.155	0.889	0.786	
General health:				
Placebo	63.67 ± 5.24	65.67 ± 4.57	61.54 ± 5.2	0.848
Active	56 ± 3.94	57 ± 6.15	58.67 ± 4.77	0.931
p Value	0.252	0.268	0.687	
Energy/fatigue:				
Placebo	64 ± 5.65	63.67 ± 4.1	67.69 ± 4.62	0.819
Active	50.67 ± 8.24	49.67 ± 7.28	54 ± 5.88	0.906
p Value	0.193	0.105	0.085	
Social functioning:				
Placebo	94.17 ± 4.2	83.33 ± 6.06	89.42 ± 3.7	0.283
Active	78.33 ± 9	78.33 ± 8.75	88.33 ± 5.38	0.589
p Value	0.122	0.642	0.873	
Emotional problem role limitation:				
Placebo	82.22 ± 9.12	75.56 ± 10.01	76.92 ± 10.93	0.879
Active	68.89 ± 11.02	75.56 ± 8.27	80 ± 7.83	0.691
p Value	0.359	1	0.817	
Emotional well-being:				
Placebo	84.53 ± 2.7	86.93 ± 2.54	88.62 ± 2.43	0.542
Active	80.8 ± 3.87	81.87 ± 3.53	79.43 ± 3.7	0.899

Variable	Mean ± SE Baseline Score	Mean ± SE 6-Wk Score	Mean ± SE 12-Wk Score	p Value
p Value	0.435	0.254	0.052	