TITLE: Objectively measured physical activity and sedentary behavior in successful weight loss maintainers

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### **Supporting Information**

We have provided supporting information about our sensitivity analysis to examine whether seasonality impacted physical activity (PA) behavior in our study. We categorized March-August into the Spring/Summer season and September-February into the Fall/Winter season based on season categories for Denver, CO (1). Weight loss maintainers (WLM) were more likely to have PA behavior assess in the Spring/Summer seasons versus Fall/Winter as compared to normal weight controls (NC) and controls with overweight/obesity (OC) based on results from a Chi-Square test (p=0.01; see Table S1). However, there was no difference in total MVPA (minutes/day), guideline MVPA (minutes/day), LPA (minutes/day), sedentary time (minutes/day), or steps (count/day) in the Spring/Summer season as compared to the Fall/Winter season within each group, based on a two-samples t-test (p>0.05; see Table S2). In addition, when seasonality was added to the ANOVA model for total MVPA, guideline MVPA, LPA, sedentary time, and steps, results did not change (see Table S3). Therefore, we are not concerned that seasonality impacted PA behavior in this analysis.

	WLM	NC	OC	Total	p-value
Season	n (column %)	n (column %)	n (column %)		
					0.01
Spring/Summer	17 (56.7%)	6 (18.2%)	11 (40.7%)	34	
Fall/Winter	13 (43.3%)	27 (81.8%)	16 (59.3%)	56	
Total	30	33	27	90	

# Table S1: Comparison of Assessment Season across Subject Group <sup>a</sup>

# Legend for Table S1

<sup>a</sup> Results from Chi-Square Test. Significant p values (alpha <0.05) indicated in **bold**. Weight Loss Maintainers (WLM); Normal Weight Controls (NC); Controls with Overweight/Obesity (OC).

Subject Group	Spring/Summer	Fall/Winter	p-value	
	Mean $\pm$ SD	Mean $\pm$ SD	-	
Total MVPA (min/day)				
WLM (n=30)	$98 \pm 41$	$91 \pm 40$	0.65	
NC (n=33)	$63 \pm 18$	$71 \pm 20$	0.37	
OC (n=27)	$58\pm24$	$54 \pm 17$	0.69	
Guideline MVPA (min/day) <sup>b</sup>				
WLM (n=30)	$37\pm34$	$41 \pm 34$	0.62	
NC (n=33)	$14 \pm 11$	$17 \pm 15$	0.71	
OC (n=27)	9 ± 12	$9 \pm 10$	0.93	
LPA (min/day)				
WLM (n=30)	$308\pm95$	$266\pm57$	0.14	
NC (n=33)	$281\pm102$	$282\pm83$	0.99	
OC (n=27)	$242 \pm 77$	$229\pm 64$	0.65	
Sedentary Time (min/day)				
WLM (n=30)	$595 \pm 119$	$598\pm86$	0.94	
NC (n=33)	$588\pm94$	$623\pm104$	0.44	
OC (n=27)	$659 \pm 83$	$651 \pm 79$	0.81	
Steps (count/day)				
WLM (n=30)	$12641\pm5310$	$11752 \pm 4964$	0.64	
NC (n=33)	$8103\pm2299$	$9257 \pm 2779$	0.31	
OC (n=27)	$7246\pm2792$	$6952\pm2075$	0.77	

Table S2: Comparison of Physical Activity Behavior by Season within Subject Group <sup>a</sup>

# Legend for Table S2

<sup>a</sup> Results from Satterthwaite 2-samples t-test. Significant p values (alpha <0.05) indicated in **bold**. Weight Loss Maintainers (WLM); Normal Weight Controls (NC); Controls with Overweight/Obesity (OC); Moderate-to-Vigorous Intensity Physical Activity (MVPA); Light-Intensity Physical Activity (LPA). <sup>b</sup> Data analyzed using a square root transformation, but data presented using untransformed mean ± SD.

activPAL <sup>TM</sup> Parameter	WLM (n=30)	NC (n=33)	OC (n=27)	p-value, Omnibus F test	p-value, WLM:NC	p-value, WLM:OC	p-value, NC:OC
Total MVPA (min/day)	$95 \pm 31$	$69\pm29$	$56\pm29$	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.07
Guideline MVPA (min/day) <sup>b</sup>	$39 \pm 22$	$17 \pm 23$	$9\pm21$	<0.01	<0.01	0.01	0.06
LPA (min/day)	$290\pm81$	$281\pm79$	$234\pm80$	0.02	0.99	0.02	0.02
Sedentary Time (min/day)	$596\pm99$	$617\pm100$	$654\pm98$	0.09	0.50	0.03	0.13
Steps (count/day)	12,256 ± 3,675	9,047 ± 3,667	$7,072 \pm 3,674$	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.04

Table S3: Comparison of activPAL<sup>TM</sup> Parameters (Mean ± SD) across Subject Group, Controlled for Seasonality

#### Legend for Table S3

<sup>a</sup> Results from one-way ANOVA, controlling for seasonality (spring/summer vs. fall/winter). In all models, the p-value for seasonality was >0.05. Significant p values (alpha <0.05) indicated in **bold**. Weight Loss Maintainers (WLM); Normal Weight Controls (NC); Controls with Overweight/Obesity (OC); Moderate-to-Vigorous Intensity Physical Activity (MVPA); Light-Intensity Physical Activity (LPA).

<sup>b</sup> Data analyzed using a square root transformation, but data presented using untransformed mean  $\pm$  SD.

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