

**Body mass index and waist circumference in early adulthood are
associated with thoracolumbar spine shape at age 60-64: the
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Supplementary information

Table S2: Associations of BMI and waist circumference across adulthood with spine modes.

Per 1SD increase	Men		Women	
	β (95%CI)	P value†	β (95%CI)	P value†
BMI				
SM1				
36y	0.005 (-0.069 , 0.078)	.9	-0.005 (-0.08 , 0.069)	.9
43y	-0.026 (-0.098 , 0.046)	.5	0.01 (-0.063 , 0.083)	.8
53y	-0.034 (-0.107 , 0.039)	.357	0.015 (-0.058 , 0.087)	.7
60-64y	-0.001 (-0.071 , 0.069)	.973	-0.01 (-0.082 , 0.061)	.8
SM2				
36y	-0.147 (-0.222 , -0.071)	<.001	-0.066 (-0.137 , 0.005)	.07
43y	-0.114 (-0.188 , -0.04)	.003	-0.081 (-0.153 , -0.01)	.025
53y	-0.085 (-0.16 , -0.01)	.026	-0.038 (-0.109 , 0.033)	.3
60-64y	-0.074 (-0.148 , -0.001)	.047	-0.035 (-0.104 , 0.034)	.3
SM3				
36y	-0.168 (-0.241 , -0.096)	<.001	-0.137 (-0.192 , -0.082)‡	<.001
43y	-0.184 (-0.256 , -0.113)	<.001	-0.116 (-0.171 , -0.061)‡	<.001
53y	-0.099 (-0.171 , -0.027)	.007	-0.107 (-0.162 , -0.052)	<.001
60-64y	-0.119 (-0.189 , -0.049)	.001	-0.091 (-0.145 , -0.037)	.001
SM4				
36y	0.055 (-0.019 , 0.129)	.1	0.101 (0.026 , 0.175)	.008
43y	0.019 (-0.054 , 0.092)	.6	0.088 (0.014 , 0.162)	.02
53y	0.006 (-0.066 , 0.079)	.9	0.069 (-0.004 , 0.143)	.07
60-64y	-0.006 (-0.076 , 0.065)	.9	0.067 (-0.004 , 0.139)	.07
WC				
SM1				
36y	0.023 (-0.051 , 0.096)	.5	-0.046 (-0.12 , 0.029)‡	.2
43y	-0.036 (-0.109 , 0.036)	.3	0.028 (-0.044 , 0.101)	.4
53y	-0.033 (-0.106 , 0.04)	.4	0.008 (-0.065 , 0.08)	.8
60-64y	0.006 (-0.064 , 0.076)	.9	0.021 (-0.051 , 0.093)	.6
SM2				
36y	-0.153 (-0.229 , -0.078)	<.001	-0.053 (-0.124 , 0.019)	.2
43y	-0.106 (-0.18 , -0.032)	.005	-0.006 (-0.077 , 0.065)	.9
53y	-0.076 (-0.153 , -0.00003)	.05	0.001 (-0.069 , 0.072)	.97
60-64y	-0.067 (-0.14 , 0.006)	.07	0.022 (-0.047 , 0.09)	.5
SM3				
36y*	-0.168 (-0.24 , -0.096)	<.001	-0.051 (-0.107 , 0.005)‡	.07
43y	-0.117 (-0.19 , -0.045)‡	.001	-0.11 (-0.165 , -0.055)	<.001
53y	-0.108 (-0.18 , -0.036)	.003	-0.095 (-0.15 , -0.04)	.001
60-64y	-0.12 (-0.19 , -0.05)	.001	-0.1 (-0.154 , -0.047)	<.001
SM4				
36y	0.039 (-0.034 , 0.113)	.3	0.09 (0.016 , 0.164)	.017
43y	0.041 (-0.032 , 0.114)	.3	0.097 (0.023 , 0.171)	.01
53y	0.02 (-0.053 , 0.092)	.6	0.096 (0.023 , 0.168)	.01
60-64y	0.008 (-0.063 , 0.078)	.8	0.101 (0.029 , 0.173)	.006

BMI, body mass index; WC, waist circumference. Models are run on the maximum available N at each age (see table 1). †Wald's p value; *sex-interaction p<.05. ‡ significant quadratic term but deviation from linearity was not confirmed when tests for trend across sex-specific quintiles were undertaken.