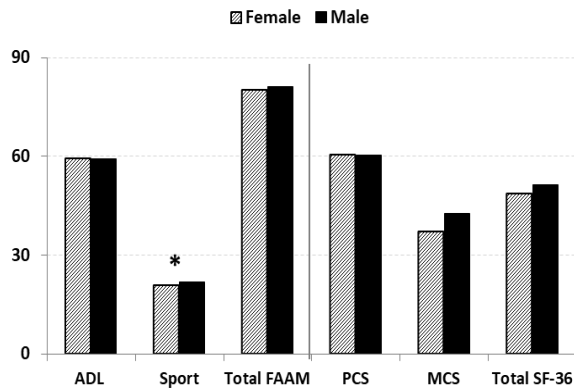
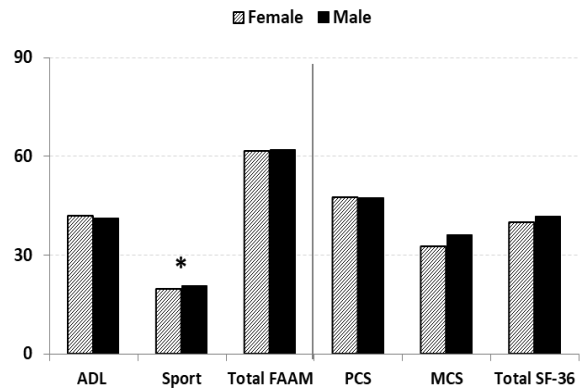


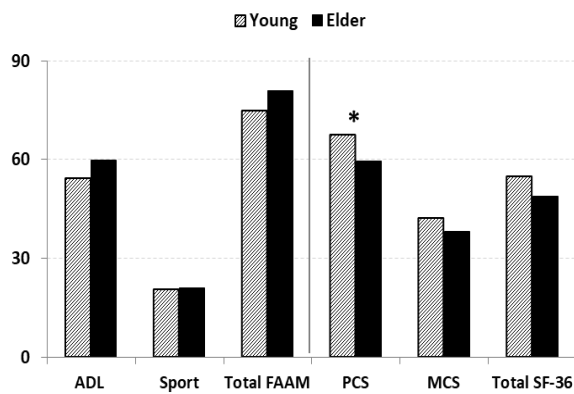
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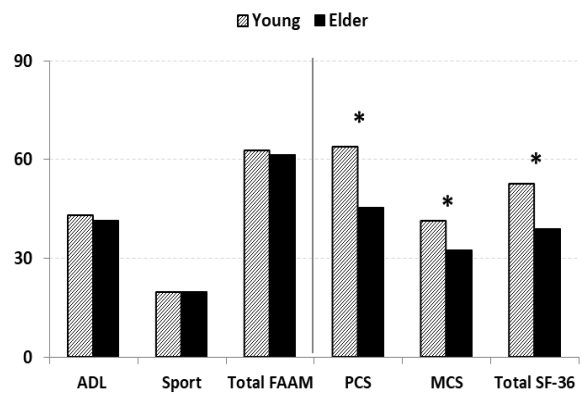
(B) Diabetic foot patients



(C) Diabetic patient



(D) Diabetic foot patients



**Supplementary Fig. S1 Gender-specific and age subgroup difference in quality of life assessment.** Mean scores obtained on the FAAM (foot ankle ability measure) and SF-36 (short form 36 questionnaire) subscales were compared between male and female as well as young and elder patients. Student's t test was used for comparison. ADL; activities of daily living, PCS; physical component summary, MCS; mental component summary. \* Indicates significance at  $P < 0.05$ .