

**Table S1a.** Baseline values: mean values of all parameters in the entire sample and in the BMI subgroups. Data are presented as means  $\pm$  SDs. Statistical significance was set for p values  $\leq 0.05$ .

Outcomes	Total Sample n = 293	OVER n = 63	I OB n = 131	II OB n = 99	F	p
Age	53.08 $\pm$ 9.07	57.43 $\pm$ 7.89	57.76 $\pm$ 8.75	50.73 $\pm$ 9.29	11.411	<.001
SBP	135.05 $\pm$ 17.43	133.68 $\pm$ 11.10	132.52 $\pm$ 22.7	139.04 $\pm$ 13.26	1.907	.153
DBP	82.75 $\pm$ 8.63	80.44 $\pm$ 6.2	81.57 $\pm$ 8.89	85.85 $\pm$ 9.13	4.960	.008
GLYC	119.95 $\pm$ 43.08	124.52 $\pm$ 42.65	114.98 $\pm$ 38.33	122.64 $\pm$ 48.90	0.626	.536
HbA1c	6.61 $\pm$ 1.35	6.86 $\pm$ 1.38	6.44 $\pm$ 1.25	6.61 $\pm$ 1.42	0.926	.399
COL	200.19 $\pm$ 39.25	191.74 $\pm$ 45.22	200.77 $\pm$ 42.56	205.84 $\pm$ 28.37	1.267	.285
HDL	47.74 $\pm$ 10.05	48.85 $\pm$ 8.89	48.58 $\pm$ 10.94	45.96 $\pm$ 9.74	1.092	.339
LDL	121.71 $\pm$ 36.14	117.51 $\pm$ 40.16	121.69 $\pm$ 81.03	125.12 $\pm$ 28.52	0.402	.670
TRIG	153.98 $\pm$ 92.29	127.38 $\pm$ 63.04	146.60 $\pm$ 81.03	182.46 $\pm$ 114.63	3.943	.022
WEIGHT	95.61 $\pm$ 17.25	79 $\pm$ 8.96	92.08 $\pm$ 11.84	110.84 $\pm$ 14.87	135.576	<.001
BMI	33.59 $\pm$ 4.49	28.04 $\pm$ 1.31	32.46 $\pm$ 1.48	38.63 $\pm$ 2.99	528,954	<.001
WC	111.61 $\pm$ 12.02	100.02 $\pm$ 7.46	108.92 $\pm$ 7.32	122.39 $\pm$ 10.52	141.425	<.001
FM%	38.19 $\pm$ 7.62	32.76 $\pm$ 6.8	37.57 $\pm$ 6.68	42.42 $\pm$ 6.87	39.806	<.001
MM	56.08 $\pm$ 11.96	50.56 $\pm$ 9.34	54.94 $\pm$ 11.12	61.03 $\pm$ 12.67	17.455	<.001
LAT	39.11 $\pm$ 10.92	35.56 $\pm$ 9.21	38.84 $\pm$ 10.76	41.70 $\pm$ 11.54	6.298	.002
CHEST	27.98 $\pm$ 9.67	25.23 $\pm$ 8.44	27.19 $\pm$ 9.07	30.73 $\pm$ 10.53	7.153	<.001
PRESS	157.54 $\pm$ 36.09	148.67 $\pm$ 34.73	154.57 $\pm$ 35.81	167.01 $\pm$ 35.56	5.850	.003
LEXT	31.02 $\pm$ 10.72	28.61 $\pm$ 9.05	29.16 $\pm$ 9.80	34.88 $\pm$ 11.79	10.438	<.001
VB	-8.7 $\pm$ 9.83	-9.33 $\pm$ 10.16	-7.69 $\pm$ 9.75	-9.66 $\pm$ 9.68	1.284	.278
HB	25.83 $\pm$ 10.54	26.46 $\pm$ 10.86	27.18 $\pm$ 9.86	23.59 $\pm$ 10.95	3.399	.035
VO <sub>2</sub> max	19.52 $\pm$ 9.3	23.39 $\pm$ 9.44	20.48 $\pm$ 8.82	15.79 $\pm$ 8.57	15.534	<.001
Adherence	86.9 $\pm$ 10.28	88.2 $\pm$ 9.19	86.4 $\pm$ 10.38	86.8 $\pm$ 10.82	.611	.544
MET-h per week	16.46 $\pm$ 24.71	15.32 $\pm$ 16.92	18.26 $\pm$ 26.80	14.81 $\pm$ 26.03	0.634	.531
SIT	5.36 $\pm$ 3.17	5.34 $\pm$ 2.99	5.22 $\pm$ 3.22	5.55 $\pm$ 3.23	0.296	.744

OVER= people with overweight; I OB= people with I degree of obesity; IIOB= people with II degrees (or superior) of obesity.

SBP: systolic blood pressure; DBP: diastolic blood pressure; GLYC: fasting plasma glucose; HbA1c: glycosylated hemoglobin; COL: total cholesterol; HDL: high-density lipoprotein; LDL: low-density lipoprotein; TRIG: triglycerides; BMI: body mass index; FM%: fat mass percentage; MM: muscle mass; LAT: Lat Machine test value; CHEST = Chest press test value; PRESS = leg press test value; LEXT = leg extension test value; VB: vertical bending test value; HB: horizontal bending test value; VO<sub>2</sub> max: maximal oxygen consumption value; Adherence = the percentage of adherence to exercise intervention (calculated as number of sessions performed / total number of sessions); MET-h per week = weekly total physical activity energy expenditure; SIT = daily sitting time.

**Table S1b.** Baseline values: mean values of all parameters in the entire sample and in the PAL subgroups. Data are presented as means  $\pm$  SDs. Statistical significance was set for p values  $\leq 0.05$ .

Outcomes	Total Sample <i>n</i> = 293	high PAL <i>n</i> = 32	moderate PAL <i>n</i> = 108	low PAL <i>n</i> = 153	F	<i>p</i>
Age	53.08 $\pm$ 9.07	50.72 $\pm$ 9.56	54.30 $\pm$ 9.08	52.71 $\pm$ 8.89	2.199	.113
SBP	135.05 $\pm$ 17.43	132.67 $\pm$ 17.10	135.93 $\pm$ 21.97	134.86 $\pm$ 12.69	0.211	.810
DBP	82.75 $\pm$ 8.63	79.33 $\pm$ 8.21	83.49 $\pm$ 8.61	82.92 $\pm$ 8.69	1.399	.250
GLYC	119.95 $\pm$ 43.08	137.13 $\pm$ 47.86	117.07 $\pm$ 43.54	118.31 $\pm$ 41.23	1.366	.259
HbA1c	6.61 $\pm$ 1.35	7.06 $\pm$ 1.27	6.48 $\pm$ 1.38	6.62 $\pm$ 1.34	1.041	.356
COL	200.19 $\pm$ 39.25	184.73 $\pm$ 19.86	207.55 $\pm$ 39.78	197.36 $\pm$ 41.16	2.363	.098
HDL	47.74 $\pm$ 10.05	46.43 $\pm$ 9.20	46.91 $\pm$ 8.73	48.76 $\pm$ 11.28	0.619	.540
LDL	121.71 $\pm$ 36.14	109.55 $\pm$ 18.18	127.07 $\pm$ 35.82	119.85 $\pm$ 38.88	1.372	.258
TRIG	153.98 $\pm$ 92.29	157.80 $\pm$ 133.18	153.79 $\pm$ 95.80	153.25 $\pm$ 78.48	0.015	.985
WEIGHT	95.61 $\pm$ 17.25	98.93 $\pm$ 16.54	93.84 $\pm$ 17.10	96.16 $\pm$ 17.46	1.241	.291
BMI	33.59 $\pm$ 4.49	34.01 $\pm$ 4.32	32.73 $\pm$ 4.31	34.12 $\pm$ 4.58	3.244	<b>.040</b>
WC	111.61 $\pm$ 12.02	112.78 $\pm$ 11.88	110.41 $\pm$ 12.38	112.22 $\pm$ 11.8	0.887	.413
FM%	38.19 $\pm$ 7.62	37.35 $\pm$ 7.66	37.64 $\pm$ 7.46	38.76 $\pm$ 7.73	0.890	.412
MM	56.08 $\pm$ 11.96	58.69 $\pm$ 11.57	55.50 $\pm$ 11.83	55.93 $\pm$ 12.14	0.901	.407
LAT	39.11 $\pm$ 10.92	43.15 $\pm$ 12.49	38.00 $\pm$ 9.93	39.09 $\pm$ 11.14	2.635	.073
CHEST	27.98 $\pm$ 9.67	31.22 $\pm$ 12.04	27.06 $\pm$ 9.51	27.98 $\pm$ 9.18	2.195	.113
PRESS	157.54 $\pm$ 36.09	165.69 $\pm$ 33.93	154.38 $\pm$ 34.78	158.17 $\pm$ 37.33	1.200	.303
LEXT	31.02 $\pm$ 10.72	35.06 $\pm$ 11.70	30.67 $\pm$ 9.56	30.50 $\pm$ 11.21	2.242	.108
VB	-8.7 $\pm$ 9.83	-6.34 $\pm$ 9.76	-7.57 $\pm$ 9.64	-9.99 $\pm$ 9.84	2.976	.053
HB	25.83 $\pm$ 10.54	29.25 $\pm$ 11.65	26.52 $\pm$ 10.12	24.62 $\pm$ 10.45	2.948	.054
VO <sub>2</sub> max	19.52 $\pm$ 9.3	21.57 $\pm$ 8.92	20.82 $\pm$ 9.48	18.18 $\pm$ 9.11	3.484	<b>.032</b>
<b>Adherence</b>	<b>86.9<math>\pm</math>10.28</b>	<b>86.3<math>\pm</math>10.13</b>	<b>88<math>\pm</math>10.09</b>	<b>86.1<math>\pm</math>11.65</b>	<b>.935</b>	<b>.394</b>
MET-h per week	16.46 $\pm$ 24.71	71.35 $\pm$ 32.69	20.35 $\pm$ 11.81	2.24 $\pm$ 2.84	379.543	<b>&lt;.001</b>
SIT	5.36 $\pm$ 3.17	4.06 $\pm$ 2.35	5.10 $\pm$ 2.8	5.80 $\pm$ 3.48	4.508	<b>.012</b>

SBP: systolic blood pressure; DBP: diastolic blood pressure; GLYC: fasting plasma glucose; HbA1c: glycosylated hemoglobin; COL: total cholesterol; HDL: high-density lipoprotein; LDL: low-density lipoprotein; TRIG: triglycerides; BMI: body mass index; FM%: fat mass percentage; MM: muscle mass; LAT: Lat Machine test value; CHEST = Chest press test value; PRESS = leg press test value; LEXT = leg extension test value; VB: vertical bending test value; HB: horizontal bending test value; VO<sub>2</sub> max: maximal oxygen consumption value; **Adherence = the percentage of adherence to exercise intervention (calculated as number of sessions performed / total number of sessions)**; MET-h per week = weekly total physical activity energy expenditure; SIT = daily sitting time.

**Table S1c.** Baseline values: mean values of all parameters in the entire sample and in the SIT subgroups. Data are presented as means  $\pm$  SDs. Statistical significance was set for p values  $\leq 0.05$ .

Outcomes	Total Sample <i>n</i> = 293	very high SIT <i>n</i> = 43	high SIT <i>n</i> = 99	medium SIT <i>n</i> = 63	low SIT <i>n</i> = 82	F	<i>p</i>
Age	52.84 $\pm$ 9.01	52.19 $\pm$ 9.54	53.81 $\pm$ 8.65	55.08 $\pm$ 9.75	50.30 $\pm$ 8.02	4.043	<b>.008</b>
SBP	135.29 $\pm$ 17.54	130.50 $\pm$ 29.88	136.95 $\pm$ 13.64	133.96 $\pm$ 11.82	137.13 $\pm$ 15.04	0.859	.464
DBP	83.04 $\pm$ 8.64	86.00 $\pm$ 8.40	82.20 $\pm$ 7.83	80.96 $\pm$ 7.62	83.64 $\pm$ 9.94	1.575	.199
GLYC	121.43 $\pm$ 43.49	131.00 $\pm$ 61.96	122.82 $\pm$ 40.76	121.20 $\pm$ 41.41	114.79 $\pm$ 34.74	0.666	.575
HbA1c	6.64 $\pm$ 1.38	7.09 $\pm$ 1.94	6.75 $\pm$ 1.37	6.57 $\pm$ 1.30	6.32 $\pm$ 0.98	1.467	.227
COL	200.53 $\pm$ 39.57	206.41 $\pm$ 41.98	194.15 $\pm$ 37.31	207.52 $\pm$ 45.15	198.95 $\pm$ 36.63	0.807	.492
HDL	47.71 $\pm$ 10.16	44.95 $\pm$ 8.48	47.41 $\pm$ 8.78	49.15 $\pm$ 12.74	48.36 $\pm$ 10.31	0.708	.549
LDL	122.66 $\pm$ 36.24	129.55 $\pm$ 37.27	115.41 $\pm$ 34.93	132.60 $\pm$ 40.50	119.89 $\pm$ 33.39	1.401	.246
TRIG	154.17 $\pm$ 93.67	189.10 $\pm$ 118.35	146.54 $\pm$ 86.95	149.26 $\pm$ 109.51	146.98 $\pm$ 71.26	1.172	.323
WEIGHT	95.79 $\pm$ 17.28	101.81 $\pm$ 20.77	96.22 $\pm$ 16.21	91.63 $\pm$ 17.25	95.32 $\pm$ 15.85	3.066	<b>.028</b>
BMI	33.62 $\pm$ 4.5	34.53 $\pm$ 5.06	33.80 $\pm$ 4.16	32.58 $\pm$ 4.68	33.72 $\pm$ 4.37	1.808	.146
WC	111.69 $\pm$ 12.09	114.71 $\pm$ 14.70	112.09 $\pm$ 11.52	109.90 $\pm$ 12.33	111.02 $\pm$ 10.95	1.459	.226
FM%	38.17 $\pm$ 7.58	37.43 $\pm$ 8.51	39.14 $\pm$ 7.50	37.86 $\pm$ 7.16	37.61 $\pm$ 7.50	0.862	.461
MM	56.21 $\pm$ 11.94	60.38 $\pm$ 13.84	55.54 $\pm$ 11.47	53.96 $\pm$ 11.38	56.54 $\pm$ 56.54	2.653	<b>.049</b>
LAT	39.27 $\pm$ 10.94	41.35 $\pm$ 11.80	39.38 $\pm$ 11.47	38.29 $\pm$ 8.92	38.78 $\pm$ 11.28	0.739	.529
CHEST	28.06 $\pm$ 9.63	29.74 $\pm$ 9.52	27.16 $\pm$ 9.17	26.89 $\pm$ 8.62	29.16 $\pm$ 10.80	1.372	.252
PRESS	158.01 $\pm$ 35.90	173.89 $\pm$ 33.10	156.89 $\pm$ 35.48	154.92 $\pm$ 33.47	153.55 $\pm$ 37.89	3.434	<b>.017</b>
LEXT	31.17 $\pm$ 10.72	33.41 $\pm$ 10.47	31.05 $\pm$ 11.47	29.77 $\pm$ 8.63	31.23 $\pm$ 11.30	0.940	.422
VB	-8.64 $\pm$ 9.86	-10.98 $\pm$ 11.81	-9.44 $\pm$ 9.78	-8.16 $\pm$ 9.71	-6.80 $\pm$ 8.73	2.004	.114
HB	25.94 $\pm$ 10.62	22.95 $\pm$ 12.21	25.78 $\pm$ 10.51	25.98 $\pm$ 10.19	27.66 $\pm$ 10.00	1.835	.141
VO <sub>2</sub> max	19.69 $\pm$ 9.24	20.79 $\pm$ 8.39	18.97 $\pm$ 9.50	19.51 $\pm$ 9.56	20.12 $\pm$ 9.18	0.466	.706
Adherence	<b>86.8<math>\pm</math>10.29</b>	<b>87.3<math>\pm</math>8.90</b>	<b>88.2<math>\pm</math>9.55</b>	<b>86<math>\pm</math>11.04</b>	<b>85.8<math>\pm</math>11.94</b>	<b>0.780</b>	<b>.506</b>
MET-h per week	16.61 $\pm$ 24.88	6.65 $\pm$ 9.80	13.60 $\pm$ 18.81	22.71 $\pm$ 33.94	20.79 $\pm$ 26.76	5.015	<b>.002</b>
SIT	5.36 $\pm$ 3.17	10.44 $\pm$ 1.48	6.81 $\pm$ 0.83	4.62 $\pm$ 0.48	1.49 $\pm$ 1.24	815.446	<b>&lt;.001</b>

SBP: systolic blood pressure; DBP: diastolic blood pressure; GLYC: fasting plasma glucose; HbA1c: glycosylated hemoglobin; COL: total cholesterol; HDL: high-density lipoprotein; LDL: low-density lipoprotein; TRIG: triglycerides; BMI: body mass index; FM%: fat mass percentage; MM: muscle mass; LAT: Lat Machine test value; CHEST = Chest press test value; PRESS = leg press test value; LEXT = leg extension test value; VB: vertical bending test value; HB: horizontal bending test value; VO<sub>2</sub> max: maximal oxygen consumption value; **Adherence = the percentage of adherence to exercise intervention (calculated as number of sessions performed / total number of sessions)**; MET-h per week = weekly total physical activity energy expenditure; SIT = daily sitting time.