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Dr. Cawthon is currently Senior Scientist at California Pacific Medical Center Research Institute and Associate Adjunct Professor at UCSF. Dr. Cawthon's current research interests include maintenance of mobility in old age; sarcopenia (age-related muscle loss); frailty; the decline of physical function with age; and osteoporosis, particularly in older men. She has led the recent Sarcopenia Definitions and Outcomes Consortium effort to develop an updated, evidenced based definition of sarcopenia. She has also led the first large scale study of the D3Cr-dilution based assessment of muscle mass, a project that established that strong associations exist between low D3Cr muscle mass and weakness, poor physical performance, fractures, mortality and disability in older men.

Publications

Research Interests

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