

Supplementary Table S1. Effects of nutritional supplement drink (NSD) on body composition, physical performance, nutritional status, and nutrition intake in older nursing home residents at risk of malnutrition

NSD (N=57)										NE (N=50)									
	<i>p</i> value									<i>p</i> value									
	Baseline			6 <sup>th</sup> week			End			Baseline×			6 <sup>th</sup> week			Baseline			
										6 <sup>th</sup> week	× End	× End	Baseline	6 <sup>th</sup> week	End	Baseline ×	6 <sup>th</sup> week	Baseline	
6 <sup>th</sup> week																		× End	× End
Body composition																			
Body weight (kg)	53.73 ± 8.31	54.73 ± 8.28	54.94 ± 8.50	0.002	0.513	<0.001	62.91 ± 13.57	63.07 ± 13.47	62.73 ± 12.67	0.304	0.200	0.574							
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	20.47 ± 3.03	20.84 ± 3.20	20.97 ± 3.03	0.013	0.375	<0.001	23.74 ± 4.30	23.81 ± 4.29	23.67 ± 3.98	0.252	0.211	0.603							
Body fat (%)	25.97 ± 5.92	26.25 ± 6.54	26.58 ± 6.13	0.413	0.490	0.273	27.03 ± 5.08	27.12 ± 4.42	27.43 ± 4.16	0.786	0.456	0.356							
Muscle mass (%)	26.31 ± 3.03	26.19 ± 3.19	26.15 ± 3.13	0.381	0.840	0.499	26.81 ± 2.81	26.62 ± 2.93	26.49 ± 2.92	0.145	0.667	0.313							
ASMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	5.38 ± 0.95	5.45 ± 0.94	5.46 ± 0.97	0.123	0.799	0.189	6.38 ± 1.38	6.35 ± 1.40	6.30 ± 1.33	0.272	0.494	0.263							
Calf circumference (cm)	31.98 ± 3.40	32.18 ± 2.78	32.14 ± 3.01	0.299	0.529	0.842	32.95 ± 4.05	32.76 ± 4.15	32.57 ± 3.91	0.025	0.343	0.065							
Physical performance																			
SOF	0.98 ± 0.64	0.46 ± 0.63	0.23 ± 0.42	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.50 ± 0.61	0.44 ± 0.54	0.56 ± 0.58	0.083	0.014	0.180							
Grip strength (kg)	21.66 ± 6.14	22.78 ± 6.11	21.97 ± 6.21	0.002	0.109	0.481	21.64 ± 8.09	21.69 ± 7.48	21.88 ± 7.74	0.916	0.51	0.621							
6-m walking speed (s)	10.02 ± 5.04	9.20 ± 4.65	8.56 ± 4.79	0.005	0.020	0.001	7.71 ± 2.12	8.28 ± 2.57	8.16 ± 2.89	0.061	0.722	0.111							
Walking speed (m/s)	0.73 ± 0.30	0.79 ± 0.31	0.89 ± 0.38	0.004	0.003	<0.001	0.83 ± 0.20	0.78 ± 0.19	0.83 ± 0.32	0.076	0.425	0.363							
Blood pressure																			
SBP (mmHg)	133 ± 17	137 ± 16	133 ± 15	0.121	0.021	0.857	132 ± 17	129 ± 14	131 ± 14	0.102	0.355	0.251							
DBP (mmHg)	78 ± 11	79 ± 9	76 ± 8	0.218	0.002	0.079	77 ± 10	76 ± 9	76 ± 9	0.459	0.791	0.574							
Nutritional status																			
MUST																			
0, <i>n</i> (%)	0 (0.0)	27 (47.4)	34 (59.6)	<0.001	0.4651	<0.001	0 (0.0)	1 (1.9)	2 (3.8)	0.522	0.703	0.355							
1, <i>n</i> (%)	37 (64.9)	15 (26.3)	12 (21.1)				41 (78.8)	41 (78.8)	40 (76.9)										
2, <i>n</i> (%)	10 (17.5)	14 (24.6)	9 (15.8)				9 (17.3)	7 (13.5)	8 (15.4)										
3, <i>n</i> (%)	10 (17.5)	1 (1.8)	2 (3.5)				0 (0.0)	1 (1.9)	0 (0.0)										
MNA-SF	9.07 ± 1.83	11.12 ± 1.67	12.04 ± 1.31	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	10.66 ± 1.92	10.82 ± 1.75	10.58 ± 1.93	0.021	0.247	0.773							

Total energy intake (kcal)	1213.9 ± 69.53	1607.4 ± 72.62	1611.8 ± 71.21	<0.001	0.166	<0.001	1219.0 ± 67.68	1221.0 ± 56.32	1223.0 ± 59.08	0.796	0.564	0.417
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Supplementary Table S2. Effects of nutritional supplement drink (NSD) and nutritional education (NE) on blood biochemical parameters in older nursing home residents at risk of malnutrition

	NSD									NE								
							<i>p</i> value									<i>p</i> value		
	Baseline		6 <sup>th</sup> week		End		Baseline × 6 <sup>th</sup> week	Baseline × End	Baseline × End	Baseline		6 <sup>th</sup> week		End		Baseline × 6 <sup>th</sup> week	Baseline × End	Baseline × End
							6th week	× End	× End							6th week	× End	× End
Blood sugar (AC) (mg/dL)	107.42 ±	49.78	115.16 ±	40.87	114.79 ±	51.82	0.041	0.791	0.166	109.78 ±	49.35	116.42 ±	45.75	110.21 ±	31.79	0.004	0.151	0.089
<b>Lipid profile</b>																		
Cholesterol (mg/dL)	163.33 ±	27.05	159.90 ±	23.74	164.39 ±	28.28	0.127	0.082	0.694	170.62 ±	40.86	167.86 ±	38.30	164.56 ±	40.87	0.758	0.359	0.224
Triglyceride (mg/dL)	107.56 ±	77.30	117.60 ±	80.65	116.07 ±	78.39	0.109	0.996	0.269	107.72 ±	52.60	124.46 ±	74.57	139.79 ±	93.51	0.057	0.174	0.001
<b>Kidney function</b>																		
Uric acid (mg/dL)	5.70 ±	1.52	5.68 ±	1.73	5.63 ±	1.59	0.821	0.696	0.517	6.16 ±	1.92	6.08 ±	1.73	6.03 ±	1.82	0.458	0.512	0.763
Creatinine (mg/dL)	1.09 ±	0.33	1.01 ±	0.32	1.07 ±	0.34	0.002	<0.001	0.31	1.16 ±	0.75	1.18 ±	0.82	1.23 ±	0.96	0.365	0.197	0.28
<b>Liver function</b>																		
AST (U/L)	27.10 ±	10.21	28.69 ±	9.19	28.89 ±	8.68	0.087	0.494	0.015	28.34 ±	18.15	29.80 ±	16.63	28.11 ±	11.79	0.136	0.414	0.92
ALT (U/L)	18.35 ±	10.13	21.04 ±	10.18	23.30 ±	12.43	0.001	0.014	<0.001	22.86 ±	26.58	21.22 ±	11.18	21.75 ±	11.92	0.113	0.886	0.271
<b>Nutritional status</b>																		
Albumin (g/dL)	4.28 ±	0.27	4.18 ±	0.32	4.19 ±	0.32	0.002	0.726	0.02	4.17 ±	0.41	4.21 ±	0.42	4.15 ±	0.47	0.286	0.309	0.756
<b>Vitamin D status</b>																		
Total 25-OH Vit D (ng/mL)	23.93 ±	9.43	23.17 ±	8.64	23.69 ±	9.56	0.067	0.197	0.821	21.83 ±	9.09	21.52 ±	8.71	21.03 ±	8.02	0.38	0.22	0.082
<b>Zinc status</b>																		
Zinc (µg/L)	750.28 ±	169.61	695.72 ±	97.62	730.09 ±	146.99	0.017	0.042	0.846	829.42 ±	170.44	778.34 ±	143.48	711.10 ±	142.16	0.024	<0.001	<0.001
<b>Hematology</b>																		
RBCs (10 <sup>6</sup> /µL)	4.27 ±	0.59	4.27 ±	0.56	4.29 ±	0.60	0.987	0.658	0.748	4.40 ±	0.73	4.34 ±	0.76	4.41 ±	0.73	0.116	0.119	0.804
WBCs (10 <sup>3</sup> /µL)	6.71 ±	3.77	6.87 ±	5.19	7.48 ±	6.76	0.925	0.004	0.044	6.44 ±	1.74	6.59 ±	1.60	6.52 ±	1.60	0.375	0.66	0.687
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	12.94 ±	1.69	12.88 ±	1.70	12.85 ±	1.84	0.545	0.734	0.484	13.04 ±	2.17	12.93 ±	2.20	12.98 ±	2.16	0.319	0.744	0.681
Hematocrit (%)	38.90 ±	4.84	39.17 ±	4.67	39.42 ±	5.15	0.364	0.378	0.174	40.12 ±	6.27	39.85 ±	6.36	40.06 ±	6.12	0.425	0.67	0.902
Platelets (10 <sup>3</sup> /µL)	225.70 ±	72.70	226.32 ±	78.39	232.70 ±	77.63	0.760	0.173	0.184	229.36 ±	73.39	227.57 ±	72.76	227.76 ±	70.47	0.653	0.97	0.8

MCH (pg)	30.54 ± 3.27	30.35 ± 3.22	30.13 ± 3.27	0.022	0.021	0.002	29.86 ± 2.81	29.97 ± 2.74	29.60 ± 2.58	0.051	0.001	0.049
MCHC (g/dL)	33.01 ± 1.14	32.87 ± 1.13	32.56 ± 1.10	0.100	0.009	<0.001	32.19 ± 1.22	32.41 ± 1.09	32.34 ± 1.10	0.012	0.768	0.151
MCV (fL)	92.37 ± 8.11	92.22 ± 8.23	92.43 ± 8.33	0.862	0.765	0.562	92.64 ± 6.91	92.33 ± 6.77	91.41 ± 6.79	0.056	<0.001	0.001
Neutrophil Seg. (%)	59.89 ± 10.98	59.60 ± 11.13	61.32 ± 12.69	0.694	0.120	0.047	58.67 ± 9.97	58.85 ± 9.49	59.06 ± 9.33	0.731	0.838	0.717
Lymphocytes (%)	29.74 ± 10.80	29.82 ± 10.83	28.03 ± 11.54	0.745	0.081	0.035	29.96 ± 9.03	29.74 ± 8.43	30.04 ± 8.76	0.682	0.72	0.866
Monocytes (%)	6.77 ± 1.59	6.82 ± 1.61	6.84 ± 1.53	0.687	0.731	0.954	6.65 ± 1.60	6.67 ± 1.48	6.67 ± 1.61	0.981	0.992	0.762
Eosinophils (%)	2.95 ± 2.41	3.12 ± 2.69	2.83 ± 2.43	0.378	0.209	0.559	4.14 ± 5.25	4.14 ± 3.99	3.64 ± 2.55	0.096	0.823	0.261
Basophils (%)	0.66 ± 0.32	0.64 ± 0.30	0.64 ± 0.37	0.434	0.456	0.146	0.58 ± 0.32	0.60 ± 0.30	0.59 ± 0.32	0.269	0.816	0.854
RDW-CV (%)	13.85 ± 1.36	13.79 ± 1.37	13.76 ± 1.29	0.181	0.874	0.254	13.81 ± 1.94	13.68 ± 1.75	13.56 ± 1.65	0.089	0.907	0.25

Data are expressed as the mean ± standard deviation. The Shapiro-Wilk test was used to test determine the normality of the population. Data were compared by a paired *t*-test, *t*-test, or Wilcoxon signed-rank test.

ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; MCH, mean corpuscular hemoglobin; MCHC, mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration; MCV, mean corpuscular volume; RBCs, red blood cells; TC, total cholesterol; TIBC, total iron-binding capacity; WBCs, white blood cells; RDW-CV: red blood cell distribution width.

Supplementary Table S3. Effects of nutritional supplement drink (NSD) on the MOS 36-Item Short Form Health Survey (SF)-36 questionnaire of older nursing home residents at risk of malnutrition.

	NSD (N=50)							NE (N=39)							NSD × NE	
	Baseline			End			<i>p</i> value Baseline × End	Baseline			End			<i>p</i> value Baseline × End	Baseline	End
PF	76.83	±	21.36	84.50	±	18.47	0.001	86.41	±	3.24	85.25	±	3.80	0.020	0.328	0.009
RP	67.22	±	16.21	69.38	±	17.55	0.345	73.08	±	4.57	73.72	±	2.93	0.392	0.061	0.306
BP	87.96	±	14.92	92.96	±	10.96	0.061	96.21	±	7.05	94.62	±	8.35	0.359	0.006	0.614
GH	57.90	±	15.74	61.94	±	13.98	0.059	49.54	±	4.52	49.21	±	4.53	0.800	0.002	<0.001
VT	62.25	±	14.99	69.34	±	18.00	0.007	55.13	±	4.27	54.17	±	5.61	0.392	0.005	<0.001
SF	78.75	±	19.60	83.50	±	17.21	0.057	87.50	±	6.41	85.90	±	7.13	0.236	0.068	0.813
RE	69.79	±	17.67	73.00	±	11.49	0.368	74.36	±	4.00	73.93	±	3.91	0.157	0.145	0.451
MH	65.10	±	13.42	71.60	±	16.64	0.003	59.10	±	3.60	59.49	±	3.40	0.637	0.022	<0.001
PCS	51.23	±	6.09	53.03	±	5.04	0.015	54.04	±	1.33	53.67	±	1.22	0.201	0.011	0.511
MCS	45.77	±	7.52	48.12	±	7.00	0.020	43.69	±	1.27	43.57	±	1.47	0.497	0.026	0.002

Data are expressed as the mean ± standard deviation. The Shapiro-Wilk test was used to determine the normality of the population. Data were compared by a *t*-test, Mann-Whitney U test, paired *t*-test, or Wilcoxon signed-rank test. NE, nutritional education; PF, physical functioning; RP, role limitations of physical problems; BP, bodily pain; GH, general health; VT, vitality; SF, social functioning; RE, role emotional; MH, role emotional; PCS, physical component score; MCS, mental component score.

Supplementary Table S4. Changes in the MOS 36-Item Short Form Health Survey (SF)-36 questionnaire score after 12 weeks of nutritional supplement drink (NSD) in older nursing home residents at risk of malnutrition.

	NSD ( <i>N</i> =50)			NE ( <i>N</i> =39)			NSD × NE
	Δ week 12 - baseline			Δ week 12 - baseline			<i>p</i> value
PF	7.67	±	14.23	-1.15	±	2.92	<0.001
RP	3.50	±	22.84	0.64	±	4.92	0.170
BP	5.00	±	17.86	-1.59	±	10.20	0.053
GH	4.04	±	14.79	-0.33	±	5.21	0.128
VT	7.09	±	17.53	-0.96	±	6.65	0.011
SF	4.75	±	17.84	-1.60	±	8.20	0.011
RE	6.00	±	23.27	-0.43	±	1.86	0.089
MH	6.50	±	13.41	0.38	±	3.87	0.002
PCS	1.81	±	4.84	-0.37	±	1.77	0.005
MCS	2.35	±	6.90	-0.12	±	1.63	0.018

Data were calculated by the value of week 12 – the baseline and are expressed as the mean ± standard deviation. The Shapiro-Wilk test was used to determine the normality of the population. Data were compared by a *t*-test or Mann-Whitney U test. NE, nutritional education; PF, physical functioning; RP, role limitations of physical problems; BP, bodily pain; GH, general health; VT, vitality; SF, social functioning; RE, role emotional; MH, role emotional; PCS, physical component score; MCS, mental component score.

Supplementary Table S5. Correlations of components of the MOS 36-Item Short Form Health Survey (SF)-36 questionnaire with the nutritional status, physical performance, vitamin D, and nutritional supplement drink (NSD).

	MNA-SF		BMI		Grip strength		Walking speed		Albumin		Vitamin D		NSD	
	r	p value	r	p value	r	p value	r	p value	r	p value	r	p value	r	p- value
PF	0.371	<0.001	0.111	0.302	0.145	0.175	0.493	<0.001	0.114	0.286	-0.029	0.787	0.278	0.008
RP	-0.089	0.408	-0.090	0.403	0.151	0.158	0.079	0.462	0.013	0.907	-0.099	0.354	-0.109	0.309
BP	0.029	0.787	0.036	0.739	-0.132	0.217	0.055	0.609	0.105	0.326	-0.169	0.113	-0.054	0.617
GH	0.334	0.001	-0.076	0.477	0.256	0.015	0.300	0.004	0.235	0.026	0.046	0.668	0.528	<0.001
VT	0.299	0.004	-0.052	0.627	0.071	0.507	0.113	0.292	0.027	0.799	0.046	0.670	0.457	<0.001
SF	-0.084	0.436	-0.090	0.401	0.014	0.894	0.138	0.198	-0.016	0.884	0.047	0.662	0.025	0.815
RE	-0.123	0.251	-0.186	0.081	0.048	0.658	0.093	0.389	0.127	0.235	0.008	0.942	0.080	0.454
MH	0.271	0.010	-0.095	0.377	0.002	0.988	0.065	0.547	0.051	0.632	0.096	0.372	0.374	<0.001
PCS	0.141	0.187	0.098	0.363	0.132	0.218	0.479	<0.001	0.106	0.322	-0.156	0.144	0.070	0.514
MCS	0.065	0.546	-0.162	0.129	-0.040	0.710	-0.049	0.646	-0.005	0.964	0.127	0.236	0.332	0.001

Data were analyzed by Spearman's rank correlation and were compared to each item in the SF-36 questionnaire ( $N=89$ ). BMI, body-mass index; MNA-SF, Mini-Nutritional Assessment Short Form; PF, physical functioning; RP, role limitations of physical problems; BP, bodily pain; GH, general health; VT, vitality; SF, social functioning; RE, role emotional; MH, role emotional; PCS, physical component score; MCS, mental component score.

Supplementary Table S6. Correlations of albumin levels with muscle mass, physical function, frailty, and the nutrition status.

	Baseline		6 <sup>th</sup> week		End	
	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i> value	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i> value	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i> value
Calf circumference	0.345	<0.001	0.260	0.007	0.289	0.003
ASMI	0.289	0.002	0.185	0.056	0.190	0.050
Grip strength	0.304	0.001	0.023	0.815	0.242	0.012
Walking speed (m/s)	0.361	<0.001	0.192	0.047	0.210	0.030
SOF	-0.019	0.848	0.077	0.429	0.157	0.107
MNA-SF	0.221	0.022	0.160	0.101	0.233	0.016

Data were analyzed by Spearman's rank correlation and were compared to the albumin level ( $N=107$ ). ASMI, appendicular skeletal muscle index; SOF, study of osteoporotic fractures; MNA-SF, Mini-Nutritional Assessment Short Form.