

Table S1. Results of individual studies (extended version).

Davis, et al. [1], 2011						
	Once-weekly ST		Twice-weekly ST		Twice-weekly balance and tone	
Total number of falls	30		32 ^a		38	
Falls rate per person	0.56		0.62		0.78	
Incidence Rate Ratio (falls)	-27% (0.73; 95%IC = 0.44 – 1.23) ^{ns}		-12% (0.88; 95%IC = 0.67 – 1.16) ^{ns}		Reference	
Secondary outcomes						
Cost-effectiveness #1 (SF-6D and cost data in \$ USD)	-26% (95%IC = -25% – -27%)		-10%; (95%IC = -5% – -14%)		Reference	
Cost-effectiveness #2 (EQ-5D and cost data in \$ USD)	-25% (95%IC = -23% – -27%)		-13% (95%IC = -9% – -18%)		Reference	
	ES	(95% CI)	ES	(95% CI)	ES	(95% CI)
Change in whole-brain volume from baseline (%)	-0.45	(-0.68 – -0.22)	-0.50	(-0.74 – -0.27)	0.00	(-0.23 – 0.23)
Stroop test (s)	-0.37	(-0.76 – 0.03)	-0.27	(-0.66 – 0.13)	-0.01	(-0.42 – 0.40)
Trail Making Test (s)	-0.27	(-0.67 – 0.12)	-0.31	(-0.71 – 0.09)	-0.33	(-0.74 – 0.09)
Verbal digit span test (score where lower difference is better)	-0.05	(-0.44 – 0.34)	0.18	(-0.22 – 0.57)	0.36	(-0.06 – 0.77)
Gait speed (m/s)	1.00	(0.59 – 1.41)	1.00	(0.58 – 1.42)	1.00	(0.56 – 1.44)
1-RM (N)^b	0.77	(0.23 – 1.31)	0.99	(0.43 – 1.54)	0.23	(-0.32 – 0.78)
Peak muscle power (W)^c	-0.29	(-0.82 – 0.23)	0.46	(-0.07 – 1.00)	-0.51	(-1.06 – 0.05)
Liang, et al. [2], 2020						
Primary outcomes		ST Group		ST + Balance Group		
Fallers		23% (7/30)		13% (4/30)		
Risk ratio (RR)	+ 11% (0.89; 95%IC = 0.69 – 1.13) ^{ns}			Reference		
Secondary outcomes		ES	(95% CI)	ES	(95% CI)	
MRMI from baseline (score)	0.22	(-0.05 – 0.50)	0.51	(0.22 – 0.80)		

Barthel Index score (points)	0.50	(-0.01 – 1.02)	0.69	(0.16 – 1.21)		
Gait speed (m/s)	0.31	(-0.19 – 0.82)	0.71	(0.19 – 1.23)		
Handgrip strength (kg)	0.23	(-0.28 – 0.73)	0.73	(0.21 – 1.25)		
SPPB (score)	0.47	(-0.04 – 0.98)	1.17	(0.62 – 1.71)		
Berg balance (score)	0.42	(-0.10 – 0.93)	0.72	(0.20 – 1.24)		
TUG (score)	-0.27	(-0.78 – 0.24)	-0.54	(-1.05 – -0.02)		
Liu-Ambrose, et al. [3], 2004						
Primary outcomes		ST Group		Stretching Group		Agility Group
Total number of falls	18 (one subject fell seven times)			10		11
Frequent fallers^d	9% (3/32)			6% (2/32)		15% (5/34)
PPA fall-risk scores	-57%			-20%		-48%
	ES	(95% CI)		ES	(95% CI)	ES
Fall-risk score (points)	-1.39	(-1.94 – -0.84)		-0.39	(-0.89 – 0.10)	-0.78
Secondary outcomes						
Postural sway (mm)	-0.80	(-1.31 – -0.29)		0.00	(-0.49 – 0.49)	-0.74
Quadriceps strength (kg)	0.21	(-0.28 – 0.71)		0.21	(-0.29 – 0.70)	0.03
Hand reaction time (ms)	-1.25	(-1.78 – -0.71)		-0.51	(-1.01 – -0.02)	-0.74
Proprioception (deg)	-0.41	(-0.90 – 0.09)		0.09	(-0.40 – 0.58)	-0.25
Edge contrast (dB)	0.65	(0.15 – 1.15)		0.35	(-0.14 – 0.84)	0.56
Dorsiflexion strength (kg)	0.51	(0.01 – 1.01)		0.34	(-0.16 – 0.83)	0.62
Foot reaction time (ms)	-0.67	(-1.18 – -0.17)		-0.31	(-0.80 – 0.19)	-0.39
CB&M scale (out of 85 points)	0.30	(-0.19 – 0.80)		0.26	(-0.23 – 0.75)	0.53
Tuunainen, et al. [4], 2013						
Primary outcomes		ST Group		Self-administered training Group		ST + Balance Group
Fallers (follow up)	7			14		6
Frequent fallers^e (follow up)	6			9		5
Total number of falls (range in follow up)	42 (1–21)			64 (1–30)		24 (1–8)
Mean risk of fall	0.47 ± 0.52			0.73 ± 0.37		0.42 ± 0.49
Secondary outcomes	ES	(95% CI)		ES	(95% CI)	ES
15D HRQoL (score)	-1.18	(-1.91 – -0.45)		-0.42	(-1.07 – -0.23)	-0.55
Woo, et al. [5], 2007						

Primary outcomes	ST Group		Tai Chi Group		Control Group	
	24 (24/60)		15 (15/60)		31 (31/60)	
Total number of falls	Female ES (95% CI)	Male ES (95% CI)	Female ES (95% CI)	Male ES (95% CI)	Female ES (95% CI)	Male ES (95% CI)
Secondary outcomes						
Percentage change of BMD (hip) from baseline	0.02 (-0.25 – 0.29)	-0.44 (-0.73 – -0.15)	0.02 (-0.26 – 0.29)	-0.18 (-0.45 – -0.09)	-0.52 (-0.80 – -0.23)	0.00 (-0.28 – 0.27)
Percentage change of BMD (spine) from baseline	0.57 (0.28 – 0.86)	0.42 (0.14 – 0.71)	0.03 (-0.25 – 0.31)	0.46 (0.18 – 0.75)	0.29 (0.01 – 0.56)	0.18 (-0.10 – 0.46)
Handgrip strength (dominant hand; kg from baseline)	0.33 (0.05 – 0.61)	0.43 (0.14 – 0.71)	0.38 (0.09 – 0.67)	0.58 (0.28 – 0.87)	0.25 (-0.02 – 0.53)	0.69 (0.39 – 1.00)
Mean of strength of both quadriceps (kg from baseline)	0.33 (0.05 – 0.60)	0.30 (0.01 – 0.58)	0.34 (0.06 – 0.63)	0.25 (-0.03 – 0.52)	0.45 (0.17 – 0.73)	0.31 (0.03 – 0.59)
Balance (By Smart Balance; 1-100)	0.61 (0.31 – 0.90)	0.49 (0.20 – 0.78)	0.29 (0.01 – 0.58)	0.28 (0.01 – 0.56)	0.47 (0.19 – 0.76)	0.20 (-0.08 – 0.48)
Mean of both leg single stance (s)	0.40 (0.12 – 0.68)	0.49 (0.19 – 0.78)	0.17 (-0.11 – 0.45)	0.48 (0.19 – 0.76)	0.32 (0.05 – 0.60)	0.46 (0.17 – 0.75)
Single stance in dominant leg (s)	0.20 (-0.08 – 0.48)	0.30 (0.01 – 0.58)	0.08 (-0.20 – 0.36)	0.40 (0.11 – 0.67)	0.30 (0.02 – 0.58)	0.45 (0.16 – 0.74)
Body flexibility (hamstring; cm)	-0.37 (-0.65 – -0.09)	-0.28 (-0.56 – 0.00)	-0.40 (-0.69 – -0.11)	-0.41 (-0.69 – -0.13)	-0.31 (-0.58 – -0.03)	-0.09 (-0.36 – 0.19)

* = $P < 0.05$; ns = non-significant; ^a = 38 and 32 excluding outlier with falls rate per person of 0.73 before excluded outlier; ^b = For this analysis, once-weekly ST at PRE (n = 30) and POST (n = 27), Twice-weekly ST at PRE (n = 31) and POST (n = 25); ^c = For this analysis, once-weekly ST at PRE (n = 29) and POST (n = 27), twice-weekly ST at PRE (n = 30) and POST (n = 25); ^d = who had more than one fall during the intervention period; USD = US dollars (the conversion rate to USD at 2008 purchasing power parity is \$ 1 Canadian Dollar = \$ 0.77 USD); MRMI = modified Rivermead Mobility Index; SPPB =short physical performance test; TUG= timed up to go test; PPA = Physiological Profile Assessment; CB&M scale = Community Balance and Mobility Scale score; 15D HRQoL = health related quality of life with 15 dimensions; BMD = bone mineral density.

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