

**Table S1.** Baseline characteristics and intervention details of included studies

Study	Country	Sample size	Age (y), mean $\pm$ SD; median (range)	Diagnostic criteria	Cognitive impairment	Intervention	Setting	Trainer	Intervention Details for IG				Measurement Instrument
									Duration	Days per week	Minutes per session	Intensity	
Arcoverde et al. (2013)	Brazil	IG = 10	IG: 78.5 (64.0-81.2)	NINCDS-ADRDA criteria NINDS-AIREN criteria	Mild	IG: treadmill walking CG: usual treatment	Hospital	PT, PE	16 w	2	30	Moderate: 60% $\text{VO}_{2\text{max}}$	MMSE, CAMCOG, CDT, VF, Stroop
		CG = 10	CG: 79.0 (74.7-82.2)										
Kim et al. (2016)	South Korea	IG = 19	IG: 81.9 $\pm$ 7.0	Clinical diagnosis of dementia	Moderate	IG: lower-limb aerobic exercise using bike + MCP CG: multi component intervention (MCP)	Nursing institution	PT, paramedic	24 w	5	60	Moderate: 40-60% $\text{HR}_{\text{max}}$	MMSE, ADAS-Cog, CDT
Hoffmann et al. (2016)	Denmark	IG = 107	IG: 69.8 $\pm$ 7.4	NINCDS-ADRDA criteria	Mild	IG: aerobic exercise on ergometer bicycle, cross trainer, and treadmill CG: usual treatment	Community	PT	16 w	3	60	Moderate-High: 70-80% $\text{HR}_{\text{max}}$	MMSE, SDMT, ADAS-Cog, VF, Stroop,
		CG = 93	CG: 71.3 $\pm$ 7.3										
Yu et al. (2020)	USA	IG = 53	IG: 77.0 $\pm$ 6.6	Clinical Dementia Rating scale	Moderate	IG: aerobic exercise on a stationary recumbent bicycle CG: stretching (attention control)	Elderly community	Trained staff	24 w	3	60	Moderate: 50-70% HRR or score of 9-15 on the Borg rating of perceived exercise (RPE) scale	ADAS-Cog
		CG = 25	CG: 78.9 $\pm$ 5.6										
Yang et al. (2015)	China	IG = 25	IG: 72.00 $\pm$ 6.69	NINDS-AIREN criteria	Mild	IG: cycling training CG: health education	Rehabilitation Clinic	Professional therapist	12 w	3	40	Moderate: 70% $\text{HR}_{\text{max}}$	MMSE, ADAS-Cog,
		CG = 25	CG: 71.92 $\pm$ 7.28										
Fang Yu et al. (2021)	USA	IG = 64	IG: 77.4 $\pm$ 6.6	Clinical Dementia Rating scale	Mild	IG: cycling CG: stretching	Gymnasium, Elderly community	Trained staff	24 w	3	50	Moderate: 50-70% HRR or score of 9-15 on the Borg rating of perceived exercise (RPE) scale	ADAS-Cog
		CG = 32	CG: 77.5 $\pm$ 7.1										
Sobol et al. (2018)	Denmark	IG = 26	IG: 69.2 $\pm$ 6.9	NINCDS-ADRDA criteria	Mild	IG: aerobic exercise on ergometer bicycle, cross trainer, and treadmill CG: usual care	Not mentioned	PT	16 w	3	60	Moderate-High: 70-80% $\text{HR}_{\text{max}}$	SDMT
		CG = 29	CG: 68.9 $\pm$ 7.2										
Vidoni et al. (2019)	USA	IG = 33	IG: 74.1 $\pm$ 6.8	Clinical Dementia Rating scale	Mild	IG: aerobic exercise CG: ST	Professional sports organization	Certified Personal Coach	26 w	3-5	30-50	Moderate: 60-75% HRR	DAD
		CG = 32	CG: 71.1 $\pm$ 8.8										
Morris et al. (2017)	USA	IG = 39	IG: 74.4 $\pm$ 6.7	Clinical Dementia Rating scale	Mild	IG: aerobic exercise CG: ST	Professional sports organization	Certified Personal Coach	26 w	3-5	30-50	Moderate: 60-75% HRR	DAD, MMSE
		CG = 37	CG: 71.4 $\pm$ 8.7										

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Cott et al. (2002)	Canada	IG = 30	IG: 83.23 ± 8.34	Medical diagnosis of AD	Severe	IG: walk and talk	Community	Trained staff	16 w	5	30	Not mentioned	FACSM
		CG = 25	CG: 79.78 ± 8.30			CG: no intervention							
Holthoff et al. (2015)	Germany	IG = 15	IG: 72.40 ± 4.34	NINCDS-ADRDA criteria	Mild	IG: lower body training on the movement trainer	Community	Family caregiver	12 w	3	30	Not mentioned	MMSE
		CG = 15	CG: 70.67 ± 5.41			CG: usual care							
Kemoun et al. (2010)	France	IG = 20	IG: 82.0 ± 5.80	DSM IV criteria	Moderate	IG: exercises on walking, equilibrium, and stamina.	Nursing home	Not mentioned	15 w	3	60	Moderate: 60-70% HR	ERFC
		CG = 18	CG: 81.7 ± 5.10			CG: not practice any physical activities							
Venturelli et al. (2011)	Italy	IG = 11	IG: 83.00 ± 6.00	Clinical Dementia Rating scale	Moderate	IG: walking	Hospital	Paramedic	24 w	4	30	Not mentioned	MMSE
		CG = 10	CG: 75.00 ± 5.00			CG: usual care							
Venturelli et al. (2016)	Italy	IG-AE = 20	IG-AE: 84.00 ± 7.00	Clinical diagnosis of dementia	Moderate	IG: walking	Hospital	Paramedic	12 w	5	60	Moderate-High: Not mentioned	MMSE
		CG = 20	CG: 84.00 ± 10.00			CG: usual care							
Enette et al. (2020)	France	IG-CAT=14	IG-CAT: 74 (68-83)	DSM IV criteria	Moderate	IG-CAT: continuous aerobic training	Not mentioned	PT	9 w	3	30	Moderate: IG-CAT, 70% HRmax	MMSE
		IG-IAT = 17	IG-IAT: 79 (75-82)			IG-IAT: interval aerobic training							
		CG = 21	CG: 79 (75-84)			CG: health education						Moderate-High: IG-IAT, 80% HRmax	

**Note:** Cognitive impairment level is classified by the average Mini-Mental State Exam score of participants (20 to 30: mild; 10 to 20: moderate; < 10: severe).

**Abbreviations:** IG, intervention group; CG, control group; w, week (s); y, years; SD, standard deviation; MCP, consisted of music therapy, art therapy, horticulture therapy, handicraft, recreational therapy, stretching, laughing therapy, and activity therapy; ST, stretching and toning (nonaerobic exercises that core strengthening, resistance bands, modified tai chi, and modified yoga); MMSE, Mini-Mental State Examination; CAMCOG, CAMCOG-CANDEX, Cambridge Examination for Mental Disorders of the Elderly; CDT: Clock Drawing Test; VF, verbal fluency test; Stroop, Stroop Color and Word test; ADAS-Cog, Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-Cognitive Subscale; SDMT, Symbol Digit Modalities Test; DAD, Disability Assessment for Dementia; FACSM, Functional Assessment of Communication Skills Mental Subscale; ERFC, Rapid Evaluation of Cognitive Function; NINCDS-ADRDA, Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association; NINDS-AIREN, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke-Association Internationale pour la Recherche et l' Enseignement en Neurosciences; DSM IV, Diagnostic and Statistical Manual-fourth edition; PT, Physical therapist; PE, Physical educator