

**TABLE 5**Age-adjusted  $K_i$  values (and their 95% CIs) of specific metabolic rates of major organs and tissues<sup>1</sup>

| Organ/tissue | Elia's $K_i$ value<br>$kcal \cdot kg^{-1} \cdot d^{-1}$ | 21–30 y (young)<br>$kcal \cdot kg^{-1} \cdot d^{-1}$ | 31–50 y (middle-age)<br>$kcal \cdot kg^{-1} \cdot d^{-1}$ | 51–73 y<br>$kcal \cdot kg^{-1} \cdot d^{-1}$ |
|--------------|---|--|---|--|
| Liver        | 200   | 202 (199, 205)                                       | 199 (197, 202)  | 194 (191, 197)                               |
| Brain        | 240   | 242 (238, 245)                                       | 239 (236, 242)  | 233 (229, 236)                               |
| Heart        | 440   | 443 (437, 450)                                       | 438 (432, 444)  | 426 (420, 433)                               |
| Kidneys      | 440   | 443 (437, 450)                                       | 438 (432, 444)  | 426 (420, 433)                               |
| SM           | 13  | 13.1 (12.9, 13.3)                                    | 12.9 (12.8, 13.1)   | 12.6 (12.4, 12.8)                            |
| AT           | 4.5   | 4.54 (4.47, 4.60)                                    | 4.48 (4.42, 4.54)   | 4.36 (4.29, 4.43)                            |
| Res          | 12  | 12.1 (11.9, 12.3)                                    | 12.0 (11.8, 12.1)   | 11.6 (11.4, 11.8)                            |

<sup>1</sup> AT, adipose tissue; Res, residual mass; SM, skeletal muscle.