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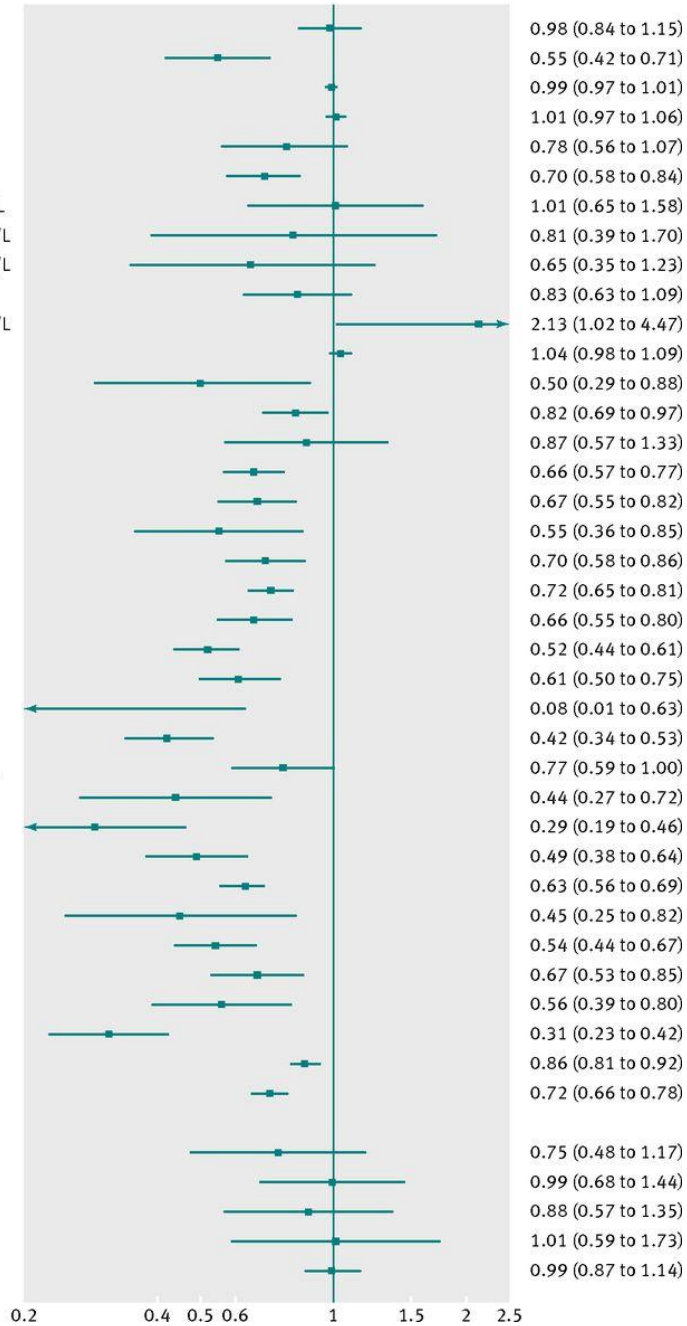
Σύγκριση συμφερόντων

Καμία για την παρουσίαση αυτή.

*“Knowing is not enough; we must apply.
Willing is not enough; we must do.”*

—Goethe

Outcome	No of events/ total	No of studies	Comparison	Relative risk (95% CI)	Relative risk (95% CI)
25OHD					
Aggressive prostate cancer ⁷⁶	871/4524	6	Per 10 ng/mL		0.98 (0.84 to 1.15)
Breast cancer ¹⁰¹	11 771/26 317	21	Quarters		0.55 (0.42 to 0.71)
Postmenopausal breast cancer ¹⁰⁵	3929/8766	9	Per 5 ng/mL		0.99 (0.97 to 1.01)
Pre-menopausal breast cancer ¹⁰⁵	1613/2890	6	Per 5 ng/mL		1.01 (0.97 to 1.06)
Colon cancer ³⁵	1822/4578	10	Categories		0.78 (0.56 to 1.07)
Colorectal cancer ⁷⁹	2764/6712	10	Categories		0.70 (0.58 to 0.84)
Kidney cancer ⁷⁴	740/1480	6	≥75 v 50-75 nmol/L		1.01 (0.65 to 1.58)
Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma ⁸⁶	18/39	4	>100 v 50-75 nmol/L		0.81 (0.39 to 1.70)
Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma ⁸⁶	25/65	6	>100 v 50-75 nmol/L		0.65 (0.35 to 1.23)
Ovarian cancer ⁹⁶	884/2489	10	Per 20 ng/mL		0.83 (0.63 to 1.09)
Pancreatic cancer ⁸⁸	866/2113	6	>100 v 50-75 nmol/L		2.13 (1.02 to 4.47)
Prostate cancer ⁷⁶	4353/28 988	14	Per 10 ng/mL		1.04 (0.98 to 1.09)
Rectal cancer ³⁵	868/2050	9	Categories		0.50 (0.29 to 0.88)
Sporadic cancer ⁹⁵	2923/6268	9	Per 20 ng/mL		0.82 (0.69 to 0.97)
Sporadic cancer recurrence ⁹⁵	586/1366	3	Per 20 ng/mL		0.87 (0.57 to 1.33)
Cardiovascular disease ¹⁰²	6123/66 488	19	Categories		0.66 (0.57 to 0.77)
Cardiovascular disease (prevalent) ⁸³	-/64 722	16	Categories		0.67 (0.55 to 0.82)
Cardiovascular disease mortality ⁷⁸	2007/24 387	5	Categories		0.55 (0.36 to 0.85)
Hypertension ¹⁰⁴	4965/48 633	7	Categories		0.70 (0.58 to 0.86)
Ischaemic heart disease ⁶⁶	8376/82 982	19	Quarters		0.72 (0.65 to 0.81)
Ischaemic stroke (hazard ratio) ¹⁰⁰	1800/26 596	4	Quarters		0.66 (0.55 to 0.80)
Ischaemic stroke (odds ratio) ¹⁰⁰	844/31 858	5	Quarters		0.52 (0.44 to 0.61)
Stroke ⁸⁹	1214/39 095	7	Categories		0.61 (0.50 to 0.75)
Alzheimer's disease ⁹⁹	357/1005	7	Per SD		0.08 (0.01 to 0.63)
Cognition ⁷¹	1217/9004	7	Quarters		0.42 (0.34 to 0.53)
Depression ⁹⁸	2051/19 807	9	<50 v > 50 nmol/L		0.77 (0.59 to 1.00)
Depression ⁹⁸	617/8815	3	<50 v >50 nmol/L		0.44 (0.27 to 0.72)
Tuberculosis ⁸²	308/534	7	Per SD		0.29 (0.19 to 0.46)
Metabolic syndrome (prevalent) ⁸³	-/31 416	8	Categories		0.49 (0.38 to 0.64)
Type 2 diabetes ¹⁰³	4877/72 204	16	Categories		0.63 (0.56 to 0.69)
Type 2 diabetes (prevalent) ⁸³	-/11 892	9	Categories		0.45 (0.25 to 0.82)
Small for gestational age ³⁶	-/6851	6	Categories		0.54 (0.44 to 0.67)
Gestational diabetes ³⁶	687/4112	10	Categories		0.67 (0.53 to 0.85)
Pre-eclampsia ³⁶	393/3230	9	Categories		0.56 (0.39 to 0.80)
Fractures ⁹¹	1572/2956	28	Per SD		0.31 (0.23 to 0.42)
Mortality in chronic kidney disease patients ⁸⁴	2110/6853	10	Per 10 ng/mL		0.86 (0.81 to 0.92)
All cause mortality ⁶⁶	15 447/77 155	18	Quarters		0.72 (0.66 to 0.78)
1,25(OH)2D					
Aggressive prostate cancer ⁷⁶	696/1488	2	Per 10 ng/mL		0.75 (0.48 to 1.17)
Breast cancer ⁶⁸	1802/3627	3	Categories		0.99 (0.68 to 1.44)
Colon cancer ³⁵	-/-	4	Categories		0.88 (0.57 to 1.35)
Colorectal cancer ³⁵	-/-	4	Categories		1.01 (0.59 to 1.73)
Prostate cancer ⁷⁶	1361/3640	7	Per 10 ng/mL		0.99 (0.87 to 1.14)



Health outcomes associated with vit D

Meta-analyses of observational studies stratified by measured biomarker with relative risk as type of metric

Συσχέτιση δεν σημαίνει αιτιότητα



DRY, HOT AND SUNNY
SUMMER WEATHER



ICE CREAM

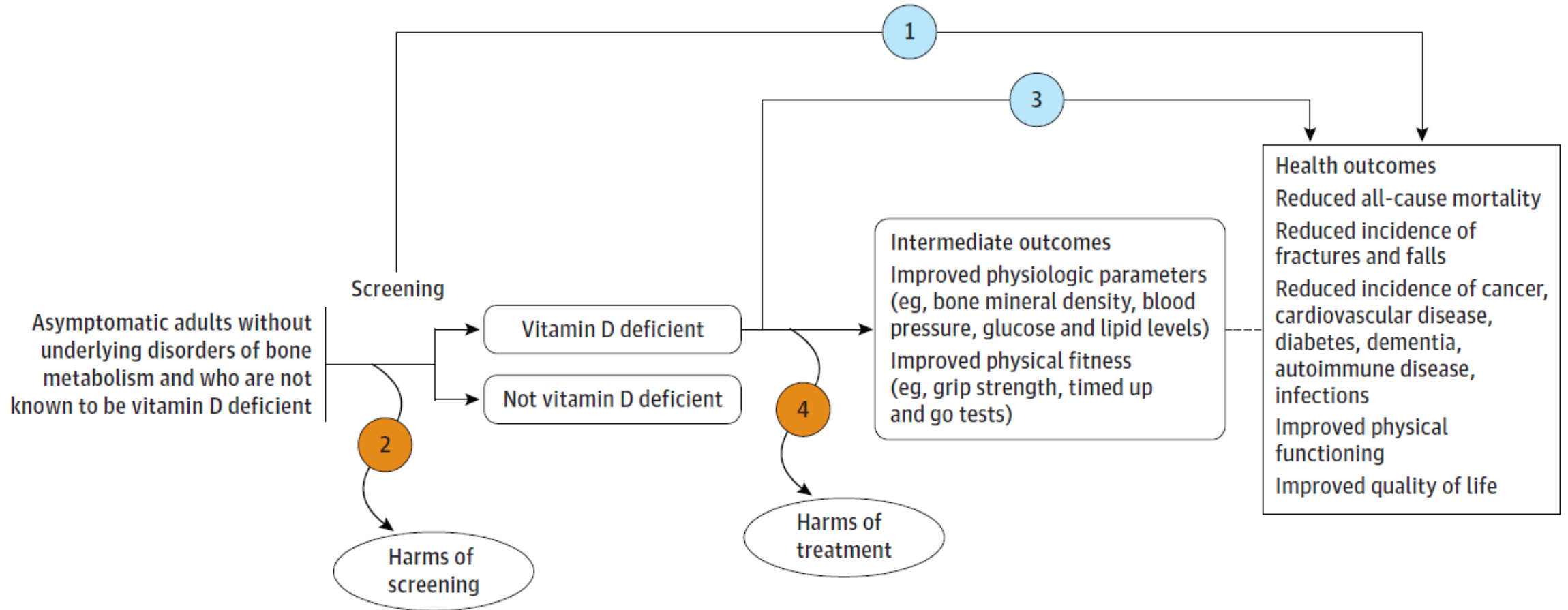


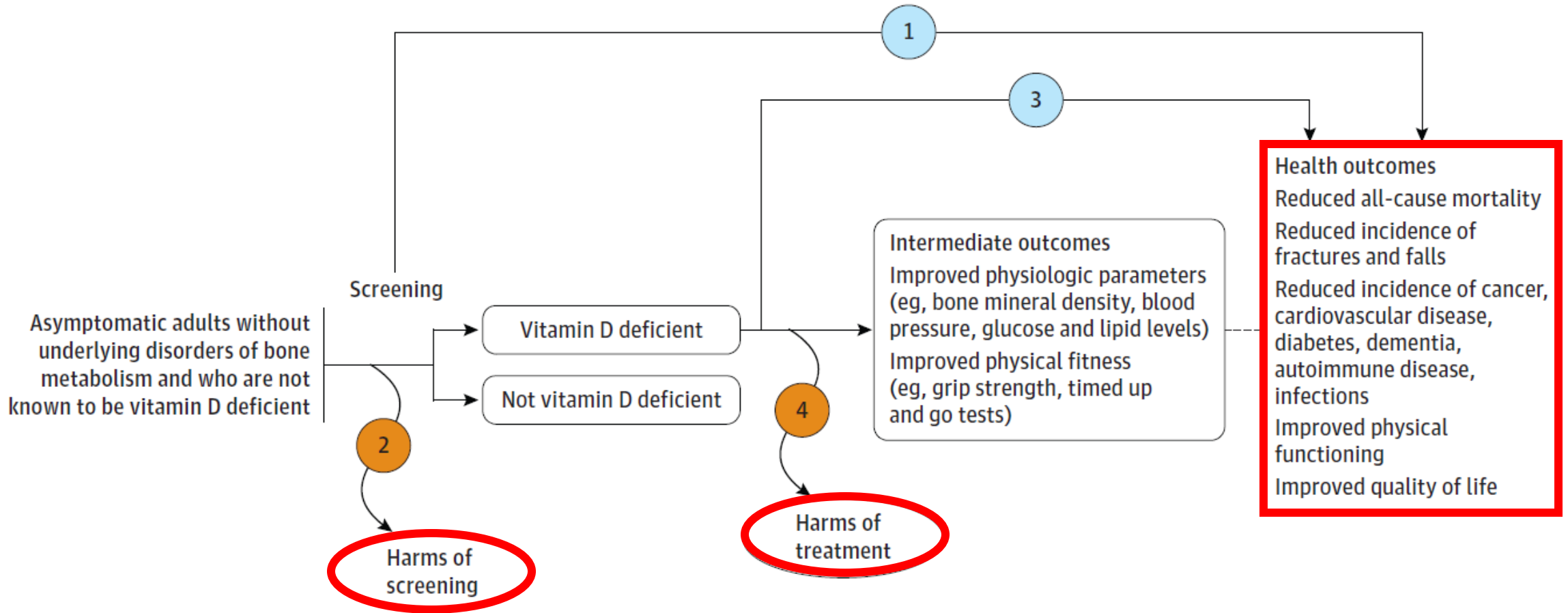
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Agenda

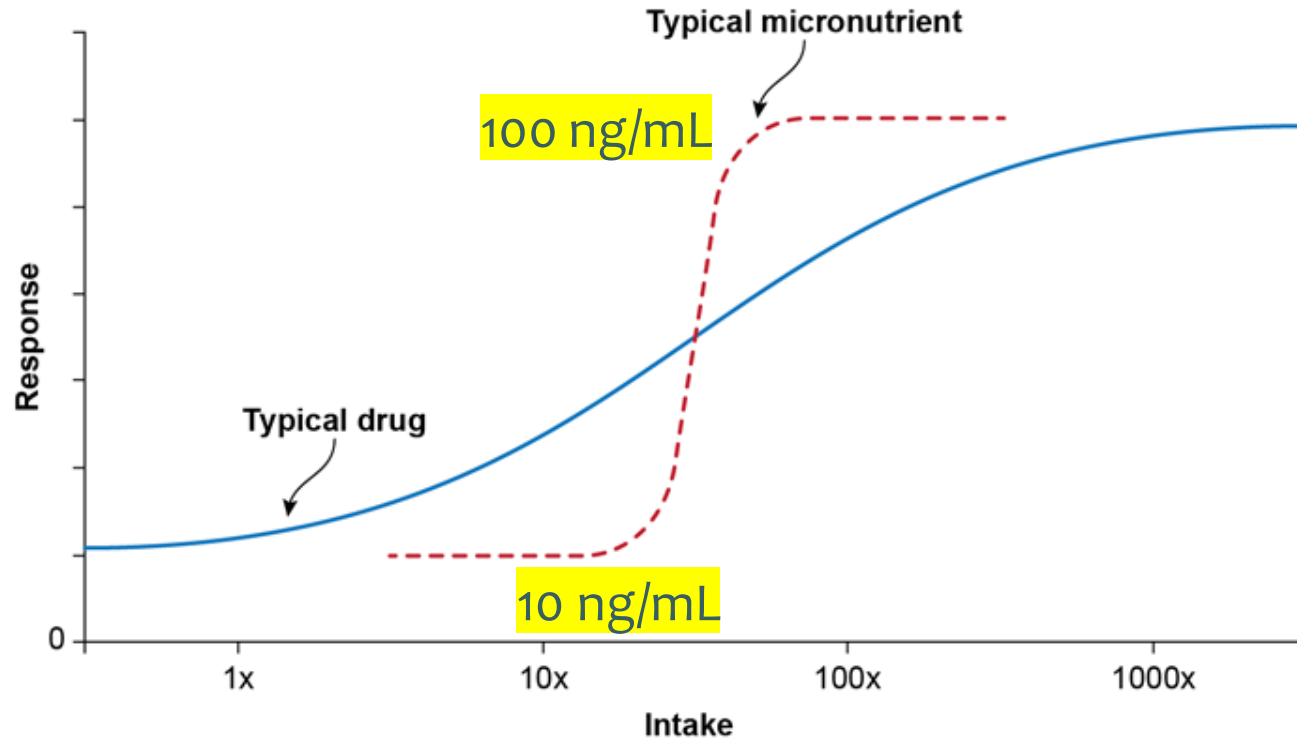
- Who should be screened?
- By what method?
- What time of year?
- What are the normal values?
- When should we treat?
- How should we treat?
- Does D3 supplementation prevent autoimmune disease?





Limitations of RCTs, observational studies and meta-analyses

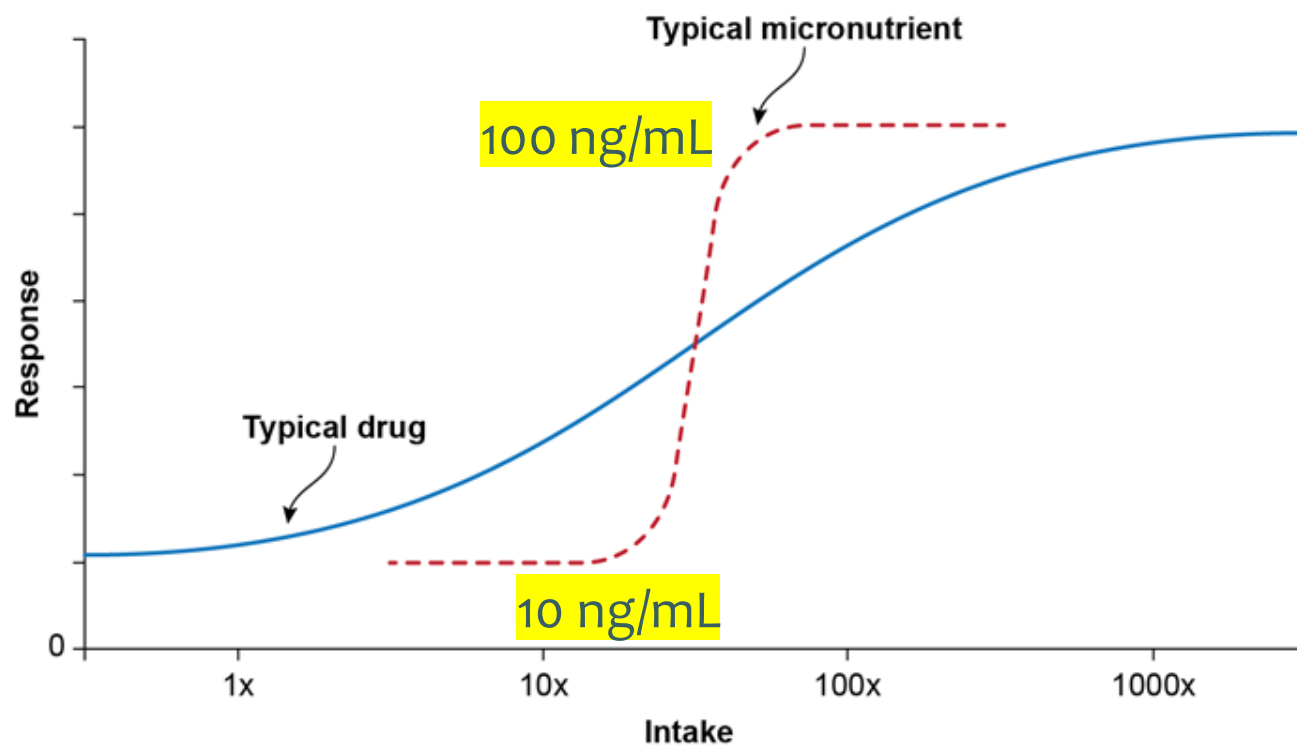
1. Wrong dose (too high or too low)
2. Wrong part of the dose-response curve
3. Low compliance rate
4. Contamination (placebo group)
5. Wrong part of natural history
6. Insufficient duration



Καμπύλη δόσης-ανταπόκρισης Φάρμακα vs συμπληρώματα θρεπτικών συστατικών

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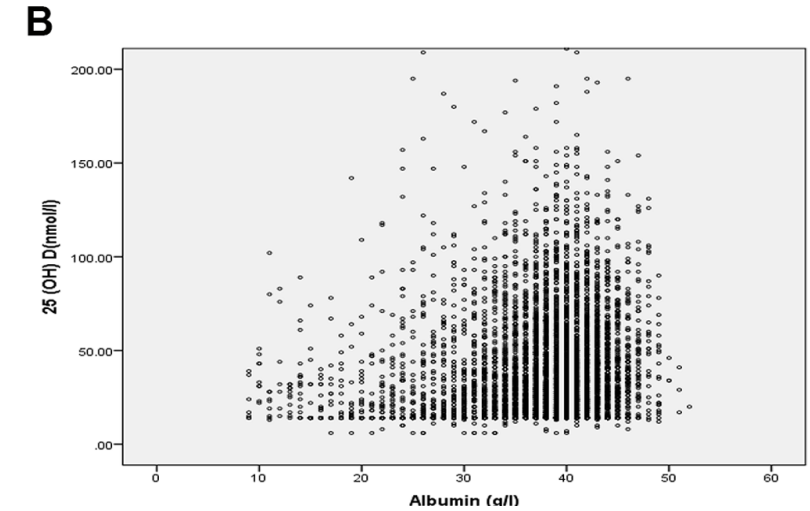
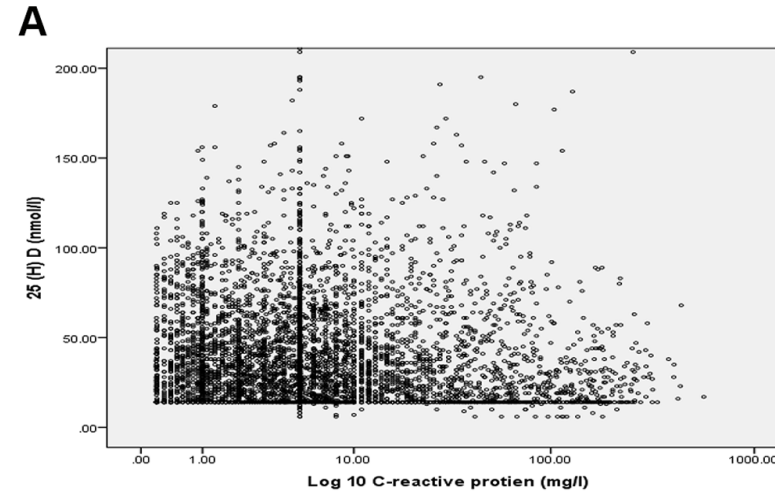


Dose to maintain 10 ng/mL:
1000 IU/day

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Vit D is a negative acute phase reactant

Ghushut, Plos One 2014



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Who should be screened?

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All individuals at risk (not everyone)

Those more likely to benefit from vit D supplementation

TABLE 2. Indications for 25(OH)D measurement
(candidates for screening)

Rickets
Osteomalacia
Osteoporosis
Chronic kidney disease
Hepatic failure
Malabsorption syndromes
 Cystic fibrosis
 Inflammatory bowel disease
 Crohn's disease
 Bariatric surgery
 Radiation enteritis
Hyperparathyroidism
Medications
 Antiseizure medications
 Glucocorticoids
 AIDS medications
 Antifungals, e.g. ketoconazole
 Cholestyramine
African-American and Hispanic children and adults
Pregnant and lactating women
Older adults with history of falls
Older adults with history of nontraumatic fractures
Obese children and adults (BMI > 30 kg/m²)
Granuloma-forming disorders
 Sarcoidosis
 Tuberculosis
 Histoplasmosis
 Coccidiomycosis
 Berylliosis
Some lymphomas

**US Endocrine Society guideline,
Holick et al,
J Clin Endocrinol Metabol 2011**

Use 25 (OH) D for screening, rather than total vit D or 1,25 (OH)₂ D

Use 1,25 (OH)₂ D only in:

chronic kidney disease,

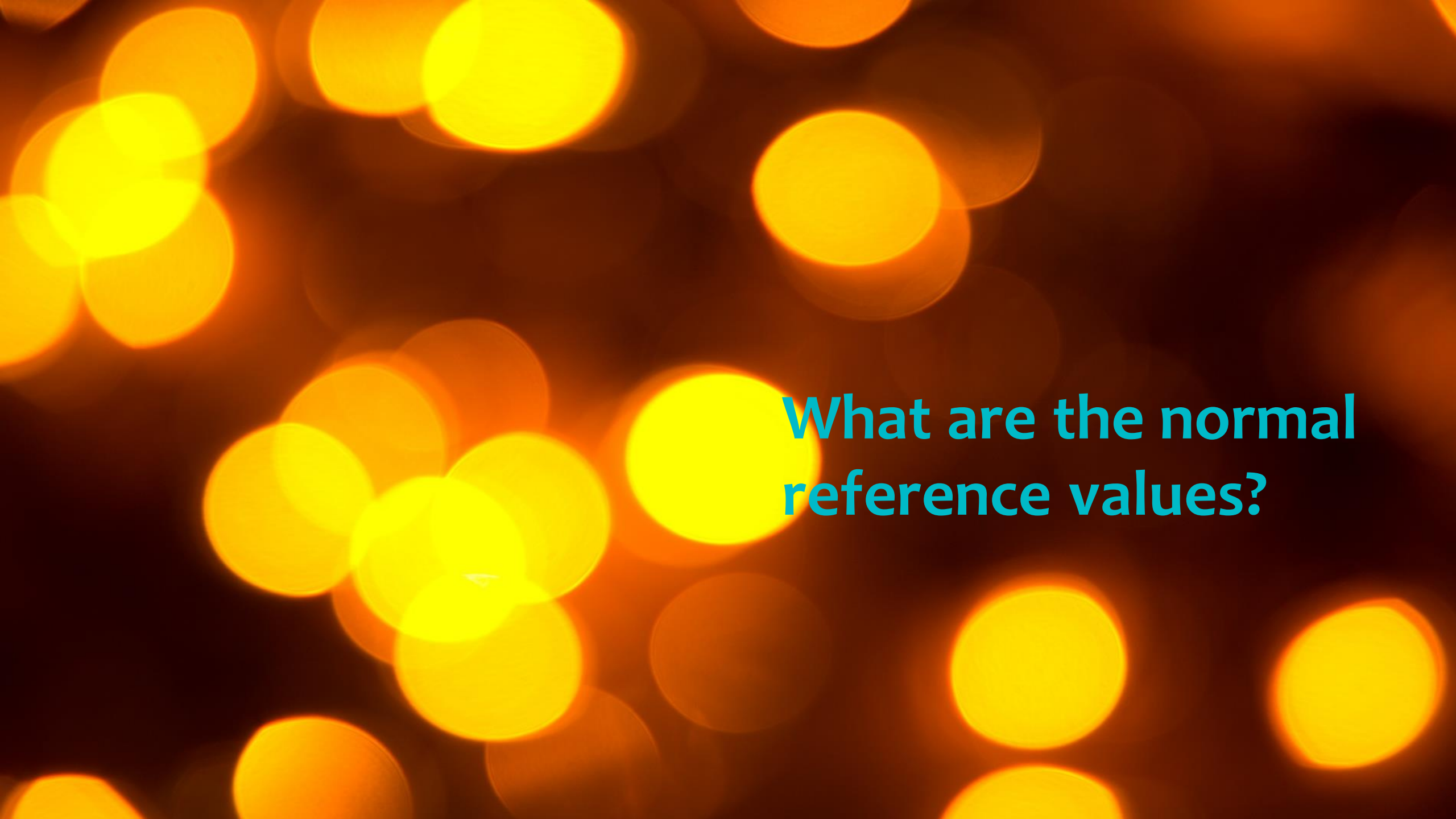
hereditary phosphate-losing disorders,

oncogenic osteomalacia,

pseudovitamin D-deficiency rickets,

vitamin D-resistant rickets,

Chronic granuloma forming disorders such as sarcoidosis and some lymphomas

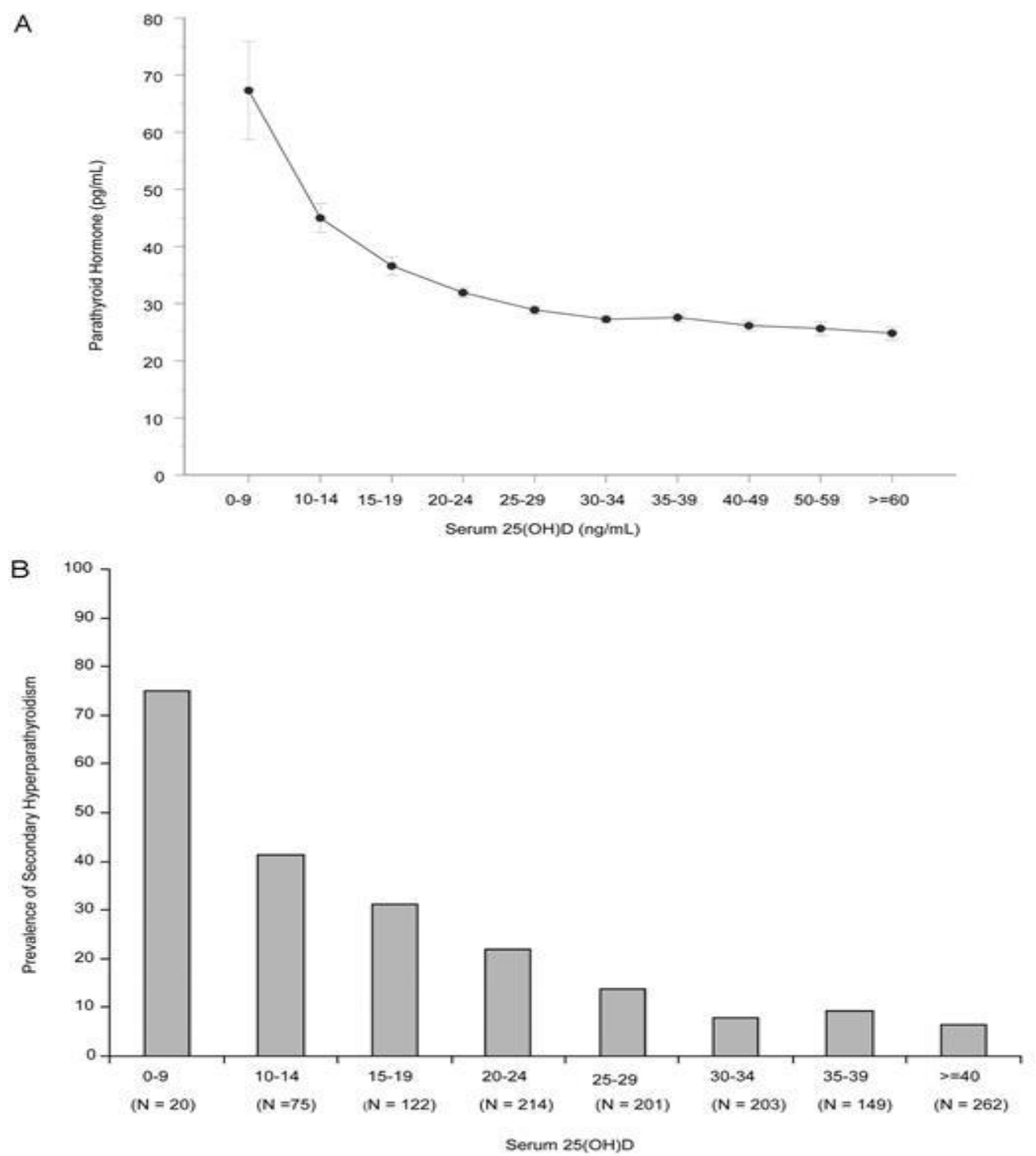
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**What are the normal
reference values?**

Normal reference values

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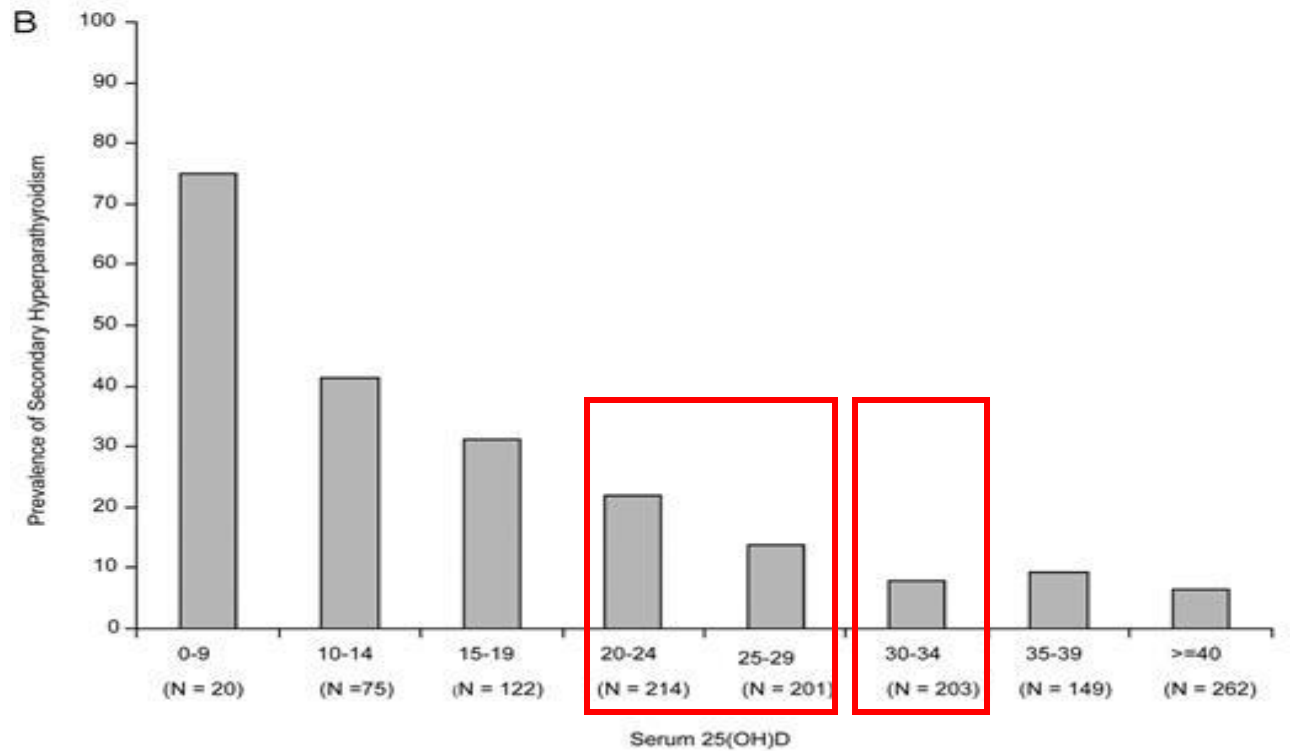
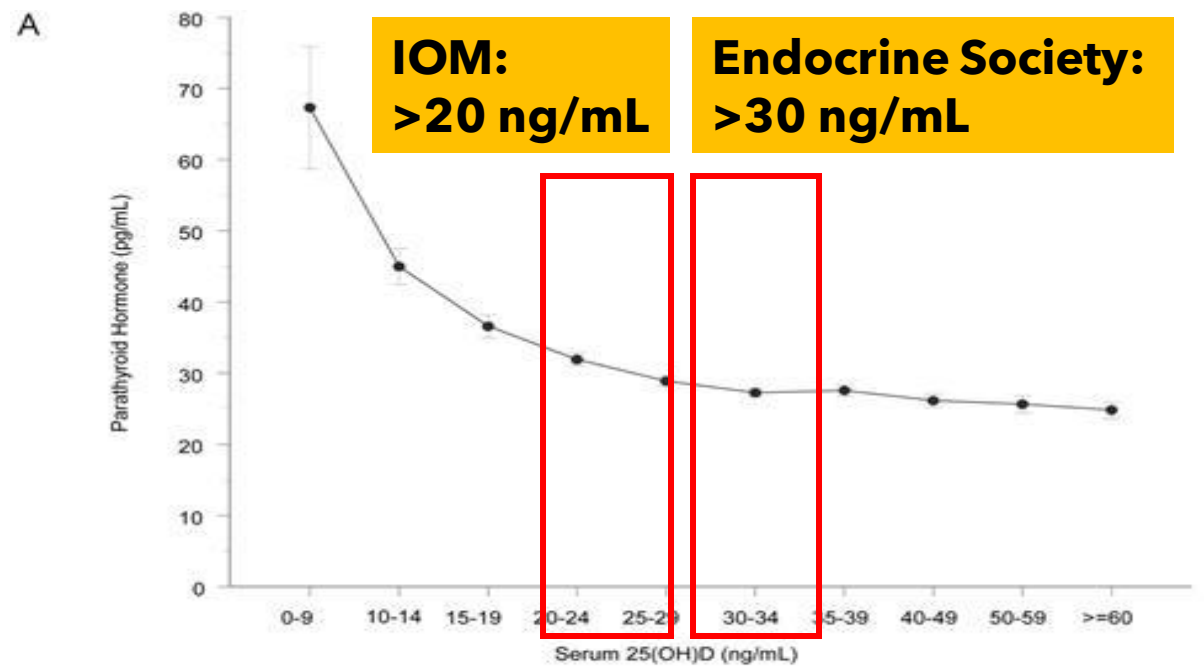
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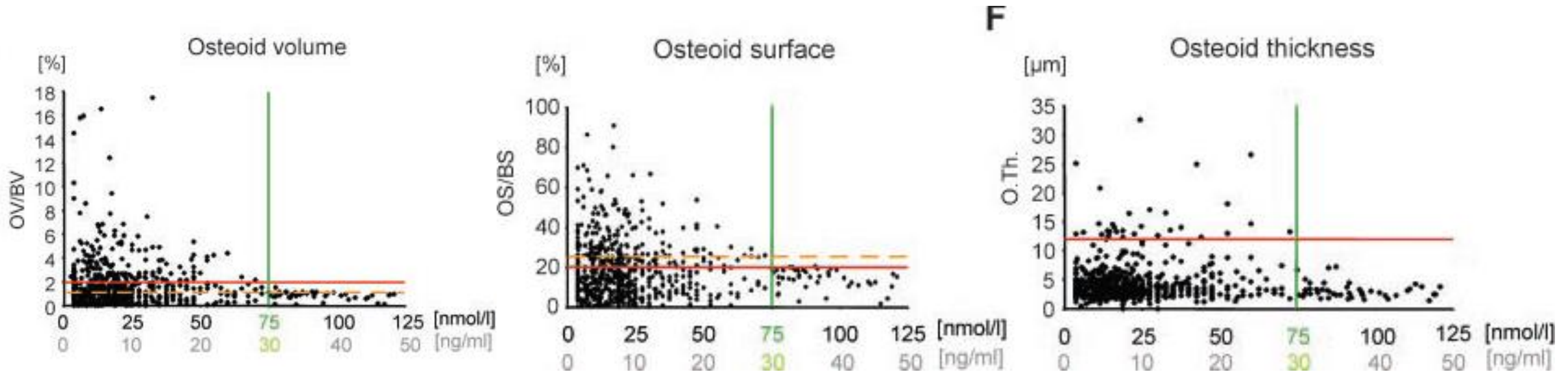
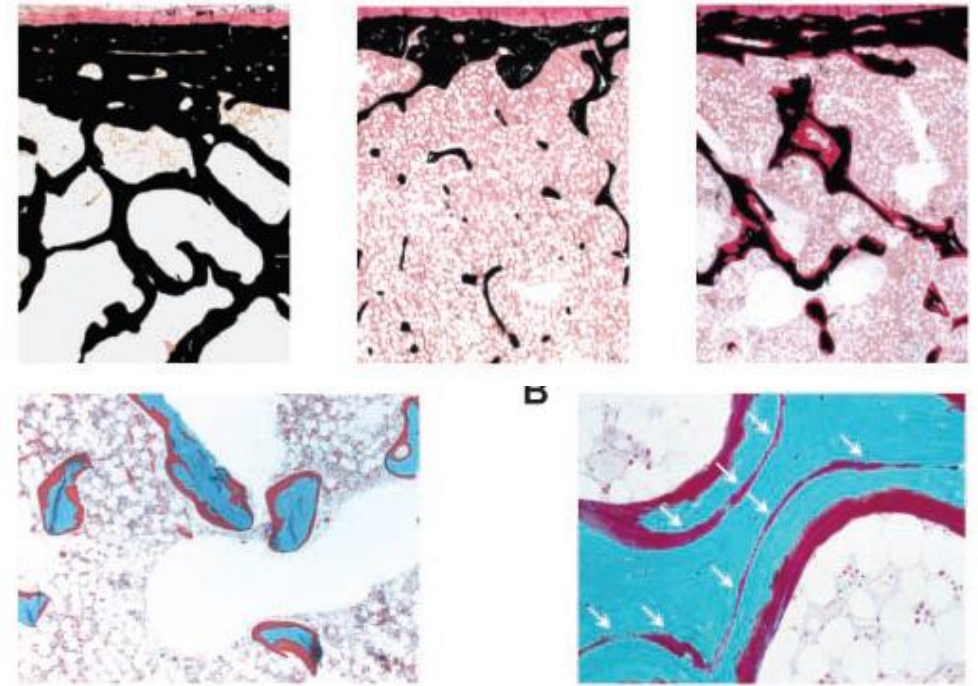
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Priemel, J Bone Mineral Res 2010

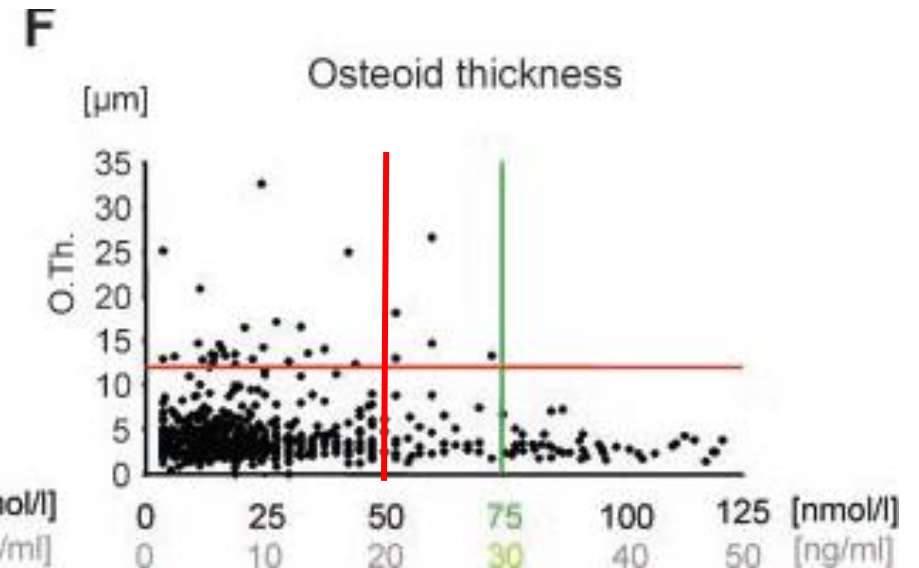
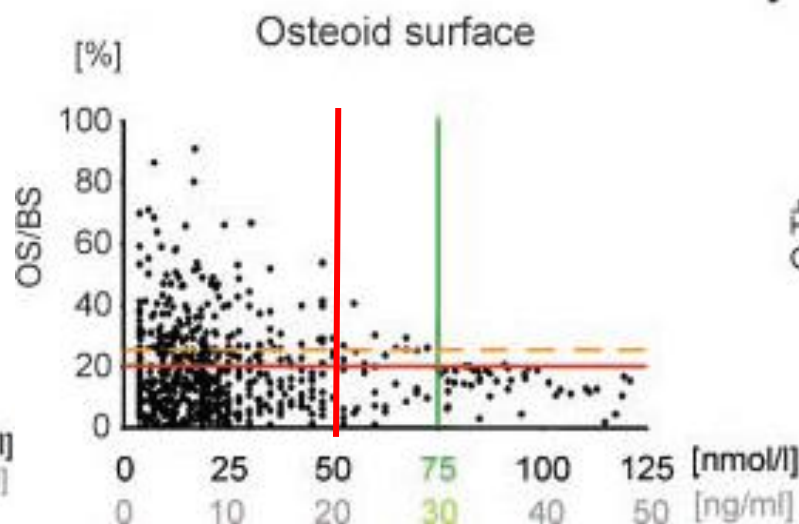
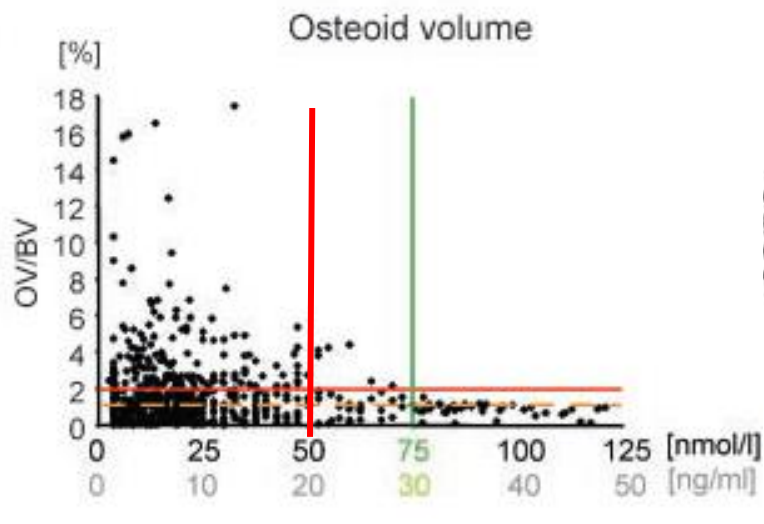
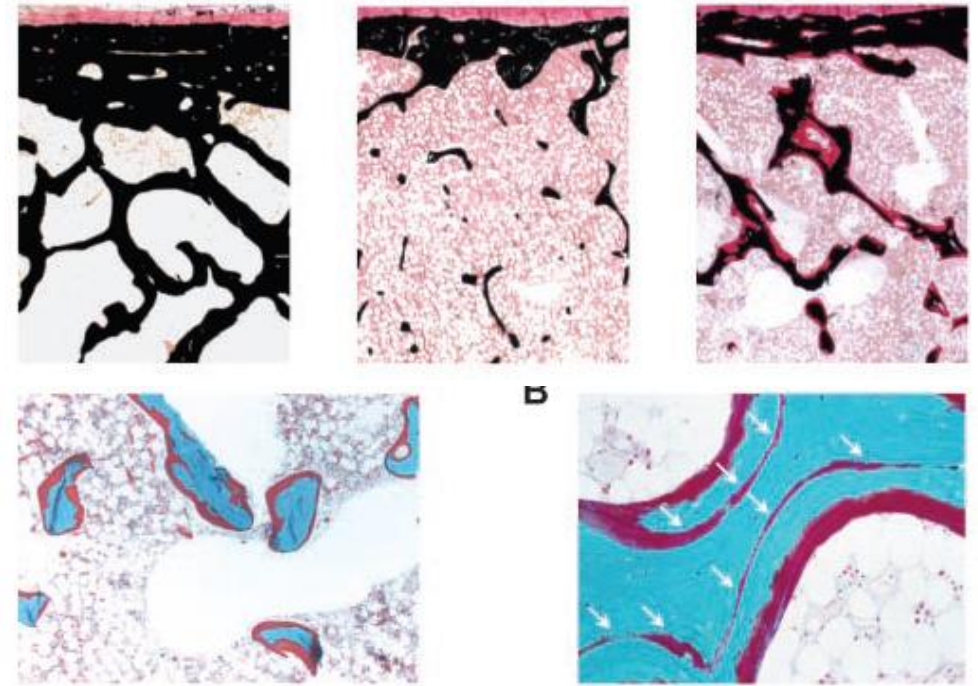
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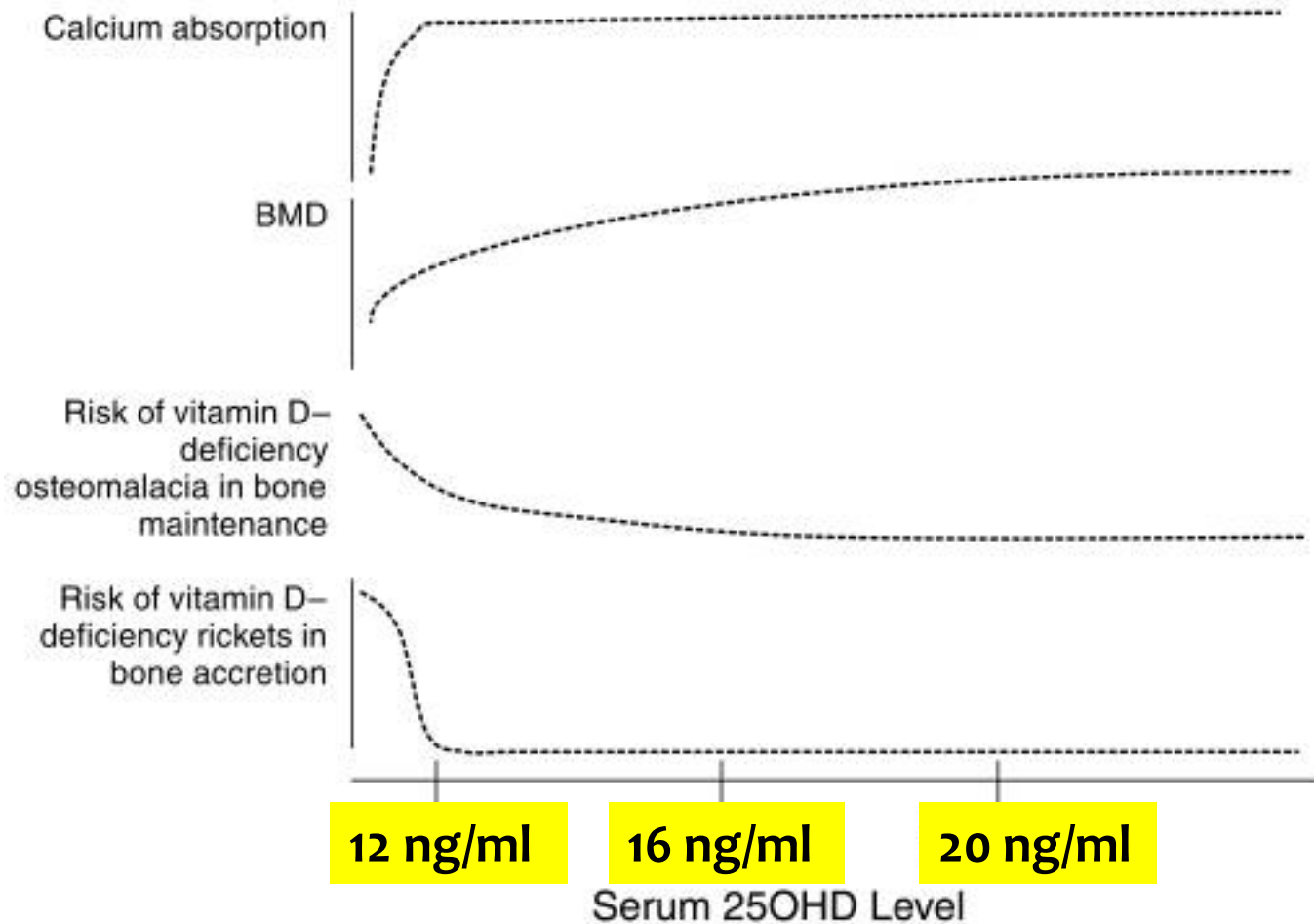


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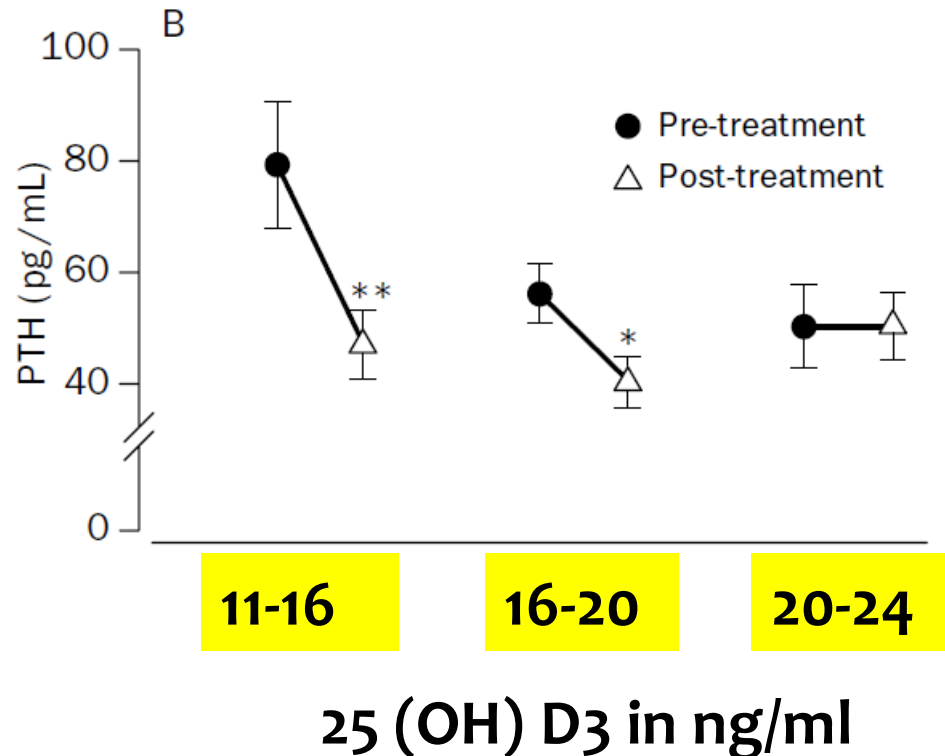
Conceptualization of integrated bone health outcomes and vitamin D exposure.

IOM Guideline

Dietary Reference Intakes for Calcium and Vitamin D

Institute of Medicine (US) Committee to Review Dietary Reference Intakes for Vitamin D and Calcium; Editors: A Catharine Ross, Christine L Taylor, Ann L Yaktine, and Heather B Del Valle. Washington (DC): National Academies Press (US); 2011.

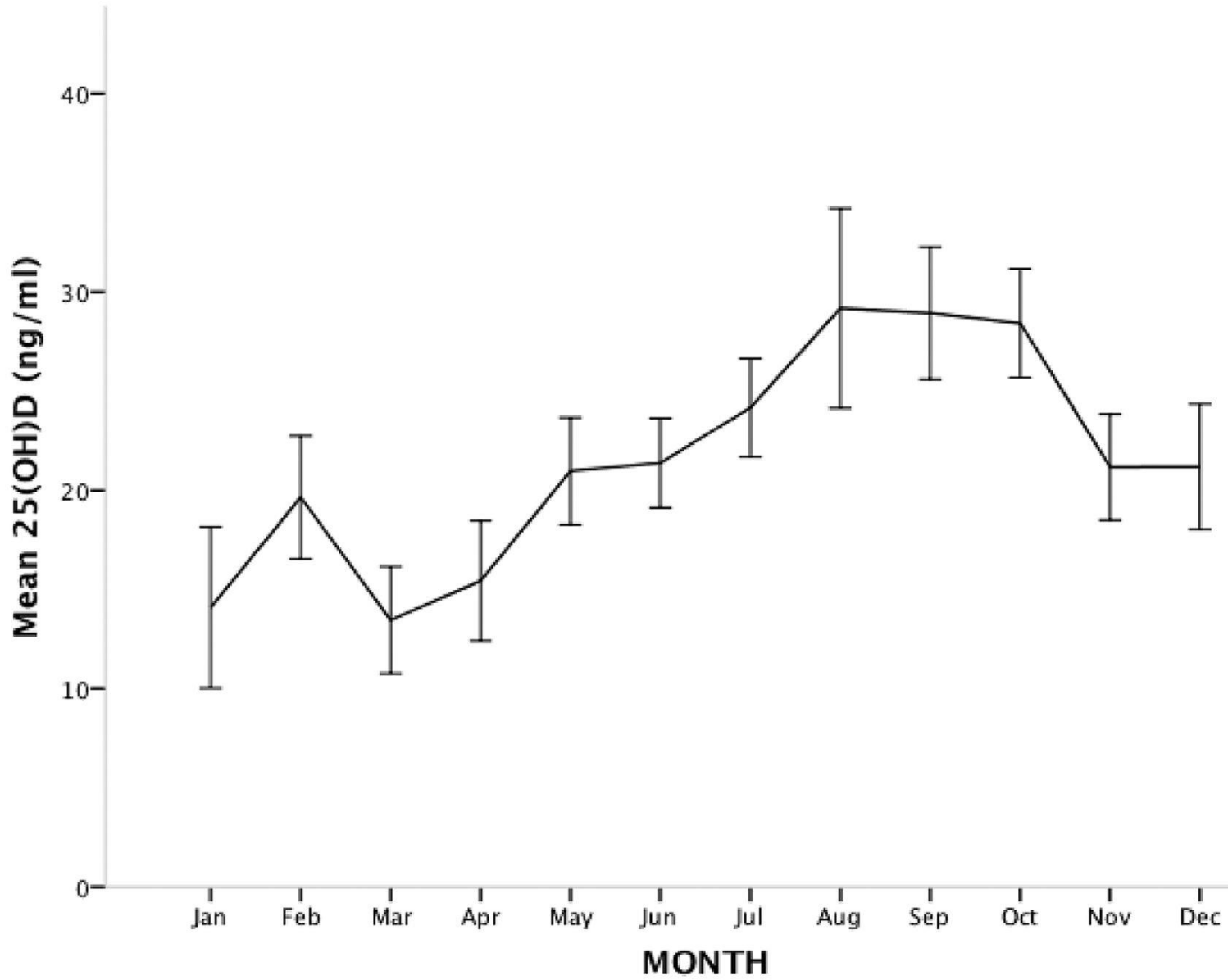
A minimum of 20 ng/ml is required to achieve optimum PTH levels



Relations between 25(OH)D and PTH before and after therapy with 50 000 IU of vitamin D, and calcium supplementation once a week for 8 weeks

Normal reference values

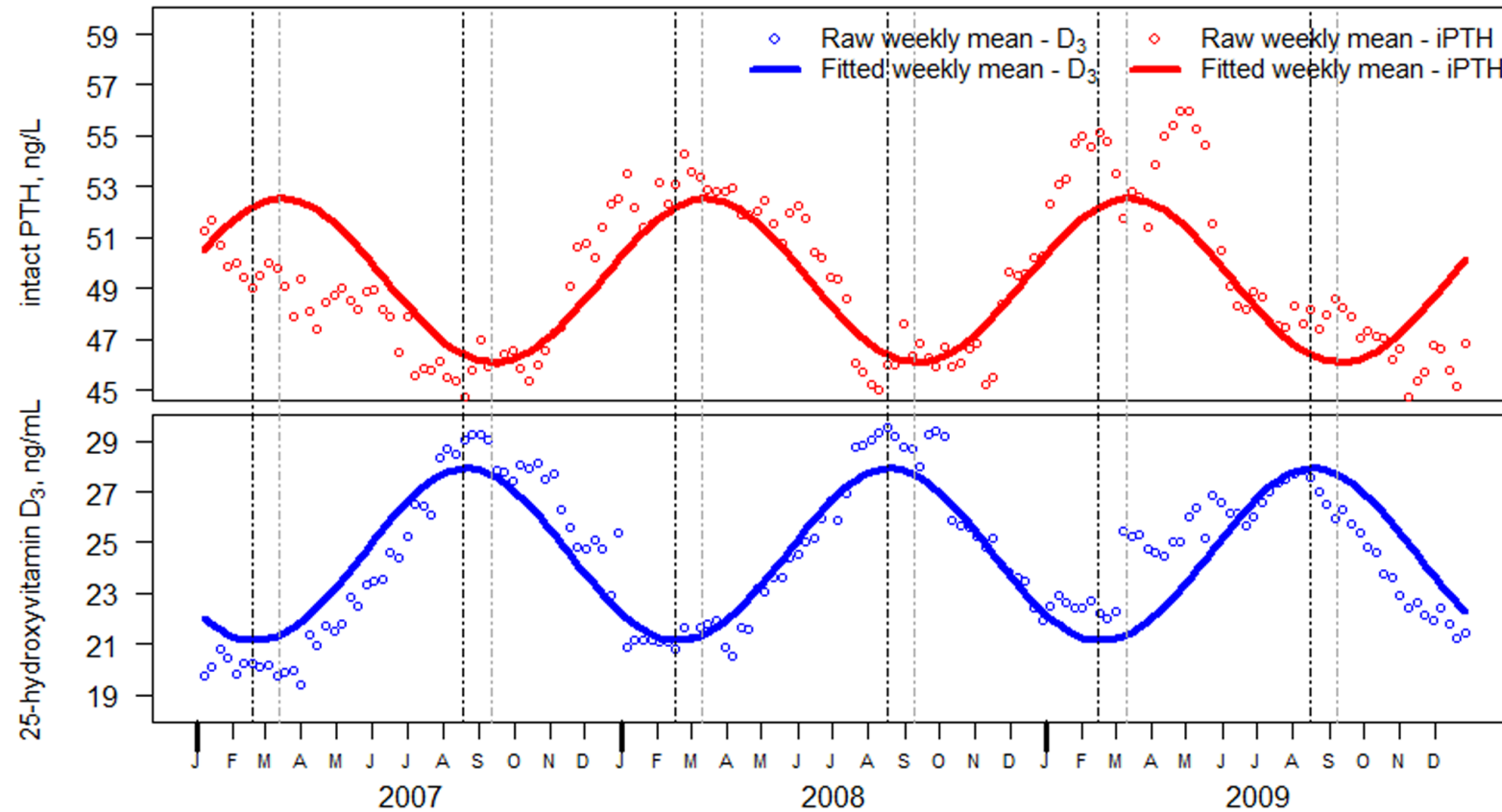
	Endocrine society	IOM
Normal	>30 ng/mL	20-50 ng/mL
Insufficient	21-29 ng/mL	12-20 ng/mL
Deficient	<20 mg/mL	<12 ng/mL



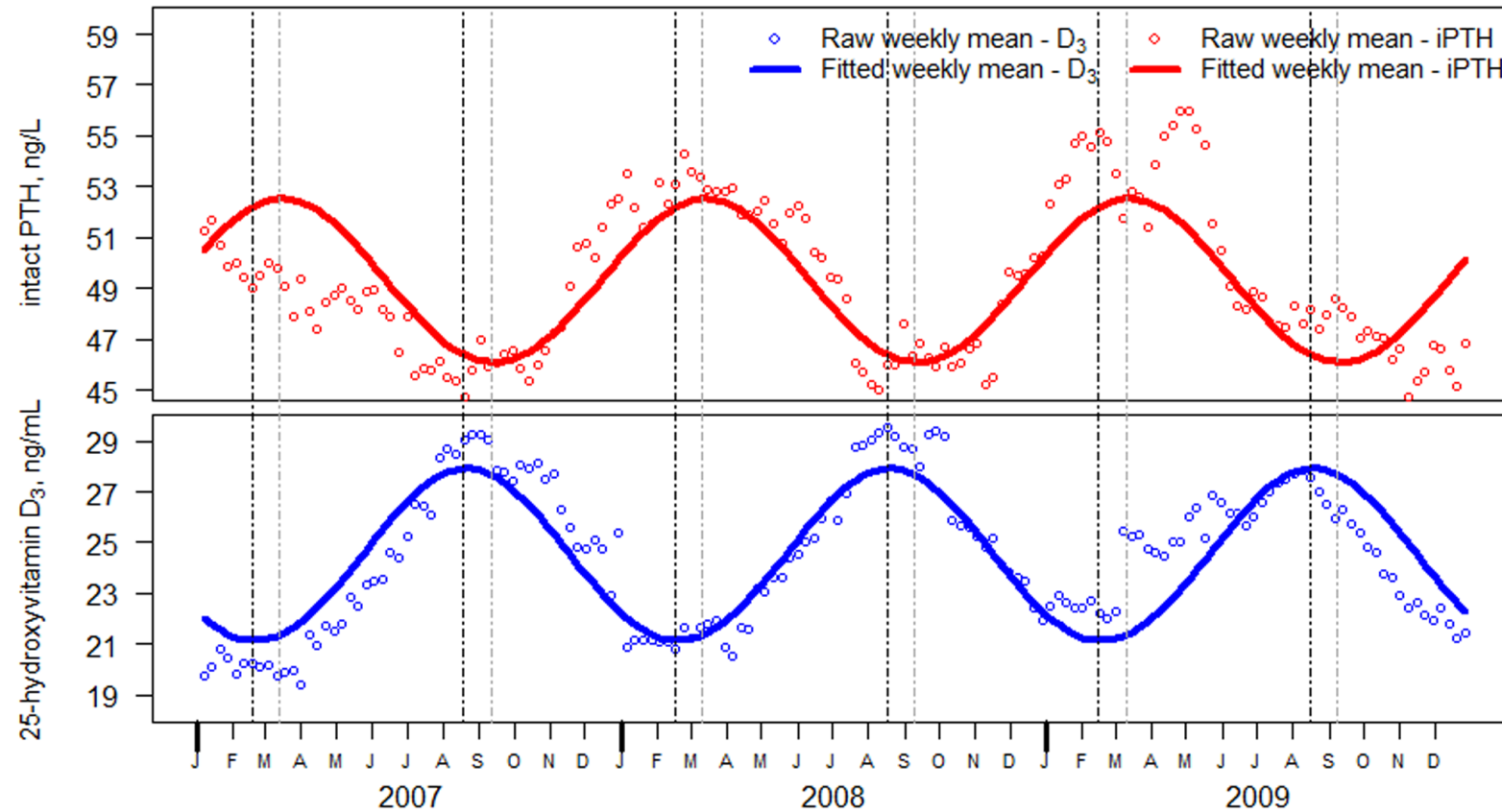
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Εποχικές διακυμάνσεις επιπέδων βιτ D

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Who should be treated?

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Rickets/ osteomalacia

Osteoporosis

Secondary hyperparathyroidism, due to low vit D

Deficiency (<20 ng/ml? Or <12 ng/ml?)

Patients at high risk of falls? (with calcium)

Frail, elderly patients with muscle weakness?

Institutionalised, elderly patients

Malabsorbing states

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How should we treat?

Vit D deficiency

50000 IU D₃ / week for 8 weeks

Or

6000 IU / day

To achieve a 25(OH)D level
of >30 ng/ml

**Followed by maintenance
therapy**

1500-2000 IU / day

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**How does vit D
supplementation affect
health outcomes?**

From: **Screening for Vitamin D Deficiency in Adults: Updated Evidence Report and Systematic Review for the US Preventive Services Task Force**

JAMA. 2021;325(14):1443-1463. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.26498

Effect on community-dwelling or institutionalized asymptomatic populations-mortality

Source	Treatment duration	Calcium received	Vitamin D		Control		Absolute risk difference (95% CI)
			No. with event	No. without event	No. with event	No. without event	
Community							
Grimnes et al, ²⁵ 2011	26 wk	None	0	49	1	44	-0.022 (-0.080 to 0.037)
Hin et al, ²⁷ 2017	52 wk	None	0	204	3	98	-0.030 (-0.065 to 0.006)
Hansen et al, ²⁶ 2015	52 wk	None	0	154	0	76	0.000 (-0.018 to 0.018)
Kärkkäinen et al, ³⁹ 2010	3 y	Active intervention	3	287	1	312	0.007 (-0.006 to 0.020)
Brazier et al, ¹⁸ 2005	52 wk	Active intervention	3	92	1	95	0.021 (-0.019 to 0.062)
Gallagher et al, ²¹ 2014	52 wk	Both groups	0	100	0	28	0.000 (-0.036 to 0.036)
Lips et al, ⁴³ 2010	16 wk	Both groups	1	113	0	112	0.009 (-0.015 to 0.033)
Gallagher et al, ²² 2012	52 wk	Both groups	0	196	0	33	0.000 (-0.024 to 0.024)
Subtotal							0.003 (-0.006 to 0.011) <i>I</i> ² = 0.0%, <i>P</i> = .56
Institutionalized							
Lips et al, ⁴⁴ 1996	3-3.5 y	None	223	1068	251	1036	-0.022 (-0.052 to 0.008)
Krieg et al, ⁴² 1999	2 y	Active intervention	21	103	26	98	-0.040 (-0.138 to 0.057)
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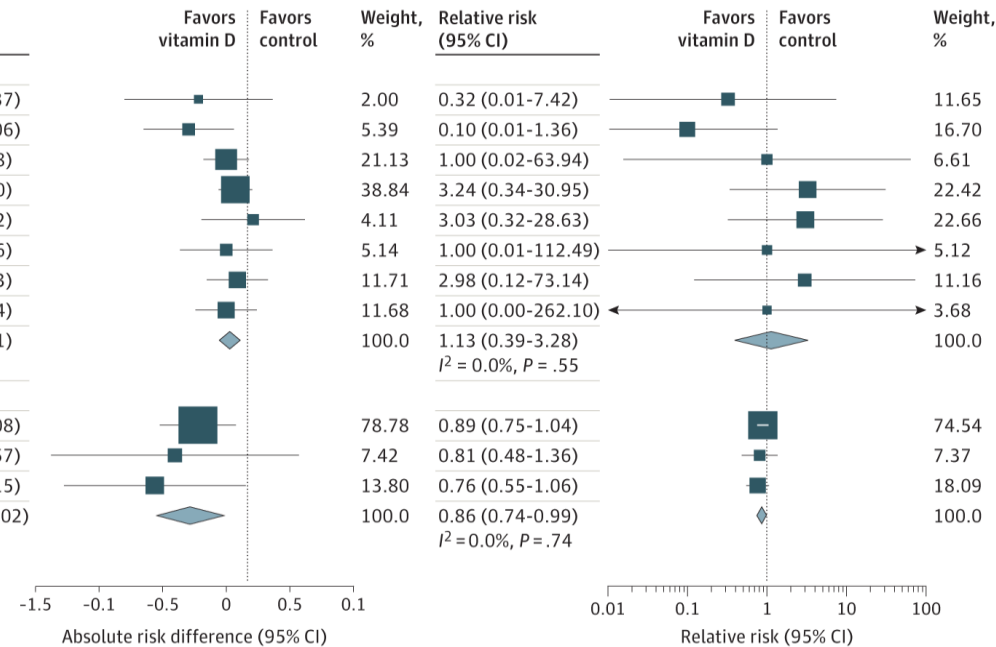


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Effect on community-dwelling or institutionalized asymptomatic populations-mortality

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Community							
Grimnes et al, ⁴² 2011	26 wk	None	0	49	1	44	-0.022 (-0.080 to 0.037)
Hin et al, ²⁷ 2017	52 wk	None	0	204	3	98	-0.030 (-0.065 to 0.006)
Hansen et al, ²⁶ 2015	52 wk	None	0	154	0	76	0.000 (-0.018 to 0.018)
Kärkkäinen et al, ³⁹ 2010	3 y	Active intervention	3	287	1	312	0.007 (-0.006 to 0.020)
Brazier et al, ¹⁸ 2005	52 wk	Active intervention	3	92	1	95	0.021 (-0.019 to 0.062)
Gallagher et al, ²¹ 2014	52 wk	Both groups	0	100	0	28	0.000 (-0.036 to 0.036)
Lips et al, ⁴³ 2010	16 wk	Both groups	1	113	0	112	0.009 (-0.015 to 0.033)
Gallagher et al, ²² 2012	52 wk	Both groups	0	196	0	33	0.000 (-0.024 to 0.024)
Subtotal							0.003 (-0.006 to 0.011) <i>I</i> ² = 0.0%, <i>P</i> = .56
Institutionalized							
Lips et al, ⁴³ 2010	3-3.5 y	None	223	1068	251	1036	-0.022 (-0.052 to 0.008)
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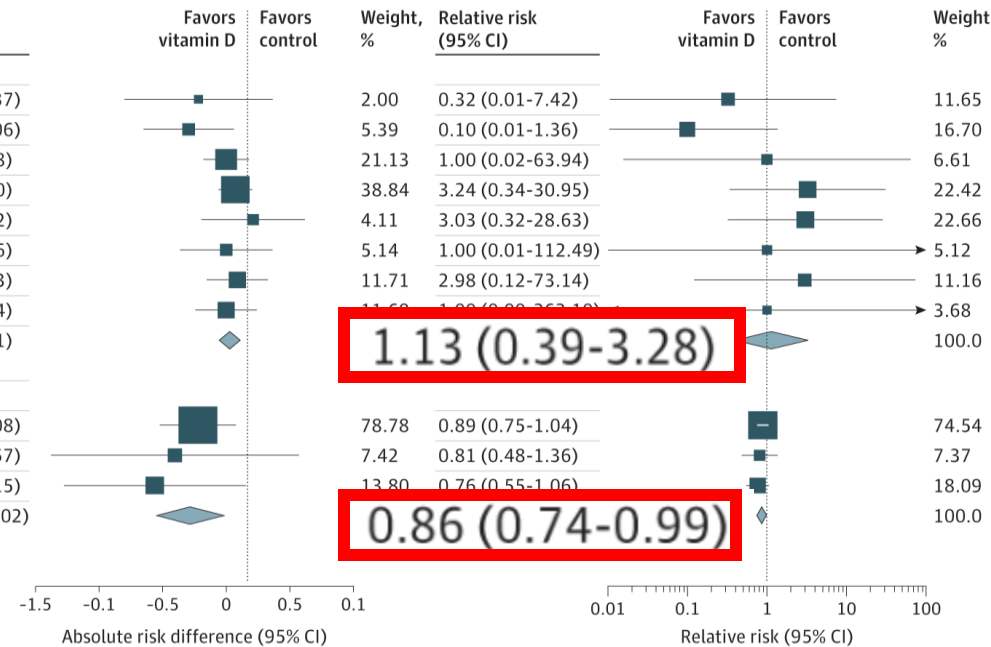
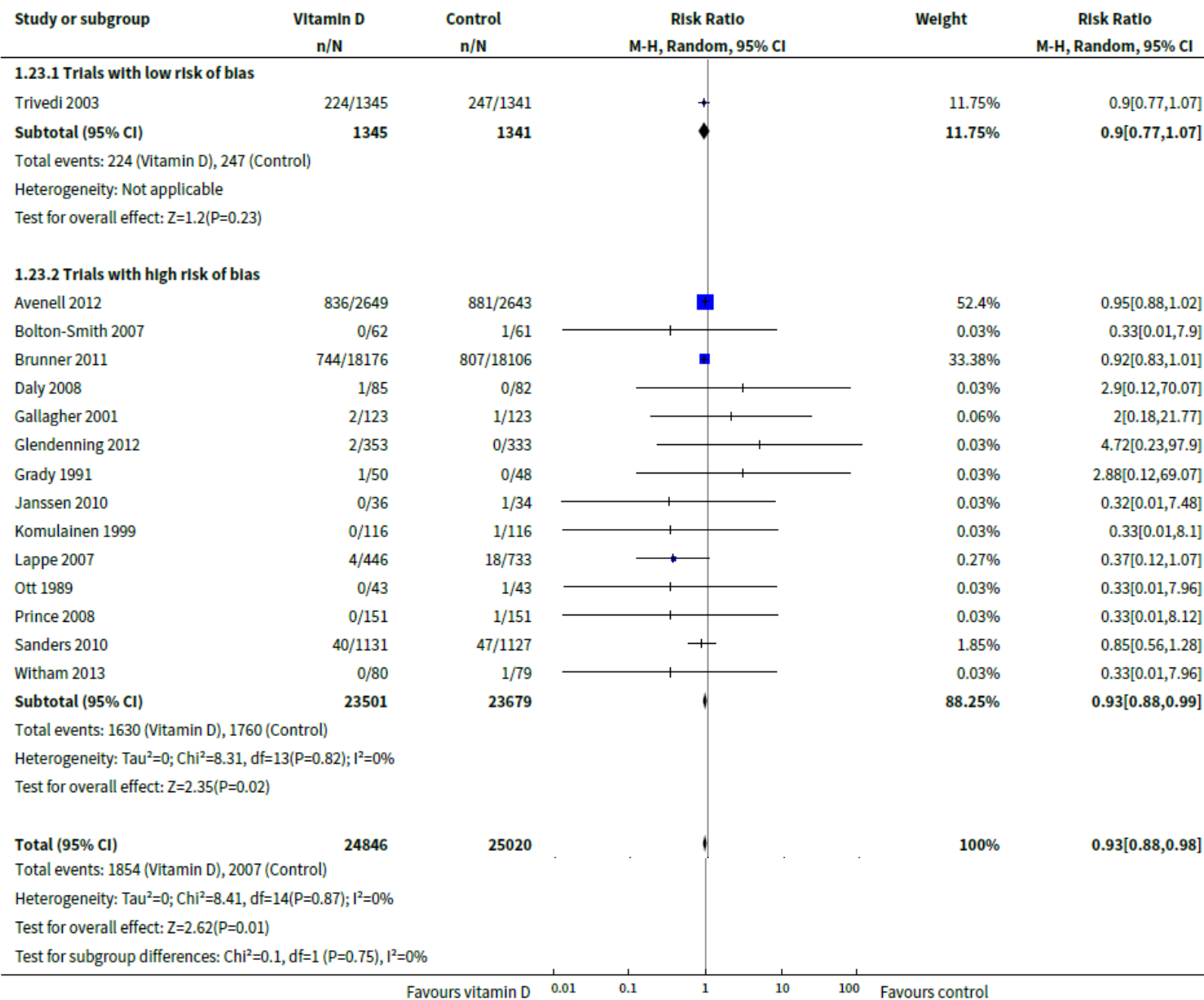


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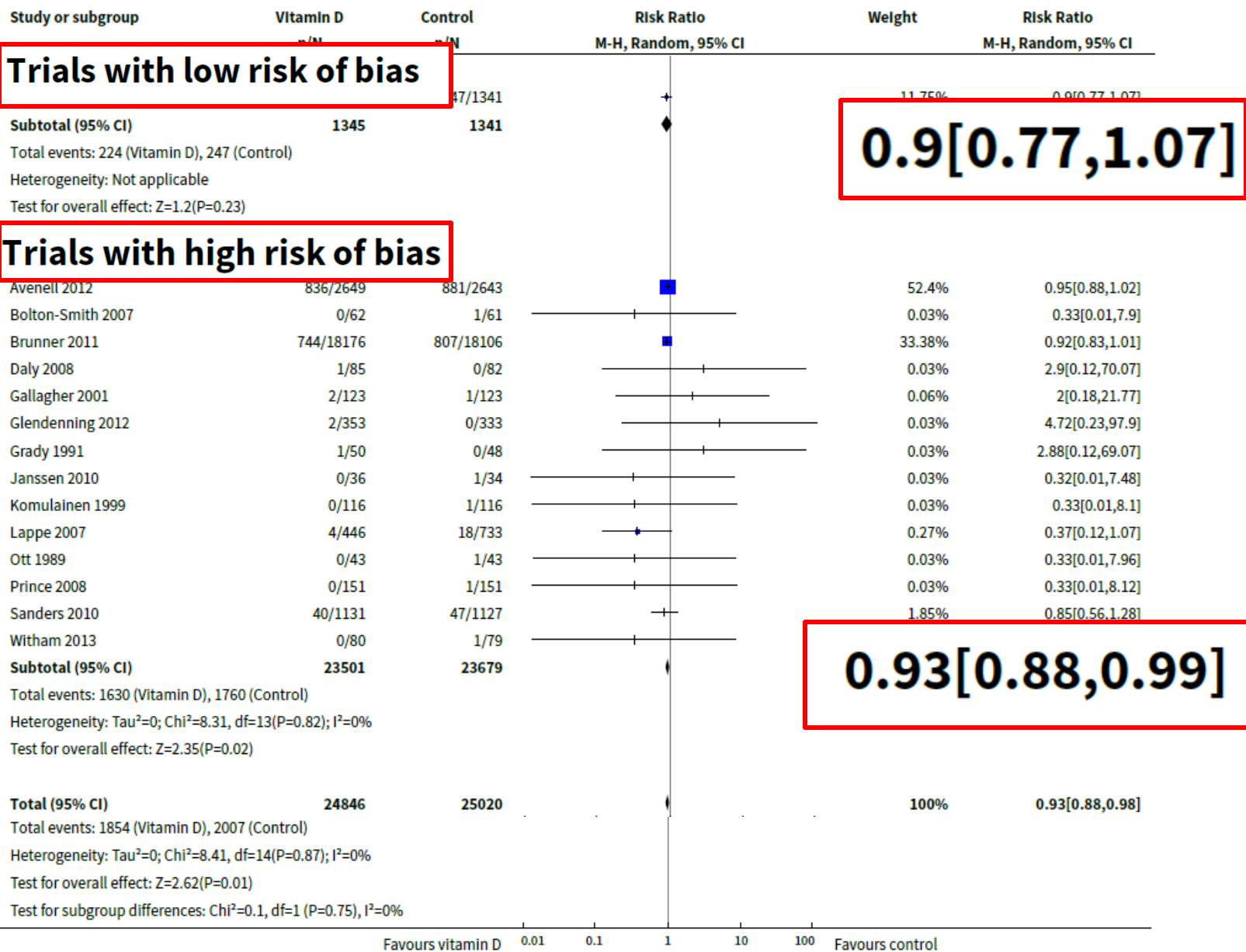
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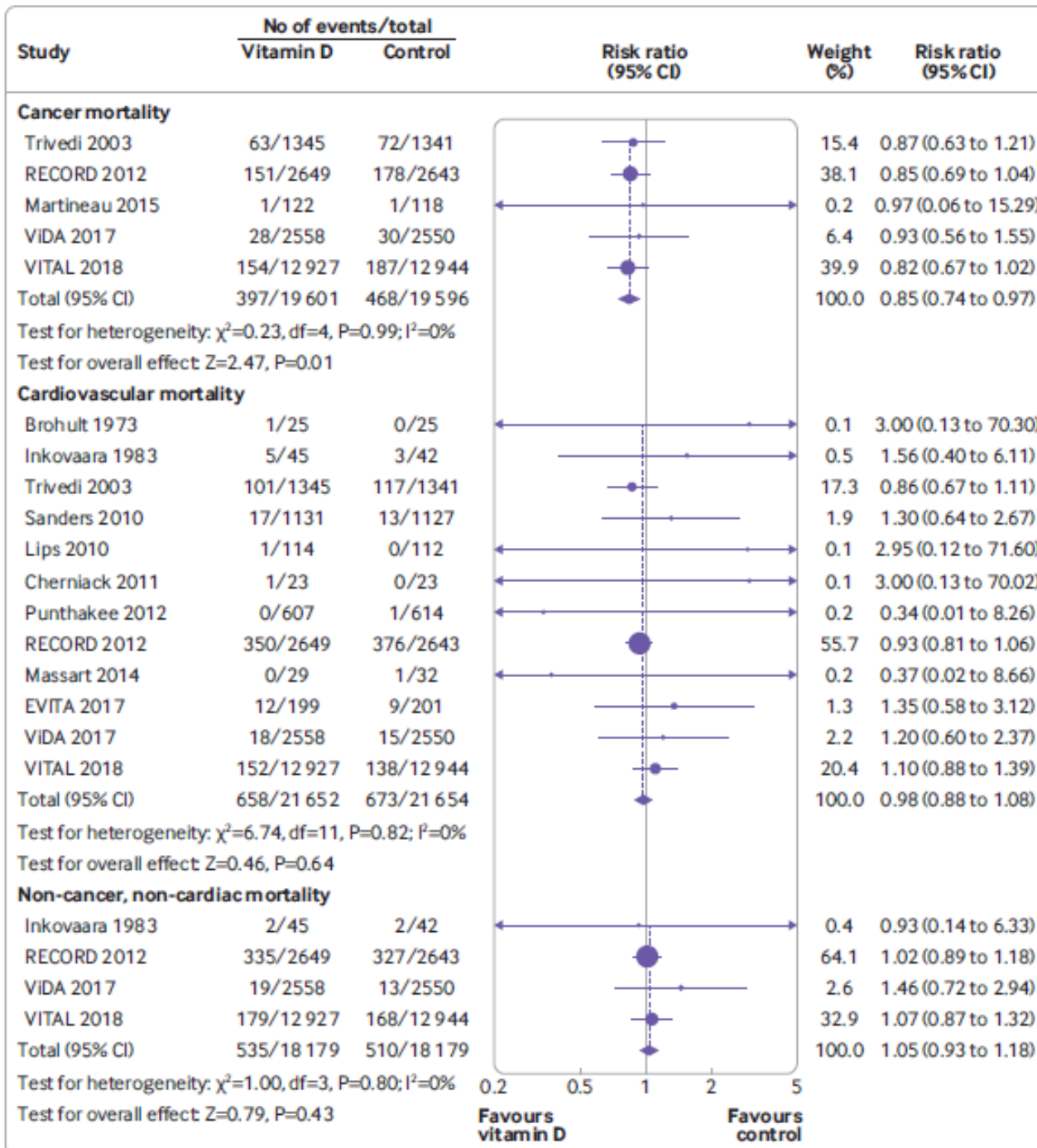


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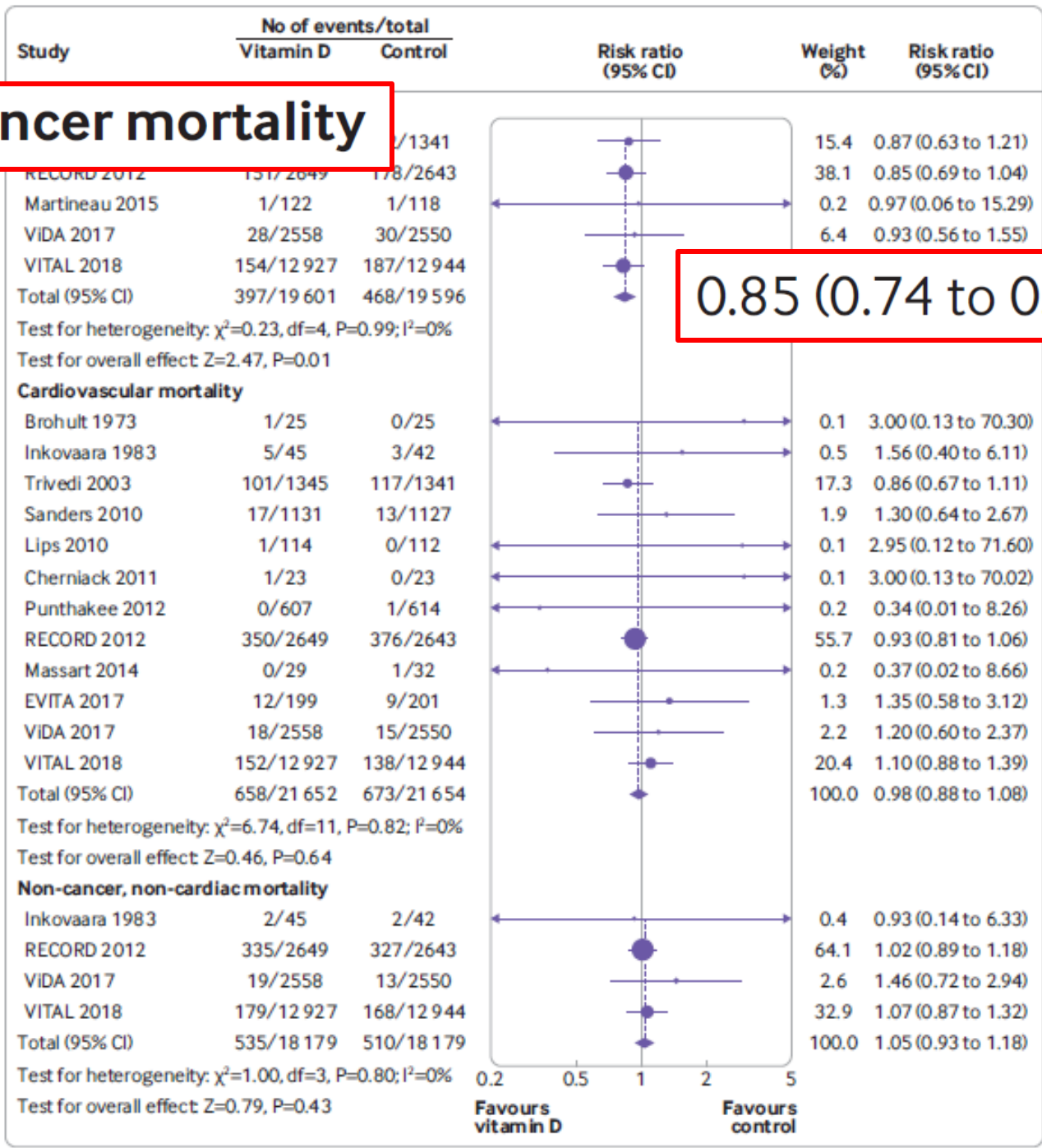


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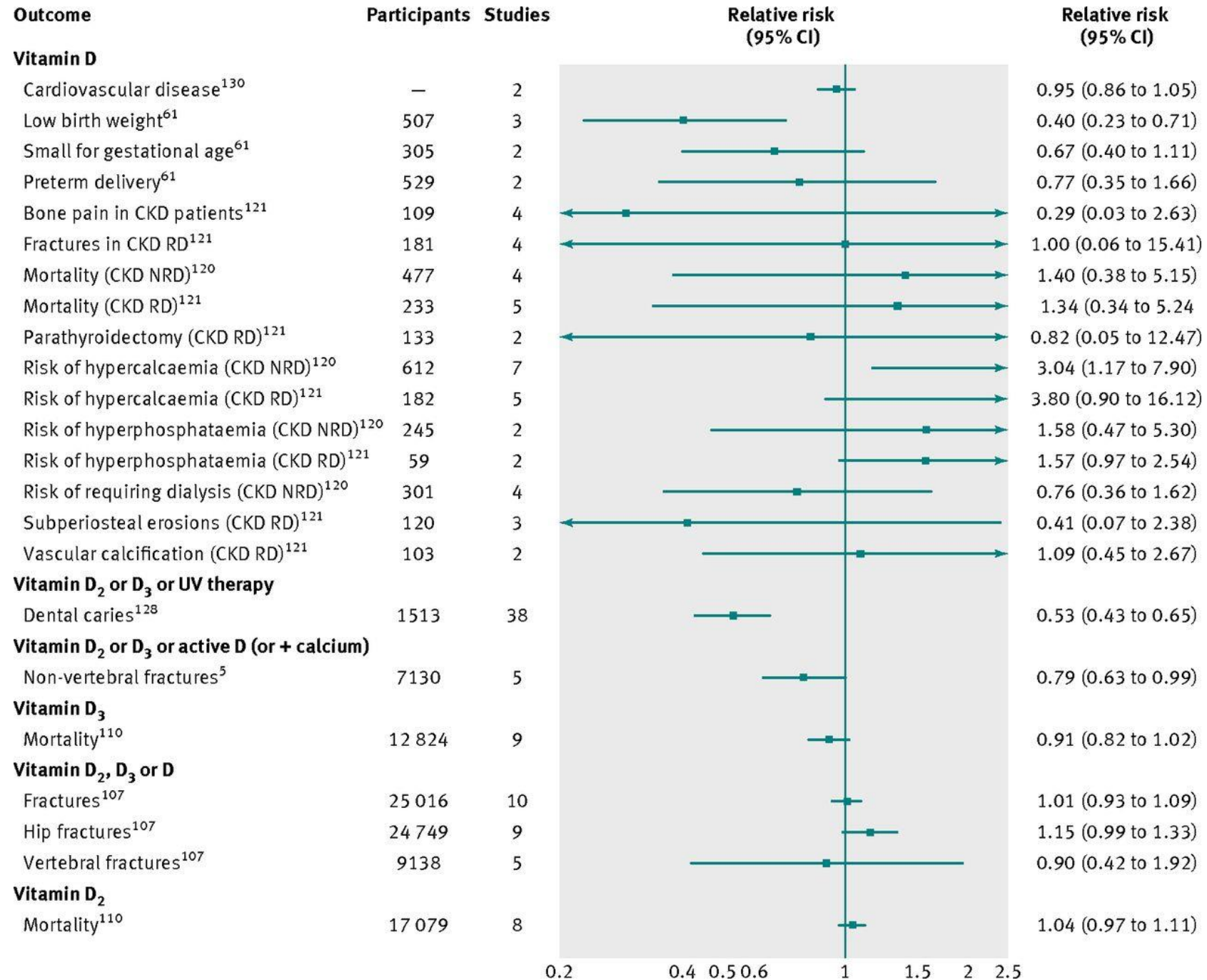
Mortality by cause (cancer, CV, else)

Cancer mortality



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All meta-analyses of randomised controlled trials with relative risk as type of metric



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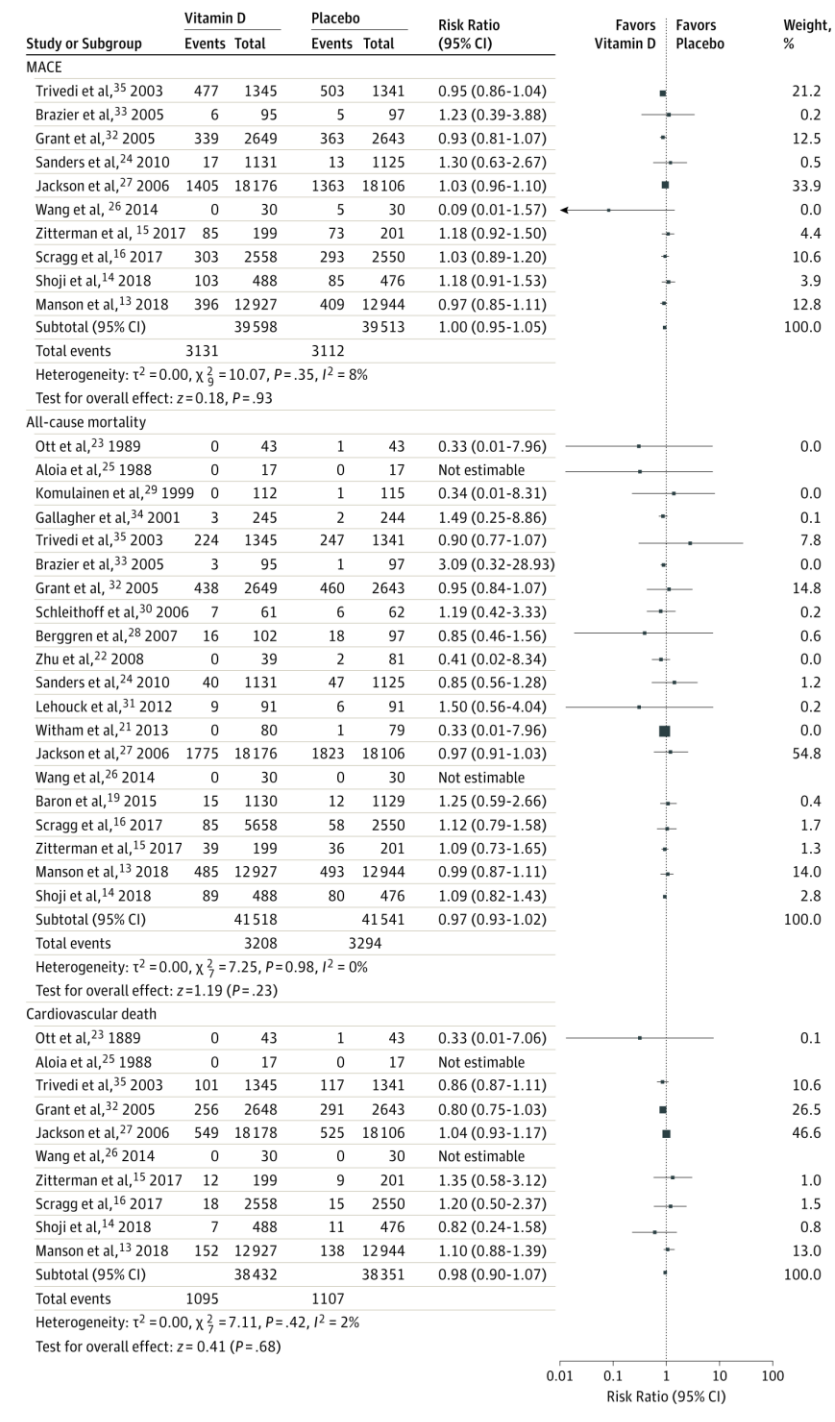
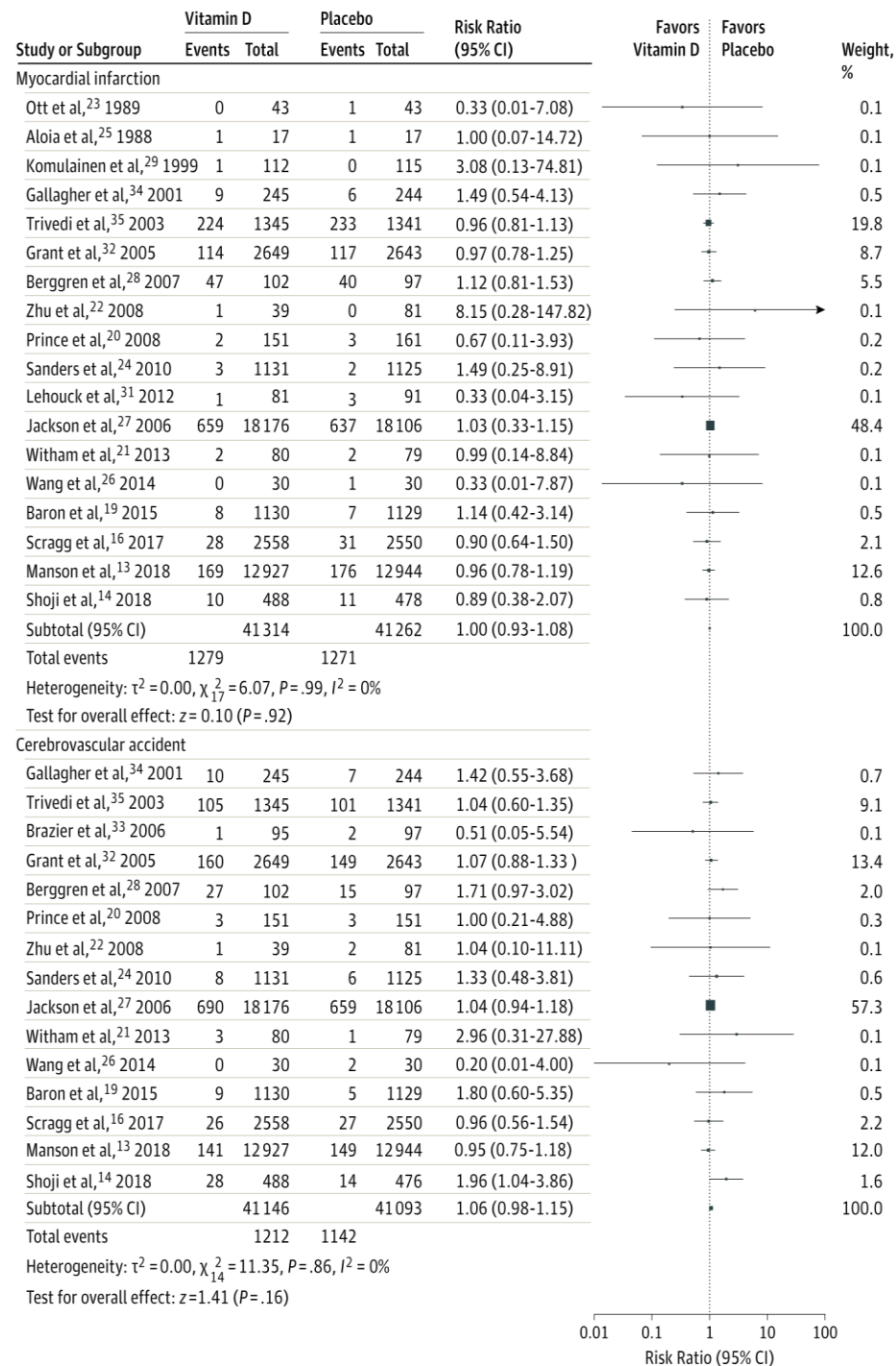
Outcome	Participants	Studies	Relative risk (95% CI)	Relative risk (95% CI)
Vitamin D				
Cardiovascular disease ¹³⁰	—	2		0.95 (0.86 to 1.05)
Low birth weight ⁶¹	507	3		0.40 (0.23 to 0.71)
Small for gestational age ⁶¹	305	2		0.67 (0.40 to 1.11)
Preterm delivery ⁶¹	529	2		0.77 (0.35 to 1.66)
Bone pain in CKD patients ¹²¹	109	4		0.29 (0.03 to 2.63)
Fractures in CKD RD ¹²¹	181	4		1.00 (0.06 to 15.41)
Mortality (CKD NRD) ¹²⁰	477	4		1.40 (0.38 to 5.15)
Mortality (CKD RD) ¹²¹	233	5		1.34 (0.34 to 5.24)
Parathyroidectomy (CKD RD) ¹²¹	133	2		0.82 (0.05 to 12.47)
Risk of hypercalcaemia (CKD NRD) ¹²⁰	612	7		3.04 (1.17 to 7.90)
Risk of hypercalcaemia (CKD RD) ¹²¹	182	5		3.80 (0.90 to 16.12)
Risk of hyperphosphataemia (CKD NRD) ¹²⁰	245	2		1.58 (0.47 to 5.30)
Risk of hyperphosphataemia (CKD RD) ¹²¹	59	2		1.57 (0.97 to 2.54)
Risk of requiring dialysis (CKD NRD) ¹²⁰	301	4		0.76 (0.36 to 1.62)
Subperiosteal erosions (CKD RD) ¹²¹	120	3		0.41 (0.07 to 2.38)
Vascular calcification (CKD RD) ¹²¹	103	2		1.09 (0.45 to 2.67)
Vitamin D₂ or D₃ or UV therapy				
Dental caries ¹²⁸	1513	38		0.53 (0.43 to 0.65)

Vitamin D₃				
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Mortality ¹¹⁰	17 079	8		1.04 (0.97 to 1.11)

CV outcomes (MACE, All-cause mortality, CV death , cerebrovascular accident, myocardial infarction)



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Pfeifer et al, ⁵² 2000	1 y	Any	Both groups	3	67	6	61	-0.047 (-0.130 to 0.037)
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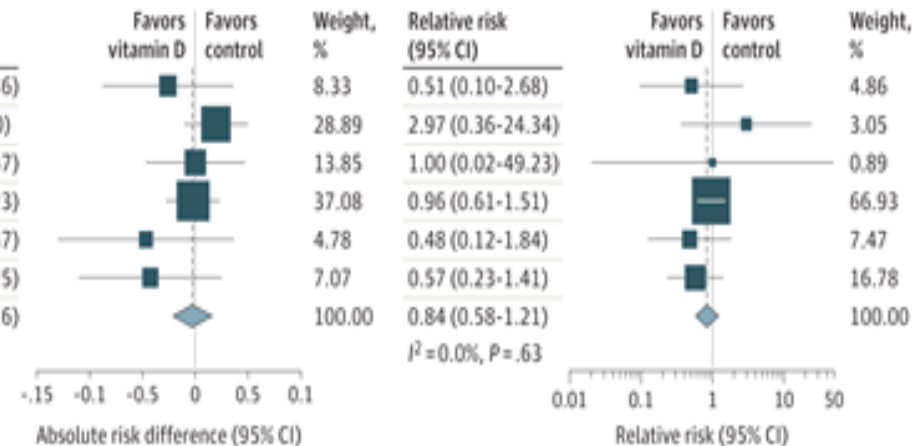


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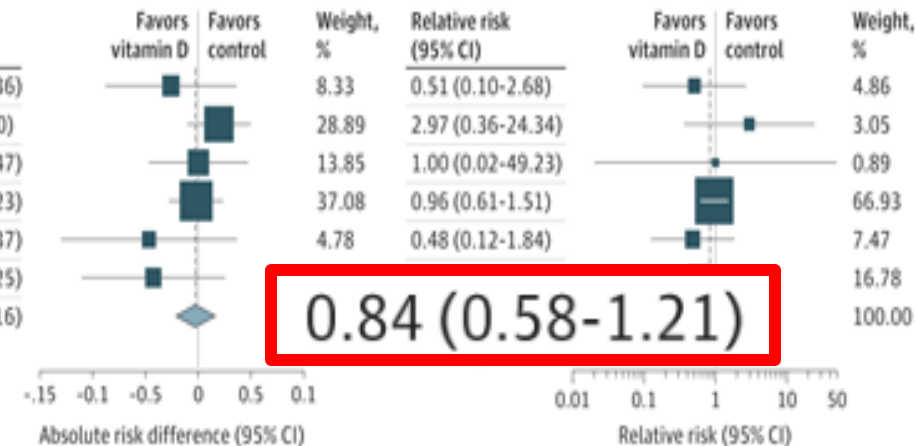
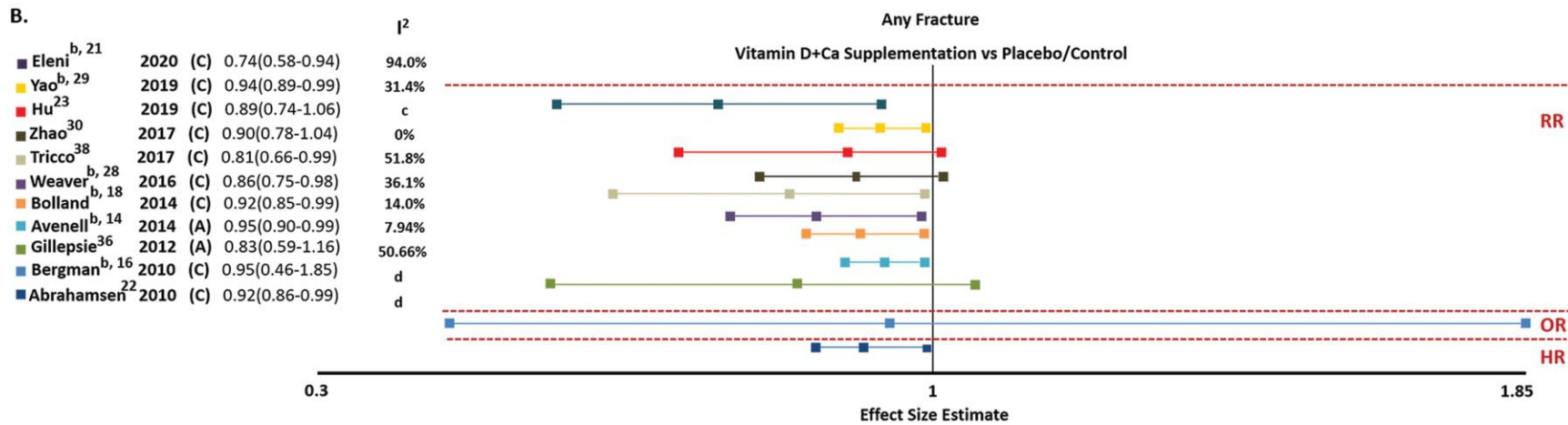
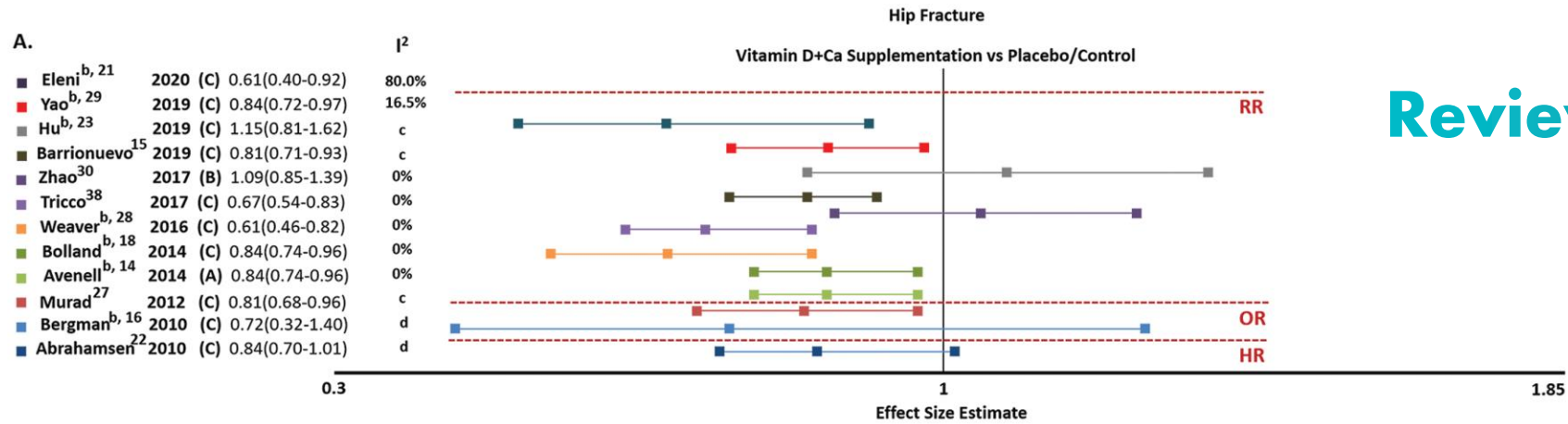


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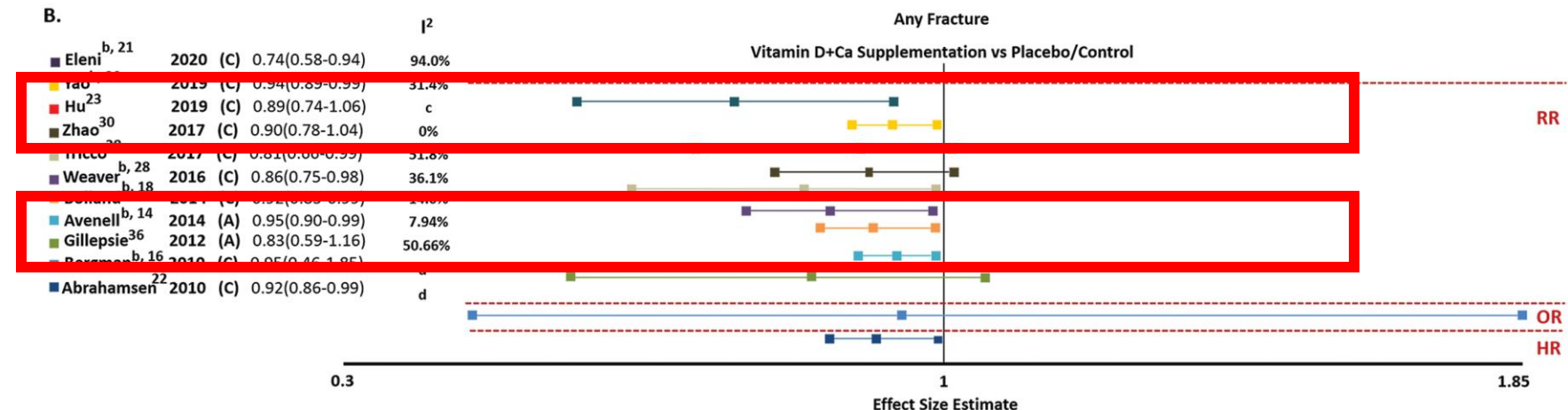
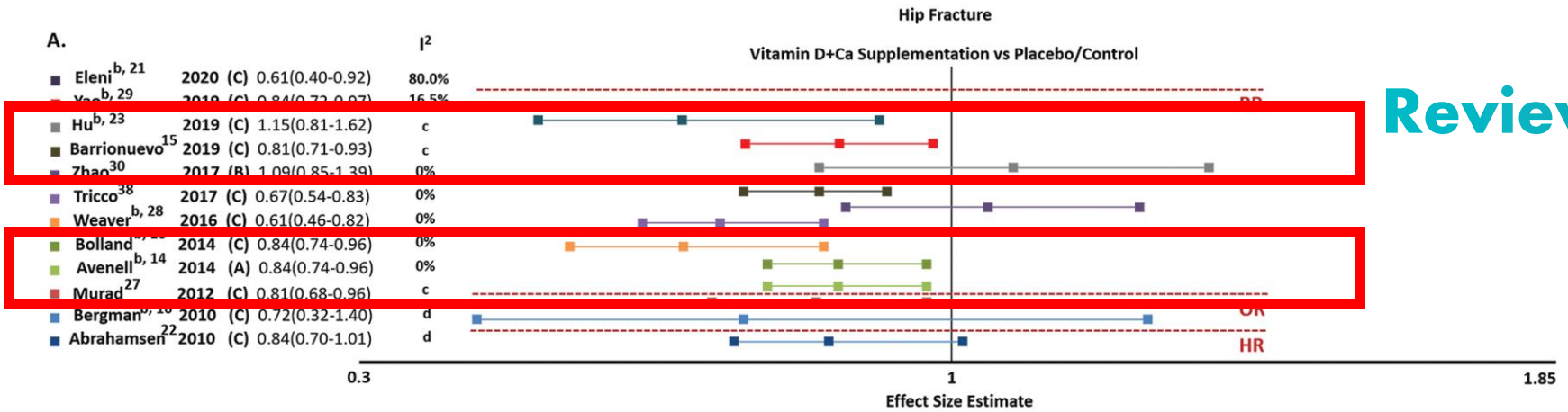
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Fracture risk reduction is possibly driven by effect on institutionalized individuals

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**Effect on
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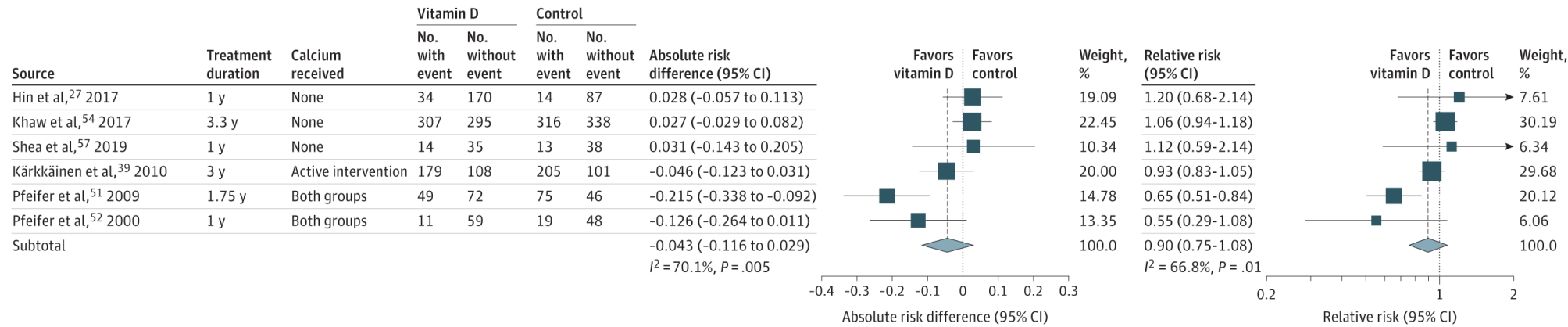


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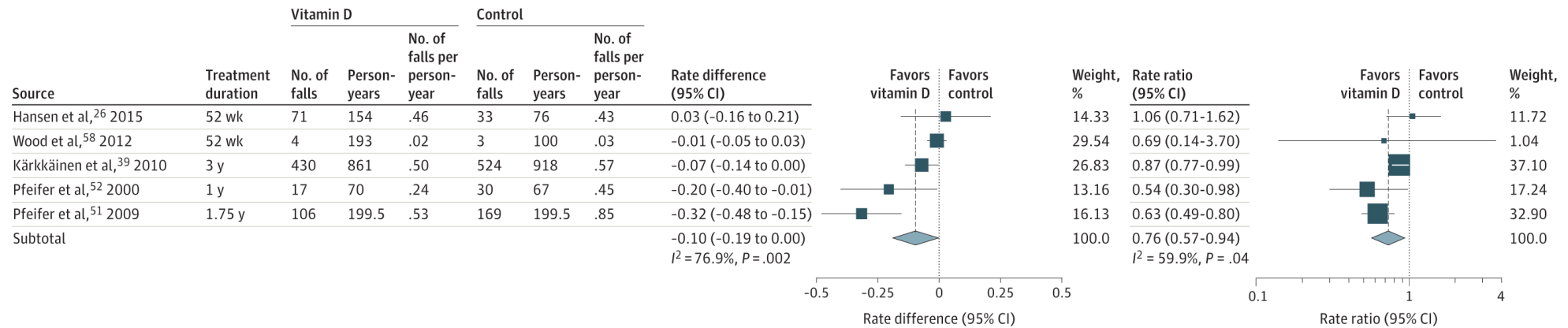


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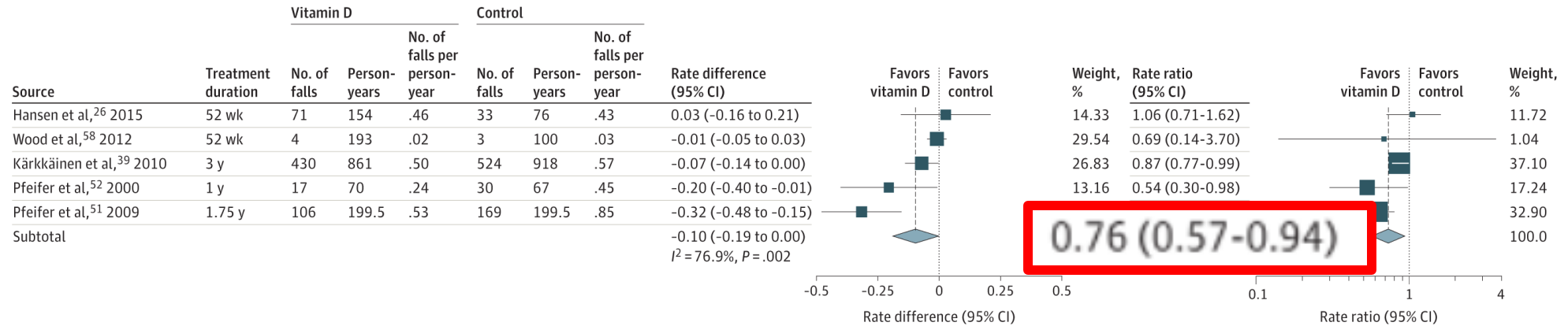


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Table 1. Components of Interventions to Prevent Falls

Intervention Component	Abbreviation
Basic falls risk assessment	bf
Calcium	ca
Cognitive behavioral therapy	cb
Clinic-level quality improvement	cl-qi
Comprehensive podiatry assessment and treatment	cp
Device—alarm	de-al
Device—hip protector	de-hp
Device—orthosis	de-or
Dietary modifications	di
Environmental assessment and modification	ea
Electromagnetic field therapy and whole-body vibration	em + wb
Exercise	ex
Flooring	fl
Lavender	la
Multifactorial assessment and treatment	mf
Osteoporosis treatment	op-tx
Patient-level quality improvement	pa-qi
Social engagement	so
Surgery—cataract	su-ey
Surgery—hip	su-hi
Surgery—pacemaker	su-pm
Health system-level quality improvement	sy-qi
Usual care	uc
Vision assessment and treatment	va
Vitamin D	vi-d

Fall prevention
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Box 2. Interventions Associated With Reduction of Outcome Compared With Usual Care in Network Meta-analysis

Outcomes

Number of Injurious Falls

Exercise

Combined exercise and vision assessment and treatment

Combined exercise, vision assessment and treatment, and environmental assessment and modification

Combined clinic-level quality improvement strategies, multifactorial assessment and treatment, calcium supplementation, and vitamin D supplementation

Number of Fallers

Exercise

Combined exercise, patient-level quality improvement strategies, clinic-level quality improvement strategies, and multifactorial assessment and treatment

Combined exercise, patient-level quality improvement strategies, hip protectors, and environmental assessment and modification

Combined patient-level quality improvement strategies, clinic-level quality improvement strategies, dietary modifications, calcium supplementation, and vitamin D supplementation

Combined orthotics and exercise

Number of Fractures

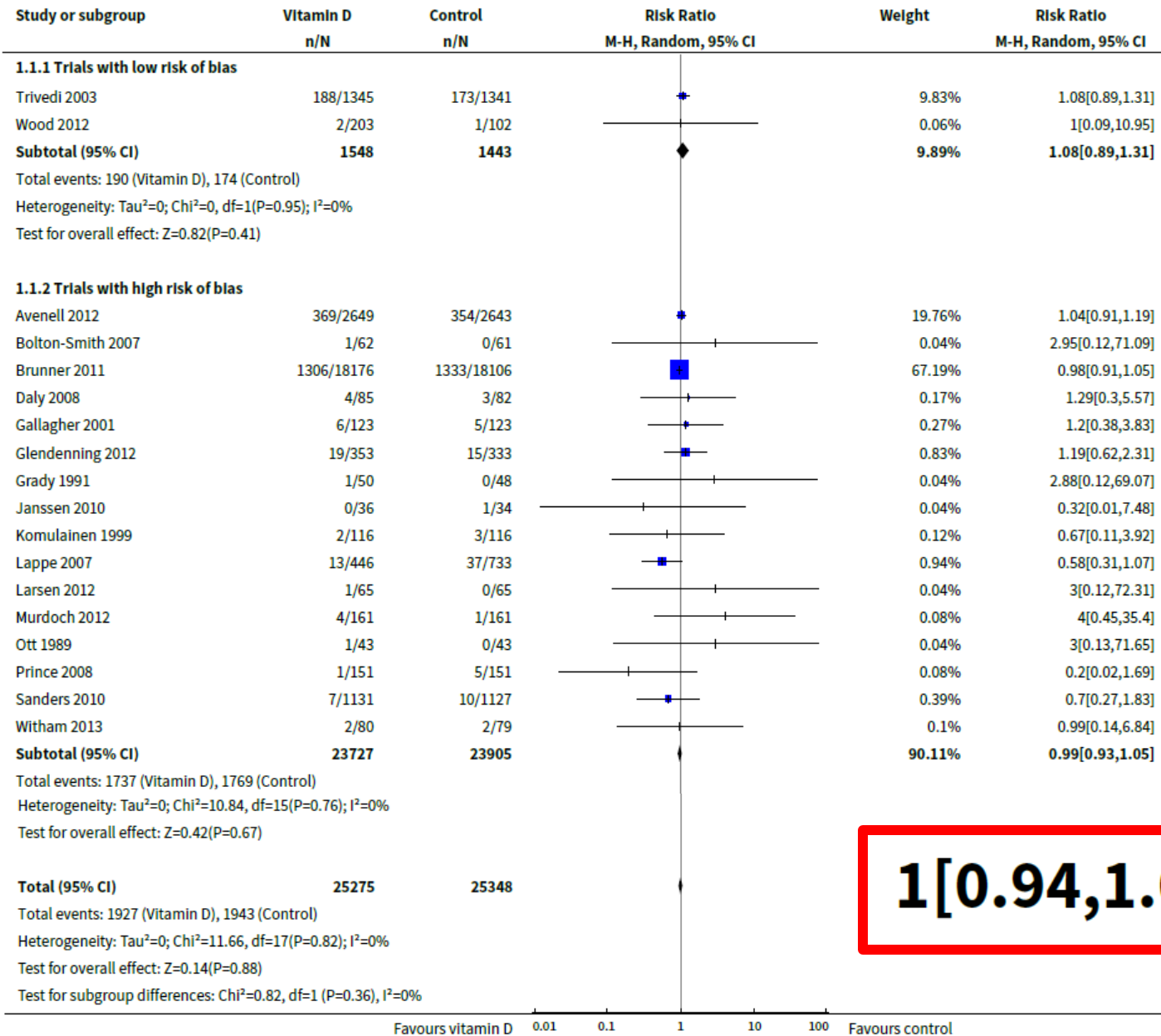
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Number of Hip Fractures

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**Analysis 1.1. Comparison 1 Vitamin D versus placebo or no intervention,
Outcome 1 Cancer occurrence in trials with a low or high risk of bias.**



**Effect on
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cancer incidence**

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Meta analyses: methodological considerations

Do not preclude effect on patient subgroups (elderly, frail, institutionalized individuals etc)

Overlapping populations

Different inclusion criteria reflect different populations and methods

Outcome definitions and analytic approaches

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All incident confirmed autoimmune diseases

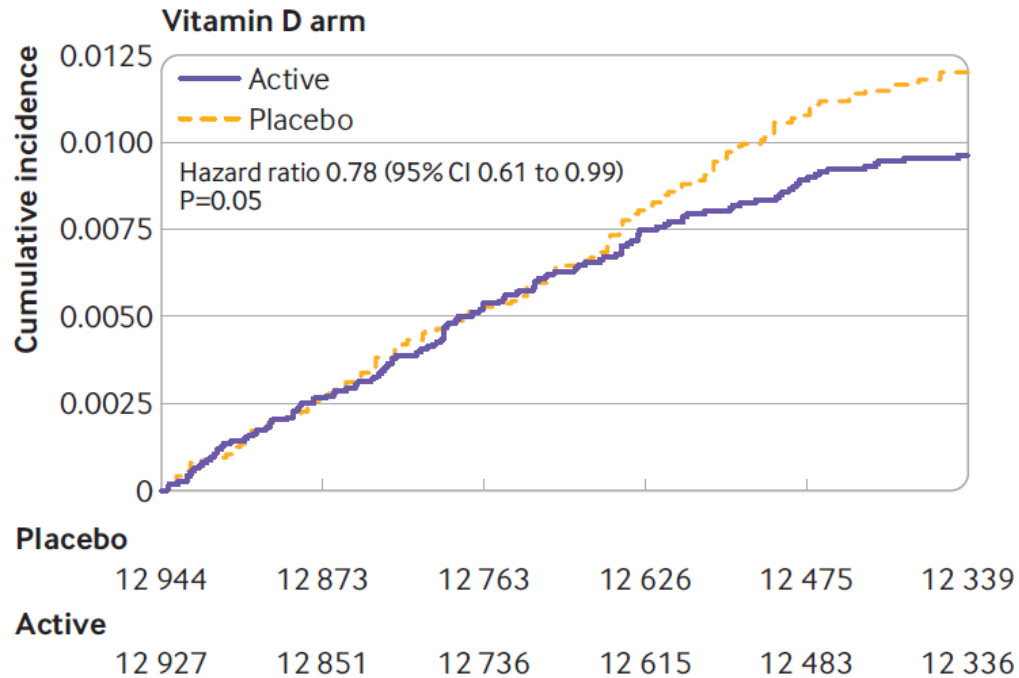


Table 2 | Hazard ratios and 95% confidence intervals for primary and secondary endpoints according to randomized assignment to vitamin D or placebo

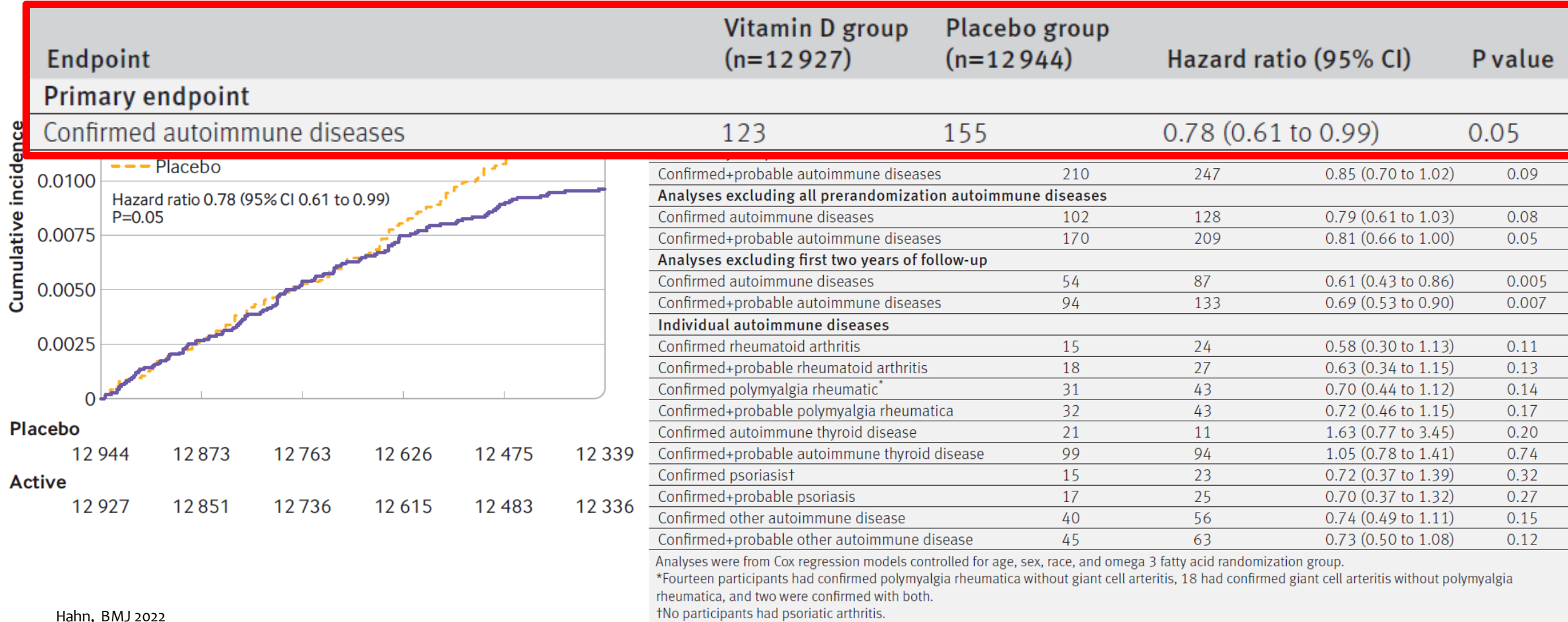
Endpoint	Vitamin D group (n=12 927)	Placebo group (n=12 944)	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	P value
Primary endpoint				
Confirmed autoimmune diseases	123	155	0.78 (0.61 to 0.99)	0.05
Secondary endpoints				
Confirmed+probable autoimmune diseases	210	247	0.85 (0.70 to 1.02)	0.09
Analyses excluding all prerandomization autoimmune diseases				
Confirmed autoimmune diseases	102	128	0.79 (0.61 to 1.03)	0.08
Confirmed+probable autoimmune diseases	170	209	0.81 (0.66 to 1.00)	0.05
Analyses excluding first two years of follow-up				
Confirmed autoimmune diseases	54	87	0.61 (0.43 to 0.86)	0.005
Confirmed+probable autoimmune diseases	94	133	0.69 (0.53 to 0.90)	0.007
Individual autoimmune diseases				
Confirmed rheumatoid arthritis	15	24	0.58 (0.30 to 1.13)	0.11
Confirmed+probable rheumatoid arthritis	18	27	0.63 (0.34 to 1.15)	0.13
Confirmed polymyalgia rheumatic*	31	43	0.70 (0.44 to 1.12)	0.14
Confirmed+probable polymyalgia rheumatica	32	43	0.72 (0.46 to 1.15)	0.17
Confirmed autoimmune thyroid disease	21	11	1.63 (0.77 to 3.45)	0.20
Confirmed+probable autoimmune thyroid disease	99	94	1.05 (0.78 to 1.41)	0.74
Confirmed psoriasis†	15	23	0.72 (0.37 to 1.39)	0.32
Confirmed+probable psoriasis	17	25	0.70 (0.37 to 1.32)	0.27
Confirmed other autoimmune disease	40	56	0.74 (0.49 to 1.11)	0.15
Confirmed+probable other autoimmune disease	45	63	0.73 (0.50 to 1.08)	0.12

Analyses were from Cox regression models controlled for age, sex, race, and omega 3 fatty acid randomization group.

*Fourteen participants had confirmed polymyalgia rheumatica without giant cell arteritis, 18 had confirmed giant cell arteritis without polymyalgia rheumatica, and two were confirmed with both.

†No participants had psoriatic arthritis.

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All meta-analyses: **reduced** mortality from cancer

Most meta-analyses: **reduced** falls (with Ca)

Probably **reduce** fractures (with Ca)

No effect on extra-skeletal outcomes (cancer incidence, infections, CV disease or death)

Summary

Final considerations

Screen individuals at risk (not everyone)

Treat accordingly

Uncertain health benefits beyond musculoskeletal system

Consider outcomes in the long-term: low treatment adherence, unknown long-term benefits and harms



To D or not to
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(still) the
question...