

Evaluation and Management of Osteoporosis

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Introduction to Osteoporosis

Osteoporosis: a disease characterized by low bone mass and structural deterioration of bone tissue, leading to bone fragility and increased risk of fracture

Diagnosis of osteoporosis can be made clinically in presence of fragility fracture, even in absence of low bone mineral density on imaging

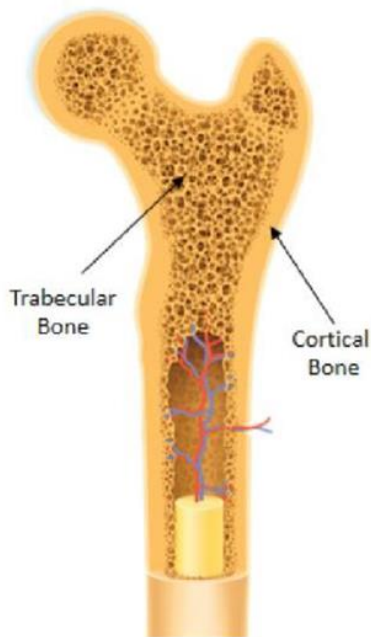
Fragility fracture: a fracture sustained from force similar to a fall from a standing position or less that would not have occurred in healthy bone, except fractures of the skull, face, fingers, and toes



THE FUNCTION OF THE SKELETON DEPENDS ON THE PROPERTIES OF TRABECULAR AND CORTICAL BONE

Trabecular Bone

- A sponge-like network of delicate plates of bone known as trabeculae^{1,2}
- 20% of skeletal mass³
- Essential functions
 - Mineral metabolism⁴
 - Strength and elasticity^{4,5}
- Higher turnover rate compared to cortical bone^{6,7}



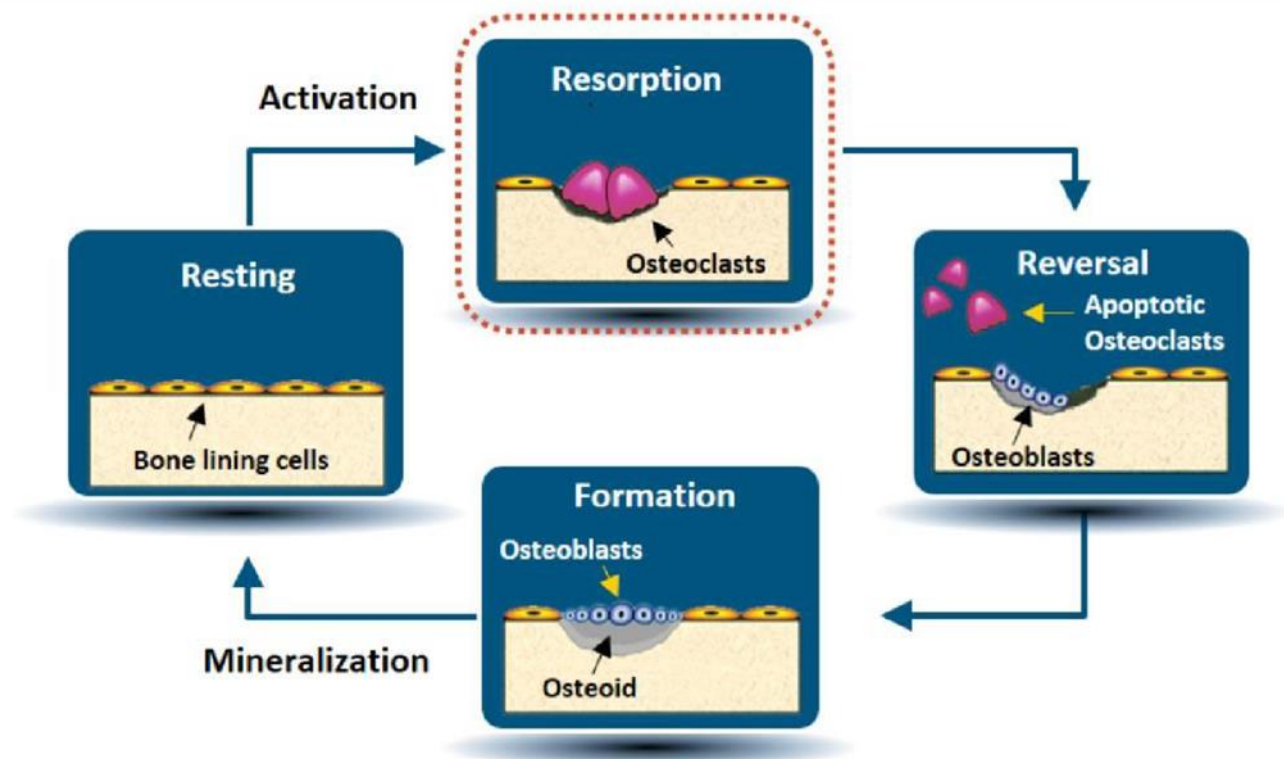
Cortical Bone

- Dense outer shell of compact bone; defines bone shape^{1,5}
- 80% of skeletal mass²
- Essential functions
 - Provides biomechanical strength⁸
 - Attachment site for tendons and muscles⁵
 - Protects vital organs it surrounds¹
- Turnover rate of 2%–3% per year^{2,7,8}

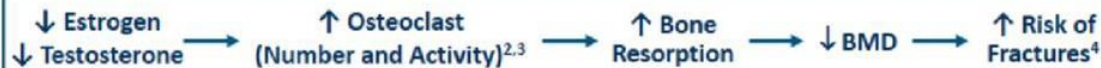
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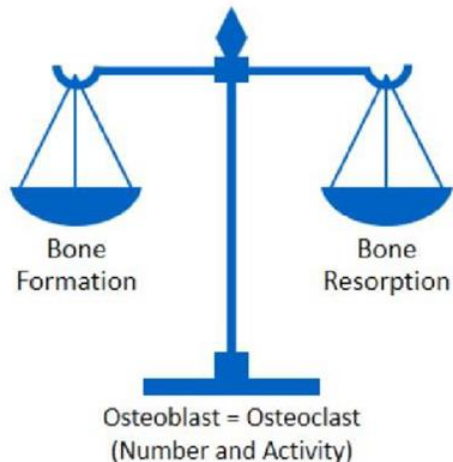
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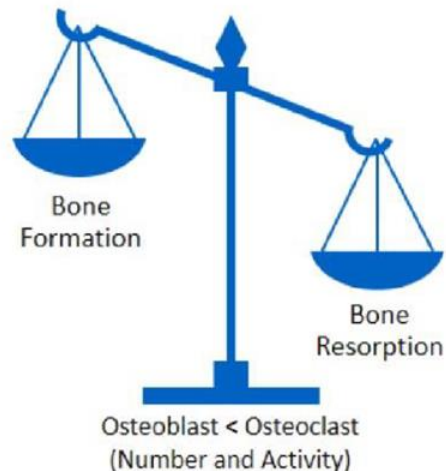
BONE REMODELING IS OUT OF BALANCE IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN¹



Normal Bone Remodeling



Osteoporosis



BMD, bone mineral density.

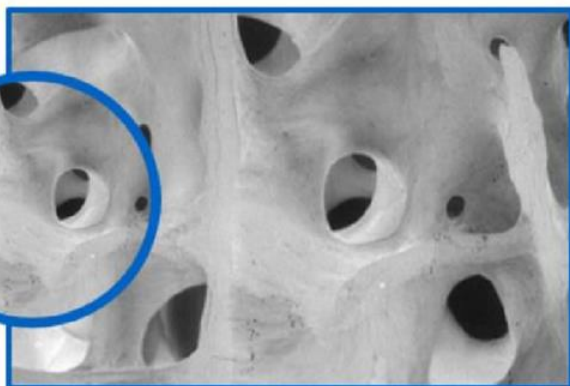
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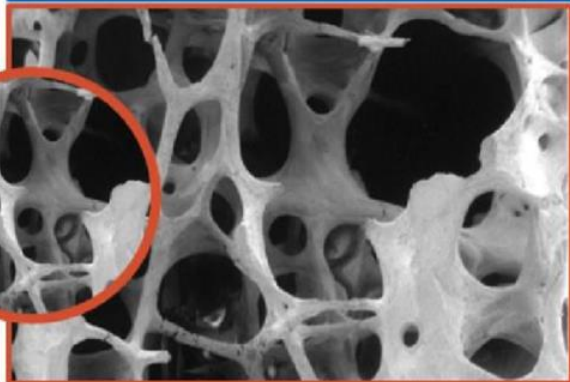
EFFECT OF INCREASED BONE LOSS OVER TIME

- The imbalance of bone resorption and formation, leading to osteoporosis, can cause:¹
 - Impaired bone architecture
 - Compromised bone strength
 - Increased risk of fracture

Normal



Osteoporosis

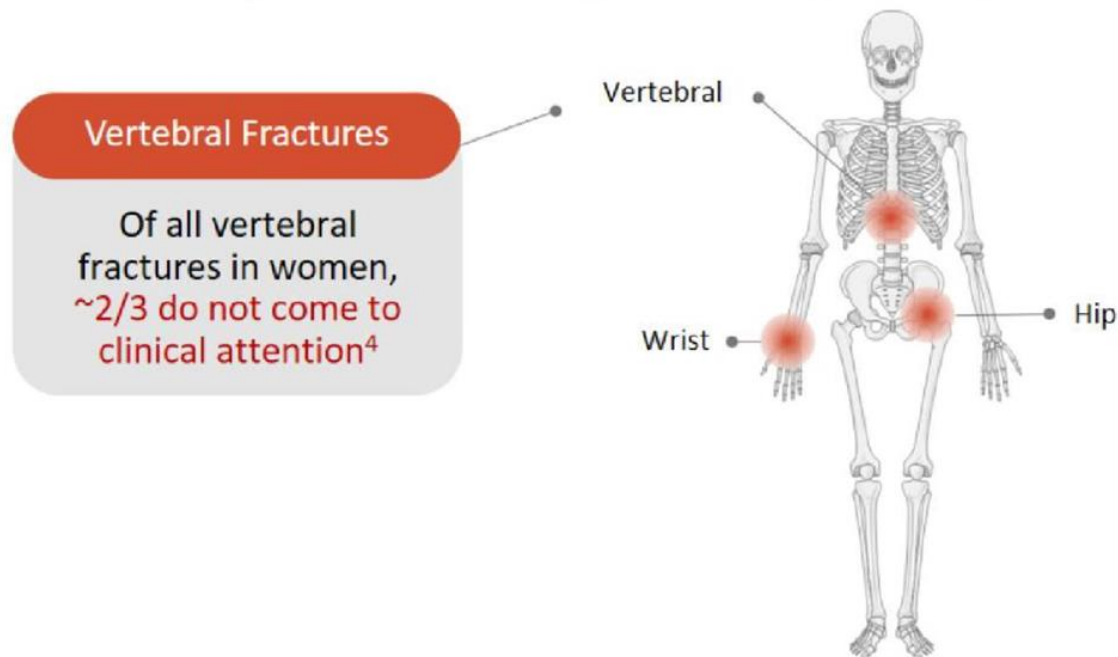


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FRACTURES AT MAJOR SKELETAL SITES IN ADULTS OLDER THAN 50 SHOULD BE FURTHER ASSESSED FOR OSTEOPOROSIS^{1,2}

Major Sites of Osteoporosis-related Fractures^{1,3}



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OSTEOPOROSIS-RELATED FRACTURES CAN BE ASSOCIATED WITH DISABILITY AND LOSS OF INDEPENDENCE

Potential Impact of Osteoporosis-Related Fractures



Admission to nursing home or long-term care facilities¹



Financial burden on patients and caregivers²⁻⁵



Decreased ability to perform activities of daily living^{1,6,7}



Worry about falls, future fracture, and potential for nursing home care^{3,8}

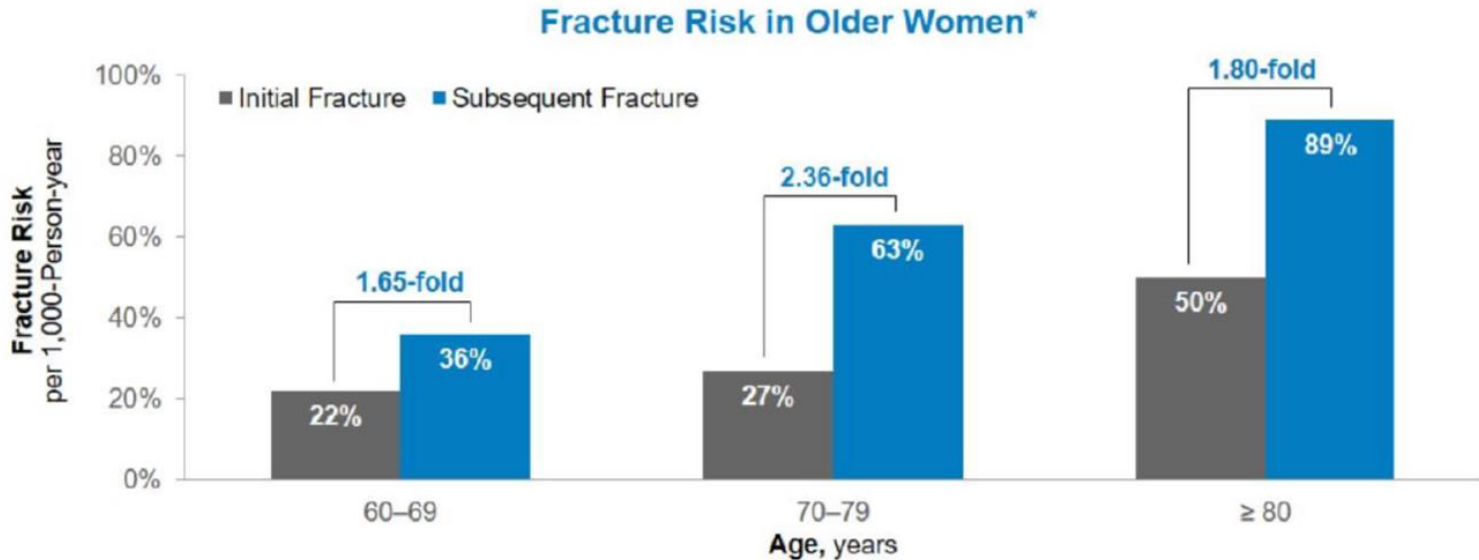


Consequences such as chronic pain and other complications^{6,9}

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Risk of Subsequent Fracture Increases After Prior Fracture¹



Once a patient has experienced a fracture, the chances of having another one are much higher¹

*Not living in nursing homes.

1. Adapted from Center JR, et al. *JAMA*. 2007;297:387-394.

Updated PMO Guidelines: Recommendations for Fracture Risk Assessment

AACE Guidelines¹

- Evaluate all postmenopausal women aged ≥ 50 years for OP risk
- A detailed history, physical exam, and clinical fracture risk assessment with FRAX™ or other fracture risk assessment tool should be included in the initial evaluation for OP
- Consider BMD testing in women ≥ 65 years of age or based on clinical fracture risk profile
- When BMD is measured, axial DXA measurement (lumbar spine and hip; 1/3 radius if indicated) should be used

ENDO Guidelines²

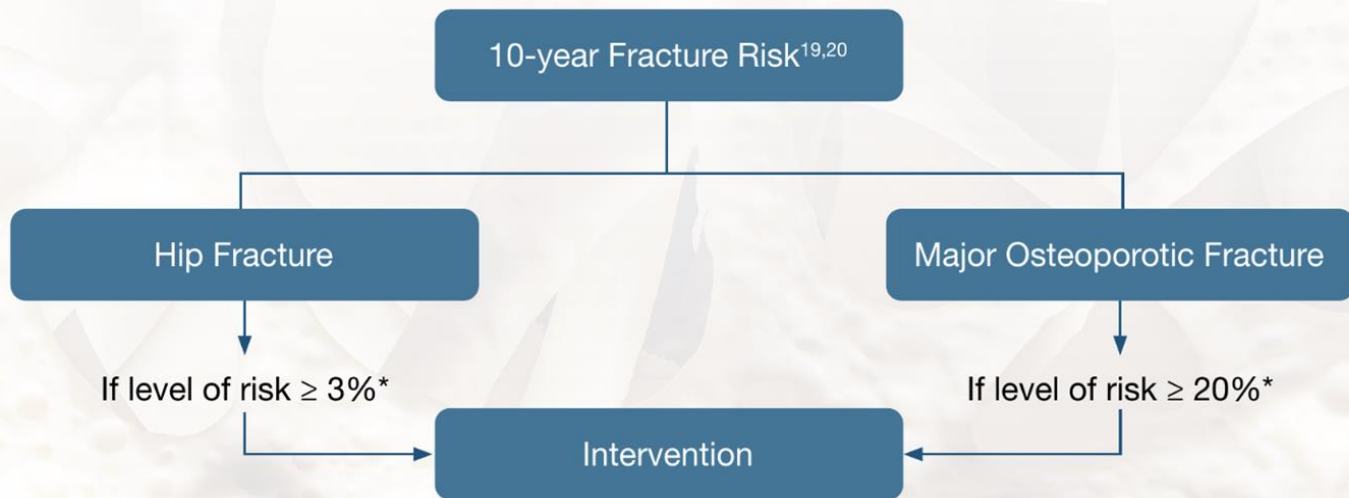
- Evaluate all postmenopausal women for OP risk
- Measure lumbar spine and hip BMD
- Clinical fracture risk assessment using FRAX™ with femoral neck BMD

*Interpretation of FRAX™ scores may be influenced by exposure to glucocorticoids, information on lumbar spine BMD, trabecular bone score, hip axis length, falls history, immigration status and type 2 diabetes mellitus. ¹With a history of ≥ 4 cm height loss, kyphosis, recent or current long-term oral glucocorticoid therapy or a BMD T-score ≤ -2.5 . AACE = American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists; BMD = bone mineral density; DXA = dual-energy x-ray absorptiometry; ENDO = Endocrine Society; ESCEO = European Society for Clinical and Economic Aspects of Osteoporosis, Osteoarthritis and Musculoskeletal Diseases; FRAX = Fracture Risk Assessment Tool; IOF = International Osteoporosis Foundation; OP = osteoporosis; PMO = postmenopausal osteoporosis.

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FRAX[®] Calculator




*Represents National Osteoporosis Foundation recommended intervention thresholds.²¹
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AACE, American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists; **BMD**, bone mineral density; **DXA**, dual energy X-ray absorptiometry; **FRAX**, fracture risk assessment tool; **MAPD**, Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug; **MOF**, major osteoporotic fracture; **TBS**, trabecular bone score

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Risk Factors for Osteoporosis

- Low body weight
 - Excessive alcohol intake
 - Smoking
 - Family history
 - Glucocorticoid use
 - Risk of falling due to other medical conditions
 - Including balance issues, hearing impairment, medications causing drowsiness, neuropathy, among others
 - Risk of falling due to environmental factors
 - Including poor lighting, uneven walking surfaces, dogs
 - Secondary causes of osteoporosis
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Secondary Causes of Osteoporosis

Endocrine or metabolic causes	Nutritional/ GI conditions	Drugs	Disorders of collagen metabolism	Other
Acromegaly Diabetes mellitus Type 1 Type 2 Growth hormone deficiency Hypercortisolism Hyperparathyroidism Hyperthyroidism Hypogonadism Hypophosphatasia Porphyria Pregnancy	Alcoholism Anorexia nervosa Calcium deficiency Chronic liver disease Malabsorption syndromes/ malnutrition (including celiac disease, cystic fibrosis, Crohn disease, and gastric resection or bypass) Total parenteral nutrition Vitamin D deficiency	Anti-epileptic drugs ^b Aromatase inhibitors Chemotherapy/ immunosuppressants Medroxyprogesterone acetate Glucocorticoids Gonadotropin-releasing hormone agents Heparin Lithium Proton pump inhibitors Selective serotonin- reuptake inhibitors SGLT2-inhibitors Thiazolidinediones Thyroid hormone (in supraphysiologic doses)	Ehlers-Danlos syndrome Homocystinuria due to cystathionine deficiency Marfan syndrome Osteogenesis imperfecta	AIDS/HIV Ankylosing spondylitis Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease Gaucher disease Hemophilia Hypercalciuria Immobilization Major depression Myeloma and some cancers Organ transplantation Renal insufficiency/ failure Renal tubular acidosis Rheumatoid arthritis Systemic mastocytosis Thalassemia

AIDS = acquired immunodeficiency syndrome; GI = gastrointestinal; HIV = human immunodeficiency virus; SGLT2 = sodium-glucose cotransporter 2.

^aNot meant to be a complete list.

^bPhenobarbital, phenytoin, primidone, valproate, and carbamazepine have been associated with low bone mass.

Laboratory Testing – Ruling Out Secondary Causes


- CBC, CMP
 - TSH, FT3, FT4
 - PTH intact
 - 25 hydroxy vitamin D
 - Serum/ urine electrophoresis
 - 24-hour urinary calcium excretion in select patients
 - Celiac disease panel
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Table 6
2020 AACE Diagnosis of Osteoporosis in Postmenopausal Women

1. T-score ≤ -2.5 in the lumbar spine, femoral neck, total proximal femur, or 1/3 radius
2. Low-trauma spine or hip fracture (*regardless of bone mineral density*)
3. T-score between -1.0 and -2.5 **and** a fragility fracture of proximal humerus, pelvis, or distal forearm
4. T-score between -1.0 and -2.5 **and** high FRAX[®] (or if available, TBS-adjusted FRAX[®]) fracture probability based on country-specific thresholds

Abbreviations: AACE = American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists; FRAX[®] = fracture risk assessment tool; TBS = trabecular bone score.

Updated PMO Guidelines Provide Similar Characterization of Fracture Risk¹⁻³

	HIGH RISK	VERY HIGH RISK
AACE ¹	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Fragility fractures in the absence of other metabolic bone disorders even with normal BMD, <i>or</i>❑ T-score ≤ -2.5 in the lumbar spine, femoral neck, total hip, or 1/3 radius even in the absence of a prevalent fracture, <i>or</i>❑ FRAX™ $\geq 20\%$ MOF <i>or</i> $\geq 3\%$ hip	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Recent fracture (< 12 months), <i>or</i>❑ Fractures while on approved osteoporosis therapy, <i>or</i>❑ Multiple fractures, <i>or</i>❑ Fractures while on drugs causing skeletal harm, <i>or</i>❑ Very low T-score (e.g., < -3.0), <i>or</i>❑ High fall risk or history of injurious falls, <i>or</i>❑ Very high fracture probability by FRAX™ (e.g., major osteoporosis fracture $> 30\%^*$, hip fracture $> 4.5\%^*$) or other validated fracture risk algorithm to be at very high fracture risk
ENDO ²	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Prior spine or hip fracture, <i>or</i>❑ T-score ≤ -2.5, <i>or</i>❑ FRAX™ $\geq 20\%$ MOF <i>or</i> $\geq 3\%$ hip	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Multiple spine fractures AND❑ T-score at the hip or spine of -2.5 or below

⁴Per AACE, these FRAX estimates are not based on published evidence and are only examples of levels of risk warranting special consideration.

AACE = American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists; BMD = bone mineral density; ENDO = Endocrine Society; FRAX = Fracture Risk Assessment Tool; MOF = major osteoporotic fracture.

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Lifestyle Recommendations for Osteoporotic Patients

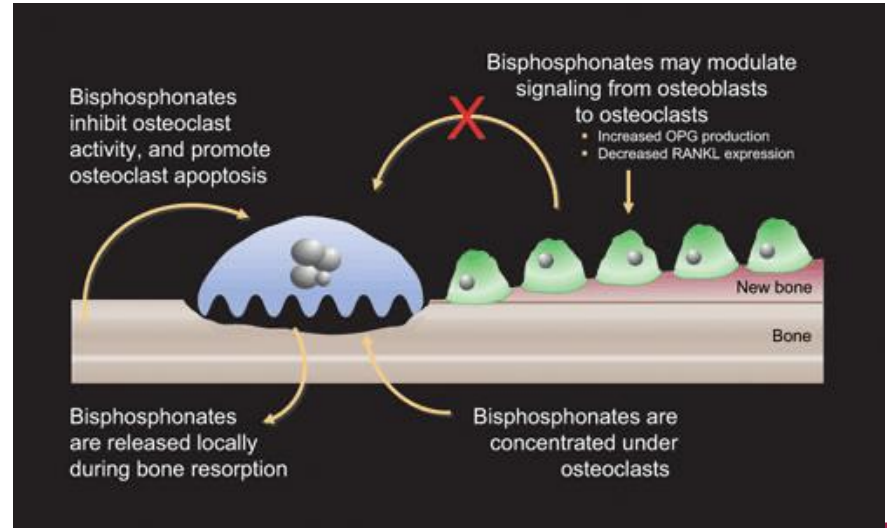
- 1200 mg of elemental calcium through **diet** or supplement
 - 8 ounces of milk = 6 ounces of yogurt = 1.5 ounces of cheese = 300 mg calcium
- Vitamin D levels above 40 mg/dl
- At least 800-1000 IU per day, preferably administered with food
 - Doses may vary depending on secondary absorption issues
- Weight bearing exercises
- Reduce alcohol consumption
- Smoking cessation
- Environmental accommodations
- Risk reduction of fall
 - Glasses for visually impaired, walker or cane



Pharmacotherapy for Osteoporotic Patients

Bisphosphonates:

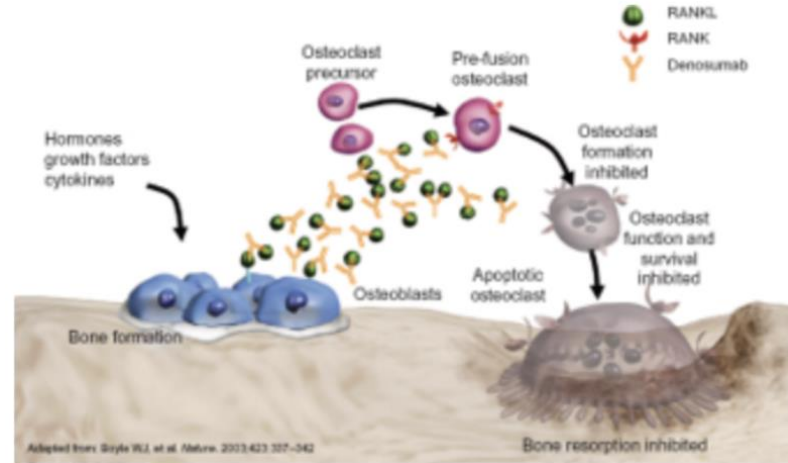
- Alendronate, Risedronate, Ibandronate, Zoledronic acid
 - Ibandronate does not improve BMD at spine
 - Alendronate and Risedronate comparison trial showed relatively greater BMD in hip and spine with Alendronate, however, benefits didn't translate into fracture risk reduction
- Act by decreasing osteoclast activity
- Contraindications: GFR < 35, history of esophageal disorders or malabsorption



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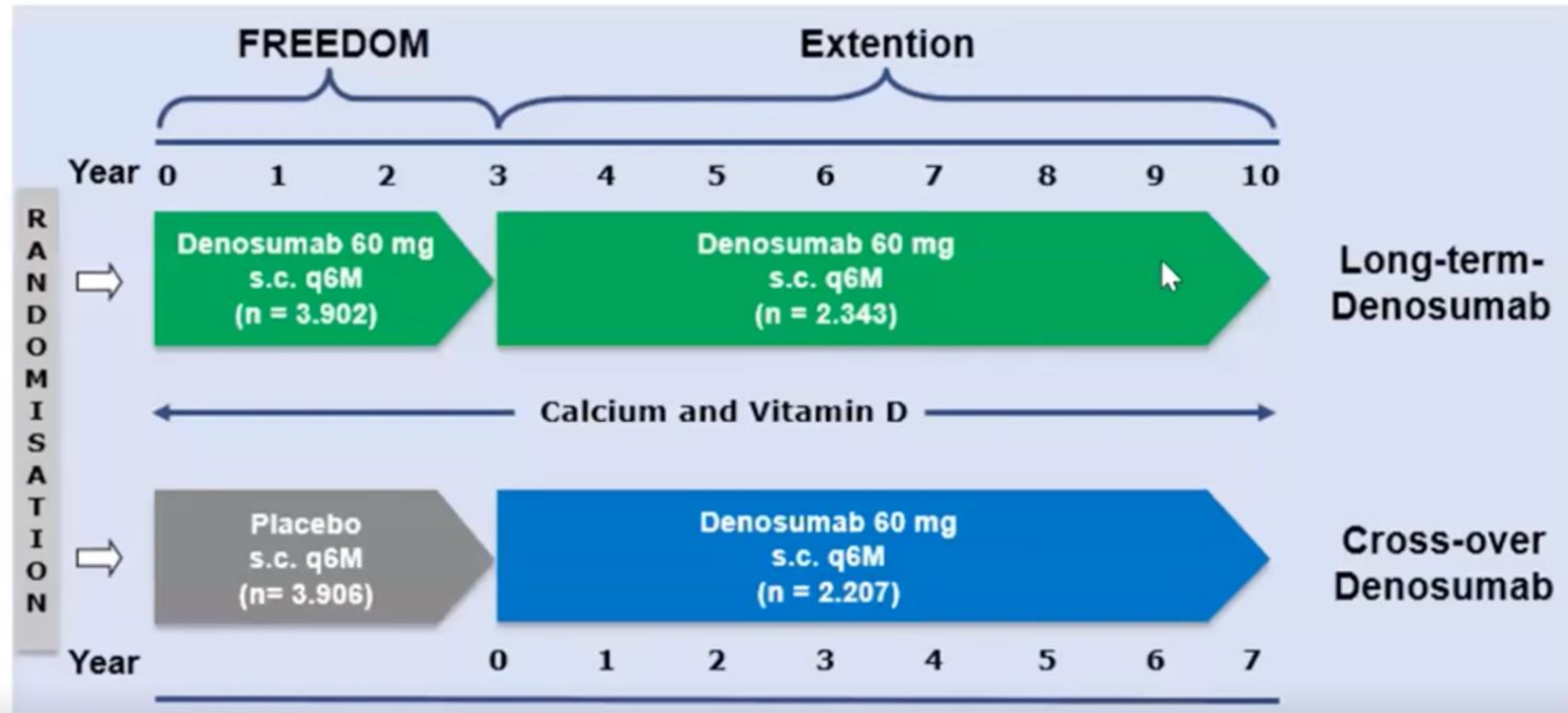
Denosumab:

- Human monoclonal antibody against RANK ligand
 - Surface of osteoclast and osteoclast precursors
 - RANK - RANKL interaction is the key mediator of osteoclastic activation
- Fracture Reduction Evaluation of Denosumab in Osteoporosis Every 6 Months (FREEDOM) Trial of 7,808 women with postmenopausal osteoporosis
 - Showed “broad-spectrum” antifracture efficacy as early as 12 months after starting therapy
- Studies have reported safe and effective use for up to 10 years
- Contraindications: hypocalcemia, vitamin D deficiency
- Renal insufficiency is not a contraindication
- Drug holidays are not recommended while using Denosumab

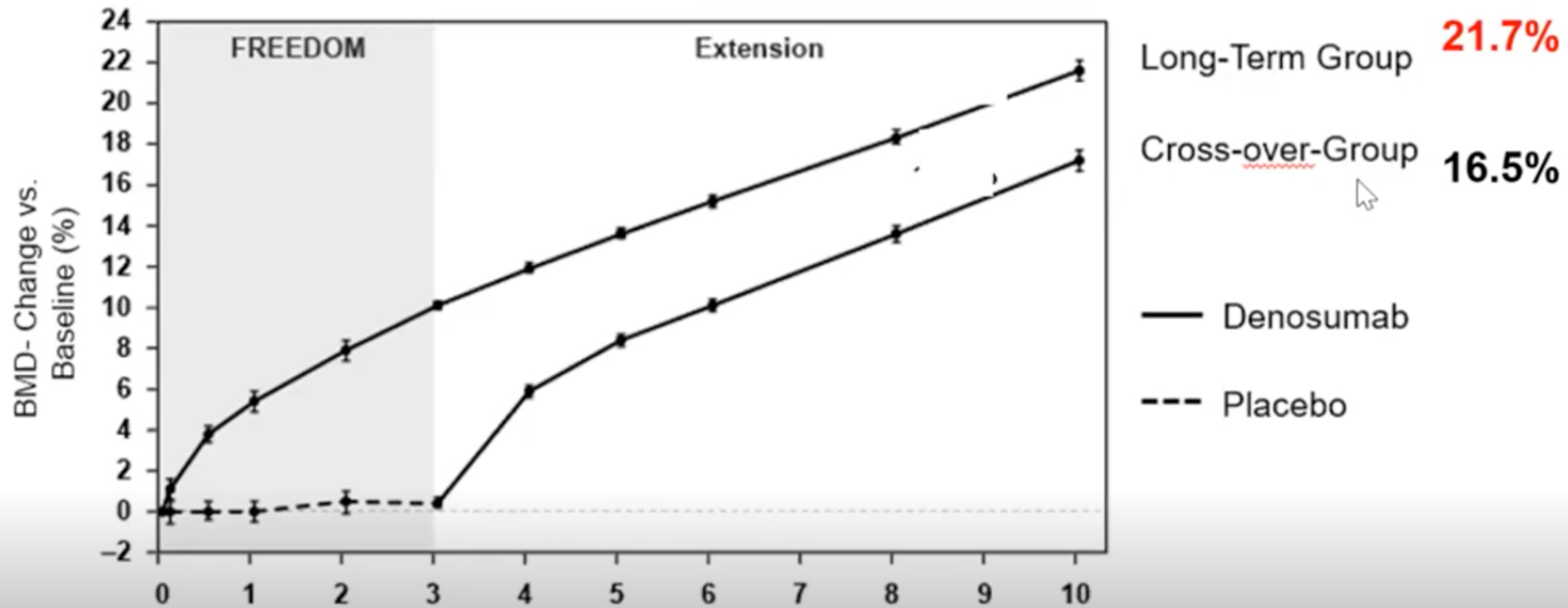


10-Year Analysis of FREEDOM-Extension Trial

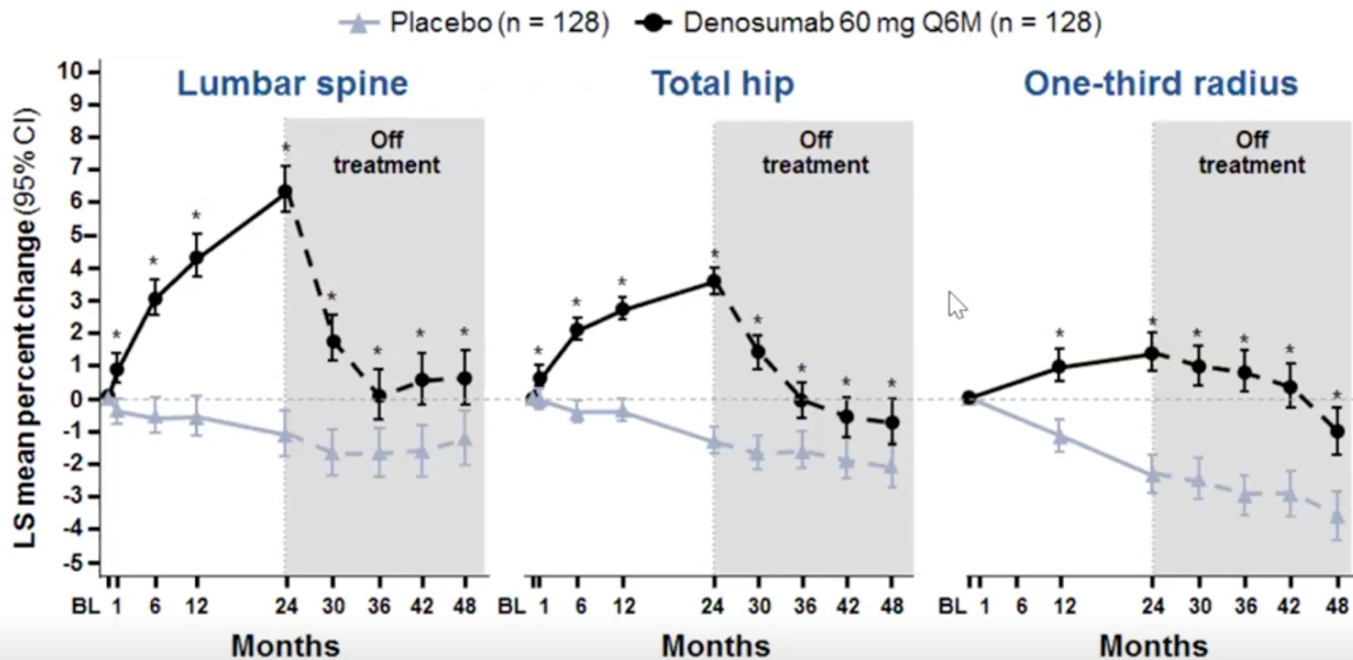
Denosumab in the Treatment of postmenopausal osteoporosis



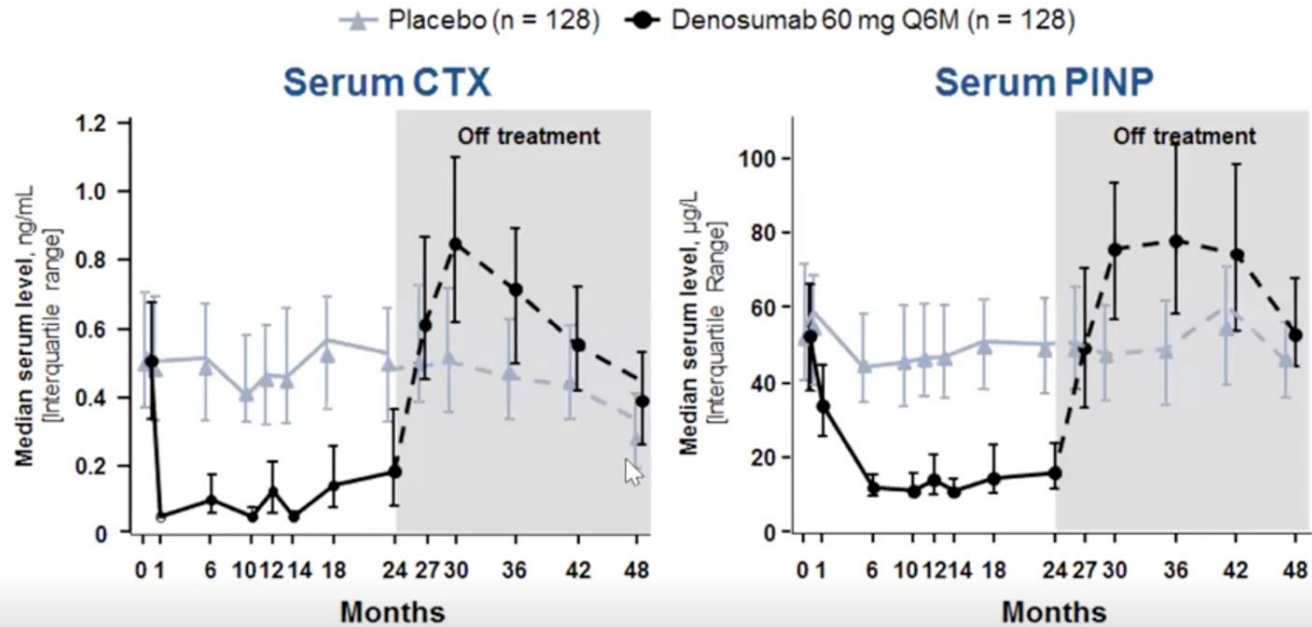
Lumbar Spine: Cumulative BMD increase **21.7%** in the Long-Term Group and **16.5%** in the Cross-Over-Group



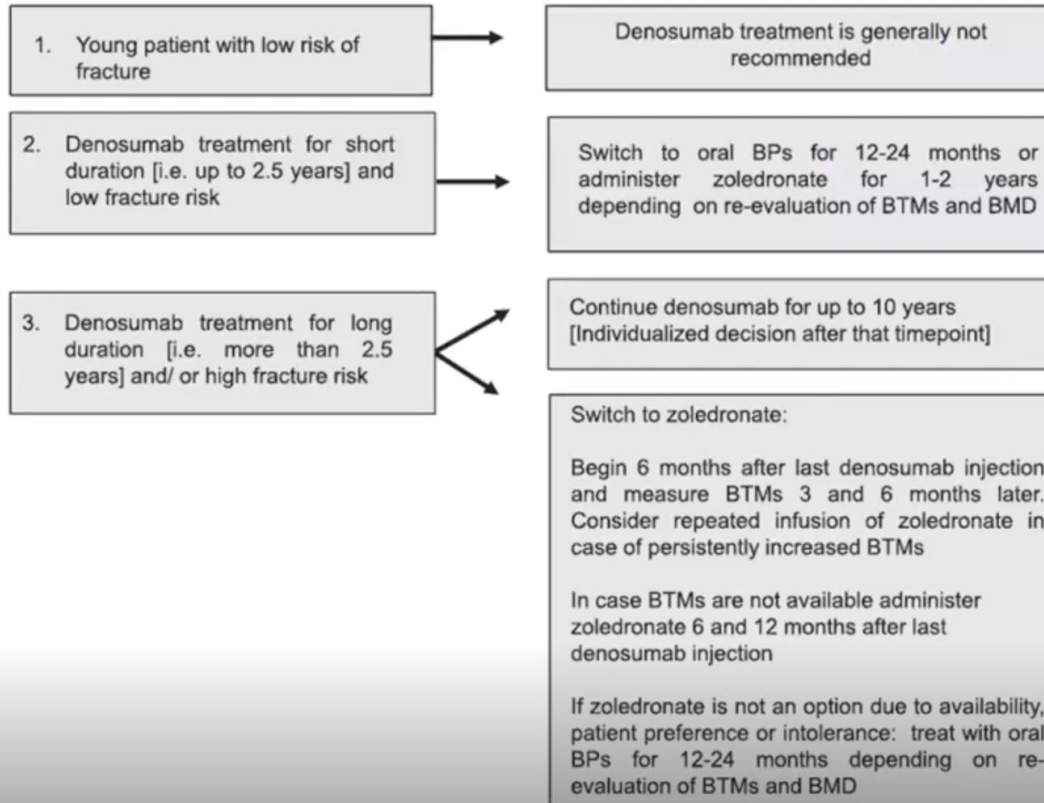
Effects of Denosumab Discontinuation on BMD



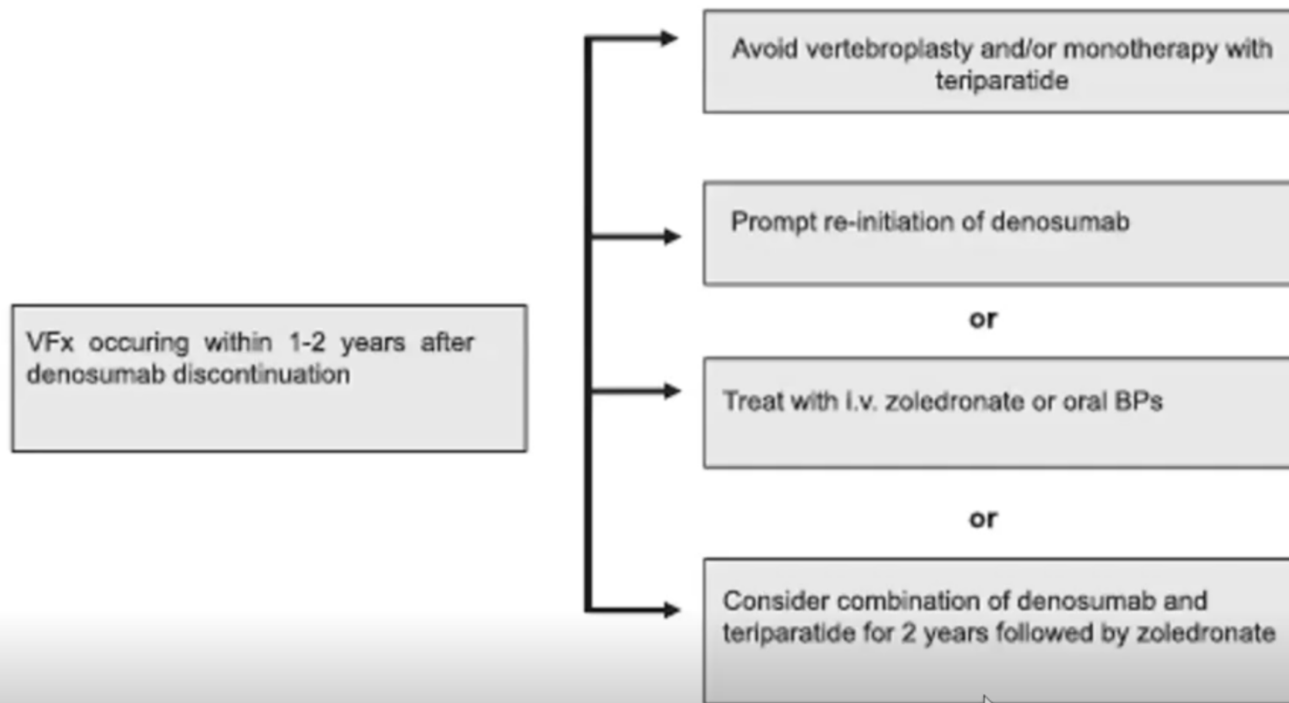
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Recommendations for Clinicians



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Risk Factors for Antiresorptive Therapy

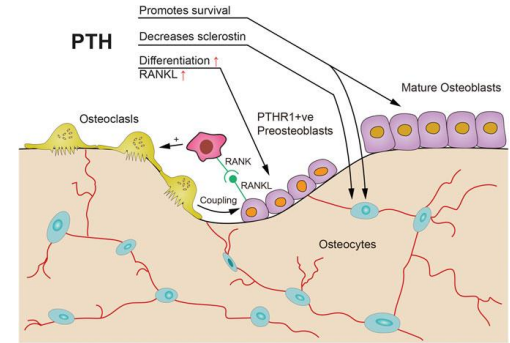
- The incidence of osteonecrosis of the jaw (ONJ) and atypical femur fracture (AFF) is much lower with oral or IV bisphosphonate therapy for osteoporosis, than when used for treatment of cancer
- Bisphosphonate data shows order of 1/10,000 to 1/100,000 patients per year
- Denosumab therapy of osteoporosis, with 5.2 cases per 10,000 patient-years



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Teriparatide and Abaloparatide - PTH and PTHrP Analogs:

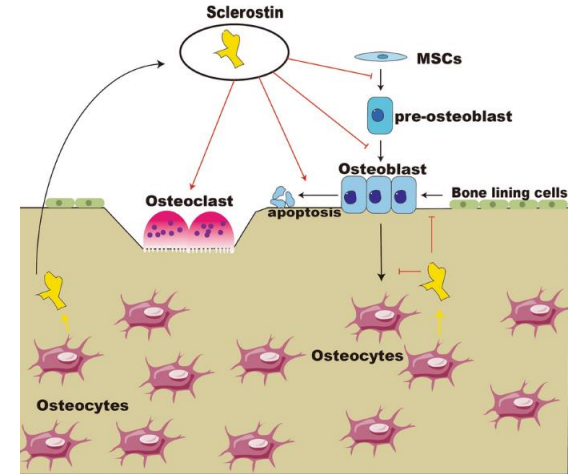
- Recommended for postmenopausal women (PMW) with osteoporosis who are at high risk of fracture
- Recommended dose 20 mcg sc daily injection for a duration of 2 years for reduction of vertebral and nonvertebral fractures
- After completion of course, follow with treatment with anti-resorptive osteoporosis therapies to maintain bone density gains and reduce fracture risk



Pharmacotherapy for Osteoporotic Patients

Romosozumab:

- Recommended for PMW with severe osteoporosis and high risk of fracture or history of multiple vertebral fractures
- Recommended for a duration of 1 year
- Recommended dosage is 210 mg monthly by subcutaneous injection
- Women at high risk of cardiovascular disease or stroke should not be treated with Romosozumab
- After completion of course, follow with treatment with anti-resorptive osteoporosis therapies to maintain bone density gains and reduce fracture risk

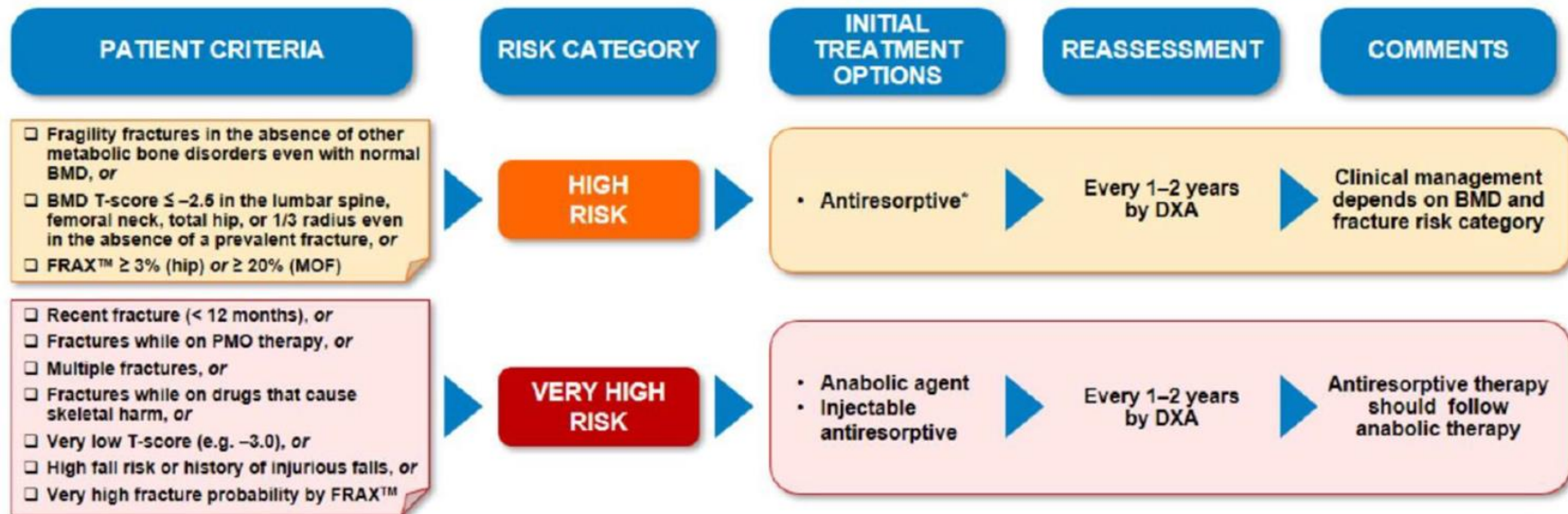


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- **Selective Estrogen Receptor Modulators:**
 - Recommended for PMW with osteoporosis at high risk of fracture and any of the following characteristics:
 - Patient has low risk of deep vein thrombosis (DVT)
 - Patient is not recommended to use bisphosphonates or denosumab
 - Patient has high risk of breast cancer
- **Menopausal Hormone Therapy:**
 - Recommended for PMW at high risk of fracture and any of the following characteristics:
 - Patient is under 60 years of age or <10 years past menopause
 - Patient has low risk of DVT
 - Patient is not recommended to use bisphosphonates or denosumab
 - Patient has bothersome vasomotor symptoms
 - Patient has not had MI or stroke
 - Patient does not have breast cancer
 - Recommended that estrogen is used only in women with hysterectomy



Updated AACE Guidelines for the Management of PMO¹



Injectable agents[†] are recommended as initial therapy for patients who are at very highest fracture risk, who might not tolerate or absorb oral medications, and those with decreased adherence¹

*SERMs are included as alternative initial treatment options. †Agents include anabolic therapies and injectable antiresorptives.

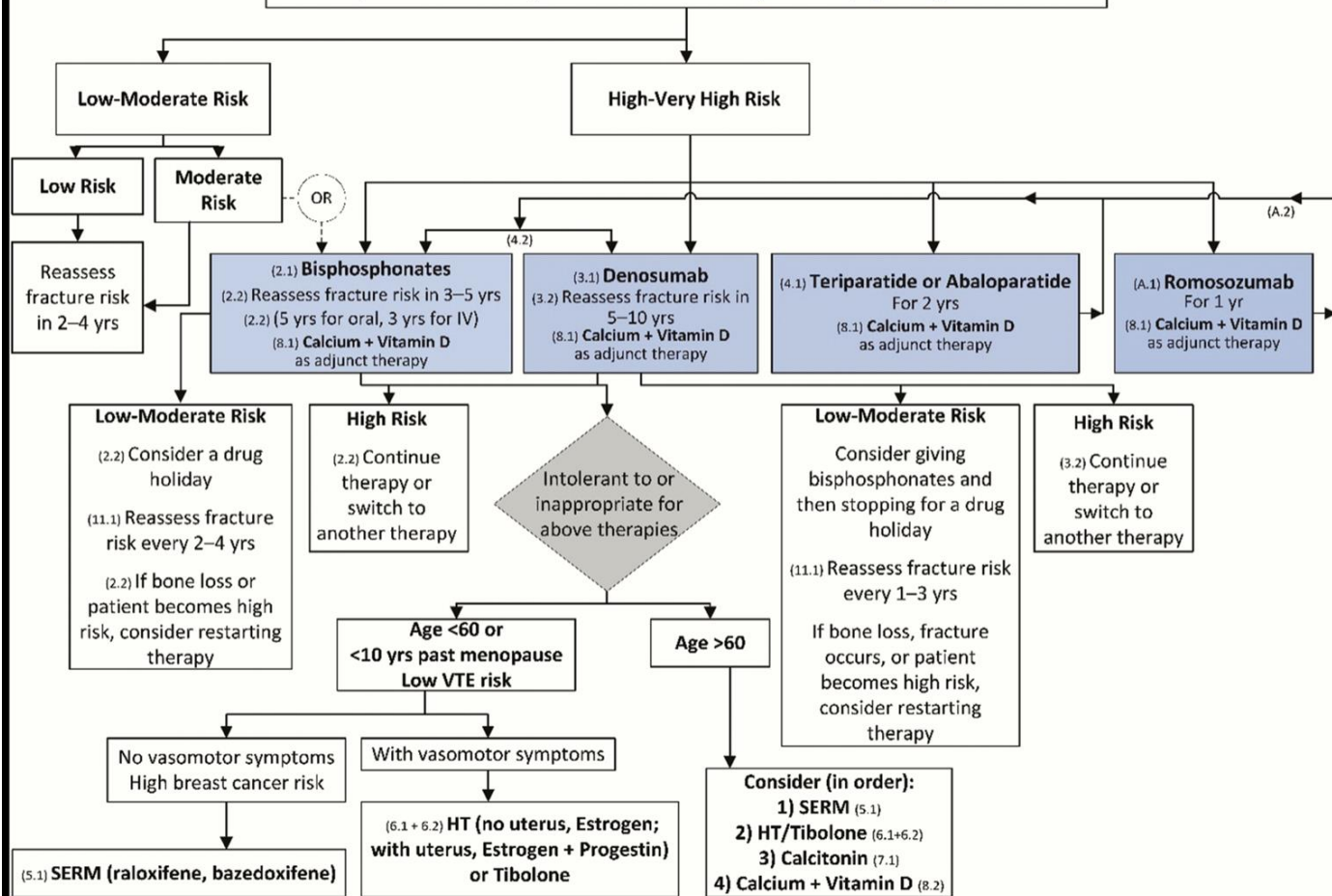
AACE = American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists; BMD = bone mineral density; DXA = dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry; FRAX = Fracture Risk Assessment Tool; MOF = major osteoporotic fracture; PMO = postmenopausal osteoporosis; SERM = selective estrogen receptor modulator.

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All Postmenopausal Women

- 1) Lifestyle and nutritional optimization for bone health especially calcium and vitamin D
- 2) Determine the 10-year fracture risk according to country-specific guidelines



Sequential therapy

Table 2
Effects of the Second Medication on Bone Mineral Density With Specific Sequences

Transition	Effect of the second agent on BMD
Antiresorptive to antiresorptive	
Bisphosphonates to denosumab ³⁵⁻³⁸	Modest increase in spine and hip BMDs
Denosumab to bisphosphonates ^{43,46-52}	Moderate decrease in spine and hip BMD after long-term denosumab Maintenance in spine and hip BMD after short-term denosumab
Osteoanabolic to antiresorptive	
Teriparatide to bisphosphonates ⁶⁴	Increase in spine and hip BMD
Teriparatide to denosumab ^{65,66}	Increase in spine and hip BMD, larger than with bisphosphonates
Abaloparatide to bisphosphonates ⁵⁹	Increase in spine and hip BMD ^a
Romosozumab to bisphosphonates ⁶¹	Increase in spine and hip BMD ^a
Romosozumab to denosumab ^{58,60}	Increase in spine and hip BMDs, larger than with bisphosphonates ^a
Antiresorptive to osteoanabolic	
Bisphosphonates to teriparatide ^{70,71,73}	Increase in spine BMD, blunted compared with that in de novo teriparatide In hip BMD, a decrease for at least 1 year and a modest increase at 18-24 mo
Bisphosphonates to romosozumab ^{71,72}	Increase in spine and hip BMD, blunted compared with those in de novo romosozumab
Denosumab to teriparatide ⁶⁶	Transient (6-mo) decrease in spine BMD followed by a modest increase More sustained and larger decrease in hip BMD ^b
Denosumab to romosozumab ^{15,72,76}	Increase in spine BMD, blunted compared with that in de novo romosozumab Maintenance in hip BMD

Abbreviation: BMD = bone mineral density.

^a These transitions were also associated with continued antifracture efficacy in pivotal randomized controlled trials.

Secondary osteoporosis

- Glucocorticoid Induced
- Secondary to gonadal antagonist /aromatase inhibitors /therapy (prostate/breast cancer patients)
- Post transplant patients





Thank you

