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Le fratture da fragilità nel paziente in dialisi

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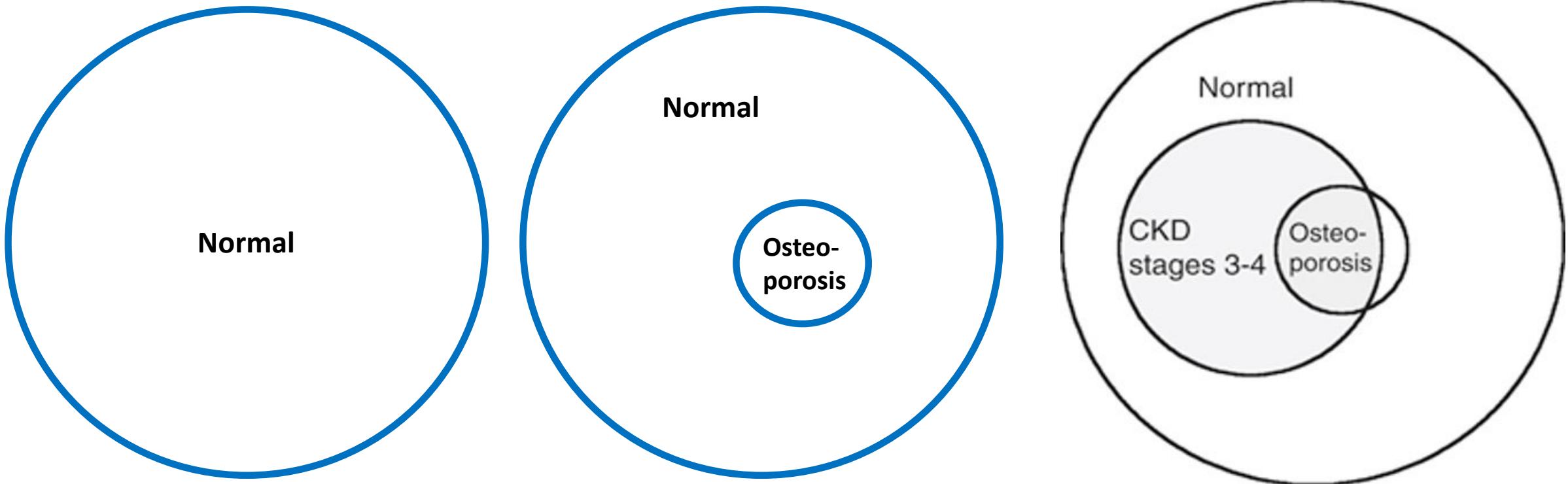


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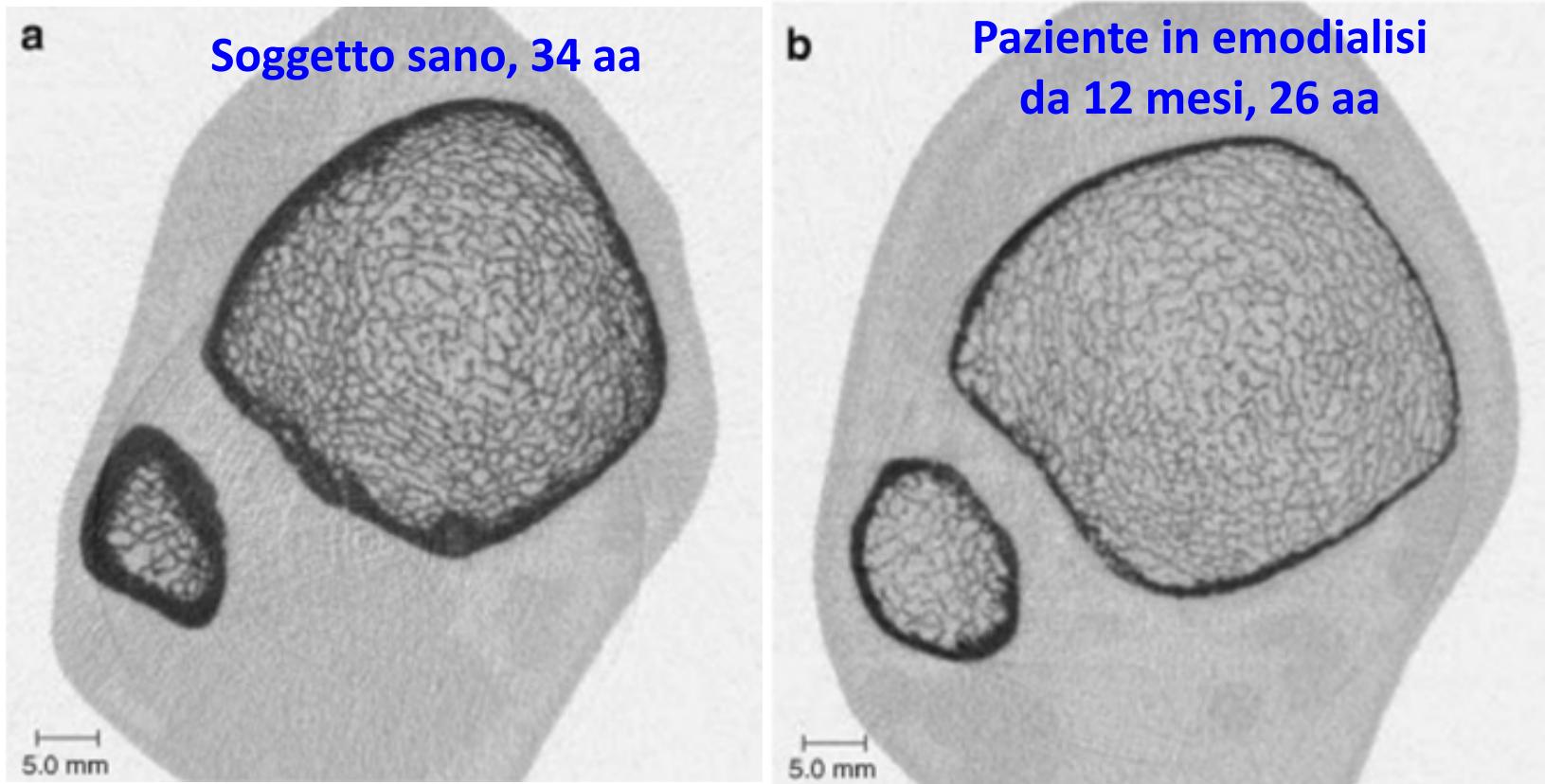
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Overlap between osteoporosis and CKD stages 3–4.



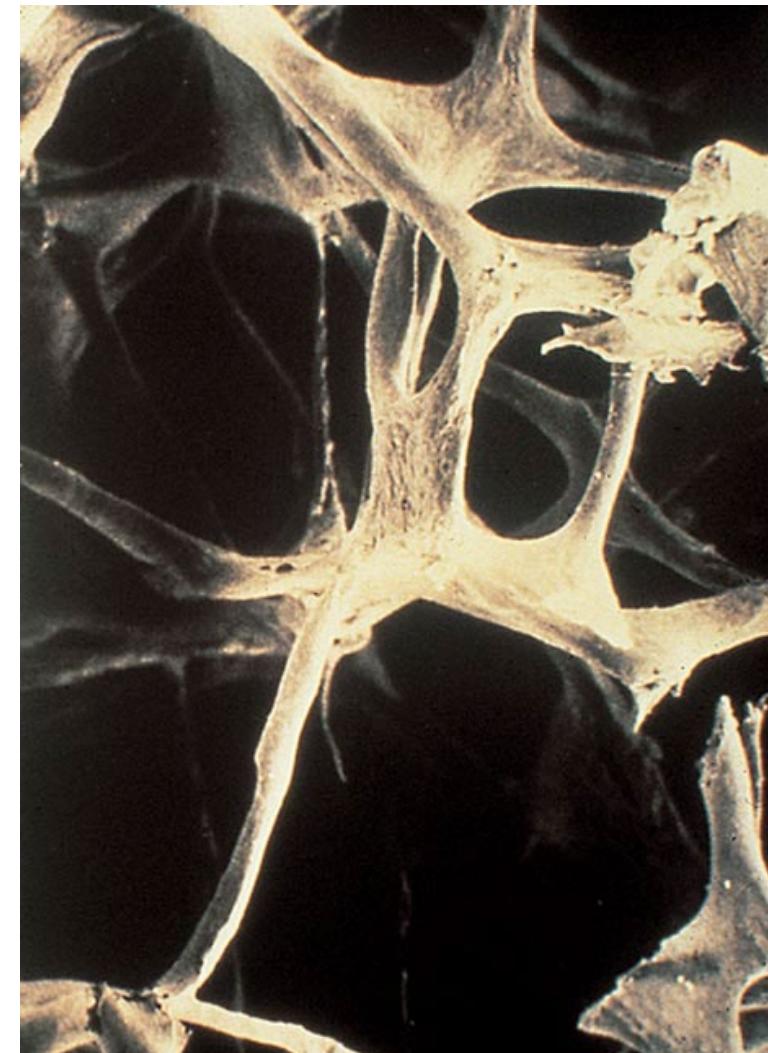
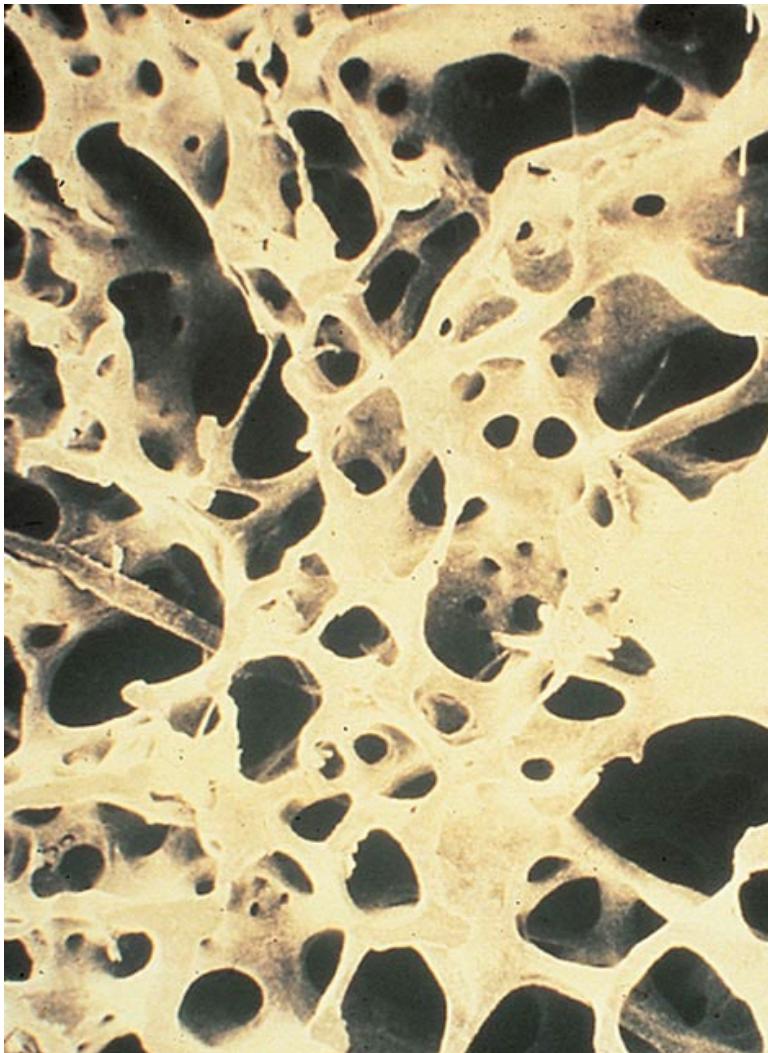
L'osteoporosi associata a CKD-MBD è un problema? Il rischio di fratture è significativamente elevato?



Images of distal tibia using high-resolution peripheral quantitative computed tomography (HR-pQCT). Compared with (A) a male 34-year-old control patient, the cortex of the distal tibia of (B) a 26-year-old male patient on hemodialysis for just over 1 year is thinner, and there is also qualitative impairment of the trabecular bone.

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Scanning electron micrograph of normal and osteoporotic trabecular structures



Fattori di rischio per fratture in CKD

Bone-related risk factors

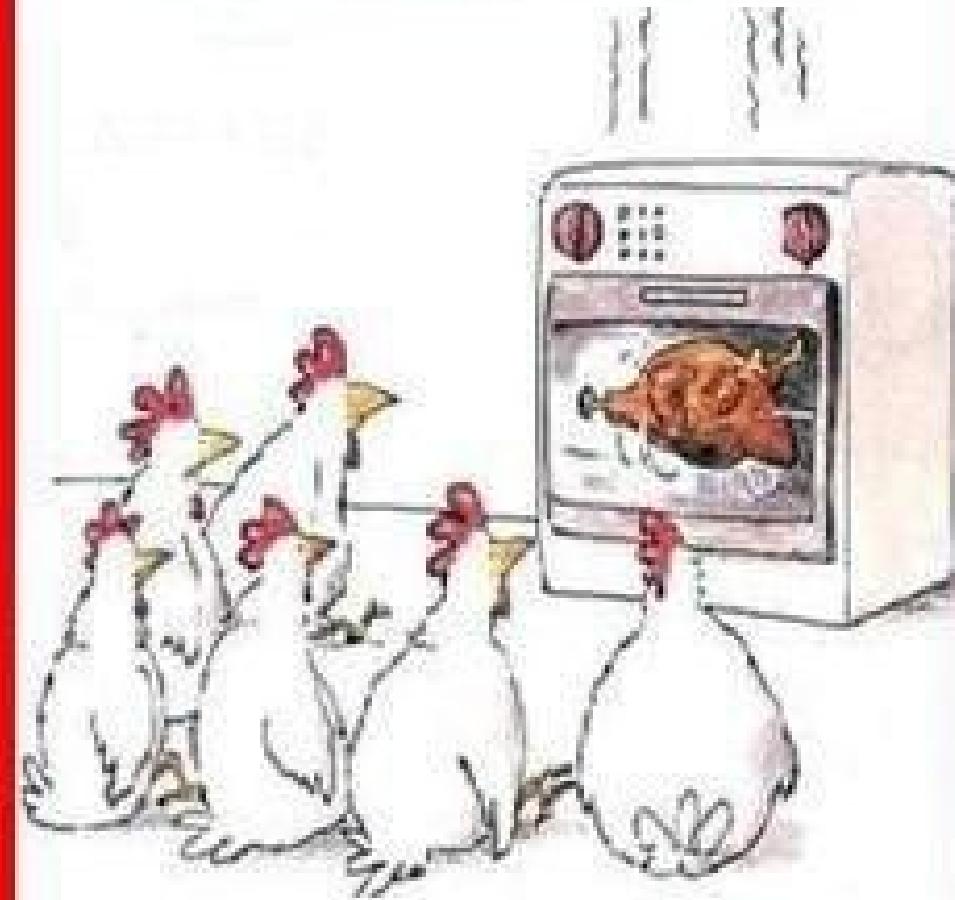
BMD abnormalities

- Traditional risk factor is reduced BMD by DXA, t-score <2.5
- Reduced bone mass with alterations in bone microarchitecture, leading to trabecular and cortical thinning, cortical porosity and trabecularization, altered balance and orientation of newly formed and mature bone. Evaluated with trabecular bone score

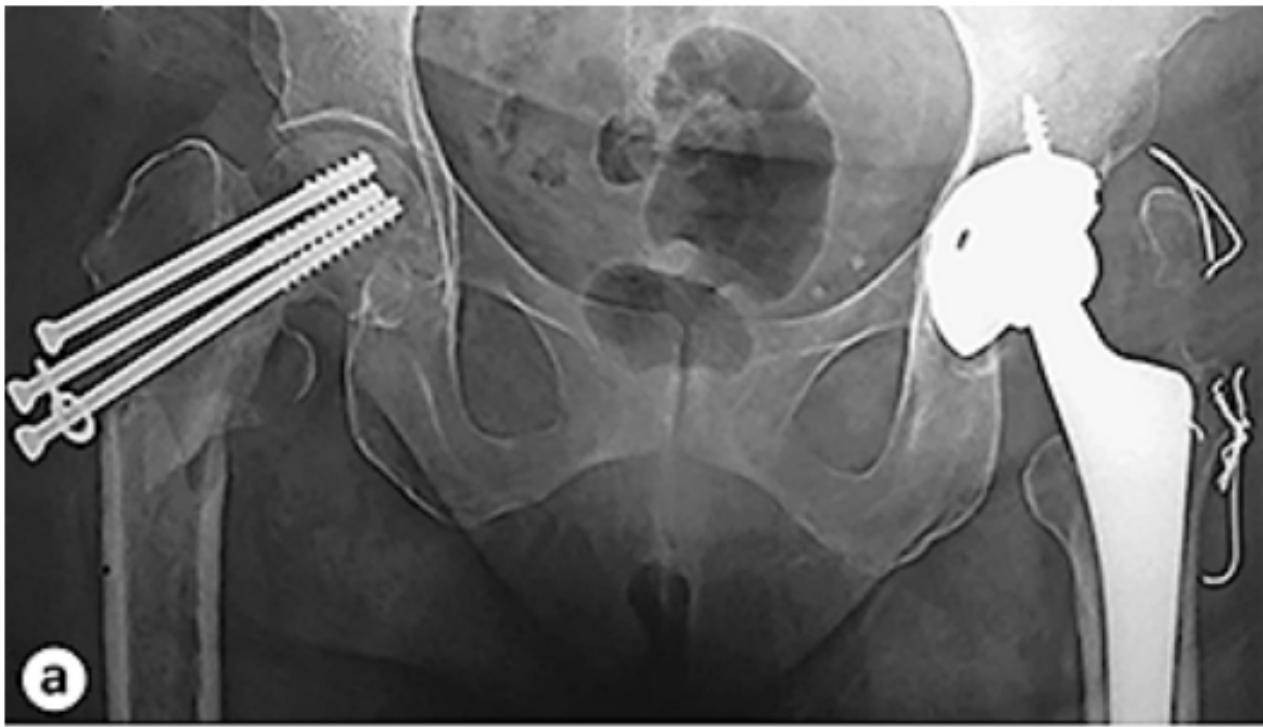
Bone quality abnormalities

- Abnormal remodelling due to loss of normal repair processes, with either increased or decreased bone turnover
- Defective mineralization, leading to osteomalacia
- Progressive microdamage with reduced impact resistance
- Advanced glycation end products cross-linking, leading to bone tissue loss of elasticity and increased fragility

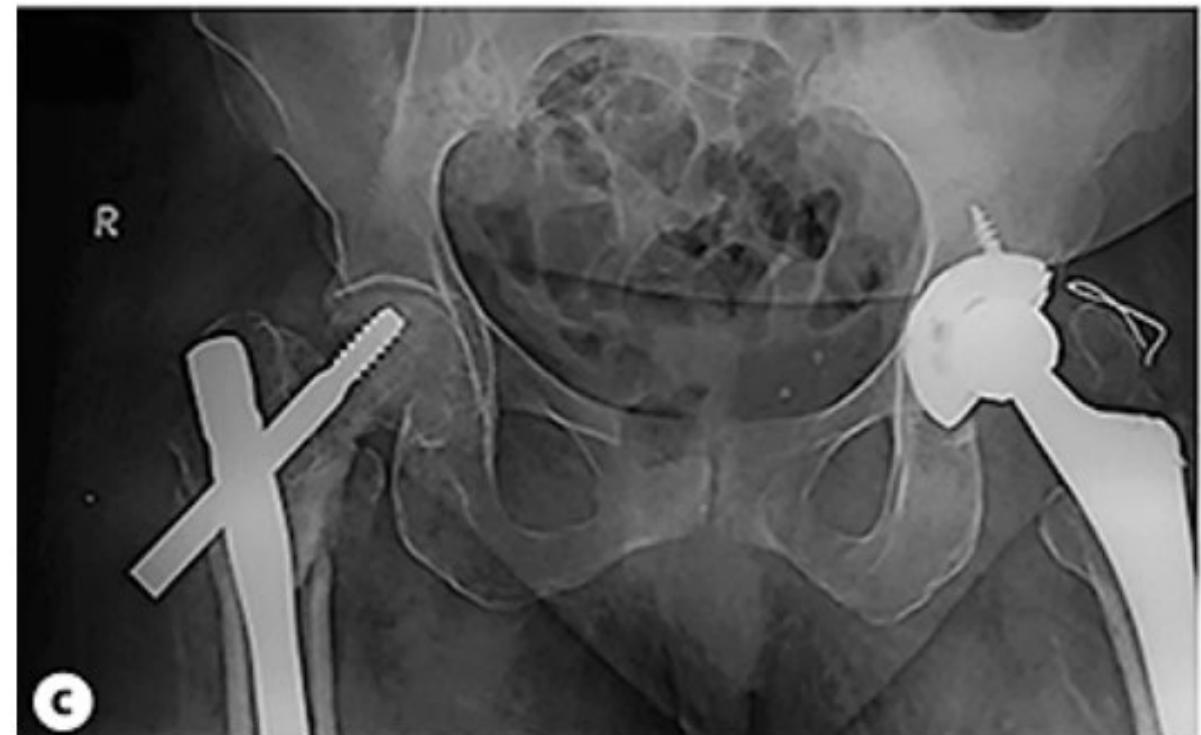
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**Le fratture nel paziente in dialisi sono molto problematiche.
Dopo la prima frattura si può osservare una «cascata» di eventi a causa del
cedimento di un fragile equilibrio**



Right subtrochanteric fracture of the femur distal to the last cannulated screw 24 weeks after fixation.



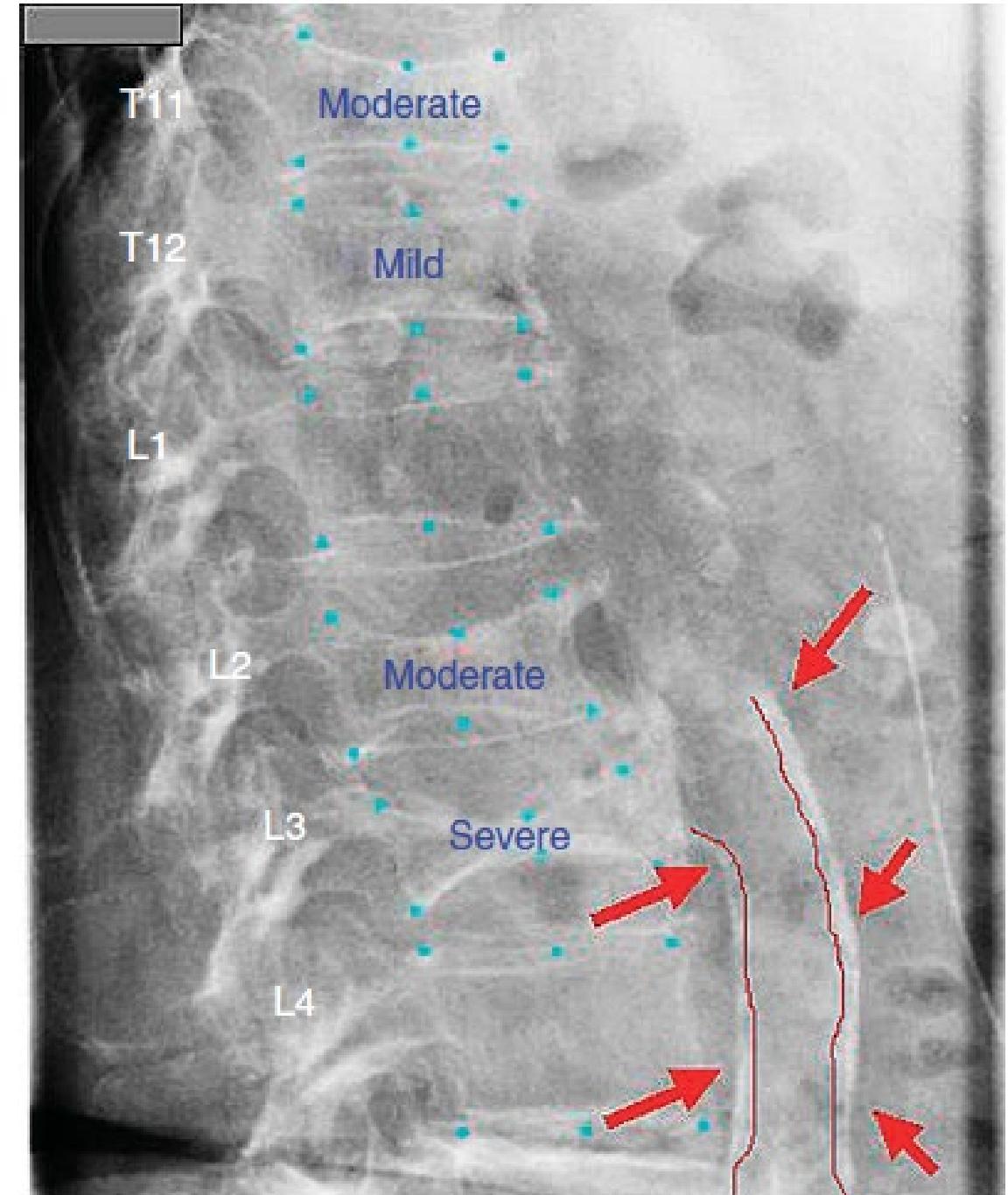
Immediate postoperative radiographs showing fixation of the right subtrochanteric fracture with a long Gamma nail.

L'incidenza e la prevalenza di fratture vertebrali sono sottostimate

Esempio di valutazione di fratture vertebrali con l'ausilio di morfometria vertebrale quantitativa (MVQ).

In questa figura, sono stati identificate le seguenti fratture : T11, biconcava, moderata; T12, biconcava, lieve; L2, biconcava, moderata; L3, biconcava, grave.

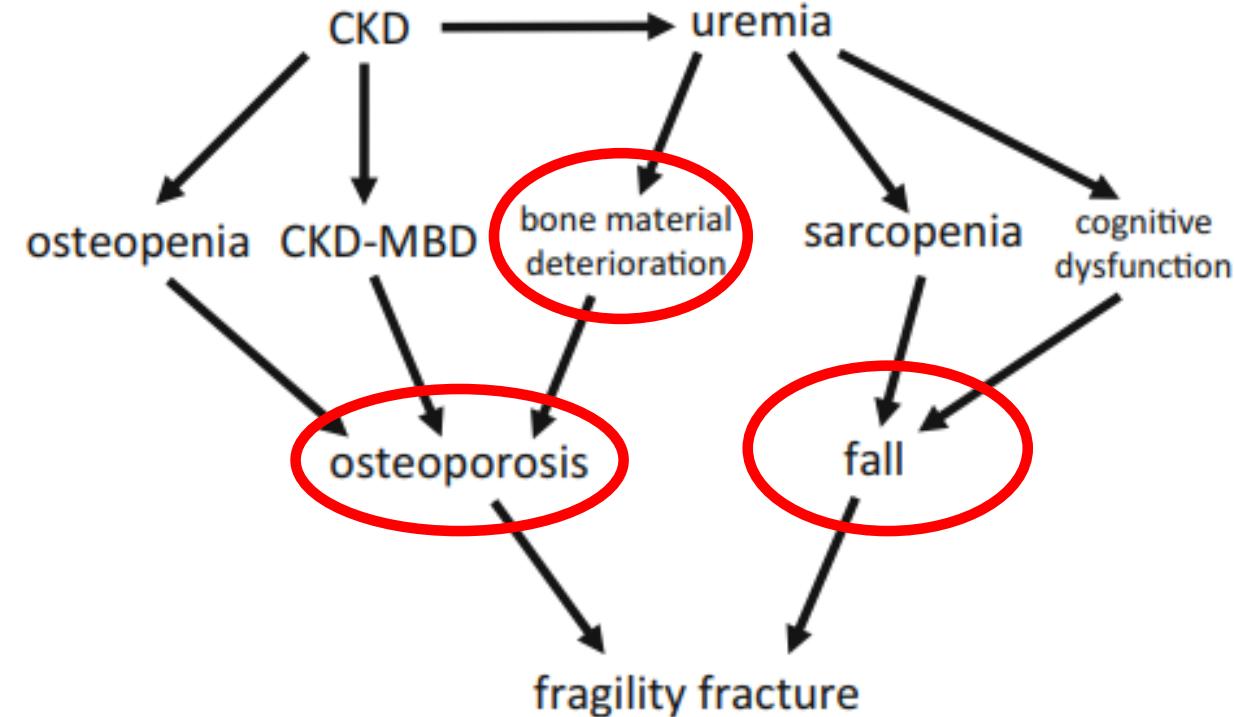
La MVQ è un prezioso strumento clinico e di ricerca che consente una più caratterizzazione precisa delle fratture vertebrali, rispetto ai metodi semiquantitativi, che sono più dipendenti dall'operatore.



CKD/MBD osteoporosis

- Patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD) experience a several-fold increased risk of fracture.
- Despite the high incidence and the associated excess morbidity and premature mortality, bone fragility in CKD, or CKD-associated osteoporosis, remains a blind spot in nephrology with an immense treatment gap.
- Defining the bone phenotype is a prerequisite for the appropriate therapy of CKD-associated osteoporosis at the patient level.

Le fratture in CKD/dialisi hanno cause multifattoriali



- Direct cause of fragility fracture is osteoporosis. Generally, the major cause of osteoporosis is osteopenia (reduced bone quantity), and osteopenia is common in CKD patients. CKD-MBD can also potentially cause osteoporosis.
- Uremia is likely to deteriorate bone material properties (reduced bone quality).
- The frequency of the fall is another major risk of fragility fracture, and uremia also increases the risk of fall, because of sarcopenia and cognitive impairment.

Fratture in dialisi

È stato possibile osservare fratture ossee in pazienti dializzati indipendentemente dalla patologia ossea istologica sottostante, specialmente quando è presente osteoporosi. 1

Nei pazienti con CKD-MBD, la frequenza delle fratture vertebrali e dell'anca è fino a quattro volte maggiore rispetto alla popolazione generale. 2-4

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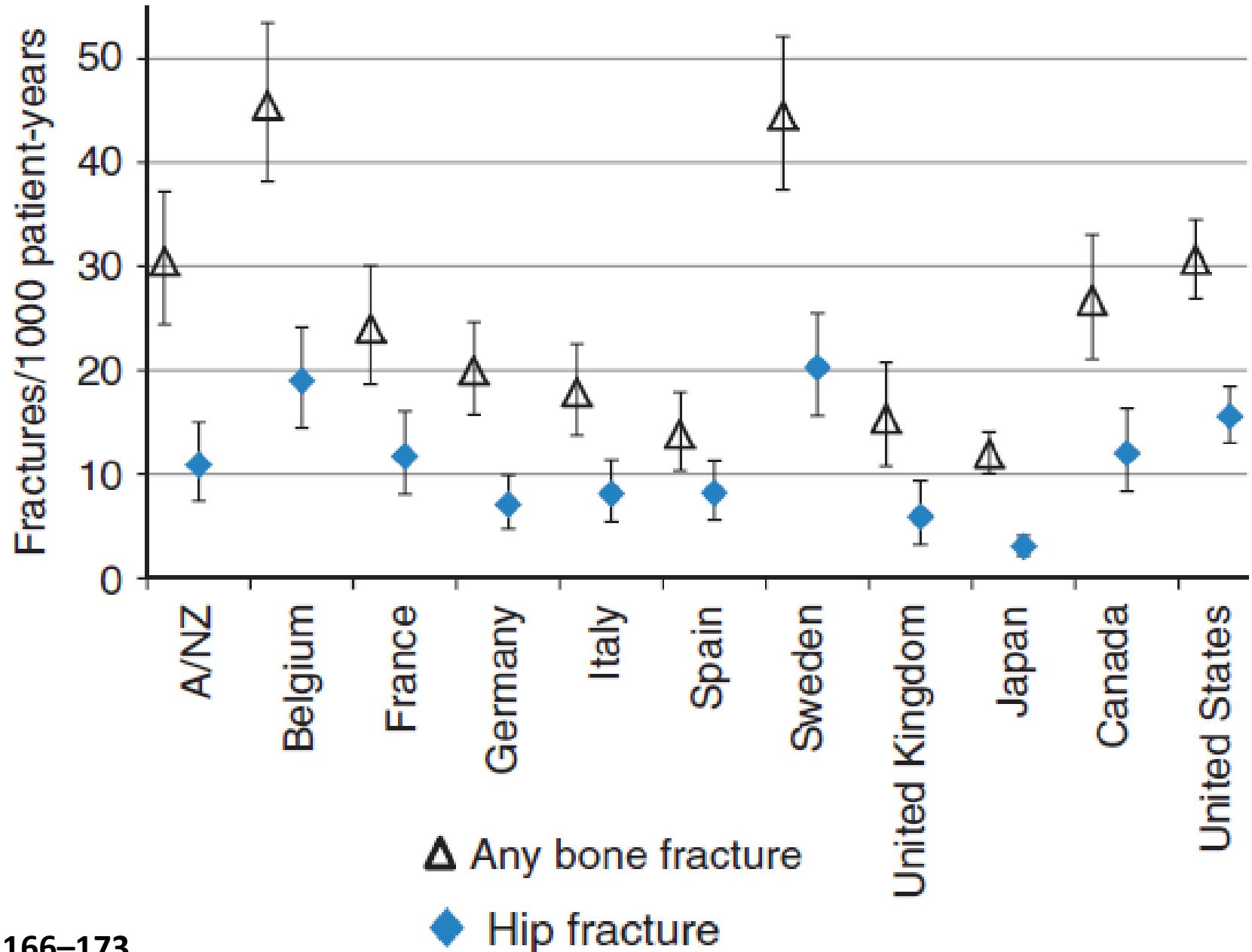
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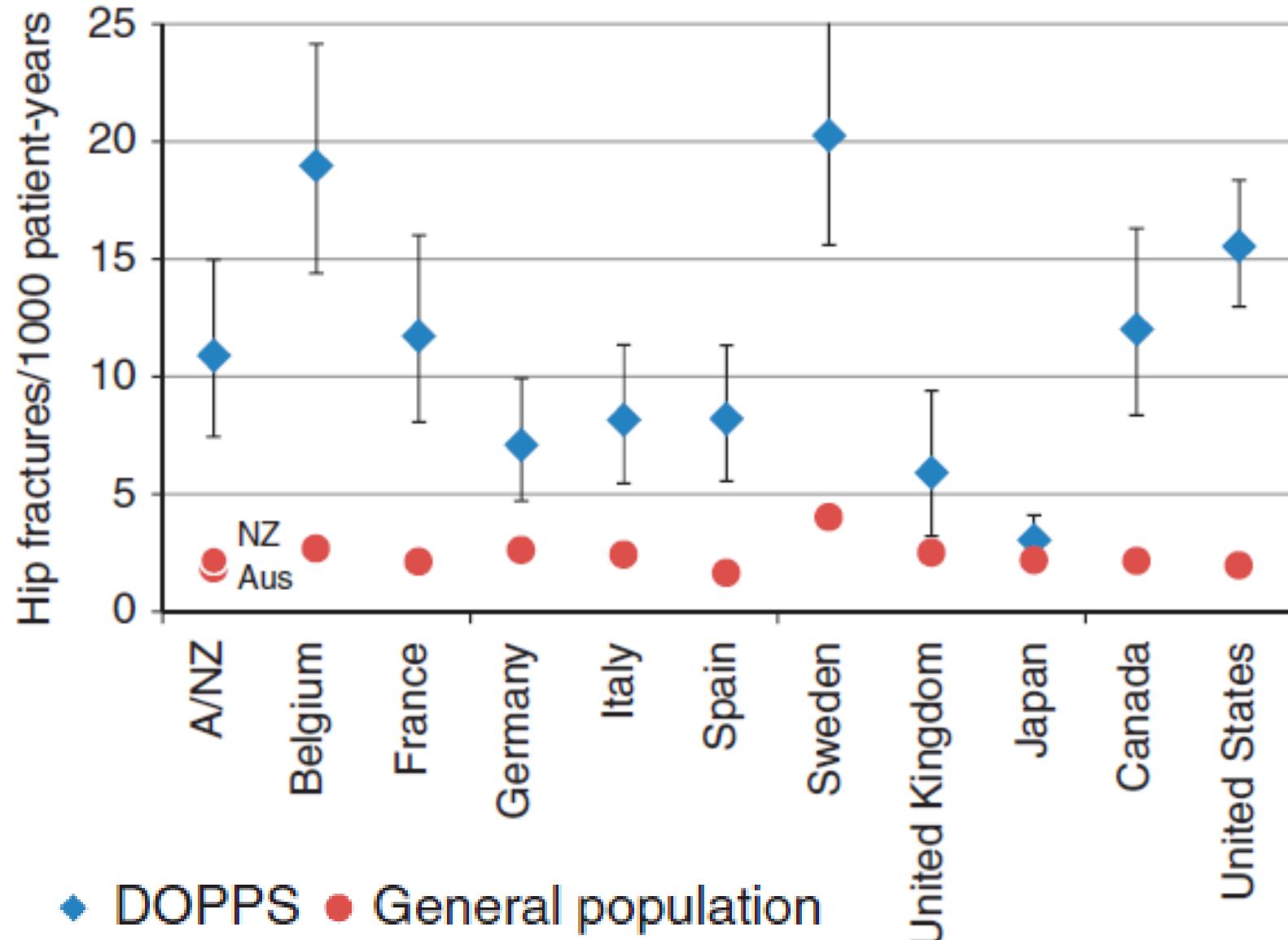
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Using the international DOPPS cohort, we demonstrate that bone fractures are relatively common among hemodialysis patients in many countries and pose a significant health burden.

Incidence of fractures resulting in a hospital admission among participants of DOPPS, by country.



Hip fracture rates among participants of DOPPS, by country.



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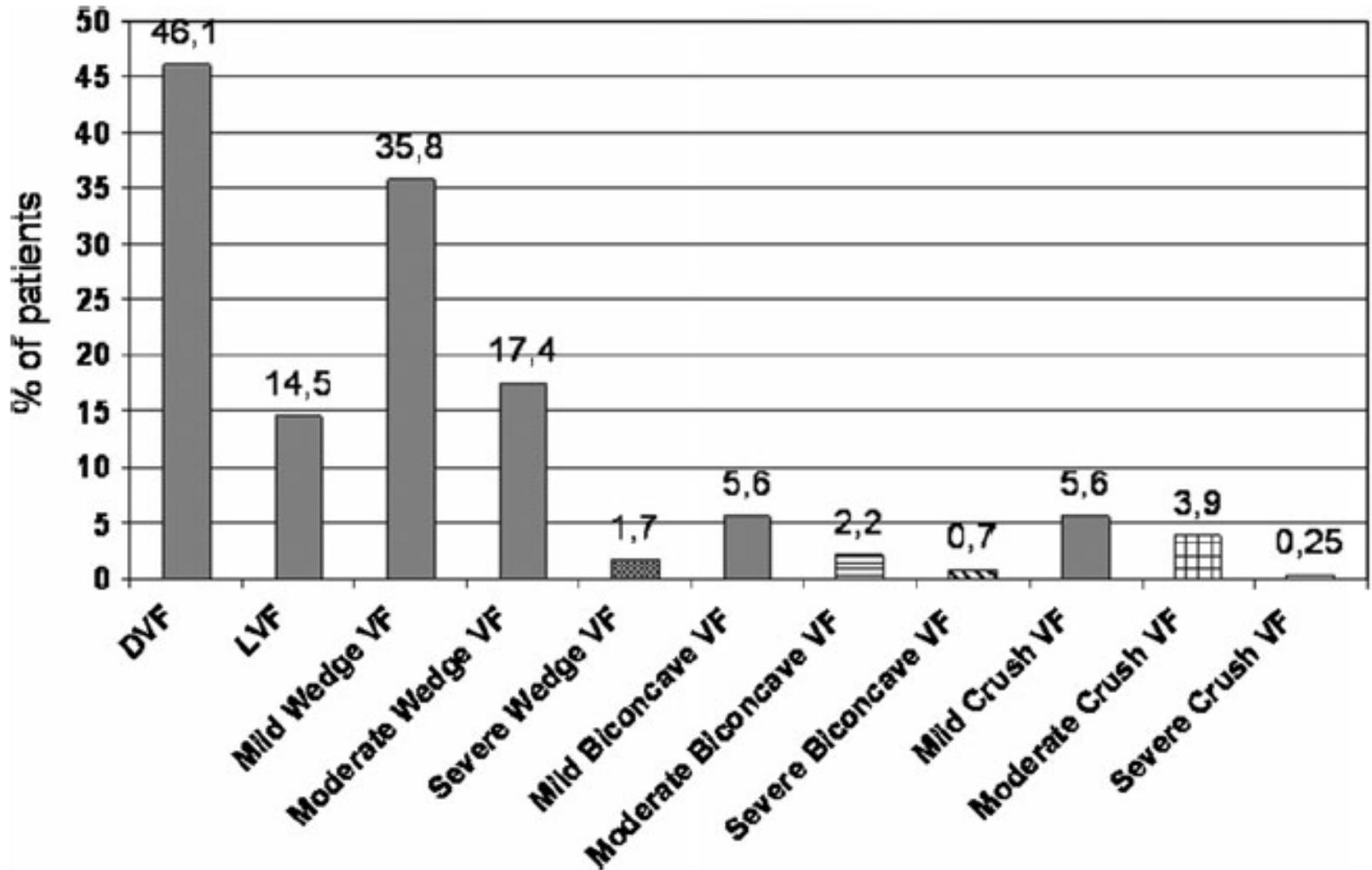
High Prevalence of Vertebral Fractures Assessed by Quantitative Morphometry in Hemodialysis Patients, Strongly Associated with Vascular Calcifications

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VF in 214/387 (55,3%) di Pazienti ED



Prevalenza di fratture vertebrali con MORFOMETRIA QUANTITATIVA

Persistent Secondary Hyperparathyroidism and Vertebral Fractures in Kidney Transplantation:
Role of Calcium-Sensing Receptor Polymorphisms and Vitamin D Deficiency

Sandro Giannini , Stefania Sella , Fatima Silva Netto et al

125 patients: *Prevalence VF 57%*

JBMR, April 2010

Prevalence of vertebral fracture in postmenopausal women with
lumbar osteopenia using MorphoXpress® (OSTEOEXPRESS Study)

Luis Arboleya, Manuel Díaz-Curiel, Luis del Río et al.

289 postmenopausal women. MorphoXpress® revealed that **50% of postmenopausal women with osteopenic lumbar densitometry showed VF**. This result is relevant since **only 7% of all evaluated subjects had been previously diagnosed with VF**.

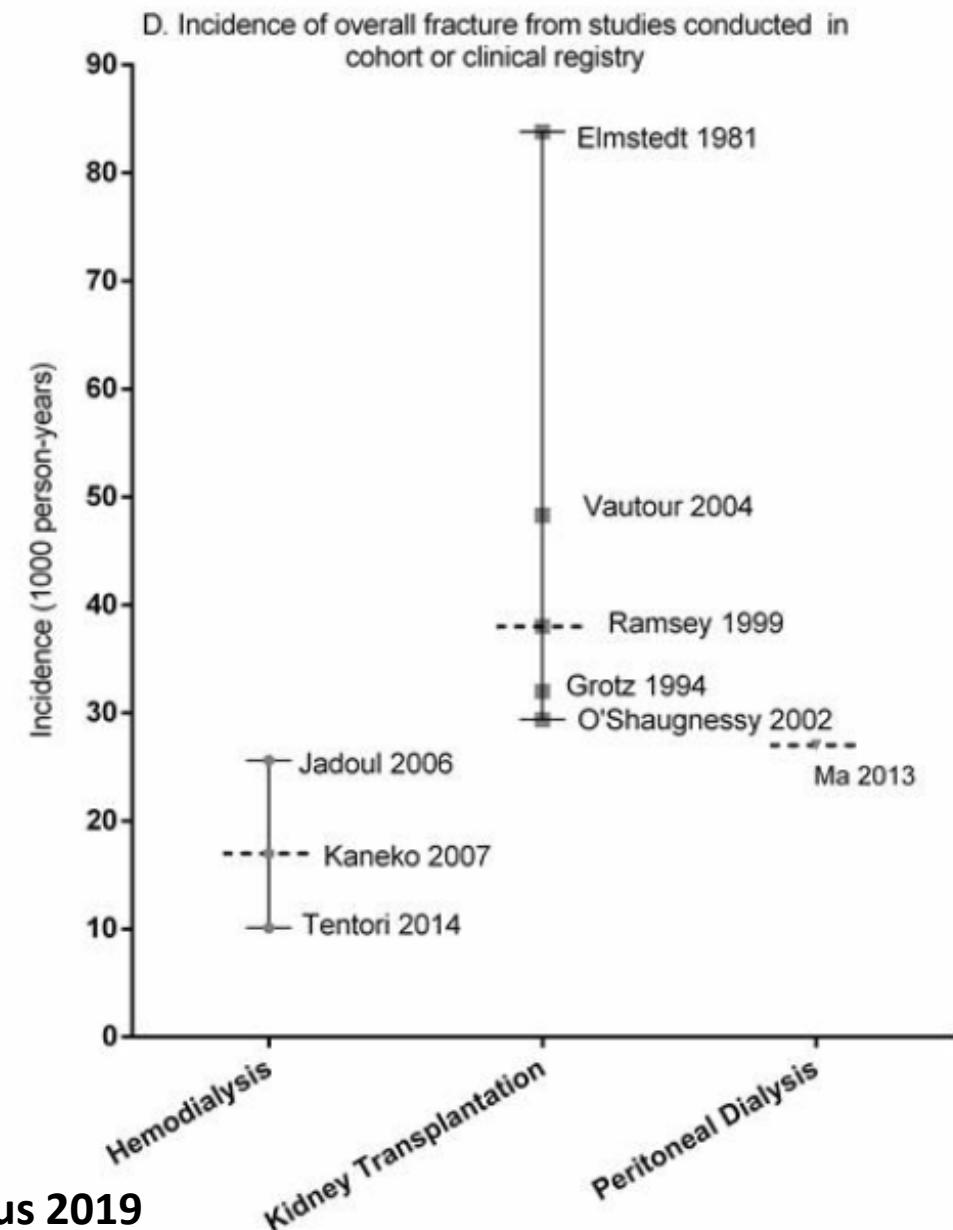
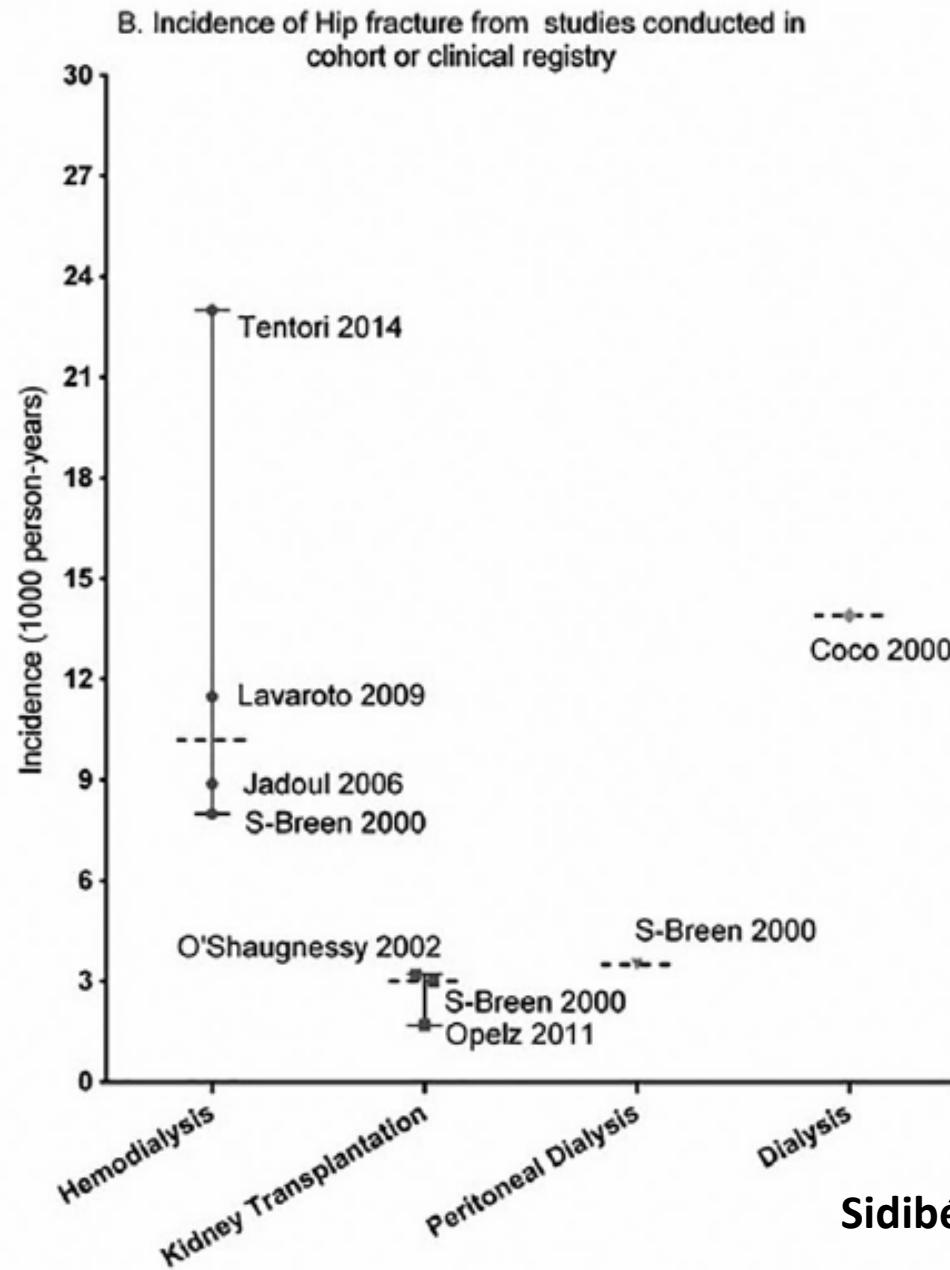
Fracture Risk in Dialysis and Kidney Transplanted Patients: A Systematic Review

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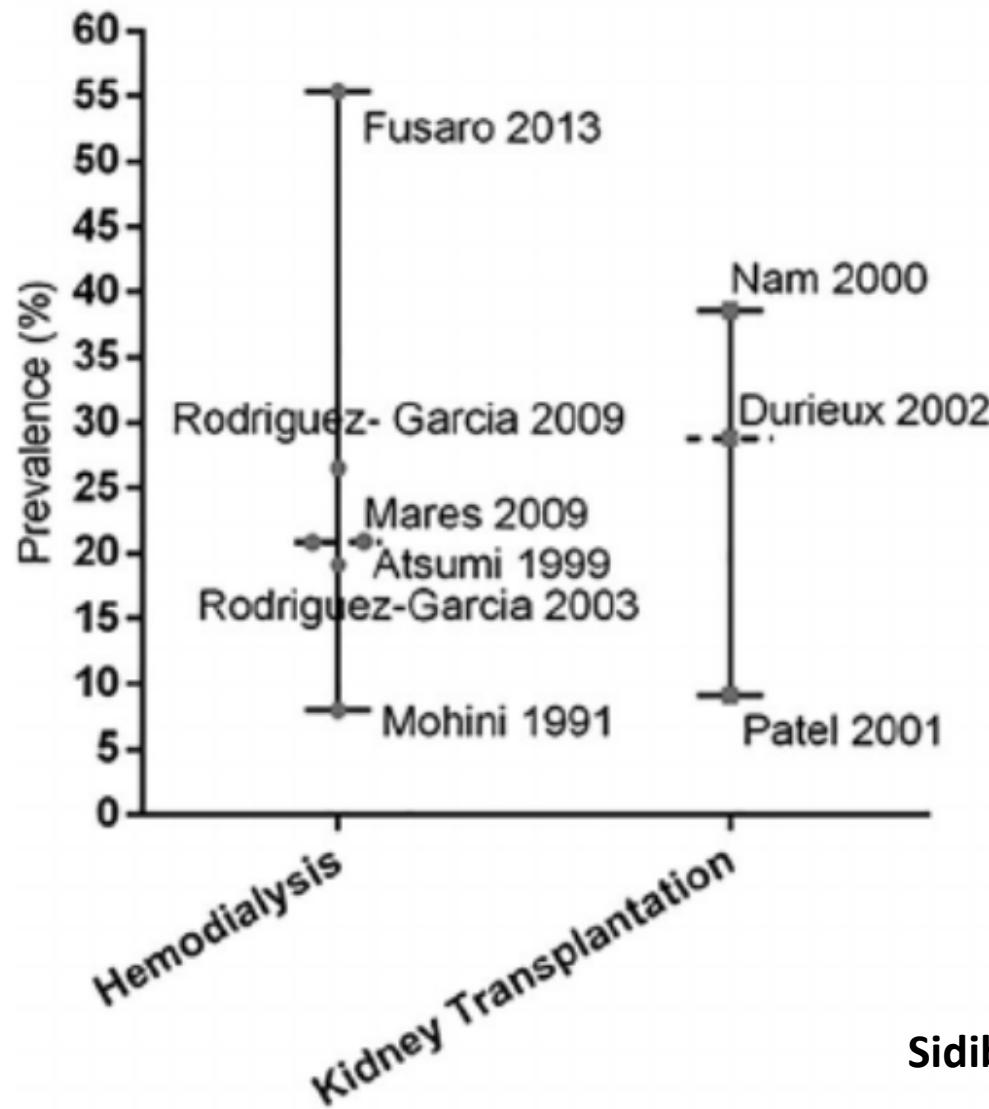
- **47 studi che hanno valutato il rischio di frattura nelle popolazioni ED, PD e Trapianto (KT).**
- **L'incidenza di frattura dell'anca in ED (mediana 11,45 per 1000 anni-persona, range 9,3 - 13,6 era maggiore rispetto al trapianto (mediana 2,6 per 1000 p-y; intervallo da 1,5 a 3,8) o in PD (mediana 5,2 per 1000 p-y; intervallo da 4,1 a 6,3).**
- **La maggior parte di questi studi si è concentrata sulla frattura dell'anca o complessiva, mentre la frattura vertebrale è stata raramente affrontata.**
- **In contrasto con l'incidenza di fratture, la prevalenza della frattura vertebrale o complessiva sembra essere simile tra la popolazione ED KT.**
- **I risultati rafforzano l'importanza della fragilità ossea come uno dei principali problemi di salute nella popolazione CKD.**

Incidenza di frattura dell'anca (sin) e globale di frattura (dx) in ED, PD e Trapianto.

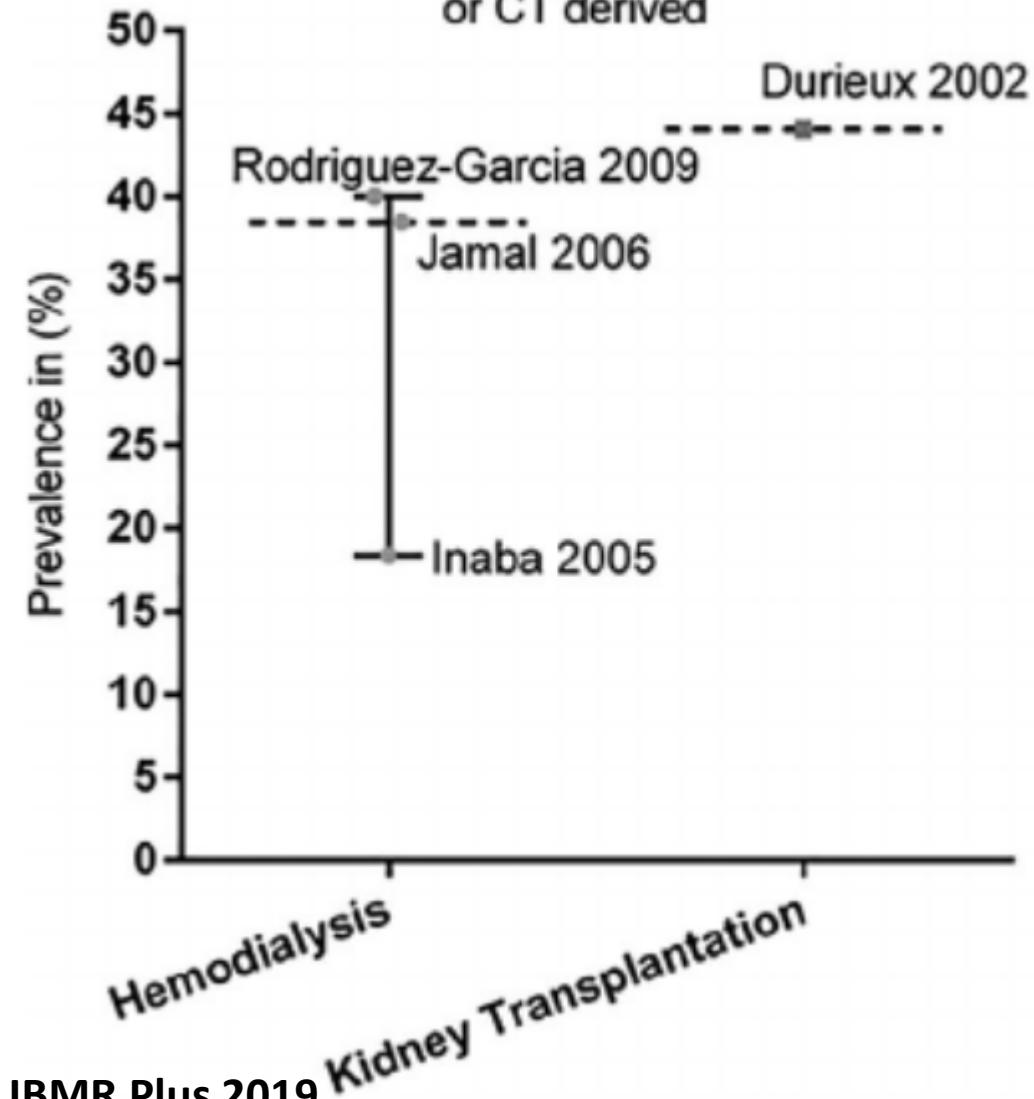


Prevalenza di fratture vertebrali (sin) e globale di frattura (dx) in ED e Trapianto

A- vertebral fracture identified by X-Rays or CT derived



C-Overall fracture identified by X-Rays or CT derived



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Ten tips on how to assess bone health in patients with chronic kidney disease

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Define the individual fracture risk profile

Traditional risk factors

*Age-related osteoporosis
Life-style (diet, exercise)
Hypogonadism*

Systemic illness

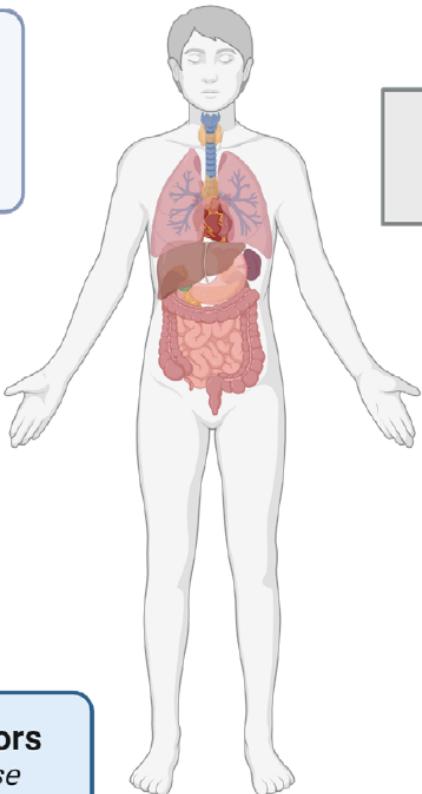
*Cause of CKD
Comorbidities*

Polypharmacy

*Immunosuppressants
Drugs affecting mineral metabolism
Falls risk*

CKD-associated risk factors

*Debut and duration of disease
Chronic inflammation
Metabolic acidosis
Mineral metabolism disturbances*



Use a fracture risk assessment tool

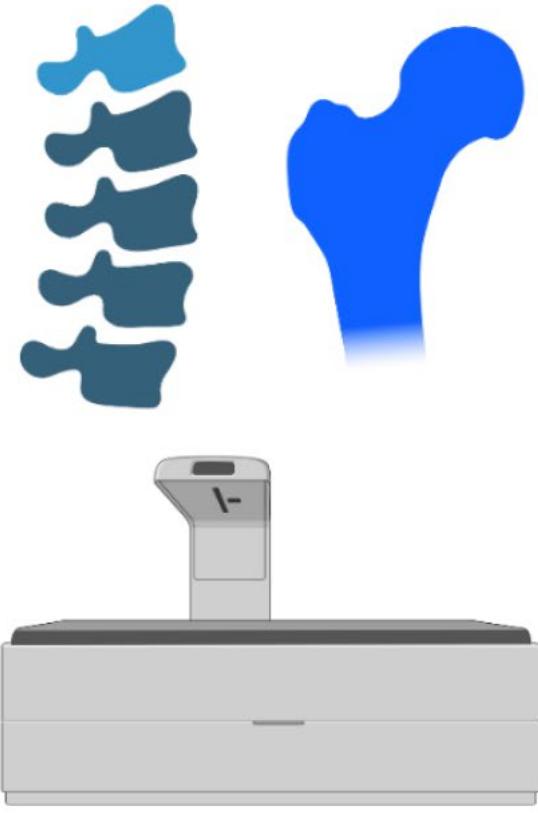
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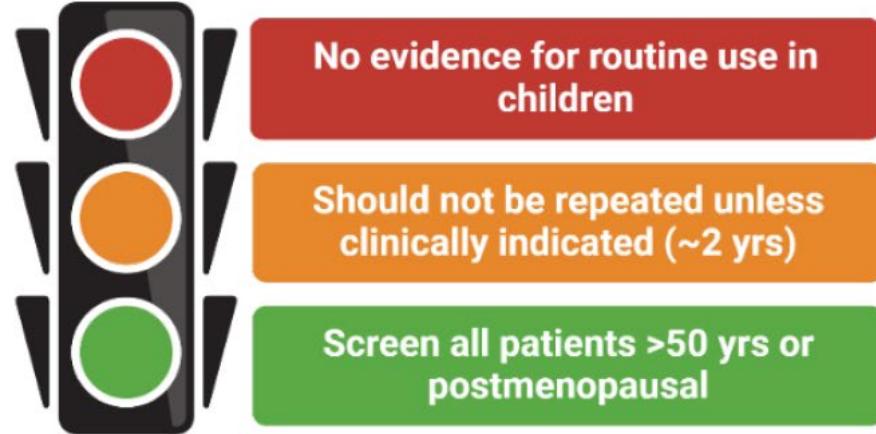
Take action

*Communicate risk
Consider intervention threshold*

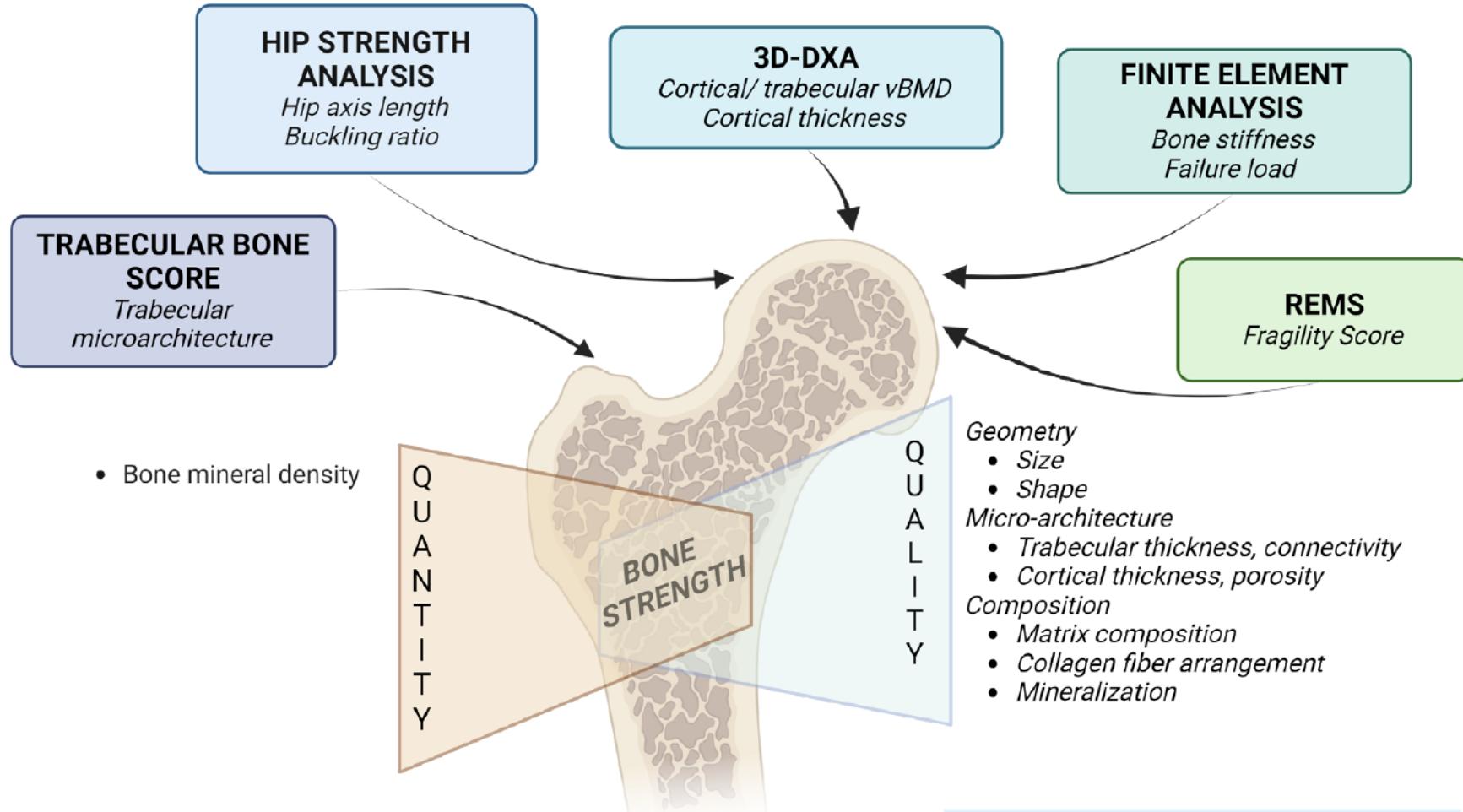
Assess bone mineral density by dual energy X-ray absorptiometry



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Consider novel imaging techniques and analyses of bone strength



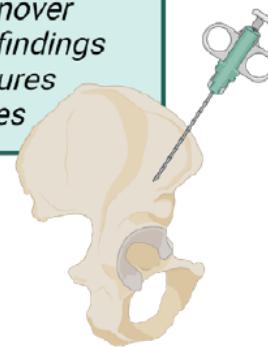
Consider a bone biopsy in complex cases

BONE BIOPSY

- Not a mandatory step in the evaluation of CKD-associated osteoporosis
- Consider in complex cases

INDICATIONS

- Suspicion of a mineralization defect (bone pain, low vit D, Ca, P)
 - Suspicion of low bone turnover
- Discrepancies in biomarker findings
 - Multiple or atypical fractures
 - Important comorbidities



Reasonable to perform to:

Confirm suspicions of low bone turnover

Exclude a bone mineralization defect

Rule out atypical bone pathology



...if results will impact your therapeutic approach.



Phosphate and bone fracture risk in chronic kidney disease patients

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Whether phosphate has an independent role in determining bone fractures has been poorly explored

Facts about P and Bone

- Phosphate accumulates in bone in the form of hydroxyapatite
- Low phosphorus availability causes defective mineralization of bone (e.g. rickets/osteomalacia)
- High phosphate may induce osteoblast apoptosis and reduce bone formation
- Phosphate has been shown to suppress 1-alpha-hydroxylase activity contributing to calcitriol deficiency

Serum Phosphate Is Associated With Fracture Risk: The Rotterdam Study and MrOS

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Our findings suggest that increased Phosphate levels, even within normal range, might be deleterious for bone health in the normal population.

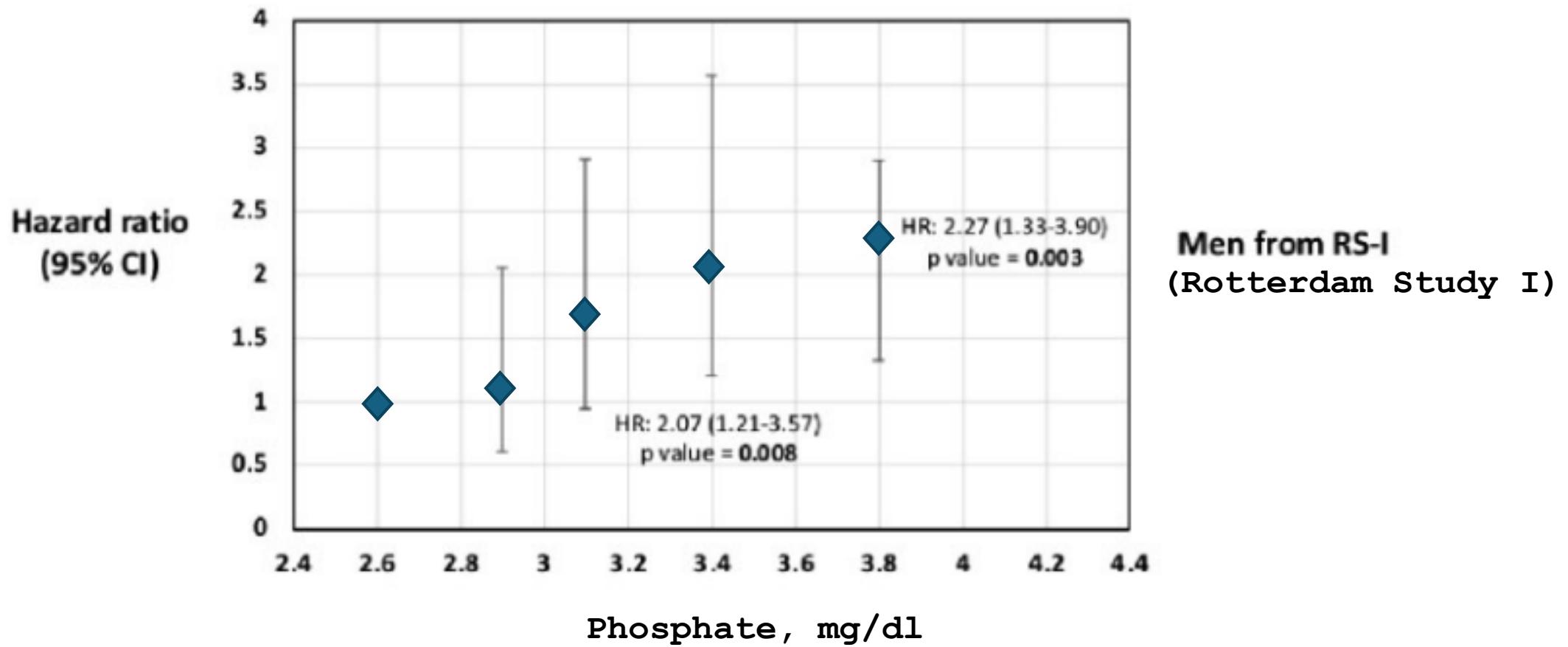
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The study reports results from large prospective observational trials in two population-based cohorts:

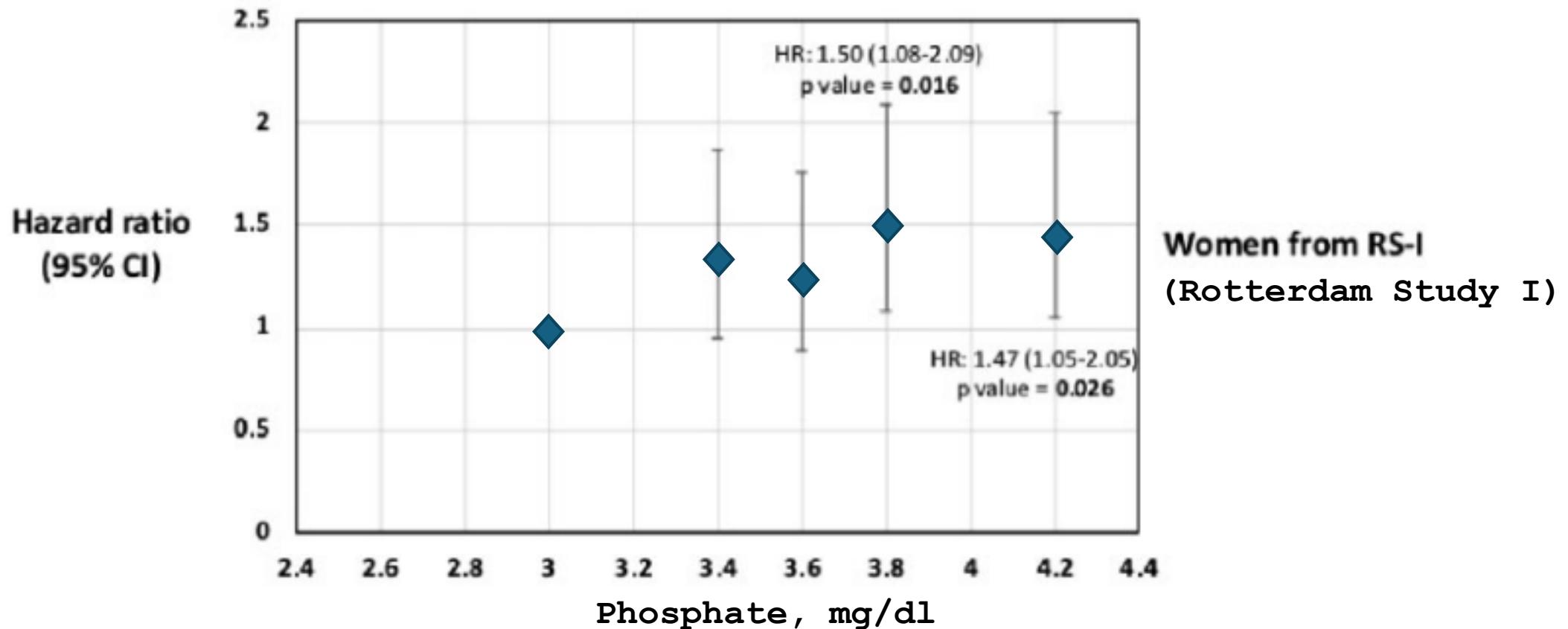
- **the Dutch Rotterdam Study (RS: n.6791)**
- **the US Osteoporotic Fractures in Men (MrOS: n.5425) study**
- **Follow-up of 8.6 and 10.9 years, respectively**

Phosphate levels and risk of incidence of bone fractures in patients (men) with normal renal function. RS-I



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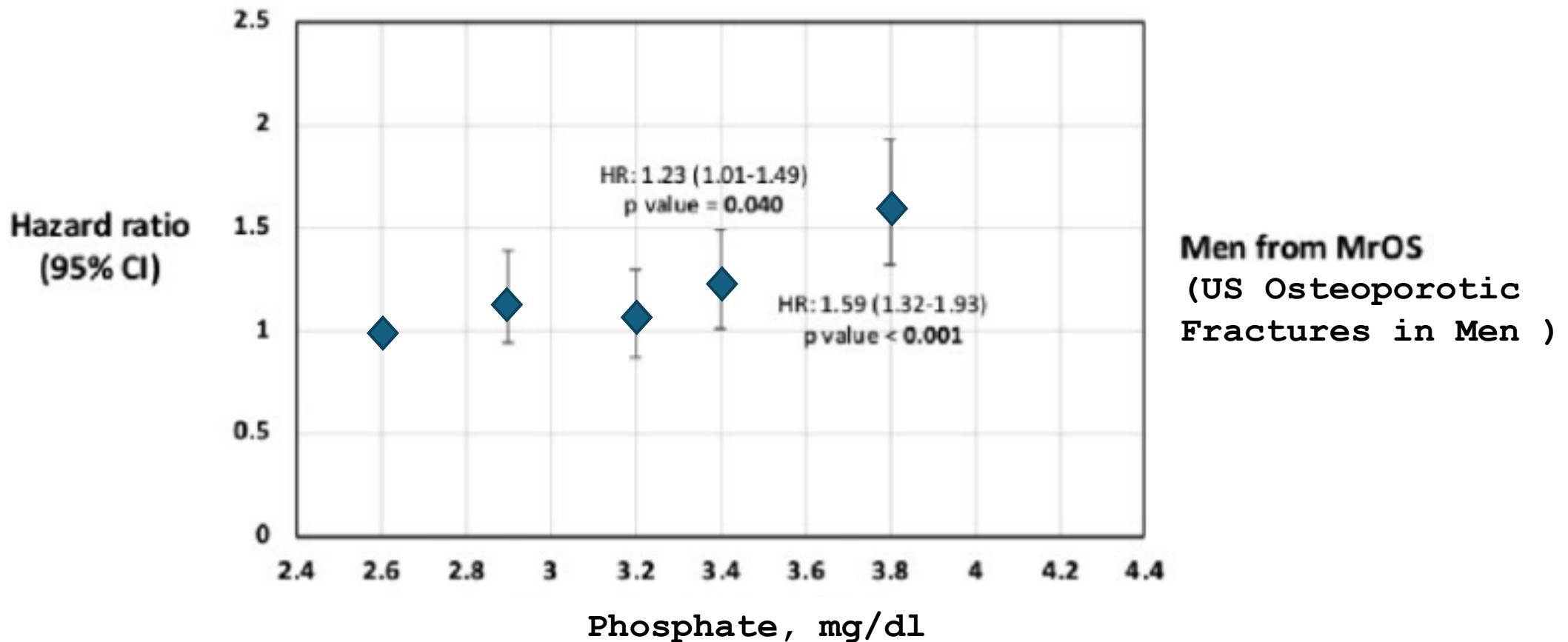
Risk of incidence of all types of fractures as a function of phosphate levels in men from MrOS

Table 7. Risk of Incidence of All Types of Fractures as a Function of Phosphate Levels Categorized in Quintiles in Men From MrOS

P levels ^a mean (range)	Men		
	Events/no. risk	HR ^{b,c} (95% CI)	p
2.6 (1.8–2.8)	188/1085	1.00 (reference)	
2.9 (2.8–3.0)	206/1081	1.14 (0.94–1.39)	0.194
3.2 (3.1–3.3)	190/1081	1.06 (0.87–1.30)	0.558
3.4 (3.3–3.5)	213/1083	1.23 (1.01–1.49)	0.040
3.8 (3.5–6.8)	249/1079	1.59 (1.32–1.93)	<0.001

*p*_{trend} <0.001

Phosphate levels and risk of incidence of bone fractures in patients (men) with normal renal function. MrOS study



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- The positive association between phosphate level and fracture risk was independent of BMD
- A stronger association between phosphate levels and fracture risk was found in CKD patients, which remained significant after adjustment for FGF-23 and PTH levels in the MrOS, suggesting that high phosphate itself and no other mechanisms may explain the increased fracture risk in this population
- Lowering phosphate levels to within normal levels could reduce the fracture risk: if proved with an RCT, such a hard outcome could lead to a revision of the current guidelines

The three-year incidence of fracture in chronic kidney disease

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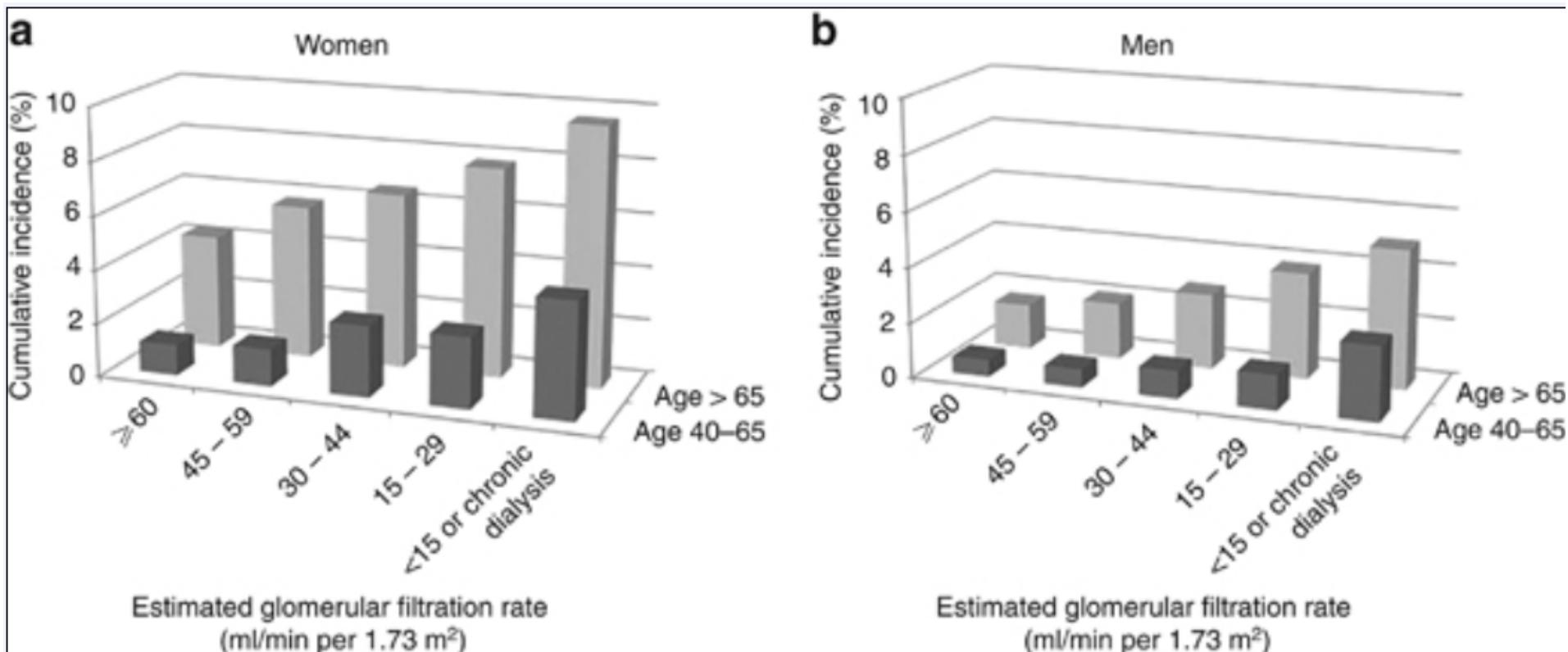
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Cohort study of 679,114 adults of 40 years and over (mean age 62 years) stratified at cohort entry by:

- eGFR (60 and over, 45–59, 30–44, 15–29, and under 15ml/min per 1.73 m²)
- Gender
- Age (40–65 and over 65 years)

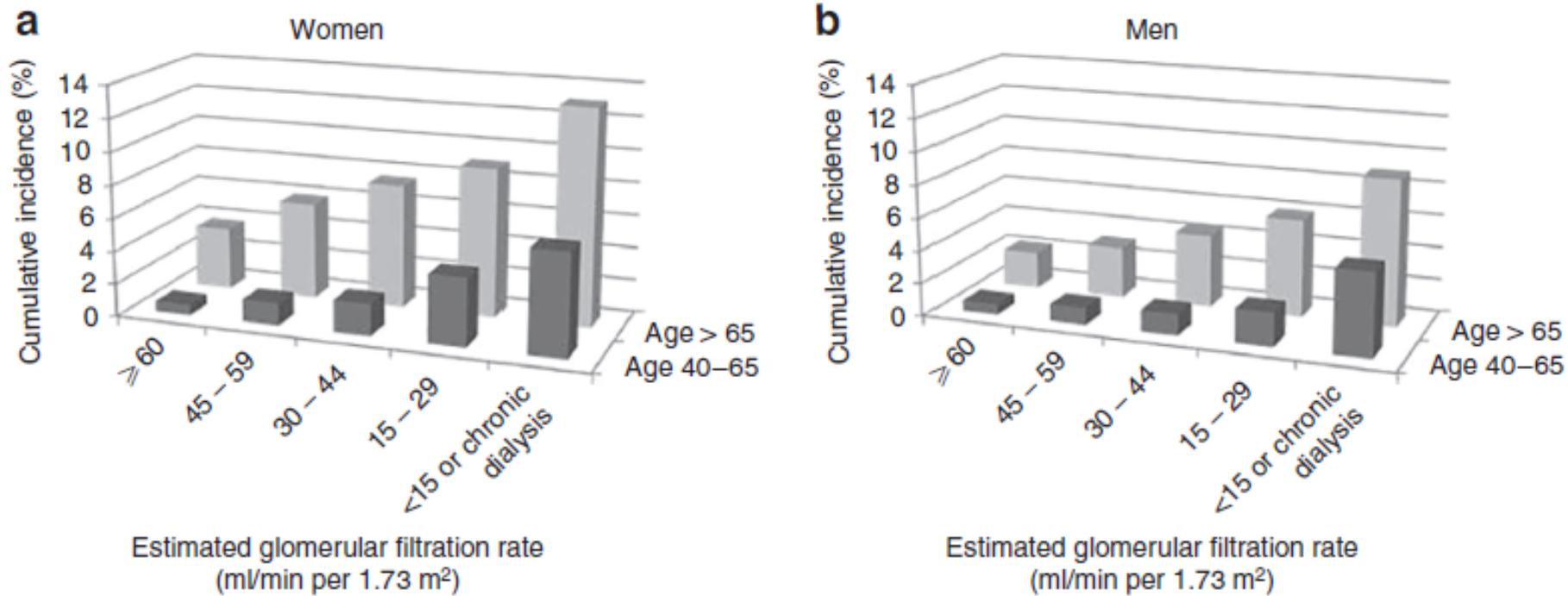
The primary outcome was the 3-year cumulative incidence of fracture (proportion of adults who fractured (hip, forearm, pelvis, or proximal humerus) at least once within 3-years of follow-up).

Three-year cumulative incidence of fracture.



Three-year cumulative incidence of fracture for (a) women and (b) men. The number of fracture (hip, forearm, pelvis, or proximal humerus) events increased significantly with decreasing eGFR for both men and women for both age groups (40–65 years and > 65 years).

3-year cumulative incidence of falls with hospitalization



Three-year cumulative incidence of falls with hospitalization for (a) women and (b) men. The number of falls with hospitalization events increased significantly with decreasing eGFR for both men and women for both age groups (40–65 years and >65 years).

Table 3 | Location of the first fracture in follow-up according to kidney function

Fracture location	eGFR (ml/min per 1.73 m ²)				
	≥60	45–59	30–44	15–29	<15 or chronic dialysis
Hip (%)	27.2	46.3	47.9	54.3	54.2
Forearm (%)	47.6	28.4	22.7	20.6	19.2
Proximal humerus (%)	15.0	13.5	13.8	11.4	8.4
Pelvis (%)	10.2	11.8	15.6	13.7	18.2

Abbreviation: eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate.

CONCLUSIONS (Naylor KI 2014)

Many adults with chronic kidney disease will fall and fracture.

Results can be used for prognostication and guidance of sample size requirements for fracture prevention trials.

Results are a call to develop and test interventions to reduce the burden of fracture in this population

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Sintesi e conclusioni

- L'osteoporosi può essere considerata una condizione di alterazione della resistenza ossea dovuta a due fattori principali:
 - Ridotta densità minerale ossea (**BMD = bone mineral density**)
 - Compromessa qualità dell'osso
- L'osteoporosi si caratterizza per un aumento del rischio di fratture ossee
- Un altro importante fattore di rischio per l'evento frattura è la propensione a cadere

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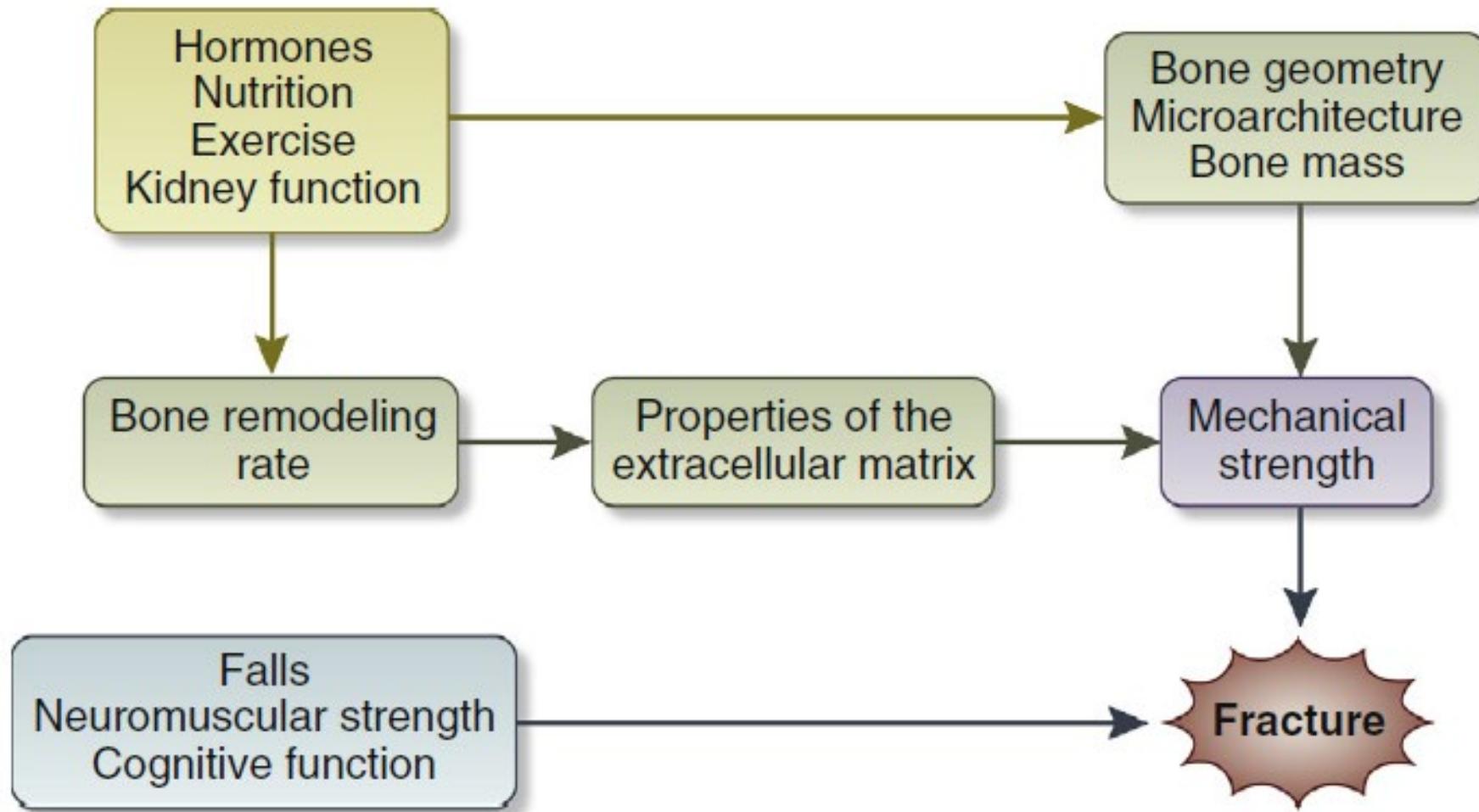
- **L'osteoporosi può coesistere con la CKD-MBD (chronic kidney disease - mineral and bone disorder)**
- **Fratture osteoporitiche si possono osservare in tutti gli stadi di malattia renale cronica.**
- **Il trattamento dell'osteoporosi deve tenere in considerazione la fisiopatologia di entrambi i disordini ossei.**

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Sintesi e conclusioni

- **Le due componenti della malattia ossea (osteoporosi e CKD-MBD) possono essere valutate al meglio con la biopsia ossea e l'istomorfometria ossea quantitativa**
- **Anche alcuni marcatori biochimici, in particolare il PTH e la fosfatasi alcalina, possono dare delle indicazioni utili**
- **La valutazione scheletrica, in particolare la valutazione delle fratture vertebrali, è importante per identificare pazienti che meritano un trattamento in prevenzione secondaria.**

Fattori che influenzano quantità e qualità dell'osso influenzano il rischio di frattura



Be aware of the fracture burden in CKD



Fractures in CKD

Risk increases as kidney function declines
Integrates reduced bone strength and high falls risk



Consequences

Long hospital stays
Loss of physical function
Reduced quality of life
Excess mortality



Screen
Age > 50 years
Postmenopausal
Systemic glucocorticoids

History of clinical fracture

Risk assessment

High risk (FRAX score)

DXA scan

Low BMD (T-score <-2.5)

Spine imaging

Vertebral fracture

Intervention threshold

Take action

Optimize CKD-MBD therapy
Advise lifestyle modification
Initiate non-pharmacological interventions
Consider pharmacological therapy

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