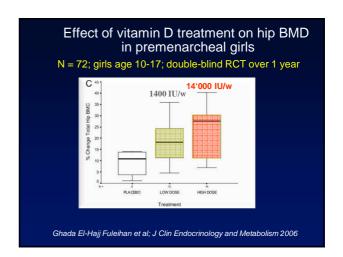




Intervention studies in children BONE health

- Supplementation with 100, 200, or 400 IU/d of vitamin D resulted in the prevention of rickets in one study (Specker BL 1992)
- Intakes between 340–600 IU/d reported to have the maximum effect on linear growth of infants (Feliciano ES 1994)
- 2011 meta-analysis of 4 double-blind RCTs of vitamin D supplementation in the range of 132 to 2000 IU vitamin D per day compared to control (placebo or lower dose) in 639 children suggested small effect on lumbar spine bone mineral density in all treated children (standardized mean difference 0.15, 95% confidence interval -0.01 to 0.31; P=0.07); and a significant benefit of vitamin D supplementation in children with serum 25(OH)D below 35 nmol/l (Winzenberg T 2011)
- In one randomized trial among Lebanese girls age 10 to 17 included in this most recent meta-analysis, hip bone density increased more with 14'000 IU vitamin D per week (2000 IU/day) compared to 1400 IU/week (200 IU/day) at 12 month follow-up without any report of toxicity, and irrespective of baseline 25(OH)D levels (El-Hajj Fuleihan G 2006)





Mechanism: vitamin D benefit on glucose metabolism?

Risk reduction was 26% with cod liver oil

(Stene LC, Joner G. Use of cod liver oil during the first year of life is associated with lower risk of childhood-onset type 1 diabetes: a large, population-based, <u>case-control study</u>. Am J Clin Nutr. 2003;78(6):1128-34)

- Risk reduction was 33% with general vitamin D supplementation (Vitamin D supplement in early childhood and risk for Type I (insulindependent) diabetes mellitus. The EURODIAB Substudy is a multicentre case-control study. Diabetologia. 1999;42(1):51-4)
- 78% with 2000 IU per day vitamin D supplementation (Hypponen E, Laara E, Reunanen A, Jarvelin MR, Virtanen SM. Intake of vitamin D and risk of type 1 diabetes: <u>a birth-cohort study</u>. Lancet. 2001;358(9292):1500-3)



Other Small double-blind RCT in children

1100 IU D3 /d vs placebo in *schoolchildren* in Japan during winter season (n = 334)

Results:

- 46% less influenza A
- In children with a previous diagnosis of asthma, 83% less asthma attacks

Urashima M. et al.; Am J Clin Nutr. 2010



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Recommendations for pregnant women / early life

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Pregnancy

Threshold 25(OH)D: 50 nmol/l = 20 ng/ml

RDI: 600 IU / day

• Safe upper limit: 4000 IU/Tag

Early life

- Threshold 25(OH)D: 50 nmol/l = 20 ng/ml
- RDI: 400 IU / day in the first year then 600 IU

http://www.iom.edu/Reports/2010/Dietary-Reference-Intakes-for-Calcium-and-Vitamin-D/DRI-Values.aspx



DRI

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Guidelines on Prevention and Treatment of Vitamin D Deficiency



- Pregnancy high risk group for vitamin D deficiency test
- 600 IU/d insufficient to correct deficiency in pregnant women

Prevention during pregnancy:

- 400 IU vitamin D from a multi-vitamin PLUS 1000 IU /d
- Safe upper limit: 10'000 IU/d age 19+ (< 5000 IU/d)

Lactation:

Mother's requirement (1500 - 2000 IU/day)

Mother for child's requirement (2000-4000 IU/day)

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