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# Metabolic Bone Diseases

# Normal bone n mineral metabolism

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- Highly vascular (receives 10% CO)
- Dynamic (constt. remodeling throughout life)
- Compact-Cancellous arrangement
- Other vital functions...hematopoiesis n homeostasis for S. Ca, Mg, PO<sub>4</sub>

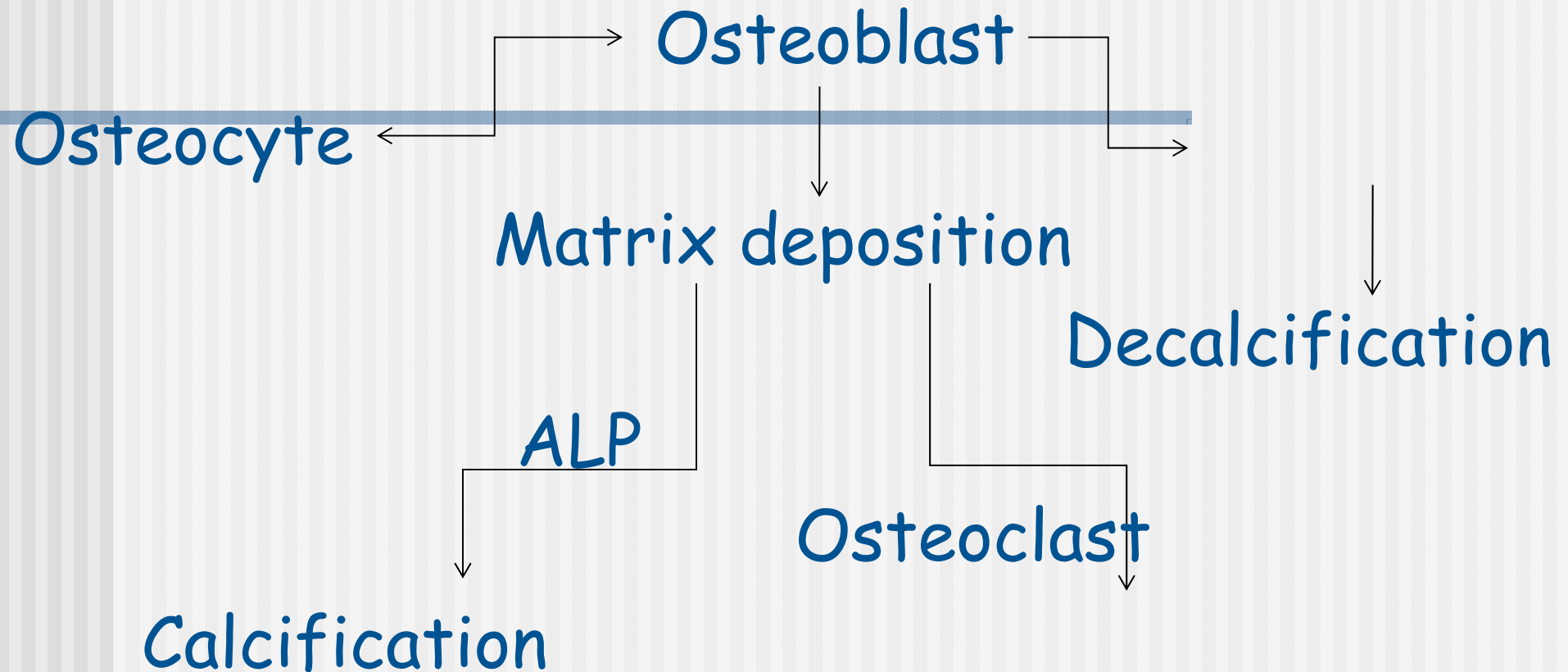
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## ■ Constituents:

- Cells → Osteoblasts, Osteoclasts, Osteocyte  
Hematopoietic cells
- ECM → Collagen(type I, fibrillary arrangement  
→ Proteins (Fibronectin, Ca-binding prot  
Thromboplastin )  
→ Minerals (Ca n  $\text{PO}_4$  hydroxy-apatite)

# Normal bone n mineral metabolism



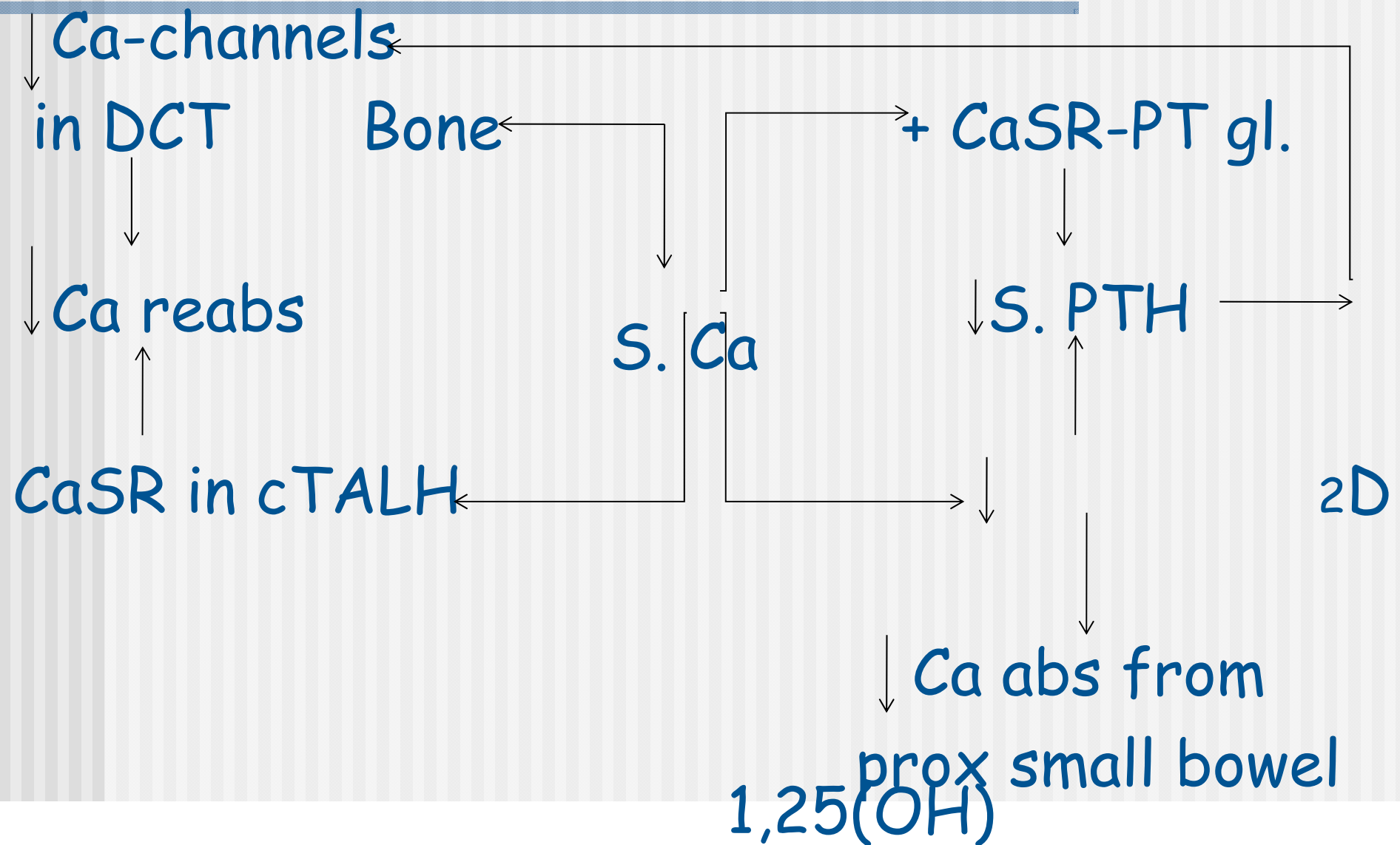
Osteoblast activity: ALP, Osteocalcin

Osteoclast activity: Collagen degradation pdt.

# Calcium n Phosphorus metabolism

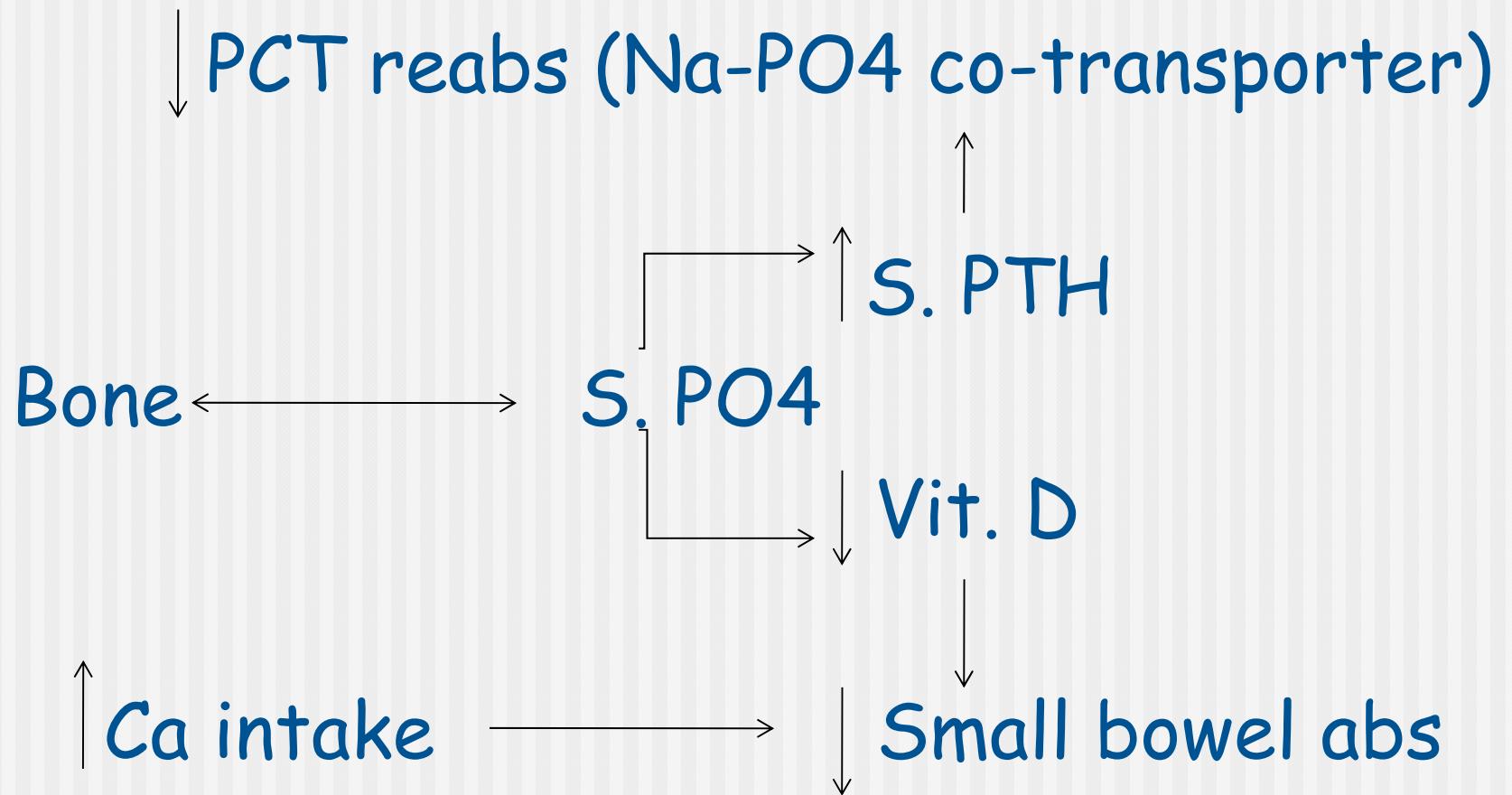
- Total Ca content of body = 1-2 Kg
- 99% of it in bones
- Vital for ....neuromuscular activity
  - ....glandular secretions
  - ....signal transduction (sec messenger)
- Total Phosphorus content of body = 500 mg
- 85% Of it in bones
- Vital for...ATP stores, NA, structural protein
  - Enzymes, Co-factors

# Calcium homeostasis



# Phosphorus homeostasis

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# Calcium n Phosphorus homeostasis

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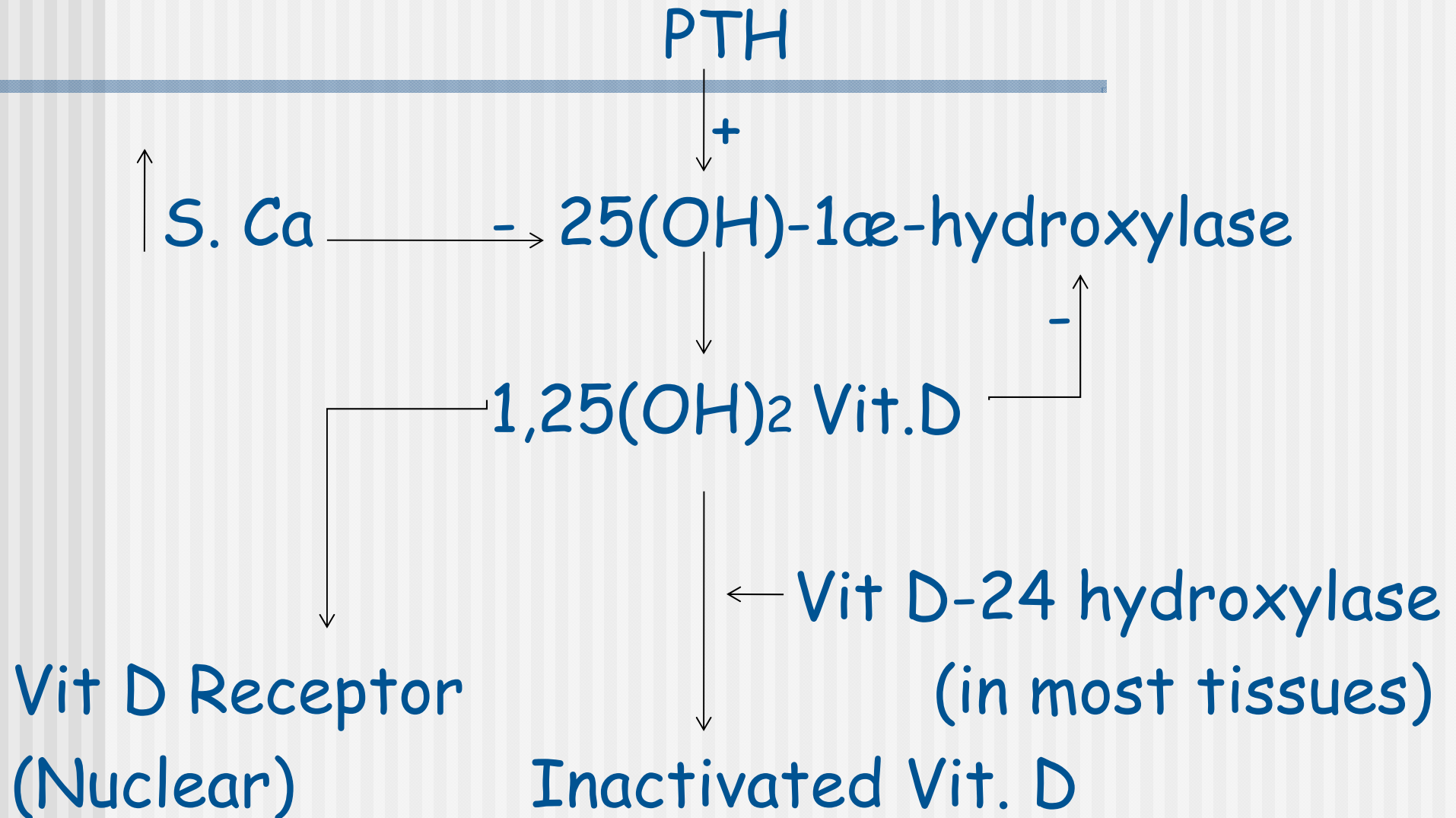
- Hence, perturbed Ca n PO<sub>4</sub> homeostasis can result from
  1. PTH disorders
  2. Vit. D disorders
  3. Renal disease
  4. Small bowel ds & Achlorhydria

# Vitamine D

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- 7- DehydroCholesterol  $\longleftrightarrow$  Vitamine D1  
UV light
- Vitamine D2: Plant source
- Vitamine D3: Animal source
- Vitamine D2 n D3....equally effective
- 25(OH)D.the major circulating n storage form

# Vitamine D metabolism



# Vitamine D deficiency states

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## ■ Reduced Vit D

Intake....dietary inadequacy

Production....sun exposure

Absorption....malabsorption syndrome

## ■ Excessive loss/break-down of Vit D

Catabolism....Phenytoin, R-cin, Barbiturates

Enterohepaic circulation....small bowel ds  
or resection

# Vitamine D deficiency states

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- Impaired metabolism
  - 25-hydroxylation: Liver ds, INH
  - 1 $\alpha$ -hydroxylation: CKD, Hypoparathyroidism
    - 1 $\alpha$ -hydroxylase mutations
    - X-linked hypophosphatemic rickets
  - Target organ resis: VDR mutations

# Vitamine D deficiency

## ■ Clinical manifestations:

- Hypocalcemia, tetany, seizures
- Osteopenia, rickets, osteomalacia
- Proximal myopathy
- Pathologic bone fractures

## ■ Diagnosis:

- 25(OH)D (< 15 ng/mL)
- Raised S. PTH
- Low S. Ca, ↑ALP (bone-specific)
- X-ray...Osteopenia, Pseudofractures

## ■ Treatment:

- Therapeutic dose = 40,00 IU/d
- Prophylactic dose = 800 IU/d
- Various formulations n doses
  1. Clacitriol ( $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ ) = 0.25-0.5  $\mu\text{g}/\text{d}$
  2. Doxercalciferol ( $1(\text{OH})\text{D}_2$ ) = 2.5-5.0  $\mu\text{g}/\text{d}$
  3. Calciferol (Vit D<sub>2</sub>) = 50,000 IU wkly X 3 mth  
f/b 800 IU/d
  4. Inj. Vit D = 2.5 MU deep i/m Biannually
- ❖ Always add Ca with Vit D supplementation
- ❖ Normocalcemia (<1 wk); ALP n PTH in 3-6 mth

# Parathyroid related disorders

## ■ Hyperparathyroidism:

### 1. Pr. Hyperparathyroidism

Solitary adenoma (80%)

MEN 1 (Wermer's synd: Pitutary n Pancreas)

MEN 2A (Medullary Ca thyroid + Pheochromo)

MEN 2B (Multiple Neuromas + MCT + PCC)

### 2. Sec. → CKD, Lithium therapy

## ■ Familial hypocalciuric hypercalcemia

# Pr. Hyperparathyroidism

## ■ Clinical features:

i. Asymptomatic

ii. Bone, Stone, Groan, Mone

➤ Bone → high turnover bone ds

→ Osteitis fibrosa cystica

→ X-ray: subperiosteal resorption

→ Histo: multinucleated osteocasts at  
bone surface pits

→ Formation/Resorption markers:

ALP, Procollagen/Collagen telopeptide

# Pr. Hyperparathyroidism

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- Stone → Nephrocalcinosis  
→ Nephrolithiasis
- Groan → Refractory gastritis  
→ Zollinger-Ellison syndrome  
→ Pancreatitis
- Mone → Neuropsychiatric manifestations  
→ Neuropathy, Parathyroid myopathy

# Pr. Hyperparathyroidism

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- Diagnosis: Hypercalcemia with  $\uparrow$  S. PTH
- Treatment: Medical or Surgical ?
  - Medical → SERMs (Raloxifene)  
→ Calcimimetics (CaSR +)
- ❖ Annual S. Creat, DEXA scan n Biannual S. Ca

# Pr. Hyperparathyroidism

## ➤ Surgery

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- I. Severe hyperCa ( $>15$  mg%)  
or hypercalciuria ( $>400$  mg/d)
  - II. Asymp hyperPTH with age  $< 50$  yrs
  - III. T-score  $< -2.5$  at any site
  - IV. CCL reduced by 30% or more
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- ❖ Pre-op Radiolabelled Tec SPECT & intra-operative S. PTH sampling ( $>50\%$  decline; 5 min. post-removal) for better localization

# Familial hypocalciuric hypercalcemia

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- Mutation in CaSR in PTH gland n Kidney
- Usually asymptomatic
- Must be differentiated from Pr. hyperPTH as medical therapy or surgery not useful (\*K)



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