

# Advances in non-hormonal drug therapy for fracture prevention

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- NOGG

# Potential conflict of interest/ support

EMD has received honoraria from the following companies:

- Novartis
- Servier
- Eli Lilly

# Why does it matter?

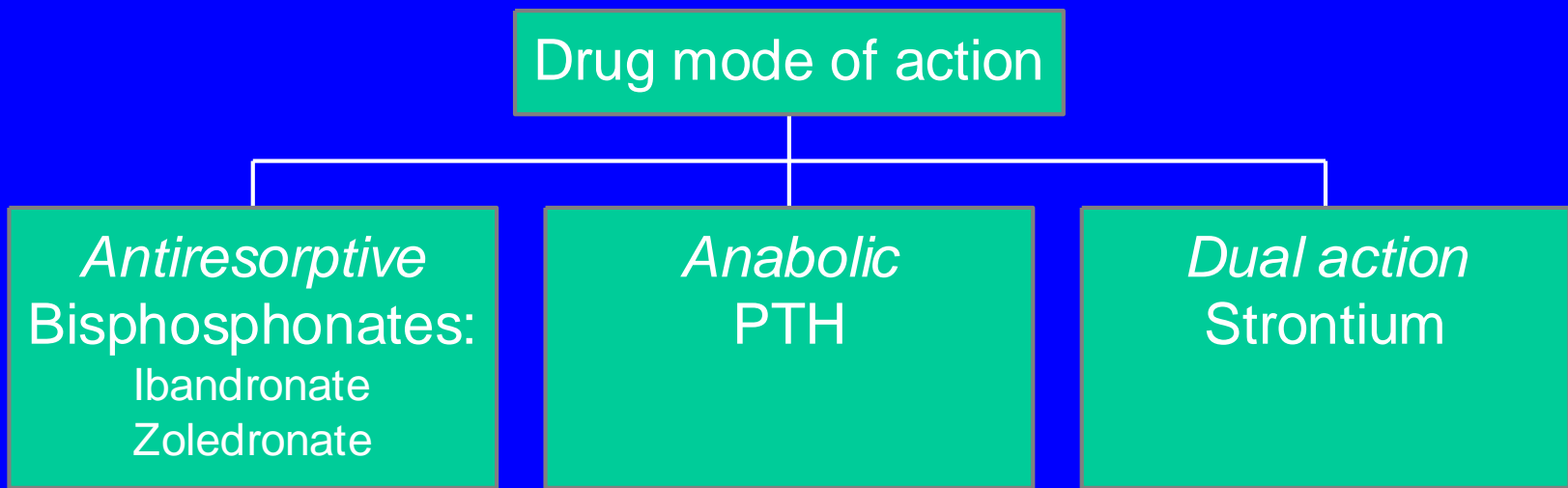


# The scale of the problem

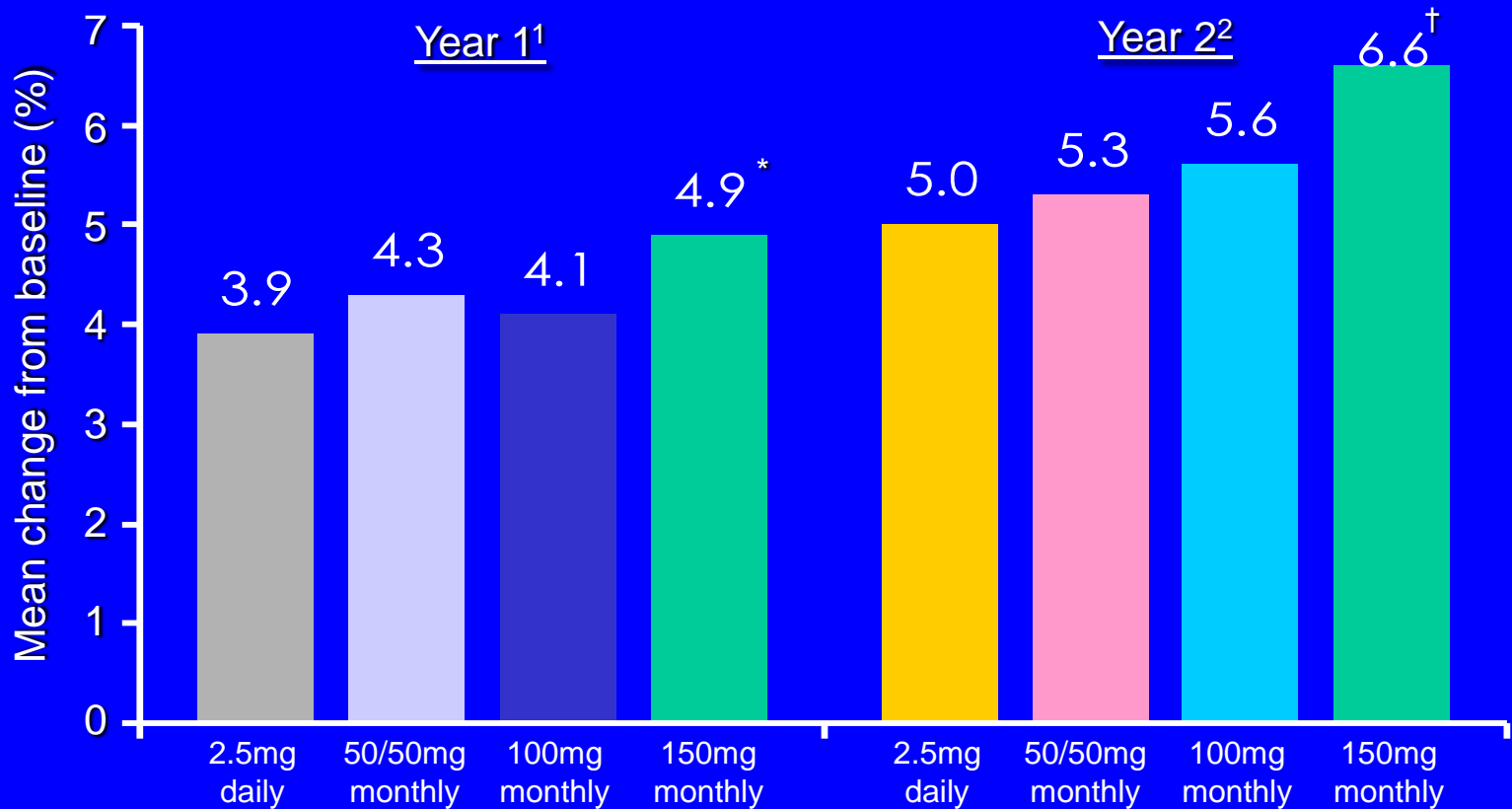
	Hip	Spine	Wrist
Lifetime risk (%)			
Women	14	11	13
Men	3	2	2
Cases/yr	400,000	270,000	330,000
Hospitalization (%)	100	2–10	22
Relative survival	0.83	0.82	1.00

Costs: All sites combined ~ €13 billion

# Drugs for osteoporosis

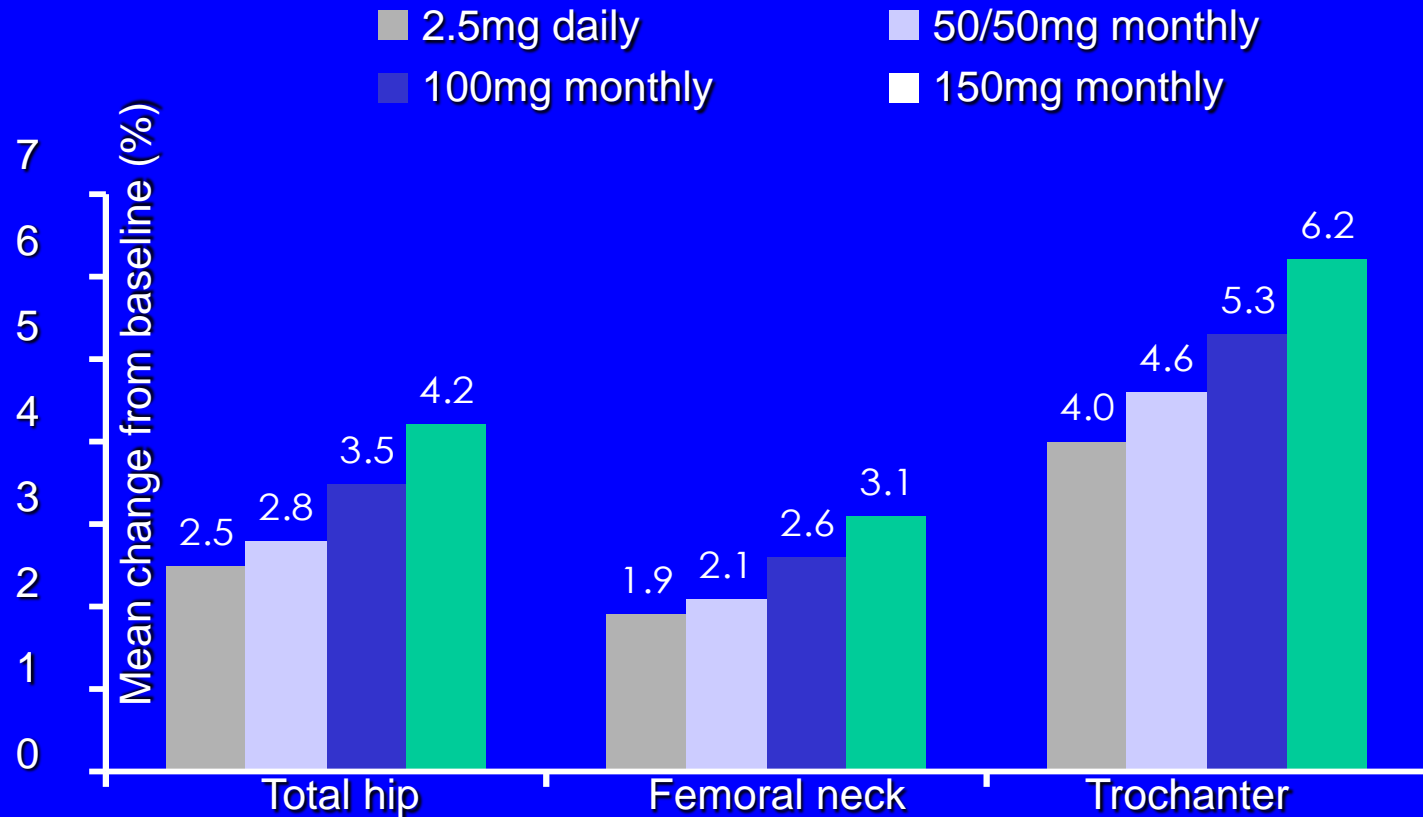


# MOBILE study: Change in lumbar spine BMD

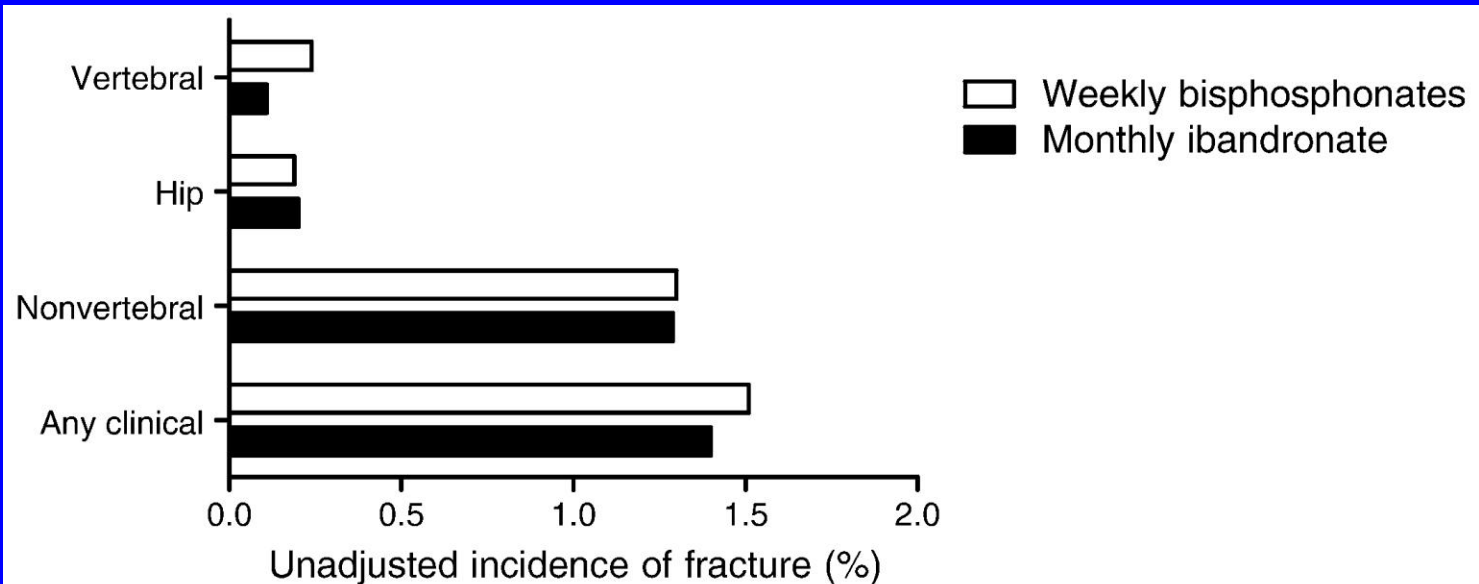


\*p=0.002 vs daily ibandronate (2.5mg) †p<0.001 vs daily ibandronate (2.5mg)

# MOBILE study: Change in proximal femur BMD



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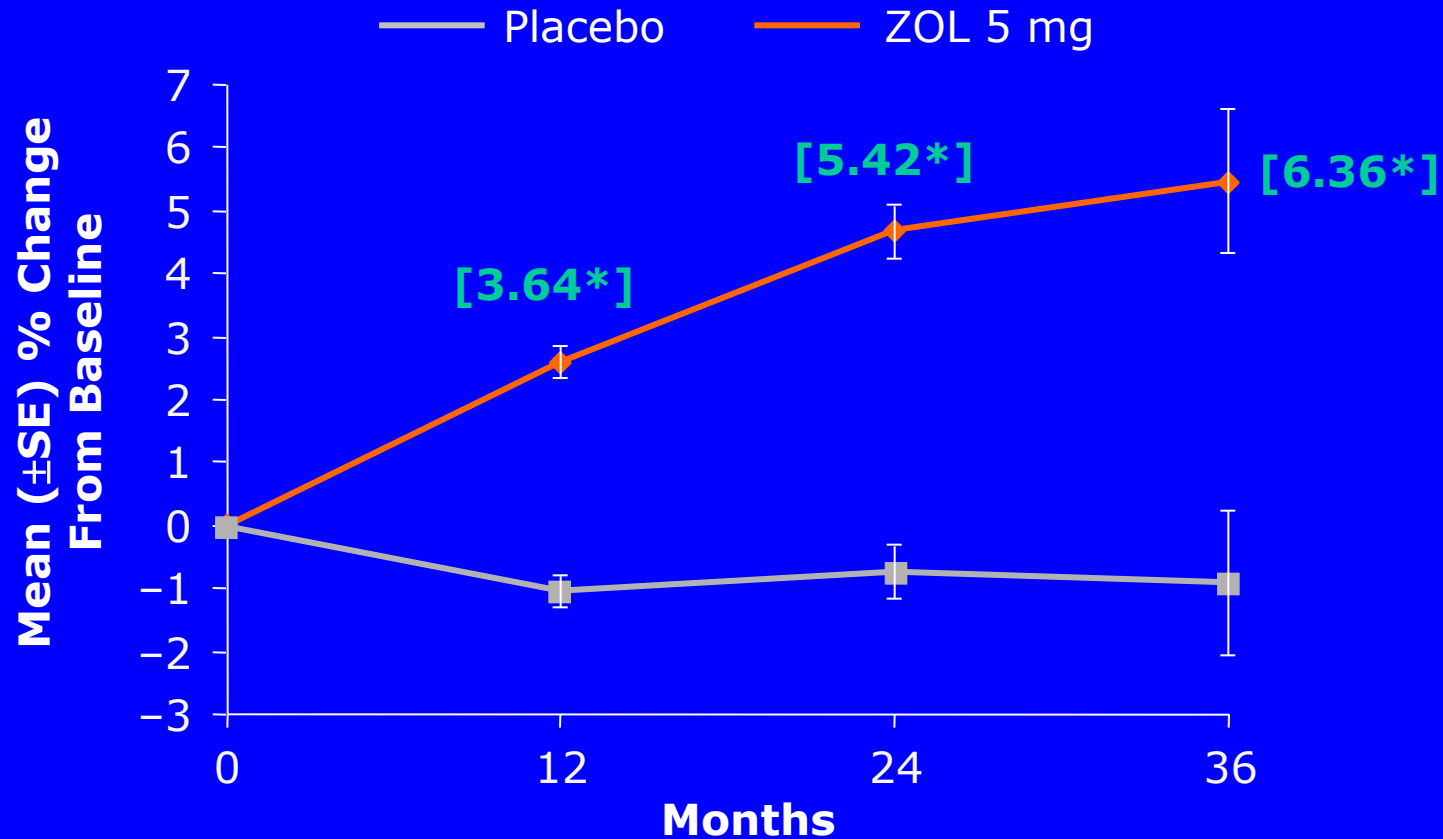


Fracture type	Unadjusted relative risk <sup>a</sup>	Adjusted relative risk (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	<i>p</i>
Vertebral	0.44	0.36 (0.18–0.75)	0.006
Hip	1.07	1.06 (0.61–1.83)	0.840
Nonvertebral	0.97	0.88 (0.71–1.09)	0.255
Any clinical	0.90	0.82 (0.66–1.00)	0.052

# Ibandronate: summary

- Improves BMD at all sites
- Shown to reduce vertebral, but not hip fractures
- Available as oral monthly dose, or 3 monthly iv dose

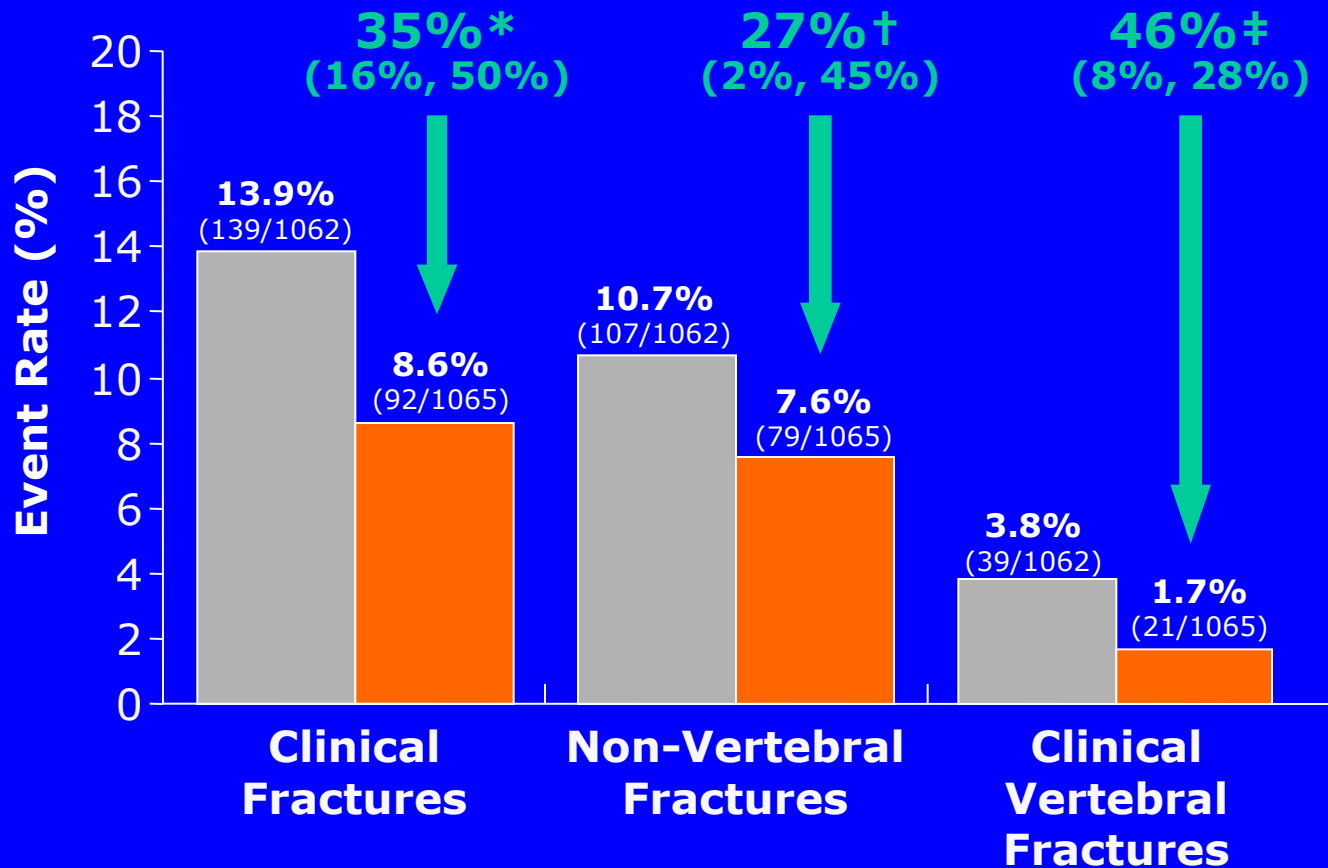
# Change in Total Hip BMD Over 3 Years with Zoledronate



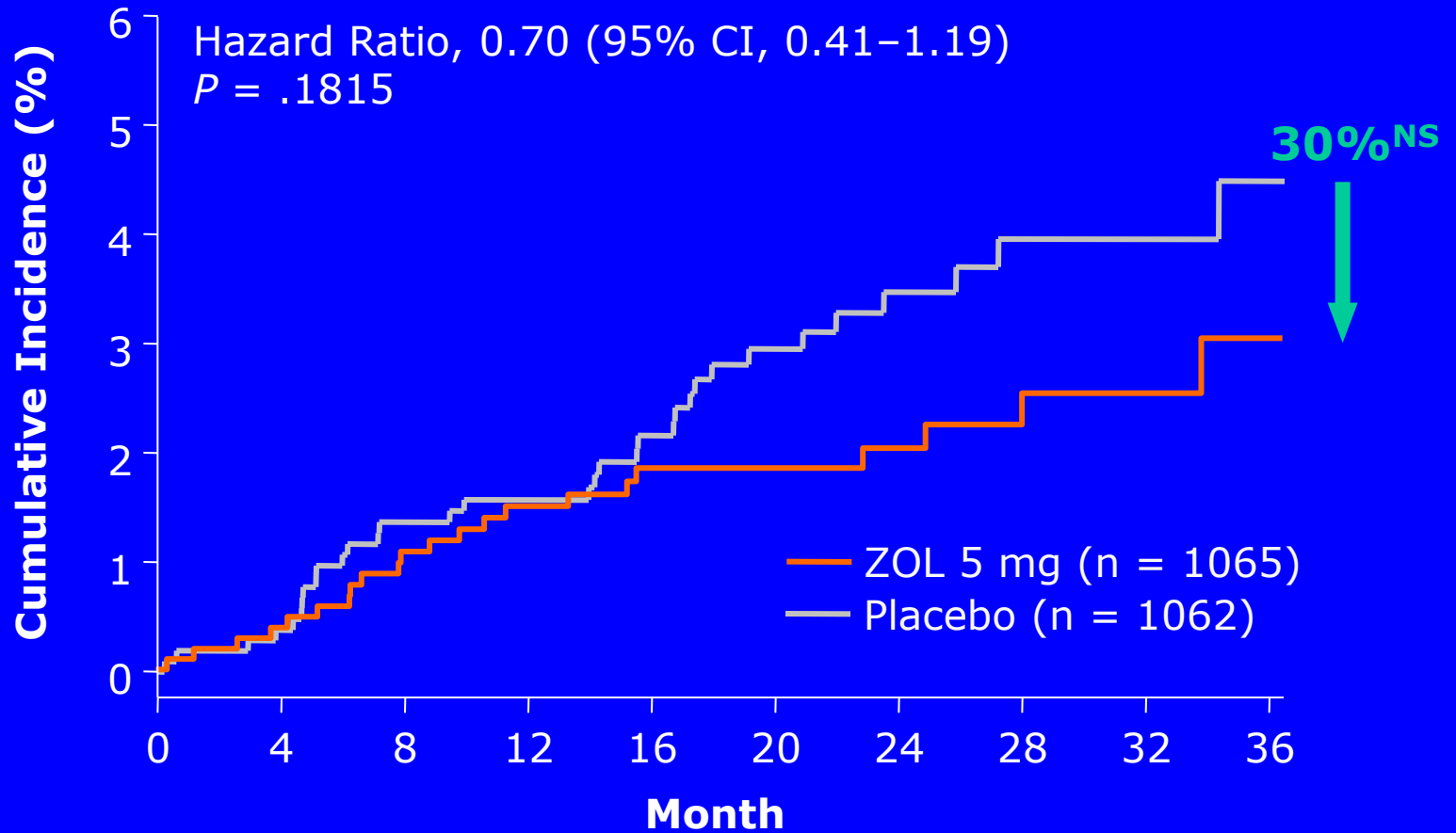
ZOL 5 mg	n=	681	405	128
Placebo	n=	683	400	124

# Fracture reduction with zoledronate

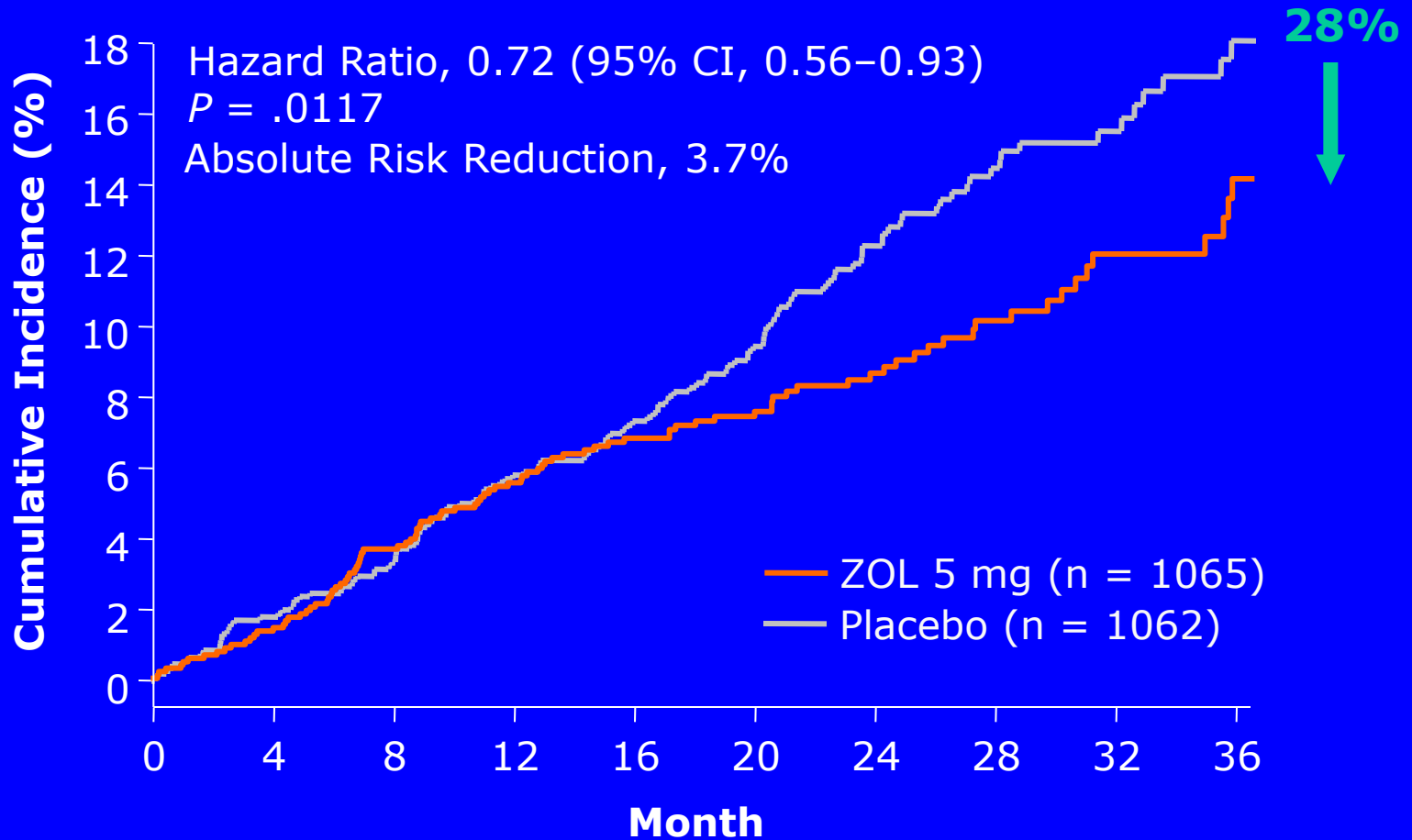
■ Placebo ■ ZOL 5 mg



# Effect on Hip Fractures Over Time



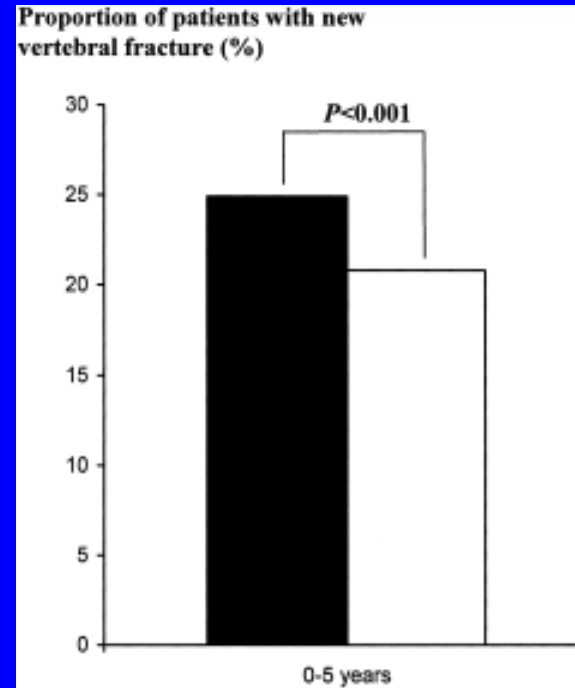
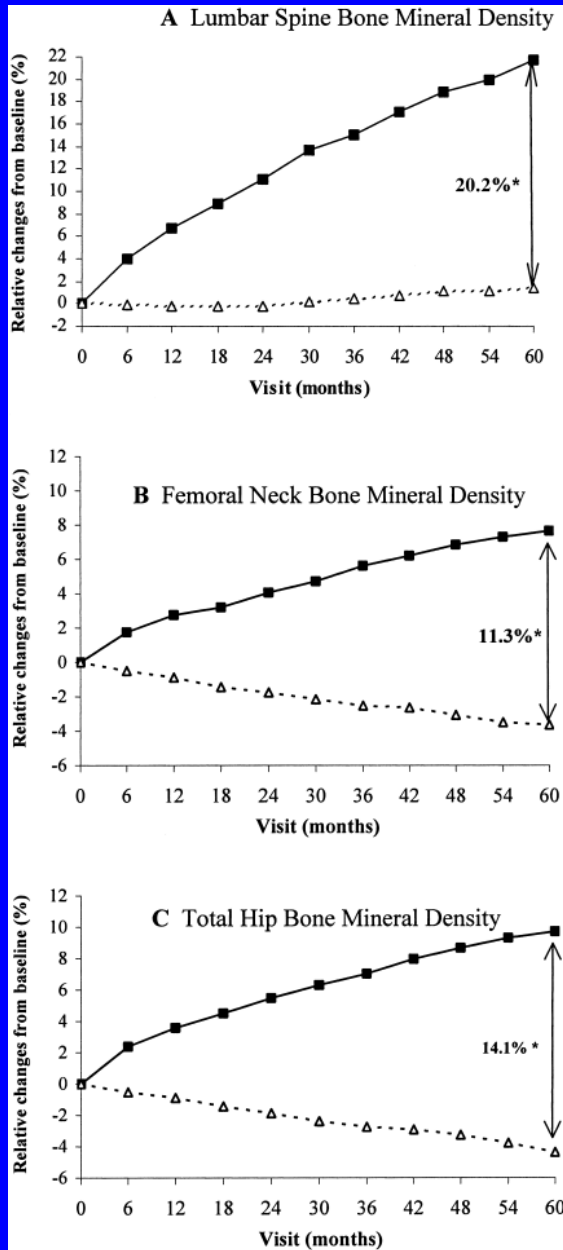
# Risk of All-Cause Mortality Over Time



# Zoledronate: summary

- Anti-fracture efficacy at all sites
- Reduced mortality in treated group in HORIZON recurrent fracture study ?  
cause
- Increased risk AF in treated group in HORIZON – Pivotal fracture trial

# Strontium



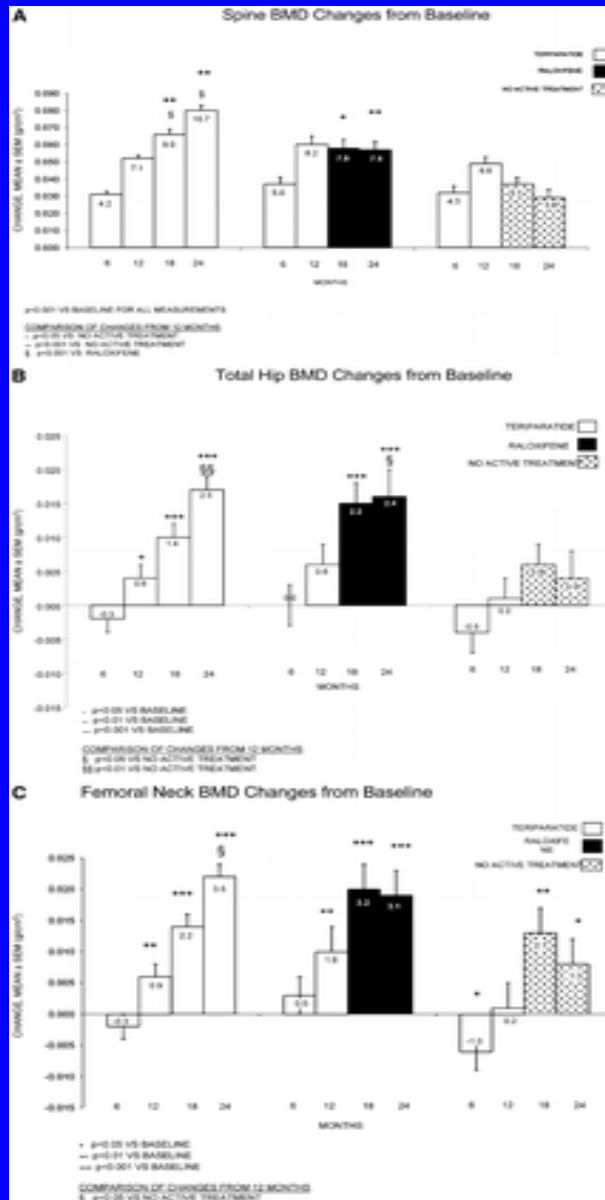
# Strontium – to monitor or not?

- Strontium has a higher atomic number than calcium, leading to overestimation of BMD when assessed by DXA
- Many correction algorithms proposed but none validated
- BMD overestimation may be 50% due to properties of strontium
- What to do on drug discontinuation?
- A role for markers of bone turnover?

# PTH

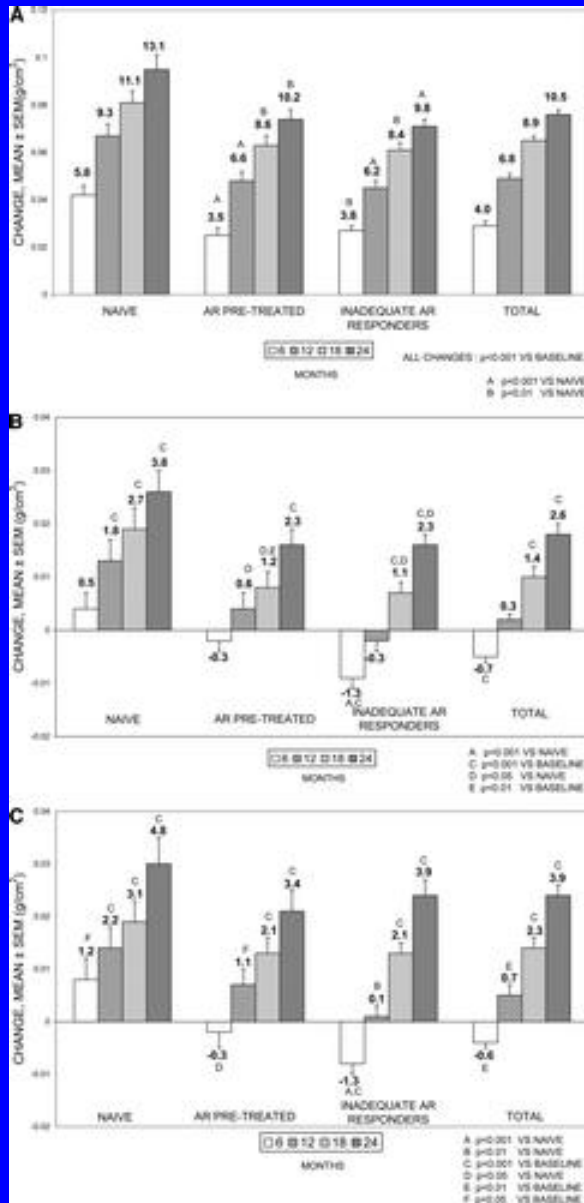
- Available as
  - (i) recombinant human PTH [1-34]
  - (ii) full length recombinant molecule (hPTH 1-84)
- Reduces vertebral fractures by 65% and non-vertebral fractures by 53%
- Studies not powered for hip fracture
- 24 month course recently approved in UK

# Sequential treatment after Teriparatide



- Antiresorptive therapy is necessary after PTH course
- Hierarchy of therapeutic effect

# Effect of treatment prior to Teriparatide



- Effect seen greatest in treatment naïve group

- Significant increases seen in all 3 groups

# Antifracture efficacy of pharmacological interventions for osteoporosis

Intervention	Vertebral	Non-vertebral	Hip
Alendronate	+	+	+
Risedronate	+	+	+
Zoledronic acid	+	+	+
Etidronate	+	-	-
Ibandronate	+	+*	-
Raloxifene	+	-	-
PTH (1-84)	+	-	-
Teriparatide	+	+	-
Strontium ranelate	=	=	=*

\* post-hoc analysis in high risk group

# Denosumab

- RANKL pathway involved in bone breakdown
- OPG inhibits RANK-RANKL
- OPG not available clinically
- Denosumab = human monoclonal Ab to block RANKL
- SC injection every 6/12
- 5% increase in spine BMD at 1 year
- 80% decrease in CTX

# NICE – areas of controversy

- Threshold for treatment is different for alendronate than other therapies
- Clinical risk assessment complicated
- No mention of FRAX<sup>tm</sup>

# Primary prevention: first treatment option

- Initial treatment offered: alendronate

Postmenopausal women aged	Independent clinical risk factor for fracture	Indicator of low BMD	Osteoporosis confirmed
younger than 65 years	1 or more and	at least one additional indicator	Required
65–69 years	1 or more	n/a	Required
70 years and older	1 or more or	Yes	Required

In women  $\geq 75$  years:  
not required if two or more clinical risk factors or indicators of low BMD

# Primary prevention: alternative treatment option (1)

- Alternative treatment – risedronate or etidronate when women:
  - are unable to comply with administration of, or have a contraindication to or are intolerant of alendronate and
  - have a combination of T-score, age and number of clinical risk factors as outlined in the table.

Number of independent clinical risk factors for fracture			
Age (years)	0	1	2
65–69	<sup>a</sup>	–3.5	–3.0
70–74	–3.5	–3.0	–2.5
75 or older	–3.0	–3.0	–2.5

<sup>a</sup> Treatment with risedronate or etidronate is not recommended.

# Primary prevention: alternative treatment option (2)

- Alternative treatment – strontium ranelate when women:
  - are unable to comply with administration of, or have a contraindication to or are intolerant of alendronate and either risedronate or etidronate **and**
  - have a combination of T-score, age and number of clinical risk factors as outlined in the table.

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75 or older	–4.0	–4.0	–3.0

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# Secondary prevention: first treatment option

- Initial treatment offered: alendronate
  - Postmenopausal women with confirmed osteoporosis
  - A DXA scan may not be required in women aged 75 or over

# Secondary prevention:

## alternative treatment option (1)

- Alternative treatment – risedronate or etidronate when women:
  - are unable to comply with administration of, or have a contraindication to or are intolerant of alendronate and
  - have a combination of T-score, age and number of clinical risk factors as outlined in the table.

Number of independent clinical risk factors for fracture			
Age (years)	0	1	2
50–54	<sup>a</sup>	–3.0	–2.5
55–59	–3.0	–3.0	–2.5
60–64	–3.0	–3.0	–2.5
65–69	–3.0	–2.5	–2.5
70 or older	–2.5	–2.5	–2.5

<sup>a</sup> Treatment with risedronate or etidronate is not recommended.

# Secondary prevention: alternative treatment option (2)

- Alternative treatment – strontium ranelate or raloxifene when women:
  - are unable to comply with administration of, or have a contraindication to or are intolerant of alendronate and either risedronate or etidronate **and**
  - have a combination of T-score, age and number of clinical risk factors as outlined in the table.

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70–74	–3.0	–3.0	–2.5
75 or older	–3.0	–2.5	–2.5

<sup>a</sup> Treatment with raloxifene or strontium ranelate is not recommended.

# Secondary prevention: alternative treatment option (3)

- Alternative treatment – teriparatide when women:
  - are unable to take, have a contraindication to or are intolerant of alendronate and either risedronate or etidronate, or
  - have a contraindication to, or are intolerant of strontium ranelate or
  - have had an unsatisfactory response to treatment with alendronate, risedronate or etidronate and
  - have a combination of T-score, age and number of fractures as outlined in the table.

Age (years)	T-score	Fractures
> 65 years	–4.0 SD or below	–
> 65 years	–3.5 SD or below	More than two
55–64 years	–4 SD or below	More than two

# FRAX<sup>®</sup> .....

integrates clinical risk factors, with or without femoral neck BMD, to calculate the 10-year probability of a major osteoporotic fracture and hip fracture for several countries, including the UK

([www.shef.ac.uk/FRAX](http://www.shef.ac.uk/FRAX))



# FRAX WHO Fracture Risk Assessment Tool

[HOME](#)[CALCULATION TOOL](#)[FAQ](#)[REFERENCE](#)Your Country : **UK**Name / ID : [About the risk factors](#)

### Weight Conversion:

pound: 1 pound = 0.453592 kg

### Height Conversion:

inch: 1 inch = 2.54 cm

## Questionnaire:

1. Age (between 40-90 years) or Date of birth

Age:

Date of birth:

Y:  M:  D: 

2. Sex

 Male  Female

3. Weight (kg)

4. Height (cm)

5. Previous fracture

 No  Yes

6. Parent fractured hip

 No  Yes

7. Current smoking

 No  Yes

8. Glucocorticoids

 No  Yes

9. Rheumatoid arthritis

 No  Yes10. Secondary osteoporosis  No  Yes11. Alcohol 3 more units per day  No  Yes

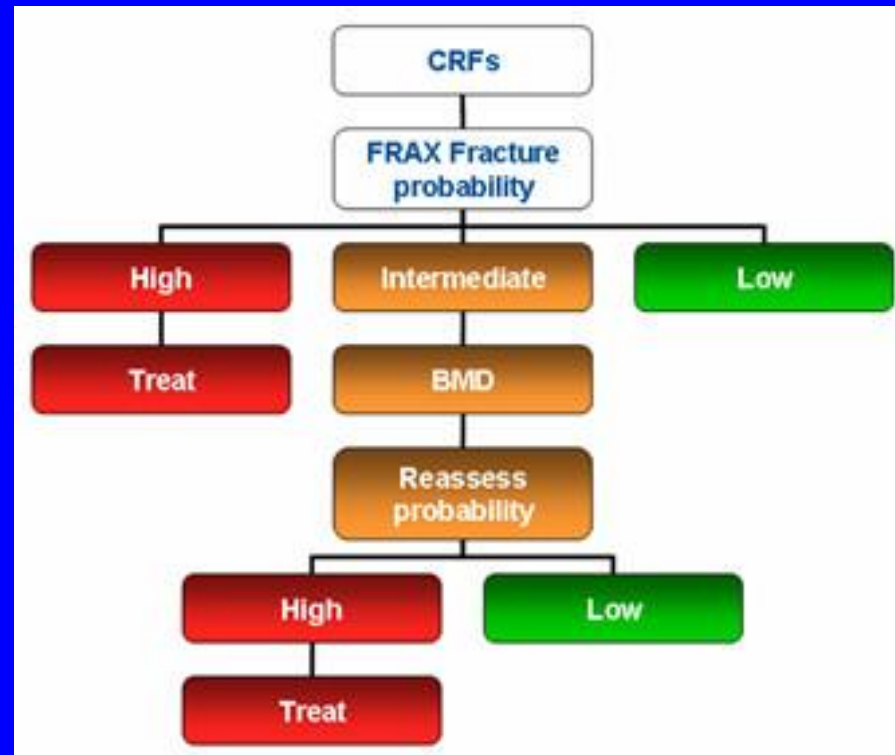
12. Femoral neck BMD

T-score **BMI:****The ten year probability of fracture (%) with BMD** **Major osteoporotic fracture** **Hip fracture:**

# The National Osteoporosis Guideline Group\* (NOGG).....

- Was established to provide a clinical guideline for the management of men and women at high fracture risk, particularly to integrate the output from FRAX<sup>®</sup> with current clinical management of osteoporosis
- Provide assessment thresholds for the use of BMD i.e. the fracture probabilities at which a BMD test might or might not be recommended
- Revise intervention thresholds, based on the existing RCP case-finding strategy, to provide the fracture probability at which intervention is recommended

# Management algorithm for the assessment of patients at risk of fracture



Questions?