

Nutritional D versus Active Vitamin D: Which  
One to Choose?

## Activate Vitamin D



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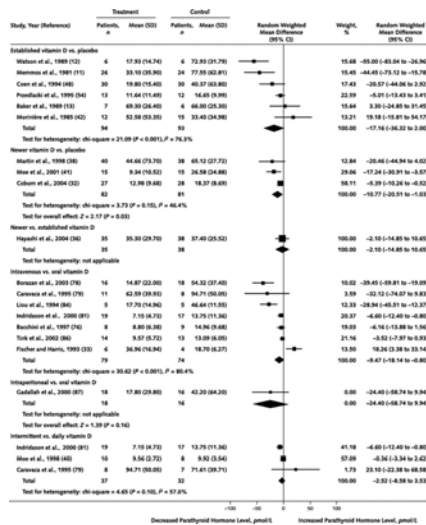
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# Meta-analysis: Vitamin D Compounds in Chronic Kidney Disease

- 76 trials, 3,667 participants
- Mortality only reported in 8 trials (627 patients)
- “Beneficial effects on patient-level outcomes are unproven”

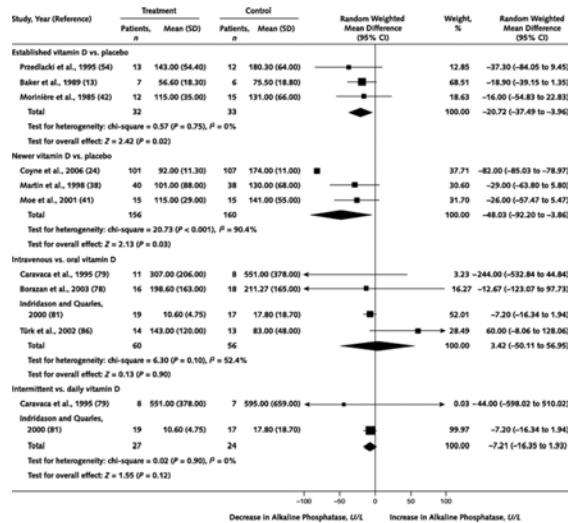
Palmer et al. Ann of Intern Med. 2007

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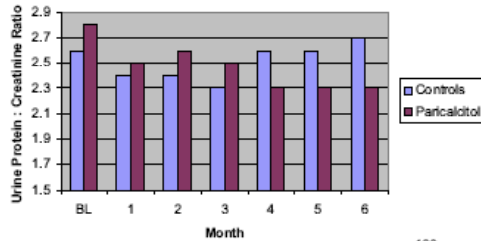
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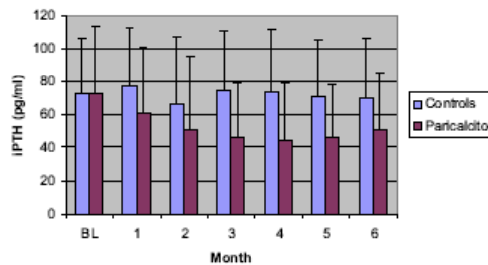
### Oral Paricalcitol in the Treatment of Patients With CKD and Proteinuria: A Randomized Trial

Steven Fishbane, MD, Harini Chittineni, MD, Michal Paackman, MD, Paula Dutka, RN,  
Nicole Ali, MD, and Nicole Durie, MD

*Am J Kidney Dis* 54:647-652.



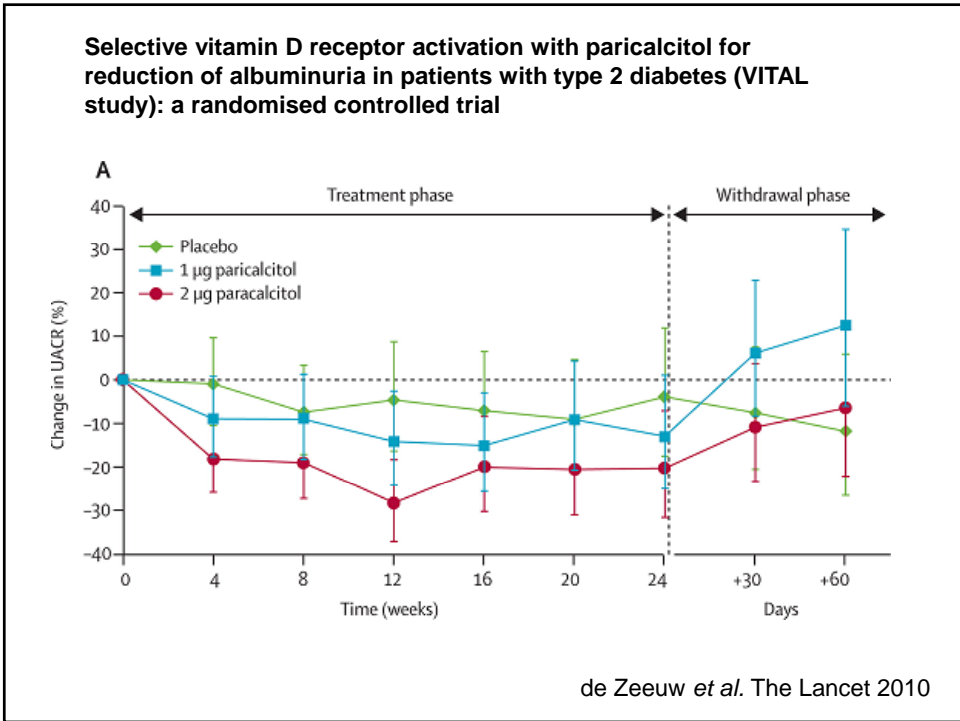
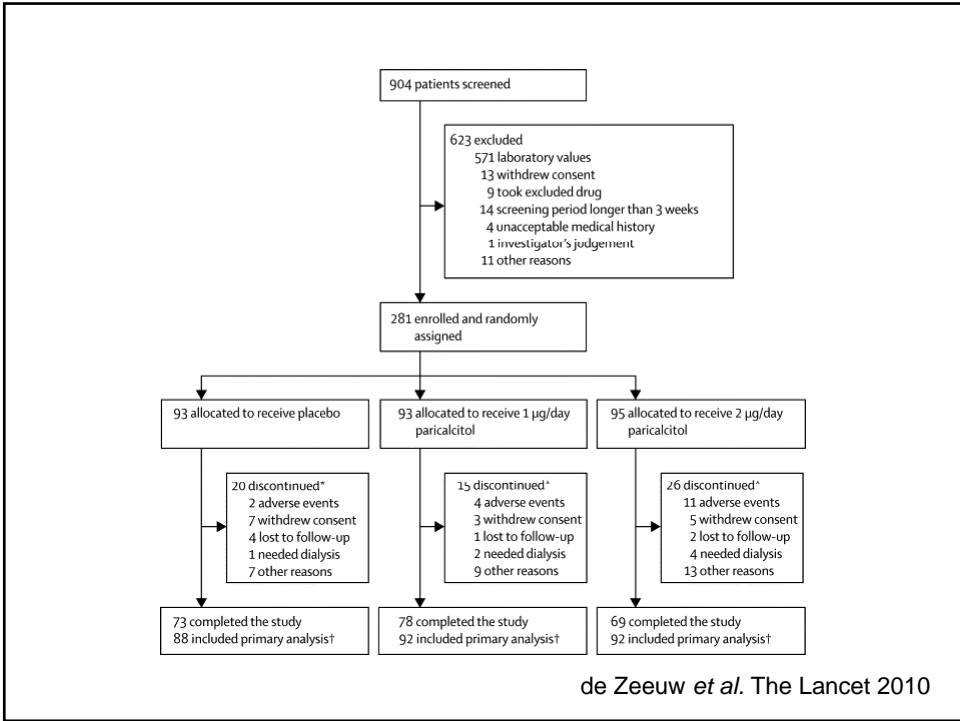
Double-blind placebo controlled trial of paricalcitol in 61 patients with eGFR 15-90 (mean 35ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>)



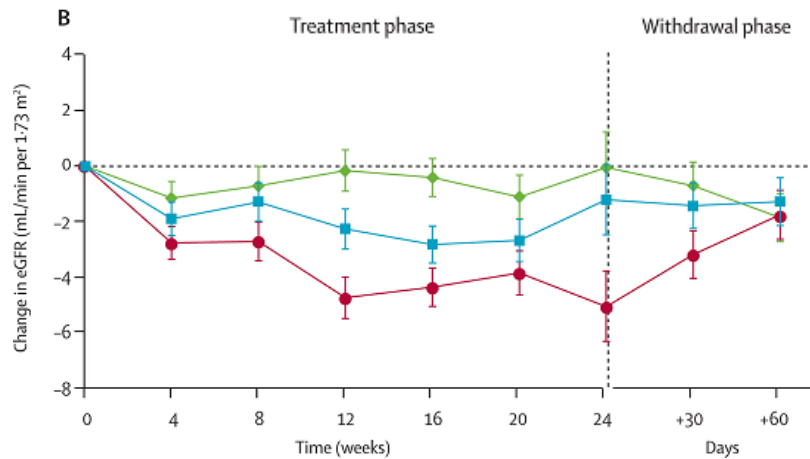
### Selective vitamin D receptor activation with paricalcitol for reduction of albuminuria in patients with type 2 diabetes (VITAL study): a randomised controlled trial

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- 281 enrolled patients from 9 different countries
- Type 2 diabetics
- eGFR 15-90 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>
- albuminuria (100-3,000 mg/g)
- ACE inhibitor or ARBs
- Serum calcium <9.8 mg/dL
- PTH 35-500 pg/mL



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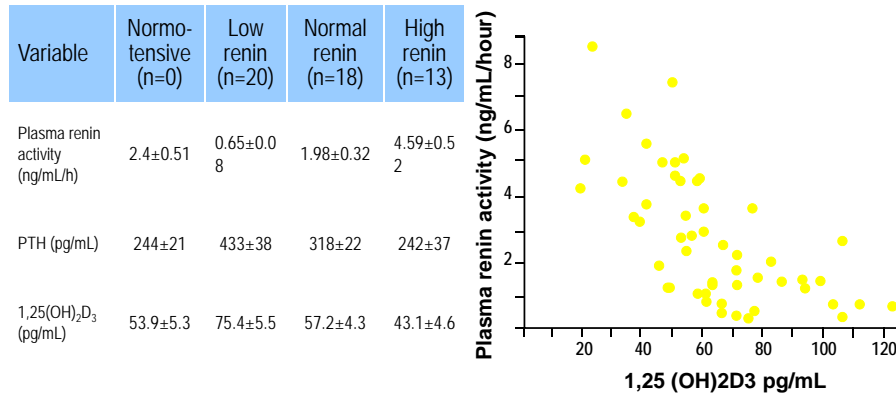


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## Low Serum 1-25D Levels Are Associated With High Levels of Plasma Renin Activity



Resnick LM. *Ann Intern Med.* 1986;105:649-654.

## 1,25-Dihydroxyvitamin D<sub>3</sub> is a negative endocrine regulator of the renin-angiotensin system

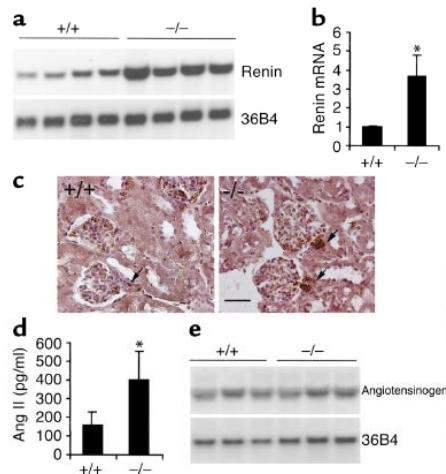
See related Commentary on pages 155-156.

Yan Chun Li,<sup>1</sup> Juan Kong,<sup>1</sup> Minjie Wei,<sup>1</sup> Zhou-Feng Chen,<sup>2</sup> Shu Q. Liu,<sup>3</sup> and Li-Ping Cao<sup>1</sup>

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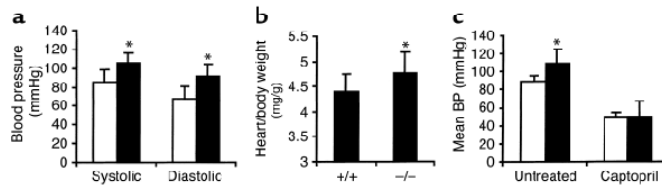
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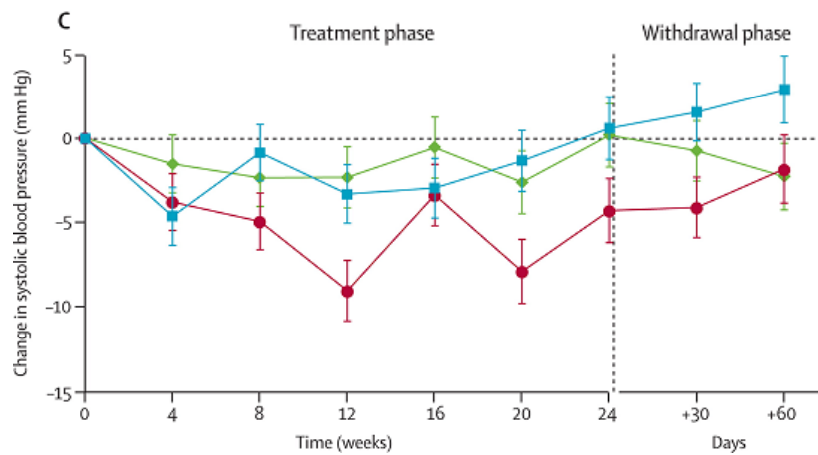
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**Figure 2**  
Effect of VDR inactivation on blood pressure and heart weight/body weight ratio. (a) Systolic and diastolic blood pressures of wild-type (white bars) and VDR<sup>-/-</sup> (black bars) mice. \**P* < 0.01 vs. corresponding wild-type mice; *n* = 9 for wild-type mice; *n* = 8 for VDR<sup>-/-</sup> mice. (b) Ratio of heart weight to body weight of wild-type and VDR<sup>-/-</sup> mice. \**P* < 0.05 vs. wild-type mice; *n* = 9 in each genotype. (c) Mean blood pressure (BP) of wild-type (white bars) and VDR<sup>-/-</sup> (black bars) mice untreated or treated with captopril for 5 days. \**P* < 0.05 vs. corresponding untreated wild-type mice; *n* = 4 in each genotype in each group.

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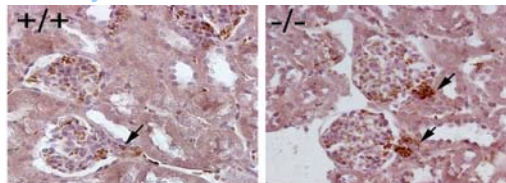


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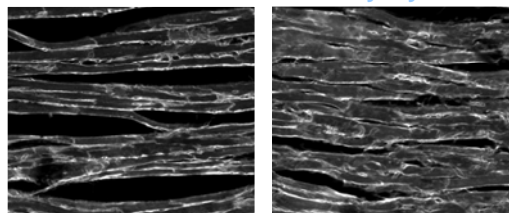
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## Renal and Cardiac Effects: VDR Knockout Mice

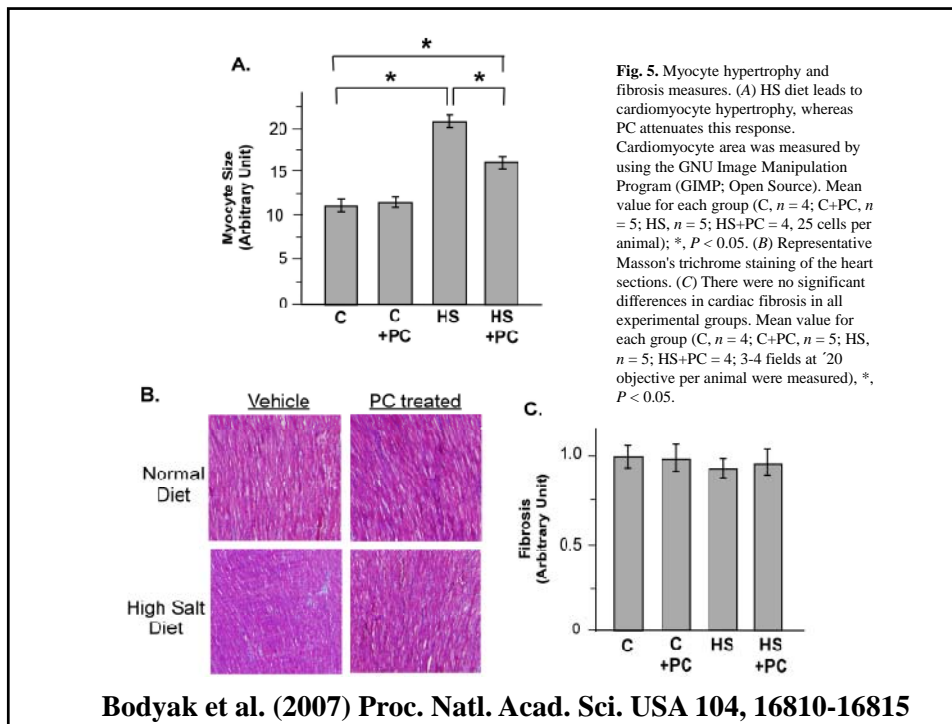
Kidney Cortex With Anti-renin Anti-serum



Left Ventricular Cardiac Myocytes



1. Li YC, et al. *J Clin Invest.* 2002;110:229-238.
2. Xiang G, et al. *Am J Physiol.* 2005;288:e125-132.



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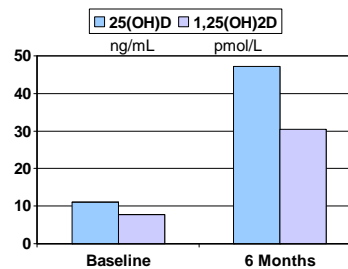
## Observational Associations Between Activated Vitamin D Use and Survival in Dialysis Patients

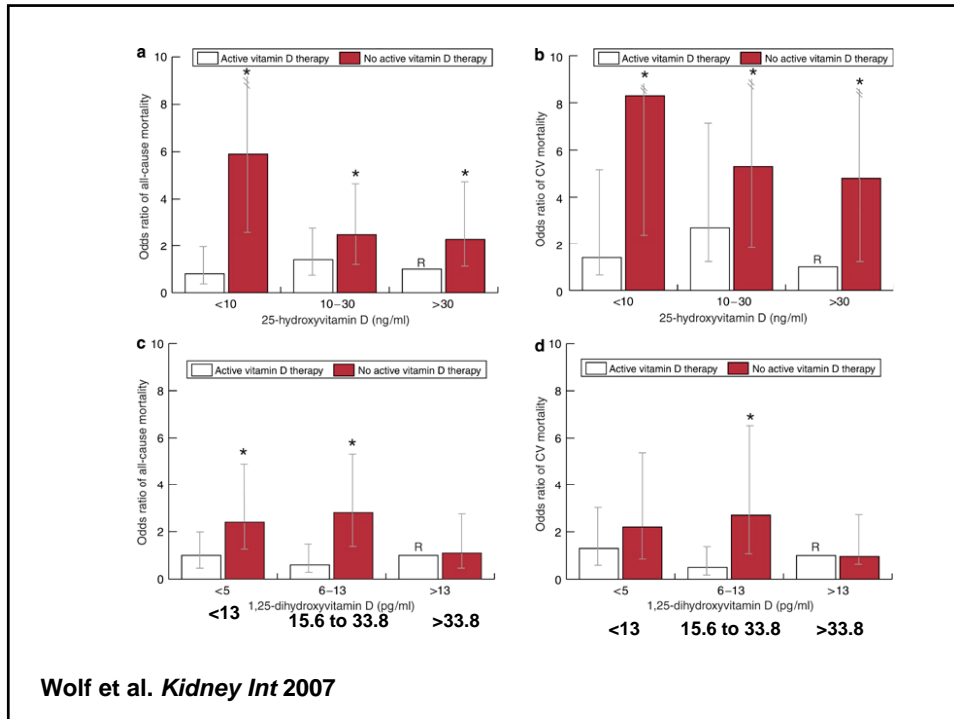
Teng <i>et al.</i> , J Am Soc Nephrol, 2005	Any VDRA	N=51,037
Melamed <i>et al.</i> , Kidney Int., 2006	Calcitriol	N=1007
Tentori <i>et al.</i> , Kidney Int., 2006	Any VDRA	N=7731
Kalantar-Zadeh <i>et al.</i> , Kidney Int., 2006	Paricalcitol	N=58,058
Shoji <i>et al.</i> , Nephrol Dial Transplant, 2004	Alfacalcidol	N=242
Wolf <i>et al.</i> , J Am Soc Nephrol, 2008	Any VDRA	N=9303
Shinaberger <i>et al.</i> , Clin J Am Soc Nephrol, 2008	Paricalcitol	N=34,307
Kovesdy <i>et al.</i> , Archives of Internal Med. 2008	Calcitriol	N=520
Shoben <i>et al.</i> , J Am Soc Nephrol, 2008	Calcitriol	N=1418
Tentori <i>et al.</i> , Nephrol Dial Transplant, 2009	Any VDRA	N=38,066

### Evidence for Persistent Vitamin D 1-Alpha-Hydroxylation in Hemodialysis Patients: Evolution of Serum 1,25-Dihydroxycholecalciferol after 6 Months of 25-Hydroxycholecalciferol Treatment

C. Jean et al. Nephron Clin Pract 2008

- 43 Hemodialysis patients given 400 – 1200 IU of Vitamin D3 daily for 6 months
- Mean 1,25(OH)2D levels post therapy 30.5 +/- 15 pmol/L





## Conclusions

- Patients with CKD have deficiencies of 25(OH)D and 1,25 (OH)2D
- Randomized clinical trials have shown a benefit for active Vitamin D in:
  - Albuminuria
  - Hypertension
- Associations between active Vitamin D use and:
  - Mortality