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# Mineral metabolism in Preterm infants on Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition

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*Assessment  
of bone  
growth and  
mineralisation  
during the  
fetal life*

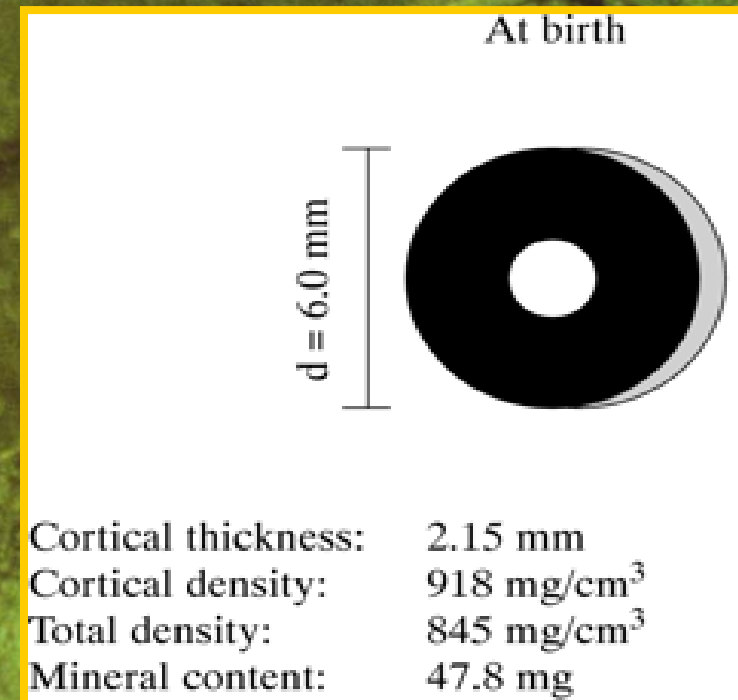


### 3a-Physiological changes

## Factors influencing bone growth and mineralisation during the fetal life

- Adequate protein supply.
- High Ca and P supplies.
- Hormonal environment: maternal Vit D status, low PTH, high oestrogen.
- Physical activity.
- Genes

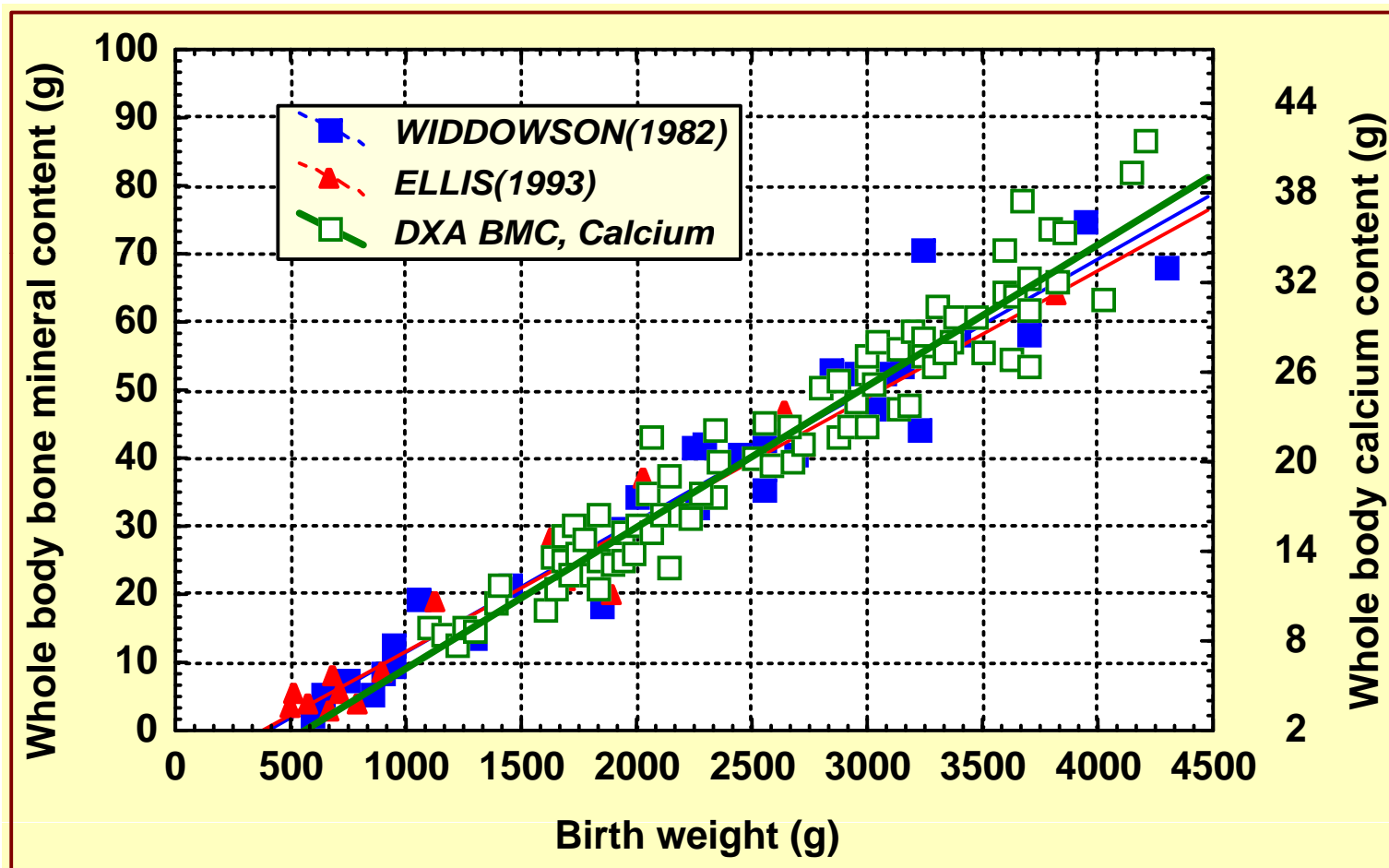
• In utero, modeling is largely predominant to remodeling. Remodeling process is suppressed during the fetal life in relation to the relative fetal hypercalcemia and the suppression of the PTH secretion.







## *Fetal Ca accretion measurements with carcass analysis, neutron activation and DEXA*



For DEXA, Ca content was calculated as  $Ca = 0.456 \cdot BMC + 1.56$   
Picaud et al, AJCN 1996;63:157-63



# Ca, P and Vit D requirements ,for preterm infants



Introduction

Fetal retention

Metabolic balances

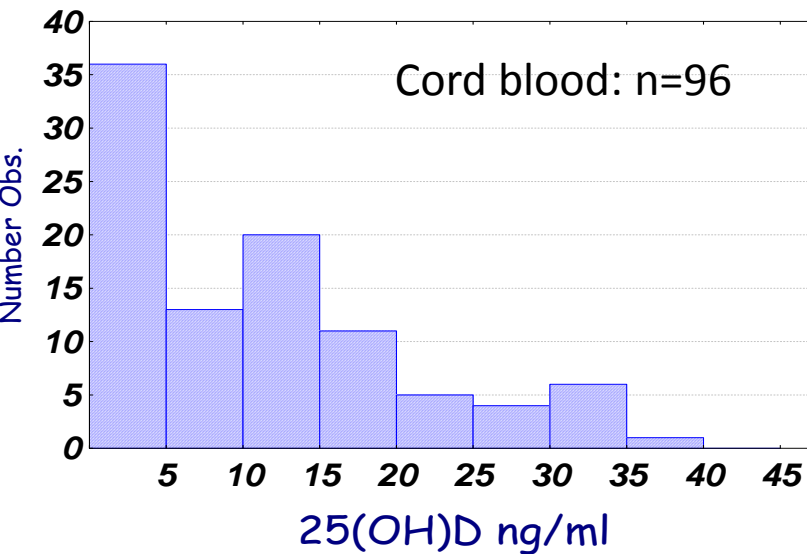
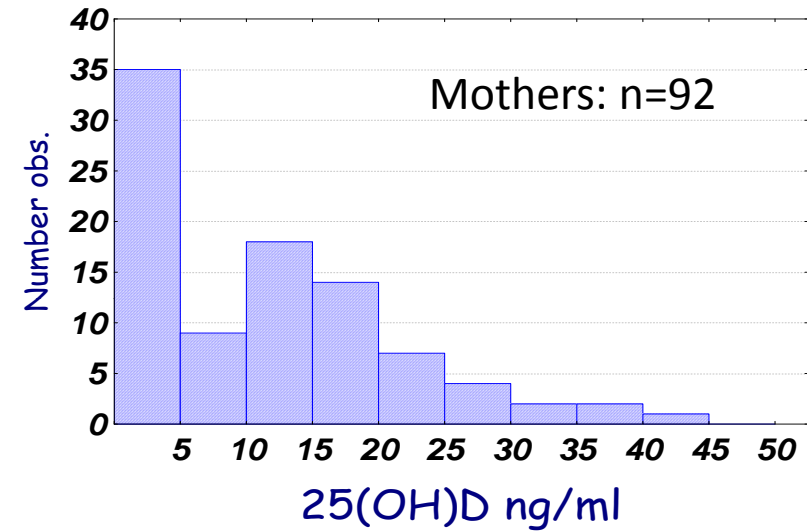
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Conclusion

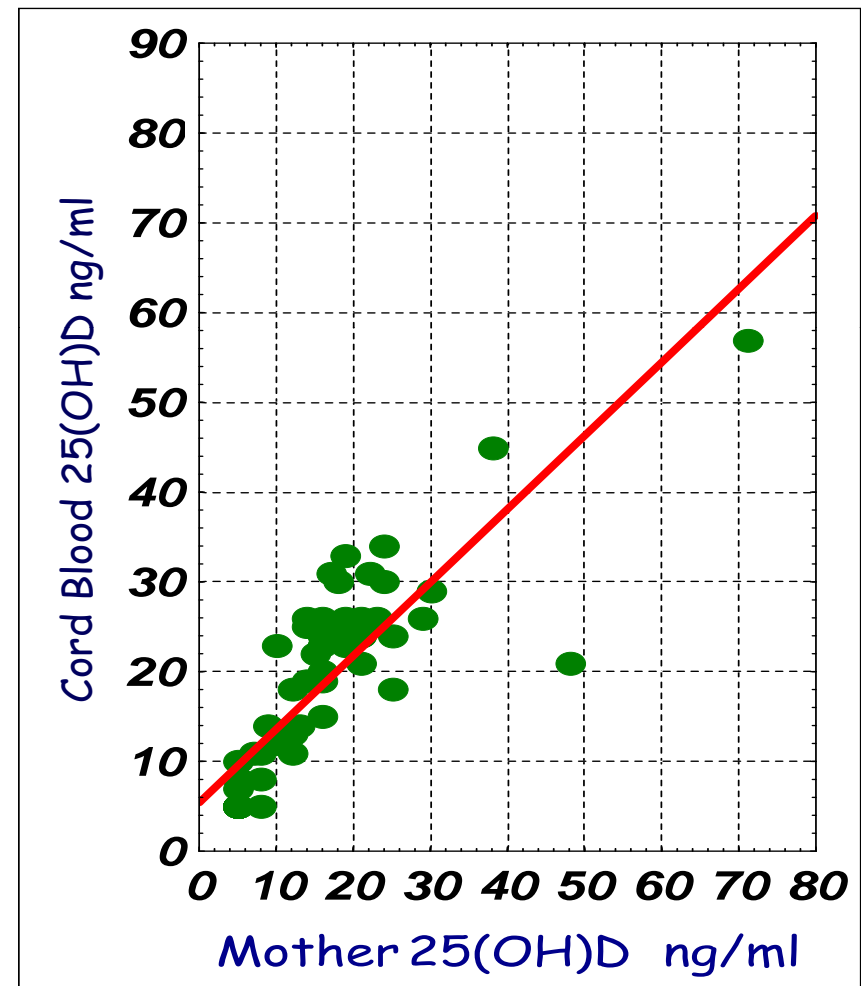
	Fetal accretion (mg/kg*d)	Human milk supply (mg/kg*d)
Calcium	120	50
Phosphorus	70	25
Magnesium	3	5



## Fetal Vit D status



## Mother to infant relationship



*C Pieltain & J Rigo 2008*



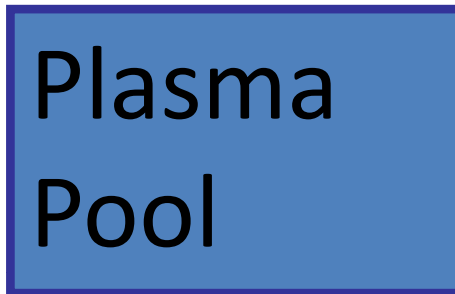
## Fetal Ca Accretion

Transplacental flux



120 mg/kg\*d

In utero



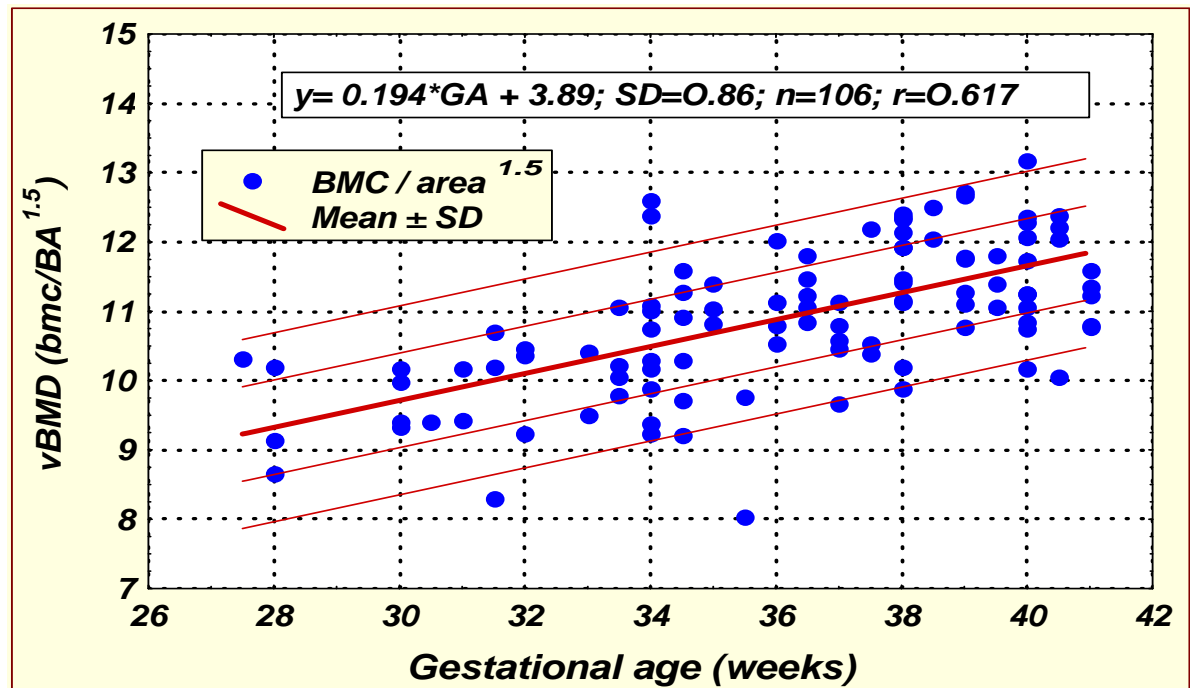
**Bone**

growth and modeling

vBMD



Reference values of vBMD according to gestational age in preterm and term infants at birth





An illustration of a baby lying in a bed, drinking from a glass bottle with the Nestlé logo. The baby is tucked under a blue blanket. In the foreground, there are two cans of Nestlé products: a larger can of 'FARINE LACTÉE NESTLÉ' and a smaller can of 'LAIT CONCENTRÉ NESTLÉ'. A small bowl with a spoon containing a yellowish mixture is also visible. The background features a stylized green plant. The text 'Post-natal Mineral Requirements' is overlaid in a yellow, cursive font.

# *Post-natal Mineral Requirements*

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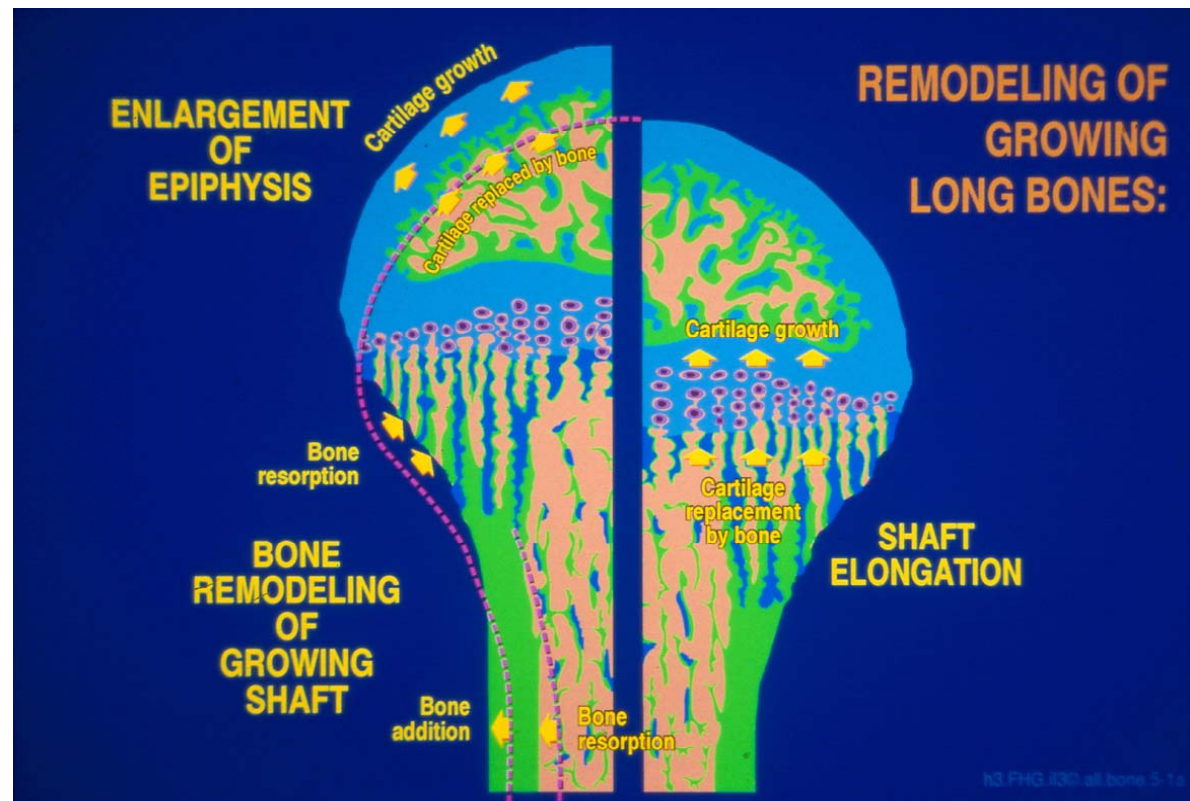
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## *Postnatal changes in bone growth and mineralisation*

- Limited mineral supply due to GI absorption (oral) or Ca solubility (parenteral).
- Predominant influence of bone strength and tissue strain.
- Postnatal Vit D status and PTH surge.
- Remodeling process in bone metabolism increasing bone turnover.





# Ca, P and Vit D requirements ,for preterm infants



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Calcium, intact parathyroid hormone [PTH(1-84)], carboxy terminal PTH (cPTH), and vitamin D binding protein (DBP) concentrations in cord serum and at days 1, 2, 5, 10, and 30 after birth in 15 preterm infants<sup>1</sup> *Salle BL & al AJCN 2000;71:1317S*

	Calcium	PTH(1-84)	cPTH	DBP
	<i>mmol/L</i>	<i>pmol/L</i>	<i>pmol/L</i>	<i>μmol/L</i>
Cord serum	2.24 ± 0.09	11 ± 3	48 ± 8	4.43 ± 0.37
Day 1	1.94 ± 0.04 <sup>2</sup>	66 ± 11 <sup>2</sup>	125 ± 15 <sup>2</sup>	4.40 ± 0.34
Day 2	1.85 ± 0.05 <sup>2</sup>	87 ± 11 <sup>2</sup>	168 ± 5 <sup>2</sup>	4.96 ± 0.23
Day 5	2.22 ± 0.05	67 ± 9 <sup>2</sup>	152 ± 16 <sup>2</sup>	6.21 ± 0.26 <sup>2</sup>
Day 10	2.45 ± 0.06	23 ± 4	69 ± 6	6.03 ± 0.30 <sup>2</sup>
Day 30	2.44 ± 0.05	38 ± 7	80 ± 11	5.16 ± 0.23

<sup>1</sup> ± SEM. The infants' mean birth weight was 1578 ± 78 g and their mean gestational age was 31.7 ± 0.5 wk. Serum DBP was measured by a radialimmunodiffusion assay (65).

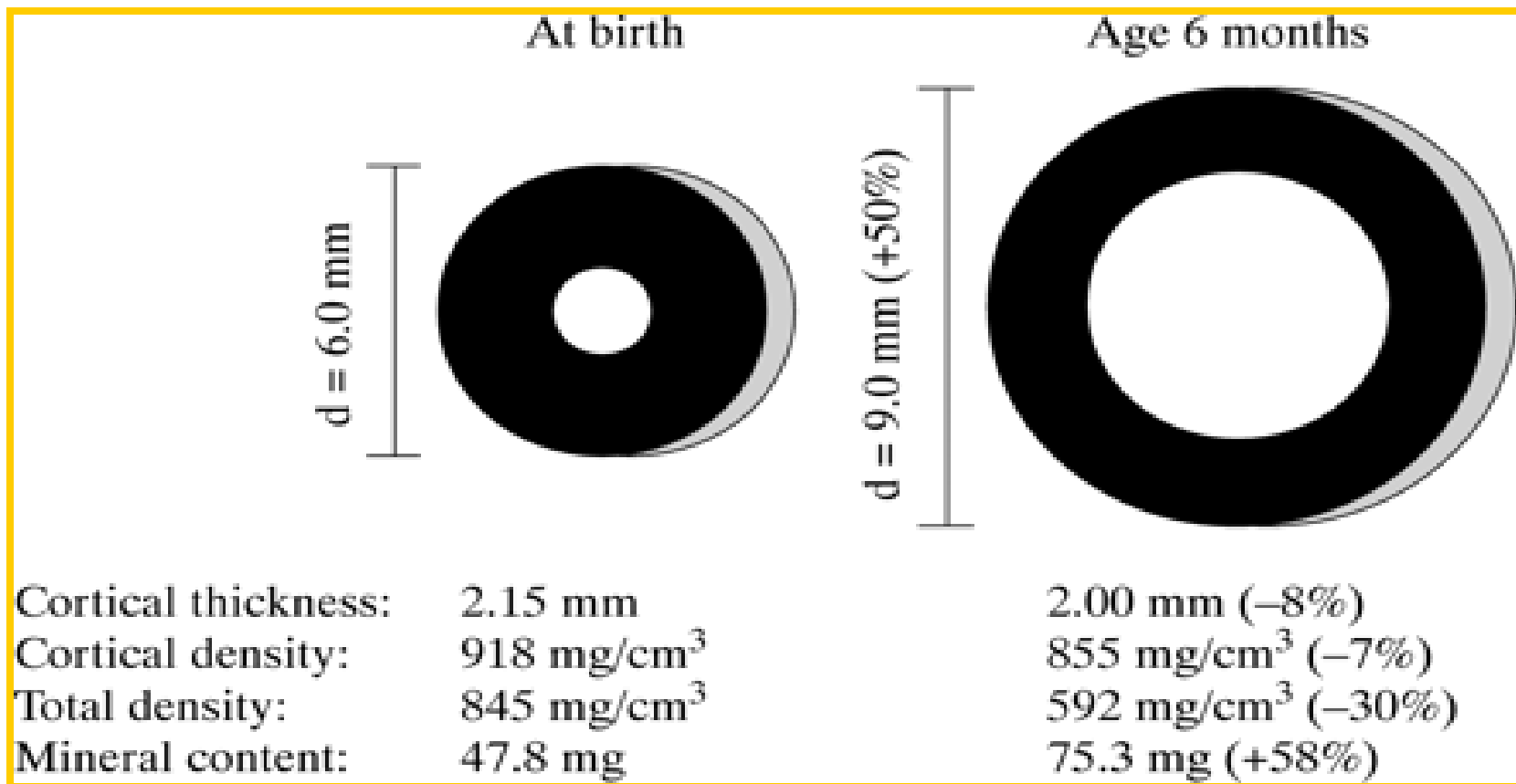
<sup>2</sup>Significantly different from cord serum, *P* < 0.05 (one-factor ANOVA for repeated measures followed by Scheffe *F* test).





## Normal postnatal changes in the cross section of the femoral diaphysis

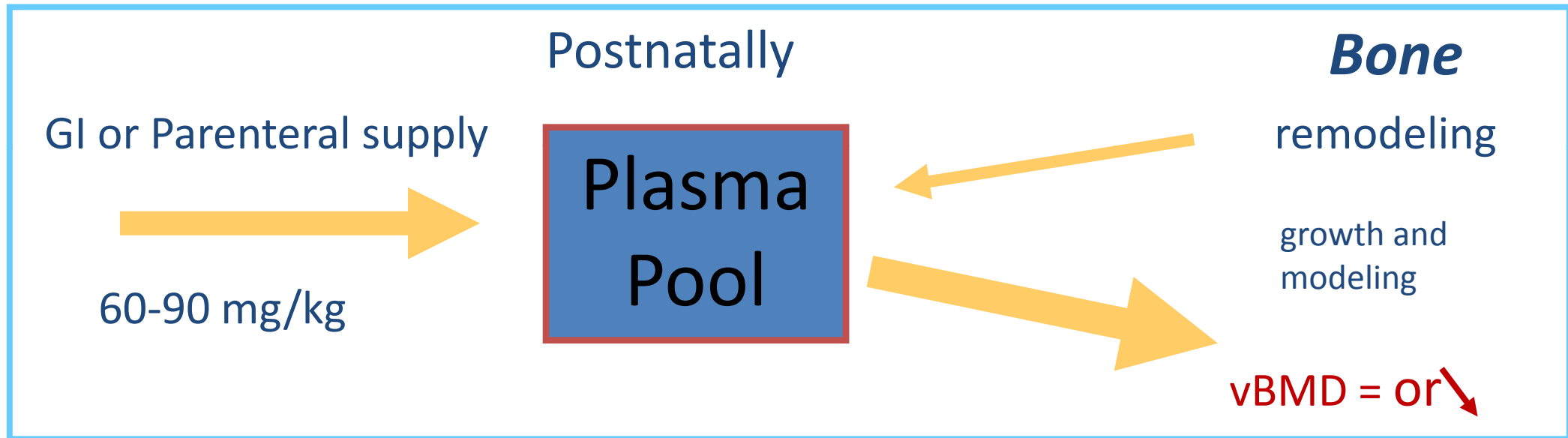
*F Rauch, E Schoeneau Arch Dis Child FN 2002;86:F82-85*



The increase of Ca turnover could reduce the nutritional needs ?



## Physiological change in mineral requirements



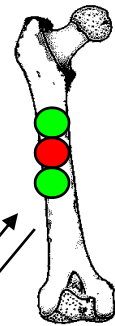
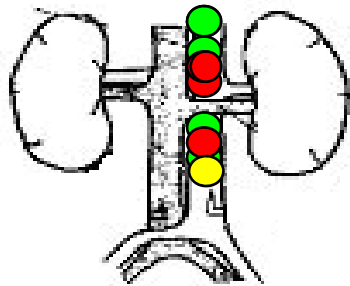
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# Calcium & Phosphorus Physiology in Parenteral Nutrition

## Ca P & AA in Parenteral Nutrition

- **Calcium** : **Phosphore** & AA directly Available for metabolism.
- **Calcium** & Phosphorus content are limited due to their poor solubility



## Mineralization

As hydroxyapatite  
 $[Ca_{10}(PO_4)_6(OH)_2]$

Ca/P Ratio = 1.66 mmol/mmol  
 = 2.15 mg/mg

## Urinary excretion

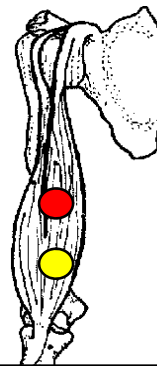
## Phosphaturia

Major mechanism of regulation.  
 Related to the Renal Phosphorus load:  $>1.6$  mmol/L

PTH  $\nearrow$  FGF23  $\nearrow$

## Calciuria

Related to a relative P deficit for bone mineralization



## LBM Retention

Around 10 mg of **Phosphorus** for 1 g of protein (AA) retention  
 Nitrogen/P Ratio = 15/1

## Blood Pool

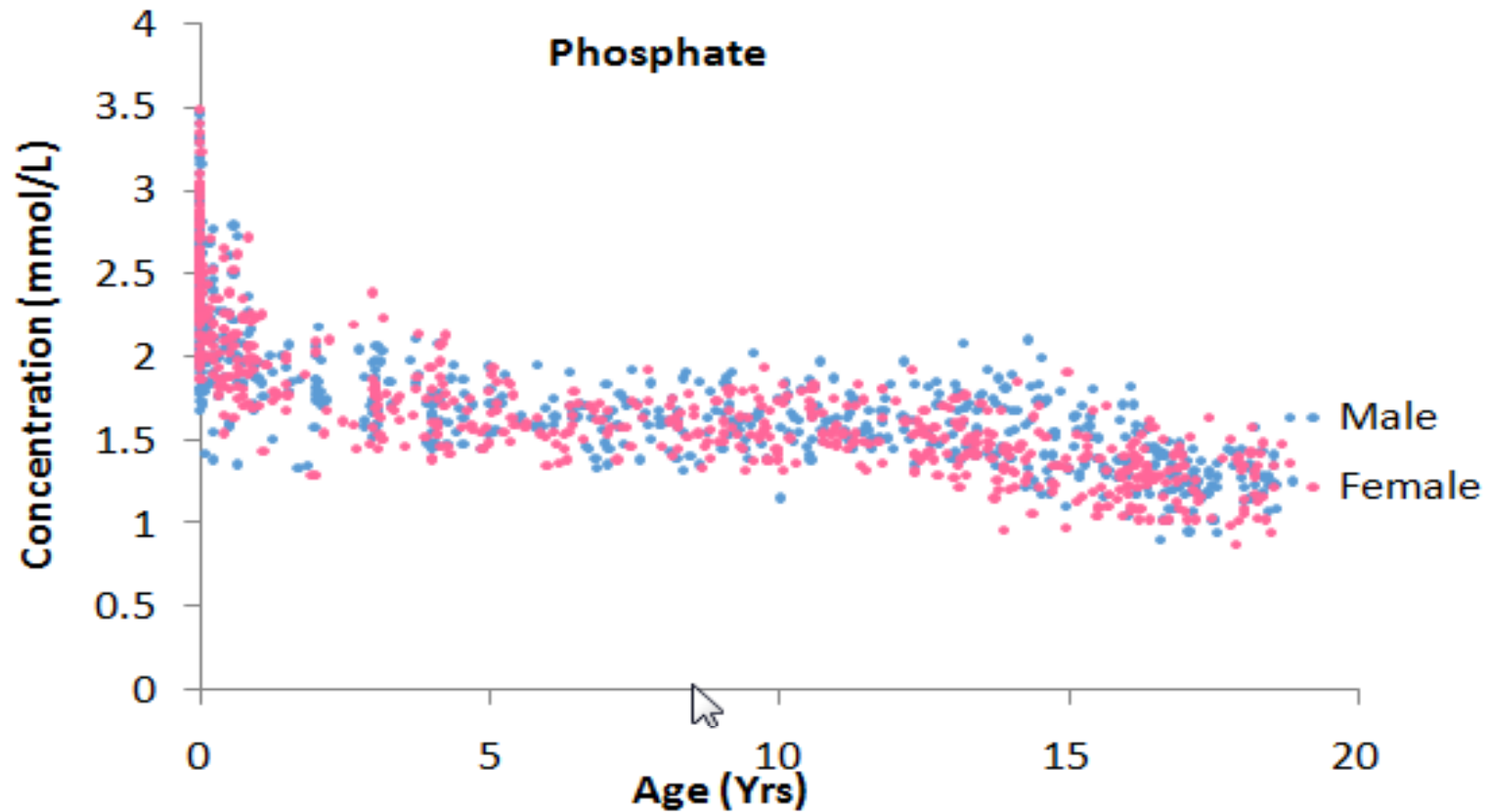
**Calcium** : 50%  $Ca_i$  (biologically active)  
 40% bound to protein  
 10% complexed with org/inorg ac  
 Régul : PTH  $\nearrow$ , vit D  $\nearrow$ , calcitonin  $\searrow$

**Phosphore** : 2/3 organic phosphorus  
 1/3 inorganic phosphorus  
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- **Calcium**
- **Phosphorus**
- **Protéines**



## Reference value for Phosphate serum concentration according to age



Colantonio & al





# Ca, P and Vit D requirements ,for preterm infants

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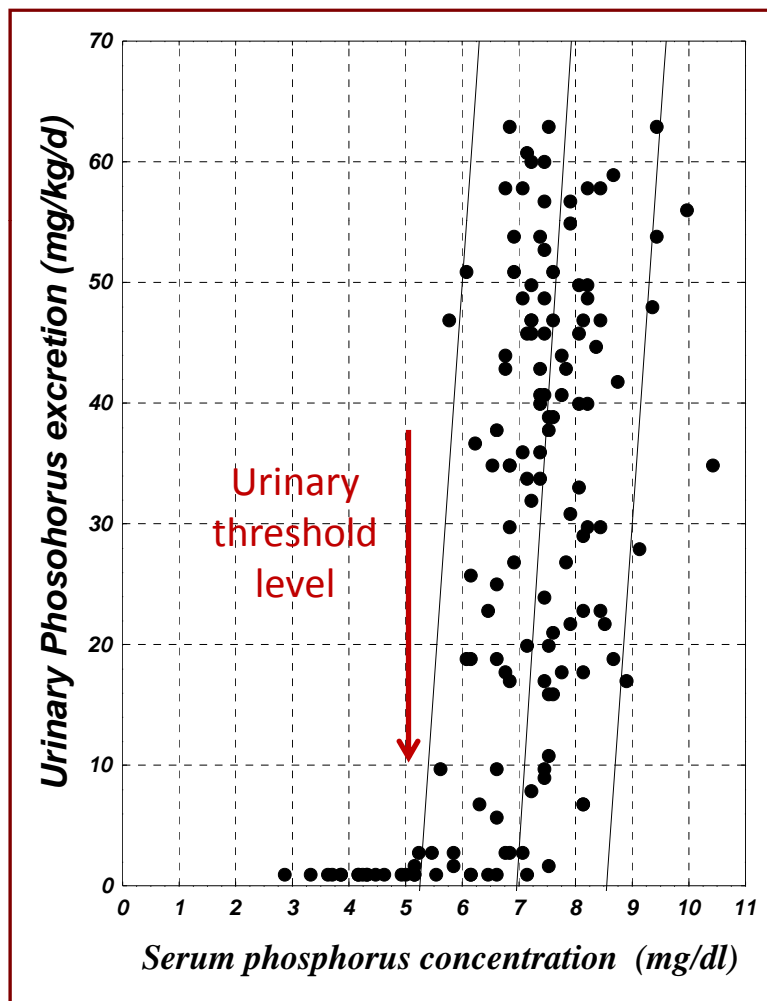
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Metabolic balances

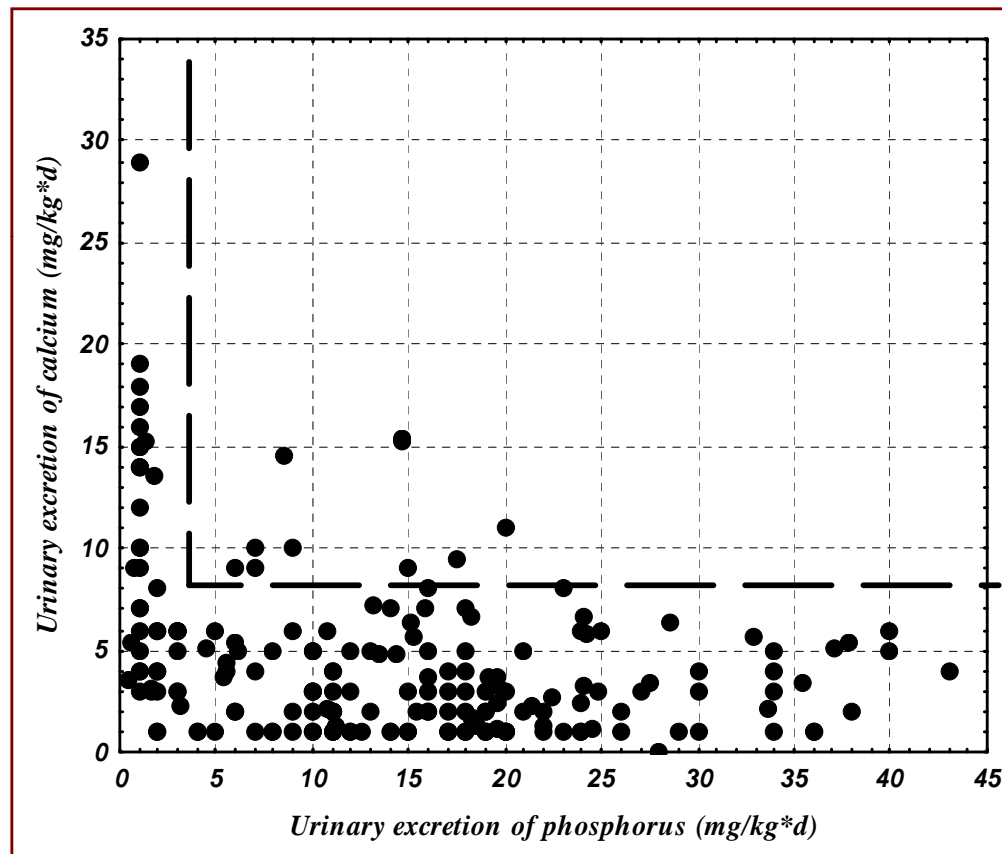
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Relationship between urinary excretion of phosphorus and serum phosphate level (n=198) in preterm infants.



Relationship between urinary excretion of calcium and urinary excretion of phosphorus in preterm infants (n=198).



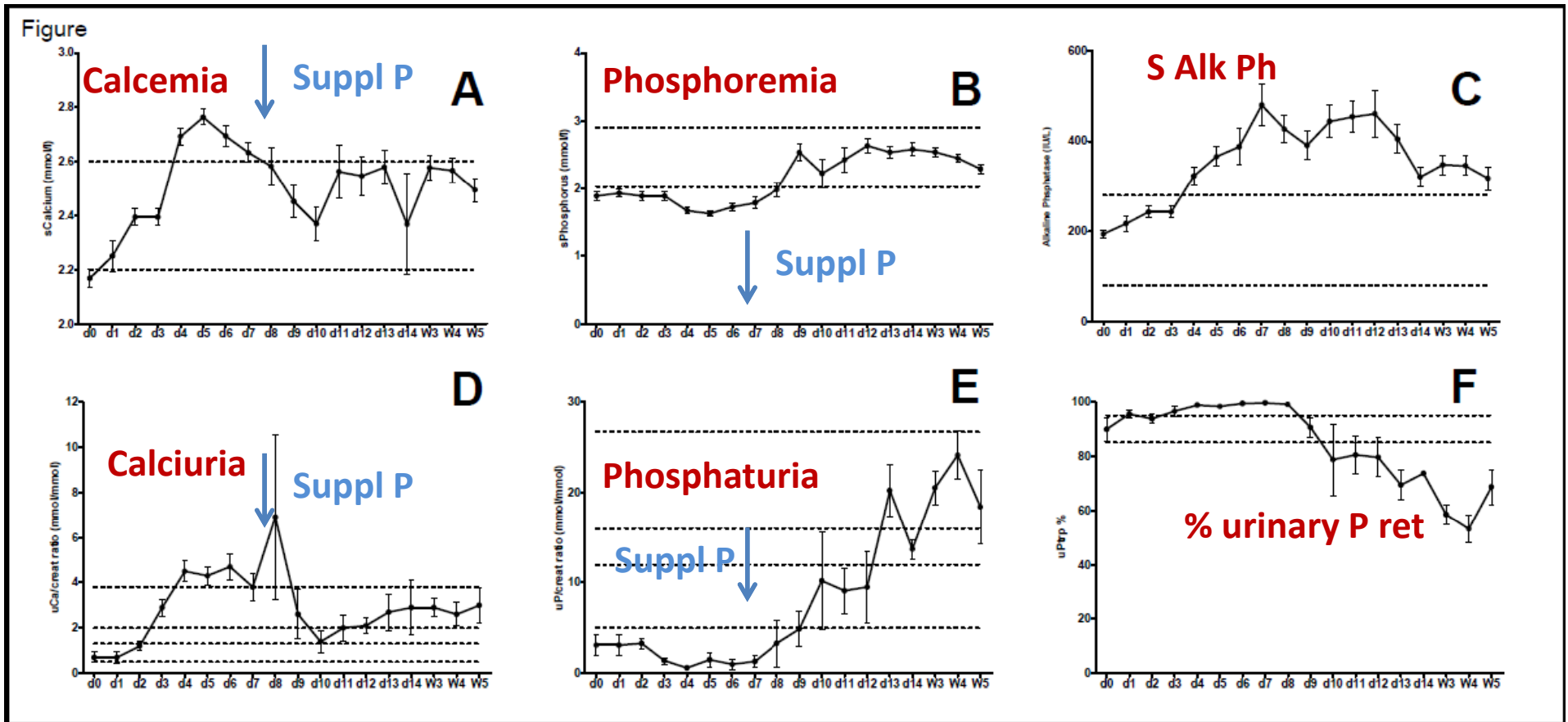
Hypercalciuria (>10 mg/kg\*d) is related to low phosphate excretion (<3mg/kg\*d). Whereas, urinary excretion of calcium below 8 mg/kg\*d is generally observed in preterm infants with a phosphorus excretion over 10-15 mg/kg\*d.



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POSTNATAL CALCIUM AND PHOSPHORUS METABOLISM IN PRETERM INFANTS RELATED TO MINERAL AND VITAMIN D INTAKE V. Christmann & al 2013 In Press

CA/P Molar ratio = 1.6





**Early hypophosphatemia in preterm infants receiving aggressive parenteral nutrition. Brener D [J Perinatol](#). 2015 Sep;35(9):712-5**

**Objective:** to evaluate the prevalence of hypophosphatemia during the first week of life in preterm infants receiving aggressive parenteral nutrition

**Method:** 61 neonates below 1250 g birth weight consecutively born at Hospital Italiano de Buenos Aires hypophosphatemia was defined as a sP <4 mg dl<sup>-1</sup>).

**Result:** hypophosphatemia was observed in 91% (CI 82-97%). The mean sP was 2.52 mg/ dl; CI 2.18-2.86 (P<0.001). Severe hypophosphatemia (<2 m/ dl) were smaller with an increase in sepsis, vasoactive drugs and mechanical ventilation.





## *Composition of the parenteral solution /100ml*

## *Metabolic balances*

- Glucose (g) 12
- AA(g) 2.7
- Na (mEq) 1.6
- K (mEq) 1.5
- Cl (mEq) 2.0
- Ca (mg) **72**
- P (mg) **55**
- Mg (mg) 4
- Zn (mg) 0.1
- Kcal 60

(mg/kg*d)	
Ca intake	100 ± 23
P intake	76 ± 18
Ca ur.	5.6 ± 4.7
P ur.	18 ± 14
Ca retention	94 ± 20 (94%)
P retention	58 ± 17 (76%)

## Parenteral nutrition

### Ca & P intakes:

- Ca and P supplies are necessary from the first day of life in VLBW infants on PN
- In parenteral solution, optimal molar Ca/P ratio is close to 1/1 or slightly<1
- Phosphorus need can be estimated from the AA and the Ca intakes provided by the parenteral solution:  
**$$P \text{ need} = Ca \text{ intake} / 2.15 + (AA \text{ intake} - 1.3) * 0.8 * 12.3$$**

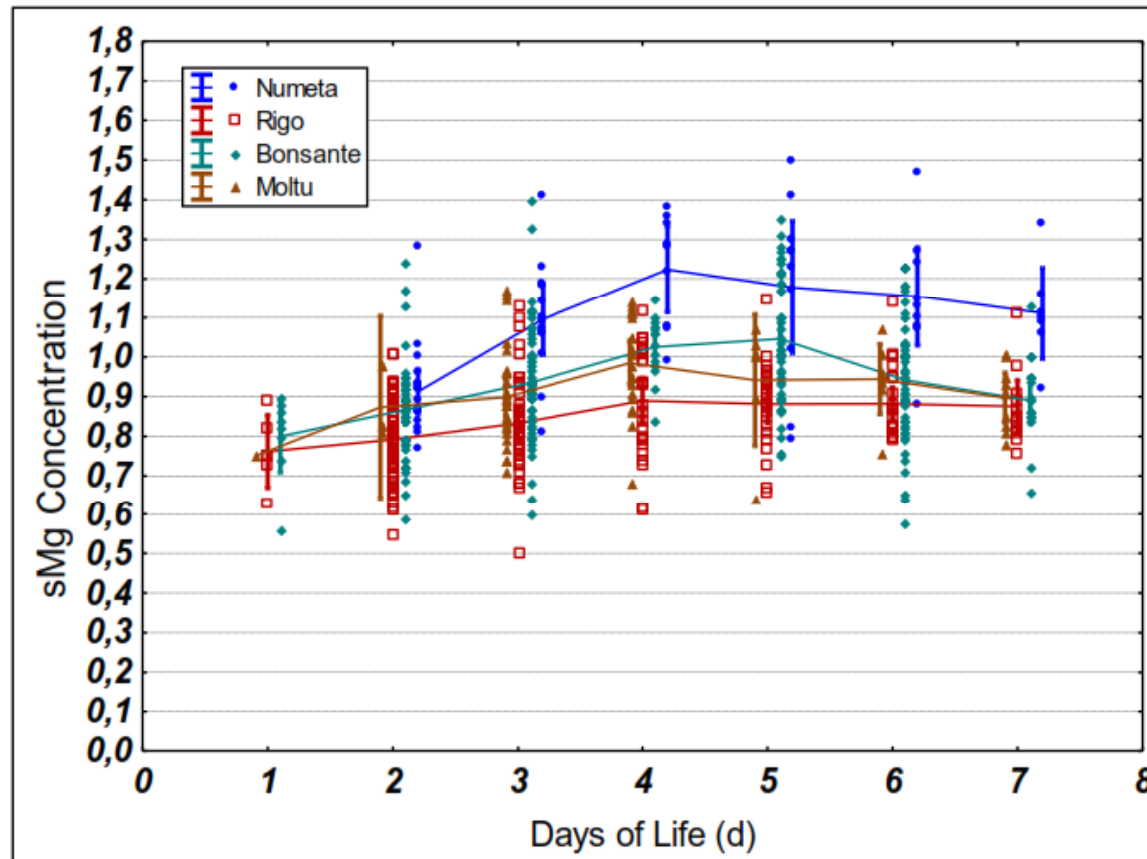
## Magnesium in parenteral nutrition in VLBW infants

1. In 2013, 14 case reports of hypermagnesemia have been reported in VLBW infants on parenteral nutrition providing a maximum Mg intake of 0.55 mmol/kg\*d, in the range of the recommended values. Serum magnesium levels in the 14 infants ranged from 1.025 to 1.5 mmol/l without any symptoms or serious adverse events. [Kreissl A JPEN 2016](#)
2. sMg were compared to adult reference levels (0.6 to 1.05 mmol/L) as preterm reference levels are not well defined.
3. Nevertheless the RTU parenteral solution was retrieve from the market. [EMA 2013](#)



## sMg levels in VLBW infants on Parenteral nutrition

Review of sMg in VLBW infants on parenteral nutrition showed that sMg concentrations were related to Mg intake, renal immaturity (sCreatinine conc, Ibuprofen or indomethacin treatment), antenatal Mg supplementation, gestational age and postnatal age.

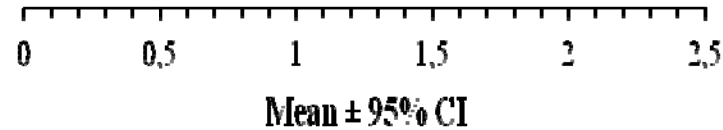
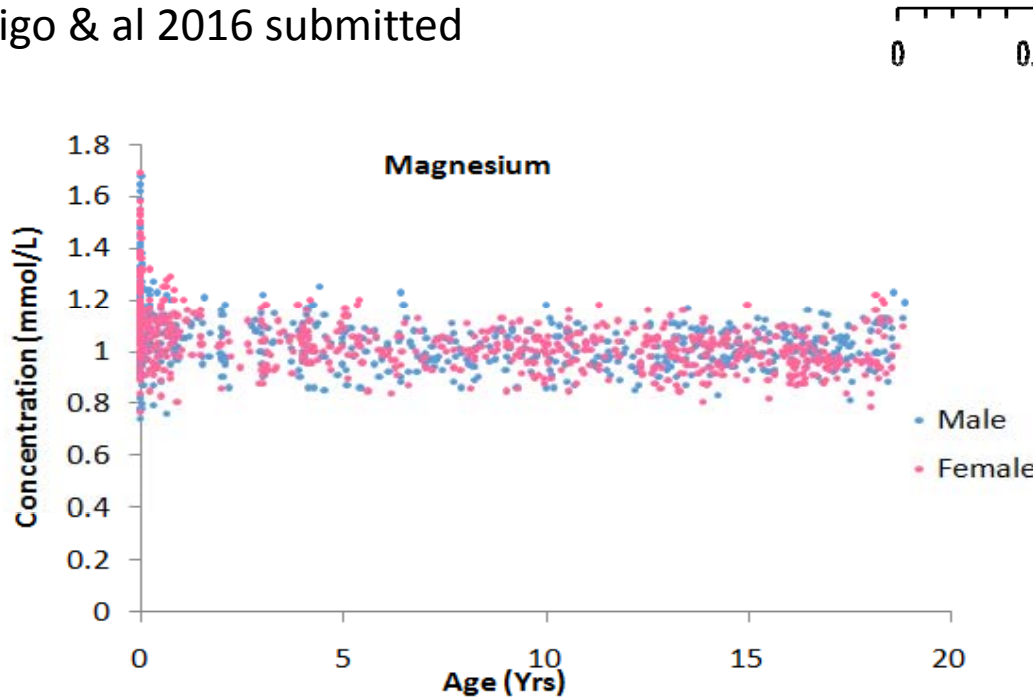


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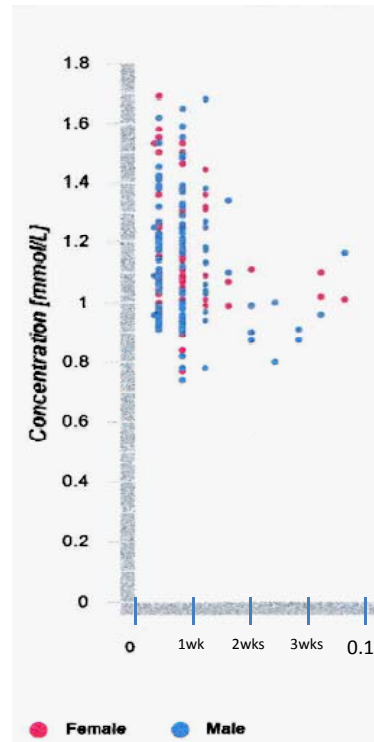
# meta-analysis of magnesium concentrations in newborns (mmol/L)

Population, <i>timing</i>	n	Estimated mean and reference interval	Mean (95% CI)
Healthy newborns without magnesium supplementation during pregnancy, <i>at birth</i>	2642		0.76 (0.52, 0.99)
Healthy newborns without magnesium supplementation during pregnancy, <i>first week</i>	928		0.87 (0.50, 1.23)
Very-low-birth-weight newborns receiving parenteral solution, <i>first week</i>	393		0.97 (0.55, 1.38)

Rigo & al 2016 submitted



Colantonio,  
Caliper study  
Clin Chem 2012



## Magnesium recommendation in PN for VLBW infants

1. Early provision of Mg is safe in Standardized PN providing a progressive intake according to volume.
2. Optimal intake range between 0.15 to 0.30 mmol/kg\*d
3. Specific reference values for preterm and neonate need to be provide by laboratories
4. sMg survey needs to be included in the biological survey of parenterally fed VLBW infants
5. Additional controls are requested in case of prenatal Mg administration, PDA treatment, transitory renal failure.



# Calcium & Phosphorus Physiology during enteral nutrition in the preterm infants

## Absorption

**Calcium :**

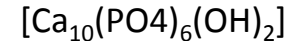
About 50-60%  
Proximal Intestin  
Vit-D, Ionisation (low pH) ↗

**Phosphore :**

About 90%  
Duod., jéjunum > iléon, colon  
Less Vit-D related

## Mineralization

As hydroxyapatite



Ca/P Ratio = 2.15

## Phosphaturia

Main mecanism of regulation.  
Related to the Renal  
Phosphorus load: >1.6 mmol/L

PTH ↗ FGF23 ↗

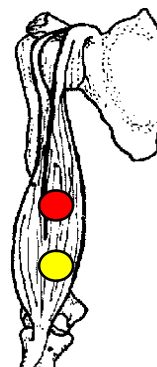
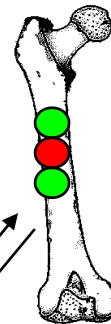
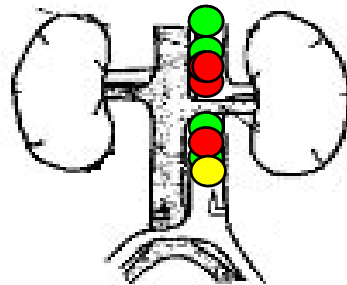
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● Calcium  
● Phosphorus  
● Protéines



Introduction	Fetal retention	<b>Metabolic balances</b>	Bone mineralisation	Conclusion
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## Calcium absorption and retention in preterm infants fed human milk without or with human milk fortifier, and preterm formulas

	HM and HMF			Preterm formulas			
<b>CALCIUM</b> (mg/kg/d)	n=36	n=22	n=23	n=31	n=37	n=27	n=20
Intake	56	86	138	81	101	135	166
Stool	21	26	56	40	47	73	103
Absorption	35	59	82	41	54	62	63
Urine	7	6	5	2	3	5	5
Retention	28	53	77	39	51	57	58
Net absorption(%)	<b>64</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>38</b>

In human milk groups, Ca absorption and retention are related to intakes by contrast to formula groups, where it reaches rapidly a plateau due to a decrease in net absorption (%).



## Phosphorus absorption and retention in preterm infants fed human milk without or with human milk fortifier, and preterm formulas

	HM and HMF			Preterm formulas			
PHOSPHORUS (mg/kg/d)	n=36	n=22	n=23	n=31	n=37	n=27	n=20
Intake	40	56	85	59	69	86	95
Stool	3	4	6	7	5	13	34
Absorption	37	52	79	53	63	73	60
Urine	8	6	19	14	18	22	9
Retention	29	46	60	38	45	51	51
Net absorption %	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>63</b>

In human milk groups, P absorption and retention are related to intakes by contrast to formula groups, where absorption and retention reaches rapidly a plateau due to a decrease in net P absorption (%).



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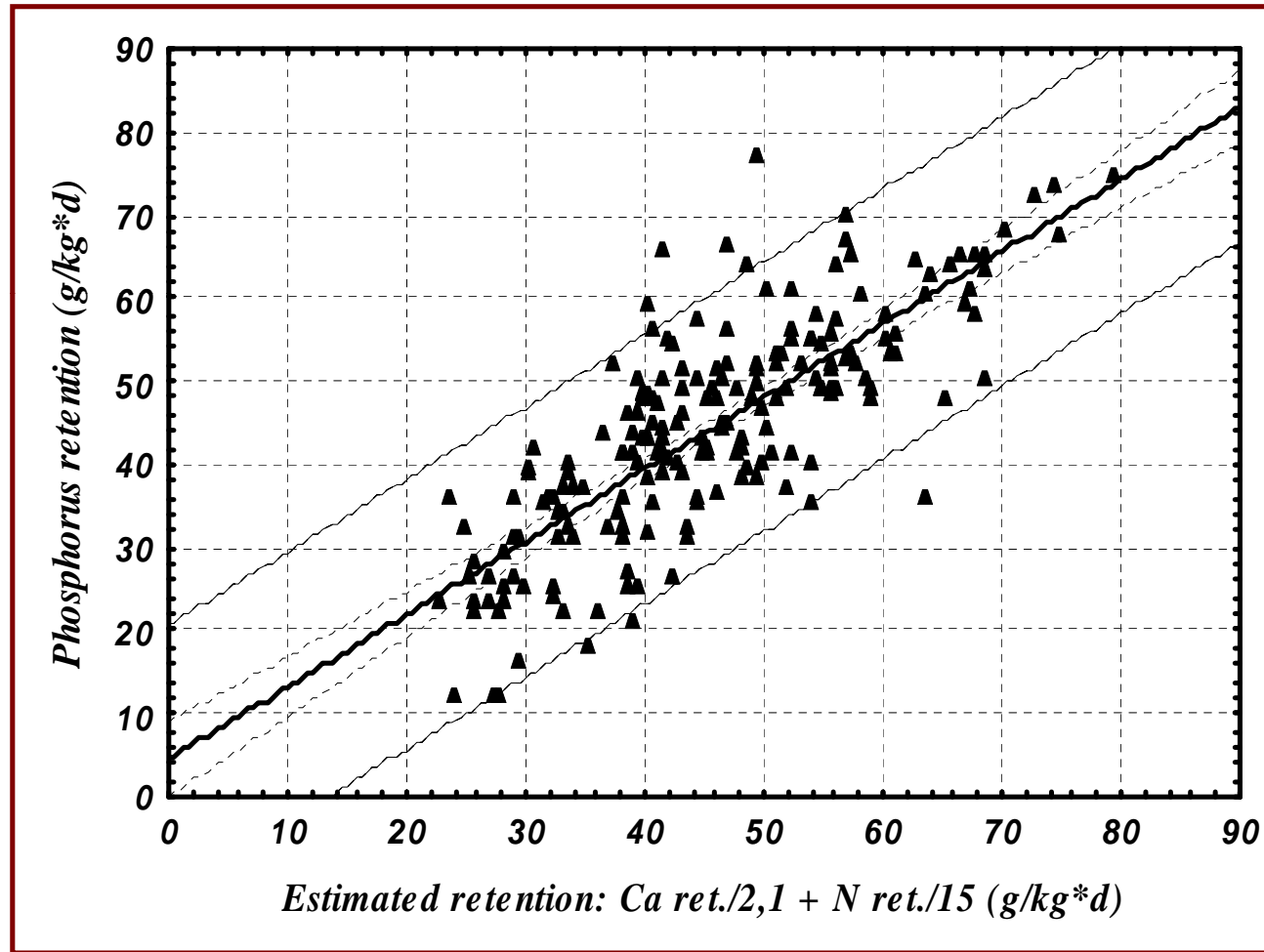
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Conclusion

*Relationship between phosphorus retention estimated from nitrogen and calcium retentions, and the results of phosphorus balances in preterm infants (n=198)*



*Phosphorus retention (g/kg\*j) = 0,87\*estimated retention (g/kg\*d) + 4,53;*  
*SD=8,1;r=0,79; p<0,00001*



## Enteral Nutrition

### Ca & P intakes:

- Optimal Ca and P intakes is firstly related to the Ca and P absorption rate
- Absorption rate is higher with HM than with PTF
- With PTF absorption rate is highly influenced by heat treatment.
- In enteral nutrition, optimal molar Ca/P ratio decrease when prot/ energy ratio increase
- In PTF with a P/E ratio of 3.6g/100 kcal a Ca content of 140 mg/100 kcal, optimal Ca/P ratio is 1.6 -1.7



## *Conclusions: Calcium*

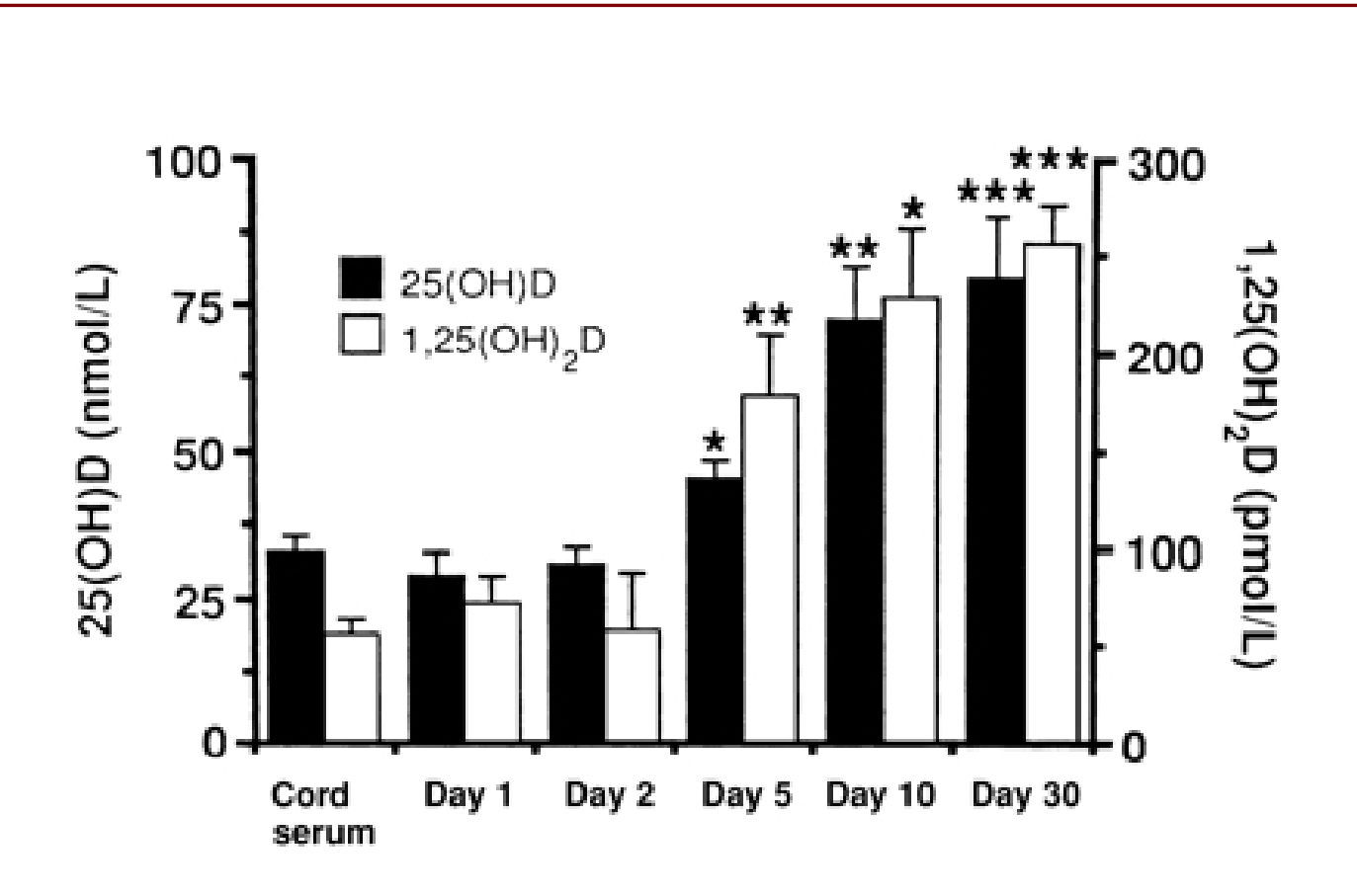
- Postnatal retention differs from the fetal accretion which could not be the gold standard for preterm infants.
- Postnatal acceleration of bone turnover could reduce the nutritional requirements.
- A métabolisable Calcium supply of 70 to 90 mg/kg\*d is safe for pretem infants (minimal osteopenia, no fracture risk).
- Highly avallable Ca salts need to be use to reduce the Ca content of formulas. High mineral supplies, increasing fecal excretion, could promote hard stool, abdominal disconform and NEC in preterm infants.
- In preterm infants, the relative osteopenia followed by a catch up of mineralization is similar to pubertal mineral changes reduction of BMD at the acceleration of growth followed by relative catch up.
- Recommendations: 70 to 90 mg, 1.75 to 2.25 mmol/kg\*d in Parenteral Nutrition.  
120 to 140 mg, 3.0 to 3.5 mmol/kg\*d in Enteral Nutrition.



## *Conclusions: Phosphorus*

- Postnatal retention differs from the fetal accretion which could not be the gold standard for preterm infants.
- Postnatal acceleration of bone turnover could reduce the nutritional requirements.
- Phosphorus supply need to cover the Ca deposition as well as the protein deposition. A small excess is necessary to control net acid excretion.
- Highly available P salts need to be use to reduce the mineral content of formula.
- Optimal CA/P ratio for formulas can't be a fixed ratio but is related to expected Ca absorption rate and nitrogen retention (protein energy ratio).
- Plasma and urinary P need to be monitored to evaluate the adequacy of P supply.

*Serum total 25-hydroxyvitamin D [25(OH)D] and 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D [1,25(OH)<sub>2</sub>D] concentrations as a function of age in 15 preterm infants*



*Birth weight: 1578 ± 78 g; gestational age: 31.7 ± 0.5 wk; vitamin D intake 1000 IU (25 µg) /d) from birth. \*, \*\*, \*\*\* Significantly different from cord serum: \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01, \*\*\*P < 0.001.*



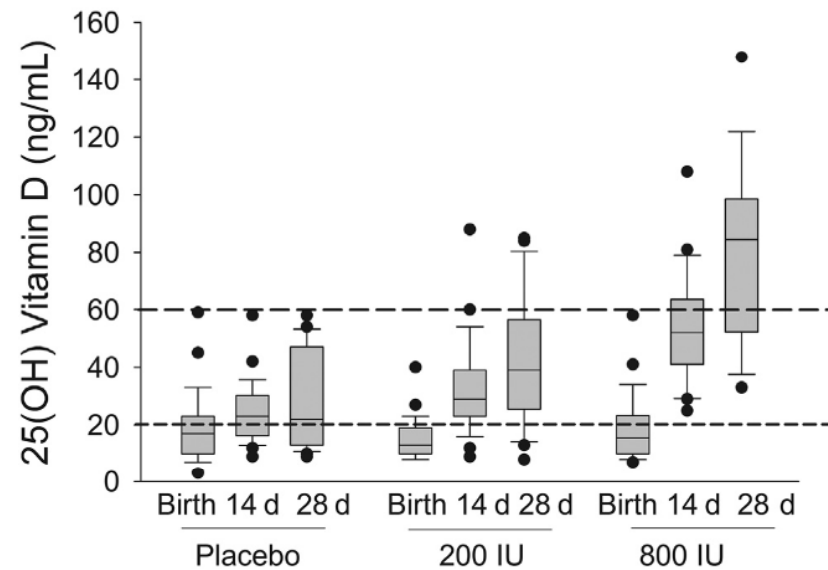


## A Comparison of 3 Vitamin D Dosing Regimens in Extremely Preterm Infants: A Randomized Controlled Trial *Fort P et al J of Pediatrics 2016;174:132-8*

**Objective :** To determine the optimal dose of vitamin D supplementation to achieve biochemical vitamin D sufficiency in extremely low gestational age newborns in a masked randomized controlled trial.

**Study design:** 100 infants <28 wks GAn were randomized to placebo (n = 36), 200 IU (n = 34), and 800 IU/d (n = 30) vit D intakes. The primary outcomes were s25OHD at d28.

**Result :** s25OHD deficient (<20 ng/mL) was 67% at birth. At d28, s25OHD deficiency (<20 ng/mL) was 41% in the placebo group, 16% in the 200 IU group, and 0% in the 800 IU group (P = .2). Median s25OHD increase according to vit D intakes and PNA



There was no evidence of biochemical or clinical over toxicity in the 800 IU group. By contrast, a trend toward fewer infants with late onset sepsis, on oxygen at 28 days or receiving steroids for BPD were observed. Suggesting the need for additional studies



## *Conclusions: Vitamin D*

- Vitamin D deficiency is frequently observed in mother during gestation and in the cord blood.
- Vitamin D status could play a significant role in fetal bone mineralization.
- Vitamin D has also several non-calcitropic functions which could be beneficial for preterm infants.
- A daily supply of 200 to 400 IU appears to be limited to restore optimal plasma concentration in preterm and late preterm infants.
- By contrast, a daily supply of 800 to 1000 IU improves the plasma concentration without adverse effects.
- Further studies are request to evaluate the vitamin D status according to intakes in ELBW infants during the first 3 months of life, and the potential role of non-calcitropic functions of Vit D in VLBW infants



## Basis of the ESPGHAN revised recommendations for mineral requirements

1. Previous recommendations are based on fetal mineral accretion.
2. Physiological changes in bone metabolism at birth, with a stimulation of the remodeling process inducing a spontaneous reduction in bone mineral density.
3. Mineral balances show limited absorptive capability of the gastrointestinal track in preterm infants.
4. Improvement in Ca bioavailability reduce fecal Ca excretion, increase Ca retention and abolish spontaneous fracture.
5. Spontaneous early catch up of mineralization during the first months of life.



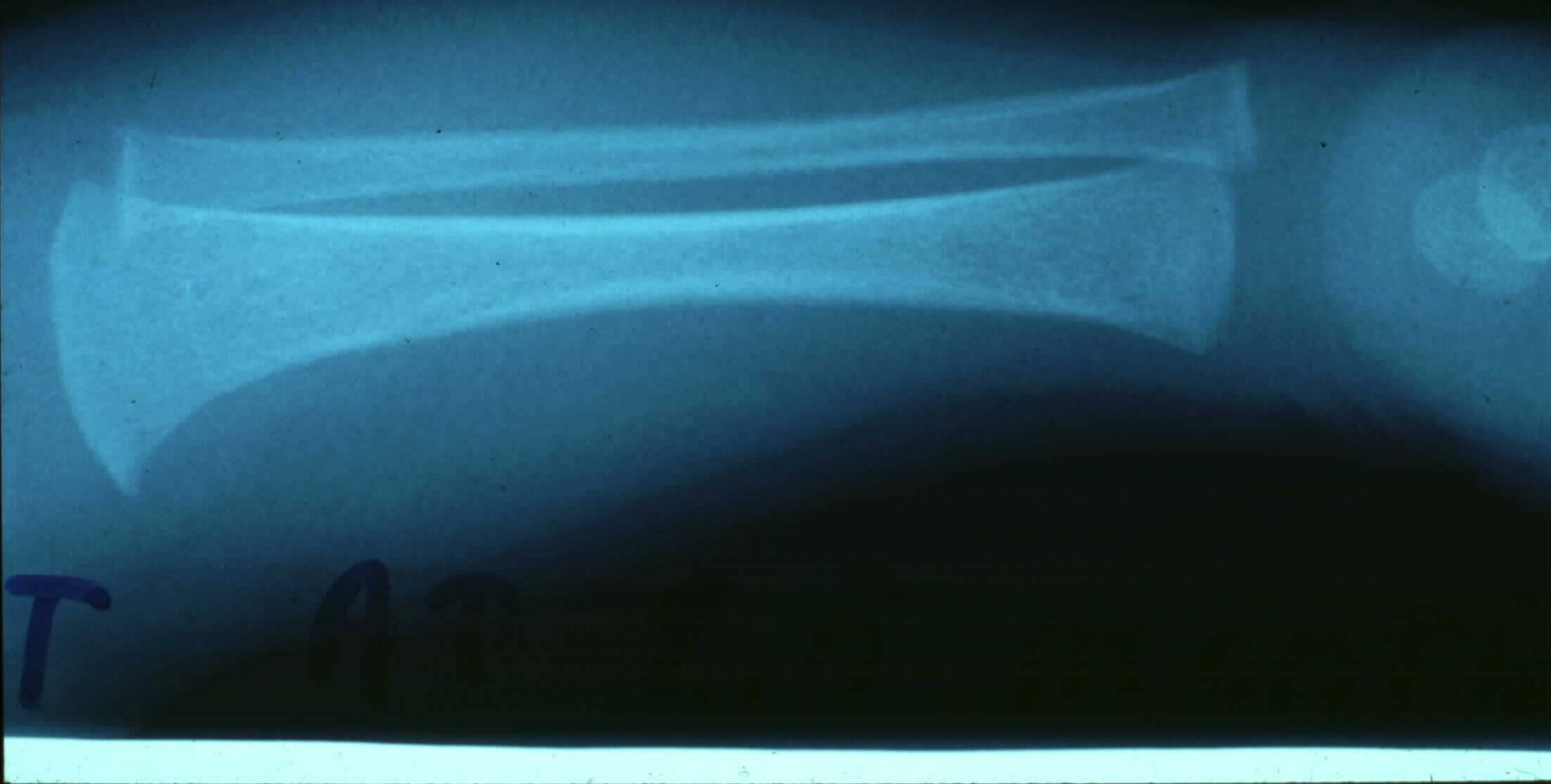
## Calcium, phosphorus et vitamin D requirements

	ESPGHAN 2010		Tsang 2005	Klein 2002	ESPGHAN 1987
	/kg/j	/100 kcal	/100 kcal	/100 kcal	/100 kcal
Ca (mg)				123-185	70-140
- ELBW	120-140	110-130	77-200		
- VLBW			67-169		
P (mg)				82-109	55-80
- ELBW	60-90	55-80	46-127		
- VLBW			40-108		
Vit D (IU/j)	800-1000				
- LBW(IU/100 kcal)			115-364		
- VLBW			100-308		

Considering that a calcium retention level ranging from 60 to 90 mg \*kg<sup>-1</sup> \*day<sup>-1</sup> ensures appropriate mineralization and decreases the risk of fracture, an intake from 120 to 140mg \*kg<sup>-1</sup>\*day<sup>-1</sup> (110–130 mg/100 kcal) of highly bioavailable calcium salts and 60 to 90mg kg<sup>1</sup> day<sup>1</sup> (55–80 mg/100 kcal) of phosphate is recommended. ESPGHAN 2010



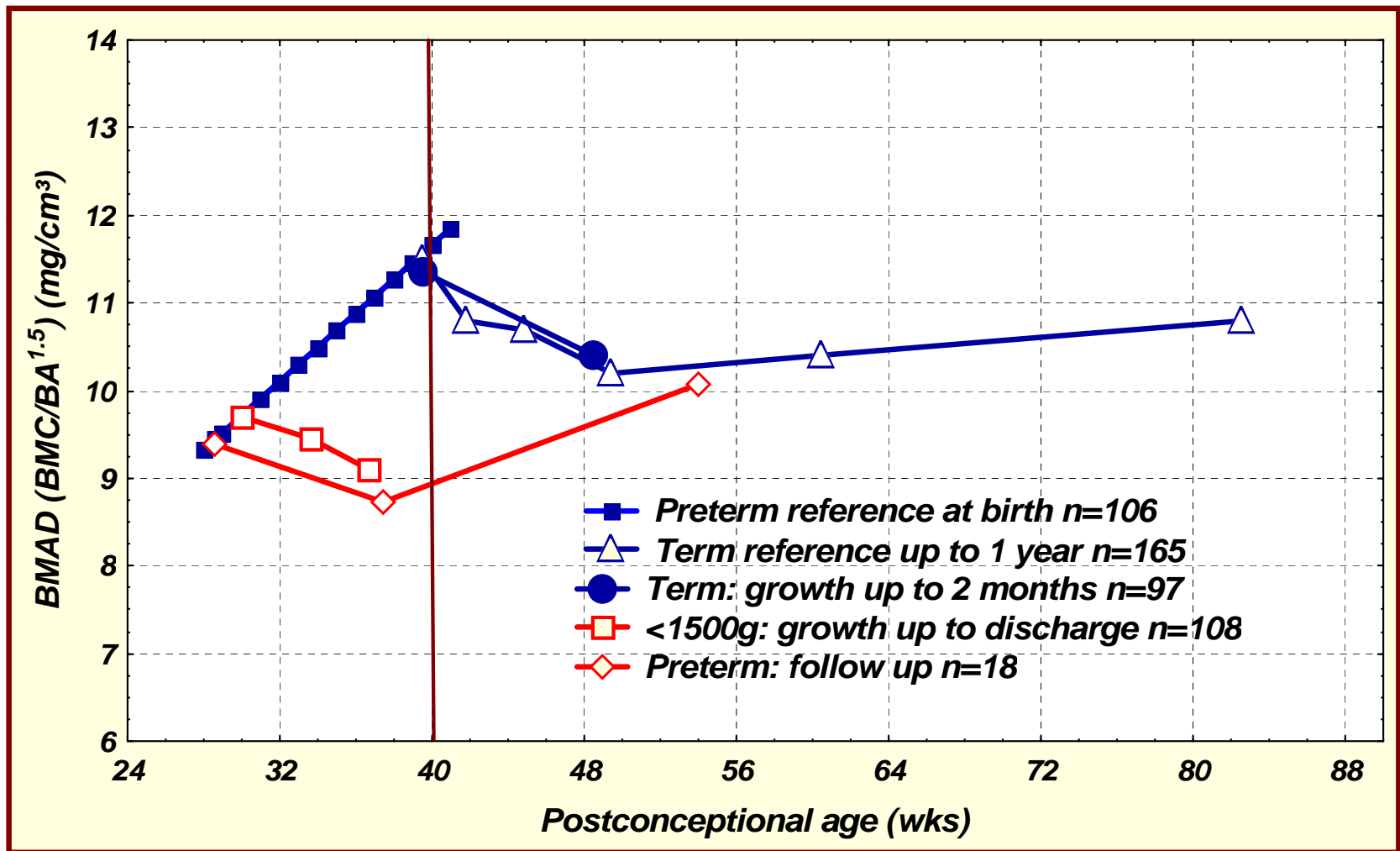
# Bone demineralization at discharge





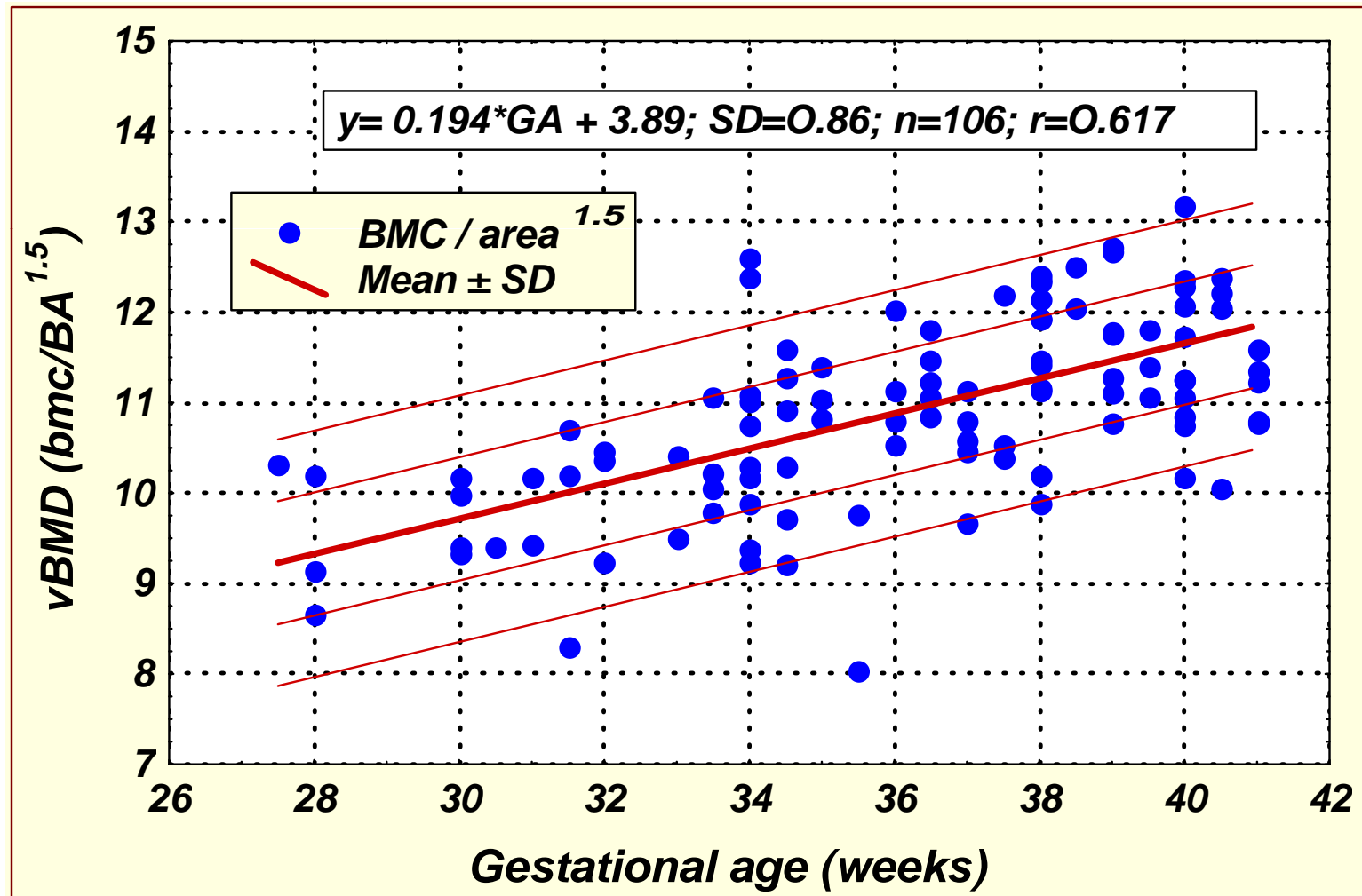
# Ca, P and Vit D requirements ,for preterm infants

Pre- & postnatal time course of volumetric bone mineral density (BMAD) with DEXA (713 measurements in 494 infants; Rigo J 2005)



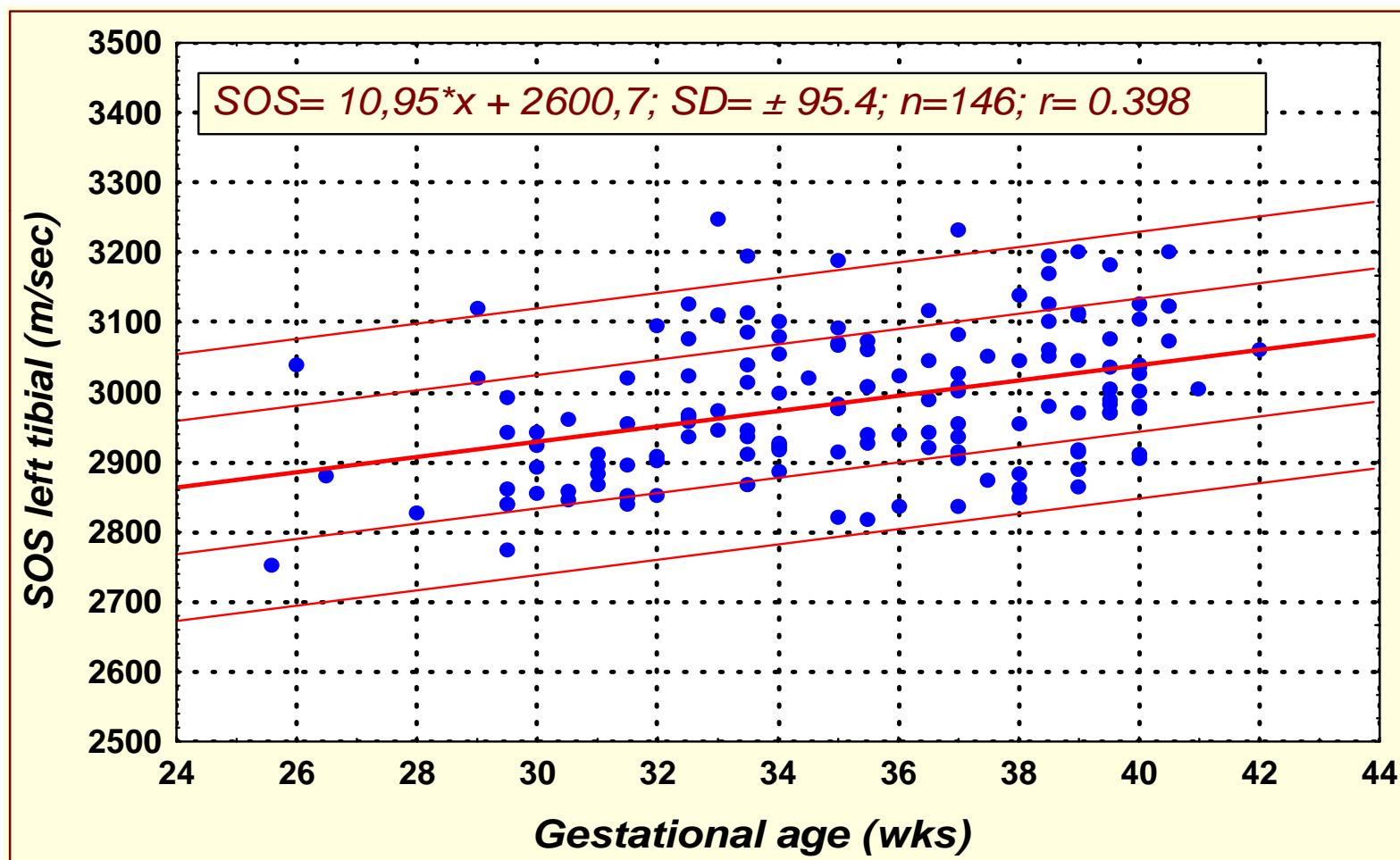


## Relationship between DEXA vBMD and gestational age





## *Relationship between SOS and gestational age*

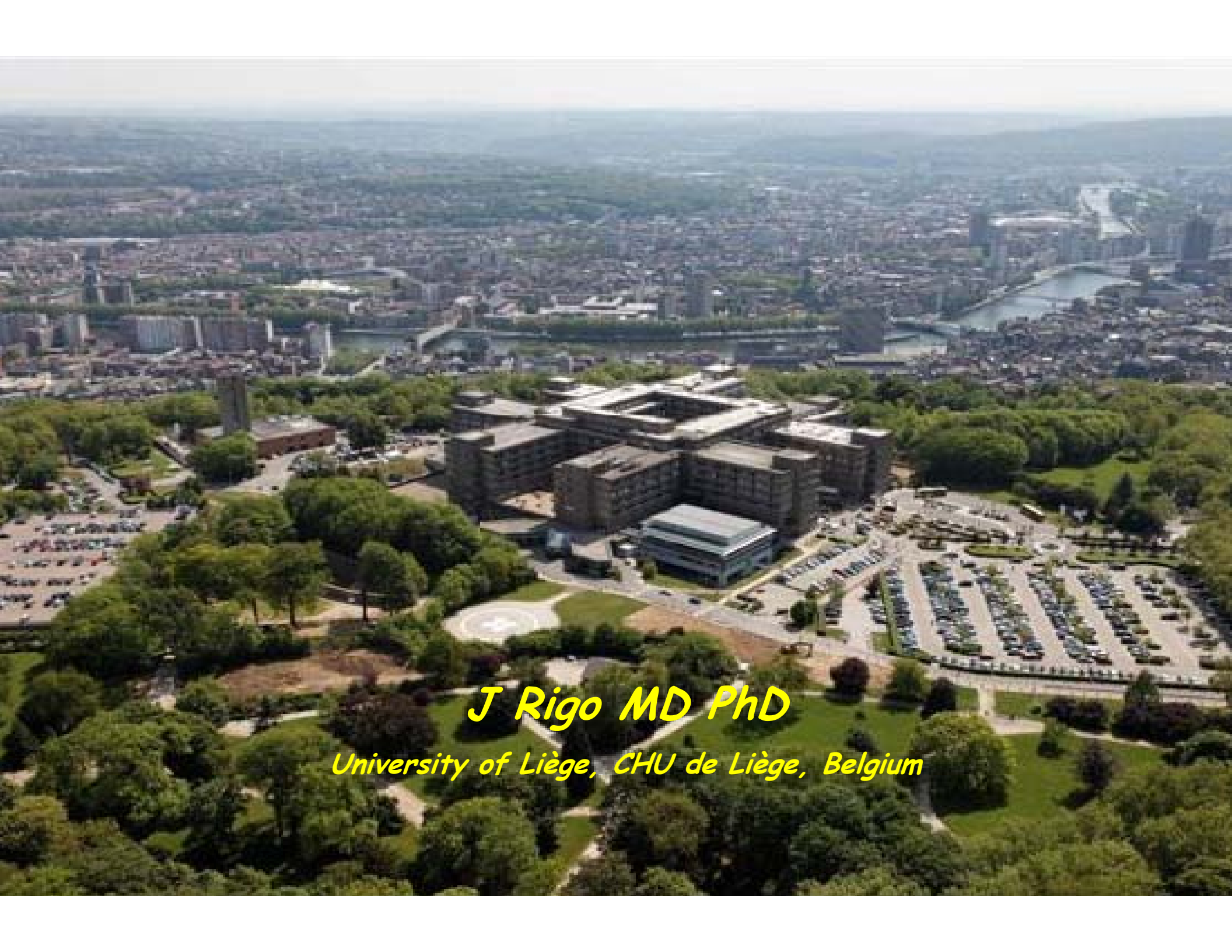




A cartoon illustration of a cavewoman with a large, bushy black beard and hair. She is wearing a yellow and black leopard-print tunic. She is holding a large, yellow bone horizontally in her mouth. The text "Thank you for your attention" is written across the bone in a red, sans-serif font. The background shows a simple landscape with a green hill and two black silhouettes of dinosaurs in the distance.

Thank you for your attention





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# Neonatal Ca P Disorders

hypocalcemia -Early: related to Ca intake → provide Ca from the first day  
-Late: related to Vit D deficiency, not to PTH deficiency → provide Vit D + Ca from the first day

Hypercalcemia: related to P deficiency → provide P from the first day, adapt Ca/P ratio

Hypophosphatemia: TrP > 95%, related to P deficiency → provide P from the first day, adapt Ca/P ratio

Preterm osteopenia – light: relative physiological phenomena in relation to postnatal adaptation  
– severe with risk of fracture: inadaptation of the Ca, P and Vit D intake. Prevented by actual parenteral and enteral recommendation



# Interval references of sP conc in newborn infants

