

A New Clinical Presentation of Primary Hyperparathyroidism



Normocalcemic Primary Hyperparathyroidism ("Form Fruste" of an old disease)

Silverberg & Bilezikian et al. J Clin Endocrinol Metab 2003



"Normocalcemic PHPT"



First coined by Wills et al. (1969)

Wills MR, Pak CY, Hammond WG, Bartter FC. Normocalcemic primary hyperparathyroidism. Am J Med. <u>1969</u>;47(3):384-91

- Cited mutiple series from 1950's
- >Mainly in patients with severe & recurrent renal stones disease
- Series obtained from "stone" clinics
- Patients were often intermittently hypercalcemic (which is typical of modern PHPT)



Normocalcemic PHPT Definition



- The total serum calcium is normal, virtually "all the time"
- The ionized serum calcium is also normal

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Patients with osteoporosis who had PTx 15/64 had "normocalcemic hyperparathyroidism"

- Only six had persistent normal serum calcium
- Ionized calcium elevated in 95% of values in these patients



Patients who had PTx

- 39/60 had "normocalcemic hyperparathyroidism"
 - Only 16 had normal ionized serum calcium

- Ionized calcium elevated in 41% of values in these patients







Any secondary causes for elevated PTH

- Vitamin D insufficiency (25-hydroxyvitamin D < 30 ng/ml)
- Renal insufficiency (GFR <60 ml/min)</p>
- Medications that could alter calcium homeostasis

Hypercalciuria

Any other known metabolic bone disease

Prevalence of Vitamin D Insufficiency in an Adult Normal Population

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Fig. 1. Relationship between serum intact parathyroid hormone (iPTH) and 25-hydroxyvitamin D (25(OH)D) values in the whole population studied. For a 25(OH)D concentration higher than 78 nmol/1 (31 ng/ml), there is a plateau level at 36 pg/ml for iPTH. When 25(OH)D values are lower than 78 nmol/1 (31 ng/ml), the serum iPTH values begin to increase.

Osteoporos Int 1997





These studies are confounded by the <u>lack of any prospective data</u> that would track an individual's PTH level as the 25hydroxyvitamin D levels is increased from 20 to 30 ng/mL.

Example:

Individual with a "normal" PTH level of 40 pg/mL when the 25-hydoxyvitamin D level is 20 ng/mL might show reduction to a PTH level 25 pg/mL when the 25- hydroxyvitamin D level is raised to 30 ng/mL.

^a UL indicates level above which there is risk of adverse events. The UL is not intended as a target intake (no consistent evidence of greater benefit at intake levels above the RDA).

^b Measures of serum 250HD levels corresponding to the RDA and covering the requirements of at least 97.5% of the population.

^c Reflects AI reference value rather than RDA. RDAs have not been established for infants.



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To be confident in the diagnosis of normocalcemic primary hyperparathyroidism, it would seem advisable to:

Ensure that the 25-hydroxyvitamin D level is greater than 30 ng/ml

Normocalcemic pts with high PTH levels will become hypercalcemic when 25- hydroxyvitamin D levels are raised to higher than 30 ng/ml

The correct diagnosis is **traditional hypercalcemic primary hyperparathyroidism** that is <u>masked by the vitamin D deficiency</u>





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Relationship between PTH and creatinine clearance PTH rises out of the normal range until the creatinine clearance fell to less than 60 ml/min



Fajtova et al. Calcif Tissue Int 1995



GFR <60 ml is associated with increased parameters of bone resorption



TABLE 4. Histomorphometry by renal function			
	GFR <60 (n = 5)	GFR ≥60 (n = 25)	<i>P</i> value
Structural indices			
Cortical width (µm)	695 ± 184	626 ± 209	0.51
Cancellous bone volume (%; BV/TV)	22.1 ± 6.2	23.2 ± 7.0	0.75
Trabecular number (1/mm)	1.82 ± 0.23	1.93 ± 0.42	0.61
Trabecular separation (µm)	435 ± 92	424 ± 134	0.88
Trabecular width (µm)	121 ± 35	119 ± 25	0.89
Remodeling indices			
Osteoid surface (%) Osteoid width (no.	25.2 ± 12.7 13.3 ± 1.3	29.3 ± 12.6 13.5 ± 3.1	0.52 0.88
Mineralization lag time (d)	34 ± 14	50 ± 34	0.59
Mineralizing surface (%)	19.0 ± 11.3	19.3 ± 10.3	0.95
Mineral apposition rate (µm/d)	0.65 ± 0.09	0.63 ± 0.12	0.69
Bone formation rate (µm ³ /µm ² · d)	0.13 ± 0.09	0.11 ± 0.06	0.63
Eroded surface (%) Activation frequency (cycles/yr)	$\begin{array}{c} 12.0 \pm 4.2 \\ 0.62 \pm 0.15 \end{array}$	8.3 ± 2.7 1.07 ± 0.62	0.02ª 0.25



Values represent mean ± sp. BV/TV, Bone volume/tissue volume.

^a Statistically significant when controlling for multiple comparisons.

Walker et al. J Clin Endocrinol Metab, 2012





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Thiazide-induced Parathyroid Stimulation

By JACK R. PICKLEMAN, FRANCIS H. STRAUS II, MARVIN FORLAND AND EDWARD PALOYAN



METABOLISM, VOL. 18, NO. 10 (OCTOBER) 1969

Serum Ca and P in dogs on increasing doses of HCT



Parathyroid from thiazide-fed dog Note area of less dense cells at the top



Bulging, granular cytoplasm and vacuolar change





Lithium Treatment Increases Intact and Midregion Parathyroid Hormone and Parathyroid Volume*



LAWRENCE E. MALLETTE, KHALIL KHOURI, HIRAM ZENGOTITA, BRUCE W. HOLLIS, AND SRINI MALINI

J Clin Endocrinol Metab 68: 654, 1989

Long term lithium treatment increases circulating PTH and causes parathyroid enlargement







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Evidence for Secondary Hyperparathyroidism in Idiopathic Hypercalciuria



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Gastrointestinal disorders associated with calcium malabsorption



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Role of calcium malabsorption in the development of secondary hyperparathyroidism after biliopancreatic diversion

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Bone Loss in Celiac Disease Is Related to Secondary Hyperparathyroidism*

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