

Chronic Kidney Disease needs Vitamin D - many studies

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Low vitamin D causes many health problems, such as weak bones

Want to have good Vitamin D levels to prevent CKD from causing other health problems

Higher vitamin D levels can treat CKD [50 ng](#) [80 ng](#)

[Monthly dosing appears better than daily for CKD](#) and many other health problems

[CKD also decreases Vitamin K2-7](#)

Form of vitamin D to be used; normal, [Calcitriol](#), or synthetic

Non-oral form is often better for CKD ([topical](#), [emulsion swished in mouth](#), [patch cream](#), etc)

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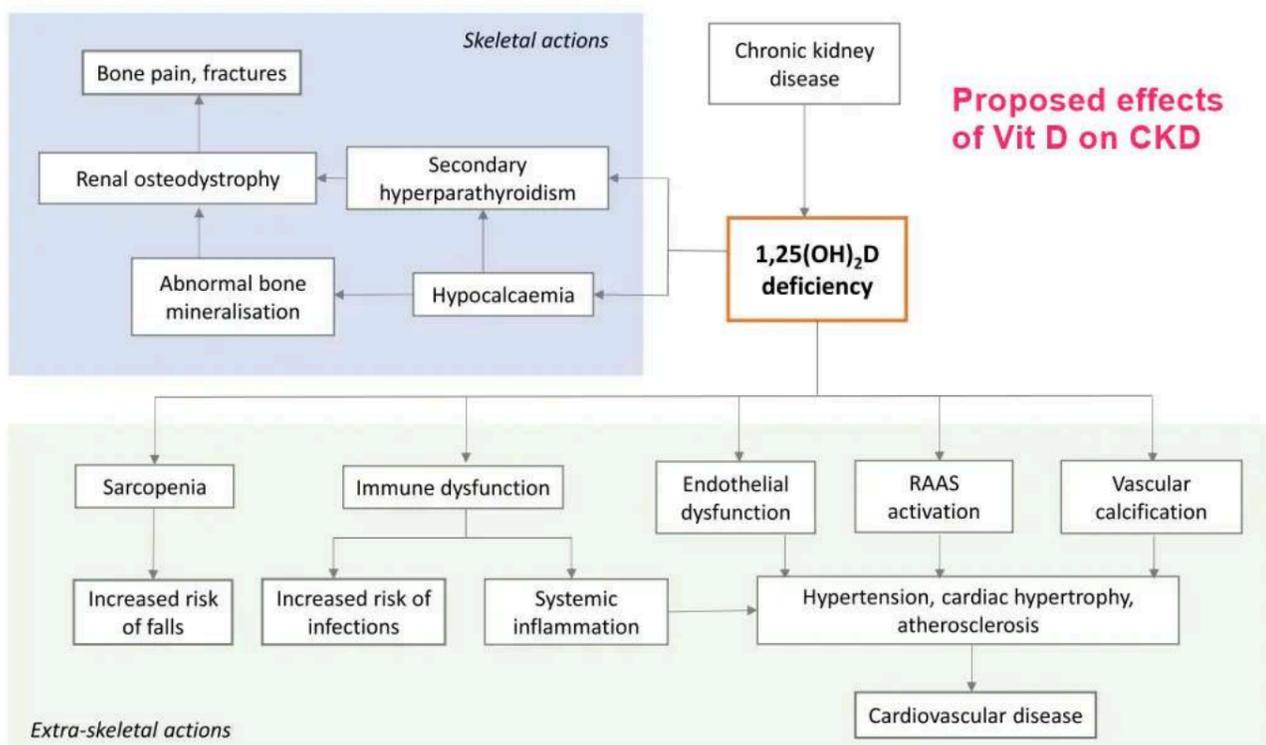
Vitamin D therapy in chronic kidney disease: a critical appraisal of clinical trial evidence - Aug 2024

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In people with chronic kidney disease (CKD), the physiology of vitamin D is altered and leads to abnormalities in bone and mineral metabolism which contribute to CKD mineral and bone disorder (CKD-MBD). Observational studies show an association between vitamin D deficiency and increased risk of mortality, cardiovascular disease and fracture in CKD. Although vitamin D therapy is widely prescribed in people with CKD, clinical trials to date have failed to demonstrate a clear benefit of either nutritional vitamin D supplementation or active vitamin D therapy in improving clinical outcomes in CKD. This review provides an updated critical analysis of recent trial evidence on vitamin D therapy in people with CKD.

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Vitamin D and Chronic Kidney Disease Association with Mineral and Bone Disorder: An Appraisal of Tangled Guidelines

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Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is a highly prevalent condition worldwide in which the kidneys lose many abilities, such as the regulation of vitamin D (VD) metabolism. Moreover, people with CKD are at a higher risk of multifactorial VD deficiency, which has been extensively associated with poor outcomes, including bone disease, cardiovascular disease, and higher mortality. Evidence is abundant in terms of the association of negative outcomes with low levels of VD, but recent studies have lowered previous high expectations regarding the beneficial effects of VD supplementation in the general population. Although controversies still exist, the diagnosis and treatment of VD have not been excluded from nephrology guidelines, and much data still supports VD supplementation in CKD patients. In this narrative review, we briefly summarize evolving controversies and useful clinical approaches, underscoring that the adverse effects of VD derivatives must be balanced against the need for effective prevention of progressive and severe secondary hyperparathyroidism. Guidelines vary, but there seems to be general agreement that VD deficiency should be avoided in CKD patients, and it is likely that one should not wait until severe SHPT is present before cautiously starting VD derivatives. Furthermore, it is emphasized that the goal should not be the complete normalization of parathyroid hormone (PTH) levels. New developments may help us to better define optimal VD and PTH at different CKD stages, but large trials are still needed to confirm that VD and precise control of these and other CKD-MBD biomarkers are unequivocally related to improved hard outcomes in this population,

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Vitamin D supplementation in people with CKD

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Vitamin D supplements have long been advocated for people with chronic kidney disease (CKD) based on data from observational studies among the general population and also people with CKD. These data consistently suggested that higher circulating concentrations of 25-hydroxyvitamin D are associated with improved fracture, cardiovascular, cancer, and mortality outcomes. In the last few years, large clinical trials have been conducted to assess the effects of vitamin D supplements on a range of clinically relevant outcomes. Most of these studies were performed in the general population but also enrolled people with CKD.

Virtually all these trials were negative and contradicted the observational data. In this review, the key observational data and clinical trials are summarized and potential explanations for the discrepancies between these studies are discussed.

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How Much Vitamin D does CKD need: 50 ng, 80 ng?

- [Need at least 80 ng of vitamin D if have chronic kidney disease – May 2012](#)
- [More than 30 ng of vitamin D is sometimes needed \(Kidney needs 50 ng\) – March 2019](#)
- See also: [Is 50 ng of vitamin D too high, just right, or not enough](#)

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| Calcitriol (active Vitamin D) prevents and treats COVID (with Chronic Kidney Disease in this case) June 2022 | 05 Jul, 2022 |
| Vitamin D treatment of Chronic Kidney Disease: monthly better than daily – RCT May 2022 | 10 Jun, 2022 |
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| 50 percent of Chronic Kidney Disease treatments in Germany include vitamin D – Dec 2012 | 13 Jul, 2017 |
| Chronic Kidney disease in 20 percent of seniors in Taiwan – April 2017 | 30 Apr, 2017 |
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| Chronic Kidney Disease not treated by 1400 IU of vitamin D – Nov 2015 | 20 Nov, 2015 |
| Chronic kidney with low vitamin D: 90 percent of pediatric nephrologists now recommend more D – Feb 2013 | 27 Oct, 2015 |
| Time-release form of active vitamin D granted a patent for chronic kidney disease – July 2014 | 26 Jul, 2015 |
| Active vitamin D treats Chronic Kidney Disease by stimulating Klotho production – Dec 2012 | 26 Jul, 2015 |
| Vitamin D and chronic kidney disease – July 2014 | 18 Dec, 2014 |
| Chronic Kidney Disease reduced with 3600 IU vitamin D (50000 twice a month)– RCT Aug 2012 | 11 Jun, 2014 |
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| Use of vitamin D in chronic kidney disease patients. – May 2010 | 07 Aug, 2011 |
| 33 percent more likely to die of chronic kidney disease if less than 15 ng vitamin D – Aug 2011 | 07 Aug, 2011 |
| Heart problems 5X worse for chronic kidney patients low on vitamin D – Mar 2011 | 08 Mar, 2011 |
| Chronic Kidney disease and vitamin D deficiency – Jan 2011 | 08 Jan, 2011 |
| Meta-analysis finds vitamin D helps chronic kidney disease – Sept 2010 | 06 Oct, 2010 |
| Therapeutic window for vitamin D and chronic kidney disease | 24 Apr, 2010 |

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Overview Kidney and vitamin D contains

- **FACT:** The Kidneys are not the primary way to activate vitamin D; the tissues are
- **FACT:** When the Kidney has problems, there is less active vitamin D (Calcitriol) for the body
- **FACT:** When the Kidney has problems, there is increased death due to many factors - many of which are associated with lack of Calcitriol
- **FACT:** There are many ongoing intervention clinical trials trying to determine how much of what kind of vitamin D is needed to treat the problem
- **FACT:** [One Randomized Controlled Trial has proven that Vitamin D treats CKD](#)
- **FACT:** [38% of seniors have Chronic Kidney Disease and most are unaware of it](#) CDC statistics 2020
- **FACT:** Taking extra Vitamin D, in various forms, does not cause health problems - even if poor kidney
- **Suggestion:** Increase vitamin D getting into body now - and increase co-factors so that the vitamin D can be better used
Sun, UV lamp, Vitamin D supplement - probably > 5,000 IU,
[Nanoemulsion vitamin D](#) (inside cheek, topically) gets activated Vitamin D to the cells without the need for healthy kidney, liver, or intestine
Calcitriol - which bypasses the need for the kidney to activate vitamin D
Problems with Calcitriol however: typically only lasts for a few hours, also, possible complications
Update: [Pre-cursor of active vitamin D made from plants is better than calcitriol – Sept 2012](#)
- [Category Kidney and Vitamin D contains 233 items](#)

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- [Calcitriol \(active Vitamin D\) prevents and treats COVID \(with Chronic Kidney Disease in this case\) June 2022](#)
- [Fully-activated Vitamin D \(Calcitriol\) is produced inside and outside of the kidneys – July 2020](#)
- [Kidney patients who happened to be getting high-dose Calcitriol were 9X less likely to die of COVID-19 - April 6, 2021](#)
- [Chronic Kidney Disease \(stage 3\) slowed by 30 ng of Vitamin D and Calcitriol – Dec 2019](#)
- [Vitamin D for kidney disease – use native or active form – Jan 2016](#)
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- [Magnesium reduced calcitriol \(active vitamin D\) artery calcification in CKD by 50 percent – Oct 2015](#)
- [Not as much active vitamin D if poor kidney function and low vitamin D – March 2015](#)
- [Calcitriol \(active Vitamin D\) recommended after kidney transplant – March 2014](#)
- [Kidney disease helped by active or high dose Vitamin D - Feb 2014](#)
- [Chronic Kidney Disease study not aware of appropriate forms of vitamin D – March 2014](#)
- [Time-release form of active vitamin D granted a patent for chronic kidney disease – July 2014](#)
- [Omega 3 increases vitamin D in the blood – many studies](#)
- [Vitamin D3 vs serum D3 \(Calcitriol, HyD\) – Jan 2012](#)
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