

1. Calcaneal BMD Obtained by Dual X-ray and Laser (DXL) Predicts Future Hip Fractures – A Prospective Study in 4398 Swedish Women

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- “The age-adjusted AUC of DXL of calcaneus to predict future hip fractures was 0.84, which is better than that previously reported for DXA of the femoral neck. Of the patients who sustained a hip fracture 78% had a DXL T-score of < -2.5. DXL of calcaneus may therefore be suitable for diagnosing osteoporosis and for prediction of fracture risk.”
- *The 78% prediction rate of future hip fractures by DXL Calscan can be compared to the published literature on DXA scans of the hip that show less than 50% of those who will sustain a hip fracture received a DXA T-score of < -2.5.*

Brismar TB, Janszky I, Toft LIM – Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden

2. Laser-Supported Dual Energy X-Ray Absorptiometry (DXL) Compared to Conventional Absorptiometry (DXA) and to FRAX as Tools for Fracture Risk Assessments

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- DXL Calscan compared to DXA scans of hip including the WHO FRAX tool show “**no difference in predictive accuracy**” for predicting hip fractures.
- “In conclusion, BMD of the calcaneus measured with DXL had a fracture-predictive ability similar to BMD of the femoral neck measured with DXA, and to FRAX. Since the DXL equipment is also less costly, easier to operate and mobile, DXL of the calcaneus could be a useful tool as part of a clinical fracture risk assessment if DXA equipment is not readily available to the patient.”

Lundin H, Torabi F, Sääf M, Strender L-E, Nyren S, Johansson S-E, Salminen H – Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden

3. The discriminatory capacity of BMD measurements by DXA and dual X-ray and laser (DXL) at the calcaneus including clinical risk factors for detecting patients with vertebral fractures

Osteoporos Int. 2013 Aug;24(8):2181-90. doi: 10.1007/s00198-013-2266-0. Epub 2013 Jan 24.

- The study included 588 subjects, with at least one prevalent vertebral fracture identified by X-ray was detected in 160 of them. DXL Calscan scans of calcaneus and DXA scans of hip and spine sites were performed consecutively to compare the devices’ abilities to identify vertebral fracture patients. ROC analysis was used to examine sensitivity and specificity of the different devices and sites.
- When comparing T-scores, DXL at calcaneus showed the best performance followed by DXA at the femoral neck. DXA at the lumbar spine had the lowest discriminatory value. By adding clinical risk factors to the BMD results, DXL calcaneus and DXA femoral neck sites both improved their predictive values by 30% and showed identical ROC values for sensitivity and specificity of 0.869 each.
- “There was no difference if BMD was obtained at the hip or calcaneus.”

C. Muschitz, H.P. Dimai, R. Kocijan, A. Kaider, A. Zendeli, F. Kühne, A. Trubrich, S. Lung, R. Waneck, Heinrich Resch - St. Vincent Hospital - The VINFORCE Study Group, Vienna, Austria

4. The prevalence of osteoporosis using bone mineral measurements at the Calcaneus by Dual X-ray and Laser (DXL) Osteoporosis International (2003) 14: 823-827.

- “We conclude that DXL measurement at the heel bone, using a T-score threshold of –2.5 for classification of osteoporosis, is in concordance with the World Health Organization (WHO) definition of osteoporosis.”

Kullenberg R, Falch J, - Aker Univ. Hospital, Oslo, Norway

5. Long-term effects of a ten-year osteoporosis intervention program in a Swedish population – A cross-sectional study

Preventive Medicine Reports, Vol. 5, January 2017, pp 295-300

- “The present study shows a fracture predictive ability by the [DXL Calscan] osteoporotic calcaneal T-score which is in accordance with the study by Lundin *et al.*, 2015. In their study the DXL Calscan was as good a predictor of future fractures as DXA, including FRAX.”
- The fully adjusted model of logistic regression showed that participants with an osteoporotic DXL Calscan T-score of ≤ -2.5 had more a 3.2-fold increased risk of having a fracture after the age of 50 compared to women with a calcaneal T-score of ≥ -2.5 .

Grahn Kronhed AC, Salminen H – Linköping University, Linköping and Karolinska Institute, Stockholm - Sweden

6. Bone structure assessed by HR-pQCT, TBS and DXL in adult patients with different types of osteogenesis imperfecta

Osteoporosis International, October 2015, Volume 26, Issue 10, pp 2431-2440

- “Significant relations between BMD by DXL and trabecular bone microstructure assessed by HR-pQCT were found in the present study. Therefore, DXL could be an alternative and easily obtainable tool for BMD assessment in osteogenesis imperfecta patients with vertebral fractures, severe scoliosis, vertebroplasty, immobility, or hip replacement.”

Kocijan R, Muschitz C, Haschka J, Hans D, Nia A, Geroldinger A, Ardelt M, Wakolbonger R, Resch R - St. Vincent Hospital - Vienna, Austria

7. Use of Calscan for improving osteoporosis care in the older patient admitted with hip fracture

Acta Orthopaedica Belgica, 2015 Vol. 81, pp 23-29.

- “In this study we demonstrate that the Calscan appears to be a valid measuring instrument that could be used to increase the percentage of patients undergoing screening for osteoporosis to more than 70% [from 44%]. An additional advantage is that 25% could be started on anti-osteoporosis medication during their hospital stay.”

De Klerk G, Han Hegeman J, Van Der Velde D, Van Der Palen J, Ten Duis, H – Traumatology, Ziekenhuisgroep Twente, Almelo – The Netherlands

8. Bone mineral decreases in the calcanei in men after arthroscopic shoulder surgery: a prospective study over 5 years

Knee Surgery, Sports Traumatology, Arthroscopy (KSSTA), August 2015

- “The aim of this study was to study the effect on bone mineral in the calcanei after arthroscopic shoulder surgery.”
- The decrease in bone mineral density in male calcanei of 6% after 5 years was found to be significantly more than the age-dependent decrease for men.
- “It is the opinion of the authors that bone drilling has a systematic effect that results in a decrease in bone mineral in all bones, but, as the effect is small, it has so far only been shown in the calcaneus, which mainly consists of metabolically active trabecular bone.”

Elmlund A, Kartus J, Ejerhed L – Department of Orthopaedics, Danderyd Hospital AB, Stockholm, Sweden

9. Low calcaneal bone mineral density and the risk of distal forearm fracture in women and men: A population-based case-control study

Bone, 45 (2009) 789-793.

- “This study is one of the largest population-based studies measuring calcaneal BMD with DXA in women following distal forearm fracture and one of the few studies that included men.” The authors add, “Calcaneal BMD measurement appears to have predictive ability for osteoporosis-related fractures that does not substantially differ from that of lumbar spine and hip BMD.”

Atroshi I, Åhlander F, Billsten M, Ahlborg H, Mellström D, Ohlsson C, Ljunggren Ö, Karlsson M., Lund University, Lund, Sweden

10. Physical activity is the strongest predictor of calcaneal peak bone mass in young Swedish men

Osteoporosis International (2010) 21:447-455.

- “Our results indicate that young Swedish men have reached peak bone mass at the calcaneus at the age of 18.4 years. In accordance with these findings, previous studies have reported data that supports that peak bone mass has been reached at several skeletal sites at the age between 18 and 19 in men.” The authors add, “...we also demonstrated that history of regular physical activity was the strongest predictor of, and could explain more than 10% of the variation in, BMD at the calcaneus in a large cohort of young men (n=2384), highly representative of young Swedish men.”

Pettersson U, Nilsson M, Sundh V, Mellström D, Lorentzon M. – Sport Medicine Unit, Umeå University, Sweden; Center for Bone Research at Sahlgrenska Academy & Division of Endocrinology, Sahlgrenska Univ. Hospital, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

11. Elderly men with a history of distal radius fracture have significantly lower calcaneal bone density and free androgen index than age-matched controls

The Aging Male, 2012;15(1):59-62 Informa Healthcare

- “We used calcaneal DXL technique in our study instead of DXA. It has been suggested in comparative studies that the laser technique (DXL) is at least as reliable as the dual energy X-ray technique (DXA). DXL can eliminate fat and other soft tissue both outside and inside the measured bone.”

Olof Risto, Ewa Hammer, Karl Hammar, Mats Fredrikson, Mats Hammar & Ola Wahlström
Div. Of Orthopedics, Dept. Of Clinical and Experimental Medicine, Linköping Univeristy Hospital, Linköping, Sweden

12. Assessment of bone mineral density of the calcaneus in healthy and osteoporotic women by a new DXA device

Journal of Clinical Densitometry (2004) Vol 7, No. 3: 349-354.

- “Our data showed that DXL Calscan provides a convenient method of measuring skeletal BMD with some advantages over axial BMD. Calscan diagnostic capacity and relationships with other sites of the skeleton are excellent”.

Martini G, Valenti R, Giovani S, Gennari L, Salvadori S, Galli B, Nuti R. – Univ. of Siena, Siena, Italy

13. DXL Measurement as a Bone Mineral Density Screening Method

2005 Turkish Osteoporosis Society Annual Meeting, oral presentation

- 54,241 women from both the Asian and European sides of Istanbul were scanned with DXL Calscan during 2003 and 2004. From this group, 4,321 were also randomly chosen for axial DXA scans. DXL Calscan showed 99% sensitivity for osteoporosis diagnosis when compared to DXA of hip & spine results. Since 2004, the project has acquired many more Calscan units and scanned more than 500,000 women in Istanbul.

Çiftçi A, Yilmaz F, Konyalıoğlu R, Hamdemir F, Bulut T, Güveli M. - Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality Department of Health, Turkey

14. The DXL Calscan heel densitometer: evaluation and diagnostic thresholds

The British Journal of Radiology (2006) 79, 336-341

- “The Calscan is well-suited for use in the management of post-menopausal osteoporosis.” Precision *in vivo*, determined from duplicate right heel scans of 67 patients was 1.19%, which is better than precision found with most other DXA devices.

Thorpe J, Steel, S.A. – Centre for Metabolic Diseases, Hull Royal Infirmary, United Kingdom

15. The Value of Calcaneal Bone Mass Measurement Using a Dual X-Ray Laser Calscan Device in Risk Screening for Osteoporosis
Clinics 2009;64(8):757-62.

- “Bone mineral density measurements in the calcaneus using dual x-ray and laser are valuable for screening Turkish women over 40 years of age for the risk of osteoporosis.”

Kayalar, G, Cevikol A, Yavuzer G, Sanisoglu Y, Cakci A, Arasil T., Ministry of Health Educational & Research Hospital, Ankara, Turkey

16. The Relationship Between Dual X-ray Absorptiometry (DXA) and DXA With Laser (DXL) Measurements in Children
The Journal of Clinical Densitometry (2008) vol.11, no. 4, 555-560.

- “We conclude that BMD values obtained with the DXA and DXL techniques effectively identify the same individuals with low BMD. The DXL Calscan, which is portable, easy to use and gives a low radiation dose, can be useful for assessing bone mass in a young population.”

Söderpalm AC, Kullenberg R, Swolin-Eide D. – The Queen Silvia Children’s Hospital, Sahlgrenska University, Göteborg, Sweden

17. DXL Calscan of Calcaneal Bone vs. Axial DXA for Older Women
2006 Congress of Traumatology, Moscow

- “Calscan identified correctly significantly more cases of clinical osteoporosis than axial DXA. This was due to the lack of sensitivity at the hip region and the falsely elevated T-scores often found in spinal scores of the elderly.”

Rodionova SS, Morozov AK, Varetskaya-Chivilikhina NB – Central Institute of Traumatology and Orthopedics, Moscow, Russia

18. Bone Mineral Density and Lifestyle Among Female Students Aged 16-24
Gynecological Endocrinology 2002; 16: 91-98.

- “Hormonal age was a stronger indicator of BMD than chronological age. Menstrual disturbances might be an indication of low BMD and might therefore be a reason for measuring BMD among young females.”

Elgán C, Dykes AK, Samsioe G. – Lund University Hospital, Lund, Sweden

19. Speeding up assessment of bone mineral density

Practice Nursing 2008, Vol 19, No 4.

- “The Centre for Metabolic Bone Disease at the Royal Hull Hospitals NHS Trust, evaluated the capabilities of the DXL Calscan. The facility is the largest bone densitometry centre in the UK, and following the results of the study, the metabolic bone unit purchased a DXL Calscan and now uses it for triage diagnostics in the Hull area.”

Coe J – M.A.S. Medical – Brighouse, United Kingdom

20. Disturbance of peak bone mass formation as a risk factor of osteoporosis in women of elder age

Annals of Traumatology and Orthopedics, 2008; No.2, p.20-25.

- This study of 2854 women confirmed a two-fold increase in the prevalence of osteoporosis among women whose peak bone mass formation was disturbed by the 1986 Chernobyl accident. The study included 2 separate control groups and concluded that lack of access to fresh foods in the fallout regions severely affected bone formation in the group of females who were under 10 years of age at the time of the accident. Widespread use of the DXL Calscan scanner in affected areas could permit the formation of osteoporosis risk groups for observation and treatment if necessary.

Rodionova SS, Krivova AV, Doroshchenko VN, Proshin AD, Fetisov SN – Central Institute of Traumatology & Orthopedics, Russia

21. Comprehensive Osteoporosis Management with easy access to bone mineral density measurements

Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Paractice, Vol.12, 2006, p.675-681.

- A multi-disciplinary team established an effective osteoporosis management system covering all of a large rural county in Sweden. Using four portable DXL Calscan scanners and limited resources, the project routinely scans those at risk at their primary care health facility. The cost to the county was less than the cost of one axial DXA system.

Kullenberg R, Hansson B, Sandberg R, Dahlberg H – Department of Orthopaedics, Central Hospital, Karlstad, Sweden

22. Bone mineral density measurement in the calcaneus with DXL: comparison with hip and spine measurements in a cross-sectional study of an elderly female population

Osteoporosis International (2005), 16(5), p541-551

- “Using the NHANES III database for axial DXA and the published database for Calscan (Kullenberg 2003), and using the WHO cut-off point of – 2.5 for osteoporosis, the heel measurements by DXL Calscan had optimal accuracy for detecting osteoporosis.”

Salminen H, Sääf M, Ringertz H, Strender LE - Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden

23. A list of device-specific thresholds for the clinical interpretation of peripheral x-ray absorptiometry examinations
Osteoporosis Int. 2005 Dec;16(12):2149-56.

- The National Osteoporosis Society's scientific committee approves the use of DXL Calscan for diagnostic purposes using thresholds established in clinical study. The DXL Calscan threshold for diagnosis and treatment of osteoporosis is set at a T-score of -2.7 .

Blake GM, Chinn D, Steel S, Patel R, Panayiotou E, Thorpe J, Fordham JN - Department of Nuclear Medicine, Guy's Hospital, London

24. The usefulness of dual X-ray and laser absorptiometry of the calcaneus versus dual energy X-ray absorptiometry of hip and spine in diagnosing manifest osteoporosis
Archives of Orthopaedic Trauma and Surgery, 2009, Feb; 129(2): 251-7.

- "The Calscan is a promising technique which might be used as a screening device at a fracture & osteoporosis clinic, especially when DXA is not easily available."

de Klerk G, van der Velde D, van der Palen J, van Bergeijk L, Hegeman JH – Dept. Of Surgery, Twenteborg Hospital, The Netherlands

25. Comparison of Bone Mineral Density Measured by Dual X-ray, Axial Dual-energy Photon X-ray Absorptiometry and Laser Absorptiometry of Calcaneus
Iran Journal of Medical Science, 2005; 30(1): 34-37.

- "We found excellent sensitivity and specificity for the diagnosis of osteoporosis. A cut-off T-score of -2.5 for DXL Calscan identifies the same number of patients as osteoporotic as do measurements with DEXA."

Forogh, B., Ghasemzadeh, A., Salimzadeh, A – Dept. of Physical & Medical Rehabilitation, Iran University of Medical Science

26. Dual Energy X-ray Laser Measurement of Calcaneal Bone Mineral Density
Physics in Medicine and Biology 48 (2003) 1741-1752.

- Reproducibility excellent with *in vivo* short-term precision of DXL Calscan 1.2%. "DXL Calscan provides a more accurate measure of calcaneal BMD than traditional DXA instruments."

Hakulinen M, Saarakkala S, Töyräs J, Kröger H, Jurvelin JS - Dept. of Applied Physics, University of Kuopio, Finland

27. Osteoporosis and radial head fractures in female patients: a case-control study

Journal of Shoulder and Elbow Surgery (2012), Vol 21, Issue 11, Pages 1555–1558.

- “Conclusions: This study confirms that radial head fractures in female patients ≥ 50 years are potential osteoporotic fractures. Offering these patients a BMD measurement may prevent future osteoporotic fractures, such as hip and spine fractures.”

Kaas L, Sierevelt I, Vroemen J, van Dijk C, Eygendaal D,

28. Reference database for Dual X-ray and Laser (DXL) Calscan bone densitometer

Journal of Clinical Densitometry, vol. 6, no. 4, 367–371, 2003.

- “After exclusionary criteria were applied, 993 women and 459 men were included in the study. The peak bone mass for women was found at an age of 22 years and for men at an age of 25 years. No significant differences could be found between the right and left measurements.”

Kullenberg R - Associate Professor of Medical Physics, University of Göteborg, Sweden

29. Bone mass, biochemical markers and growth in children with chronic kidney disease; a 1-year prospective study

Acta Paediatrica, The Authors/Journal Compilation 2007, pp. 720-725, 2007.

- This prospective study of children with CKD was designed to investigate development of BMD over a 1-year period and whether biochemical markers of bone turnover can predict changes in BMD. Results from the DXA and DXL Calscan showed similar significant increases in BMD for total body, spine and the calcaneus after one year. Biochemical markers could not predict the BMD changes over 1 year.

Swolin-Eide D, Magnusson P, Hansson S - Queen Silvia Children's Hospital, The Sahlgrenska Academy, Univ. of Göteborg, Sweden

30. Nutritional status, as determined by the Mini-Nutritional Assessment, and osteoporosis: a cross-sectional study of an elderly female population

European Journal of Clinical Nutrition (2006) 60, 486-493.

- Subjects with lower nutritional assessment scores had significantly lower BMD scores when measured by Calscan at the heel or Hologic 4500 at the femur neck and total hip.

Salminen H, Sääf M, Johansson SE, Ringertz H, Strender LE - Sahlgrenska Univ. Hospital, Gothenburg, Sweden

31. Osteoporosis screening on a population of elderly people living in a rest home

Turkish Journal of Geriatrics, 2006;9(1) p.25-29.

- Study showed that the rate of osteoporosis in rest homes was similar to persons not in rest homes, however the patients in the rest homes had a lower rate of fractures. Rest home preventive practices aimed at reducing risk of falling may decrease the rate of fragility fractures and this should be considered to decrease overall incidence of fractures.

Küçükardali Y., Solmazgöl, E. *et al* - GATA Haydarpaşa Eğitim Hospital, Istanbul, Turkey

32. A new measuring device for quantifying the amount of mineral in the heel bone

Annals of the New York Academy of Science, 904 (2000), 115-117.

- Calscan showed high level of accuracy with varied quantities of bone mineral – the standard error of estimate is less than 1.6%.

Swanpalmer J, Kullenberg R - Sahlgrenska Univ. Hospital, Gothenburg, Sweden

33. Influence of smoking and oral contraceptives on bone mineral density and bone remodelling in young women: a 2-year study

Contraception, Volume 67, Issue 6, June 2003, Pages 439-447.

- “BMD was measured by DXA (DXL Calscan) because external radiation is minimal with this device. The equipment can be used in any environment without specific precautions. It is concluded that smokers without OC’s (oral contraceptives) had a negative BMD development and BMD in young women with irregular menstruations seems to be improved by OC’s.”

Elgán C., Dykes A.K., Samsioe G - Lund Univ. Hospital, Lund, Sweden

34. Calcaneus BMD Short-Term Precision in Young and Elderly Subjects Using DXL Calscan

Journal of Clinical Densitometry, Assessment of Skeletal Health (2008).

- There was no statistical difference between the average BMD of the left and right heels. The observed short and long-term reproducibility, as well as the acceptable variation between 4 individual DXL Calscan machines show that Demetech’s DXL Calscan is suitable for measuring BMD.

Toft LIM, Brismar TB - Dept. For Clinical Science, Intervention and Technology, Radiology, Karolinska Institute Stockholm, Sweden

35. *The Comparison Between Affected and Non-Affected Side of the Calcaneal Bone Density in Chronic Hemiparetic Patients*
Osteoporoz Dünyasından (2005) 11 (2), 52-56.

- Population had a mean age of 58.9 years and were diagnosed with Hemiplegia after experiencing a stroke. We found that higher spasticity levels were associated with lower bone mineral density. As a result, spasticity and motor functional level may be determining factors for BMD value in hemiparetic patients.

Ofluoğlu D, et al – Marmara Üniversitesi Hospital, Istanbul, Turkey

36. *Short-term variations in bone remodelling markers of an oral contraception formulation containing 3 mg of drospirenone plus 3 µg of ethinyl estradiol: observational study in young post adolescent women*
Contraception, vol. 70, 2004, pp. 293-298.

- An analysis of whether a specific oral contraceptive (OC) can affect bone metabolism. Even though a subtle decrease in bone formation appears to have been observed, reduced BMD values are only shown in the presence of a dramatic and rapid decrease of ovarian function.

Paoletti AM, Orrù, M, Lello, S, Floris, S, Ranuzzi F, Etzi R, Zedda P, et al - University of Cagliari & University Tor Vergata, Rome, Italy

37. *Are distal radius fractures due to fragility or falls? A consecutive case-controlled study of bone mineral density, tendency to fall, risk factors for osteoporosis and health-related quality of life*
Acta Orthopaedica, vol. 78, Issue 2, April 2007. p 271-277.

- “Several researchers have shown that heel DXL can be used in the measurement of BMD according to the WHO criteria for the diagnosis of normal BMD, osteopenia and osteoporosis. This study indicates that the underlying cause of a distal radius fracture may be different in patients aged 45-64 years and those who are older than 64 years old.”

Nordvall H, Glanberg-Persson G, Lysholm J – Departments of Physiotherapy & Orthopaedics, Sunderby Hospital, Luleå, Sweden

38. Pediatric Reference Data for Bone Mineral Density in the Calcaneus for Healthy Children 2, 4, and 7 Years of Age by Dual-Energy X-ray Absorptiometry and Laser (DXL)

Journal of Clinical Densitometry, 2005 vol. 8, no. 3, p. 305–313.

- A DXL Calscan device using Calscan Paediatric Workstation software was used in a paediatric setting. The calcaneus can easily and quickly be measured using the portable DXL device, and measurements are well tolerated by young children, even those 2 yrs. of age. “Some patients with syndromes or diseases that are known to have a low BMD and with clinical signs of osteoporosis were measured in order to highlight the utility of the DXL method. All (these) patients had low percentile values for BMD and BMAD compared with the healthy children measured in our study, which indicates that the DXL device is able to recognize this low value.”

Söderpalm A-C, Kullenberg R, Albertsson-Wikland K, Swolin-Eide D - Orthopaedics, Sahlgrenska Univ. Hosp., Göteborg Sweden

39. Fruit and Vegetable Intake and Bone Mineral Density in Residents of Villages Surrounding Tehran

Iranian Journal of Public Health, 2004, A supplementary issue on Osteoporosis, p.49-56.

- Fruit and vegetable intake was assessed in subjects who had BMD measured by DXL Calscan. Fruit intake did not correlate to BMD results. The women who reported eating more than 1.5 servings of vegetables per day had significantly higher T-scores than those who ate less than 1.5 servings of vegetables per day (-1.1 vs. -1.9).

Ebrahimof S, Adibi, H., et al - *Endocrinology and Metabolism Research Center*, Shariati Hospital, Tehran, Iran

40. Osteoporosis in a nursing home, determined by the DEXA technique (DXL Calscan)

Medical Science Monitor, 2005; 11(2): CR 67-70.

- A DXL Calscan device (which uses DXA and laser technology), was used to scan nursing home patients, mean age was 84 years. Results showed that 92% of the women and 70% of the men scanned had osteoporosis according to the WHO definition. It is conceivable that such a degree of osteoporosis is usual in corresponding nursing homes, which should be taken into consideration by prioritizing prevention against future fragility fractures with available non-pharmacological and pharmacological treatment.

Sallin U, Mellström D, Eggertsson R - Department of Primary Healthcare, Göteborg University, Sweden

41. The effect of anterior cruciate ligament surgery on bone mineral in the calcaneus: a prospective study with a 2-year follow-up evaluation

Arthroscopy, 2004; vol.20, issue 4, p.352-359.

- Patients with a unilateral ACL rupture had a lower BMD in the calcaneus on the injured side compared with the non-injured side. Although patients increased activity levels after reconstruction, the BMD in the calcaneus decreased on both the injured and the non-injured side up to 2 years after surgery. LEVEL OF EVIDENCE: Level II-1, prospective cohort study.

Ejerhed, L, Kartus J, Nilsén R, Nilsson U, Kullenberg R, Karlsson J – Dept. of Orthopaedics, Uddevalla Hospital, Sweden