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Memorial lecture

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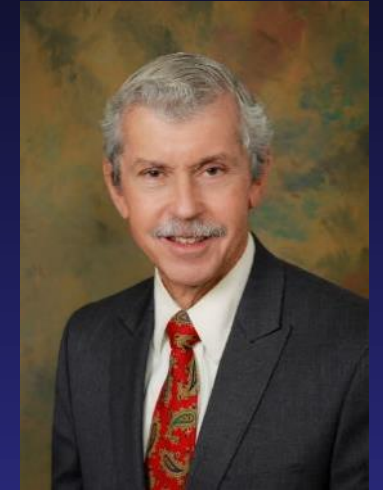
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- Born in Ames, Iowa in 1938
- BS from Oberlin College in 1959
- MS (1961), from the University of Wisconsin, Madison
- PhD (1963) from the University of Wisconsin, Madison
(fellow in Biochemistry & research assistant)
- Postdoctoral Fellow Dept Chemistry , UCLA 1963-64
- A member of the UCR faculty since 1963

assistant professor and assistant biochemist → → professor & chairman department of biochemistry

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- PhD research in Madison
- Mentor: **Hector F DeLuca**

= Laboratory of Biochemistry of the Master of vitamin D:

~~ Tony = the “grand-student” of the famous **Harry Steenbock**, a pioneer in vitamin D research at Wisconsin who discovered that irradiation with ultraviolet light increased the vitamin D content of foods.



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PhD research in Madison/Wisconsin (1961-1963)

Mentor: Hector F DeLuca

Publications:

[BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE FORMS OF VITAMIN D3 IN KIDNEY AND INTESTINE.](#)

NORMAN AW, LUND J, DELUCA HF. Arch Biochem Biophys. 1964;108:12-21.

[THE SUBCELLULAR LOCATION OF H3 VITAMIN D3 IN KIDNEY AND INTESTINE.](#)

NORMAN AW, DELUCA HF. Arch Biochem Biophys. 1964;107:69-77

[Vitamin D and the incorporation of \[1-14C\]acetate into the organic acids of bone.](#)

Norman AW, DeLuca HF. Biochem J. 1964 91:124-30.

[THE PREPARATION OF H3-VITAMINS D2 AND D3--THEIR LOCALIZATION IN THE RAT.](#)

NORMAN AW, DELUCA HF.
Biochemistry. 1963;2:1160-8.

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Early independent research in UCR (1963 onwards)

!!! Combined with postdoctoral research in the area of oxidative phosphorylation in the laboratory of Nobel Laureate Paul D Boyer at the University of LA

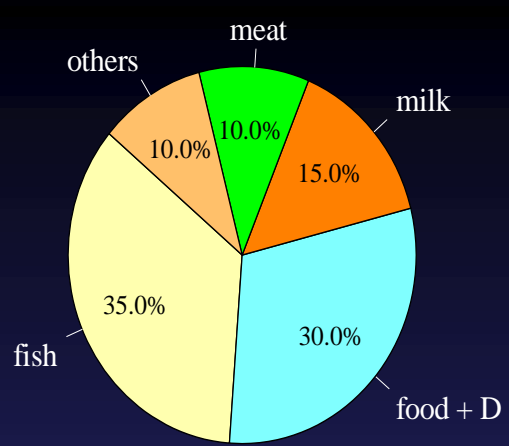
Choice of research area:

Biochemical, cellular and molecular endocrinology, and
physiology of the vitamin D endocrine system

Why his choice of vitamin D was very wise ???

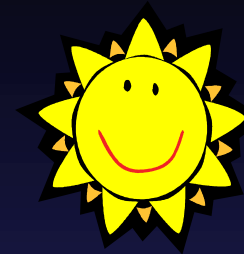
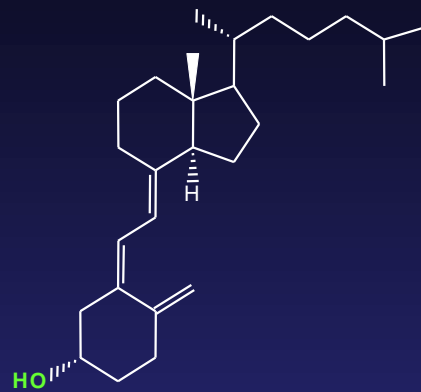
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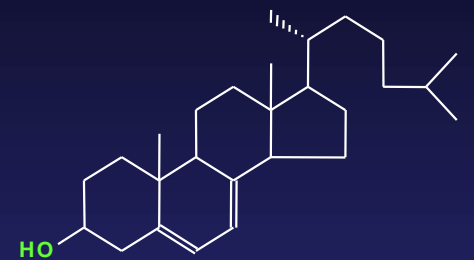


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nutrition

Cholecalciferol



7-Dehydroxycholecalciferol



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++ skin (UV)
-- 7DHC-delta-7-reductase

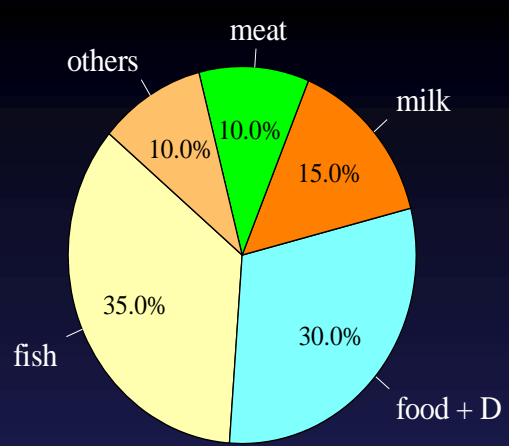


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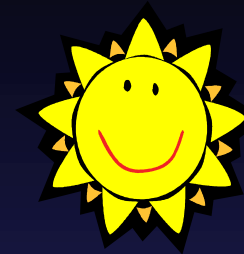
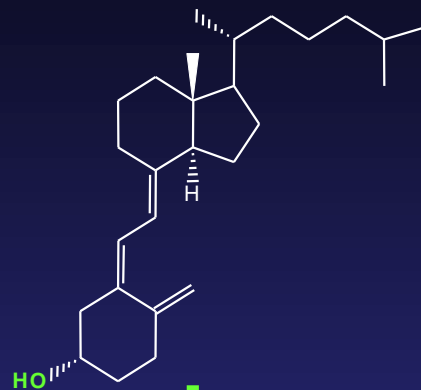


Cures rickets

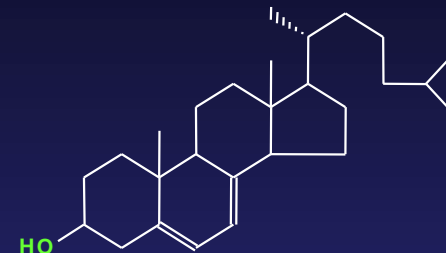


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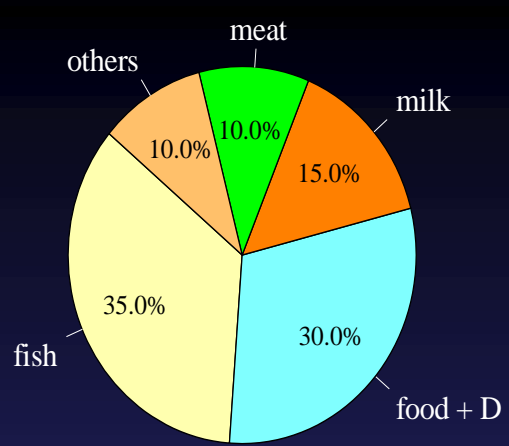
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Improves intestinal calcium absorption

Status 1940-1960's

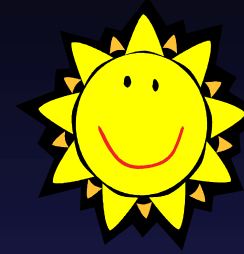
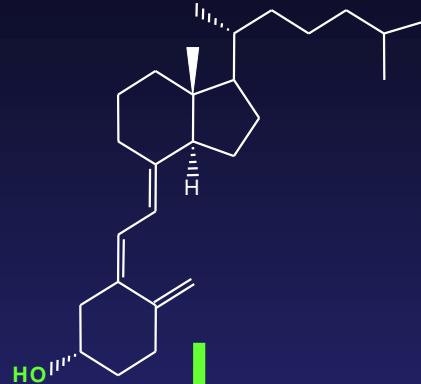
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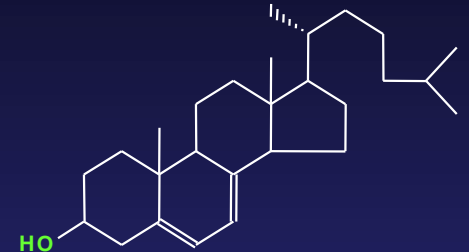


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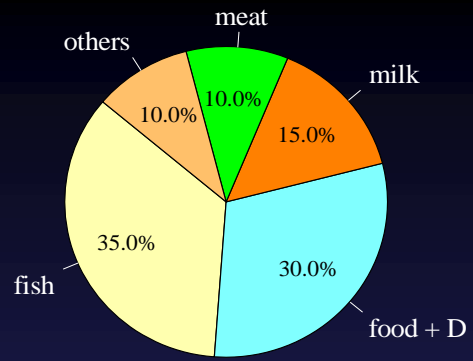
25-hydroxylation in liver

Improves intestinal calcium absorption

Status 1960's-

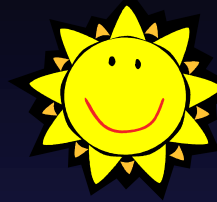
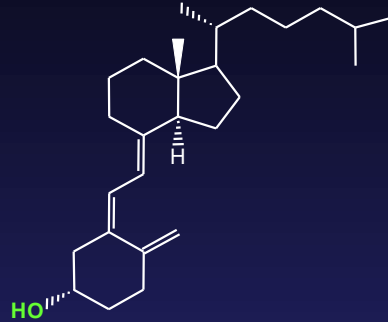
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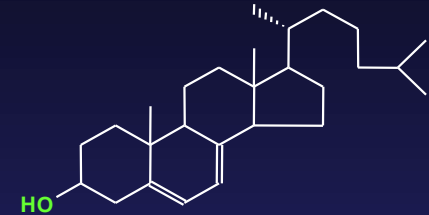


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Cholecalciferol



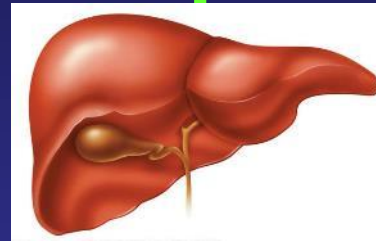
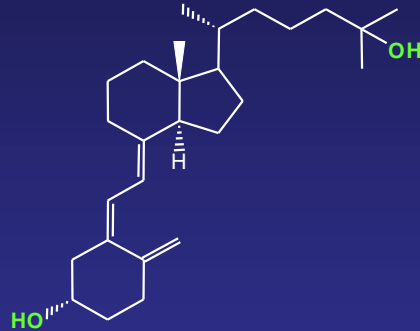
7-Dehydrocholecalciferol



← ++ skin (UV)
-- 7DHC-de-7-reductase

liver

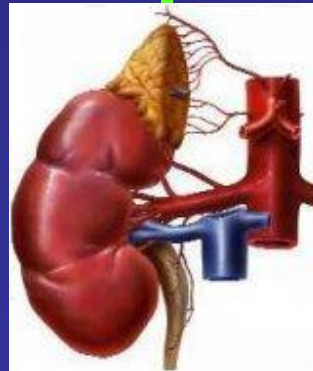
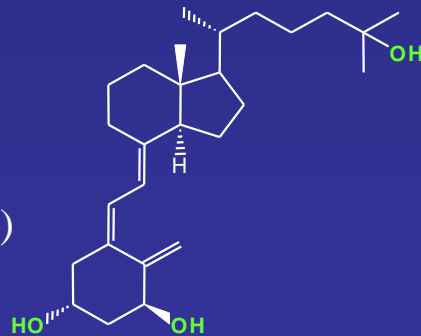
(mitoch CYP27A1)
(micros CYP2D5)
(micros CYP2R1)



25-Hydroxycholecalciferol

Kidney

(Mitoch CYP27B1)



1 α ,25(OH) $_2$ D $_3$ DBP

1 μ g

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The first research advances from AW Norman's laboratory with M Haussler as his **first PhD student**:

- The effect of vitamin D to stimulate intestinal calcium absorption in rachitic chickens was inhibited by **actinomycin D**, suggesting that unlike the water-soluble vitamins which functioned as enzyme cofactors, **vitamin D action required *mRNA/protein* synthesis.** (Science 1965)
- Dr. Norman's group reported that after intracardiac injection of radioactively labeled vitamin D into vitamin D - deficient chickens, the predominant subcellular fraction of the small intestine containing the radioactive tag was the **nucleus** ~ consistent with a ***genomic mechanism of action for vitamin D*** or a **metabolite** (Archives of Biochemistry and Biophysics, 1967)

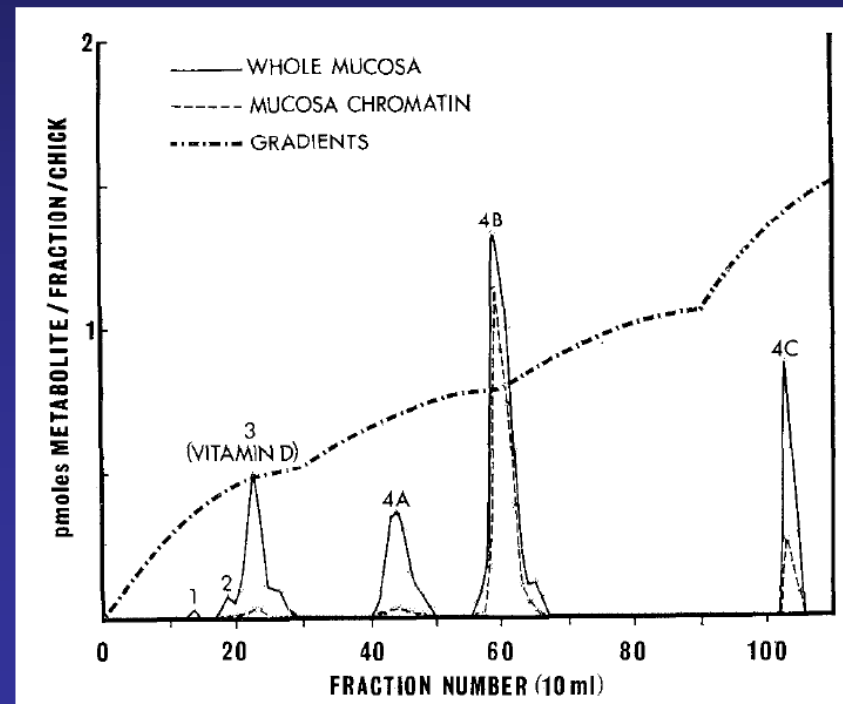


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Radioactive vitamin D (metabolite) localized exclusively to purified chromatin, further supporting a role for DNA-driven gene transcription in the molecular response to vitamin D.

The chromatin-associated, labeled sterol was extracted from intestinal chromatin and analyzed chromatographically in numerous systems, and proven to be a *metabolite of vitamin D more polar than 25(OH)D and biologically active* (Journal of Biological Chemistry in August 1968)



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As reported in January 1969 in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America (Proc Natl Acad Sci USA), we* discovered a
“*Chromosomal Receptor for a Vitamin D Metabolite,*”

This DNA-binding and vitamin D metabolite-binding protein has become known as the **vitamin D receptor (VDR)**



* *Chromosomal receptor for a vitamin D metabolite by Mark R. Haussler and Anthony W. Norman, Department of Biochemistry, University of California (Riverside)*

Identification of 1,25-Dihydroxycholecalciferol, a New Kidney Hormone controlling Calcium Metabolism

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Nature **230**, 228 - 230 (26 March 1971)

Identification of 1,25-Dihydroxycholecalciferol, a Form of Vitamin D₃ Metabolically Active in the Intestine

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Department of Biochemistry, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis. 53706

Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA
Vol. 68, No. 4, pp. 803-804, April 1971

1,25-Dihydroxycholecalciferol: Identification of the Proposed Active Form of Vitamin D₃ in the Intestine

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Science 2 July 1971: Vol. 173. no. 3991, pp. 51 - 54

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Chemical identification of the more polar metabolite:

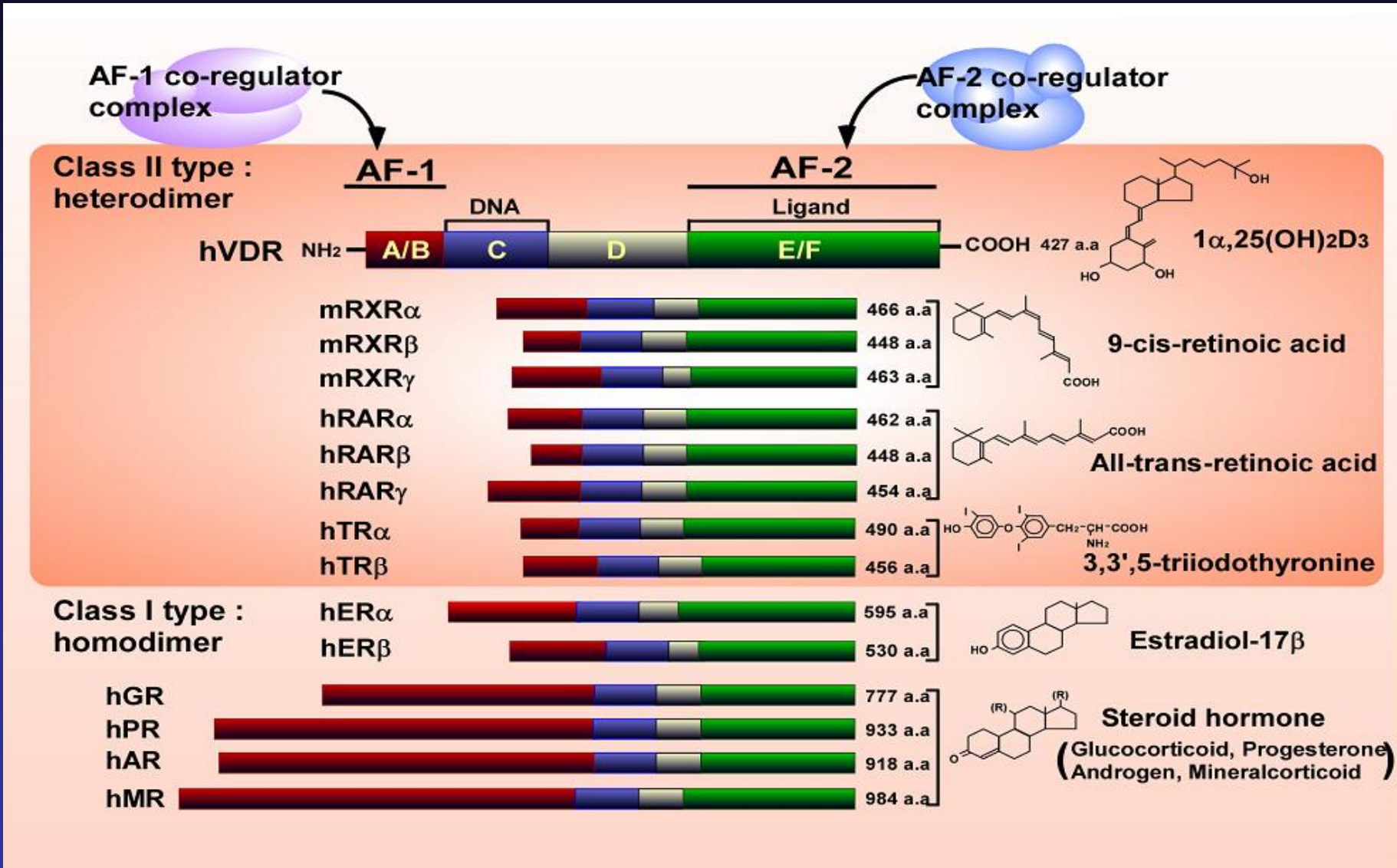
1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D₃ or 1,25(OH)₂D₃

Discovery of a nuclear receptor for the active vitamin D metabolite



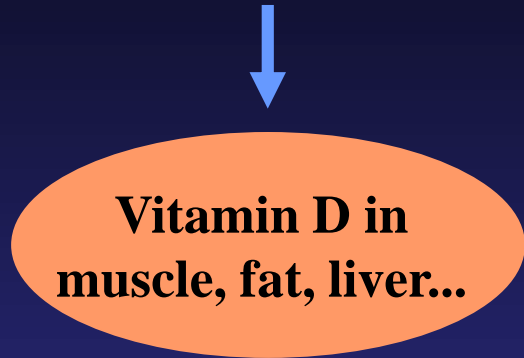
So by the end of 1971, 1,25(OH)₂D₃ became known as the vitamin D hormone, with the kidney as its primary endocrine gland, and active by binding and activating a nuclear receptor.

Nuclear receptor superfamily



Vitamin D

UV B + 7-DHC- Δ 7-dehydrogenase
or vitamin D



Vit D-25-hydroxylase (CYP2R1)

25(OH)D-DBP

25(OH)D-1 α -hydroxylase
kidney/monocytes/....

25(OH)D-24R-hydroxylase

24,25(OH)₂D
25,26(OH)₂D

1,25(OH)₂D

Thyroid hormones

Iodide



T₄-TBG

de-iodinases
liver, muscle

rT₃

T₃

only occasional access

tissue storage in
pro-precursor form

circulating precursor

biological activation
or inactivation

Vitamin D

24,25(OH)₂D
25,26(OH)₂D

low affinity

high

nuclear receptor

+
RXR



(VDRE)

+ coactivators

TRANSACTIVATION

Thyroid hormones

rT₃ T₃

low affinity

high

nuclear receptor

+
RXR



(TRE)

+ coactivators

TRANSACTIVATION

steroid receptor
superfamily

heterodimerisation

similar
hexanucleotide
repeat but different
spacer number

gene transcription

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Overview of the major contributions of Anthony W Norman (1)

- Discovery and chemical characterization of $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$, the vitamin D hormone
- Discovery and characterization of the vitamin D receptor (VDR)
- Description of the vitamin D-mediated intestinal calcium transport

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Identification of the molecular actions of vitamin D in the intestine (1)

- Friedlander E J, Henry H L and Norman A W, Studies on the mode of action of calciferol. XII. Effects of dietary calcium and phosphorus on the relationship between the 25-hydroxyvitamin D₃-1-hydroxylase and production of *chick intestinal calcium binding protein*, J Biol Chem 252: 8677, 1977.
- Tsai H C, Wong R G and Norman A W, Studies on calciferol metabolism. IV. Subcellular localization of 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D₃ in intestinal mucosa and *correlation with increased calcium transport*, J Biol Chem 247: 5511, 1972

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Identification of the molecular actions of vitamin D in the intestine (2)

Sylvia Christakos as PostDoc (1976-1980)
in AW Norman's lab:



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Christakos Silvia, postdoc at AW Norman's lab (1976-1980)

- Vitamin D₃-induced **calcium binding protein in bone tissue**.
Christakos S and Norman AW. Science. 1978 Oct 6;202(4363):70-1
- Studies on the mode of action of calciferol. XIII. Development of a **radioimmunoassay** for vitamin D-dependent chick **intestinal calcium-binding protein** and tissue distribution.
Christakos S, Friedlander EJ, Frandsen BR and Norman AW. Endocrinology. 1979 May;104(5):1495-503
- Studies on the mode of action of calciferol. XVIII. Evidence for a specific high affinity binding protein for 1,25 dihydroxyvitamin D₃ (**VDR**) in chick **kidney and pancreas**.
Christakos S and Norman AW. Biochem Biophys Res Commun. 1979 Jul 12;89(1):56-63
- **Radioimmunoassay for chick intestinal calcium-binding protein**.
Christakos S and Norman AW. Methods Enzymol. 1980;67:500-3
- Localization of immunoreactive vitamin D-dependent **calcium binding protein in chick nephron**.
Christakos S, Brunette MG and Norman AW. Endocrinology. 1981 Jul;109(1):322-4

CaBP in chicks

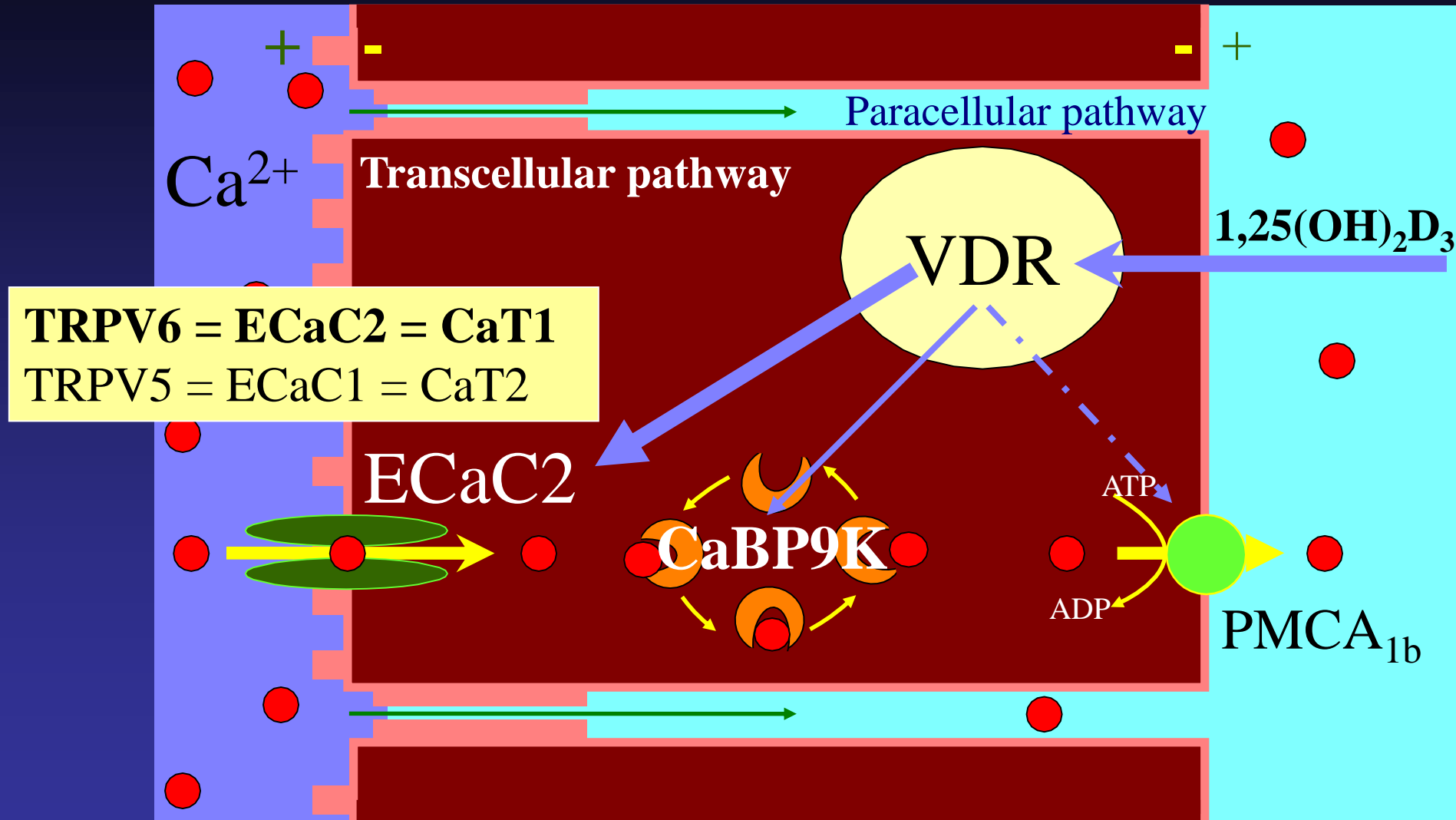
Group	Bone CaBP (ng/mg protein)	Duodenal CaBP (ng/mg protein)	Serum CaBP (ng/ml)	Serum Ca ²⁺ (mg/100 ml)	N
<i>Experiment A</i>					
-D	4.4 ± 1.4	36 ± 0.014	0	5.4 ± 0.36	6
+D	109.0 ± 22*	25,000 ± 4,400	49 ± 8†	8.0 ± 0.26	6
<i>Experiment B</i>					
Low calcium	460 ± 55	12,000 ± 900	65 ± 23	6.6 ± 0.40	7
High calcium	101 ± 19*	6,400 ± 1,100	9.8 ± 1.8	9.0 ± 0.42	6

**P* < .001. †This concentration of CaBP in the serum is equivalent to 1.4 ng per milligram of serum protein.

A: Fed a rachitogenic diet for 6 w +/- vitamin D

B: Fed a rachitogenic diet for 6 w and then R/ vitamin D and a low or high calcium diet

VDR dependent active calcium absorption



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Overview of the major contributions of Anthony W Norman (2)

- Metabolism of vitamin D
- Chemistry of vitamin D analogs & structure function analysis

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Regulation of the key enzyme, 1alpha-hydroxylase (CYP27B1)



- Henry, H. L., and A. W. Norman, Studies on calciferol metabolism. IX. Characteristics of the renal 25-hydroxyvitamin D3-1-hydroxylase, J Biol Chem 249: 7529, 1974.

- Henry, H. L., R. J. Midgett, and A. W. Norman, Regulation of 25- hydroxyvitamin D3-1-hydroxylase, in vivo, J Biol Chem 249: 7584, 1974.



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Overview of the major contributions of Anthony W Norman (3)

- Vitamin D's action beyond the intestine:
 - endocrine pancreas
 - immune system
 - parathyroid gland
- Discovery of the biological importance of $24,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$

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Identification of action of the vitamin D endocrine system beyond the intestine

1. Endocrine pancreas

- Studies on the mode of action of calciferol. XXIX. Biochemical characterization of 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D₃ receptors in chick pancreas and kidney cytosol. (Christakos S, Norman AW. *Endocrinology*. 1981 Jan;108(1):140-9)
- Vitamin D and normal insulin secretion (*Journal of Clinical Investigation*, 1981)

2. Immune system

- Role of 1,25(OH)₂D₃ in human peripheral blood lymphocytes (*Journal of Clinical Investigation*, 1987), with Koeffler P
- Regulation of granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF) by inhibition of interferon- γ synthesis by 1,25(OH)₂D₃ (*Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A*, 1987)
- Stimulation of 1,25(OH)₂D₃ synthesis in human bone marrow and alveolar macrophages by interferon- γ (*Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 1987)

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Clinical implications of new discoveries of the vitamin D endocrine system (4)

Showing that $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ was efficacious in treating *patients with renal osteodystrophy*
(*New England J Medicine* 1972) (In collaboration with nephrologist Jack Coburn at UCLA)

Actions of $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ in patients with hypophosphatemic, **vitamin D resistant rickets**
(*New England J Medicine* 1973)

Actions of $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ in patients with **chronic renal failure**
(*Ann Intern Med* 1974)

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Clinical implications of new discoveries of the vitamin D endocrine system (2)

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2. Therapeutic effect of $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ in patients with **hypoparathyroidism** (Lancet 1974)
3. Extra renal production of $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ in patients with **sarcoidosis** (New England J Medicine 1981)

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Overview of the major contributions of Anthony W Norman (5)

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- Paracrine system of $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ local extra-renal production of $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$
- Structure function of vitamin D (metabolites/analogs)
- *Non-genomic actions of vitamin D / $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ (metabolites/analogs)*

Example: lecture AW Norman in Maastricht vitamin D workshop meeting 2003

A MECHANISTIC CONUNDRUM:

*HOW CAN $1\alpha,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ MEDIATE BOTH
GENOMIC RESPONSES AND RAPID
RESPONSES?*

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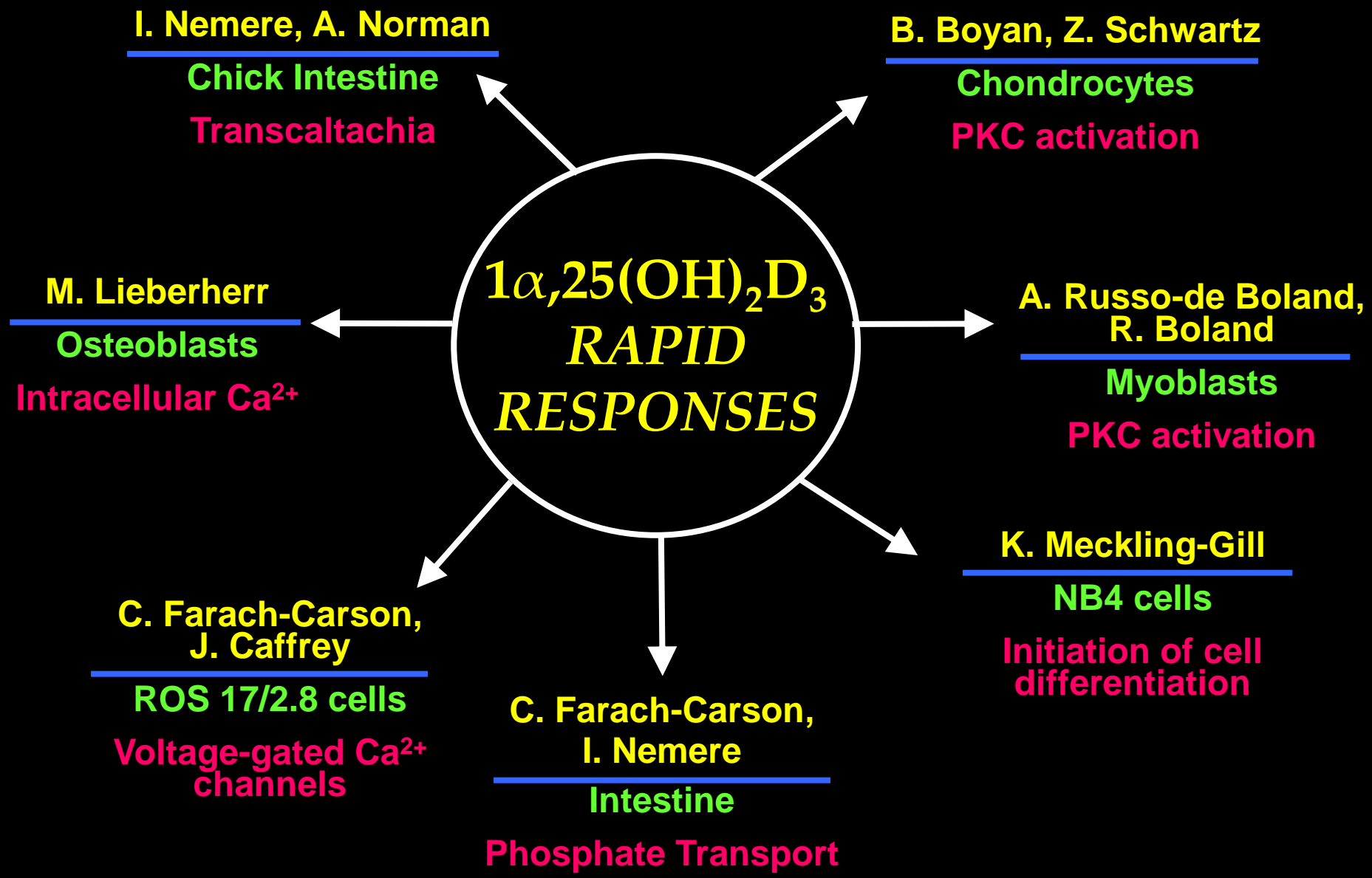
CONUNDRUM:

“A problem that is difficult to deal with.”.

Cambridge Dictionary online

“An intricate and difficult problem.”

Merriam Webster online



SUMMARY

- *The CMF VDR_{Mem} is the classic VDR*
 - *Western blot analysis*
 - *VDR KO abrogates rapid responses*
 - *VDR KO greatly reduces $1\alpha,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ in vitro*
 - *CFM VDR_{Mem} has ligand specificity close to classic VDR*
- *Computer modeling of classic VDR-LBD suggests presence of binding mechanisms in the LBD for genomic and rapid responses*

CONCLUSION

The classical VDR, or a slightly modified form of the VDR, when localized to the CME, is responsible for many $1\alpha,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$ non-genomic rapid responses

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Vitamin D science: research and publications of original data and reviews

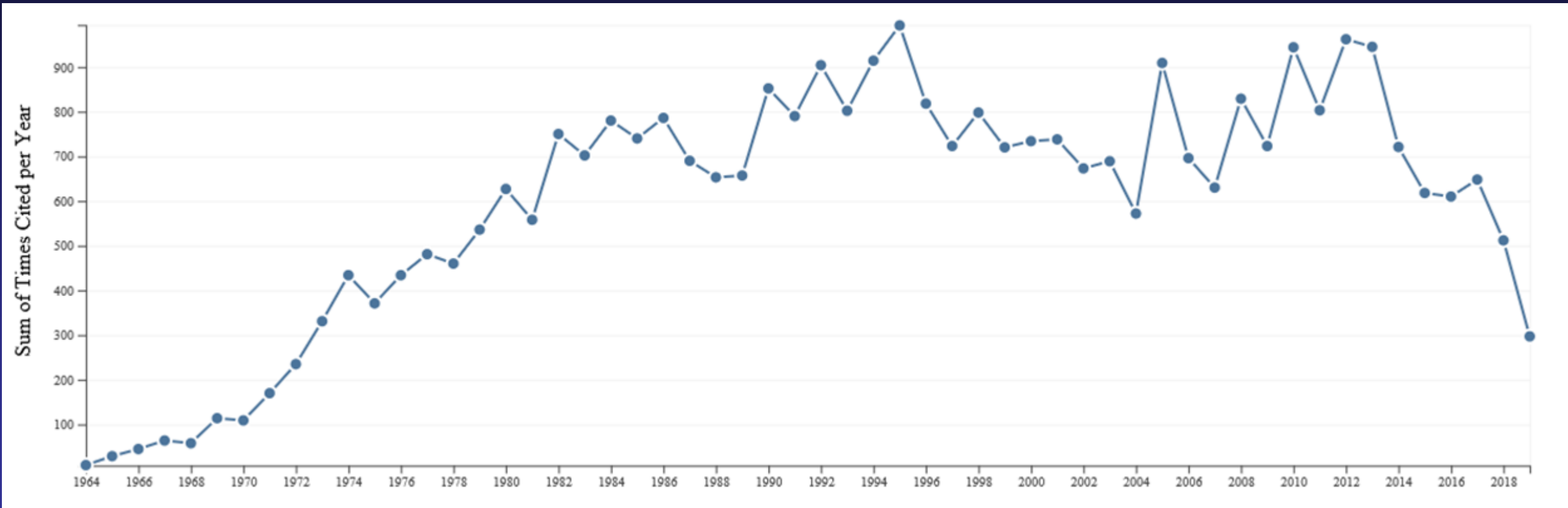
Training of MS and PhD's

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Vitamin D science: research and publications of original data and reviews
Total publications in WoS: 768 (more than one per month for 50 yrs)



h-index 96 Average citations per item 43.48 Sum of Times Cited 33,390 (nearly 2 per day for 50 yrs)

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Tony mentored 23 students who received PhD's during his career at UCR

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@ = M.S. Thesis in Norman Laboratory

Graduate
Student

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Graduate Student</u>	<u>Position</u> [PPU = Present position unknown]
1964-68	Dr. Aileen Foug	Professor of Biochemistry, San Diego State Univ.
1964-68	Dr. Mark R. Haussler	Regents Professor of Biochemistry, Univ. Arizona
1965-69	Dr. Tom A. Adams	Chairman & CEO, Leucadia Technologies & Chairman Emeritus, Genta, Inc., Leucadia, CA
1967-71	Dr. James F. Myrtle	Research Scientist, Unilabs, Los Angeles, CA.
1969-71	Mr. Helmar Dollwet@	Professor Biology, Akron State University
1969-73	Dr. Richard G. Wong	Professor Biology, Marharishi International University, Fairfield, Iowa.
1972-73	Ms. Irene Podolan-Katzenstein@	PPU
1972-74	Mr. John Hamman@	Crime Laboratory, Riverside County Sheriffs, PPU
1972-76	Dr. Ronald J. Midgett	PPU
1973-74	Dr. Anna M. Spielvogel, MD	Psychiatrist, San Francisco, CA private practice
1973-77	Dr. Richard L. Johnson	Research Chemist, PPU
1973-77	Dr. Terry Osborn*	President and CEO of Gene Expression, Toledo, OH
1974-78	Dr. Wayne R. Wecksler	Research Director, Unilabs, retired; golf professional
1974-78	Dr. Ernest Friedlander	Research Scientist, UCSF; PPU
1978-79	Mr. Nathan Adams@	PPU

1978-82	Dr. John A. Putkey	Professor Biochemistry, Univ. Texas Medical School, Houston, TX
1979-83	Dr. Paul Siebert	Researcher, CloneTech, Palo Alto, CA
1979-84	Dr. Barbara E. Miller	Director Research, Procter & Gamble, Cincinnati, OH
1981-82	Mr. Herbert Axelrod	Ph.D. with Dr. Alex McPherson, UC-Riverside
1981-84	Dr. Michael W. King	Professor Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Indiana State University and Indiana School of Medicine
1983-84	Dr. Francois E. Wilhelm, MD*	Unknown pharmaceutical company {Research for his Ph.D. conducted in my laboratory; Degree awarded in Paris, France}
1984-88	Dr. Valerie Leathers*	Biotech company in Maine; PPU
1985-86	Ms. Tsuey-Dawn Yean	Transferred to Ohio State University
1986-87	Mr. Holme Peters	Ph.D. with Dr. J. A. Traugh, UC-Riverside.
1988-97	Dr. Elaine D. Collins	Associate Professor Chemistry, San Jose State University

Visiting Scientists to A. W. Norman Laboratory

1975 – 2003

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1978	Dr. Murray J. Favus	Chicago, IL
1978;1984;1988	Dr. F. Patrick Ross	Johannesburg, South Africa
1980	Dr. Arie Bar	Bet Dagan, Israel
1981 1983	Dr. Norio Ohnuma.	Osaka, Japan
1982,1985	Dr. Roman Lorenc	Warsaw, Poland
1983	Dr. Ole Sorensen	Copenhagen, Denmark
1984;1989;1991	Dr. Ricardo Boland	Bahia Blanca, Argentina
1987	Dr. Seiichi Ishizuka	Tokyo, Japan
1989;1991; 1997	Dr. Ana de Boland	Bahia Blanca, Argentina
1990	Dr. Igor Sergeev	Moscow, USSR
1990	Dr. Kristina Sundell	Goteborg, Sweden
1992	Dr. Shmuel Hurwitz	Bet Dagan, Israel
1992	Dr. Esther Hurwitz	Rehovot, Israel
1993	Ms. Susana Zanello	Bahia Blanca, Argentina
1995-97	Dr. Akira Kato	Tokyo, Japan
1995	Ms. Tiana Michel	Giessen, Germany
1996	Dr. Robert Blair	Vancouver, B.C., Canada
2000; 2002	Dr. Fatima Silva	University of ? Brazil

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His honors include

Mead Johnson Award from the American Institute of Nutrition (1977)

MERIT award from the National Institutes of Health (1986-93)

William F. Neuman Award from the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, (1995)

Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (1995)

Presidential Chair in the UCR Biochemistry Department (1999-2009)

Career Award from the Vitamin D Workshop science community (2009)

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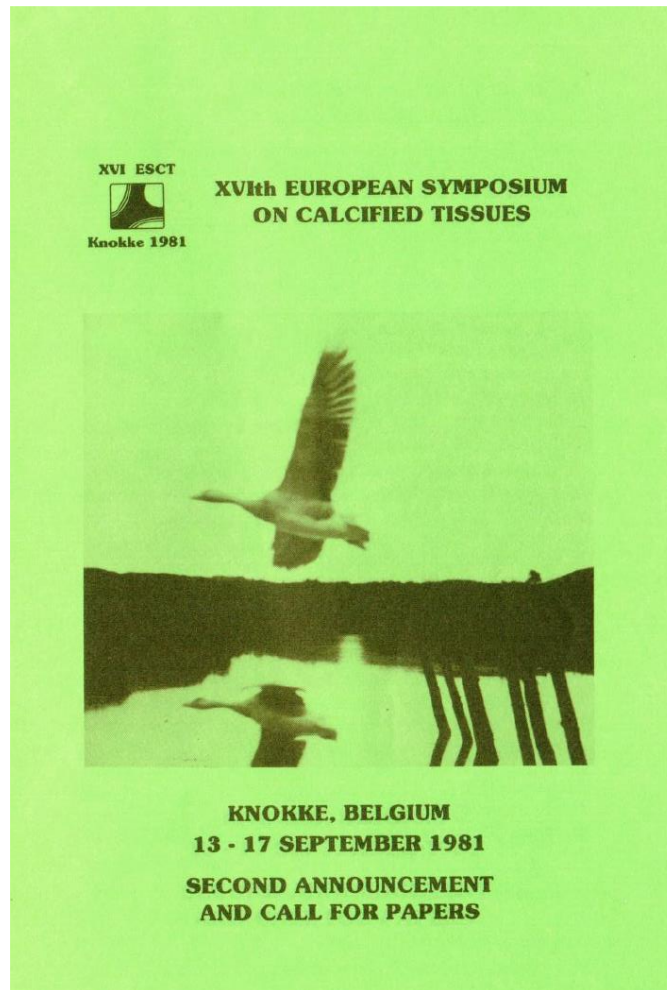
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Sunday
Sep. 13, 1981

Monday
Sep. 14, 1981

08.30 Opening remarks:
M. VERBANCK

PLENARY SESSION I
VITAMIN D

08.45 *A. W. NORMAN*
Vitamin D metabolism

09.30 Oral presentations

11.00 Poster presentations









Cancer Chemoprevention & Cancer Treatment: Is there a role for vitamin D, $1\alpha,25(\text{OH})_2$ -vitamin D_3 , or new analogs (deltanoids)?

Sponsored by The National Cancer Institute, NIH and
The Vitamin D Workshop

Wednesday, November 17 – Friday, November 19, 2004
Natcher Auditorium
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, MD

NO REGISTRATION FEE

Abstract Deadline Date: Monday, September 27, 2004

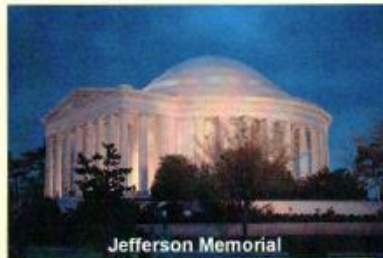
The Scientific Program includes:

30 Invited Speaker Presentations

8 Promoted Speaker Presentations (to be chosen from submitted abstracts)

4 Poster Sessions (poster board size = 4' x 6')

6 Young Investigator Travel Awards



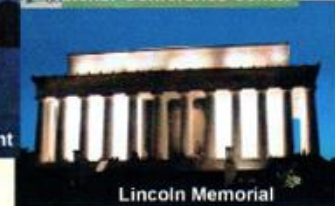
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Washington Monument



Natcher Conference Center



Lincoln Memorial

Organizing Committee:

Anthony Norman, Riverside, CA, USA

J. Carl Barrett, National Cancer Inst., Bethesda, MD USA

Roger Bouillon, Leuven, Belgium

Michael Sporn, Hanover, NH, USA

Check the website for meeting updates including travel and housing information and all necessary forms:

<http://vitamind.ucr.edu/Cancer&CancerChemo.htm>

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History of Vitamin D Workshop

Vitamin D Workshop = Non-profit organization established in 1974.

Dedicated to disseminating scientific research and policy on the biology and health implications of Vitamin D and Vitamin D deficiency.





I, *MARCH FONG EU*, Secretary of State of the State of California, hereby certify:

That the annexed transcript has been compared with the record on file in this office, of which it purports to be a copy, and that same is full, true and correct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I execute this certificate and affix the Great Seal of the State of California this

APR 15 1977



March Fong Eu
Secretary of State

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
VITAMIN D WORKSHOP

Article I

The name of this corporation is Vitamin D Workshop.

Article II

This is a nonprofit corporation organized solely for scientific and educational purposes pursuant to the General Nonprofit Corporation Law of the State of California, specifically, Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code.

Name	Residence
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned, being the persons named above as first trustees, have executed these Articles this day of April, 1977.

Anthony W. Norman
Anthony W. Norman, Ph.D.

Jack W. Coburn
Jack W. Coburn, M.D.

Helen L. Henry
Helen L. Henry, Ph.D.

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The Vitamin D workshop mission

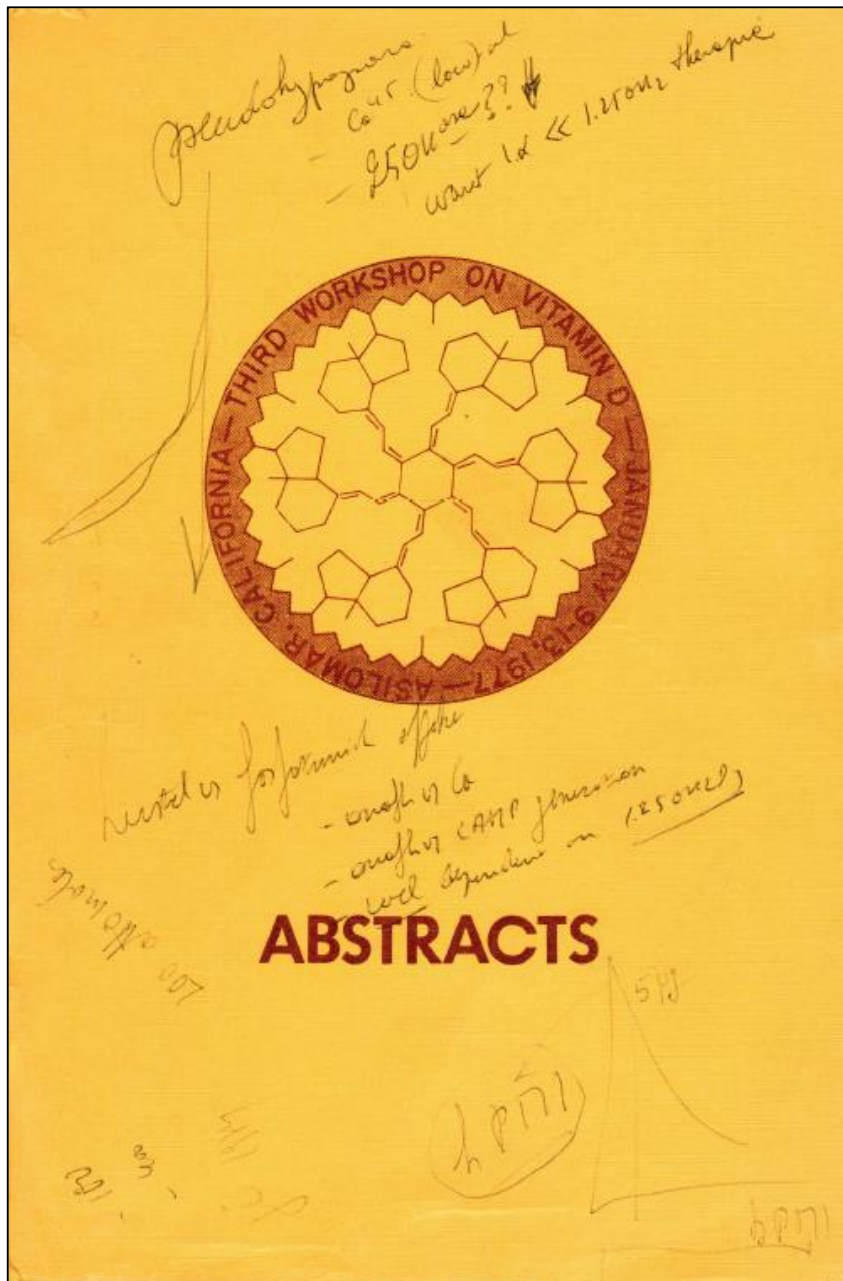
“Facilitate communication between chemists, biologists, biochemists, nutritionists, veterinary experts and physicians from all medical disciplines, including not only those treating bone and mineral diseases, but virtually all subspecialists from dermatologists to epidemiologists, and from pediatricians to geriatricians.

To bring together these groups of people with different “languages - literally and figuratively” and make them understand the message of togetherness rather than division is a mission that Tony again and again fulfilled with compassion and brilliance.”*

* JBMR in memoriam 2019

History of vitamin D workshops

- **1st - Frankfurt, West Germany (1973)**
- **2nd - Wiesbaden, West Germany (1974)**
- **3rd - Asilomar, CA, USA (1977)**



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- **4th - Berlin, West Germany (1979)**
- **5th - Williamsburg, VA, USA (1982)**
- **6th - Merano, Italy (1985)**
- **7th - Rancho Mirage, CA, USA (1988)**

1-7th: co-organizers include: AW Norman, HF DeLuca, J Coburn, D Fraser, HG Grigoleit, D v Herrath , T Suda



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History of Vitamin D Workshops (2)

8th - Paris, France (1991)

Last minute rescheduled from February to July 1991 because of Gulf War

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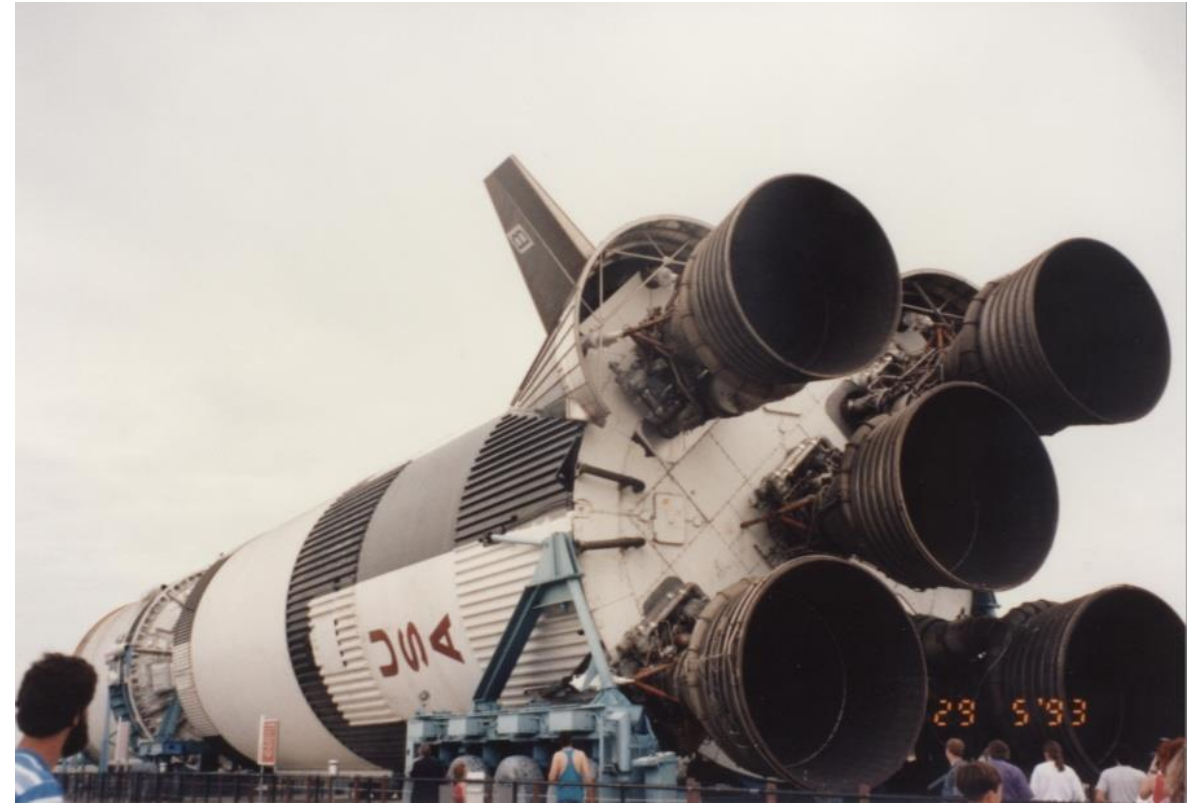
History of Vitamin D Workshops (3)

8th - Paris, France (1991)

9th - Orlando, FL, USA (1994)

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**OUTSTANDING
CAREER AWARDS**



**11th
VITAMIN D
WORKSHOP**

**Pierre J. Meunier, France
E. Barbara Mawer, UK**

**Tatsuo Suda, Japan
Pekka H. Mäenpää, Finland**

Leuven lab dinner during the Nashville meeting



History of vitamin D workshops

- **8th - Paris, France (1991)**
- **9th - Orlando, FL, USA (1994)**
- **10th - Strasbourg, France (1997)**
- **11th - Nashville, TN, USA (2000)**
- **12th - Maastricht, Netherlands (2003)**
- **13th - Victoria, BC, Canada (2006)**
- **14th - Brugge, Belgium (2009)**

- **8th-15th: co-organizers include: A W Norman, M Thomasset and R Bouillon**





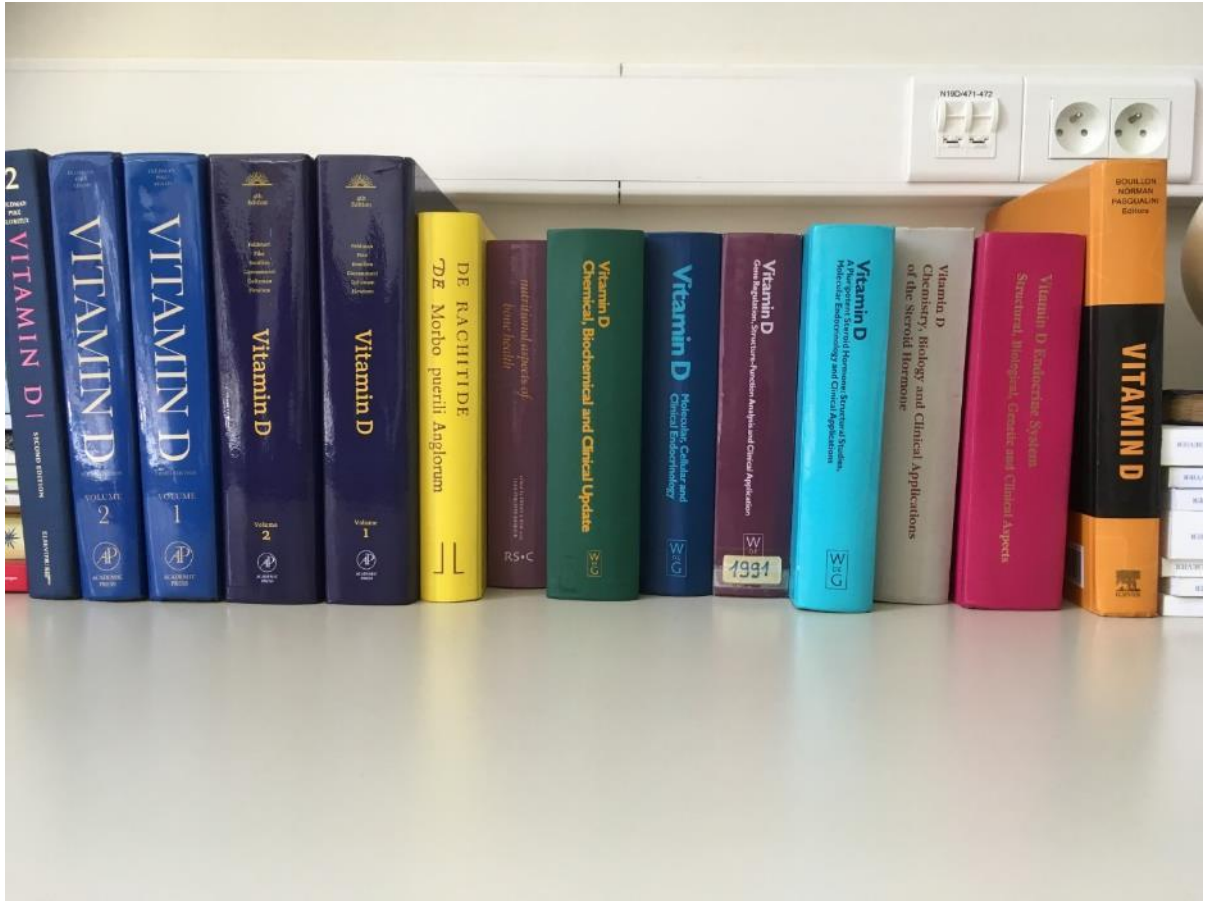


14th VITAMIN D WORKSHOP





Workshop number	Date	Number of delegates	Number of countries
I	October 1973 Frankfurt, West Germany	56	3
II	October 1974 Wiesbaden, West Germany	221	22
III	January 1977 Asilomar, California, USA	332	20
IV	February 1979 Berlin, West Germany	402	26
V	February 1982 Williamsburg, Virginia, USA	455	25
VI	March 1985 Merano, Italy	474	27
VII	April 1988 Rancho Mirage, California, USA	381	24
VIII	July 1991 Paris, France	595	32
IX	May 1994 Orlando, Florida, USA	502	31
X	May 1997 Strasbourg, France	571	37
XI	May 2000 Nashville, Tennessee, USA	376	30
XII	July 2003 Maastricht, The Netherlands	323	30
XIII	April 2006 Victoria, BC, Canada	332	24
XIV	October 2009 Brugge, Belgium	420	35



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Renewed leadership of the Vitamin D Workshop

Planning phase: Description of the Composition and Operation of the Vitamin D

Workshop Executive Committee (WEC)

By Tony Norman, Helen Henry & Roger Bouillon

Final Version June 7, 2012

*“We propose **creation of a Vitamin D Workshop Executive Committee (WEC)** and a Vitamin D Workshop Program Advisory Committee (PAC) that will collectively have responsibility for planning and presenting an annual 2 - 3 day Vitamin D Workshop in the days immediately preceding the US Endocrine Society meeting (at present in the month of June). We keep the option open to organize from time to time a similar type meeting in Europe instead of in North America.”*

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New leadership structure of Vitamin D Workshop (2)

- The remaining funds were transferred to the new organization.
- This was emotionally not an easy decision for Tony, because the workshop was his intellectual “baby.”
- However, this magnanimous decision perfectly reflects Tony’s attitude and lifestyle: **science and scientific transparency and integrity come well before personal “ego” or status.***

* cited from JBMR 2019 “in memoriam”

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History of Vitamin D Workshops (5)

15th - Houston, TX, USA (2012)

16th - San Francisco, CA, USA (2013)

17th - Chicago, IL, USA (2014)

18th - Delft, Netherlands (2015)

19th - Boston, MA, USA (2016)

20th - Orlando, FL, USA (2017)

21st - Barcelona, Spain (2018)

22nd - New York City, NY (2019)

After 15th meeting: creation of a vitamin D Workshop Executive Committee of about 8 rotating members with AWNorman and R Bouillon as ex-officio non-voting members

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History of Vitamin D Workshops (6)

The WEC is planning the next Vitamin D Workshop which will be held on the Gold Coast of Australia in August 2020.

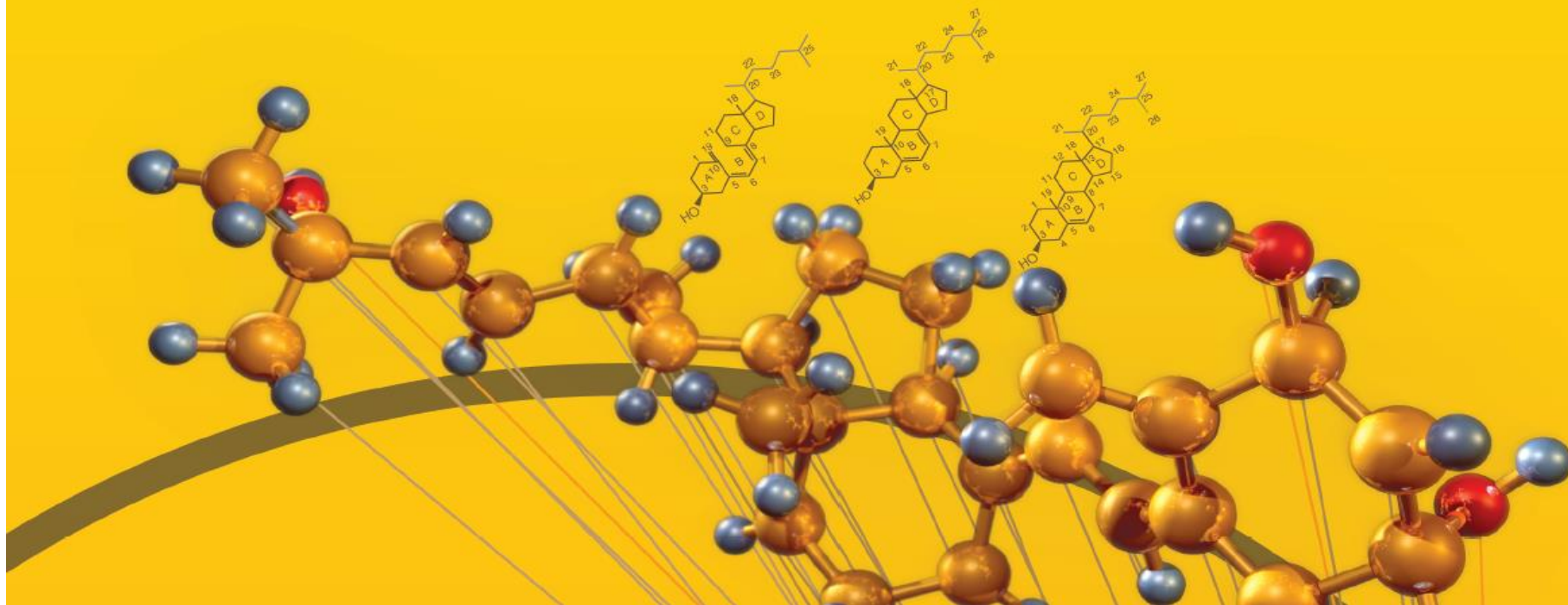
The 2020 meeting will be chaired by Dr. Peter Ebeling of Monash University, Melbourne, Australia

VITAMIN D WORKSHOP

2014 17th Workshop
June 17th-20th
(ENDO 2014, June 21st-24th)
Chicago, IL

2015 18th Workshop
April 21st-24th
Delft, The Netherlands

2016 19th Workshop
March 28th-31st
(ENDO 2016, April 1st-4th)
Boston, MA







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**The Journal of Steroid Biochemistry and Molecular
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[Volume 121, Issues 1–2](#), July 2010, Pages 4-6

Editorial

**14th Vitamin D Workshop consensus on
vitamin D nutritional guidelines** [☆](#)

Helen L.Henry RogerBouillon Anthony W.Norman J. ChristopherGallagher PaulLips Robert
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R.Ebeling

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VDW & WHO involvement to eradicate rickets

Joint WHO – VDW symposium in Delft 2015

Review Prevention and consequences of vitamin D deficiency in pregnant and lactating women and children:

A symposium to prioritise vitamin D on the global agenda

Inez Schoenmakers*, John M. Pettifor, Juan-Pablo Peña-Rosas, Christel Lamberg-Allardt, Nick Shaw, Kerry S. Jones, Paul Lips, Francis H. Glorieux, Roger Bouillon

Journal of Steroid Biochemistry & Molecular Biology 164 (2016) 156–160

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Early independent research in UCR (1963 onwards)

!!! Combined with postdoctoral research in the area of oxidative phosphorylation in the laboratory of Nobel Laureate Paul D Boyer at the University of LA

Choice of research area:

Biochemical, cellular and molecular endocrinology, and
physiology of the vitamin D endocrine system

Why his choice of vitamin D was very wise???

→ End of the present lecture



FRANCISCI GLISSONII;
*Med. Doct. & Profess. pub. in Alma Cantab. Acad. &
Collegii Medicorum Londin. Socii.*
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MORBO PUERILI,
Subtextis continuè Observationibus
GEORGII BATE
&
AHASUERI REGEMORTERI,
*Medicinz Doctorum ejusdemque Collegii
Londinensis Sociorum.*
Editio Postrema.



HAGÆ-COMITIS,
Apud ARNOLDUM LEERS.
M, DC, LXXXII.

DISPUTATIO MEDICA
INAUGVRALIS,
DE
Morbo puerili Anglorum,
quem patrio idiômate indigenæ
vocant
The Rickets,

QVAM
Deo suppetias ferente,
*Ex autoritate Nobilissimi Domini Rectoris Magnifici,
D. JOHANNIS POLYANDRI & KERCHOVEN
SS. Theologiæ-Doctoris, ejusdemque Facultatis in Illu-
strissima Acad. Lugd. Bat. Professorum primarii,
Decreto Illustrissima Facultatis Medicæ, & Amplissimi Senatûs
Academici consensu,*
Pro Gradu Doctoratûs, summisque in Medicinâ Privilegiis
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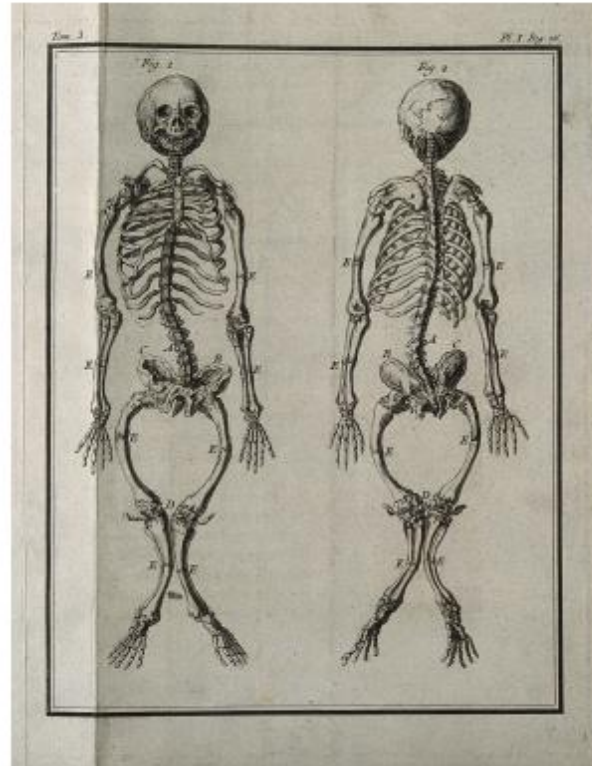
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Rickets

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Skeletons affected by rickets, 1749.

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Rickets is a deficiency disease caused by a lack of minerals in the bones. In the 1800s the disease was widespread in the poor districts of industrial cities in Great Britain and the United States.

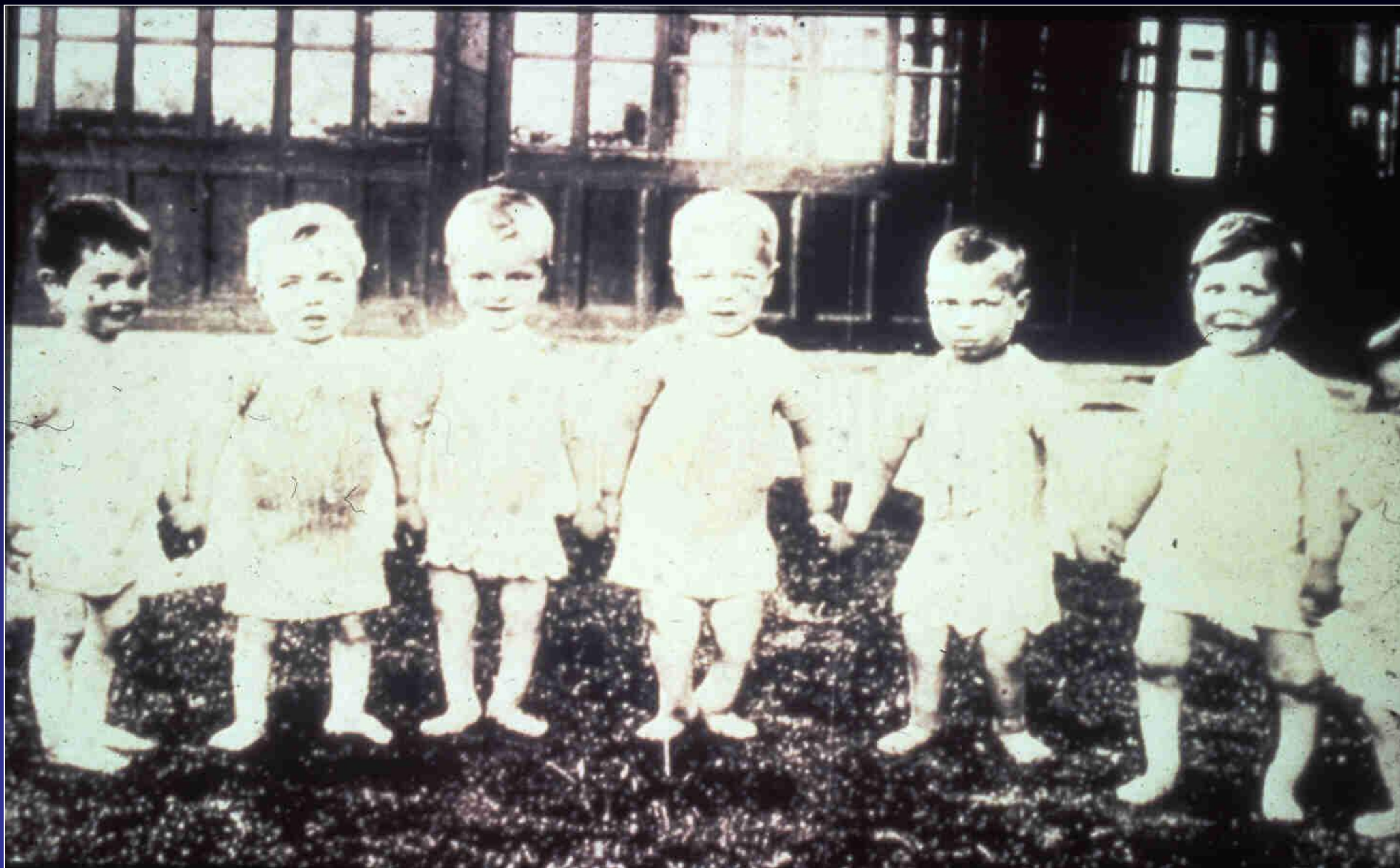
Prevalence of rickets in early 20th century

Hess 1917 : all “negro” children living in New York have some degree of rickets

Schmorl 1909 : mild and severe rickets at autopsy (1901-1908) of young children: 94% and 45%, respectively, in Dresden (Germany)

Follis et al, 1952 : based on autopsy data of children, respectively, aged 0-2 years (Baltimore area 1926-42)

56% and 72% of all white or “negro” children have some form of rickets,
8% and 33% had severe rickets



+D
30 DAYS OLD
262 gms.

-D
30 DAYS OLD
117 gms.



Rickets in early 20th century (1)

Cod liver oil and cure of rickets

- **Hess (US) – JAMA 1917;69:1583**
Clinical non randomized trial of **AfroAmerican children** in NY proved efficacy of **cod liver oil to prevent/cure rickets**

Confirmed by:

- **Mellanby family (UK) – Lancet 1919**
- **MacCollum (US) – J Biol Chem 1921;45:333–42**

Rickets in early 20th century (2)

UV B light and cure of rickets

- Huldschinsky, 1919 : Rickets in children can be cured by artificial UV light (mercury vapor lamp)

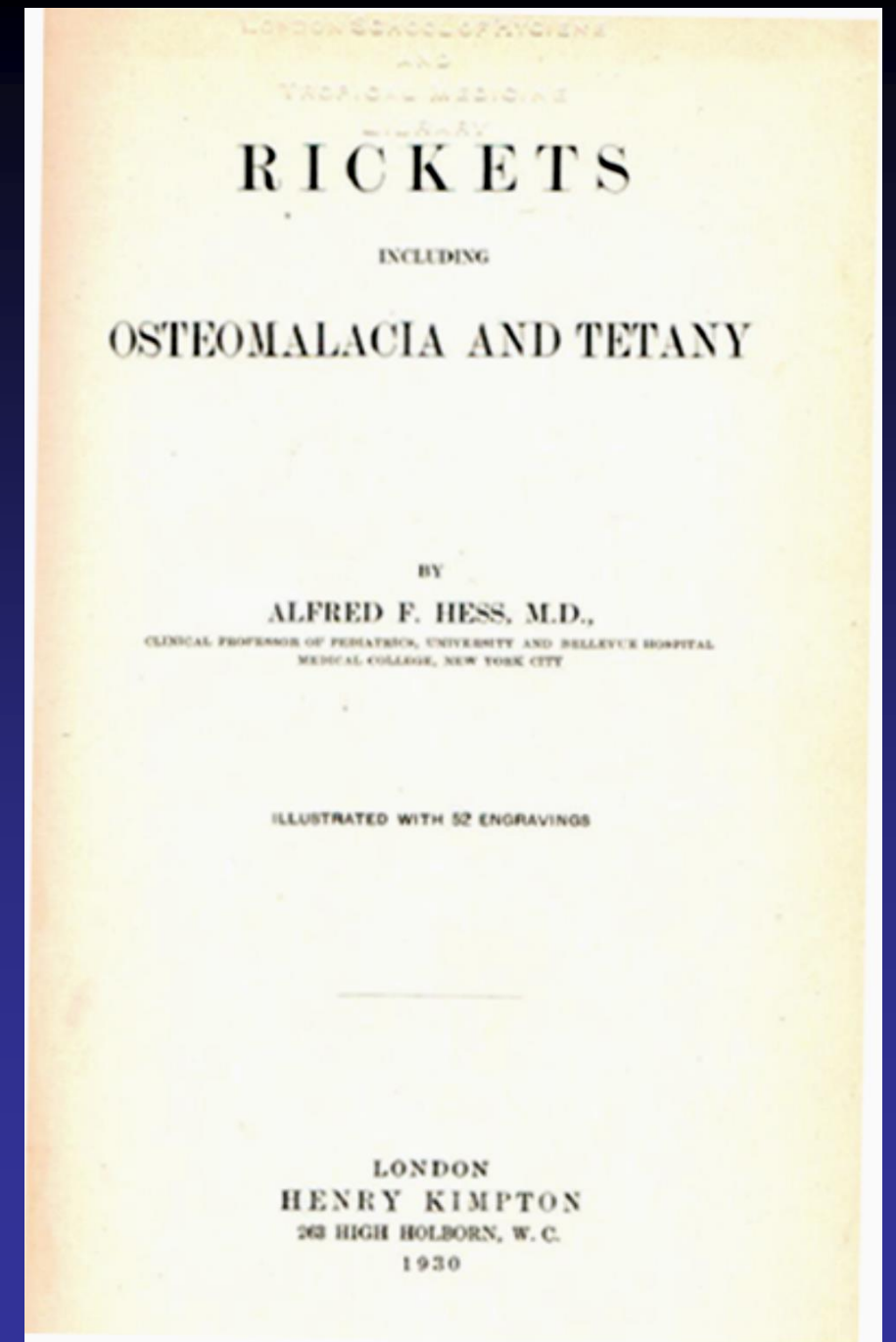
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- Hess, 1921 JAMA, 77:39 : Infantile rickets cured by artificial light and sunlight
- Harry Steenbock (US) 1924 : UV-irradiated vegetable oil can cure rickets (patent Wisconsin University)



“within the next decade* or even sooner, it [rickets] will be almost completely eradicated, so that it will become as rare as infantile scurvy since the wide-spread use of orange juice”

* *[text written in 1929]*



Examples of reported prevalence of rickets in Africa, Middle East and Asia*

Country	Year	Rate%	Method
Mongolia	1998	70	Rickets signs
Tibet	1994	66	Rickets signs
Ethiopia	1997	42	X-rays
Yemen	1987	27	—
Turkey	1994	10	—
Nigeria	1998	9	Rickets signs
Iran	1975	15	X-rays
China	1977–83	47	Rickets signs
		3.7	X-rays/biochem
The Gambia (West Kiang)	2007	3.3	Rickets signs
		0.6	Physician exam
Bangladesh (Chittagong)	2008	2.2	Rickets signs
		1.0	X-rays

P: population sample,

H: hospital-based sample,

*H**: children admitted to hospital with pneumonia,

V: children attending for vaccination.

* Prentice

Memorandum for WHO to ERADICATE nutritional RICKETS BEFORE 2030

1st step: appoint a task force on behalf of ISE, IFMRS, US and EU Pediatric Endo Societies and vitamin D workshop to prepare a motivated memorandum for WHO

2th step: convince leadership of WHO in Geneva

3th step: as many as possible countries, member of WHO, ask WHO to implement plan to eradicate nutritional rickets in the world before 2030

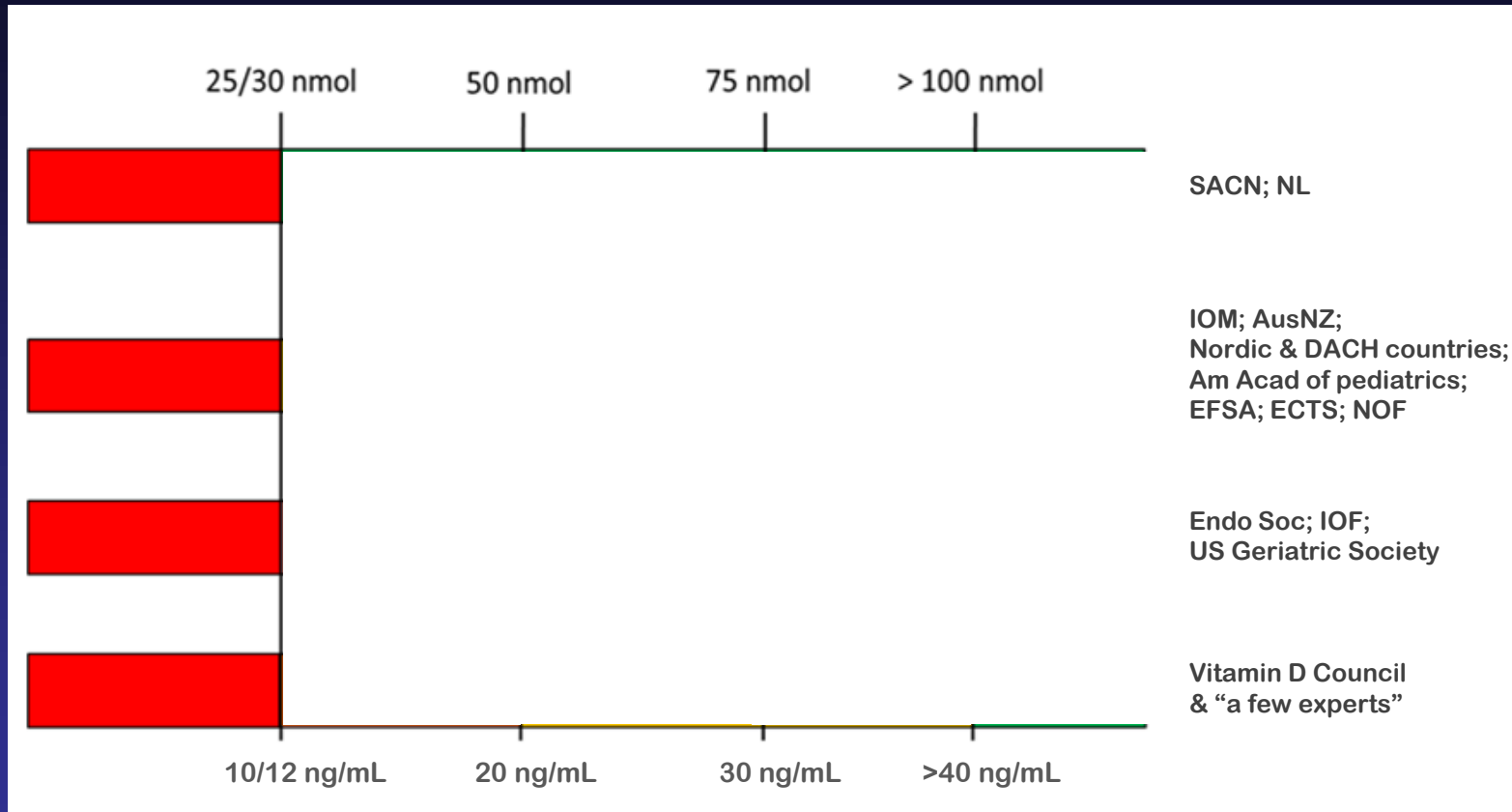
4th step: approval of implementation plan by General Assembly of WHO

5th step: support by other agencies and foundations such as UNICEF, Bill & Melinda Gates and Thrasher foundations to support the implementation of this plan

6th step: monitoring implementation plan and progress

*** ~~ project in line with the WHO and its member states project to eradicate iodine deficiency disorders

Vitamin D Bouillon, NatRevEndo 2017



*-----> e.g. Chapuy et al

*----->

*-----> ViDA - VITAL

Vitamin D deficiency around the world

Serum 25OHD nmol/L	< 25/30	< 50
World overview ¹	6.7 %	37 %
US: NHANES 2010 data ² (> 12 yrs)	6.7 %	26 %
EU countries (adults) ³	13 %	40 %
Middle East/N Africa ⁴		
Iran & Jordan	~ 50 %	90 %
African countries ⁵	< 0.1%	7 %
China ⁶	~ 37 %	~ 72 %
Mongolia ⁴	~ 50 %	

¹ Hilger 2014 168,000 subjects from 44 countries

² Schleicher et al AJCN 2016 (adjusted 25OHD method)

³ Cashman et al EJCN (adjusted 25OHD method)

⁴ Arabi et al NatRevEndo 2014

⁵ Durazo-Arvisu et al AJCN 2014 (Ghana, Seychelles)

⁶ Zhang et al Nutr 2013 (estimated from meta analysis in adults)

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1. Biochemist and Scientist
2. Mentor and distinguished professor
3. Principal Steward of the vitamin D science



Biochemist, Mentor, Distinguished Professor and Principal Steward of Vitamin D Science (1938–2019): Summary



1. Biochemist and Scientist

← major contributions in clarifying the black box of how vitamin D works to cure rickets:

from a black box in 1920 to a complex endocrine system in 2020

← Crucial contributions in understanding of genomic and non-genomic actions of vitamin D

+ author of > 700 pubmed publications with > 30,000 citations and a H index of nearly 100

2. .../...

Biochemist, Mentor, Distinguished Professor and Principal Steward of Vitamin D Science (1938–2019): Summary

2. Mentor and distinguished professor

- ← mentor of a very large number of PhD students
- ← author of several handbooks and book chapters
- ← major role in UCR and science organisations/journals

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Biochemist, Mentor, Distinguished Professor and Principal Steward of Vitamin D Science (1938–2019)

3 . Principal Steward of the vitamin D science

← created a real vitamin D community by

Vitamin D Workshop from 1973 – today and prospering – THE leading science meeting on this nutrient and hormone

organiser of other vitamin D related meetings (NIH – ASBMR meetings – non-genomic meetings)

← Defining and supporting science policies for optimal use of vitamin D

- general public

- specific focus on project on eradication of rickets



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Message from the Vitamin D Workshop

&

Dan Bikle



Memories of Tony Norman

By Daniel Bikle



- I was a medical student in the 60's working in the Rasmussen lab when I became interested in vitamin D.
- Tony had recently started his lab in Riverside having moved from Madison in 1963.
- In those days the vitamin D community was pretty small and dominated by Tony and Hector DeLuca.
- But exciting developments were emerging as vitamin D metabolism to its active metabolites, most especially $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}$, and discovery of its genomic actions such as the induction of calbindin and cloning and sequencing of the vitamin D receptor started to galvanize the field
- Thus by the early 70's Tony realized the time had come to bring the now blossoming vitamin D community together.

Memories of Tony Norman

By Daniel Bikle



- After two workshops in Europe, the Vitamin D workshop came to the States, in particular to Asilomar in 1977.
- What a lovely setting. I was now in San Francisco having completed my medical and graduate school training but still pursuing my interests in vitamin D
- Tony and Helen had recently given birth to Derek, and my wife and I to our first child. So some bonding of proud parents contributed to the atmosphere.
- The workshops starting with Asilomar were every 3 years and always in great locations. I did not miss a one. They really forged the international vitamin D community.

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- With the discovery of the vitamin D receptor in most tissues and recognition that vitamin D affected many physiologic processes with potentially wide clinical application, this community had grown considerably and with great diversity.
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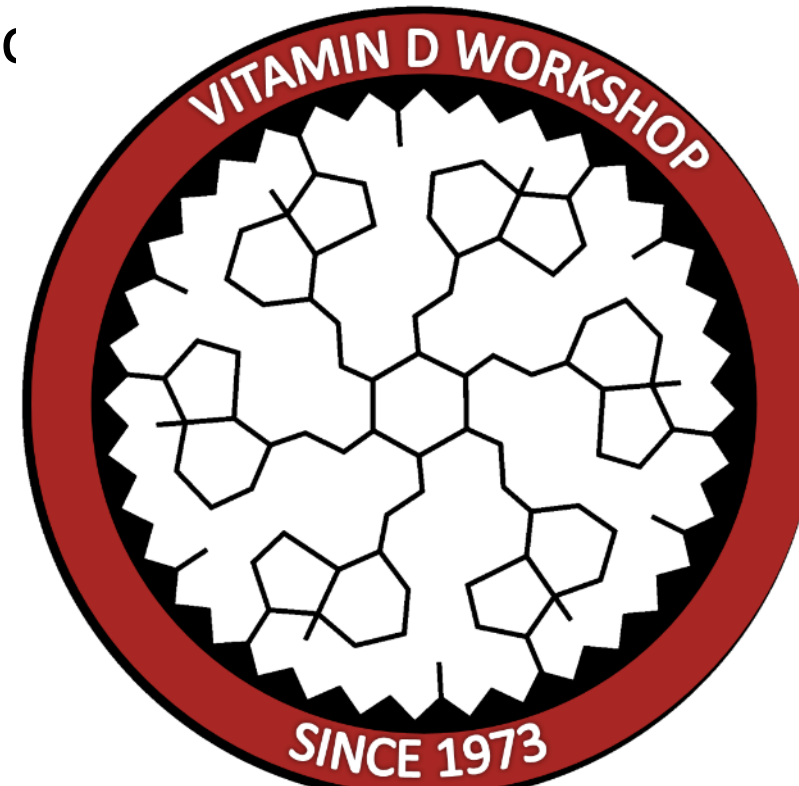
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1. Summary

2. Personal notes from Roger Bouillon

From 1974 – 1981 to 2019





DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY

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December 7, 1981

Dr. Roger Bouillon
Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven
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Dear Dr. Bouillon:

This is written on behalf of the faculty of the Department of Biochemistry at the University of California, Riverside to request your assistance in evaluating the scientific record and status of one of our faculty members, Anthony W. Norman. Dr. Norman is being considered for advancement and outside opinions from outstanding individuals with knowledge of the candidate's research are an important consideration in our deliberations. Enclosed is a copy of Dr. Norman's current bibliography. We would appreciate comments based on his published record and on personal contact.

The information you submit will be maintained in confidence pursuant to University policy. Although on rare occasions, disclosure of confidential personnel records may be required by law, the University will attempt to maintain confidentiality to the fullest extent possible. I would appreciate receiving your letter by the end of the year.

Thank you for help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jolinda A. Traugh, Chair
Department of Biochemistry

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Enclosure

January 15, 1982

Dr. Jolinda A. TRAUGH
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Dear Dr. Traugh,

the personal contributions of Professor Norman, especially :

- the discovery of 1,25-(OH)₂D as the vitamin D steroid hormone
- his extensive work on the characterization of the vitamin D receptor
- the discovery of the parathyroid and islet cells as possible target organs for vitamin D





Vitamin D and bone health

Conclusions (1)

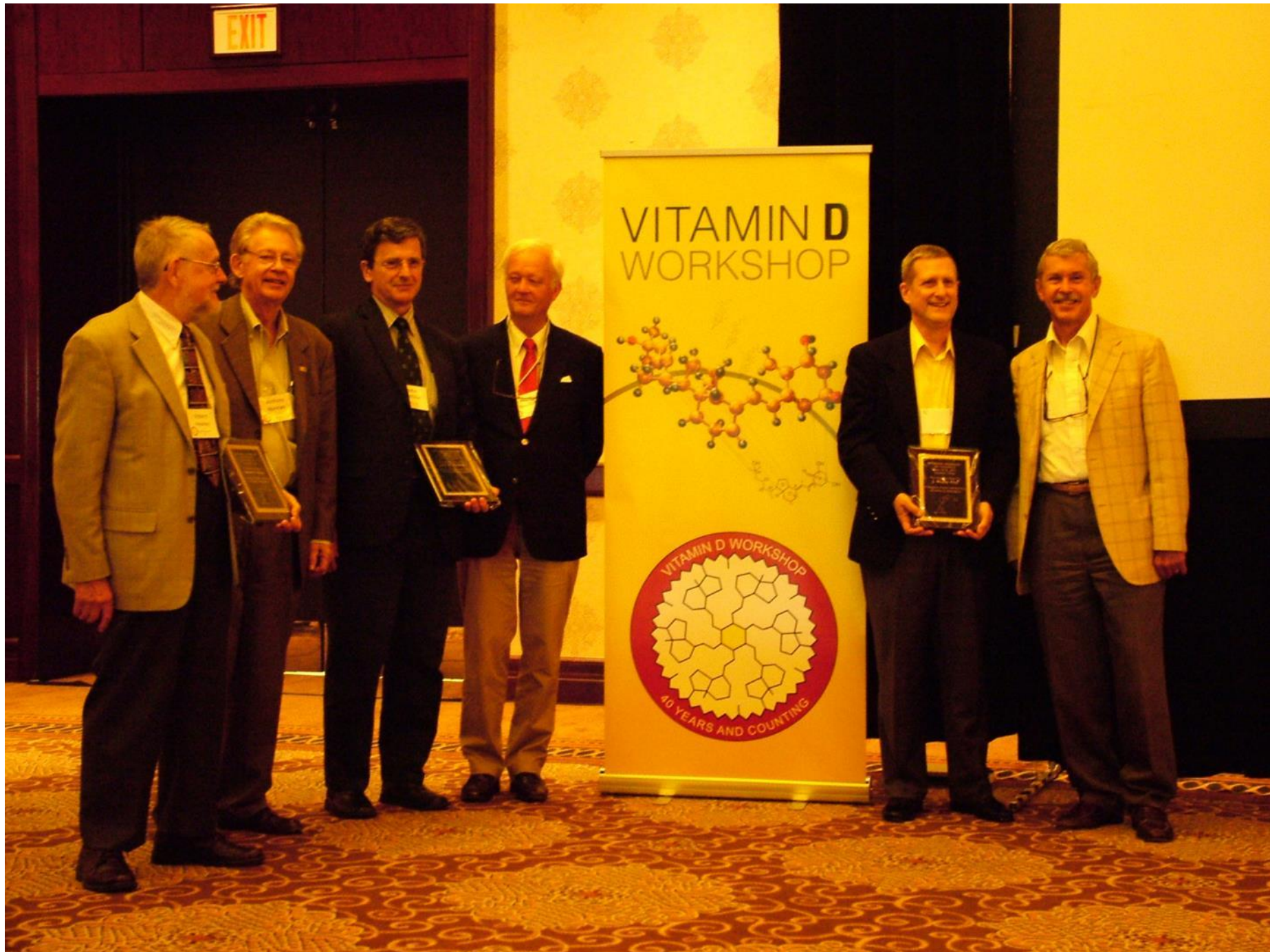
- Osteoporotic fractures can be reduced by about 20% by calcium + ~800 IU vitamin D
- Vitamin D 800 IU/d will increase serum 25(OH)D to ~28 ng/mL
- 25(OH)D >20 ng/mL = 50 nmol/L in >>90% of population
- Serum 25(OH)D <20 ng/mL









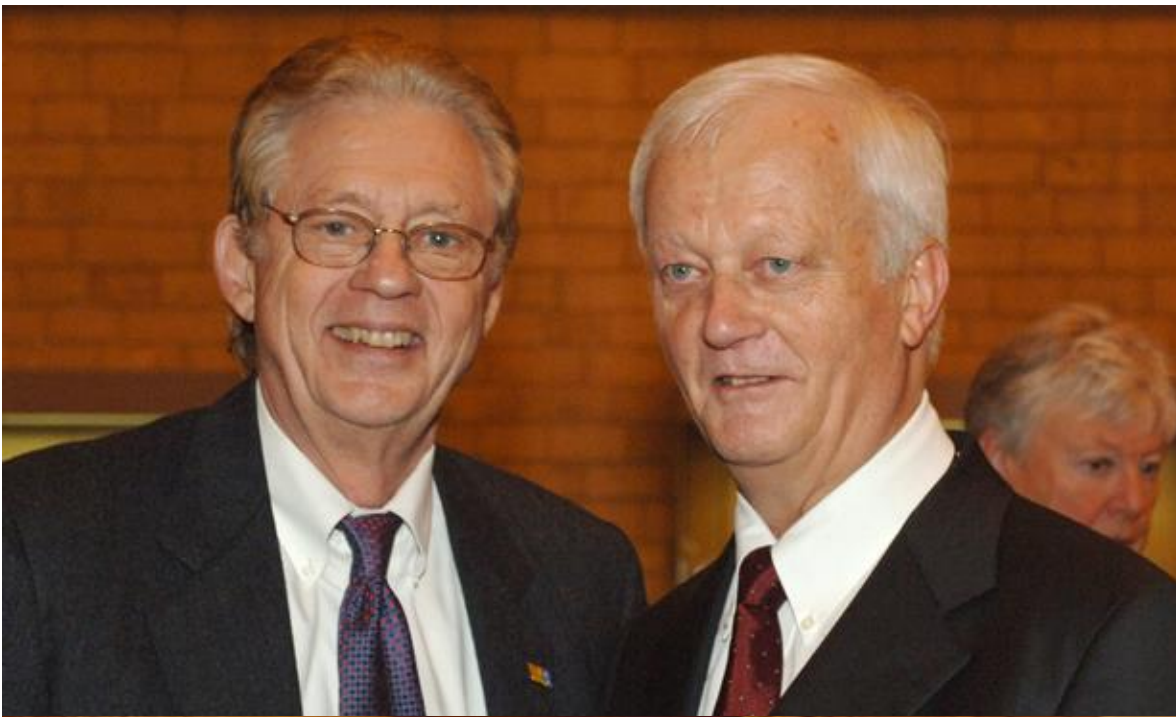




























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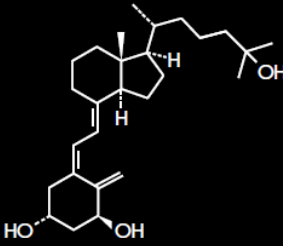


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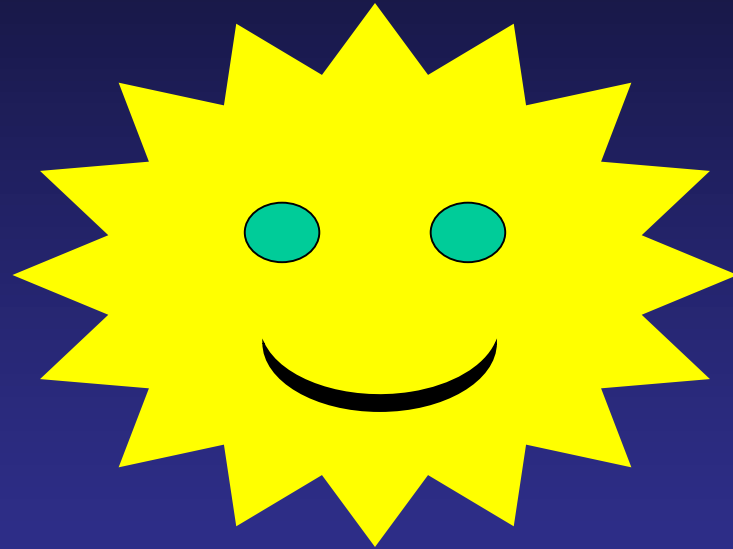
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for his major contributions in vitamin D research and for organizing the premier scientific meeting in the discipline of vitamin D




(co) Chairpersons of Houston to Gold coast VDWs 2012-2020

Bright sunny future for vitamin D



Thank you Tony for making this possible!!!