



# Ernährung Vitamine



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## Overview

1- Who needs Vitamin Supplements?

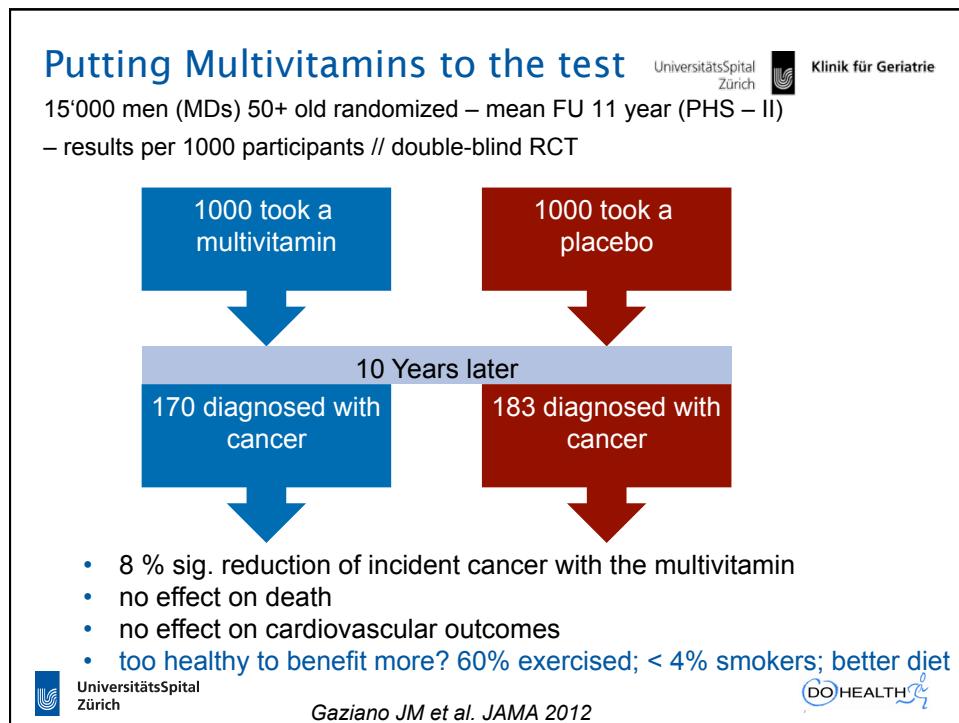
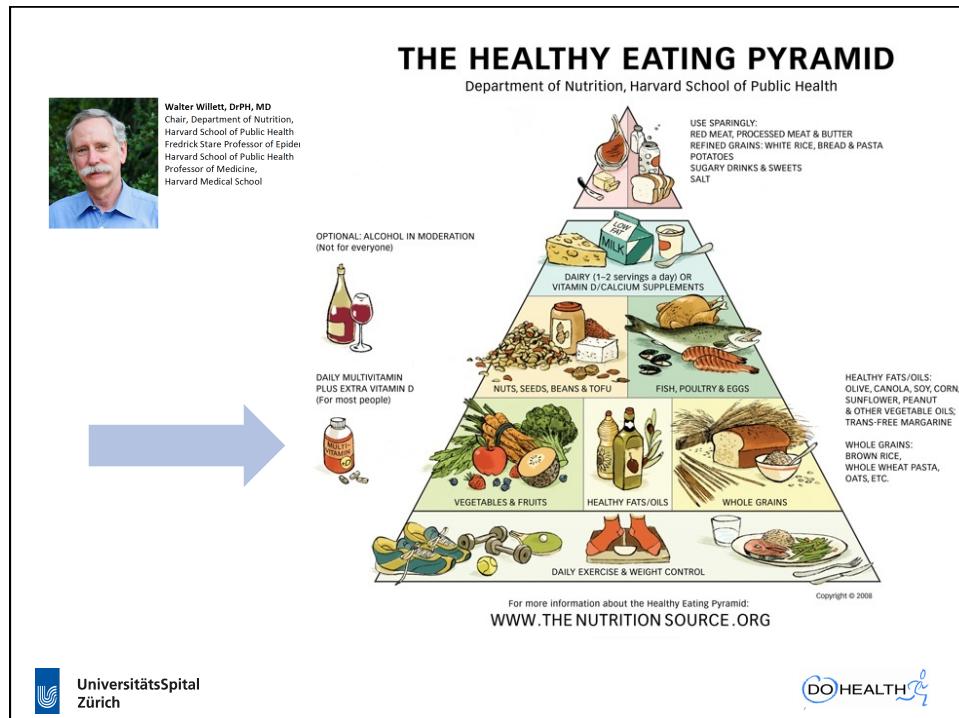
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## Concept change

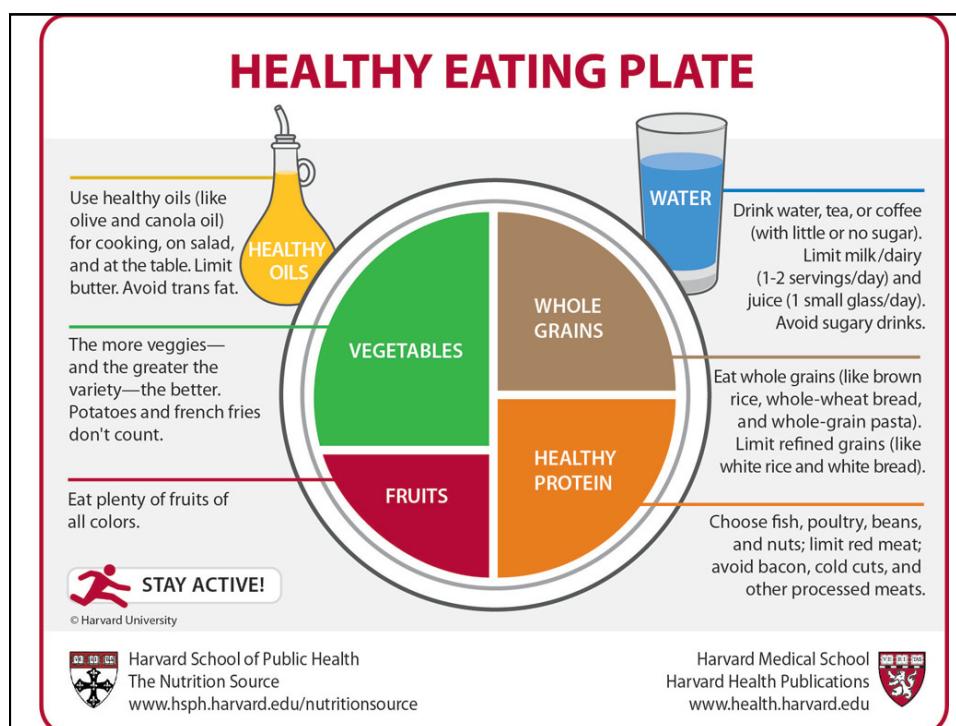
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- Much of the 20<sup>th</sup> century was a research about single nutrient benefits
- **This has changed:** we are looking at whole foods and how to build a **healthy plate**
- Eat lots of fruits and vegetables, whole grains, along with healthy sources of protein and fats
- All vitamins (apart from vitamin D) are covered by a healthy diet – **however not all eat a healthy diet**



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**A multivitamin is a supplement / insurance  
and not a substitute for a healthy diet**

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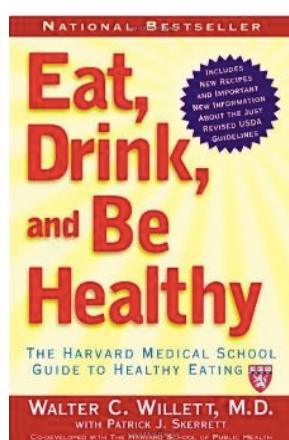


Ingredients	Daily Amount	% Daily Value
Vitamin A (as natural beta carotene)	2,000 IU	40
Vitamin C (ascorbic acid)	150 mg	250
Vitamin D (cholecalciferol)	1000 IU	250
Vitamin E (as d-alpha tocopherol)	200 IU	667
Thiamine (vitamin B <sub>1</sub> as HCl)	1.5 mg	100
Riboflavin (vitamin B <sub>2</sub> )	2 mg	118
Niacinamide (niacinamide/vitamin B <sub>3</sub> )	20 mg	100
Vitamin B <sub>6</sub> (pyridoxine hydrochloride)	10 mg	500
Folic acid (folate, vitamin B <sub>9</sub> )	400 mcg	100
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub> (cyanocobalamin)	400 mcg	6,667
Pantothenic acid (as calcium pantothenate)	10 mg	100
Magnesium (as magnesium oxide)	200 mg	50
Zinc (zinc oxide)	15 mg	100
Selenium (as selenium chelate)	100 mcg	143
Chromium (as chromium amino acid chelate)	100 mcg	83

**Eat, drink and be healthy**

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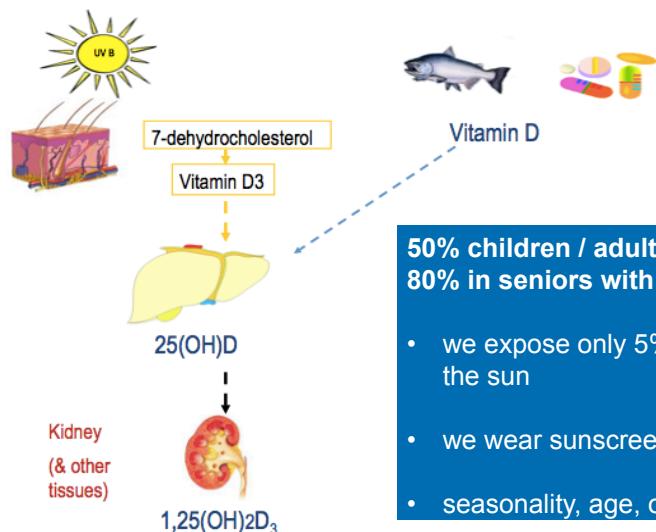
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## Special Case Vitamin D

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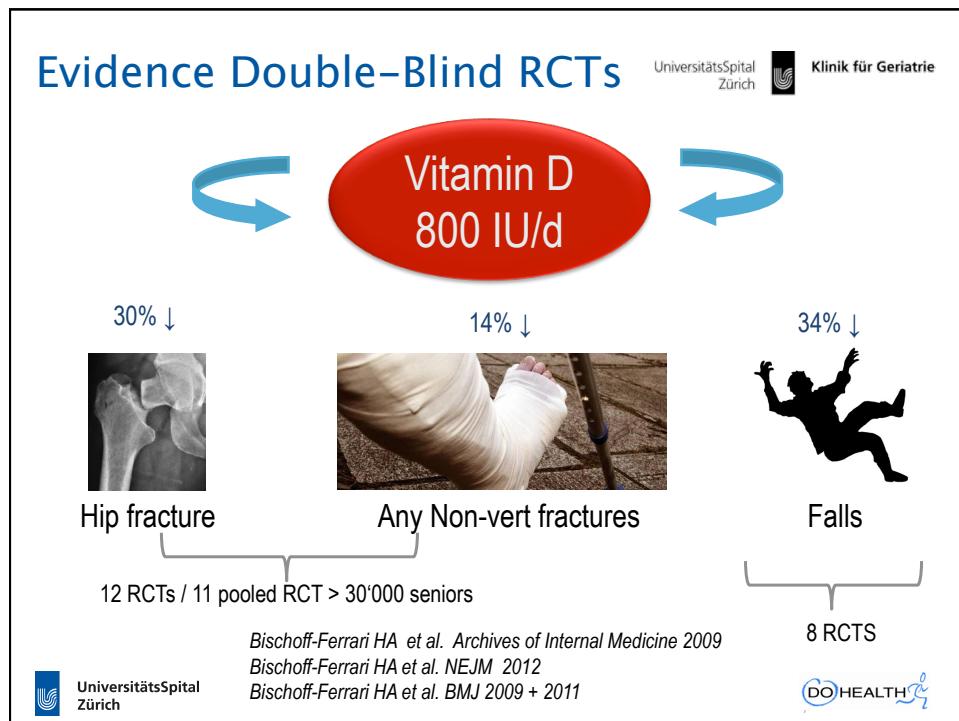
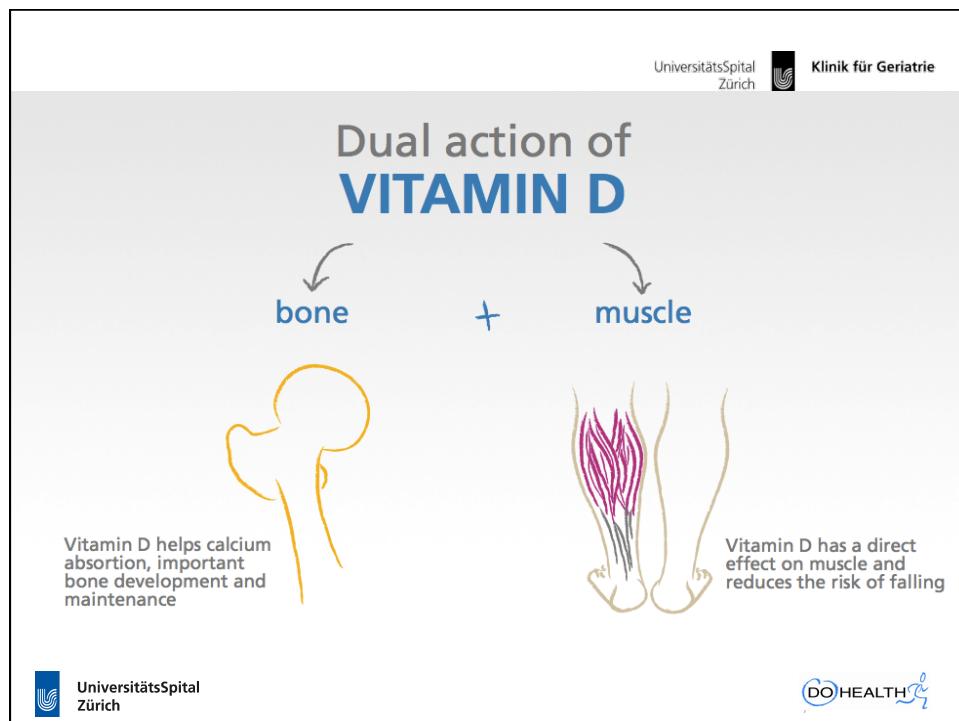


**50% children / adults are deficient  
80% in seniors with hip fracture**

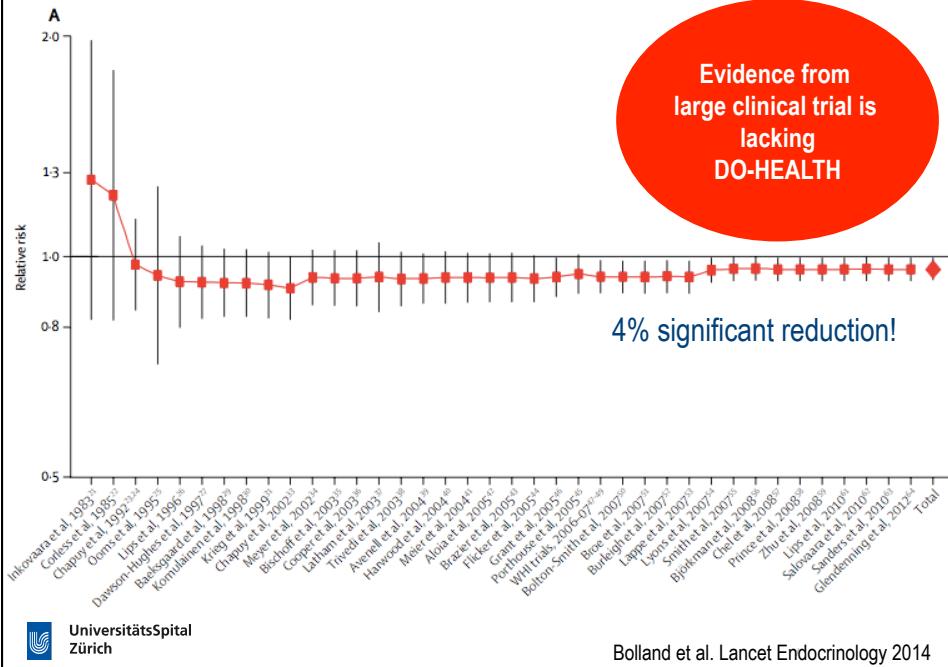
- we expose only 5% of our skin to the sun
- we wear sunscreen
- seasonality, age, obesity

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## Mortality after Vitamin D Supplementation



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SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

Next step DO-HEALTH to test 2000 IU/day benefits on health

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## BAG 2012 – Vitamin D

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Klassifikation	Serum 25(OH)D nmol/l (ng/ml)	Klinische Implikationen
<b>Schwerer Vitamin D-Mangel</b>	< 25 nmol/l (< 10 ng/ml)	Erhöhtes Risiko von Rachitis, Osteomalacie, sekundärem Hyperparathyreoidismus, Myopathie, Stürzen und Frakturen
<b>Vitamin D-Insuffizienz</b>	25 to 50 nmol/l (10 to 20 ng/ml)	Erhöhtes Risiko von Knochenverlust, sekundärem Hyperparathyreoidismus, von Stürzen und Frakturen
<b>Vitamin D – Mangel</b>	< 50 nmol/l (< 20 ng/ml)	fasst schweren Mangel und Insuffizienz zusammen (Siehe oben)
<b>Zielwert für adäquaten Vitamin D Spiegel</b>	> 50 nmol/l (> 20 ng/ml)	Niedriges Risiko für Knochenabbau und sekundärem Hyperparathyreoidismus, neutrale Wirkung auf Stürze und Frakturen
<b>Wünschenswerter Zielwert für Sturz und Frakturreduktion</b>	75 nmol/l (30 ng/ml)	Optimale Suppression von Parathormon und Knochenabbau; Verminderung von Stürzen und Frakturen um 20%



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<b>Vitamin D Zufuhr</b>	Schweizer Allgemein-Bevölkerung	Personen mit schwerem Vitamin-D-Mangel 25(OH)D-Konzentrationen < 25 nmol/l	Beide Gruppen	UniversitätsSpital Zürich Klinik für Geriatrie	<b>Neue Empfehlungen</b> <b>BAG für Vitamin D 2012</b>
<b>Kinder / Jugendliche</b>					
0-6 Monate	400 IE (10 µg)	400 - 1000 IE (10 - 25 µg)	1000 IE (25 µg)		<b>Ziel</b> Shift von 97%+ der Bevölkerung auf normalen 25(OH)D Spiegel
6-12 Monate	400 IE (10 µg)	400 - 1000 IE (10 - 25 µg)	1500 IE (37.5 µg)		50+ nmol/l 20+ ng/ml
1-3 Jahre	600 IE (15 µg)	600 - 1000 IE (15 - 25 µg)	2500 IE (62.5 µg)		
4-8 Jahre	600 IE (15 µg)	600 - 1000 IE (15 - 25 µg)	3000 IE (75 µg)		
9-18 Jahre	600 IE (15 µg)	600 - 1000 IE (15 - 25 µg)	4000 IE (100 µg)		
<b>Erwachsene</b>					
19-59 Jahre	600 IE (15 µg)	1500 - 2000 IE (37.5 - 50 µg)	4000 IE (100 µg)		für die Knochen- gesundheit in jedem Alter
> 60 Jahre	800 IE (20 µg)	1500 - 2000 IE (37.5 - 50 µg)	4000 IE (100 µg)		
<b>Schwangere und stillende Frauen</b>					
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## Case report NEJM 2013

- Over the course of two months, a 62-year-old man developed numbness and a “pins and needles” sensation in his hands
- had trouble walking, experienced severe joint pain, began turning yellow, and became progressively short of breath.
- **The cause was lack of vitamin B<sub>12</sub>**

## Risk Factors B12 – deficiency

- over 50 years old – **prevalence is 20 to 25 %**
- proton-pump inhibitor or H2 blocker
- Vegetarian
- weight-loss surgery or have a condition that interferes with the absorption of food

**B 12 deficiency**

Not enough intake through diet  
(sources are animal products  
such as meat and dairy)

Malabsorption  
(severe deficiency in  
autoimmune gastritis  
pernicious anemia)

## Symptoms B12 – deficiency causes reversible megaloblastic anemia, demyelinating neurologic disease, or both

- strange sensations, **numbness, or tingling in the hands, legs, or feet**
- **difficulty walking** (staggering, balance problems)
- **anemia**
- a swollen, inflamed tongue
- yellowed skin (jaundice)
- **difficulty thinking and reasoning (cognitive difficulties), or memory loss**
- paranoia or hallucinations
- **weakness**
- **fatigue**

**Symptoms frequently  
seen in seniors**

## Think of D-deficiency and B-12 deficiency



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