

Degenerative Bone Disease

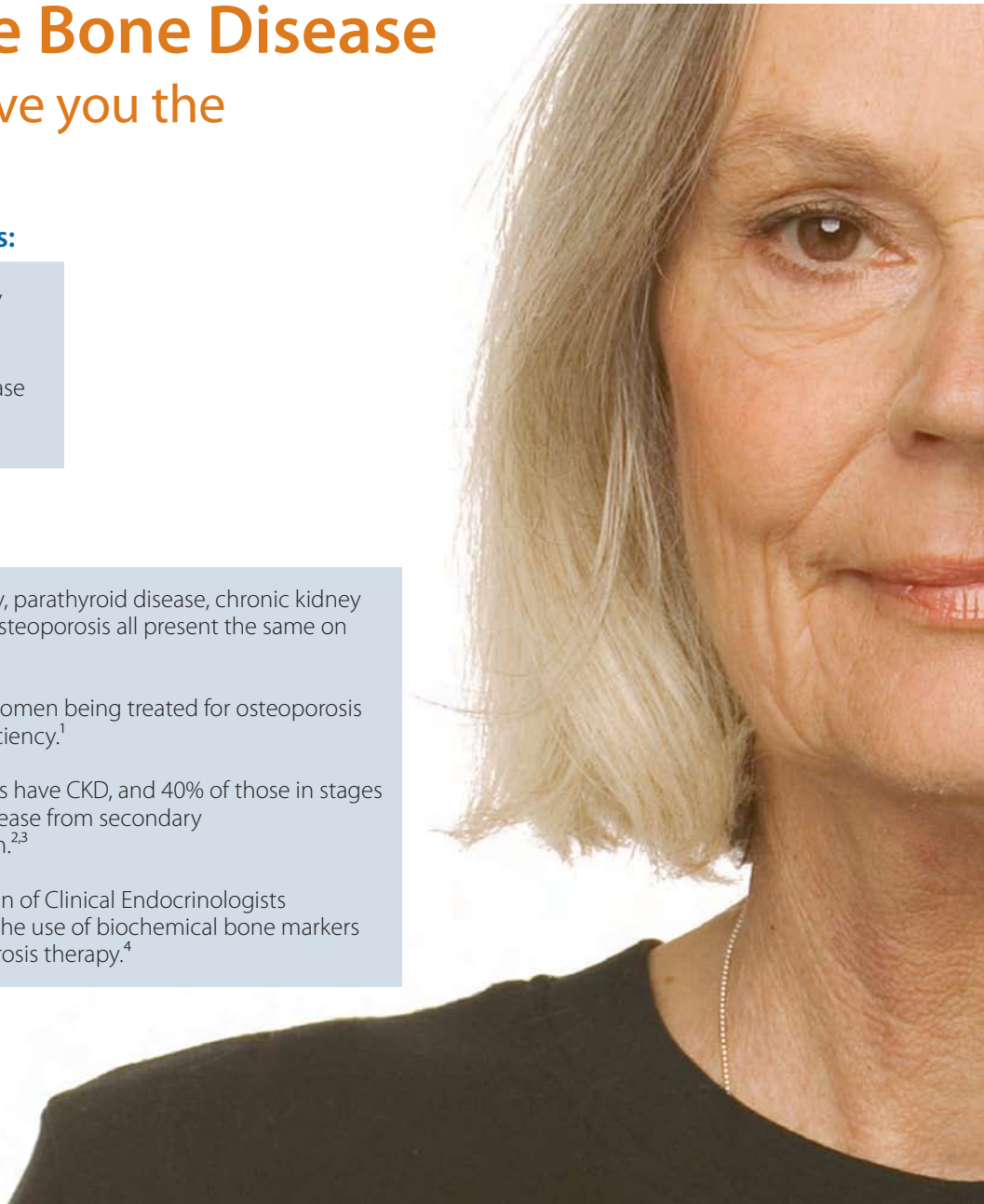
Do bone scans give you the whole picture?

Common causes:

- Vitamin D deficiency
- Parathyroid disease
- Chronic kidney disease
- Senile osteoporosis

The facts:

- Vitamin D deficiency, parathyroid disease, chronic kidney disease and senile osteoporosis all present the same on a bone scan.¹
- More than 50% of women being treated for osteoporosis have vitamin D deficiency.¹
- 20 million Americans have CKD, and 40% of those in stages 3-5 exhibit bone disease from secondary hyperparathyroidism.^{2,3}
- American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists guidelines support the use of biochemical bone markers to monitor osteoporosis therapy.⁴

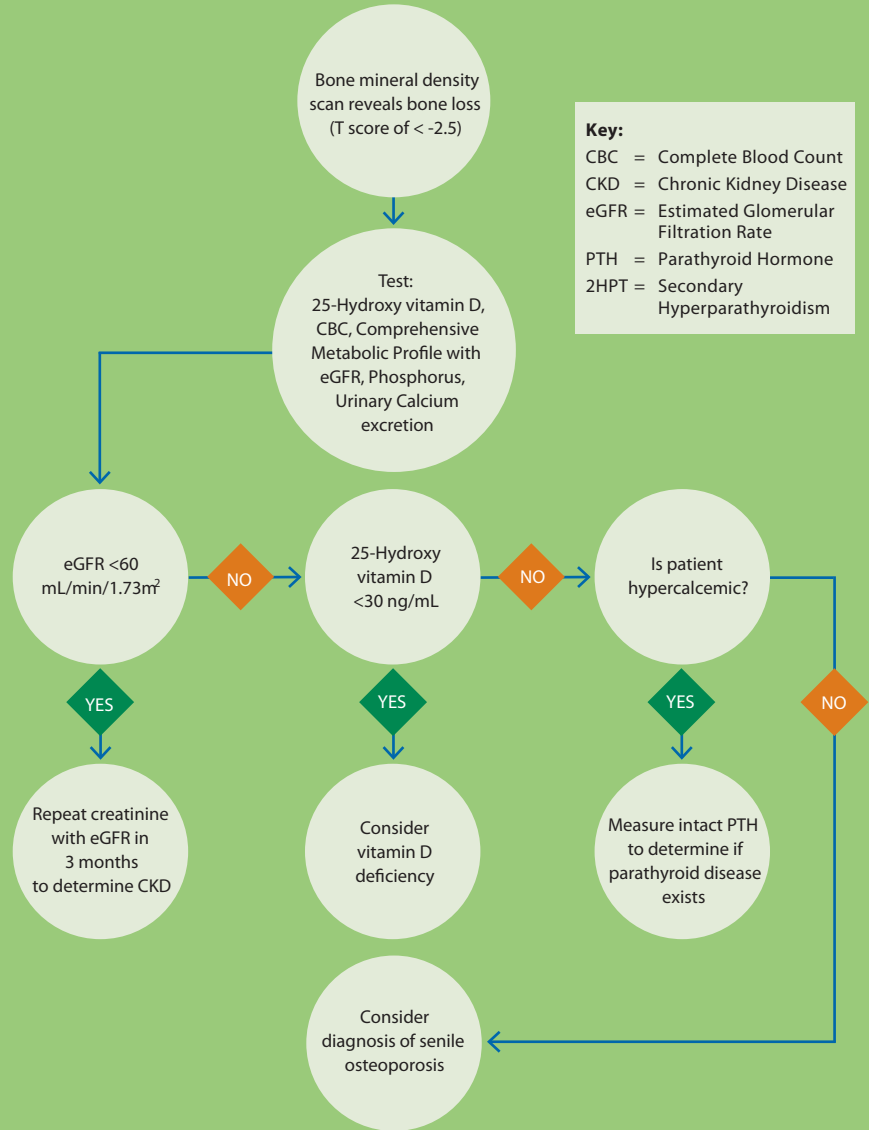


Additional testing can help you identify underlying causes of degenerative bone disease.

Test Name:	Test Code:
Vitamin D, 25-Hydroxy, LC/MS/MS	902068
PTH, Intact and Calcium	102846
CTx – Collagen Type I C-Telopeptide	901960
NTx – Collagen Cross-Linked N-Telopeptide, urine (includes creatinine)	10922
NTx – Collagen Cross-Linked N-Telopeptide, 24-hour urine (includes creatinine)	90080
Calcitonin	9151



Differentiation of Degenerative Bone Disease*



Diagnosis and monitoring of degenerative bone disease

Get a more complete picture.

As more patients present with degenerative bone disease, understanding and monitoring underlying causes is more important than ever.

25-Hydroxy vitamin D helps identify vitamin D deficiency, the most common cause of bone loss¹

PTH helps determine if the cause of abnormal calcium levels is parathyroid disease

eGFR helps check for CKD and is automatically included with any serum creatinine tests

Calcium/Phosphorus helps identify senile osteoporosis

NTx and **CTx** help monitor therapy for senile osteoporosis

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*This flow chart was developed by clinical experts at Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, from the UpToDate online medical textbook and *Williams Textbook of Endocrinology*, as a helpful reference to doctors in selecting tests to assist in their differential diagnosis of degenerative bone disease. This flow chart is not intended to provide medical advice nor replace the medical judgment of the ordering physician. The determination of tests to be ordered is at the sole discretion of the ordering physician.

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