Special Issue

Obesity, Bariatric Surgery and Bone Health

Message from the Guest Editor

Until recently, obesity was believed to be protective against fracture. For several reasons, the relationship between fat mass and bone is much more complex than previously thought: fracture occurrence in patients with obesity has a specific site distribution where falls play a strong role. It also requires a bone mineral density (BMD) assessment in subjects with obesity and in subjects submitted for a rapid decrease in body weight, which is a difficult task that is prone to bias. Advances in surgical procedures to treat morbid obesity have led to a tremendous increase in bariatric procedures worldwide. Many beneficial effects of these procedures have been reported, including improved diabetes status and survival. However, potential harmful consequences for bone health have been highlighted. In particular, the risk of fracture after bariatric procedures is increased. In this Special Issue, original research articles and reviews are welcome. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) novel insights into the pathogenesis and management of bone health in patients with obesity and bone deterioration following bariatric surgery.

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