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## Update on Osteoporosis

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Globally, it is estimated that approximately 20% of men aged 50 or over will experience an osteoporotic fracture, with the disease commonly remaining undiagnosed and untreated despite the episode. The risk of fracture, which can be as high as 27% in those over 50, supersedes the risk of developing prostate cancer (11.3%), a fact that goes mostly unnoticed. The mortality rate following a femur fracture increases proportionately with age and peaks within the first 12 months following the trauma. However, within the first 6 months, the fatality rate in men doubles that of their female counterparts of the same age, and it is calculated that one third of men die within a year of experiencing a femur fracture. In addition to risk factors that are common to both genders, primary or secondary hypogonadism, resulting in testosterone deficiency and treated with androgen deprivation therapy (for prostate cancer treatment), should also be considered.

We welcome colleagues who are involved in osteoporosis research on risk factors, prevention, and treatment in men to contribute original articles or reviews to this Special Issue.



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