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Monica Christmas, MD, FACOG, NCMP, Imke Janssen, PhD, Hadine Joffe, MD, MSc, Dawn Upchurch, PhD, LAc, Nanette Santoro, MD, and Howard M. Kravitz, DO, MPH

Overall neither complementary alternative medicine nor hormone therapy (HT) use was associated with quality of life measures. However, within racial/ethnic groups significant differences in self-reported quality of life were found between the group using HT only compared with the group using neither HT nor complementary alternative medicine.



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The severity of individual menopausal symptoms, cardiovascular disease, and all-cause mortality in the Women's Health Initiative Observational Cohort Matthew Nudy, MD, Aaron K. Aragaki, MS, Xuezhi Jiang, MD, PhD, NCMP, JoAnn E. Manson, MD, DrPH, NCMP, Matthew A. Allison, MD, MPH, Aladdin H. Shadyab, PhD, MS, MPH, Howard N. Hodis, MD, Robert A. Wild, MD, MPH, PhD, NCMP, John A. Robbins, MD, Simin Liu, MD, ScD, Michelle J. Naughton, PhD, MPH, Sarah Dreibelbis, DO, Margery Gass, MD, Marcia L. Stefanick, PhD, Carolina Valdiviezo, MD, and Peter F. Schnatz, DO, NCMP The severity of individual menopausal symptoms was found to be significantly associated with incident cardiovascular disease (CVD) and mortality in postmenopausal women with no known CVD at baseline. Consideration of severe menopausal symptoms may prove to enhance sex-specific CVD risk predication in the future.

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The association between incidentally found breast arterial calcification on routine screening mammography and the development of coronary artery disease and stroke: results of a 10-year prospective study

Matthew Nudy, MD, Ragad Asmaro, MD, Xuezhi Jiang, MD, PhD, NCMP, and Peter F. Schnatz, DO, NCMP

The presence of breast arterial calcifications on routine screening mammography was associated with a significantly increased risk of developing coronary artery disease and stroke after 10 years of prospective follow-up. Mammography may be an ideal, noninvasive way to assess the risk of future cardiovascular disease.

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Limited evidence of a threshold effect for increasing adiposity on risk of symptoms at midlife

Lynnette Leidy Sievert, PhD, Brian W. Whitcomb, PhD, Mohamud A. Verjee, MBChB, and Linda M. Gerber, PhD

Even at very high levels of body mass index (BMI), likelihood of urinary incontinence and shortness of breath increases with BMI. In contrast, likelihood of aches/stiffness has a nonlinear relationship with BMI, increasing to a threshold level.



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Perimenopause meets life: observations from the Women Living Better Survey Nancy Fugate Woods, PhD, BSN, FAAN, FGSA, Nina Coslov, MBA, and Marcie K. Richardson, MD, FACOG

Recognizing that midlife stress comes from many role- and relationship-related sources and that several of these stressors are associated with greater symptom bother supports the importance of proactive identification and management of sources of stress.

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Vitamin D supplements and prevalent overactive bladder in women from midlife through older ages

Camille P. Vaughan, MD, MS, Alayne D. Markland, DO, MSc,

Alison J. Huang, MD, MAS, MPhil, Vin Tangpricha, MD, PhD, and Francine Grodstein, ScD Despite interest in vitamin D supplementation as a low-cost strategy to address overactive bladder, the findings of this study indicate oral vitamin D is not associated with prevalent overactive bladder in middle-aged and older women.



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Association between vitamin D and calcium intakes, breast microcalcifications, breast tissue age-related lobular involution and breast density

Alisson Clemenceau, PhD, Sue-Ling Chang, MSc, Mirette Hanna, MD, PhD, Francine Durocher, PhD, and Caroline Diorio, PhD

The results of this study suggest that the association between vitamin D and calcium intakes and breast cancer risk factors could be influenced by the presence of microcalcifications.



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The influence of an exercise program in middle-aged women on dietary habits. The FLAMENCO project

Irene Coll-Risco, PhD, Marta de la Flor Alemany, BSc, Pedro Acosta-Manzano, PhD, Milkana Borges-Cosic, PhD, Daniel Camiletti-Moirón, PhD, Laura Baena-García, PhD, and Virginia A. Aparicio, PhD

Exercise intervention did not have a significant impact on dietary habits nor Mediterranean diet adherence scores in perimenopausal women.

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Menopause influences aortic pulse pressure and pressure wave responses to metaboreflex activation in women

Yejin Kang, MS, Arun Maharaj, PhD, Katherine N. Dillon, MS, Stephen M. Fischer, PhD, and Arturo Figueroa, MD, PhD

Even in nonhypertensive postmenopausal women, increases in forward wave pressure and backward wave pressure and decrease in aortic diastolic blood pressure are important factors that contribute to the augmented aortic pulse pressure response to postexercise muscle ischemia.

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Effects of resistance training on C-reactive protein in menopausal and postmenopausal women: a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials

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and Lisette Ethel Iglesias-González, MSc

The benefits of resistance training for C-reactive protein and lipid profile in postmenopausal women with various comorbidities or risk factors are supported by low-quality evidence. In postmenopausal women, resistance training had little to no influence on waist circumference.

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