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Practice guidelines recommend calcium and vitamin D supplements for older adults to prevent osteoporosis-related fractures. In a review of 33 randomized trials involving 51,145 community-dwelling older adults, Zhao and colleagues found that supplements containing calcium or vitamin D did not decrease fracture risk.

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Sports-Related Eye Injuries

A recent article in JAMA Ophthalmology reported that patients presenting to an emergency department with impaired vision were often injured by paintballs or air guns. In this From the JAMA Network article, Pieramici discusses the importance of eye protection in sports and leisure activities.

Insulin Dosing Error in a Patient With Severe Hyperkalemia

This article in the JAMA Performance Improvement series explores the case of a patient who received an overdose of insulin while being treated for hyperkalemia. Hewitt and colleagues discuss systematic improvements in hospital procedures to prevent similar errors.

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