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Undiagnosed osteoporosis is a worldwide challenge. In the USA alone osteoporosis is responsible for two million broken bones every year, costing over 19 billion dollars. Experts forecast that by 2025, the costs will rise to 25.3 billion dollars. One of the most important preventive action for osteoporosis is nutrition : calcium and vitamin D. Dairy products such as milk are excellent for bone health. However, the various diets that substitute milk with other products are becoming more common globally. Therefore, new options are needed to ensure calcium for healthy bones.

10 000 women will be screened for osteoporosis in the beginning of 2017. 'This is a large percentage of the Finnish population. In US it would mean that we would screen 600 000 women, and in just a few months,' concludes Bone Index's CEO, Dr. Ossi Riekkinen.

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