Thyroid functioning, adipocytokines, bone turnover and vitamin D - review of literature

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ABSTRACT

The most common public health problems include, among others, overweight, obesity, and cardiovascular diseases. In addition, the number of people with thyroid disturbances is still growing. Thyroid abnormalities can lead to many metabolic dysfunctions, including secondary osteoporosis, alterations in body mass, lipid profile, and insulin resistance. Recently, the studies have been focused on the connections between thyroid gland function, obesity, metabolic syndrome and cardiovascular diseases, as well as bone turnover. Fatty tissue plays an important role in whole body homeostasis. Adipose tissue hormones, such as leptin, resistin adiponectin are proteins having immunomodulatory

lproperties, and their balance is needed to control immune response, as well as inflammation processes. The following article constitutes a review of literature concerning thyroid function with regard to adipocytokines and vitamin D, as well as the influence of this gland on the skeletal system. For this purpose, Medline Pub Med base and Google Scholar were used. All the citied studies in this review article underline how much should be done to achieve more efficient treatment of thyroid disorders, specifically, how to prevent its complications, for instance, osteoporosis, overweight, obesity or cardiovascular diseases.

Key words: Thyroid gland, obesity, adipokines, vitamin D

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