

BioGaia launches BioGaia Osofortis – a new product for the prevention of osteoporosis



The USA will be the first market to launch BioGaia's new product for bone health, BioGaia Osofortis. The product will be marketed by Everidis Health Sciences in the US and will be available from mid-May 2019.

"Osteoporosis is a common, global disease. Consequently, a way of maintaining good bone health and preventing osteoporosis constitutes an important focus area for BioGaia. I am very happy that our partner Everidis will launch BioGaia Osofortis in the USA. It is an important market with great potential for this product. Step by step more markets will launch BioGaia Osofortis," says Isabelle Ducellier, CEO of BioGaia.

Clinically documented effects on bone health

In June 2018 a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled [study](#) with BioGaia's probiotic strain *Lactobacillus reuteri* ATCC PTA 6475 was published, showing that loss in bone density was halved in the probiotic group compared to those given placebo. 90 older women with low bone density were included in the study which was conducted at the University of Gothenburg.

Osteoporosis – a silent disease

Bone loss usually occurs gradually over the years, most often without symptoms. A fracture is usually the first sign of the disease, and typically occurs in the hip, spine or wrist. It is estimated that worldwide one in three women and one in five men over the age of 50 are at risk of suffering a fracture caused by osteoporosis. The greatest risk factors are old age, previous fracture, low bone density and heredity. In women, estrogen also plays a decisive role. When estrogen levels drop after menopause, bone density decreases more rapidly.

Osteoporosis often affects the individual's quality of life in a profound way, but it also constitutes a major burden for society. Preventing osteoporosis is therefore beneficial from many aspects.

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