Table 1. Clinical characteristics of the subjects studied

	Total sample (n=84) (SD)	Normal bone density (n=22) (SD)	Osteopenia (n=38) (SD)	Osteoporosis (n=24) (SD)	P & statistical tests
Age (years) (SD)	58.9 (7.9)	57.5 (7.6)	58.5 (7.6)	60.8 (8.4)	ns
Age groups (years)					
35-40	1 - 1.2%	-	1 - 2.6%	-	Not applicable
41-54	21 - 25%	6 - 27.3	10 - 26.3%	5 - 20.8%	
55-64	45 - 53.6%	13 - 59.1%	20 - 52.6%	12 - 50%	
65+	17 - 20.2%	3 – 13.6%	7 - 18.4%	7 - 29.2%	
Height (cm)	1.56 ± 0.06	1.58 ± 0.04	1.55 ± 0.05	1.55 ± 0.07	ns
Weight (kg)	68.2 ± 12	74.9 ± 11.9	67.1 ± 12.5	63.5 ± 8.4	F(2,81) = 6.014; p = 0.004
BMI (Kg/m²)	27.8 ± 4.5	29.6 ± 4.3	27.7 ± 4.7	26.3 ± 3.9	F(2,81) = 3.426; p = 0.037
BMI groups					
Normal	22 - 26.2%	2 - 9.1%	12 - 31.6%	8 - 33.3%	ns
Overweight	40 - 47.6%	11 – 50%	17 - 44.7%	12 - 50%	
Obese	22 - 26.2%	9 - 40.9%	9 - 23.7%	4 - 16.7%	
Prescribed medications*					
Yes	69 - 82.1%	20 - 90.9%	31 - 81.6%	18 - 75%	ns
No	15 – 17.9%	2 - 9.1%	7 – 18.4%	6 - 25%	

^{(*}Any kind of medication, such as those used for freatment of depression, diabetes, hyperlipidemia or gout); ns: No statistically significant difference.