

BISPHOSPHONATES INFLUENCE ON BONE QUALITY AT MOLECULAR LEVEL: STUDY OF HUMAN JAW BONE SEQUESTERS BY RAMAN MICROSCOPY



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BACKGROUND

- Bisphosphonates (BP) = anti-resorptive drugs with strong affinity for bone mineral, in particular for sites with high bone turnover
- Jaw bone = bone skeletal site with a high turnover

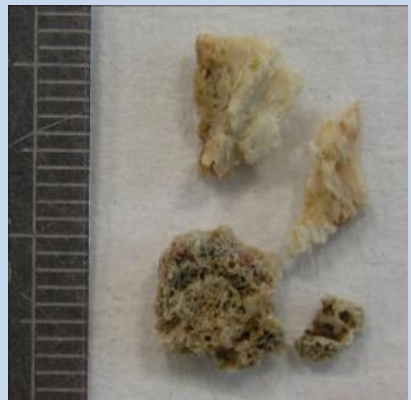
→ Physicochemical changes of human jaw bone upon BP uptake?

METHODS

Bone samples

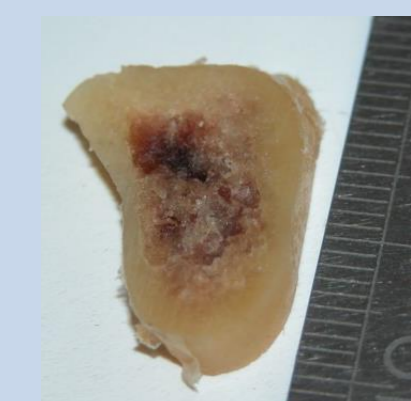
BP group (n=24)

- BP-exposed bone sequesters
- 42 to 94 years old subjects
- underlying diseases requiring BP therapy: osteoporosis or malignancy (myeloma or bone metastasis)
- BP molecule: alendronate, ibandronate, zoledronate, pamidronate et clodronate
- therapy duration: 4 to 156 months



CTL group (n=24)

- healthy cadaveric cortical jaw bone sections (Anatomy laboratory of Lille medical school)
- 64 to 93 years old subjects



Raman microscopy

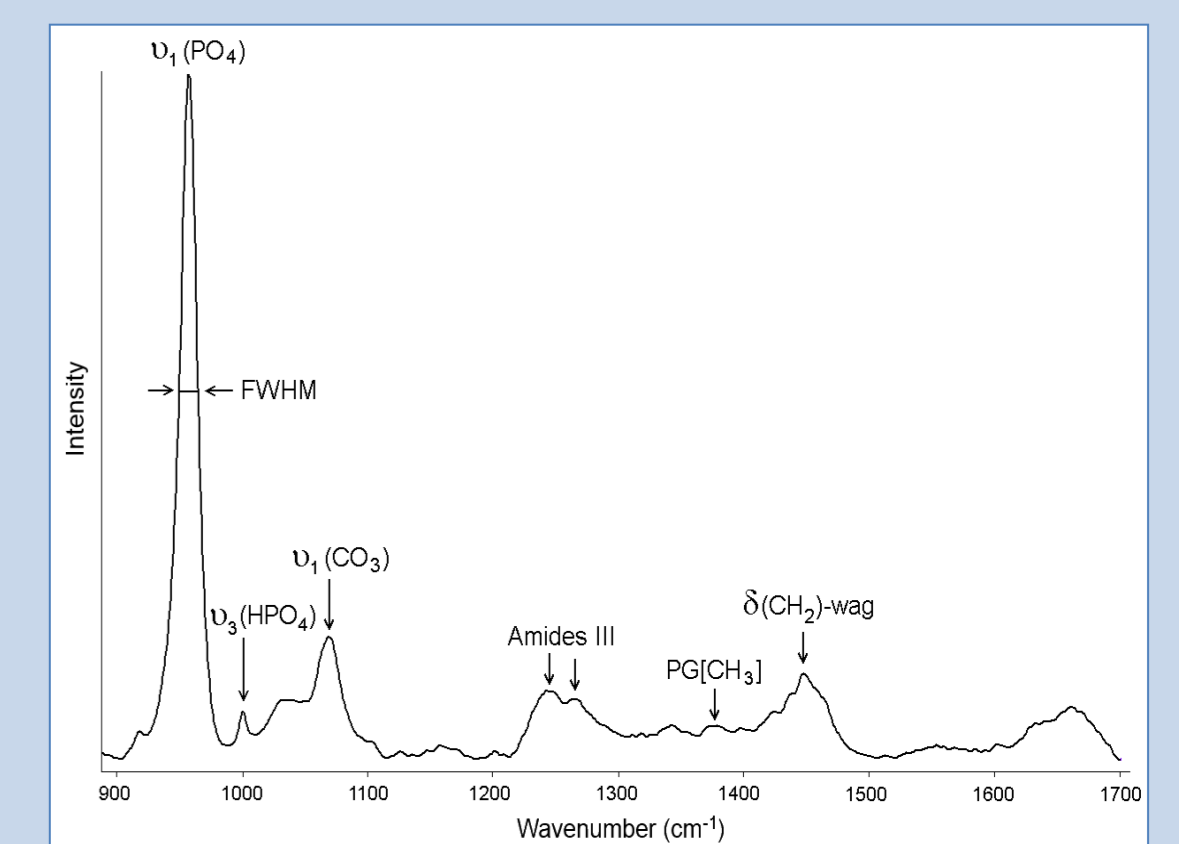
- Labram microspectrometer (HORIBA)
- $\lambda = 632 \text{ nm}$
- x100 objective (ON = 0,8)
- spectral resolution: 2 cm^{-1}
- $900\text{-}1700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ range
- acquisition time: 10 x 60 s

Punctual analyses :

- cortical or lamellar bone tissue
- each $2 \mu\text{m}$ from a $50 \mu\text{m}$ analyze line
- 75 measurements per sample

Physicochemical parameters related to bone quality

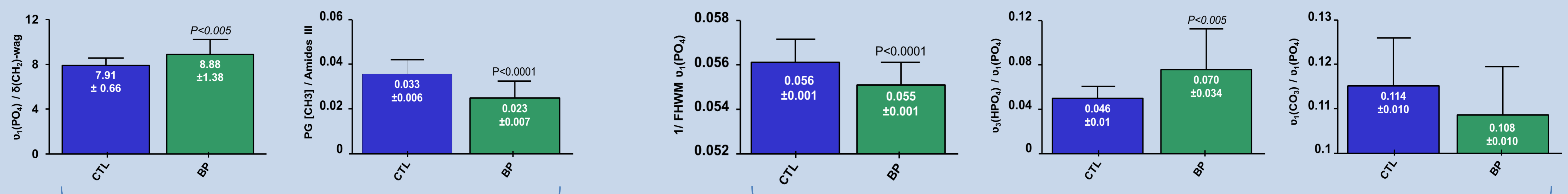
- Mineral to organic ratio: $\nu_1(\text{PO}_4)/\delta(\text{CH}_2)\text{-wag}$
- Relative proteoglycan (PG) content: $\text{PG}[\text{CH}_3]/\text{Amides III}$
- Crystallinity: $1/\text{FWHM } \nu_1(\text{PO}_4)$
- Monohydrogen phosphate content: $\nu_3(\text{HPO}_4)/\nu_1(\text{PO}_4)$
- Type-B carbonate substitution: $\nu_1(\text{CO}_3)/\nu_1(\text{PO}_4)$



Partial-Least-Square Discriminant Analysis (PLS-DA, PLS Toolbox v6.7)
→ specific Raman spectral features of each group

RESULTS

Raman physicochemical parameters (mean \pm SD, t test)



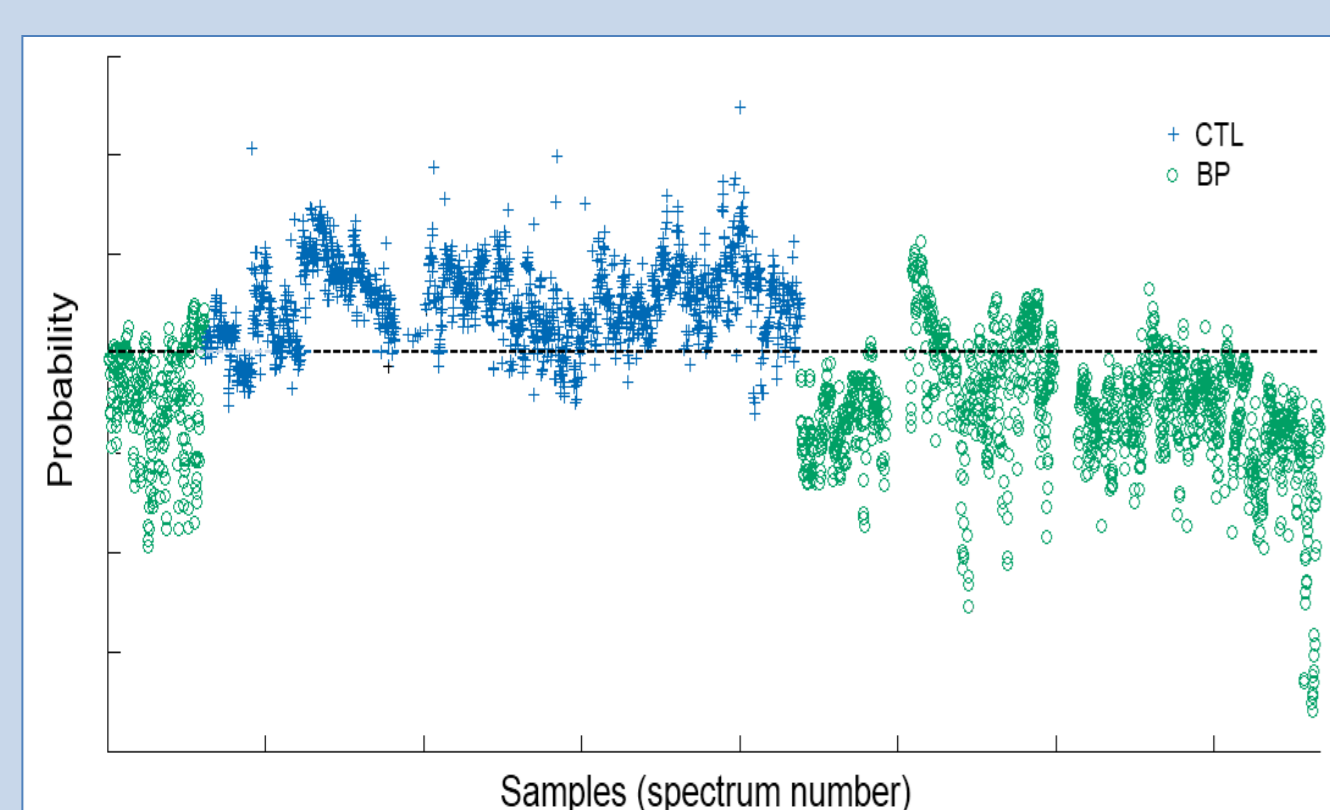
Overmineralization in the BP group

- \nearrow ratio mineral to organic (+ 12 %)
- \searrow PG content (- 30 %) i.e. promoting collagen matrix mineralization

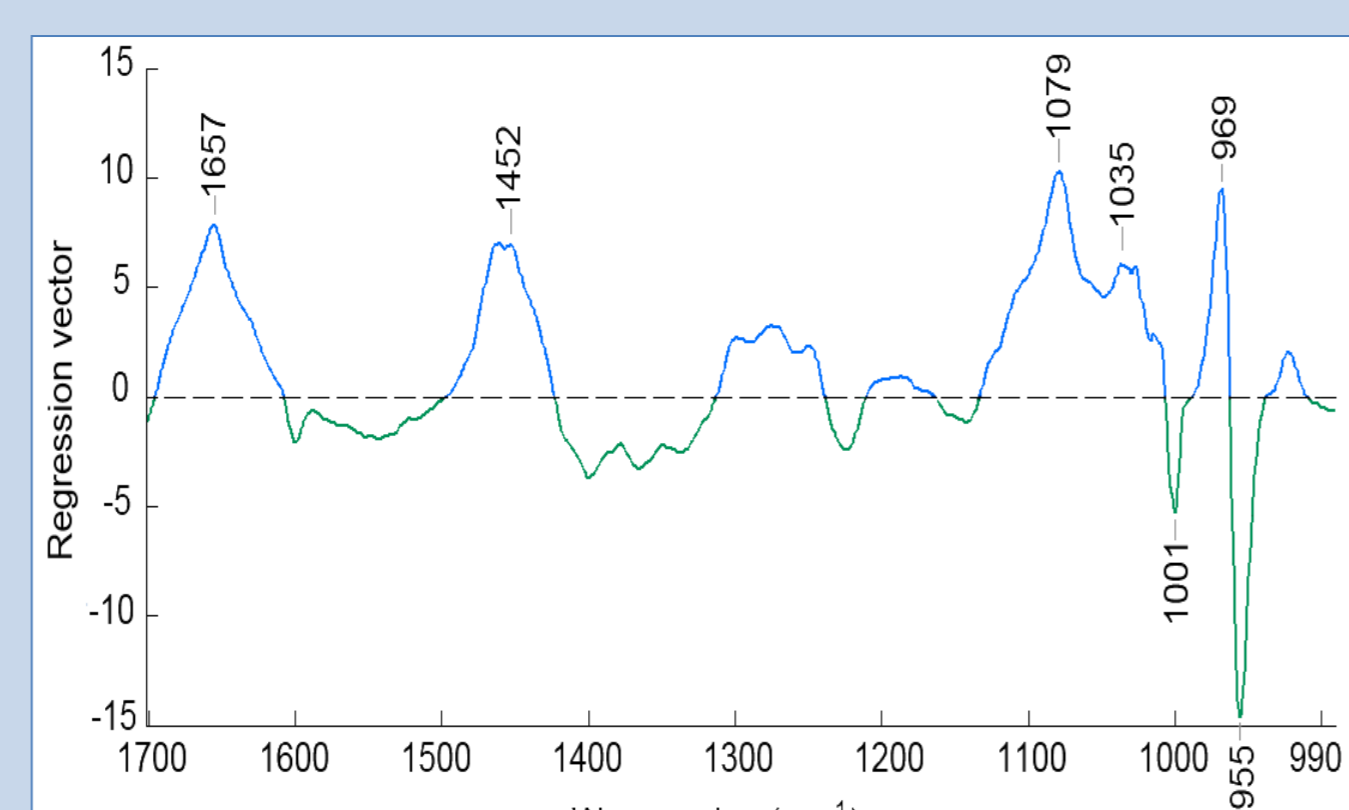
Structural changes on mineral components in the BP group

- \searrow crystallinity (- 2 %) and mineral maturity (- 52 %)
- carbonate substitution unchanged

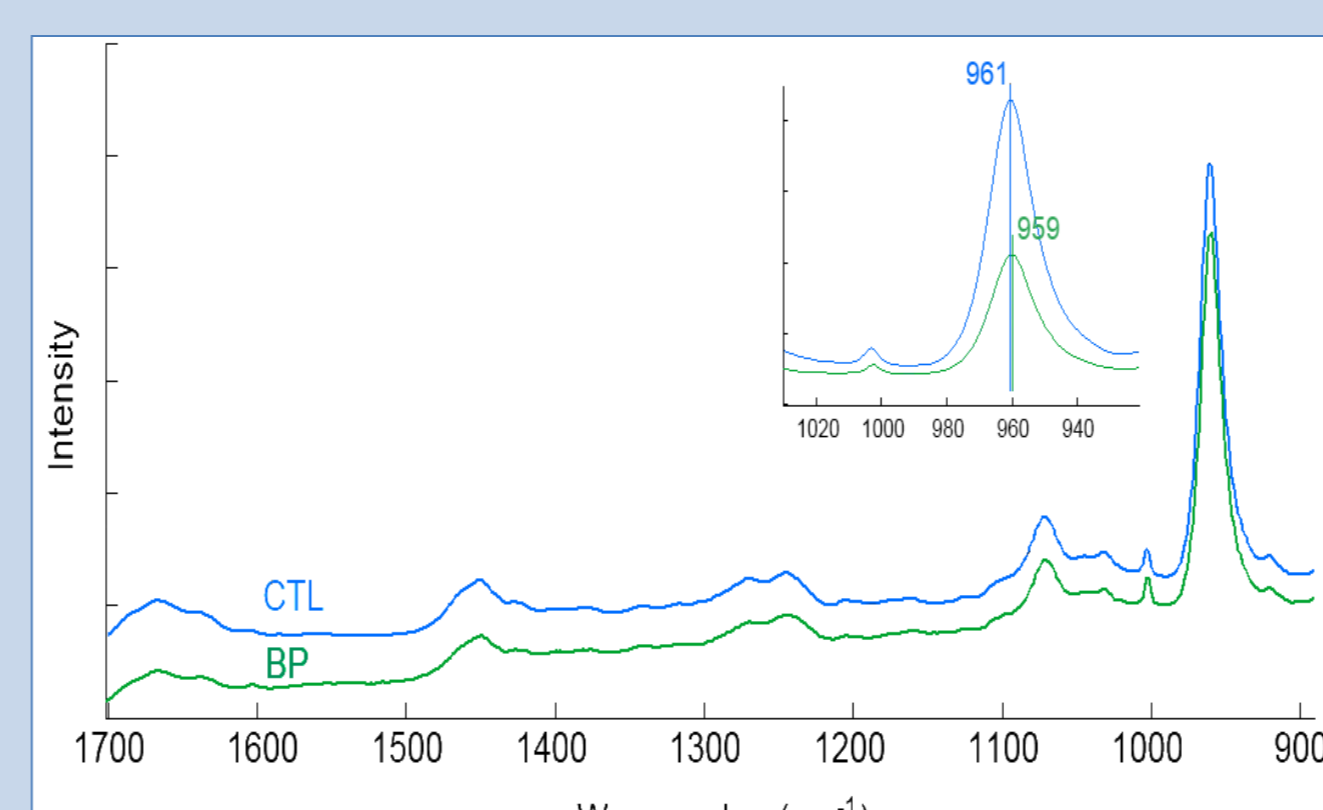
PLS-DA analysis



PLS-DA discriminate BP group from CTL group



Regression vector with Raman spectral features (CTL: positive bands, BP: negative bands)



Average raw Raman spectra
→ inset shows the shift of the $\nu_1 \text{PO}_4$ band

Spectral features to discriminate the 2 groups

- CTL group : organic components (collagen, amides I, lipids)
- BP group : mineral components (PO_4 , HPO_4)

Structural changes on the apatite phosphate environment

- typical "S-shape" positive/negative = shift of the $\nu_1 \text{PO}_4$

CONCLUSIONS

- Cumulative BP uptake in human jaw bone causes bone quality alterations :

→ Overmineralization compared to healthy bone
Ultrastructural changes of mineral components, perturbations of the phosphate environment due to BP binding/interaction

- Additional studies are needed to evaluate the impact of these changes on pathophysiological behavior of bone