

Table S1. Baseline demographics of all men and women completing the Palliative-D study regardless of treatment group. For statistical significance, Mann-Whitney test was used.

| Variable | All men (n = 74) Median (IQR) | All women (n = 76) Median (IQR) | p-value |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Age, years | 68 (64–74) | 68 (58–73) | 0.60 |
| 25-OHD, nmol/L | 37 (30–45) | 40 (31–46) | 0.26 |
| Fentanyl dose, ug/h | 0 (0–25) | 0 (0–12) | 0.59 |
| No. days on antibiotics/month | 0 (0–2) | 0 (0–0) | 0.09 |
| Albumin, g/L | 31 (27–36) | 32 (28–35) | 0.57 |
| Calcium, mmol/L | 2.30 (2.22–2.36) | 2.32 (2.25–2.42) | 0.11 |
| Creatinine, μ mol/L | 79 (68–95) | 64 (55–77) | ***<0.0001 |
| CRP, mg/L | 7 (2–29) | 7 (2–20) | 0.47 |
| ESAS fatigue | 3 (1–5) | 3 (1–5) | 0.91 |
| ESAS QoL | 3 (2–5) | 4 (2–5) | 0.56 |
| EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL, Q11 fatigue | 2 (2–3) | 2 (2–3) | 0.96 |
| EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL Q15 QoL | 4 (3–5) | 4 (3–5) | 0.45 |

*p < 0.05, **p < 0.01, ***p < 0.001, S-25-OHD: S-25-hydroxyvitamin D, CRP: C-Reactive Protein, ESAS: Edmonton Symptom Assessment Scale (range 0-10), EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL: European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer Quality of Life Questionnaire C15 Palliative (fatigue Q 11 range 1-4, QoL Q 15 range 1-7), QoL: Quality of Life Q: Question. Creatinine reference interval \geq 18 years: men <100 μ mol/L, women <90 μ mo/L.

Table S2. Baseline characteristics of women completing the Palliative-D study, split by treatment group of vitamin D or placebo.

| Variable | Vitamin D | Placebo | p-value |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| | Women (n = 33) Median (IQR) | Women (n = 43) Median (IQR) | |
| Age, years | 69 (59–75) | 68 (59–73) | 0.71 |
| 25-OHD, nmol/L | 40 (27–48) | 40 (32–45) | 0.85 |
| Fentanyl dose, ug/h | 0 (0–37) | 0 (0–12) | 0.26 |
| No. days on antibiotics/month | 0 (0–3) | 0 (0–0) | *0.01 |
| Albumin, g/L | 32 (29–36) | 32 (28–34) | 0.25 |
| Calcium, mmol/L | 2.31 (2.23–2.42) | 2.33 (2.26–2.41) | 0.45 |
| Creatinine, μmol/L | 61 (55–77) | 64 (55–77) | >0.99 |
| CRP, mg/L | 7 (2–23) | 5 (2–14) | 0.82 |
| ESAS fatigue | 3 (1–6) | 3 (2–5) | 0.83 |
| ESAS QoL | 4 (2–6) | 4 (2–5) | 0.84 |
| EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL, Q11 fatigue | 2 (2–3) | 2 (2–3) | 0.90 |
| EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL Q15 QoL | 5 (4–5) | 4 (3–5) | 0.25 |

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Table S3. Baseline characteristics of men completing the Palliative-D study, split by treatment group of vitamin D or placebo.

| Variable | Vitamin D | Placebo | p-value |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|
| | Men (n = 34) Median (IQR) | Men (n = 40) Median (IQR) | |
| Age, years | 68 (60–75) | 70 (64–73) | 0.73 |
| 25-OHD, nmol/L | 39 (30–46) | 36 (28–44) | 0.37 |
| Fentanyl dose, ug/h | 0 (0–25) | 0 (0–22) | 0.98 |
| No. days on antibiotics/month | 0 (0–0) | 0 (0–4) | 0.33 |
| Albumin, g/L | 32 (27–36) | 31 (28–36) | 0.95 |
| Calcium, mmol/L | 2.31 (2.21–2.38) | 2.30 (2.22–2.36) | 0.94 |
| Creatinine, μ mol/L | 80 (68–97) | 77 (67–96) | 0.80 |
| CRP, mg/L | 4 (1–31) | 8 (3–29) | 0.45 |
| ESAS fatigue | 4 (1–5) | 3 (1–5) | 0.76 |
| ESAS QoL | 3 (1–5) | 4 (2–5) | 0.47 |
| EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL, Q11 fatigue | 2 (2–3) | 3 (2–3) | 0.20 |
| EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL Q15 QoL | 4 (3–6) | 4 (3–5) | 0.61 |

*p < 0.05, **p < 0.01, ***p < 0.001, S-25-OHD: S-25-hydroxyvitamin D, CRP: C-Reactive Protein, ESAS: Edmonton Symptom Assessment Scale (range 0-10), EORTC QLQ-C15-PAL: European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer Quality of Life Questionnaire C15 Palliative (fatigue Q 11 range 1-4, QoL Q 15 range 1-7), QoL: Quality of Life Q: Question.