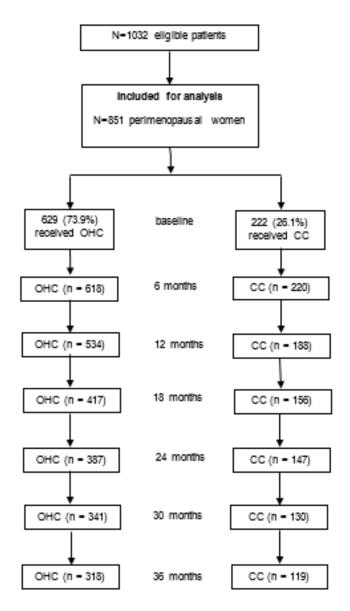
1. Participant Flow



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2. Baseline Characteristics

Variable	OHC (n=629)	CC (n=222)	р
Age (years), mean (SD) only	47.3 (3.0)	47.1 (2.8)	0.485
Number of children (range 0-12), mean (SD)	1.9 (1.0)	1.9 (1.2)	0.627
Concomitant treatment (not calcium supplements), n (%)	131 (20.8)	41 (18.5)	0.452
Age at menarche (years), mean (SD)	12.2 (1.4)	12.3 (1.4)	0.268
Past contraceptive treatment, n (%) Duration (years), mean (SD)	213 (42.6) 7.0 (4.4)	86 (45.7) 6.6 (4.5)	0.458 0.572
Menstrual cycle: Regular (last 12 months), n (%) Periodicity changes (last 3 months), n (%) Amenorrhea (last 3-11 months), n (%)	191 (30.9) 228 (36.9) 199 (32.2)	70 (32.3) 71 (32.7) 76 (35)	0.531 0.452 0.458
Risk factors (habits)			
Smoking status Current smoking, n (%) Cigarettes per day, mean (SD) Smoking habit (years), mean (SD) Former smoker, n (%) Years after smoking cessation, mean (SD)	172 (27.9) 13.5 (8.4) 19.8 (7.9) 60 (23.4) 8.6 (6.5)	73 (33.2) 14.1 (7.5) 18.1 (8.7) 16 (19.3) 11.6 (6.4)	0.137 0.583 0.157 0.429 0.108
Frequent alcohol use Drinks a day (units), mean (SD)	47 (7.9) 1.50 (0.76)	19 (8.6) 1.42 (0.51)	0.732 0.681
Caffeine use, n (%)	249 (44.6)	100 (50.3)	0.171
Reported calcium intake (mg/day), mean (SD)	992 (503)	996 (475)	0.973
Regular exercise, n (%)	226 (44.1)	92 (47.9)	0.358

BMI: body mass index; BMD: bone mineral density; OHC: ossein-hydroxyapatite complex; CC: calcium carbonate.

3. Outcome Measures

Adverse drug reactions:

Adverse drug reaction	OHC	CC	P value
	(n=629)	(n=222)	
	n (%)	n (%)	
Total	17 (2.7)	17 (7.7)	0.001
Gastrointestinal complaints†	13 (2.1)	13 (5.9)	0.005
Headache	3 (0.5)	1 (0.5)	1.000*
Dizziness	0	1 (0.5)	0.261*
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Bone mineral density at the lumbar spine (T-score and g/cm2):

	Ossein-hydroxyapatite complex				Calcium carbona	Between group P value ^b	
Visit	n	Mean (SD)	P <u>value</u> a	n	Mean (SD)	P <u>value</u> a	
T-score Baseline V7-Baseline	601 299	-0.61 (1.11) 0.01 (0.82)	0.19	206 107	-0.75 (0.98) -0.23 (0.76)	0.001	0.250 <0.001
BMD (g/cm²) Baseline V7-Baseline	578 280	1.03 (0.15) 0.00 (0.11)	0.34	204 102	1.01 (0.13) -0.03 (0.11)	- <0.001	0.057 <0.001

aWilcoxon test for change from baseline within groups

BMD: bone mineral density

V7: visit at 36 months of follow-up

^{*} Not statistically significant

Mann-Whitney U test for difference between treatment groups

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