

# Skeletal System

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## The skeletal System . . .

- What are the general components of the skeletal system?
- What does the skeletal system do for you & how does it achieve these functions?



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## Components

- The skeletal system includes:
  - Bones
  - Cartilages
    - Mainly hyaline & fibrocartilage
  - Joints
  - Ligaments
  - Other connective tissues
    - Such as adipose, areolar...

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# General Functions

- Functions of the Skeletal System
  - Support against gravity
  - Protection of soft internal organs
  - Leverage for muscle action
    - Insertions & origins
  - Storage
    - Calcium, phosphorous, other inorganic salts
    - Fat - energy
  - Blood cell production

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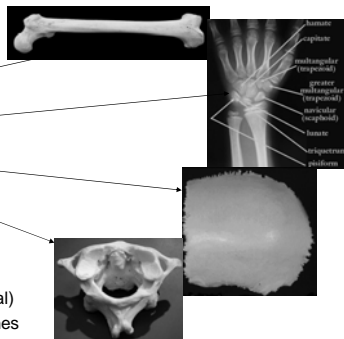
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# Bone Structure - Macroscopic

## ■ Bone Shapes:

- Long
- Short
- Flat
- Irregular



Other: Wormian (sutural) & Sesamoid bones

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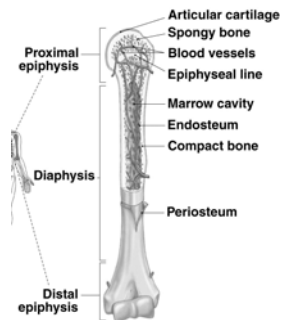
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# Bone Structure: The generic bone

- The shaft of a bone = **diaphysis**
- The ends of a bone = **epiphyses**
  - Covered with articular cartilage
- The cavity of a bone = **marrow cavity**
  - Loose connective tissue
- Outer covering = **periosteum**
  - Point of attachment for?
  - Also location of many blood vessels & nerves
- Inner lining = **endosteum**
  - Lines marrow cavity
  - Active during growth & remodeling
- Bone tissue present
  - **Spongy** (cancellous) in epiphyses & marrow cavity
  - **Compact** in shaft and lining periphery of bone




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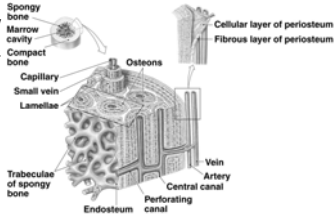
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## Composition of Bones: Microscopic

### ■ Tissues Present in bone

- Dense connective tissue – the periosteum
  - An outer fibrous layer
  - An inner cellular (osteogenic layer)
- Loose connective tissue – bone marrow
- osseous – compact & spongy
- cartilage – hyaline
- Blood
- nervous




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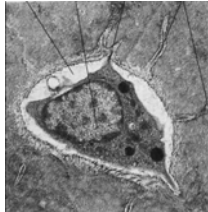
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## Composition of Bone: Microscopic

### ■ Osseous or bone tissue has:

- Specialized cells
  - 2% of bone weight
- Strong flexible matrix
  - Calcium phosphate crystals
    - Two-thirds of bone weight
  - Collagen fibers




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## Cells of Osseous Tissue

- Osteoblasts
  - Responsible for bone deposition (laying down new bone) = osteogenesis
- Osteocytes
  - Responsible for maintenance of bone tissue in the lacunae of the osteon
    - Recycle the mineral components
- Osteoclasts
  - These cells are derived from white blood cells
  - multi-nucleate cells
  - Involved with bone resorption (osteolysis) by secreting enzymes that dissolve bony matrix

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# Bone Formation and Growth

- Endochondral Ossification
  - Most bones formed this way
  - *Cartilage model* replaced by bone
  - Replacement begins in middle (diaphysis)
  - Replacement follows in ends (epiphyses)

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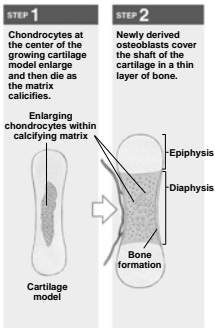
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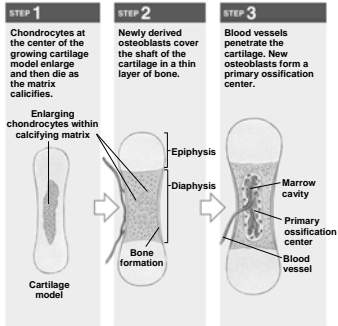
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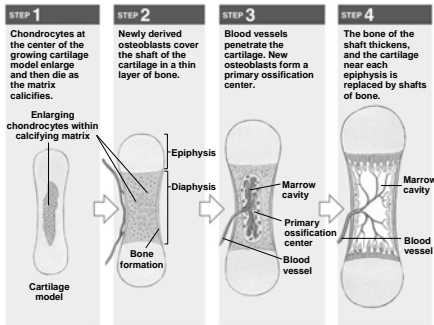
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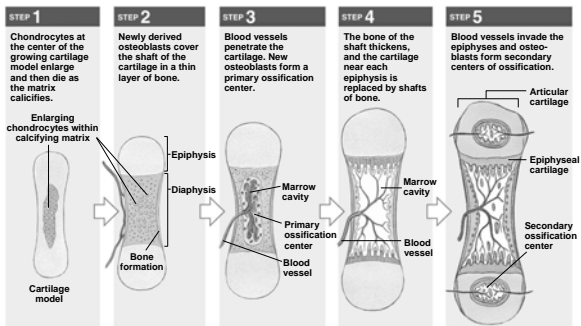
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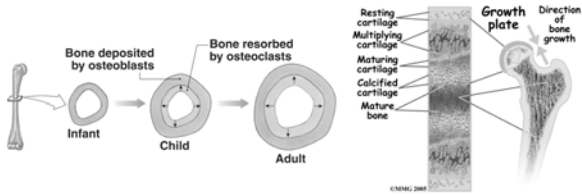
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**PLAY** Endochondral Ossification

# Bone Growth

Appositional vs.

Transitional Bone Growth



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# Bone Formation and Growth

## ■ Requirements for Normal Bone Growth

- Minerals
  - Calcium, phosphate
- Vitamins
  - Vitamin D<sub>3</sub>
  - Vitamin C
  - Vitamin A
- Hormones
  - Growth Hormone
  - Sex hormones, thyroid hormone, others

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# Bone Remodeling/Homeostasis

- Role of Remodeling in Support
  - Remodeling*—Continuous breakdown and reforming of bone tissue
  - Shapes reflect applied loads
  - Mineral turnover enables adapting to new stresses

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## Bone Remodeling/Homeostasis

### ■ Homeostasis and Mineral Storage

- Bones store calcium
  - Contain 99% of body calcium
  - Store up to two kg calcium
  - Hormones control storage/release
    - *PTH*, *calcitriol* release bone calcium
    - *Calcitonin* stores bone calcium
  - Blood levels kept constant

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## Bone Remodeling/Homeostasis

### ■ Injury and Repair

- *Fracture*—A crack or break in a bone
- Steps in fracture repair
  - Fracture *hematoma*
  - Mitoses in periosteum, endosteum
    - Internal callus
    - External callus
  - Bone remodeling

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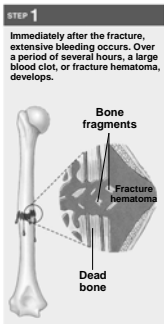
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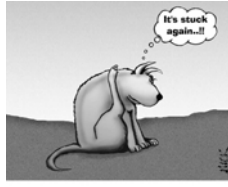
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# Aging and the Skeletal System

- **Osteopenia**—Less than normal ossification (mineral content) in bone
  - Osteopenia starts before age 40
    - Women lose 8% per decade
    - Men lose 3% per decade
  - **Spongy bone** most affected
    - **Epiphyses**
    - **Vertebrae**
    - **Jaws**



Canis Osteoarthritis.

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# The Skeleton - Terms

TABLE 6-1 An Introduction to the Surface Features of Bones

GENERAL DESCRIPTION	ANATOMICAL TERM	DEFINITION
Elevations and projections (general)	Process	Any projection or bump
	Ramus	An extension of a bone making an angle with the rest of the structure
Processes formed where tendons or ligaments attach	Trochanter	A large, rough projection
	Tuberosity	A smaller, rough projection
	Tubercle	A small, rounded projection
	Crest	A prominent ridge
	Line	A low ridge
Processes formed for articulation with adjacent bones	Spine	A pointed process
	Head	The expanded articular end of an epiphysis, separated from the shaft by a neck
	Neck	A narrow connection between the epiphysis and the diaphysis
	Condyle	A smooth, rounded articular process
	Trochlea	A smooth, grooved articular process shaped like a pulley
Depressions	Facet	A small, flat articular surface
	Fossa	A shallow depression
	Sulcus	A narrow groove
Openings	Foramen	A rounded passageway for blood vessels or nerves
	Canal	A passageway through the substance of a bone
	Fissure	An elongate cleft
	Sinus	A chamber within a bone, normally filled with air

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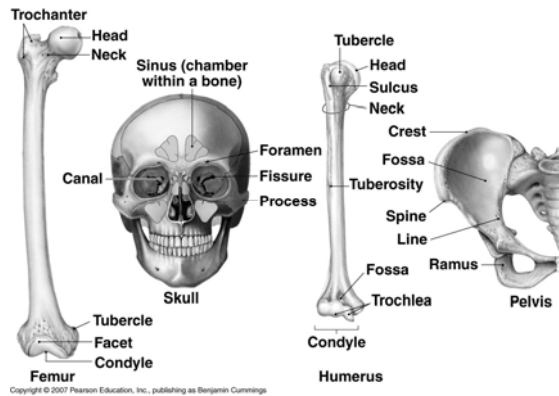
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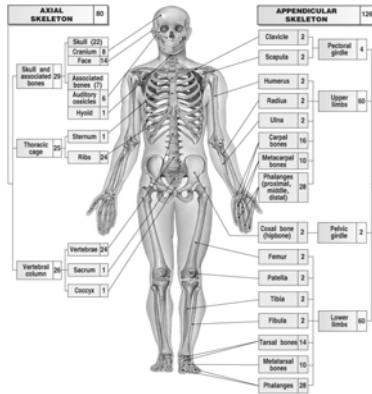
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# The Skeleton Divisions

- Axial
  - Creates the support basis for the arms and legs
  - Provides protection for the brain & spinal cord, as well as the heart & lungs
- Appendicular
  - The arms & legs
  - Provide movement of the body




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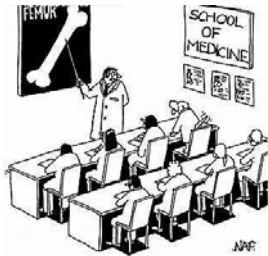
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Higgins - control yourself & sit down!

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