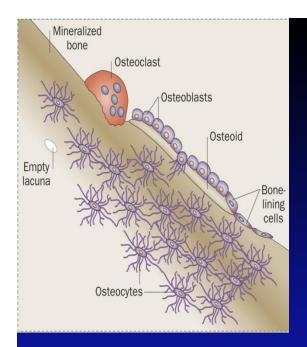
Overview of Skeletal Remodeling and Bone Mass

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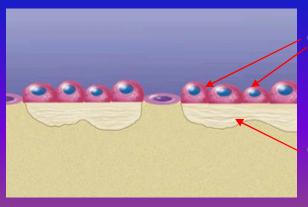
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Bone Is a Dynamic Organ





Osteoblasts

Osteoid

Osteoporosis



SKELETAL PHYSIOLOGY: Critical Phases

Skeletal Growth

- Prenatal to Adolescence
- Modeling and remodeling
- Early and Rapid linear growth which then slows before increasing with adolescence

Peak Bone Acquisition

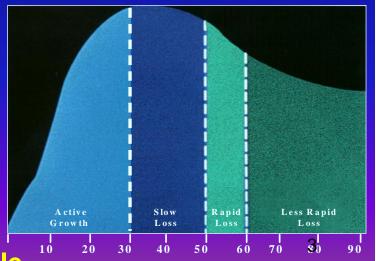
- Ages 12-18
- Gender and compartment specific!!!!
- Strong genetic determinants
- Phased with linear growth

Bone Maintenance

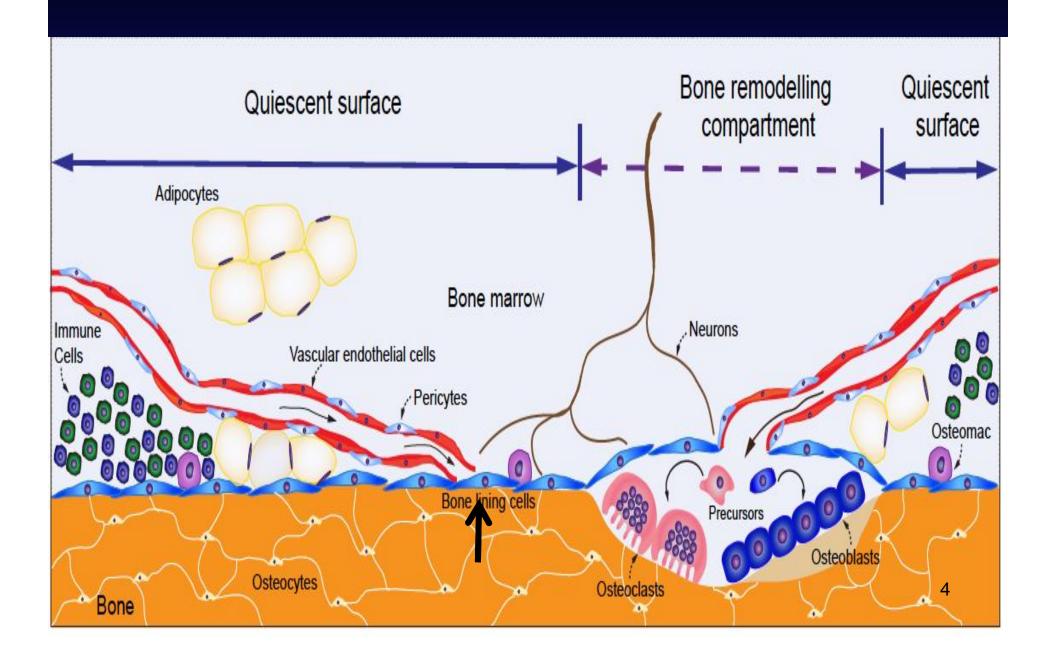
 Ages 20-50: Remodeling 10% of the skeleton/yr

Bone Loss

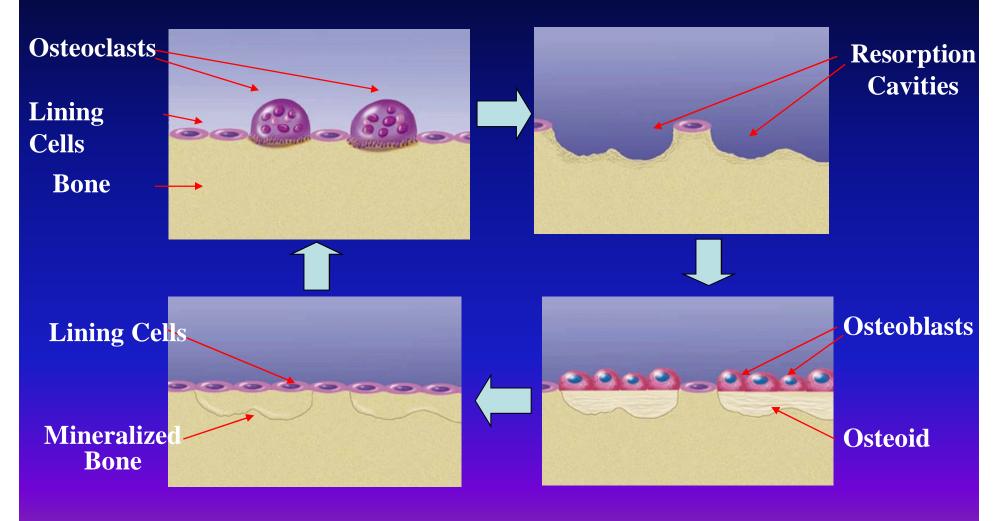
- Gender and compartment specific
- Genetic determinants may play a role

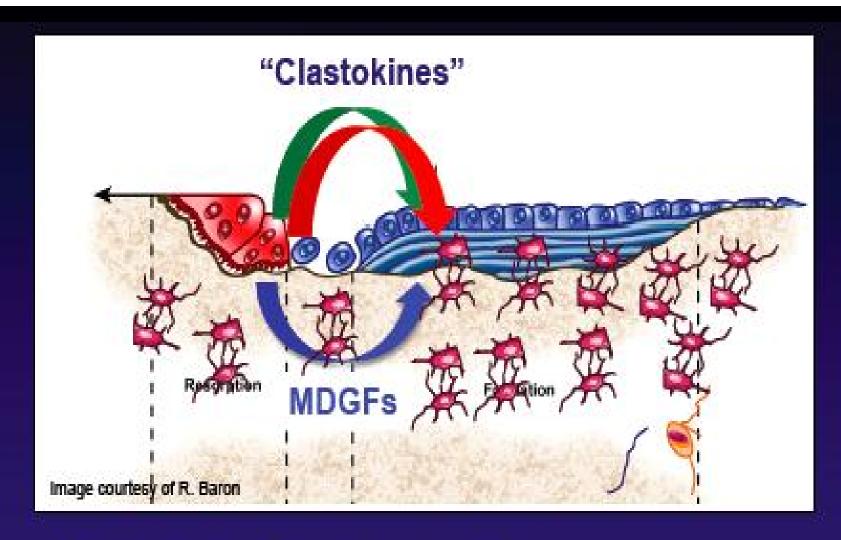


Cellular Complexity in the Bone Marrow N



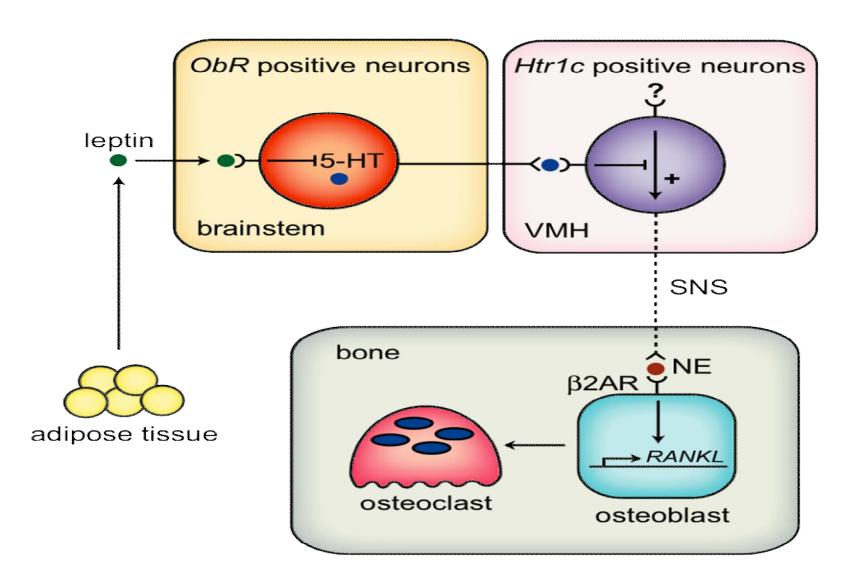
Bone Remodeling Process

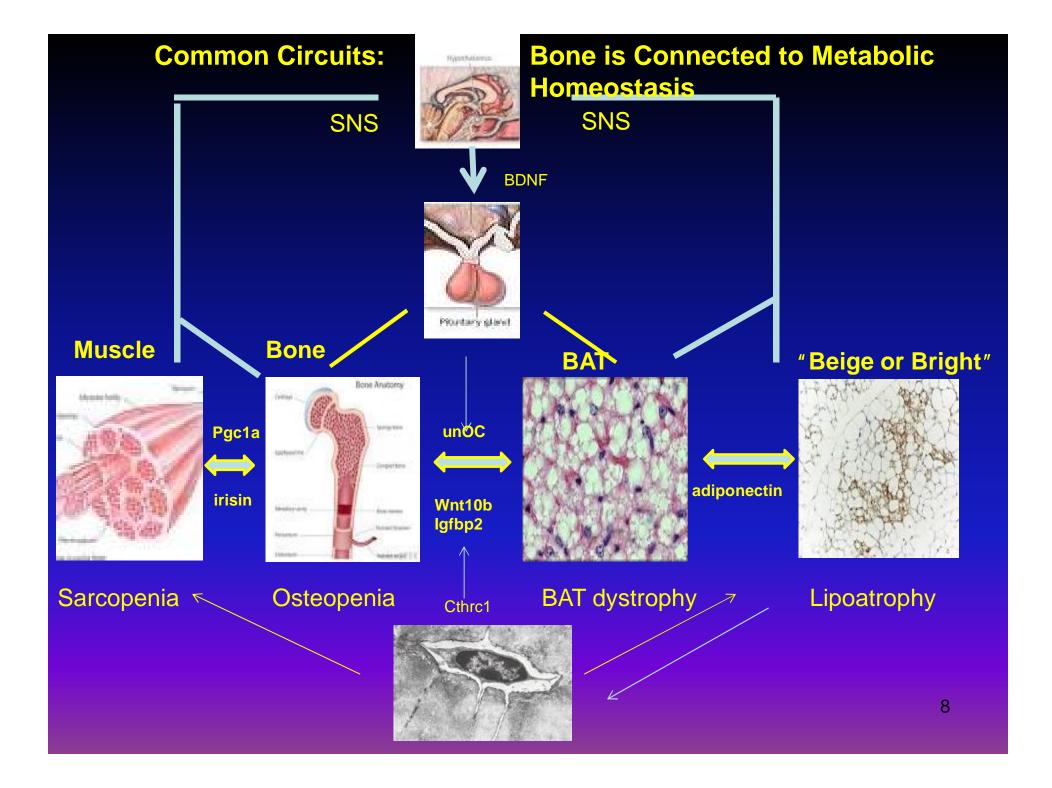




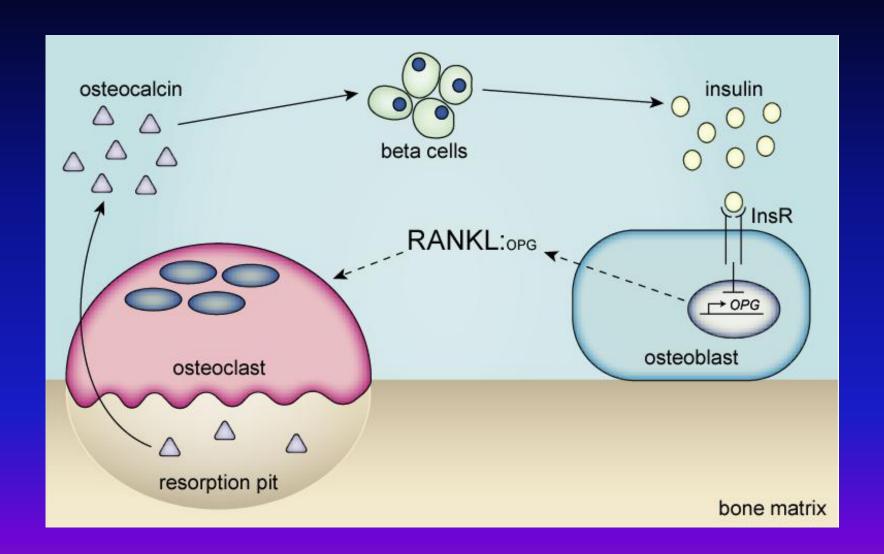
- Direct effects on osteoblasts?
- Indirect effects via the osteoclasts and coupling?

The CNS Regulates Bone Turnover





The Beta Cell, Osteoblast-Osteoclast Connection

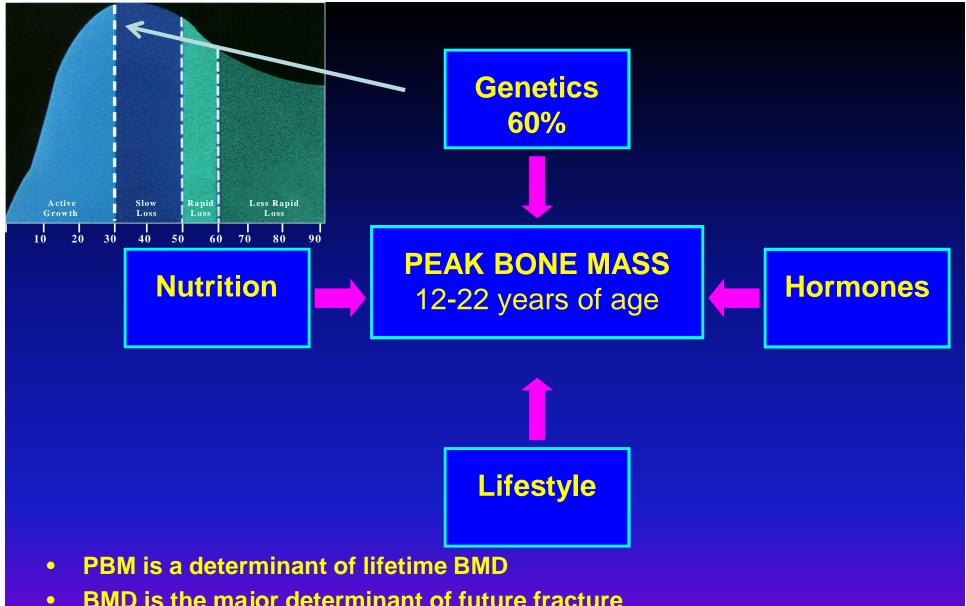


Definition of Osteoporosis From BMD

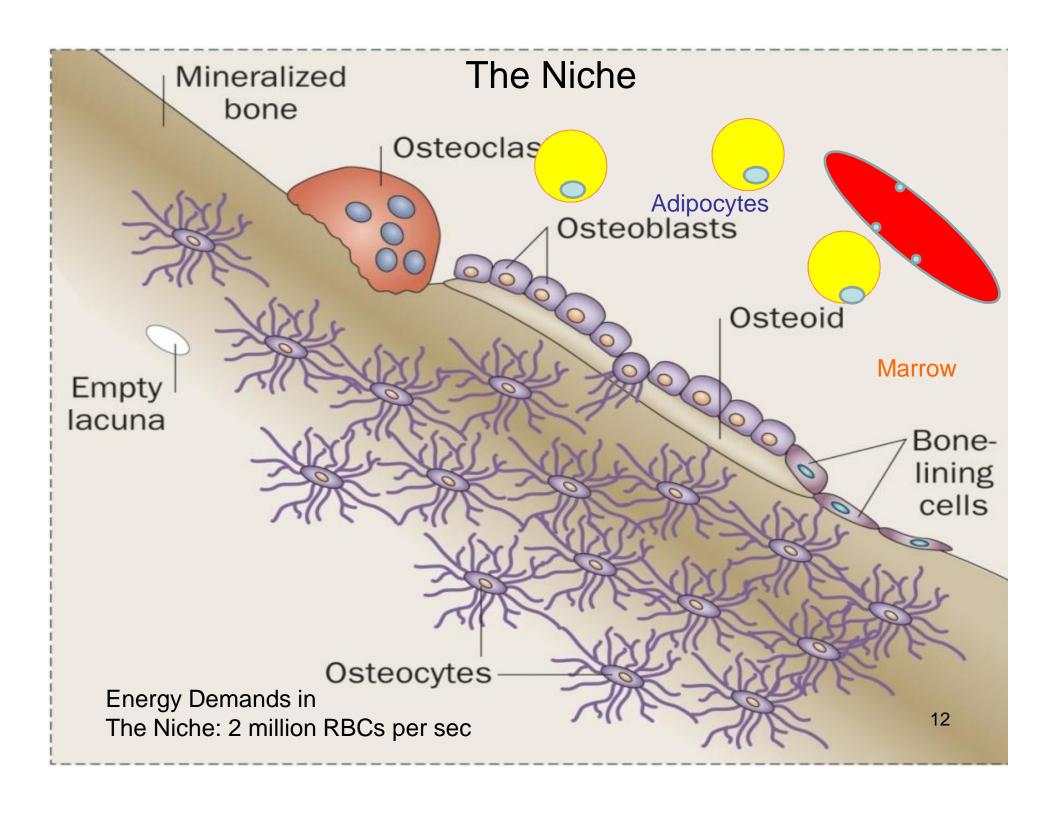


WHO Classification of BMD

Classification	T-score
Normal	-1.0 or greater
Low Bone Mass (Osteopenia)	Between -1.0 and -2.5
Osteoporosis	-2.5 and below
Severe Osteoporosis	-2.5 and below with history of fragility fracture



- **BMD** is the major determinant of future fracture
- **Multiple factors contribute to PBM**
- Genetic determinants are critical but are modifiable by environmental 11 factors



The Marrow is Far From Inert

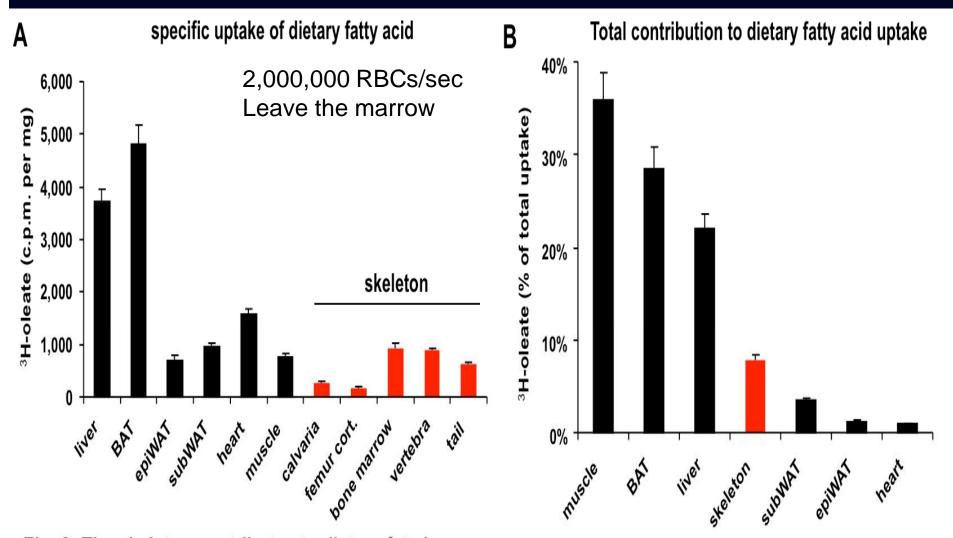
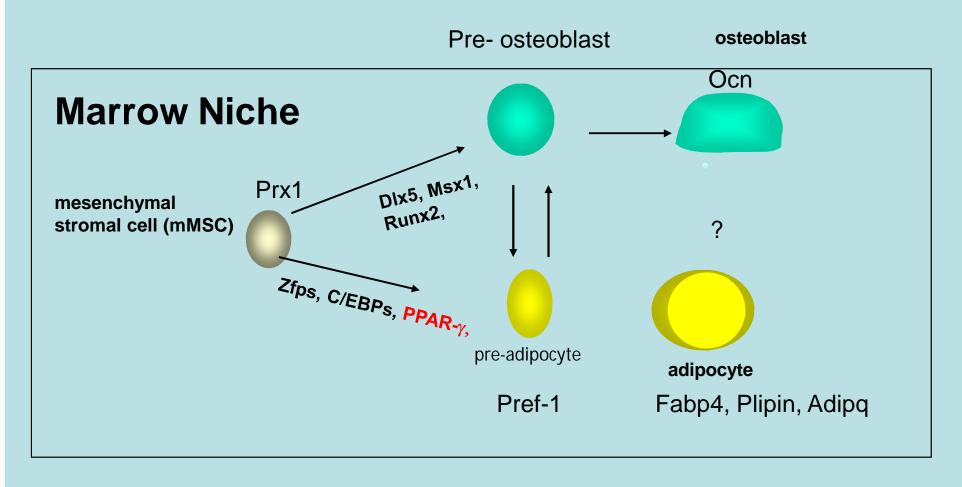


Fig. 2: The skeleton contributes to dietary fat clearance

12 weeks-old male C57BL/6J wild-type mice received a lipid gavage (olive oil) with tracer amounts of ³H-triolein. Fatty acid organ uptake 2 h after gavage was determined by scintillation counting. (A) Liver and brown adipose tissue (BAT) display the highest specific uptake of all organs analyzed. Parts of the skeleton (indicated in red) display specific uptake comparable to white adipose tissues, the major specialized lipid storage organ. epiWAT: epididymal white

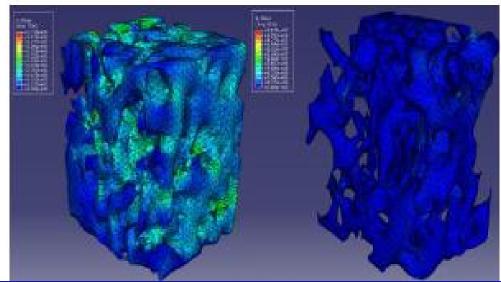
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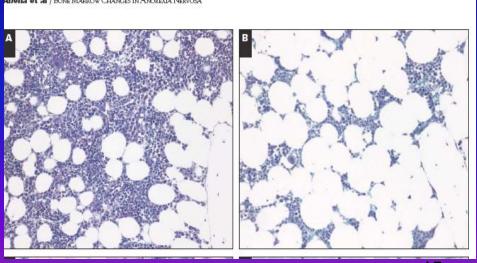


Hypothesis: Cell Plasticity is fuel dependent

Anorexia Nervosa: A Classic Case of Limited Fuel Availability a marrow lineage shift and skeletal fragility







Osteoporosis- Obesity of Bone

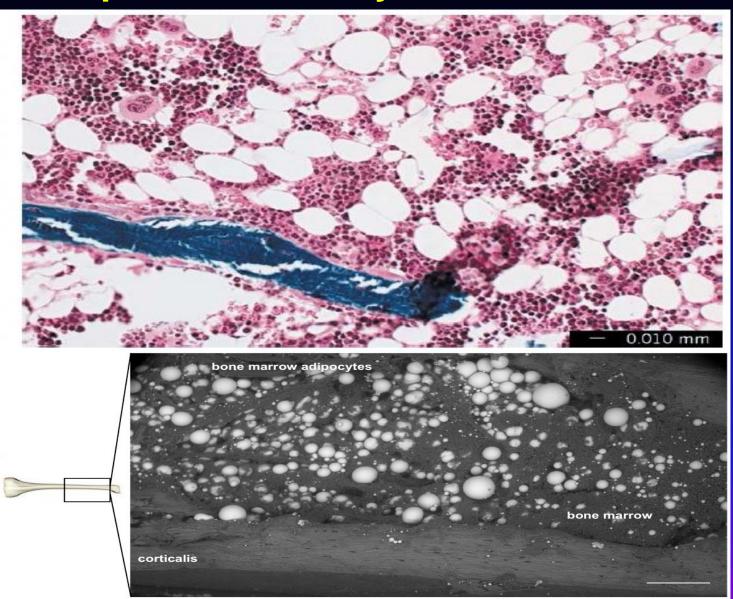


Fig. 1: The skeleton is a lipid storage organ.

Environmental scanning electron microscopy (ESEM) scan from inside a mouse distal tibia. Bone marrow adipocytes appear as large, light spheres. It has long been recognized that the skeleton is a lipid storage organ: "Good news puts fat on the bones" (The Bible: Proverbs 15:30) bar: 0,25 mm

Summary

- Bone mass is determined by multiple genetic and environmental factors
- Bone remodeling is a dynamic process and is fuel dependent
- The fate of osteoblasts and adipocytes in the marrow help determine peak bone mass and bone loss
- Nutrient and environmental determinants play a major epigenetic role