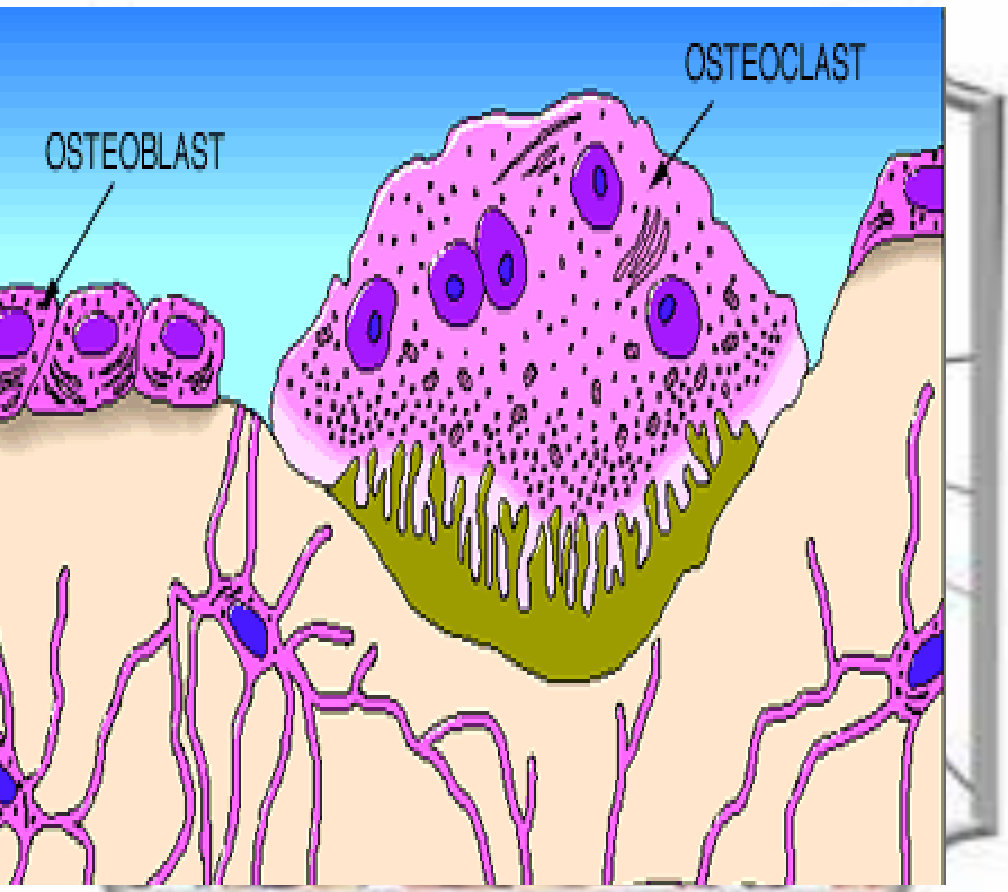


# Physiology of Bone



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# **Lecture1:- Bone physiology (Referece book –Gyton 12th edition,chapter 79 (p 955-966)**

## **Objectives:-**

**At the end of this lecture the student should be able to:-**

- Define bone and differentiate between types and sites of bone (cortical& trabecular)**
- Appreciate differences between both types of bone in function**
- know  $Ca^{++}$  concentration and forms in the ECF& its relation to  $PO_4$**
- differentiate bone cells &function of each**
- know Bone remodelling & bone formation**
- Define osteoporosis**
- Appreciate effect of different hormones on bone physiology**

## Functions of bone:-

- 1-Supports soft tissue
- 2-Protects vital organs (cranium, thoracic cavity)
- 3-Contains bone marrow for blood cells synthesis **تخليق**
- 4-Reservoir of  $\text{Ca}^{++}$ ,  $\text{PO}_4$  to maintain constant concentrations of them in body fluids
- 5-Allows body movement

# Structure of bone:-

Porous mineralized structure

A-Cells ???

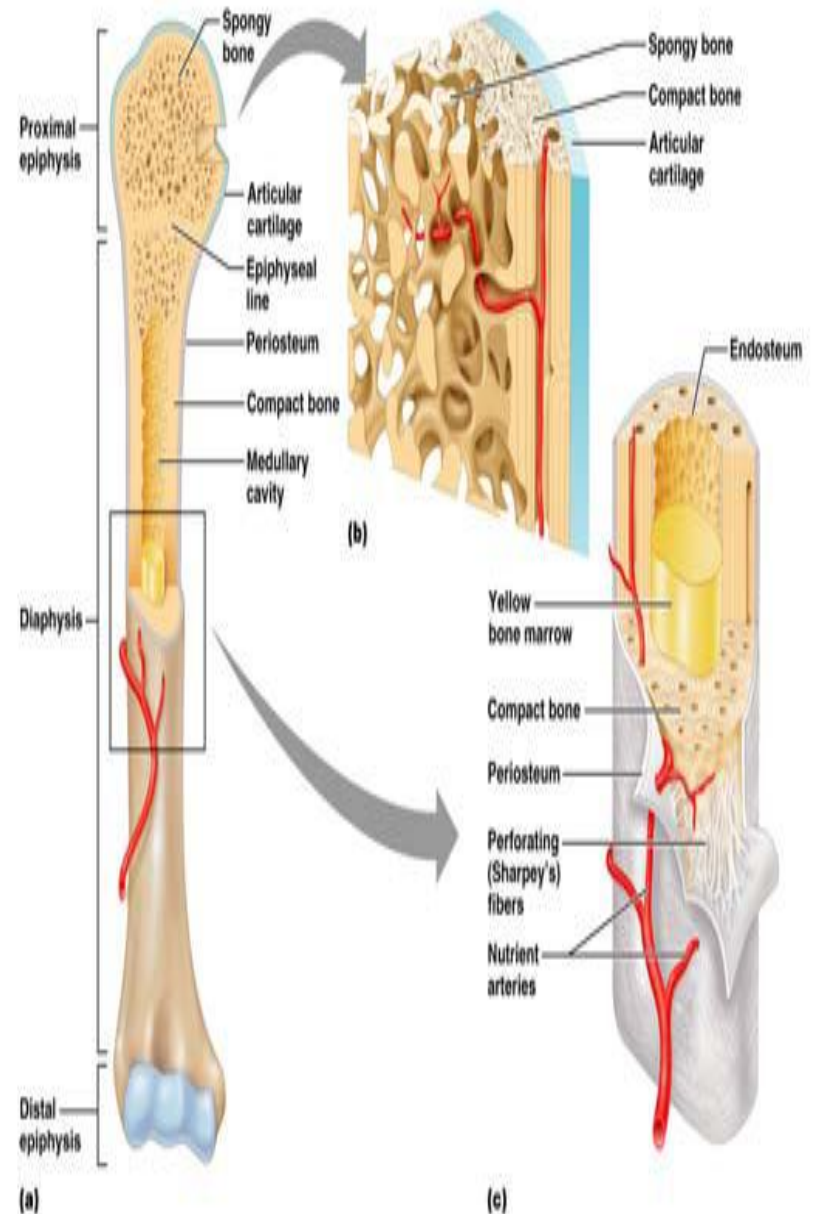
B-Bone matrix

Calcified material (deposits of calcium & phosphates salts mainly but there is magnesium, potassium & carbonate), collagen fibres

lacunae, Canaliculi

c-Periosteum & Endosteum

d- red or yellow marrow in the center of the bone



The human skeleton is actually made up of 2 types of bones:

(1) Cortical bone ( compact bone) → 80 %

-Constitutes the dense concentric layers of long bones

-Also outer layer surround trabecular bone at ends of long bones

(2) Trabecular bone (spongy) → 20%

-Present in the interior of skull, ribs, vertebrae, pelvis and (in long bones present only **in epipheseal and metaphysal** regions )

It has five times greater surface area than cortical bone ( 80% of the bone surface area).

# Compact bone

(غلاف) - Forms a protective outer shell around every bone in the body.

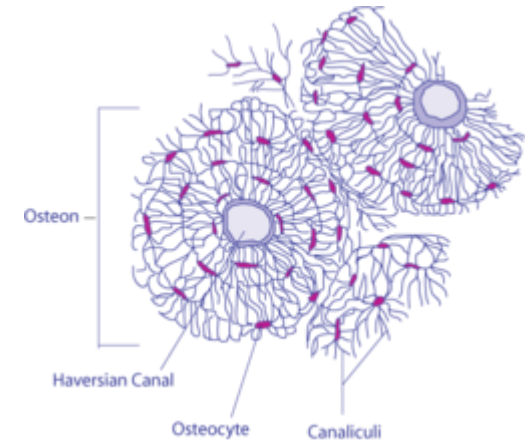
معدل دوران معدّل - has a **slow**  $Ca^{++}$  turnover rate

تقوييس - Has high resistance to bending present where bending would be (undesirable as in the middle of long bones.)

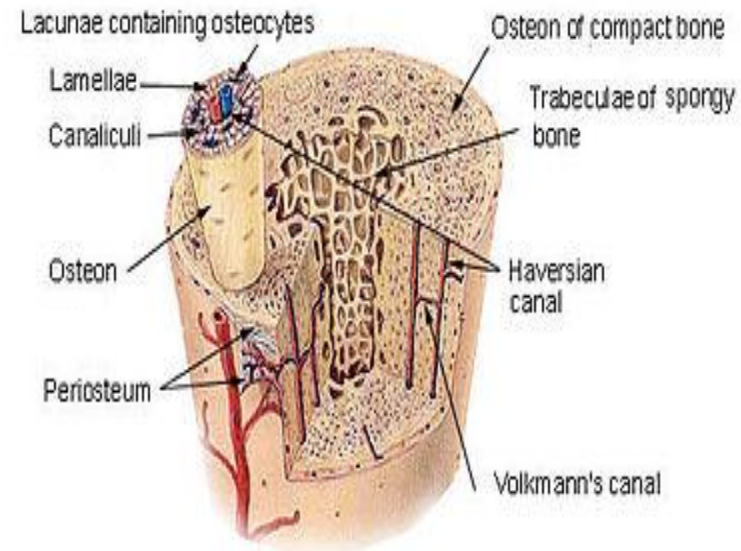
-There is a series of adjacent bull's eye osteons or Harvesian systems.

Osteon is composed of a central vascular channel called the Harvesian canal, surrounded by a kind of tunnel of concentric lamellae of mineralized bone.

Harvesian canal can contain capillaries, arterioles, venules, nerves and possibly lymphatics.



## Compact Bone & Spongy (Cancellous Bone)





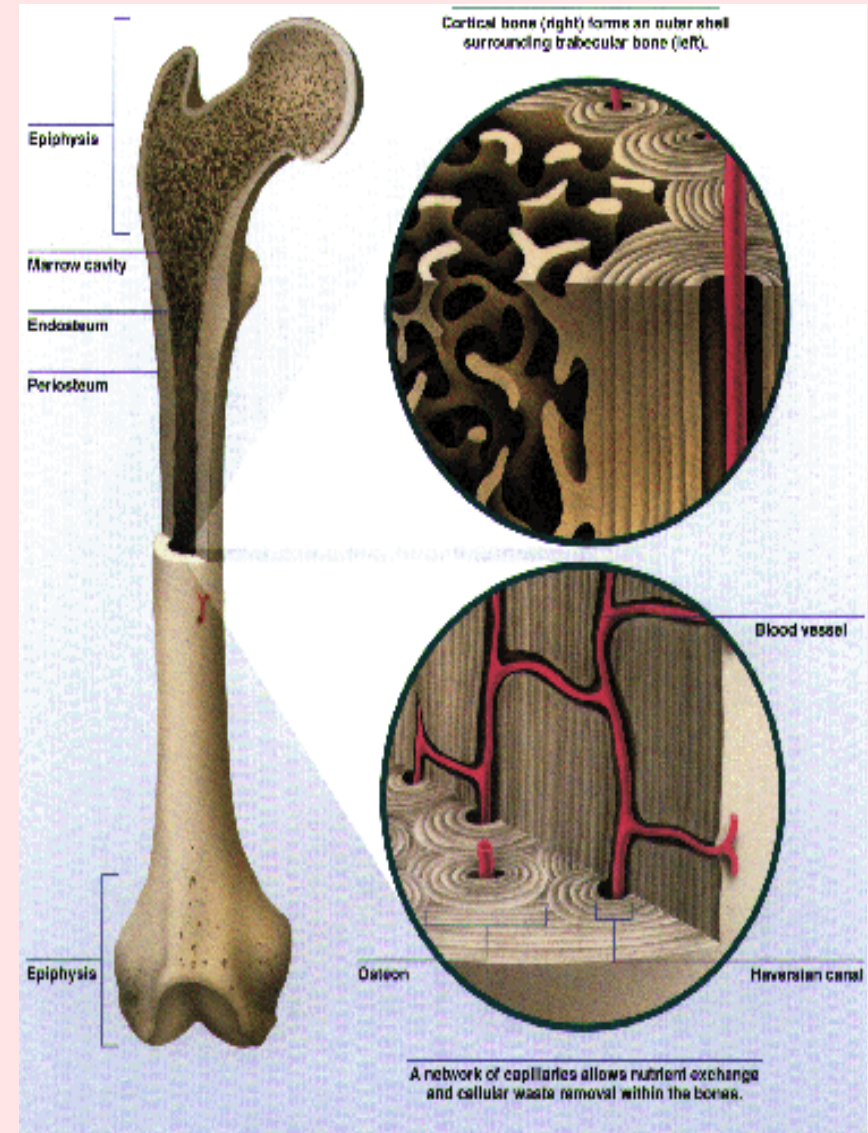
## Trabecular ( spongy-Cancellous ) Bone

-Rigid but appears spongy •

(هيكل)- Forms the interior scaffolding •  
which helps bone to maintain their  
shape despite compressive forces.

Compared to cortical bone it is: •

- (1) less dense
- (2) more elastic
- (3) greater surface area
- (4) it has high calcium turnover rate  
because of the greater surface area



# Calcium Homeostasis





# Extracellular Fluid ( ECF) Calcium

Normal  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  level in plasma ranges from 8.5-10 mg/dL

(mean 9.4 mg/dL) It exists in fractions

:(1) Free ionized calcium → 50% of total ECF calcium, diffusible through capillary membrane

(2) Protein-bound calcium → 40%, (non diffusible through capillary membrane)

a-90% bound to albumin

b- Remainder bound to globulins

Alkalosis increases calcium binding to protein and decreases ionized calcium

(3) Calcium bound to serum constituents → 10% (citrate & phosphate ) (not ionized- diffusible)

**-Only the free, ionized  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  is biologically active**

**Q-What are  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  functions?**

**Q-What is effect of hypo and hypercalcaemia on central nervous system?**

## Phosphate (PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>):

Calcium is tightly regulated with Phosphorous in the body.

-85% of PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> in bone

-15% in cells

- less than 1% in ECF In forms as H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> , HPO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>

PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> normal plasma concentration is 3.0-4.5 mg/dL.

Ca<sup>++</sup> x PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> = constant (solubility product)

-if any one increase it should precipitate in bone مترسب

# Bone & Ca<sup>++</sup>

-70% of Bone is formed of calcium (99% of the Calcium of bone in form of hydroxyapatite crystal) & phosphate salts (**CaPO<sub>4</sub> and hydroxide**),

- Calcium salts in bone provide structural integrity of the skeleton

**-About 99% of Ca of our body is in bone.**

**- about 0.1% in ECF**

**- 1% of our body Ca is in cells organells**

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# BONE GROWTH:-

Growth occurs at **epiphyseal** المشاشني **Linear plates.**

-Increase in width occurs at **periosteum**

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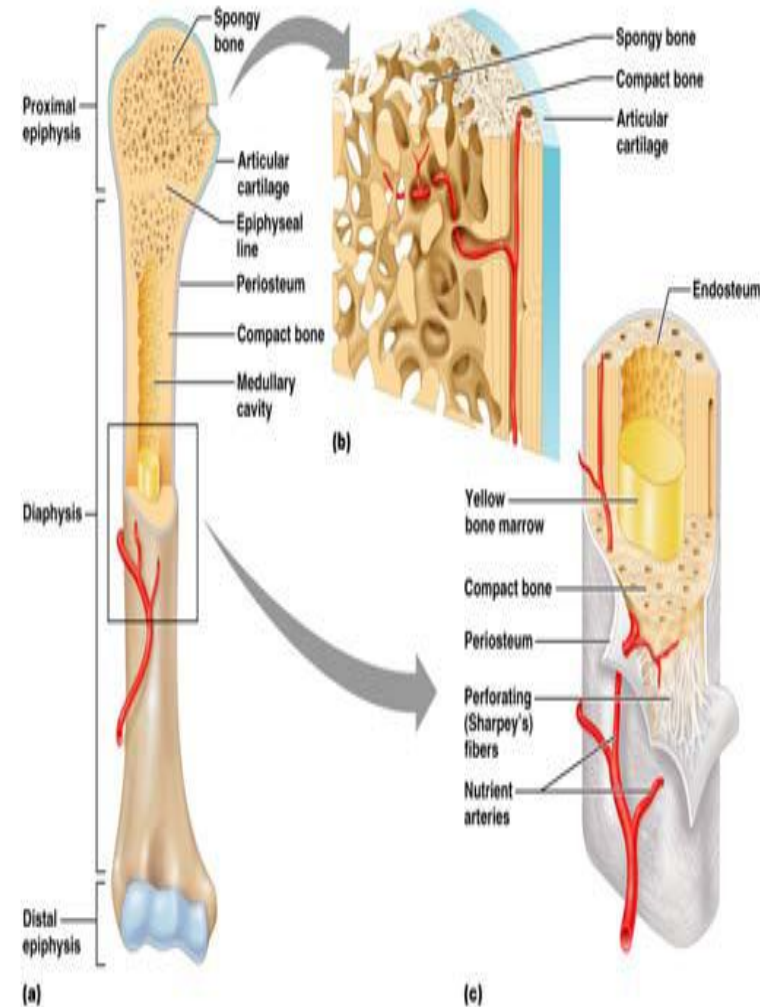
-During growth , bone mass increases and bone formation exceeds

امتصاص Resorption

- **10%** of total adult bone mass turns over **إعادة** each year during **remodeling process** تشكيل

Once adult bone mass is achieved **equal rates of formation and resorption to** maintain bone mass

-At about 30 years old , rate of resorption begins to exceed formation and bone mass slowly decreases.



# Bone Cells

There are three types of bone cells:

## Osteoblast :

Bone forming cell present on outer surface of bone and in bone cavities

-secretes collagen forming bone matrix around themselves then they calcified (on which  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  and  $\text{PO}_4$  precipitate) -  
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## (2) Osteocytes :

Mature bone cell derived from osteoblasts.

It is enclosed in bone matrix.

Q - What is the function of osteocytes ?

A -Transfer of calcium from bone canaliculi to the ECF

## (3) Osteoclast :

large phagocytic multinucleated  
,its activity controlled by Parathormone hormone

-function is to resorb the formed bone. HOW?

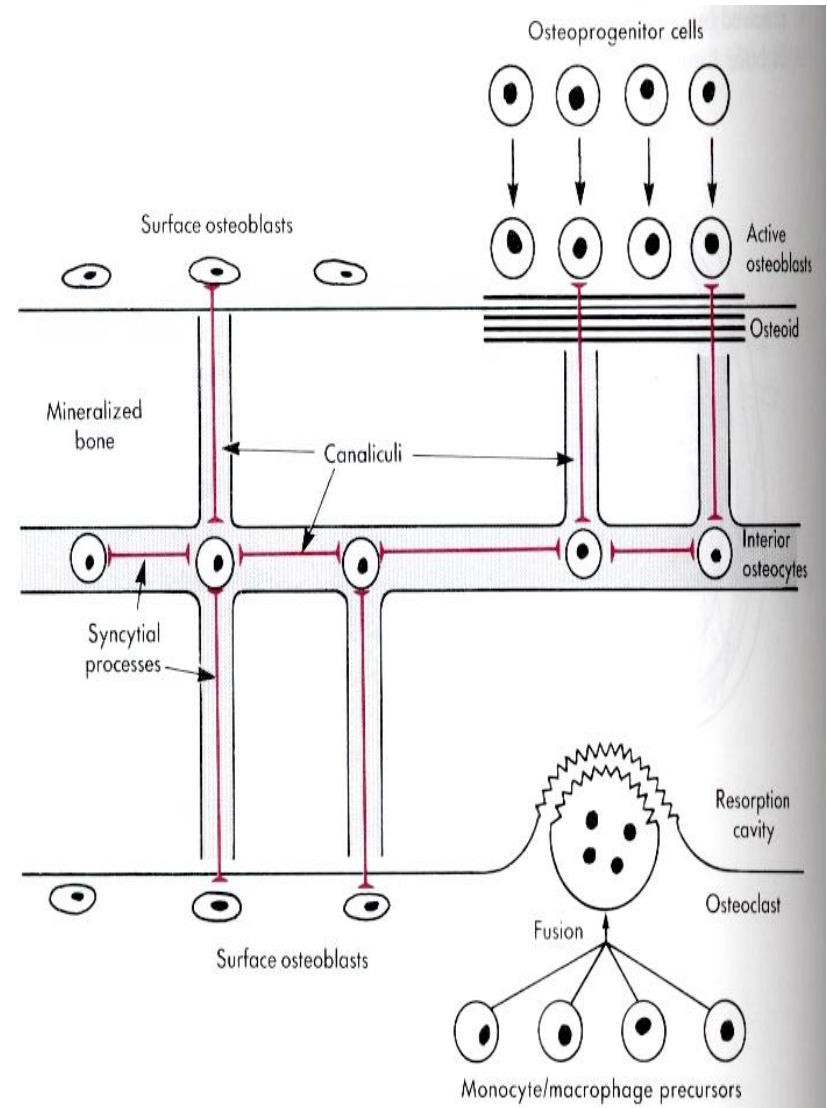


# Canaliculi

- fluid-containing channels called the canaliculi.

- Interior osteocytes remain connected to surface cells (osteoblasts) via syncytial cell processes.

- Osteocytes transfer calcium from large surface area of the interior of canaliculi to the ECF



## Bone formation

1- Bone formation begins when Active •  
osteoblasts synthesize uncalcified Collagen  
(raws) of an organic صفائف fibrils to form  
matrix called Osteoid. called osteocytes)

2- Then Mineralization ( Deposition & precipitation of •  
Calcium & Phosphate on the Osteoid collagen fibers forming  
hydroxyapatite crystals over a period of weeks or months)



## ارتشاف **Control of bone resorption**

Bone resorption of  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  occurs by two mechanisms :

- (1) **Osteocytic osteolysis** → rapid and transient effect
- (2) **Osteoclastic resorption** → slow and sustained mechanism .

-What is the effect of ( PTH ) & vitamin D & Oestrogen in bone resorption?

# 1-Osteocytic Resorption (osteolysis)

- by osteocytes.
- Osteocytes digest mineralized bone & transfere calcium & Po4 from canaliculi to ECF
- Does not decrease bone mass
- reduce calcium & Po4
- Removes calcium from recently formed crystals
- Quick process begins in minutes. •

## (2) Osteoclastic resorption :-

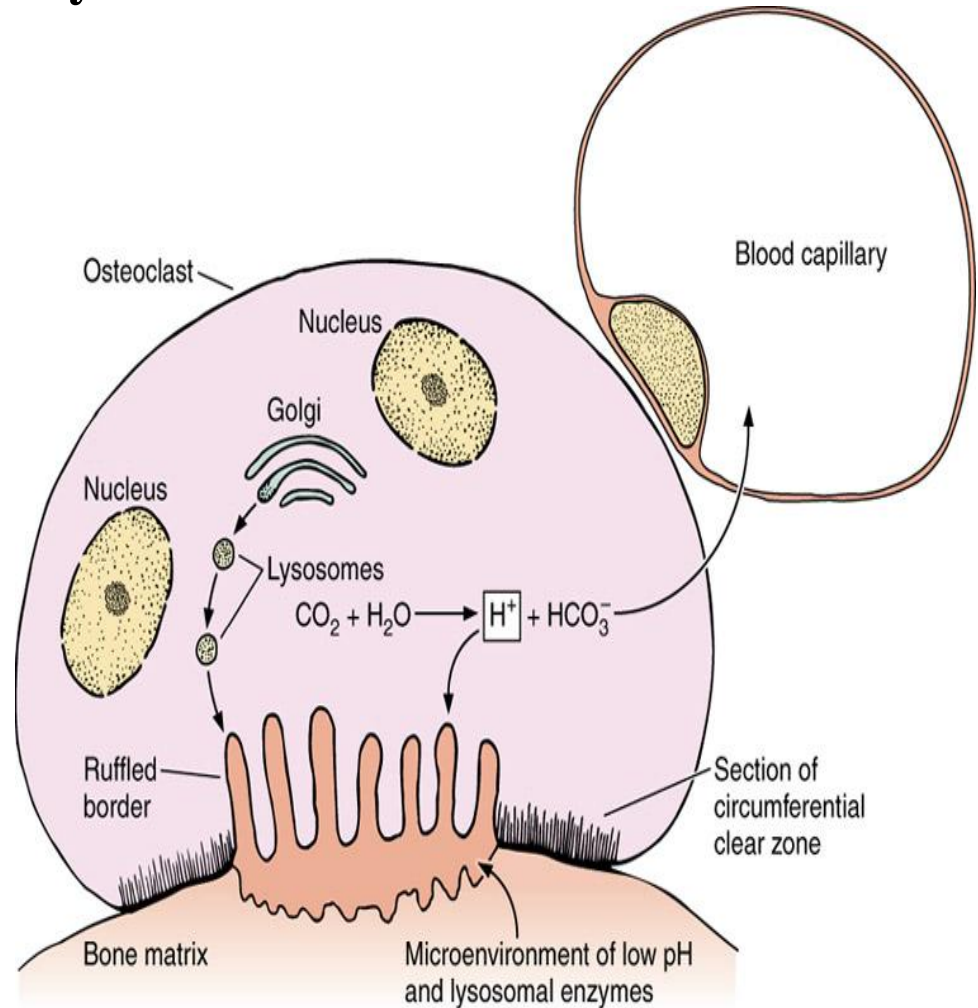
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--slow and sustained needs several **days or weeks** .

- destroys **matrix of old bone**

- diminishes **bone mass** & not calcium &  $\text{Po}_4$

- By osteoclasts.

(acidify area of bone to dissolve hydroxyapatite by Hcl then lysosomes & acid proteases digest collagen)



# Bone remodeling (إعادة تشكيل)

-What is the meaning of bone resorption?

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-Endocrine signals to resting osteoblasts generate paracrine signals to osteoclasts)

-Osteoclasts digest and resorb an area of mineralized bone.(how?)

- Local macrophages clean up debris.

-Then osteoblasts are recruited to site & deposit new matrix

**-What is the role of osteocytes?**

-New bone replaces resorbed bone.

-Figure 79-5 •

## **Bone remodeling affected by;-**

**1-Mechanical stress on bone stimulates formation of stronger bone**

**2- Parathyroid hormone (PTH) & 1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol**

**3- Calcitonin**

# Osteoporosis :-

- Reduced bone density & mass
- diminished bone matrix ( )
- bone becomes weak & ca++ is lost from skeleton.**
- Earlier in life for women than men. Why ?
- The rate of osteoclastic resorption exceeds deposition of new bone by osteoblastic activity .What are the causes?

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## Reduced risk by:

- High Calcium in the diet
- habitual exercise
- avoidance of smoking & alcohol intake & drinking carbonated soft drinks

# Hormonal control of Calcium

1-Parathyroid hormone (PTH)

2- 1,25-dihydroxycholecalciferol ( active form of Vitamin D3)  
(cholecalciferol = Vitamin D3)

3- Calcitonin

- They regulate  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  resorption, absorption and excretion from the three organs that function in  $\text{Ca}^{++}$ homeostasis ( bone, kidney and intestine).



# -1-Vitamin D

-Humans acquire vitamin D from two sources.

- 1-produced in the skin by ultraviolet radiation on cholesterol to form Vit D3(cholecalciferol) ( exposure to sun ultraviolet prevents vit D deficiency)

2- ingested in the diet-

-In liver:- Vit D3 converted to 25 hydroxycholecalciferol ,

in kidney :- Parathormone (PTH) convert it to **1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol (active form)**

The main action of active Vitamin D (1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol )

- stimulate absorption of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  &  $\text{PO}_4$  from the intestine

- stimulate Ca reabsorption in kidneys

- help in bone formation & absorption (large amounts of vit D cause bone absorption, but in small amounts stimulates bone calcification as it increases calcium absorption)

- Mobilize  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  from bone into plasma by increasing number of osteoclasts to increase plasma  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  levels (only when it drops)

## 2-Parathyroid Hormone (PTH)

Parathormone from parathyroid gland

Functions:-

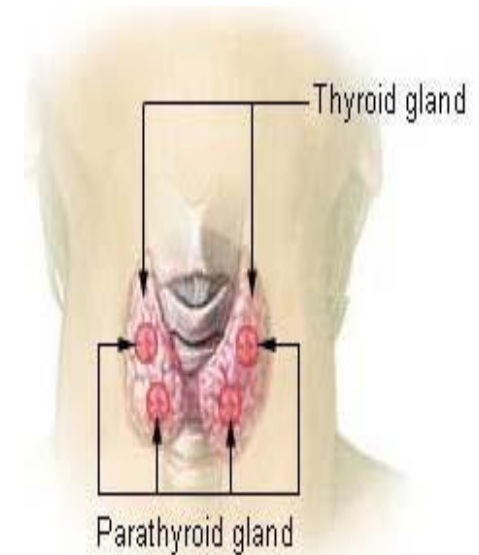
- increase plasma  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  levels when it drops and decrease plasma phosphate levels by:

1- acts directly on the bones to stimulate  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  absorption from bone & bone resorption by activating osteoclasts

2- on kidney to stimulate  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  reabsorption & prevents its excretion & inhibit reabsorption of phosphate .

3- acts indirectly on kidney by activation of 25-(OH) - D into 1,25-(OH)<sub>2</sub>-D (active vit D)

4-on intestine to stimulate  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  reabsorption



## 3-Calcitonin

- Calcitonin is from parafollicular cells of the thyroid gland (C cells)
- Calcitonin acts to decrease plasma  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  levels.
- Stimulated by a rise in plasma  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  levels
- suppresses osteoclastic activity
- decrease formation of new osteoclasts
- it increases osteoblastic activity