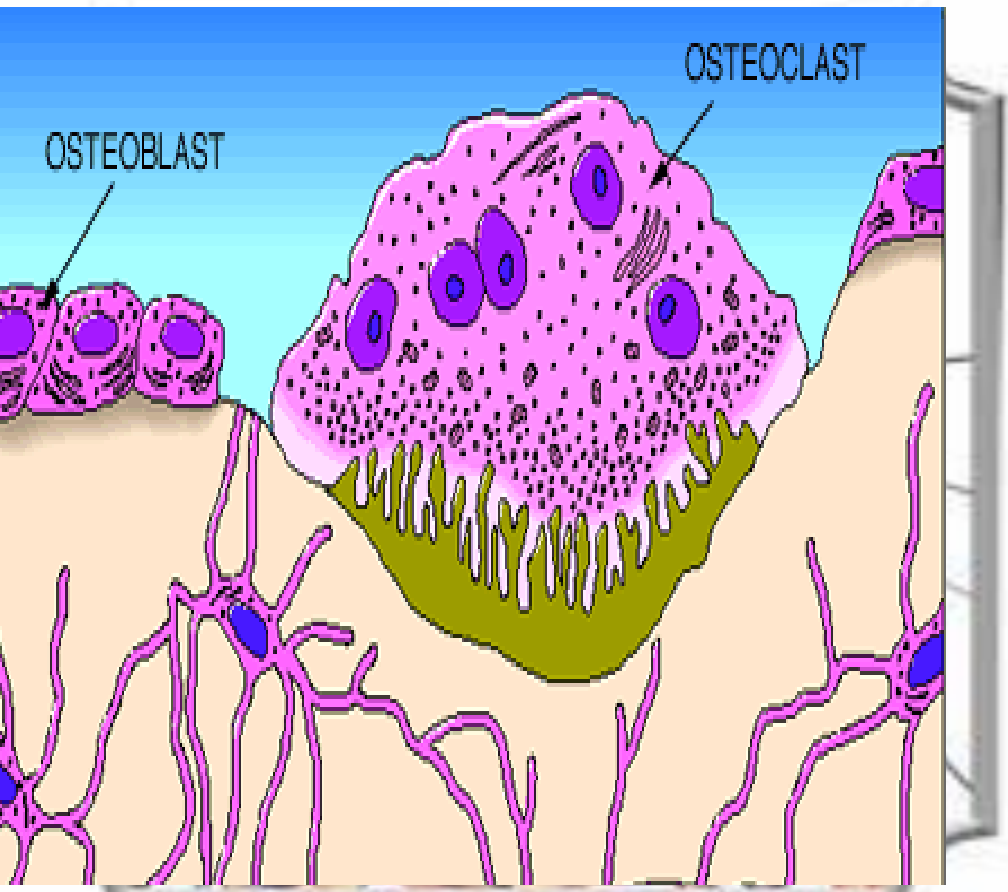


Physiology of Bone



Prof. faten zakareia
Professor of Physiology
College of Medicine
King Saud University

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 Ca^{++} , PO_4 to maintain constant concentrations of them in body fluids
- 5-Allows body movement

Structure of bone:-

Porous mineralized structure

A-Cells ???

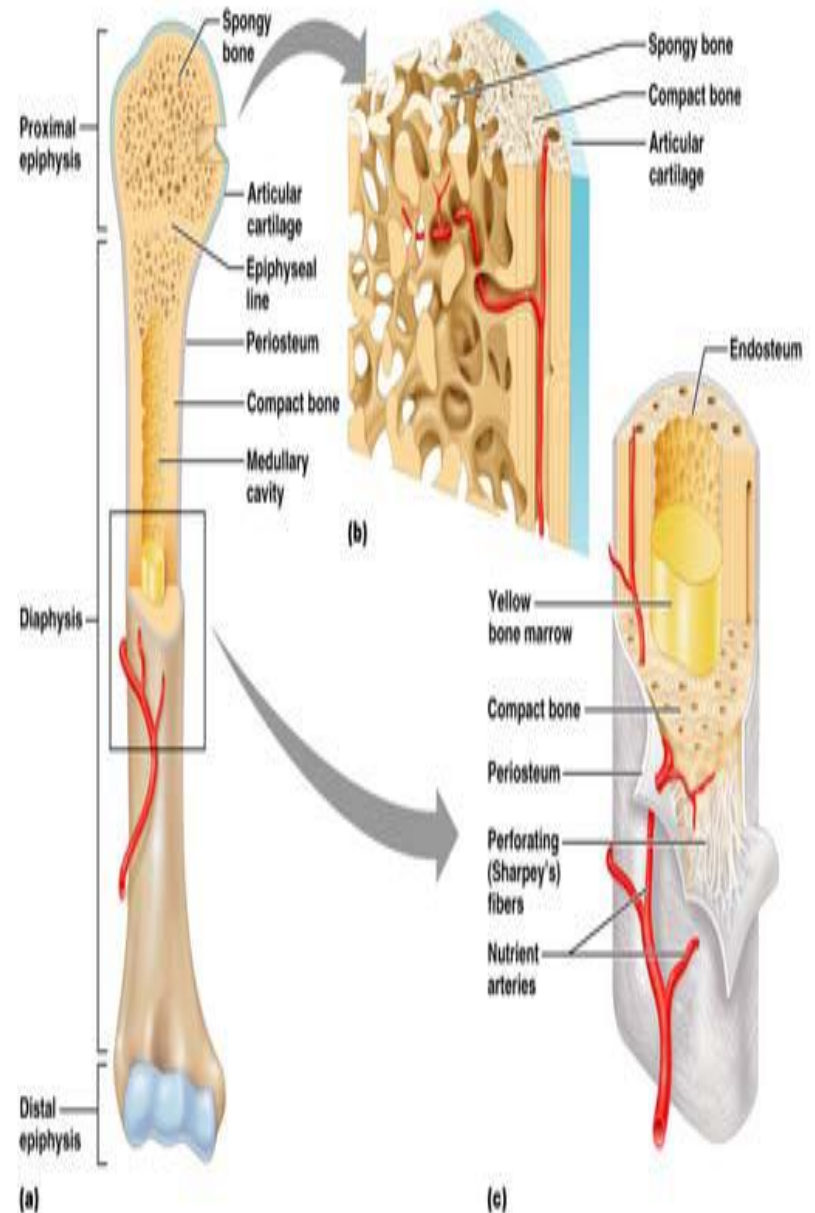
B-Bone matrix

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 %

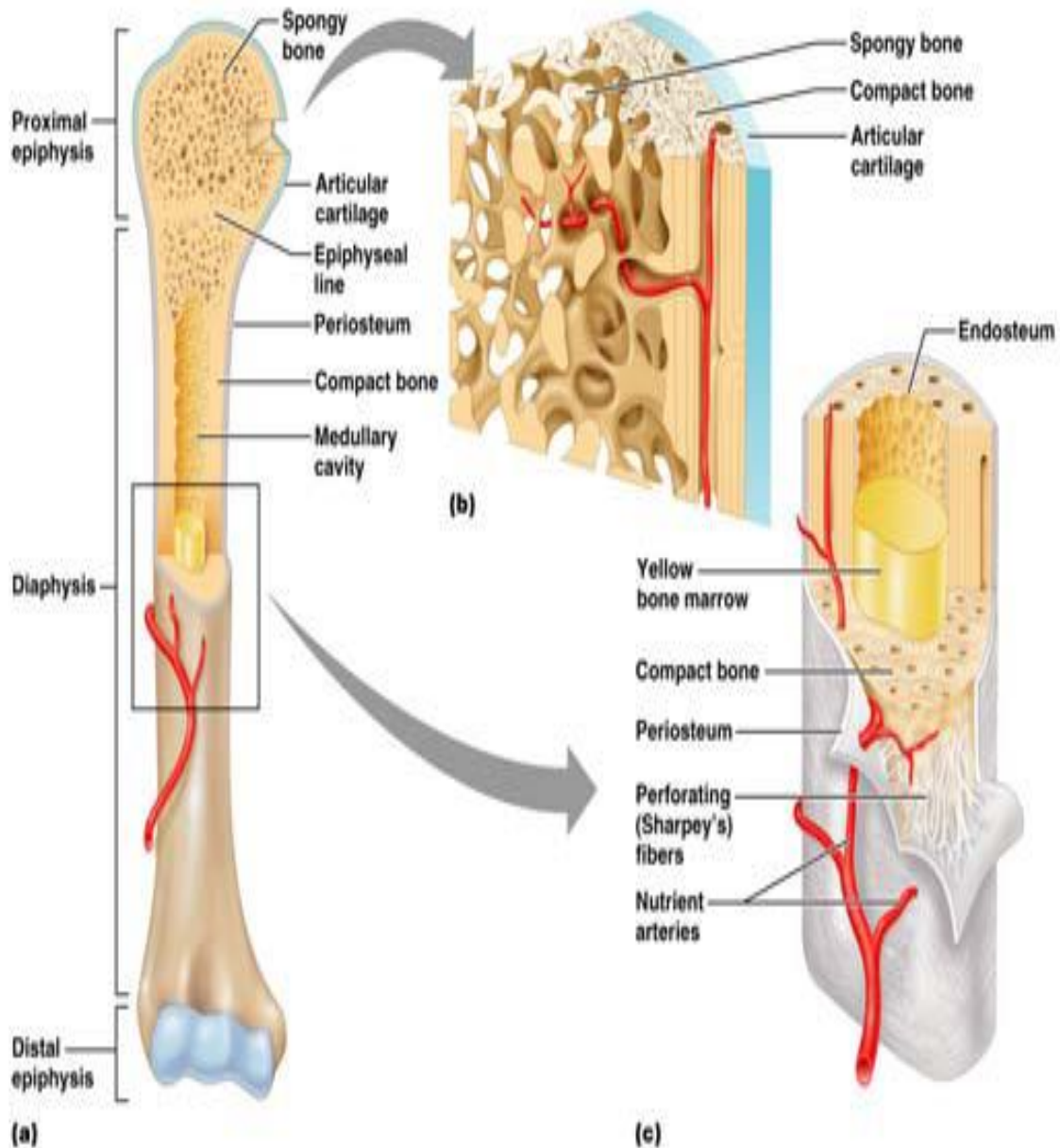
-Constitutes the dense concentric layers of long bones

-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).



Copyright © 2006 Pearson Education, Inc., publishing as Benjamin Cummings.

Compact bone

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

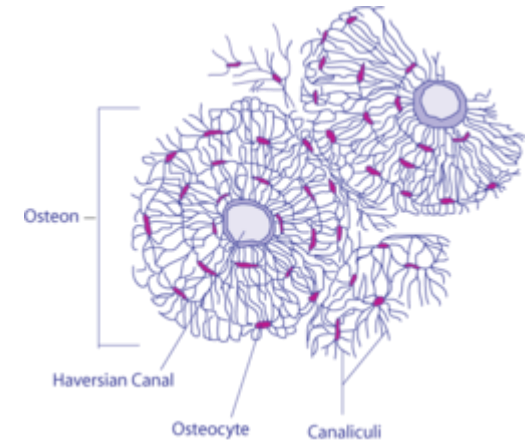
معدل دوران معدل -has a **slow** Ca^{++} turnover rate

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

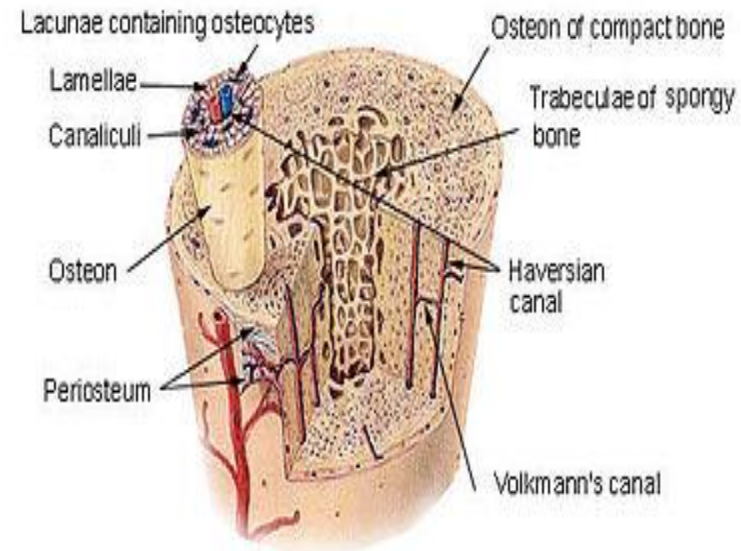
-There is a series of adjacent bull's eye osteons or Harvesian systems.

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)



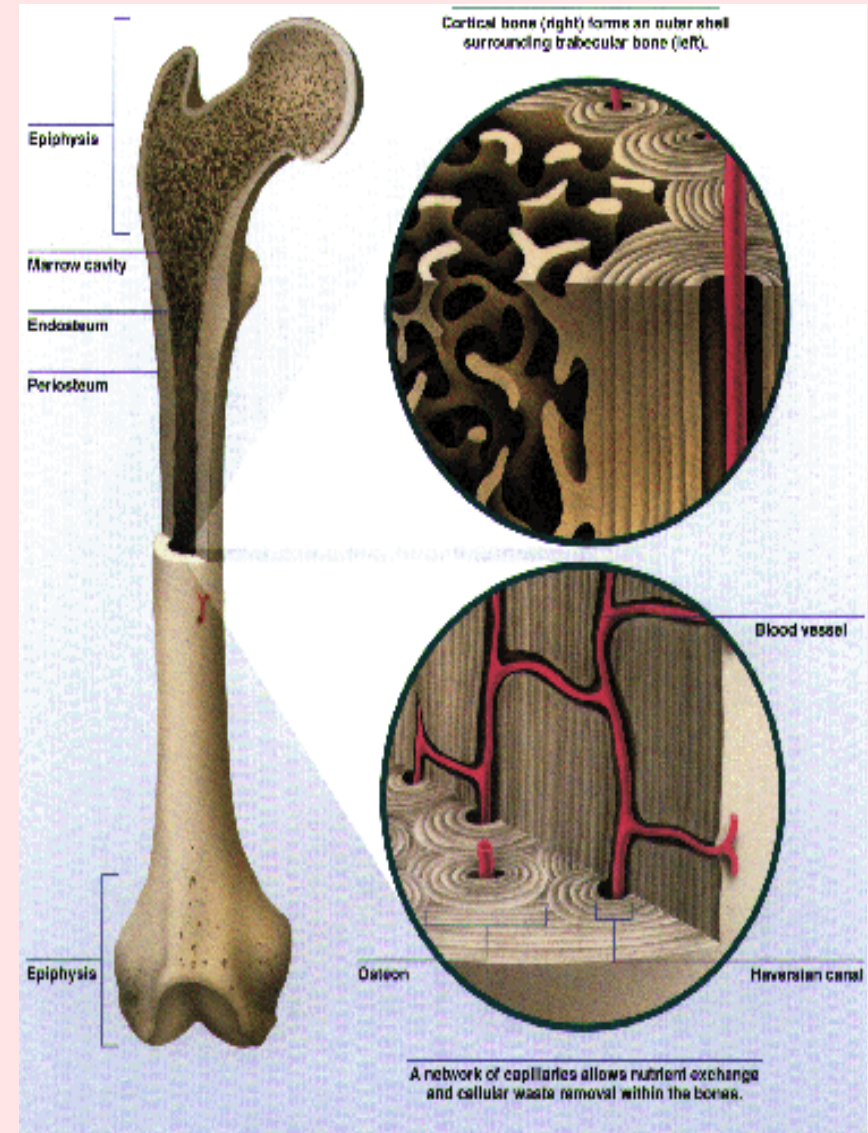
Trabecular (spongy-Cancellous) Bone

-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 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 Ca^{2+} is biologically active, produce all Ca^{++} functions on heart & nervous system .

Q-What are Ca^{++} functions?

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

Phosphate (PO₄⁻):

Calcium is tightly regulated with Phosphorous in the body.

-85% of PO₄⁻ in bone

-15% in cells

- less than 1% in ECF In forms as H₂PO₄⁻ , HPO₄²⁻

PO₄⁻ normal plasma concentration is 3.0-4.5 mg/dL.

Ca⁺⁺ x PO₄⁻ = constant (solubility product)

-if any one increase it should precipitate in bone مترسب

Bone & Ca⁺⁺

- 70% of Bone is formed of calcium (99% of the Calcium of bone in form of hydroxyapatite crystal) & phosphate salts (**CaPO₄ 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**
- **Exchangable Ca⁺⁺ of bone (0.4 – 1% of total bone Ca⁺⁺) has rapid buffering mechanisms, to keep ECF Ca⁺⁺ levels constant , if ECF Ca⁺⁺ falls below normal, this Ca will move from bone into ECF**

BONE GROWTH:-

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

-Increase in width occurs at **periosteum**

غشاء العظم

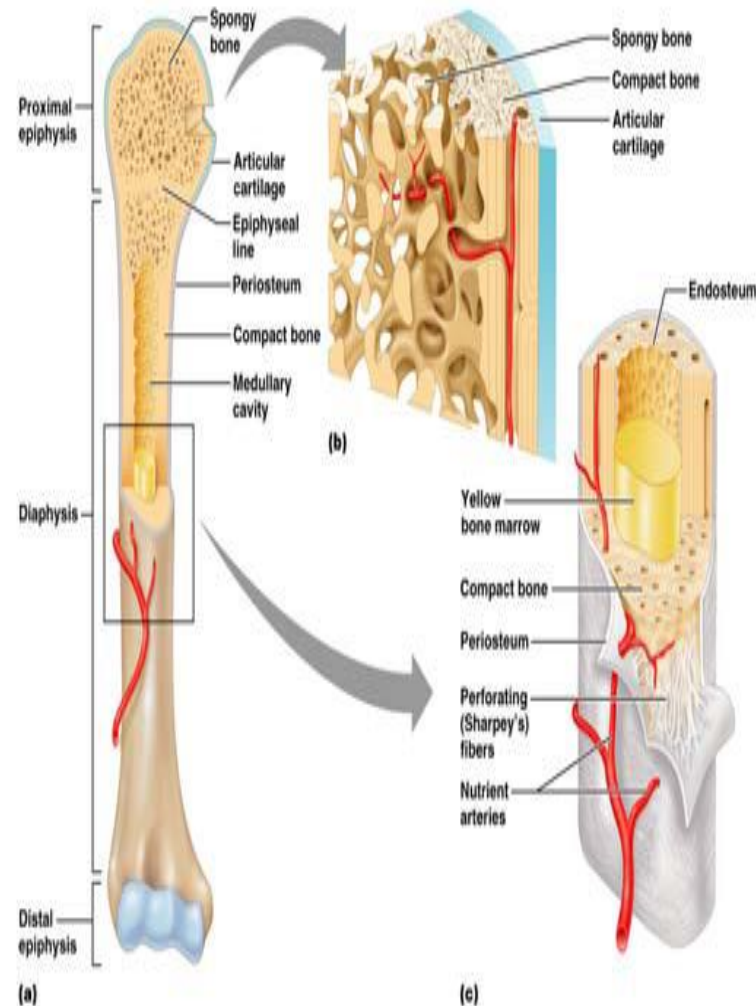
-During growth , bone mass increases and bone formation exceeds

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 Ca^{++} and PO_4 precipitate) ^{ينرسب}

(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 :

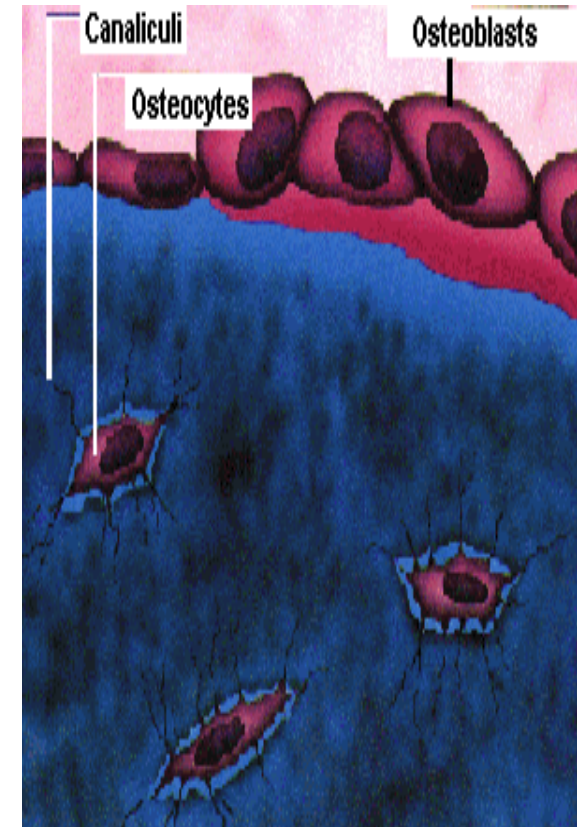
large phagocytic multinucleated cell derived from -

monocytes ,its activity controlled by Parathormone hormone

-function is to **resorb** the formed bone. They secrete:__

1- proteolytic enzymes as proteases digest collagen & dissolve organic matrix of bone

2-Hcl also citric and lactic acids to acidify area of bone to dissolve bone salts as hydroxyapatite acid



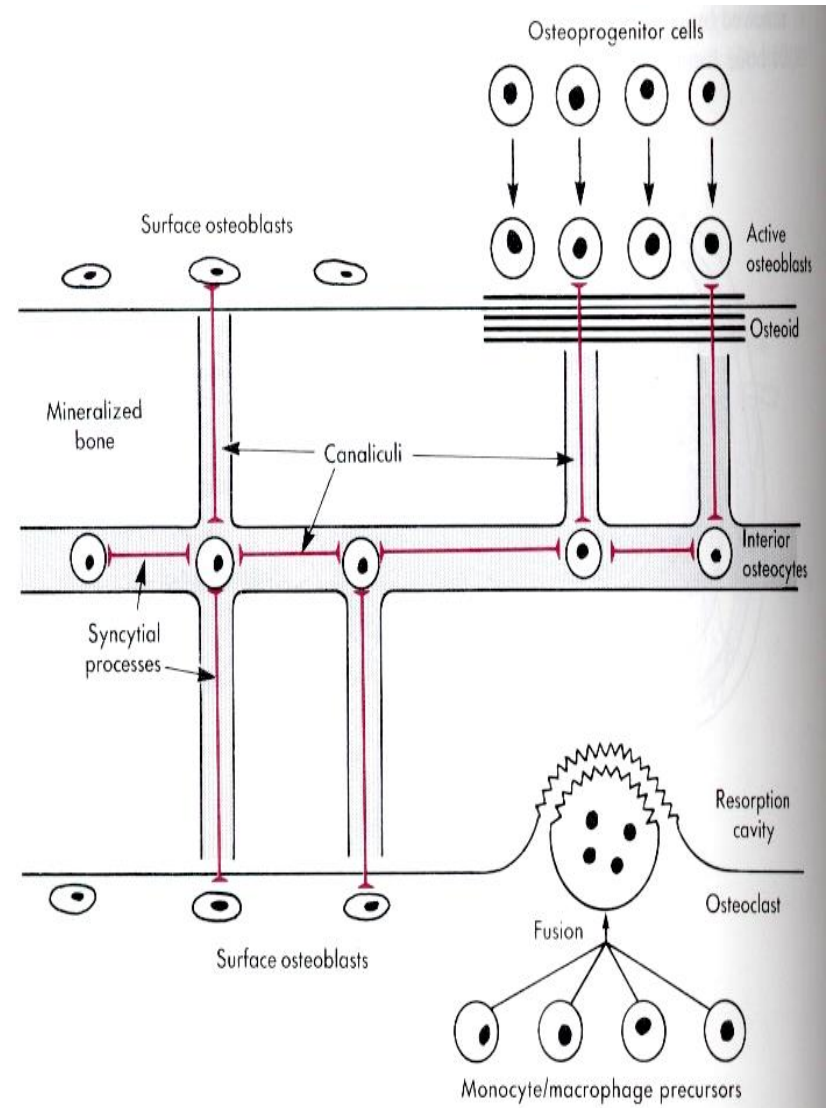
Canaliculi

- fluid-containing channels called the canaliculi.

- Canaliculi traverse *تعبّر خلال* the mineralized bone.

-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. (some of osteoblasts become entrapped in it & become quiescent now are 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)

- Requires adequate Vitamin D

- Alkaline phosphatase and osteocalcin play roles in bone formation (their plasma levels are indicators of osteoblast activity).

ارتشاف Control of bone resorption

Bone resorption of Ca^{++} occurs by two mechanisms : •

(1) **Osteocytic osteolysis** → rapid and transient effect •

(2) **Osteoclastic resorption** → slow and sustained mechanism . •

-Both are stimulated by Parathyroid Hormone •

(PTH) & vitamin D they stimulate production of mature osteoclasts. Oestrogen stimulate OPG factor(osteoprotegerin) that inhibit formation of mature osteoclasts

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 :-

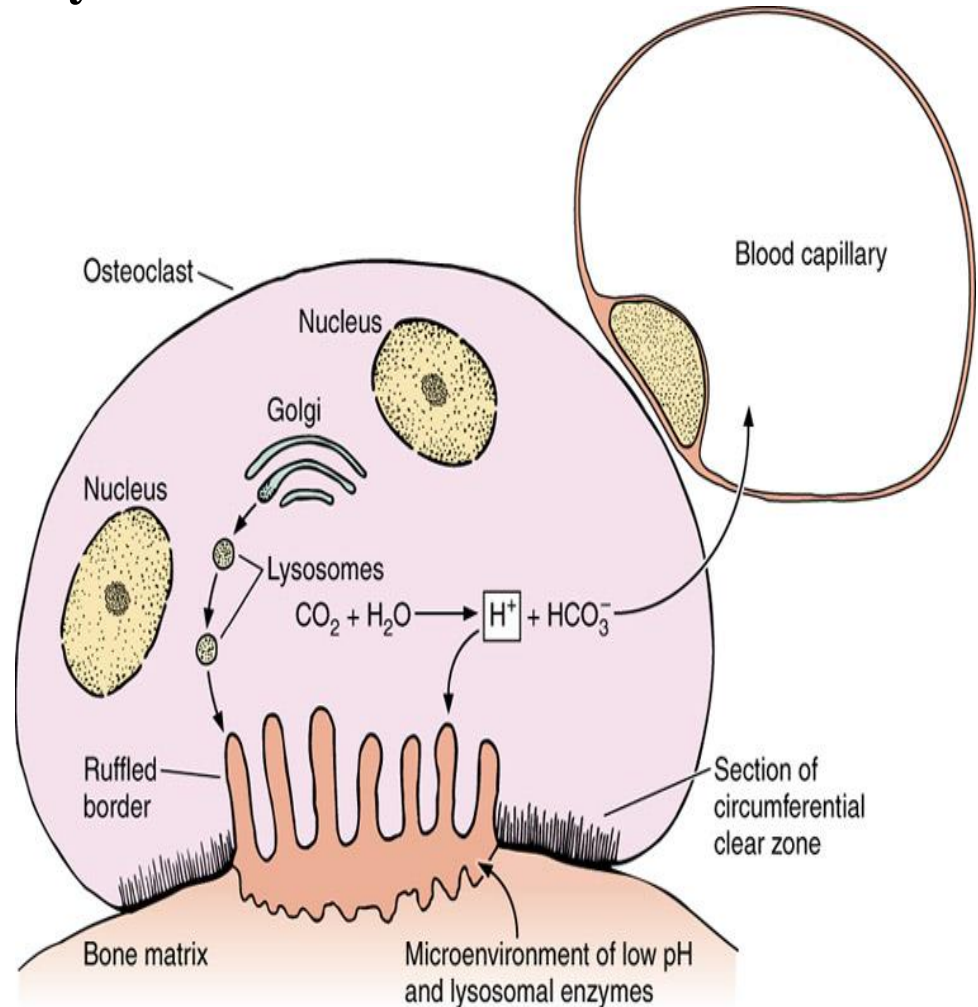
=
--slow and sustained needs several **days or weeks** .

- destroys **matrix of old bone**

- diminishes **bone mass** & not calcium & Po_4

- By osteoclasts.

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



Bone remodeling (إعادة تشكيل)

- Means continuous deposition of new bone by osteoblasts & absorption of old bone by osteoclasts

-it maintain normal toughness of bone.

-Endocrine signals to resting osteoblasts generate paracrine signals to osteoclasts (osteoblasts secrete a factor helps in differentiation and maturation of osteoclasts)

-Osteoclasts digest and resorb an area of mineralized bone. (by acids & enzymes mentioned before)

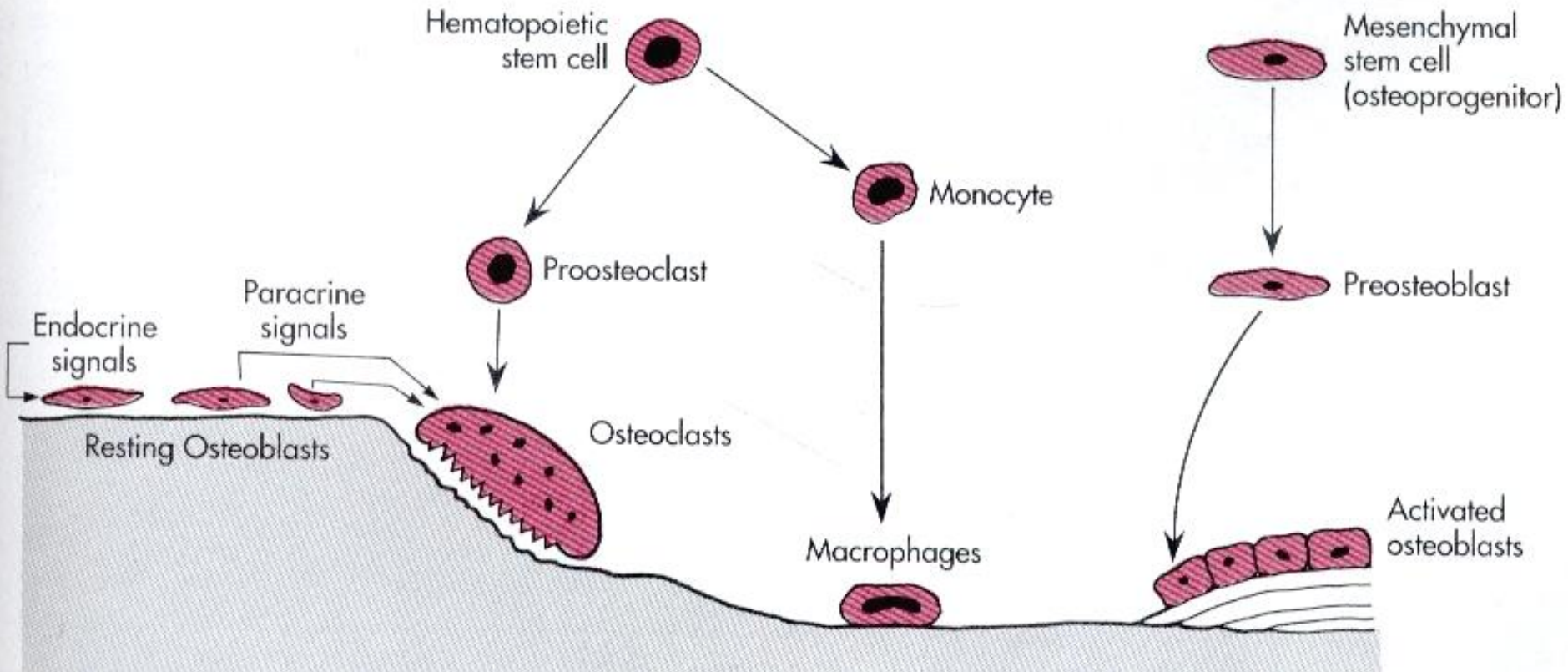
- Local macrophages clean up debris.

-Then osteoblasts are recruited to site & deposit new matrix which will be mineralized (Also, osteocytes which are osteoblast entrapped inside in bone matrix form a system of interconnected cells spread all inside bone)

-New bone replaces resorbed bone.

-Figure 79-5 •

Osteoclasts and Ca⁺⁺ resorption



Bone remodeling affected by;-

1-Mechanical stress on bone stimulates formation of stronger bone, athletes bone is stronger & heavier than non athletes

2- Parathyroid hormone (PTH) & 1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol stimulates osteoclastic activity & formation of osteoclasts

3- Calcitonin inhibits activity & formation of osteoclasts



Osteoporosis :-

-Reduced bone density & mass

- diminished bone matrix (**not from poor calcification as in rickets or osteomalasia**)

-bone becomes weak & ca++ is lost from skeleton

-Susceptibility to fracture.

-Earlier in life for women than men due to increased resorption during pre-menopause .Why ?

-The rate of osteoclastic resorption exceeds deposition of new bone by osteoblastic activity

- Cause/1- loss of anabolic steroids as estrogen & testosterone which stim osteoblastic activity& decrease osteoclasts activity

2- lack of physical stress 3-old age & decreased growth H

4-malnutrition &vit C deficiency all reduce matrix& ostoid formation

Reduced risk by:

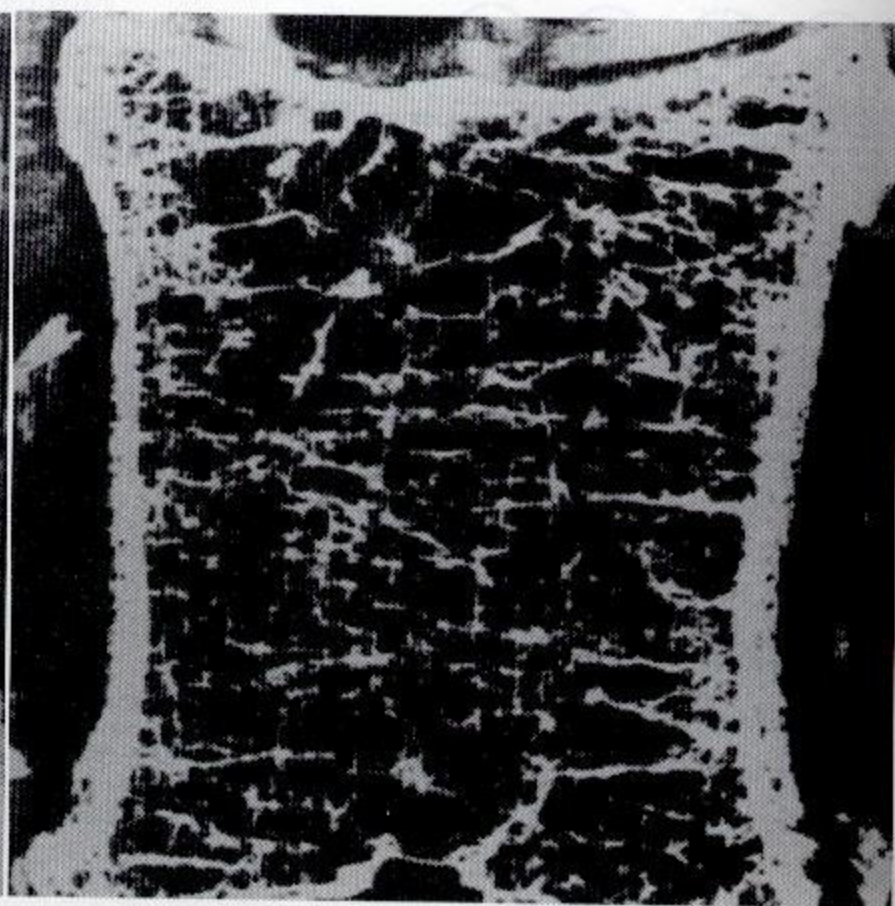
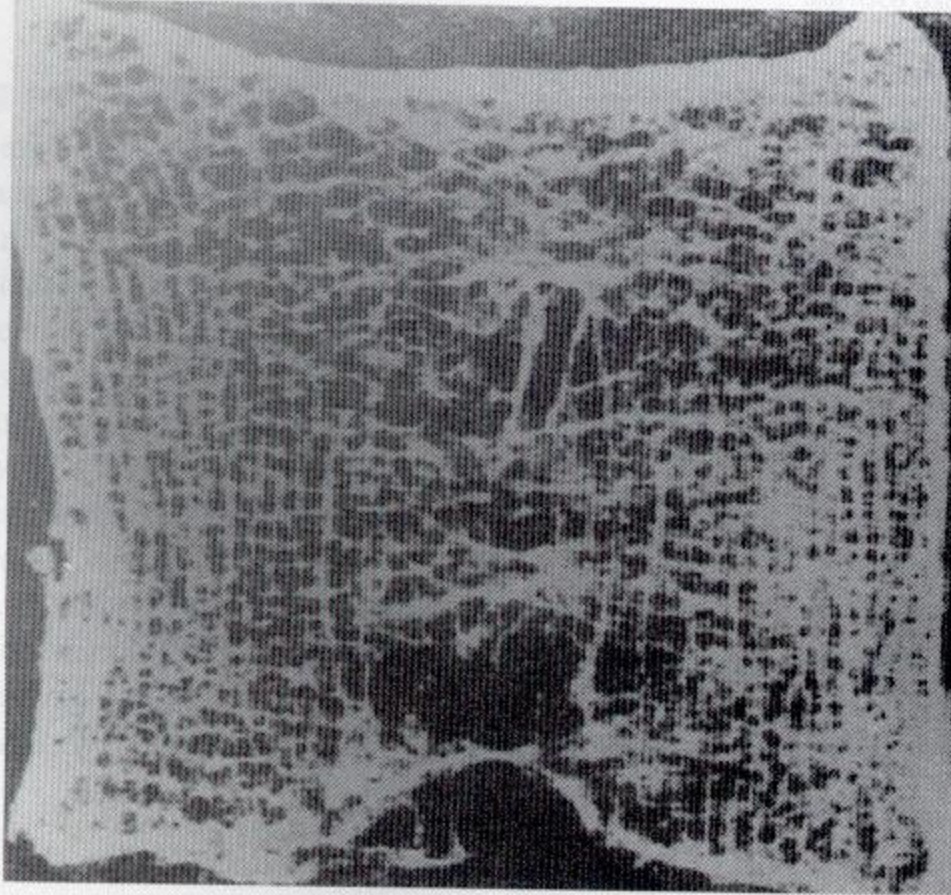
--High Calcium in the diet

--habitual exercise

--avoidance of smoking & alcohol intake & drinking carbonated soft drinks

Vertebrae of 40- vs. 92-year-old women

Note the marked loss of trabeculae with preservation of cortex.



Hormonal control of Calcium

1-Parathyroid hormone (PTH)

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

3- Calcitonin

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

■ **Table 48-1** Major effects of various hormones on bone

<i>Bone formation</i>	<i>Bone resorption</i>
Stimulated by	Stimulated by
Growth hormone (constant)	Parathyroid hormone (constant)
Insulin-like growth factors	Vitamin D
Insulin	Cortisol
Estrogen	Thyroid hormone
Androgen	Prostaglandins
Vitamin D (mineralization)	Interleukin-1
Transforming growth factor- β	Interleukin-6
Skeletal growth factor	Tumor necrosis factor α
Bone-derived growth factor	Tumor necrosis factor β
Platelet-derived growth factor	
Calcitonin	
Parathyroid hormone (intermittent)	
Inhibited by	Inhibited by
Cortisol	Estrogen
	Androgen
	Calcitonin
	Transforming growth factor- β
	γ -Interferon
	Nitric oxide

Hormonal control of bones

-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)

-
--If plasma Ca^{++} level is high formation of 1,25 dihydroxycholecalciferol (active form) is inhibited,
-so calcium absorption from intestine, bone, kidney is reduced

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

- stimulate absorption of Ca^{2+} & PO_4 from the intestine (calbindin protein)
- stimulate Ca reabsorption in kidneys
- help in bone formation & absorption (large amounts of vit D cause bone absorption, it increases calcium transport through cell membranes to outside bone , but in small amounts stimulates bone calcification as it increase calcium absorption from intestine & kidney also increases calcium transport through cell membranes to inside bone to osteoblast & osteocyte membranes
- Mobilize Ca^{++} from bone into plasma by increasing number of osteoclasts to increase plasma Ca^{++} levels (only when it drops)

2-Parathyroid Hormone (PTH)

Parathormone from parathyroid gland

Functions:-

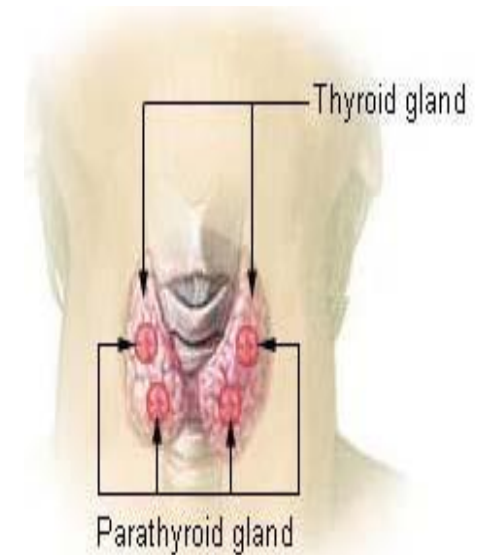
- increase plasma Ca^{++} levels when it drops and decrease plasma phosphate levels by:

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

2- on kidney to stimulate Ca^{++} reabsorption in the distal tubule & prevents its excretion & inhibit reabsorption of phosphate (**thereby stimulating its excretion**).

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

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



3-Calcitonin

- Calcitonin is synthesized and secreted by the parafollicular cells of the thyroid gland (C cells)
- Calcitonin acts to decrease plasma Ca^{++} levels.
- Stimulated by a rise in plasma Ca^{++} levels
- suppresses osteoclastic activity(osteocytic osteolysis) and number in bone
- decrease formation of new osteoclasts
- it increases osteoblastic activity to mineralize bone

(over long period decreased osteoclasts activity are followed with decreased number of osteoblasts & little effect on bone)