

Overview of the Skeleton: Classification and Structure of Bones and Cartilages

Bone Markings

1. Match the terms in column B with the appropriate description in column A.

| Column A | Column B |
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| _____ 1. sharp, slender process* | a. condyle |
| _____ 2. small rounded projection* | b. crest |
| _____ 3. narrow ridge of bone* | c. epicondyle |
| _____ 4. large rounded projection* | d. fissure |
| _____ 5. structure supported on neck [†] | e. foramen |
| _____ 6. armlike projection [†] | f. fossa |
| _____ 7. rounded, articular projection [‡] | g. head |
| _____ 8. narrow opening [‡] | h. meatus |
| _____ 9. canal-like structure [‡] | i. process |
| _____ 10. round or oval opening through a bone [‡] | j. ramus |
| _____ 11. shallow depression [†] | k. sinus |
| _____ 12. air-filled cavity | l. spine |
| _____ 13. large, irregularly shaped projection* | m. trochanter |
| _____ 14. raised area on or above a condyle* | n. tubercle |
| _____ 15. projection or prominence | o. tuberosity |

*a site of muscle attachment

[†]takes part in joint formation

[‡]a passageway for nerves or blood vessels

Classification of Bones

2. The four major anatomical classifications of bones are long, short, flat, and irregular. Which category has the least amount of spongy bone relative to its total volume? _____

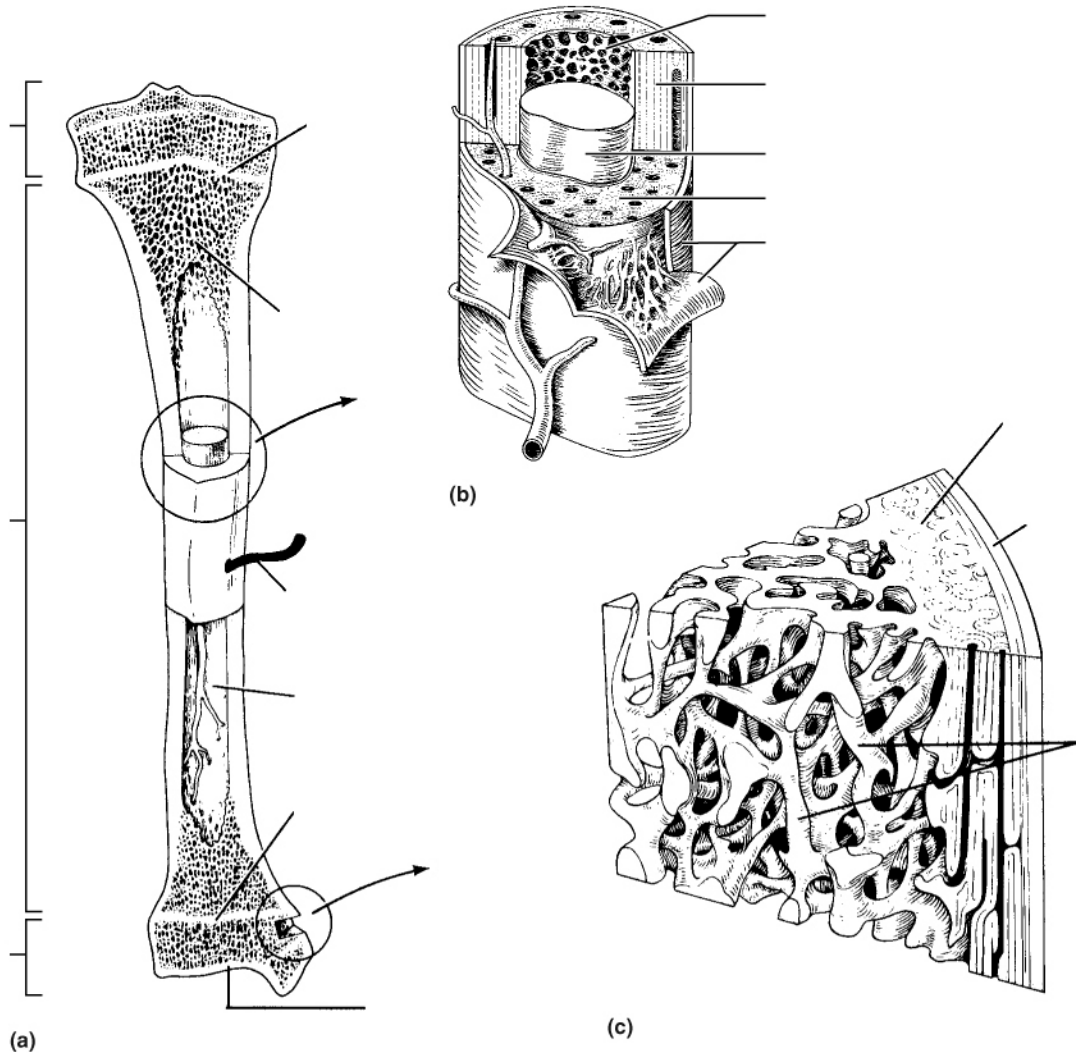
3. Place the name of each labeled bone in Figure 9.1, page 112, into the appropriate column of the chart here.

| Long | Short | Flat | Irregular |
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Gross Anatomy of the Typical Long Bone

4. Use the terms below to identify the structures marked by leader lines and braces in the diagrams (some terms are used more than once).

- Key:
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| a. articular cartilage | e. epiphyseal line | i. periosteum |
| b. compact bone | f. epiphysis | j. red marrow cavity |
| c. diaphysis | g. medullary cavity | k. trabeculae of spongy bone |
| d. endosteum | h. nutrient artery | l. yellow marrow |



5. Match the terms in question 4 with the information below.

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| _____ 1. contains spongy bone in adults | _____ 5. scientific term for bone shaft |
| _____ 2. made of compact bone | _____ 6. contains fat in adult bones |
| _____ 3. site of blood cell formation | _____ 7. growth plate remnant |
| _____, _____ 4. major submembranous site of osteoclasts | _____ 8. major submembranous site of osteoblasts |

6. What differences between compact and spongy bone can be seen with the naked eye? _____

7. What is the function of the periosteum? _____

Microscopic Structure of Compact Bone

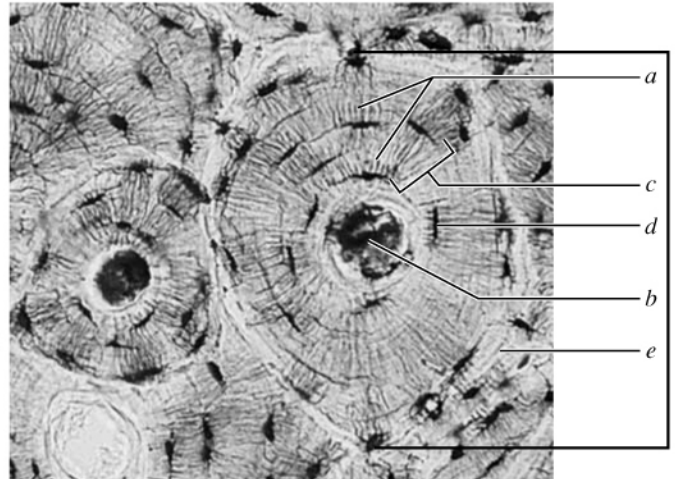
8. Trace the route taken by nutrients through a bone, starting with the periosteum and ending with an osteocyte in a lacuna.

Periosteum → _____ → _____ → _____ osteocyte

9. Several descriptions of bone structure are given below. Identify the structure involved by choosing the appropriate term from the key and placing its letter in the blank. Then, on the photomicrograph of bone on the right (208×), identify all structures named in the key and bracket an osteon.

Key: a. canaliculi b. central canal c. concentric lamellae d. lacunae e. matrix

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| _____ 1. layers of bony matrix around a central canal |
| _____ 2. site of osteocytes |
| _____ 3. longitudinal canal carrying blood vessels, lymphatics, and nerves |
| _____ 4. minute canals connecting osteocytes of an osteon |
| _____ 5. inorganic salts deposited in organic ground substance |



Chemical Composition of Bone

10. What is the function of the organic matrix in bone? _____
11. Name the important organic bone components. _____
12. Calcium salts form the bulk of the inorganic material in bone. What is the function of the calcium salts?

13. Baking removes _____ from bone. Soaking bone in acid removes _____.

Ossification: Bone Formation and Growth in Length

14. Compare and contrast events occurring on the epiphyseal and diaphyseal faces of the epiphyseal plate.

Epiphyseal face: _____

Diaphyseal face: _____

Cartilages of the Skeleton

15. Using the key choices, identify each type of cartilage described (in terms of its body location or function) below.

Key: a. elastic b. fibrocartilage c. hyaline

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| _____ | 1. supports the external ear | _____ | 6. meniscus in a knee joint |
| _____ | 2. between the vertebrae | _____ | 7. connects the ribs to the sternum |
| _____ | 3. forms the walls of the voice box (larynx) | _____ | 8. most effective at resisting compression |
| _____ | 4. the epiglottis | _____ | 9. most springy and flexible |
| _____ | 5. articular cartilages | _____ | 10. most abundant |