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# Flexibility in the osteoblast lineage

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The classic view, based primarily on studies of cells in culture, is that mesenchymal progenitors in the bone marrow (called "mesenchymal stem cells" by some investigators) have the potential to differentiate into osteoblasts, chondrocytes, and adipocytes. Osteoblast precursors first express Runx2, then osterix, and then other transcription factors that direct these cells first to proliferate and then differentiate into mature osteoblasts. The fates of osteoblasts include their dying by apoptosis or, instead, becoming osteocytes or inactive bone lining cells. In vivo studies using cre recombinase, controlled by various promoters and sometimes requiring tamoxifen administration for activation (through activation of a cre recombinase linked to the ligand binding domain of a mutated estrogen receptor) (creERt), have allowed the marking and genetic manipulation of cells in the skeletal system at various stages of differentiation and at specific times. These studies have demonstrated unanticipated flexibility in the lineage program just outlined.

Here we will show that, after osteoblast precursors express osterix in vivo in mice, removal of  $\beta$ -catenin expression from these cells steers many of these pre-osteoblasts into the adipocyte lineage. We also show that many osterix-expressing cells become stromal cells that support hematopoiesis. Further we show that inactive bone lining cells can be reactivated to participate in bone formation as mature osteoblasts after PTH administration. Finally, we show that collagen II-creERt can mark stem cells that subsequently can become osteoblasts, chondrocytes, or adipocytes and continue to do so for months after one administration of tamoxifen. This promoter can be activated by tamoxifen to generate marked osteoblasts several months after birth. When PTH is given to these mice, the number of osteoblast precursors increases in the several days after PTH administration, as indicated by counting of the cells marked as expressing the collagen II promoter. Thus, both the number and the fate of early cells of the osteoblast lineage can be manipulated to serve the changing needs of the organism.

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# Control of bone metabolism via organ crosstalk

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It was believed that cytokines and hormones are main regulators of bone remodeling. However, this view has been challenged. Organ network has been shown to play a major role in homeostasis, recently. Bone is not the exception.

Clinically, it is well known that head trauma accelerates fracture healing. Advances in molecular genetics revealed that neurons and neuropeptides, including sympathetic nervous system, are intimately involved in bone remodeling.

Semaphorin 3A (Sema3A) is a diffusible axonal chemorepellent that plays an important role in axon guidance. Previous studies have demonstrated that Sema3A is an osteo-anabolic autocrine and, accordingly, Sema3A-KO mice develop a low bone mass due to decreased bone formation. However, recently, we demonstrated that osteoblast-specific Sema3A-KO mice had normal bone mass, even though the expression of Sema3A in bone was substantially decreased. In contrast, mice lacking Sema3A in neurons had low bone mass similar to Sema3A-KO mice, indicating that neuron-derived Sema3A is responsible for the bone abnormalities independent of the local effect of Sema3A in bone. Indeed, sensory innervations of trabecular bone were significantly decreased in neuron-specific Sema3A-KO. Moreover, ablating sensory nerves decreased bone mass in wild-type mice, whereas it did not deteriorate low bone mass phenotype in neuron specific Sema3A-KO mice, further indicating the essential role of sensory nervous system in normal bone homeostasis. Thus, we demonstrated that sensory nervous system is also a critical regulator of bone remodeling.

In this lecture, I would like to discuss novel regulators of bone remodeling.

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# **Bone destruction by oral cancer**

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Oral squamous cell carcinoma (OSCC) frequently invades the jaws, and this invasion is associated with a worse prognosis. The mechanism underlying the bone invasion remains poorly understood. We histopathologically investigated mandibular invasion patterns in 97 cases of primary OSCC, and showed that in all cases varying amounts of fibrous connective tissues intervened between the tumor cells and the bone. Immunohistochemistry revealed RANKL expression in the fibroblastic cells that were adjacent to the osteoclasts in the area of bone resorption. These results suggest that the fibrous stroma is involved in osteoclastic bone resorption. To explore the molecular mechanism, we conducted microarray analyses using 43 human OSCC specimens, and revealed that many of specimens overexpressed *PTHrP* mRNA, but a few overexpressed *IL-6* mRNA. Immunohistochemical analysis revealed that IL-6 was expressed not only in cancer cells but also in fibroblasts at tumor-bone interface. Conditioned media (CM) derived from the culture of oral cancer cell lines stimulated Rankl expression in stromal cells and osteoclast formation. Antibodies against both human PTHrP and mouse IL-6 receptor suppressed *Rankl* in ST2 cells and osteoclast formation induced by CM. Xenografts of OSCC cells onto the periosteal region of the parietal bone in athymic mice presented similar histology and expression profiles of RANKL and IL-6 as observed in bone-invasive human OSCC specimens. These results indicate that OSCC provides a suitable microenvironment for osteoclast formation not only by producing IL-6 and PTHrP but also by stimulating stromal cells to synthesize IL-6.

Recent reports indicated the synthesis of RANKL by OSCC cells as well as the tumor stromal cells. Indeed, HSC3 and HO-1-N-1, human OSCC cell lines, expressed *RANKL* and stimulated *Rankl* expression in UAMS-32 murine osteoblastic cell line. We discriminated the roles of RANKL synthesized by stromal cells and cancer cells in cancer-associated bone resorption by using species-specific RANKL antibodies against murine RANKL and human RANKL, respectively. Osteoclastogenesis induced by the conditioned medium of HSC3 and HO-1-N-1 cells in a co-culture of murine bone marrow cells and UAMS-32 cells was inhibited by the addition of antibodies against either mouse or human RANKL. HSC3-induced bone destruction was greatly inhibited by the administration of anti-mouse RANKL antibody in a xenograft model. HO-1-N-1-induced bone destruction was inhibited by the administration of either anti-mouse or anti-human RANKL antibody. Bone destruction induced by the transplantation of human *RANKL*-overexpressing cells (HSC3-R2) was greatly inhibited by the injection of anti-human RANKL antibody. The present study revealed that RANKL produced by both stromal and cancer cells is involved in oral cancer-induced osteoclastic bone resorption. These results provide important information for understanding the cellular and molecular basis of cancer-associated bone destruction and the mechanism of action underlying RANKL antibody (denosumab) therapy.

To explore the molecules that synthesized by OSCC cells and stimulate osteoclastic bone resorption, we established two clonal cell lines, HSC3-C13 and HSC3-C17, from the maternal oral cancer cell line, HSC3. The conditioned medium from HSC3-C13 cells showed the highest induction of *Rankl* expression in the mouse stromal cell lines ST2 and UAMS-32 as compared to that in maternal HSC3 cells and HSC3-C17 cells, which showed similar activity. The conditioned medium from HSC3-C13 cells significantly increased the number of osteoclasts in a co-culture with mouse bone marrow cells and UAMS-32 cells. Xenograft tumors generated from these clonal cell lines into the periosteal region of the parietal bone in athymic mice showed that HSC3-C13 cells caused extensive bone destruction and a significant increase in osteoclast numbers as compared to HSC3-C17 cells. Gene expression was compared between HSC3-C13 cells as compared to HSC3-C17 cells by using microarray analysis, which showed that CXCL2 gene was highly expressed in HSC3-C13 cells as compared to HSC3-C17 cells. Immunohistochemical staining revealed the localization of CXCL2 in human OSS. The increase in osteoclast numbers induced by the HSC3-C13-conditioned medium was dose-dependently inhibited by addition of anti-human CXCL2-neutralizing antibody in a co-culture system. Recombinant CXCL2 increased the expression of *Rankl* in UAMS-32 cells. These results indicate that CXCL2 is involved in bone destruction induced by oral cancer. This is the first report showing the role of CXCL2 in cancer-associated bone destruction.



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# **Forefront of osteoimmunology**

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The bone marrow is one of the primary lymphoid organs that harbor the immune cells. Under these microenvironments, bone cells interact not only with other bone cells but also with immune cells including hematopoietic stem cells. Thus, all the cells in the bone marrow are communicating with each other to maintain both skeletal and immune systems <sup>(1,2)</sup>. However, the molecules that mediate the communication among cells in the bone have been poorly identified. We have tried to explore the molecular basis for cellular communication in the bone marrow and found that osteocyte-derived RANKL plays a crucial role in adult osteoclastogenesis <sup>(3)</sup>, osteoclast-derived Sema4D inhibits bone formation <sup>(4)</sup> and osteoblast-derived Sema3A functions as a potent osteoprotective cytokine inhibiting osteoclastogenesis and promoting osteoblastogenesis <sup>(5)</sup>. As semaphorins, major axon guidance molecules, have emerged as bone cell communication factors, we are facing a new stage of bone research including the bone, immune and neural systems. We have long worked on the interaction between T cells and osteoclasts, and recently found the origin of osteoclastogenic Th17 cells to be Foxp3 positive Tregs <sup>(6)</sup>. The recent advances in osteoimmunology field including the conversion of Treg to pathogenic T cells will be discussed.

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# **Regenerative potential of the knee meniscus**

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Osteoarthritis (OA) affects over 200 million people worldwide. Joints most frequently affected by OA are the hands, hips, spine and knees, where breakdown and subsequent loss of articular cartilage results in pain, stiffness and swelling and leads to decreased joint function and loss of joint mobility. The knee joint is particularly susceptible to OA and meniscal injuries are the most common knee injury. Treatment of meniscal injuries has evolved dramatically in the past 30 years in response to an increased understanding of the role performed by the meniscus within the knee joint, and today, surgical procedures are aimed at repairing or replacing damaged menisci, depending on the size of the injury and its location. Unfortunately, damaged meniscal tissue rarely regains the structural integrity and mechanical strength of normal meniscus, and recent data indicate that surgical repair of meniscal tears cannot reliably prevent the progression of degenerative changes and clinical symptoms that presage the development of knee OA. Particularly striking is the lack of options for reversing the progressive debilitation of the knee in young, healthy individuals.

Evidence from recent studies links the signaling pathways directing embryonic development with those that mediate adult tissue regeneration, where they influence the migration, proliferation and differentiation of locally residing tissue-specific stem/progenitor cells. In this way, the specificity of the reparative response generated by a tissue is dependent on the activation of the resident tissue-specific stem/progenitor cell population and not on the signals that affect their behavior. For adult musculoskeletal tissues, resident-specific stem/progenitor cells have been identified and characterized in muscle, tendon and ligament, articular cartilage and bone. As a group, these tissue-specific stem cells possess some of the characteristics of mesenchymal stem cells (MSC) but more importantly, exhibit characteristic tissue-specific identities. Based on the hypothesis that cells necessary for meniscal repair are those that express a characteristic gene signature that is defined during meniscal morphogenesis we combined laser-capture micro-dissection (LCM) of embryonic joint tissues with the production of tissue-specific libraries and comparative gene array analysis to uncover the gene signature of meniscus forming cells and the signaling pathways that regulate expression of these genes. Current efforts are aimed at using information gained from the study of meniscus development in mice to query the reparative potential of cells collected from adult mouse and human meniscus.

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# Combinatorial approach to identify gene regulation of inflammatory signals at RNA level

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Here, we introduce our recent results by next generation sequencing techniques, which revealed series of miRNAs involved in arthritis pathogenesis. To generate miRNA knockout mice in high-through put way, we applied TALEN system to delete miRNA gene in mice genome, which successfully leads us to analyze miRNA functions in vivo. We also show our strategy; cell based comprehensive gene screening to screen new molecules that regulates inflammatory gene expression. Combination of above methods may provide the novel aspect of RNA regulatory system and should promote our understanding of inflammatory diseases pathogenesis.



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# Craniofacial dysmorphogenesis and infantile hemangioma – the antrax toxin receptor connection

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Infantile hemangiomas are the most common tumors of infancy. Typically, they appear within a few days/weeks after birth and grow rapidly during a few months (proliferative phase). After about a year they start to involute (involution phase) and after a period of several months/ years, they are replaced by fibro-fatty tissue. Hemangiomas are more common in females than in males and they occur most frequently in the head and neck region of affected infants. Our studies have demonstrated that the rapid proliferation of infantile hemangiomas is caused by defects in the regulation of vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 1 (VEGFR1) in endothelial cells of the tumor. When normal endothelial cells are stimulated by VEGF or activated by binding to extracellular matrix, expression of the VEGF decoy receptor VEGFR1 is stimulated and VEGFR2-dependent signaling constrained. In contrast, hemangioma endothelial cells in their proliferative phase exhibit constitutive low levels of VEGFR1 expression and high levels of VEGF-dependent VEGFR2 signal transduction. This is a consequence of defects that result in local loss of function of a cell surface integrin-like receptor known as Anthrax toxin receptor 1 (ANTXR1)/Tumor endothelial marker 8 (TEM8) in hemangioma endothelial cells. Mice that are homozygous for Tem8 null alleles have changes in dermal blood vessels that are similar to those seen in hemangioma tumors. In addition, the mice exhibit growth retardation, bone loss and craniofacial defects similar to those seen in patients with the recessive GAPO syndrome. Patients with this syndrome are homozygous for loss-of-function mutations in TEM8 and exhibit growth retardation, alopecia, pseudo-anodontia and optic atrophy, as well as other craniofacial defects, bone loss and hemangioma. TEM8 is therefore a critical regulator of vascular endothelial and osteoblastic functions in addition to controlling the activities of growth plates and synchondroses at the skull base.

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# Cartilage and meniscus regeneration with synovial stem cells

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According to our previous studies, the number of mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs) in synovial fluid increase in knees with anterior cruciate ligament injury (Rheumatology 2008), meniscus injury (Clin Orthop Relat Res 2014), and osteoarthritis (J Orthop Res 2011). The morphology and gene profiles in synovial fluid MSCs were more similar to those in synovial MSCs than in bone marrow MSCs. Principal component analysis of gene profiles for various mesenchymal tissues-derived MSCs and chondrocytes demonstrated that MSCs from intraarticular tissues and chondrocytes were closer to each other than MSCs from extraarticular tissues (J Orthop Res 2008). Synovium may be a reservoir for MSCs to contribute to the intraarticular tissue repair. After intraarticular tissues, such as cartilage, meniscus, and ligament, are injured, MSCs may be mobilized from synovium to synovial fluid, adhere to the injured site, and contribute to the repair. However, the number of MSCs is limited, therefore, the injured tissues cannot be healed in the natural course. Transplantation of enough number of synovial MSCs to the injured tissues may promote intraarticular tissue healing.

MSCs are attractive cell source for cartilage and meniscus regeneration. Our *in vitro* and *in vivo* chondrogenic assay demonstrated that synovial and bone marrow MSCs had a higher chondrogenic ability than adipose and muscle MSCs (Arthritis Rheum 2005, Cell Tissue Res 2007, Cell Tissue Res 2008). Human synovial MSCs expanded more in human serum than bone marrow MSCs (Arthritis Rheum 2008). In rat, rabbit, and pig studies, transplantation of synovial MSCs promoted cartilage and meniscus regeneration (Stem Cells 2007, Stem Cells 2009, Cytotherapy 2012, Osteoarthritis Cartilage 2012, J Bone Joint Surg Am 2012, Biochem Biophys Res Commun 2013).

Current cell therapy for cartilage and meniscus regeneration requires invasive procedures. We have developed a novel implantation procedure with synovial MSCs. Cartilage or meniscus defect is filled with synovial MSC suspension for 10 minutes. According to our *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies, more than 60% cells adhered to the defect, and promoted cartilage and meniscus regeneration (Arthritis Res Ther 2008, J Orthop Res 2013).

We are currently doing clinical trial for cartilage regeneration. All patients have their cartilage defects filled with synovial MSCs arthroscopically. Favorable results are obtained by MRI imaging in many cases, by second look arthroscopies, and by biopsies. Our method has such advantages that no periosteal coverage or scaffold were required and that transplantation is possible arthroscopically. We are also trying to regenerate osteoarthritis of the knee with osteotomy or meniscus centralization (Arthrosc Tech 2012) by using synovial MSCs. We are going to start another clinical trial for meniscus treatment with synovial MSCs.

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# Fracture repair and beta-catenin in aging and disease : implications for an approach to therapy

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The pace of fracture repair slows with aging, but the critical mediators in this process are now known. Here we determined the relative contribution of mesenchymal progenitor cell age, hematopoietic cell age, and circulating factors on in vivo bone regeneration and in vitro osteoblast differentiation. Exposure to youthful circulation by heterochronic parabiosis reversed the slowed fracture repair characteristic of aging in mice. This rejuvenation resulted in increased mineralization and osteoblastic activity of old mesenchymal progenitor cells. To determine if circulating cells played a role in this rejuvenation, we examined the ability of old and young bone marrow cells in which we could delete cells with osteogenic potential to enhance the osteogenic capacity of old bone marrow cells. Conditioned media from an adherent population of young cells rejuvenated the osteogeneic capacity of old cells. Similarly, engraftment of young hematopoietic cells into old animals rescued fracture repair and osteogenic potential in a mechanism that did not require osteoblasts from the donor animal.  $\beta$ -catenin signaling, a pathway important in bone regeneration and osteoblast differentiation, was shown to be modulated during rejuvenation. Reduction of  $\beta$ -catenin signaling during early fracture repair improved bone regeneration in old mice. These data demonstrate that the circulatory system carries within it a "youth factor" that is able to rejuvenate bone repair and osteoblast differentiation through modulation of  $\beta$ -catenin. This data raises the possibility that agents that modulate  $\beta$ -catenin can improve the quality of bone repair in the aging population.

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# Osteoclast as MDSC (myeloid-derived suppressor cell) and its role in ONJ and tumor bone metastasis

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Current therapeutic strategies of catabolic bone diseases such as osteoporosis and metastatic tumors in bone target osteoclasts in order to reduce or normalize the elevated bone resorption activity. Both bisphosphonates and humanized monoclonal antibody against RANKL are such anti-resorptive agents achieving this therapeutic goal albeit through different pharmacokinetics.

Osteonecrosis of the jaw (ONJ) in maxilla and mandible has emerged, however, as a rare but severe side effect reported between 0.5% to 18% among those patients who were treated with anti-resoptive agents. While clinical presentations vary significantly, ONJ symptoms commonly demonstrate the lack of resolution in chronic inflammation of oral mucosa. Oral mucosa is composed of stratified epithelium and thin connective tissue, and considered one of the most protective tissue barriers from environmental stresses, chemical damage and bacterial infection. Barrier tissues are known to contain T cells expressing a canonical gammadelta T cell receptor. Immunosurveillance and prompt response to injury by the barrier tissue are thought to involve gammadelta T cells.

Our recent studies using Tcrd-H2BEGFP mice demonstrated the prolonged retention of gammadelta T cells in gingival/palatal tissue after maxillary molar extraction when mice were injected with zoledronate (ZOL). Furthermore, the development of ONJ-like lesion was significantly modulated in ZOL-treated Tcrd-/- mice. Thus, we postulate that the close approximation between jawbone and oral barrier immunity may, in part, contribute to the pathogenesis of ONJ.

It was noted that animal models of ONJ-like lesion revealed an unusual co-localization of inflammatory cells with ZOL-affected osteoclasts. Osteoclasts are differentiated from the monocytic lineage of myeloid immune cells with the presence of M-CSF and RANKL. Once differentiated, osteoclasts have been considered to function as bone cells. However, the unique and consistent observation on the distinct association between ZOL-affected osteoclasts and lymphocytes as well as neutrophils may suggest a yet uncovered function of osteoclasts as immune cells.

Our preliminary characterization of osteoclasts derived from human CD14+ monocytes suggested the secretion of a set of cytokines. Typically, osteoclastic cytokines exhibited a similar profile of myeloid-derived suppressor cells (MDSC). MDSC not only suppresses lymphocytes contributing to the resolution of inflammation; but further supports tissue repair by inducing vascular formation and secreting growth factors. This presentation will highlight a new concept of osteoclast activities as an immune cells, in particular, with MDSC-like characteristics. Contributions of osteoclasts to physiological bone remodeling and coupling with osteoblasts, as well as pathological contributions to ONJ and metastatic tumors in bone marrow will be discussed.

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