



St Jude Wellness Center Presents:

The Science of Strong Bones

Megan Wroe, Wellness Manager & Registered Dietitian

Let's Chat About Bones

When you hear 'bone health' what comes to mind?

When thinking of your bones, have you ever thought of your pelvis?

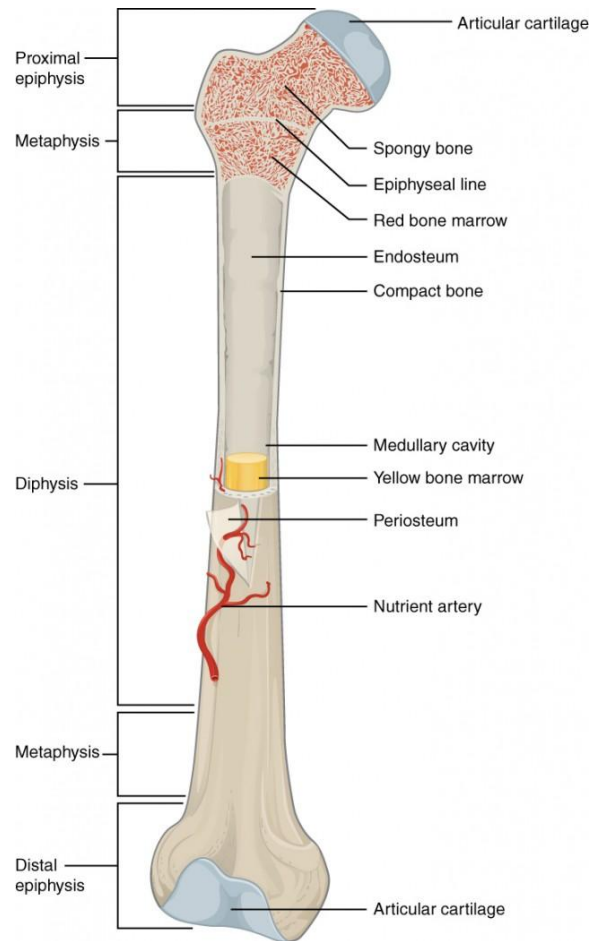
Your immune system?

Your independence?

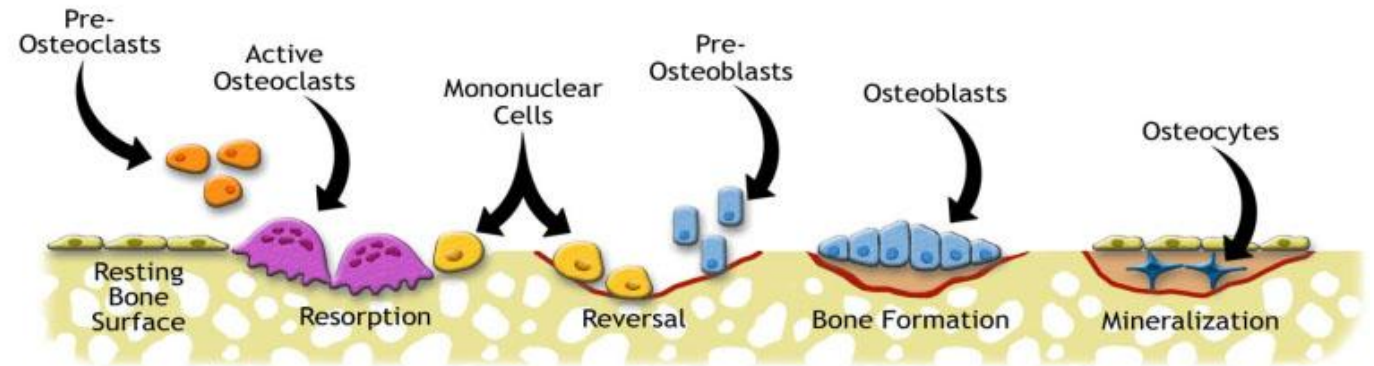
Today is all about what YOU can do to keep your bones, and everything that they interact with, strong and stable.



Your Bones



Bone Remodeling Cycle



Bones as a Construction Site



Supplies (minerals, proteins) move in and out. If another site elsewhere it low, supplies are taken from the bone site to help out.



Strong structures need less maintenance so the flow of supplies is strong.



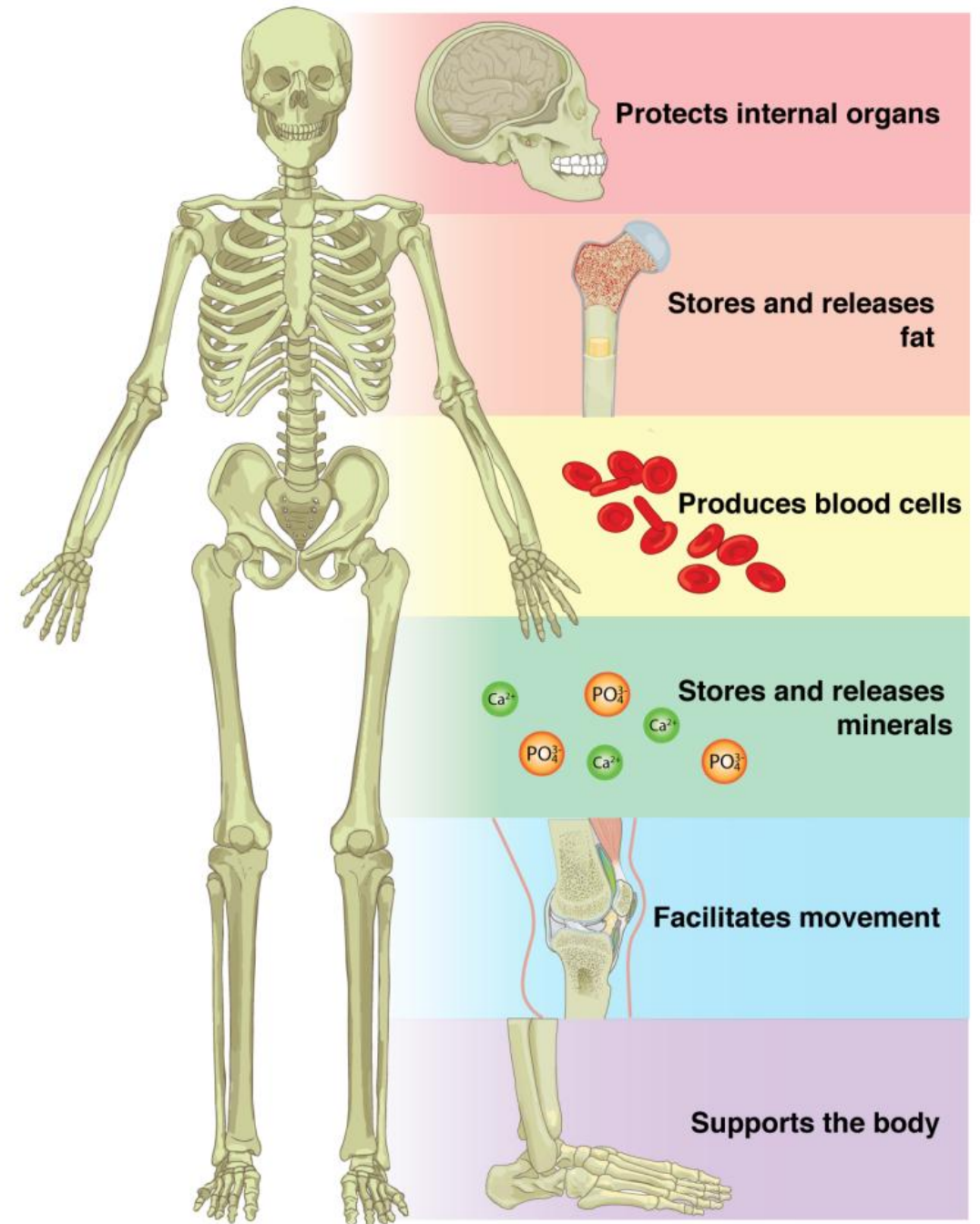
There is a demo crew (osteoclasts) and a rebuild crew (osteoblasts). Constantly rebuilding from materials on site based on messages from management team (hormones).



Meshing & scaffolding gets mudded together and covered with plaster for a strong structure.

Bones are More Than Structure

- ✓ Structure
- ✓ Protection
- ✓ Back up/excess store of minerals to protect other organs
- ✓ Supports muscle structurally but also triggers muscle protein synthesis hormonally
- ✓ Secretes immune factors & blood cells from marrow
- ✓ Osteocalcin crosses BBB to enhance neurotransmitters
- ✓ Hormone & Growth Factor release:
 - ✓ Insulin secretion & sensitivity
 - ✓ Metabolic rate
 - ✓ Brain development
 - ✓ Testosterone production
 - ✓ Cytokines



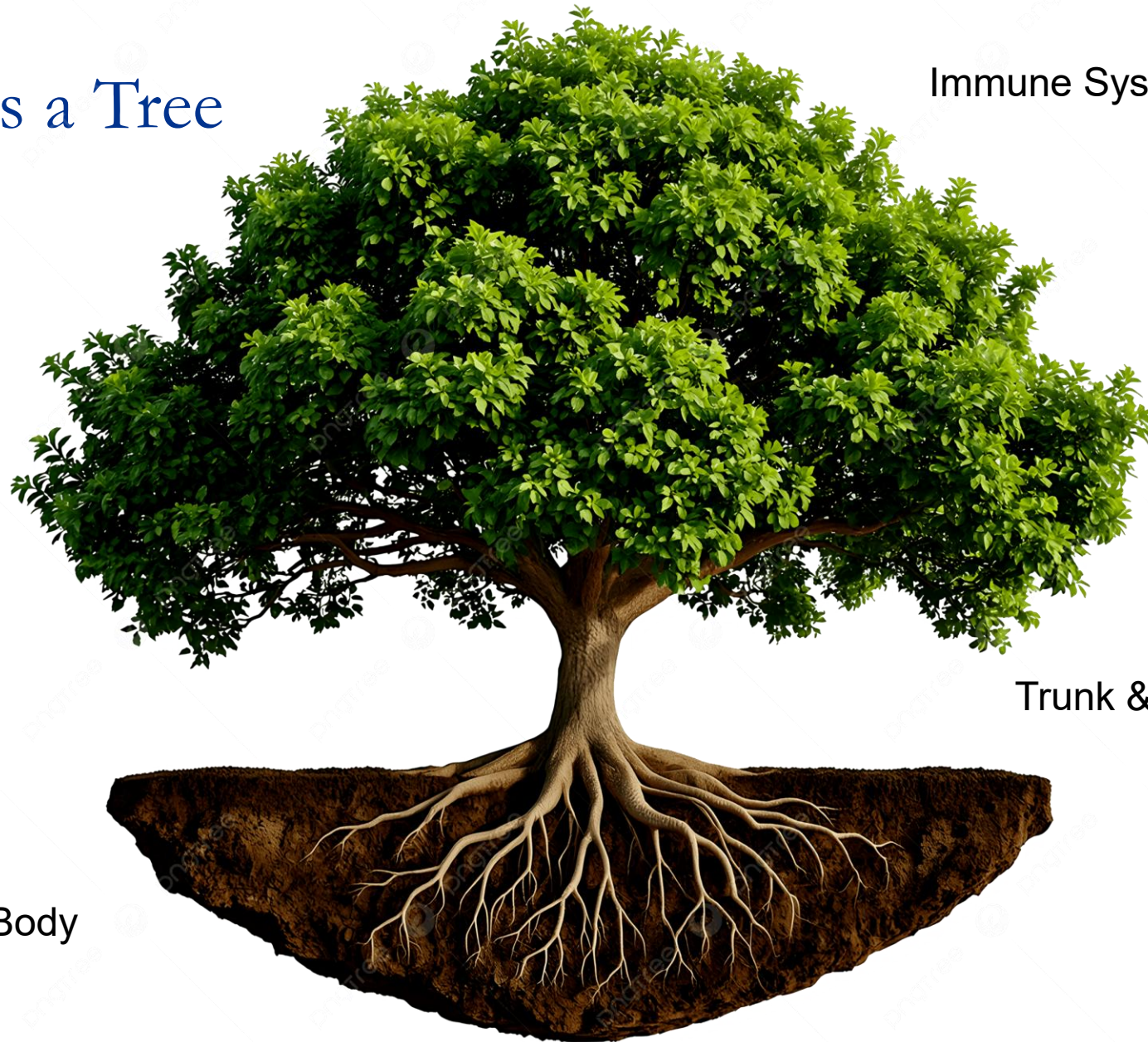
Your Bones as a Tree

Immune System = Leaves

Muscle = Branches

Trunk & Roots = Bones

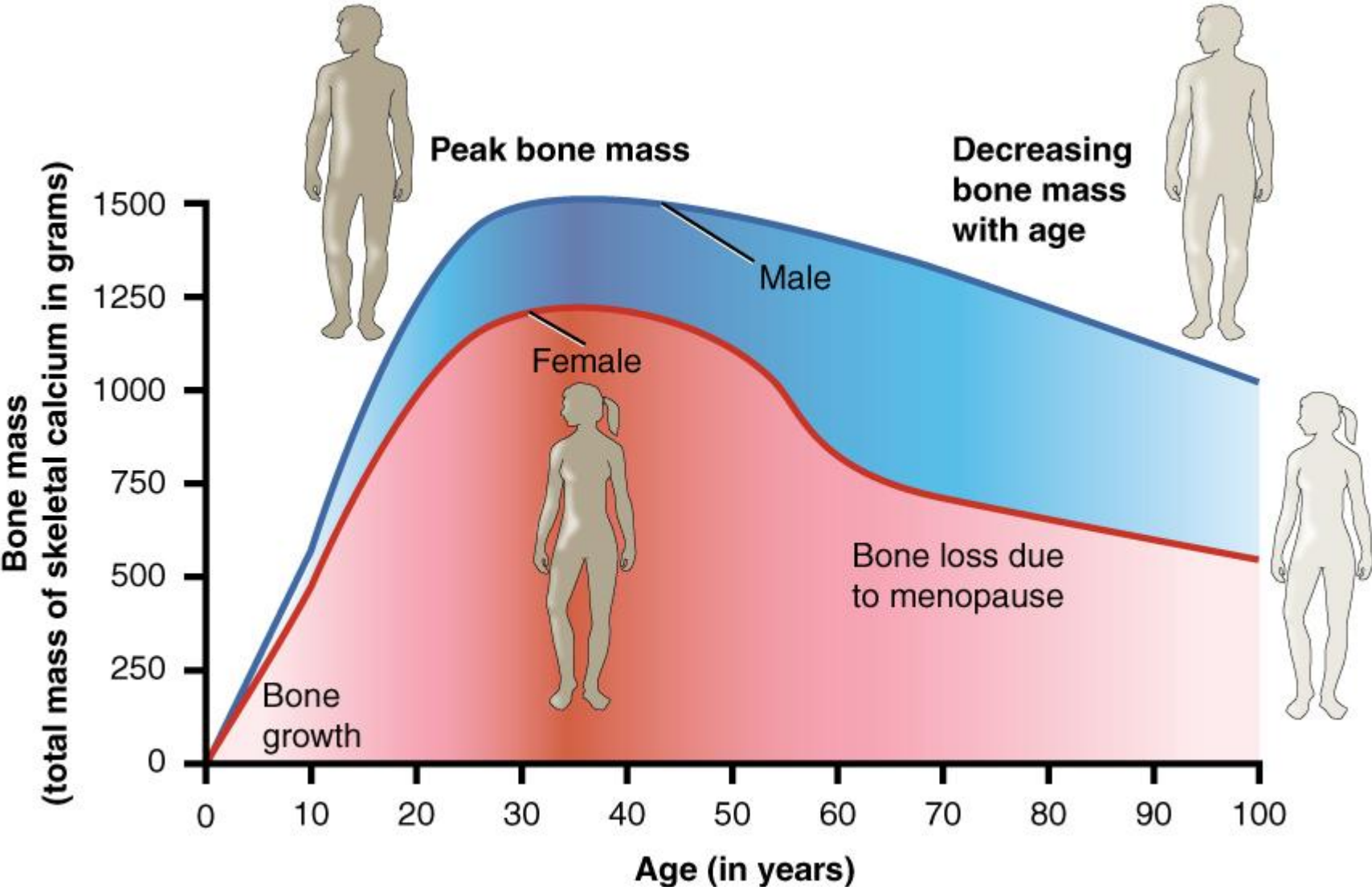
Soil = Rest of the Body



Risk Profiles

- ✓ Genes make up 50-85% of variance in bone mineral density (BMD).
- ✓ Higher risk groups:
 - ✓ Smokers
 - ✓ Overweight or obesity
 - ✓ Significantly underweight, especially under 30 years old
 - ✓ Physically inactive
 - ✓ Other comorbidities, especially IBD, RA, liver/kidney disease
 - ✓ Aging over 30 years old
 - ✓ Women
 - ✓ Women in late perimenopause/early menopause
- ✓ Baseline bone mineral density is not the only factor in how strong and functional our bones are AND baseline BMD can be impacted by lifestyle factors!

Bone Health is a Lifetime Priority



Lifestyle Pillars of Bone Health

Risky Substances

- ✓ Don't smoke
- ✓ Minimize alcohol
- ✓ Minimize inactivity

=Removes direct toxic effect on osteoblasts & hormones

Fitness

- Strength
- Balance
- Mobility & Core/Pelvis

=Stimulates mineralization process & improves metabolism & thyroid

Nutrition

- ✓ Protein
- ✓ Vitamins & Minerals

=Substrates for mineralization & hormones, prevents deficiencies that pull from bone stores, supports fitness

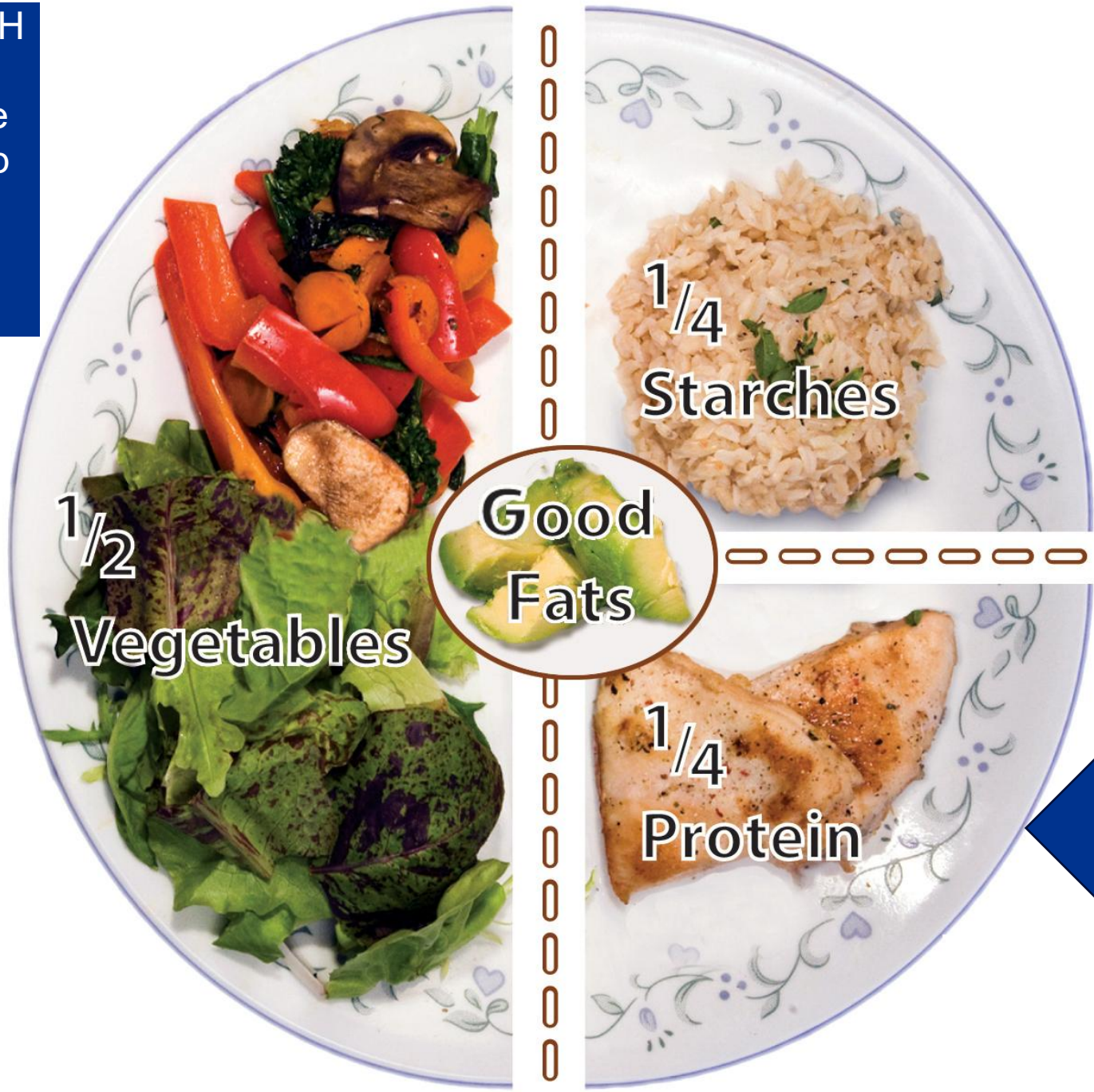


Regulators of Bone System (the supplies & managers)

- Parathyroid hormone
- Vitamin D
- Calcitonin
- Sex hormones
- Growth hormone
- Cytokines
- Glucocorticoids



Mediterranean and DASH diets associated with higher BMD. Adherence showed 5% reduced hip fracture risk with every one-unit increase in adherence score.



Protein

WHY:

Amino acids building blocks for cells, skin, muscles, bones. They create the fibers (aka scaffolding) of the bones that Ca & Phos.

HOW MUCH: 1.2-1.6g/kg/day (10-15g/snack, 20-30g/meal)

- 20-30g = size of your hand
- Spread throughout the day

SOURCES:

- Beef, Bison, Lamb, Pork
- Chicken, Turkey, Eggs
- Fish, Shellfish
- Milk, Yogurt, Cottage Cheese, Kefir, Some Cheeses
- Tofu, Soy Milk
- Protein Milk/Dairy Alternatives
- Beans, Lentils
- Protein Powder, Hemp Seed, Seeds, Nuts/Nut Butters



Ruminant Dairy Protein: Highest to Lowest



18-20g/serving

7-8g/serving

Soy Milk/Yogurt Protein

Protein in Dairy Alternatives per Serving:

- Almond: 1-2g
- Oat: 3-4g
- Coconut: < 1g
- Pea: 4-8g
- Hemp: 2-4g
- Flax: 2-3g
- Macadamia: 1g
- Cashew: < 1g

Low/No Lactose Options

- A2 Milk
- Lactaid
- Sheep/Goat



Milk & “Milk” Assessments

Nutrition Facts	
About 4 servings per container	
Serving size	1 Cup (240mL)
Amount per serving	
Calories	80
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 3.5g	4%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 220mg	10%
Total Carbohydrate 4g	1%
Dietary Fiber 1g	4%
Total Sugars 0g	
Includes 0g Added Sugars	0%
Protein 10g	13%
Vitamin D 2.5mcg	15%
Calcium 250mg	20%
Iron 2mg	10%
Potassium 140mg	2%
Phosphorus 90mg	8%

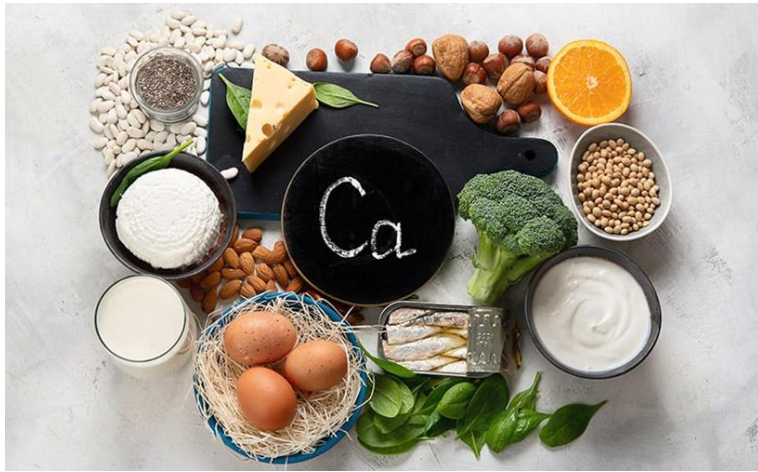
* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.

Ingredients:  ORGANIC ALMONDMILK (FILTERED WATER, ORGANIC ALMONDS), ORGANIC PEA PROTEIN, ORGANIC NATURAL FLAVORS, CONTAINS 1% OR LESS OF THE FOLLOWING: GELLAN GUM, TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE, ORGANIC SUNFLOWER LECITHIN, TRIPOTASSIUM CITRATE, SEA SALT, ORGANIC LOCUST BEAN GUM, NATURAL FLAVOR, ERGOCALCIFEROL (VITAMIN D2).

CONTAINS: ALMONDS

- ✓ 10g+ protein per serving
- ✓ 15% DV or more of both vitamin D and calcium
- ✓ Unsweetened
- ✓ Ideally minimal additives/preservatives



1,000-1,200mg/day
Divided doses, Combined with D



600+ IU/day D3 (800+ if over 60)
Combined with Ca



Magnesium: 300-500mg/d
*citrate is best absorbed, but caution



Vitamin K: 90-120 mcg/d
*K2 is from fermented foods & egg yolk



Fermented Foods:
2TbIs-1/2cup per day



Minimize Added Sugar: 6-9tsp/d
Minimize alcohol: max 1/d
Minimize colas

Fitness

Strength Training

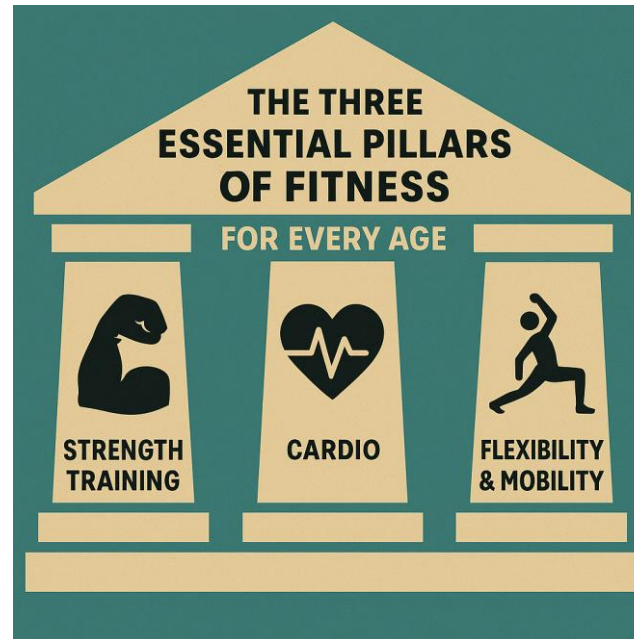
- ✓ Improves bone and muscle together.
- ✓ Strength training alone increases BMD by 2-10% depending on area of the body.
- ✓ Heavier lifting at high velocity = greater impact
- ✓ Pelvis strengthening specifically for core & balance
- ✓ **Goal: 3+ days per week**

High Impact Cardio

- ✓ Stimulates bone remodeling
- ✓ 150min/week cardio
- ✓ **Goal: 3 days per week of moderate to high impact in short bouts**
 - ✓ Vibration plates are effective

Balance & Mobility

- ✓ Is trainable
- ✓ Is key with weakened bones to prevent falls
- ✓ Spinal extension for mobility
- ✓ Reduces falls by 23% and fall-related fractures by 38-40%
- ✓ **Goal: Daily bouts**



LIFTMOR

- Population: women over 50 WITH osteopenia or osteoporosis
- Twice weekly, 30min sessions of heavy strength training
- 5 sets of 5 repetitions at high weight (>85% max)
- Deadlifts, overhead press, back squat, jumping chin ups
- Outcomes: 2.9% increase in BMD vs. 1.2% in controls with other exercise modalities
- 92% compliance and safety

PubMed® Advanced

Save Email Ser

Randomized Controlled Trial > J Bone Miner Res. 2018 Feb;33(2):211-220.

doi: 10.1002/jbmr.3284. Epub 2017 Oct 4.

High-Intensity Resistance and Impact Training Improves Bone Mineral Density and Physical Function in Postmenopausal Women With Osteopenia and Osteoporosis: The LIFTMOR Randomized Controlled Trial

Steven L Watson^{1 2}, Benjamin K Weeks^{1 2}, Lisa J Weis³, Amy T Harding^{1 2}, Sean A Horan^{1 2}, Belinda R Beck^{1 2 3}

Affiliations + expand

PMID: 28975661 DOI: [10.1002/jbmr.3284](https://doi.org/10.1002/jbmr.3284)

Free article

Exercise Rx for Bone Risk

- **Combination of** resistance training with higher impact exercise provides greatest benefit for BMD and osteo risk
 - BMD improvements translate to 10-11% reduction in 20-year fracture risk
- **St. Jude Bone Health Program**
 1. Physician consult with non-surgical orthopedist
 2. Physical therapy to safety lift heavy and powerfully (6-8 visits)
 3. Wellness Center Osteo Program:
 1. Pre & post evals
 2. Twice weekly fitness based on LIFTMOR & Medical Fitness
 3. Access to gym & functional fitness
 4. Discounts on private services: dietitian, massage therapy, personal training

Other Protective Strategies

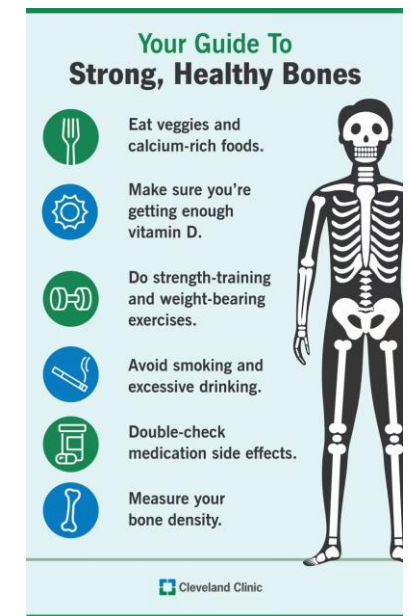
- DEXA scan
- Balance screening
- Home safety assessment
- Vision screening
- Discuss hormone therapy
- Sunlight exposure



Your Bone Program

Exercise	Nutrition	Preventive Action	Outcomes After 12-16 Weeks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resistance Training 3x/week High Intensity Cardio 3x/wk Balance & Posture Daily 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mediterranean Protein Produce Ca, D, Mag, K Minimize alcohol & sugar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quit smoking DEXA & balance screening Vision assessment Home safety assessment Sunlight daily 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2-10% improved BMD 10-11% lower 20-year fracture risk

- Exercise, nutrition & preventive actions combined all show significantly better BMD & fracture outcomes than any intervention alone
- Any intervention combined with pharmacotherapy show significantly better BMD and fracture outcomes than pharmacotherapy alone



How We Can Help:

- *Gait & Balance Assessments in May
- *Osteo program
- *Comprehensive Nutrient Analysis appointments
- *Vibration plate, treadmills, yoga, tai chi...
- *Brain Gym: Program & Private Sessions



St. Jude Wellness Center

2767 E. Imperial, Brea

stjudewellnesscenter.org

stjudewellness@stjoe.org

714-578-8770