

Skeletal HW #4

1. A woman in her 80's is brought to the clinic with a fractured hip. Xrays show compression fractures in her lower vertebral column and extremely low bone density in her vertebrae, hip bones and femurs. What are the condition, cause and treatment? EXTRA CREDIT for related pix.
2. Compare the various types of spinal curvatures. You've probably heard of scoliosis, but what about kyphosis or lordosis? EXTRA CREDIT for pix.
3. What is a fracture? Describe / draw / find a picture for 10 different types. (Yes that's more than covered in class!)
4. Bone Xrays are sometimes used to determine if a person has reached his or her final height. What are the doctors looking for in the xrays.