

Table S1. Mineralisation levels of endoskeletal elements.

Endoskeletal element	Diets	N° of fish	Mineralisation level (Number of fish, %)			Pairwise p-values		
			Low	Intermediate	High	LP	RP	HP
Vertebral body endplates	one month treatment	LP	51	67%	25%	8%	p<0.001	p<0.001
		RP	21	19%	67%	14%	p<0.001	p<0.05
		HP	31	19%	35%	45%	p<0.001	p<0.05
	two months treatment	LP	41	73%	27%	0%	p<0.001	p<0.001
		RP	48	23%	54%	23%	p<0.001	p<0.001
		HP	32	3%	31%	66%	p<0.001	p<0.001
Neural and haemal arches	one month treatment	LP	51	25%	33%	41%	p<0.01	p<0.01
		RP	21	0%	24%	76%	p<0.01	
		HP	29	3%	24%	72%	p<0.01	
	two months treatment	LP	41	17%	39%	44%	p<0.001	p<0.001
		RP	48	0%	13%	88%	p<0.001	
		HP	32	0%	6%	94%	p<0.001	
Dorsal fin pterygiophores	one month treatment	LP	51	38%	31%	29%		p<0.01
		RP	21	14%	43%	43%		
		HP	29	14%	21%	66%	p<0.01	
	two months treatment	LP	41	51%	32%	17%	p<0.001	p<0.001
		RP	48	8%	42%	50%	p<0.001	
		HP	32	9%	19%	72%	p<0.001	
Anal fin pterygiophores	one month treatment	LP	51	29%	37%	33%		p<0.01
		RP	21	14%	38%	48%		
		HP	29	3%	31%	66%	p<0.01	
	two months treatment	LP	41	44%	34%	22%	p<0.001	p<0.001
		RP	48	6%	38%	56%	p<0.001	
		HP	32	9%	19%	72%	p<0.001	

Statistical significance was determined by Chi-squared test or the Fisher's exact test.

Table S2. Mineralisation levels of dermal fin rays.

Dermal skeletal element	Diets	N° of fish	Mineralisation level (Number of fish, %)			Pairwise p-values		
			Low	Intermediate	High	LP	RP	HP
Dorsal fin rays	one month treatment	LP	51	24%	41%	35%		p<0.05
		RP	21	10%	43%	48%		
		HP	31	7%	28%	66%	p<0.05	
	two months treatment	LP	41	46%	41%	12%		p<0.001
		RP	48	4%	27%	69%	p<0.001	
		HP	32	9%	19%	72%	p<0.001	
Anal fin rays	one month treatment	LP	51	27%	31%	41%		p<0.05
		RP	21	10%	29%	62%		
		HP	29	7%	28%	66%	p<0.05	
	two months treatment	LP	41	49%	34%	17%		p<0.001
		RP	48	4%	25%	71%	p<0.001	
		HP	32	9%	19%	72%	p<0.001	
Caudal fin rays	one month treatment	LP	51	22%	43%	35%		p<0.01
		RP	21	10%	14%	76%	p<0.01	
		HP	29	7%	24%	69%	p=0.01	
	two months treatment	LP	41	34%	41%	24%		p<0.001
		RP	48	0%	19%	81%	p<0.001	
		HP	32	3%	25%	72%	p<0.001	

Statistical significance was determined by Chi-squared test or the Fisher's exact test.

Table S3. Synchrotron X-ray tomographic microscopy data analysis.

Diets	Vertebral body measures (µm)		Arches-spine length (µm)		Bone volume (µm ³)		
	Length	Height	Neural arch-spine	Haemal arch-spine	Non- mineralised	Mineralised	Total
LP	261.26	192.88	461.18	437.11	18.3×10^5	10.1×10^5	28.4×10^5
RP	266.82	191.46	568.44	521.84	2.2×10^5	18.7×10^5	20.9×10^5
HP	259.41	171.97	723.57	615.64	0	13.8×10^5	13.8×10^5

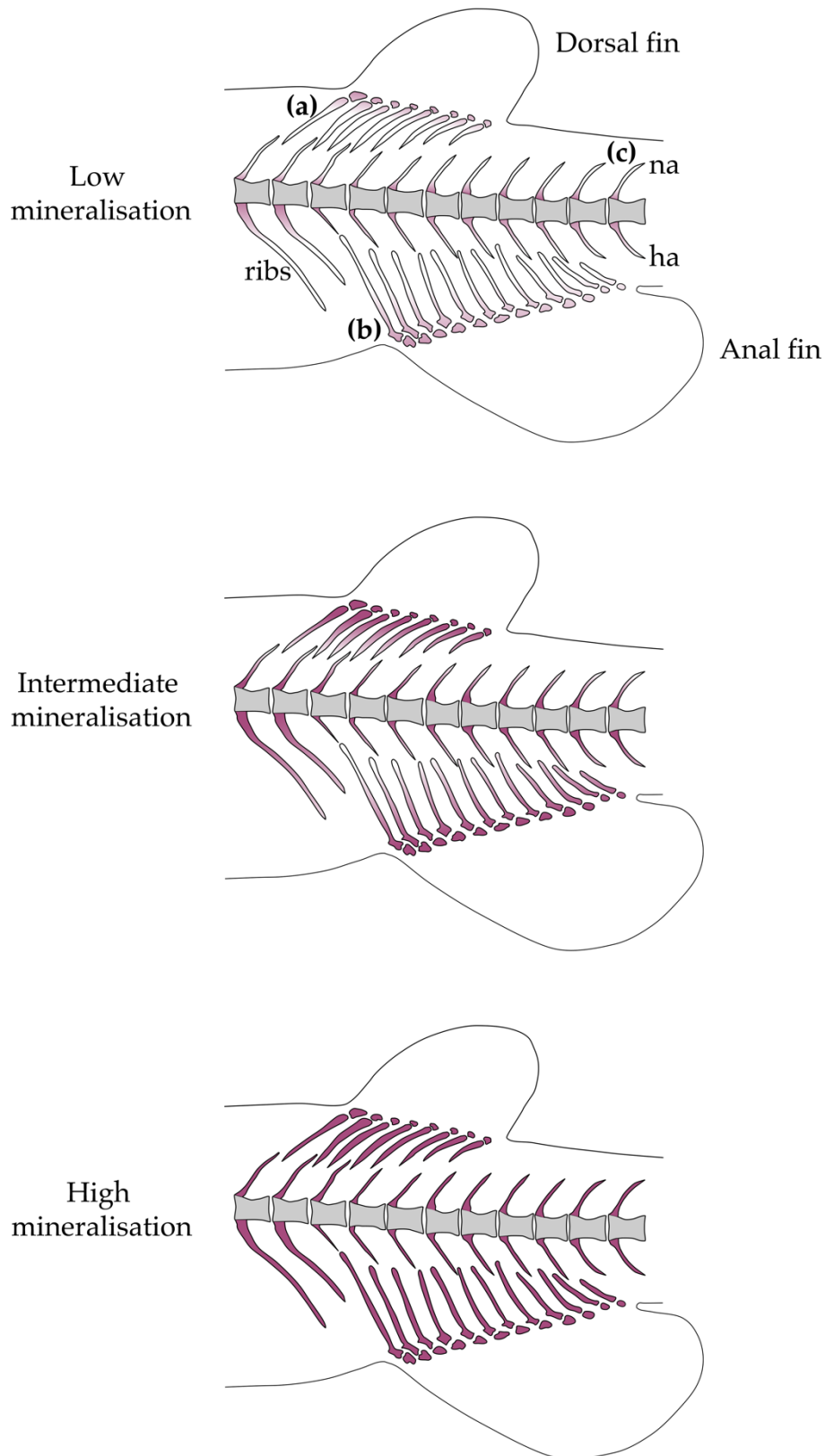


Figure S1. Schematic representation of arches and pterygiophores mineralisation levels. Mineralisation levels of dorsal (a) and anal (b) pterygiophores and neural (na) and haemal (ha) arches (c) were qualitatively evaluated as low, intermediate or high depending on Alizarin red S distribution in bone. Red: Alizarin red S staining; grey: vertebral centra.