



Osteoimmunology in Rheumatic Diseases

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In recent decades, osteoimmunology has emerged as an intriguing field of clinical and experimental research. Bones and the immune system are closely related and interact extensively, with a constant interchange and a mutual influence between the bone cells and immune cells that involves an extremely wide variety of cytokines, regulating molecules, and growth and cell differentiation factors.

This Special Issue of *IJMS* focuses on the advances in the field of osteoimmunology in relation to bone abnormalities observed in inflammatory and in degenerative chronic rheumatic diseases, particularly concerning the pathogenesis of systemic bone loss and local bone changes, and the possible therapeutic implications of better understanding the molecular mechanisms and the regulatory processes underlying the relationship between bone and immune system.





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