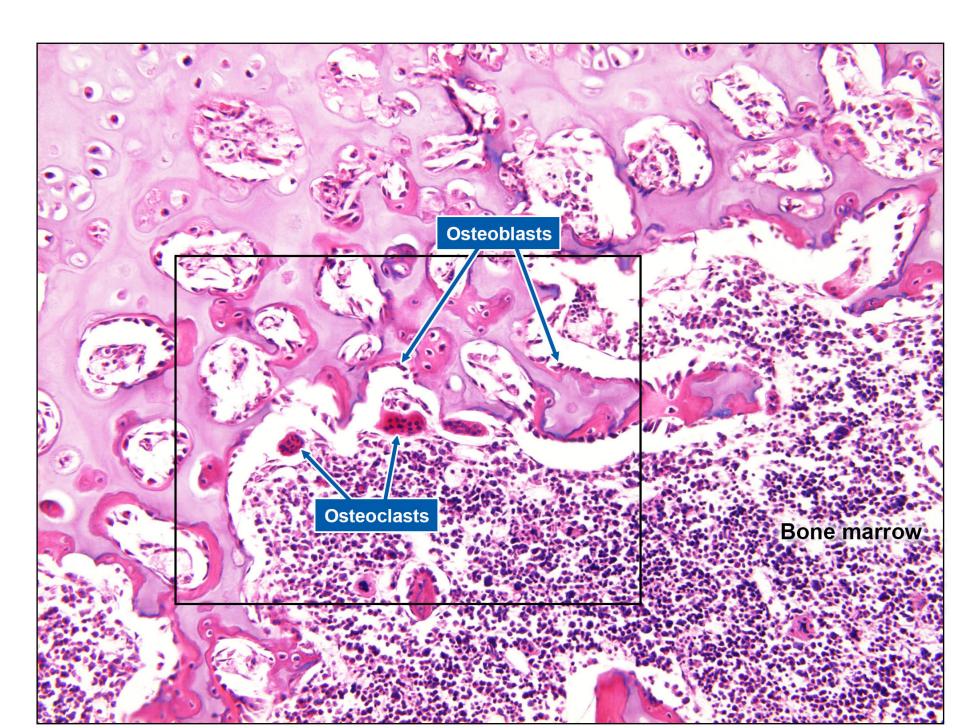
## SPINAL COLUMN

## Musculoskeletal System



Low magnification



High magnification

- 1. The cross section of the spinal column depicts the osteoblasts and osteoclasts. These cells are responsible for bone homeostasis.
- 2. Osteoblasts are cells responsible for synthesizing the bone matrix coordinating skeleton mineralization.
- 3. They synthesize the osteoid proteins and help deposit it.
- 4. Osteoid undergoes calcification, trapping the osteoblasts which eventually become osteocytes.
- 5. Osteoclasts are large multinucleated cells. They are large dome shaped cells.
- 6. They dissolve and absorb bone.