

## Supplemental Methods

### Generation of *Osx1-Cre*, *FoxO3<sup>fl/fl</sup>* mice

To delete *FoxO3* from *Osx1*-expressing cells, *Osx1-Cre* transgenic mice (mixed background crossed into C57BL/6 for more than 9 generations) were crossed with *FoxO3<sup>fl/fl</sup>* mice (FVBn), a gift from Ronald DePinho (University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas) (1), to generate mice that were heterozygous for floxed *FoxO3* allele with and without the *Osx1-Cre* transgene. These mice were intercrossed to generate the experimental wild-type, *Osx1-Cre*, *FoxO3<sup>fl/fl</sup>* and *FoxO3<sup>fl/fl</sup>;Osx1-Cre* mice.

### Micro-CT

Micro-CT analysis was done after the bones were dissected, cleaned, fixed in 10% Millonig's formalin and transferred to 100% ethanol, loaded into 10 mm diameter scanning tubes and imaged ( $\mu$ CT40, Scanco Medical) and the vertebral and femoral cancellous bone was analyzed as previously described (2). At medium resolution (nominal isotropic voxel size = 12  $\mu$ m), 550 slices were acquired and 400 were used for analysis. Scans were integrated into 3-D voxel images (1024 x 1024 pixel matrices for each individual planar stack). A Gaussian filter (sigma = 0.8, support = 1) was applied to all analyzed scans. Key parameters were x-ray tube potential = 55 kVp, x-ray intensity = 145  $\mu$ A, integration time = 200 ms, and threshold = 200 mg/cm<sup>3</sup>. Image processing language scripts including the "cl\_image" command were used to obtain the femoral endocortical and periosteal circumference. Micro-CT measurements were expressed in 3-D nomenclature. After a 1-hour warm-up period, calibration and quality control was done weekly using five density standards and spatial resolution was verified monthly using a tungsten wire rod. Beam-hardening correction was based on the calibration records. Corrections were made for 200 mg/cm<sup>3</sup> hydroxyapatite for all energies. Over the past 3 years, the coefficient of variation for the fifth density standard (mean five) was 0.97% ( $787 \pm 7.6$  SD mg HA/cm<sup>3</sup>) and for rod volume was 2.18% ( $0.0642 \pm 0.0014$  SD cm<sup>3</sup>).

### Quantitative RT-PCR

Taqman quantitative PCR was performed to determine mRNA levels using the primers Mm00490672\_m1 (*FoxO1*); Mm00490673\_m1 (*FoxO3*); Mm00840140\_g1 (*FoxO4*);

Mm00432359\_m1 (Cnd1); Mm00475831\_m1 (ALP); Mm00501578\_m1 (Runx2); Mm00801666\_g1 (Col1a1); Mm00435452\_m1 (OPG); Mm00470479\_m1 (Sost); Mm00439105\_m1 (Cnx43); Mm01210646\_m1(Mmp16); Mm00487160\_m1 (Col6a1); Mm00440945\_m (Ppar $\gamma$ 2); Mm01350394\_m1 ( $\beta$ -catenin) and Mm00475528\_m1 (ribosomal protein S2) manufactured by the TaqMan<sup>®</sup> Gene Expression Assays service (Applied Biosystems). Osterix, osteocalcin FABP4 and DKK1 levels were determined using custom made Taqman Assay by Design primer sets 5'ATCTGACTTTGCTCCCCTTAACC3' and 5'GGGCCCTGGTTGCAAGA3'; 5'GCTGCGCTCTGTCTCTCTGA3' and 5'TGCTTGGACATGAAGGCTTTG3'; 5'GCGTGGAATTCGATGAAATCA3' and 5'GGGCCCCGCCATCTAG3'; 5' GGGCTGTGTTGTGCAAGACA3' and 5'GGTGCACACCTGACCTTCTTTAA3', respectively.

### Supplemental References

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## Supplemental Table 1

Effects of FoxO deletion in Osx1-Cre expressing cells in growing mice. Micro-CT measurements in the vertebrae and femurs at four (n=8/group) and seven weeks of age (n=9-11/group). BV/TV, bone volume per tissue volume; Tb, trabecular. Values represent mean s.d., \*p<0.05 versus respective FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup> by Student's t-test.

		<u>4 weeks</u>				<u>7 weeks</u>			
		FoxO1,3,4 <sup>ff</sup>		FoxO1,3,4 <sup>ff</sup> ; Osx1-Cre		FoxO1,3,4 <sup>ff</sup> ; Osx1-Cre			
Vertebra	BV/TV (%)	27.0 ± 4.5		29.7 ± 2.7		30.8 ± 3.5		35.1 ± 6.2	
	Connectivity (/mm <sup>3</sup> )	306.0 ± 49.8		304.9 ± 40.2		159.0 ± 15.6		173.0 ± 25.6	
	Tb. Number (/mm)	5.4 ± 0.82		5.0 ± 0.23		4.4 ± 0.34		4.6 ± 0.31	
	Tb. Thickness (mm)	0.05 ± 0.010		0.05 ± 0.002		0.07 ± 0.005		0.07 ± 0.008	
	Tb. Spacing (mm)	0.18 ± 0.023		0.20 ± 0.007		0.23 ± 0.019		0.22 ± 0.018	
Femur	BV/TV (%)	23.97	6.8	45.43	7.1*	23.85 ± 5.6		36.78 ± 8.8*	
	Connectivity (/mm <sup>3</sup> )	247.4	89.6	322.2	36.5	180.9 ± 40.1		248.1 ± 36.5*	
	Tb. Number (/mm)	4.9	1.18	7.8	0.82*	4.9 ± 0.64		6.5 ± 0.88*	
	Tb. Thickness (mm)	0.06	0.002	0.07	0.006*	0.07 ± 0.005		0.08 ± 0.011*	
	Tb. Spacing (mm)	0.22	0.072	0.12	0.021*	0.21 ± 0.031		0.15 ± 0.024*	
	Cortical Thickness (mm)	0.18 ± 0.02		0.19 0.01		0.21 ± 0.012		0.23 ± 0.013*	

## Supplemental Table 2

Changes in antioxidant gene expression resulting from FoxO deletion in *Osx1*-GFP calvaria cells by microarray

Gene symbol	Gene name	Average Intensity		Ratio (FoxO1,3,4 <sup>fl/fl</sup> ; Osx1-Cre/ Osx1-Cre)
		Osx1-Cre	FoxO1,3,4 <sup>fl/fl</sup> ; Osx1-Cre	
<b>CAT</b>	Catalase	355.92	284.71	0.80
<b>Gsta4</b>	Glutathione-S-transferase alpha 4	171.04	762.35	4.46*
<b>SOD1</b>	Superoxide dismutase 1	3665.78	2930.62	0.80
<b>SOD2</b>	Superoxide dismutase 2	2319.08	1653.88	0.71
<b>SOD3</b>	Superoxide dismutase 3	298.86	240.97	0.81
<b>PRDX1</b>	Peroxiredoxin 1	10932.28	8827.29	0.81
<b>PRDX2</b>	Peroxiredoxin 2	7928.59	7709.44	0.97
<b>PRDX3</b>	Peroxiredoxin 3	897.78	653.21	0.73
<b>PRDX4</b>	Peroxiredoxin 4	4395.18	3889.81	0.89
<b>PRDX5</b>	Peroxiredoxin 5	3894.06	2401.34	0.62
<b>PRDX6</b>	Peroxiredoxin 6	92.18	83.25	0.90
<b>SESN1</b>	Sestrin1	167.67	214.26	0.78
<b>SESN2</b>	Sestrin 2	119.30	122.33	0.98
<b>SESN3</b>	Sestrin 3	66.54	85.55	0.78

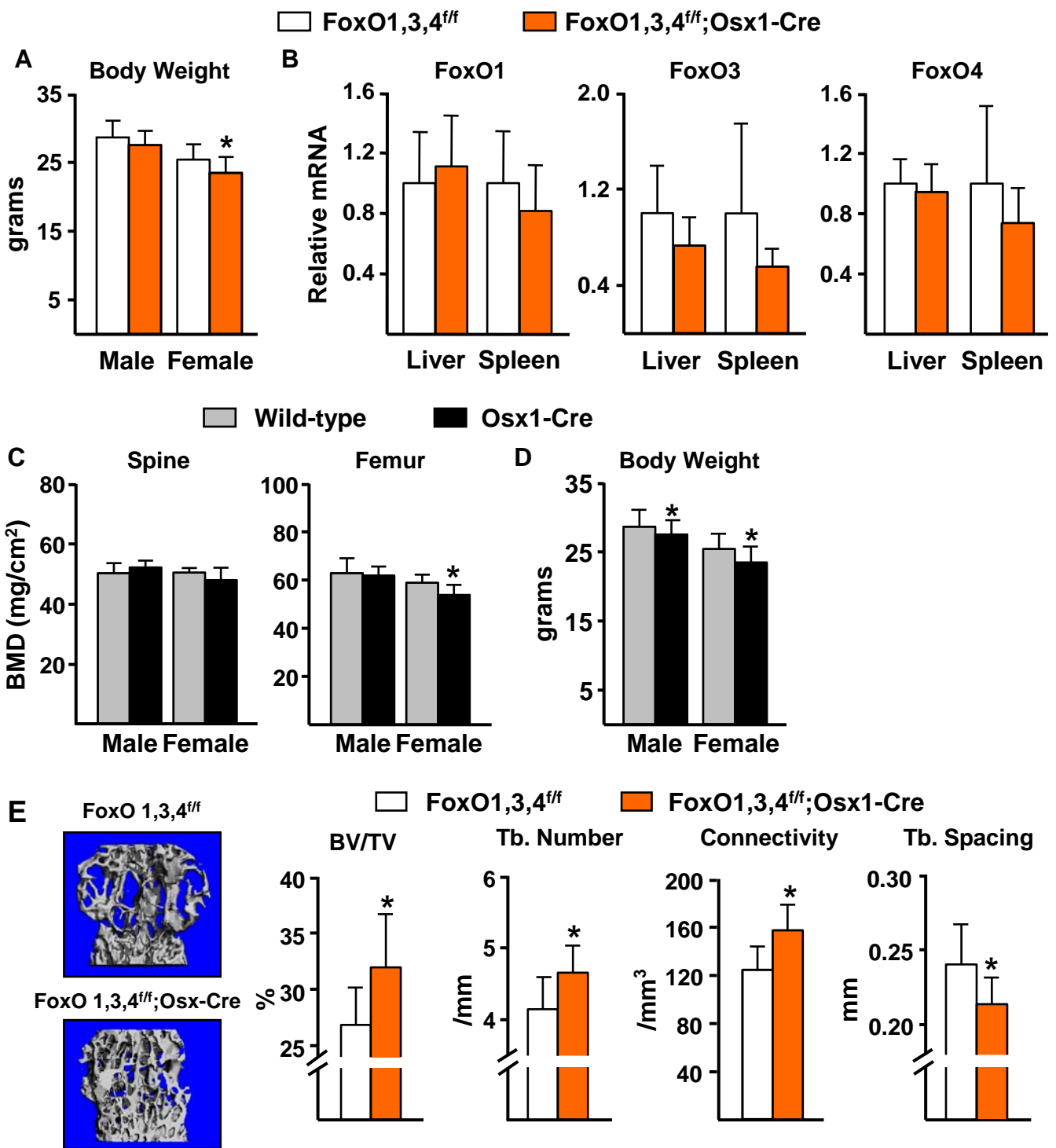
\* $p \leq 0.0001$ ; shown in red are previously described FoxO-target genes

### Supplemental Table 3

Changes in gene expression resulting from FoxO deletion in Osx1-GFP calvaria cells by microarray

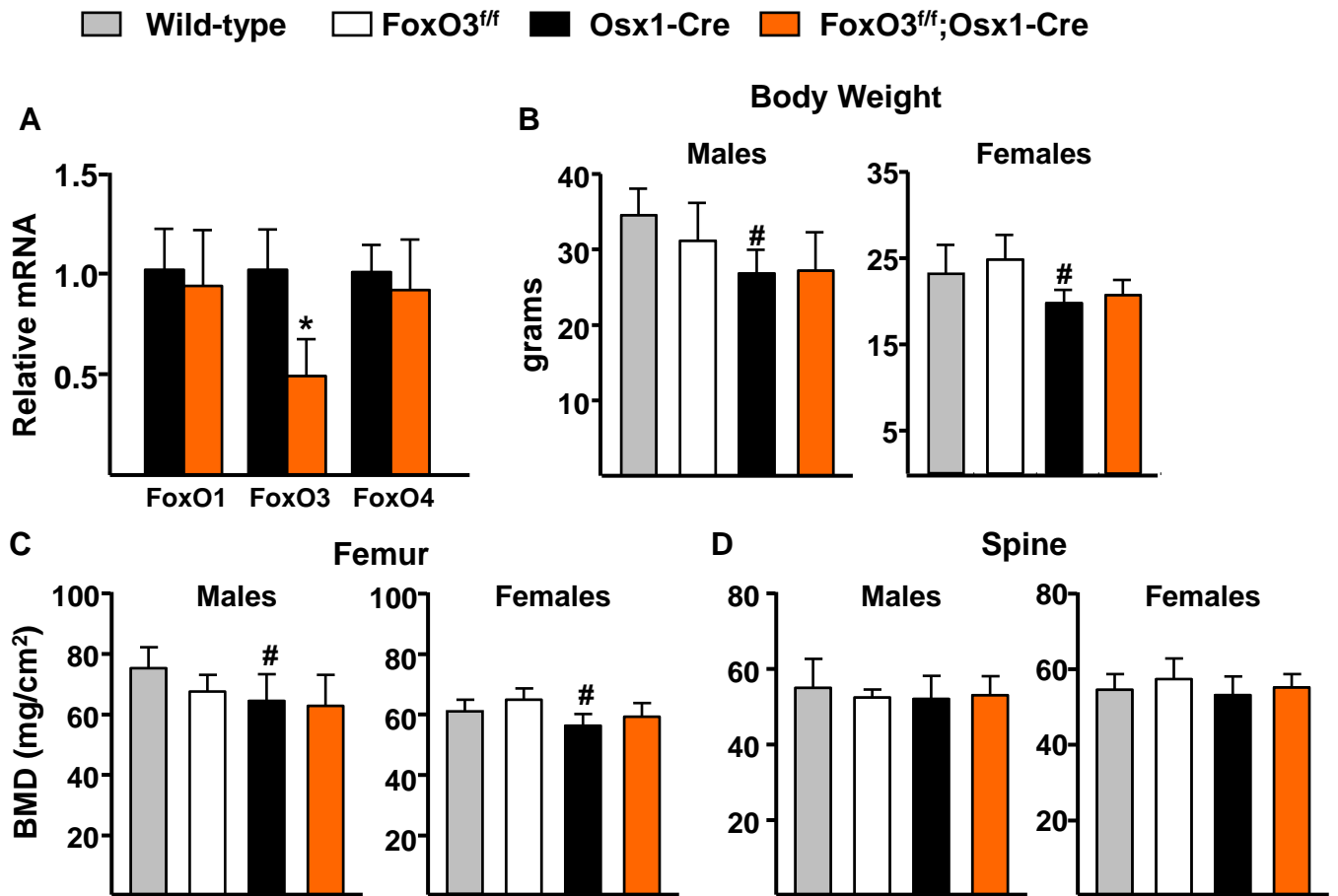
Gene symbol	Gene name	Average Intensity		Ratio (FoxO1,3,4 <sup>ff</sup> ; Osx1-Cre/ Osx1-Cre)
		Osx1-Cre	FoxO1,3,4 <sup>ff</sup> ; Osx1-Cre	
Rankl	Receptor activator of NFκB ligand	85.91	90.31	1.05
M-csf	Colony stimulating factor 1 (macrophage)	4043.10	2724.91	0.67
Alpl	Alkaline phosphatase, liver/bone/kidney	88.38	83.74	0.95
Runx2	Runt-related transcription factor 2	65.63	62.46	0.95
Osx1	Sp7 transcription factor 7	567.21	315.44	0.56
Col1a1	Collagen, type 1, alpha1	5168.77	4607.22	0.89
Dkk1	Dickkopf homolog 1 ( <i>Xenopus laevis</i> )	57.83	55.81	0.96
Sost	Sclerostin	54.28	50.83	0.94
Sfrp1	Secreted frizzled related protein 1	340.87	618.44	1.81*
Sfrp2	Secreted frizzled related protein 2	76.31	87.11	1.14
WNT1	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 1	56.17	50.74	0.9
WNT2	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 2	136.65	115.74	0.85
WNT2B	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 2B	60.16	58.44	0.97
WNT3	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 3	61.72	53.56	0.87
WNT3A	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 3B	56.83	57.19	1.01
WNT4	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 4	80.48	72.58	0.9
WNT5A	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 5A	1021.69	395.54	0.39*
WNT5B	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 5B	108.44	111.77	1.03
WNT6	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 6	54.42	51.13	0.94
WNT7A	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 7A	52.33	52.22	1
WNT7B	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 7B	56.92	57.5	1.01
WNT8A	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 8A	52.84	51.74	0.98
WNT8B	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 8B	53.06	55.66	1.05
WNT9A	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 9A	63.08	62.94	1
WNT9B	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 9B	57.52	56.19	0.98
WNT10A	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 10A	69.9	68.8	0.98
WNT10B	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 10B	75.55	57.89	0.77
WNT11	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 11	59.79	57.33	0.96
WNT16	Wingless-related MMTV integration site 16	55.98	53.79	0.96

\*p ≤ 0.005



**Supplemental Figure 1**

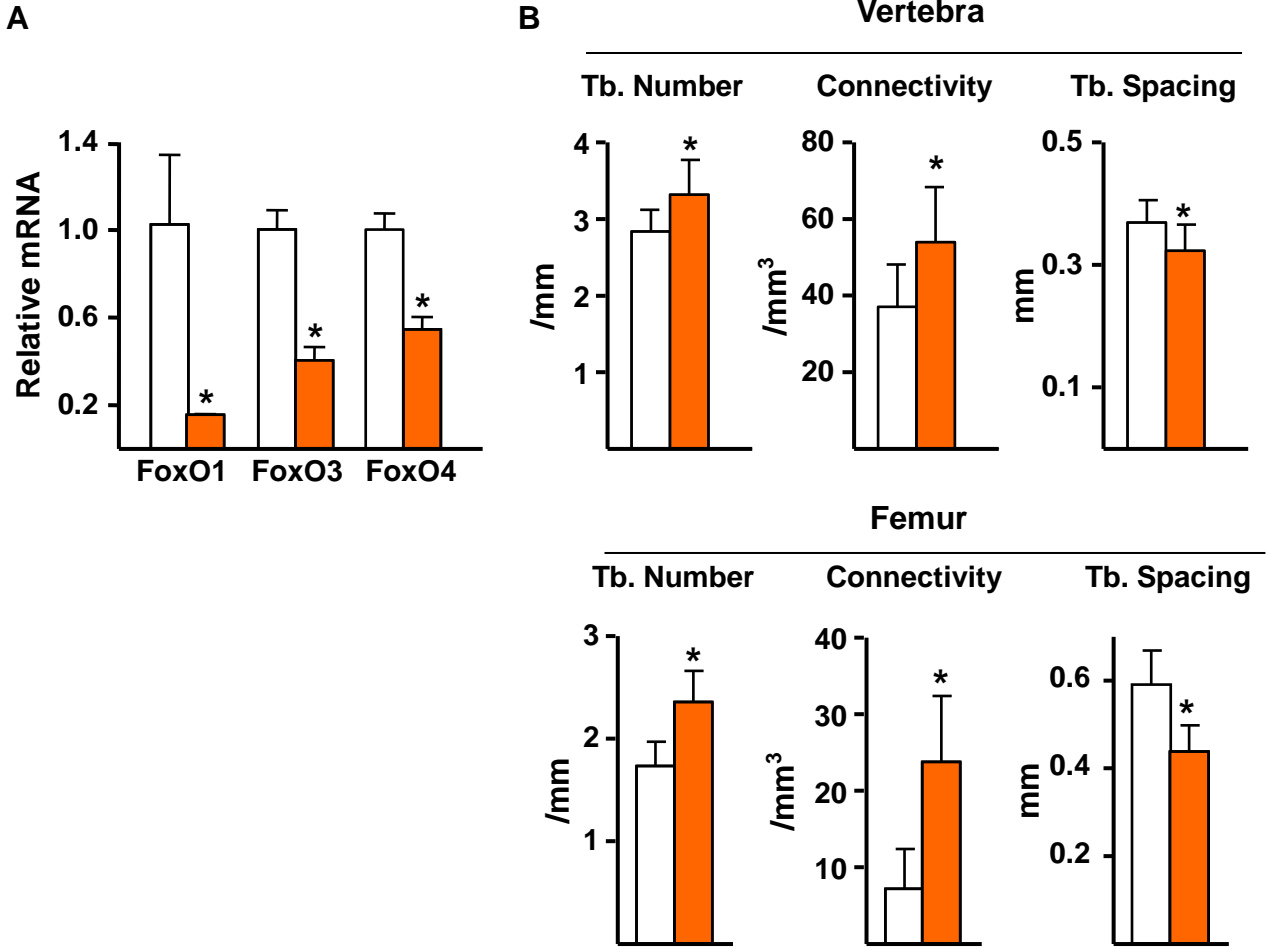
**Mice with FoxO1, 3 and 4 deletion in osteoprogenitors have high bone mass.** (A) Body weights of 3 month old male (n=15-20/group) and female mice (n=23-30/group). (B) mRNA levels by quantitative RT-PCR in liver and spleen of 3 month old mice (n=8-10/group). (C) DEXA BMDs and (D) body weights of 3 months old mice (n=7-10/group). (E) Micro-CT measurements in the vertebra (L5) of 3 month old male mice. Representative images of vertebral cancellous bone are shown. BV/TV, bone volume per tissue volume; Tb, trabecular. Bars represent mean and s.d., \*p<0.05 versus FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup> or wild-type by Student's t-test.



### Supplemental Figure 2

FoxO3 deletion in osteoprogenitors does not affect bone mass. (A) mRNA levels determined by qRT-PCR in high density bone marrow stromal cells (triplicates) cultured with 1% ascorbate for 21 days. (B) Body weights of 3 month old male (n=7-11/group) and female (n=8-15/group) mice. (C) Femur and (D) Spine DEXA BMDs of the mice described in A. Bars represent mean and s.d., #p<0.05 versus wild-type or FoxO3<sup>ff</sup> by two-way ANOVA, \*p<0.05 versus Osx1-Cre by Student's t-test.

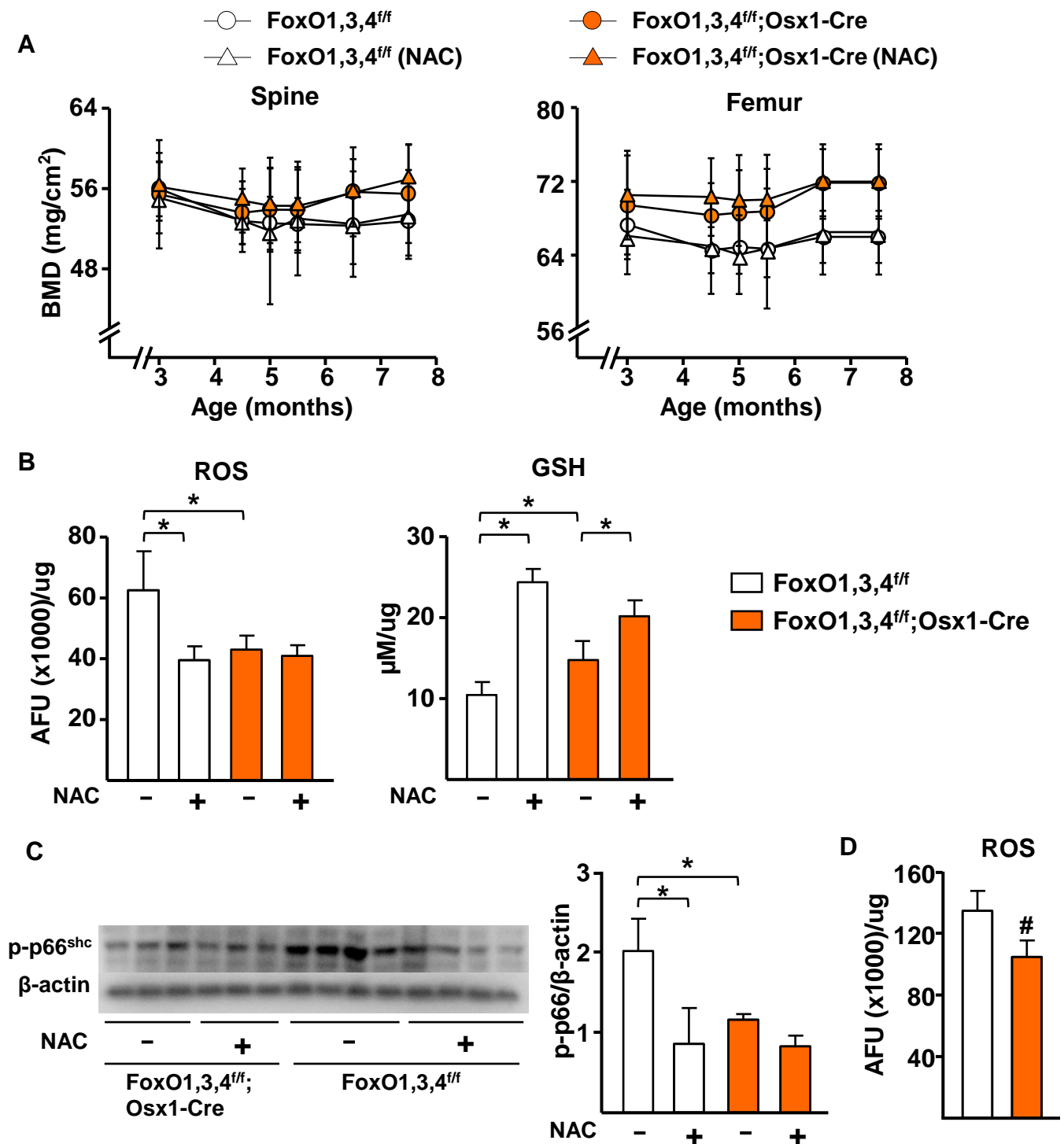
□ FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup>      ■ FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup>;Osx1-Cre



### Supplemental Figure 3

FoxO deletion in osteoprogenitor cells of adult mice increases bone mass. **(A)** FoxO deletion was induced in 3 month old females by replacing the doxycycline containing diet with regular chow. FoxO mRNA levels were determined by quantitative RT-PCR in cultured bone marrow stromal cells obtained after euthanasia at 7.5 months of age (triplicates). **(B)** Micro-CT measurements in vertebra (L5) and femur of the mice described in A (n=10-11/group). BV/TV, bone volume per tissue volume, Tb, trabecular. Bars represent mean and s.d.\*p<0.05 versus FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup> by Student's t-test.

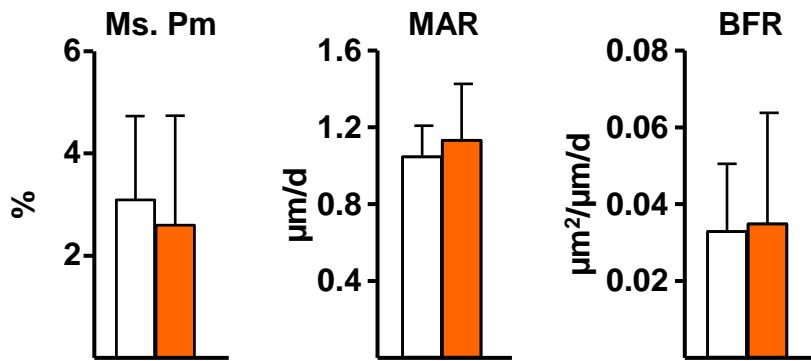




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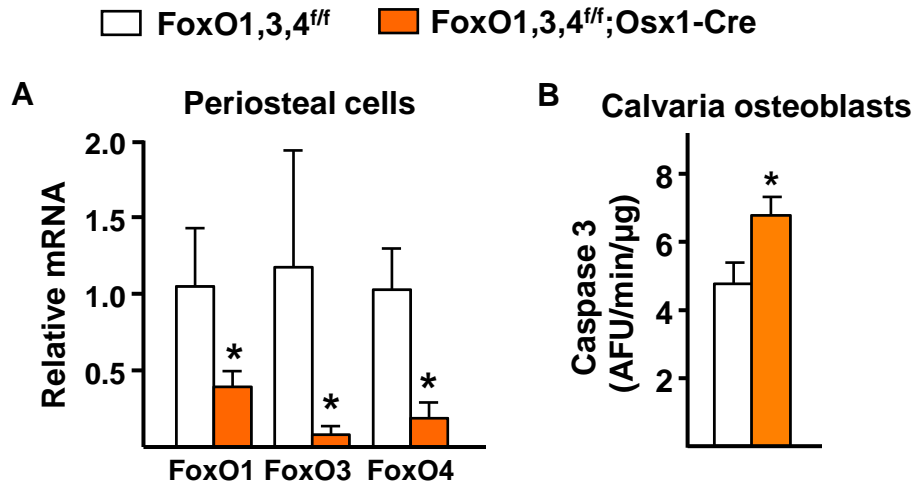
Administration of the anti-oxidant NAC to FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup>;Osx1-Cre mice had no effect on bone mass. (A-D) FoxO deletion was induced in 3 month old females by replacing the doxycycline containing diet with regular chow or a diet containing 100 mg kg<sup>-1</sup> N-acetyl-cysteine (NAC). (A) Longitudinal BMD measurements determined by DXA (n=10-11/group). Data represents mean and s.d. (B) ROS and GSH levels in the bone marrow. (C) phospho-p66<sup>shc</sup> by Western blot in vertebral bone lysates. Each lane represents one animal; the quantification is shown on the right. (D) ROS levels in the bone marrow of 24 month old females. Bars represent mean and s.d. \*p<0.05 by two-way ANOVA; #p<0.05 by Students t test.

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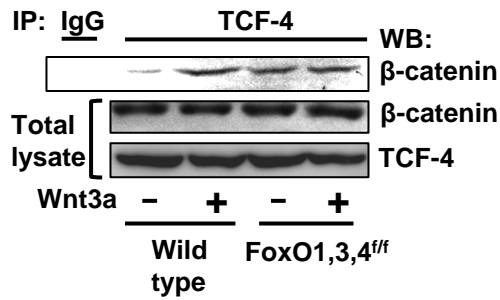
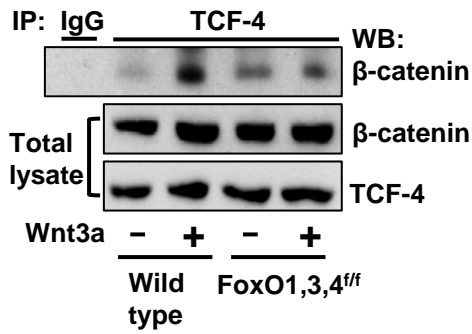
### Supplemental Figure 5

Bone formation in aged FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup>;Osx1-Cre mice. Mineralizing surface (MS), mineral apposition rate (MAR), and bone formation rate (BFR) as determined by tetracycline labels, in the cancellous bone of longitudinal undecalcified vertebral (L1-L3) sections from 24 month old female mice (n=6-7/group). Bone sections in three FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup> and two FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup>;Osx1-Cre mice had less than five double labels, the minimum recommended by the ASBMR Histomorphometry Nomenclature Committee (Dempster et al. *J Bone Miner Res.* 2013, 28:1-16; Recker et al. *Bone* 2011, 49:955-964). Bars represent mean and s.d.



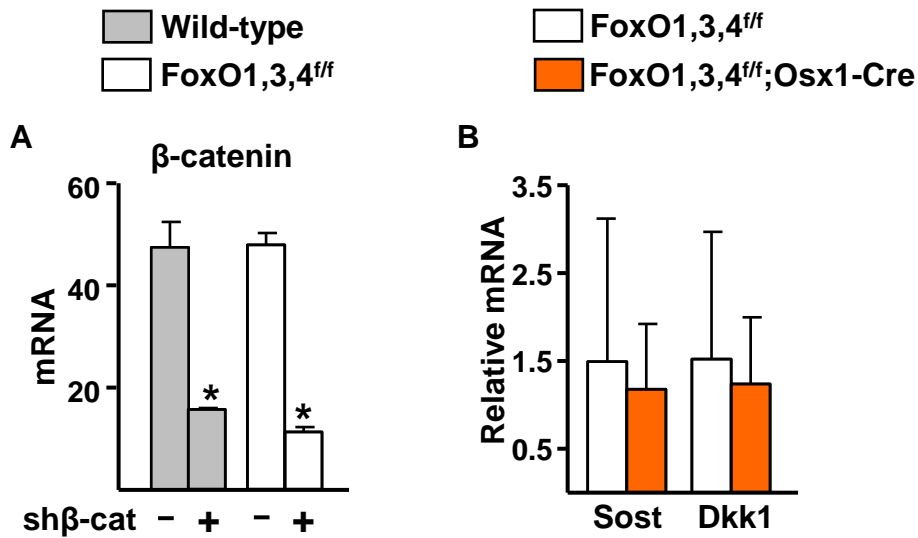
### Supplemental Figure 6

Apoptosis is increased in osteoblast cultured from FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup>;Osx1-Cre mice. (A) mRNA levels of FoxOs determined by qRT-PCR in cultured periosteal cells isolated from 7-week-old mice (triplicates). (B) Caspase 3 activity in calvaria cells from 5 month-old mice cultured for 10 days in the presence of ascorbic acid (triplicates). Bars represent mean and s.d.; \*p<0.05 by Student's t-test.



### Supplemental Figure 7

The binding of  $\beta$ -catenin to TCF4 is increased in the absence of FoxOs. Calvaria cell cultures from the indicated mice were infected with Adeno-Cre to induce FoxO deletion and treated with vehicle or 50 ng/ml Wnt3a. Total cell lysates were immunoprecipitated with an anti-TCF-4 or anti-IgG antibody and probed with an anti- $\beta$ -catenin antibody. Two independent experiments are depicted.



### Supplemental Figure 8

Gene expression in cells and bone from FoxO1,3,4<sup>ff</sup>;Osx1-Cre mice. **(A)** mRNA levels determined by quantitative(q) RT-PCR in calvaria-derived cells infected with Adeno-Cre and with empty viral particles (-) shRNA or one clone expressing shRNA directed against  $\beta$ -catenin (triplicates). **(B)** mRNA levels determined by qRT-PCR in bone shafts from 3 month old mice (n=8-9/group). Bars represent mean and s.d.; \*p<0.05 versus respective cells infected with empty viral particles by Student's t-test.