

**Supplementary table 1** - Baseline characteristics of subchondral bone samples included in the study

	Total (N=34)	RNAseq - hips (N=6)	RNAseq - knees (N=18)	RT-qPCR - biological (N=10)	RT-qPCR - technical (N=10)
Age (SD)	68,1 (9,5)	67,8 (8,8)	65,7 (8,5)	72,4 (10)	67,6 (7,8)
Females (total)	27 (34)	6 (6)	16 (18)	5 (10)	8 (10)