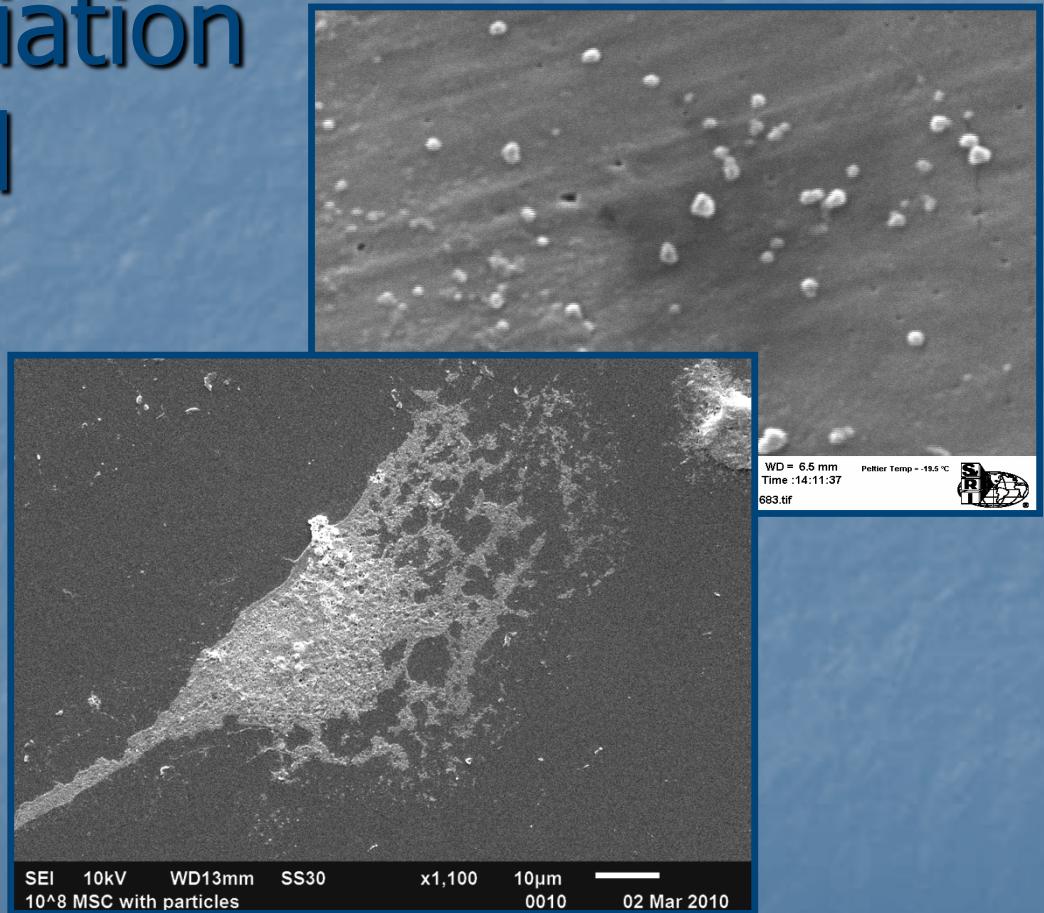


# Effect of UHMWPE Particles on Mesenchymal Stem Cell Replication and Differentiation Potential

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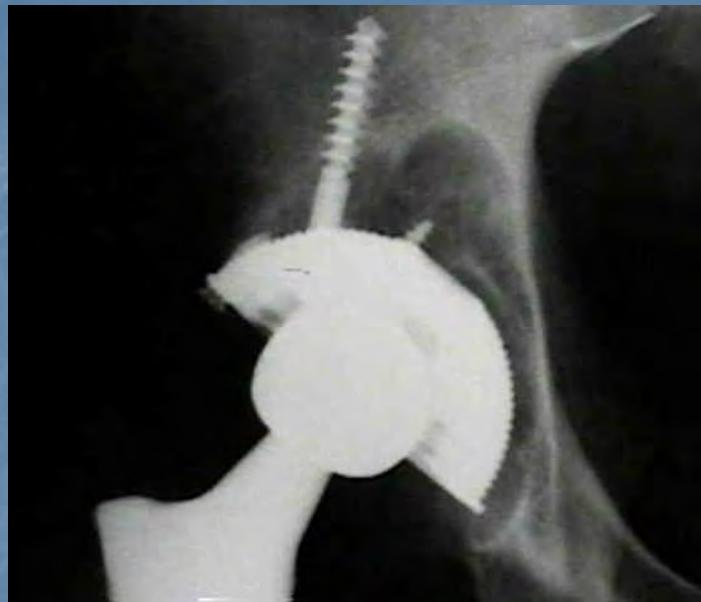


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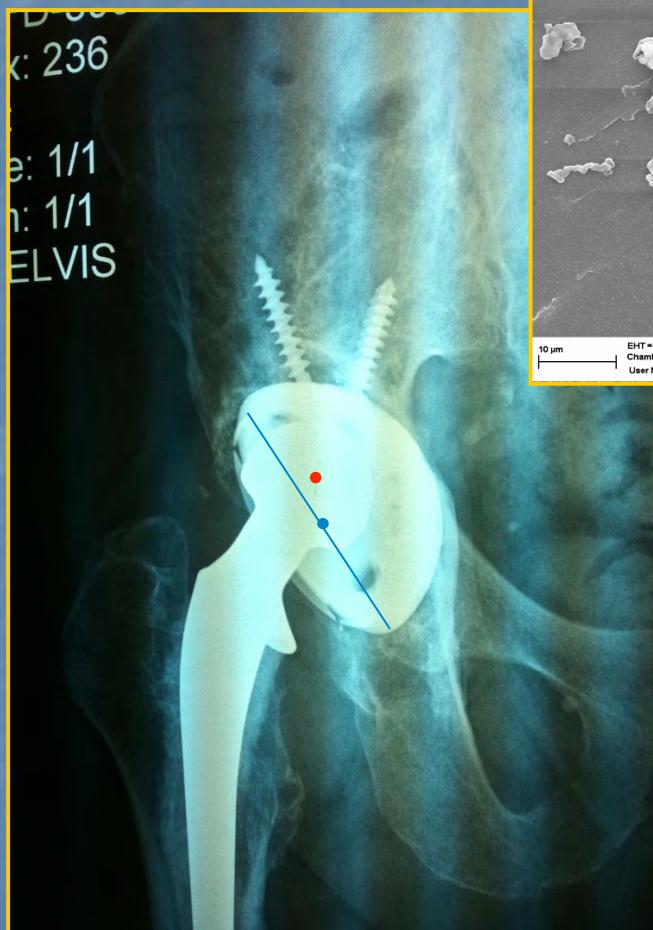


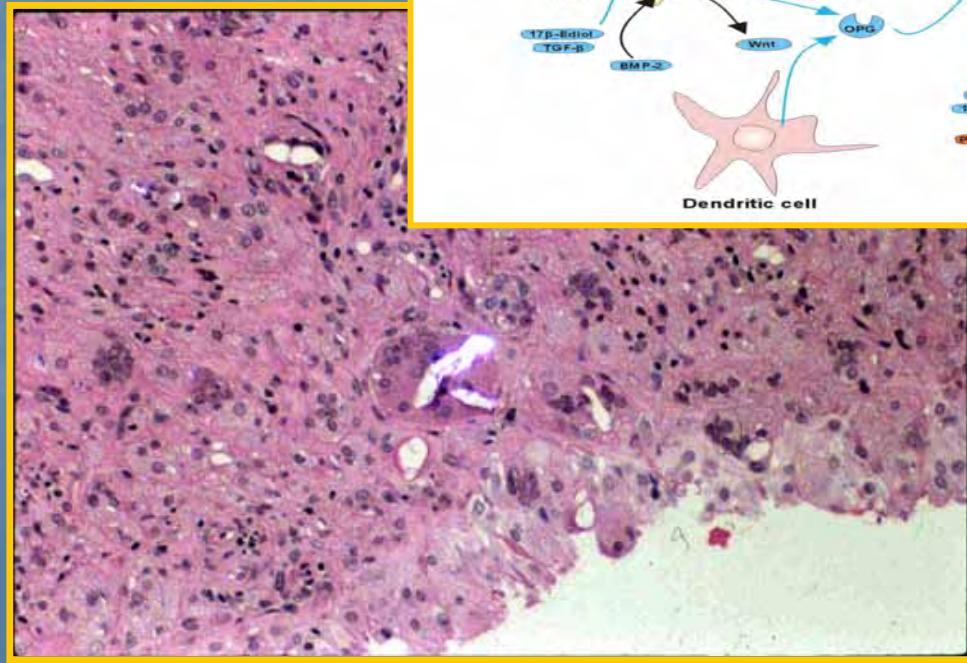
- Ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene (UHMWPE) wear debris particles → osteolysis / implant loosening
- Long-term Implant stability
  - Osteoblasts' ability to form new bone in the periprosthetic region
  - \*normal bone formation requires adequate availability of OB

# Implant Stability

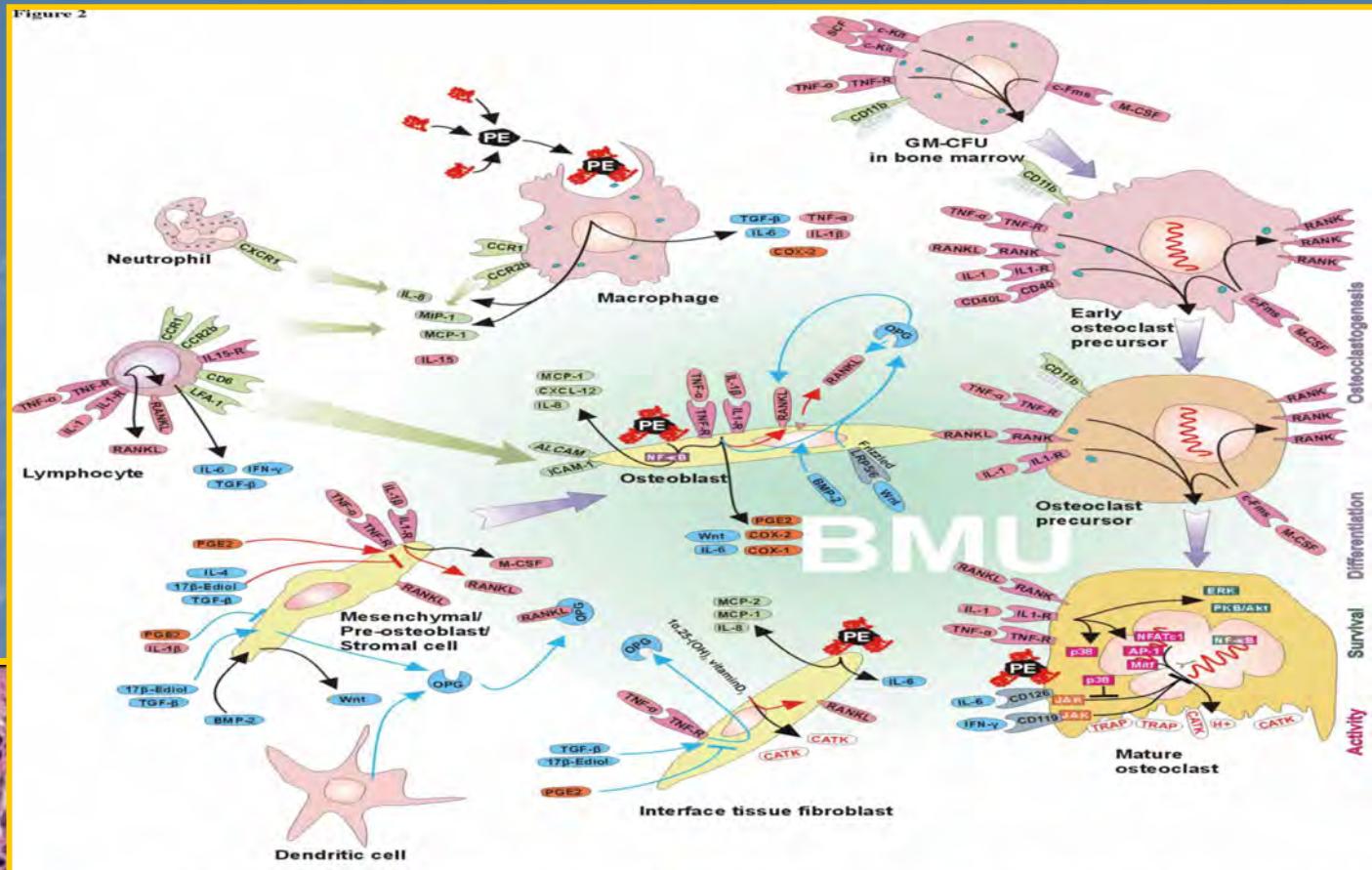


# Clinical Relevance



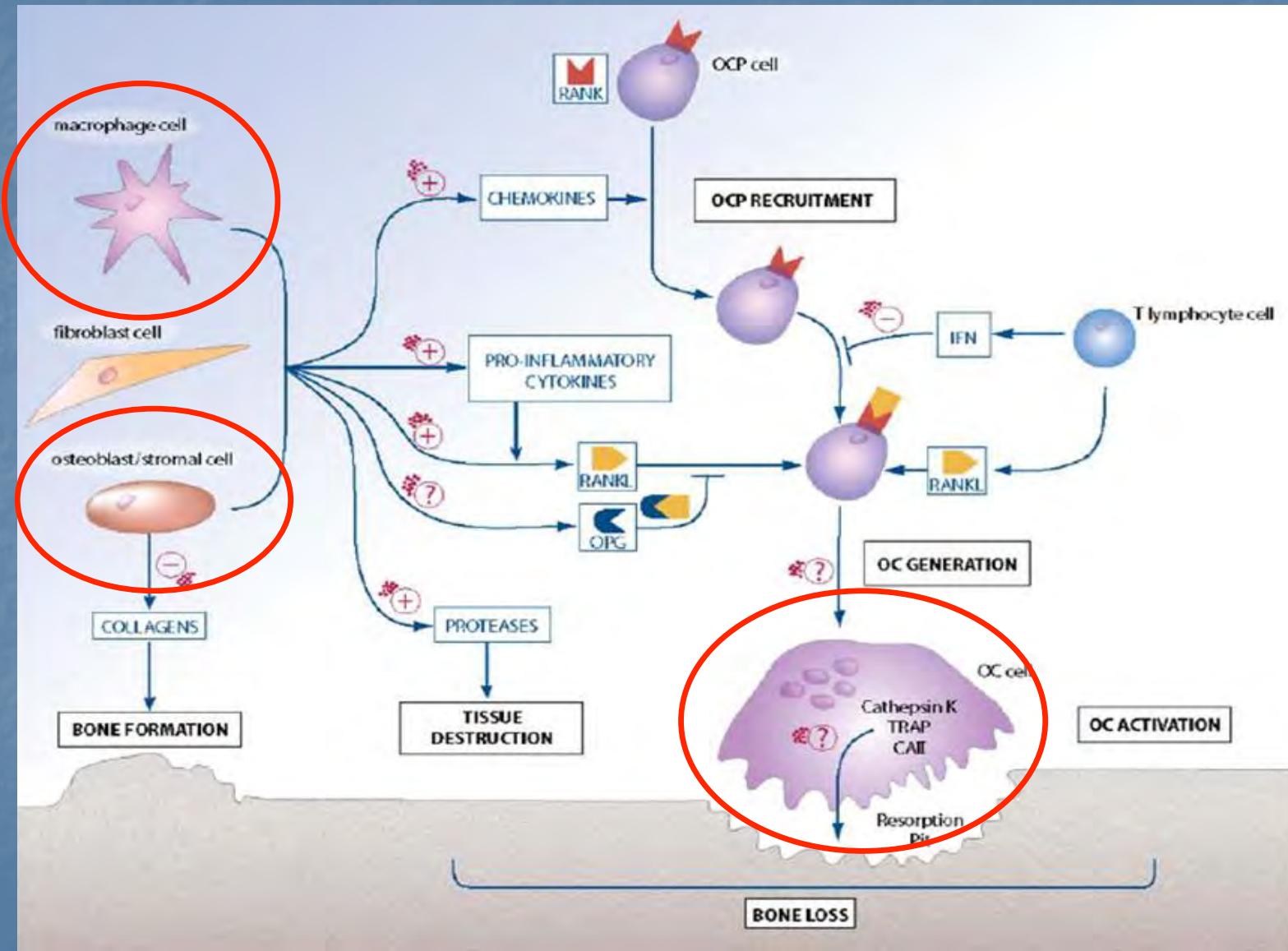


**Figure 2**



Gallo J et al, 2007

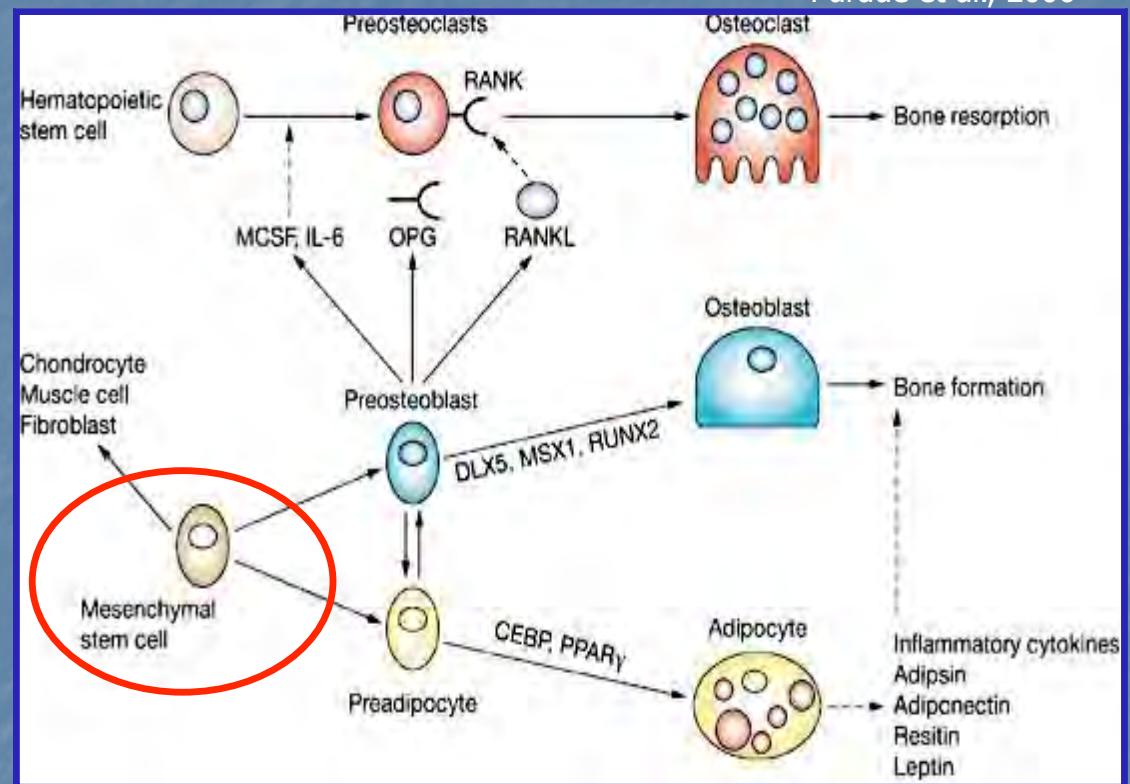
# Osteolytic Process



# Background

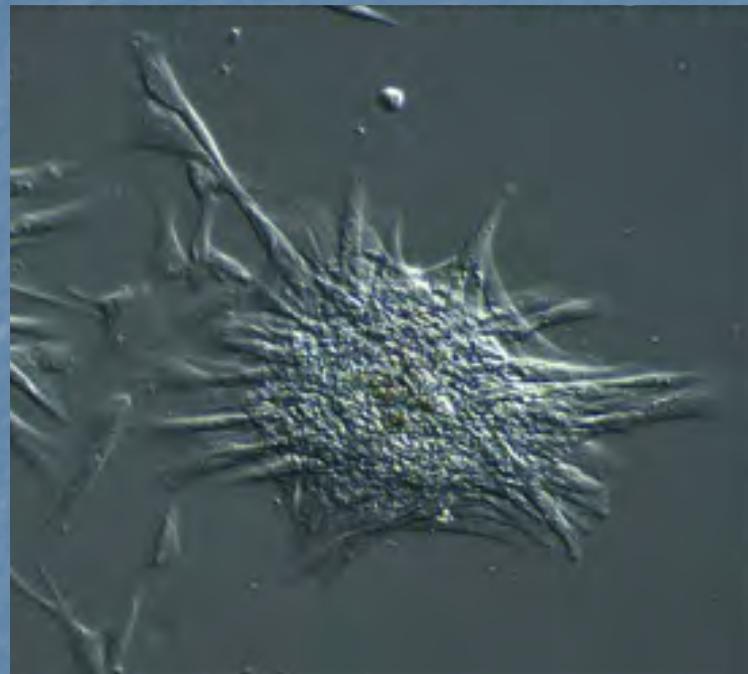
- MSC dictates the osteoblast precursor availability in the periprosthetic area

Purdue et al., 2006



# Study Goal

- To better elucidate the biological consequences of wear debris on peri-prosthetic cells
- Evaluate the effect of UHMWPE on the mesenchymal stem cell replication and differentiation



# Clinical Relevance

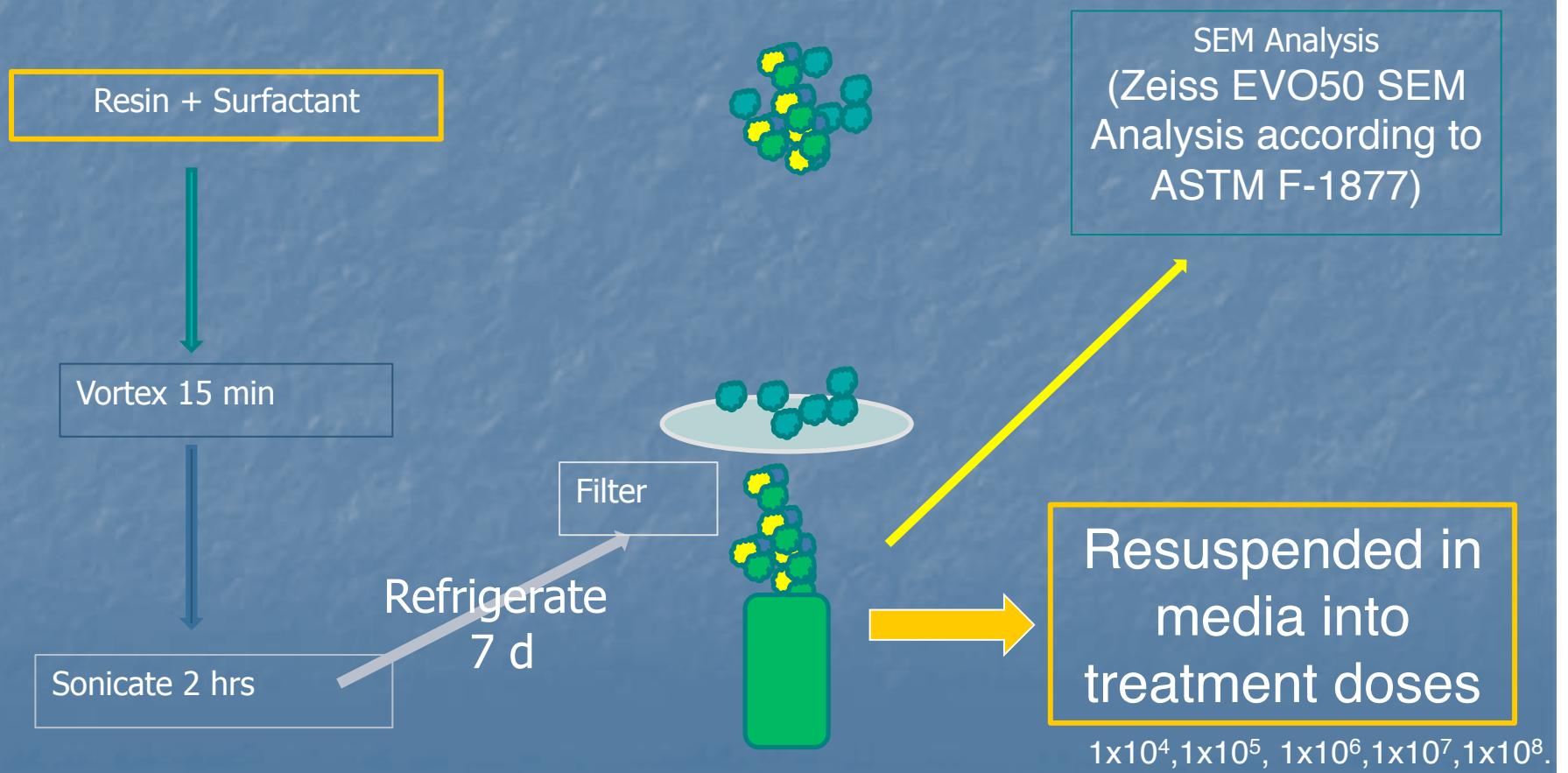
- Develop treatment strategies for existing osteolytic lesions
- Improve the longevity of future implants
- Allow preoperative risk assessment of an individual's response to the anticipated particle load

# Outcome Measures

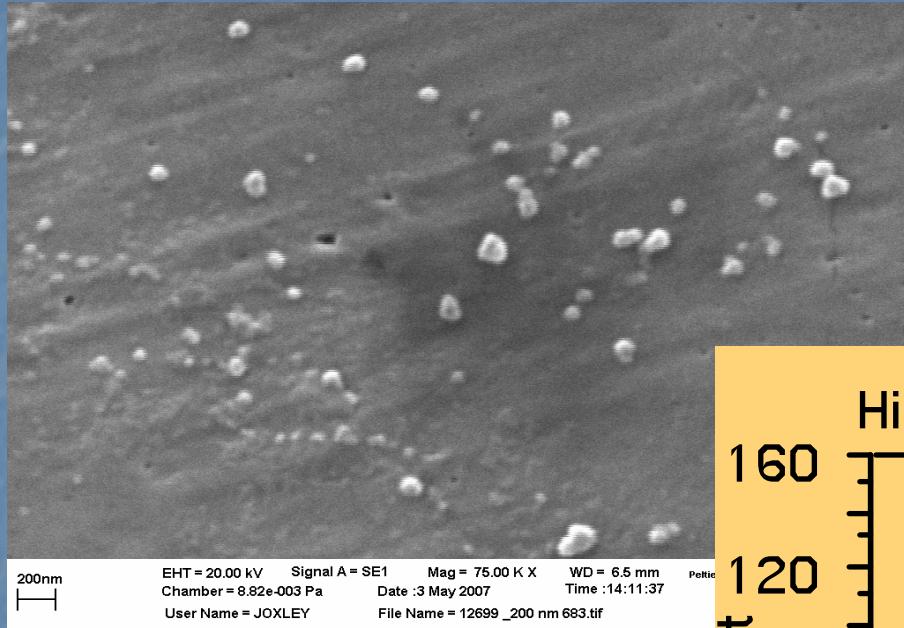
- Proliferation
  - Total Cell Count
- Replication
  - Colony Forming Units - Fibroblast (CFU-F)
- Differentiation Capacity
  - CFU – AD for adipogenesis
  - CFU – OB for osteogenic potential

# Particle Preparation

- GUR 1050 suspended in water (pH 5.5) + 500ppm Pluronic



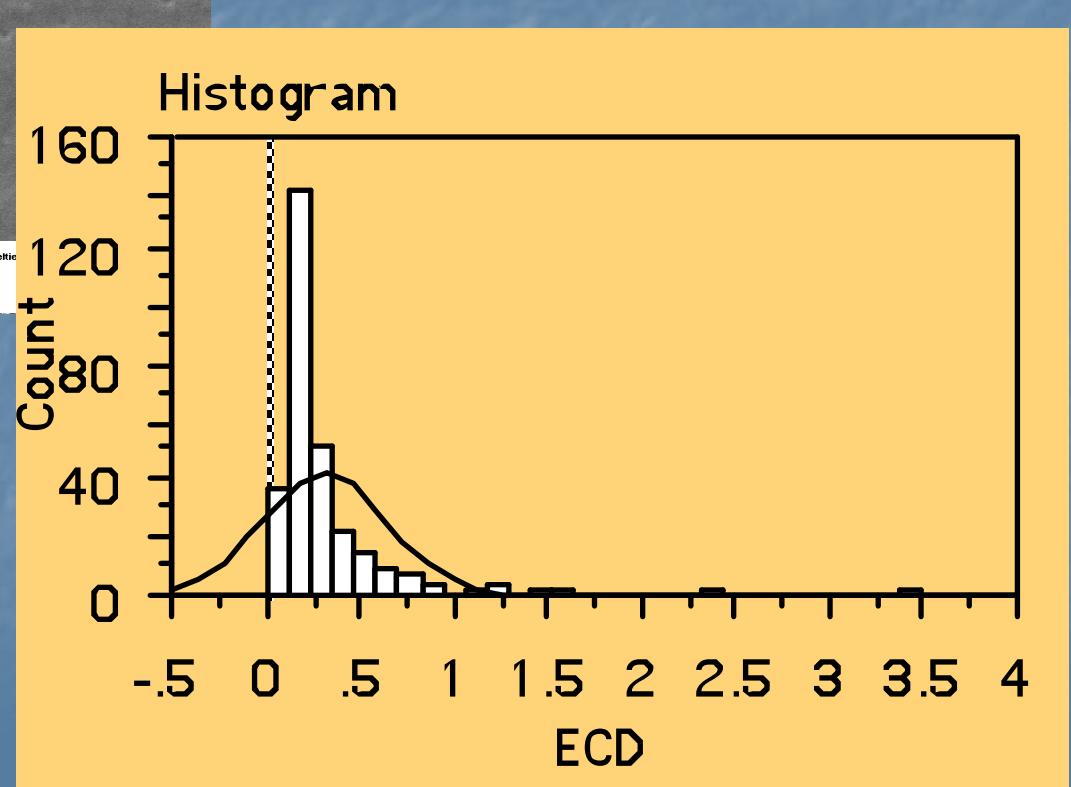
# Methods - UHMWPE Particles



75,000x

Mean particle size=  
0.4 $\mu$ m  
{range:16nm-4 $\mu$ m}

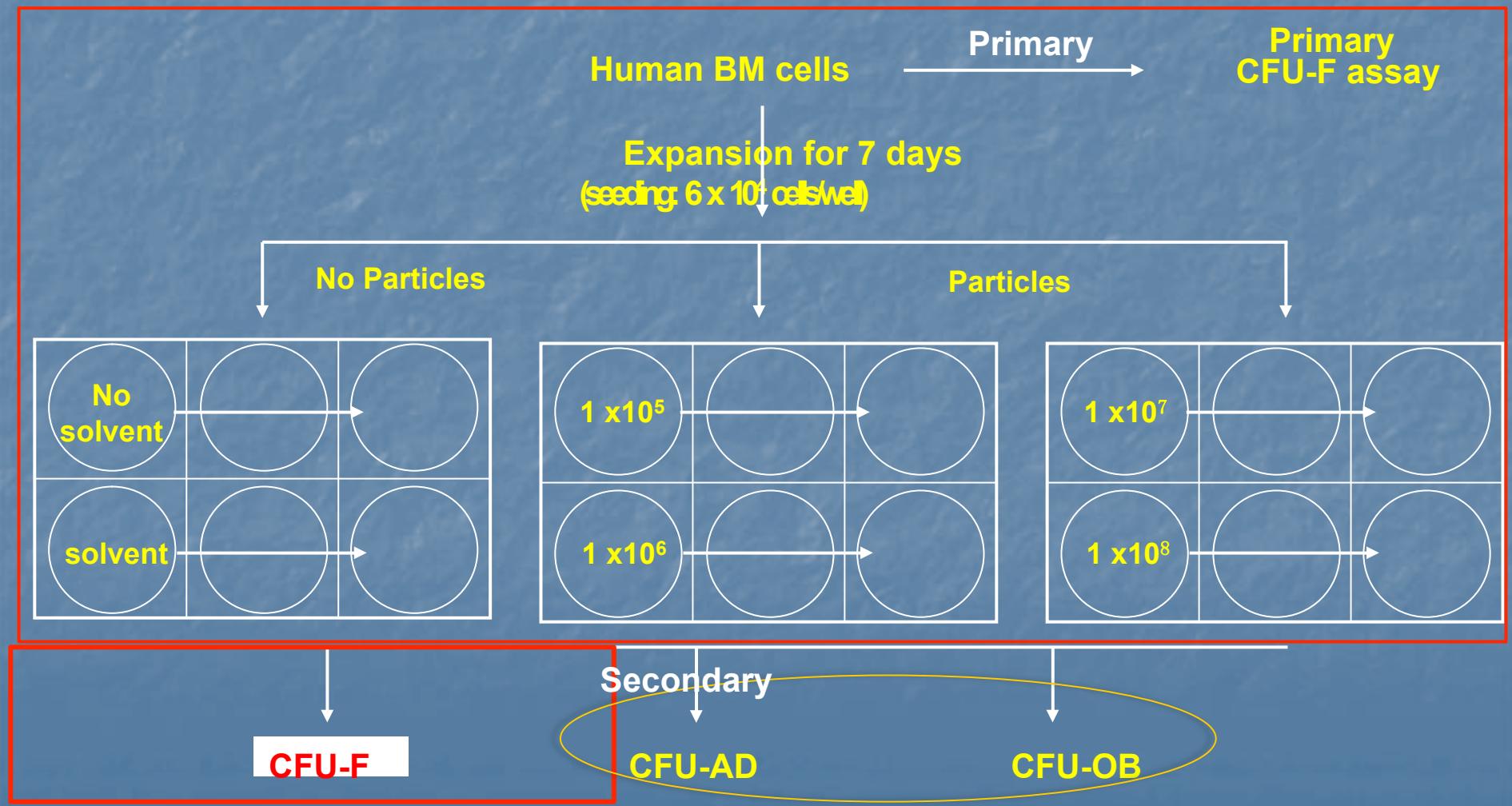
GUR 1050  
Suspended in water, pH  
5.5, containing 500ppm  
Pluronic



# Methods

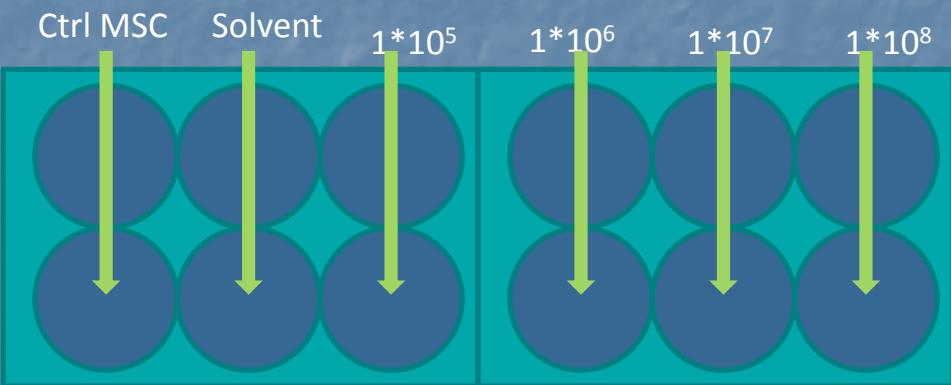
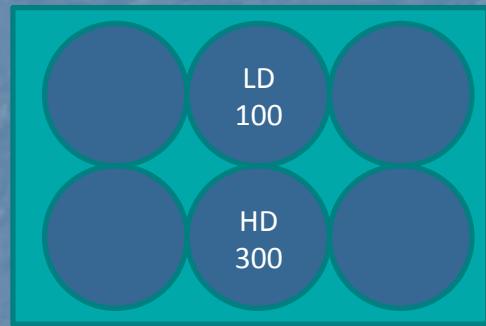
- Young MSCs

- ALLCELLS - (Emeryville, CA) Passage 1

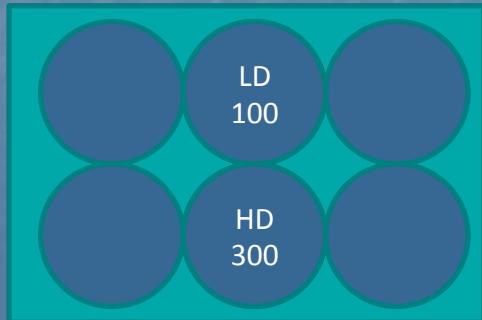


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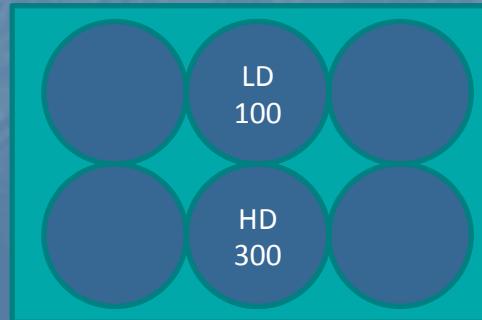
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CFU-F



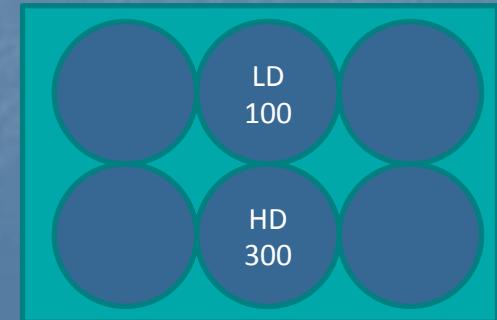
Secondary  
CFU-F



Secondary  
CFU-AD

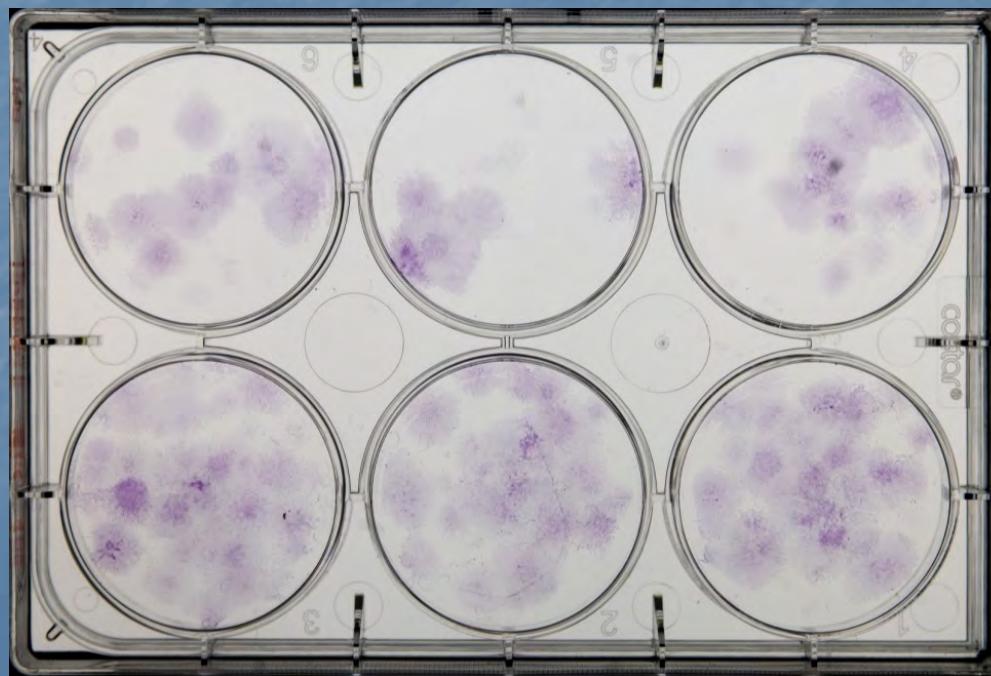


Secondary  
CFU-OB



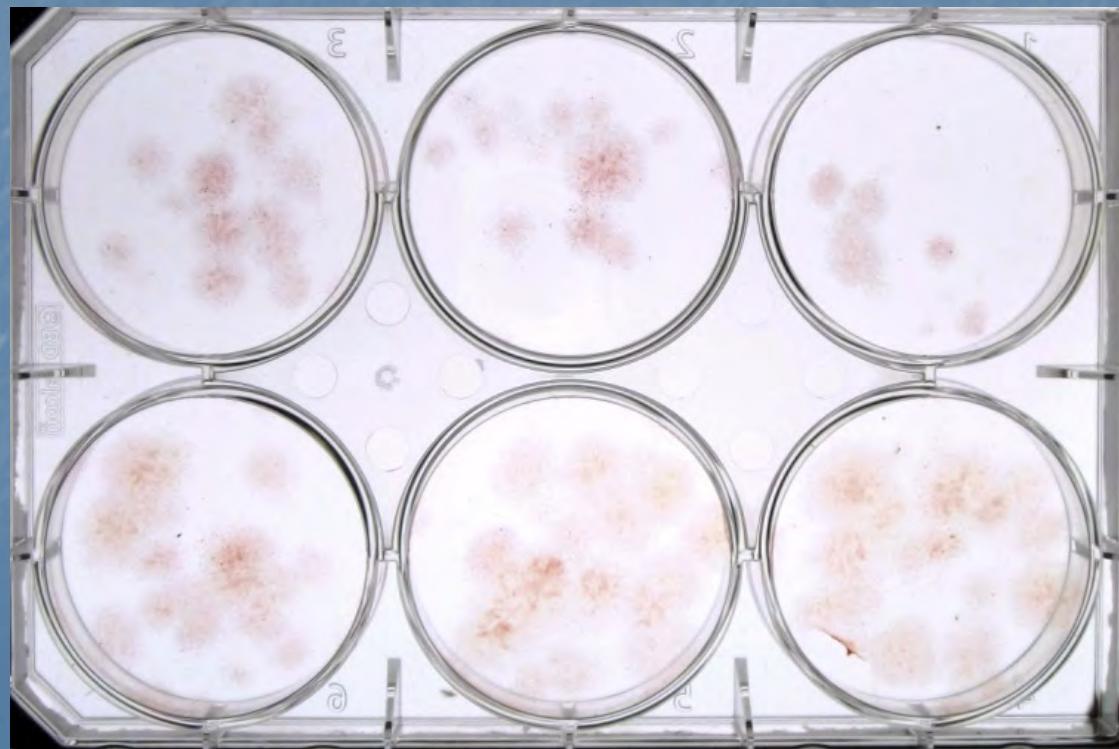
# CFU-F Replication Assay

- After 14 days of culture, colonies visualized utilizing crystal violet
- View colony number and size



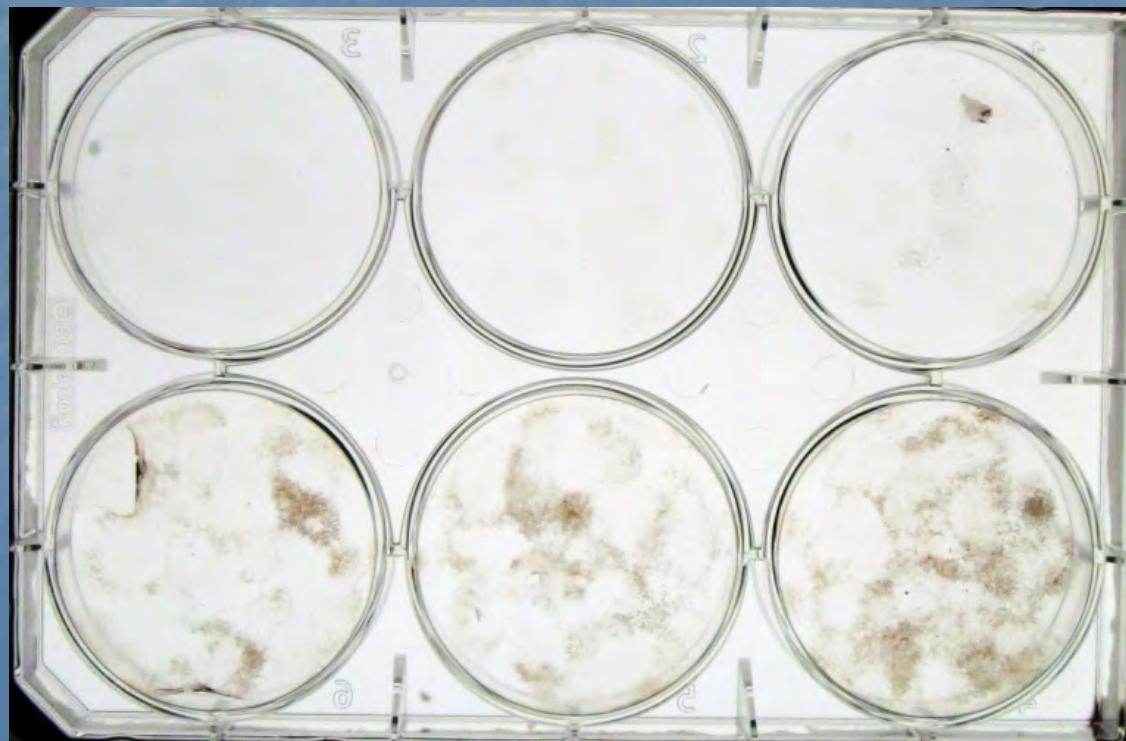
# Differentiation Potential - Adipocyte

- CFU – AD
- Stained with Oil-Red-O
- View colony number and size

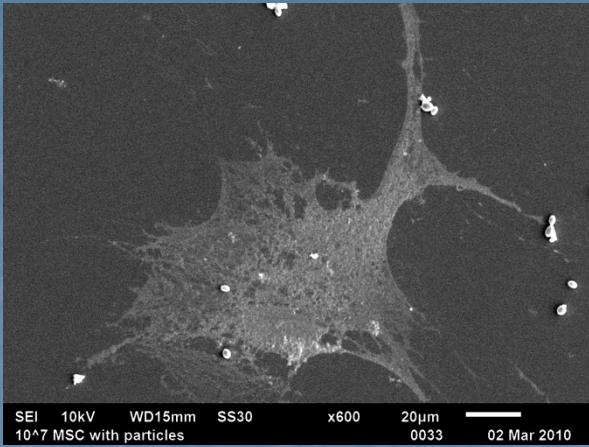


# Differentiation Potential – Osteoblastic Lineage

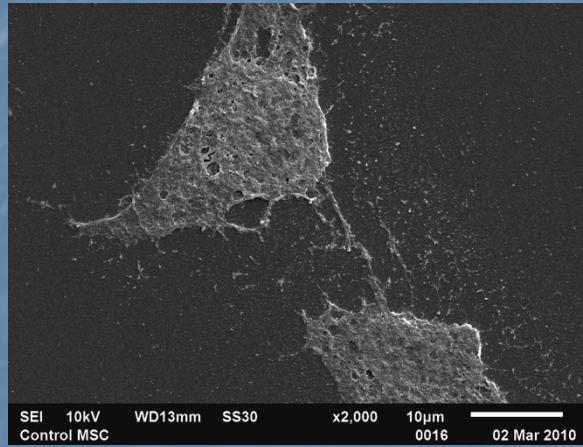
- CFU – OB Assay
- Von Kossa Staining for calcified matrix
- View colony number and size



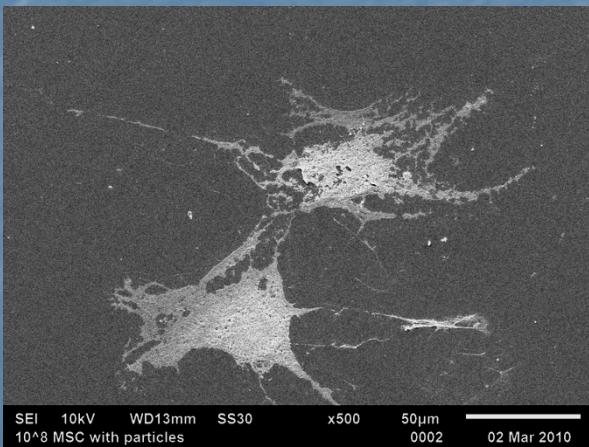
# SEM Images



Low mag with  $1 \times 10^7$  particles

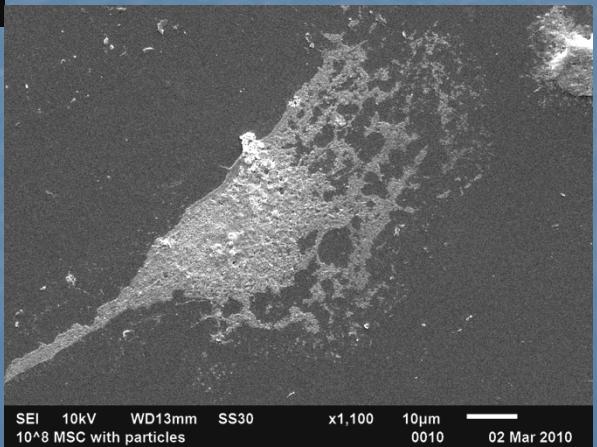
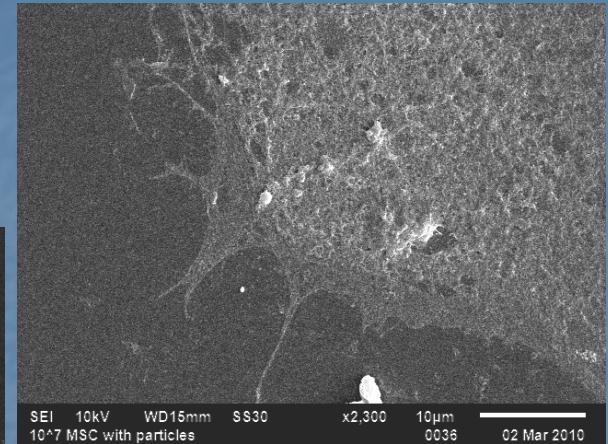


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Control without particles

\* Note the cellular disruption at highest treatment dose.

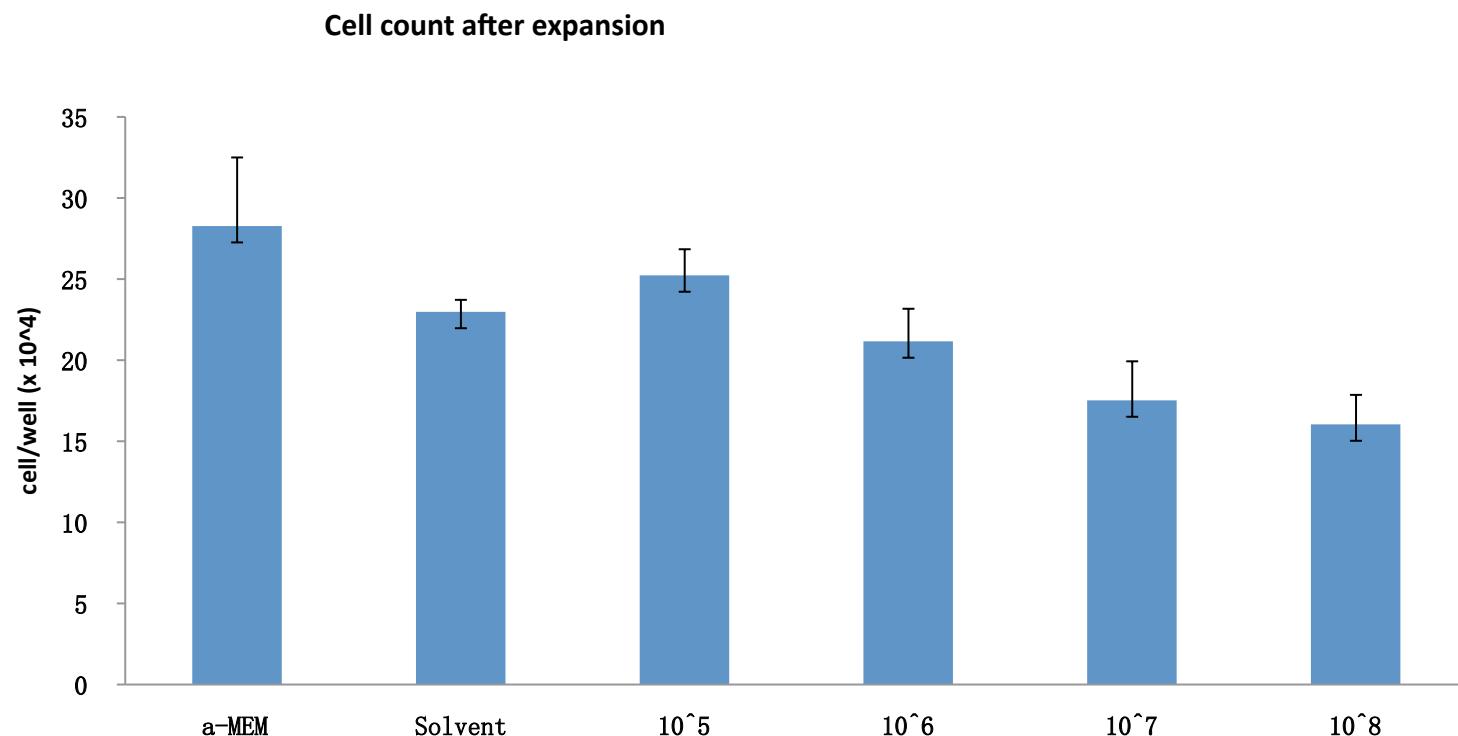


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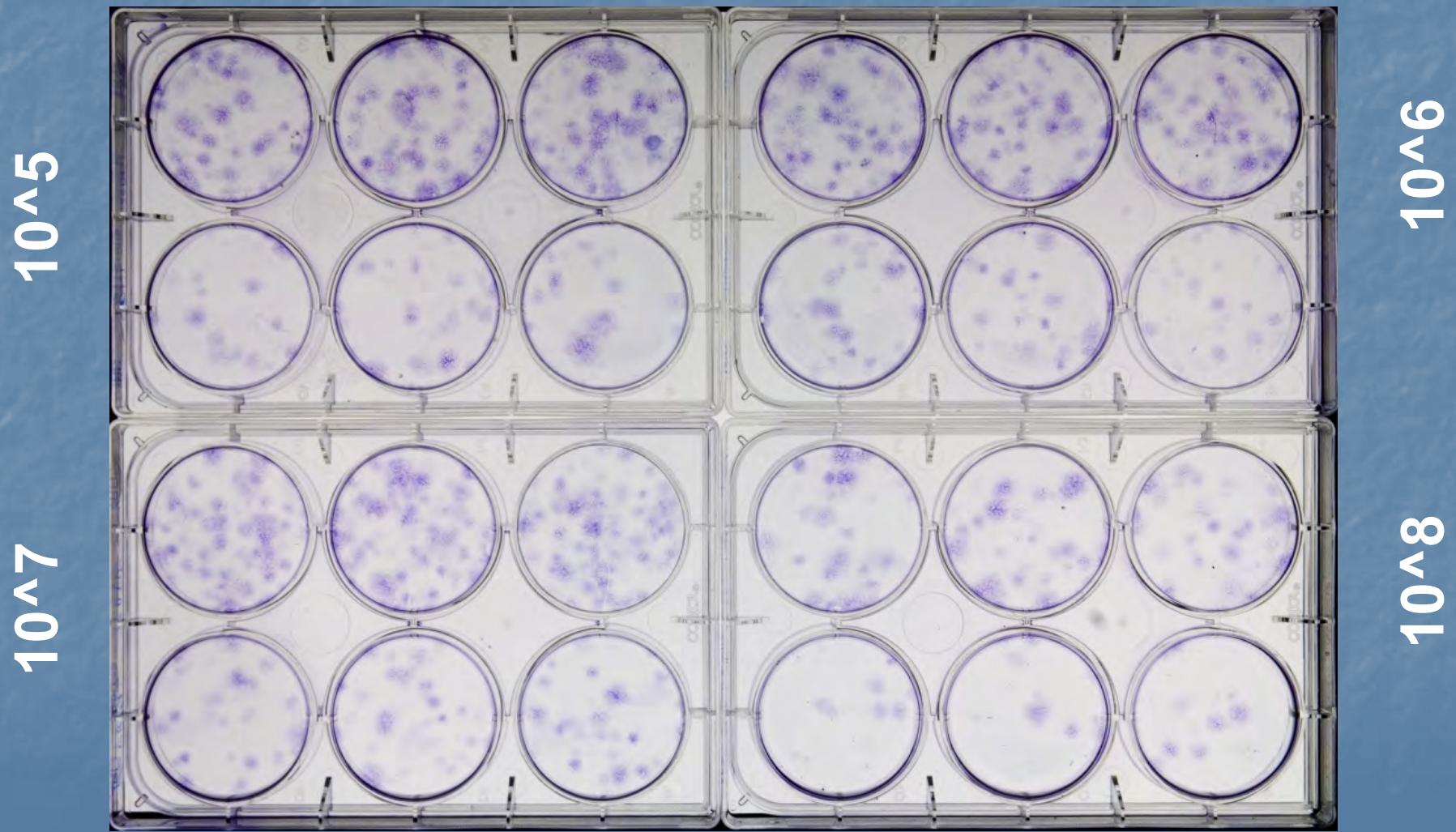
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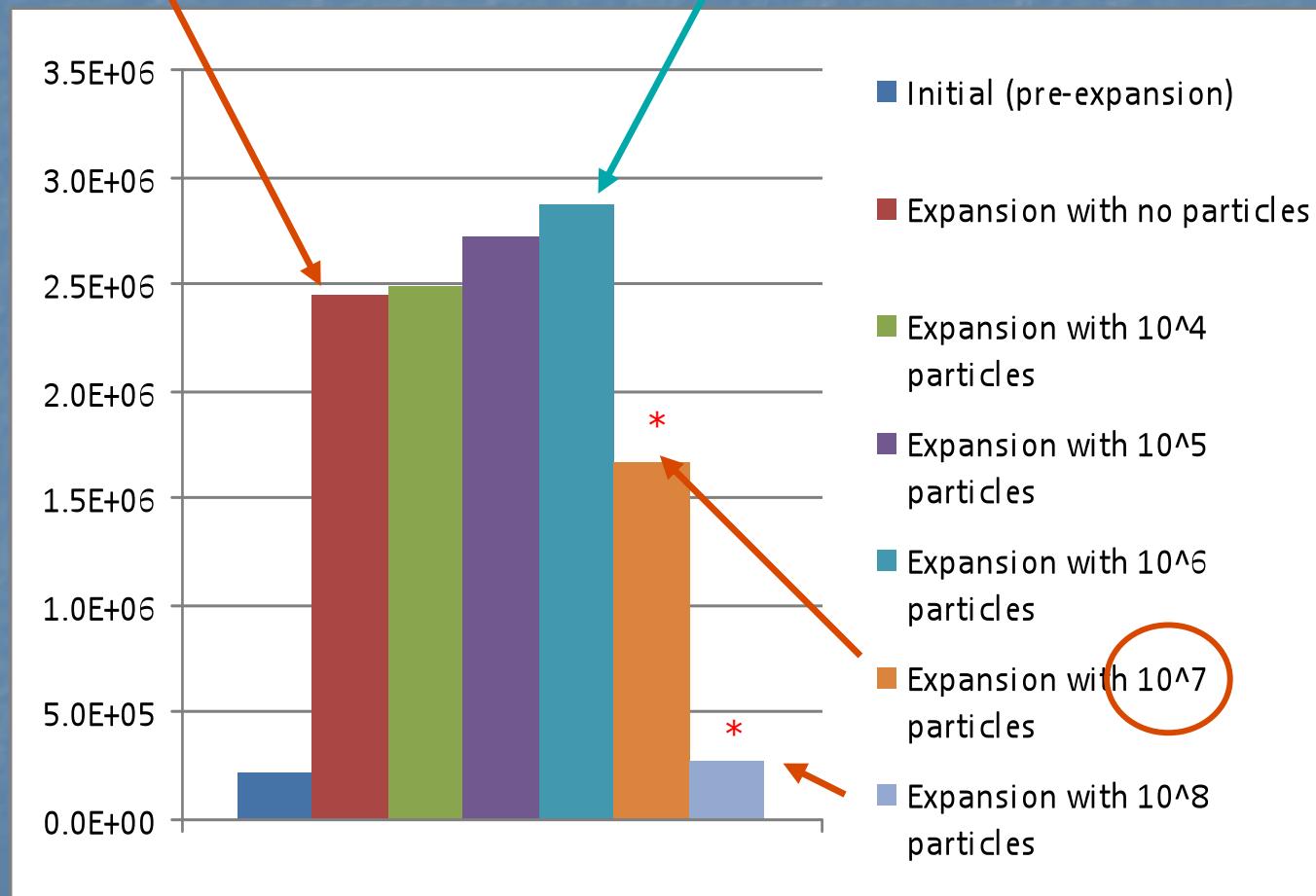
# Results – Total Cell Count



# Results: CFU-F Replication



# CFU-F Replication



- Dose- dependent response

\* p<0.05

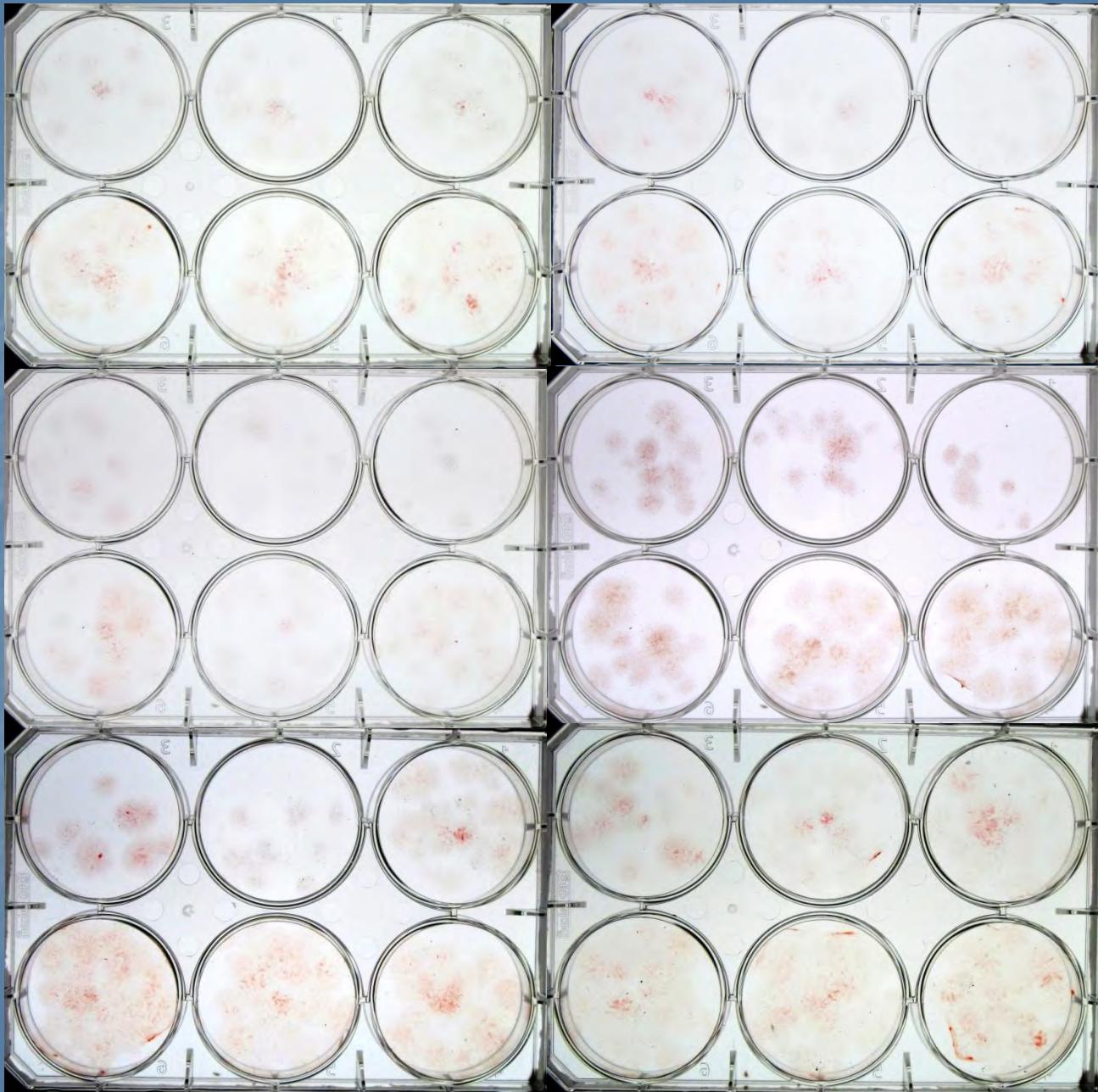
# Differentiation Potential

CFU-AD

$10^7$

$10^5$

a-MEM

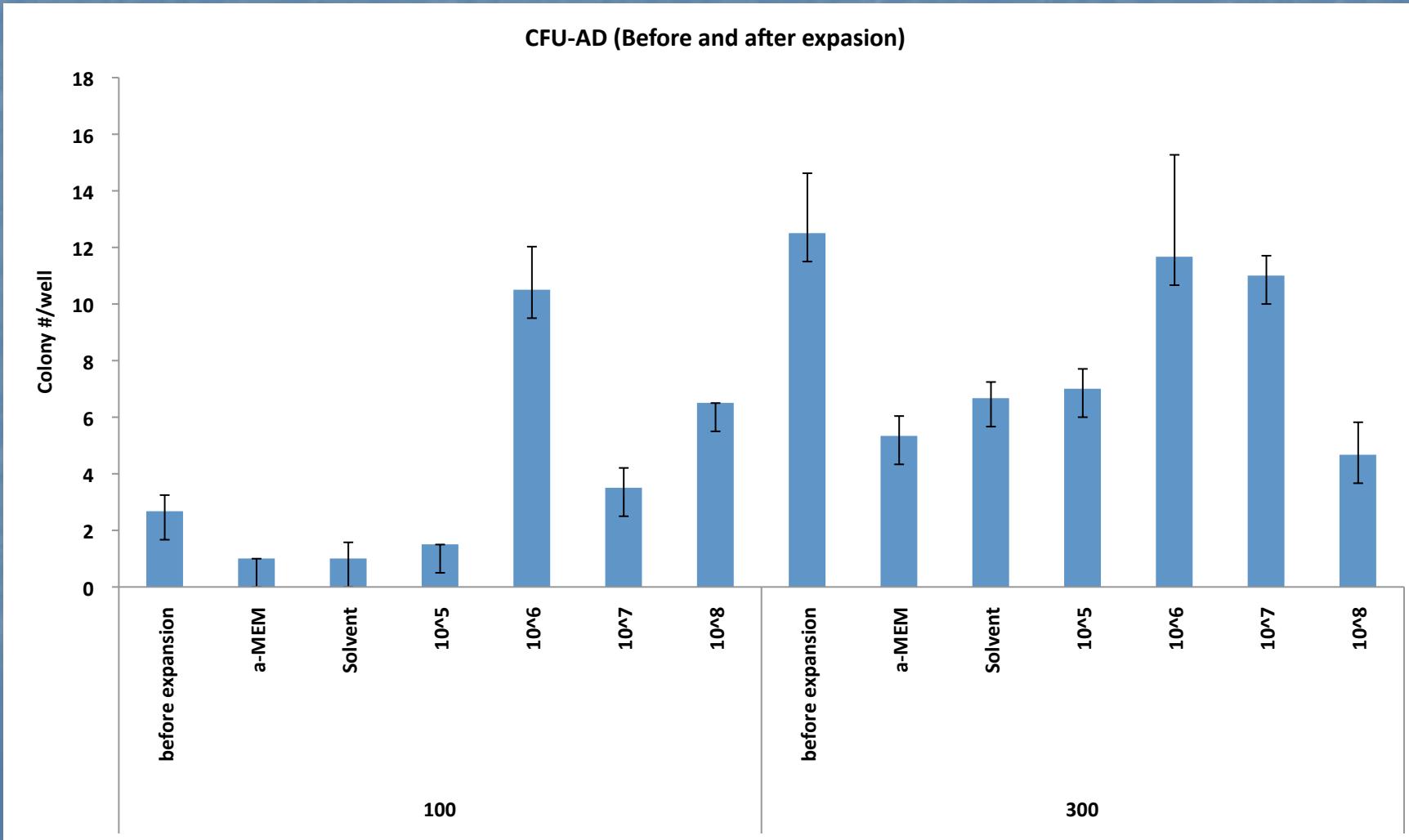


Solvent

$10^6$

$10^8$

# Results: CFU - AD



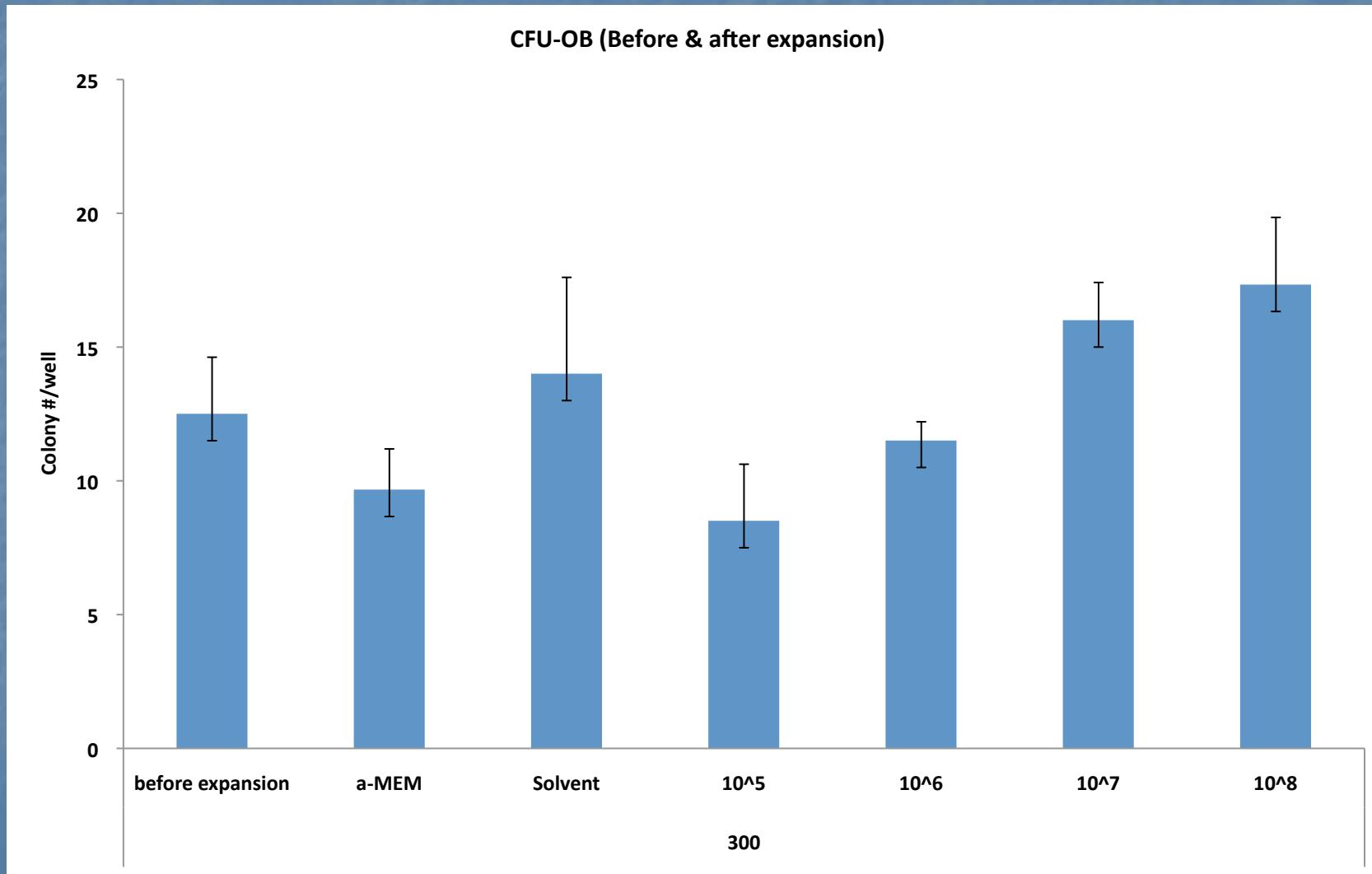
# Differentiation Potential

CFU-OB  
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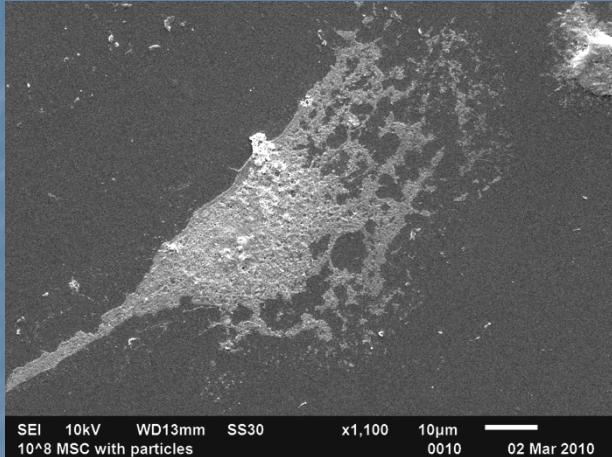


Solvent  
 $10^6$

# Results: CFU - OB



# Conclusions



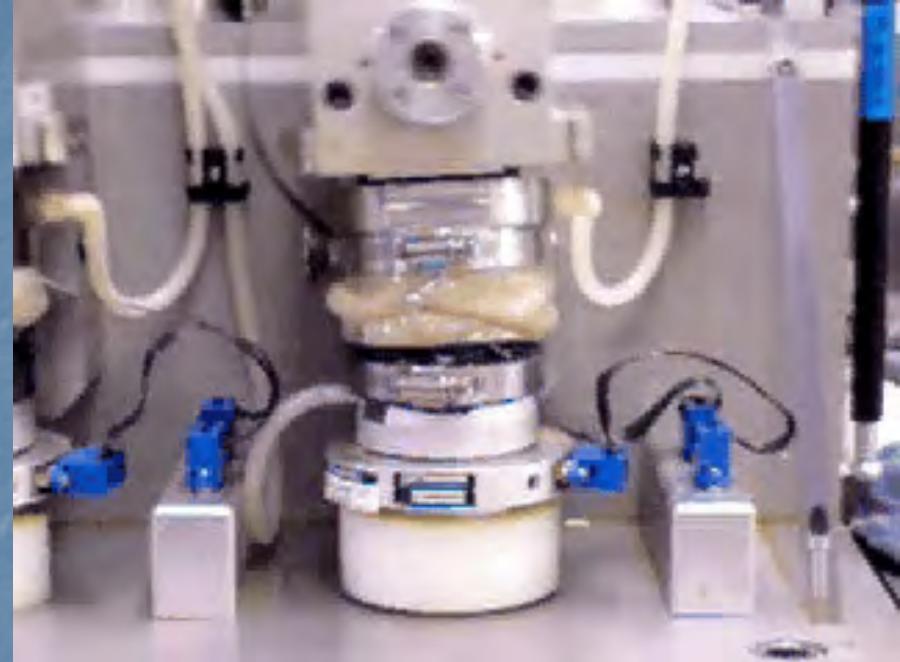
- UHMWPE particles appear to have a direct effect on mesenchymal stem cells
- Revealed a dose-dependent effect of UHMWPE on MSC proliferation
  - Stimulatory up to a threshold dose, then cytotoxic?
- Low dose particle burden with higher adipogenic potential
- Higher dose particle burden with higher osteogenic potential

# Limitations

- GUR 1050 Resin, not Wear Debris
  - Simulated Wear Debris
  - Endotoxin Negativity may not translate to actual wear debris
- Cell Surface Markers still under investigation
- Young MSCs

# Future Directions

- Wear simulator particles
  - Conventional
  - Cross-linked
  - Vitamin E Poly
- Time Lapse Studies
  - Cellular Uptake Mechanism
- Young vs Aging Stem Cells
- Utilizing Fractionated particles to investigate Size-Dependent Effect
- In vivo Studies



# Thank you



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