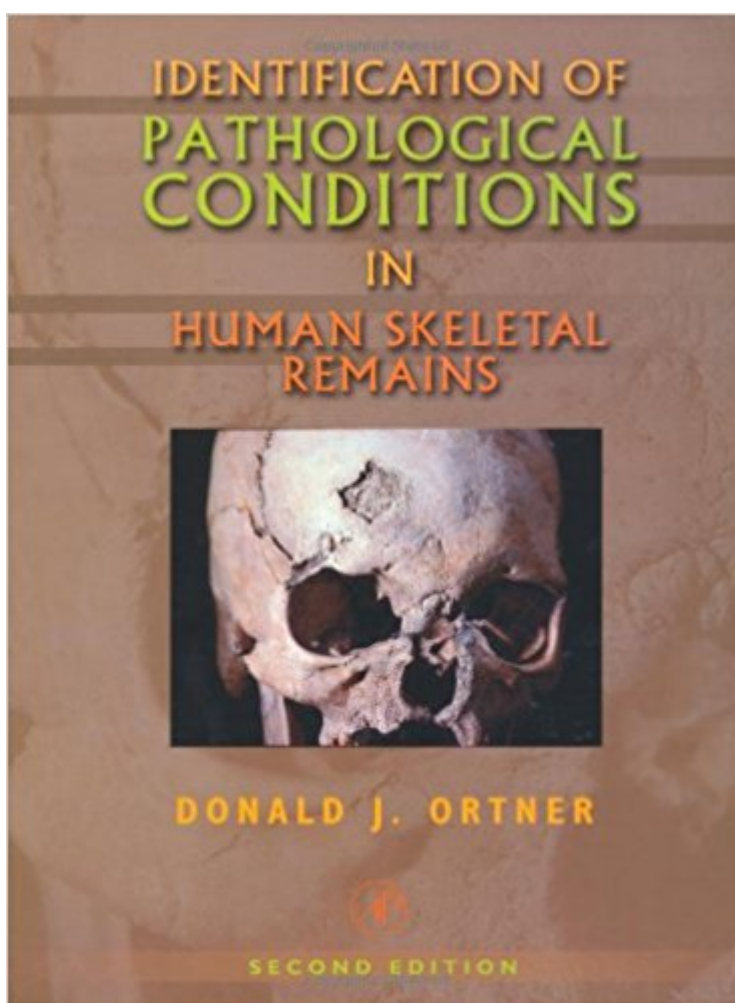


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## Synopsis

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- Review of important theoretical issues in interpreting evidence of skeletal disease in archeological human populations

This book is so in-depth it's worth the buy. Definitely a must-have in any biological anthropologists' library. Don Ortner does an amazing job with explaining everything you could ever need to know when beginning your journey with paleopathology. It's constantly called the paleopathology bible! Definitely recommend.

Interesting reads. Exactly what I needed for my class.

Just received a copy of this book (a second copy for my lab), and the quality of this printing is terrible. The paper used is different (not glossy like previous printings). As a result, the quality of the

photographs is very poor - which is very problematic for a book on paleopathology. I will be returning this book immediately. If you are thinking about purchasing this book, please be aware that the printing may be problematic.

I think that the thing I found most helpful about this book, is that the illustrations show normal articulation and then have the traumatized area together for easier comparisons. This book covers everything from cellular biology to disease pathology and histology. It's worth the money to have this book as a resource in your library.

This book is the Bible of Paleopathology. I have the first edition of this book and it has been indispensable to me since I first bought it years ago. Any serious skeletal biology or human osteology student should own a copy of this book.

Although in general this is a great text on paleopathology, some pictures depict the wrong pathology being described. Hopefully this will be corrected in later editions.

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