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Nota di contenuto	Introduction to bioarchaeology : history to present -- Bone biology and human osteology : basics to understanding osteological research -- Reconstructing activity patterns : making dead people move -- Health and disease : understanding morbidity from the skeleton -- Trauma : accidents, violence and surgery -- Cultural modification : aesthetics of the past -- Diet : foods of past populations -- Biological relationships : who is related to whom -- The future of bioarchaeology : where do we go from here -- Appendix: Skeletal anatomy.
Sommario/riassunto	Bioarchaeology is one of the lesser-known fields of physical anthropology and yet it is one of the most researched topics in physical anthropology. Bioarchaeology, an ever-growing dynamic research field, is the study of human skeletal remains from archaeological sites to aid in reconstructing the biology and culture of past populations. Bioarchaeology has gained in popularity around the world and we have a renaissance of anthropological studies coming from both Western and Eastern Europe. North and South American anthropologists

continue to make significant contributions to the field of bioarchaeology as well. The emphasis is on helping students understand the most current research coming from both the New and Old World published in the top peer-reviewed journals. Additionally, this book provides a brief history of bioarchaeology, a review of bone biology, and helpful introduction and summary sections at the beginning and end of each chapter. To assist students in studying and to provide discussion points, a list of key terms and chapter questions are provided at the end of each chapter. Finally, there are over 40 illustrations, photos, and graphs to help students grasp key concepts throughout the book.

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