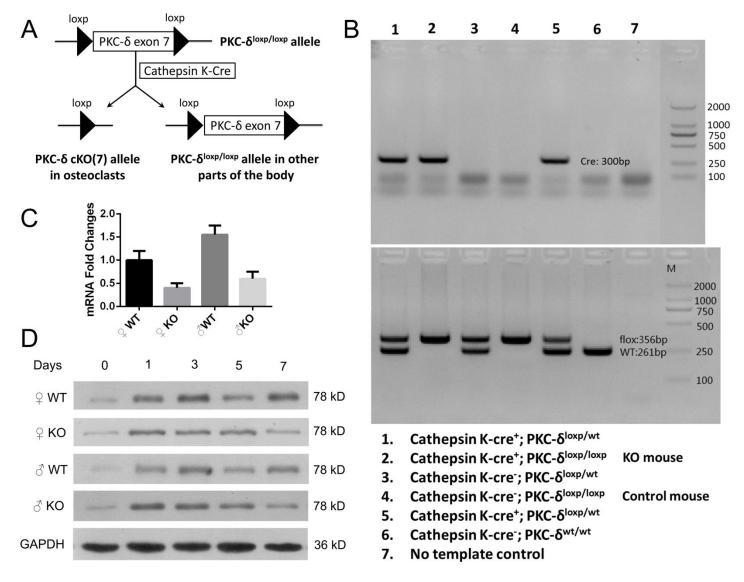
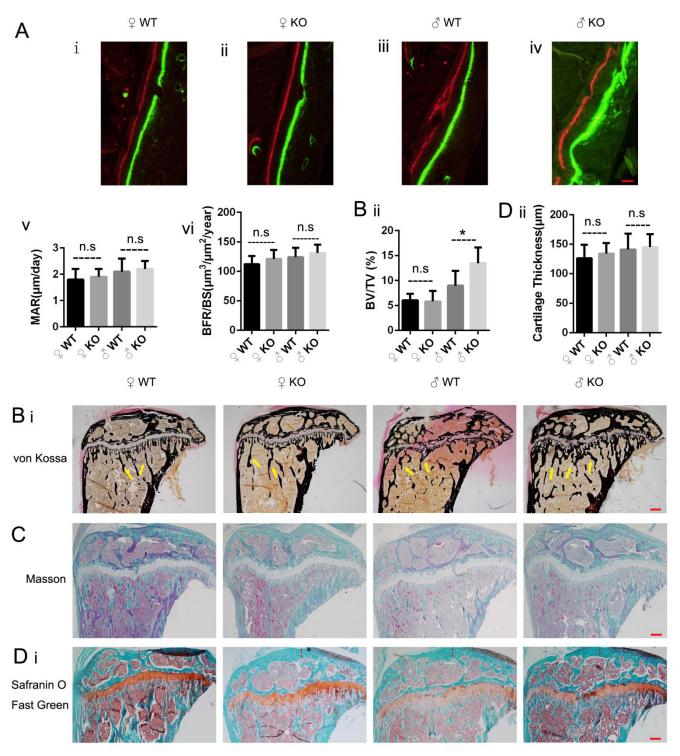
Supplementary Material



Supplementary Fig. 1 Generation and confirmation of Cathepsin-K-driven PKC- δ deletion in osteoclasts in mice. (A) Strategy for inserting flox sites into the mouse PKC- δ gene; (B) PCR analysis of extracted gDNA from tails derived from wide type, PKC- δ cKO and flox control mice. The 300 bp PCR fragment is detected in PKC- δ cKO mice, indicating Cre-mediated excision; (C) Quantitative RT-PCR analysis of PKC- δ mRNA and validation of PKC- δ -targeted mouse osteoclast cKO in BMMs stimulated with RANKL for 5 days of PKC- δ cKO and wide type control mice. Values are expressed as the mean of three independent experiments \pm SD; (D) Western Blot analysis of PKC- δ in BMMs co-culture with RANKL in the indicated days in PKC- δ cKO and wide type control mice, validating efficacy of PKC- δ ablation for floxed allele compared to PKC- δ germline wild-type control.



Supplementary Fig. 2 Bone formation analysis and representative images of bone component analysis from proximal tibia of 12-week-old WT and PKC-δ cKO mice. (A) Representative images of fluorescence double labeling (i-iv) to visualize bone formation and histomorphometric analysis of the mineral apposition rate (MAR, v) and the bone formation rate relative to the bone surface (BFR/BS, vi). n.s. no statistical significance compared with WT control group; (B) Representative images of von

Kossa staining to determine changes of inorganic elements in bone. Arrows indicate the trabecular bone (i) and analysis of trabecular bone volume fraction (BV/TV, %; ii). n.s. no statistical significance, p<0.05 vs. WT control group; (C) Representative images of Masson staining to visualize changes of organic elements in bone; (D) Representative images of safranin O staining to determine articular cartilage and double head red arrows depict the thickness of the articular cartilage (i). Quantitative analysis of cartilage thickness was shown in Dii. Bars represent 50μ m for A and 200μ m for B, C and D respectively.

Supplementary Table 1 Primer sequences used in gDNA PCR and qRT-PCR

Genes	Forward (5'-3')	Reverse (5'-3')	Purpose
РКС-δ	GCCAGCCTTTCTGTGCTGTG	TCCACTCAGGATACATGGTGGG	gDNA PCR
ΡΚС-δ	CAGACCAAGGACCACCTGTT	CGTCCCTGTCTAGCATCACA	qRT-PCR
AR	TGGTAGCTGGTACTTCTAATGC-3	CATAAGGTCCGGAGTAGTTCTC	qRT-PCR
GAPDH	ACCCAGAAGACTGTGGATGG	CACATTGGGGGTAGGAACAC	qRT-PCR

Supplementary Table 2 Antibodies used in Western blotting assay

Names	Company	Catalog Number
Caspase-3	Cell Signaling Technologies	#9665
cleaved Caspase-3	Cell Signaling Technologies	#9664
PARP	Cell Signaling Technologies	#9542
cleaved PARP	Cell Signaling Technologies	#9548
extracellular signal-regulated kinase (ERK)	Cell Signaling Technologies	#4695
p-ERK	Cell Signaling Technologies	#4370
c-Jun amino-terminal kinase (JNK)	Cell Signaling Technologies	#9252
p-JNK	Cell Signaling Technologies	#4668
P-38	Cell Signaling Technologies	#8690
p-P38	Cell Signaling Technologies	#4511
androgen receptor (AR)	Abcam	ab133273
РКС-δ	Abcam	ab182126

ΙκΒ-α	Abcam	ab7217
CTSK	SANTA CRUZ	sc-48353