

Lab 5: Bones and Joints of the Upper Limb

*Identify the bones of the upper limb and their unique bony landmarks/characteristics

*Be able to locate and distinguish between the joints of the upper limb. Learn the type of joint and movements permitted at each joint:

| Bones | Joint | Movement |
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| Sternoclavicular (SC) | Synovial: Plane Joint | 3 degrees of movement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - elevation/depression - protraction/retraction - Axial rotation |
| Acromioclavicular (AC) | Synovial: Gliding or Plane joint | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upward/Downward Rotation about an axis directed perpendicular to the scapular plane facing anteriorly and medially. - Internal/External Rotation about an approximately vertical axis. - Anterior/Posterior tipping or tilting about an axis directed laterally and anteriorly. |
| Glenohumeral (shoulder) | Synovial: ball and socket joint | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Abduction - flexion/extension - Internal & external rotation - Scapular plane abduction - Horizontal adduction |
| Humeroulnar | Synovial: Hinge joint | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flexion - Extension - circumduction |
| Humeroradial | Hinge | |
| Proximal radioulnar | Pivot | -pronation/supination of the forearm |
| Distal radioulnar | Pivot | rotation of the lower end of the radius around an axis which |

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| | | passes through the center of the head of the ulna. When the radius rotates forward, pronation of the forearm and hand is the result; and when backward, supination. |
| Interosseous membrane | Syndesmosis | from pronation to supination |
| Radiocarpal (wrist) | Synovial: condyloid joint | -flexion/extension OR -radial/ulnar deviation motion |
| Intercarpal | Gliding | n/a |
| Midcarpal joint | Gliding | flexion, extension, abduction and adduction of the wrist |
| Carpometacarpal (CMC) | Synovial: saddle joint | The primary motions at the CMC joint are palmar abduction and adduction, which occur about the joint's medial-lateral axis, and flexion and extension, which occur about the joint's anterior-posterior axis. |
| Intermetacarpal (IM) | Condyloid | flexion, extension, abduction, adduction and circumduction at the joint . |
| Metacarpophalangeal (MP) | Condyloid | flexion, extension, adduction, abduction, and circumduction |
| Interphalangeal (IP: proximal and distal) | Hinge | Flexion and extension |

*Examine the location and function of the ligaments connecting the bones of the upper limb:

| Ligaments | Location | Function |
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| Coracoacromial | | - Connects to the scapula's coracoid and acromion processes - Stabilizes the humeral head during overhead movements |
| Sternoclavicular | | Anchors the medial end of the clavicle to the manubrium of the |

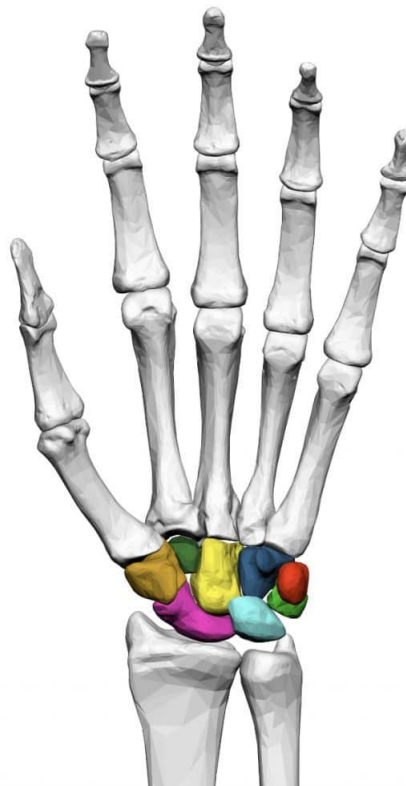
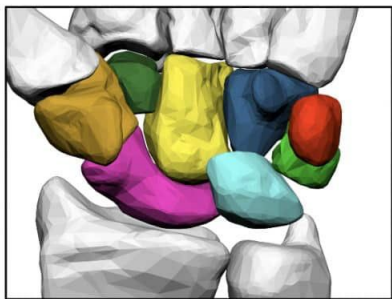
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| | | sternum |
| Acromioclavicular | | The acromioclavicular joint provides the ability to raise the arm above the head. |
| Coracoclavicular (trapezoid & conoid) | | Attach the inferior end of the clavicle to the coracoid process of the scapula |
| Transverse scapular | | This superior transverse scapular ligament converts the scapular notch into a foramen. It is a thin and flat fasciculus, narrower at the middle than at the extremities, attached by one end to the base of the coracoid process, and by the other to the medial end of the scapular notch. |
| Coracohumeral | | Tethers the humeral head to the coracoid process of the scapula, creating tension and stability when the arm is resting at the side |
| Glenohumeral | | Helps hold the proximal humerus in the glenoid fossa of the scapula |
| Collateral ulnar | | The ulnar collateral ligament (UCL) of the elbow is critical for valgus stability of the elbow and is the primary elbow stabilizer |
| Collateral radial | | The radial collateral ligament's role is to limit ulnar deviation at the wrist. |
| Annular of radius | | The annular ligament stabilizes the radial head as it rotates (supination/pronation forearm motion) and articulates with the radial notch of the proximal ulna. |

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| Flexor retinaculum | | The flexor retinaculum forms a retinacular bridge over the carpal tunnel extending from ulnar to radial direction. Its main function is to protect the contained without a significant mechanical action in supporting the transverse carpal arch. |
| Extensor retinaculum | back of the forearm & in ankle | holds the tendons of the extensor muscles in place |

*Learn the locations of all the carpal bones relative to each other (SLTPPTCH; scaphoid, lunate, triquetrum, pisiform, trapezium, trapezoid, capitate, hamate)

Carpal Bones

- Scaphoid
- Trapezium
- Lunate
- Trapezoid
- Triquetrum
- Capitate
- Pisiform
- Hamate



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