Upper limb Lecture one



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What is the limb?

• Limb: a leg or arm of a human being

The upper limb is a multijointed lever that is freely movable on the trunk at the shoulder joint. At the distal end of the upper limb is the important organ, the hand.



Scapula:

- □ flat bone
- □ inverted triangle
- □ 3 borders
- ✓ Superior border
- ✓ medial border
- ✓ lateral border
- □ 3 angles
- \checkmark superiomedial angle
- ✓ Superiolateral angle
- ✓ Inferior angle
- 3 Fossae
- \checkmark supraspinous fossa
- ✓ infraspinous fossa
- ✓ Subscapular fossa
- 3 processes
- ✓ spine
- ✓Acromion
- \checkmark coracoid
- □2 surfaces
- \checkmark anterior
- ✓ posterior



 □ The superior border has a Suprascapular notch
 □ the lateral border has the glenoid cavity
 > above the cavity -> supraglenoid tubercle
 > below it→ infra-glenoid tubercle





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Clavicle

The clavicle is the only long bone that lies in a horizontal position in the body

□ The clavicle has three regions:

 ✓ the medial end: sternal end of the clavicle the lateral end: acromial end of the clavicle→It also serves as an attachment point for two ligaments:
 Conoid tubercle – attachment point of the conoid ligament, the medial part of the coracoclavicular ligament.
 Trapezoid line – attachment point of the trapezoid ligament, the lateral part of the coracoclavicular ligament.



The **humerus** is the longest bone of the arm and is characterized by many distinct features that help to allow the upper extremity to move through a significant range of motion



- ✤ The following landmarks are found on the humerus:
- Head. A ball-shaped structure that articulates with the glenoid cavity.

■ Anatomical neck. Formed by a narrow constriction immediately distal to the head of the humerus.

Surgical neck. Lies distal to the anatomical neck and tubercles of the humerus.

The axillary nerve and the posterior humeral circumflex artery course into the posterior compartment of the arm, deep to the surgical neck.

Greater and lesser tubercles. Enlarged areas for muscle attachments.

Intertubercular (bicipital) groove. A deep sulcus between the greater and lesser tubercles, where the long head of the biceps brachii tendon courses enroute to the supraglenoid tubercle.



- Radial (spiral) groove. A distinct groove on the posterior surface of the humerus, where the radial nerve and the deep
- brachial artery course.
- Deltoid tuberosity. A large Vshaped protrusion on the lateral surface of the humerus, midway along its length where the deltoid muscle attaches.
- Lateral epicondyle. Located on the distal lateral end of the humerus and provides an attachment surface for the posterior

forearm muscles (extensors).



Medial epicondyle. Located on the distal medial end of the humerus and provides an attachment surface for the anterior forearm muscles (flexors).
 Trochlea. Characterized by a pulley shape; it helps to guide the hinge joint. The trochlea of the humerus articulates with the trochlear notch of the ulna.



 Capitulum. Characterized by its oval, convex shape for articulation with the radial head.
 Coronoid fossa. Located on the distal anterior surface of the humerus, where the coronoid process of the ulna articulates.
 Olecranon fossa. Located on the distal posterior surface of the humerus, where the olecranon process of the ulna articulates.





THE FOREARM

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The forearm (antebrachium) :

consists of TWO BONES: the radius and ulna.

Proximally, the forearm articulates with the humerus through the elbow complex (humeroulnar and humeroradial joints).
Distally, the forearm articulates with the carpal bones through the wrist complex, enabling a wide array of actions.
The muscles of the forearm that act upon the elbow, wrist complex, and the digital

joints

Muscles are organized into two fascial compartments, similar to those of the arm muscles..



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ULNA FEATURES

- Long Bone
 A looks like a wrench مفتاح انجليزي
 It lies medially and parallel to the radius
 The proximal end
 ✓ Olecranon
 ✓ Coronoid process
 ✓ Trochlear notch
- ✓ Radial notch Tuberosity of ulna





Shaft of the Ulna
As it moves distally, it decreases in width.
HAS THREE SURFACES:
Anterior
Posterior
Medial
HAS THREE BORDERS:
Posterior – palpable along the entire length of the forearm posteriorly
Interosseous
Anterior

Distal end

◆The distal end of the ulna is much smaller in diameter than the proximal end.
◆ It is mostly unremarkable, terminating in
✓ rounded HEAD,

 \checkmark the ulnar **styloid process**.



The **radius**

- Long bone
- It lies laterally and parallel to ulna.
- Proximal end of the Radius
- ✓ head,
- **√neck**
- ✓ radial tuberosity (bicipital tuberosity)

Shaft of the Radius

- The radial shaft EXPANDS in diameter as it moves distally.
- Much like the ulna, it has three borders and three surfaces.

The Distal End

The lateral side projects distally as the styloid process.

✤ ulnar notch

- The distal surface of the radius has two facets, for articulation with the scaphoid and lunate carpal bones.
- This makes up the wrist joint.



The Bony Structure of The Hand *8 carpal bones

Proximal row:

Scaphoid

Lunate

Triquetrum Pisiform

Distal row:

Trapezium

Trapezoid

Capitate

Hamate

✤ 5 Metacarpals

✤14 phalanges

