

Joints of the upper extremity

JOINTS OF THE UPPER EXTREMITY

Joints of girdle bones:

scapula + clavicle – art. acromioclavicularis

clavicle + sternum – art. sternoclavicularis

Joints of bones of free upper extremity:

humerus + scapula – art. humeri

humerus + radius + ulna – art. cubiti

radius + ulna – membrana interossea antebrachii
– art. radioulnaris distalis

radius + carpal bones – art. radiocarpea

carpal bones between themselves – art. mediocarpea

carpal + metacarpal bones – art. carpometacarpea

metacarpal bones + proximal phalanges – art.

metacarpophalangea

phalanges between themselves – art. interphalangea manus

Joints of girdle bones

I. Articulatio sternoclavicularis

Type: composed joint- discus articularis is inserted

Type of joint: spherical joint (is bound to movements of scapula)

Articular head: facies articularis sternalis claviculae

articular pit: incisura clavicularis manubrii sterni

articular capsule: tough, short

Ligaments:

lig. sternoclaviculare anterius

lig. sternoclaviculare posterius

lig. interclaviculare

lig. costoclaviculare

Movements: in all directions but in a small range

II. Articulatio acromioclavicularis

Type: spherical joint, sometimes discus articularis is inserted

articular surfaces: facies art. acromialis (clavicula) + facies art. acromii

articular capsule: tough, short

Ligaments:

lig. acromioclaviculare

lig. coracoclaviculare

lig. trapezoideum

lig. conoideum

lig. coracoacromiale - fornix humeri

lig. transversum scapulae

Movements: restricted

Syndesmoses:

lig. transversum scapulae

lig. coracoacromiale- fornix humeri

Movements of scapula:

Retraction

Protraction

Elevation

Depression

Rotation

Joints of bones of free upper extremity

Articulario humeri (shoulder joint)

Type: spherical, free

articular head: caput humeri

articular pit: cavitas glenoidalis , enlarged by labrum
glenoidale

articular capsule: collum anatomicum humeri

On the ventral side of the capsule, there appears the tendon of long head of biceps.

Ligaments:

lig. coracohumerale

ligg. glenohumeralia

lig. coracoacromiale

Bursa subacromialis, subcoracoidea, subdeltoidaea

movements: flexion and extension

abduction (from horizontal line only together with movement of scapula)

adduction

rotation- supination, pronation

Articulatio cubiti (elbow joint)

Type: composed joint

Articulatio humeroulnaris

Type: trochlear joint

articular head: trochlea humeri

Articular pit: incisura trochlearis ulnae

Articulatio humeroradialis

Type: spherical joint

articular head : capitulum humeri

Articular pit : fovea articularis radii

Articulatio radioulnaris proximalis

Type: wheel joint

articular head : circumferentia articularis radii

Articular pit : incisura radialis ulnae

Articular capsule: it covers all three articulations

It is attached to the margins of articular surfaces, on radius reaches to collum- recessus sacciformis

Ligaments:

lig. collaterale radiale

lig. collaterale ulnare

lig. obliquum

lig. anulare radii

Movements: flexion,extension

Art. radioulnaris proximalis together with art. radioulnaris distalis - pronation, supination

Syndesmosis radioulnaris

membrana interossea antebrachii

**Fibrous membrane which is stretched between
margo interosseus radii
and margo interosseus ulnae**

chorda obliqua

Articulatio radioulnaris distalis

Type: wheel joint

Articular head: caput ulnae

Articular pit: incisura ulnaris radii

Articular capsule: free, it allows rotation
of radius around caput ulnae

movements: together with rotation in
art. radioulnaris proximalis
supination and pronation

pronatio dolorosa – common injury in childhood–
Radial head subluxation, the head falls out from lig.
anulare radii through a stroke in pronation

Joints of the hand Articulationes manus

ARTICULATIO RADIOCARPALIS

Between radius and carpal bones

ARTICULATIO MEDIOCARPALIS

between proximal and distal row of carpal bones

ARTICULATIONES INTERCARPALES

between single carpal bones

ARTICULATIONES CARPOMETACARPALES

between distal row of carpal bones and metacarpal bones

ARTICULATIONES INTERMETACARPALES

between bases of neighbouring metacarpal bones

ARTICULATIONES METACARPOPHALANGEALES

heads of metacarpal bones with proximal phalanges

ARTICULATIONES INTERPHALANGEALES

Between phalanges

retinaculum musculorum flexorum

(lig. carpi transversum)

between eminentia carpi radialis et ulnaris -> canalis carpi

Articulatio radiocarpalis

Type: composed, elipsoidal

articular head: os scaphoideum, os lunatum, os triquetrum

articular head: facies articularis carpalis radii, discus articularis

articular capsule: tough and short

Ligaments: are common with articulatio mediocarpalis

*movements: functional unit with mediocarpal, intercarpal and
carpometacarpal joints*

palmar and dorsal flexion

radial and ulnar duktion

cirkumduction

Articulatio mediocarpalis

Type: **elipsoidal, composed,**

articular head on ulnar side: os hamatum, os capitatum

articular head on radial side : os scaphoideum

*articular pit on ulnar side : os scaphoideum, os lunatum,
os triquetrum*

articular pit on radial side : os trapezium, os trapezoideum

articular capsule : tough and short

Ligaments:

lig. intercarpea dors., ventr., interossea

lig. radiocarpale palmarum et dorsale

lig. ulnocarpale palmarum et dorsale

lig. carpi radiatum

lig. collaterale carpi radiale et ulnare

*movements: functional unit with mediocarpal, intercarpal
and carpometacarpal joints*

**palmar and dorsal flexion,
radial and ulnar duction, cirkumduction**

Articulatio ossis pisiformis: tough joint between os pisiforme
and os triquetrum - amfiarthrosis
lig. pisohamatum
lig. pisometacarpeum
(both are continuation of tendon of m. flexor carpi ulnaris)

Articulationes intercarpales

- **Connections between the single carpal bones**

ligg. intercapalia dorsalia

ligg. intercarpalia palmaria

ligg. intercarpalis interossea

Articulationes carpometacarpales II.-V.

Type: composed joint, amphiarthrosis

articular surfaces: basis of 2nd metacarpal bone - os trapezium, os trapezoideum a os capitatum

basis of 3rd metacarpal bone - os capitatum

bases of 4th and 5th metacarpal bone - os hamatum

Bases of metacarpal none between themselves

articular capsules: tough, short

Ligaments:

ligg. carpometacarpea dorsalia

ligg. carpometacarpea palmaria

ligg. carpometacarpea interossea

ligg. metacarpea palm., dors., interossea

movements: minimal

Articulatio carpometacarpalis pollicis

Type: **sellar joint**

articular head: basis ossis metacarpale I

articular pit: os trapezium

articular capsule: free

*movements: abduction, adduction
oposition, reposition*

Articulationes intermetacarpales

Ligg.intermetacarpalia

Art. metacarpophalangeales

Type: intermediate between cylindroidal and spherical joint

articular head: caput ossis metacarpalis

articular pit: basis phalangis

articular capsule: free

Ligaments:

ligg. collateralia

fibrocartilago palmaris

lig. metacarpale transversum profundum

movements: flexion and extension

abduction and adduction- only in straightened finger

Articulationes interphalangeales

Type: **trochlear**

articular head: caput (trochlea) phalangis

articular pit: basis phalangis

articular capsule: free

Ligaments:

ligg. collateralia

fibrocartilagines palmares

movements: flexion and extension

Thank you for your attention!

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