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...The Acromioclavicular Joint...

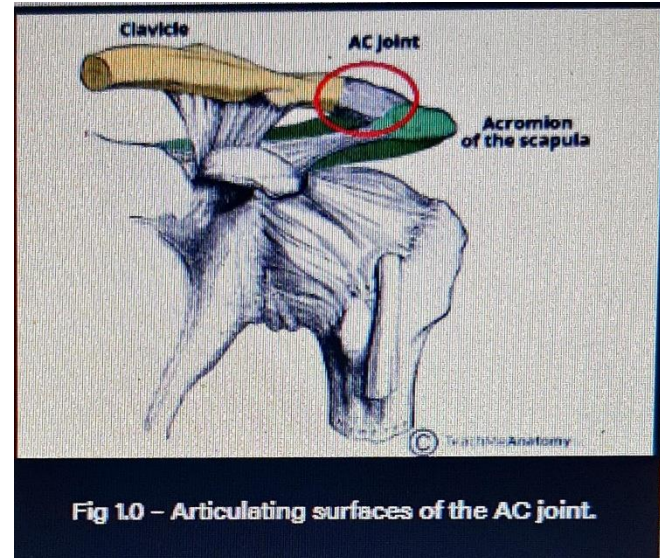
- *The acromioclavicular joint is plane type synovial joint .it is located where the lateral end of the clavicle articulate with the acromion of the*

scapula the joint can be palpated during a shoulder examination; 2-3cm medially from the 'tip' of the shoulder (formed by the end of the acromion)

- *In this article we shall look at the anatomy of the acromioclavicular joint -its articulation ,ligaments, neurovascular supply ,and any clinical correlations.*

Structures of the acromioclavicular joint

.. Articulating surfaces.



- *The acromioclavicular joint consists of an articulation between the lateral end of the clavical wnd the acromion of the scapula.its has two atypical features;*
- *The articular surfaces of the joint are the lined with **Fibrocartilage** .(as opposed to hyaline cartilages)*

- *The joint cavity is partially divided by an **articular disc** -a wedge of fibrocartilage suspended from the upper part of the capsule.*

...Joint capsule

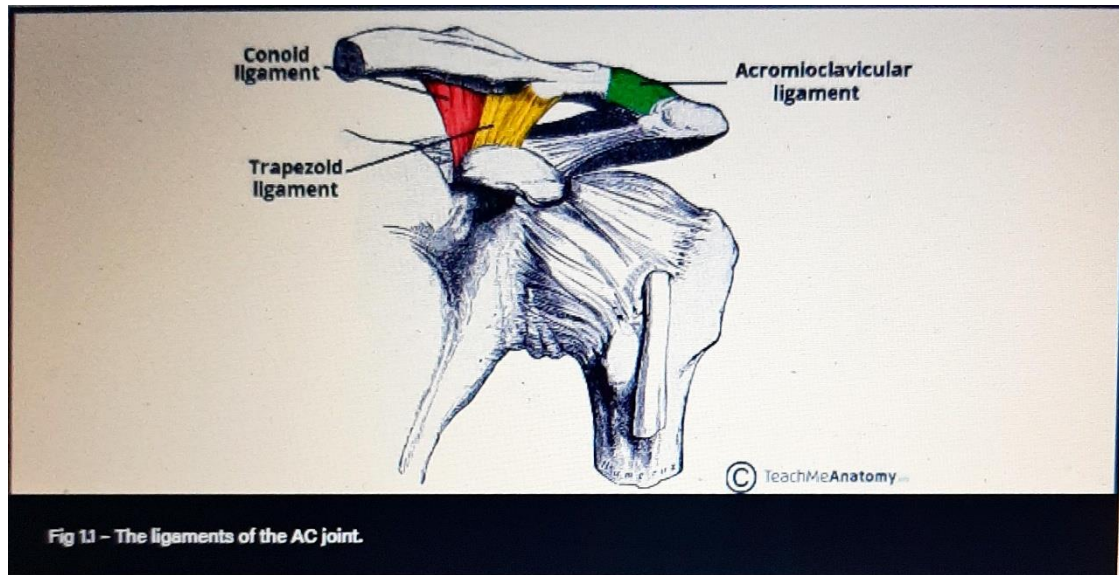
- *The joint consists of a loose **fibrous** layer which enclose the two articular surfaces. Its also gives rise to the **articular disc**. The posterior aspect of the joint capsule is reinforced by fibres from the trapezius muscle.*
- *As would be expected of a synovial joint ,joint capsule is lined internally by a **synovial membrane** .this secretes synovial fluid into the cavity of the joint.*

...Ligaments ...

- *There are three main ligaments that strengthen the acromioclavicular joint. They can be divided into intrinsic and extrinsic ligaments:*
- ***Intrinsic;***
- *acromioclavicular ligament -runs horizontally from the acromion to the lateral clavical .its covers the joint capsule , reinforcing its superior aspect.*
- ***Extrinsic:***
- *Conoid ligament – runs vertically from the coracoid process of the*

scapula to the conoid tubercle of the clavicle

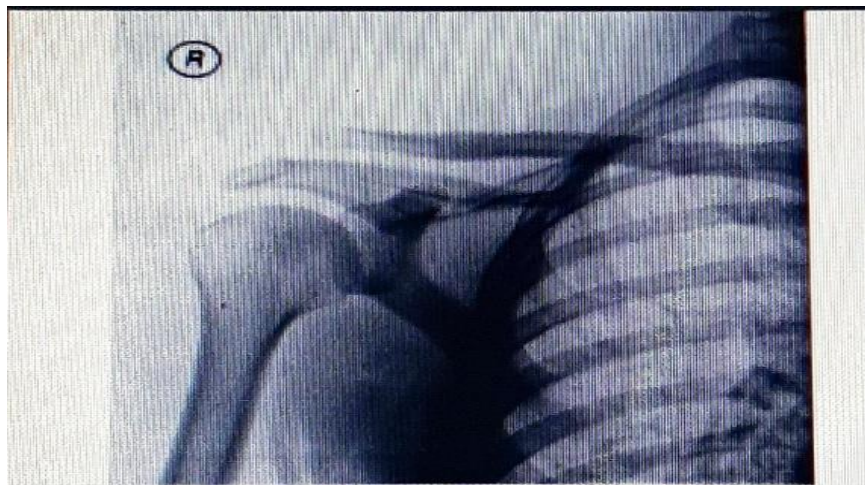
- *Trapezoid ligament - runs from the coracoid process of the scapula to the trapezoid line of the clavicle.*
- *Collectively, the conoid and trapezoid ligament are known as the **coracoclavicular ligament**. It is a very strong structure, effectively suspending the weight of the upper limb from the clavicle.*



CLINICAL RELEVANCE—

- **ACROMIOCLAVICULAR DISLOCATION.**
- *Acromioclavicular joint dislocation (also known as a separated shoulder) occurs when the two articulating surfaces of the joint are separated. It is associated with joint soft tissue damage.*

- *It commonly occurs from a direct blow to the joint ,or a fall an outstrtched hand .*
- *tHe injury is more serious if ligamental rupture occure (acromioclavicular or coracoclavicular)...if the coracoclavicular ligament is torn , weight of the upper limb is not*



supported ,and the shoulder moves inferiorly .this increases the prominece of the clivical.

- *Management of Ac joint dislocation is dependent on injury severity and impact on of life .the treatment option range from ice and rest to **ligament reconstructiin surgery.***
- **NOTE..:***this injury is not be confuised with shoulder dislocation – an injury affecting the glenohumeral joint ...*

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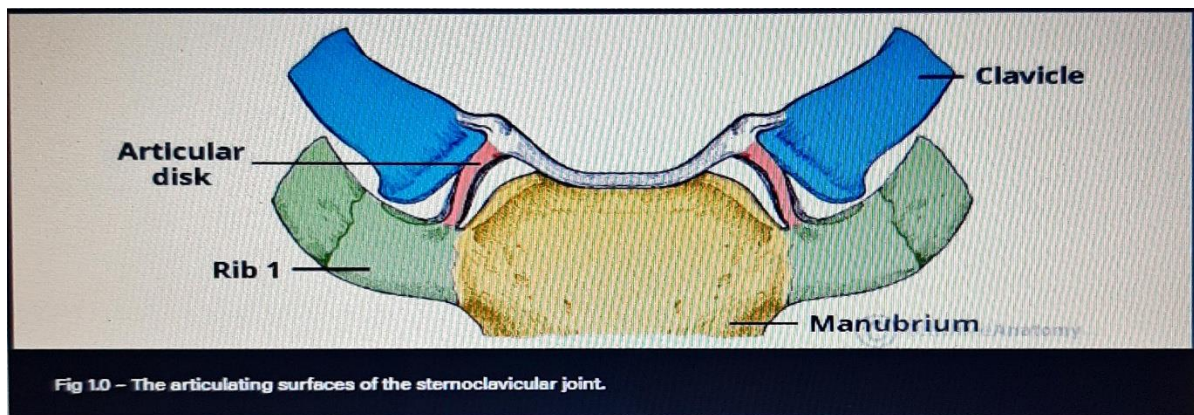
The sternoclavicular joint..

- *the sternoclavicular joint is a synovial joint between the **clavical** and the manubrium of the **sternum**.*
- *Its the noly attachment of the **uppper limb** to the axial skeleton. despite its strength its a very mobile joint and can function more like a ball-and-socket type joint.*
- *In this artical we will look at the anatomy of the **sternoclvicular joint**.- the joint sturture ,neurovascular supply, and its clinical consedration.*

JOINT STRUSTURE .

- **Articulating Surfaces.**
- *the sternoclavicular joint consists of the **sternal end** of the clavical ,the manubrium of the sternum, and part*

*the 1st costal cartilage .the articulate surfaces are covered with **fibrocartilage** (as opposed to hyaline cartilage ,present inthe majority of the synovial joint)the joint is separated into two compartment by a **fibrocartilleginous articualte disc.***



Joint capsule ...

- *The joint cpsule consists of a fibrous outer layer and inner synovial*

*memberne .the fibrous layer extend from the epiphysis of the sternal end of the clavical ,to the borders of the articulate surfaces and the articualte disc.A **synovial membrane** lines the inner aurface and produces synovial fluid to reduce to reduce friction between the articulateing structures.*

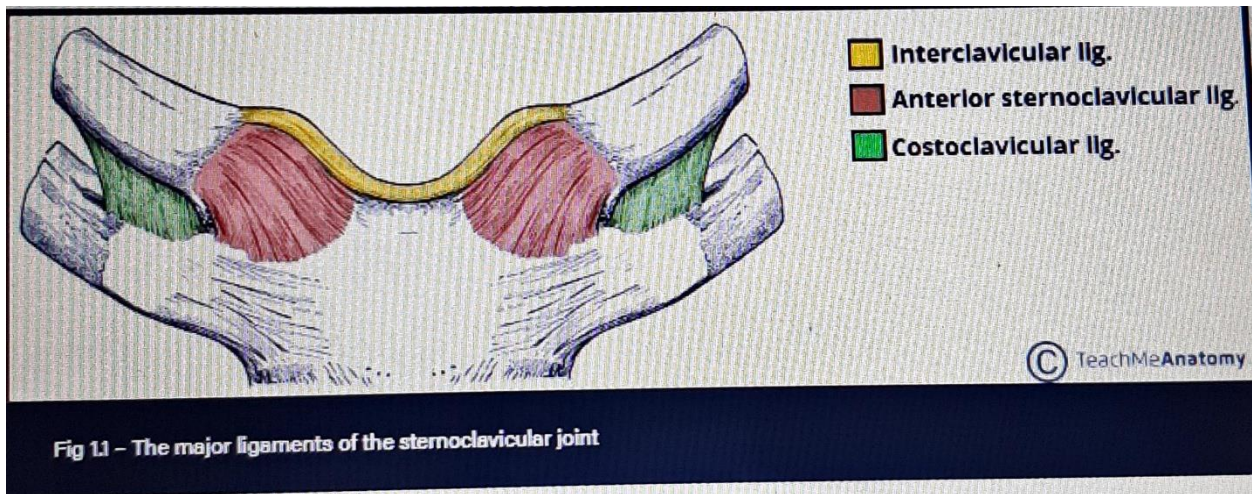
- **Ligaments.**

- *The ligament of the of the sternoclavicular joint provide much of its stabillity.there are four major ligament.*

- **Sternoclvicular ligament.**-(anterior and posterior)-these strength the joint capsule **anteriorly and posteriorly .**

- **Interclavicular ligament**..this spans the gap between the sternal ends of each clavical and reinforces the joint capsule **superiorly**.
- **cOsteoclavicular ligament** ..-two parts of this ligament (often separated by a bursa) bind at the **1st rib and cartilage** inferiorly and to the anterior and posterior border of the **calvicale** superiorly .it is a very strong ligament and is the main stabilising force for the joint ,resisting elevation of the pectoral girdle.

- *The sternoclavicular and interclavicular ligaments can be considered to be thickenings of the joint capsule ..*



- **Movements..**
- *The sternoclavicular joint has a large degree of mobility. there are several movements that require joint involvement.*

- **Elevation**.of the shoulder -shrugging the shoulders or abducting the arm over 90°
- **Depression**..of the shoulder -dropping shoulder or extending the arm at the shoulder behainde the body.
- **Protrection** of the shoulder -moving the shoulder gridle anteriorly
- **Retraction**.of the shoulder -moving the shoulder gridle posteriorly
- **Rotation**—when the arm is raised over the head by flexion the clavical rotates passively as the scapula rotates .this is tranmitted to the clavical by the **coracoclavicular ligaments**.

- *The costoclavicular ligament acts a pivot for movements of the clavicle .you can feel this if u palpate the sternal end of your clavicle and shrug your shoulders.you should feel the end moving inferiorly.*

Mobility and stability ..

The sternoclavicular joint is required to accommodate the movements of the upper limb, and thus a high degree of mobility. However, it also requires much stability, as it is the only connection between the upper limb and axial skeleton and its stability .

Mobility.

Type of joint -being a saddle joint it can move in two axes .

Articular disc -this allows the clavical and the manubrium to slide over each other more freely ,allowing for the rotaion and movement in a third axis.

Stability.

- Strong joint capsule
- Strong ligament- particualry the costoclavicular ligament, which transfers stress from the clavicald to the manubrium (via the costal cortilage.

- **CLINICAL RELVENCE :**

- ***Dislocation of the sternoclavicular joint.***
- *A dislocation of the sternoclavicular joint is quite rare and requires significant force. The costoclavicular ligament and the articular disc are highly effective at absorbing and transmitting forces away from the joint into the sternum.*

There are two major types of dislocation.

- ***Anterior dislocations*** are the most common and can happen following a blow to the anterior shoulder which rotates the shoulder backward.

- **Posterior dislocation** normally result from a force driving the shoulder forwards or from direct impact to the joint .

In younger people ,the epiphyses/ growth plate of the sternal end of the clavical has not fully closed .in this population ,the dislocation is usually accompaniend by a fracture through the palte.

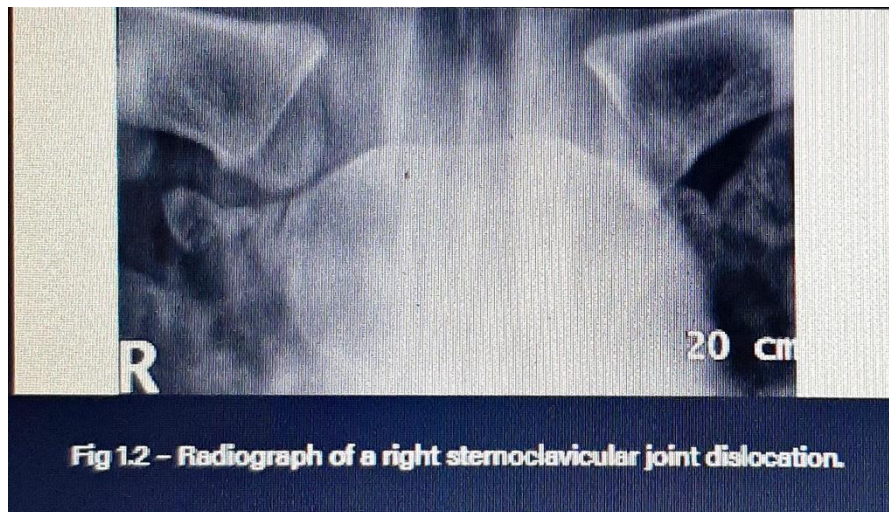


Fig 1.2 - Radiograph of a right sternoclavicular joint dislocation.

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THE SHOULDER JOINT.

- *The shoulder joint (glenohumeral joint is ball and socket joint between the **scapula** and the **humerus**.it is the major joint connecting the upper limb to the trunk.*
- *It is one of the most mobile joint in the human body ,at the cost of joint stability .in this artical .we shall look at the anatomy of the shoulder joint and its important clinical correlation.*
 - **STRUCTURES OF THE SHOULDER JOINT.**
 - **Articulating surfaces..**

- *The shoulder joint is formed by the articulation of the **head** of the humerus with the **glenoid cavity** (or fossa) of the scapula .this gives rise to the alternate name for the shoulder joint -the glenohumeral joint .*
- *Like most synovial joint the articulating surface are covered with **hyaline cartilage** .the head of the humerus is much larger than the glenoid fossa, fossa give the joint a wide range of the movement at the cost of inherent instability. to reduce the disproportion in surface, the glenoid fossa is deepened by a*

*fibrocartilage rim called the
glenoid labrum*

Joint capsule and bursae..

- *the **joint capsule** is a fibrous sheath which enclose the structure of the joint .*
- *It extends from the **anatomical neck** of the humrus to the border or 'rim' of the glenoid fossa . The joint capsule is lax, permitting greater mobility (particularly abduction.)*
- *The **synovial membrane** line the innersurface of the joint capsule and produce synovial*

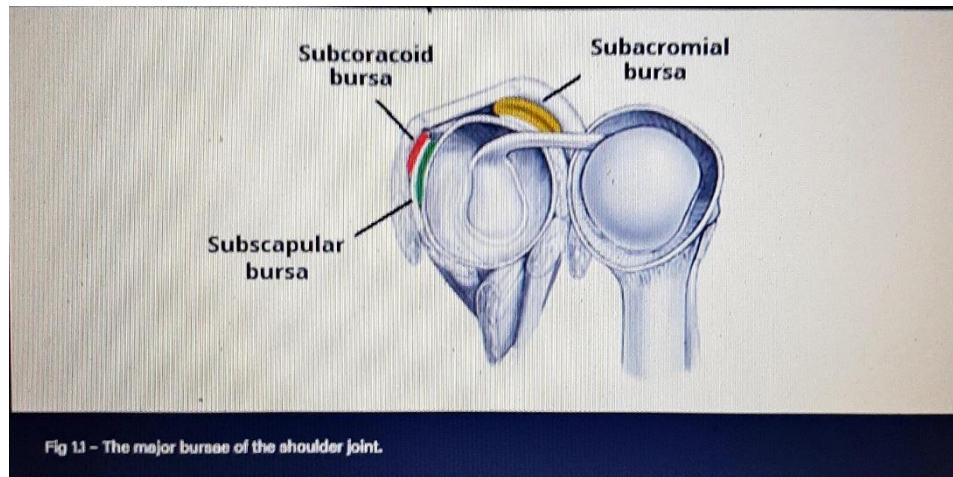
fluid to reduce friction between the articular surfaces.

- *to reduce friction in the shoulder joint several **synovial bursae** are present. a bursa is a synovial fluid filled sac which acts as a cushion between tendons and the other joint structure.*
- *The bursae that are important clinically are*
- ***Subacromial** -located deep to the deltoid and acromion, and superficial to the supraspinatus tendon and joint capsule the sub acromial bursa reduces friction beneath the*

deltoid and, promoting free motion of the rotator cuff tendon ,subacromial bursitis(i.e inflammation of the bursa)can be A cause of the shoulder pain.

- ***Subcapular*** -located between the subscapularis tendon and the acromion.it reduces wear and tear on the tendon during movement at the shoulder joint.

- *There are other minor bursae present between the tendons of the muscles of the around the joint but this beyond the scope of this article..*

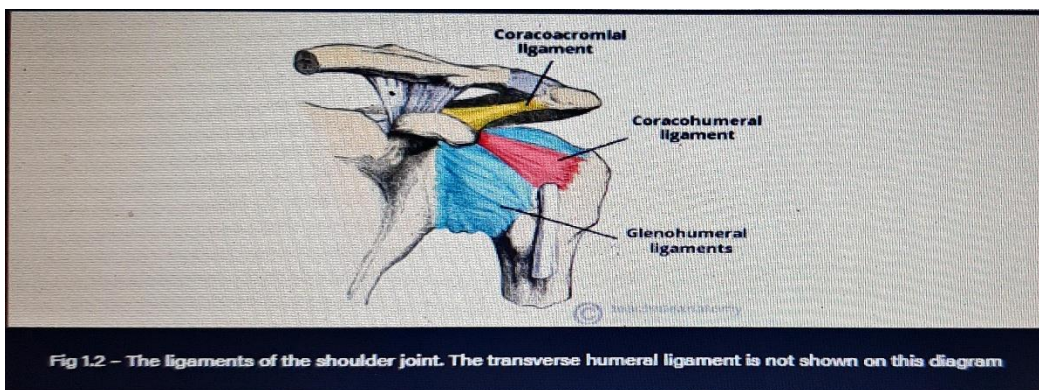


Ligaments..

- *In the shoulder joint the ligament play a key role in stabilising the bony structures.*

- **Glenohumeral ligaments..** *(superior, middle, and inferior) -the joint capsule is formed by this group of ligament connecting the humerus to the glenoid fossa .they are the main source of the stability for the shoulder ,holding it in place and preventing it from dislocation anteriorly.they act to stabilise the anterior aspect of the joint.

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Coracohumeral ligament.—attaches the base of the coracoid process to the greater tubercle of the humerus .it supports the superior part of the joint capsule.

Transverse humeral ligament.—spans the distance between the two tubercles of the humerus .it holds the tendon of the long of the biceps in the intertubercular groove.;;

Coraco-clavicular ligament.—composed of the trapezoid and the conoid ligament and runs from the clavicle to the coracoid process of the scapula. They work alongside the acromioclavicular ligament to maintain the alignment of the clavicle in relation

to the scapula .they have significant strength but large forces .(eg .after a high energy fall) can rupture these ligament as part of on an acromioclavicular joint (ACJ) injury .in severe ACJ, the coraco-clavicular ligament may require surgical repair .

- The other major ligament is the **coracoacromial ligament** .running between the acromion and coracoid process of the scapula it forms the **coraco-ligament arch**. This structure overlies the shoulder joint , preventing superior displacement of the humeral head.

Movements..

*As a ball and socket synovial joint ,
there is a wide range of the
movement permitted :*

- ***Flexion (upper limb forward in sagittal plane .)***-pectoralis major ,anterior anterior deltoid and coracobrachialis.biceps brachii weakly assists in forward the flexion.
- ***Extension (upper limb backwards in sagittal plane)*** -posterior deltoid , latissimus dorsi and teres major .
- ***Abduction (upper limb away from midline in coronal plane):***
- *The first 0—15 degree of the abduction is produced by the supraspinatus.*

- *The middle fibres of the deltoid are responsible for the next 15—90 degrees.*
- *Past 90 degrees the scapula need to be rotated to achieve abduction -that is carried out by the trapezioid and serratus anterior ..*
- ***Abduction (upper limb midline in coronal plane)-pectoralis major latissimus dorsi and teres major***
- ***Internal rotation (rotation toward the midline ,so that the thumb is pointing medially.)—subscapularis ,pectoralis major latissimus dorsi, teres and anterior deltoid.***
- ***External rotation(rotation away from the midline so that the thumb is***

pointing laterally)-infraspinatus and teres minor.

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THE ELBOW JOINT...

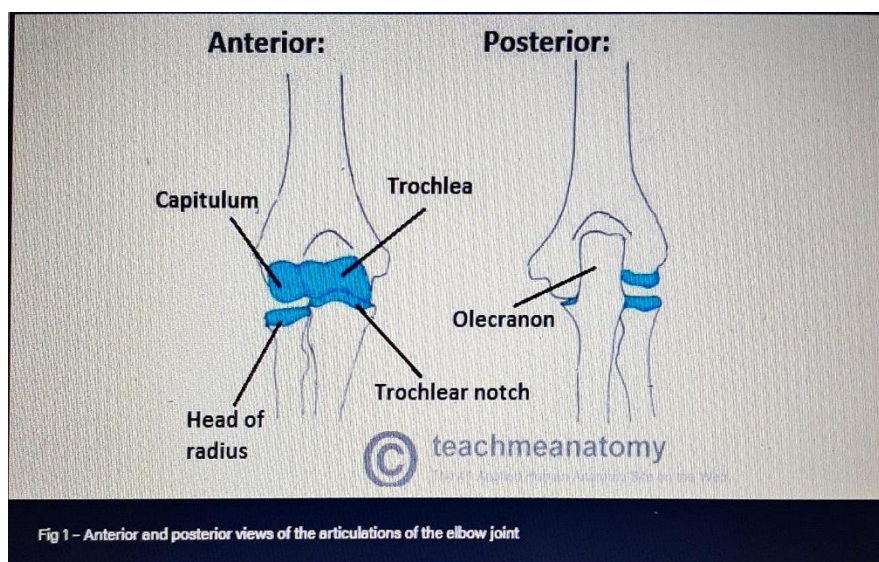
- The elbow is the joint connecting the upper arm to the forearm. it is classed as a hinge-type synovial joint .
- In this article we shall look at the anatomy of the elbow joint ;its articulating surface movements stability ,and the clinical relevance.
- **STRUCTURE of the elbow joint**
- .Articulating surface..
- It consists of the two separate articulations.

- *Trochlear notch of the **ulna** and the teochlea of the **humerus**.*
- *Head of the **radius** and the capitulum of the **humerus**.*

Note.

- *The **proximal radioulnar joint** is found within same joint capsule of the elbow , but most resources consider it as a separate articulation*

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Joint capsule and bursae..

- *Like all synovial joint ,the elbow has a capsule enclosing the joint .this in itself is strong and fibrous , strngthening the joint . The joint capsule is thickened medially and latearly to form collateral ligaments.which stabilis the flexing and extending motion of the arm.*
- *A bursa is a membranous sac filled with synovial fluid .it acts as a cushion to reduce friction between the moving parts of a joint ,limiting degeneration damage .there are many bursae in the elbow but only a few have clinical importance.*

- **Intratendinous** --located within the tendon of the triceps brachii.
- **Subtendinous** –between the olecranon and the tendon of the triceps brachii, reducing friction between the two structures during extension and flexion of the arm .
- **Subcutaneous..(olecranon)bursa.**— between the olecranon and the overlying connective tissue (implicated in olecranon bursitis.)

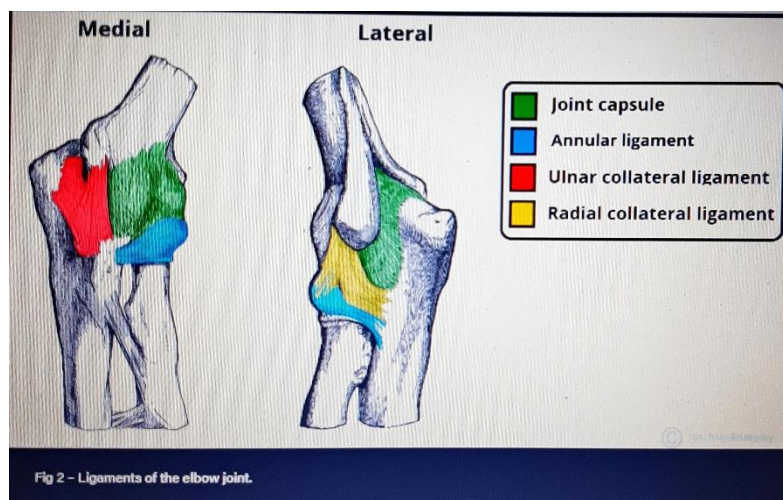
Ligaments.

- **The** joint capsule of the elbow is strengthened by ligaments medially and laterally.
- The **radial collateral** ligament is found on the lateral side of the joint extending

*from the **lateral epicondyle** ,and blending with the annular ligament of the radius (a ligament from the proxiamal radioulanlar joint..)*

- *The **unla collateral** ligament originate from the **medial epicondyle** and attaches to the coronoid process and olecranon of the ulna.*

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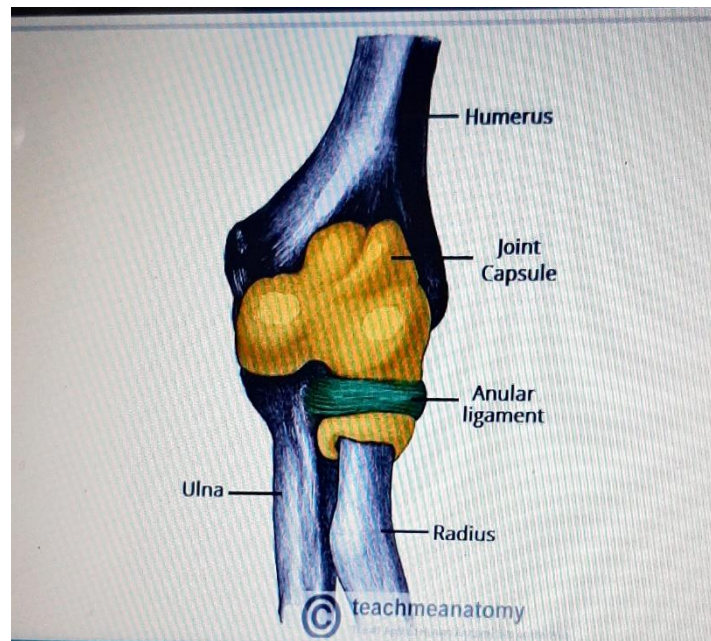


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..The radioulnar joints...

- the radioulnar joints are two locations in which the **radius** and **ulna** articulate in the forearm .
- **Proximal radioulnar joint** – located near the **wrist**. It is an articulation between the head of the radius and the radial notch of the ulna.
- **Distal radioulnar joint** .—located near the **wrist**.it is an articulation between the ulnar notch of the **radius** and the ulnar head .
- **Both** of these joint are classified as pivot joint, responsible for **pronation**. And **supination**.of the forearm.

- *In this article, we shall look the anatomy and clinical correlation of these joints.*
- **DAIGRAM...**

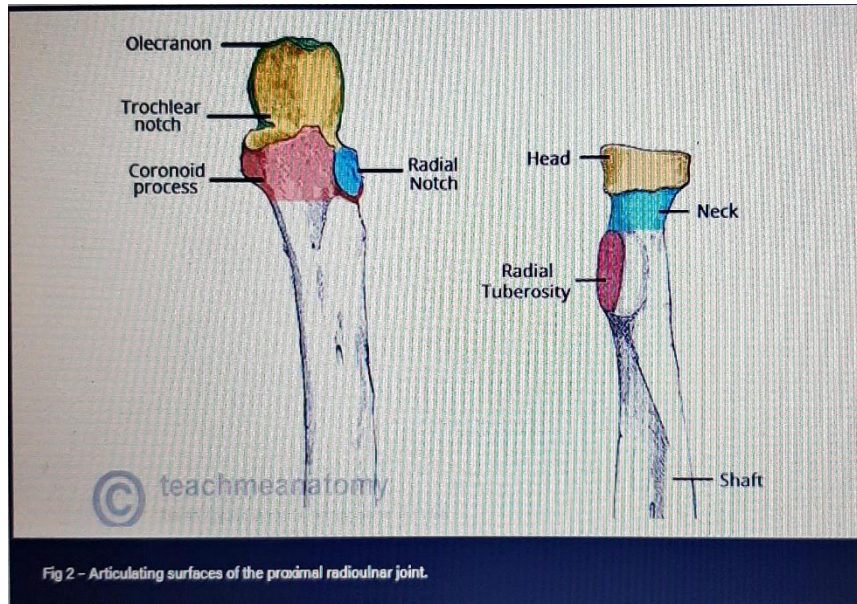


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- **PROXIMAL RADIOULNAR JOINT.**
- *The proximal radioulnar joint is located is immediately distal to the **elbow joint** and is enclosed with in the same **articulate capsule** .it is*

formed by an articulation between the head of the radius and the notch of the ulna .

- *The radial head is held in place by the **annular radial ligament** ,which form a 'collar' around the joint .the annular radial ligament is lined with a synovial membrane reducing friction during movement .*
- *mOvement is produced by the head head of the radius rotation within the annular ligament .*
- *There are two movements possibal at this joint ;pronation and supination .*
- ***Pronation;** Produced by the pronator quadratus and pronator teres .*

- ***Supination; Produced by the supinator and biceps brachii.***



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Distal radioulnar joint..

*This distal radioulnar joint is located just proximally to the **wrist joint**.it is an articulation between the ulnar notch of the radius , and the ulna r head.*

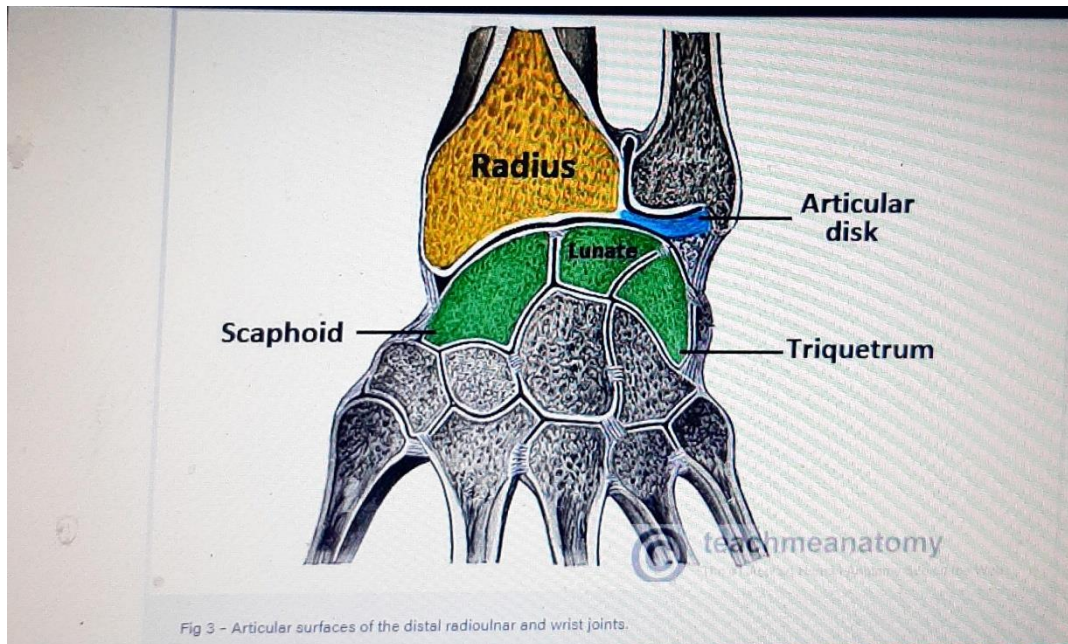
- *In addition to anterior and posterior ligaments strengthening the joint*

*,there is also a fibrocartilaginous ligament present ,called the **articular disk**. It serves two function*

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- Binds the radius and ulna together and hold them together during movement at the joint*
- Separate the distal radioulnar joint from the wrist joint*
- Like the proximal radioulnar joint this is a **pivot** joint,allowing for the pronation and supination ..the ulnar notch of the radius slide anteriorly over the head of the ulnar during such movement.*

- **Pronation; Produced by the pronator quadratus and pronator teres .**
- **Supination; Produced by the supinator and biceps brachii.**



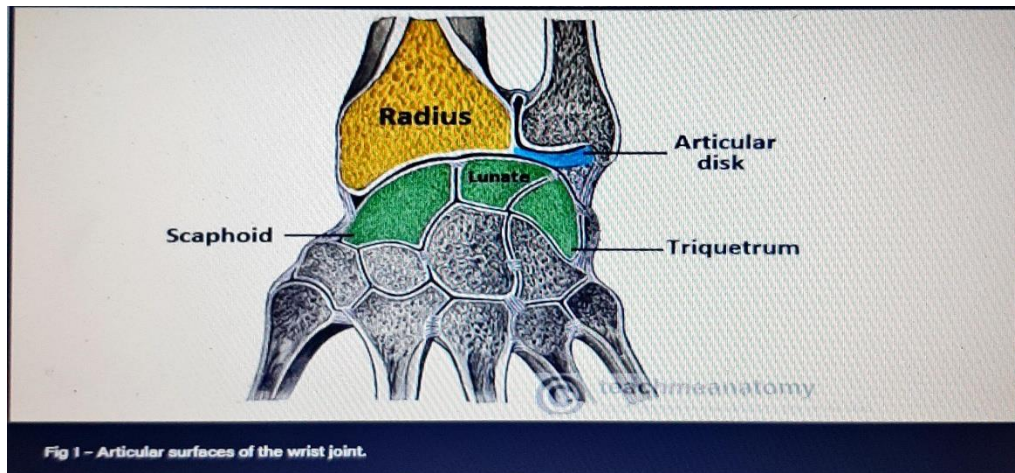
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THE WRIST JOINT..

- *The wrist joint (also known as the radiocarpal joint) is a synovial joint in the upper limb, marking the area of the transition between the forearm and the hand.*
- *In this article we shall look at the structure of the wrist joint, the movement of the joint, and the relevant clinical syndromes.*
- ***Structure of the wrist joint.***
- ***Articulating surfaces..***
- ***Distally***—the proximal row of the carpal bones (except the pisiform.)
- ***Proximally..***the distal end of the radius and the articular disk (see below.)

- ***The ulna is not a part of the wrist joint –its articulate with the radius ,just proxiaml to the wrist joint at distal radioulanr joint it is prevented from articulating with the carpal bones by a fibrocartilaginous liagament called the articualt disk which lies over the superior surface of the unla ..***
- ***Together the carpal bones form a convex surface ,which articulate with***



*the **cancave** .surface of the radius and articualr disk.*



Joint capsule ..

- *Like any synovial joint the capsyle is dual layered the faibrous outer layer attaches to the radius ,ulna and the proxiamal row of the carpal bones .the internal layer is comprised of a synovial membrane secreting synvial fluid which lubricates the joint .*

Ligaments.....

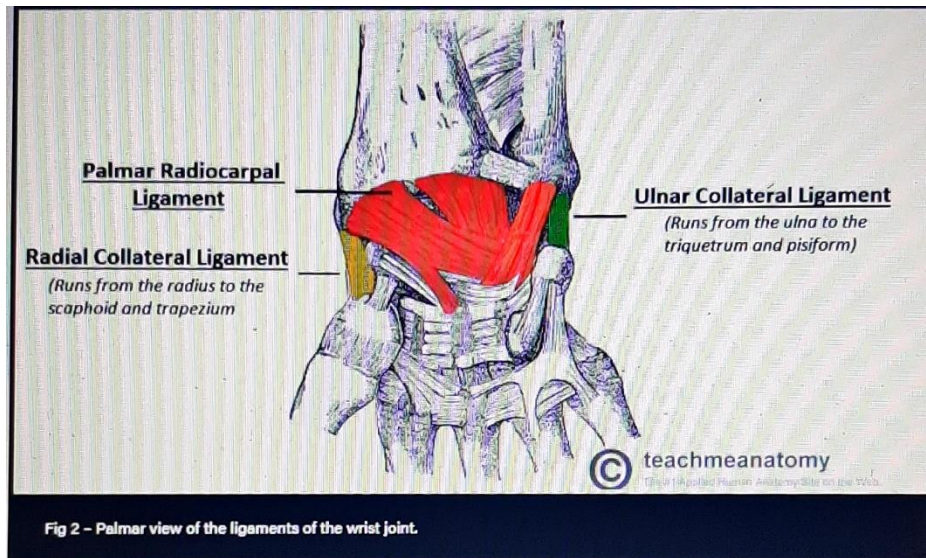
There are four liagament of note in the wrist joint one for each side of the joint

- ***Palmar radiocarpal..—its is found on the palmar (anterior) side of the***

hand it passes from the radius to both rows of carpal bones its function apart from increasing stability is to ensure that the hand follows the forearm during supination

- ***Dorsal radiocarpal.*** -It is found on the dorsum (posterior) side of the hand.it passes from the radius to both rows of carpal bones .it contribute to the stability of the wrist ,but also ensures that the hand follows the forearm during pronation.
- ***Ulnar collateral*** –Runs from the ulnar styloid process to the triquetrum and pisiform work in union with the other collateral ligament to prevent excessive lateral joint displacement ..

- **Radial collateral** ---Runs from the radial styloid process to the scaphoid and trapezium .work in union with the other collateral ligament to prevent



to prevent excessive lateral joint displacement..

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