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### **Medical Screening**

Have you ever experienced or been told you have any of the following conditions?				
Cancer	Chronic bronchitis			
Diabetes	Pneumonia			
High blood pressure	Emphysema			
Fainting or dizziness	Migraine headaches			
Chest pain	Anemia			
Shortness of breath	Stomach ulcers			
Blood clot	AIDS/HIV			
Stroke	Hemophilia			
Kidney disease	Guillain-Barré syndrome			
Urinary tract infection	Gout			
Allergies (latex, food, drug)	Thyroid problems			
Asthma	Multiple sclerosis			
Osteoporosis	Tuberculosis			
Rheumatic/scarlet fever	Fibromyalgia			
Hepatitis/jaundice	Pregnancy			
Polio	Hernia			
Head injury/concussion	Depression			
Epilepsy or seizures	Frequent falls			
Parkinson's disease	Bowel/bladder problems			

Have you ever had any of the following procedures?		
X-ray	Blood test(s)	
CT scan	Biopsy	
MRI	EMG or NCV	
Bone scan	EKG or stress test	
Urine analysis	Surgery	



Arthritis



DBP	SBP	뀲	품	7	Age	
55	73	30-50	80–180	98.2°	Infant	7
57	90	20–40	75–140	98.6°	Child	Iormal V
07	115	15–22	50–100	98.6°	Adolescent	/ital Signs & P
<85	<130	10-20	60–100	98.6°	Adult & Elderly	athologies Tha
pain, exercise (SBP only)	↑ blood sugar, CAD, anxiety,	Infection,  ↓ Hematocrit & hemolobin,  ↑ blood sugar, anxiety, pain, acute MI, asthma, exercise	Infection,  ↓ Hematocrit & hemolobin,  ↓ blood sugar, anxiety, anemia, pain,  ↓ K <sup>+</sup> , exercise	Infection, exercise,  † blood sugar	Increases Due to:	Normal Vital Signs & Pathologies That Influence Them
↓ K, narcotics, acute MI, anemia	↓ Hematocrit & hemoglobin,	Narcotics	Narcotics, acute MI, → K+	<ul><li>↓ Hematocrit &amp; hemoglobin, narcotics,</li><li>↓ blood sugar, aging</li></ul>	<b>Decreases Due to:</b>	מ

### Signs/Symptoms of Emergency Situations

- SBP ≥180 mm Hg or ≤90 mm Hg
- DBP ≥110 mm Hg
- Resting HR >100 bpm
- Resting RR >30 bpm
- Sudden change in mentation
- Facial pain with intractable headache
- Sudden onset of angina or arrhythmia
- Abdominal rebound tenderness
- Black, tarry, or bloody stools

### **Generalized Systemic Red Flags**

- Insidious onset with no known mechanism of injury
- Symptoms out of proportion to injury
- No change in symptoms despite positioning or rest
- Symptoms persist beyond expected healing time
- Recent or current fever, chills, night sweats, infection
- Unexplained weight loss, pallor, nausea, B&B changes (constitutional symptoms)
- Headache or visual changes
- Bilateral symptoms
- Pigmentation changes, edema, rash, nail changes, weakness, numbness, tingling, burning
- Psoas test for pelvic pathology = supine, SLR to 30° & resist hip flexion; (+) test for pelvic inflammation or infection is lower quadrant abdominal pain; hip or back pain is a (-) test
- Blumberg's sign = rebound tenderness for visceral pathology—in supine select a site away from the painful area & place your hand perpendicular & push down deep & slow then lift up quickly; (-) = no pain; (+) = pain on release
- (+) McBurney's point (appendix) = ½-½ the distance between the 

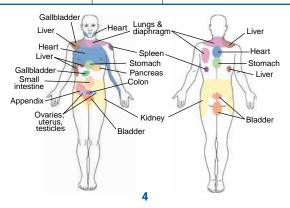
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  ASIS & umbilicus
- (+) Kehr's sign (spleen) = violent () shoulder pain

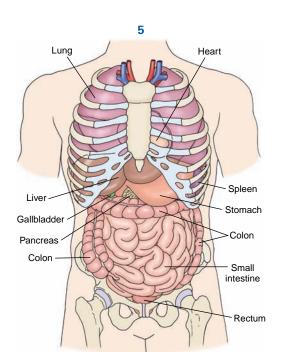




### **Visceral Innervation & Referral Patterns**

Segmental Innervation	Viscera	Referral Pattern(s)
C3-5	Diaphragm	C-spine
T1-5	Heart	Anterior neck, chest, left UE
T4-6	Esophagus	Substernal & upper abdominal
T5-6	Lungs	T-spine
T6-10	Stomach	Upper abdomen & T-spine
	Pancreas	Upper abdomen, low T-spine, & upper L-spine
	Bile duct	Upper abdomen, mid T-spine
T7-9	Gallbladder	Right UQ, right T-spine
	Liver	Right T-spine
T7-10	Small intestine	Mid T-spine
T10-11	Testes/Ovaries	Lower abdomen & sacrum
T10-L1	Kidney	L-spine, abdomen
T10-L1	Uterus	T/L & L/S junction
S2-4	Prostate	Sacrum, testes, T/L jctn
T11-L2, S2-4	Ureter	Groin, suprapubic, medial thigh
	Bladder	Sacral apex, suprapubic





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### **Early Warning Signs of Cancer**

### "CAUTIONS" = Red Flags of Cancer

- C = Change in bowel & bladder lasting longer than 7-10 days
- A = A sore that fails to heal in 6 weeks
- U = Unusual bleeding or discharge
- T = Thickening/lump (breast or elsewhere)
- I = Indigestion, difficulty swallowing, early satiety
- O = Obvious change in wart or mole
  - A = Asymmetrical shape
  - **B** = Border irregularities
  - C = Color—pigmentation is not uniform
  - **D** = Diameter >6 mm (bigger than a pencil eraser)
  - **E** = Evolution (change in status)
- N = Nagging cough or hoarseness (rust-colored sputum)
- S = Supplemental signs/symptoms
  - 10–15 lb wt loss in 10–14 days
  - Changes in vital signs
  - Frequent infections (respiratory or urinary)
  - + change in DTRs
  - + proximal muscle weakness
  - + night pain
  - + pathologic fracture
  - >45 years old

### Cardiovascular Signs to Discontinue Exercise

- Resting HR <40 or >130
- Irregular pulse; palpitations
- > 6 arrhythmias per hour
- Blood glucose >250 mg/dL
- O<sub>2</sub> saturation <90%
- Temp >100°F
- SBP >250 or DBP >120 mm Hg
- Fall in SBP >10 mm Hg
- Cognitive changes

- Cold, clammy, cyanotic
- PO₂ <60; hemoglobin <8 g/dL</p>
- Dyspnea; orthopnea
- Dizziness, syncope
- Bilateral leg or foot edema
   Chest pain (with or without UE
- radiation)
   Isolated (R) biceps or mid-thoracic
- Isolated (R) biceps or mid-thoracion
   pain in females

### Signs & Symptoms of Specific Organ Pathology

### **Pulmonary**

- Cough with or without blood
- Sputum
- SOB or DOE
- Clubbing of nails
- Chest pain
- Wheezing
- Pain with deep inspiration
- Pain ↑ when recumbent & ↓ on involved side
- ↓ O₂ saturation
- Signs of a PE
  - Pleural pain
    - SOB
    - Rapid RR
    - Rapid HR
    - Coughing up blood

### **Hepatic**

- ® UQ pain
- Weight loss
- Ascites/LE edema
- Carpal tunnel syndrome (bilateral)
- Intermittent pruritus
- Weakness & fatigue
- Dark urine/clay-colored stools
- Asterixis (liver flap) = flapping tremor resulting from the inability to maintain wrist extension with forearm supported
- Jaundice, bruising, yellow sclera of the eye
- Pain referral to T-spine between scapula, ® shoulder, ® upper trap, ® subscapular region





### Gastrointestinal

- Epigastric pain with radiation to the back
- Blood or dark, tarry stool
- Fecal incontinence or urgency
- Tenderness @ McBurney's point
- Pain/symptoms that change with eating
- Nausea, vomiting, bloating
- Diarrhea or absence of bowel mov't
- Food may help or aggravate px
- Weight loss, loss of appetite

### Renal

- (+) Murphy's test = percussion over kidney
- Fever; chills
- Blood in urine (hematuria)
- Cloudy or foul-smelling urine
- Painful or frequent urination
- Pain is constant (stones)
- Back pain at the level of the kidneys
- Costovertebral angle tenderness

### **Prostate**

- Men >50 yo
- Difficulty starting or stopping urine flow
- Change in frequency
- Nocturia
- Incontinence/dribbling
- PSA level >4 ng/mL
- Sexual dysfunction

### **Gynecological**

- Cyclic pain
- Abnormal blooding
- Nausea, vomiting
- Vaginal discharge
- Chronic constipation
- Low BP (blood loss)
- Missed or irregular periods

### Tasks That May Aggravate & Incriminate Visceral Pathology

- GB = forward bending
- Kidney = lean to affected side
- Pancreas = sit up or lean forward
- Esophagus = swallowing
- GI = eating
- Heart = cold air or exertion
- Renal = side bending away from involved side

### Signs & Symptoms of Hyperglycemia

- Blood glucose >180 mg/dL
- Skin is dry & flushed
- Fruity breath odor
- Blurred vision
- Dizziness
- Weakness
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Cramping
- Increased urination
- LOC/seizure





### Signs & Symptoms of Hypoglycemia

- Blood glucose <50-60 mg/dL</p>
- Skin is pale, cool, diaphoretic
- Disoriented or agitated
- Headache
- Slurred speech
- Tachycardic
- LOC

### **Asthmatic Response(s)**

- Coughing, wheezing
- Substernal chest tightness
- Use of accessory muscles of respiration
- RR >24 bpm
- Peak flow <80% predicted or baseline value
- After an asthma attack, FEV1 peak flow should ↑ by >15% within 5 min of use of inhaler

### Signs & Symptoms of Marfan's Syndrome (inherited autosomal dominant disorder)

- Disproportionately long arms, legs, fingers, & toes (tall—lower body longer than upper body)
- Long skull with frontal prominence
- Kyphoscoliosis
- Pectus chest (concave)
- Slender ↓ sub-q fat
- Weak tendons, ligaments, & joint capsules with joint hypermobility
- Defective heart valves = murmur
- High incidence of dissecting aortic aneurysm
- Hernia
- Sleep apnea
- Dislocation of eye lens; myopia
- "Thumb sign" = oppose the thumb across the palm, if tip of thumb extends beyond the palm, the test is (+)

### Signs & Symptoms of Depression

- Sadness; frequent/unexplained crying
- Feelings of guilt, helplessness, or hopelessness
- Suicide ideations
- Problems sleeping
- Fatigue or decreased energy; apathy
- Loss of appetite; weight loss/gain
- Difficulty concentrating, remembering, & making decisions

### Signs & Symptoms of Lyme's Disease

**Note:** This is a multisystemic inflammatory condition. The transmission of the tick spirochete takes ~ 48 hrs. Blood work is used to confirm the disease, not to diagnose it. Clinician should r/o GBS, MS, & FMS.

### **Early Localized Stage**

- Rash with onset of erythema within 7-14 days (range is 3-30 days)
- Rash may be solid red expanding rash or a central spot with rings (Bull's-eve)
- Average diameter of rash is 5"-6"
- Rash may or may not be warm to palpation
- Rash is usually not painful or itchy
- Fever
- Malaise
- Headache
- Muscle aches
- Joint pain

### **Early Disseminated Stage**

- ≥ 2 rashes not @ the bite site
- Migrating painHeadache
- Stiff neck
- Facial palsy
- Numbness/tingling into extremities
- Abnormal pulseSore throat
- Visual changes





- 100°-102° fever
- Severe fatigue

### **Late Stage**

- Arthritis of 1-2 larger joints
- Neurological changes—disorientation, confusion, dizziness, mental "fog," numbness in extremities
- Visual impairment
- Cardiac irregularities

### **Dementia Scales**

Score	Maximum	Task
	5 5	Orientation: What is the (year) (season) (date) (day) (month)? Where are we (state) (country) (town) (building) (floor)?
	3	Registration: Name 3 objects: 1 second to say each. Ask the patient all 3 after you have said them. Give 1 pt for each correct answer. Repeat them until he/she learns all 3. Count & record trials:
	5	Attention & Calculation: Serial 7s. Score 1 point for each correct answer. Stop after 5 answers. (Alternative question: Spell "world" backward.)
	3	Recall: Ask for the 3 objects repeated above. Give 1 point for each correct answer.
	2 1 3 1 1	Language: Name a pencil & watch. Repeat the following, "No, ifs, ands, or buts." Follow a 3-stage command: "Take a paper in your hand, fold it in half, & put it on the floor." Read & obey the following: "Close your eyes." Write a sentence. Copy the design shown:
	30	Total score (Normal ≥24)

	Deep Ten	don Reflexes
Grade	Response	Jendrassik's Maneuver
0	Absent; areflexia	For UE = patient crosses LEs at ankles
1+	Decreased; hyporeflexia	& then isometrically abducts LEs
2+	Normal	For LE = patient interlocks fingertips & then isometrically pulls elbows apart
3+	Hyperactive; brisk	their isometrically palls cibows apart
4+	Hyperactive with clonus	

	Cranial No	erves
Nerve	Function	Test
I. Olfactory	Smell	Identify odors with eyes closed
II. Optic	Vision	Test peripheral vision with 1 eye covered
III. Oculomotor	Eye movement & pupillary reaction	Peripheral vision, eye chart, reaction to light
IV. Trochlear	Eye movement	Test ability to depress & adduct eye
V. Trigeminal	Face sensation & mastication	Face sensation & clench teeth
VI. Abducens	Eye movement	Test ability to abduct eye past midline
VII. Facial	Facial muscles & taste	Close eyes & smile; detect various tastes—sweet, sour, salty, bitter
VIII. Vestibulocochlear (Acoustic)	Hearing & balance	Hearing; feet together, eyes open/closed x 5 sec; test for past-pointing
IX. Glossopharyngeal	Swallow, voice, gag reflex	Swallow & say "ahh" Use tongue depressor to elicit gag
X. Vagus	Swallow, voice, gag reflex	reflex
XI. Spinal Accessory	SCM & trapezius	Rotate/SB neck; shrug shoulders
XII. Hypoglossal	Tongue mov't	Protrude tongue (watch for lateral deviation)





### **Neural Tissue Provocation Tests (NTPT)**

### MEDIAN NERVE TEST

Position: Supine or sitting with contralateral cervical SB & ipsilateral shoulder depressed

Technique: Extend UE in plane of scapula with elbow extended, forearm supinated, & wrist/fingers extended

Interpretation: + test = pain or paresthesia into median nerve distribution of UE

Statistics: Sensitivity = 94%; specificity = 22%



### RADIAL NERVE TEST

Position: Supine or sitting with contralateral cervical SB & ipsilateral shoulder depressed

Technique: Extend UE with elbow extended, forearm pronated, wrist flexed, & fingers extended

Interpretation: + test = pain or paresthesia into radial nerve distribution of UE

Statistics: Sensitivity = 97%; specificity = 33%



### **ULNAR NERVE TEST**

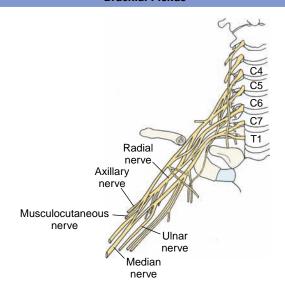
Position: Supine or sitting with ipsilateral shoulder depressed

Technique: Abduct shoulder to 90° with ER, flex elbow, pronate forearm, extend wrist/fingers in an attempt to place the palm of the hand on the ipsilateral ear

Interpretation: + test = pain or paresthesia into ulnar nerve distribution of UE



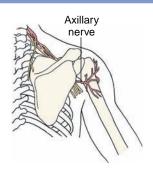
### **Brachial Plexus**



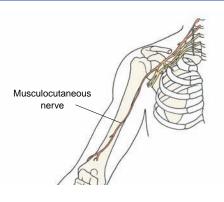




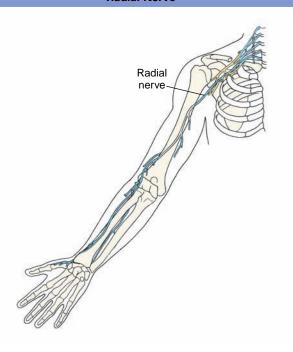
### **Axillary Nerve**



### **Musculocutaneous Nerve**



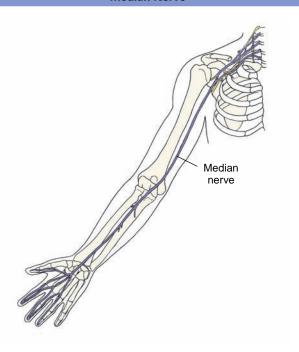
### **Radial Nerve**



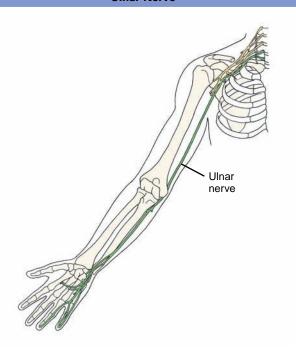




### **Median Nerve**



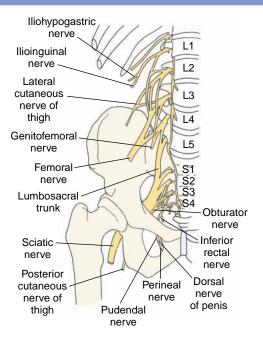
### **Ulnar Nerve**



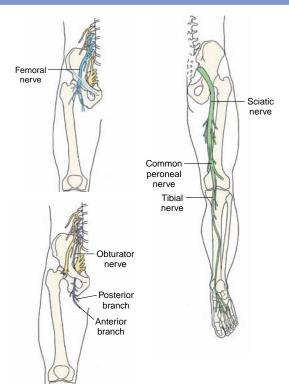




### **Lumbosacral Plexus**



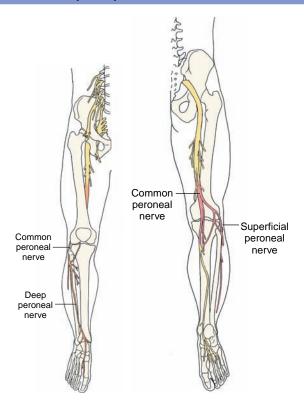
### Femoral, Obturator, Sciatic, Tibial, & Common Peroneal Nerve







### **Deep & Superficial Peroneal Nerves**



• Acephen	• Anacin-3 • Liquiprin	Acetamin • Tylenol	Gener (Brance)		
pra pra	cin-3 iprin	Acetaminophen Tylenol	Generic name (Brand names)		
to liver & kidney; may be fatal	Doses 15g are toxic	Upset stomach, rash, bruising, anemia	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded) Interactions	Indication	Nonnarcot
Callellie =   allalyesic effects Alcohol = ↑ risk of liver damage (not recommended if consuming ≥ 3 glasses of alcohol/day	Warfarin = ↑ anticoagulant effect	Barbiturates = $\downarrow$ effects & $\uparrow$ liver toxicity	Interactions	Indications = Pain, fever	Nonnarcotic Analgesic





## Analgesic & NSAID

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	anaphylactic reaction, anxiety,	COX-1)
		200
	hemorrhage, asthma, erythema,	inhibition of COX-2 over
	Seizures, cardiac arrhythmias, MI,	Meloxicam (preferential
	mal necrosis syndrome	
	dizziness, liver damage, epider-	
nenhrotoxicity	Gl px, h/a, rash, constipation,	• Clinoril
Are gastric irritants & can produce	Not recommended for children	Sulindac
With lithium		• Advil
Call   Heulotoxicity when used		• Nuprin
	dizziness, rash, hepatitis, h/a	• Motrin
• Can   BP (CUX-2 inhibitors   BP to	Gl px, dyspepsia, nausea,	lbuprofen
Plavix, & heparin		Aspergum
with ginkgo, vitamin E, warfarin,		• Bayer
<ul> <li>Can Trisk of bleeding when used</li> </ul>	bruising	• Empirin
low-dose aspirin	bleeding time, rash, Gl distress,	• Ecotrin
<ul> <li>Can</li></ul>	Tinnitus, nausea, prolonged	• Aspirin
All NSAIDs:	Not recommended for children	Acetylsalicylic acid (ASA)
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is reduce risk of MI TIA CVA	Indications = RA_OAIRA_pain_faver_prevent thrombosis_reduce_risk of MI_TIA_CVA	Indications = RA OA

## Analgesic & NSAID—cont'd

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Piroxicam • Feldene	Diflunisal • Dolobid	Naproxen • Naprosyn • Anaprox	Generic name (Brand names)	
Not recommended for children Greater risk of Gi bleeding than other NSAIDs Dizziness, h/a, edema, rash, pruritus, hepatitis	Not recommended for children GI px, diarrhea, dyspepsia, rash, h/a, dizziness, insomnia	Not recommended for children Tinnitus, GI px, constipation, h/a, dizziness, rash, edema, ecchymoses	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Anti-inflammatory doses are > analgesic doses
a lesser extent than nonselectives) • Can ↑ neurotoxicity when used with lithium • Can produce acute renal failure • Are gastric irritants & can produce nephrotoxicity	<ul> <li>Can Trisk of bleeding when used with ginkgo, vitamin E, warfarin, Plavix, &amp; heparin</li> <li>Co A BB (COV 3) in bibliograph BB (COV 3)</li> </ul>	All NSAIDs: • Can ↓ cardioprotective effects of low-dose aspirin	Interactions	sic doses

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• Orudis	Etodolac • Lodine	Indomethacin Indocin	Generic name (Brand names)	
Not recommended for children Dyspepsia, Ivla, dizziness, insomnia, tinnitus, peripheral edema	Not recommended for children  Dyspepsia, slightly less GI px than other  NSAID, nausea, diarrhea, CHF, dizziness, ↑ BP,  blurred vision	<b>H/a,</b> drowsy, dizziness, nausea, GI px, constipation, pancreatitis	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Anti-inflammatory doses are > analgesic doses
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Generic name	Adverse reactions	
(Brand names)	(Most frequent are <b>bolded</b> )	Interactions
Diclofenac	Not recommended for children	All NSAIDs:
<ul> <li>Voltaren</li> </ul>	Nephrotic px, GI px, h/a, edema, dizziness,	<ul> <li>Can</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Cataflam</li> </ul>	hypoglycemia	low-dose aspirin
Nabumetone	Not recommended for children	<ul> <li>Can Trisk of bleeding when used</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Relafen</li> </ul>	Abdominal pain, diarrhea, dyspepsia, dizziness,	with ginkgo, vitamin E, warfarin,
	h/a, dyspnea, diaphoresis	Flavix, or neparin
Celecoxib	Not recommended for children	a lesser extent than nonselectives)
(COX-2 inhib)	<b>h/a,</b> GI px, dizziness, ↑BP, erythema	• Can ↑ neuro toxicity when used
• Celebrex		with lithium
		<ul> <li>Can produce acute renal failure</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Are gastric irritants &amp; can produce</li> </ul>
		nephrotoxicity
Exercise concerns	Exercise concerns: Negative effect on myogenesis & regeneration (anabolic effects), i.e., may delay	(anabolic effects), i.e., may delay
muscle healing		





### Percocet Tylenol #3 APAP/codeine\*\* Lortab Vicodin APAP/oxycodone APAP/hydrocodone\*\* Generic name Brand names) \*Narcotic Analgesic: APAP = Acetaminophen vomiting, apnea, respiratory Lightheaded, dizziness, nausea, tolerance after 2 wks) Nausea, drowsiness, constipation, depression fusion, constipation, rash, pruritus, Dizziness, nausea, vomiting, con-Adverse reactions nausea, vomiting, SOB, pruritus (Most frequent are **bolded**) ↓ respiration (body builds up) Indication = Pain Muscle relaxers = ↑ CNS effects alcohol = 1 CNS depression Antipsychotics, antianxiety agents, or antianxiety agents = | CNS depression Interactions Anticholinergics with codeine = paralytic MAO inhibitors= ↑ effects Antihistamines, antipsychotics, or

Exercise concerns: Reduced exercise capacity due to respiratory depression especially with COPD;

\*\*Should not be taken with MAO inhibitors.

guard ambulation to prevent falls

Tylox

distress, hypotension, rash

constipation, pruritus

<sup>\*</sup>ALL opioids are addicting; withdrawal symptoms may appear in 6–10 hours & last 5 days. Symptoms may include body aches, diarrhea, fever, gooseflesh, insomnia, irritability, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, runny nose, shivering, & stomach cramps.

 Percodan ASA/oxycodone

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## \*Narcotic Analgesic: ASA = Aspirin

Indication = Pain	
dverse reactions Most frequent are bolded)	Interactions (All interaction effects of ASA apply)
izziness, nausea, ↓ respiration, onstipation, tinnitus, h/a, vomit-	MAO inhibitors, insulin, anticoagulants, methotrexate, or sulfonamides = 1 effects
g, pruritus, rash	NSAIDs = peptic ulcers Alcohol = ↑ CNS depression
ghtheaded, nausea, dizziness,	Muscle relaxants = 1 CNS effects, impair
omiting, euphoria, pruritus,	judgment
onea, constipation, circulatory	Analgesics, phenothiazines, tranquilizers,
epression, hemorrhage,	or alcohol = ↑ CNS depression
ypotension	ACE inhibitors = ↓ pain relief

 Empirin with codeine ASA/codeine\*\*

Take with food

Generic name (Brand names)

Exercise concerns: Negative effects on myogenesis & regeneration (anabolic effects)

Anticoagulant or NSAID = 1 bleeding Methotrexate =  $\uparrow$  toxicity

\*\*Should not be taken with MAO inhibitors. \*ALL opioids are addicting; withdrawal symptoms may appear in 6–10 hours & last 5 days. Symptoms may include body aches, diarrhea, fever, gooseflesh, insomnia, irritability, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, runny nose, shivering, & stomach cramps





## Muscle Relaxers/Antispasmodics

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Tizanidine • Zanaflex	• Valium (long-term dependency)	Cyclobenzaprine • Flexeril (use not recommended for > 2–3 wks)	Carisoprodol • Soma (addictive)	Baclofen • Lioresal	Generic name (Brand names)	Indic
Somnolence, sedation, hypotension, dry mouth, UTI, dizziness, bradycardia, constipation	Drowsiness, pain, phlebitis at injection site, dysarthria, constipation,   ↓ HR, ↓ RR	Drowsiness, dry mouth, dizziness, arrhythmias, confusion, transient visual hallucinations	Orthostatic hypotension, drowsiness, dizziness, h/a, vertigo, agitation, insomnia	Drowsiness, nausea, dizziness, weakness, confusion, vomiting, high fever, h/a, rash, paresthesias	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Indications = Manage spasticity (muscle tone), reduce muscle guarding
Antihypertensives = \( \int \) BP  Bacloften, alcohol, or other CNS depressant = additive effect Oral contraceptive = \( \int \) tizanidine clearance	CNS depressants or alcohol = ↑ depression Digoxin = risk of toxicity Smoking = may ↓ effects	CNS depressants or alcohol = ↑ depression MAO inhibitors or Tramadol = may cause seizures & death	CNS depressants or alcohol = $\uparrow$ depression	CNS depressants or alcohol = $\uparrow$ depression	Interactions	ne), reduce muscle guarding

Exercise concerns: No	Quinapril • Accupril	Fosinopril • Monopril	• Zestril • Prinivil	Enalapril • Vasotec	• Captopril • Capoten	Generic name (Brand names)	
Exercise concerns: No effect on exercise capacity	Somnolence, pruritus, dizziness, dry cough, hemorrhage	<b>Dizziness, dry cough,</b> h/a, fatigue, diarrhea, nausea	Dizziness, nasal congestion, dry cough, orthostatic hypotension, diarrhea, h/a, fatigue, nausea	Weakness, dry cough, dizziness, h/a, hypotension	<b>Dry cough, rash,</b> dizziness, abdominal pain, neutropenia	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Indication = High BP
			Lithium = lithium toxicity	Diuretics or phenothiazines = hypotension NSAIDs = ↓ antihypertensive effects	Antacids = ↑ effects Digoxin = ↑ digoxin levels	Interactions	BP

**ACE Inhibitors** 





	Exercise concerns: No effect on exercise capacity	Exercise co
	Anxiety, chest pain, diarrhea, dizziness, flu, h/a, fatigue, nausea, upset stomach, sore throat, UTI, vomiting	Irbesartan • Avapro
NSAIDs & ASA = ↓ antihypertensive effects	Dizziness, h/a, runny nose, URI	Candesartan • Atacand
Due to ↑ K+ levels, should not be taken with K+ supplements, salt substitutes containing K+, or K+-sparing diuretics	Dizziness, h/a, weakness, fatigue, chest pain, diarrhea, anemia, flu-like symptoms	Losartan K+ • Cozaar
Interactions	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Generic name (Brand names)
BP .	Indication = High BP	
kers	ACE Receptor Blockers	

Generic name   Adverse reactions (Most   Brand names)   Indication = Angina			Cat	Ca <sup>++</sup> Channel Blockers
				Indication = Angina
		_	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Interactions
		Diltiazem • Cardizem	LE edema, h/a, 1° heart block, arrhythmia,	$ \begin{array}{l} Digoxin = elevated \ digitalis \ levels \\ An esthetics = 1 \ an esthetic \ effects \ \& \ depression \ of \ cardiac \end{array} $
		<ul><li>Dilacor</li><li>Diltiaz</li><li>Tiazac</li></ul>	bradycardia, nausea, rash, dizziness, fatigue, 1° heart block	contractility Cyclosporine = ↑ cyclosporine level Diazepam = ↑ CNS depression
		Verapamil • Calan	Hypotension, AV block, constipation, dizziness,	Beta-blockers = heart failure Cardiac glycoside = ↑ digitalis levels
	<u> </u>		nausea, h/a, arrhythmia, dyspnea	Antihypertensives = hypotension Cyclosporine = ↑ levels
Amlodipine Edema, h/a, fatigue, Norvasc nausea, flushing, rash, • Amvaz LE edema, dizziness Nifedipine ness, h/a, weak • Procardia ness, flushing, periph- eral edema, nausea eral edema, nausea Cimetidine = ↑ plasma level of nest dinkgo or grapefruit juice = ↑ effect St. John's wort = ↓ drug effect Exercise concerns: Drugs may cause arthralgia/myalgia that may negativ	- 50			Grapefruit juice = ↑ drug level St. John's wort = ↓ drug level
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<ul> <li>Norvasc nausea, flushing, rash, la Amvaz LE edema, dizziness, h/a, weak</li> <li>Procardia ness, h/a, weak</li> <li>Procardia ness, flushing, peripheratoria eral edema, nausea climbing peripheratoria eral edema, nausea</li> <li>Exercise concerns: Drugs may cause arthralgia/myalgia that may negative</li> </ul>		Amlodipine	Edema, h/a, fatigue,	When combined with another antihypertensive = hypotension
• Amvaz LE edema, dizziness tachycardia  Nifedipine		<ul> <li>Norvasc</li> </ul>	nausea, flushing, rash,	When combined with an alpha blocker = hypotension & reflex
Nifedipine  • Procardia  • Pro		• Amvaz	LE edema, dizziness	tachycardia
• Procardia ness, flushing, periph- eral edema, nausea    Fentany  = severe hypotension   Fentany  = severe hypotension		Nifedipine	Dizziness, h/a, weak-	Verapamil = ↓ effects
eral edema, nausea  Fentanyl = severe hypotension Cimetidine = ↑ plasma level of ri Beta blockers = hypotension Ginkgo or grapefruit juice = ↑ ef St. John's wort = ↓ drug effect Exercise concerns: Drugs may cause arthralgia/myalgia that may negativ		<ul> <li>Procardia</li> </ul>	ness, flushing, periph-	Antifungals or erythromycin = ↑ effects
Cimetidine = ↑ plasma level of n  Beta blockers = hypotension Ginkgo or grapefruit juice = ↑ ef St. John's wort = ↓ drug effect St. John's wort = ↓ drug effect			eral edema, nausea	Fentanyl = severe hypotension
Beta blockers = hypotension Ginkgo or grapefruit juice = 1 ef St. John's wort = \div drug effect Exercise concerns: Drugs may cause arthralgia/myalgia that may negativ				Cimetidine = ↑ plasma level of nifedipine
Ginkgo or grapefruit juice = 1 ef St. John's wort = 1 drug effect Exercise concerns: Drugs may cause arthralgia/myalgia that may negativ				Beta blockers = hypotension
St. John's wort = \day drug effect Exercise concerns: Drugs may cause arthralgia/myalgia that may negativ				Ginkgo or grapefruit juice = 1 effects
Exercise concerns: Drugs may cause arthralgia/myalgia that may negativ				St. John's wort = ↓ drug effect
		Exercise concer	ns: Drugs may cause art	nralgia/myalgia that may negatively influence exercise c





## \*Beta Blockers/Antihypertensives

Labetalol † LDL cholesterol, dizziness, nausea, Cimet Normodyne fatigue, hypotension Verap Trandate NSAII	Metoprolol † LDL cholesterol, fatigue, dizziness, Cardie depression, hypotension, bradycardia, MAO  *Toprol nausea, rash, bronchospasms hypotension hypotension control depression hypotension hypoten	Timolol † LDL cholesterol, bronchospasms, NSAII • Blocadren fatigue, bradycardia, extremity pain, weakness, impotence	Atenolol † LDL cholesterol, dizziness, fatigue, hypotension, bradycardia, nausea, LE pain, rash, bronchospasms, orthostatic hypotension hypotension NSAII	Propranolol	Generic name Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded) Intera	Indications = Angina, arrhythmias, hypertension
Cimetidine = ↑ labetalol plasma levels Verapamil = additive effects NSAIDs = ↓ antihypertensive effect	Cardiac glycosides = severe bradycardia MAO inhibitors, cimetidine, hydralazine, prazosin, or verapamil = additive effects; hypotension & bradycardia	$NSAIDs = \downarrow$ antihypertensive effect	Ca++ channel blockers or prazosin = ↑ hypotension Cardiac glycosides = severe bradycardia Insulin = may alter dosage NSAIDs = ↓ antihypertensive effects	Verapamil or diltiazem = hypotension Epinephrine = severe peripheral vasoconstriction Insulin = hypoglycemia Phenothiazines = ↑ adverse reactions NSAIDs = ↓ antihypertensive effect	Interactions	iias, hypertension

# \*Beta Blockers/Antihypertensives—cont'd

## Indications = Angina, arrhythmias, hypertension

Generic name (Brand names)	Generic name Adverse reactions (Brand names) (Most frequent are bolded)	Interactions
Carvedilol	↑ LDL cholesterol, asthenia, dizziness,	Cimetidine = 1 carvedilol plasma levels
<ul> <li>Coreg</li> </ul>	7	MAO inhibitors = bradycardia & ↓ BP
	glycemia, wt gain, URI	Ca <sup>++</sup> channel blockers = conduction
	*May produce bronchoconstriction in	disturbances
	patients with asthmatic conditions	NSAIDs = ↓ antihypertensive effect
Exercise concerr	Exercise concerns: As a result of a blunting of HR, exercise to 20 bpm above resting HR; beta blockers	20 bpm a
mask symptoms	mask symptoms of & delay recovery from hypoglycemia	

### Antilipemics

Generic name (Brand names)	
Generic name Adverse reactions (Brand names) (Most frequent are bolded)	Indications = Reduce LDL, total cholesterol, & triglyceride levels
Interactions	rol, & triglyceride levels

 Lipitor Atorvastatin

rhabdomyolysis

↑ liver transaminase, dyspepsia, Constipation, muscle pain, flatulence,







### Exercise concerns: Diminished exercise performance; limited muscle endurance; volume depletion; Dyrenium Aldactone K<sup>+</sup> sparing Zaroxolyn · Lozol Hydrodiuril Esidrix Lasix (loop diuretic Furosemide Thiazide Generic name Brand names risk of heat-related illness; muscle cramps 2° hypokalemia giarrnea, dry mouth, muscle cramps Dizziness, weakness, fatigue, h/a, discomfort thirst, hyperglycemia, stomach Dizziness, muscle weakness, cramps, hypokalemia, hypocalcemia Dehydration, muscle cramps, (Most frequent are bolded) Adverse reactions (osteoporosis), cardia arrhythmias Indications = Edema, hypertension **Diuretics** Sun = photosensitivity & arrhythmias NSAIDs = inhibit diuretic response with K+ loss Cardiac glycosides = 1 risk of digoxin toxicity Loop + thiazide diuretic = $\uparrow$ risk of hypotension ↑ risk of hypotension & arrhythmias Antihypertensives or Ca++ channel blocker = Interactions

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Bupropion • Wellbutrin • Zyban	Doxepin • Sinequan • Adapin • Zonalon	Amitriptyline • Elavil	Generic name (Brand names)		
Insomnia, agitation, dry mouth, tremor, abnormal dreams, h/a, treess, sweating, tachycardia, nausea, constipation, vomiting, dizziness, rhinitis, anorexia, blurred vision, wt gain, seizures	Drowsiness, dizziness, dry mouth, orthostatic hypotension, blurred vision, tachycardia, diaphoresis, constipation, seizures, confusion, urinary retention	Orthostatic hypotension, tachycardia, dry mouth, stroke, arrihythmia, lethargy, confusion, dry mouth, urinary retention, blurred vision, constipation	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Indication = Depression, OCD, anxiety	Antidepressants
MAO inhibitors = ↑ risk of toxicity Nicotine = hypertension Levodopa = ↑ risk of adverse reactions Sun = photosensitivity Prednisone or phenothiazine = ↑ risk of seizures	Contraceptives = ^ antidepressant level Clonidine or epinephrine = extreme hypertension MAO inhibitors = severe excitation Ouinolones = life-threatening arrhythmias Alcohol = CNS depression Sun = photosensitivity	Contraceptives = \(^1\) antidepressant level & \(^1\) tricyclic-induced akathisia Clonidine or epinephrine = extreme hypertension MAO inhibitors = severe excitation Ouinolones = life-threatening arrhythmias (\(^1\) CTC interval) Alcohol = CNS depression Sun = photosensitivity	Interactions	, OCD, anxiety	nts





### Antidepressants—cont'd

ng ischemic stroke	Exercise concerns: Improved motor performance following ischemic stroke	Exercise concer
Benzodiazepines = ↑ effects MAO inhibitors, triptans, isoniazid, or St John's wort = serotonin syndrome Warfarin = ↑ bleeding	Fatigue, h/a, tremor, dizziness, insomnia, somnolence, dry mouth, nausea, diarrhea, male sexual dysfunction, suicidal behavior, akathisia	Sertraline* • Zoloft
Beta blockers = heart block, bradycardia MAO inhibitors or St John's wort = serotonin syndrome Antipsychotics = ↑ concentration of antipsy- chotics (extrapyramidal signs) Warfarin = ↑ bleeding Alcohol = ↑ depression	Nervousness, somnolence, insomnia, anxiety, drowsiness, h/a, tremor, dizziness, weakness, nausea, diarrhea, dry mouth, anorexia, akathisia	Fluoxetine* • Prozac
Interactions	Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Generic name (Brand names)
, OCD, anxiety	Indication = Depression, OCD, anxiety	

<sup>\*</sup>Should not be taken with MAO inhibitors.

Salmeterol • Serevent

discus

myalgia

Nasopharyngitis, URI, h/a, tremor, nausea, nervousness, tachycardia,

may 1 hyperglycemia

Exercise concerns: Diminished exercise performance; limited muscle endurance; systemic administration

severe CV effects

MAO inhibitors or antidepressants = 1 risk of

bronchoconstriction

Beta blockers = contraindicated, may cause

Pirbuterol Tremor, nervousness, dizziness,	Albuterol Proventil Ventolin Brethine  Albuterol Tremor, nervousne ity, tachycardia, ne ity, tachycardia, ne hyperglycemia	Generic name (Brand names) Adverse reactions (Most frequent are bolded)	Indicatio	Decongestant
ough,	Tremor, nervousness, h/a, hyperactivity, tachycardia, nausea, vomiting, muscle cramps, hypocalcemia, cough, CV effects hyperglycemia Beta block bronchoco	ons are bolded)	Indications = Bronchospasms, COPD, emphysema	ants, Antihistamine
Beta blockers = contraindicated, may cause bronchoconstriction  MAO inhibitors or antidepressants = 1 effects	CNS stimulant = ↑ CNS effects MAO inhibitors or antidepressants = ↑ adverse CV effects Beta blockers = contraindicated, may cause bronchoconstriction	Interactions	COPD, emphysema	Decongestants, Antihistamines, & Bronchodilators



### **Abbreviations & Symbols Specific to Orthopedics**

### Please note:

This list is not comprehensive and is subject to modification by various facilities to meet the needs of their patient population.

ā.....before
A....assistance

AAA . . . . . . . . abdominal aortic aneurysm

AAROM . . . . . . active, assistive range of motion Abd . . . . . . . abduction

ABG . . . . . . . . arterial blood gases

ACL ...........anterior cruciate ligament A.C. .......before meals

Add .....adduction

ADLs .....activities of daily living

AFO ......ankle foot orthosis
AK .....above knee

AMA .....against medical advice

amb .....ambulation

ANS . . . . . . . . autonomic nervous system

AP .....anterior-posterior
APL ....abductor pollicis longus
ARD ....adult respiratory distress
AROM ....active range of motion

ASA .....aspirin

ASCVD ......arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease

ASIS ......anterior superior iliac spine ATFL .....anterior talofibular ligament

A-V .....arterio-venous B .....bilateral

BBB .....bundle branch block
B&B .....bowel & bladder

BE .....below elbow
BID ....twice daily
BK ....below knee

BMI .....below knee
BMI .....body mass index
BMR .....basal metabolic rate

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BM bowel movement
BOS base of support
BPblood pressure
BRP bathroom privileges
BSbreath sounds
BUNblood urea nitrogen
Bxbiopsy
c
Ca <sup>++</sup> ·····calcium
CAcancer
CABGcoronary artery bypass graft
CAD
CBC complete blood count
CCchief complaint
CCEclubbing, claudication, edema
CHFcongestive heart failure
CHIclosed head injury
CKC closed kinetic chain
CNcranial nerve
CNS central nervous system
c/ocomplaints of
COcardiac output
COPDchronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CPcerebral palsy
CPchest pain
CPKcreatine phosphokinase
CPMcontinuous passive motion
CPPclosed packed position
CPRcardiopulmonary resuscitation
CSFcerebral spinal fluid
CTcomputed tomography
CTScarpal tunnel syndrome
Ctx cervical traction
CVAcerebral vascular accident
CXRchest x-ray
D/Cdischarge
DDD degenerative disc disease
DDX differential diagnosis
DFdorsiflexion
DIP distal interphalangeal
DJDdegenerative joint disease





DM .....diabetes mellitus DNR . . . . . . . . . . do not resuscitate DOB . . . . . . . . . date of birth DOE . . . . . . . . . . dyspnea on exertion DPT ......diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus DSD . . . . . . . . . dry sterile dressing DTR .....deep tendon reflexes DVT .....deep vein thrombosis Dx .....diagnosis EAA . . . . . . . . . essential amino acids BL .....estimated blood loss EEG . . . . . . . . . electroencephalogram ECK, EKG .....electrocardiogram EMG .....electromyogram ENT . . . . . . . . . ear, nose, throat EOMI . . . . . . . . extra-ocular motion intact EPB .....extensor pollicis brevis ER .....external rotation ESR .....erythrocyte sedimentation rate ETOH . . . . . . . . ethyl alcohol ev .....eversion Ex .....exercise Ext .....extension F .....frequency FAQ .....full arc guads FB .....feedback f/b .....followed by FCU .....flexor carpi ulnaris FDP .....flexor digitorum profundus FEV .....forced expiratory volume flex .....flexion FOOSH .....fall on outstretched hand FPL .....flexor pollicis longus FRC .....functional residual capacity FUO . . . . . . . . . fever of unknown origin FVC .....forced vital capacity FWB .....full weight bearing Fx .....fracture f/u .....follow-up GB . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . gallbladder

Grav. 1number of pregnancies (para = births)	
GSWgunshot wound	
GTO	
GTT glucose tolerance test	
GU genitourinary	
GXT graded exercise tolerance	
H&Hhematocrit & hemoglobin	
HAheadache	
Hct hematocrit	
HDLhigh density lipoprotein	
HEENThead, ears, eyes, nose, throat	
Hgbhemoglobin	
HIVhuman immunodeficiency virus	
HNP herniated nucleus pulposus	
H/Ohistory of	
HOB head of bed	
HPhot pack	
HPI history of present illness	
HRheart rate	
HTN hypertension	
Hxhistory	
Iindependent	
I + D incision & drainage	
I + Oinput & output	
ICSintercostal space	
ICUintensive care unit	
IDDMinsulin dependent diabetes mellitus	
I/E ratioinspiratory/expiratory ratio	
IMintramuscular	
invinversion	
IPinterphalangeal joint	
IPPB intermittent positive pressure breathing	g
IRinternal rotation	
IRDMinsulin resistant diabetes mellitus	
ITBiliotibial band	
IVintravenous	
JODMjuvenile onset diabetes mellitus	
JRAjuvenile rheumatoid arthritis	
JVDjugular vein distension	
KAFO knee ankle foot orthosis	
KUB kidney, ureter, bladder	





L .....left LBP .....low back pain LBQC . . . . . . . . . large-base quad cane LCL .....lateral collateral ligament LDH . . . . . . . . serum lactic dehydrogenase LE .....lower extremity LKS .....liver, kidney, spleen LLB .....long leg brace LLC .....long leg cast LLQ .....left lower quadrant LMN .....lower motor neuron LMP . . . . . . . . . last menstrual period LOC .....loss of consciousness LOS . . . . . . . . . length of stay LP .....lumbar puncture LTG .....long-term goal LUQ . . . . . . . . . . left upper quadrant MAFO .....molded ankle foot orthosis MAL ....midaxillary line max . . . . . . . . . maximum MCL . . . . . . . midclavicular line MCL . . . . . . . medial collateral ligament MCP .....metacarpal phalangeal MH .....moist heat min .....minimum MI .....myocardial infarction mm .....muscle MMR . . . . . . . . measles, mumps, rubella MMT .....manual muscle test mod . . . . . . . . . moderate MOI . . . . . . . mechanism of injury MRI ......magnetic resonance imaging MRSA .....methicillin-resistant Staph. aureus MS . . . . . . . . . multiple sclerosis MTrP .....myofascial trigger point MTP . . . . . . . . . . metatarsal phalangeal MVA .....motor vehicle accident MWD . . . . . . . . microwave diathermy n/a .....not applicable N + V . . . . . . . . nausea and vomiting NAD .....no acute distress

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NCV . . . . . . . . . nerve conduction velocity ng .....nasogastric NIDDM .....noninsulin dependent diabetes mellitus NKA . . . . . . . . no known allergies NKDA .....no known drug allergies nn .....nerve NPO . . . . . . . . nothing by mouth NSA . . . . . . . . no significant abnormality NSAID . . . . . . . . nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug NSR . . . . . . . . normal sinus rhythm NWB .....non-weight bearing 02 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . oxygen OA . . . . . . . . . osteoarthritis OB . . . . . . . . . obstetrics OKC . . . . . . . . open kinetic chain OOB .....out of bed OPP . . . . . . . . open packed position ORIF .....open reduction, internal fixation OT .....occupational therapy P + A .....percussion and auscultation P + PD . . . . . . . percussion + postural drainage p .....after PA .....posterior-anterior PAC .....premature atrial contraction PAO2 . . . . . . . alveolar oxygen PaO2 .....peripheral arterial oxygen content PAP .....pulmonary artery pressure PCL .....posterior cruciate ligament PD .....postural drainage PDR .....Physicians' Desk Reference PE .....pulmonary embolus PEEP .....positive end expiratory pressure PERLA . . . . . . . . pupils equal reactive to light accommodation PF .....plantar flexion PFT .....pulmonary function tests PID . . . . . . . . . pelvic inflammatory disease PIP . . . . . . . . proximal interphalangeal PMH .....past medical history

PNF .....proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation



P.O. .....by mouth
POD .....post-op day



PR .....pulse rate PRE .....progressive resistive exercises prn . . . . . . . . . as necessary PROM .....passive range of motion PSIS .....posterior superior iliac spine pt .....patient PTB .....patellar tendon bearing PTFL .....posterior talofibular ligament PVC .....premature ventricular contraction PVD .....peripheral vascular disease PWB .....partial weight bearing Px .....problem q2° . . . . . . . . . . every two hours R ....right RA .....rheumatoid arthritis RBC . . . . . . . . red blood count/cells RCL .....radial collateral ligament RHD . . . . . . . . rheumatic heart disease RLQ .....right lower quadrant r/o .....rule out ROM .....range of motion ROS . . . . . review of systems RPE .....rate of perceived exertion RV .....residual volume

RR ...respiratory rate
RUQ ...right upper quadrant
RV ...residual volume
Rx ...treatment
\$\bar{s}\$...without
S ...supervision
S1 ...first heart sound
S2 ...second heart sound
SAQ ...short are quad
SBQC ...small base quad cane
SC ...straight cane
SC ...sternoclavicular
SCI ...spinal cord injury
SCM ...sternocleidomastoid
SGOT ...serum glutamic-oxaloacetic transaminase
SI ...sacroiliac

SLP .....speech & language pathology

SLB .....short leg brace

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SLR .....straight leg raises SOAP ......subjective, objective, assessment, plan SOB . . . . . . . . . short of breath s/p .....status post SPC .....single-point cane STG .....short-term goal SV .....stroke volume SWD .....short wave diathermy Sx .....symptoms S & S . . . . . . . . signs and symptoms TB .....tuberculosis TBI . . . . . . . . . . traumatic brain injury TENS ......transcutaneous electrical neuromuscular stimulation TE .....therapeutic exercise TFCC .....triangular fibrocartilage complex TFL .....tensor fascia latae TFM . . . . . . . . . transverse friction massage THL .....transverse humeral ligament THR .....total hip replacement tid .....three times daily TKE .....terminal knee extension TKR .....total knee replacement TLC .....total lung capacity TMJ . . . . . . . . temporomandibular joint TOS . . . . . . . . . thoracic outlet syndrome TPR .....temperature, pulse, respiration TPR .....total peripheral resistance TTP .....tender to palpation TTWB .....toe touch weight bearing TURP . . . . . . . . transurethral resection of prostate TV .....tidal volume TVH .....total vaginal hysterectomy Tx .....treatment or traction UCHD .....usual childhood disease UCL .....ulnar collateral ligament UE .....upper extremity

ULNT . . . . . . . . upper limb neurodynamic test(s)

UMN .....upper motor neuron
URI .....upper respiratory infection

US .....ultrasound
UTI .....urinary tract infection





VCvital capacity
VMOvastus medialis obliquus
V/Overbal order
VPCventricular precontraction
VSvital signs
VTOverbal telephone order
WBATweight bearing as tolerated
WBCwhite blood count/cells
WBTTweight bearing to tolerance
WBQC wide-base quad cane
WCwheelchair
WFL within functional limits
WNLwithin normal limits
WP whirlpool
XCT
XRTradiation therapy
yoyears old
1° primary
2° secondary
<less td="" than<=""></less>
>greater than
↑increase
↓decrease

### Interpretation of Statistics

### Sensitivity

- True positive rate
- Proportion of patients who have a pathology that the test identifies as positive
- SnNout = Sensitivity, a Negative test rules out the diagnosis
- Calculation = a/(a+c)

### Specificity (SpPin)

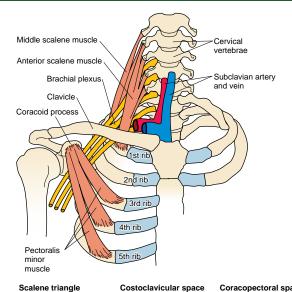
- True negative rate
- Proportion of patients who have a pathology that the test identifies as negative
- SpPin = Specificity, a Positive test rules in the diagnosis
- Calculation = d/(b+d)

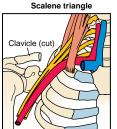
Truth/Gold Standard					
	Present	Absent			
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(-) Test	С	d	c + d		
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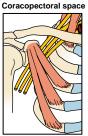


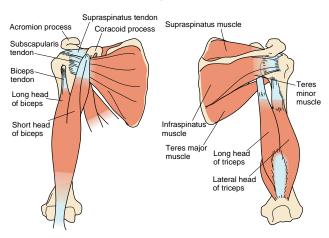
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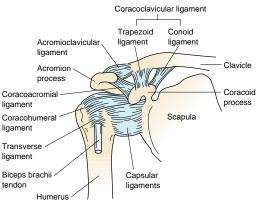




### Brachial plexus







### **Medical Red Flags**

### Pericarditis

- Sharp anterior chest & shoulder pain
- 1 temp, HR, RR

### Cardiac ischemia

- Neck, jaw, left arm, & chest pain
- SOB
- Palpitations
- ↑ BP
- Syncope

### Pulmonary pathology

- Neck, shoulder, mid-thorax pain
- Cough
- Fever
- Shallow & ↑ RR

### Sources of right shoulder/scapula pain

- Gallstones—8Fs
  - Fertile = 3rd trimester of pregnancy
  - Female
  - Fat
  - FortyFair
  - Food–fatty intake
  - Family history
  - Flatulence
- Peptic ulcer (lateral border of scapula)
- Diaphragm
- Liver abscess, hepatic tumor

### Sources of left shoulder painMI

- Diaphragm
  - Ruptured spleen
  - Pancreas

### **Toolbox Test**

Shoulder Pain & Disability Index	(SPADI)				
Pain Scale: How severe is your pain?  0 = no pain10 = worse pain imaginable					
At its worst?	012345678910				
When lying on the involved side?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Reaching for something on a high shelf?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Touching the back of your neck?	012345678910				
Pushing with the involved arm?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Disability Scale: How much difficulty do you have  0 = no pain10 = worse pain imaginable					
Washing your hair?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Washing your back?	012345678910				
Putting on an undershirt or pullover sweater?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Putting in a shirt that buttons down the front?	012345678910				
Putting on your pants?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Placing an object on a high shelf?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Carrying a heavy object of 10 pounds?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Removing something from your back pocket?	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10				
Pain Scale Score: Disability Scale Score: Total Score:					
Scoring: Summate the scores & divide by the number of scores possible. If an item is deemed not applicable, no score is calculated. Multiple the total score by 100. The higher the score, the greater the impairment.					

Source: From Roach, KE, Buudimanmak, E, Songsirideg, N, Yongsuk, L. (1991).

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your normal social activities with family, friends, neighbors, or groups?	extent has your arm, shoulder, or hand problem interfered with	7. During the past week, to what		hand (golf, hammering, tennis, etc.)	you take some force or impact	6. Recreational activities in which	5. Use a knife to cut food	4. Wash your back	3. Carry a shopping bag or briefcase	Do heavy household chores     (wash walls, floors)	1. Open a tight or new jar	Please rate your ability to do the following activities in the last week by circling the number below the appropriate response.	Quick DASH (Disabilities of the Arm, Shoulder, & Hand)
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		2	Slightly			2	2	2	2	2	2	Mild Difficulty	ne Arm, S
		ω	Moderately			ω	ω	з	ω	ω	ω	Moderate Difficulty	houlder, 8
		4	Quite A Bit			4	4	4	4	4	4	Severe Difficulty	k Hand)
		51	Extremely			51	5	5	5	ហ	5	Unable	

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Quick DASH Score = [(sum of responses/number of responses) – 1 ] $\times$ 25 A Quick DASH score cannot be calculated if more than 1 item is not answered	11. During the past week, how much difficulty have you had sleeping because of the pain in your arm, shoulder, or hand?		10. Tingling (pins & needles) in your arm, shoulder, or hand	9. Arm, shoulder, or hand pain	Please rate the severity of the following symptoms in the last week.	8. During the past week, were you limited in your work or other regular daily activities as a result of your arm, shoulder, or hand problem?		Quick DASH (Disabilities of the Arm, Shoulder, & Hand)—cont'd
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### **Referral Patterns**

### **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**





Supraspinatus





Infraspinatus

57 Subscapularis





**Teres Minor** 



Biceps Brachii



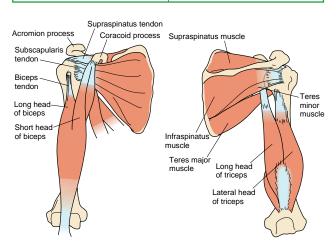
### **Palpation Pearls**

### **Rotator Cuff Muscles**

Supraspinatus With UE back in maximal extension & IR, palpate from the supraspinatus fossa to the tendon anterior to a-c joint

Subscapularis In side-lying, maneuver the relaxed UE to allow you to slide your thumb under the axillary/lateral border of the scapula Infraspinatus In prone on elbows, palpate posterior-lateral of acromion (just inferior to inferior angle of acromion)

Teres Minor In prone on elbows, palpate just inferior to infraspinatus



### **ROM**

### **Rotational Lack**

- Reach overhead (left figure) as far as possible down the back & mark the most inferior point of the fingers.
- Reach up the back as far as possible (right figure) & mark the most superior point of the fingers.
- Measure distance between the marks. This is the rotational lack.





### **Apley Scratch Test for Quick Screen**

### 3 components:

- 1. Hand to opposite shoulder
- 2. Hand behind back to opposite scapula
- 3. Hand behind back to inferior angle of opposite scapula







Capsular Patterns				
Location of Capsular Tightness	Mobility Deficits			
Posterior capsule	<ul> <li>↓ Horizontal adduction, IR, &amp; end range flexion</li> <li>↓ Posterior glide</li> </ul>	Weak ER     Poor scapular stability		
Posterior-inferior capsule	• ↓ Elevation, IR, & horizontal adduction			
Posterior-superior capsule	• ↓ IR			
Anterior-superior capsule	↓ End range flexion & extension,     ↓ ER & horizontal abduction	Weak RC     (+) NTPT     Night pain		
Anterior capsule	↓ Abduction, extension, ER, & horizontal adduction			

### Osteokinematics of the Shoulder

Normal ROM	ОРР	СРР	Normal End-feel(s)	Abnormal End-feel(s)
Elevation 165°–170° IR/ER 180° total Scapulo- Humeral Rhythm	55°–70° abduction 30° horizontal abduction	Maximal abduction & ER	Abduction = elastic Scaption = elastic IR/ER = elastic/ firm Horiz add = soft tissue Extension = firm	Empty = subacromial bursitis Hard capsular = frozen shoulder Capsular = ER > abduction > IR
2:1 (120°:60°)			Horiz abd = firm/ elastic	

### **Arthrokinematics for Shoulder Mobilization**

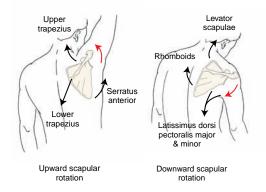
Joint		To facilitate elevation: Humeral head spins posterior	To facilitate abduction: Humeral head rolls superior & glides inferior/posterior
<u>a</u>	Concave surface: Glenoid fossa	To facilitate IR: Humeral head rolls posterior & glides anterior	To facilitate ER: Humeral head rolls anterior & glides posterior
Glenohume	Convex surface: Humeral head	To facilitate horizontal adduction: Humeral head rolls medial & glides lateral on glenoid	To facilitate horizontal abduction: Humeral head rolls lateral & glides medial on glenoid

<u>=</u>	Convex surface: Medial clavicle Concave surface: Disk & manubrium	To facilitate elevation: Lateral clavicle rolls upward & medial clavicle glides inferior on disk & manubrium	To facilitate depression: Lateral clavicle rolls down- ward & medial clavicle glides superior on disk & manubrium
Sternoclavi		To facilitate retraction: Medial clavicle & disk rolls & glides posterior on manubrium	To facilitate protraction: Medial clavicle & disk rolls & glides anterior on manubrium

### Strength & Function

### **Force Couples of the Shoulder**

- Elevation = trapezius, rhomboid, SA
- Upward rotation = upper/lower trapezius & SA
- Abduction = supraspinatus, subscapularis, & deltoid
- Downward rotation = lower trapezius, latissimus, & pectoralis minor
- Stabilization of the humeral head = RC & long head of biceps



### Neuromuscular Relationships of the Cervical Spine

Root	Nerve	Muscle	Sensation	Reflex
C3-4	Spinal accessory	Trapezius	Ø	Ø
C5	Dorsal scapular	Levator scapula Rhomboids	Ø	Ø
C5-6	Lateral pectoral	Pectoralis major Pectoralis minor	Ø	Ø
C5-6	Subscapular	Subscapular Teres major	Ø	Ø
C5-6	Long thoracic	Serratus anterior	Ø	Ø
C5-6	Suprascapular	Supraspinatus Infraspinatus	Top of shoulder	Ø
C5-6	Axillary	Deltoid Teres minor	Deltoid Anterior shoulder	Ø
C5-7	Musculocutaneous	Coracobrachialis Biceps & brachialis	Lateral forearm	Biceps
C5-T1	Radial	Triceps Wrist ext/finger flex	Dorsum of hand	Triceps
C6-7	Thoracodorsal	Latissimus dorsi	Ø	Ø



### **Brachial Plexus—Roots, Muscles, & Function**

Nerve	Root	Muscle	Function
Radial	C5–8, T1	Anconeus, brachioradialis, ECRL, ECRB, extensor digitorum, APL, ECU, extensor indices, extensor digiti minimi	<ul> <li>Weak supination, wrist extensors, finger flexors, thumb abductors</li> <li>Weak grip due to loss of wrist stabilization</li> </ul>
Median	C6–8, T1	Pronator teres, FCR, palmaris longus, FDS, FPL, pronator quadratus, thenar eminence, lateral 2 lumbricales	<ul> <li>Weak pronation, wrist flexion &amp; RD</li> <li>Weak thumb flexion &amp; abduction</li> <li>Weak grip &amp; pinch</li> <li>Ape hand</li> </ul>
Ulnar	C7–8, T1	FCU, palmaris brevis, hypothenar eminence, adductor pollicis, medial 2 lumbricales, interossei	<ul> <li>Weak wrist flexion &amp; UD</li> <li>Weak 5th finger flexion</li> <li>Weak finger abd/ adduction</li> <li>Benediction sign</li> </ul>

### **Special Tests**

### **Neural Tissue Provocation Tests**

See Alerts/Alarms-page 14.

### Shoulder Tests

### EMPTY CAN TEST

Purpose: Test supraspinatus muscle

Position: Seated

Technique: Elevate UE 30°-45° in plane of the scapula with IR, resist elevation

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain &/or

weakness

Statistics: Pain: sensitivity = 44%-100% & speci-

ficitv = 50%-99%

Weakness: sensitivity = 77% & specificity = 68%



Source: From Gulick, D., 2008, page 108.

### FULL CAN TEST

Purpose: Test supraspinatus muscle

Position: Seated

Technique: Elevate UE 30°-45° in plane of the

scapula with ER, resist elevation

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain &/or weakness

Statistics: Pain: sensitivity = 66% & specificity = 64%

Weakness: sensitivity = 77% & specificity = 74%



Source: From Gulick, D., 2008, page 109.

### DROPPING SIGN

Purpose: Test infraspinatus muscle

Position: Seated

Technique: Shoulder at side with 45° of IR & 90° elbow flexion, resist ER Interpretation: + test = reproduction

of pain &/or weakness

Statistics: Sensitivity = 20%-42% &

specificity = 69%-100%



Source: From Gulick, D., 2008, page 109.

### HORNBLOWER'S (PATTE TEST)

Purpose: Test teres minor muscle

Position: Seated

Technique: Shoulder in 90° abd & elbow flexed so that the hand comes to the mouth (blowing a horn)

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain &/or inability to maintain UE in ER



Source: From Gulick, D., 2008, page 110.

### RENT SIGN

Purpose: Diagnosis RC tears Position: Seated with UF in full ext & clinician's hand under the

flexed elbow

Technique: Stand behind pt with fingertips in the anterior margin of the acromion; IR/ER UE & palpate for an eminence & a rent; compare bilaterally Interpretation: + test = presence

of a palpable defect in RC Statistics: Sensitivity = 95% & specificity = 96%



### GERBER'S LIFT-OFF SIGN

Purpose: Test subscapularis muscle

Position: Seated

Technique: Hand in the curve of

lumbar spine, resist IR

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain &/or weakness;

inability to lift off

Statistics: Sensitivity = 62%-89% & specificity = 98%-100%; tears >75% are often required to pro-

duce a + test



Source: From Gulick, D., 2008, page 110.

#### BELLY PRESS OR NAPOLEON SIGN

Purpose: Test subscapularis muscle Position: Seated with hand on belly Technique: Press the hand into belly Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain &/or inability to IR; substitution may result in UE elevation or wrist flexion

Statistics: Sensitivity = 25%-40% & specificity = 98%; tears >50% are often required to produce a + test



Source: From Gulick, D., 2008, page 111.

#### BEAR-HUG TEST

Purpose: Test subscapularis muscle Position: Seated with palm of hand on opposite shoulder (elbow in front of body)

Technique: Resist IR by attempting

to pull hand off the shoulder Interpretation: + test = inability to hold the hand against the shoulder or weakness >20% of contralateral UE Statistics: Sensitivity = 60% & specificity= 92%; tears of 30% can be

detected with this test



### HAWKINS/KENNEDY TEST

Purpose: Test for impingement

Position: Seated

Technique: Place shoulder in 90° of flexion, slight hori-

zontal adduction, & maximal IR

Interpretation: + test = shoulder pain due to impingement of supraspinatus between greater tuberosity against coracoacromial arch

Statistics: Sensitivity = 72%-92% & specificity =

25%-66%



#### NEER'S TEST

Purpose: Test for impingement

Position: Seated

Technique: Passively take UE into full shoulder flexion

with humerus in IR

Interpretation: + test = pain may be indicative of impingement of the supraspinatus or long head of

the biceps

Statistics: Sensitivity = 68%-95% & specificity = 25%-68%

25%-68%

### IMPINGEMENT RELIEF TEST

Purpose: Confirm impingement

Position: Seated

Technique: Perform an inferior glide of GH joint while elevating UE to

Neer position

Interpretation: + test = reduction or no pain when elevation is accompanied by an inferior glide

#### SULCUS SIGN

Purpose: Assess for inferior instability or AC px

Position: Sitting with shoulder in neutral & elbow flexed to 90°

ilexed to 90

Technique: Palpate shoulder joint line while using proximal forearm as a lever to inferiorly distract humerus

Interpretation: + test  $= \ge 1$  finger-width gap @ the

shoulder joint line or AC joint

### APPREHENSION TEST

Purpose: Assess for anterior instability

Position: Supine

Technique: Abduct the shoulder to 90° & then

begin to ER

Interpretation: + test = pain or apprehension by the client to assume this position for fear

of shoulder dislocation



#### JERK TEST

Purpose: Assess posterior instability

Position: Sitting with UE in IR & flexed to 90°

Technique: Grasp client's elbow & load the humerus proximal while pas-

sively moving the UE into horizontal adduction

Interpretation: + test = a sudden ierk/clunk as the humeral head subluxes posteriorly; a second ierk/clunk may occur when the UE is returned to the abducted position

Statistics: Sensitivity = 73% & specificity = 90%

### SPEED'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for biceps tendonitis

or labrum problem

Position: Seated with shoulder elevated 75°-90° in the sagittal plane, elbow extended. & forearm supinated

Technique: Resist elevation

Interpretation: + test = pain with biceps tendonitis & sense of instability with

labral px

Statistics: Sensitivity = 9%-100% & specificity = 61%-87%



Purpose: Assess labrum

Position: Supine in 90°-120° of shoulder abduction & 90° of elbow flexion

Technique: Load the biceps by resisting

elbow flexion/supination

Interpretation: + test = biceps tugs on labrum (SLAP) & reproduces pain Statistics: Sensitivity = 91% & specificity = 97%



#### PAIN PROVOCATION TEST

Purpose: Assess labrum

Position: Supine in 90° shoulder

abduction & 90° elbow flexion

Technique: Traction the biceps by passively taking the forearm into

maximal pronation

Interpretation: + test = biceps will tug on labrum & reproduces the pain in the superior region of the joint line

(superior labrum)

Statistics: Sensitivity = 17%-100% & specificity = 90%



Purpose: Assess labrum

Position: Seated with UE elevated to

160° & elbow flexed to 90°

Technique: Administer compression down the humerus while performing

IR/ER

Interpretation: + test = pain or clicking Statistics: Sensitivity = 39%-91% & specificity = 67%-93% (greater accu-

racy than MRI)



### KIM TEST

Purpose: Assess labrum

Position: Seated with UE elevated to ~130° in the plane of the scapula &

the elbow flexed to 90°

Technique: Apply a compressive force thru the humerus

Interpretation: + test = pain or clicking

Statistics: Sensitivity = 80%-82% & specificity = 86%-94%

#### O'BRIEN'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for labrum or AC joint problem

Position: Seated with UE in 90° of elevation, 10° of horiz add, & maximal

IR (pronation)

Technique: Resist elevation in IR then repeat in ER (supination)

Interpretation: + test = pain in IR > ER; pain "inside" shoulder is labrum &

pain "on top" of shoulder is AC

Statistics: Sensitivity = 47%-100% & specificity = 41%-98%





#### YERGASON'S TEST

Purpose: Assess THL

Position: Seated with shoulder in neutral, elbow flexed to 90°, & fore-

arm supinated

Technique: Resist elbow flexion with

supination

Interpretation: + test = pain with tenosynovitis; clicking or snapping with torn THL (with resistance from

pronation to supination)

Statistics: Sensitivity = 9%-37% & specificity = 86%-96%





#### AC SHEAR TEST

Purpose: Assess for AC sprain Position: Seated; UE at side

Technique: Clinician interlaces fingers & surrounds the AC joint; squeezing the hands together com-

presses the AC joint

Interpretation: + test = pain or excessive mov't is

indicative of damage to the AC ligaments

Statistics: Sensitivity = 100% & specificity = 97%



### CORACOCLAVICULAR LIGAMENT TEST

Purpose: Assess CC ligament

Position: Side-lying on the unaffected side

Technique: Place affected UE behind back, palpate CC ligament while stabilizing clavicle; pulling inferior angle of scapula away from ribs to stress the conoid portion; pulling medial border of scapula away from the ribs

stresses the trapezoid portion Interpretation: + test = pain





### CROSS-BODY ADDUCTION TEST

Purpose: Assess for AC

Position: Seated

Technique: Shoulder flexed to 90°, horizontally

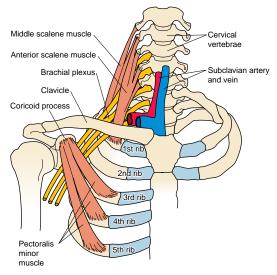
adduct the UE

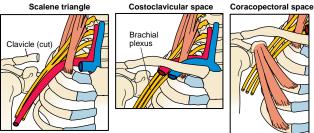
Interpretation: + test = pain @ AC joint

Statistics: Sensitivity = 100% & specificity = 97%



### **Thoracic Outlet Syndrome (TOS) Compression Sites**





### **TOS Tests** "Rule of the Thumb" = Rotation of the head follows the direction of the thumb

#### ADSON'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for TOS @ scalene triangle

Position: Seated

Technique: While palpating radial pulse, move UE into abd, ext, & ER, then client rotates head toward the involved side, takes a deep breath & holds it Interpretation: + test = absent or diminished radial

pulse with symptoms reproduced Statistics: Specificity = 74%-89%



#### WRIGHT'S HYPERABDUCTION TEST

Purpose: Assess for TOS @ coracoid/rib & under

pectoralis minor Position: Seated

Technique: While palpating radial pulse, passively abduct UE to 180° in ER, have client take a deep

breath & hold it

Interpretation: + test = absent or diminished radial pulse with symptoms reproduced

Statistics: Pulse: sensitivity = 70% & specificity = 53% Pain: sensitivity = 90% & specificity = 29%



### MILITARY BRACE (COSTOCLAVICULAR) TEST

Purpose: Assess for TOS @ 1st rib & clavicle

Position: Seated

Technique: While palpating radial pulse, retract shoulders into extension & abduction with the neck in hyperextension (exaggerated military posture) Interpretation: + test = absent or diminished radial pulse or symptoms reproduced



#### ALLEN'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for TOS @ pectoralis

minor

Position: Seated

Technique: In 90° shoulder abduction & 90° elbow flexion, turn head away, take

a deep breath & hold it

Interpretation: + test = absent or diminished radial pulse with symptoms

reproduced



### ROOS' TEST-Elevated Arm Stress Test (EAST)

Purpose: Assess for TOS

Position: Seated with UEs at 90° of shoulder abduction, ER, & elbow flexion.
Technique: Open & close hands repeat-

edly for 3 minutes

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of symptoms or sensation of heaviness of the UEs (record time of onset of symptoms)

symptoms)

Statistics: Sensitivity = 82%-84 & specificity = 30%-100%;

Combination of TOS tests	Sensitivity	Specificity
Adson's + Wright's (pain)	79	76
Adson's + Roos'	72	82
Adson's + Hyperabd (pain)	72	88
Adson's + Wright's (pulse)	54	94
Wright's (pain) + Roos'	83	47
Wright's (pain) + Hyperabd (pain)	83	50
Wright's (pulse) + Hyperabd (pulse)	63	69



# TOS—Differentiation Between Vascular & Neural Components

Vascular Components	Neural Components
<ul> <li>(+) Adson's, Wright's, Allen's, Roos', military press test</li> <li>Hand or arm edema</li> <li>Discoloration or UE claudication</li> <li>Change in skin temperature or texture</li> <li>Difference of &gt;20 mm Hg in DBP between UEs</li> <li>Poor tolerance of cold &amp; activity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Muscle weakness</li> <li>Pain with SB of C-spine</li> <li>Sensory changes along a neurological distribution, i.e., radial or ulnar nerve</li> <li>(+) Neural tissue provocation tests</li> </ul>

**Differential Diagnosis** 

	TOS	C-disc	Shoulder	Cubital tunnel	Carpal tunnel
Pain	Intermittent neck,	Sharp, constant	Shoulder &	Elbow & medial	Intermittent
	shoulder, arm	neck & UE	proximal UE	hand	lateral hand
Headache	(+)	(-)	(-)	(–)	Ī
Numbness	Whole UE	Respective	Not common	Ulnar distribution	Median
		dermatome			distribution
Edema	Possible	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal
Color	May be abnormal	May be	Normal	Normal	May be
		abnormal			abnormal
Provocation	<b>UE</b> elevation	Neck positions	Activity	Elbow pressure	Muscle
					cramping
					w/sustained
					grasp
Muscle	Weak triceps &	Specific	Weak RC	Ulnar	Median
strength	RC	myotomes		innervations	innervations
(+) Tests	NTPT, Adson's,	Spurling's,	RC &	Tinel's (elbow),	Phalens, CTS,
	Allen's, military press, Roos'	NTPT	impingement	NTPT	Tinel's (wrist)



Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Breast Cancer	Palpable mass/nodule in breast tissue     Nipple discharge, retraction, & local skin dimpling     Erythema, local rash     Confirmed with mammogram; biopsy
Thoracic Outlet Syndrome—results from compression of any one of many sites 2° postural or muscular imbalances or osseous anomalies. May be due to vascular (only 5%–10%) or neural compression; locations of compression include: sternocostovertebral space, scalene triangle, costoclavicular space, & coracopectoral space; most common in middle-aged female or after surgery  See "Neural vs Vascular Table" on page 76 for differential diagnosis.	<ul> <li>Kyphotic posture &amp; forward head</li> <li>Awakened @ night with pins &amp; needles in hand</li> <li>Poorly localized aching pain</li> <li>Tenderness in the suprascapular fossa</li> <li>Pain with carrying heavy objects</li> <li>(+) Tests: NTPT, Adson's, Wright's, military brace, Roos' &amp; Allen's</li> <li>DBP &gt; 20 mm Hg difference between arms</li> <li>A/P x-ray needed to r/o cervical rib (very rare)</li> <li>EMG results are controversial</li> <li>Need to r/o CTS, radiculopathy, pronator syndrome</li> </ul>
Glenohumeral Dislocation—anterior is most common (90%); mechanism is FOOSH	Prominent acromion, flattened shoulder silhouette, prominent humeral head Injured posture: shoulder IR & slightly abducted, elbow flexed, forearm pronated, UE supported by contralateral limb Sharp, stabbing pain, muscle guarding, humeral head is palpable anteriorly or inferiorly in the armpit  (+) Tests: Apprehension test & sulcus sign X-ray—Hill-Sachs lesion may be visible in A/P view with UE in IR; Bankart lesion in Garth view Need to r/o humeral neck fracture in elderly

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Clavicular Fracture—results from a fall on the shoulder or a direct blow to the clavicle  Acromioclavicular Sprain—may result from a fall on the acromion & FOOSH  See "Acromioclavicular Sprain Grades" on page 82.	Can't raise arm Visual deformity & TTP Confirmed with x-ray  Pain & crepitus on palpation & visual deformity (+) Tests: Cross body adduction, O'Brien's, AC shear, & sulcus/AC tx Confirmed with bilateral A/P x-ray in ER with & without a 10–15 lb weight (stress films) Need to r/o impingement
Labral Tear—may result from FOOSH, traction force on the shoulder, or a strong biceps contraction	Pain with IR & adduction Weakness with abduction & flexion Client reports a sense of instability (+) Tests: Speed's test, O'Brien's, biceps load, pain provocation, & crank Confirmed with CT or MRI; CT double contrast is more accurate than MRI
Subacromial Bursitis—chronic irritation resulting from trauma or poor biomechanics; may occur in middle-aged or older clients after an unusual bout of activity; hx of tendonitis	Swift onset of severe pain; localized to deltoid insertion Noncapsular end-feel with no limitation in rotation (position of choice is adduction) If bursitis exists in isolation (not common) then passive ROM is painful (noncontractile structure) & resistive motions are not painful (except in 50°–130° range where the contracting tendon compresses the bursa)  (+) Tests: Hawkins/Kennedy, Neer's & Impingement relief Subacromial bursa warm & TTP (position UE into passive extension to palpate bursa)  Imaging is of little value unless calcification has occurred; need to r/o RC tear & impingement

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Bicipital Tendonitis—chronic irritation resulting from trauma or poor biomechanics Forward head contributes to abnormal scapulo-humeral rhythm	<ul> <li>Pain ↑ @ night; TTP localized to biceps tendon @10° of IR (places tendon directly anterior &amp; ~6 cm below acromion)</li> <li>Active elevation results in a painful arc; crepitus</li> <li>(+) Speed's test; (-) Yergason for click but painful</li> <li>X-ray: bicipital groove view will reveal medial wall angle, spurs, degenerative changes; caudal tilt view will reveal spurring</li> <li>Often associated with RC impingement</li> </ul>
Calcific Tendonitis—cyclic problem of calcification = deposition & resorption with unknown etiology (may be related to tissue hypoxia) Occurs in ♀ > ♂; R > L; 40–50 yo	■ ↓ ROM with painful arc 70°-110° & sensation of catching when going thru ROM  (+) Speed's test ■ During deposition: chronic mildmoderate discomfort, throbbing unrelieved by rest ■ During resorption: acute ↑ in pain; sharp & localized ■ Confirmed by A/P film in neutral Need to r/o impingement & adhesive capsulitis
Rotator Cuff Strain—results from mechanical compression OR tensile overload (eccentric microtears); partial thickness tears occur 25–40 yo & full thickness tears >60 yo RC has limited resiliency for self-repair Contributing factors: Posture—forward head influences GH alignment Antero-inferior capsule tightness = ↓ ER Posterior capsule tightness = ↑ superior & anterior translation of humeral head	Painful arc with UE motion; night pain; deep ache Crepitus Weakness: abduction +/or ER; protective shoulder hike (+) Special tests depending on muscle involved—empty/full can (supraspinatus), lift-off or belly press/Napoleon (subscapularis), hornblowers (teres minor), dropping sign (infraspinatus); (+) O'Brien's test Strength imbalance (ER MMT should be 60%—70% of IR)

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
	X-ray may be normal with small tears; partial tears = superior humeral displacement may be evident with ER; full-thickness tear = narrowed acromiohumeral interval & osteophytes on anterior/inferior acromion Diagnostic ultrasound is reliable for tears > 1 cm Arthrography with contrast = Geyser's sign (painful) MRI is noninvasive but CT double contrast is more accurate than MRI for full thickness RC tears
Supraspinatus Impingement—results from a progressive loss of humeral depressor mechanism (infraspinatus, subscapularis, teres minor, & long head of biceps) 2° overuse, cervical px, postural px, abnormal biomechanics, or structural px with acromion Microtrauma results from IR during overhead tennis stroke, swim, throwing; shoulder instability; tight pectoralis minor or weak lower trap & SA allows tipping of scapula with shoulder elevation to ↓ subacromial space to impingement	■ Pain (especially when sleeping on affected side) ■ Painful arc (60°-120° of elevation) ■ Pain & weakness in supraspinatus & biceps ■ "Catching" with flexion in IR ■ Pain referral pattern = deltoid insertion & anterior/proximal humerus ■ Little to no TTP ■ ROM ↓ IR & horizontal adduction ■ Posterior capsule tightness; pain with PROM ■ (+) Tests: Neer's, Hawkins-Kennedy, Speed's, empty/full can, & Yocum ■ X-rays may reveal ↓ joint space, arthritis, calcific tendonitis, hooked acromion; early dx is via MRI ■ Should r/o RC tear, TOS, labral tear, & calcific tendonitis
Coracoid Impingement—subacromial arch boundaries = acromion, coracoid, & coracoacromial ligament; houses supraspinatus, long head of biceps, subacromial bursa, coracohumeral ligament; hooked acromion; results from repetitive tasks with UE IR; poor posture	<ul> <li>Dull pain in the front of the shoulder provoked by flexion &amp; IR OR abduction &amp; IR</li> <li>Weak downward rotators of scapula</li> <li>Forward head &amp; kyphosis influences GH alignment</li> <li>(+) Tests: Neer's, Hawkins-Kennedy, &amp; impingement relief</li> </ul>



Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
	<ul> <li>X-ray will detect ↓ joint space &amp; hooked acromion</li> <li>Should r/o RC tear, TOS, labral tear, &amp; calcific tendonitis</li> </ul>
Adhesive Capsulitis—self-limiting disorder of unknown etiology; high incidence in DM & associated with old Colles fx; proliferation of collagen results in thickening of inferior capsule & loss of capsular folds; most common in 2 40–70 yo See "Stages & Presentation of Adhesive Capsulitis" on page 83.	<ul> <li>Pain radiating to elbow; night pain</li> <li>Kyphotic posture, shoulder hiking, low-grade inflammatory response</li> <li>Empty end-feel; J accessory movement</li> <li>ROM limitations: ER &gt; abduction &gt; IR &amp; reverse scapulohumeral rhythm (scapular 2: humeral 1)</li> <li>Unable to sleep on affected side; MTrP subscapularis</li> <li>Contrast arthrography = 50% reduction in shoulder joint volume (5–10 mL instead of 20–30 mL); plain films only reveal osteoporosis 2° to disuse atrophy</li> </ul>

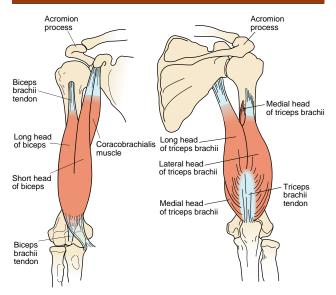
# Acromioclavicular Sprain Grades

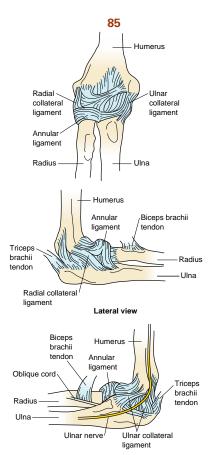
Grade	Presentation
Normal	Acromion to clavicle space should be ~ 0.3–0.8 cm Inferior clavicle to coracoid distance should be 1.0–1.3 cm
1st degree injury	AC joint space >0.8 cm & pain with horizontal adduction & elevation; (+) AC shear test
2nd degree injury	AC joint space 1.0–1.5 cm & CC distance increased by 25%–50%
3rd degree injury	AC joint space >1.5 cm & CC distance increased by >50% with a step deformity

## **Stages & Presentation of Adhesive Capsulitis**

Stage	Clinical Findings	Arthroscopic Findings	Intervention
I—Freezing	Continual increase in pain (before end-range)     ↓ A & PROM	Erythematous, fibri- nous pannus over the synovium in the axillary fold	Least aggressive:  Modalities Gentle AROM—Codman's Grade I & Il mobilizations
II—Frozen	↓ pain     ↓ A & PROM     Impaired GH     accessory &     physiological     mov't     Impaired     SH rhythm	Thickened synovium with adhesions developing across the folds	Moderately aggressive: • Modalities • AROM • Gentle PROM • Grade III & IV mobilizations
III—Thawing	• Pain with stretching only, ↑ acces- sory & physio- logic motion, return of SH rhythm & ADLs	Loss of joint space, humeral head is compressed against glenoid, & axillary fold is reduced by 50%	Most aggressive:  • Modalities  • PROM  • Grade III &  IV mobilizations  • PREs

### Anatomy





Medial view

### **Referral Patterns**

### **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

Brachioradialis

Biceps brachii









Flexor carpi radialis

Flexor carpi ulnaris

### **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

Extensor carpi ulnaris

Extensor carpi radialis longus





Extensor carpi radialis brevis



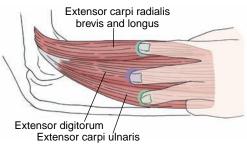
### Visual Inspection

- Carrying angle of the elbow
  - 10°-15° valgus in ♀
  - 5°-10° valgus in ♂

### **Palpation Pearls**

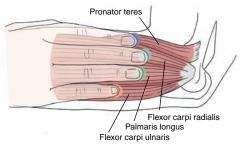
### **Wrist Extensor Muscles**





### Wrist Flexor Muscles





### **Osteokinematics of the Elbow**

Normal	ROM	ОРР	СРР	Normal End-feel(s)	Abnormal End-feel(s)
Flexion >135°	Humero- ulnar	70° flex 10° sup	full ext full sup	Flexion = soft tissue or bony	Boggy = joint effusion
	Humero- radial	full ext full sup	90° flex 5° sup	approximation Extension = bony approximation	Capsular = flex > ext
Pronation & Supination 80°–90° each	Superior radio- ulnar	70° flex 35° sup	5° sup	Supination = ligamentous Pronation = bony approximation or ligamentous	Capsular = pronation & supination equally limited

### **Arthrokinematics for Elbow Mobilization**

Humero- ulnar	Concave surface: Trochlear notch of ulna Convex surface: Trochlea of humerus	To facilitate flexion: OKC = radius & ulna roll & glide anterior & medial on humerus	To facilitate extension: OKC = radius & ulna roll & glide posterior & lateral on humerus
Humero- radial	Concave surface: Radial head Convex surface: Capitulum of humerus		
Superior/ proximal radio- ulnar	Concave surface: Radial notch of ulna Convex surface: Radial head	To facilitate pronation: Radius spins medial & glides anterior on ulna	To facilitate supination: Radius spins laterally on ulna

### **Strength & Function**

## **Brachial Plexus-Roots, Muscles, & Function**

Nerve	Root	Muscle	Functional Deficits
Median	C6-8, T1	Pronator teres, FCR, palmaris longus, FDS, FPL, pronator quadra- tus, thenar eminence, lateral 2 lumbricales	<ul> <li>Weak pronation, wrist flexion, &amp; RD</li> <li>Weak thumb flexion &amp; abduction</li> <li>Weak grip &amp; pinch</li> <li>Ape hand</li> </ul>
Ulnar	C7–8, T1	FCU, palmaris brevis, hypothenar eminence, adductor pollicis, medial 2 lumbricales, interossei	<ul> <li>Weak wrist flexion &amp; UD</li> <li>Weak 5th finger flexion</li> <li>Weak finger abd/adductor</li> <li>Benediction sign</li> </ul>
Radial	C5–8, T1	Anconeus, brachiora- dialis, ECRL, ECRB, extensor digitorum, APL, ECU, extensor indicis, extensor digiti minimi	<ul> <li>Weak supination, wrist extension, finger flexion, thumb abduction</li> <li>Weak grip due to loss of wrist stabilization</li> </ul>

### **Brachial Plexus-Roots, Muscles, Deficits, & Deformities**

Nerve & Root	Muscles	Functional Deficits	Postural Deformity
Radial C5–8 T1	Anconeus, brachioradialis, ECRL, ECRB, extensor digitorum, APL, ECU, extensor indicis, extensor digiti minimi	<ul> <li>Weak supination, wrist ext, finger flex, thumb abd</li> <li>Weak grip due to loss of wrist stabilization</li> </ul>	
Median C6–8 T1	Pronator teres, FCR, palmaris long, FDS, FPL, pronator quad- ratus, thenar eminence, lateral 2 lumbricales	<ul> <li>Weak pronation, wrist flex, &amp; RD</li> <li>Weak thumb flex &amp; abd</li> <li>Weak grip &amp; pinch</li> <li>Ape hand</li> </ul>	
Ulnar C7–8 T1	FCU, palmaris brevis, hypothenar eminence, adductor pollicis, medial 2 lumbricales, interossei	<ul> <li>Weak wrist flex &amp; UD</li> <li>Weak 5th finger flex</li> <li>Weak finger abd/add</li> <li>Benediction sign (Bishop's deformity)</li> </ul>	7760

Source for top figure: From Levangie, PK, & Norkin, CC. Joint Structure & Function: A Comprehensive Analysis. 3rd ed. FA Davis, Philadelphia, 2001, page 107.

### **Special Tests**

### **Neural Tissue Provocation Tests**

See Alerts/Alarms page 14.

### **Elbow Tests**

#### VARUS STRESS

Purpose: Assess LCL/RCL

Position: Elbow slightly flexed, humerus stabilized proximal to elbow (testing in prone enhances

stabilization)

Technique: Apply a varus force to joint line to stress

LCL

Interpretation: + test = pain or joint gapping/instability

#### VALGUS STRESS

Purpose: Assess MCL/UCL

Position: Elbow slightly flexed, humerus stabilized proximal to elbow (testing in prone enhances

stabilization)

Technique: Apply a valgus force to joint line to stress

MCL

Interpretation: + test = pain or joint gapping/instability

### ACTIVE ELBOW TEST

Purpose: Assess MCL/UCL

Position: Sitting with shoulder in 90° abduction & elbow in full flexion

Technique: Apply a valgus force to elbow to take shoulder into full ER & while maintaining valgus force, quickly

extend the elbow

Interpretation: + test = medial elbow pain

between 120° & 70° of elbow motion





#### PRONATOR TERES TEST

Purpose: Assess for median nerve entrapment Position: UE relaxed in supported position Technique: Resist pronation of forearm

Interpretation: + test = pain along the palmar aspect of digits 1, 2, & 3

(median nerve distribution)

#### MILL'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for lateral epicondylitis Position: UE relaxed, elbow extended

Technique: Passively stretch into wrist flexion &

pronation

Interpretation: + test = pain @ lateral epicondyle or proximal musculotendinous junction of wrist

extensors

### COZEN'S SIGN

Purpose: Assess for lateral epicondylitis Position: UE relaxed, elbow extended

Technique: Resist supination & wrist extension OR resist middle finger

extension (extensor digitorum)

Interpretation: + test = pain @ lateral epicondyle or proximal musculo-

tendinous junction of wrist extensors





#### PASSIVE TEST

Purpose: Assess for medial epicondylitis Position: UE relaxed, elbow extended

Technique: Stretch into wrist extension & supination Interpretation: + test = pain @ medial epicondyle or proximal musculotendinous junction of wrist flexors



### RESISTIVE TEST

Purpose: Assess for medial epicondylitis Position: UE relaxed, elbow extended Technique: Resist pronation & wrist flexion

Interpretation: + test = pain @ medial epicondyle or proximal musculotendinous junction of wrist flexors



### WARTENBERG'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for ulnar nerve entrapment Position: UE relaxed in supported position Technique: Resist 5th digit adduction

Interpretation: + test = weakness of 5th digit adductors

### POSTEROLATERAL or ROTATORY INSTABILITY

Purpose: Assess for elbow instability

Position: Elbow extended

Technique: Apply an axial load with a valgus stress

& supination

Interpretation: + test = elbow subluxes with exten-

sion & relocates with flexion



#### TINEL'S TEST

Purpose: Assess ulnar nerve Position: Elbow in slight flexion

Technique: Tap groove between olecranon

& lateral epicondyle

Interpretation: + test = pain & tingling in the distribution of ulnar nerve (4th & 5th digits)

Statistics: Sensitivity = 28% & specificity =

23%



Differential Diagnosis		
Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Elbow Dislocation (posterior)— common in children & young adults due to a FOOSH	<ul> <li>Pain, inability to flex elbow, deformity, tenderness</li> <li>Confirmed by x-ray</li> <li>Need to r/o fx &amp; check distal pulses</li> <li>Beware of possible development of myositis ossificans in brachialis muscle</li> </ul>	
Radial Head Subluxation—common in children 2–4 yo resulting from a child being picked up or swung by the hand or forearm & creating a distraction force	■ Child will autosplint in pronation & flexion ■ Radial head is TTP & child reports wrist discomfort from ↑ pressure from radial head being displaced distally ■ X-ray if fx is suspected ■ Reduction process = thumb in cubital fossa to serve as a fulcrum, supinate & flex the forearm (will "pop" in)	
MCL Sprain—elongation/tear of ligament(s); common in throwing athletes 2° valgus stress	Acute trauma may experience a "pop" TTP @ medial joint line Valgus instability Confirm with MRI; need to r/o avulsion	

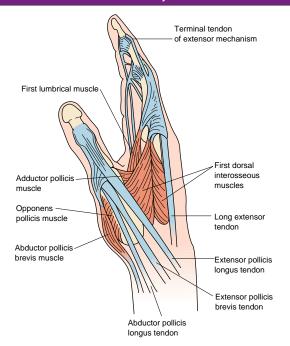
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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Olecranon Bursitis—"student's elbow"—may result from direct trauma or repetitive UE activity	<ul> <li>■ Defined mass at the olecranon that is warm, thick, &amp; "gritty" to palpation</li> <li>■ ↓ Elbow extension with nonspecific TTP</li> <li>■ MRI used to confirm</li> </ul>	
Humerus & Radial Head Fracture— results from a FOOSH	■ Need to r/o avulsion & RCL/UCL sprain	
Ulnar Neuritis—results from repetitive activity or trauma	AP & lateral plain film to confirm Weak UD, 4th & 5th finger flexion Pain with elbow flexion (+) Tests: Tinel's, Wartenberg's, & NTPT Paresthesia into forearm & 5th digit Need to r/o C-spine pathology & TOS	
Osteochondritis Dissecans—results from repetitive valgus stresses, such as throwing or gymnastics or frequent compressive forces (avascularity of subchondral bone = Panner's disease)	<ul> <li>Confirm with MRI</li> <li>Lateral elbow pain with ↓ elbow extension</li> <li>Catching/locking of the elbow; pain with UE WB</li> <li>Crepitus with pronation/supination</li> <li>X-ray, MRI, CT are helpful in</li> </ul>	
Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy or Complex Regional Pain Syndrome—may be linked to previous trauma but a large percentage have no precipitating factor	identifying a loose body  Abnormal reflexes; varied manifestations of pain, burning, & edema  Nerve adhesions = (+) NTPT (movement is painful)  Vasomotor instability & trophic changes span from warm, redness over dorsum of MP & IP joints, & excessive moisture to cold temperature, pallor, & dryness of hand  Osteoporosis  MRI may or may not be helpful	

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Avulsion/Stress Fracture of Medial Epicondyle = "Little League Elbow"—2° repetitive throwing motion; seen in teenagers with acceleration of UE with elbow flexion & valgus stress	<ul> <li>Progressive pain &amp; TTP @ medial epicondyle</li> <li>         ↓ ROM</li> <li>(+) Valgus stress test</li> <li>Confirm with x-ray or MRI</li> </ul>
Medial Epicondylitis—"Golfer's Elbow"—insidious onset 2° to repetitive forces on the elbow; effects pronator teres & FCR	Pain with resisted wrist flexion & UD &/or passive stretching into wrist extension & supination with RD TTP at proximal musculotendinous jctn of wrist flexors & pronators (+) Passive & resistive tests MRI may confirm diagnosis & r/o fx or avulsion
Lateral Epicondylitis—"Tennis Elbow"—overuse or microtrauma to lateral musculature; may result from a small racket grip, a racket that is too stiff or heavy, or a small sweet spot; usually involves ECRB	<ul> <li>Morning stiffness</li> <li>Pain with resisted wrist extension, supination, &amp; RD OR passive stretching into wrist flexion, pronation, &amp; UD</li> <li>(+) Tests: Cozen's &amp; Mill's</li> <li>TTP at proximal musculotendinous junction of wrist extensors &amp; supinators</li> <li>MRI may confirm diagnosis &amp; r/o fx or avulsion</li> </ul>

### **Anatomy**



### **Medical Red Flags**

- Digital clubbing
  - Acute pulmonary abscess
  - Pulmonary malignancy
  - Cirrhosis
  - Heart disease
  - Ulcerative colitis
- COPD■ Spoon nails
  - Anemia
  - Thyroid px
  - Syphilis
- Rheumatic fever
- Eggshell nails = thinning/semitransparent = syphilis
- Nail inflammation, infection, biting
- Paresthia in glove distribution
  - DM
  - Lead/mercury poisoning
- Hand tremor
  - Parkinsonism
  - Hypoglycemia
  - Hyperthyroidism
  - ETOH ■ MS
- Causes of CTS
- Lauses of C15
  - Hx of statins (cholesterol drugs: Zocor or Lipitor)
     Liver disease
  - Liver disease
  - Hypothyroidism
  - Gout
  - DM
    - Pregnancy/oral contraceptives
    - B<sub>6</sub> vitamin deficiency

### **Toolbox Tests**

### Rheumatoid Hand Functional Disability Scale That Assesses Functional Handicap

Answer the following questions regarding your ability without the help of any assistive devices:

any assistive devices:			
Answers to	Answers to 0 = Yes, without difficulty		
the questions:			
	2 = Yes, with some difficulty		
	3 = Yes, with much difficulty		
	4 = Nearly impossible to do		
	5 = Impossible		
Can you hold	a bowl?		
Can you seize	■ Can you seize a full bottle & raise it?		
Can you hold	■ Can you hold a plate full of food?		
Can you pour	■ Can you pour liquid from a bottle into a glass?		
Can you unscrew the lid from a jar opened before?			
Can you cut r	Can you cut meat with a knife?		
Can you prick	■ Can you prick things well with a fork?		
Can you peel	Can you peel fruit?		
■ Can you button your shirt?			
■ Can you open & close a zipper?			
■ Can you squeeze a new tube of toothpaste?			
Can you hold	■ Can you hold a toothbrush efficiently?		
Can you write a short sentence with a pencil or ordinary pen?			
■ Can you write a letter with a pencil or ordinary pen?			
■ Can you turn a round door knob?			
Can you cut a piece of paper with scissors?			
■ Can you pick up coins from a table top?			
Can you turn a key in a lock?			
Score:			

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# Severity of Symptoms & Functional Status in Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

The following questions refer to your symptoms for a typical 24-hour period during the past 2 weeks. Circle 1 answer for each question.

How severe is the hand or wrist pain you have at night?  1. No pain  2. Mild pain  3. Moderate pain  4. Severe pain  5. Very severe pain	How often did hand or wrist pain wake you up during a typical night in the past 2 weeks? 1. Never 2. 1 time 3. 2–3 times 4. 4–5 times 5. More than 5 times	Do you typically have pain in your hand or wrist during the daytime? 1. No pain 2. Mild pain 3. Moderate pain 4. Severe pain 5. Very severe pain
How often do you have hand or wrist pain dur- ing the daytime? 1. Never 2. 1 time 3. 2–3 times 4. 4–5 times 5. More than 5 times	How long, on average, does an episode of pain last during the daytime? 1. Never have pain 2. Less than 10 minutes 3. 10–60 minutes 4. More than 60 minutes 5. Constantly	Do you have numbness (loss of sensation) in your hand? 1. No numbness 2. Mild numbness 3. Moderate numbness 4. Severe numbness 5. Very severe numbness
Do you have weakness in your hand or wrist? 1. No weakness 2. Mild weakness 3. Moderate weakness 4. Severe weakness 5. Very severe weakness	Do you have tingling sensation in your hand? 1. No tingling 2. Mild tingling 3. Moderate tingling 4. Severe tingling 5. Very severe tingling	How severe is the numbness or tingling at night?  1. No numbness/tingling 2. Mild numbness/tingling 3. Moderate numbness/ tingling 4. Severe numbness/tingling 5. Very severe numbness/ tingling
How often did hand numb- ness or tingling wake you up during a typical night in the past 2 weeks? 1. Never 2. 1 time 3. 2–3 times 4. 4–5 times 5. More than 5 times	Do you have difficulty with the grasping & use of small objects, such as keys or pencils?  1. No difficulty 2. Mild difficulty 3. Moderate difficulty 4. Severe difficulty 5. Very severe difficulty	Scoring: Summate the scores & divide by 11. The higher the mean score, the more severe the impairment.  Score:



## **Referral Patterns**

## **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

Flexor digitorum Pronator teres



Flexor pollicis longus



1st dorsal interossei





105 Abductor digiti minimi & 2nd dorsal interossei

Opponens pollicis





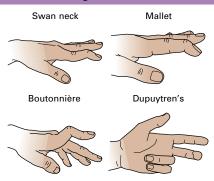
Adductor pollicis







## **Pathologic Observations**



- When fist is clenched, all fingers should point to the scaphoid
- Heberden node = DJD of DIP
- Bouchard node = DJD of PIP
- Swan neck = MCP & DIP flexion with PIP hyperextension
- Boutonnière = MCP & DIP extension with PIP flex (ruptured central extension tendon)
- Mallet finger = flexion of DIP (avulsion)
- Dupuytren's contracture = flexion of 4th & 5th digits
- Ganglion cyst = defined mass on dorsum of hand
- Pill-rolling tremor = Parkinsonism
- Liver flap = asterixis = flapping tremor resulting from the inability to maintain wrist extension with the forearm supported in a flexed position

# **Palpation Pearls**

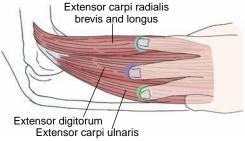






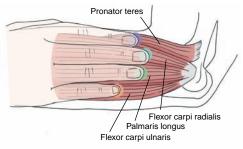
## **Wrist Extensor Muscles**





## **Wrist Flexor Muscles**







#### **Edema Assessment**

#### Figure-8 Method to Assess Hand Edema (Palmar Surface)

 Start distal to the lateral styloid process; go medial across the palm of the hand to the 5th MCP joint



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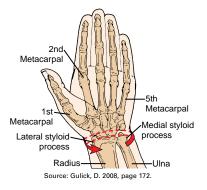
2. Over the knuckles to the 2nd MCP joint



#### 3. Across the palm to the medial styloid process



#### 4. Around the back of the wrist to the lateral styloid process



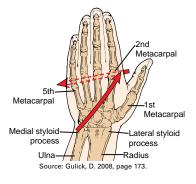


#### Figure-8 Method to Assess Hand Edema (Dorsal Surface)

1. Start distal to the medial styloid process; go lateral across the back of the hand to the 2nd MCP joint



2. Over the palmar aspect of the MCP joints to the 5th MCP joint



#### 3. Across the back of the hand to the lateral styloid process



## 4. Around the front of the wrist to the medial styloid process



### **Sensory Testing**

#### 2-Point Discrimination

Use a Disk-criminator to assess the minimal distance at which the client can distinguish the presence of 2 stimuli. The client should be able to distinguish 4 out of 5 or 7 out of 10 trials.

 Grade
 Distance

 Normal
 <6 mm</td>

 Fair
 6-10 mm

 Poor
 11-15 mm

#### Semmes-Weinstein Monofilament Test

With client's eyes closed, clinician applies a perpendicular force to each test location beginning with the lowest monofilament. Record the number of the monofilament that the client feels before or just as the monofilament bends.

#### Test locations:

- Base of palm/wrist
- Between central palm & distal palm crease
- Between distal palm crease & web of finger
- Between web of finger & PIP joint
- Between PIP joint & DIP joint
- Between DIP joint & fingertip

#### Normal Values:

Monofilament #	Result
2.44-2.83	Normal sensation
3.22-4.56	Diminished light touch
4.74-6.10	Minimal light touch
6.10-6.65	Poor localization

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## Osteokinematics of the Wrist & Hand

Joint	Normal ROM	Normal End-feel(s)	Abnormal End-feel(s)
Radiocarpal	60°-80° flex 60°-70° ext 20°-30° RD/UD	Flex = firm/ ligamentous/elastic Ext = firm/ ligamentous/elastic RD = bony UD = firm/bony	Capsular = pronation & supination equally restricted
CMC thumb	70° abd 45°–50° flex	Elastic	Capsular = abd > ext
MCP 2–5	90° flex	Ext = elastic/ capsular/ligamentous Flex = elastic/bony/ firm/ligamentous Abd = firm/ ligamentous	
MCP thumb	75°–90° flex	Flex = bony/firm/ ligamentous/elastic Ext = firm/elastic	
IPs 2-5	100° PIP flex 80° DIP flex	PIP flex = firm/bony/elastic PIP ext = firm/ ligamentous/elastic DIP flex = firm/ ligamentous/elastic DIP ext = firm/ ligamentous/elastic	

# **Arthrokinematics for Wrist & Hand Mobilization**

Radiocarpal	Concave surface: Radius & radioulnar disk	To facilitate wrist flexion: Proximal carpal rolls ante- rior & glides posterior on radius with distal carpal rolling anterior & gliding posterior on the proximal carpal	To facilitate extension: Proximal carpal rolls posterior & glides anterior & on radius with distal carpal rolling posterior & gliding anterior on the proximal carpal
adic	Convex surface:	To facilitate radial deviation:	To facilitate ulnar deviation:
R	Proximal carpals	deviation: Proximal carpal rolls lateral & glides medial on radius with distal carpal rolling lateral & gliding medial on the proximal carpal	deviation:  Proximal carpal rolls medial & glides lateral on radius with distal carpal rolling medial & gliding lateral on the proximal carpal
Distal radioulnar	Concave surface: Ulnar notch of radius Convex surface: Head of ulna	To facilitate pronation: Radius rolls & glides medially over the ulna	To facilitate supination: Radius rolls & glides laterally over the ulna

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CMC thumb	Concave surface: Trapezii	To facilitate thumb flexion: Metacarpal rolls & glides medial on trapezium	To facilitate thumb extension: Metacarpal rolls & glides lateral on trapezium
CMC thumb CMC	Convex surface: Metacarpal	To facilitate thumb abduction: Metacarpal rolls proximal & glides distal on trapezium	To facilitate thumb adduction: Metacarpal rolls distal & glides proximal on trapezium
MCP 2-5	Concave surface: Base of proximal phalanx	To facilitate flexion: Proximal phalanx rolls & glides anterior on metacarpal	To facilitate extension: Proximal phalanx rolls & glides posterior on metacarpal
MCP thumb	Convex surface: Head of metacarpal	To facilitate thumb flexion: Distal phalanx rolls & glides anterior on the proximal phalanx	To facilitate thumb extension: Distal phalanx rolls & glides posterior on the proximal phalanx
IP 2-5	Concave surface: Base of proximal phalanx Convex surface: Head of distal phalanx	To facilitate flexion: Distal phalanx rolls & glides anterior on the proximal phalanx	To facilitate extension: Distal phalanx rolls & glides posterior on the proximal phalanx

## Strength & Function

#### **Muscle Function**

- Dorsal interossei = "divide" or separate fingers
- Palmar interossei & lumbricales = "pull" fingers together
- Flexor digitorum superficialis test = with finger in extension, isolate PIP flexion
- Flexor digitorum profundus test = with finger in extension, isolate DIP flexion
- Lumbrical test = flex MCP with IPs extended





- Power grips:
  - Cylindrical grip = FDP, FDS, FPL, FPB, OP, lumbricales, palmar interossei
  - Spherical grip = FDP, FDS, FPL, FPB, OP, lumbricales, dorsal interossei
  - Hook grip = FDS, FDP

## **Tools to Evaluate Grip Strength**

- Hand-held dynamometer
- Jamar device—power grip in various positions
- Pinch meter:
  - Tip-to-tip = anterior interosseous nerve
  - Pad-to-pad = median nerve
  - 3-jaw chuck = ulnar nerve
- BP cuff inflated to 20 mm Hg; squeeze & assess pressure change

# Objective Tests to Assess Hand Function

- Minnesota Rate of Manipulation Test
- Minnesota Manual Dexterity Test
- Purdue Pegboard Test
- Modified Moberg Pick-up Test

## **Quantitative Measure of Ulnar Impaction**

- Assess grip in supinated & pronated wrist positions
- If grip ratio of supination:pronation is
  - = 1, there is no ulnar impaction
  - >1, ulnar impaction is present





## **Brachial Plexus-Roots, Muscles, Deficits & Deformities**

Nerve & Root	Muscles	Functional Deficits	Postural Deformity
Radial C5–8 T1	Anconeus, brachioradialis, ECRL, ECRB, extensor digitorum, APL, ECU, extensor indicis, extensor digiti minimi	<ul> <li>Weak supination, wrist ext, finger flex, thumb abd</li> <li>Weak grip due to loss of wrist stabilization</li> </ul>	
Median C6-8 T1	Pronator teres, FCR, palmaris long, FDS, FPL, pronator quad- ratus, thenar eminence, lateral 2 lumbricales	<ul> <li>Weak pronation, wrist flex &amp; RD</li> <li>Weak thumb flex &amp; abd</li> <li>Weak grip &amp; pinch</li> <li>Ape hand</li> </ul>	
Ulnar C7–8 T1	FCU, palmaris brevis, hypothenar eminence, adductor pollicis, medial 2 lumbricales, interossei	<ul> <li>Weak wrist flex &amp; UD</li> <li>Weak 5th finger flex</li> <li>Weak finger abd/add</li> <li>Benediction sign (Bishop's deformity)</li> </ul>	Claw hand = median & ulnar

Source for top figure: From Levangie, PK, & Norkin, CC. Joint Structure & Function: A Comprehensive Analysis. 3rd ed. FA Davis, Philadelphia, 2001, page 107.

## **Special Tests**

#### **Neural Tissue Provocation Tests**

See Alerts/Alarms page 14.

#### Wrist & Hand Tests

### CLAMP SIGN

Purpose: Assess for scaphoid fx

Position: Wrist in propation & extension Technique: Grasp web space of the thumb between clinician's thumb & index finger

& gently stress the wrist into UD

Interpretation: + test = pain in the anatomical snuff box

Statistics: Sensitivity = 52% & specificity = 100%



#### WATSON'S TEST (Scaphoid shift maneuver)

Purpose: Assess for scaphoid instability

Position: Supinated in neutral

Technique: From the radial side, the clinician uses his thumb on the palmar side & index finger on dorsal side to apply pressure to the distal scaphoid while moving the wrist from UD to RD Interpretation: + test = removal of pres-

sure will produce a palpable click & dorsal wrist pain



#### FINKELSTEIN'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for de Quervain's syndrome Position: Form a fist around the thumb Technique: Ulnarly deviate the wrist Interpretation: + test = pain along EPB & APL



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#### WRIST VARUS TEST

Purpose: Assess RCL

Position: Stabilize radius/ulna proximal to wrist in neutral position

Technique: Apply a varus stress to the wrist

Interpretation: + test = joint line pain or gapping/instability





Source: Gulick, D., 2008, page 125.

## WRIST VALGUS TEST

Purpose: Assess UCL

Position: Stabilize radius/ulna proximal to wrist in neutral position

Technique: Apply a valgus stress to the wrist

Interpretation: + test = joint line pain or gapping/instability

### PHALANX VARUS/VALGUS TEST

Purpose: Assess MCL & LCL

Position: With finger(s) in neutral, stabilize the proximal phalanx Technique: Apply a varus/valgus stress via the distal phalanx Interpretation: + test = joint line pain or gapping/instability

#### PHALEN'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for CTS
Position: Hands relaxed

Technique: Maximally flex the wrists so the dorsal surfaces of the hands are in full contact with each other; hold for up to 1 minute Interpretation: + test = numbness or tingling

into the median nerve distribution

Statistics: Sensitivity = 34%-93% & specificity

= 48%–93%



#### REVERSE PHALEN'S TEST (Prayer Sign)

Purpose: Assess for CTS Position: Hands relaxed

Technique: Maximally extend the wrists so the palms of the hands are in full contact with each other; hold for up to 1 minute Interpretation: + test = numbness or tingling into the median nerve distribution

into the median nerve distribution

Statistics: Sensitivity = 88% & specificity = 93%



#### FLICK MANEUVER

Purpose: Assess for CTS Position: Hands relaxed

Technique: Vigorously shake the hands repeatedly Interpretation: + test = paresthesia into the

median nerve distribution

Statistics: Sensitivity = 37% & specificity = 74%



#### TINEL'S SIGN

Purpose: Assess for CTS

Position: UE supported in supination

Technique: Tap the volar surface of the

wrist

Interpretation: + test = tingling into the

median nerve distribution

Statistics: CTS: Sensitivity = 27%-79% &

specificity = 65%-98%



Wrist tests	Sensitivity	Specificity
Flick + Phalen's	49	62
• Flick + Tinel's	46	68
• Phalen's + Tinel's	41	72

#### FROMENT'S SIGN

Purpose: Assess for adductor pollicis weakness 2° ulnar nerve paralysis

Position: Client holds a paper between thumb & index finger

Technique: Clinician tries to tug the paper away

Interpretation: + test = flexion of thumb DIP via FPL will result if the

adductor pollicis muscle is impaired by an ulnar nerve px

#### WARTENBERG'S TEST

Purpose: Assess ulnar nerve for entrapment at the elbow

Position: UE relaxed in a supported position

Technique: Resist 5th digit adduction

Interpretation: + test = weakness of the 5th digit adduction

#### MURPHY'S SIGN

Purpose: Assess for lunate dislocation

Position: Make a fist

Technique: Observe alignment of MC joints

Interpretation: + test = 3rd MCP is level with 2nd & 4th, (normally 3rd MCP

should project beyond 2nd & 4th)

## ALLEN'S TEST

Purpose: Test for occlusion of radial or

ulnar artery

Position: Hand relaxed, supported in

supination

Technique: Clinician compresses both radial & ulnar arteries at the wrist while client clenches hand several times to drain blood out. With client's hand open, clinician releases pressure on the radial artery—normal hand coloration should return in <5 seconds. Repeat & release ulnar artery



Interpretation: + test = difference between the 2 vessels with respect to refill time or taking >5 seconds for coloration of tissue to return to normal



#### TFCC LOAD TEST

Purpose: Assess TFCC

Position: Wrist in ulnar deviation

Technique: Apply a longitudinal load through

the 5th metacarpal bone to the TFCC Interpretation: + test = pain @ TFCC

Statistics: Sensitivity = 100%



#### TFCC PRESS TEST/ SUPINATED LIFT TEST

Purpose: Assess TFCC

Position: Elbow flexed at 90° & forearm

supinated

Technique: Client is asked to lift up against resistance (like lifting a table via wrist flexion)

Interpretation: + test = compression with

UD will ↑ pain @ TFCC

Statistics: Sensitivity = 100%



# **Differential Diagnosis**

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Colles' or Smith's Fracture—distal radial fractures 2° FOOSH with extreme wrist extension; common in adults >50 yo, whereas children = greenstick or epiphyseal growth plate	TTP in anatomical snuffbox  Edema & ecchymosis  Structural deformity with limited ROM  Confirmed via PA, oblique & lateral x-rays (Colles' fx = distal fragment angles dorsal & Smith's fx = distal fragment angles palmar)
Dupuytren's Contracture—flexion contracture with thickening of palmar fascia of 4th & 5th digits; etiology is unknown (if associated with DM, may involved 3rd & 4th digits), epilepsy, & (+) family hx; most common in 3 >40 yo	<ul> <li>Nodule in the palmar aponeurosis of the ulnar side &amp; tightening of the natatory ligament</li> <li>Usually no pain but MCPs are unable to extend</li> <li>May reappear again weeks or years later</li> <li>Confirmed with CT or MRI</li> </ul>
Trigger Finger—results when the demand for manual dexterity & fist clenching tasks exceed the lubricating capacity of the synovial fluid; ↑ incidence in DM & people >40 yo	<ul> <li>Tender nodules in flexor tendon         @ MC head that moves with the tendon</li> <li>No active finger flexion</li> <li>Finger locks in flexion in AM; extension only can be performed passively &amp; there is slight pain with clicking/grating when passively moved</li> <li>Diagnosis confirmed with CT or MRI</li> </ul>
De Quervain's Syndrome— tenosynovitis of the abductor pollicis longus & extensor pollicis brevis > extensor pollicis longus; insidious onset related to pinching or grasping tasks	No numbness, tingling, or edema AROM of thumb is painful Pain radiates into distal radial forearm Pulses are normal (+) Finkelstein's test Confirmed with CT or MRI; should r/o gout

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (CTS)—an overuse injury related to repetitive trauma; occurs in ♀ > ♂; may occur during pregnancy	■ Thenar atrophy but no swelling or trophic changes ■ Night-time numbness of hand (median nerve pattern) ■ Thumb weakness & loss of opposition/abduction—specifically APB (beware of substitution of APL, innervated by the radial nerve) ■ (+) Tests: Phalen's, Reverse Phalen's, Flick, Neural provocation, & Tinel sign; (-) TOS ■ Normal pulses (radial & ulnar arteries do not pass through tunnel) ■ Sensation of palm is spared ■ Need to r/o C-spine problem ■ Confirmed with CT or MRI
Pronator Syndrome—compression of the median nerve via pronator muscle	■ Client c/o "heaviness" in the UE ■ Pain with overpressure into pronation (median nerve distribution) ■ (-) Phalen's & Tinel's sign, ↓ NCV ■ TTP over pronator teres (~4 cm distal to cubital crease) ■ Mimics CTS but there is no night pain or weakness ■ Confirmed with MRI or CT
Gamekeeper's Thumb—ulnar col- lateral ligament injury 2° a forceful radial deviation of the thumb	Localized pain & swelling TTP @ UCL (+) Valgus stress Confirmed with MRI, need to r/o fx & avulsion
Triangular Fibro Cartilage Complex (TFCC)—injury is the result of forceful rotation of forearm or FOOSH in pronation	<ul> <li>(+) Tests: Load &amp; Press test</li> <li>&gt;1 grip ratio of supination:pronation</li> <li>TTP @ TFCC</li> <li>Confirmed with MRI or arthrogram</li> </ul>
Ganglion Cyst—most common mass in the wrist, etiology unknown, may be associated with repetitive motions	<ul> <li>Defined round mass in the wrist</li> <li>May be painful with motion or compression</li> <li>Not revealed on x-ray, MRI, CT</li> </ul>

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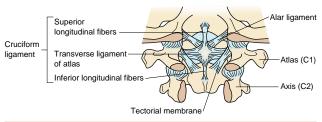
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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Lunate Dislocation—results from FOOSH	<ul> <li>(+) Murphy's sign</li> <li>TTP @ lunate with localized swelling</li> <li>Painful wrist ROM</li> <li>May cause paresthesia if median nerve is involved</li> <li>Confirmed with x-ray, need to r/o fx</li> </ul>
Tendon Rupture—results from trauma	<ul> <li>Edema &amp; TTP are tendon specific</li> <li>Failure to actively move a joint:</li> <li>EPL = no thumb IP ext (mallet finger)</li> <li>FPL = no thumb IP flex</li> <li>ED = no isolated long finger ext (mallet finger)</li> <li>FDP = no DIP flexion (jersey finger)</li> <li>FS = no PIP flexion</li> <li>Confirmed with MRI or CT; need to r/o fx or avulsion</li> </ul>
Raynaud's Syndrome—cold-induced reflex digital vasoconstriction & ischemia	<ul> <li>Pallor, cyanosis then redness of digits (cyclic)</li> <li>(-) TOS test(s)</li> <li>Clear C-spine</li> <li>ROM, strength, &amp; sensation = WNL</li> <li>Confirmed via Doppler</li> </ul>
Complex Regional Pain Syndrome—etiology unknown, may occur after trauma See stages next page.	<ul> <li>Hyperalgesia &amp; hyperhydrosis</li> <li>Capsular tightness &amp; stiffness</li> <li>Muscle atrophy &amp; osteoporosis</li> <li>Trophic changes &amp; edema</li> <li>Vasomotor instability</li> </ul>



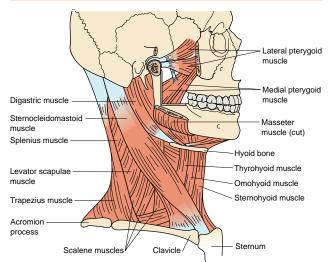
	Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
Stage 1	Burning, aching, tenderness, joint stiffness     Swelling, temperature changes     ↑ nail growth & ↑ hair on hands
Stage 2	Pain, swelling, joint stiffness     Pain becomes less localized     Change in skin color & texture
Stage 3	Pain radiates all the way up the arm     ↓ NCV     Muscle atrophy

## **Anatomy**

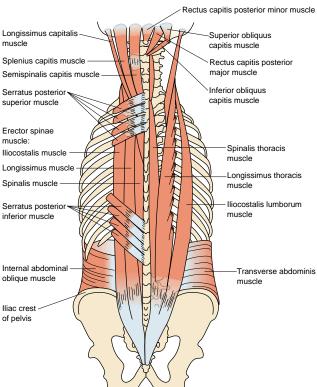
#### Ligaments of the neck



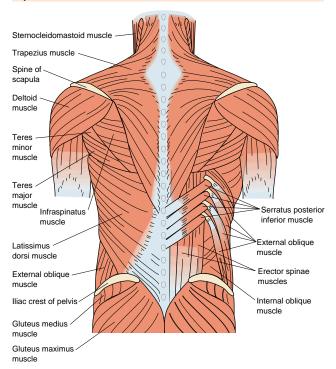
#### Muscles of the neck & face (lateral view)



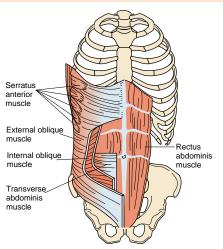
#### Deep muscles of the neck & back



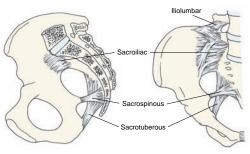
#### Superfiscial muscles of the neck & back



#### Abdominal muscles



#### Ligaments of the pelvis

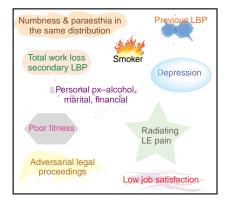


Source: From Cailliet, R. Low Back Pain Syndrome, 3rd ed. FA Davis, Philadelphia, 1983, page 196.

## **Spine Medical Red Flags**

- Individuals <20 & >55 yo with persistent night pain, change in B&B control, (B) LE signs, PMH of CA, nonmechanical pain, SED rate >25
- Mid-thoracic pain = MI, GB
- Pain from 6th-10th thoracic vertebra = peptic ulcer
- History of prostate CA
- Pulsing LBP = vascular problem (aortic aneurysm)
- Faun's beard = spina bifida
- Café au lait spots = neurofibromatosis
- Upper back/neck pain that ↑ with deep breathing, coughing, laughing & ↓ with breath holding; recent hx may include fever URI, flu, MI = pericarditis
- Enlarged cervical lymph nodes, severe pruritus, irregular fever = Hodgkin's disease
- Pain at McBurney's point = ½-½ the distance from (R) ASIS to umbilicus; tenderness = appendicitis

## **Risk Factors for Chronicity of Spinal Dysfunction**



## **Toolbox Tests**

#### **Neck Disability Index For Chronic Pain**

#### Pain Intensity Work I have no pain at the moment I can do as much as I want to The pain is very mild at the moment I can only do my usual work but The pain is moderate at the moment not more The pain is fairly severe at the I can do most of my usual work. moment but not more The pain is very severe at the moment \_\_ I cannot do my usual work The pain is the worst imaginable I can hardly do any usual work at all at the moment I can't do any work at all Personal Care (washing, dressing, etc.) Concentration I can look after myself normally I can concentrate fully when I w/o causing extra pain want to with no difficulty I can look after myself normally I can concentrate fully when I but it causes extra pain want to with slight difficulty It is painful to look after myself & I have a fair degree of difficulty I am slow & careful concentrating when I want I need some help but manage I have a lot of difficulty concenmost of my personal care trating when I want I need help every day in most I have a great deal of difficulty aspect of self care concentrating when I want I cannot get dressed, wash with I cannot concentrate at all difficulty & stay in Bed Lifting Drivina I can lift heavy weights without I can drive my car without neck extra pain pain I can lift heavy weights but it I can drive my car as long as I gives extra pain want with slight neck pain Pain prevents me from lifting I can drive my car as long as I

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want with moderate neck pain

I can't drive my car as long as I

I can hardly drive at all because

of severe neck pain

I can't drive my car at all

want because of moderate neck

pain

heavy weights off the floor, but I

can manage if they are on a table

heavy weights but I can manage

if they are conveniently placed

I can lift only very light weights

I cannot lift or carry anything at all

Pain prevents me from lifting

#### Neck Disability Index For Chronic Pain-cont'd

#### Reading

- \_\_ I can read as much as I want with no pain in my neck
- \_ I can read as much as I want with slight pain in my neck
- \_ I can read as much as I want with moderate pain in my neck
- I can't read as much as I want because of moderate pain in my neck
- I can hardly read at all because of severe pain in my neck

I have no headaches at all

come infrequently

come infrequently

I have slight headaches which

 I have moderate headaches which come infrequently

I have moderate headaches

I have severe headaches which

I have headaches almost all the

which come frequently

\_ I cannot read at all

#### Recreation

- I am able to engage in all my recreational activities with no neck pain
- I am able to engage in all my recreational activities with some neck pain
- I am able to engage in most but not all of my usual recreational activities because of neck pain
- I am able to engage in a few of my usual recreational activities with some neck pain
- I can hardly do any recreational activities because of neck pain
   I can't do any recreational activities at all

#### Sleeping

- \_ I have no trouble sleeping
- \_ My sleep is slightly disturbed (<1-hr sleep loss)
- \_\_ My sleep is mildly disturbed
- (1- to 2-hr sleep loss)

  My sleep is moderately disturbed
  (2- to 3-hr sleep loss)
- \_\_ My sleep is greatly disturbed (3- to 5-hr sleep loss)
- \_\_ My sleep is completely disturbed (5- to 7-hr sleep loss)

# time

Headache

Scoring: The items are scored in descending order with the top statement = 0 & the bottom statement = 5. All subsections are added together for a cumulative score. The higher the score, the greater the disability.

Source: From the Journal of Manipulation and Physiological Therapeutics. 14(7):561-570, 1991.

In every section, please mark the one response that most closely describes your problem:	nost closely describes your problem:
Pain Intensity	Standing
I can tolerate the pain without using pain killers	I can stand as long as I want without extra pain
The pain is bad but I manage without pain	I can stand as long as I want but it given me
killers	extra pain
Pain killers give complete relief from pain	Pain prevents me from standing for >1 hour
Pain killers give moderate relief from pain	Pain prevents me from standing >½ hour
Pain killers give very little relief from pain	Pain prevents me from standing >10 minutes
Pain killers have no effect on the pain; I don't	Pain prevents me from standing at all
use them	
Personal Care (washing, dressing, etc.)	Sleeping
I can look after myself normally without	Pain does not prevent me from sleeping well
causing extra pain	I can sleep well only by using tablets
I can look after myself normally but it causes	Even when I take tablets, I have <6 hours sleep
extra pain	Even when I take tablets, I have <4 hours sleep
It is painful to look after myself & I am slow &	Even when I take tablets, I have <2 hours sleep
careful	Pain prevents me from sleeping at all
I need some help but manage most of my	
personal care	
I need help every day in most aspect of self care	
I cannot get dressed, wash with difficulty &	
stay in bed	

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SPINE

Score.

# Pain prevents me sitting at all Pain prevents me sitting more than ½ hour Pain prevents me sitting more than 1 hour I can only sit in my tavorite chair as long as I Pain prevents me sitting more than 10 minutes I can sit in any chair as long as I like Traveling I can travel anywhere without extra pain doctor or hospital Pain prevents me from traveling except to the under 30 minutes Pain restricts me to short necessary journeys Pain restricts me to journeys < 1 hour Pain is bad but I manage journeys over 2 hours I can travel anywhere but it gives me extra pain

Oswestry Low Back Pain Questionnaire—cont'd

= 5. The sum of the score is multiplied by 2. **Scoring:** The items are scored in descending order with the top statement = 0 & the bottom statement

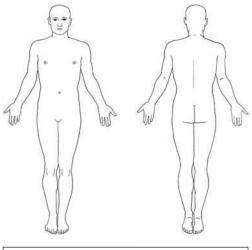
Results: 0-20% = minimal disability; 20%-40% = moderate disability; 40%-60% = severe disability; 60%-80%

Source: From Physiotherapy, 66(8):271–273, 1980

= crippled; 80%–100% = bed bound or symptom magnification

## **Ransford Pain Drawings**

Indicate where your pain is located & what type of pain you feel at the present time. Use the symbols below to describe your pain. Do not indicate areas of pain which are not related to your present injury or condition.



///	Stabbing	XXX	Burning
000	Pins & Needles	===	Numbness

## **Ransford Scoring System**

- Unreal drawings (score 2 points for any of the following)
  - Total leg pain
  - Front of leg pain
  - Anterior tibial pain
  - Back of leg & knee pain
  - Circumferential thigh pain
  - Lateral whole leg painBilateral foot pain
  - Circumferential foot pain
  - Anterior knee & ankle pain
  - Scattered pain throughout while leg
  - Entire abdomen pain
- Drawings with "expansion" or "magnification" of pain (1–2 points)
  - Back pain radiating into iliac crest, groin, & anterior perineum
  - Pain drawn outside of diagram
- Additional explanations, circles, lines, arrows (1 point each)
- Painful areas drawn in (score 1 for small areas & 2 for large areas)

Interpretation: A score of 3 or more points is thought to represent a pain perception that may be influenced by psychological factors

#### Score:

### **Short Form McGill Pain Questionnaire**

*Instructions*: Read the following descriptions of pain and mark the number which indicates the level of pain you feel in each category according to the following scale:

following scale:		,		
	1 = None	2 = Mild	3 = Moderate	4 = Severe
Throbbing				
Shooting				
Stabbing				
Sharp				
Cramping				
Gnawing				
Hot-Burning				
Aching				
Heavy				
Tender				
Splitting				
Tiring-Exhausting				
Sickening				
Fearful				
Punishing-Cruel				
Total Score:				·
The higher the scor	e, the more i	ntense the p	ain.	

# **Present Pain Intensity Index**

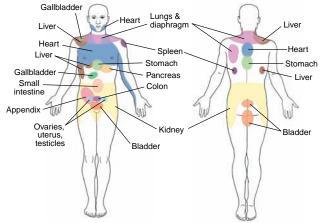
*Instructions:* Use the descriptors below to indicate your current level of pain.

- 0 = No Pain
- 1 = Mild
- 2 = Discomforting
- 3 = Distressing
- 4 = Horrible
- 5 = Excruciating

## **Referral Patterns**

#### Cutaneous Pain Referral Patterns from the Viscera

Viscera	Segmental Level	Referral Pattern	
Pharynx		Ipsilateral ear	
Heart	T1-5	Sternum, neck	
Bronchi-lungs	T2-4	Shoulder, pect, arm L>R	
Esophagus	T5-6	Neck, arms, sternum (level of the nipple)	
Gastric	T6-10	Lower thoracic to upper abdomen	
GB	T7-9	Upper abdomen (epigastric area), lower scapula, T/L	
Pancreas	T8-9	Upper lumbar, upper abdomen	
Kidneys	T10-L1	Upper lumbar, umbilical area	
Bladder	T11–12	Lower abdomen, lower lumbar, groin	

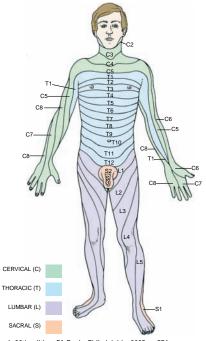


Source: From Gulick, D. Screening Notes: Rehabilitation Specialist's Pocket Guide. FA Davis, Philadelphia, 2006, page 11.

# Headaches

Type of Pain	Possible Etiology
Acute	Trauma, infection, impending CVA
Chronic	Eye strain, ETOH, inadequate ventilation
Severe & intense	Meningitis, aneurysm, brain tumor
Throbbing/pulsating	Migraine, fever, hypertension, aortic insufficiency
Constant	Muscle contraction/guarding
AM pain	Sinusitis (with discharge), ETOH, hypertension, sleeping position
Afternoon pain	Eye strain, muscle tension
Night	Intracranial disease, nephritis
Forehead	Sinusitis, nephritis
Temporal	Eye or ear px, migraine
Occipital	Herniated disk, eye strain, hypertension
Parietal	Meningitis, constipation, tumor
Face	Sinusitis, trigeminal neuralgia, dental px, tumor
Stabbing pain	With ear fullness, tinnitus, vertigo = otitis media
Severe pain	With fever, (+) Kernig's sign = meningitis
Severe, sudden pain	With ↑ BP = subarachnoid hemorrhage
Intermittent pain	With fluctuating consciousness = subdural hematoma

# **Dermatomes**



Source: From Taber's 20th edition. FA Davis, Philadelphia, 2005, p. 571.

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# **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

#### Scalenes



Sternocleidomastoid



Trapezius



Latissimus dorsi





Quadratus Lumborum





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# **Palpation Pearls**

# Landmarks

Vertebral Level	Identification Strategy
C1	1 fingerwidth below mastoid process 2 fingerwidths below occipital protuberance
C2	Angle of the mandible 3 fingerwidths below occipital protuberance
C3-4	Posterior to hyoid bone
C7	Base of neck (prominent posterior spinous process)
T2	Superior angle of scapula & jugular notch
T7	Inferior angle of the scapula
T10	Xiphoid process
T12	12th rib
L3	Posterior to umbilicus
L4	Iliac crest
S2	Level of PSIS
Tip of coccyx	Ischial tuberosities

- Anterior neck muscles (medial & anterior to lateral & posterior) = sternal branch of SCM, sternohyoid, clavicular branch of SCM, subclavian vein, anterior scalene, subclavian artery, brachial plexus, middle scalene, posterior scalene, levator scapula
- Posterior neck muscles (medial to lateral) = rectus capitis, semispinalis, splenius capitis, longissimus capitis
- Posterior thoracic & lumbar spine (medial to lateral) = spinalis, longissimus, iliocostalis

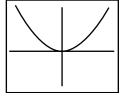
# Pathology & Compensatory Strategies That Influence Limb Length

Lengthen of LE	Shortening of LE
Anterior rotation of SI	Posterior rotation of SI
Extension of hip	Hike/flex hip; IR of hip
■ ER of hip	■ Circumduct LE
Supination of foot	Flexion of the knee
	Varus/valgus of knee
	■ Pronation of foot

### **ROM**

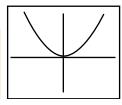
### **Cervical Normal Ranges**

Motion	Segment(s)	Degrees
FB/BB	Suboccipital (nod)	20°-25°
	Mid-cervical	30°-35°
SB	Suboccipital (primarily A/A)	20°
	Mid-cervical	25°
Rot	Suboccipital	35°
	Mid-cervical	45°



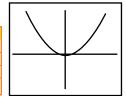
## **Thoracic Normal Ranges**

Motion	Degrees
FB	20°-40°
BB	15°-30°
SB	25°-30°
Rot	5°–20°



# **Lumbar Normal Ranges**

Motion	Degrees
FB = greatest @ L4-5	40°–60°
ВВ	20°-25°
SB = greatest @ L3-4	15°–35°
Rot = greatest @ L4-S1	5°–20°



### **Assessment Methods for Lumbar ROM:**

- Schober's Test = find L4 & mark 5 cm above & 10 cm below. Have client FB & measure distance between 2 points; Normal > 5 cm increase
- Modified Schober's Test = initial landmark is a mark between the PSIS & then marks at 5 & 10 cm above. Measure the distance between the points to reflect the amount of flexion at each lumbar region
- Inclinometer = (BROM) in standing place 1 inclinometer on the sacrum & 1 inclinometer over T12 spinous process. Have client FB & the amount of lumbar flexion is calculated by subtracting the sacral angles from the T12 angles

# Osteokinematics of the Spine

## **Coupled Joint Motions**

### **Basic Principles**

- Hip motion is coupled with innominate motion
- Lumbar motion is coupled with sacral motion
- Nutation means "to nod" = anterior tilt in sagittal plane
- Counternutation = posterior tilt in sagittal plane

Joint motion	Innominate	Sacrum
Hip flexion	Ipsilateral posterior rotation	Ø
Hip extension	Ipsilateral anterior rotation	Ø
Hip IR	Ipsilateral IR or Inflare	Ø
Hip ER	Ipsilateral ER or Outflare	Ø
Lumbar FB	Anterior rotation	Nutation then counternutation
Lumbar BB	Slight posterior rotation	Nutation
Lumbar rotation	Ipsilateral posterior rotation & contralateral anterior rotation	Nutates ipsilaterally
Lumbar SB	lpsilateral anterior rotation & contralateral posterior rotation	Ipsilateral SB ipsilateral & contralateral SB contralateral

# **Arthrokinematics for Spine Mobilization**

Atlanto- occipital joint	Concave surface: Superior atlas facet Convex surface: Occiput	To facilitate FB: Occiput rolls anterior & glides posterior	To facilitate BB: Occiput rolls posterior & glides anterior
Atlantoaxial joint	Concave surface: Inferior atlas facet Convex surface: Superior axis facet	To facilitate rotation: Atlas pivots on axis	To facilitate rotation: Atlas pivots on axis
*Intracervical segments	Facets are oriented @ 45° in horizontal & frontal planes	To facilitate FB: Inferior facet of superior vertebrae glides up & FW on superior facet of inferior vertebrae	To facilitate BB: Inferior facet of superior vertebrae glides down & back on superior facet of inferior vertebrae
		To facilitate rotation: Inferior facet of superior vertebra glides posterior & inferior on ipsilateral side & anterior & superior on contralateral side	To facilitate SB: Inferior facet of superior vertebra glides inferior & posterior & on ipsilateral side & superior & anterior on contralateral side
*Intracervical segments	Facets are oriented @ 45° in horizontal & frontal planes	To facilitate protraction: Craniocervical segments extend while mid-low cervical segments flex	To facilitate retraction: Craniocervical segments flex while mid-low cervical segments extend

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**Thoracic & Lumbar	Thoracic facets are oriented in the frontal plane Lumbar facets are oriented in the saggital plane	To facilitate flexion: Inferior facet of superior vertebra glides up & FW on superior facet of inferior vertebra	To facilitate extension: Inferior facet of superior vertebra glides down & BW on superior facet of inferior vertebra
		To facilitate rotation: Inferior facet of contralateral superior vertebra compresses against superior facet of inferior facet of inferior facet of ipsilateral superior vertebra separates from superior vertebra	To facilitate SB: Inferior facet of superior vertebra slides up on the contralateral side of SB & down on the ipsilateral side of the SB motion

<sup>\*</sup>Left SB & left rotation are coupled motions in the cervical spine.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Right rotation & left SB are coupled motions in the lumbar spine.

#### Posture

#### Cervical

- ↑FH = ↑ compression forces on anterior, lower c-vertebra & posterior facets; levator scapula can help to resist these stresses but may result in MTrP or adaptive shortening
  - Shoulder protraction may result from GH or AC instability

# Swayback (↑ kyphosis & ↓ lordosis)

- Alters the resting position of the scapula & alters the GH rhythm
- Tight hip extensors
- Weak hip flexors or lower abdominals
- Generalized ↓ strength
- Genu recurvatum = ↑ stress on posterior knee & compression of anterior knee
- Posterior pelvic tilt
- ↑ stress/elongation of anterior hip joint & posterior t-spine
- Shortening of posterior hip ligaments & anterior t-spine ligaments
- Forward head & shoulders

#### **Lordosis**

- Tight hip flexors or back extensors
- Weak hip extensors or abdominals
- Anterior pelvic tilt
- ↑ shear forces on lumbar vertebra
- ↑ compression forces on lumbar facets
- Stress & elongation of anterior spinal ligaments
- Narrowing of L-intervertebral foramen

# Flatback (↓ kyphosis & ↓ lordosis)

- Forward head, posterior pelvic tilt, knee flexion
- Tight hip extensors
- Weak hip flexors & back extensors
- Compressive forces in posterior hip it, anterior L-spine & posterior T-spine

# **Neuromuscular Relationships**

Motion Segment	Nerve Root	Myotome	Dermatome	Reflex
Occ-C1	C1	Ø	Skull vertex	Ø
C1–2	C2	Neck flexion— Rectus capitis & SCM	Temple, forehead, occiput	Ø
C2-3	C3	Neck SB— Trapezius & Splenius capitis	Cheek, neck	Ø
C3-4	C4	Shoulder elevation— Levator scapula & Trapezius	Clavicle & upper scapula	Ø
C4-5	C5	Shoulder abd—Deltoid, Supra/i nfraspinatus, Biceps	Anterior arm— shoulder to base of 1st digit	Biceps
C5–6	C6	Elbow flex/ Wrist ext— Biceps, ECRL, ECRB, Supinator	Anterior arm to lateral forearm, 1st & 2nd digit	Brachioradialis
C6-7	C7	Elbow ext/Wrist flex—Triceps, FCU, FCR	Lateral forearm, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th digits	Triceps
C7-T1	C8	Thumb ext/ UD—EPL, EPB, FCU, ECU	Medial arm & forearm to 4th & 5th digits	Triceps
T1–2	T1	Ø	Medial forearm to base of 5th digit	Ø
T2-3	T2	Ø	Pectoralis & mid- scapula to medial upper arm & elbow	Ø

Motion	Nerve			
Segment	Root	Myotome	Dermatome	Reflex
T3-5	T3-5	Ø	Upper thorax	Ø
T5-7	T5-7	Ø	Costal margins	Ø
T8-12	T8-12	Ø	Abdominal & lumbar regions	Ø
T12-L1	L1	Iliacus	Back to trochanter & inguinal region	Ø
L1-2	L2	Psoas, iliacus, & adductors	Back to mid- anterior thigh to knee	Cremasteric
L2-3	L3	Quads	Back & upper buttock to distal anterior thigh & knee	Adductor
L3-4	L4	Anterior tibialis	Medial buttock to lateral thigh, medial tibia & big toe	Patella
L4-5	L5	Extensor hallicus longus	Posterior lateral thigh, lateral leg, dorsum of foot, & toes 1, 2, 3	Tib posterior, Med hamstrings
L5-S2	S1–2	Gluteals, hamstrings, peroneals, gastroc-soleus	Posterior thigh & leg, lateral foot & heel	Achilles
S2-3	S3	Ø	Groin, medial thigh to knee	Ø
S3-4	S4	Bladder & rectum	Perineum & genitals	Ø

## **Special Tests**

#### SLUMP TEST

Purpose: Assess neural mobility

Position: Sitting with trunk in slumped

posture

Technique: While sustaining neck flexion, sequentially add knee extension of 1 LE & then dorsiflexion; repeat with other LE <a href="Interpretation:">Interpretation:</a> + test = reproduction of

symptoms; compare bilaterally

Statistics: Sensitivity = 83% & specificity = 55%



#### SPURLING'S TEST/ CERVICAL QUADRANT SIGN

Purpose: Assess nerve roots & IVF

Position: Seated

Technique: Stand behind client with clinician's fingers interlocked on top of head & compress (axial load) with c-spine in slight extension & lateral flexion

ilexion

Interpretation: + test = referred or reproduction of pain; implicates a variety of structures related to compromise of the IVF

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Statistics: Sensitivity = 30%-60% & specificity = 74%-100%





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#### CERVICAL FORAMINAL DISTRACTION TEST

Purpose: Assess cervical mobility, foraminal size, &

nerve root impingement Position: Supine or sitting

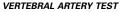
Technique: Clinician imparts a controlled distraction force of the C-spine to ↑ the IVF space &

decompress the facet its

Interpretation: + test = ↓ or centralization of symptoms implies an effective means of intervention: pain = spinal ligament tear, annulus fibrosis tear/inflammation, large disk herniation, muscle auardina

Statistics: Sensitivity = 40%-44% & specificity =

90%-100%



Purpose: Test for integrity of internal carotid arteries

Position: Supine

Technique: Place hands under client's occiput to passively extend & SB C-spine then rotate to ~45° & hold x 30 sec; engage client in conversation while monitoring pupils & affect; repeat with rotation to opposite direction Interpretation: + test = occlusion of vertebral artery inhibits normal blood flow & may result in nausea, dizziness, diplopia, tinnitus, confusion, nystagmus, unilateral pupil changes





#### ALAR LIGAMENT TEST

Purpose: Assess alar ligament integrity

**Position:** Supine

Technique: While palpating spinous process

(SP) of C2, slightly SB head

Interpretation: Under normal conditions, (R) rotation & SB tightens (L) alar ligament & flexion tightens both. Thus, the SP should move immediately in the contralateral direction to SB (+) test = a delay in SP movement of C2 may indicate pathology of the alar ligament (most common in client's with RA)



#### TRANSVERSE LIGAMENT TEST

Purpose: Assess transverse portion of cruciform ligament Position: Supine with head cradled in the clinician's hands

Technique: Anterior & posterior glides are used to locate the anterior arches of C2. Once identified, the C2 arches are stabilized posteriorly with the clinician's thumbs & the client's occiput is lifted with the cupped hands to translate the head forward. This glides the head & C1 anterior on C2. Hold for 15-30 seconds

Interpretation: + test = Vertigo, nystagmus, paresthesia into face or UE & indicates A-A instability 2° pathology of transverse ligament



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#### LATERAL & AP RIB COMPRESSION

Purpose: Assess ribs for fx

Position: Supine

Technique: With clinician's hands on the lateral aspect of the rib cage, compress bilaterally; repeat with hands on the front & back of the chest Interpretation: + test = pain due to rib fracture or costochondral separation





#### RIB MOTION TEST

Purpose: Assess costal mobility

Position: Supine

Technique: Palpate AP mov't of ribs as client inhales/exhales

Interpretation: During inspiration, ribs 1–6 should ↑ in AP dimension, while ribs 7–10 should ↑ in lateral dimension via bucket handle action & ribs 8–12 should ↑ in lateral dimension via caliper action; + test = inhibited rib movement with exhalation suggests an elevated rib; inhibited rib movement with inhalation suggests a depressed rib

#### BEEVOR'S SIGN

Purpose: Assess abdominal musculature

Position: Supine with knees flexed & feet on mat

Technique: Head & shoulders are raised off the mat while movement of

the umbilicus is observed

Interpretation: Umbilicus should remain in a straight line. + test depends on direction of movement. Movement distally = weak upper abdominals, movement proximally = weak lower abdominals, movement up & (R) = weak muscles in (L) lower quadrant, movement down & (L) = weak muscles in the (R) upper quadrant

#### QUADRATUS TEST

Purpose: Assess quadratus lumborum muscle strength

Position: Ipsilateral side-lying on elbow

Technique: Lift ipsilateral hip to align back & lower extremities

Interpretation: + test = inability to lift hip = weakness



#### STANDING / SITTING FORWARD FLEXION TEST

Purpose: Assess mobility of ilium or sacrum

Position: Standing or sitting

Technique: Palpate PSIS while client slowly FB with LE straight & hands

reaching toward the floor

Interpretation: Segmental movement should begin with L-spine, then sacrum, & then innominate; (+) test = asymmetrical movement with the pathologic side being the one that moves more

Statistics: Sensitivity = 17% & specificity = 79%

#### GILLET'S MARCH TEST

Purpose: Assess innominate mobility

**Position:** Standing

Technique: While clinician palpates inferior aspect of (R) PSIS with 1 thumb & medial sacral crest (S2 @ the level of the PSIS) with 1 thumb, client is asked to flex the (R) hip to 90°-120°;

repeat other side

Interpretation: Normal = L-spine (L) SB & (R) rotation should be accompanied by (R) innominate rotating posterior & sacrum rotating (L); + test = asymmetrical PSIS movement, pop/click, or reproduction of pain



Statistics: Sensitivity = 8%-43% & specificity = 68%-93%

#### SUPINE TO SIT TEST

Purpose: Assess position of the ilium

Position: Supine with both LEs extended

Technique: Palpate medial malleolus as client performs a long sit-up (Be

careful not to rotate the trunk while sitting up)

Interpretation: + test = a short-to-long leg position = posterior ilium rota-

tion; a long-to-short leg position = anterior ilium rotation

Statistics: Sensitivity = 44% & specificity = 64%

#### LUMBAR QUADRANT TEST

Purpose: Assess nerve roots & IVF

Position: Standing or sitting

Technique: Assist the client in extending spine & SB ipsilaterally with rotation contralaterally & then apply overpressure through the shoulders;

repeat to other side

Interpretation: + test = radicular symptoms are due to nerve root compression whereas local

pain incriminates the facet joints



## PRONE KNEE BENDING

Purpose: Assess neural mobility
Position: Basic test position = prone with

him and ad

hips extended

Technique: Add each of the following motions to implicate a specific nerves.

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of

symptoms



Modification for nerve bias:	Nerve implicated:
Knee flexion	Femoral nerve (L2–4)
Hip adduction with knee flexion	Lateral femoral cutaneous nerve
Hip abduction, ER, knee extension, & ankle dorsiflexion & eversion	Saphenous nerve

#### SLR TEST

Purpose: Assess neural mobility

Position: Basic SLR test position = hip flexion, adduction, IR with knee

extended

Technique: Add each of the following motions to implicate specific nerves

Modification for nerve bias:	Nerve implicated:
Dorsiflexion	Sciatic nerve
Dorsiflexion, eversion, & toe extension	Tibial nerve
Dorsiflexion & inversion	Sural nerve
Plantarflexion & inversion	Common peroneal nerve

## **Interpretation**: + test = reproduction of symptoms



Statistics: Sensitivity = 76%–96% & specificity = 10%–45%

#### STOOP TEST

Purpose: Differentiate neurogenic vs. vascular intermittent claudication

**Position:** Standing

Technique: Client walks briskly until symptoms appear & then flexes for-

ward or sits

Interpretation: + test = if symptoms are quickly relieved with FB, claudication is neurogenic; can also perform on a stationary bike

#### SI POSTERIOR COMPRESSION TEST (Anterior Gapping)

Purpose: Assess for SI pathology

Position: Supine with clinician's hands crossed over client's pelvis on

ASISs

Technique: Apply a lateral force to the ASISs through the hands

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of SI joint pain Statistics: Sensitivity = 7%-69% & specificity = 69%-100%





## SI POSTERIOR GAPPING TEST (Compression of iliac crests)

Purpose: Assess for SI pathology

Position: Side-lying

Technique: Apply a downward force through the anterior aspect of the

ASIS to create posterior gapping of the SI

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of SI joint pain

Statistics: Sensitivity = 4%-60% & specificity = 81%-100%

#### **HOOVER TEST**

Purpose: Assess malingering

**Position:** Supine

Technique: Hold client's heels of (B) LEs in clinician's hands, ask client to

lift 1 leg out of a hand

Interpretation: + test = client does not lift the leg & there is no downward force exerted by the contralateral limb

SI Cluster Tests	Sensitivity	Specificity
<ul> <li>Standing flexion, PSIS palpation, supine to long-sit, &amp; prone knee flexion</li> </ul>	82	88
Distraction, thigh thrust, Gaenslen's, compression, & sacral thrust	91	78
Thigh thrust, distraction, sacral thrust, & compression	88	78

# **Waddell Nonorganic Signs**

Sign	Description
Tenderness— superficial or nonanatomic	Tenderness is not related to a particular structure. It may be superficial (tender to a light pinch over a wide area) or deep tenderness felt over a wide area (may extend over many segmental levels).
Simulation tests— axial loading in rotation	These tests give the client the impression that diagnostic tests are being performed. Slight pressure (axial loading) applied to the top of the head or passive rotation of the shoulders & pelvis in the same direction produces c/o LBP
<b>Distraction tests –</b> SLR	A (+) clinical test (SLR) is confirmed by testing the structures in another position. By appearing to test the plantar reflex in sitting, the examiner may actually lift the leg higher than that of the supine SLR.
Regional disturbances— weakness or sensory	When the dysfunction spans a widespread region of the body (sensory or motor) that cannot be explained via anatomical relationships. This may be demonstrated by the client "giving way" or cogwheel resistance during strength testing of many major muscle groups or reporting diminish sensation in a nondermatomal pattern (stocking effect).
Overreaction	Disproportionate responses via verbalization, facial expressions, muscle tremors, sweating, collapsing, rubbing affected area, or emotional reactions.

<u>Note</u>: Any positive test in 3 or more categories results in an overall Waddell Score.

# **Differential Diagnosis**

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Torticollis—7 forms of congenital torticollis & other causes include hemivertebra, cervical pharyngitis (major cause in 5–10 yo), JRA, trauma	■ Symptoms appear @ 6–8 weeks of age ■ ↓ Contralateral rotation & ipsilateral SB (unilateral) ■ Firm, nontender swelling about the size of an adult thumb nail ■ (-) x-ray ■ Complications include visual issues &/or reflux
Cervical Sprain—trauma or prolonged static positioning	■ Localized pain; TTP; protective muscle guarding ■ MTrP in cervical, shoulder, & scapular regions ■ ↓ Cervical ROM & stiffness with activity ■ Headache & postural changes—forward head, kyphosis ■ Screen for alar & transverse ligament px ■ Clear vertebral arteries ■ Normal DTRs & (–) x-ray
Cervical Strain—single traumatic event or cumulative trauma; most often occurs in 20–40 yo who have faulty posture, overweight, deconditioning	■ Pain with contraction & with stretching ■ Pain with prolonged sitting, walking, standing ■ TTP & protective muscle guarding ■ Pain appears several hours after injury; headache ■ ↓ Contralateral SB & rotation (AROM < PROM) ■ Clear vertebral arteries ■ Normal DTRs ■ (-) special tests & (-) x-rays

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
<b>Cervical Stenosis</b> —most common 30–60 yo; ♂ > ♀; can be congenital or developmental, onset is gradual	<ul> <li>■ Unilateral or bilateral symptoms usually span several dermatomes</li> <li>■ Pain with cervical BB &amp; ↓ with cervical FB</li> <li>■ Pain relieved with rest</li> <li>■ Loss of hand dexterity, LOB &amp; unsteady gait</li> <li>■ (+) Quadrant test</li> <li>■ LMN signs at the level of the stenosis &amp; UMN signs below the level of stenosis</li> <li>■ X-rays reveal spondylitic bars &amp; osteophytes &amp; ossification of PLL &amp; Ligamentum Flavum</li> </ul>	
Cervical Spondylosis—↑ onset with aging but may be accelerated by cumulative trauma, poor body mechanics, postural changes, or previous disk injury; most common @ C5–7	↑ Pain with activity & stiffness     @ rest     Limited A & PROM; crepitus     (+) Compression/distraction test     ↓ Disk height on x-ray; need to     r/o osteophytes	
Cervical Disk Pathology (most common level is C5–6)—usually the result of repetitive stresses on the neck as a result of poor posture or muscle imbalances; most common in 30–50 yo	(+) NTPT—median nerve with contralateral cervical SB, cervical rotation <60° & cervical FB <50°     (+) Tests: compression, distraction, shoulder depression & Spurling's maneuver     Sensory changes in the respective dermatome     X-rays are of little value     CT & MRI used to differentiate nucleus pulposus from annulus fibrosis	
Cervical Facet Syndrome—occurs as a result of isolated or cumulative trauma, DDD, aging, or postural imbalances	<ul> <li>Pain with hyperextension &amp; rotation of c-spine</li> <li>Muscle guarding &amp; stiffness</li> <li>Poor movement patterns but no weakness</li> <li>Paresthesia but no changes in DTRs</li> <li>Possible (+) NTPT; (+) Quadrant test</li> <li>(-) X-ray</li> </ul>	

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Brachial Plexus Lesion (Plexopathy, Burner, Stinger)—occurs from stretching or compression of C-spine or forceful depression of shoulder	■ Sharp & burning pain in UE ■ Numbness/pins & needles present in UE ■ Transient muscle weakness & ↓ DTR ■ Provocation test = ipsilateral cervical SB with compression OR contralateral SB (stretch) ■ (+) NTPT ■ Confirmed with myelogram	
Rib Fracture—mechanism is a direct blow; cough in a frail person	(+) Tests: AP & lateral rib compression     TTP & pain with deep inspiration     (+) X-ray is difficult to assess immediately after injury	
Costochondritis—may be due to trauma, infection, arthritis, or surgery	<ul> <li>Localized pain in anterior chest wall</li> <li>TTP; pain ↑ with cough that may radiate into UE</li> </ul>	
Compression Fracture—most common in T11–L2, may be related to trauma or osteoporosis	<ul> <li>Acute pain with adjacent muscle guarding</li> <li>Limited BB &amp; rotation</li> <li>(+) X-ray</li> </ul>	
Spondylosis / Arthrosis— degenerative changes that usually effects C5–6, C6–7, L4–5 of clients >60 yo	■ Onset is slow; pain is unilateral &     ↑ with prolonged postures ■ Pain ↑ with BB & ↓ with FB but usually does not radiate ■ Confirmed with x-ray; osteo- phytes, ↓ joint space, & narrow IVF may be present	
Spondylolysis—traumatic fractures of pars or stress fractures due to repeated or sustained extension, seen in young athletes 2° repetitive trauma (ski jumping, gymnastics); may have a structural predisposition	<ul> <li>Pain primarily with extension</li> <li>Intermittent neurologic signs &amp; symptoms</li> <li>Oblique x-ray reveals fracture of pars interarticularis without slippage (Scottie dog with a collar)</li> </ul>	

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Spondylolisthesis—vertebral subluxation or slippage 2° a long history of LB trauma Retrolisthesis = not common but presents with flexion symptoms	■ L5 nerve entrapment → sciatica ■ Morning stiffness; difficulty getting OOB ■ ↑ Pain with trunk extension ■ Poor neuromuscular control— "Hitching sign" = 2-step process of moving from FB & BB via 1st extending lumbar spine into lordosis & then extending hip ■ Palpable step deformity in WB, gone in NWB ■ (+) Tests: PIVM & compression test ■ A/P & lateral x-ray confirms dx	
Lumbar Disk Pathology—usually the result of repetitive stresses on the LB using improper body mechanics or excessive force posterior/lateral > lateral; most common in 30–50 yo Note: See "Lumbar Disk Posturing & Pain" on page 173.	■ Posterior-lateral HNP:  1st sign is LBP that slowly diminishes to leg pain  LB flexion 2° ↑ disk pressure  (+) Thecal signs (pain with sneezing & coughing)  (+) SLR; ↓ lumbar lordosis  Lateral shift in standing that ↓ in supine  Lateral HNP:  No LBP; LE symptoms consistent with level of injury  ↑ Pain with standing & walking; ↓ with sitting  (-) SLR  Standard x-rays are of little value because they may only detect preexisting degenerative changes; MRI, CT scan, myelogram & discogram are used for diagnosis	
Lumbar Sprain—usually results from a combination of forward bending with rotation or SB; common in people <30 yo	<ul> <li>Unilateral LBP</li> <li>Pain with SB away &amp; rotation toward affected side</li> <li>Referred pain limited to gluteals &amp; thigh regions</li> </ul>	

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Lumbar Facet Syndrome—occurs as a result of isolated or cumulative trauma, DDD, aging, or postural imbalances	<ul> <li>Pain referred to gluteals or thigh</li> <li>Muscle guarding</li> <li>Pain primarily with compression; morning stiffness</li> <li>Pain ↓ with FB</li> <li>Pain ↑ with BB &amp; ipsilateral SB; difficulty standing straight</li> <li>X-ray may show osteophytes (spondylosis)</li> </ul>	
Lumbar Stenosis—progressive, irreversible, & insidious onset of narrowing of the spinal canal; history of LBP $\times$ several years; occurs mostly in people over 50 yo; $\vec{\sigma} > \vec{\gamma}$	<ul> <li>■ Dull ache across LS region when standing &amp; walking</li> <li>↓ Pain when leaning forward, walking uphill, with pillow under knees, knees to chest, or sitting in flexion</li> <li>Usually (B) pain into buttocks &amp; proximal thigh</li> <li>■ Nocturnal pain &amp; cramping</li> <li>■ Paresthesia that ↑ with BB &amp; WB</li> <li>(→) Tests: SLR &amp; femoral nerve test</li> <li>■ Postural changes: ↓ Lumbar lordosis &amp; LE flexion</li> <li>■ No change in B&amp;B or pulses</li> <li>■ LMN signs at level of lesion, UMN signs below level of lesion (ataxia, reflex hyperactivity (3+), (+) stoop test, &amp; proprioceptive deficits)</li> <li>■ X-ray may show osteophytes or ossification of PLL &amp; ligamentum flavum; CT scan may show bony encroachment of spinal canal; MRI confirms clinical findings; myelogram will show amount of constriction of thecal sac</li> </ul>	

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Trochanteric Bursitis—may result from contralateral gluteus medius weakness or a change/\u00f1 in activity level; direct trauma	Pain into buttock & lateral thigh Pain worse at night & with activity TTP over greater trochanter Possible "clicking" with AROM & pain with resisted hip abduction Check for leg length discrepancy (-) X-ray
Piriformis Syndrome—most commonly due to repeated compressive forces or may result from a change/↑ in activity level; ♀ > ♂	<ul> <li>Piriformis TTP</li> <li>Ipsilateral LB, buttock, &amp; referred LE pain</li> <li>Pain &amp; weakness with resisted abduction/ER of thigh</li> <li>Pain with stretch into hip flexion, adduction &amp; IR</li> <li>(-) X-ray; need to r/o sprain/strain or HNP</li> </ul>
Ischiogluteal Bursitis—may result from a change/↑ in activity level	<ul> <li>Pain into buttock &amp; posterior thigh that is worse in sitting</li> <li>TTP over ischial tuberosity</li> <li>(+) Tests: SLR &amp; Patrick test</li> <li>(-) X-ray</li> </ul>
Ankylosing Spondylitis (Marie Stüumpell's disease)—involves anterior longitudinal ligament & ossification of disk & thoracic zygapophyseal joints; most common in 15–40 yo; ♂ > ♀	■ Postural changes: ■ Cervical hyperextension ■ Thoracic kyphosis ■ ↓ Lumbar lordosis ■ Hip & knee flexion contractures ■ Night pain & ↓ rib expansion ■ ↑ SED rate ■ 5 screening questions: ■ Morning stiffness > 30 minutes ■ Improvement with exercise ■ Onset of back pain before 40 yo ■ Slow onset ■ Symptoms > 3 months 4+ positive questions is highly correlated with AS

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Osteoporosis—results from insufficient formation or excessive resorption of bone; occurs with ↑ age, low body fat, low Ca++ intake, high caffeine intake, bed rest, alcoholism, steroid use	<ul> <li>Dowager's hump (dorsal kyphosis)</li> <li>Loss of height (2–4 cm/fracture)</li> <li>Acute regional back pain (low thoracic/high lumbar)</li> <li>Pain radiating anterior along costal margins</li> <li>Fragile skin</li> <li>X-ray does not show bone loss but will reveal fx</li> <li>Bone scan needed for confirmation</li> </ul>

Vascular vs. N	eurological Cl	audication
Vascular Signs & Symptoms		Neurogenical Signs & Symptoms
Primarily affects people >40 yo	Population	
Bilateral—hip, thigh, & buttock to calf	Pain location	Unilateral or bilateral— LB & buttocks
Cramping, aching, squeezing	Pain description	Numbness, tingling, burning, weakness
Pain is present regardless of spinal position	Positional response	Pain ↓ with spinal flexion & ↑ with spinal extension
Pain brought on by physical exertion (walking, particularly uphill) & relieved within minutes of rest	Response to activity	Pain ↑ with walking & ↓ with recumbency
↓ LE pulses; color & skin changes	Pulses & skin	Normal pulses & skin
No burning or sensation changes	Sensation	Burning & numbness in LE

# **Lumbar Disk Posturing & Pain**

Posturing	PAIN	l
	Herniation medial to nerve root	Herniation lateral to nerve root
lpsilateral list (medial pain behavior)	↓ Pain	↑ Pain
Contralateral list (lateral pain behavior)	↑ Pain	↓ Pain

# **Prognosis of a Lumbar Disk Herniation**

Factors that can influence a (+) outcome:		Factors that can influence a (-) outcome
(-) Crossed SLR test     No leg pain with spinal extension     Large extrusion or sequestration     (+) Response to corticosteroids     No spinal stenosis     Progressive recovery of neurological deficits in first 12 weeks	Clinical	(+) Crossed SLR test     Leg pain with spinal extension     Contained herniation     (-) Response to corticosteroids     Presence of spinal stenosis     Progressive neurological deficit     Cauda equine syndrome
<ul> <li>Limited psychosocial issues</li> <li>Self-employed</li> <li>Motivated</li> <li>&gt;12 years of education</li> <li>Good fitness level</li> <li>No Waddell's signs</li> </ul>	Psychosocial	<ul> <li>Overbearing psychosocial issues</li> <li>Worker's compensation</li> <li>Unmotivated</li> <li>&lt;12 years of education</li> <li>Illiterate</li> <li>&gt;3 Waddell's signs</li> </ul>

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Diagnosis	Sacral Base	ILA	Spine	Flexion Test	Test	-
®Sacral	Deep®	Shallow ®	Convex (R)	( <del>+</del> )	De	Deep ® base ↓ ®ILA spring
flexion		Caudal ®			8	with slump
©Sacral	Deep (L)	Shallow (L)	Convex (1)	(+)	Q	Deep ⊕ base  ↓⊕ILA spring
flexion		Caudal (L)			<	with slump
Bilateral sacral	I Deep ®	Deep ®	<b>↓</b> Lordosis			
flexion						
® Sacral	Shallow ®	Deep ®	Convex (L)	<del>(+)</del>		Shallow ® ↓
extension		Cranial ®				base with ext
	Shallow (L)	Deep ①	Convex (R)	÷ ©		Shallow (L)
extension		Cranial (L)				base with ext
Bilateral sacral	Shallow (B)	Deep ®	↑ Lordosis			
extension						
D/DFW	Deep ®	Shallow (L)	Convex (R)	<del>(+)</del>		Deep ® base ↓ DILA spring
sacral torsion		Caudal (R)				with slump
®/®FW	Deep (L)	Shallow (R)	Convex (L)	( <del>+</del> )		Deep ⓑ base ↓®ILA spring
sacral torsion		Caudal (L)				with slump
①/®BW	Shallow (L)	Deep ®	Convex (R)	( <del>+</del> ) ( <del>-</del> )		Shallow (L)
sacral torsion		Caudal ®				base with ext
®/©BW	Shallow ®	Deep (L)	Convex (L)	(+) (B)		Shallow ®
sacral torsion		Caudal (L)				base with ext
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ILA = inferior lateral angle LOA = left oblique axis

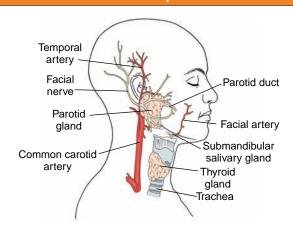
ROA = right oblique axis MTA = middle transverse axis

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® Inferior pubic shear	® Superior pubic shear	® Downslip innominate	Diagnosis	
Short leg, weak glut medius &/or	Fall on ischium or landing on 1 leg		Etiology	Different
( <del>+</del> )	(+) ®		SFT	iai Diag
(+) ® Poss® low	(+) ® Poss. ® high	® Low	ASIS	gnosis of i
Poss ® low	Poss. ® high	® Low	PSIS	liosacral L
	® shallow		Sacral sulcus	ystunction
SIJ TTP	Tight ITB, adductors & ® quadratus		Soft tissue	is—cont.a
	Supine to sit = short to long		Leg length	

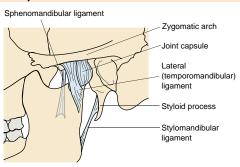
SFT = Standing Flexion Test
ASIS = Anterior Superior Iliac Spine

PSIS = Posterior Superior Iliac Spine TTP = Tender To Palpation

### **Anatomy**



### Ligaments of the jaw



# **Referral Patterns**

### **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

Masseter

Sternocleidomastoid





Scalene muscle





Digastric





Temporalis

Medial & lateral pterygoid



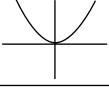


### **Palpation Pearls**

- SCM—in supine, find mastoid process & move toward the clavicular notch, have client raise head & slightly rotate to opposite side
- Scalenes—stringy muscle above the clavicle between the SCM & traps; to confirm identification, palpate in the general area & have client inhale deeply & scalenes should be in the middle of the triangle
- Masseter—palpate the side of the mandible between the zygomatic arch & the angle of the mandible, have client clench the jaw
- Suprahyoids—palpate under the tip of the chin & resist mandibular depression or have the client swallow to confirm identification
- Anterior digastric—palpate extraorally inferior to body of the mandible
- Posterior digastric—palpate extraorally posterior to the angle of the mandible
- Medial pterygoid—palpate intraorally along medial rim of the mandible
- Lateral pterygoid—palpate intraorally along superior, posterior aspect behind 3rd maxillary molar

#### **ROM**

- Mandibular depression (opening)—
   35–50 mm (2–3 knuckles) is functional
  - C-deviation = hypomobility toward side of deviation (lateral pterygoid tension or disk pathology)
  - S-deviation = muscle imbalance or displacement of condyle around disk
- Mandibular elevation (closing)—palpate quality of movement to resting position
- Mandibular protrusion = 6-9 mm; must take into account the starting position if there is an overbite or underbite present
- Mandibular retrusion = 3-4 mm
- Mandibular lateral excursion = 10–15 mm



# Osteokinematics of the TMJ

Motion	Normal End-feel(s)	Abnormal End-feel(s)
Opening/ Closing	Open = tissue stretch/elastic Closed = bone-to-bone	Hard = osseous abnormality
Protrusion/ retrusion	Tissue stretch/elastic	Springy = disk displacement
Lateral excursion	Tissue stretch/elastic	Capsular = shortening of periarticular tissues

# **Arthrokinematics of TMJ**

Opening & closing	Concave surface: Mandibular fossa Convex surface: Mandibular condyle & disk	To facilitate opening: Condyles rotate anterior for the first 25°, then anterior & inferior gliding of condyle & disk completes the last 15° of movement	To facilitate closing: Condyles & disk roll posterior & glide medially & superior
Protrusion & retrusion	Concave surface: Mandibular fossa Convex surface: Mandibular condyle & disk	To facilitate protrusion: Disk & condyle move down & FW	To facilitate retrusion: Disk & condyle move up & BW
Lateral excursion	Concave surface: Mandibular fossa Convex surface: Mandibular condyle & disk	To facilitate lateral excursic (R) excursion = (L) condyle anterior; while (R) condyle vertical axis (L) excursion = (R) condyle anterior; while (L) condyle vertical axis	& disk glide spins around & disk glide

### **Special Tests**

- CLEAR CRANIAL NERVES see "Alerts/Alarms" tab page 13.
- AUSCULTATION—used to identify poor joint kinematics or joint/disk damage; place stethoscope over TMJ, just anterior to tragus of ear, and clinician listens for presence of joint sounds; very sensitive to finding a problem but not specific in the identification of the structure.

Interpretation:

- Opening click = click as condyle moves over posterior aspect of disk in an effort to restore normal relationship; disk is anterior to condyle; the later the click, the more anterior the disk
- Reciprocal click = in opening, the disk reduces as the condyle moves under the disk & in closing, a second click is heard as the condyle slips posteriorly & the disk becomes displaced anteriorly

### LATERAL POLE

Purpose: Assess soft tissues of TMJ

Position: Face client with clinician's index fingers palpating lateral pole of

TM.I

Technique: Open & close mouth several times

Interpretation: + test = ↑ or reproduction of symptoms incriminating LCL or TMJ ligament

#### EXTERNAL AUDITORY MEATUS

Purpose: Assess posterior disk

Position: Face client, clinician inserts little fingers into client's ears

Technique: While applying forward pressure with fingers, client opens &

closes mouth repeatedly

Interpretation: + test = ↑ or reproduction of symptoms

Statistics: Sensitivity = 43% & specificity = 75%

#### DYNAMIC LOADING

Purpose: To mimic TMJ loading to differentiate between TMJ & muscle pain

Position: Sitting with roll of gauze between molars on 1-side

Technique: Client bites down on gauze roll

Interpretation: Compression occurs on contralateral side & distraction on ipsilateral side of gauze; + test = ↑ or reproduction of symptoms @ TMJ

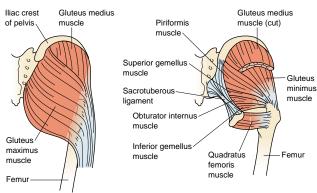
# **Differential Diagnosis**

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Inflammation—may be the result of acute or repetitive trauma, pro- longed immobilization or surgery	<ul> <li>■ Capsular tightness with ↓ opening</li> <li>■ Pain with or without movement</li> <li>■ Need to r/o disk displacement</li> </ul>
*Disk Displacement—may be related to poor posture, trauma, excessive opening, muscle imbal- ance (anterior displacement is most common)	Muscle guarding Localized TTP Headache Confirmed with MRI
TMJ Arthritis—gradual onset, poor kinematics or repeated trau- ma of the TMJ that leads to joint erosion	<ul> <li>Pain, stiffness, crepitus, clicking, grinding</li> <li>J ROM (deviation toward involved side)</li> <li>Headache</li> <li>Hearing loss &amp; dizziness</li> <li>Confirmed with x-ray or MRI; need to r/o disk problem</li> </ul>

\*Disk can result in clicking or locking. Locked open = disk is anterior and with opening there is a click with the disk being displaced posterior, then the joint is locked in the open position; locked closed = disk is anterior to the condyle so anterior translation is limited & opening is reduced.

## **Anatomy of the Hip**

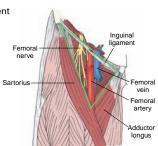
### Muscles of the hip



# **Palpation Pearls**

### Femoral triangle

- Superior border = inguinal ligament
- Lateral to medial = sartorius, femoral nerve, femoral artery, femoral vein, great saphenous vein, pectineus muscle, & adductor longus muscle
- Piriformis find mid-point between PSIS & coccyx, piriformis runs from this point lateral to greater trochanter



### **Medical Red Flags**

- Pain @ McBurney's point = 1/s-1/2 the distance from (R) ASIS to umbilicus; tenderness = appendicitis
- Blumberg's sign = rebound tenderness for visceral pathology—in supine select a site away from the painful area, place your hand perpendicular to the abdomen & push down deep & slow; lift up quickly; (-) = no pain; (+) = pain on release
- Psoas test for pelvic pathology = supine, SLR to 30° & resist hip flexion; (+) test for pelvic inflammation or infection in lower quadrant abdominal pain; hip or back pain is a (-) test
- Constitutional symptoms
- Enlarged inguinal lymph nodes
- Hip pain in men 18–24 years old of unknown etiology should be screened for testicular CA
- Systemic causes of hip pain
  - Bone tumors
    - Crohn's disease
  - Inflammatory bowel or pelvic inflammatory disease
  - Ankylosing spondylitis
  - Sickle cell anemia
  - Hemophilia
  - Urogenital problems
- Neuromusculoskeletal causes of hip pain
   LB &/or SI
  - OA or stress fx
  - Hernia
  - Muscle weakness
  - Sprain/strain
  - Labral tear
- Screen for a sports hernia
  - Palpation of marble-sized lump along the path of the inguinal ligament
  - Pain with exertion, cough, menstruation
  - Radiating pain into groin, ipsilateral thigh, flank, or lower abdomen
  - Pain with cutting, turning, striding out

### **Toolbox Tests**

# Western Ontario & McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC)

Instructions: Please rate the activities in each category according to the following scale of difficulty:

0 = none; 1 = slight; 2 = moderate; 3 = very; 4 = extremely

Pain	Walking	
	Stair climbing	
	Nocturnal	
	Rest	
	Weight bearing	
Stiffness	Morning stiffness	
	Stiffness occurring later in the day	
Physical	Descending stairs	
Function	Ascending stairs	
	Rising from sitting	
	Standing	
	Bending to floor	
	Walking on flat surface	
	Getting in/out of car	
	Going shopping	
	Putting on socks	
	Lying in bed	
	Taking off socks	
	Rising from bed	
	Getting in/out of bath	
	Sitting	
	Getting on/off toilet	
	Heavy domestic duties	
	Light domestic duties	
Total Score	•	

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Scoring: Summate the scores of each item for the total score. The higher the score, the more severe the disability.

Source: From Bellamy, et al. Journal of Rheumatology, 15:1833-1840, 1988.

### **HARRIS Hip Score**

Select the descriptor for each section that best describes your current condition

condition		
Pain—44 possible points		
None or ignores it		44
Slight, occasional, no comp	romise in activities	40
Mild pain, no effect on aver unusual activities, may take	age activities, moderate pain with	30
	t makes concessions, some limitation nal pain medicine stronger than aspirin	20
Marked pain, serious limitat	tion of activity	10
Totally disabled, crippled, p	ain in bed, bedridden	0
Function/Gait—33 possible	points	
Distance Walked	Unlimited	11
	4-6 blocks	8
	2-3 blocks	5
	Indoors only	2
	Unable to walk	0
Limp	None	11
	Slight	8
	Moderate	5
	Severe	0
Support	None	11
	Cane for long walks	7
	Cane most of the time	5
	One crutch	3
	Two canes	2
	Two crutches	0
	Not able to walk	0

### HARRIS Hip Score—cont'd

Select the descriptor for each section that best describes your current condition

Function/Activities—14 possible points

Tullotion/Autitities 14 possib	i diletion/Activities—14 possible points				
Stairs	Norn	nally without rail	4		
	Norn	nally with rail	2		
	In an	In any manner			
	Unab	ole to do stairs	0		
Shoes & Socks	With	ease	4		
	With	difficulty	2		
	Unab	ole	0		
Sitting	Com	fortable in ordinary chair 1 hr	5		
	On a	high chair for ½ hr	3		
	Unab	ole to sit comfortably	0		
Enter Public Transportation			1		
Deformity—4 points for each of the following present					
<30° flexion contracture					
<10° adduction contracture					
<10° abduction contracture					
<3.2 cm leg-length discrepancy	discrepancy				
ROM					
Flexion	0-45° (1.0 point per degree)				
	+ 0.6	points/degree from 45°-90°			
	+ 0.3 points/degree from 90°-110°				
Abduction	0-15	° (0.8 points per degree)			
	+ 0.3 points/degree from 15°-20°				
ER (in ext)	0-15° (0.4 points per degree)				
Adduction	0–15° (0.2 points per degree)				
Total Score					
Scoring: The higher the total score, the lower the level of disability.					

Source: From Harris, WH. Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery, 51-A(4):737-755, 1969.

# **Referral Patterns**

### **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

Gluteus maximus



Tensor fascia latae











Iliopsoas

### Osteokinematics of the Hip

Normal ROM	OPP	СРР	Normal End-feel(s)	Abnormal End-feel(s)
Flexion = 100°-120° Ext = 15° Abduction = 40°-45° IR = 30°-40° ER = 40°-50°	30° flexion 30° abd & slight ER	max ext, IR, abd	Flexion & Add = elastic or tissue approx SLR = elastic Ext & Abd = elastic/firm IR & ER = elastic/firm	Capsular = IR > Ext > Abd

# **Arthrokinematics for Hip Mobilization**

Concave surface: acetabulum	To facilitate hip flexion: Femur spins posterior	To facilitate hip extension: Femur spins anterior
	To facilitate hip abduction: Femur spins lateral & glides medial	To facilitate hip adduction: Femur spins medial & glides lateral
Convex surface: femoral head	To facilitate hip IR: Femur rolls medial & glides lateral on pelvis	To facilitate hip ER: Femur rolls lateral & glides medial on pelvis

### **Special Tests**

#### THOMAS TEST

Purpose: Assess for tight hip flexors

Position: Supine with lumbar spine stabi-

lized & involved LE extended Technique: Flex contralateral hip to the

abdomen Interpretation: + test = flexion of the involved hip or lumbar spine indicates

tight hip flexors



#### ELY'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for tight rectus femoris
Position: Side-lying or prone, hip in extension

Technique: Flex knee

Interpretation: + test = limited knee flexion with hip extension or inability

to maintain hip extension when knee is flexed





#### OBER'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for tight ITB

Position: Side-lying with involved hip up Technique: Extend the involved hip &

allow LE to drop into adduction

Interpretation: + test = LE fails to adduct



### IMPINGEMENT TEST

Purpose: Assess for labral tears & femoroac-

etabular impingement

**Position:** Supine

Technique: Simultaneously flex, adduct & ER hip

to end range

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain

Statistics: Kappa = 0.58



#### SCOUR TEST

Purpose: Assess for labral tear Position: Supine, flex hip to 90°

Technique: IR/ER hip with abd/adduction while applying a compressive force down

the femur

Interpretation: + test = clicking, grinding or pain due to arthritis, acetabular labrum tear, avascular necrosis, or osteochondral defect

Statistics: Sensitivity = 75%–79% & specificity = 43%–50%



#### ANTERIOR LABRAL TEST

Purpose: Assess for labral tear

Position: Supine in PNF D2 flexion (hip in full flex, ER & abd)
Technique: Resist movement into ext IR & add (D2 extension)
Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain or click





#### POSTERIOR LABRAL TEST

Purpose: Assess for labral tear

Position: Supine in flexion with adduction, & IR (similar to PNF D1 pattern

but with IR)

Technique: Resist movement into ext, abduction, & ER (similar to D1

extension but with ER)

Interpretation: + test = reproduction of pain or click





#### LOG ROLL TEST

Purpose: Assess for iliofemoral ligament

laxity

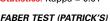
Position: Supine with LEs extended

Technique: Roll the LE into maximal ER by applying a medial to lateral force

through the thigh

Interpretation: + test = excessive ER as compared to the contralateral LE

Statistics: Kappa = 0.61



Purpose: Assess hip/SI & labral pathology Position: Supine -passively flex, abduct & ER the hip (figure-4 position) so that the lateral malleolus of the involved LF is on

the knee of the uninvolved LE

Technique: Apply overpressure to flexed knee

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Interpretation: + test = hip pain 2° to OA, osteophytes, intracapsular fx, or LBP 2° SI px; tightness without pain is a (-) test; pain experienced assuming this position may indicate a problem with the sartorius muscle Labral pathology may be suspected if lateral aspect of the knee is >4cm from the surface & asymmetrical

Statistics: Kappa = 0.63; sensitivity = 41%-77%; specificity = 88%-100%

#### TRENDELENBURG'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for weakness of gluteus medius

Position: Standing on involved LE

Technique: Flex the contralateral LE; iliac crest on WB side should be lower than the NWB side Interpretation: + test = dropping of the NWB limb is 2° to abductor weakness (common in epiphyseal problem, Legg-Calve-Perthes, MD)



#### PIRIFORMIS TEST

Purpose: Assess for tight piriformis Position: Supine or contralateral

side-Ivina

Technique: Flex hip to 70°-80° with knee flexed & maximally adduct LE (apply a downward force to the knee) Interpretation: + test = pain in buttock & sciatica: IR stresses superior fibers: ER stresses inferior fibers

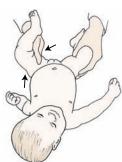


#### ORTOLANI'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for congenital hip dislocation Position: Supine fix hips & knees @ 90° of flexion; clinician's thumbs are on the infant's medial thigh & fingers on the

lateral thigh

Technique: Firmly traction the thigh while gently abducting the leg so that femoral head is translated anterior into the acetabulum Interpretation: + test = reduction of the hip; an audible "clunk" may be heard



#### BARLOW'S TEST

(Opposite of the Ortolani Test) Purpose: Assess for hip dysplasia

Position: Supine 90/90: clinician's thumbs are on the infant's medial thigh & fingers on the

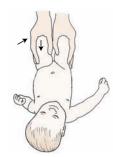
lateral thigh

Technique: Apply a posterior force thru the

femur as the thigh is gently adducted

Interpretation: + test = the examiner's finger that is on the greater trochanter will detect a

palpable dislocation



# Differential Diagnosis

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
ITB Friction Syndrome—repetitive stress & excessive friction 2° tight ITB, pronation with IR of tibia, genu varum, cycling with cleat in IR Proximal problem = hip syndrome Distal problem = runner's knee	<ul> <li>Pain with downhill running; sense of knee instability</li> <li>(+) Tests: Ober's, Noble's, &amp; Renne's</li> <li>Pain @ 30° of knee flexion in WB results in ambulating stiff legged to avoid flexion</li> <li>TTP over lateral femoral epicondyle</li> <li>Visible &amp; palpable snapping</li> <li>(-) X-ray; MRI &amp; US may confirm diagnosis</li> <li>Need to r/o trochanteric bursitis &amp; osteochondritis</li> </ul>
Greater Trochanteric Bursitis— biomechanical or overuse problem; repetitive inside kicks in soccer result in forceful adduction and compression of bursa; contusions	<ul> <li>Deep, aching, diffuse pain from greater trochanter to distal lateral thigh &amp; groin</li> <li>TTP on ITB &amp; pain when rolling on hip when sleeping</li> <li>ROM = WNL except abduction may be limited by pain</li> <li>No snapping but palpable crepitus may be present</li> <li>(+) Tests: Ober's &amp; Patrick's/FABER</li> <li>(-) X-ray (needed to r/o femoral neck stress fx)</li> <li>MRI &amp; US may confirm diagnosis</li> </ul>
Apophysitis—pelvic fx 2° strenuous muscle contraction in skeletally immature child	■ TTP & weakness with resisted muscle contraction @ ASIS, AIIS, PSIS, PIIS—depending on muscle involved ■ (+) X-ray for avulsion

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Piriformis Syndrome—may result from muscle contracture, trauma, prolonged sitting	<ul> <li>■ Dull ache in buttocks</li> <li>■ Pain ↑ with sitting &amp; walking &amp; ↓ in supine</li> <li>■ Pain with resisted hip ext &amp; passive IR with adduction</li> <li>■ (-) X-ray needed to r/o stress fx; MRI needed to r/o spine pathology (LS root lesion, spinal stenosis, SI problem)</li> </ul>	
Iliopsoas Bursitis/Tendonitis— irritation & inflammation 2° overuse or unaccustomed activity	<ul> <li>Pain in medial groin/thigh with hip flexion &amp; extension</li> <li>Audible snapping when moving from hip flex to ext</li> <li>Screen for McBurney's point &amp; rebound tenderness</li> <li>(-) X-ray; need to r/o avulsion fx</li> <li>Confirmed by MRI or US</li> </ul>	
<b>Hip Pointer</b> —can result from direct trauma to iliac crest or ASIS resulting in a contusion	TTP @ iliac crest/ASIS Pain with resisted hip flexion & stretching into hip extension Pain with ambulation & hip abduction Screen for McBurney's point & rebound tenderness (-) X-ray; need to r/o fx & avulsion	
Labral Tear—damage to fibrocartilage via degeneration due to repetitive hip ER or the application of an external rotatory force to the hip while in hyperextension & hyperabduction; highly associated with hip dysplasia; anterior hip pain is correlated to weak gluteals & abdominals 2° excessive anterior femoral translation	<ul> <li>Pain with prolonged sitting, getting in/out of a car, putting on shoes/socks, &amp; twisting activities</li> <li>↑ Anterior hip pain with hyperext &amp; ER</li> <li>Pain with resisted SLR (anterior lesion)</li> <li>Often associated with weak gluteals</li> <li>↓ Hip ROM; clicking/catching from flexion to extension</li> <li>(+) Tests: FABER, impingement, Scour &amp; labral tests</li> <li>Screen for osteoid osteoma &amp; testicular CA in ♂</li> <li>MRI with contrast is best dx test (is often inconclusive)</li> </ul>	

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Avulsion Fracture—injury results from violent muscle contraction	May hear a "pop" Pain with stretch & contraction; TTP @ apophysis (+) Tests: Thomas' & Ely's May need CT or MRI if x-ray is inconclusive Need to r/o strain & slipped capital femoral epiphysis
Femoral Neck Stress Fracture— gradual onset with history of endurance tasks Beware of eating disorders, amenorrhea, & osteoporosis	Groin pain with activity TTP @ greater trochanter (+) FABER test May need CT or MRI if x-ray is inconclusive Need to r/o trochanteric bursitis & osteoid osteoma
<b>Degenerative Joint Disease</b> —usually occurs >55 yo in $\mathcal{Q} > \mathcal{S}$ (3:2)	<ul> <li>Aching pain during WB =&gt; groin, medial thigh &amp; knee</li> <li>Loss of movement &amp; function</li> <li>Trendelenburg</li> <li>(+) FABER test</li> <li>X-ray reveals narrow joint space, spurring &amp; osteophytes; can r/o fx &amp; necrosis</li> </ul>
RA—systemic disorder with bilateral WB symptoms	<ul> <li>Aching pain during WB =&gt; groin, medial thigh &amp; distal knee; loss of movement &amp; function 2° pain</li> <li>Trendelenburg</li> <li>(+) Tests: Thomas', Ely's &amp; FABER</li> <li>X-ray = bilateral demineralization of femoral head; joint space narrowing; migration of femoral head into acetabulum</li> </ul>

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms		
Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis—imbalance of growth & hormones that weakens the epiphyseal plate; may be 2° ↑ wt gain; occurs in 10–16 yo ♂ 2x > ♀	<ul> <li>■ Gradual onset of unilateral hip, thigh &amp; knee pain</li> <li>■ ↓ Hip IR; hip positioned in flexion, abd, ER</li> <li>■ Quadriceps atrophy</li> <li>■ Antalgic gait &amp; ↓ limb length</li> <li>■ AP x-ray needed to identify widening of physis &amp; ↓ ht of epiphysis; lateral view = epiphyseal displacement</li> <li>■ Need to r/o muscle strain &amp; avulsion</li> </ul>		
Legg-Calvé-Perthes (LCPD) Disorder—idiopathic osteonecrosis of capital femoral epiphysis; associated with (+) family history & breech birth. Onset occurs over 1–3 months between 4–13 yo; occurs unilaterally; ♂ > ♀	<ul> <li>Hip or groin pain (thigh resulting in antalgic gait</li> <li>(+) Trendelenburg</li> <li>↓ ROM (ext, IR &amp; abd); &gt;15° hip flexion contracture</li> <li>Leg length inequality; thigh atrophy</li> <li>Bone scan or MRI needed for early detection, x-rays may appear normal for several weeks, 1st sign (~4 wks) is radiolucent crescent image parallel to the superior rim of the femoral head</li> <li>Need to r/o JRA &amp; hip inflammation</li> </ul>		
Osteoid osteoma—benign tumor found in long bones; etiology unknown	<ul> <li>Vague hip pain @ night</li> <li>↑ Pain with activity &amp; ↓ with aspirin</li> <li>↓ ROM &amp; quad atrophy</li> <li>May be apparent on x-ray but confirmed by MRI or CT</li> <li>Need to r/o trochanteric bursitis, femoral neck stress fx</li> </ul>		
Myositis Ossificans—calcium deposits 2° contusion to the thigh	<ul><li>Localized pain</li><li>Limited knee flexion</li><li>Palpation of a calcific mass</li></ul>		

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Hip Dislocation—may result from a breech birth, trauma, or when the hip is in a weakened state after	<ul><li>(+) Tests: Ortolani's &amp; Barlow's</li><li>(+) X-ray (associated with torticollis)</li></ul>
a THR	Congenital ■ Shortened limb, positioned in flexion & abduction
	Posterior Traumatic (MVA)  Groin & lateral hip pain Shortened limb, positioned in flexion, adduction & IR
	Anterior Traumatic (forced abduction) Groin pain & tenderness Positioned in extension & ER if superior/anterior Positioned in flexion, abduction & ER if inferior/anterior

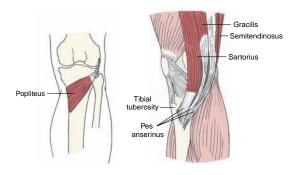
# **Knee Anatomy**

#### Anterior



### Posterior

#### Medial



### **Medical Red Flags**

- Night pain = tumor or infection
- Cellulitis

DVT risk

- Recent hx of skin trauma
- Pain, swelling, warmth
- Advancing erythema with reddish streaks
- Chills, fever, weakness
- Immobilization
  - Surgery
  - Fracture or trauma
  - Oral contraceptives
  - CHF, CA, DM
  - Pregnancy

### DVT Clinical presentation

- Leg pain & tenderness
- ↑ Circumference > 1.2 cm
- Tissue warm & firm to palpation
- ↑ Pain with BP cuff inflated to 160 mm Hg
- (+) Homans' sign

### **Imaging**

#### Ottawa Knee Rule

X-ray series is only required if the patient presents with any of the following criteria:

- >55 years old
- Isolated tenderness of the patella
- Tenderness of the head of the fibula
- Inability to flex >90°
- Inability to bear weight (4 steps) both immediately after injury & in emergency department (regardless of limping)

Statistics: Adults: Sensitivity = 98%-100% & specificity = 19%-54%

Children: Sensitivity = 92% & specificity = 49%

### **Toolbox Tests**

# Western Ontario & McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC)

Instructions: Please rate the activities in each category according to the following scale of difficulty:

0 = none; 1 = slight; 2 = moderate; 3 = very; 4 = extremely

Pain	Walking	
	■ Stair climbing	
	■ Nocturnal	
	■ Rest	
	■ Weight bearing	
Stiffness	■ Morning stiffness	
	Stiffness occurring later in the day	
Physical Function	Descending stairs	
	■ Ascending stairs	
	■ Rising from sitting	
	■ Standing	
	■ Bending to floor	
	■ Walking on flat surface	
	■ Getting in/out of car	
	■ Going shopping	
	■ Putting on socks	
	Lying in bed	
	■ Taking off socks	
	Rising from bed	
	■ Getting in/out of bath	
	■ Sitting	
	■ Getting on/off toilet	
	Heavy domestic duties	
	■ Light domestic duties	

#### **Total Score**

Scoring: Summate the scores of each item for the total score. The higher the score, the more severe the disability.

Source: From Bellamy, et al. Journal of Rheumatology, 15:1833-1840, 1988.

	Lysholm Knee Rating System		
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	Which items below best describe your knee function today?		
Limp	110110	5	
	Slight or periodic Severe & constant	0	
C	None		
Support	110110	5	
	Cane or crutch needed	2	
	Weight bearing impossible	0	
Locking	None	15	
	Catching sensation but no locking	10	
	Locking occasionally	6	
	Locking frequently	2	
	Locked joint at examination	0	
Instability	Never gives way	25	
	Rarely during physical activity	20	
	Frequently during physical activity	15	
	Occasionally during daily activity	10	
	Often during daily activity	5	
	Every step	0	
Pain	None	25	
	Intermittent during strenuous activity	20	
	Marked during strenuous activity	15	
	Marked with walking >2 km (1.2 miles)	10	
	Marked with walking <2 km (1.2 miles)	5	
	Constant	0	
Swelling	None	10	
	After strenuous activities	6	
	After ordinary activities	2	
	Constant	0	
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### Lysholm Knee Rating System—cont'd

Which items below best describe your knee function today?

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Stairs	No problem		
	Slight problem	6	
	One step at a time	2	
	Impossible	0	
Squatting	No problem	5	
	Slight problem	4	
	Not >90° knee flexion (halfway)	2	
	Impossible	0	
Total Score			

 $\it Scoring: Summate the scores of each category. The higher the score, the greater the functional abilities.$ 

Source: From Tegner, Y, Lysholm, J. Rating systems in the evaluation of knee ligament injuries. Clin Orthop Relat Res. 1985 Sep;(198):43–49.

### **Referral Patterns**

### **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

Rectus femoris







Hamstring muscles



Tensor fascia latae

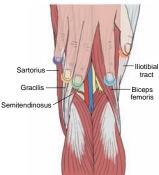


# **Palpation Pearls**

- Adductor tubercle = attachment of adductor magnus; start on medial femoral condyle & move proximal between the vastus medialis & hamstring tendons, as the femur dips in, a small point is palpable & often tender
- Lateral collateral ligament = cross leg so ankle is on contralateral knee (figure-4 position); LCL is palpable at the joint line just proximal to fibular head (firm, pencil-thickness structure)
- Common peroneal nerve = posterior lateral knee between biceps femoris tendon & lateral gastroc muscle belly
- **Popliteus** = "unlocker" of the knee; deep muscle only the tendon is palpable; follow the tibial tuberosity medially around the knee to the posterior aspect & the popliteus tendon is deep to the gastroc/soleus
- *Q-angle* = the angle created by the intersection of a line from the ASIS to the mid-patella & a line from the mid-patella to the tibial tuberosity. Normal (supine) = 13°-18° for ♀ & 10°-15° for ♂

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## **Strength & Function**

- Concentric Quad to Hamstring ratio = 5:3 (i.e., hamstrings should be 60%–65% of quads)
- Quad:Hamstring ratio should approach 5:4 at the conclusion of ACL rehabilitation
- Quad:Hamstring ratio should approach 5:2 at the conclusion of PCL rehabilitation

### Osteokinematics of the Knee

Normal ROM	OPP	СРР	Normal End-feel(s)	Abnormal End-feel(s)
Flexion >130° Rotation = 10°	25° flexion	Maximal extension & tibial ER	Flexion = tissue approximation Extension = elastic/firm SLR = elastic	Springy block = displaced meniscus Boggy = ligamentous pathology

- Femoral condyles begin to contact the patella inferior @ 20° of knee flexion; progresses superior @ 90° & medial/lateral @ 135° of knee flexion
- Structures attached to medial meniscus = MCL & semimembranosus
- Structures attached to lateral meniscus = PCL & popliteus

## **Arthrokinematics for Knee Mobilization**

	To facilitate knee extension:	
Tibial plateau		OKC = Tibia rolls & glides
	anterior on the femur	posterior on the femur
Convex surface:	<b>CKC</b> = Femur rolls anterior	CKC = Femur rolls poste-
Femoral condyles	& glides posterior on tibia	rior & glides anterior on the tibia

### **Special Tests**

#### LACHMAN'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for ACL laxity

Position: Supine with knee in 0-30° of flexion (hamstrings relaxed)

Technique: Stabilize distal femur & translate proximal tibia forward on the

femur

Interpretation: + test = >5 mm of displacement or a mushy, soft end-feel; beware of false (-) test due to hamstring guarding, hemarthrosis, posterior medial meniscus tear

Statistics: Sensitivity = 63%-99% & specificity = 90%-99%





#### PRONE LACHMAN'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for ACL laxity

Position: Prone with knee flexed to 30°, LE supported & hamstrings

relaxed

Technique: Palpate anterior aspect of the knee while imparting an anterior

force to posterior-proximal aspect of tibia

Interpretation: + test = >5 mm of displacement or a mushy, soft end-feel Beware of false (-) test due to hamstring guarding, hemarthrosis, posterior

medial meniscus tear

#### ANTERIOR DRAWER TEST

Purpose: Assess for ACL laxity

Position: Supine with foot stabilized on table, knee flexed to 80°-90° & hamstrings relaxed

Technique: Translate proximal tibia anterior

on the femur

Interpretation: + test = >5mm of anterior displacement; snap or palpable jerk with anterior drawer indicates meniscus px

Beware: Translation may appear excessive with PCL injury if tibia starts from a more posterior position

Statistics: Sensitivity = 22%-95% & specificity = 78%-97%



Purpose: Assess for PCL laxity

Position: Supine with knee flexed to 90° & foot on table

Technique: Translate proximal tibia poste-

riorly on distal femur

Interpretation: + test = >5 mm of posterior displacement

Statistics: Sensitivity = 86%-90% & specificity = 99%

### SAG or GODFREY'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for PCL laxity

Position: Supine 90/90, support LEs Technique: Compare the level of the

tibial tuberosities

Interpretation: + test = posterior displacement of the tibial tuberosity is greater in the involved lag

Statistics: Sensitivity = 79% & speci-

ficity = 100%







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#### CLARKE'S TEST: GRIND TEST: ZOHLER'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for chondromalacia or patella malacia

Position: Supine with knee in extension, clinician compresses quads at the superior pole of the patella to resist patella movement

Technique: Client contracts quads against

resistance

Interpretation: + test = inability to contract

without pain



Purpose: Assess for LCL laxity

Position: Supine: knee in full extension &

then repeat @ 30° flexion

Technique: Cup knee with heel of clinician's hand @ medial joint line; use fingers of other hand to palpate lateral joint line; apply a varus stress to the knee through the palm of the medial hand & the forearm/elbow of

the lateral hand

Interpretation: + test = pain or excessive gapping of the joint when compared with the contralateral side

Statistics: Sensitivity = 25%

#### VALGUS TEST

Purpose: Assess for MCL laxity

Position: Supine; knee in full extension &

then repeat @ 30° flexion

Technique: Cup knee with heel of clinician's hand @ lateral joint line; use fingers of other hand to palpate medial joint line: apply a valgus stress to the knee through the palm of the lateral hand & the fore-

arm/elbow of the medial hand

Interpretation: + test = pain or excessive gapping of the joint when com-

pared to the contralateral side

Statistics: Sensitivity = 86%-96%







#### APLEY'S TEST

Purpose: Assess meniscus (nonspecific for location

of meniscal tear)

Position: Prone, knee flexed to 90°; clinician grasps

foot & calcaneus

Technique: While applying a downward force through the heel, rotate the tibia internally & externally

Interpretation: + test = pain, popping, snapping, lock-

ing, crepitus

Statistics: Sensitivity = 13%-58% & specificity =

80%-93%



Purpose: Assess meniscus

Position: Supine, with 1 of clinician's hands to the side of the patella & the other grasping the distal tibia Technique: From a position of maximal flexion, extend the knee with IR of the tibia & a varus stress then returns to maximal flexion & extend the knee with ER of the tibia & a valgus stress

Interpretation: + test = pain or snapping/clicking with IR incriminates the lateral meniscus & ER incriminates the medial meniscus; if pain, snapping, or clicking occur with the knee in flexion, the posterior horn of the meniscus is involved & if the pain, snapping, or clicking occurs with increasing amounts of knee extension, the anterior meniscus is involved

Statistics: Sensitivity = 16%-67% & specificity =

57%-98%







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#### THESSALY'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for meniscal tears

Position: Standing on the involved LE with the

knee flexed @ 5°

Technique: Clinician holds pt's outstretched arms & rotates internally then externally 3x:

repeat @ 20° of knee flexion

Interpretation: + test = Pt experiences locking or

catching

Statistics: At 5°: Sensitivity = 66%-81% & specificity = 91%-96% and at 20°: Sensitivity =

89%-92% & specificity = 96%-97%



#### PATELLA APPREHENSION (FAIRBANK'S) TEST

Purpose: Assess for subluxing patella Position: Supine or seated, 30° knee flex-

ion, quads relaxed

Technique: Clinician carefully pushes

patella laterally

Interpretation: + test = Pt feels patella about to dislocate & contracts quads to keep this from happening

keep this from nappening

Statistics: Sensitivity = 32%-39% & specificity = 86%



Purpose: Assess for ITB tightness/patella mobility
Position: Relaxed in supine with knee in extension

Technique: Clinician attempts to lift the lateral border of patella

Interpretation: + test = inability to lift the lateral border of the patella

above the horizontal



#### NOBLE'S TEST

Purpose: Assess ITB irritation Position: Supine, start @ 90/90

Technique: Apply pressure over the lateral femoral condyle while extending the knee Interpretation: + test = pain or clicking @ lateral femoral condyle @ 30° of knee flexion



#### OBER'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for tight ITB

Position: Side-lying with involved hip up Technique: Extend the hip & allow LE to

drop into adduction

Interpretation: + test = LE fails to adduct

past anatomic neutral



#### RENNE'S TEST

Purpose: Assess ITB irritation

Position: Standing

Technique: Apply pressure over the lateral

femoral condyle with AROM of the knee

Interpretation: + test = pain or clicking @ lateral

femoral condyle @ 30° of knee flexion



#### PIVOT SHIFT TEST

Purpose: Assess A/L instability

Position: Supine

Technique: Knee is taken from full extension to flexion with a valgus stress Interpretation: + test = sudden reduction of the anteriorly subluxed lateral tibial plateau

#### STUTTER TEST

Purpose: Assess for medial plica irritation Position: Sitting with knee flexed over

the edge of the table

Technique: Slowly extend knee with a finger placed lightly in contact with the center of the patella

Interpretation: + test = patella stutters as knee moves into extension



#### PATELLAR BOWSTRING TEST

Purpose: Assess medial plica

Position: Supine

Technique: Medially displace patella while flexing/extending knee with

tibia IR

Interpretation: + test = palpable clunk

#### WILSON'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for osteochondritis of medial femoral condyle

Position: Supine with knee flexed to 90°

Technique: Extend the knee with IR of the tibia

Interpretation: + test = pain at 30° of flexion in IR that  $\downarrow$  if the tibia is ER;

should r/o meniscal px

# **Differential Diagnosis**

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Baker's Cyst—defect in the posterior capsule that is influenced by chronic irritation	<ul> <li>Golf ball-size swelling at semi-membranosus tendon or medial gastroc muscle belly; best palpated in full knee extension</li> <li>Stiff &amp; tender with limited knee ROM</li> <li>MRI may be helpful; need to r/o DVT &amp; tumor</li> </ul>
Shin Splints/Anterior—an overuse syndrome of tibialis anterior, extensor hallicus longus, & extensor digitorum longus attributed to running on unconditioned legs, soft tissue imbalance, alignment abnormalities, & excessive pronation to accommodate rearfoot varus	Pain & tenderness over anterior tibialis Pain with resisted dorsiflexion & inversion Pain with stretching into plantarflexion & eversion Callus formation under 2nd metatarsal head & medial side of distal hallux Tight gastroc/soleus Soreness with heel walking (-) X-ray, needed to r/o stress fx
Shin Splints/Posterior—an overuse syndrome of flexor hallucis longus & flexor digitorum longus; rapid & excessive pronation to compensate for rearfoot varus; result is 1 stress on tibialis posterior to decelerate pronation	Callus formation under 2nd> 3rd> 4th MT head & medial side of distal hallux Pain & soreness over distal 1/3–2/3 of posterior/medial shin & posterior medial malleolus Hypermobile 1st MTP Pain with resisted inversion & plantarflexion Pain with stretching into dorsiflexion & eversion  (-) X-ray, needed to r/o stress fx

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Compartment Syndrome—a progression of shin splints resulting in a loss of microcirculation in shin muscle; ♂ > ♀, R > L  Beware: This is an emergency situation	<ul> <li>↑ Soft tissue pressures via fluid accumulation</li> <li>Ischemia of extensor hallicus longus</li> <li>Skin feels warm &amp; firm</li> <li>Pain with stretch or AROM; foot drop</li> <li>Most reliable sign is sensory deficit of the dorsum of foot in 1st interdigital cleft</li> <li>Pulses are normal until the end &amp; then surgery within 4–6 hours is required to prevent muscle necrosis &amp; nerve damage</li> <li>Confirmed with MRI &amp; pressure assessment</li> </ul>
Bursitis—mechanical irritation ■ prepatella = common in sport = falling on knee or maintaining quadruped position (housemaids knee) ■ infrapatella = clergyman bursitis = kneeling (mechanical irritation) ■ pes anserine = prevalent in long-distance running or middle-aged females with OA of the knee	Localized radiating heat Localized egg-shaped swelling Radiating pain 2–4 cm below the involved bursa Crepitus Discomfort with A & PROM Diagnosis confirmed with MRI
Popliteus Tendonitis—results from overuse, downhill running, activi- ties with sudden stops	Posterior lateral knee pain at the end of a workout or running downhill (just posterior to LCL) Crepitus over tendon Discomfort sitting with legs crossed & initiating flexion against resistance from full extension MRI may be helpful; need to r/o ITB, biceps tendonitis

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Jumper's Knee = patella tendonitis (most common in skeletally imma- ture) 2° traction overuse injury such as jumping, kicking, running or degenerative process 2° microtrauma	■ TTP at patella tendon insertion & pain with resisted knee extension ■ Localized crepitus & swelling ■ ↑ Q-angle ■ Need to r/o Osgood-Schlatter's, SLJ, & bursitis ■ Confirmed with MRI
ITB Friction Syndrome—repetitive stress & excessive friction 2° tight ITB, pronation with IR of tibia, genu varum, cycling with cleat in IR	<ul> <li>Pain with downhill running</li> <li>Pain @ 30° of knee flexion in WB results in ambulating stiff legged to avoid flexion</li> <li>TTP over lateral femoral condyle</li> <li>(+) Tests: Ober's, Noble's, &amp; Renne's</li> <li>(-) X-ray</li> <li>Need to r/o trochanteric bursitis</li> </ul>
Proximal px = hip syndrome Distal px = runner's knee	& osteochondritis  MRI & US may confirm diagnosis
Plica Syndrome—injury results from direct trauma or a significant ↑ in unaccustomed activity (presence of medial plica is more common than a lateral plica)	<ul> <li>Pain over medial femoral condyle; palpable cords along medial condyle, pain at superomedial joint line</li> <li>Reports of clicking/snapping, locking, "giving way"</li> <li>Full ROM but pain at end range flexion</li> <li>False (+) McMurray (pseudolocking)</li> <li>(+) Tests: Stutter, plica, theatre sign &amp; bowstring</li> <li>Need to r/o patellofemoral tracking px</li> <li>X-ray is not helpful, MRI is only noninvasive procedure that shows plica</li> <li>Arthroscope may reveal an avascular fibrotic edge of the plica</li> </ul>

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Chondromalacia (patellofemoral syndrome-PFS)—softening of the patella articular cartilage 2° poor biomechanical alignment/tracking &/or weak hip ER	■ Anterior knee pain; pain with stairs; crepitus ■ VMO atrophy; weak hip ER ■ ↑ Knee valgus, ↑ Q-angle ■ (+) Tests: Theater, Clarke's, & Fairbank's/apprehension ■ Confirmed via MRI
Patella Subluxation—predisposing factors include excessive tibial ER, pronation, patella alta, tight lateral retinaculum, weak hip ER, small medial patella facet; most common in adolescent girls with genu valgum (↑ Q-angle & femoral rotation)	■ Effusion shuts down VMO ■ (+) Tests: Patella tilt & patella apprehension ■ Tenderness along medial patella border ■ Sitting @ 90/90, patella points lateral & superior (grasshopper eyes) ■ Client c/o knee giving way or clicking when cutting away from affected leg ■ ↑ 0-angle ■ X-ray may reveal osteochondral fragments or fx; multiple views are needed to evaluate all articular surfaces
Patella Fracture—results from direct trauma	<ul> <li>Pain &amp; "dome" effusion; palpable defect</li> <li>Unable to extend knee</li> <li>Confirmed with x-ray</li> </ul>
LCL Sprain—injury results from varus stress resulting in over- stretching or tearing of the LCL	■ Warm & swollen lateral knee ■ TTP @ knee joint line (palpate in figure-4 position) ■ ROM may not be effected ■ (+) Varus stress test ■ Confirmed with MRI or arthrogram with contrast ■ (-) X-ray but needed to r/o avulsion or epiphyseal plate injury; Varus stress film may show ↑ joint gapping

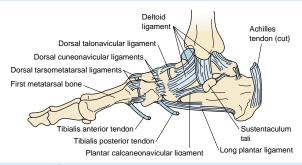
Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
MCL Sprain—injury results from valgus stress resulting in over-stretching or tearing of the MCL	■ Flexion limited to 90° & knee extension lag present ■ If deep fibers are torn, knee joint rapidly fills with blood ■ (+) Valgus stress test ■ TTP @ knee joint line (possible palpable defect) ■ Confirmed with MRI or arthrogram with contrast ■ (-) X-ray but needed to r/o avulsion or epiphyseal plate injury; valgus stress film may show ↑ joint gapping
ACL Sprain—injury results from twisting while changing directions, deceleration with valgus & ER, hyperflexion of the knee with foot in plantarflexion	<ul> <li>Audible pop with immediate swelling (&lt;2 hrs)</li> <li>Intense pain at posterior lateral tibia</li> <li>Unstable in WB</li> <li>(+) Tests: Anterior drawer, Lachman's, &amp; pivot shift</li> <li>KT1000/2000 anterior displacement &gt;5 mm</li> <li>(-) X-ray (except for avulsion); MRI is study of choice</li> <li>Bloody arthrocentesis</li> </ul>
PCL Sprain—injury results from dashboard blow to anterior shin with knee flexed @ 90° or falling on the knee with foot plantarflexed	Minimal swelling; ecchymosis may appear days later Tenderness in popliteal fossa & pain with kneeling Pt may be able to continue to play (+) Tests: Posterior drawer, posterior Lachman's, & SAG/dropback/Godfrey's (-) X-ray (except for avulsion); MRI is study of choice Bloody arthrocentesis

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Meniscus Tear—injured via rotatory forces while WB or hyperextension of knee; medial femoral/lateral tibial rotation injures medial meniscus & lateral femoral/medial tibial rotation injures lateral meniscus.  Common types of tears: Children = longitudinal & peripheral tear Teenagers = bucket handle tear	(-) Varus/valgus stress     Pain at end range flexion/extension & WB     Gradual swelling over 1-3 days; ecchymosis     Joint line tenderness     (+) Tests: McMurray's & Apley's (unreliable in children)     Anterior horn locks in extension, posterior in flexion, medial in 10°–30° of flexion, lateral >70° of flexion     X-ray may r/o fx, tumor, osseous loose bodies     MRI may reveal pseudotear; confirm with arthrogram using contrast
<b>DJD</b> —result of aging, poor biome- chanics or repetitive trauma	■ Joint line crepitus ■ ↓ Terminal knee extension 2° to edema (quad atrophy) ■ ↓ Stance time during gait ■ "Gelling" phenomenon = ↑ viscosity of synovial fluid 2° to inflammation ■ Anteriomedial knee pain & stiffness with immobility ■ X-ray will reveal narrow joint space, spurring, osteophytes
Osgood-Schlatter's Disease—tibial apophysitis that may occur from rapid\growth of femur resulting in avulsion of proximal tibial physis; may have a genetic predisposition; 8–15 yo, ♂ > ♀	<ul> <li>Intermittent aching pain at tibial tubercle &amp; distal patellar tendon</li> <li>Enlarged tibial tuberosity</li> <li>Tight quads &amp; hamstrings resulting in ↓ AROM</li> <li>Effusion results in knee extensor lag</li> <li>(+) Ely test</li> <li>(+) X-ray for avulsion of tibial tuberosity (lateral view)</li> <li>Need to r/o avascular necrosis</li> </ul>

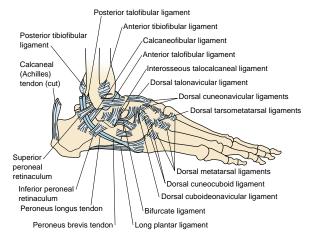
Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Sinding-Larsen Johansson (SLJ)— results from a traction force on the patella tendon 2° chronic extensor overload; 10–14 yo ♂	■ Anterior knee pain & TTP at distal pole of the patella with knee extension ■ Antalgic gait ■ ↓ Knee ROM ■ X-ray (lateral view)= fragmentation of inferior patella pole
Myositis Ossificans—calcification in a muscle due to trauma, painful hematoma develop rapidly & calcification occurs in 2-3 wks; ossification occurs in 4-8 wks; may be neurogenic after a SCI or TBI	■ Warm & TTP over involved site ■ ↓ ROM ■ Pain with contraction of involved muscle ■ Confirmed with x-ray after 2–3 weeks; earlier with MRI
Heterotropic Ossification— ossification between rather than within strained muscle fibers resulting from direct trauma	■ ↓ ROM ■ Weakness of involved muscle ■ TTP, swelling, & hyperemia ■ Confirmed with x-ray after 2–3 weeks; earlier with MRI
Osteochondritis Dissecans—lesions of subchondral bone of insidious onset; possible trauma vs preexisting abnormalities of epiphyses; most common in posterolateral medial femoral condyle; 10–18 yo; ♂ > ♀	Knee effusion     Crepitus with knee flexion/     extension & effusion     Poorly localized knee pain     Antalgic gait     (+) Wilson's test     May have TTP over medial femoral condyle with knee flexion     X-ray may not help; need MRI or bone scan

### **Ankle & Foot Anatomy**

#### Medial view of ankle ligaments



### Lateral view of ankle ligaments



### **Medical Red Flags**

- Paresthesia—stocking distribution, associated with:
  - DM
  - Lead/mercury poison
- Gout
  - Swelling & TTP @ 1st MTP or ankle
  - Pain with A & PROM of foot &/or ankle
- Hypersensitive to touch
- Lyme's Disease
  - "Bull's eye" rash (expanding red rings)
  - Flu-like symptoms
- Bilateral ankle edema with ↑ BP with hx of NSAIDS use may be the result of renal vasoconstriction

### **Complex Regional Pain Syndrome**

Stage 1	<ul> <li>■ Burning, aching, tenderness, joint stiffness</li> <li>■ Swelling, temperature changes</li> <li>■ ↑ nail growth &amp; ↑ hair on foot/feet</li> </ul>
Stage 2	<ul> <li>↑ Pain, swelling, joint stiffness</li> <li>Pain becomes less localized</li> <li>Change in skin color &amp; texture</li> </ul>
Stage 3	<ul> <li>■ Pain radiates all the way up the leg</li> <li>■ ↓ Nerve conduction velocity</li> <li>■ Muscle atrophy</li> </ul>

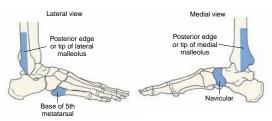
#### **Imaging**

#### Ottawa Ankle Rules

Radiographic series of the *ankle* is only required if one of the following are present:

- Bone tenderness at posterior edge of the distal 6 cm of the medial malleolus
- Bone tenderness at posterior edge of the distal 6 cm of the lateral malleolus
- Totally unable to bear weight both immediately after injury & (for 4 steps) in the emergency department

Statistics: Adults: Sensitivity = 95%-100% & specificity = 16% Children: Sensitivity = 83%-100% & specificity = 21%-50%



### **Ottawa Foot Rules**

Radiographic series of the *foot* is only required if one of the following are present:

- Bone tenderness is at navicular
- Bone tenderness at the base of 5th MT
- Totally unable to bear weight *both* immediately after injury & (for 4 steps) in the emergency department

Statistics: Adults: Sensitivity = 93-100% & specificity = 12-21% Children: Sensitivity = 100% & specificity = 36%

### **Toolbox Tests**

# A Performance Test Protocol and Scoring Scale for the Evaluation of Ankle Injuries

Evalu	iation or	Ankle injuries	
Subjective Assessmen Injured Ankle	t of the	Can You Walk Normally	γ?
No symptoms	15	Yes	15
Mild symptoms	10		
Moderate symptoms	5	No	0
Severe symptoms	0		
Can You Run Norma	ally?	Climb Down Stairs? (2 flights ~ 44 steps)	
Yes	15	Under 18 seconds	10
No	0	18–20 seconds	5
		>20 seconds	0
Rising on Heels with Inj	ured Leg	Rising on Toes with Injure	d Leg
>40 seconds	10	>40 seconds	10
30–39 seconds	5	30–39 seconds	5
<30 seconds	0	<30 seconds	0
Single-limbed Stance Injured Leg	with	Laxity of Ankle Joints	;
>55 seconds	10	Stable (5 mm)	10
50-54 seconds	5	Moderate laxity (6–10 mm)	5
<50 seconds	0	Severe laxity (>10 mm)	0
Injured Leg Dorsiflexio	n ROM	TOTAL SCORE:	
≥10°	10		
5–9°	5		
<5°	0		
Scoring: Summate all sco		nir = 55–65: Poor <50	

Excellent = 85–100; Good = 70–80; Fair = 55–65; Poor ≤50

Source: From American Journal of Sports Medicine, 22(4):462-9, 1994 Jul-Aug.

	Mark the horizontal lines below to address each task.	
	How severe is your foot pain?	Worse pain
	No pain	imaginable
	At its worst	
	In the morning	
	Walking barefoot	
	Standing barefoot	
	Walking with shoes	
	Standing with shoes	
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	End of the day	
	How much difficulty do you have:  No difficulty	So difficult unable to
	Walking in house	
	Walking outside	
	Walking 4 blocks	
	Climbing stairs	

Foot Function Index—cont'd	
How much difficulty do you have:  No difficulty  un	So difficult unable to
Descending stairs	
Standing tip toe	
Getting out of a chair	
Climbing curbs	
Walking fast	
Because of your feet, how much of the time do you:  None	≧
Stay inside all day	
Stay in bed all day	
Limit activities	
Use assistive device indoors	
Use assistive device outdoors	
Total Score:	
Scoring: Summate all scores, exclude items that are not applicable & multiple by 100.	
The higher the number is, the greater the impairment.	

Source: From Journal of Clinical Epidemiology, 44(6):561-570, 1991.

### **Referral Patterns**

### **Muscle Pain Referral Patterns**

Peroneus longus & brevis Peroneus (Fibularis) tertius





Tibialis anterior





Flexor hallucis longus



Flexor digitorum longus









### Visual Inspection

- Hammer toe = hyperextension of MTP & DIP with PIP flexion of toes 2, 3, 4, 5; associated with hallux valgus; pain is worse with shoes on; corns present
- Hallux valgus = 1st MTP >20° valgus angle; 1st & 2nd toe overlap
- Index plus foot = 1st MT > 2nd > 3 > 4 > 5
- Index plus-minus foot = 1st MT = 2nd MT > 3 > 4 > 5
- Index minus foot = 1st MT < 2nd > 3 > 4 > 5
- Subtalar neutral = in the prone position with the forefoot passively dorsiflexed & pronated, it is the position in which the head of the talus is felt to be equally spaced from the navicular

### **Palpation Pearls**

- Dorsalis pedis artery = on top of foot between 1st & 2nd metatarsals
- Sustentaculum tali = small ledge just distal to medial malleolus
- Peroneal tubercle = small prominence ~1" distal to lateral malleolus
- Plantaris = with knee flexed, palpate medial to posterior aspect of the fibula head, roll over lateral gastroc head and move slightly proximal; palpate for a 1"-wide muscle that runs on an angle from proximal/lateral to distal/medial
- Tibialis anterior = follow down the lateral tibial shaft to the medial aspect of the medial cuneiform
- Extensor digitorum longus = while extending the toes, follow the 4 prominent tendons proximal to the ankle—the tendons dive under the extensor retinaculum and emerge proximally as a thicker mass—follow the muscle belly along the tibia between the tibialis anterior and the peroneals (fibularis)

#### Superior view



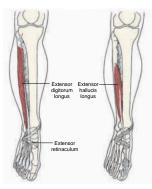
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#### Inferior view



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Plantaris







#### Lateral ankle structures



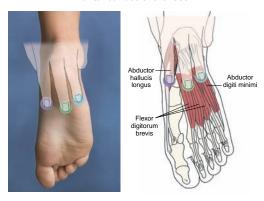


#### Medial ankle structures





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Plantar surface of the foot



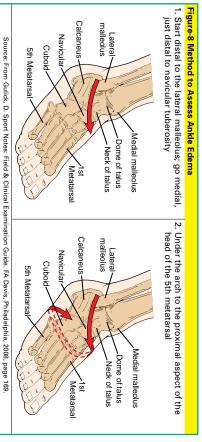
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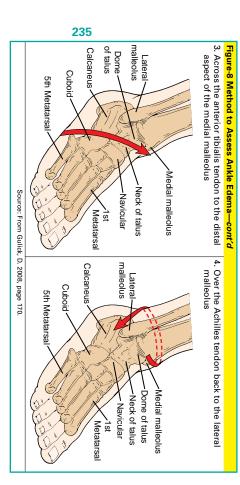


In NWB, a line is constructed to connect the apex of the medial malleolus to the head of the 1st MTP joint. The navicular bone should be in line with these 2 structures. In the standing (WB) position, the navicular should not drop more than 2/3 the distance to the floor.



Girth Assessment





### Osteokinematics of the Ankle & Foot

Norma	ROM	ОРР	СРР	Normal End-feel(s)	Abnormal End-feel(s)
Dorsifle Inversion	flexion 30°–50° exion 20° on 10°–30° on 10°–20°	10° PF	Maximal DF	Elastic (tissue stretch) for all planes	Empty = sprain/ strain
1st MTP	Extension 35°	5°-10° extension	Maximal extension	Capsular	Capsular = extension limited
2-5 MTP	Flexion 75°	Slight flexion	Maximal extension	Flex/extension = capsular/elastic Abd/adduction = ligamentous	Capsular = flexion limited

### **Arthrokinematics for Ankle & Foot Mobilization**

Ankle flexion & extension	Concave surface: Distal tibia/fibula Convex surface: Talus	To facilitate ankle dorsiflexion: OKC—talus rolls anterior & glides posterior on tibia CKC—tibia rolls & glides anterior	To facilitate ankle plantarflexion: OKC—talus rolls posterior & glides anterior on tibia CKC—tibia rolls & glides posterior
Ankle inversion & eversion	Concave surface: Anterior cal- caneal facet & posterior talus Convex surface: Posterior calcaneal facet & anterior talus	OKC—anterior cal- caneal facet rolls & glides medial while posterior calcaneal facet rolls & glides	To facilitate eversion: OKC—anterior calcaneal facet rolls & glides lateral while posterior calcaneal facet rolls & glides medial CKC—talus rolls lateral & glides medial on anterior calcaneal facet while talus rolls & glides lateral on posterior calcaneal facet
MTP flexion & extension	Concave surface: Phalanx Convex surface: Metatarsal	To facilitate flexion: Phalanx rolls & glides distal/inferior on metatarsal	To facilitate extension: Phalanx rolls & glides proximal/superior on metatarsal

### **Special Tests**

#### ANTERIOR DRAWER

Purpose: Assess for ATF laxity

Position: NWB position in ~ 20° of plantarflexion, stabilize the distal tibia/fibula
Technique: Grasp the posterior aspect of the calcaneus/talus & translate the calcaneus/talus anterior on the tibia/fibula

Interpretation: + test = pain & excessive

movement 2° to instability



#### TALAR TILT

Purpose: Test for laxity of lateral ankle

ligaments—ATF, CF, PTF

Position: NWB—stabilize the lower leg &

palpate respective ligament

Technique: Grasp calcaneus to apply a varus stress to displace the talus from the mortise. Should be performed in plantarflexion (ATF), neutral (CF), &

dorsiflexion (PTF)



Interpretation: + test = pain or excessive gapping with respect to the contralateral limb

#### SQUEEZE TEST

Purpose: Assess for syndesmotic sprain

Position: Supine with knee extended

Technique: Begin at the proximal tibia/fibula & firmly compress (squeeze) the tibia/fibula together, progress distally toward the ankle until pain is elicited

Interpretation: + test = pain at the syndesmosis; the farther from the ankle the pain is elicited, the more

severe the sprain

Note: Recovery time =  $5 + (0.97 \times cm \text{ from ankle})$ 

joint that squeeze test is positive)  $\pm$  3 days



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# ER STRESS TEST (rotate from heel) KLEIGER'S TEST (rotate from forefoot)

Purpose: Assess for deltoid or syndesmotic sprain Position: Sitting with lower leg stabilized but

syndesmosis not compressed

Technique: Grasp the heel or medial aspect of the foot & ER in plantarflexion (deltoid lig) & then repeat with ER in dorsiflexion (syndesmosis) Interpretation: + test = pain or gapping as compared to contralateral limb



#### WINDLASS TEST

Purpose: Assess for plantar fasciitis
Position 1: NWB with knee flexed to 90°

Technique 1: Stabilize the ankle in neutral & dor-

siflex the great toe

Interpretation 1: + test = pain along the medial longitudinal arch



#### Position 2: WB

Technique 2: Standing on a stool with equal weight on both foot & toes hanging over the edge of the stool & dorsiflex the great toe

Interpretation 2: + test = pain along the medial longitudinal arch



#### PERONEAL TENDON DISLOCATION

Purpose: Assess for damage to peroneal retinaculum

Position: Prone, knee flexed to 90°

Technique: Have the client actively plantarflex & dorsiflex the ankle

against resistance

Interpretation: + test = tendon subluxing from behind the lateral malleolus

#### THOMPSON'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for Achilles tendon rupture

**Position: Prone** 

Technique: Passively flex the knee to 90° & squeeze

the middle 1/3 of the calf

Interpretation: Plantarflexion of the foot should

occur; + test = failure to plantarflex



#### HOMAN'S SIGN

Purpose: Assess for thrombophlebitis of

the lower leg Position: Supine

Technique: Passively dorsiflex the foot

& squeeze the calf

Interpretation: + test = sudden pain in

the posterior leg or calf



#### MORTON'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for neuroma

**Position: NWB** 

Technique: Grasp around the transverse metatarsal arch & squeeze the heads of the metatarsals together Interpretation: + test = pain between 2nd/3rd or

3rd/4th digits that refers to the toes



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#### BUMP TEST

Purpose: Test for stress fx Position: NWB—ankle in neutral

Technique: Apply a firm force with the thenar eminence to the heel of the foot Interpretation: + test = pain at the site of

the possible fx



Purpose: Assess for metatarsal fracture

Position: NWB

Technique: Grasp the distal aspect of the metatarsal bone & apply a longitudinal

force to load the metatarsal

Interpretation: + test = localized pain as the metatarsal joints are compressed





#### TINEL'S TEST

Purpose: Assess for tibial nerve damage

Position: NWB

Technique: Tap over posterior tibial nn (medial plantar nerve), just inferior & posterior to medial malleolus

Interpretation: + test = paresthesia into the foot



# **Differential Diagnosis**

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Turf Toe—extreme hyperextension of great toe in CKC position resulting in sprain of plantar capsule & LCL of 1st MTP	Pain with toe extension Impairment of push-off, antalgic gait Ecchymosis & swelling of 1st MTP joint (-) X-ray Need to r/o sesamoid & metatarsal head fx
Hallux Valgus (Bunion)—RA, poor fitting footwear, flat feet	■ Pain, swelling, great toe valgus >15° ■ ↓ ROM of great toe & hammer 2nd toe ■ X-ray helpful ■ Need to r/o RA
Sesamoiditis—repetitive high impact sports or direct trauma	<ul> <li>Impairment of push-off, antalgic gait, swollen 1st MTP</li> <li>TTP, pain with passive dorsiflexion of MTP</li> <li>(+) X-ray &amp; MRI</li> <li>Need to r/o turf toe &amp; bipartite sesamoid</li> </ul>
Stress Fracture—repetitive stresses occurs ~3 wks after ↑ training; (2nd MT is most common)  Beware of eating disorders with repetitive stress fx	■ Deep nagging & localized pain; night pain ■ ROM WNL ■ (+) Tests: Metatarsal load & bump ■ Bone scan & MRI will detect earlier than x-ray ■ Therapeutic US in continuous mode will ↑ pain & may aid in dx ■ Need to r/o DVT
Hallux Rigidus—may be associated with osteochondritis (child) or DJD, gout, or RA (adult)	■ ↓ Dorsiflexion of 1st MTP joint ■ Pain & swelling on dorsal aspect of 1st MTP ■ Difficulty walking up stairs & uphill ■ ER of foot to clear LE during gait ■ X-ray will confirm dorsal osteo- phyte & ↓ joint space

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Charcot Foot—hypertrophic osteoarthropathy of midfoot in client's with IDDM	<ul> <li>Progressive bone &amp; muscle weakness</li> <li>J Sensation but minimal to no pain</li> <li>Profound unilateral swelling</li> <li>↑ Skin temp (local); erythema</li> <li>X-ray looks like osteomyelitis (bone fragments present)</li> </ul>	
Morton's Neuroma—thickening of interdigital nn (25–50 yo; ♀ > ♂) 2° high heel shoes, excessive pronation, high arch, lateral compression of forefoot, ↑ wt	■ Throbbing/burning into plantar aspect of 3rd & 4th MT heads; feels like a pebble is in the shoe ■ Callus under involved rays ■ ↑ Pain with WB, (+) Morton's test ■ Weak intrinsic muscles ■ EMG = unreliable ■ Need to r/o stress fx (MRI with contrast)	
Plantarfascitis—continuous with gastroc mm; subject to inflammation 2° repetitive stress, poorly cushioned footwear, hard surfaces, ↑ pronation, obesity	<ul> <li>■ Morning pain that ↓ with activity, nodules are palpable over proximal-medial border of plantar fascia</li> <li>■ Pain with dorsiflexion &amp; toe extension</li> <li>■ Dorsiflexion due to tight gastroc</li> <li>■ Weak foot intrinsics</li> <li>■ Sensation &amp; reflexes WNL</li> <li>(-) EMG; x-ray may show calcaneal spur but there is no correlation between a bone spur &amp; pain of plantarfascitis</li> </ul>	
Tarsal Tunnel—compression of contents of tarsal tunnel (posterior tibial nerve & artery, tibialis posterior, FDL, FHL) may be 2° trauma, weight gain, excessive pronation, or inflammation	■ Sharp pain into medial/plantar aspect of foot & 1st MTP ■ Burning, nocturnal pain, swelling ■ ↑ Pain with walking & passive d-flexion or eversion ■ Motor weakness & intrinsic atrophy is difficult to detect ■ DTRs & ROM = WNL ■ (+) Tinel's sign just below & behind the medial malleolus ■ Abnormal EMG; r/o diabetic neuropathy & neuroma	

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Peroneal Tendonitis—structurally 3 anatomic sites where tendon passes through tunnel/passage with acute angulation that can result in irritation & ↓ vascularization 2° trauma, inversion sprains, or direct blow	Subluxing tendon = snapping while everting in dorsiflexion; subluxation is more common in young athletes 2° to forceful dorsiflexion of inverted foot with peroneals contracting Swelling & ecchymosis inferior to lateral malleolus X-ray may show avulsion of peroneal retinaculum
Common Peroneal Nerve Palsy sitting with legs crossed, compression during sx, presence of a fabella (20% of population), tight ski boots or hockey skates, tx of nerve during strong inversion & plantarflexion contraction	■ Compromised ankle stability can ↑ risk of sprains ■ Local pain & ecchymosis at the site of external trauma ■ Foot drop, ↓ eversion & dorsiflexion ■ Partial sensory loss ■ Test = pain with walking on medial borders of foot ■ MRI, EMG/NCV may be helpful
Sever's Syndrome (Achilles Apophysitis)—occurs in 8–16 yo ♂>♀ 2° rapid growth with stress on epiphysis with jumping or athletic events; may occur (B)	<ul> <li>■ Heel pain, TTP with mediolateral compression of calcaneus</li> <li>■ Dorsiflexion due to pain; pain with stairs</li> <li>■ Radiographs may not be helpful</li> <li>■ Responds well to heel lift (healing takes months)</li> </ul>
Achilles Tendonitis—vascular watershed is 4.5 cm above tendon insertion & vulnerable to ischemia 2° running hills (up = stretch & down = eccentric stress), poor footwear, excess pronation (↑ rotational forces); occurs mostly in 30–50 yo	■ Localized tenderness 2–6 cm proximal to Achilles insertion ■ Early morning stiffness, antalgic gait; pain climbing stairs ■ Tendon thickening & crepitus with AROM (wet leather) ■ Palpable Achilles nodule (retrocalcaneal exostosis = pump bump) ■ ↓ Ankle dorsiflexion with knee extended ■ MRI to r/o tendon defect & DVT

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Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Achilles Tendon Rupture—<30 yo, injury is 2° direct blow to gastroc or forceful contraction; >30 yo, injury is 2° degeneration (higher incidence in people with type "O" blood)	<ul> <li>Snap/pop associated with injury</li> <li>Palpable gap in tendon (hatchet sign) if examined early</li> <li>Cannot walk on toes, swelling (within 1-2 hrs) &amp; ecchymosis</li> <li>(+) Thompson's test</li> <li>MRI confirms diagnosis</li> </ul>	
Posterior Tibialis Tendonitis— inflammatory condition due to poor biomechanics or overuse; common in ♀ >40 yo	<ul> <li>TTP @ medial ankle</li> <li>Crepitus with AROM</li> <li>Pain with passive pronation &amp; active supination</li> <li>Pain with resistive inversion &amp; plantarflexion</li> </ul>	
Shin Splints/Anterior—an overuse syndrome of tibialis anterior, ext hallicus longus, & ext digitorum longus attributed to running on unconditioned legs, soft tissue imbalance, alignment abnormalities, & excessive pronation to accommodate rearfoot varus	Pain & tenderness over anterior tibialis Pain with resisted dorsiflexion & inversion Pain with stretching into plantarflexion & eversion Callus formation under 2nd metatarsal head & medial side of distal hallux Tight gastroc/soleus muscle Soreness with heel walking (-) X-ray, needed to r/o stress fx	
Shin Splints/Posterior—an overuse syndrome of flexor hallucis longus & flexor digitorum longus	Callus formation under 2nd > 3rd > 4th MT head & medial side of distal hallux     Pain & soreness over distal 1/3–2/3 of posterior/medial shin & posterior medial malleolus     Hypermobile 1st metatarsal     Rapid & excessive pronation to compensate for rearfoot varus; result is ↑ stress on tibialis posterior to decelerate foot     Pain with resisted inversion & plantarflexion     Pain with stretching into dorsiflexion & eversion     (–) X-ray, needed to r/o stress fx	

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms
Compartment Syndrome—a progression of shin splints resulting in a loss of microcirculation in shin muscle; ♂ > ♀, R > L  Beware: Immediate referral is needed (Ice but do not compress)	■ 5 P's = paresthesia (toes), paresis (drop foot), pain (anterior tibia), pallor, pulseless ■ Skin feels warm & firm ■ Pain with stretch or AROM, foot drop ■ Severe cramping, diffuse pain & tightness ■ Most reliable sign is sensory deficit at the dorsum of foot in 1st interdigital cleft ■ Ischemia of extensor hallicus longus ■ Pulses are normal until the end & then surgery is needed within 4-6 hours is required to prevent muscle necrosis & nerve damage ■ ↑ Soft tissue pressures via fluid accumulation ■ Normal compartment pressure <10 mm Hg ■ > 20 mm Hg is compromised capillary blood flow ■ > 30 mm Hg results in ischemic necrosis ■ (-) X-ray & bone scan; need to r/o tibial stress fx ■ Confirmed with MRI & pressure assessment
Complex Regional Pain Syndrome—etiology unknown, may occur after trauma See stages on page 222.	<ul> <li>Hyperalgesia &amp; hyperhidrosis</li> <li>Capsular tightness &amp; stiffness</li> <li>Muscle atrophy &amp; osteoporosis</li> <li>Trophic changes &amp; edema</li> <li>Vasomotor instability</li> </ul>

Pathology/Mechanism	Signs/Symptoms	
Syndesmotic Sprain—injury to anterior and/or posterior inferior tibiofibular ligament 2° hyperdorsi- flexion & eversion See stages below	(+) Tests: Squeeze & ER test     Pain & swelling over ligament/ interosseous membrane     Oblique x-ray may show abnormal widening of joint space     Recovery time = 5 + (0.97 x cm from ankle joint that squeeze test is positive) ± 3 days     Need to r/o fx & avulsion	
Lateral Sprain—injury to ATF, CF, PTF 2° inversion with plantarflexion See stages below	<ul> <li>Rich blood supply = significant swelling within 2 hours</li> <li>TTP over involved ligaments, ecchymosis that drains distal</li> <li>Varying levels of instability (grade 1-3)</li> <li>(+) Tests: Talar tilt &amp; anterior drawer (presence of a dimple just inferior to the tip of the lateral malleolus)</li> <li>(-) X-ray for fracture but stress film may show ↑ joint space</li> <li>Arthrography is only accurate within 24 hours</li> </ul>	

## **Grades of Ankle Sprains**

1st degree	2nd degree	3rd degree
<ul> <li>No hemorrhage</li> <li>Minimal swelling</li> <li>Point tender</li> <li>No varus laxity</li> <li>(-)Anterior drawer</li> <li>(-) Talar tilt</li> <li>No/little limp</li> <li>Difficulty hopping</li> <li>Recovery 2-10 days</li> </ul>	■ Some hemorrhage ■ Localized swelling (↓ Achilles definition) ■ (+) Anterior drawer ■ (+) Talar tilt ■ No varus laxity ■ (+) Limp ■ Unable to heel raise, hop, run ■ Recovery 10–30 days	<ul> <li>Diffuse swelling (no Achilles definition)</li> <li>Tenderness medial &amp; lateral</li> <li>(+) Anterior drawer</li> <li>(+) Talar tilt</li> <li>(+) Varus laxity</li> <li>NWB</li> <li>Recovery 30–90 days</li> </ul>

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