

Shoulder disorders

❖ Rotator cuff muscles

1. Supraspinatus muscle: suprascapular nerve, arm abduction 0-15.
2. Infraspinatus muscle: suprascapular nerve, external rotation.
3. Subscapularis muscle: upper & lower suprascapular nerve, internal rotation & adduction.
4. Teres minor muscle: axillary nerve, external rotation.

❖ Shoulder joint ligaments

1. Coracohumeral ligament
 2. Transverse humeral ligament
 3. Superior, middle & inferior glenohumeral ligaments.
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❖ Shoulder dislocation

- Anterior dislocation (95%), posterior dislocation (5%) & inferior dislocation.
- Anterior dislocation: subcoracoid (anterior inferior, most common), subglenoid, supclavicular.
- The arm is adducted, elbow flexed, inability to externally rotate the shoulder joint.
- Positive Apprehension test.
- Axillary, radial, ulnar, median & musculocutaneous nerves must be examined.
- Compare radial pulses, ulnar pulse, capillary refill.
- X-ray before reduction must be done to r/o fractures.
- Management: analgesia > sedation > reduction > X-ray > immobilization > rehabilitation.
- Types of reduction:
 - o Traction-Counter traction method >> anterior dislocation.
 - o Closed reduction Traction counter traction >> posterior dislocation.
 - o Operative if the above fails, recurrence, +fracture or large defect (Reverse Hill Sachs).

- Early complications:

Anterior dislocation	Posterior dislocation
Rotator up cuff tear (old age)	Rotator cuff tear (old age)
GT fracture (middle age)	GT & LT fractures (middle age)
BankArt lesion (young age) >100% risk for recurrence	
Neurovascular lesion (like axillary nerve)	Neurovascular lesion (like axillary nerve)
Hill Sachs lesion	Reverse Hill Sachs

- **Late complications:** necrosis of the humeral head, recurrence, heterotopic calcification.



Anterior dislocation



Posterior dislocation
"Light bulb"



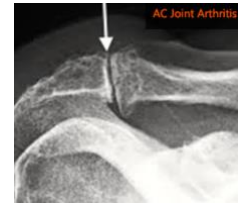
Hill-Sachs
"Depression fracture"



Bankart lesion
"Avulsion of anterior & inferior parts of the glenoid labrum"

❖ AC joint Osteoarthritis

- Degenerative progressive joint disease. Women > Men
- **The most common asymptomatic joint to be affected in OA.**
- Risk factors: old age, previous AC separation & repetitive overhead activities.
- Positive scarf test & crepitation.
- On X-ray: narrowed joint space, subchondral sclerosis, osteophytes, subchondral cysts.
- Management:
 - o Non-operative:
 - o Operative: arthroscopic or open distal clavicle resection (Mumford procedure).



❖ Glenohumeral Joint Osteoarthritis

- Degenerative progressive joint disease
- Risk factors: old age (>50), throwing athletes, RA, post-traumatic, family history.
- Pain, tenderness, crepitation, muscle weakness or atrophy, limited range of motion, flattening of the anterior shoulder contour.
- Management:
 - o No-operative: physiotherapy, activity modification, analgesics.
 - o Operative if : non-operative fails, progressive pain, decrease ROM, affecting daily activities.



❖ Frozen shoulder/adhesive capsulitis

- Shoulder capsule becomes inflamed, stiff & with abnormal bands of tissue, called adhesions..
- It is **IDIOPATHIC** pathology.
- RF: DM, thyroid disease, scleroderma, dupuytren, repetitive shoulder injuries.
- Pain is constant, increase at night & with cold weather & restricted shoulder movement.
- First movement to be lost is external rotation.
- Women > men. The recovery is very low.
- Management: conservative. For prevention keep the shoulder joint fully moving.

❖ **Impingement Syndrome**

- Compression of the rotator cuff against the anterior structure of coracoacromial arch, anterior 1/3 of the acromion, coraco-acromial ligament & AC joint.
 - The most common affected tendon is **supraspinatus** tendon.
 - Stages: (1) edema & hemorrhage (patient <25), (2) fibrosis and tendinitis (patient 25-40), (3) RC tear, biceps tendon rupture, bony changes (patient >40).
 - CF: pain exacerbate with overhead activity and at night, weakness with active abduction (60-120), limited internal rotation.
 - Positive impingement tests: Neer's test, Hawkins-Kennedy test.
 - Findings on X-ray: traction osteophytes, calcification of coracoacromial ligament, cystic changes in greater tuberosity, hooked acromion.
 - First line in management: conservative (activity modification, NSAID 2-3 weeks, physiotherapy, stretching and strengthening, manual therapy 6weeks).
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❖ **Calcific tenosynovitis**

- Rare inflammatory condition caused by calcium hydroxyapatite crystal deposition in the tendon sheath or synovial lining of a tendon.
 - Common site: shoulder (supraspinatus tendon most common).
 - Sudden onset of localized pain and swelling.
 - X-ray: shows calcific deposits near tendons
 - Septic arthritis is one of the differential diagnosis of it.
 - Treatment: conservative or corticosteroid injection.
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- ❖ Rotator cuff tear
Study it :)

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