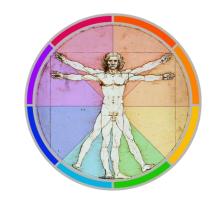
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Human Body Systems (HUBS) 191



The structure of the skeleton

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Objectives

By the end of this lecture you should be able to:

- describe the functions of the skeletal system
- describe the gross structure of bones and explain how they reflect their functions
- describe the different classes of bone in the human skeleton and explain how their shape relates to function
- Identify the major bones of the skeleton, and understand why/how some are sexually dimorphic

Functions of the skeleton

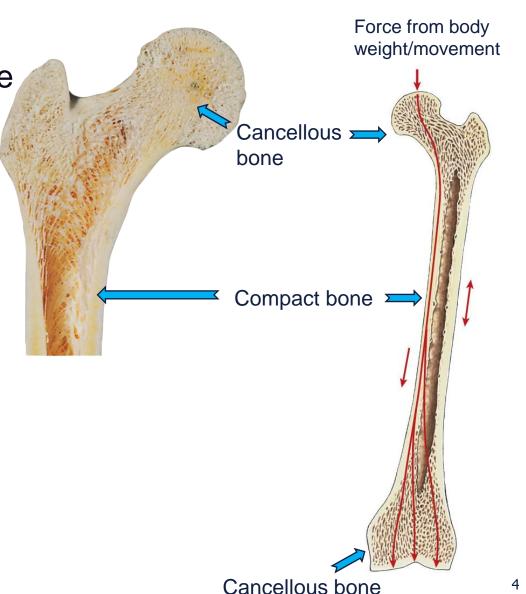
- Support
- Movement
 - Bones are levers!
- Protection
 - Major organs
- Storage
 - Minerals
- Red Blood Cell Formation
 - In marrow



The Structure of Bones

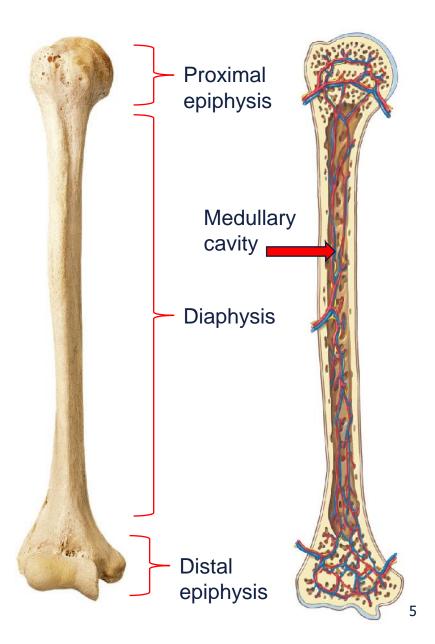
There are 2 types of bone tissue (same material, different structure):

- **Compact Bone**
 - Strong
 - Good at transmitting force in one direction
- Cancellous (aka trabecular) bone
 - Light, spongy bone
 - Shock-absorbing
 - Resists & channels forces that come from multiple directions



1. Long Bones

- Longer than they are wide
- Composed of wider epiphyses and a longer, narrower diaphysis
- Act as levers for movement
- Thicker compact bone in diaphysis
- Mostly limb bones



2. Short Bones

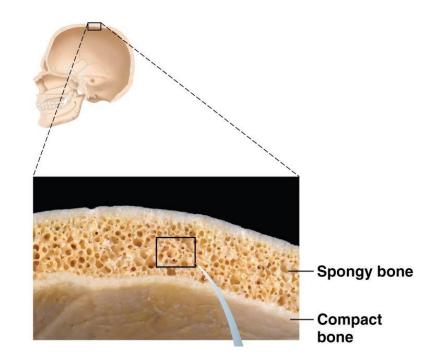
- Close to equal width and length
- Mostly cancellous bone
- Weight bearing (from multiple directions)
- E.g. Carpals and tarsals

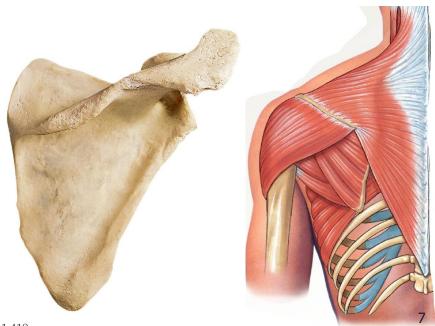




3. Flat bones

- Function usually for muscle attachment (e.g. scapula)
- Also protection (e.g. skull, sternum)
- Thin plates of compact bone (some cancellous too)





4. Irregular bones

- Doesn't seem to fit into any other category?
 - Probably an irregular bone!
- Various shapes and functions



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Not long
Not round/square shaped
Not just cancellous bone
Not flat
Often have foramina (holes)

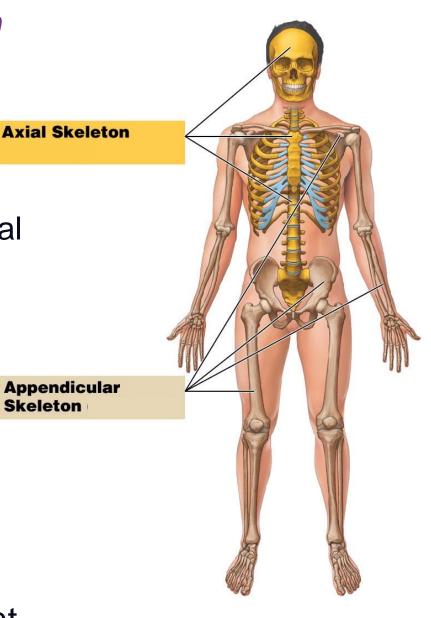
Divisions of the skeleton

Axial skeleton:

- Bones of the core
 - Skull, sternum, ribs, vertebral column, sacrum, coccyx.
- Protection of vital organs

<u>Appendicular skeleton:</u>

- Bones of the limbs
- Most important for movement



Skeleton

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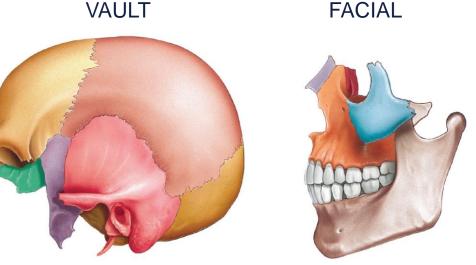
Axial skeleton

The Skull

- Cranium (vault)
 - Encloses the brain
 - Muscle attachments



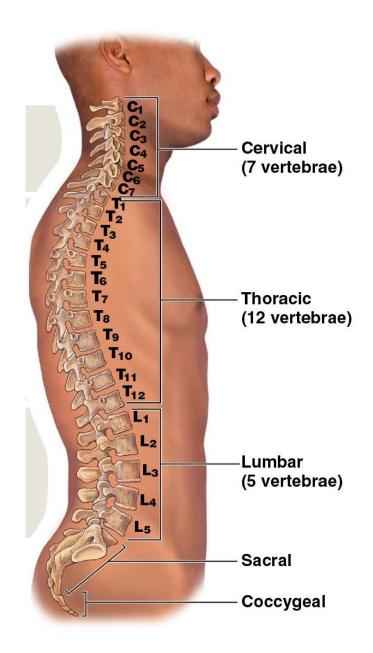
- Facial bones
 - Protect & support sensory organs
- Join at sutures (immovable)



Axial skeleton

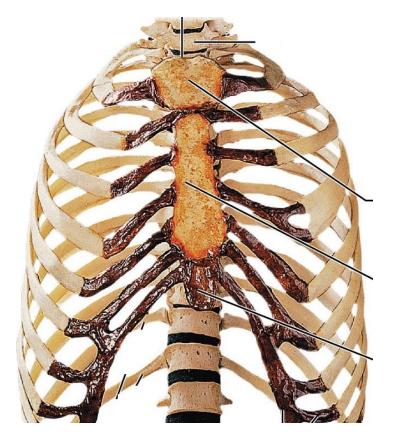
The Vertebral column

- Keeps the trunk upright
 - Lots of muscle/ligament attachments
- Supports head
- Divisions
 - Cervical (7)
 - Thoracic (12)
 - Lumbar (5)
 - Sacrum and coccyx



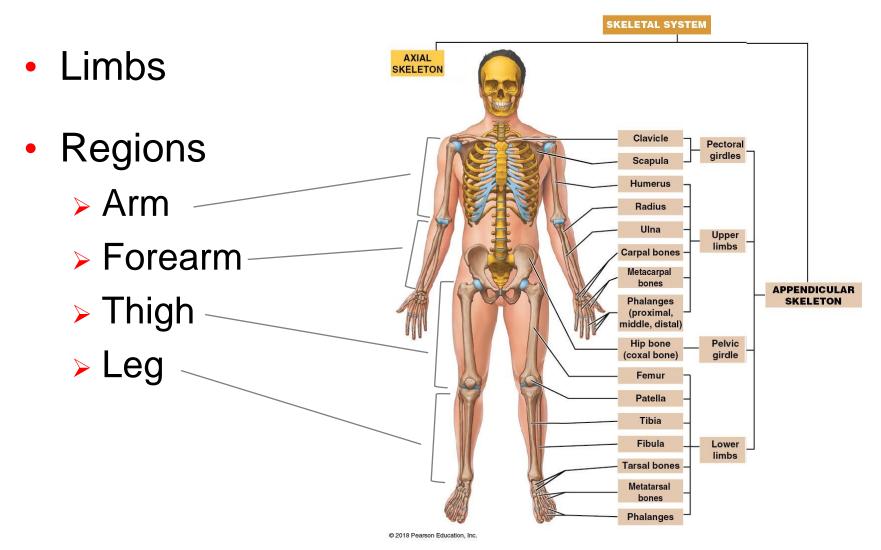
Axial skeleton

- Rib cage (thoracic cage)
 - > Ribs
 - > Sternum



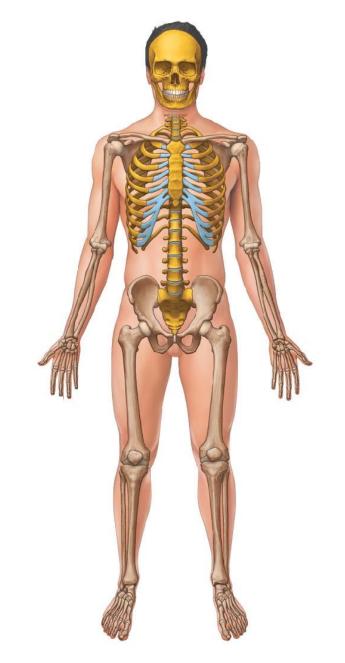


Appendicular skeleton



Limb structure

- Single proximal long bone
 - > Humerus/Femur
- Two distal long bones
 - Ulna and Radius/ Tibia and Fibula
 - Ulna and radius more mobile
- Hands and feet



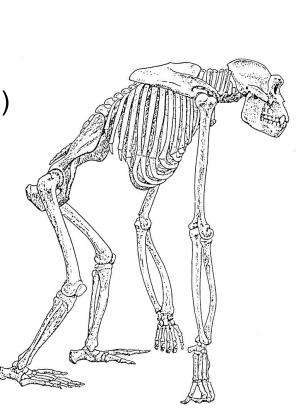
Why is the human skeleton this shape?

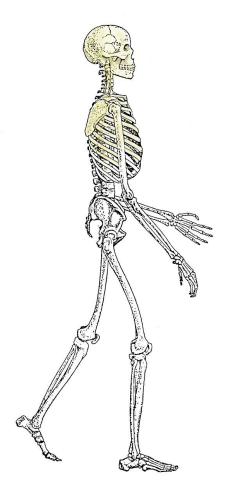
FORM related to FUNCTION

 We walk on 2 limbs (Bipedalism) vs. other apes on 4 limbs (Quadrapedalism)

Human lower limb needs
 STABILTY + MOVEMENT







Hands free!

 Not involved in locomotion

Lack of stability

 Adapted for manipulation of environment/precision



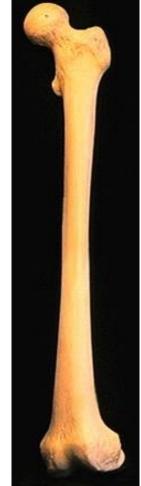


Humerus and femur

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- Humerus shorter, lighter
- Deeper articulation for prox. femur than prox. humerus
- Stability vs. movement







Mobile forearms and wrists...

- Pronation and supination of radius and ulna
- Shape of distal articulation for wrist mobility





Martini et al, Visual Anatomy & Physiology, 3rd Edn, 2018, p.288

...vs. stability of legs

- No pronation/supination.
- Ankle joint = stable.
- Tibia very robust (weightbearing)



Lateral

Medial

Hand

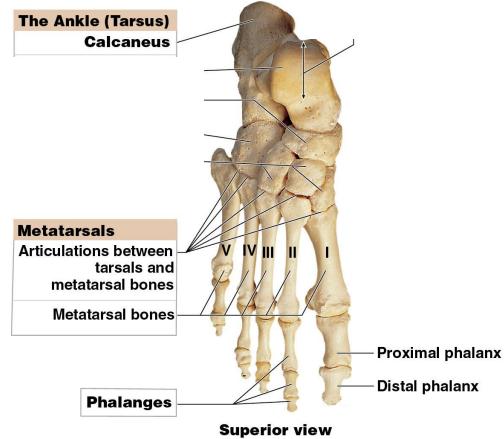
Carpals (8)

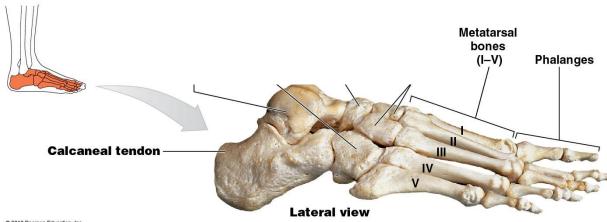
Metacarpals (5)

> Phalanges (14 - only 2 in the thumb)

Foot

- > Tarsals (7)
- Metatarsals (5)
- Phalanges (14)

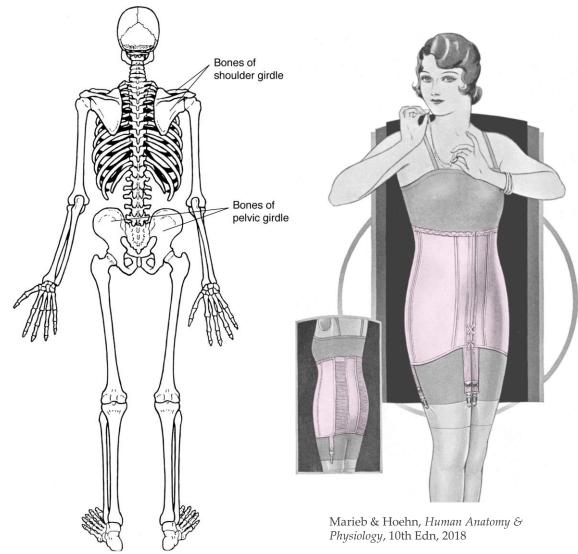




How do the limbs attach to the axial skeleton?

- Pectoral (shoulder) girdle
 - Clavicle
 - Scapula

- Pelvic girdle
 - Hip bones (2)
 - Sacrum (axial)



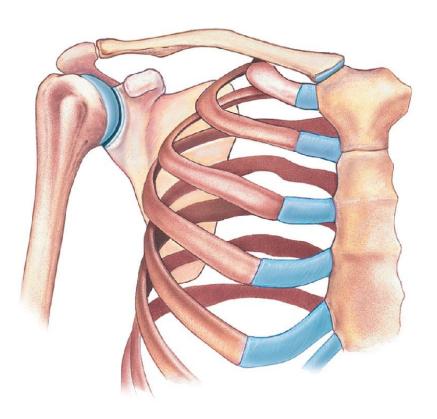
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The pectoral girdle

- Clavicle
 - Stabilising

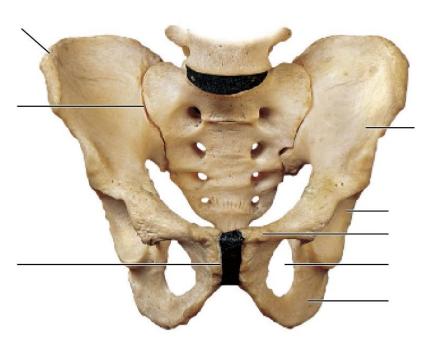
- Scapula
 - Free-moving, muscle attachments

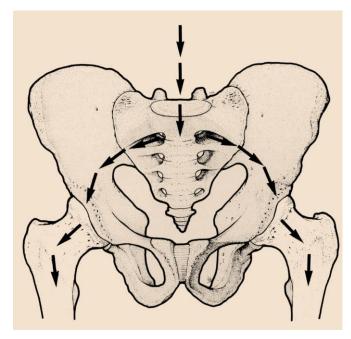


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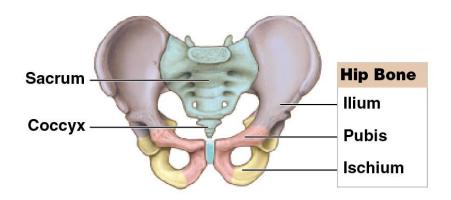
Pelvic girdle

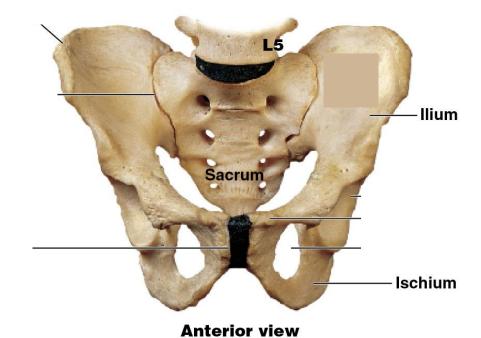
- Hip bones (x2)
 - Os coxae
- Sacrum
 - Part of the axial skeleton
- Pelvic bones + sacrumpelvis
- Lots of weight bearing





Close up on the pelvis

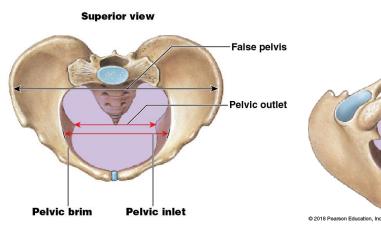


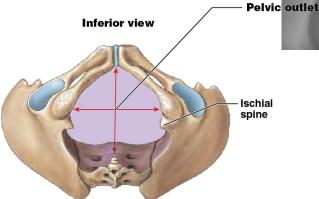


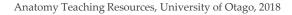
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Differences between biological male and female pelvic anatomy

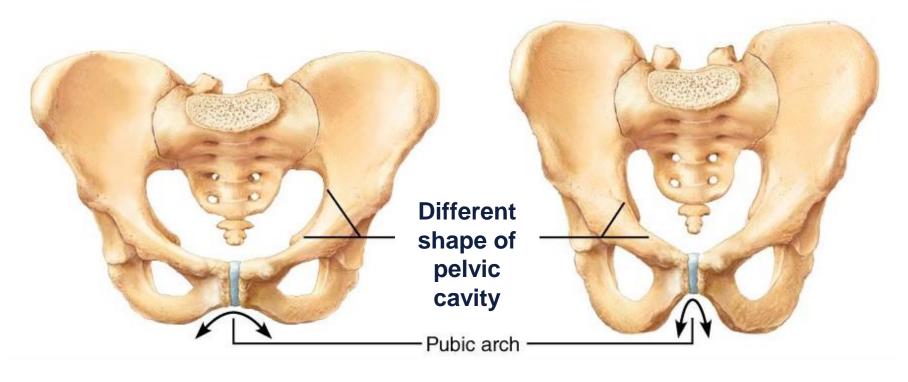
- WHY?
- Pelvic cavity of biological females more circular
- Pelvic outlet more open in biological females







Maximising space



Biological Female

Biological Male



Subpubic angle



I need to revise this stuff...

- Check your Textbook (Martini et al. Visual Anatomy) chapter 7
- Check out this video from 2:40 3:45 for a summary of the types of bones

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rDGqkM
HPDqE

Need some bones themed music for studying? Of course you do...

https://open.spotify.com/playlist/3SpOxM6kkQQ2o9aqPf5XBE?si=gw_7DoV6SK6eT5aadxlP9A

Test yourselves:

What class of bone is a rib?

- A. Long
- B. Short
- C. Flat
- D. Irregular



Why is cancellous bone good at shock absorbing?

- A. Because it has a structure that is all aligned in one direction
- B. Because it has a structure made of multi-directional struts
- C. Because it is very dense
- D. Because it contains lots of water



What is the pectoral girdle?

- A. The bones that connect the upper limb to the axial skeleton
- B. The bones that connect the lower limb to the axial skeleton
- C. The humerus, scapula and clavicle
- D. The femur and hip bones

Why do biologically male and female pelves have slightly different shapes?

- A. Biological males are stronger and bigger so their pelvis is always bigger
- B. Biological females do less physical activity
- C. The biologically male pelvis is adapted for muscle development.
- D. The biologically female pelvis is adapted for childbirth

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