



ANATOMY TEAM

Lecture (2)

Muscles Involved in Respiration

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OBJECTIVES

At the end of the lecture, students should:

- *Describe the components of the thoracic cage and their articulations.*
- *Describe in brief the respiratory movements.*
- *List the muscles involved in inspiration and in expiration.*
- *Describe the attachments of each muscle to the thoracic cage and its nerve supply.*
- *Describe the origin, insertion, nerve supply of diaphragm.*

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توجد إضافة لدى الأولاد وهي كالتالي :

DIAPHRAGM

- **Convex toward thoracic & concave toward abdominal cavity**
- **Attached to: sternum, costal cartilages, 12th rib & lumbar vertebrae**

SUMMARY OF RESPIRATORY MOVEMENTS

Inspiration

▪ Quiet Inspiration (active)

Contraction (Descent) of diaphragm



Increase in **vertical** diameter

Elevation of ribs (external intercostal)



Increase in:
- anteroposterior diameter
- **lateral** diameter

▪ Forced Inspiration (active)

Accessory muscles of inspiration:

1. Pectoralis major
2. Scalene muscles

Expiration

▪ Quiet Expiration (passive)

1. Elastic recoil of lung
2. Relaxation of diaphragm & external intercostal

▪ Forced Expiration (active):

Contraction of anterior abdominal wall muscles



Compression of abdominal viscera



Ascent of diaphragm

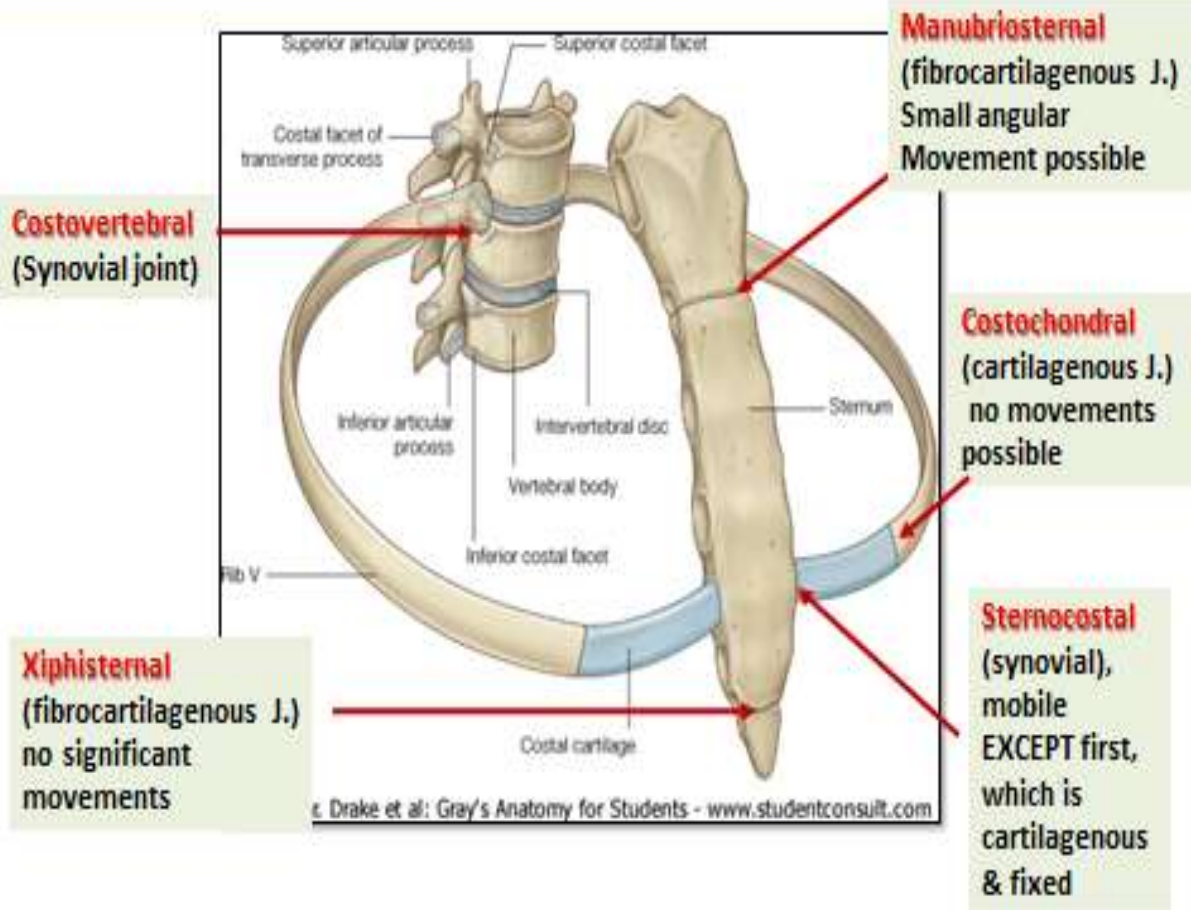
Depression of ribs (rest of intercostal muscles)

QUESTIONS

- **Are the following muscles have a respiratory role? If yes, what is it?**
 1. Levatores costarum.
 2. Serratus posterior superior.
 3. Serratus posterior inferior.
 4. Pectoralis minor.
 5. Serratus anterior.
 6. Latissimus dorsi.
 7. Quadratus lumborum.
- **Why diaphragm is supplied by cervical nerves?**
- **Why right crus of diaphragm is larger than left crus?**

عند البنات فقط :

Articulations



NOTES

Clinically, the superior opening of the thorax is called “Inlet” not the outlet because they follow the structure from the neck to the Thorax.

Angular movement allow the body of the sternum to move on the manubrium “*Inward and Outward*”

Each costal cartilage has 2 joints: one with the Sternum “**Sternocostal**” and the other with the Rib “**Costochondral**”

All the Sternocostal joints are **SYNOVIAL** so they are MOBILE Except the first rib which is Fixed and cartilaginous.

The 2 joints are helping in respiration: *Sternocostal and Manubriosternal*.

Diaphragm (most important muscle) in respiration

The normal Expiration needs no muscles

Thickening of the deep fascia is forming the lateral and medial arcuate ligaments.

Some fibers arising from the right and left sides of the lumbar vertebra to form gap for the **Aorta passage**

Right crus is longer than the left crus and it attach to (L_{1,2} and 3) while the left crus attach to (L₁ and L₂).

The aponeurosis of the 3 muscles on both sides fuse in the midline to form **linea alba** → يعنى الخط الأبيض

REVIEW QUESTIONS:

What form the thoracic cage?

Anteriorly → STERNUM + COSTAL CARTILAGES

Laterally → RIBS

Posteriorly → THORACIC VERTEBREA

What are the differences between the Superior and Inferior openings?

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| Superior | Narrow and opened contineusly with the neck |
| Inferior | Wider and closed by the diaphragm |

Articulations that happened at the Thorax

With the Sternum 3:

Manubriosternal
fibrocartilagenous
Small angular
Movement possible

Xiphisternal
fibrocartilagenous
no significant
movements

Sternocostal
(synovial), mobile
EXCEPT first,
which is
cartilagenous &
fixed

With the Vertebrae

Costovertebral
(**Synovial** joint)

With the Ribs

Costochondral
cartilagenous
No movements possible

Movements of Ribs:

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| <i>PUMP HANDLE MOVEMENT</i> | Increase in antero-posterior diameter of thoracic cavity |
| <i>BUCKET HANDLE MOVEMENT</i> | Increase in lateral diameter of thoracic cavity |

Normal Inspiratory Muscles are: the Diaphragm and External intercostal muscles

Some of accessory muscles (only used during forced inspiration):

1. Scalene muscles
2. Pectoralis major

Origin of the Diaphragm

1. **Sternal:** xiphoid process of sternum
2. **Costal:** lower 6 costal cartilages & 12th rib
3. From medial & lateral arcuate ligaments
4. **Vertebral:** as right crus from upper 3 lumbar vertebrae & left crus from upper 2 lumbar vertebrae

Insertion: Fibers converge to join the central tendon

Nerve supply:
phrenic nerve
(C_{3,4,5})

Action: contraction (descent) of diaphragm increases vertical diameter of thoracic cavity (essential for normal breathing)

| MUSCLES | Attachments: | Nerve supply: | Action: |
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| EXTERNAL INTERCOSTAL | from lower border of rib above to upper border of rib below Direction of fibers: downward & medially | intercostal nerves (T ₁ -T ₁₁) | rib elevators (inspiratory) |
| Scalene "Accessory" | From cervical (5,6,7) vertebrae To 1 st & 2 nd ribs 5 and 6 to first rib 7 to second rib | - | elevate 1st & 2nd ribs (inspiratory) |
| Pectoralis major "Accessory" | From sternum + costal cartilages To the humerus | - | increases antero-posterior diameter of thoracic cavity, when arm is fixed (inspiratory) |

Rib depressors:

- **Internal intercostal**
- **Innermost intercostal**
- **Subcostals**
- **Transversus thoracis**

Direction: upward & medially

Nerve supply: intercostal nerves (ventral rami of T₁-T₁₁)

Anterior abdominal wall muscles: “forced expiration”

- **External oblique:** downward and medially
- **Internal oblique:** upward and medially
- **Transversus abdominis:** transverse
- **Rectus abdominis:** vertical

Nerve supply: lower intercostal nerves (T₇ – T₁₁), subcostal nerve (T₁₂) and first lumbar nerve.

MCQs

1) The shape of the thoracic cage is:

- 1- Triangle
- 2- Pyramid
- 3- Conical

2) Theaperture is narrow but the..... is wide:

- 1- Superior, inferior
- 2- anterior, superior
- 3- inferior, anterior

3) Synovial joints of the thoracic cage:

- 1- costovertebral and manubriosternal
- 2- sternocostal and costochondral
- 3- sternocostal and costovertebral

4) The only Cartilaginous joint is:

- 1- costochondral
- 2- sternocostal
- 3- costovertebral

5) Contraction of the diaphragm will increase.....diameter during.....:

1-Transversal, inspiration

2-vertaical, inspiration

3-vertical, expiration

6) BUCKET HANDLE MOVEMENT will increase.....diameter:

1-Anteroposterior

2-lateral

3-posterior

7)All of these are origin for the diaphragm EXCEPT:

1-upper 6 costal cartilages

2-medial and lateral arcuate ligaments

3-right and left crus

8) Direction of fibers of the External intercostal muscles is:

- 1- Upward & medially
- 2- downward & medially
- 3- downward & laterally

9) Scalene muscles are... in number and inserted in.....ribs:

- 1- 3, 1st and 2nd
- 2- 2, 1st and 2nd
- 3- 3, 4th + 5th

10) Action of Pectoralis major is increases diameter of thoracic cavity

- 1- antero-medially
- 2- antero-laterally
- 3- antero-posterior

11) Neurovascular plane in thoracic cavity going between:

- 1- skin and fascia
- 2- External intercostal and internal intercostal
- 3- internal intercostal and innermost intercostal

12) Direction of fibers of the Internal intercostal muscles is:

- 1- Downward & laterally
- 2- Downward & medially
- 3- Upward & laterally

The Answers

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| 1 | 3 |
| 2 | 1 |
| 3 | 3 |
| 4 | 1 |
| 5 | 2 |
| 6 | 2 |
| 7 | 1 |
| 8 | 2 |
| 9 | 1 |
| 10 | 3 |
| 11 | 3 |
| 12 | 1 |