Congenital Hand Differences in the Media

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Reactions to the videos



Microsoft's two-minute slot tells the stories of a number of young gamers with disabilities and how the Adaptive Controller levels the playing field in Xbox games. It's part of



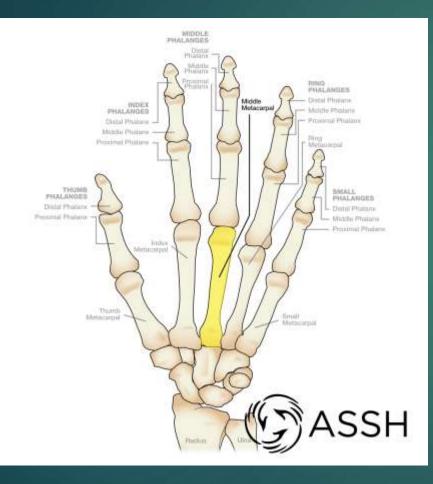
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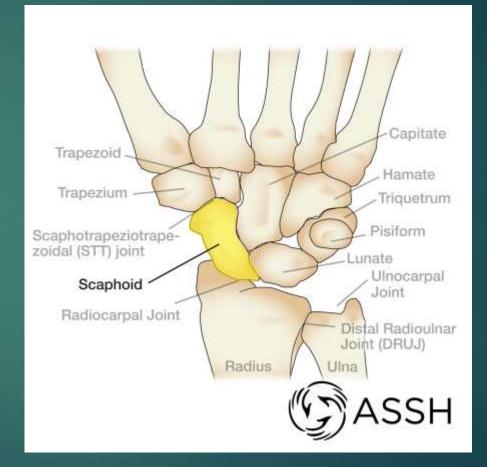
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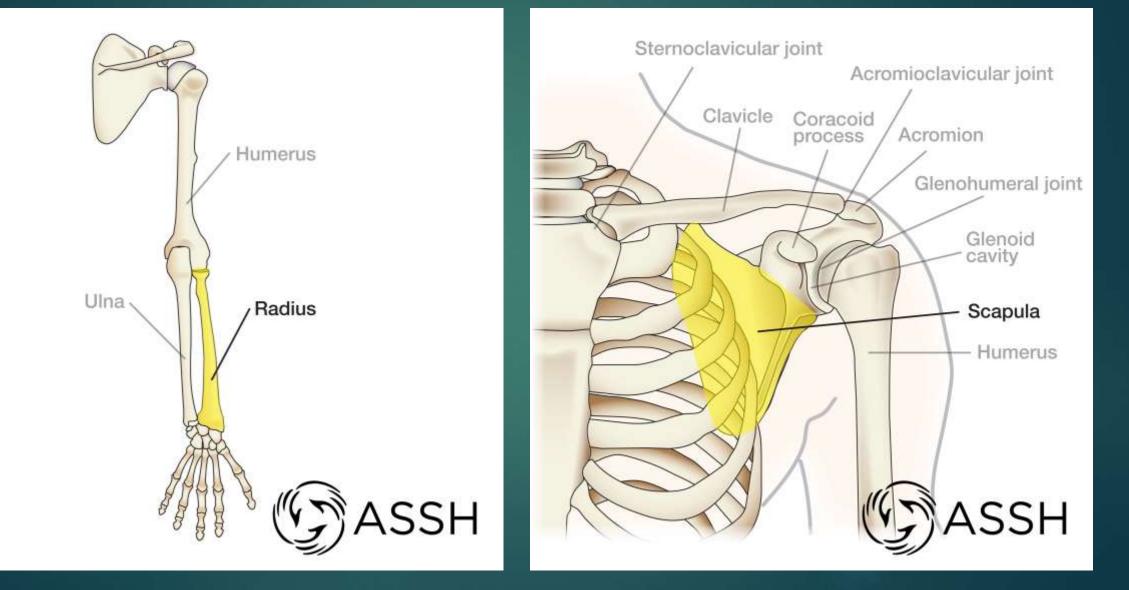
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Hand





Arm Anatomy

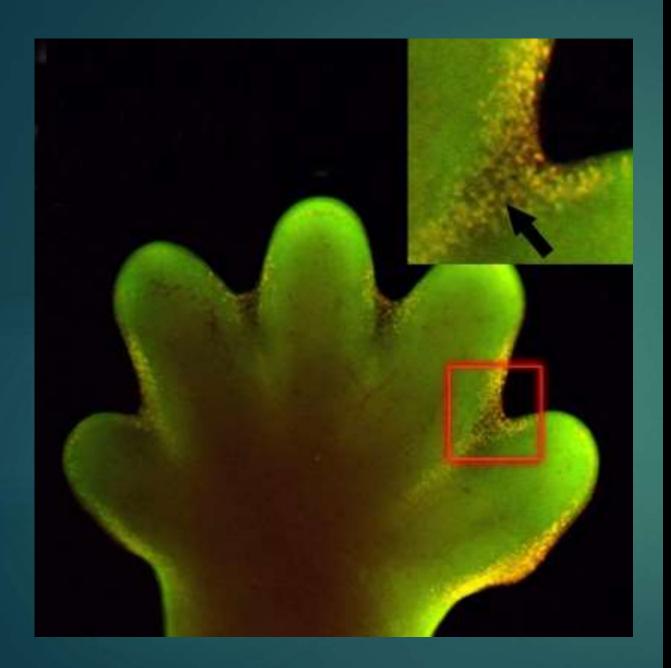


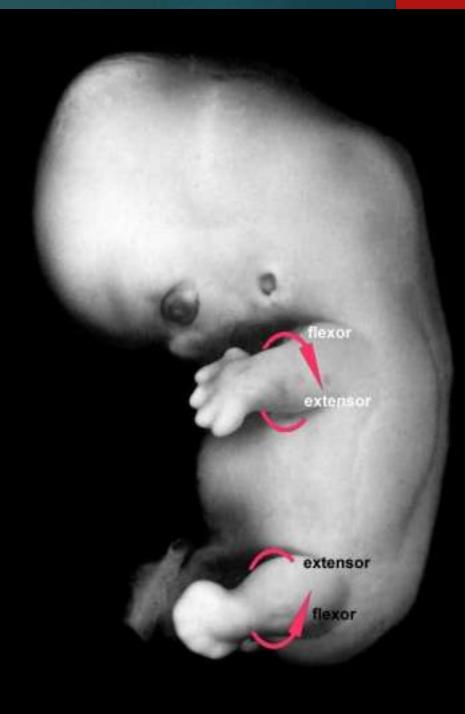
Embryology

Limb buds: mesoderm covered in ectoderm

- Mesoderm: "Means to get around" aka skeletal, cardiovascular
- **Ectoderm**: "Attractoderm" aka skin hair nails brain
- **Endoderm**: "Endernal-organs" NOT INCLUDED HERE
- ► Upper limb bud: WEEK 6
- ► Hand plate: WEEK 8

Limb axis formation: Proximodistal axis, dorsoventral axis, anteroposterior axis





Are congenital hand differences common?

1982 study Lamb et al.:
11/10,000 births
Most common: syndactyly, polydactyly, camptodactyly

Classification of Congenital Hand Differences

I. Failure of formation

II. Failure of differentiation

III. Duplication

IV. Overgrowth

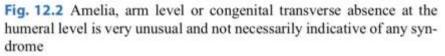
V. Undergrowth

VI. Congenital constriction band syndrome

VII. Generalized skeletal abnormalities

<u>Amelia</u>: congenital amputation of upper extremity







<u>Hemimelia</u>: absence of part of limb, eg forearm





Gillette ad: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vQYzsiVscNg



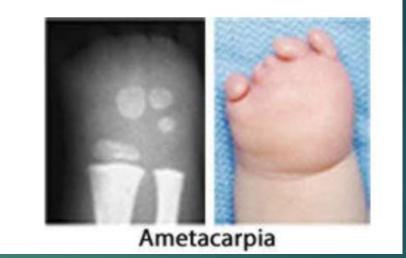
Achiria: absent wrist

<u>Peromelia</u>: absent hand





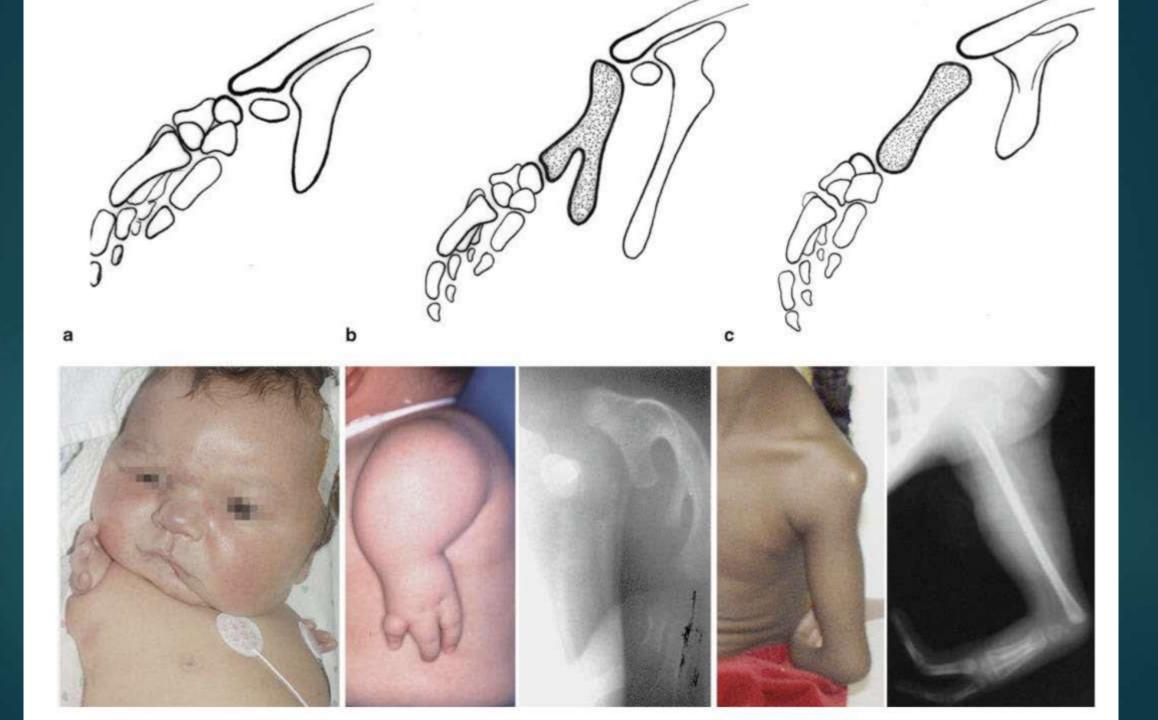
<u>Ametacarapia</u>: absent metacarpals



<u>Aphalangia</u>: absent finger

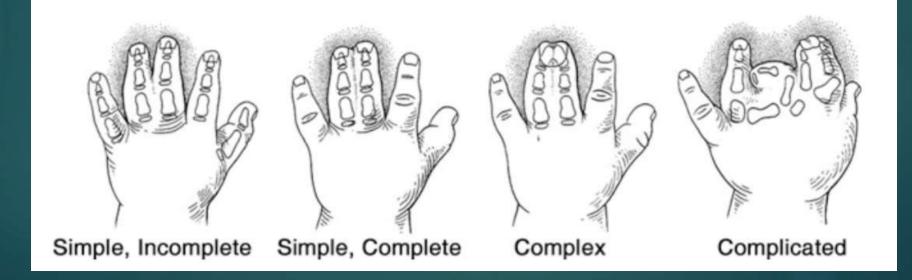
<u>Phocomelia</u>: segmental failure of limb growth

- Greek for "seal limb"
- ► Thalidomide:
 - Drug used for morning sickness in pregnant women 1960s
- ► 3 types
 - I: Hand attached to scapula
 - ► II: Forearm attached to scapula
 - III: Absent forearm with hand attached to humerus



<u>Syndactyly</u>: fusion of adjacent fingers

Partial v Complete Simple v Complex v "Complicated"



Brachy: short, eg brachymetacarpia, brachydactyly





Tosh.O http://www.cc.com/videoclips/7ynwra/tosh-0-megan-fox-stoe-thumbs





Nubbins Puckered skin 4 types

**they have fingernails



<u>Amniotic Constriction Band</u>: loss of digits/limbs in multiple areas due to in utero tight bands



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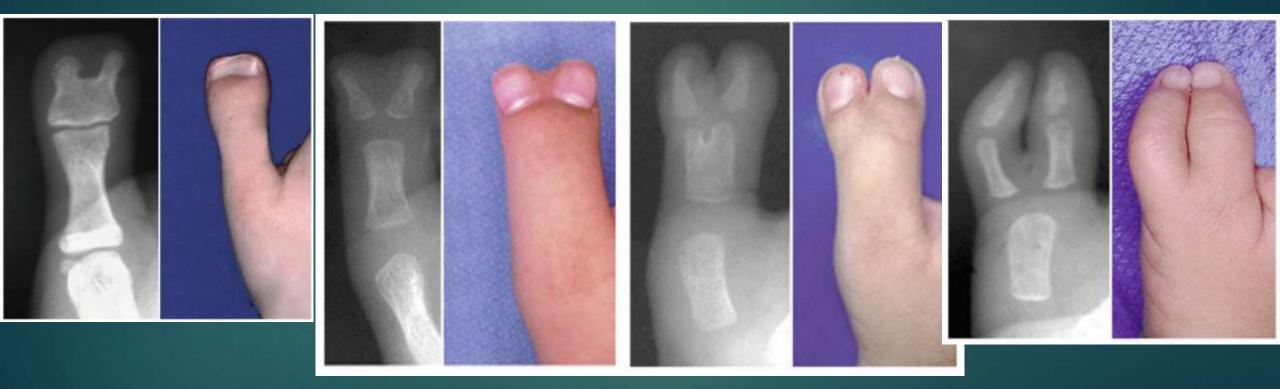
Polydactyly: multiple digits



3 Types of Polydactyly



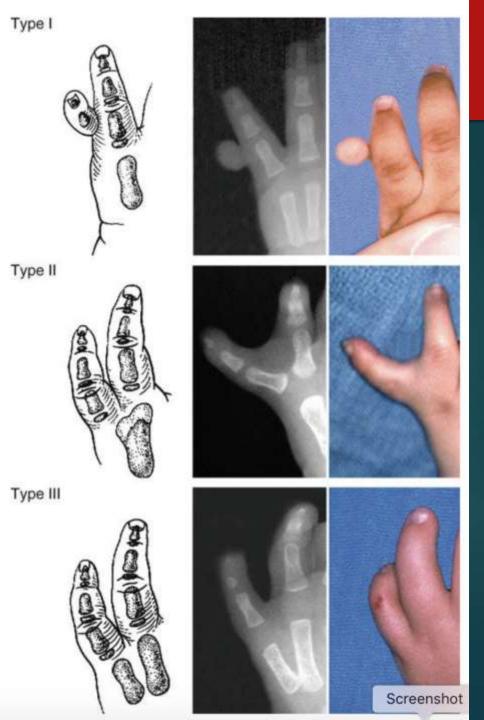
Pre-axial or Radial Polydactyly: thumb polydactyly







Post axial or Ulnar Polydactyly: small finger duplication



Type IV: completely formed 6th digit



Macrodactyly: overgrowth



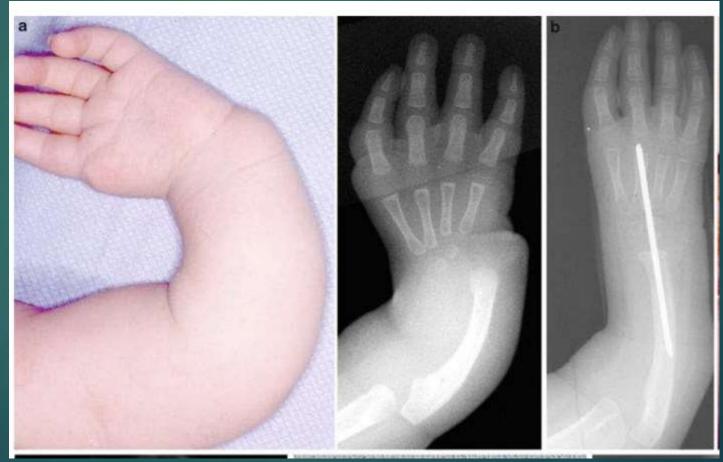




<u>Arthrogryposis</u>: multiple joint contractures, ptyergium = skin webbing



Radial longitudinal deficiency: short or absent radius and radial structures



Pollicization: turning a finger into a thumb



<u>Ulnar longitudinal deficiency</u>: ulna shortening/absence, synostosis at elbow, digit loss/anomolies



Time for a quiz!







He does have fingernails

Grover: symbracydactyly

Nubbins

- Puckered skin
- Foreshortened fingers OR APLASIA

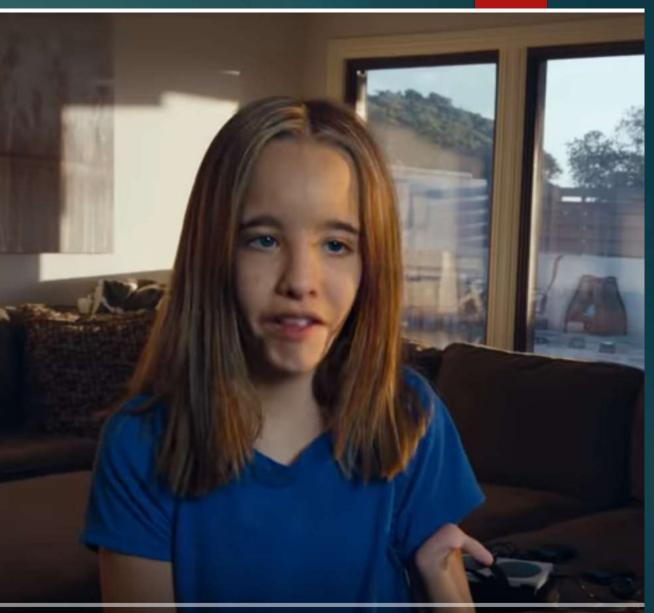
Jordan and Sean



Amelia and Hemimelia









Ulnar Longitudinal Deficiency

Loss of digits

- Synostosis of digits
- Likely fusion of ulna to humerus at elbow

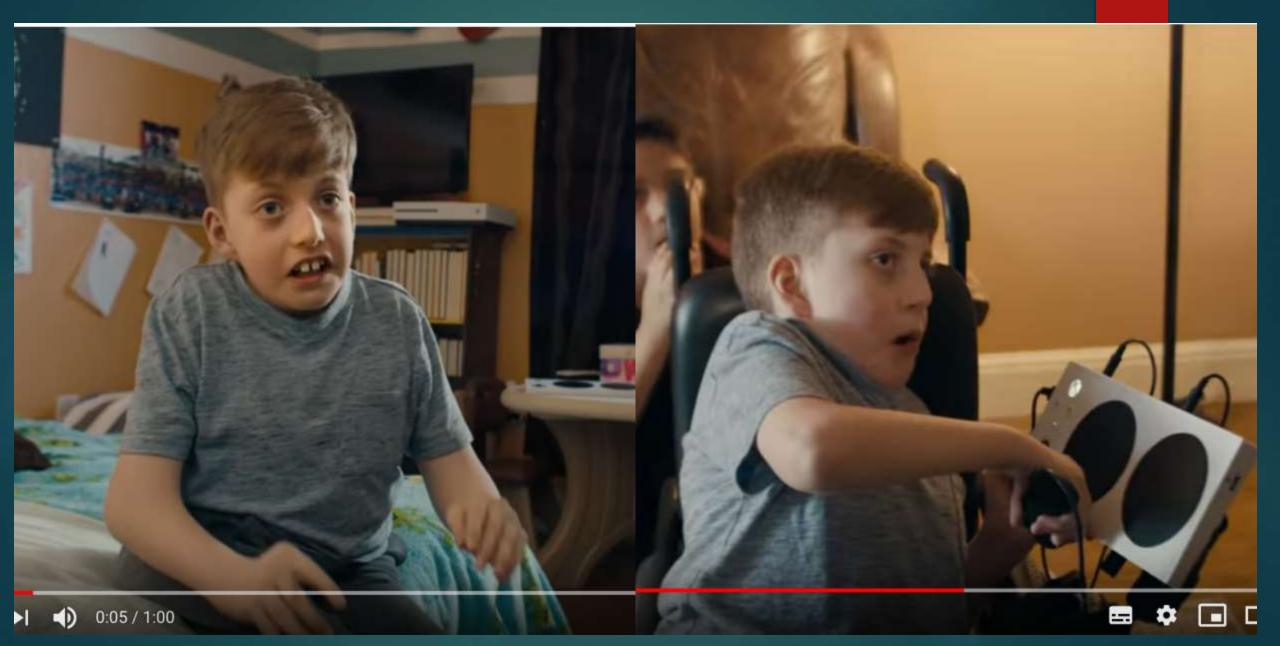




Achiria

Per reports he had amniotic band syndrome resulting in amputation of the hand at 4yo





Escobar Syndrome

Form of arthrogryposis

Multiple pterygia

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