Anatomy theory

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Introduction to Anatomy

Definitions

Definition

➢For understanding the body's parts and functions; two branches of science—anatomy and physiology— will provide the basis for such objectives.

➤Anatomy is the study of body structures and the relationships among them.

Levels of Structural Organization



ANATOMICAL POSITION

The *anatomical position* is a standardized method for observing or imaging the body.

- 1. Usual bipedal erect position
- 2. Upper limbs hangs adducted and palms faces anteriorly.
- 3. Eyes facing forwards.
- 4. Feet remain parallel on the same level.

ANATOMICAL POSITION





Macroscopical (Gross) anatomy

- **1. Cadaveric anatomy:** study of anatomy of dead bodies.
- A. Systemic anatomy.
- Locomotor system
- Osteology
- Myology
- Arthrology (joints)

Macroscopical (Gross) anatomy

- Visceral system
- Alimentary system (GIT)
- Respiratory system
- Endocrine system
- Urogenital system
- Cardiovascular system
- Nervous system or neurology
- Integumentary system or dermatology
- ► Special senses

Macroscopical (Gross) anatomy

- B. Regional anatomy:
- Head
- Neck
- Trunk: back, thorax, abdomen and pelvis
- Upper extremities
- Lower extremities

2. Developmental Anatomy – the study of the biological processes that extend from fertilization to the formation of the adult anatomy. Embryology is a subdivision of developmental anatomy that is concerned exclusively with the developmental processes that occur prior to birth.

3. Comparative Anatomy – the study of the anatomies of different organisms, drawing contrasts and similarities between the structure and function of the anatomies.

4. Applied Anatomy – the practical application of anatomy, typically in a diagnostic or therapeutic clinical procedure, e.g., the application of anatomical knowledge during the performance of a physical examination. 5. *Clinical Anatomy* – It deals with the abnormal condition of the tissue or organs when clinical conditions are examined and compared with the normal conditions

- 6. Cross-Sectional Anatomy anatomy viewed in the transverse (horizontal) plane of the body.
- 7. Neuroanatomy the study of the central and peripheral nervous systems.
- 8. Surface anatomy Surface markings of the body to locate and reveal internal structures through visualization and palpation (gentle touch).

9. Radiographic Anatomy (Radiological Anatomy) - the study of anatomy as observed with imaging techniques that are derived from the diagnostic and therapeutic tools of the clinical field of radiology; within clinical practice commonly includes plain film radiography (with or without contrast materials), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT), and ultrasonography.

10.Living anatomy: is the observation of the living body.

TECHNIQUES AND METHODS USED TO KNOW ABOUT LIVING ANATOMY

- 1. Inspection
- 2. Palpation
- 3. Percussion
- 4. Auscultation
- 5. Endoscopic examination
- 6. Imaging