

FLEX4LIFE® FOR JOINT HEALTH

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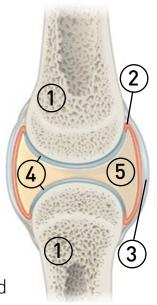
Articular cartilage is the cartilage found on the ends of bones where they come together to form joints. It is a fascinating tissue that is both strong and resilient. However, it can also be a pain—literally. Benjamin Franklin said, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." This is especially true for articular cartilage. Articular cartilage adapts very well, but once it is significantly damaged, it does not heal well on its own. Take care of your cartilage, and it will take care of you.

Articular cartilage health relies on three things:

- 1. Consistent loading—walking, running, jumping, etc.
- 2. Recycling of old with new tissue
- 3. Proper nutrition

We used to think that articular cartilage got worn out by wear and tear from exercise.¹ We have since learned that consistent loading, like walking, running, and jumping,

- (1) Bone
- 2 Synovial membrance
- 3 Articular capsule
- 4 Articular cartilage
- 5 Joint cavity containing synovial fluid



can be very good for articular cartilage health. In fact, exercise can help drive normal cartilage recycling and adaptation.²

For cartilage to recycle, replacing old cartilage with new cartilage—a series of complex, intricate steps—must occur. The first step in cartilage remodeling involves certain immune system repair processes. With that said, uncontrolled and prolonged activity of these repair processes can result in systemic stress that ultimately hurts the cartilage. The stress conditions can interrupt normal cartilage adaptation and weaken the tissue.

Nutrition can play a major role in supporting the health of articular cartilage and preventing some systemic stress conditions. Consuming a diet rich in fruits, vegetables, and other whole foods can help avoid systemic stress and maintain articular cartilage health. Foods high in omega-3 fatty acids are also important.³

So, how do you keep cartilage healthy? Regular exercise provides consistent loading. Flex4Life® can help reduce physiological stress and support the recycling of old tissue. The new Flex4Life capsule formula features new ingredients, such as hyaluronic acid, *Terminalia chebula*, and tumeric, that support cartilage recycling and control systemic stress that could interrupt the normal cartilage adaptation process.⁴⁻⁶

Flex4Life, a healthy diet, and other immune support products are excellent choices for supporting articular cartilage.*

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