

Anatomy Dossier



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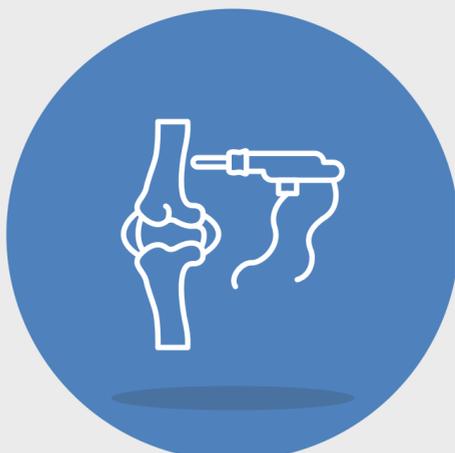
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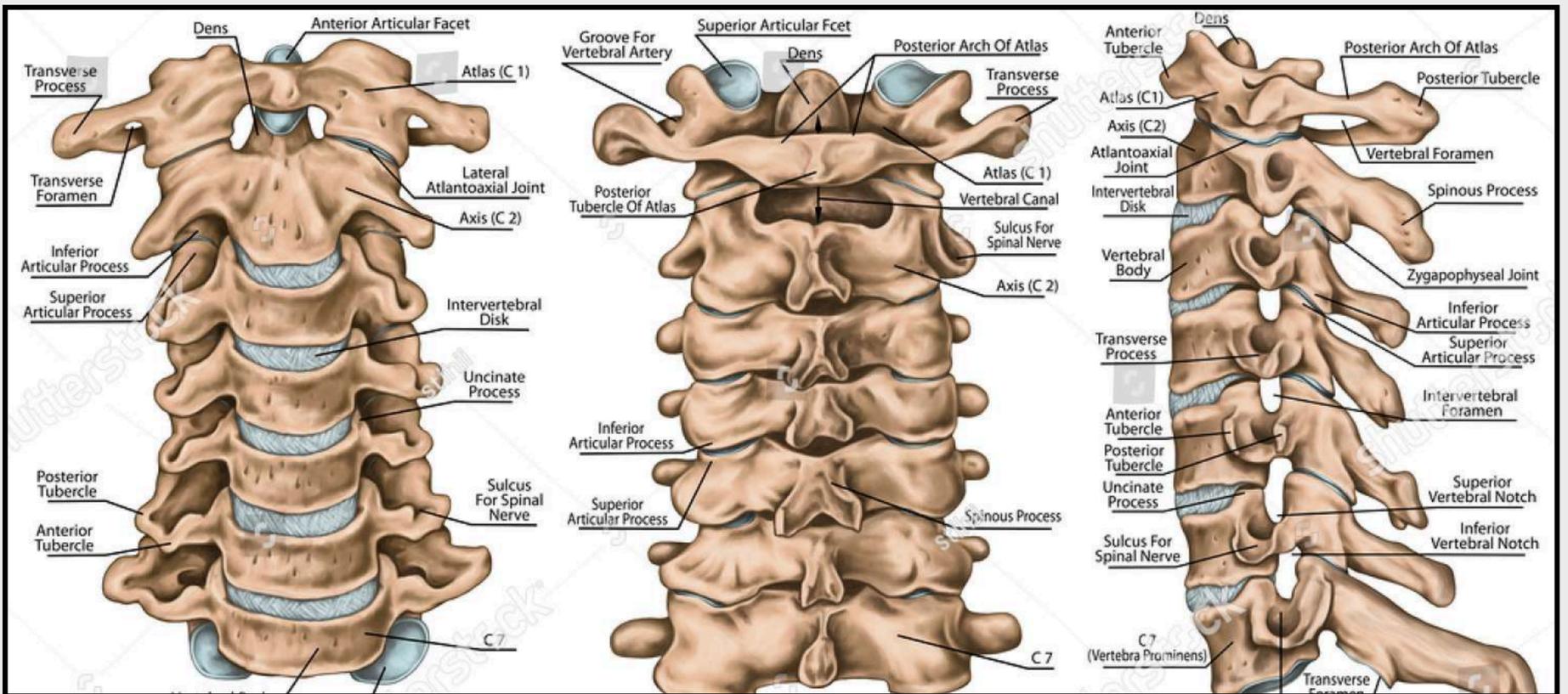
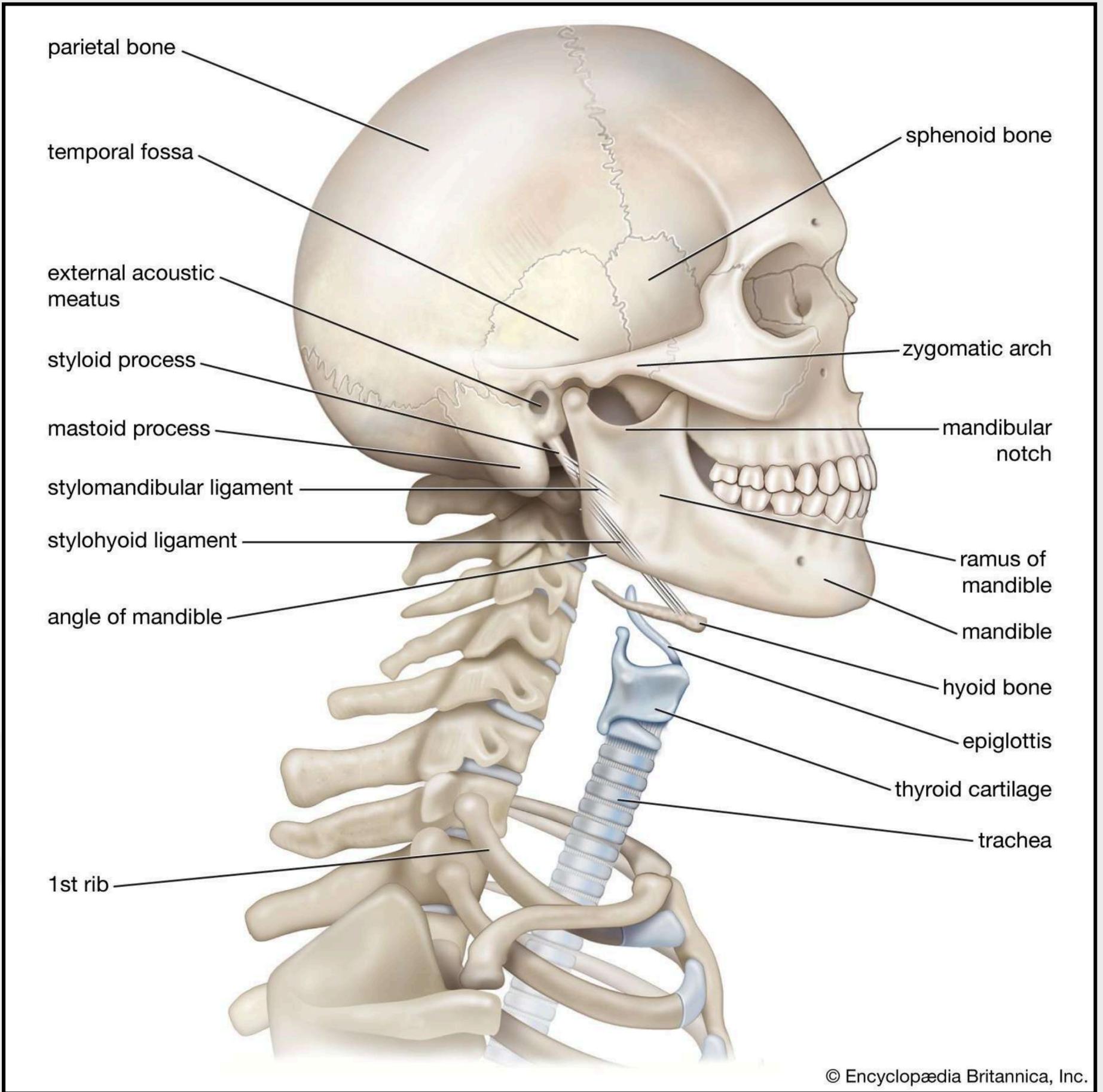


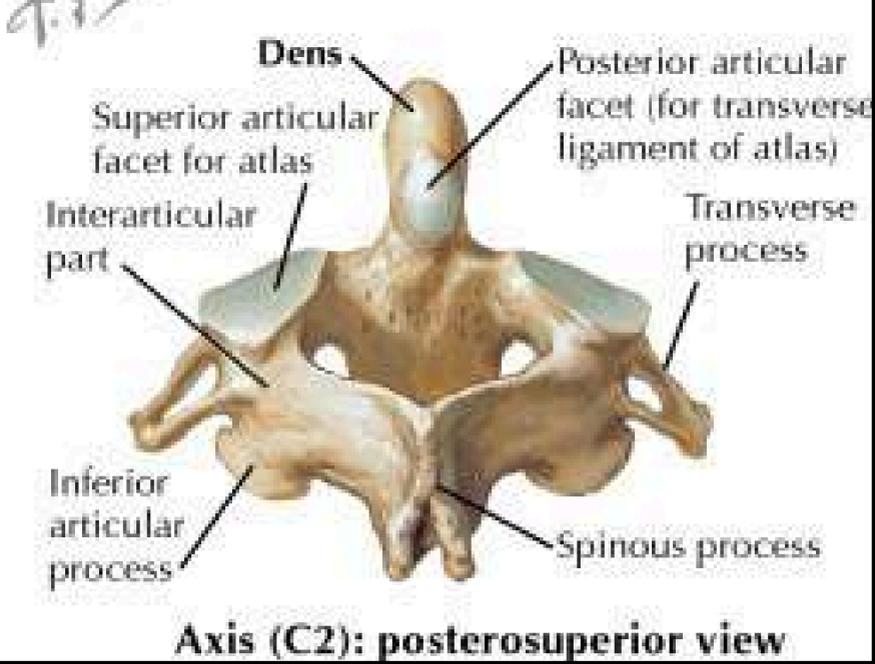
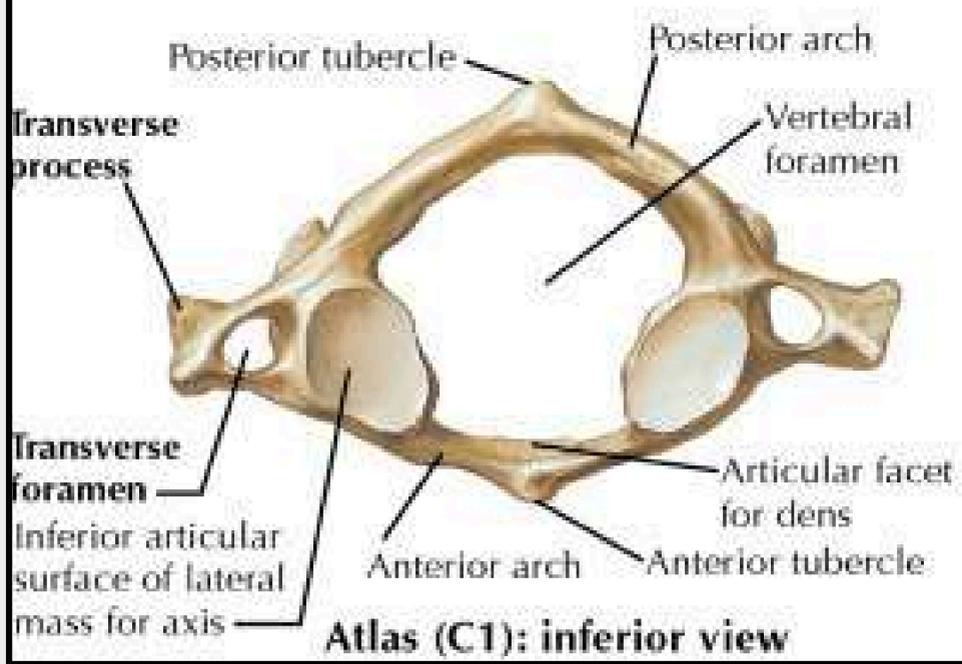
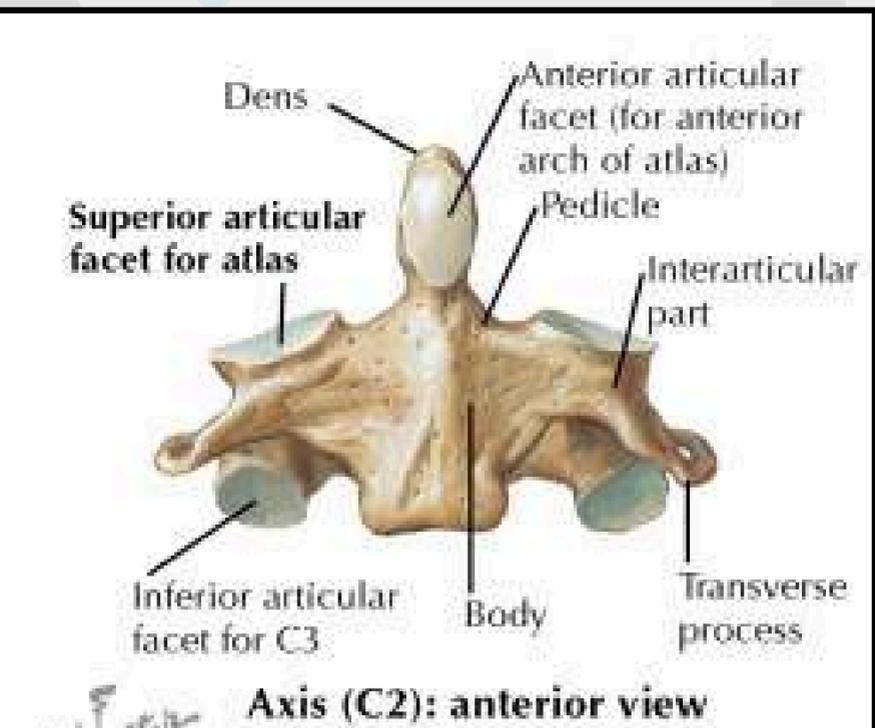
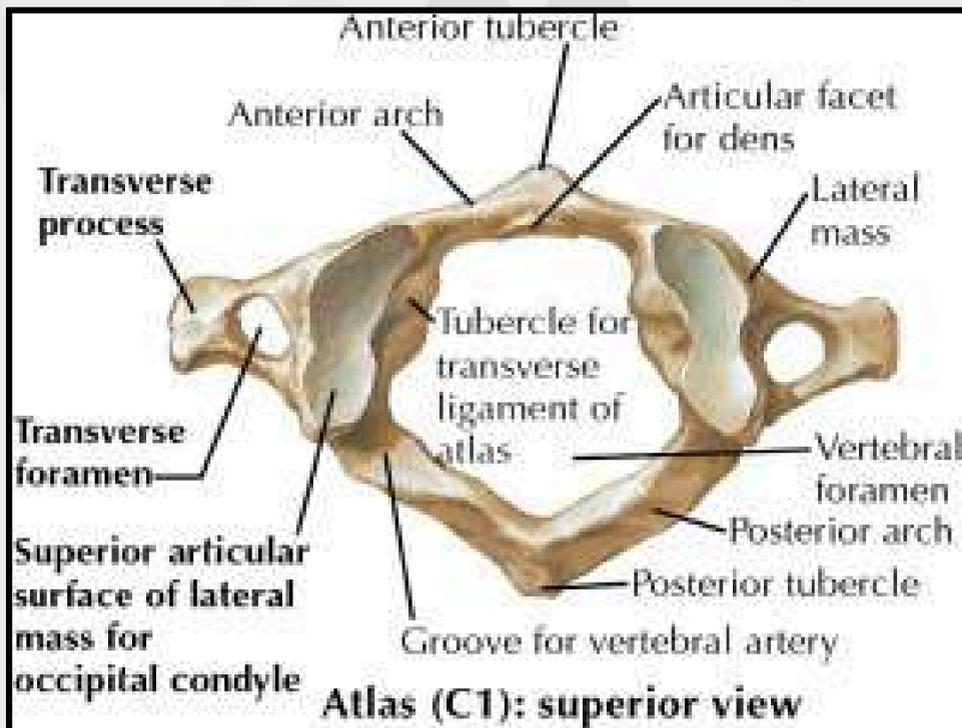
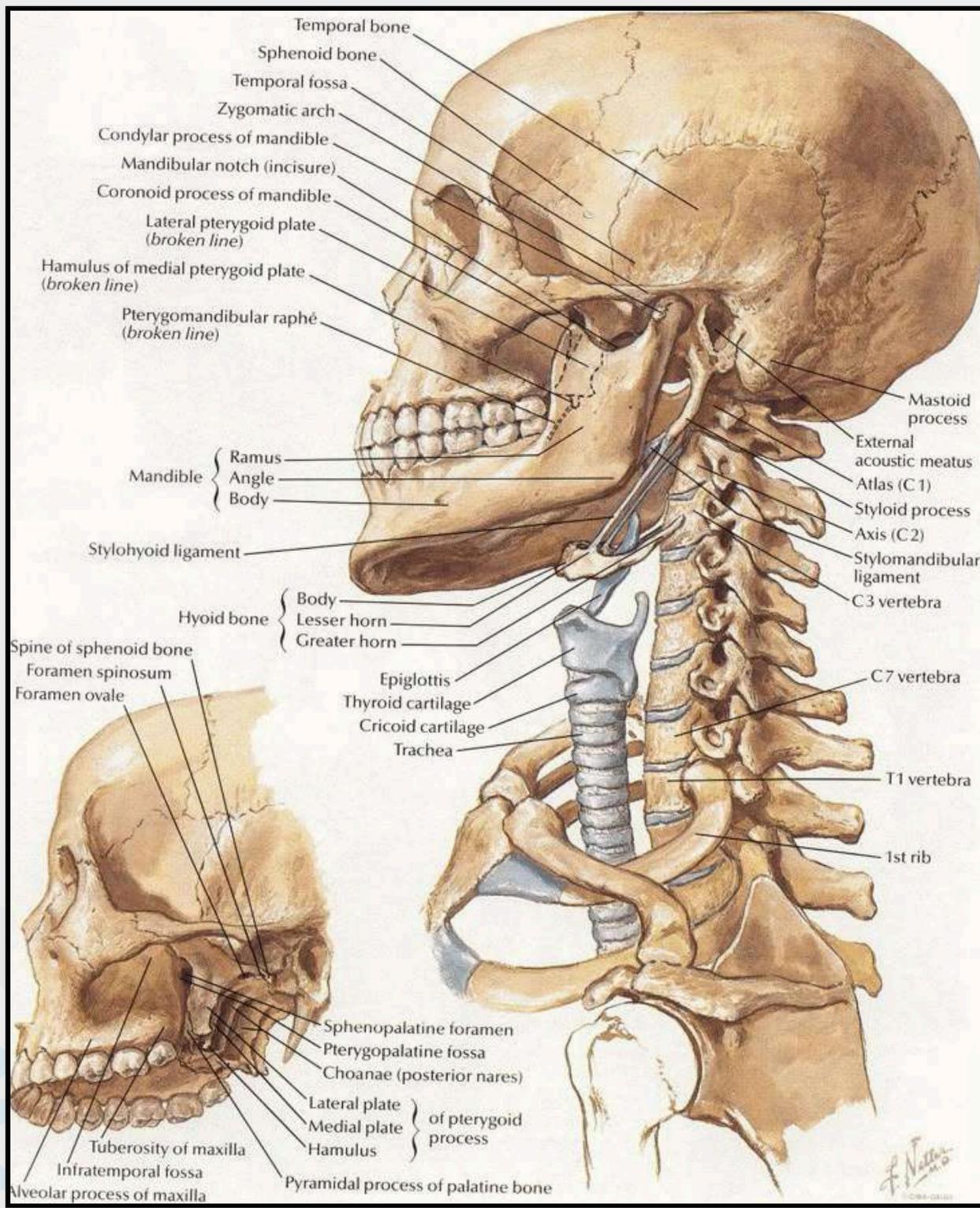
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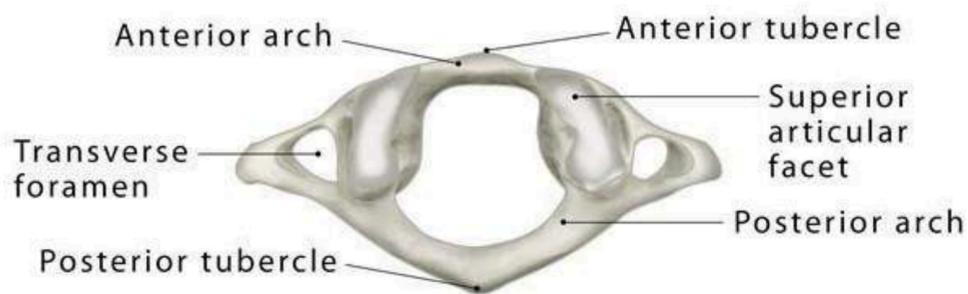
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Neck

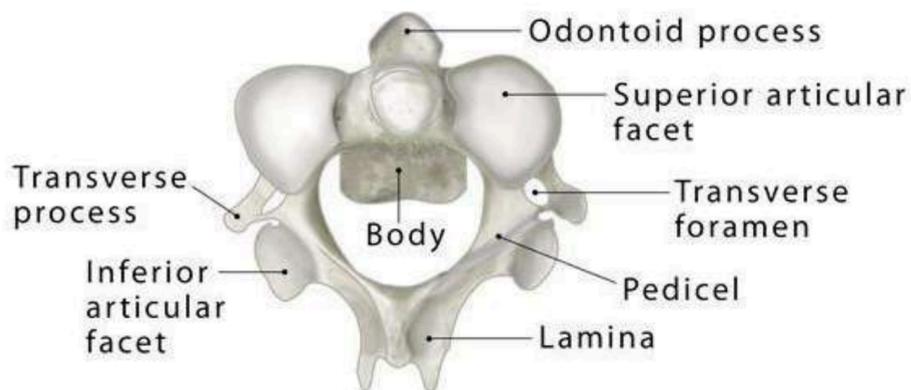




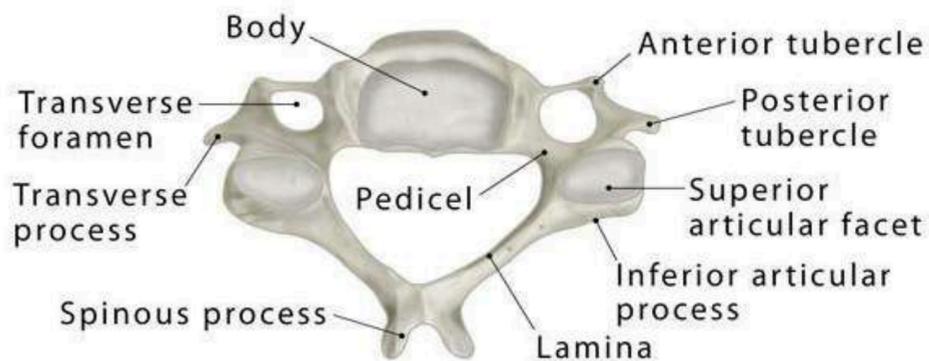
Cervical Vertebrae



Superior view of C1 (Atlas)

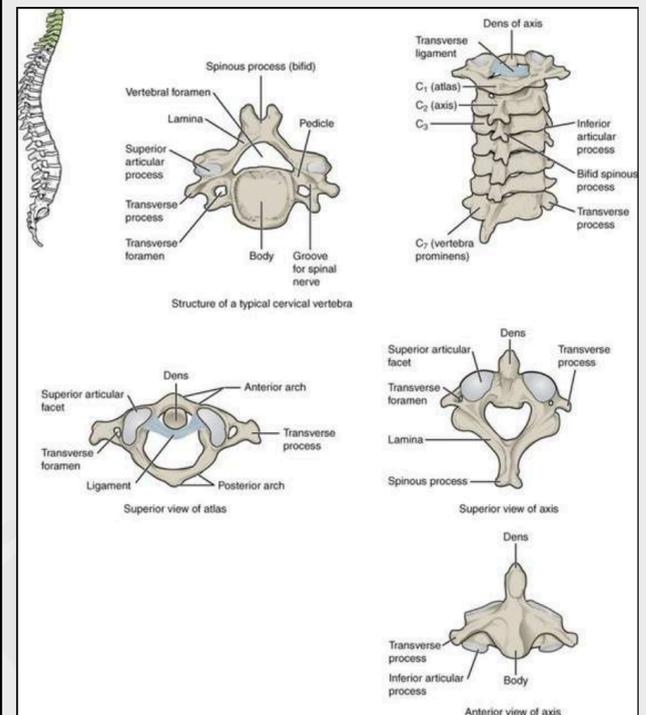


Superior view of C2 (Axis)

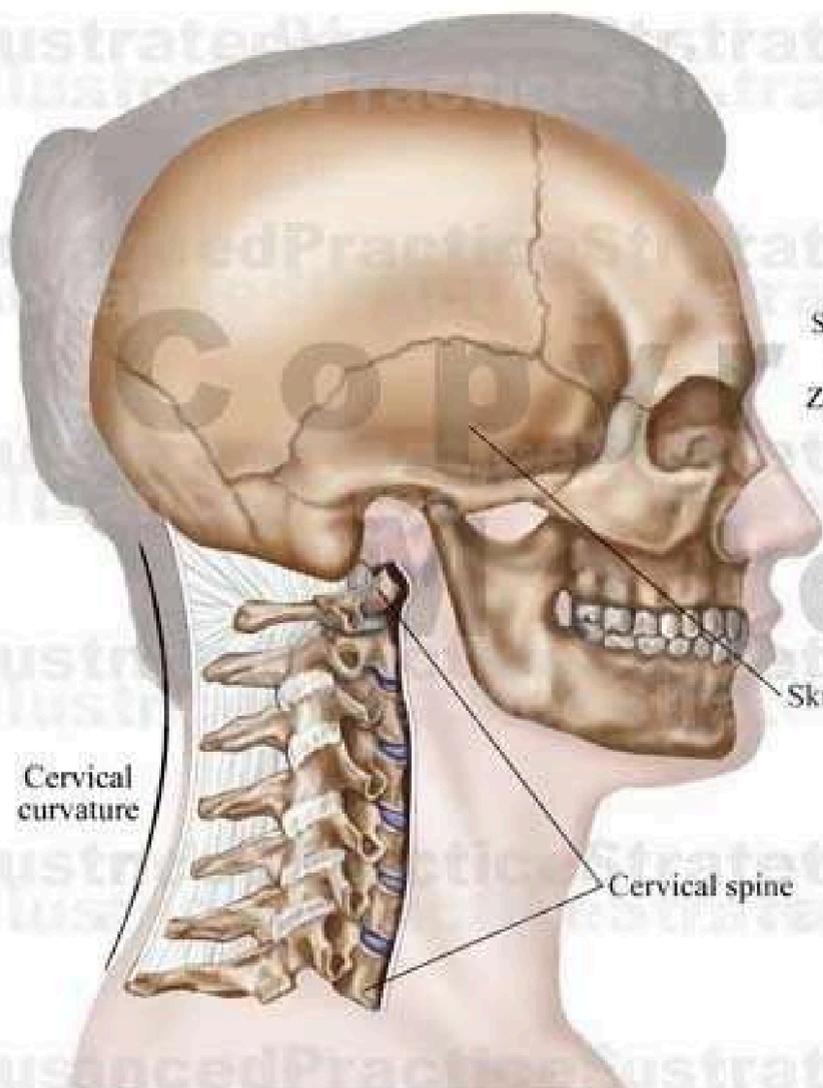


Superior view of C3-C7

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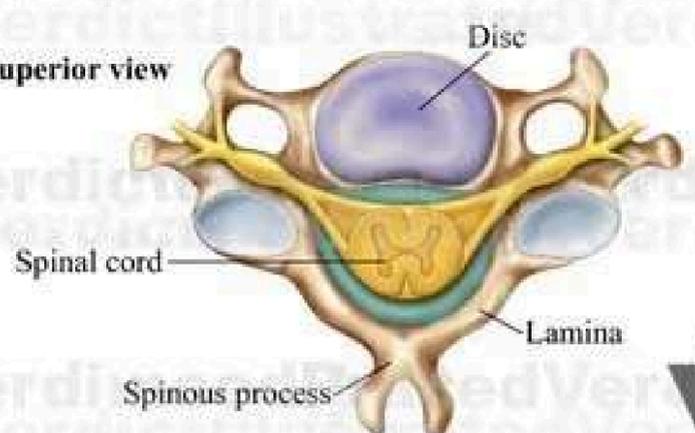
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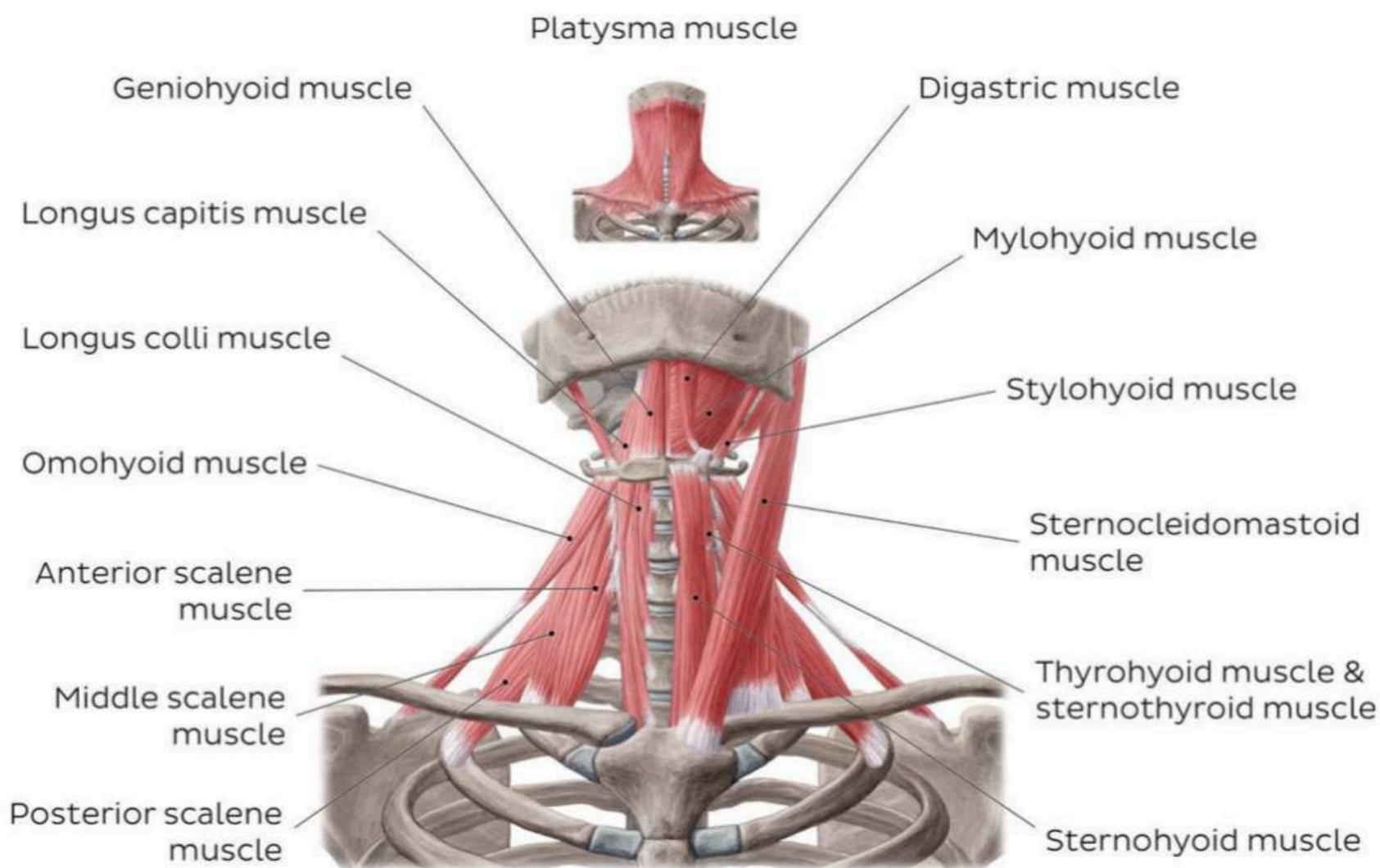
Right Lateral view



Superior view

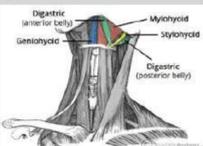


Anterior & lateral neck muscles



Other muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Platysma 	Skin/Fascia of infra- and supraclavicular regions	Lower border of mandible, Skin of buccal/cheek region, Lower lip, Modiolus, Orbicularis oris muscle	Cervical branch of facial nerve (CN VII)	Depresses mandible and angle of mouth, Tenses skin of lower face and anterior neck
Sternocleidomastoid 	Sternal head: Superoanterior surface of manubrium of sternum Clavicular head: Superior surface of medial third of clavicle	Lateral surface of mastoid process of temporal bone, Lateral half of superior nuchal line of occipital bone	Accessory nerve (CN XI), Anterior rami of spinal nerves C2-C3	Bilateral contraction - Atlantooccipital joint/ Superior cervical spine: Head/Neck extension; Inferior cervical vertebrae: Neck flexion; Sternoclavicular joint: Elevation of clavicle and manubrium of sternum Unilateral contraction - Cervical spine: Neck ipsilateral flexion, Neck contralateral rotation
Longus capitis 	Anterior tubercles of transverse processes of C3-C6	Basilar part of occipital bone	Anterior rami of spinal nerves C1-C3	Bilateral contraction - Head flexion Ipsilateral contraction - Head rotation (ipsilateral)
Longus colli (Longus cervicis) 	Superior part: Anterior tubercles of transverse processes of vertebrae C3-C5 Intermediate part: Anterior surface of bodies of vertebrae C5-T3 Inferior part: Anterior surface of bodies of vertebrae T1-T3	Superior part: Anterior tubercle of vertebra C1 Intermediate part: Anterior surface of bodies of vertebrae C2-C4 Inferior part: Anterior tubercles of transverse processes of vertebrae C5-C6	Anterior rami of spinal nerves C2-C6	Bilateral contraction - Neck flexion, Neck lateral flexion (ipsilateral) Unilateral contraction - Neck contralateral rotation

Infrahyoid muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Sternothyroid	Posterior surface of manubrium of sternum, Costal cartilage of rib 1	Oblique line of thyroid cartilage	Anterior rami of spinal nerves C1-C3 (via ansa cervicalis)	Depresses larynx
Sternohyoid 	Manubrium of sternum, Medial end of clavicle	Inferior border of body of hyoid bone		Depresses hyoid bone (from elevated position)
Omohyoid 	Inferior belly: Superior border of scapula (near suprascapular notch) Superior belly: intermediate tendon of omohyoid muscle	Inferior belly: intermediate tendon of omohyoid muscle Superior belly: Body of hyoid bone		Depresses and draws hyoid bone posteriorly
Thyrohyoid 	Oblique line of thyroid cartilage	Inferior border of body and greater horn of hyoid bone	Anterior ramus of spinal nerve C1 (via hypoglossal nerve)	Depresses hyoid bone, Elevates larynx
Scalenus anterior (Anterior scalene)	Anterior tubercle of transverse processes of vertebrae C3-C6	Scalene tubercle and superior border of rib 1 (anterior to subclavian groove)	Anterior rami of spinal nerves C4-C6	Bilateral contraction - Neck flexion Unilateral contraction - Neck lateral flexion (ipsilateral), Neck rotation (contralateral), Elevates rib 1
Scalenus medius (Middle scalene)	Posterior tubercles of transverse processes of vertebrae C3-C7	Superior border of rib 1 (posterior to subclavian groove)	Anterior rami of spinal nerves C3-C8	Neck lateral flexion, Elevates rib 1
Scalenus posterior (Posterior scalene)	Posterior tubercles of transverse processes of vertebrae C5-C7	External surface of rib 2	Anterior rami of spinal nerves C6-C8	Neck lateral flexion, Elevates rib 2
Rectus capitis anterior 	Anterior surface of lateral mass and transverse process of atlas	Inferior surface of basilar part of occipital bone	Anterior rami of spinal nerves C1, C2	Atlantooccipital joint: Head flexion
Rectus capitis lateralis 	Superior surface of transverse process of atlas	Inferior surface of jugular process of occipital bone		Unilateral contraction - Atlantooccipital joint: Head lateral flexion (ipsilateral), Stabilises joint

Suprahyoid muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Mylohyoid 	Mylohyoid line of mandible	Mylohyoid raphe, Body of hyoid bone	Nerve to mylohyoid (of inferior alveolar nerve (CN V3))	Forms floor of oral cavity, Elevates hyoid bone and floor of mouth, Depresses mandible
Geniohyoid 	Inferior mental spine (Inferior genial tubercle)	Body of hyoid bone	Anterior ramus of spinal nerve C1 (via hypoglossal nerve)	Elevates and draws hyoid bone anteriorly
Stylohyoid 	Styloid process of temporal bone		Stylohyoid branch of facial nerve (CN VII)	Elevates and draws hyoid bone posteriorly
Digastric 	Anterior belly: Digastric fossa of mandible Posterior belly: Mastoid notch of temporal bone	Intermediate digastric tendon (Body of hyoid bone)	Anterior belly: Nerve to mylohyoid (of inferior alveolar nerve) (CN V3) Posterior belly: Digastric branch of facial nerve (CN VII)	Depresses mandible, Elevates hyoid bone during swallowing and speaking

Brachial plexus

Brachial plexus = Roots (C5-T1) → Trunks (upper , meddle , lower) → Divisions (Ant. , Post.) → Cords (lateral , post., medial) → Branches → supply muscles & skin of upper limb

Branches

From Roots:

- Dorsal scapular (C5) → rhomboids, levator scapulae
- Long thoracic (C5-C7) → serratus anterior

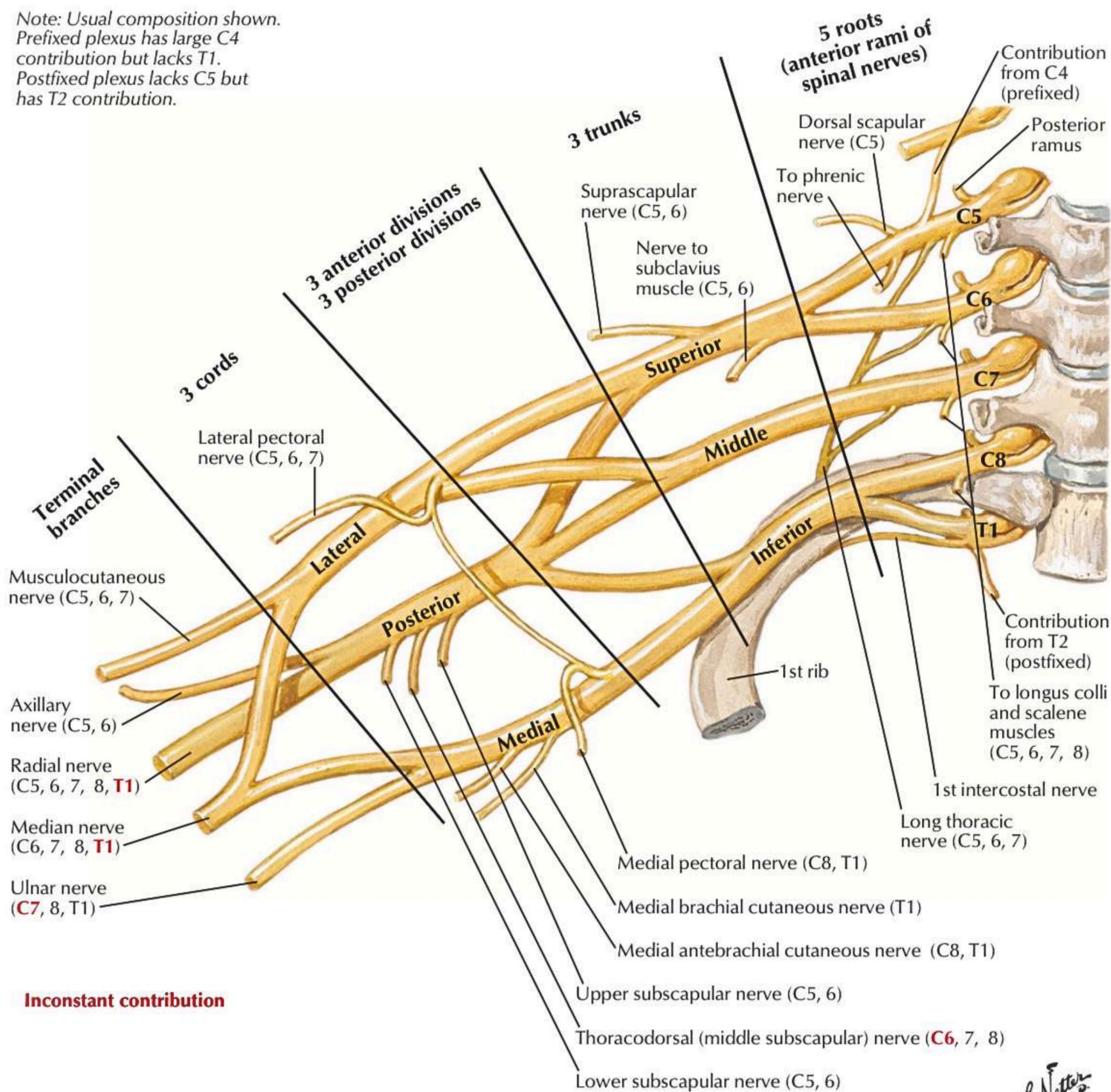
From Trunks:

- Suprascapular (C5-C6) → supraspinatus, infraspinatus
- Nerve to subclavius (C5-C6)

From Cords:

- Lateral cord: Musculocutaneous, part of Median
- Medial cord: Ulnar, part of Median
- Posterior cord: Axillary, Radial

Note: Usual composition shown.
Prefixed plexus has large C4 contribution but lacks T1.
Postfixed plexus lacks C5 but has T2 contribution.



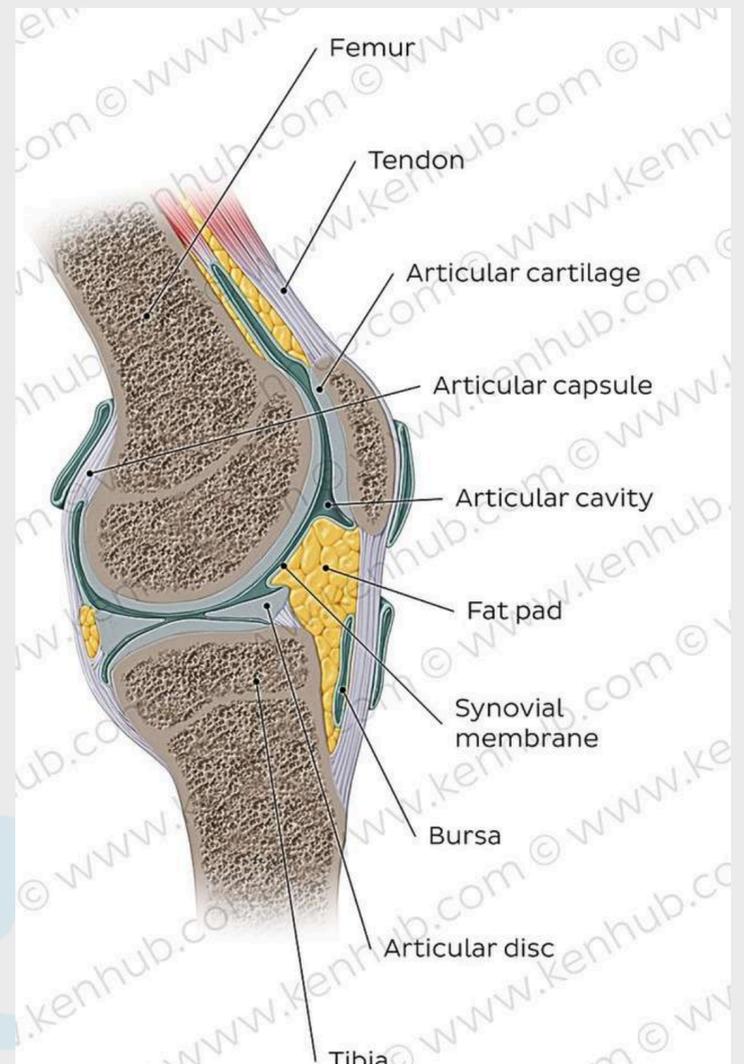
Overview of Synovial Joint

Synovial joints are the most common types of joints in the human body. They typically connect two bones (usually in the limbs) and they give the human body its mobility.

Key points about the synovial joints

Table quiz

Types	Plane, pivot, hinge, ellipsoid, saddle, ball and socket
Examples	<p>Plane joint: Acromioclavicular joint, intercarpal joints</p> <p>Pivot joint: Medial atlantoaxial joint, radioulnar joints</p> <p>Hinge joint: Elbow joint, knee joint, ankle joint</p> <p>Ellipsoid joint: Radiocarpal joint, metacarpophalangeal joints</p> <p>Saddle joint: First carpometacarpal joint</p> <p>Ball and socket joint: Hip joint, shoulder joint</p>
Main components of synovial joints	<p>Articular cartilage: Covers the ends of the articulating bones</p> <p>Articular capsule: Composed of an outer fibrous layer and inner synovial membrane</p> <p>Joint cavity: Filled with synovial fluid</p> <p>Reinforcing ligaments: Support the articular capsule</p>



Hinge Joint

- Movement: Flexion–Extension
- Example: Elbow joint

Modified hinge joint

- also permits slight rotational movement in addition to flexion–extension
- Example knee joint.

Pivot Joint

- Movement: Pronation–Supination / Rotation
- Example: Radio-ulnar joint

Ball & Socket Joint

- Movement: All directions
- Hip: Deep socket → More stability, less movement
- Shoulder: Shallow socket → Less stability, more movement

Ellipsoid Joint

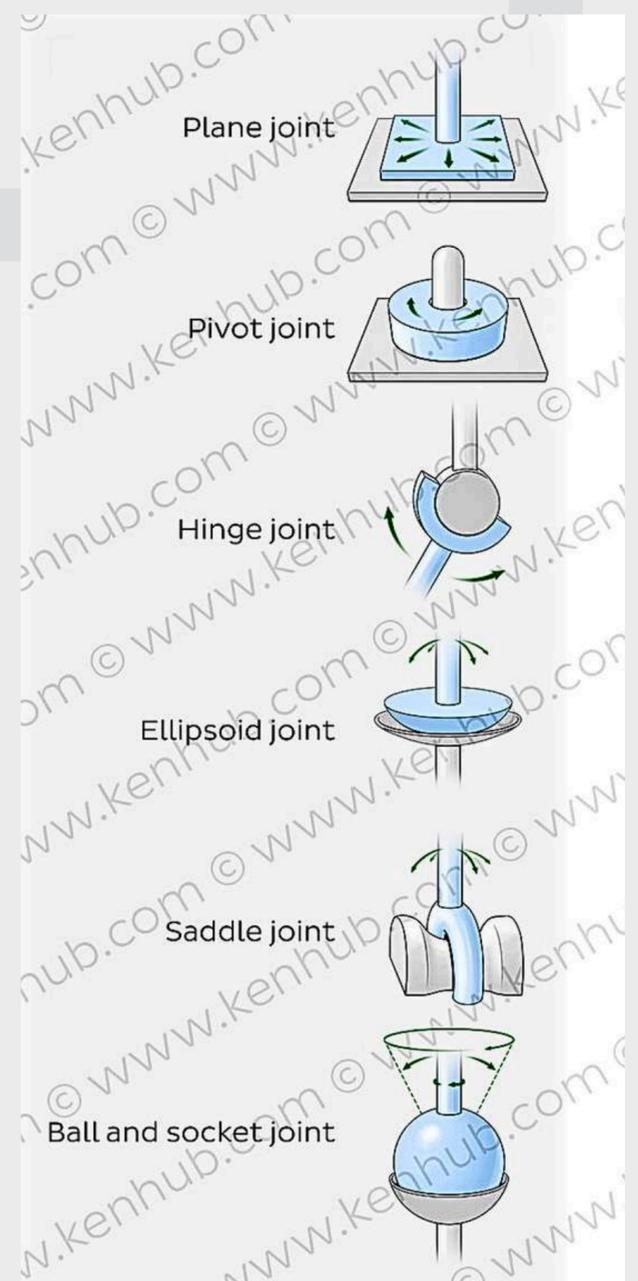
- Movement: Wrist movements
- Example: Radiocarpal joint

Saddle Joint

- Movement: Almost all movements
- Note: Rotation limited
- Example: Carpometacarpal joint (thumb)

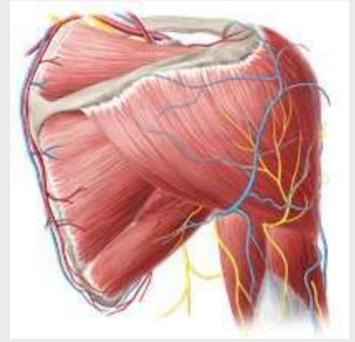
Plane Joint

- Movement: Gliding + slight rotation
- Examples: Acromioclavicular, carpal joints, tarsal joint



Shoulder

Joint type	Synovial ball-and-socket joint
Articular surfaces	Glenoid fossa of scapula, head of humerus
Ligaments	Superior glenohumeral, middle glenohumeral, inferior glenohumeral, coracohumeral, transverse humeral
Important muscles	Rotator cuff muscles: supraspinatus, infraspinatus, teres minor, subscapularis
Functions	Flexion, extension, abduction, adduction, lateral/external rotation, medial/internal rotation and circumduction



shoulder is one of the largest joints, connecting the arm to the trunk.

Consists of 4 joints:

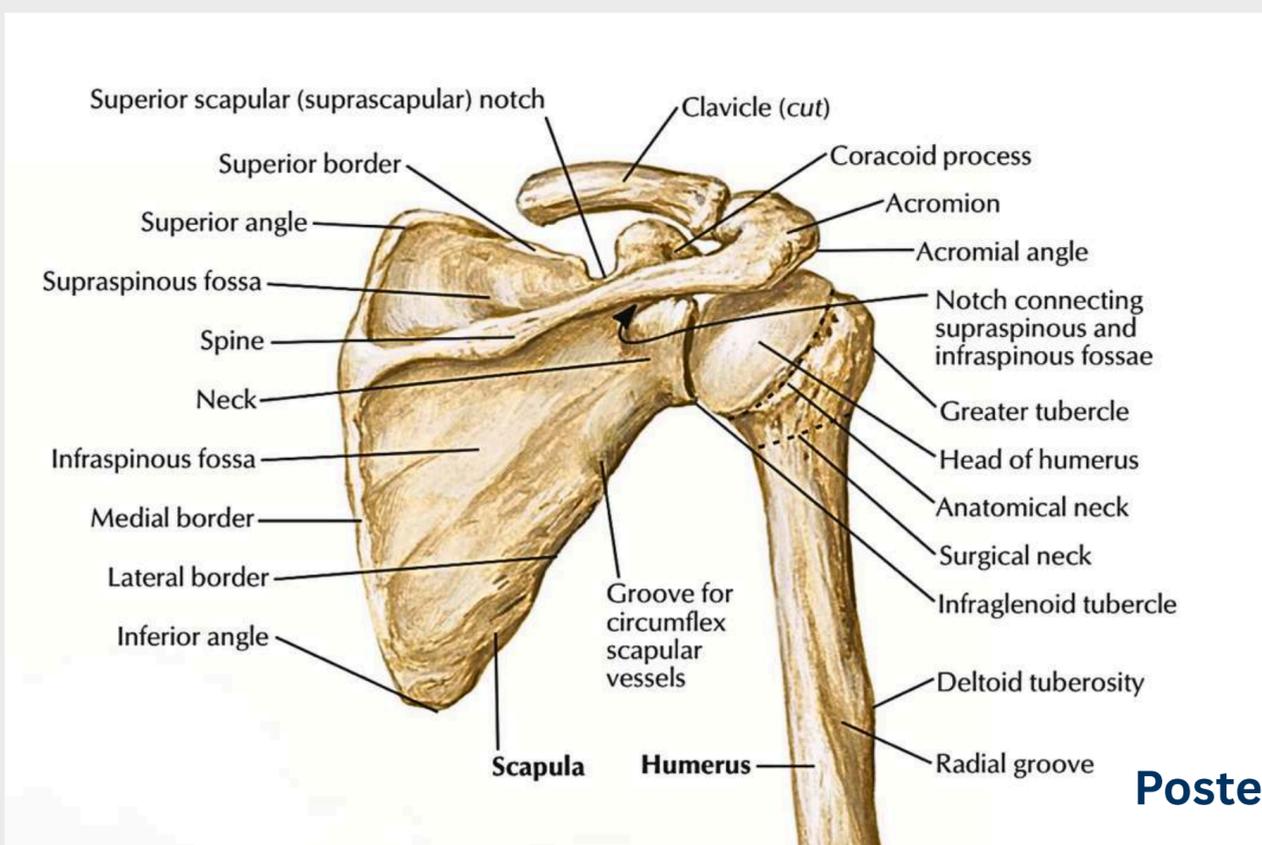
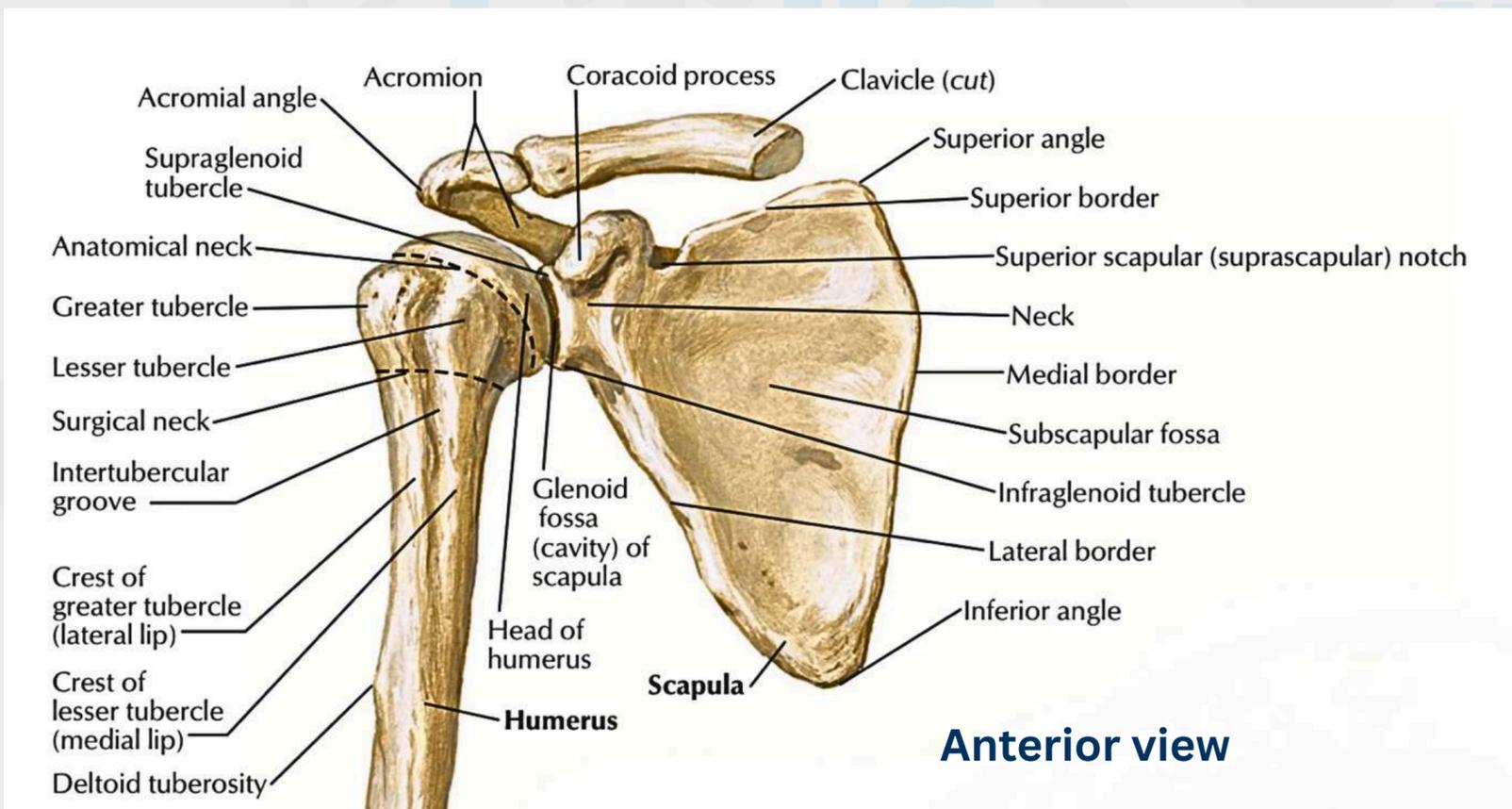
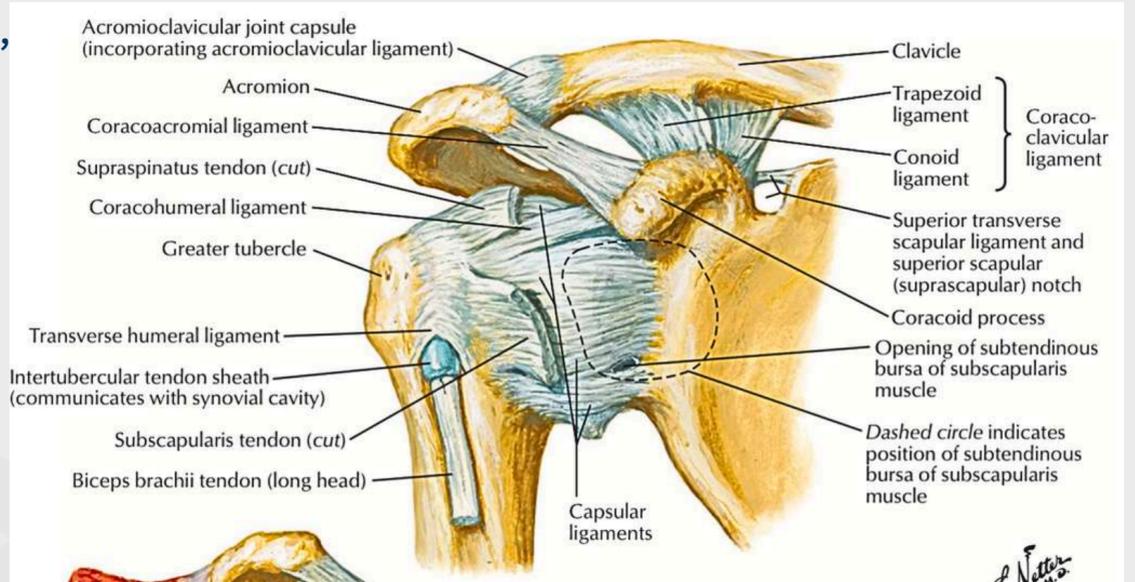
large joint the

1-Scapulothoracic joint

2- Acromioclavicular joint (ACJ)

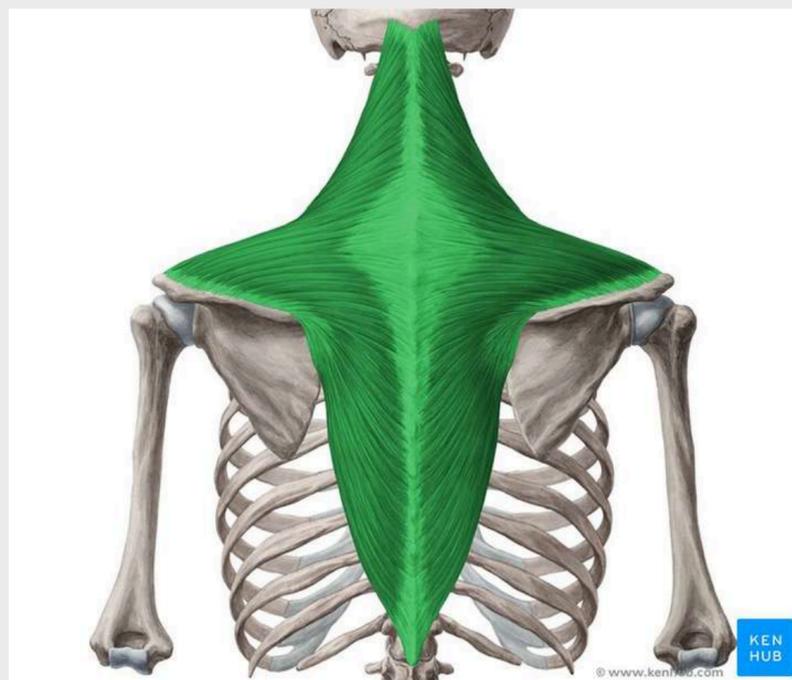
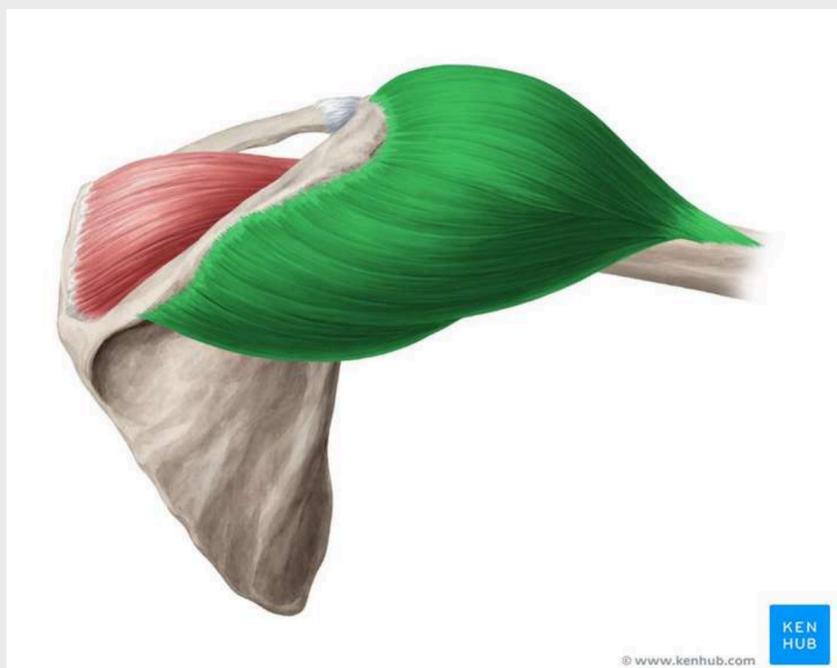
3-Sternoclavicular joint (at medial end of clavicle)(SCJ)

4-Glenohumeral joint



Shoulder

The two most superficial muscles of the shoulder are the deltoid and the trapezius muscle which make its contour, Another group of muscles that is quite important for this region is the rotator cuff muscles. This group consists of 4 muscles



Key facts about the deltoid muscle		Table quiz
Origins	Lateral 1/3 of Clavicle (clavicular part), Acromion (acromial part), Spine of Scapula (spinal part) <i>Mnemonic: 'Deltoid helps you carry SACS'</i>	
Insertion	Deltoid tuberosity of humerus	
Innervation	Axillary nerve (C5, C6)	
Blood supply	Deltoid and acromial branches of thoracoacromial artery, subscapular artery, anterior and posterior circumflex humeral arteries, deltoid branch of deep brachial artery	
Function	<i>Clavicular part:</i> flexion and internal rotation of the arm, <i>Acromial part:</i> abduction of the arm beyond the initial 15° <i>Spinal part:</i> extension and external rotation of the arm.	

Key facts about the serratus anterior muscle		Table quiz
Origin	Superior part: Ribs 1-2, Intercostal fascia Middle part: Ribs 3-6 Inferior part: Ribs 7-8/9 (variably extends to rib 10 (+ external oblique muscle))	
Insertion	Scapula (Superior part: Anterior surface of superior angle Middle part: Anterior surface of medial border Inferior part: Anterior surface of inferior angle and medial border)	
Innervation	Long thoracic nerve (C5- C7) <i>Mnemonics: 'SALT' (stands for serratus anterior - long thoracic) & 'C5, 6, 7 raise your arms to heaven!'</i>	
Blood supply	Superior and lateral thoracic arteries, thoracodorsal artery branches	
Function	<u>Scapulothoracic joint:</u> Draws scapula anterolaterally, Suspends scapula on thoracic wall, Rotates scapula (draws inferiorly angle laterally)	

Key facts about the rotator cuff muscles

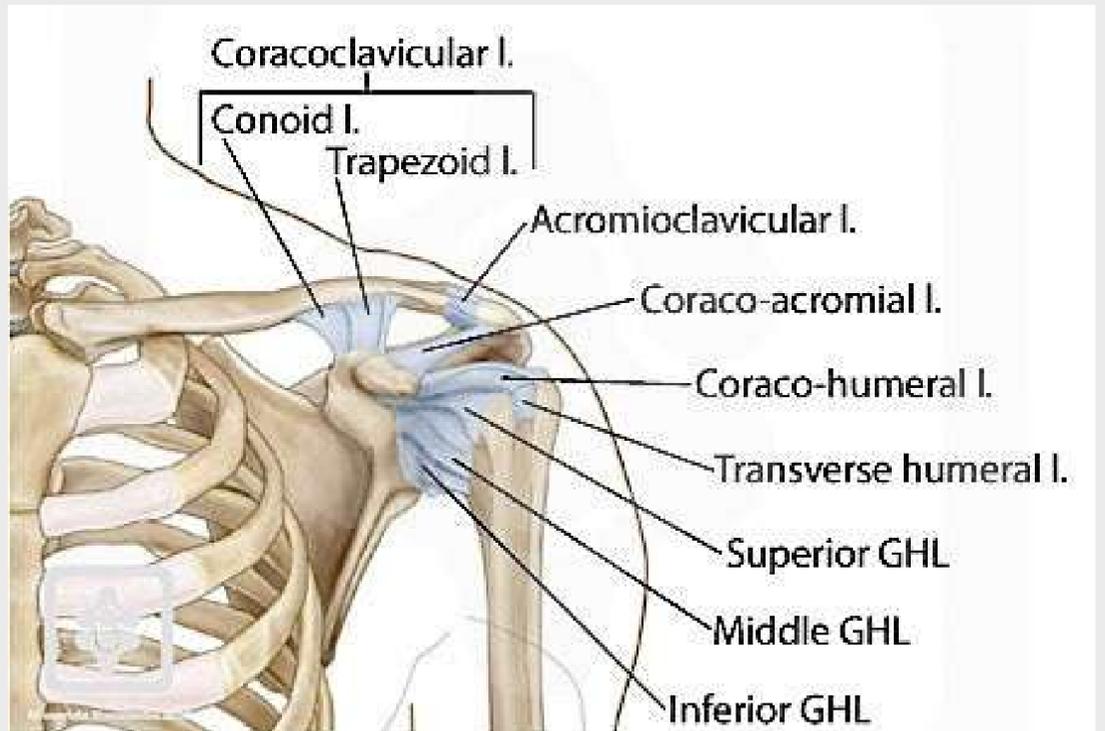
[Table quiz](#)

<p>Supraspinatus muscle</p>	<p>Origin: supraspinous fossa of scapula Insertion: greater tubercle of the humerus Innervation: suprascapular nerve (C5, C6) Function: initiation of abduction of arm to 15° at glenohumeral/shoulder joint, stabilizes humeral head in glenoid cavity</p>
<p>Infraspinatus muscle</p>	<p>Origin: infraspinatus fossa Insertion: greater tubercle of humerus Innervation: suprascapular nerve (C5, C6) Function: external rotation of the arm at glenohumeral/shoulder joint, stabilizes humeral head in glenoid cavity</p>
<p>Teres minor muscle</p>	<p>Origin: lateral border of scapula Insertion: greater tubercle of humerus Innervation: axillary nerve (C5, C6) Function: external rotation of the arm at the glenohumeral/shoulder joint, stabilizes humeral head in glenoid cavity</p>
<p>Subscapularis muscle</p>	<p>Origin: subscapular fossa Insertion: lesser tubercle of humerus Innervation: upper and lower subscapular nerves (C5-C6) Function: internal rotation of the arm at glenohumeral/shoulder joint, stabilizes humeral head in glenoid cavity</p>
<p>Mnemonic</p>	<p>Rotator cuff SITS on the shoulder (Supraspinatus, Infraspinatus, Teres minor, Subscapularis)</p>

Shoulder

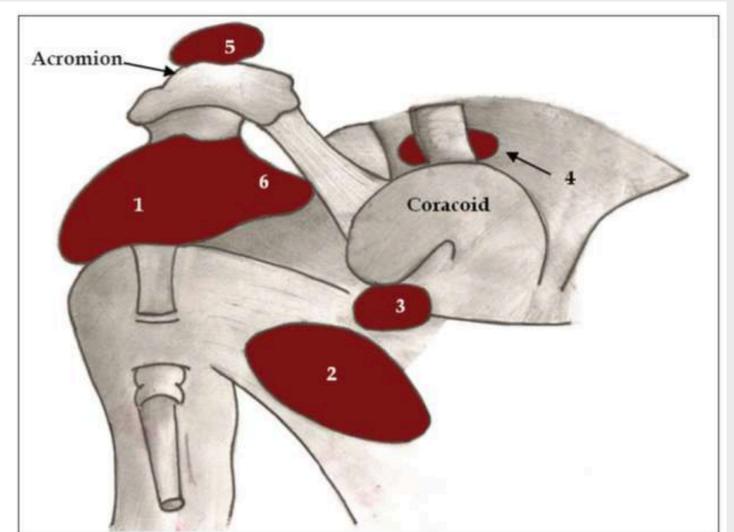
Ligaments

- A) Superior GHL
- B) Middle GHL
- C) Inferior GHL (IGHL)
- D) Coracohumeral
- E) Coracoacromial
- F) Trapezoid
- G) Conoid
- H) Acromioclavicular



Bursae:

- A) Subacromial
- B) Subdeltoid
- C) Subscapular
- D) Subcoracoid



1. Subacromial-subdeltoid bursa
2. Subscapular recess
3. Subcoracoid bursa
4. Coracoclavicular bursa
5. supraacromial bursa.
- 6 medial extension of subacromial-subdeltoid bursa

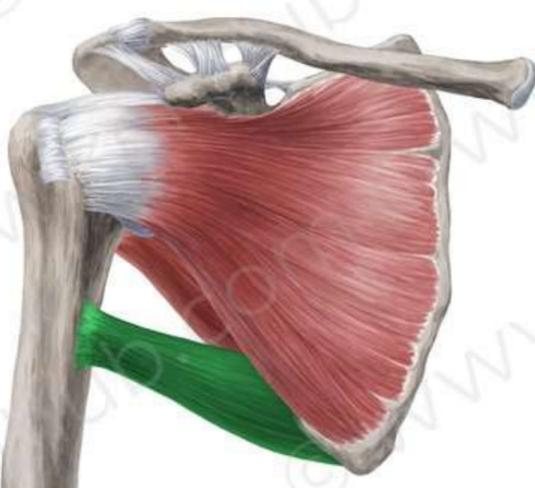
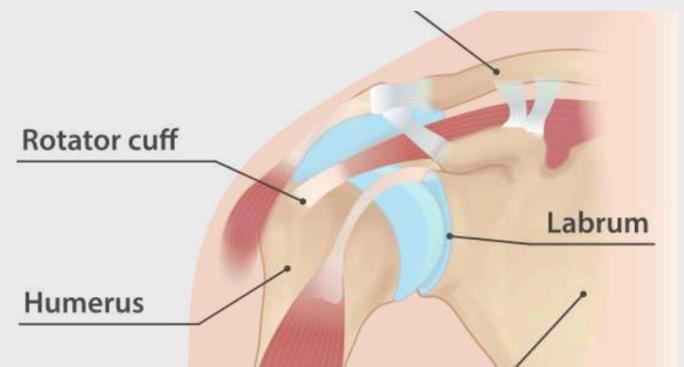
Labrum

a rim of fibrocartilage tissue that surrounds the shoulder socket (glenoid cavity), deepening it to help stabilize the joint

Superior attachment – long head of biceps

Inferior attachment – IGHL

Injuries – Bankart / SLAP



Key facts about the teres major muscle		Table quiz
Origins	Inferior angle and lower part of the lateral border of the scapula	
Insertions	Intertubercular sulcus (medial lip) of the humerus	
Innervation	Lower subscapular nerve (C5-C7)	
Blood supply	Thoracodorsal branch of subscapular artery and posterior circumflex humeral artery	
Function	Extension and internal rotation of the humerus (arm); supports shoulder adduction	

Shoulder

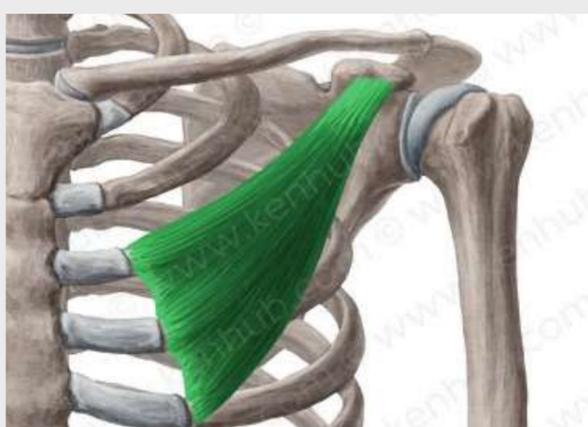
Other muscles



Key facts about the biceps brachii muscle

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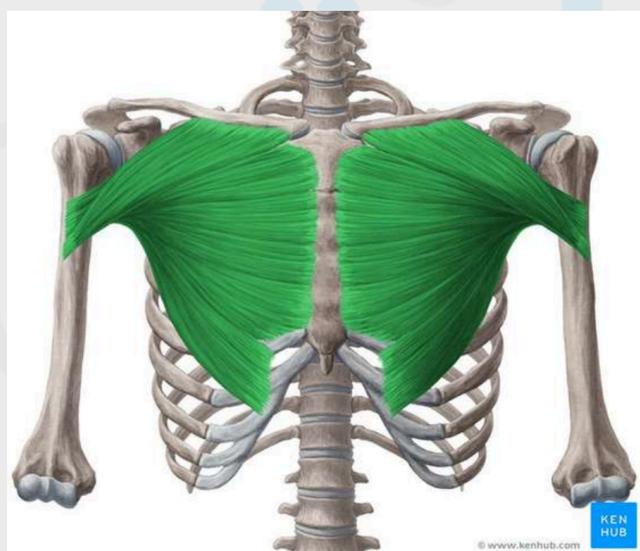
Origin	Short head - Apex of the Coracoid process of the scapula Long head - Supraglenoid tubercle of the scapula <i>Mnemonic: 'You walk Shorter to a street Corner. You ride Longer on a Superhighway'</i>
Insertion	Radial tuberosity of the radius Deep fascia of forearm (insertion of the bicipital aponeurosis)
Innervation	Musculocutaneous nerve (C5- C6)
Blood supply	Branches of brachial artery
Function	Flexion and supination of the forearm at the elbow joint, weak flexor of the arm at the glenohumeral joint



Key facts about the pectoralis minor muscle

[Table quiz](#)

Origin	Anterior surface, costal cartilages of ribs 3-5
Insertion	Medial border and coracoid process of scapula
Innervation	Medial and lateral pectoral nerves (C5-T1)
Blood supply	Thoracoacromial a. (pectoral and deltoid branches), superior thoracic a., lateral thoracic a.
Function	Scapulothoracic joint: draws scapula anteroinferiorly, stabilizes scapula on thoracic wall



Key facts about the pectoralis major muscle

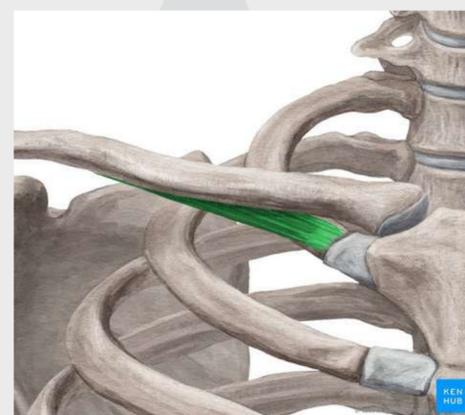
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Origin	Clavicular part: anterior surface of medial half of clavicle Sternocostal part: anterior surface of sternum, Costal cartilages of ribs 1-6 Abdominal part: Anterior layer of rectus sheath
Insertion	Lateral lip of intertubercular sulcus of humerus
Action	Shoulder joint: Arm adduction, Arm internal rotation, Arm flexion (clavicular head), arm extension (sternocostal head); Scapulothoracic joint: Draws scapula anteroinferiorly
Innervation	Lateral and medial pectoral nerves (C5-T1)
Blood supply	Pectoral branches of thoracoacromial artery, perforating branches of internal thoracic artery

Key facts about the subclavius muscle

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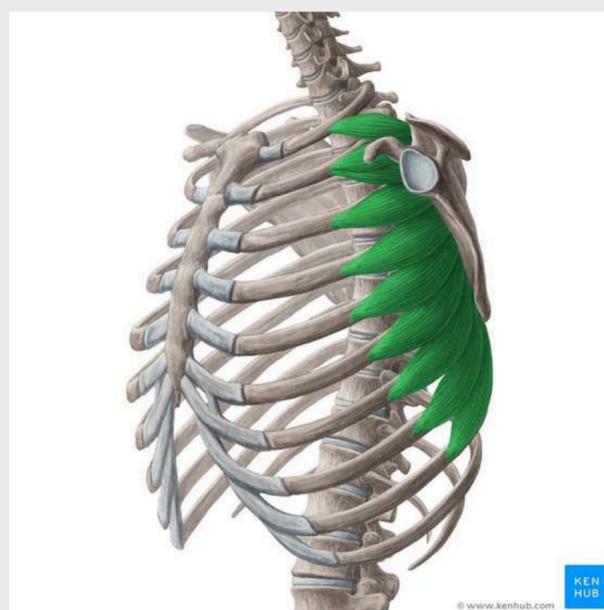
Origin	Costal cartilage, sternal end of rib 1
Insertion	Anteroinferior surface of middle third of clavicle
Innervation	Subclavian nerve (C5-C6)
Blood supply	Clavicular branch of thoracoacromial artery, suprascapular artery
Function	Sternoclavicular joint: Anchors and depresses clavicle



Key facts about the serratus anterior muscle

[Table quiz](#)

Origin	Superior part: Ribs 1-2, Intercostal fascia Middle part: Ribs 3-6 Inferior part: Ribs 7-8/9 (variably extends to rib 10 (+ external oblique muscle))
Insertion	Scapula (Superior part: Anterior surface of superior angle Middle part: Anterior surface of medial border Inferior part: Anterior surface of inferior angle and medial border)
Innervation	Long thoracic nerve (C5- C7) <i>Mnemonics: 'SALT' (stands for serratus anterior - long thoracic) & 'C5, 6, 7 raise your arms to heaven!'</i>
Blood supply	Superior and lateral thoracic arteries, thoracodorsal artery branches
Function	<u>Scapulothoracic joint:</u> Draws scapula anterolaterally, Suspends scapula on thoracic wall, Rotates scapula (draws inferiorly angle laterally)



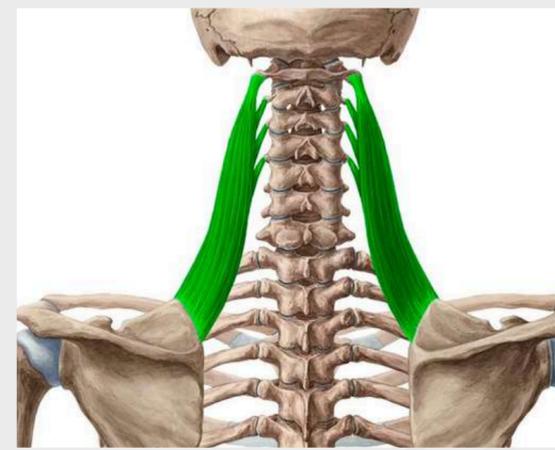
Shoulder

Other muscles

Key facts about the rhomboid muscles

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Origin	Rhomboid minor: Nuchal ligament, Spinous processes of vertebrae C7-T1 Rhomboid major: Spinous process of vertebrae T2-T5
Insertion	Rhomboid minor: Root (medial end) of spine of scapula Rhomboid major: Medial border of scapula (from inferior angle to root of spine of scapula)
Action	Scapulothoracic joint: Draws scapula superomedially, Rotates glenoid cavity inferiorly; Supports position of scapula
Innervation	Dorsal scapular nerve (C4-C5)
Blood supply	Dorsal scapular artery, deep branch of transverse cervical artery, dorsal branch of upper five or six posterior intercostal arteries



Key facts about the levator scapulae muscle

[Table quiz](#)

Origin	Transverse processes of vertebrae C1-C4
Insertion	Medial border of scapula (from superior angle to root of spine of scapula)
Action	Scapulothoracic joint: Draws scapula superomedially, rotates glenoid cavity inferiorly; Cervical joints: Lateral flexion of neck (ipsilateral), extension of the neck
Innervation	Anterior rami of the nerves C3 and C4, dorsal scapular nerve (branch of the C5)
Blood supply	Transverse cervical and ascending cervical arteries (branches of the thyrocervical trunk)

Key facts about the splenius capitis muscle

[Table quiz](#)

Origin

Spinous processes of vertebrae C7-T3, nuchal ligament

Insertion

Lateral superior nuchal line of occipital bone, mastoid process of temporal bone

Action

Bilateral contraction: Extends head/neck

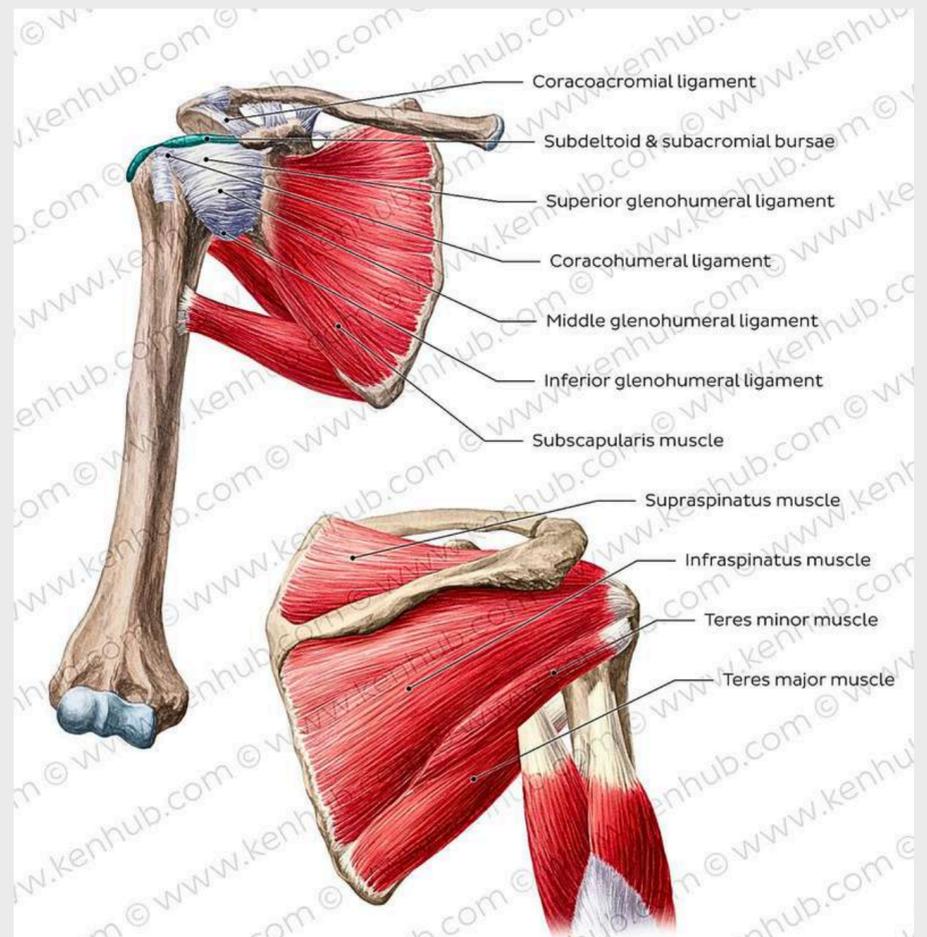
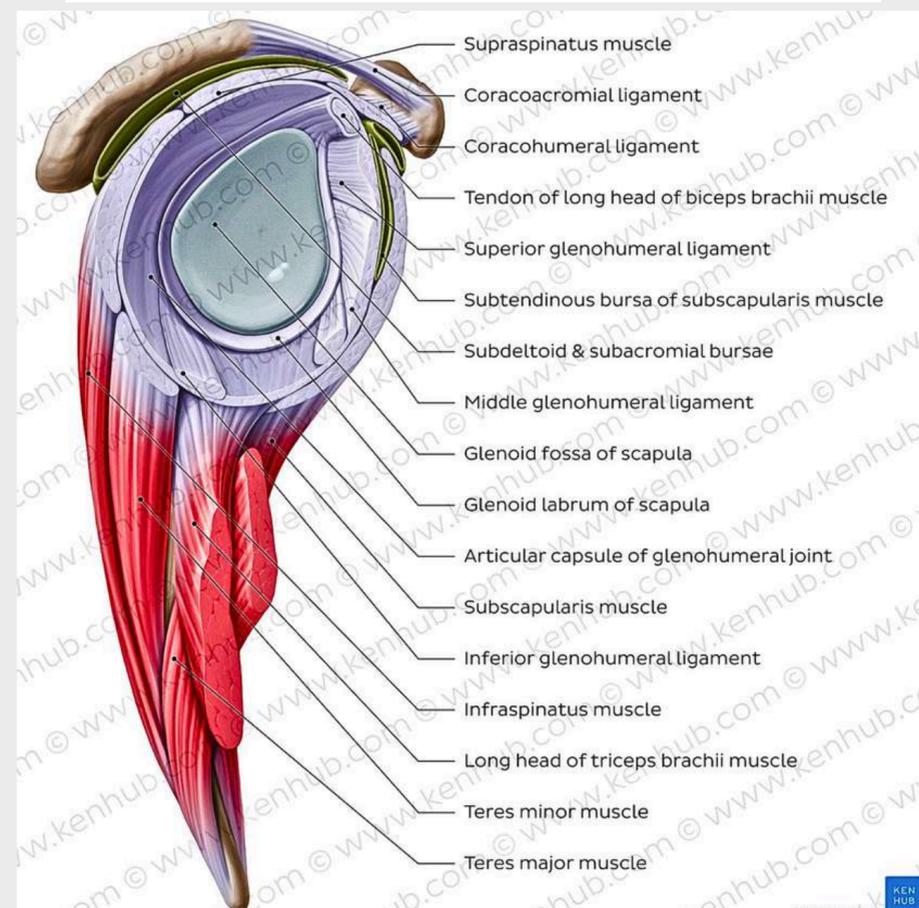
Unilateral contraction: Lateral flexion and rotation of head (ipsilateral)

Innervation

Lateral branches of posterior rami of spinal nerves C2-C3

Blood supply

Muscular branches of occipital artery



Shoulder

Key facts about the acromioclavicular joint

[Table quiz](#)

Type	Synovial plane joint; multiaxial
Articular surfaces	Acromion of scapula, acromial end of clavicle
Ligaments	Intrinsic: Superior acromioclavicular ligament, inferior acromioclavicular ligament Extrinsic: Coracoclavicular ligament (with conoid and trapezoid parts)
Innervation	Lateral pectoral nerve, suprascapular nerve
Blood supply	Thoracoacromial artery, suprascapular artery
Movements	Protraction - retraction Elevation - depression Axial rotation

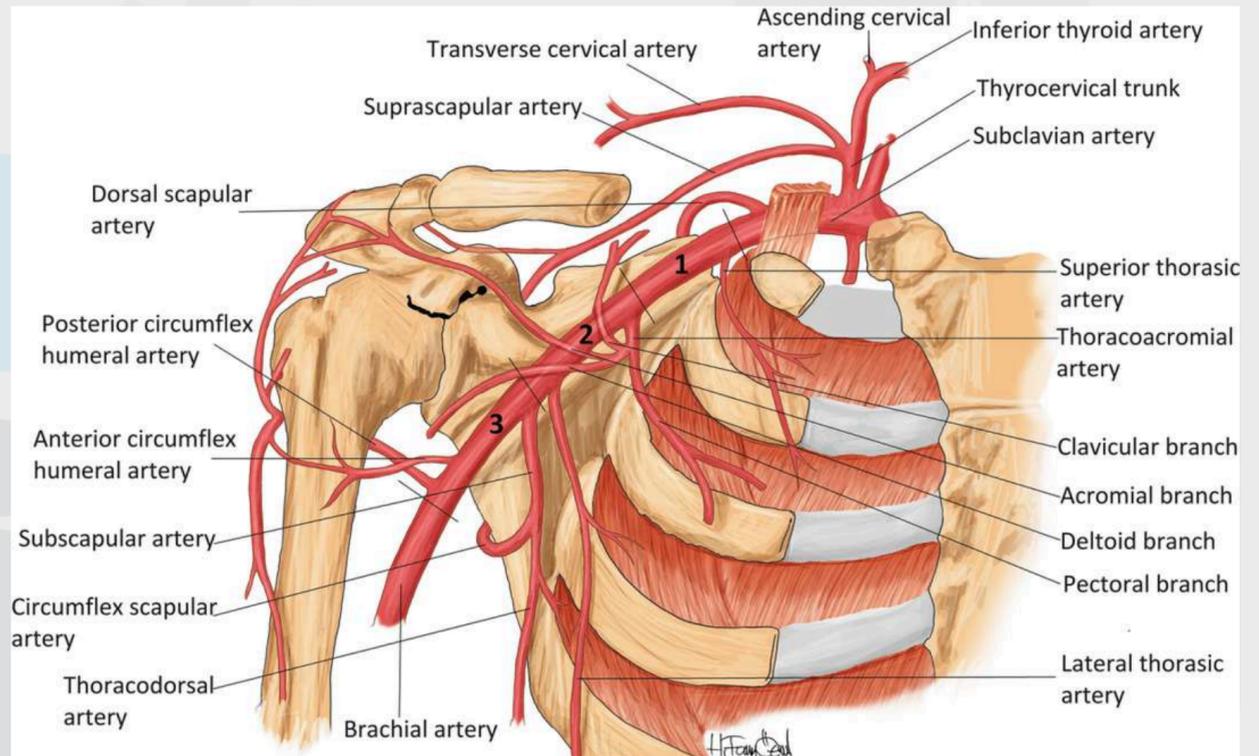


Blood supply of shoulder joint

A) Primarily: **Axillary artery** → **Anterior + Posterior circumflex humeral arteries** (supply humeral head)

B) Additional:

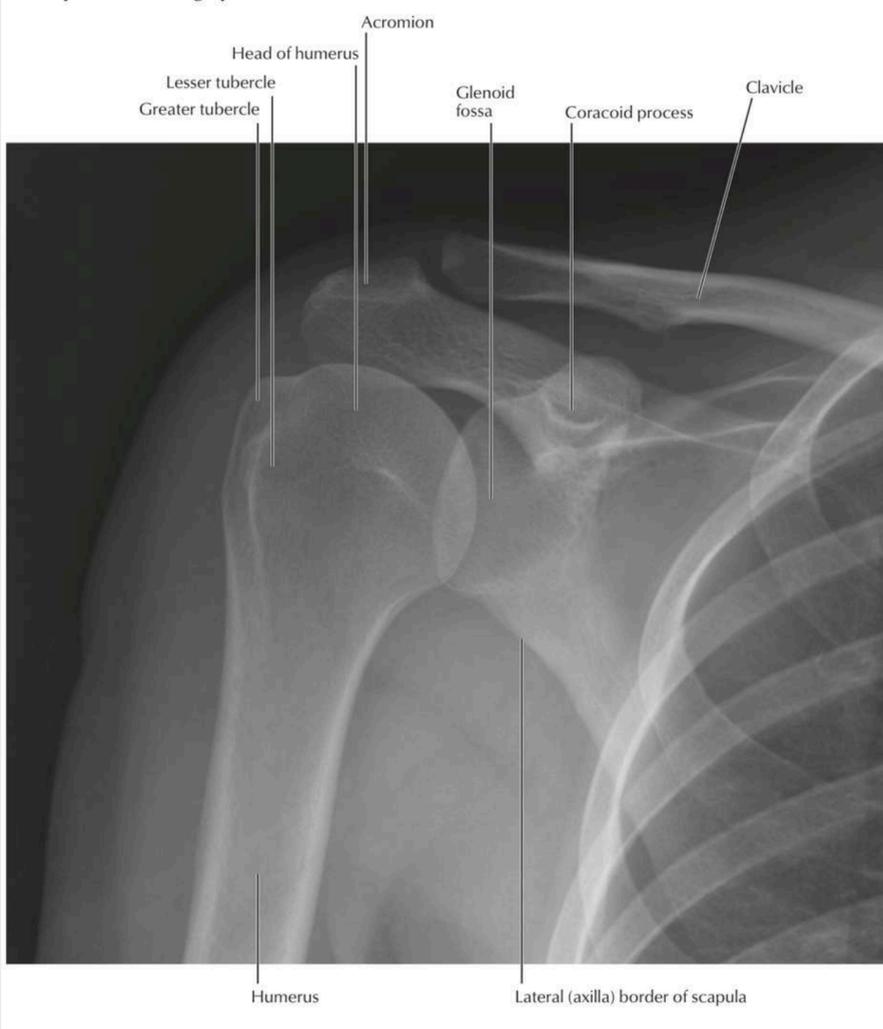
- **Suprascapular artery** (from thyrocervical trunk)
- **Thoracoacromial artery** (branch of axillary)
- **Dorsal scapular artery**



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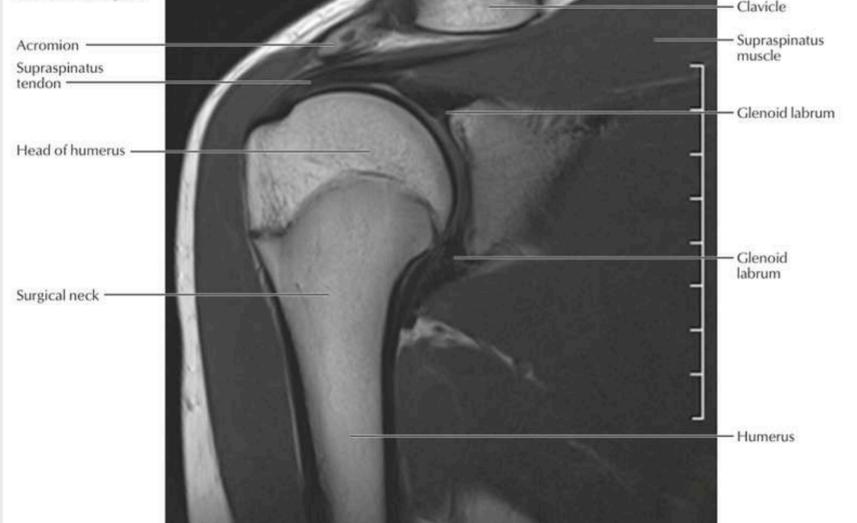
X Ray

Anteroposterior Radiograph of Shoulder



CT and MRI

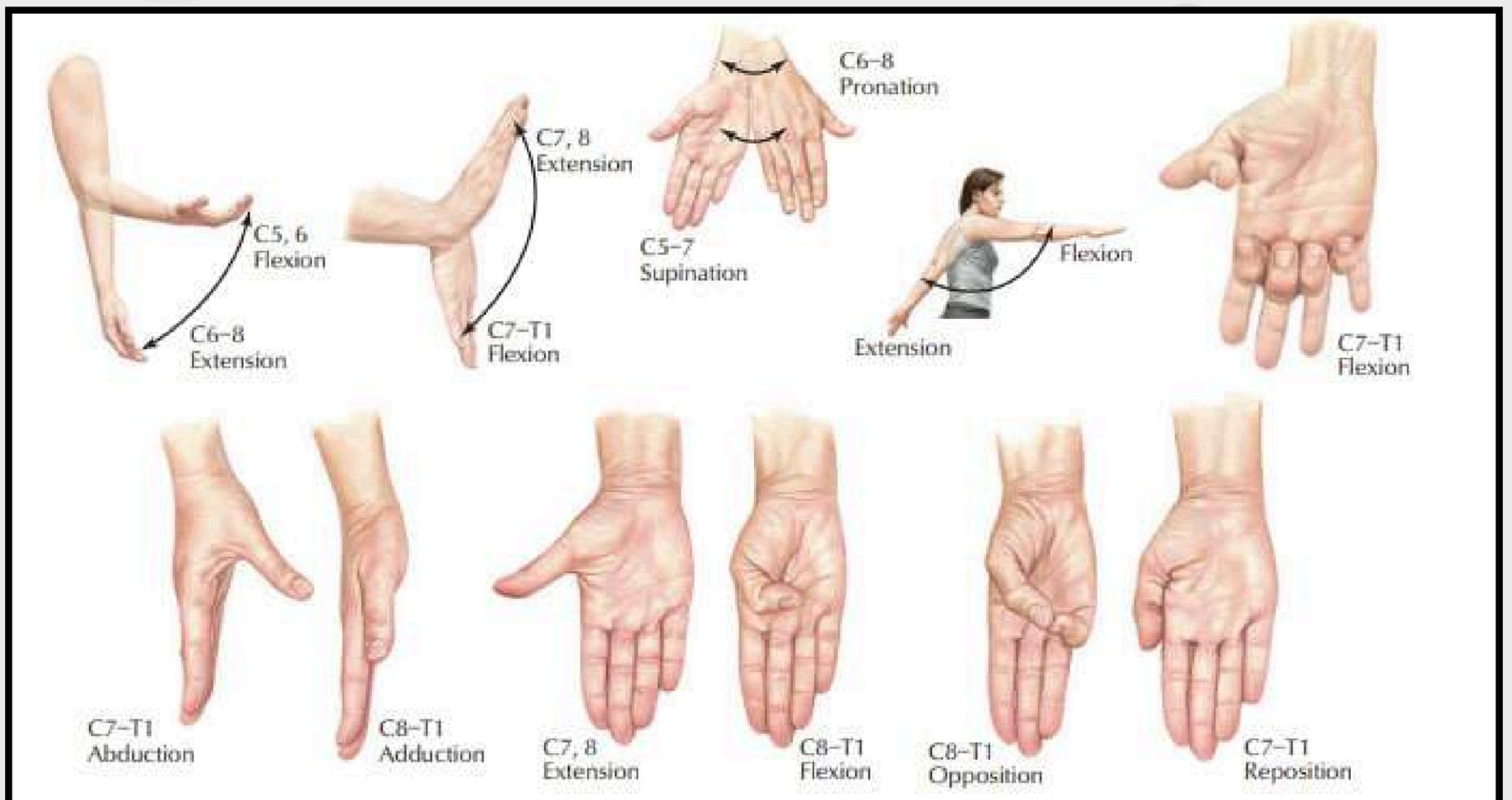
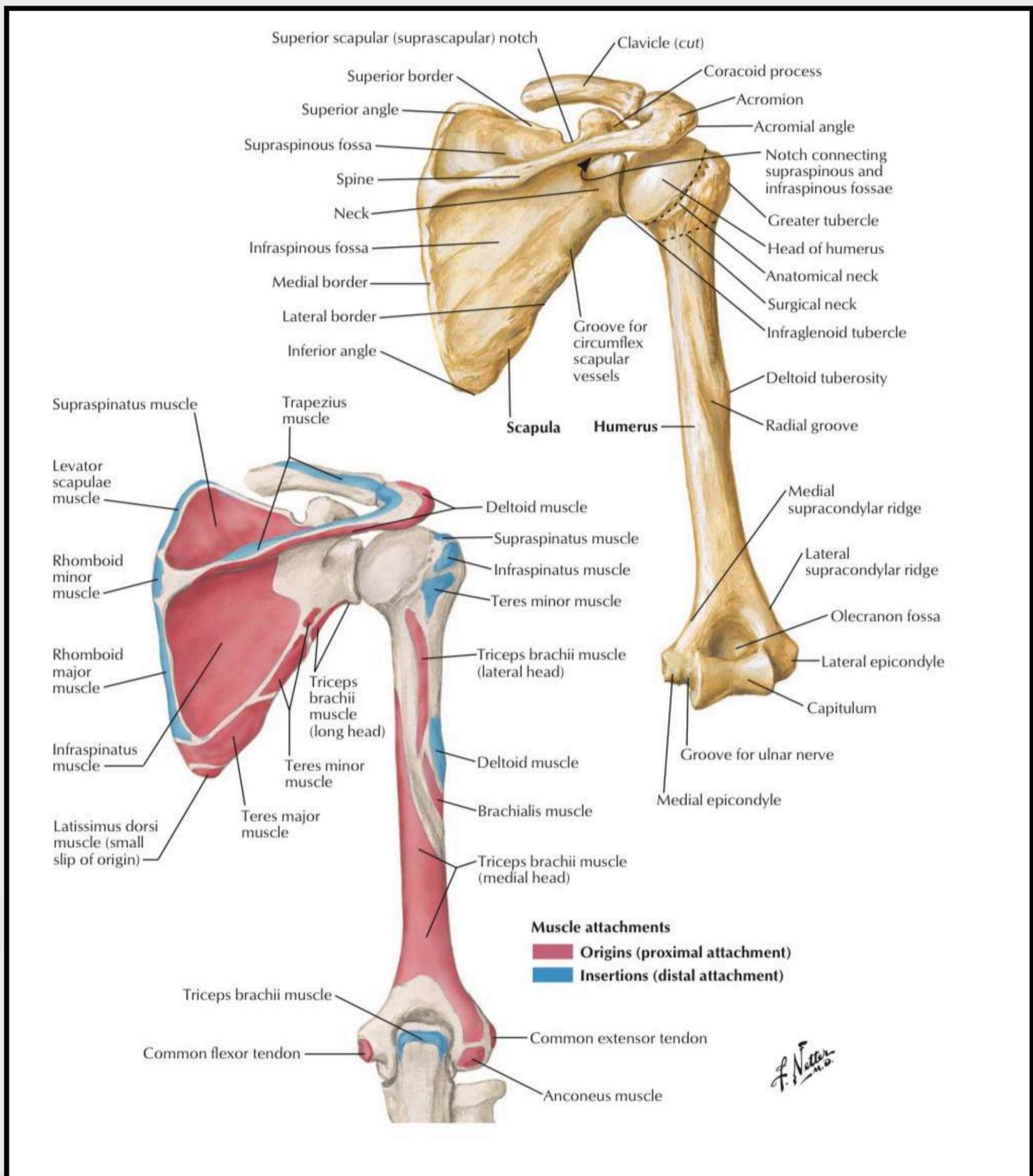
Coronal Proton-Density MRI of Glenohumeral Joint



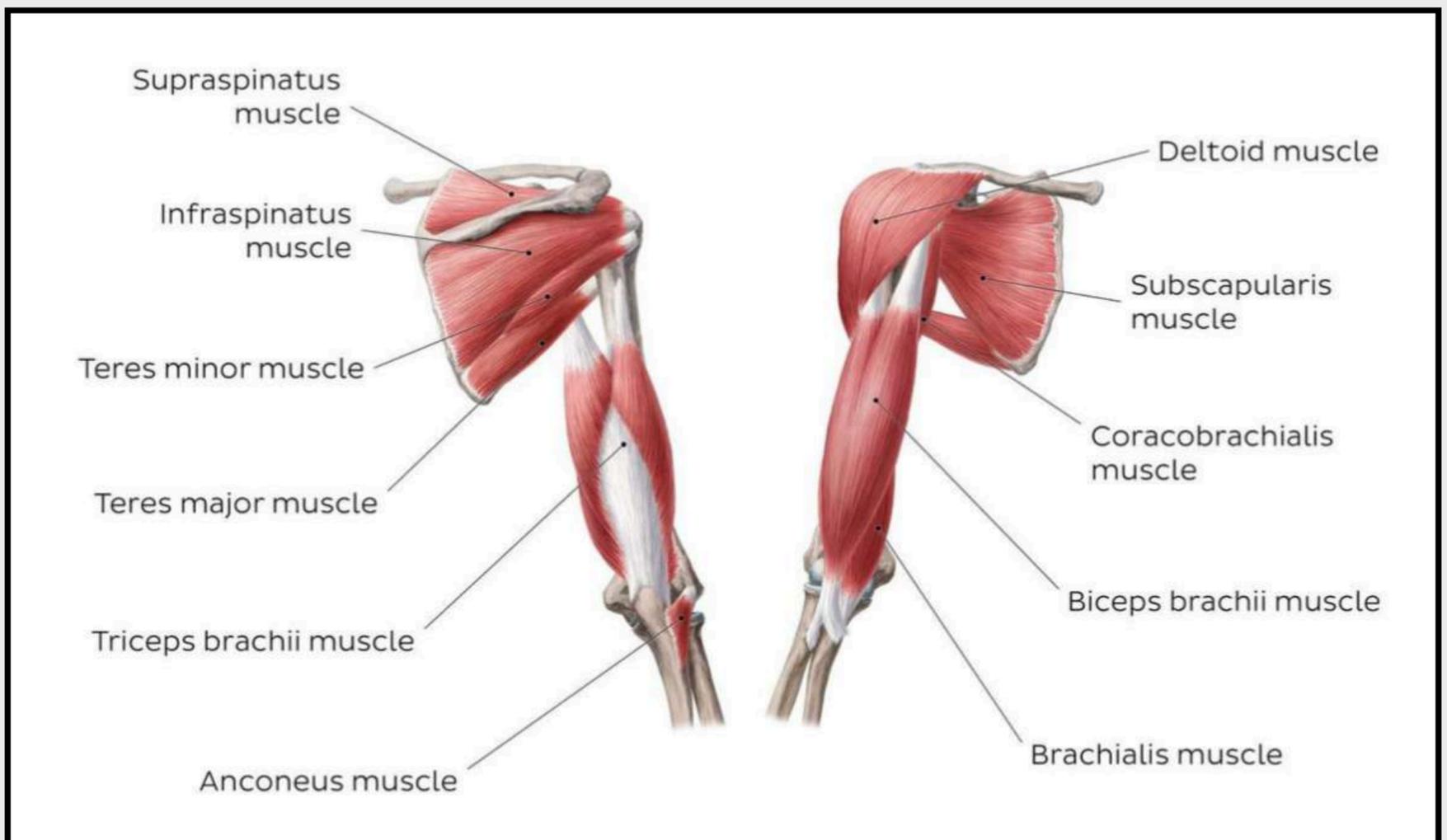
Axial CT Image of Glenohumeral Joint



Upper limb



Upper limb



Other shoulder & arm muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Deltoid	Clavicular part: Lateral third of clavicle Acromial part: Acromion of scapula Spinal part: Spine of scapula	Deltoid tuberosity of humerus	Axillary nerve (C5-C6)	Shoulder joint: Arm flexion, Arm internal rotation (clavicular part), Arm abduction (acromial part), Arm extension, Arm lateral rotation (spinal part)
Teres major	Inferior angle and lower part of lateral border of scapula	Crest of lesser tubercle of humerus (a.k.a. Medial lip of intertubercular sulcus)	Lower subscapular or thoracodorsal nerves (C5- C7)	Shoulder joint: Arm internal rotation, Arm extension, Arm adduction
Coracobrachialis	Coracoid process of scapula	Anteromedial surface of humeral shaft		Shoulder joint: Arm flexion, Arm adduction
Biceps brachii	Long head: Supraglenoid tubercle of scapula Short head: Coracoid process of scapula	Radial tuberosity of radius	Musculocutaneous nerve (C5 - C6)	Elbow joint: Forearm flexion and supination; Shoulder joint: Weak arm flexion
Brachialis	Distal half of anterior surface of humerus	Ulnar tuberosity, Coronoid process of ulna	Musculocutaneous nerve Radial nerve (C5-C7)	Elbow joint: Forearm flexion (in all positions)
Triceps brachii	Long head: Infraglenoid tubercle of scapula Lateral head: Posterior surface of humerus (superior to radial groove) Medial head: Posterior surface of humerus (inferior to radial groove)	Olecranon of ulna and fascia of forearm	Radial nerve (C6 - C8)	Shoulder joint: Arm extension and adduction (long head); Elbow joint: Forearm extension
Anconeus	Lateral epicondyle of humerus	Lateral surface of olecranon	Radial nerve (C7, C8)	Elbow joint: Assists in forearm extension; Stabilization of elbow joint

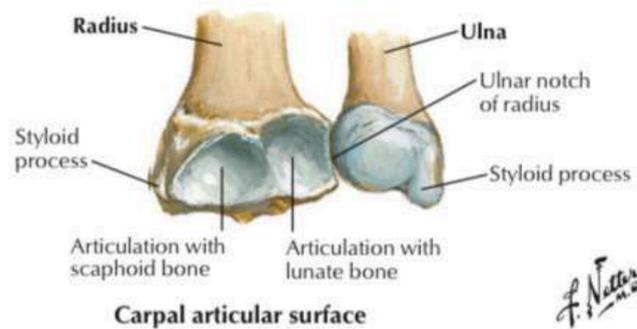
Bones of Forearm

See also [Plate 440](#)

Right radius and ulna in supination: anterior view



Right radius and ulna in pronation: anterior view



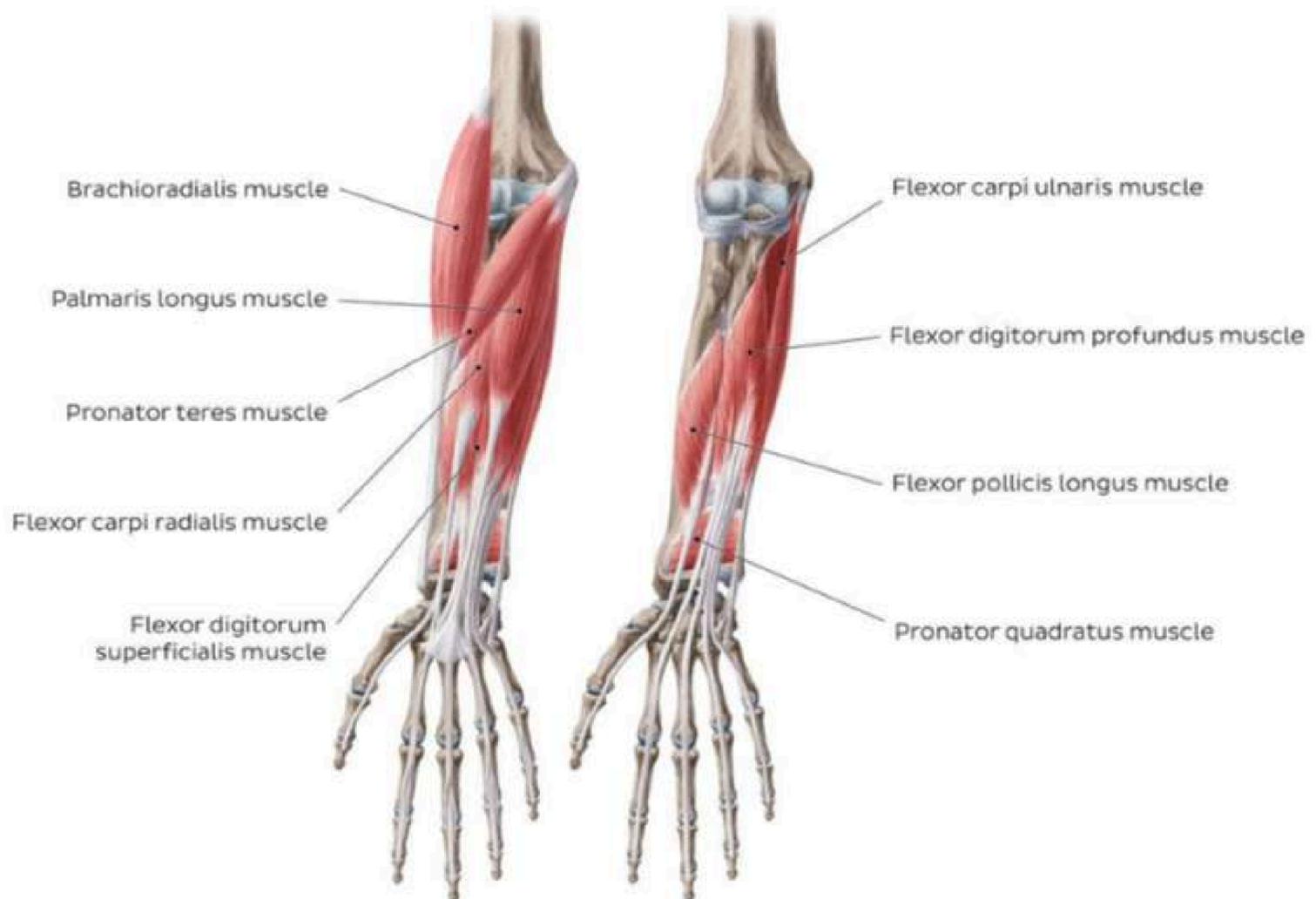
Carpal articular surface



Coronal section of radius demonstrates how thickness of cortical bone of body of radius diminishes to thin layer over cancellous bone at distal end

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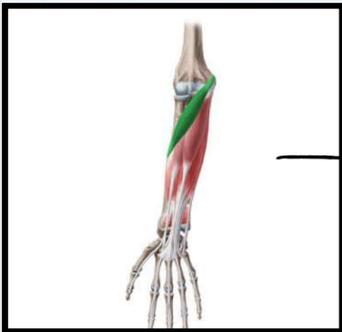
Forearm muscles



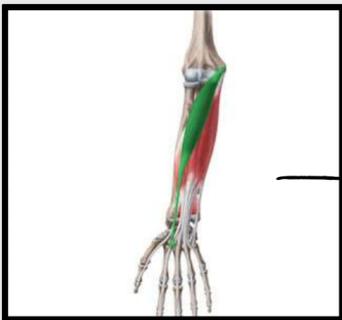
Anterior compartment	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function	
Superficial group	Pronator teres	Humeral head: Medial supracondylar ridge of humerus Ulnar head: Coronoid process of ulna	Lateral surface of radius (distal to supinator)	Median nerve (C6, C7)	Elbow joint: Forearm flexion; Proximal radioulnar joint: Forearm pronation
	Flexor carpi radialis	Medial epicondyle of humerus	Bases of metacarpal bones 2-3		Wrist joint: Wrist flexion, Wrist abduction
	Flexor carpi ulnaris	Medial epicondyle of humerus, Olecranon and posterior border of ulna	Pisiform bone, Hamate bone, Base of metacarpal bone 5	Ulnar nerve (C7-T1)	Wrist joint: Wrist flexion, Wrist adduction
	Palmaris longus	Medial epicondyle of humerus	Flexor retinaculum, Palmar aponeurosis	Median nerve (C7, C8)	Wrist joint: Wrist flexion; Tenses palmar aponeurosis
	Flexor digitorum superficialis	Humeroulnar head: Medial epicondyle of humerus, Coronoid process of ulna Radial head: Proximal half of anterior border of radius	Sides of middle phalanges of digits 2-5	Median nerve (C8, T1)	Metacarpophalangeal and proximal interphalangeal joints 2-5: Finger flexion
Deep group	Flexor digitorum profundus	Proximal half of anterior surface of ulna, Interosseous membrane	Palmar surfaces of distal phalanges of digits 2-5	Digits 2-3: Median nerve (anterior interosseous nerve); Digits 4-5: Ulnar nerve (C8, T1)	Metacarpophalangeal and interphalangeal joints 2-5: Finger flexion
	Flexor pollicis longus	Anterior surface of radius and interosseous membrane	Palmar surface of distal phalanx of thumb	Median nerve (anterior interosseous nerve) (C7, C8)	Metacarpophalangeal and interphalangeal joint 1: Thumb flexion
	Pronator quadratus	Distal anterior surface of ulna	Distal anterior surface of radius		Proximal radioulnar joint: Forearm pronation

Superficial group

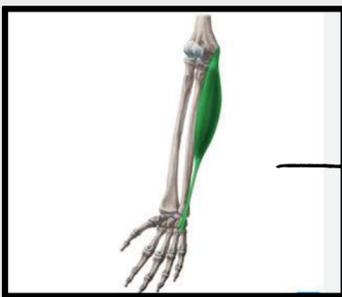
Deep group



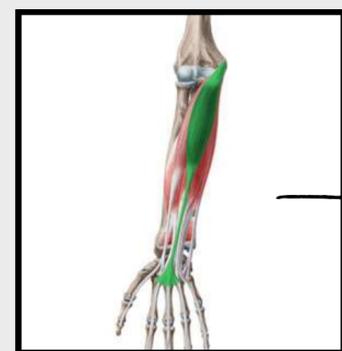
→ *Pronator teres* : Anterior Ulnar recurrent artery



→ *flexor carpi radialis* : Radial artery



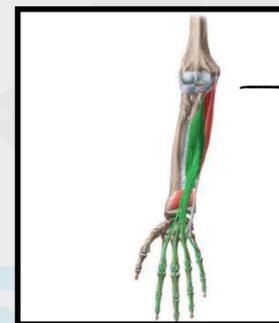
→ *Flexor carpi ulnaris* : posterior Ulnar recurrent artery



→ *palmaris longus* : posterior Ulnar recurrent artery



→ *Flexor digitorum superficialis* : Anterior interosseous, muscular branch of ulnar artery



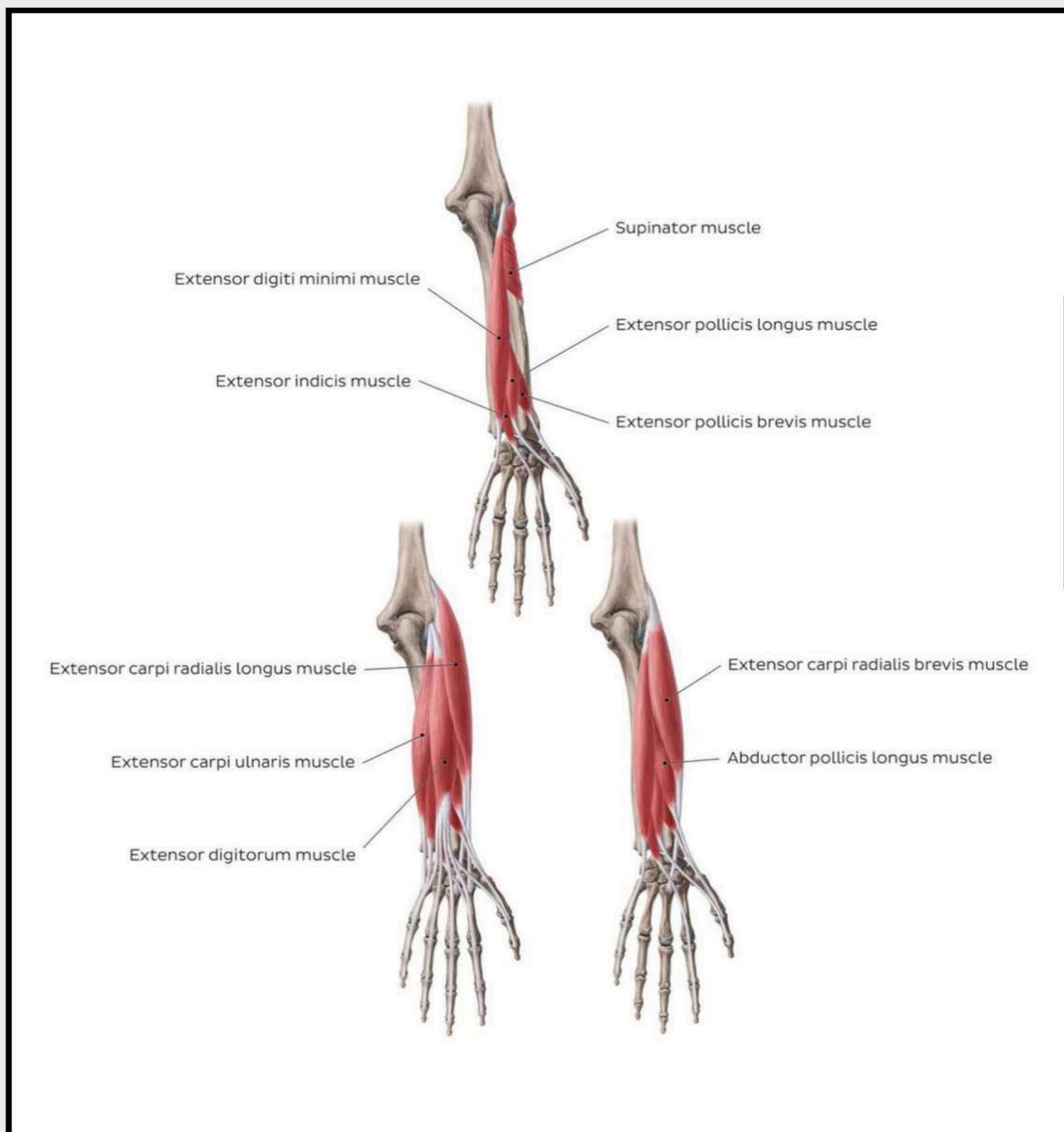
Flexor digitorum profundus: anterior interosseous artery and branches of the ulnar artery



flexor pollicis longus : Medial part: anterior interosseous artery (ulnar artery); lateral part: radial artery



Pronator quadratus : Anterior interosseous artery



Posterior compartment muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Radial group	Lateral supracondylar ridge of humerus, Lateral intermuscular septum of arm	(Proximal to) Styloid process of radius	Radial Nerve (C5- C8)	Elbow joint: Forearm flexion (when semi pronated)
		Posterior aspect of base of metacarpal bone 2		Wrist joints: Hand extension, Hand abduction (radial deviation)
		Posterior aspect of base of metacarpal bone 3		
Superficial group	Lateral epicondyle of humerus (common extensor tendon)	Extensor expansions of digits 2-5	Posterior interosseous nerve (C7, C8)	Metacarpophalangeal / Interphalangeal joints 2-5: Finger extension
		Extensor expansion of digit 5		Metacarpophalangeal joint 5: Finger extension
	Lateral epicondyle of humerus, Posterior border of the ulna	Base of metacarpal bone 5		Wrist joint: Hand extension and adduction
Deep group	Lateral epicondyle of humerus, Radial collateral ligament, Anular ligament, Supinator crest of ulna	Lateral, posterior, and anterior surfaces of proximal third of radius	Posterior interosseous nerve (C7, C8)	Proximal radioulnar joint: Forearm supination
	Posterior surface of proximal half of radius, ulna and interosseus membrane	Base of metacarpal bone 1, (Trapezium Bone)		Radiocarpal joint: Hand abduction (radial deviation); Carpometacarpal joint of thumb: Thumb abduction and extension
	Posterior surface of middle third of ulna and interosseus membrane	Posterior aspect of base of distal phalanx of thumb		Wrist joints: Weak hand extension Metacarpophalangeal and interphalangeal joint of thumb: Thumb extension
	Posterior surface of distal third of radius and interosseus membrane	Posterior aspect of base of proximal phalanx of thumb		Carpometacarpal and Metacarpophalangeal joint 1: Thumb extension
	Posterior surface of distal third of ulna and interosseus membrane	Extensor expansion of index finger		Wrist joints: Weak hand extension Metacarpophalangeal and interphalangeal joints of index finger: Finger extension

Radial group



Brachioradialis

Blood supply :Radial artery, radial recurrent arteries, radial collateral artery



Extensor carpi radialis longus

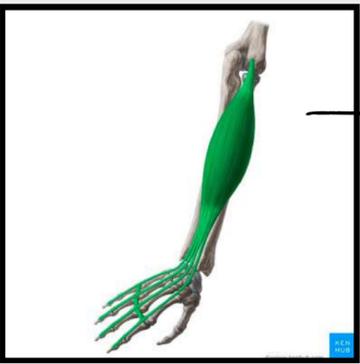
Blood supply :Radial artery, radial recurrent arteries, radial collateral artery



Extensor carpi radialis brevis

Blood supply :Radial recurrent artery, radial artery, deep brachial artery

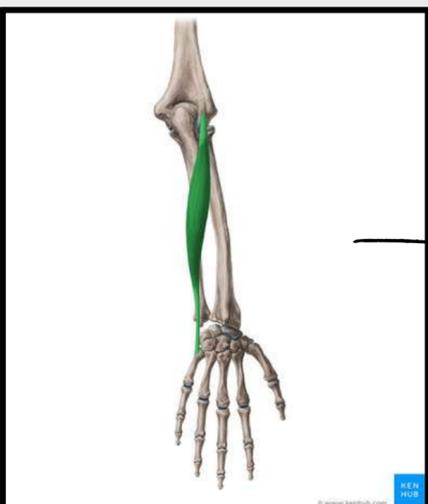
Superficial group



Extensor digitorum
 ,Posterior interosseous artery
 ,radial recurrent artery
 : anterior interosseous artery

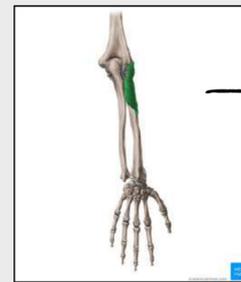


Extensor digiti minimi
 ,Radial recurrent artery, anterior interosseous artery
 posterior interosseous artery



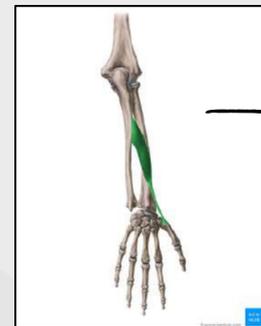
Extensor carpi ulnaris
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 posterior interosseous artery

Deep group



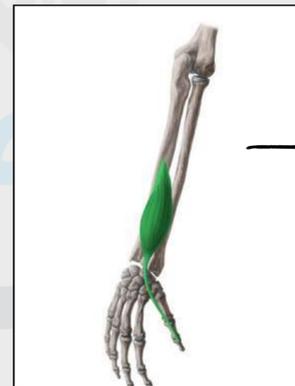
Supinator

,Radial recurrent artery
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 posterior interosseous recurrent artery



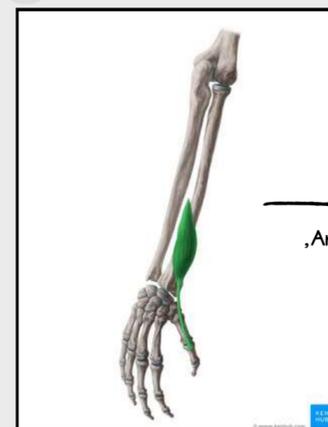
Abductor pollicis longus

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 posterior interosseous artery



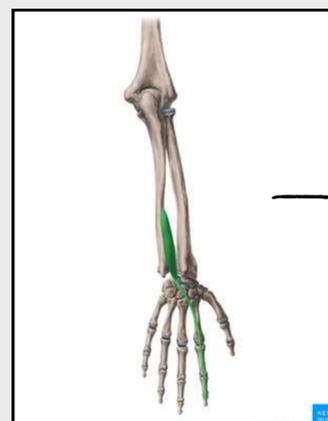
Extensor pollicis longus

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 posterior interosseous artery



Extensor pollicis brevis

,Anterior interosseous artery
 posterior interosseous artery



Extensor indicis

Posterior
 and anterior
 interosseous artery

Elbow

Key points about the elbow joint		Table quiz
Bones	Humerus, radius, ulna	
Joints	Humeroulnar joint, humeroradial joint, proximal radioulnar joint	
Ligaments	Ulnar collateral ligament, radial collateral ligament, annular ligament of radius	
Movements	Flexion, extension, supination, pronation	

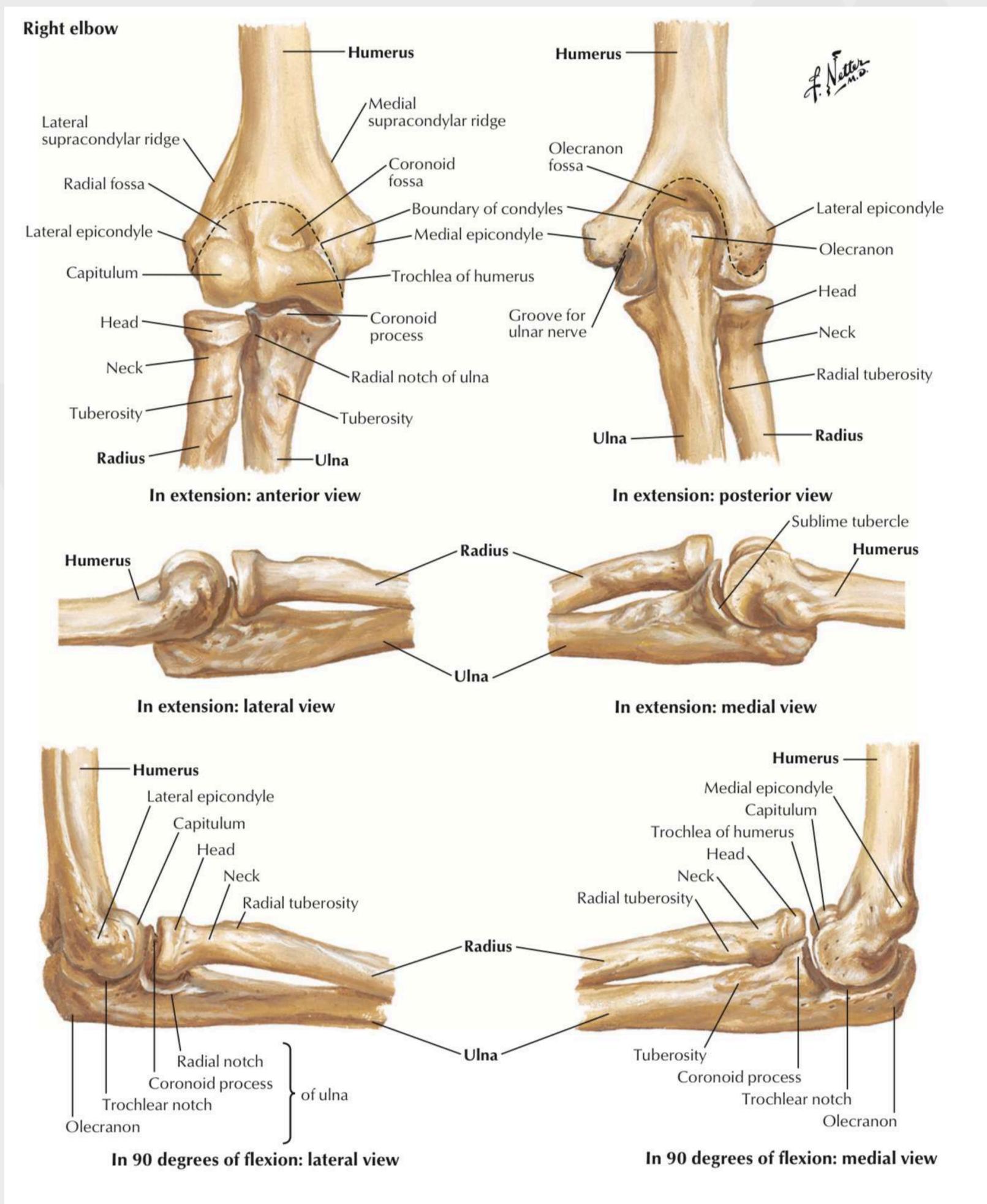


Composed of 3 joints:

1-Joint between the trochlea (humeral) and the ulnar notch

2-Joint between the capitulum (humeral) and head of the radius.

3-Proximal radioulnar joint which controls the pronation/supination movements and has the attachments of the annular ligaments.



Elbow

Muscles of the Elbow

Elbow flexion (bending)

- **Biceps brachii**: musculocutaneous nerve
- **Brachialis** musculocutaneous
- **Brachioradialis** radial nerve

Pronation

- **Pronator teres** median nerve
- **Pronator quadratus** anterior interosseous nerve

Elbow extension (straightening)

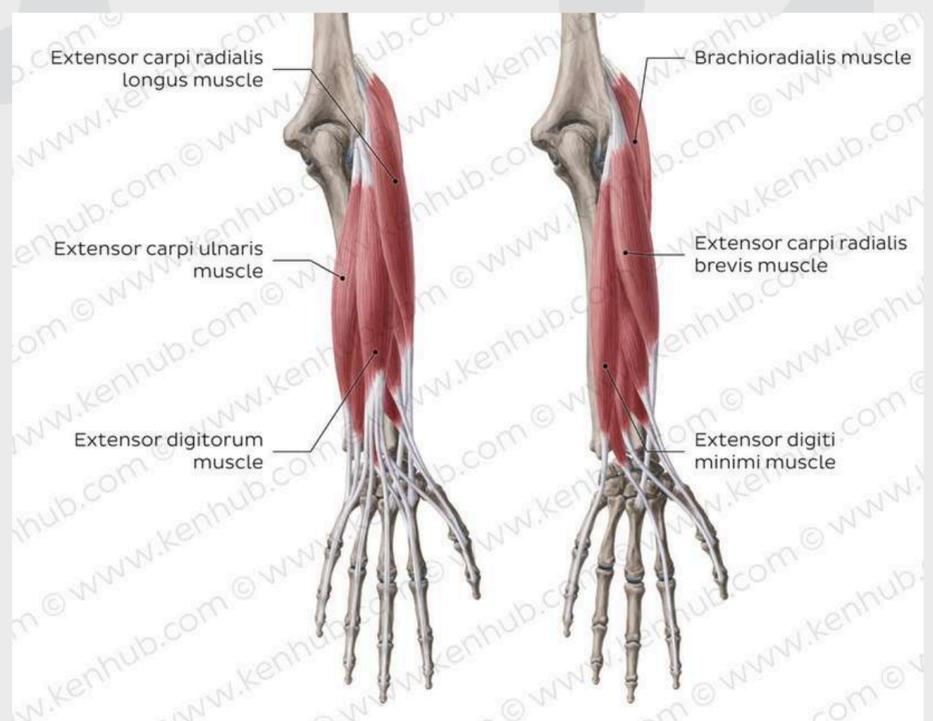
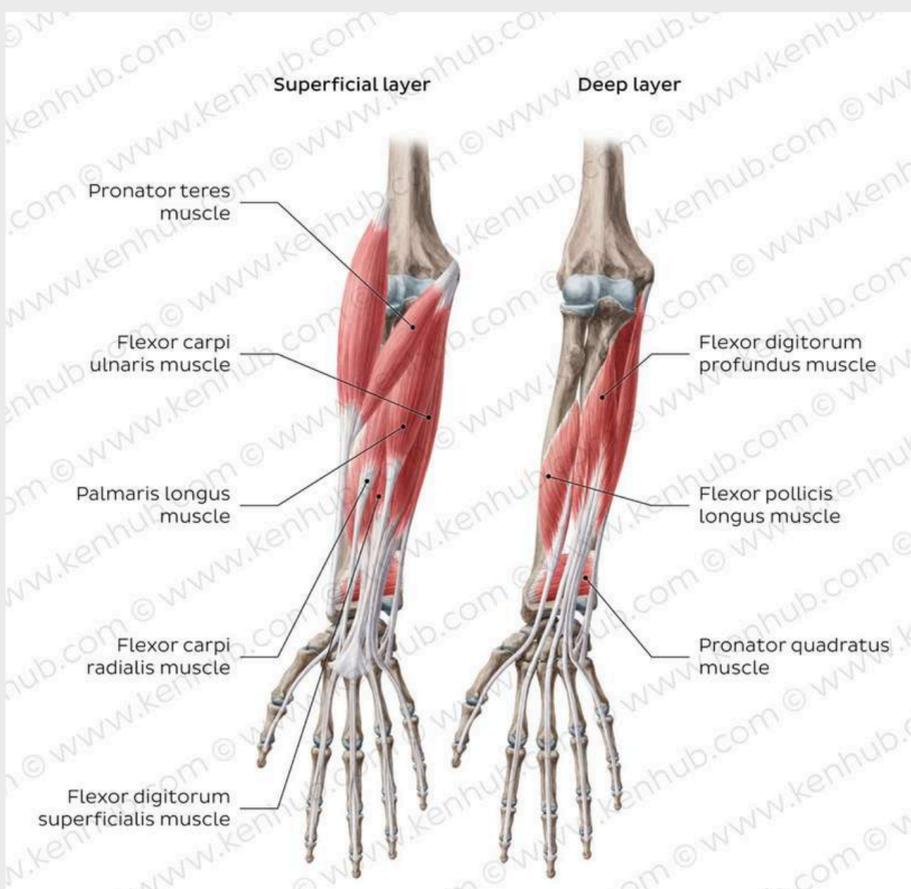
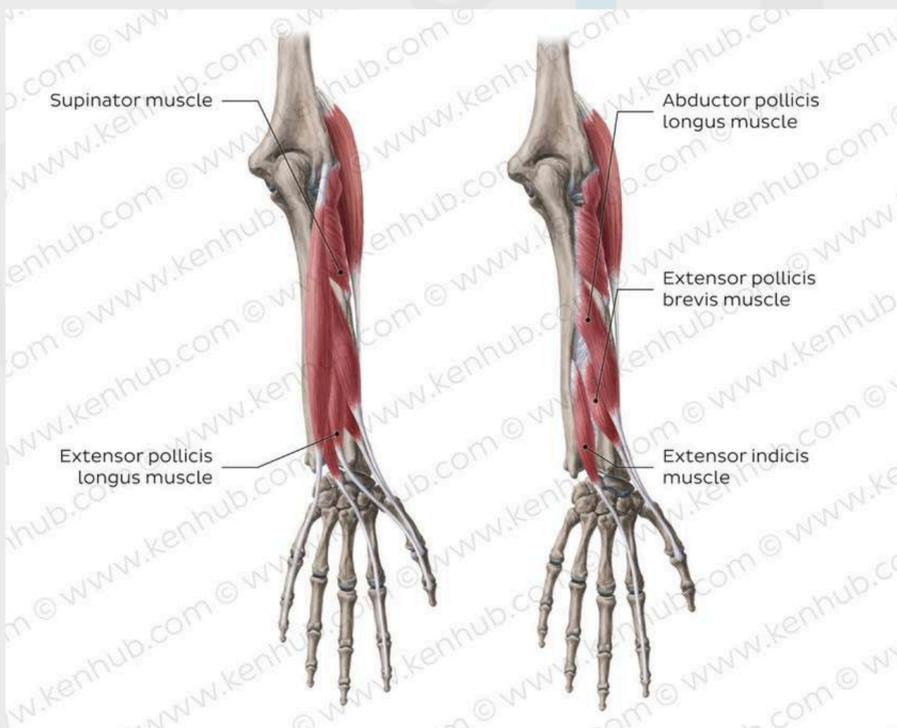
- **Triceps brachii** radial nerve
- **Anconeus** radial nerve

Supination

- **Supinator** Deep branch of Radial / Posterior interosseous nerve
- **Biceps brachii** Musculocutaneous nerve

Additional (crossing the elbow)

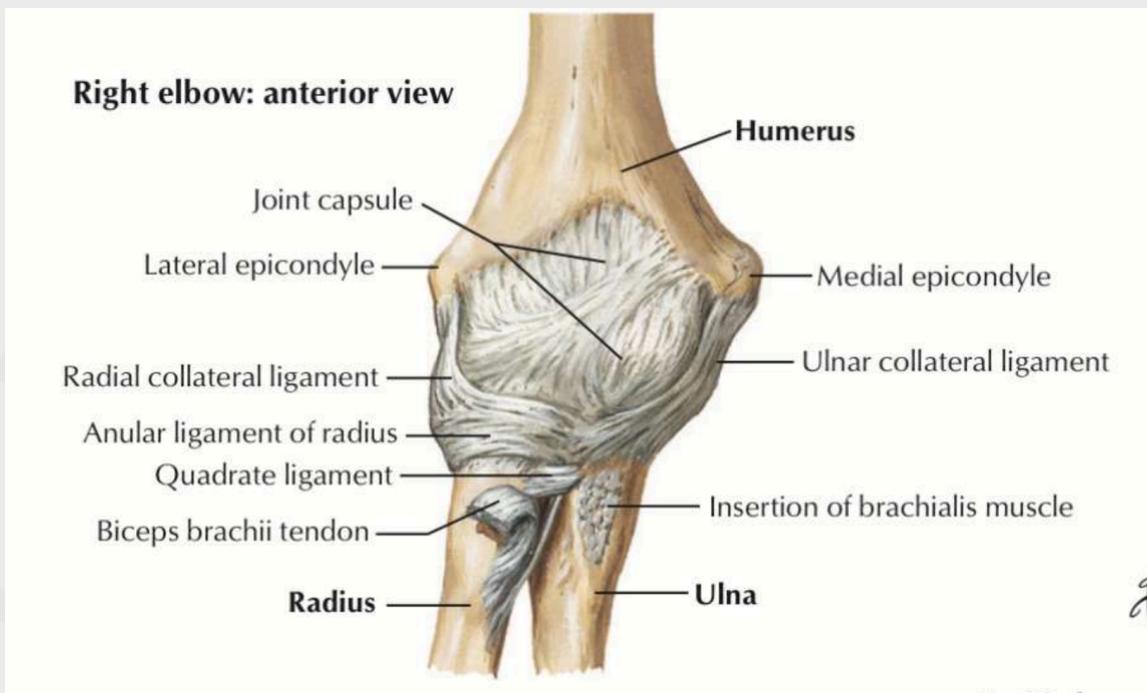
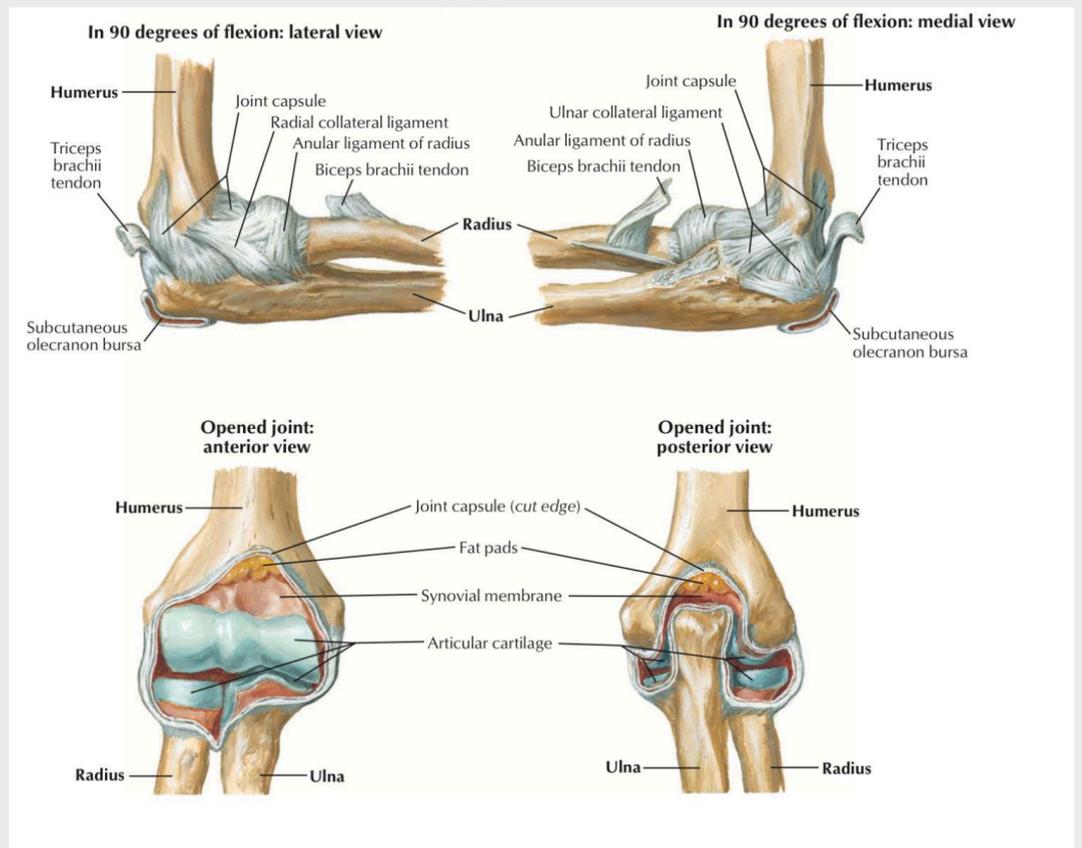
- **Flexor carpi radialis** → Median nerve
- **Flexor carpi ulnaris** → Ulnar nerve
- **Palmaris longus** → Median nerve
- **Flexor digitorum superficialis** → Median nerve
- **Extensor carpi radialis longus** → Radial nerve
- **Extensor carpi radialis brevis** → Deep branch of radial nerve / Posterior interosseous nerve
- **Extensor carpi ulnaris** → Posterior interosseous nerve



Elbow

There are three main ligaments that support the elbow joint:

- the ulnar collateral ligament
- radial collateral ligament
- anular ligament

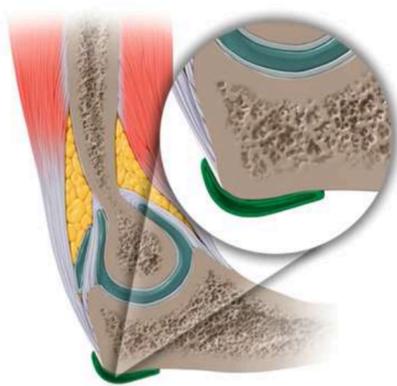


Fat pad of the elbow



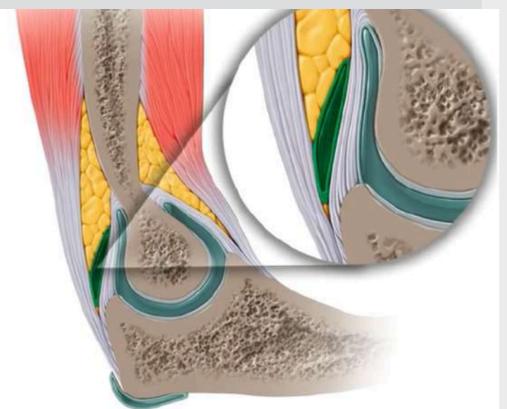
Elbow joint

Synovial bursae:
Olecranon bursa
Latin
Bursa olecrani

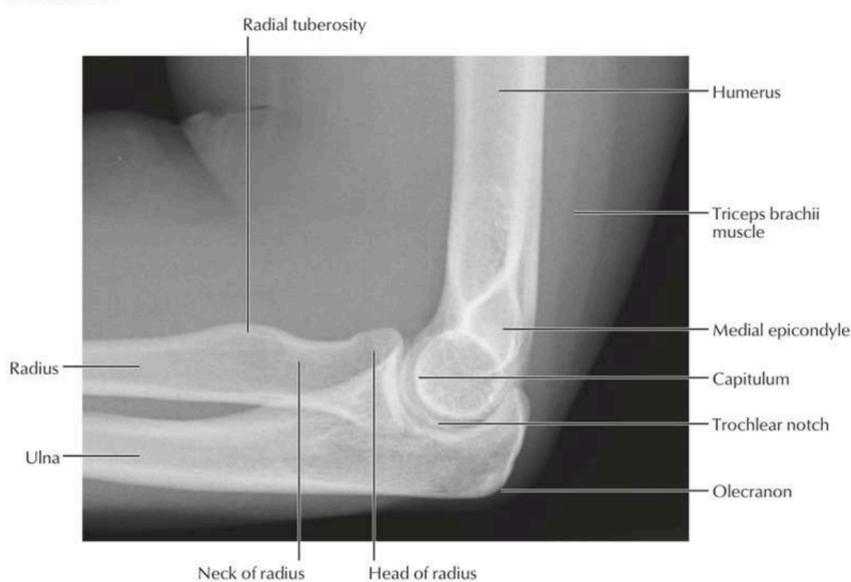


Synovial bursae:

Subtendinous bursa of triceps brachii
Latin
Bursa subtendinea musculi tricipitis brachii



Lateral view



Anteroposterior view



cubital fossa

The anterior of the elbow is called the cubital fossa, in which, besides the joint, are found important nerves and vessels intended for the supply of both the forearm and hand

Lateral border

Medial border of the brachioradialis muscle.



Floor

Brachialis
Supinator muscles



Medial border

Lateral border of the pronator teres muscle.



Superior border

Between the epicondyles of the humerus.



Definition	The cubital fossa is a triangularly-shaped area situated on most proximal part of the ventral surface of forearm
Boundaries	<p>Superior border: Imaginary line joining the epicondyles of the humerus</p> <p>Medial border: pronator teres muscle</p> <p>Lateral border: brachioradialis muscle</p> <p>Apex: pronator teres and brachioradialis muscles</p> <p>Roof: skin, fascia of forearm, bicipital aponeurosis</p> <p>Floor: brachialis muscle, supinator muscle</p>
Contents	<p>Median nerve, Brachial artery, Tendon of biceps brachii, Radial nerve</p> <p><i>Mnemonic: My Blood Turns Red</i></p>
Clinical points	Venipuncture, blood pressure measurements

Contents (lateral → medial):

- Radial nerve (divides into superficial & deep branches)
- Biceps tendon
- Brachial artery (with bifurcation to radial & ulnar)
- Median nerve

Clinical relevance:

- Site for venepuncture (median cubital vein overlying)
- Biceps reflex testing
- Access for arterial blood sampling

Wrist

The wrist complex is a complicated structure and is mainly made up of:

- the wrist joint (radiocarpal joint)
- the midcarpal joint

(The wrist has two degrees of freedom^[11], although some say three degrees of freedom because they include the movements of pronation and supination^[8], which occur at the the radioulnar joint.)

✓Radiocarpal joint

The radiocarpal joint is a synovial joint formed between the radius, its articular disc and three proximal carpal bones; the scaphoid, lunate and triquetral bones.



Key facts about the radiocarpal joint

[Table quiz](#)

Type	Synovial ellipsoid joint;
Articular surfaces	Proximal component - distal end of radius, articular disc Distal component - scaphoid, lunate and triquetral of the proximal row of carpal bones (also includes triangular fibrocartilage complex)
Ligaments	Palmar radiocarpal joint, dorsal radiocarpal ligament, ulnar collateral ligament, radial collateral ligament
Innervation	Anterior interosseous nerve arising from median nerve (C5-T1) Posterior interosseous nerve arising from radial nerve (C7-C8) Deep and dorsal branches of the ulnar nerve (C8-T1)
Blood supply	Branches of the dorsal and palmar carpal arches
Movements	Flexion, extension, adduction and abduction

✓Midcarpal joint

The midcarpal joint allows augmentation of the movements at the wrist joint when it has reached its limit. These movements include flexion, extension, abduction and adduction of the wrist (movements that occur at both the wrist and midcarpal joint take place at the same time).

Key facts about the midcarpal joint

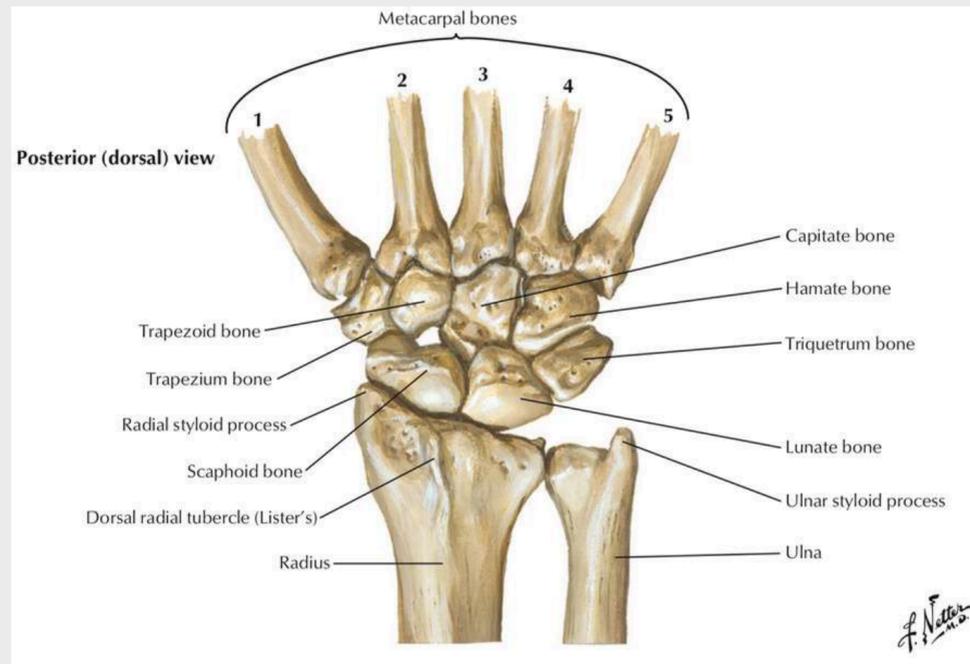
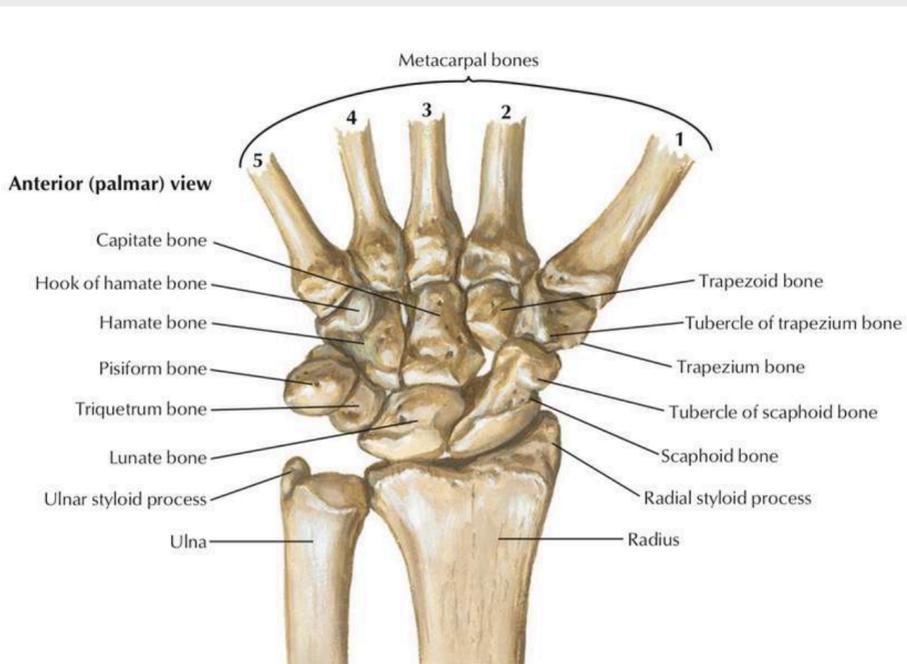
[Table quiz](#)

Articulations	Articulation between the proximal and distal row of carpal bones <i>Mnemonic: 'Sally Left The Party To Take Cathy Home' (Scaphoid, Lunate, Triquetrum, Pisiform, Trapezium Trapezoid, Capitate, Hamate)</i>
Joint capsule	Synovial gliding joints
Ligaments	Intercarpal, palmar intercarpar, dorsal intercapal, radial collateral, ulnar collateral ligaments
Clinical note	Midcarpal instability

Wrist

Wrist (Carpal Bones)

- Proximal row: Scaphoid, Lunate, Triquetrum, Pisiform
- Distal row: Trapezium, Trapezoid, Capitate, Hamate



Ligaments

Extrinsic Wrist Ligaments

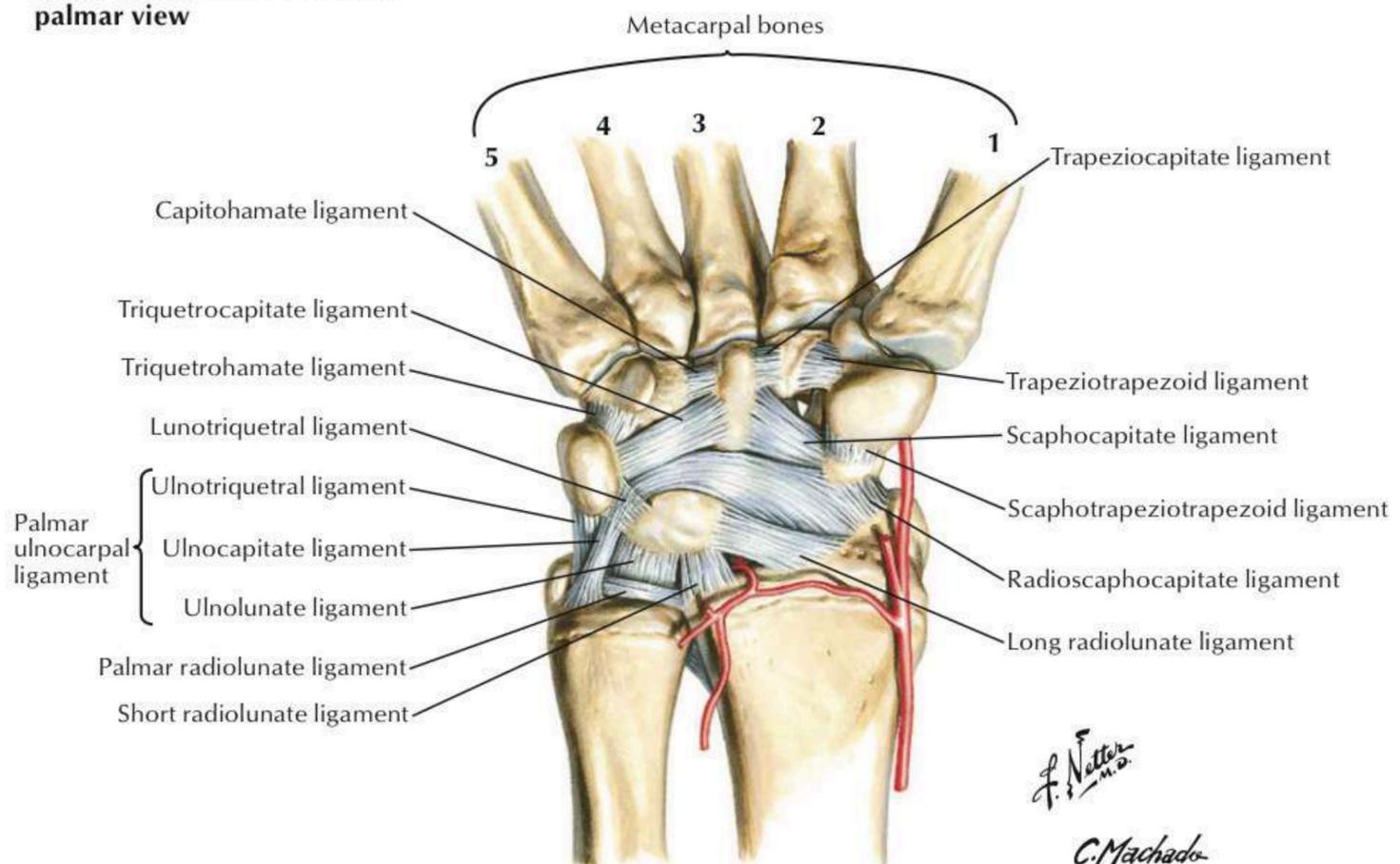
- Radioscaphocapitate
- Radiolunate
- Ulnolunate
- Ulnotriquetral
- Radial collateral ligament
- Ulnar collateral ligament

Intrinsic Wrist Ligaments

- Scapholunate ligament
- Lunotriquetral ligament
- Others between carpal bones

Function: Stabilize the carpal bones and wrist joint mechanics.

Flexor retinaculum removed:
palmar view

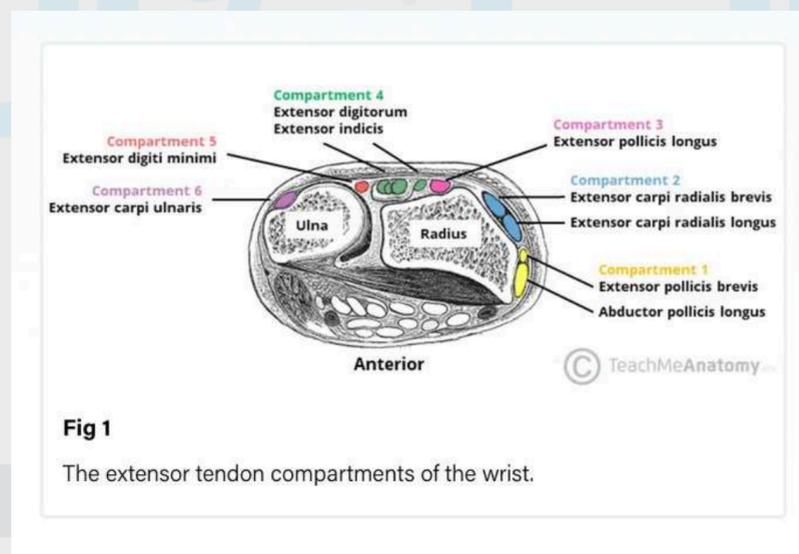
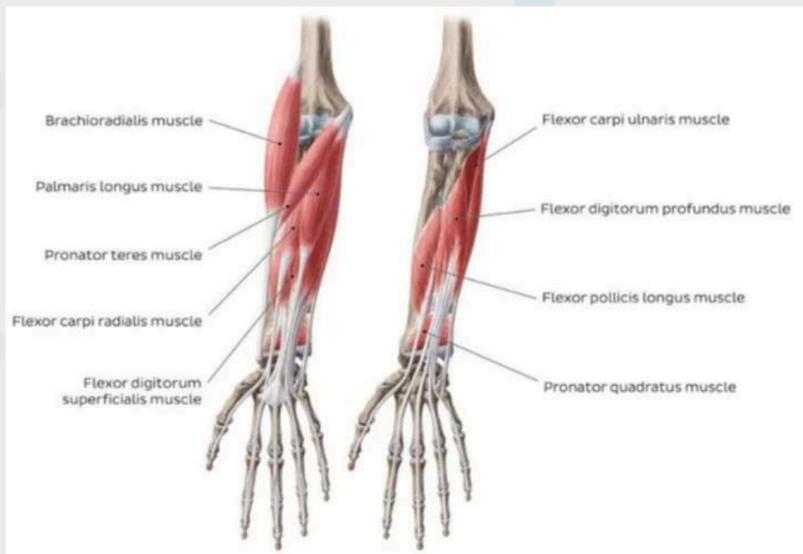
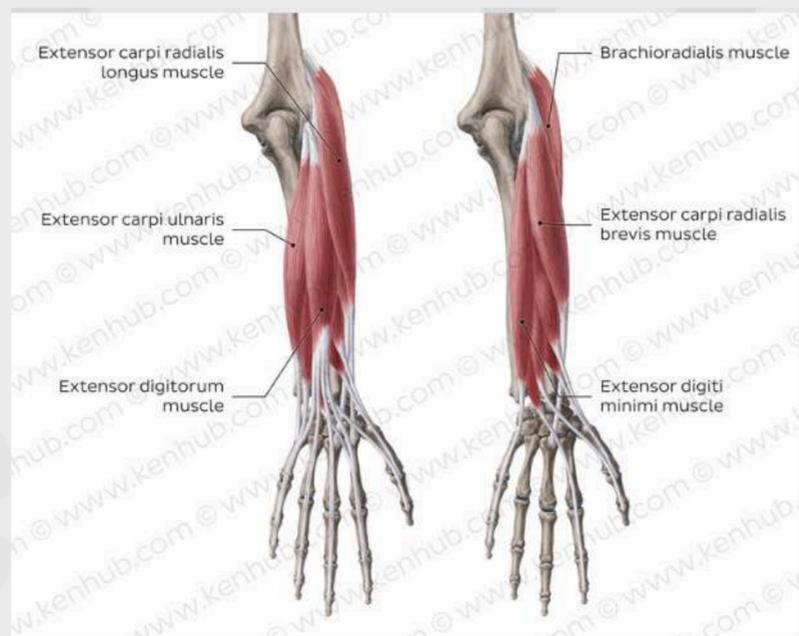


Wrist

Wrist Movements & Muscles

All the movements of the wrist are performed by the muscles of the forearm.

- Flexion – Produced mainly by the flexor carpi ulnaris, flexor carpi radialis, with assistance from the flexor digitorum superficialis.
- Extension – Produced mainly by the extensor carpi radialis longus and brevis, and extensor carpi ulnaris, with assistance from the extensor digitorum.
- Adduction – Produced by the extensor carpi ulnaris and flexor carpi ulnaris
- Abduction – Produced by the abductor pollicis longus, flexor carpi radialis, extensor carpi radialis longus and brevis.

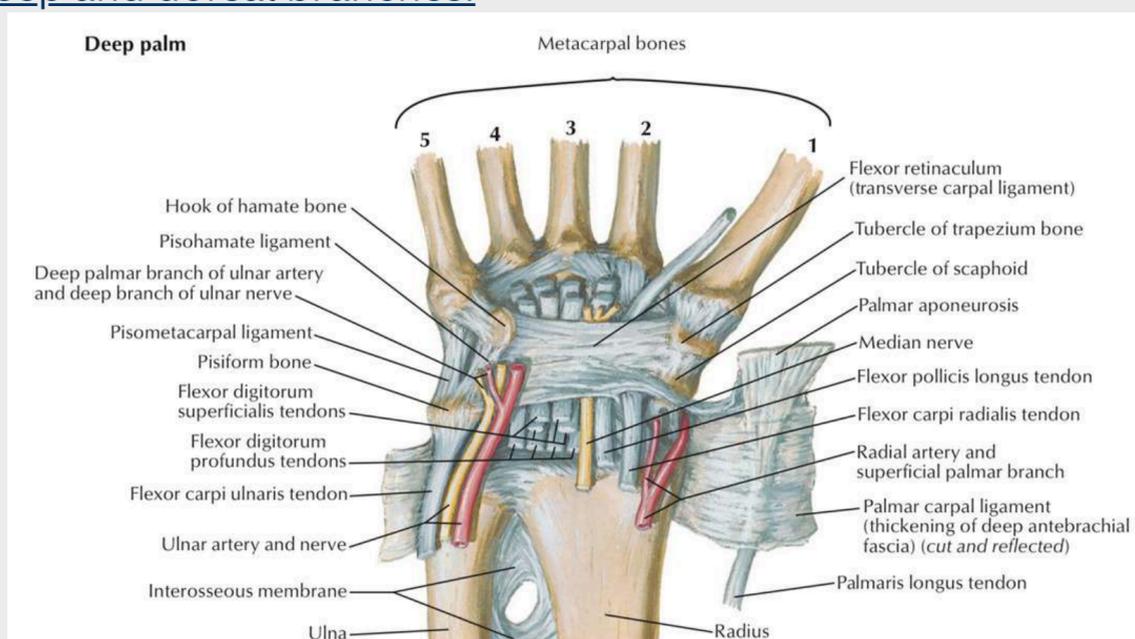


Blood Supply

The wrist joint receives blood from branches of the dorsal and palmar carpal arches, which are derived from the ulnar and radial arteries.

Innervation to the wrist is delivered by branches of three nerves:

- Median nerve – Anterior interosseous branch.
- Radial nerve – Posterior interosseous branch.
- Ulnar nerve – deep and dorsal branches.



Hand

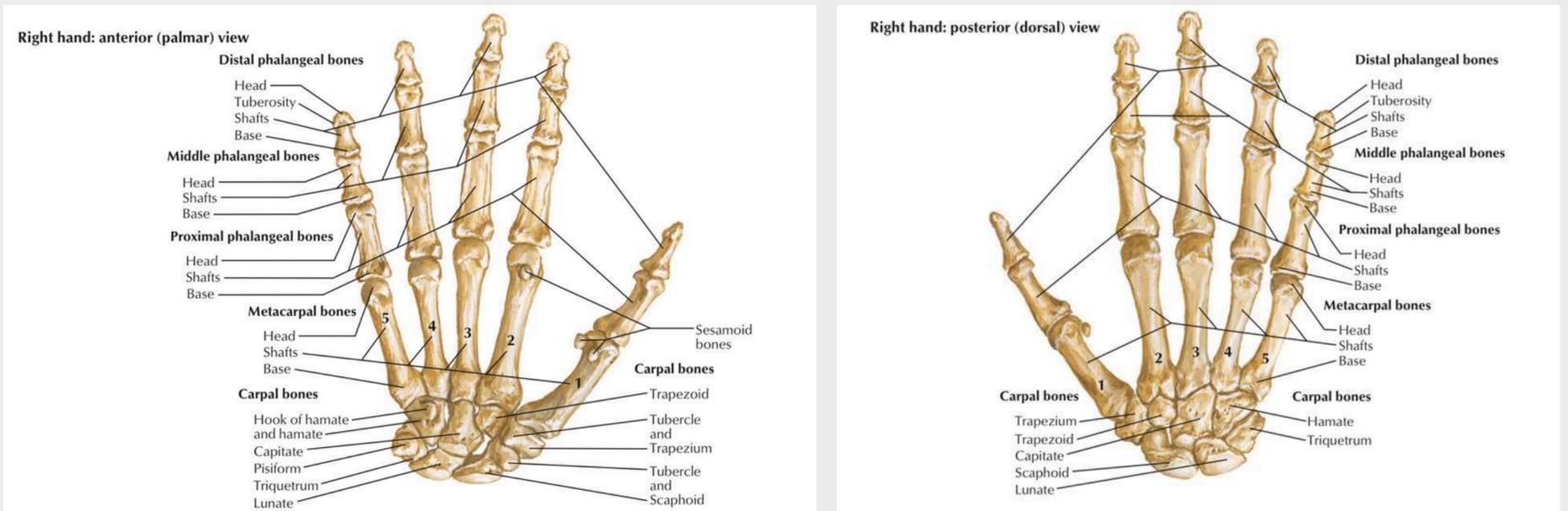
Bones

The bones of the hand can be divided into three distinct groups:

Carpals: scaphoid, lunate, triquetrum, pisiform, trapezium, trapezoid, capitate, hamate

Metacarpals: base, shaft, head

Phalanges: proximal, middle, distal phalanges

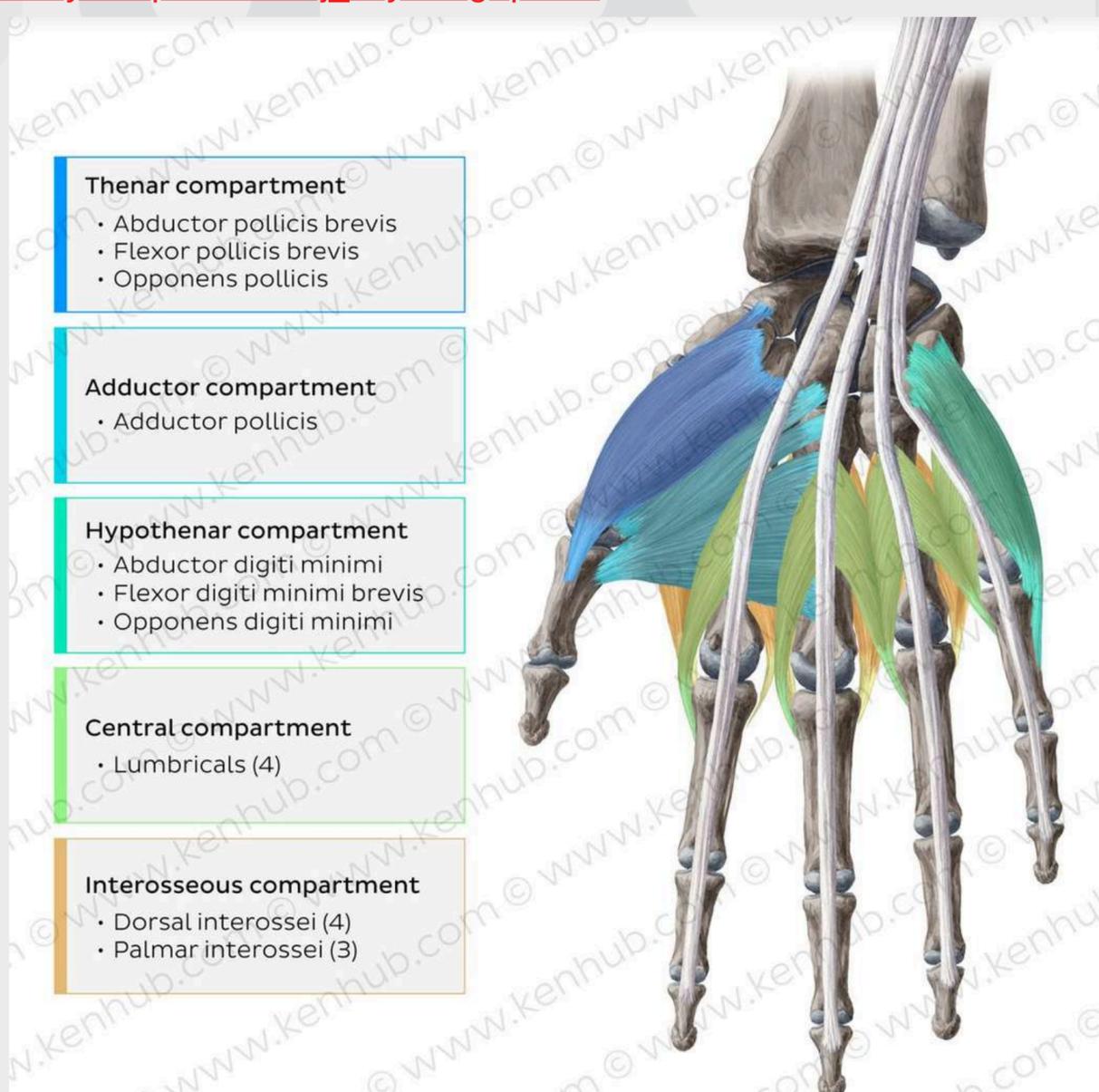


Muscles

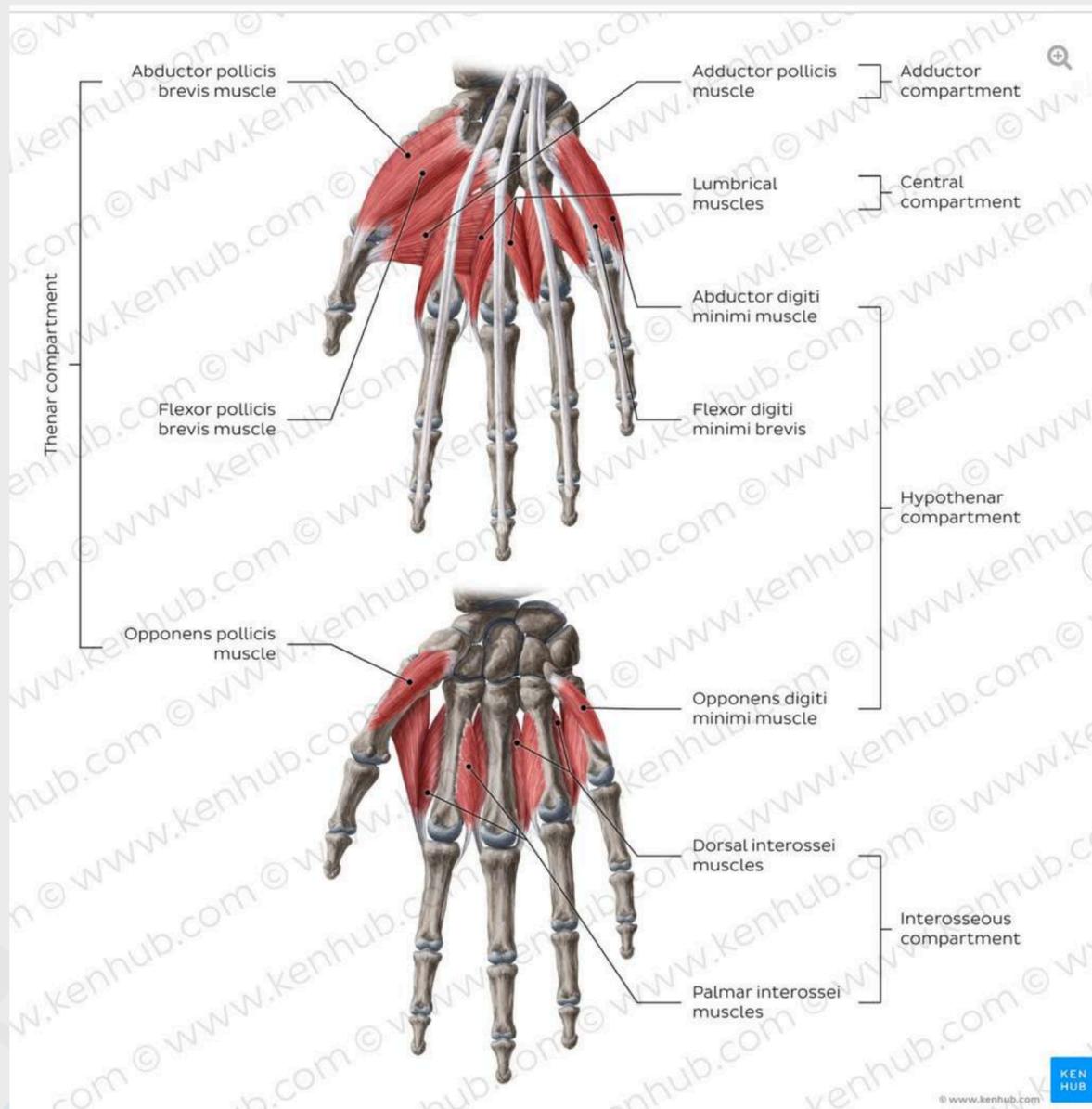
The muscles of the hand consist of five groups:

- Thenar muscles
- Hypothenar muscles
- Lumbricals
- Palmar interossei
- Dorsal interossei

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Key Facts about thenar muscles

[Table quiz](#)

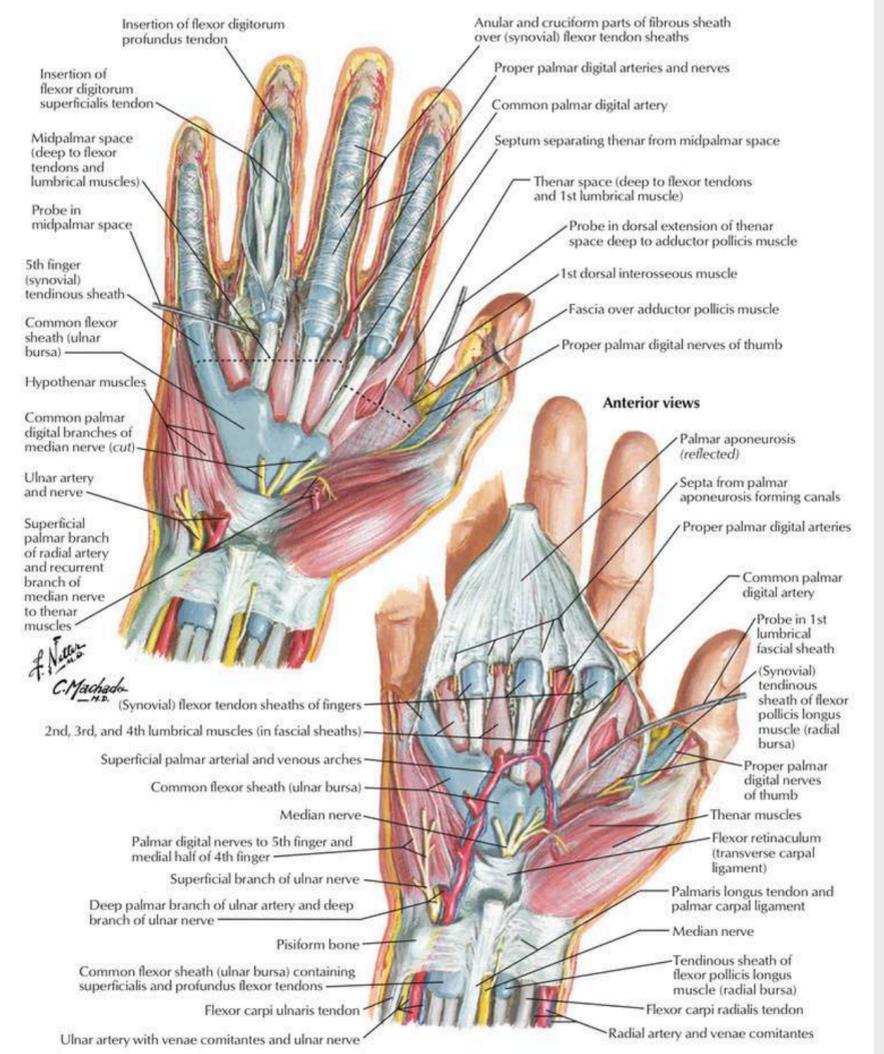
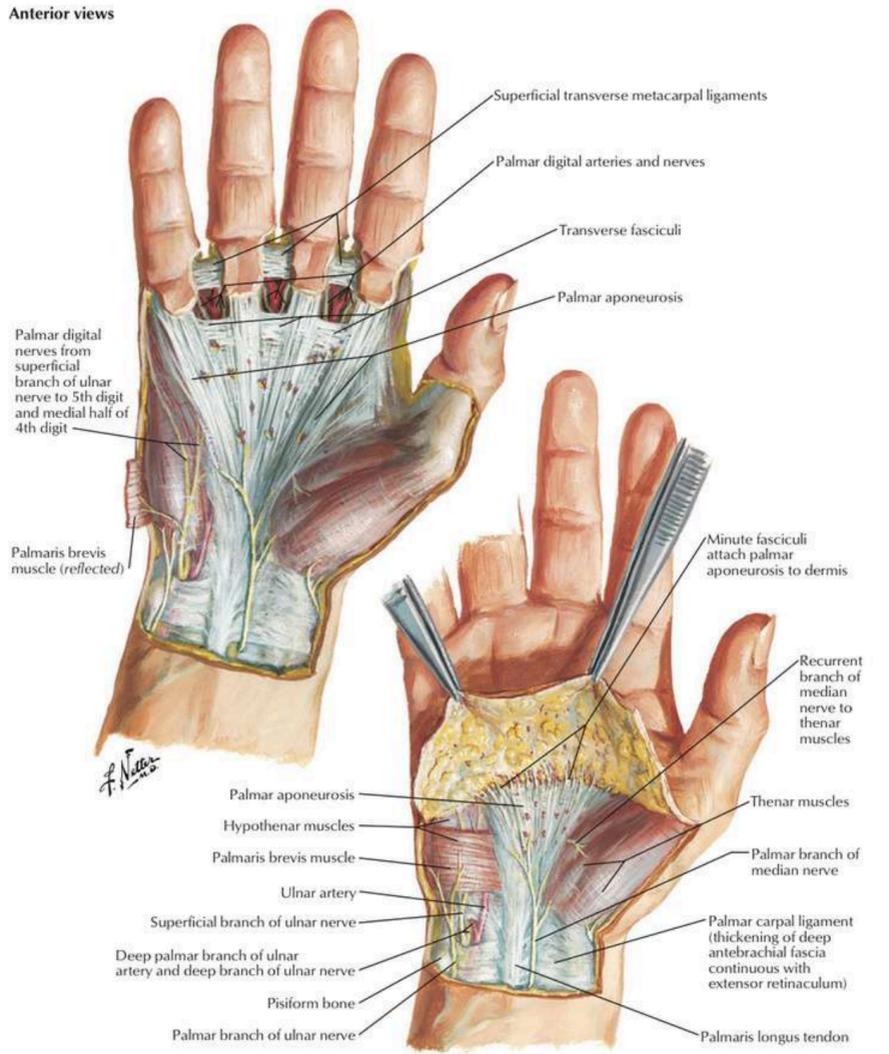
Abductor pollicis brevis	<p>Origin - tubercles of the scaphoid and trapezium; flexor retinaculum</p> <p>Insertion - base of the proximal phalanx 1 (via radial sesamoid bone)</p> <p>Innervation - Recurrent branch of median nerve (C8, T1)</p> <p>Function - thumb abduction (moving away from the hand) at <u>carpometacarpal joint 1</u></p>
Flexor pollicis brevis	<p>Origin - flexor retinaculum, tubercle of trapezium (superficial head), trapezoid and capitate bones (deep head)</p> <p>Insertion - radial sesamoid bone and base of the proximal phalanx (superficial head), base of first phalanx, radial sesamoid bone (deep head)</p> <p>Innervation - median and ulnar nerves</p> <p>Function - thumb flexion (bending)</p>
Opponens pollicis	<p>Origin - flexor retinaculum, tubercle of trapezium bone</p> <p>Insertion - first metacarpal bone</p> <p>Innervation - Recurrent branch of median nerve (C8, T1)</p> <p>Function - thumb flexion, abduction, and medial rotation resulting in a combined movement called opposition</p>

Nerves: Important

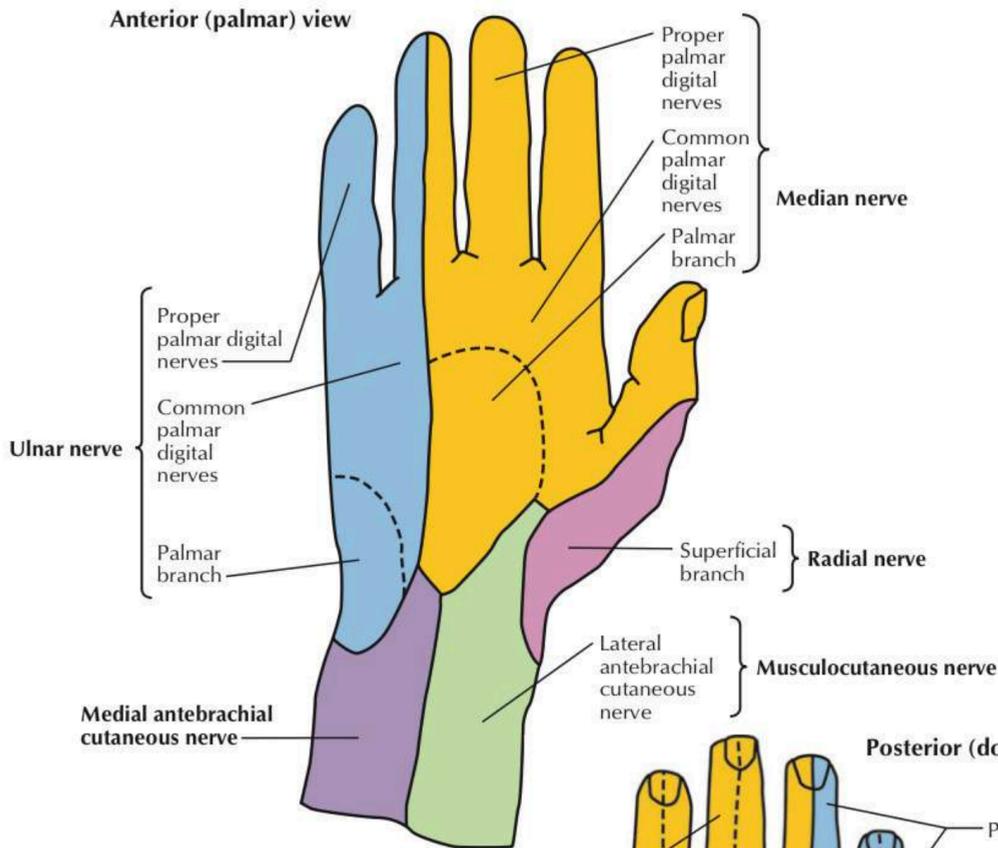
Nerves of the hand		Table quiz
Median nerve	<p>Branches: Palmar branch, recurrent branch, common palmar digital branches, proper palmar digital branches</p> <p>Muscle innervation: Thenar muscles and lumbrical muscles (1st & 2nd)</p> <p>Cutaneous innervation: Lateral $\frac{2}{3}$ of palm; palmar surface and dorsal distal $\frac{1}{3}$ of lateral 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ digits</p>	
Ulnar nerve	<p>Branches: Dorsal digital branches, palmar branch, superficial branch (common palmar digital nerves and proper palmar digital nerves), deep branch</p> <p>Muscle innervation: Hypothenar, interossei muscles and lumbricals (3rd & 4th)</p> <p>Cutaneous innervation: Medial $\frac{1}{3}$ of palm; palmar/dorsal surfaces of medial 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ digits</p>	
Radial nerve	<p>Branches: Superficial branch (dorsal digital branches)</p> <p>Cutaneous innervation: Lateral $\frac{2}{3}$ of dorsum of hand; dorsal proximal $\frac{2}{3}$ of lateral 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ digits</p>	

Hand

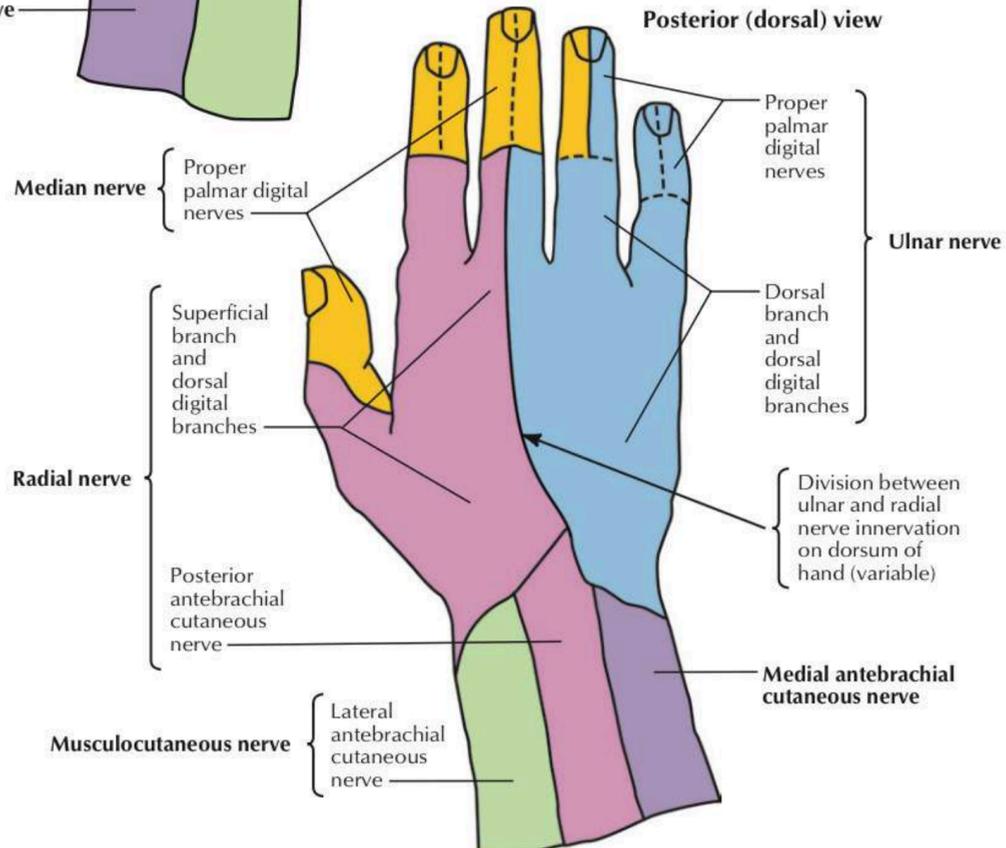
Anterior views



Anterior (palmar) view



Posterior (dorsal) view



Hand

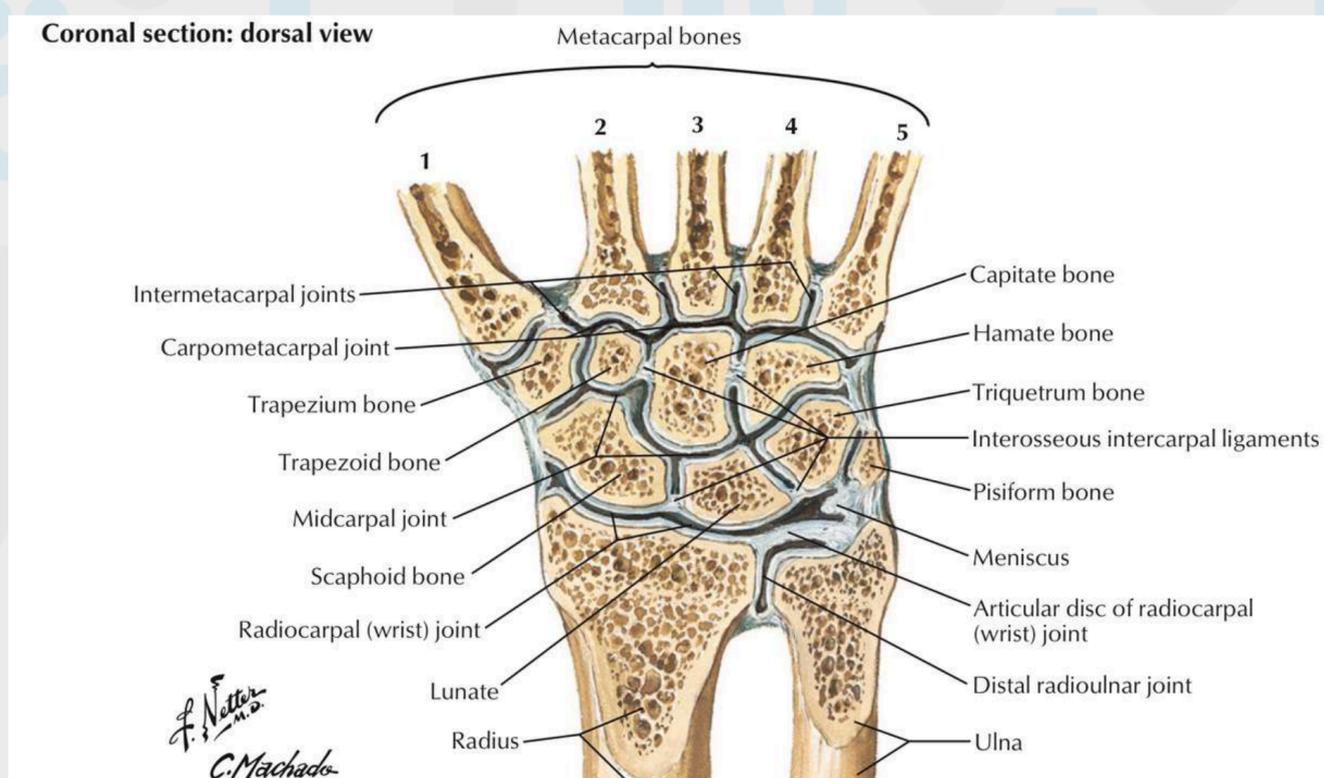
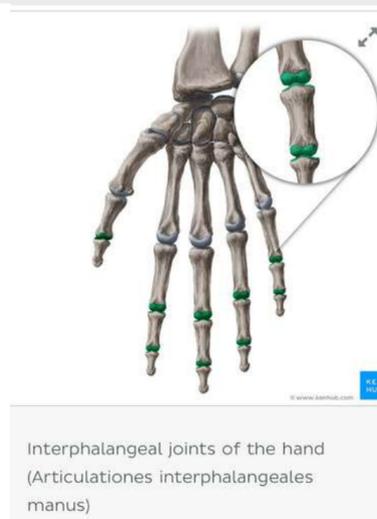
Joint

The joints in the hand are joints found at the distal end of the upper limb.

The joints are:

- In the wrist there is the radiocarpal joint between the radius and carpus.^[1] Between the carpal bones are the intercarpal articulations and the midcarpal joint.
- The carpometacarpal joint connects the carpal bones to the metacarpus or metacarpal bones which are joined at the intermetacarpal articulations.
- In the fingers, finally, are the metacarpophalangeal joints (including the knuckles) between the metacarpal bones and the phalanges or finger bones which are interconnected by the interphalangeal joints.

Key facts about the interphalangeal joints of the hand		Table quiz
Type	Synovial hinge joint; uniaxial	
Articular surfaces	Head of proximal phalanx, base of middle phalanx, and base of distal phalanx	
Ligaments	Medial collateral ligament, lateral collateral ligament	
Innervation	Proper palmar digital nerves	
Blood supply	Proper palmar digital arteries	
Movements	Flexion - extension	



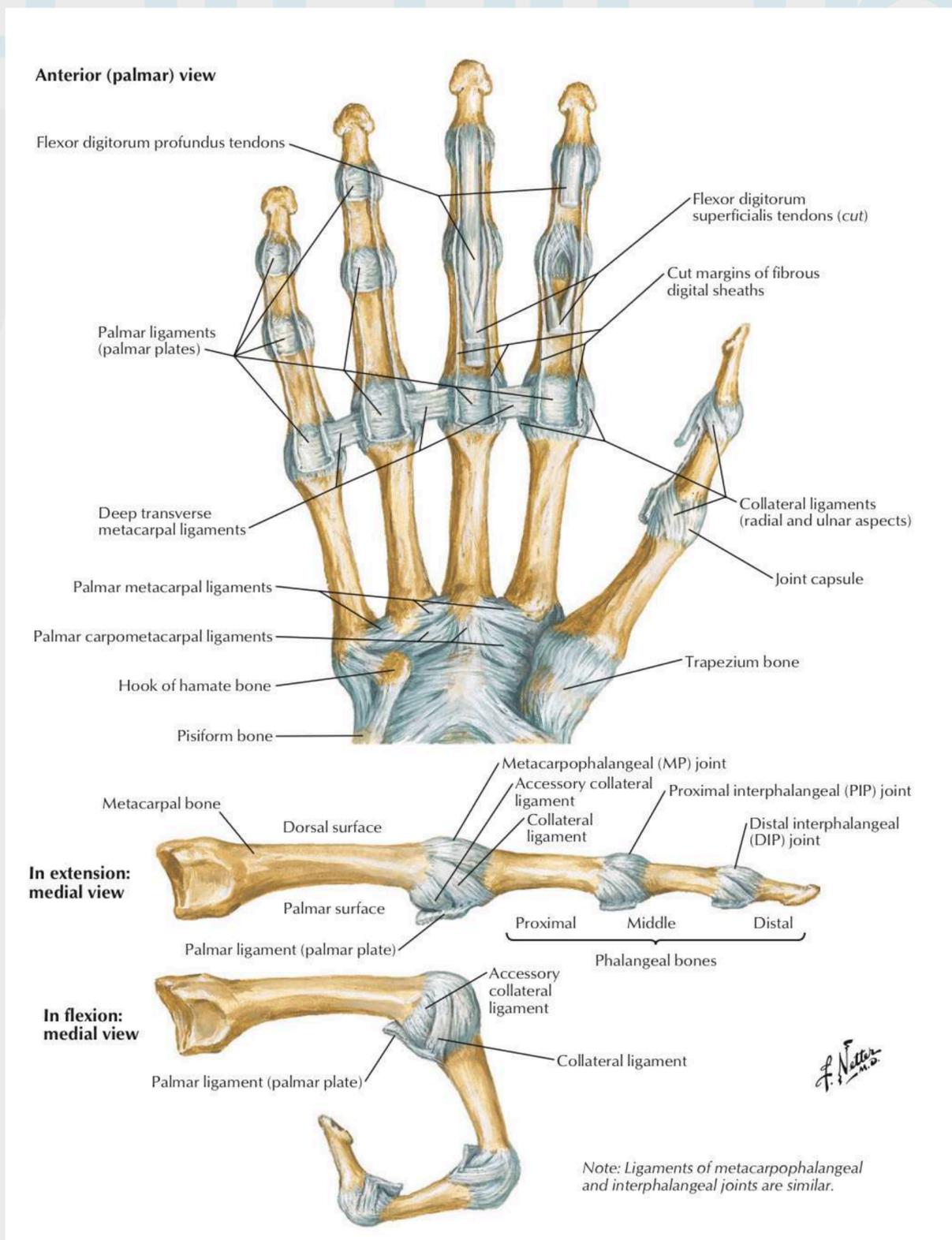
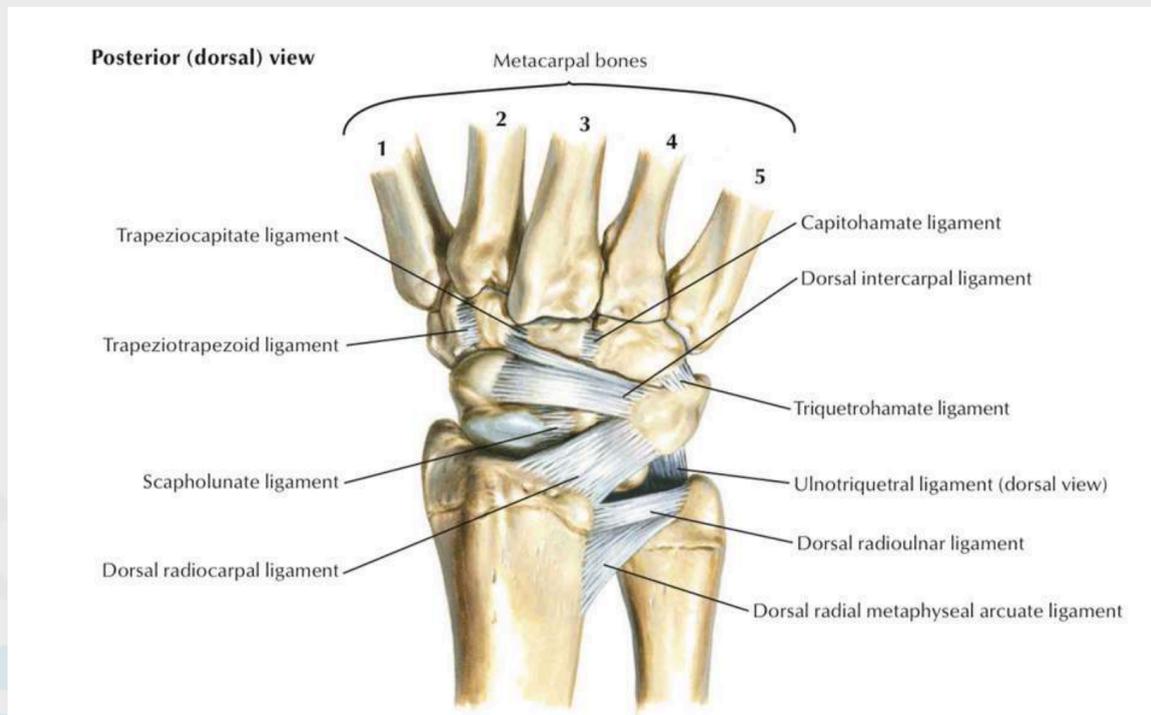
Ligament:

There are lots of ligaments in your hand, including:

- **Collateral ligaments:** These ligaments run on the outside edges of your fingers and thumb. They protect your joints from moving too much from side to side.
- **The volar plate:** Volar plate ligaments connect your first two finger bones (phalanges) together on each finger. They run under your bones on the palmar side of your hand and keep your fingers from bending too far back when you extend them.
- **Palmar fascia:** Your palmar fascia is a thick, triangle-shaped ligament-like structure that runs under the skin of your palm. The narrow point of the triangle is at your wrist, and it gets wider toward the base of your fingers. It helps your hand keep its shape while you move it and prevents your skin from sliding when you're holding something.

Hand

1. Proper collateral ligaments
2. Accessory collateral ligaments
3. Volar plate
4. Deep transverse metacarpal ligament (DTML)
5. Palmar (volar) ligaments
6. Dorsal ligaments / dorsal hood
7. Intermetacarpal ligaments
8. Carpometacarpal (CMC) ligaments



Hand

Arteries and veins:

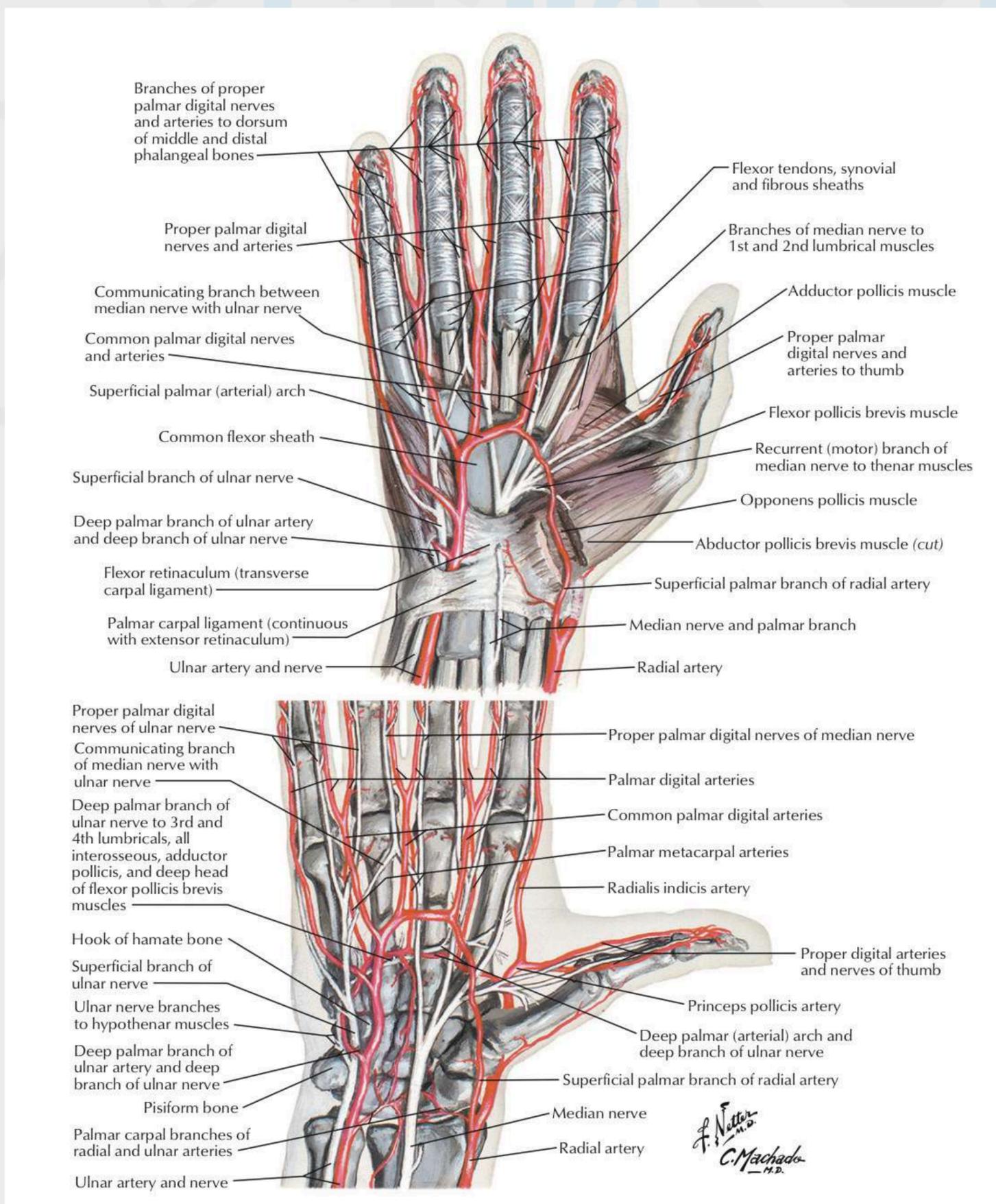
Since the hand is the terminal region of the upper extremity numerous anastomoses take place here, resulting in quite a complex vascular network. All the hand arteries originate from two main, larger ones; the radial and ulnar arteries.

The radial and ulnar arteries give off the following specific branches in the hand:

- Superficial palmar arch
- Deep palmar arch
- Common palmar digital arteries
- Proper palmar digital arteries
- Dorsal carpal arch
- Dorsal metacarpal arteries
- Dorsal digital arteries
- Principal artery of the thumb

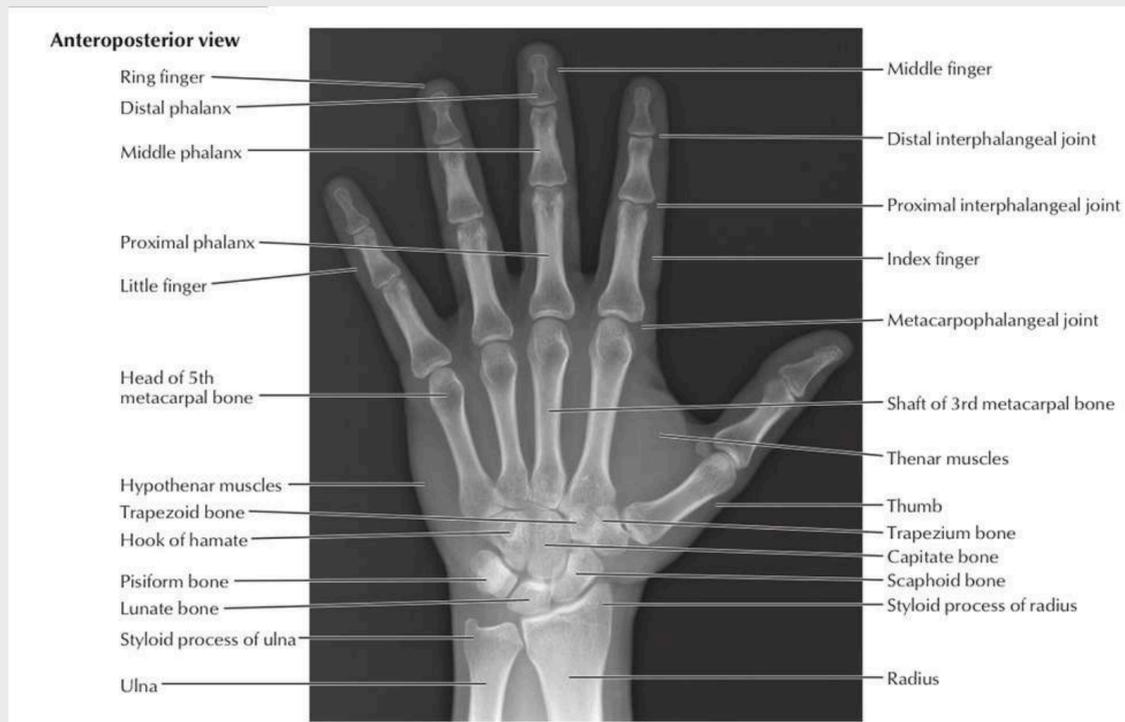
The main veins of the hand are:

- Superficial palmar venous arch
- Deep palmar venous arch
- Dorsal venous network of the hand
- Palmar metacarpal digital veins
- Palmar digital veins

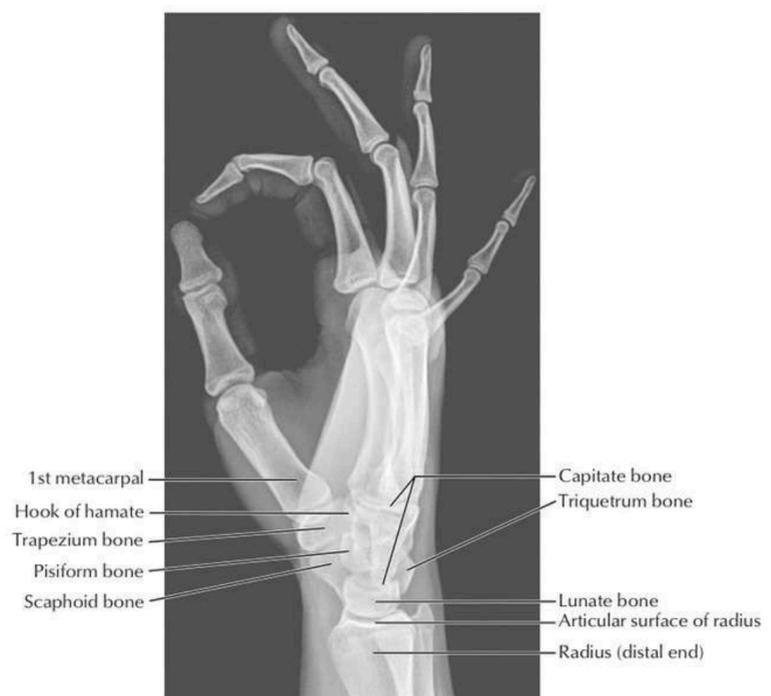


Hand

hand bones on X-ray:



Lateral view



Spine

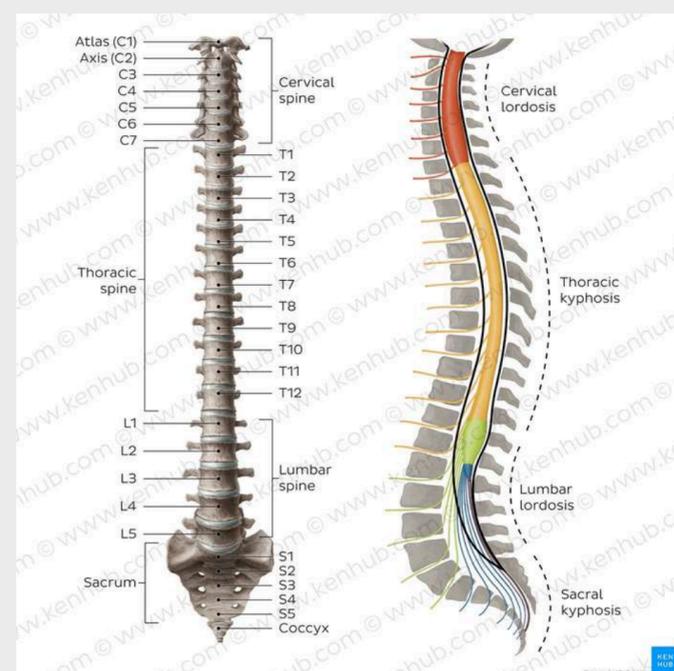
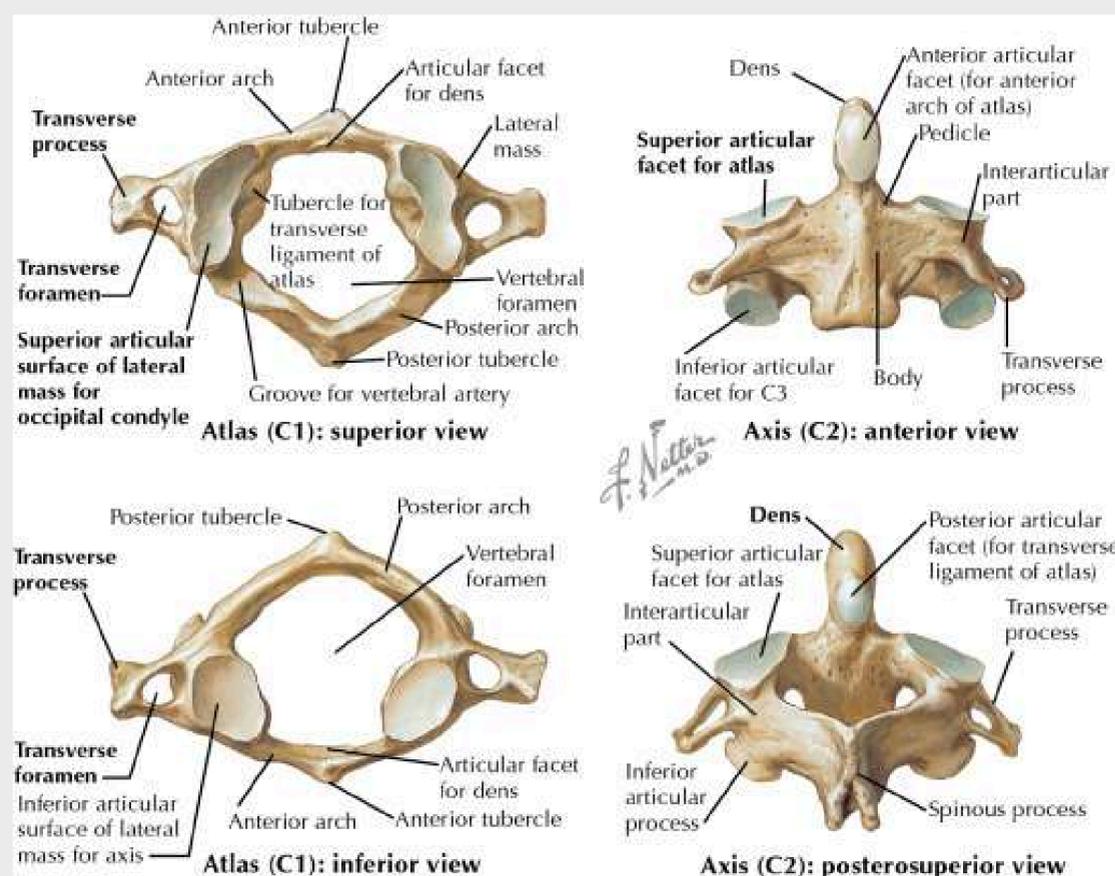
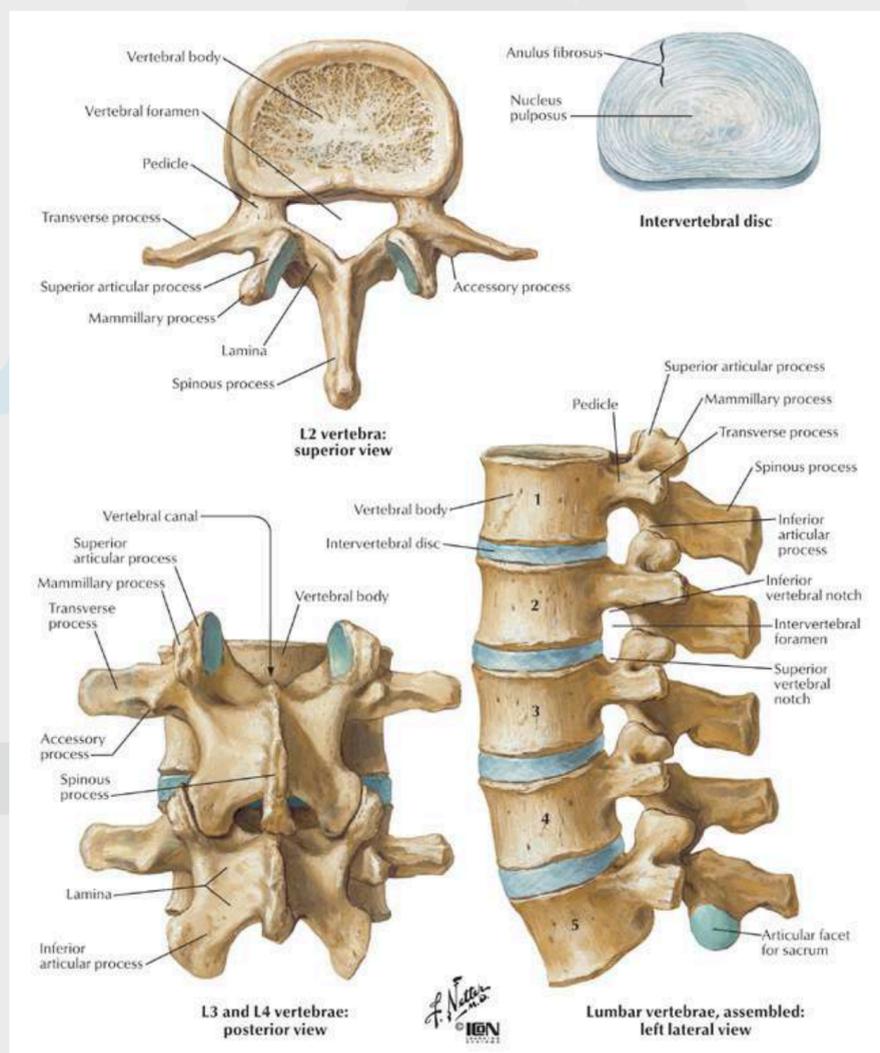
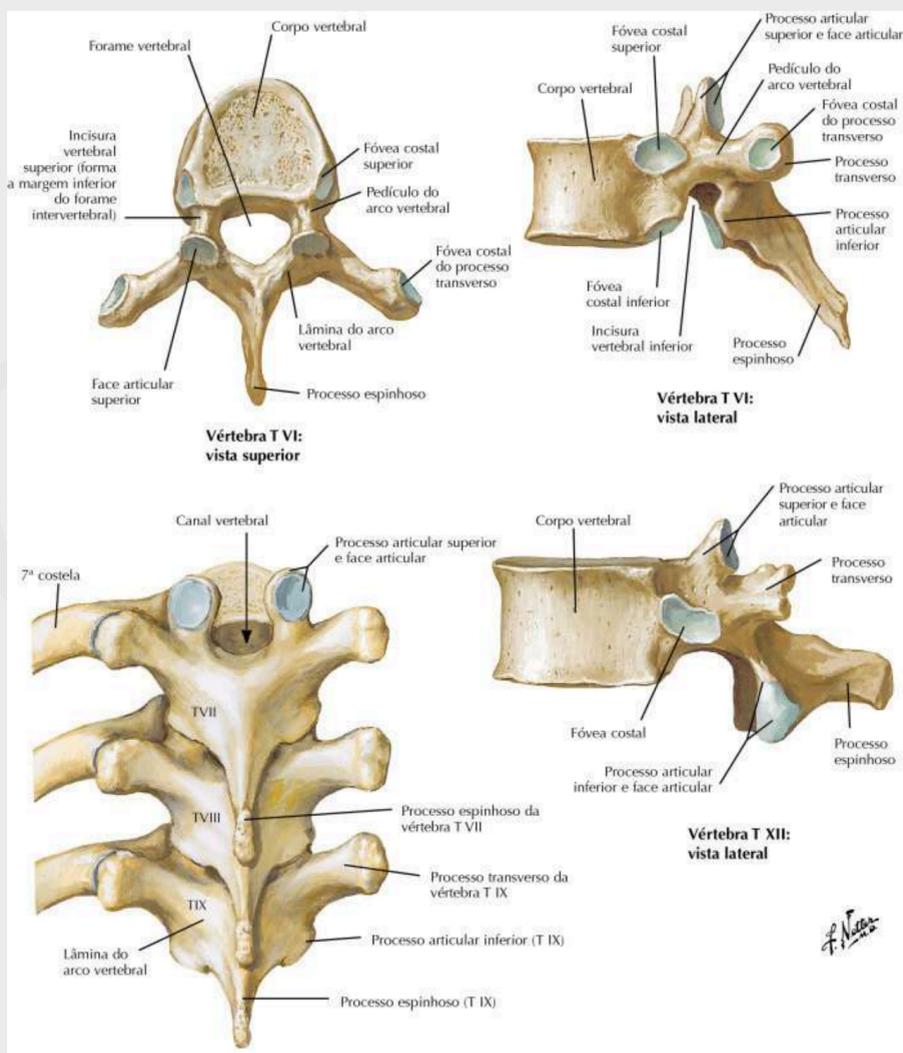
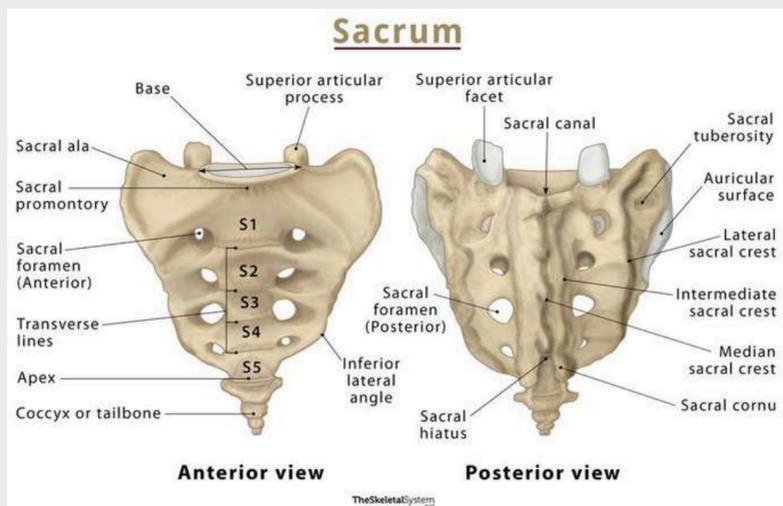
Regions of the Spine

- Cervical (C1-C7) → 7 vertebrae
- Thoracic (T1-T12) → 12 vertebrae
- Lumbar (L1-L5) → 5 vertebrae
- Sacrum (S1-S5 fused) → 1 bone
- Coccyx (Co1-Co4 fused) → 1 bone

2) Vertebra structure

Parts of a typical vertebra

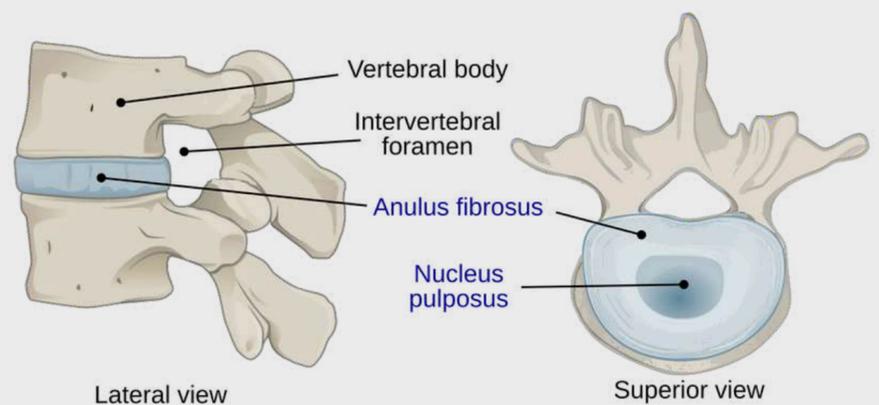
- **Body** → weight-bearing
- **Vertebral arch** → pedicles + laminae
- **Processes:**
- **Spinous** → posterior
- **Transverse** → lateral
- **Articular** → superior & inferior facets
- **Vertebral foramen** → contains spinal cord
- **Intervertebral foramen** → spinal nerve exits



Spine

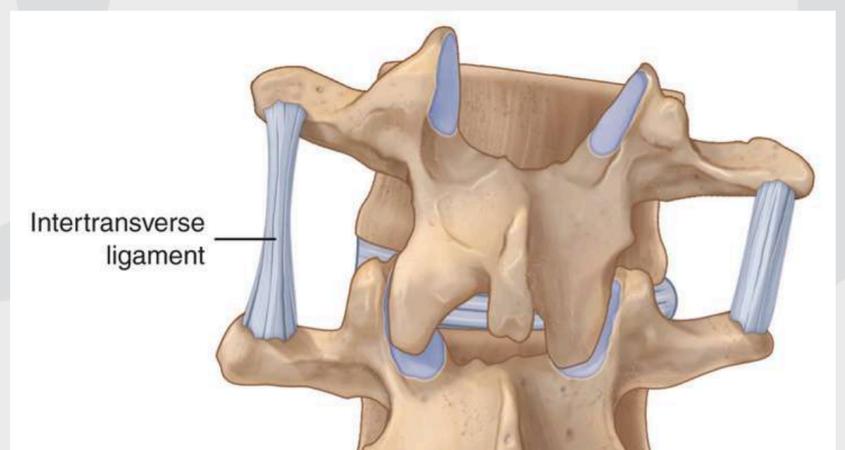
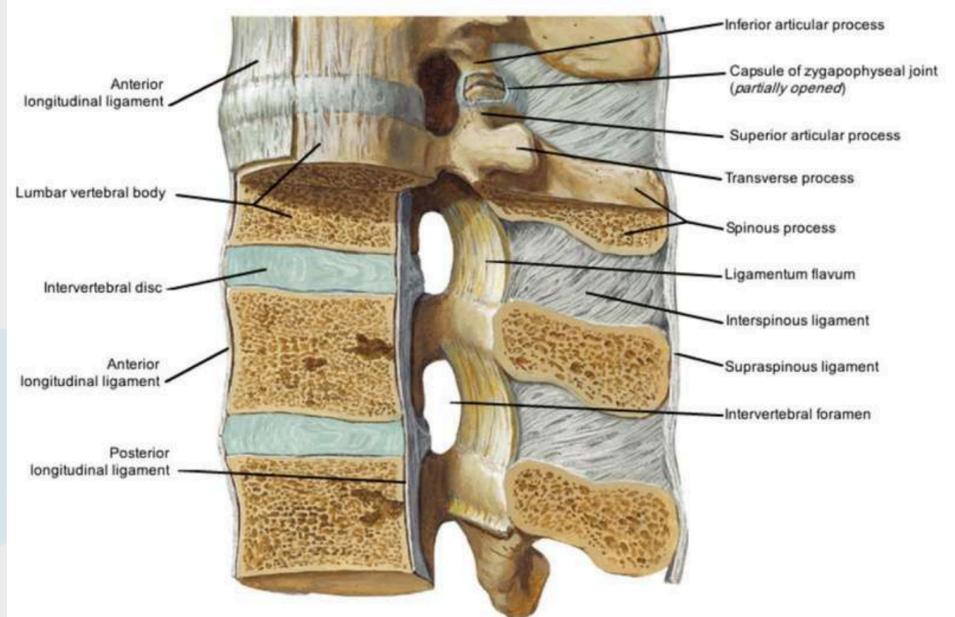
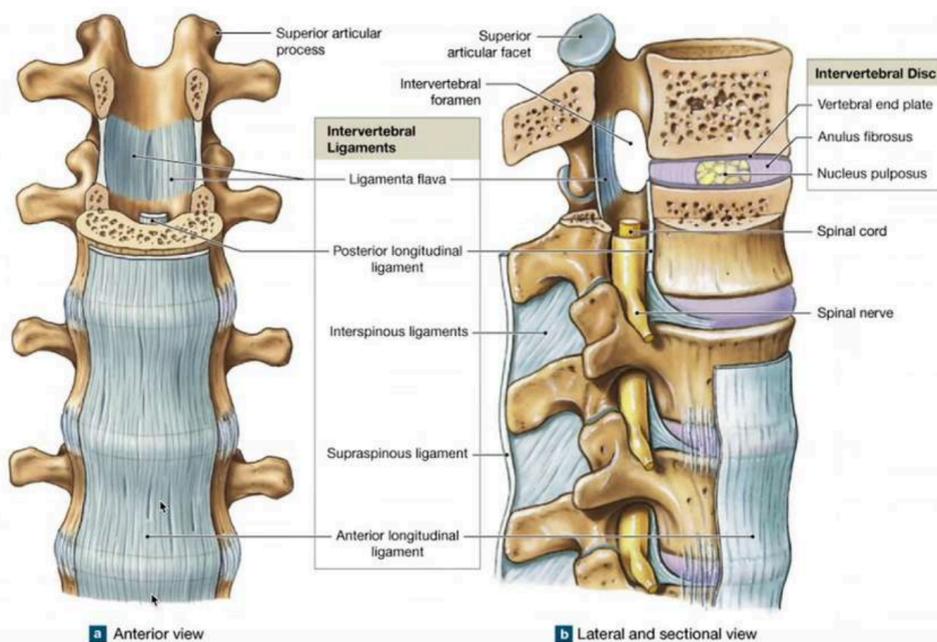
Intervertebral discs

- **Annulus fibrosus** → tough outer layer
 - **Nucleus pulposus** → soft central part
- Function:** shock absorption & mobility



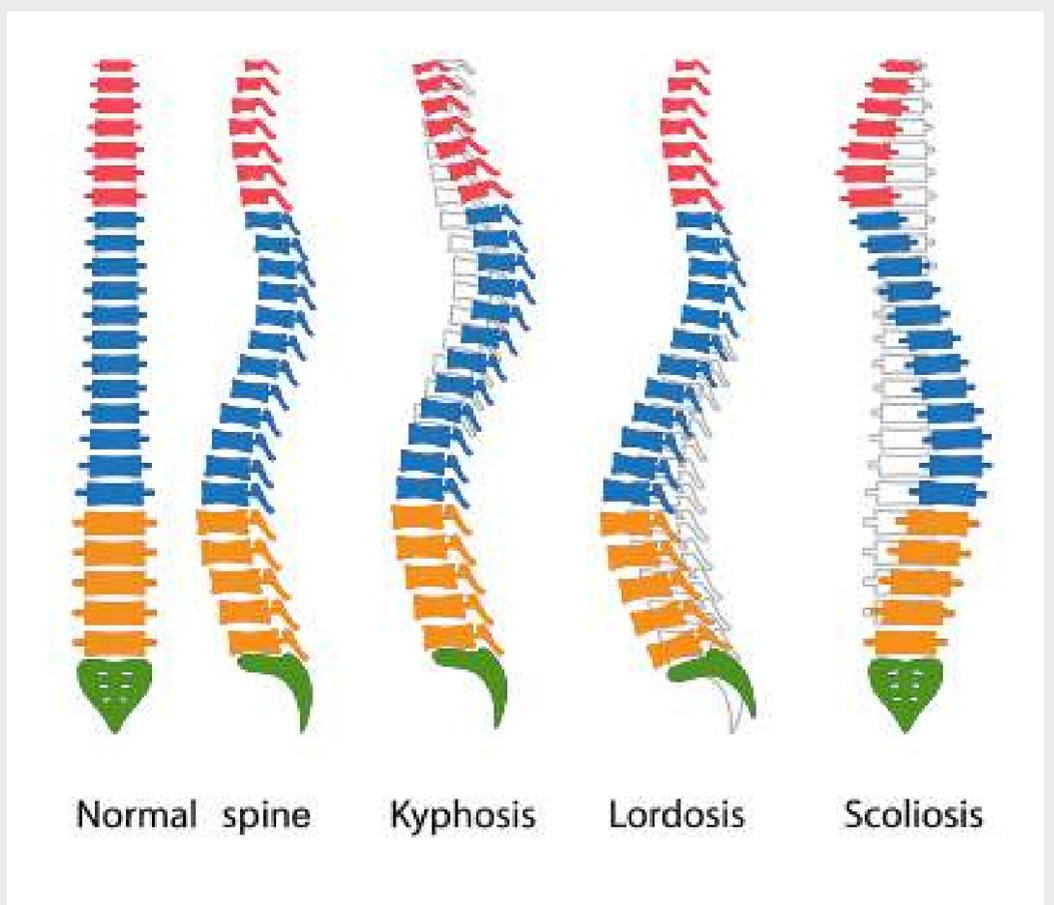
Ligaments

- **Anterior longitudinal ligament (ALL)** → prevents hyperextension
- **Posterior longitudinal ligament (PLL)** → prevents hyperflexion
- **Ligamentum flavum** → between laminae
- **Interspinous & Supraspinous ligaments** → limit flexion
- **Intertransverse ligament** → limits lateral flexion (in thoracic and lumbar)



Curvatures

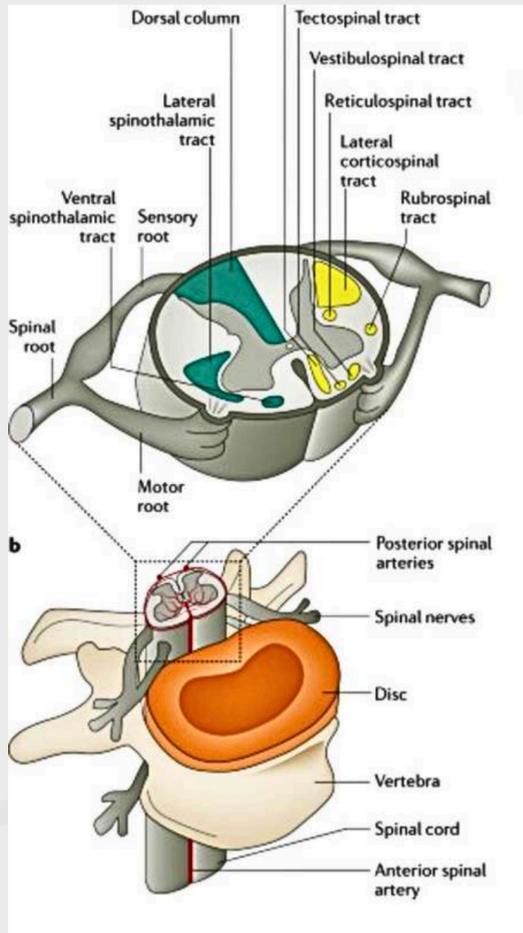
- **Cervical / Lumbar:** lordotic
- **Thoracic/ Sacral :** kyphotic
- **Thoracic > lumbar :** Scoliosis (Lateral curvature + vertebral rotation)



Spinal Cord

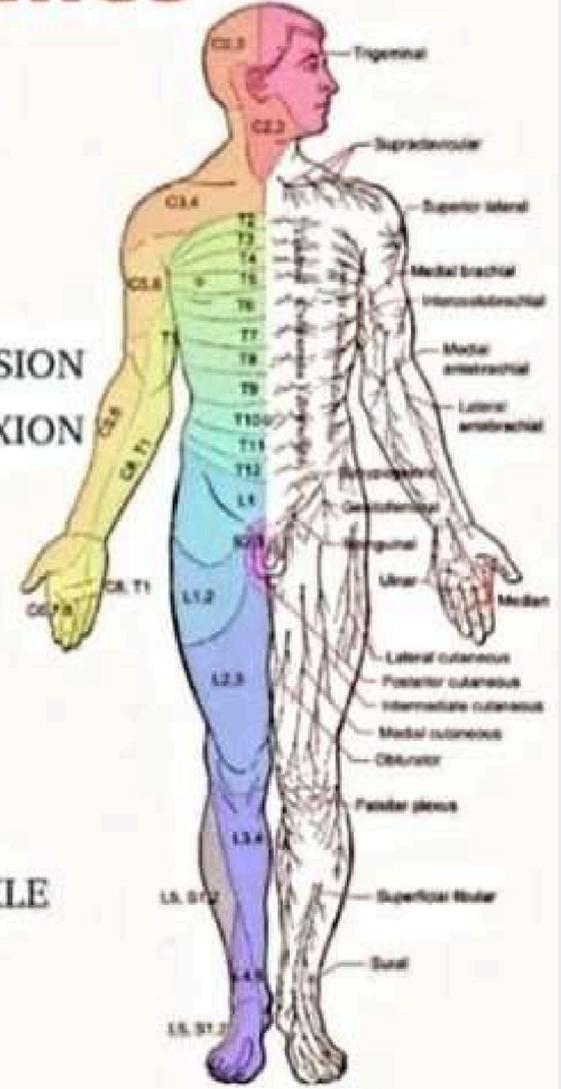
Spinal cord & nerves

- Spinal cord → ends ~L1-L2 (conus medullaris)
- Cauda equina → nerve roots below L2
- 31 spinal nerves → exit via intervertebral foramina



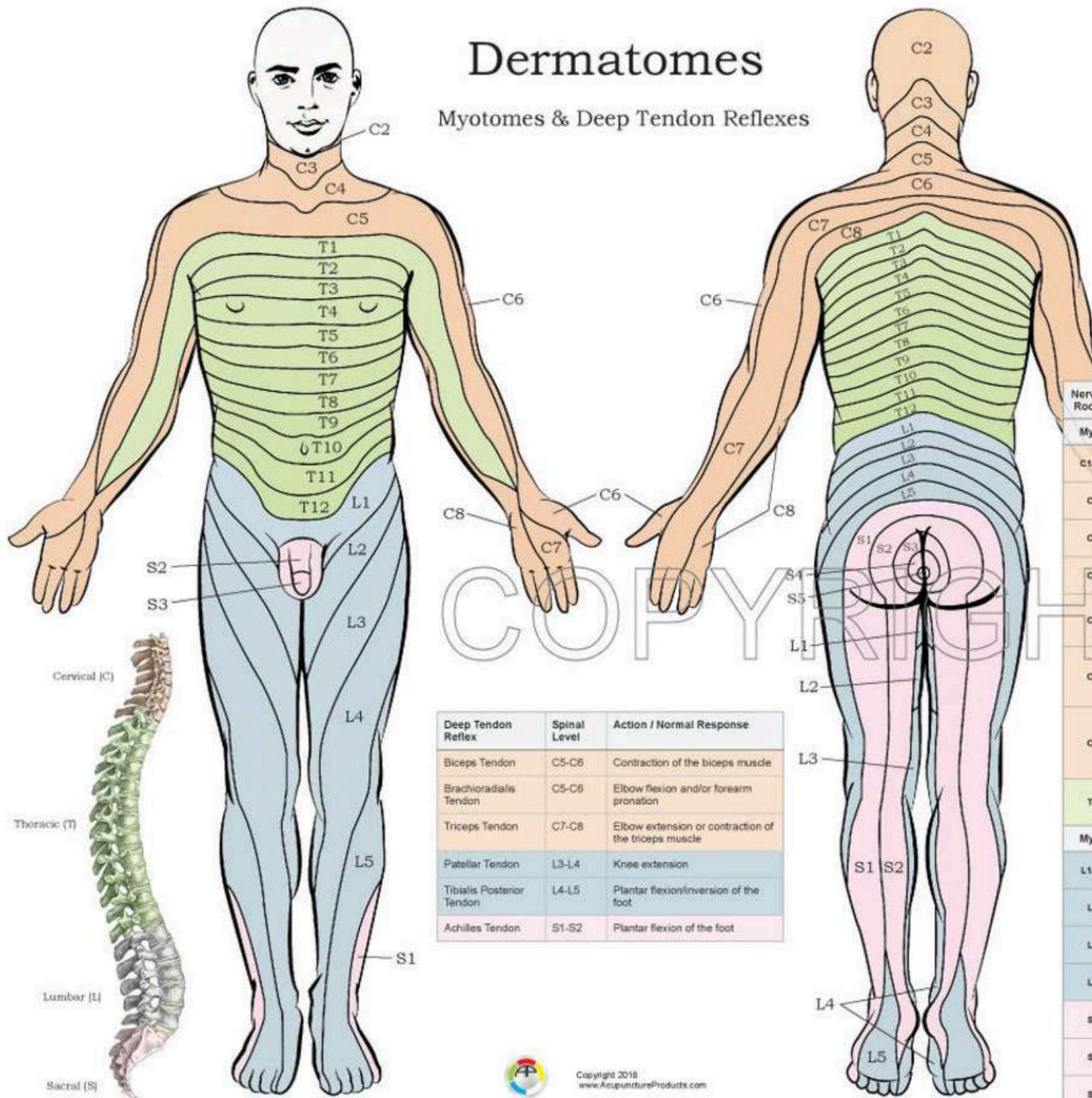
Myotomes

- C1/C2: NECK FLEXION/EXTENSION
- C3: NECK LATERAL FLEXION
- C4: SHOULDER ELEVATION
- C5: SHOULDER ABDUCTION
- C6: ELBOW FLEXION/WRIST EXTENSION
- C7: ELBOW EXTENSION/WRIST FLEXION
- C8: FINGER FLEXION
- T1: FINGER ABDUCTION
- L2: HIP FLEXION
- L3: KNEE EXTENSION
- L4: ANKLE DORSI-FLEXION
- L5: GREAT TOE EXTENSION
- S1: ANKLE PLANTAR-FLEXION /ANKLE EVERSION/HIP EXTENSION
- S2: KNEE FLEXION



Dermatomes

Myotomes & Deep Tendon Reflexes



Deep Tendon Reflex Grading	
Grade 0	Absent, no reflex
Grade 1	Diminished, trace, or seen only with reinforcement
Grade 2	Active normal response
Grade 3	Brisk, exaggerated response
Grade 4	Clonus, very brisk/hyperactive

A dermatome is an area of skin that is mainly supplied by a single spinal nerve. There are eight cervical nerves, twelve thoracic nerves, five lumbar nerves and five sacral nerves. Each of these nerves relays sensation (including pain) from a particular region of skin to the brain.

Along the thorax and abdomen the dermatomes are like a stack of dice forming a human, each supplied by a different spinal nerve. Along the arms and the legs, the pattern is different: the dermatomes run longitudinally along the limbs. Although the general pattern is similar to all people, the precise areas of innervation are as unique to an individual as fingerprints. There is overlap between each adjacent dermatome.

Deep Tendon Reflex	Spinal Level	Action / Normal Response
Biceps Tendon	C5-C6	Contraction of the biceps muscle
Brachioradialis Tendon	C5-C6	Elbow flexion and/or forearm pronation
Triceps Tendon	C7-C8	Elbow extension or contraction of the triceps muscle
Patellar Tendon	L3-L4	Knee extension
Tibialis Posterior Tendon	L4-L5	Plantar flexion/inversion of the foot
Achilles Tendon	S1-S2	Plantar flexion of the foot

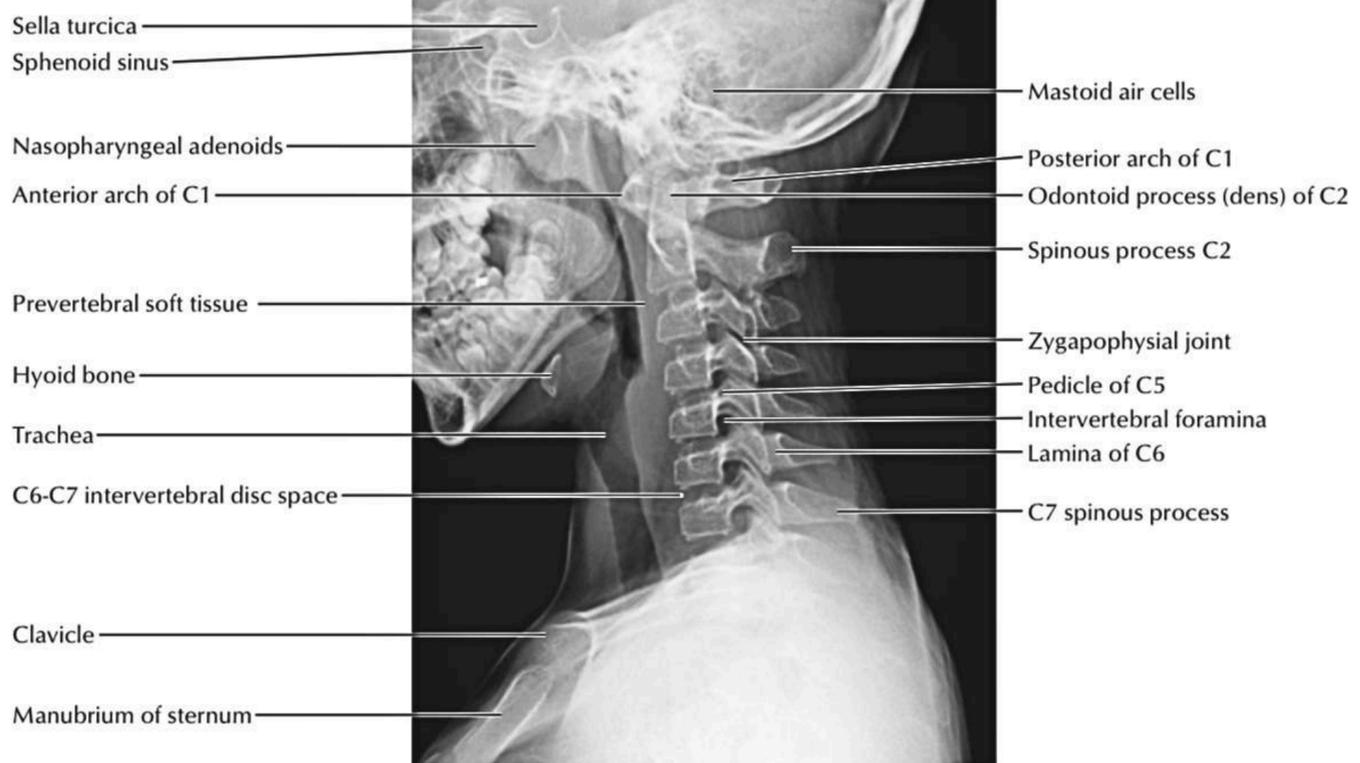
Nerve Root	Test Action	Muscles
Myotomes of the Upper Limb		
C1/C2	Neck flexion/extension	Rectus lateralis, rectus capitis anterior, longus capitis, longus colli, longus cervicis, sternocleidomastoid.
C3	Neck lateral flexion	Longus capitis, longus cervicis, trapezius, scalenus medius.
C4	Shoulder elevation	Diaphragm, trapezius, levator scapulae, scalenus anterior, scalenus medius.
C5	Shoulder abduction	Rhomboid major and minor, deltoid, supraspinatus, infraspinatus, teres minor, biceps, scalenus anterior and medius.
C6	Elbow flexion and/or wrist extension	Serratus anterior, latissimus dorsi, subscapularis, teres major, pectoralis major, biceps, coracobrachialis, brachialis, brachioradialis, supinator, extensor carpi radialis longus, scalenus anterior, medius and posterior.
C7	Elbow extension and/or wrist flexion	Serratus anterior, latissimus dorsi, pectoralis major, pectoralis minor, triceps, pronator teres, flexor carpi radialis, flexor digitorum superficialis, extensor carpi radialis longus, extensor carpi radialis brevis, extensor digitorum, extensor digiti minimi, scalenus medius and posterior.
C8	Thumb extension and/or ulnar deviation	Pectoralis major, pectoralis minor, biceps, flexor digitorum superficialis, flexor digitorum profundus, flexor pollicis longus, pronator quadratus, flexor carpi ulnaris, abductor pollicis longus, extensor pollicis longus, extensor pollicis brevis, extensor indicis, abductor pollicis brevis, flexor pollicis brevis, opponens pollicis, scalenus medius and posterior.
T1	Abduction and/or adduction of hand intrinsic	Flexor digitorum profundus, intrinsic muscles of the hand, flexor pollicis brevis, opponens pollicis.
Myotomes of the Lower Limb		
L1/L2	Hip flexion	Psoas, iliacus, sartorius, gracilis, pectineus, adductor longus, adductor brevis.
L3	Knee extension	Quadriceps, adductor longus, magnus and brevis.
L4	Ankle dorsiflexion	Tibialis anterior, quadriceps, tensor fasciae latae, adductor magnus, obturator externus, iliacus posterior.
L5	Toe extension	Extensor hallucis longus, extensor digitorum longus, gluteus medius and minimus, obturator internus, semimembranosus, semitendinosus, peroneus tertius, postorius.
S1	Ankle plantar flexion and eversion, hip extension, knee flexion	Gastrocnemius, soleus, gluteus maximus, obturator internus, piriformis, biceps femoris, semitendinosus, popliteus, peroneus longus and brevis, extensor digitorum brevis.
S2	Knee flexion	Biceps femoris, piriformis, soleus, gastrocnemius, flexor digitorum longus, flexor hallucis longus, intrinsic foot muscles.
S3	Rectal sphincter tone	Intrinsic foot muscles, flexor hallucis longus, flexor digitorum brevis, extensor digitorum brevis.

Side / image

Anteroposterior view



Lateral view

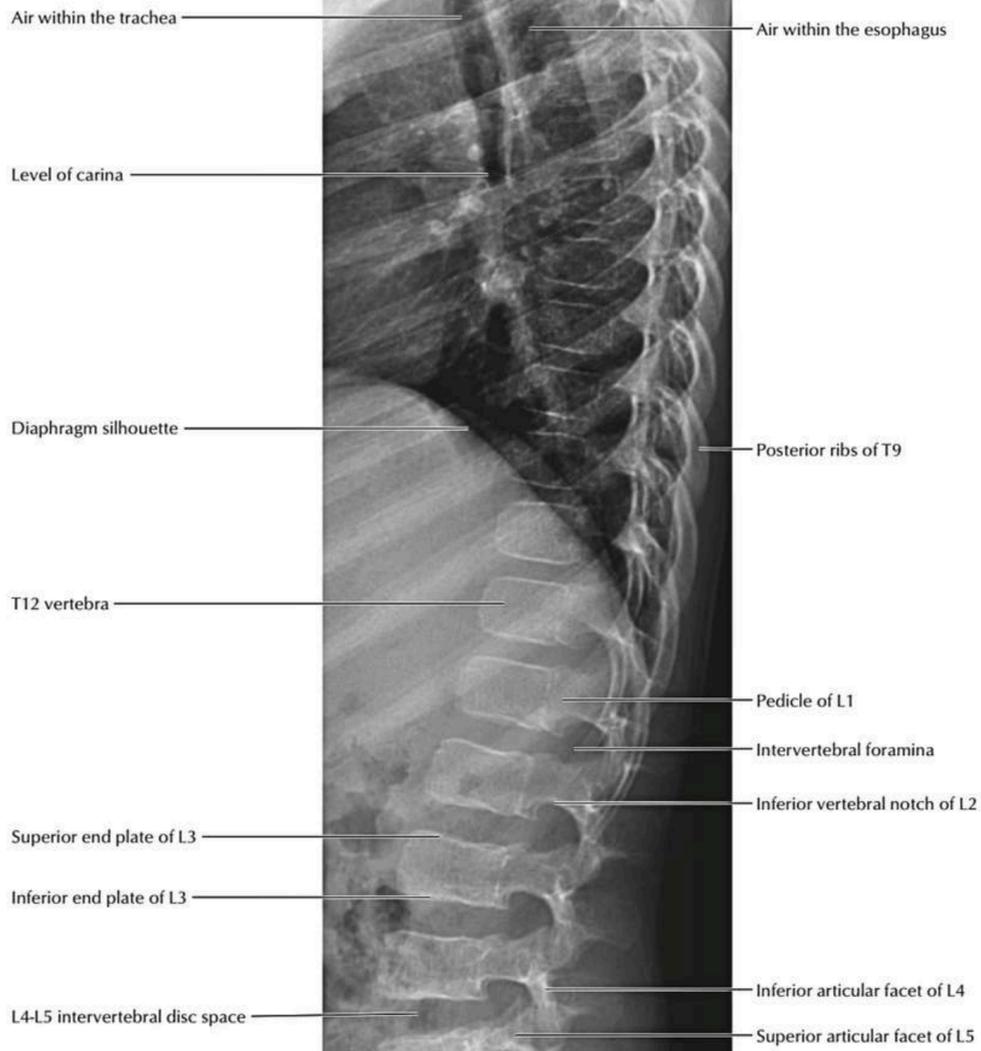


Open-mouth radiograph of cervical spine

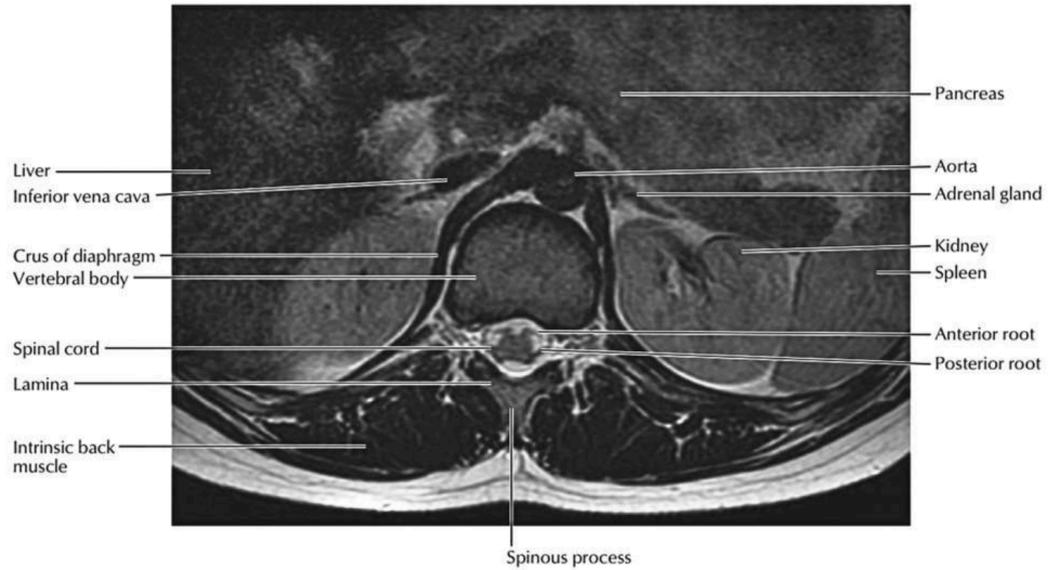


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Lateral radiograph of thoracolumbar spine



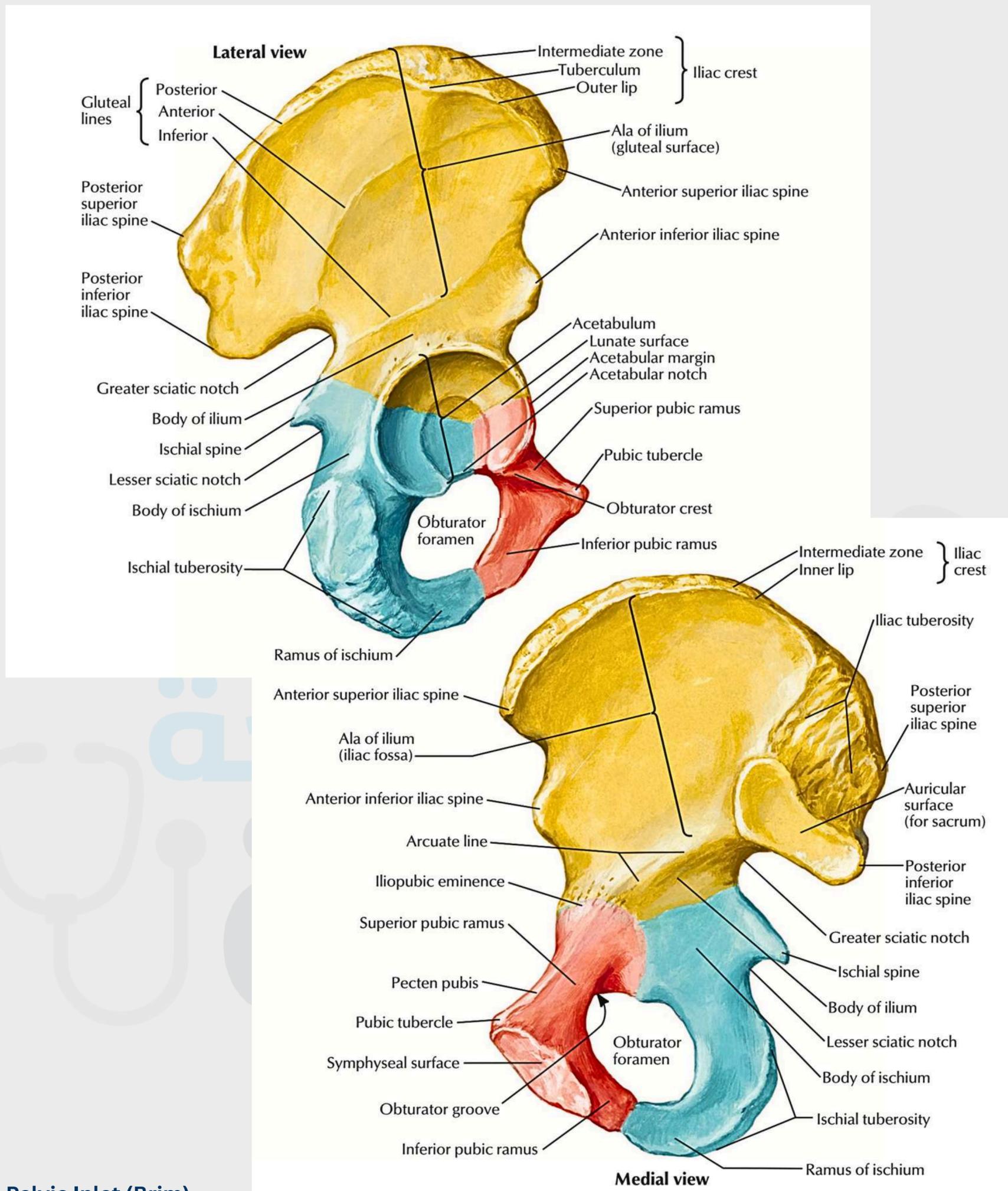
Axial T2-weighted MRI section through upper lumbar level, without contrast



Sagittal T2-weighted MRI of cervical spine, without contrast



Pelvic and Acetabulum



Pelvic Inlet (Brim)

- A) Sacral promontory
- B) Ala of sacrum
- C) Arcuate line
- D) Pectineal line
- E) Superior pubic symphysis

Pelvic Outlet

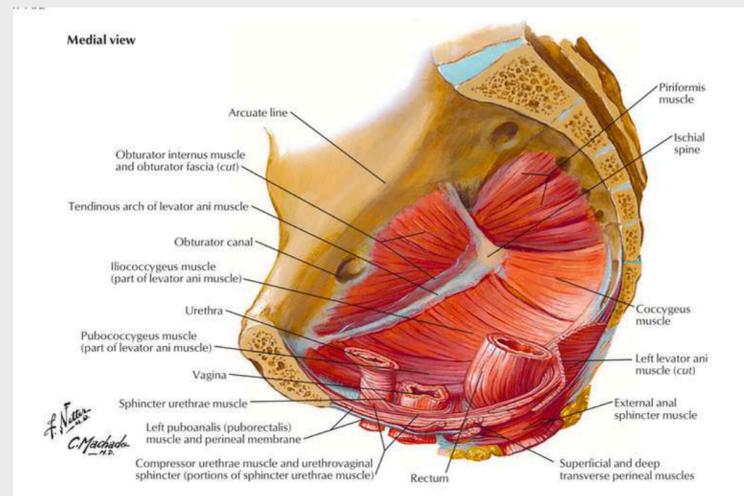
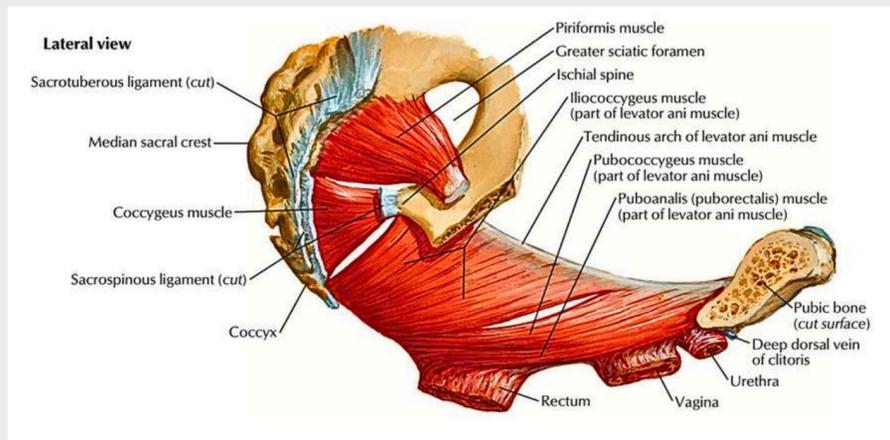
- A) Tip of coccyx
- B) Sacrotuberous ligaments
- C) Ischial tuberosities
- D) Inferior pubic symphysis

Foramina

- A) Greater sciatic foramen
- B) Lesser sciatic foramen
- C) Obturator canal

Key points about the bony pelvis		Table quiz
Bones	Hip bone: Ilium, ischium, pubis Sacrum Coccyx	
Hip bone	Acetabulum, ischiopubic ramus, obturator foramen, greater sciatic notch, greater sciatic foramen	
Ilium	Body of ilium, ala, gluteal surface, sacropelvic surface	
Ischium	Body of ischium, ramus of ischium, ischial spine, lesser sciatic notch, lesser sciatic foramen	
Pubis	Body of pubis, superior pubic ramus, inferior pubic ramus	
Sacrum	Base of sacrum, apex of sacrum, lateral part, pelvic surface, dorsal surface	
Coccyx	Base of coccyx, coccygeal horn, apex of coccyx	
Joints	Sacroiliac joint, pubic symphysis, lumbosacral joint, sacrococcygeal symphysis, hip joint	

Pelvic and Acetabulum



MUSCLE	MUSCLE GROUP	PROXIMAL ATTACHMENT (ORIGIN)	DISTAL ATTACHMENT (INSERTION)	INNERVATION	BLOOD SUPPLY	MAIN ACTIONS
Bulbospongiosus	Perineal	<i>Male:</i> median raphe, bulb of penis, perineal body <i>Female:</i> perineal body	<i>Male:</i> perineal membrane, corpus cavernosum, bulb of penis <i>Female:</i> dorsum of clitoris, inferior fascia of urogenital diaphragm, bulb of vestibule, pubic arch	Deep branch of perineal nerve from pudendal nerve	Internal pudendal artery and its branch (perineal artery)	<i>Male:</i> compresses bulb of penis, forces blood into body of penis during erection, removes urine from urethra and semen during ejaculation <i>Female:</i> constricts vaginal orifice, assists in expressing secretions of greater vestibular gland, forces blood into body of clitoris
Coccygeus	Pelvic floor	Ischial spine, sacrospinous ligament	Inferior sacrum, coccyx	Anterior rami of lower sacral nerves	Inferior gluteal artery	Supports pelvic viscera, draws coccyx forward
Compressor urethrae (female only)	Perineal	Ischiopubic ramus	Anterior aspect of urethra	Perineal branches of pudendal nerve	Perineal branch of internal pudendal artery	Sphincter of urethra
Cremaster	Spermatic cord	Lower edge of internal abdominal oblique and middle of inguinal ligament	Pubic tubercle, crest of pubis	Genital branch of genitofemoral nerve	Cremasteric branch of inferior epigastric artery	Retracts testicle
Deep transverse perineal	Perineal	Inner surface of inferior ischial rami	<i>Male:</i> medial tendinous raphe and perineal body <i>Female:</i> sides of vagina	Perineal branches of pudendal nerve	Perineal branch of internal pudendal artery	Stabilizes perineal body, supports prostate gland/vagina
External anal sphincter	Perineal	Tip of coccyx, anococcygeal ligament	Deeper fibers surround anal canal, attach posteriorly to coccyx and anteriorly to central point of perineum	Perineal and inferior rectal branches of pudendal nerve	Inferior rectal and transverse perineal artery	Closes anal orifice
Iliacus	Anterior thigh	Superior 2/3 of iliac fossa, ala of sacrum, anterior sacroiliac ligaments	Lesser trochanter of femur and body inferior to it, to psoas major tendon	Femoral nerve	Iliac branches of iliolumbar artery	Flexes thigh at hips and stabilizes hip joint, acts with psoas major
Ischiocavernosus	Perineal	Inferior internal surface of ischiopubic ramus, ischial tuberosity	Crus of penis or clitoris	Deep branch of perineal nerve from pudendal nerve	Internal pudendal artery and its branch (perineal artery)	Forces blood into body of penis and clitoris during erection
Levator ani (iliococcygeus, pubococcygeus, and puboanalis)	Pelvic floor	Body of pubis, tendinous arch of obturator fascia, ischial spine	Perineal body, coccyx, anococcygeal raphe, walls of prostate gland or vagina, rectum, anal canal	Anterior rami of lower sacral nerves, perineal nerve	Inferior gluteal artery, internal pudendal artery and its branches (inferior rectal and perineal arteries)	Supports pelvic viscera, raises pelvic floor
Obturator internus	Gluteal region	Pelvic surface of obturator foramen and surrounding bone	Medial surface of greater trochanter of femur	Nerve to obturator internus muscle	Internal pudendal and obturator arteries	Laterally rotates extended thigh, abducts flexed thigh at hip
Piriformis	Gluteal region	Anterior surface of sacral segments 2-4, sacrotuberous ligament	Superior border of greater trochanter of femur	Anterior rami of L5, S1, S2	Superior and inferior gluteal arteries, internal pudendal artery	Laterally rotates extended thigh, abducts flexed thigh at hip
Sphincter urethrae	Perineal	External fibers from junction of inferior pubic and ischial rami and adjacent fascia; internal fibers pass medially to surround membranous urethra	<i>Male:</i> median raphe in front and behind urethra <i>Female:</i> encloses urethra, attaches to sides of vagina	Perineal branches of pudendal nerve	Perineal branch of internal pudendal artery	Compresses urethra at end of micturition; in female also compresses distal vagina
Sphincter urethrovaginalis (female only)	Perineal	Perineal body	Passes forward and anteriorly around urethra	Perineal branches of pudendal nerve	Perineal branch of pudendal artery	Sphincter of urethra and vagina
Superficial transverse perineal	Perineal	Ischial rami and tuberosities	Central tendon (perineal body)	Perineal branches of pudendal nerve	Perineal branch of internal pudendal artery	Stabilizes central tendon

Pelvic and Acetabulum

A) False → above pelvic brim

B) True → below pelvic brim (obstetric importance)

Pelvic Joints

A) SI joint

B) Pubic symphysis

C) Lumbosacral joint

Pelvic Ligaments

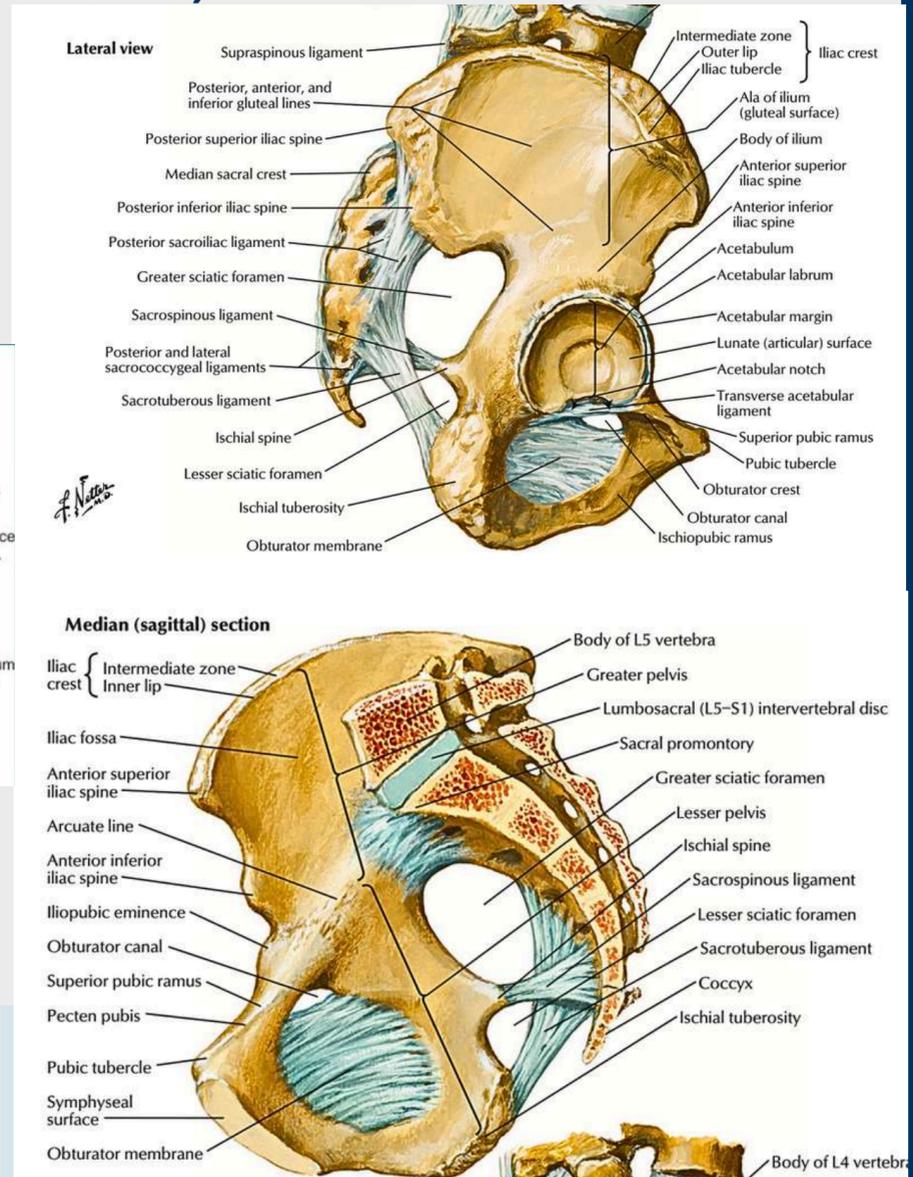
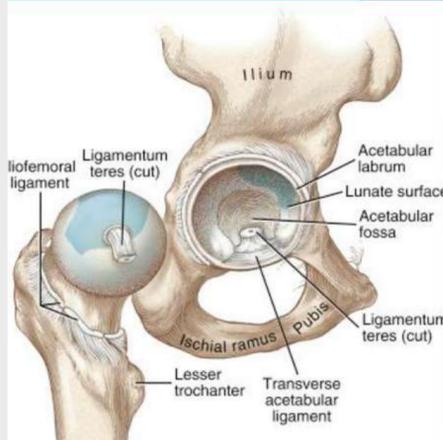
A) Sacrospinous

B) Sacrotuberous

C) Sacroiliac (ant/post/interosseous)

D) Iliolumbar

E) Superior & inferior pubic



Main Arteries

A) Common iliac

B) Internal iliac → anterior & posterior divisions

C) External iliac → femoral

Main Nerves (Lumbosacral Plexus)

A) Sciatic

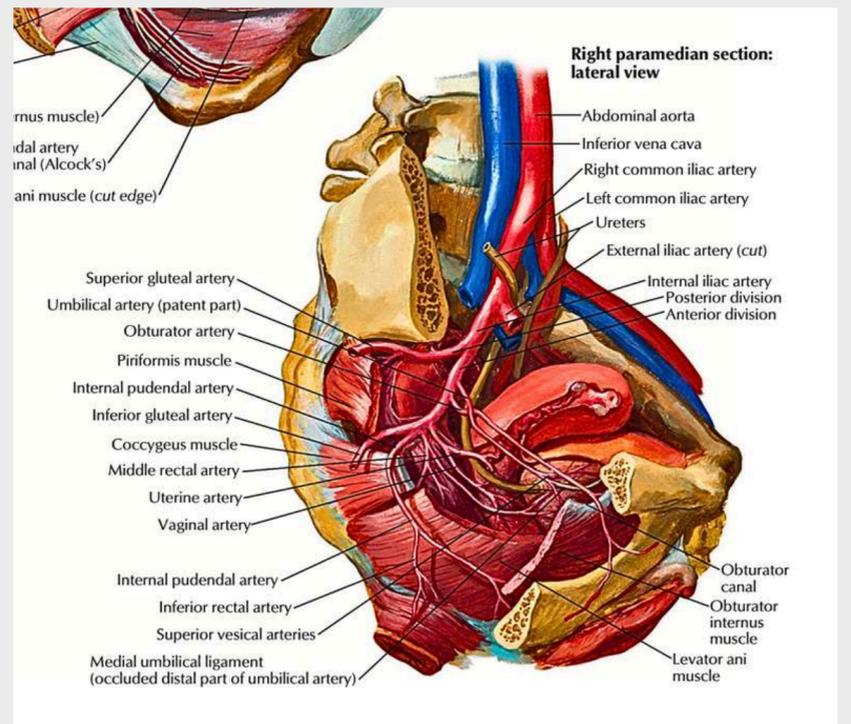
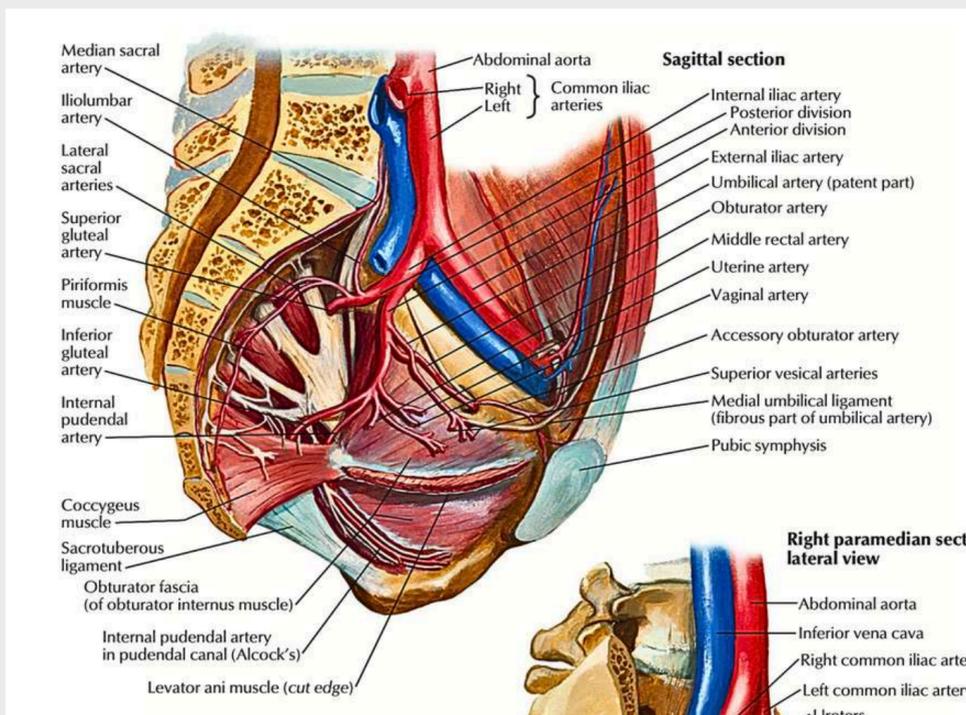
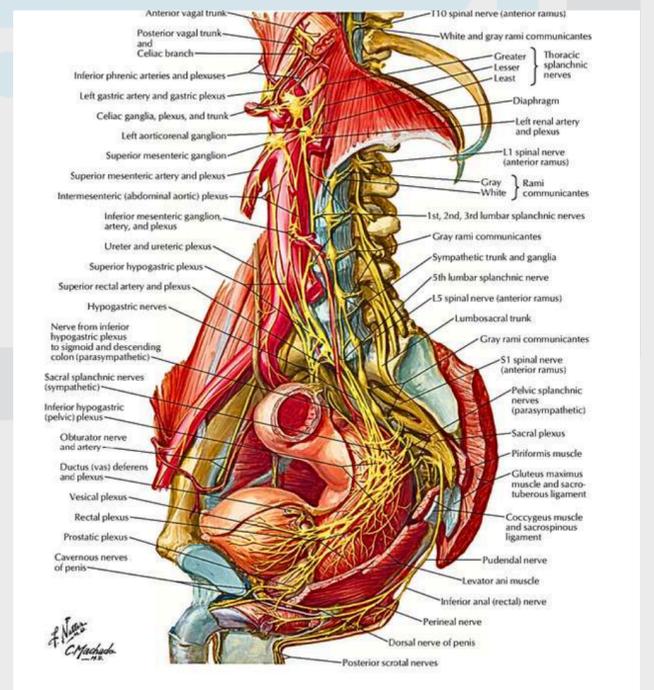
B) Pudendal

C) Superior gluteal

D) Inferior gluteal

E) Obturator

F) Femoral



Hip

Joint type	Synovial ball-and-socket joint
Articulating surfaces	Head of femur, lunate surface of acetabulum
Ligaments	Capsular: Iliofemoral, pubofemoral, ischiofemoral ligaments Intracapsular: Transverse ligament of acetabulum, ligament of head of femur
Movements	Flexion, extension, abduction, adduction, lateral/external rotation, medial/internal rotation and circumduction

Iliofemoral ligament

- Strongest ligament of the joint Y-shaped
- From AIIS → intertrochanteric line
- Prevents hyperextension
- Covers the anterior neck

Pubofemoral ligament

- From superior pubic ramus → lower intertrochanteric line
- Covers the anteroinferior neck
- Limits excessive abduction

Ischiofemoral ligament

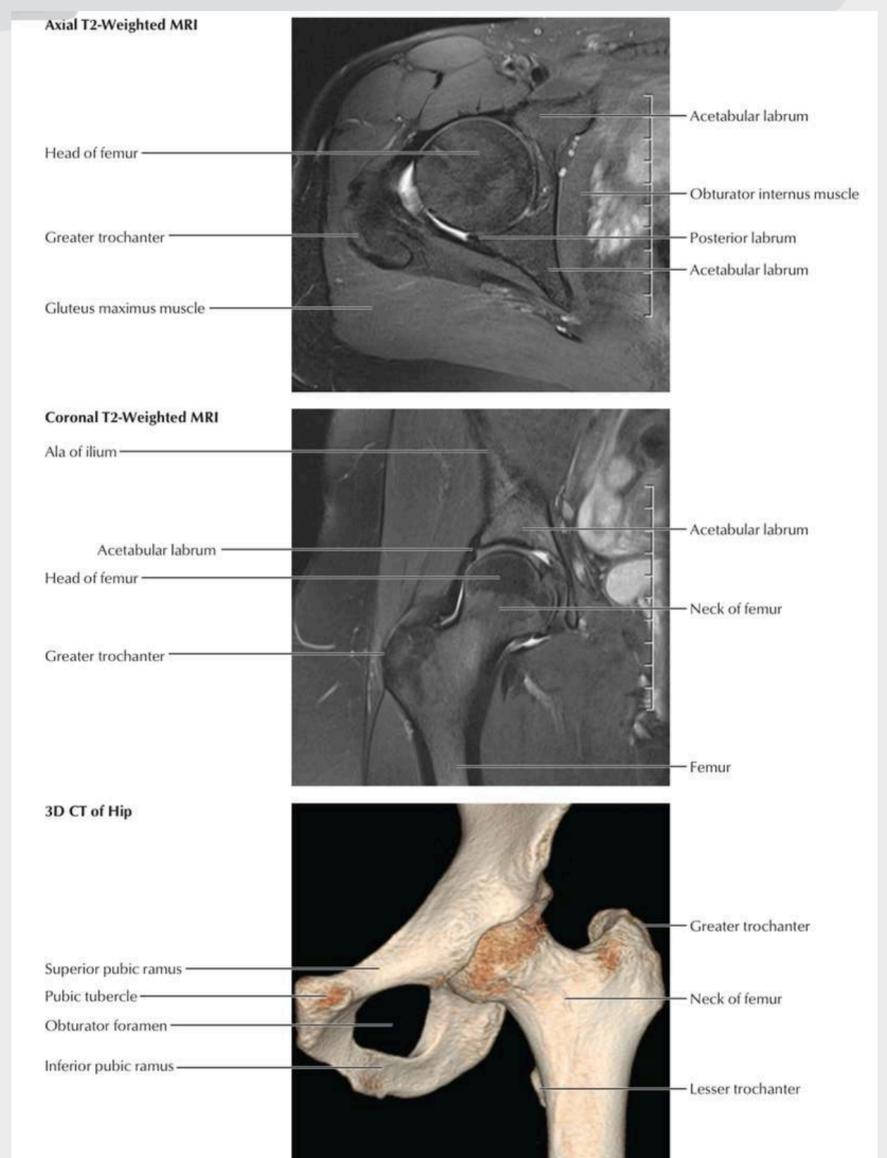
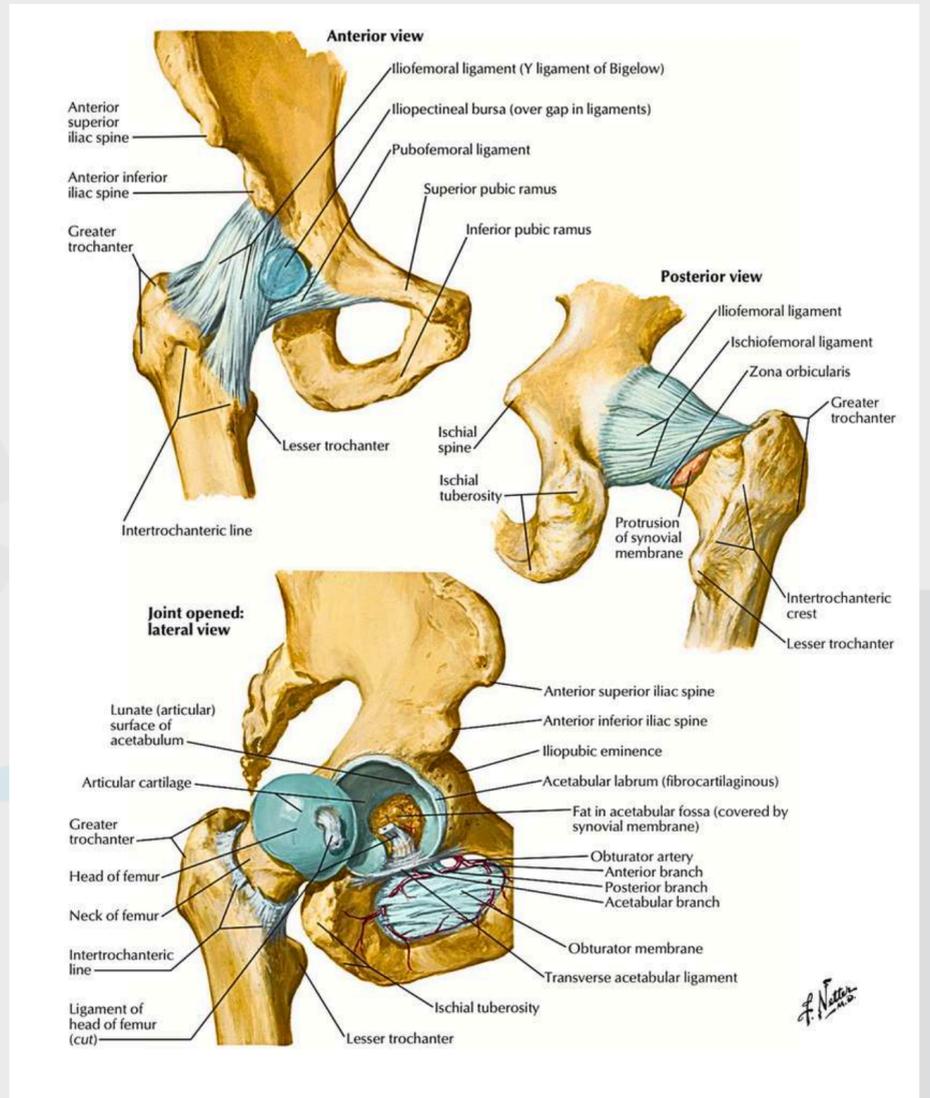
- Posterior
- From ischium → posterior femoral neck
- Weakest
- Spiral fibers around the neck
- Limits excessive internal rotation

Zona orbicularis (annular ligament)

- Circumferential fibers
- Forms a 360° ring around the femoral neck
- Part of the capsule
- Acts like a buttonhole mechanism for stability

Ligamentum teres (ligament of head of femur)

- From acetabulum → fovea capitis
- Contains artery to the head of femur (minor in adults)



Hip

Hip Flexion

- A) Iliopsoas (major)
- B) Rectus femoris
- C) Weak: Pectineus – TFL – Sartorius
- D) Assist: Adductor longus & brevis

Hip Extension

- A) Gluteus maximus
- B) Assist: Hamstrings (BF – ST – SM)
- C) Adductor magnus

Hip Abduction

- A) Gluteus medius & minimus
- B) Assist: TFL – Piriformis – Sartorius

Hip Adduction

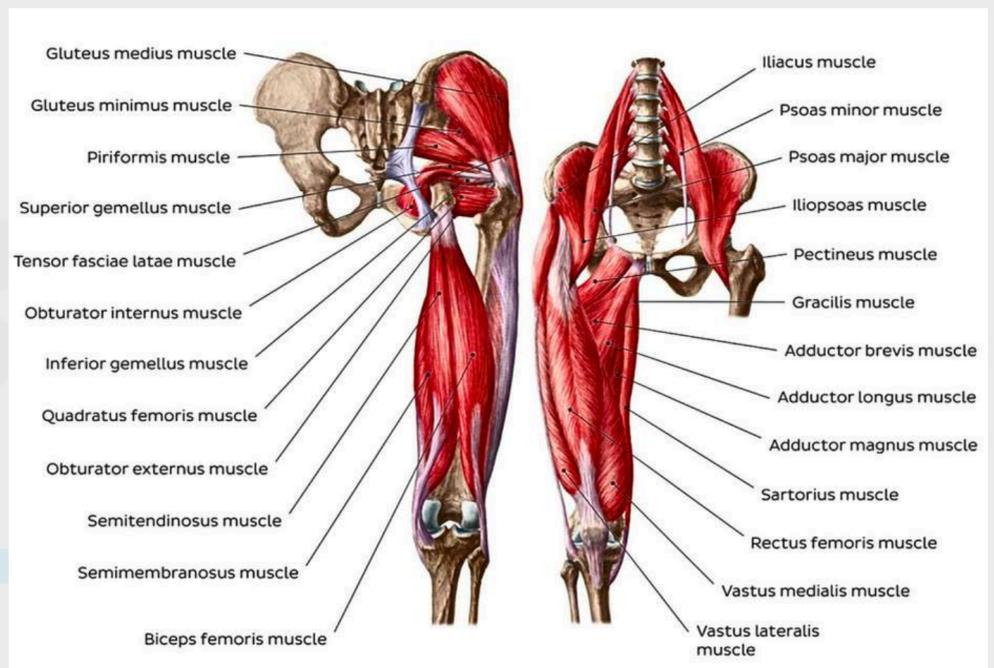
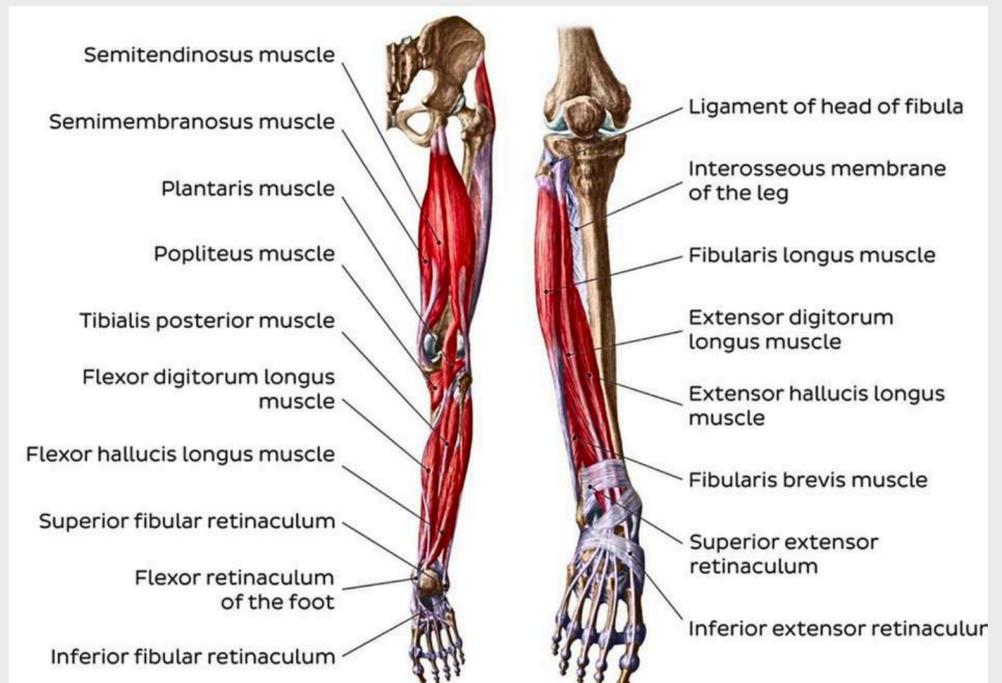
- A) Adductors (Longus – Brevis – Magnus)
- B) Gracilis
- C) Assist: Pectineus – Quadratus femoris – Inf fibers G. maximus

Internal Rotation

- A) Ant fibers: Gluteus medius & minimus
- B) Assist: TFL – Most adductors

External Rotation

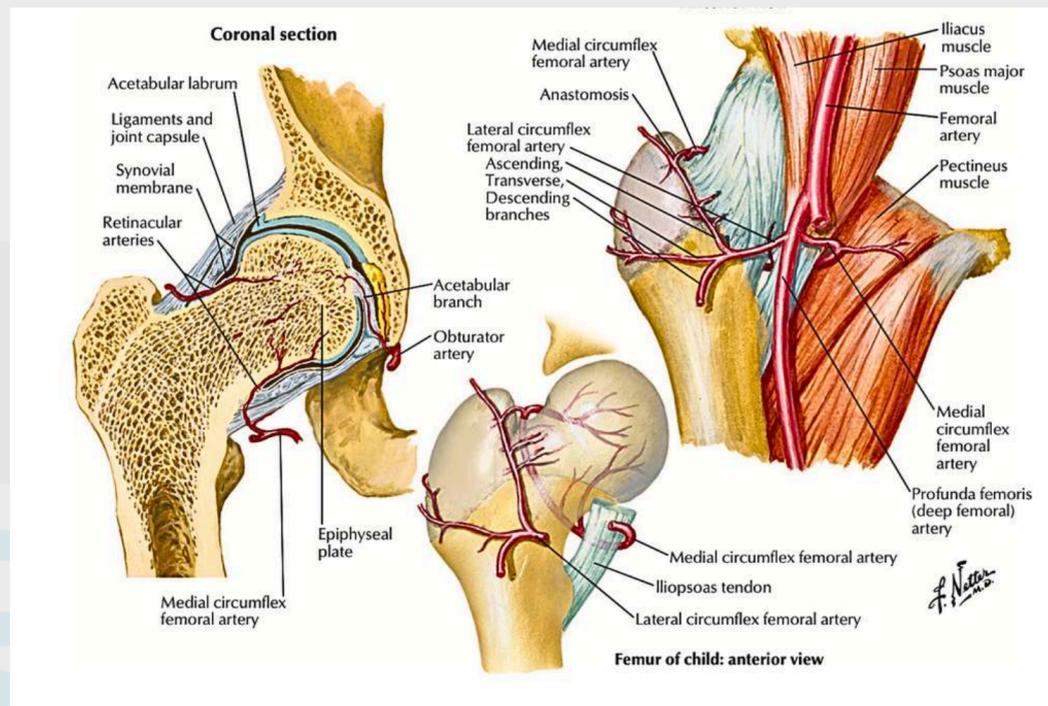
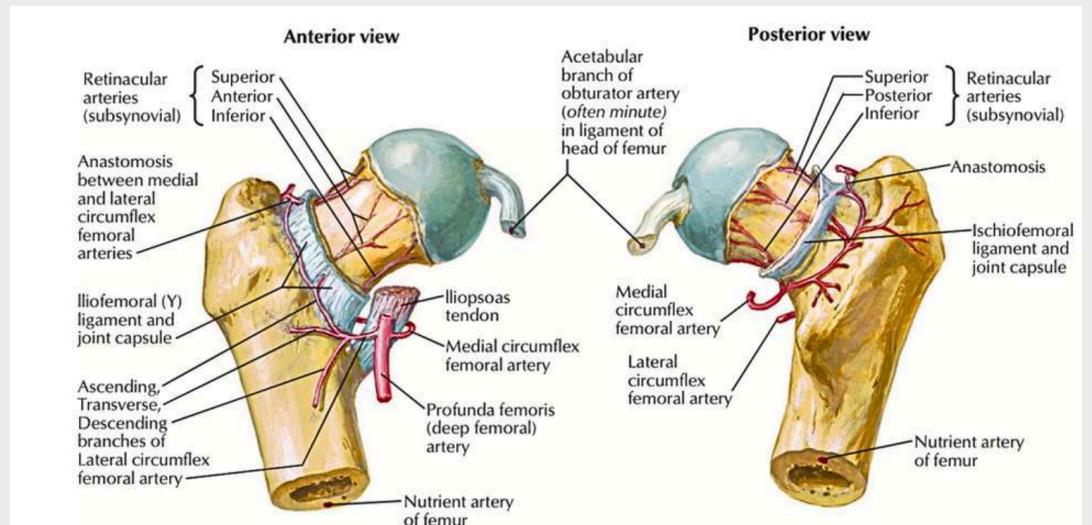
- A) Gluteus maximus
- B) 6 lateral rotators: Piriformis – Obturator int – Obturator ext – Sup gemellus – Inf gemellus – Quadratus femoris



Hip

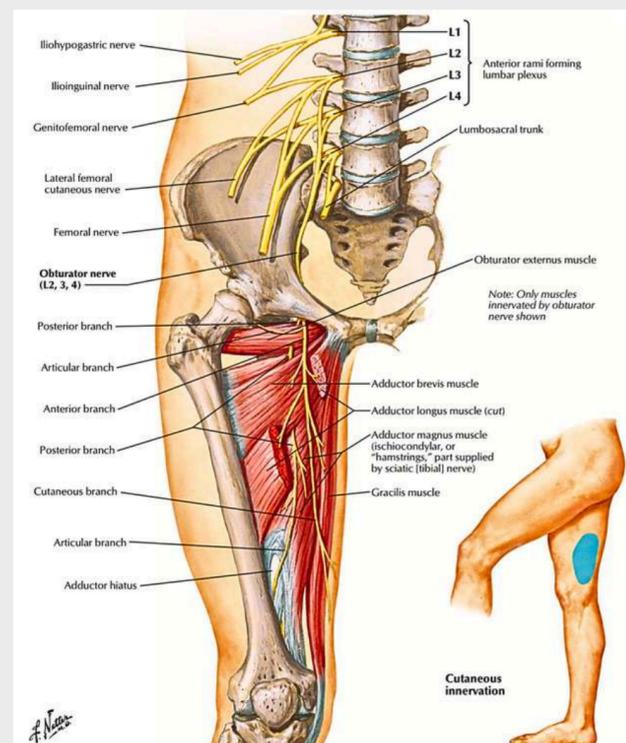
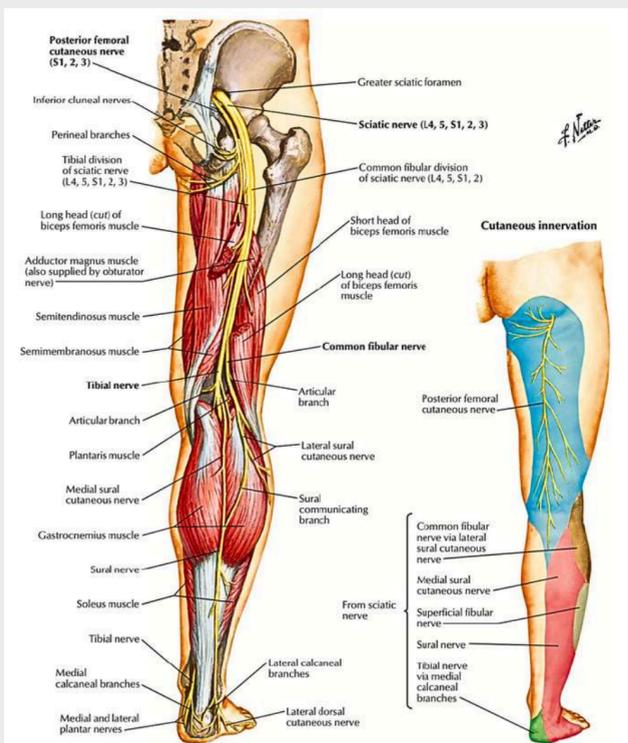
Key arteries and their contributions :

- **Medial and lateral circumflex femoral arteries:** These are the most significant contributors, arising from the profunda femoris artery. They form a ring around the femoral neck, sending branches to supply the head and neck of the femur.
- **Obturator artery:** A branch from the posterior division of the obturator artery, called the **foveal artery**, travels in the ligament of the head of the femur and provides a blood supply to the femoral head.
- **Superior and inferior gluteal arteries:** These also contribute to the blood supply around the hip joint.
- **Femoral artery:** While the profunda femoris is a branch of the femoral artery, the femoral artery itself also contributes to the supply of the hip region.



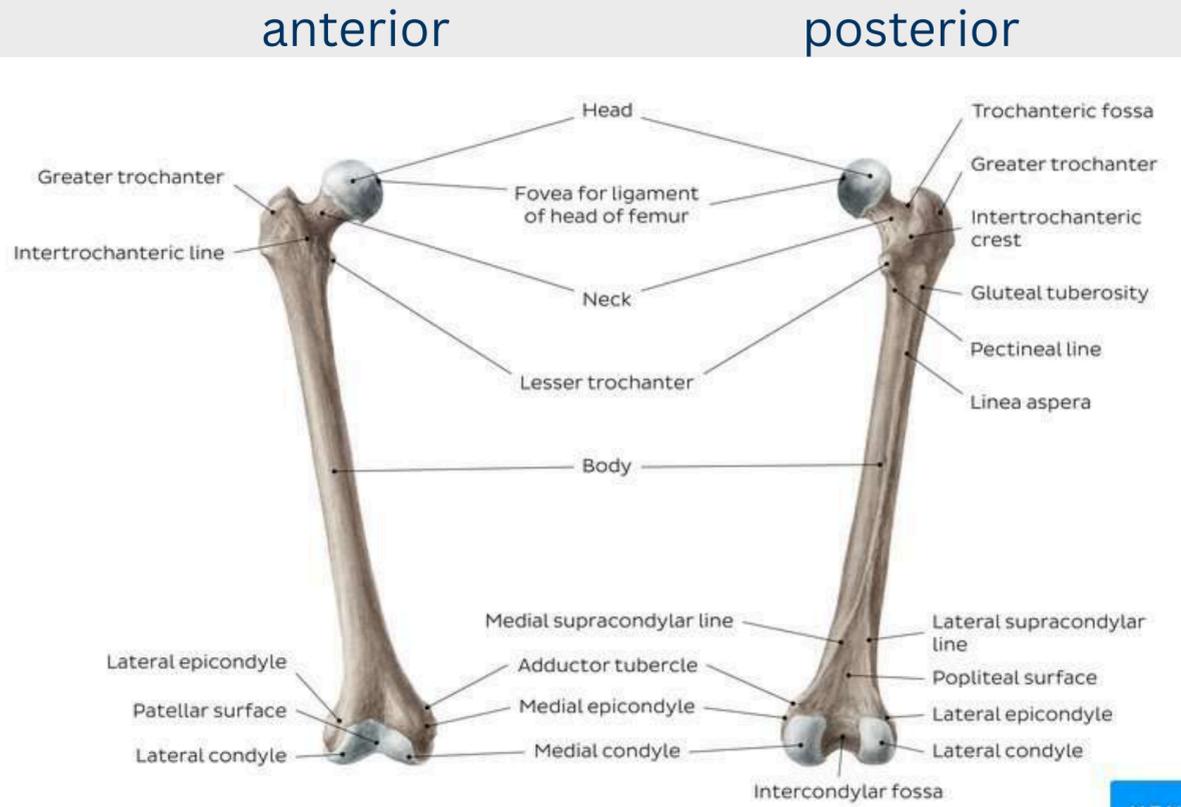
The hip joint is innervated by the articular branches of multiple nerves that emerge from the lumbosacral plexus (L2-S1). The nerve supply to a specific region of the joint typically corresponds to the innervation of the muscle that crosses it:

- The **femoral nerve** innervates the anterior aspect
- The **obturator nerve** supplies the inferior aspect
- The **superior gluteal nerve** supplies the superior aspect
- The nerve to the **quadratus femoris** innervates the posterior aspect.



Lower limb

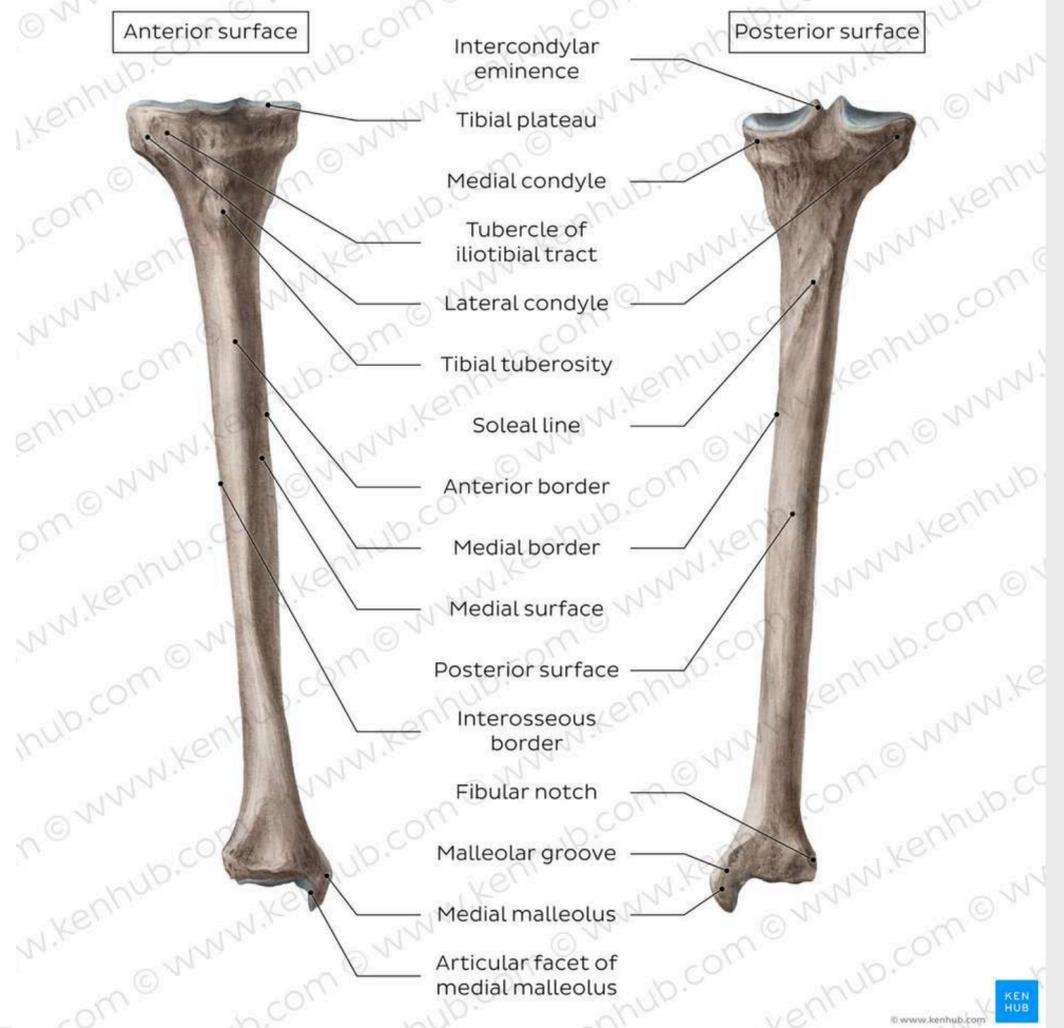
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Tibia



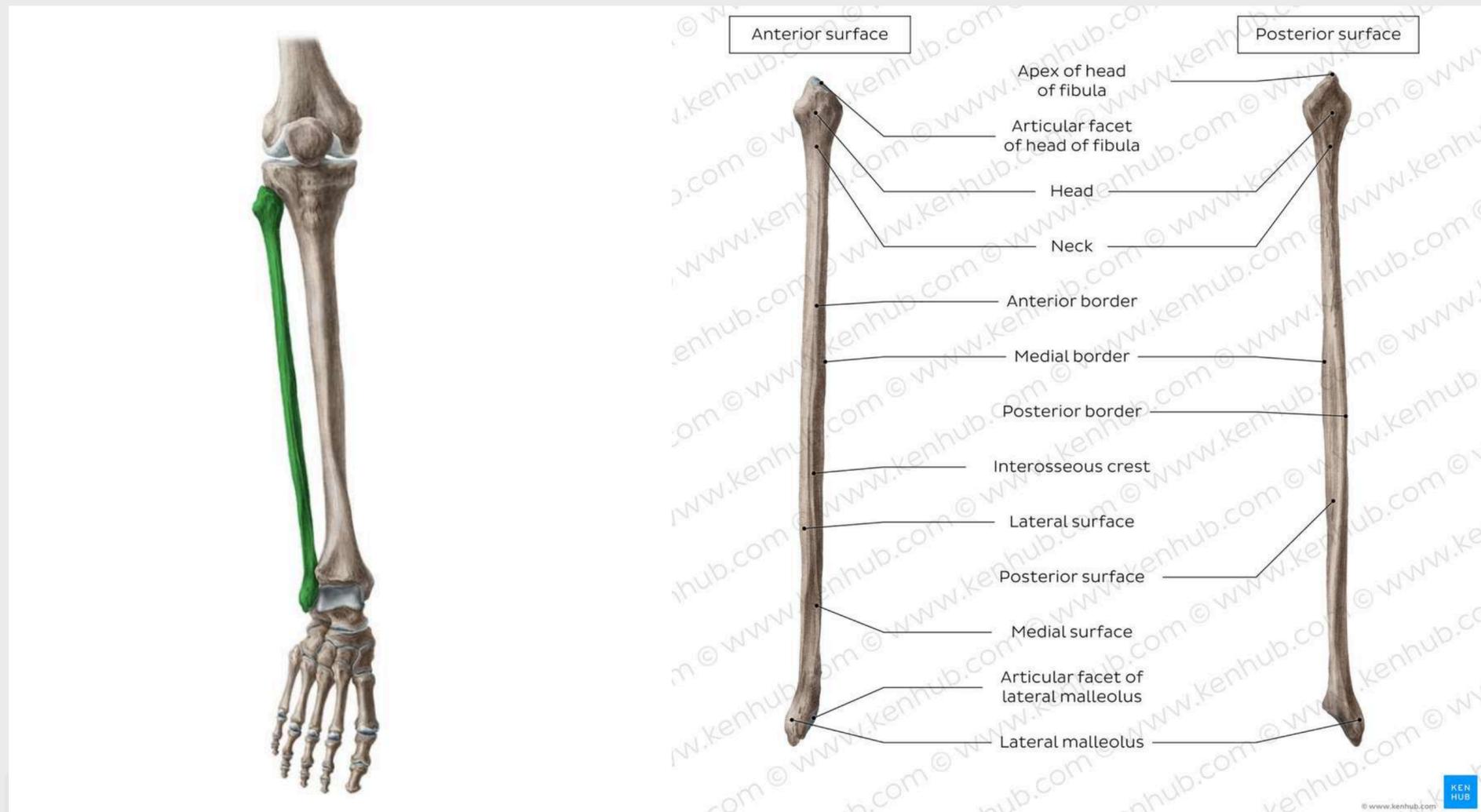
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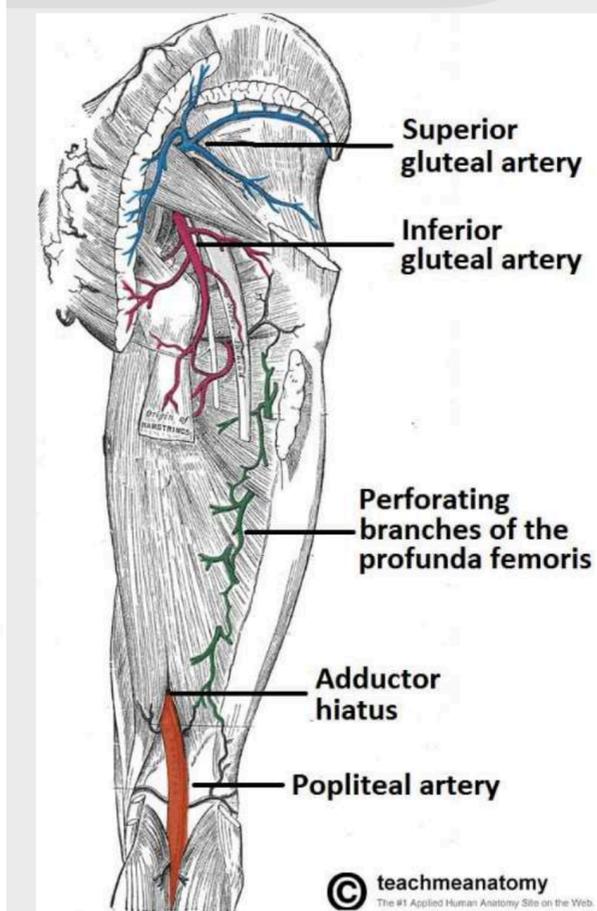
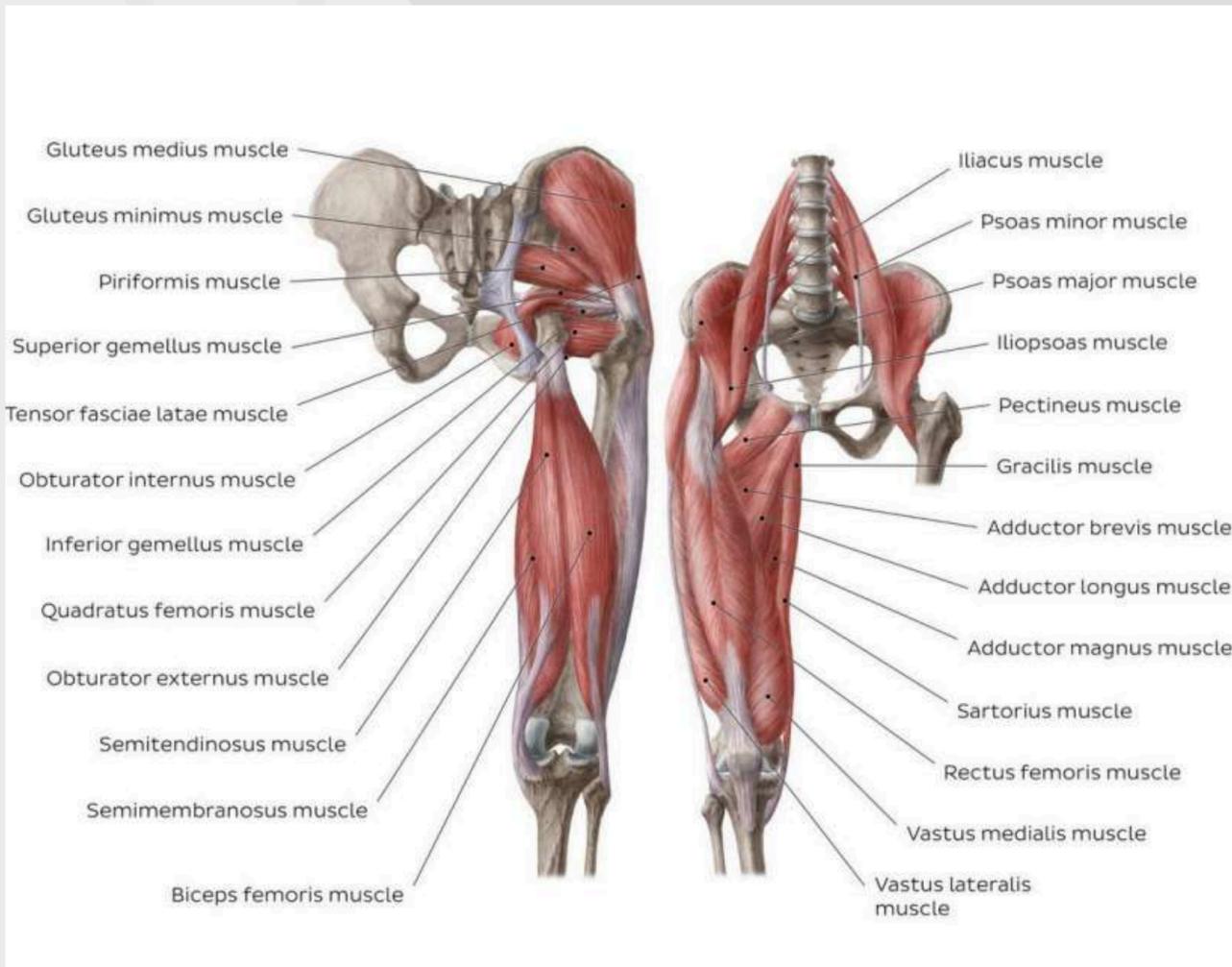
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Lower limb

Fibula



Hip and thigh



● FEMUR — Blood Supply & Innervation

Blood Supply

Femoral head & neck

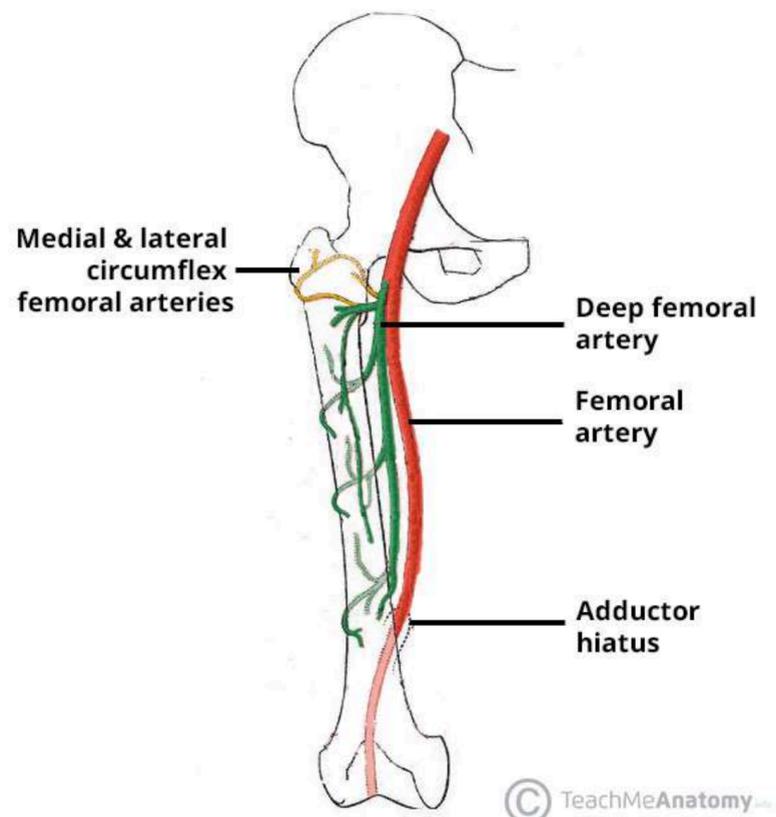
- Medial femoral circumflex artery (MFCA) → *retinacular branches* (main)
- Lateral femoral circumflex artery (secondary)
- Obturator artery → acetabular branch (important in children)

Femoral shaft

- Nutrient artery from profunda femoris
- Perforating branches of profunda femoris
- Periosteal vessels

Innervation

- Femoral nerve → supplies periosteum anteriorly
- Obturator nerve → medial periosteum
- Sciatic nerve → posterior shaft periosteum
- Pain from femur fractures = periosteal nerve pain



● TIBIA — Blood Supply & Innervation

Blood Supply

Shaft

- Nutrient artery from posterior tibial artery (very large)
- Periosteal branches from anterior tibial artery (anterior surface)

Proximal tibia

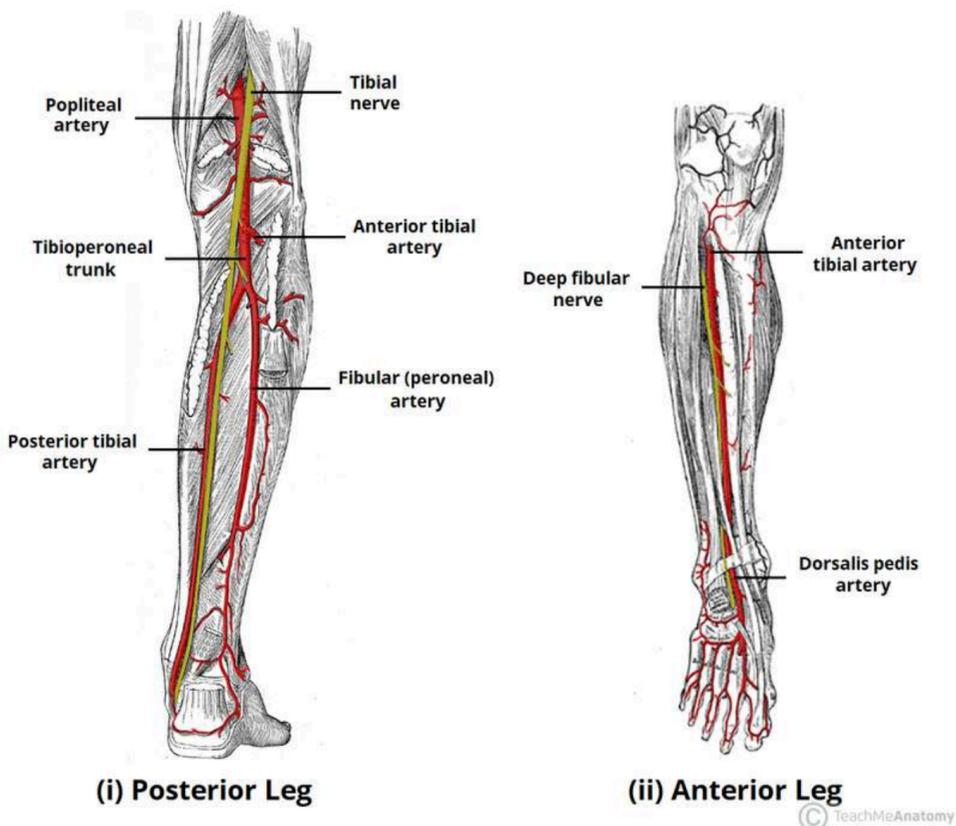
- Genicular arteries (from popliteal)

Distal tibia

- Anterior tibial artery
- Posterior tibial artery (malleolar branches)

Innervation

- Periosteum of tibia:
 - Deep fibular nerve → anterior surface
 - Tibial nerve → posterior surface
 - Saphenous nerve → medial edge



● FIBULA — Blood Supply & Innervation

Blood Supply

Shaft

- Nutrient artery from fibular (peroneal) artery
- Periosteal branches from fibular & anterior tibial arteries

Proximal fibula

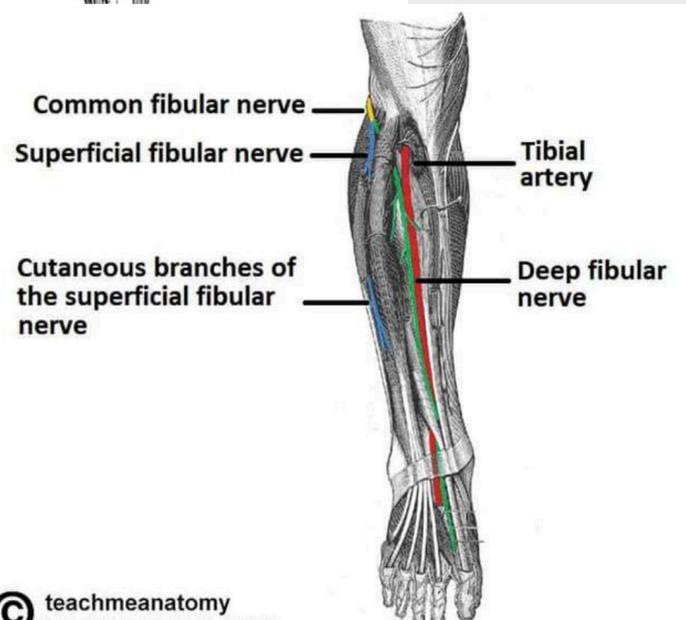
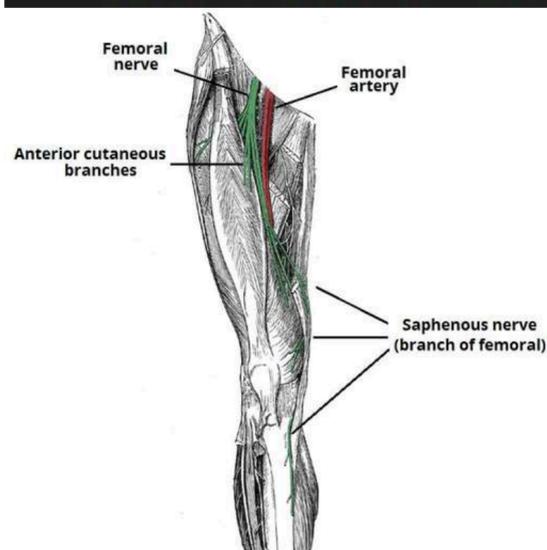
- Anterior tibial artery (main)
- Fibular artery (minor)

Distal fibula

- Fibular artery
- Lateral malleolar branches (from anterior tibial artery)

Innervation

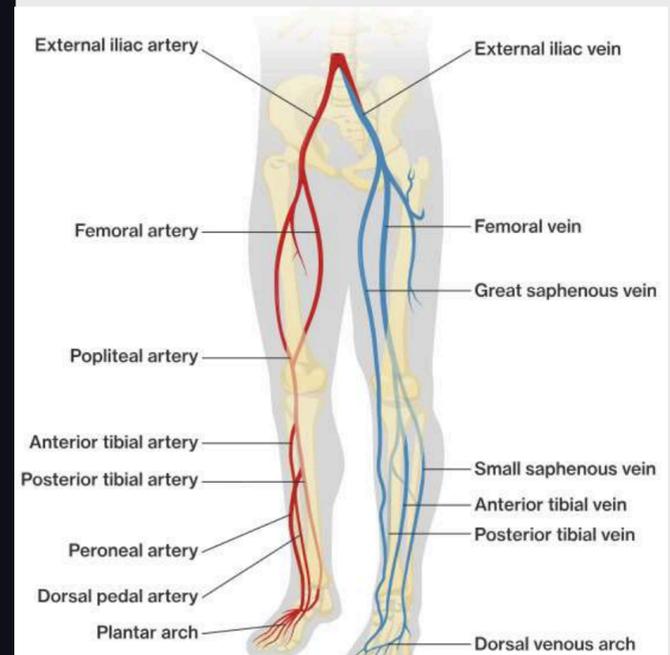
- Common fibular nerve → most of the fibular periosteum
- Deep fibular nerve (anterior distal part)
- Superficial fibular nerve (lateral distal part)



Blood supply course of lower limb

A more detailed flow path is as follows:

1. **Aorta** → **Common Iliac Artery**
2. **Common Iliac Artery** → **External Iliac Artery** → (Internal Iliac Artery supplies pelvis/glutes)
3. **External Iliac Artery** → **Femoral Artery** (at inguinal ligament)
4. **Femoral Artery** → **Deep Femoral Artery** (Profunda Femoris, main thigh supply)
5. **Femoral Artery** (superficial part) → **Popliteal Artery** (behind the knee)
6. **Popliteal Artery** →
 1. **Anterior Tibial Artery** → **Dorsalis Pedis Artery** (top of foot)
 2. **Posterior Tibial Artery** → **Medial & Lateral Plantar Arteries** (sole of foot)
 3. **Fibular (Peroneal) Artery** (lateral leg supply)



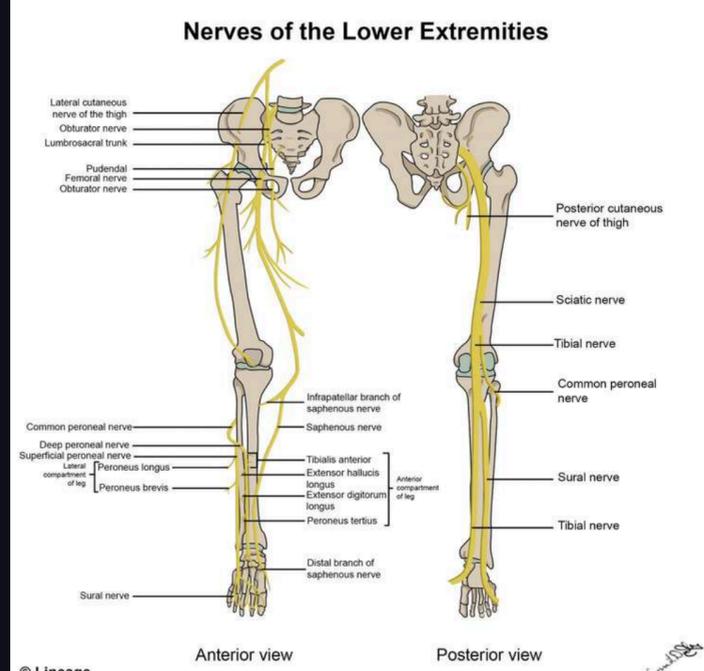
Nerve innervation course of lower limb

From the Sacral Plexus (L4-S4)

These nerves primarily innervate the gluteal region, posterior thigh, leg, and foot:

Spinal Nerve Roots (L4-S4) → Lumbosacral Trunk → Sacral Plexus →

- **Sciatic Nerve (L4-S3)**: The largest nerve in the body, it runs down the posterior thigh.
 - → Posterior thigh muscles (hamstrings and part of adductor magnus).
 - → Divides in the popliteal fossa into:
 - **Tibial Nerve** → Posterior leg and sole of foot.
 - → Posterior leg muscles (gastrocnemius, soleus, etc.).
 - → **Medial Plantar Nerve & Lateral Plantar Nerve** (in the foot).
 - **Common Fibular (Peroneal) Nerve** → Winds around the fibular neck.
 - → Divides into:
 - **Superficial Fibular Nerve** → Lateral leg muscles and skin on top of the foot.
 - **Deep Fibular Nerve** → Anterior leg muscles (tibialis anterior, etc.) and skin between the first and second toes.
- **Superior Gluteal Nerve (L4-S1)**:
 - → Gluteus medius, gluteus minimus, and tensor fascia latae muscles.
- **Inferior Gluteal Nerve (L5-S2)**:
 - → Gluteus maximus muscle.



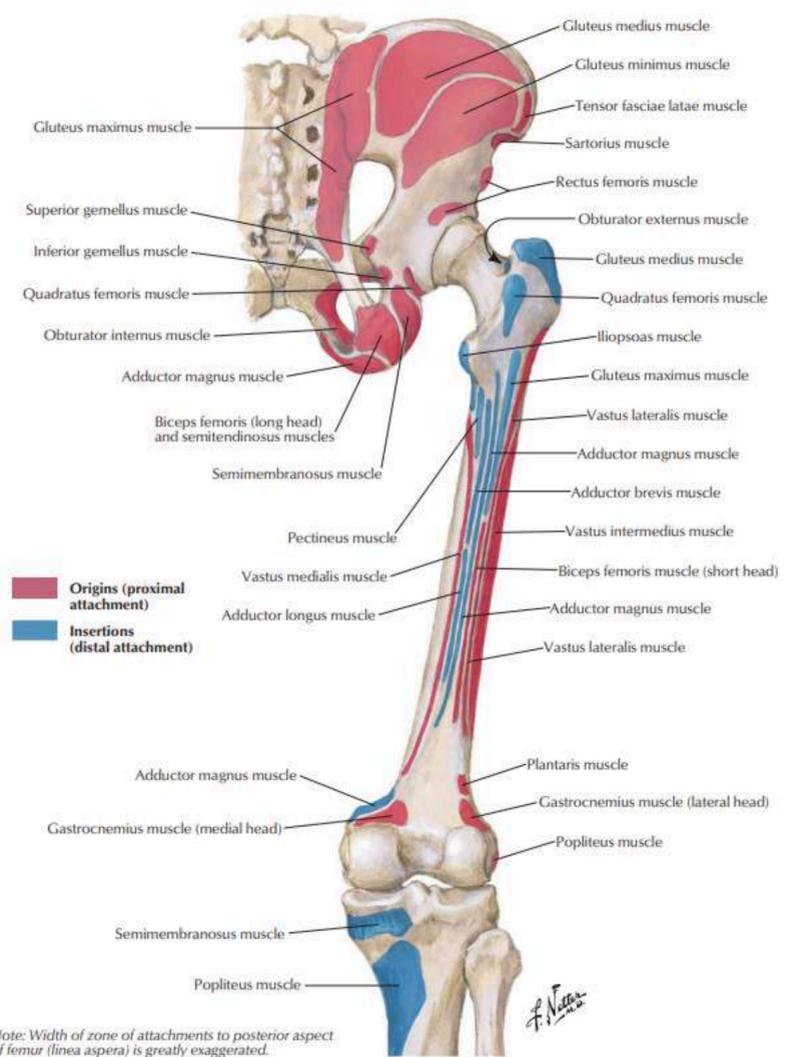
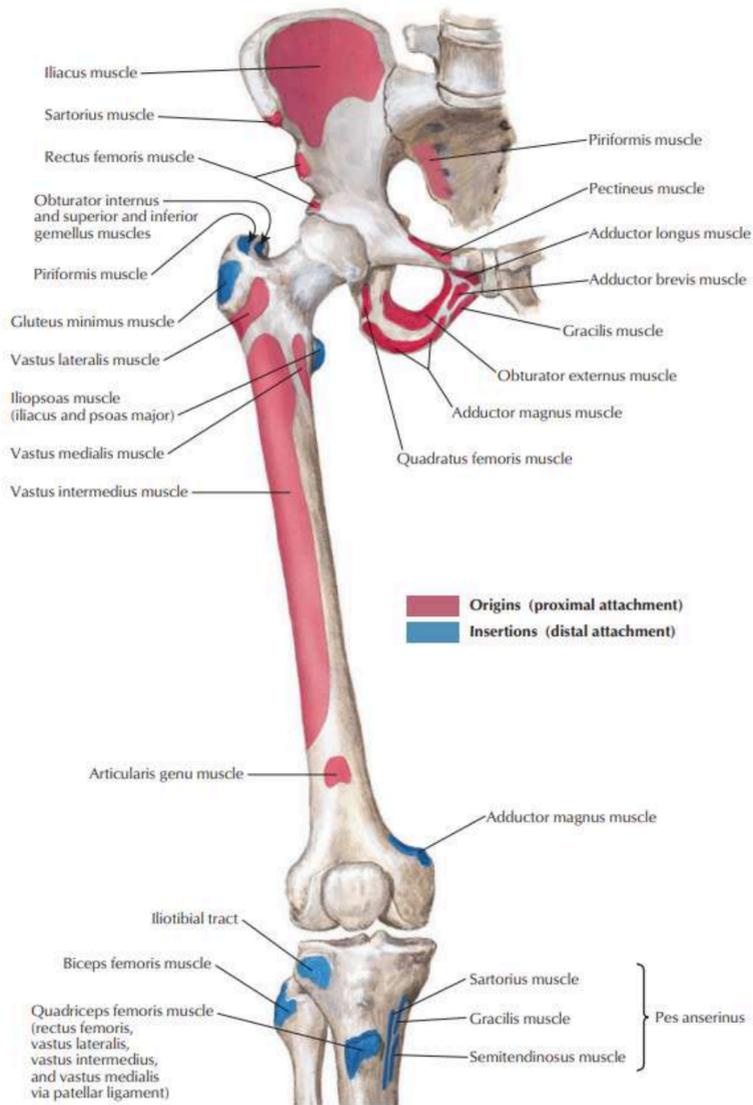
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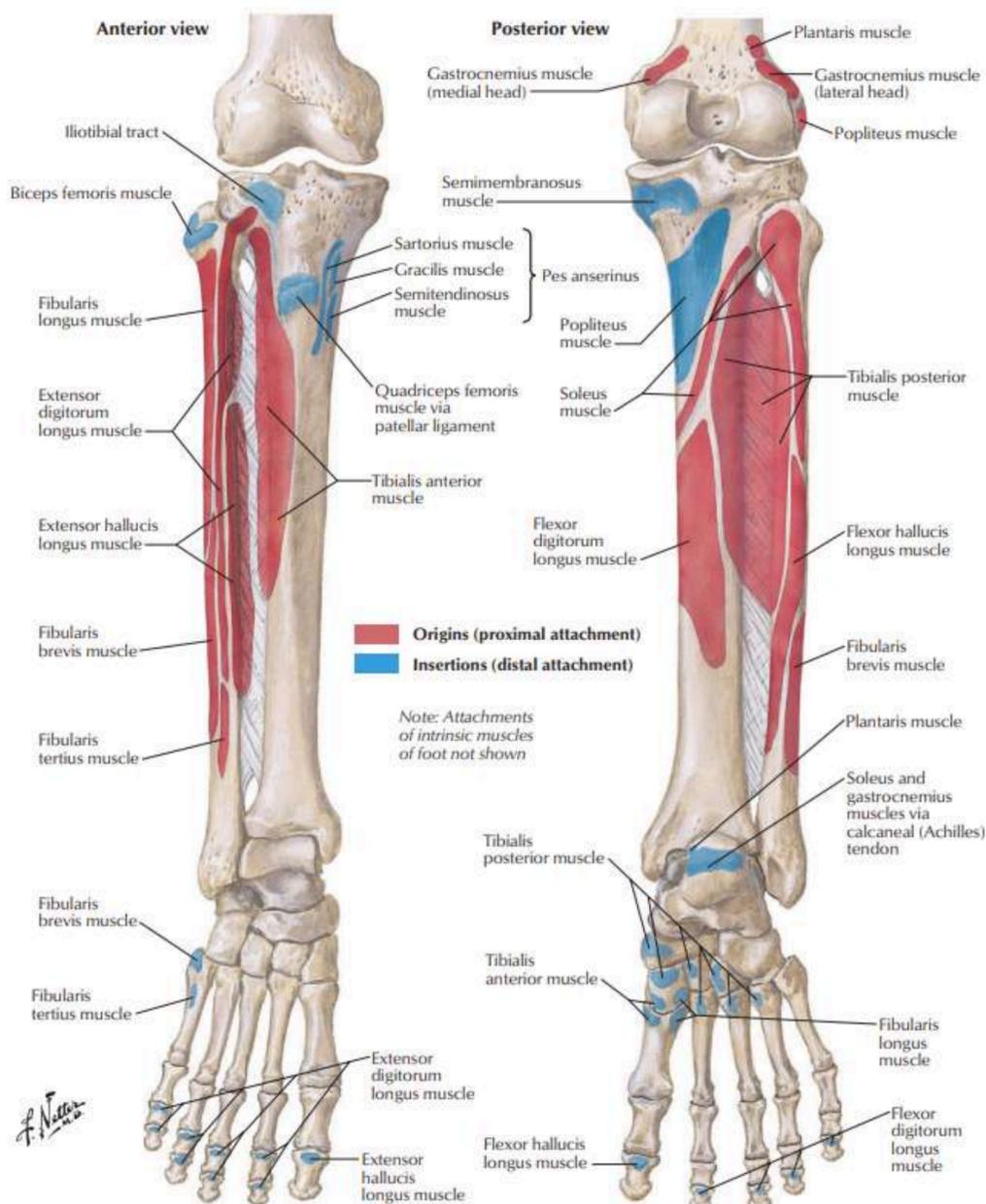
Bony attachments (femur)

anterior

posterior



bony attachments (leg)



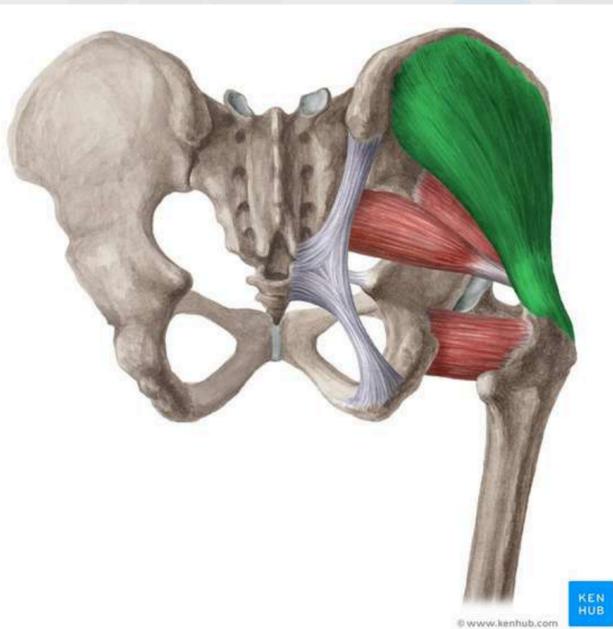
Lower limb

Gluteal muscles

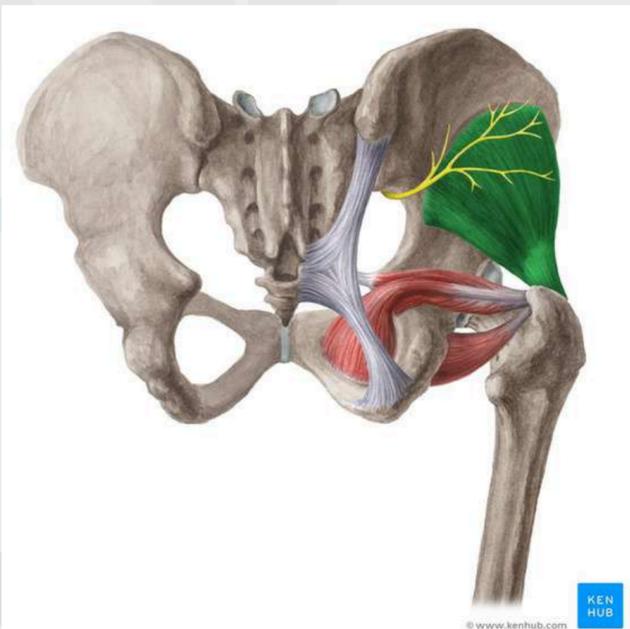
Gluteal Muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Gluteus maximus	Lateroposterior surface of sacrum and coccyx, Gluteal surface of ilium (behind posterior gluteal line), Thoracolumbar fascia, Sacrotuberous ligament	Iliotibial tract, Gluteal tuberosity of femur	Inferior gluteal nerve (L5-S2)	Hip joint: Thigh extension, Thigh external rotation, Thigh abduction (superior part), Thigh adduction (inferior part)
Gluteus medius	Gluteal surface of ilium (between anterior and posterior gluteal lines)	Lateral aspect of greater trochanter of femur	Superior gluteal nerve (L4-S1)	Hip joint: Thigh abduction, Thigh internal rotation (anterior part); Pelvis stabilization
Gluteus minimus	Gluteal surface of ilium (between anterior and inferior gluteal lines)	Anterior aspect of greater trochanter of femur		
Tensor fasciae latae	Anterior superior iliac spine (ASIS), Outer lip of iliac crest	Iliotibial tract		Hip joint: Thigh internal rotation, (Weak abduction); Knee joint: Leg external rotation, (Weak leg flexion/extension); Stabilises hip & knee joints



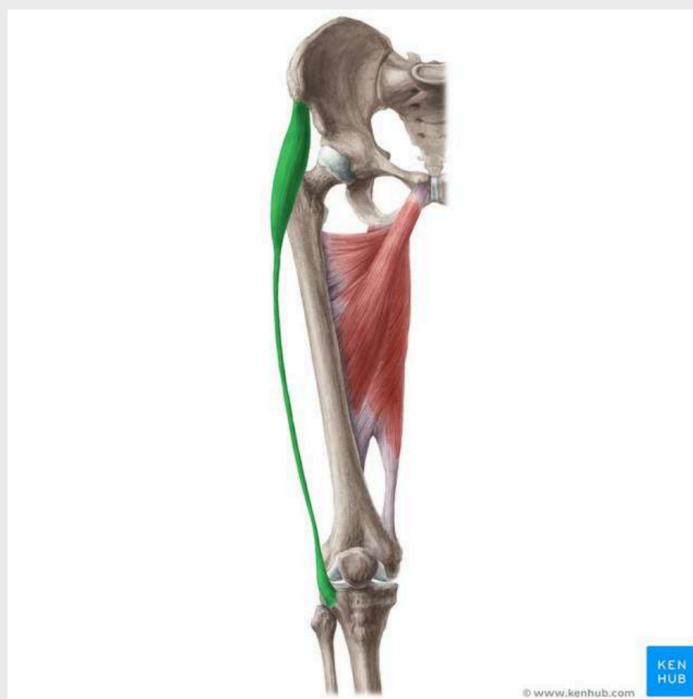
gluteus maximus
Inferior gluteal artery (main)



gluteus medius
Superior gluteal artery



gluteus minimus
Superior gluteal artery



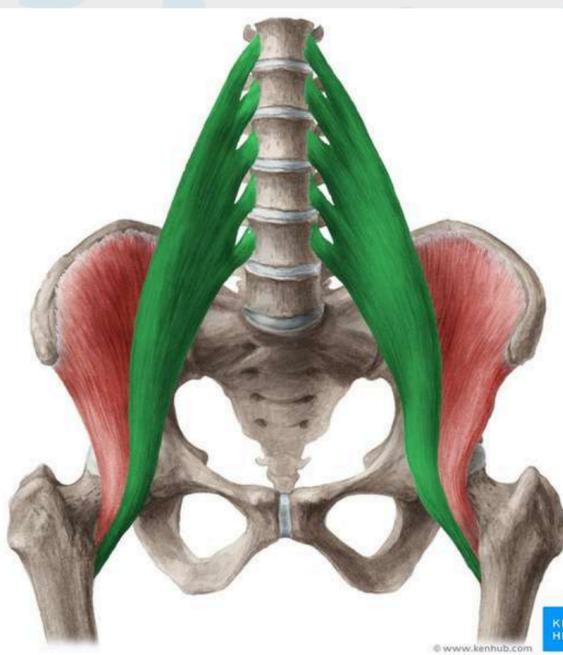
tensor fasciae latae
lateral circumflex femoral artery

Inner hip muscles

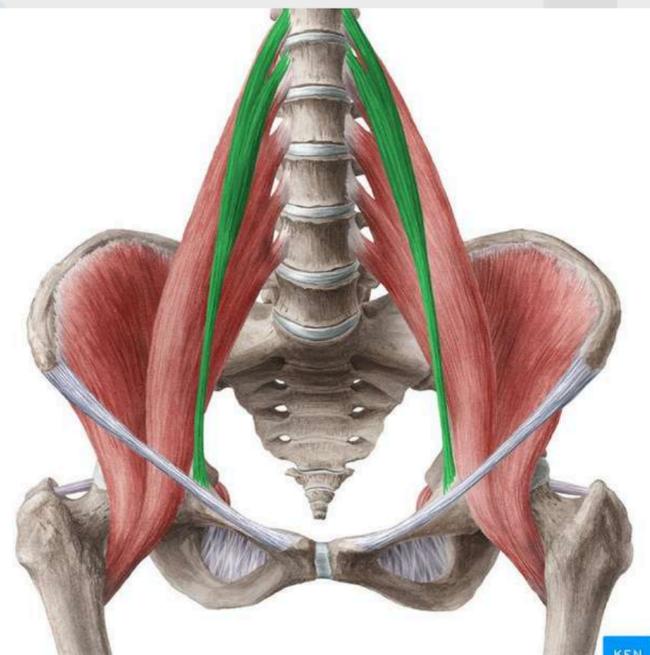
Inner Hip Muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function	
M. Iliacus	Fossa iliaca	Trochanter minor femoris	Nervus femoralis (L1-L3)	Articulatio coxae: Thigh/trunk flexion, Thigh external rotation; Trunk lateral flexion (Psoas major/minor only)	
M. psoas major	Corpus of vertebrae T12-L4, Disci intervertebrales between T12-L4, Processus costales L1-L5				
M. psoas minor	Corpus of vertebrae T12-L1				
M. obturator externus	Anterior surface of membrana obturatoria, Bony boundaries of foramen obturatum	Fossa trochanterica femoris	Nervus obturatorius (L3, L4)	Articulatio coxae: Thigh external rotation, Thigh abduction (from flexed hip); Stabilises head of femur in acetabulum	
M. triceps coxae	M. obturator internus	Ramus ischiopubicus, Facies posterior of membrana obturatoria	Medial aspect of trochanter major femoris		Nervus musculi obturatorii interni (L5-S2)
	M. gemellus superior	Spina ischiadica	Medial surface of trochanter major femoris (via tendo musculi obturatorius internus)		Nervus musculi quadrati femoris (L4-S1)
	M. gemellus inferior	Tuber ischiadicum			
M. piriformis	Facies anterior of os sacrum (between S2-S4), Facies glutea ossis ilii, (Ligamentum sacrotuberale)	Apex of trochanter major femoris	Nervus musculi piriformis (S1-S2)		
M. quadratus femoris	Tuber ischiadicum	Crista intertrochanterica femoris	Nervus musculi quadrati femoris (L4-S1)	Articulatio coxae: Thigh external rotation; Stabilises head of femur in acetabulum	



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Iliolumbar artery



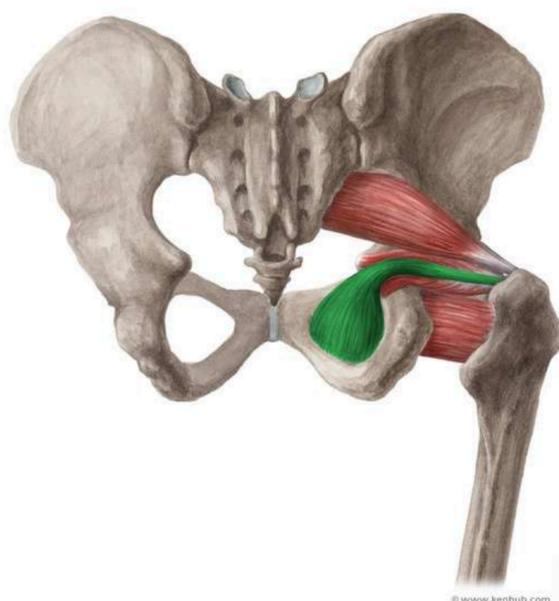
psoas major
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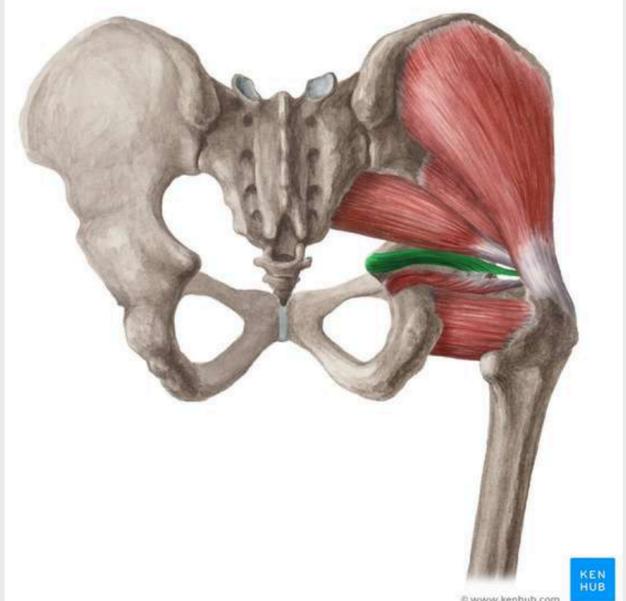
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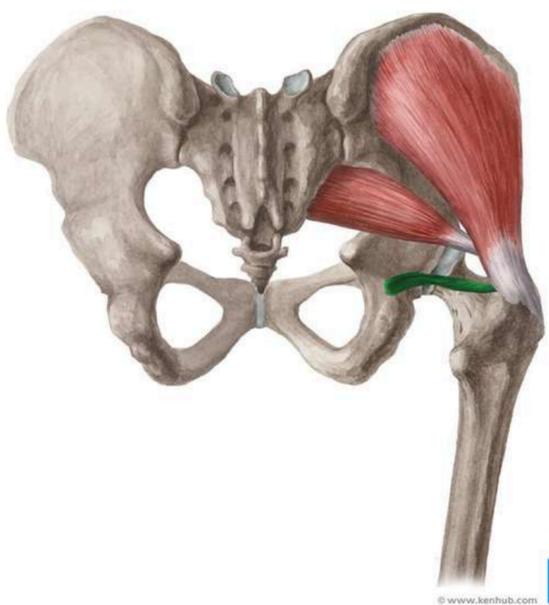
obturator externus
Medial circumflex femoral artery, obturator artery



obturator internus
Internal pudendal and obturator a.

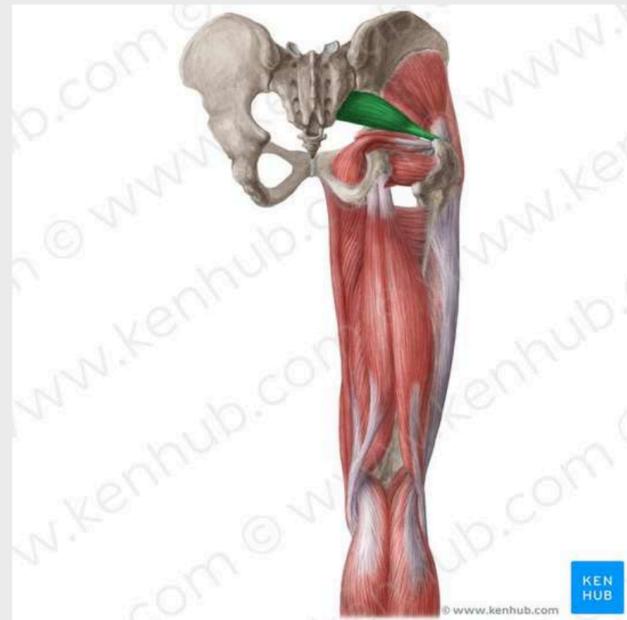


superior gemellus
Inferior gluteal and internal pudendal a.



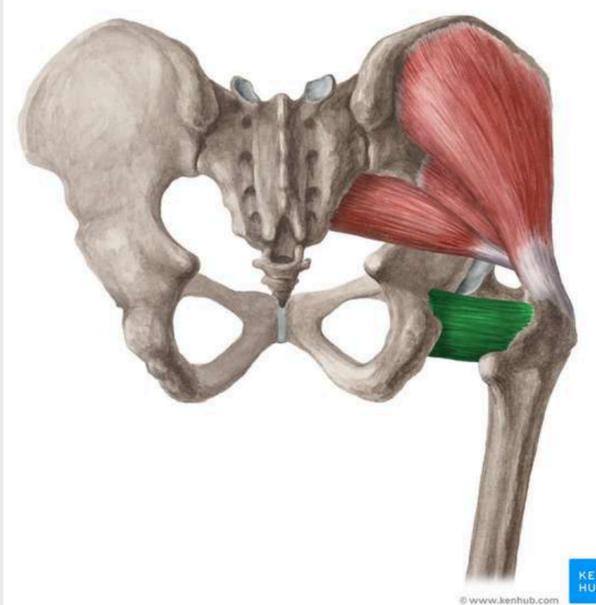
inferior gemellus

Medial femoral circumflex artery



piriformis

Superior and inferior gluteal artery

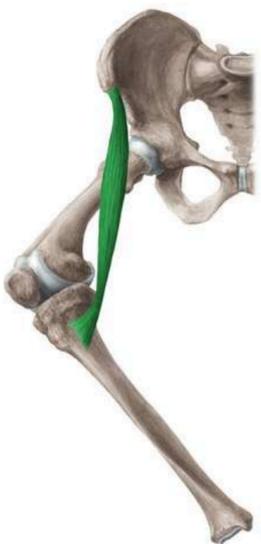


quadratus femoris

Medial femoral circumflex artery

Anterior thigh muscles

Anterior thigh muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Sartorius	Anterior superior iliac spine (ASIS)	Proximal end of tibia below medial condyle (via pes anserinus)	Femoral nerve (L2-L4)	Hip joint: Thigh flexion, Thigh abduction, Thigh external rotation; Knee joint: Leg flexion, Leg internal rotation
Rectus femoris	Anterior inferior iliac spine, Supracetabular groove	Tibial tuberosity (via patellar ligament), Patella		Hip joint: Thigh flexion; Knee joint: Leg extension
Vastus intermedius	Anterior surface of femoral shaft	Tibial tuberosity (via patellar ligament), Patella, (Lateral condyle of tibia)		Knee joint: Leg extension
Vastus lateralis	Linea aspera of femur, Greater trochanter of femur			
Vastus medialis	Intertrochanteric line, spiral line and linea aspera, medial supracondylar line of femur	Tibial tuberosity (via patellar ligament), Patella, (Medial condyle of tibia)		



sartorius

Femoral artery



rectus femoris

profunda femoris
Lateral femoral circumflex artery



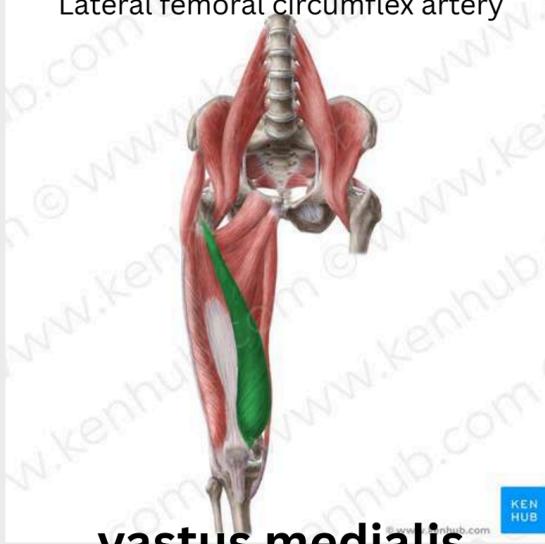
vastus intermedius

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vastus lateralis

LFCA



vastus medialis

Femoral and profunda femoris arteries

Posterior thigh muscles(hamstrings)

Posterior thigh muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Semimembranosus	(Superolateral impression of) Ischial tuberosity	Medial condyle of tibia	Tibial division of sciatic nerve (L5-S2)	Hip joint: Thigh extension, Thigh internal rotation; Knee joint: Leg flexion, Leg internal rotation; Stabilises pelvis
Semitendinosus	(Posteromedial impression of) Ischial tuberosity	Proximal end of tibia below medial condyle (via pes anserinus)		
Biceps femoris	Long head: (Inferomedial impression of) Ischial tuberosity, Sacrotuberous ligament Short head: Linea aspera of femur (lateral lip), Lateral supracondylar line of femur	(Lateral aspect of) Head of fibula	Long head: Tibial division of sciatic nerve (L5-S2) Short head: Common fibular division of sciatic nerve (L5-S2)	Hip joint: Thigh extension, Thigh external rotation; Knee joint: Leg flexion, Leg external rotation; Stabilises pelvis



semimembranosus
Profunda femoris



semitendinosus
Profunda femoris



biceps femoris
Profunda femoris

Medial thigh muscles

Medial thigh muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Pectineus	Superior pubic ramus (Pectineal line of pubis)	Pectineal line of femur, Linea aspera of femur	Femoral nerve (L2, L3) (Obturator nerve (L2, L3))	Hip joint: Thigh flexion, Thigh adduction, Thigh external rotation, Thigh internal rotation; Pelvis stabilization
Adductor magnus	Adductor part: Inferior pubic ramus, Ischial ramus Ischiocondylar part: Ischial tuberosity	Adductor part: Gluteal tuberosity, Linea aspera (medial lip), Medial supracondylar line Ischiocondylar part: Adductor tubercle of femur	Adductor part: Obturator nerve (L2-L4) Ischiocondylar part: Tibial division of sciatic nerve (L4)	Hip joint: Thigh flexion, Thigh adduction, Thigh external rotation (adductor part), Thigh extension, Thigh internal rotation (ischiocondylar part); Pelvis stabilization
Adductor minimus	Inferior pubic ramus	Gluteal tuberosity of femur		Hip joint: Thigh adduction, Thigh external rotation
Adductor longus	Anterior body of pubis	Linea aspera of femur (medial lip)	Obturator nerve (L2-L4)	Hip joint: Thigh flexion, Thigh adduction, Thigh external rotation; Pelvis stabilization
Adductor brevis	Anterior body of pubis, Inferior pubic ramus			Hip joint: Thigh flexion, Thigh adduction, Thigh external rotation; Pelvis stabilization
Gracilis	Anterior body of pubis, Inferior pubic ramus, Ischial ramus	Medial surface of proximal tibia (via pes anserinus)	Obturator nerve (L2-L3)	Hip joint: Thigh flexion, Thigh adduction; Knee joint: Leg flexion, Leg internal rotation



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pectineus

Medial circumflex femoral artery, obturator artery



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adductor magnus

Profunda femoris
Obturator artery
Femoral artery



adductor minimus(part of superior adductor magnus)

Obturator artery



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adductor longus

Medial circumflex femoral artery,
obturator artery



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adductor brevis

Medial circumflex femoral artery,
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gracilis

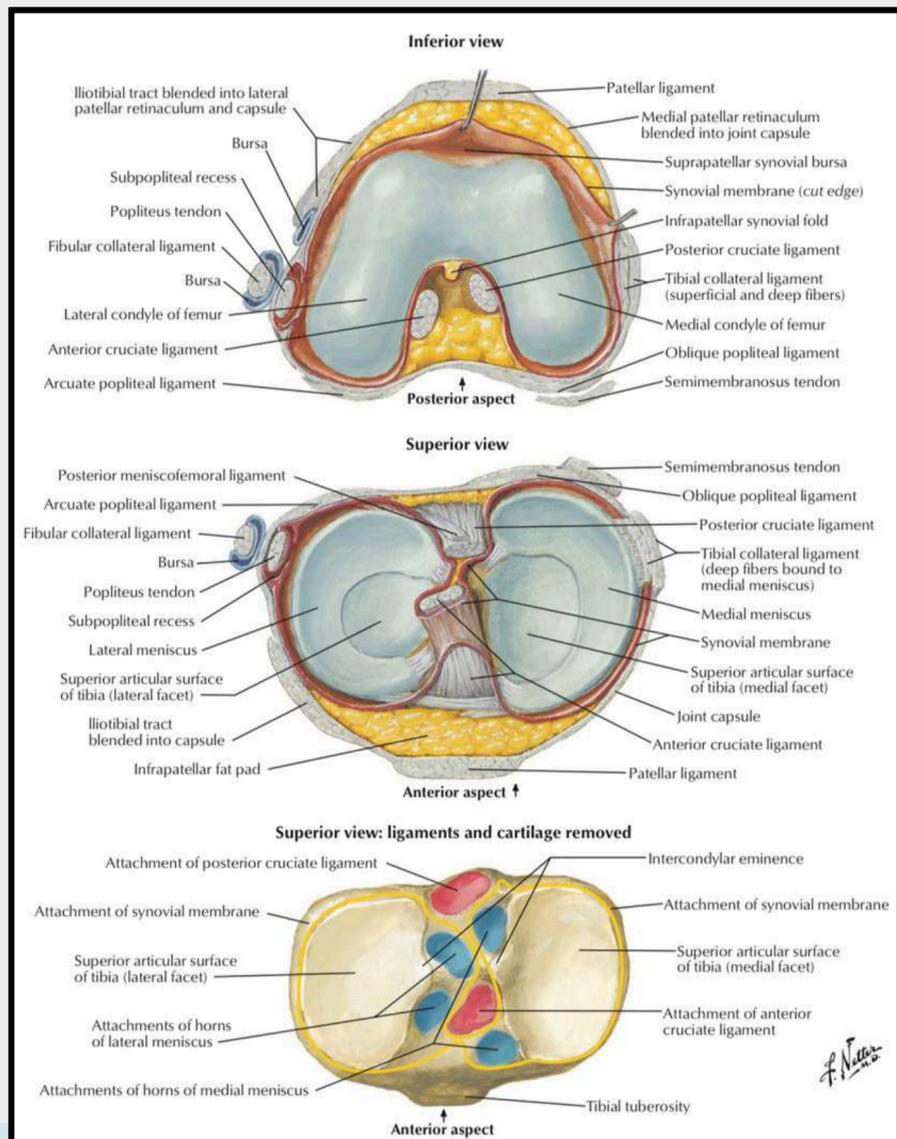
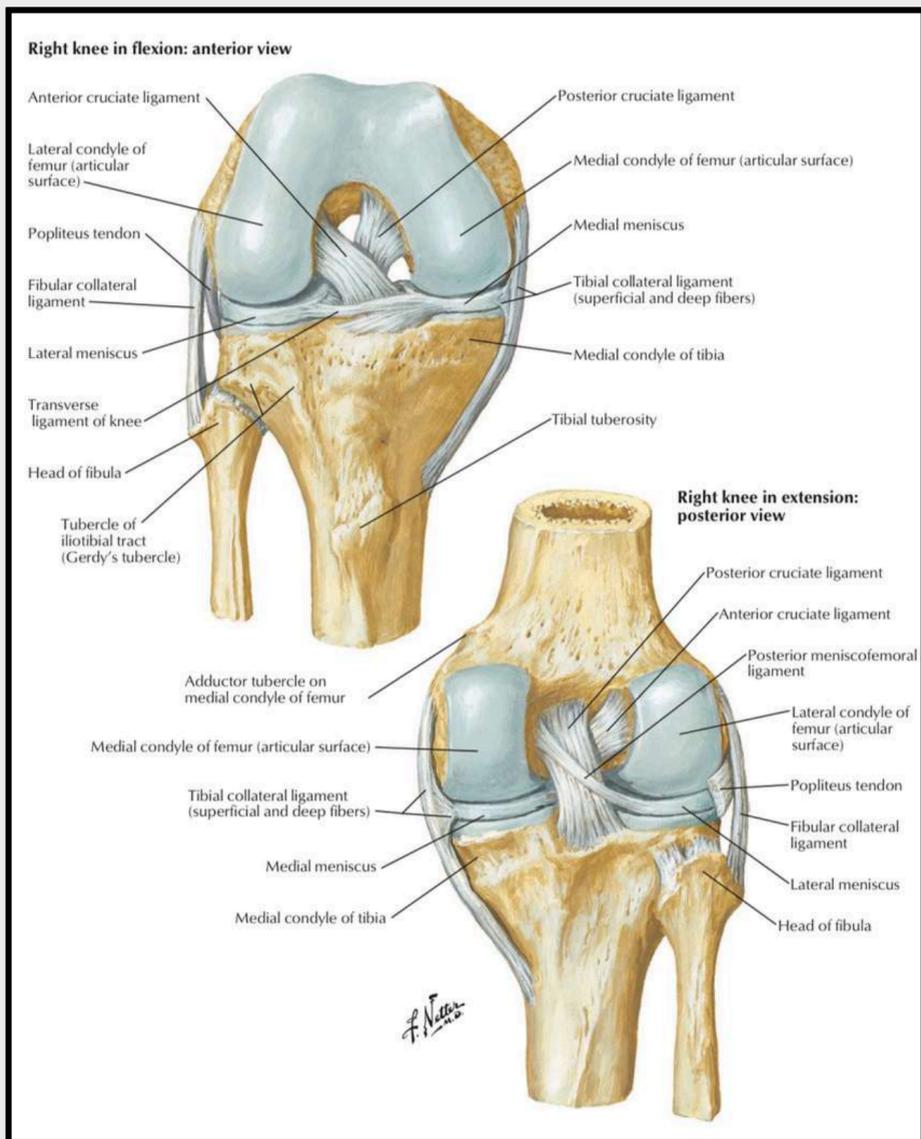
Medial circumflex femoral artery,
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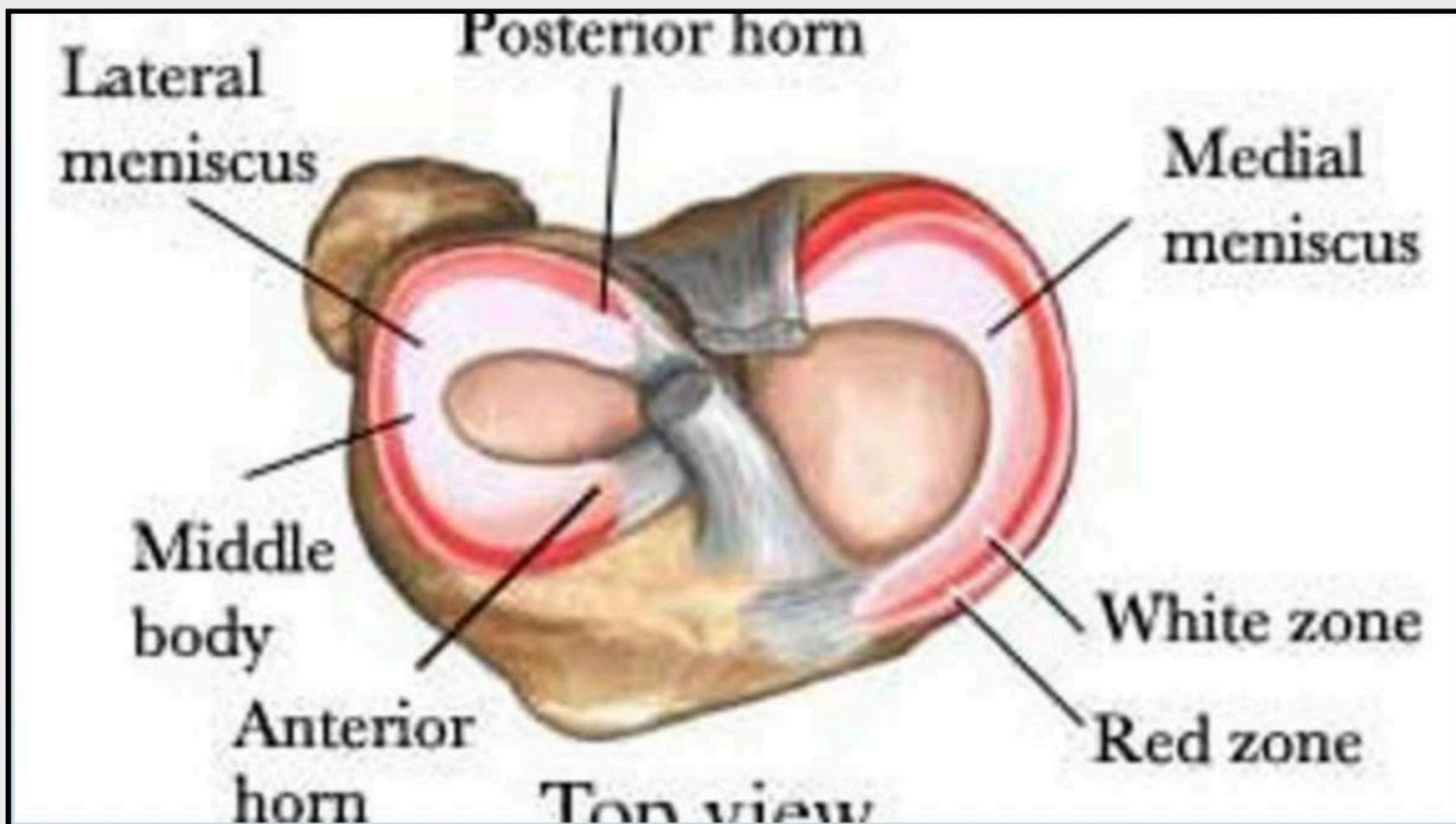
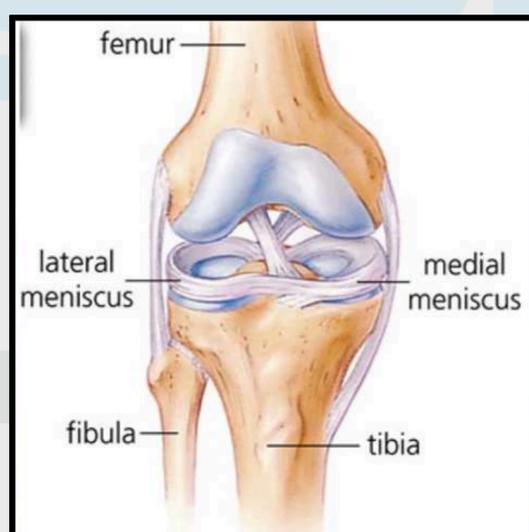
Segmental innervation of lower limb movements



Knee



Knee joint : the largest joint in the body, acting primarily as a hinge joint to allow the leg to bend and straighten, with limited other movements like rotation



Feature 

Anterior Cruciate Ligament (ACL)

Posterior Cruciate Ligament (PCL)

Origin

Arises from the posteromedial corner of the medial surface of the lateral femoral condyle within the intercondylar notch.

Arises from the anterolateral surface of the medial femoral condyle within the intercondylar notch.

Insertion

Inserts into the anterior intercondylar area of the tibia.

Inserts into the posterior intercondylar area of the tibia.

Function

Primary: Prevents the tibia from sliding too far forward (anterior translation).
Secondary: Provides rotational stability to the knee.

Primary: Prevents the tibia from sliding too far backward (posterior translation).
Secondary: Helps prevent knee hyperextension.

Structure

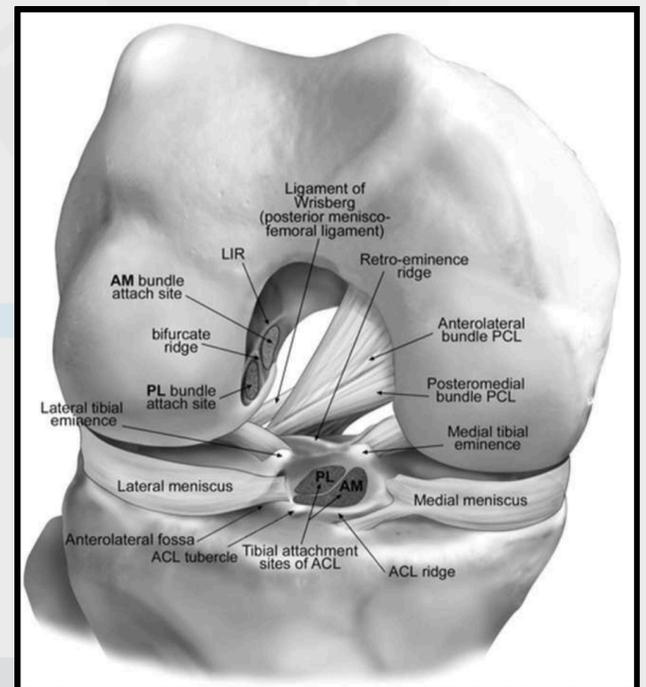
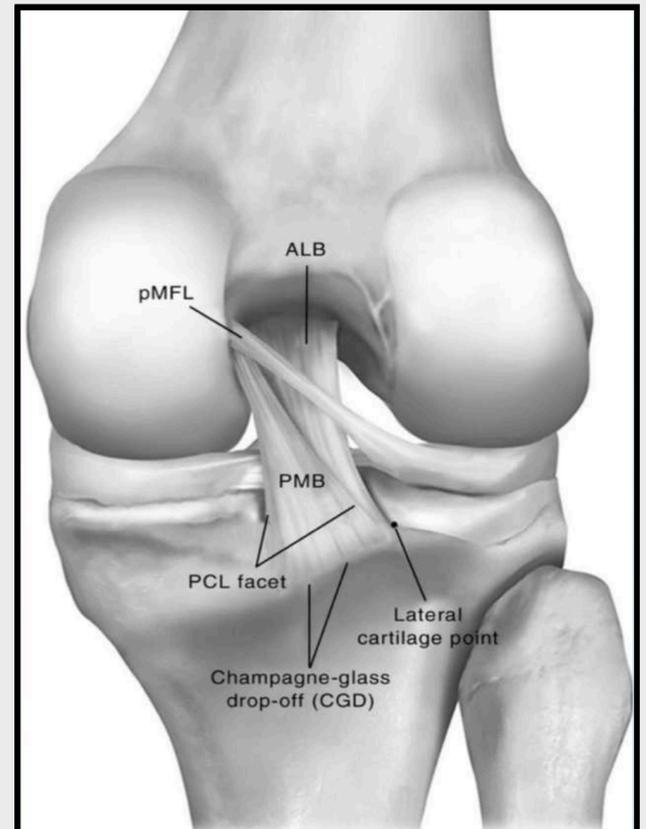
The ACL consists of two main bundles: the anteromedial bundle (tight in flexion) and the posterolateral bundle (tight in extension).

The PCL is shorter, thicker, and roughly twice as strong as the ACL.

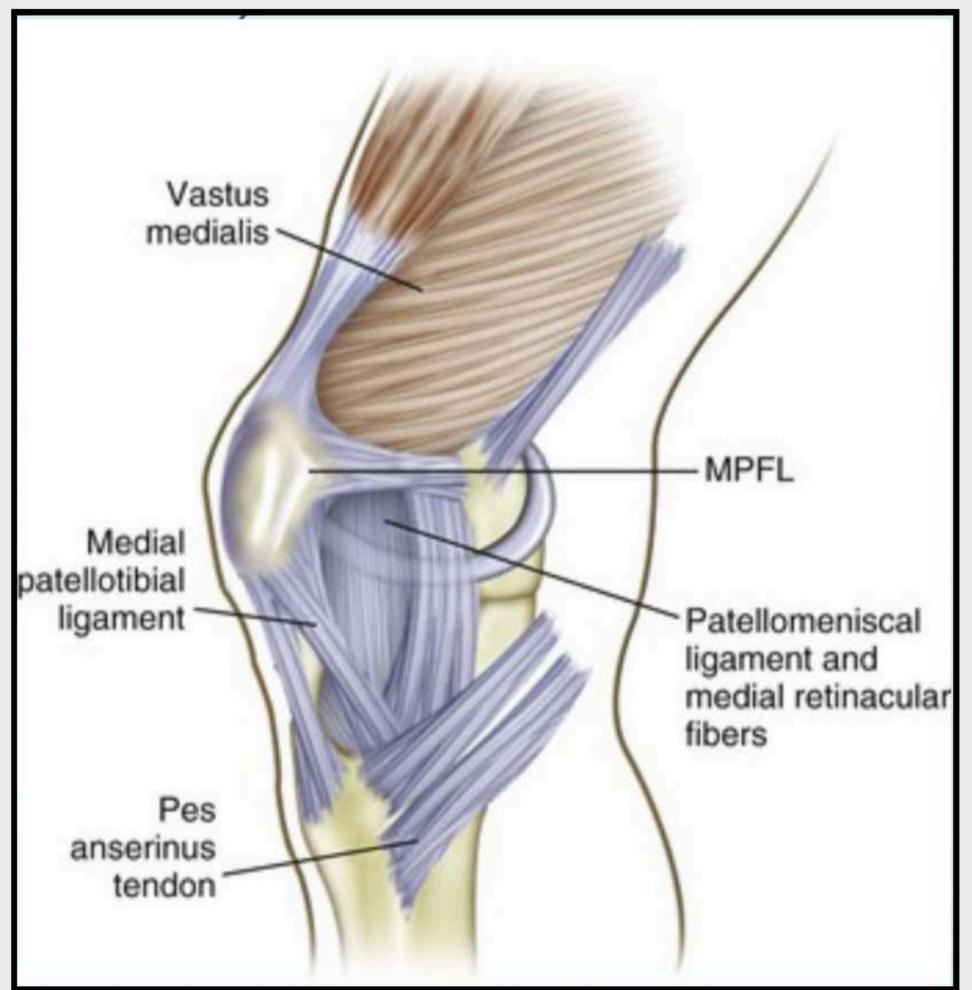
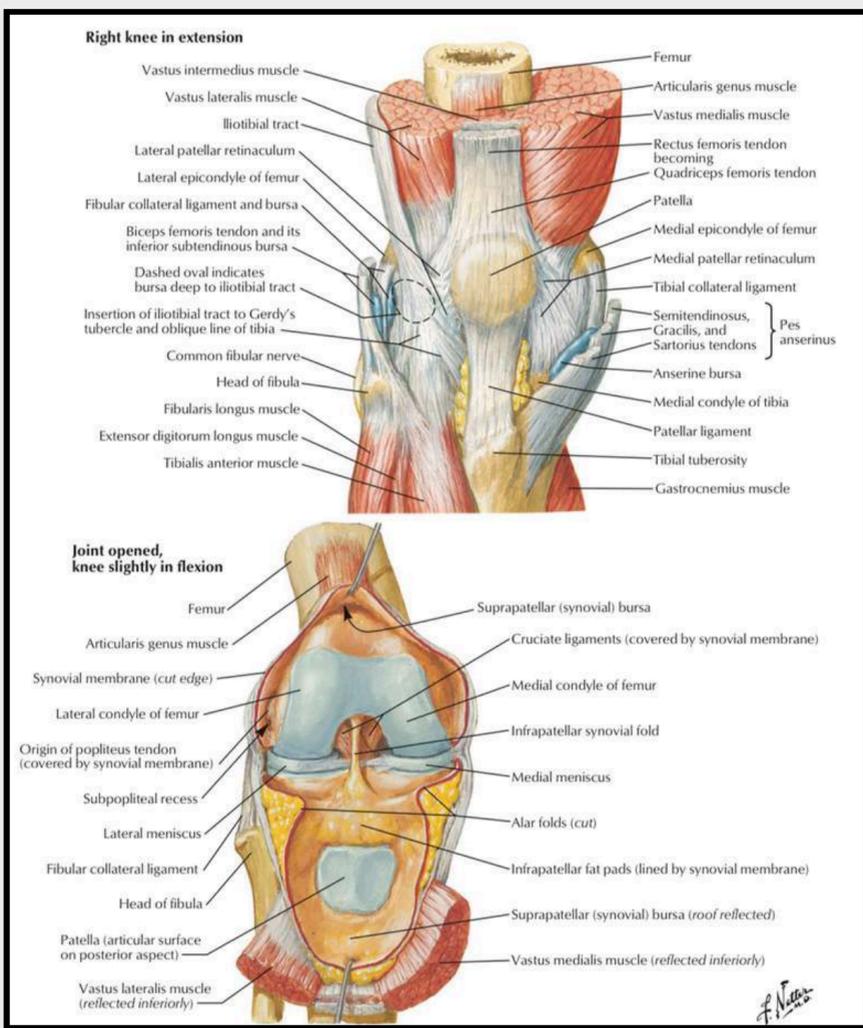
Injury

ACL injuries are much more common, especially in sports that involve sudden stops, pivots, and changes of direction.

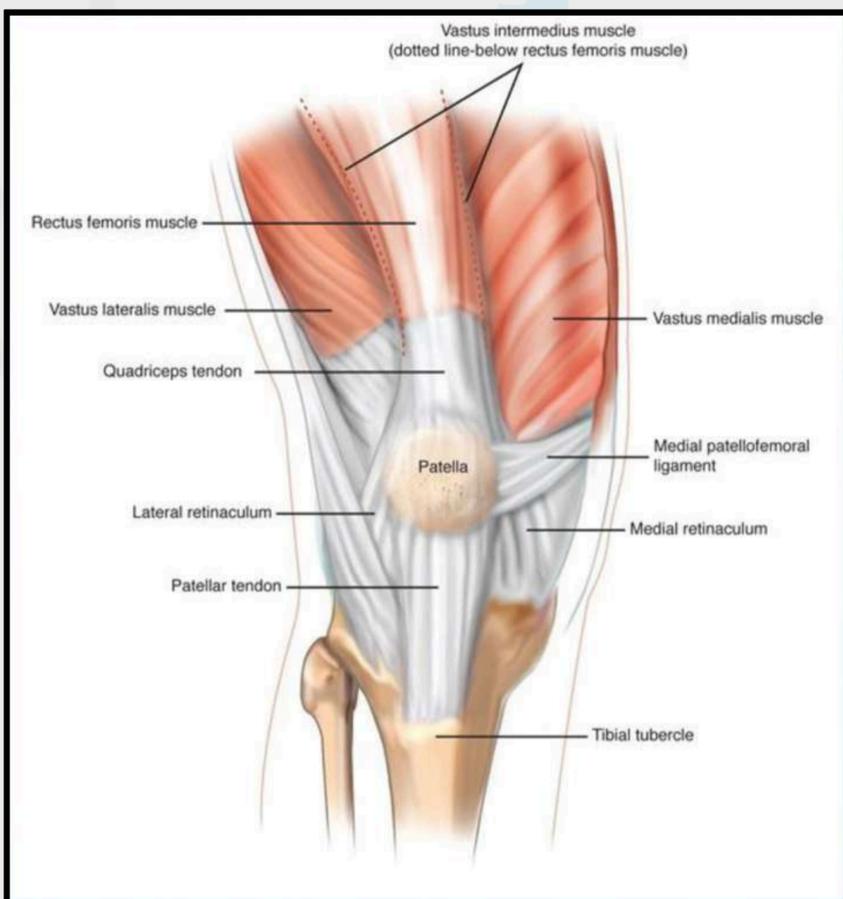
PCL injuries are less frequent and typically result from a high-impact force to the front of a bent knee, such as a "dashboard injury" in a car accident.



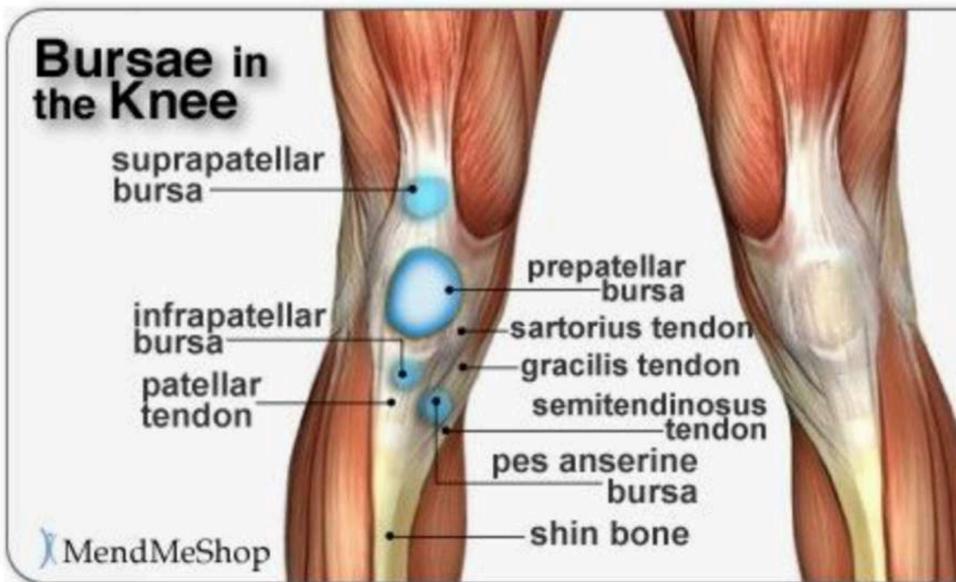
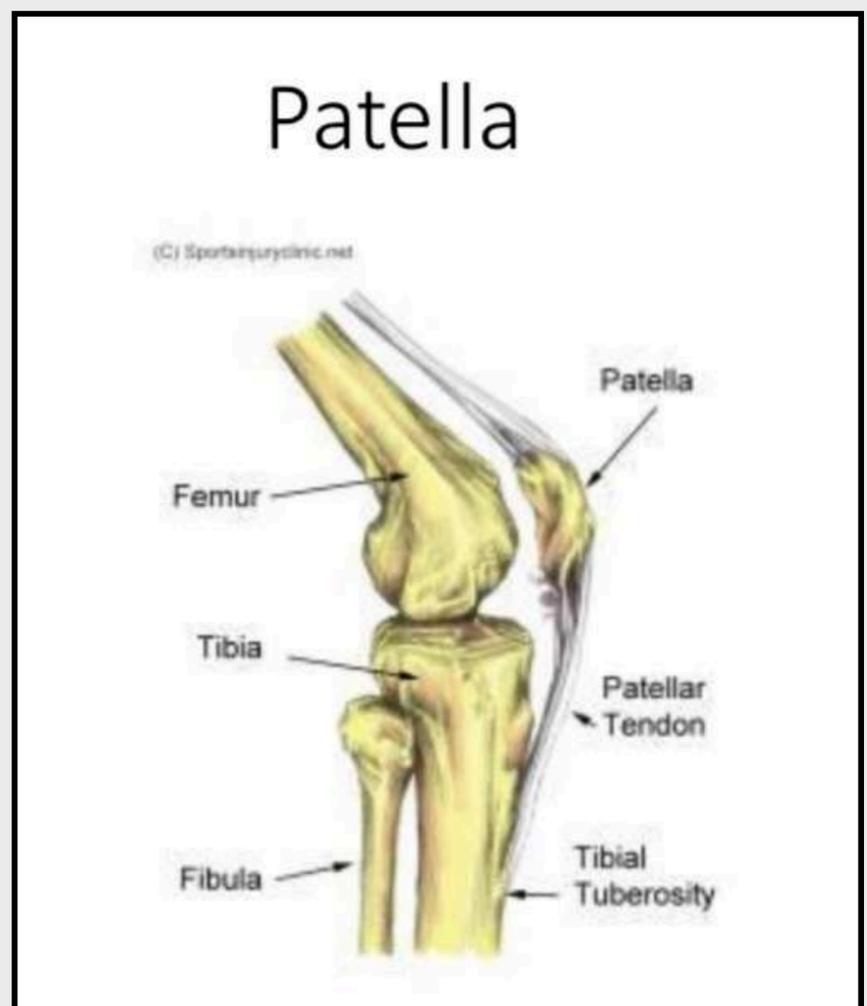
- Arterial supply**
- **ACL → Main : Middle genicular artery**
add: Inferior medial & lateral genicular (minor)
- **PCL → Middle genicular artery**
add: Medial inferior genicular artery
- **Healing → PCL > ACL**
- Nerve Supply :**
- **ACL → Posterior articular branch of tibial nerve**
- **PCL → Articular branches of tibial nerve**
- **Function → Proprioception & stability**



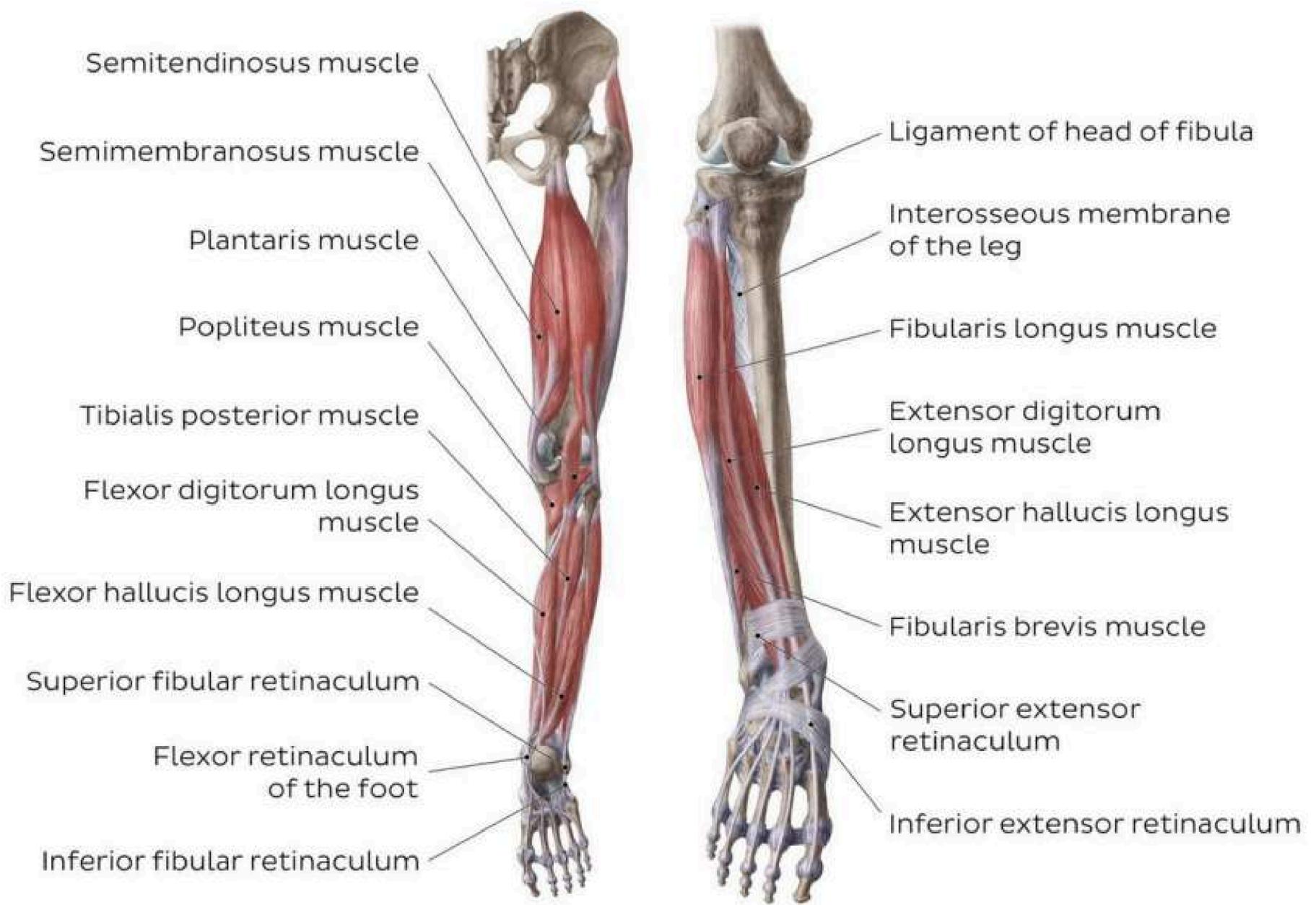
The patella, or kneecap, is a large, triangular bone located at the front of the knee joint. It is the largest sesamoid bone in the body and serves to protect the knee and increase the power of the quadriceps muscle by improving leverage for leg extension. The patella is situated within the quadriceps tendon and is connected to the tibia by the patellar ligament.



A sesamoid bone is a small bone embedded within a tendon, most commonly found in the hand, wrist, and foot.



Leg muscles



Anterior leg muscles

Anterior leg muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Tibialis anterior	Lateral tibial condyle, proximal half of lateral surface of tibia, Interosseous membrane	Medial cuneiform bone, Base of metatarsal bone 1	Deep fibular nerve (L4, L5)	Talocrural Joint: Foot dorsiflexion; Subtalar joint: Foot inversion; Supports medial longitudinal arch of foot
Extensor hallucis longus	(Middle third of) Medial surface of fibula, Interosseous membrane	Base of distal phalanx of great toe	Deep fibular nerve (L5, S1)	Metatarsophalangeal and interphalangeal joint 1: Toe extension; Talocrural joint: Foot dorsiflexion
Extensor digitorum longus	(Proximal half of) Medial surface of fibula, Lateral tibial condyle, Interosseous membrane	Distal and middle phalanges of digits 2-5		Metatarsophalangeal and interphalangeal joints 2-5: Toe extension; Talocrural joint: Foot dorsiflexion; Subtalar joint: Foot eversion
Fibularis tertius	(Distal third of) Medial surface of fibula, Anterior intermuscular septum	Dorsal surface of base of metatarsal bone 5		Talocrural joint: Foot dorsiflexion; Subtalar joint: Foot eversion



tibialis anterior
Anterior tibial artery



extensor hallucis longus
Anterior tibial artery



extensor digitorum longus
Anterior tibial artery



fibularis tertius(continuation)
Anterior tibial artery

Lateral leg muscles

Lateral leg muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Fibularis longus	Head of fibula, Proximal 2/3 of lateral surface of fibula, Anterior and posterior intermuscular septa	Medial cuneiform bone, Metatarsal bone 1	Superficial fibular nerve (L5, S1)	Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion; Subtalar joint: Foot eversion; Supports longitudinal and transverse arches of foot
Fibularis brevis	Distal 2/3 of lateral surface of fibula, Anterior intermuscular septum	Tuberosity of metatarsal bone 5		Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion; Subtalar joint: Foot eversion



Fibularis longus
Anterior tibial and fibular arteries



Fibularis brevis
Anterior tibial and fibular arteries

Posterior leg muscles

Posterior leg muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Gastrocnemius	Lateral head: Posterolateral surface of lateral femoral condyle Medial head: Posterior surface of medial femoral condyle, Popliteal surface of femoral shaft	Posterior surface of calcaneus (via calcaneal tendon)	Tibial nerve (S1, S2)	Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion; Knee joint: Leg flexion
Soleus	Soleal line, Medial border of tibia, Head of fibula, Posterior border of fibula			Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion
Plantaris	Lateral supracondylar line of femur, Oblique popliteal ligament of knee			Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion; Knee joint: Knee flexion
Popliteus	Lateral femoral condyle, Posterior horn of lateral meniscus of knee joint	Posterior surface of proximal tibia	Tibial nerve (L5-S2)	Unlocks knee joint; Knee joint stabilization
Tibialis posterior	Posterior surface of tibia, Posterior surface of fibula, Interosseous membrane	Tuberosity of navicular bone, All cuneiform bones, bases of metatarsal bones 2-4 (Cuboid bone)	Tibial nerve (L4, L5)	Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion; Subtalar joint: Foot inversion; Supports medial longitudinal arch of foot
Flexor digitorum longus	Posterior surface of tibia, (inferior to soleal line)	Bases of distal phalanges of digits 2-5	Tibial nerve (L5-S2)	Metatarsophalangeal and interphalangeal joints 2-5: Toe flexion; Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion; Subtalar joint: Foot inversion
Flexor hallucis longus	(Distal 2/3 of) Posterior surface of fibula, Interosseous membrane, Posterior intermuscular septum, Fascia of tibialis posterior muscle	Base of distal phalanx of great toe	Tibial nerve (S2, S3)	Metatarsophalangeal and interphalangeal joint 1: Toe flexion; Talocrural joint: Foot plantar flexion; Subtalar joint: Foot inversion



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Gastrocnemius

Sural arteries (from popliteal)
Posterior tibial artery

Soleus

Popliteal artery
Posterior tibial artery
Peroneal (fibular) artery

Plantaris

popliteal artery

(deep) posterior leg muscles



Popliteus

Popliteal artery
Inferior medial and lateral genicular arteries



Tibialis posterior

Posterior tibial artery
Fibular artery



Flexor digitorum longus

Posterior tibial artery



Flexor hallucis longus

Fibular artery

Ankle

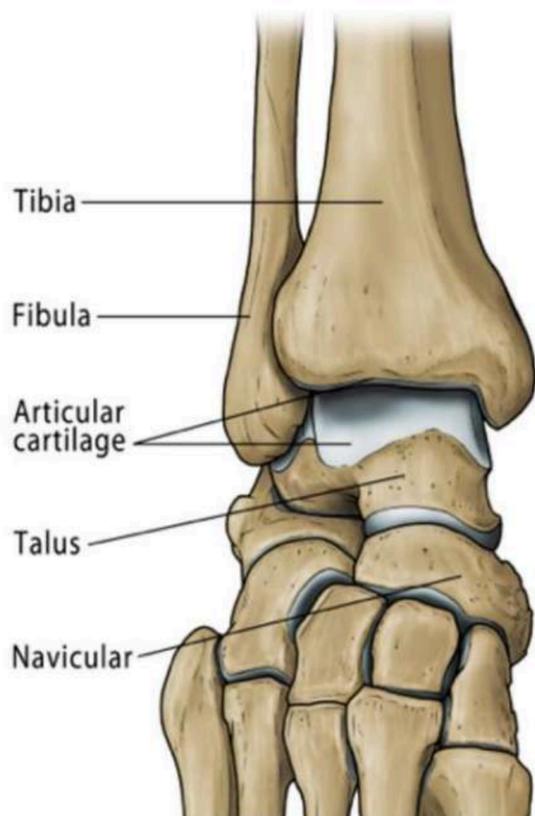
hinge synovial joint between the leg and foot.



Key facts about the ankle joint

[Table quiz](#)

Type	Synovial hinge joint; uniaxial
Articular surfaces	Tibiotarsal joint: distal end of tibia, medial malleolus of the tibia, lateral malleolus of fibula, body of talus
Ligaments	Anterior talofibular, posterior talofibular, calcaneofibular, deltoid (tibiocalcaneal, tibionavicular, tibiotalar parts), fibular collateral ligaments
Innervation	Deep fibular (peroneal), tibial and sural nerves
Blood supply	Anterior tibial, posterior tibial and fibular arteries
Movements	Dorsiflexion, plantar flexion



Three articulations in the ankle joint:

- The **distal end of the tibia articulates with the trochlea of the talus**, a pulley-shaped rounded superior articular surface. The trochlea of the talus is convex in the parasagittal plane and slightly concave in the transverse plane. The distal end of the tibia is reciprocally shaped so that its congruent with the talar surface.
- The **medial malleolus**, a bony projection of the distal end of the tibia, articulates with the **medial surface of the talus**.
- The **lateral malleolus**, an enlargement of the distal end of the fibula, articulates with the **lateral aspect of the talus**. The lateral malleolus of the fibula is positioned more distally and posteriorly than the medial malleolus of the tibia.

Ligaments:

Lateral collateral ligament

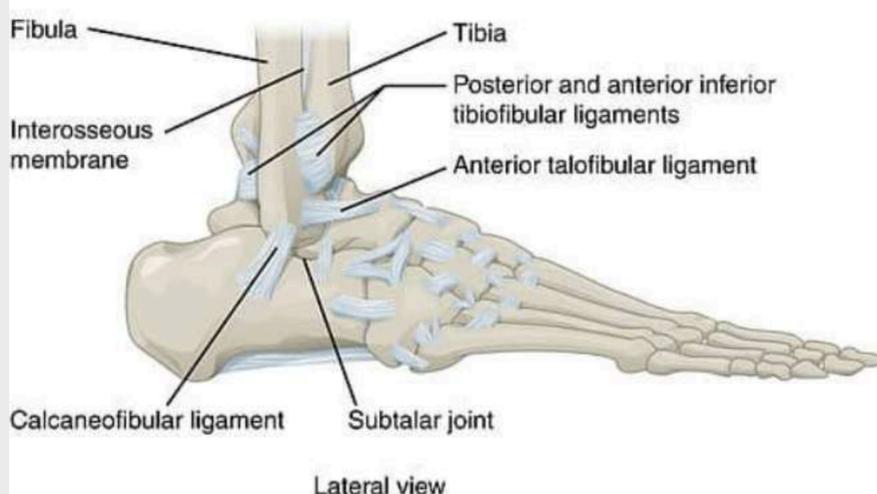
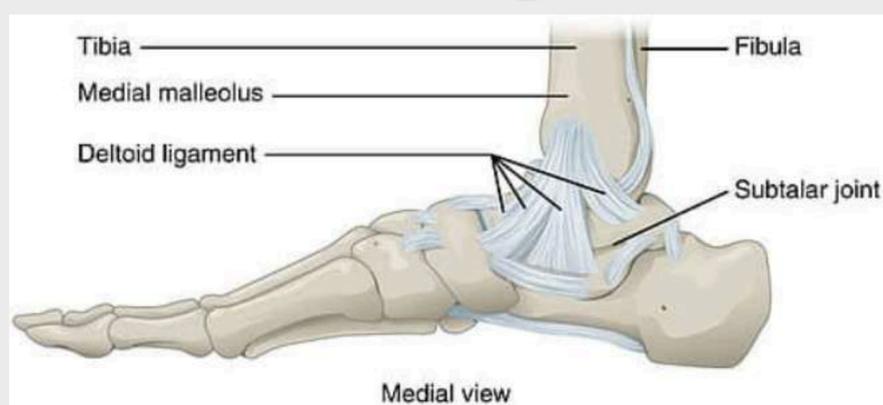
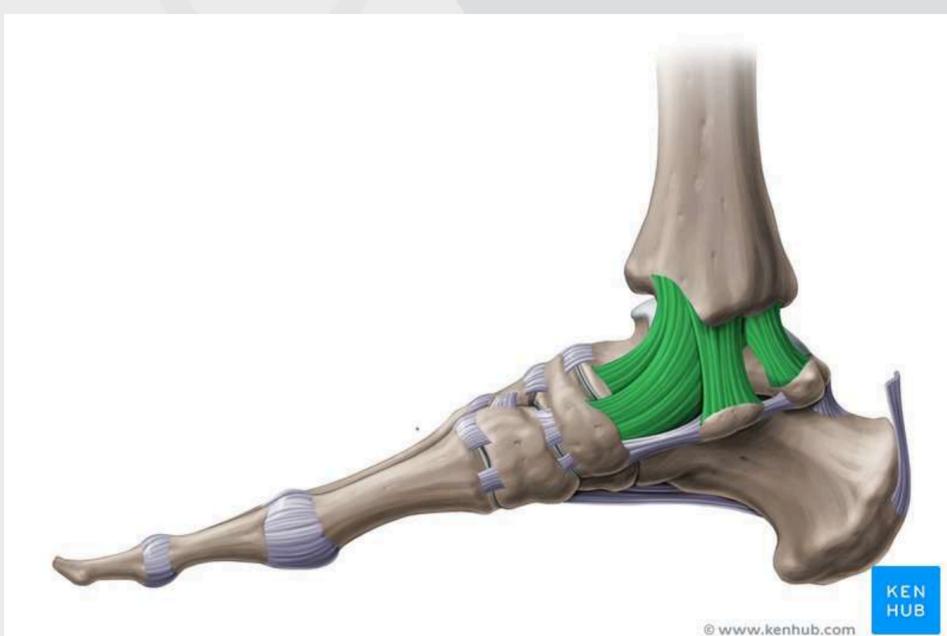
It is comprised of three distinct bands:

- Anterior talofibular ligament
- Posterior talofibular ligament
- Calcaneofibular ligament



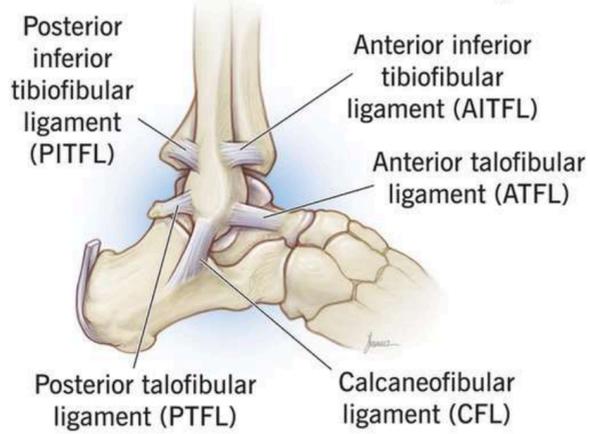
Medial collateral ligament(deltoid)

- Tibionavicular ligament
- Tibiocalcaneal ligament
- Tibiotalar ligament: comprises the deep part of the medial collateral ligament. It consists of an **anterior** and **posterior** portion.

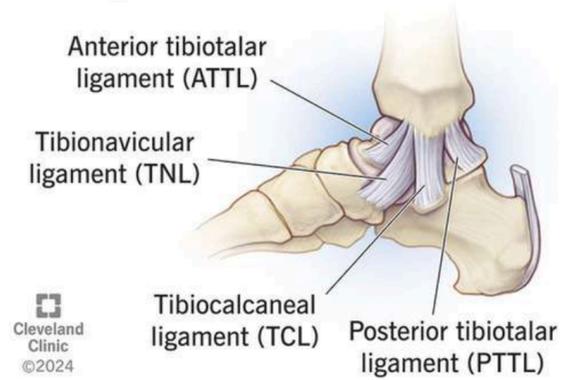


Ankle ligaments

Lateral ligaments

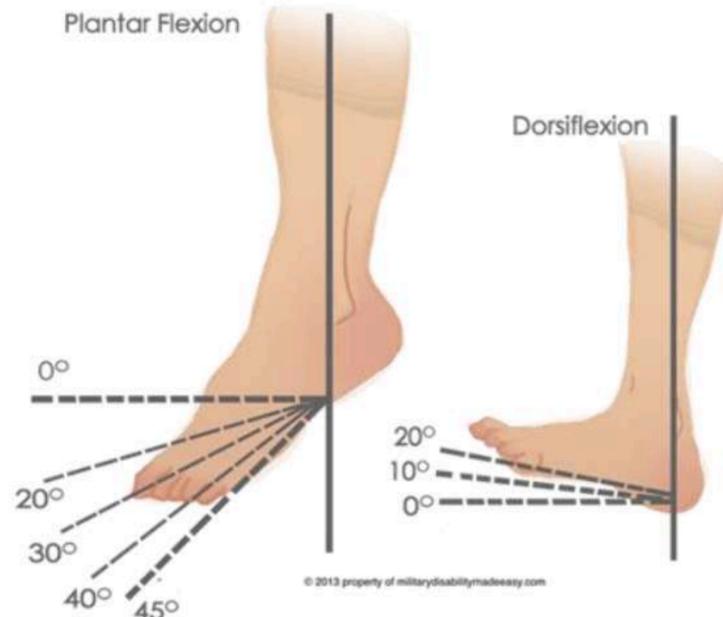


Medial ligaments



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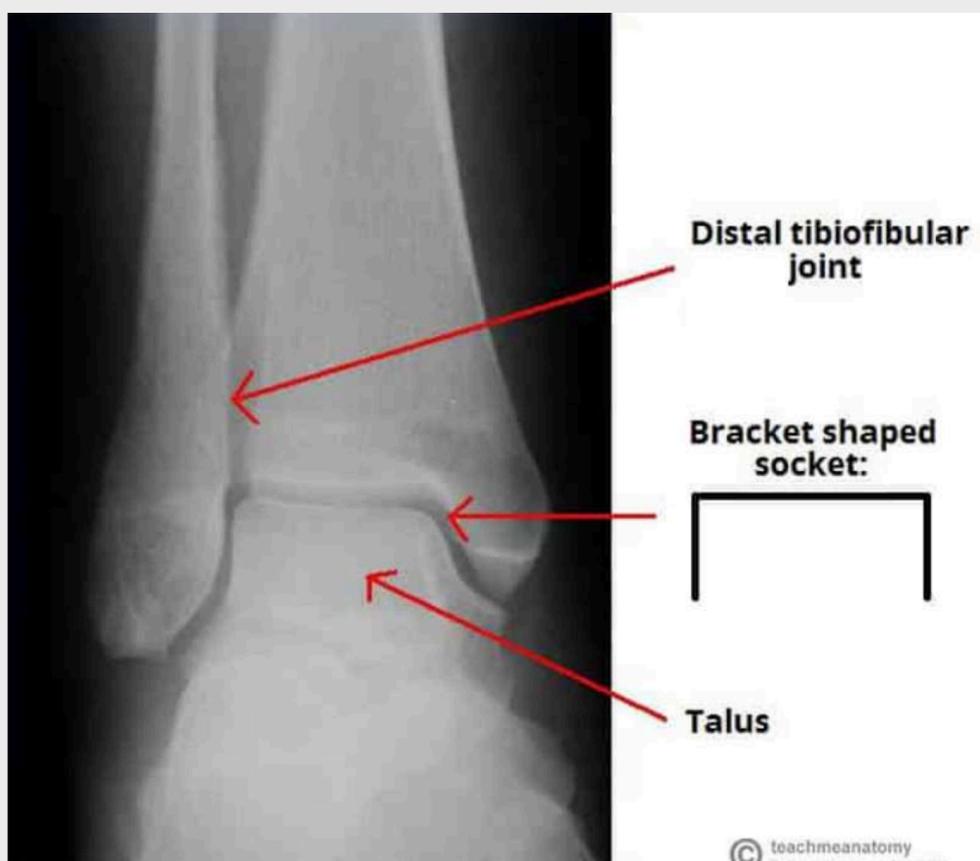


Muscles acting on the ankle joint

[Table quiz](#)

Plantar flexion	Gastrocnemius, soleus, flexor digitorum longus, flexor hallucis longus, fibularis longus, tibialis posterior
Dorsiflexion	Tibialis anterior, extensor digitorum longus, extensor hallucis longus, fibularis tertius
Inversion	Tibialis anterior, tibialis posterior
Eversion	Fibularis longus, fibularis tertius, fibularis brevis

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7 Key Stabilizers

Primary stabilizers

- Deltoid ligament (medial stability)
- ATFL, CFL, PTFL (lateral stability)

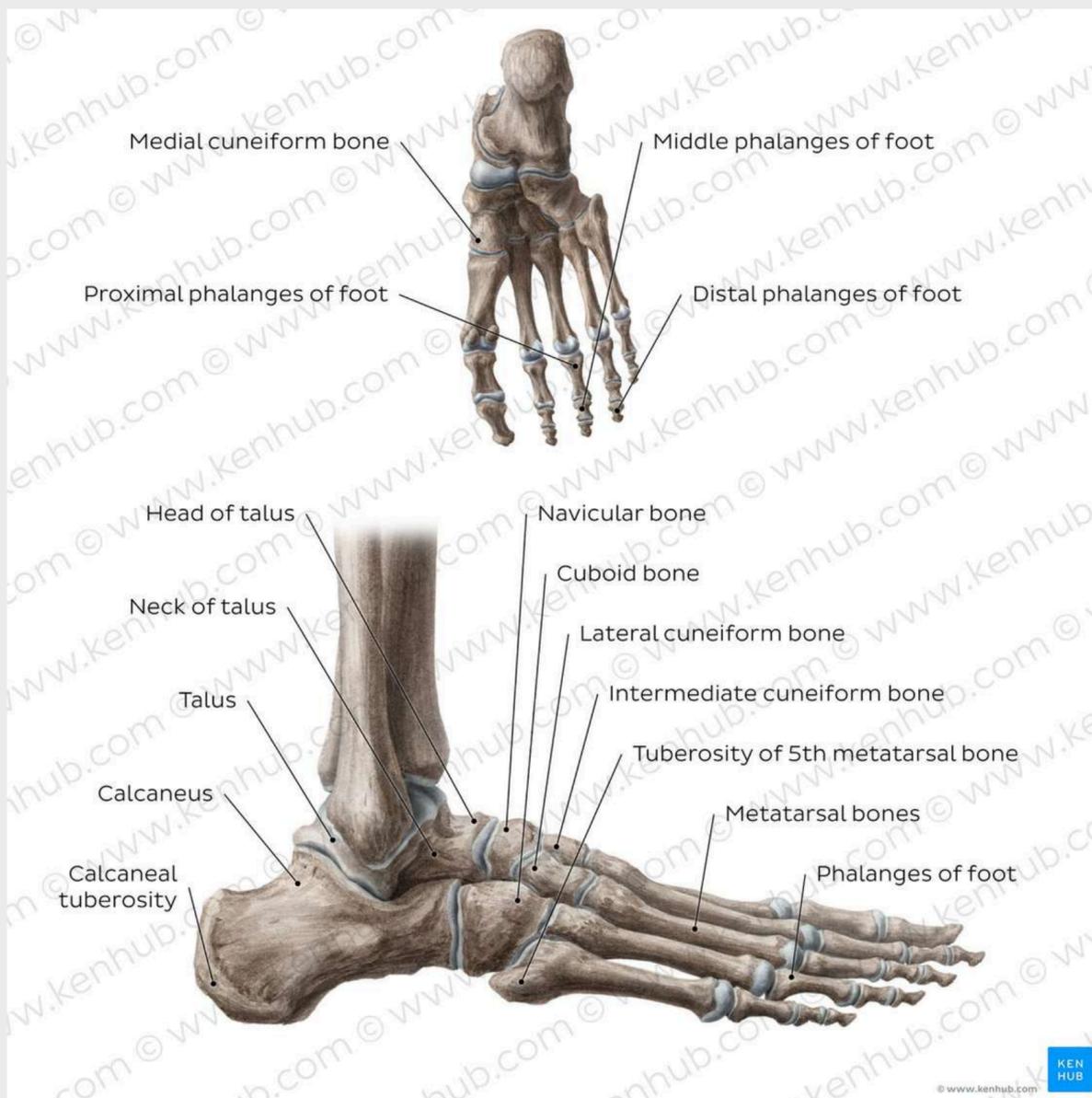
Syndesmosis stabilizers

- AITFL
- PITFL
- Interosseous ligament/membrane
- ➡ Prevent talus from spreading tibia & fibula

Dynamic stabilizers (muscles/tendons)

- Tibialis anterior & posterior → medial support
- Fibularis longus & brevis → lateral support
- Achilles tendon → posterior support
- Extensor retinacula → anterior support

Foot



Tiger Cubs Need MILC

- Talus
- Calcaneus
- Navicular
- Medial cuneiform
- Intermediate cuneiform
- Lateral cuneiform
- Cuboid

1 Bones of the Foot

Hindfoot (tarsus)

- Talus
- Calcaneus

Midfoot

- Navicular
- Cuboid
- Medial, intermediate, and lateral cuneiforms

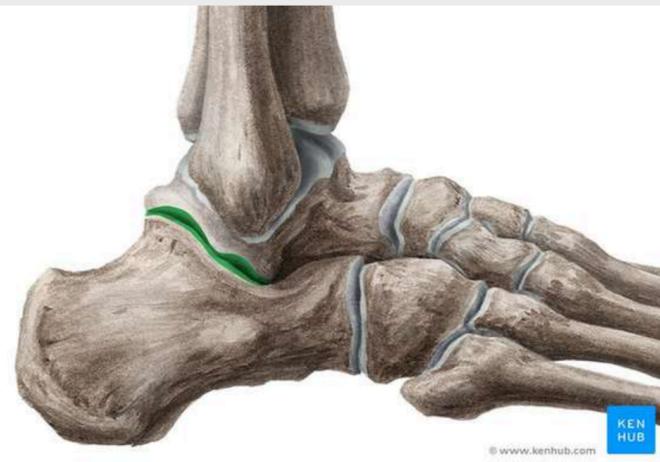
Forefoot

- Metatarsals (1–5)
- Phalanges (proximal, middle, distal except hallux = 2 only)
- Sesamoids under 1st metatarsal head



Joints of the foot

- The **intertarsal joints** are between the tarsal bones. These joints are the **subtalar (talocalcaneal), talocalcaneonavicular, calcaneocuboid, cuneonavicular, cuboideonavicular, and intercuneiform** joints.
- **Tarsometatarsal joints** are the articulations between the tarsals and metatarsals.
- **Metatarsophalangeal joints (MTP)** are the joints between the heads of metatarsals and corresponding bases of the proximal phalanges of the foot.
- **Interphalangeal joints** are between the phalanges of the foot. The great toe has only one interphalangeal joint, while the other four toes have a proximal (PIP) and a distal (DIP) interphalangeal joint.



Subtalar joint

Type: Synovial, plane

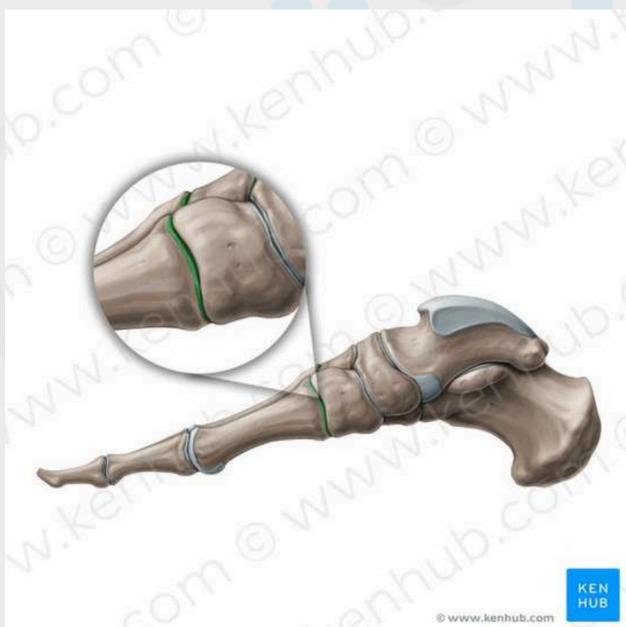
Movements: Inversion & eversion



Chopart joint

(Talonavicular + calcaneocuboid)

Important for foot adaptation on uneven ground

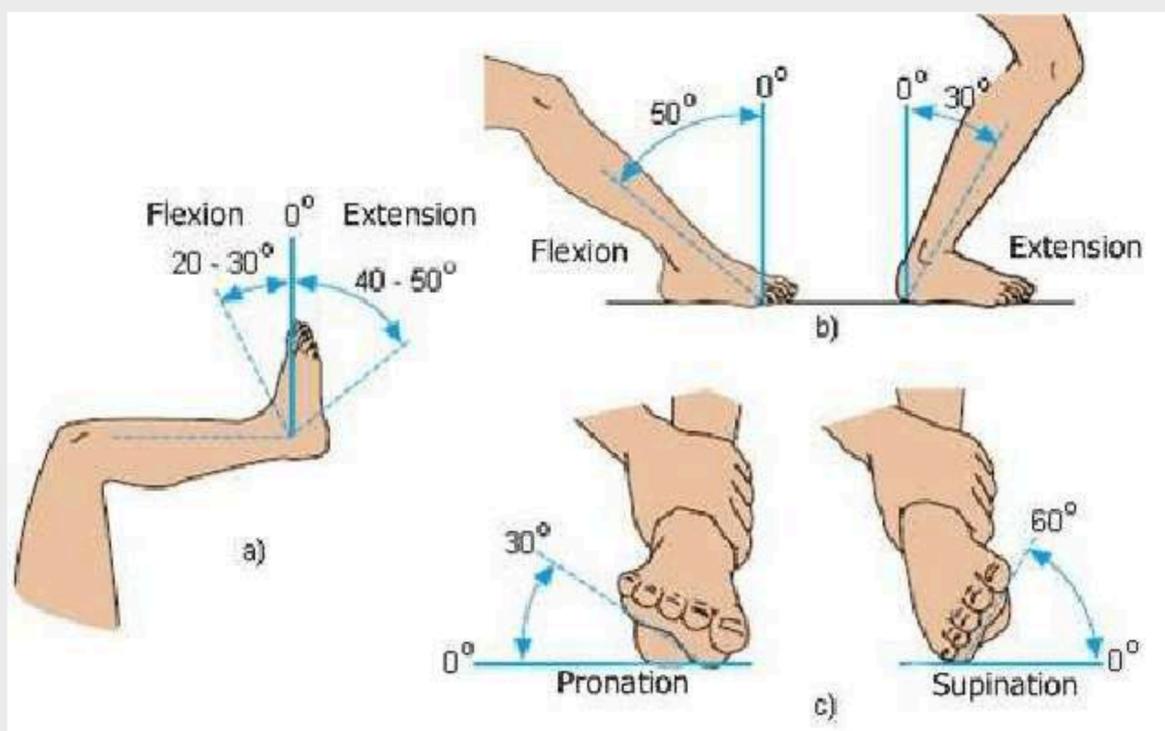


Lisfranc joint

(tarsometatarsal)

Key: Lisfranc ligament (1st cuneiform → 2nd metatarsal)

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4 Foot Arches

Medial Longitudinal Arch

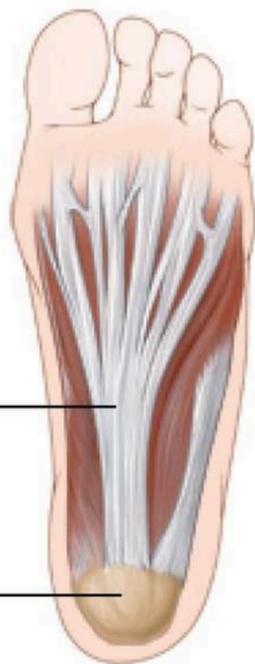
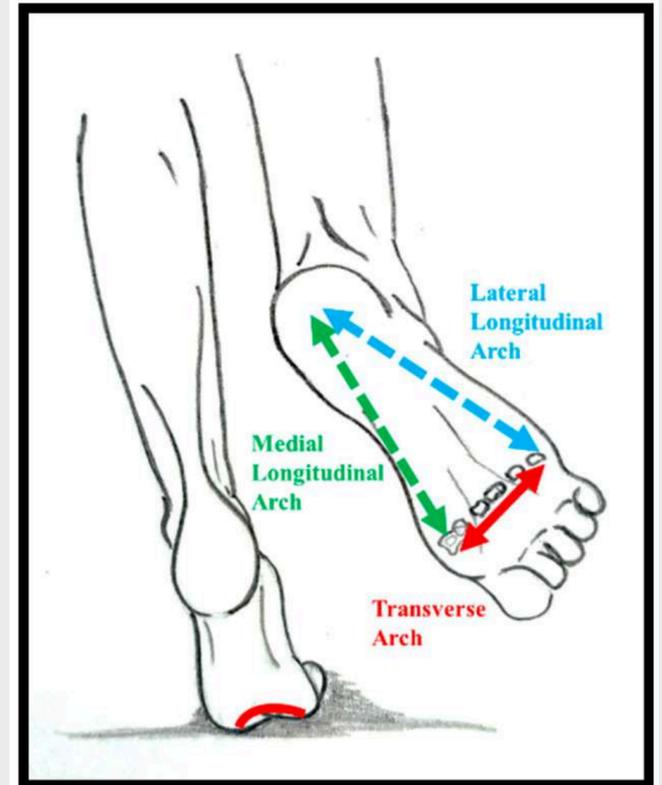
- **Bones:** calcaneus, talus, navicular, cuneiforms, 1st–3rd metatarsals
- **Passive support:** spring ligament, plantar fascia
- **Dynamic support:** tibialis anterior, tibialis posterior, FHL, FDL

Lateral Longitudinal Arch

- **Bones:** calcaneus, cuboid, 4th–5th metatarsals
- **Support:** long plantar ligament, FDL, fibularis longus/brevis

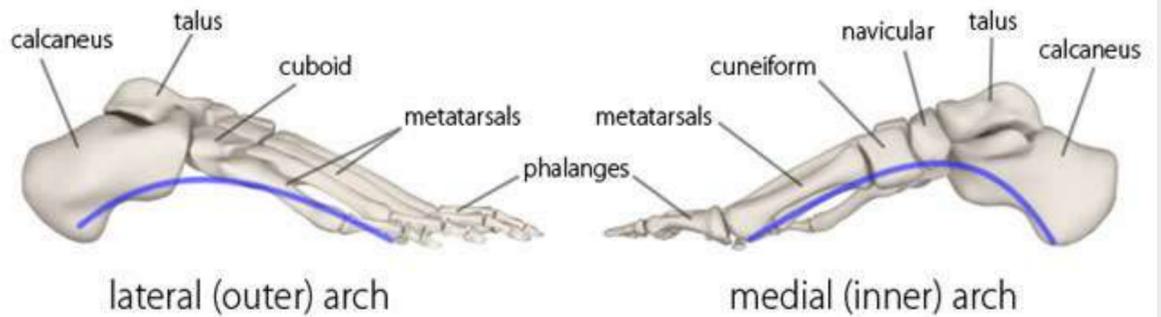
Transverse Arch

- **Bones:** cuneiforms + base of metatarsals
- **Support:** fibularis longus, tibialis posterior



Plantar fascia

Heel bone



lateral (outer) arch

medial (inner) arch

Foot muscles: plantar and dorsum



Medial plantar muscles

Medial plantar muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Abductor hallucis	Medial process of calcaneal tuberosity, Flexor retinaculum, Plantar aponeurosis	Base of proximal phalanx of great toe	Medial plantar nerve (S1-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joint 1: Toe abduction, Toe flexion; Support of longitudinal arch of foot
Flexor hallucis brevis	Tendon of tibialis posterior, Medial cuneiform bone, Lateral cuneiform bone, Cuboid bone	Lateral and medial aspects of base of proximal phalanx of great toe	Medial plantar nerve (S1,S2)	Metatarsophalangeal joint 1: Toe flexion; Support of longitudinal arch of foot
Adductor hallucis (*located in central compartment)	Oblique head: bases metatarsal bones 2-4, Cuboid bone, Lateral cuneiform bone, Tendon of fibularis longus muscle Transverse head: plantar metatarsophalangeal & deep transverse metatarsal ligaments of toes 3-5	Lateral aspect of base of proximal phalanx of great toe	Lateral plantar nerve (S2,S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joint 1: Toe adduction, Toe flexion; Support of longitudinal and transverse arches of foot



Abductor hallucis
Medial plantar artery



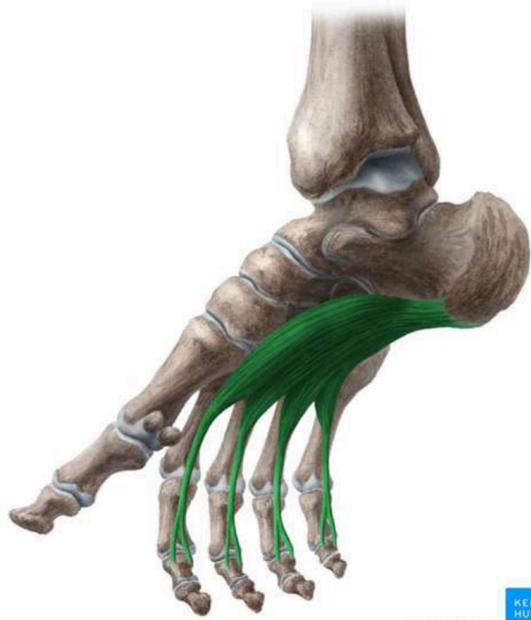
Flexor hallucis brevis
Medial plantar artery



Adductor hallucis
Medial and lateral plantar arteries

Central plantar muscles

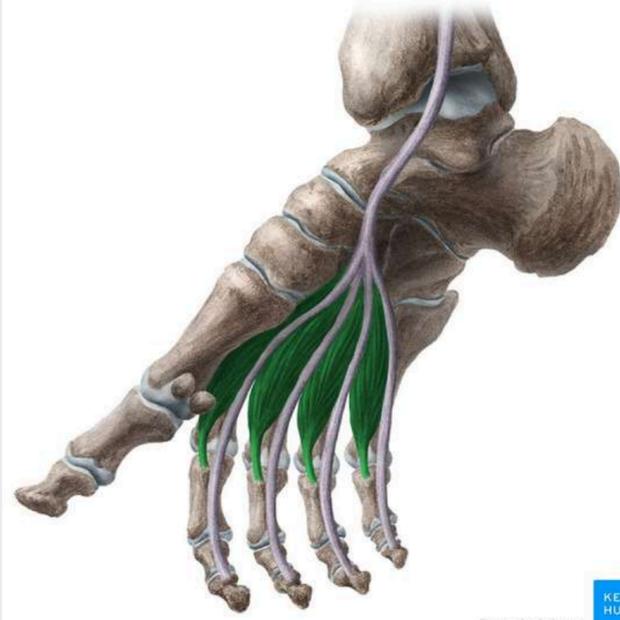
Central plantar muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Flexor digitorum brevis	Medial process of calcaneal tuberosity, Plantar aponeurosis	Middle phalanges of digits 2-5	Medial plantar nerve (S1-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joints 2-5: Toe flexion; Supports longitudinal arch of foot
Quadratus plantae	Medial surface of calcaneus bone, Lateral process of calcaneal tuberosity	Tendon of flexor digitorum longus	Lateral plantar nerve (S1-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joints 2-5: Toe flexion
Lumbricals (4)	Tendons of flexor digitorum longus	Medial bases of proximal phalanges and extensor expansion of digits 2-5	Lumbrical 1: Medial plantar nerve (S2,S3); Lumbricals 2-4: Lateral plantar nerve (S2-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joints 2-5: Toe flexion, Toes adduction; Interphalangeal joints 2-5: Toes extension
Plantar interossei (3)	Medial aspects of metatarsal bones 3-5	Medial bases of proximal phalanges and extensor expansion of digits 3-5		Metatarsophalangeal joints 3-5: Toe flexion, Toes adduction; Interphalangeal joints 3-5: Toes extension
Dorsal interossei (4)	Opposing sides of metatarsal bones 1-5	1: Medial base of proximal phalanx of digit 2 2-4: Lateral bases of proximal phalanges and extensor expansion of digits 2-4	Lateral plantar nerve (S2-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joints 2-4: Toe flexion, Toe abduction; Interphalangeal joints 2-4: Toe extension



Flexor digitorum brevis
Medial and lateral plantar arteries



Quadratus plantae
Medial and lateral plantar arteries



Lumbricals (4)
Lateral plantar artery



Palmar interossei (3)
Lateral plantar artery



Dorsal interossei (4)
Arcuate artery, dorsal and plantar metatarsal arteries

Lateral plantar muscles

Lateral plantar muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Abductor digiti minimi	Calcaneal tuberosity, Plantar aponeurosis	Base of proximal phalanx of digit 5, Metatarsal bone 5	Lateral plantar nerve (S1-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joint 5: Toe abduction, Toe flexion; Supports longitudinal arch of foot
Flexor digiti minimi brevis	Base of metatarsal bone 5, Long plantar ligament	Base of proximal phalanx of digit 5	Lateral plantar nerve (S2-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joint 5: Toe flexion
Opponens digiti minimi	Long plantar ligament, Base of metatarsal bone 5, Tendon sheath of fibularis longus	Lateral border of metatarsal bone 5	Lateral plantar nerve (S2-S3)	Metatarsophalangeal joint 5: Toe abduction, Toe flexion



Abductor digiti minimi
Lateral plantar artery



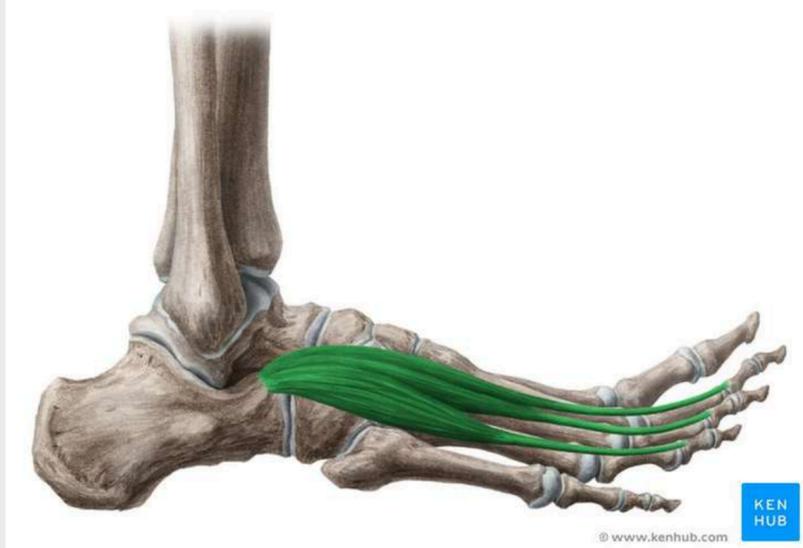
Flexor digiti minimi brevis
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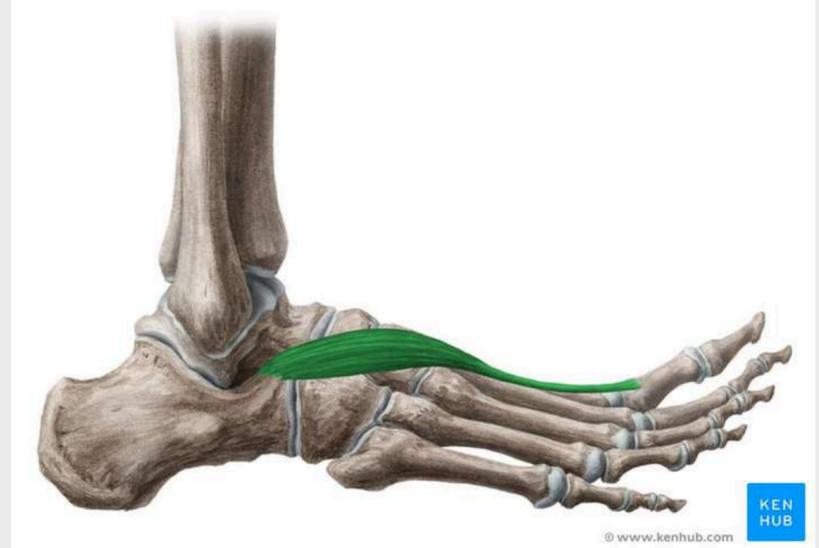
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Dorsal muscles

Dorsal muscles	Origin	Insertion	Innervation	Function
Extensor digitorum brevis	Superolateral surface of calcaneus bone, interosseous talocalcaneal ligament; Stem of inferior extensor retinaculum	Extensor digitorum longus tendons of toes 2-4	Deep fibular/peroneal nerve (L5,S1)	Distal interphalangeal joints 2-4: Toe extension
Extensor hallucis brevis	Superolateral surface of calcaneus bone	Proximal phalanx of great toe		Metatarsophalangeal joint 1: Toe extension

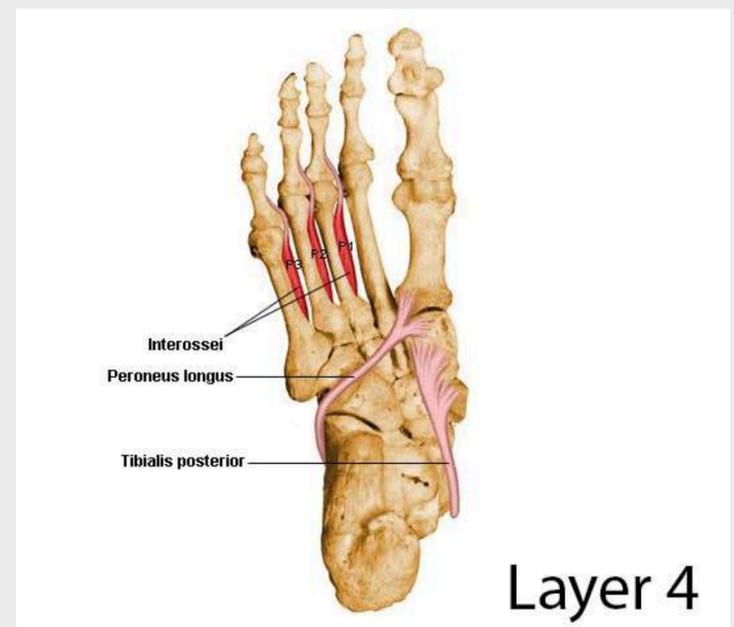
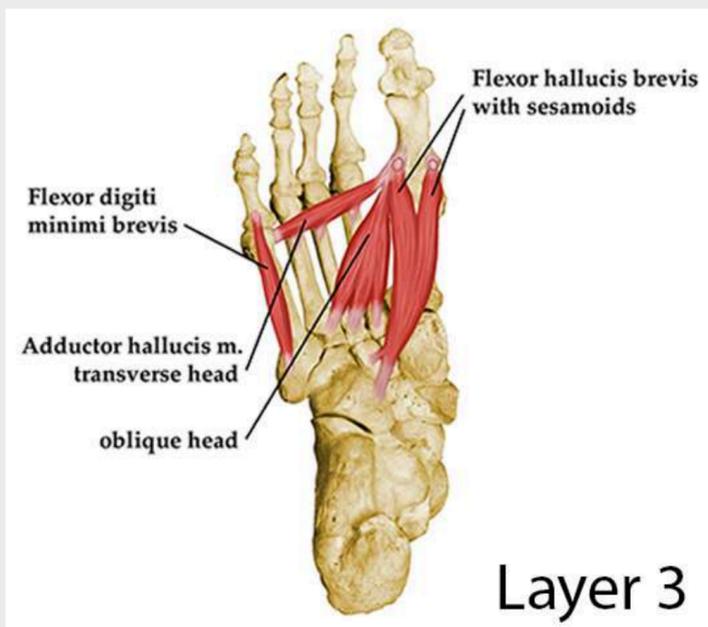
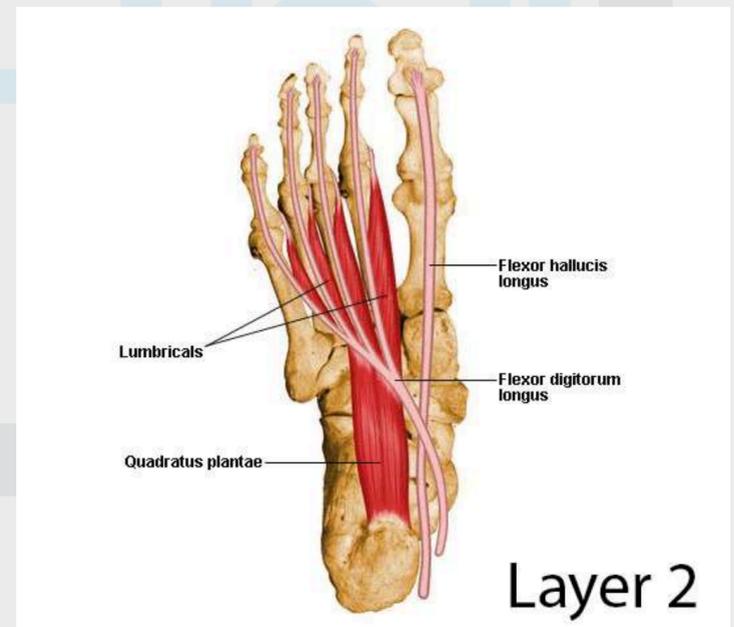
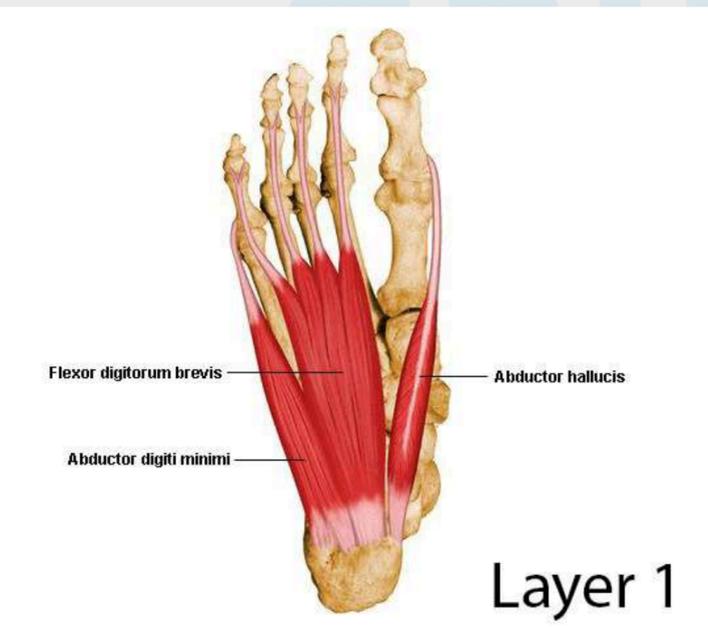


Extensor digitorum brevis
Dorsalis pedis artery



Extensor hallucis brevis
Dorsalis pedis artery

Layers of plantar foot



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(for lower limb)

MUSCLE	MUSCLE GROUP	PROXIMAL ATTACHMENT (ORIGIN)	DISTAL ATTACHMENT (INSERTION)	INNERVATION	BLOOD SUPPLY	MAIN ACTIONS
Abductor digiti minimi	Foot	Medial and lateral tubercles of tuberosity of calcaneus, plantar aponeurosis, and intermuscular septum	Lateral side of base of proximal phalanx of 5th digit	Lateral plantar nerve	Mediolateral plantar artery, plantar metatarsal and plantar digital arteries to 5th digit	Abducts and flexes 5th digit
Abductor hallucis	Foot	Medial tubercle of tuberosity of calcaneus, flexor retinaculum, and plantar aponeurosis	Medial side of base of proximal phalanx of 1st digit	Medial plantar nerve	Medial plantar and 1st plantar metatarsal arteries	Abducts and flexes 1st digit
Adductor brevis	Medial thigh	Body and inferior pubic ramus	Pectineal line and proximal part of linea aspera of femur	Obturator nerve	Profunda femoris, medial circumflex femoral, and obturator arteries	Adducts thigh at hip, weak hip flexor
Adductor hallucis	Foot	<i>Oblique head:</i> bases of 2nd through 4th metatarsals <i>Transverse head:</i> ligaments of metatarsophalangeal joints of digits 3-5	Tendons of both heads lateral to side of base of proximal phalanx of 1st digit	Deep branch of lateral plantar nerve	Medial and lateral plantar arteries and plantar arch, plantar metatarsal arteries	Adducts 1st digit, maintains transverse arch of foot
Adductor longus	Medial thigh	Body of pubis inferior to pubic crest	Middle third of linea aspera of femur	Obturator nerve (anterior division)	Profunda femoris and medial circumflex femoral arteries	Adducts thigh at hip
Adductor magnus	Medial thigh	<i>Inferior pubic ramus, ramus of ischium</i> <i>Hamstring part:</i> ischial tuberosity	<i>Gluteal tuberosity, linea aspera, medial supracondylar line</i> <i>Hamstring part:</i> adductor tubercle of femur	<i>Adductor part:</i> obturator nerve <i>Hamstring part:</i> sciatic nerve (tibial division)	Femoral, profunda femoris, and obturator arteries	<i>Adductor part:</i> adducts and flexes thigh <i>Hamstring part:</i> extends thigh
Articularis genus	Anterior thigh	Distal femur on anterior surface	Suprapatellar bursa	Femoral nerve	Femoral artery	Pulls suprapatellar bursa superiorly with extension of knee
Biceps femoris	Posterior thigh	<i>Long head:</i> ischial tuberosity <i>Short head:</i> Linea aspera and lateral supracondylar line of femur	Lateral side of head of fibula	<i>Long head:</i> sciatic nerve (tibial division) (L5-S2) <i>Short head:</i> sciatic nerve (common fibular division)	Perforating branches of profunda femoris, inferior gluteal, and medial circumflex femoral arteries	Flexes and laterally rotates leg, extends thigh at hip
Dorsal interossei (four muscles)	Foot	Adjacent sides of 1st through 5th metatarsals	<i>1st:</i> medial side of proximal phalanx of 2nd digit <i>2nd through 4th:</i> lateral sides of digits 2-4	Lateral plantar nerve	Arcuate artery, dorsal and plantar metatarsal arteries	Abduct 2nd through 4th digits of foot, flex metatarsophalangeal joints, and extend phalangeal bones
Extensor digitorum brevis and extensor hallucis brevis	Foot	Superolateral surface of calcaneus, lateral talocalcaneal ligament, deep surface of inferior extensor retinaculum	First tendon into dorsal surface of base of proximal phalanx of great toe; other three tendons into lateral sides of tendons of extensor digitorum longus to digits 2-4	Deep fibular nerve	Dorsalis pedis, lateral tarsal, arcuate, and fibular arteries	Aids extensor digitorum longus in extending of 4 medial digits at metatarsophalangeal and interphalangeal joints
Extensor digitorum longus	Anterior leg	Lateral condyle of tibia, proximal 3/4 of anterior surface of interosseous membrane and fibula	Middle and distal phalangeal bones of lateral four digits	Deep fibular nerve	Anterior tibial artery	Extends lateral four digits and dorsiflexes foot at ankle
Extensor hallucis longus	Anterior leg	Middle part of anterior surface of fibula and interosseous membrane	Dorsal aspect of base of distal phalanx of great toe	Deep fibular nerve	Anterior tibial artery	Extends great toe, dorsiflexes foot at ankle

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MUSCLE	MUSCLE GROUP	PROXIMAL ATTACHMENT (ORIGIN)	DISTAL ATTACHMENT (INSERTION)	INNERVATION	BLOOD SUPPLY	MAIN ACTIONS
Fibularis brevis	Lateral leg	Distal 2/3 of lateral surface of fibula	Dorsal surface of tuberosity on lateral side of 5th metatarsal	Superficial fibular nerve	Anterior tibial and fibular arteries	Everts foot and weakly plantarflexes foot at ankle
Fibularis longus	Lateral leg	Head and proximal 2/3 of lateral fibula	Plantar base of 1st metatarsal and medial cuneiform bone	Superficial fibular nerve	Anterior tibial and fibular arteries	Everts foot and weakly plantarflexes foot at ankle
Fibularis tertius	Anterior leg	Distal third of anterior surface of fibula and interosseous membrane	Dorsum of base of 5th metatarsal	Deep fibular nerve	Anterior tibial artery	Dorsiflexes foot at ankle and aids in eversion of foot
Flexor digiti minimi brevis	Foot	Base of 5th metatarsal	Lateral base of proximal phalanx of 5th digit	Superficial branch of lateral plantar nerve	Lateral plantar artery, plantar digital artery to 5th digit, arcuate artery	Flexes proximal phalanx of 5th digit
Flexor digitorum brevis	Foot	Medial tubercle of tuberosity of calcaneus, plantar aponeurosis, and intermuscular septum	Both sides of middle phalangeal bones of lateral four digits	Medial plantar nerve	Medial and lateral plantar arteries and plantar arch, plantar metatarsal and plantar digital arteries	Flexes 2nd through 5th digits
Flexor digitorum longus	Posterior leg	Medial part of posterior tibia inferior to soleal line	Plantar bases of distal phalangeal bones of lateral four digits	Tibial nerve	Posterior tibial artery	Flexes lateral four digits and plantarflexes foot at ankle; supports longitudinal arches of foot
Flexor hallucis brevis	Foot	Plantar surfaces of cuboid bone and lateral cuneiform bone	Both sides of base of proximal phalanx of 1st digit	Medial plantar nerve	Medial plantar artery, 1st plantar metatarsal artery	Flexes proximal phalanx of 1st digit
Flexor hallucis longus	Posterior leg	Distal 2/3 of posterior fibula and interosseous membrane	Base of distal phalanx of great toe	Tibial nerve	Fibular artery	Flexes all joints of great toe, weakly plantarflexes foot at ankle
Gastrocnemius	Posterior leg	<i>Lateral head:</i> lateral aspect of lateral condyle of femur <i>Medial head:</i> popliteal surface above medial condyle of femur	Posterior aspect of calcaneus via calcaneal tendon	Tibial nerve	Popliteal and posterior tibial arteries	Plantarflexes foot at ankle joint, assists in flexion of knee joint
Gluteus maximus	Gluteal region	Ilium posterior to posterior gluteal line, dorsal surface of sacrum and coccyx, sacrotuberous ligament	Most fibers end in iliotibial tract that inserts into lateral condyle of tibia; some fibers insert into gluteal tuberosity of femur	Inferior gluteal nerve	Inferior gluteal arteries mainly, and superior gluteal arteries occasionally	Extends flexed thigh, assists in lateral rotation, and abducts thigh
Gluteus medius	Gluteal region	Lateral surface of ilium between anterior and posterior gluteal lines	Lateral surface of greater trochanter of femur	Superior gluteal nerve	Superior gluteal artery	Abducts and medially rotates thigh at hips; steadies pelvis on leg when opposite leg is raised
Gluteus minimus	Gluteal region	Lateral surface of ilium between anterior and inferior gluteal lines	Anterior surface of greater trochanter of femur	Superior gluteal nerve	Main trunk and deep branch of superior gluteal artery	Abducts and medially rotates thigh at hips; steadies pelvis on leg when opposite leg is raised
Gracilis	Medial thigh	Body and inferior ramus of pubis	Superior part of medial surface of tibia	Obturator nerve	Profunda femoris artery, medial circumflex femoral artery	Adducts thigh, flexes and medially rotates leg
Iliacus (iliopsoas)	Anterior thigh	Superior 2/3 of iliac fossa, iliac crest, ala of sacrum, anterior sacroiliac ligaments	Lesser trochanter of femur and shaft inferior to it, to psoas major tendon	Femoral nerve	Iliac branches of iliolumbar artery	Flexes thigh at hips and stabilizes hip joint, acts with psoas major
Inferior gemellus	Gluteal region	Ischial tuberosity	Medial surface of greater trochanter of femur	Nerve to quadratus femoris muscle	Medial circumflex femoral artery	Laterally rotates extended thigh and abducts flexed thigh

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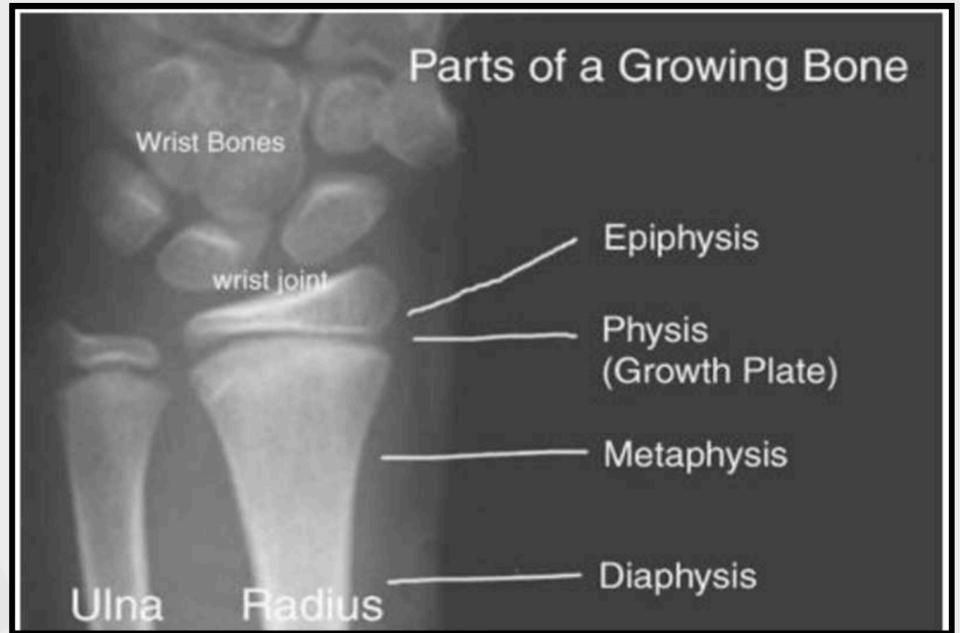
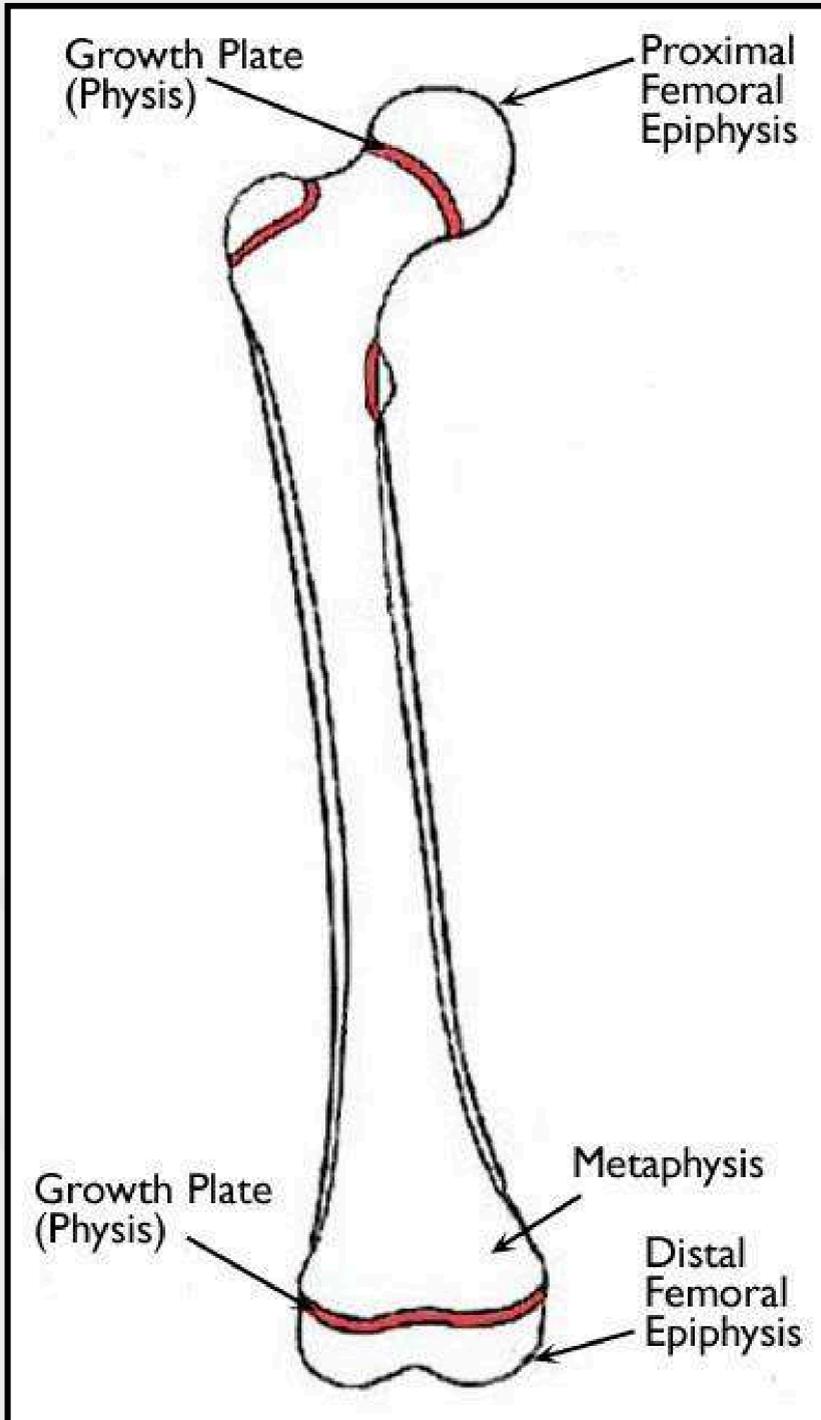
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Lumbricals	Foot	Tendons of flexor digitorum longus	Medial side of dorsal digital expansions of lateral four digits	Medial one: medial plantar nerve. Lateral three: lateral plantar nerve	Lateral plantar artery and plantar metatarsal arteries	Flexes proximal phalangeal bones at metatarsophalangeal joint, extends phalangeal bones at proximal interphalangeal and distal interphalangeal joints
Obturator externus	Medial thigh	Margins of obturator foramen, obturator membrane	Trochanteric fossa of femur	Obturator nerve	Medial circumflex femoral artery, obturator artery	Laterally rotates thigh, stabilizes head of femur in acetabulum
Obturator internus	Gluteal region	Pelvic surface of obturator membrane and surrounding bone	Medial surface of greater trochanter of femur	Nerve to obturator internus muscle	Internal pudendal and obturator arteries	Laterally rotates extended thigh, abducts flexed thigh at hip
Pectineus	Medial thigh	Superior ramus of pubis	Pectineal line of femur	Femoral nerve and sometimes obturator nerve	Medial circumflex femoral artery, obturator artery	Adducts and flexes thigh at hip
Piriformis	Gluteal region	Anterior surface of sacral segments 2-4, sacrotuberous ligament (inconstant)	Superior border of greater trochanter of femur	Ventral rami of L5, S1, S2	Superior and inferior gluteal arteries, internal pudendal artery	Laterally rotates extended thigh, abducts flexed thigh at hip
Plantar interossei (three muscles)	Foot	Bases and medial sides of 3rd through 5th metatarsals	Medial sides of bases of proximal phalangeal bones of 3rd through 5th digits	Lateral plantar nerve	Lateral plantar artery and plantar arch, plantar metatarsal and plantar digital arteries	Adduct digits (3-5) and flex metatarsophalangeal joint and extend phalangeal bones
Plantaris	Posterior leg	Inferior end of lateral supracondylar line of femur and oblique popliteal ligament	Posterior aspect of calcaneus via calcaneal tendon	Tibial nerve	Popliteal artery	Weakly assists gastrocnemius
Popliteus	Posterior leg	Lateral aspect of lateral condyle of femur, lateral meniscus	Posterior tibia superior to soleal line	Tibial nerve (L4-S1)	Inferior medial and lateral genicular arteries	Weakly flexes knee and unlocks it by rotating femur on fixed tibia
Psoas major (iliopsoas)	Anterior thigh	Transverse processes of lumbar vertebrae, sides of bodies of T12-L5 vertebrae, intervening intervertebral discs	Lesser trochanter of femur	Anterior rami of first three lumbar nerves	Lumbar branches of iliofemoral artery	Acting superiorly with iliacus, flexes hip; acting inferiorly, flexes vertebral column laterally; used to balance trunk in sitting position; acting inferiorly with iliacus, flexes trunk
Quadratus femoris	Gluteal region	Lateral margin of ischial tuberosity	Quadrate tubercle on intertrochanteric crest of femur	Nerve to quadratus femoris muscle	Medial circumflex femoral artery	Laterally rotates thigh at hip
Quadratus plantae	Foot	Medial and lateral sides of plantar surface of calcaneus	Posterolateral edge of flexor digitorum longus tendon	Lateral plantar nerve	Medial and lateral plantar arteries and deep plantar arterial arch	Corrects for oblique pull of flexor digitorum longus tendon, thus assisting in flexion of digits of foot
Rectus femoris (quadriceps)	Anterior thigh	Anterior inferior iliac spine and ilium superior to acetabulum	Base of patella and to tibial tuberosity via patellar ligament	Femoral nerve	Profunda femoris and lateral circumflex femoral arteries	Extends leg at knee joint and flexes thigh at hip joint
Sartorius	Anterior thigh	Anterior superior iliac spine and superior part of notch below it	Superior part of medial surface of tibia	Femoral nerve	Femoral artery	Abducts, laterally rotates, and flexes thigh; flexes knee joint
Semimembranosus	Posterior thigh	Ischial tuberosity	Posterior part of medial condyle of tibia	Sciatic nerve (tibial division)	Perforating branch of profunda femoris and medial circumflex femoral arteries	Flexes leg, extends thigh

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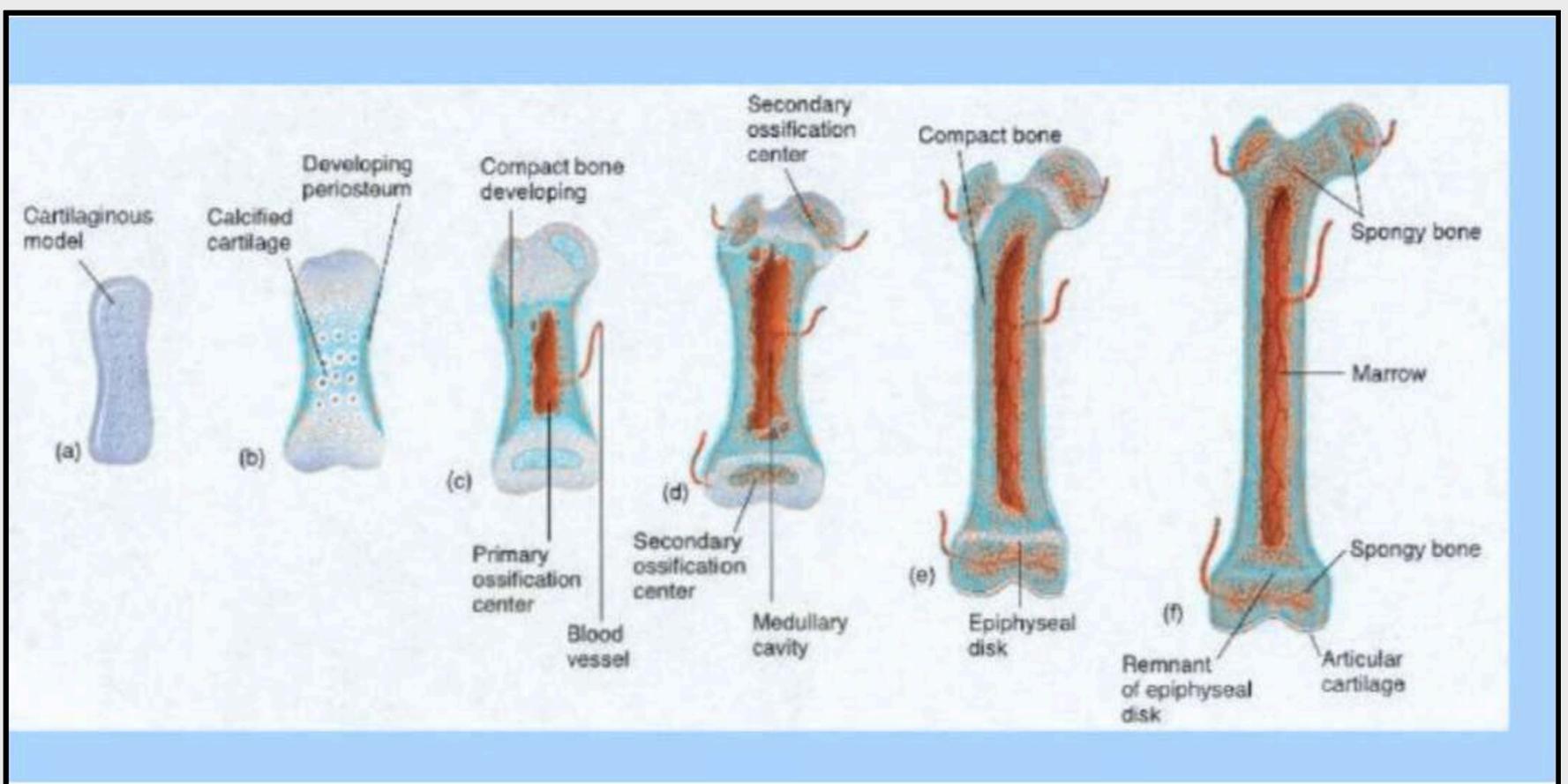
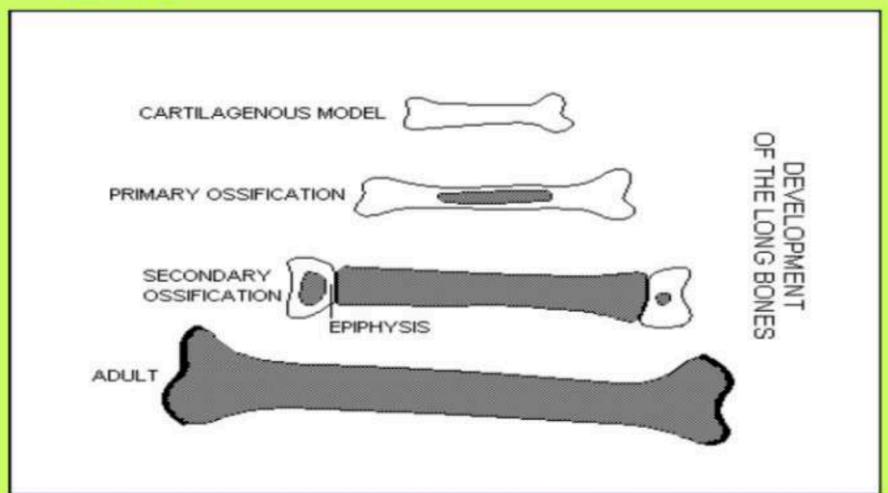
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Semitendinosus	Posterior thigh	Ischial tuberosity	Superior part of medial surface of tibia	Sciatic nerve (tibial division)	Perforating branch of profunda femoris and medial circumflex femoral arteries	Flexes leg, extends thigh
Soleus	Posterior leg	Posterior aspect of head of fibula, proximal 1/4 of posterior surface of fibula, soleal line of tibia	Posterior aspect of calcaneus via calcaneal tendon	Tibial nerve	Popliteal, posterior tibial, and fibular arteries	Plantarflexes foot at ankle, stabilizes leg over foot
Superior gemellus	Gluteal region	Outer surface of ischial spine	Medial surface of greater trochanter of femur	Nerve to obturator internus muscle	Inferior gluteal and internal pudendal arteries	Laterally rotates extended thigh and abducts flexed thigh
Tensor fasciae latae	Gluteal region	Anterior superior iliac spine and anterior part of iliac crest	Iliotibial tract that attaches to lateral condyle of tibia	Superior gluteal nerve	Ascending branch of lateral circumflex femoral artery	Abducts, medially rotates, and flexes thigh at hip; helps to keep knee extended
Tibialis anterior	Anterior leg	Lateral condyle, proximal half of lateral tibia, interosseous membrane	Medial plantar surfaces of medial cuneiform bone and base of 1st metatarsal bone	Deep fibular nerve	Anterior tibial artery	Dorsiflexes foot at ankle and inverts foot
Tibialis posterior	Posterior leg	Posterior tibia below soleal line, interosseous membrane, proximal half of posterior fibula	Tuberosity of navicular bone, all cuneiforms, cuboid, and bases of 2nd through 4th metatarsal bones	Tibial nerve	Fibular artery	Plantarflexes foot at ankle and inverts foot
Vastus intermedius (quadriceps)	Anterior thigh	Anterior and lateral surfaces of body of femur	Base of patella and to tibial tuberosity via patellar ligament	Femoral nerve	Lateral circumflex femoral and profunda femoris arteries	Extends leg at knee joint
Vastus lateralis (quadriceps)	Anterior thigh	Greater trochanter, lateral lip of gluteal tuberosity, lateral lip of linea aspera	Base of patella and to tibial tuberosity via patellar ligament	Femoral nerve	Lateral circumflex femoral and profunda femoris arteries	Extends leg at knee joint
Vastus medialis (quadriceps)	Anterior thigh	Intertrochanteric line, greater trochanter, lateral lip of gluteal tuberosity, and lateral lip of linea aspera	Base of patella and to tibial tuberosity via patellar ligament	Femoral nerve	Femoral and profunda femoris arteries	Extends leg at knee joint

Growth Plate

A bone's growth plate, also called the epiphyseal plate or physis, is a section of cartilage near the ends of long bones where new bone tissue grows, allowing the bone to increase in length. These areas are made of cartilage, are weaker than bone, and are only present in children and adolescents. When a person stops growing, the growth plates harden into solid bone.

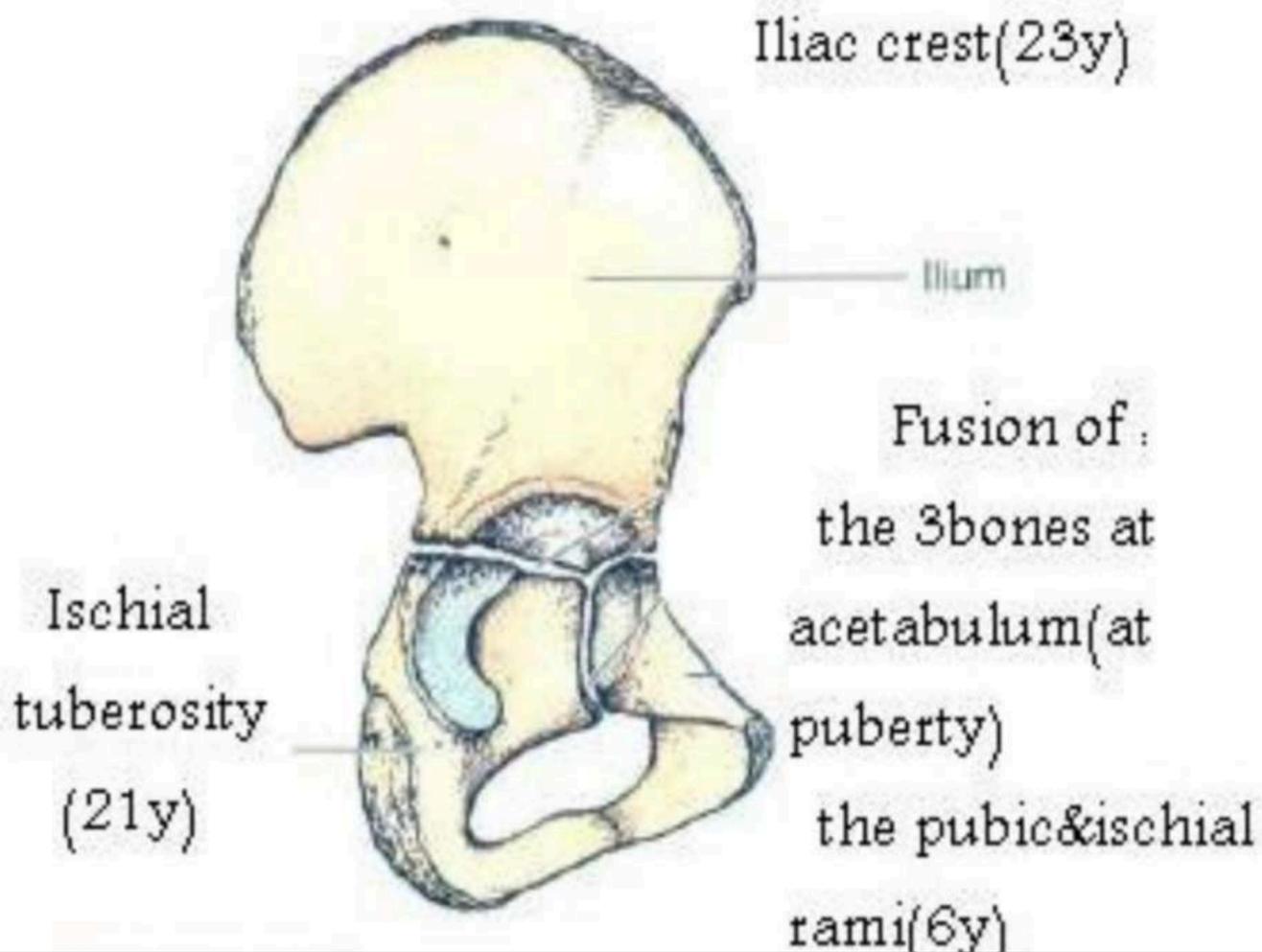
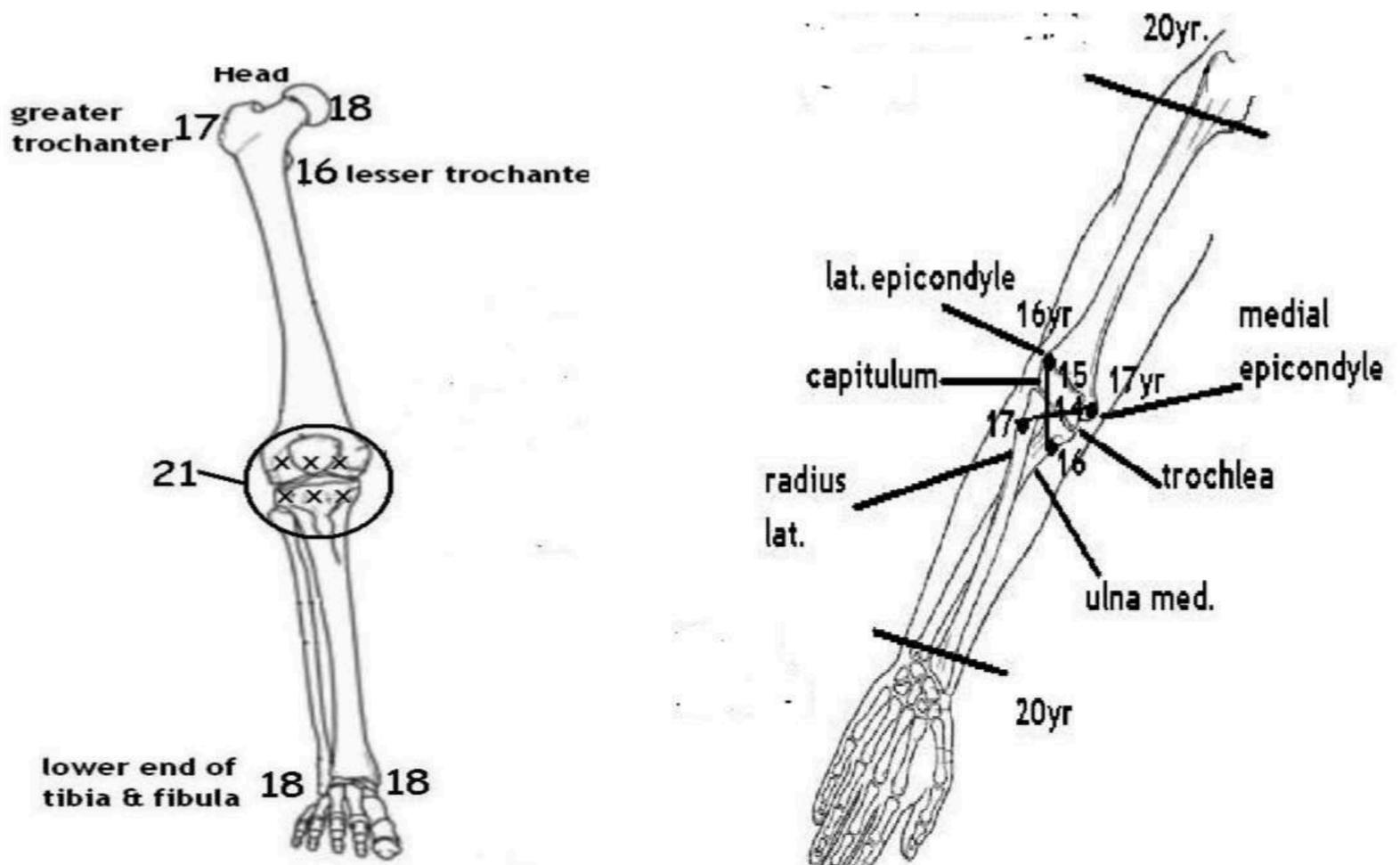


Appearance of ossific centers after birth



Age of closure for each growth plate

Note : growth plate closure in female is 2ys Earlier than male
 ex: in male distal tibial growth plate close at 18 in female at 16 years old



Most active growth plate in :

Upper limb : proximal humerus then distal radius

Lower limb : distal femur then proximal tibia

make it easy : away from the Elbow go to the knee