

FRACTURES OF UPPER EXTREMITY

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TOPICS

- Shoulder girdle
- Arm
- Forearm
- Wrist
- Carpus
- Hand

Identify the major anatomical areas of a long bone.

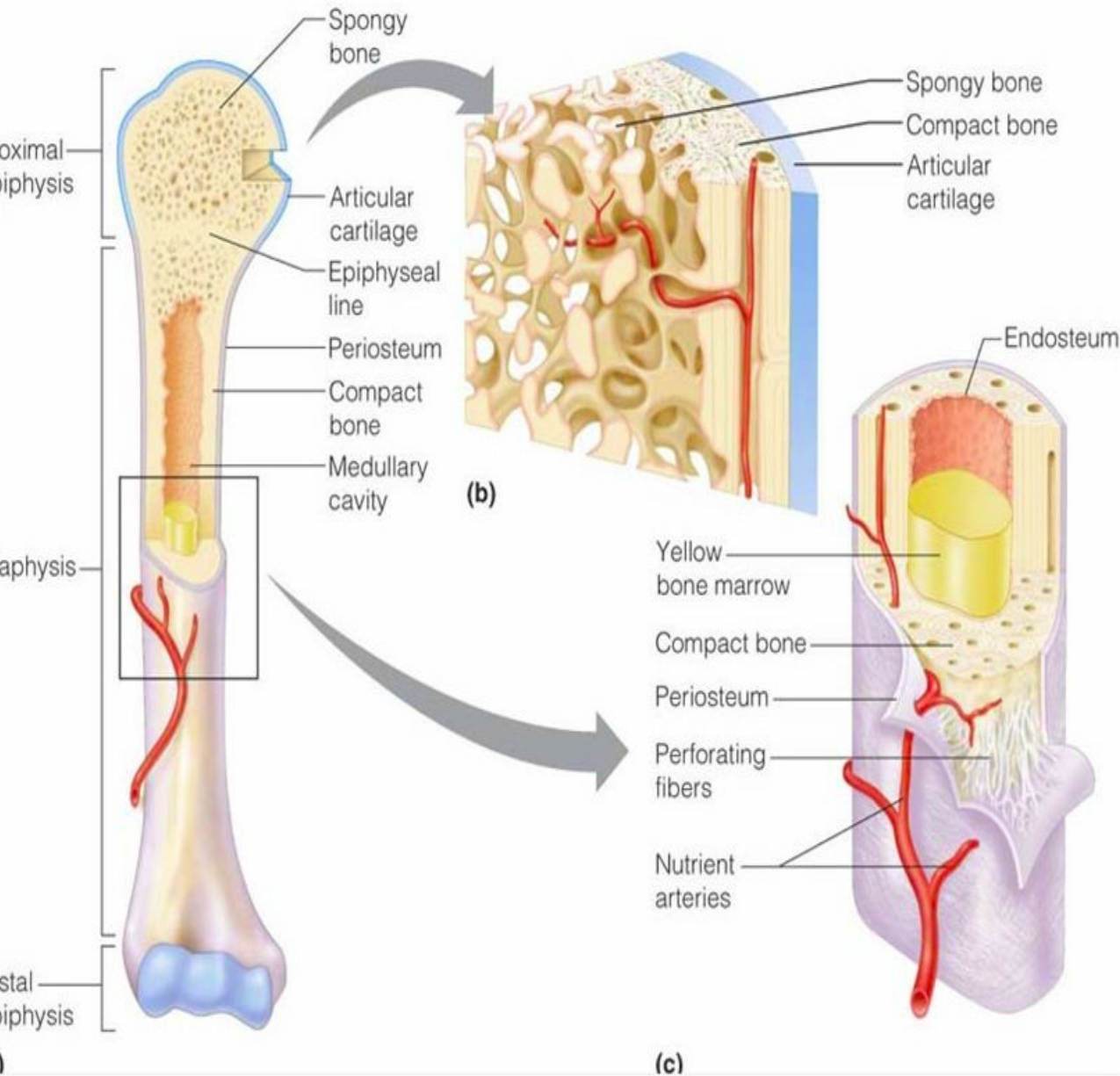


FIGURE 5.2 The structure of a long bone (humerus).

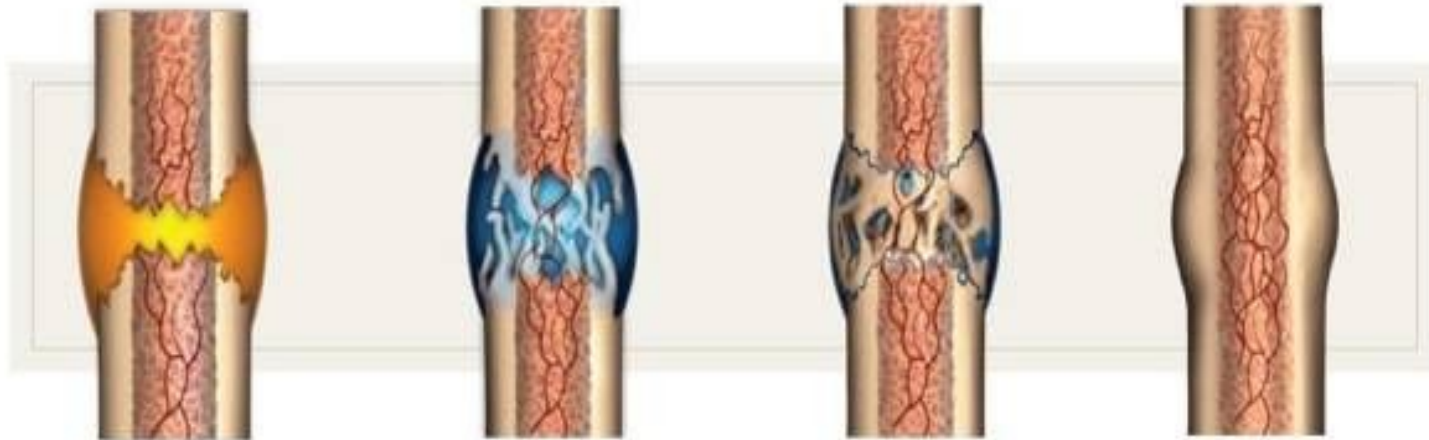
(a) Anterior view with longitudinal section cut away at the proximal end.

(b) Pie-shaped, three-dimensional view of spongy bone and compact bone of the epiphysis.

(c) Cross section of the shaft (diaphysis).

Note that the external surface of the diaphysis is covered by a periosteum, but the articular surface of the epiphysis (see b) is covered with hyaline cartilage.

Bone healing



Inflammation

Soon after a fracture occurs, a hematoma forms at the injury site. Macrophages and inflammatory leukocytes move into the damaged area to scavenge debris and begin producing the pro-inflammatory agents that initiate healing.

Soft callus

Inflammation triggers cell division and the growth of new blood vessels. Among the new cells, chondrocytes secrete collagen and proteoglycans, creating fibrocartilage that forms the soft callus.

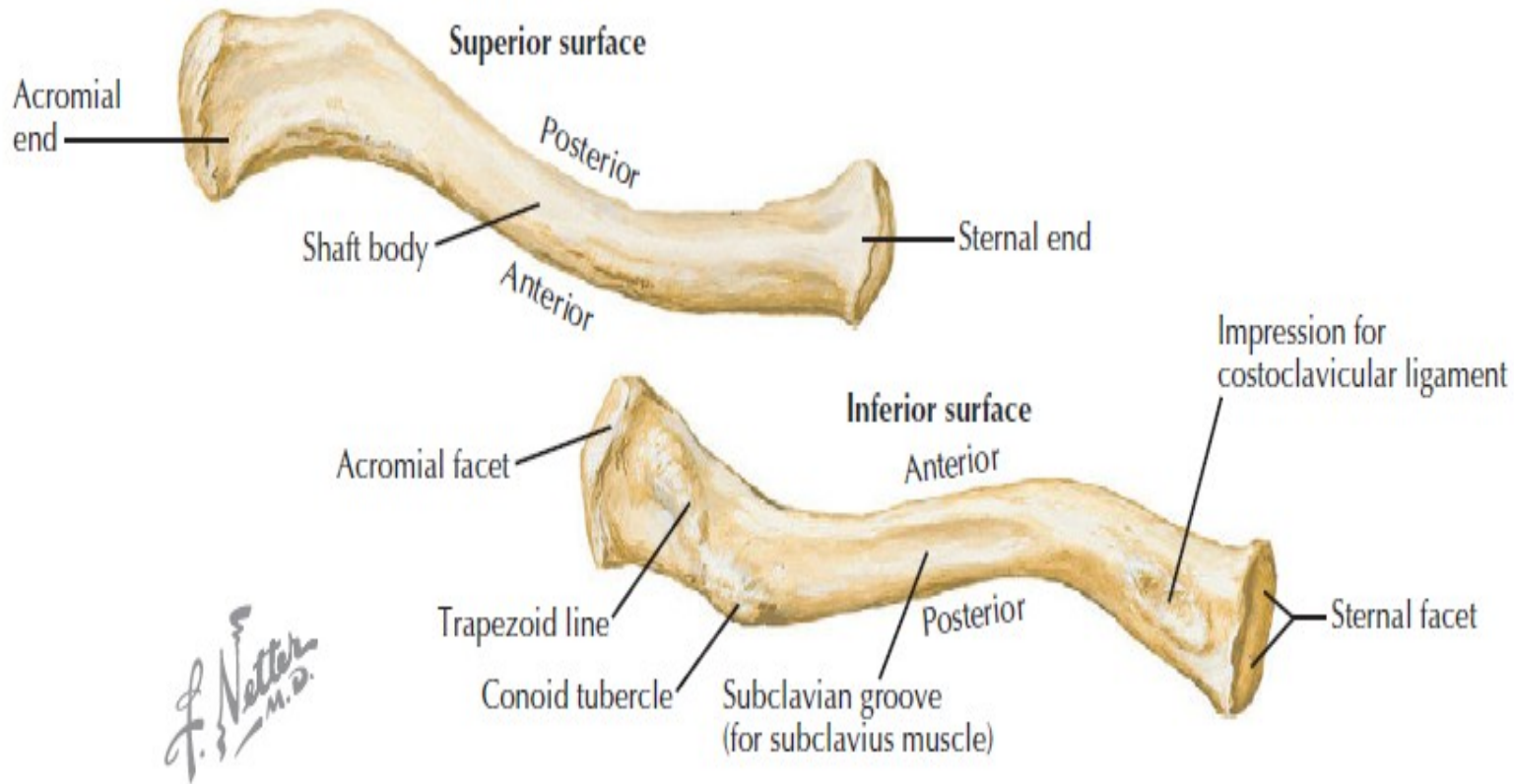
Hard callus

Through endochondral ossification and direct bone formation, woven bone replaces the soft callus to create a hard callus around the broken fragments of bone.

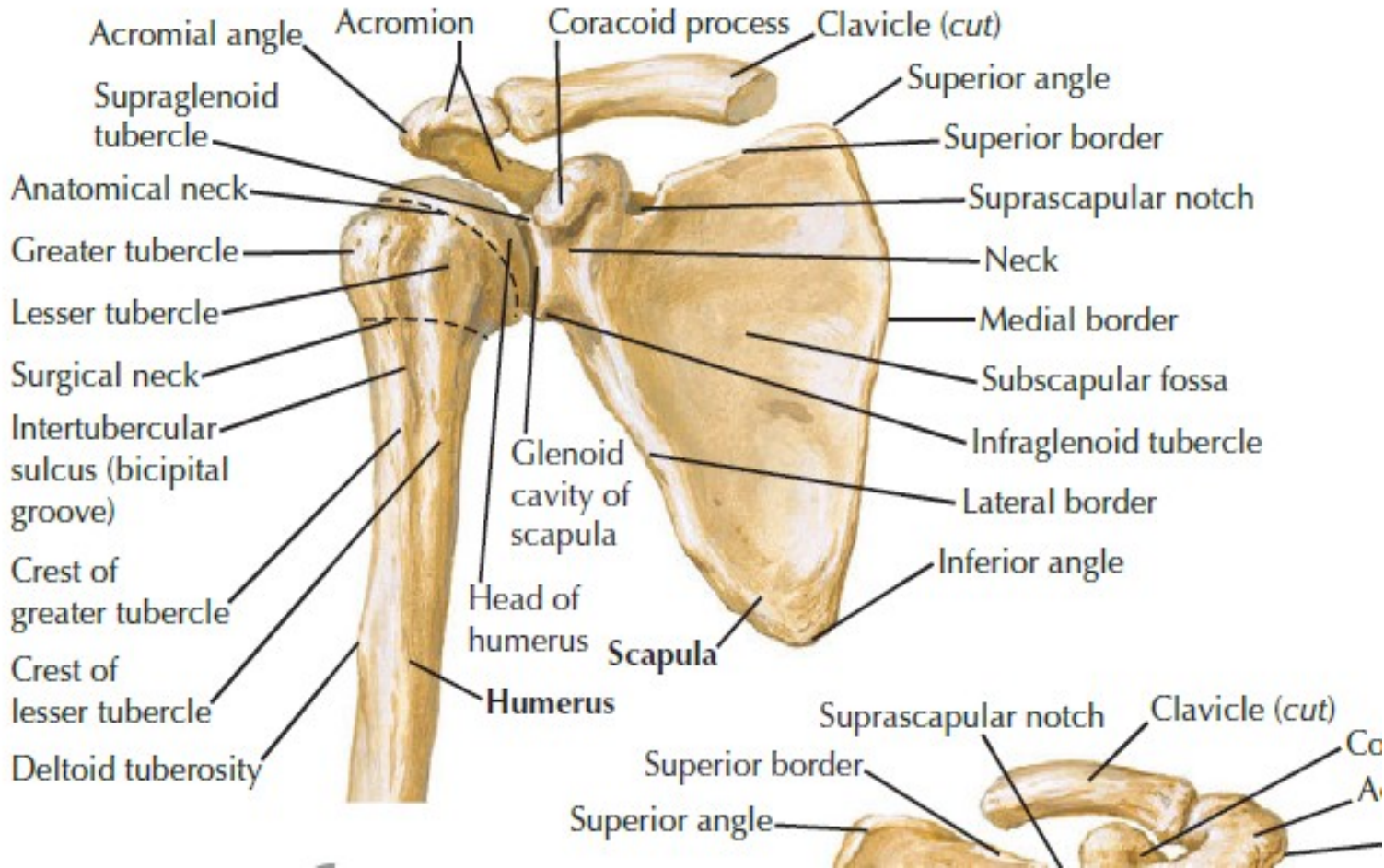
Remodeling

Over time, mechanically strong, highly organized cortical bone replaces the weaker, disorganized woven bone. Because it is continually remodeled, bone is the only tissue to heal without a scar.

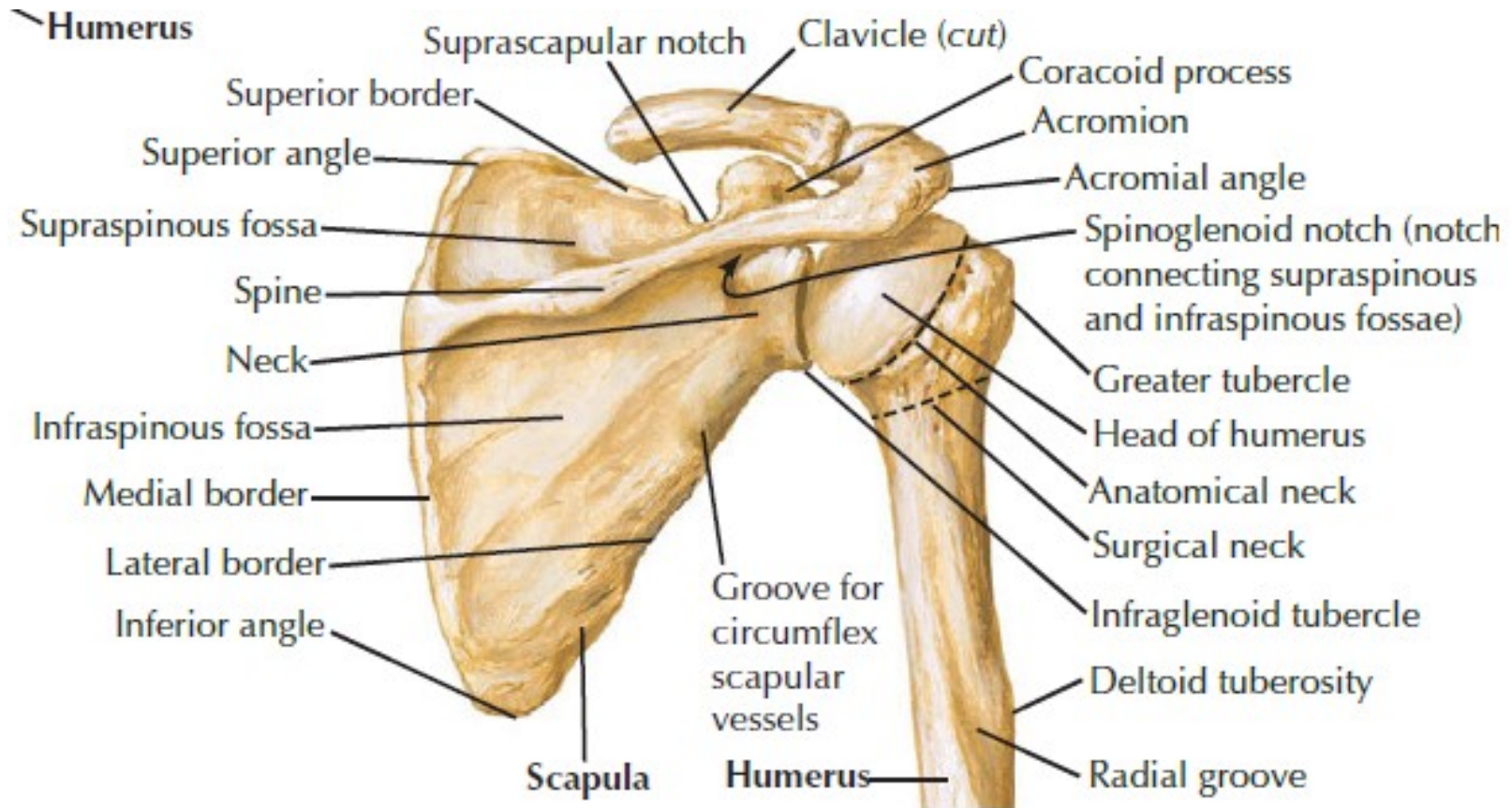
CLAVICLE

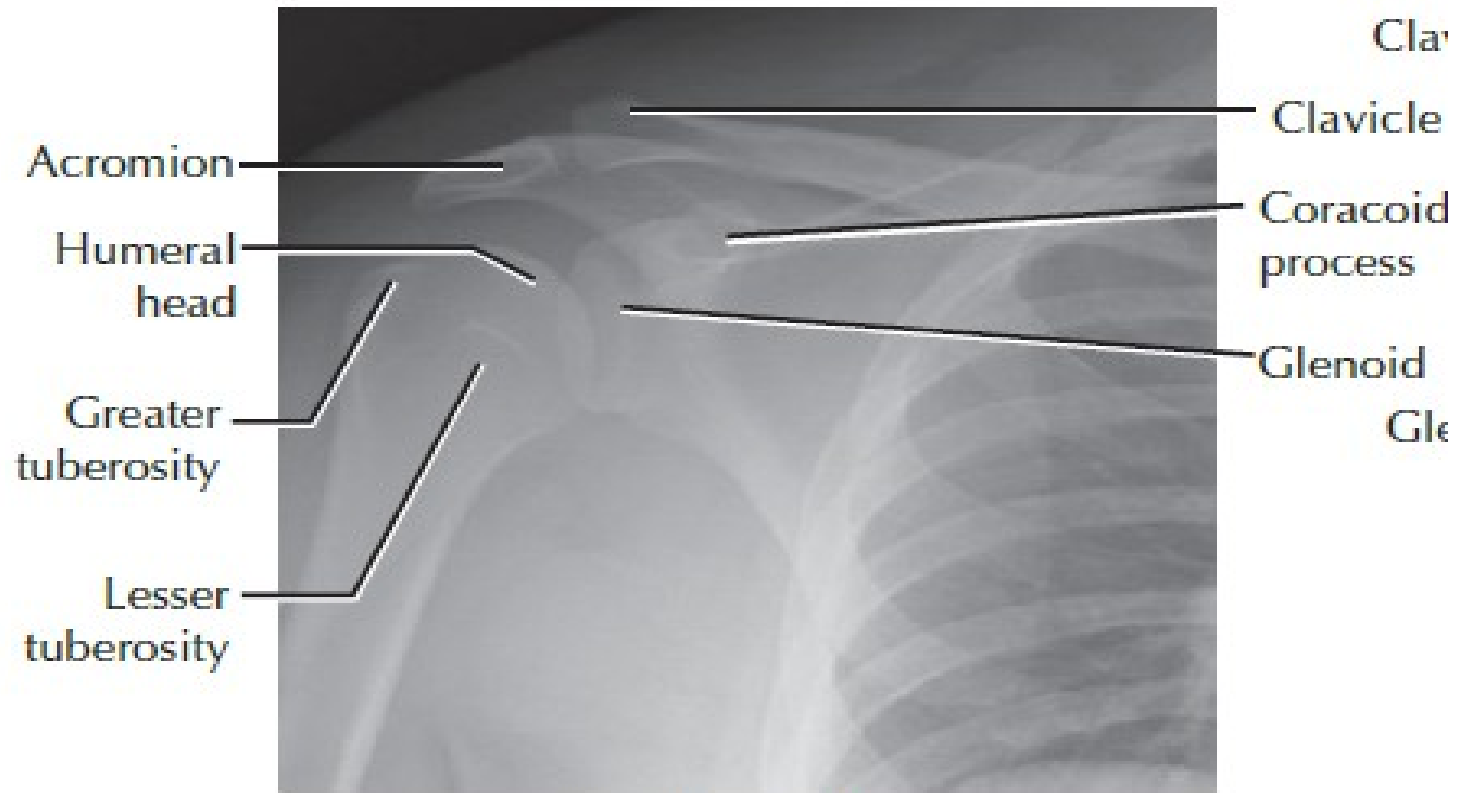


SHOULDER GRIDLE



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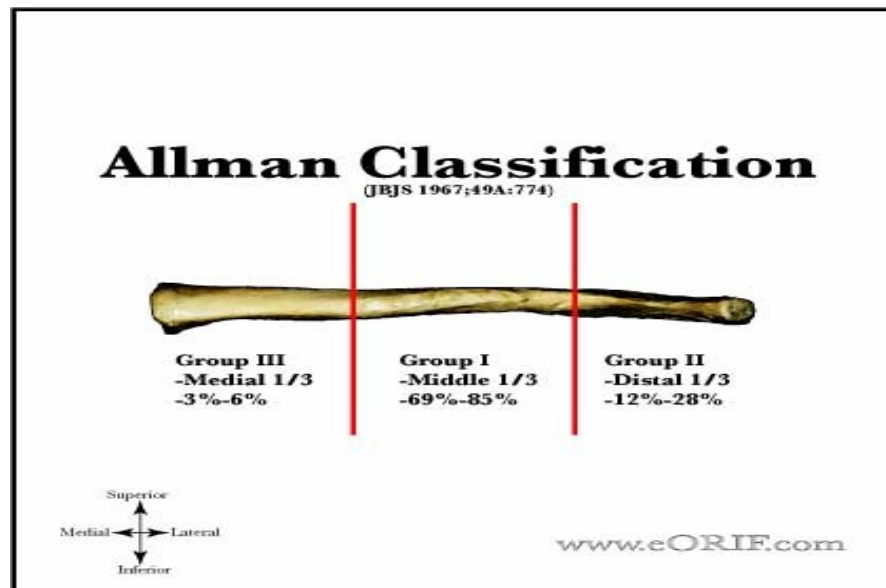




X-ray, AP

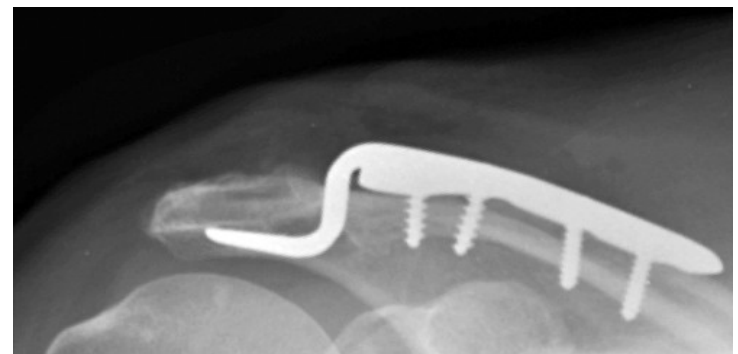
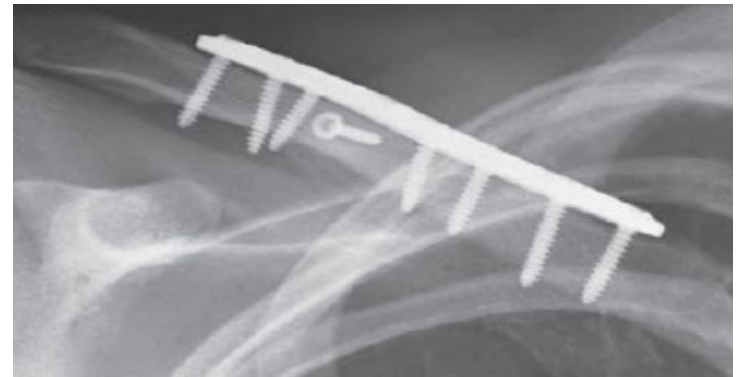
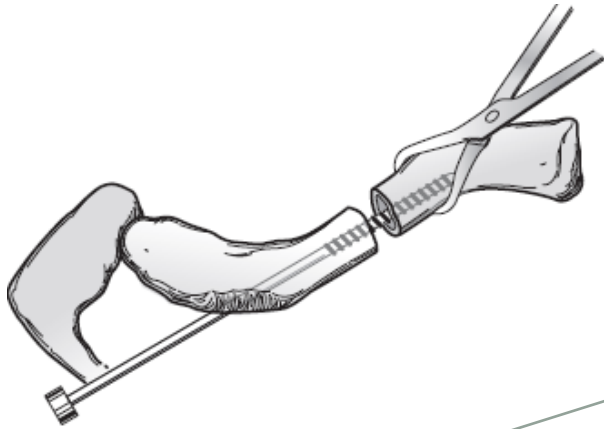
CLAVICLE FX

- Most common fx
- 80 % in middle third
- Closed treatment for most groups 1 & 3 fxs
- ORIF for fxs severely shortened, tented, open, associated with vascular injuries



CLAVICLE FIXATION DEVICES

- Intramedullary Pinning or Screw



- ORIF

SHOULDER DX

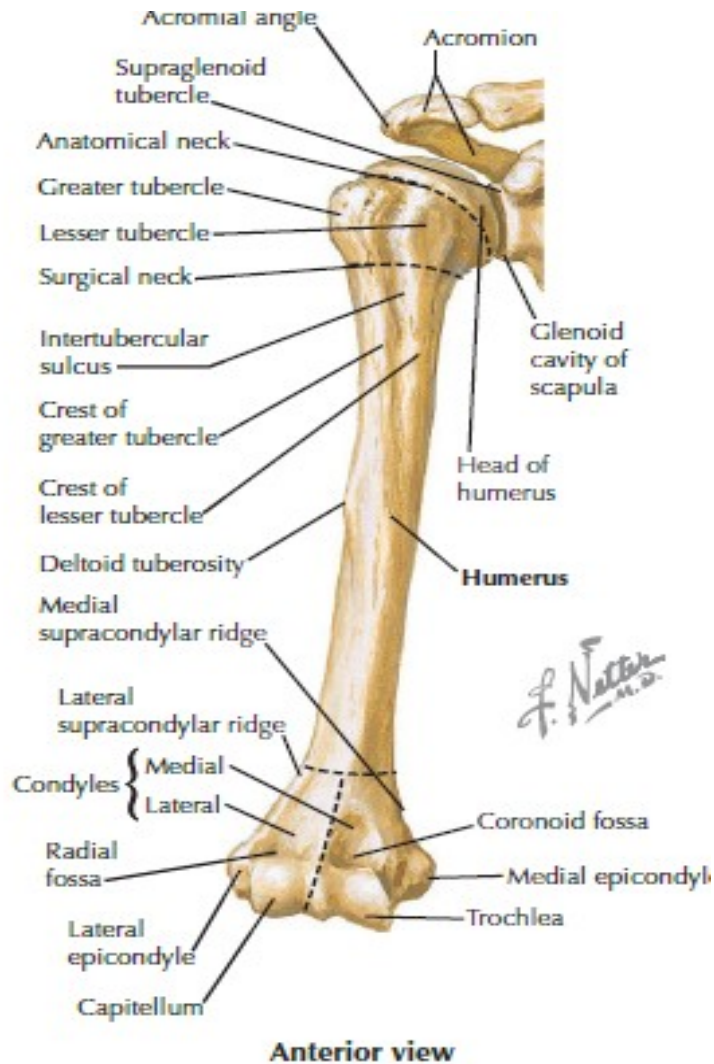
- Anterior shoulder Dx



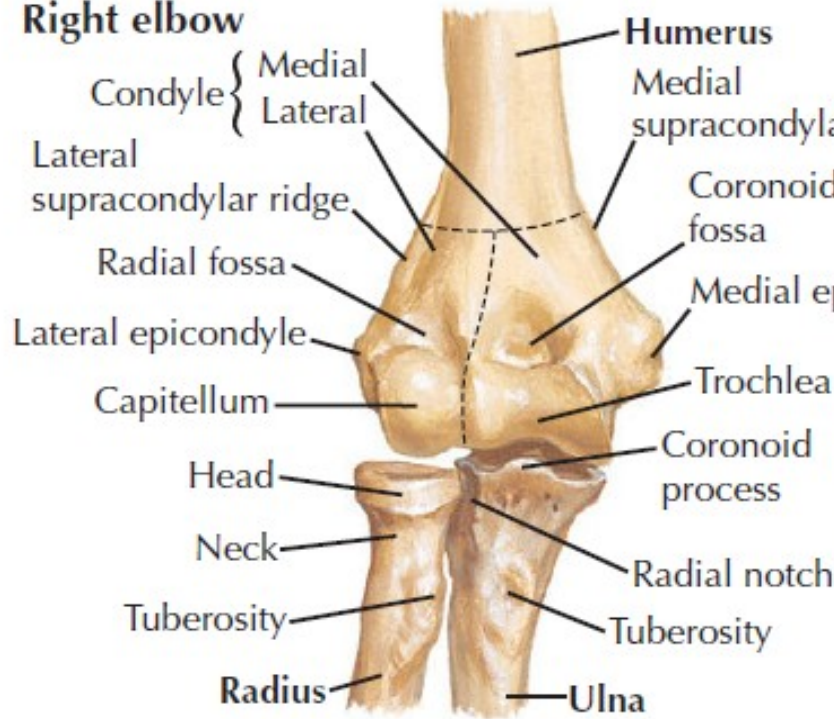
- Posterior shoulder Dx



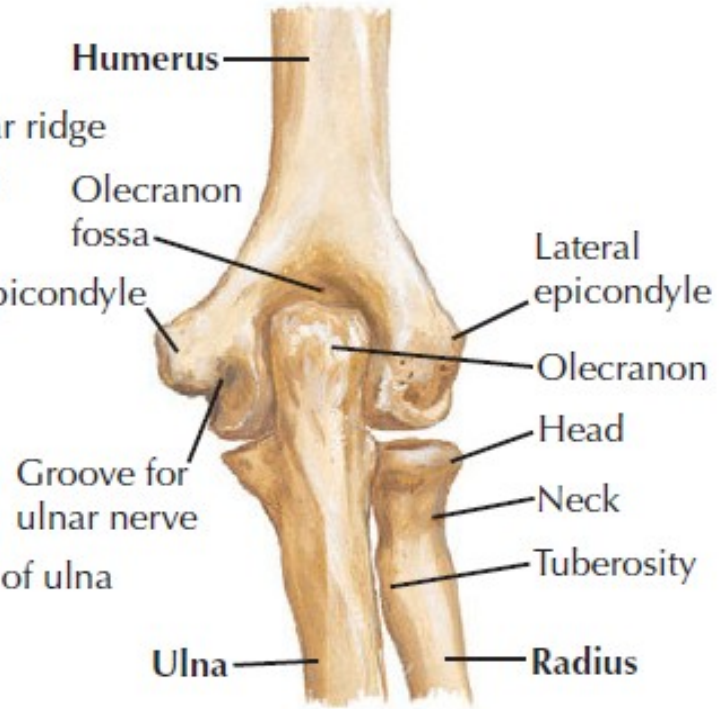
HUMERUS Fx



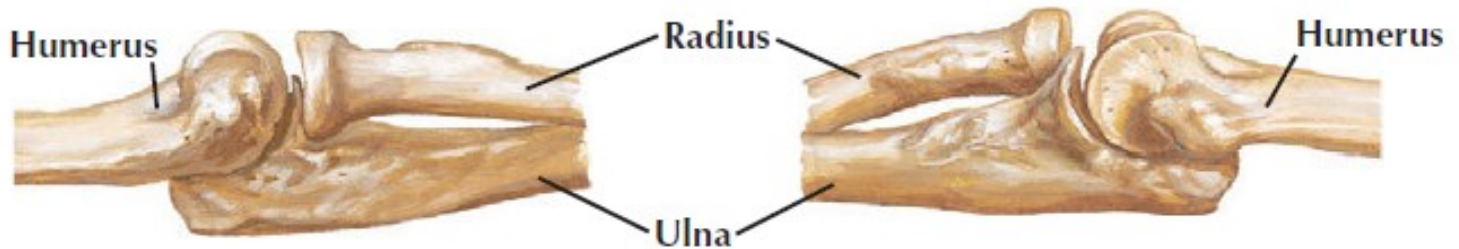
Right elbow

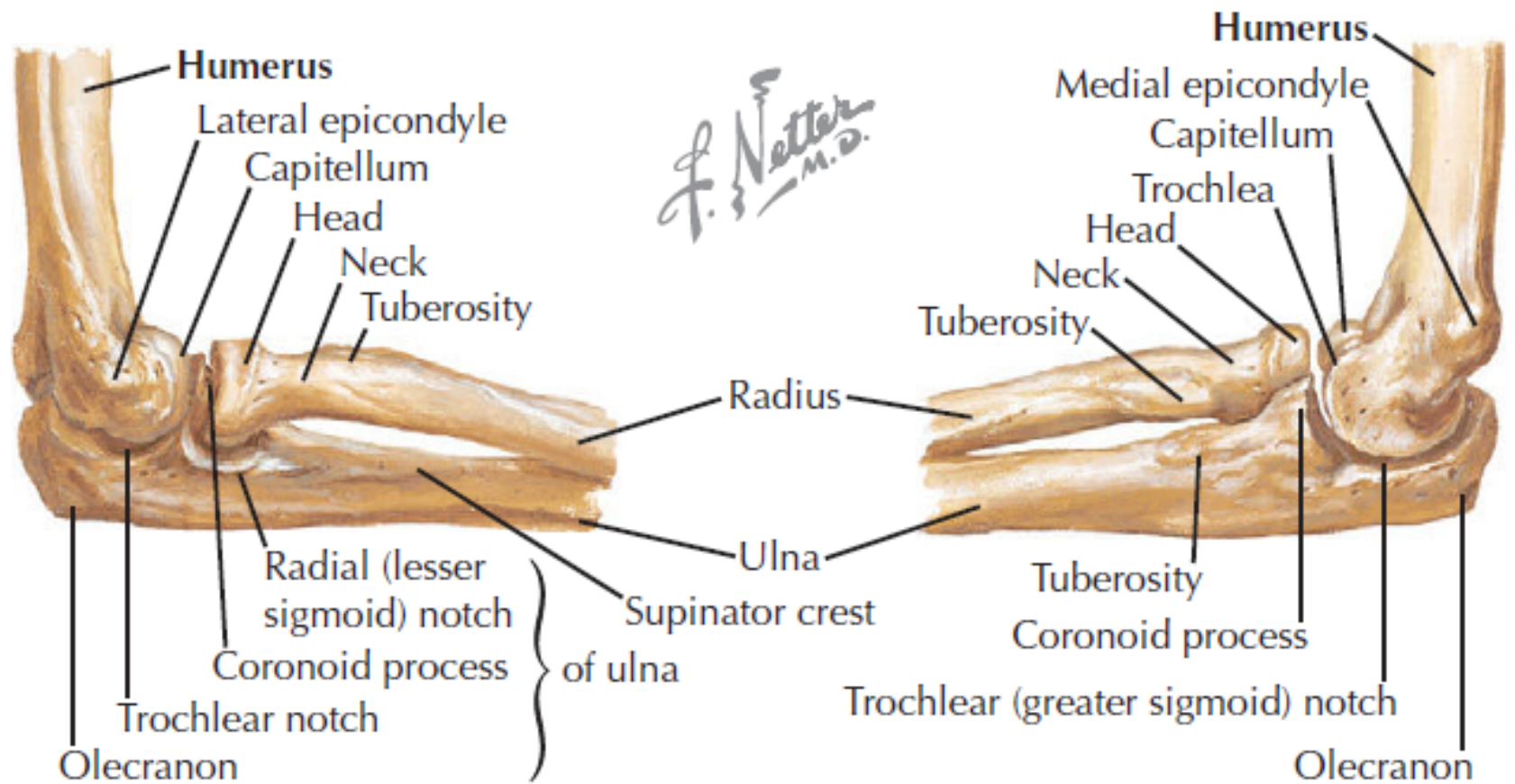


In extension: anterior view



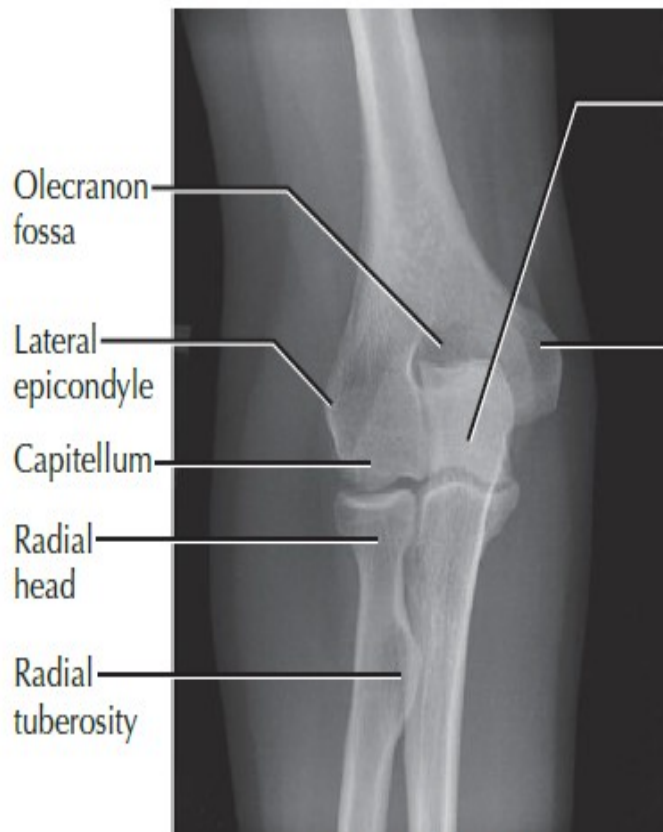
In extension: posterior view





In 90° flexion: lateral view

In 90° flexion: medial view



Olecranon
fossa

Lateral
epicondyle

Capitellum

Radial
head

Radial
tuberosity

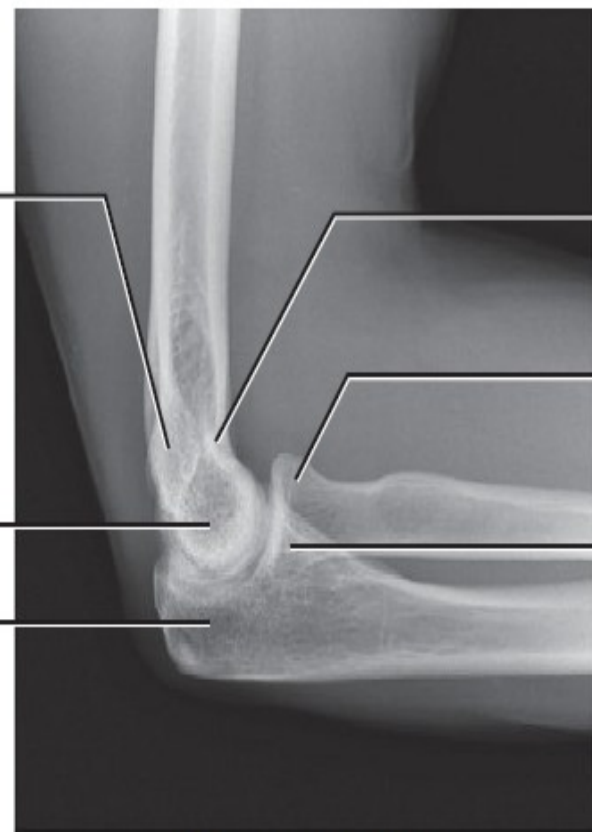
Trochlea

Olecranon
fossa

Medial
epicondyle

Capitellum

Olecranon



Coronoid
fossa

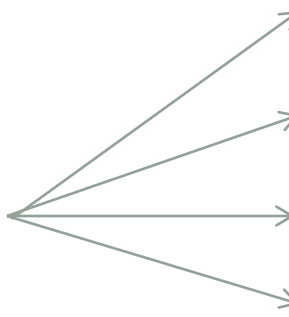
Radial
head

Coronoid
process

Elbow x-ray, AP

Elbow x-ray, lateral

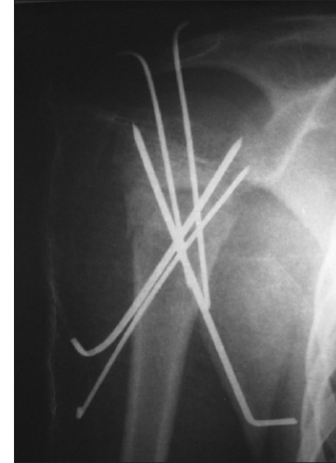
PROXIMAL HUMERUS Fx

- Common fx
- Based on 4 anatomic parts 
 - anatomic neck
 - surgical neck
 - GT
 - LT
- Most non displaced fx are treated conservatively
- Displaced fx are treated operatively

PROXIMAL HUMERUS Fx

- Operative treatment include

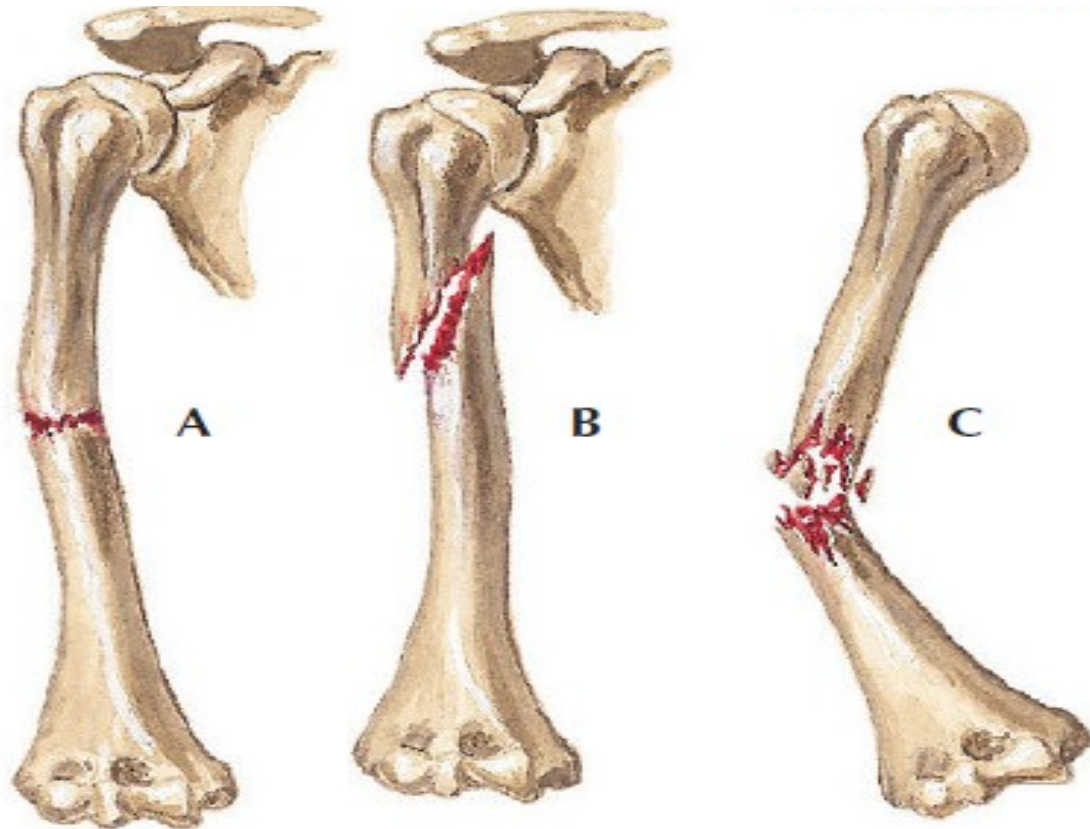
CRIF using pins



ORIF using plate &
screw



HUMERAL SHAFT Fx

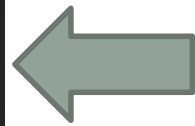


- A. Transverse fracture of midshaft
- B. Oblique (spiral) fracture
- C. Comminuted fracture with marked angulation

HUMERAL SHAFT Fx

- Common long bone fracture
- Cast/brace: acceptable alignment
 - 3cm shortening
 - 20° A/P angulation
 - 30° varus/valgus angulation
- Surgical treatment:
- Open fx, floating elbow, segmental fx, polytrauma,
- vascular injury

FIXATION METHODS

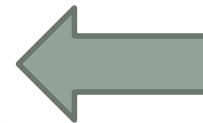


intramedullary nailing

plating



B



external fixation

DISTAL HUMERUS FX

- Most often intraarticular
- Supracondylar fx in children
- Nonoperative: rarely indicated
- Surgical: ORIF (plates & screws)



DISTAL HUMERUS FX



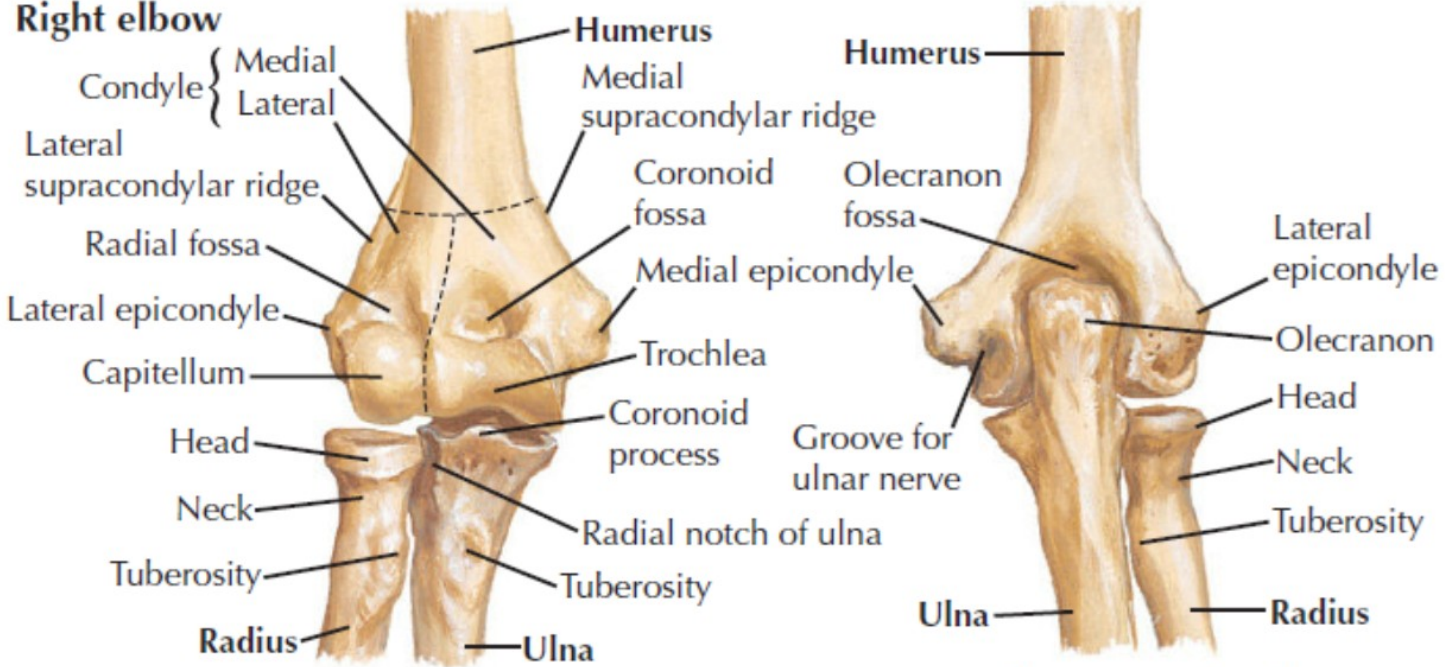
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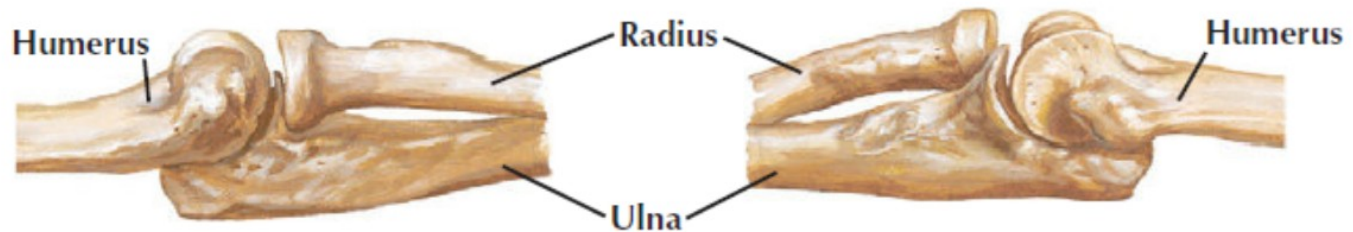
ELBOW Fx and Dx

Right elbow



In extension: anterior view

In extension: posterior view



OLECRANON Fx

- Intraarticular fracture: congruity important for good results
- Nondisplaced : Long arm cast



- Displaced:

Transverse: ORIF tension band or IM screw.

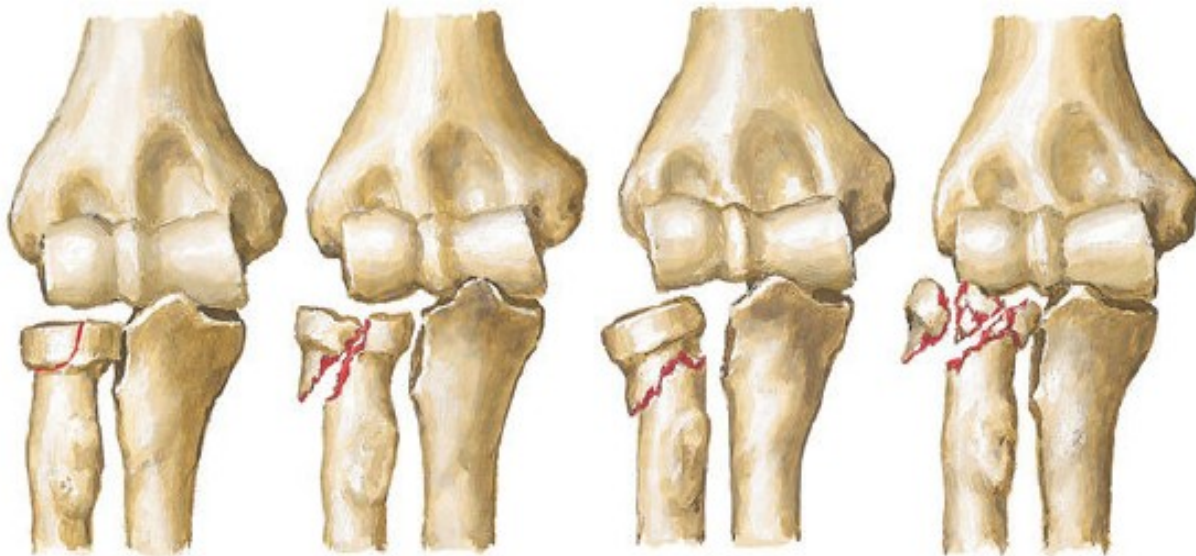
Oblique/comminuted: ORIF with contoured plate

FIXATION METHODS



RADIAL HEAD Fx

- Intraarticular fracture
- Classification



RADIAL HEAD Fx

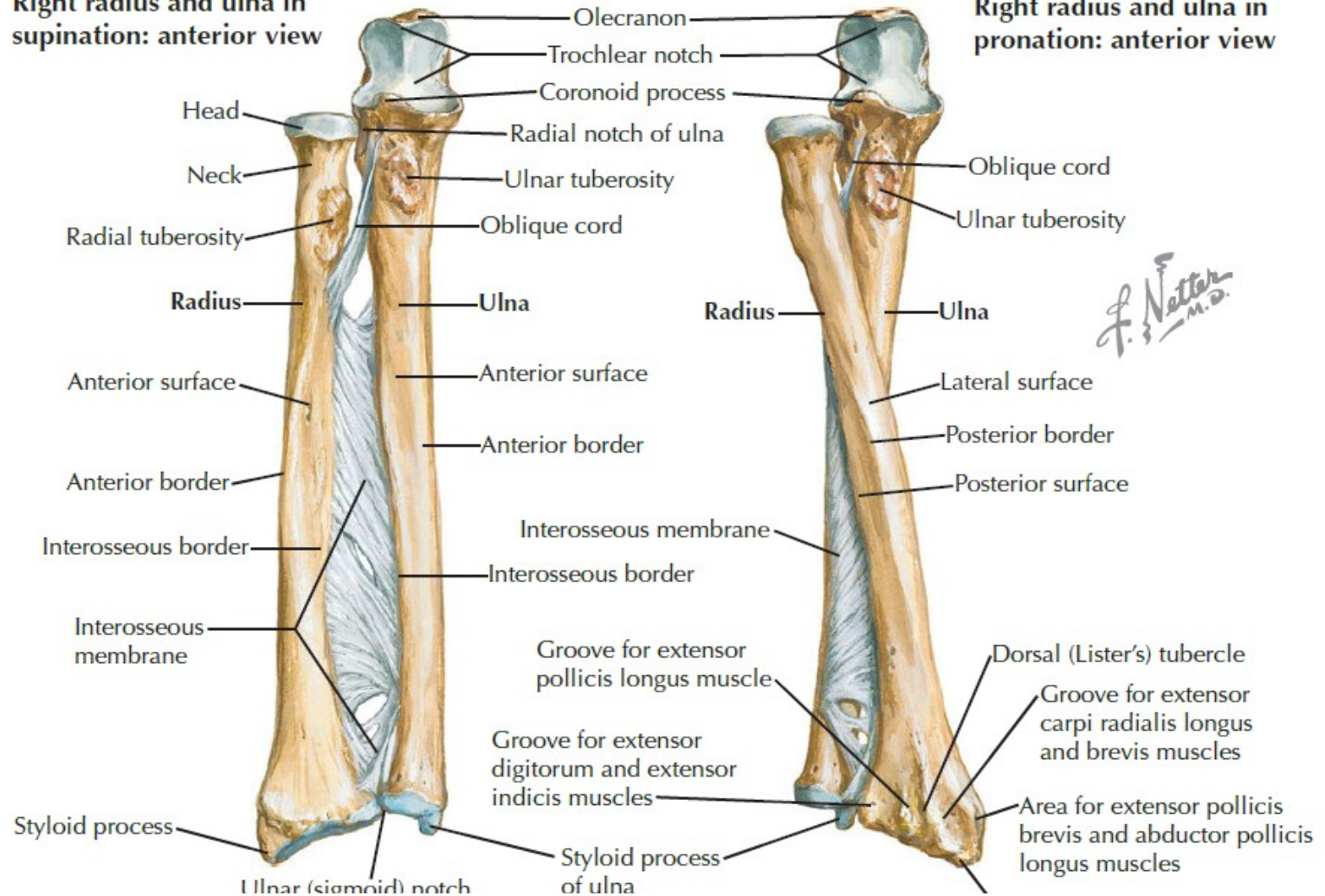
- Type I: Elbow aspiration, sling for 3 days, early ROM
- Type II: ORIF (esp. for mechanical block to motion)
- Type III: Radial head excision and/or RH arthroplasty



RADIOULNA Fx

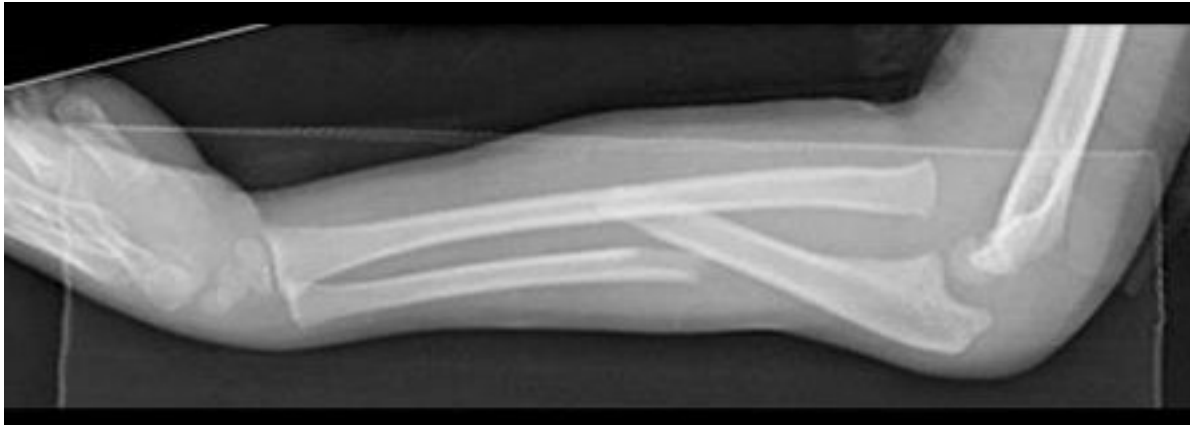
Right radius and ulna in supination: anterior view

Right radius and ulna in pronation: anterior view



RADIOULNA Fx

- Isolated
- Both bone
- Associated injury
 - Monteggia
 - Galaezzi



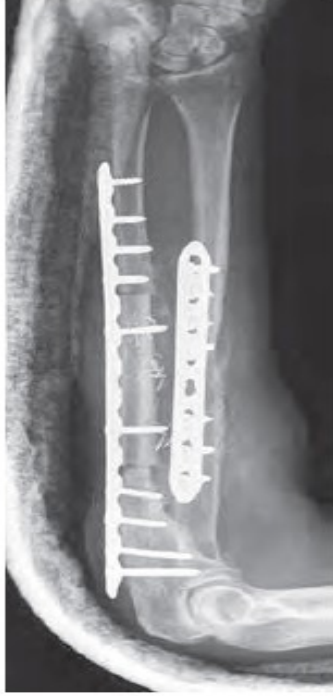
TREATMENT

- Non operative : Cast ,,, Brace
- Operative : Most often

Plate fixation

IMN

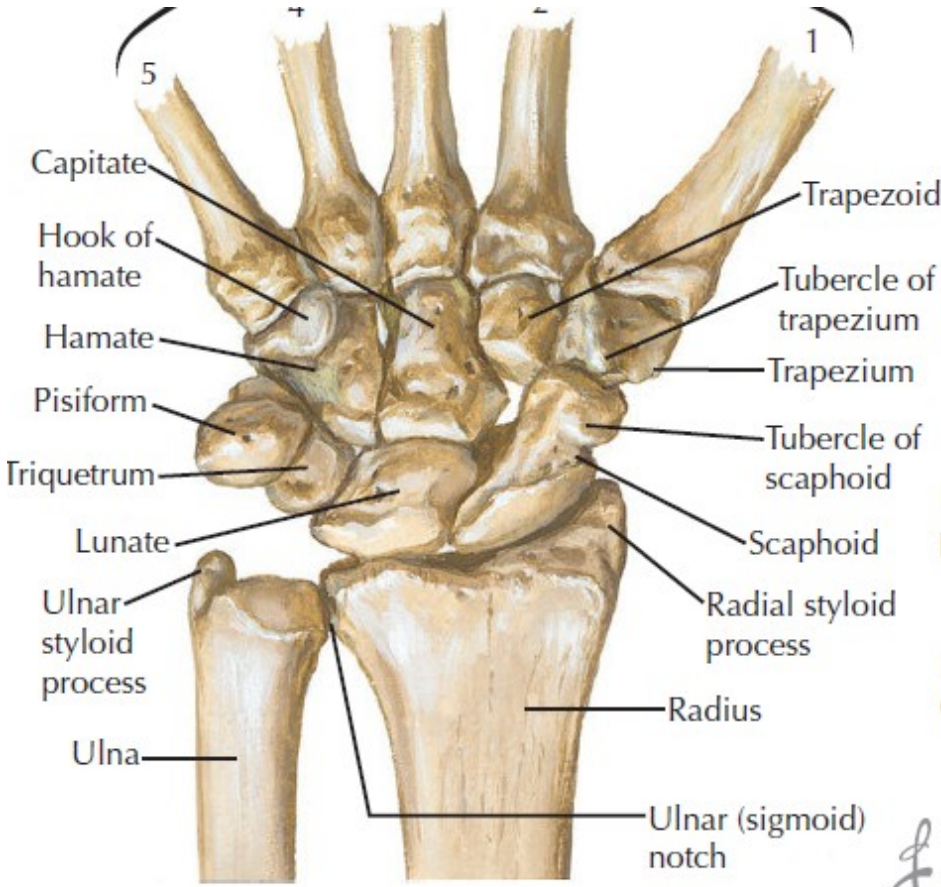
External fixator



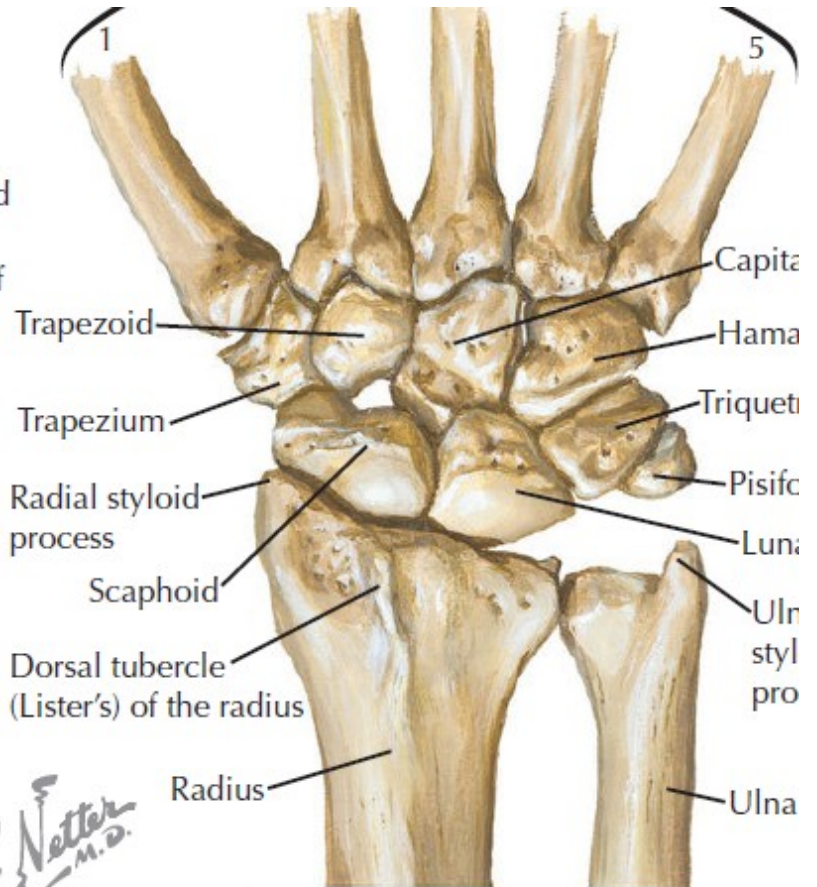
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WRIST Fx



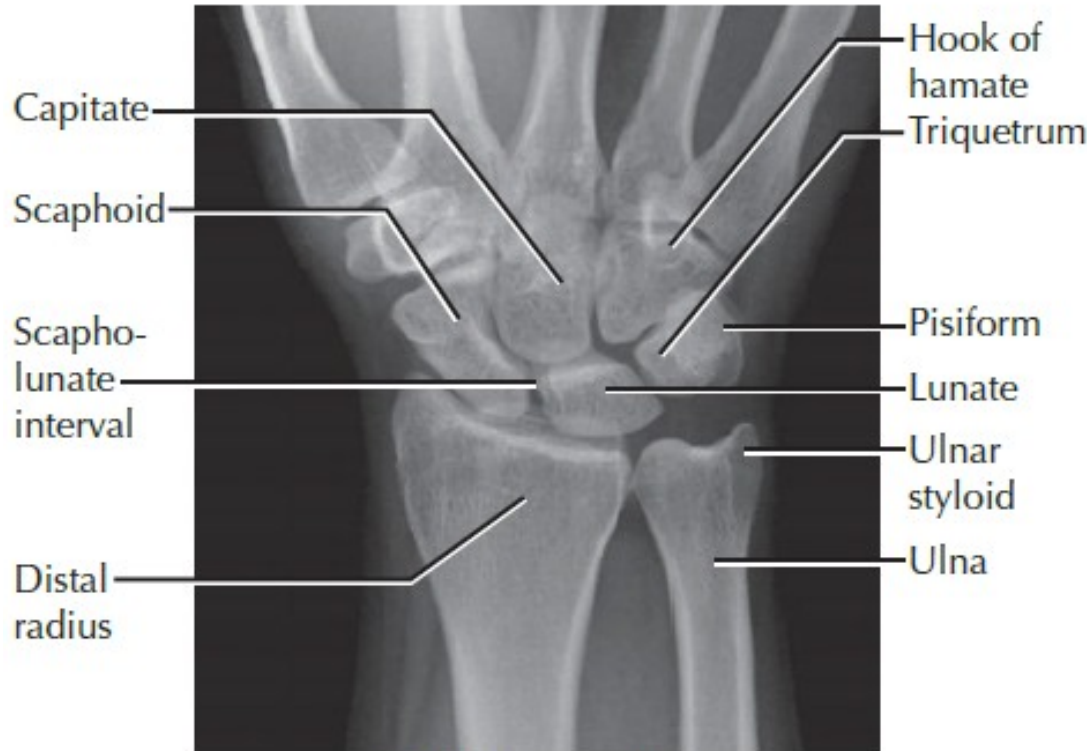
Anterior (palmar) view



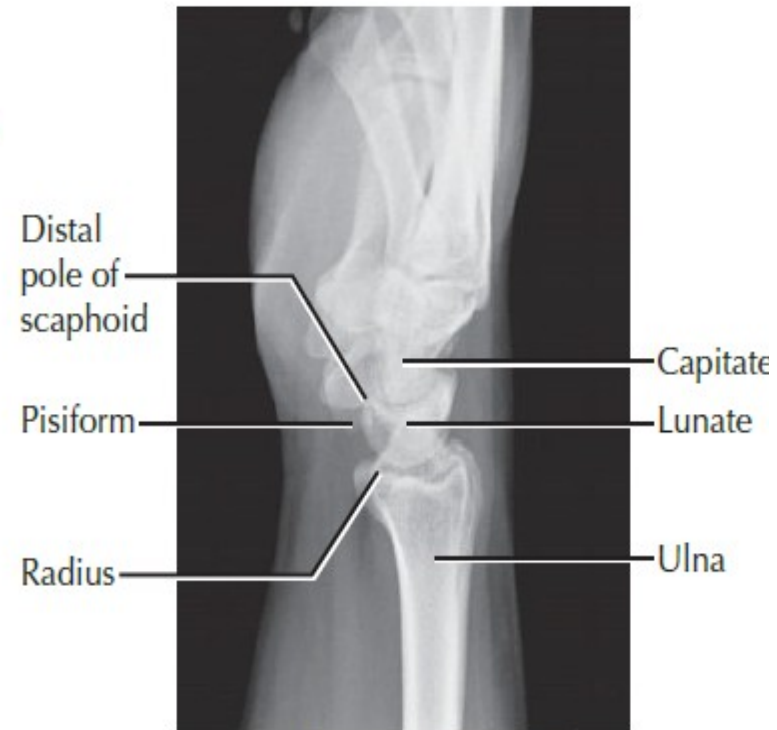
Posterior (dorsal) view

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WRIST Fx



Wrist x-ray, AP



Wrist x-ray, lateral

DISTAL RADIUS Fx

- Extra articular

Colles Fx

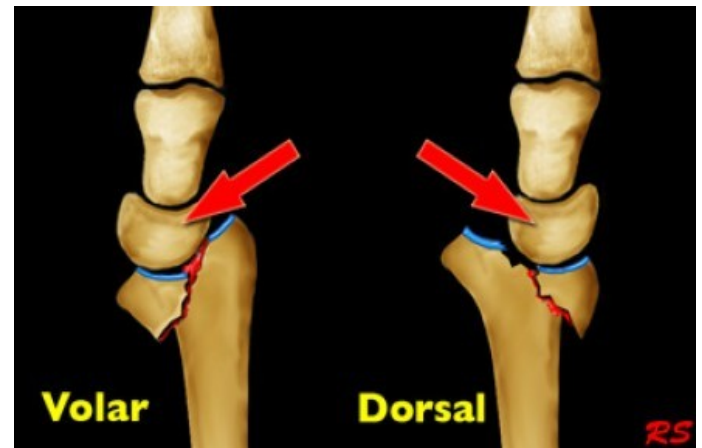
Smith Fx



- Intra articular

Volar barton

Dorsal barton



TREATMENT

- Based on patient's demand & Fx Pattern

- Non Operative : Casting

- Operative :

PCP

ORIF

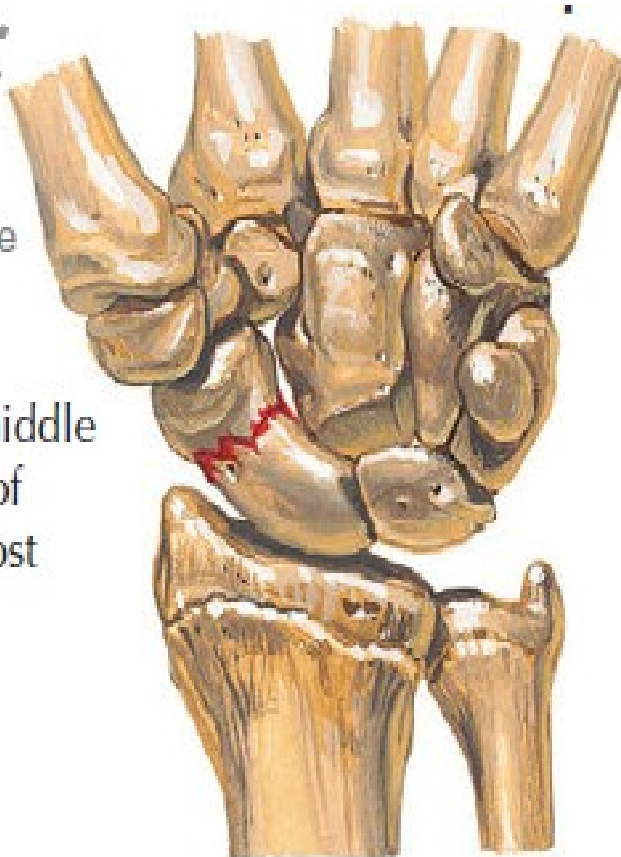
External Fixator



SCAPHOID Fx

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with
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Fracture of middle third (waist) of scaphoid (most common)



Less common fractures



Tubercle



Distal pole



Vertical shear



Proximal pole

TREATMENT

- Non operative : Casting

- Operative :

Pining

Screw



METACARPAL Fx



METACARPAL Fx



METACARPAL Fx

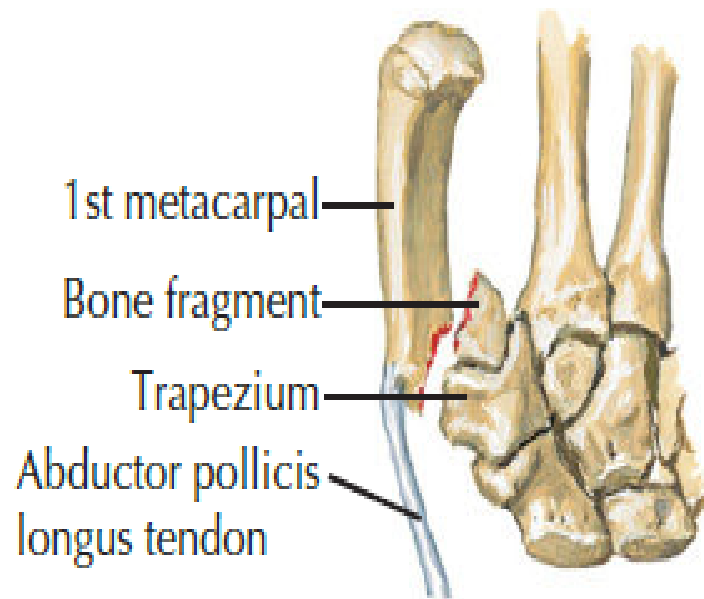


METACARPAL Fx

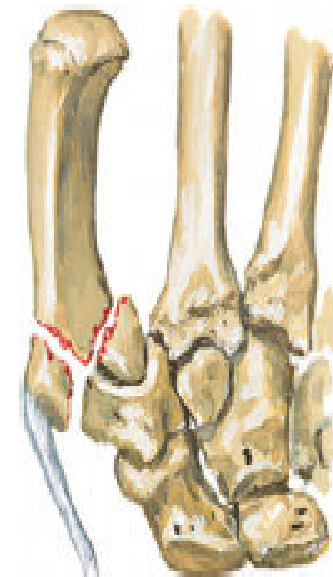


METACARPAL Fx

Fracture of Base of Metacarpals of Thumb



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Type I (Bennett fracture). Intraarticular fracture with proximal and radial dislocation of 1st metacarpal. Triangular bone fragment sheared off

Type II (Rolando fracture). Intraarticular fracture with Y-shaped configuration

PHALANX Fx



PHALANX Fx



E



F

DEVICES FOR UPPER LIMB

- K wire or Pin

Mostly for Hand and carpus, Distal radius , Children Fx.....

- IMN

Humerus , Radius, Ulna

- PLATE

Can be used anywhere

- EXTERNAL FIXATOR

- SCREW

PLATES



LCP



DCP



Reconstruction plate

PLATES



SCREW



**4.0 mm Cancellous
Short Thread**



3.5 Cortex Screw



**4.0 mm Cancellous
Screw Full Thread**



4.0 mm Cannulated Screw



**6.5 mm Cancellous Screws,
Thread Length 16 mm**



4.0 mm Cannulated Screw



4.5 Cortex Screw
310.014 to 060 with 2 mm difference



**6.5 mm Cancellous Screws,
Thread Length 32 mm**

SCREW

