

## GLUTEAL REGION, POSTERIOR THIGH, POPLITEAL FOSSA

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**I. OVERVIEW OF MUSCLE ACTIONS** - Source of confusion: Flexion is anterior movement at hip but flexion is posterior movement at knee.

A. Hip joint - ball and socket; movements of femur

Flexion - Anterior  
Extension - Posterior  
Adduction - Medial  
Abduction - Lateral  
Rotation - movement about long axis of femur

B. Knee joint - condylar joint

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Extension - Anterior  
Rotation (some) - movement about long axis of leg (tibia)

**II. GLUTEAL REGION** - area between Iliac Crest (superior) and lower border of Gluteus maximus (inferior); dividing landmark is Piriformis muscle.

A. GLUTEAL MUSCLES AND TENSOR FASCIA LATA - originate above Piriformis; are innervated by Superior and Inferior Gluteal nerves.

1. Gluteus Maximus - largest extensor of hip; used in running, climbing stairs, rising up from stooped position; actions: extend hip, laterally rotate hip, extends trunk and maintains extension of leg via iliotibial tract; Innervation: Inferior Gluteal nerve. **IMPORTANT IN WALKING AND RUNNING** - Extends hip to provide forward propulsion

2. Gluteus Medius and Minimus - deep to Gluteus Maximus; Gluteus Minimus is deepest and separated from Gluteus Medius by Superior Gluteal nerves (landmark on practical exam); Action: abduct hip, rotate medially (rotation small); **IMPORTANT IN STANDING AND WALKING** - when foot is on ground, Gluteus Medius and Minimus support body weight and stabilize pelvis. Innervation: Superior Gluteal nerve.

Note: **Gluteal gait** - caused by injury to Superior Gluteal nerve or poliomyelitis (also congenital dislocation of hip joint). Paralyze Gluteus Medius and Minimus. Pelvis tilts in walking when lift foot of opposite, non-paralyzed leg. **PELVIS TILTS DOWN ON OPPOSITE (NON-PARALYZED) SIDE** (this is known as a Positive Trendelenburg sign).

3. Tensor Fascia Lata - inserts onto Iliotibial tract; in standing, abducts hip and maintains extension of leg; innervated by Superior Gluteal nerve.

B. BURSAE - function as shock absorbers, reduce friction of movement of muscle tendons against bones or other tendons

1. Trochanteral Bursa - separates Gluteus Maximus from Greater Trochanter of Femur and Vastus Lateralis.

2. Ischial Bursa - separates Gluteus Maximus from Ischial tuberosity.

Note: **Weaver's Bottom** - Inflammation of Ischial Bursae; when sitting, weight of body rests on Ischial tuberosities (Gluteus maximus covers Ischial tuberosities when standing, but not when sitting); Ischial bursae may become inflamed due to excess friction (Weavers used legs to power treadles by repeated leg extension, causing inflammation of Ischial bursae); may also become inflamed in paraplegics.

C. PIRIFORMIS AND MUSCLES BELOW PIRIFORMIS - Piriformis (=pear shaped), Quadratus Femoris, Obturator Internus, Superior Gemellus, Inferior Gemellus (from L. Gemini, twin)

1. Action - lateral rotation of femur (tendons posterior to hip joint) but also stabilize hip joint and hold head of femur in acetabulum.

2. Innervated by branches of lumbosacral plexus named for muscles (nerve to Obturator internus, nerve to Piriformis, nerve to Quadratus femoris).

**III. ARTERIES AND NERVES** - all leave pelvis by Greater Sciatic foramen.

A. ARTERIES - from Internal Iliac

1. Superior Gluteal Artery - courses above Piriformis, between Gluteus Medius and Gluteus Minimus..

2. Inferior Gluteal Artery - courses below Piriformis; branches join Cruciate anastomosis at hip joint.

B. NERVES- from Lumbosacral plexus

1. Superior Gluteal Nerve - innervates Gluteus Medius and Minimus, Tensor fascia lata.

2. Inferior Gluteal Nerve - innervates Gluteus maximus. .

3. Posterior Cutaneous nerve of hip - large sensory nerve to posterior hip and gluteal region, medial to Sciatic nerve

4. **Sciatic Nerve** - largest nerve body (from L45,S123); composed of Tibial and Peroneal parts; ends as Tibial and Common Peroneal nerves; courses deep to Gluteus maximus, found halfway between ischial tuberosity and greater trochanter; can be damaged in posterior dislocation of hip joint.

Clinical Note: Intramuscular Injection in Gluteal Region - need to avoid damage to Sciatic nerve; injection given in Upper Lateral Quadrant of Gluteal region.

Clinical Note: Early branching of Sciatic Nerve - Tibial and Peroneal parts normally branch in distal hip but can branch early; Sciatic nerve looks like two nerves; branches can sometimes be through Piriformis and get compressed (Piriformis syndrome).

**IV. POSTERIOR HIP** - muscles are called hamstrings because used by butchers for hanging hams of pigs.



A. Hamstring muscles - all originate from Ischial tuberosity; all cross hip and knee joint and most are Bifunctional (Extend hip and flex knee);

1. Semimembranosus (named for flattened tendon),
2. Semitendinosus (named for long tendon distally),
3. Biceps femoris (two heads, long head from Ischial tuberosity, short head from Linea aspera of femur),
4. Adductor magnus hamstring part takes origin from Ischial tuberosity.

B. Innervation of Hamstrings - all innervated by Tibial part of Sciatic Nerve except Short head of Biceps - innervated by Peroneal part of Sciatic Nerve.

Note: The Peroneal and Tibial parts occur as distinct, separate bundles within the Sciatic Nerve even before it has divided into the Tibial and Common Peroneal nerve.

Clinical note: Pulled Hamstrings - can tear or avulse (pull off) part of origin of muscles from Ischial tuberosity; can occur in running or when extend knee (contract Quadriceps) when hamstrings are not relaxed; extremely painful, person writhes in unbearable agony.

C. Arteries - Blood supply from perforating arteries (branches of Profunda femoris)

**V. POPLITEAL FOSSA** - diamond shaped region in back of knee; boundaries - Superior: Semimembranosus and Semitendinosus medial, Biceps femoris lateral; Inferior - Medial and lateral heads of Gastrocnemius.

A. Fascia - forms roof over fossa; very strong and does not permit expansion; pain from abscess, aneurysm or tumor in fossa very painful.

B. Popliteus Muscle - small but functionally important; takes origin from inside knee joint (lateral condyle of femur, lateral meniscus); inserts to tibia; innervation - Tibial nerve.

Biomechanical note: Unlocking of Knee joint - Popliteus muscle unlocks knee joint; when extend leg, femur tends to rotate medially, pulling tendons and ligaments taut and 'locking' knee; Popliteus acts to rotate femur laterally when beginning to flex leg; this unlocks knee joint.

C. Nerves - Sciatic nerve branches into Tibial and Common Peroneal nerves in distal thigh.

1. Tibial nerve - located in midline, supplies posterior compartments of leg; cutaneous branch in Popliteal Fossa: Sural nerve (Medial Sural cutaneous nerve) - accompanies Small Saphenous vein; provides sensory innervation to posterior side of calf and lateral side of ankle and foot.

2. Common Peroneal Nerve - supplies anterior and lateral compartment of leg; cutaneous branch: Lateral Sural Cutaneous Nerve - sensory to skin of lateral calf.

Clinical Note: Damage to Common Peroneal Nerve - most commonly damaged nerve in lower extremity; very superficial when winds around neck of fibula; can be severed by fracture of fibula or damaged from tight plaster cast; clinical sign is Foot Drop.

**VI. POPLITEAL ARTERY AND GENICULAR ANASTOMOSIS** - Popliteal artery (continuation of Femoral Artery) courses deep in Popliteal fossa (deep to Popliteal vein); divides into Anterior and Posterior Tibial arteries distally; branches of Popliteal artery form Genicular Anastomosis at knee:

1. Superior Medial Genicular artery - anastomoses with Descending Genicular artery (from Femoral Artery)

2. Superior Lateral Genicular artery - anastomoses with Descending branch of Lateral Femoral Circumflex artery

3. Inferior Medial Genicular artery - anastomoses with Recurrent branch of Anterior Tibial artery

4. Inferior Lateral Genicular artery - anastomoses with Recurrent branch of Anterior Tibial artery

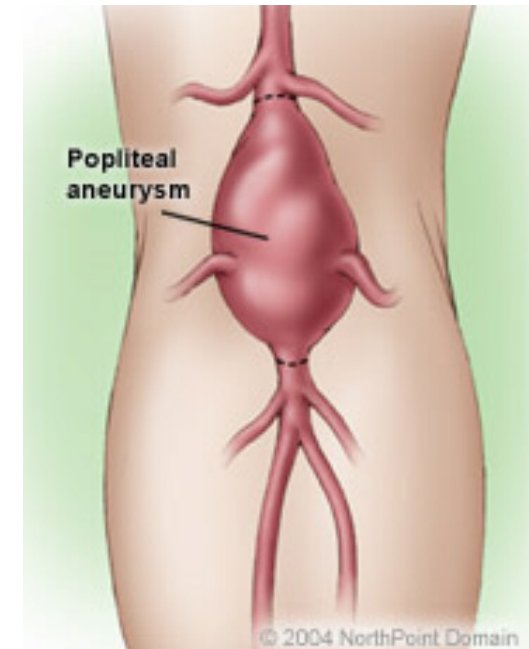
Clinical Note: Aneurysm of Popliteal artery - painful, due to toughness of fascia on back of knee, Femoral artery can be ligated above knee deep to Sartorius in Subsartorial canal (also called Hunter's canal for John Hunter, Scottish surgeon who invented operation); blood supply maintained by anastomoses around knee (Genicular anastomosis).

**VII. POPLITEAL LYMPH NODES** - lymph vessels follow venous drainage; receive lymph from deep leg that travel with anterior and posterior tibial vessels; also lymph from superficial leg and lateral foot from vessels with Small saphenous vein; drain superiorly to deep inguinal nodes.

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## OUTLINE

- I. OVERVIEW MUSCLE ACTIONS
- II. GLUTEAL REGION - muscles, **bursae**, **Gluteal gait**
- III. ARTERIES AND NERVE OF GLUTEAL REGION - **Sciatic nerve**
- IV. POSTERIOR THIGH - **Pulled hamstrings**
- V. POPLITEAL FOSSA - Back of knee, aneurisms; **mechanism unlock knee**
- VI. GENICULAR ANASTOMOSIS - permits prolonged flexion of knee without loss of blood supply
- VII. POPLITEAL LYMPH NODES



**Popliteal aneurysm = dilation of vessel due to weakness of walls**

**WORD OF DAY (WORD ON THE STREET) - ANEURYSM - dilation (Gk.) (abnormal enlargement) of blood vessel due to weakness of walls**

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Abduction - Lateral

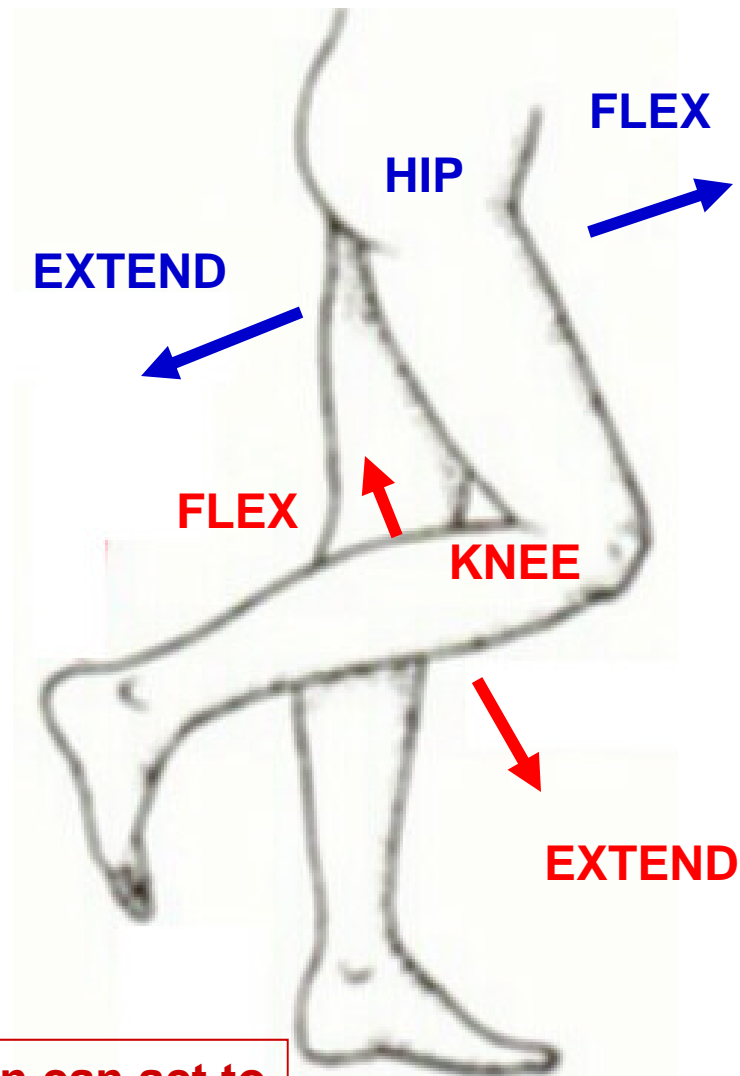
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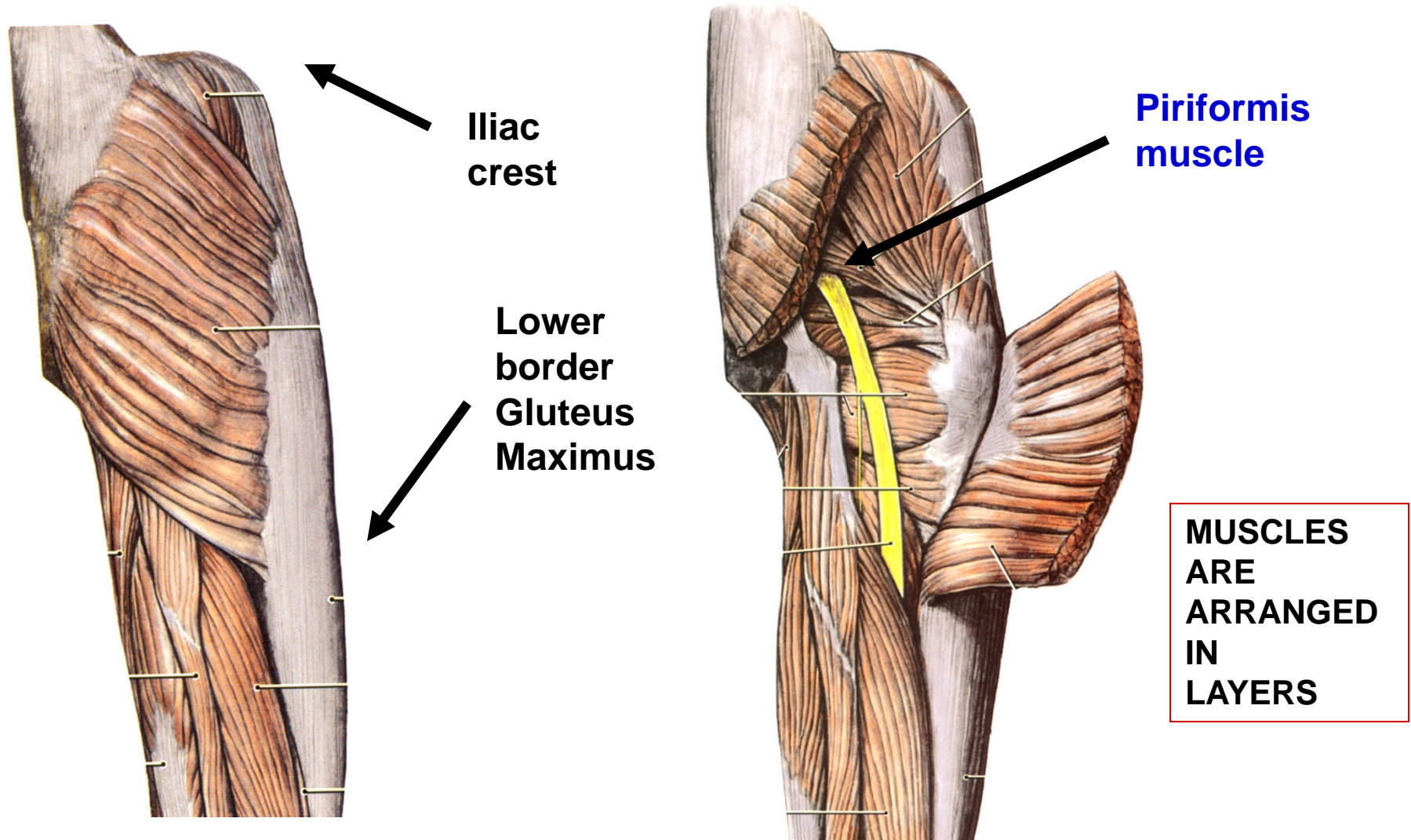
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**Note: muscles in Gluteal region can act to extend thigh (hip) and flex knee (leg)**

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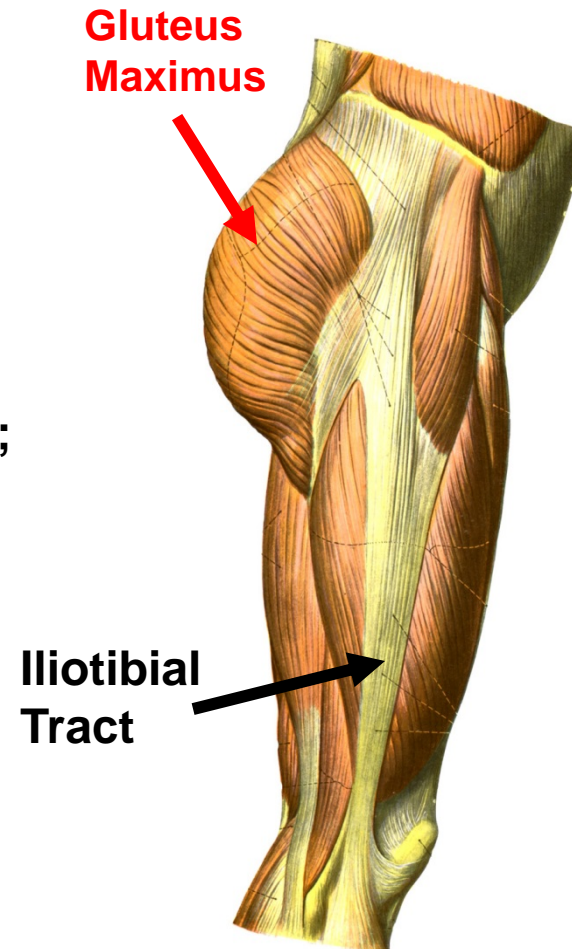


# A. GLUTEAL MUSCLES AND TENSOR FASCIA LATA

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1. **Gluteus Maximus** - largest extensor of thigh; used in running, climbing stairs, rising up from stooped position; **actions**: extend, lateral rotate hip joint; keeps leg extended via iliotibial tract; **Innervation** - Inferior Gluteal nerve

**Gluteus = Latin for buttock**



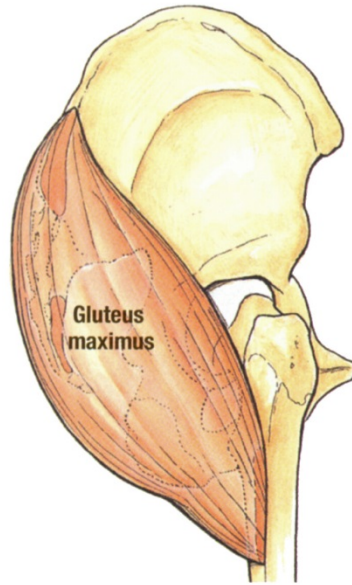
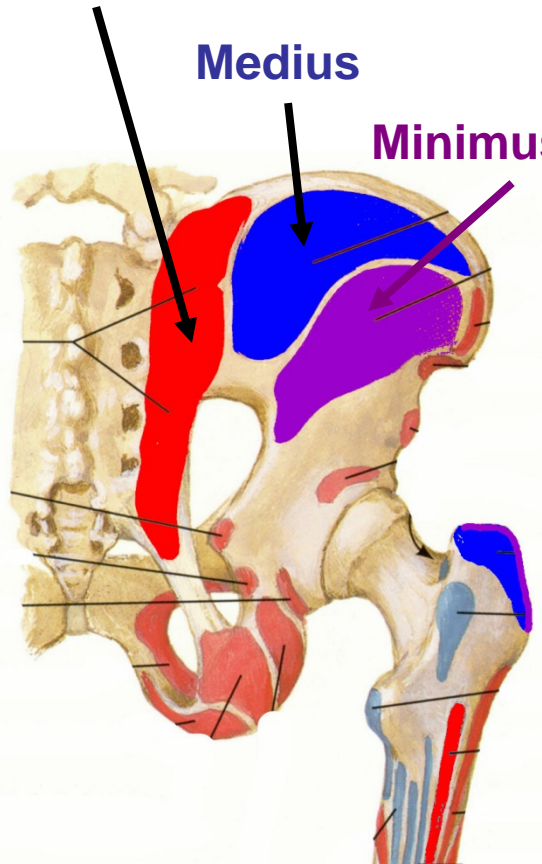


# GLUTEAL MUSCLES: ORIGINS

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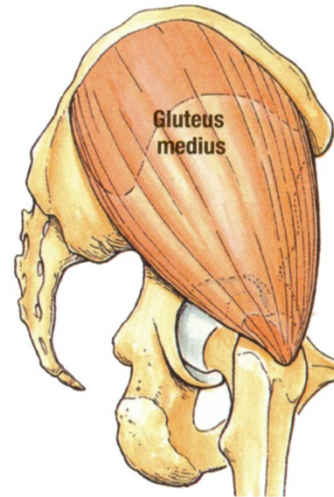
**Medius**

**Minimus**



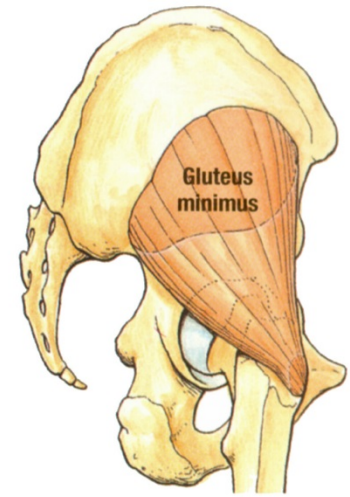
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Maximus**

**O - Ilium,  
sacrum,  
coccyx,  
sacrotuberous lig.**



**Gluteus  
Medius**

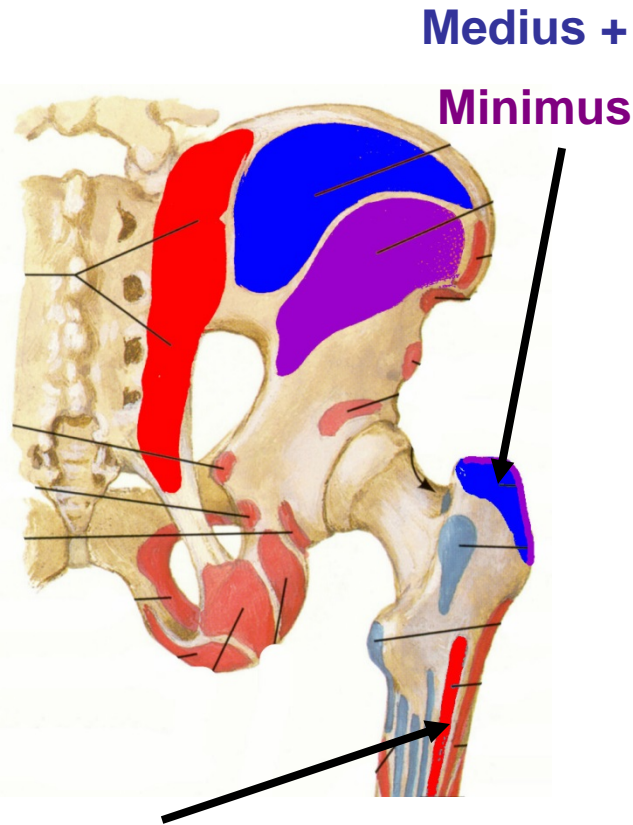
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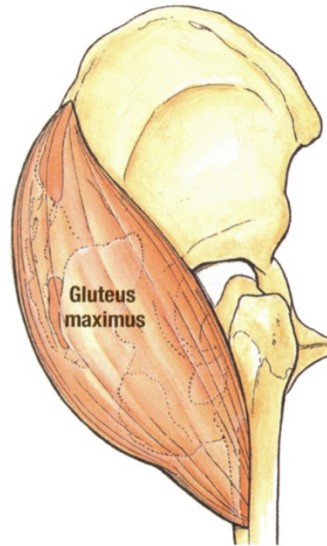
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# GLUTEAL MUSCLES: INSERTIONS, ACTIONS



**Maximus**

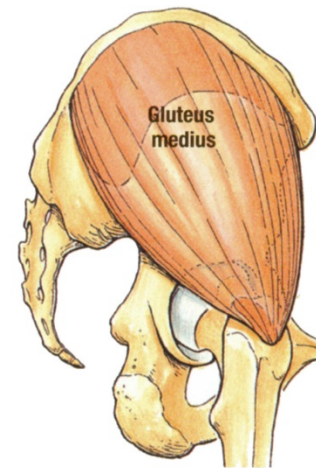
**Medius +  
Minimus**



**Gluteus  
Maximus**

**I - Femur,  
IT tract  
Act -  
Extend,  
Laterally  
rotate**

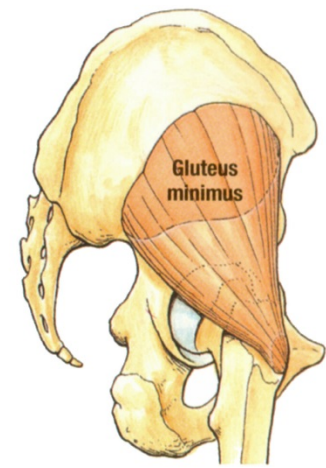
**Inn - Inferior  
Gluteal N.**



**Gluteus  
Medius**

**I - Femur  
(Greater  
Trochanter)  
Act -  
Abduct,  
Medially  
rotate**

**Inn both - Superior Gluteal N.**

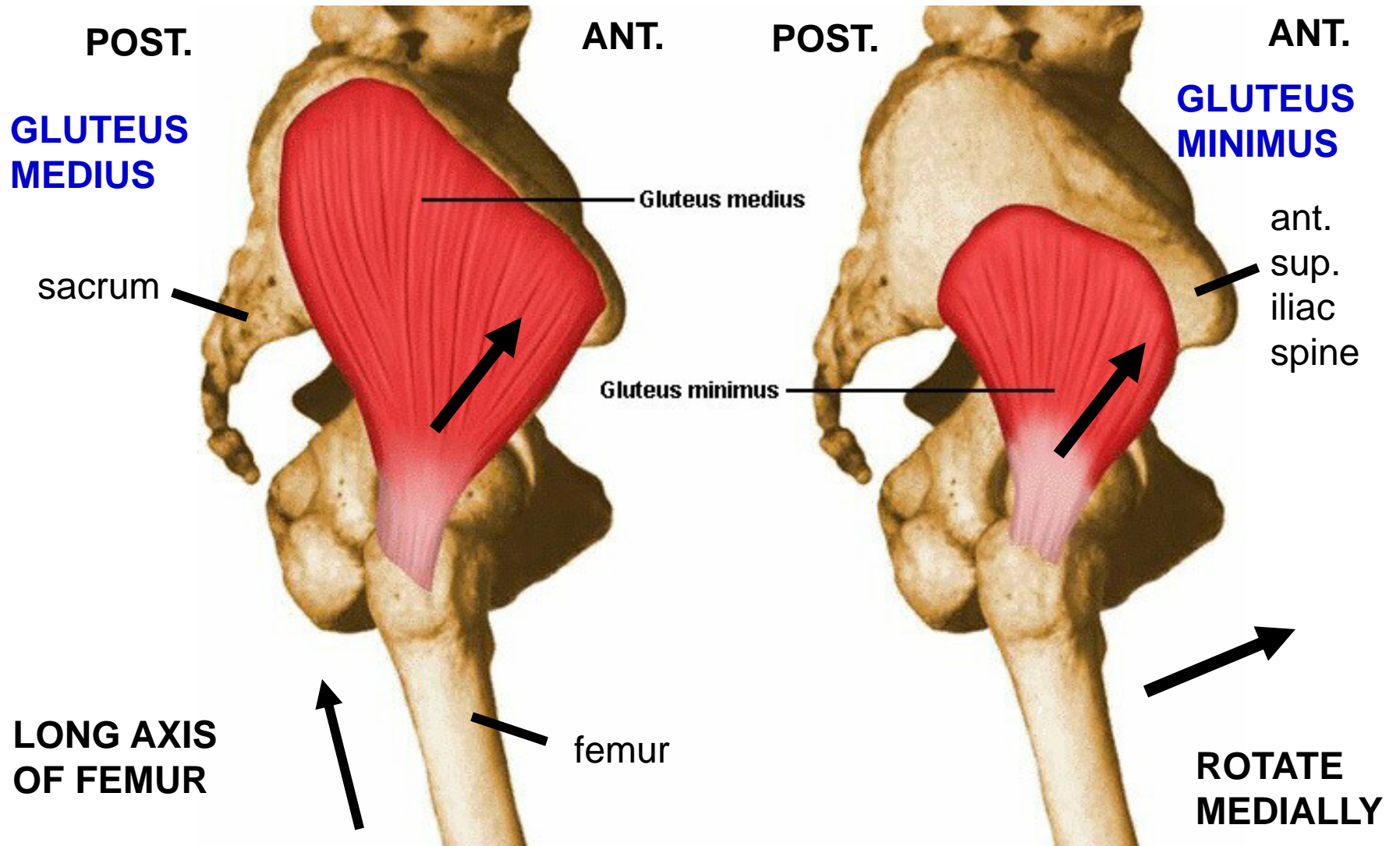


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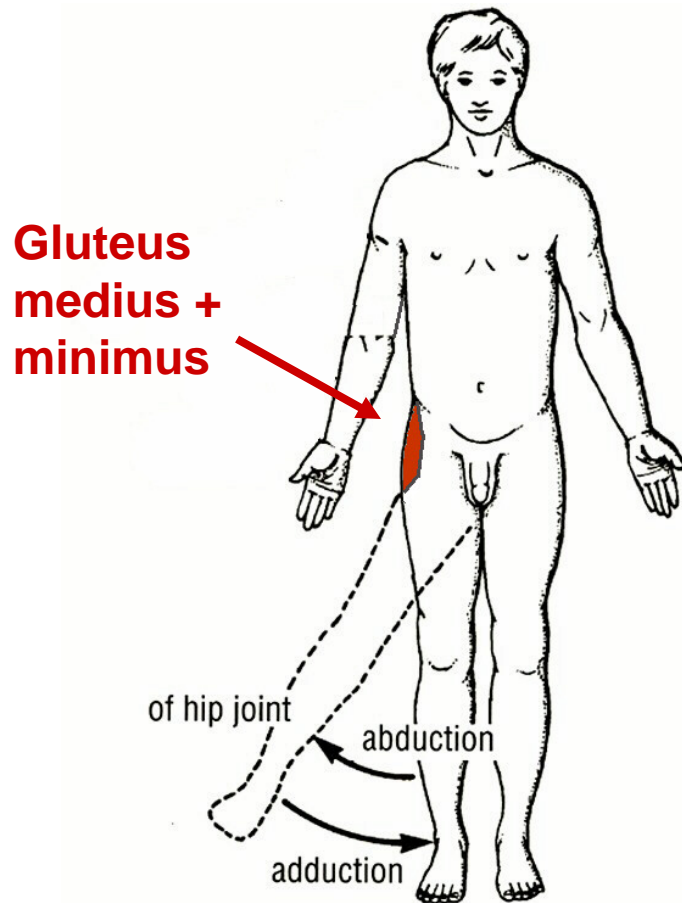


**WHY DO GLUTEUS MEDIUS AND MINIMUS MEDIALY ROTATE FEMUR?  
LOOK AT LATERAL VIEW OF HIP (SURGICAL APPROACH)**



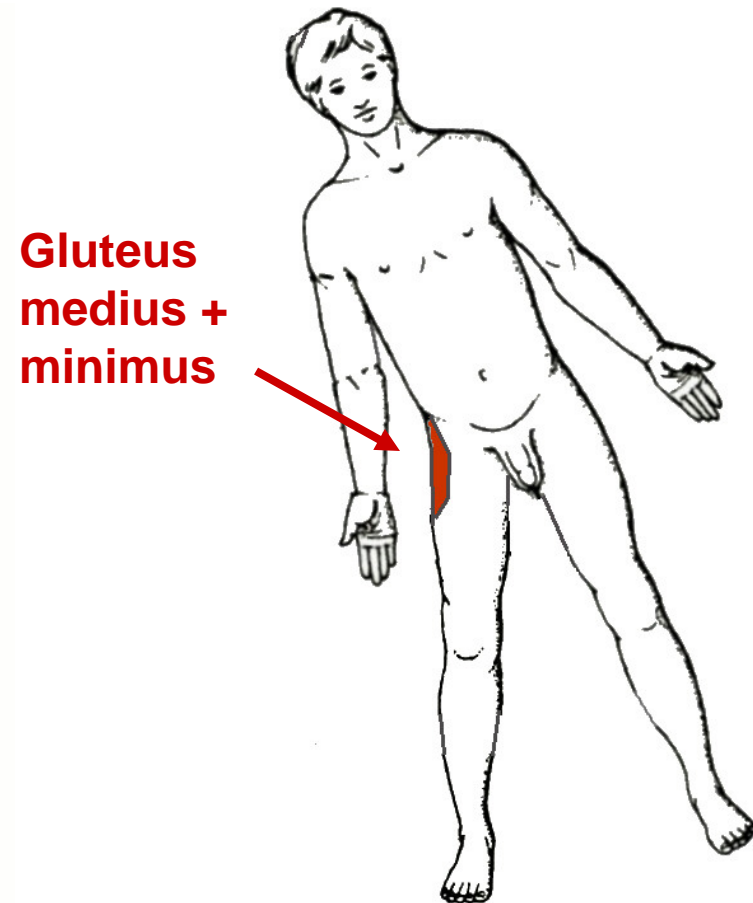
# GLUTEUS MEDIUS AND MINIMUS TILT BODY WHEN FOOT IS KEPT ON GROUND

FOOT LIFTED FROM GROUND



ABDUCT LOWER EXTREMITY

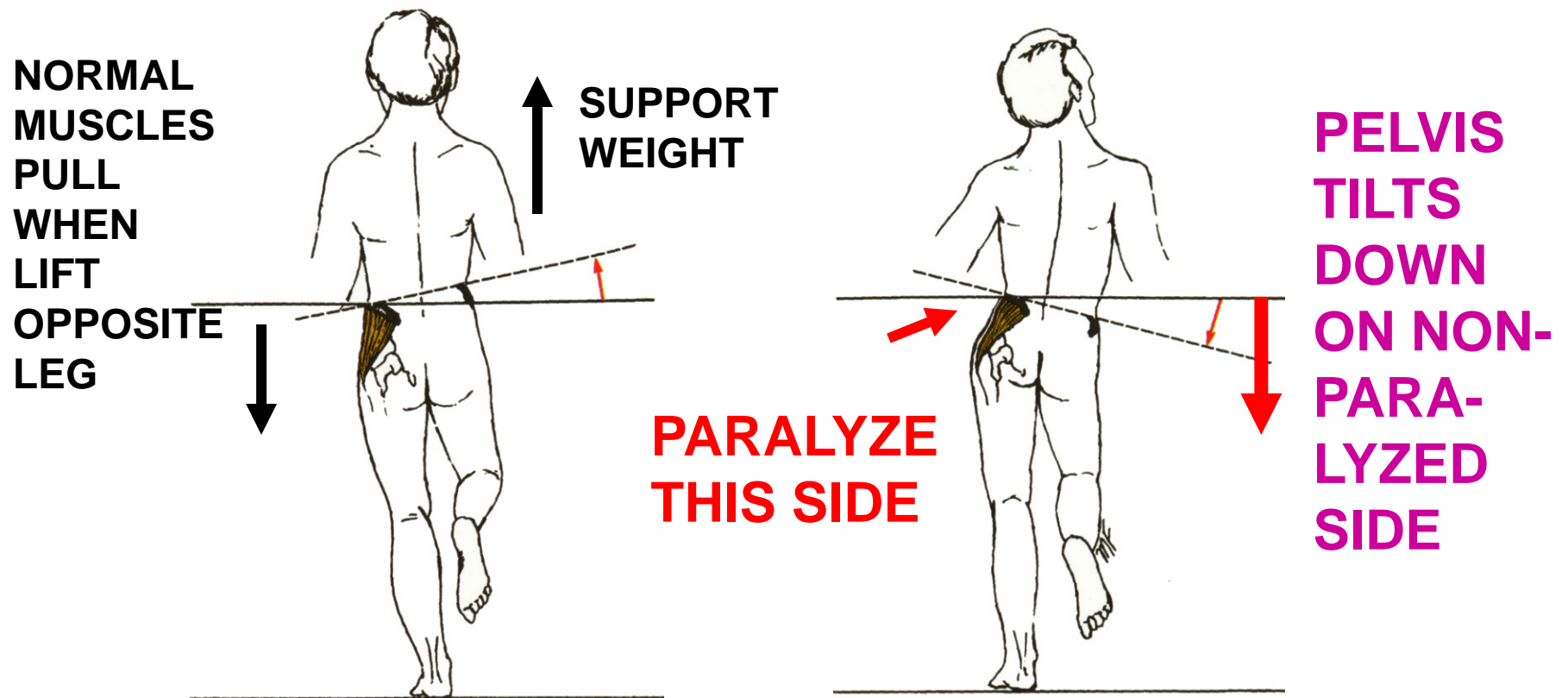
FOOT KEPT ON GROUND



TILT BODY TO SAME SIDE

# GLUTEAL GAIT

Gluteal Gait - caused by injury to Superior Gluteal nerve or poliomyelitis (also congenital dislocation of hip joint). Paralyze Gluteus Medius and Minimus. In walking, pelvis tilts down on non-paralyzed side when lift foot of opposite, non-paralyzed leg.



Positive Trendelenburg sign - WHEN LIFT OPPOSITE LEG, PELVIS TILTS DOWN ON (NON-PARALYZED) OPPOSITE SIDE.

# Trendelenburg Gait

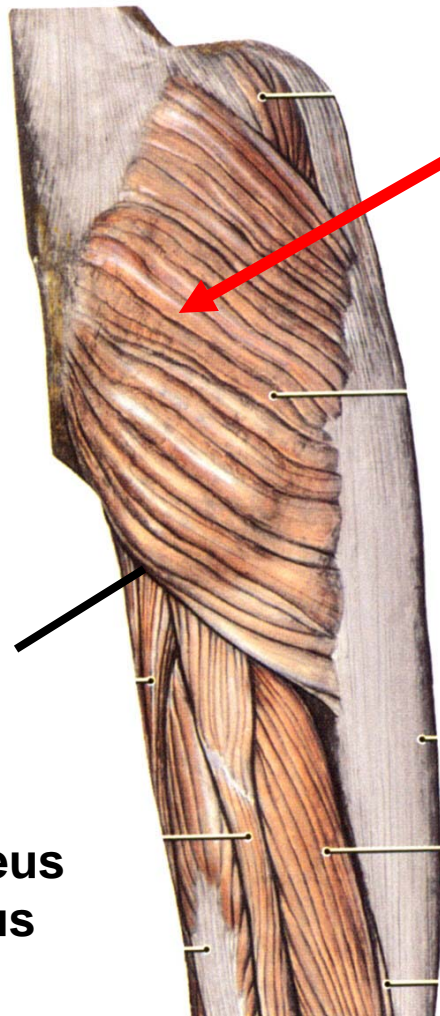


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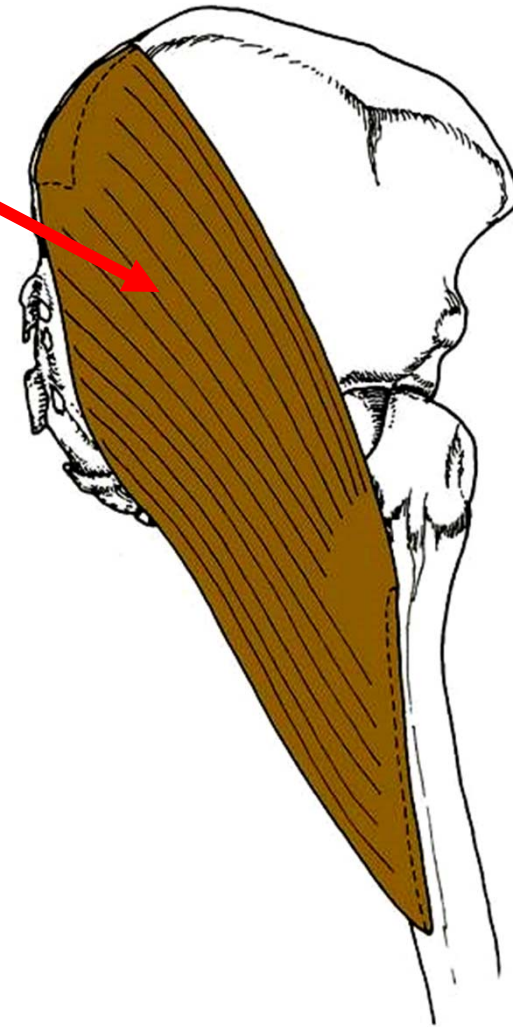


# DISSECTION GLUTEAL REGION FROM POSTERIOR SIDE

**Gluteus  
Maximus**



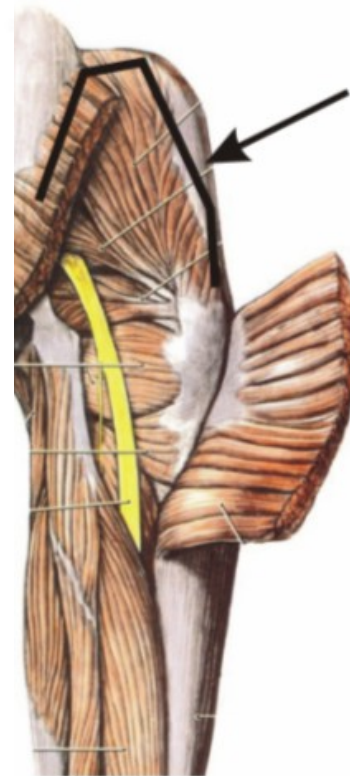
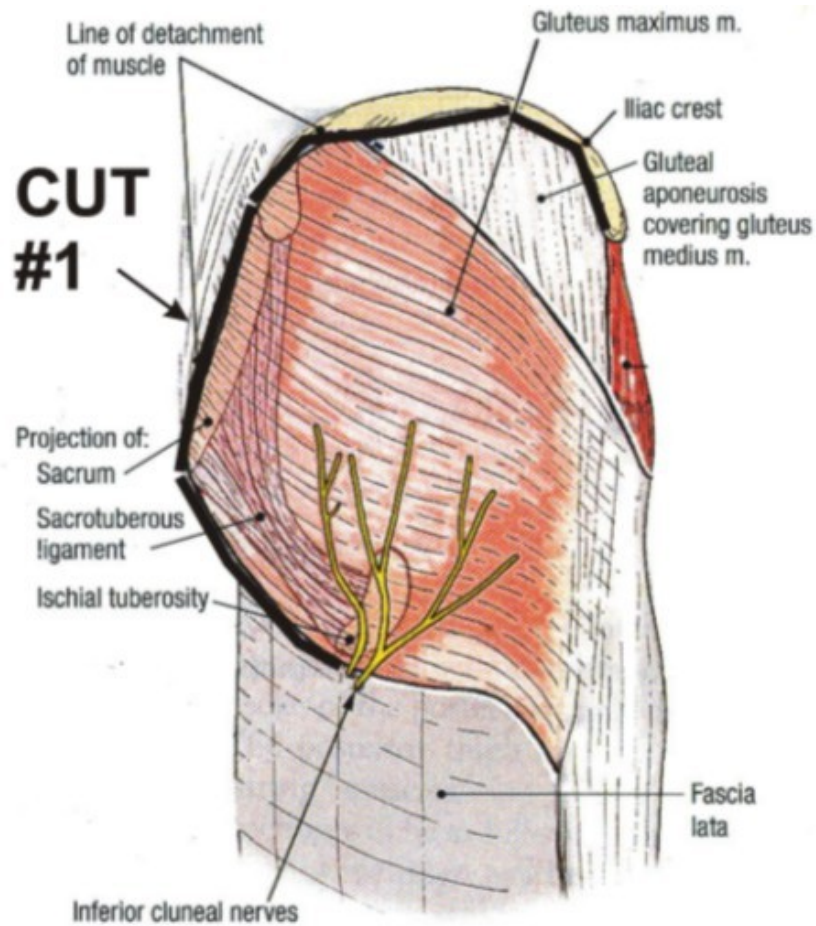
**POSTERIOR**



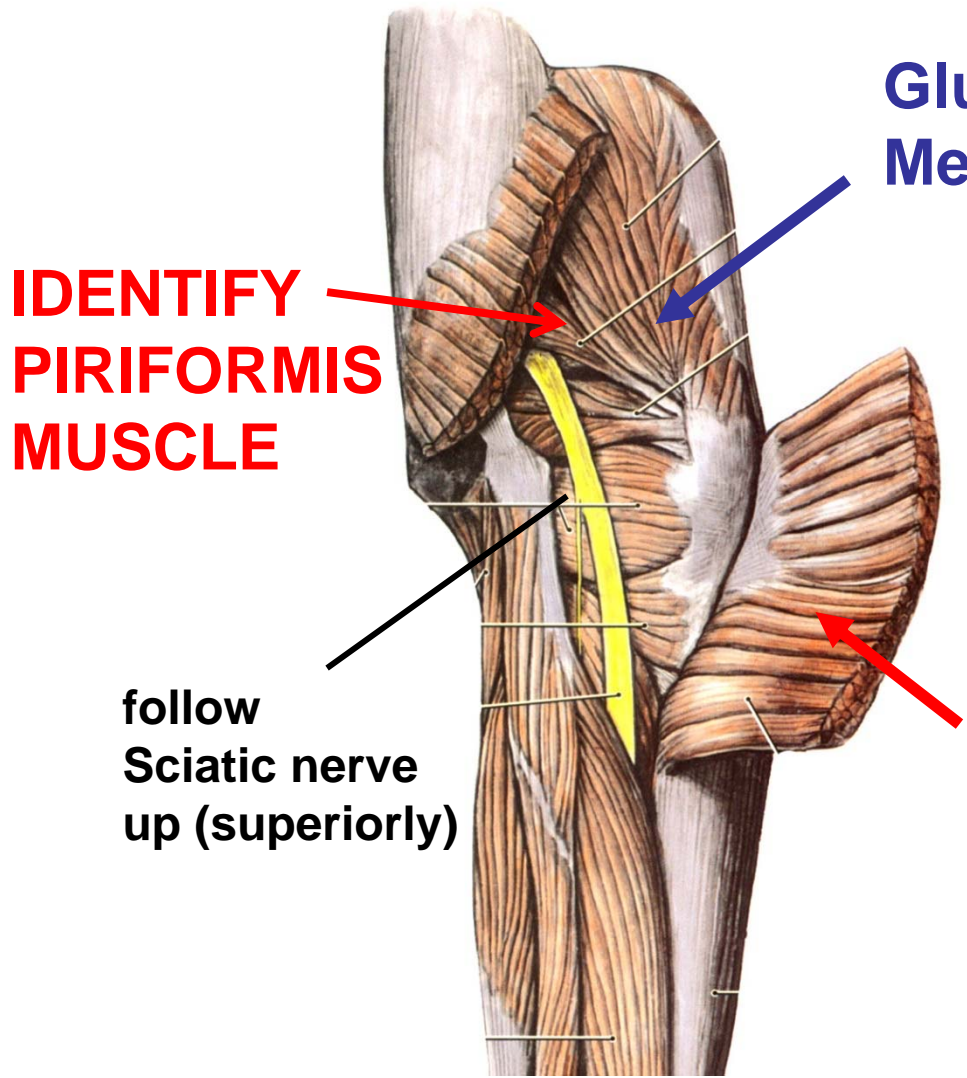
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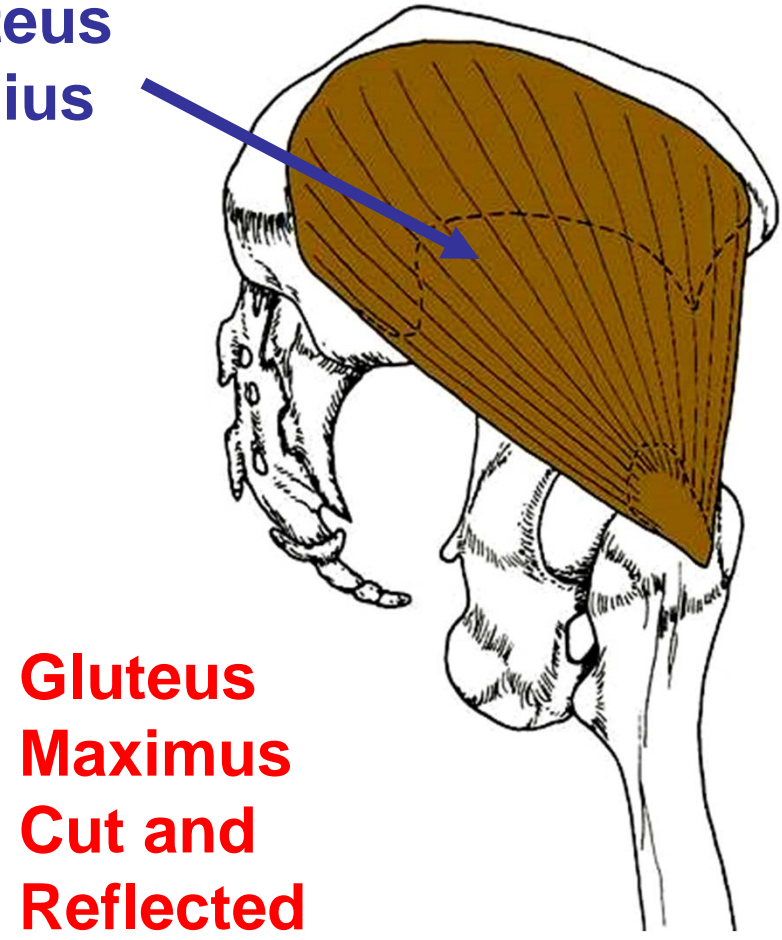
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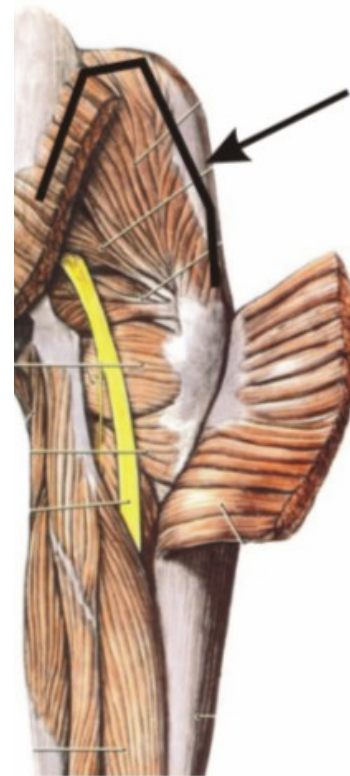
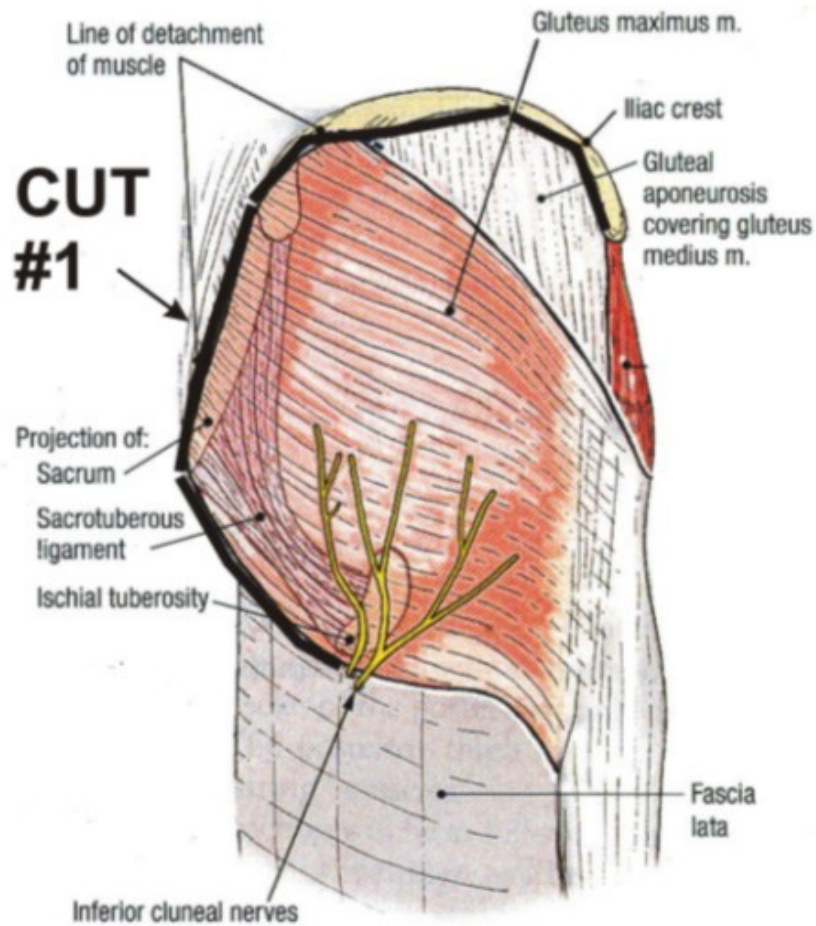
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**Gluteus Maximus Cut and Reflected**

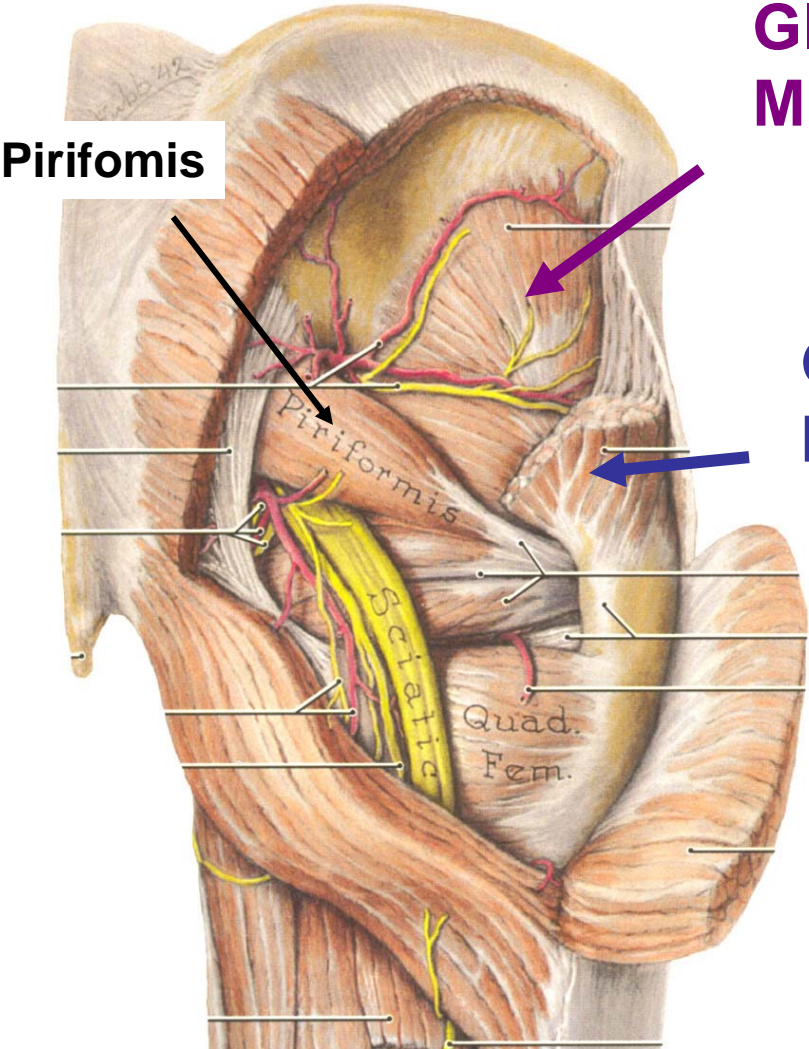
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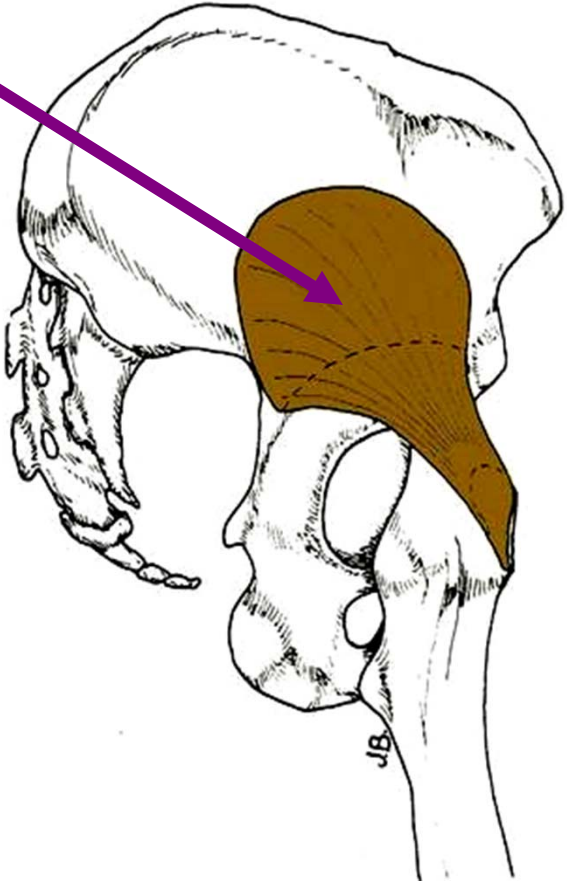
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**POSTERIOR**

**Gluteus Minimus**

**Gluteus Medius**



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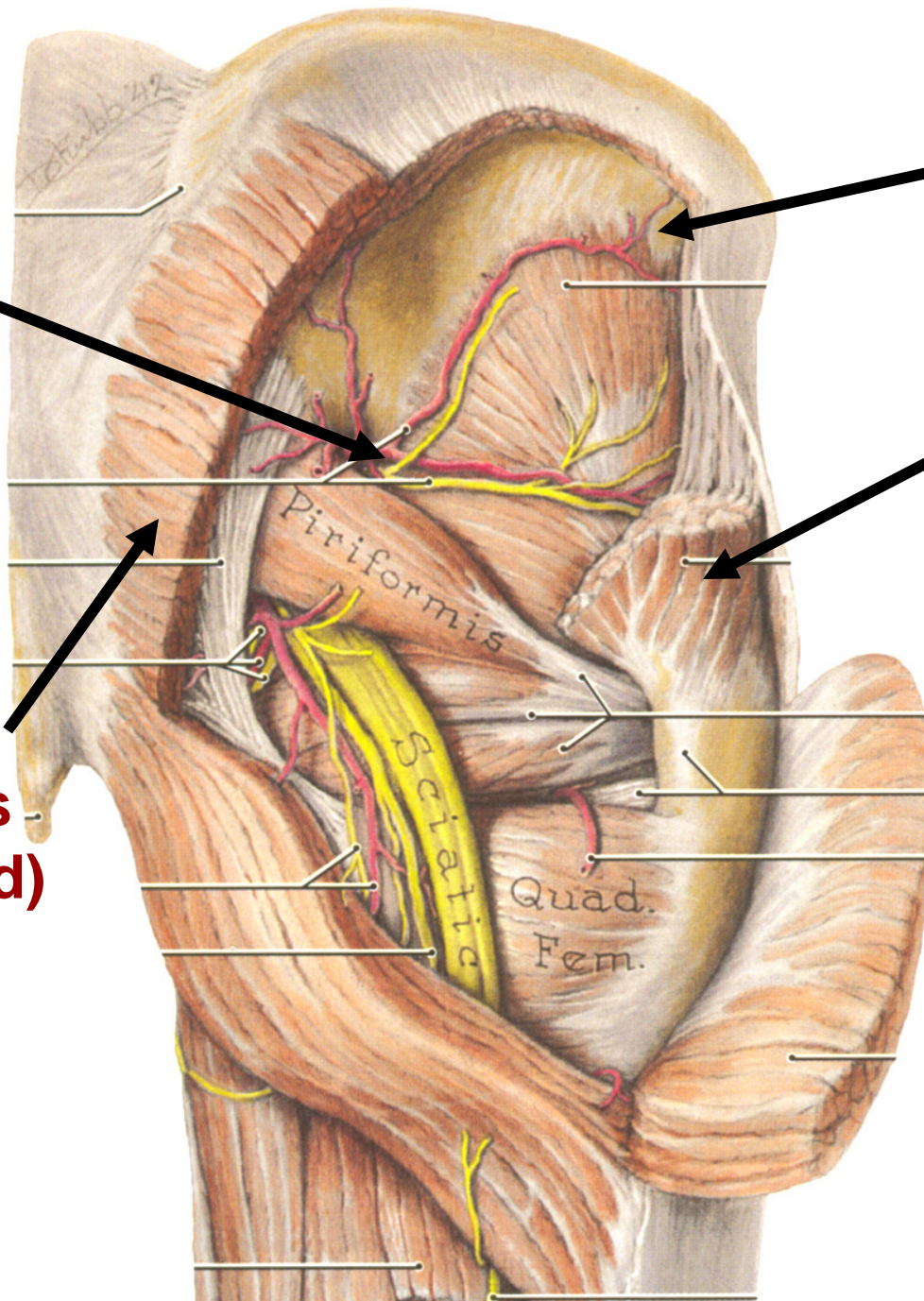
**Superior  
Gluteal  
Artery +  
Nerve**

**Gluteus  
Minimus**

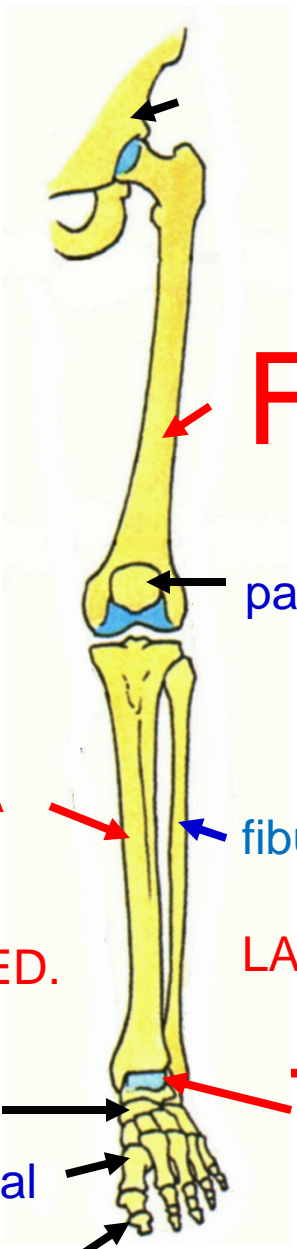
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by **Superior  
Gluteal nerves  
and vessels**  
(landmark on  
practical exam)

**Gluteus  
Maximus  
(reflected)**



**BODY  
WEIGHT**



**FEMUR**

**TIBIA**

patella

fibula

MED.

LAT.

**talus**

tarsal

metatarsal

phalanges

calcaneus  
first metatarsal



# HEAD'S UP: STUDYING FILE: TABLE OF MUSCLES

## TABLE OF MUSCLES OF LOWER EXTREMITY

### ANTERIOR THIGH

MUSCLE	ORIGIN	INSERTION	ACTION	NERVE
Iliopsoas	Ilium, vertebra (T12-L5)	Femur	Flex hip joint	Femoral nerve
Pectineus	Pubis	Femur	Flex hip joint	Femoral nerve
Sartorius	Ilium (Anterior superior iliac spine)	Tibia	Flex hip joint; Flex knee	Femoral nerve
Rectus femoris	Ilium (Anterior inferior iliac spine)	Patella	Flex hip joint, Extend knee	Femoral nerve
Vastus lateralis	Femur	Patella	Extend knee	Femoral nerve
Vastus medialis	Femur	Patella	Extend knee	Femoral nerve
Vastus intermedius	Femur	Patella	Extend knee	Femoral nerve

Note: Quadriceps inserts to Patella via Quadriceps tendon; Patella is linked to Tibia via Patellar Tendon.

### MEDIAL THIGH

MUSCLE	ORIGIN	INSERTION	ACTION	NERVE
Gracilis	Pubis	Tibia	1. Adduct hip joint 2. Flex knee	Obturator nerve
Adductor longus	Pubis	Femur (Linea aspera)	Adduct hip joint	Obturator nerve
Adductor brevis	Pubis	Femur (Linea aspera)	Adduct hip joint	Obturator nerve
Adductor magnus (adductor portion)	Pubis, Ischium	Femur (Linea aspera)	Adduct hip joint	Obturator nerve
Adductor magnus (hamstring portion)	Ischial tuberosity	Femur (Adductor tubercle)	Extend hip joint	Sciatic Nerve (Tibial part)
Obturator externus	Obturator membrane	Femur	Laterally rotate femur at hip joint	Obturator nerve

**- Need to know:  
Origin,  
Insertion,  
Action,  
Innervation  
according to  
Table**

**QUESTIONS ON  
BOTH PRACTICAL  
AND WRITTEN  
EXAMS**

## MUSCLE OF FOOT: TABLE OF INTRINSIC MUSCLES OF SOLE OF FOOT: PAGE 4

SOLE OF FOOT - FIRST LAYER

MUSCLE	ORIGIN	INSERTION	ACTION	NERVE
Abductor hallucis	Calcaneus	Proximal phalanx of big toe	Abduct and flex big toe	Medial plantar nerve
Abductor digiti minimi	Calcaneus	Proximal phalanx of little toe	Abduct and flex little toe	Lateral plantar nerve
Flexor digitorum brevis	Calcaneus	Middle phalanges of lateral four toes	Flex lateral four toes	Medial plantar nerve

SOLE OF FOOT - SECOND LAYER

MUSCLE	ORIGIN	INSERTION	ACTION	NERVE
Quadratus plantae	Calcaneus	Common tendon of flexor digitorum longus	Assist in flexing lateral four toes	Lateral plantar nerve
Lumbricals	Tendons of flexor digitorum longus	1. Proximal phalanges of lateral four toes 2. Extensor expansions	1. Flex toes at metatarsophalangeal joint 2. Extend toes at interphalangeal joints	Lumbrical 1: Medial plantar nerve Lumbricals 2-4: Lateral plantar nerve

SOLE OF FOOT - THIRD LAYER

MUSCLE	ORIGIN	INSERTION	ACTION	NERVE
Flexor hallucis brevis	Cuboid and lateral cuneiform bones	Proximal phalanx of big toe	Flex big toe	Medial plantar nerve
Flexor digiti minimi brevis	Fifth Metatarsal	Proximal phalanx of little toe	Flex little toe	Lateral plantar nerve
Adductor hallucis	1. Oblique head: Metatarsal bones 2. Transverse head: plantar ligaments of metatarsophalangeal joints	Proximal phalanx of big toe	Adduct and flex big toe	Lateral plantar nerve

SOLE OF FOOT - FOURTH LAYER

MUSCLE	ORIGIN	INSERTION	ACTION	NERVE
Plantar Interossei	Metatarsals 2,3,5	Proximal	Adduct toes and flex	Lateral Plantar

**NOTE: INTRINSIC MUSCLES OF FOOT FOR LOWER EXTREMITY EXAM**

**KNOW:**

**- IDENTIFY MUSCLES OF FOOT**

**- ACTIONS OF MUSCLES**  
**- INNERVATION OF MUSCLES**

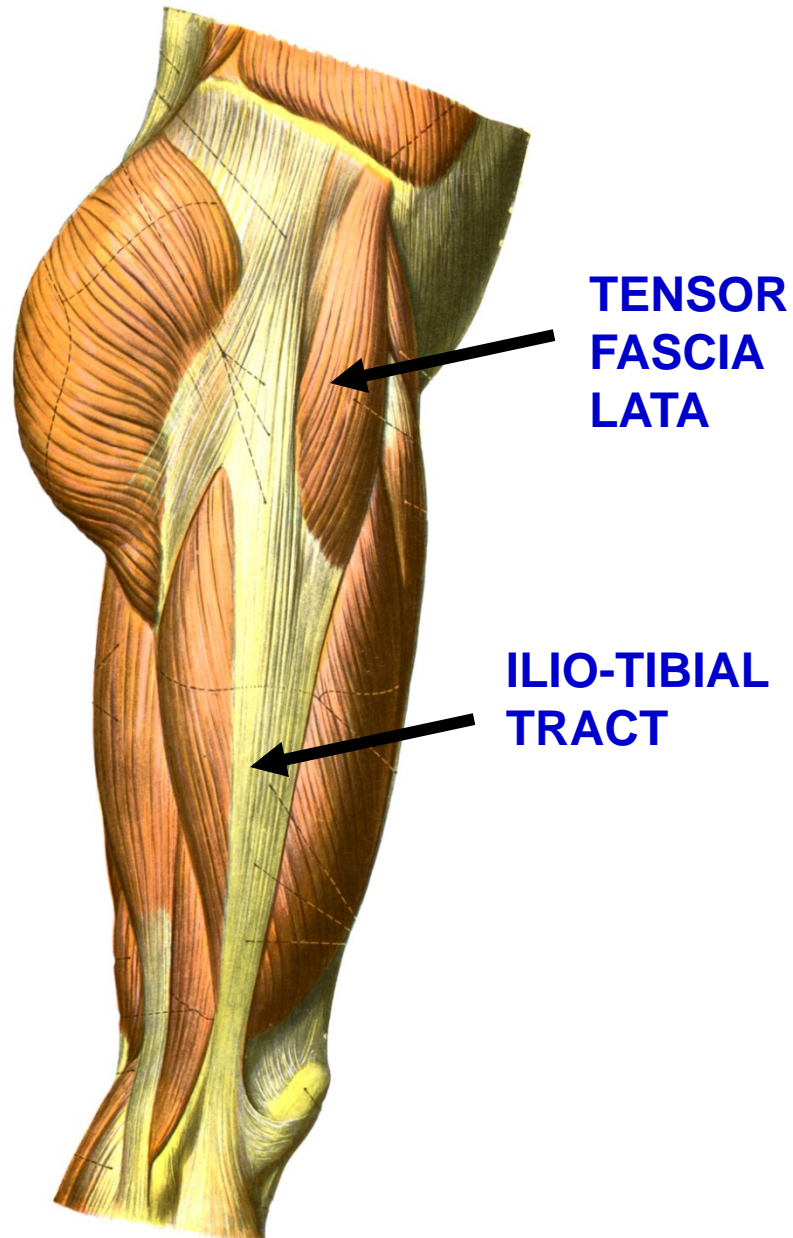
**FOR INTRINSIC MUSCLES OF FOOT ONLY:**

**DO NOT NEED TO KNOW ORIGINS AND INSERTIONS**

**ALL OTHER MUSCLES NEED TO KNOW ORIGINS, INSERTIONS, ACTIONS, INNERVATION**

## TENSOR FASCIA LATA

**3. Tensor Fascia Lata** -  
O - Ant. Sup. Iliac spine  
**I - Iliotibial tract**; Act - Abducts HIP and maintains extension of leg  
Inn - Superior Gluteal nerve.



**LOOK FOR MUSCLE ATTACHED TO FASCIA OF IT TRACT**

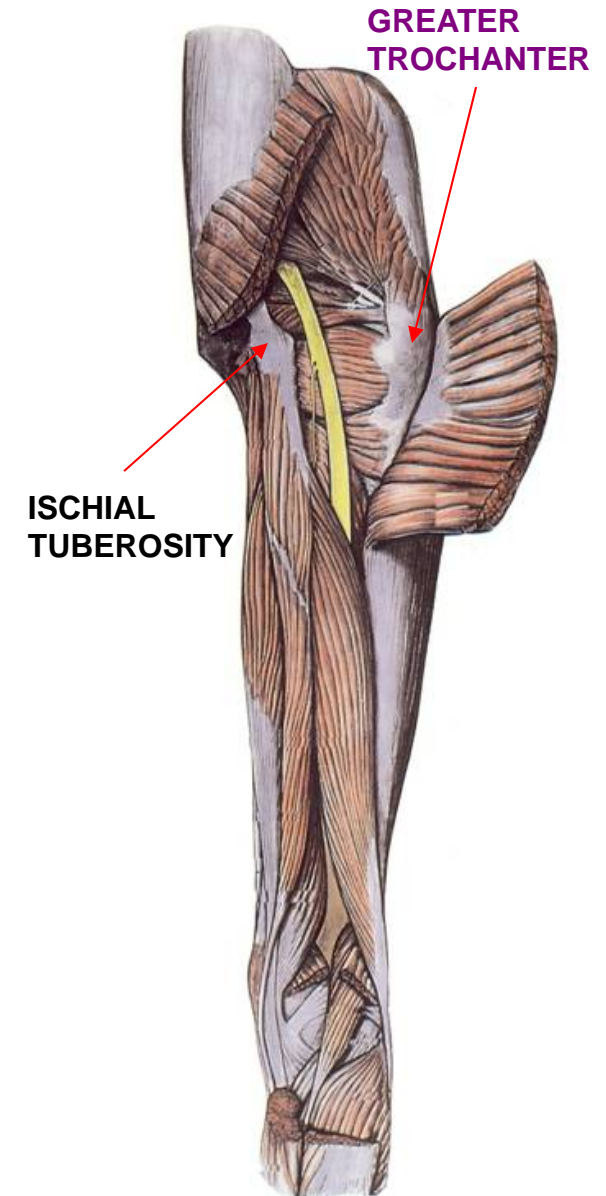
## B. BURSAE

**BURSAE** - bags of fluid surrounded by connective tissue

Function as shock absorbers, reduce friction of movement of muscle tendons against bones or other tendons

Bursae are found adjacent to **Ischial Tuberosity** and **Greater Trochanter**

**BURSA AT ELBOW JOINT**

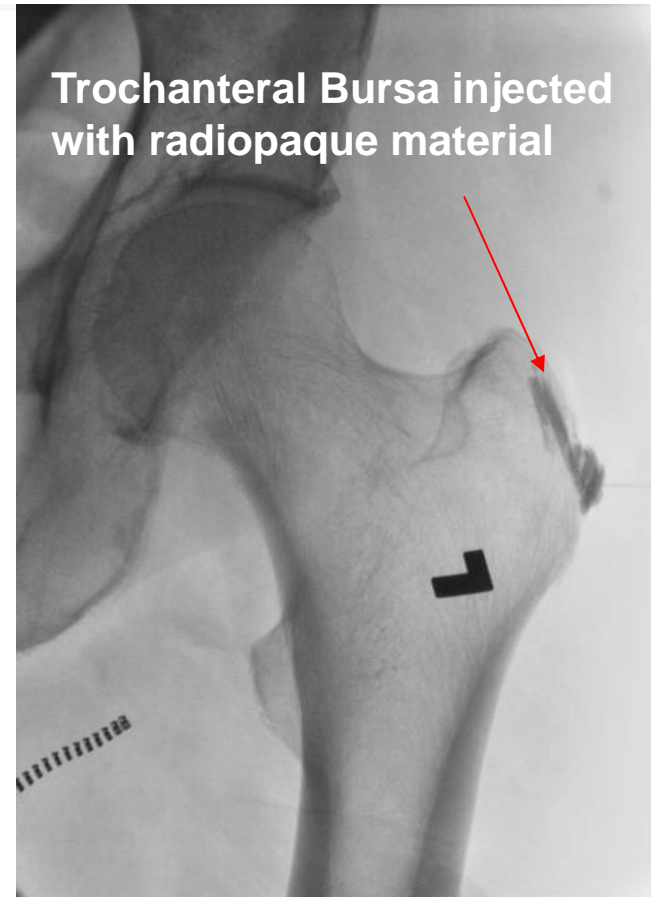
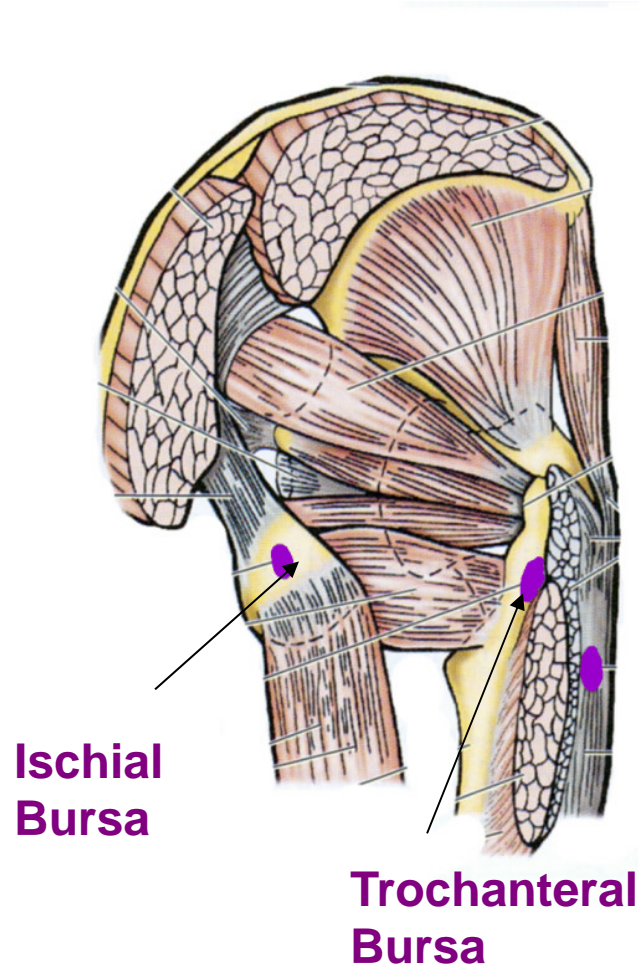




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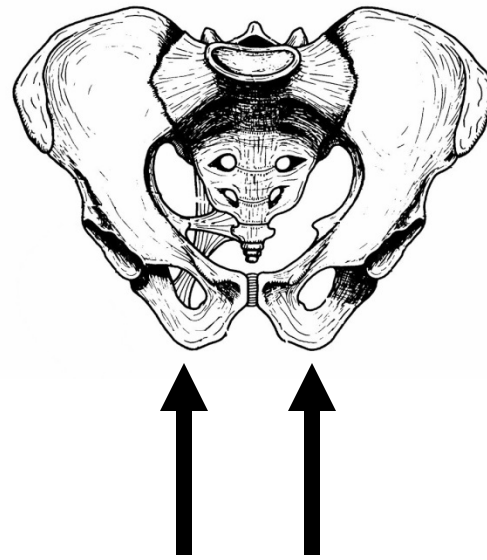




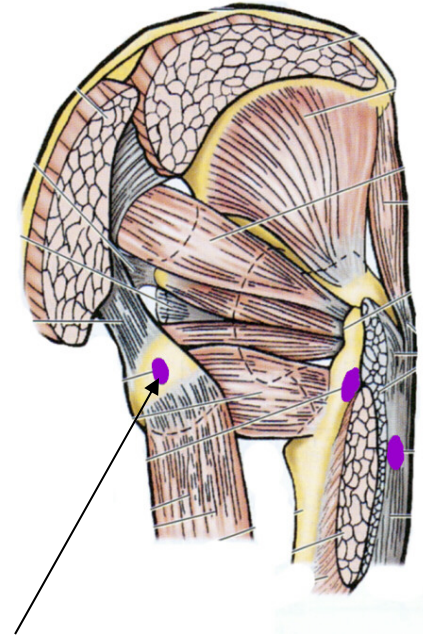
## ISCHIAL BURSITIS CALLED WEAVER'S BOTTOM



Weaver on Treadle



Sit on Ischial Tuberosities



Movement Inflames Ischial Bursa

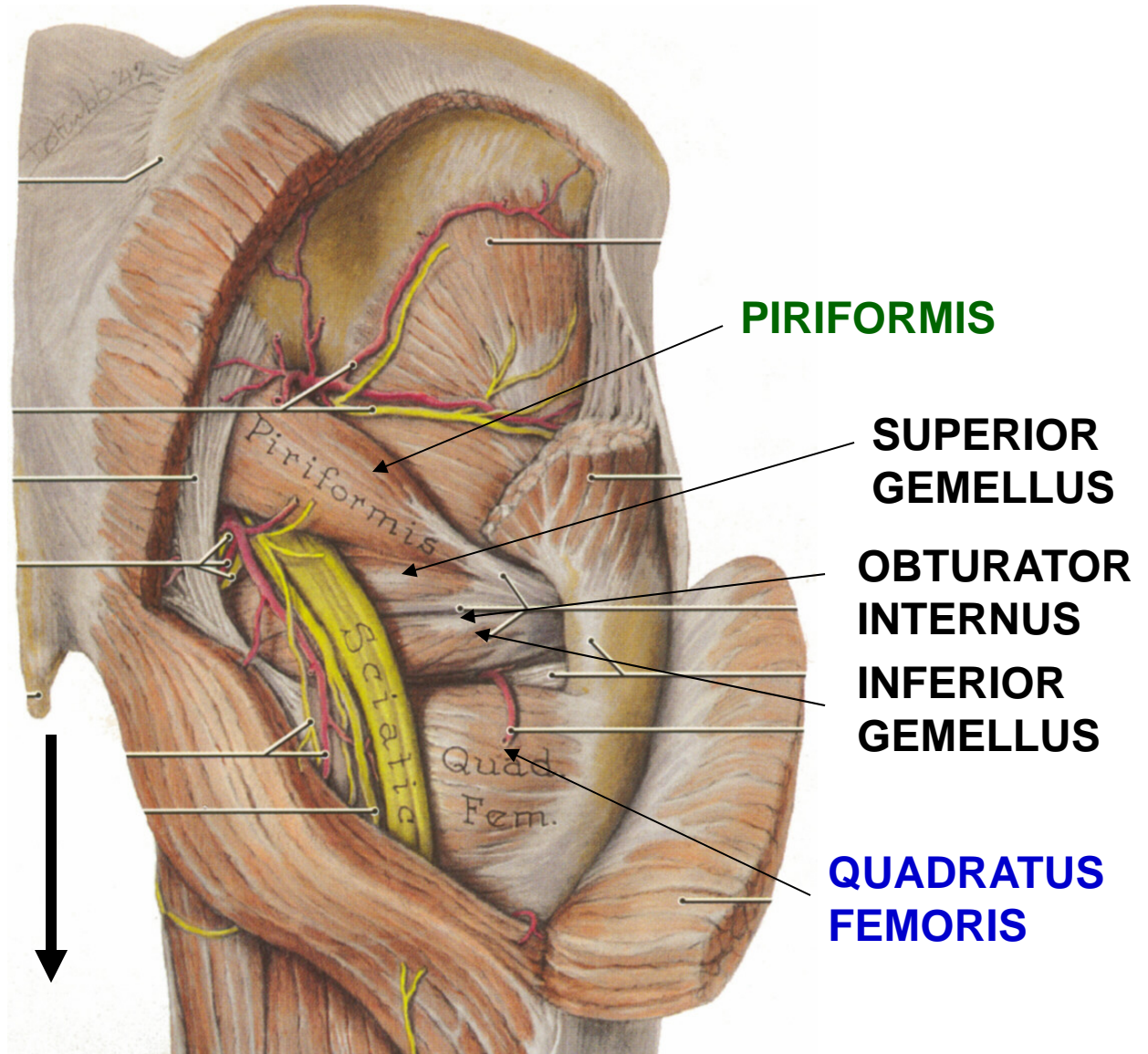
**Note: Weaver's Bottom - Inflammation of Ischial Bursae; when sitting, weight of body rests on Ischial tuberosities (Gluteus maximus covers Ischial tuberosities when standing, but not when sitting); Ischial bursae may become inflamed due to excess friction (Weavers used legs to power treadles by repeated leg extension, causing inflammation of Ischial bursae); may also become inflamed in paraplegics (wheelchairs).**

## PIRIFORMIS AND MUSCLES BELOW PIRIFORMIS

### C. PIRIFORMIS AND MUSCLES BELOW PIRIFORMIS -

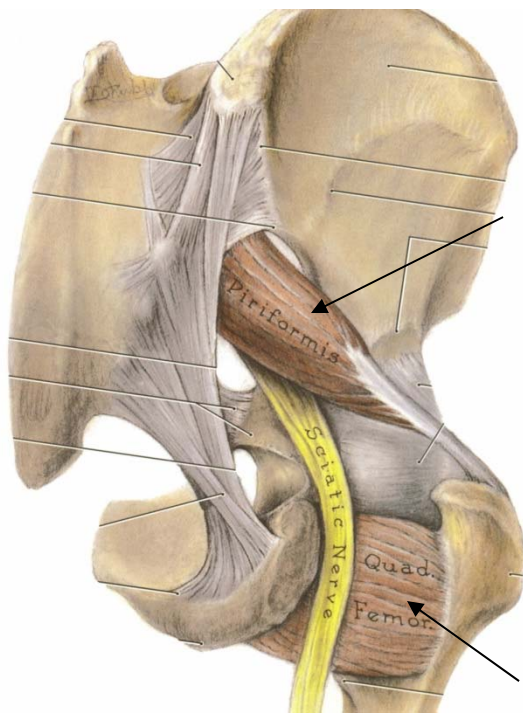
Piriformis (=pear shaped), Quadratus femoris, Obturator Internus, Gemellus superior, Gemellus inferior (from L. Gemini, twin; **pronounce Je-mel'-us**)

**LEARN SEQUENCE**



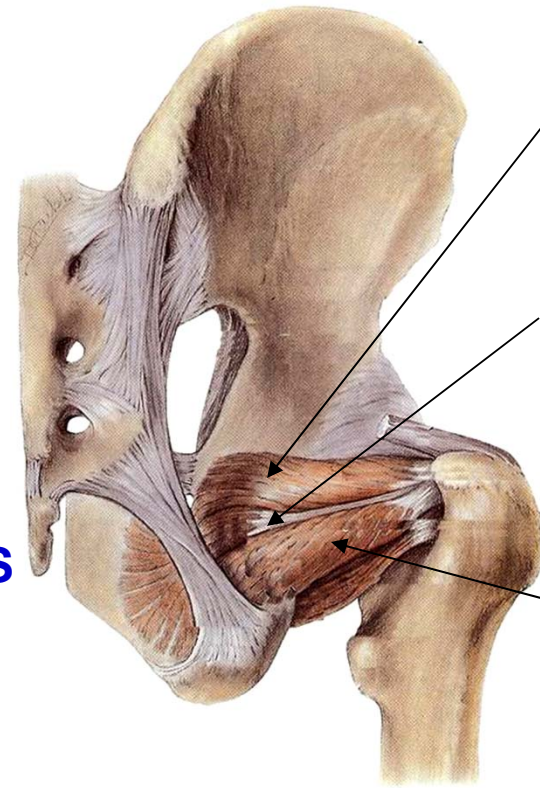


## PIRIFORMIS AND MUSCLES BELOW PIRIFORMIS



**PIRIFORMIS**  
O - Sacrum

**QUADRATUS FEMORIS**  
O - Ischial Tuberosity

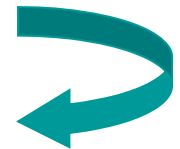


**SUPERIOR GEMELLUS**  
O - Ischial spine

**OBTURATOR INTERNUS**  
O - Obturator membrane

**INFERIOR GEMELLUS**  
O - Ischial Tuberosity

laterally rotate femur



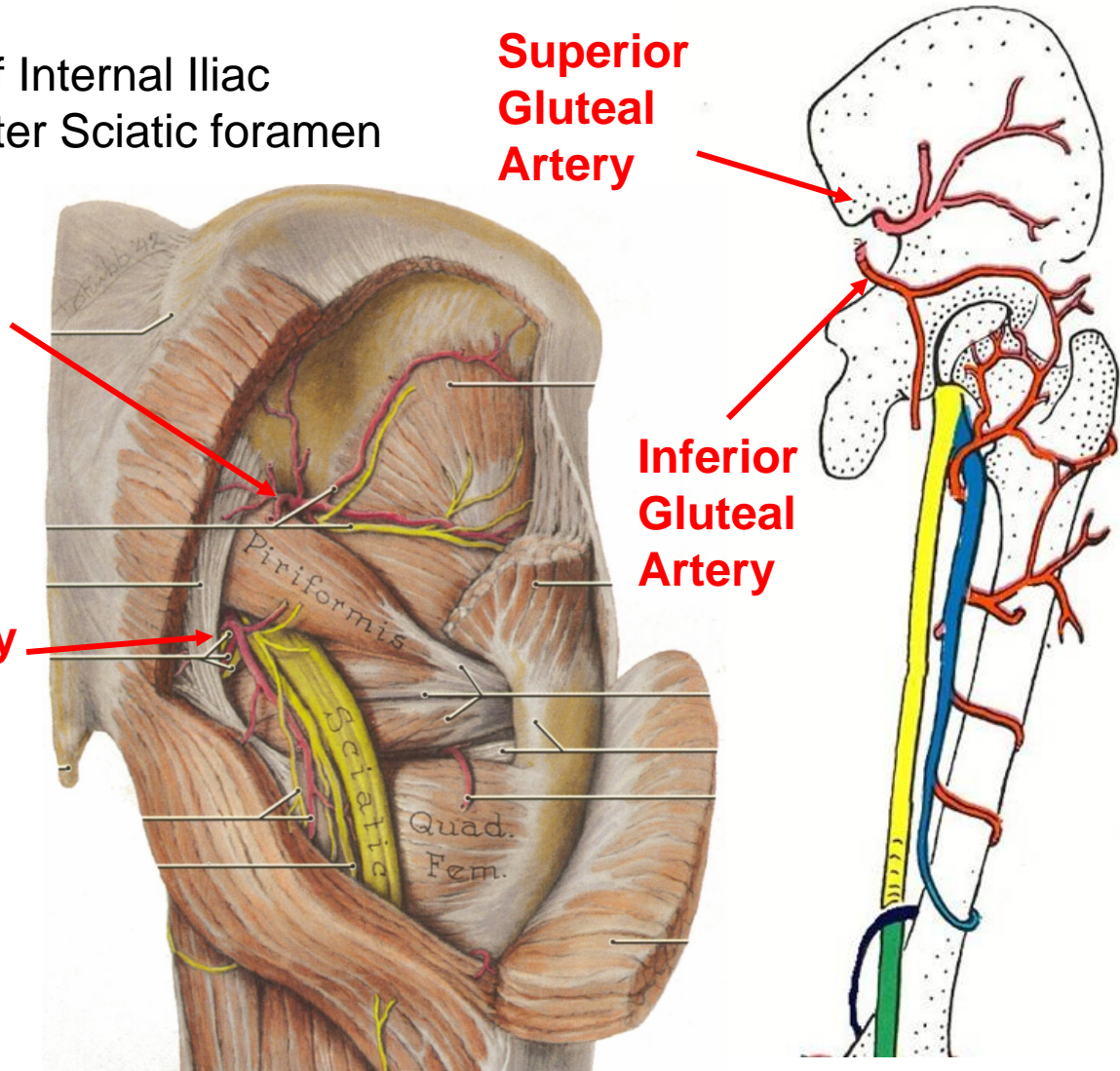
**MOST INSERT - GREATER TROCHANTER**  
**ACT - LATERALLY ROTATE FEMUR; ALSO ACT LIKE ROTATOR CUFF AND HOLD HEAD OF FEMUR IN ACETABULUM**  
**INNERVATION - BRANCHES NAMED FOR MUSCLES**

### III. ARTERIES AND NERVES .

- Arteries are branches of Internal Iliac
- all leave pelvis by Greater Sciatic foramen

1. **Superior Gluteal Artery** - above Piriformis; courses between Gluteus Medius and Gluteus Minimus.

2. **Inferior Gluteal Artery** - below Piriformis; branches joint Cruciate anastomosis at hip joint.



## NERVES

B. NERVES- from  
Lumbosacral plexus

1. **Superior Gluteal Nerve** - innervates  
Gluteus Medius and  
Minimus, Tensor fascia  
lata.

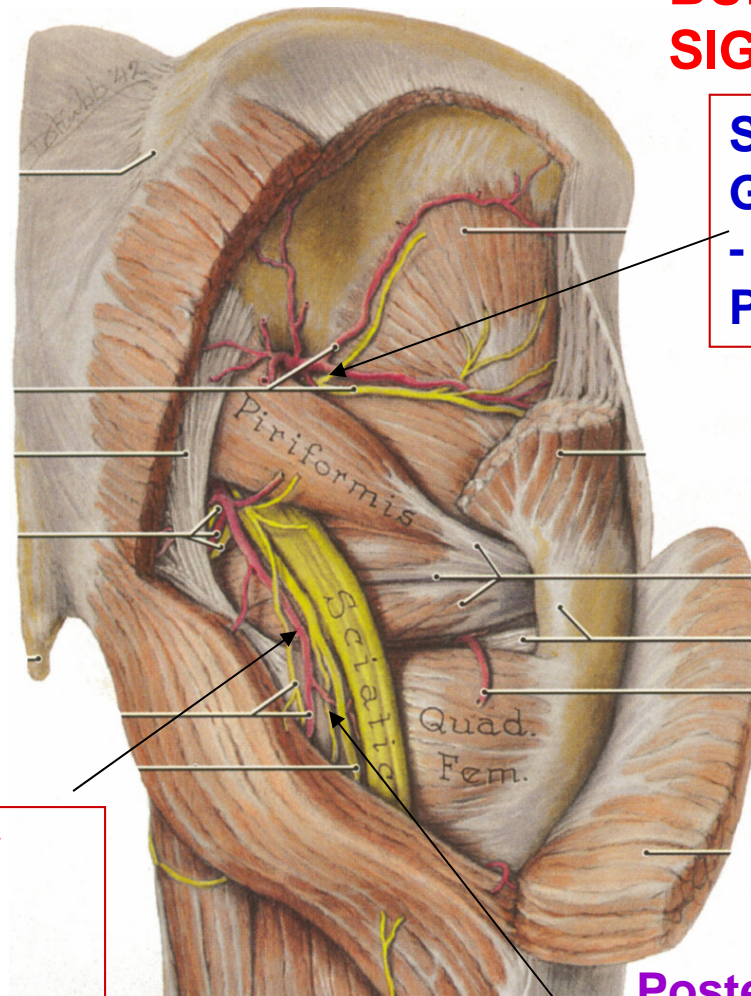
2. **Inferior Gluteal Nerve** - innervates  
Gluteus Maximus.

3. **Posterior  
Cutaneous nerve of  
thigh** - large sensory  
nerve to posterior  
thigh and gluteal  
region, medial to  
Sciatic nerve

**DAMAGE -  
TRENDELEN-  
BURG  
SIGN**

**Superior  
Gluteal Nerve  
- above  
Piriformis**

**Inferior  
Gluteal  
Nerve -  
below  
Piriformis**

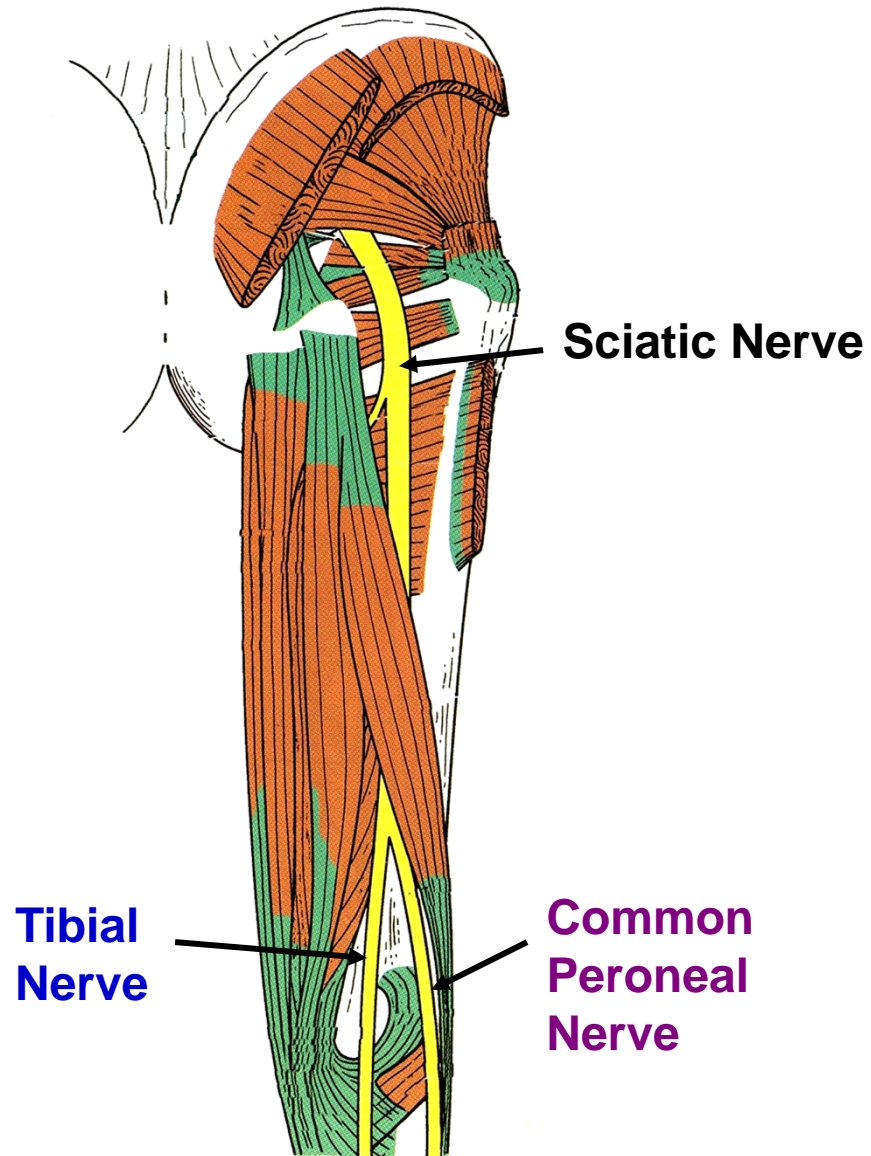


**Posterior  
Cutaneous  
nerve of thigh**



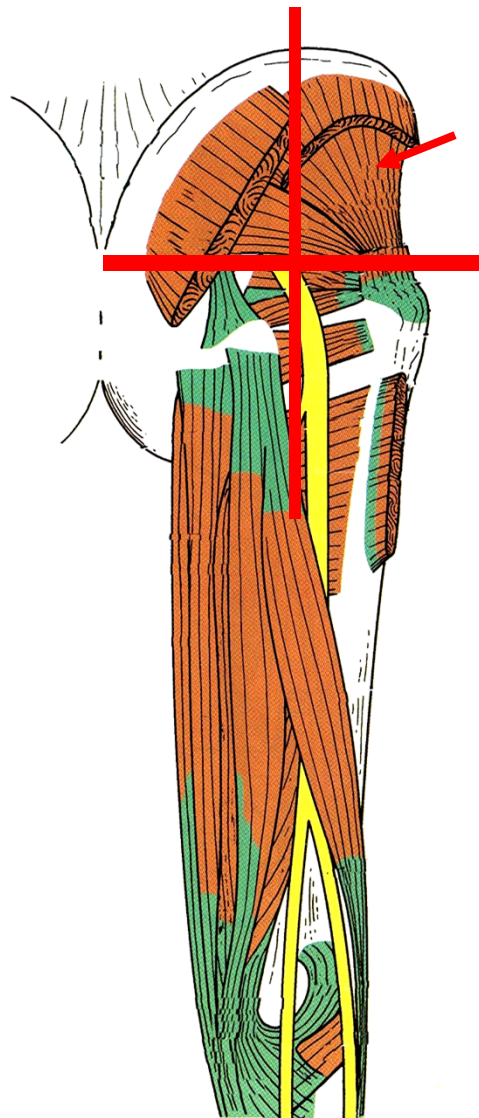
## SCIATIC NERVE

5. **Sciatic Nerve** - largest nerve in body (from L45,S123); composed of Tibial and Peroneal parts; ends as **Tibial Nerve** and **Common Peroneal Nerve**; courses first deep to Gluteus maximus, found halfway between ischial tuberosity and greater trochanter; can be **damaged in posterior dislocation of hip joint**.

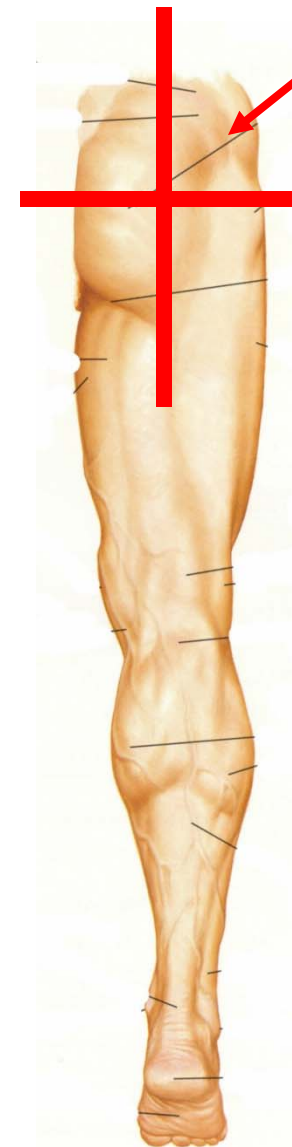


## INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION IN GLUTEAL REGION - GIVE IN UPPER LATERAL QUADRANT TO AVOID SCIATIC NERVE

**Clinical Note:**  
Intramuscular  
Injection in  
Gluteal Region -  
need to **avoid**  
**damage to**  
**Sciatic nerve**;  
injection given in  
**Upper Lateral**  
**Quadrant of**  
**Gluteal region.**



INJECT IN  
UPPER  
LATERAL  
QUADRANT



INJECT IN  
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QUADRANT

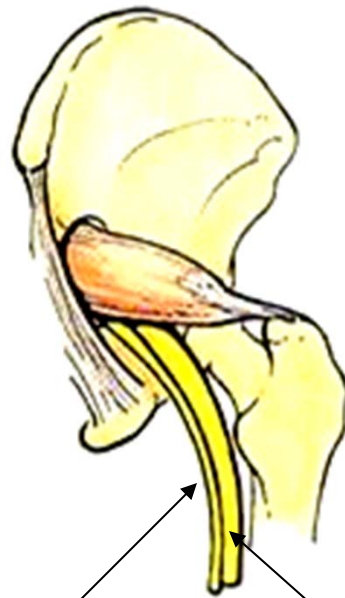
## EARLY BRANCHING OF SCIATIC NERVE

### Clinical Note:

#### Early branching of Sciatic Nerve -

Tibial and Peroneal parts normally branch in distal thigh but can branch early; Sciatic nerve looks like two nerves; **branches can sometimes be through Piriformis and get compressed**

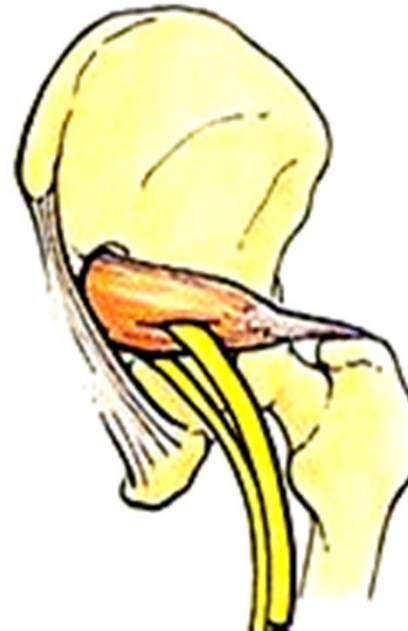
#### BRANCHING HIGH



TIBIAL

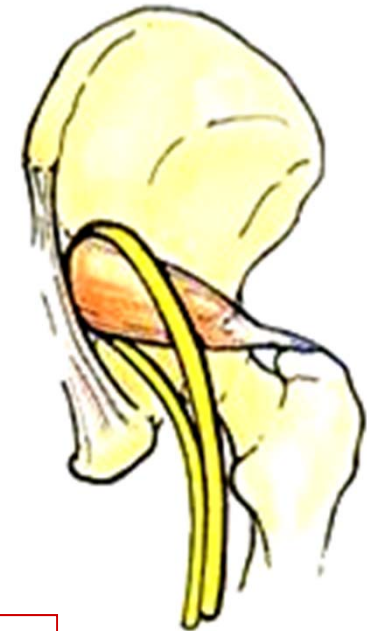
PERONEAL

#### DIVIDE IN PIRIFORMIS (~12%)



**Piriformis syndrome**

#### PERONEAL ABOVE PIRIFORMIS (~1%)

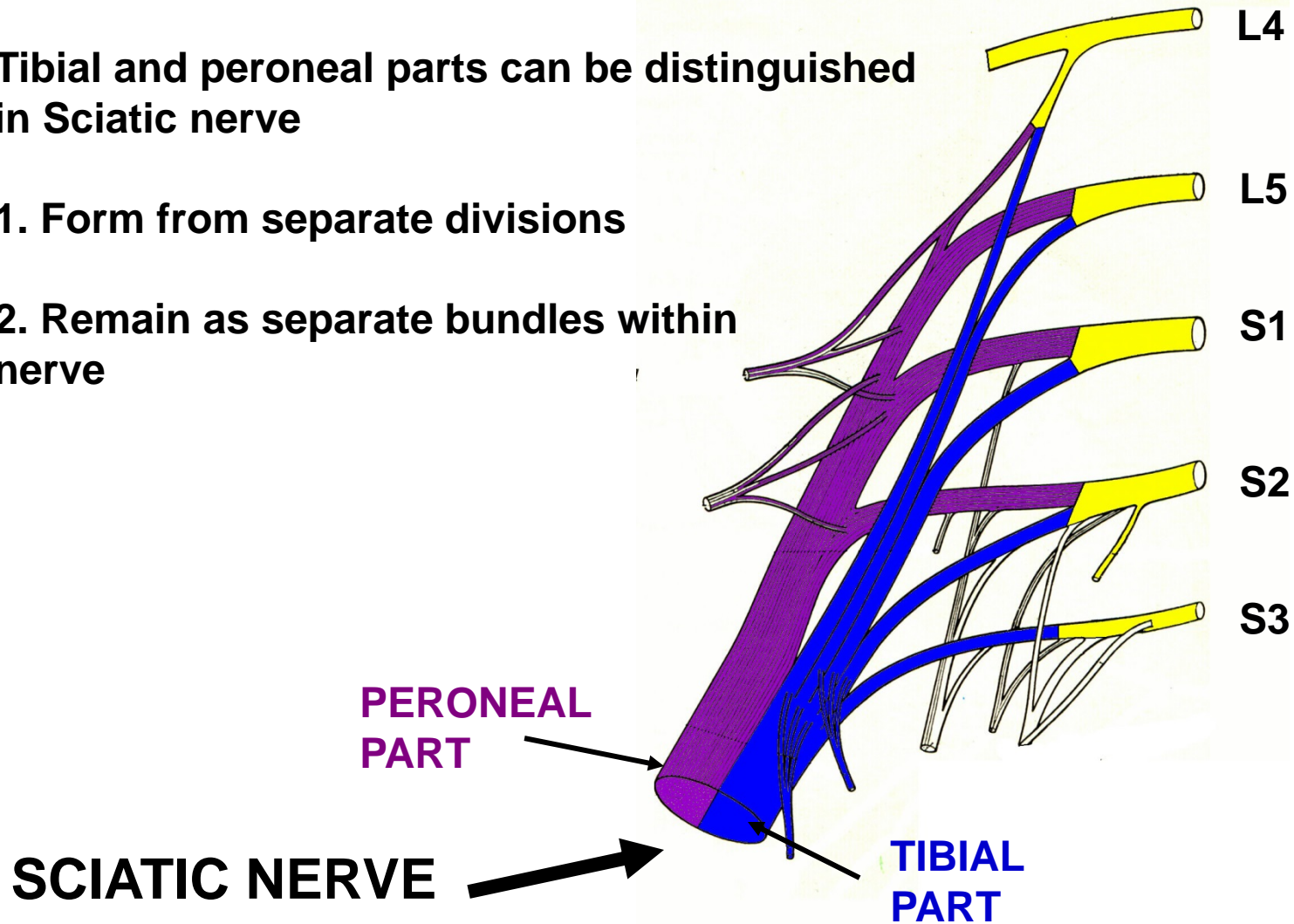




# TIBIAL AND PERONEAL PARTS CAN BE DISTINGUISHED WITHIN SCIATIC NERVE

Tibial and peroneal parts can be distinguished in Sciatic nerve

1. Form from separate divisions
2. Remain as separate bundles within nerve



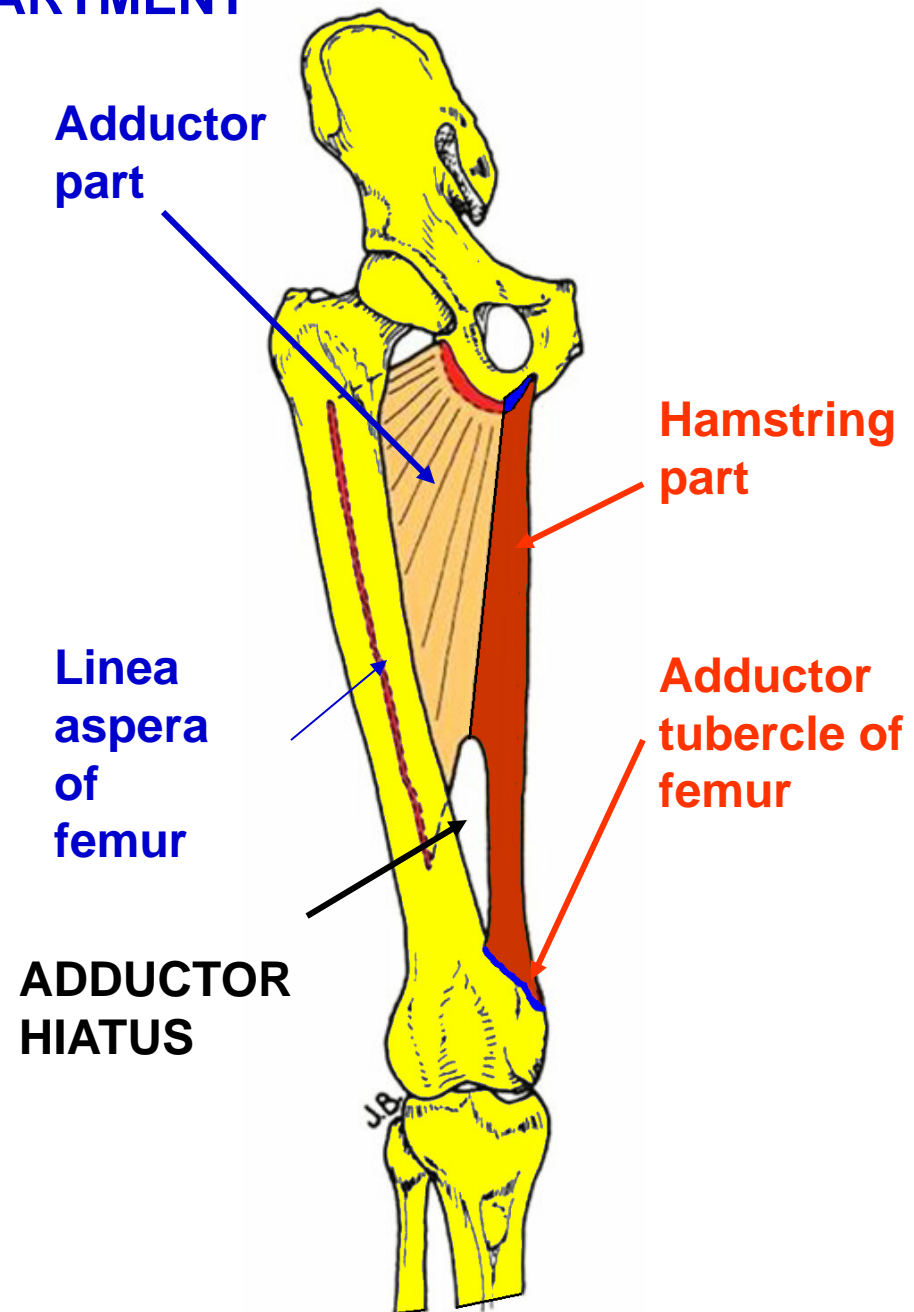
## IV. MUSCLES OF MEDIAL COMPARTMENT

1. **Adductor Magnus** - has two parts;

a. **Adductor part** -  
origin: pubis and ischium, insert:  
**Linea aspera of femur**; action:  
Adduct thigh; innervation:  
**Obturator nerve.**

b. **Hamstring part** -  
origin Ischial tuberosity, inserts to  
**Adductor tubercle of femur**;  
action: Extends thigh (because of  
more posterior origin);  
innervation: **Tibial part of  
Sciatic nerve.**

**Clinical Note: Tear or stretch of  
adductor group at pubis is  
called a Pulled Groin.**

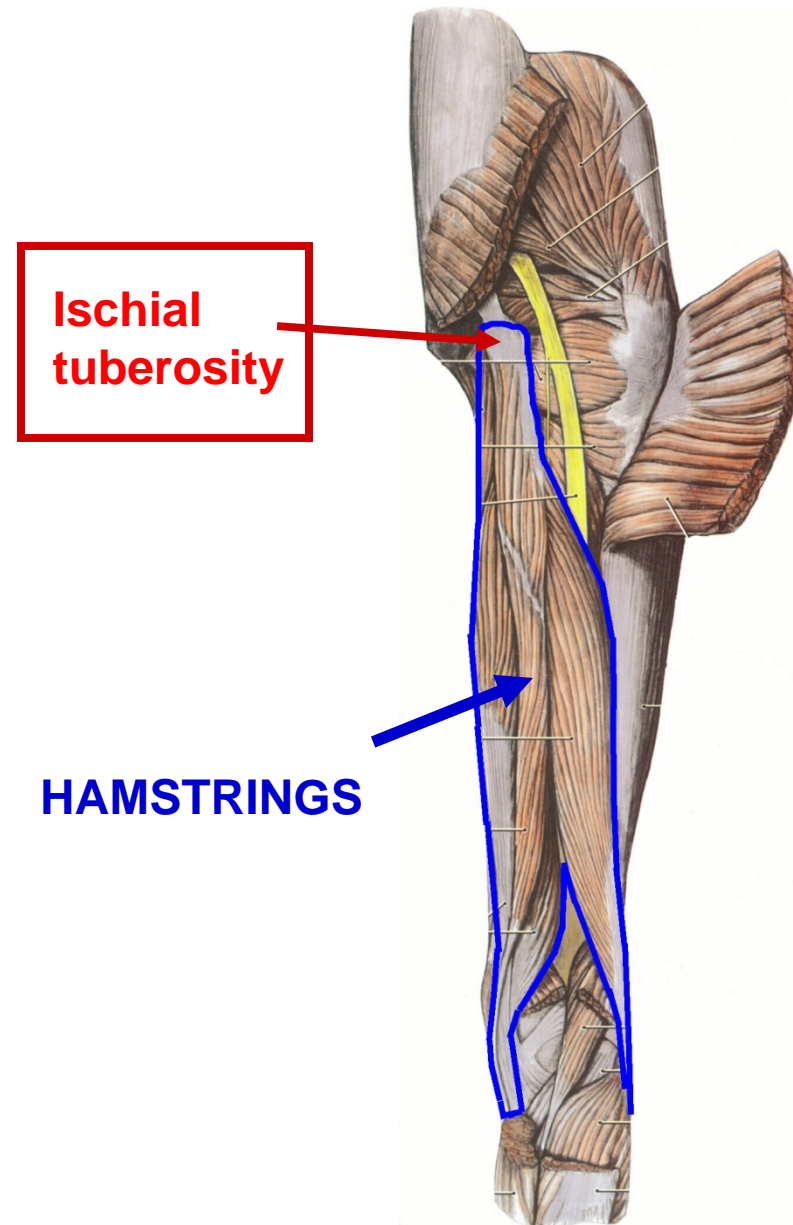


# POSTERIOR THIGH - HAMSTRING MUSCLES

IV. POSTERIOR THIGH - muscles are called **hamstrings** because used by butchers for hanging hams of pigs.

A. **Hamstring muscles** - all originate from **Ischial tuberosity** (except **biceps short head**); all cross hip and knee joint and most are **Bifunctional** (**Extend thigh and flex leg**);

**Adductor magnus** - part of muscle taking origin from **Ischial tuberosity** is considered **hamstring part of Adductor magnus**.



# POSTERIOR THIGH - HAMSTRING MUSCLES

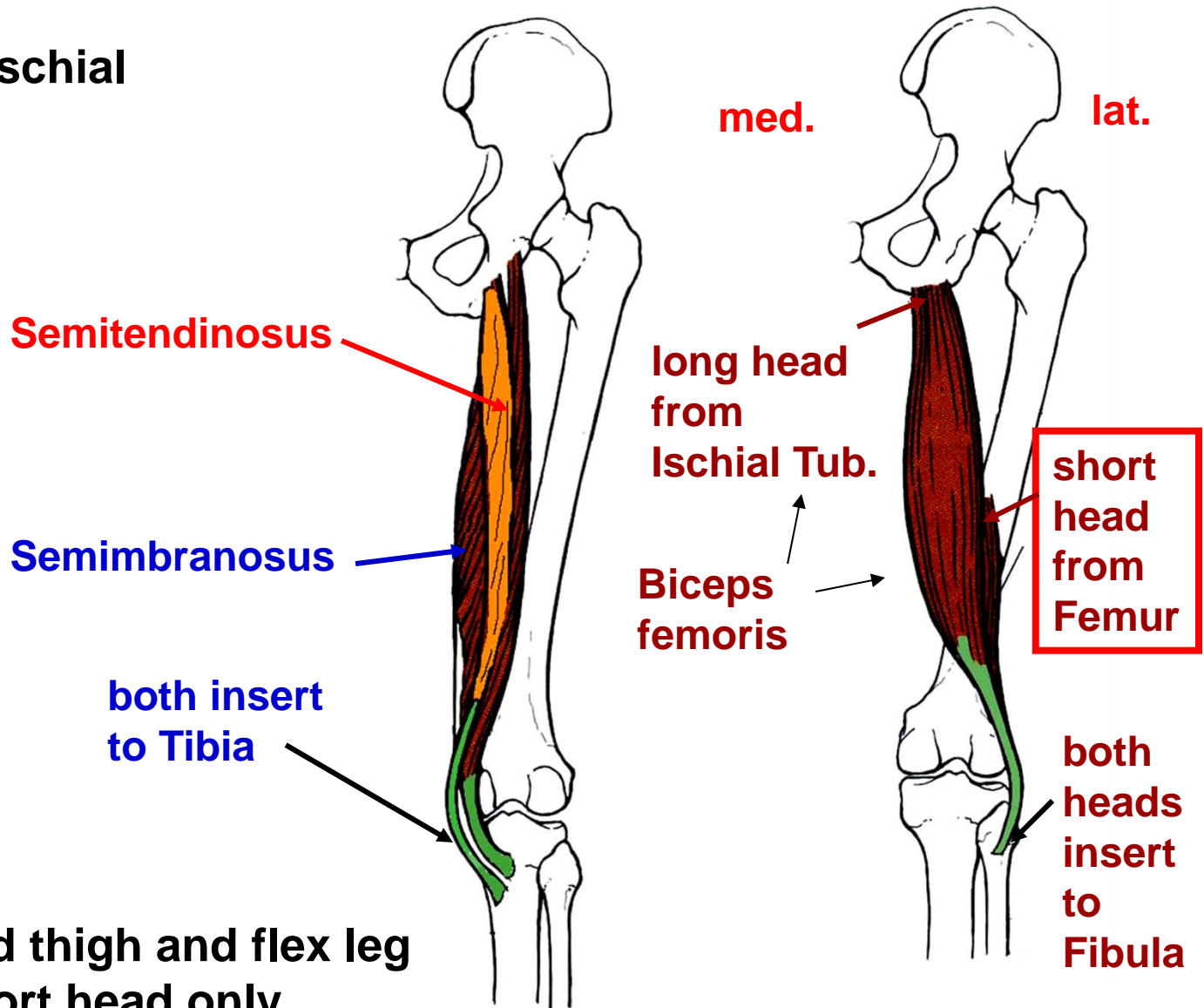
**ORIGIN ALL - Ischial Tuberosity**

1) **Semimbranosus**  
(named for flattened tendon),

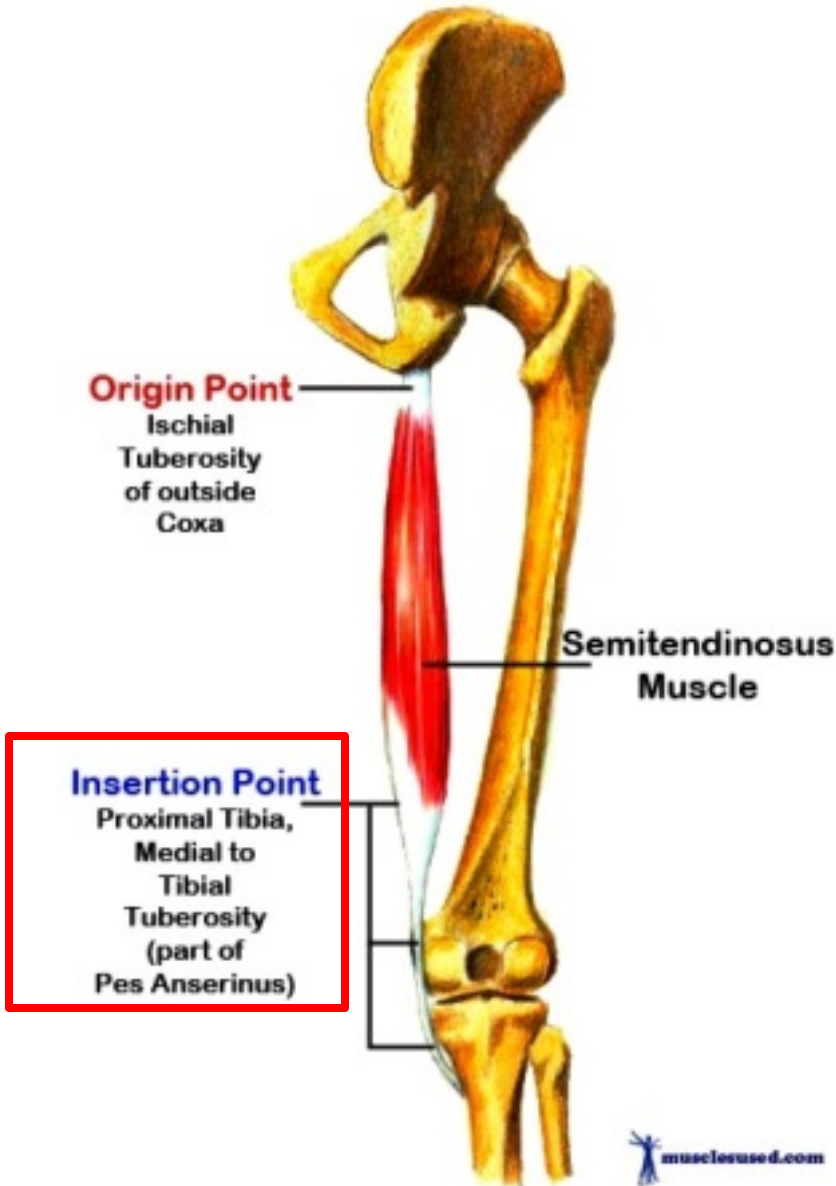
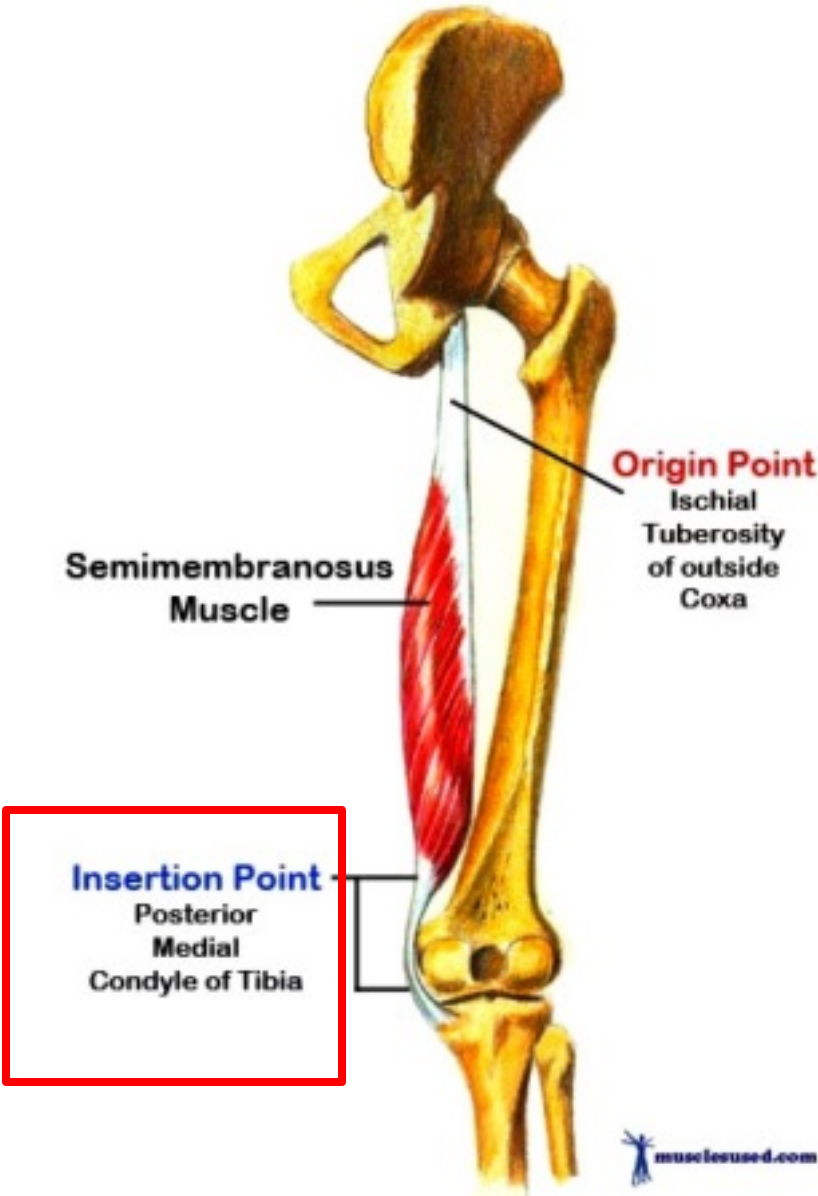
2) **Semitendinosus**  
(named for long tendon distally),

3) **Biceps femoris**  
(two heads, long head from Ischial tuberosity, short head from Linea aspera of femur),

**Action - All Extend thigh and flex leg except Biceps Short head only flex leg**



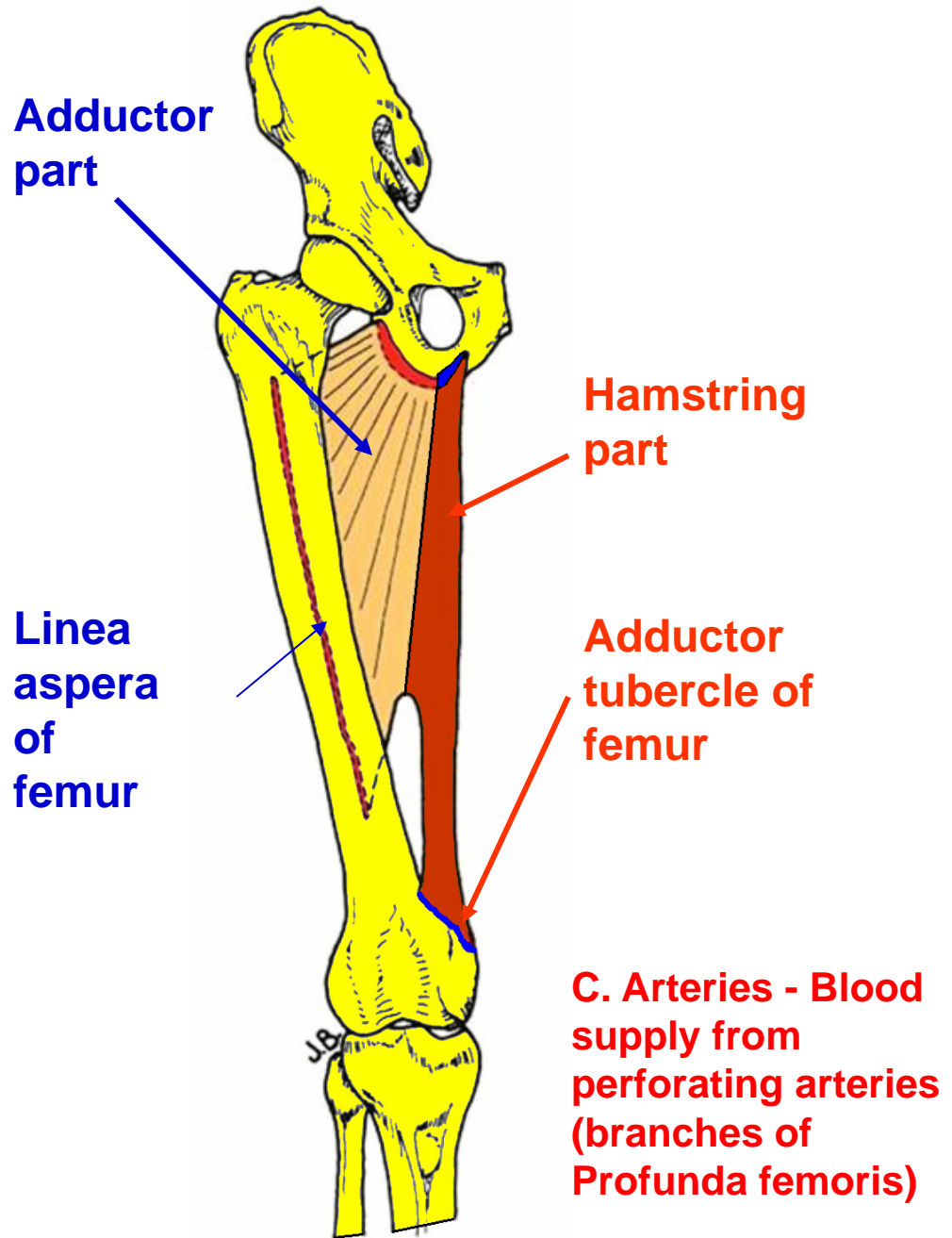
# POSTERIOR THIGH - HAMSTRING MUSCLES





**Adductor magnus - part of muscle taking origin from Ischial tuberosity is considered hamstring part of Adductor magnus.**

**Innervation of Hamstrings - all innervated by Tibial part of Sciatic Nerve except Short head of Biceps - innervated by Peroneal part of Sciatic Nerve.**

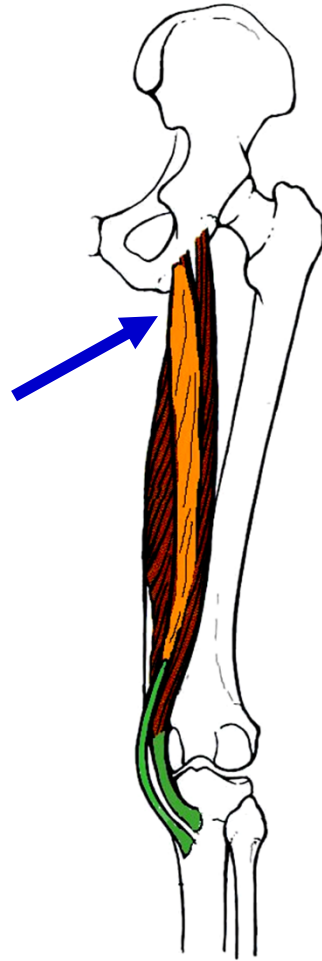




## PULLED HAMSTRINGS - TEAR OR AVULSE FROM ISCHIAL TUBEROSITY

Clinical note:

**Pulled Hamstrings**  
**- can tear or**  
**avulse (pull off)**  
**part of origin of**  
**muscles from**  
**Ischial tuberosity;**  
can occur in  
**running** or when  
**extend knee**  
(contract  
Quadriceps) when  
hamstrings are  
not relaxed;  
extremely painful,  
**person writhes in**  
**unbearable agony.**



**IN EXTREME CASES: AVULSION  
WITH FRACTURE OF ISCHIAL  
TUBEROSITY**

## V. POPLITEAL

**FOSSA** - diamond shaped region in back of knee; **boundaries** -

**Superior:**

**Semimembranosus and Semitendinosus**

medial, **Biceps femoris** lateral;

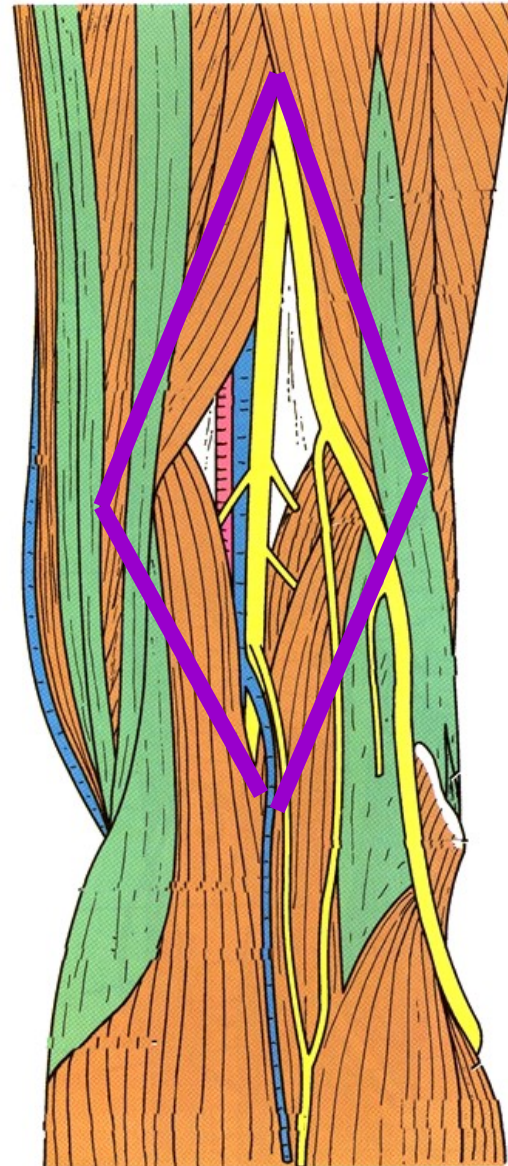
**Inferior** - **Medial and lateral heads of Gastrocnemius.**

## V. POPLITEAL FOSSA

**med.**

Semi-  
membranosus  
Semi-  
tendinosus

Medial  
head of  
Gastroc-  
nemius



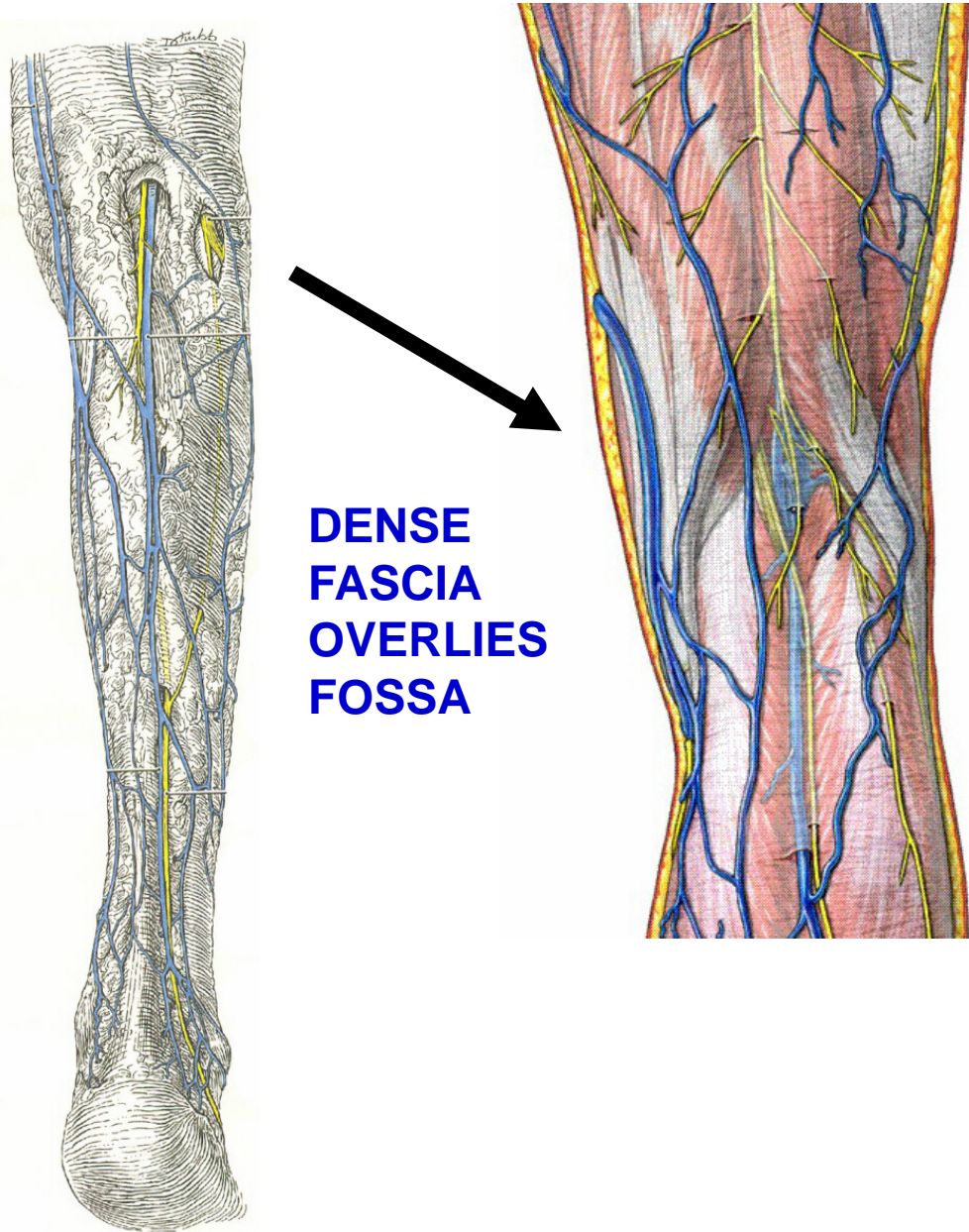
**lat.**

Biceps femoris

Lateral  
head of  
Gastroc-  
nemius

# POPLITEAL FOSSA

A. **Fascia** - forms roof over fossa; **very strong and not permit expansion**; pain from abscess or tumor in fossa very painful.



**DENSE  
FASCIA  
OVERLIES  
FOSSA**



# SCIATIC NERVE BRANCHES TO TIBIAL AND COMMON PERONEAL NERVES

## 1. **Tibial nerve** -

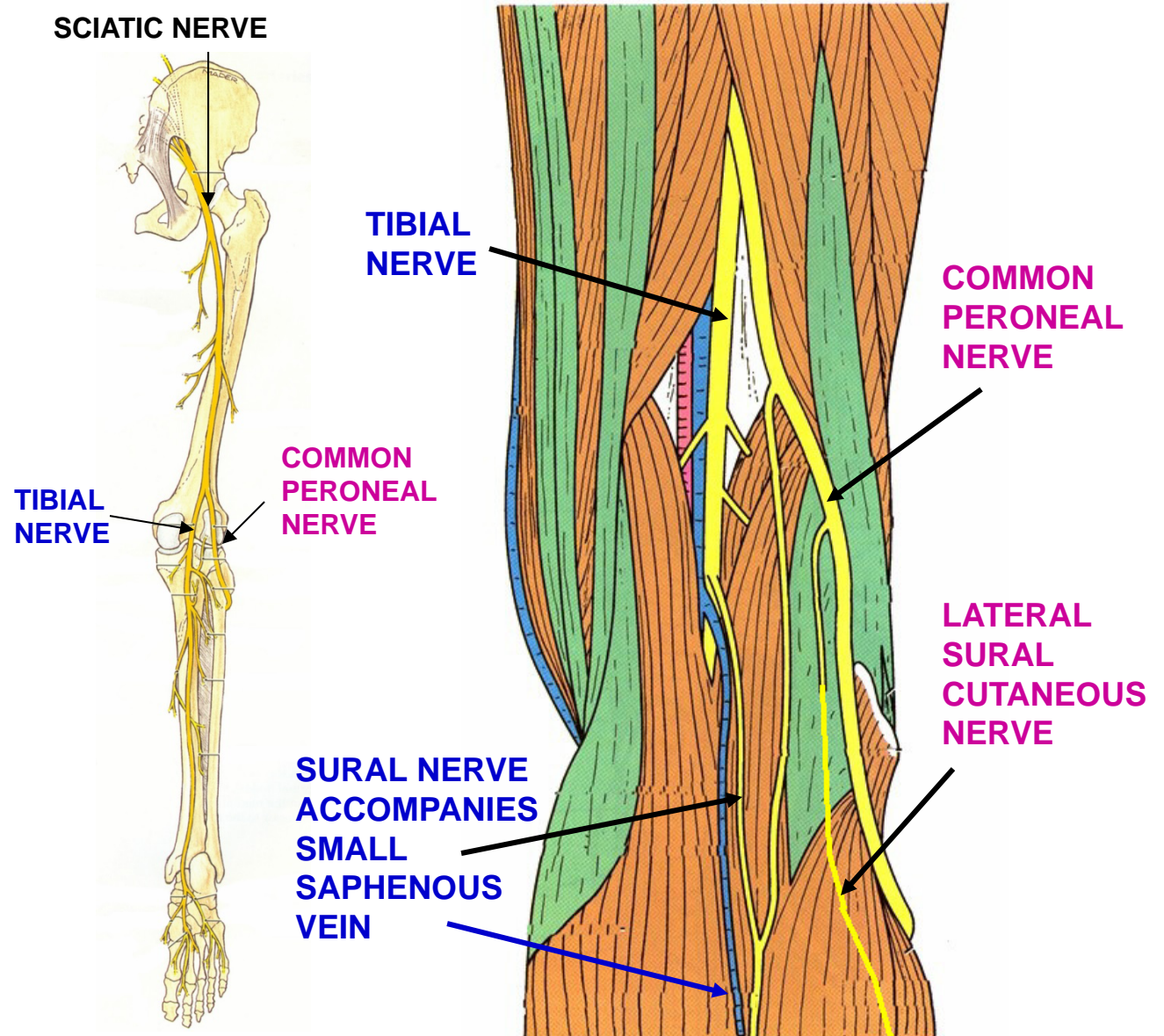
supplies posterior compartment of leg;  
branch:

**Sural nerve** (Medial Sural cutaneous nerve) accompanies Small Saphenous vein;  
**sensory to posterior side of calf** and lateral foot.

## 2. **Common Peroneal Nerve** -

supplies lateral and anterior compartments of leg;  
branch:

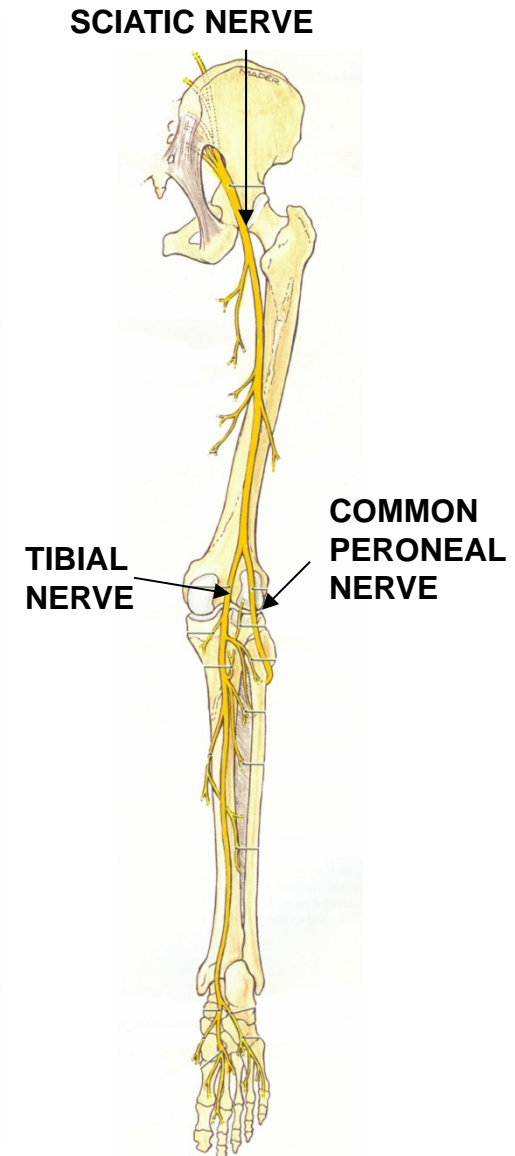
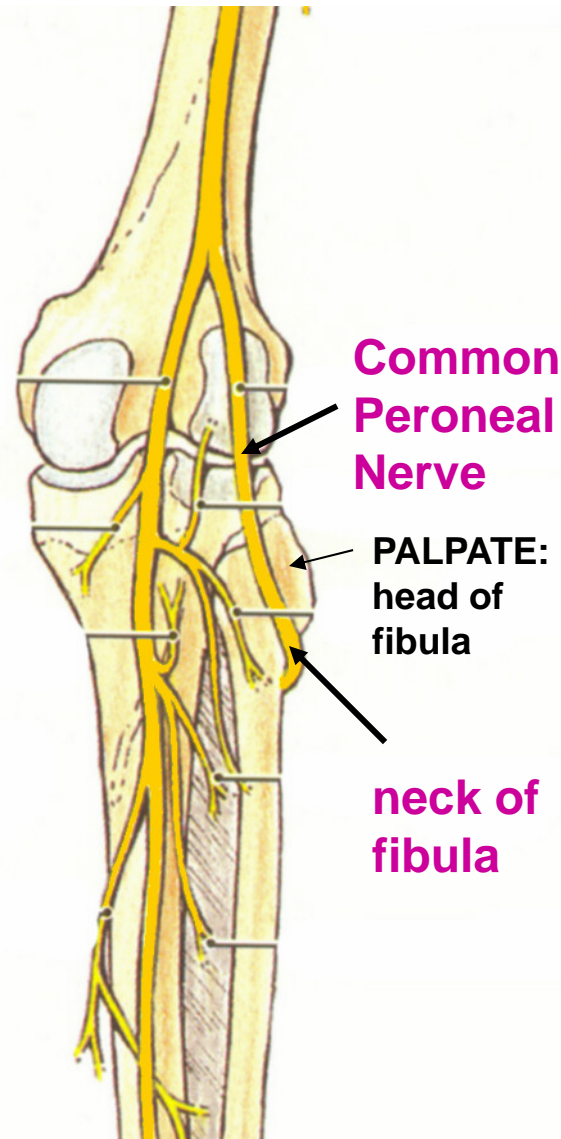
**Lateral Sural Cutaneous Nerve** -  
sensory to **skin of lateral calf**.





## DAMAGE TO COMMON PERONEAL NERVE - FOOT DROP

Clinical Note:  
Damage to **Common Peroneal Nerve** - most commonly damaged nerve in lower extremity; very superficial when winds around **neck of fibula**; can be severed by fracture of fibula or damaged from tight plaster cast; sign is called **FOOT DROP**.

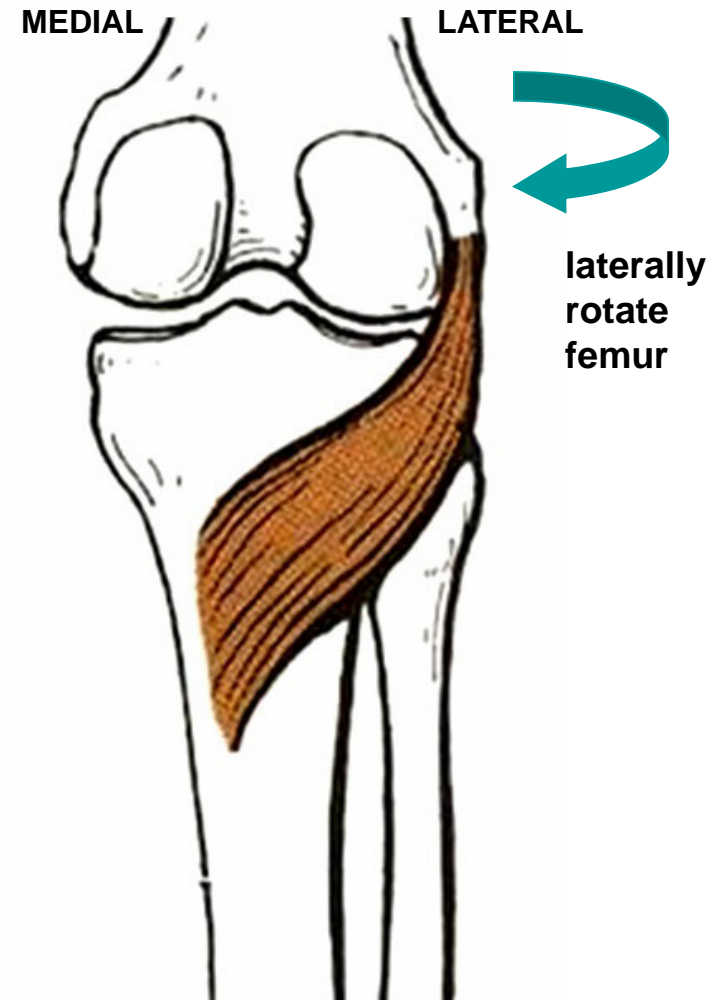
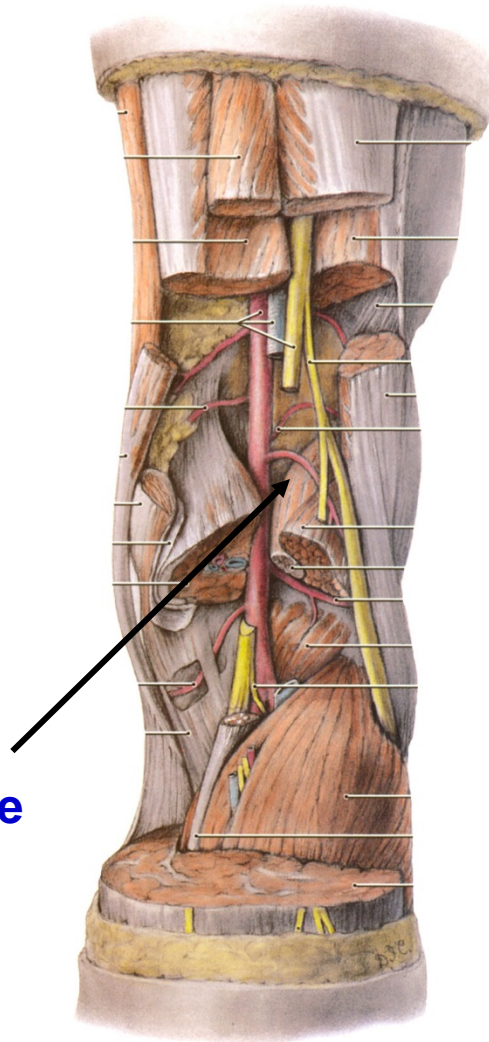


## POPLITEUS MUSCLE

### B. Popliteus

**Muscle** - small but functionally important;  
origin - femur, inside knee joint (**lateral condyle of femur, lateral meniscus**);  
insert - tibia;  
innervation - Tibial nerve

### Popliteus Muscle

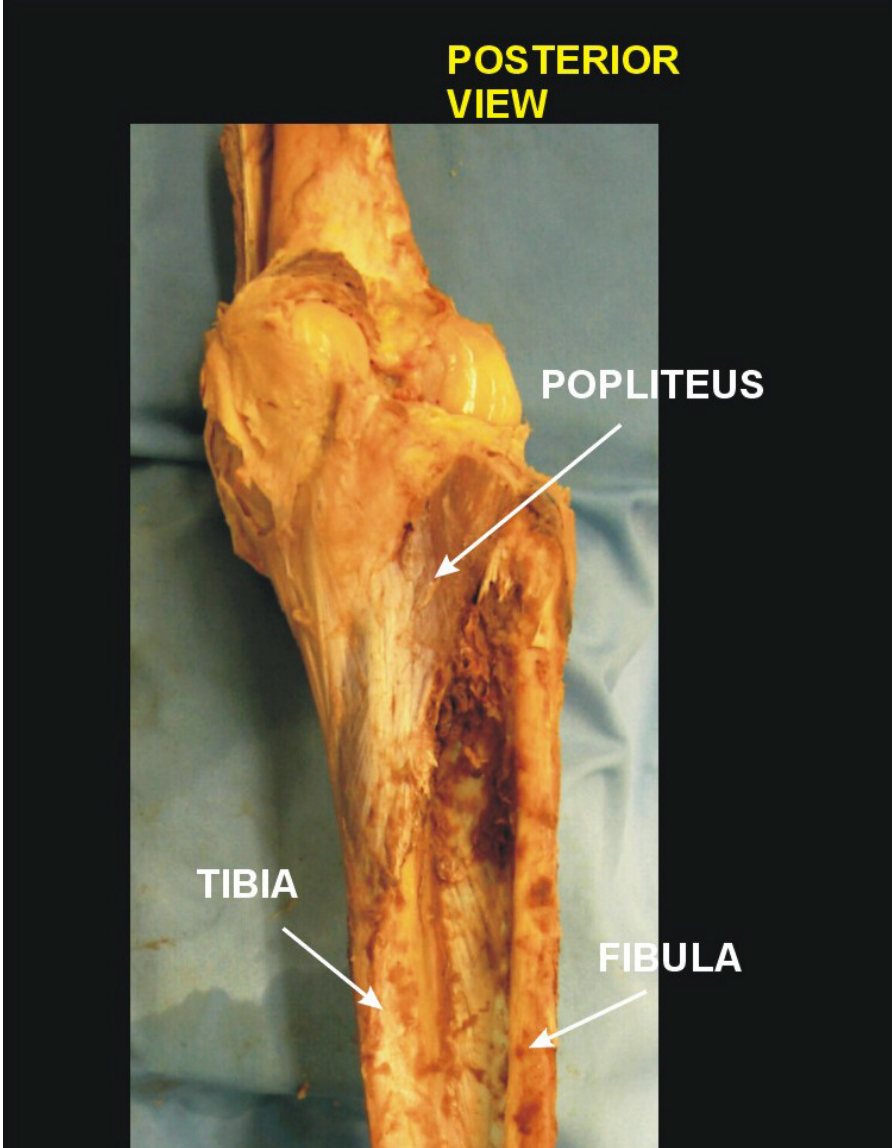
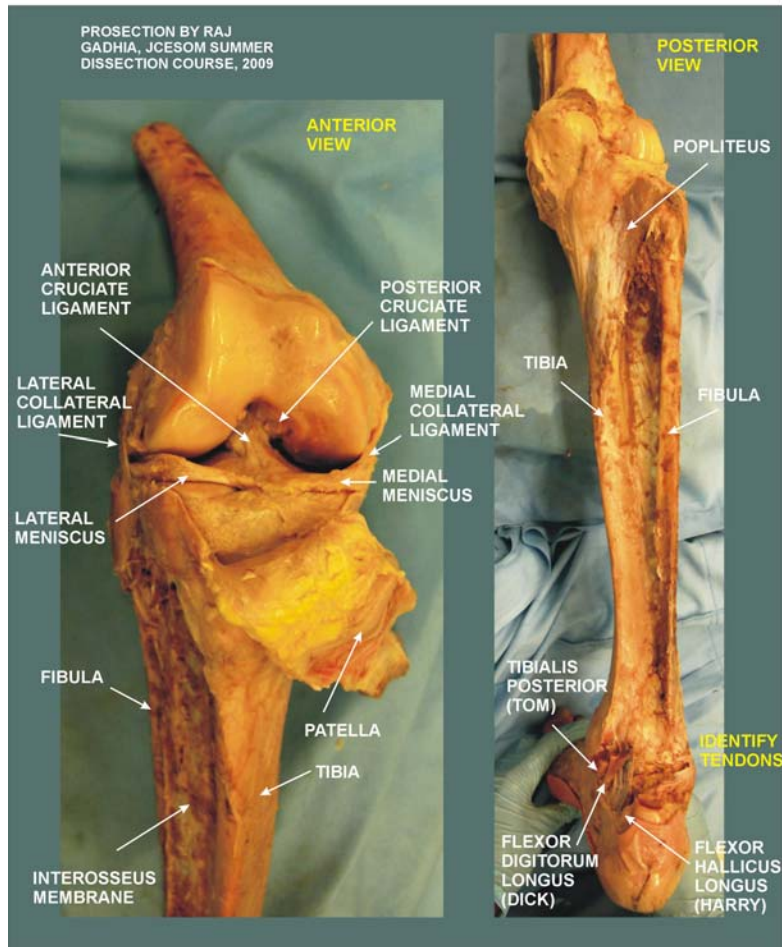


Biomechanical note: Popliteus muscle unlocks knee joint; when **extend leg, femur tends to rotate medially**, pulling tendons and ligaments taut and **'locking' knee**; **Popliteus acts to rotate femur laterally when beginning to flex leg; this unlocks knee joint.**

# POPLITEUS MUSCLE - PROSECTION 298

## KNEE JOINT, POPLITEUS AND INTEROSSEUS MEMBRANE

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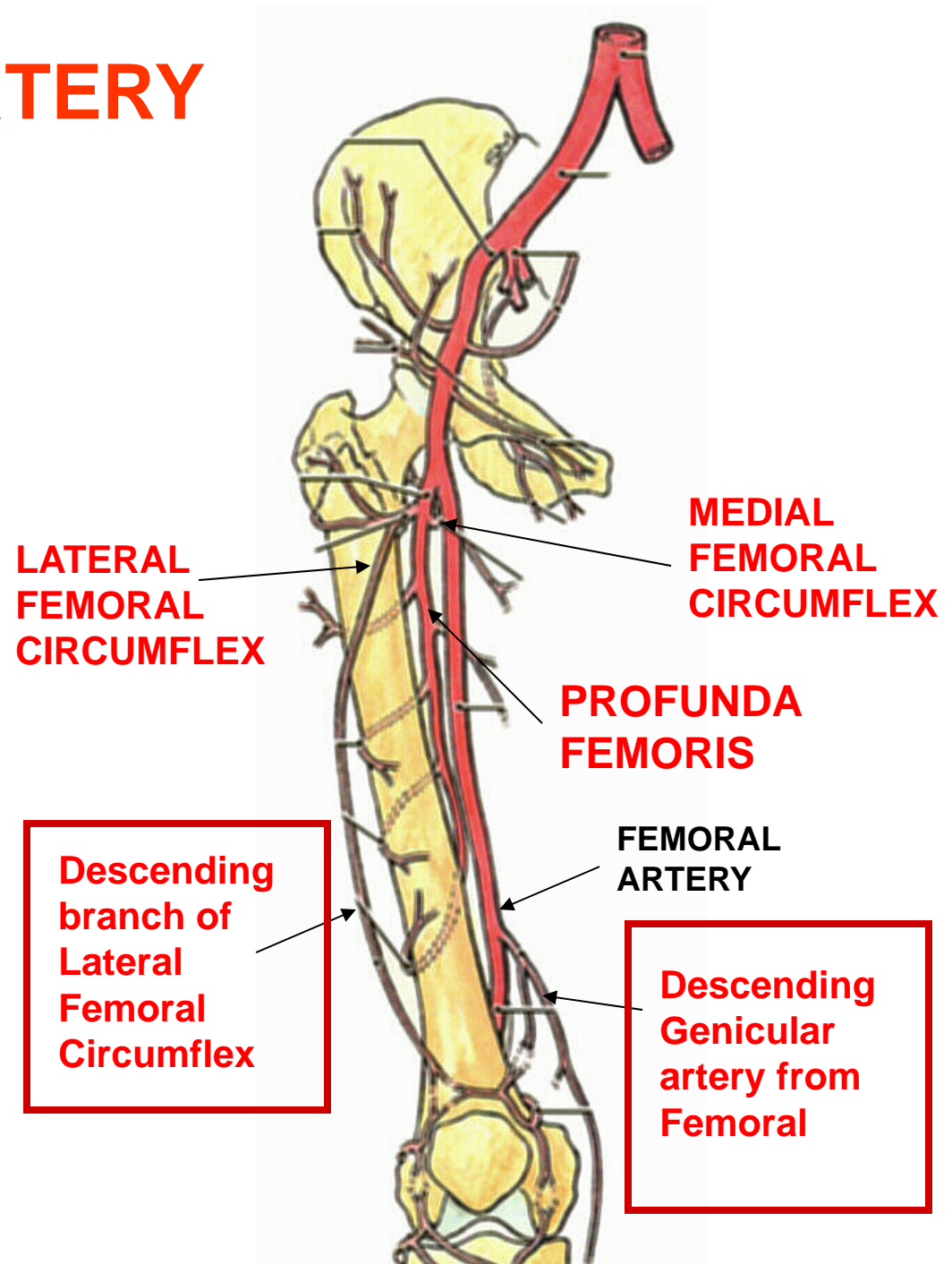


# FEMORAL ARTERY

**Profunda Femoris** - largest branch of femoral; arises posteriorly in femoral triangle and passes between pectineus and adductor longus; branches:

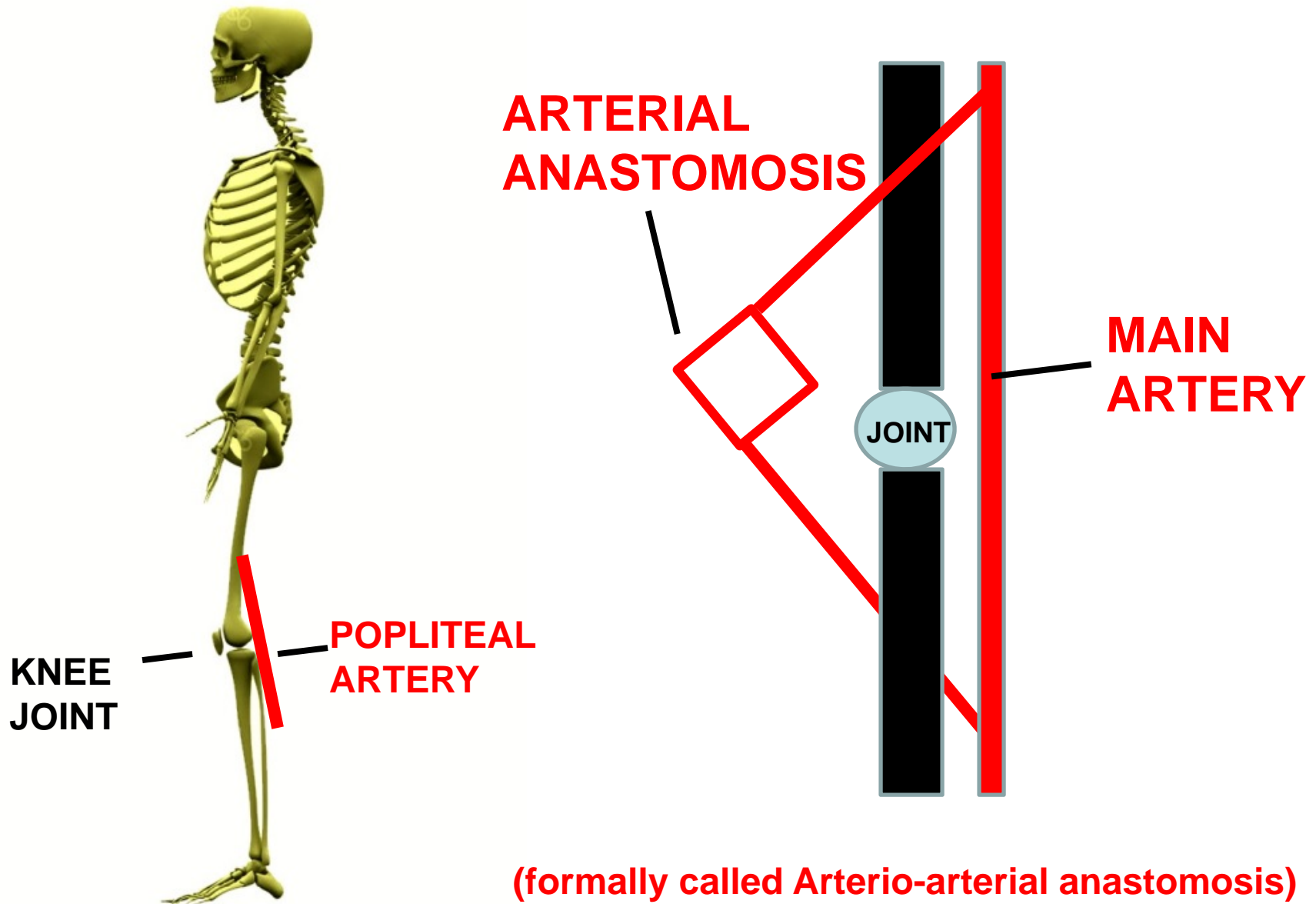
**a. Medial Femoral Circumflex** - passes directly posteriorly between pectineus and iliopsoas; provides most of blood supply to head of femur.

**b. Lateral Femoral Circumflex** - passes laterally, deep to Rectus femoris; supplies lateral side of thigh, neck of femur; has **Descending branch** that is part of Genicular anastomosis at knee joint.



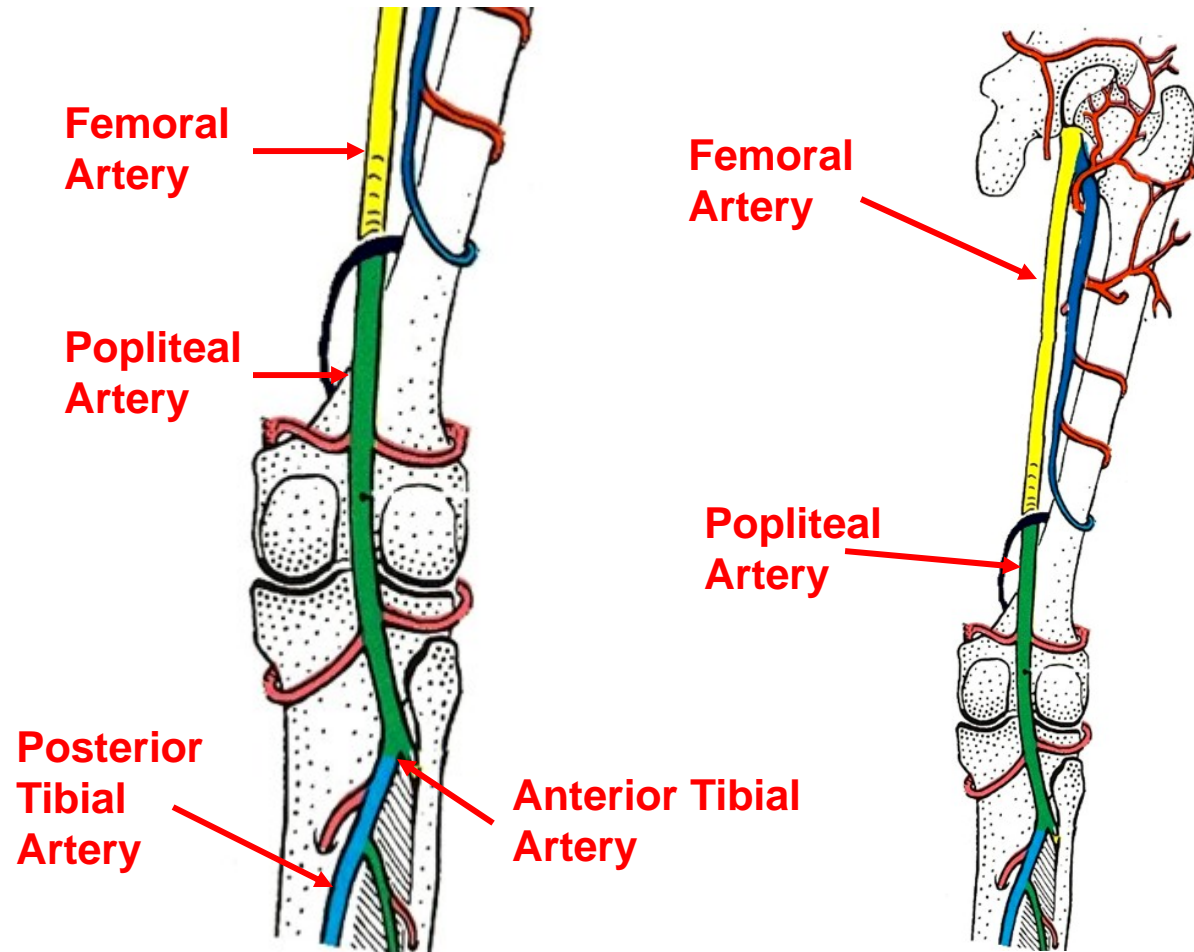


# ARTERIAL ANASTOMOSES AT JOINTS



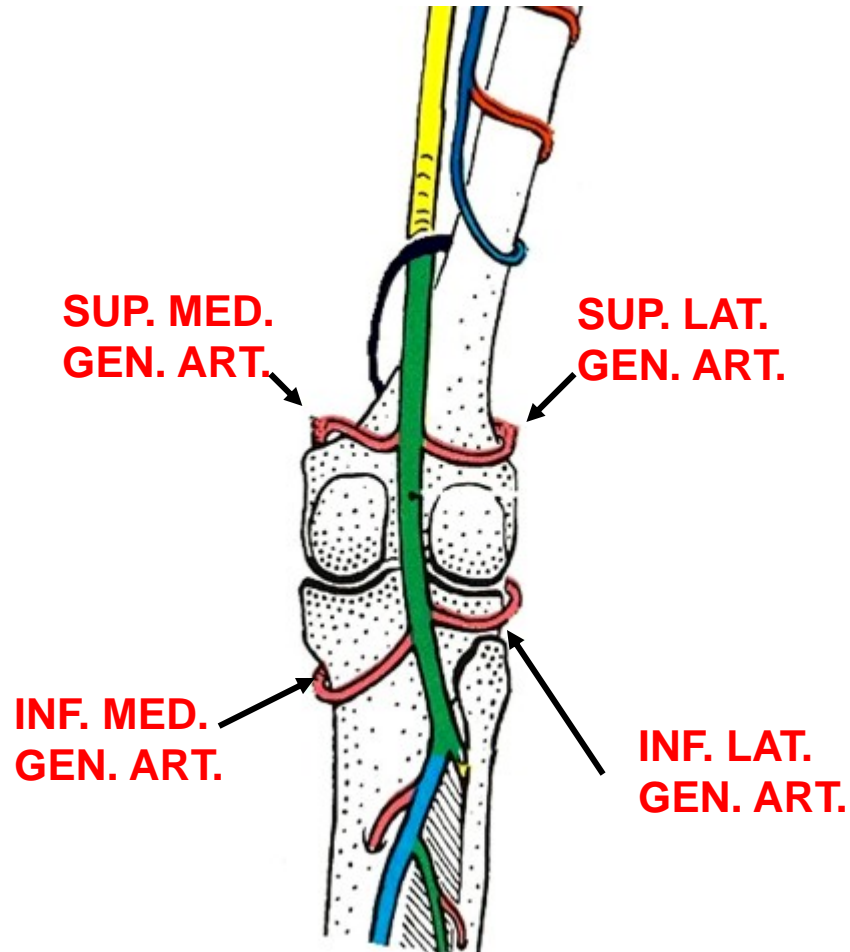
## VI. POPLITEAL ARTERY AND GENICULAR ANASTOMOSIS

**Popliteal artery** (continuation of Femoral Artery) courses deep in Popliteal fossa (deep to vein); **divides into Anterior and Posterior Tibial arteries distally;**



# GENICULAR ANASTOMOSIS

1. **Superior Medial Genicular artery** - anastomoses with Descending Genicular artery (from Femoral Artery)
2. **Superior Lateral Genicular artery** - anastomoses with Descending branch of Lateral femoral circumflex artery
3. **Inferior Medial Genicular artery** - anastomoses with Recurrent branch of Anterior Tibial artery
4. **Inferior Lateral Genicular artery** - anastomoses with Recurrent branch of Anterior Tibial artery



posterior view

# GENICULAR ANASTOMOSIS

1. Superior Medial Genicular artery - anastomoses with Descending Genicular artery (from Femoral Artery)
2. Superior Lateral Genicular artery - anastomoses with Descending branch of Lateral femoral circumflex artery
3. Inferior Medial Genicular artery AND
4. Inferior Lateral Genicular artery - BOTH anastomose with Recurrent branch of Anterior Tibial artery

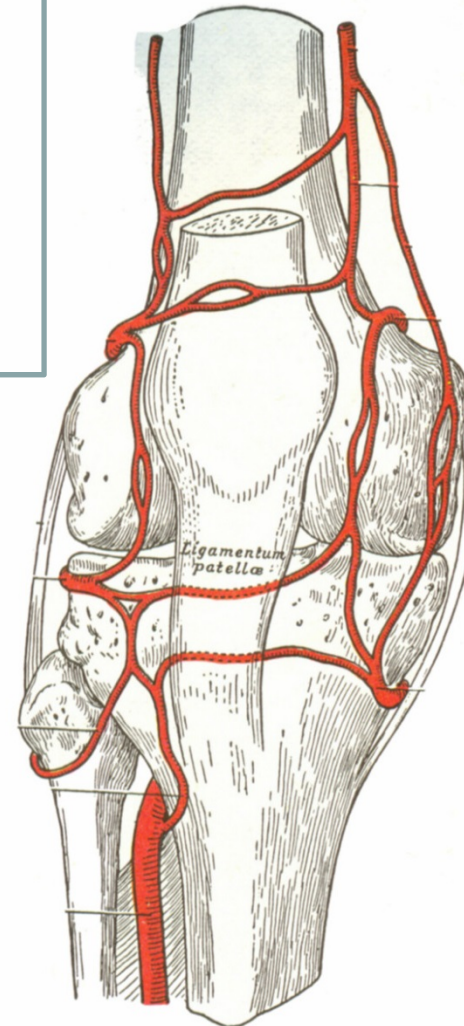
Remember: Lateral goes to lateral:  
 Desc. Br. Lat. Fem. Circumflex joins  
 Superior Lateral Genicular Artery

DESC. BR.  
LAT. FEM.  
 CIRC.  
 ↓  
 SUP. LAT.  
 GEN. ART.

LATERAL

INF. LAT.  
 GEN. ART.

↑  
 RECURR. BR.  
 ANT. TIB. A.



DESC. GEN.  
 FROM FEMORAL  
 ↓

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MEDIAL

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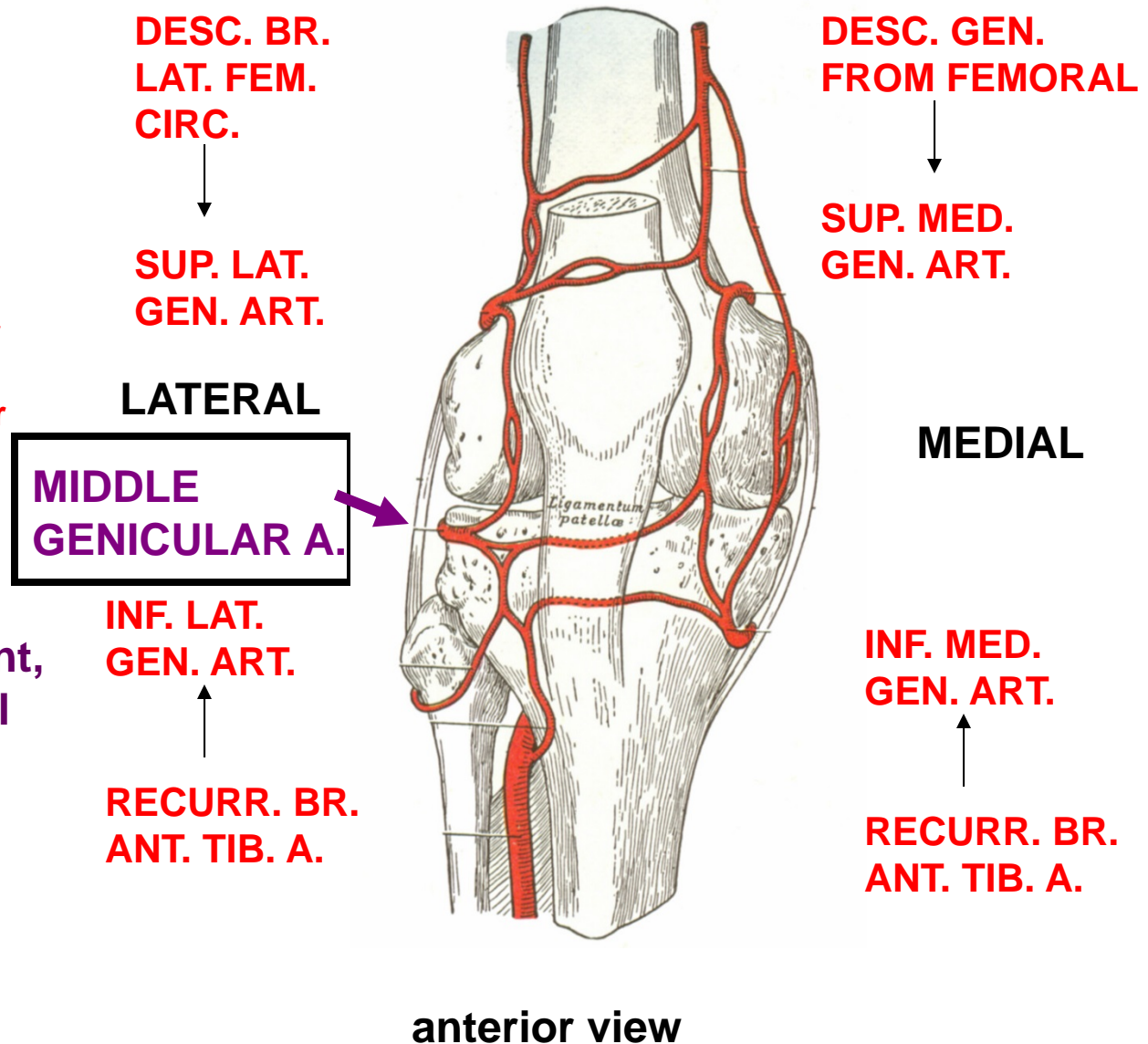
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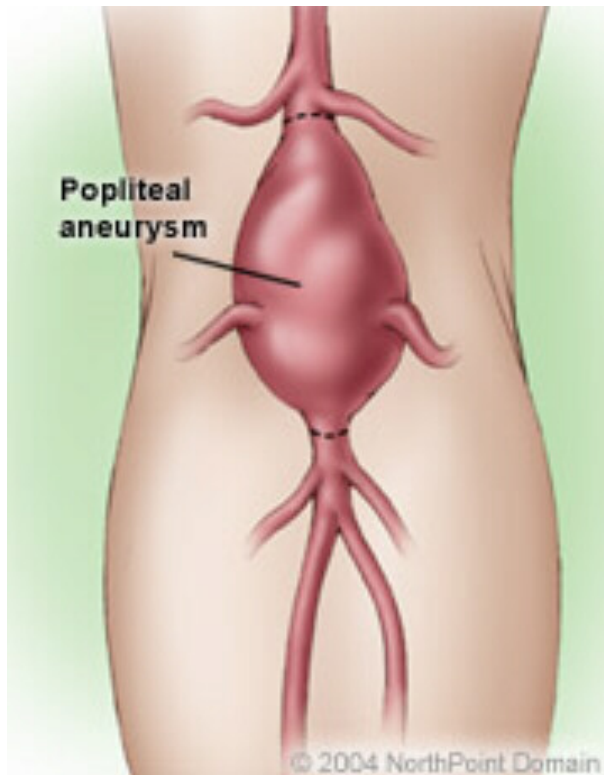


# MIDDLE GENICULAR ARTERY VARIANT

1. Superior Medial Genicular artery - anastomoses with Descending Genicular artery
2. Superior Lateral Genicular artery - anastomoses with Descending branch of Lateral femoral circumflex artery
3. Inferior Medial Genicular artery AND
4. Inferior Lateral Genicular artery - BOTH anastomose with Recurrent branch of Anterior Tibial artery
5. Middle Genicular artery – when present, arises from Popliteal artery; courses anteriorly and anastomoses with Superior Lateral or Inferior Lateral Genicular arteries.



## ANEURYSM OF POPLITEAL ARTERY



**WORD ON  
THE STREET -  
ANEURYSM -  
dilation (Gk.)  
(abnormal  
enlargement)  
of blood  
vessel due to  
weakness of  
walls**

**POPLITEAL  
ANEURYSM**

Clinical Note: **Aneurysm of Popliteal artery** - painful, due to toughness of fascia on back of knee, **Femoral artery can be ligated above knee deep to Sartorius in Subsartorial canal (also called Hunter's canal** for John Hunter, Scottish surgeon who invented operation); blood supply maintained by anastomoses around knee (Genicular anastomosis).

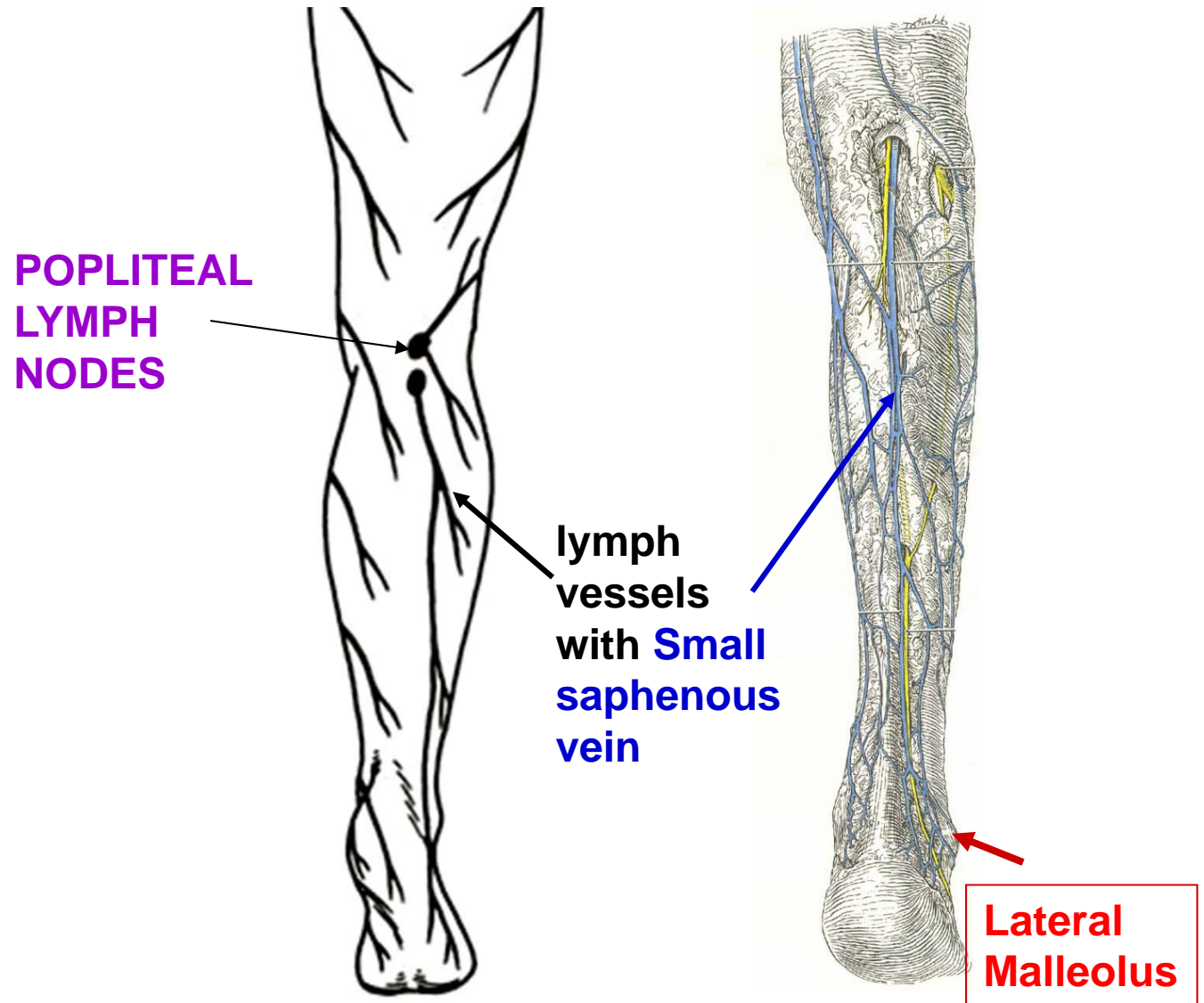
## VII. POPLITEAL LYMPH NODES

- follow **venous drainage:**

receive lymph from

1) **Deep leg** that travel with Anterior and Posterior tibial vessels; also lymph from

2) **Superficial leg and lateral foot** from vessels with **Small saphenous vein**; drain superiorly to deep inguinal nodes.



## CHECK LIST FOR GLUTEAL REGION AND POSTERIOR THIGH LAB 2018

### 1) GLUTEAL REGION

#### MUSCLES

\_\_\_\_\_ GLUTEUS MAXIMUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ GLUTEUS MEDIUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ GLUTEUS MINIMUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ PIRIFORMIS  
\_\_\_\_\_ SUPERIOR GEMELLUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ INFERIOR GEMELLUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ OBTURATOR INTERNUS

\_\_\_\_\_ QUADRATUS FEMORIS

#### ARTERIES

\_\_\_\_\_ SUPERIOR GLUTEAL A.  
\_\_\_\_\_ INFERIOR GLUTEAL A. (cut)

#### NERVES

\_\_\_\_\_ SCIATIC NERVE

### 2) POSTERIOR LEG AND POPLITEAL FOSSA

(NOTE: \* STARRED STRUCTURES ARE OPTIONAL, FIND IF YOU CAN):

#### MUSCLES

\_\_\_\_\_ SEMIMEMBRANOSUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ SEMITENDINOSUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ ADDUCTOR MAGNUS  
\_\_\_\_\_ LONG HEAD BICEPS FEMORIS M.  
\_\_\_\_\_ SHORT HEAD BICEPS FEMORIS M.  
\_\_\_\_\_ GASTROCNEMIUS (LAT HEAD)  
\_\_\_\_\_ GASTROCNEMIUS (MED HEAD)  
\_\_\_\_\_ POPLITEUS M.

\_\_\_\_\_ \*SUPERIOR LATERAL GENICULAR  
ARTERY

\_\_\_\_\_ \*SUPERIOR MEDIAL GENICULAR A  
\_\_\_\_\_ \*INFERIOR MEDIAL GENICULAR A  
\_\_\_\_\_ \*INFERIOR LATERAL GENICULAR A

#### NERVES -

\_\_\_\_\_ SCIATIC NERVE  
\_\_\_\_\_ TIBIAL NERVE  
\_\_\_\_\_ COMMON PERONEAL N.

#### ARTERIES

\_\_\_\_\_ POPLITEAL ARTERY

#### VEINS -

\_\_\_\_\_ POPLITEAL VEIN



## JOINTS OF LOWER EXTREMITY

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I. HIP JOINT - Synovial ball and socket articulation between head of femur and acetabulum; specialized for support of body weight but allows freedom of movement.

A. Articular surfaces - Articular surface of acetabulum is C shaped (Lunate Articular Surface) and has a gap inferiorly called the acetabular notch. Cavity of the acetabulum is deepened by a rim of fibrocartilage called the acetabular labrum. The labrum bridges the notch and is strengthened by the Transverse acetabular ligament. Both the articular surfaces of the acetabulum and femur are covered by hyaline cartilage.

B. Joint capsule - Strong fibrous layer that encloses joint; lined by a synovial membrane; has thickened regions (called intrinsic ligaments) that prevent excessive joint movement.

1. Iliofemoral ligament - strongest ligament in body; shaped like an inverted Y; attached above to ilium, below to intertrochanteric line; prevents overextension of hip.

2. Pubofemoral ligament - triangular ligament attached to superior ramus of pubis and intertrochanteric line; limits extension and abduction.

3. Ischiofemoral ligament - spiral shaped; attached to ischium and greater trochanter; limits extension.

C. Ligament of head of femur - inside joint capsule; attached to head of femur at fovea capitis and to transverse acetabular ligament; transmits artery of ligament of head of femur (branch of obturator artery).

Note: **Dislocation** - traumatic dislocation is rare due to strength of intrinsic ligaments; congenitally, upper lip of acetabulum may fail to form and head of femur may dislocate superiorly; leg is rotated medially; also appears to be shorter

Note: **Fracture of neck of femur** - common in the elderly; leg is rotated laterally due to action of gluteus maximus and short rotators of hip.

Note: **Avascular necrosis of head of femur after fracture of neck of femur** - Head and neck of femur receive blood from branches of obturator artery (through ligament of head) and branches of medial and lateral femoral circumflex arteries; after fracture, supply from circumflex arteries is disrupted; if obturator supply is inadequate, avascular necrosis may occur requiring artificial replacement of head and neck of femur.

II. KNEE JOINT - Anatomically a condyloid synovial joint between condyles of femur and tibia; functionally an amazing feat of bioengineering, acts like a hinge type joint which also permits limited rotation (note: fibula is not directly involved in knee articulation).

A. Articular Surfaces - femur simply against tibia; stability of knee joint dependent upon ligaments.

B. Capsule - surrounds posterior, medial and lateral sides of joint but is absent anteriorly; joint covered anteriorly by patellar ligament, patella, and quadriceps tendon.

C. Bursae - bags of synovial fluid with synovial lining; some connect to main synovial sac of knee joint; become inflamed with repeated contact with ground when kneeling.

1. Suprapatellar bursa - outpocketing of synovial cavity of knee joint posterior to quadriceps tendon.

2. **Prepatellar bursa** - in subcutaneous tissue between skin and patella; **inflammation is called HOUSEMAID'S KNEE.**

3. **Superficial Infrapatellar bursa** between skin and patellar ligament; **inflammation is called CLERGYMAN'S KNEE.**

D. Extracapsular ligaments

1. Patellar ligament - attached above to patella, below to tubercle of tibia.

2. Lateral (fibular) Collateral ligament - attached above to lateral condyle of femur, below to head of fibula (prevents movement of tibia medially). There is a space between the ligament and the lateral meniscus (posteriorly popliteus muscles is in this space).

3. Medial (tibial) Collateral ligament - attached above to medial condyle of femur, below to medial side of tibia; prevents movement of the tibia laterally.

Note: Unlike Lateral Collateral ligament, Medial Collateral ligament is firmly attached to medial meniscus. Both Medial and Lateral Collateral ligaments are taut in extension of knee joint and pull femur against tibia; joint is 'locked' when extended.

E. Intracapsular ligaments - are located deep in joint.

1. Anterior Cruciate ligament - attached between condyles of tibia, anterior to intercondylar eminence; passes upward, laterally, and posteriorly to attach to medial side of lateral femoral condyle; prevents movement of tibia anteriorly.

2. Posterior Cruciate ligament attached between condyles of tibia; attaches to lateral side of medial femoral condyle; prevents movement of tibia posteriorly

Note: Tests for tears in cruciate ligaments -

**Tear Anterior Cruciate Ligament** - can **draw tibia anteriorly.**

**Tear Posterior Cruciate Ligament** - can **push tibia posteriorly**

F. Menisci - "C" shaped cartilages that are attached to inner side of joint capsule

1. Medial Meniscus - attached between condyles; also firmly attached to Medial (tibial) Collateral ligament; relatively fixed in joint.

2. Lateral Meniscus - more movable than Medial Meniscus since it is not attached to Fibular Collateral ligament

Note: **LOCKING AND UNLOCKING KNEE JOINT** - When moving to full extension of knee joint, femur rotates medially during last 30 degrees of movement; this pulls all major ligaments of the knee joint taut, 'locking' the knee and making it very stable; to flex knee from full extension, joint must first be **unlocked by contracting the Popliteus muscle** which rotates the femur laterally (foot is firmly on ground) producing relaxation of ligaments. (**LOCK femur rotates MEDIALY; UNLOCK femur rotates LATERALLY**)

Clinical Note: **Terrible Triad of the Knee joint:** Knee joint is stable in extension but ligaments are slackened by joint flexion; **blow to lateral side** of the knee when the leg is flexed (as can occur in football tackles) can tear **Tibial (Medial) Collateral ligament, Anterior Cruciate ligament and Medial Meniscus** (because it is firmly fixed to the medial collateral ligament).

III. JOINTS BETWEEN TIBIA AND FIBULA - bones linked by ligaments.

A. Interosseus membrane - broad sheet of connective tissue links shafts of tibia and fibula; has gap for Anterior Tibial artery and vein.

B. Inferior articulation - Anterior and Posterior Inferior Tibio-Fibular ligaments join bones above ankle joint.

IV. ANKLE JOINT - Uniaxial, synovial hinge type joint; permits dorsiflexion and plantar flexion (not inversion or eversion which occurs at joints between tarsal bones). Joint is between talus inferiorly and the tibia and fibula superiorly, capsule surrounds joint:

A. Ligaments

1. Medial (Deltoid) ligament - very strong triangular shaped ligament; attaches above to medial malleolus of tibia, below to medial surface of talus and calcaneus. Permits free dorsiflexion/plantar flexion but limits eversion of foot.

2. Lateral ligaments - weaker; all attach above to lateral malleolus of fibula; permit free dorsiflexion/plantar flexion but limit inversion of foot.

a. Anterior and Posterior Talofibular ligaments to talus.

b. Calcaneofibular ligament to calcaneus.

V. JOINT OF INVERSION-EVERSION OF FOOT

A. Inversion eversion movements occur at 1) subtalar joint (between talus and calcaneus) and at 2) transverse tarsal joint (between talus and navicular bones medially, calcaneus and cuboid bones laterally).

B. Movements - In inversion and eversion, the talus remains largely fixed at the ankle joint and the foot rotates about the inferior and anterior surfaces of the talus (the movement is augmented by movement between the calcaneus and cuboid bones).

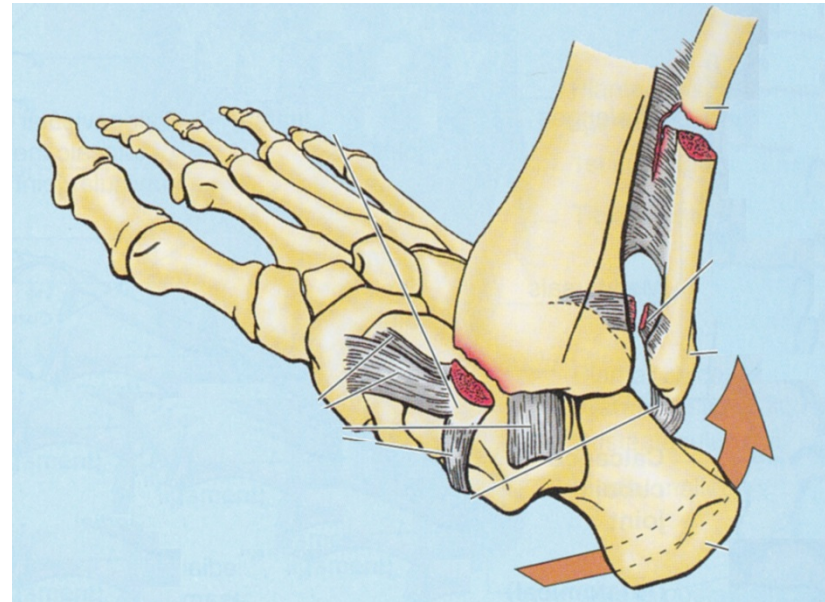
Note: **Sprains** of ankle are usually caused by **excessive inversion**; **Anterior talofibular** and **Calcaneofibular ligaments** are commonly **stretched or partially torn**.

Note: **Pott's fractures** are caused by **excessive eversion**; strong **Deltoid ligament** **does not rupture** but **medial malleolus is fractured**; also **break shaft of fibula**.



# JOINTS OF LOWER EXTREMITY

- I. HIP JOINT
- II. KNEE JOINT
- III. JOINTS BETWEEN TIBIA  
FIBULA
- IV. ANKLE JOINT
- V. JOINTS OF INVERSION-  
EVERSION OF FOOT

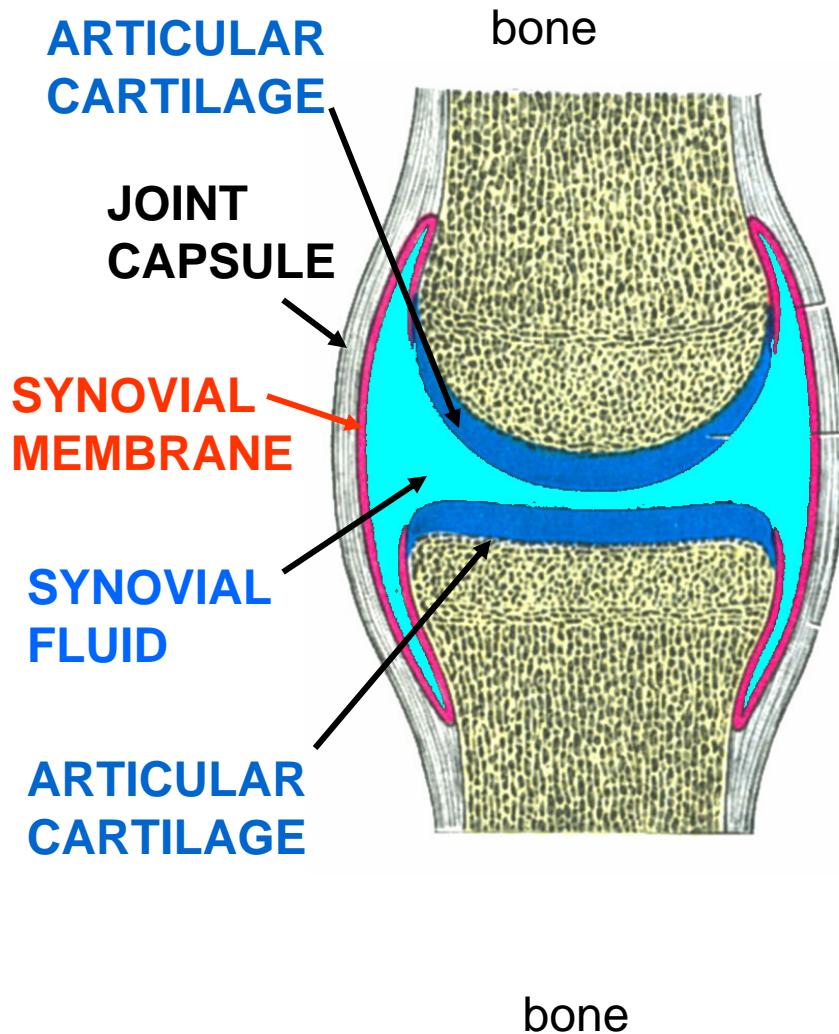


**JOINT - Anatomical definition - region of contact/connection between two bones.**

**- classify joints 1) type of connective tissue; 2) shapes of regions of contact**

**All subject to dislocations, fractures, sprains**

# SYNOVIAL JOINTS



A joint = location where one bone contacts another bone; Synovial joints (hip, knee, ankle) are one class of joints.

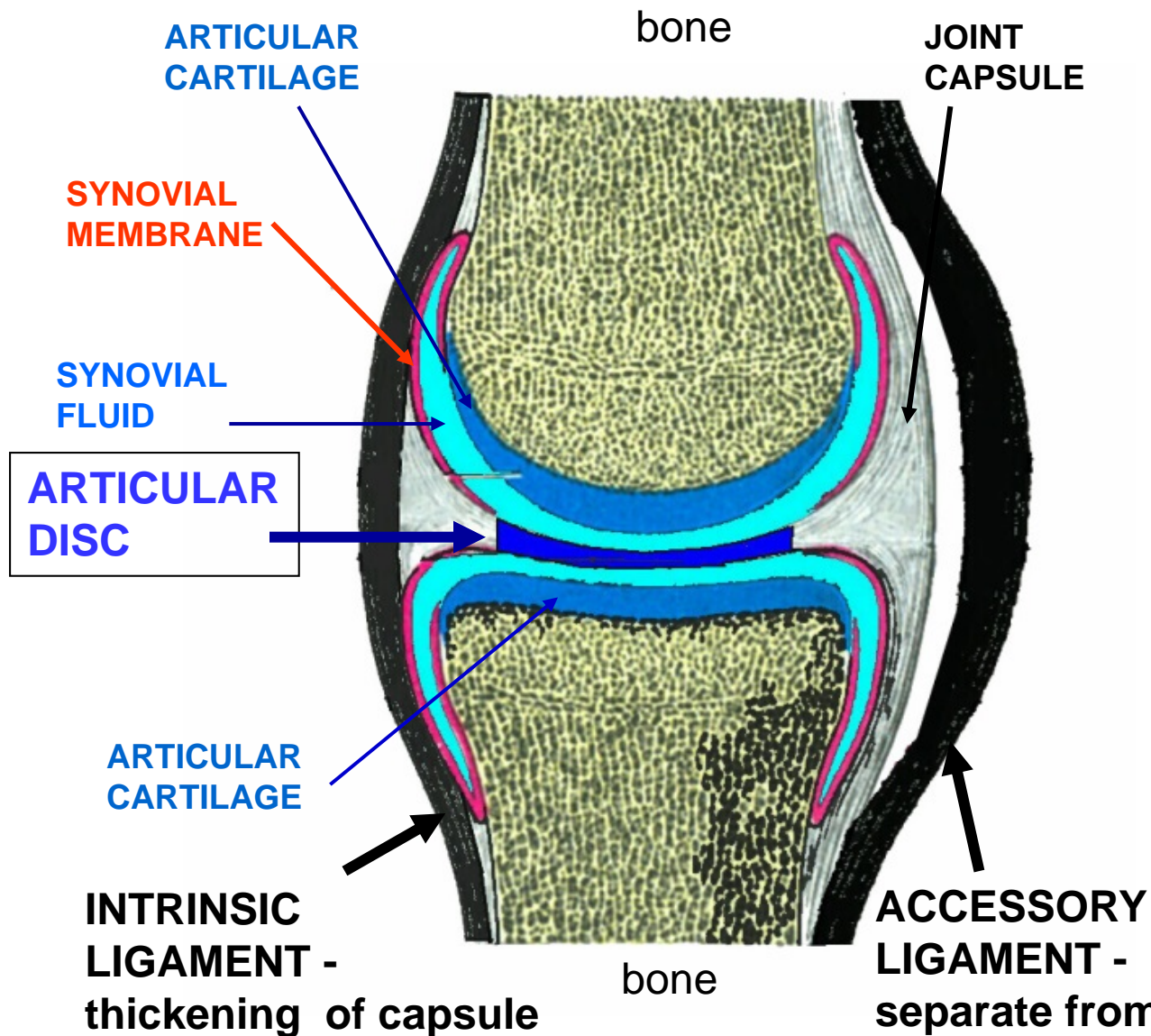
1) JOINT CAPSULE - joints have connective tissue surround the bones

2) SYNOVIAL MEMBRANE - a membrane inside the capsule that secretes synovial fluid (lubricating fluid)

3) ARTICULAR CARTILAGE - cartilage layer on the bones at the point of contact; serves as a shock absorber and reduces the effects of friction on the bones

**OSTEOARTHRITIS - degenerate articular cartilage**

# SYNOVIAL JOINTS CAN HAVE ARTICULAR DISCS



4) ARTICULAR DISC - Some joints also have an **articular disc interposed between the cartilages**; greatly reduce friction wear

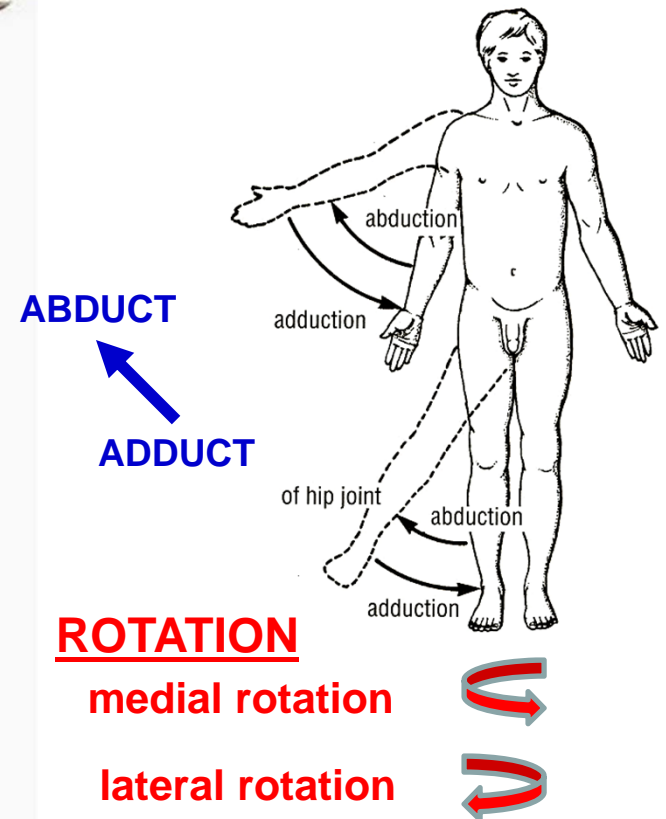
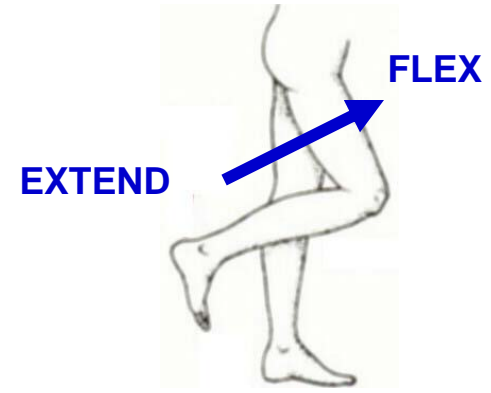
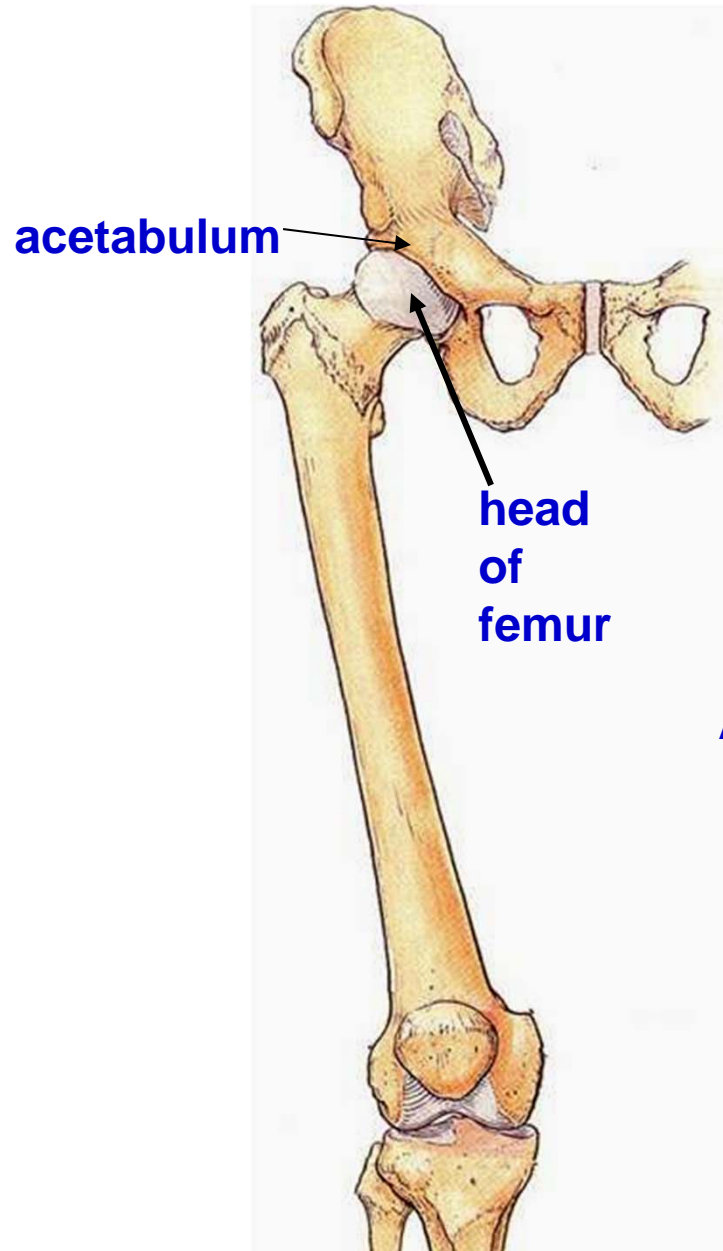
5) LIGAMENTS - connective tissue bands; strengthen joint and may limit movement

a. **INTRINSIC LIGAMENTS** = thickening of capsule - example Ligaments of Hip Joint

b. **ACCESSORY LIGAMENTS** - separate from capsule - example Collateral ligaments of knee

# HIP JOINT

I. HIP JOINT -  
Synovial ball and socket articulation between **head of femur** and **acetabulum**; specialized for **support of body weight** but allows **freedom of movement**.

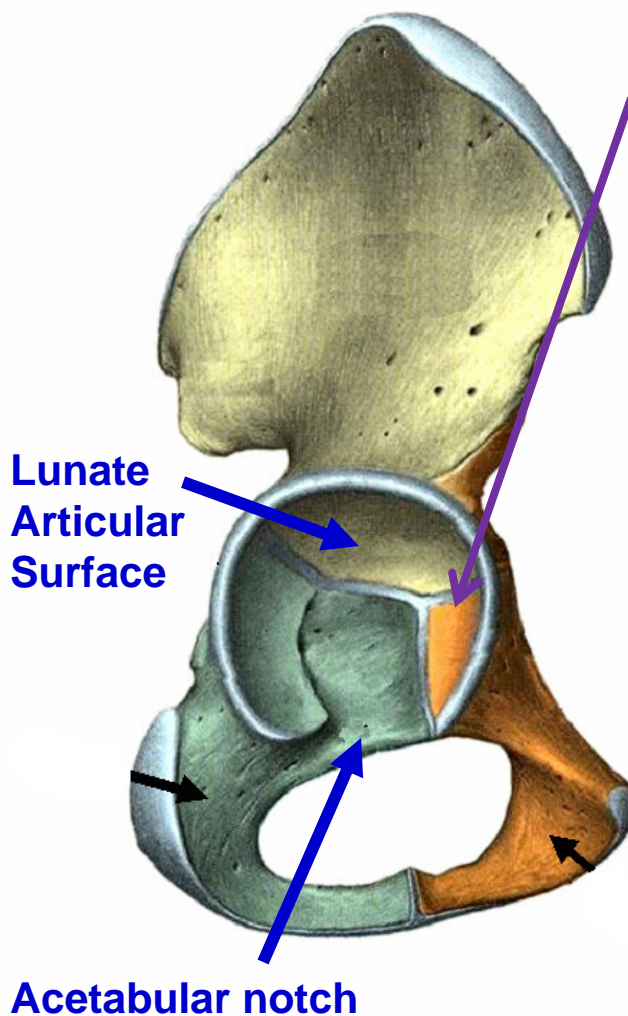




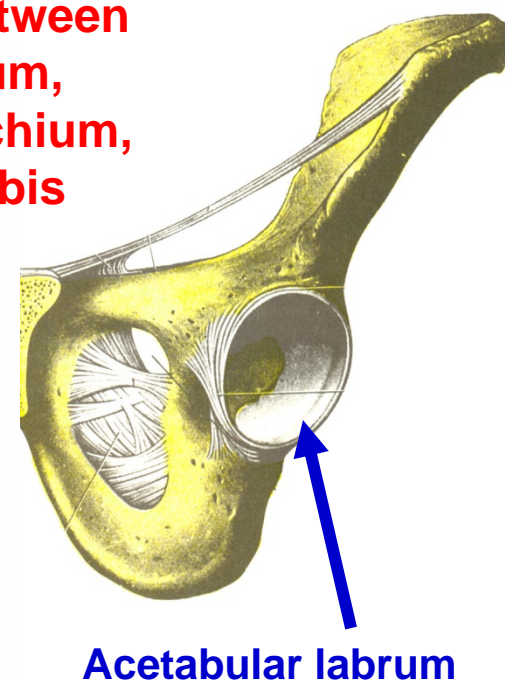
## HIP JOINT - ACETABULUM AND LABRUM

Articular surface of acetabulum is **C shaped (Lunate Articular Surface)** and has a **gap** inferiorly called the **acetabular notch**. Cavity of the **acetabulum is deepened by a rim of fibrocartilage called the Acetabular labrum**. The labrum bridges the notch and is strengthened by the transverse acetabular ligament.

**labrum = lip**



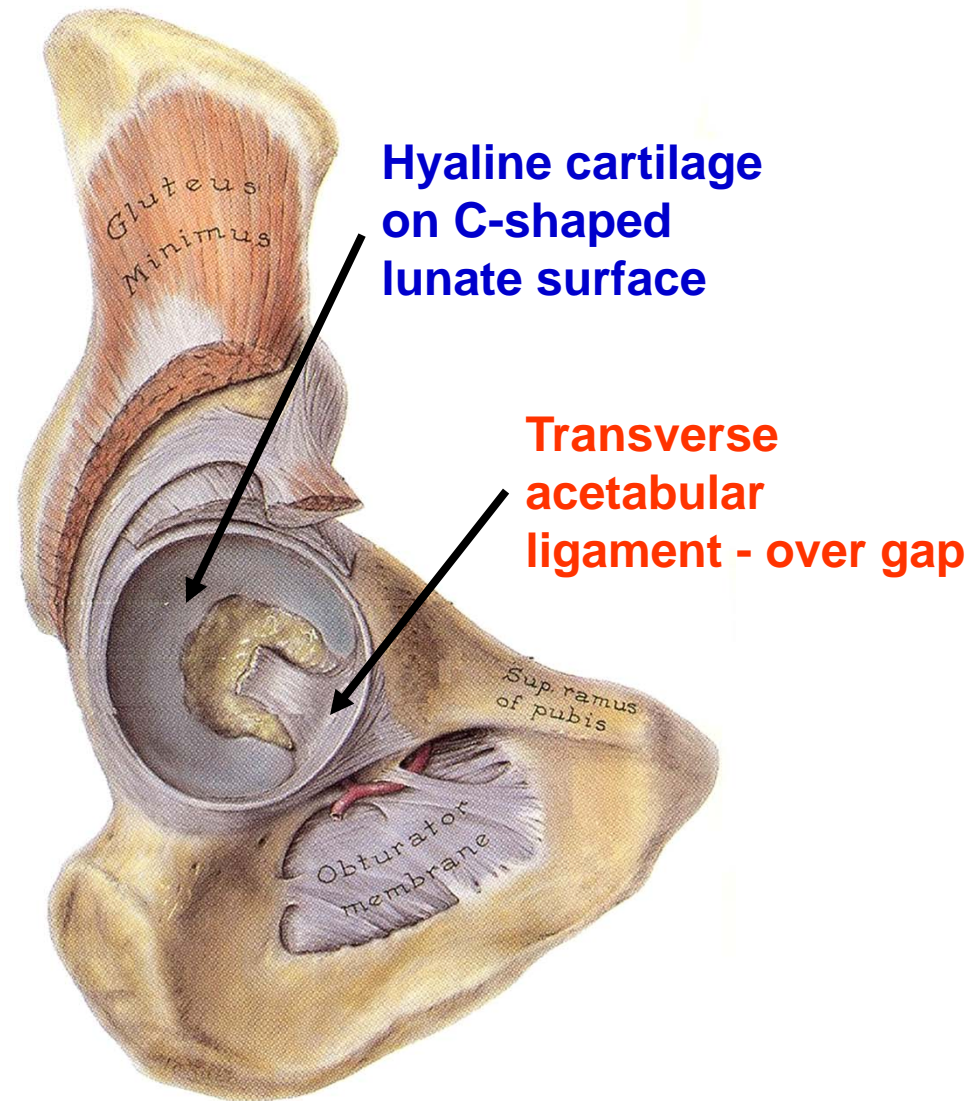
**note: Triradial cartilage - Y shaped between ilium, ischium, pubis**



**like glenoid labrum of shoulder but deeper**

## HIP JOINT - ACETABULUM AND LABRUM

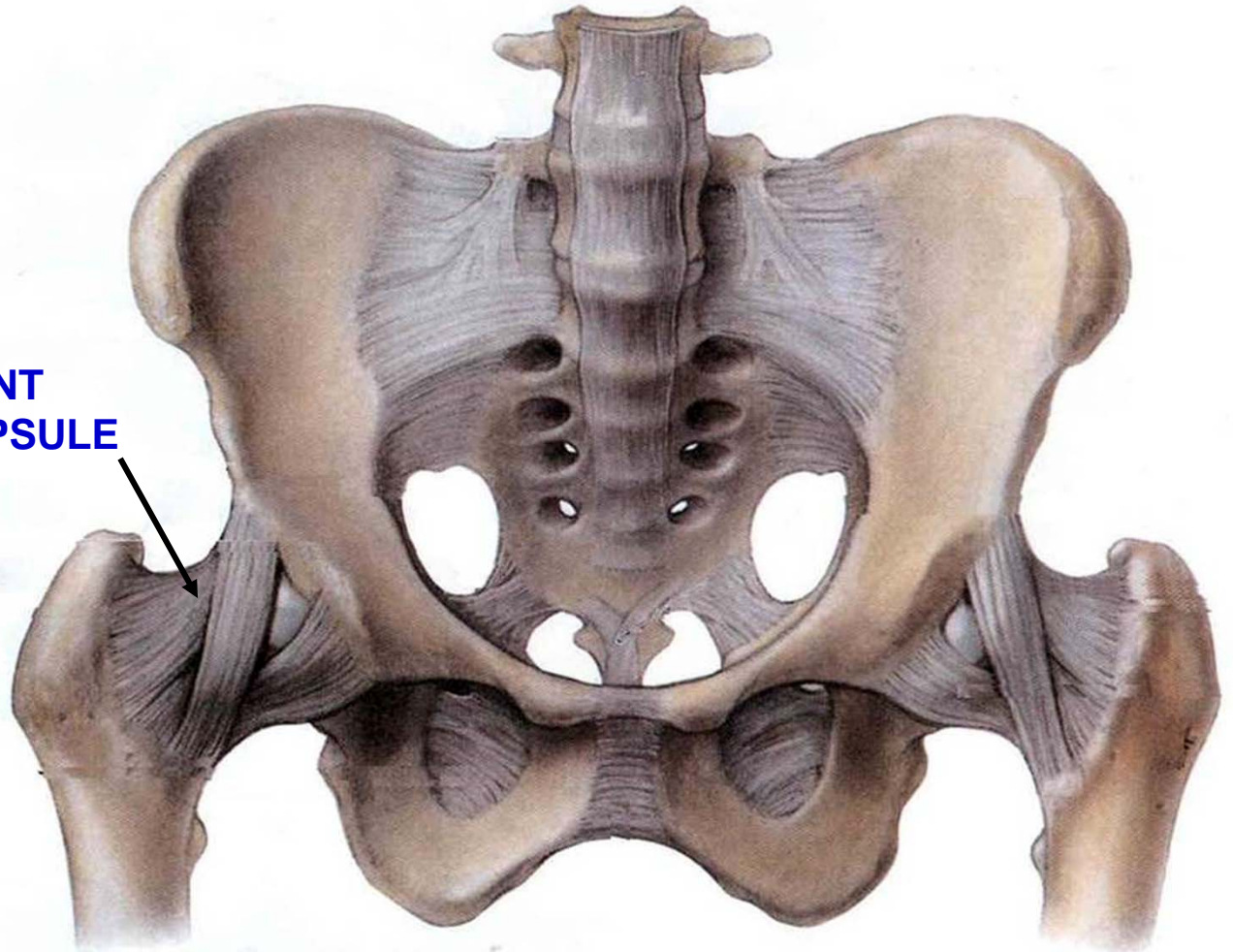
Acetabular labrum bridges the acetabular notch and is strengthened by the Transverse acetabular ligament. Both the articular surfaces of the acetabulum and femur are covered by **hyaline cartilage**.



## JOINT CAPSULE

**Strong fibrous layer encloses joint;** lined by a synovial membrane; has thickened regions (called **Intrinsic ligaments**) that prevent excessive joint movement.

**JOINT CAPSULE**

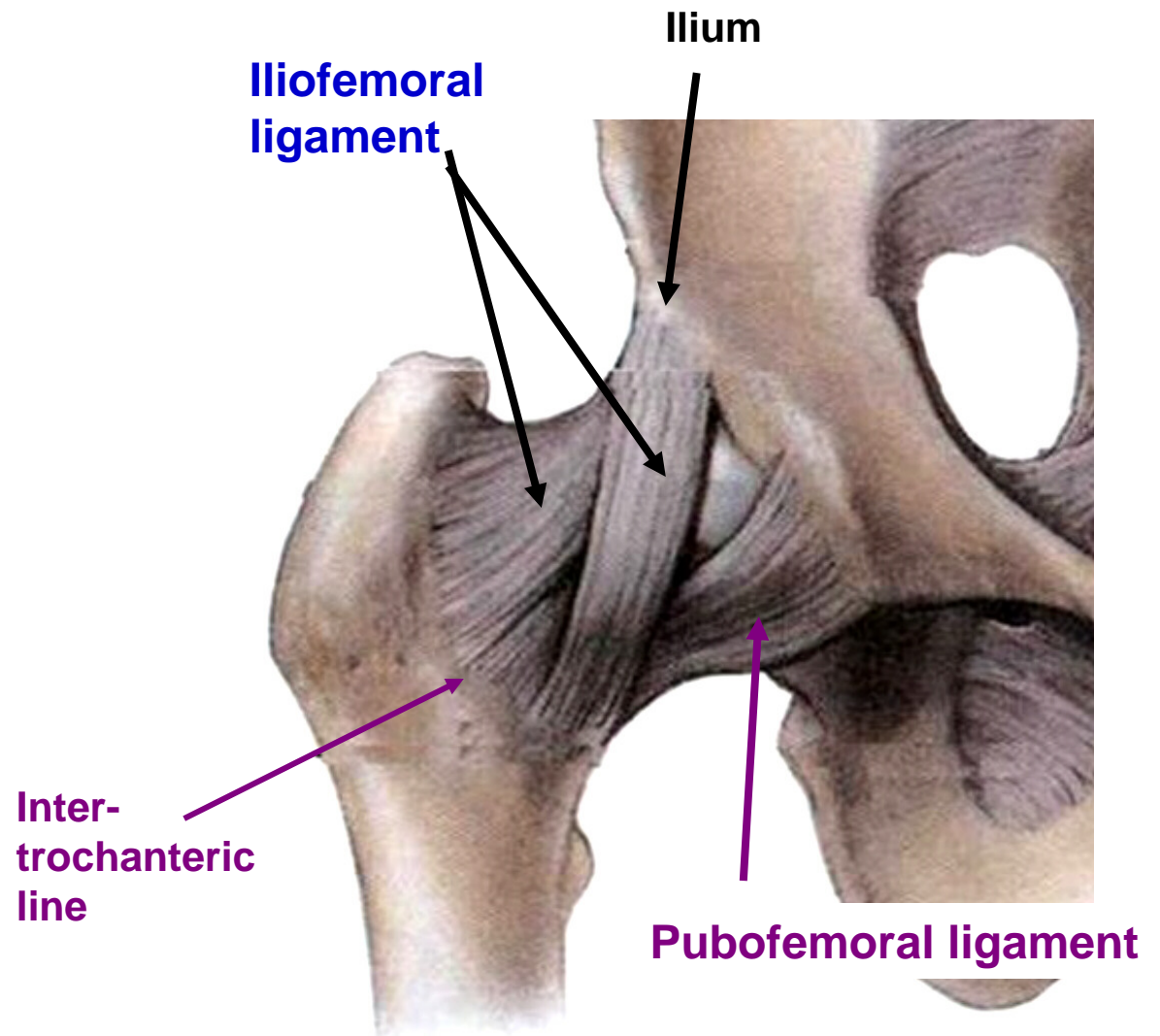




# HIP JOINT - LIGAMENTS

1. **Iliofemoral ligament** - **strongest ligament in body**; shaped like an inverted Y; attached above to **ilium**, below to **intertrochanteric line**; **prevents overextension** of hip.

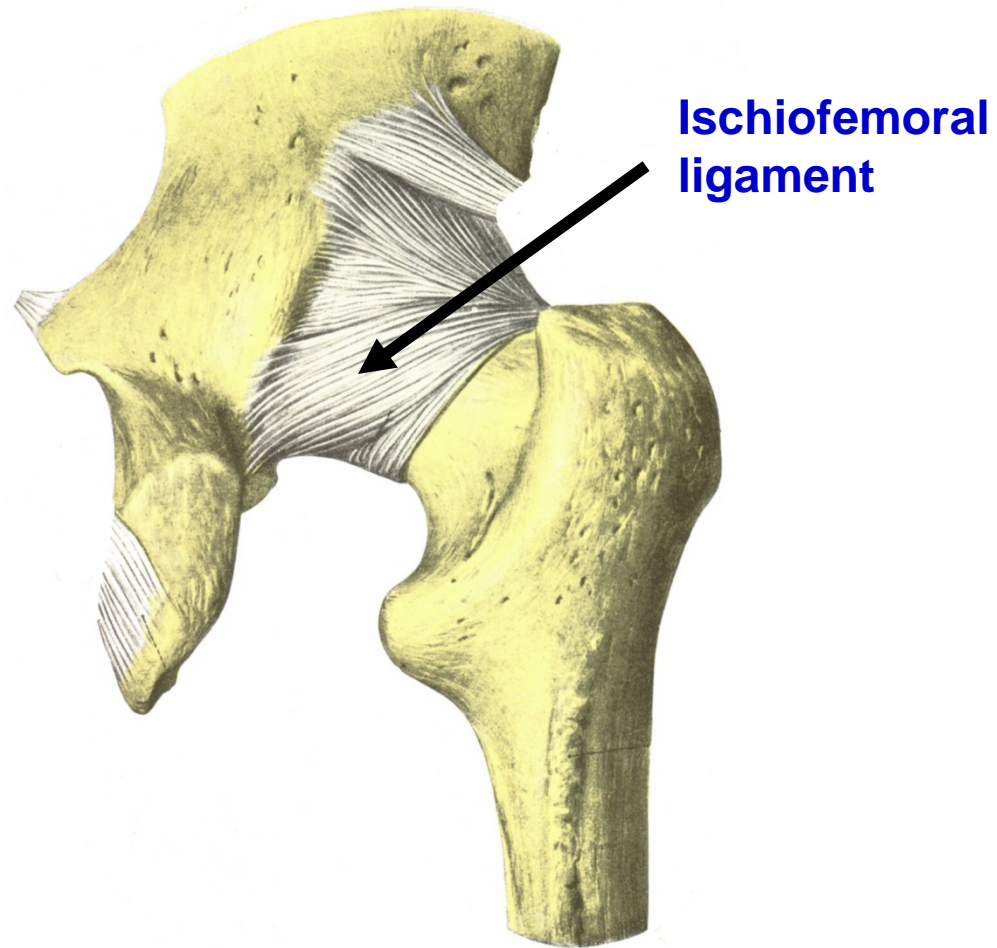
2. **Pubofemoral ligament** - triangular ligament attached to **superior ramus of pubis** and lower part of **intertrochanteric line**; **limits extension and abduction**.





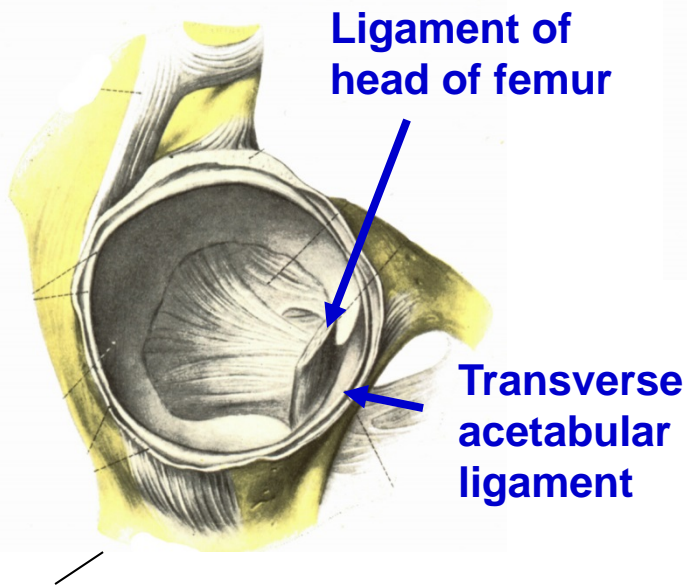
# HIP JOINT - LIGAMENTS

**3. Ischiofemoral ligament** - spiral shaped; attached to **ischium and greater trochanter**; limits extension.

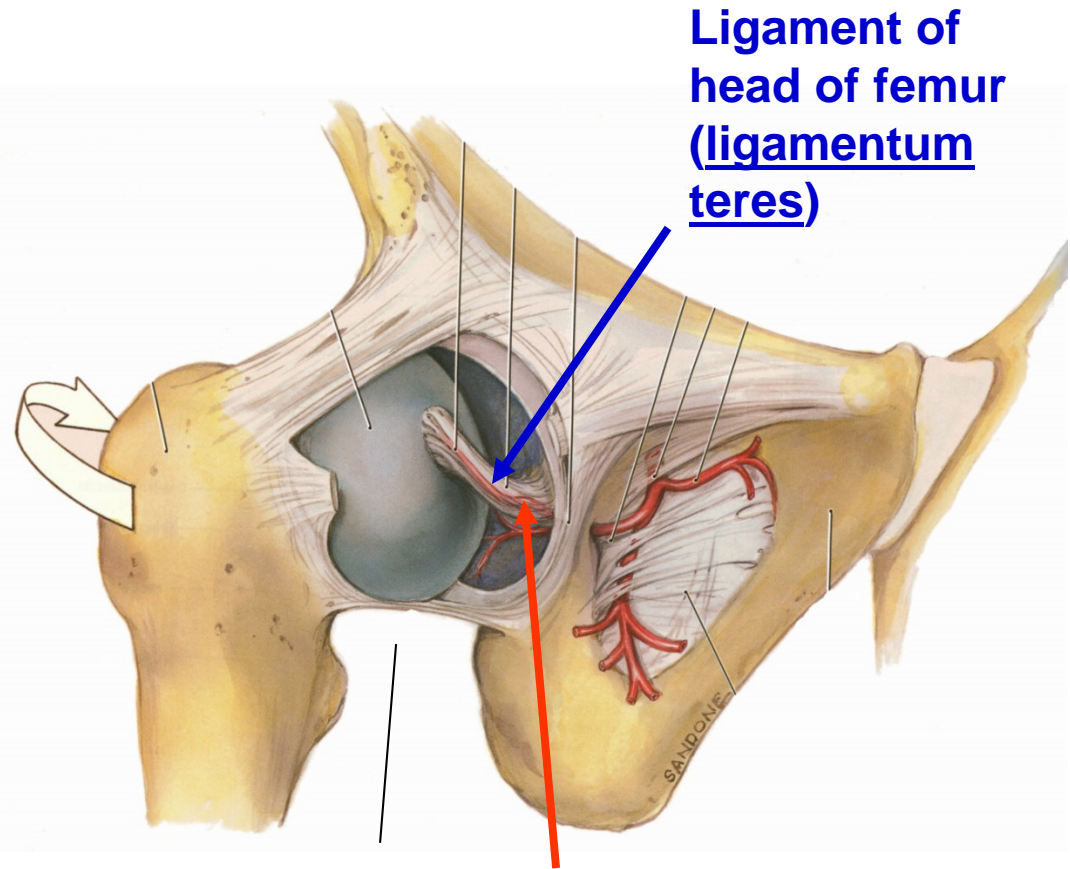


# HIP JOINT - LIGAMENTS

C. **Ligament of head of femur** - inside joint capsule; attached to head of femur at **fovea capitis** and to transverse acetabular ligament; transmits **Artery of ligament of head of femur (branch of Obturator artery)**



look inside joint after remove femur



Ligament of head of femur (ligamentum teres)

open joint capsule

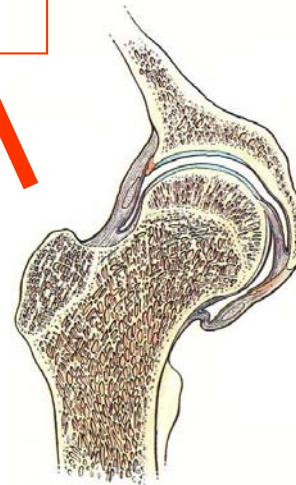
Artery of ligament of head of femur (branch of Obturator artery)

# DISLOCATE HIP JOINT

If congenital,  
dislocate  
**superiorly**

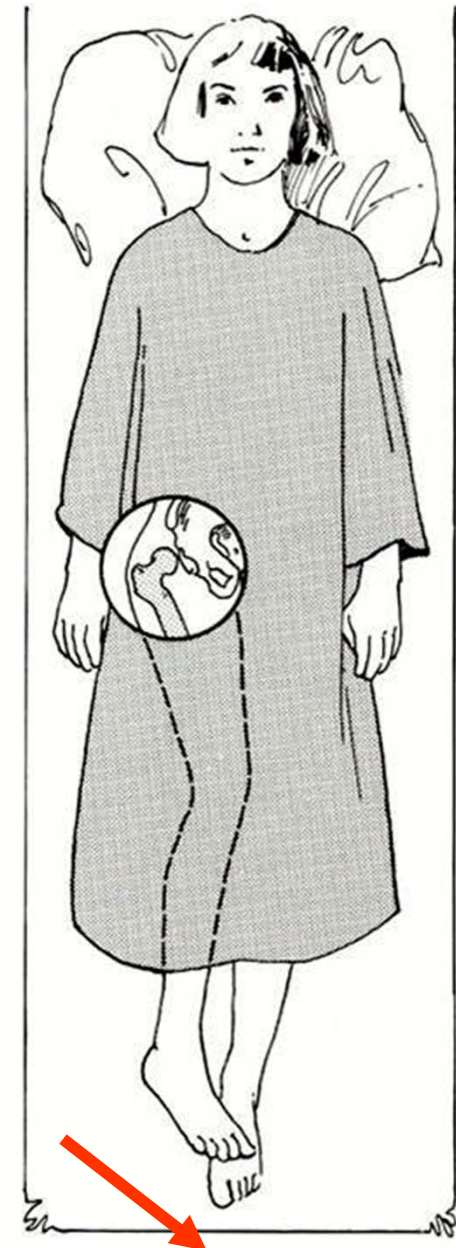
Note: **Dislocation** - traumatic dislocation is rare due to strength of intrinsic ligaments;  
**congenitally, upper lip of acetabulum may fail to form** and head of femur may **dislocate superiorly**; leg is **rotated medially** (action gluteus medius and minimus); also appears to be shorter

If traumatic,  
dislocate **posteriorly**



Leg is **rotated medially** and appears to be shorter

Congenital





epiphyseal  
(growth)  
plate →

femur  
dislocated  
↓

NORMAL

DEVELOPMENTAL  
DISPLASIA

DR. STEEL'S LECTURE

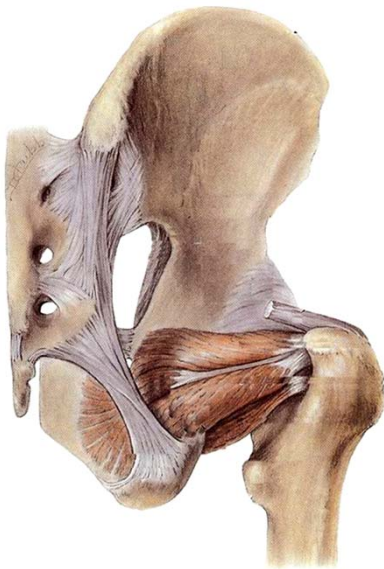
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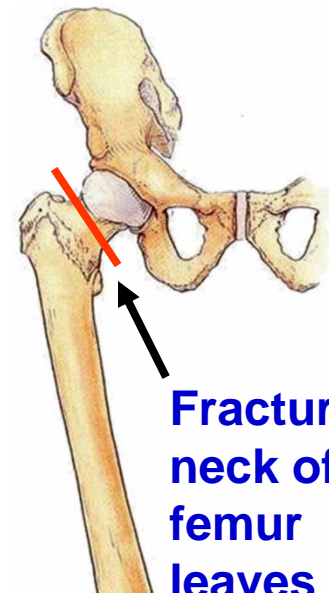
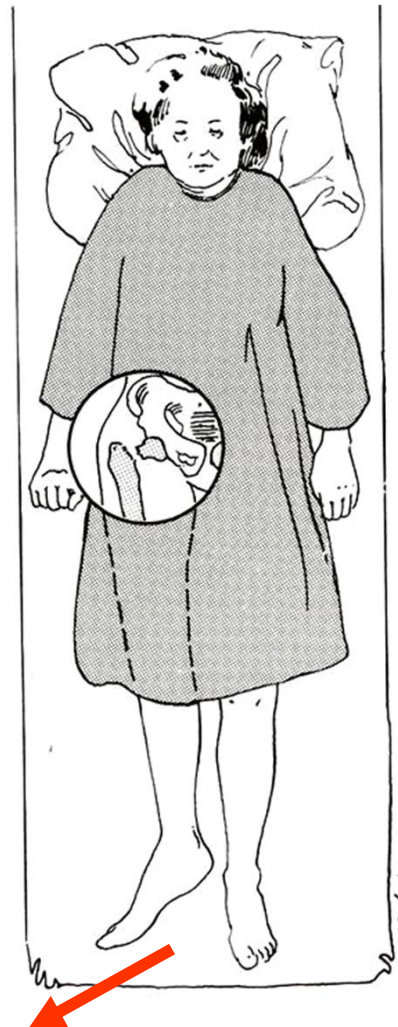
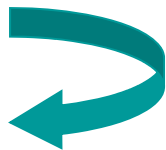
# FRACTURE OF NECK OF FEMUR

Note: **Fracture of neck of femur** - common in the elderly; **leg is rotated laterally** due to action of **gluteus maximus and short rotators of hip.**

**Leg is rotated laterally**



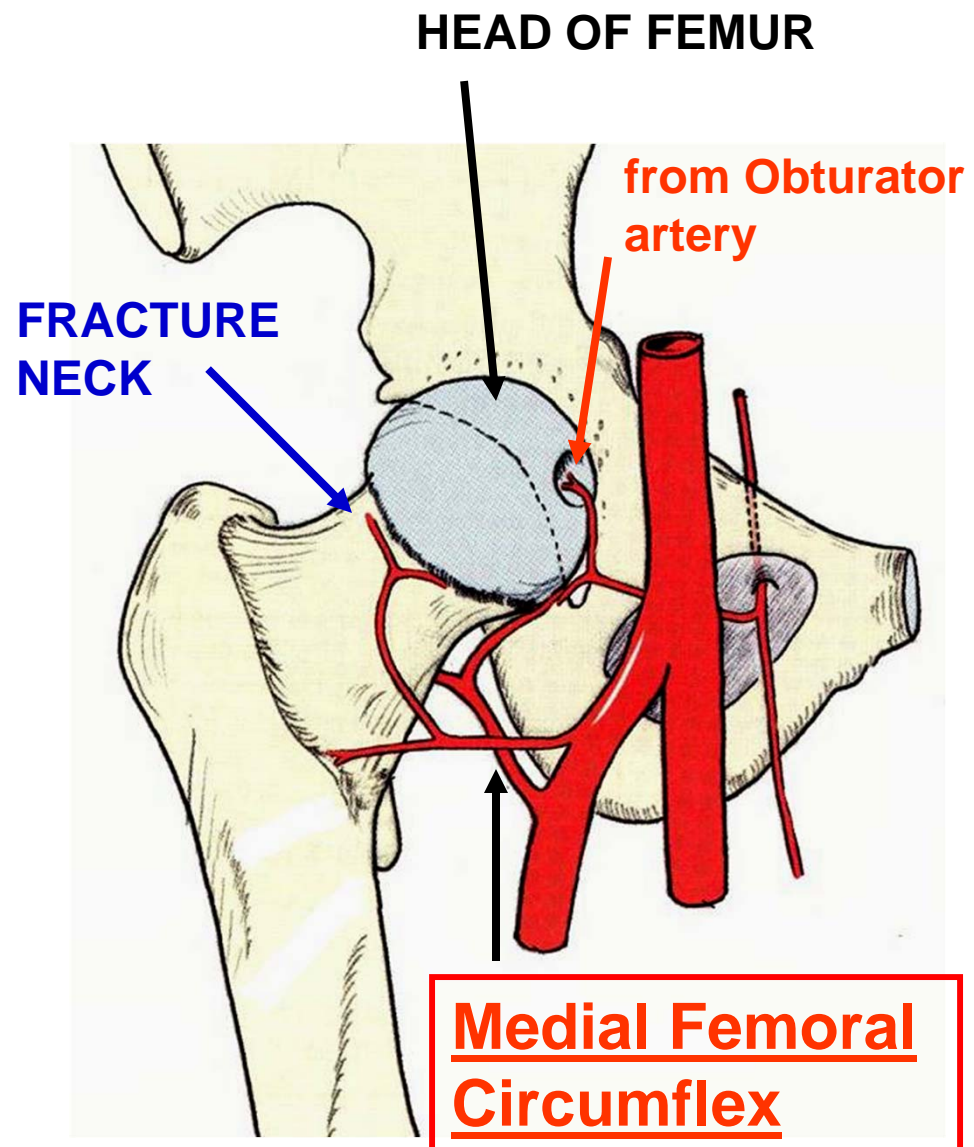
laterally rotate femur



**Fracture of neck of femur leaves Greater Trochanter attached to femur**

## FRACTURE CAN PRODUCE AVASCULAR NECROSIS OF HEAD OF FEMUR

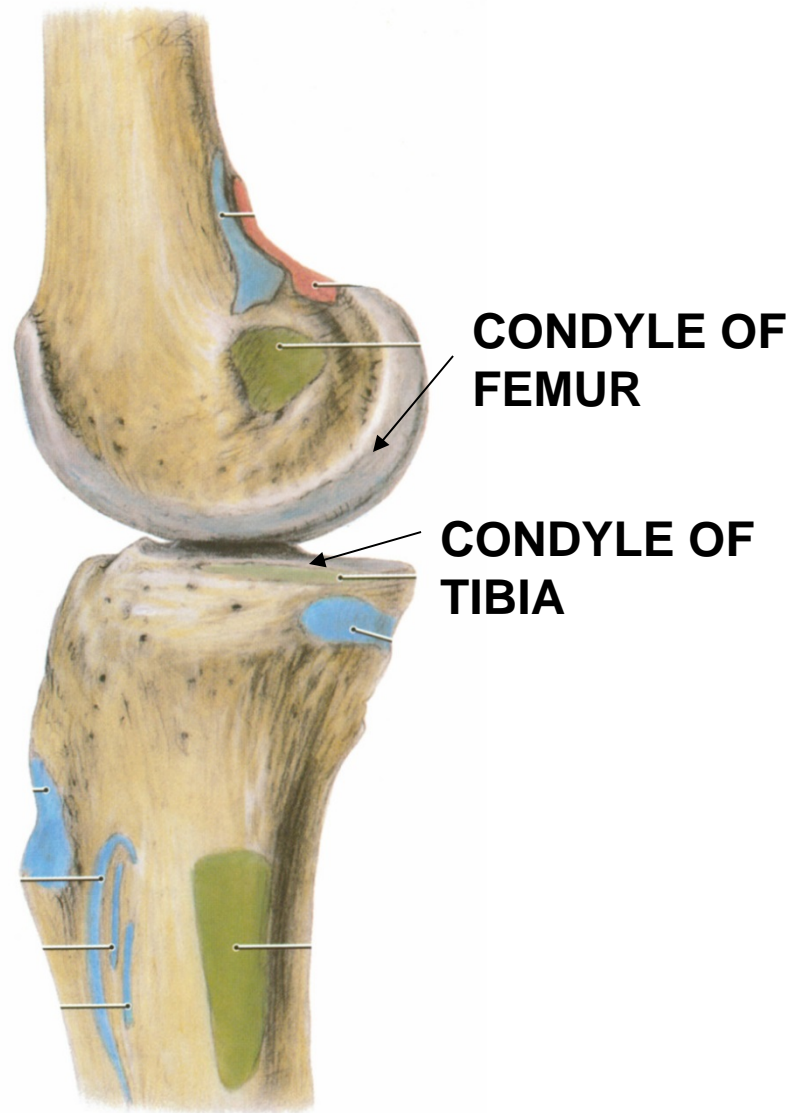
Note: **Fracture of neck of femur** - head and neck of femur receive blood from branches of **Obturator artery** (through ligament of head) and branches of **Medial and lateral femoral circumflex**; after fracture, supply from circumflex arteries is disrupted; if obturator supply is inadequate, **avascular necrosis may occur requiring artificial replacement of head and neck of femur**.



# KNEE JOINT

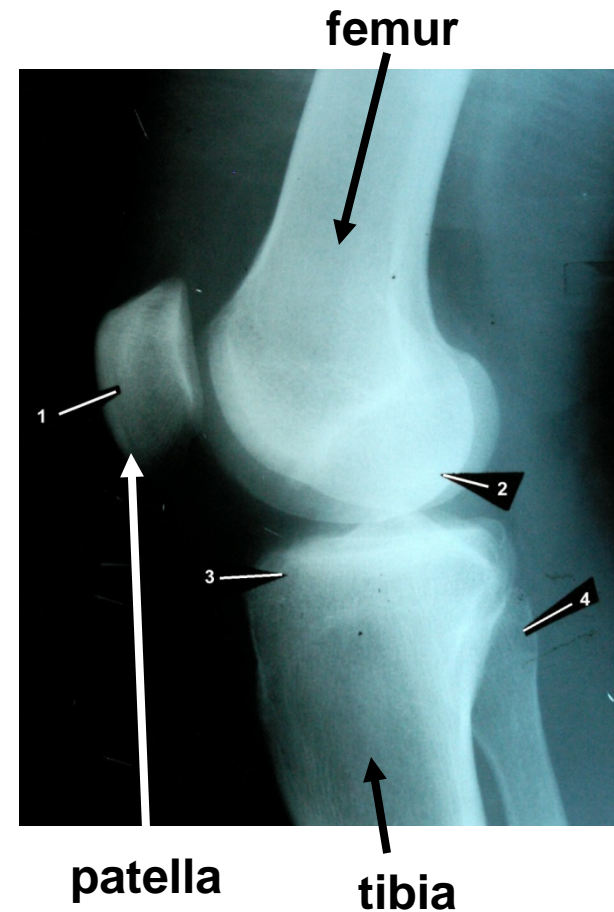
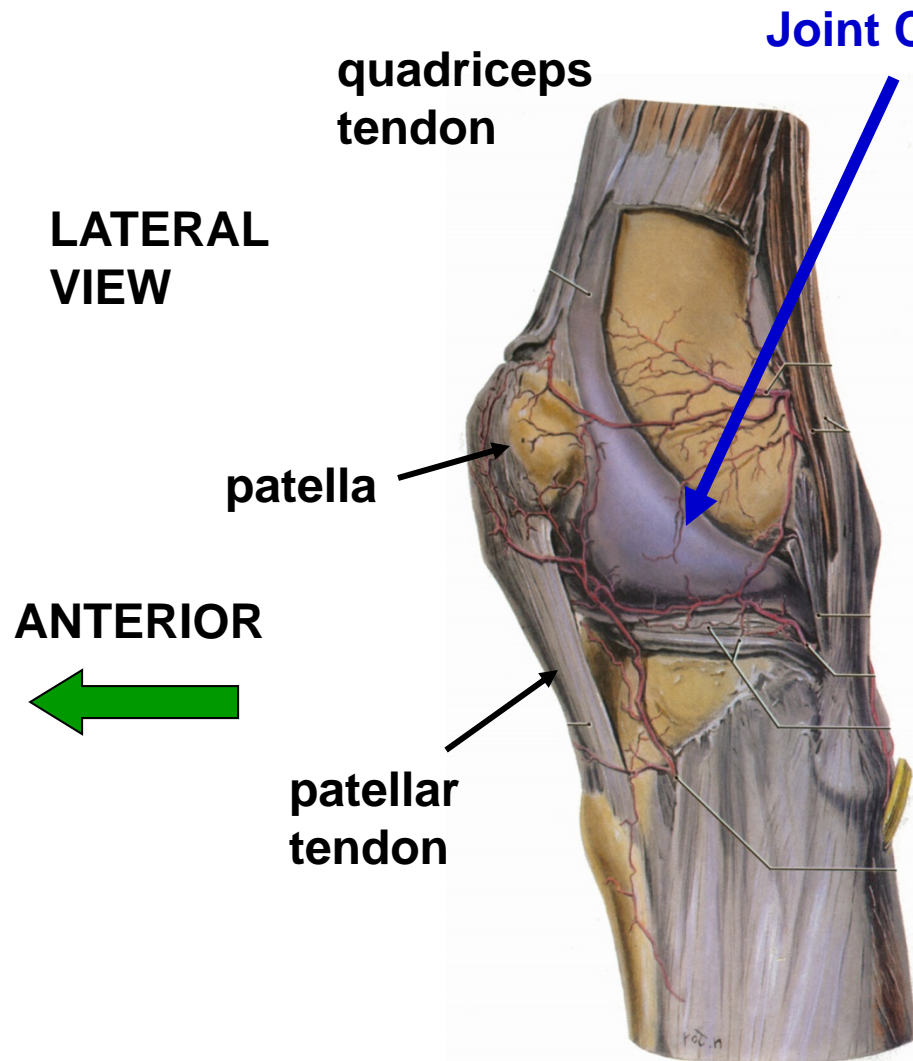
Anatomically a **condyloid synovial joint between condyles of femur and tibia**; functionally an **amazing feat of bioengineering**, acts like a **hinge type joint which also permits limited rotation** (note: fibula is not directly involved in knee articulation).

A. Articular Surfaces - **femur simply against tibia; stability of knee joint dependent upon ligaments.**



# KNEE JOINT

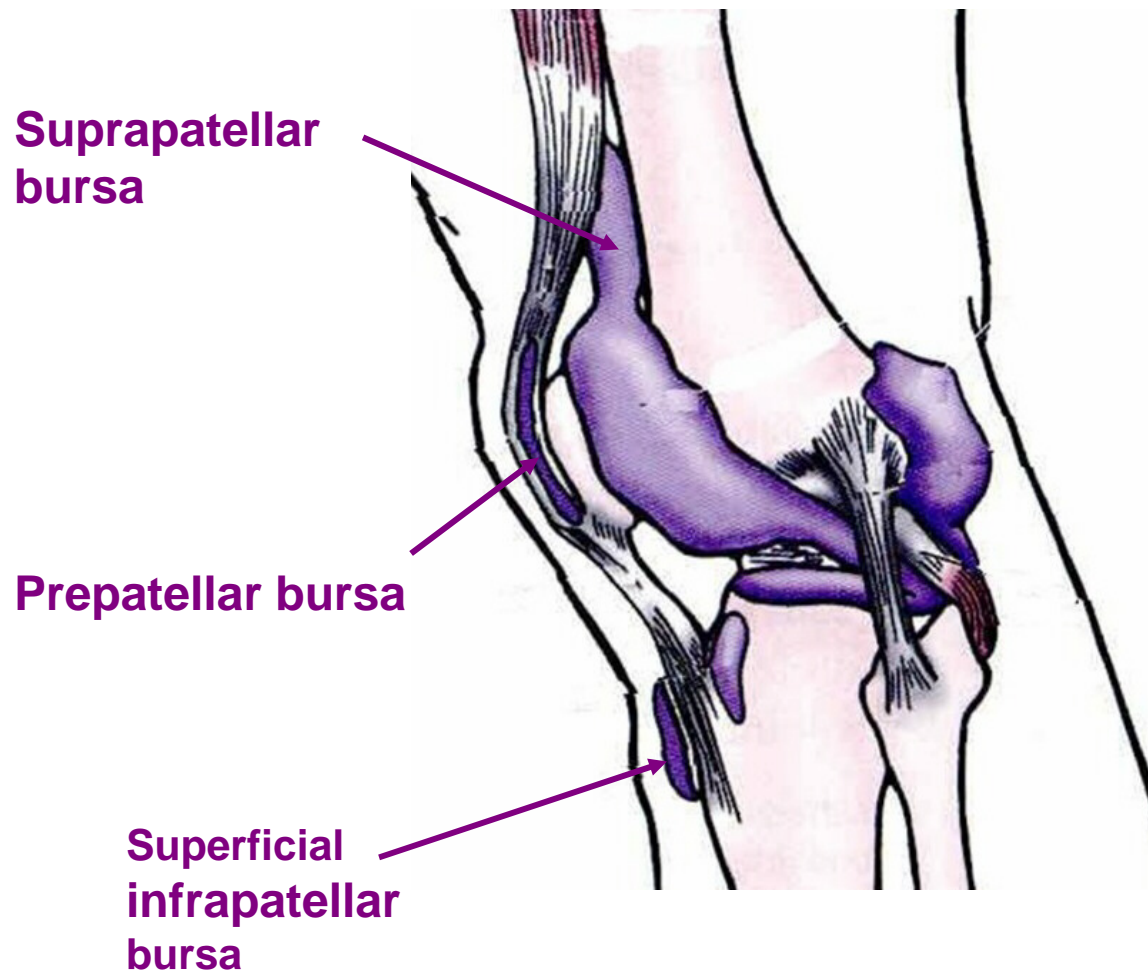
**Joint Capsule** - surrounds posterior, medial and lateral sides of joint but is absent anteriorly; joint covered anteriorly by patellar ligament, patella, and quadriceps tendon.





## BURSAE OF KNEE

**Bursae** - bags of synovial fluid with synovial lining; some connect to main synovial sac of knee joint; become inflamed with repeated contact with ground when kneeling.



1. **Suprapatellar bursa** - outpocketing of synovial cavity of knee joint posterior to quadriceps tendon.
2. **Prepatellar bursa** - in subcutaneous tissue between skin and patella
3. **Superficial infrapatellar bursa** - between skin and patellar ligament.

**SAGITTAL MRI OF  
KNEE JOINT**

SUPRAPATELLAR  
BURSA

FEMUR

**T2 weighted  
MRI image, fluid  
appears bright**

QUADRICEPS  
TENDON

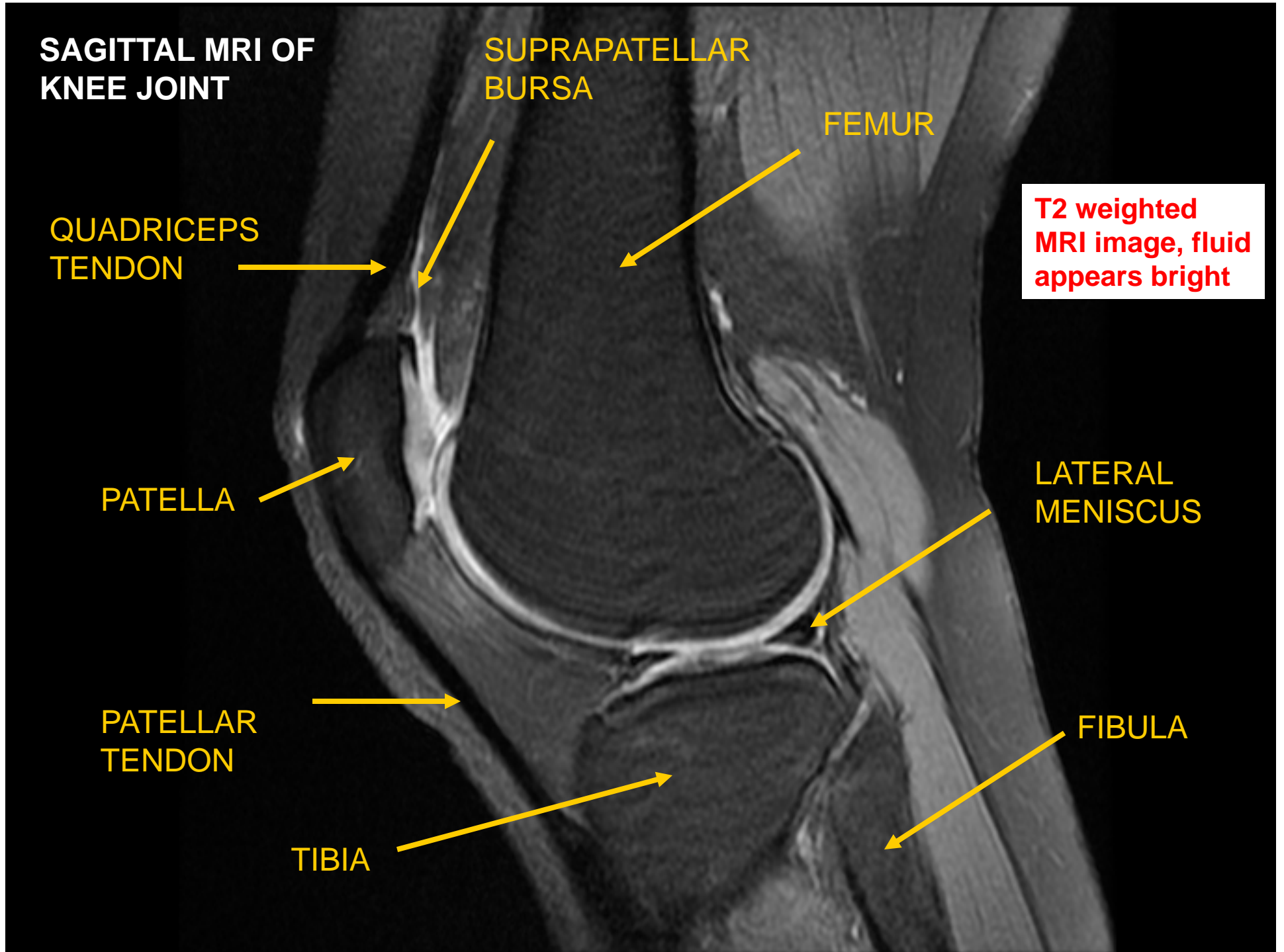
PATELLA

LATERAL  
MENISCUS

PATELLAR  
TENDON

FIBULA

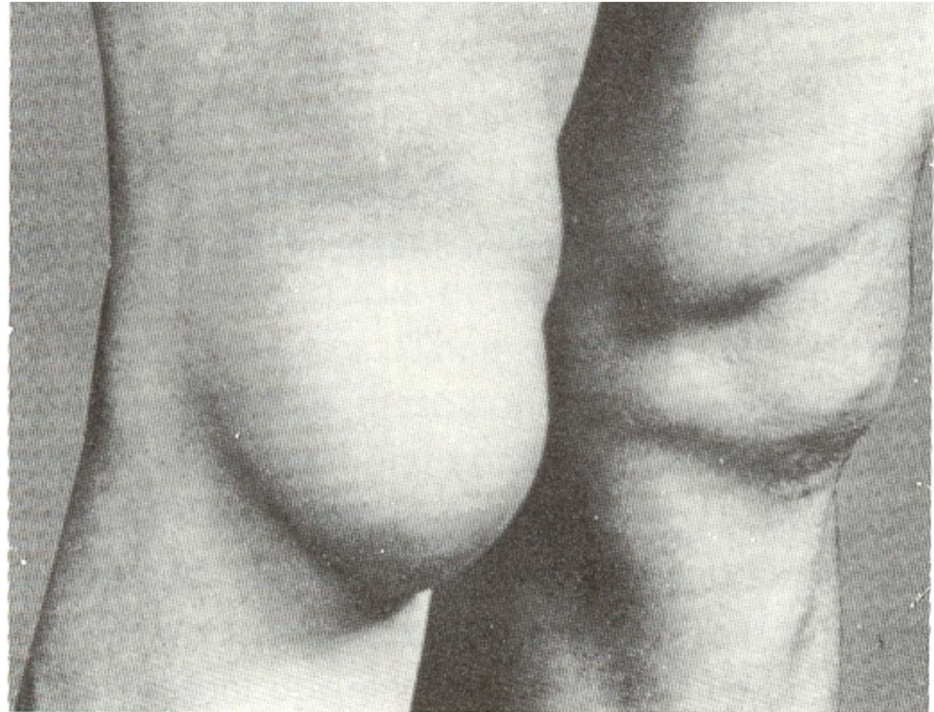
TIBIA



## BURSAE OF KNEE CAN BECOME INFLAMMED

2. **Prepatellar bursa** in subcutaneous tissue between skin and patella; **inflammation is called HOUSEMAID'S KNEE.**

3. **Superficial infrapatellar bursa** between skin and patellar ligament; **inflammation is called CLERGYMAN'S KNEE.**



Inflammation of Prepatellar bursa - **HOUSEMAIDS KNEE**



## EXTRACAPSULAR LIGAMENTS

1. **Patellar ligament** - attached above to patella, below to tubercle of tibia.

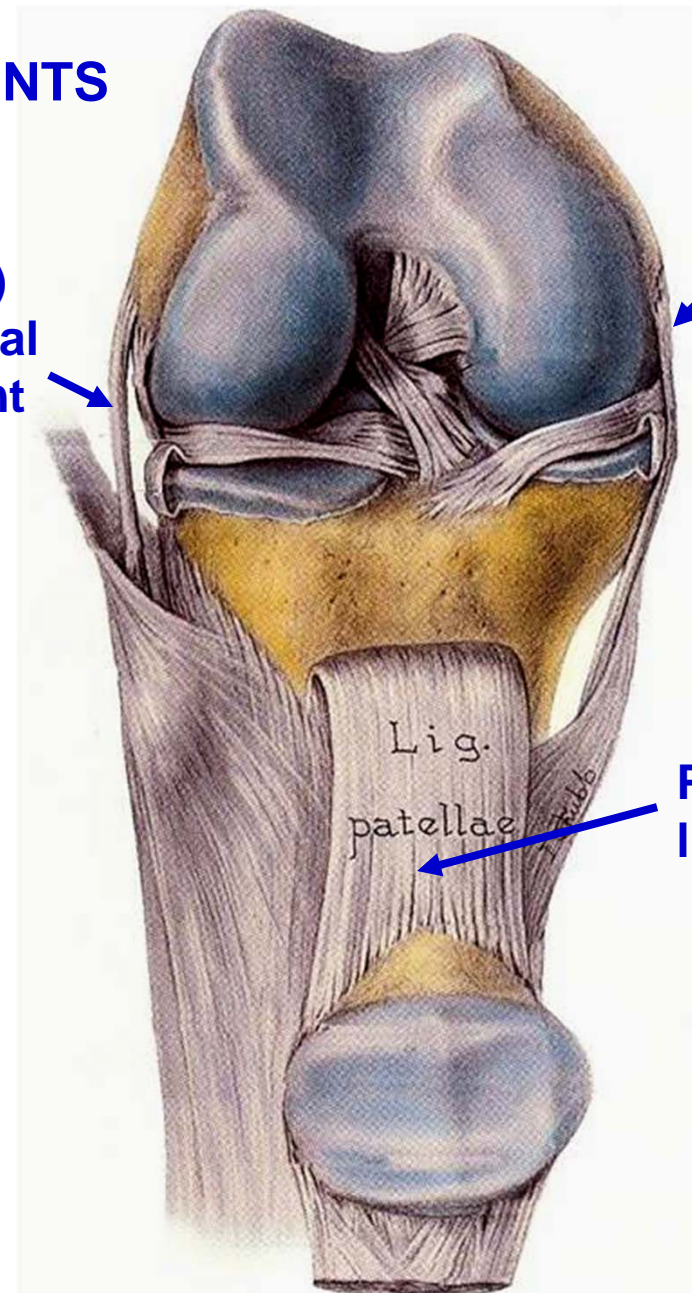
2. **Lateral (fibular) collateral ligament** - attached above to **lateral condyle of femur**, below to **head of fibula** (**prevents movement of tibia medially**). There is a **space between the ligament and the lateral meniscus** (posteriorly, popliteus is in this space)

3. **Medial (tibial) collateral ligament** - attached above to **medial condyle of femur**, below to **medial side of tibia**; **prevents movement of the tibia laterally**.

Lateral  
(fibular)  
collateral  
ligament

Medial  
(tibial)  
collateral  
ligament

Patellar  
ligament



VIEW RIGHT JOINT ANTERIORLY WITH QUADRICEPS TENDON CUT AND PATELLA REFLECTED DOWN

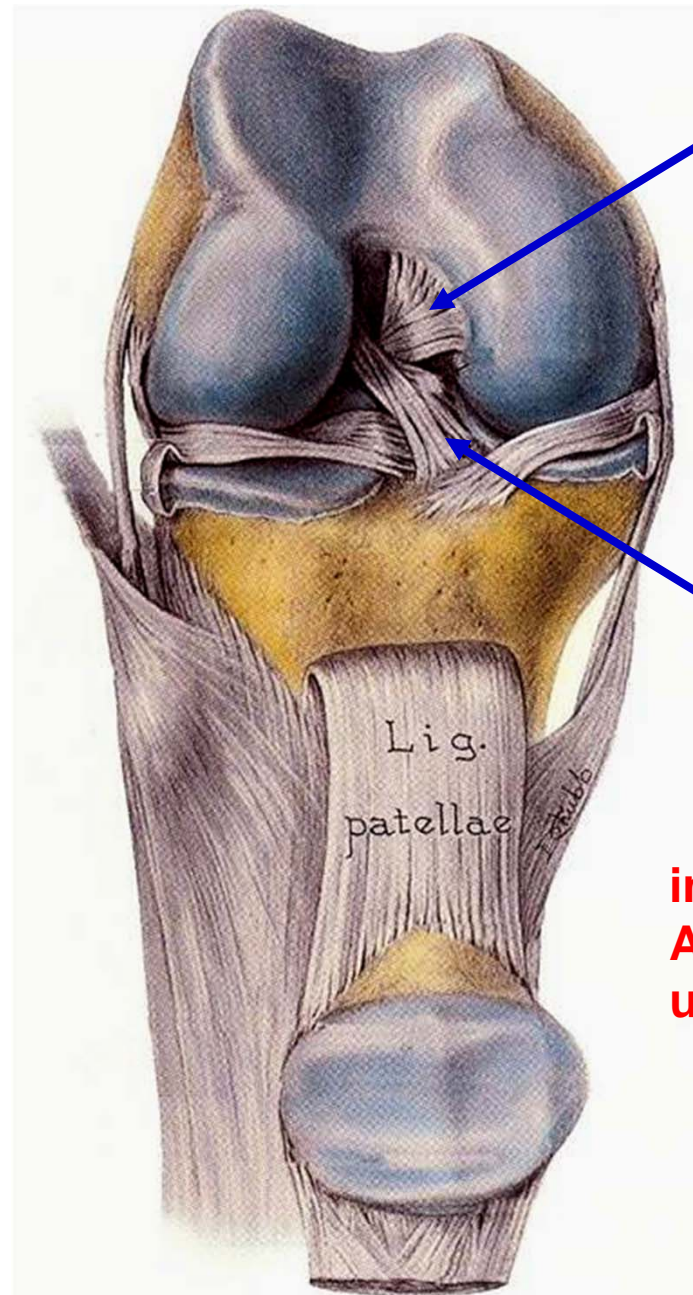


## INTRACAPSULAR LIGAMENTS

located deep in joint.

1. **Anterior cruciate ligament** - attached between condyles of tibia, anterior to intercondylar eminence; **passes upward, laterally, and posteriorly to attach to medial side of lateral femoral condyle**; **prevents movement of tibia anteriorly.**

2. **Posterior cruciate ligament** attached between condyles of tibia; attaches to **lateral side of medial femoral condyle**; **prevents movement of tibia posteriorly**

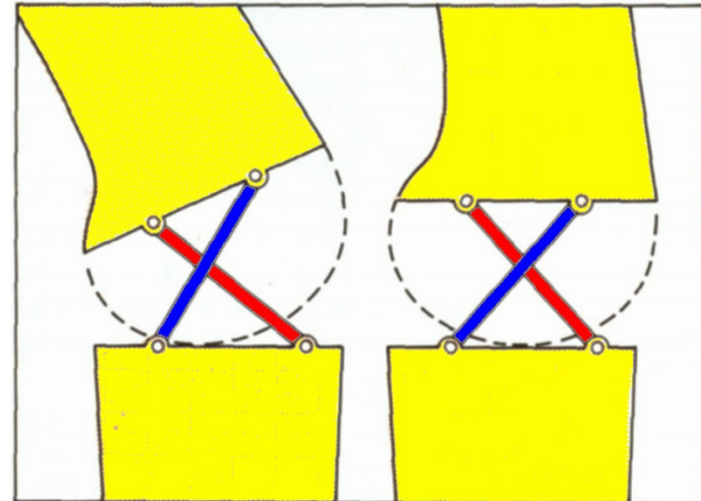
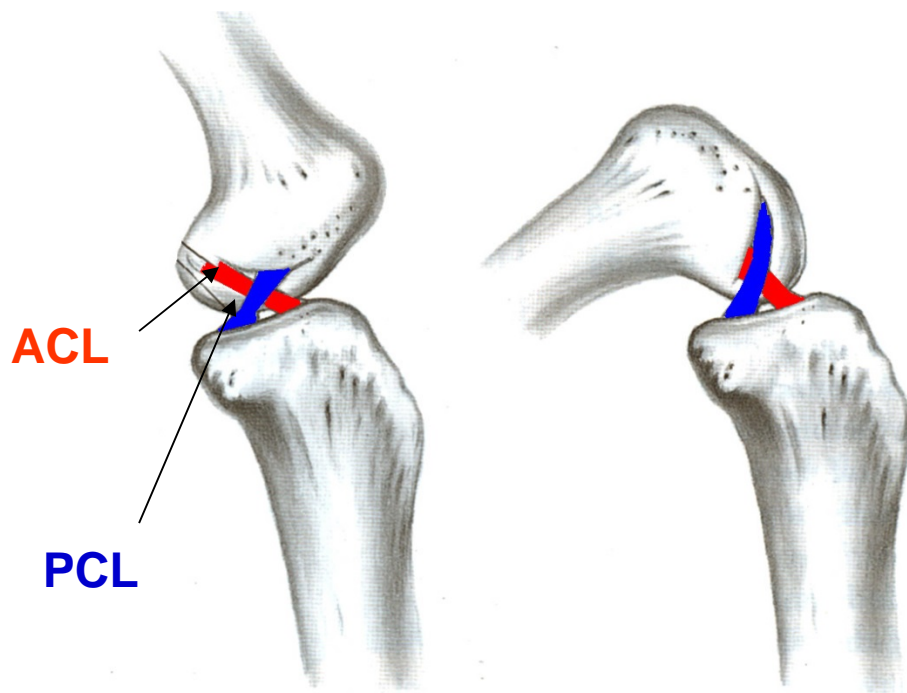


**Posterior  
cruciate  
ligament**

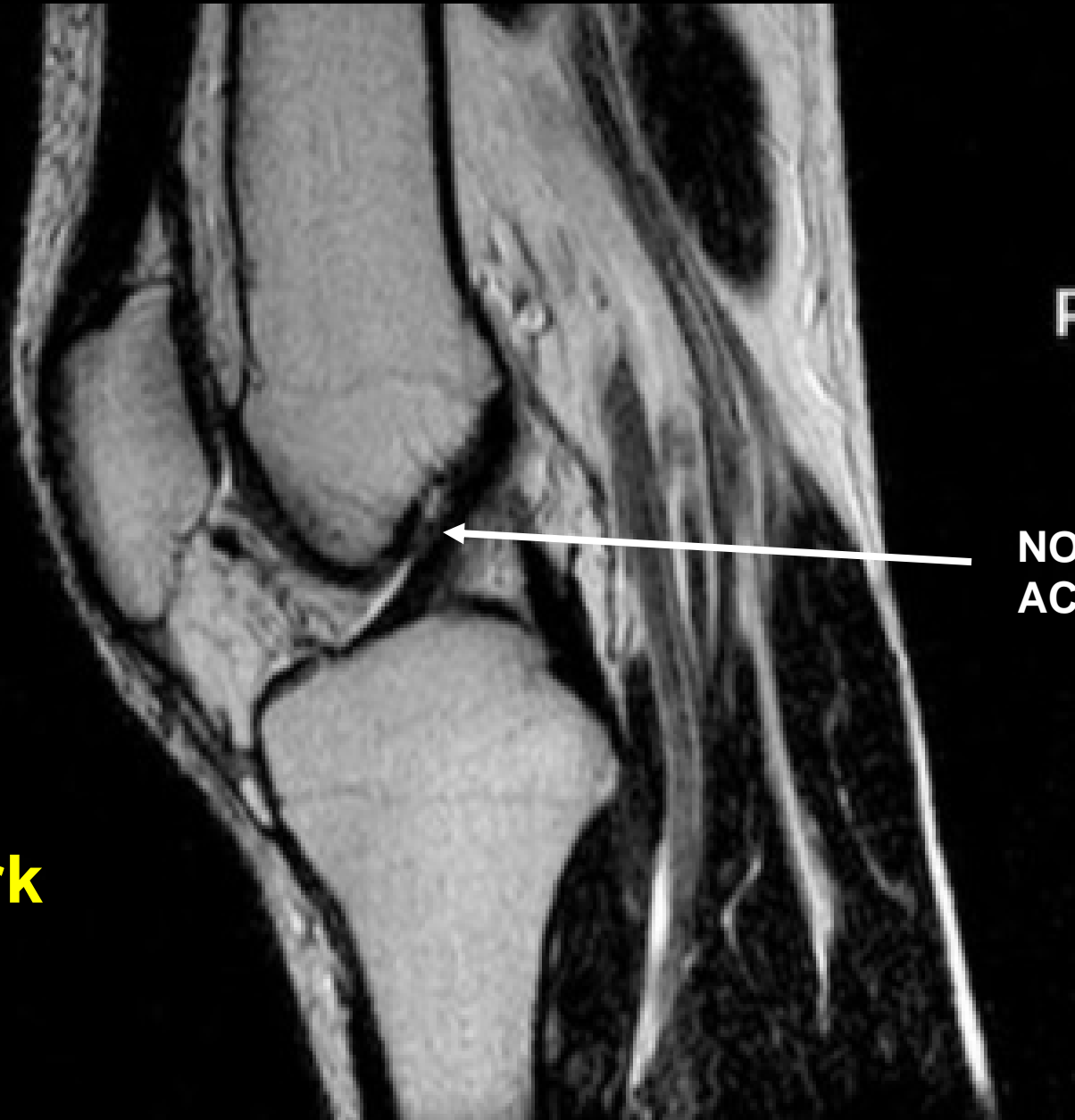
**Anterior  
cruciate  
ligament**

**in anterior view,  
ACL passes  
up and back**

## ANTERIOR AND POSTERIOR CRUCIATE LIGAMENTS ALLOW FOR FREE FLEXION AND EXTENSION OF KNEE



**MRI OF  
KNEE  
JOINT:  
NORMAL**



**NORMAL  
ACL**

**What  
landmark  
helps  
identify  
ACL?**

# MRI OF KNEE JOINT: ACL TEAR

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PEDIATRIC RESIDENT



**NORMAL ACL**



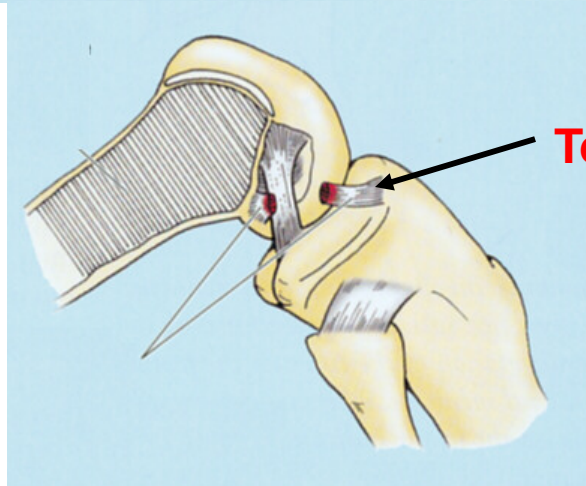
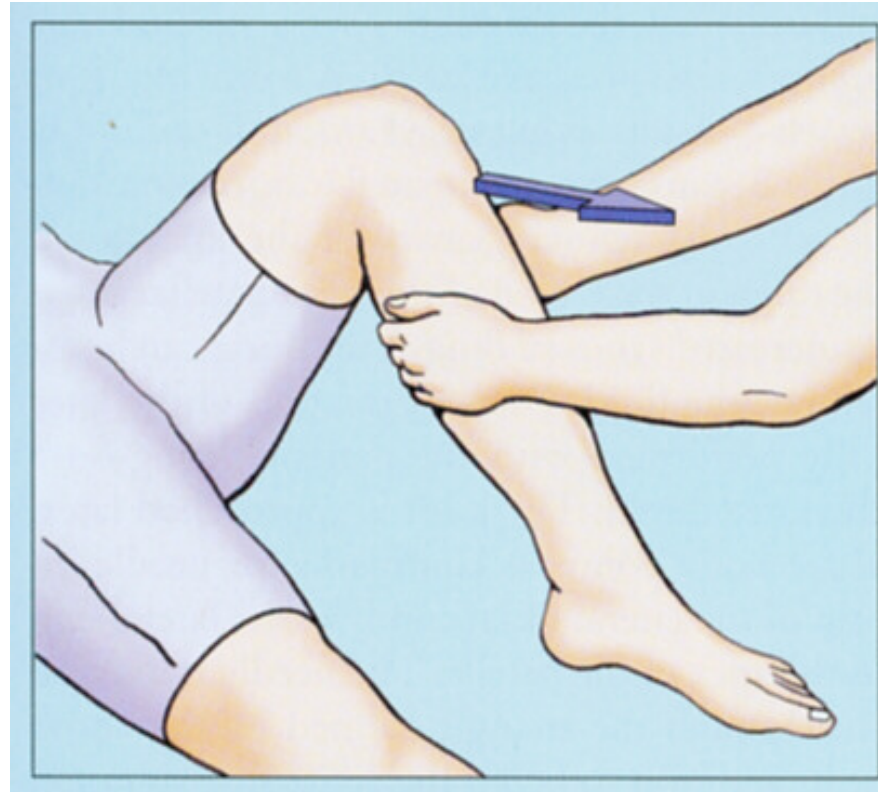
**TORN ACL**



## TESTS FOR TEARS IN CRUCIATE LIGAMENTS

### ANTERIOR DRAWER SIGN

Tear **Anterior  
Cruciate  
Ligament** -  
can **draw  
tibia  
anteriorly**.

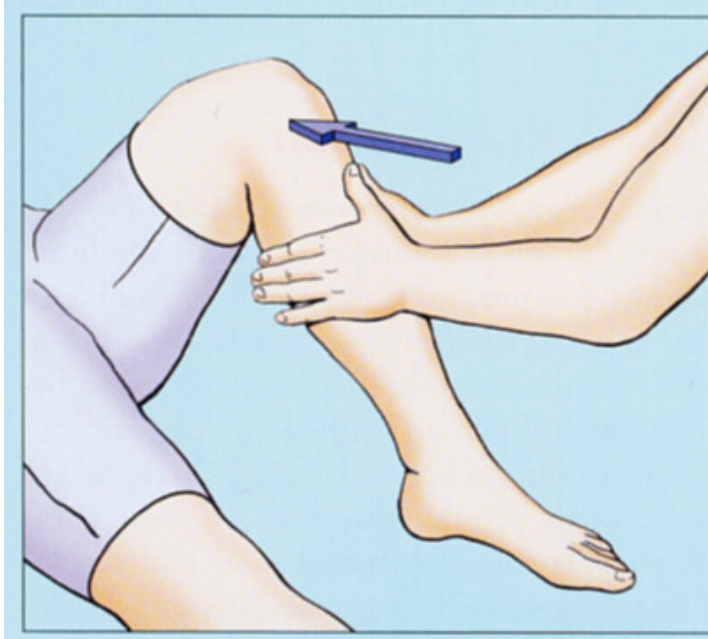


**Tear Anterior Cruciate**

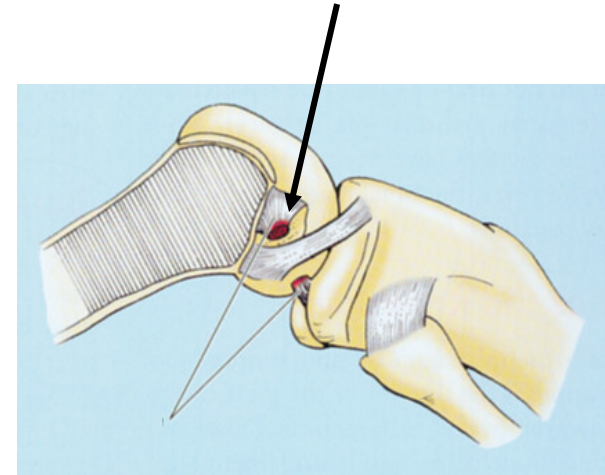
## TESTS FOR TEARS IN CRUCIATE LIGAMENTS

### POSTERIOR DRAWER SIGN

**Tear  
Posterior  
Cruciate  
Ligament -  
can push  
tibia  
posteriorly**



### Tear Posterior Cruciate

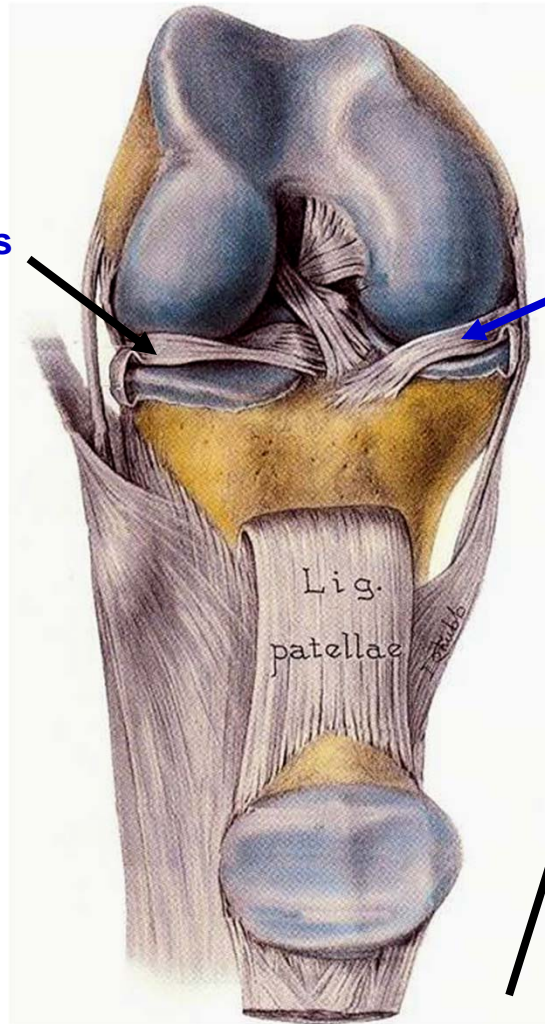


## KNEE JOINT - MENISCI

**Menisci** - "C" shaped cartilages that are attached to inner side of joint capsule

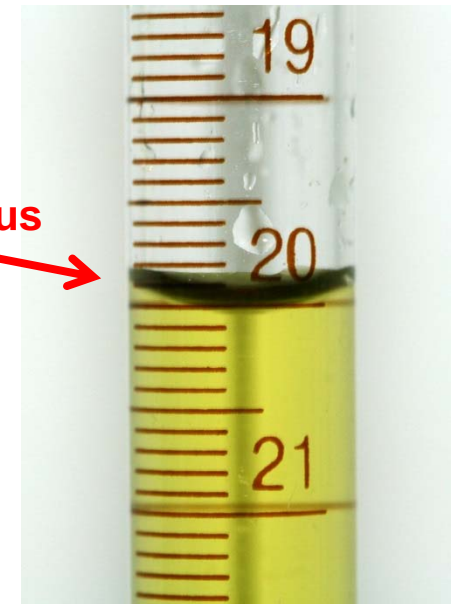
1. **Medial meniscus** - attached between condyles; also firmly attached to medial (tibial) collateral ligament; relatively fixed in joint.
2. **Lateral meniscus** - more movable than medial meniscus since it is **NOT attached to fibular collateral ligament**

Lateral meniscus



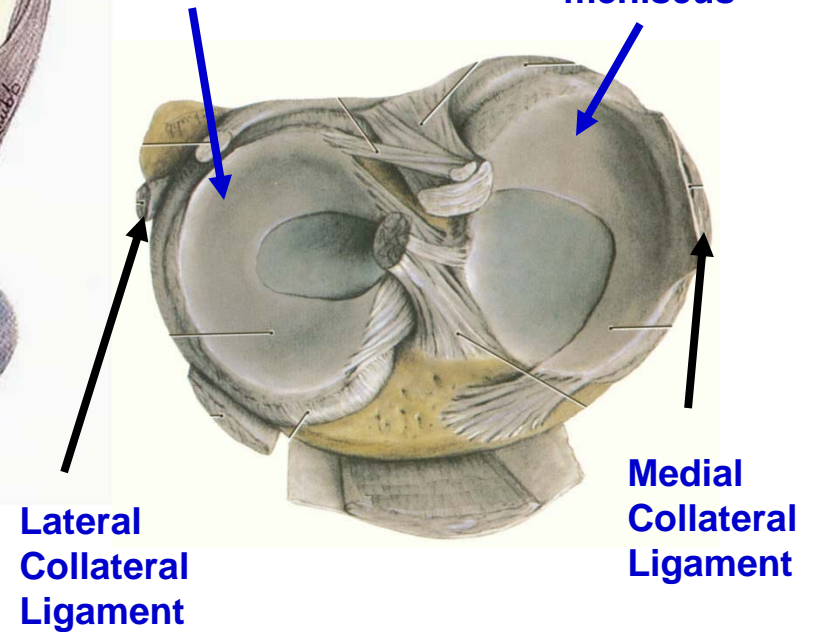
Medial meniscus

Meniscus



Lateral meniscus

Medial meniscus

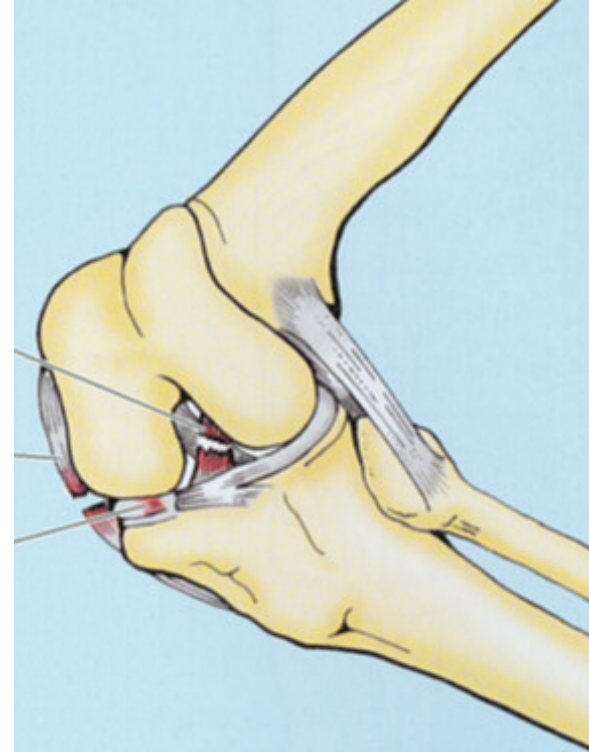
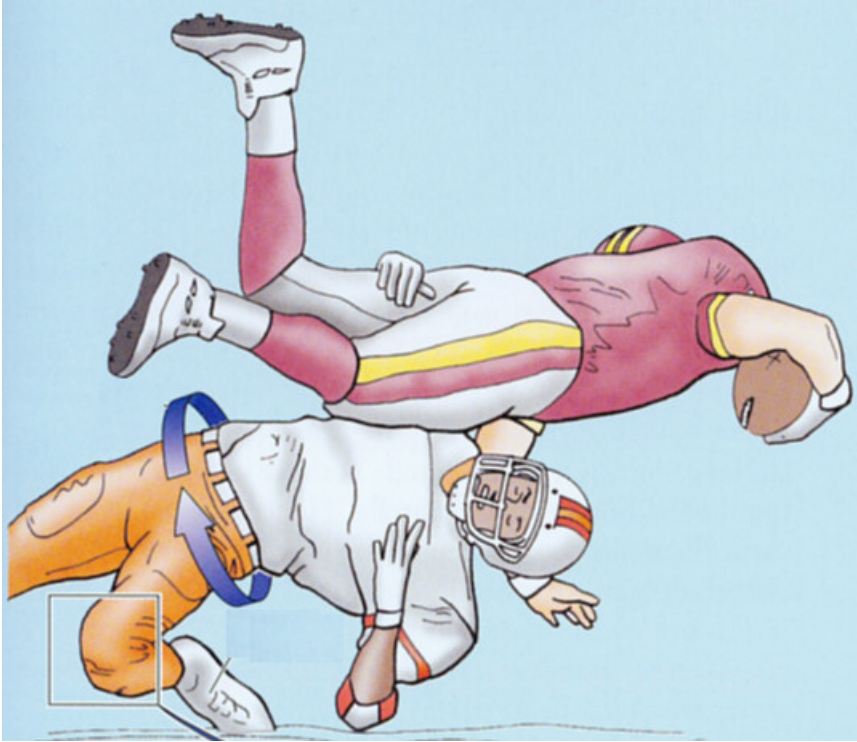


Lateral Collateral Ligament

Medial Collateral Ligament



## TERRIBLE TRIAD OF KNEE JOINT



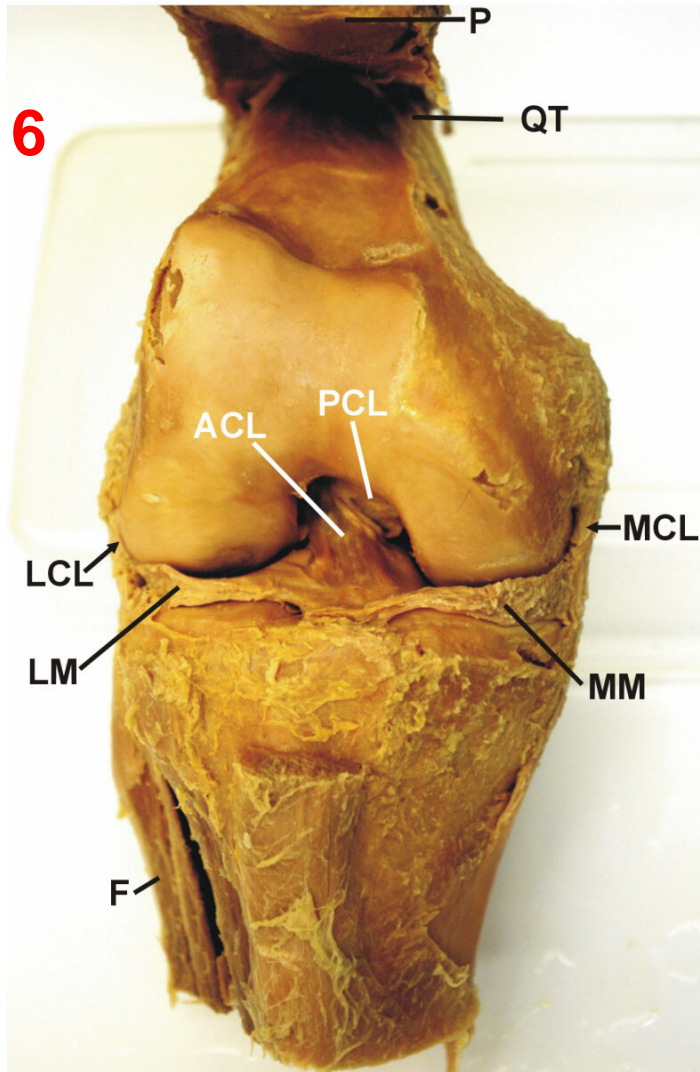
Clinical Note: **Terrible Triad of the Knee joint**: Knee joint is stable in extension but ligaments are slackened by joint flexion; **blow to lateral side** of the knee when the leg is flexed (as can occur in football tackles) or rotate and force lateral movement of body; can tear **Tibial (Medial) collateral ligament, Anterior cruciate ligament and Medial meniscus** (because it is firmly fixed to the medial collateral ligament).



# PROSECTIONS OF KNEE JOINT

## DISSECT KNEE JOINT

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## ARTHROPLASTY: ARTIFICIAL KNEE

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**DR. ALI OLIASHIRAZI: TOTAL KNEE REPLACEMENT**

**BEFORE**



**AFTER**

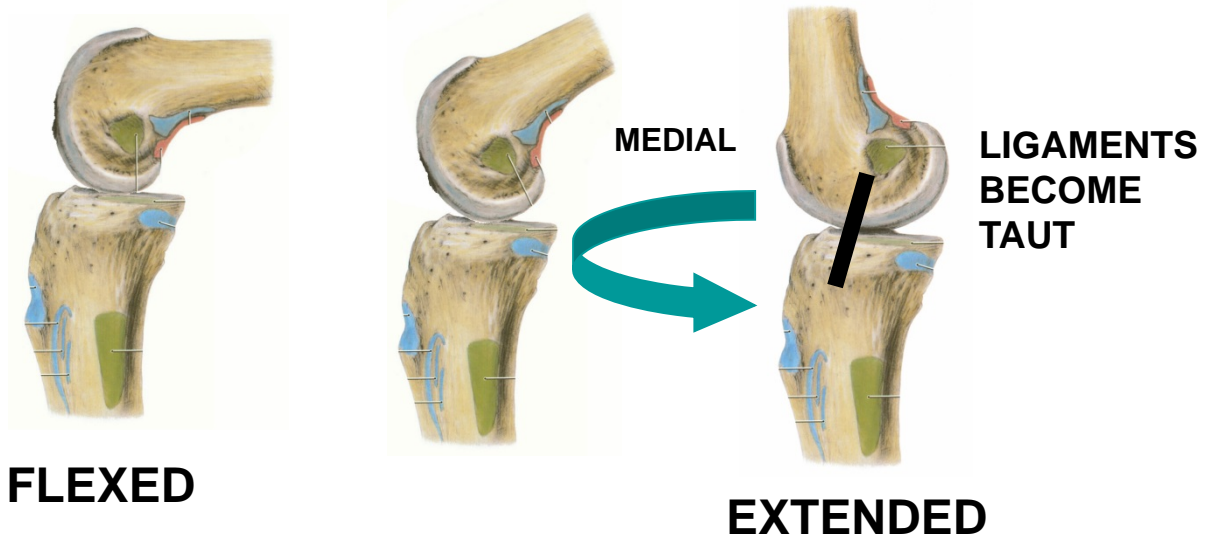


## LOCKING AND UNLOCKING KNEE JOINT

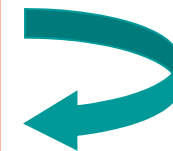
### Note: LOCKING AND UNLOCKING KNEE JOINT

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**Femur rotates medially during last 30 degrees of extension, due to shape of condyles**



**POPLITEUS ROTATES FEMUR LATERALLY**



**LATERAL**

**POP-LIT'-EUS UNLOCKS KNEE WHEN FLEX KNEE**

# JOINTS BETWEEN TIBIA AND FIBULA

Bones linked by ligaments.

A. **Interosseus membrane** - broad sheet of connective tissue links shafts of tibia and fibula; has gap for Anterior Tibial artery and vein.

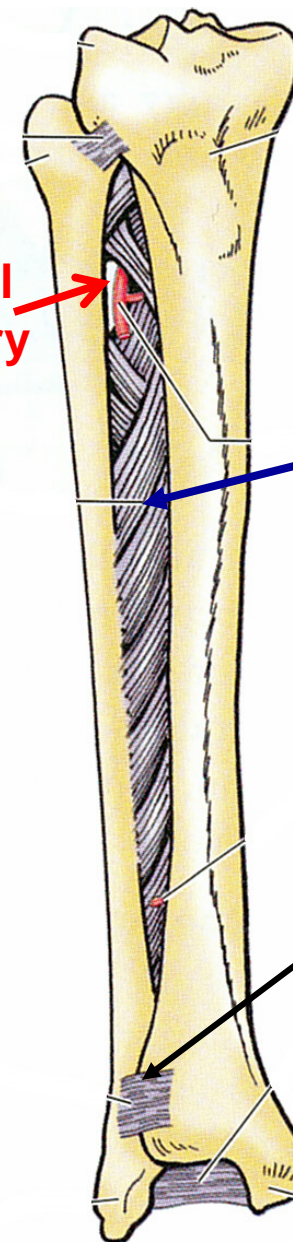
B. **Inferior articulation - Anterior and Posterior Inferior tibio-fibular ligaments** join bones above ankle joint.



SEE PROSECTION 298

High ankle sprain - cause usually foot rotation

Ant. Tibial Artery



type of joint = **SYNDESMOSIS** - sheet of connective tissue between bones

Interosseus membrane - CT fibers oriented to pull up on fibula

Anterior Inferior tibio-fibular ligaments

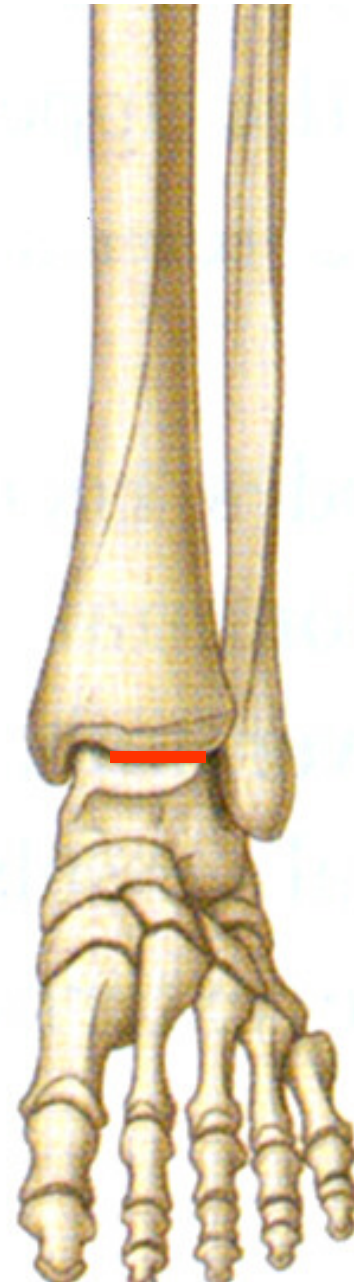
HIGH ANKLE SPRAIN



**ANKLE JOINT:  
DORSIFLEXION/PLANTAR  
FLEXION**

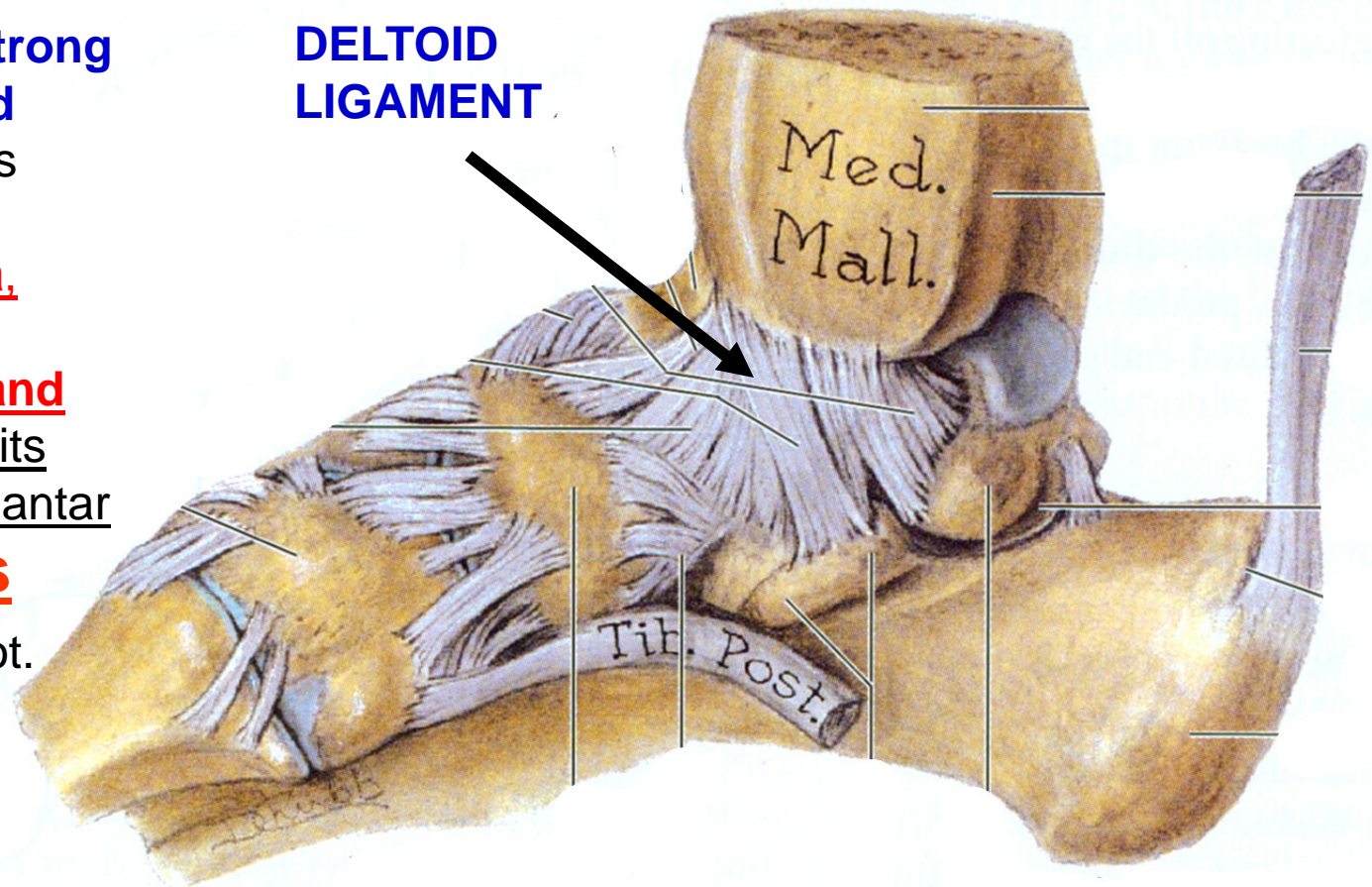
**Joint is between  
talus inferiorly and  
the tibia and fibula  
superiorly**, capsule  
surrounds joint:

Uniaxial, synovial  
**hinge type joint;**  
**permits dorsiflexion  
and plantar flexion**  
**(not inversion or  
eversion** which occurs  
at joints between  
tarsal bones).



# ANKLE JOINT: LIGAMENTS

**Medial (Deltoid)**  
**ligament** - very strong  
triangular shaped  
ligament; attaches  
above to **medial**  
**malleolus of tibia,**  
below to **medial**  
**surface of talus and**  
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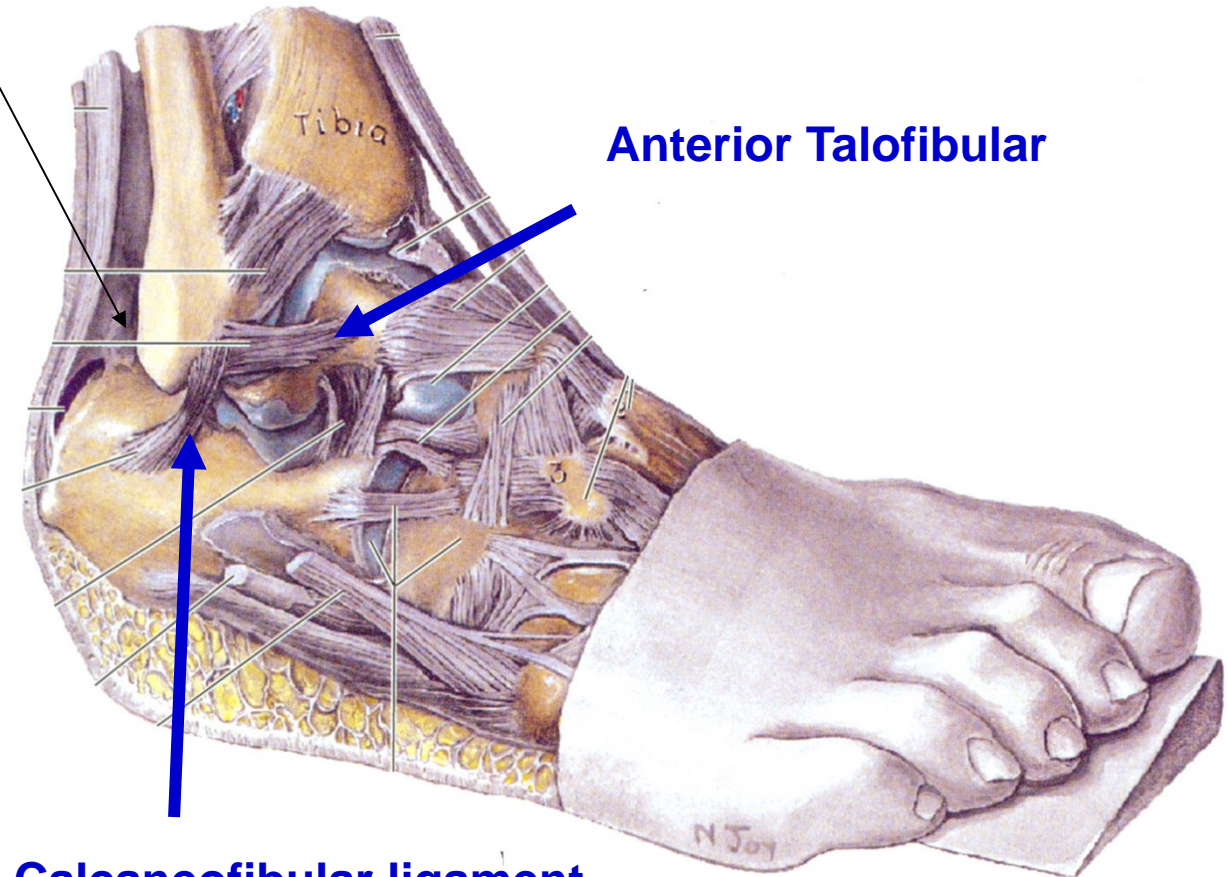
# ANKLE JOINT: LIGAMENTS

**Lateral ligaments**  
- **weaker**; all attach above to **lateral malleolus of fibula**; permit free dorsiflexion/plantar flexion but **limit inversion** of foot.

- a. **Anterior and Posterior Talofibular** ligaments to talus.
- b. **Calcaneofibular ligament** to calcaneus.

Posterior Talofibular

Anterior Talofibular



Calcaneofibular ligament



# JOINTS OF INVERSION/EVERSION OF FOOT

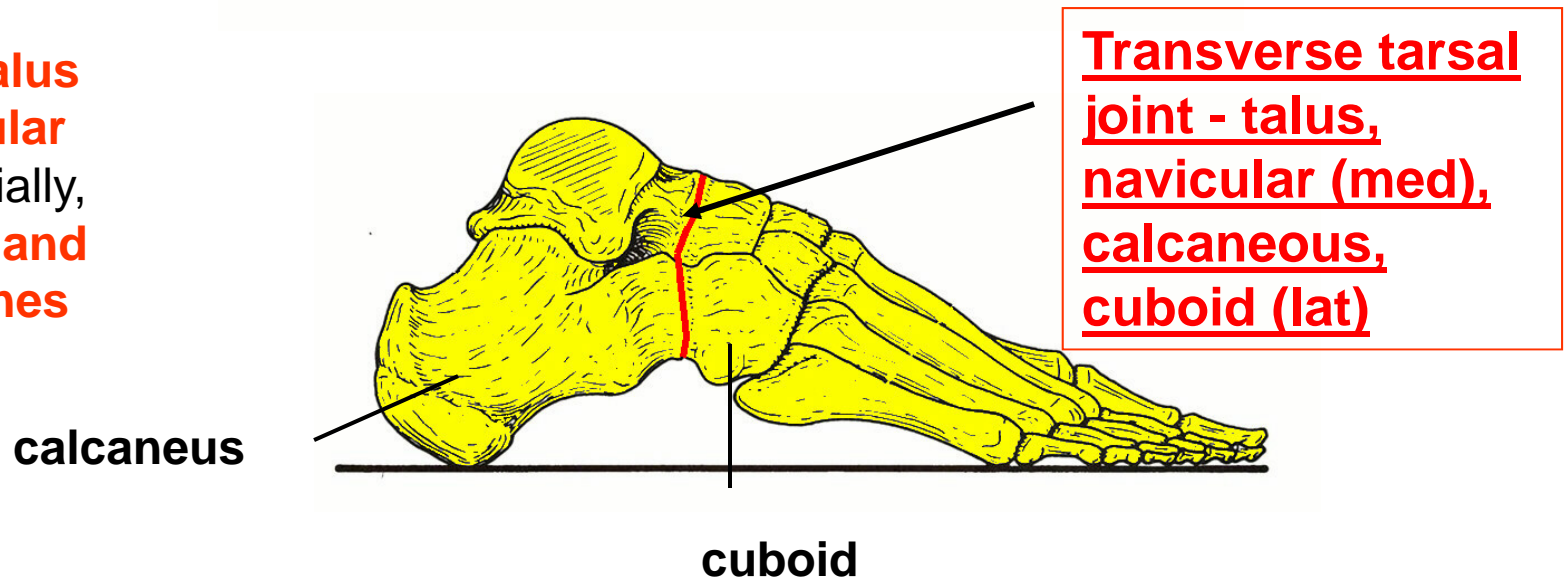
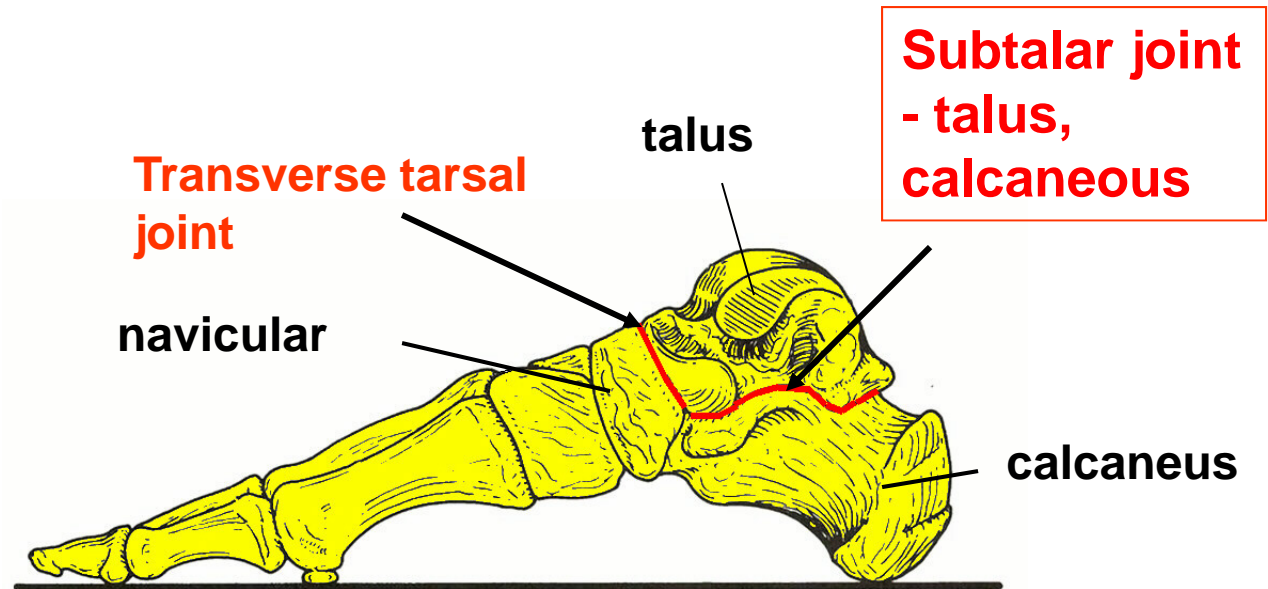
Inversion eversion movements occur at

1) Subtalar joint  
(between **talus** and **calcaneus**)

and at

2) Transverse tarsal joint

(between **talus** and **navicular** bones medially, **calcaneus** and **cuboid** bones laterally).





# MOVEMENTS OF LOWER LIMB

## D. Inversion-Eversion -

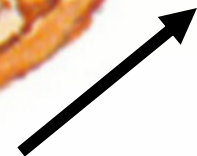
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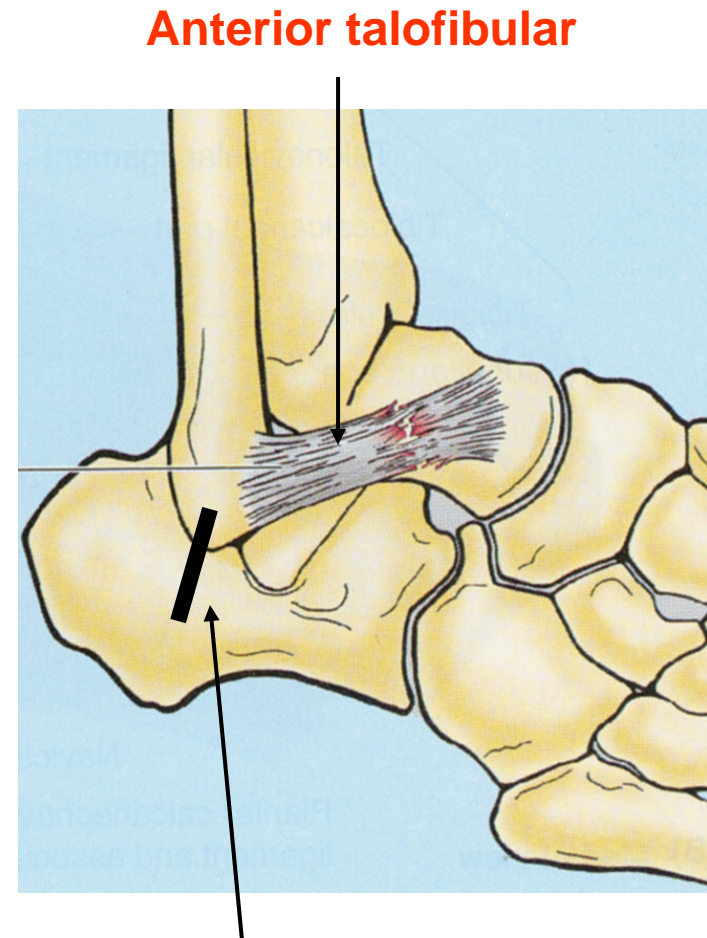
big toe raised



big toe turned down

## SPRAINED ANKLE: EXCESSIVE INVERSION

Note: **Sprains** of ankle are usually caused by **excessive inversion**; **Anterior talofibular** and **Calcaneofibular ligaments** are commonly **stretched** or **partially torn**.

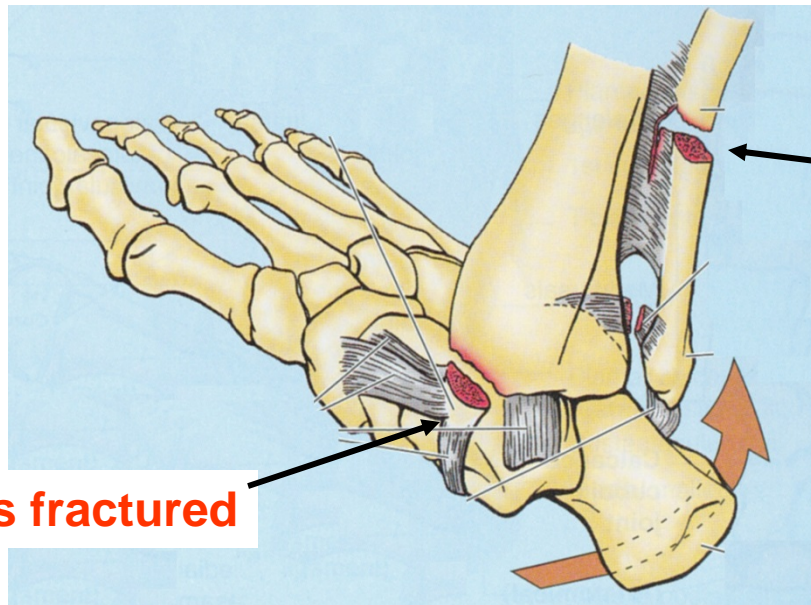
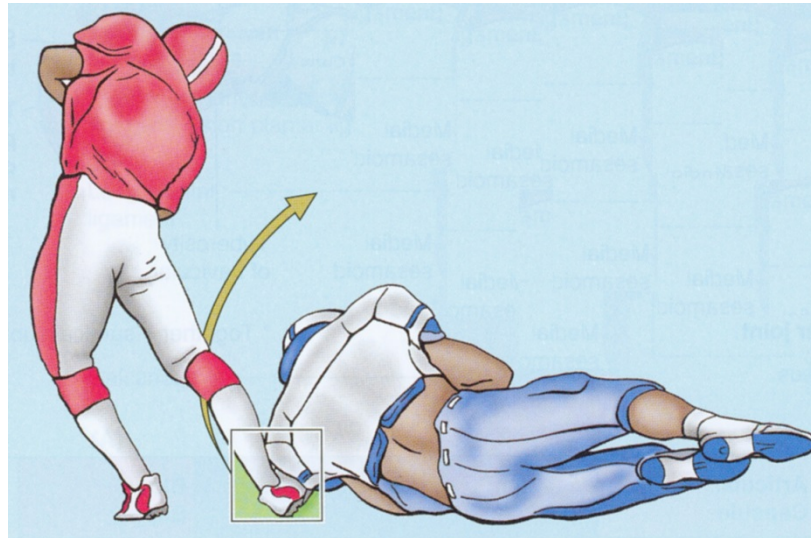


**Anterior talofibular**

**Calcaneofibular ligaments**

## POTT'S FRACTURE: EXCESSIVE EVERSION

Note: **Pott's fractures** are caused by **excessive eversion**; strong **Deltoid ligament** does not rupture but 1) **medial malleolus is fractured**; also 2) **break shaft of fibula**.



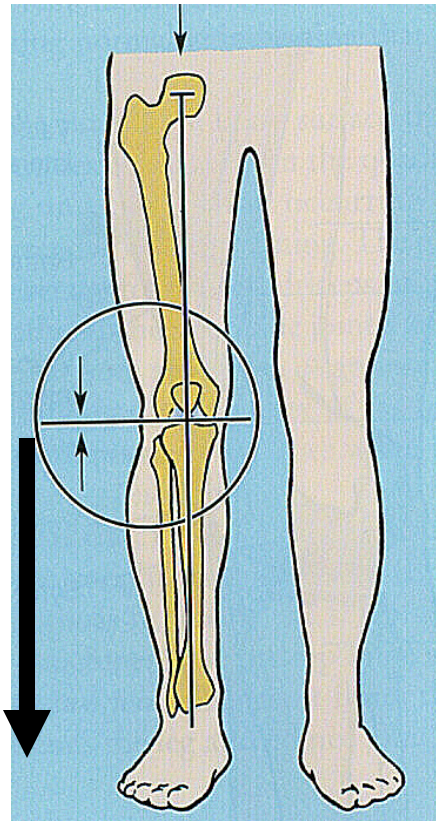
**Fibula is fractured**

**Medial malleolus is fractured**



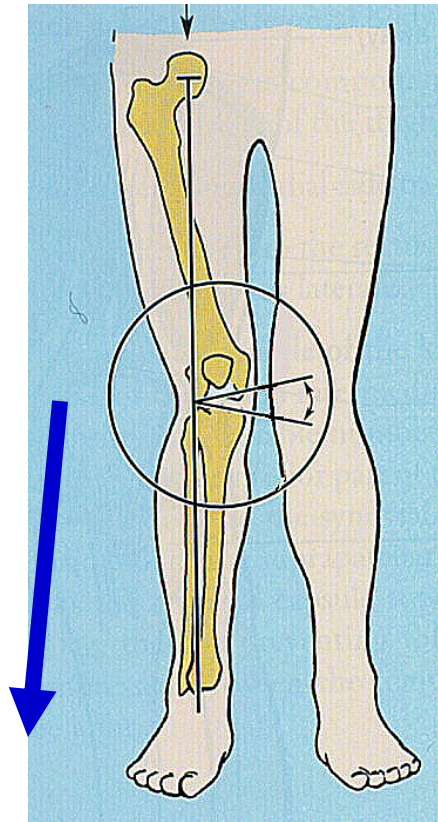
# X. DEFORMITIES OF LOWER LIMB: TERMINOLOGY – Valgus and Varus

**Normal** - Distal bone in joint is parallel to midline



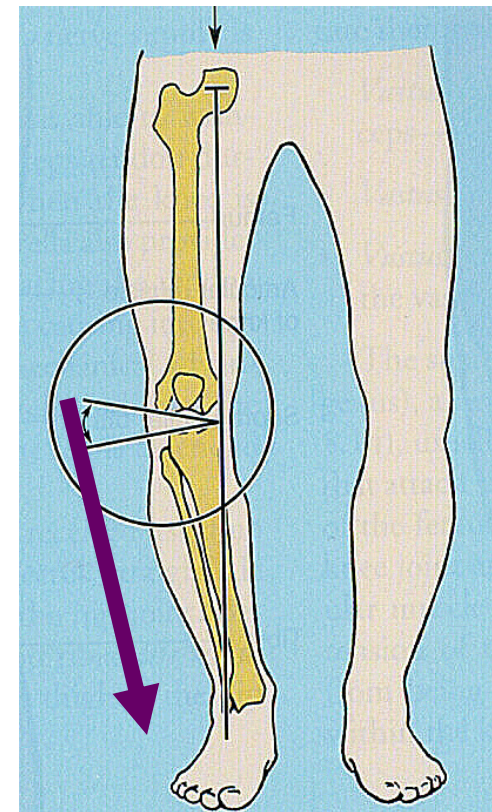
(It's vulgar to be knock-kneed) →

**Valgus** - Distal bone at a joint is deviated laterally away from midline of body



**Genu valgus** = knock-kneed;  
normal in infants 3-5

**Varus** - Distal bone at a joint is deviate toward midline



**Genu varus** = bow-legged;  
normal in infants to age 3



## CAUSES GENU VARUS (BOWLEGGED)

**Blount's disease** - a condition of severe bowleg that occurs more frequently in black children; disease is progressive, and may require surgery.

**Growth disturbance** - or epiphyseal dysplasia, which may be a part of a generalized bone growth disturbance.

**Post-trauma** - where injury to the knee causes damage to the growth plate (also called the epiphyseal plate) and abnormal growth around the knee.

**Rickets** - Lack of vitamin D intake, or inability to metabolize Vitamin D due to kidney disease can cause growth disturbance of the bones in the body, including the knee.

# LEG AND DORSUM OF FOOT

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## I. DESIGN OF LEG AND FOOT - foot is specialized for

**A. Supporting weight of body at heel and toes;** tendons of muscles of lower leg enter foot on medial and lateral sides without being compressed by body weight; tendons use medial malleolus, lateral malleolus as pulleys; support of body is produced by pushing foot and toes on ground (plantar flexion of foot, flexion of toes).

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## II. REVIEW BONES OF LEG - Weight of body is transmitted to tibia; tibia and fibula joined by interosseus membrane.

**A. Tibia** - medial bone, subcutaneous; proximally is large with flat condyles for articulation with femur at knee joint; distally is small and forms medial malleolus (little hammer) on medial side of ankle joint (tibia articulates with talus).

**B. Fibula** - much smaller bone located laterally; proximally does not form part of knee joint but head of fibula (proximal end) is palpable laterally below knee; distally forms lateral malleolus and articulates with talus at ankle joint.

Note: Hallux is big toe in Latin.

## III. COMPARTMENTS OF LEG - separated by 1) septa derived from deep fascia of leg and 2) interosseus membrane

COMPARTMENT	MUSCLE ACTION	NERVE	ARTERY
Posterior	Plantar flex foot, flex toes; Invert foot	Tibial nerve	Posterior tibial artery
Lateral	Evert foot	Superficial Peroneal Nerve	Posterior tibial artery (lateral branch)
Anterior	Dorsiflex foot, extend toes; Invert foot	Deep Peroneal Nerve	Anterior tibial artery

## IV. POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT - composed of superficial and deep subgroups; Tibial nerve courses between subgroups with Posterior Tibial artery

**A. Superficial group** - large muscles of posterior calf that support weight of body and provide propulsion in walking and running by plantar flexion of foot, insert onto Calcaneus

1. Gastrocnemius (gastr - belly, cnem - leg) has medial and lateral heads that insert to tendo calcaneus (Achilles tendon); Tendo calcaneus is largest tendon in body.

Clinical note: Lateral head of Gastrocnemius sometimes contains sesamoid bone, called the Fabella (L. faba, bean). Why do you have to know this? Fabella can be mistaken for a fracture on x-ray

2. Soleus (named for resemblance to flat fish called sole) - deep to Gastrocnemius, also inserts on Tendo calcaneus.

3. Plantaris - sometimes absent; very small belly but long thin tendon that is used for tendon grafts; tendon resembles a nerve; Plantaris is called 'freshman's nerve'.

Note: Rupture of tendo calcaneus - All superficial muscles insert onto tendo calcaneus. Tendon can rupture, accompanied by tearing of muscles and bleeding.

Clinical note: **Achilles tendon reflex** - tap on tendo calcaneus results in plantar flexion of foot; tests **S1 and S2**.

Clinical note: A bursa is located between tendon and calcaneus; can become inflamed.

B. Deep group - muscles that plantar flex and invert foot, flex toes; muscles enter foot on medial side of ankle

**ORDER OF STRUCTURES ON MEDIAL SIDE OF ANKLE - TOM, DICK AND HARRY** - **T**ibialis posterior (tendon), **F**lexor **D**igitorum Longus, **P**osterior Tibial **A**rtery, **T**ibial **N**erve and **F**lexor **H**allucis Longus.

Note: Order is important as accidents can happen that sever tendons (i.e. ax strikes ankle when chopping wood).

Note: Muscles bellies are apparently backward in leg - Flexor of big toe (hallucis) is lateral; flexor other toes is medial; tendons cross in foot.

1. Flexor hallucis longus - tendon passes deep on medial ankle beneath projection from calcaneus (sustentaculum tali); crosses over other tendons to reach distal phalanx of big toe.

2. Tibialis posterior - located deep between flexor hallucis longus and flexor digitorum longus; tendon crosses to medial side at ankle joint and passes directly beneath medial malleolus.

3. Flexor digitorum longus - located medially in leg; single tendon passes medial to ankle beneath medial malleolus then expands to four tendons that pass to distal phalanges in foot.

Note: Flexor Retinaculum (L. retaining band) - tendons of deep muscles pass beneath flexor reticulum (thickened of deep fascia) on medial side of ankle joint. Each tendon is covered by a synovial sheath, which lubricates tendon.

Clinical Note: **Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome** - Tarsal Tunnel is area beneath flexor retinaculum; Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome results from swelling of synovial sheaths; can compress Tibial Nerve; symptoms are numbness of sole of foot, toes and weakened flexion of toes (intrinsic muscles of foot).

**V. LATERAL COMPARTMENT OF LEG** - muscles act to evert foot; tendons pass beneath lateral malleolus (acts as pulley) beneath Superior and Inferior Peroneal retinacula; Innervated by Superficial Peroneal Nerve.

A. Peroneus Longus - starts laterally in leg and ends on medial side of foot; tendon passes beneath lateral malleolus then crosses in deepest layer of foot to first metatarsal and cuneiform bone; major everter of foot.

B. Peroneus Brevis - starts laterally and ends laterally; inserts to fifth metatarsal.

**VI. ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT OF LEG** - muscle bellies in anterior leg, tightly covered by dense fascia; tendons pass beneath extensor retinacula to dorsum of foot and toes; Innervated by Deep Peroneal Nerve.

A. Retinacula - on anterior side of leg: Superior Extensor Retinaculum - extends from tibia to fibula; Inferior Extensor Retinaculum - Y-shaped, extends from calcaneus to medial malleolus.

B. Muscles

1. Tibialis Anterior - major Inverter of foot and antagonist to Peroneus Longus; ends on same bones (medial cuneiform and first metatarsal) as Peroneus Longus.

2. Extensor Hallucis Longus - inserts to distal phalanx of big toe;

3. Extensor Digitorum Longus - insert to Extensor expansions of phalanges of lateral four toes.

4. Peroneus Tertius - the 'third peroneal muscle', part of Extensor Digitorum Longus that ends on fifth metatarsal.

Clinical Note: **Anterior Leg Syndrome** - fascia surrounding anterior leg muscles is very tough and tight; muscles can swell in compartment due to exercise or fracture of tibia; symptom is FOOT DROP (= loss of dorsiflexion of foot) due to compression of Deep Peroneal Nerve; treated by fasciotomy (surgically splitting fascia).

## **VII. DORSUM OF FOOT**

A. Extensor Digitorum Brevis - origin: calcaneus; insert to extensor expansions of digits 2, 3, and 4. If present, can extend to big toe and then is called Extensor Hallucis Brevis; innervation - Deep peroneal nerve; Action - Extend toes.

## **VIII. SUMMARY OF MUSCLES THAT ACT IN INVERSION OR EVERSION**

1. Muscles that course and insert medially can produce **INVERSION - MAIN INVERTERS, TIBIALIS ANTERIOR AND TIBIALIS POSTERIOR**
2. Muscles that course laterally can produce **EVERSION - MAIN EVERTERS, PERONEUS LONGUS, PERONEUS BREVIS, (PERONEUS TERTIUS)**



## IX. NERVES AND ARTERIES

### A. Nerves - Sciatic nerve divides into Tibial and Common Peroneal Nerves

1- Common Peroneal Nerve - leaves Popliteal fossa and winds around neck of fibula; very exposed and subject to damage; symptom is FOOT DROP; divides to

a. Deep Peroneal Nerve - innervates muscles of anterior compartment; sensory innervation to dorsum of foot.

b. Superficial Peroneal Nerve - supplies muscles of lateral compartment; main sensory innervation to dorsum of foot.

2- Tibial nerve - innervates muscles of posterior compartment; enters foot and divides into Medial and Lateral Plantar nerves.

### B. Arteries - Popliteal artery divides into Anterior and Posterior Tibial arteries:

1. Posterior Tibial Artery - enter posterior compartment and courses with Tibial nerve; in foot divides into Medial and Lateral Plantar arteries; branch in leg:

a. Peroneal Artery - descends in lateral part of posterior compartment; branches to muscles of lateral and posterior compartment.

Note: **Intermittent Claudication** (from L. claudico, limping) - Narrowing of Posterior Tibial artery due to arteriosclerosis; produces ischemia; patients have painful cramps when walking but pain subsides after rest.

Note: **Pulse of Posterior Tibial Artery** - taken between medial malleolus and tendo calcaneus.

2. Anterior Tibial Artery - passes through Interosseus membrane to anterior compartment; descends with Deep Peroneal Nerve; branches;

a. Anterior Tibial Recurrent Artery - part of anastomosis at knee.

b. Medial and Lateral Malleolar Arteries - form anastomosis at ankle.

c. Dorsalis pedis - continuation of Anterior Tibial artery

d. Arcuate artery - branch of Dorsalis pedis; gives rise to Dorsal Digital arteries to toes.

Note: **Pulse of Dorsalis pedis artery** - taken on dorsum of foot between medial and lateral malleoli.

## X. DEFORMITIES OF LOWER LIMB: TERMINOLOGY – Valgus and Varus – terms clinically important

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B. **Varus** - Distal part of bone at joint is deviate toward midline; ex. **Genu varus = bow-legged (leg is bowed out and distal tibia tilts toward midline)**

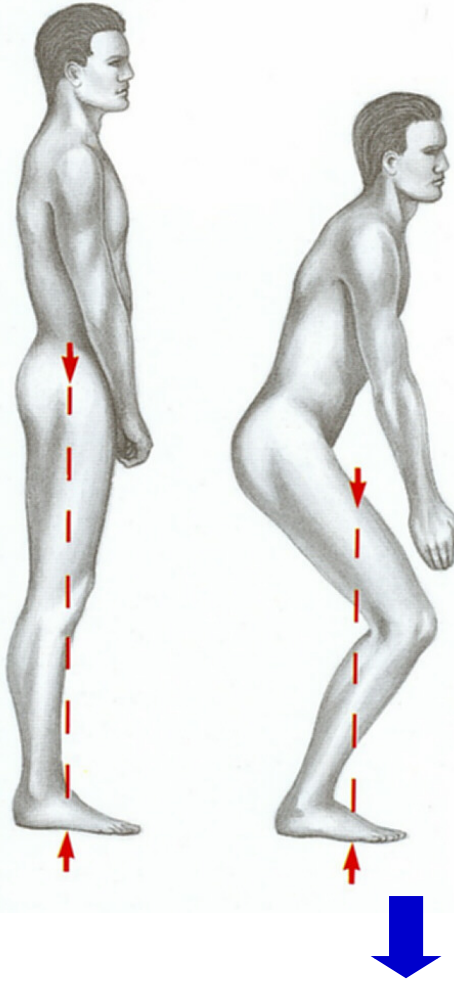
# LEG AND DORSUM OF FOOT

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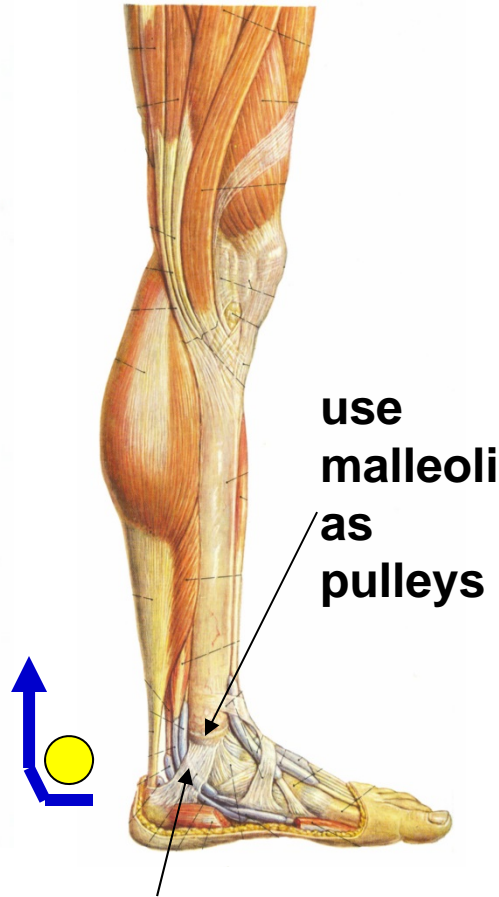
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- II. BONES OF LEG
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- IV. POSTERIOR **COMPARTMENT** -  
**Tom, Dick and Harry**, standing  
and walking
- V. LATERAL COMPARTMENT -  
eversion of foot
- VI. ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT -  
lift foot, anterior compartment  
syndrome, shin splints
- VI. NERVES AND ARTERIES



## I. DESIGN OF LEG AND FOOT



Support body weight  
by plantar flex foot



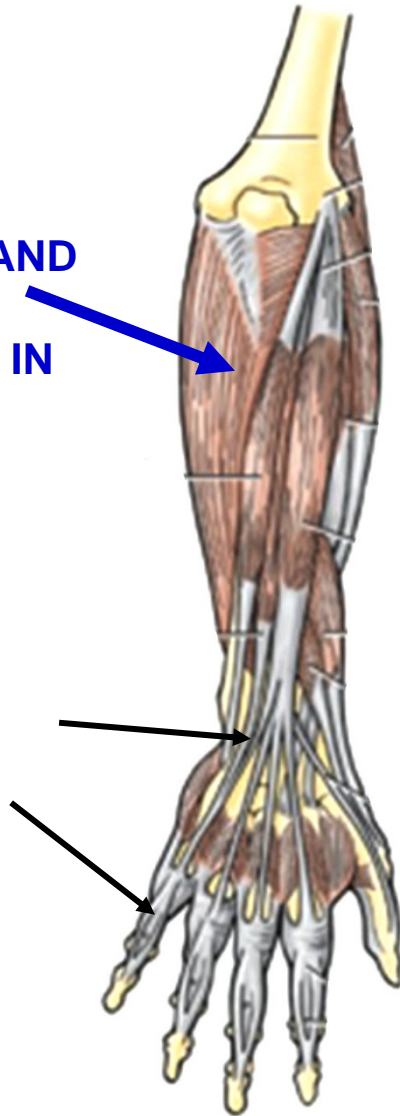
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# COMMON DESIGN OF UPPER AND LOWER EXTREMITIES

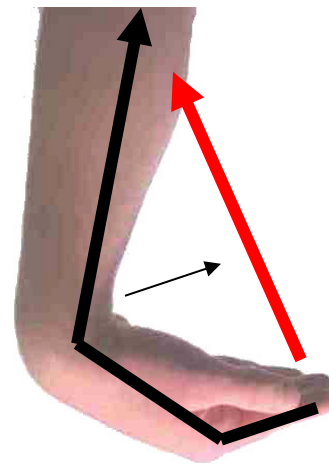
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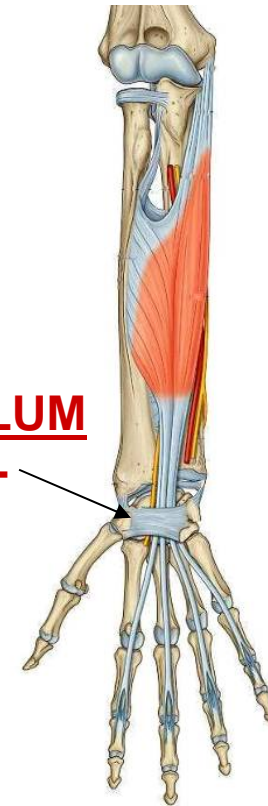
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TENDONS  
WOULD PULL OUT  
IF NOT  
HELD TO WRIST -  
'BOWSTRINGING'

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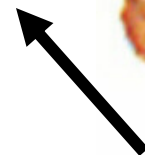
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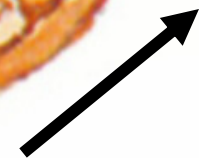
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**SPRAINED ANKLE -  
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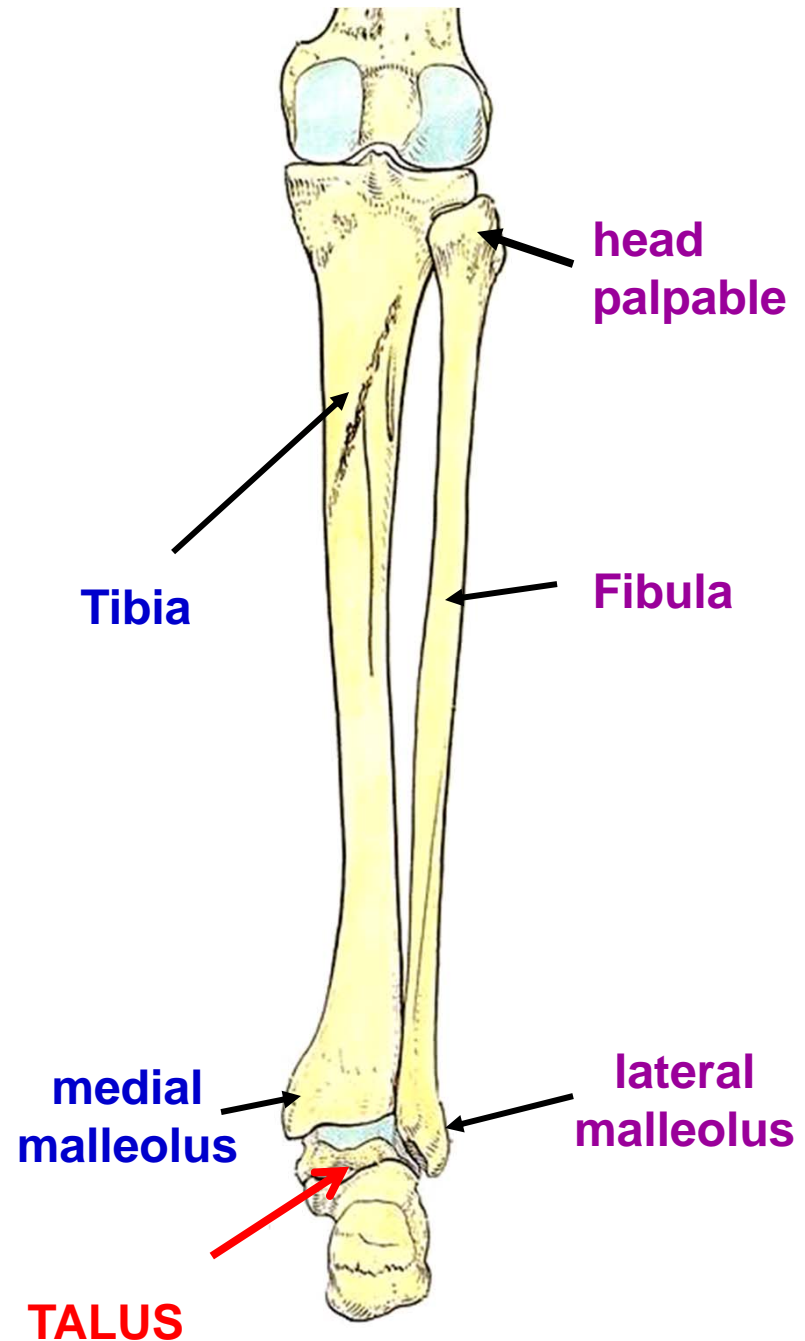
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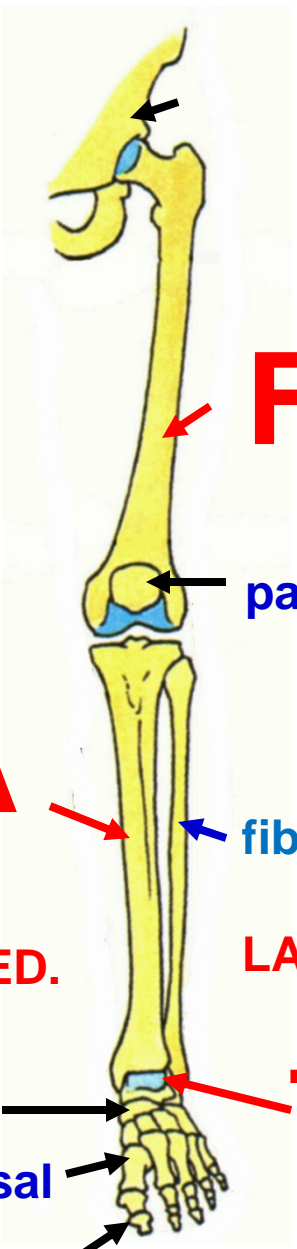
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**BODY  
WEIGHT**



**FEMUR**

**TIBIA**

patella

fibula

MED.

LAT.

**talus**

tarsal

metatarsal

phalanges

**calcaneus**

**first metatarsal**

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- **COMMON PERONEAL NERVE DIVIDES INTO SUPERFICIAL AND DEEP PERONEAL NERVES**



**DEEP  
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NERVE**

**ANTERIOR**

**SUPERFICIAL  
PERONEAL  
NERVE**

medial

**DORSIFLEX  
FOOT**



Tibia

Fibula

**LATERAL  
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**BIG  
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**PLANTAR  
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**TIBIAL  
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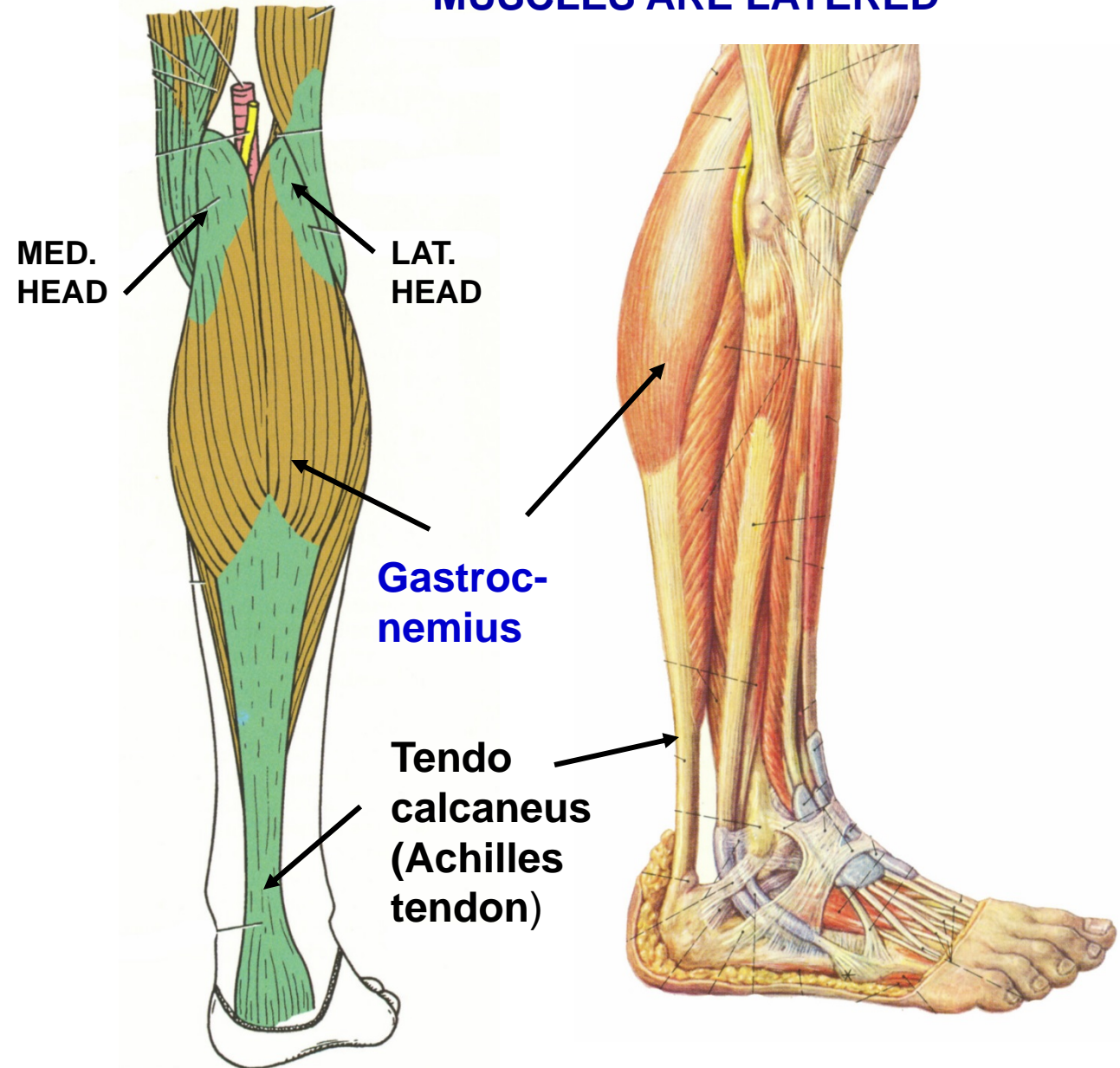
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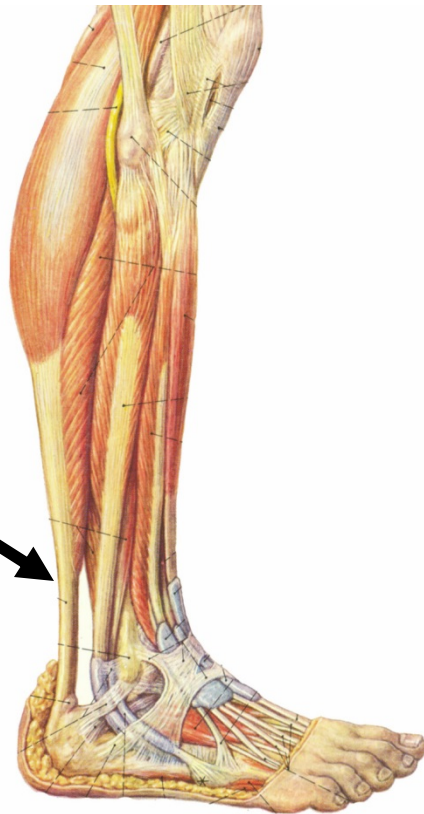
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### MUSCLES ARE LAYERED



## RUPTURE OF ACHILLES TENDON

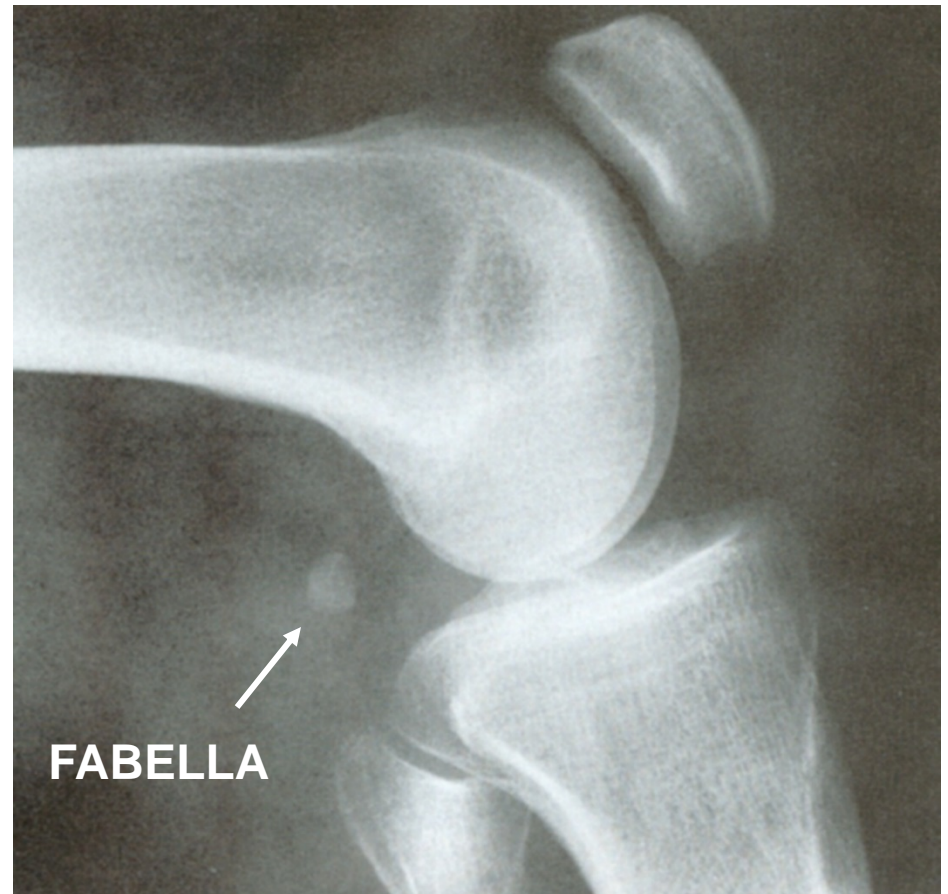
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TENDON



Tendon can rupture,  
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## FABELLA

Clinical note: **Lateral head of Gastrocnemius** sometimes contains sesamoid bone, called the Fabella (L. bean). Fabella can be mistaken for a fracture on x-ray





# RUPTURE OF ACHILLES TENDON

Achilles Tendon Rupture

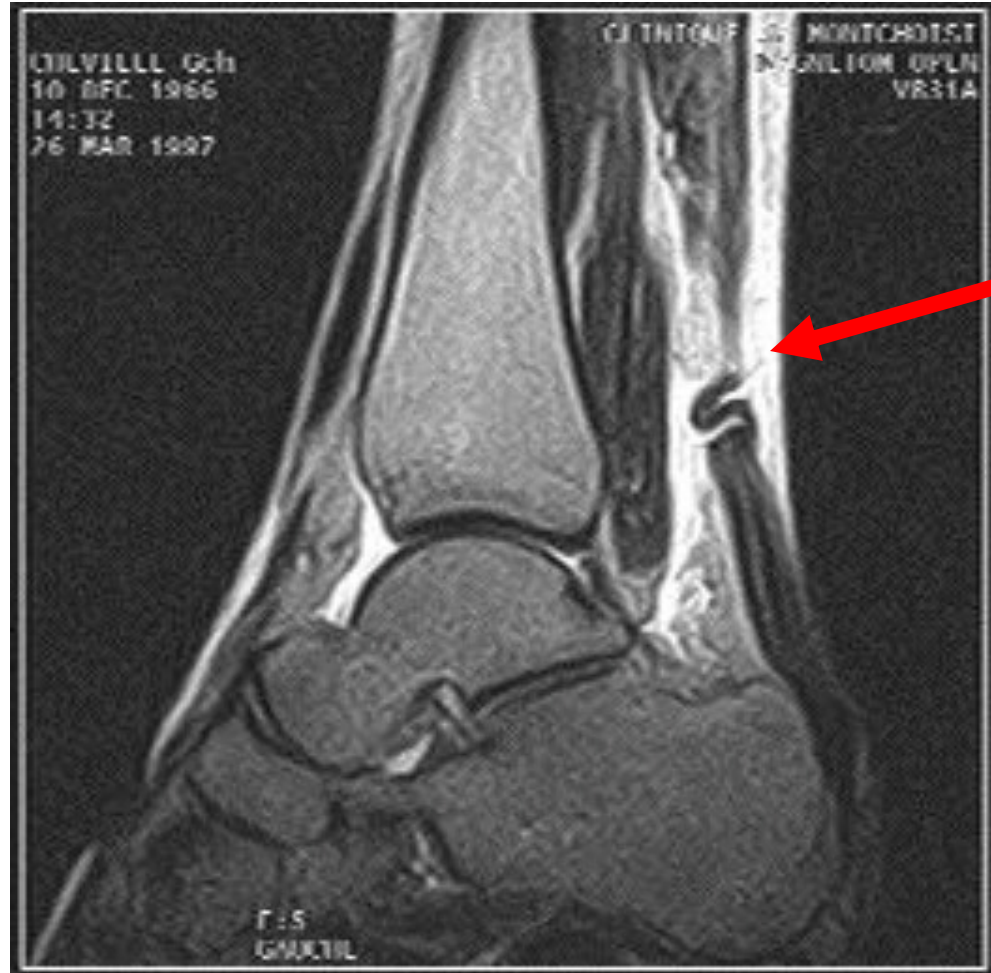


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## ACHILLES HEEL



Achilles - hero of Trojan war; as child, dipped by his mother in river Styx; she neglected to dip his heel

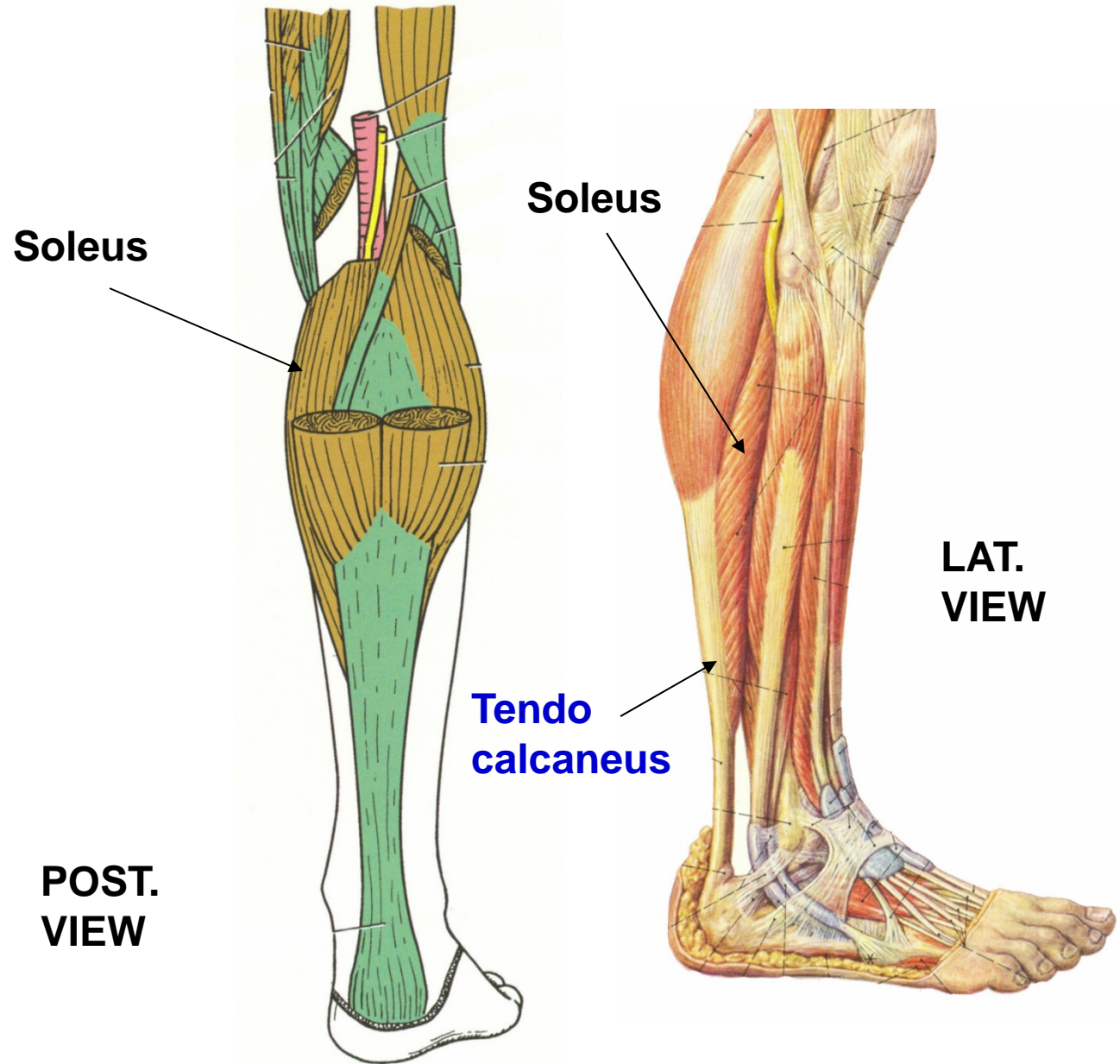




## POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT MUSCLES - SUPERFICIAL GROUP

2. **Soleus**  
(named for  
resemblance to  
flat fish called  
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**ORIGIN -**  
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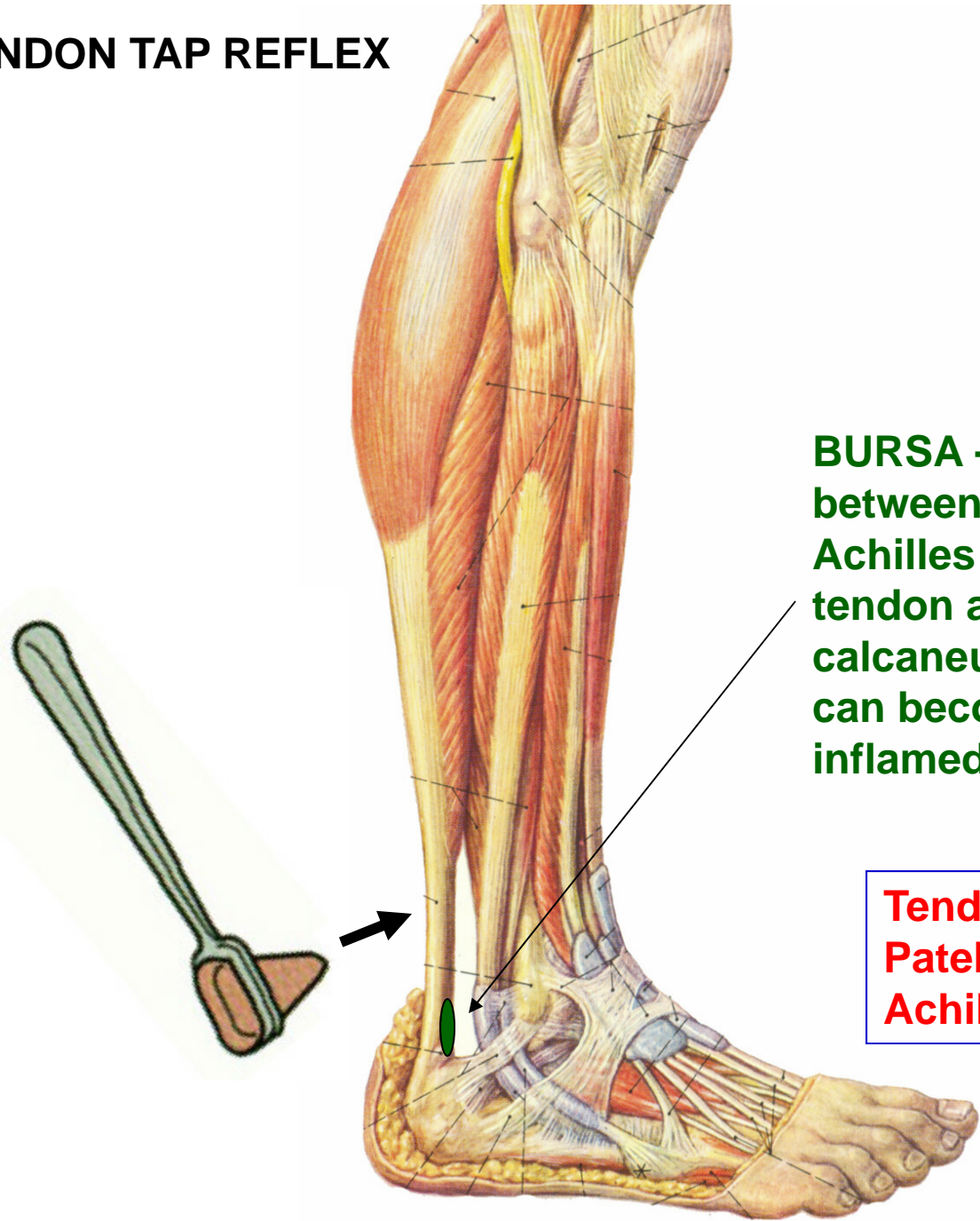


**POST.  
VIEW**

**LAT.  
VIEW**

# ACHILLES TENDON TAP REFLEX IS S1-S2

Clinical note:  
Achilles tendon reflex - tap on tendo calcaneus results in plantar flexion of foot; tests **S1** and **S2**.



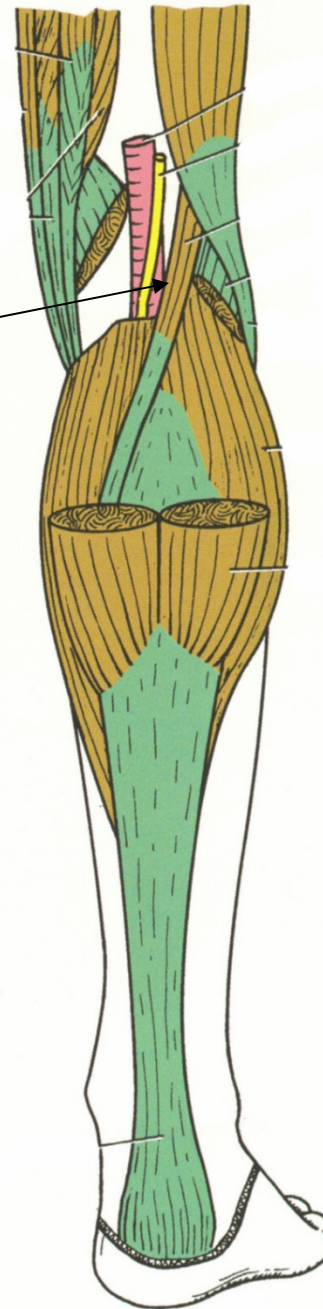
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**Tendon reflexes**  
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Plantaris

3. **Plantaris** - sometimes absent; very small belly but long thin tendon that is used **for tendon grafts**; tendon resembles nerves and Plantaris is **called 'freshman's nerve'**.

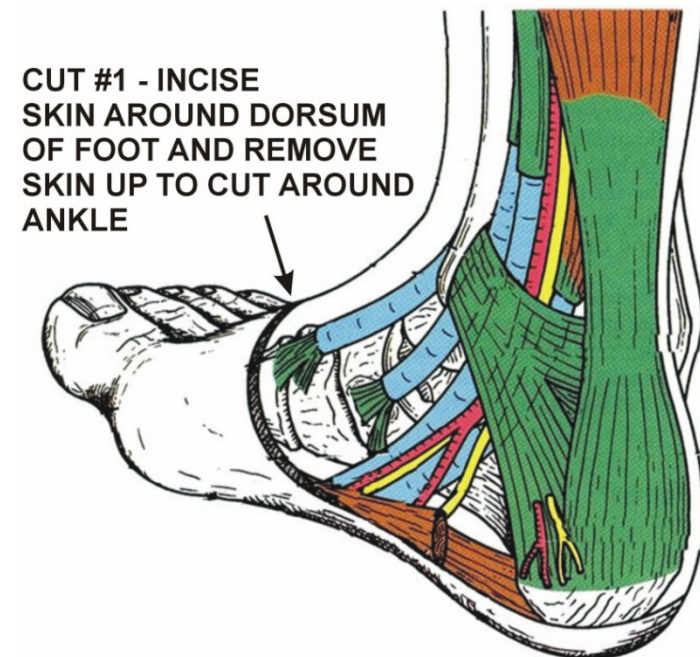


**ORIGIN -  
FEMUR  
INSERT -  
TENDO  
CALCANEUS**

**Vestige -  
structure that has  
become reduced  
(or functionless) in  
course of evolution**

# DISSECTION INSTRUCTIONS LEG: FIRST REMOVE SKIN FROM ANKLE AND DORSUM OF FOOT

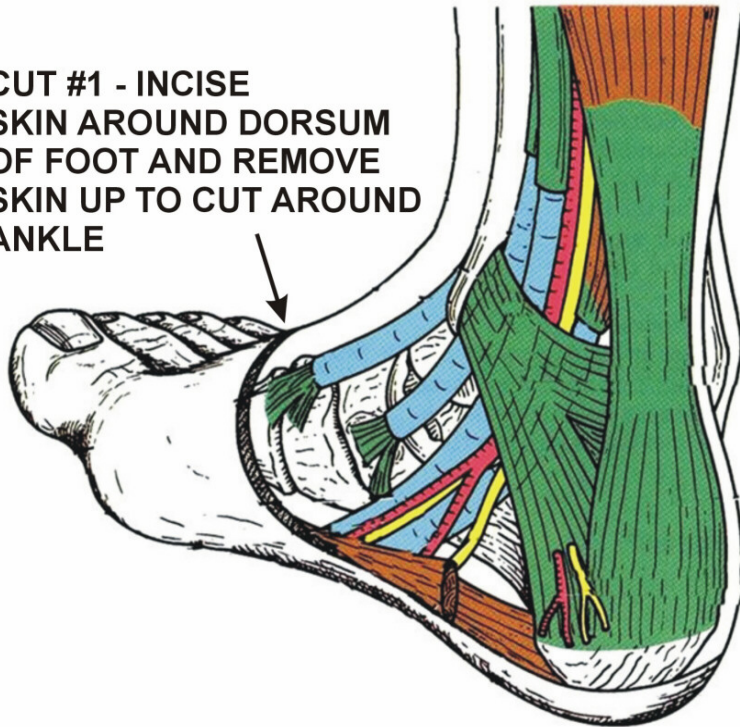
**Fig. 1 - Incise skin as in diagram at right: remove all skin around ankle and dorsum of foot (extend skinning to some individual toes); this exposes Tom, Dick and Harry, Peroneal muscle tendons and tendons of muscles of Anterior Compartment.**





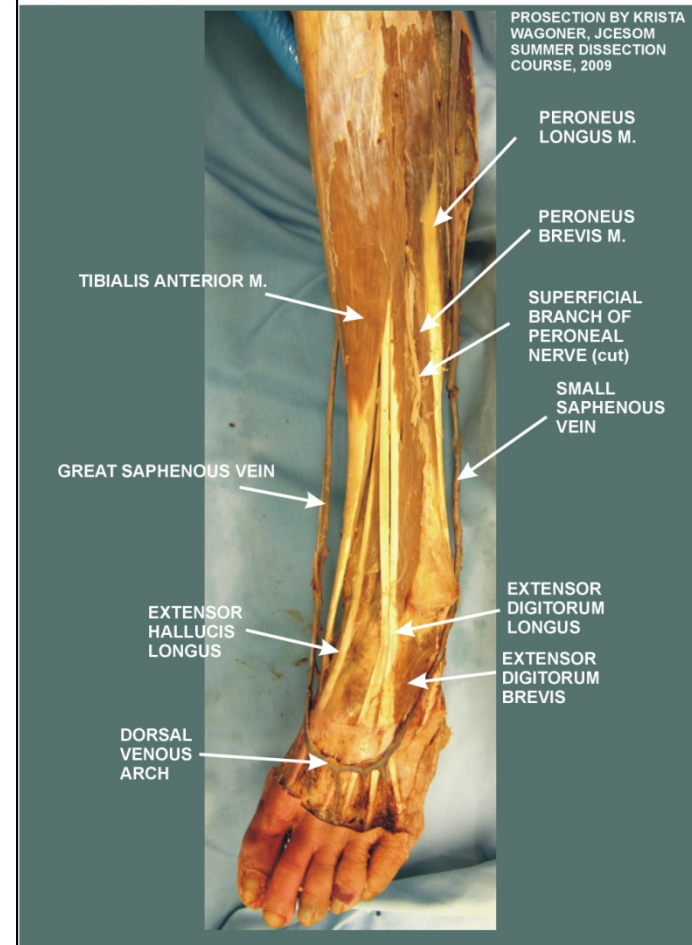
# SIMILAR TO PROSECTION 310: FIRST REMOVE SKIN FROM ANKLE AND DORSUM OF FOOT

CUT #1 - INCISE SKIN AROUND DORSUM OF FOOT AND REMOVE SKIN UP TO CUT AROUND ANKLE



## DORSUM OF LEG/VENOUS ARCH OF FOOT

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Also skin one or two toes to see tendon!

# TURN CADAVER OVER TO PRONE (FACE DOWN) POSITION

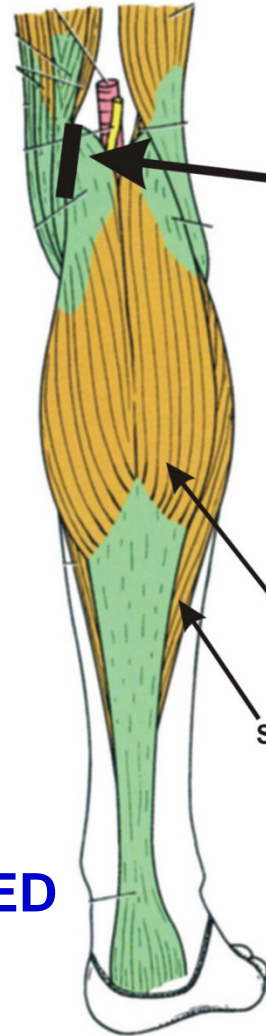
## TWO CUTS:

1) CUT MEDIAL HEAD OF GASTROCNEMIUS AT FEMUR

2) PUT FINGER UNDER SOLEUS; THEN CUT ORIGIN FROM TIBIA

3) MUSCLES OF POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT (SUPERFICIAL) CAN THEN BE REFLECTED Laterally

RIGHT LEG  
POSTERIOR VIEW



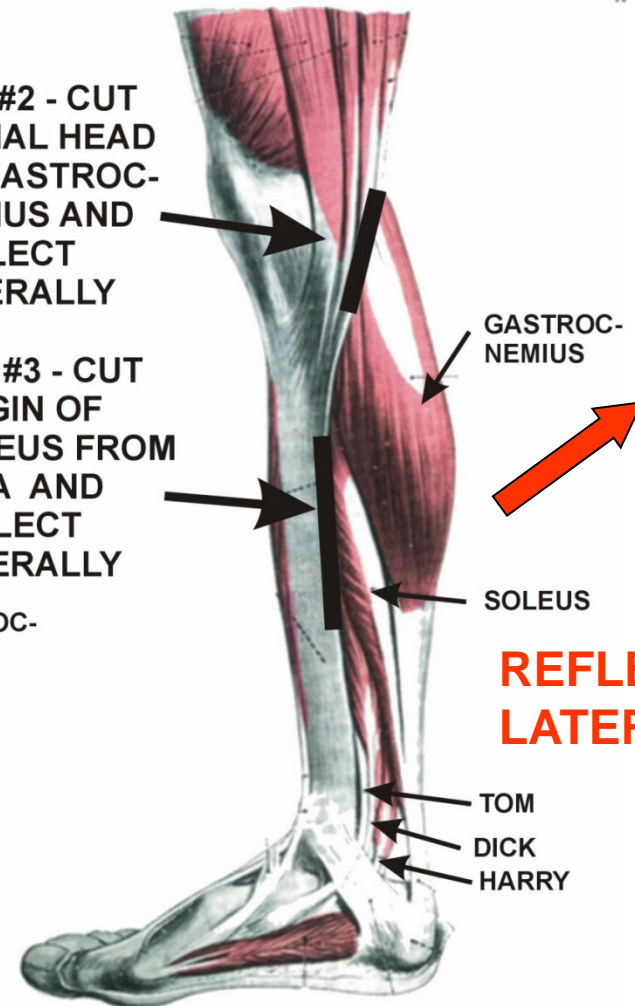
RIGHT LEG  
MEDIAL VIEW

CUT #2 - CUT MEDIAL HEAD OF GASTROCNEMIUS AND REFLECT Laterally

CUT #3 - CUT ORIGIN OF SOLEUS FROM TIBIA AND REFLECT Laterally

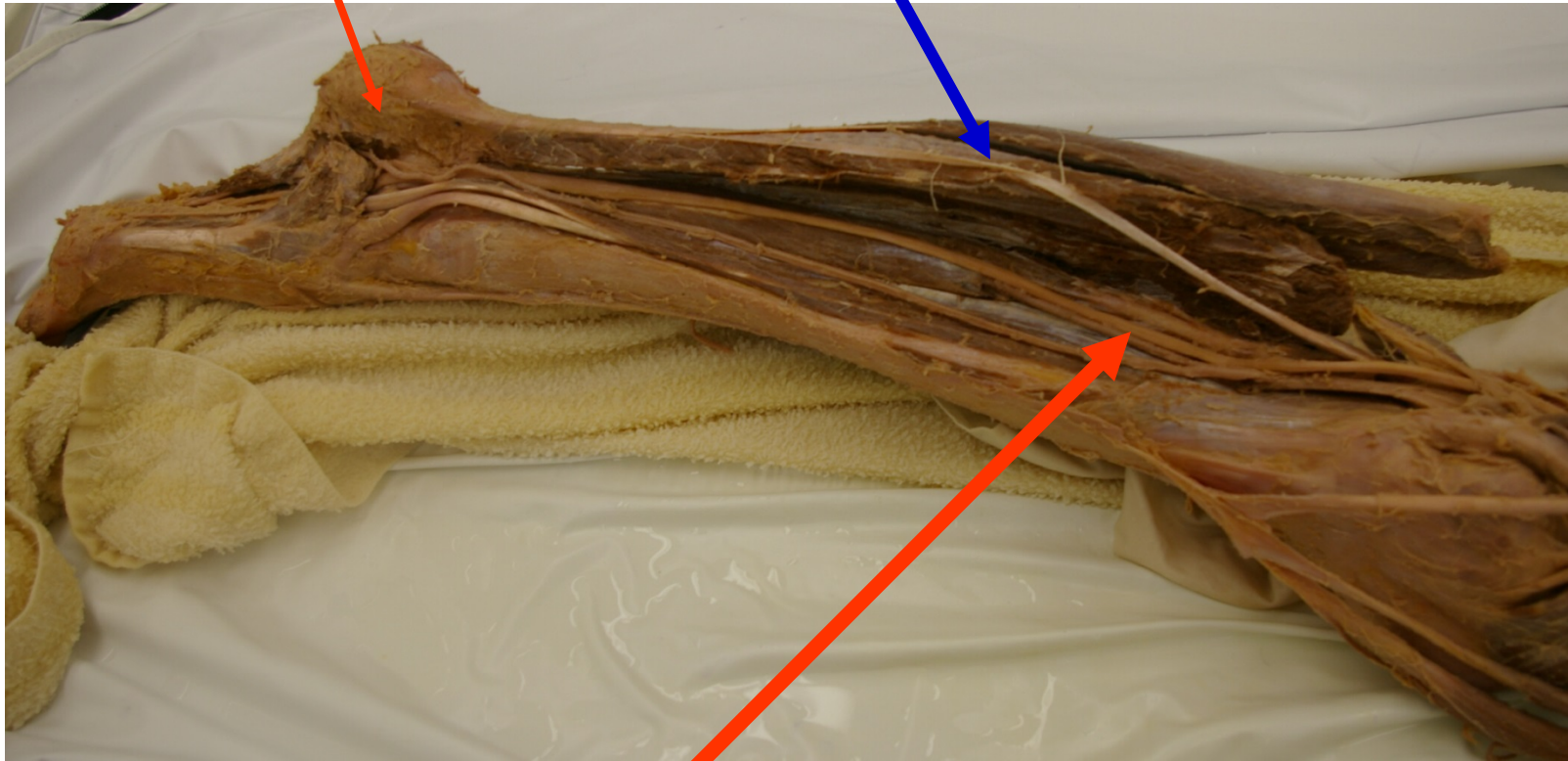
GASTROCNEMIUS

SOLEUS



# REFLECT GASTROCNEMIUS, SOLEUS, PLANTARIS LATERALLY

MEDIAL SIDE OF ANKLE OF LEFT LEG



NERVES AND ARTERIES COURSE IN POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT  
BETWEEN SUPERFICIAL AND DEEP GROUPS OF MUSCLES



## POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT MUSCLES - DEEP GROUP

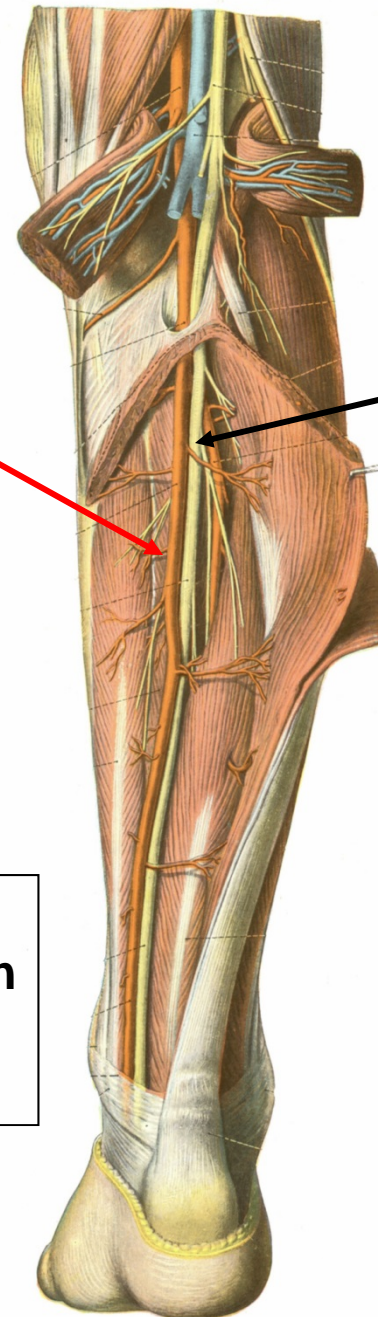
B. **Deep group** - muscles that **plantar flex and invert foot, flex toes**; muscles enter foot on medial side of ankle

Note: **Muscles bellies are backward in leg** - **Flexor of big toe (hallucis) is lateral**; flexor other toes is medial; tendons cross in foot.

**Tibial nerve** and **Posterior tibial artery** course between Superficial and Deep Groups

**Posterior tibial artery**

**Tibial nerve**





## POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT MUSCLES - DEEP GROUP

1. Flexor hallucis longus -

O - **Fibula**

I - Distal phalanx of  
Big Toe

**ORIGIN IS LATERAL  
IN POST. COMPARTMENT**

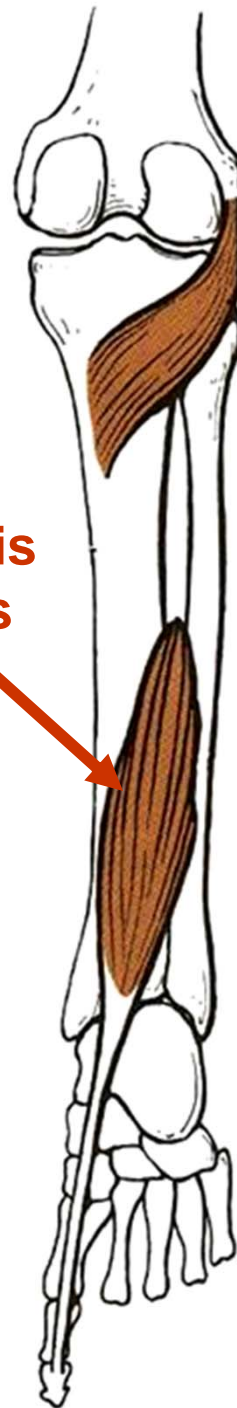
tendon passes deep on  
medial ankle **beneath**  
projection from  
**CALCANEUS**

**(sustentaculum tali);**

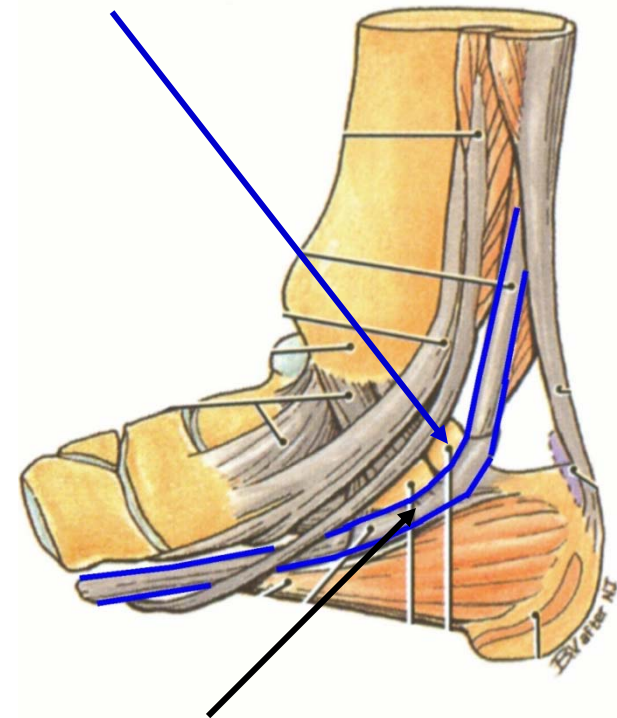
crosses over other tendons to  
reach distal phalanx of big  
toe.

**ACT - PLANTAR FLEX BIG TOE  
- PLANTAR FLEX FOOT**

**Flexor  
hallucis  
longus**



**Sustentaculum tali**  
(projection from  
**CALCANEUS**)  
acts as pulley



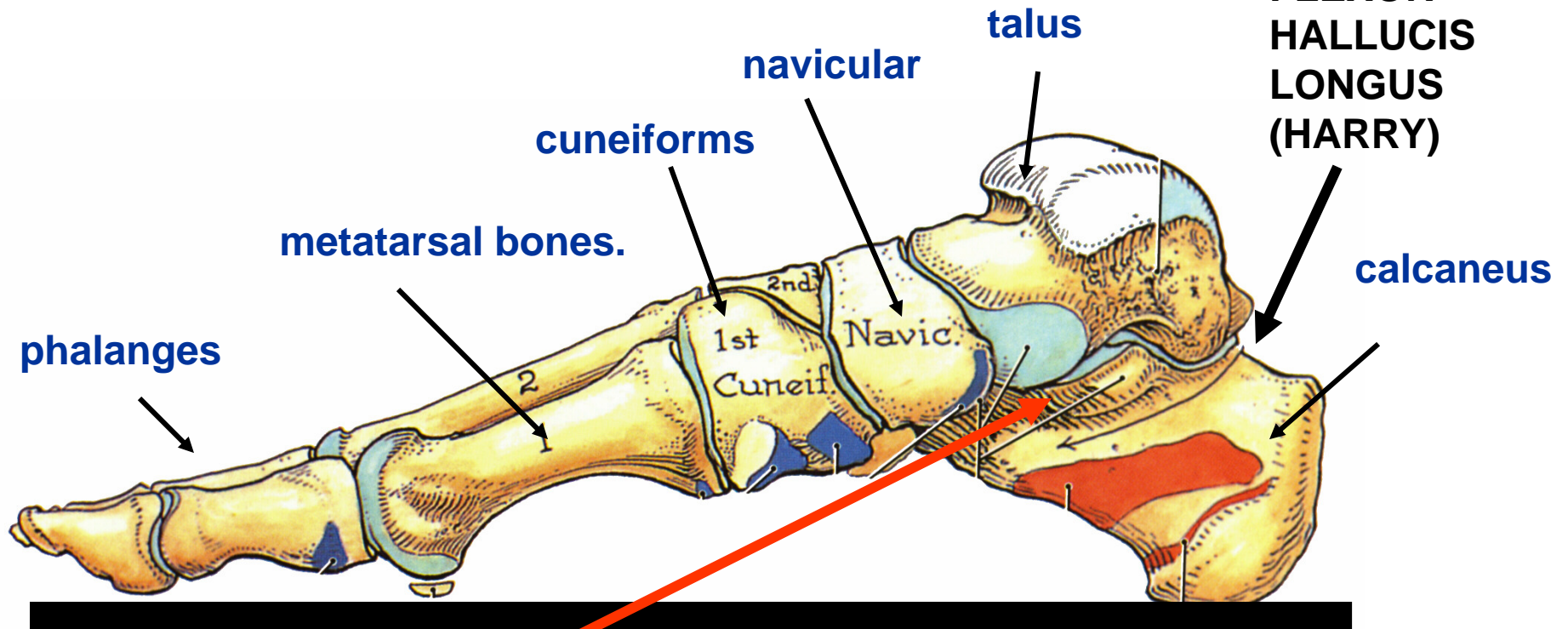
**Flexor hallucis longus  
tendon**

**Sustentaculum = L. prop,  
support**

# TARSAL BONES, METATARSALS AND PHALANGES

Talus sits above calcaneus;  
Foot has arch

PATH  
OF  
TENDON OF  
FLEXOR  
HALLUCIS  
LONGUS  
(HARRY)



**SUSTENTACULUM TALI** - (L. support of talus) - part of **CALCANEUS**;  
**ACTS AS PULLEY FOR FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS**

## POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT MUSCLES - DEEP GROUP

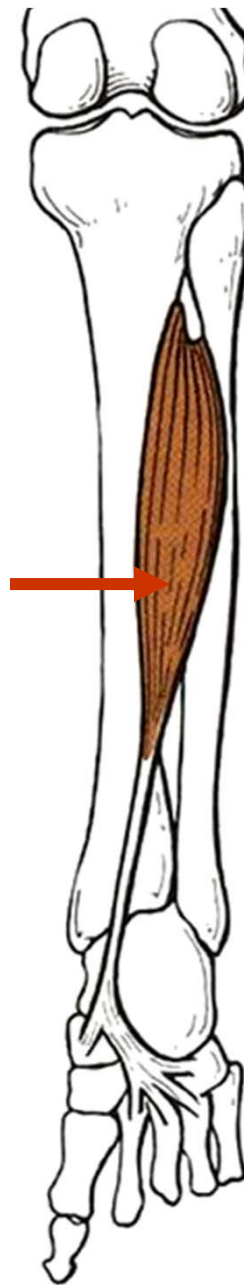
2. **Tibialis posterior** -  
O - Tibia, Fibula,  
Interosseus  
membrane  
I - **Navicular bone,  
cuneiform, cuboid,  
metatarsals 2-4**

located deep in  
between flexor hallucis  
longus and flexor  
digitorum longus;  
tendon crosses to  
medial side at ankle  
joint and passes  
directly **beneath medial  
malleolus**.

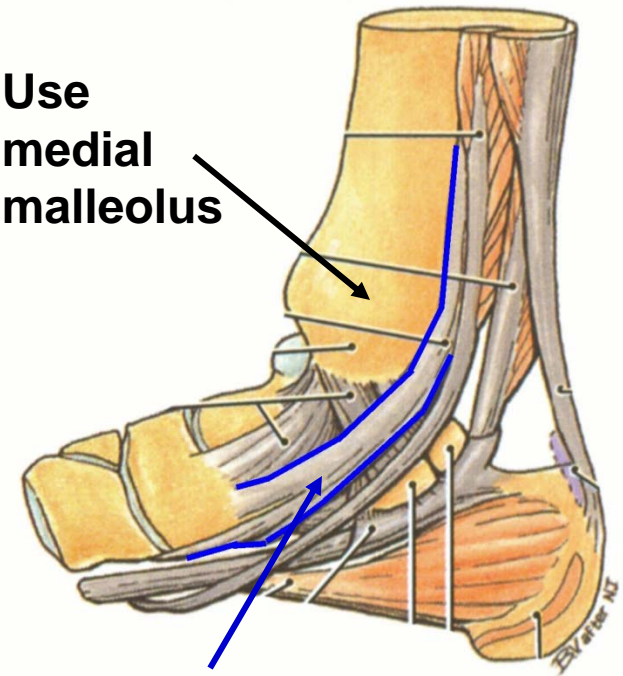
**ACT - MAJOR  
INVERTER OF FOOT**

**Tibialis  
posterior**

**INVERT**



Use  
medial  
malleolus



**Tendon of Tibialis  
posterior**

## POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT MUSCLES - DEEP GROUP

### 3. Flexor digitorum longus -

O - Tibia

I - Distal phalanges  
lateral four toes

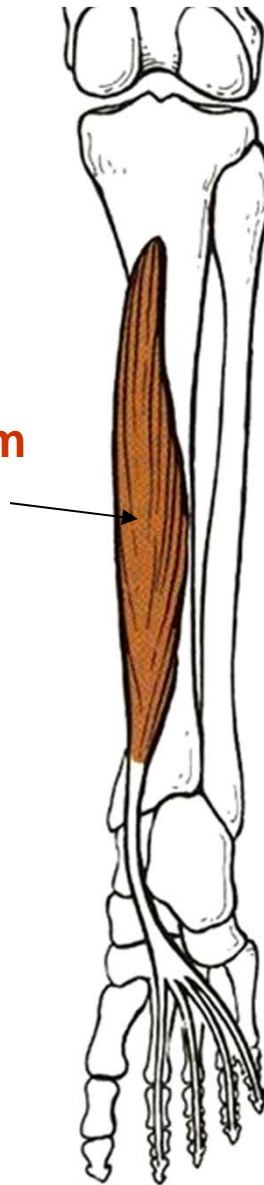
**ORIGIN IS MEDIAL  
IN POST.**

**COMPARTMENT**

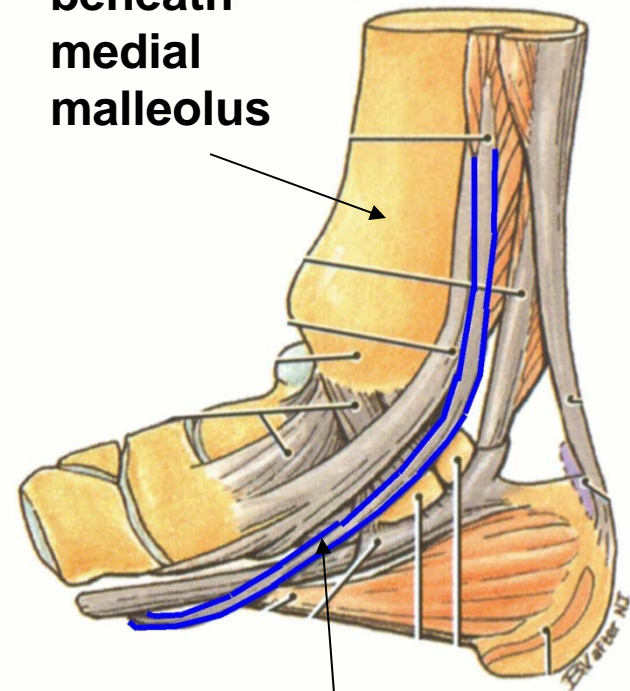
single tendon passes  
medial to ankle beneath  
medial malleolus then  
expands to four tendons  
that pass to distal  
phalanges in foot.

**ACT - PLANTAR FLEX LATERAL  
FOUR TOES,  
PLANTAR FLEX FOOT**

**Flexor  
digitorum  
longus**



beneath  
medial  
malleolus



**Tendon of Flexor  
digitorum longus**



**TENDONS  
CROSS IN  
FOOT -  
BRINGS PULL  
ON  
BIG TOE  
(HALLUX)  
MEDIALLY  
AND IN LINE  
WITH TENDON**

**Flexor  
digitorum  
longus**

**Flexor  
hallucis  
longus**

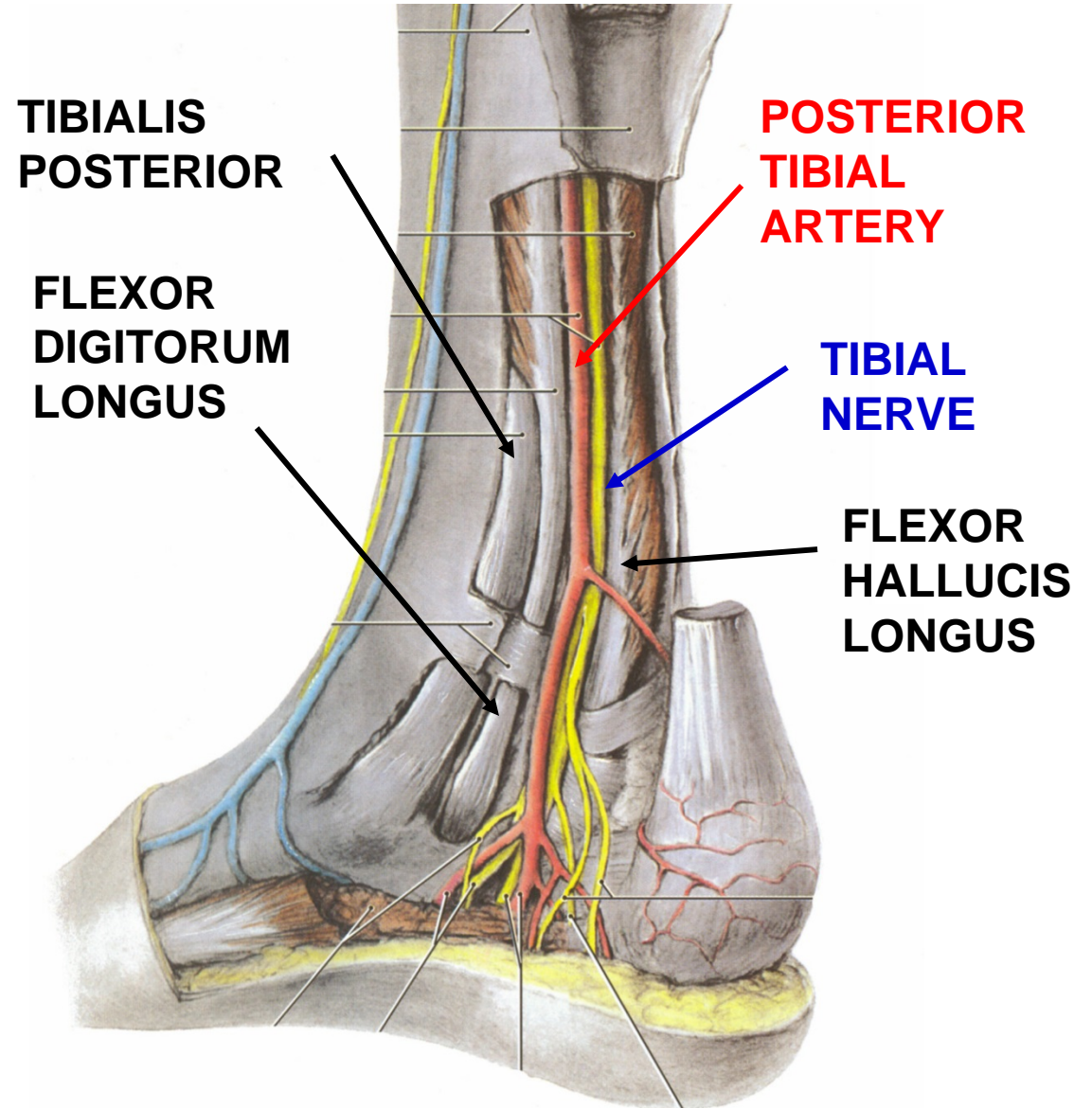
**Flexor  
hallucis  
longus**

**Flexor  
digitorum  
longus**



## TOM, DICK AND HARRY

ORDER OF STRUCTURES ON MEDIAL SIDE OF ANKLE - **TOM, DICK AND HARRY** - **T**ibialis posterior (tendon), Flexion **D**igitorum Longus, Posterior Tibial **A**rtery, Tibial **N**erve and Flexor **H**allucis Longus.

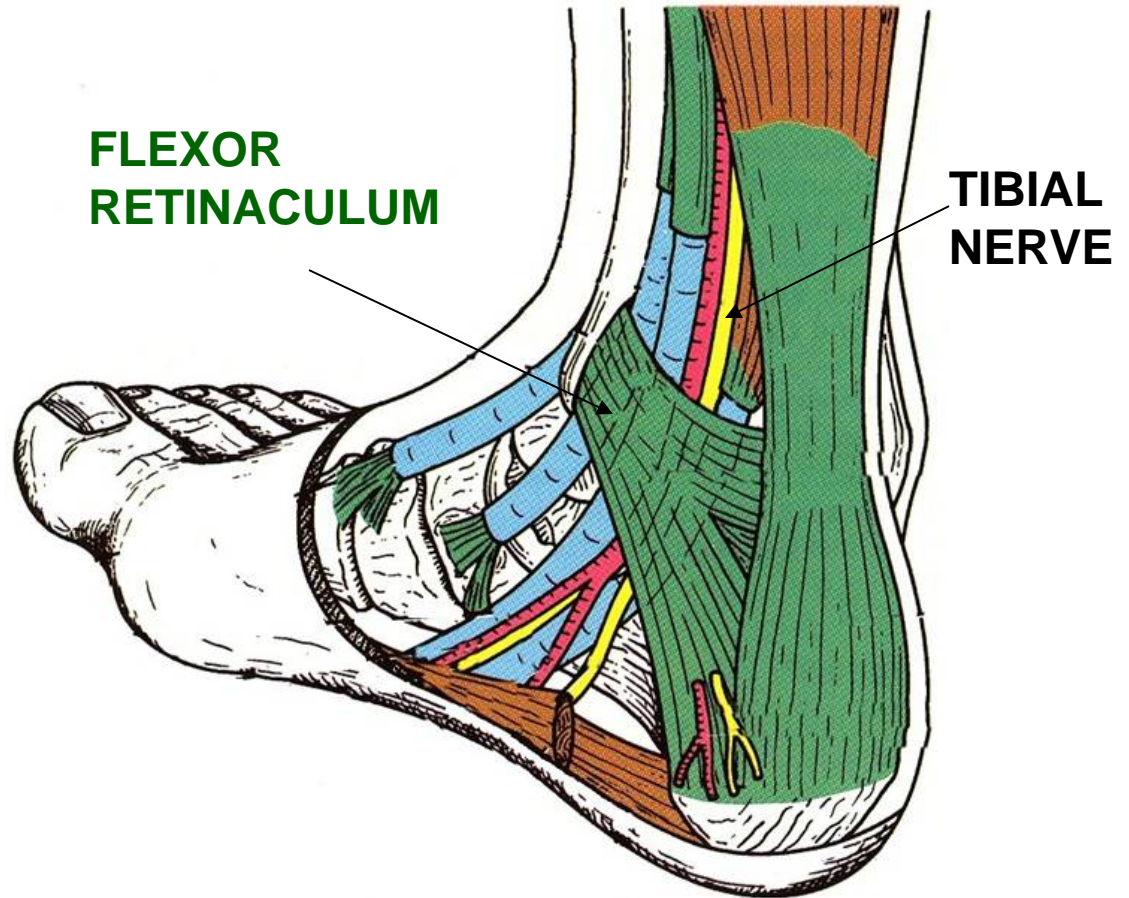


**Note: Order is important as accidents can happen that sever tendons (i.e. ax strikes ankle when chopping wood).**

# FLEXOR RETINACULUM AND TARSA TUNNEL SYNDROME

retinaculum - L. restrain

Note: **Flexor Retinaculum** - tendons of deep muscles pass beneath flexor reticulum on medial side of ankle joint; muscle tendons are covered by **synovial sheaths** under retinaculum



**Clinical Note: Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome** - Tarsal Tunnel is area beneath flexor retinaculum; Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome results from **swelling of synovial sheaths**, can compress Tibial Nerve; symptoms are **numbness of sole of foot, toes and weakened flexion of toes** (intrinsic muscles of foot).

**DEEP  
PERONEAL  
NERVE**

**ANTERIOR**

**SUPERFICIAL  
PE-RON'-EAL  
NERVE**

**DORSIFLEX  
FOOT**



**Tibia**

**Fibula**

**LATERAL**

**EVERT  
FOOT**

**BIG  
TOE**



**POSTERIOR**

**PLANTAR  
FLEX  
FOOT**



**TIBIAL  
NERVE**

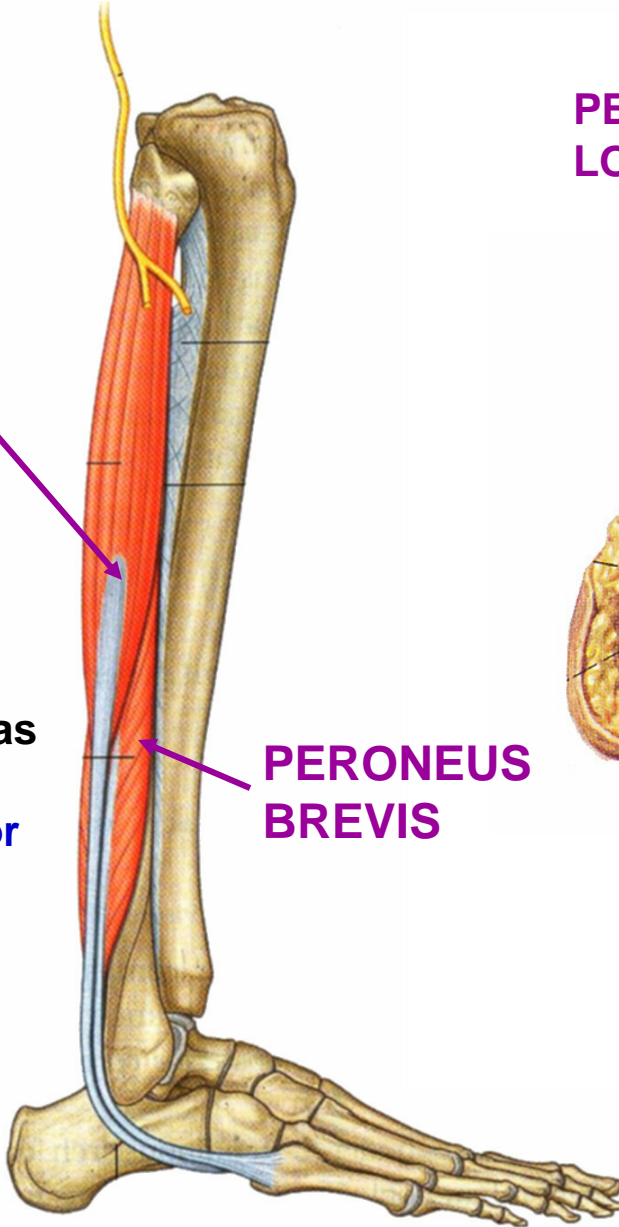
**NOTE: MUSCLES  
OF ANT. AND  
POST. COMPART-  
MENTS ALSO  
INVERT FOOT**



## V. LATERAL COMPARTMENT

**PERONEUS LONGUS**

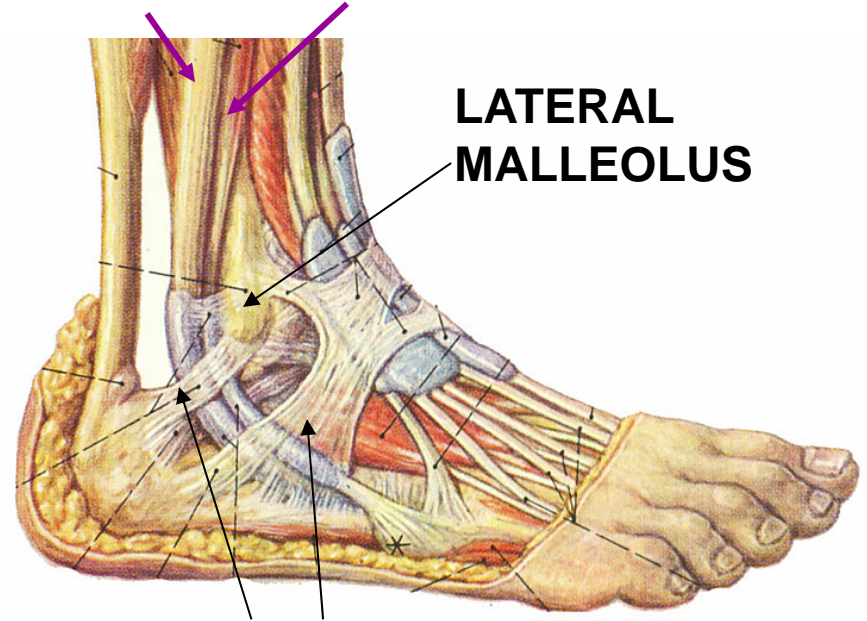
Muscles act to evert foot; tendons pass beneath lateral malleolus (acts as pulley) and beneath **Superior and Inferior Peroneal retinacula**; Innervated by **Superficial Peroneal Nerve**.



**PERONEUS LONGUS**

**PERONEUS BREVIS**

**LATERAL MALLEOLUS**



**Superior and Inferior Peroneal retinacula**

**ORIGIN - FIBULA**

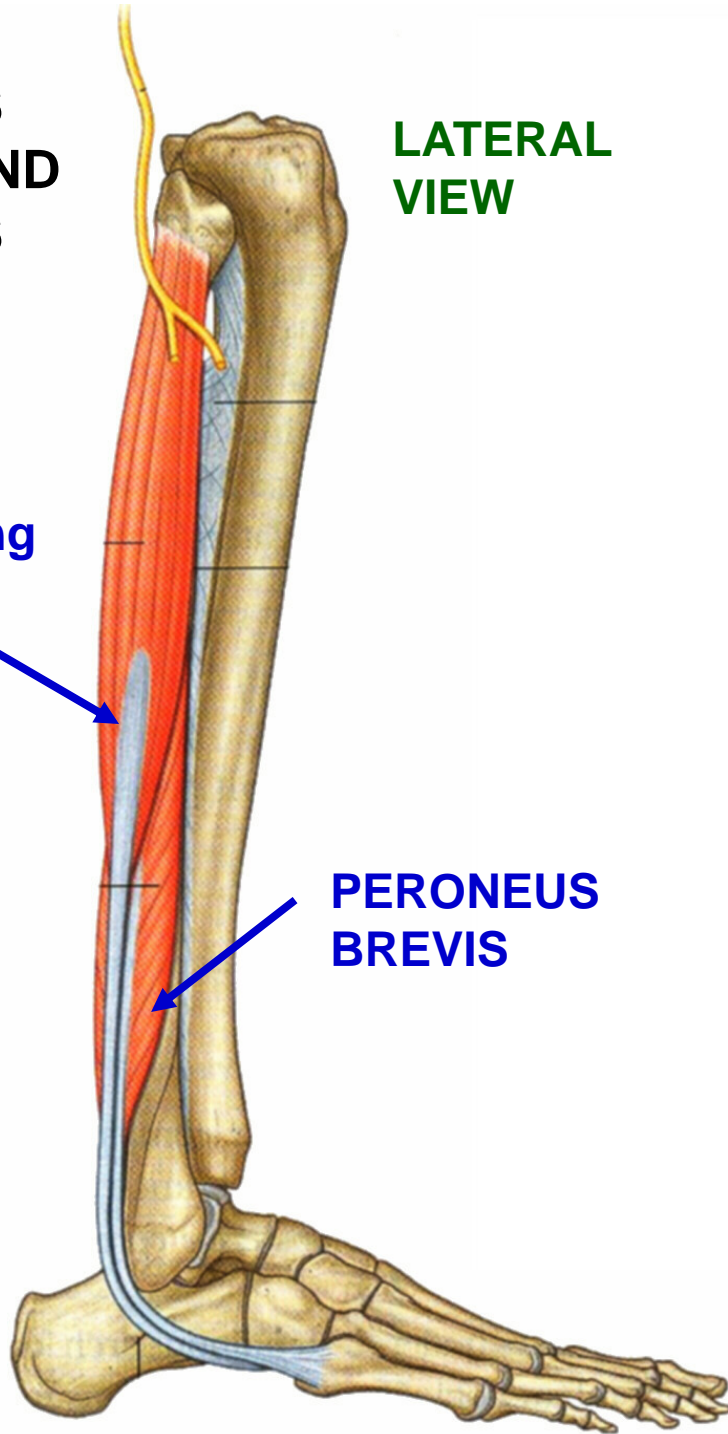
**PERONEUS  
LONGUS AND  
PERONEUS  
BREVIS**

**LATERAL  
VIEW**

**PERONEUS  
LONGUS - long  
tendon  
superficial**

**ORIGIN  
BOTH  
MUSCLES -  
FIBULA**

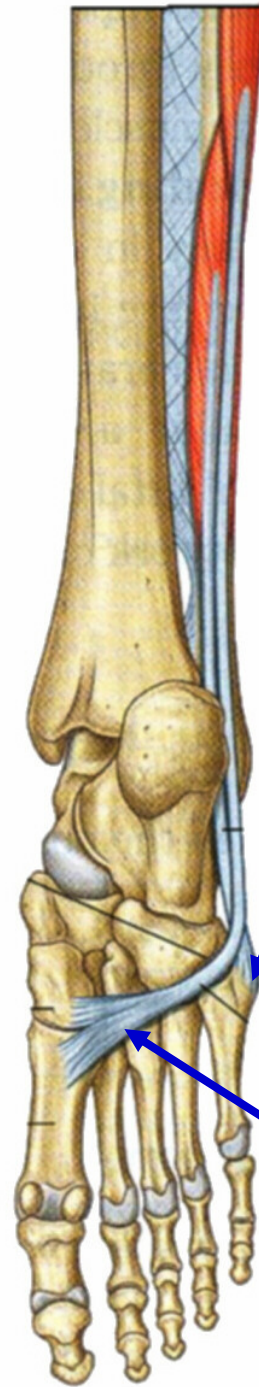
**PERONEUS  
BREVIS**



**POST.,  
INF.  
VIEW**

**PERONEUS  
BREVIS -  
FIFTH  
METATARSAL**

**PERONEUS  
LONGUS -  
FIRST  
METATARSAL,  
MEDIAL  
CUNEIFORM**



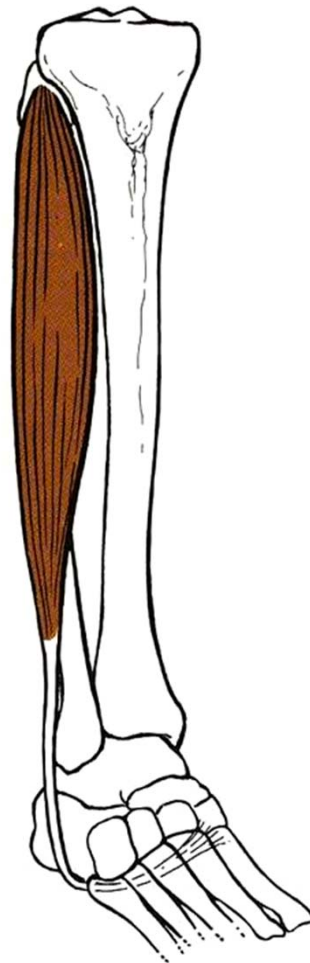
## LATERAL COMPARTMENT

O - both originate on fibula

A. Peroneus Longus - starts laterally and ends on medial side of foot; crosses in deepest layer of foot; I - first metatarsal and cuneiform bone

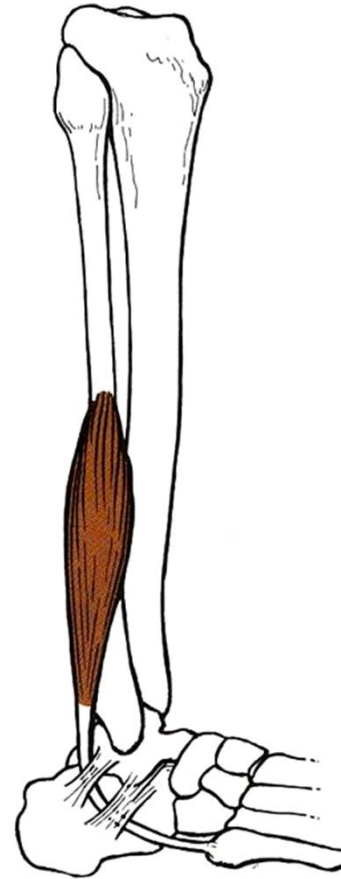
B. Peroneus Brevis - starts and ends laterally; I - fifth metatarsal.

Peroneus Longus



first metatarsal,  
medial cuneiform

Peroneus Brevis



fifth metatarsal

**ACTION -  
BOTH EVERT  
FOOT**



**DEEP  
PERONEAL  
NERVE**

**ANTERIOR**

**SUPERFICIAL  
PERONEAL  
NERVE**

**DORSIFLEX  
FOOT**



**Tibia**

**Fibula**

**LATERAL  
EVERT  
FOOT**

**BIG  
TOE**



**POSTERIOR**

**PLANTAR  
FLEX  
FOOT**



**TIBIAL  
NERVE**

**NOTE: MUSCLES  
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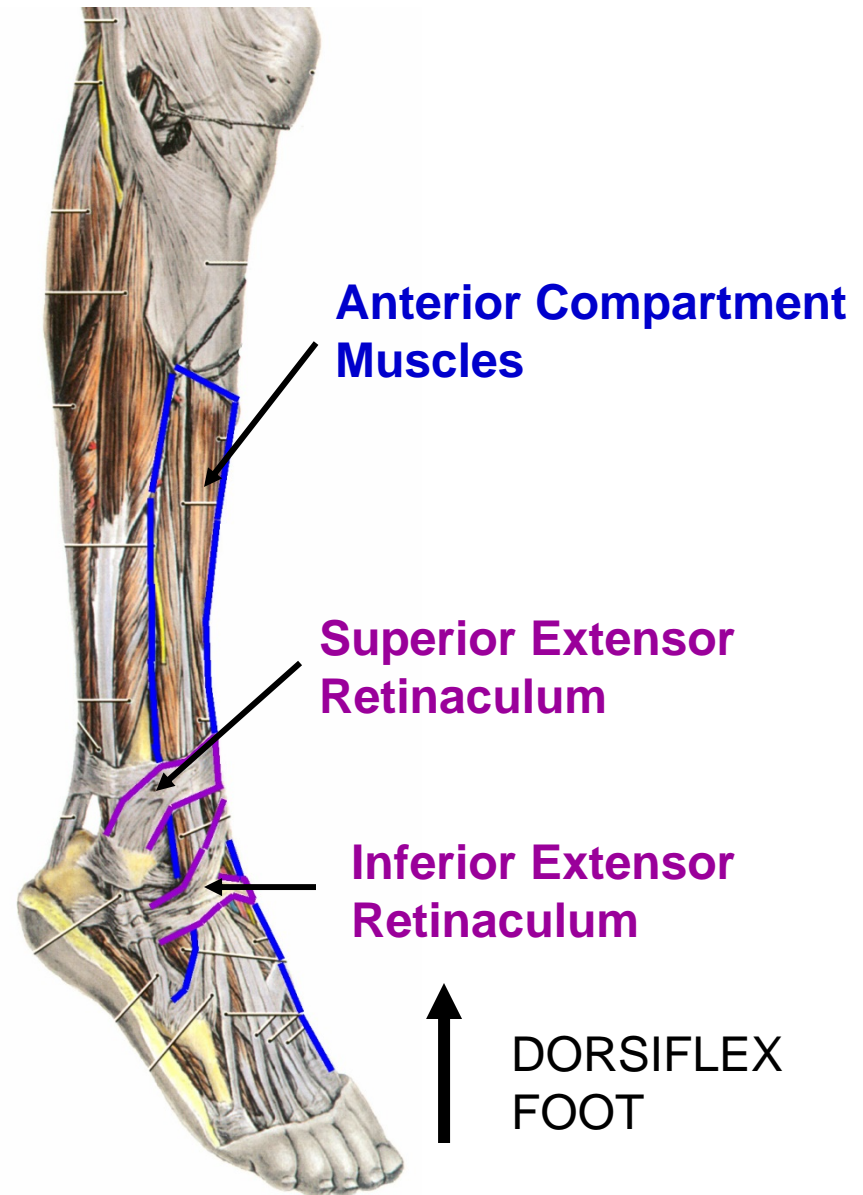


## VI. ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT

muscle bellies in anterior leg, tightly covered by dense fascia; tendons pass beneath extensor retinacula to dorsum of foot and toes; Innervated by Deep Peroneal Nerve.

**ALL ACT - TO DORSIFLEX ANKLE**

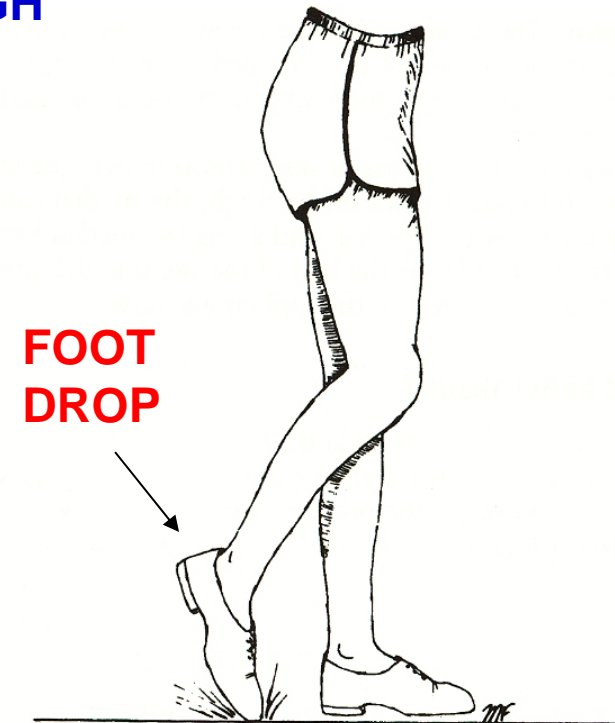
**A. Retinacula - Superior and Inferior Extensor Retinacula on Anterior Side of Ankle and Foot**



## ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT



FASCIA IS TOUGH AND TIGHT



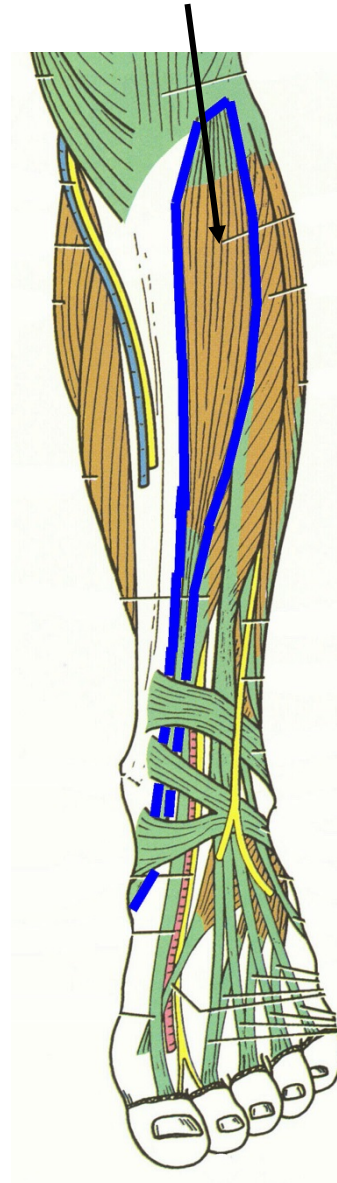
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## ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT

1. Tibialis anterior -  
major Inverter of foot  
and antagonist to  
Peroneus longus  
(ends on same bones,  
medial cuneiform and  
first metatarsal).

O - Tibia  
I - First metatarsal,  
medial cuneiform  
Act - **Dorsiflex**  
ankle,  
**Invert** foot

Tibialis anterior



## ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT

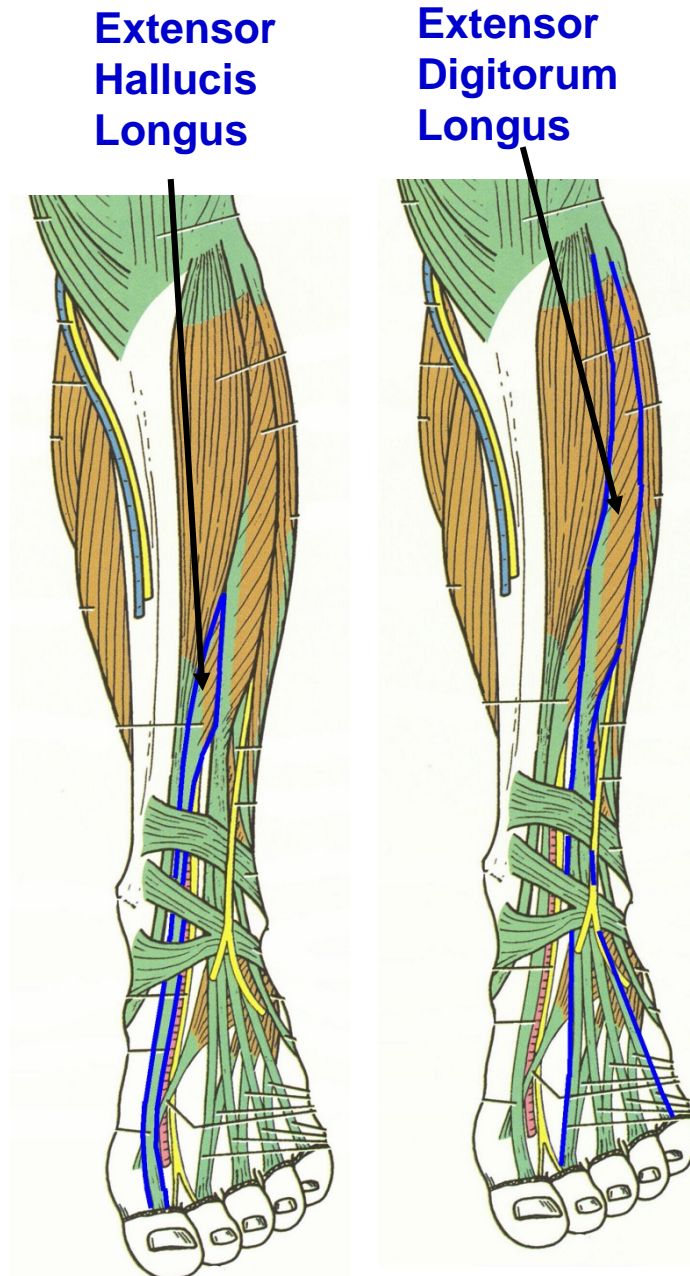
2. Extensor Hallucis Longus  
and 3. Extensor digitorum longus - end on extensor expansions, which pass to middle and distal phalanges.

### Extensor Hallucis Longus

O - Fibula and Interosseus Membrane  
I - Distal Phalanx Big Toe  
Act - Dorsiflex Ankle,  
Extend Big Toe

### Extensor Digitorum Longus

O - Tibia and Interosseus Membrane  
I - Distal Phalanges Other Toes  
Act - Dorsiflex ankle,  
Extend Toes



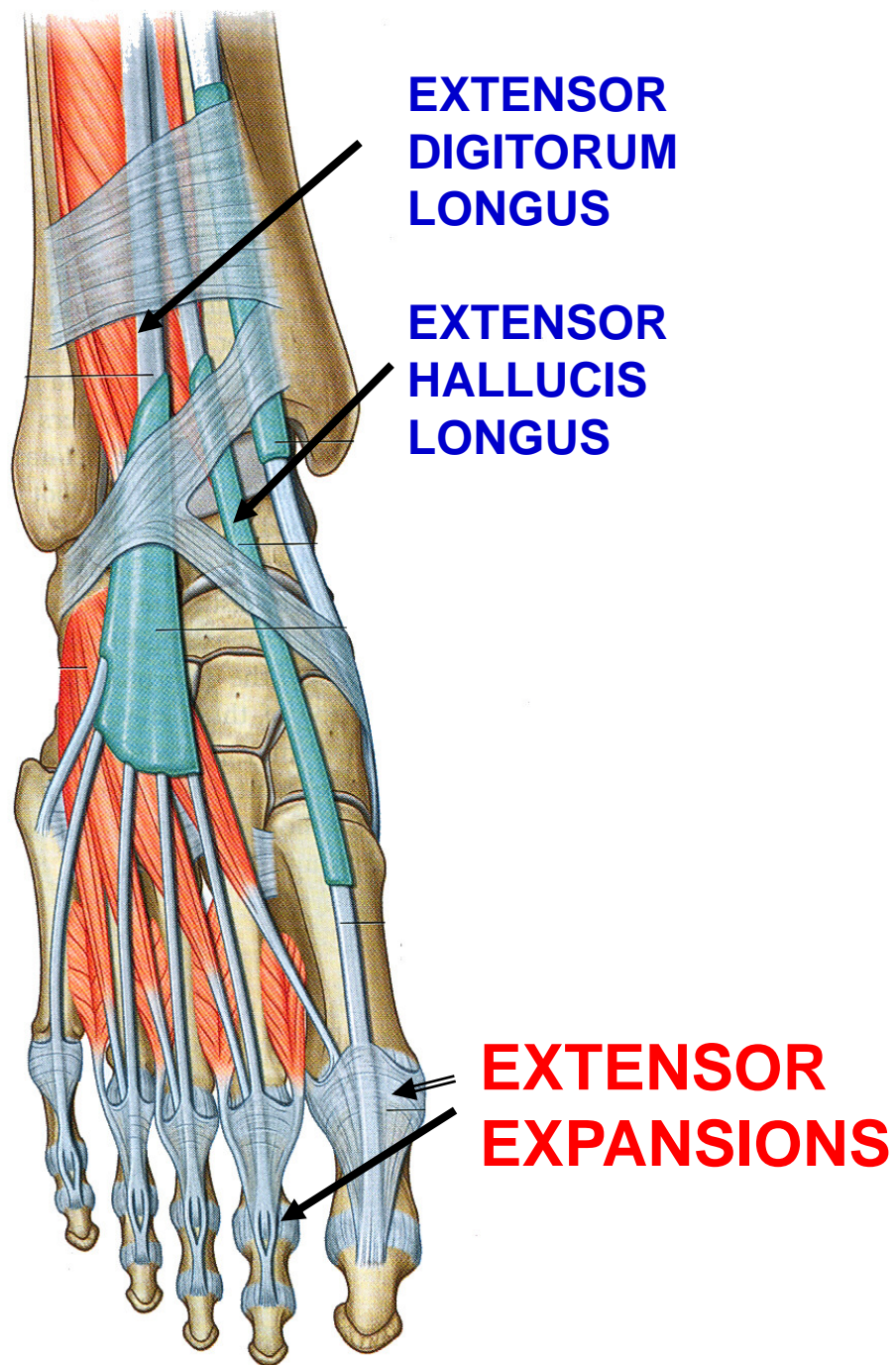


## EXTENSOR EXPANSIONS

tendons of Extensor Digitorum Longus and Extensor Hallucis Longus attach to distal phalanges and Extensor Expansions

**These muscles also attach to Extensor Expansions**

**Extensor Expansions - connective tissue that spreads over dorsal surface of toes; forms 'hood' that attaches proximal, middle and distal phalanges and functions like a retinaculum (prevents bowstringing)**



## ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT AND DORSUM OF FOOT

4. Peroneus Tertius - the 'third peroneal muscle', part of Extensor Digitorum Longus that ends on fifth metatarsal.

### VII. DORSUM OF FOOT

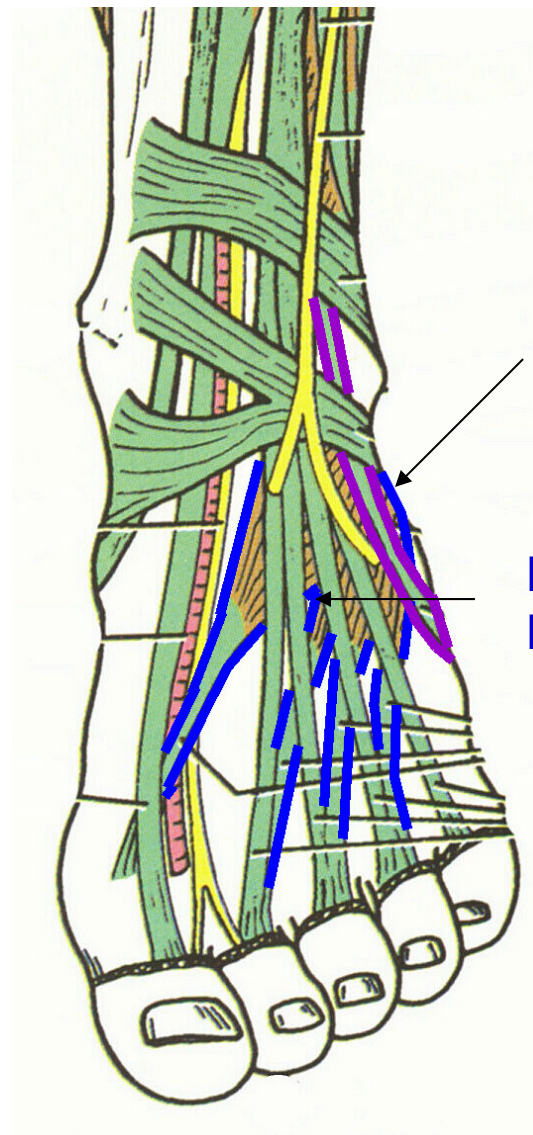
A. Extensor Digitorum Brevis -

O - Calcaneus

I - Phalanges toes 2-4

Innervation - Deep peroneal nerve;

Action - Extend toes.

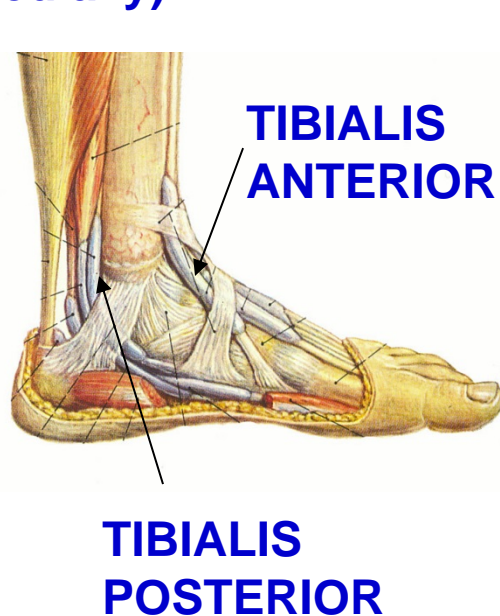


Peroneus Tertius \*

Extensor Digitorum Brevis \*

# SUMMARY OF MUSCLE ACTIONS IN INVERSION AND EVERSION

Muscles that course and end medially **invert foot (turn sole medially)**



Muscles that course **laterally** **evert foot (turn sole laterally)**



## MAIN INVERTERS:

- 1) TIBIALIS ANTERIOR
- 2) TIBIALIS POSTERIOR

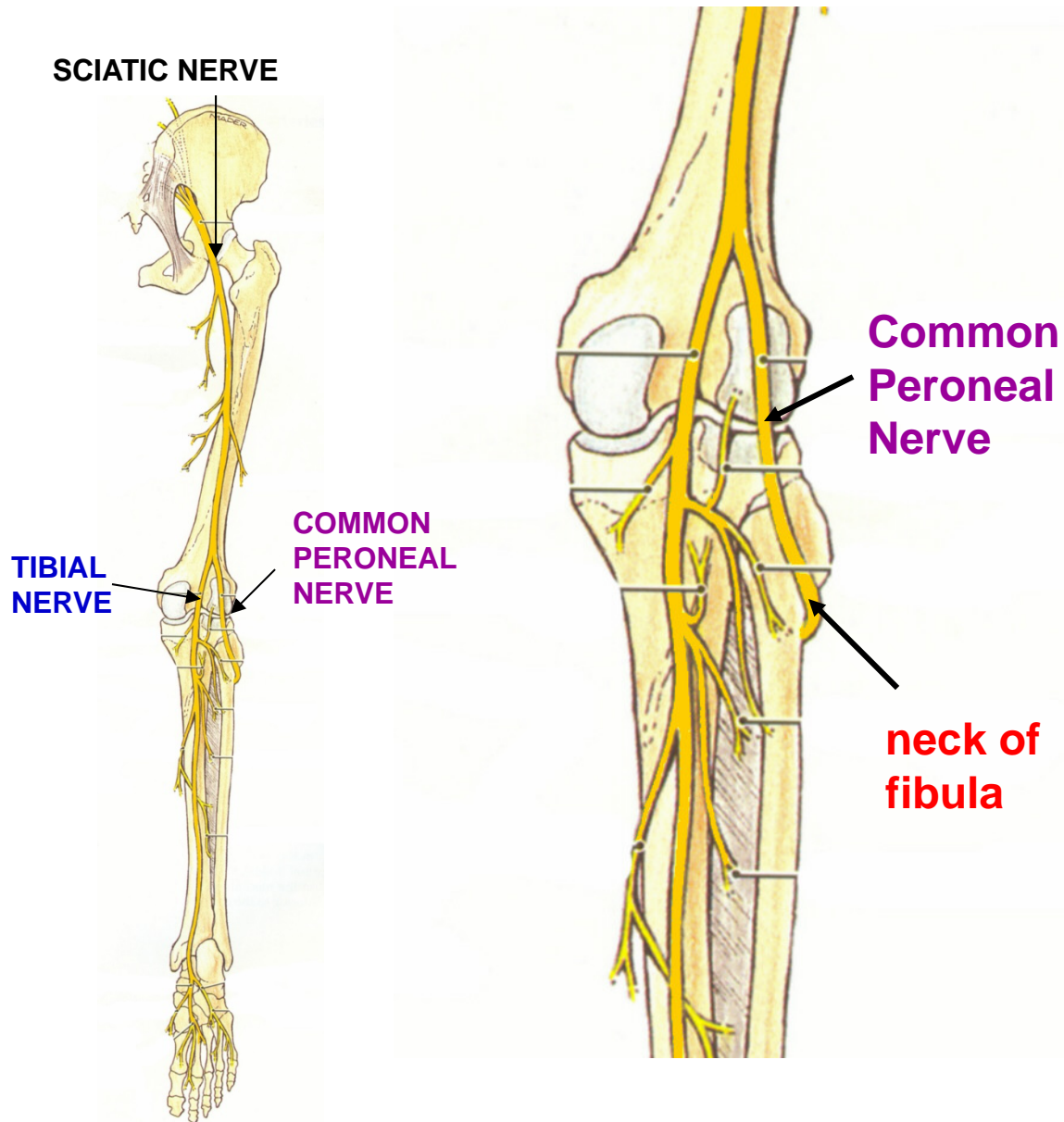
## MAIN EVERTERS:

- 1) PERONEUS LONGUS
- 2) PERONEUS BREVIS  
(PERONEUS TERTIUS)

## IX. NERVES AND ARTERIES

A. Nerves -  
**Sciatic nerve**  
divides into  
**Tibial** and  
**Common  
Peroneal**  
Nerves.

1- **Common  
Peroneal  
Nerve** - leaves  
Popliteal fossa  
and **winds  
around neck of  
fibula; very  
exposed and  
subject to  
damage;  
symptom is  
FOOT DROP.**





# COMMON PERONEAL NERVE DIVIDES TO SUPERFICIAL AND DEEP PERONEAL NERVES

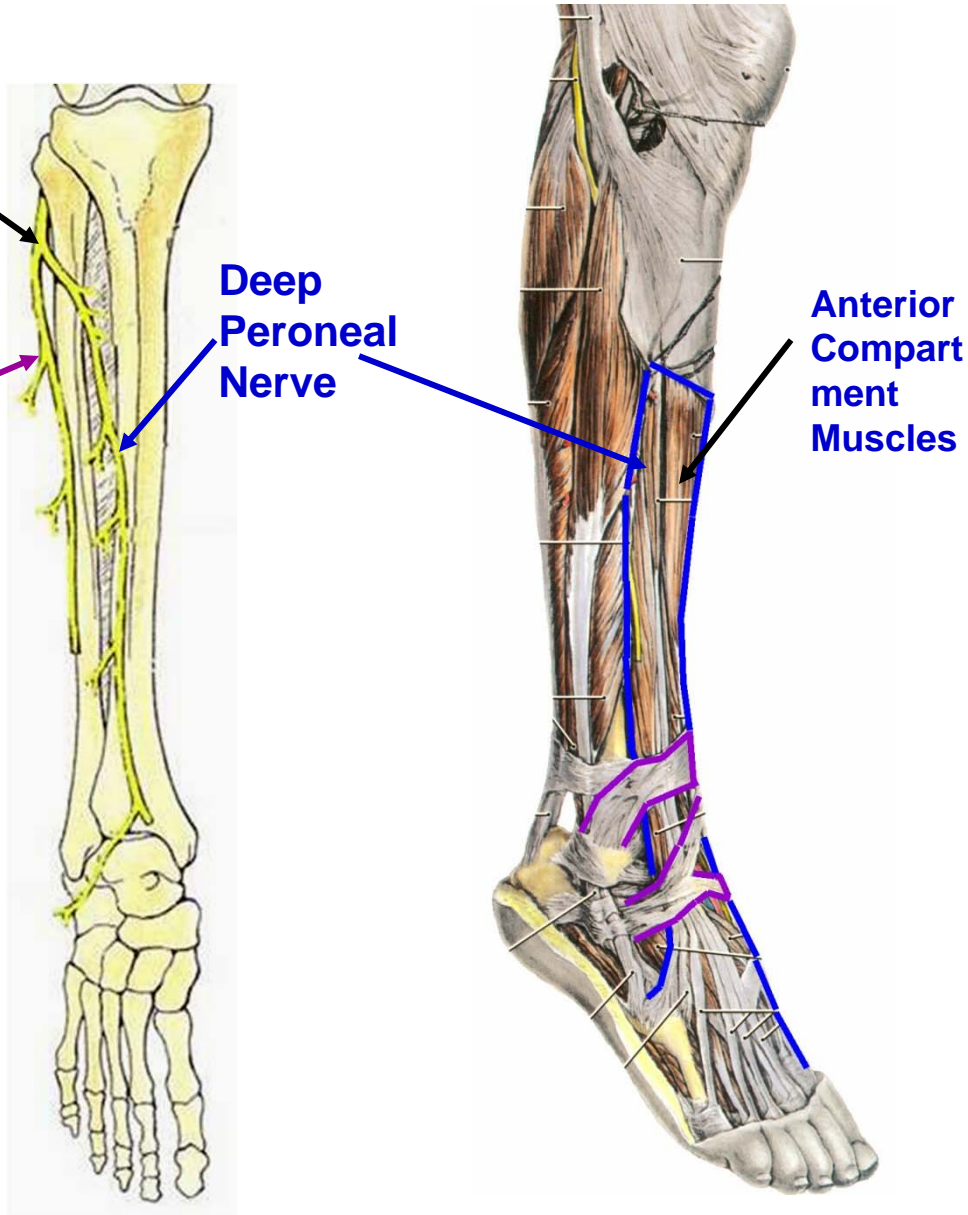
**Common Peroneal Nerve divides**

**Superficial Peroneal Nerve**

**Deep Peroneal Nerve**

**Anterior Compartment Muscles**

a. **Deep Peroneal Nerve** - innervates muscles of anterior compartment



## ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT



FASCIA IS TOUGH AND TIGHT

FOOT DROP -  
foot drags  
when walking

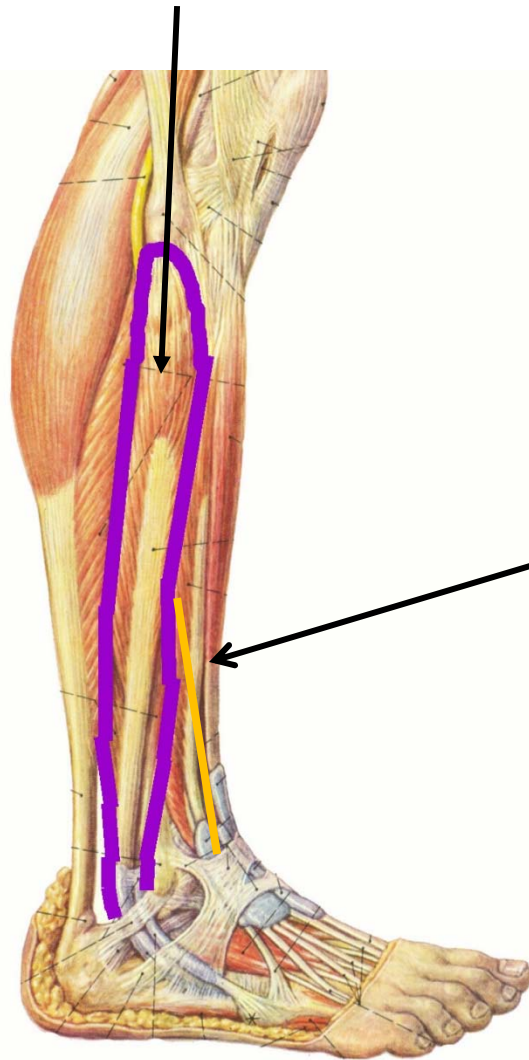
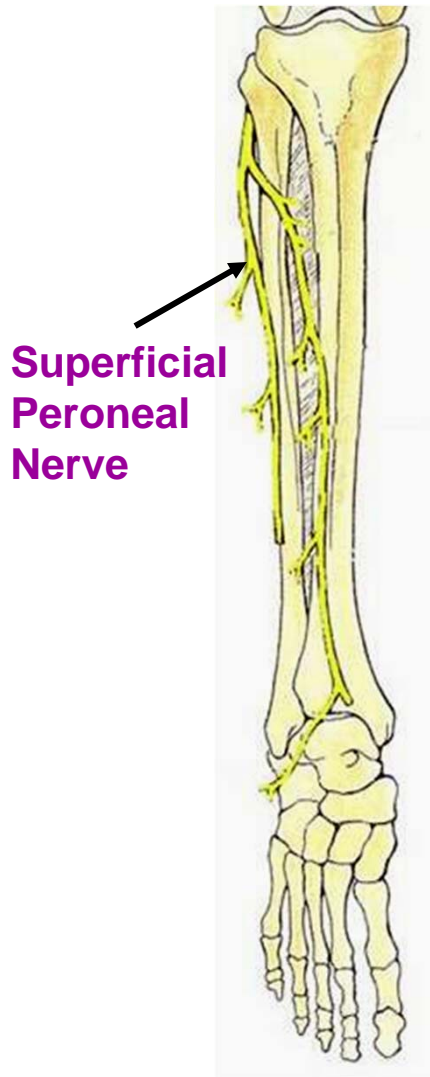


FOOT DROP:  
DAMAGE  
EITHER  
1) COMMON  
PERONEAL  
NERVE  
OR  
2) DEEP  
PERONEAL  
NERVE

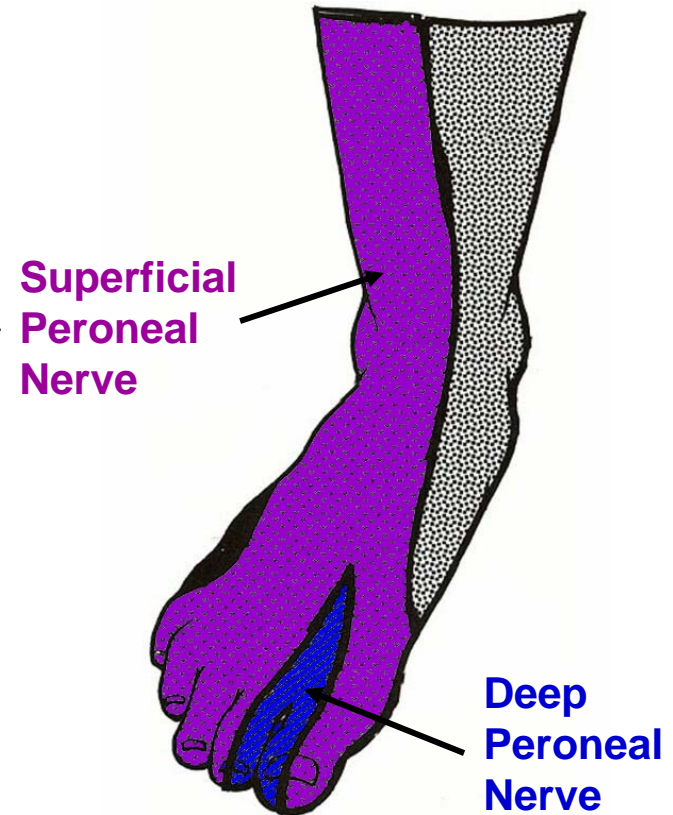
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b. **Superficial Peroneal Nerve** - supplies muscles of lateral compartment;

**Lateral Compartment Muscles**



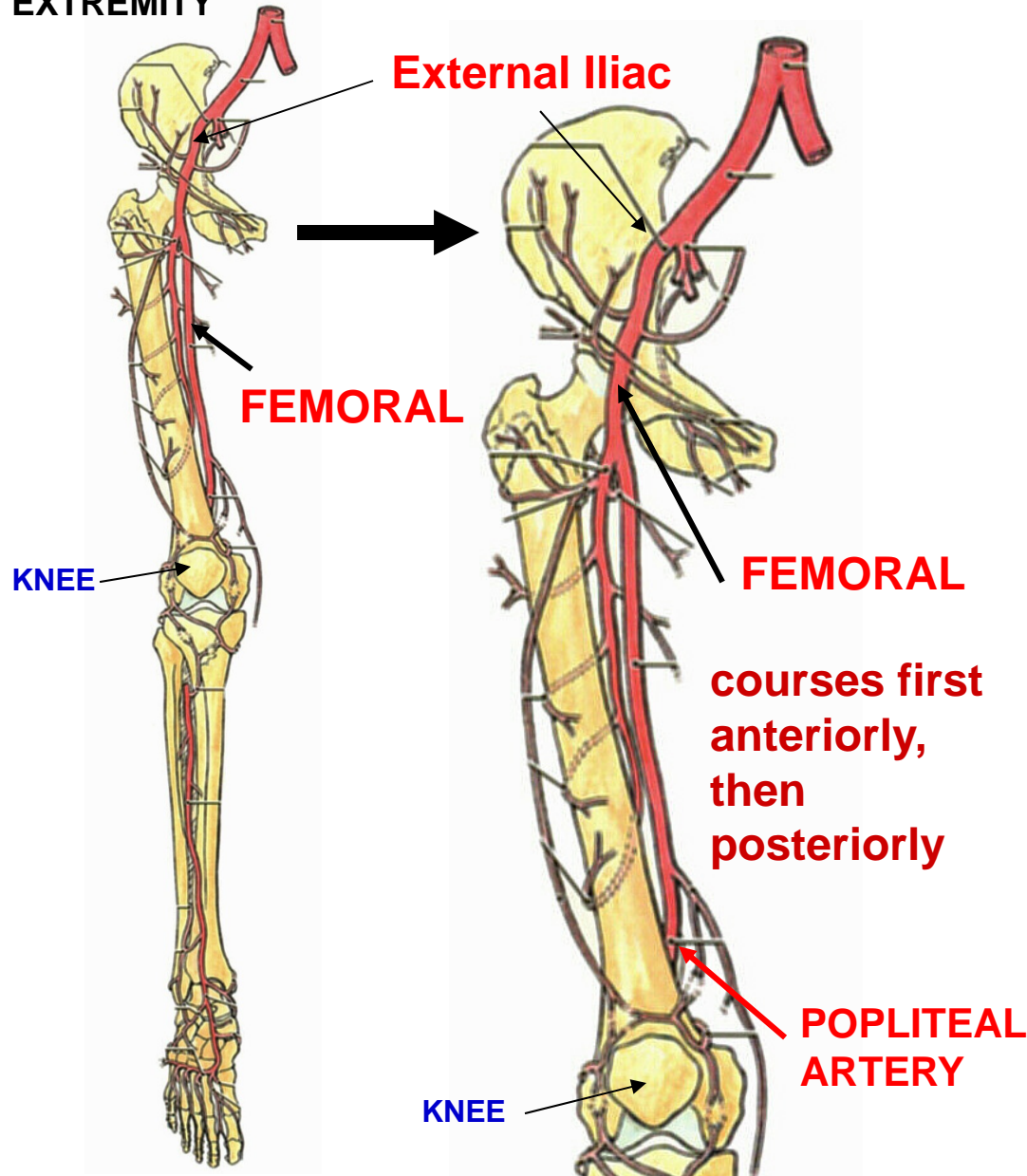
**Superficial and Deep Peroneal Nerves** provide sensory innervation to dorsum of Foot





ANT. VIEW OF LOWER EXTREMITY

# OVERVIEW OF ARTERIAL SUPPLY



**External Iliac** becomes **Femoral Artery** (boundary is inguinal ligament); Femoral artery courses first anteriorly, then posteriorly (because of medial rotation of lower extremity in development); at Adductor hiatus, **Femoral artery** changes name to **Popliteal artery** and courses behind knee.

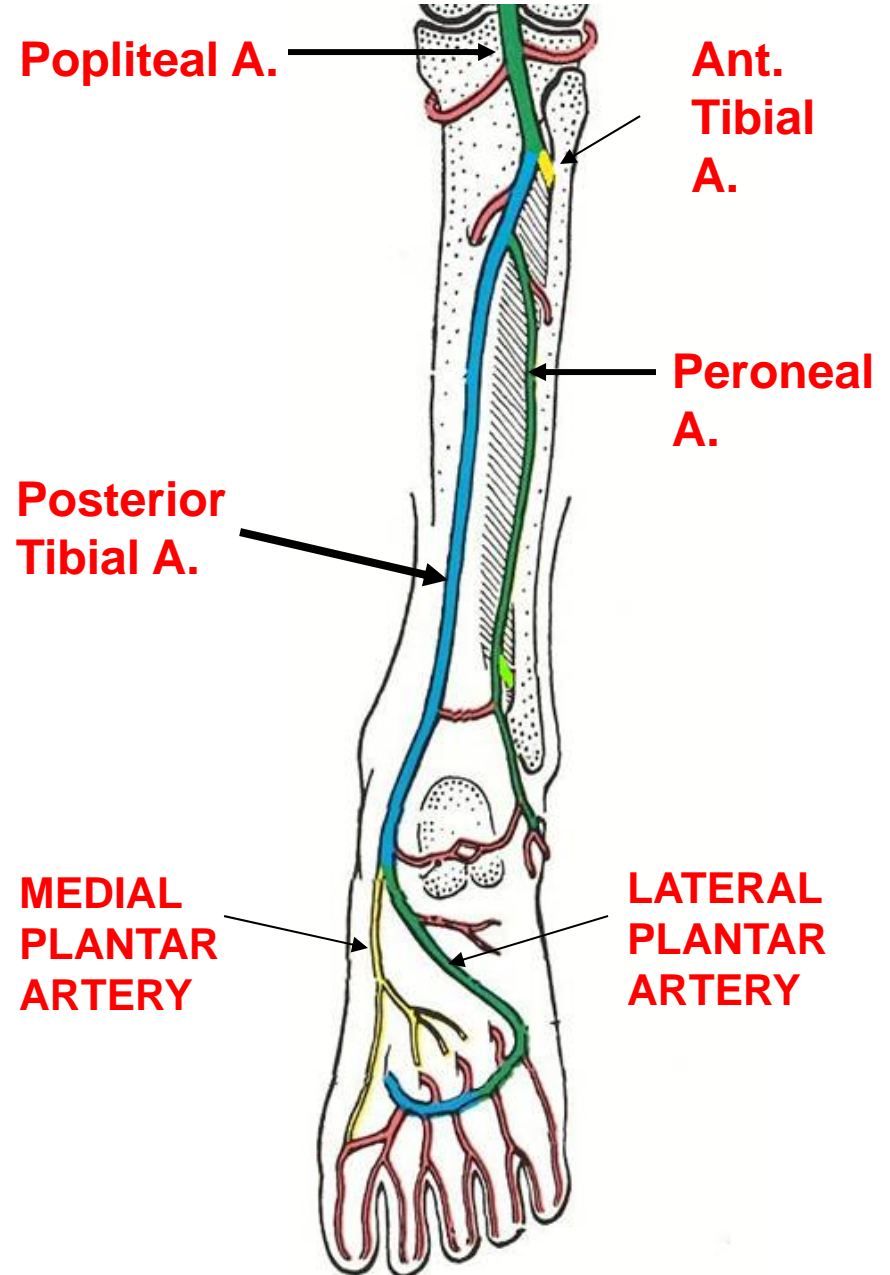


# ARTERIES

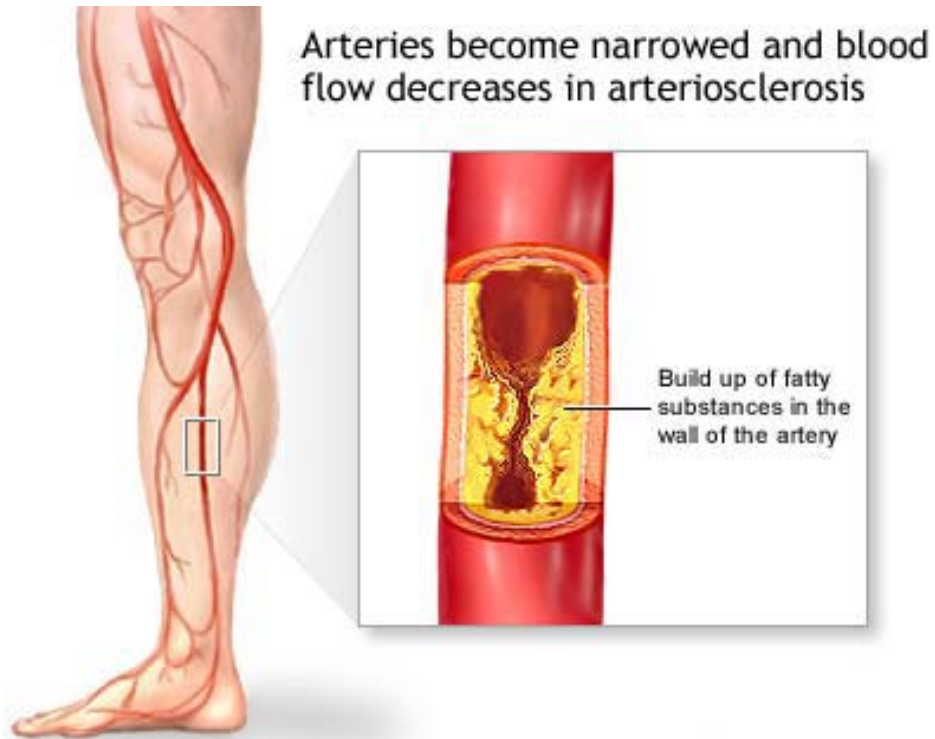
B. Arteries - Popliteal artery ENDS BY dividing into Anterior and Posterior Tibial arteries

1. **Posterior Tibial Artery** - enter **posterior compartment and courses with Tibial nerve**; in foot divides into **Medial and Lateral plantar** arteries.  
branch:

a. **Peroneal Artery** - descends in **lateral part of posterior compartment**; branches to muscles of lateral and posterior compartment.

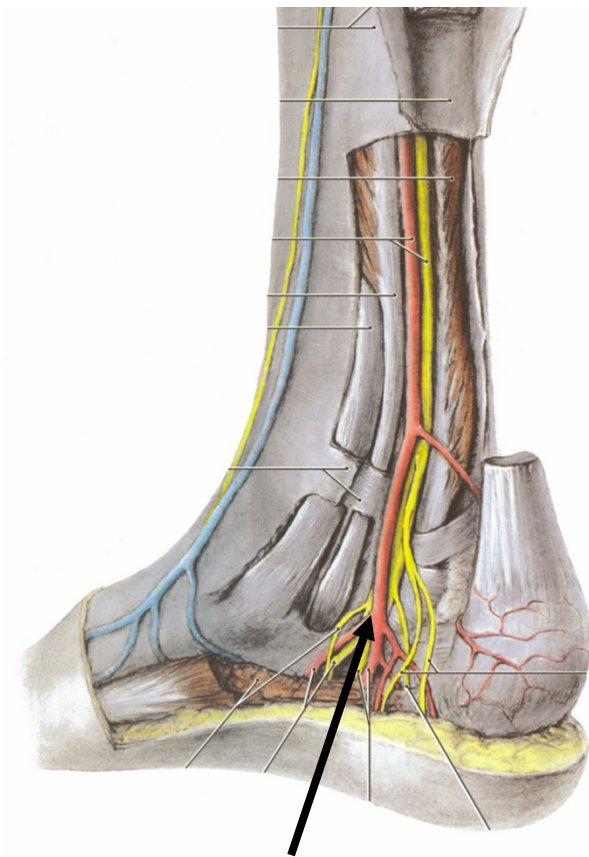


## INTERMITTENT CLAUDICATION



Note: **Intermittent Claudication** (L. claudico, limping) - **Narrowing of posterior tibial artery due to arteriosclerosis**; produces ischemia; patients have **painful cramps when walking but subsides after rest.**

## ARTERIES



Note: **Pulse of Posterior Tibial Artery** - taken between medial malleolus and tendo calcaneus.

# ARTERIES

2. **Anterior Tibial Artery** - passes through Interosseus membrane to anterior compartment; descends with Deep Peroneal Nerve; branches;

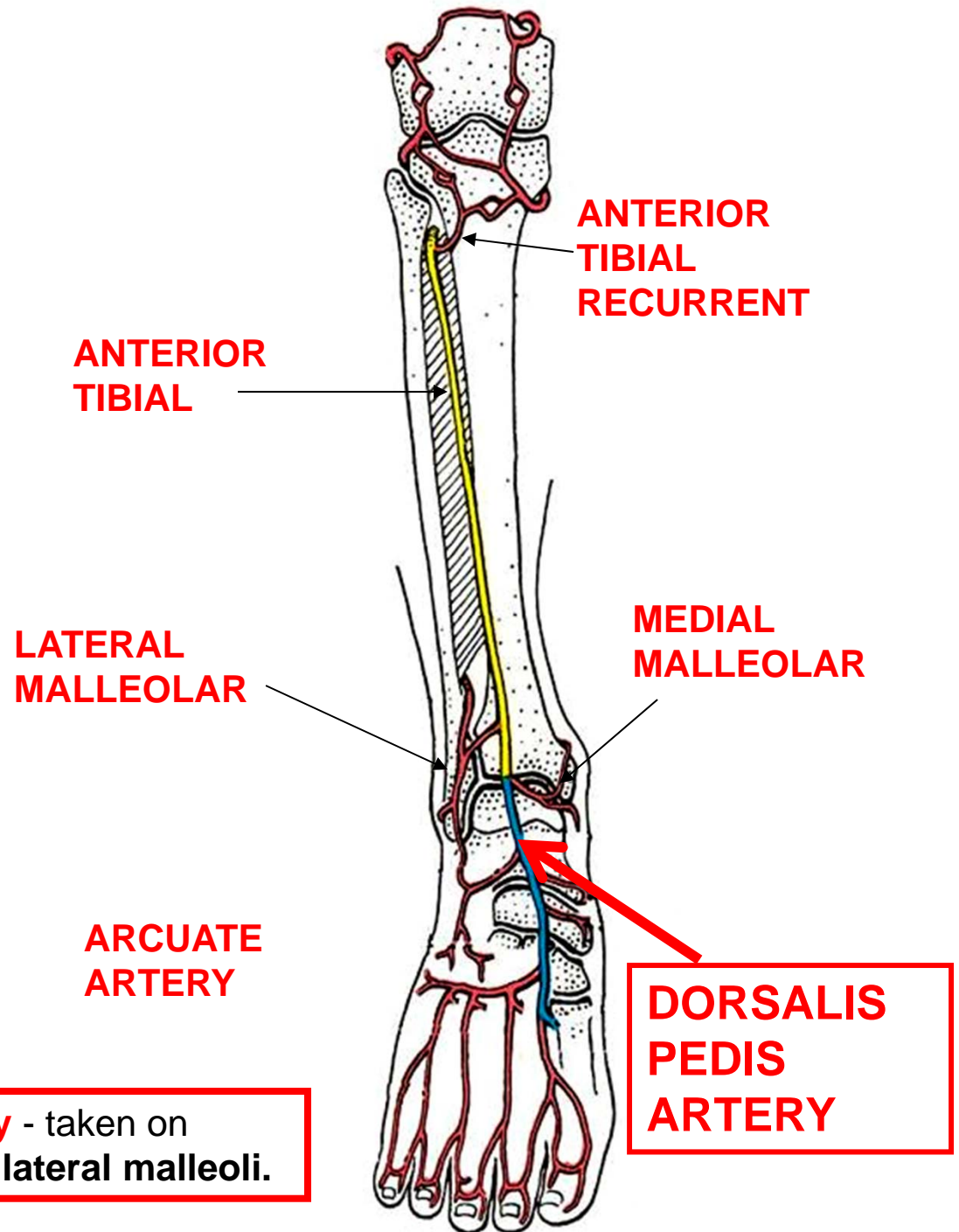
a. **Anterior Tibial Recurrent Artery** - part of anastomosis at knee.

b. **Medial and Lateral Malleolar Arteries** - form anastomosis at ankle.

c. **Dorsalis pedis** - continuation of Anterior Tibial artery

d. **Arcuate artery** - branch of Dorsalis pedis; gives rise to Dorsal Digital arteries to toes.

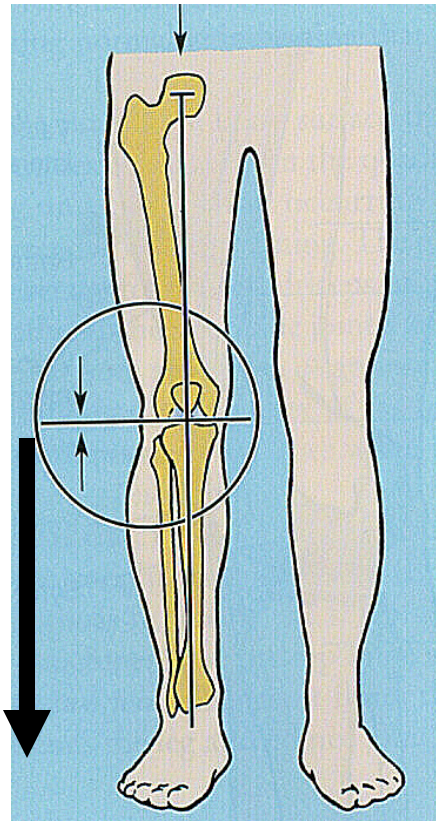
Note: **Pulse of Dorsalis pedis artery** - taken on dorsum of foot **between medial and lateral malleoli.**





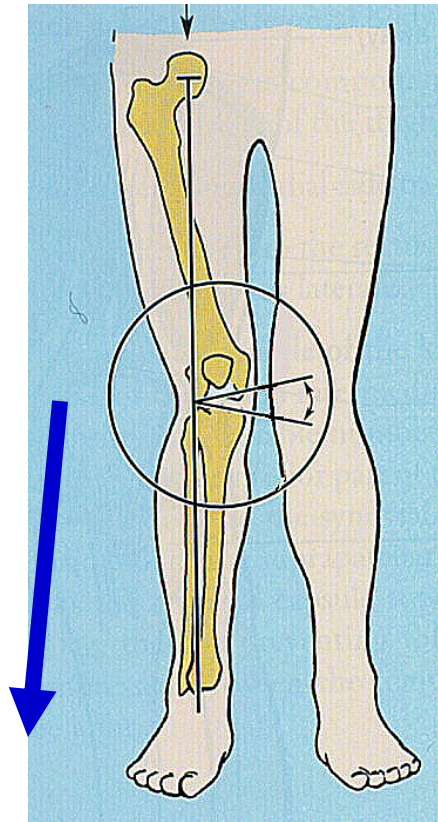
# X. DEFORMITIES OF LOWER LIMB: TERMINOLOGY – Valgus and Varus

**Normal** - Distal bone in joint is parallel to midline



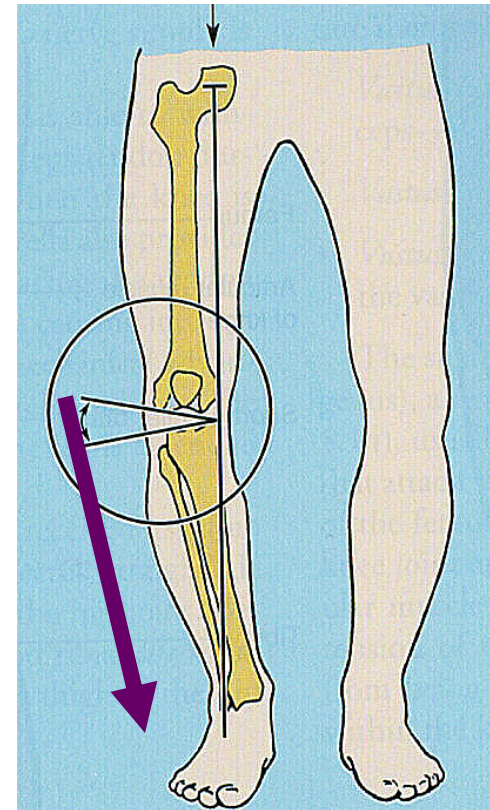
(It's vulgar to be knock-kneed) →

**Valgus** - Distal bone at a joint is deviated laterally away from midline of body



**Genu valgus = knock-kneed;**  
normal in infants 3-5

**Varus** - Distal bone at a joint is deviate toward midline



**Genu varus = bow-legged;**  
normal in infants to age 3



## CAUSES GENU VARUS (BOWLEGGED)

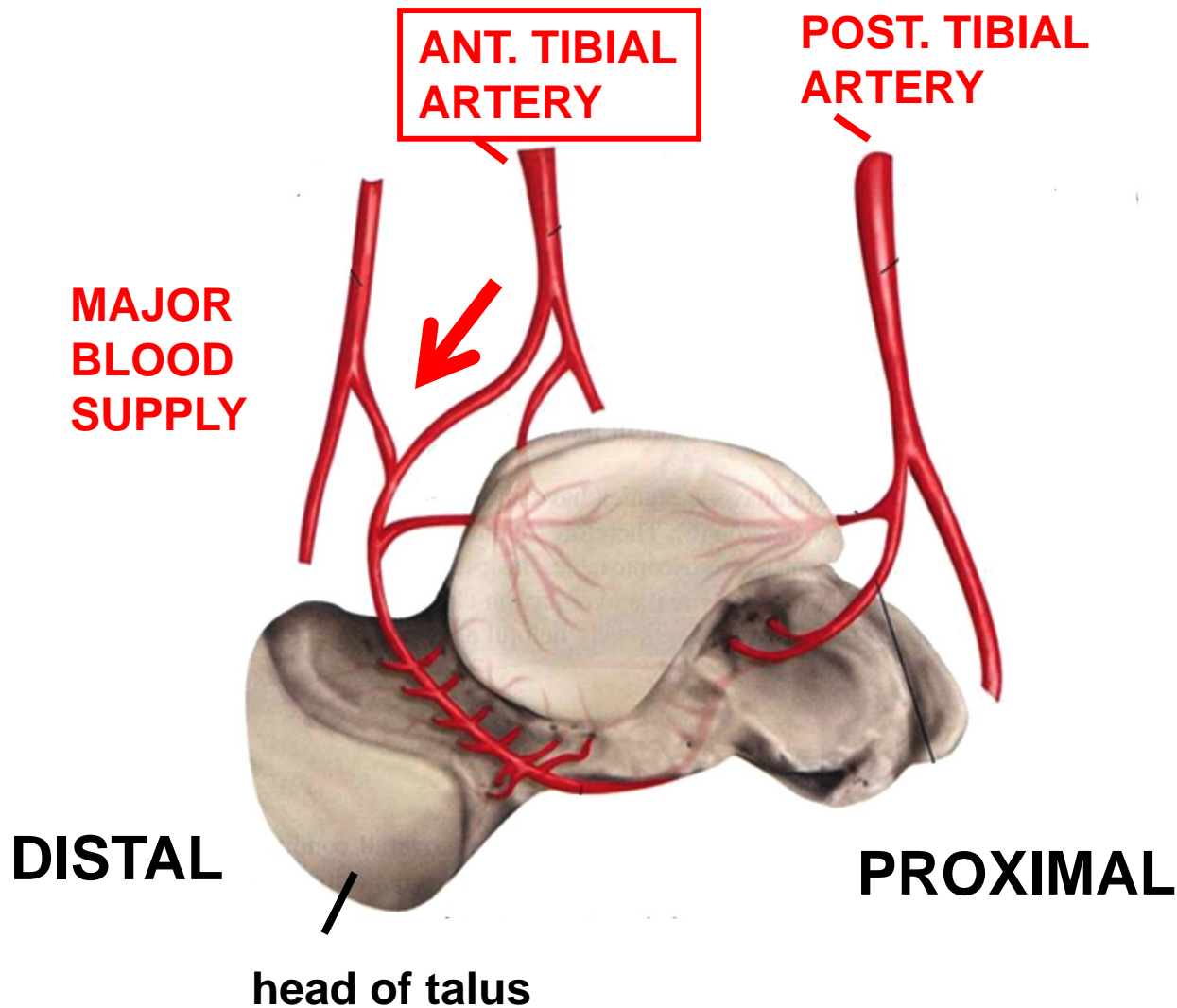
**Blount's disease** - a condition of severe bowleg that occurs more frequently in black children; disease is progressive, and may require surgery.

**Growth disturbance** - or epiphyseal dysplasia, which may be a part of a generalized bone growth disturbance.

**Post-trauma** - where injury to the knee causes damage to the growth plate (also called the epiphyseal plate) and abnormal growth around the knee.

**Rickets** - Lack of vitamin D intake, or inability to metabolize Vitamin D due to kidney disease can cause growth disturbance of the bones in the body, including the knee.

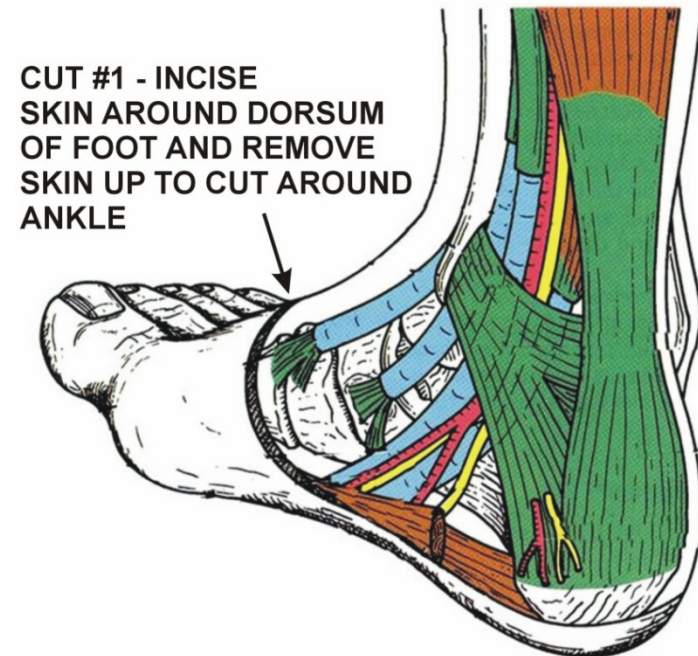
# BLOOD SUPPLY TO TALUS



- In most bones, major blood supply is derived from branches at proximal end of bone
- in Talus (and Scaphoid bone in hand) blood supply enters bone distally
- Fracture of Talus can interrupt blood supply and produce necrosis of Talus

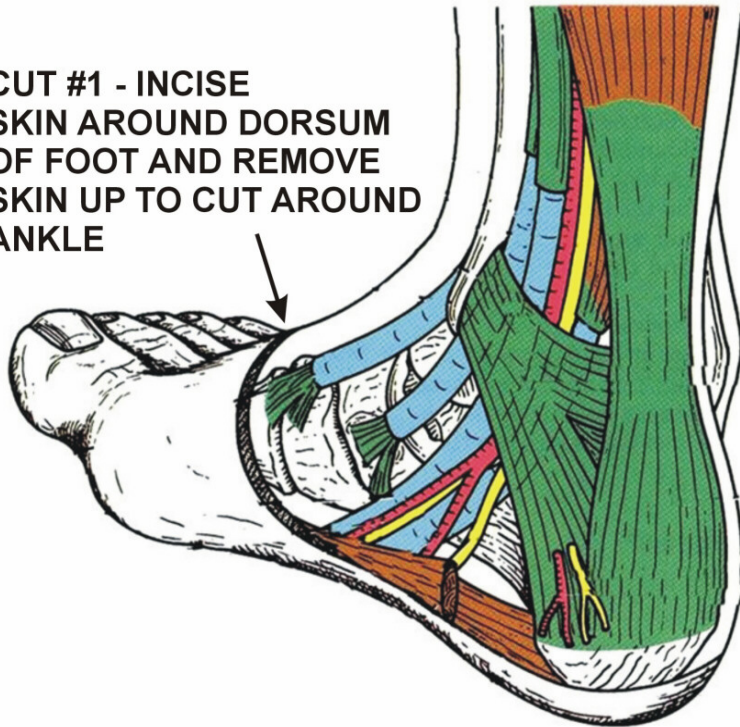
# DISSECTION INSTRUCTIONS LEG: FIRST REMOVE SKIN FROM ANKLE AND DORSUM OF FOOT

Fig. 1 - Incise skin as in diagram at right: remove all skin around ankle and dorsum of foot (extend skinning to some individual toes); this exposes Tom, Dick and Harry, Peroneal muscle tendons and tendons of muscles of Anterior Compartment.



# SIMILAR TO PROSECTION 310: FIRST REMOVE SKIN FROM ANKLE AND DORSUM OF FOOT

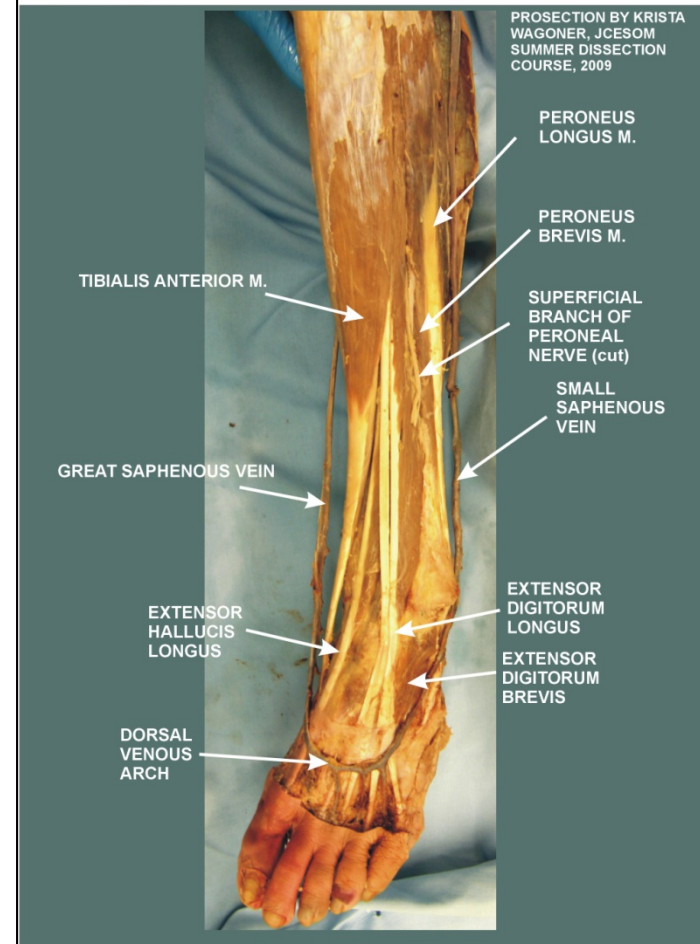
CUT #1 - INCISE SKIN AROUND DORSUM OF FOOT AND REMOVE SKIN UP TO CUT AROUND ANKLE



LOOK AT 310

## DORSUM OF LEG/VENOUS ARCH OF FOOT

310



Also skin one or two toes to see tendons



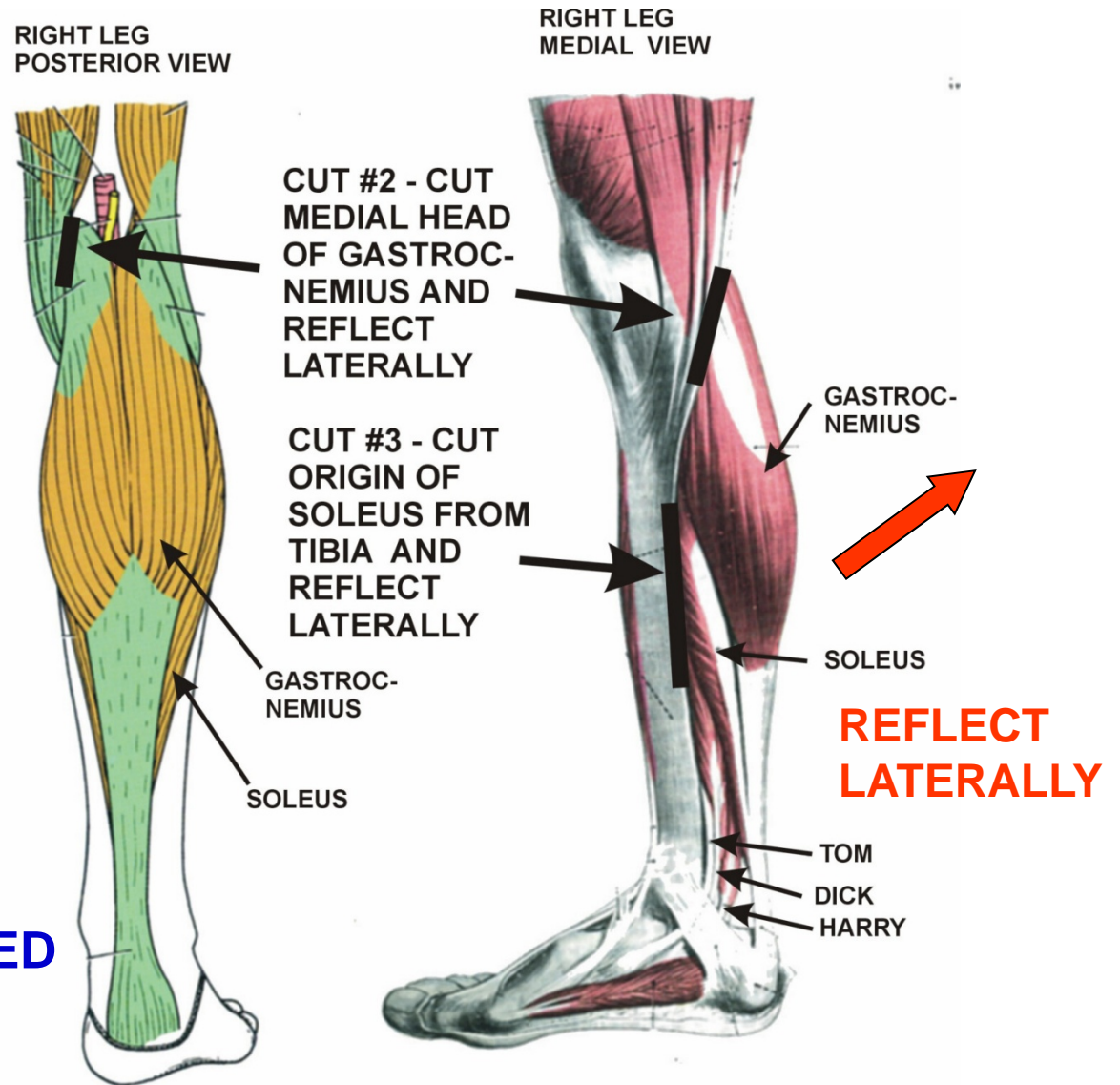
# TURN CADAVER OVER TO PRONE (FACE DOWN) POSITION

## TWO CUTS:

1) CUT MEDIAL HEAD OF GASTROCNEMIUS AT FEMUR

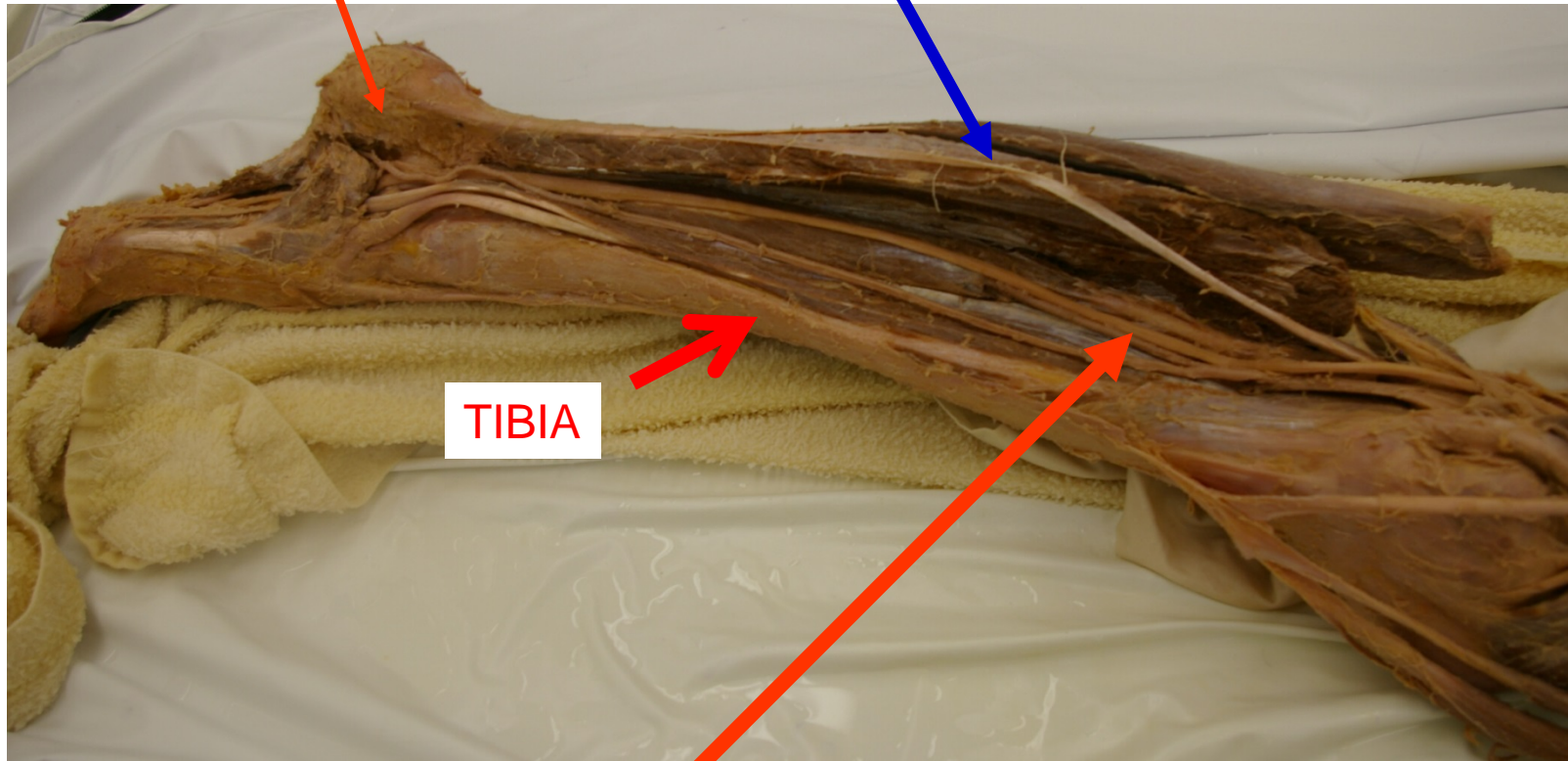
2) PUT FINGER UNDER SOLEUS; THEN CUT ORIGIN FROM TIBIA

3) MUSCLES OF POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT (SUPERFICIAL) CAN THEN BE REFLECTED Laterally



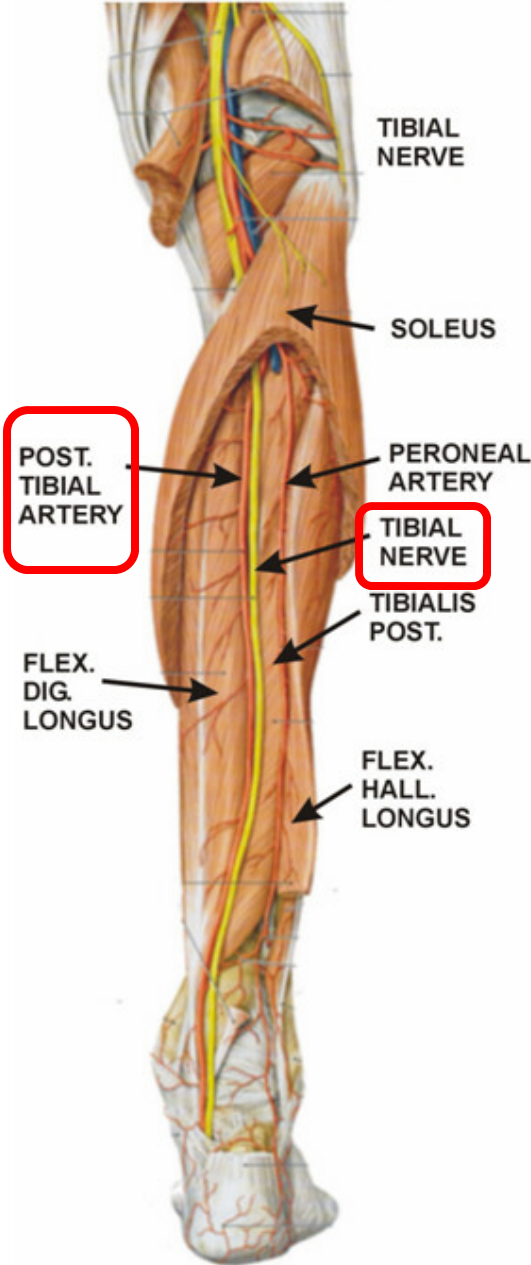
# REFLECT GASTROCNEMIUS, SOLEUS, PLANTARIS LATERALLY

MEDIAL SIDE OF ANKLE OF LEFT LEG



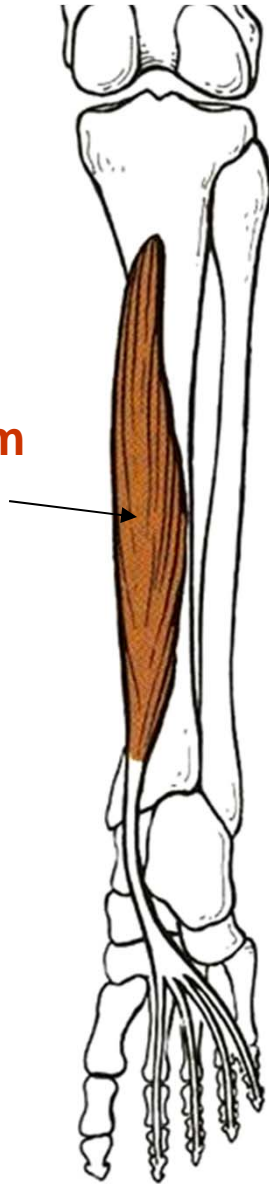
NERVES AND ARTERIES COURSE IN POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT  
BETWEEN SUPERFICIAL AND DEEP GROUPS OF MUSCLES

**POST. SIDE  
RIGHT LEG  
DEEP MUSCLES**

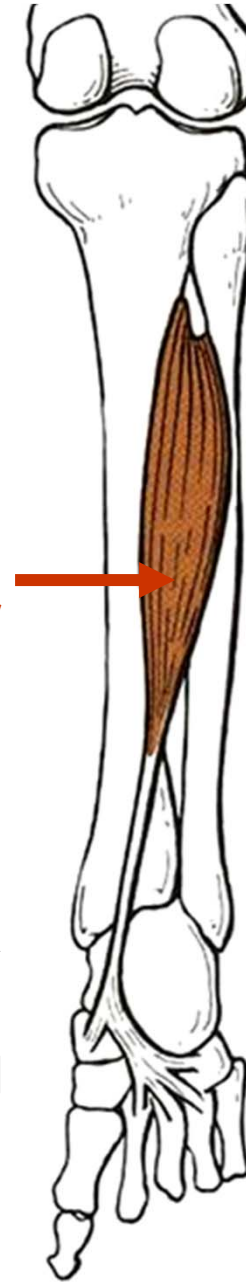


**DEEP  
MUSCLES:  
ORDER IS  
BACKWARD  
LATERAL TO  
MEDIAL**

**Flexor  
digitorum  
longus**



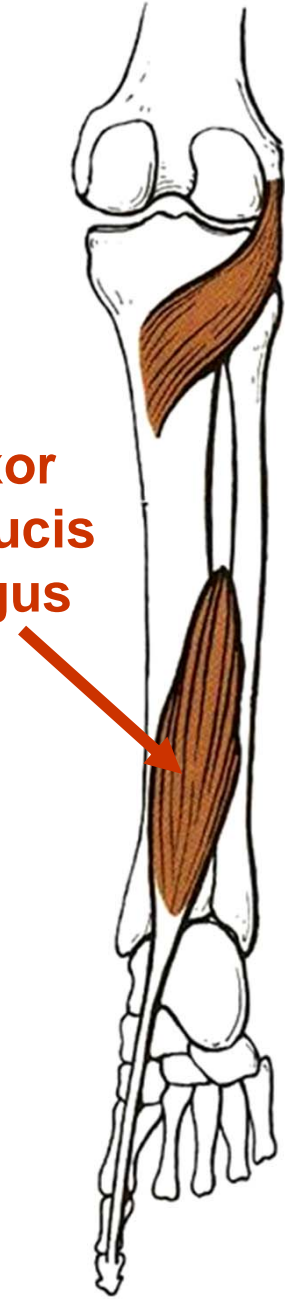
**Tibialis  
posterior**



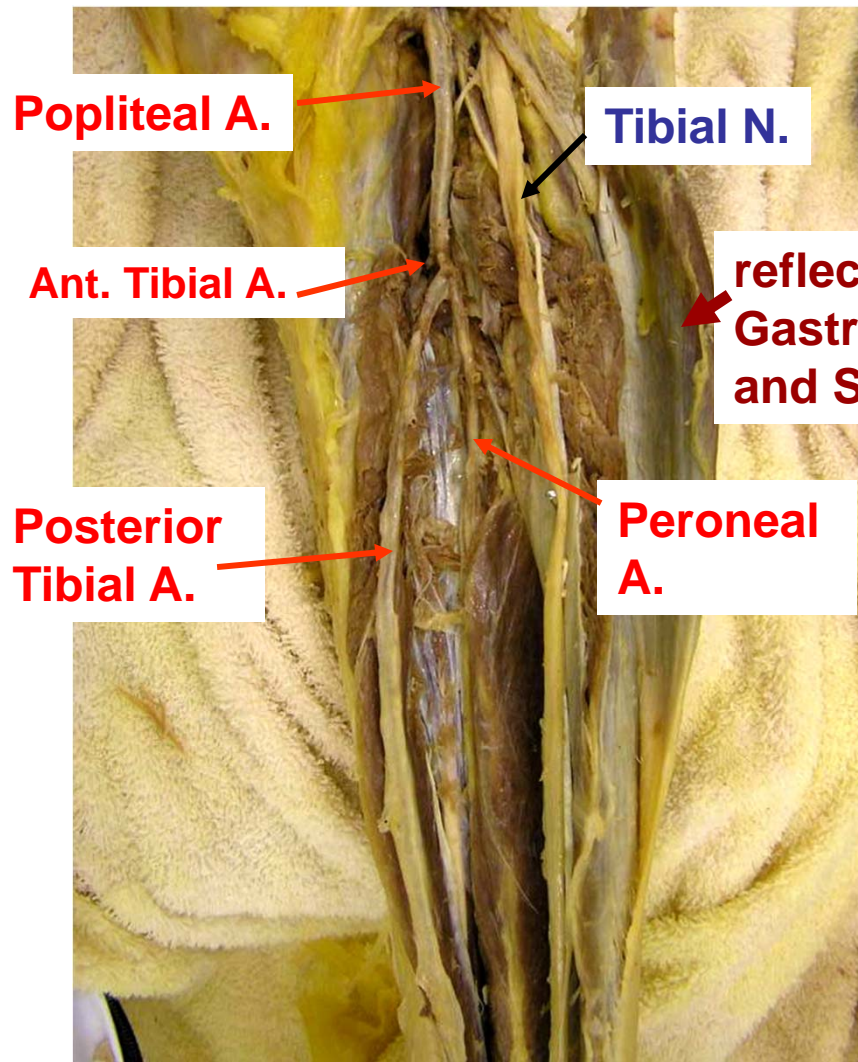
**INVERT**



**Flexor  
hallucis  
longus**





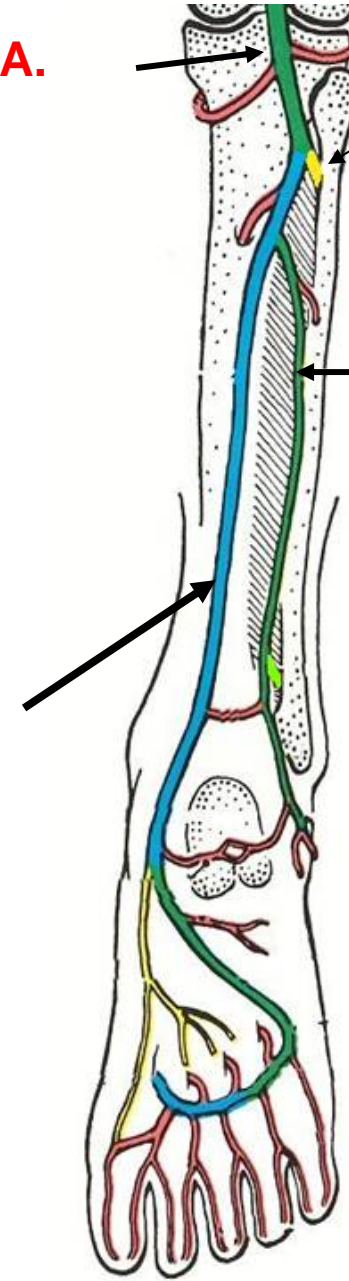


**Popliteal A.**

**Ant. Tibial A.**

**Peroneal A.**

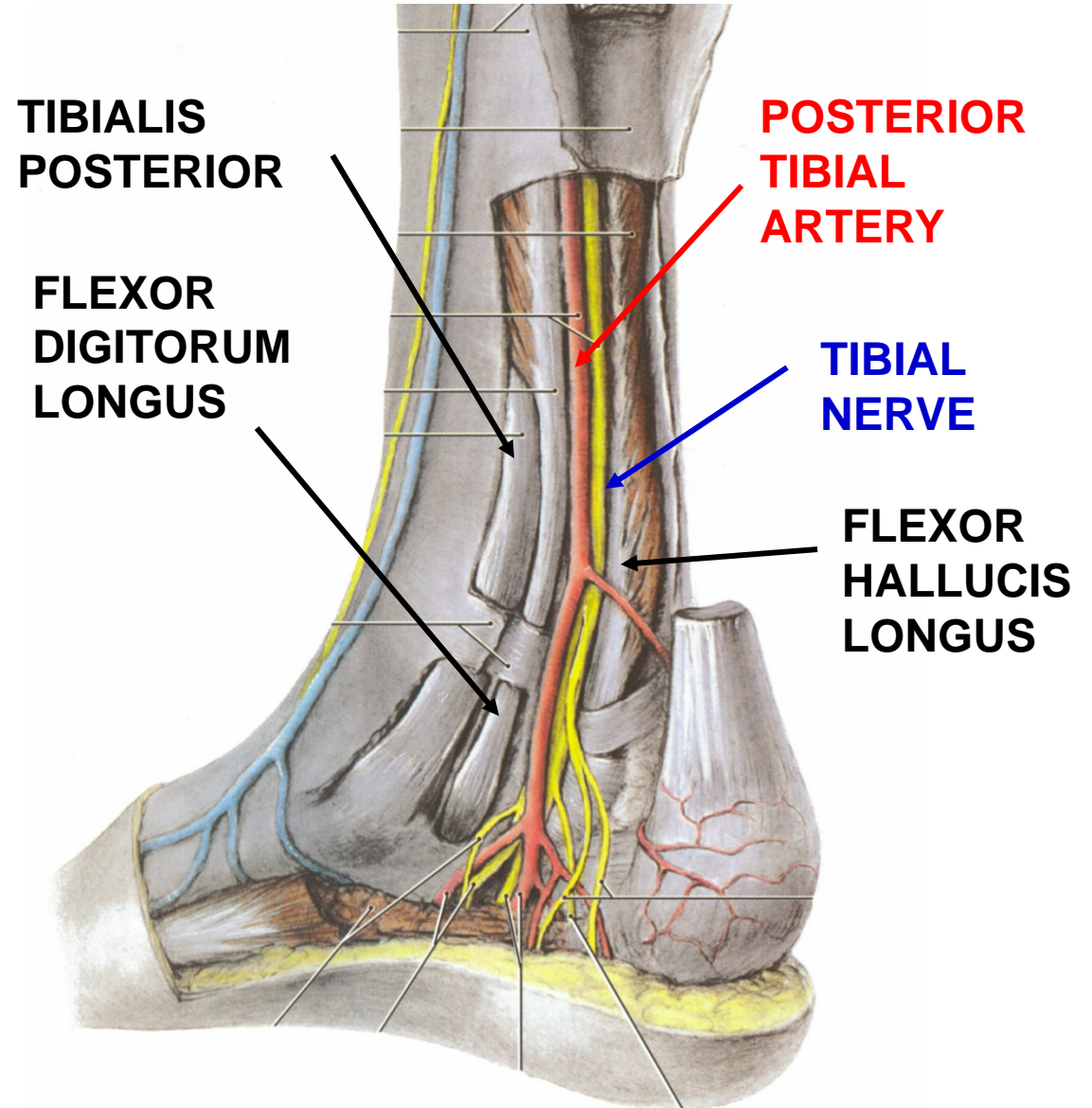
**Posterior Tibial A.**



## TOM, DICK AND HARRY

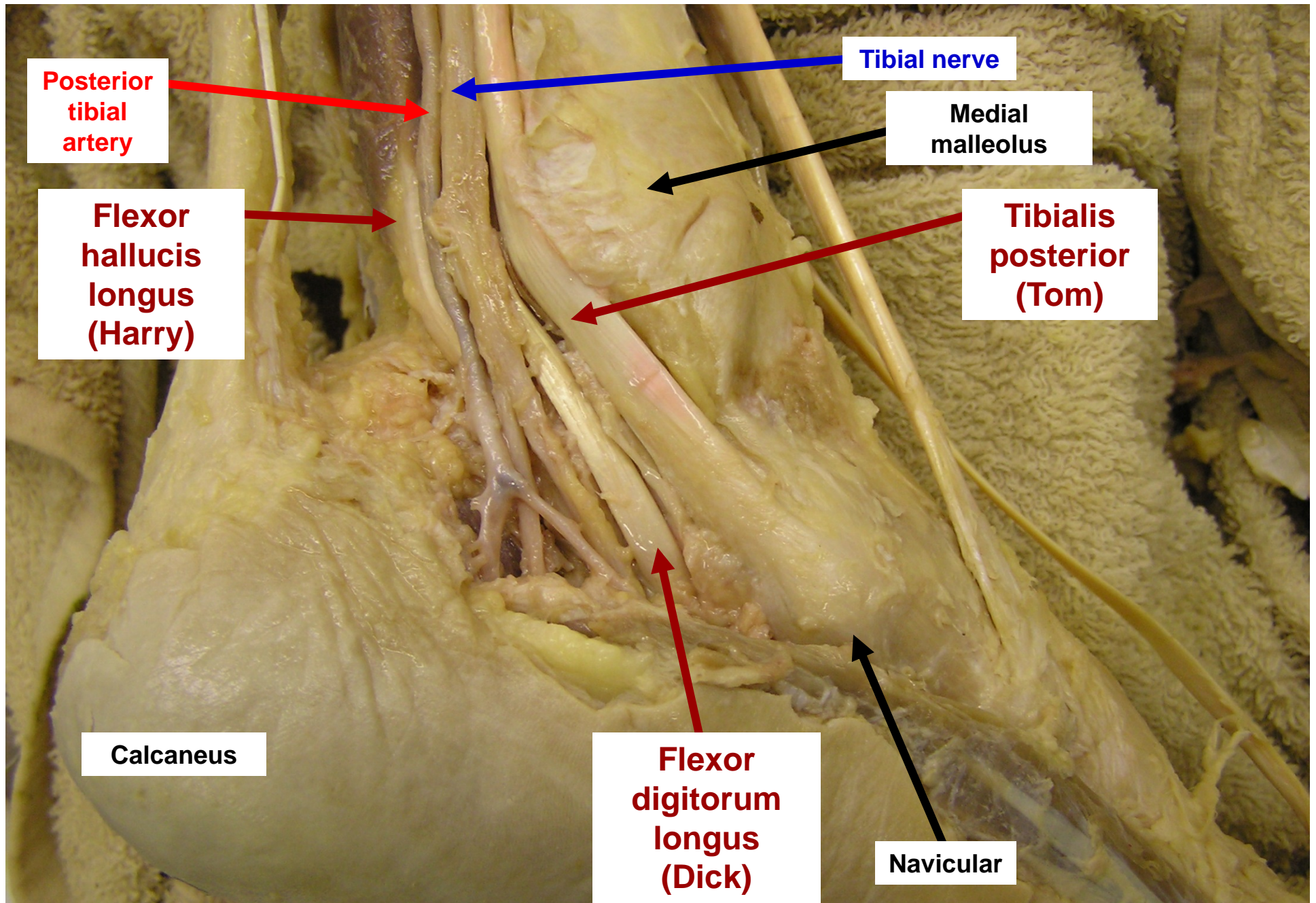
ORDER OF STRUCTURES ON MEDIAL SIDE OF ANKLE - **TOM, DICK AND HARRY** - **T**ibialis posterior (tendon), Flexion **D**igitorum Longus, Posterior Tibial **A**rtery, Tibial **N**erve and Flexor **H**allucis Longus.

**LOOK FOR TENDONS AT MEDIAL ANKLE THEN FOLLOW UP INTO POST. LEG**



Note: Order is important as accidents can happen that sever tendons (i.e. ax strikes ankle when chopping wood).





**Medial side of ankle of left limb: Tom, Dick and Harry**

## TURN CADAVER OVER TO SUPINE (FACE UP) POSITION

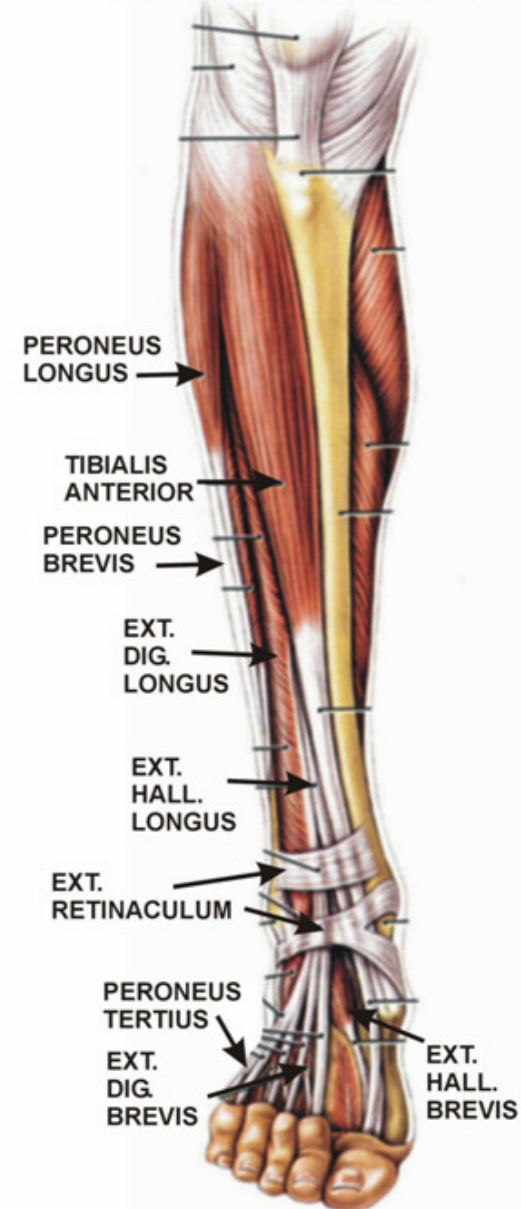
### ANTERIOR AND LATERAL COMPARTMENTS OF LEG -

**Muscles are in a single layer**

- **Remove deep fascia** overlying anterior and lateral compartments. Fascia is particularly tough and may need to be removed in pieces.

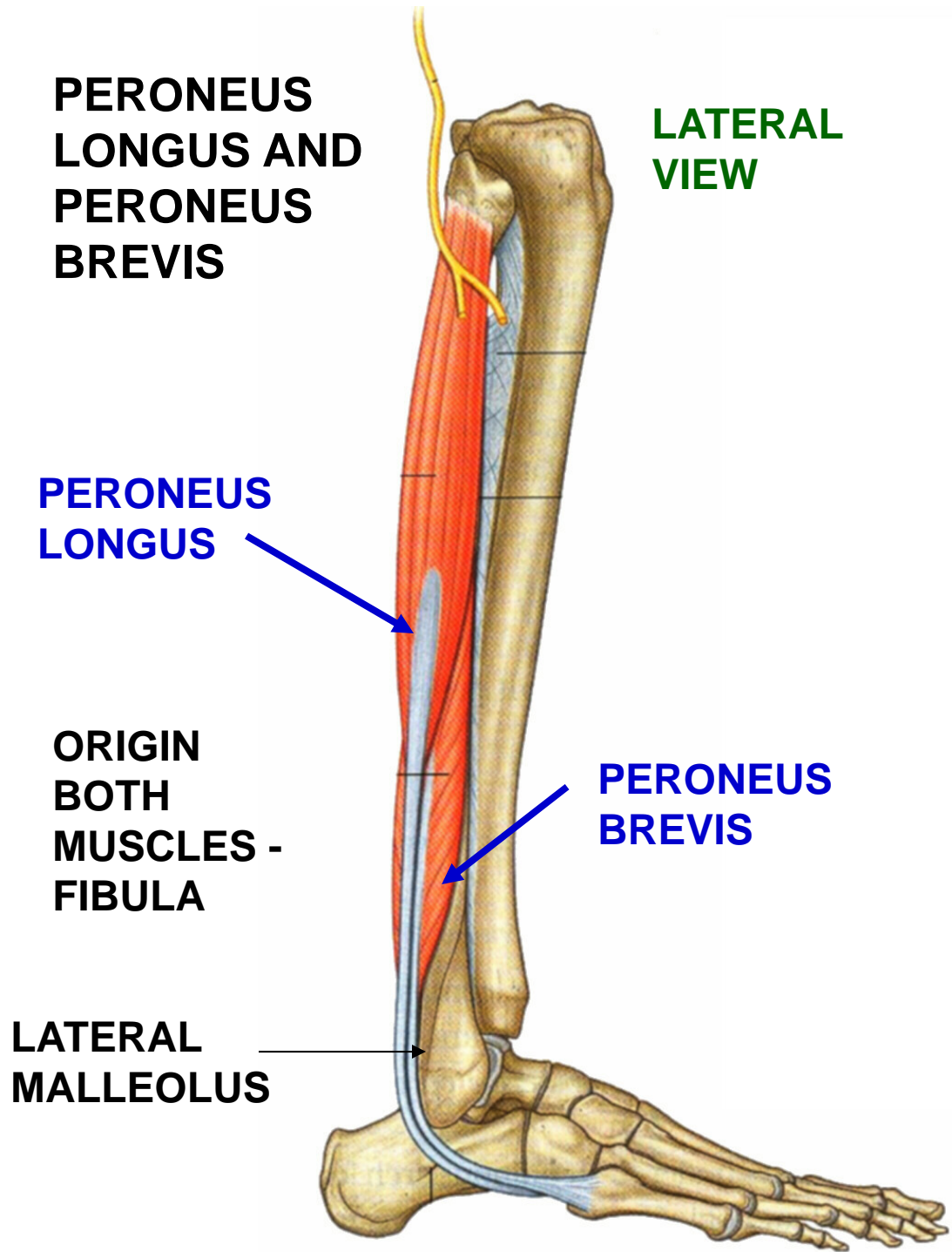
- **NO CUTS**. Dissection should only require scissors technique and **separation of muscles**. Follow tendons into the foot and identify retinacula (if possible).

### ANT. SIDE RIGHT LEG - ANT. AND LATERAL MUSCLES



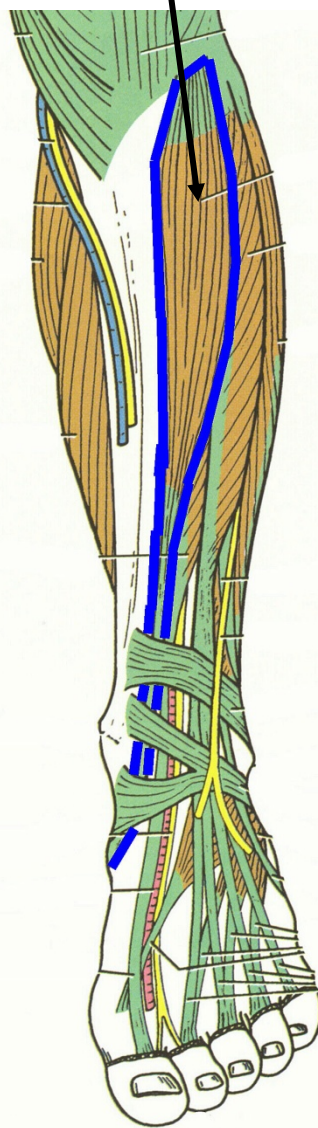


**LATERAL  
COMPART-  
MENT OF LEG  
- 2 Muscles**

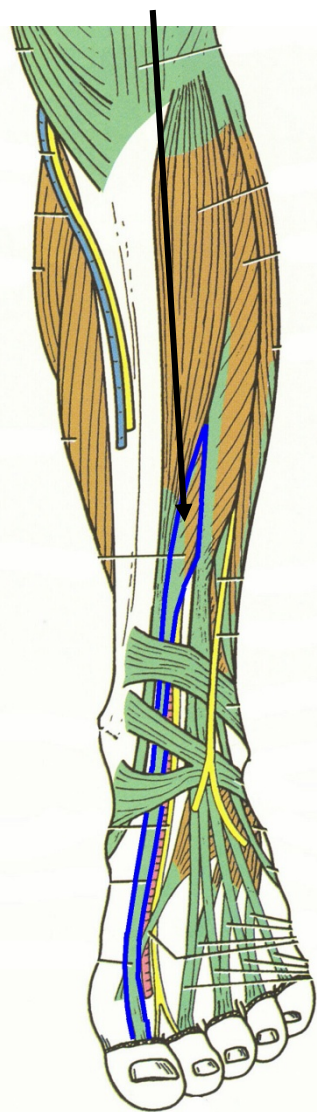


**ANTERIOR  
COMPART-  
MENT OF LEG  
- Muscles  
in a single  
layer**

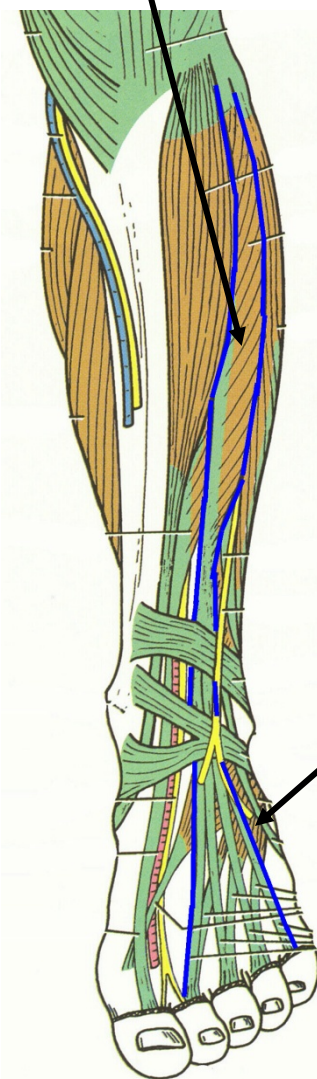
**Tibialis anterior**



**Extensor  
Hallucis  
Longus**



**Extensor  
Digitorum  
Longus**



**Extensor  
Digitorum  
Brevis**



# COMMON PERONEAL NERVE DIVIDES TO SUPERFICIAL AND DEEP PERONEAL NERVES

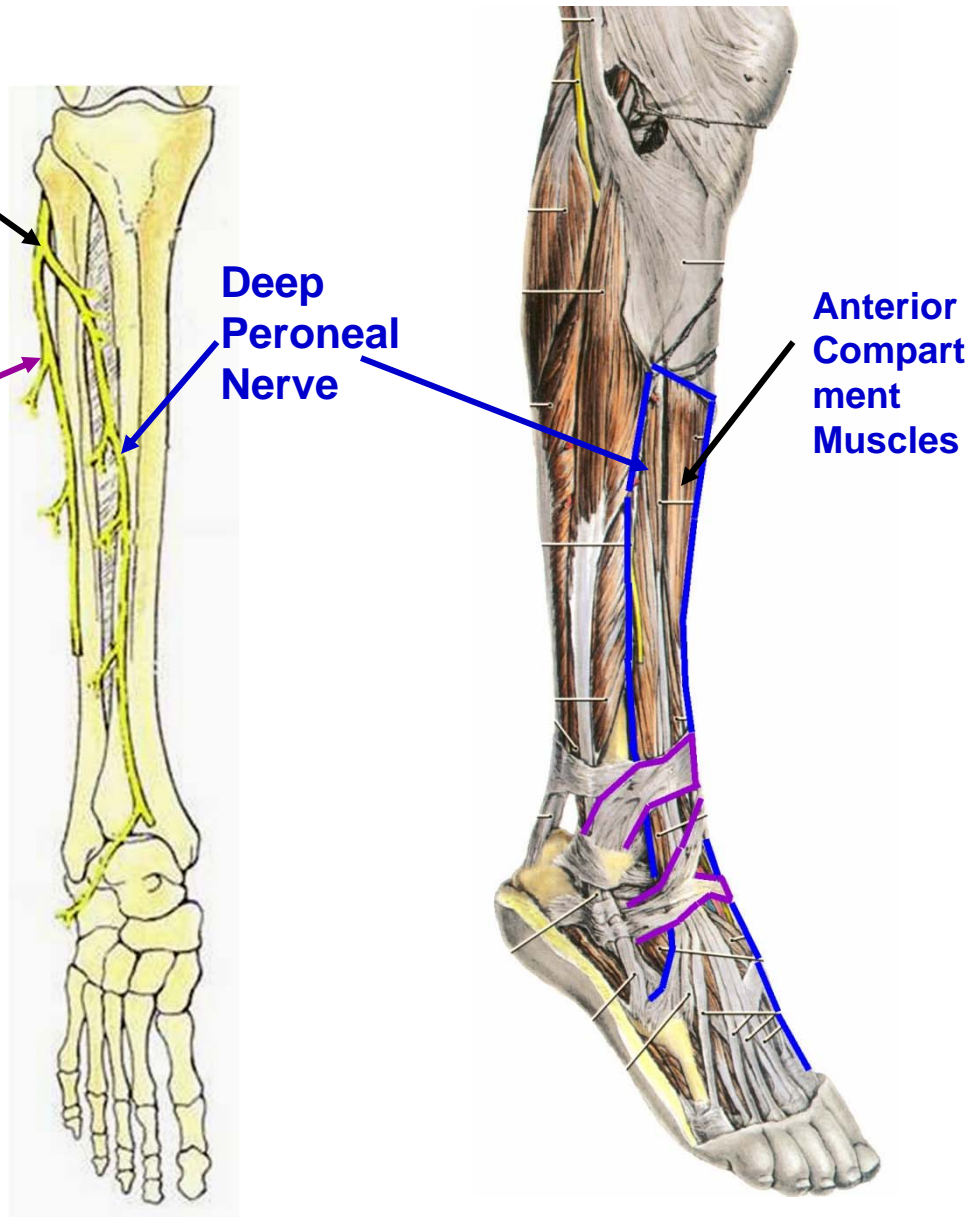
Common Peroneal Nerve

Superficial Peroneal Nerve

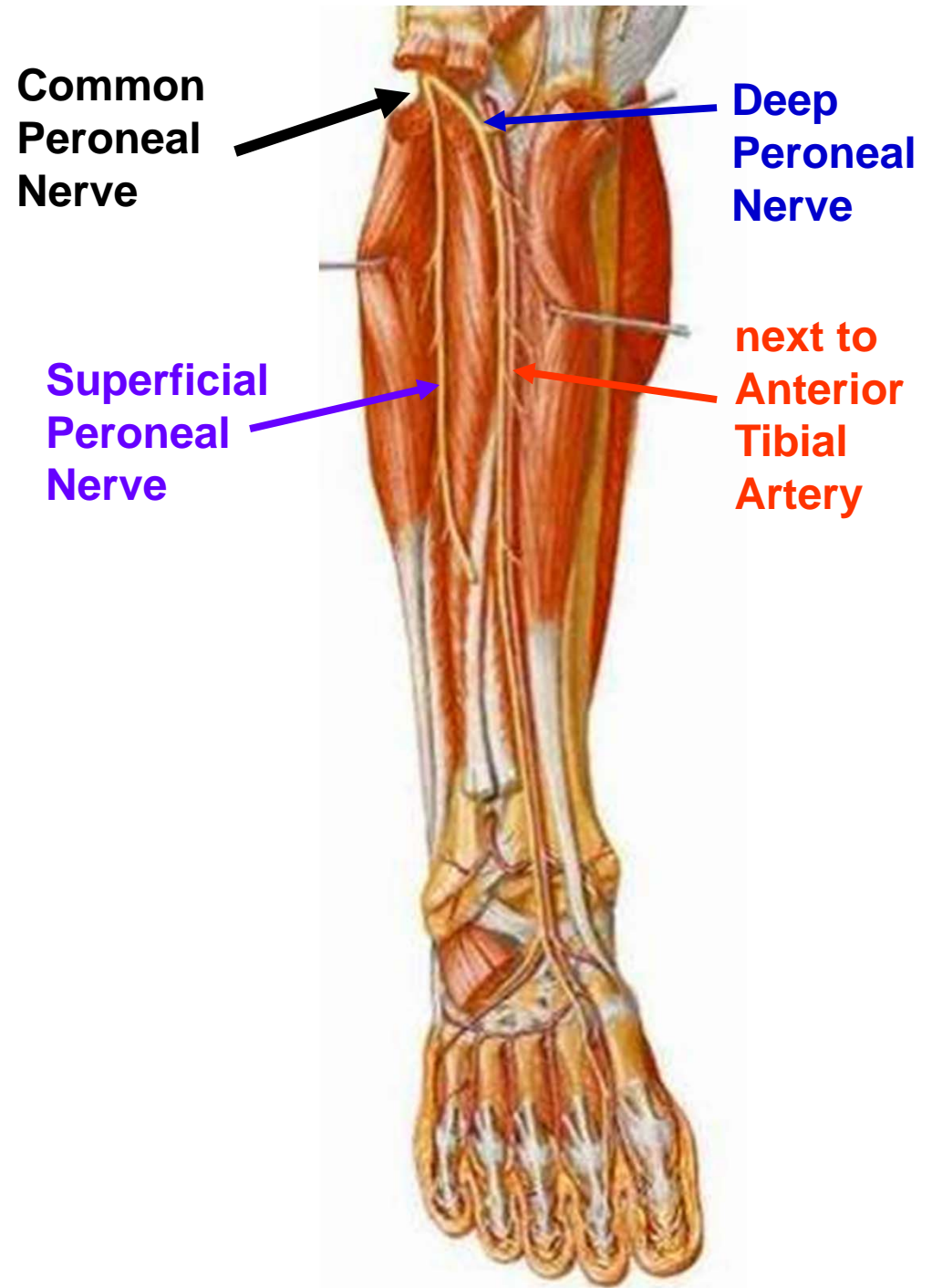
Deep Peroneal Nerve

Anterior Compartment Muscles

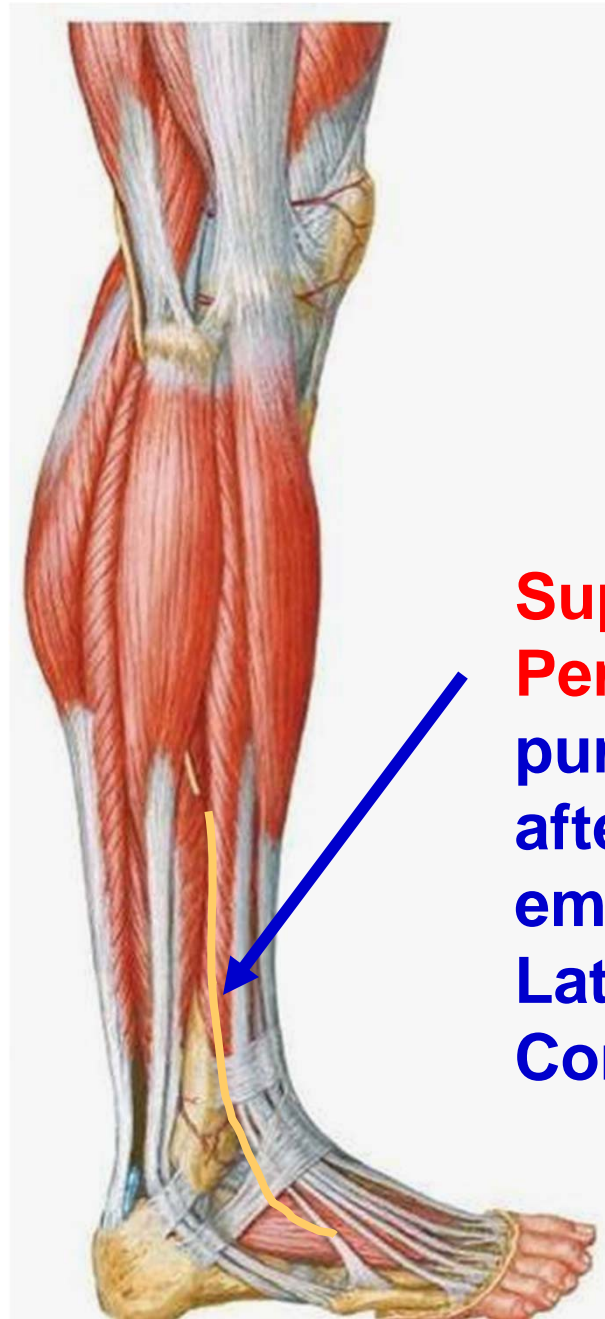
a. **Deep Peroneal Nerve** - innervates muscles of anterior compartment  
**courses with Anterior Tibial Artery**



**COMMON PERONEAL NERVE DIVIDES - in substance of Peroneus Longus Muscle (hard to see) - to Superficial and Deep Peroneal nerves**







**Superficial  
Peroneal Nerve -  
purely sensory  
after  
emerges from  
Lateral  
Compartment**

# **CHECK LIST FOR LEG AND DORSUM OF FOOT LAB 2018**

## **1) POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT OF LEG**

### **MUSCLES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ GASTROCNEMIUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ SOLEUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ PLANTARIS
- \_\_\_\_\_ TENDO CALCANEUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ TIBIALIS POSTERIOR
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXOR DIGITORUM LONGUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS

### **ARTERIES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ POPLITEAL ARTERY

- \_\_\_\_\_ POSTERIOR TIBIAL ARTERY
- \_\_\_\_\_ PERONEAL ARTERY
- \_\_\_\_\_ ANTERIOR TIBIAL ARTERY

### **NERVES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ COMMON PERONEAL NERVE
- \_\_\_\_\_ TIBIAL NERVE

### **FASCIA AND OTHER STRUCTURES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ \*FLEXOR RETINACULUM

## **2) ANTERIOR AND LATERAL COMPARTMENTS OF LEG**

### **MUSCLES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ TIBIALIS ANTERIOR
- \_\_\_\_\_ EXTENSOR DIGITORUM LONGUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ EXTENSOR HALLUCIS LONGUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ PERONEUS BREVIS
- \_\_\_\_\_ PERONEUS LONGUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ PERONEUS TERTIUS
- \_\_\_\_\_ EXTENSOR DIGITORUM BREVIS
- \_\_\_\_\_ EXTENSOR HALLUCIS BREVIS

### **ARTERIES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ ANTERIOR TIBIAL ARTERY

### **NERVES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ SUPERFICIAL PERONEAL NERVE
- \_\_\_\_\_ DEEP PERONEAL NERVE

### **FASCIA AND OTHER STRUCTURES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ \*EXTENSOR RETINACULUM

**(NOTE: \* STARRED STRUCTURES ARE OPTIONAL, FIND IF YOU CAN):**

# SOLE OF FOOT

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**I. DESIGN OF FOOT** – the foot is specialized for supporting weight and walking: 1) foot acts like a lever in generating forces for walking and running; 2) weight is supported at specific points on sole of foot: 3) ligaments and arches of foot function like springs that store energy in walking (important in design of prosthetics).

## II. SKIN AND FASCIA

A. Skin - specialized for standing and walking on foot; very thick and hairless on sole of foot, tightly bound to fascia.

B. Plantar Aponeurosis - thickened, tough band of deep fascia on sole of foot; extends from calcaneus; distally divides into connective tissue bands for all five toes; protects underlying structures and helps support arch (Lateral longitudinal arch) of foot (see below).

C. Fibrous digital sheaths - thickened bands attached to side of phalanges; form tunnels for passage of long tendons to toes (ex., flexor digitorum longus) and prevents bowstringing (tendons popping out when muscles contract).

## III. MUSCLES OF FOOT - arranged in four layers.

A. Layer 1 - Flexor Digitorum Brevis, Abductor Hallucis, Abductor Digiti Minimi

Note: Flexor Digitorum Brevis tendons end on middle phalanges; tendon splits to allow passage of Flexor Digitorum Longus to distal phalanges.

B. Layer 2 - Quadratus Plantae and Lumbricals (also tendons of Flexor Digitorum Longus and Flexor Hallucis Longus)

1. Tendon of Flexor Digitorum Longus = DICK of TOM, DICK and Harry; tendon passes deep to Abductor Hallucis; branches to 4 tendons that end in distal phalanges of toes; have Lumbricals attached.

2. Lumbricals - attach to tendons of Flexor Digitorum Longus and extend to 1) proximal phalanges of toes and 2) extensor expansions; Lumbricals act to flex metatarsophalangeal joint and extend interphalangeal joints.

3. Quadratus Plantae - attaches from calcaneus to Flexor Digitorum Longus.

Note: Quadratus Plantae is biomechanically elegant - If only Flexor Digitorum longus contracted, it would pull toes toward medial side; instead, Quadratus Plantae pulls on Flexor tendon to redirect flexor pull toward calcaneus, i.e. direct flexion of toes.

4. tendon of Flexor Hallucis Longus - (= HARRY) - Tendon passes to distal phalanx of big toe; tendon passes between two sesamoid bones under the head of the first metatarsal; this prevents weight of body from resting on tendon; weight presses on sesamoids, allowing movement of flexor tendon.

C. Layer 3 - Small muscles to big toe and little toe.

1. Flexor hallucis brevis - has two tendons that insert to proximal phalanx; sesamoid bones present in each tendon.

2. Adductor hallucis - two heads of origin and one common tendon.

3. Flexor digiti minimi brevis - small muscle to little toe.

D. Layer 4 - Interosseus muscles (between metatarsal bones) and tendons of long muscles.

1. Dorsal interossei - 4 muscles - DAB - (dorsal abduct)

2. Plantar interossei - 3 muscles, toes 3-5 - PAD - (plantar adduct)

Note: Axis of abduction/adduction is second toe. Interossei also hold metatarsal bones together in bearing weight.

3. Tendon of Peroneus longus - crosses from lateral to medial to insert on first metatarsal and medial cuneiform bones.

4. Tendon of Tibialis posterior - inserts to navicular and sends slips to cuneiforms.

#### IV. ARTERIES AND NERVES OF SOLE OF FOOT

A. Posterior Tibial Artery - divides into Medial and Lateral Plantar arteries

1. Lateral Plantar artery - gives rise to Plantar Arterial arch, located deep in foot; Plantar Arch gives rise to Plantar Metatarsal arteries which branch to sides of toes as Plantar Digital arteries.

2. Medial Plantar artery - smaller branch to medial foot.

B. Tibial Nerve - branches to Medial and Lateral plantar nerves.

1. Medial Plantar nerve -

Sensory branches to medial 3 1/2 digits and medial part of sole

Motor branches - muscles of big toe (Flexor Hallucis Brevis, Abductor Hallucis), Flexor Digitorum Brevis, first Lumbrical.

2. Lateral Plantar nerve -

Sensory branches to lateral 1 1/2 digits and lateral sole

Motor branches to remaining intrinsic muscles of sole of foot

#### V. ARCHES OF FOOT AND SUPPORT OF BODY WEIGHT

A. Arches of foot - foot is not flat but has arches that allow ligaments to act like springs; foot contacts ground anteriorly at heads of metatarsals and sesamoid bones under first metatarsal ; posteriorly at calcaneus.



1. Medial Longitudinal arch - highest arch, responsible for 'fallen arches'

a. formed by - calcaneus, talus, navicular, cuneiforms and medial three metatarsal bones; talus is highest point of arch.

b. supported by ligaments and muscles

i. Plantar Calcaneonavicular Ligament - 'Spring' ligament, most important ligament, keeps head of talus high off ground.

ii. Tibialis Posterior and Tibialis Anterior - insert to medial side of foot and support arch.

Note: 'Flat' Feet - weakening of Medial Longitudinal arch - associated with stretching of Plantar Calcaneonavicular ligament.

2. Lateral Longitudinal arch - smaller

a. formed by - calcaneus, cuboid and lateral two metatarsals; cuboid is highest point of arch.

b. supported by

i. Long Plantar Ligament and Plantar Aponeurosis

ii. Peroneal tendons

3. Transverse arch

a. formed by cuneiform and cuboid bones and metatarsals

b. supported by Interosseus muscles and Peroneus longus tendon (courses across sole of foot).

B. Support of body weight - primarily by muscles that attach to tendo calcaneus (gastrocnemius and soleus); pull up on calcaneus and prevent body from falling forward (anteriorly); also, muscles with long tendons to toes (ex. Flexor digitorum longus) use bones of foot and malleoli as pulleys.

# SOLE OF FOOT

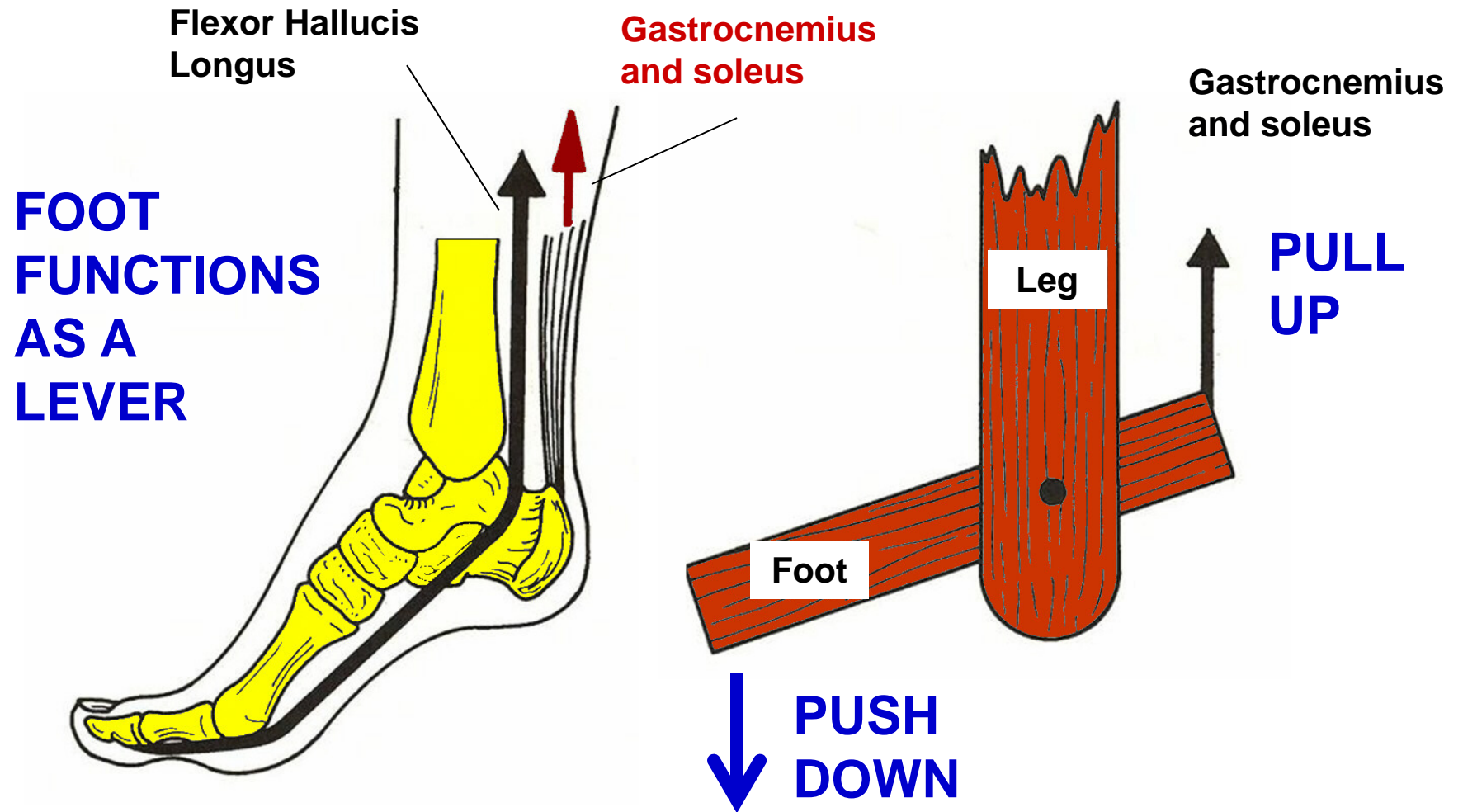
- I. DESIGN OF FOOT –  
**specialized to support and propel body**
- II. SKIN AND FASCIA
- III. MUSCLES OF FOOT
- IV. ARTERIES AND NERVES OF SOLE OF FOOT
- V. ARCHES OF FOOT AND SUPPORT OF BODY WEIGHT  
**- smart prosthetics: match prosthesis to size, weight**



**Sarah Reinertsen - first female above knee leg amputee to complete the Ironman World Championship in Hawaii, 2005**

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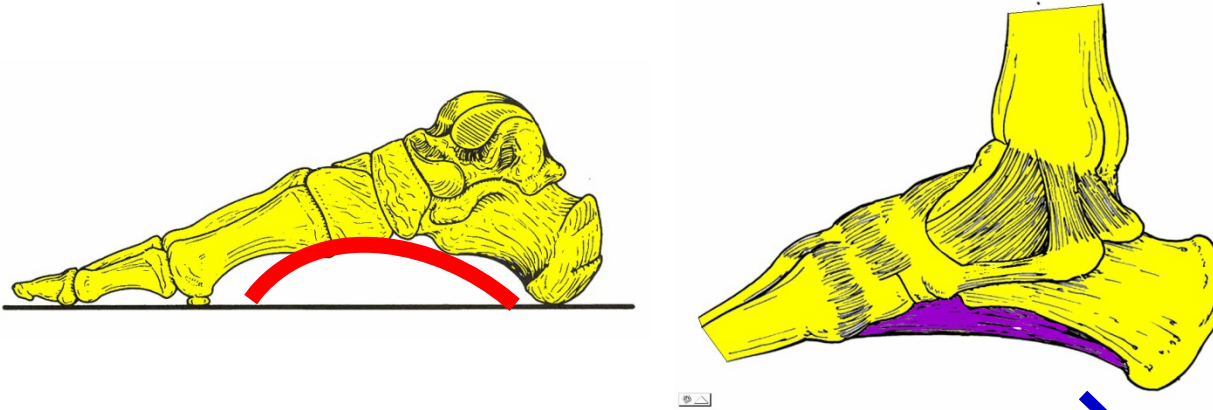
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# I. DESIGN OF FOOT

3) ligaments and arches of foot function like springs that store energy in walking (important in design of prosthetics).



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LIGAMENTS OF FOOT  
ACT LIKE SPRINGS

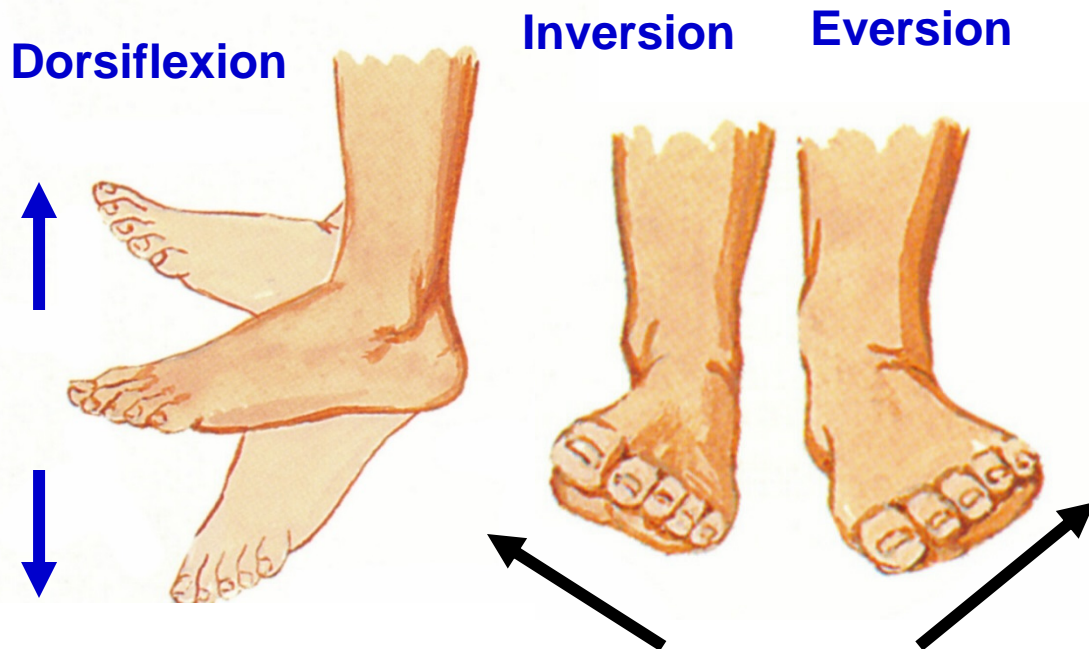
Clinical correlate: Problems  
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Biomechanically  
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Sarah Reinertsen

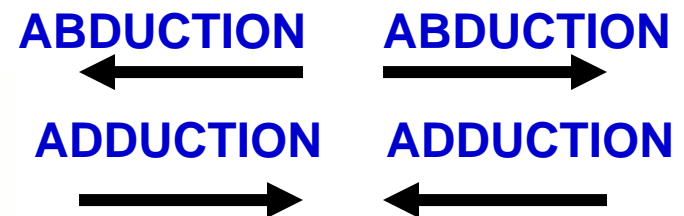
# MOVEMENTS OF FOOT



Plantar flexion

**Note: Abduction/Adduction is movement relative to second toe; movements of second toe away from its own midline are Abduction**

## ABDUCTION/ADDUCTION MOVEMENTS OF TOES



**AXIS IS LINE THROUGH SECOND TOE**

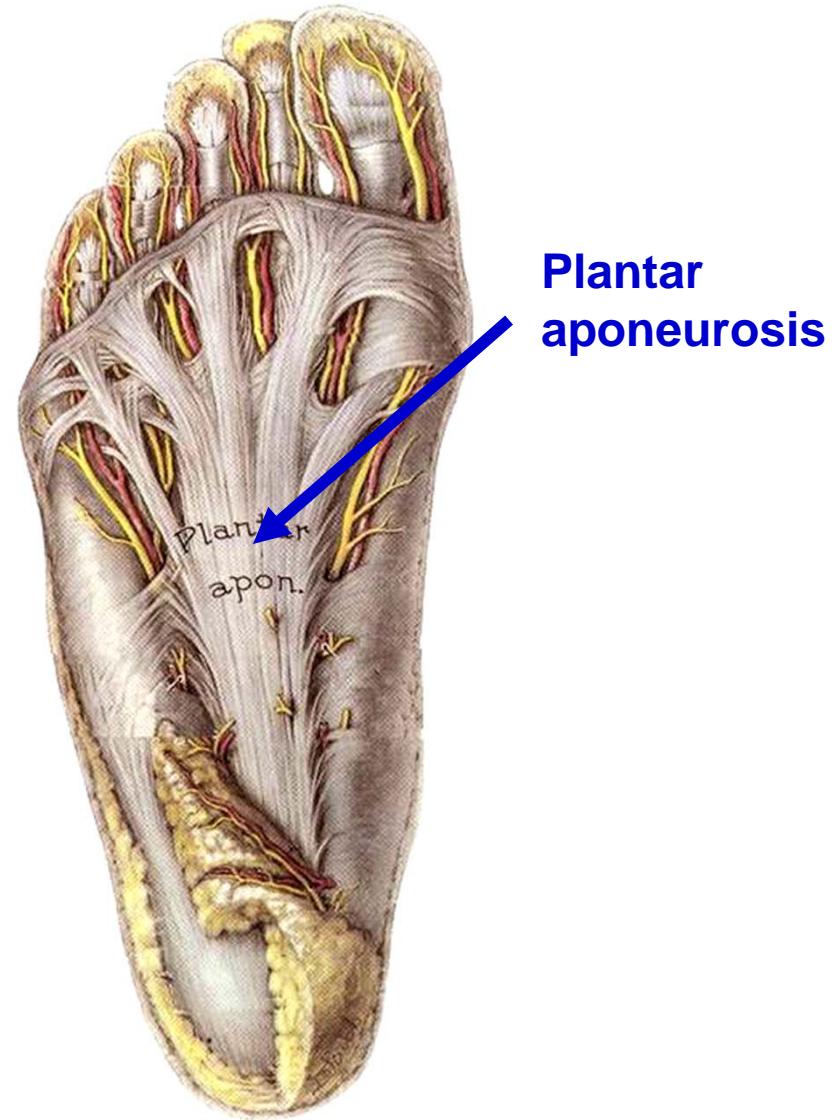
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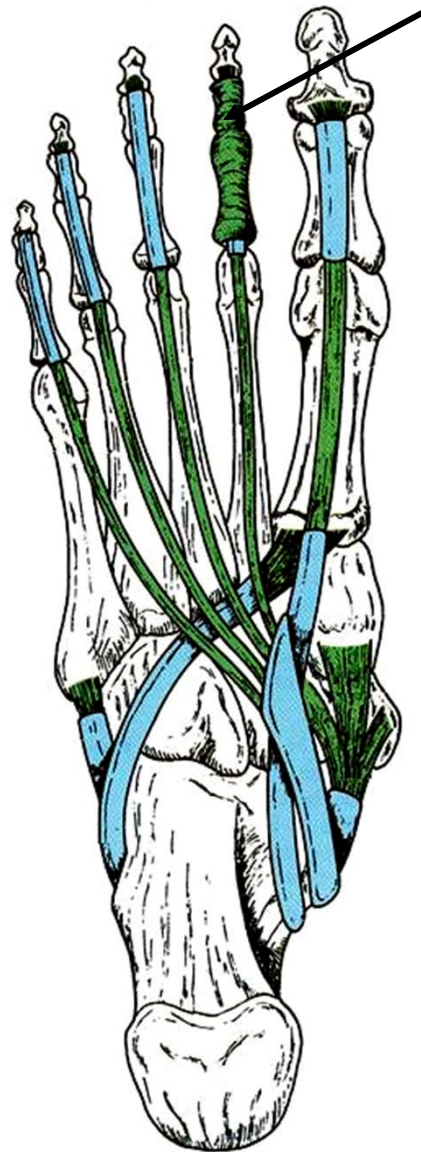
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- thickened **fascial bands attached to side of phalanges**; form tunnels for passage of long tendons to toes (ex., flexor digitorum longus) and **prevents bowstringing** (tendons popping out when muscles contract).



**Fibrous digital sheaths - like retinacula for toes**

**FOUND ON FLEXOR (PLANTAR) SIDE OF TOES**



# MUSCLES OF FOOT - ARRANGED IN FOUR LAYERS

Layer 1 - Flexor Digitorum Brevis, Abductor Hallucis, Abductor Digiti Minimi - all take origin from **Calcaneus**; **ACT FLEX TOES, ABDUCTORS ABDUCT**

**3 MUSCLES**

**ABDUCTOR HALLUCIS** - l - proximal phalanx big toe

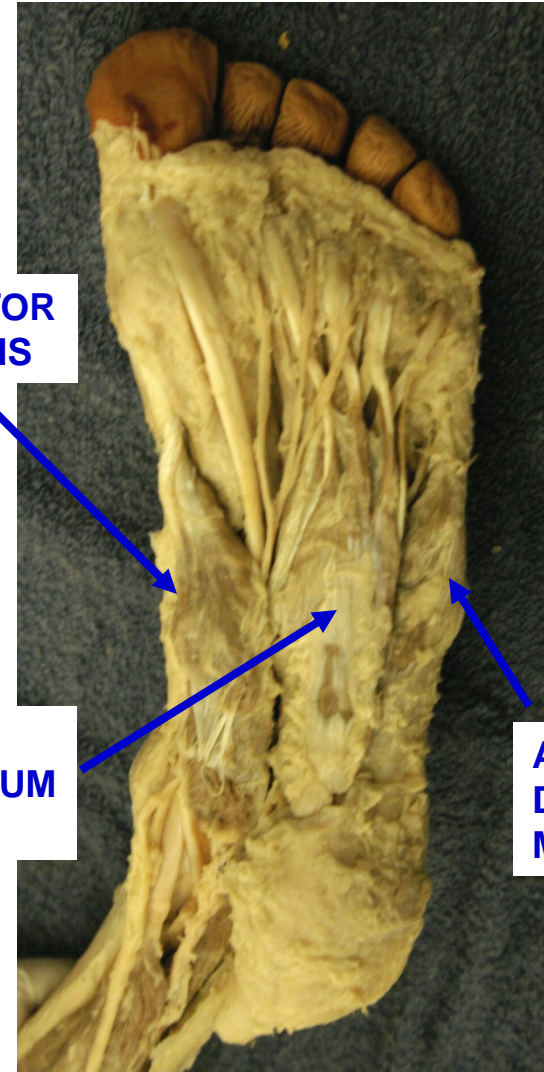
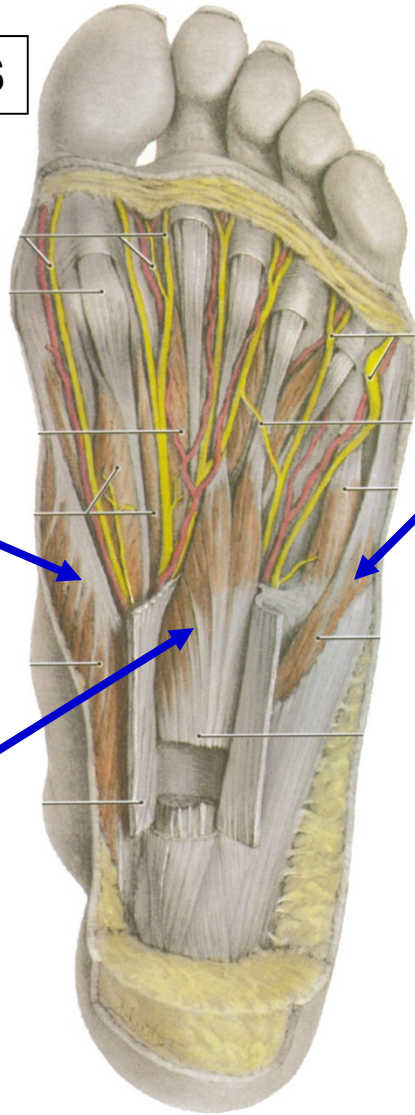
**FLEXOR DIGITORUM BREVIS** - i - middle phalanges lateral four toes

**ABDUCTOR DIGITI MINIMI** - i - proximal phalanx little toe

**ABDUCTOR HALLUCIS**

**FLEXOR DIGITORUM BREVIS**

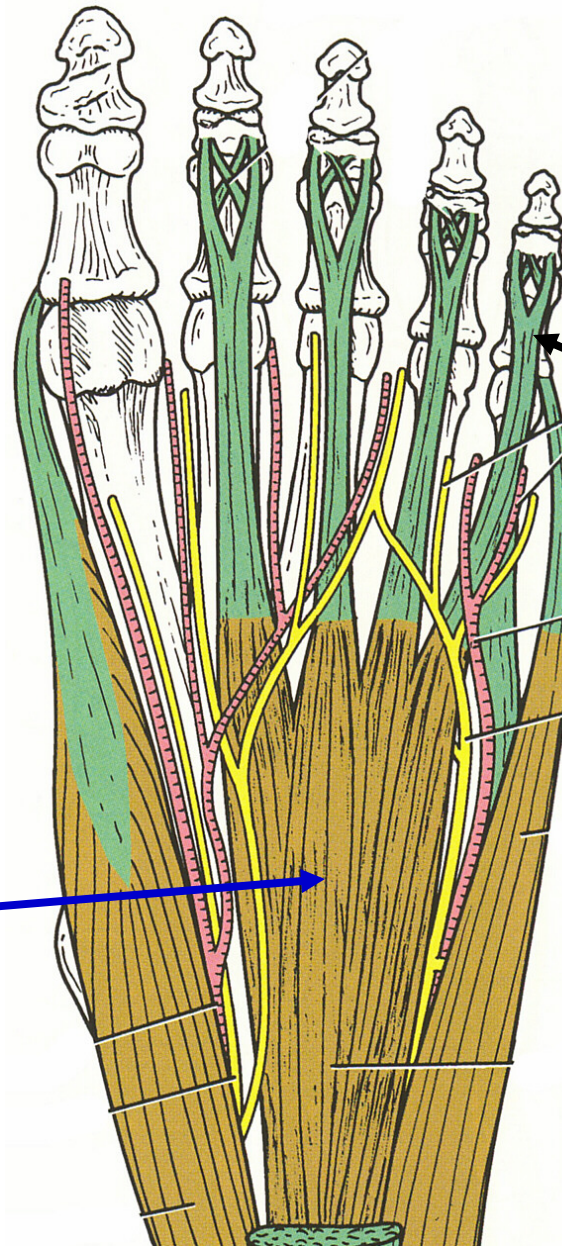
**ABDUCTOR DIGITI MINIMI**



## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 1

Note: Flexor Digitorum Brevis tendons end on **middle phalanges**; tendons split to allow passage of Flexor Digitorum Longus to distal phalanges

**FLEXOR DIGITORUM BREVIS**



**TENDONS INSERT TO MIDDLE PHALANGES - SPLIT TO ALLOW PASSAGE OF FLEXOR DIGITORUM LONGUS**



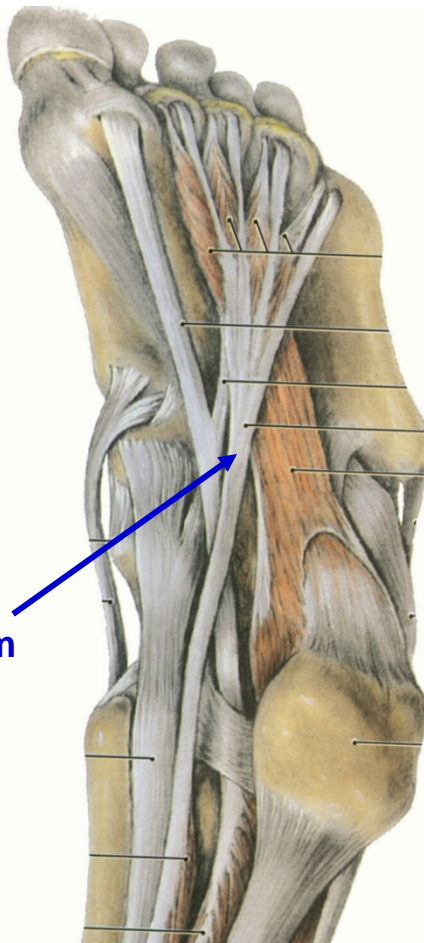
## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 2

Flexor Digitorum  
Brevis reflected

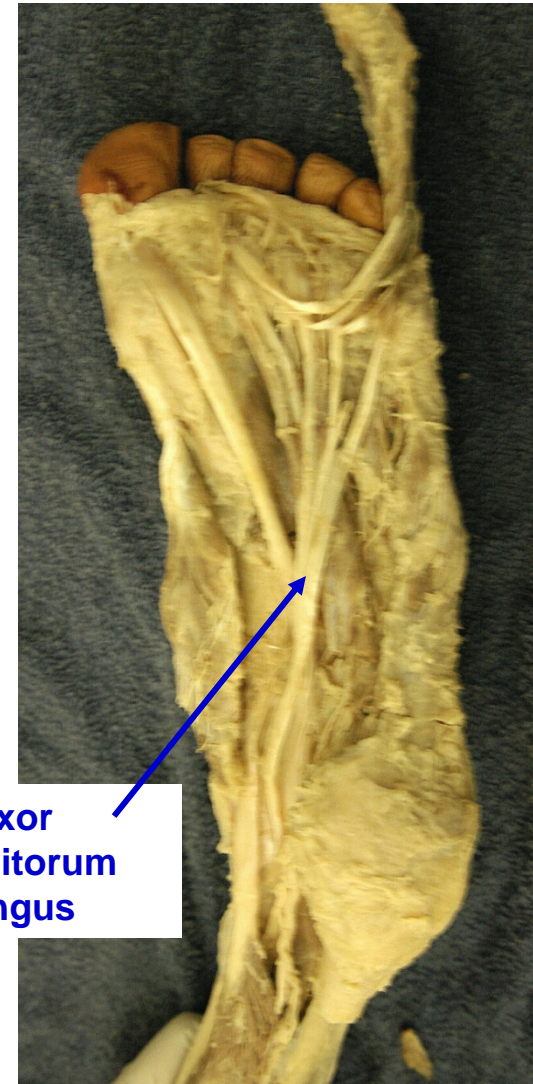
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**Tendons pass to toes between split Flexor Digitorum Brevis tendons**

Flexor  
Digitorum  
Longus



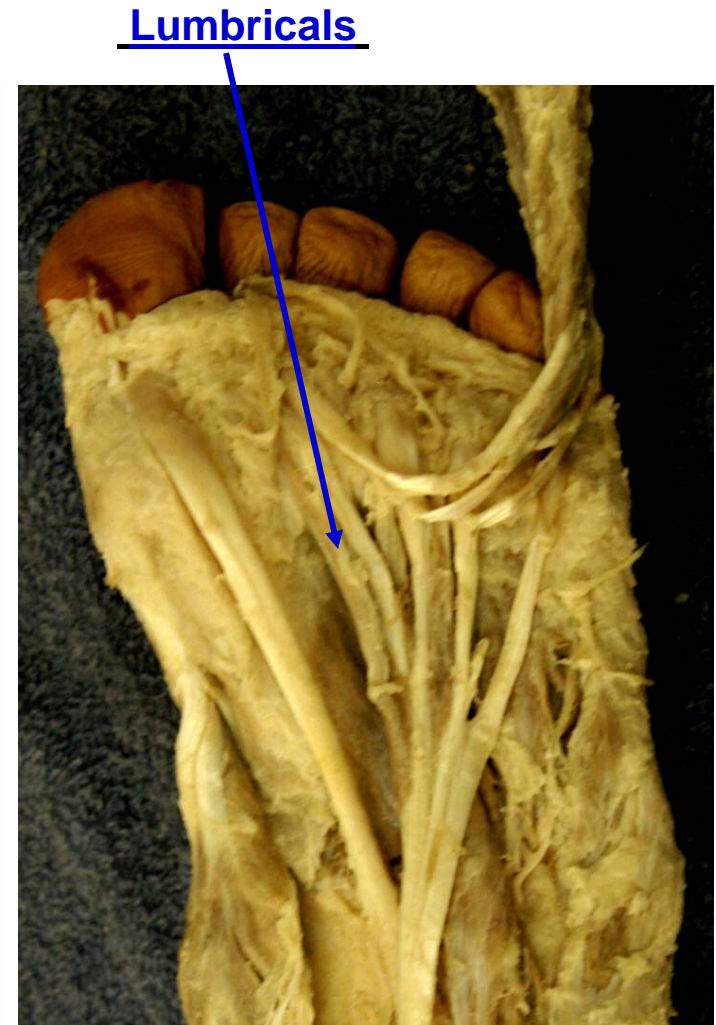
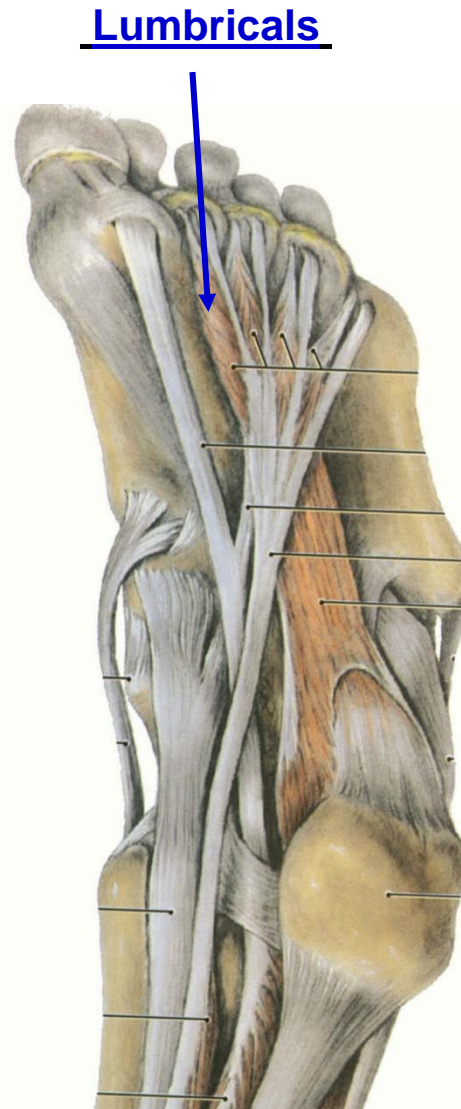
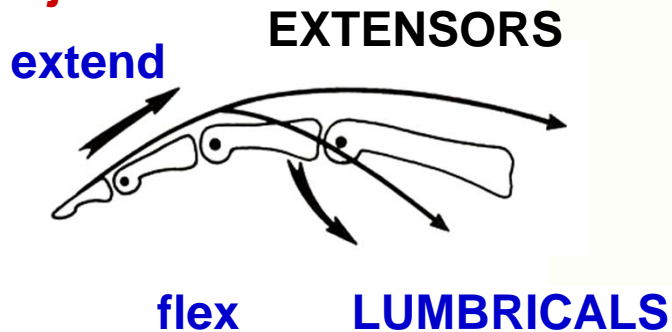
Flexor  
Digitorum  
Longus



**Layer 2 - 2 MUSCLES IN FOOT + TENDONS OF DICK AND HARRY**

## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 2

2. Lumbricals -  
attach to tendons  
of Flexor  
Digitorum Longus  
and extend to 1)  
**proximal phalanges**  
**of toes** and 2)  
**extensor**  
**expansions.**  
Lumbricals act to  
**flex**  
**metatarsophalangeal**  
**joints** and **extend**  
**interphalangeal**  
**joints.**



LUMBRICAL = worm-like

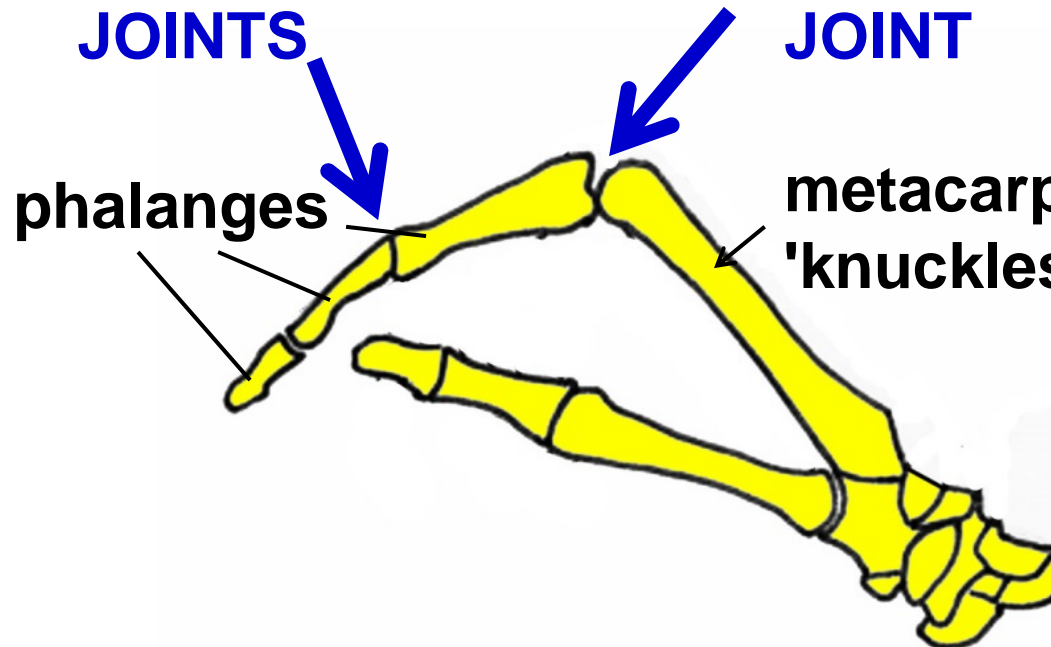


**LUMBRICALS ALSO FOUND IN HAND: HAVE SAME ACTION**

**EXTEND  
INTER-  
PHALANGEAL  
JOINTS**

**FLEX  
METACARPO-  
PHALANGEAL  
JOINT**

**FLEX  
METACARPO-  
PHALANGEAL  
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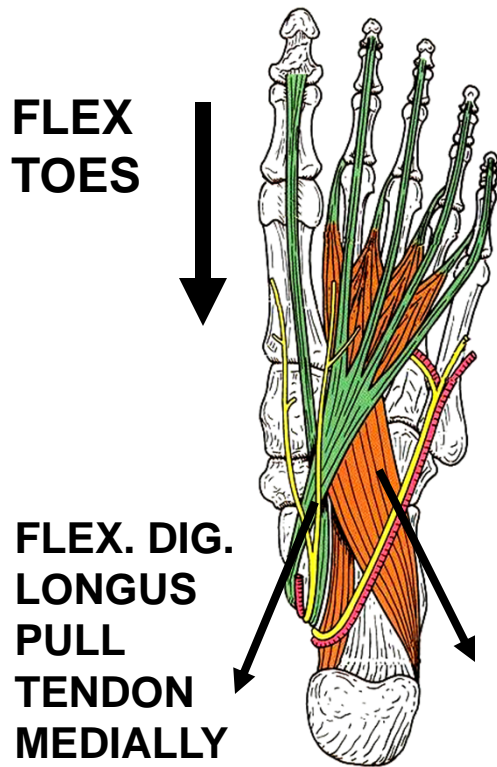


**LUMBRICALS USED IN  
FINE MOVEMENTS**

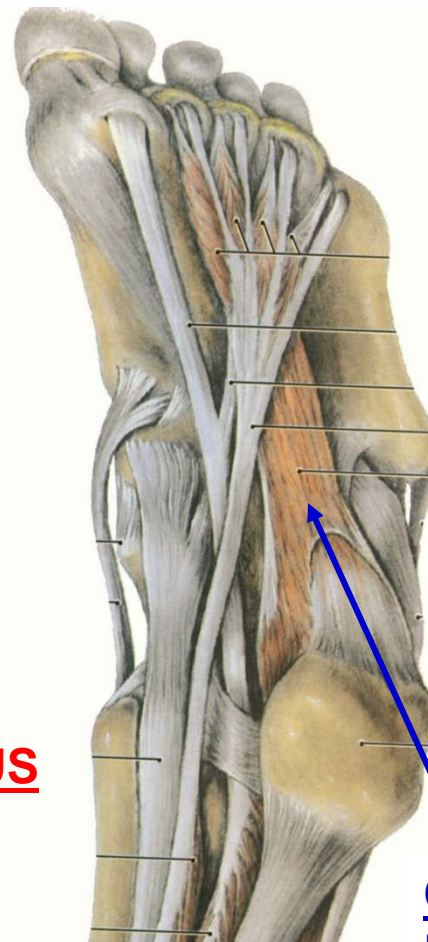
**HOLD PEN IN HAND BY  
FLEXING METACARPO-  
PHALANGEAL JOINT AND  
EXTENDING  
INTERPHALANGEAL JOINTS**

## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 2

**3. Quadratus Plantae** -  
attaches from **calcaneus**  
to **Flexor Digitorum**  
**Longus**.



**QUADRATUS**  
**PLANTAE**  
**PULL**  
**TENDON**  
**LATERALLY**



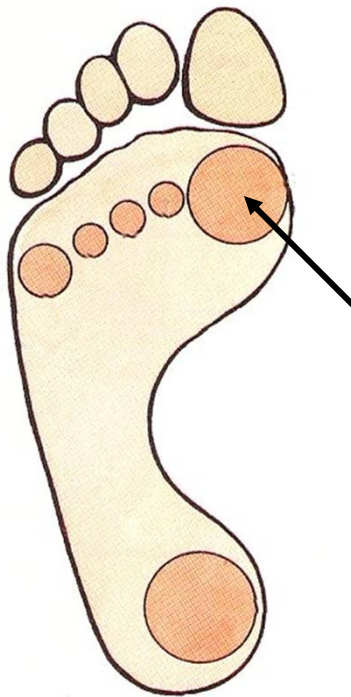
**Quadratus**  
**Plantae**



Note: **Quadratus Plantae is biomechanically elegant** - If only Flexor Digitorum longus contracted, it would pull toes toward medial side; instead, **Quadratus Plantae pulls on Flexor tendon to redirect flexor pull toward calcaneus, i.e. direct flexion of toes.**

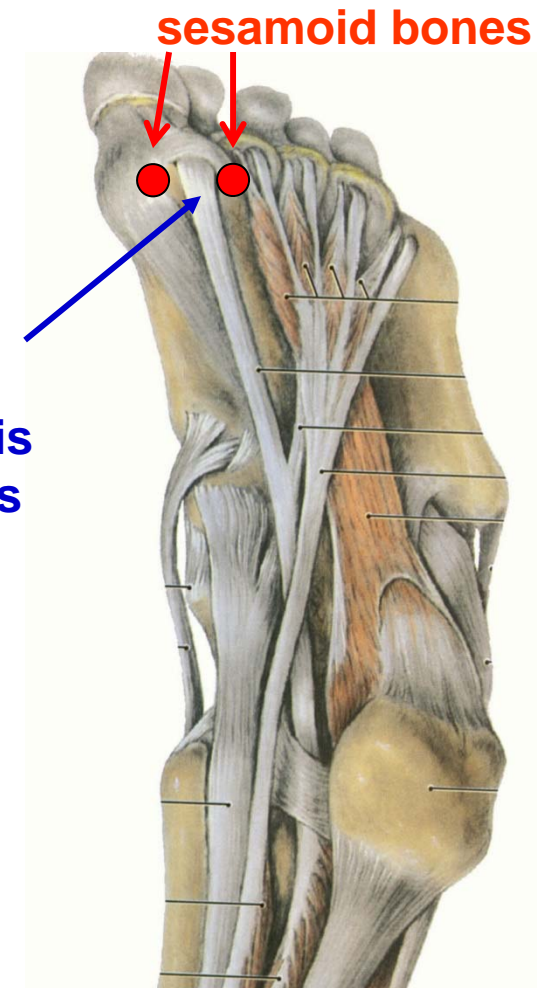
## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 2

4. tendon of **Flexor Hallucis Longus** - (= HARRY) - Tendon passes to **distal phalanx** of big toe; tendon passes **between two sesamoid bones under the head of the first metatarsal**; this prevents weight of body from resting on tendon; weight presses on sesamoids, allowing movement of flexor tendon.



**PROBLEM -  
LARGE PART  
OF BODY WEIGHT  
RESTS ON FIRST  
METATARSAL;  
FLEXOR HALLUCIS  
LONGUS TENDON  
PASSES BELOW  
FIRST  
METATARSAL**

**Flexor  
Hallucis  
Longus**





# MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 3 - 3 MUSCLES

## BIG TOE

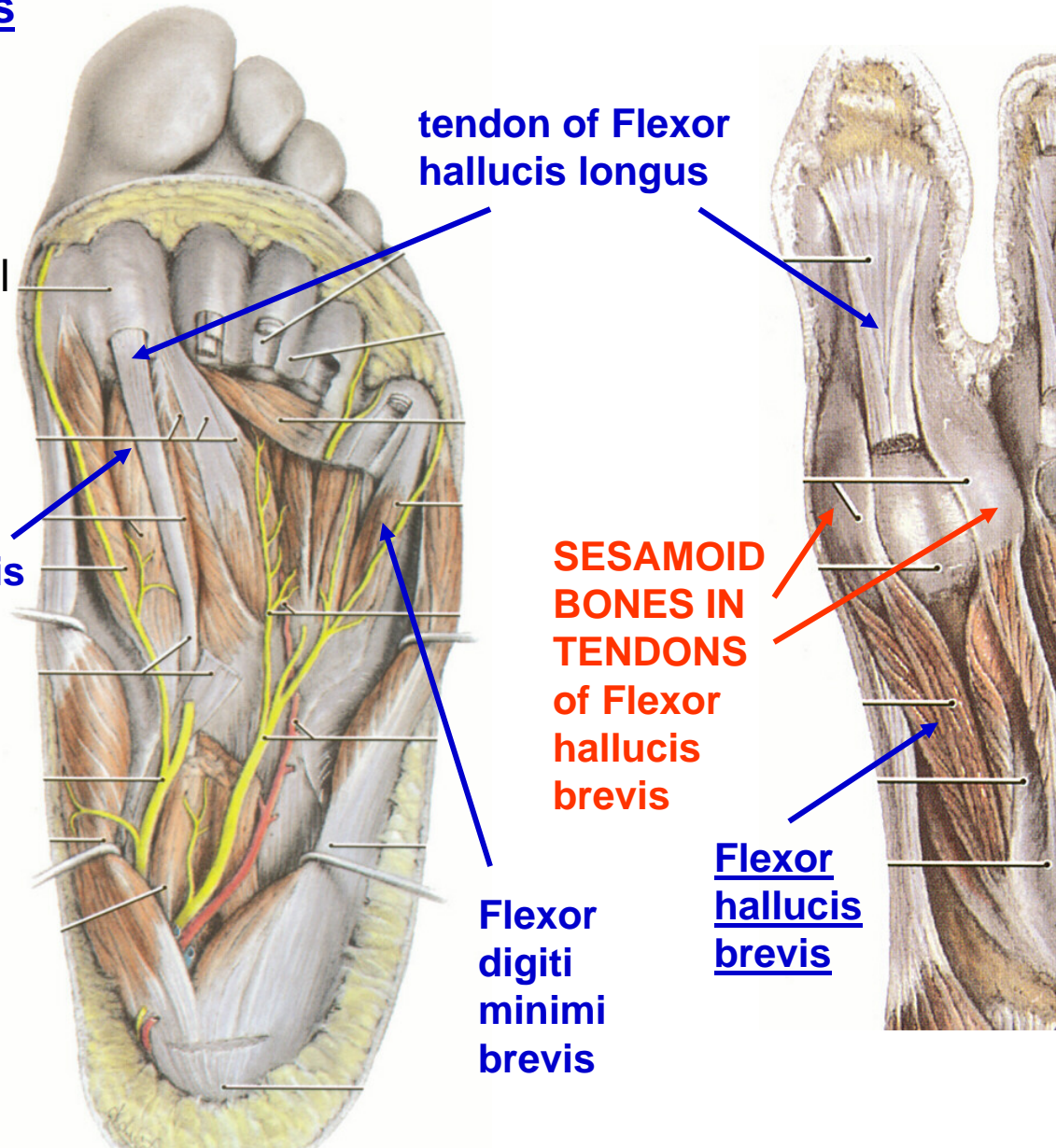
### 1. Flexor hallucis brevis

- has two tendons that insert to proximal phalanx; **sesamoid bones** present in each tendon; insert to proximal phalanx big toe

3. Flexor digiti minimi brevis - small muscle to proximal phalanx little toe.

**Flexor hallucis brevis**

**Weight presses on sesamoids, allowing movement of Flexor hallucis longus tendon**







**SESAMOID  
BONES IN  
TENDONS  
of Flexor Hallucis  
Brevis muscle**

**SUPPORT BODY  
WEIGHT**

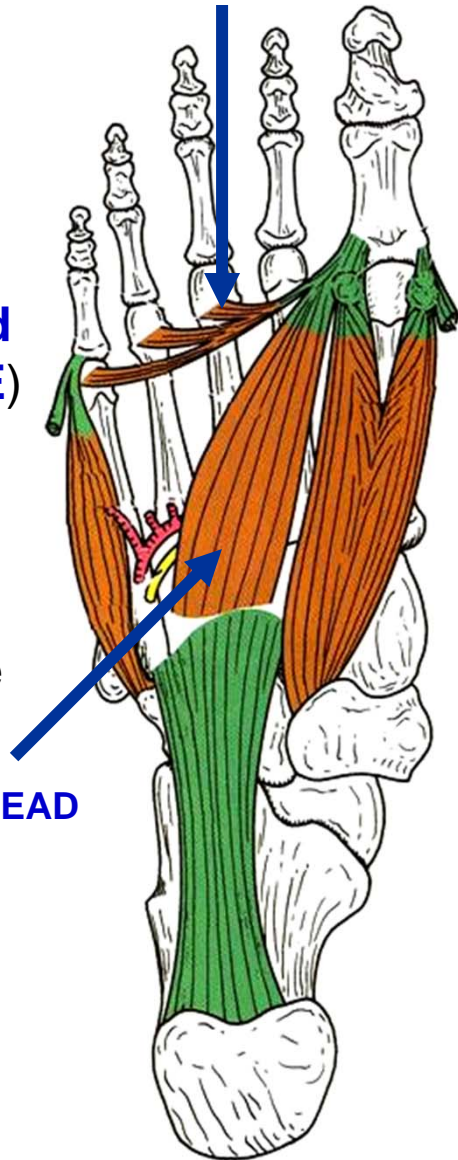
# MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 3

C. Layer 3

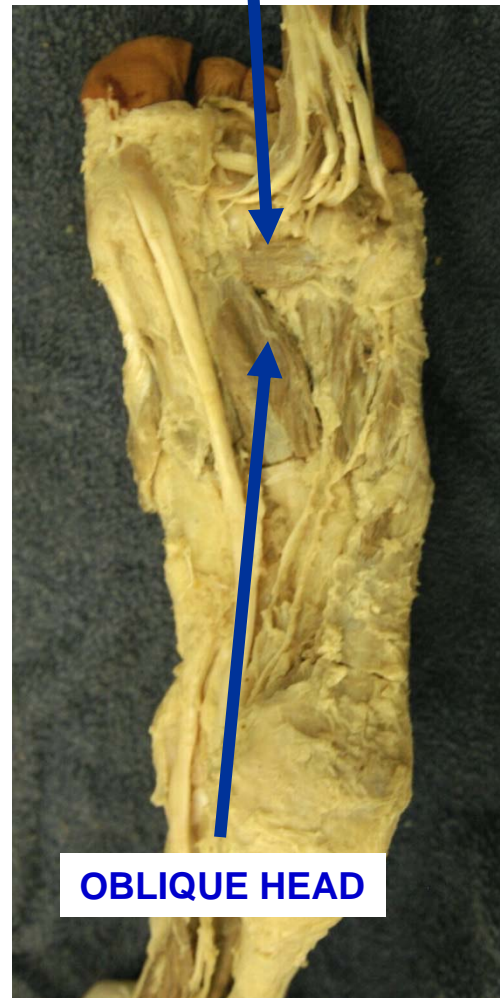
2. Adductor hallucis - two heads of origin (**OBLIQUE** and **TRANSVERSE**) and one common tendon.  
I - proximal phalanx big toe

OBLIQUE HEAD

TRANSVERSE HEAD

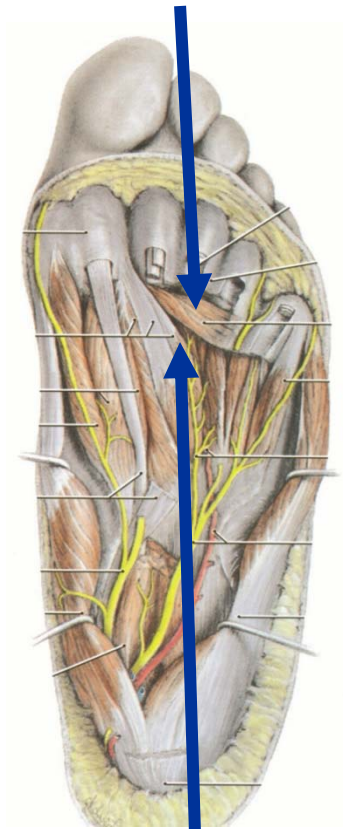


TRANSVERSE HEAD



OBLIQUE HEAD

TRANSVERSE HEAD



OBLIQUE HEAD

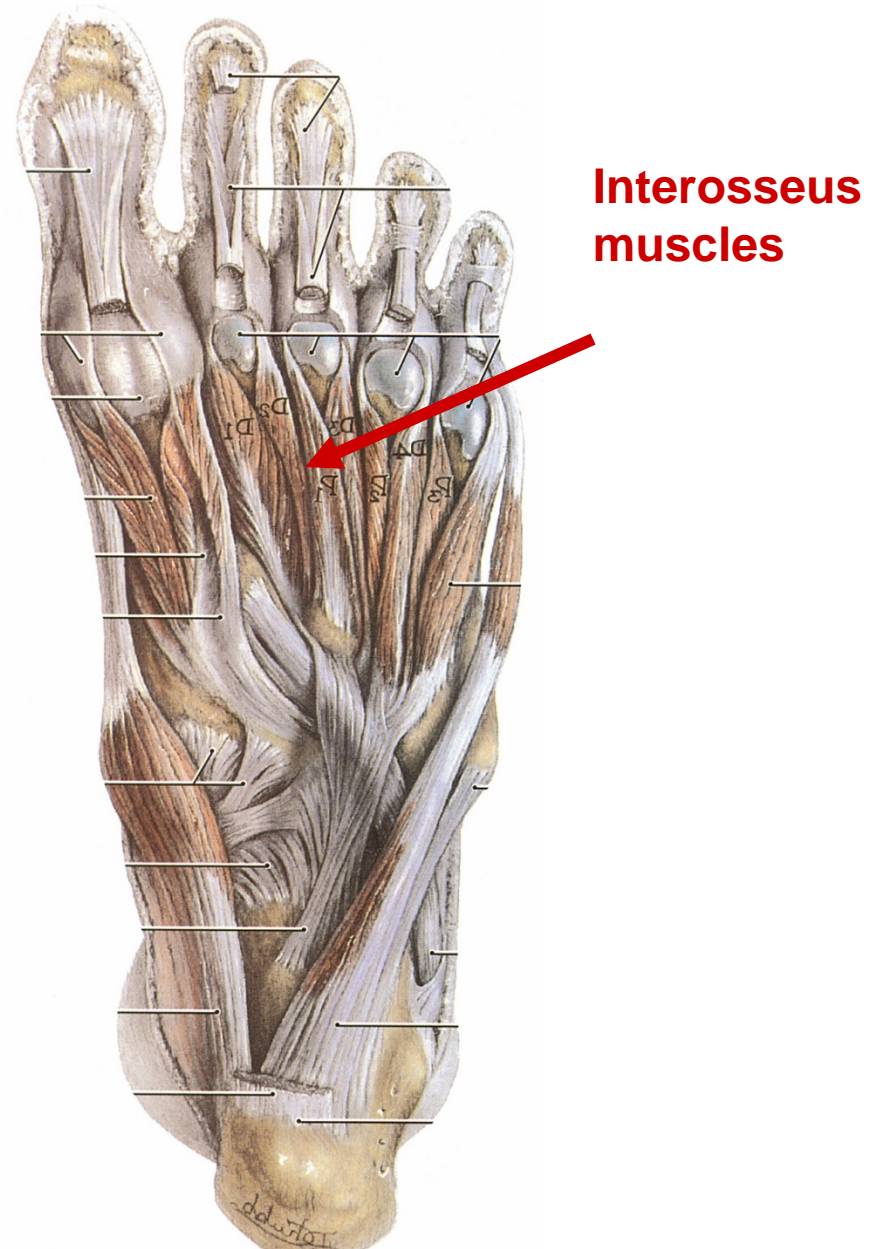
**TWO HEADS OF ADDUCTOR**

## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 4

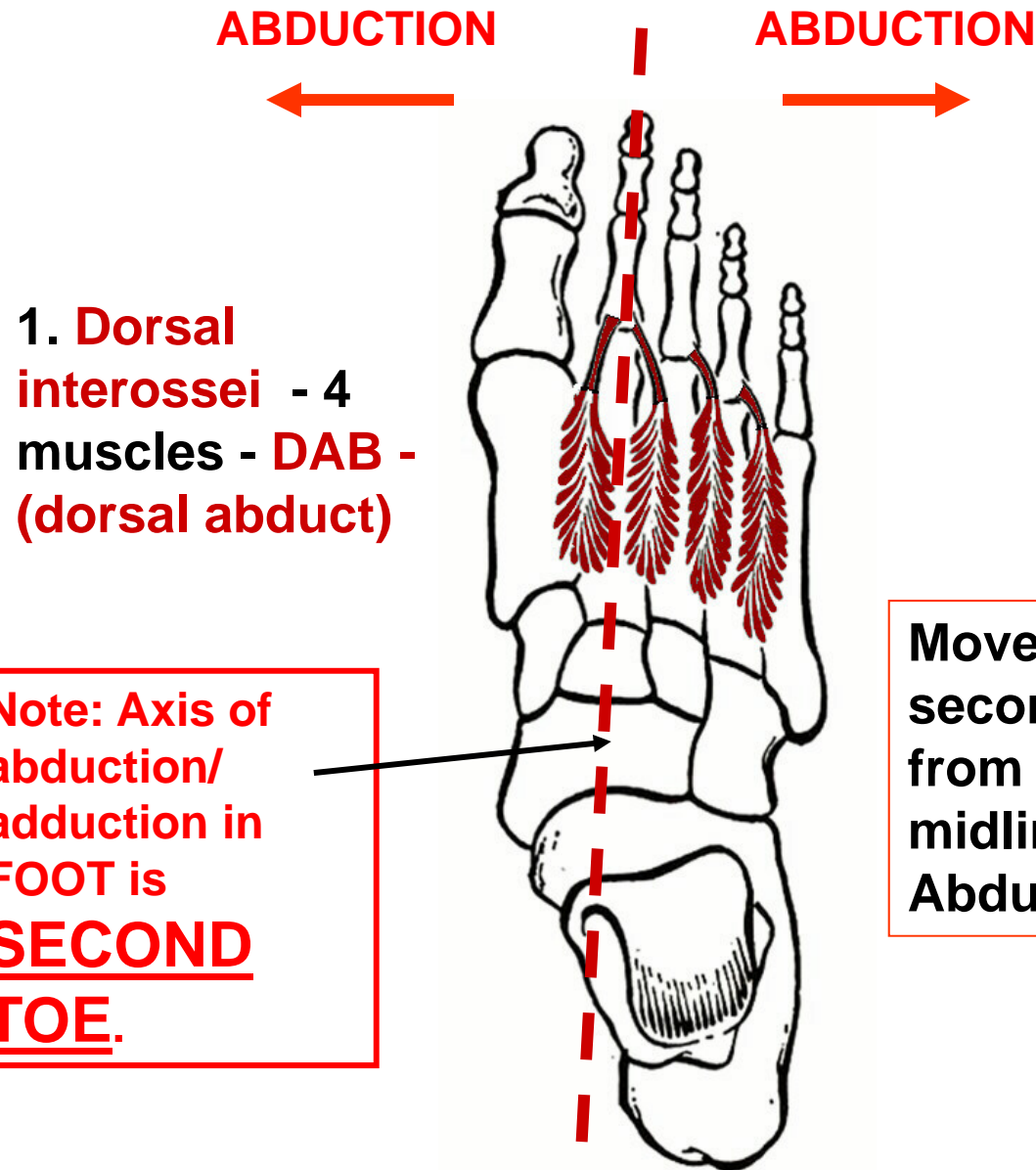
D. Layer 4 - **Interosseus muscles (between metatarsal bones)** and tendons of long muscles.

1. **Dorsal interossei - DAB**
2. **Plantar interossei - PAD**

Interossei also hold metatarsal bones together in bearing weight.



# MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 4 - DORSAL INTEROSSEUS MUSCLES



1. **Dorsal interossei** - 4 muscles - **DAB** - (dorsal abduct)

Note: Axis of abduction/adduction in FOOT is **SECOND TOE.**

Movements of second toe away from its own midline are Abduction

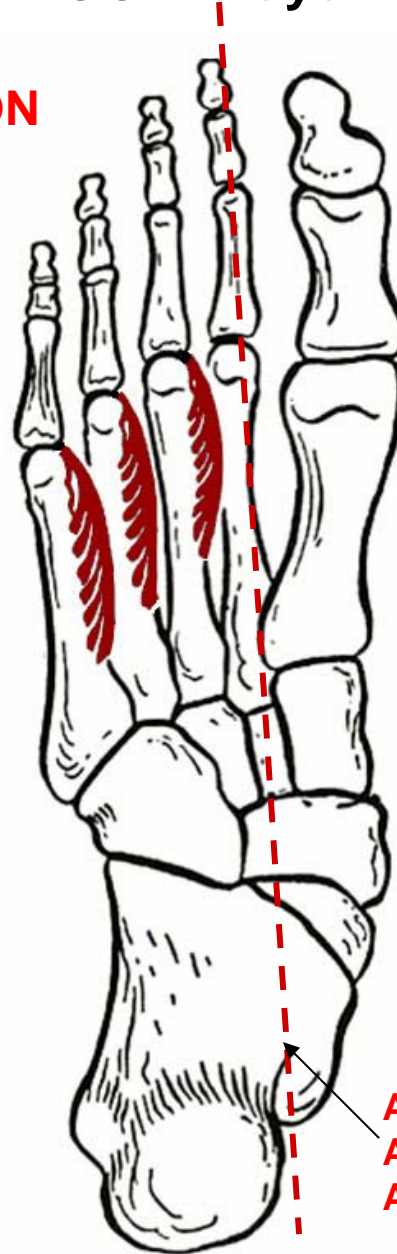


# MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 4 - PLANTAR INTEROSSEUS

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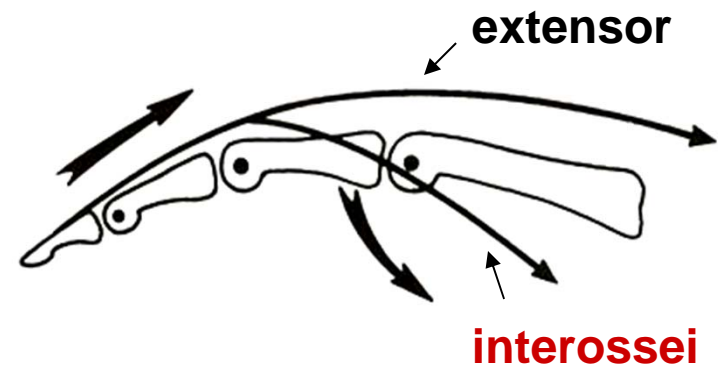


**2. Plantar interossei** - 3 muscles, toes 3-5 - **PAD** - (plantar adduct)



**AXIS OF ADDUCTION/ ABDUCTION**

Note: interossei also insert to Extensor Expansions; **flex metatarsophalangeal joints** and (extend interphalangeal joints)



**ACTION OF INTEROSSEUS MUSCLES AND LUMBRICALS**

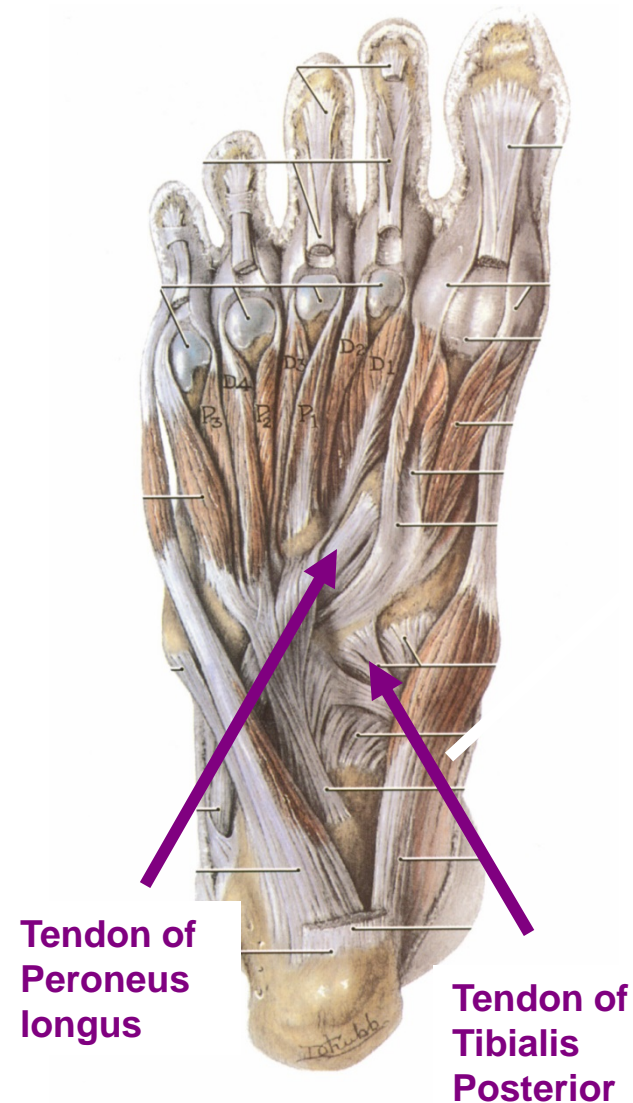
## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 4 - DEEP TENDONS

D. Layer 4 -

3. Tendon of Peroneus longus - crosses from lateral to medial to insert on **first metatarsal and medial cuneiform bones.**

4. Tendon of Tibialis posterior - inserts to **navicular and sends slips to cuneiforms, cuboid, metatarsals 2-4**

**Note: Tibialis anterior is the antagonist of Peroneus longus - both insert to first metatarsal and medial cuneiform**

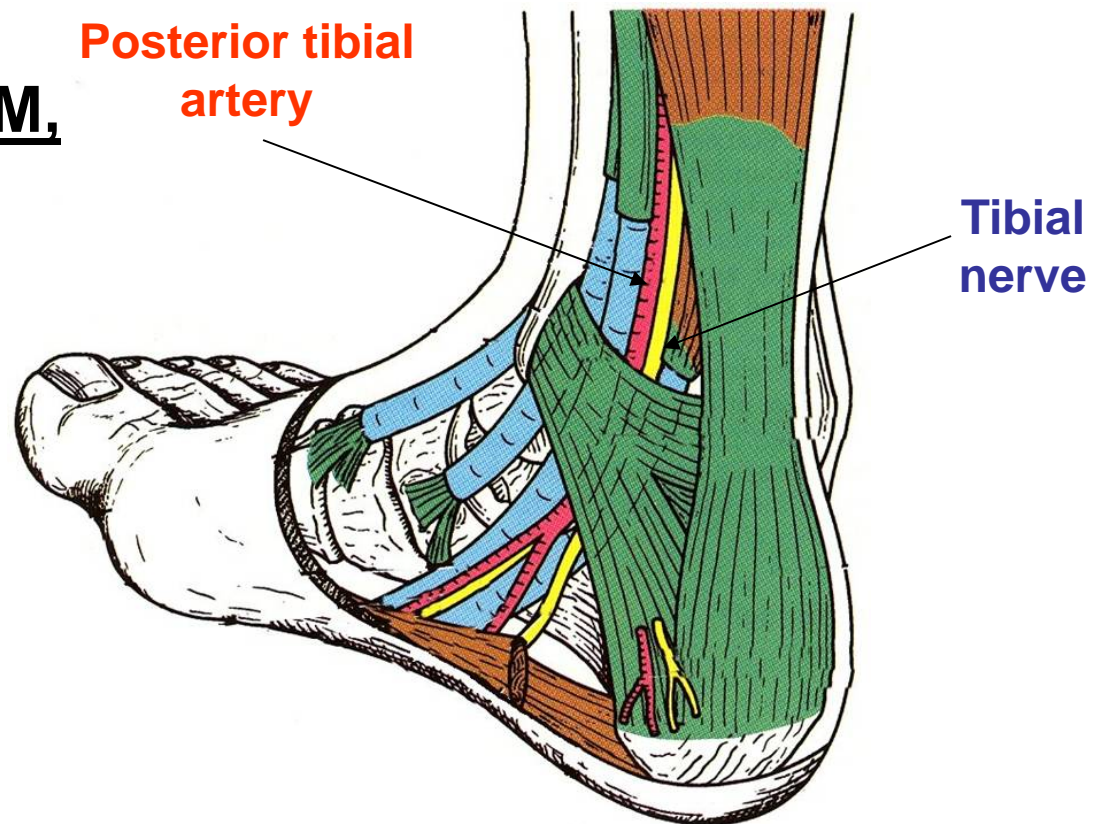


## IV. NERVES AND ARTERIES OF SOLE OF FOOT

FROM 'AND' OF TOM,  
DICK AND HARRY

**A** - Posterior Tibial  
**A**rtery

**N** - Tibial **N**erve



## ARTERIES OF SOLE OF FOOT

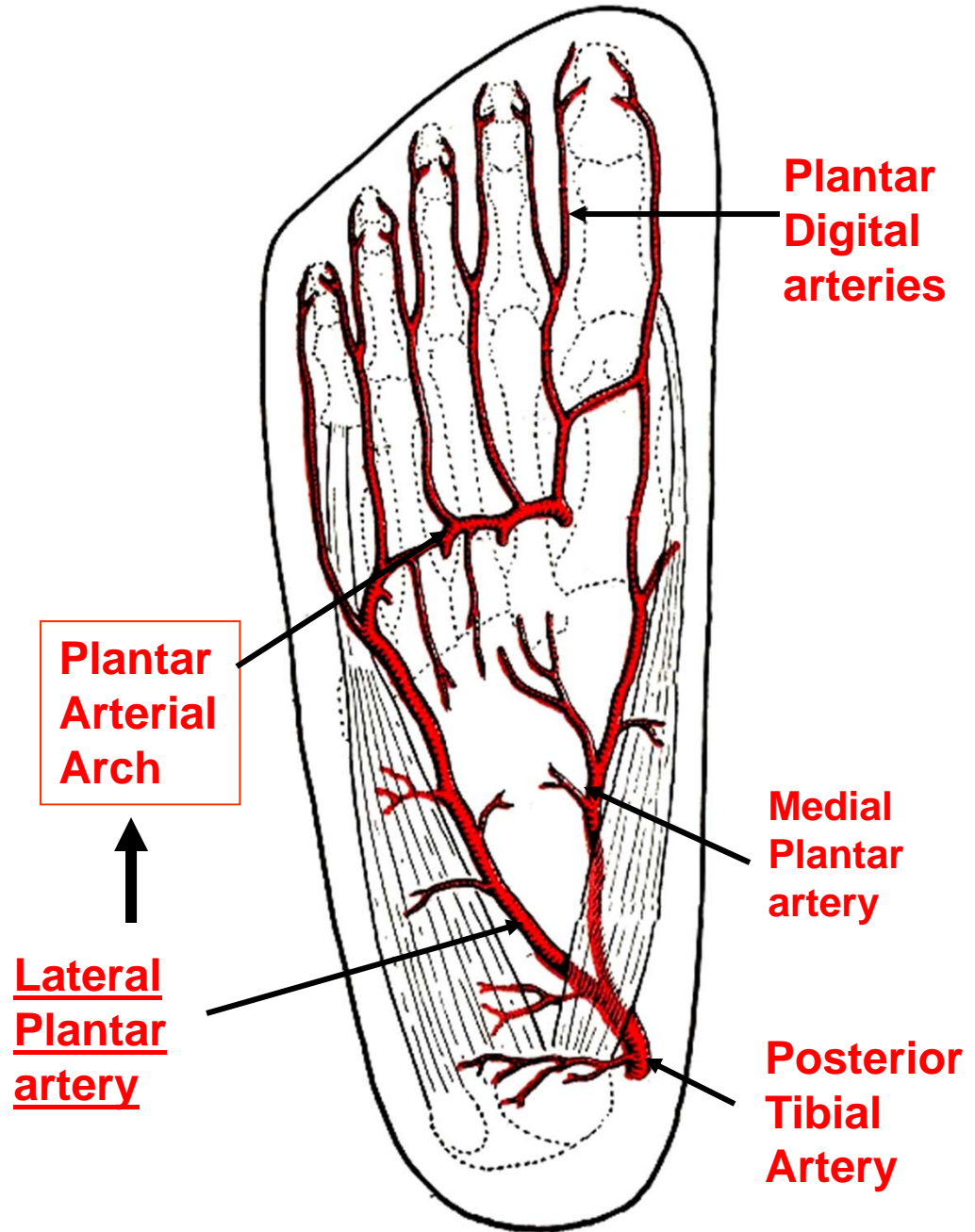
**Posterior Tibial Artery**  
divides:

1. **Lateral Plantar artery** - gives rise to

**Plantar Arterial arch**,  
located deep in foot;

**Plantar Arterial Arch** gives rise to  
arteries sides of toes  
(**Plantar Digital arteries**)

2. **Medial Plantar artery** -  
smaller branch **to medial**  
**foot**





# NERVES OF SOLE OF FOOT

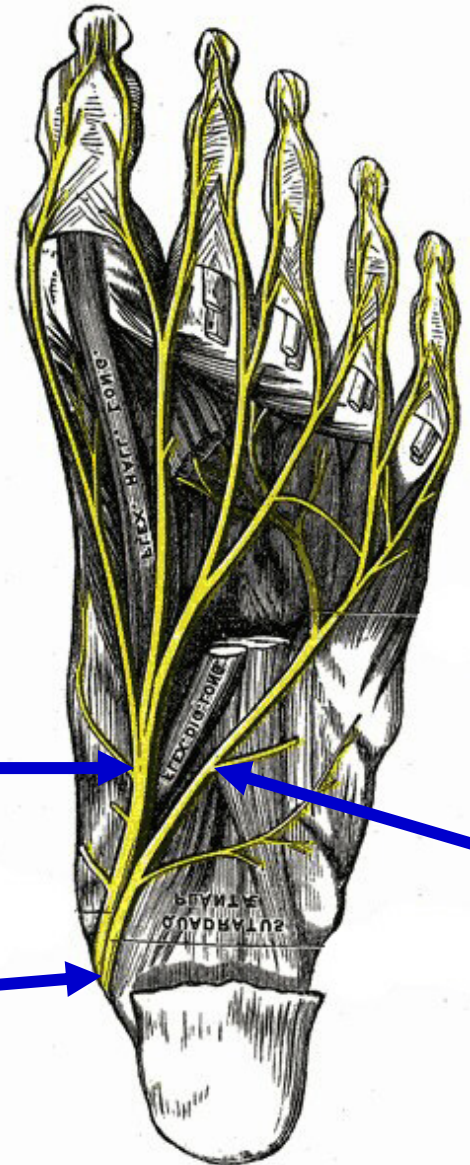
TIBIAL  
NERVE  
DIVIDES  
INTO  
MEDIAL  
AND  
LATERAL  
PLANTAR  
NERVES

**BOTH NERVES  
ARE SENSORY  
AND MOTOR**

MEDIAL  
PLANTAR  
NERVE

LATERAL  
PLANTAR  
NERVE

TIBIAL  
NERVE



# NERVES OF SOLE OF FOOT

## SENSORY

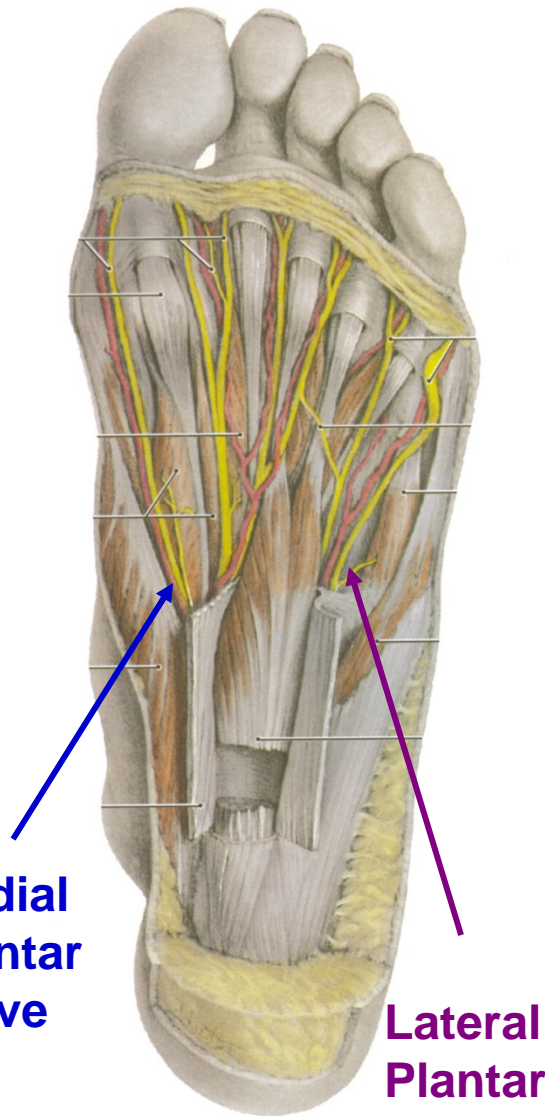
**Tibial Nerve** -  
branches:

1. **Medial Plantar nerve** - sensory  
branches to **medial 3  
1/2 digits and  
medial part of sole**

2. **Lateral Plantar nerve** - sensory  
branches to **lateral 1  
1/2 digits and  
lateral sole**

Medial  
Plantar  
nerve

Lateral  
Plantar  
nerve

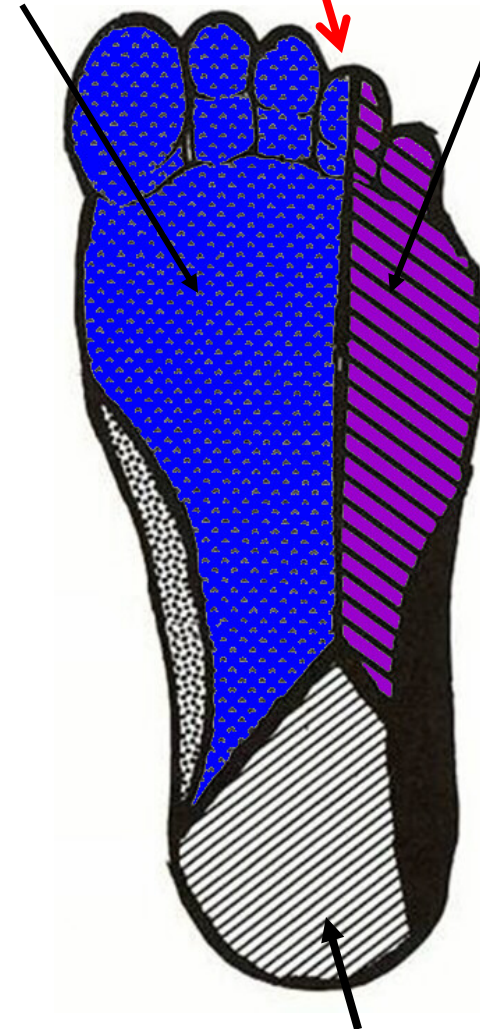


## sensory innervation of sole of foot

Medial  
Plantar  
nerve

**MIDDLE  
OF FOURTH  
TOE**

Lateral  
Plantar  
nerve



From TIBIAL N.

## NERVES OF SOLE OF FOOT

### INNERVATION ALL MUSCLES

**Tibial Nerve** - branches:

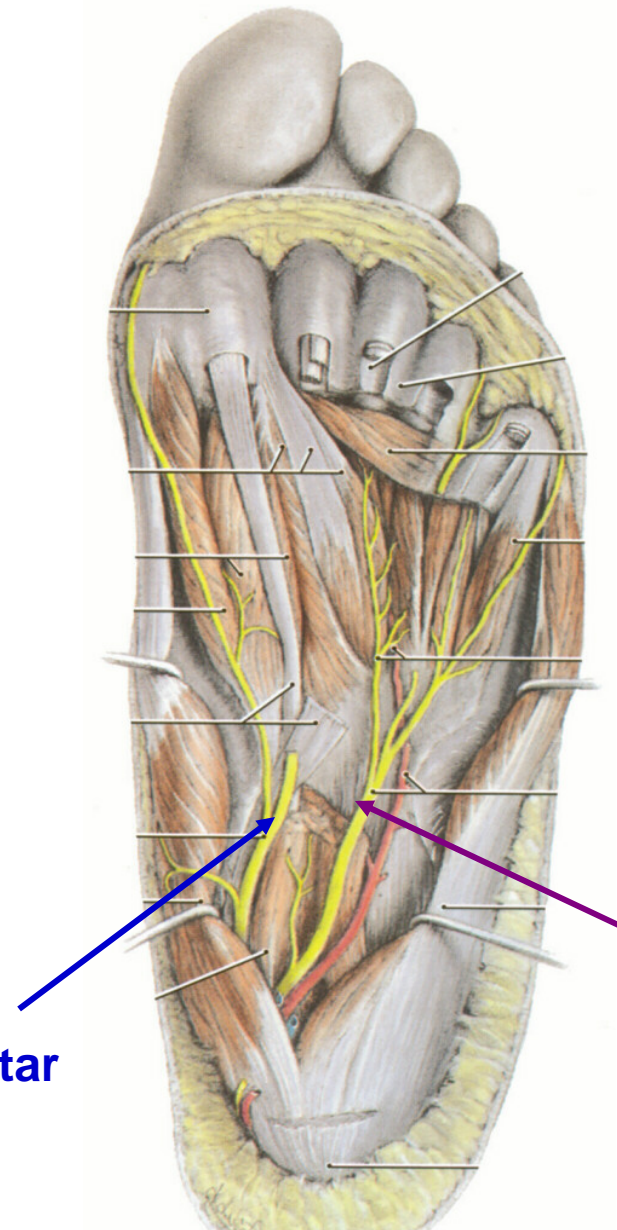
1. **Medial Plantar nerve** - motor branches - **4 muscles**

- 1) **2 muscles** of big toe (Flexor hallucis brevis, Abductor hallucis),
- 2) Flexor Digitorum brevis,
- 3) First Lumbrical.

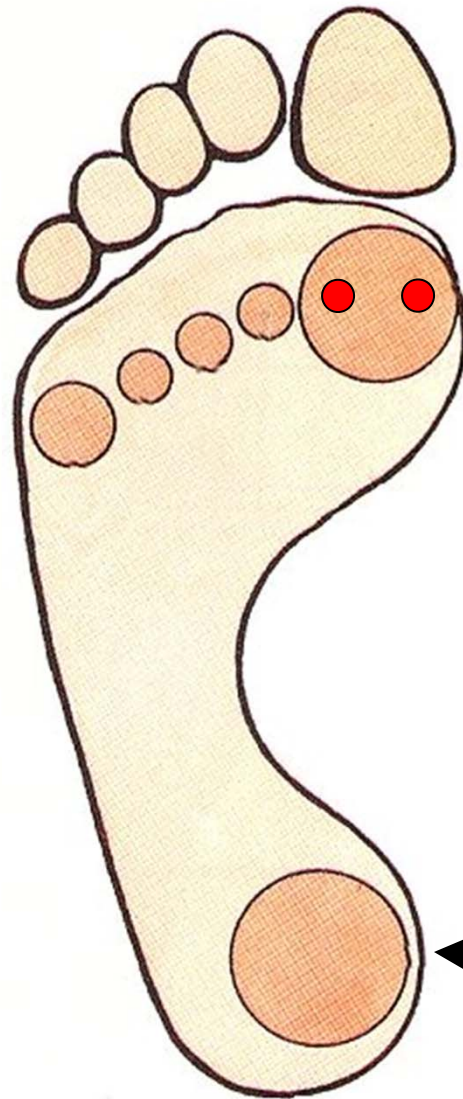
2. **Lateral Plantar nerve** - motor branches to **all remaining intrinsic muscles** of sole of foot

**Medial Plantar nerve**

**Lateral Plantar nerve**



## V. ARCHES OF FOOT AND SUPPORT OF BODY WEIGHT



**WEIGHT BEARING OF FOOT -  
weight is not evenly distributed  
on sole of foot**

**1. Anteriorly: Heads  
of the metatarsals (2-  
5) and two sesamoid  
bones inferior to the  
head of the first  
metatarsal forms six  
points of contact with  
ground**

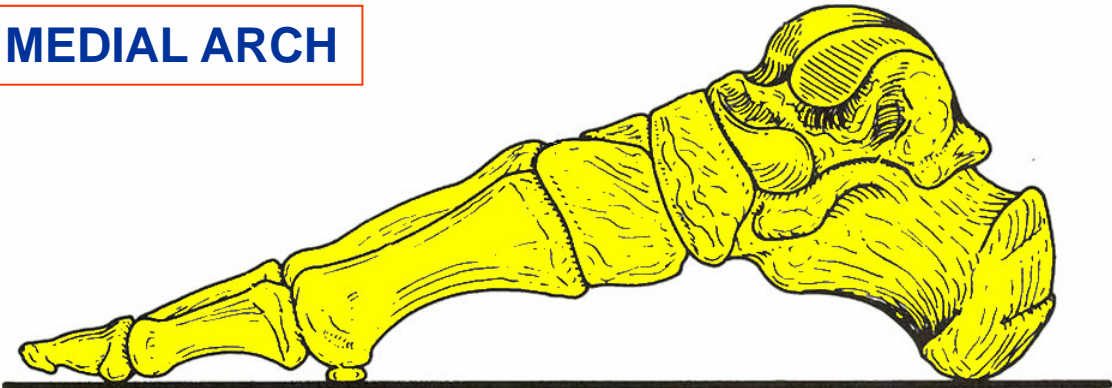
**2. Posteriorly:  
calcaneus**



## V. ARCHES OF FOOT AND SUPPORT OF BODY WEIGHT

A. Arches of foot - foot is not flat but has arches that allow ligaments to act like springs; foot contacts ground anteriorly at **heads of metatarsals** and **sesamoid bones** under first metatarsal ; posteriorly at **calcaneus**.

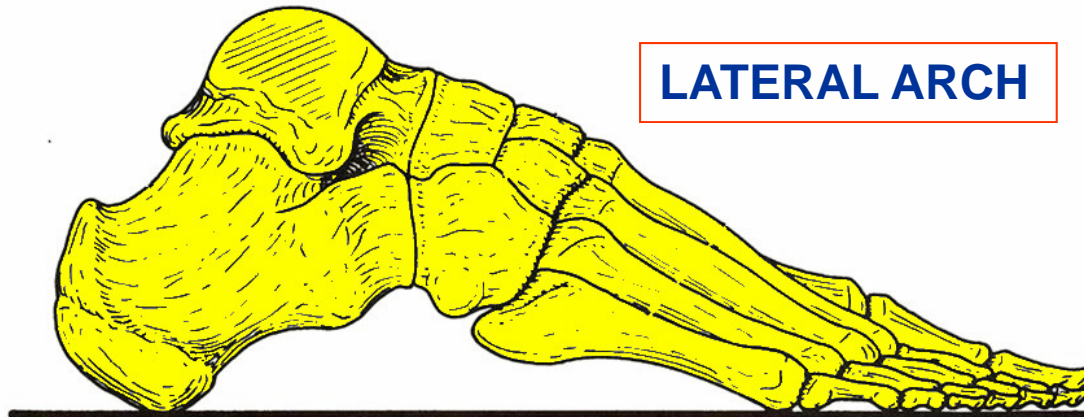
### MEDIAL ARCH



sesamoid bones

calcaneus

### LATERAL ARCH

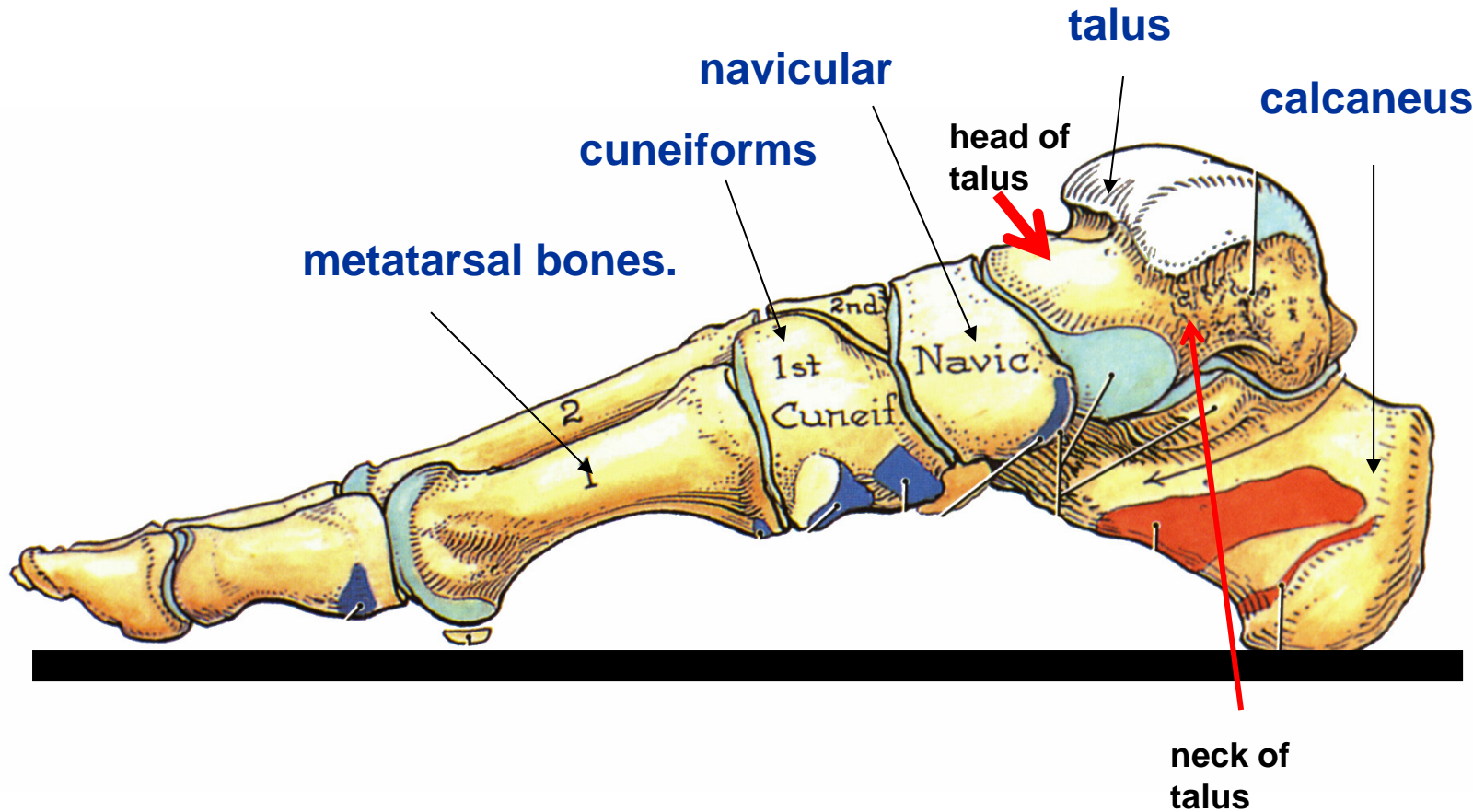


calcaneus

heads of metatarsals

# MEDIAL ARCH

1. Medial Longitudinal arch - highest arch, responsible for **'fallen arches' = PES PLANUS**
  - a. formed by - **calcaneus, talus, navicular, cuneiforms and medial three metatarsal bones.**



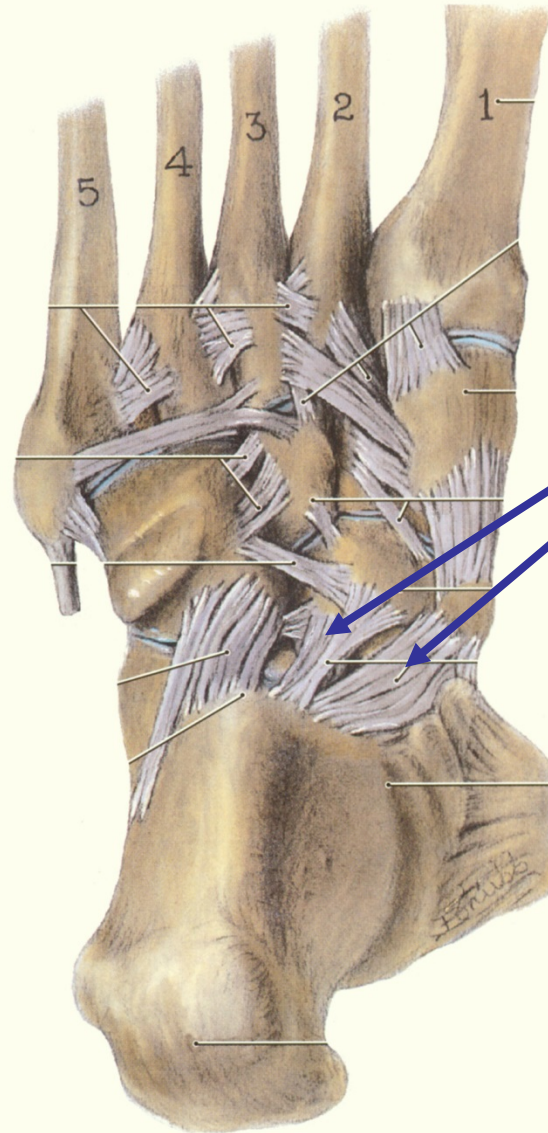
## MEDIAL ARCH

b. supported by ligaments and muscles

i. **Plantar Calcaneonavicular Ligament - 'Spring' ligament,**

most important ligament, keeps head of talus high off ground.

ii. **Tibialis Posterior and Tibialis Anterior** - insert to medial side of foot and support arch.

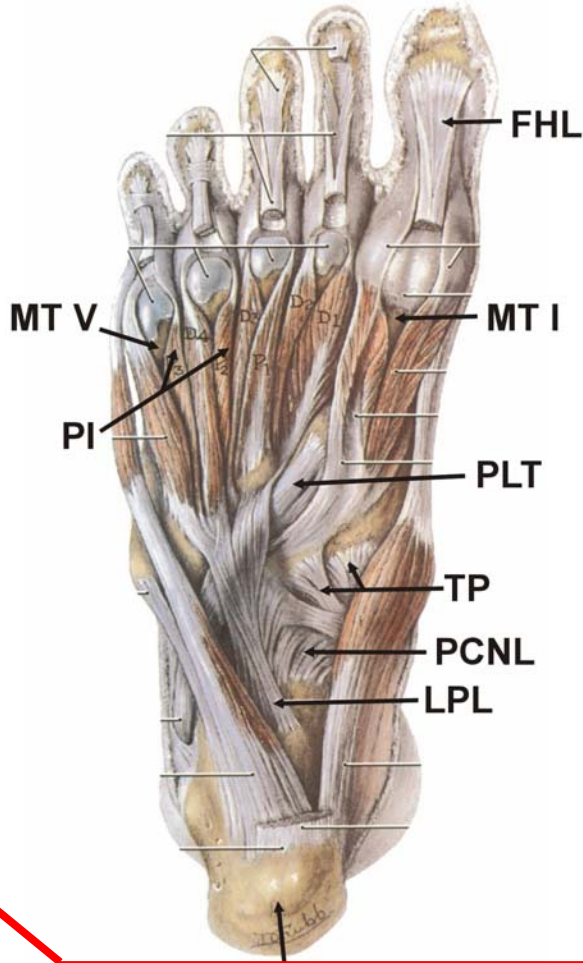
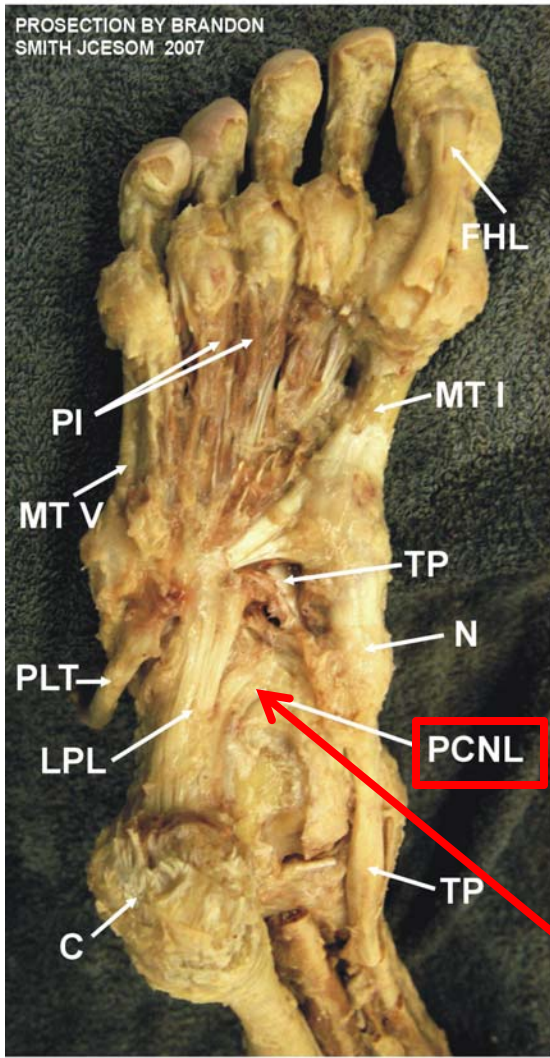


**Plantar Calcaneonavicular Ligament - 'Spring' ligament,**

Note: **'Flat' Feet - PES PLANUS** - weakening of Medial Longitudinal arch - associated with **stretching of Plantar Calcaneonavicular ligament.**



# DEEP FOOT: PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON



- MT I - 1st METATARSAL
- MT V - 5th METATARSAL
- C - CALCANEUS
- FHL - FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS TENDON
- LPL - LONG PLANTAR LIGAMENT
- N - NAVICULAR BONE
- PLT - PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON
- PCNL - PLANTAR CALCANEONAVICULAR LIGAMENT
- NTPLT - PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON

**Plantar Calcaneonavicular Ligament - 'Spring' ligament - FLAT FEET - PES PLANUS**



## MEDIAL ARCH

b. supported by ligaments and muscles

i. **Plantar**

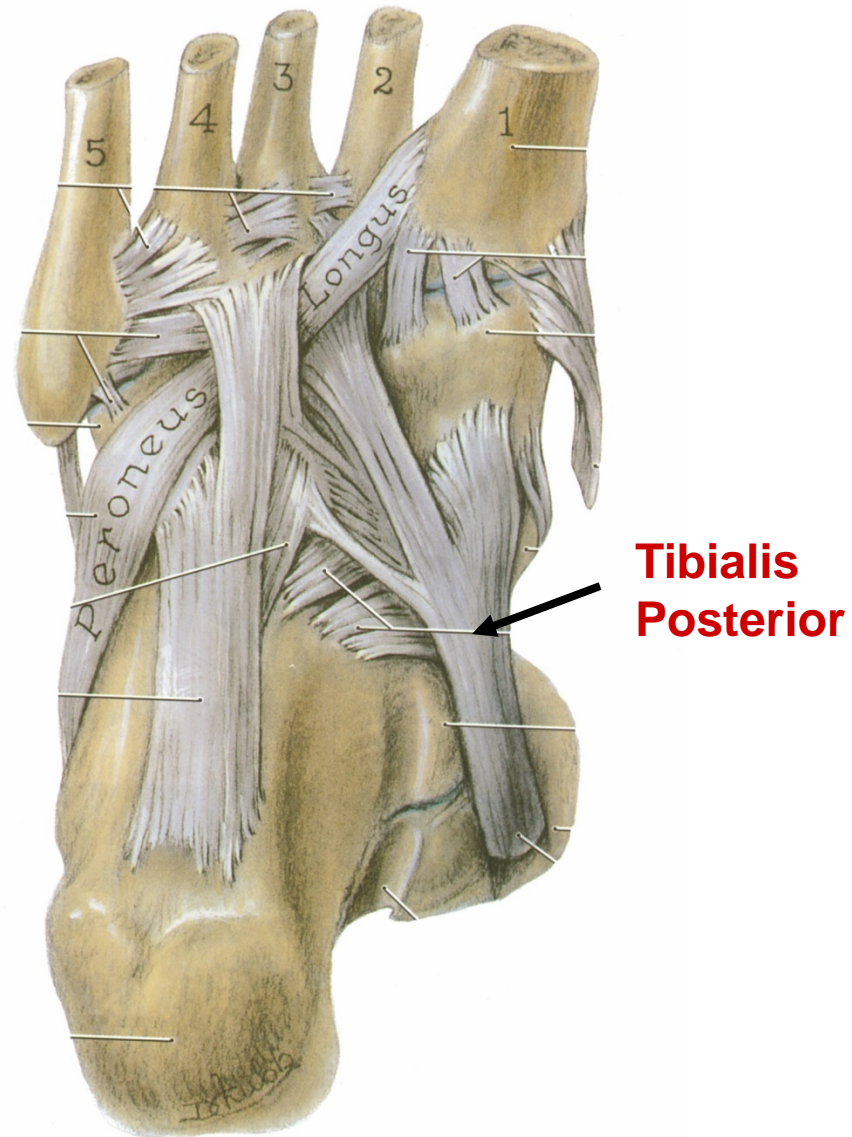
**Calcaneonavicular Ligament - 'Spring' ligament,**

most important ligament, keeps head of talus high off ground.

ii. **Tibialis Posterior and Tibialis Anterior**

- insert to medial side of foot and support arch.

**MUSCLES THAT INVERT FOOT SUPPORT MEDIAL ARCH**



## LATERAL ARCH

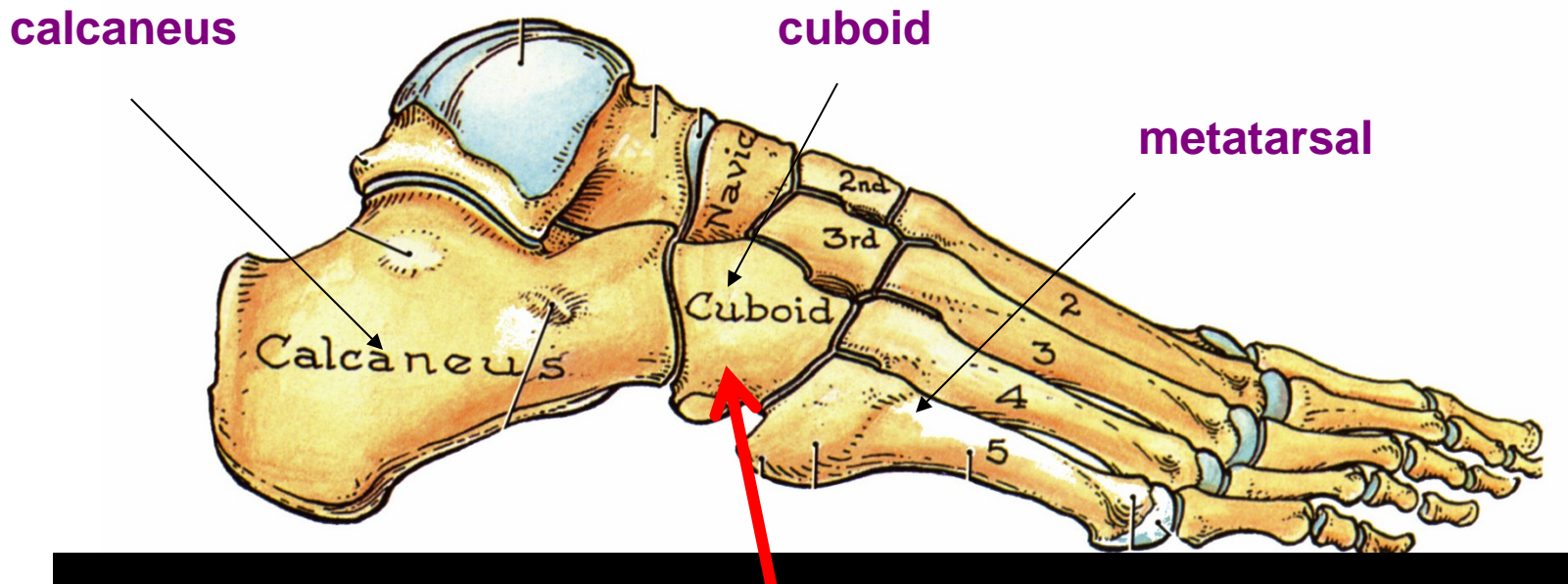
2. **Lateral Longitudinal arch** - smaller

a. formed by - calcaneus, cuboid and lateral two metatarsals

b. supported by

i. Long Plantar Ligament and Plantar Aponeurosis

ii. Peroneal tendons



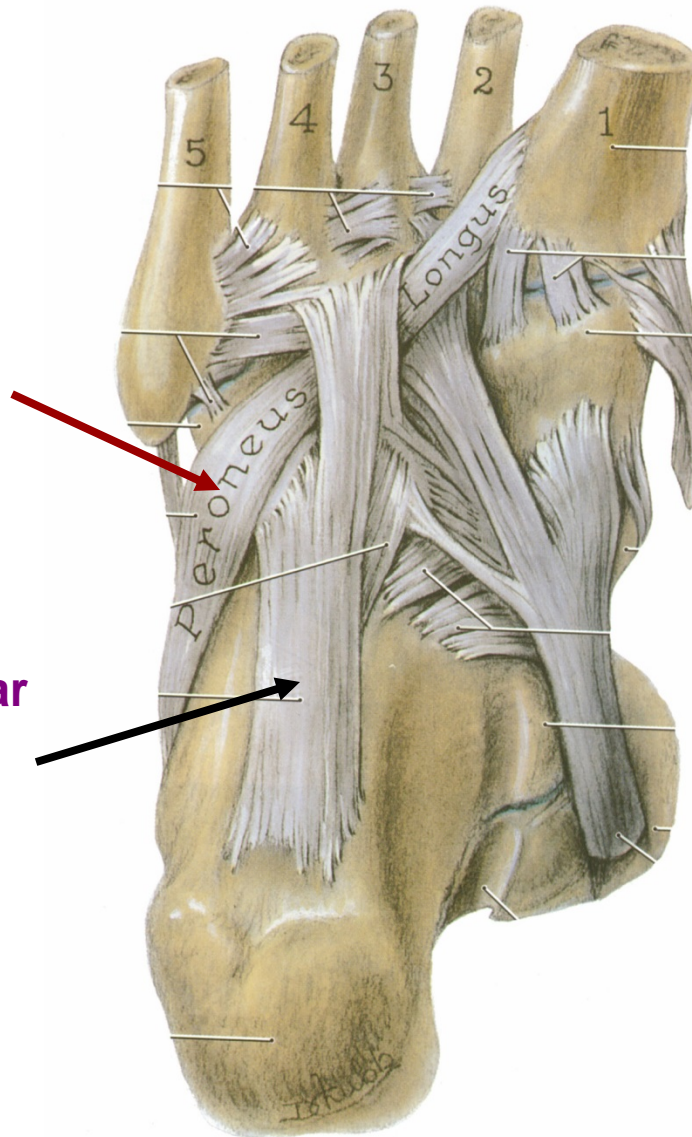
**CUBOID IS MOST INFERIOR  
IN LATERAL X-RAY**

# LATERAL ARCH

- b. supported by
  - i. Long Plantar Ligament (calcaneus to cuboid) and Plantar Aponeurosis
  - ii. **Peroneal tendons**

**Long Plantar Ligament**

**Peroneal tendons**

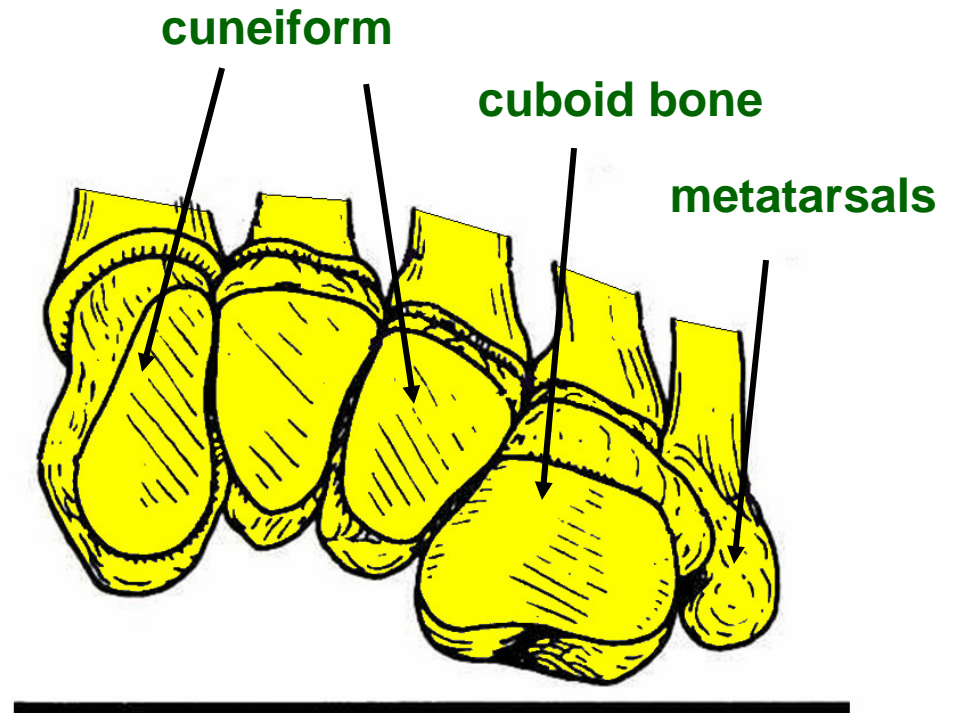
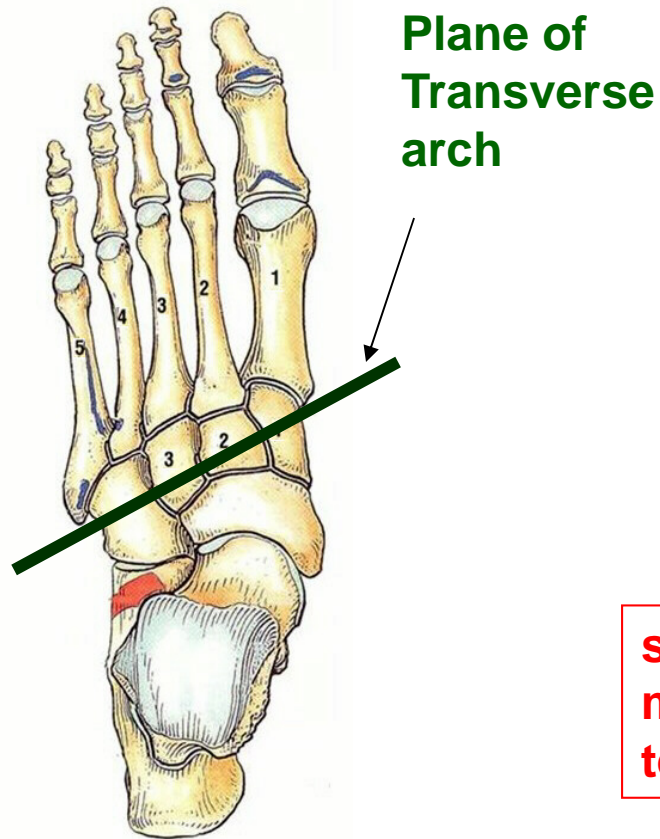


**MUSCLES THAT EVERT  
FOOT SUPPORT LATERAL  
ARCH**

# TRANSVERSE ARCH

## 3. Transverse arch

- a. formed by cuneiform and cuboid bones and metatarsals



supported by Interosseus muscles and Peroneus longus tendon



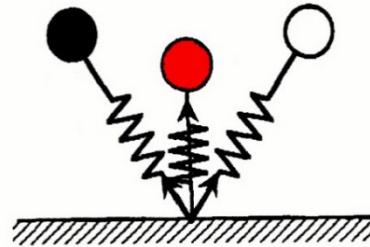
# PROSTHETIC FEET MADE OF SPRINGS FOR AMPUTEE RUNNERS

## PHYSICS OF BOUNCING BALL DESCRIBES RUNNING



$$F = k \cdot x$$

F = force  
x = vertical displacement  
k = spring constant



Load springs when put weight on foot on ground

## OSSUR PROSTHETIC LEG IS A LEAF SPRING



## PROSTHETIC FEET MADE OF SPRINGS FOR AMPUTEE RUNNERS

**New design facilitates use of foot without tiring.**

**Sarah Reinertsen**

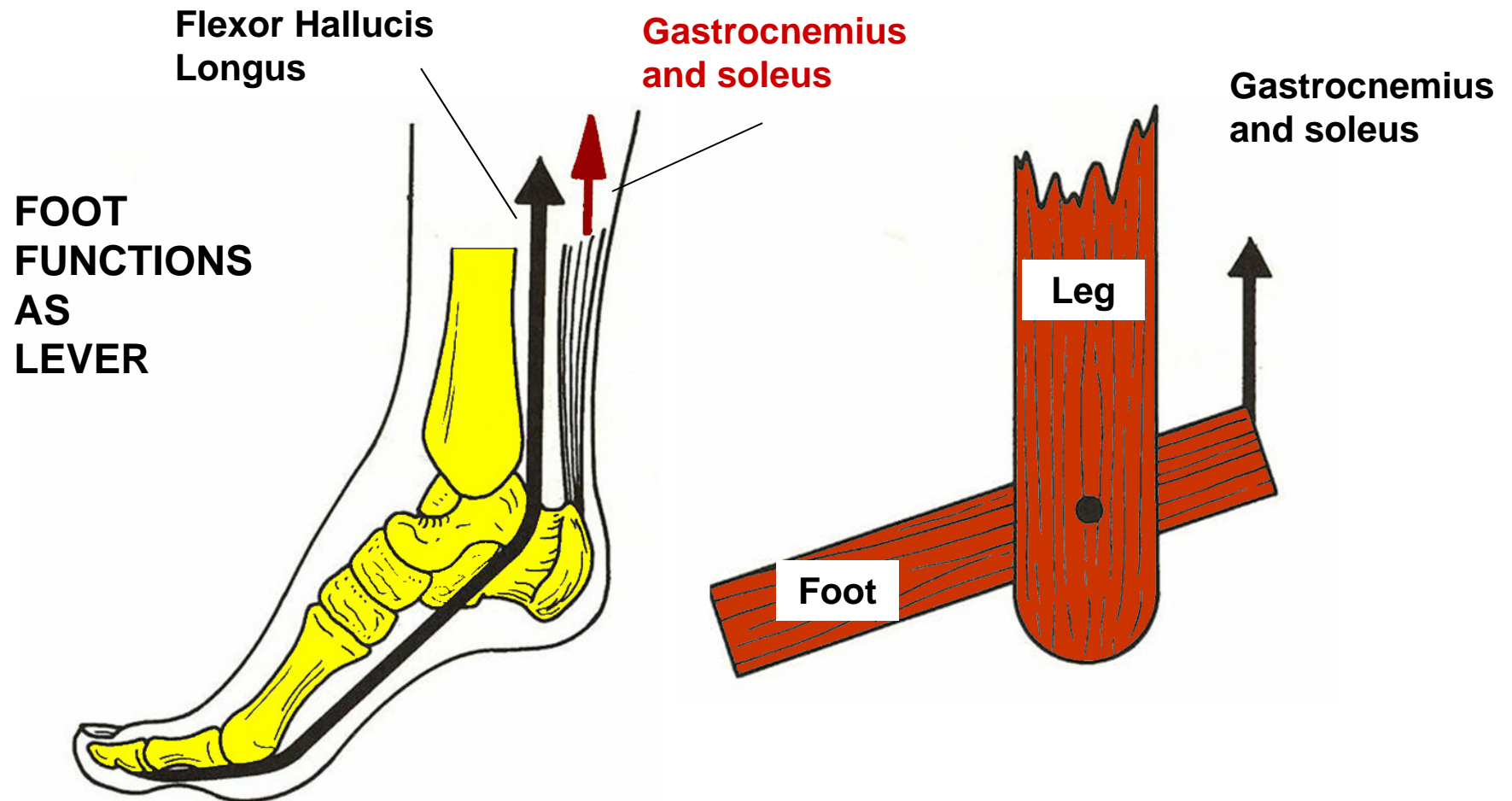


**carbon fiber -  
stiffness  
matches  
mass of  
runner**

The first woman to swim 2.4 miles, bike 112 miles, and run 26.2 miles on a prosthetic leg at the Ironman World Championships (Kona, Hawaii) in 15 hours 5 minutes. (Oscar Pistorius - competed in Olympics; famous trial)

# I. DESIGN OF FOOT

1) foot acts like a lever in generating forces for walking and running



Support of body weight - primarily by muscles that attach to tendo calcaneus (gastrocnemius and soleus); gastrocnemius and soleus pull up on calcaneus and prevent body from falling forward (anteriorly); also muscles with long tendons to toes (ex. flexor hallucis longus) that use bones of foot and malleoli as pulleys.

## WHY BALLET DANCERS ARE GENERALLY SMALL AND LIGHT

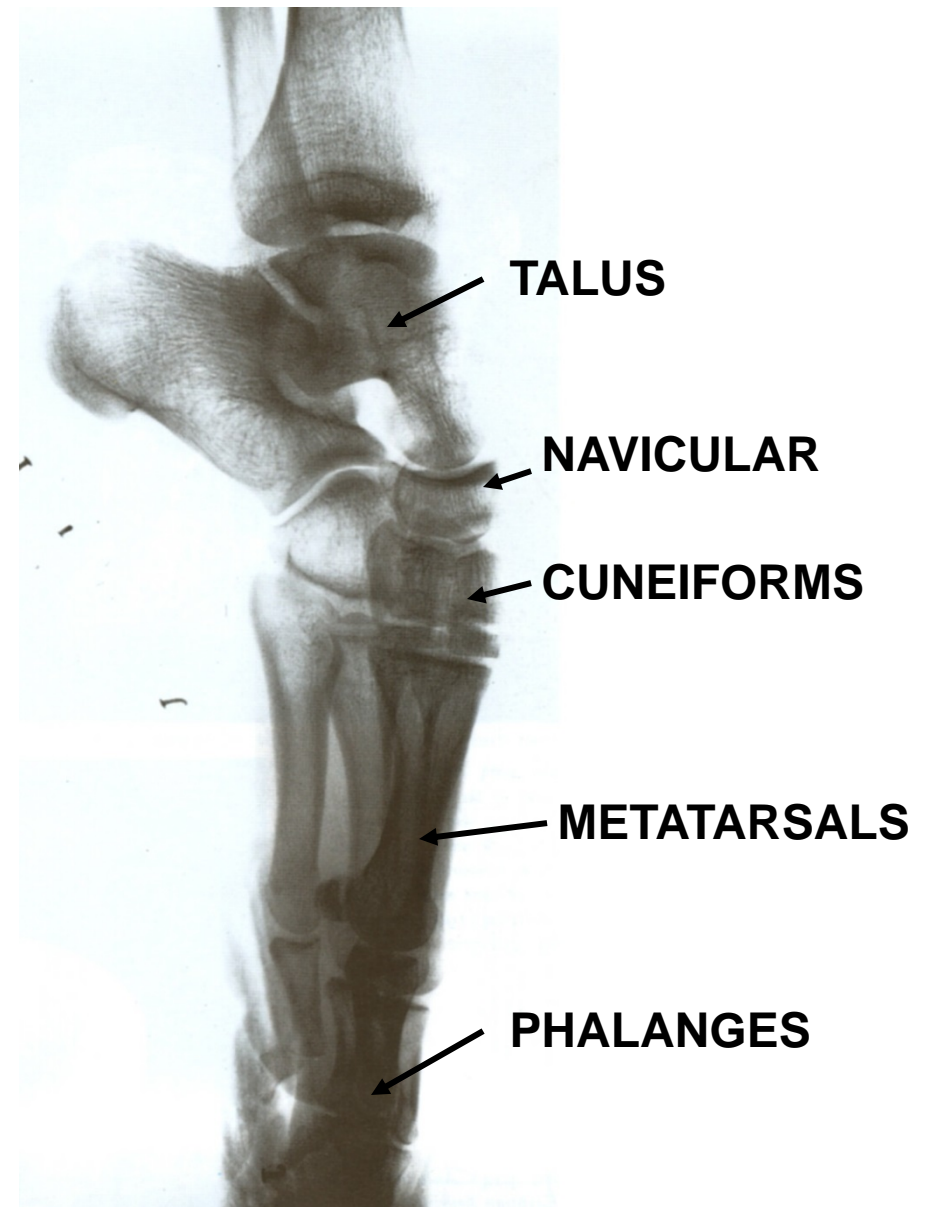


FIG. 4.12 An X-ray picture of the foot of a ballet dancer

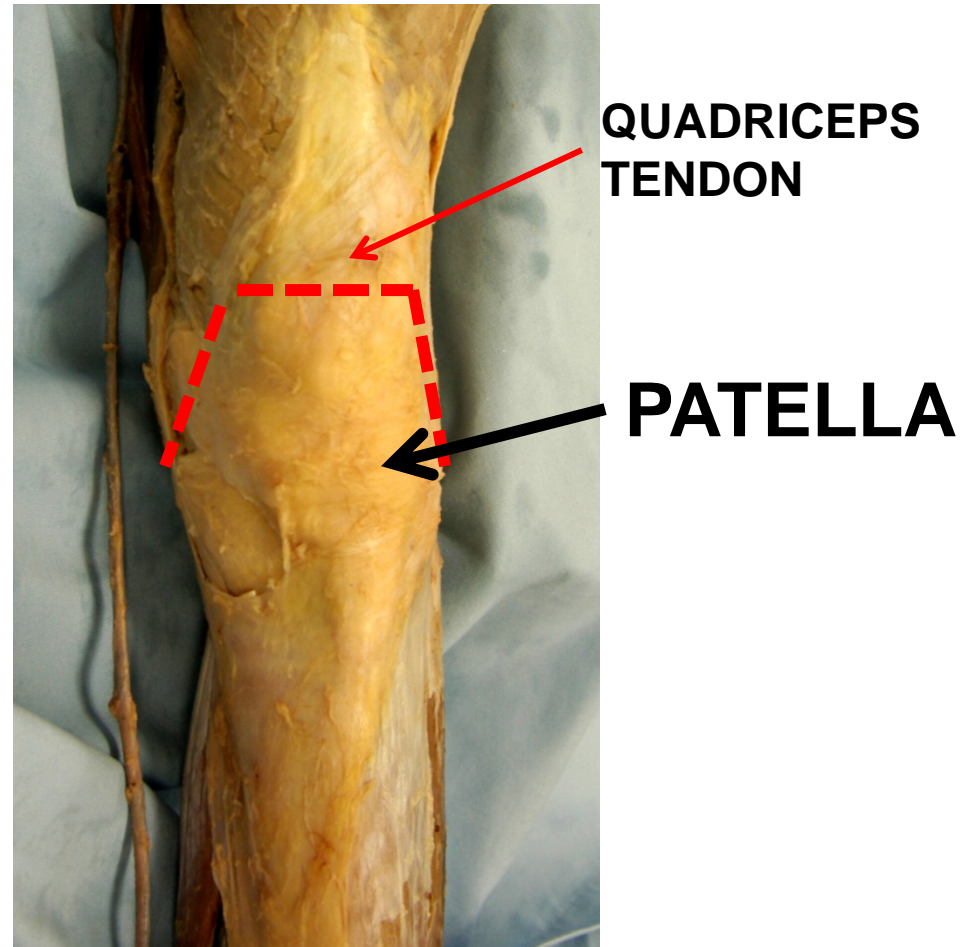
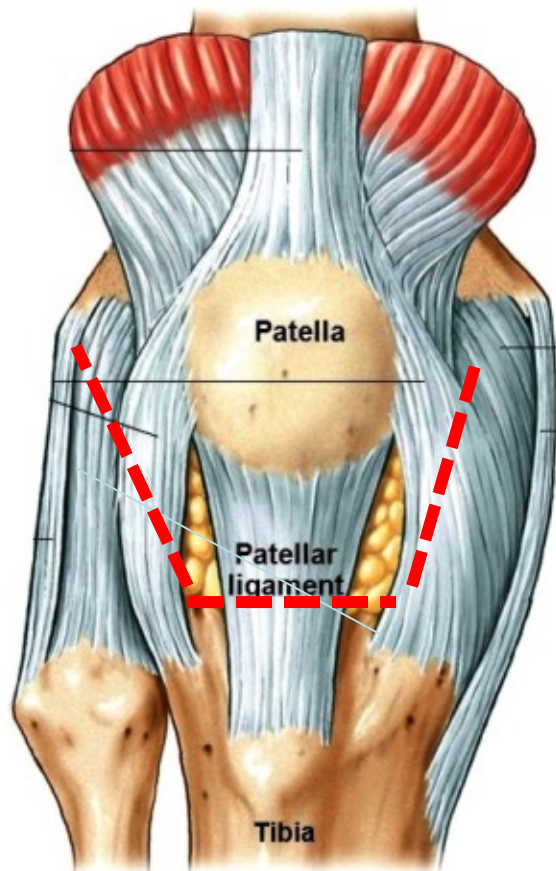
**XRAY OF BALLERINA'S FOOT EN POINT  
- body weight supported by phalanges**





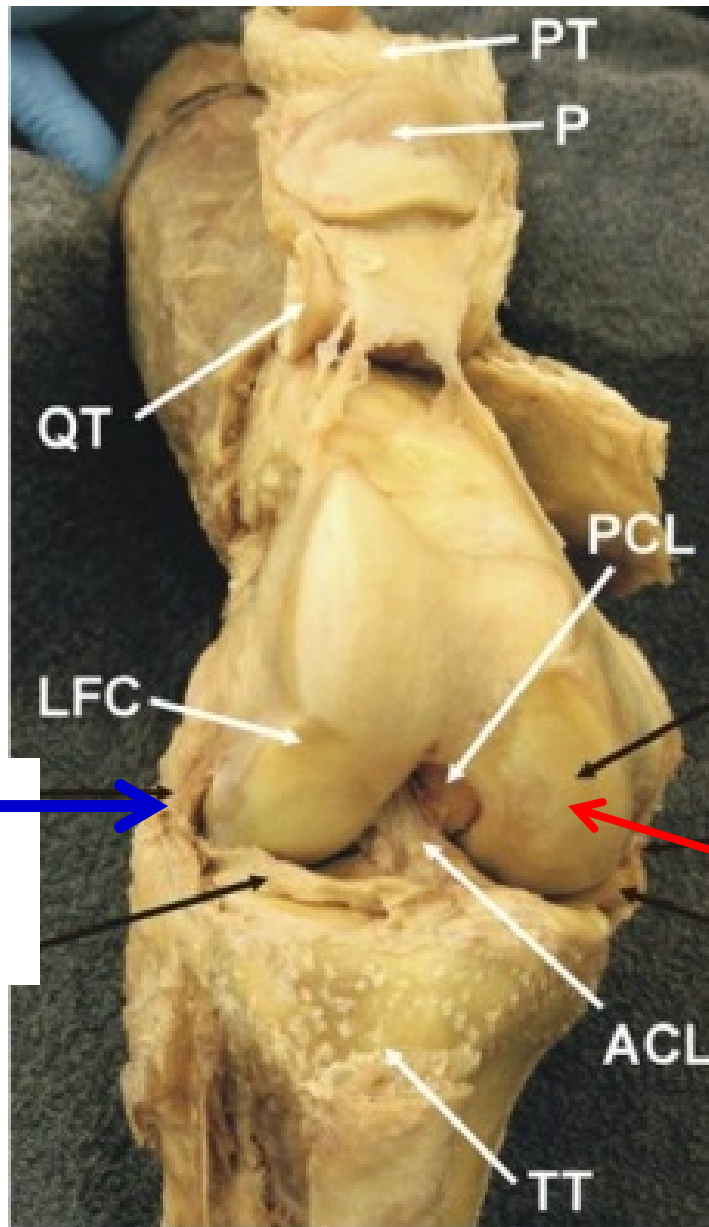
**XRAY OF FOOT IN HIGH-HEELED SHOE - body weight transmitted along leg of metatarsal**

# EXPOSE INTERIOR OF KNEE JOINT



**1 - CUT ACROSS PATELLAR LIGAMENT OR QUADRICEPS TENDON; EXTEND CUT UP ON BOTH SIDES TOWARD SIDES OF KNEE JOINT.**

# EXPOSE INTERIOR OF KNEE JOINT



2 - LOOK INSIDE  
KNEE JOINT.

**ACL (ANTERIOR  
CRUCIATE LIGAMENT) IS  
POINTING TOWARD YOU.**

3- IDENTIFY: ACL, PCL,  
MENISCI  
ALSO:  
LATERAL COLLATERAL  
LIGAMENT

4- LOOK AT **ARTICULAR  
CARTILAGE ON FEMUR** FOR  
EVIDENCE OF  
**OSTEOARTHRITIS** (LOOKS  
LIKE SURFACE OF THE  
MOON INSTEAD OF  
SMOOTH)

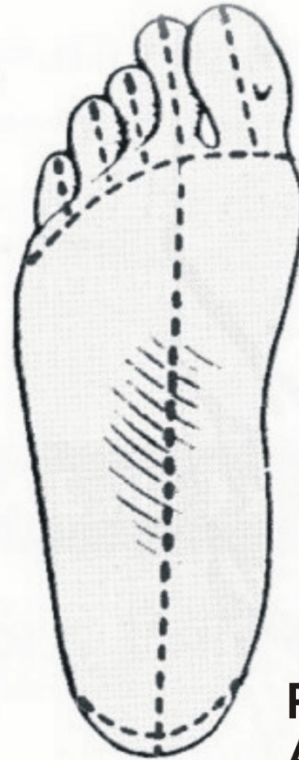
LATERAL  
COLLATERAL  
LIGAMENT

# DISSECTION INSTRUCTIONS: FOOT

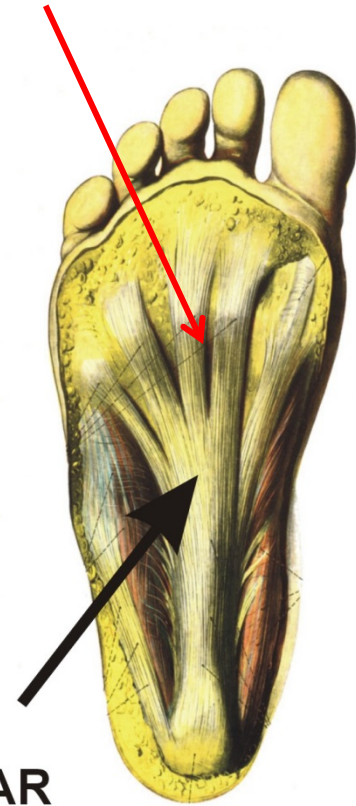
## FIRST: REMOVE SKIN FROM SOLE OF FOOT

Skin of the sole is very thick: just remove all tissues superficial to the Plantar Aponeurosis (a very thick, white layer). If you start removing muscles (appear red), stay a little more superficial. It is not necessary to skin all the toes.

### SKIN INCISIONS



FIND



PLANTAR  
APONEUROSIS

**1) COMPLETELY REMOVE THE PLANTAR APONEUROSIS** - the white connective tissue layer



# LAYER 1 FOOT MUSCLES, NERVES, ARTERIES

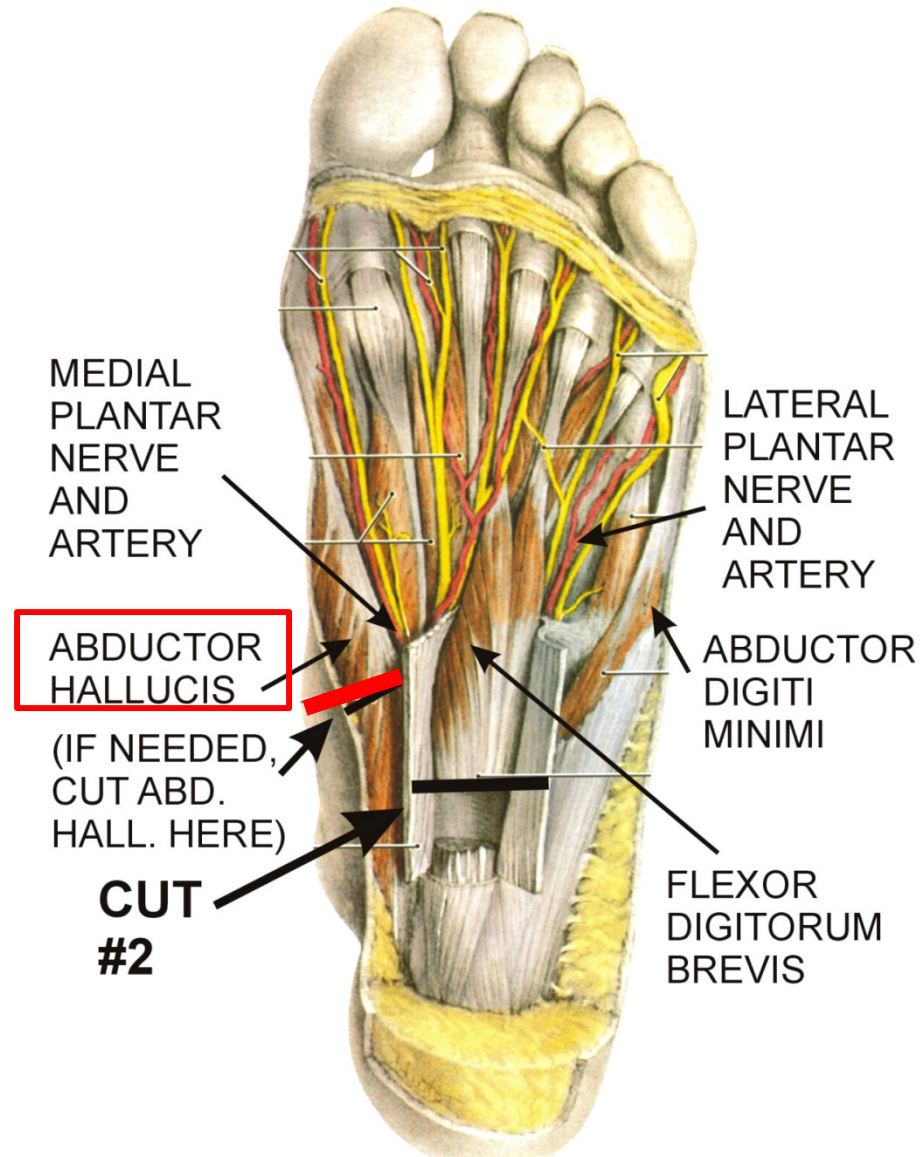
2. IDENTIFY NO CUTS EXCEPT ABD. HALL.

a. Identify the muscles ABDUCTOR HALLUCIS, FLEXOR DIGITORUM BREVIS, ABDUCTOR DIGITI MINIMI.

b. Then REVIEW TOM, DICK and HARRY (TIBIALIS POSTERIOR, FLEXOR DIGITORUM LONGUS, POSTERIOR TIBIAL ARTERY, TIBIAL NERVE, FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS) on the medial side of the foot (FOLLOW STRUCTURES INTO FOOT).

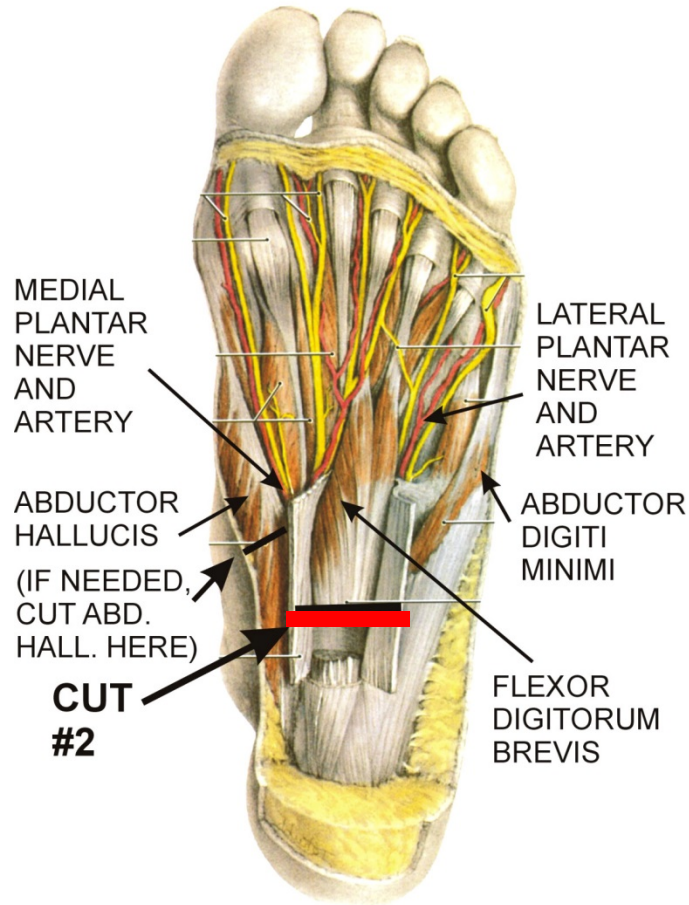
c. Find the branches of the POSTERIOR TIBIAL ARTERY (**LATERAL PLANTAR ARTERY, MEDIAL PLANTAR ARTERY**) AND THE TIBIAL NERVE (**LATERAL PLANTAR NERVE, MEDIAL PLANTAR NERVE**)

NOTE: THIS MAY BE EASIER IF YOU **CUT THE ABDUCTOR HALLUCIS ACROSS THE MIDDLE OF THE MUSCLE**



## EXPOSE LAYER 2 FOOT MUSCLES

3) CUT THE ATTACHMENT OF THE FLEXOR DIGITORUM BREVIS FROM THE CALCANEUS AND REFLECT IT TOWARD THE TOES



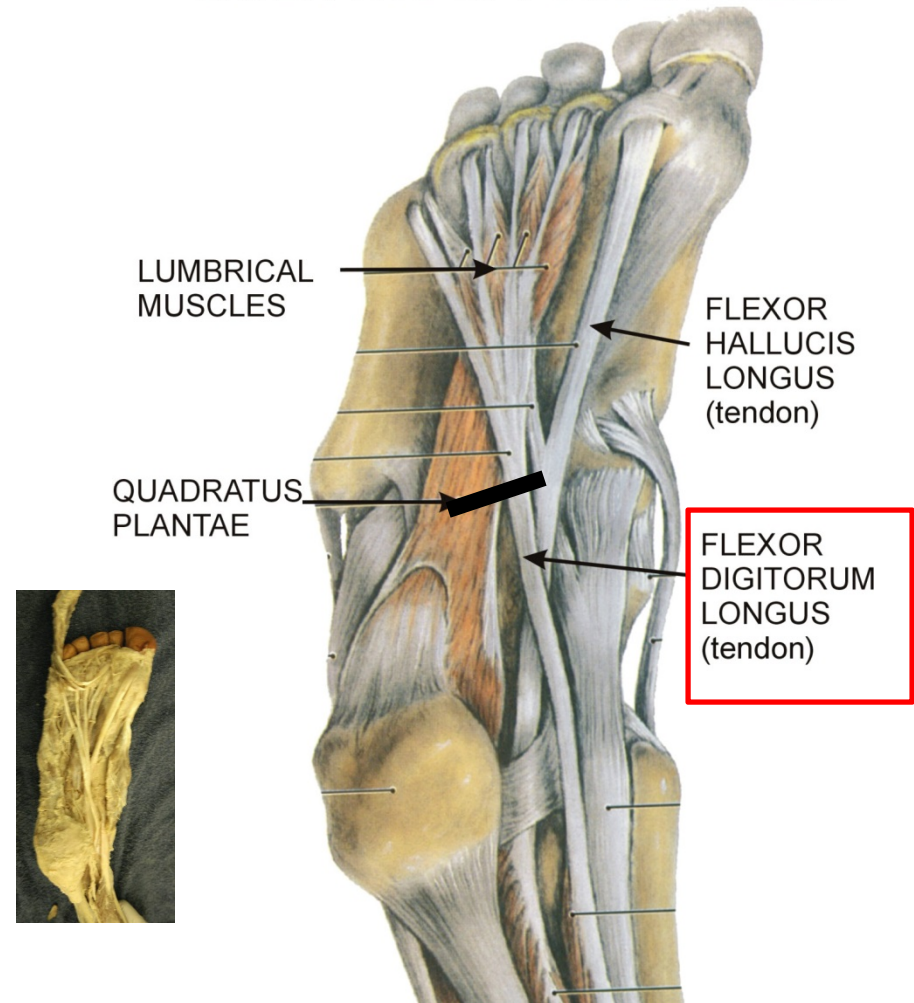
**FLEXOR DIGITORUM BREVIS**



# LAYER 2 FOOT MUSCLES

Identify:  
**FLEXOR DIGITORUM  
LONGUS,  
LUMBRICALS,  
QUADRATUS  
PLANTAE,  
FLEXOR HALLUCIS  
LONGUS**

LAYER TWO OF FOOT MUSCLES



**Can stop here or cut through tendon of Flexor Digitorum Longus**

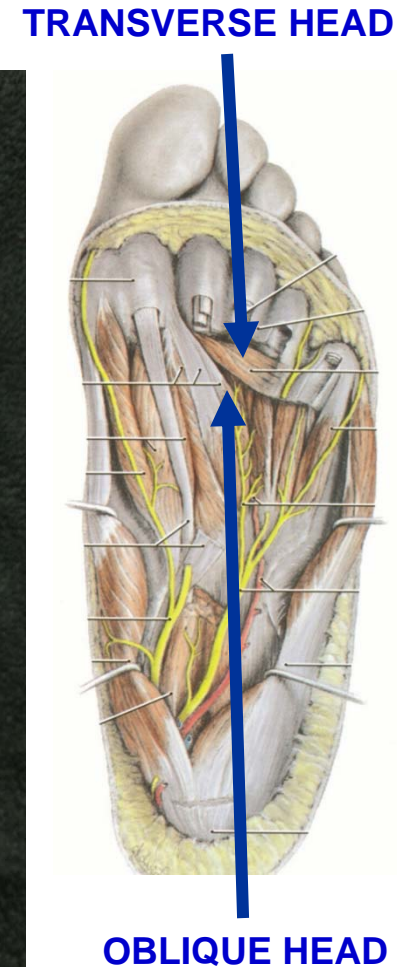
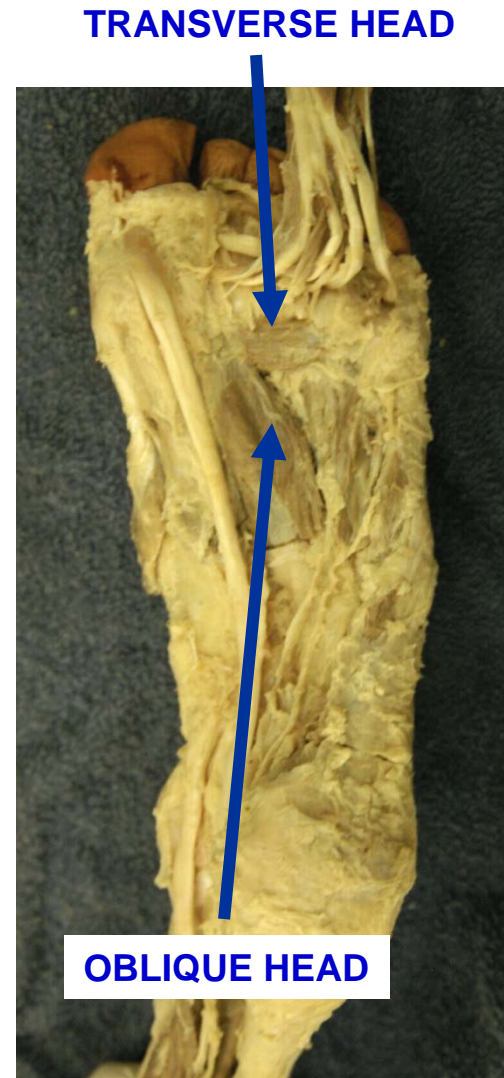
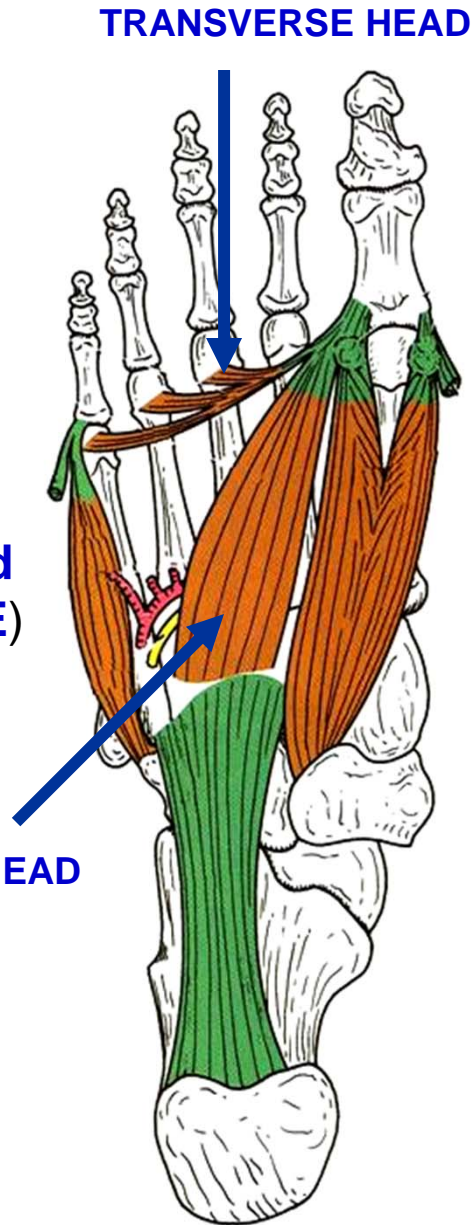


## MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 3

C. Layer 3 -  
Small muscles  
to big toe and  
little toe.

2. **Adductor  
hallucis** - two  
heads of origin  
(**OBLIQUE** and  
**TRANSVERSE**)  
and one  
common  
tendon.

OBLIQUE HEAD

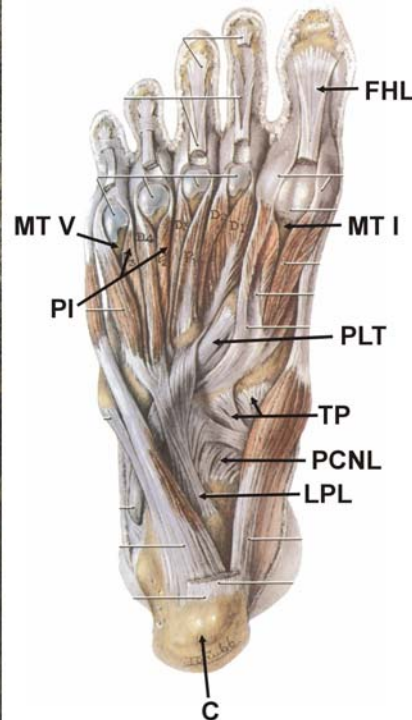
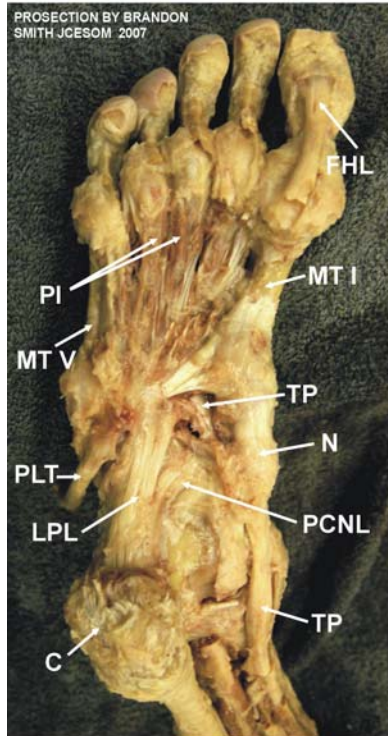


**SEE ADDUCTOR HALLUCIS**



# STUDY MUSCLES OF FOOT - Layer 4 ON PROSECTIONS 220, 215

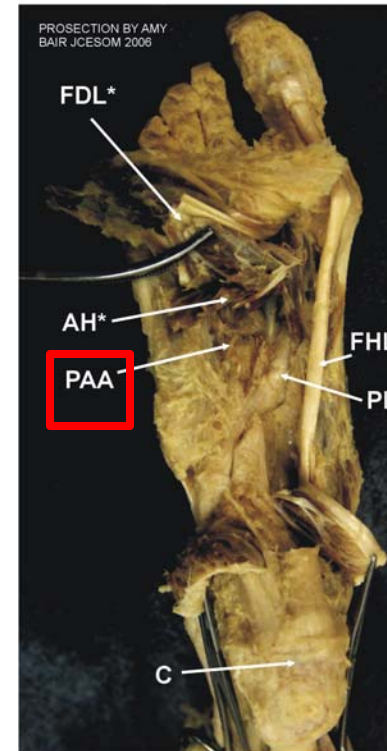
DEEP FOOT: PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON 220



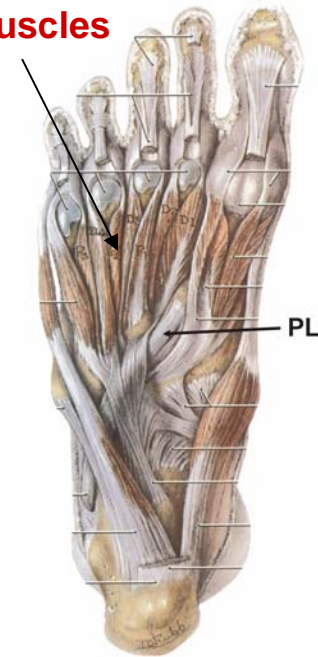
MT I - 1st METATARSAL  
 MT V - 5th METATARSAL  
 C - CALCANEUS  
 FHL - FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS TENDON  
 LPL - LONG PLANTAR LIGAMENT  
 N - NAVICULAR BONE  
 PLT - PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON  
 PCNL - PLANTAR CALCANEONAVICULAR LIGAMENT  
 NTPLT - PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON

PI - PLANTAR INTEROSSEUS MM.  
 TP - TIBIALIS POSTERIOR

DEEP FOOT: PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON 215



Interosseus  
 muscles



FDL\* - FLEXOR DIGITORUM LONGUS (REFLECTED)  
 AH\* - ADDUCTOR HALLICUS (REFLECTED)  
 PAA - PLANTAR ARTERIAL ARCH  
 PL - PERONEUS LONGUS TENDON  
 C - CALCANEUS  
 FHL - FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS

also Plantar arterial arch\*

## **CHECK LIST FOR SOLE OF FOOT LAB 2018**

### **1) LAYER ONE**

#### **MUSCLES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ ABDUCTOR HALLUCIS
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXOR DIGITORUM BREVIS
- \_\_\_\_\_ ABDUCTOR DIGITI MINIMI
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS  
(tendon)
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXOR DIGITORUM LONGUS  
(tendon)

#### **ARTERIES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ POSTERIOR TIBIAL ARTERY
- \_\_\_\_\_ LATERAL PLANTAR ARTERY
- \_\_\_\_\_ MEDIAL PLANTAR ARTERY

#### **NERVES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ TIBIAL NERVE
- \_\_\_\_\_ LATERAL PLANTAR NERVE
- \_\_\_\_\_ MEDIAL PLANTAR NERVE

### **2) LAYER TWO**

#### **MUSCLES -**

- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXOR HALLUCIS LONGUS (tendon)
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXOR DIGITORUM LONGUS (tendon)
- \_\_\_\_\_ LUMBRICALS
- \_\_\_\_\_ QUADRATUS PLANTAE

**SEE REMAINING STRUCTURES ON PROSECTIONS**