



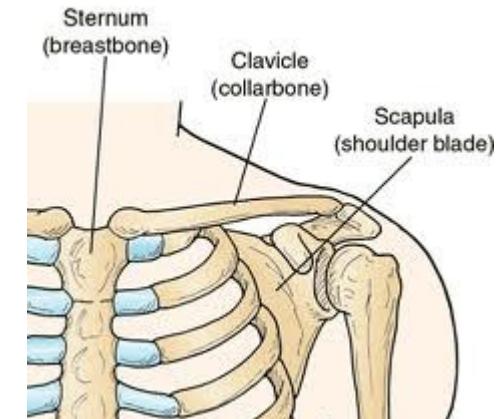
# Joints of the upper extremity

## JOINTS OF THE UPPER EXTREMITY

### Joints of girdle bones:

scapula + clavicle – art. acromioclavicularis

clavicle + sternum – art. sternoclavicularis



### Joints of bones of free upper extremity:

humerus + scapula – art. humeri

humerus + radius + ulna – art. cubiti

radius + ulna – membrana interossea antebrachii  
– art. radioulnaris distalis

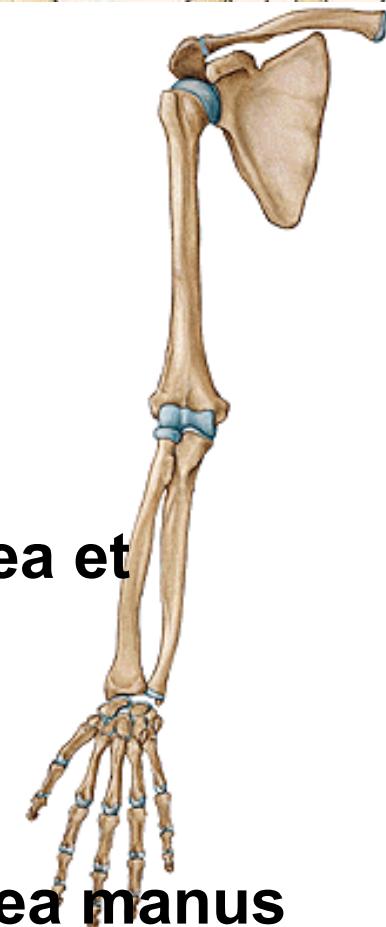
radius + carpal bones – art. radiocarpea

carpal bones between themselves – art. mediocarpea et  
intercarpea

carpal + metacarpal bones – art. carpometacarpea

metacarpal bones + proximal phalanges – art.  
metacarpophalangea

phalanges between themselves – art. interphalangea manus



## Joints of girdle bones

### I. Articulatio sternoclavicularis

Type: composed joint- discus articularis is inserted

Type of joint: spherical joint (is bound to movements of scapula)

Articular head: facies articularis sternalis claviculae

articular pit: incisura clavicularis manubrii sterni

articular capsule: tough, short

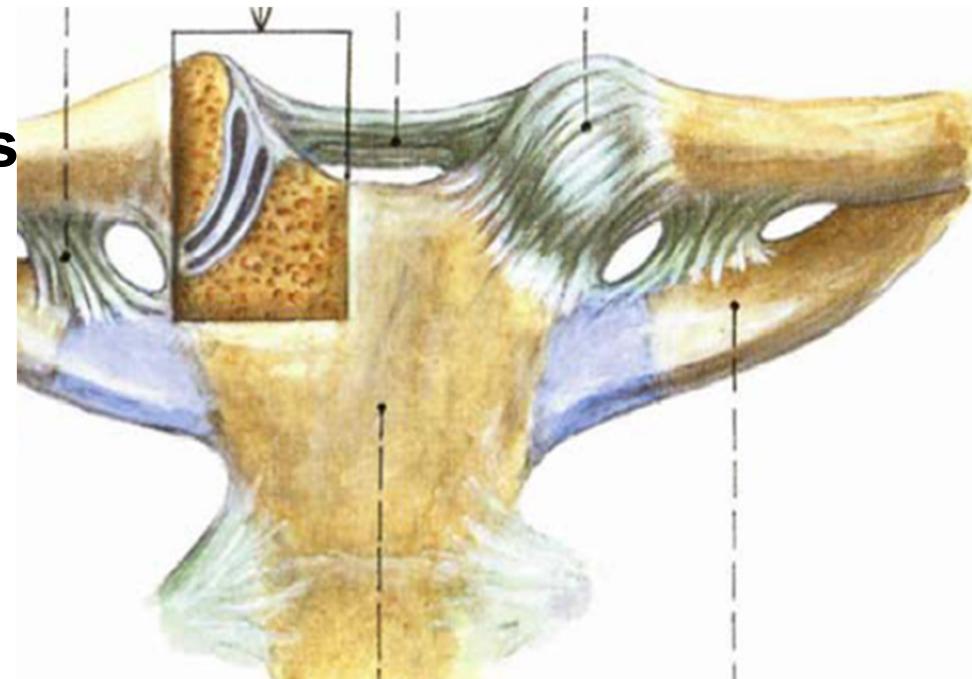
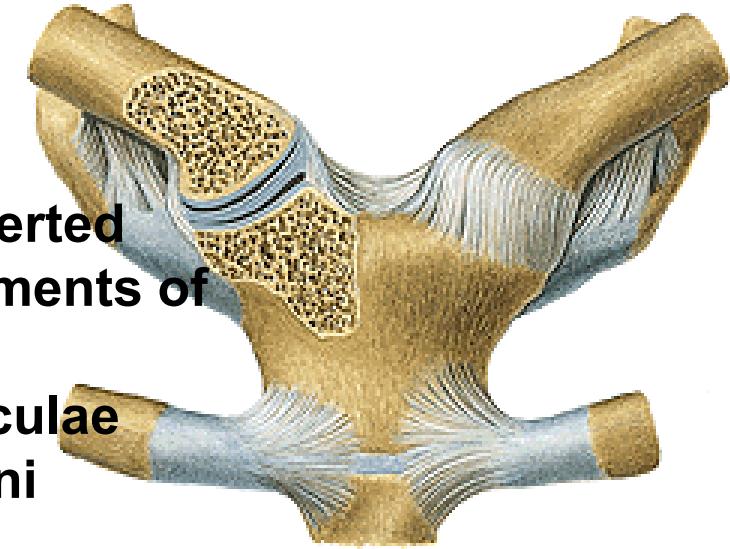
Ligaments:

lig. sternoclaviculare anterius

lig. sternoclaviculare posterius

lig. interclaviculare

lig. costoclaviculare



Movements: in all directions but in a small range

## II. Articulatio acromioclavicularis

Type: spherical joint, sometimes discus articularis is inserted

articular surfaces: facies art. acromialis (clavica) + facies art. acromii

articular capsule: tough, short

Ligaments:

**lig. acromioclaviculare**

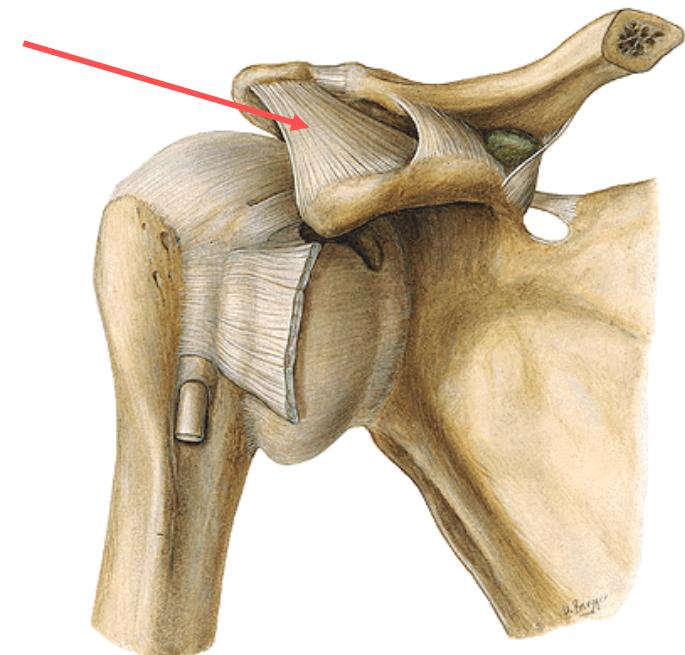
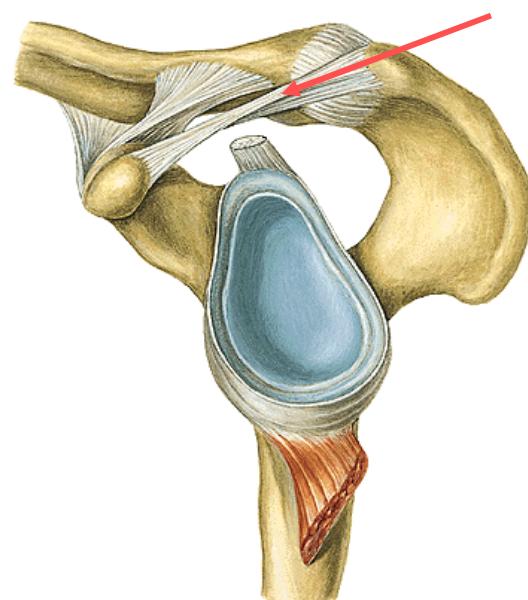
**lig. coracoclaviculare**

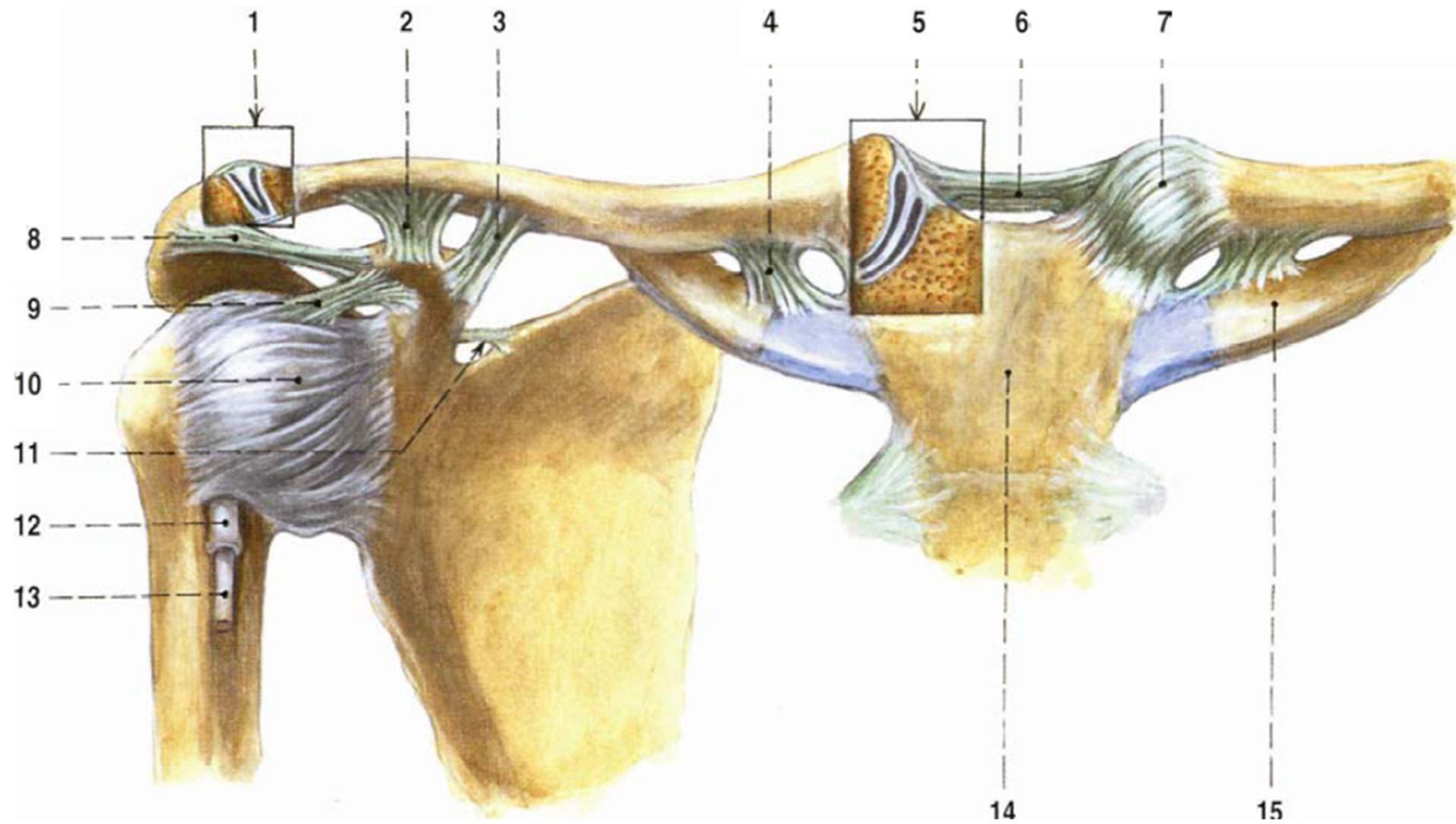
**lig. trapezoideum**

**lig. conoideum**

**lig. coracoacromiale - fornix humeri**

Movements: restricted



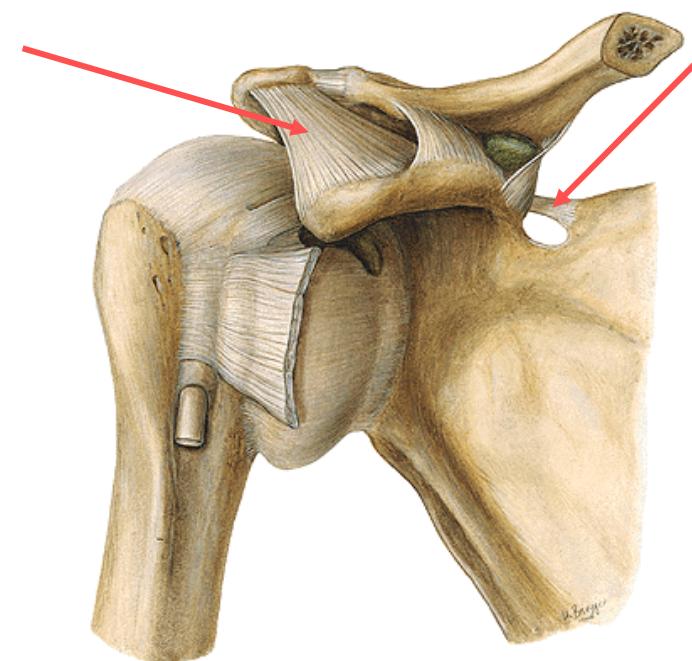


## **Syndesmoses:**

**lig. transversum scapulae**

## **Movements of scapula:**

- Retraction**
- Protraction**
- Elevation**
- Depression**
- Rotation**





## Joints of bones of free upper extremity

### Articulario humeri (shoulder joint)

Type: **spherical, free**

*articular head: caput humeri*

*articular pit: cavitas glenoidalis , enlarged by labrum  
glenoidale*

*articular capsule: collum anatomicum humeri*

**On the ventral side of the capsule, there appears the tendon of long head of biceps.**

*Ligaments:*

**lig. coracohumerale**

**ligg. glenohumeralia**

**lig. coracoacromiale**

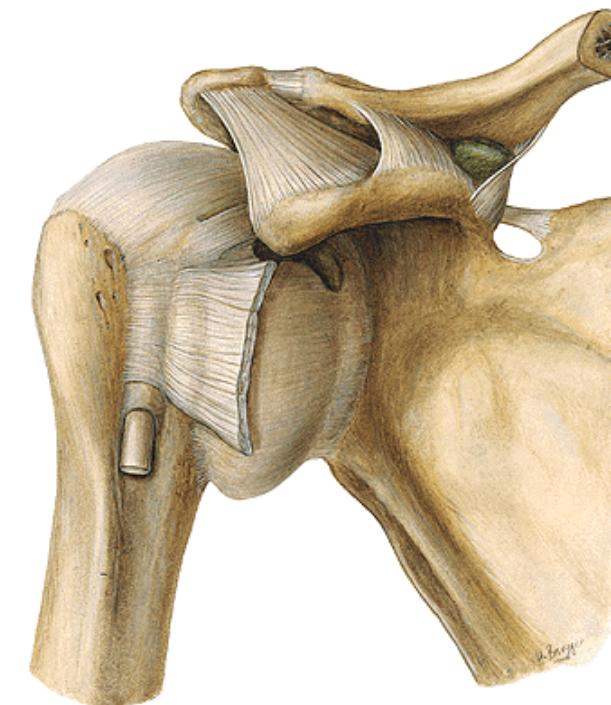
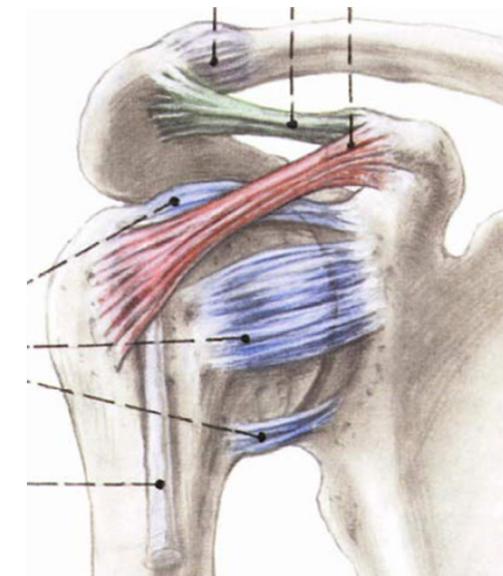
**Bursa subacromialis, subcoracoidea, subdeltoidaea**

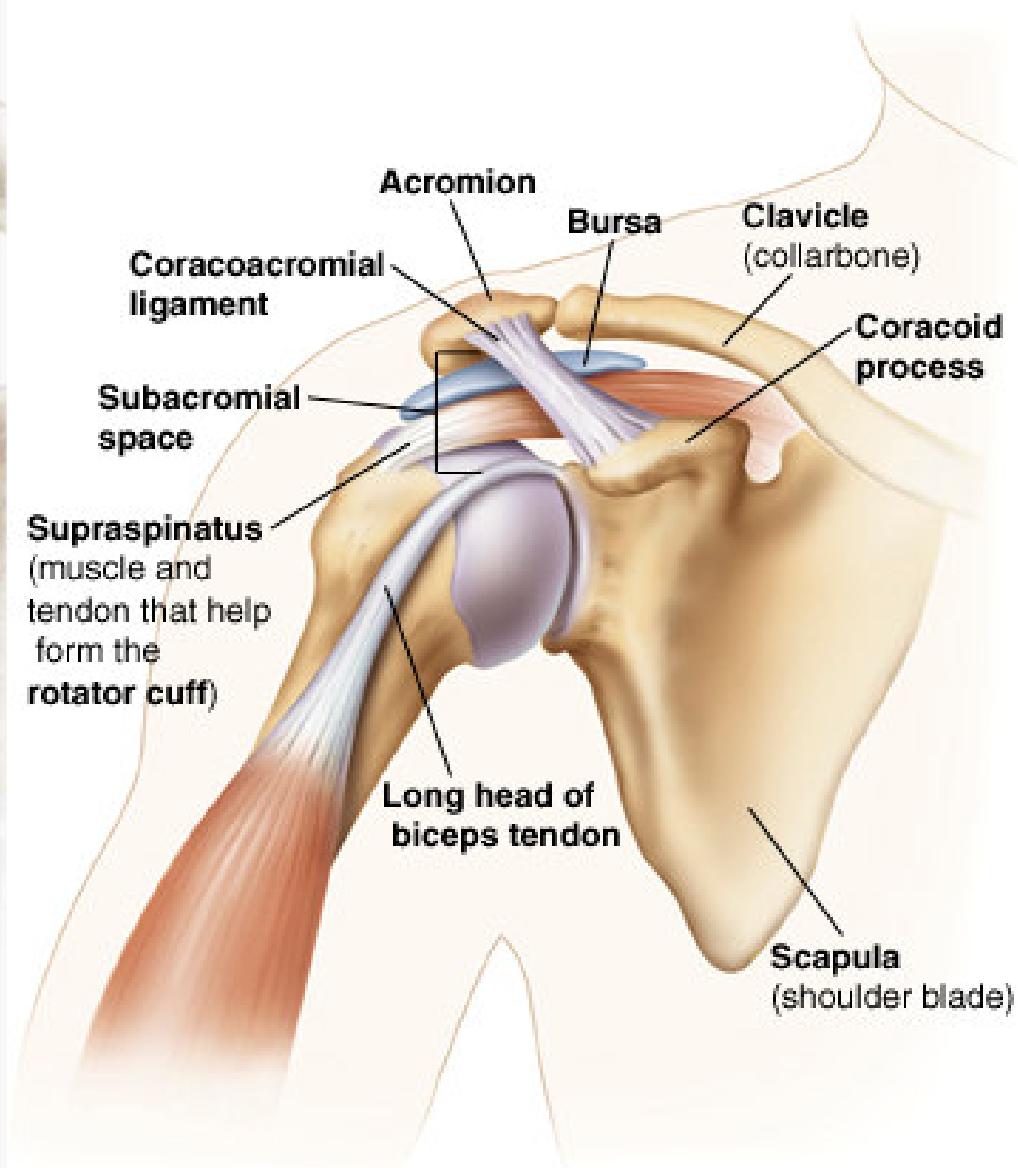
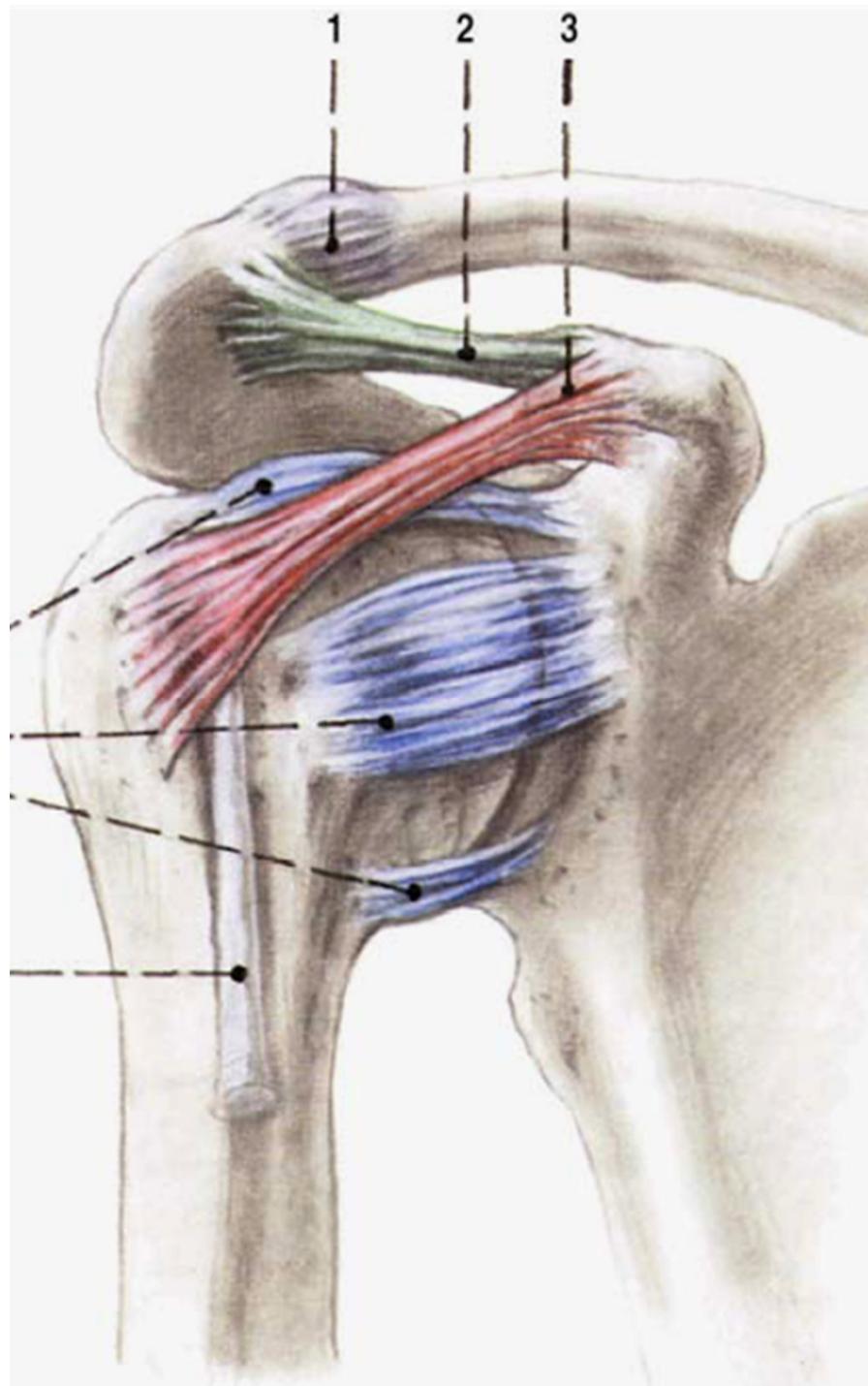
*movements: flexion and extension*

**abduction (from horizontal line only together with movement of scapula)**

**adduction**

**rotation- supination, pronation**





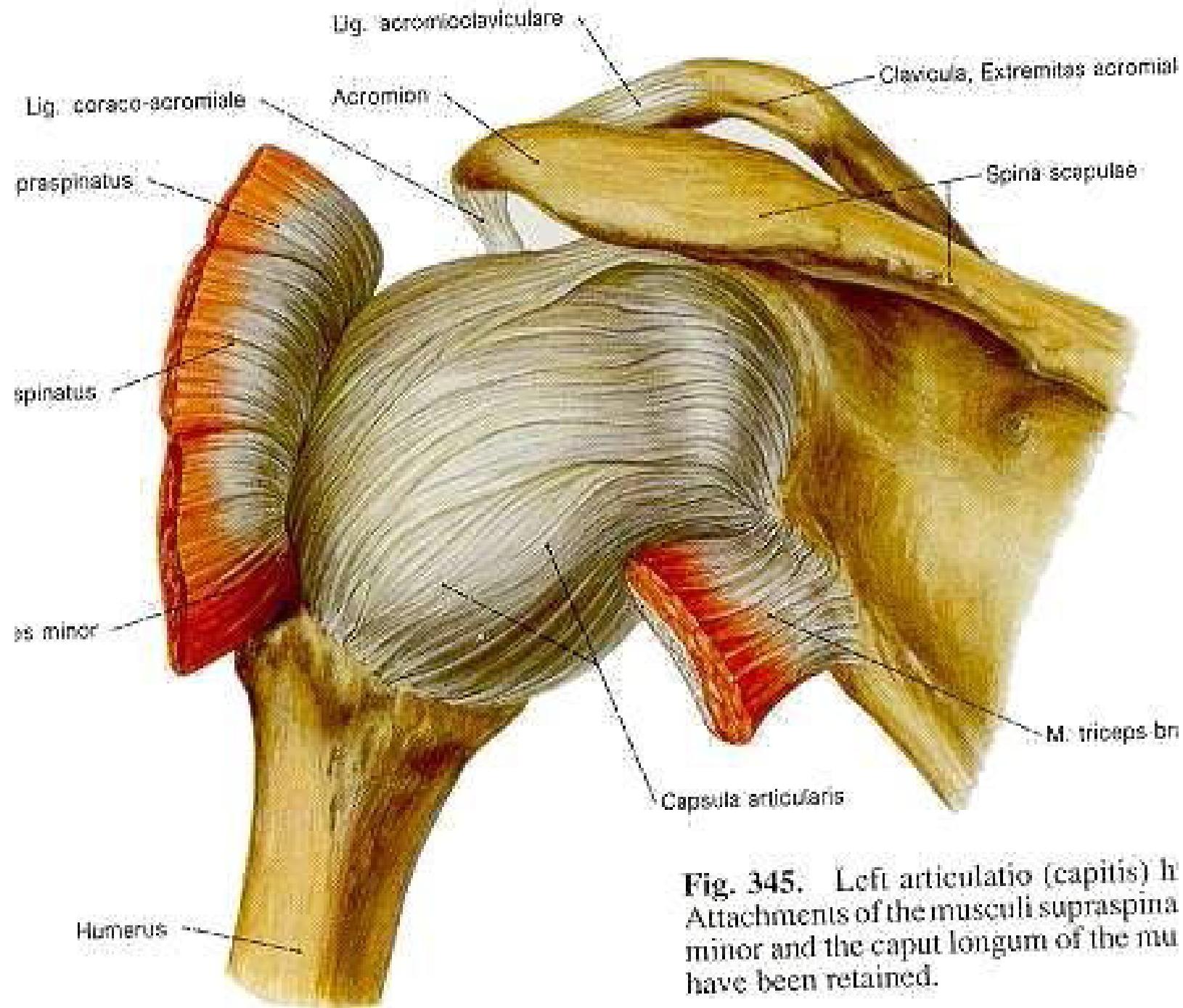
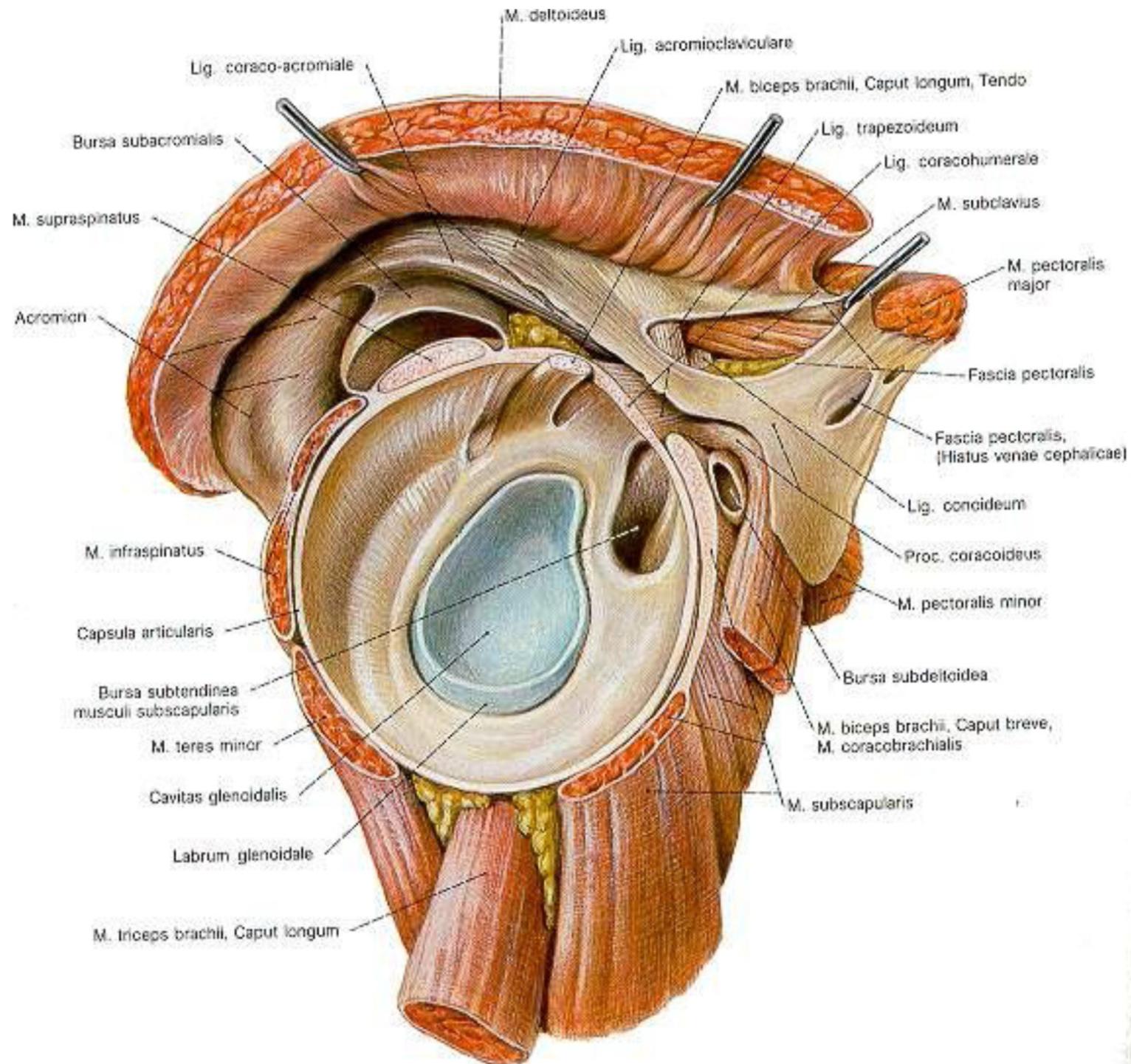
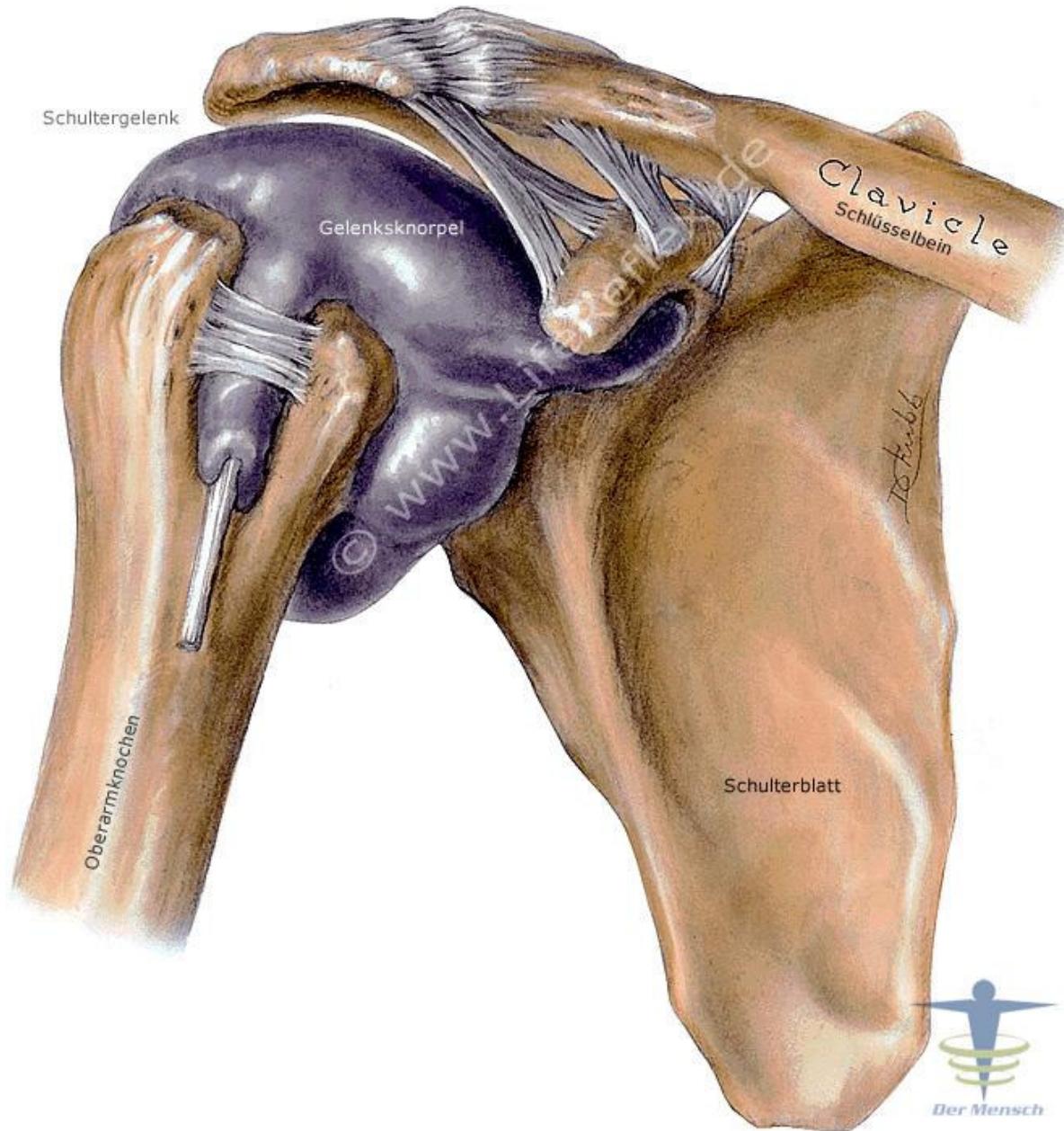


Fig. 345. Left articulatio (capitis) h.  
Attachments of the musculi supraspina  
minor and the caput longum of the mu  
have been retained.







## Articulatio cubiti (elbow joint)

Type: composed joint

### Articulatio humeroulnaris

Type: trochlear joint

articular head: trochlea humeri

Articular pit: incisura trochlearis ulnae

### Articulatio humeroradialis

Type: spherical joint

articular head : capitulum humeri

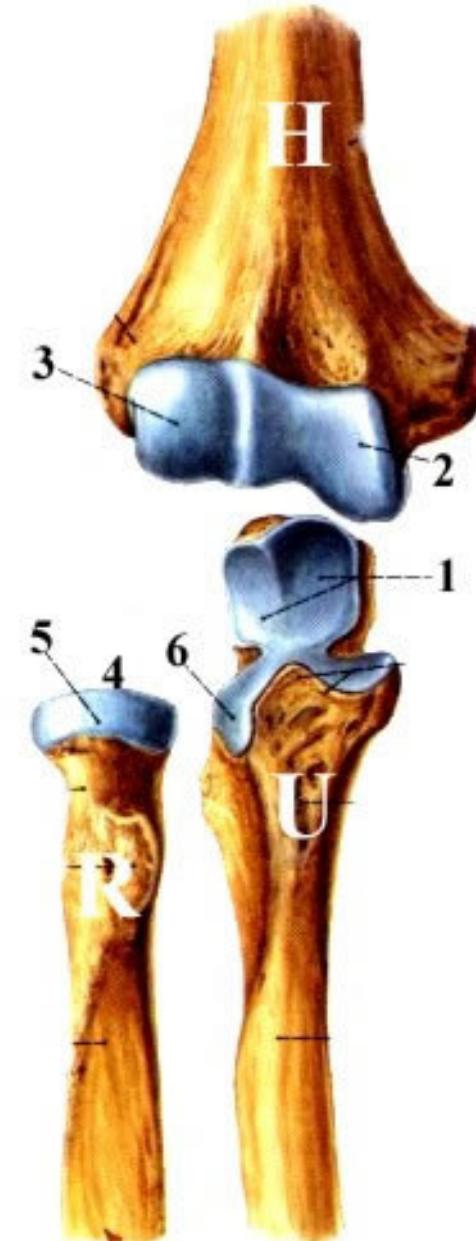
Articular pit : fovea articularis radii

### Articulatio radioulnaris proximalis

Type: wheel joint

articular head : circumferentia articularis radii

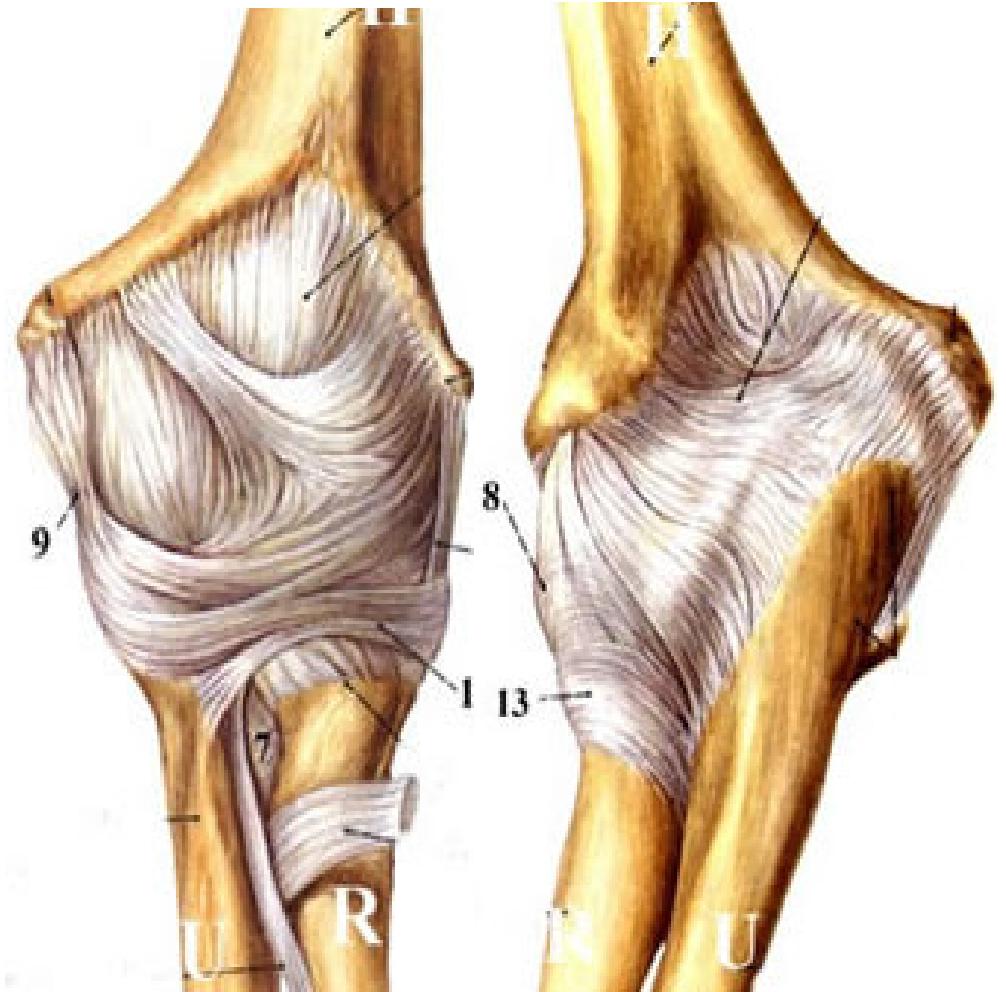
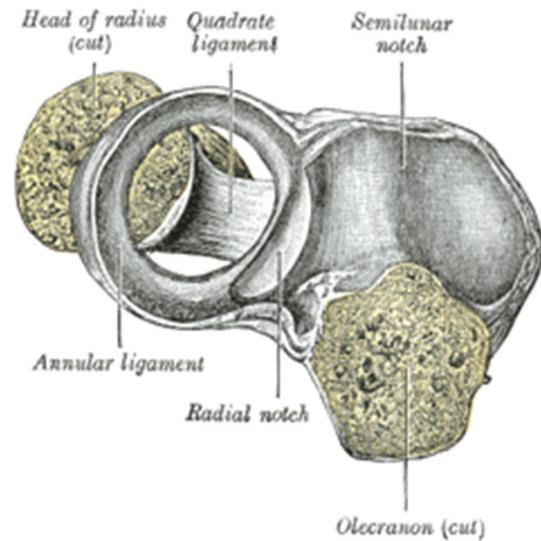
Articular pit : incisura radialis ulnae



**Articular capsule:** it covers all three articulations  
**It is attached to the margins of articular surfaces, on radius reaches to collum- recessus sacciformis**

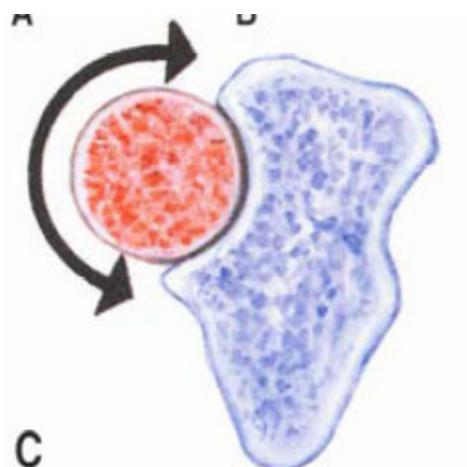
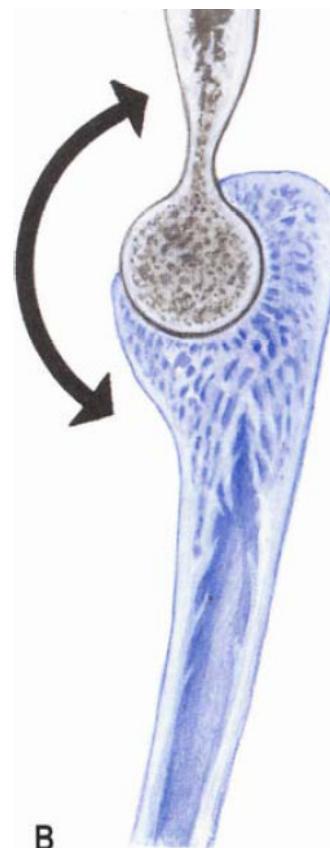
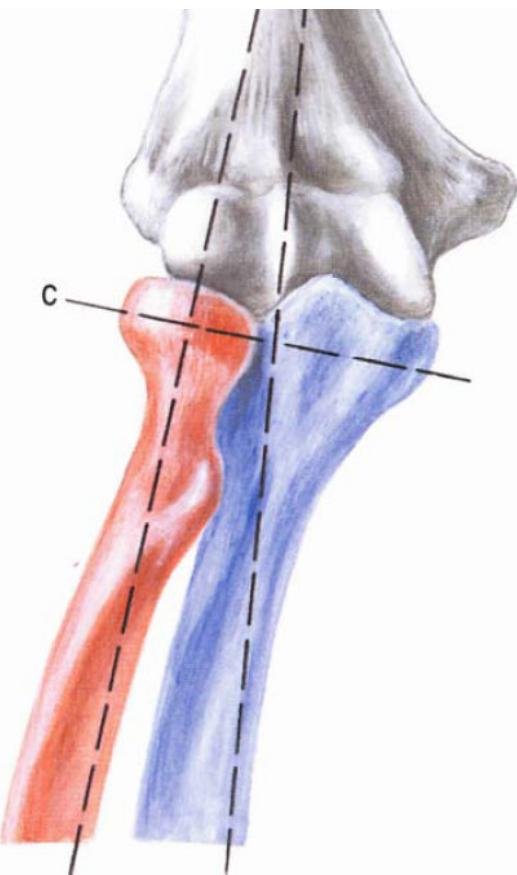
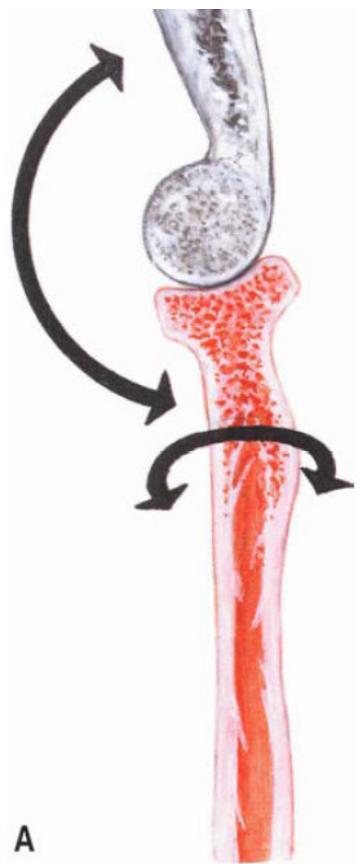
*Ligaments:*

**lig. collaterale radiale**  
**lig. collaterale ulnare**  
    **lig. obliquum**  
**lig. anulare radii**



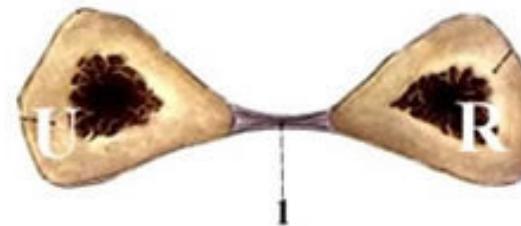
*Movements:* flexion, extension

**Art. radioulnaris proximalis** together with **art. radioulnaris distalis** - pronation, supination





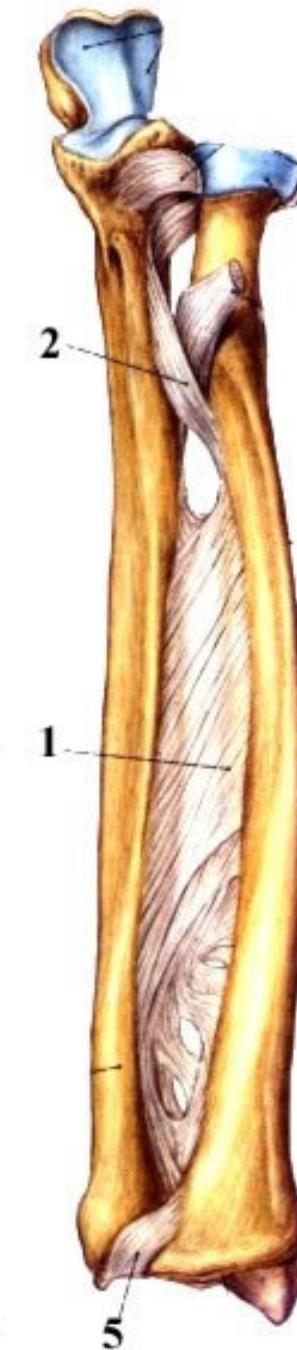
## Syndesmosis radioulnaris



## membrana interossea antebrachii

Fibrous membrane which is stretched between  
margo interosseus radii  
and margo interosseus ulnae

chorda obliqua



## Articulatio radioulnaris distalis

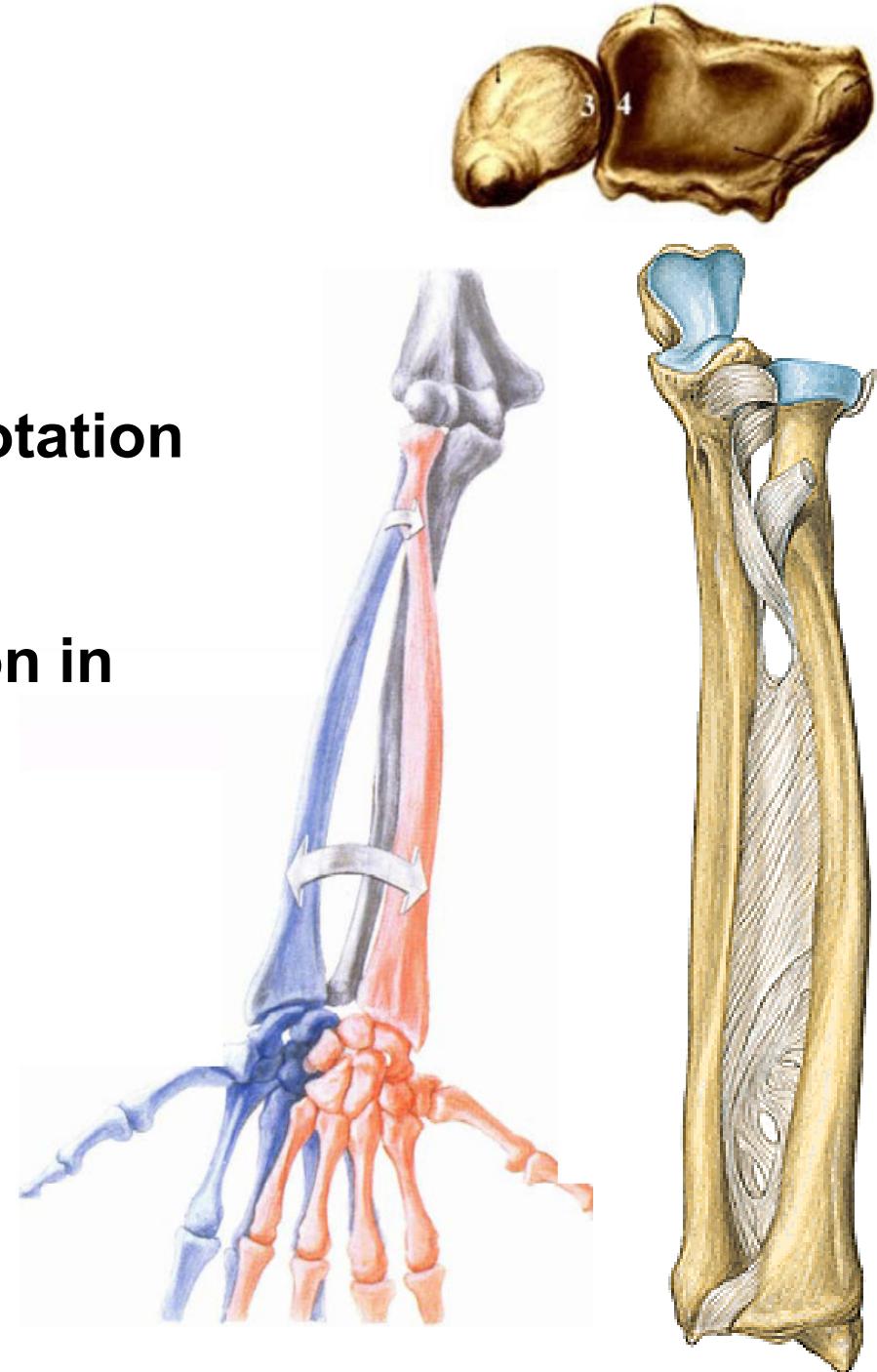
Type: wheel joint

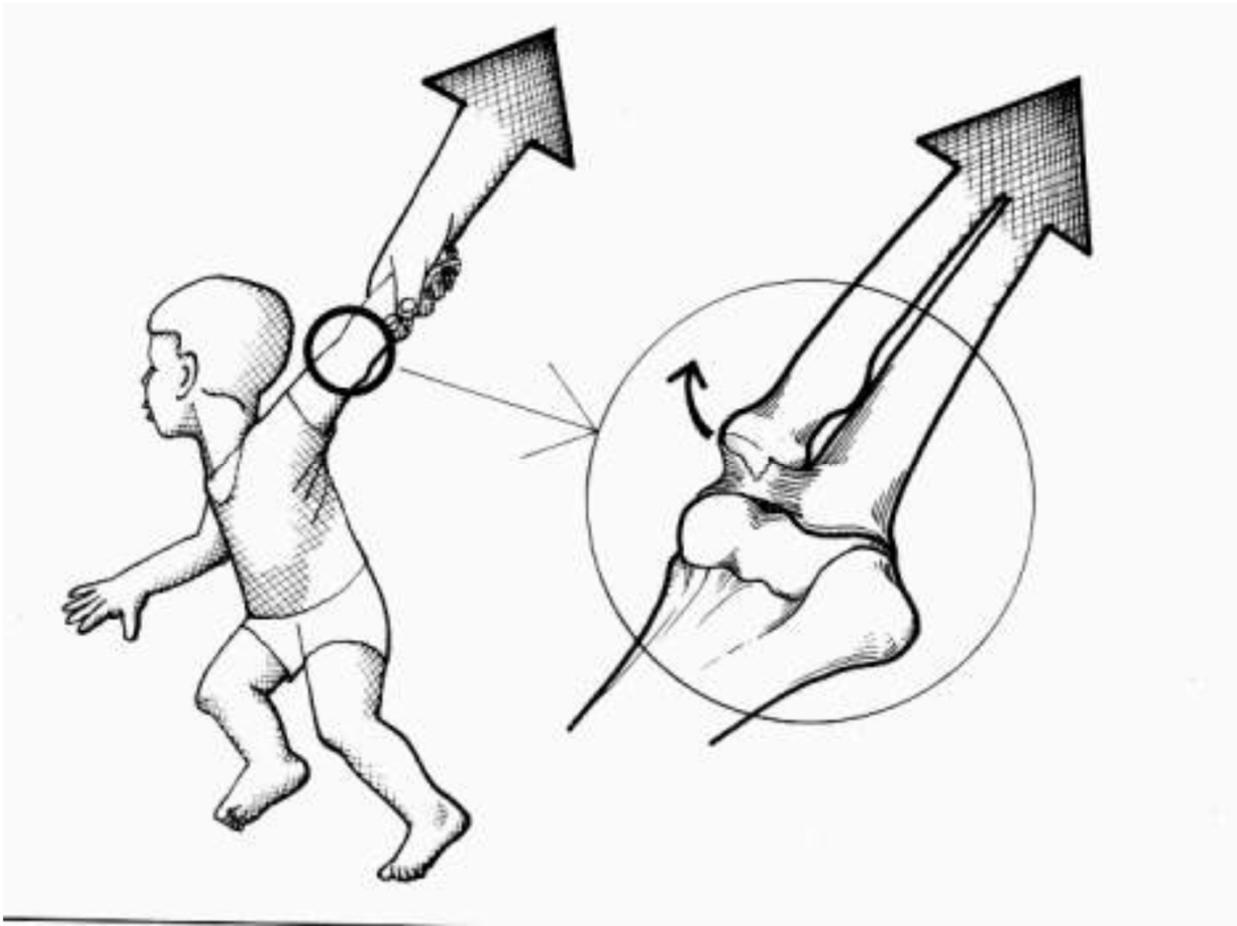
Articular head: caput ulnae

Articular pit: incisura ulnaris radii

Articular capsule: free, it allows rotation  
of radius around caput ulnae

movements: together with rotation in  
art. radioulnaris proximalis  
supination and pronation





**pronatio dolorosa** – common injury in childhood–  
Radial head subluxation, the head falls out from lig.  
anulare radii through a strong thrust in pronation

# Joints of the hand Articulationes manus

## ARTICULATIO RADIOCARPALIS

Between radius and carpal bones

## ARTICULATIO MEDIOCARPALIS

between proximal and distal row of carpal bones

## ARTICULATIONES INTERCARPALES

between single carpal bones

## ARTICULATIONES CARPOMETACARPALES

between distal row of carpal bones and metacarpal bones

## ARTICULATIONES INTERMETACARPALES

between bases of neighbouring metacarpal bones

## ARTICULATIONES METACARPOPHALANGEALES

heads of metacarpal bones with proximal phalanges

## ARTICULATIONES INTERPHALANGEALES

Between phalanges

retinaculum musculorum flexorum

(lig. carpi transversum)

between eminentia carpi radialis et ulnaris -> canalis carpi



## **Articulatio radiocarpalis**

Type: **composed, ellipsoidal**

*articular head: os scaphoideum, os lunatum, os triquetrum*

**articular pit: facies articularis carpalis radii, discus articularis**

*articular capsule: tough and short*

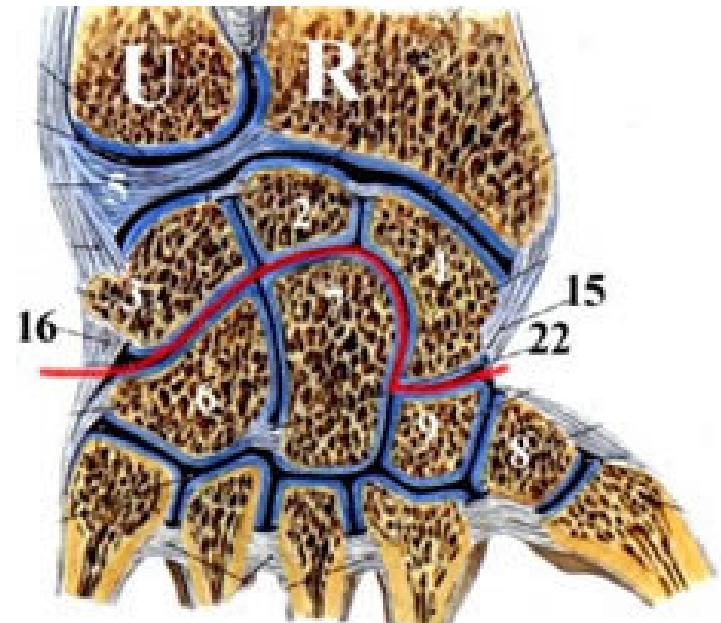
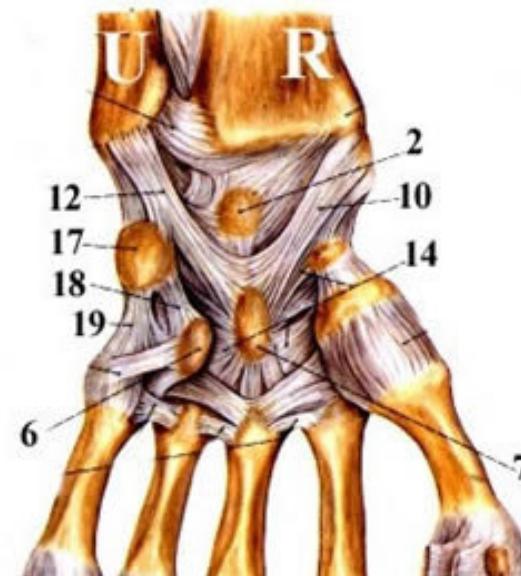
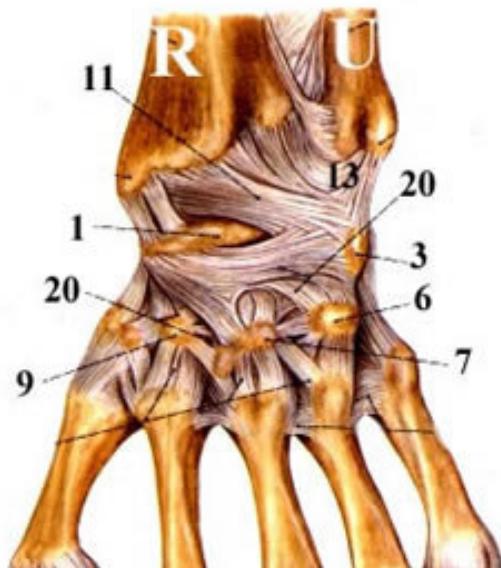
**Ligaments:** are common with articulatio mediocarpalis

**movements: functional unit with mediocarpal, intercarpal and carpometacarpal joints**

## **palmar and dorsal flexion**

## **radial and ulnar duction**

# circumduction

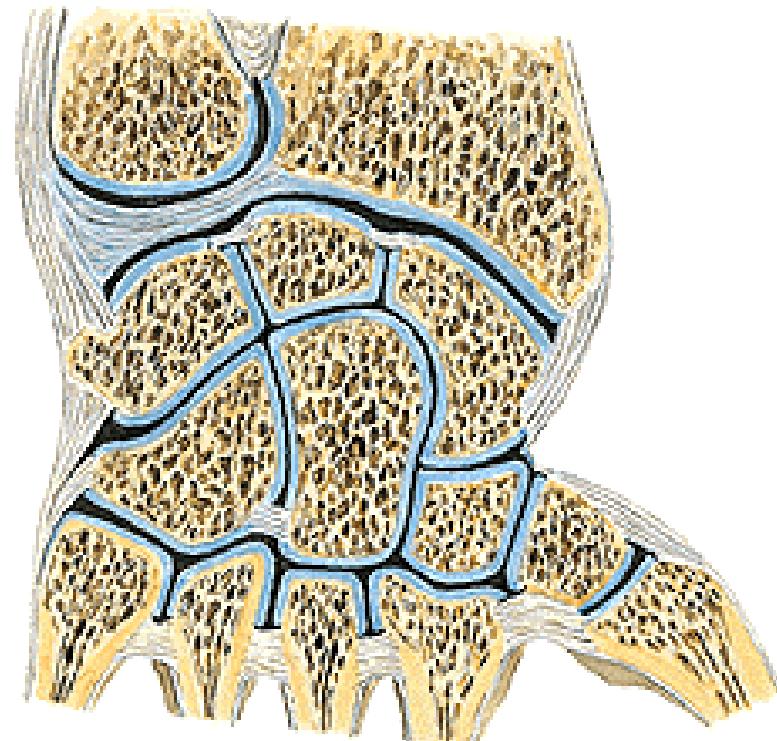
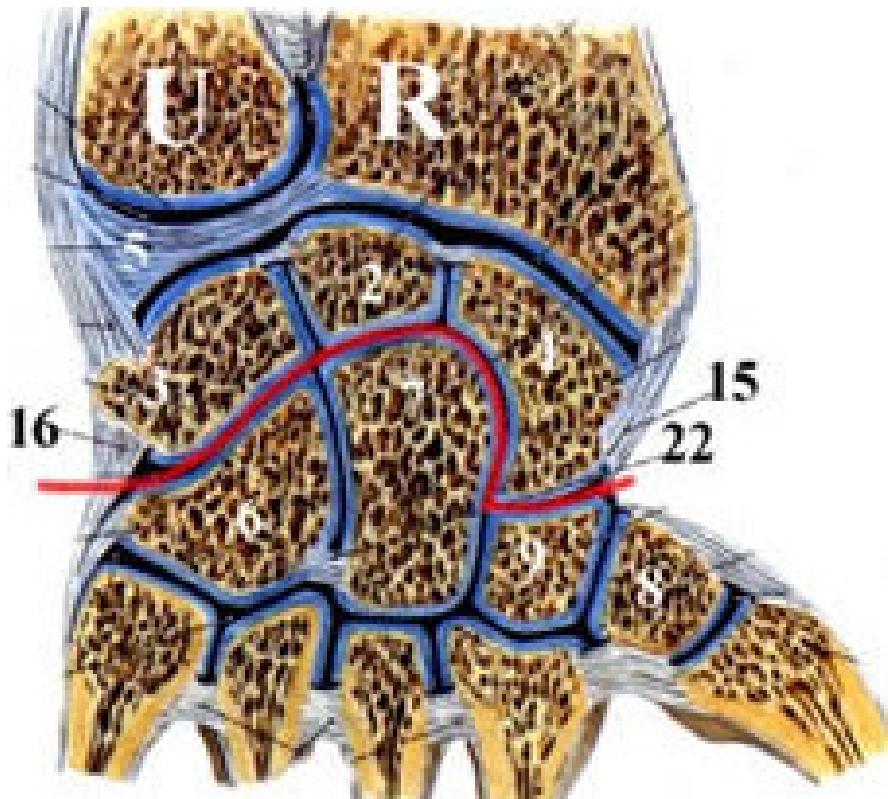


## Articulatio mediocarpalis

Type: **elipsoidal, composed,**  
articular head on ulnar side: **os hamatum, os capitatum**  
articular head on radial side : **os scaphoideum**

articular pit on ulnar side : **os scaphoideum, os lunatum,  
os triquetrum**

articular pit on radial side : **os trapezium, os trapezoideum**  
articular capsule : **tough and short**



*Ligaments:*

**lig. intercarpea dors., ventr., interossea**

**lig. radiocarpale palmare et dorsale**

**lig. ulnocarpale palmare et dorsale**

**lig. carpi radiatum**

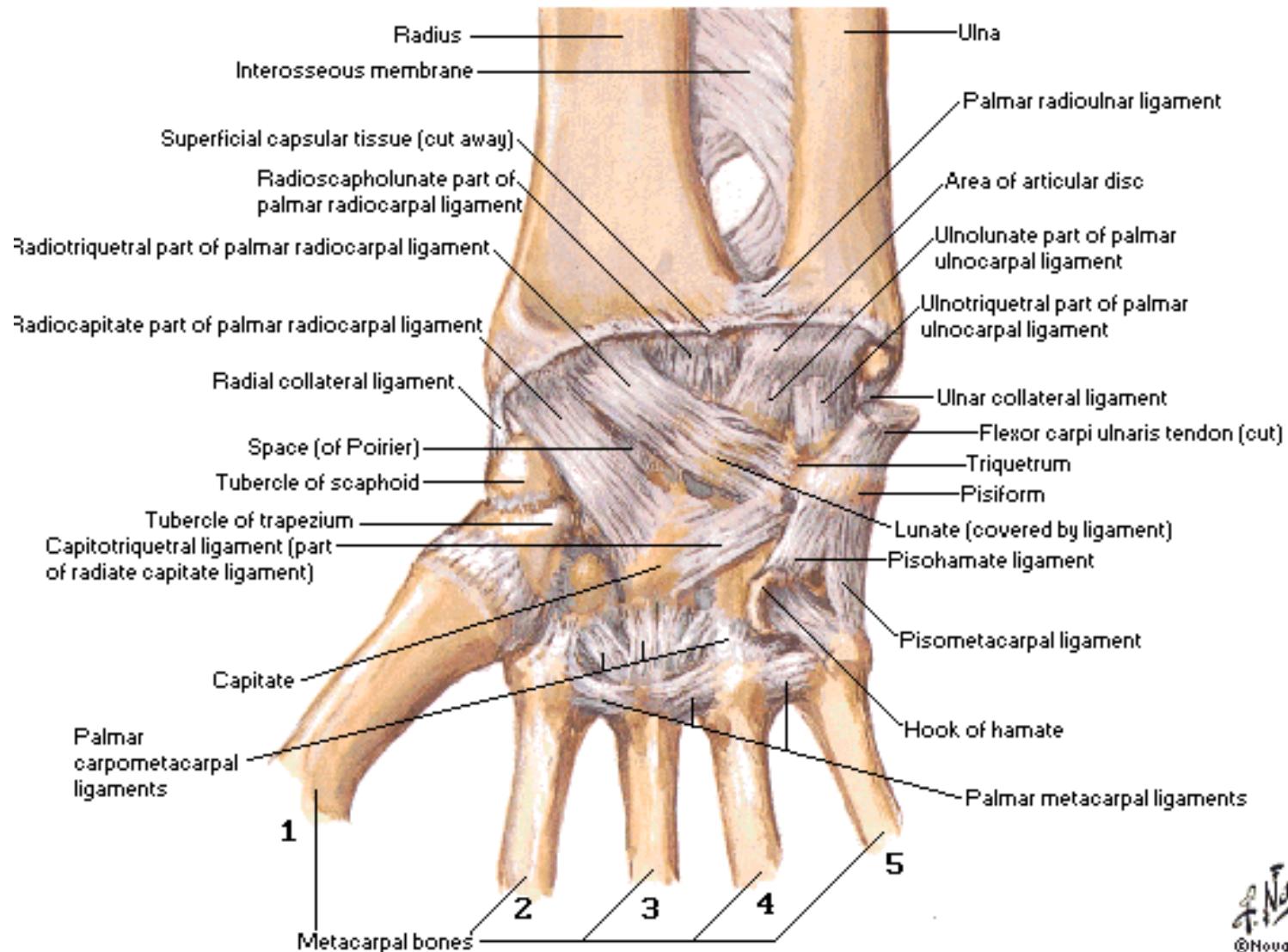
**lig. collaterale carpi radiale et ulnare**

*movements: functional unit with mediocarpal, intercarpal  
and carpometacarpal joints*

**palmar and dorsal flexion,  
radial and ulnar duction, circumduction**

**Articulatio ossis pisiformis:** tough joint between os pisiforme and os triquetrum - amfiarthrosis

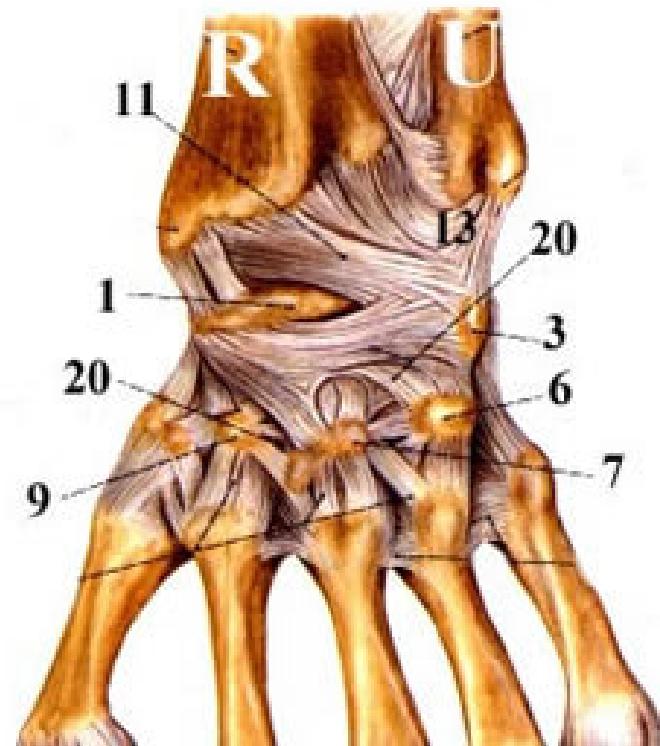
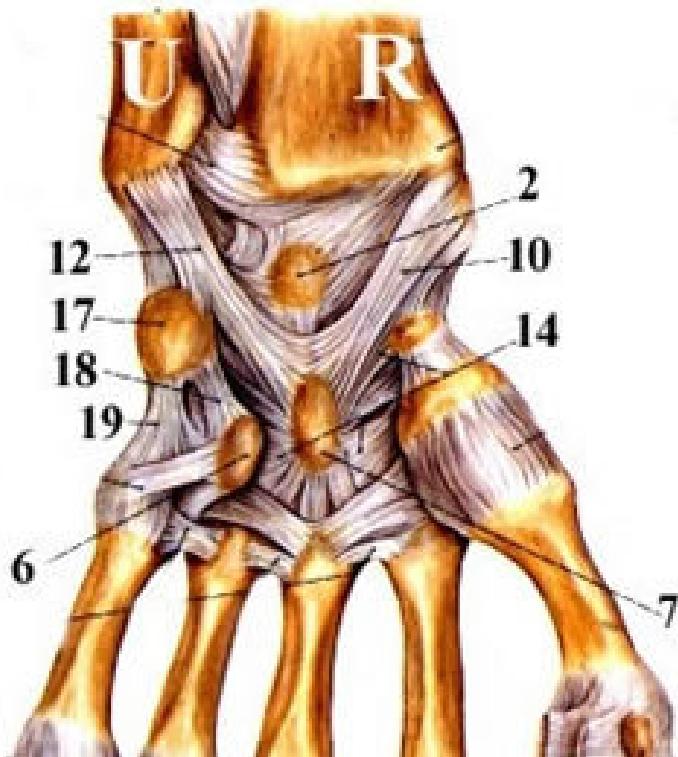
**lig. pisohamatum**  
**lig. pisometacarpeum**  
 (both are continuation of tendon of m. flexor carpi ulnaris)

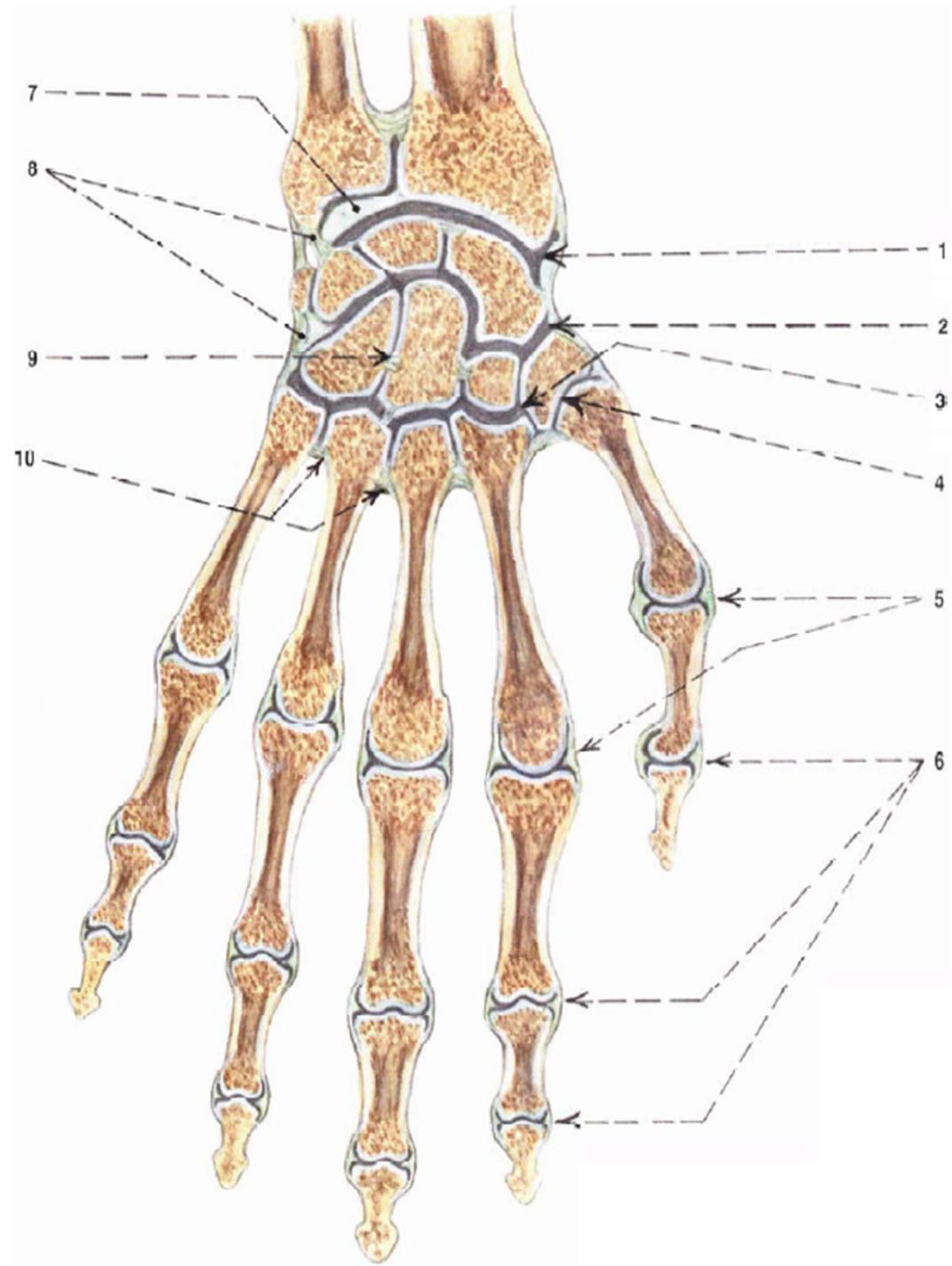


## Articulationes intercarpales

- Connections between the single carpal bones

**ligg. intercapalia dorsalia**  
**ligg. intercarpalia palmaria**  
**ligg. intercarpalis interossea**





## Articulationes carpometacarpales II.-V.

Type: composed joint, amphiarthrosis

articular surfaces: basis of 2nd metacarpal bone - os trapezium, os trapezoideum a os capitatum

basis of 3rd metacarpal bone - os capitatum

bases of 4th and 5th metacarpal bone - os hamatum

Bases of metacarpal none between themselves

articular capsules: tough, short

Ligaments:

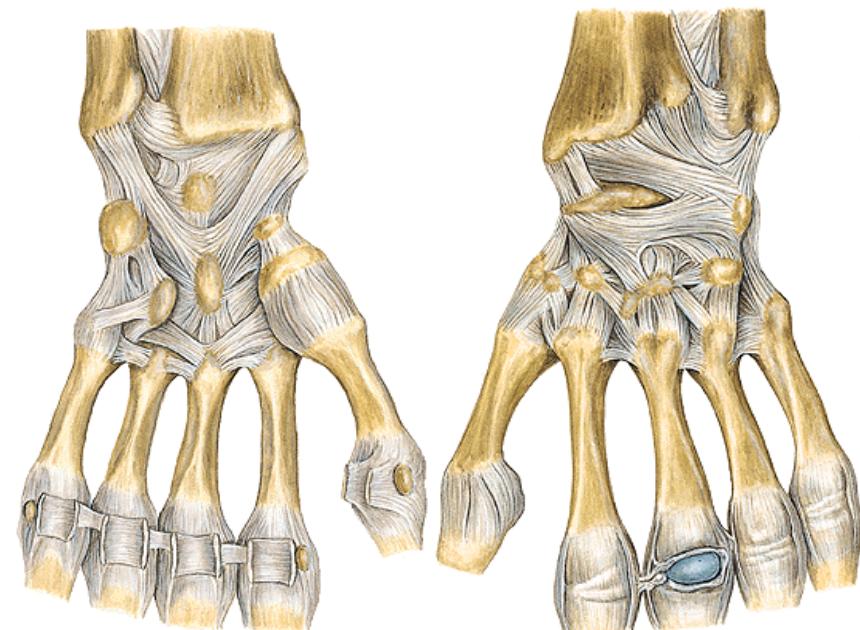
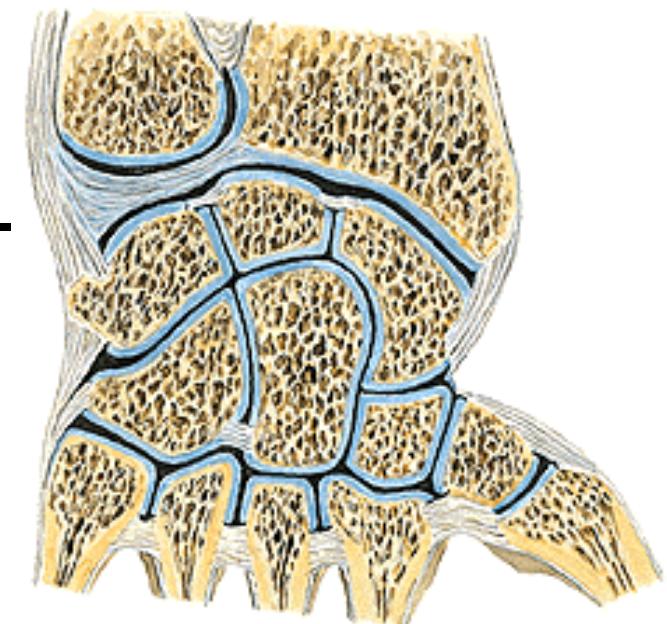
ligg. carpometacarpea dorsalia

ligg. carpometacarpea palmaria

ligg. carpometacarpea interossea

ligg. metacarpea palm., dors., interossea

movements: minimal



## Articulatio carpometacarpalis pollicis

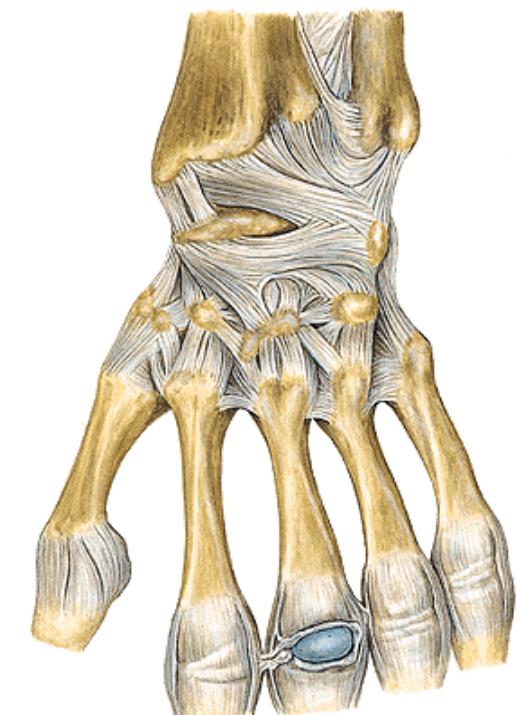
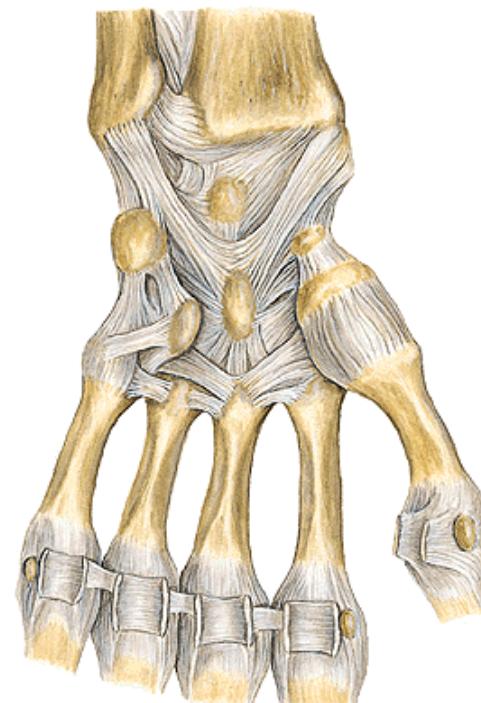
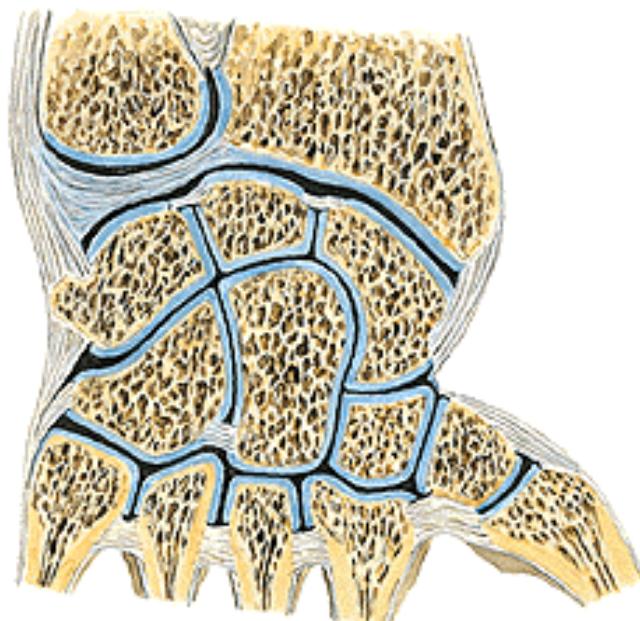
Type: **sellar joint**

articular head: **basis ossis metacarpale I**

articular pit: **os trapezium**

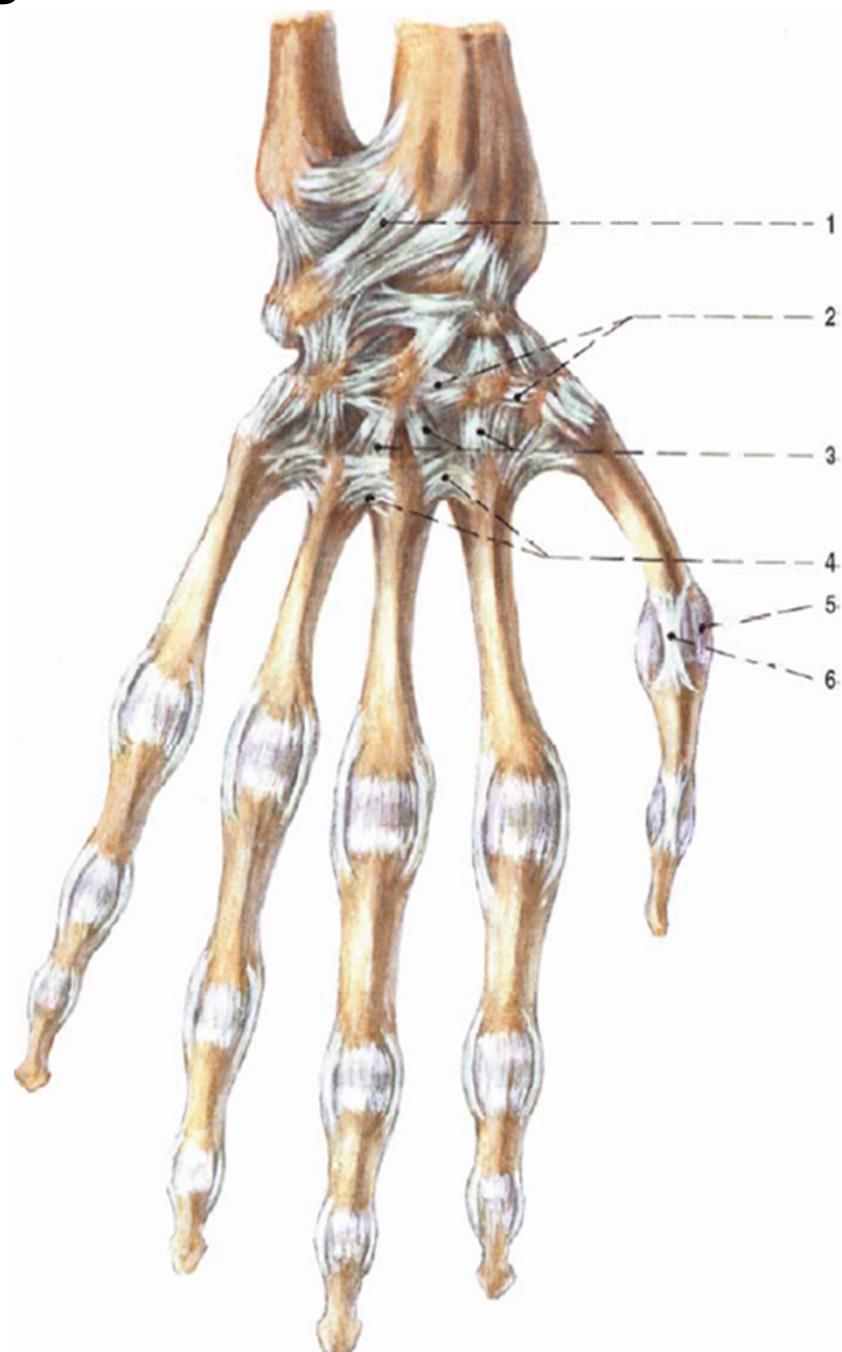
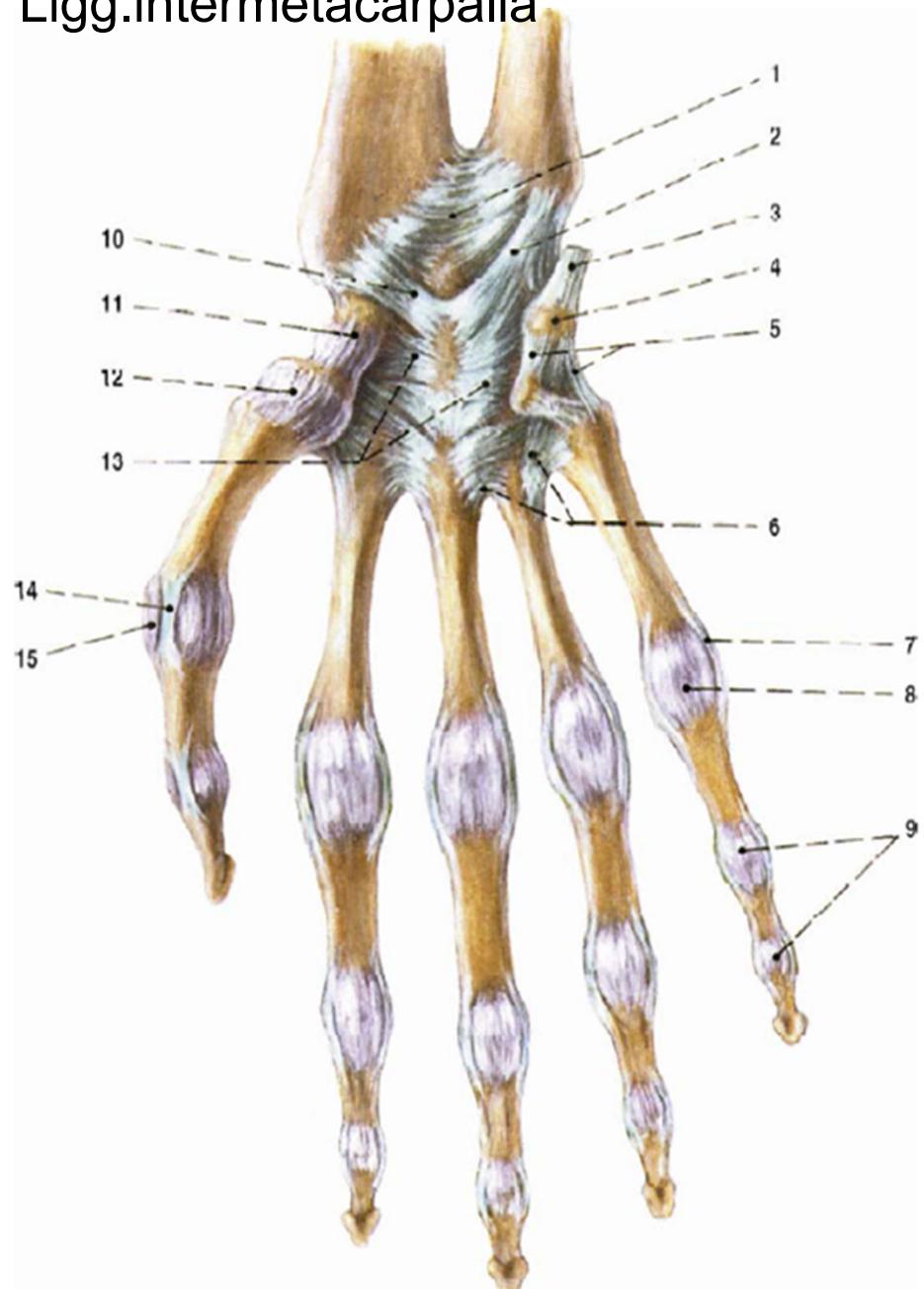
articular capsule: **free**

movements: **abduction, adduction, flexion, extension  
opposition, reposition**



# **Articulationes intermetacarpales**

Ligg.intermetacarpalia



## Art. metacarpophalangeales

Type: intermediate between cylindroidal and spherical joint

articular head: caput ossis metacarpalis

articular pit: basis phalangis

articular capsule: free

Ligaments:

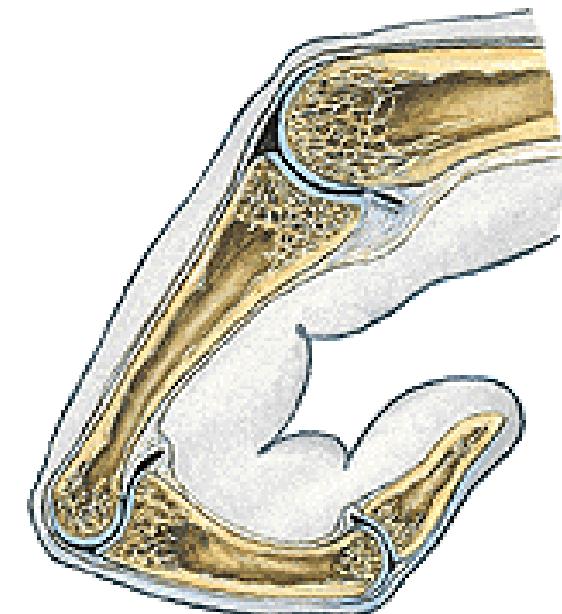
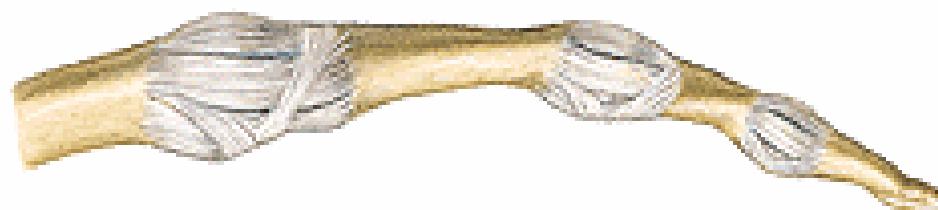
ligg. collateralia

fibrocartilago palmaris

lig. metacarpale transversum profundum

movements: flexion and extension

abduction and adduction- only in straightened finger



## Articulationes interphalangeales

Type: trochlear joint

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articular pit: basis phalangis

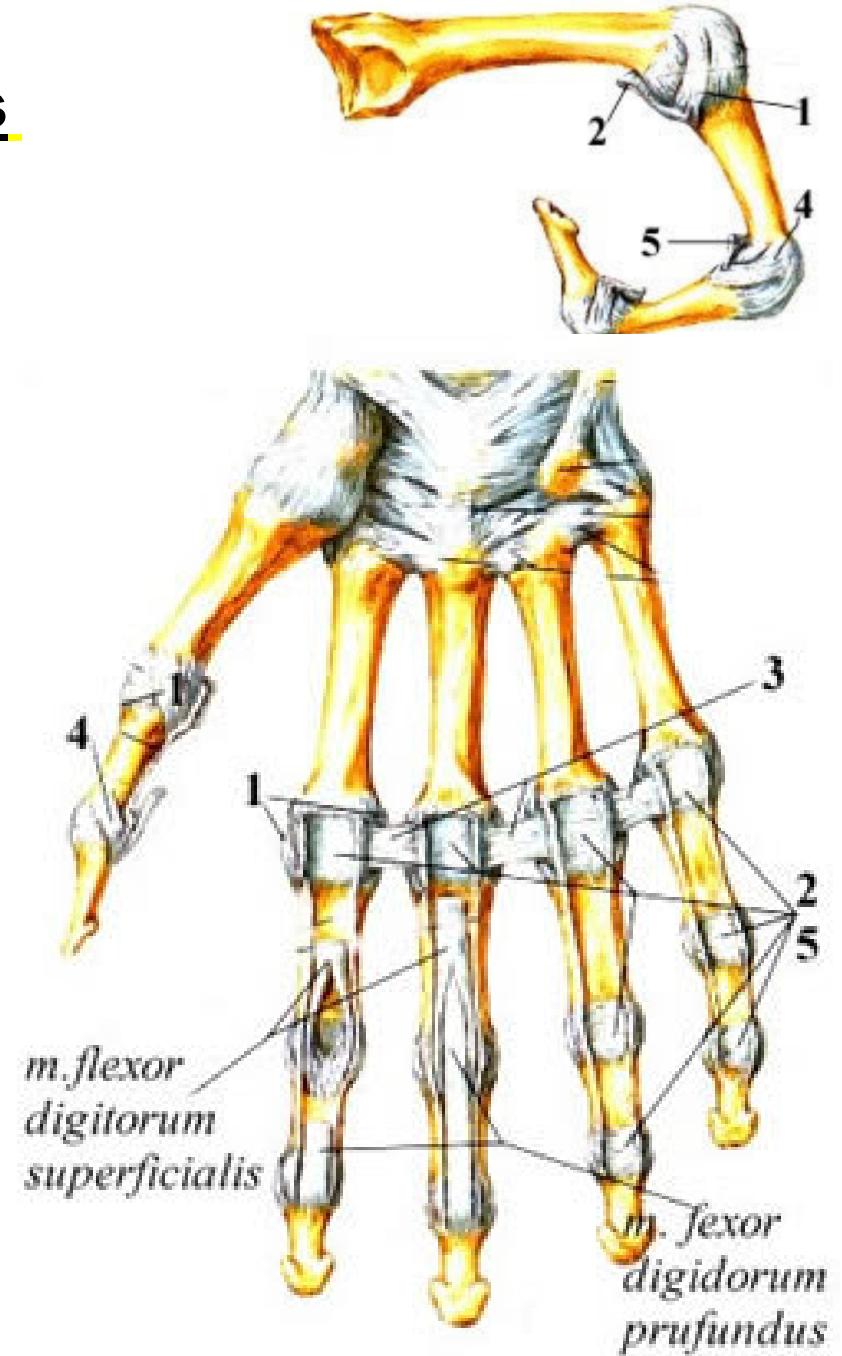
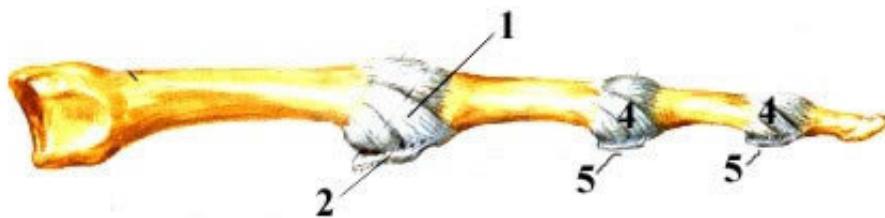
articular capsule: free

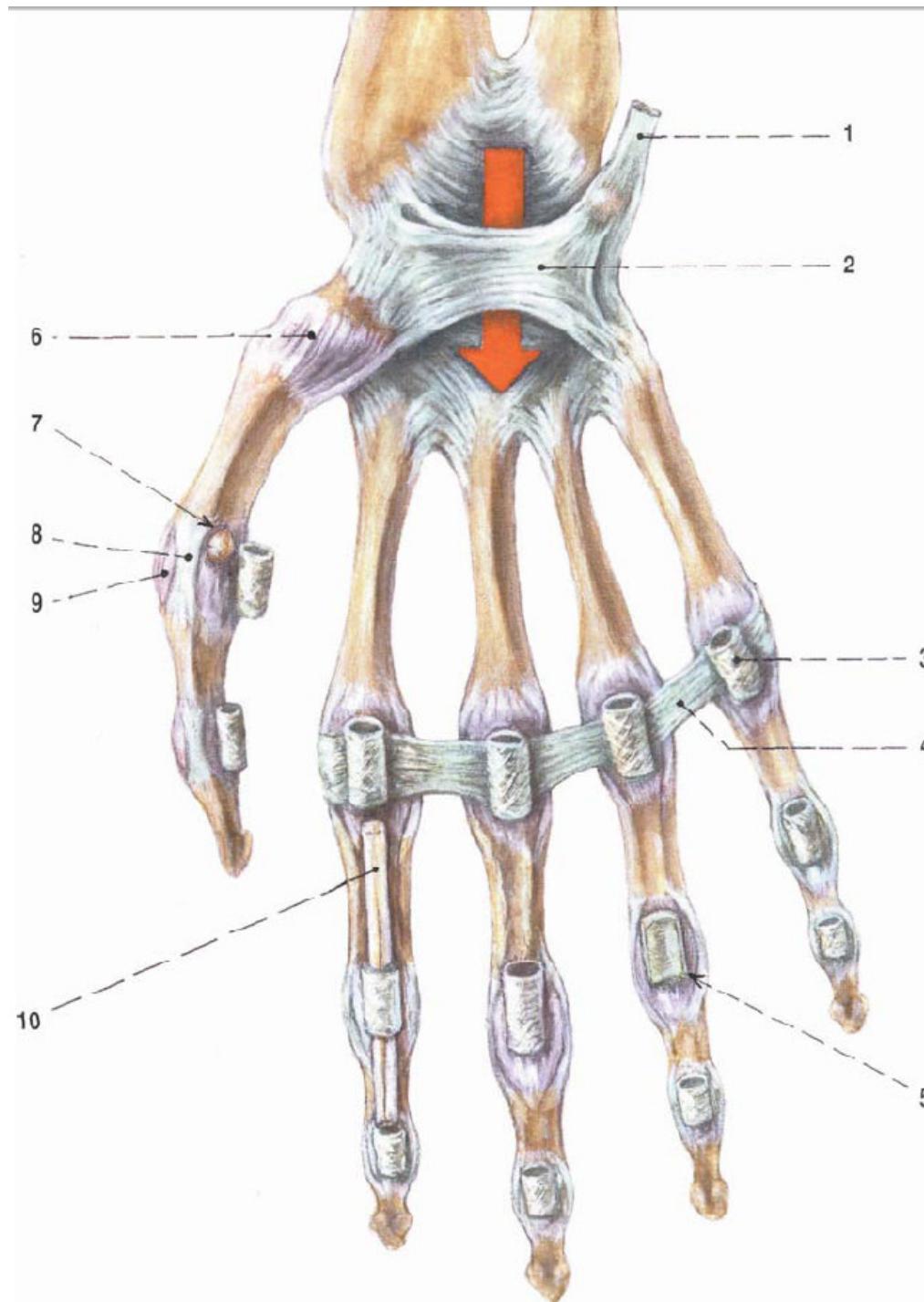
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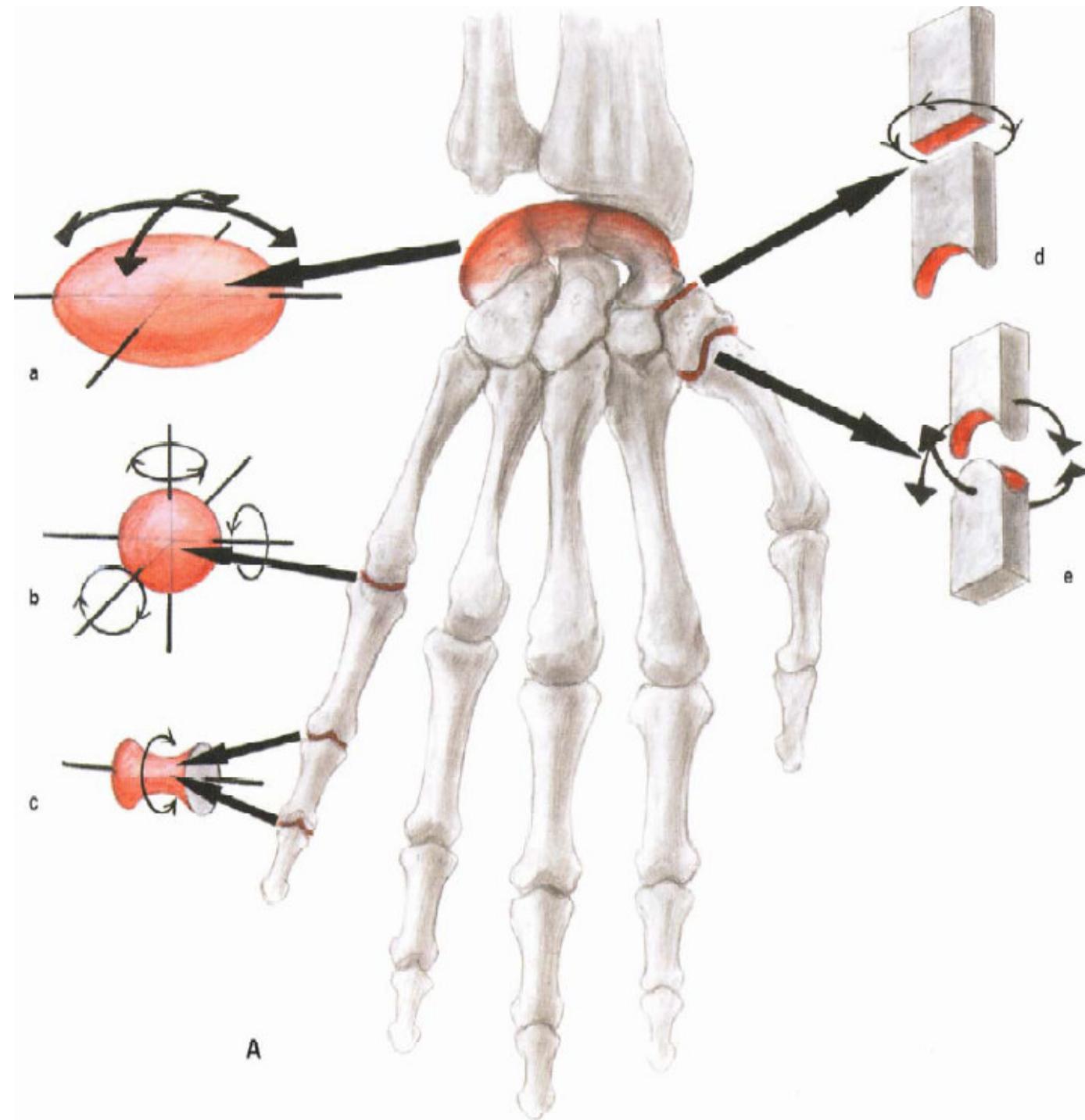
ligg. collateralia

fibrocartilagines palmares

movements: flexion and extension









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