



# Imaging The Musculoskeletal System

## Part - 1

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# OBJECTIVES

The main focus and objective of this lecture is to help students to be competent in looking at MSK diseases and injuries, by learning:

IMPORTANT SITES

Biological anatomic landmarks

of analyzing findings

"Where to look & What to look for"

- Recognize features of certain disease entities

BONE DENSITY  
BONE TEXTURE  
DISTORTION /  
DISPLACEMENT OF  
NORMAL STRUCTURES



# **IMAGING THE MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM**

**PLAIN FILM**

Corner Stone

**COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY**

**MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING**

**ULTRASOUND  
ANGIOGRAPHY**

**RAD MEDICINE**

Bone scan is very sensitive but is relatively non-specific

- Tendons/Ligaments/Muscles.
- Detect fluid collections around joints or within muscles.
- Soft tissue masses and cysts.

Useful in complex  
fractures, spinal  
injuries, bone  
metastases

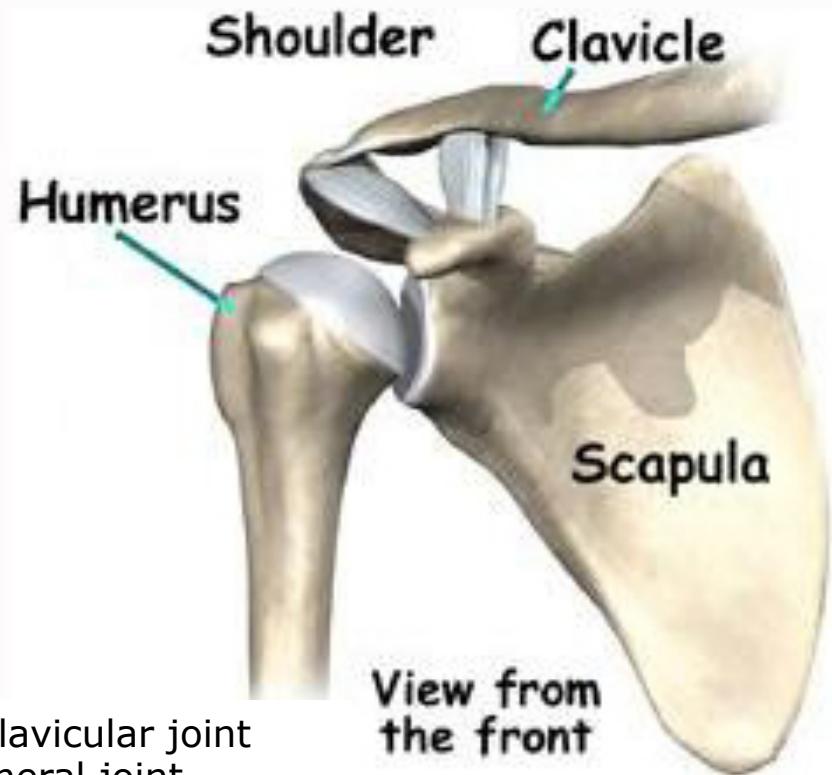
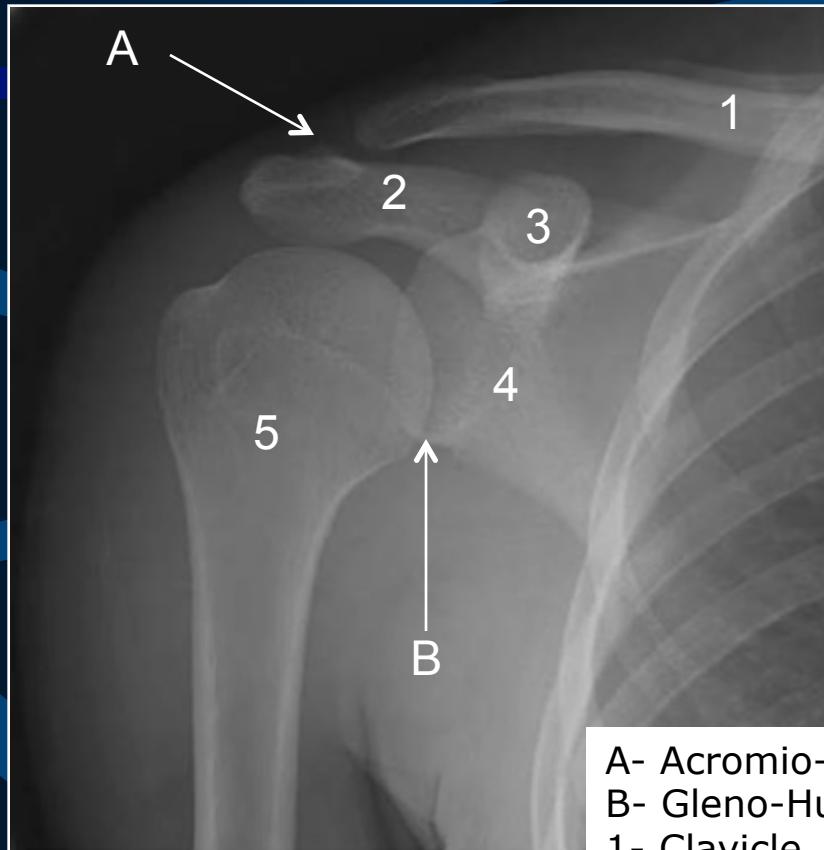
Vascularity  
Mapping  
Embolization



# MUSCULOSKELETAL RADIOLOGICAL ANATOMY

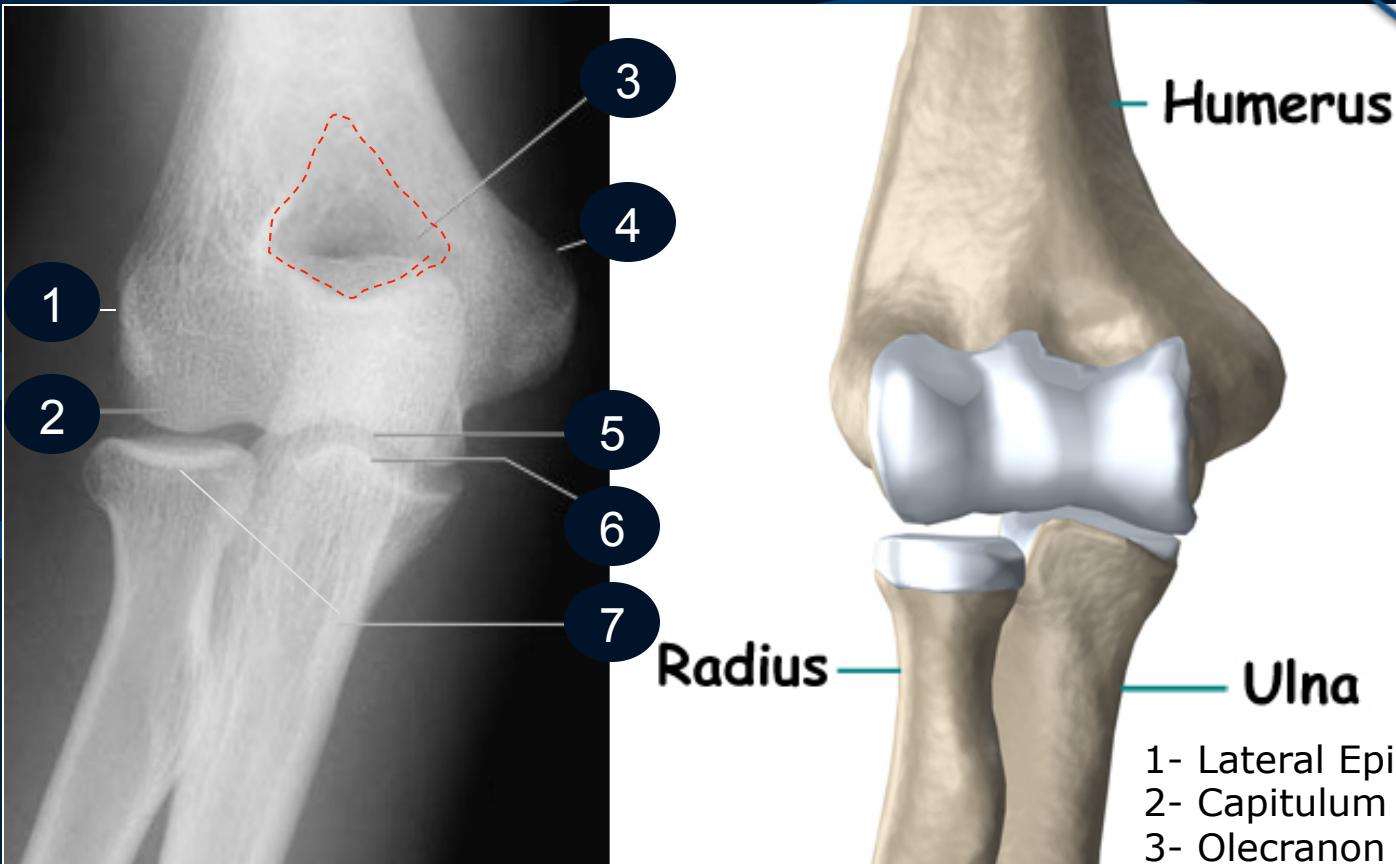


## Musculoskeletal Radiological Anatomy



- A- Acromio-Clavicular joint
- B- Gleno-Humeral joint
- 1- Clavicle
- 2- Acromiom process
- 3- Coracoid process
- 4- Glenoid process
- 5- Humerus

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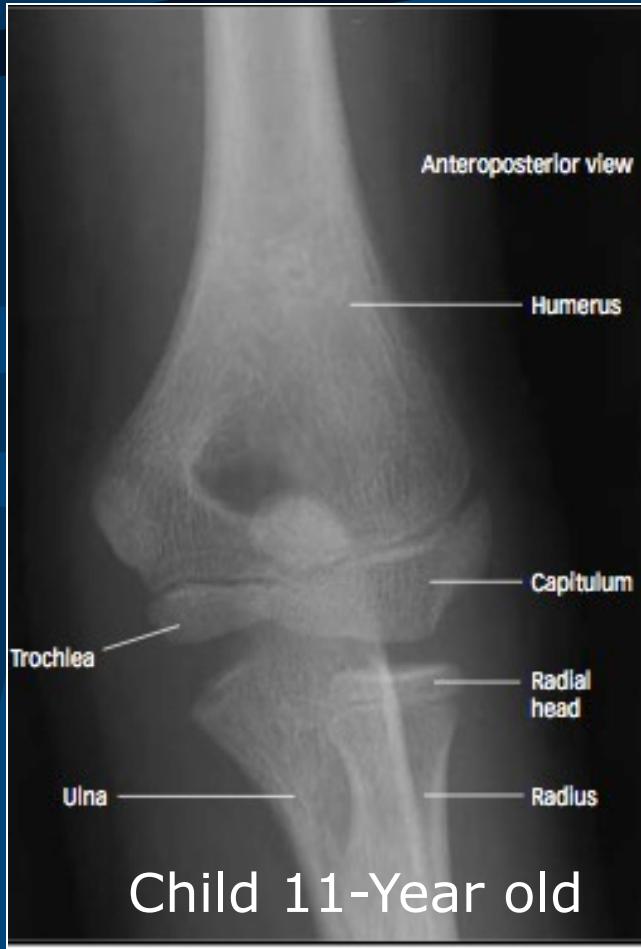


- Humerus
- Ulna
- 1- Lateral Epicondyle
- 2- Capitulum
- 3- Olecranon Fossa
- 4- Medial Epicondyle
- 5- Trochlea
- 6- Coronoid Process
- 7- Radius Head

## Musculoskeletal Radiological Anatomy



Child 5-Year old

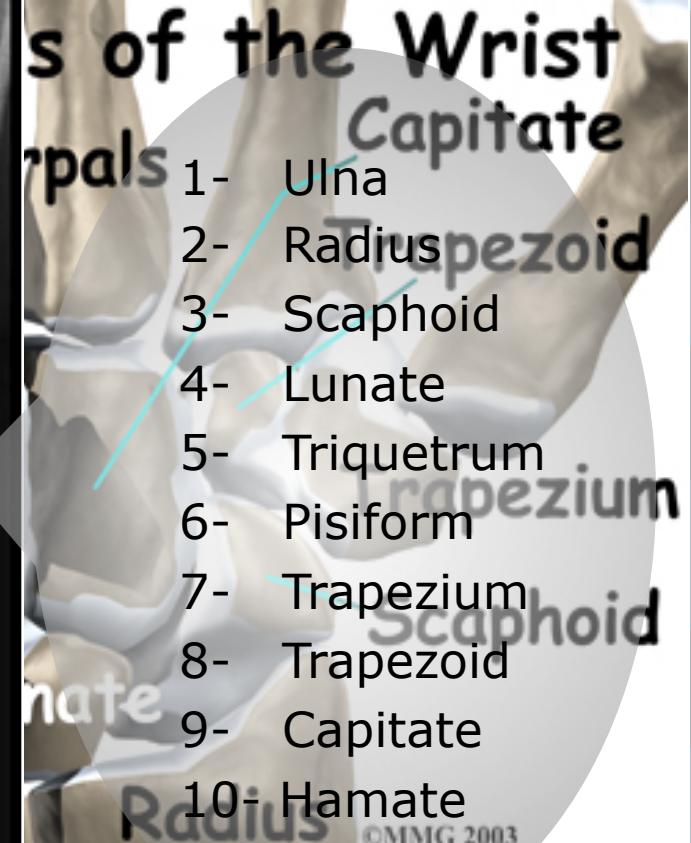
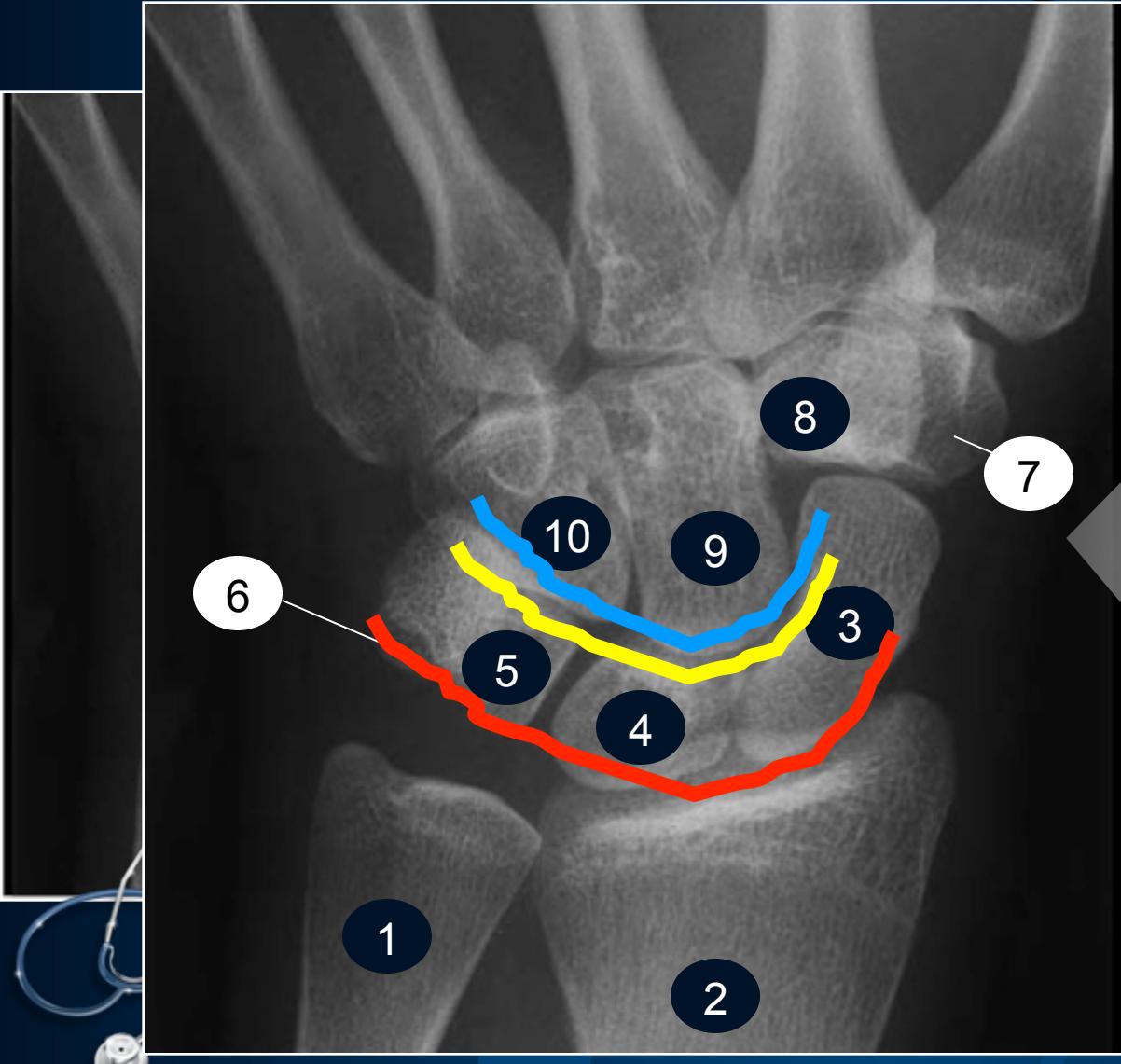


Child 11-Year old

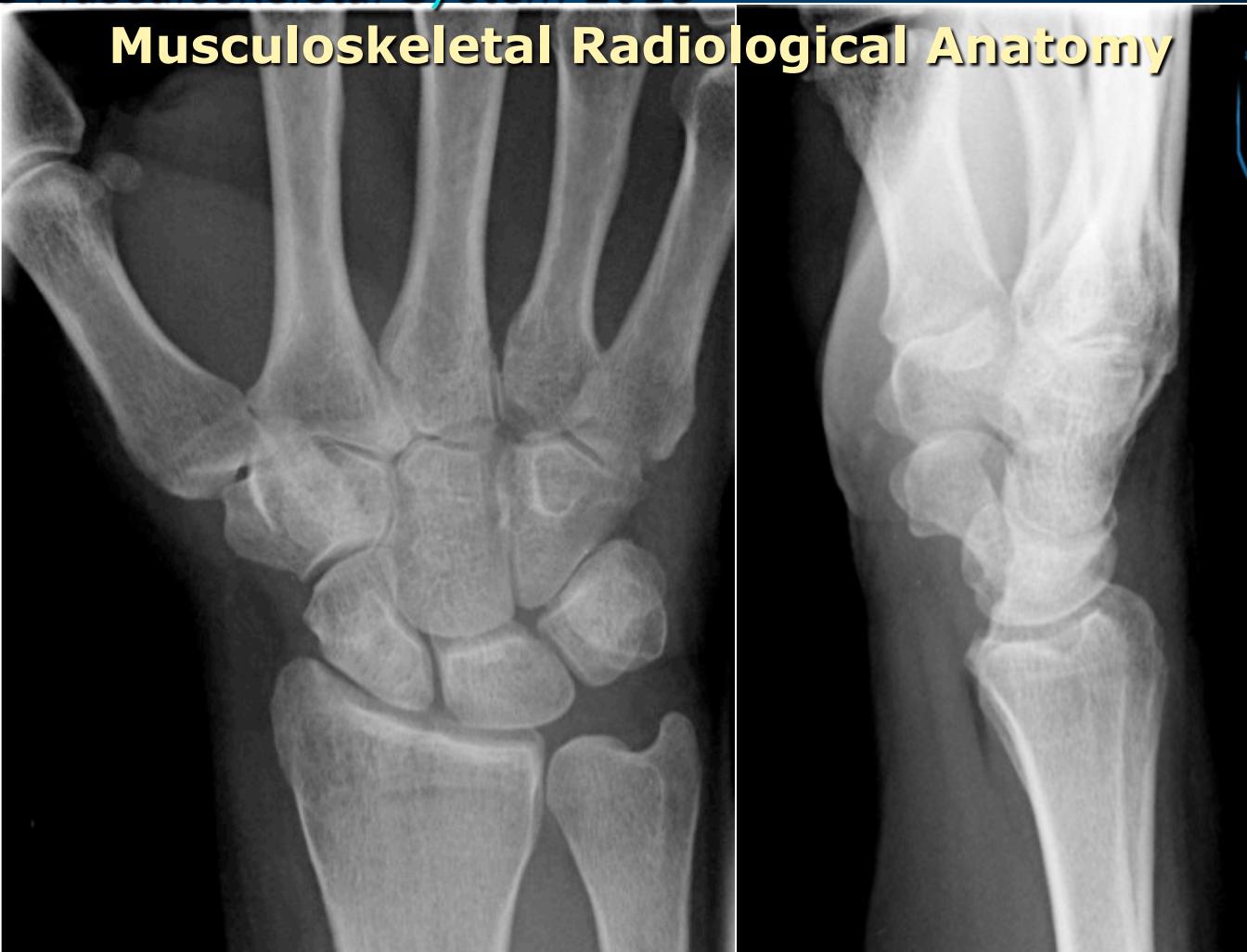


Adult

## Musculoskeletal Radiological Anatomy



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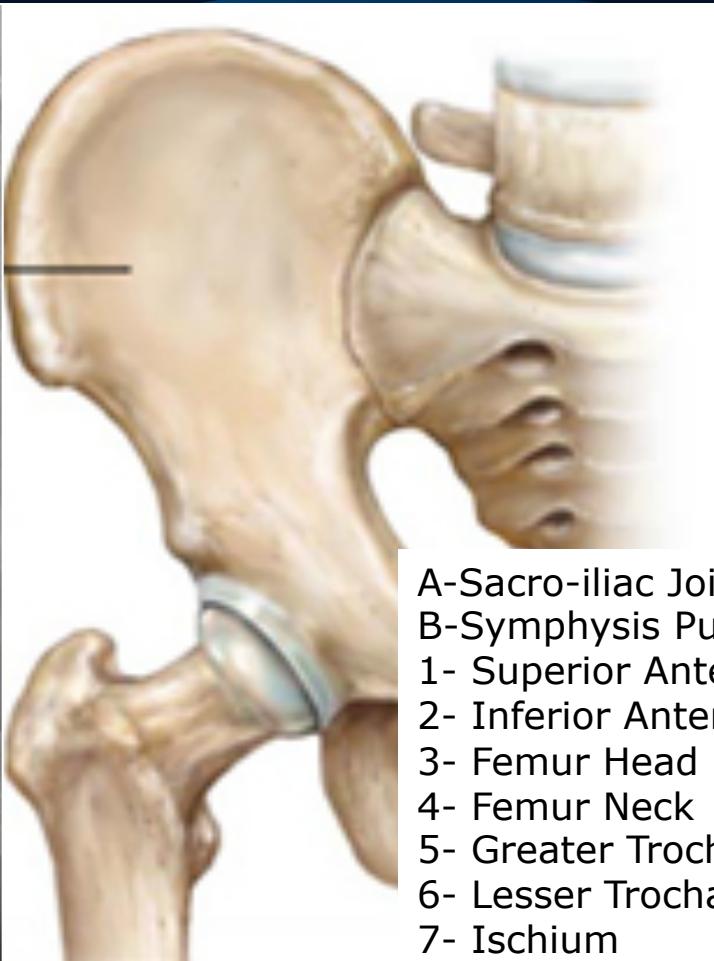
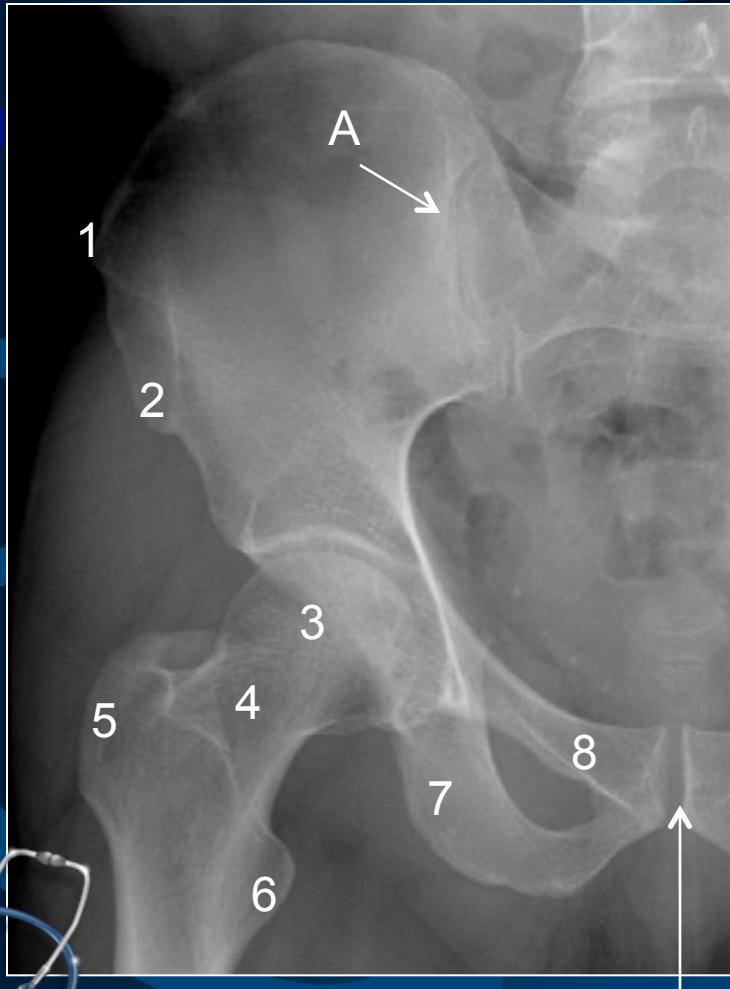
Three carpal arcs should be traced:

- along the proximal row of carpal bones; proximal aspect.
- along the proximal row of carpal bones; distal aspect.
- along the capitate and hamate proximally.



These three lines should remain unbroken

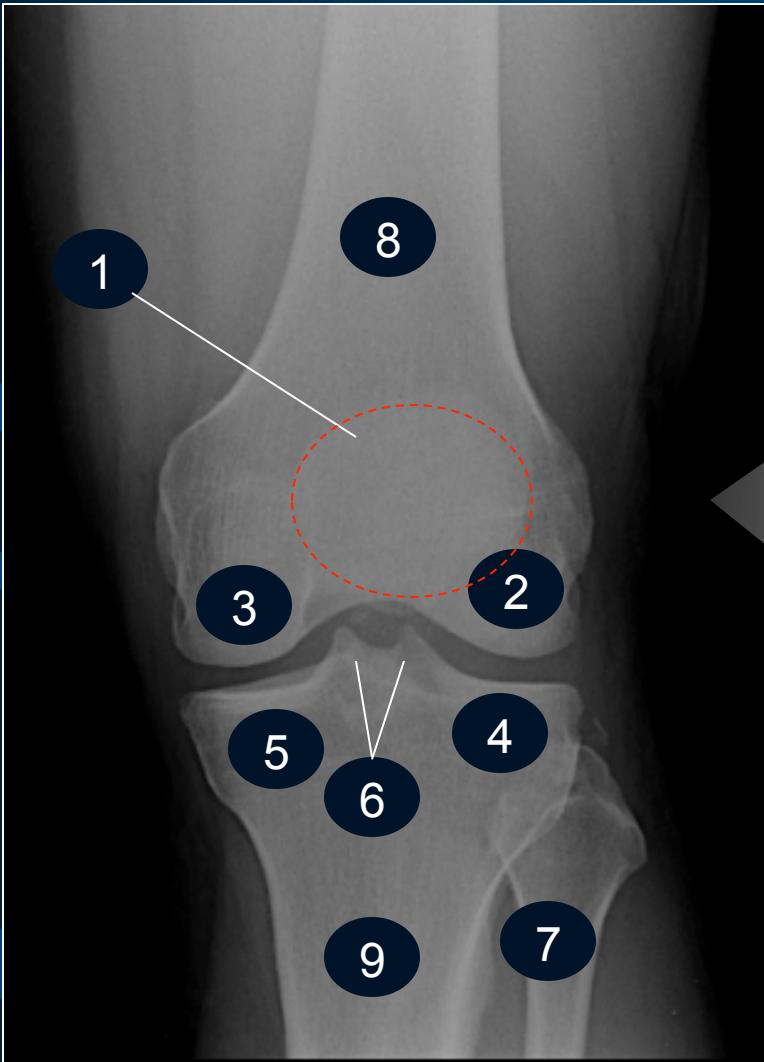
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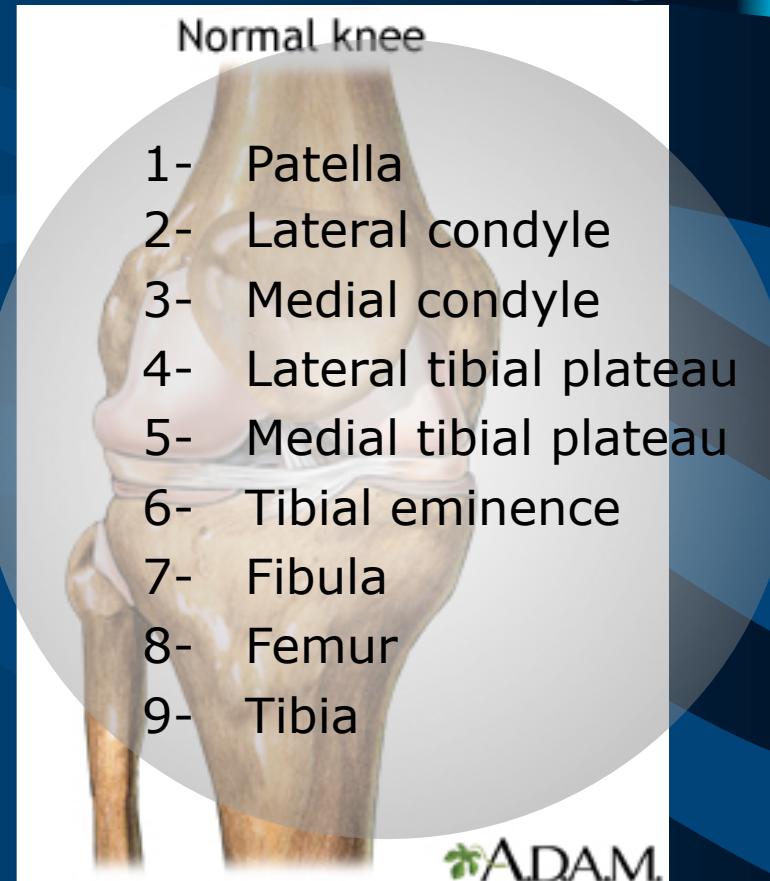
- A-Sacro-iliac Joint
- B-Symphysis Pubis
- 1- Superior Anterior Iliac Spine
- 2- Inferior Anterior Iliac Spine
- 3- Femur Head
- 4- Femur Neck
- 5- Greater Trochanta
- 6- Lesser Trochanta
- 7- Ischium
- 8- Superior Pubic Ramus

B

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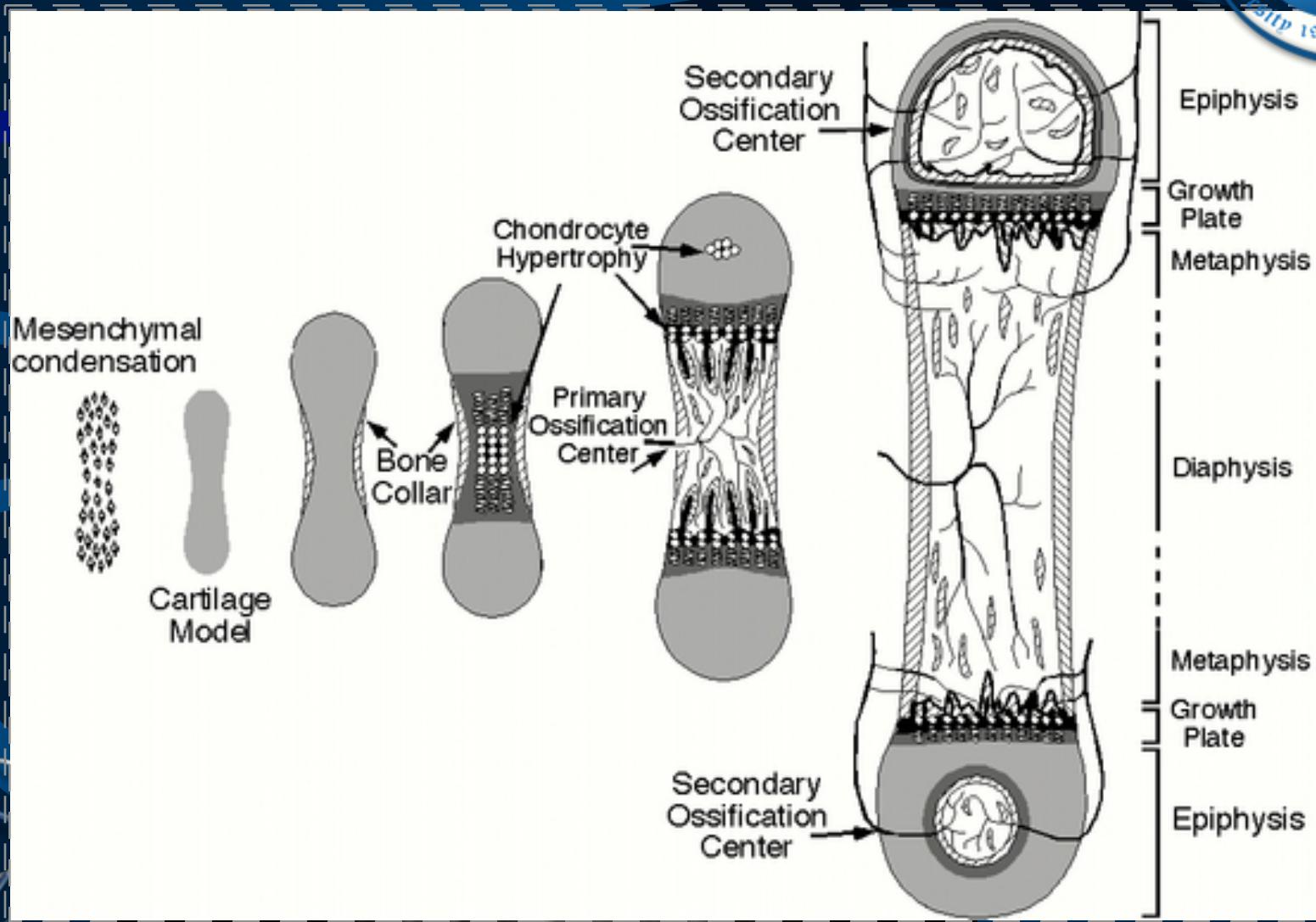


Normal knee



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## Musculoskeletal Radiological Anatomy



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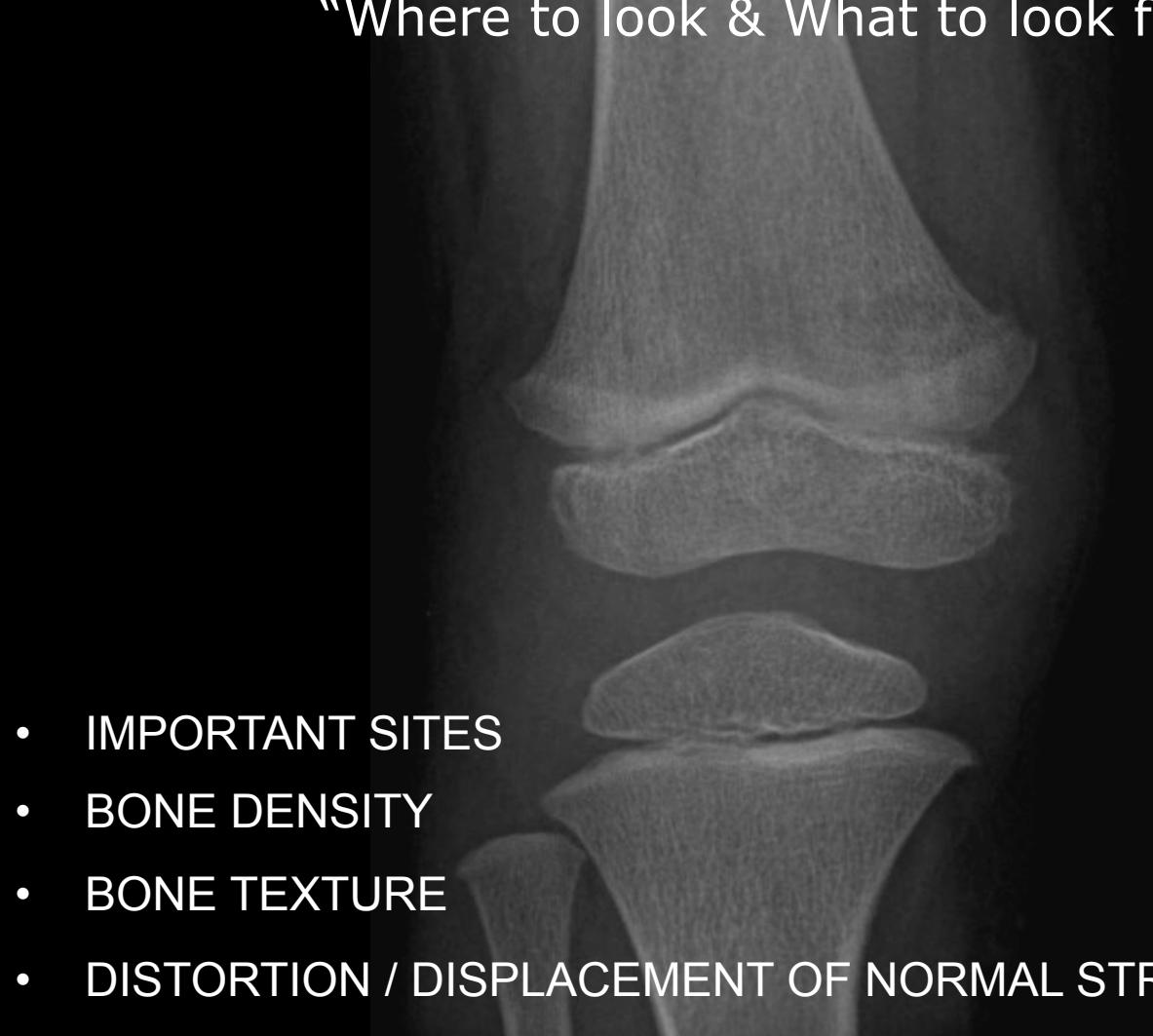


# INTERPRETATION

Normal

Rickets

"Where to look & What to look for"

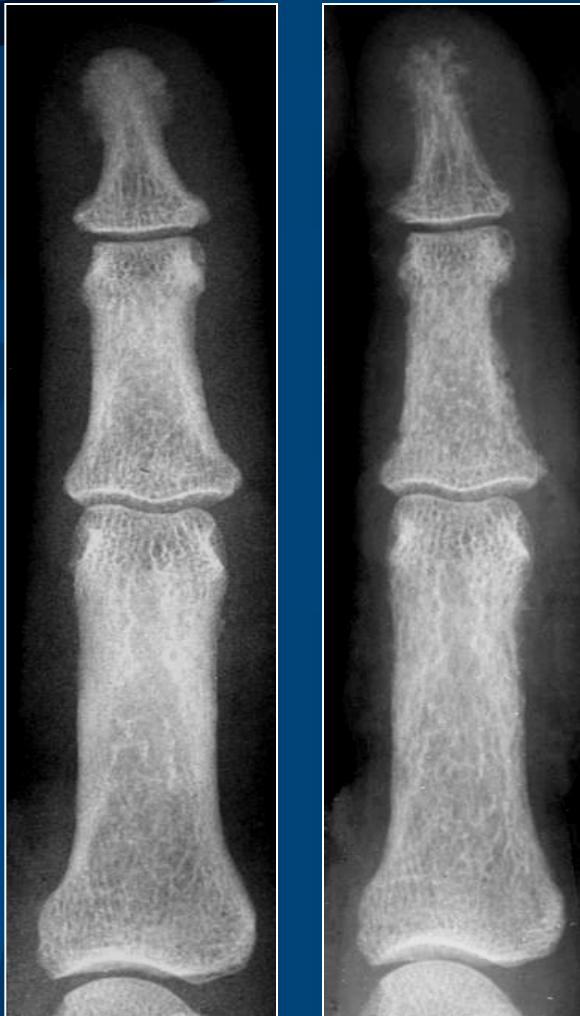


- IMPORTANT SITES
- BONE DENSITY
- BONE TEXTURE
- DISTORTION / DISPLACEMENT OF NORMAL STRUCTURES



# OBJECTIVES

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"Where to look & What to look for"



# **MUSCULOSKELETAL PATHOLOGY**

*Congenital*

*Arthritis*

*Metabolic*

*Neoplastic*

*Trauma*

*Infectious*

*Hematological*





# MUSCULOSKELETAL RADIOLOGICAL TRAUMA





# *TERMINOLOGY IN BONE TRAUMA*

**DISLOCATION vs. SUBLAXATION**

**CLOSED vs. OPEN FRACTURES**

**GREENSTICK vs. TORUS FRACTURES**

**PHYSEAL INJURIES**

**STRESS FRACTURES**

**PATHOLOGICAL FRACTURES**





## *BASIC PRINCIPLES IN RADIOLOGY OF BONE TRAUMA*

- Two perpendicular views.
- Radiograph should include the joint nearest to the trauma.
- The paired bone concept.
- The weakest link concept (Adult vs. Children).
- Comparison films.





# *BASIC PRINCIPLES IN RADIOLOGY OF BONE TRAUMA*

The weakest link

- The soft tissue structures (muscles/ ligaments/ tendons) in **Adults**
- The physeal plate (growth plate) in **Children**



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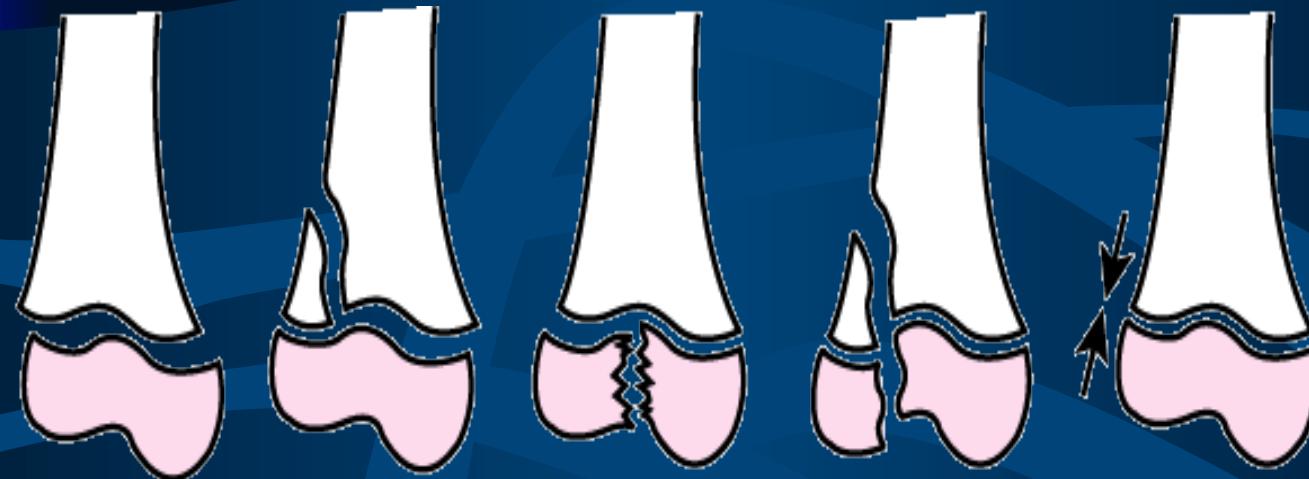
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## Child with trauma and swelling of the elbow



# SALTER-HARRIS INJURIES



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II

III

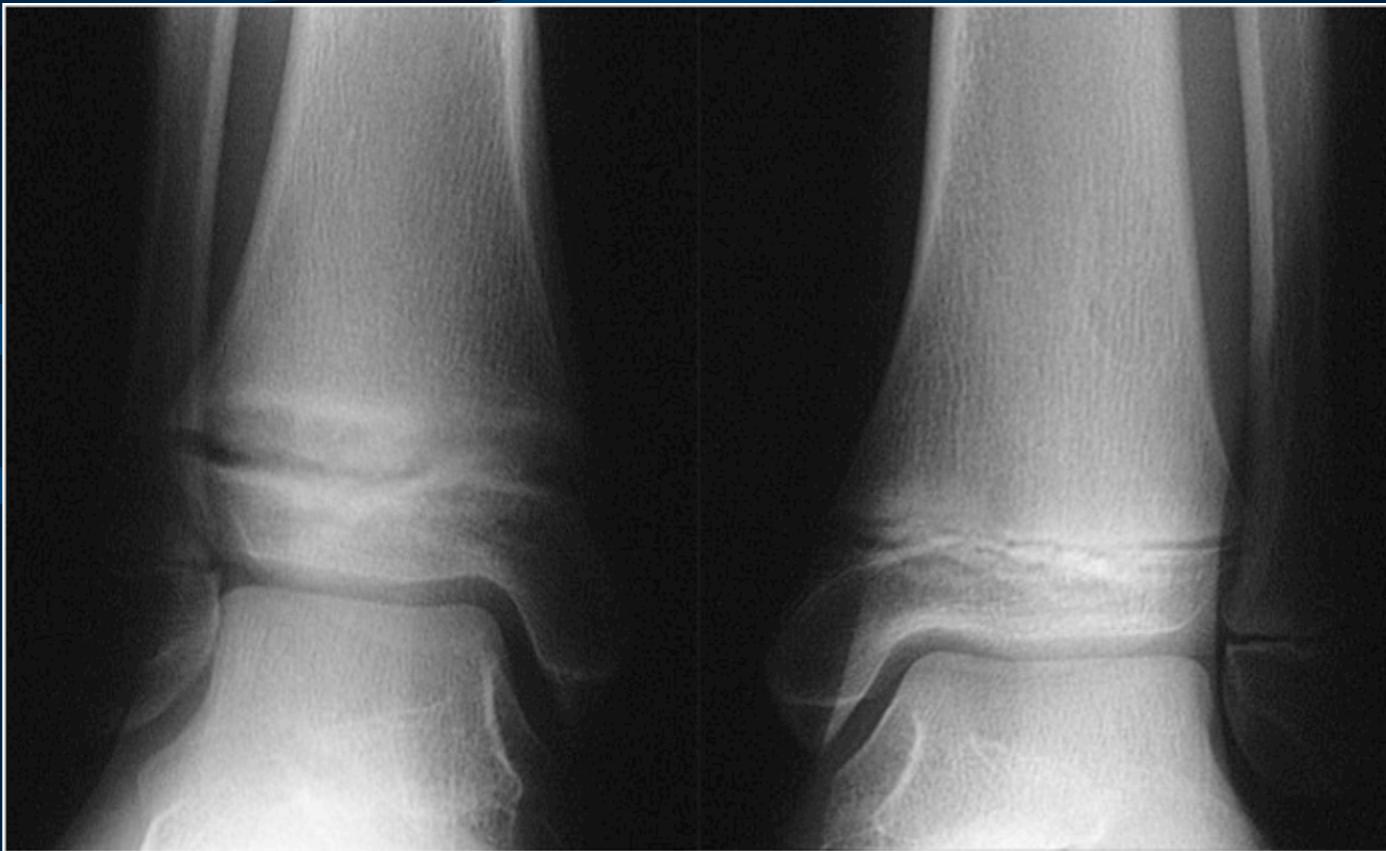
VI

V



Salter-Harris 1

Normal



Traumatic Osteolysis of epiphyseal plate  
Salter-Harris injury Type 1



Salter-Harris 1

Normal



Traumatic Osteolysis of epiphyseal plate  
Salter-Harris injury Type1



11years old boy with swelling of wrist pain



Growth plate injury ( Salter-Harris injury type II )

9years old boy with pain



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Salter-Harris injury Type V



Torus Fracture





Greenstick fracture

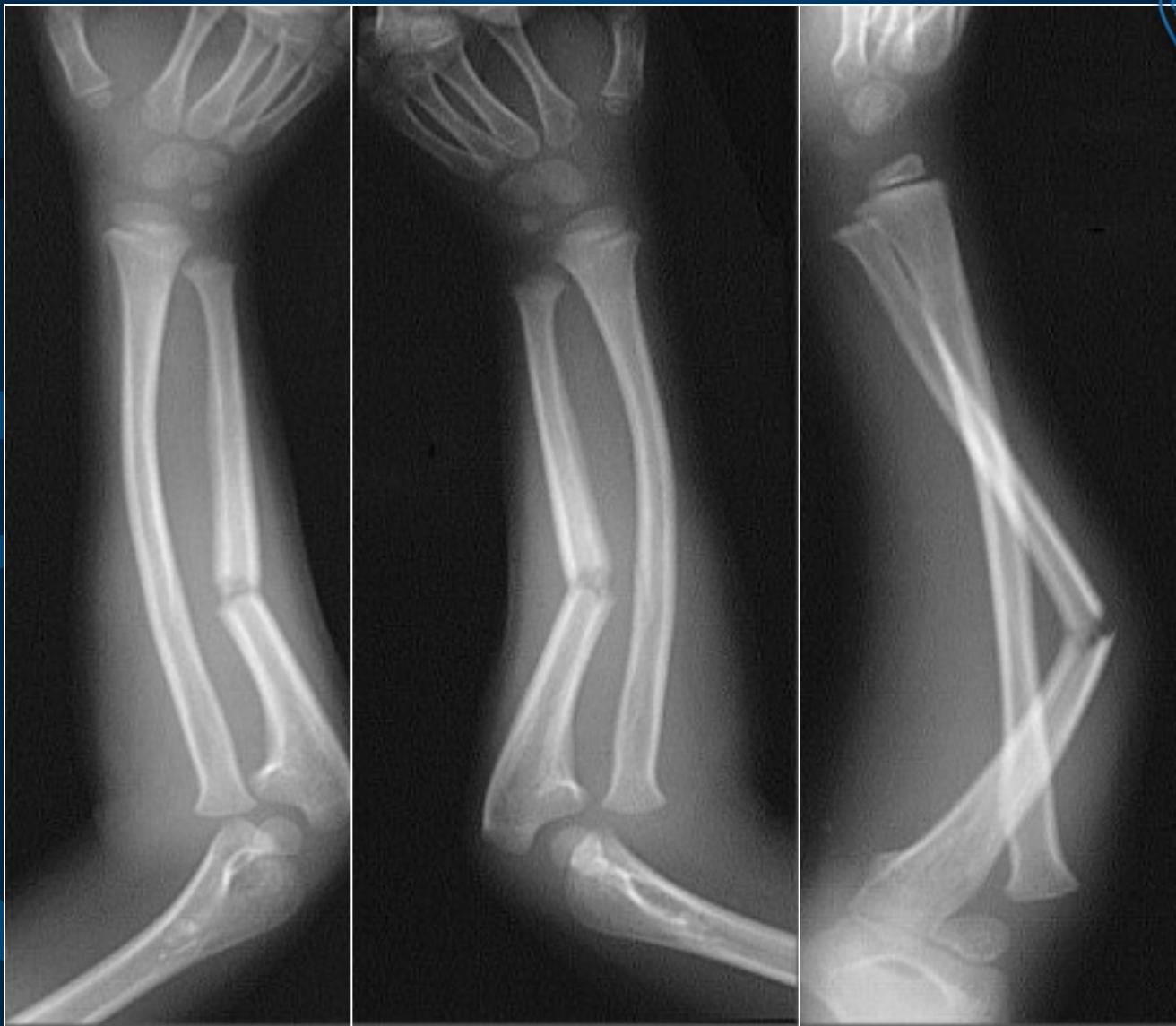




Bowing Fracture



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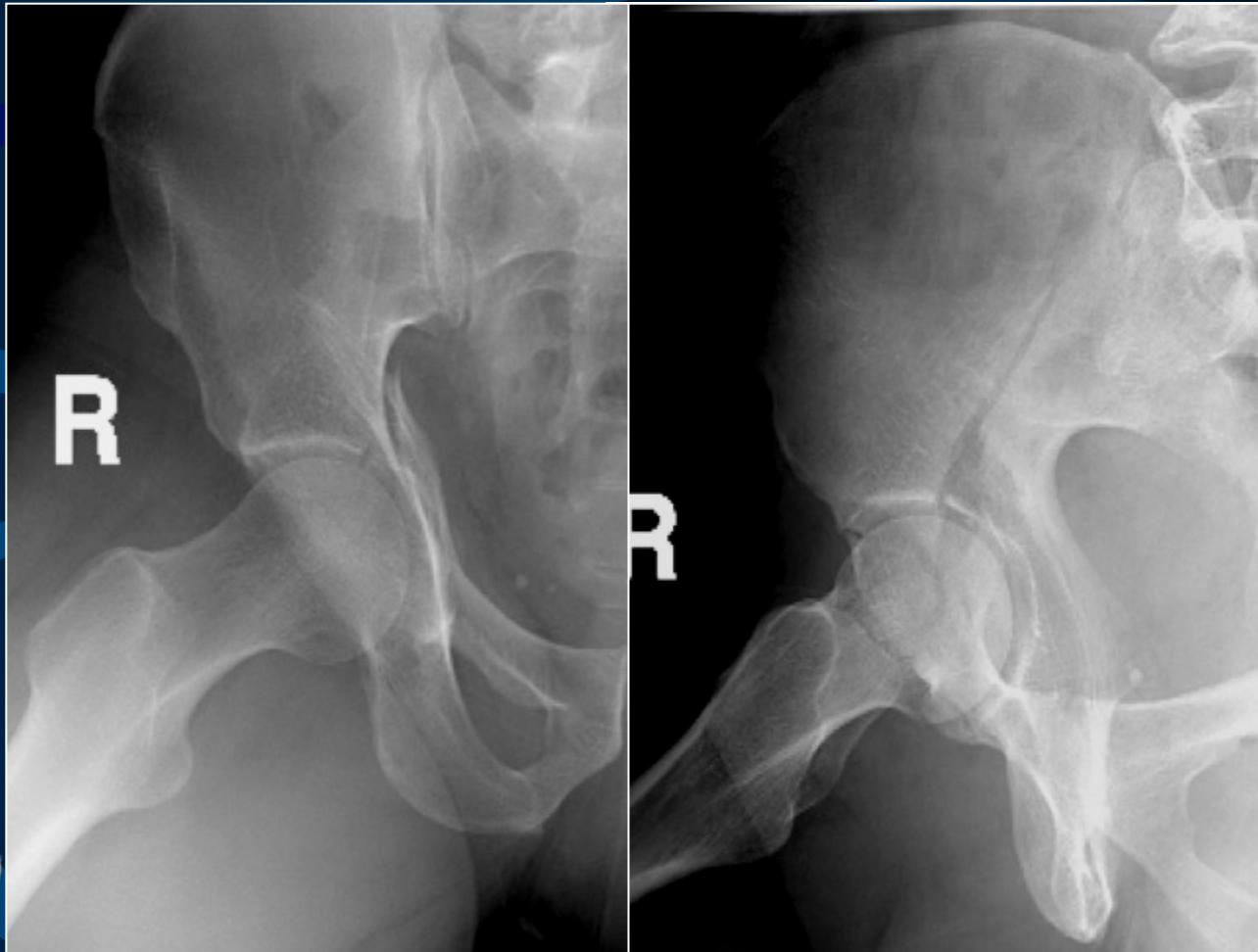
55 years old patient limping with hip pain



Supra-acetabular fracture

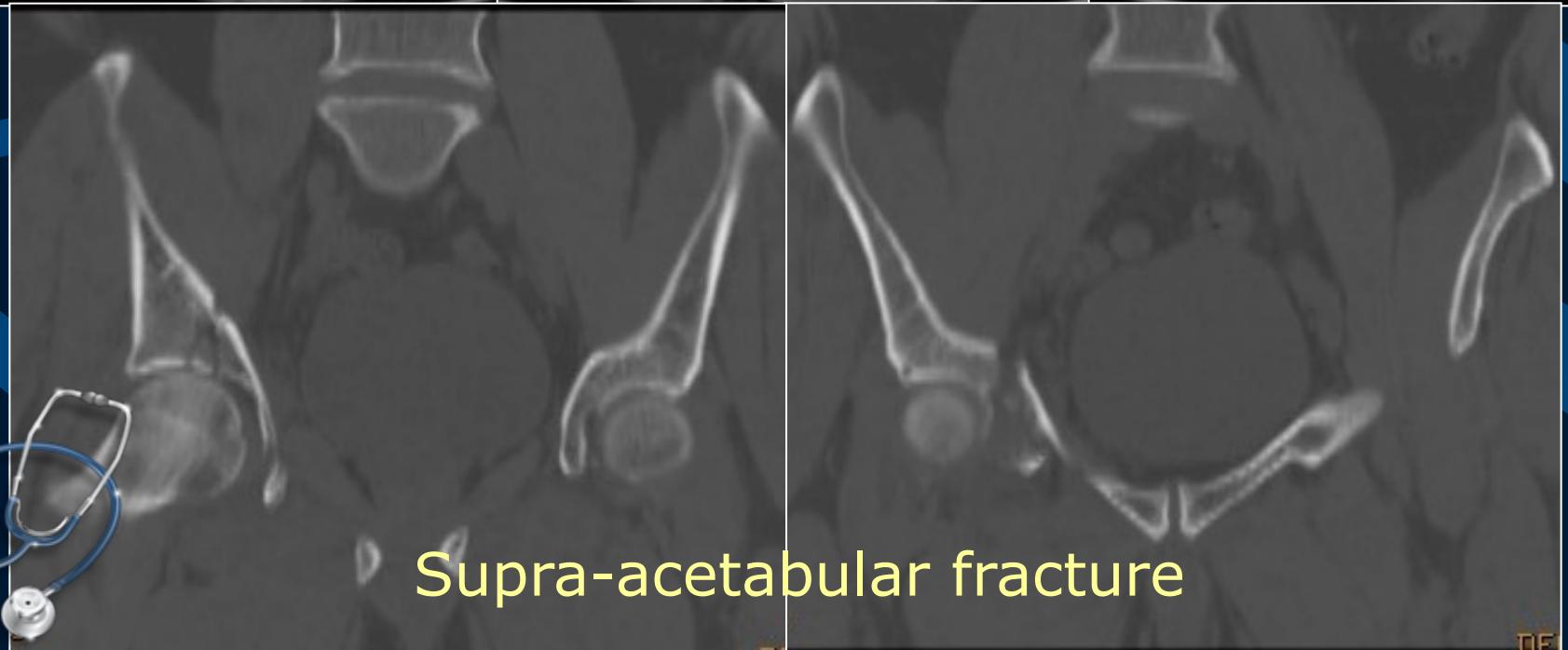
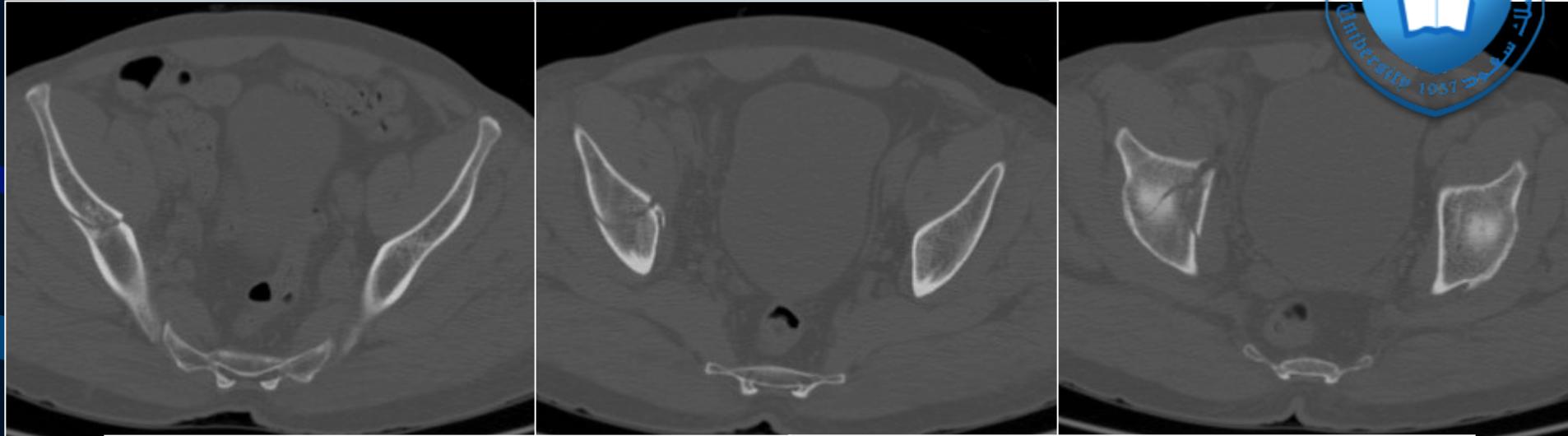


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Supra-acetabular fracture

55 years old patient limping with hip pain



Supra-acetabular fracture

50 years old patient limping with hip pain



Supra-acetabular fracture

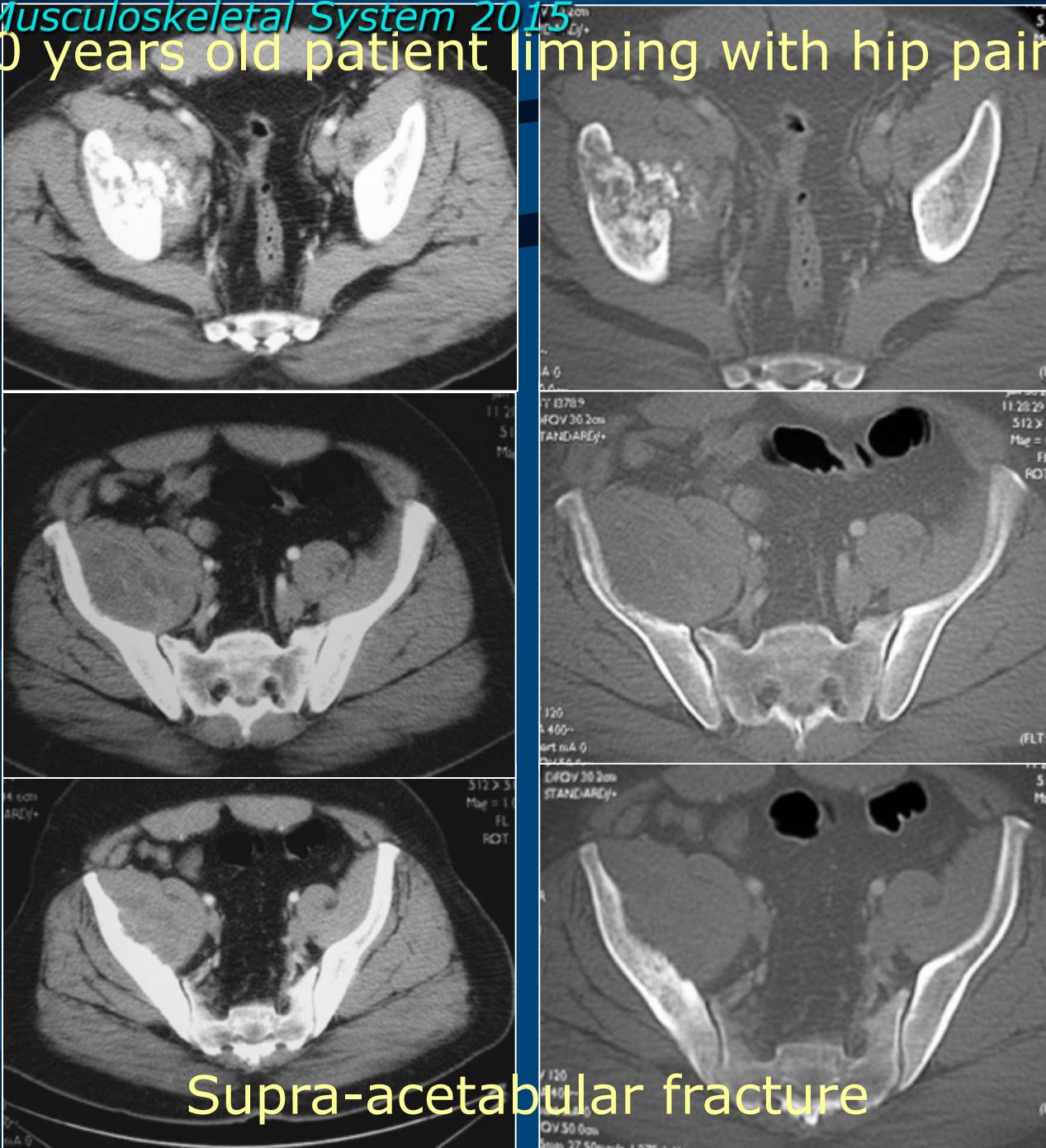
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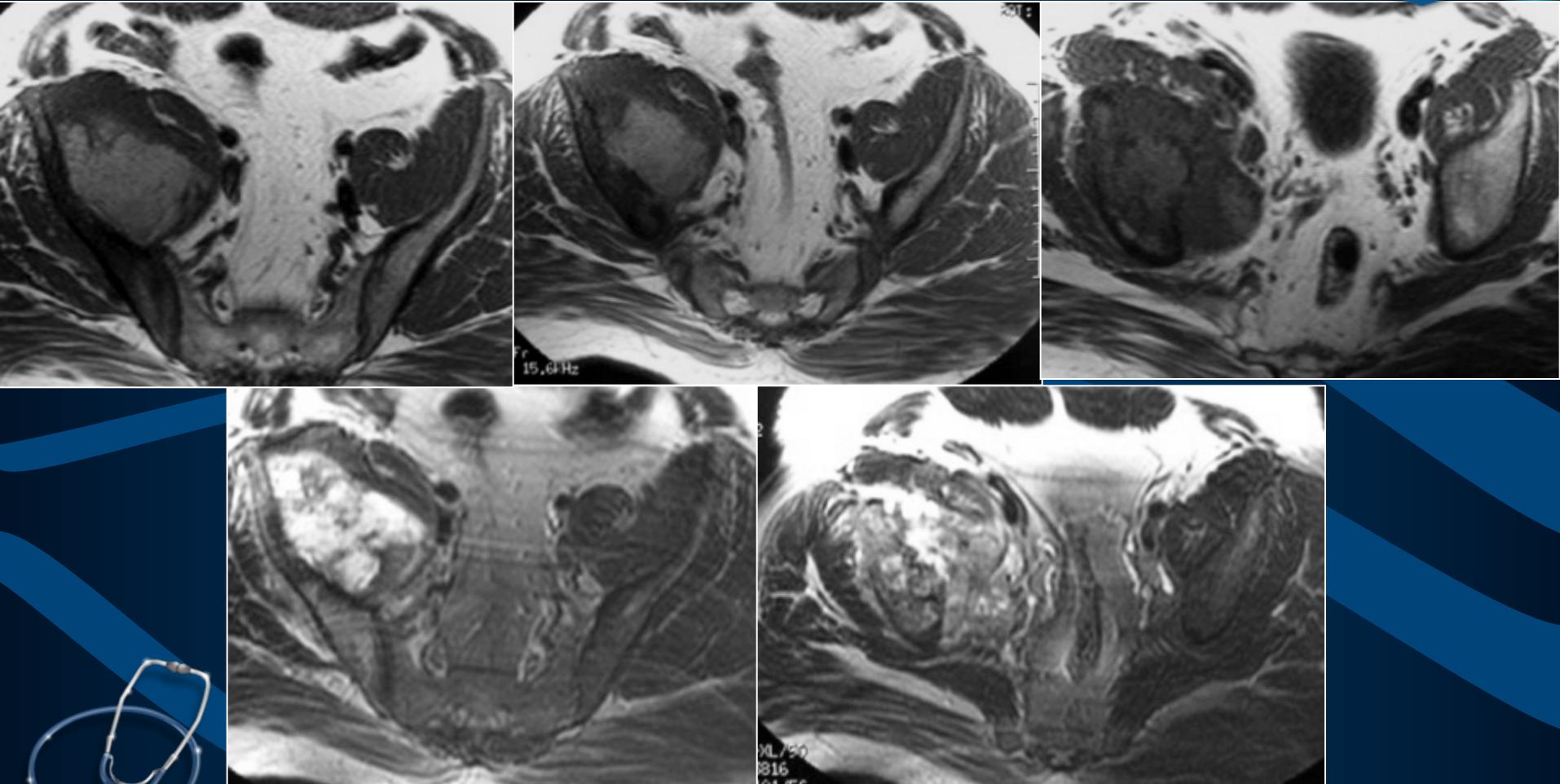


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Supra-acetabular fracture

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Supra-acetabular fracture !!

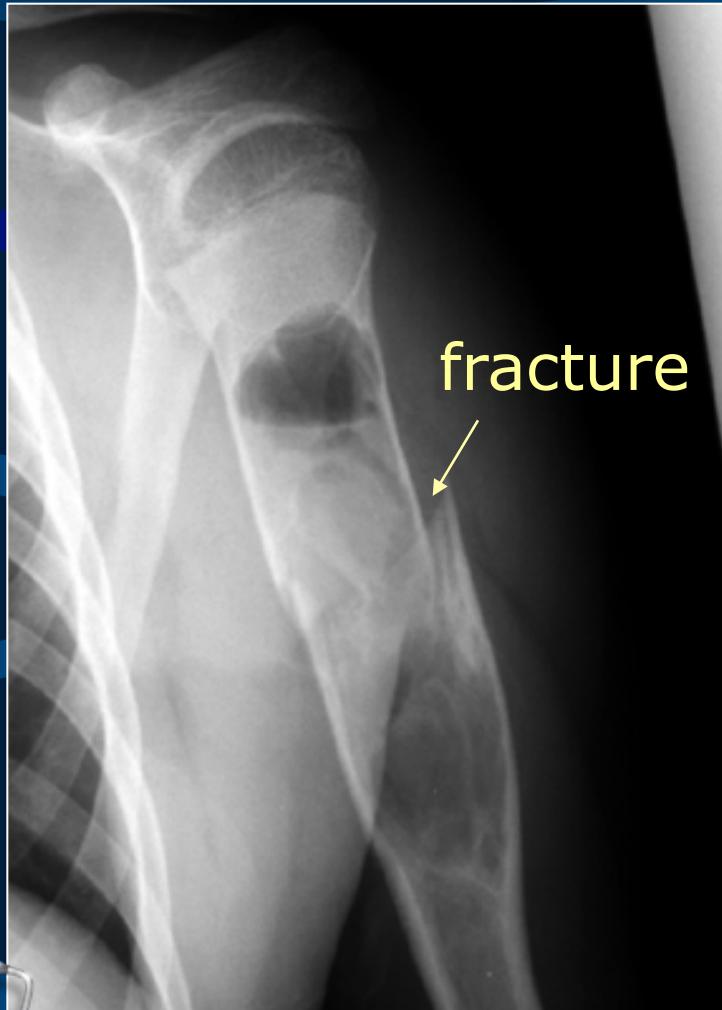


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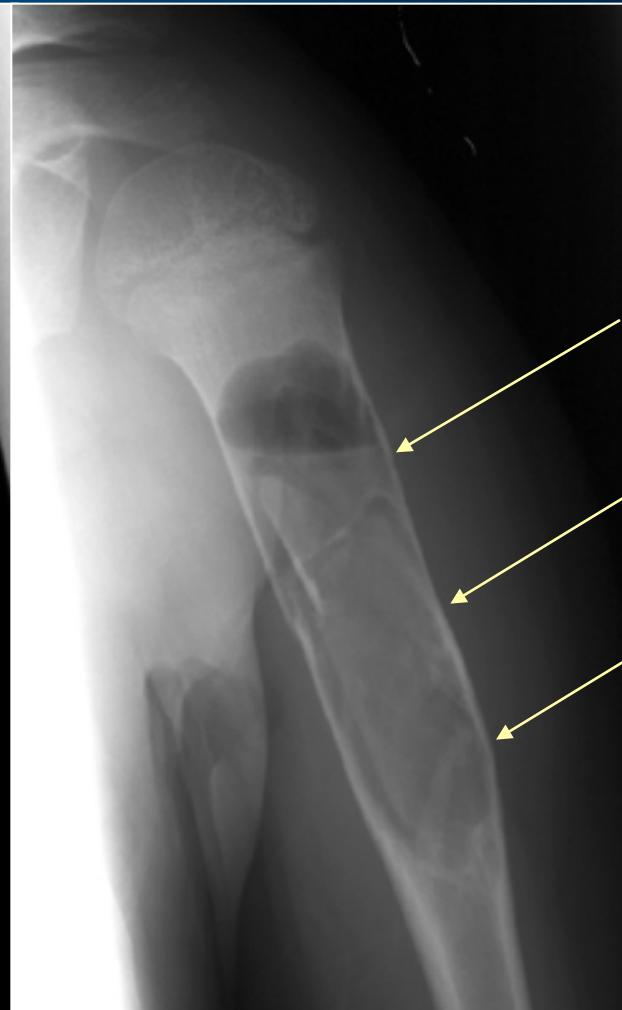


Pathological fracture secondary to sarcoma





fracture



bone cyst

Pathological fracture secondary to bone cyst



# 20 Years old lady finger pain



fracture

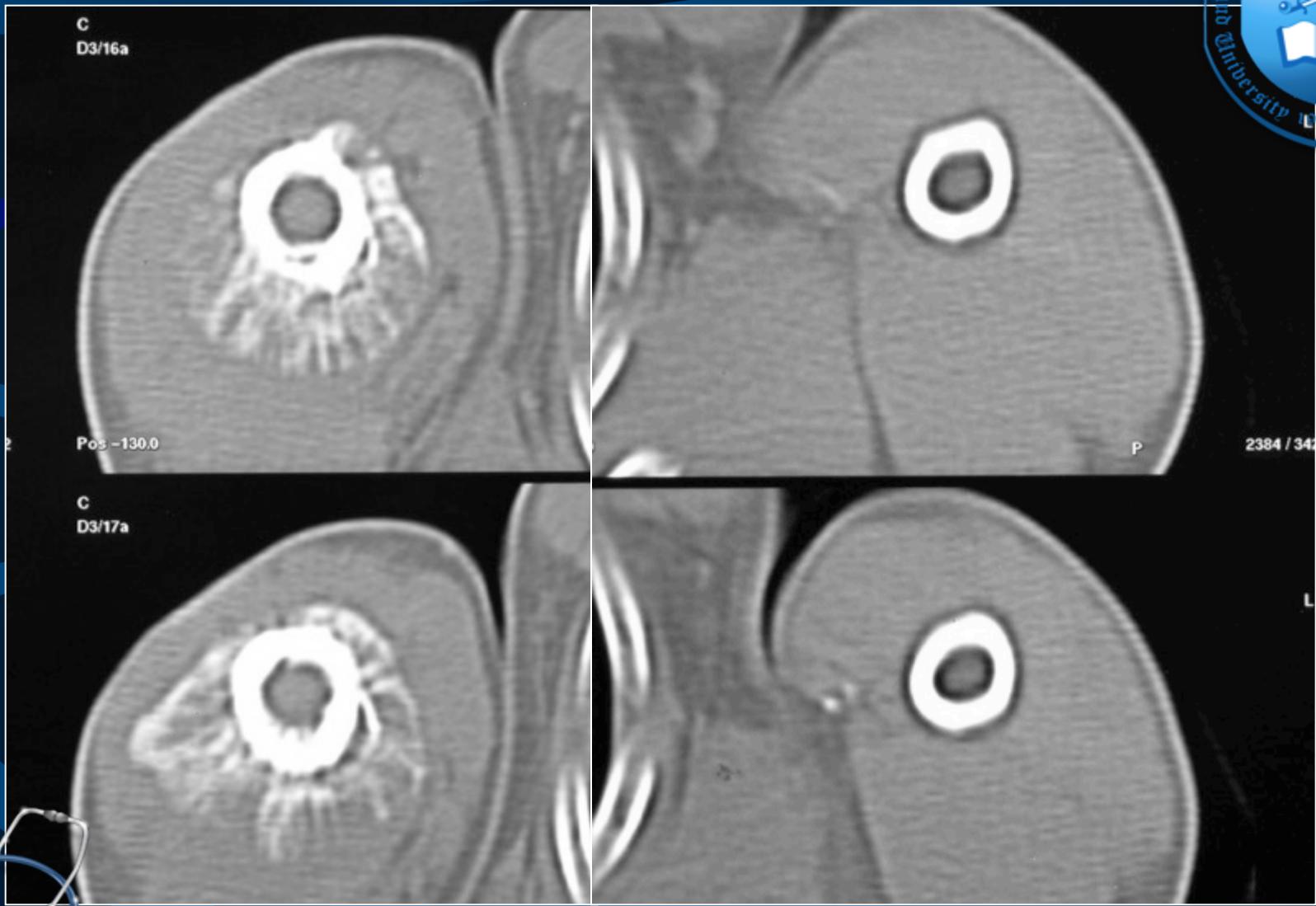




Pathological fracture secondary to sarcoma



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## Stress fracture





## Stress fracture



# Stress fracture after one week





# SUMMARY

- Imaging Modalities
- Musculoskeletal Anatomy
- Image Interpretation
- Musculoskeletal Trauma & Fractures





## MORE IMAGES

- <http://radiopaedia.org/encyclopaedia/cases/musculoskeletal>
- <http://radiopaedia.org/articles/musculoskeletal-curriculum>

