Introduction to Orthopaedics

Orthopedic Surgery = Not only Bone Surgery

- Orthopedic specialty is the branch of medicine which manage trauma and disease of Musculoskeletal system
- It includes: bones, muscles, tendons, ligaments, joints, peripheral nerves, vertebral column and spinal cord and its nerves

Orthopedic Specialty

- Sub-Specialties in orthopedic include:
 - General
 - Pediatric Orthopedic
 - Sport and Reconstructive Orthopedic
 - Orthopedic Trauma
 - Arthroplasty
 - Spinal Surgery
 - Foot and Ankle surgery
 - Oncology
 - Hand Surgery
 - Upper Limb (New)

Red Flags

- Red Flags = Warning Symptom or Sign
- Red flags should always be looked for and remembered

• Presence of a red flag means the necessity for urgent or different action/intervention

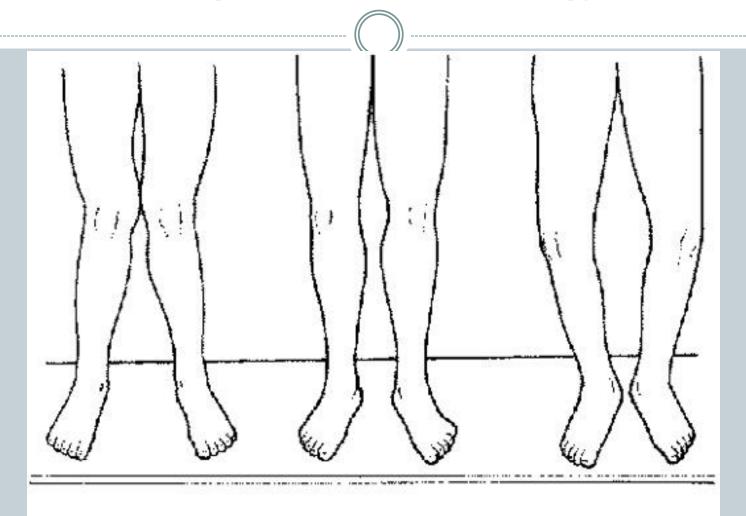
Examples of Red Flags

- Open Fractures: more serious and very high possibility of infection and complications
- Complicated Fractures: fracture with injury to major blood vessel, nerve or nearby structure
- Compartment Syndrome: increase in intracompartment pressure which endangers the blood circulation of the limb and may affect nerve supply
- Cauda Equina Syndrome: compression of the nerve roots of the Cauda Equina at the spinal canal which affect motor and nerve supply to lower limbs and bladder (also saddle or peri-anal area)

Examples of Red Flags

- Infection of Bone, Joint and Soft Tissue
 Osteomyelitis: Infection of the bone
 Septic Arthritis: Infection of the joint
 Cellulitis: spreading Infection of the soft tissue
 May cause septicemia or irreversible damage
- Multiple Trauma or Pelvic Injury: more than one fracture or injury sustained at the same time consider massive blood loss and associated injuries
- . Acute joint Dislocations : requires urgent reduction or may cause serious complications

Alignment terminology



Genu valgum

Normal

Genu varum

Alignment Terminology: Cubitus Varus



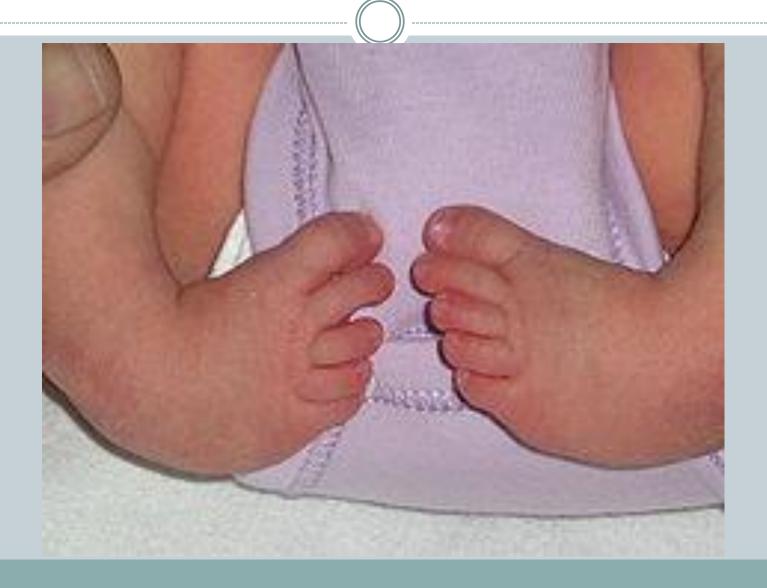
Alignment terminology: Cubitus Valgus



Congenital or Acquired

- Acquired conditions include :
 - o Trauma
 - Developmental
 - Inflammation
 - Infection
 - Neuromuscular
 - Degenerative
 - Metabolic
 - Tumor

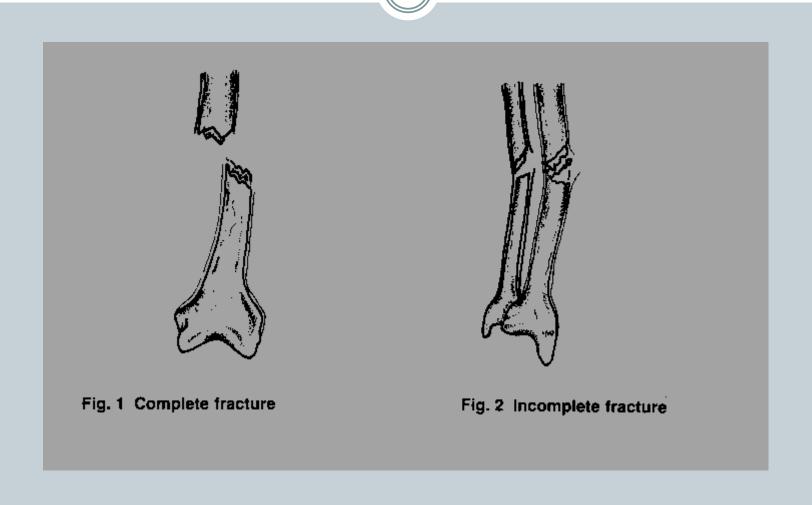
Congenital Anomaly: Talipes Equino Varus TEV



Traumatic Injuries

- Fractures
- Dislocations
- Soft tissues injuries: ligaments, tendons
- Nerve injuries
- Epiphyseal injuries

Fractures: Break in the continuity of bone

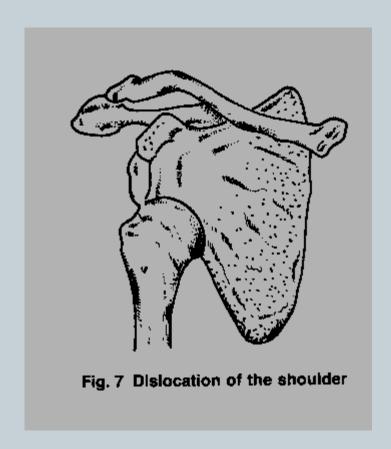


Dislocations

Complete separation of the articular surface

Distal to proximal fragment

Anterior, Posterior, Inferior, Superior



Fracture Dislocation

Dislocation with fracture of the bone



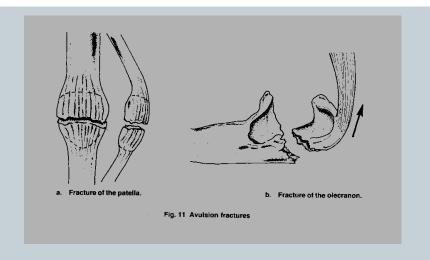
Always X-Ray Joint Above and Below



Avulsion Fracture

Force due to
Resisted Muscle
Action:-

"Avulsion" Transverse pattern





Intra-articular Fractures

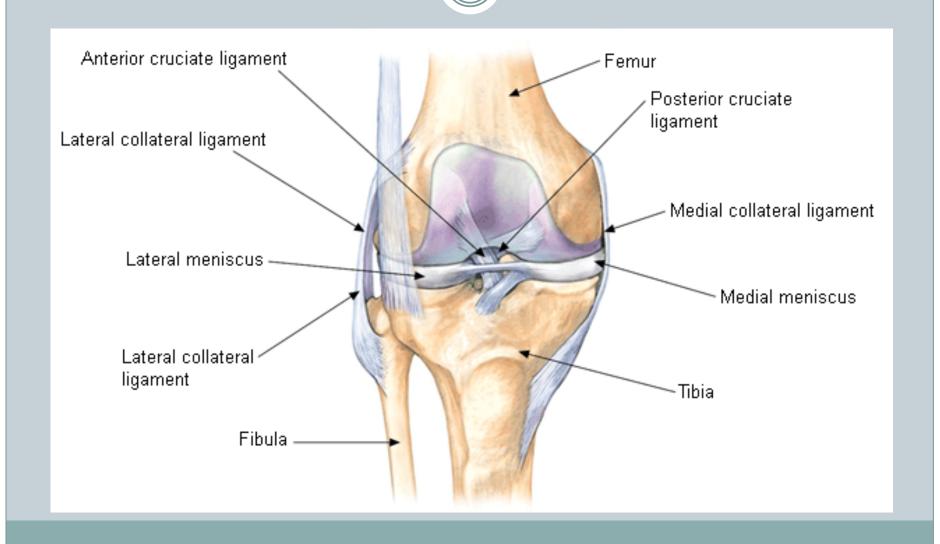
 If displaced; should always be treated by ORIF=

Open Reduction and Internal Fixation

failure to reduce and fix such fracture results in loss of function, deformity and early degenerative changes



Soft tissue injuries of the knee



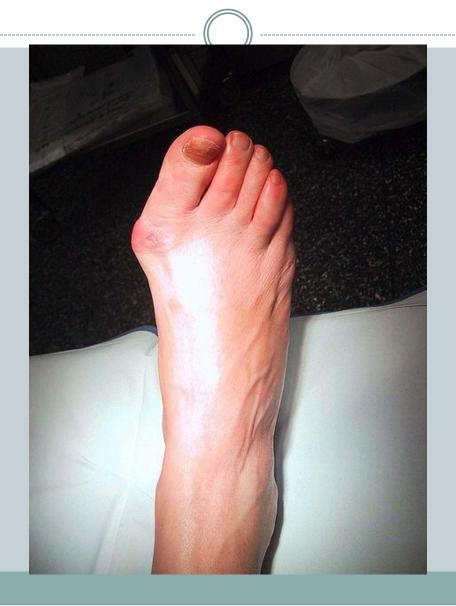
Anterior Cruciate Ligament injury: MRI



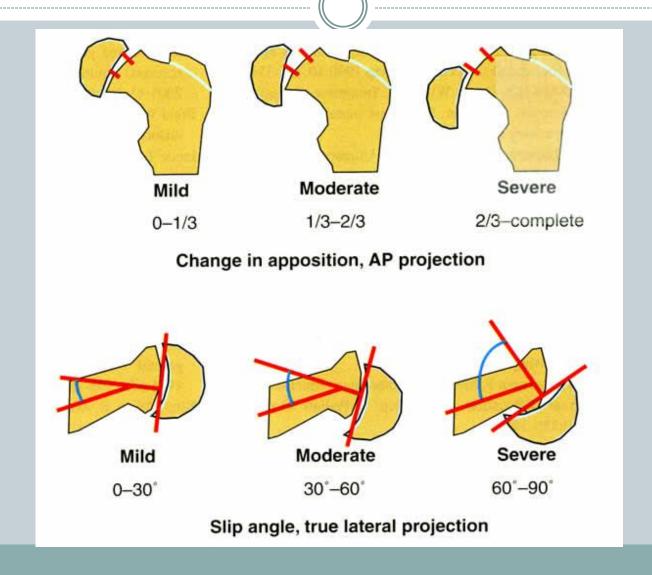
(Developmental Dislocation of Hip) DDH



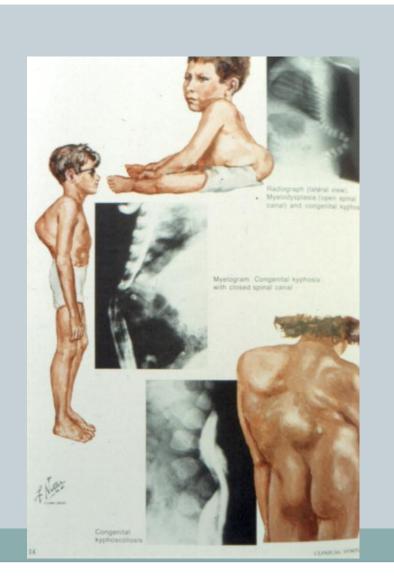
Developmental Foot deformity: Hallux Valgus

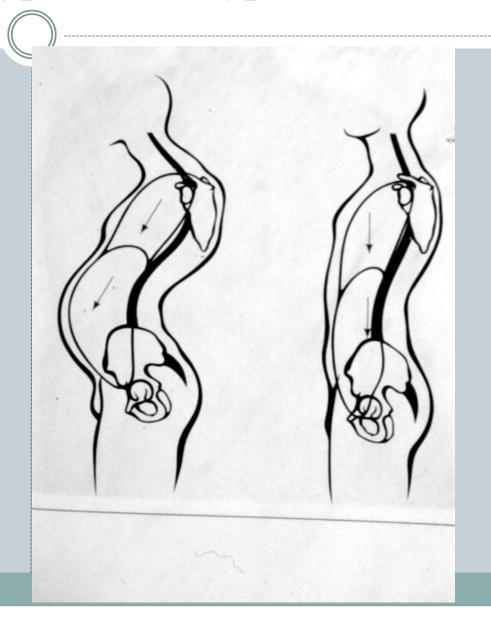


Developmental: SCFE (Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis)

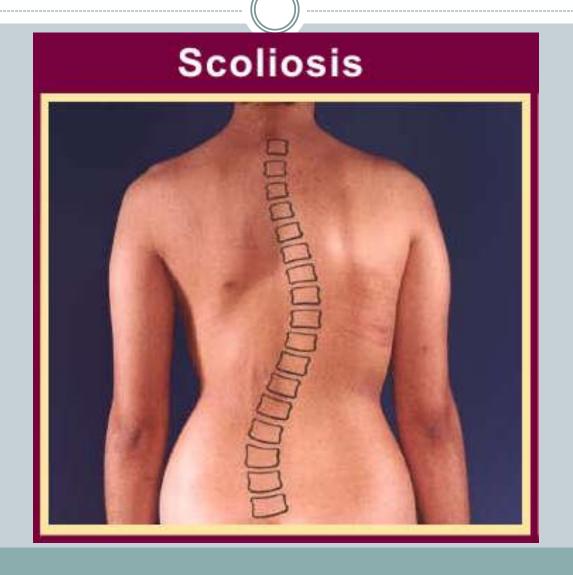


Spinal Deformities: Kyphosis or Hyperlordosis





Spinal Deformity: Scoliosis



Degenerative Disorders

- Occur at any joint
- Can be primary or secondary
- Can lead to pain and/or deformity and/or loss of function

OA Hip



Osteoarthritis of Knee



Metabolic Disorders (Rickets): Bow Legs

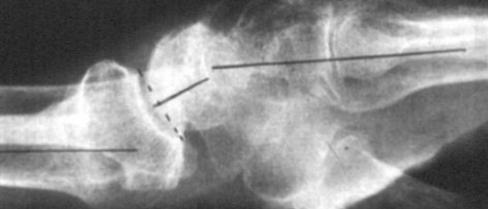


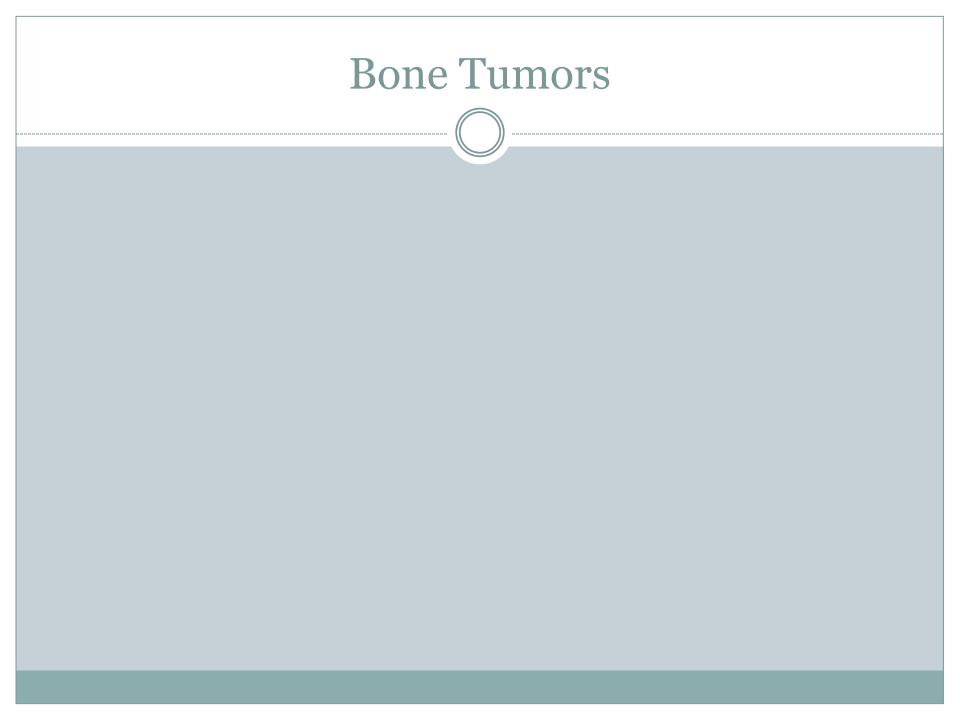
Osteoporosis: Pathological Fracture



Osteoporosis: Colles fracture







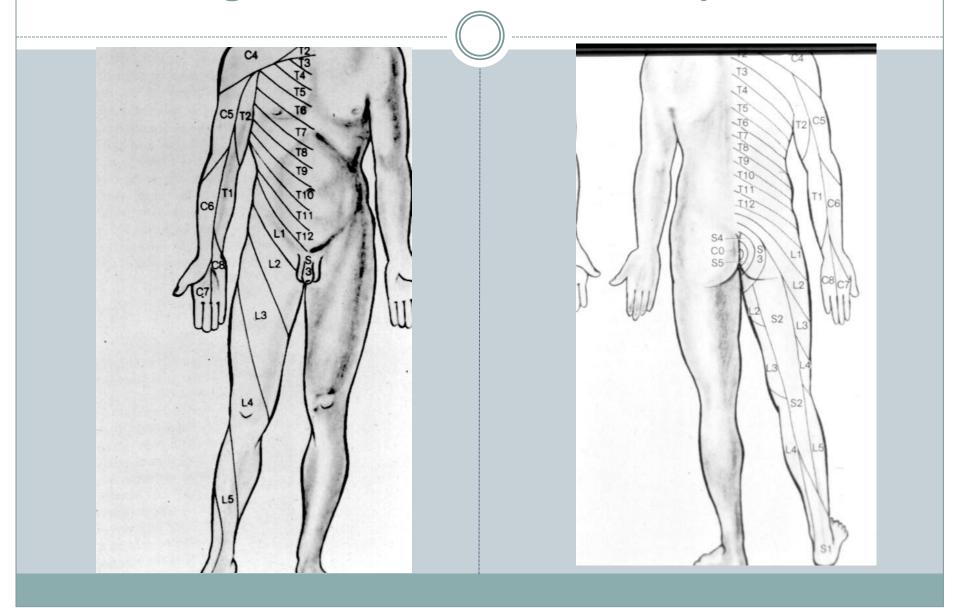
Bone Tumor



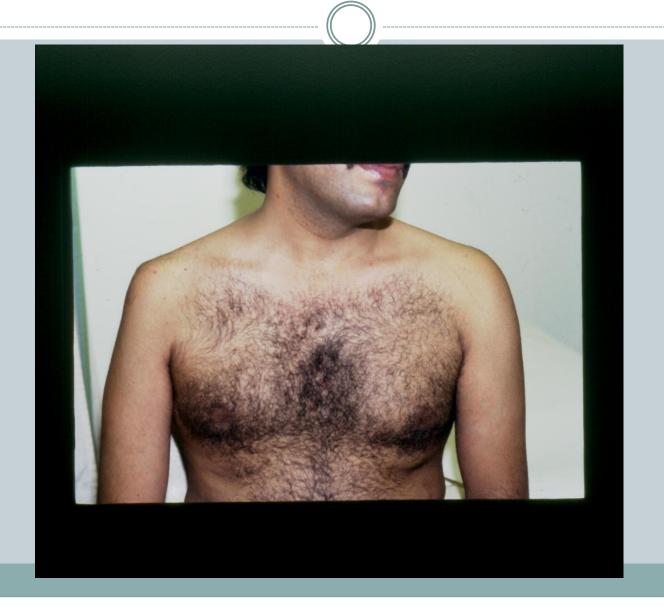
Bone tumors



Neurological Evaluation: Sensory & Motor



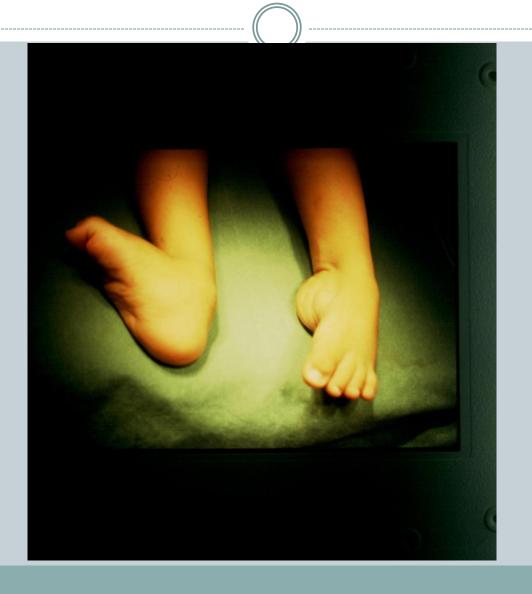
Nerve Injury: Muscle wasting



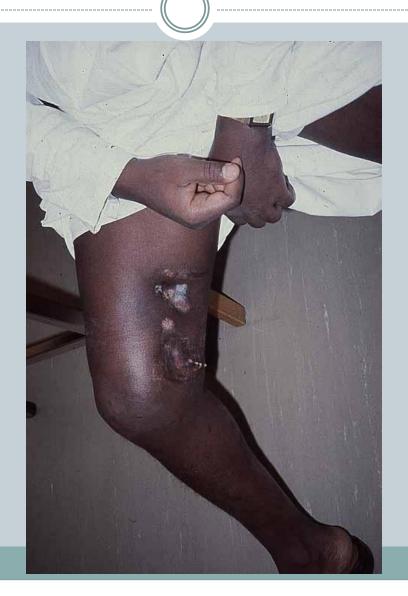
Spinal Cord Injury

- Often results from fracture dislocation of spine
- When injury is at cervical spine it may result in Tetraplegia
- Injury at dorsal spine may result in Paraplegia

Neuromuscular disorder: Polio



Chronic Osteomyelitis: discharging sinus



Chronic Osteomyelitis: Sequestrum



Physiotherapy for Orthopedic Patients

- Physiotherapy is an important part of orthopedic and trauma management
- It is used for : pain relief, prevention of stiffness, muscle strengthening, mobilisation of stiff joint or spine, training non-weight bearing or partial weight bearing
- Physiotherapy modalities include: heat, cold, exercise, ultrasound, traction, electrical stimulation

Clinical Skill: Cast application



Clinical Skills: Knee Aspiration

