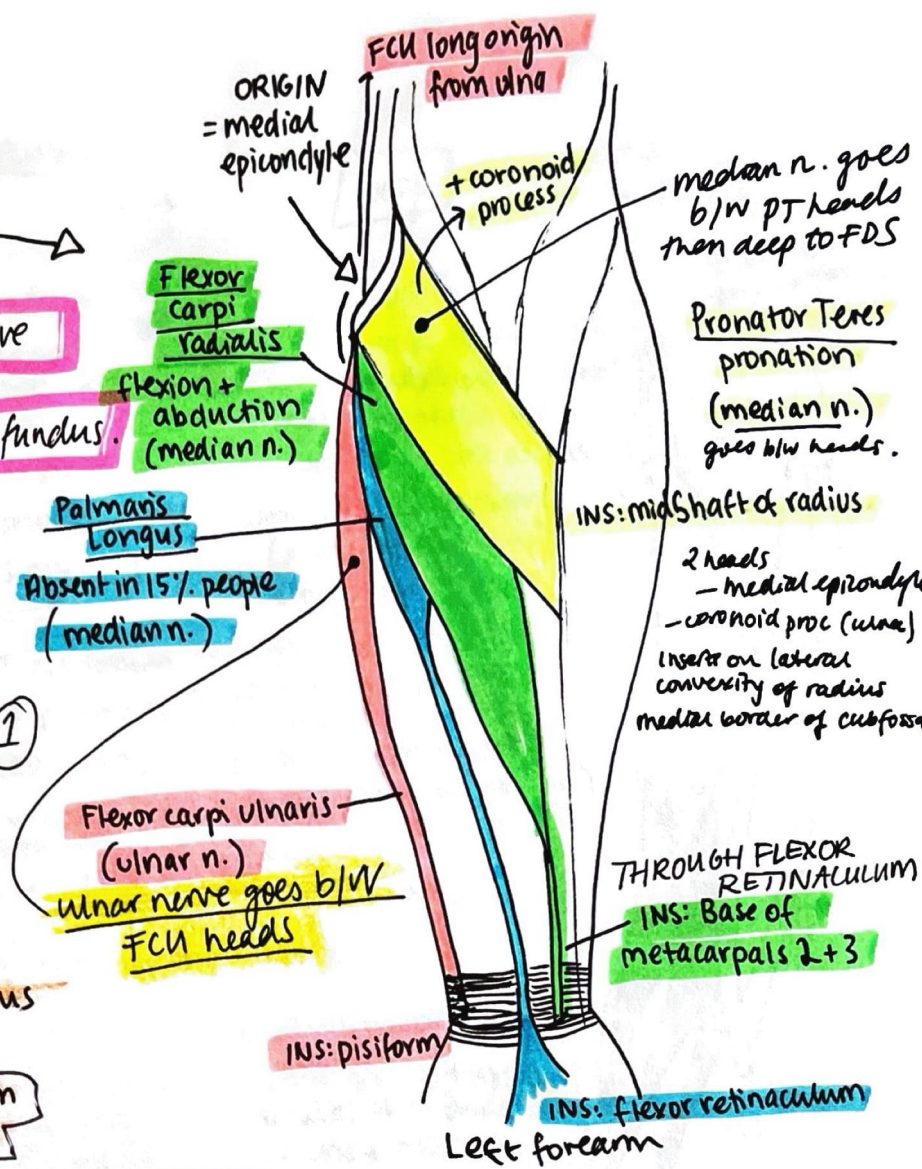


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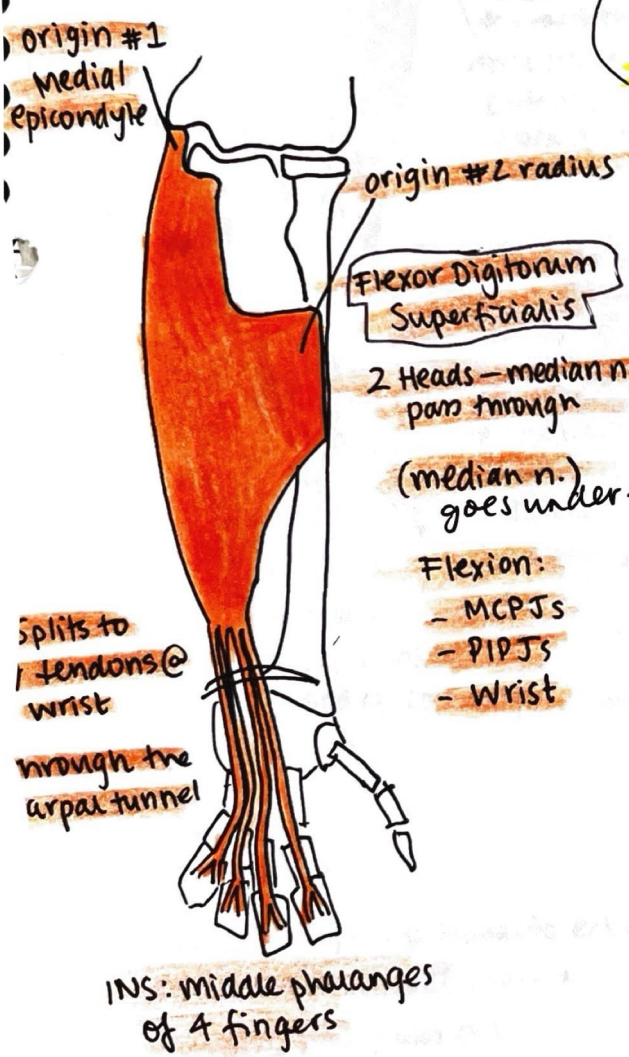
## ANTERIOR COMPARTMENT

### SUPERFICIAL MUSCLES (4)

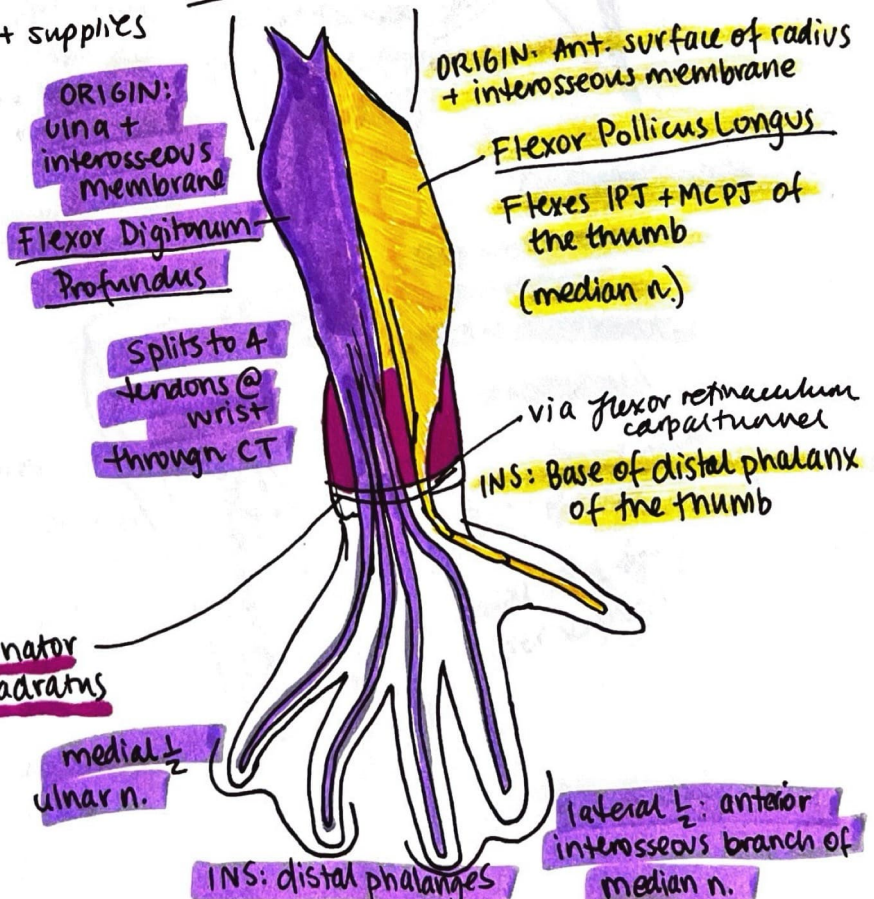
All flexors supplied by median nerve except flexor carpi ulnaris & medial 1/2 of Flex digitorum profundus.



## INTERMEDIATE COMPARTMENT (1)



## DEEP MUSCLES (3)



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## Extensor / posterior compartment

### Superficial

radial n.)  
 Extensor Carpi  
 radialis  
 Long / Brev)  
 supracondylar  
 ridge  
 lateral epicondyle  
 Attach to  
 metacarpals  
 2-3  
 extend + Abduct  
 @ wrist.  
 Attaches to  
 ulnar radius,  
 + before the  
 ulnar process



(Flexion) **BRACHIO RADIALIS**  
 RADIAL NERVE GOES THROUGH  
 ORIGIN: lateral supracondylar ridge of humerus (radial n.)

Lateral epicondyle. (tennis elbow)  
 Extensor digitorum  
 ORIGIN: Lat epicondyle  
 Ext @ MCP + IPJs.  
 (radial n. deep)  
 Anconeus: lat epicondyle → post/lat olecranon.  
 Extends + stabilises elbow  
 Abducts ulna during pronation (radial n.)

**Extensor carpi ulnaris**  
 O: lateral epicondyle  
 I: Base of 5th MC  
 A: ext + adduct wrist (deep radial n.)  
**Extensor digiti minimi**  
 O: lateral epicondyle  
 I: extensor hood  
 A: ext little finger + wrist (deep radial n.)

INS: lateral  
 INS: Extensor hood of each finger (deep radial n.)

### Deep

**Supinator**  
 Floor of cubital fossa  
 2 heads: deep branch of radial nerve passes b/w  
 Inserts on post radius.  
 Supinates the forearm (deep b. of radial n.)  
 \*post interosseous\*

**Abductor pollicis longus**  
 lat border of snuffbox  
 O: interosseous memo  
 A: lateral base 1st MC (post. inteross b. radialis.)

**Extensor Pollicis**  
 Brevis: post radius to base of prox phalanx  
 EX CMC + MCPJs.  
 Longus: med border of snuffbox  
 O: post ulna  
 I: distal phalanx  
 Extends all of thumb. (radial n.)

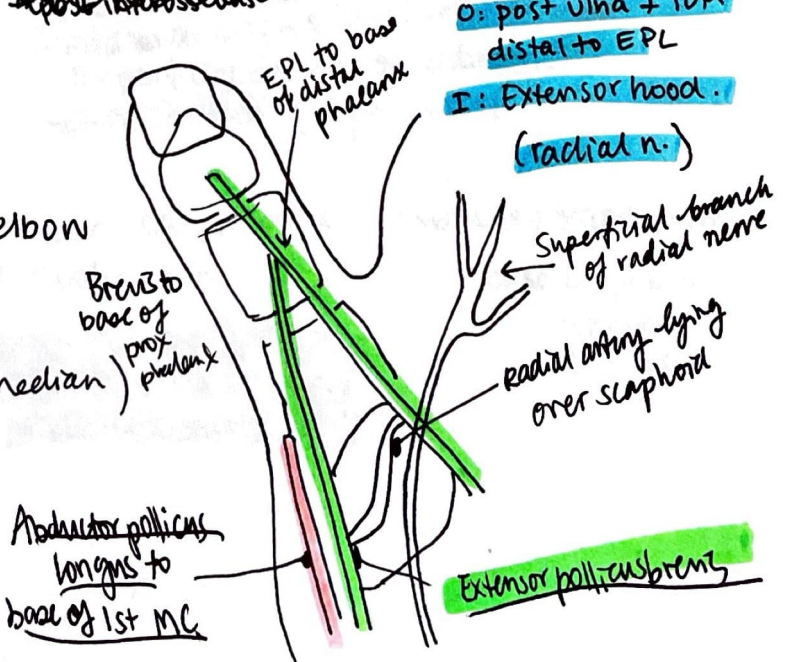
ORIGIN #1 lat epicondyle  
 ORIGIN #2 post surface of ulna



**Extensor Indicis**  
 O: post ulna + 1cm distal to EPL  
 I: Extensor hood. (radial n.)

### WRIST DROP

Radial nerve injury proximal to elbow  
 eg axilla / humeral shaft #  
 paralysis of extensors  
 wrist flexors unopposed (median)



Abductor pollicis longus to base of 1st MC

Extensor pollicis brevis

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The Cubital Fossa.

**BICEPS TENDON**

Passes through, attaches to radial tuberosity  
 just distal to radial neck.

**RADIA**

**BRACHIAL ARTERY**

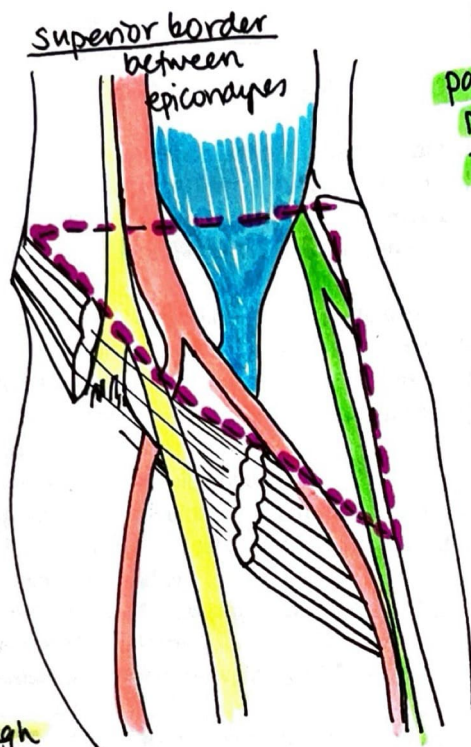
Bifurcates to radial & ulnar at the apex

divides @ radial neck.

medial border  
 lateral border of pronator teres

**MEDIAN NERVE**

Leaves cub fossa through the 2 heads of pronator teres



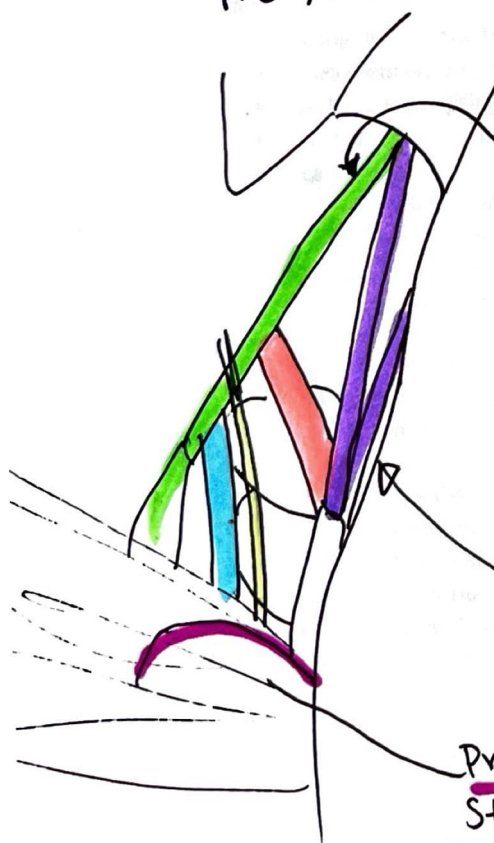
**RADIAL NERVE**

passes under brachioradialis.  
 Not always inside but nearby  
 Divides to deep + superficial branches.

Lateral border  
 medial border of brachioradialis

Roof: skin + fascia reinforced by the bicipital aponeurosis.  
 cubital vein in the roof

The Anatomical Snuffbox (Radial Fossa) — BREVIS SANDWICH



lateral Ulnar (medial) border  
 Extensor pollicus longus tendon

**Contents**

- Radial artery - crosses the floor
- Superficial branch of radial n.
- Cephalic vein (begins in roof)

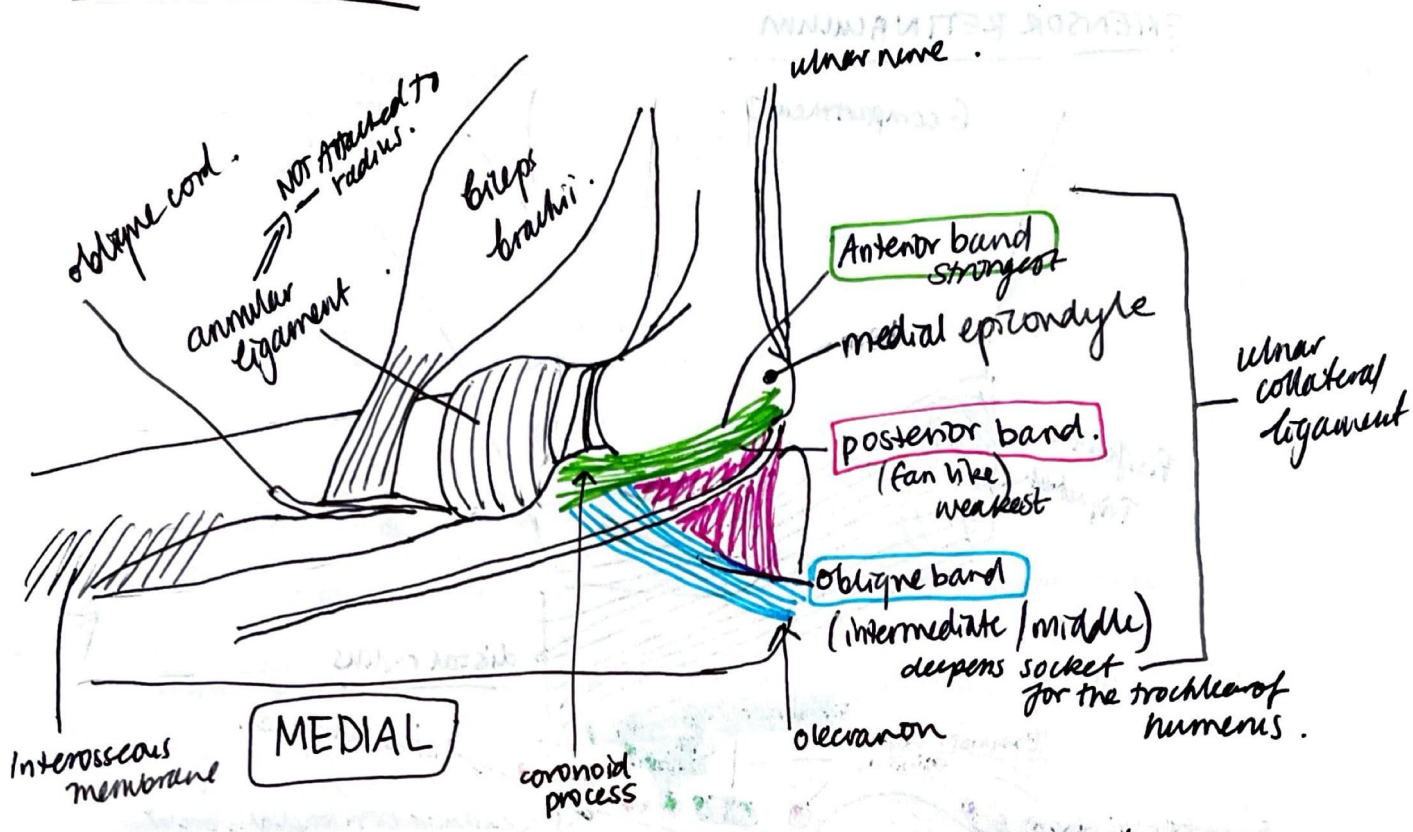
Floor - carpal bones; scaphoid + trapezium  
 Roof - skin.

Radial (lateral) border  
 Extensor pollicus brevis  
 + Abductor pollicis

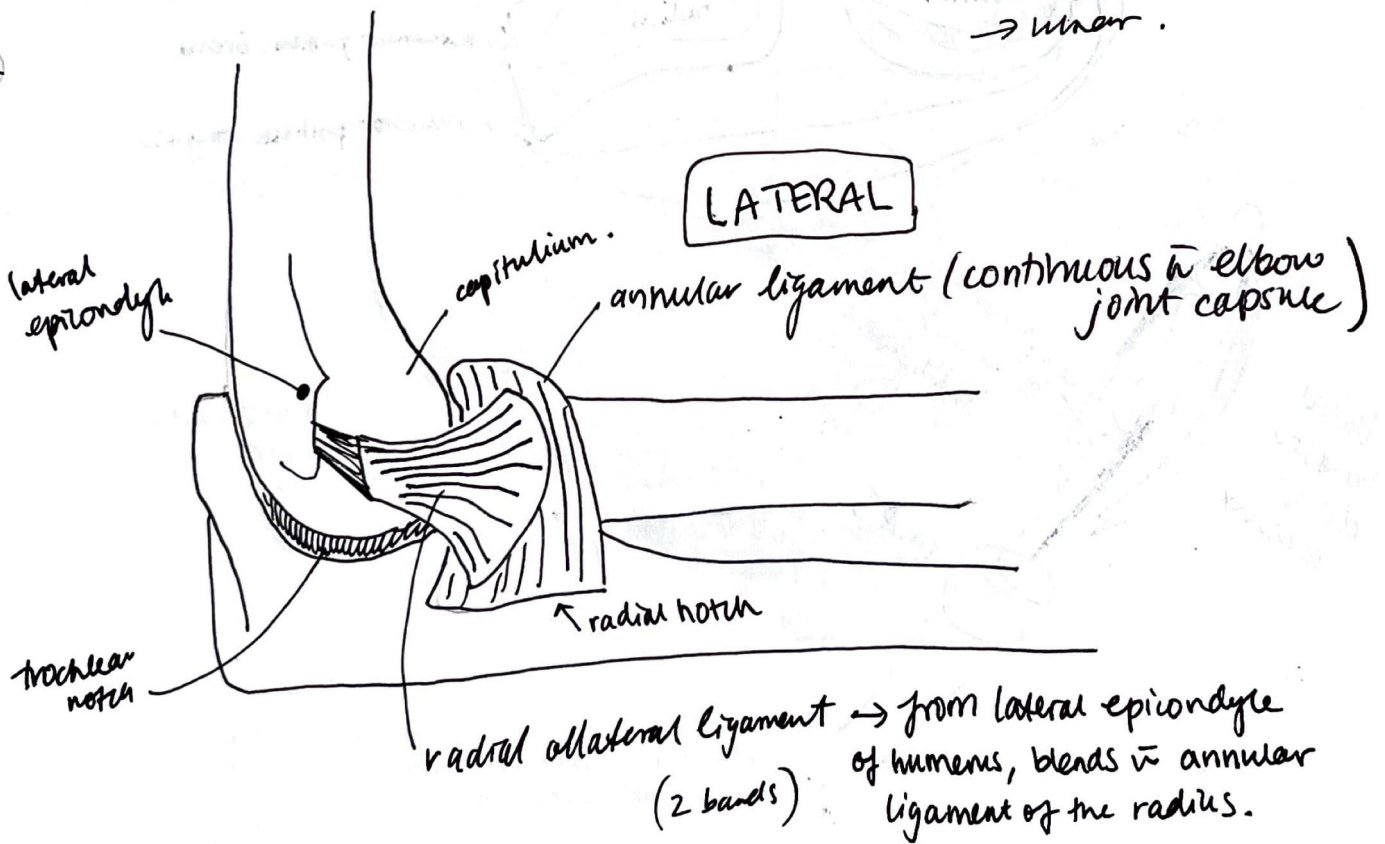
also palpable  
 - styloid  
 - base of 1st Mc.

Proximal border  
 Styloid process of radius

# ELBOW LIGAMENTS - MCL & LCL thickenings of joint capsule.



Nerves → MSK Cut  
 → radial  
 → ulnar.

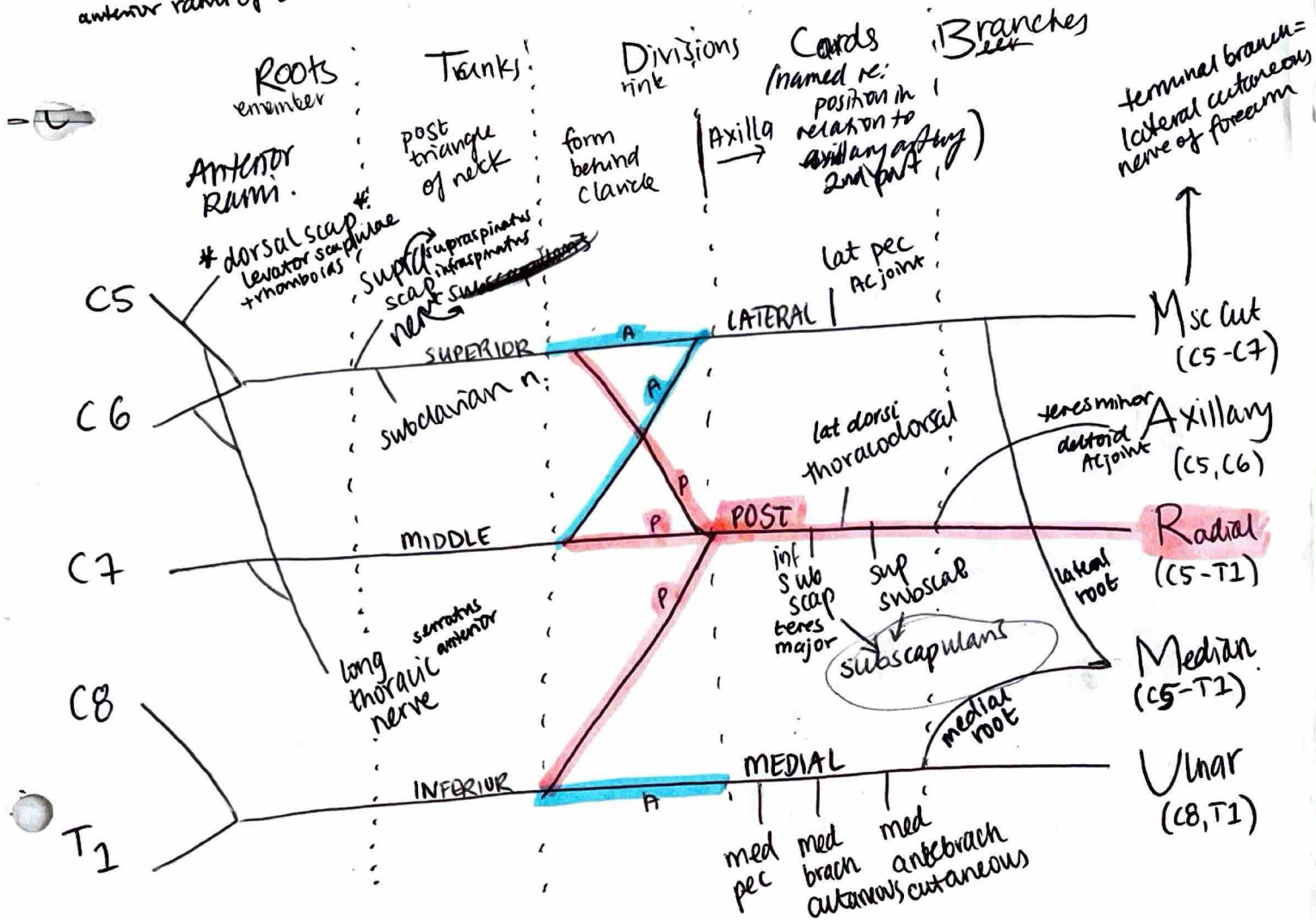


NB: capsule not attached to the radius or ulna.  
 Attached to the annular lig.

# \* Brachial Plexus \*

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NB cervical plexus is anterior rami of C1-C4

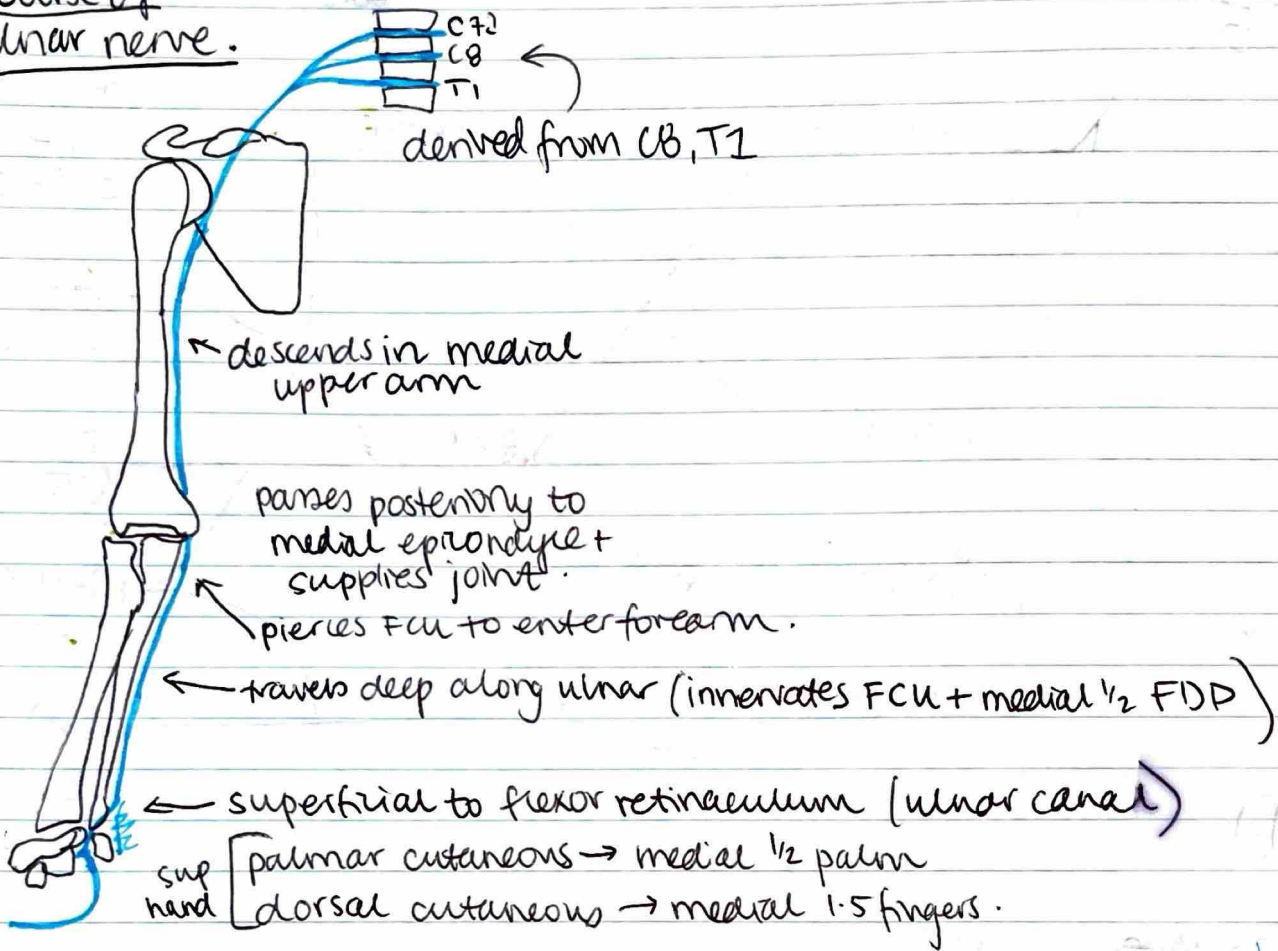


\* pec major is the only muscle that can test all roots (also can assist w/ respiration)

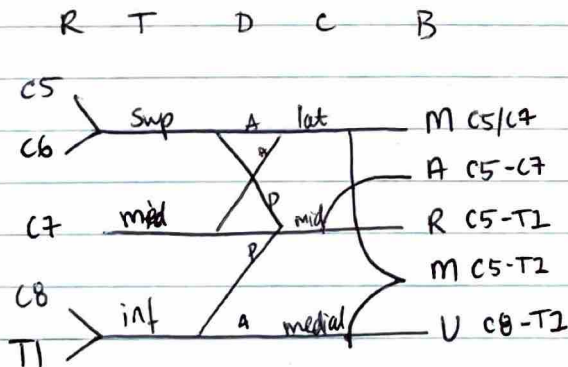
\* long thoracic nerve supplies serratus anterior

\* Radial nerve is largest branch, crosses lower border of axillary wall on tendon of lat dorsi.  
→ occupies the lower part of the radial groove.

Course of ulnar nerve.

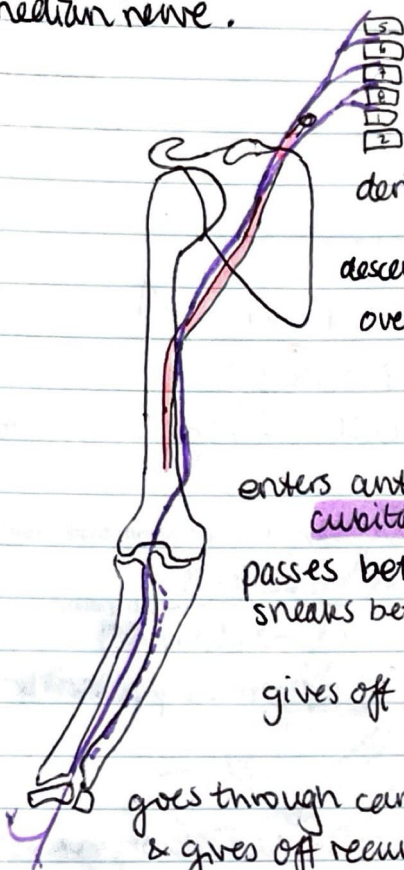


deep hand - most intrinsic hand muscles



Course of the median nerve.

Fibres from C5-T1



derived from medial + lateral cords

descends laterally to brachial artery then crosses over to descend medially

enters anterior compartment via cubital fossa.

passes between 2 heads of pronator teres  
sneaks between FDP and FDS

- innervates
- pronator teres
  - FCR
  - Palmaris longus
  - FPL
  - FDP (lateral)
  - FDS

gives off anterior interosseus & palmar cutaneous

↳ passes b/w FDP + FPL, deep to pronator quadratus.

goes through carpal tunnel b/w tendons of FDS & FCR  
& gives off recurrent branch (thenar muscles)  
& digital branches (2 + 3 lumbricals)

VIVA Q: what structures are supplied by median nerve? 8 to pass

Articular branches to elbow joint

Muscular branches to PT, FCR, PL, FDS.

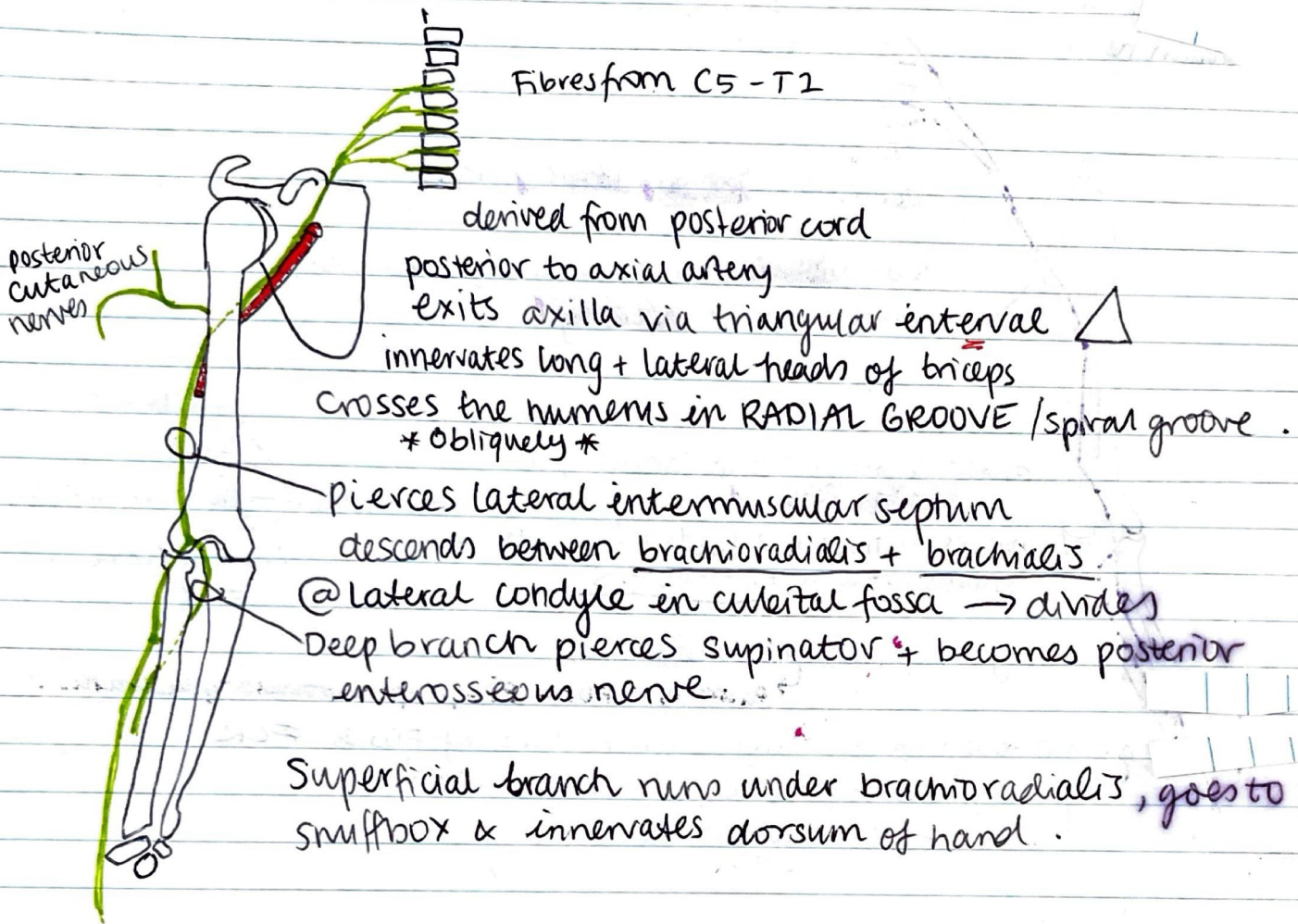
Anterior interosseus nerve supplies Pronator Quad, FPL, half of FDP,  
Articular branches to wrist joint.

Palmar cutaneous branch to skin of lateral palm

Recurrent branch to thenar muscles → APB, OP, FPB.

Palmar digital branches to lumbricals 1 & 2 + cutaneous supply

## Course of the radial nerve



**Axillary nerve** - comes off the posterior cord as the other terminal division.

supplies the glenohumeral joint, deltoid, teres minor.  
Sensory to skin patch over inferior aspect of deltoid.

**VIVA** - major branches / supply in the arm of radial nerve.

Triceps - long, lat, medial heads.

post cutaneous

Anconeus

lat cutaneous n. of arm

Brachioradialis

Ext carpi radialis longus

lateral brachialis

Elbow joint.

Post IO nerve  $\rightarrow$  ECRB, supinator, ED/EDM, ECU, APL, EPL, EPB.

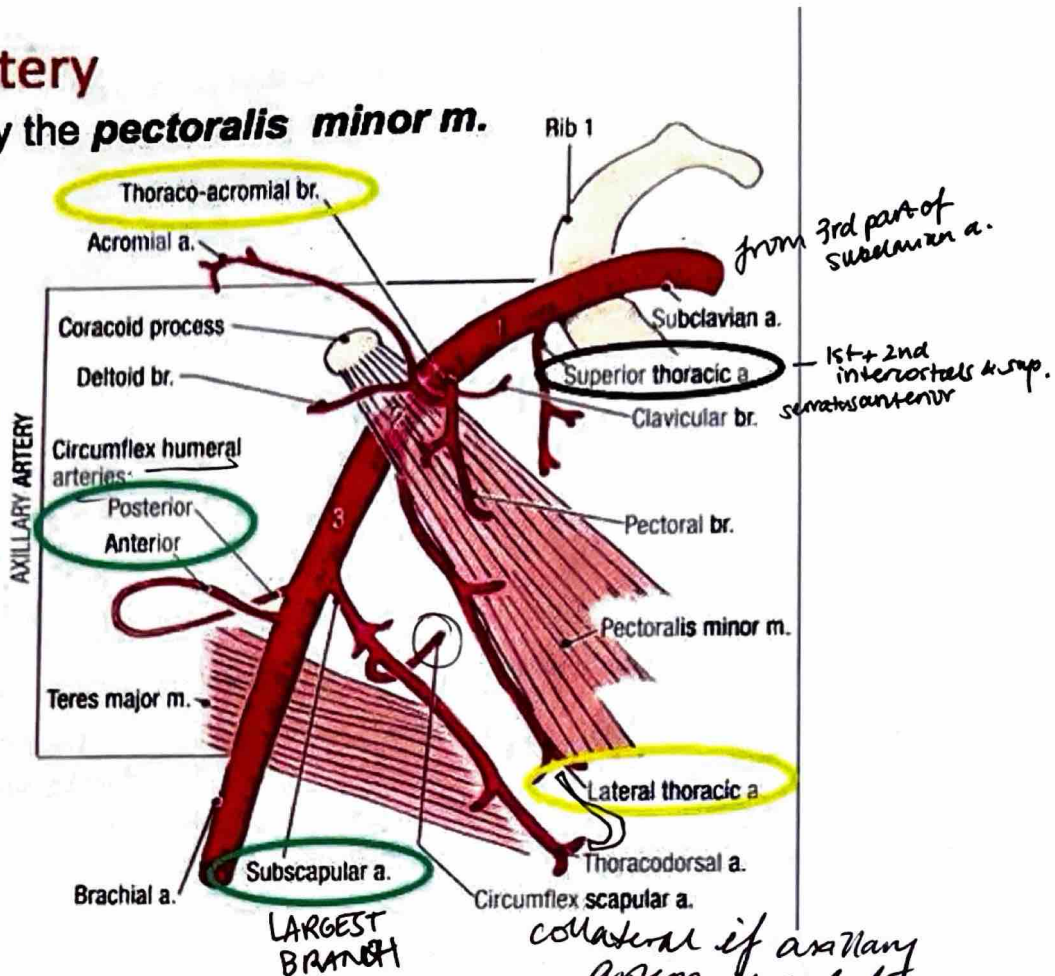
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# Axilla: Axillary Artery

3 segments, defined by the **pectoralis minor m.**

- **1<sup>st</sup> segment = 1 branch:**
  - superior thoracic a.  
*(supplies 1<sup>st</sup> 2 intercostal spaces)*
- **2<sup>nd</sup> segment = 2 branches:**
  - thoracoacromial a.
  - lateral thoracic a.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> segment = 3 branches:**
  - subscapular a.
    - circumflex scapular a
    - thoracodorsal a.
  - post. humeral circumflex a.
  - ant. humeral circumflex a.



• Lies laterally to the axillary vein.

follows lateral border of scapula & anastomoses with lateral thoracic & intercostal arteries + DORSAL SCAPULA A