



COLLES' FRACTURE

- This is a fracture of the distal end of the radius, at its bony-cancellous junction (about 2 cm from the distal articular surface), in adults, with typical displacement
- It is the commonest fracture in people above forty years of age, and is particularly common in women because of post-menopausal osteoporosis. It nearly always results from a fall on an out-stretched hand.

Colles' Fracture (Outward)



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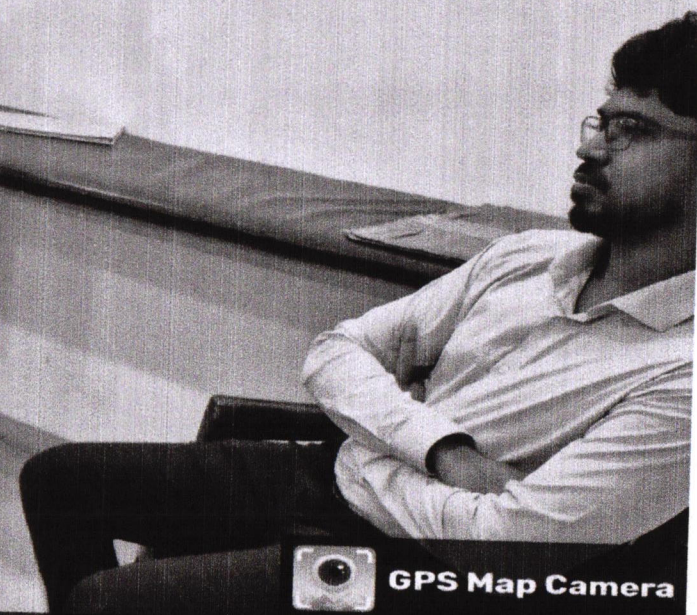
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RELEVANT ANATOMY

The distal end of the radius articulates with the carpal bones (radio-carpal joint), and the distal end of the ulna (radio-ulnar joint).
 Normally, the distal articular surface of the radius faces ventrally and medially.
 The tip of the radial styloid is about 1 cm distal to the tip of the ulnar styloid.

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