Osteoarthritis of the Hand and Wrist

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Fingers

Age over 65
Women > Men
Mainly DIPJ and PIPJ
Primary rarely affects MCPJ



Usually Primary
Hereditary
Secondary - Trauma

Infection (fight bite)

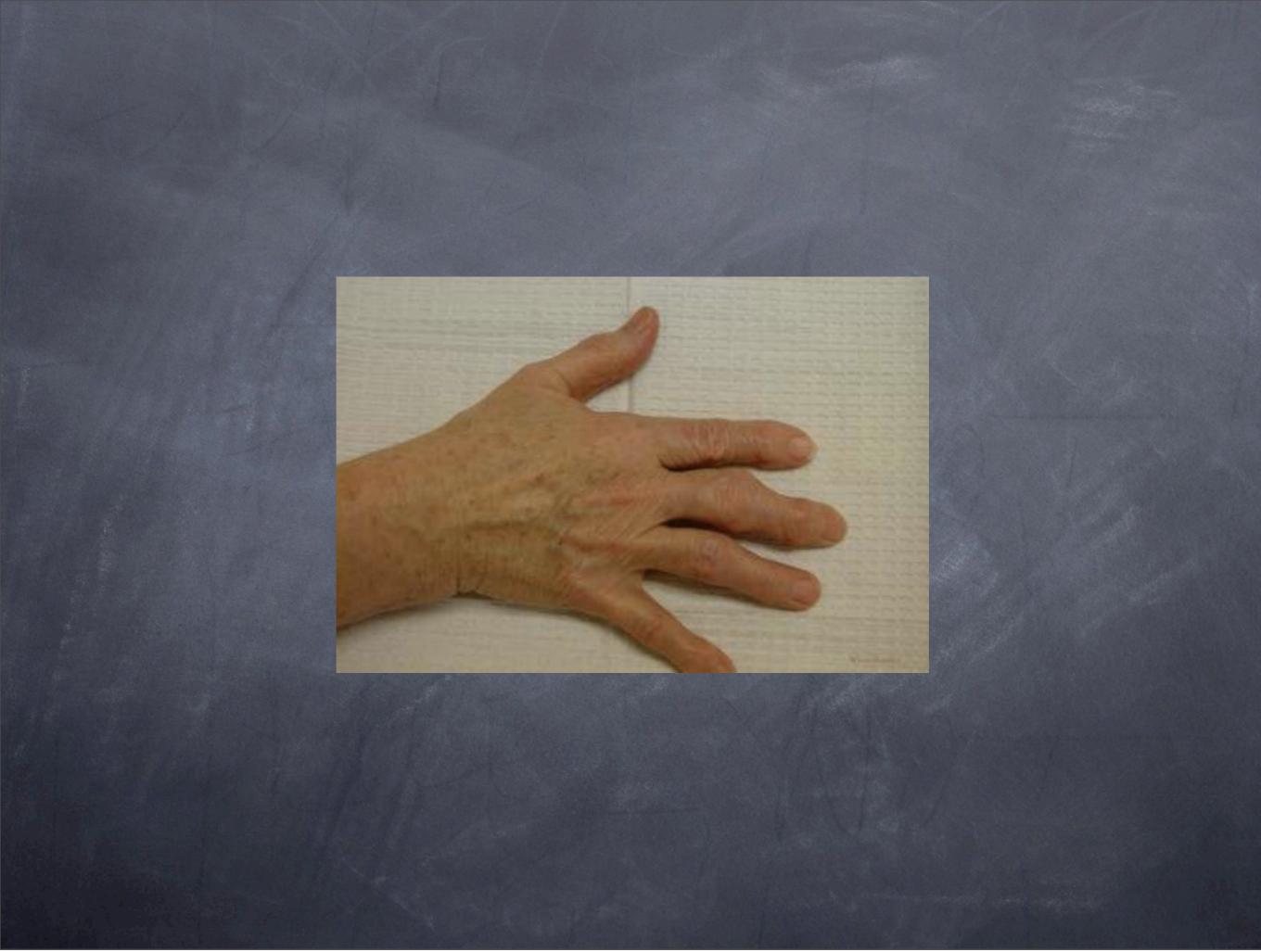
Symptoms

Stiffness, reduced movement
Pain (usually not severe)
Deformity
Weakness, functional impairment
Mucoid cysts

Signs

Deformity
Heberden's & Bouchard nodes
Mucoid cysts
Tenderness
Reduced ROM







The Thumb

Mainly CMCJ
MCPJ – primary
UCL injury

Thumb Base OA

Common after 60
Not always symptomatic
Associated with Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

Presentation

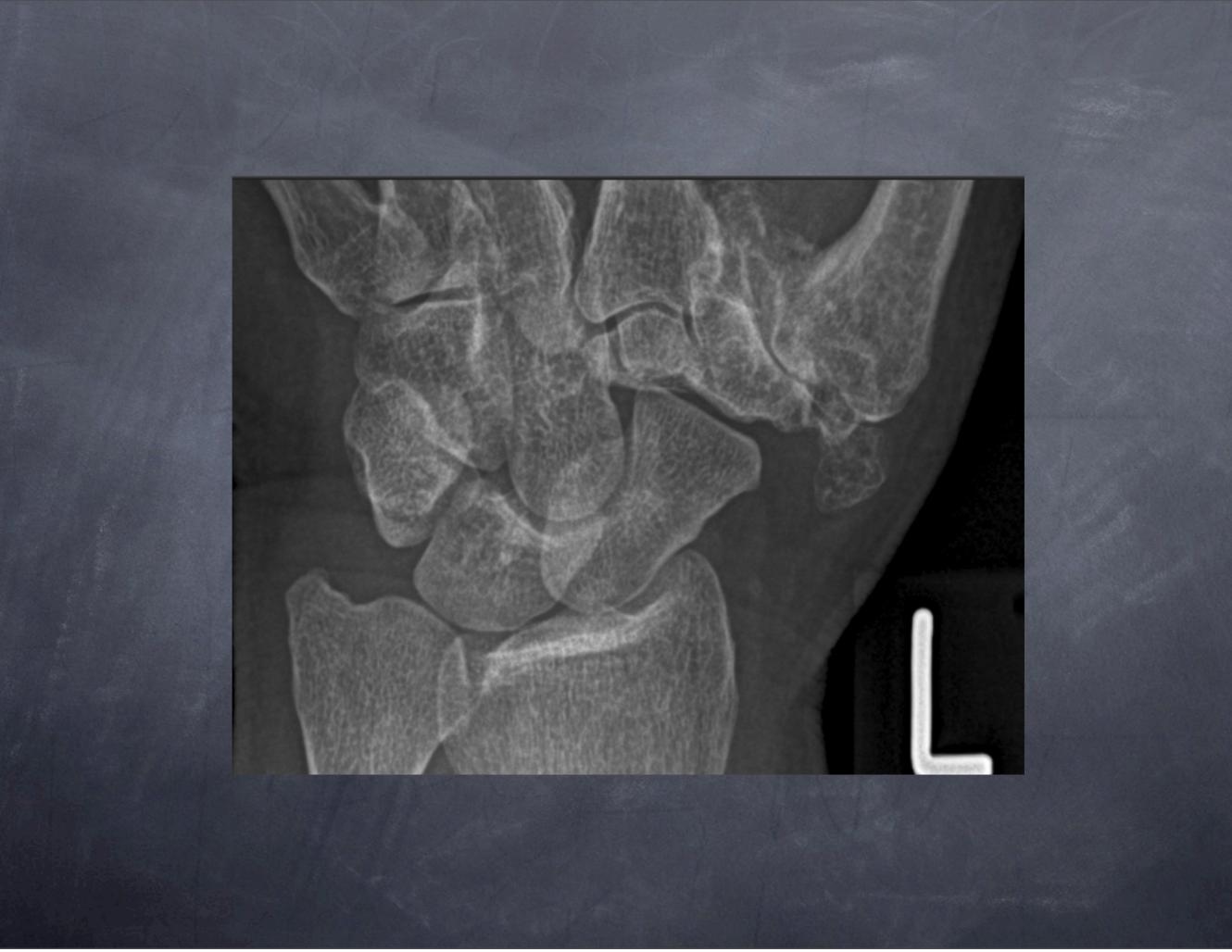
Pain (note: night pain may be CTS)
Deformity
Weakness (grip)
Lack of dexterity

Signs

Prominent thumb base
Square palm
MCPJ Hyperextension



Eaton - Littler
XRay severity vs Symptoms





Wrist

Usually post traumatic
May not recall injury
AVN
Abnormal movement of proximal row
DRUJ



SNAC
SLAC
STT
DRUJ

Proximal Carpal Row During Wrist Motion

Flexion & Dorsiflexion

Scaphoid rotates on its axis

Radial deviation - Scaphoid flexes
Ulnar deviation - Scaphoid extends
Lunate & ligaments act between scaphoid and triquetrum

Advanced Collapse

Chronic abnormal movement = eccentric wear
Loss of cartilage results in arthritis = pain
Loss of carpal height accelerates = collapse
Pattern predictable depending on cause

SLAC

Abnormal scaphoid movement
Capitate migrates proximally
1. Tip of radial styloid / distal scaphoid
2. Rest of radioscaphoid joint
3. Capitolunate







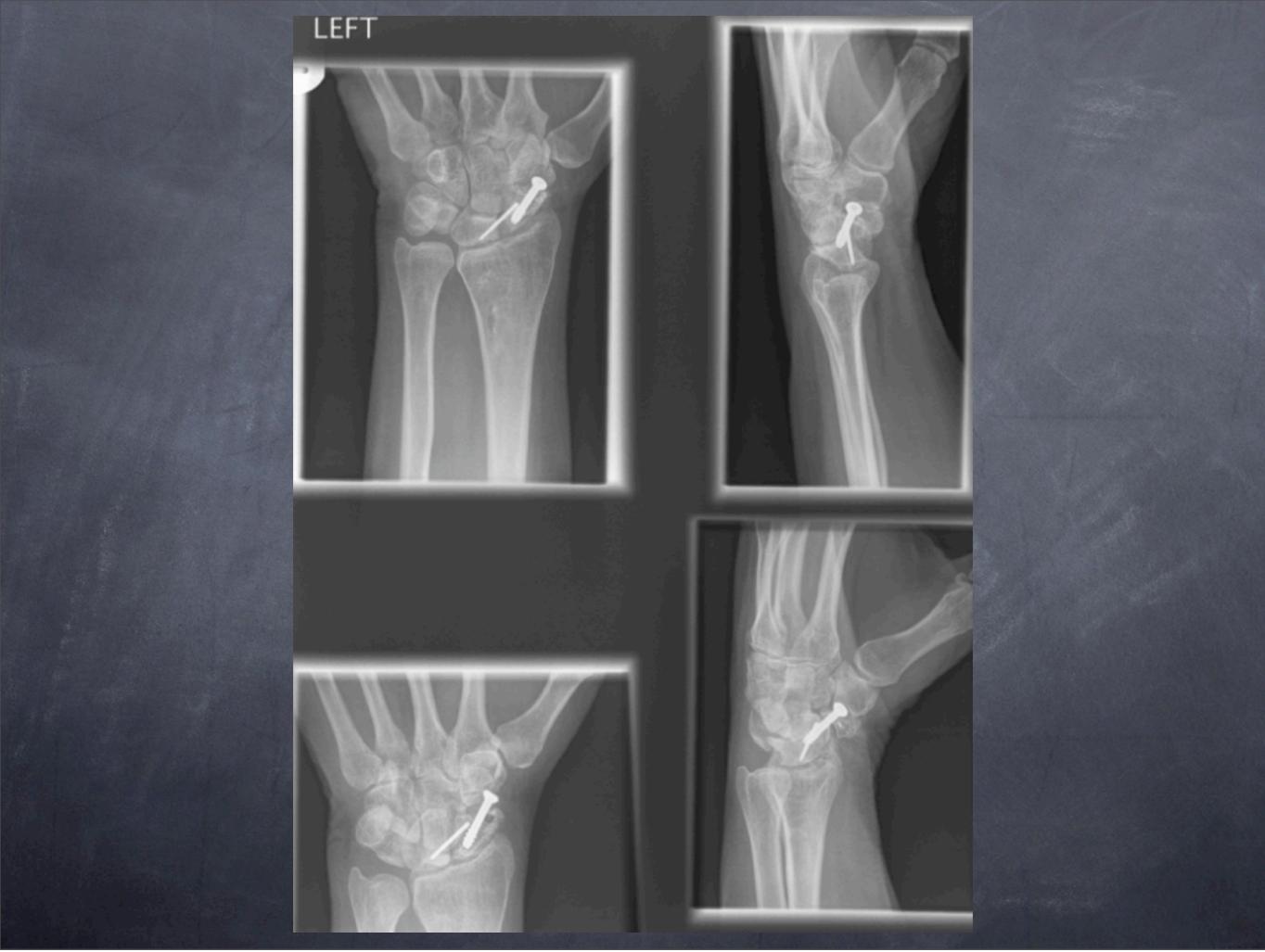
SNAC

Abnormal movement of distal scaphoid
No gap for capitate migration
Rest of radioscaphoid joint spared









Kienböcks

Avascular necrosis of Lunate
4 Stages - 4 = secondary arthritis
Reduced carpal height











DRUJ

3 Morphological Types
Primary
Trauma (neglected)

