History

 23-year-old male with right medial knee pain for the past 3-4 weeks. The patient volunteers as a wrestling coach and two kids ran into his knee from the medial side 3 to 4 weeks ago. Now his knee is giving way and he has pain.







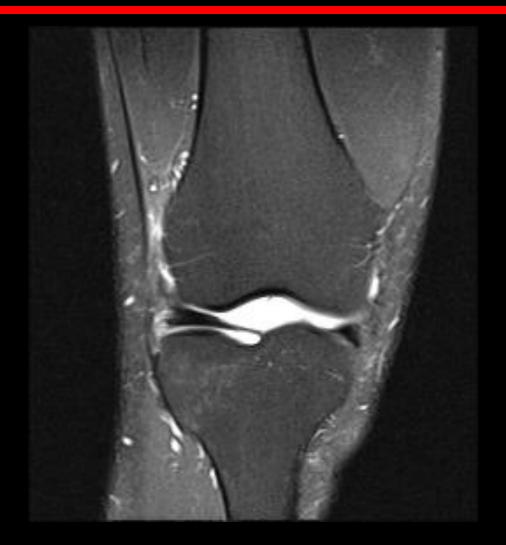


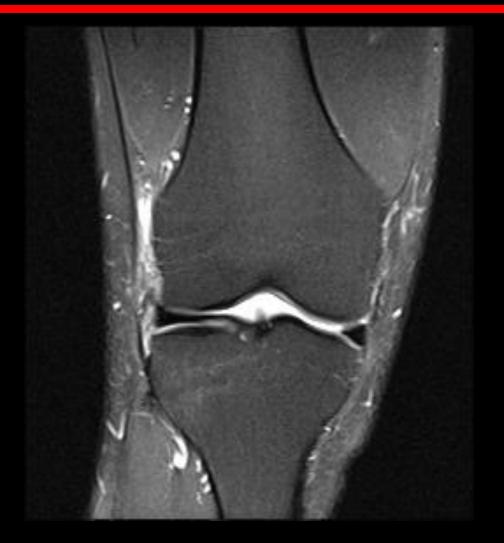


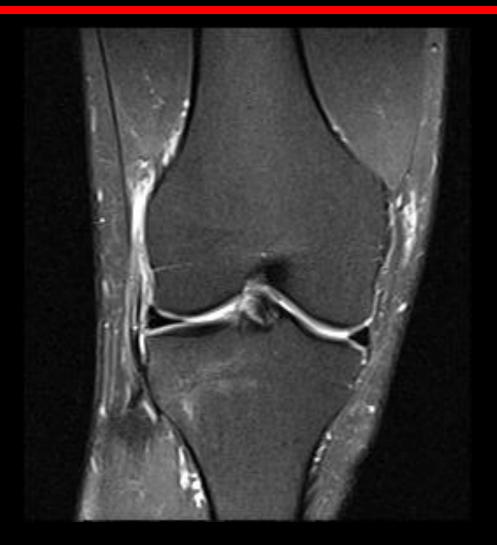












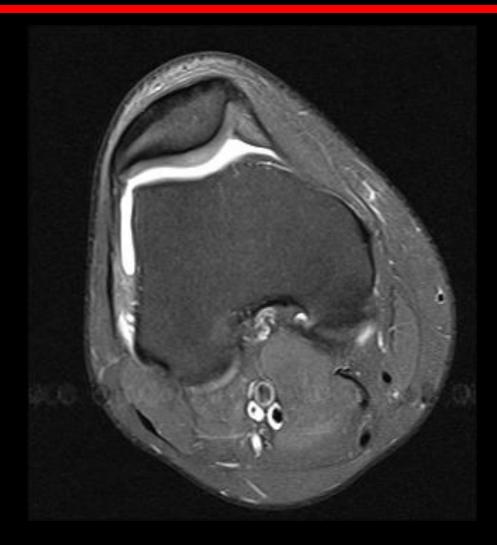


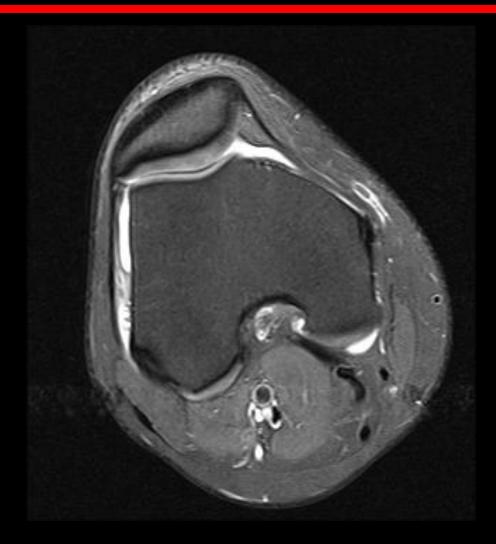


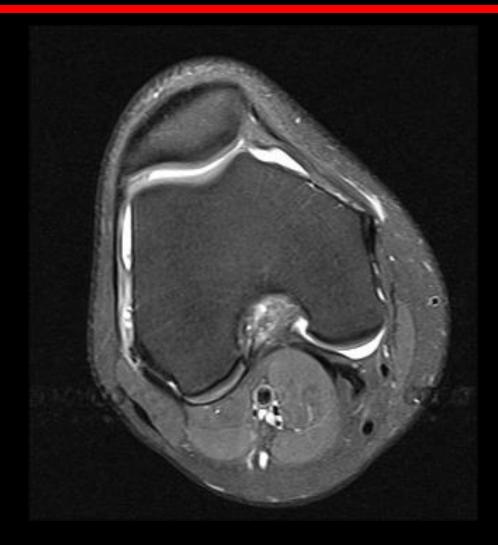


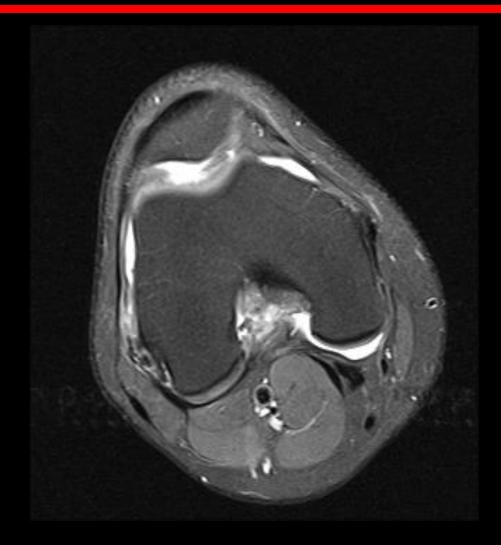


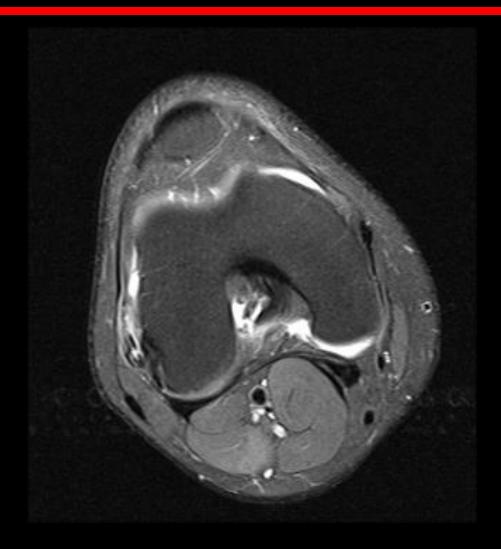


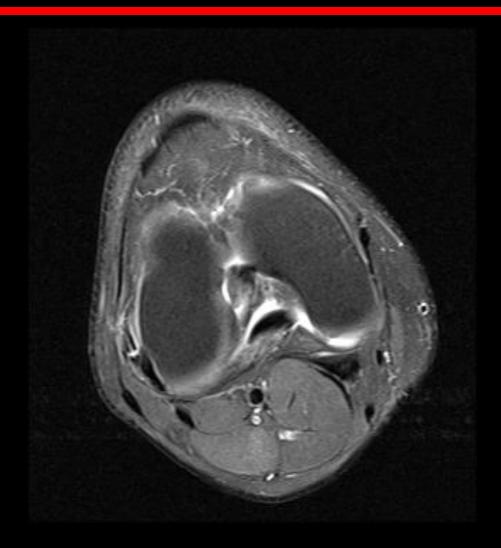


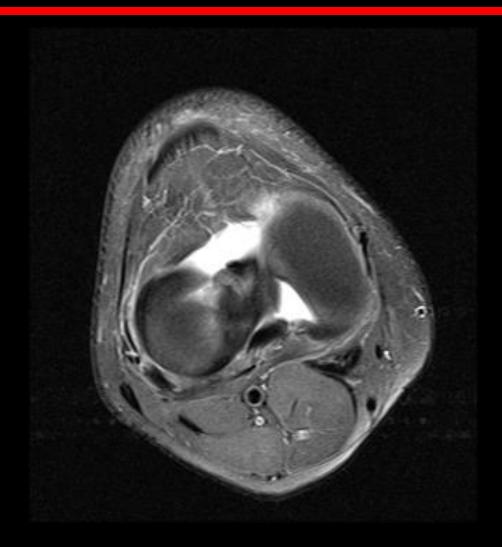


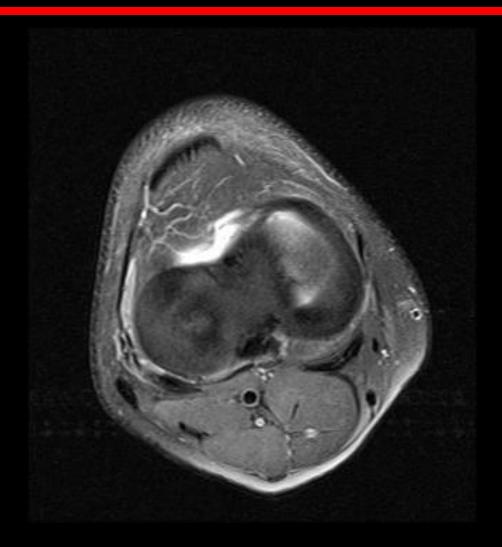


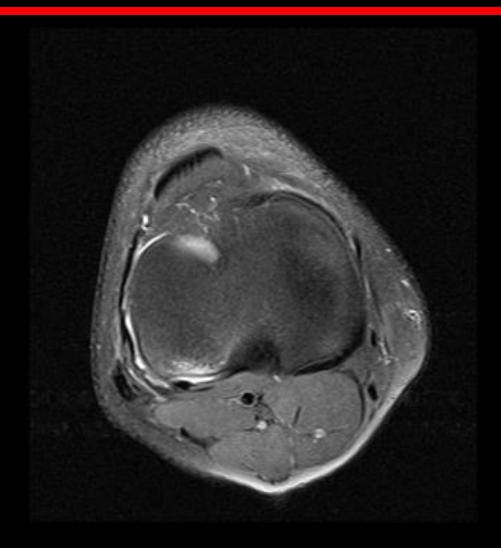


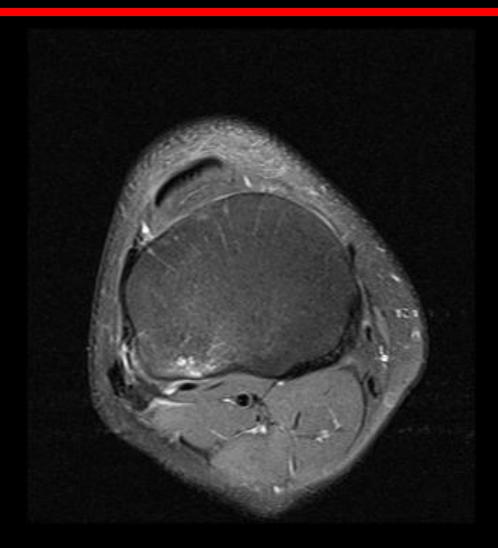


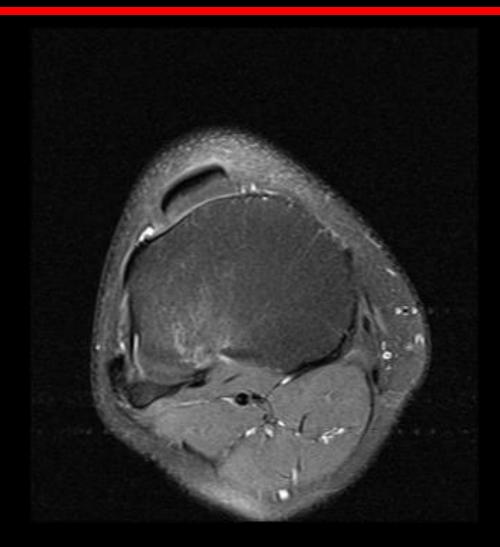


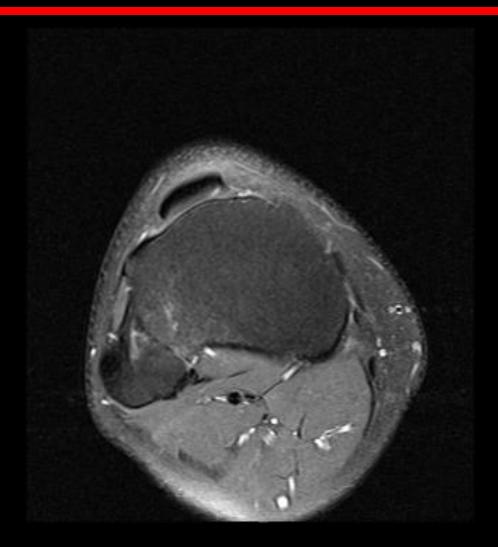




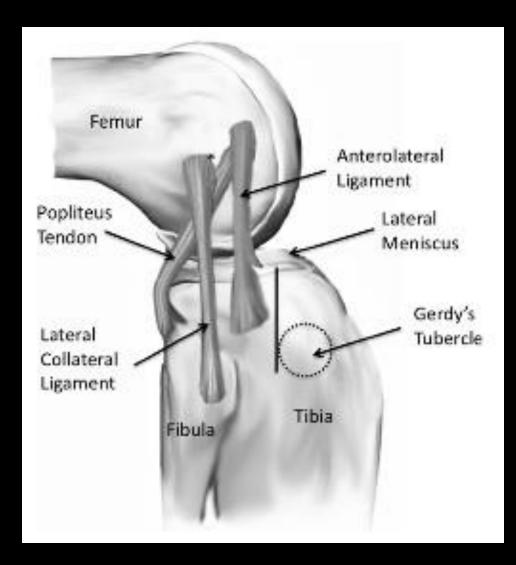








- Origin
 - Near or on the popliteus insertion
- Insertion
 - Lateral meniscus and tibial plateau
 - 5 mm distal to the articular surface
 - Posterior to Gerdy's Tubercle



- Average width
 - 8.2 +/- 1.5 mm
- Average length
 <u>34.1 +/- 3.4 mm</u>

 May play a role in preventing anterior tibial translation

 Role in meniscal stability and the pathology of meniscal tears remains unclear

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