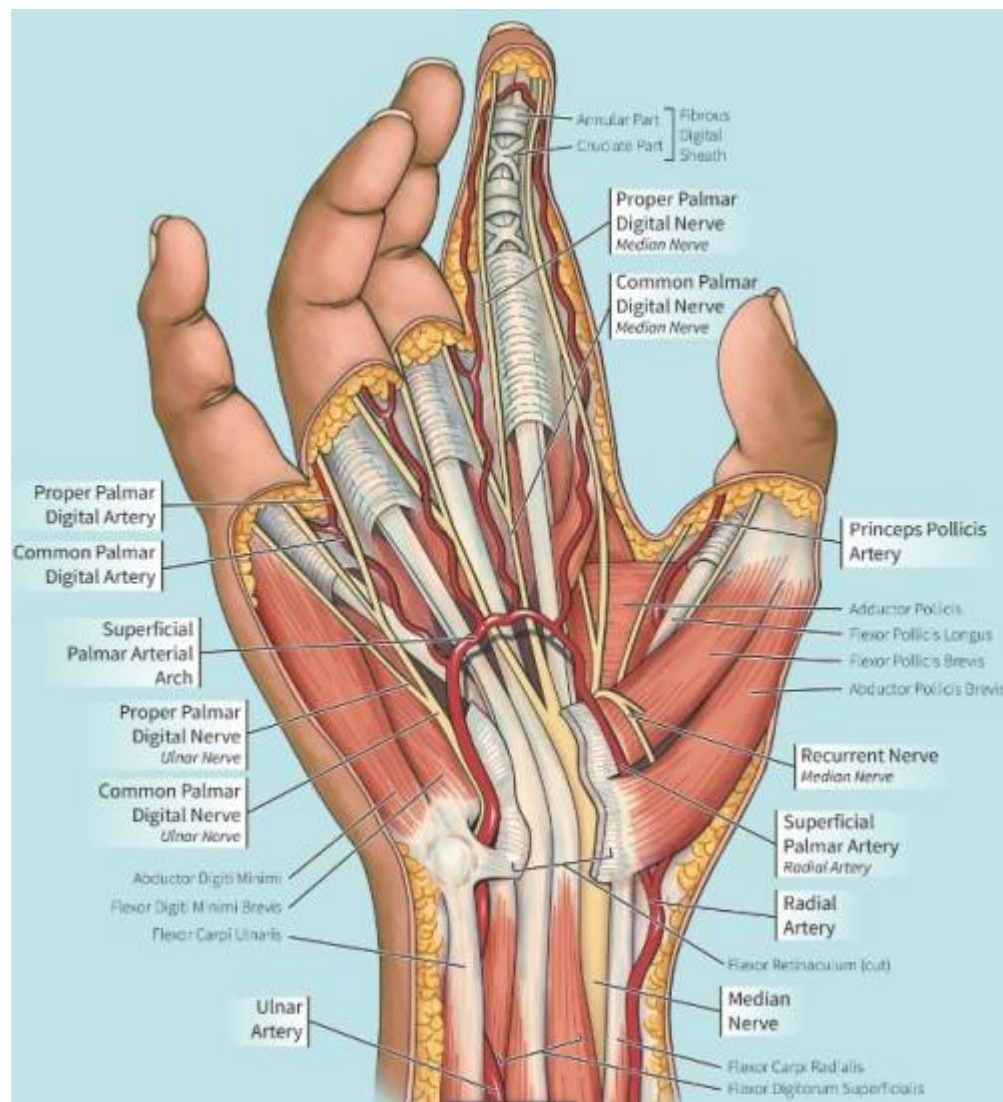


The first part of the **abductor** pollicis muscle is a deep part which originates from the **ulna**, **interosseous membrane**, and **radius** and is covered by Extensor Digitorum Longus. It has numerous subdivisions of the belly (all arranged in a parallel fashion) which terminates in a central **tendon**. The fibers of the first part are short, obliquely attached to a tendon in a pennate fashion. After its passage through the first compartment of the extensor retinaculum, the deep tendon separates into several branches and is ultimately inserted into the **trapezium**, **abductor pollicis brevis**, opponens pollicis, capsule, and anterior oblique ligament.



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