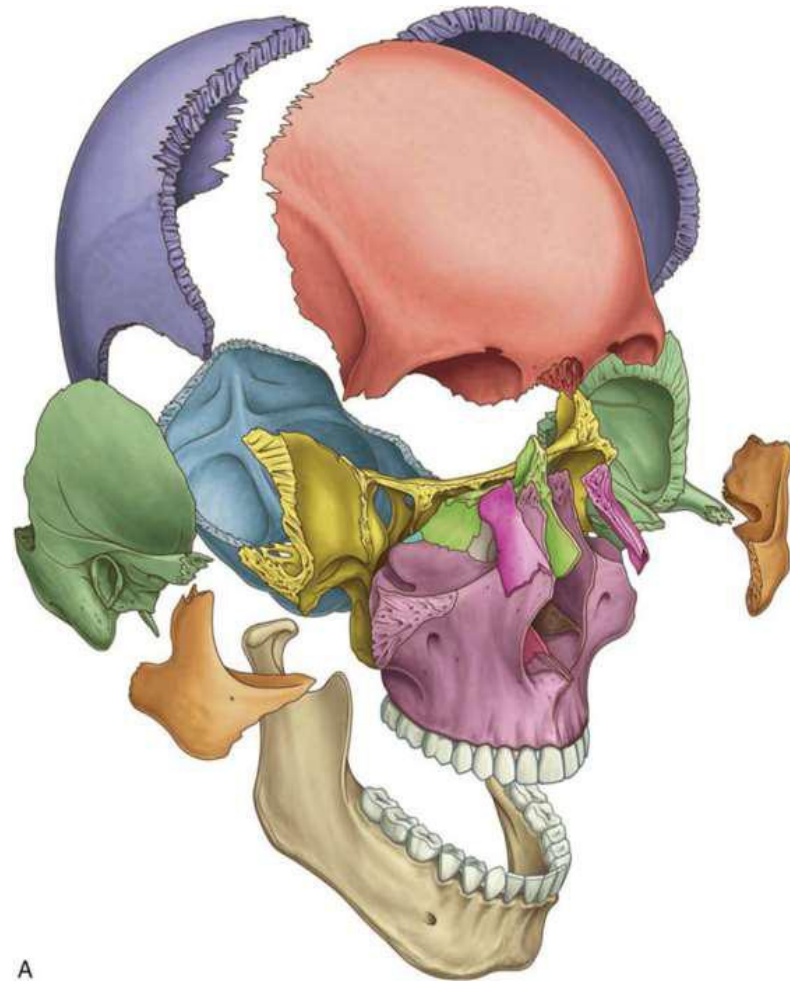


Bones of Skull



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Osteology of the skull

Learning goals / general

**** Demonstrate sufficient knowledge of bone identification and morphology**

Including landmarks and features

****Apply their foundational knowledge in anthropological and medical investigations using the human skeleton**

**** Engage in real-world problems where skeletal identification is used**

Learning objectives :

- **At the end of these lectures the student should be able to know:**
- **Parts of skeleton (axial and appendicular)**
- **Parts of skull**
- **Sutures of skull**
- **Different bones of skull**
- **Different views (Norma) of skull**
- **Interior of the skull**
- **Divisions of the cranial fossa**
- **Anterior cranial fossa , middle and posterior .**
- **Foramens and structures passing through them**
- **Mandible**
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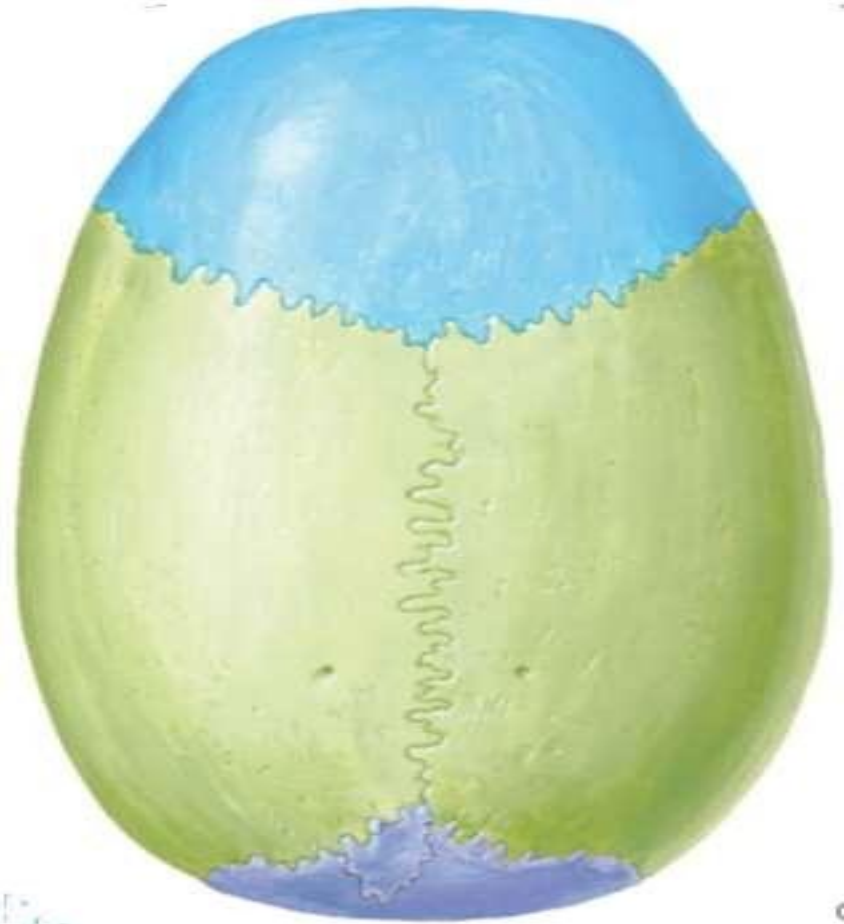
Skull osteology

Contents

- **External Features:**
- **Views**
 - Anterior View (Frontal)
 - Lateral View
 - Posterior View (Occipital
 - Superior View
 - Inferior View
- **Internal Features**
 - Cranial Cavity
 - Anterior
 - Middle
 - Posterior
- **Mandible**

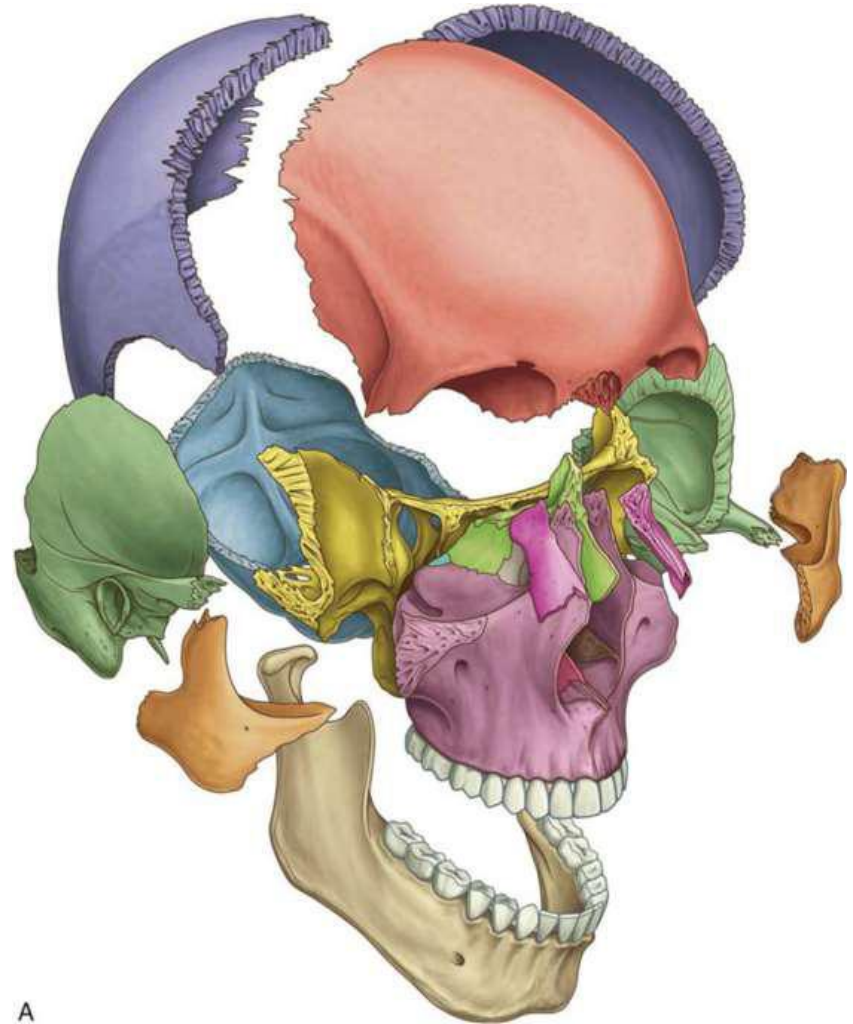
Skull

- It is composed of several separate bones united by **immobile** joints called **sutures**, the connective tissue between the bones is called **sutural ligaments** the exception is the **mandible** which is united to the skull by mobile temporomandibular joints(**TMJ**).



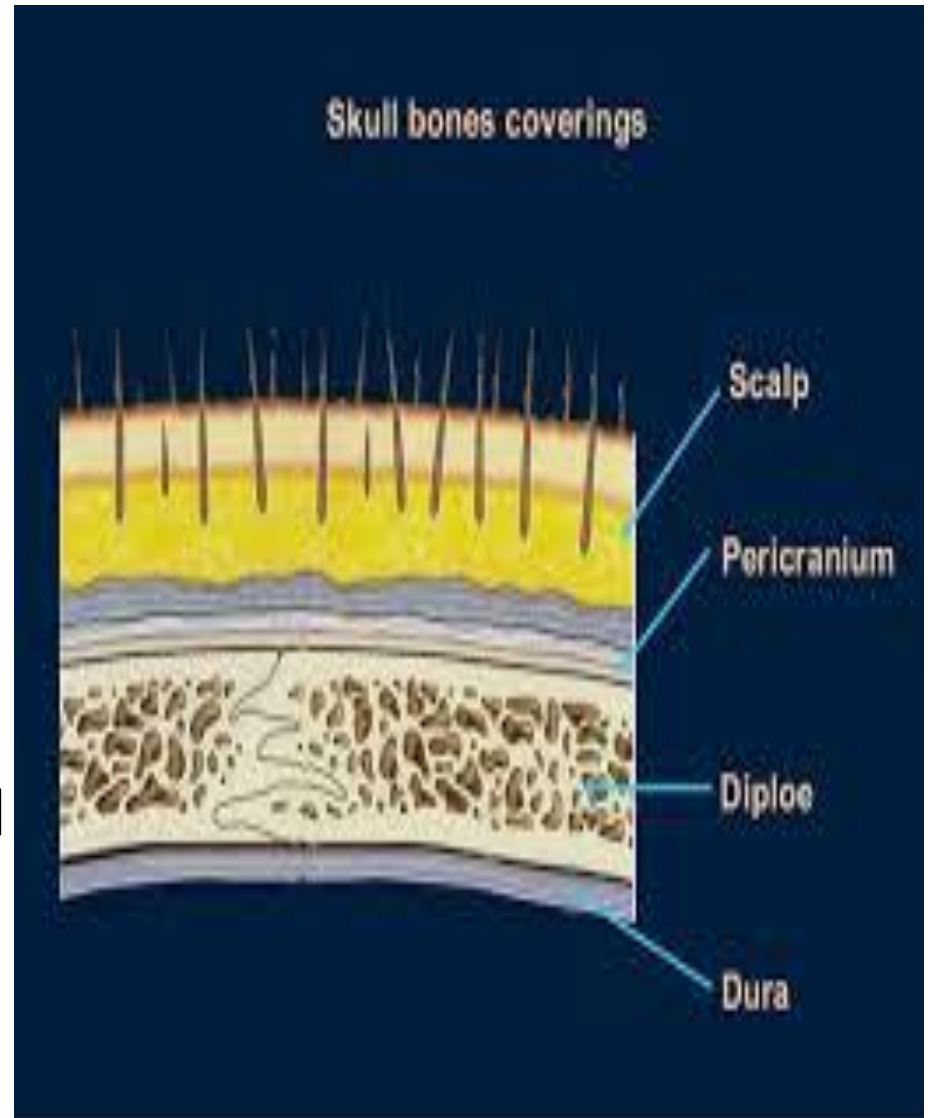
skull

- The skull can be divided into:
- 1. **Brain box** ,which encloses the brain
- 2. Bones of the **face** and **mandible**
- 3. The upper part of the cranium is called **vault**
- 4. The lowest part of the skull is the **base** of the skull.

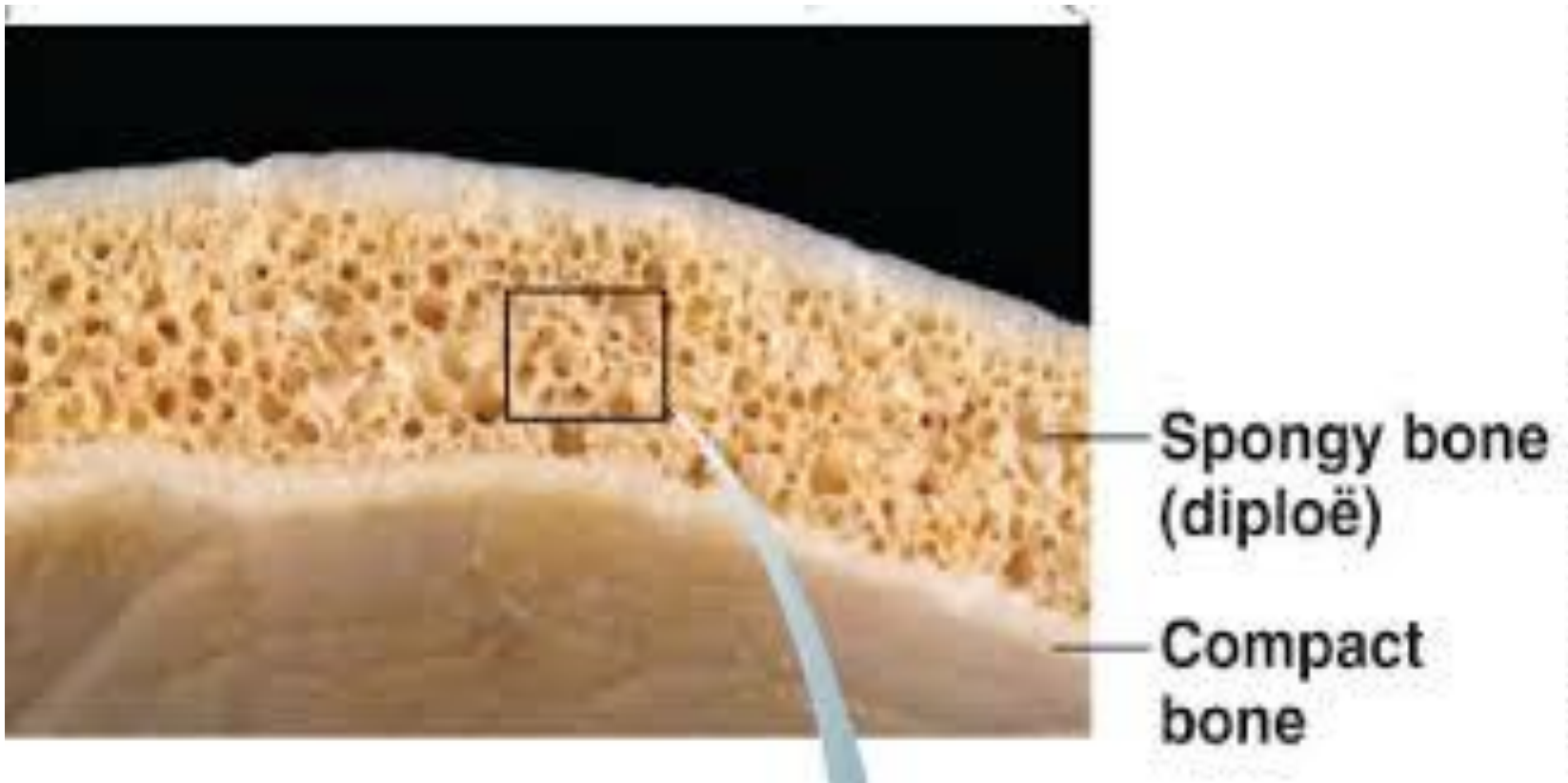


Bones of skull

- Each **bone** is made up of **external** and **internal** tables of **compact bone** separated by a layer of **spongy bone** called **diploe**.
- the internal table is thinner and more brittle than external table ,
- Bones of skull are covered with **periosteum**

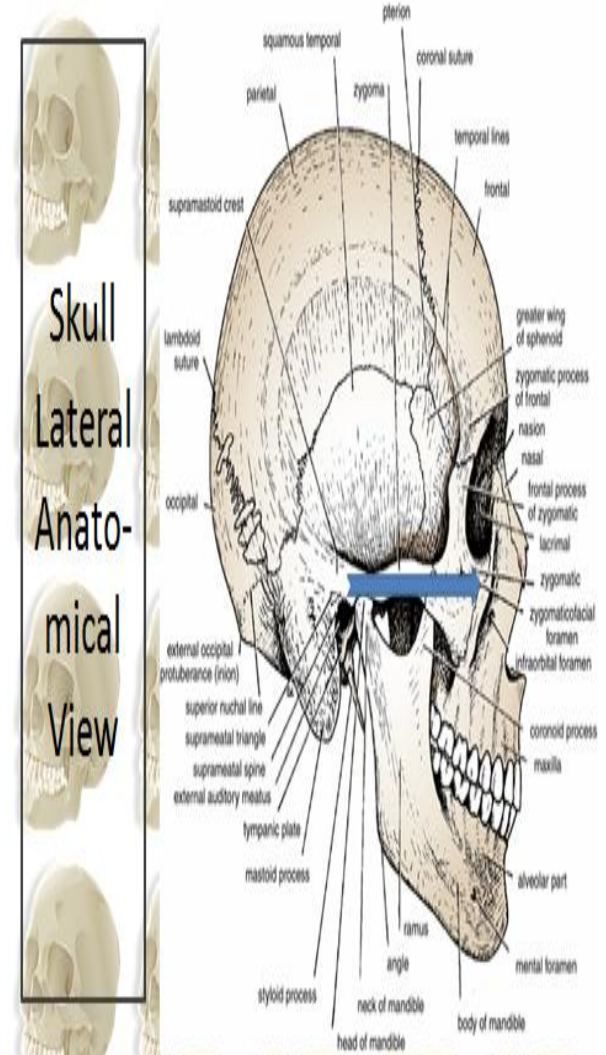


Diploe



Normal anatomical position

- Orbitomeatal plane = **Frankfort horizontal plane**
: is a standard craniometric reference, oriented as
- The inferior margin of the orbit and the superior margin of the external acoustic opening of both sides lie in the same horizontal plane



Parts of skull

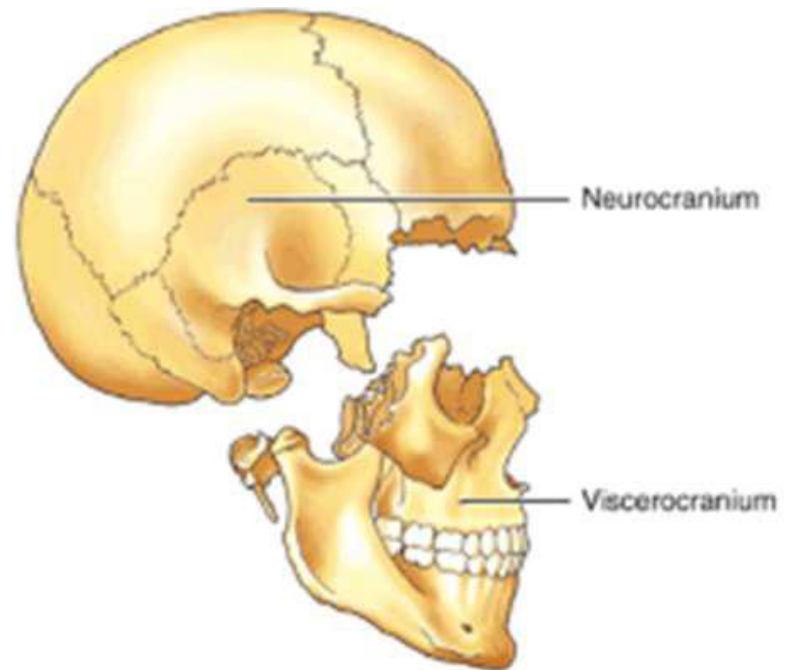
- The cranium has 22 bones forming two parts:

- **Neurocranium**

- Roof or Cranial **Vault**, dome-like, **calvaria** (skullcap)

- **Floor** or cranial base (basicranium).

- **Viscerocranium**



Neurocranium



Viscerocranium



Neurocranium

Calvaria

basocranium

1. Calvaria



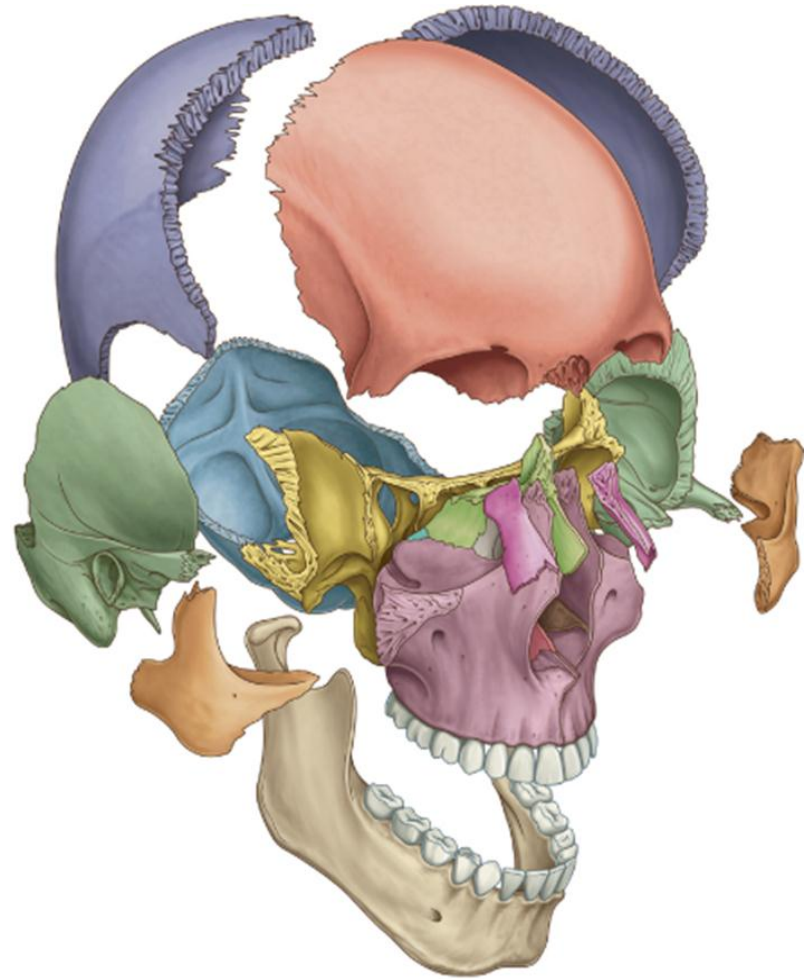
2. Basicranium



Neurocranium

➤ Features:

- – The bony case of the brain
- – has membranous coverings as cranial meninges.
- – It also contains proximal parts of the cranial nerves
- The vasculature of the brain.



Neurocranium

in adults is formed by a series of **eight** bones:

➤ – **4 singular bones**
centered on the **midline**

➤ **Unpaired:**

➤ Frontal 1

➤ Occipital 1

➤ Sphenoid 1

➤ Ethmoid 1

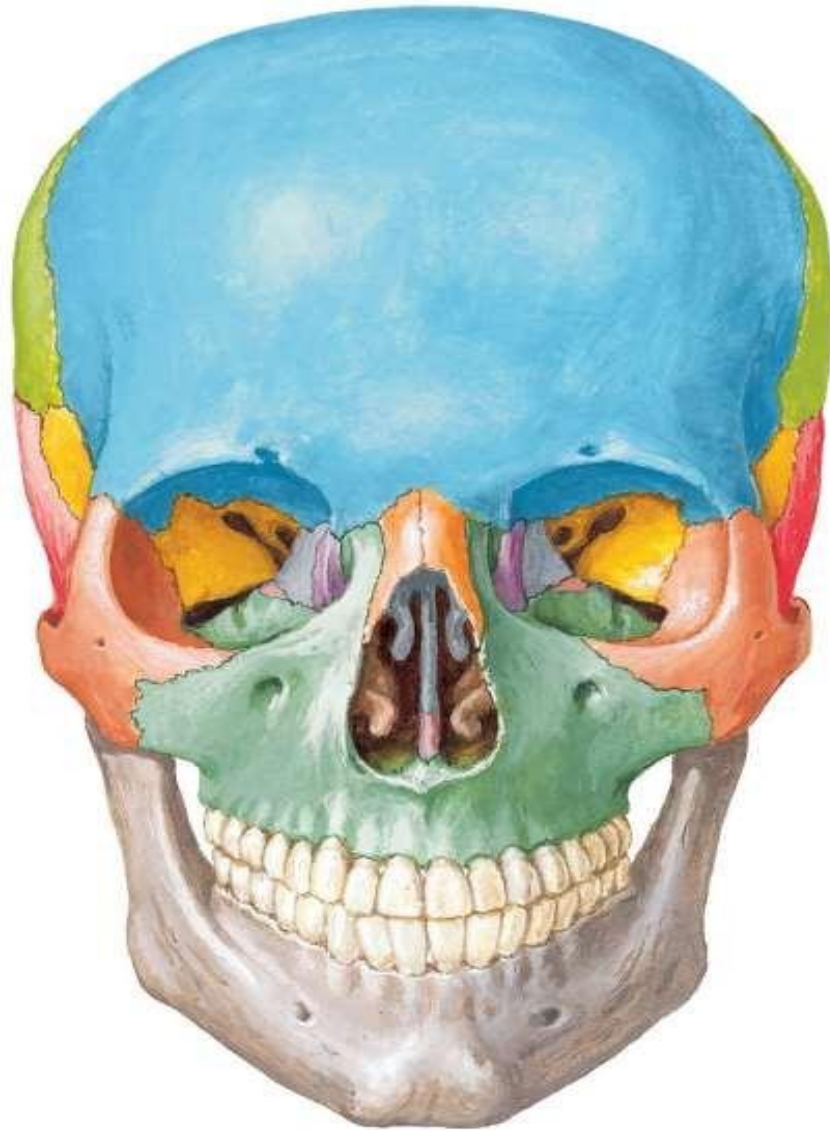
➤ **2 sets of bones**
occurring as **bilateral**
pairs

➤ **Paired:**

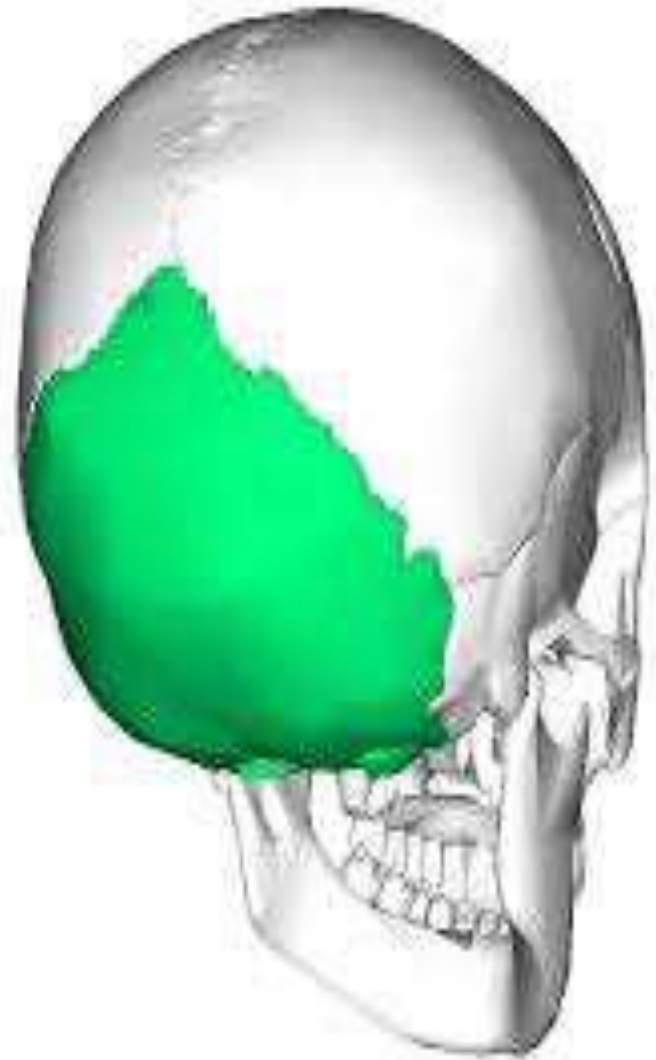
➤ Parietal 2

➤ Temporal 2

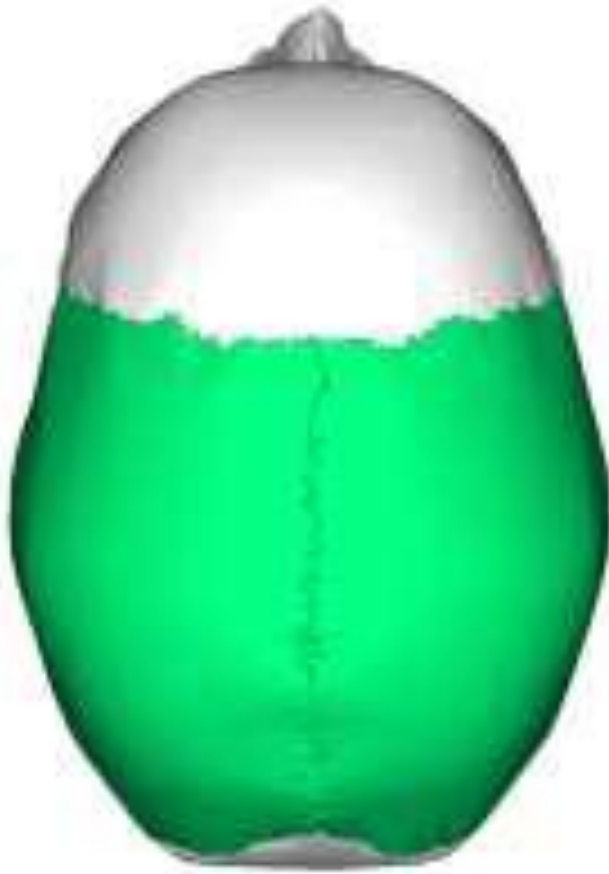
Frontal



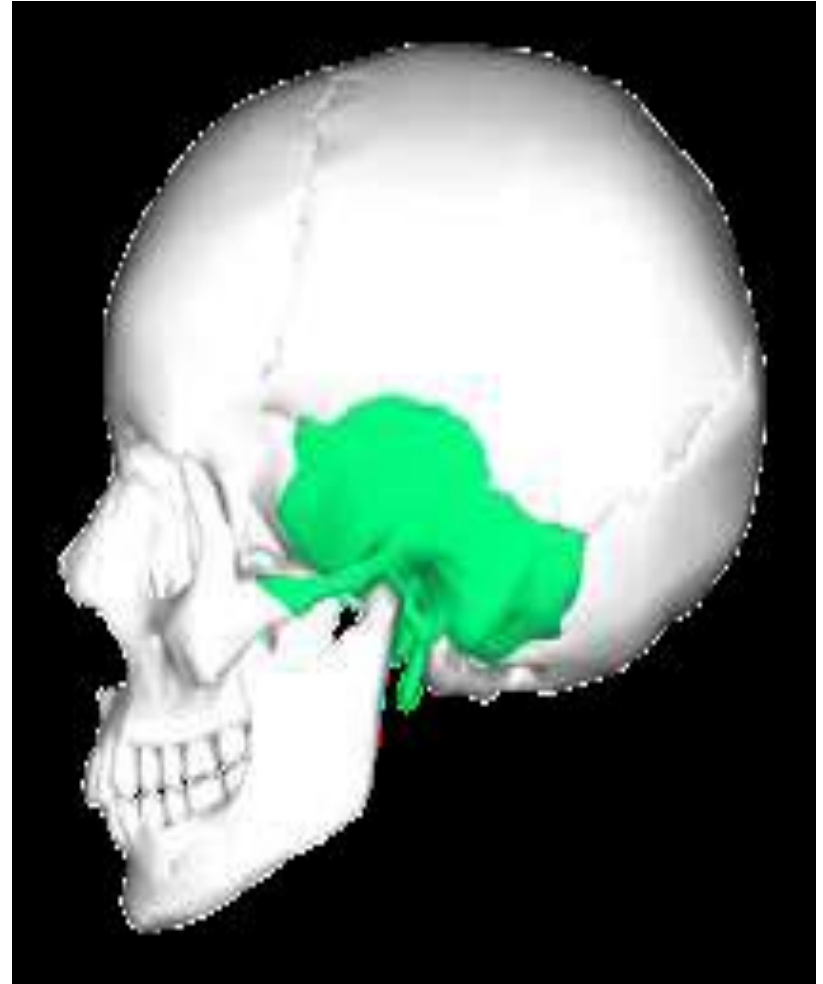
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Paraietal bone

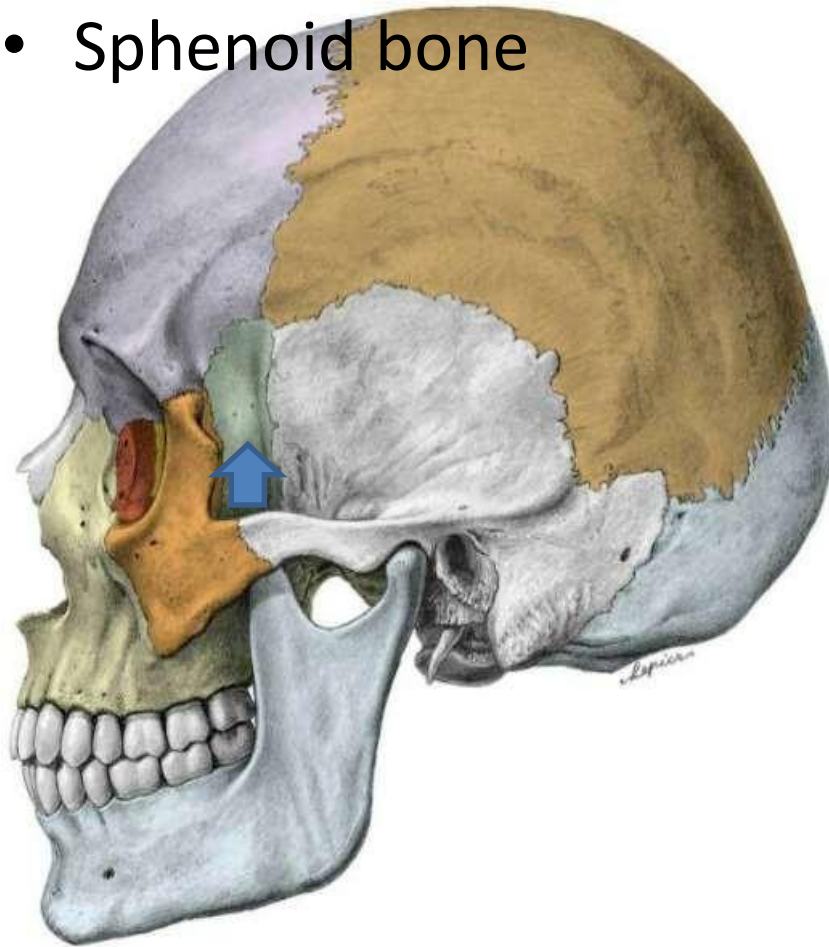


temporal bone

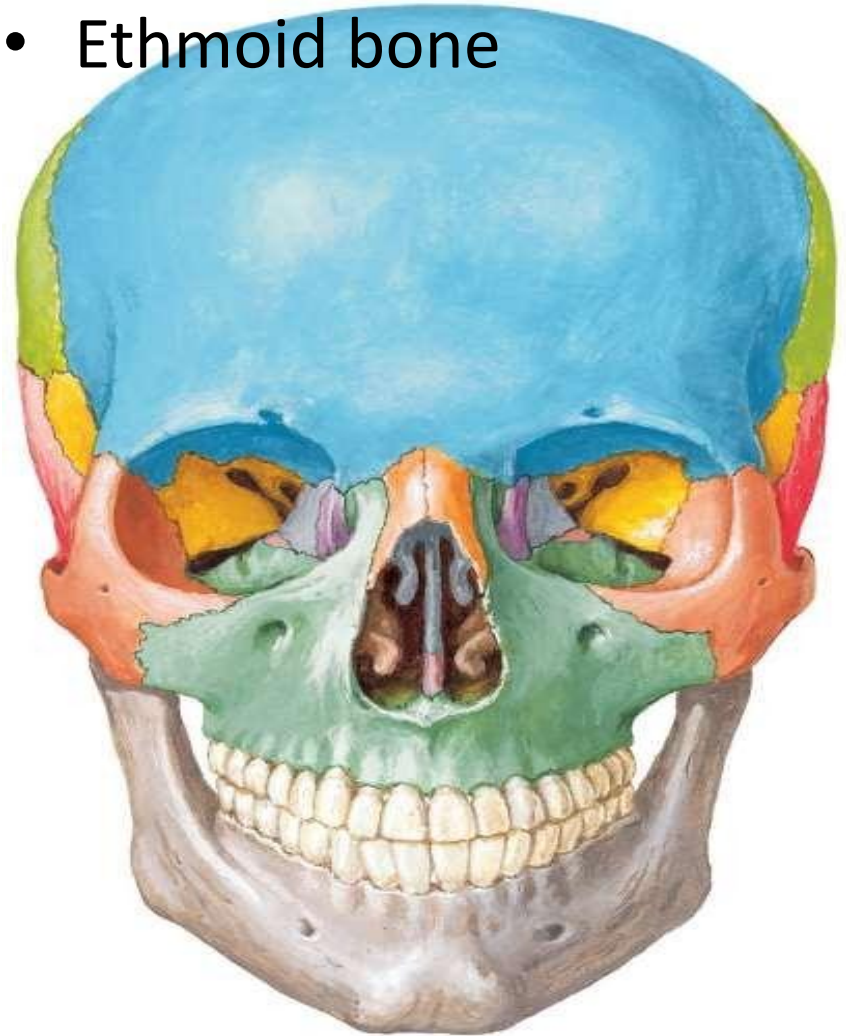


Neurocranium

- Sphenoid bone

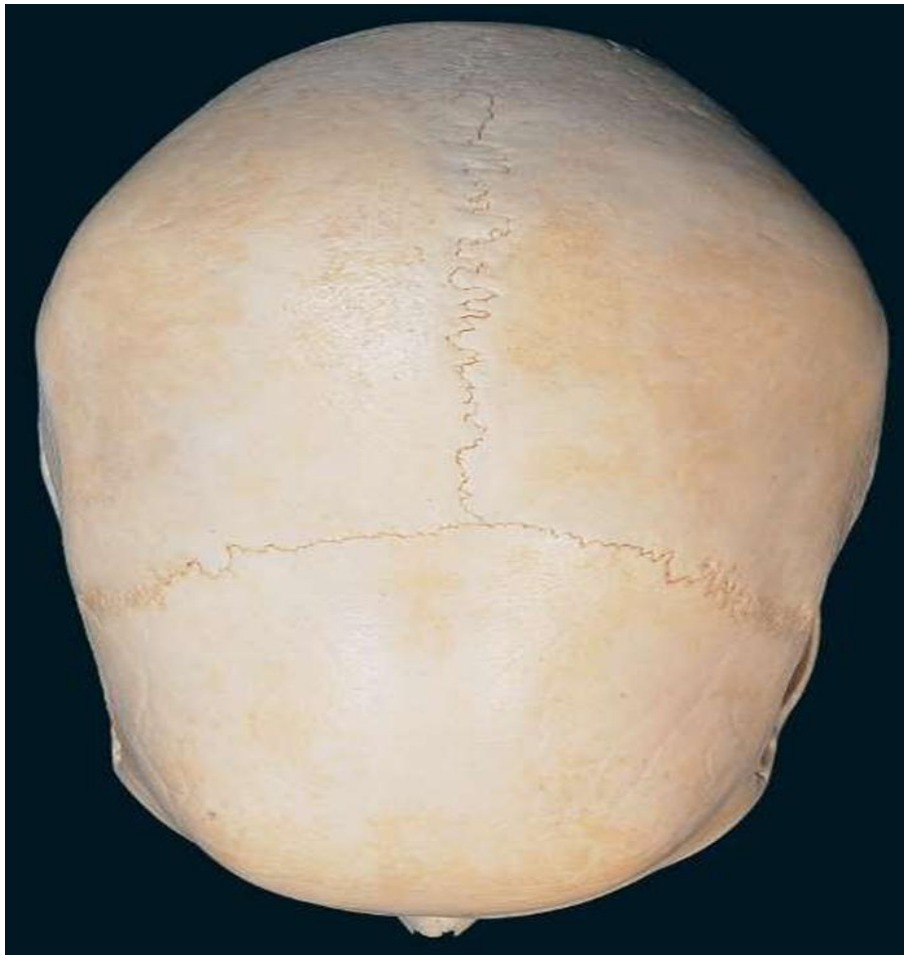


- Ethmoid bone



Calvaria

The bones making the **calvaria** are primarily flat bones
– **Frontal** , **parietal** and **occipital**

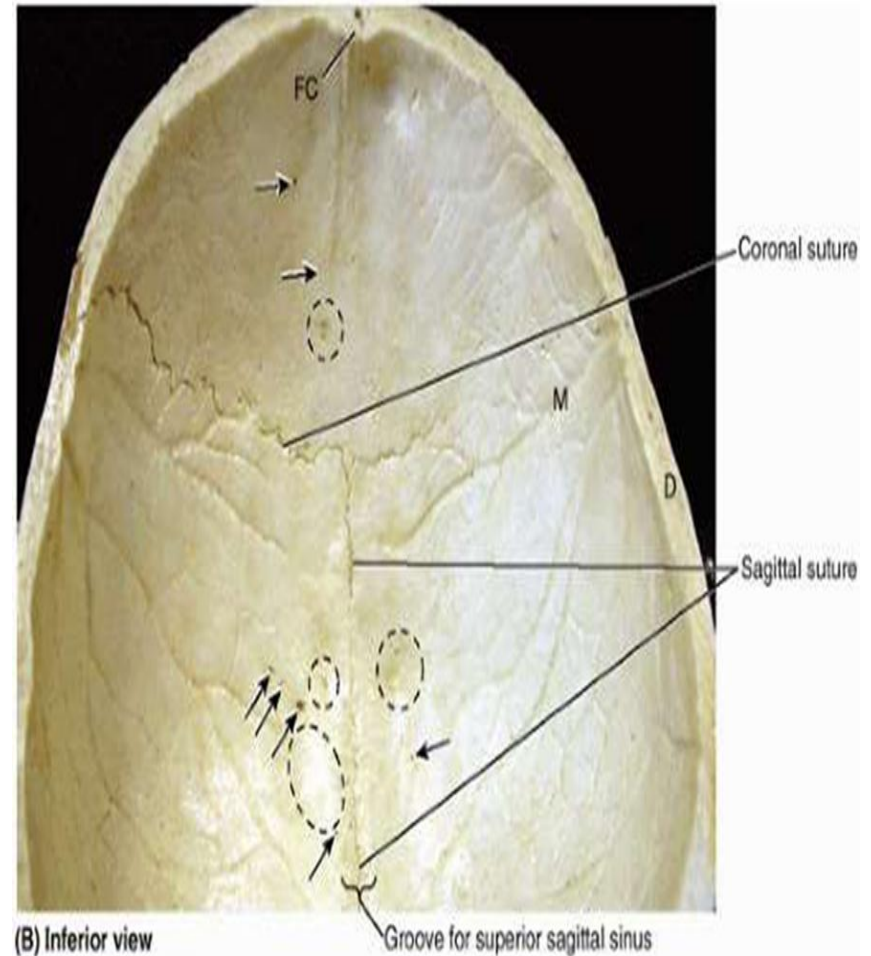


1. Calvaria



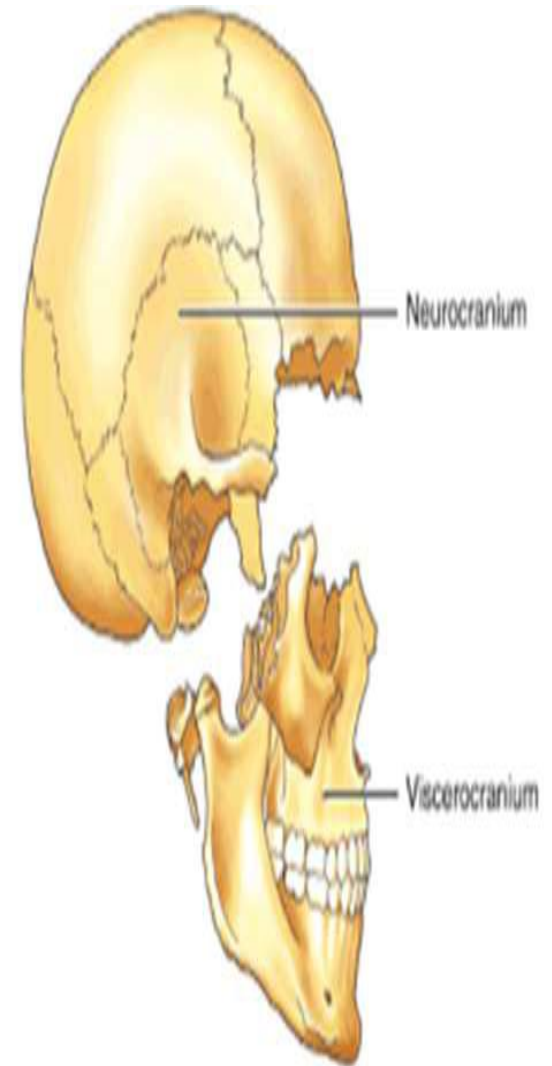
Internal aspect of calveria

- - grooves for middle meningeal artery
- Groove for superior sagittal sinus
- Pits for arachnoid granulations



Viscerocranium

- It forms the anterior part of the cranium
- Consist of the bones surrounding the mouth (upper and lower jaws) nose, orbit
- It consists of **14** irregular bones:
- 2 singular bones lying in the midline
- **mandible, 1**
- **Vomer 1**
- 6 bones occurring as bilateral pairs
- • Maxillae 2
- inferior nasal conchae 2
- zygomatic 2
- palatine 2
- nasal 2
- lacrimal bones 2



Viscerocranium

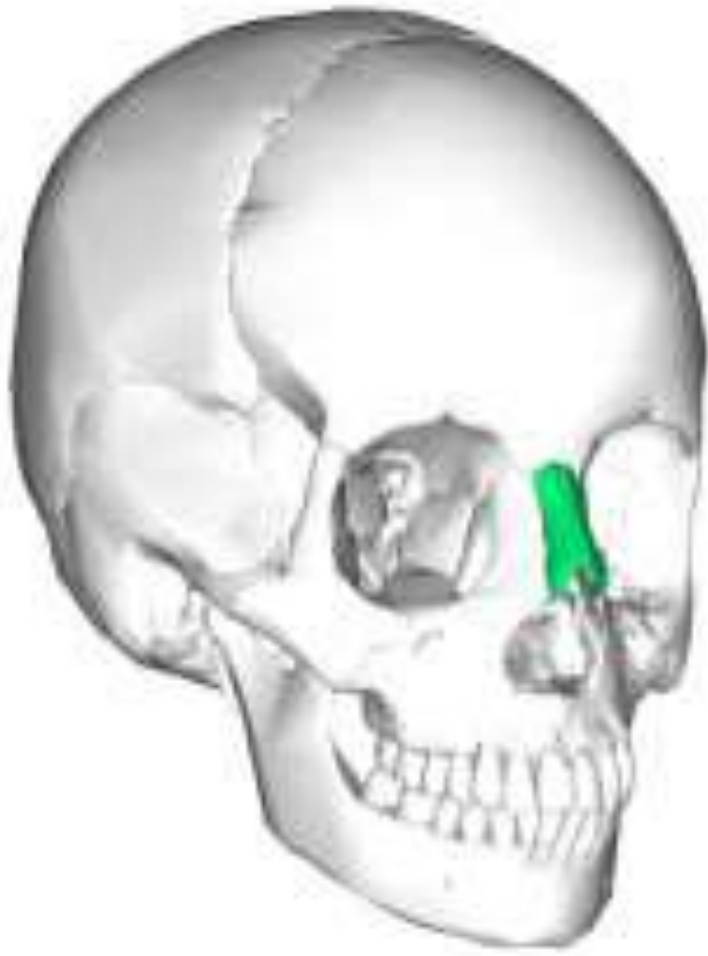
Zygoma



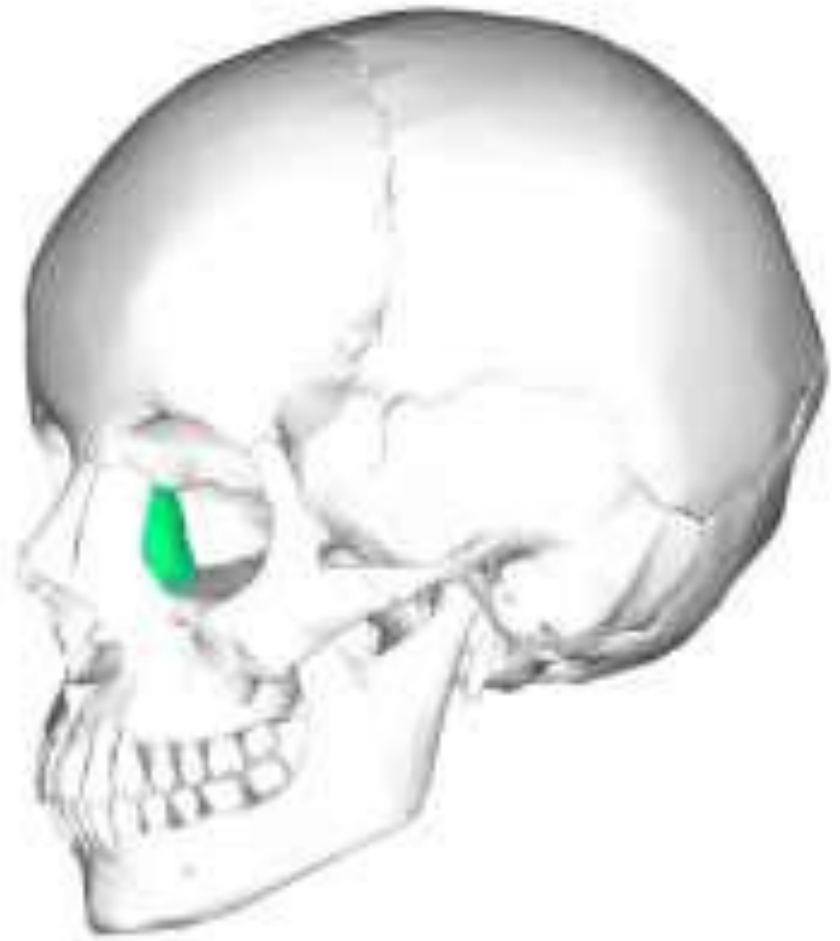
Inferior nasal concha



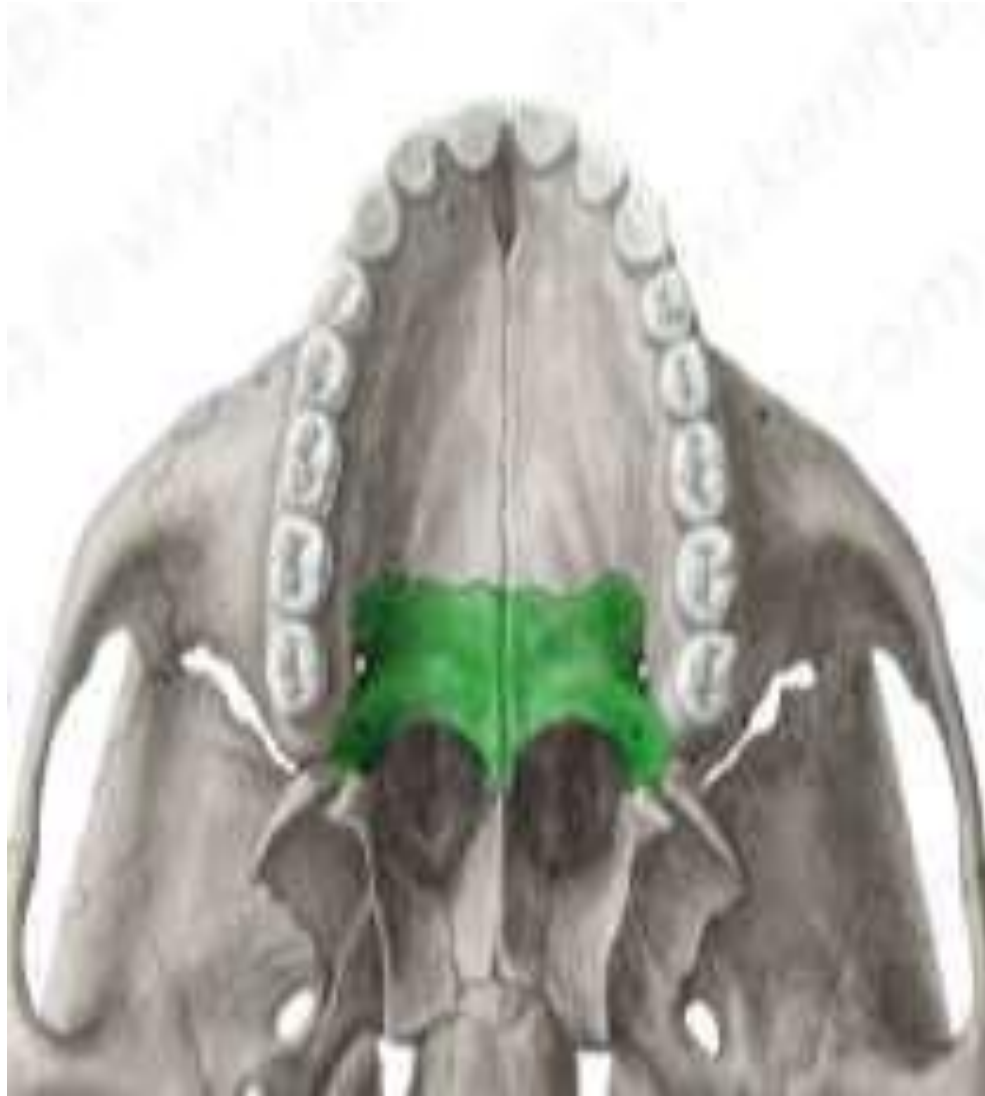
Nasal



Lacrimal bones

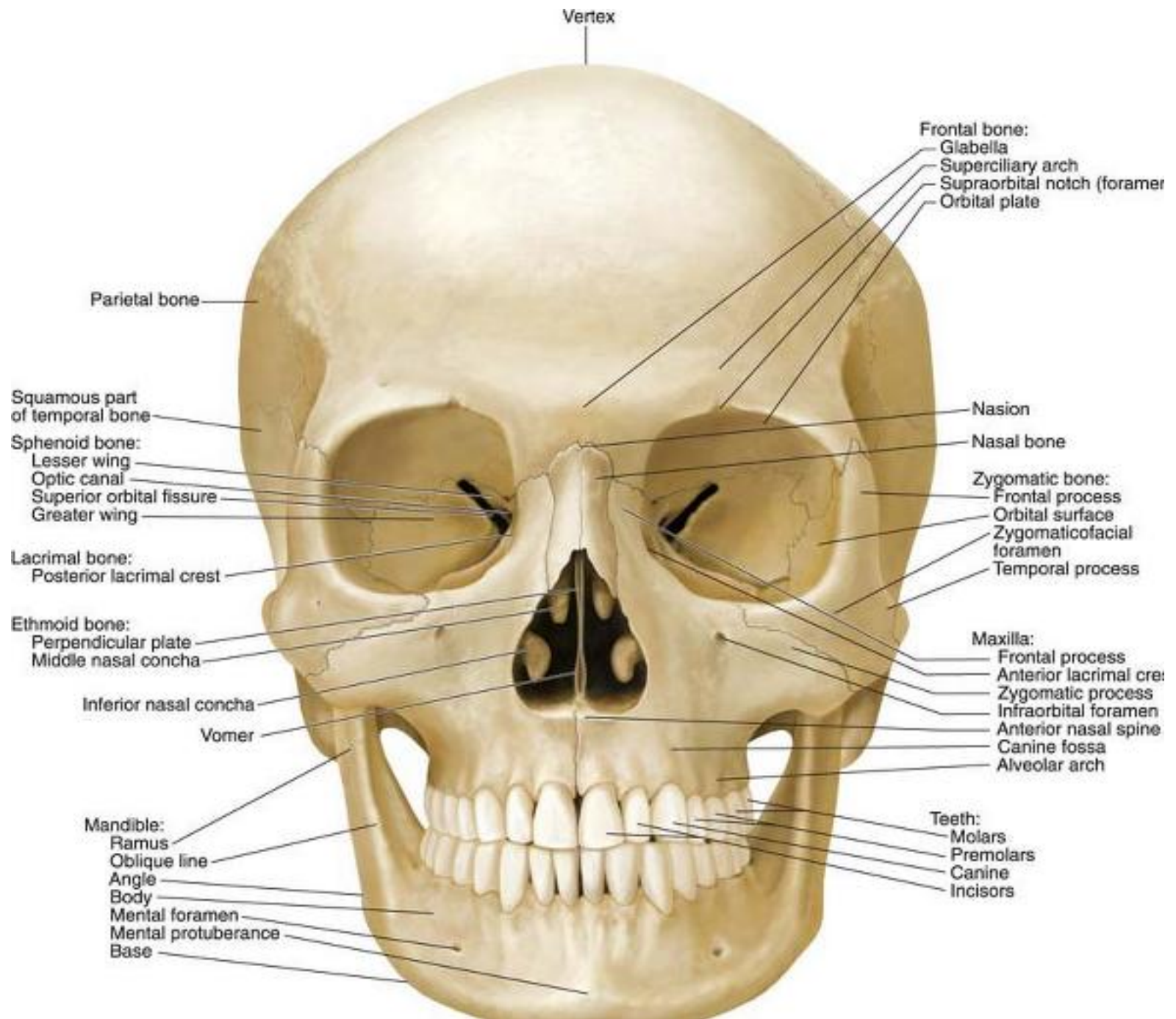


Palatine



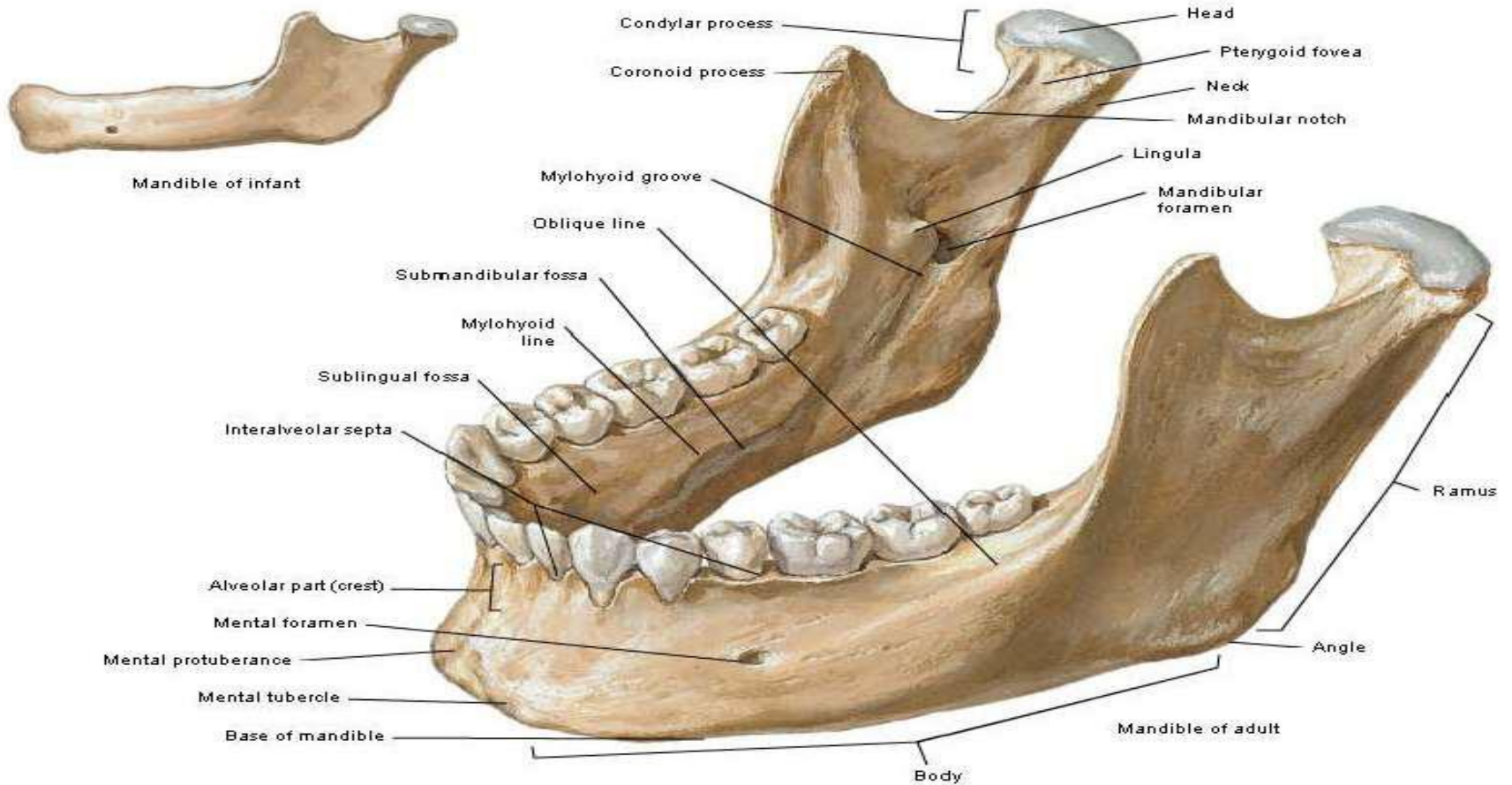
maxilla





Mandible

Mandible Anterolateral Superior View

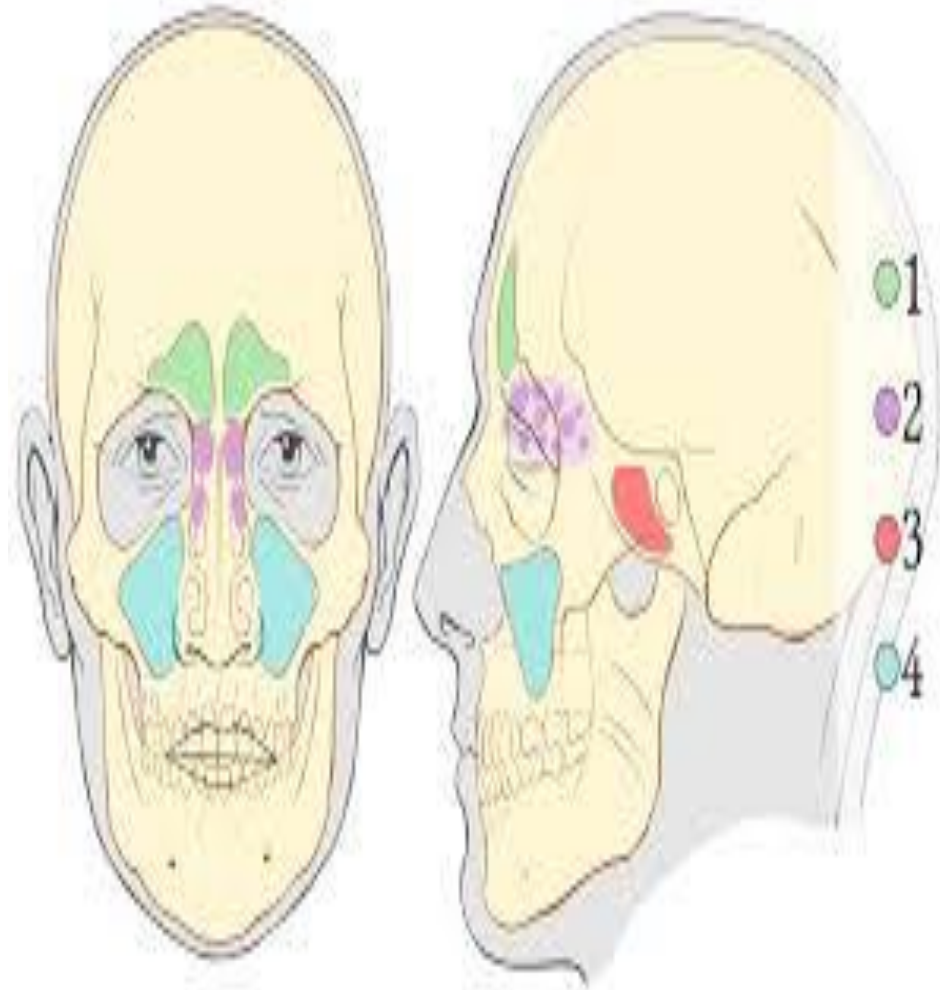


Pneumatic bones

** Pneumatized Bones

- Frontal
- Temporal
- Sphenoid
- Ethmoid bones
- Maxilla

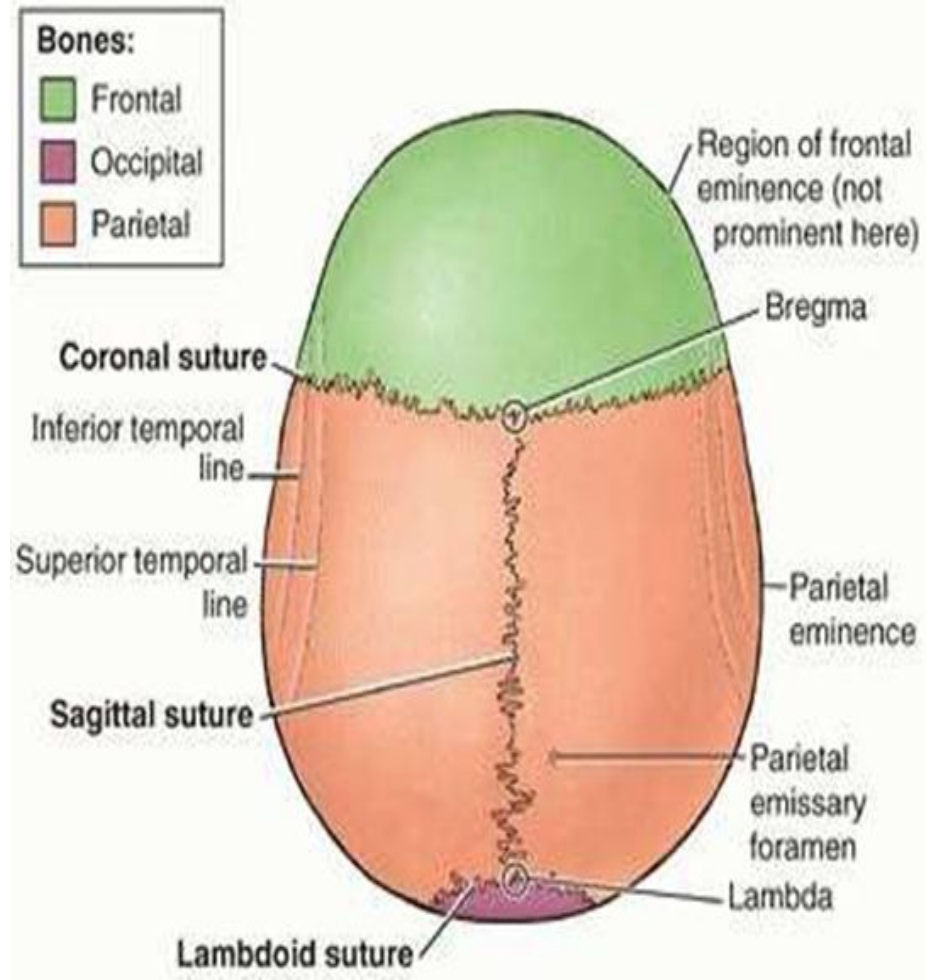
- **Contain **air spaces** (air cells or large sinuses),
 - to **decrease their weight.**
 - The total volume of the air spaces in these bones
- **increases with age.**



Study of skull

External features

- **Sutures of skull:**
- **Sagittal suture** : in the medial plane between two parietal bones
- **Coronal suture** : between frontal and two parietal bones
- **Lambdoid suture** : between occipital and two parietal bones



Coronal



sagittal



Lambdoid

