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STRUCTURE.

- Origin: adjacent sides of metacarpals.
- Insertion: proximal phalanx of each finger.

FUNCTION.

- Concentric action: abduct fingers 2-4 at metacarpophalangeal joints; flex fingers 2-4 at metacarpophalangeal joints; and extends fingers at interphalangeal joints.
- Reverse mover action: abduct metacarpals of fingers 2-4; flex and adduct thumb at CMC; flex metacarpals of fingers 2-4 at MCP; extend proximal phalanges of fingers 2-4 at PIP and DIP.
- Eccentric action: controls/restrains/slows adduction, flexion and extension of fingers 2-4 at MCP.
- Isometric action: stabilize CMC of thumb, and MCP and IP for fingers 2-4.
- Innervation: ulnar nerve.
- Arterial supply: branches of radial and ulnar arteries.

CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE.

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