

# Download Canine Cranial Cruciate Ligaments

The cranial cruciate ligament (CrCL, see Figure 1.) is one of the most important stabilizers inside the canine knee (stifle) joint, the middle joint in the back leg. An overview of the key anatomy of the canine knee, including why structures are present, their clinical significance, and associated ligaments. Mouth: Digestion begins in the mouth where food is mixed with saliva to lubricate the food as it passes down the esophagus. Dog's teeth are suited for gripping, tearing and shredding the food. Certain breeds of dogs are more susceptible to canine cruciate ligament ruptures. These breeds include Rottweilers, cocker spaniels, German shepherds, Labrador retrievers, toy poodles, Lhasa apsos and Golden retrievers.