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| **Advantages** | **Disadvantages** |
| * Often a salvage procedure in severe and otherwise unresponsive flexural deformities, although can aid development into sound riding horses in some cases.
* Simple procedure.
* The mid-metacarpal approach avoids invasion of the tendon sheath.
* The distal approach results in an increased level of release of the tendon.
 | * Often just a salvage procedure.
* Causes high levels of post-operative pain which requires prolonged analgesia to control.
* Variable response.
* May result in overextension, subluxation of distal interphalangeal joint.
* Poor cosmetic result.
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