

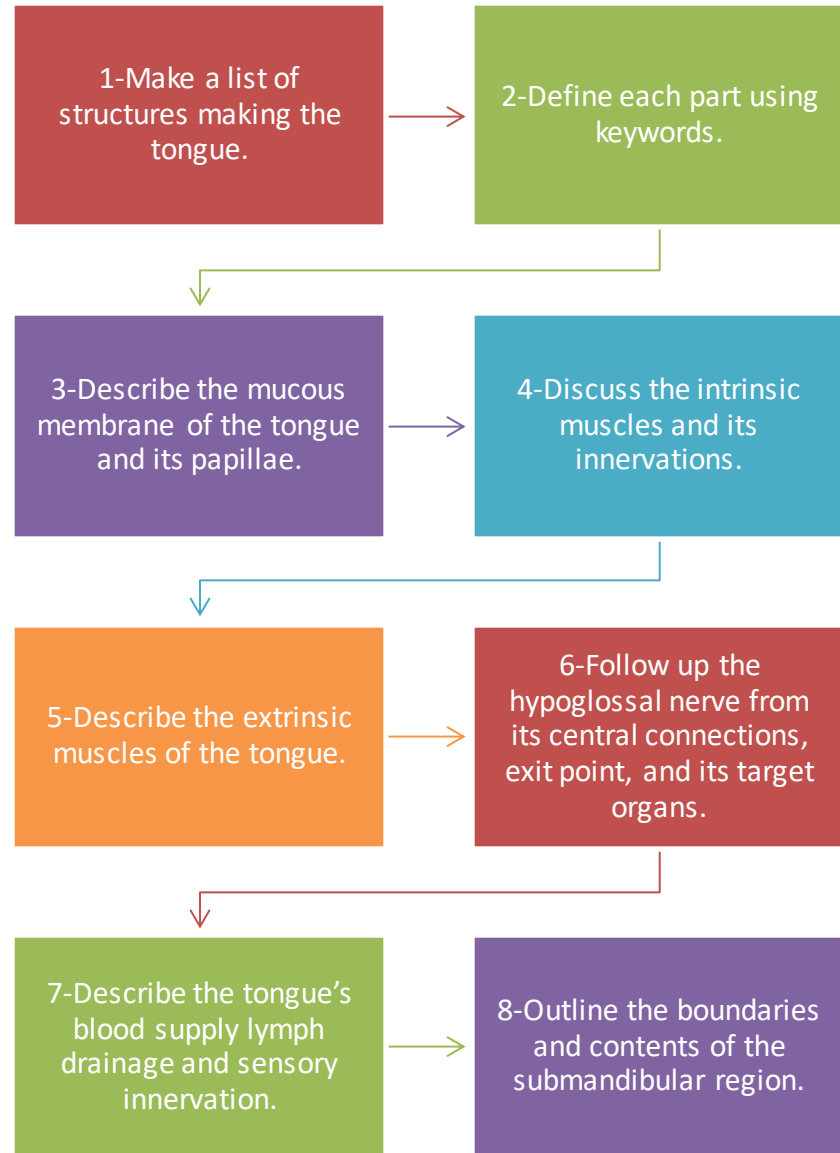


# Tongue and submandibular region

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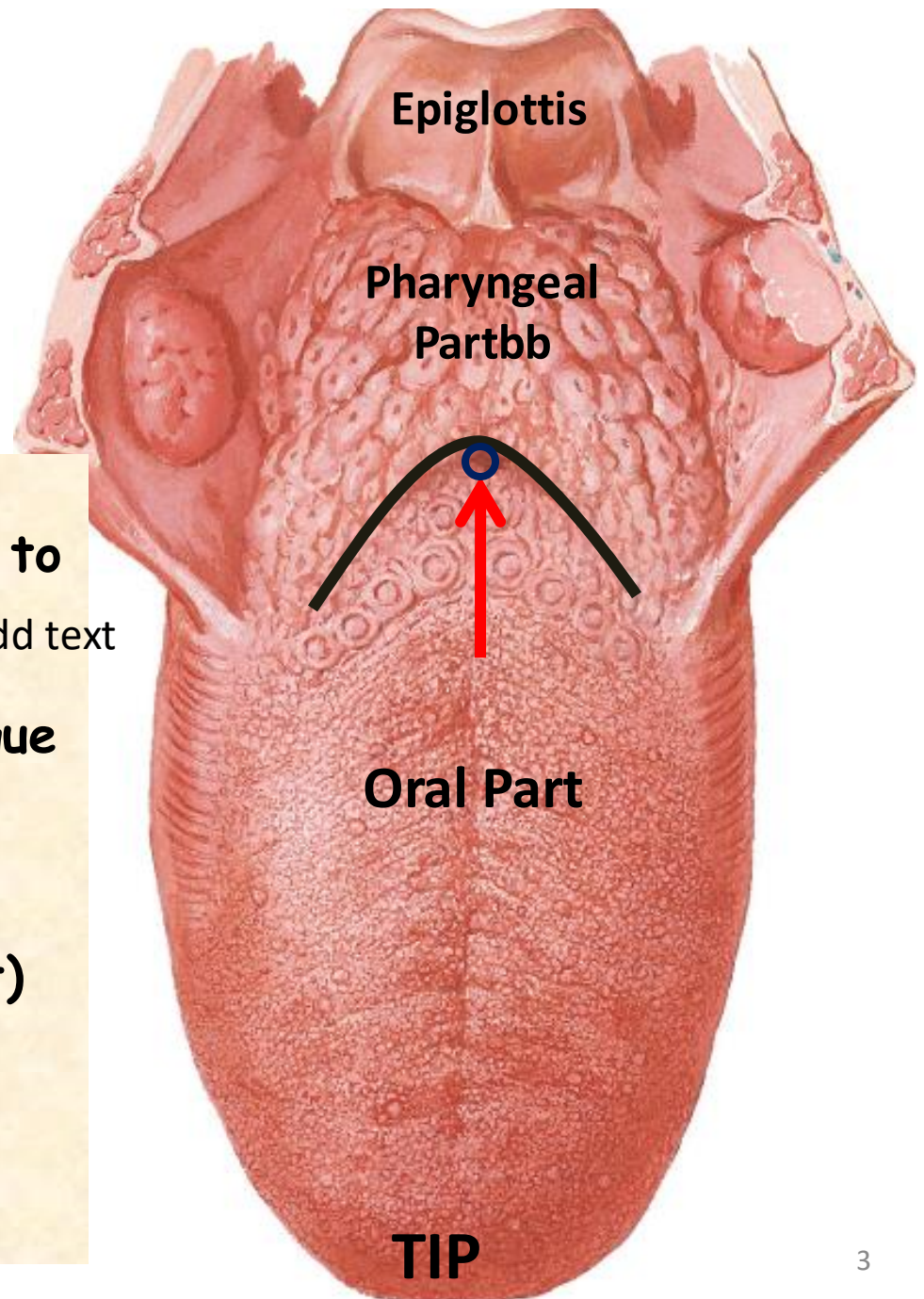
# TONGUE

Muscular organ lying in oral cavity used in:

1. Tasting
2. Swallowing ( deglutition )
3. Speech

## Tongue has:

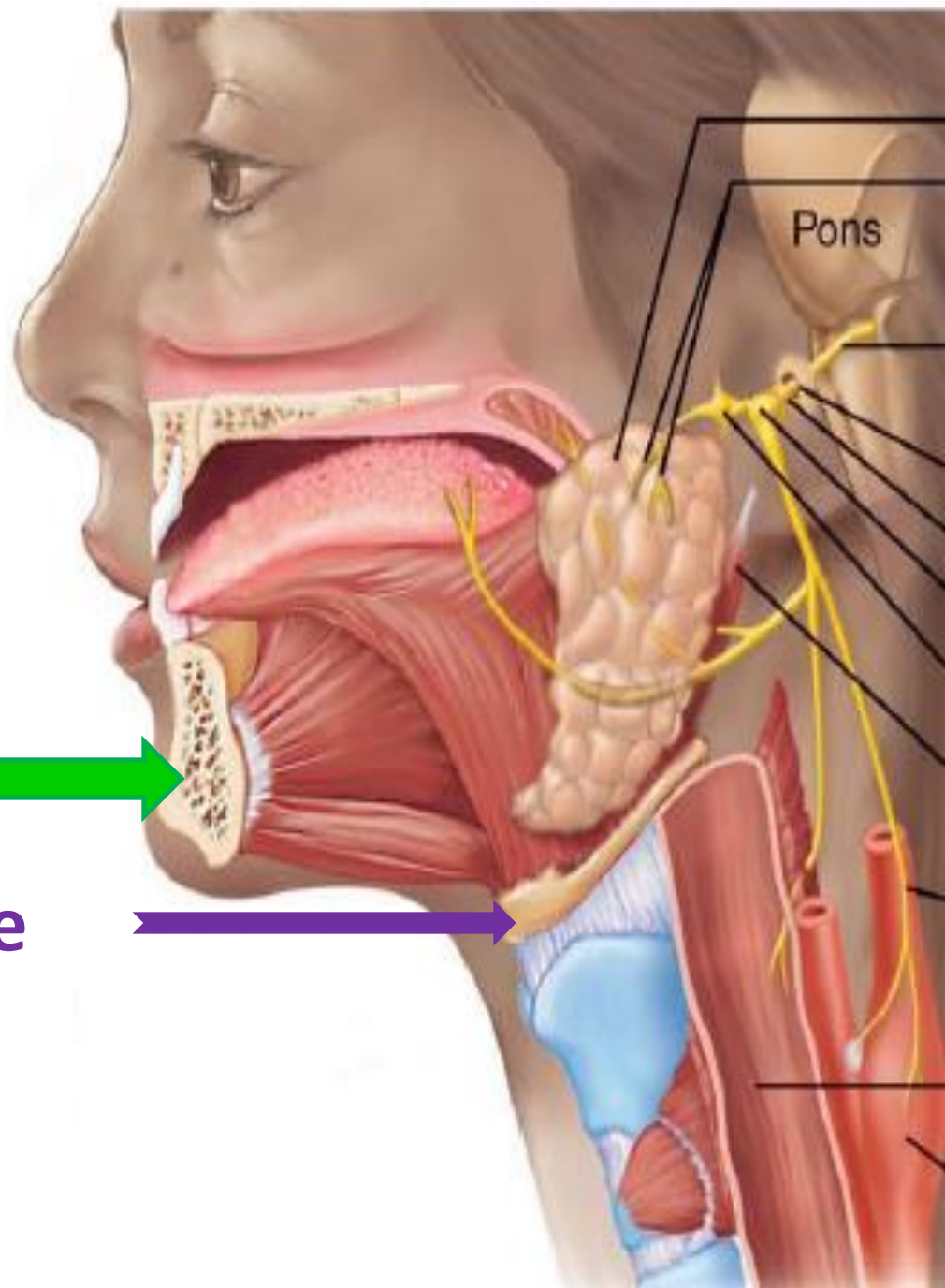
1. **Root:** posterior end, attached to **mandible** & **hyoid bone** by muscles. Click to add text
  2. **Tip:** free anterior end of tongue
  3. **Dorsum of tongue:** divided by sulcus terminalis into:
    - a) **Anterior 2/3** (oral part)
    - b) **Posterior 1/3** (pharyngeal part)
- \* At apex of V shaped sulcus terminalis lies a pit called **foramen caecum**



**Mandible**



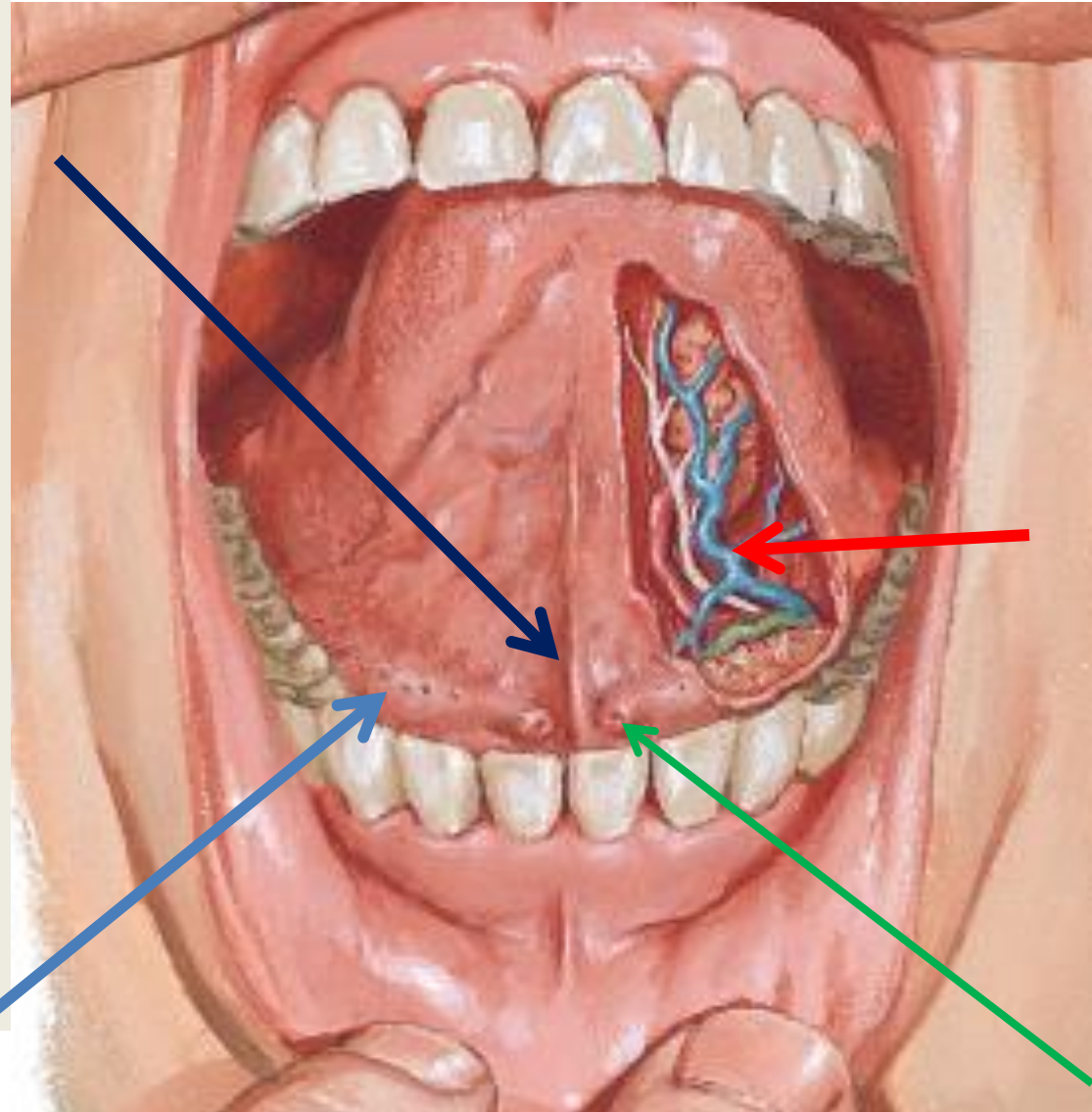
**Hyoid bone**



# Inferior surface of Tongue

## Shows the following:

1. **Lingual frenulum:** mucous membrane fold connecting tongue to mucosa of floor of mouth.
2. **Deep lingual vein:** lateral to frenulum
3. **Sublingual folds** overlying sublingual salivary glands
4. **Sublingual papilla:** on both sides of frenulum, where submandibular ducts open



# Muscles of Tongue

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graph TD; A[Muscles of Tongue] --> B[Intrinsic]; A --> C[Extrinsic]
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**Intrinsic**

**Extrinsic**

# INTRINSIC MUSCLES OF TONGUE

They are not attached to bones but lie inside the tongue.

Narrow tongue

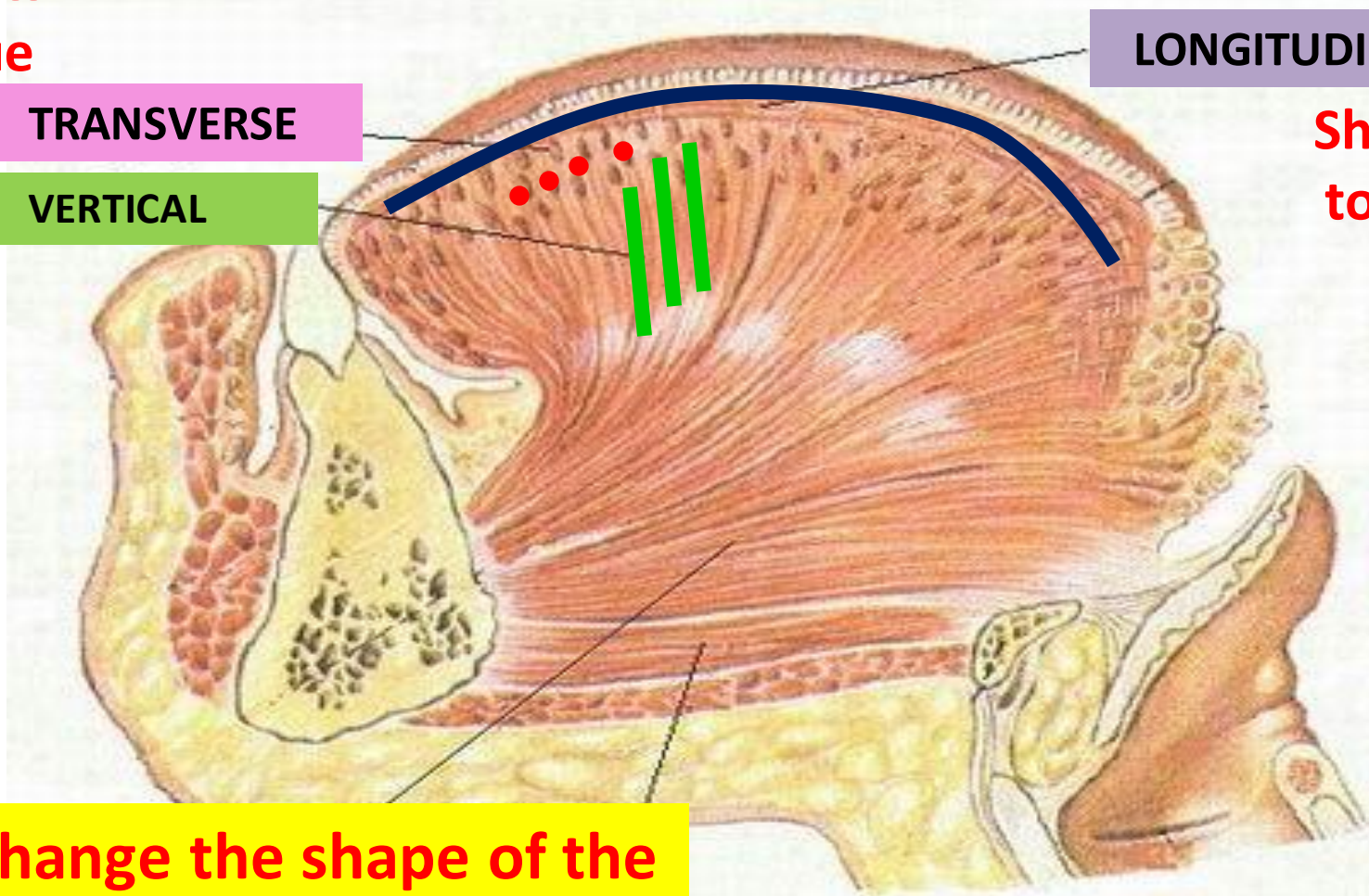
LONGITUDINAL

TRANSVERSE

Shorten tongue

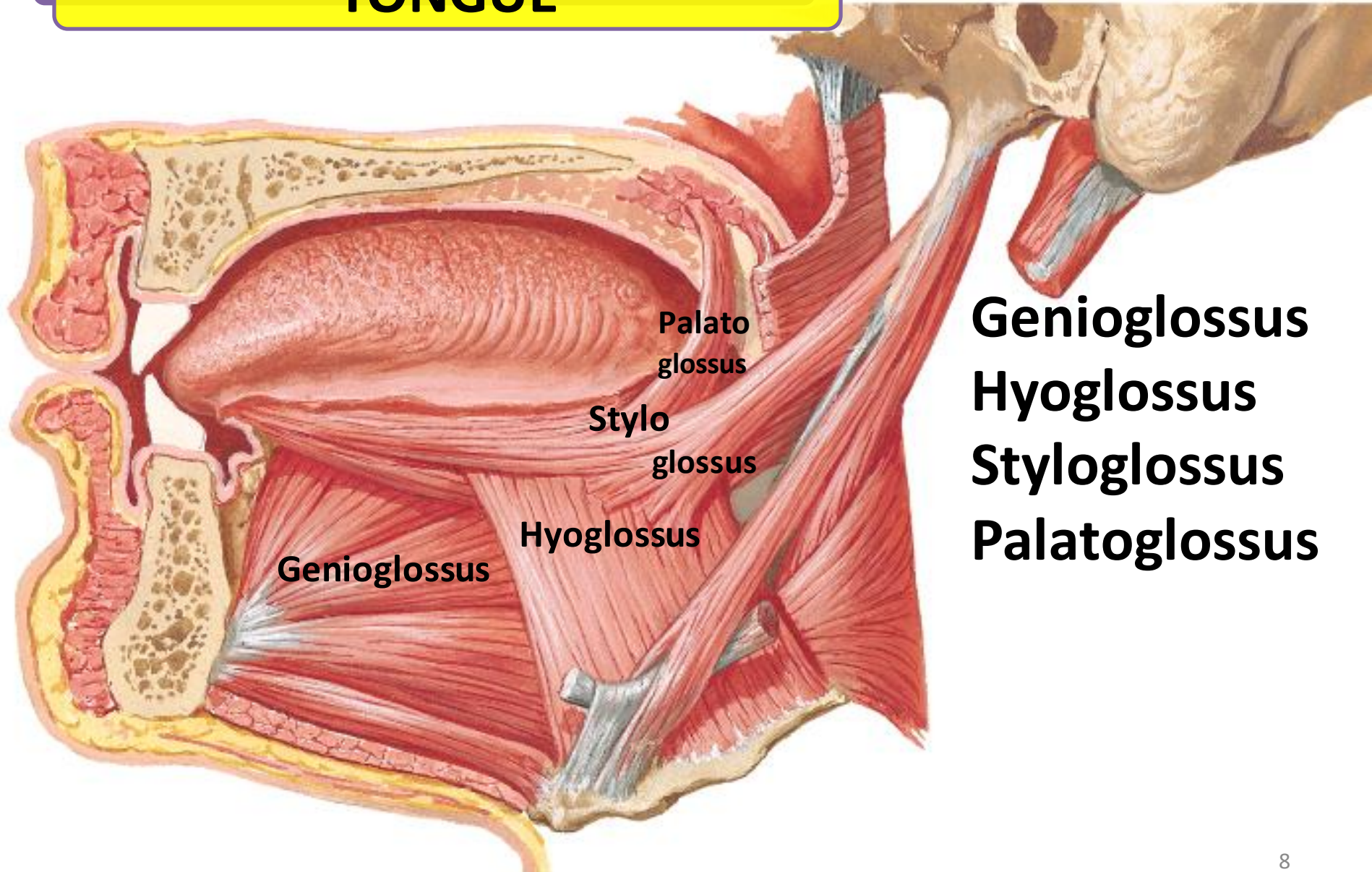
VERTICAL

Flatten tongue



They change the shape of the tongue

# EXTRINSIC MUSCLES OF TONGUE

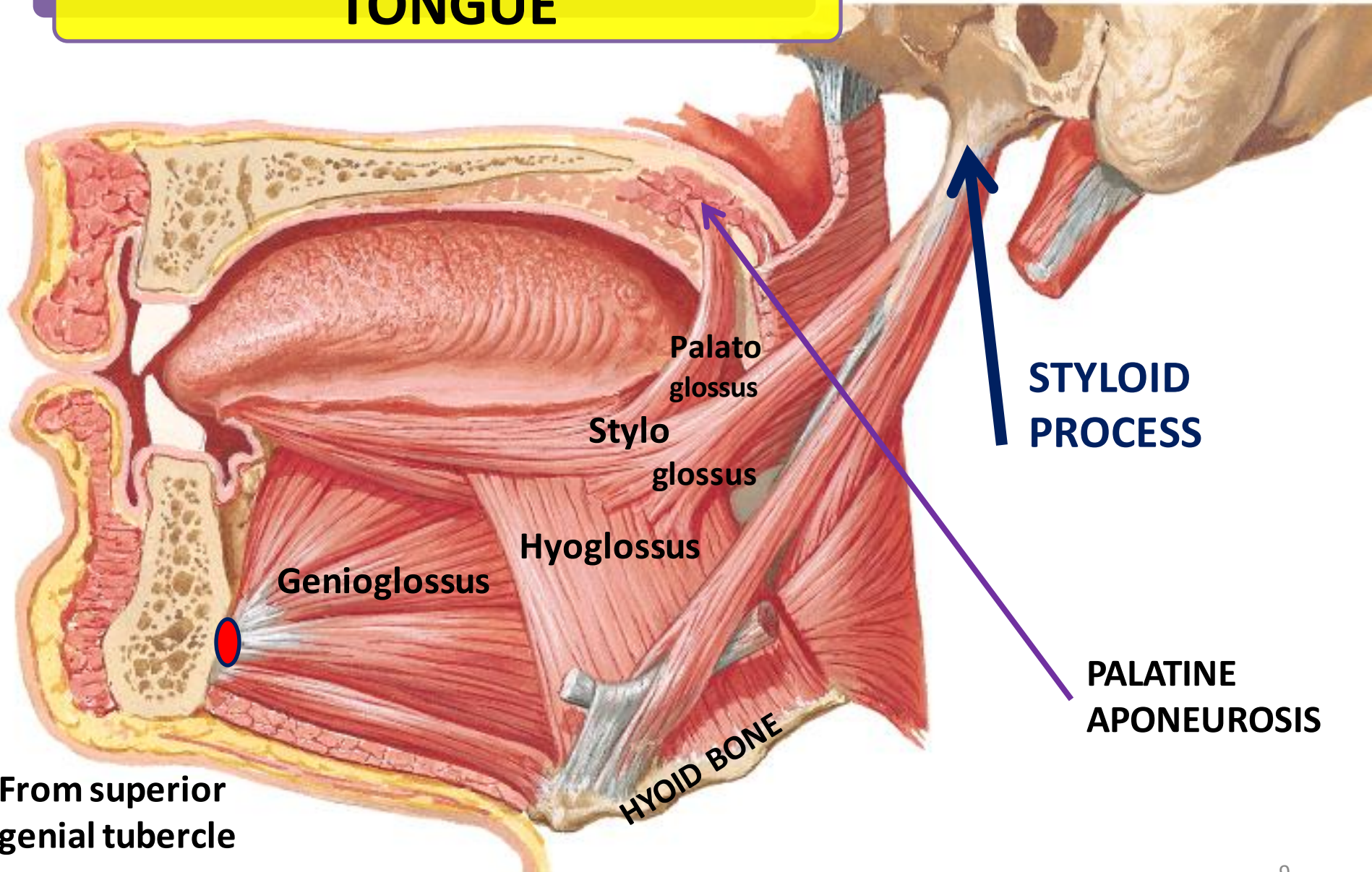


**Genioglossus**  
**Hyoglossus**  
**Styloglossus**  
**Palatoglossus**



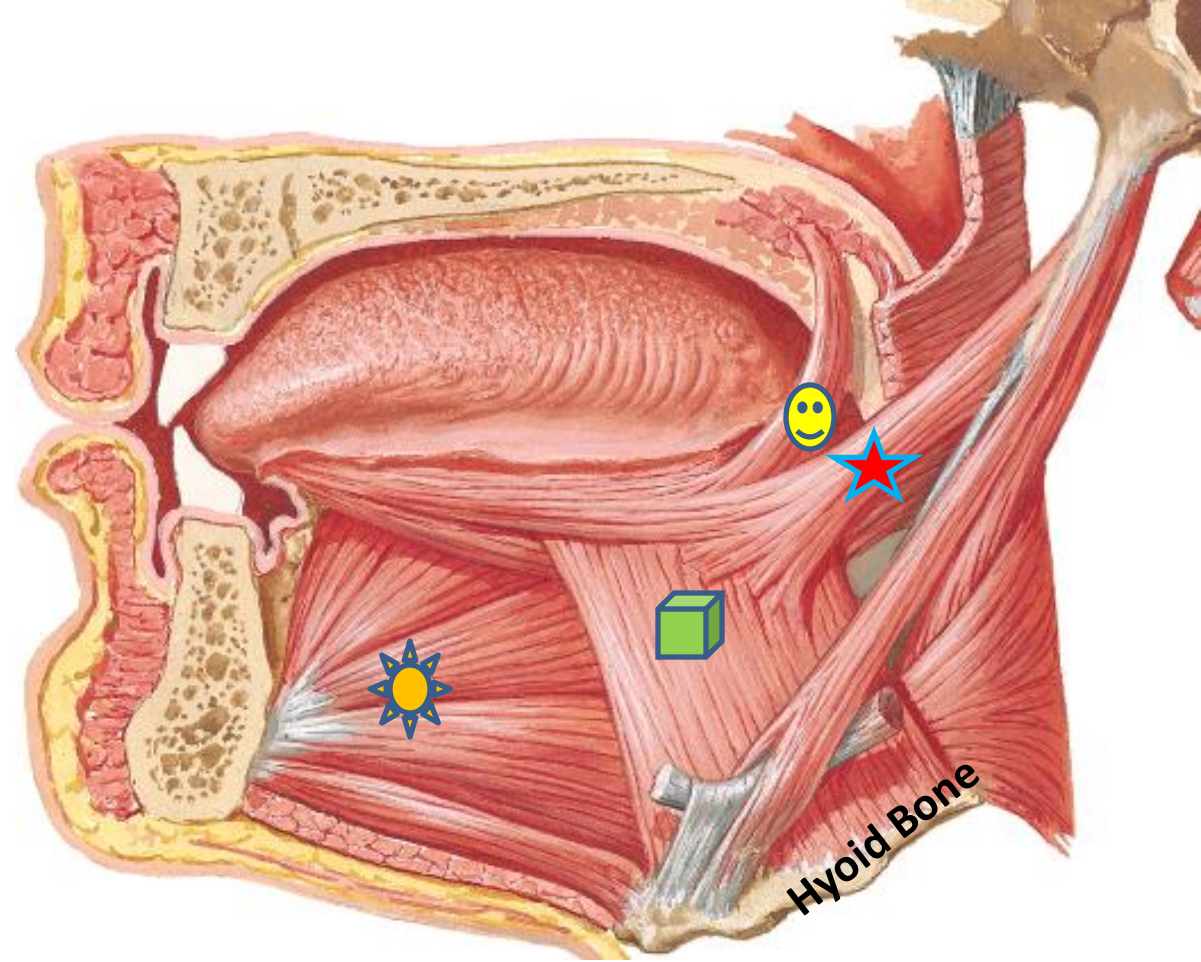
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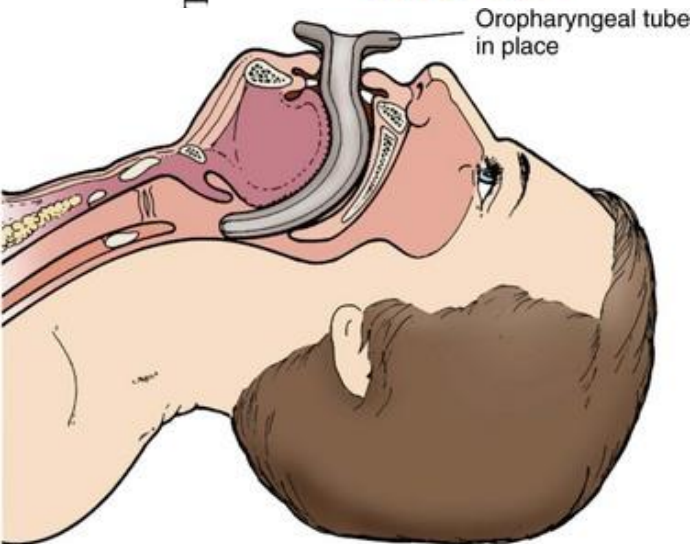
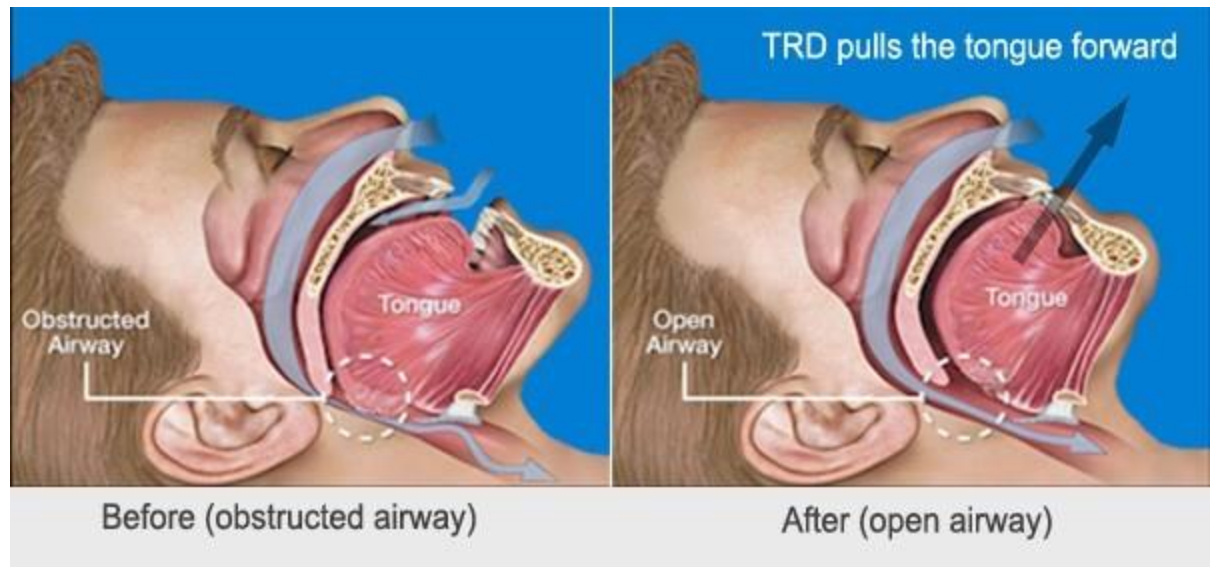
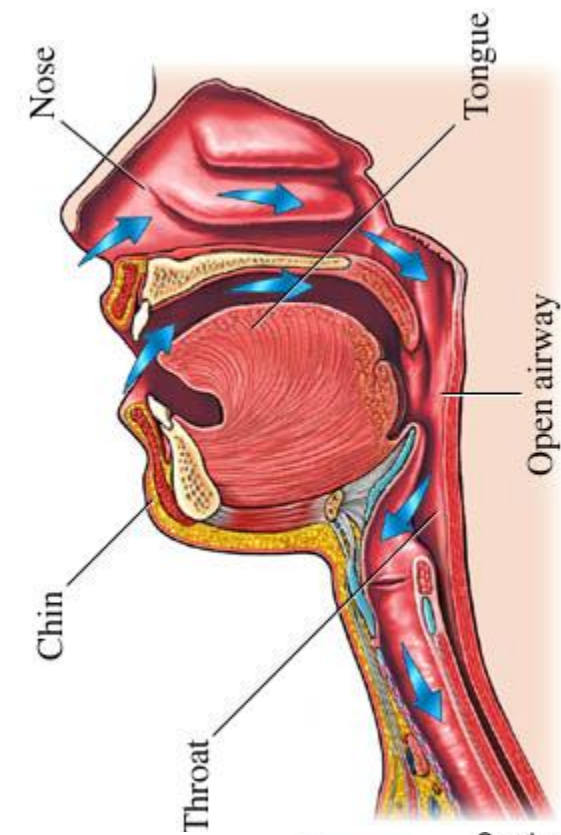
# ORIGIN



## Action of extrinsic muscles of tongue:

1. Palatoglossus: elevator
2. Hyoglossus: depressor
3. Genioglossus: protractor
4. Styloglossus: retractor





**If genioglossus is paralyzed, tongue falls posteriorly & obstructs the airway → suffocation**

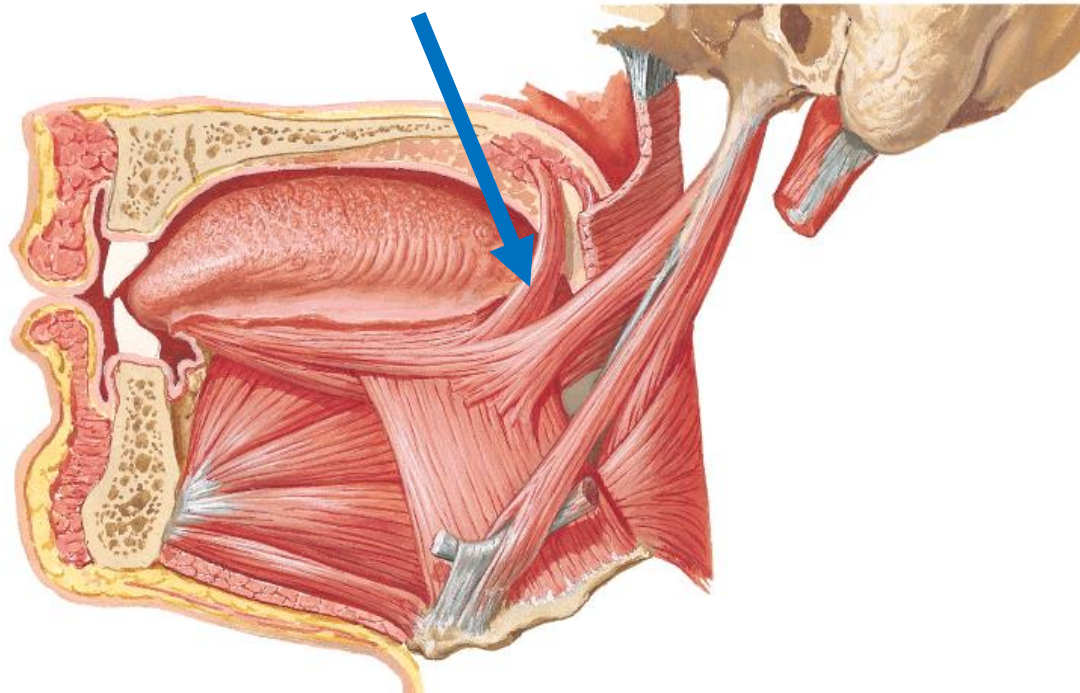
**During general anesthesia, there is total relaxation of genioglossus → tongue must be prevented from falling backward by inserting an airway (oropharyngeal tube)**

## NERVE SUPPLY OF MUSCLES OF TONGUE

ALL intrinsic & extrinsic muscles of tongue are supplied by HYPOGLOSSAL NERVE (12<sup>th</sup> cranial nerve)

**EXCEPT**

PALATOGLOSSUS supplied by CRANIAL ACCESSORY N (11<sup>th</sup> cranial n) through pharyngeal plexus { like muscles of the palate }



# SENSORY NERVE SUPPLY OF TONGUE

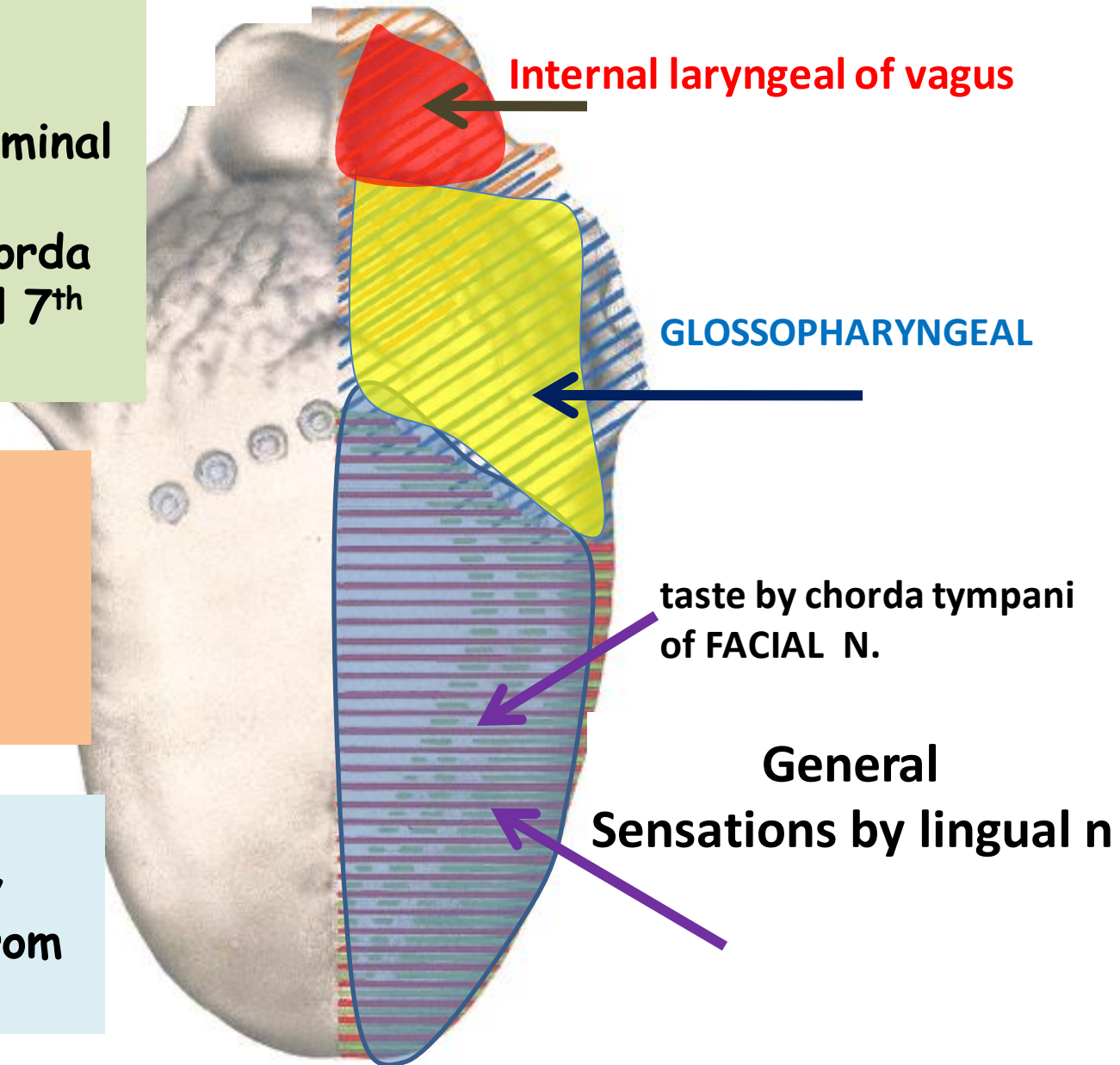
## Anterior 2/3:

1. General sensations :  
lingual n (from trigeminal  
5<sup>th</sup> cranial n)
2. Taste sensation: chorda  
tympani (from facial 7<sup>th</sup>  
cranial n)

## Posterior 1/3:

General & taste by  
glossopharyngeal nerve  
( 9<sup>th</sup> cranial n)

**Most posterior part**  
in front of epiglottis by  
internal laryngeal n (from  
vagus 10<sup>th</sup> cranial n)





**When quick absorption of a drug is desired, they are placed under the tongue where they dissolve and enter the deep lingual veins in less than a minute**



# Lymphatic Drainage of Tongue

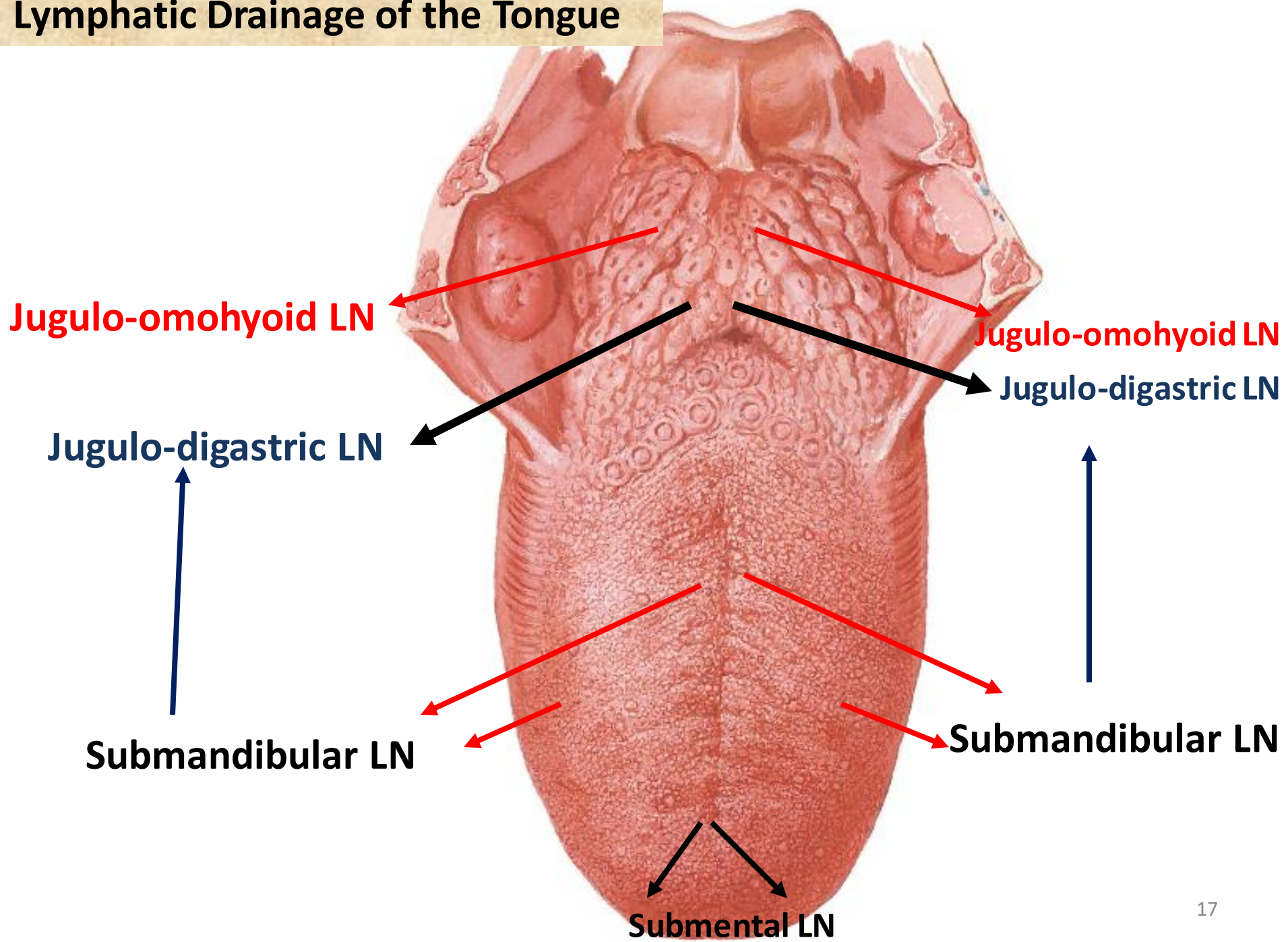
Tip of tongue: to submental L.N. of both sides

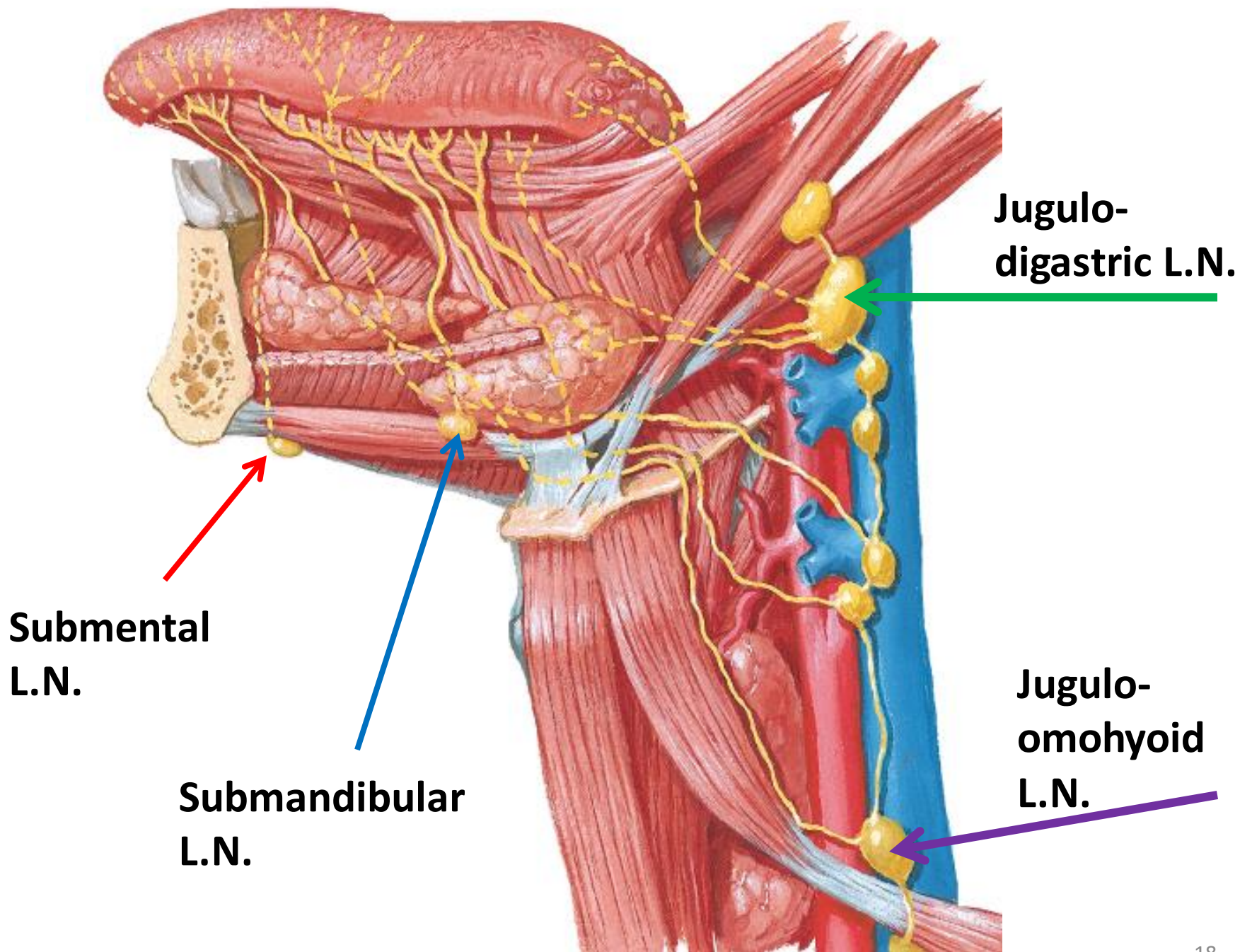
Anterior 2/3 (Margin & body of tongue) :  
to submandibular L.N. then to deep  
cervical L.N. (jugulo-digastric or jugulo-  
omohyoid L.N. )

Posterior 1/3: jugulo-digastric & jugulo-  
omohyoid L.N. of both sides



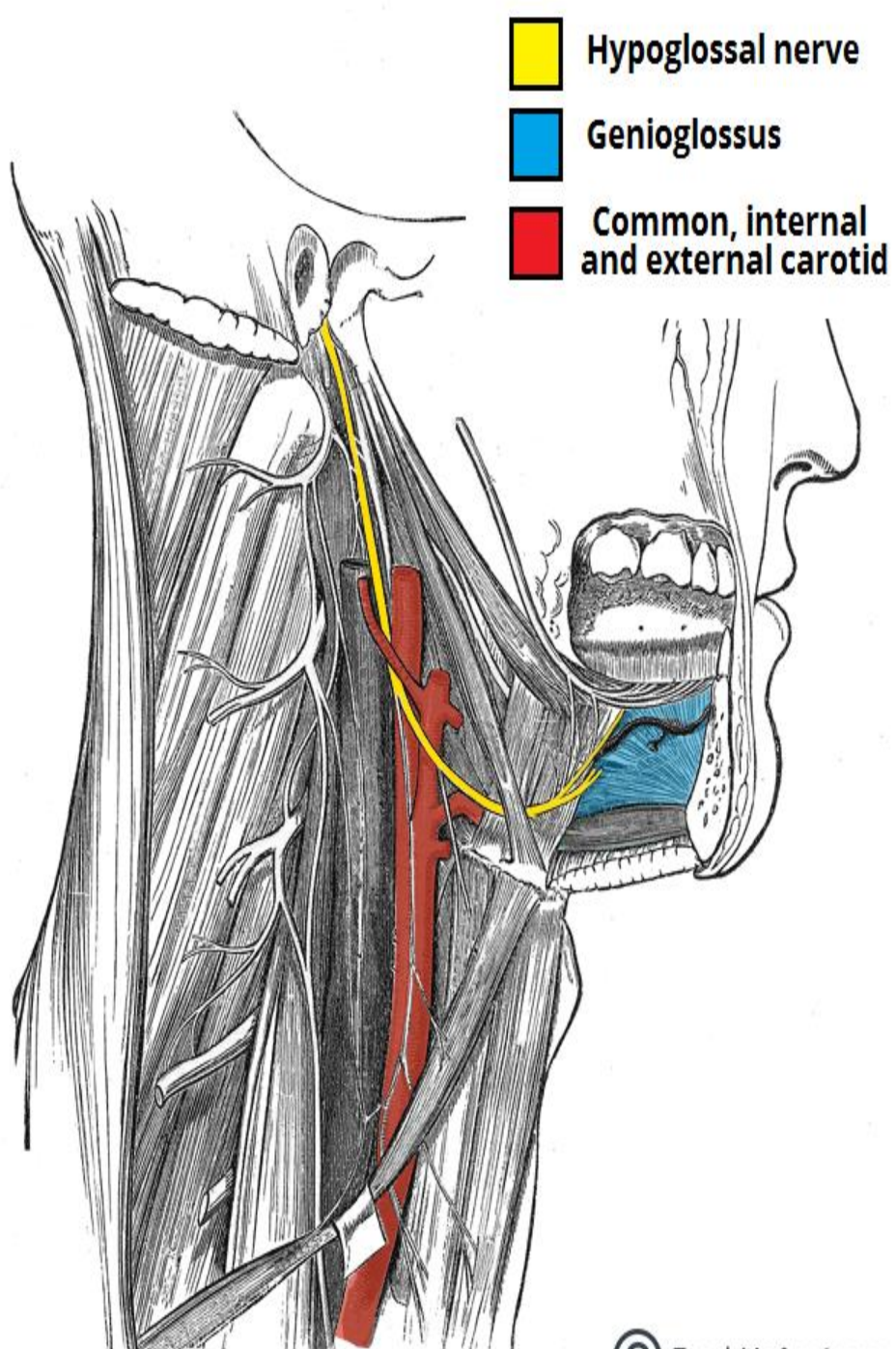
# Lymphatic Drainage of the Tongue





# Hypoglossal nerve

- Pass between **IJV** & **ICA**
- Crosses **ICA, ECA, & lingual artery**
- Descends till the lower border of post. belly of digastric & passes forward to enter digastric  $\Delta$ , running over hyoglossus *m.* to pass to undersurface of the tongue.



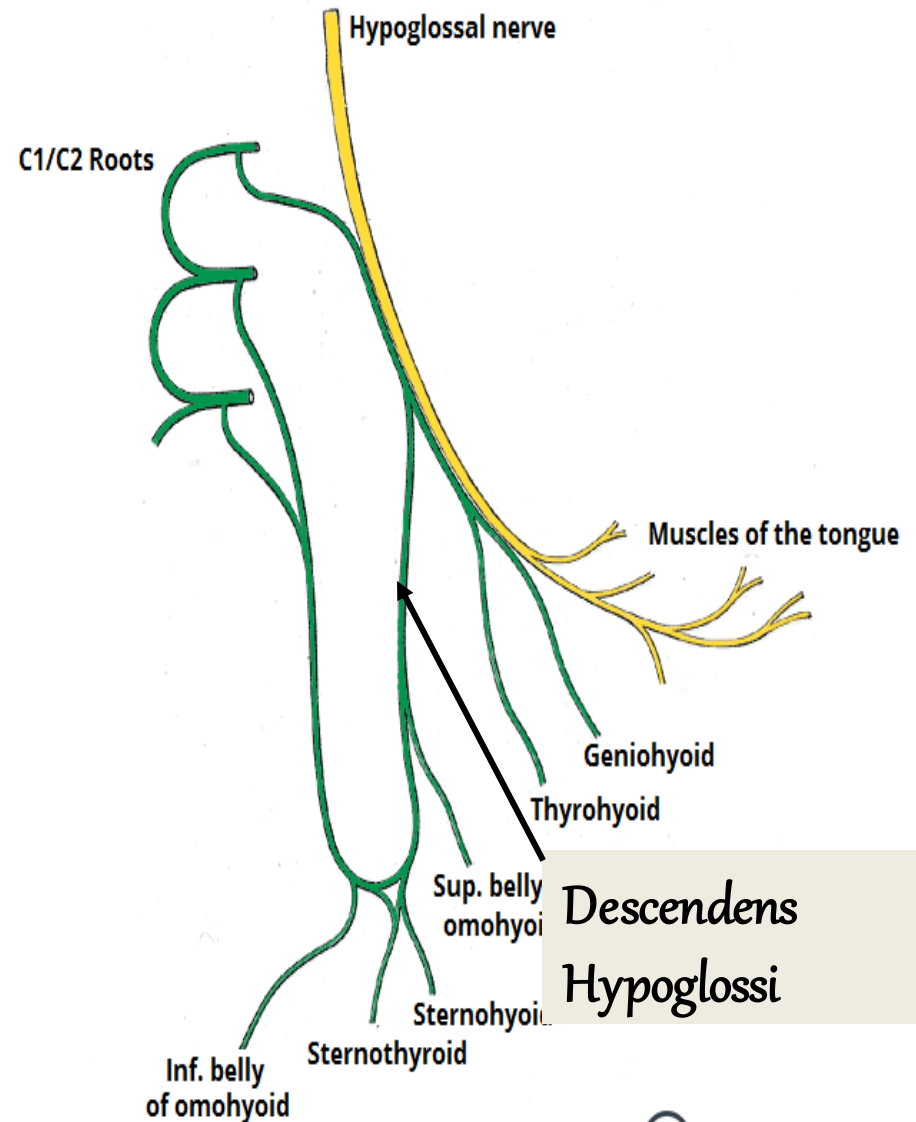
1-The first group :  
fibres from C1"related  
anatomically to hypoglossal".

a-Meningeal nerve.: contains  
sensory & sympathetic fibres  
supplying bone & meninges of  
anterior part of posterior  
cranial fossa.

b-Nerve to thyrohyoid.

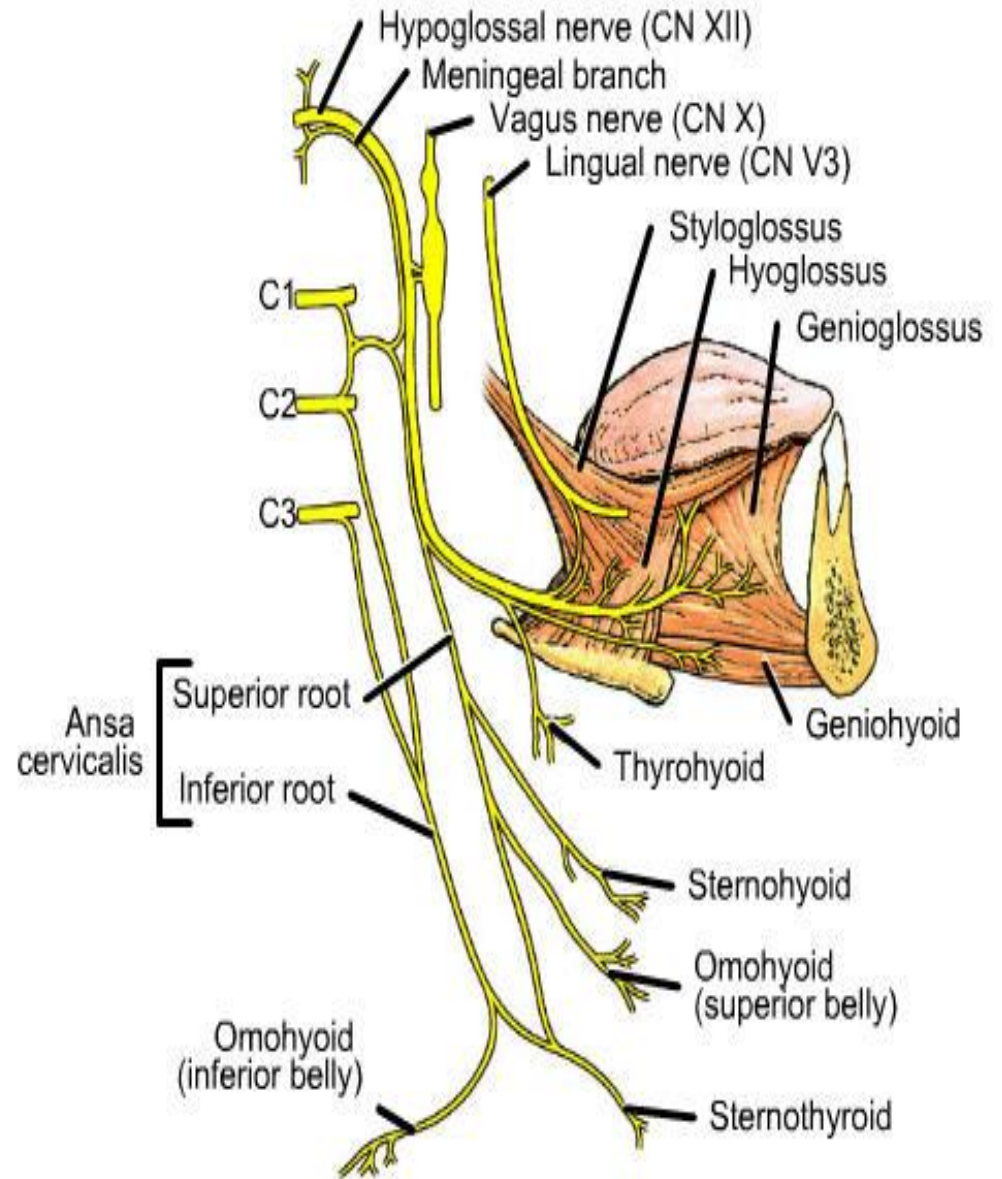
c-Nerve to geniohyoid.

d-Descending hypoglossi or  
upper root of ansa cervicalis.



2-**The second group**"from hypoglossal itself": supplies the following:-

-Styloglossus, hyoglossus & genioglossus +All intrinsic muscles.



- ▶ Complete section of the hypoglossal nerve on one side → unilateral paralysis of tongue
- ▶ If for a long time → atrophy of muscles of the affected half of tongue
- ▶ If you ask the patient to protrude his tongue → tongue deviates towards the affected side due to the unopposed action of the normal half
- ▶ **TONGUE POINTS TOWARDS THE SIDE OF INJURY**

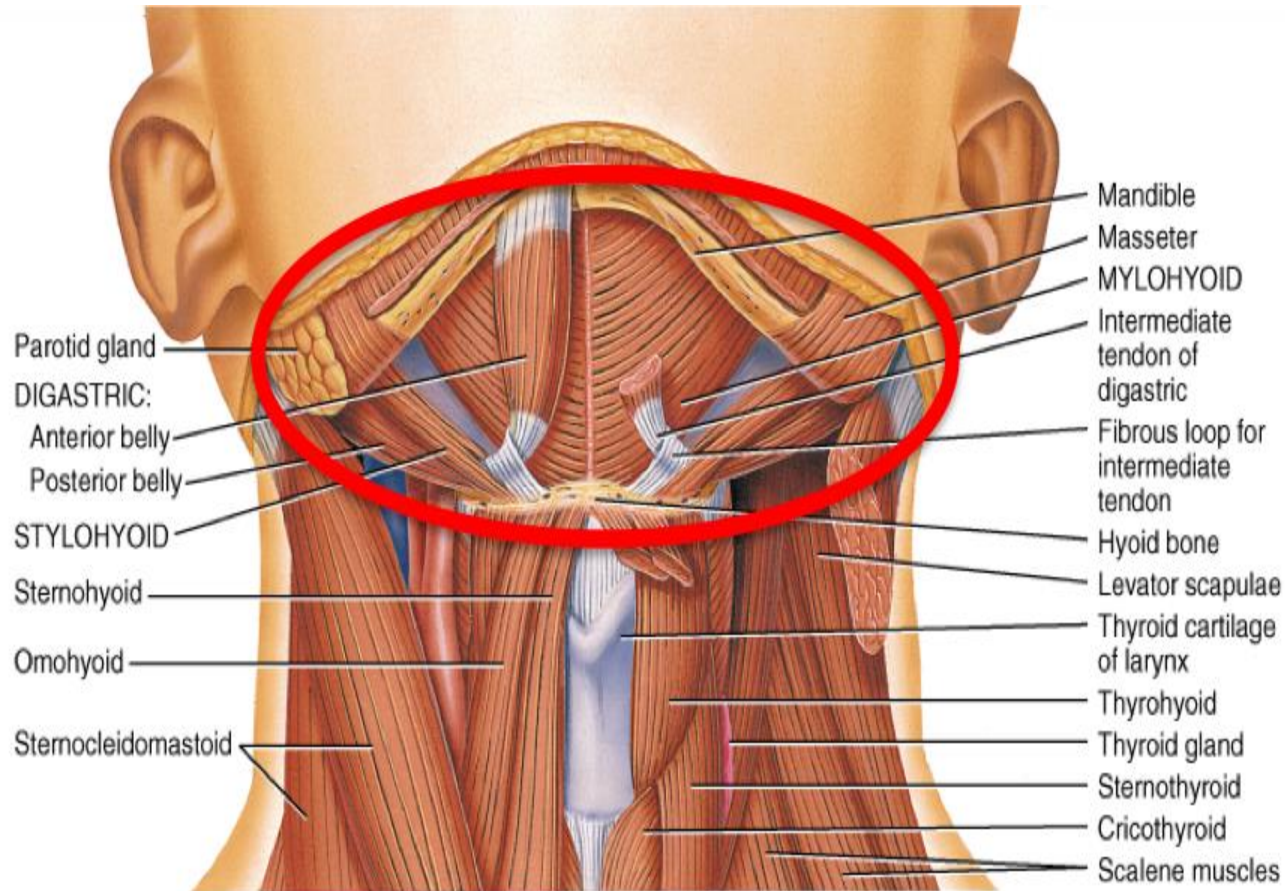


Does this patient have right or left hypoglossal nerve injury?

**Match the item in column A with its correct cross match from column B**

<b>COLUMN A</b>	<b>COLUMN B</b>
<b>1) Intrinsic muscles of tongue</b>	<b>A) Chorda tympani ( facial n)</b>
<b>2) Palatoglossus</b>	<b>B) Lingual nerve</b>
<b>3) Sensations from posterior 1/3 of tongue</b>	<b>C) Change the shape of tongue</b>
<b>4) Taste sensations from anterior 2/3 of tongue</b>	<b>D) Protrudes tongue</b>
<b>5) Genioglossus</b>	<b>E) Elevates tongue</b>
	<b>F) Glossopharyngeal nerve</b>
	<b>G) Duct of submandibular gland</b>

# Submandibular region



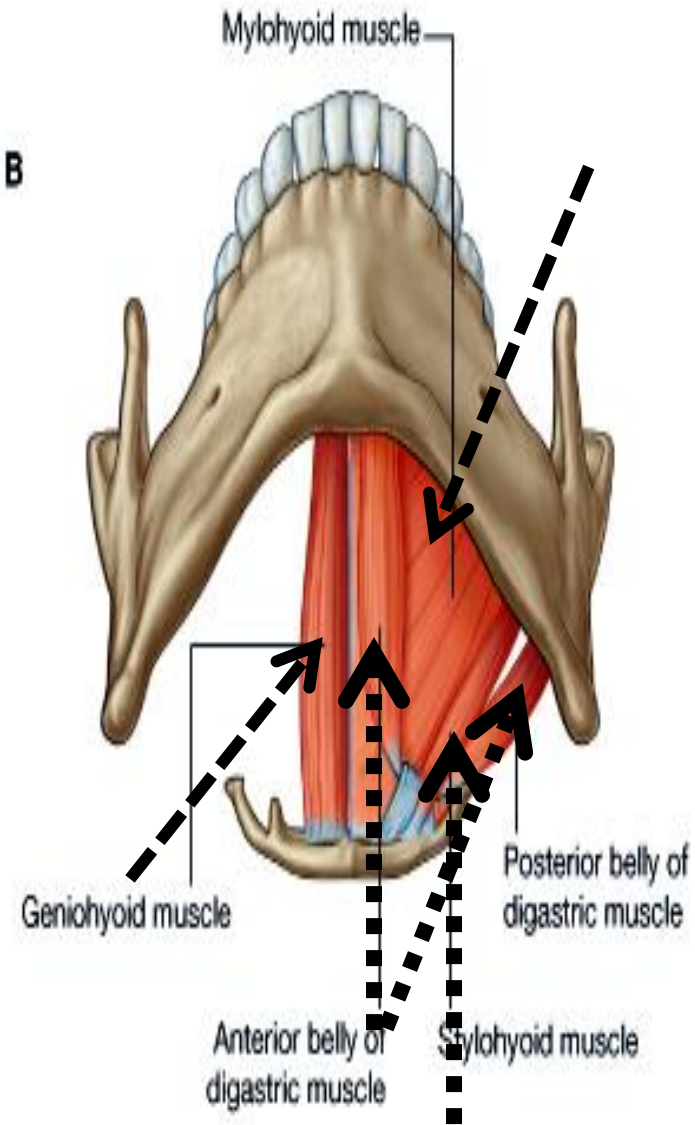
Submandibular (Suprahyoid) region includes structures in the area between mandible and hyoid bone.



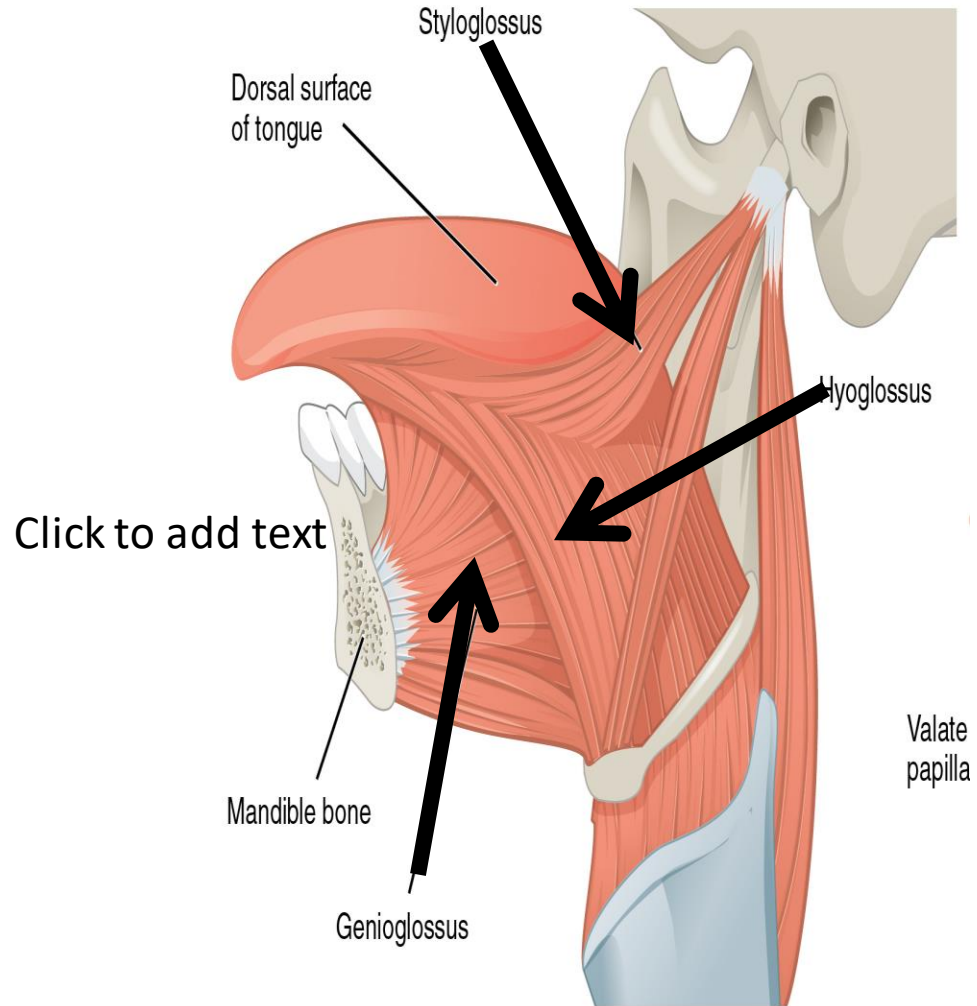
# Contents:

## 1) Muscles:

a) **Suprahyoid muscles:** digastric, stylohyoid, mylohyoid and geniohyoid.

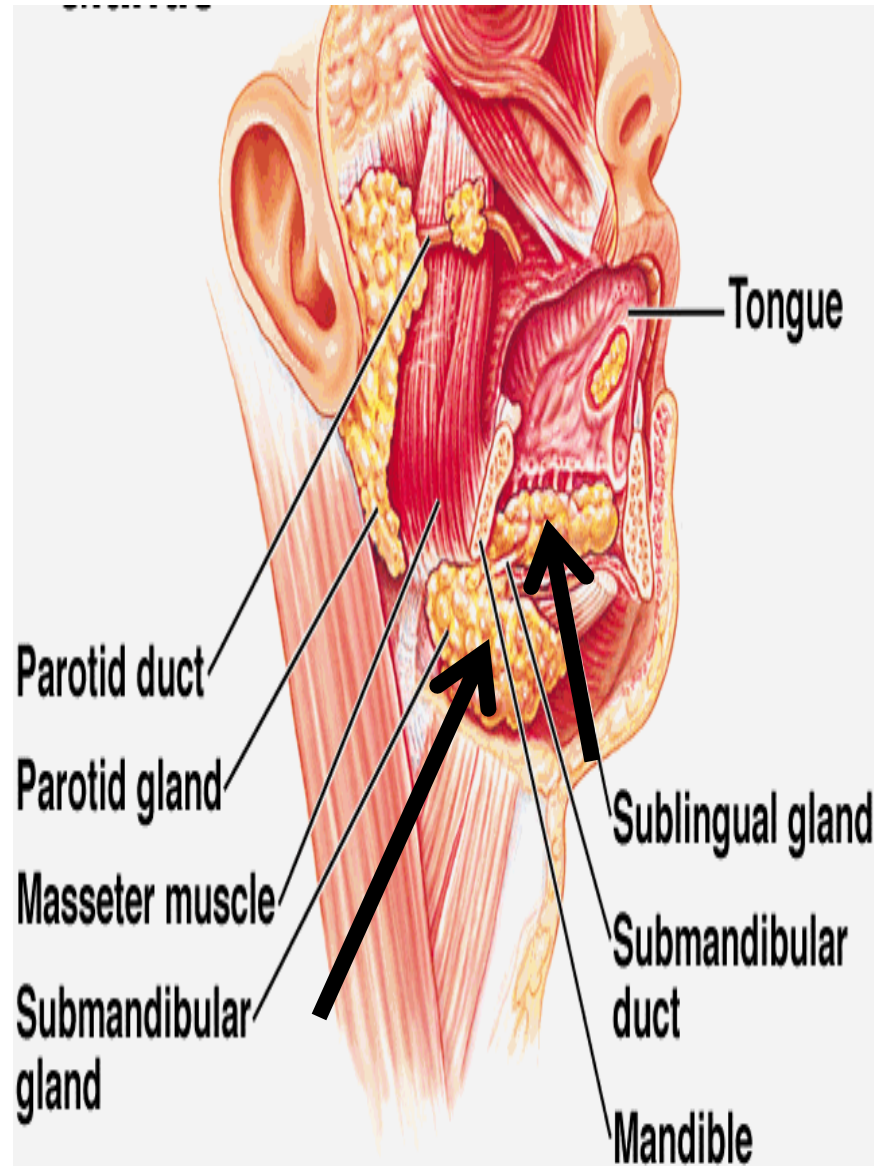


**b) Extrinsic  
muscles of tongue:  
styloglossus,  
hyoglossus and  
genioglossus.**



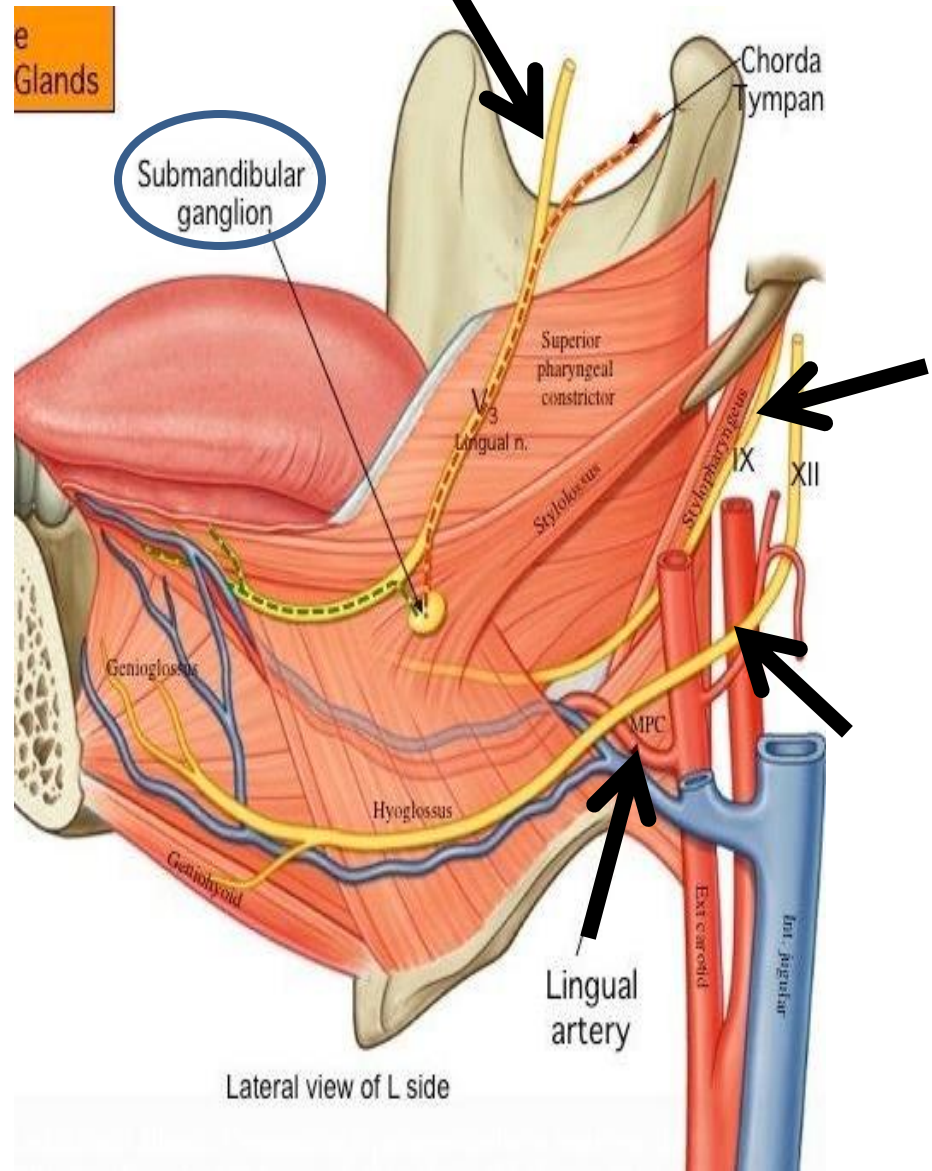
(a) Extrinsic tongue muscles

**2) Glands:**  
Submandibular  
and sublingual  
salivary glands.



3) **Nerves:** Lingual (Submandibular ganglion), glossopharyngeal and hypoglossal nerves

4) **Blood vessels:** Lingual and facial vessels



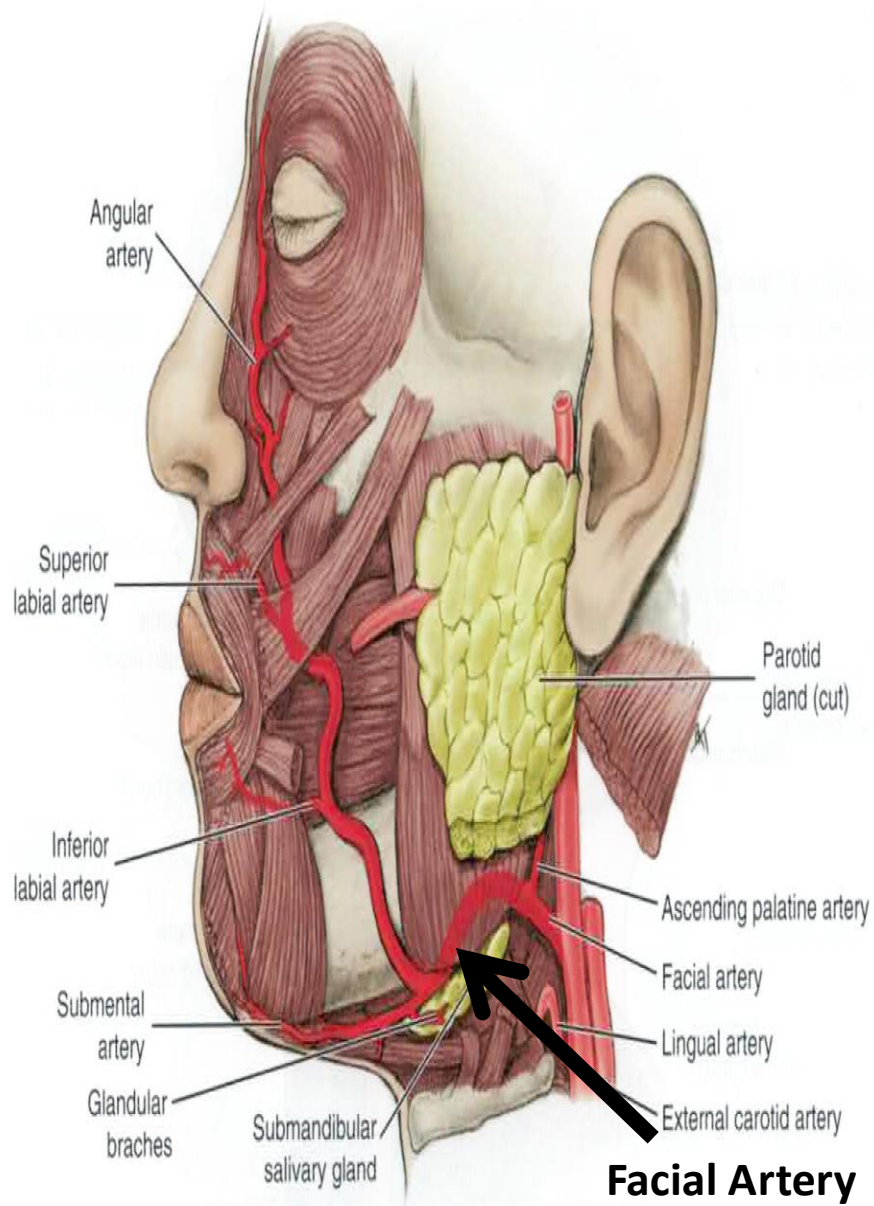


FIGURE 6-6 Pathway of the facial artery.

# *Digastric muscle*

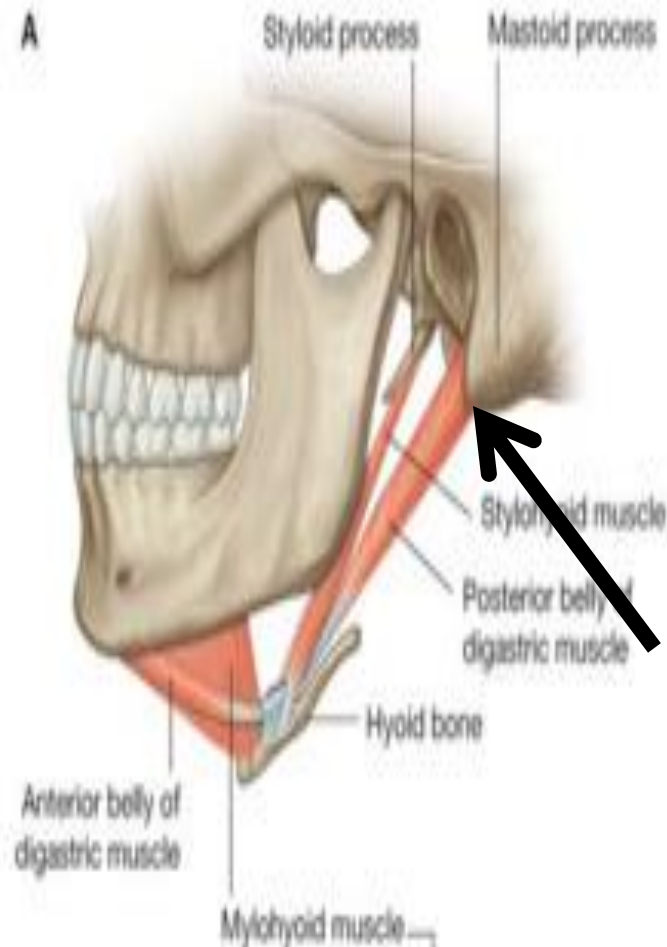
**Origin :**

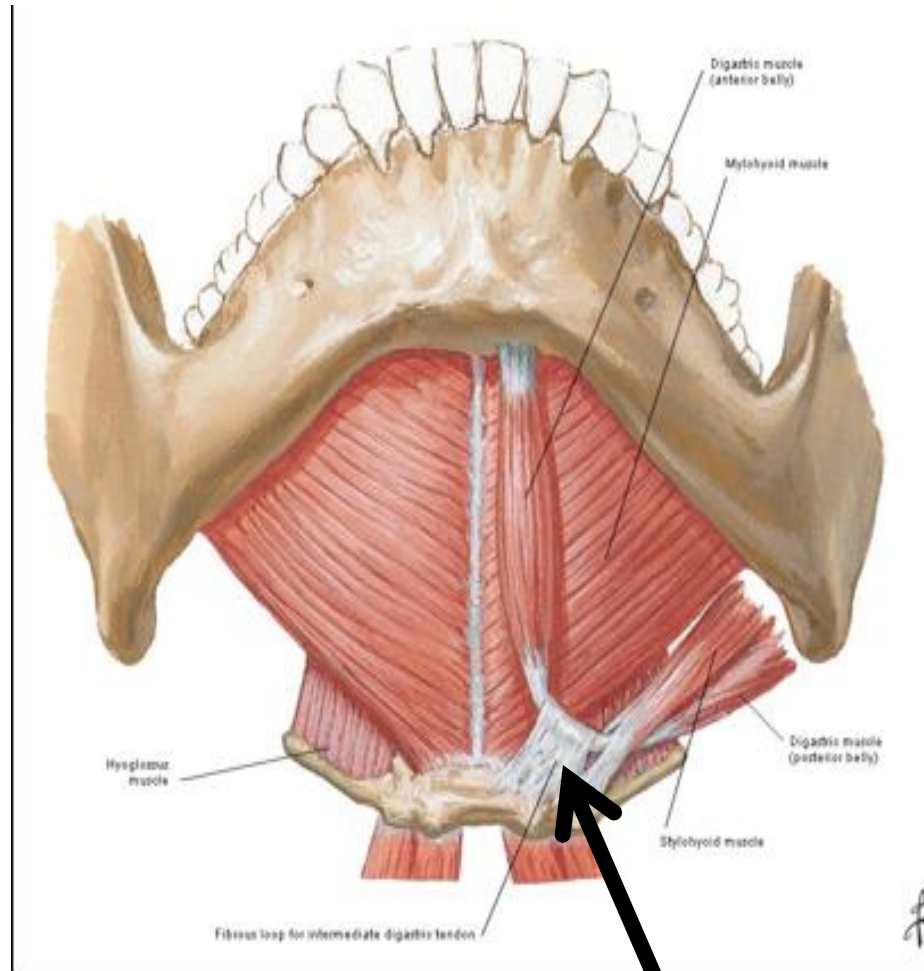
**a) Anterior belly:**

Digastric fossa of the mandible

**b) Posterior belly:**

Digastric notch on medial surface of mastoid process.





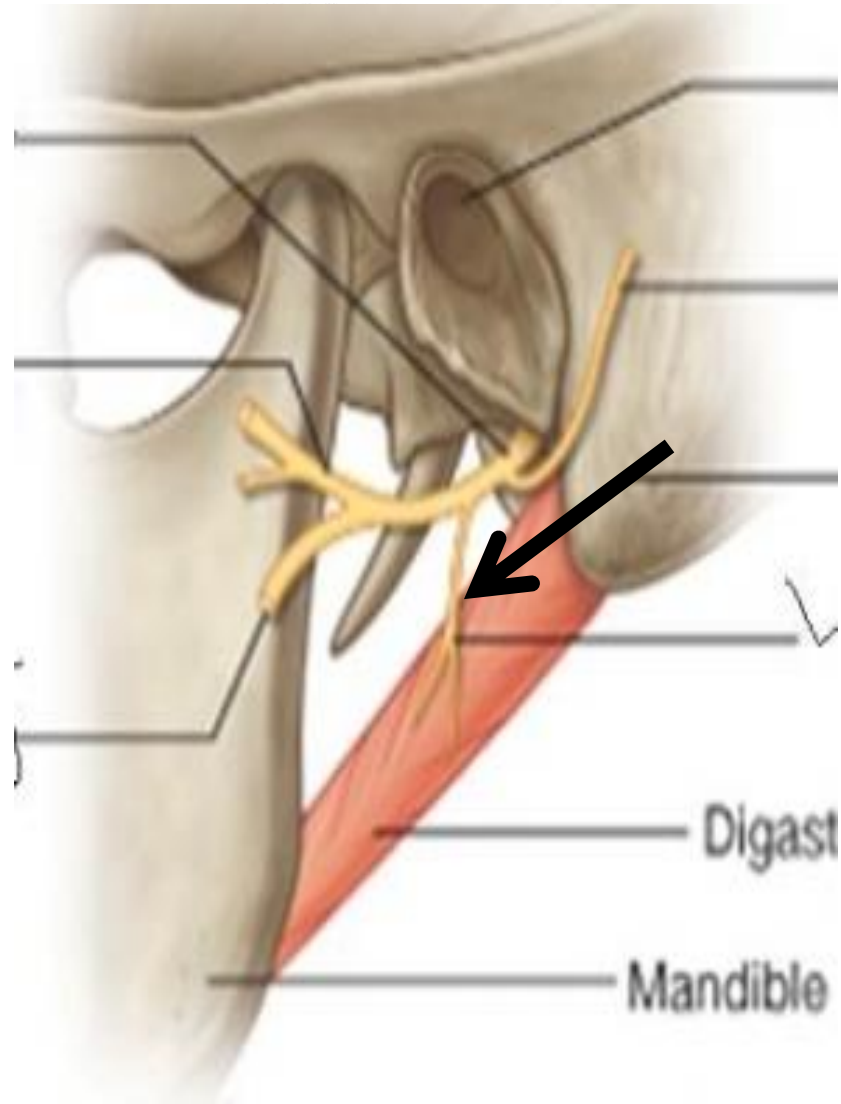
**Insertion:**

Intermediate tendon which is held to hyoid bone by a fibrous loop

**Nerve supply:**

a) Anterior belly: n.  
to mylohyoid

b) Posterior belly:  
Facial n.



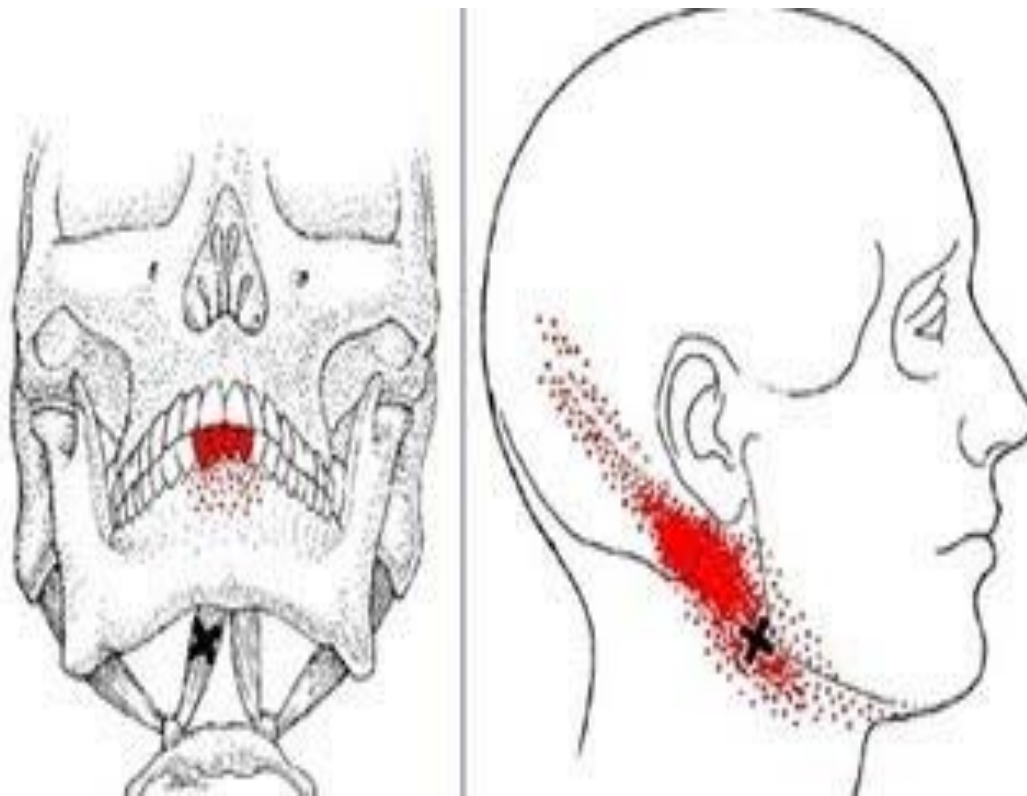


## Action:

a. If the hyoid bone is fixed, it depresses the mandible (helping lateral pterygoid m.).

b. Elevate hyoid bone during swallowing.





Problems occur in the digastric because of habitual mouth breathing, which often occurs from chronic sinus problems, nasal blockage such as from nasal polyps, or a deviated septum. Each belly of the digastric has its own referred pain patterns. The most widespread and common pain is referred from the posterior belly and this causes pain in the upper part of the sternocleidomastoid.

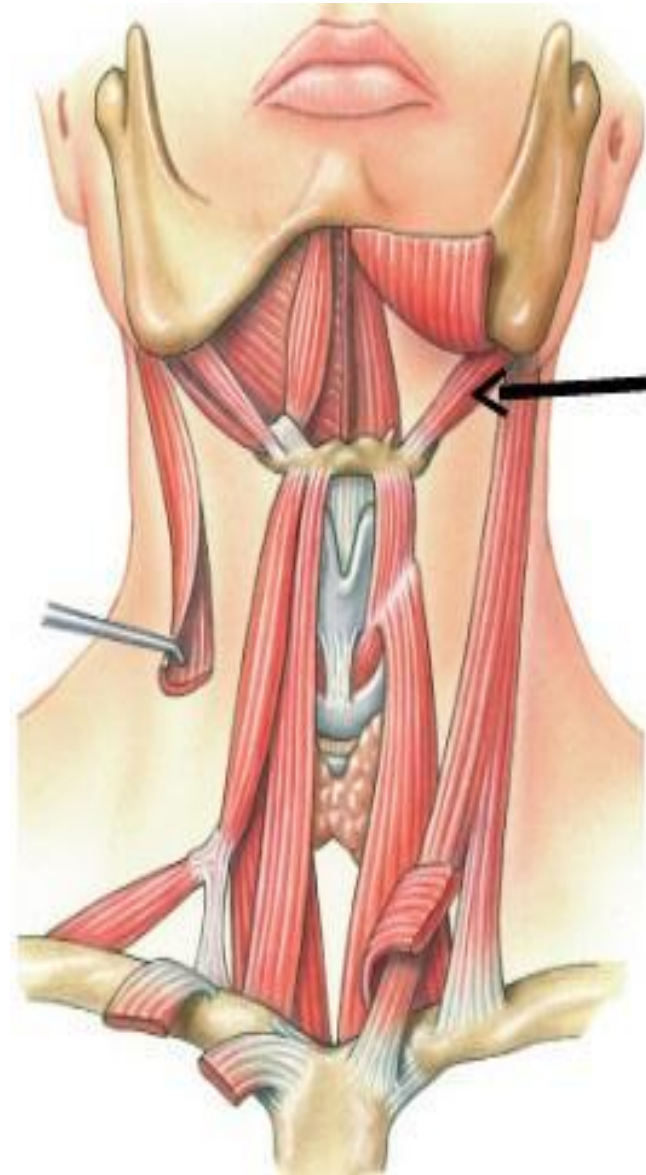
# Stylohyoid muscle

## Origin:

Posterior surface of styloid process.

## Insertion:

Hyoid bone where its tendon is perforated by the posterior belly of digastric *m.*

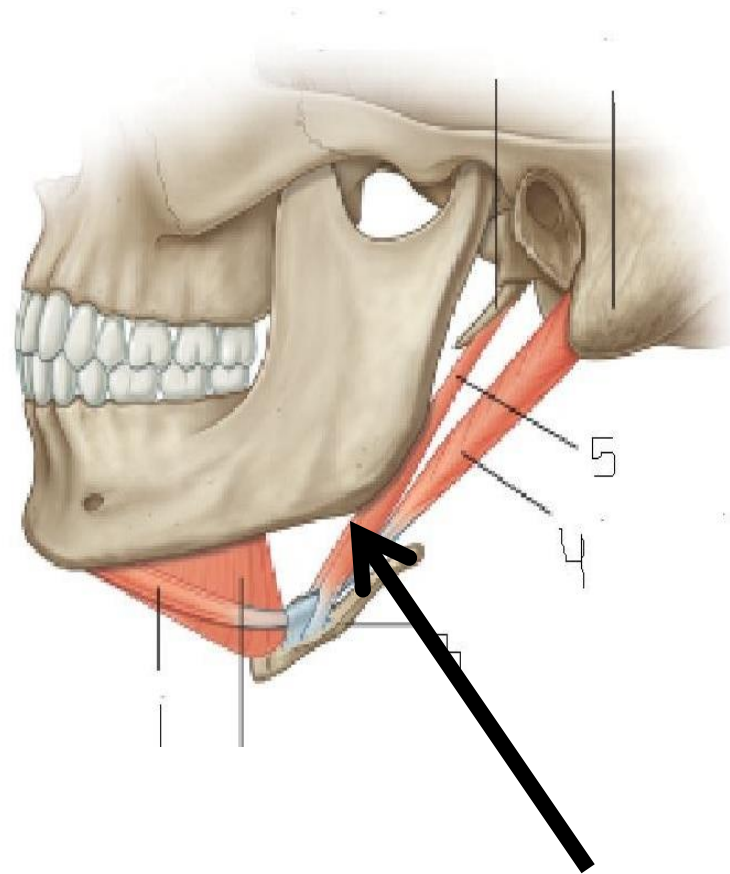


**Nerve supply:**

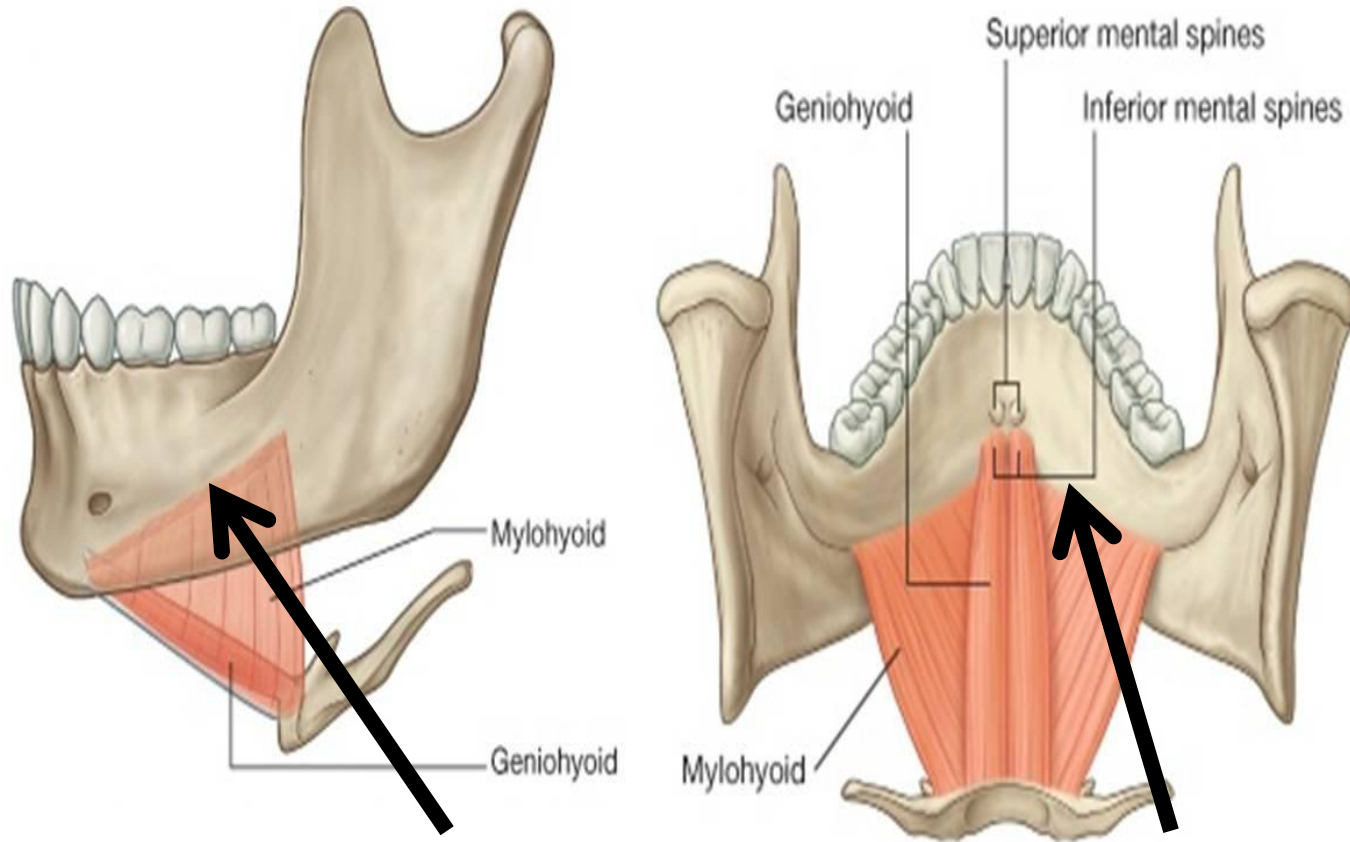
Facial *n.*

**Action:**

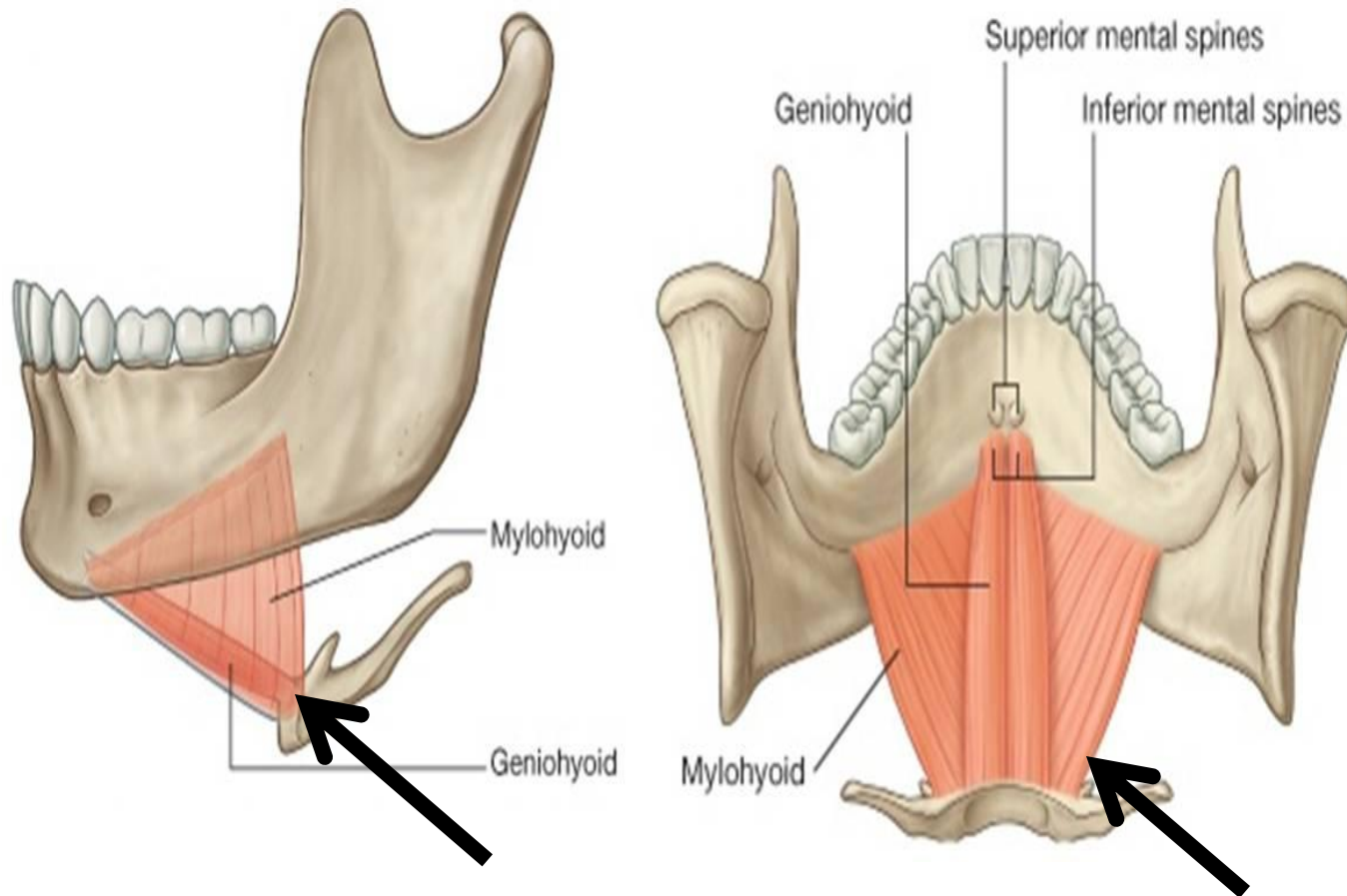
pulls hyoid  
bone upward &  
backward.



# Mylohyoid muscle



**Origin:**  
Mylohyoid line of the mandible.



**Insertion:**

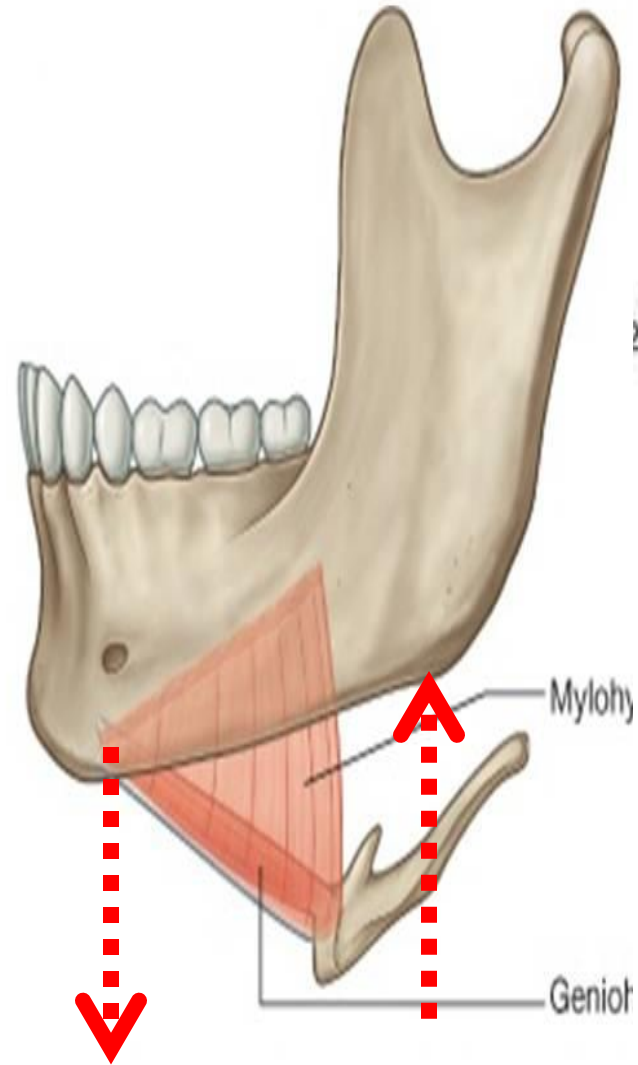
- a) Anterior & middle fibers inserted into the mylohyoid raphe
- b) Posterior fibers into hyoid bone.

## Nerve supply:

Nerve to Mylohyoid

## Action:

- Elevates the floor of mouth during the early stage of swallowing.
- Helps in depression of the mandible (*if the hyoid bone is fixed*).
- Supports the floor of the mouth (called diaphragma oris).



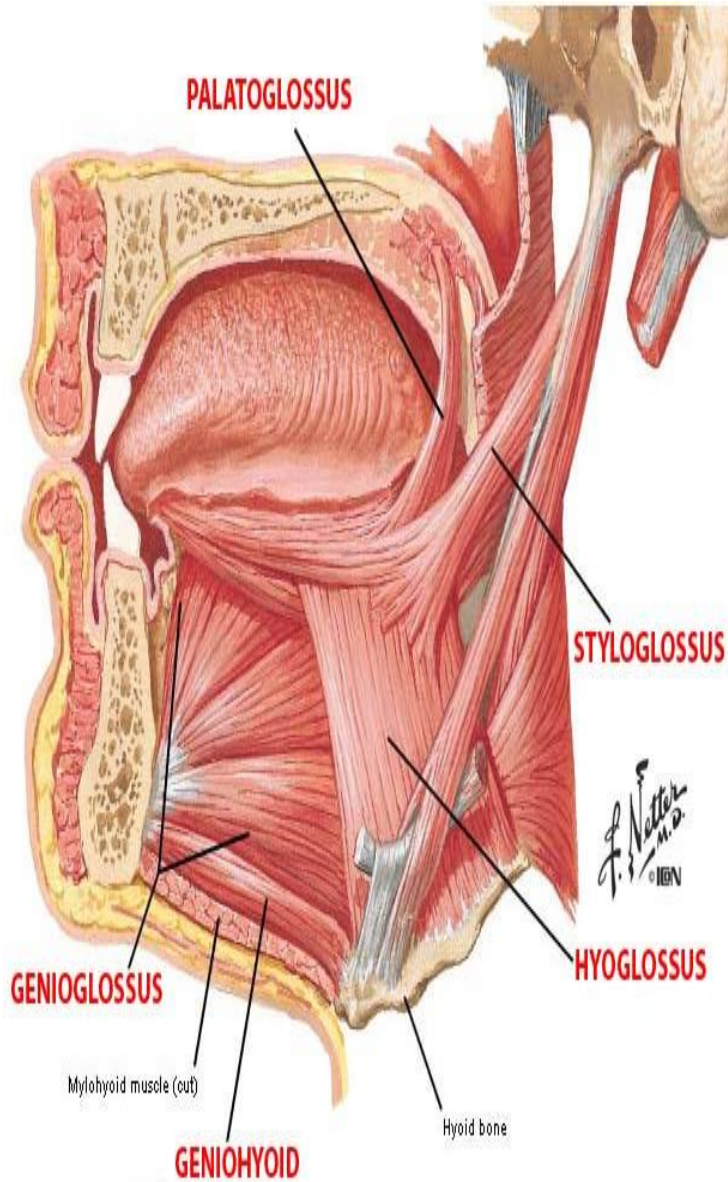
# Geniohyoid muscle

**Origin:**

Inferior genial  
tubercle of body of  
mandible

**Insertion:**

body of hyoid bone

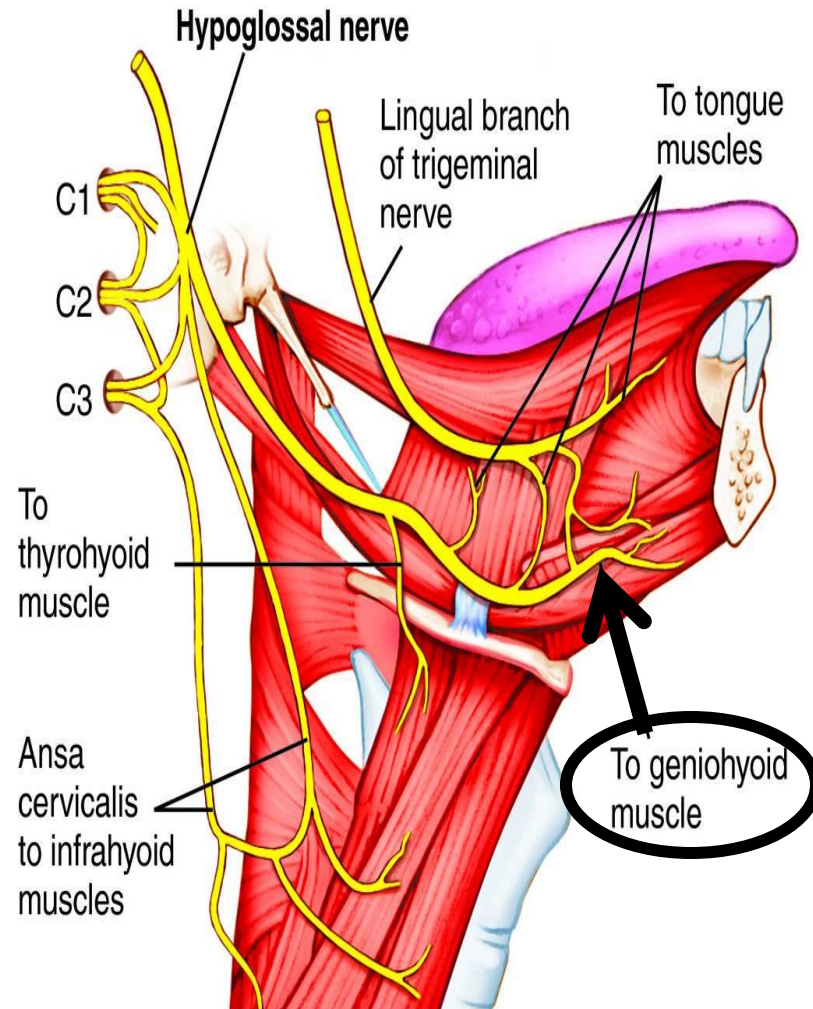


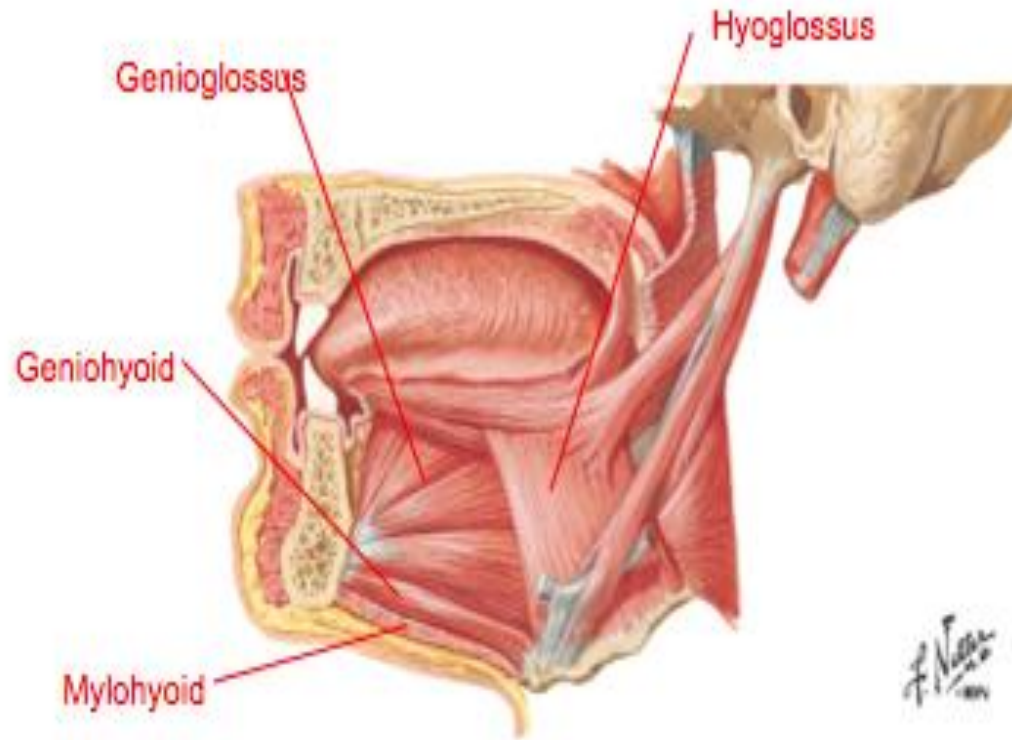


**Nerve supply:**

**C<sub>1</sub> via**

**Hypoglossal n**





**Action :**

Elevates hyoid bone, or depresses the mandible (*if the hyoid bone is fixed*).

# Hyoglossus muscle

**Origin:**

Hyoid bone

**Insertion:**

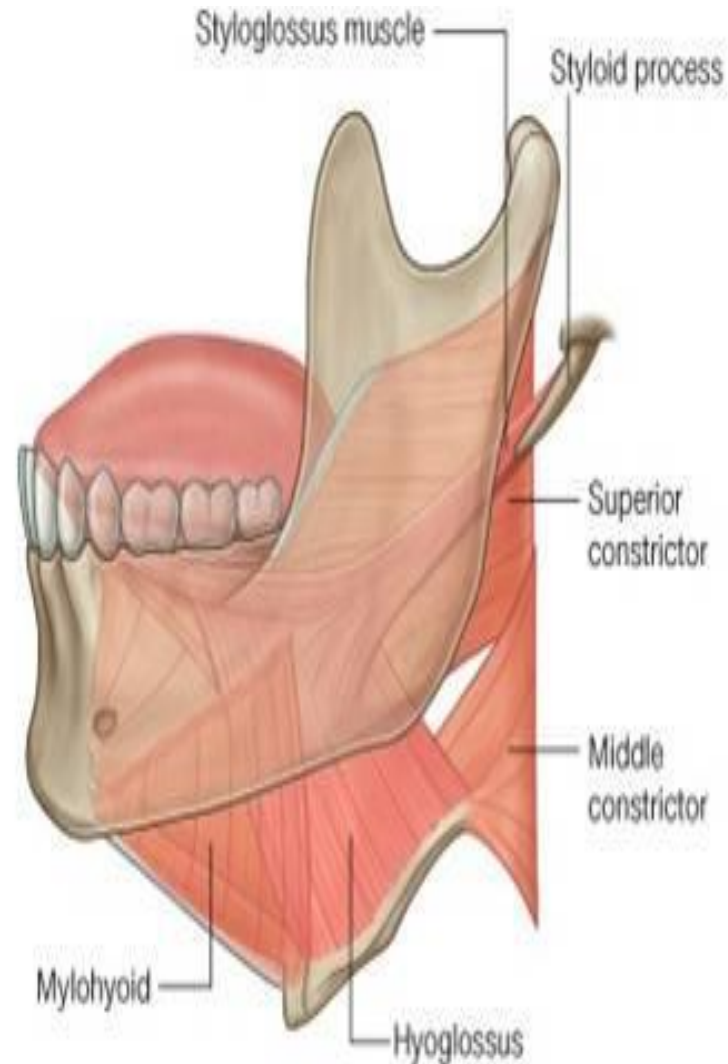
Its fibers run upward

**deep to**

**mylohyoid** to end in

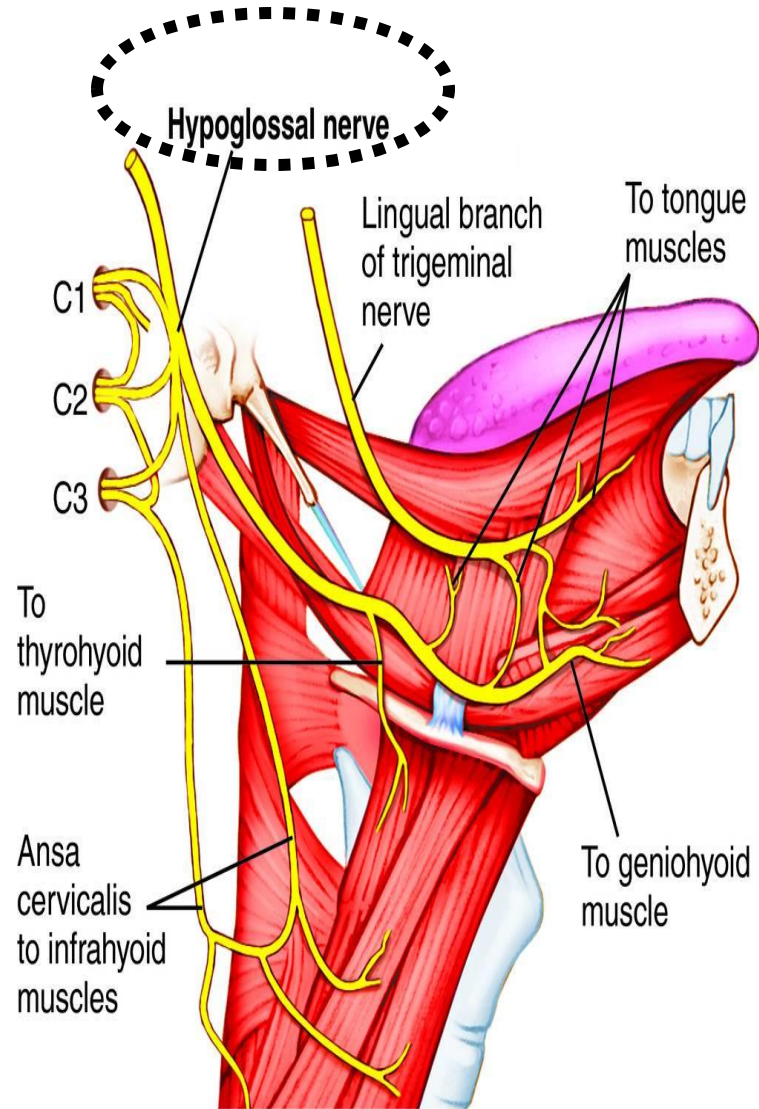
posterior  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the side of

the tongue



**Nerve supply**  
Hypoglossal nerve.

**Action:**  
Depression of the  
tongue during  
swallowing



## Relations of hyoglossus muscle:

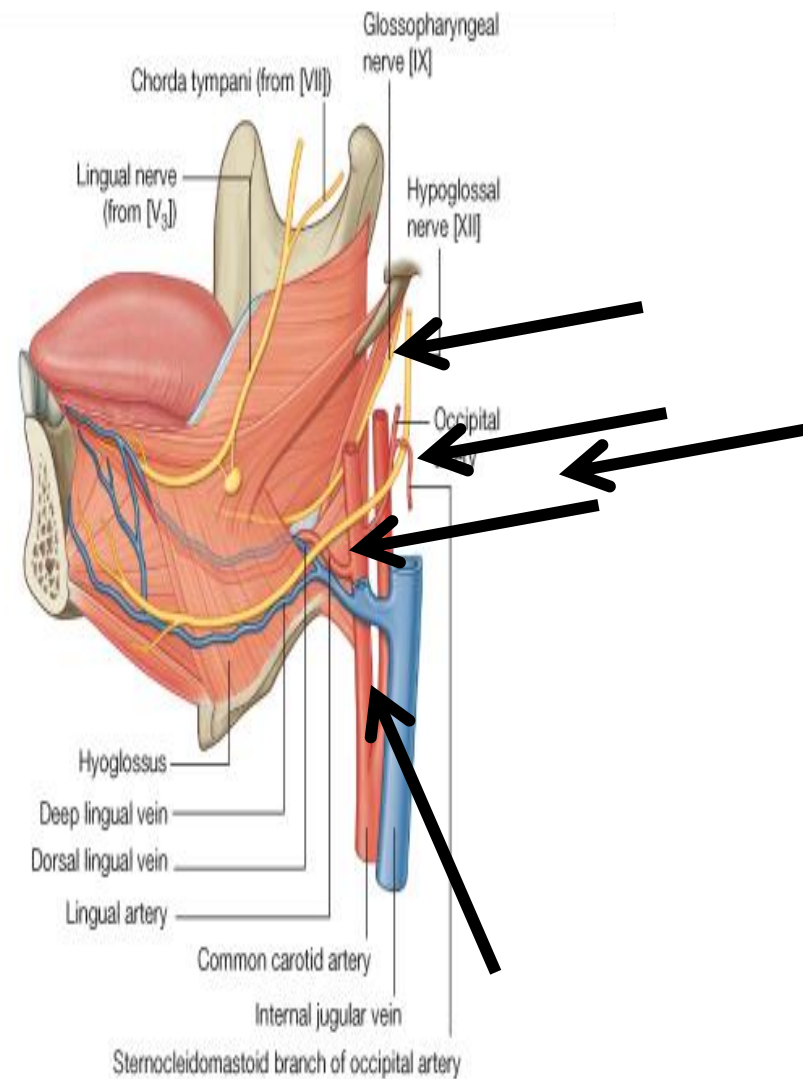
a) Superficial (lateral):

. 2 muscles: styloglossus & mylohyoid.

. 2 nerves: lingual n. + submandibular ganglion + hypoglossal nerve.

. Gland: deep part of submandibular gland. + submandibular duct.

. Vessel: deep lingual vein



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## *Genioglossus*

### **Origin:**

Upper genial  
tubercle  
of mandible

### **Insertion:**

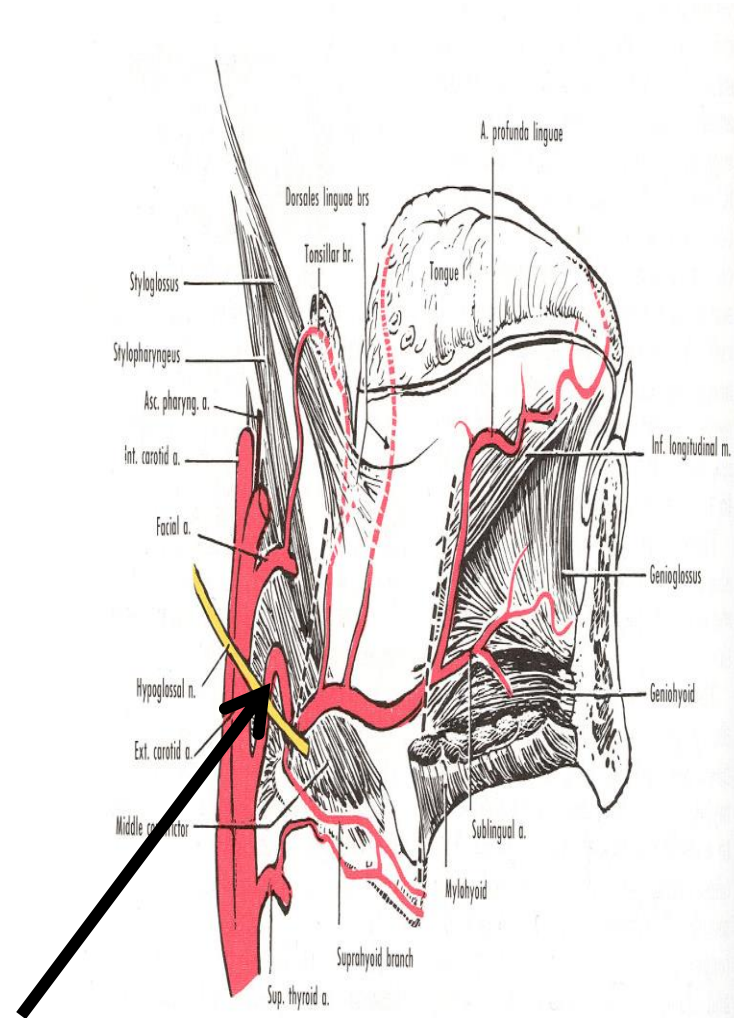
Whole length of  
under surface of  
tongue



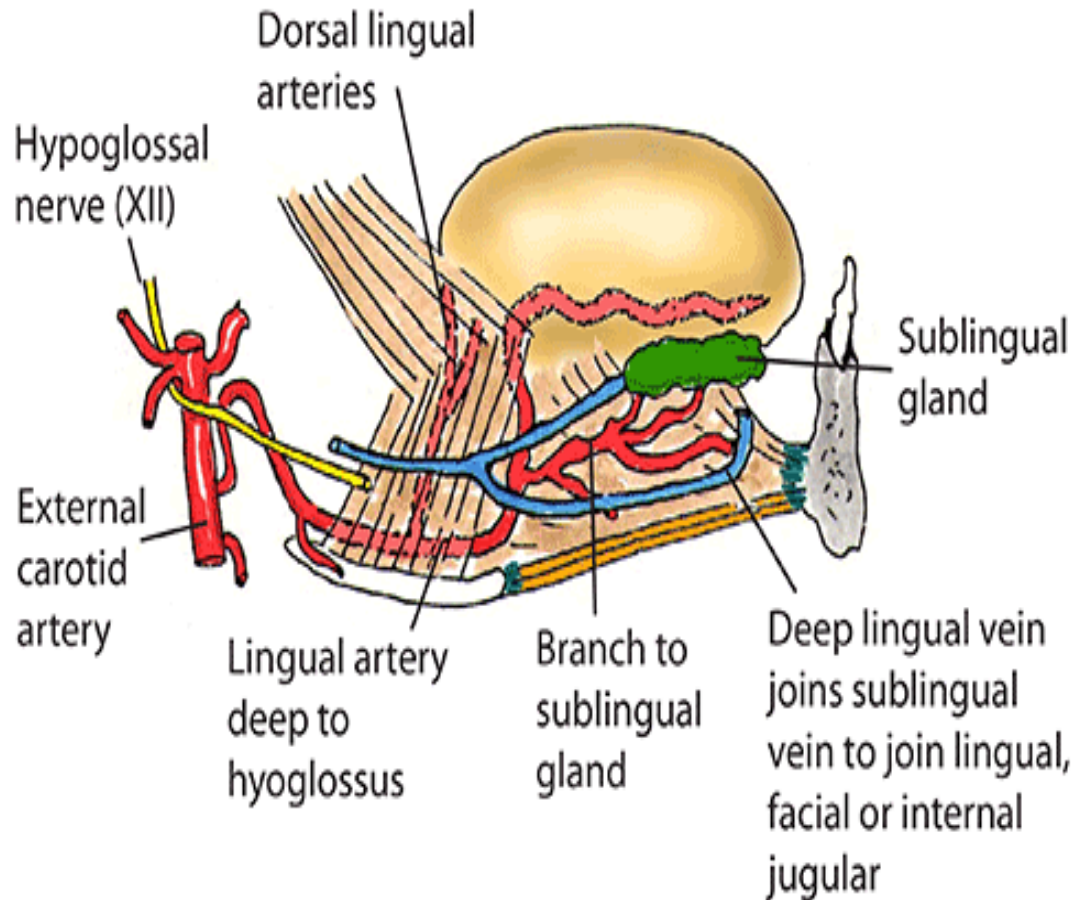
# Lingual artery

**Origin:** from anterior aspect of ECA in carotid triangle

Its course is tortuous & is divided by hyoglossus m. into 3 parts

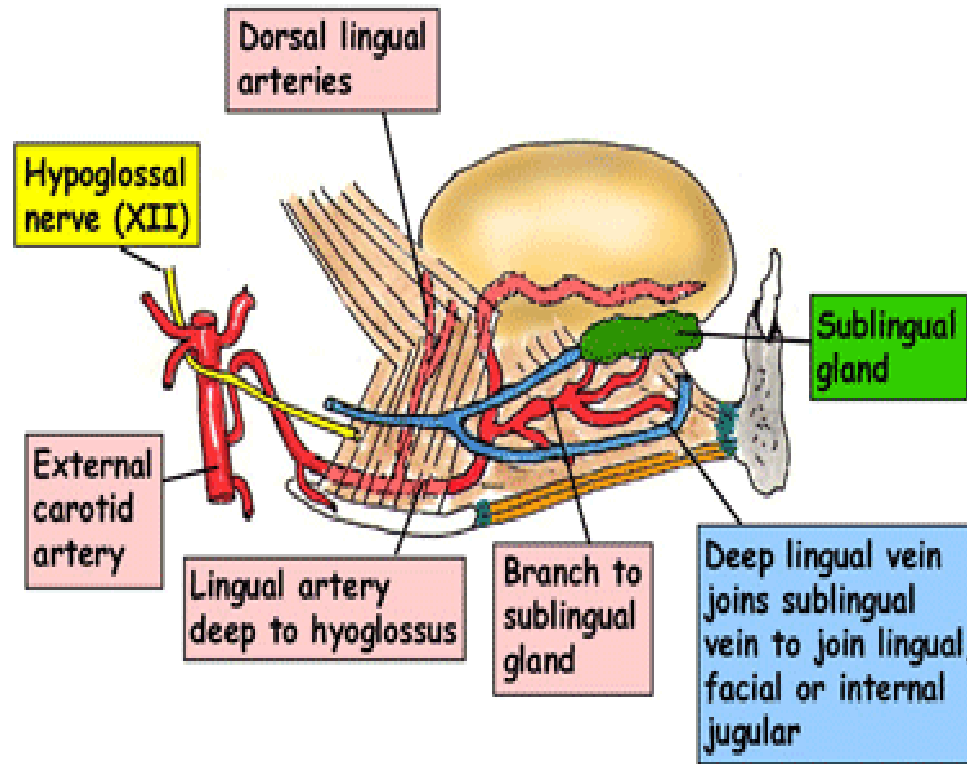


# TONGUE - LINGUAL ARTERY



**1st part (before the m.):** forms a loop opposite the greater cornu of hyoid bone, crossed superficially by the hypoglossal n.



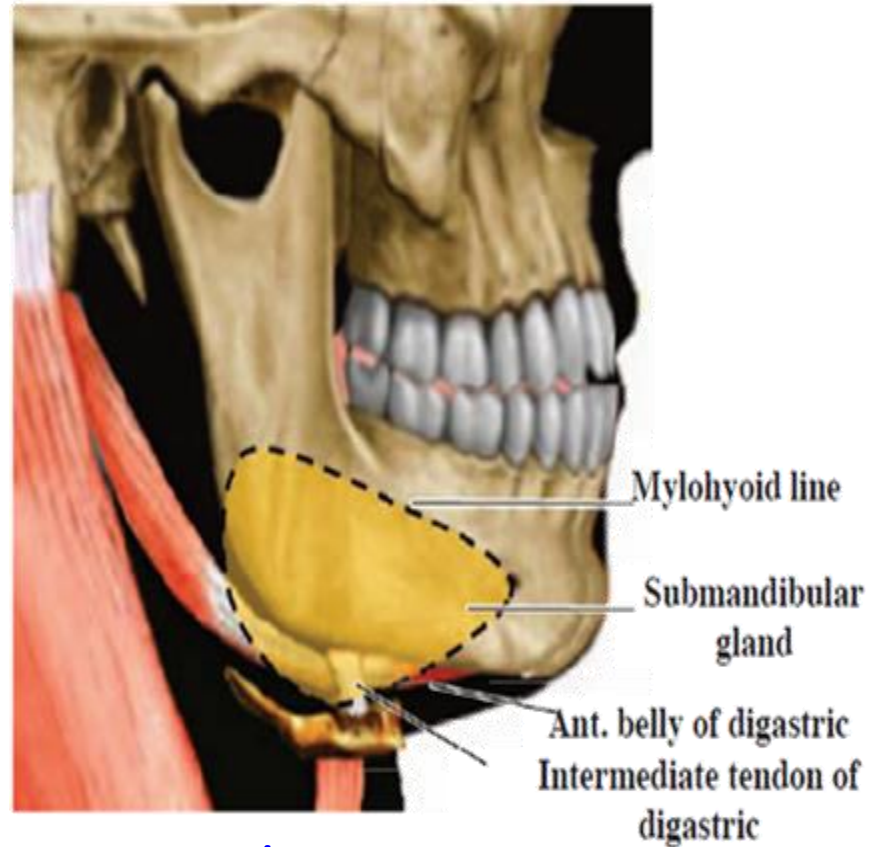
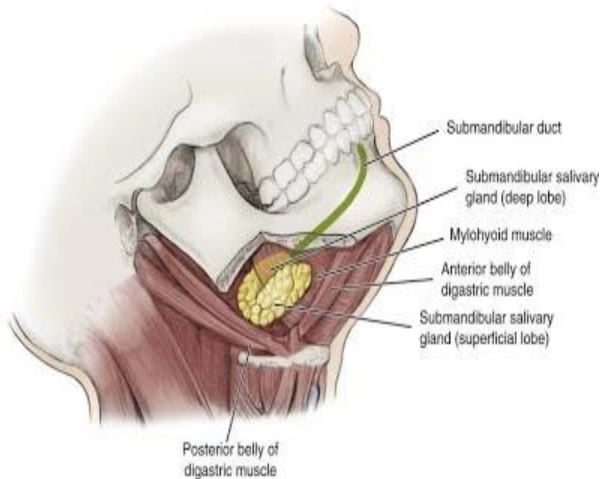


*b. 2nd part (behind the m.).*

*c. 3rd part (beyond the m.), ascends along the anterior border of hyoglossus then runs on the under surface of tongue to end by anastomosing with its fellow of the opposite side*

*Submandibular gland*

# Site and extent

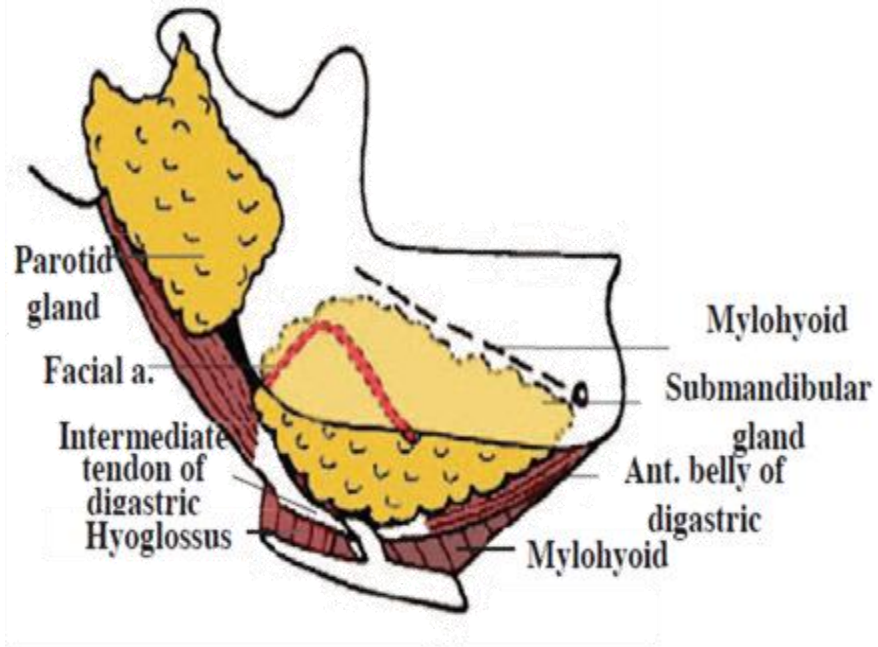
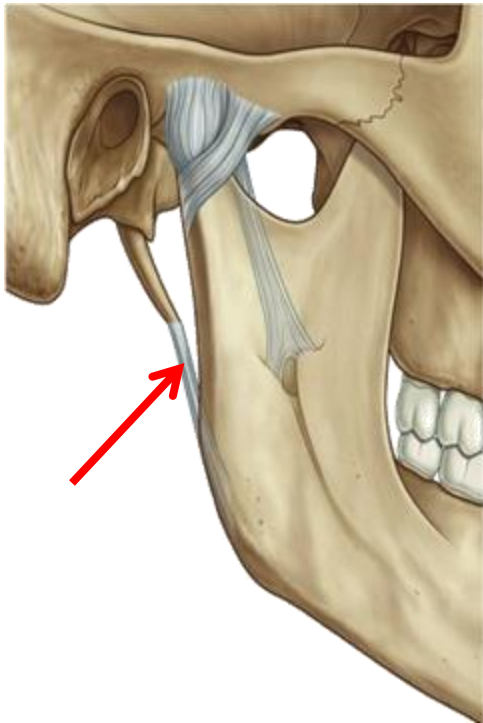


It lies deep to the body of mandible in **digastric** triangle.

1. **Superiorly**: up to mylohyoid line.

2. **Inferiorly**: overlaps intermediate tendon of the digastric.

3. **Anteriorly**: reaches anterior belly of digastric.



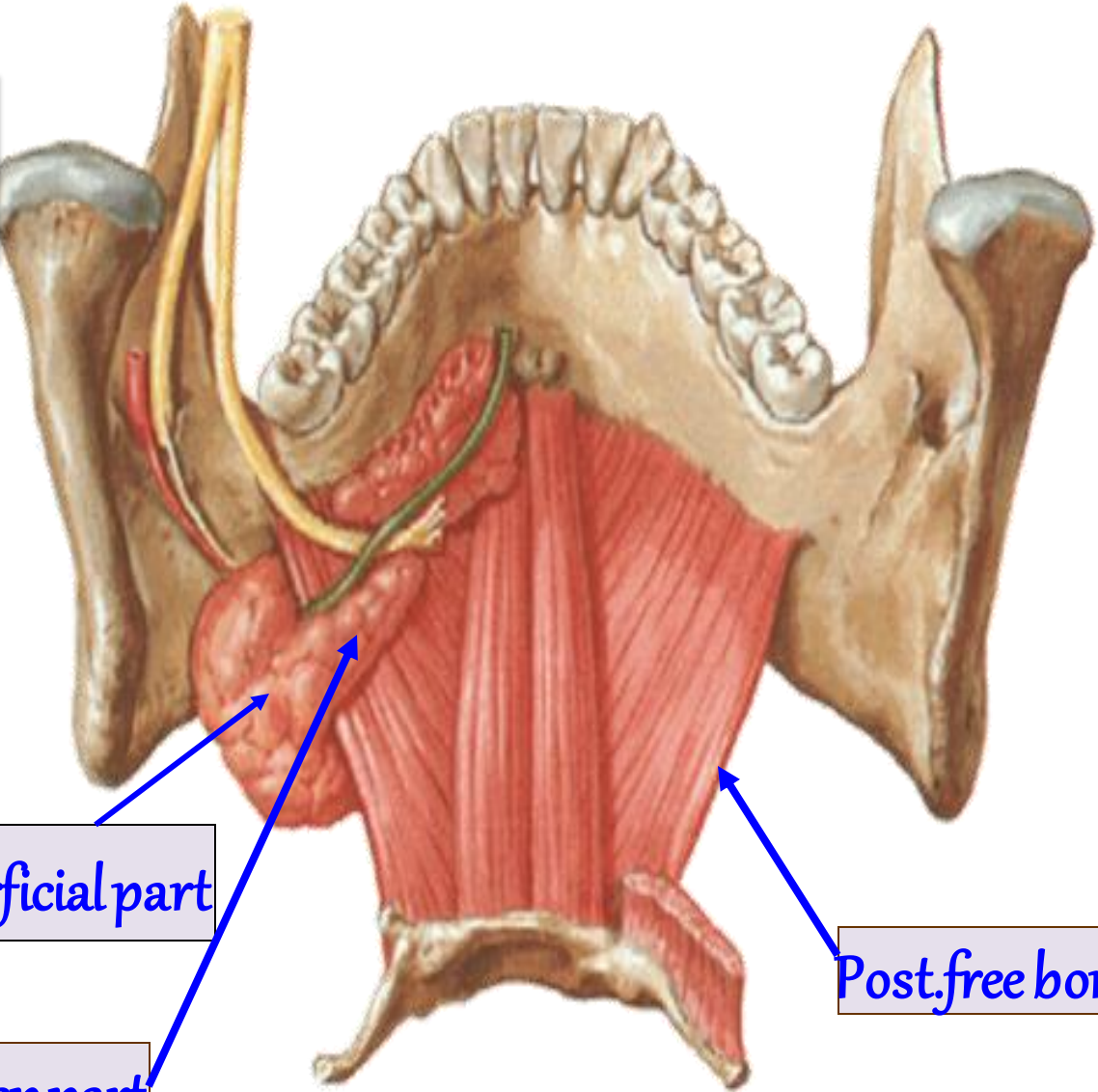
4. Posteriorly: reaches Stylomandibular ligament which separates it from the parotid gland.

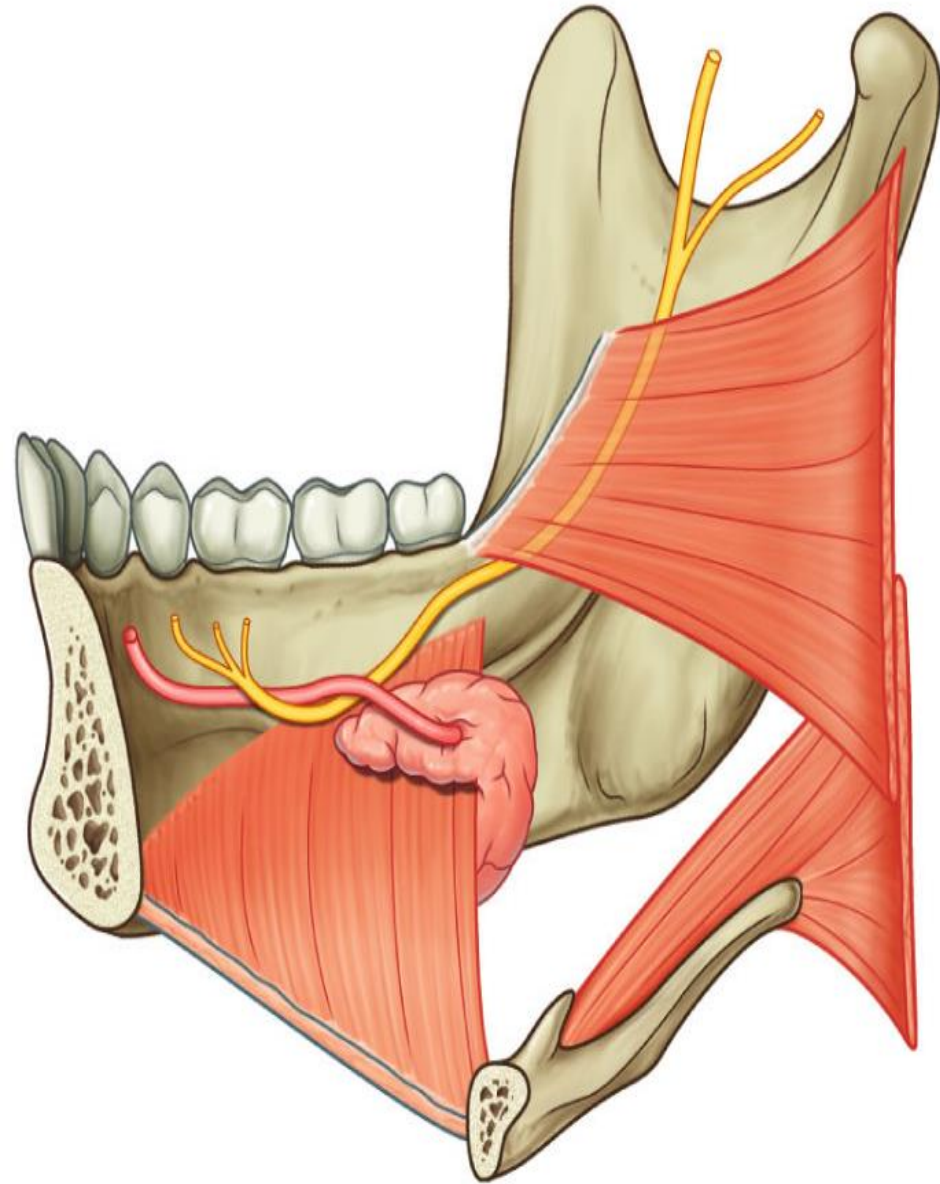
# Parts

Superficial part

Deep part

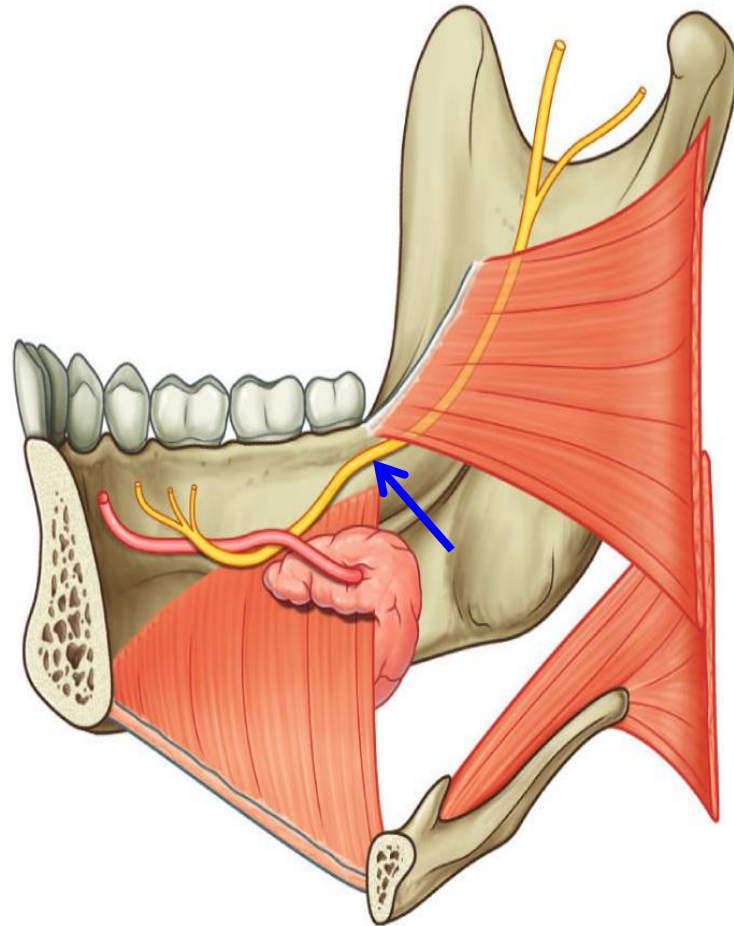
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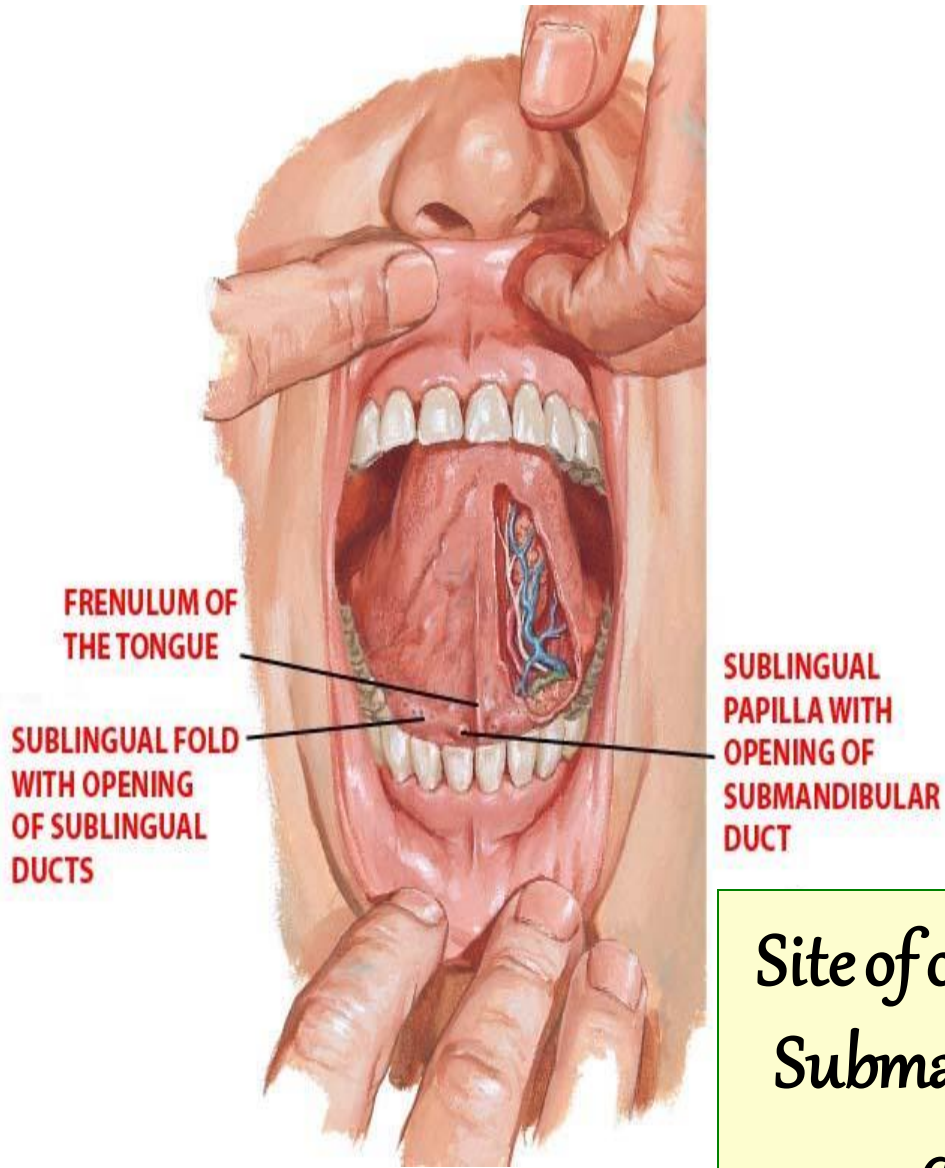




## Relation between lingual nerve & Submandibular duct

1. Lingual nerve is lateral to the duct.
2. Then inferior.
3. Finally medial.





FRENULUM OF THE TONGUE

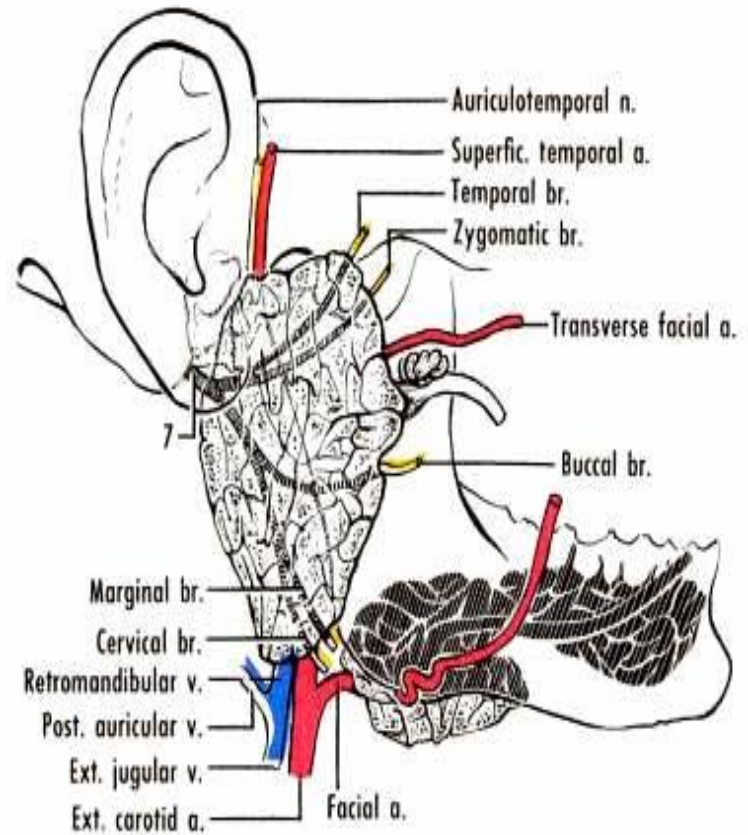
SUBLINGUAL FOLD WITH OPENING OF SUBLINGUAL DUCTS

SUBLINGUAL PAPILLA WITH OPENING OF SUBMANDIBULAR DUCT

Site of opening of Submandibular duct



- Blood supply:- Facial artery.
- Venous drainage :- Common facial vein.
- Lymph drainage:- Submandibular L.N.

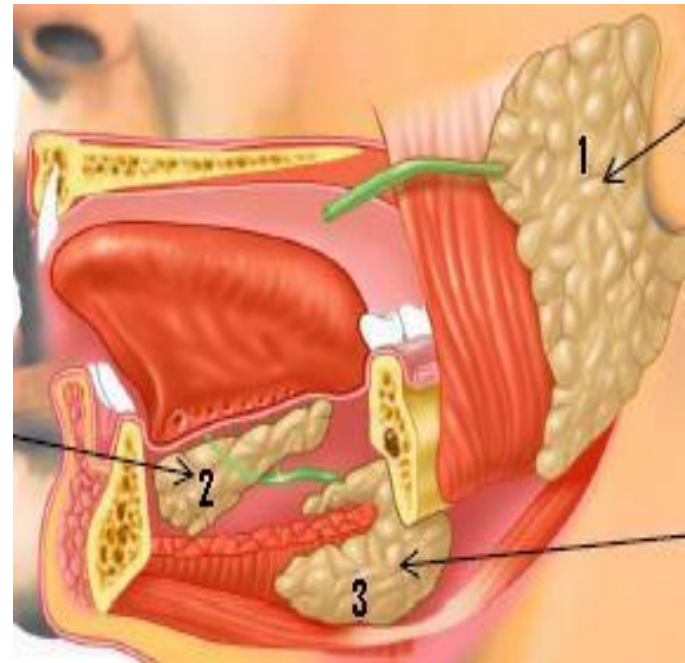


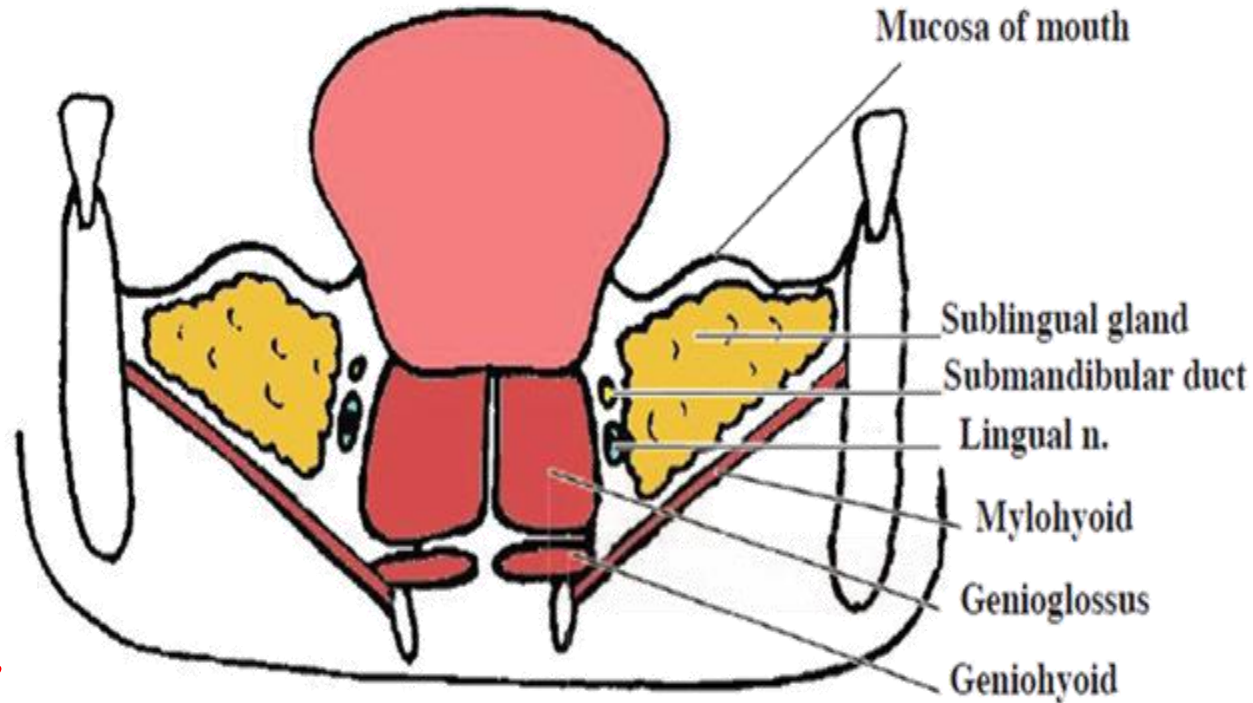
# Sublingual gland

## Site:

1. It occupies sublingual fossa of the mandible.
2. It lies below the mucosa of the floor of the mouth forming the sublingual fold.

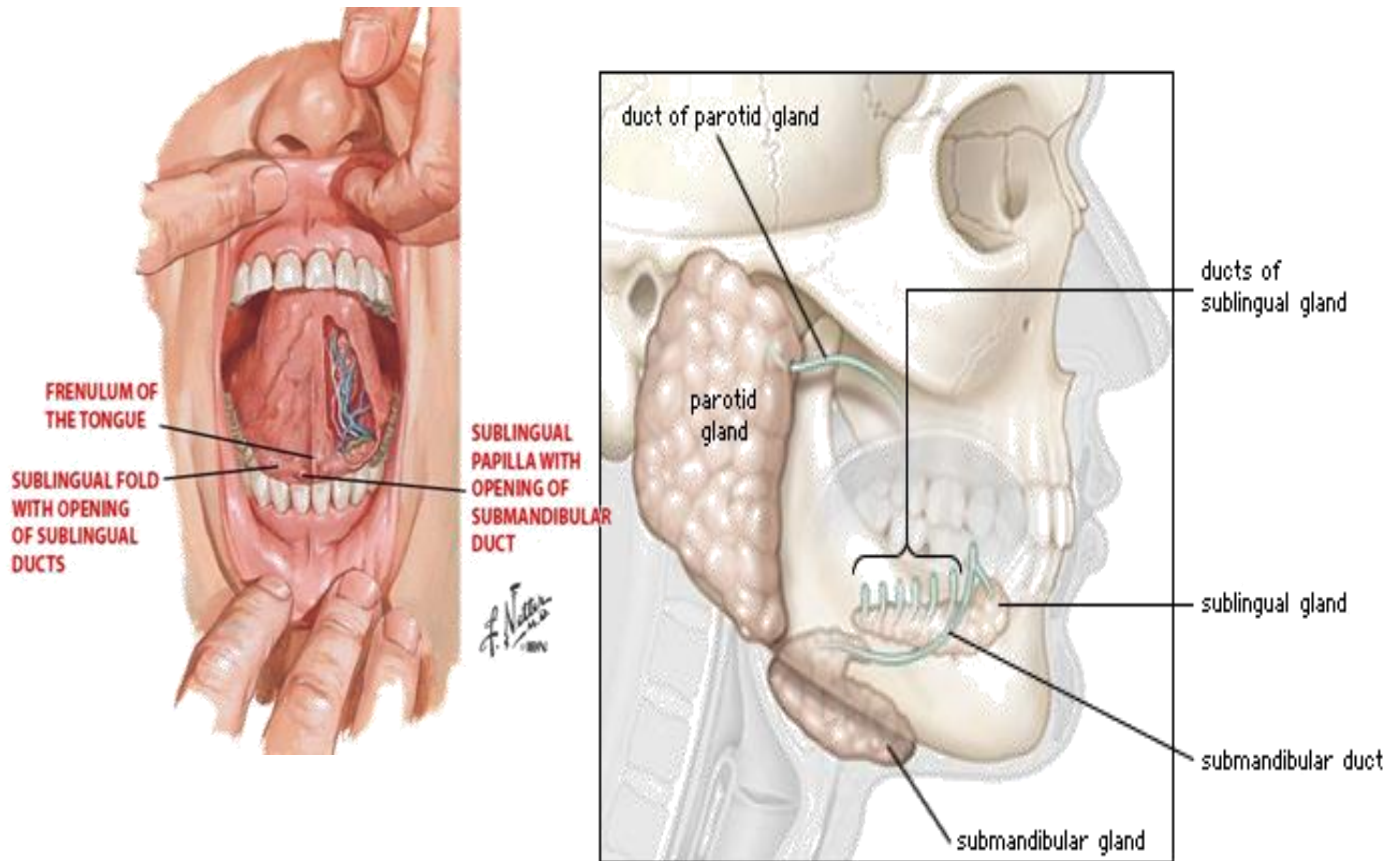
**Shape:** Almond shaped with a wide anterior end & a narrow posterior end



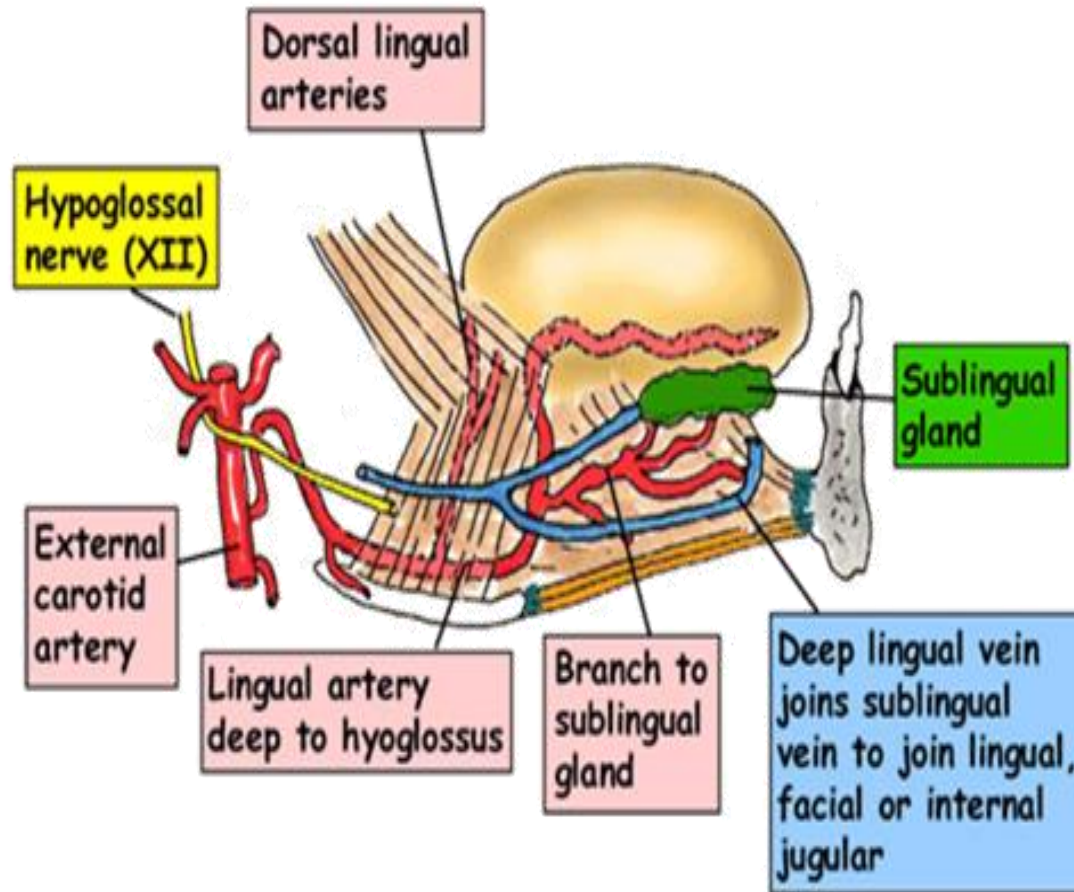


## Relations:

1. Superiorly: mucosa of the floor of mouth.
2. Inferiorly: mylohyoid m.
3. Medially: genioglossus (separated from it by lingual n. & Submandibular duct).
4. Laterally: sublingual fossa of mandible.



□ **Sublingual ducts:** 8-20 small ducts that open separately on the summit of the sublingual fold in the floor of the mouth on the side of the frenulum.



**Blood supply:** Sublingual branches of lingual a. + Submental branches of facial a.

**Nerve supply:** similar to the Submandibular gland.

A 65-year-old man is admitted to the emergency department after his head hit in an automobile collision. Radiographic and physical examinations reveal that the inferior alveolar nerve is injured at its origin. Which of the following muscles would most likely be paralyzed as a result?

- A. Geniohyoid
- B. Hyoglossus
- C. Mylohyoid
- D. Stylohyoid
- E. Palatoglossus



**Thank you**