

# **ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY OF SALIVARY GLANDS**

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# INTRODUCTION

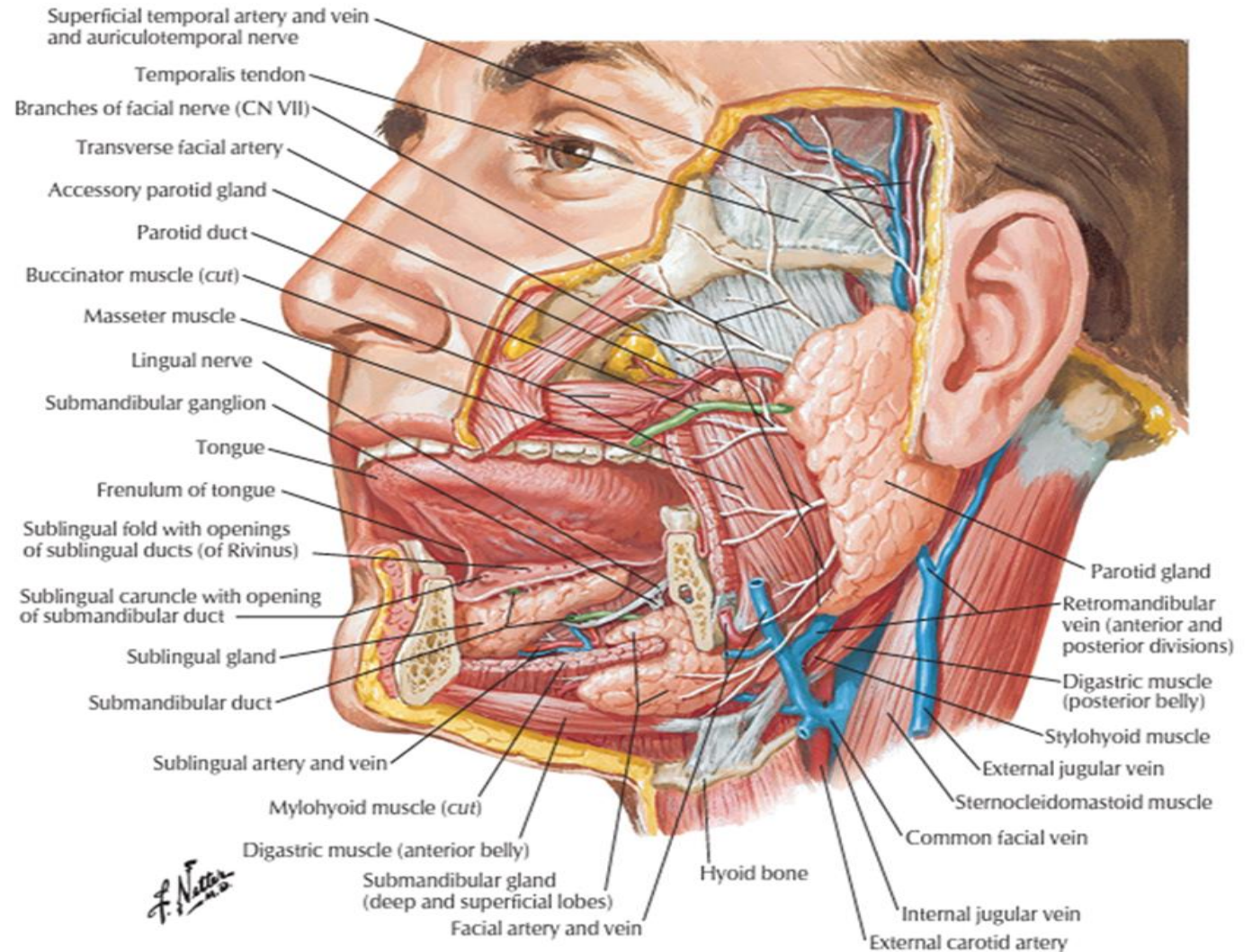
## SALIVARY GLANDS –

### ○ MAJOR –

- PAROTID
- SUBMANDIBULAR
- SUBLINGUAL

### ○ MINOR

- 600-1000 in number



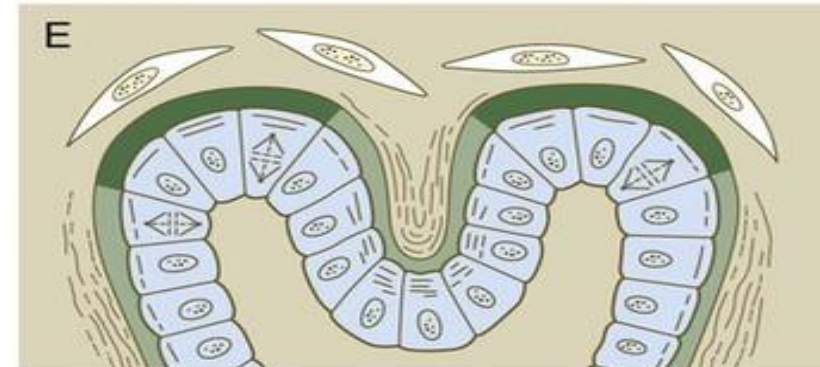
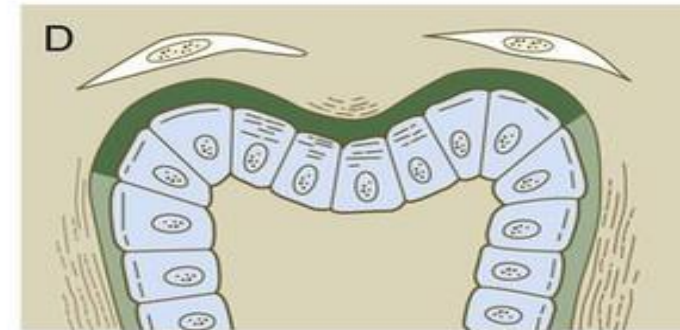
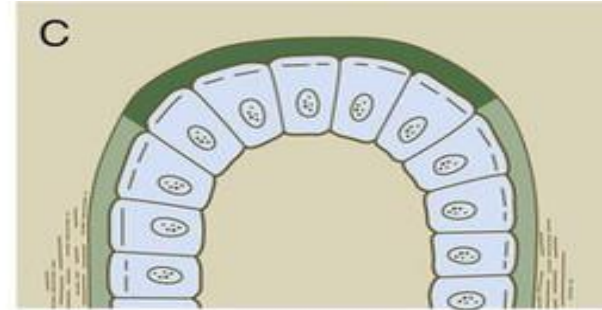
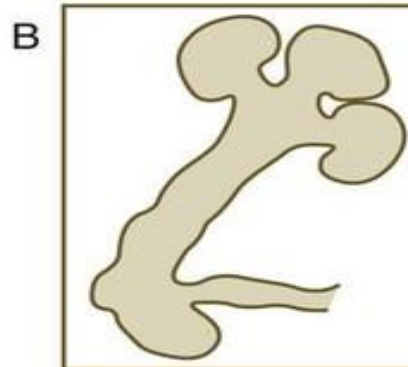
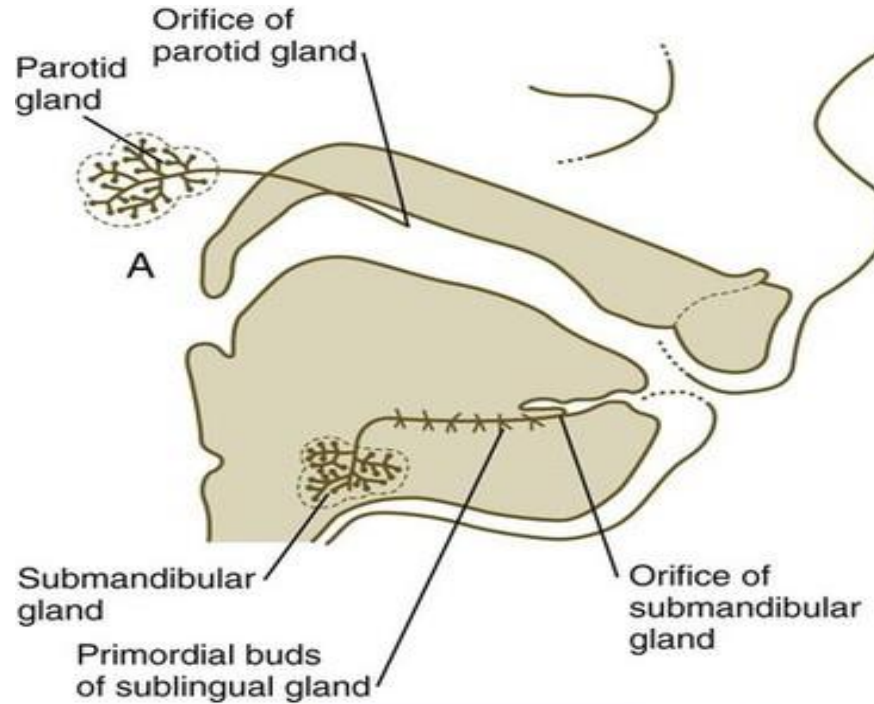
# EMBRYOLOGY

- **MAJOR GLANDS—**

Outpouching of oral ectoderm  
Parotid first develops, last to encapsulate  
Submandibular – 6<sup>th</sup> week  
Sublingual – 8<sup>th</sup> week

- **MINOR GLANDS-**

Oral ectoderm and  
Nasopharyngeal Endoderm

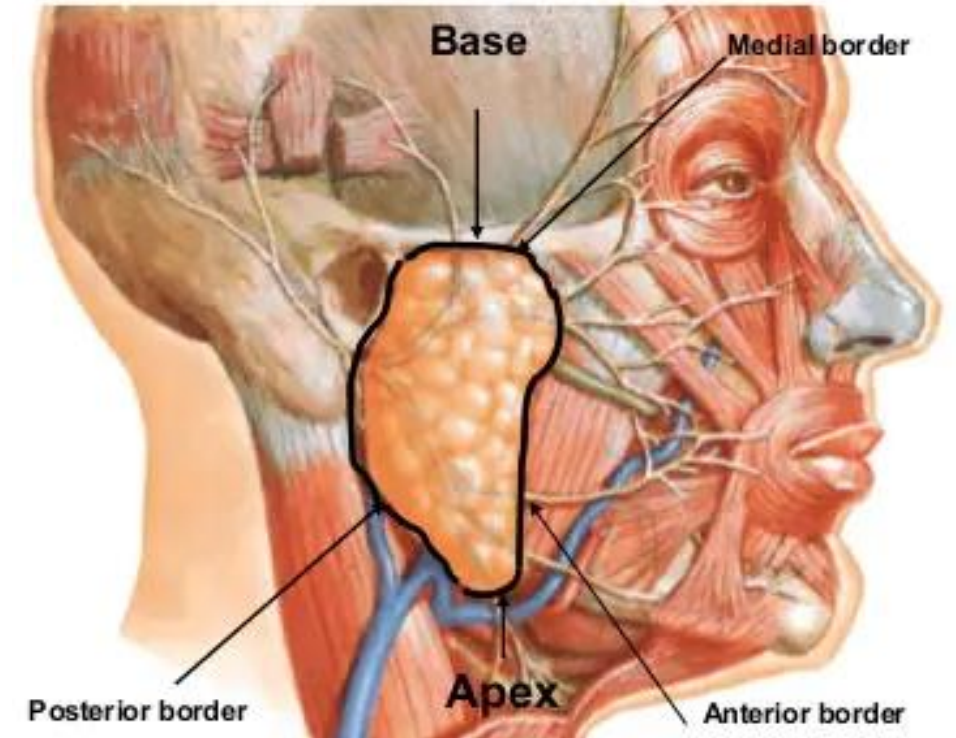
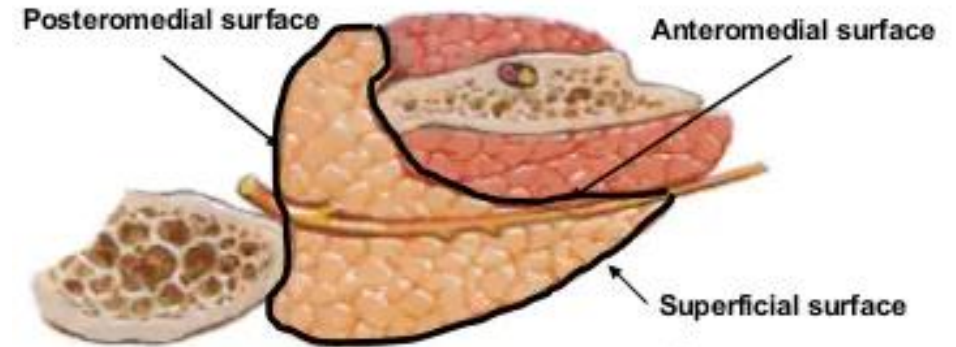




# PAROTID GLANDS

## CLINICAL ANATOMY –

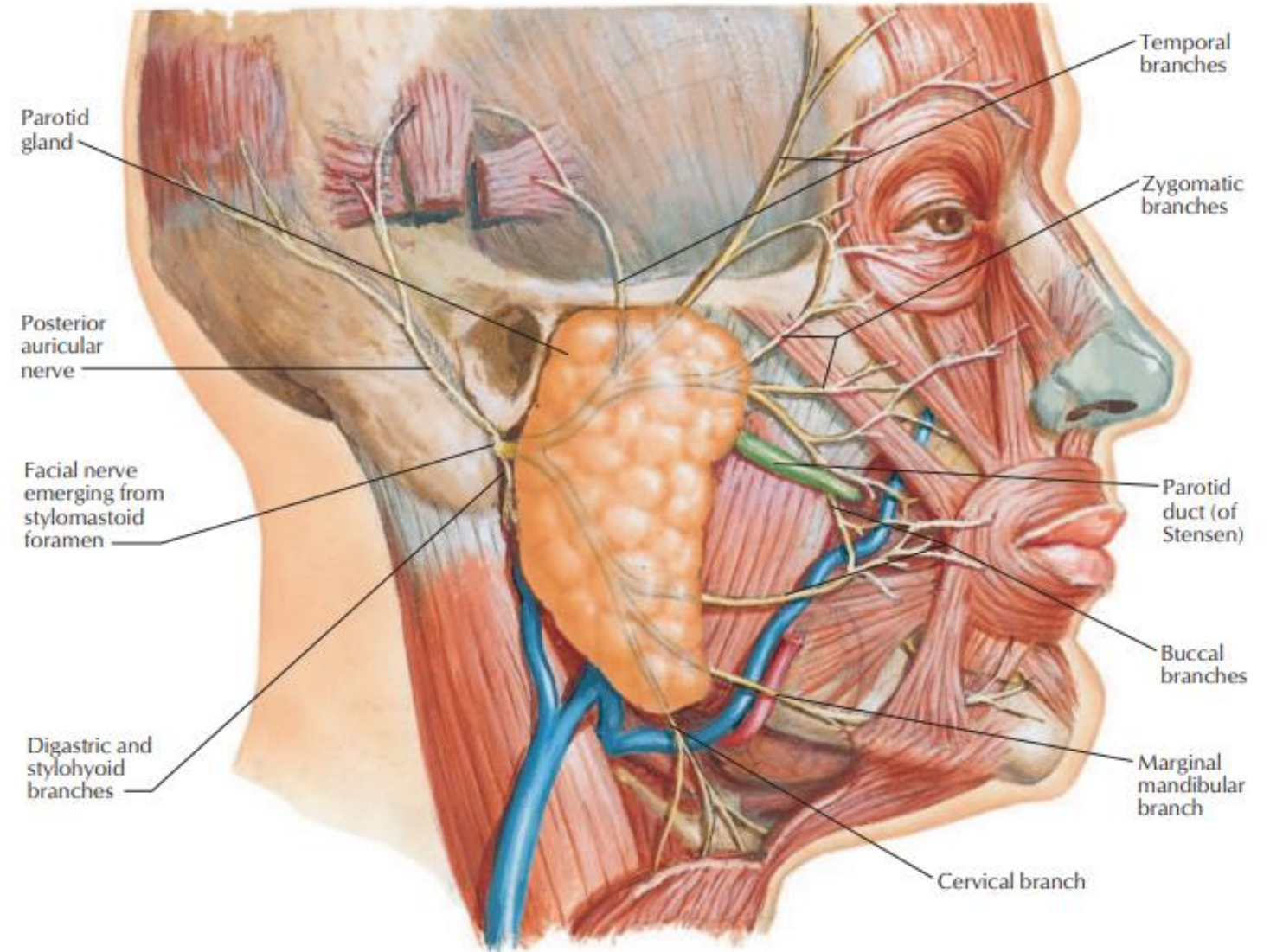
- Largest gland
- Mainly Serous
- Weight – 25gm
- Apex and base
- Three Borders - Anterior
  - Posterior
  - Medial
- Four Surfaces - Anteromedial
  - Posteromedial
  - Superficial
  - Superior



## Relations:

- Laterally – Superiorly – Zygomatic Arch  
Inferiorly – Upper part of Neck
- Anteriorly – Overlies Masseter
- Posteriorly – Below External auditory canal  
Overlies Mastoid process  
Lateral Process of C1
- Medially – Fills gap

## Accessory Parotid Gland



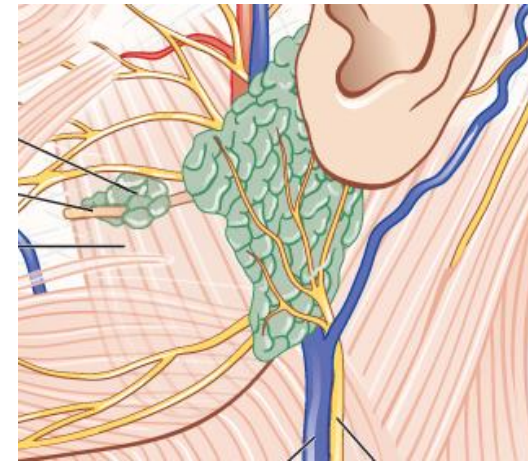
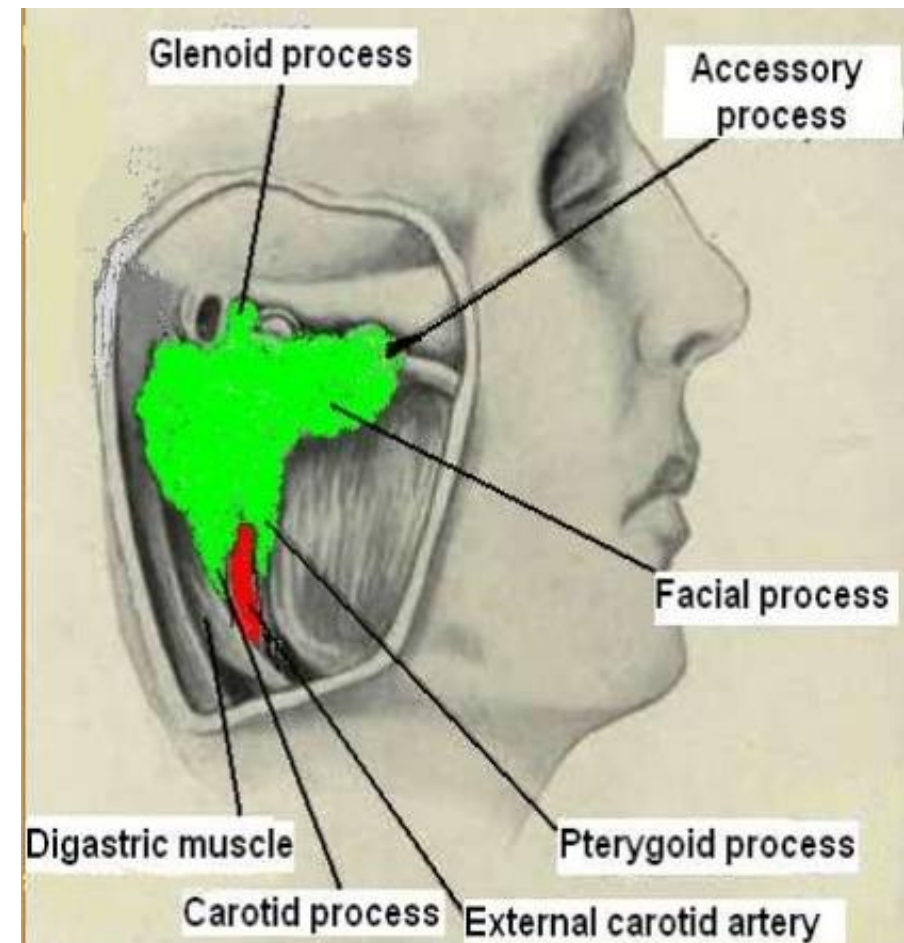


- Parotid has five processes:

1. Glenoid process- ward behind the temporomandibular joint in front of external auditory meatus
2. Accessory process
3. Facial Process- extends anteriorly onto the masseter muscle.
4. Pterygoid Process- extends forward from the deeper part lies between the medial pterygoid muscle & the ramus of mandible
5. Carotid Process- lies posterior to the external carotid artery

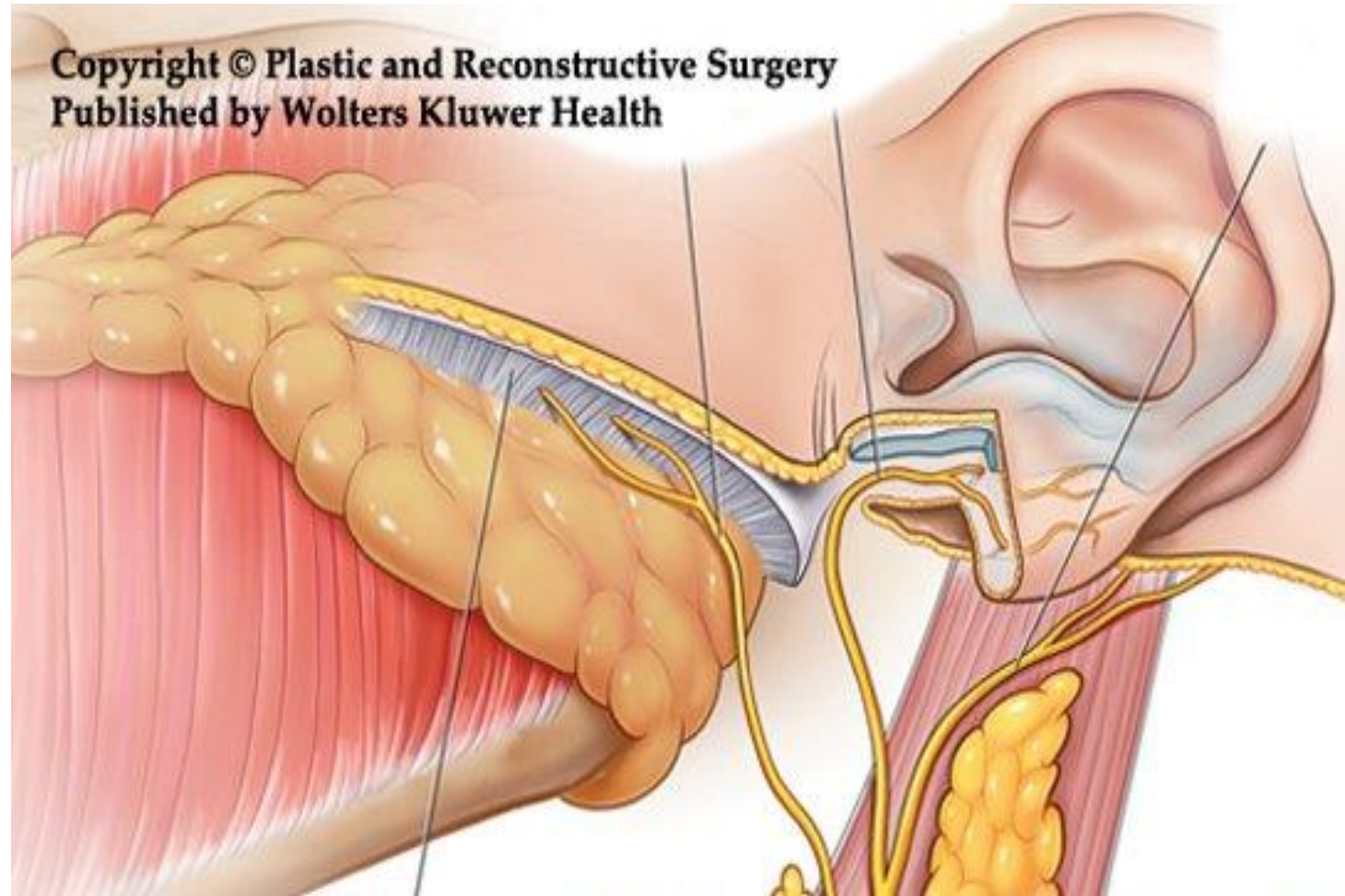
Tissue here are left behind during total parotidectomy which leads to recurrence of disease.

Parotid Tail- **most inferior portion of the superficial lobe**. It is composed of a triangular shaped area of tissue deep to the platysma muscle, posterolateral to the posterior belly of the digastric and anterolateral to the SCM.



# Superficial Surface of Parotid

- Concave
- Covered by- parotid fascia, skin and posterior border of platysma.
- Anterior branches of greater auricular nerve, superficial lymph nodes.



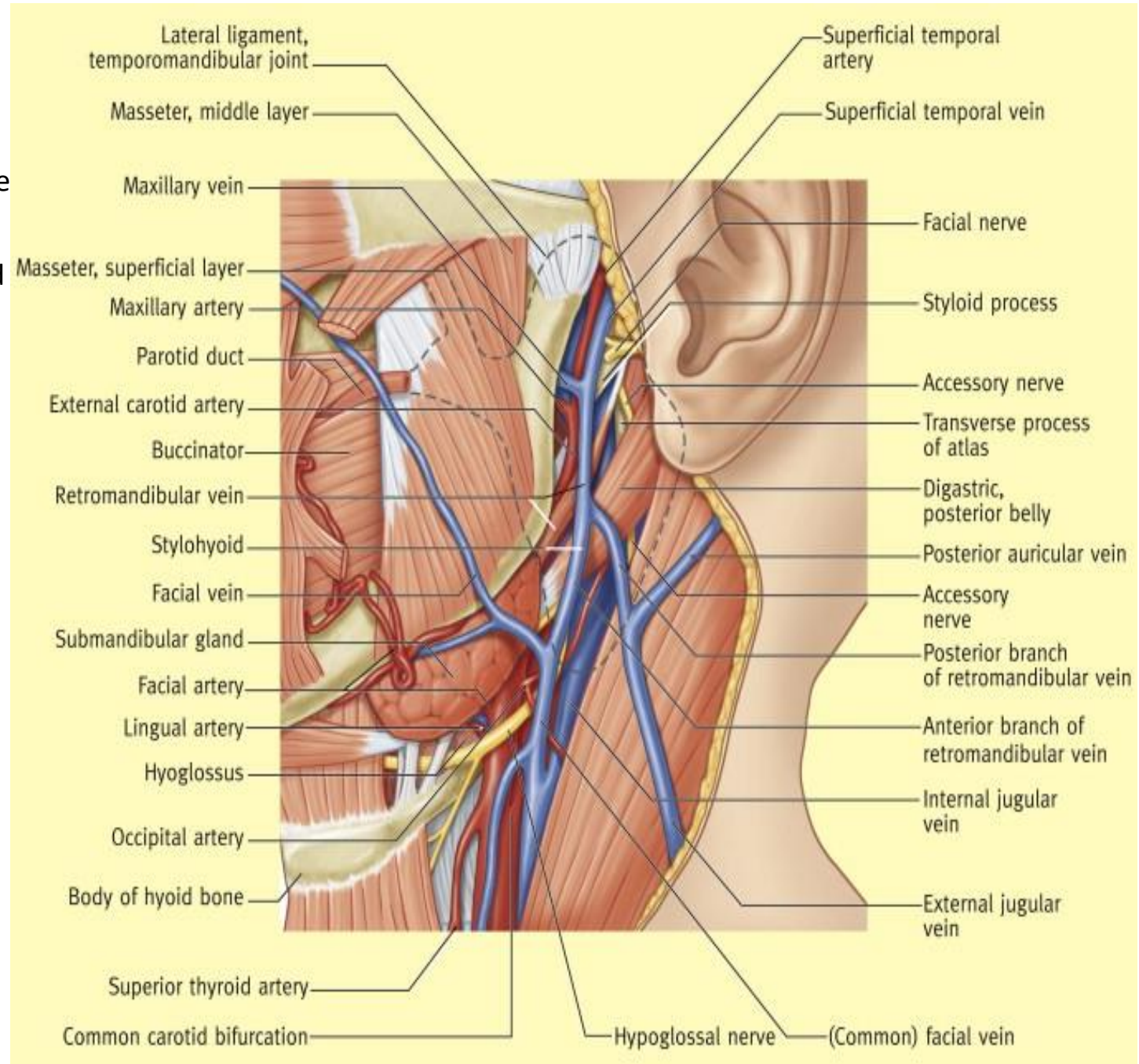


# ANTEROMEDIAL SURFACE

- Ascending ramus of mandible and medial pterygoid muscle
- Temporomandibular joint.
- Envelops External carotid artery- divides into maxillary and superficial temporal vessels within gland.
- Auriculotemporal branch of Mandibular N deep to sup. Temp vessels.

# POSTEROMEDIAL SURFACE

- Lies over mastoid process
- Posterior belly of digastric and sternocleidomastoid
- Medially- overlies styloid process and stylohyoid, styloglossus and stylopharyngeus.- Separate the gland from Internal carotid artery and IJV.
- Facial N trunk enters the gland high on posteromedial surface between mastoid and styloid tip.



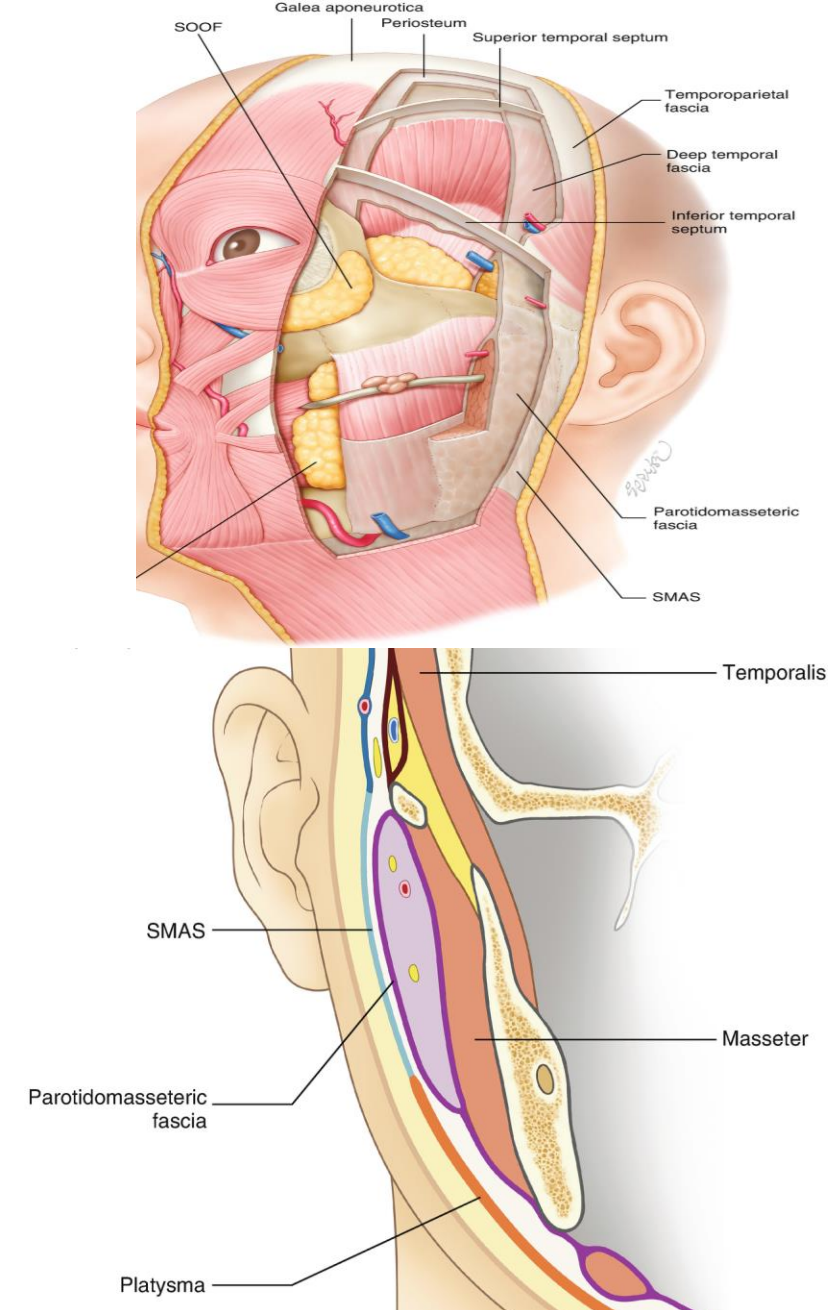


# PAROTID CAPSULE

Derived from Investing Layer of deep cervical fascia- Splits to enclose Parotid gland.

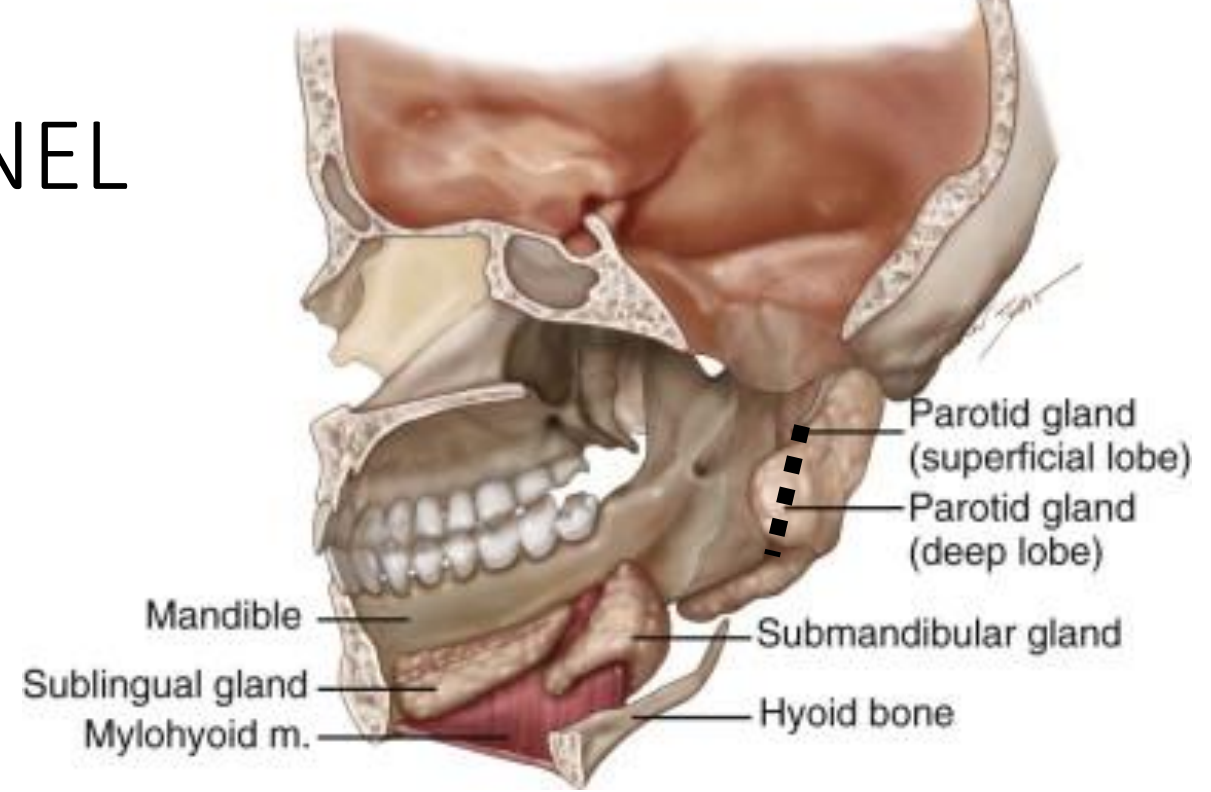
Anteriorly- fascia covering masseter muscle- parotidomasseteric fascia upto zygomatic arch.

- Superficial Musculoaponeurotic System (SMAS) overlying the capsule- adherent in pretragal region, loose as fascia enters cheek.
- Deep part upto skull base.
- Thickened as Stylomandibular Ligament.
- Tough, inelastic- stretched by inflammation and pus collection.
- Thick posteriorly, thin anteriorly and over apex, infection can spread to Parapharyngeal space.

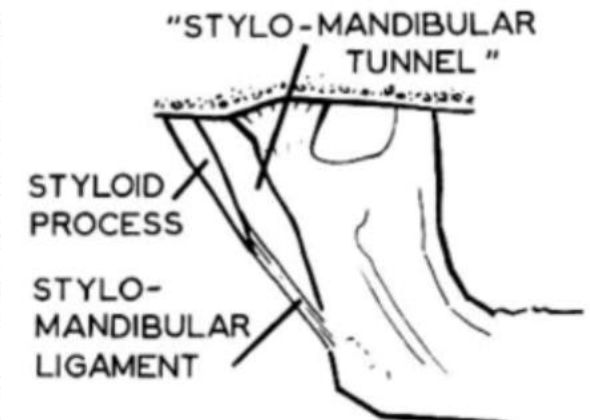
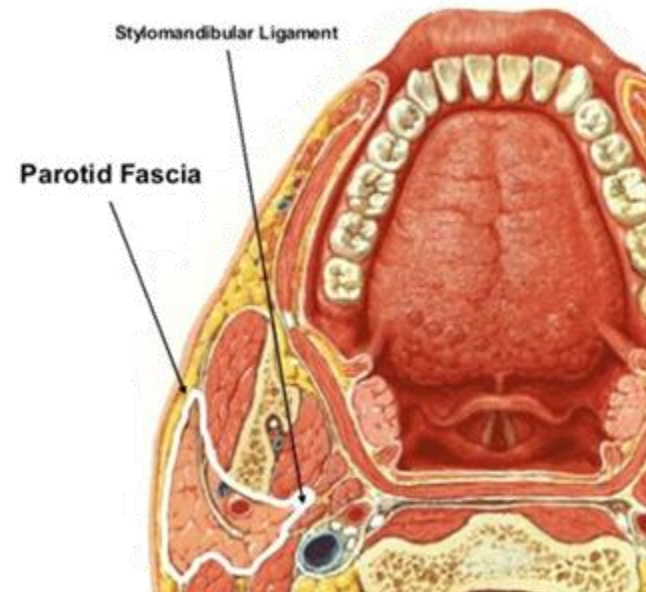
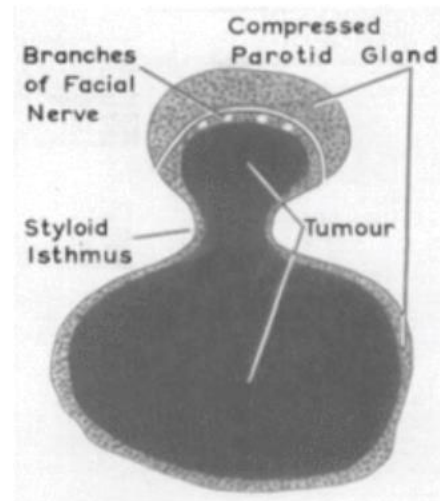


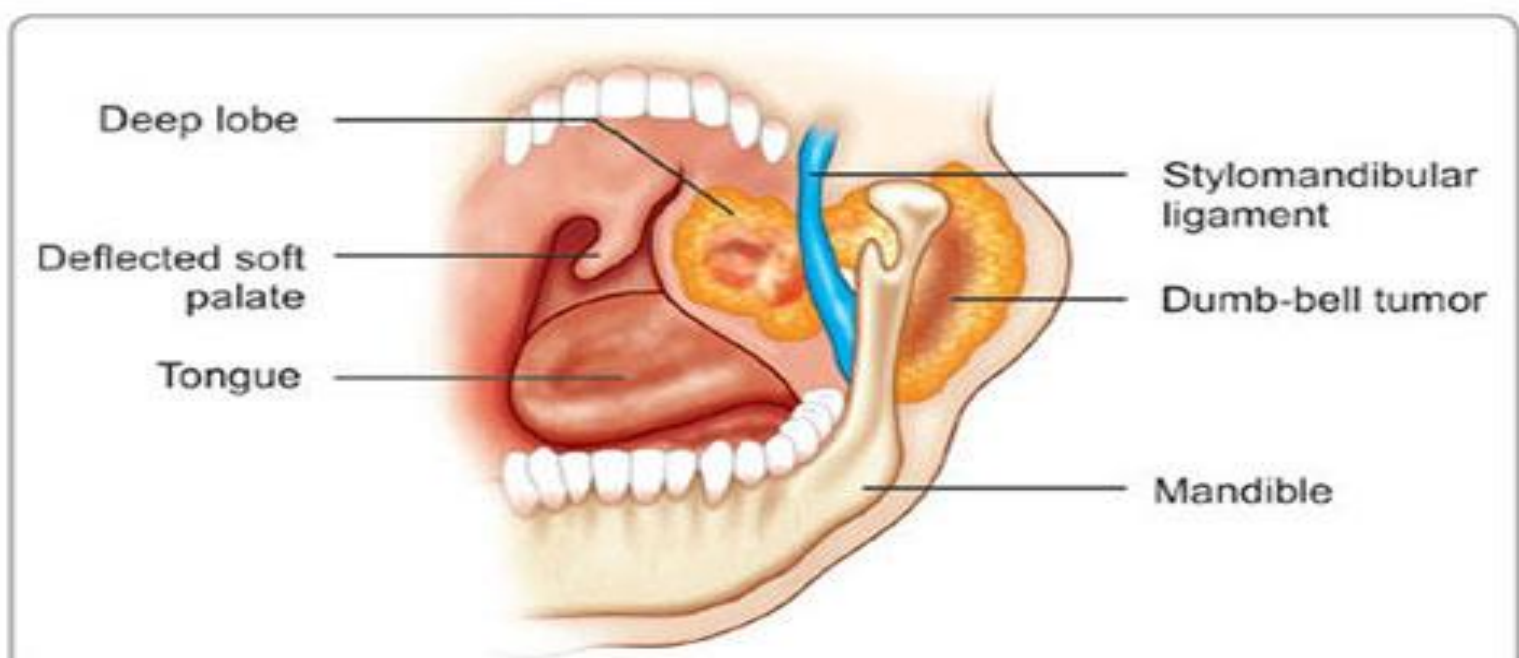
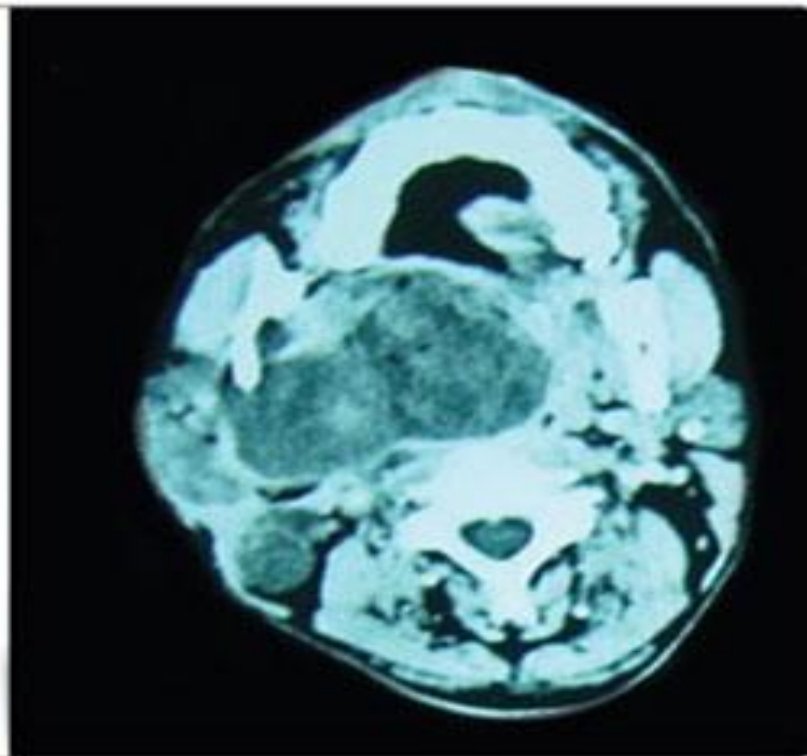
# STYLOMANDIBULAR TUNNEL OF PATTEY

- Base of skull, ascending ramus of mandible, styloid process and stylomandibular ligament laterally.
- Tumor arising from deep lobe of parotid extending retropharyngeally tend to be constricted and fixed at this inextensible opening- thus assume dumbbell shape.



## DUMB BELL TUMOR







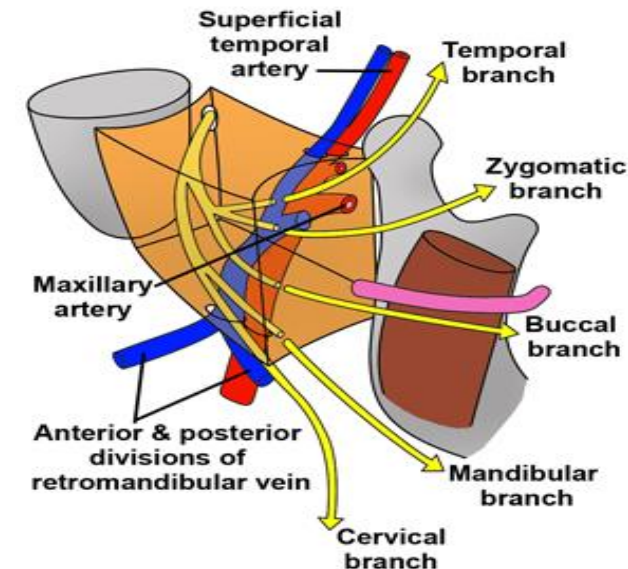
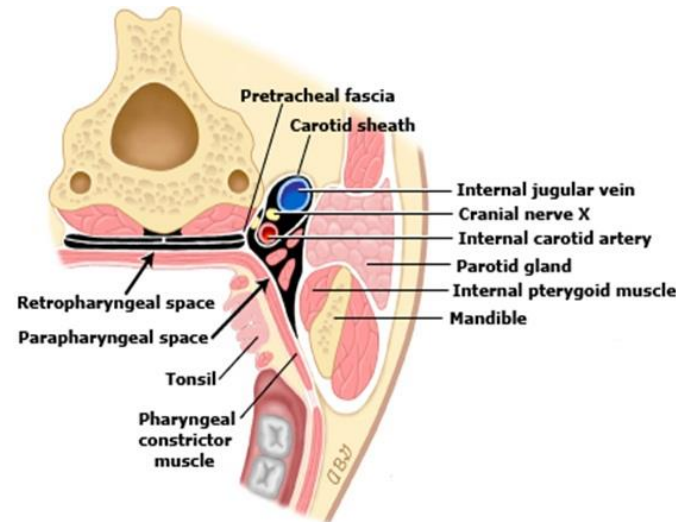
# Relation of Vessels in Parotid Substance

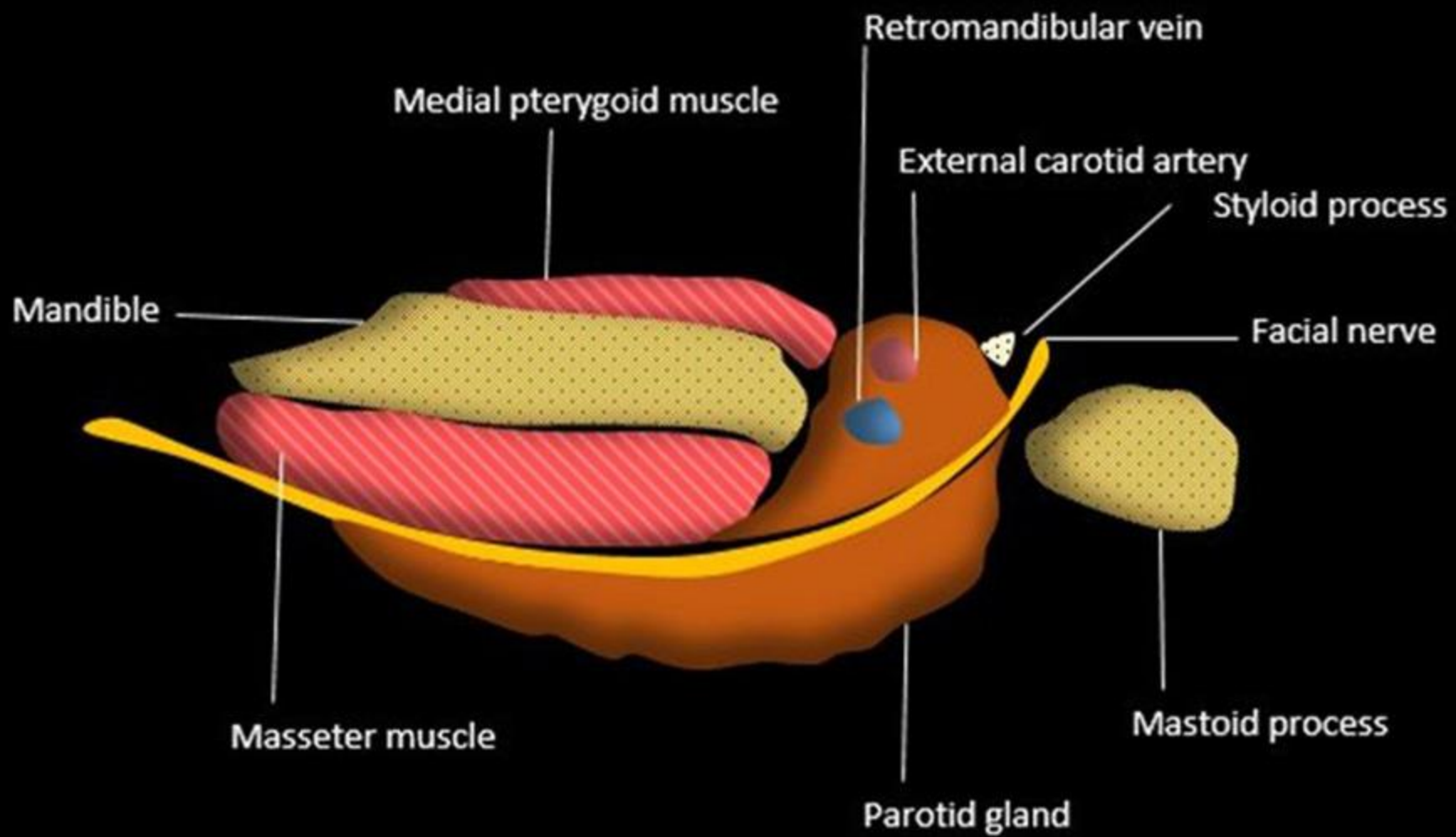
- Superficial to Deep
  1. Facial Nerve- enters the gland and divides into temporal and cervical divisions- divide gland into superficial (80%) and deep (20%) and emerge from anteromedial surface.
  2. Retromandibular Vein- deep to nerve, radiological marker, emerges from lower pole and divides into post division- joins post auricular v. to form ext jugular vein.
  3. External jugular artery- divides into superficial temporal and internal maxillary artery.
  4. Internal carotid and IJV

## PATEY'S FACIOVEBOUS PLANE-

Within gland facial N and retromandibular vein lie in 1 plane

In this plane, gland can be split into superficial and deep part without injuring N.

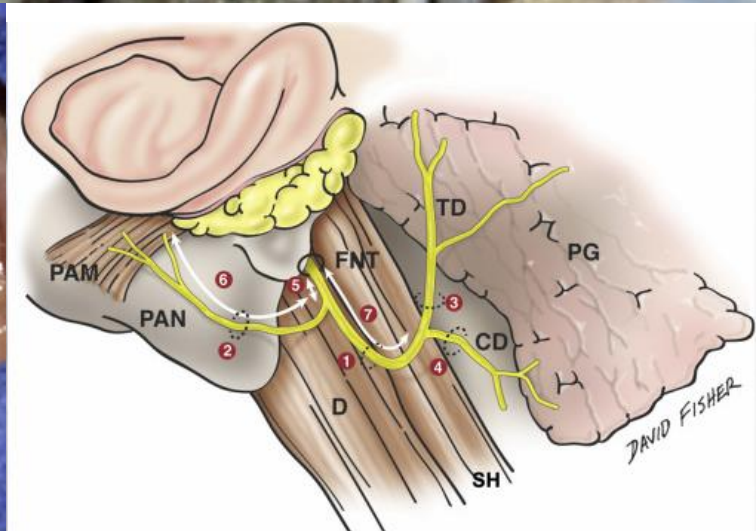
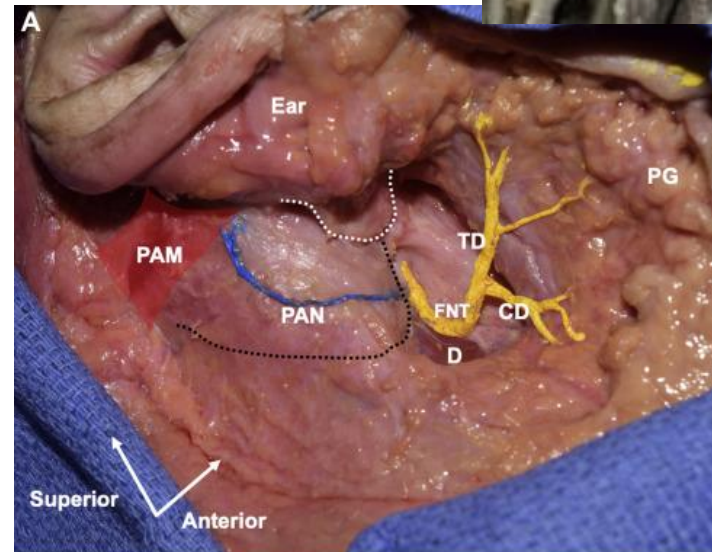
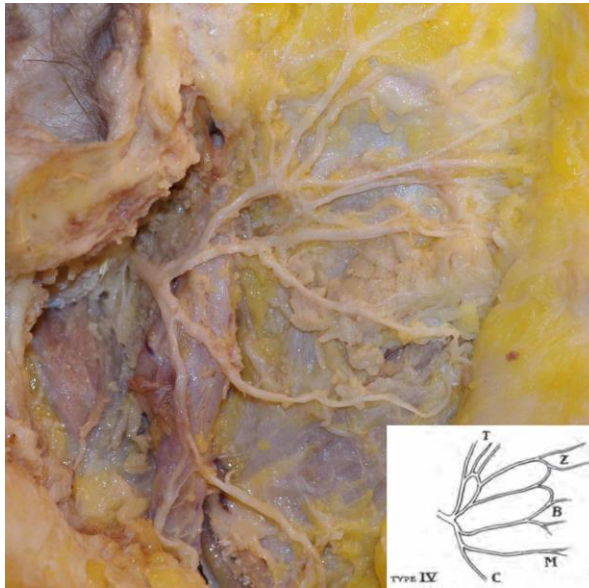
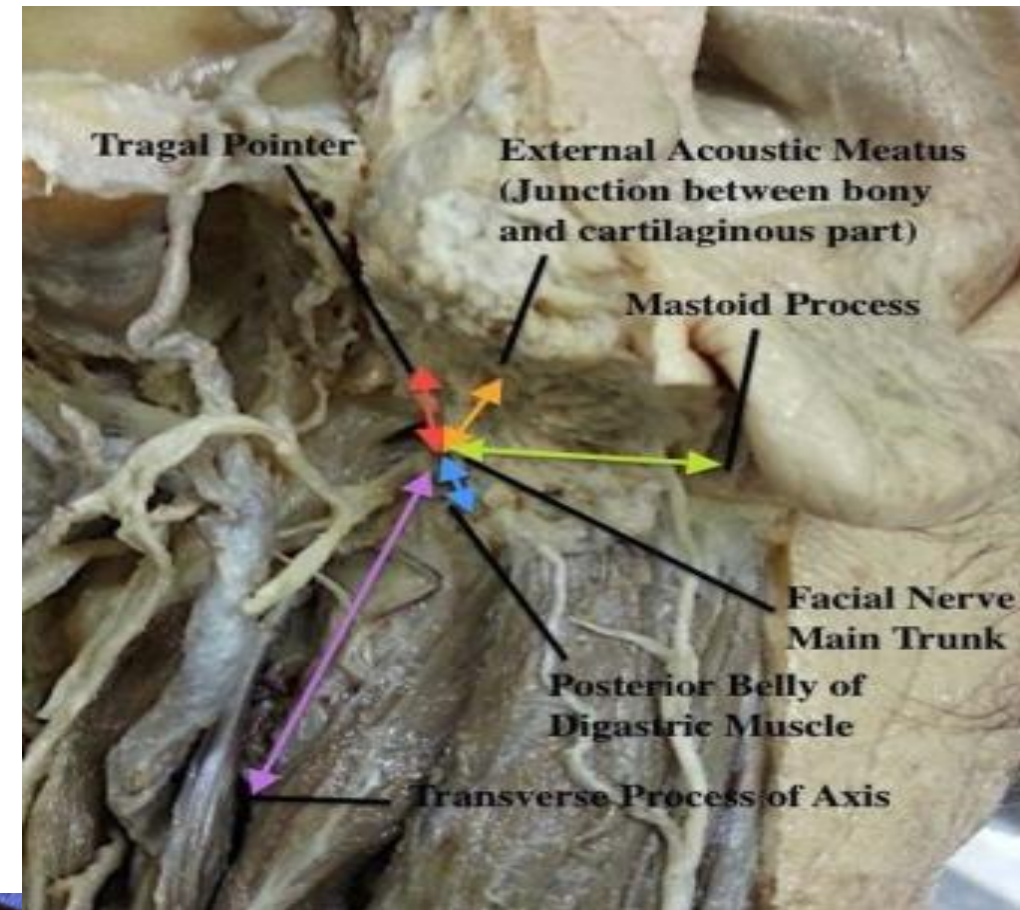






# EXTRATEMPORAL COURSE OF FACIAL NERVE

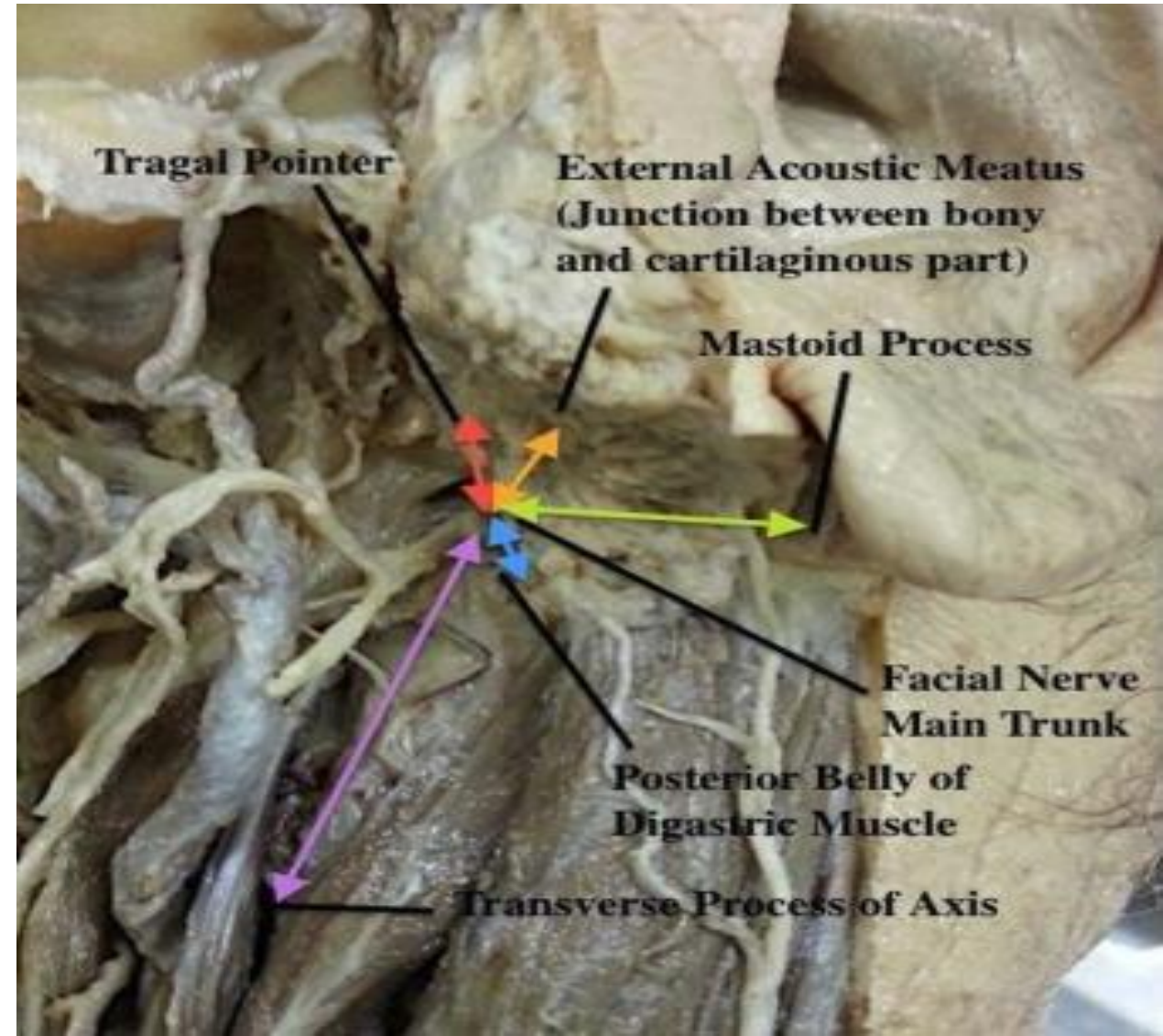
- Emerges from stylomastoid foramen at bony cartilagenous junction of EAC.
- Double trunk in 3-26.7% cases.
- 1 cm above posterior belly of digastric, passes downward and forward over the styloid.
- Gives Post. Auricular N – occipital belly of occipitofrontalis and muscular branch- post belly of digastric and stylohyoid.
- Bends forward to enter substance of parotid.
- Divides into Zygomaticotemporal and lower Cervicofacial division- Pes Anserius





# INTRO-OP IDENTIFICATION OF FACIAL NERVE

- Just superior to Digastric muscle's upper border
- The tragal/Conley's pointer is 1 cm superior to and 1 cm superficial to the nerve
- Emerges few millimeters deep to outer edge of Tympanomastoid suture line
- Downward forward over Styloid process and attached muscles
- Retrograde dissection



# Katz and Catalano Classification

TYPE 1- Splitting and of reunion of zygomatic or mandibular branches.

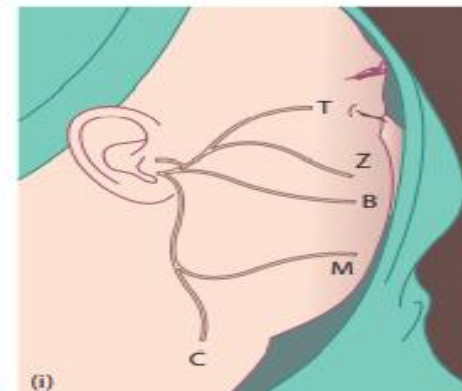
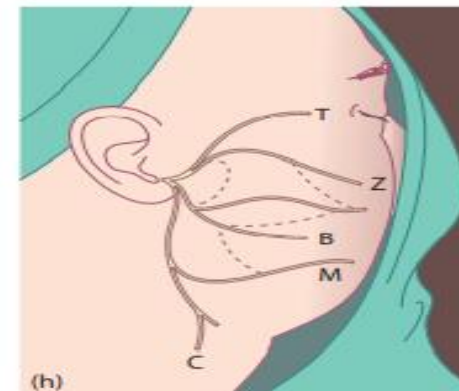
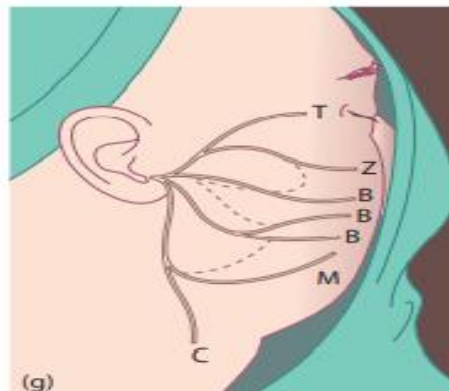
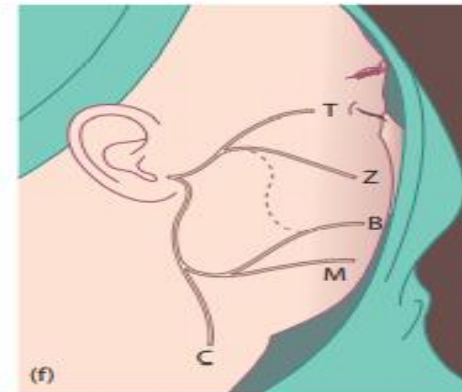
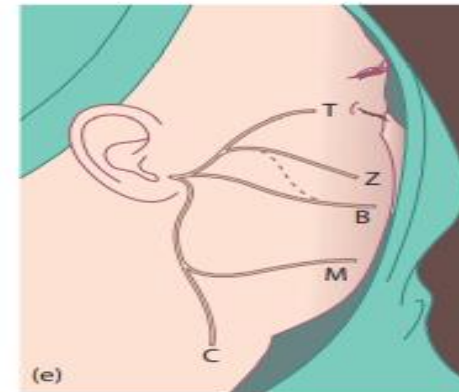
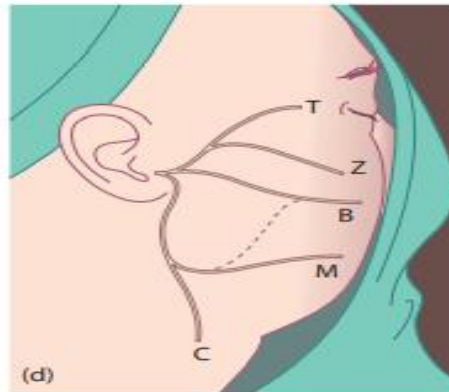
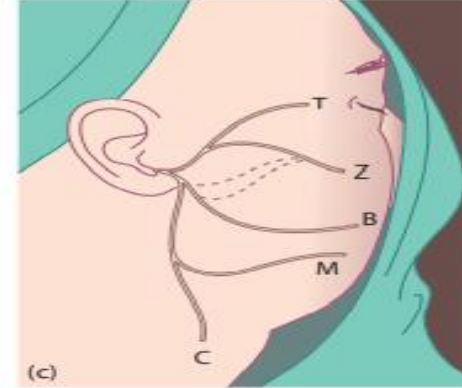
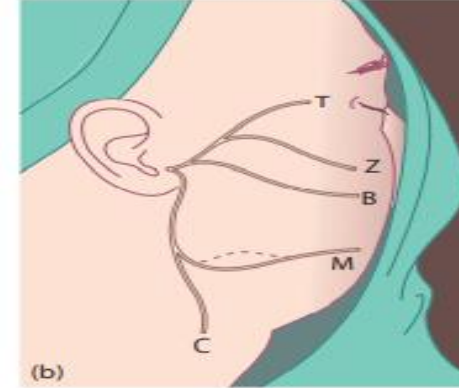
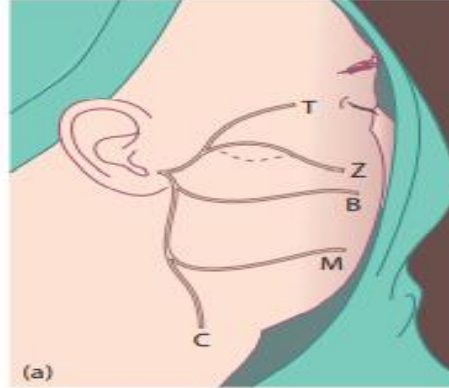
TYPE 2- Subdivision of buccal branch fuse with zygomatic branch.

Type 3: Major communication of buccal branch with others.

Type 4: complex branching and anastomosing pattern.

Type 5: Facial N exits as more than one branch.

Buccal and zygomatic have pronounced branchings- less midfacial movement abnormality post parotid surgery.





Masseter muscle

Ascending ramus of  
mandible

Parotid gland

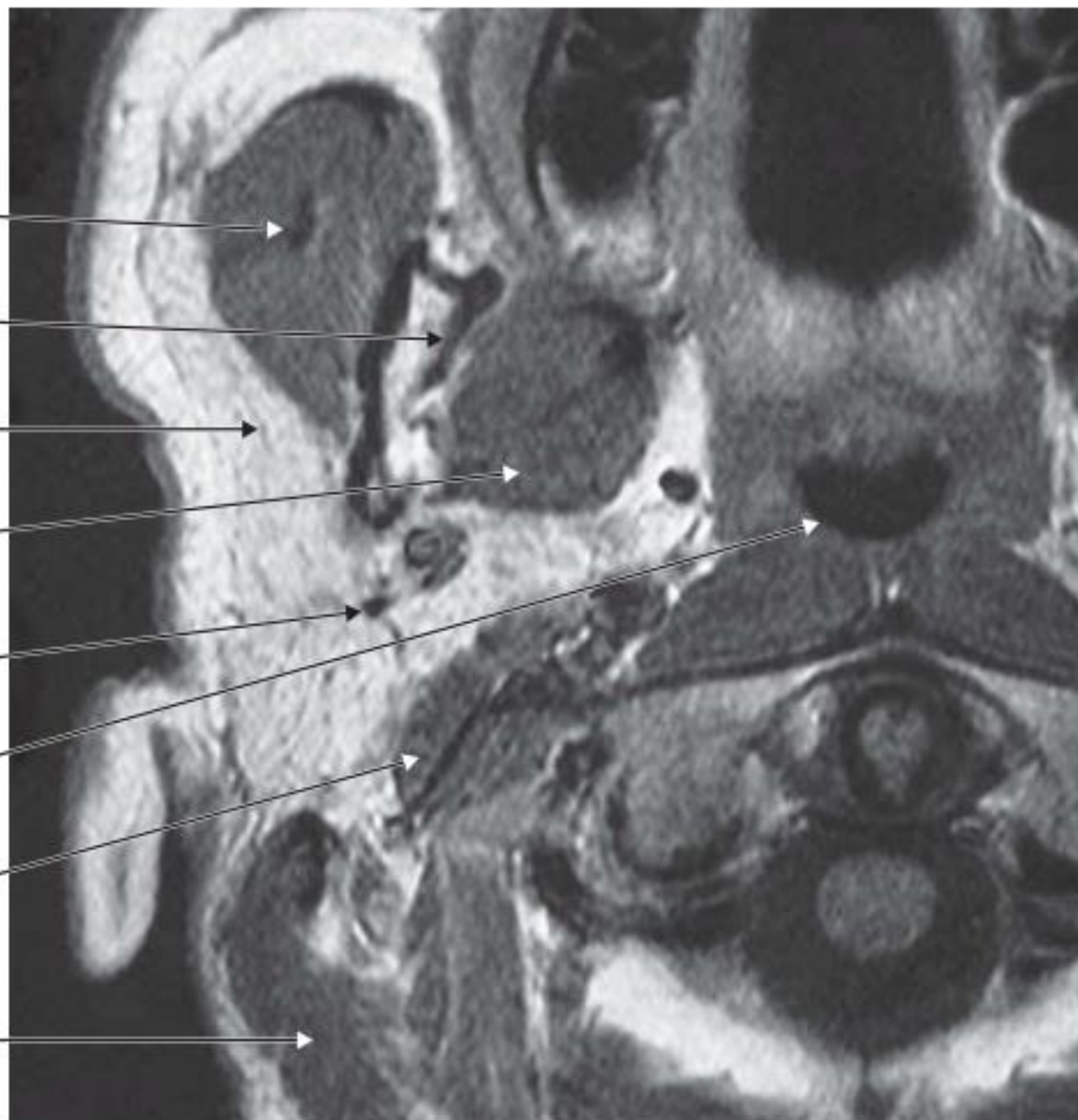
Medial pterygoid  
muscle

Retromandibular  
vein

Pharynx

Posterior belly of  
digastric muscle

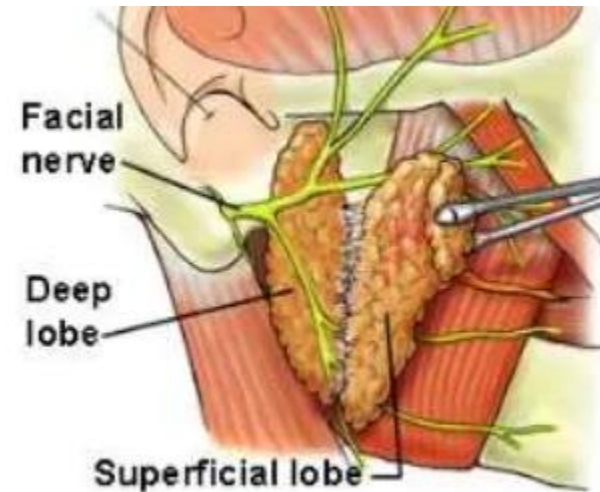
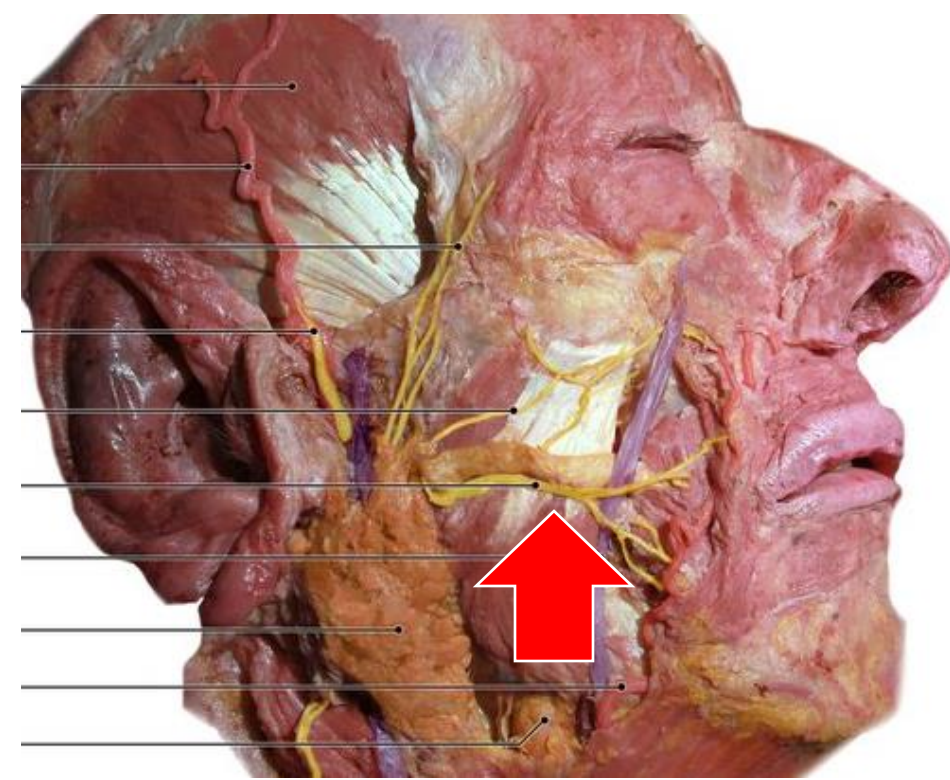
Sternocleido-  
mastoid muscle





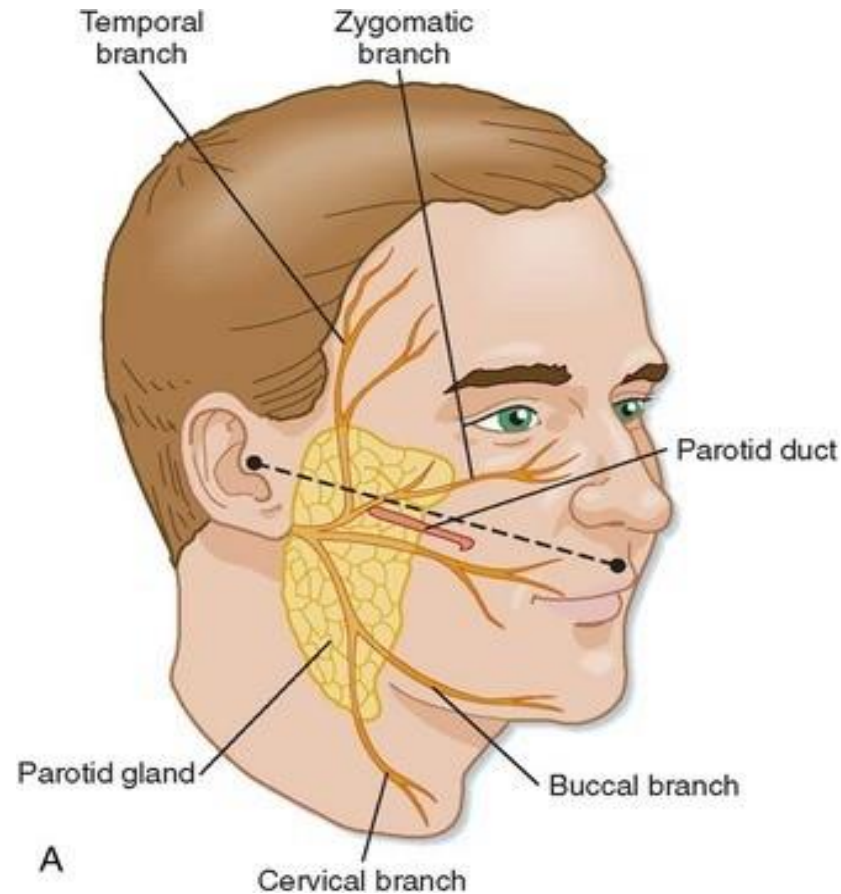
# PAROTID DUCT/ STENSEN DUCT

- Length - 5 cm , Internal Calibre – 0.6 mm.
- Originates from deep lobe , only small ductules connect superficial and deep lobe.
- Emerges from anterior Border and travels across masseter.
- Pierces **buccal pad of fat, buccopharyngeal fascia, buccinator**, runs obliquely between buccinator and oral mucosa
- Opens at parotid papilla opposite upper second
- Medial to facial vessels.

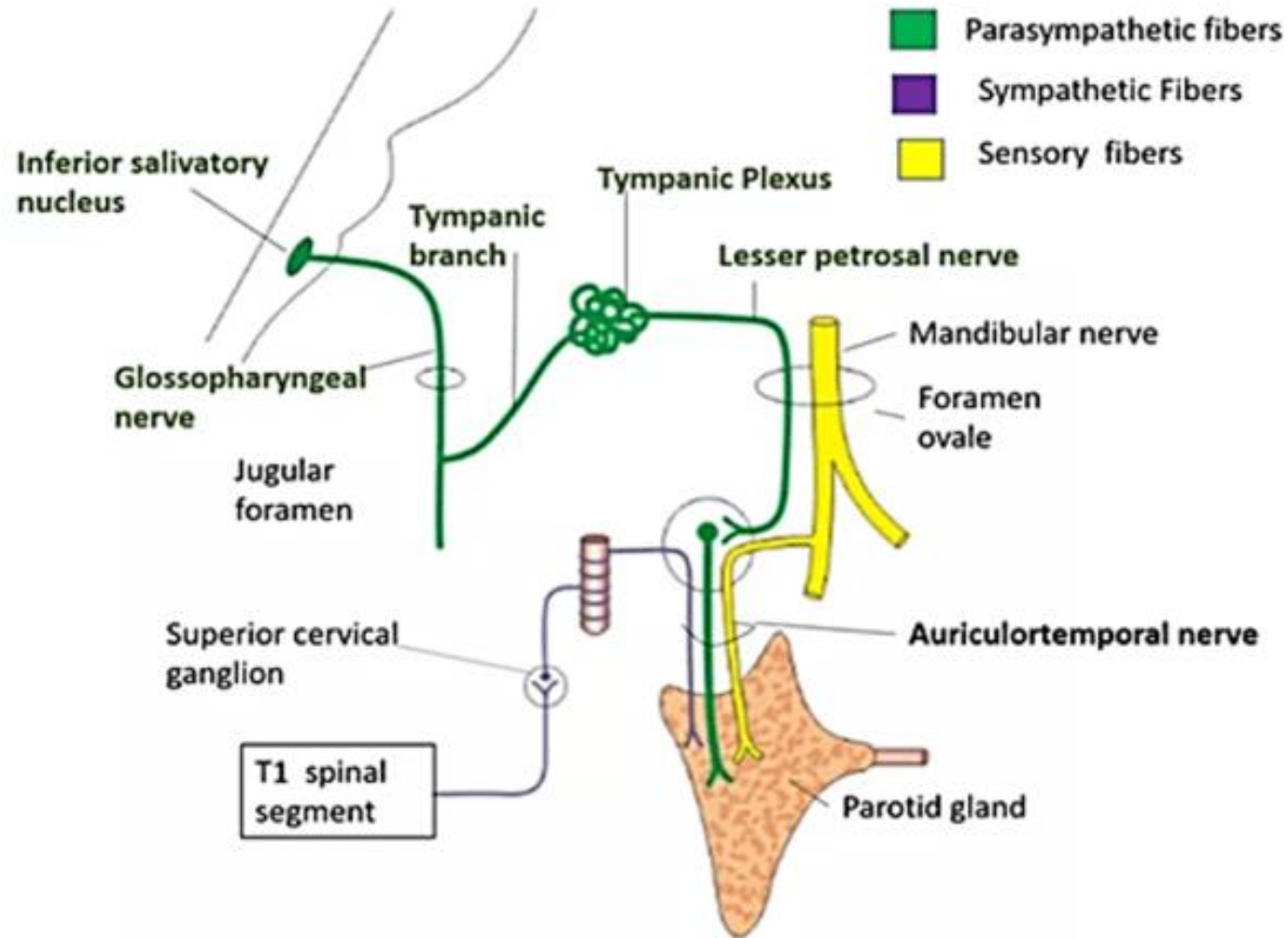


## SURFACE MARKING OF PAROTID DUCT –

- Middle of the line between intertragal notch of auricle and midpoint of the philtrum.



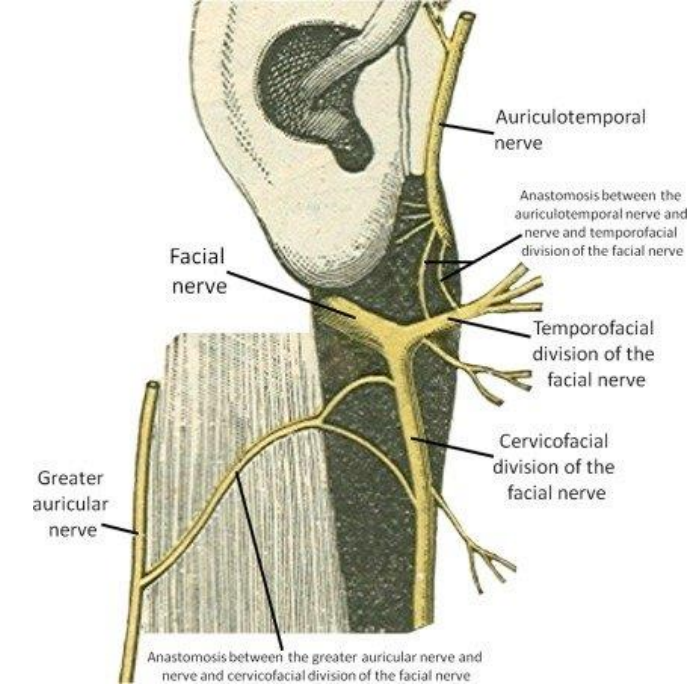
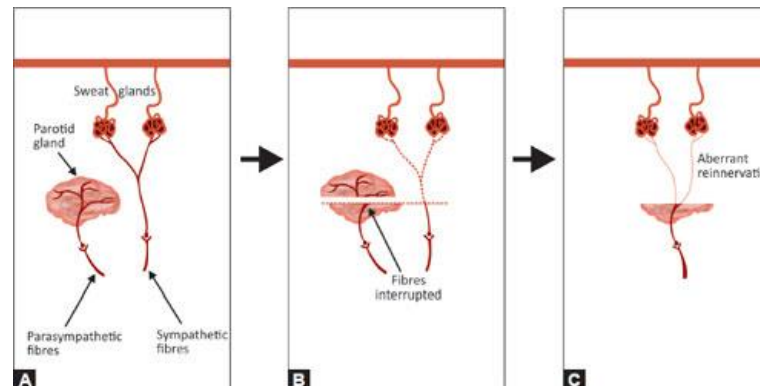
# NERVE SUPPLY





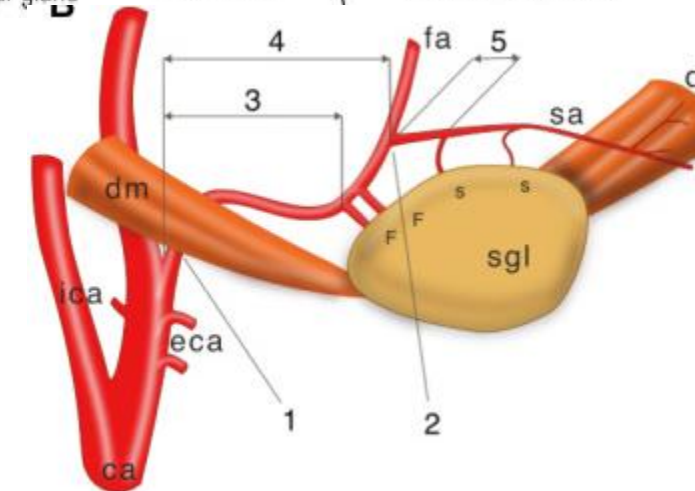
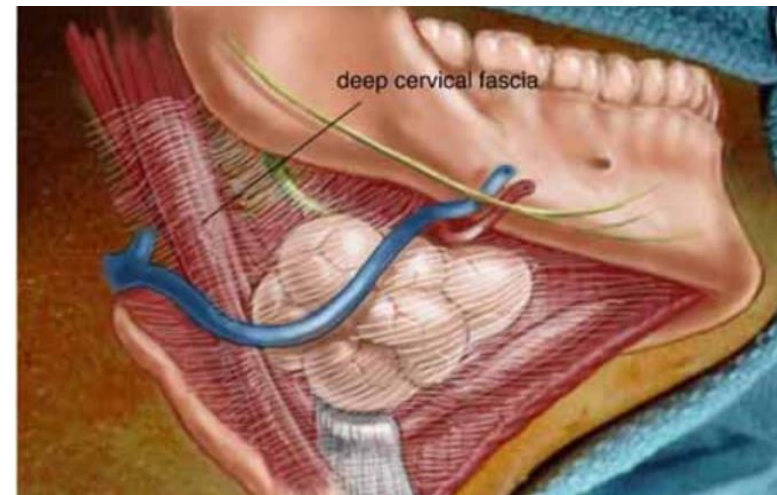
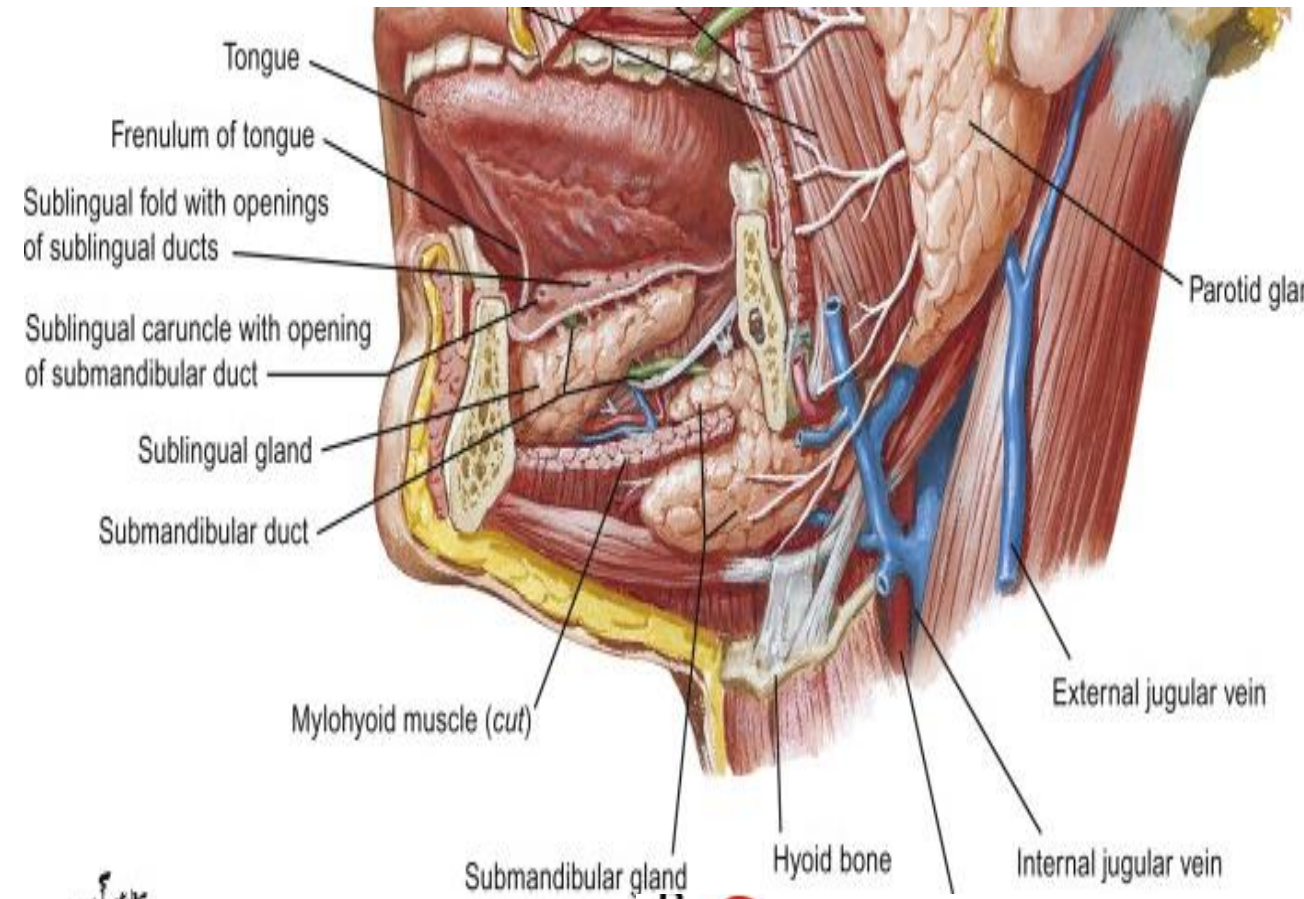
# FREY'S SYNDROME

- Gustatory sweating/ auriculotemporal syndrome
- Facial warmth/ sweating, flushing over distribution of auriculotemporal N stimulated by gustatory stimulus.
- 5 weeks to several months post parotidectomy
- Post trauma/ forceps delivery
- During parotidectomy, postganglionic sympathetic fibres and sympathetic fibres of local sweat glands are cut.
- Misdirected nervous regeneration.
- MINOR;S STARCH IODIDE TEST
- MX- Botulinum Toxin A infiltration



# SUBMANDIBULAR GLAND

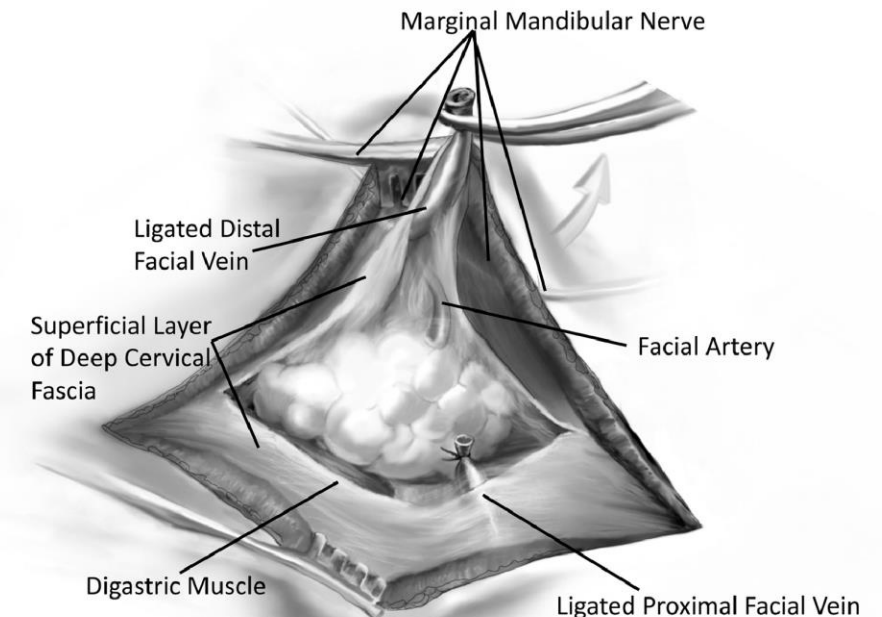
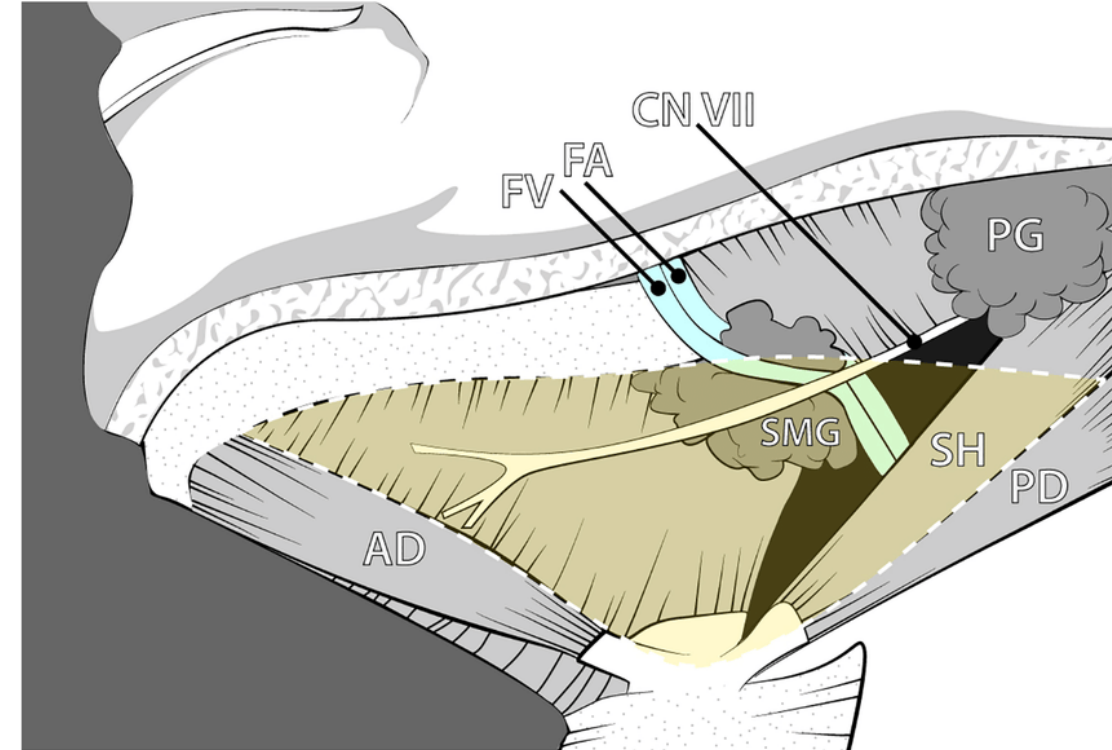
- Second Largest, Weight - 7-16gm
- Lies in Submandibular triangle.
- Two Parts wrapped around mylohyoid muscle- Larger Superficial, Smaller Deep.
- Lateral surface- submandibular fossa of mandible, adjacent to attachment of medial pterygoid.
- Medial Surface- N. to mylohyoid and submental Vessels.
- Facial artery- enters and grooves the gland posteriorly and emerges between gland and lower border of mandible.
- Covering- skin, platysma, capsule- derived from deep cervical fascia.





# Relation of facial Vein and Facial N.

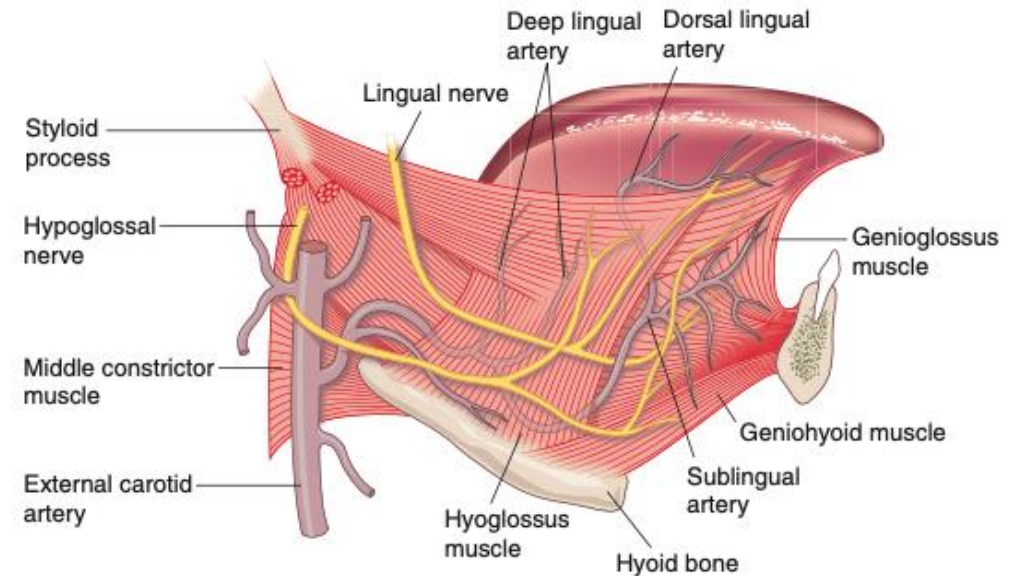
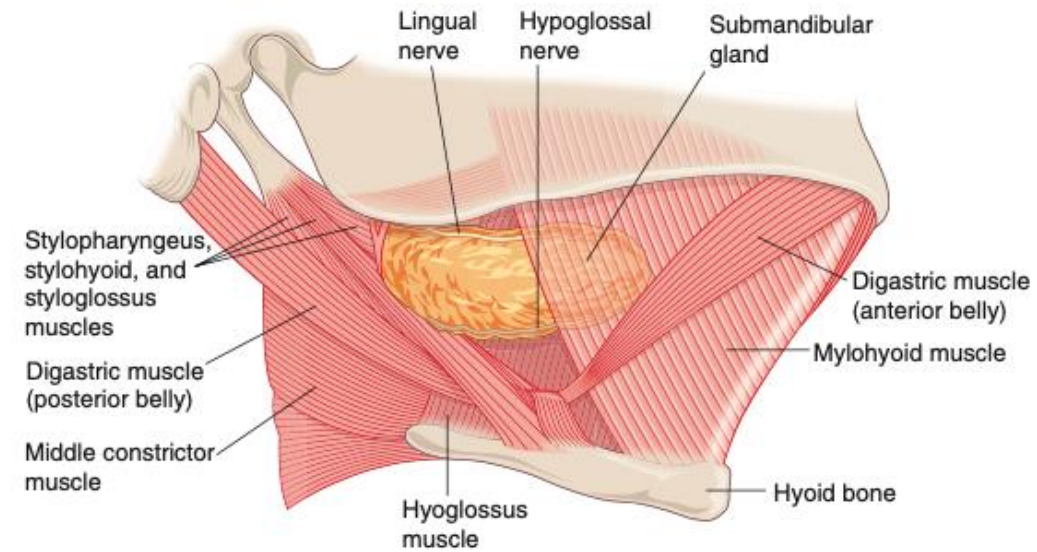
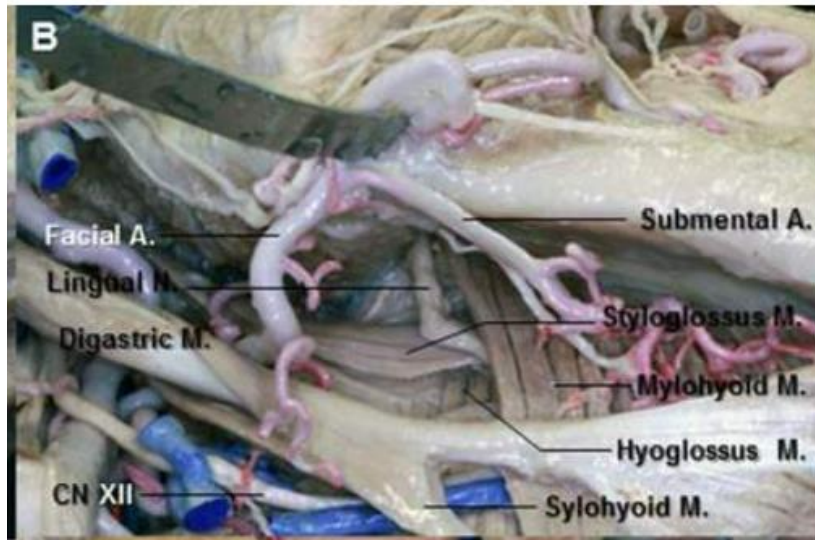
- Marginal mandibular N overlies facial and crosses it transversely.
- To avoid injury Fascia should be incised at lower border of the gland
  - Dissection should proceed right on the gland, deep to the fascia.
- **Hayes-Martin Maneuver** – Ligation of facial vein inferior to lower border of submandibular gland, Retracting vein and fascia upward





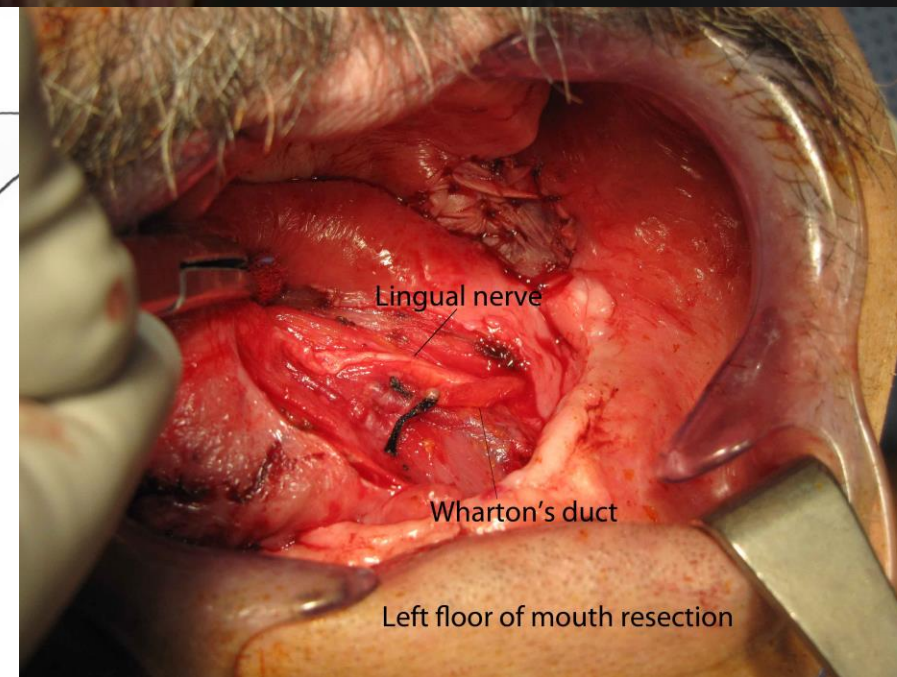
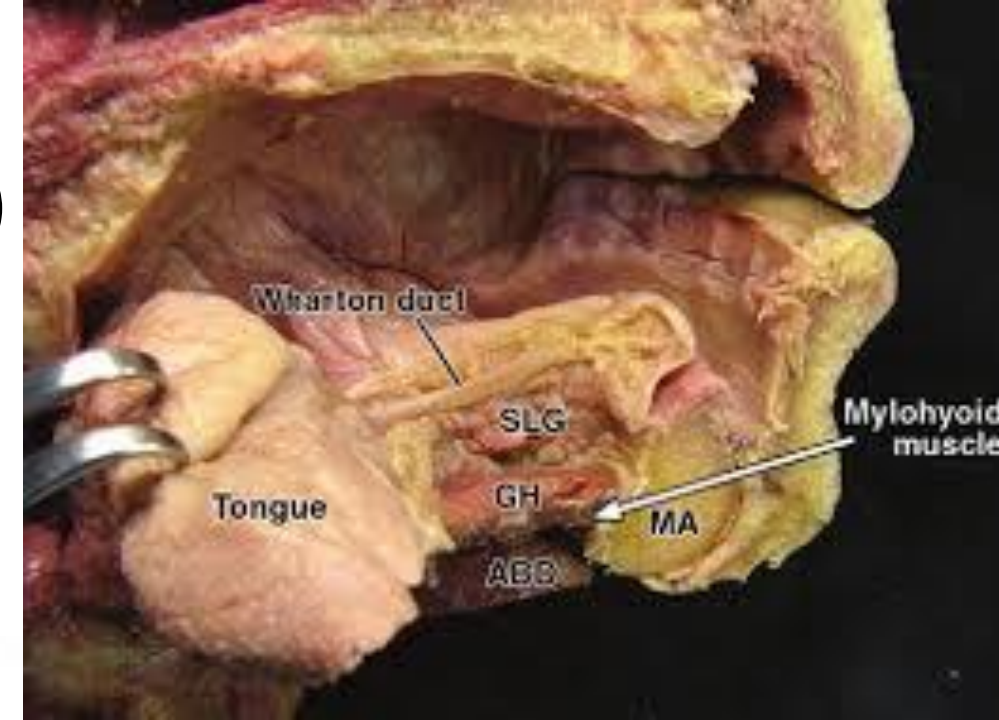
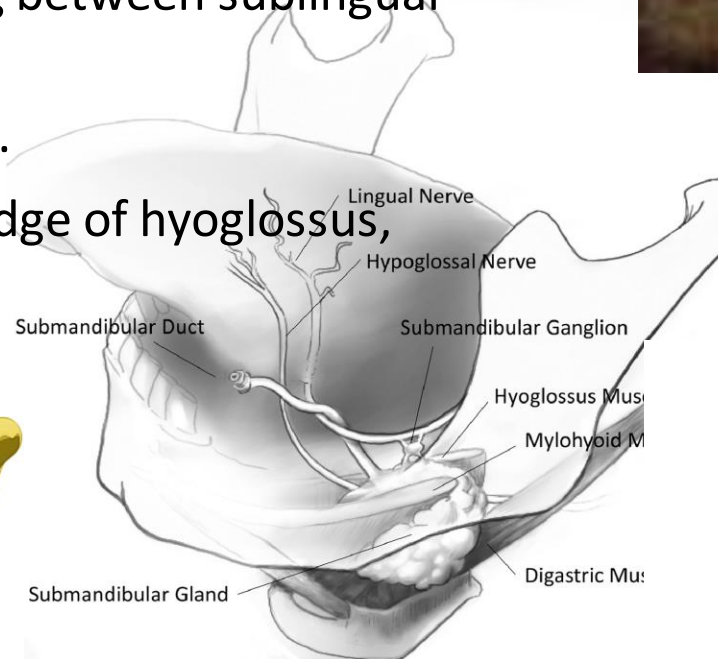
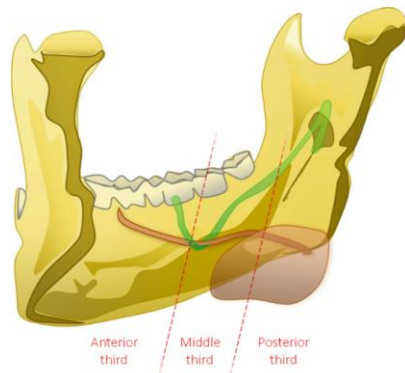
## Medially-

- Surface of mylohyoid anteriorly with submental vessels and N to mylohyoid.
- Posteriorly- hyoglossus, lingual N with submandibular ganglion, stylohyoid and post belly of digastric.
- Deep Part- between lingual and hypoglossal nerve.

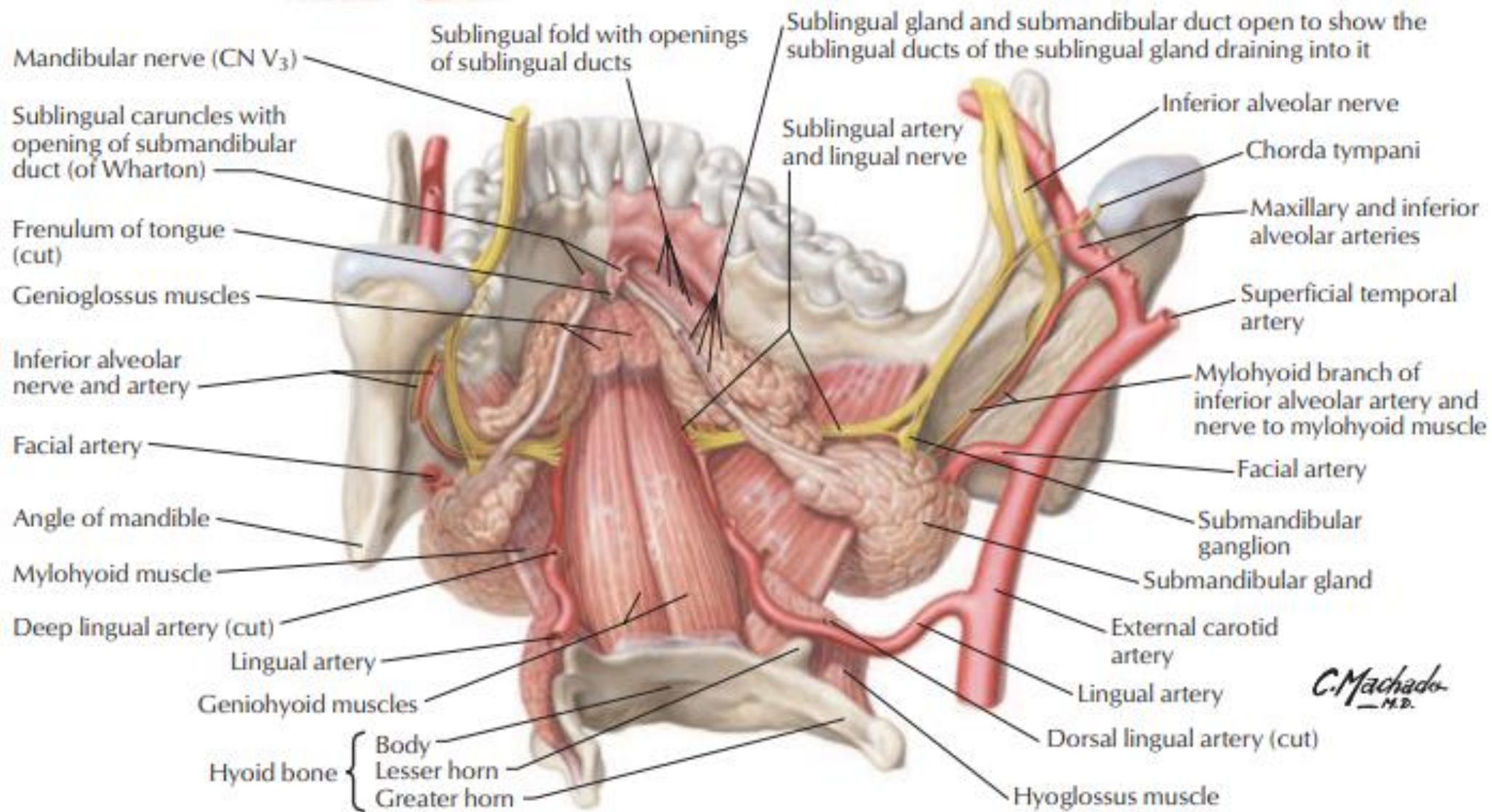


# SUBMANDIBULAR DUCT (WHARTON'S DUCT)

- 5 cm long
  - Mean duct diameter range 1.5 mm – 0.5 mm – narrowest at papilla.
  - Courses between mylohyoid and hyoglossus,
  - Open at sublingual papilla after passing between sublingual gland and genioglossus.
  - Lies between hypoglossal and lingual N.
  - Lingual N crosses duct laterally at ant edge of hyoglossus,
- Branches medially to duct.









## VESSELS AND NERVES –

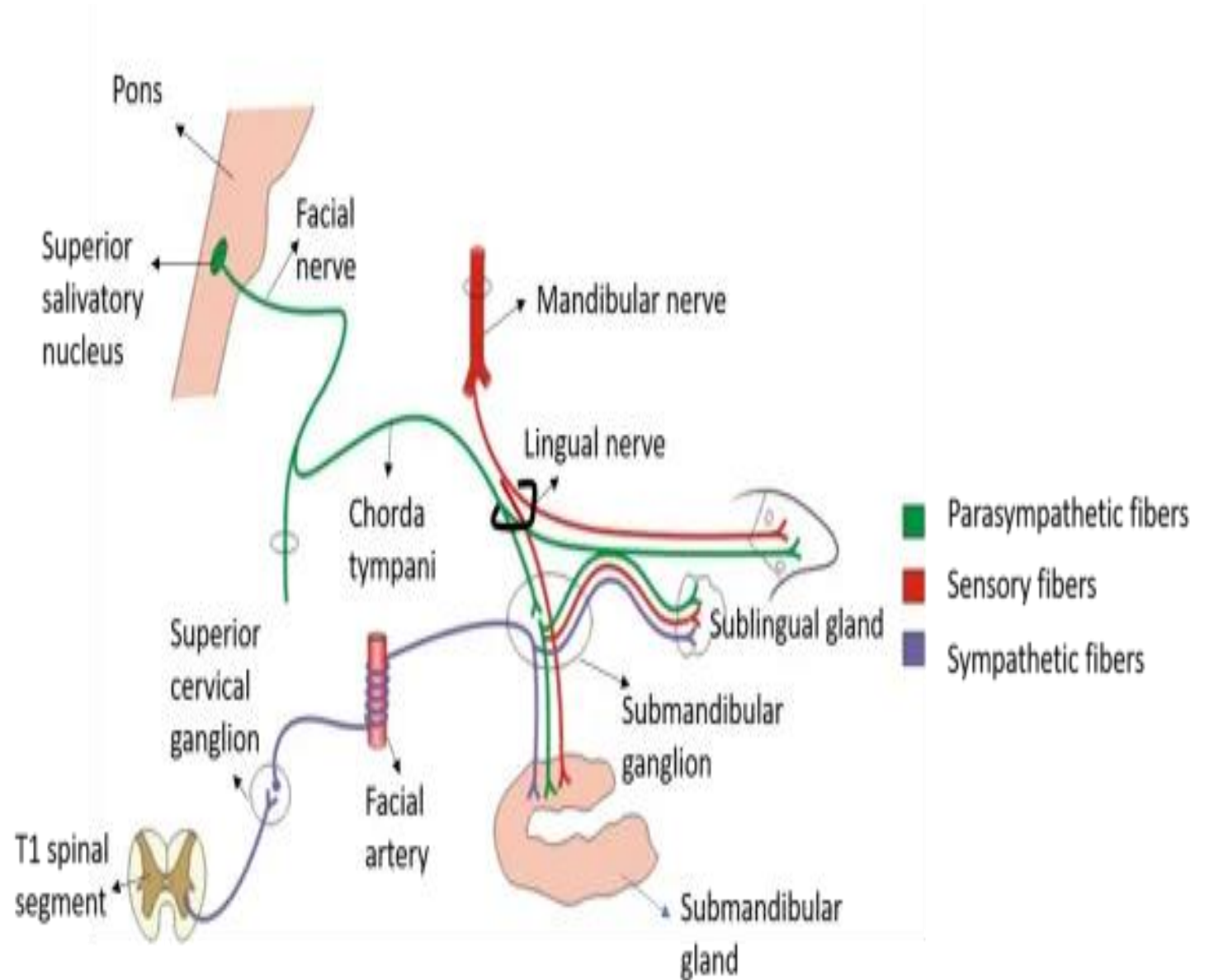
ARTERIAL SUPPLY – Submental Artery

VENOUS DRAINAGE– Facial Vein

LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE – Deep Cervical Group  
Particularly Jugulo – Omohyoid

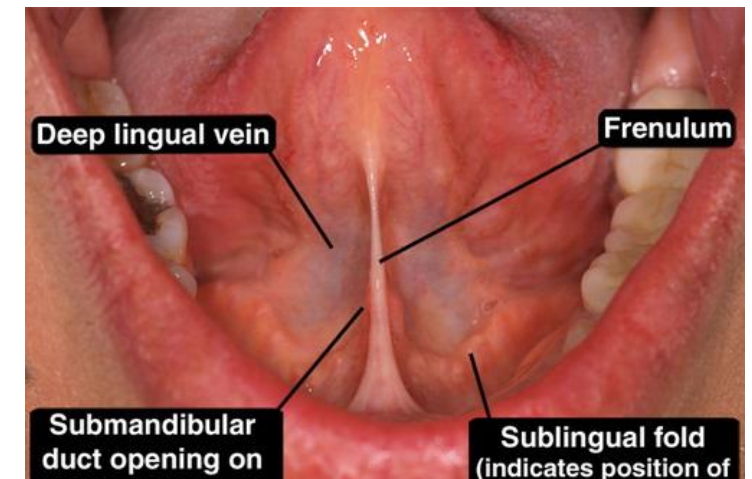
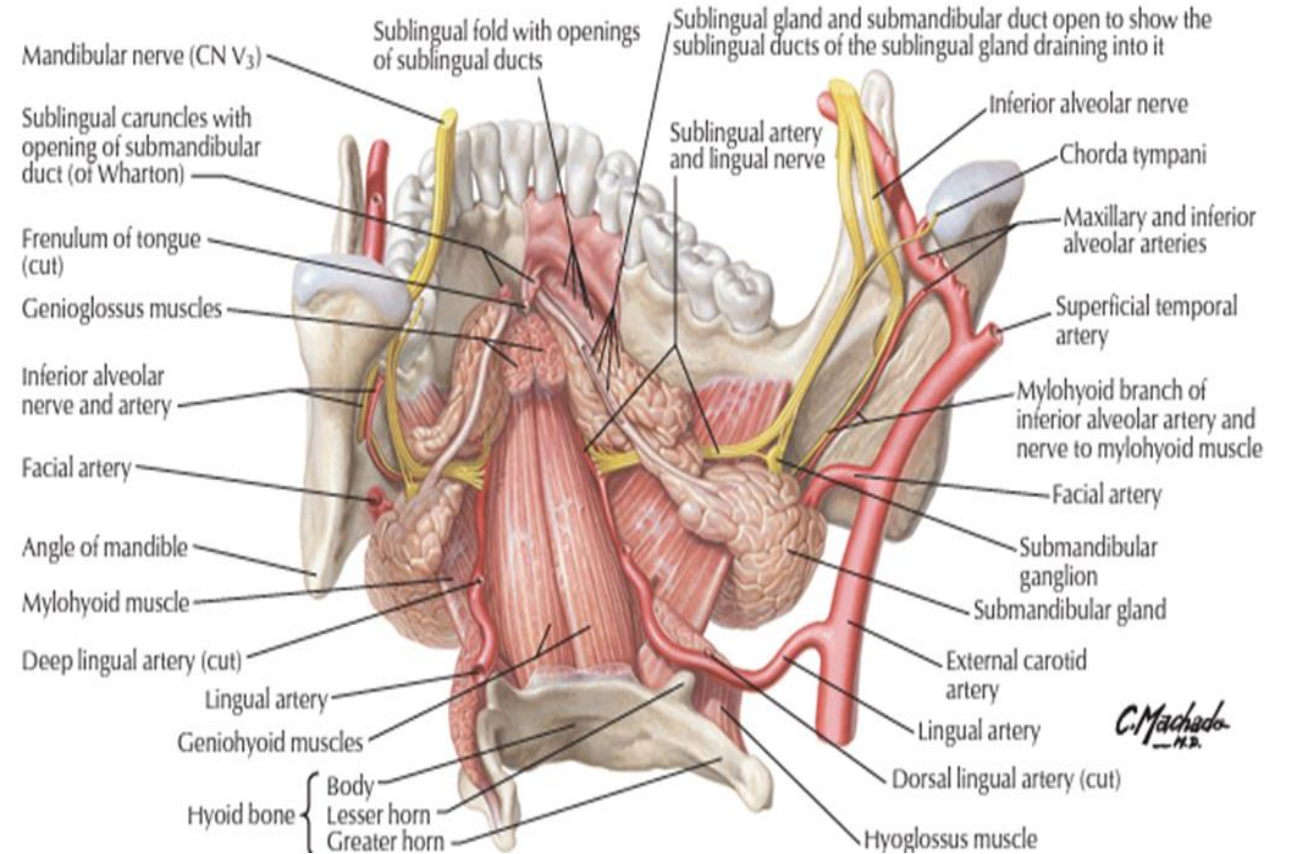
SYMPATHETIC INNERVATION– Superior Cervical  
Ganglion via Lingual artery

PRE SYNAPTIC PARASYMPATHETIC INNERVATION –  
Lingual Nerve to Submandibular Ganglion



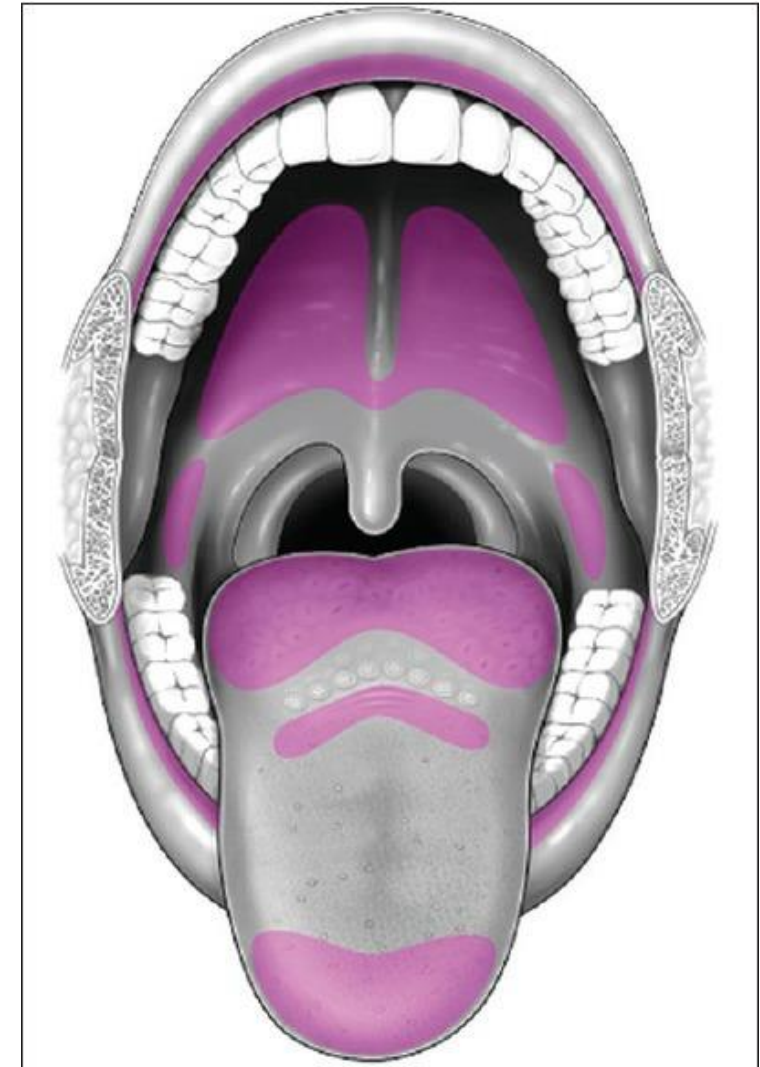
# SUBLINGUAL GLANDS

- Smallest
- No true fascial capsule
- Almond Shape
- Lie between Mandible and Genioglossus Muscle
- Inferiorly bounded by Myelohyoid
- Weighs – 4gm.
- Open via Small excretory ducts- duct of rivinus- 8-20 - in floor of mouth.
- May open into submandibular duct- Bartholin Duct.
- Drainage- SubmaNerve supply- submandibular ganglion
- ndibular lymph nodes.



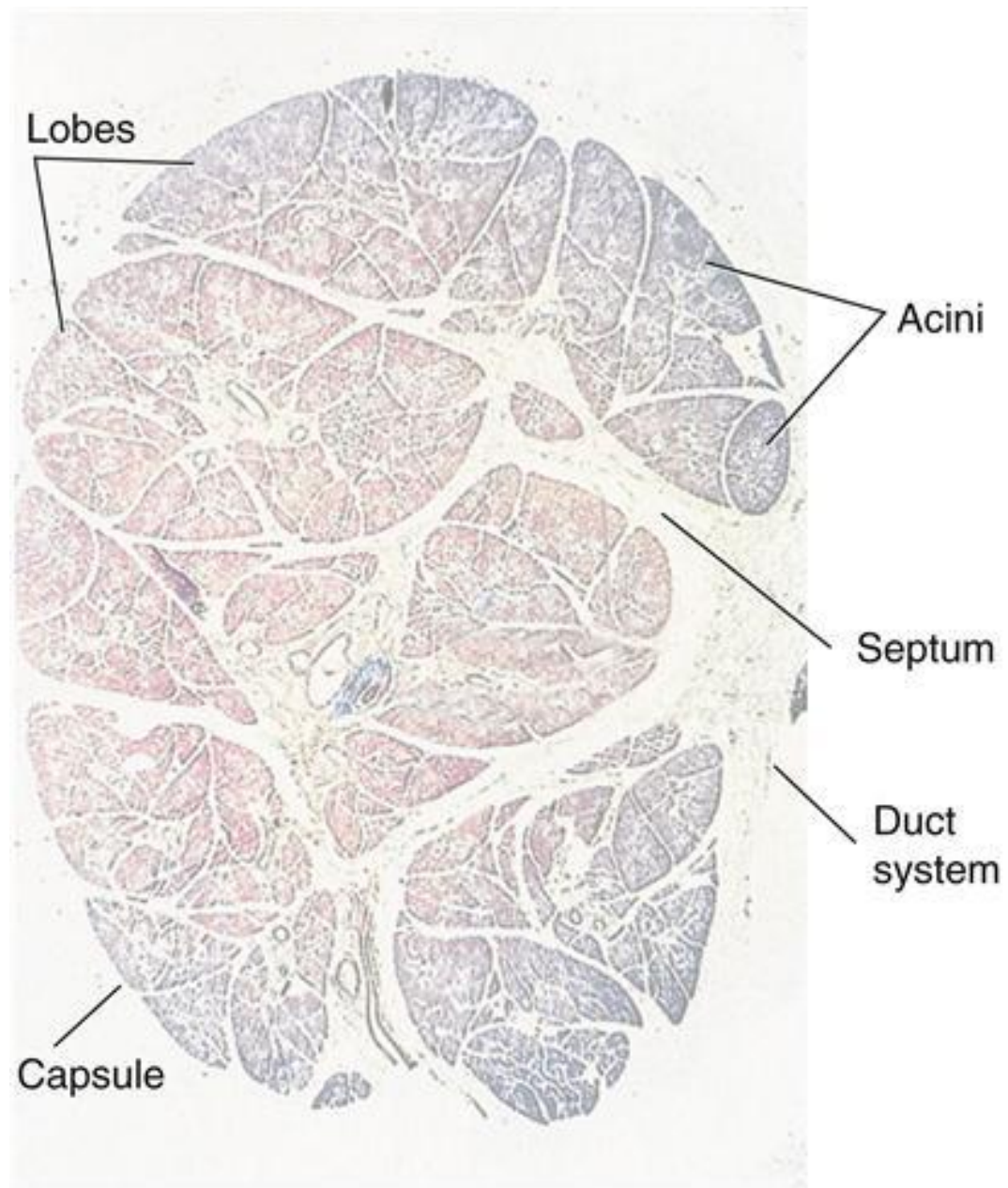
# MINOR SALIVARY GLANDS

- 800-1000
  - Dispersed throughout submucosa of sinonasal cavity, oral cavity, pharynx, larynx, trachea, lungs, middle ear cavity.
  - Contribute to 5-10% of saliva.
  - Most concentrated in buccal mucosa
1. LABIAL- LIPS- mixed
  2. BUCCAL- CHEEK- mixed
  3. GLOSSOPALATINE- Ant faucial pillar, glossopalatine fold- mucous
  4. PALATINE- HARD, SOFT PALATE- mucus
  5. LINGUAL- Anterior- mixed
    - Circumvallate papillae ( Von Ebner's gland)- Pure serous
    - Posterior- pure mucous

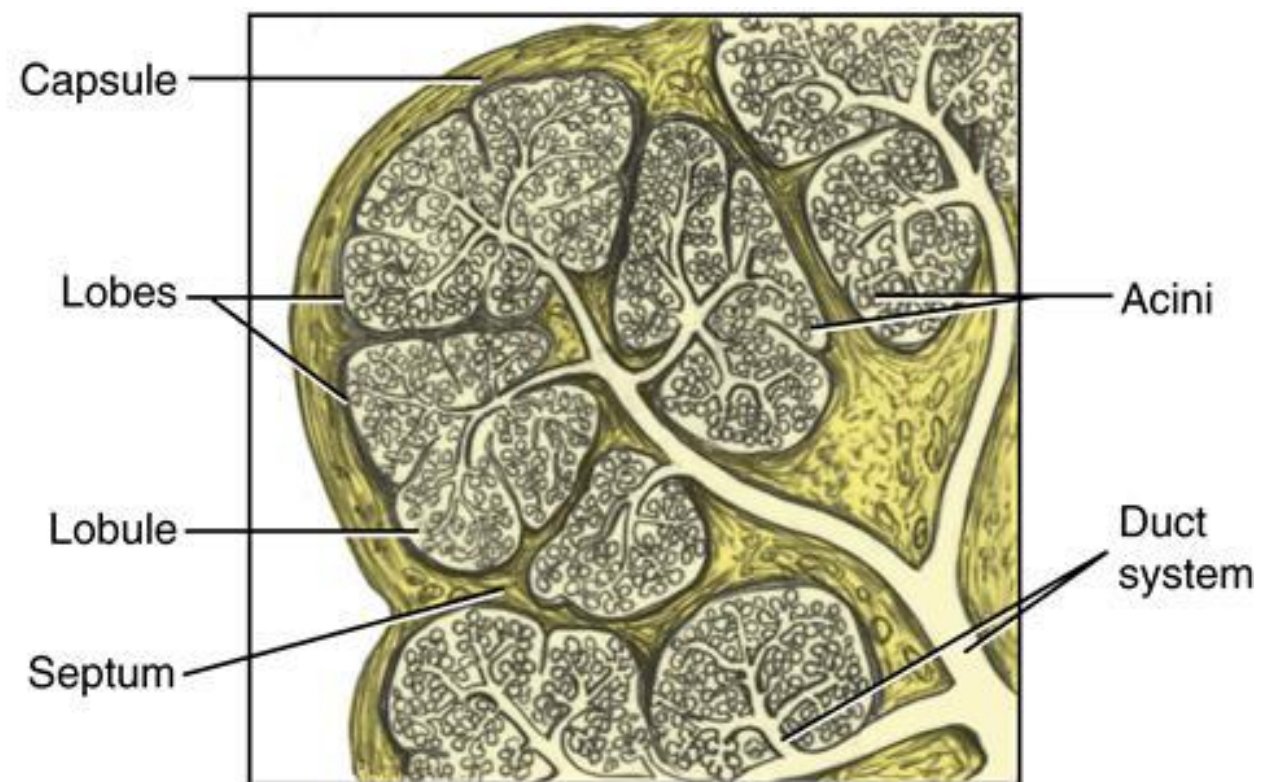




# PHYSIOLOGY OF SALIVA PRODUCTION



A



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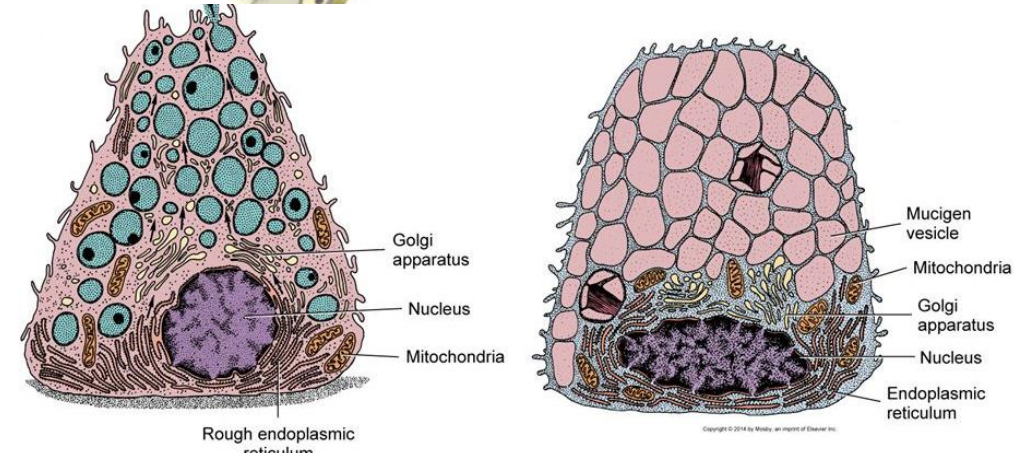
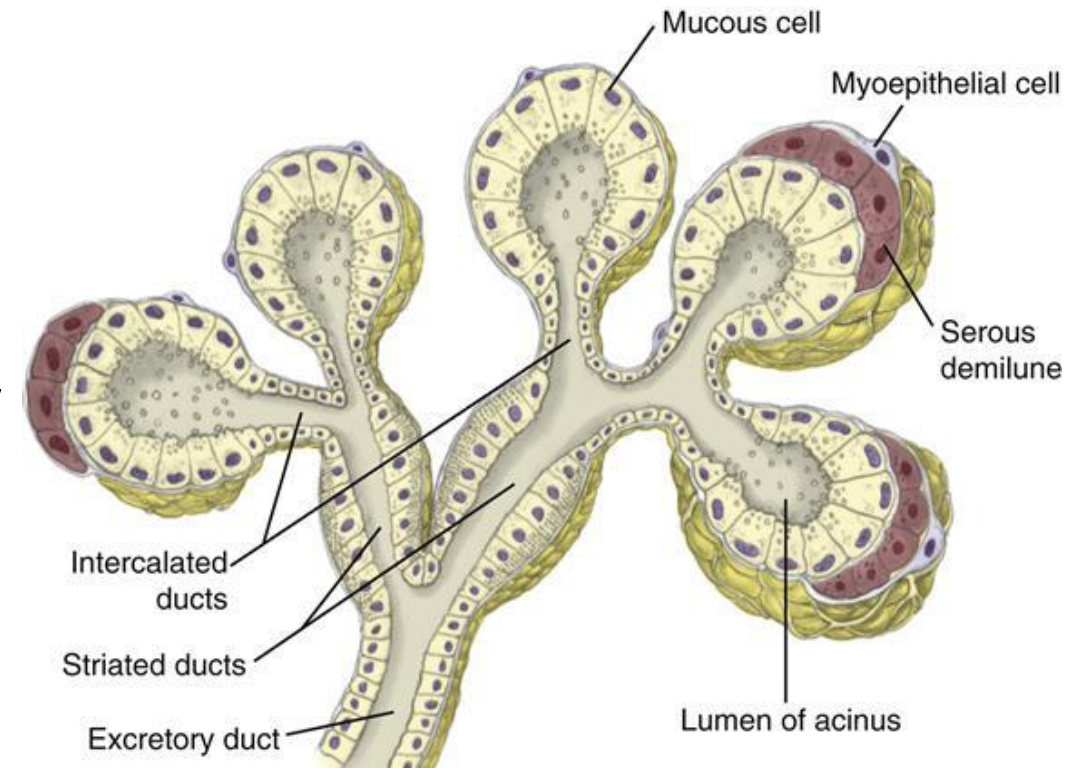
# MICROSCOPIC ANATOMY OF SALIVARY GLANDS

Secretory acini and ducts

- **ACINI**

Secretory Cells –

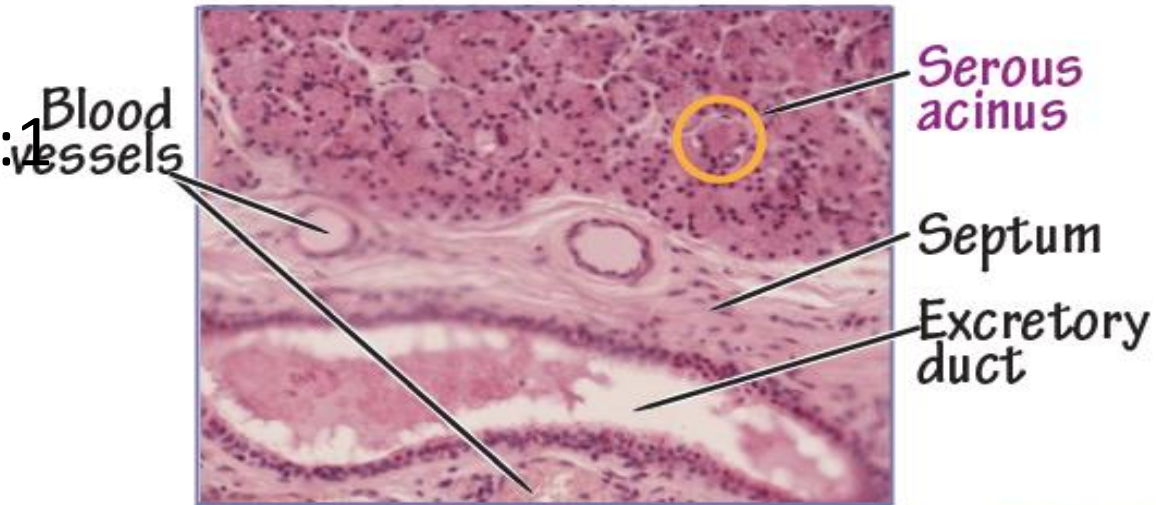
- ✓ Serous –spherical cells- Zymogen Granules- produce salivary proteins and enzymes.
- ✓ Mucous –Tubular cells- Mucin Granules- mucorproteins.
- ✓ Mixed- variable proportion of serus and mucous cells.
- ✓ **SEROUS DEMILUNE**- Serous cells at end of mucous acini, a staining artefact, where mucus cells swell and formalin fixation where serous cells form demilune.
- **MYOEPIHELIAL CELLS**
- **STROMA**- Lymphocytes and plasma cells- IgA



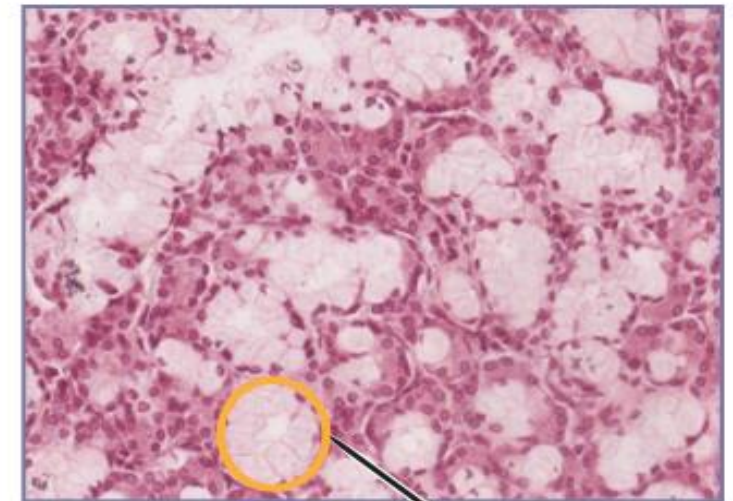


- PAROTID- serous, mucinous acini ratio 1:1
- Submandibular- mixed, predominantly serous.
- Sublingual- mixed, predominantly mucinous

*Parotid*

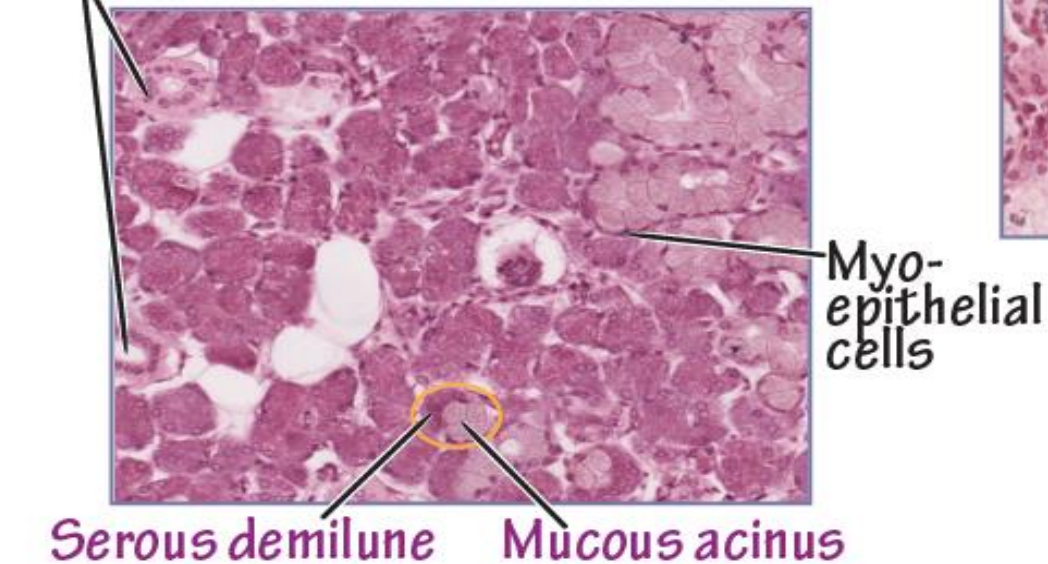


*Sublingual*



*Striated duct*

*Submandibular*



*Mucous acinus*

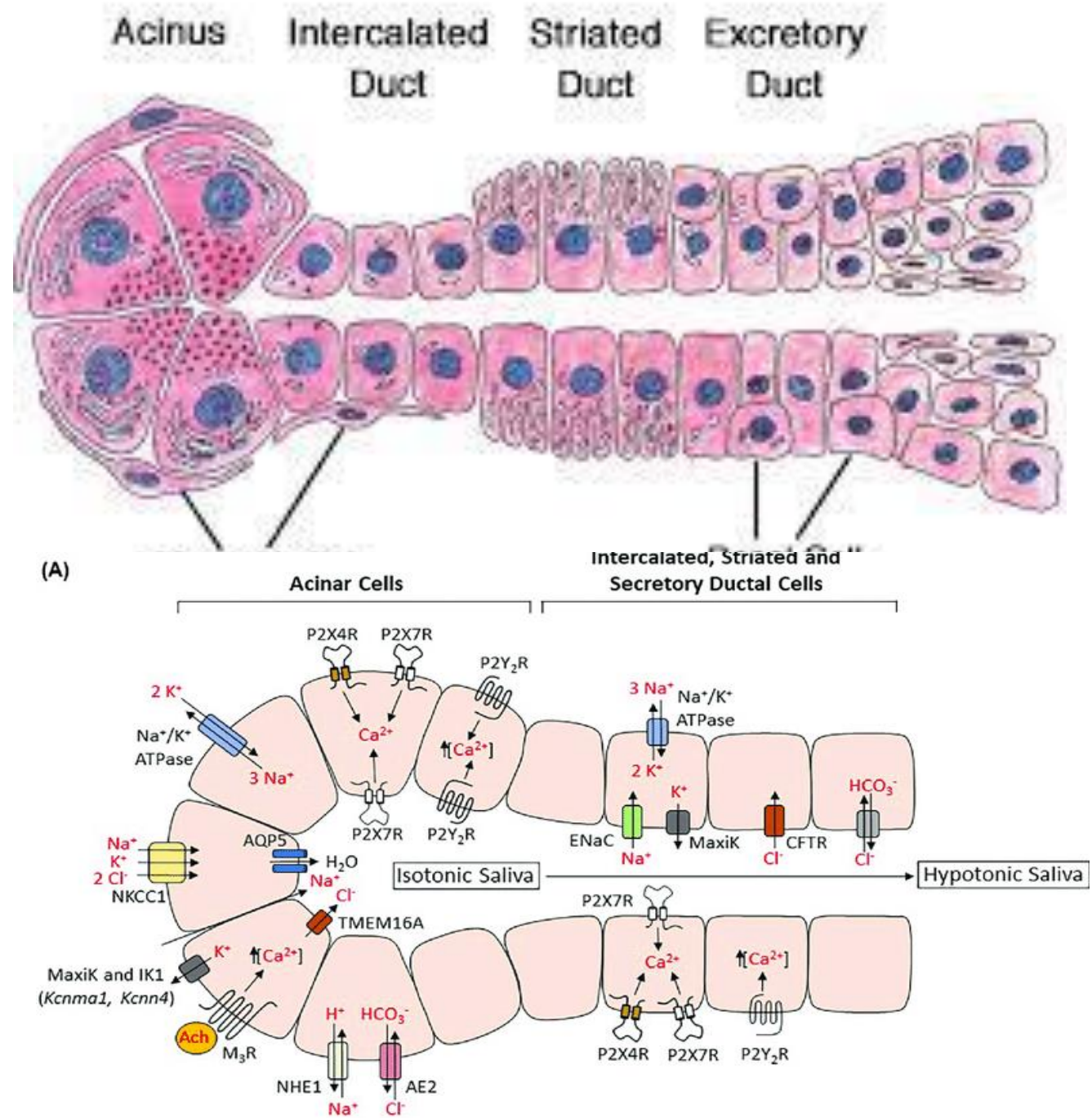
# DUCT

1. **Intercalated Duct**- low cuboidal epithelium and myoepithelial cells, carbonic anhydrase rich, secrete  $\text{HCO}_3^-$ , absorb chloride.

Poorly developed in mucus glands.

2. **Striated Duct**- folded basal and basolateral membrane, with numerous mitochondria, absorb sodium and secrete potassium from lumen – hypotonic saliva. Well developed in serous gland.

3. **Main Excretory Duct**- tall cuboidal cells proximally, pseudostratified columnar epithelium.





# SALIVARY COMPOSITION

- 99.5% water
- $K^{+}$ - 7x that of plasma
- $Na^{+}$ -  $1/10^{th}$  of Plasma
- Calcium, phosphorus, chloride, thiocyanate
- PH 5.6-7
- 1-1.5L per 24 Hrs
- Basal Salivary flow- 0.001-0.2mL/min/gland- Submandibular gland (69%), Parotid (26%), Minor salivary gland (7-8%), Sublingual Gland (5%)
- Stimulated flow -0.18-1.7 mL/min/gland. Parotid (69%), Submandibular gland (26%), Sublingual Gland (5%)
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# COMPONENTS AND FUNCTIONS OF SALIVA

Function		Responsible component
Oral protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lubrication</li><li>• Antimicrobial</li><li>• Growth factors</li><li>• Mucosal integrity</li><li>• Lavage/cleansing</li><li>• Buffering</li><li>• Remineralization</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mucins, proline-rich glycoproteins, water</li><li>• Amylase, complement, defensins, lysozyme, lactoferrin, lactoperoxidase, mucins, cystatins, histatins, proline-rich glycoproteins, secretory leukocyte protease inhibitor, statherin, thrombospondin</li><li>• EFG, TGF-<math>\alpha</math>, TGF-<math>\beta</math>, FGF, IGF-1 and IGF-2, NGF</li><li>• Mucins, electrolytes and water</li><li>• Water</li><li>• Bicarbonate, phosphate ions, proteins</li><li>• Calcium, phosphate, statherin, anionic proline-rich proteins</li></ul>
Digestion and speech production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alteration of food constituency</li><li>• Digestion</li><li>• Taste (Food solute)</li><li>• Speech (oral cavity lubrication)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Water, mucins</li><li>• Amylase, lipase, ribonuclease, proteases, water mucins</li><li>• Water, gustin</li><li>• Water, mucins</li></ul>

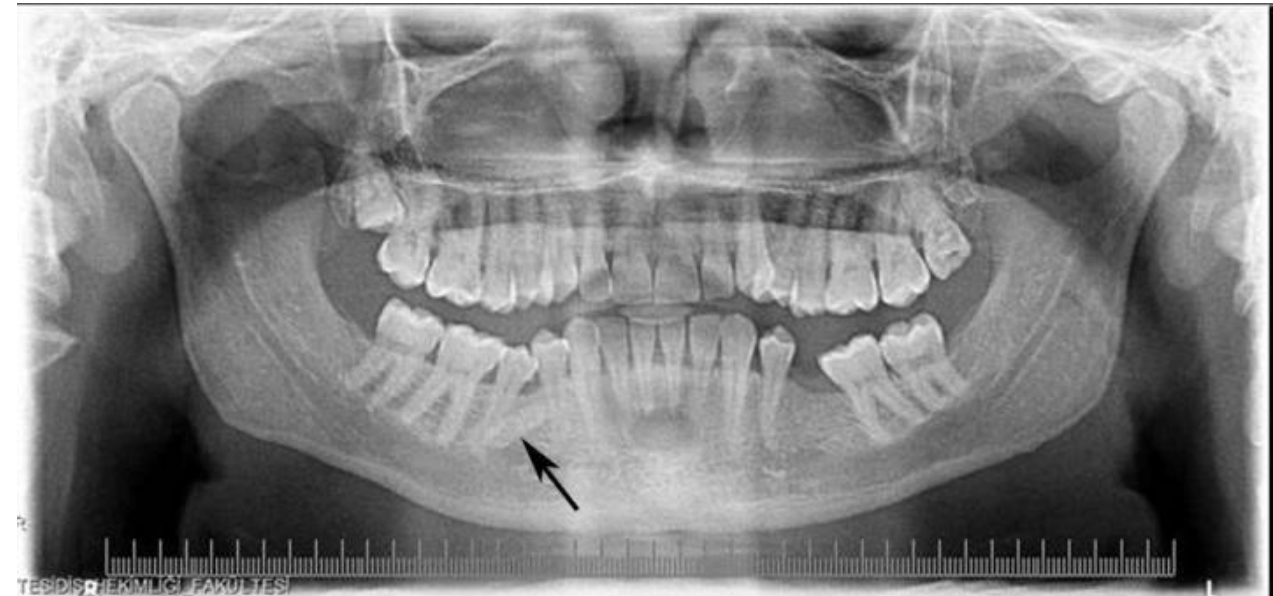


# SIALOLITHIASIS

Calculus formation in ductal system in gland

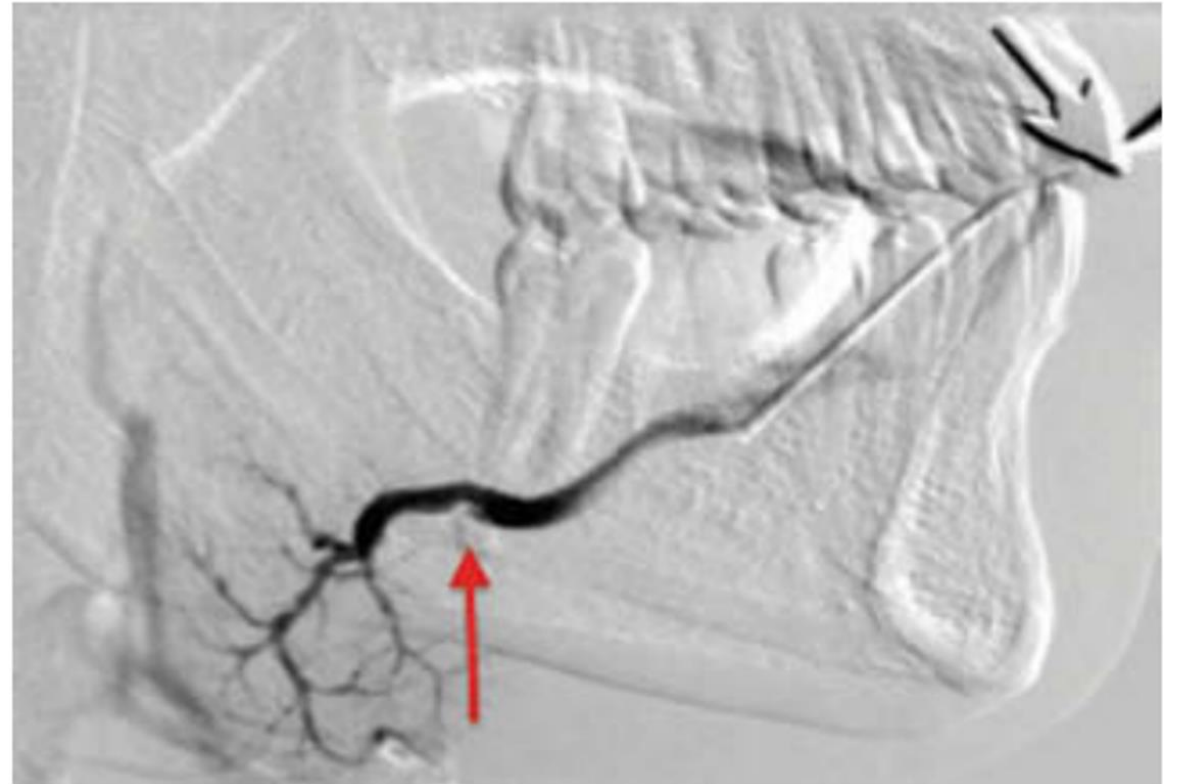
Submandibular- 83%> Parotid 10%>Sublingual 7%>  
minor salivary gland in upper lip.

- Abundant in calcium conc, Alkaline pH, strong basal salivary flow rate, Wharton's duct is longest, has 2 sharp curves and small punctum.
- 30% of parotid sialoliths radiolucent
- Factors contributing-
- Dehydration
- Reduced flow/stasis
- Mucosal inflammation- retention of cellular and bacterial debris.
- MX- manual expressing and removing via transoral route, ECSWL, Sialendoscopy.



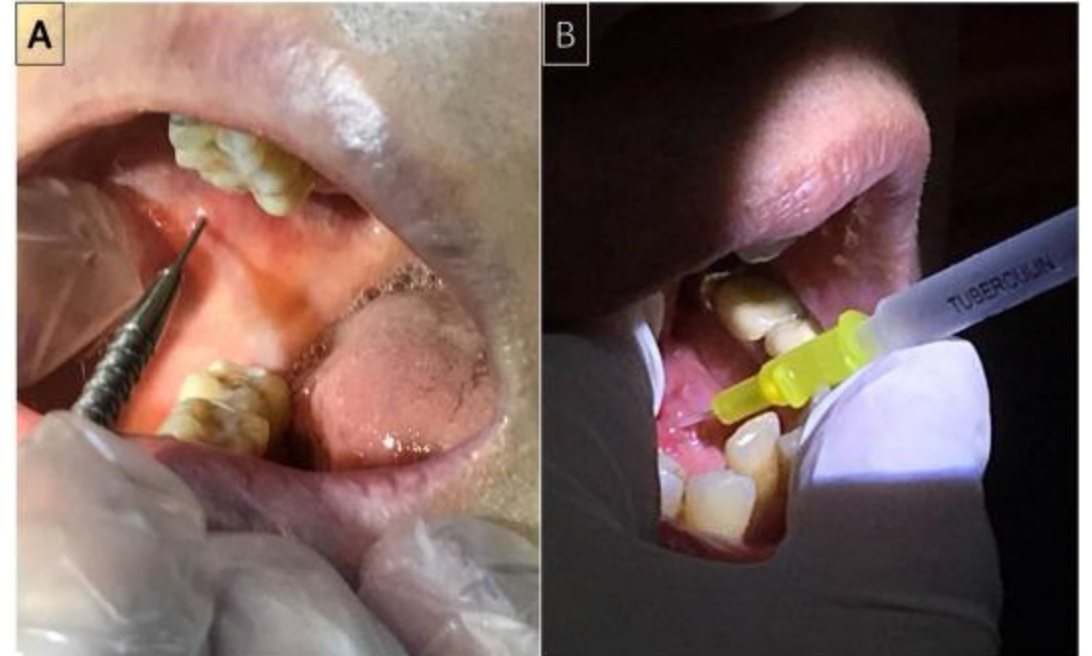
# SIALOGRAPHY

- Performed with water soluble contrast material
- Defines ductal anatomy well
- Used to detect –
  - ✓ Perforations
  - ✓ Fistula tract
  - ✓ Calculi
  - ✓ Tumor



## PAROTID DUCT CANNULATION –

- Cannulate intraoral parotid duct papilla with a small (19-gauge) silastic tube
- Observe If tube is visible in wound
- Small amount of saline injected and flow observed
- Avoid Methylene blue





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