Orbicularis Oris muscle

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Muscle	Origin	Insertion	Nerve	Action
Orbicularis Oris	Deep surface of skin; Superiorly: maxilla (median plane); Inferiorly: mandible	Mucous membrane of lips	Facial Nerve CN VII	Acts as oral sphincter: Compresses and protrudes lips (whistling, sucking, kissing); Resists distension (when blowing)

2 Origin

Deep surface of skin; **Superiorly**: maxilla (median plane); **Inferiorly**: mandible¹

3 Insertion

Mucous membrane of lips¹

4 Innervation

Facial Nerve CN VII¹

5 Action

Acts as oral sphincter:¹

- Compresses and protrudes lips (whistling, sucking, kissing)¹
- Resists distension (when blowing)¹

Clinical Significance

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