

Nasalis muscle

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1 OIAN

Muscle	Origin	Insertion	Nerve	Action
Nasalis	Maxilla (superior region of canine ridge)	Nasal cartilages	Facial Nerve CN VII	Flares nostrils by drawing ala (side) of nose toward nasal septum

2 Origin

Maxilla (superior region of canine ridge)¹

3 Insertion

Nasal cartilages¹

4 Innervation

Facial Nerve CN VII¹

5 Action

Flares nostrils by drawing ala (side) of nose toward nasal septum¹

Clinical Significance

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