Zygomaticus major muscle

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1 OIAN

Muscle	Origin	Insertion	Nerve	Action
Zygomaticus major	Zygomatic bone (lateral surface, post. part)	Skin at the corner of the mouth	Facial Nerve CN VII	Pulls corner of mouth superiorly and laterally

2 Origin

Zygomatic bone (lateral surface, post. $part)^1$

3 Insertion

Skin at the corner of the mouth¹



A Zygomaticus major and minor, left lateral view.



B Levator labii superioris and depressor labii inferioris, left lateral view.



C Levator and depressor anguli oris, left lateral view.



D Buccinator, left lateral view.



E Orbicularis oris, anterior view.



F Mentalis, anterior view.

Figure 1: Muscles of the Mouth¹

4 Innervation

Facial Nerve CN VII¹

5 Action

Pulls corner of mouth superiorly and laterally¹

Clinical Significance

1. Gilroy AM, MacPherson BR, Wikenheiser JC, Voll MM, Wesker K, Schünke M, eds. $Atlas\ of\ Anatomy$. 4th ed. Thieme; 2020.