

SURGICAL ANATOMY

PHARYNX

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PHARYNX

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- Sites
- Histology
- Anatomy
- Applied anatomy

ANATOMY

INTRODUCTION

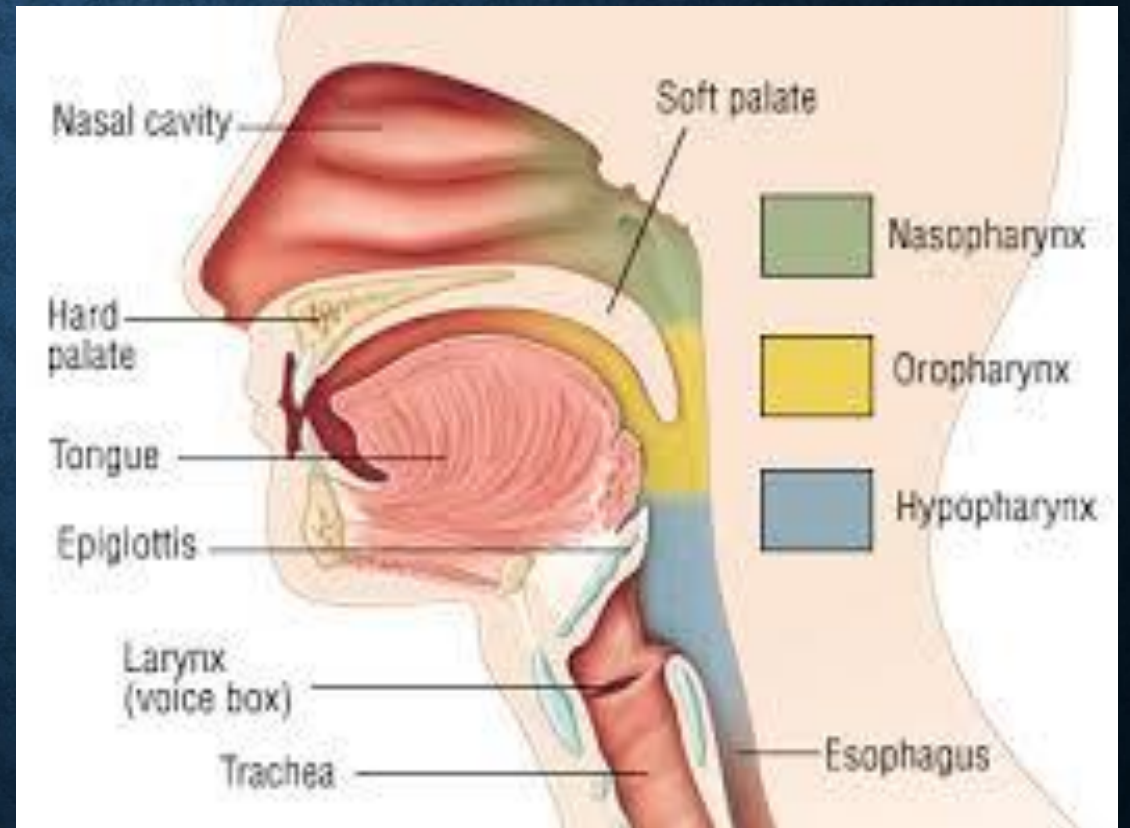
- The pharynx is situated behind the nasal cavities, the mouth, and the larynx.
- It may be divided into nasal, oral, and laryngeal parts.
- Its upper, wider end lying under the skull.
- Its lower, narrow end becoming continuous with the oesophagus opposite the sixth cervical vertebra.

ANATOMY SITES

➤Nasopharynx

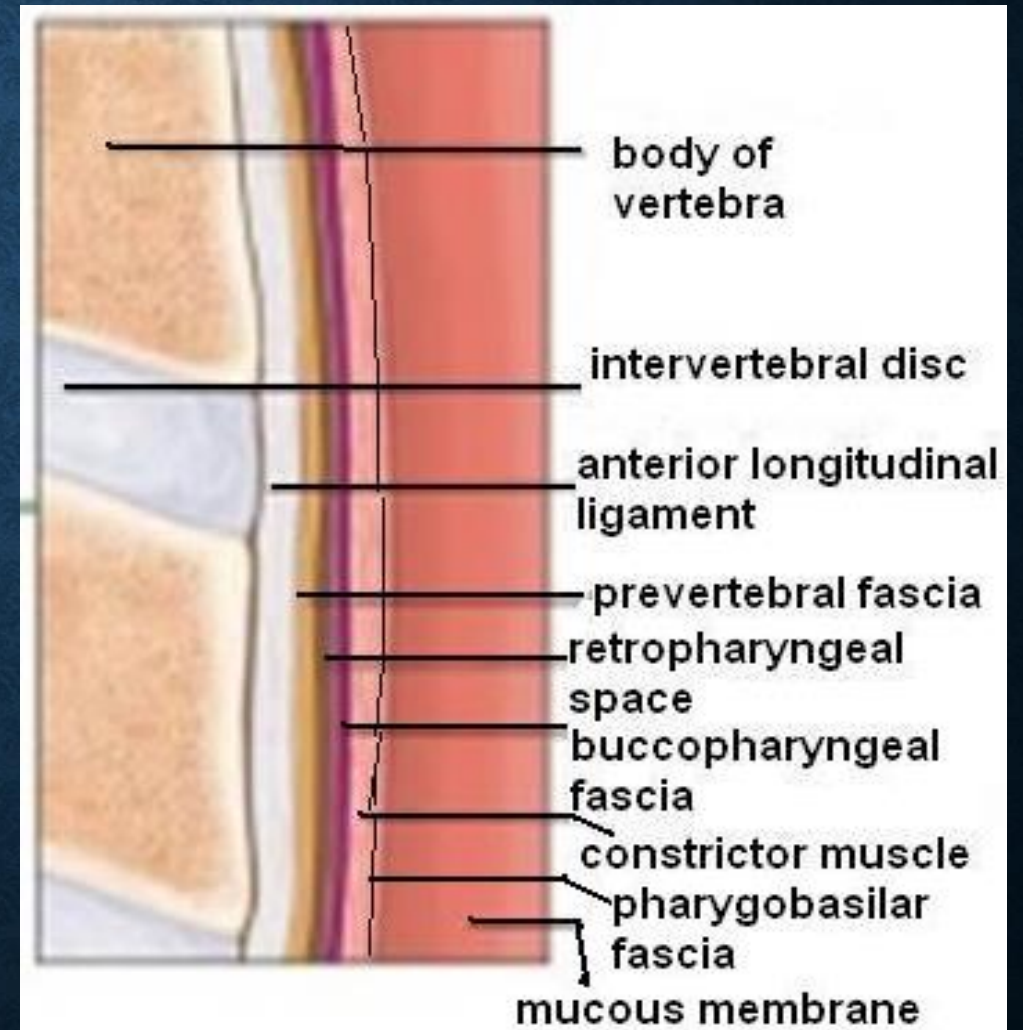
➤Oropharynx

➤Hypopharynx



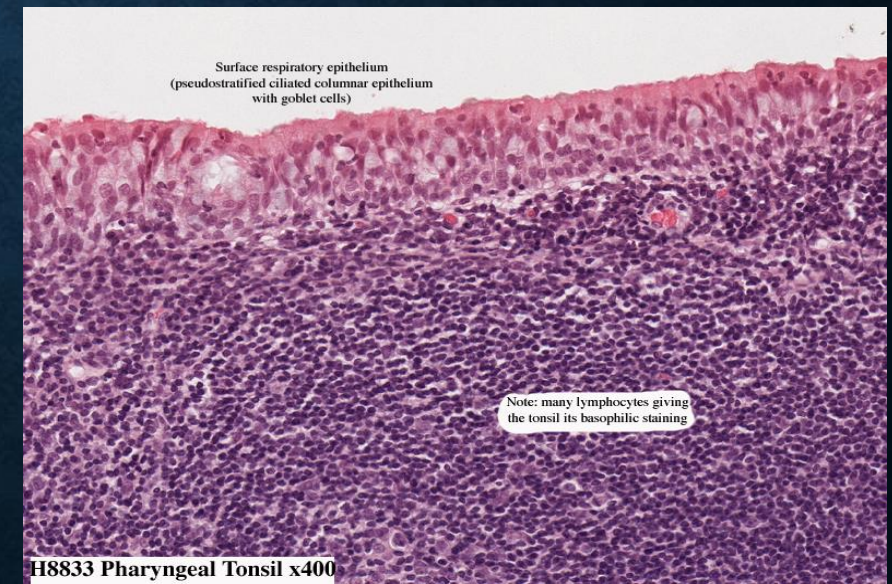
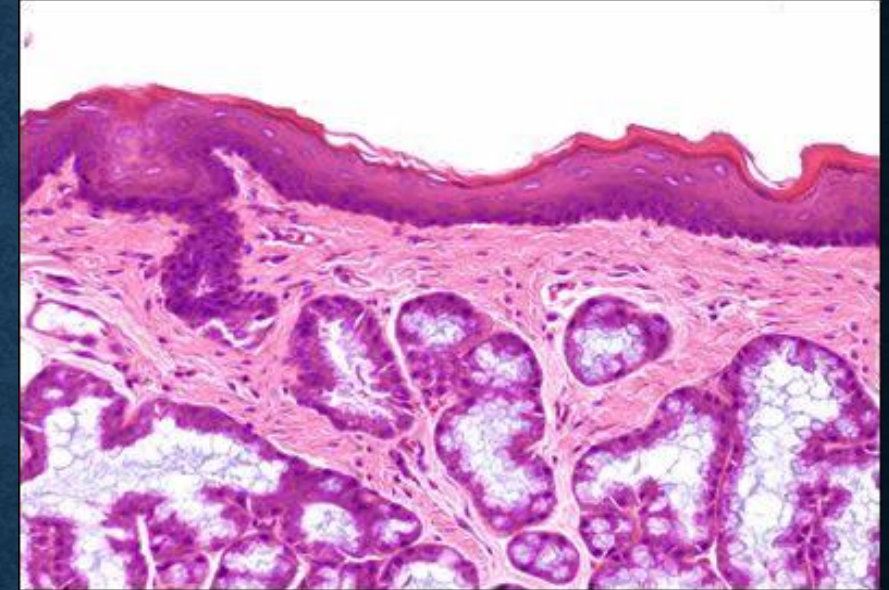
ANATOMY HISTOLOGY

- It is a musculo-membranous wall, composed of:
 - Mucosa & submucosa.
 - Pharyngobasilar fascia.
 - Muscles: circular & longitudinal.
 - Buccopharyngeal fascia (middle layer of deep cervical fascia).



ANATOMY HISTOLOGY

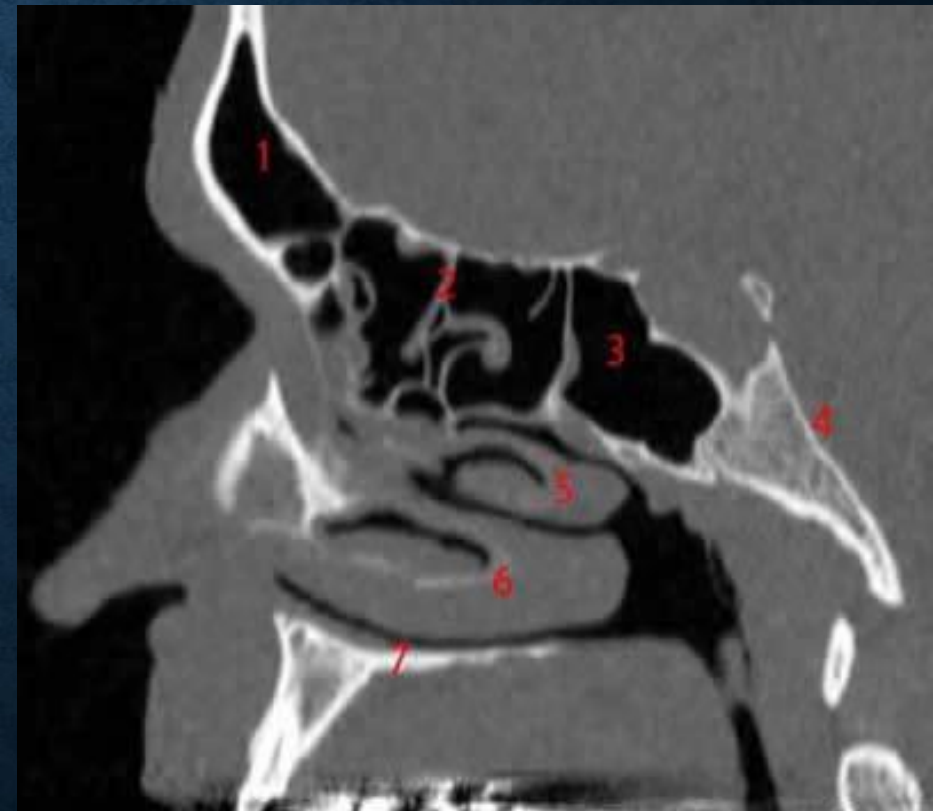
- Mucosa :
 - Epithelium :
 - Stratified squamous epithelium
 - pseudostratified ciliated columnar with goblet cells (pharyngeal tonsil i.e adenoid)
 - Lamina propria :
 - Minor salivary gland
 - Lymphoid tissue (adenoid , tonsil)



H8833 Pharyngeal Tonsil x400

ANATOMY NASOPHARYNX BOUNDARIES

- Anterior : **nasal cavity** at the choanae
- Inferior : **oropharynx** at the lower border of the soft palate.
- Superior : **body of sphenoid** & basal part of the occipital bone , contain adenoid .
- Posterior : supported by anterior arch of **atlas (C1)**.

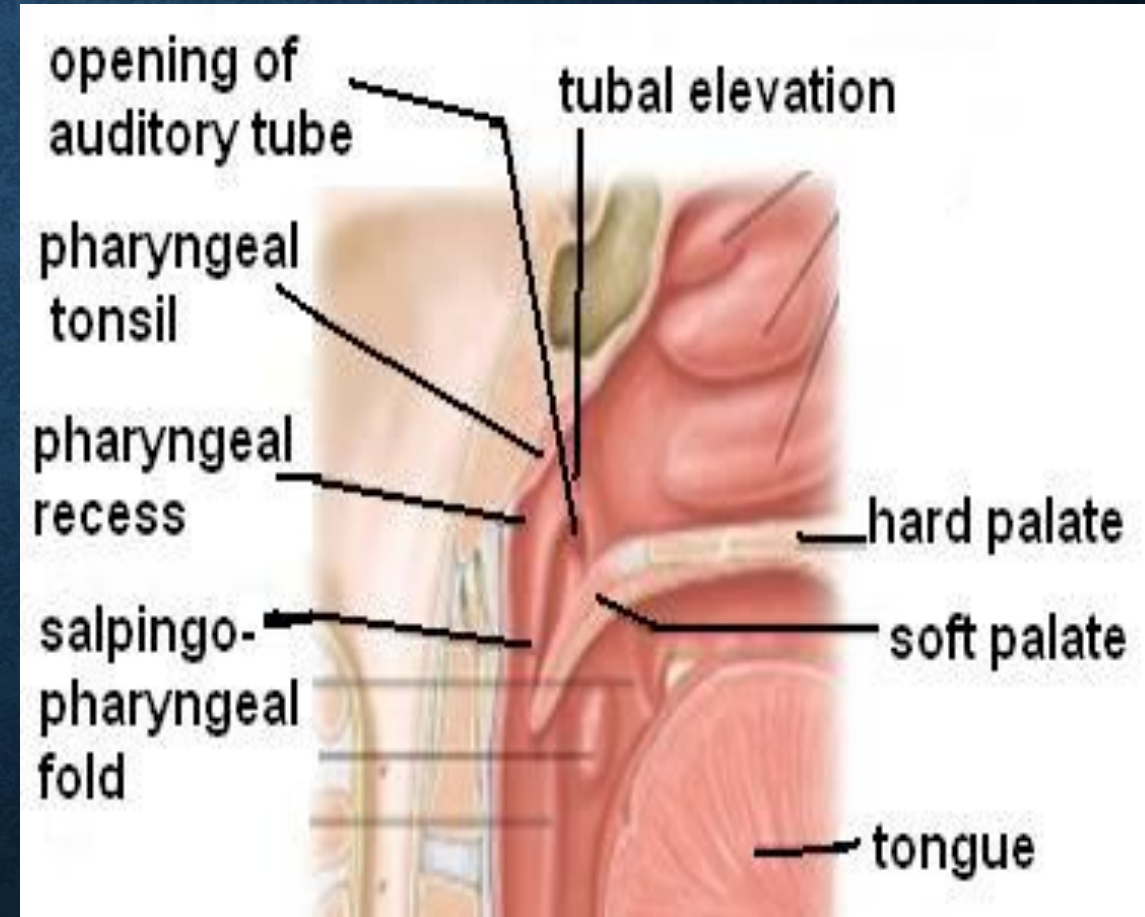


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NASOPHARYNX

LATERAL WALL

- Opening of auditory tube
- Tubal elevation (produced by posterior margin of tube)
- Pharyngeal recess
- Tubal tonsil
- Salpingopharyngeal fold (raised by salpingo-pharyngeus muscle)
- Nerve supply:
Maxillary division of trigeminal (CNV)



ANATOMY NASOPHARYNX SUBSITES

- Posterior wall
- Lateral wall
- Soft palate

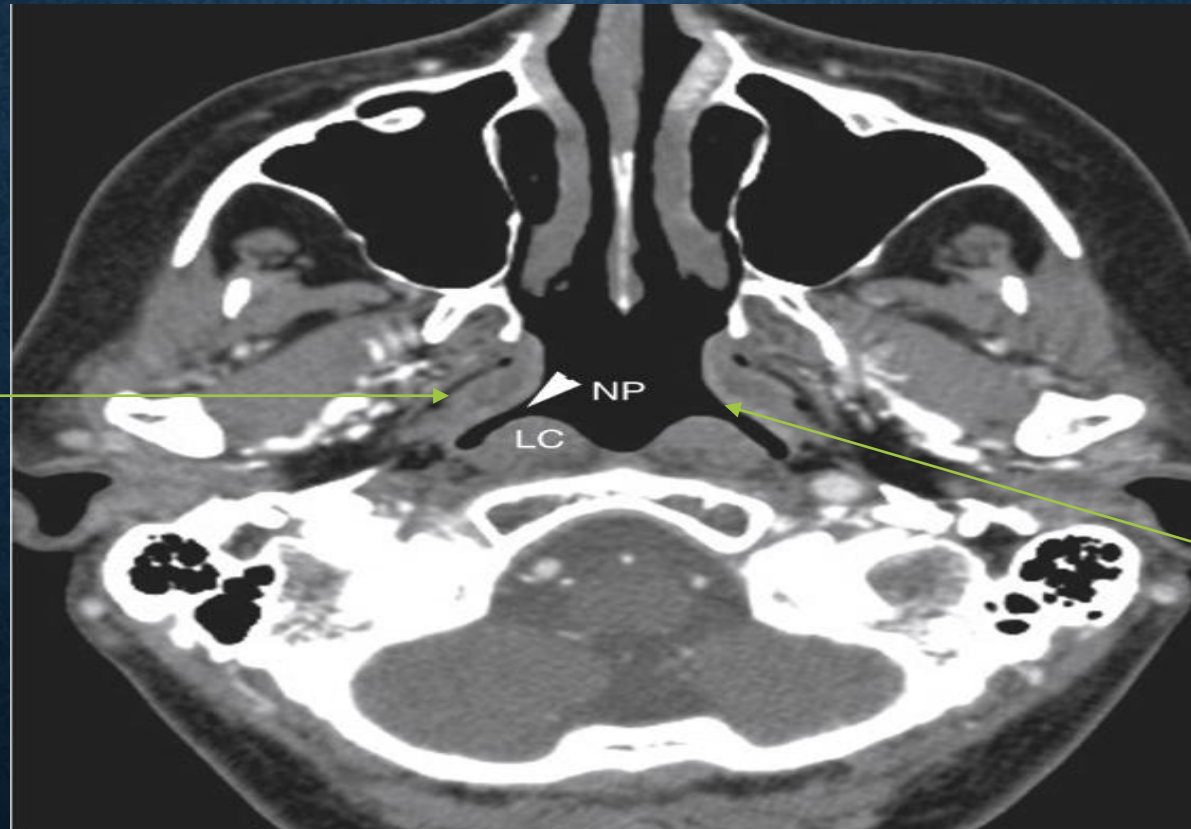
Landmarks :

- Eustachian tube. (Serous otitis media, adenoid hypertrophy).
- The fossa of Rosenmuller, (most common site of NP carcinoma)



ANATOMY NASOPHARYNX SUBSITES

Eustachian tube



fossa of
Rosenmuller

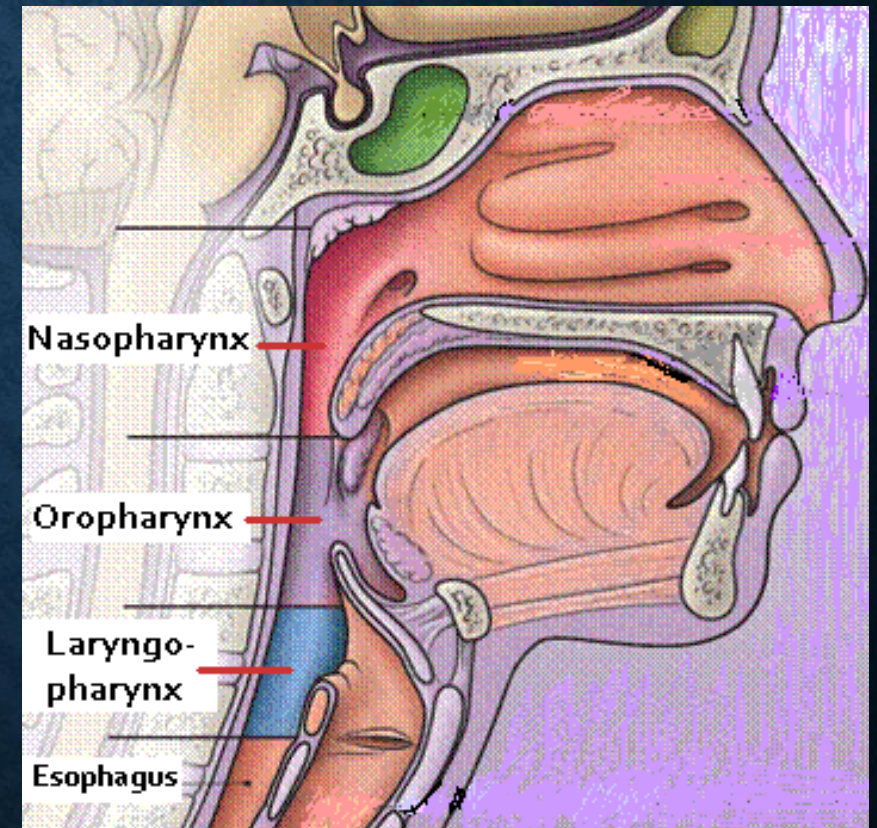
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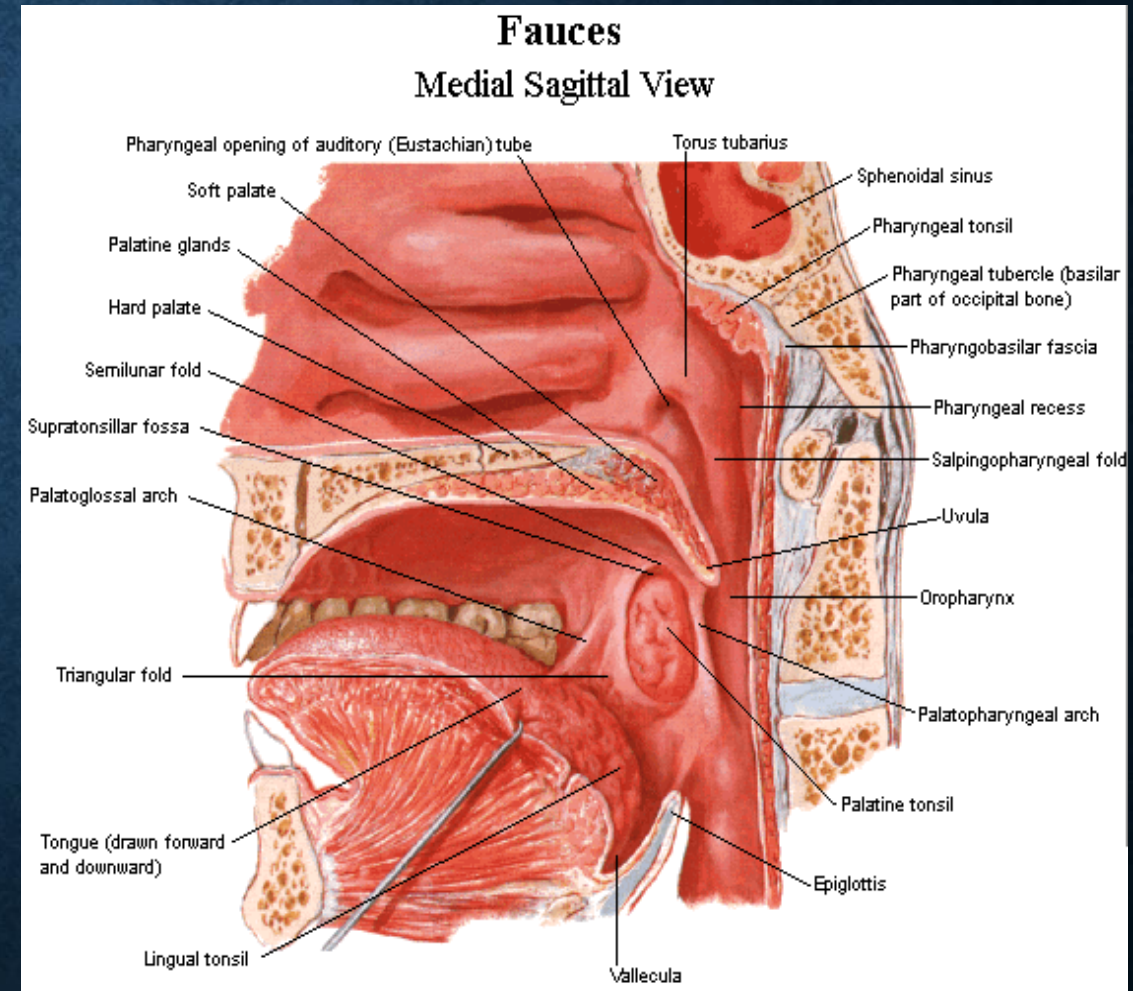
OROPHARYNX

- Extends from soft palate to upper border of epiglottis.



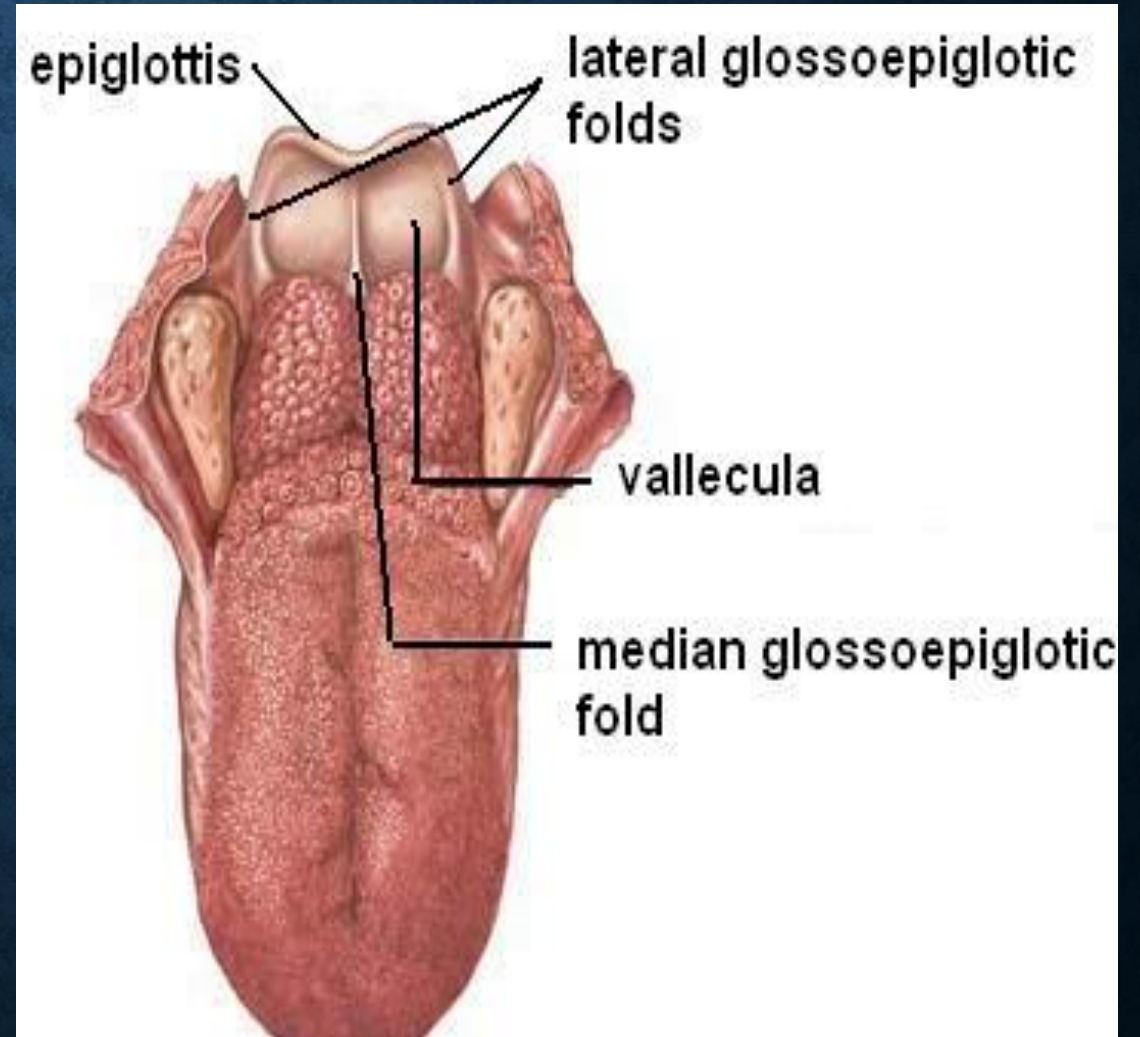
ANATOMY OROPHARYNX BOUNDARIES

- Anterior wall: opening of the oral cavity.
- Posterior wall: supported by body of C2 and upper part of body of C3 vertebra.
- Superior : soft palate and pharyngeal isthmus.



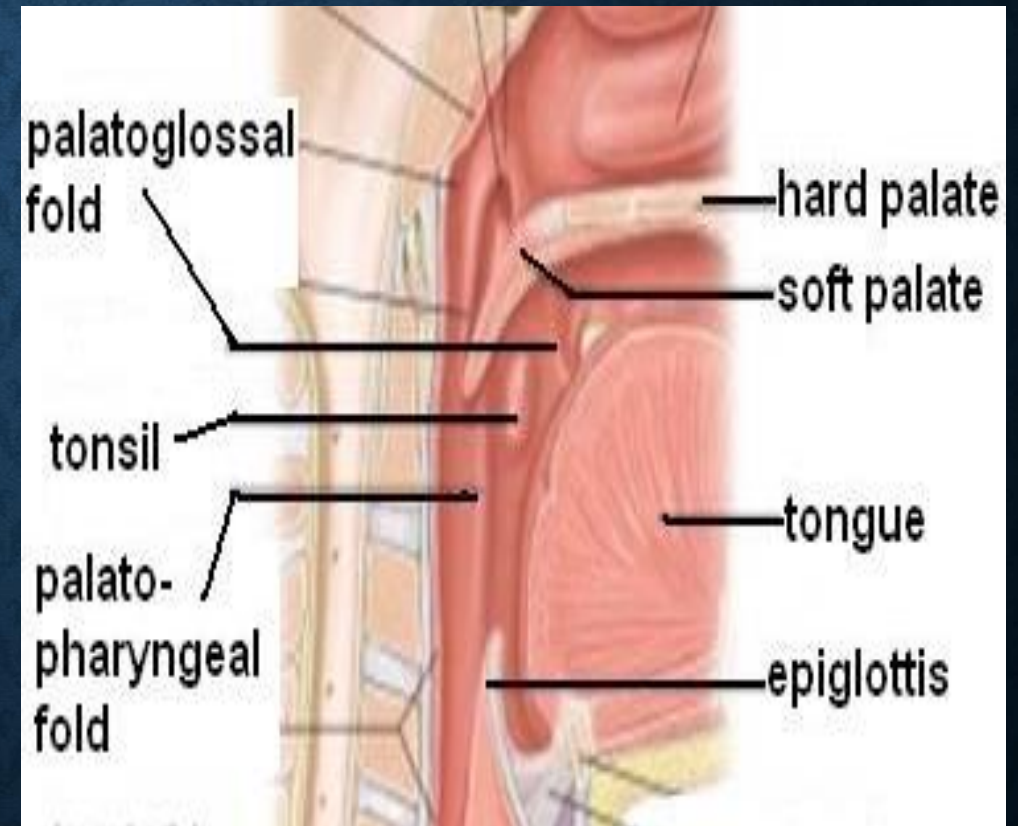
ANATOMY OROPHARYNX BOUNDARIES

- Inferior :
 - Posterior one third of tongue.
 - Median & lateral glossoepiglottic folds.
 - Valleculae.



ANATOMY OROPHARYNX BOUNDARIES

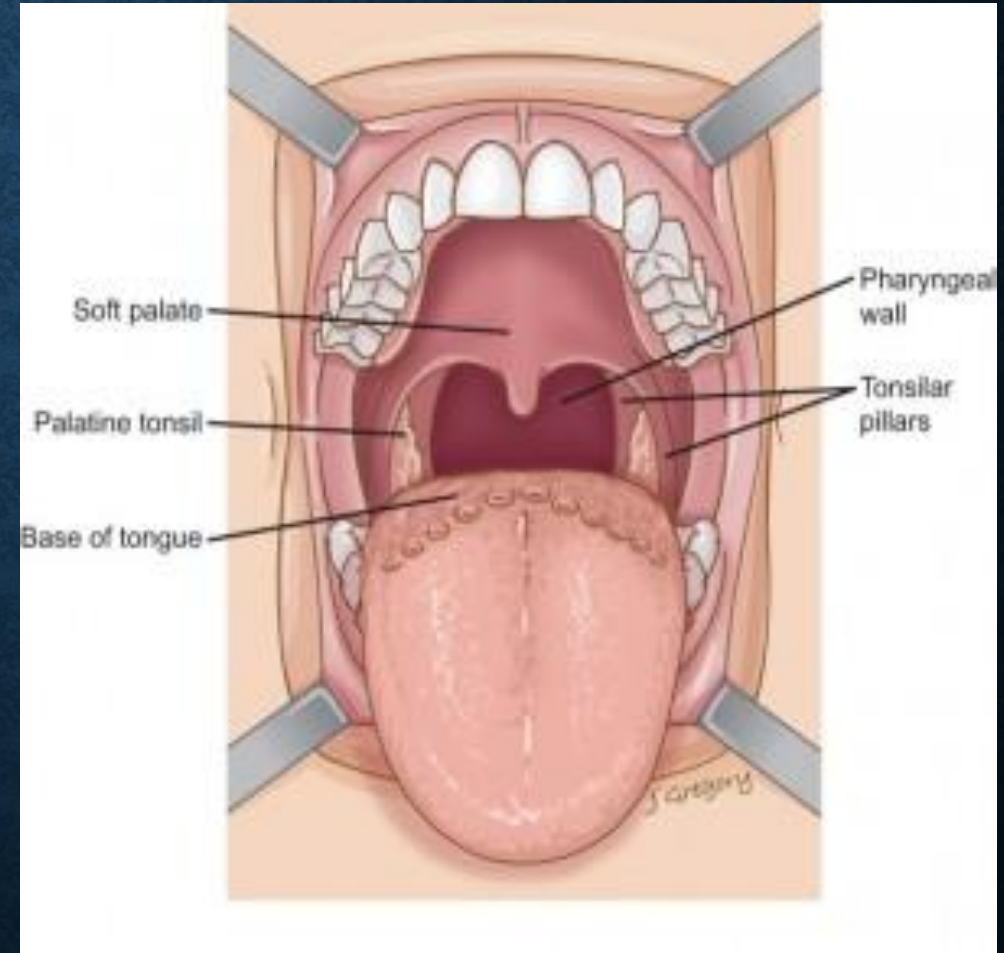
- Lateral wall
 - Palatopharyngeal folds.
 - Palatoglossal folds.
 - Palatine tonsil.



ANATOMY OROPHARYNX SUBSITES

- Soft Palate.
- Tongue base
- Tonsil:
 - Tonsillar hypertrophy
 - Most common site of oropharyngeal Carcinoma.
- Lateral Pharyngeal Wall.
- Posterior Pharyngeal Wall.

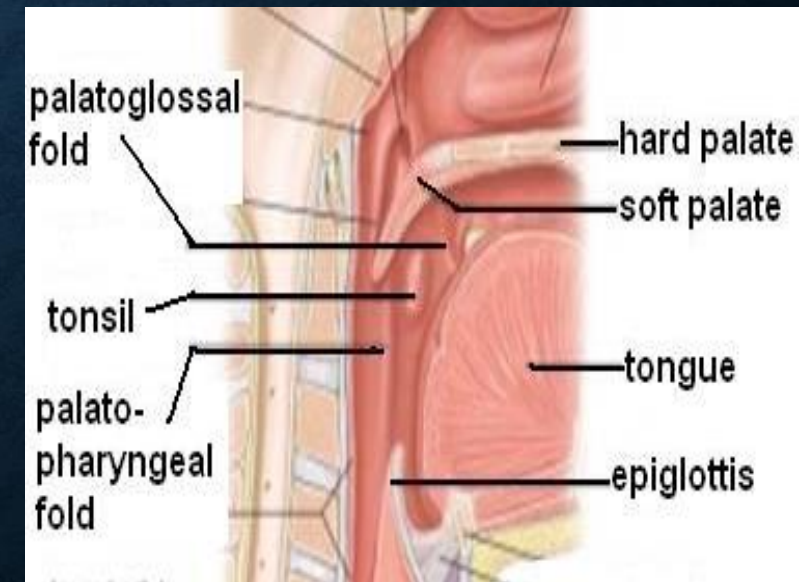
Nerve supply : glossopharyngeal (CN IX).



OROPHARYNX

PALATINE TONSIL

- Subepithelial lymphoid tissue.
- Located in the palatine fossa, in the lateral wall of the oropharynx.
- Reaches its maximum size during early childhood, but after puberty diminishes in size .
- Lateral surface: covered by a fibrous capsule. (peritonsillar space)



OROPHARYNX

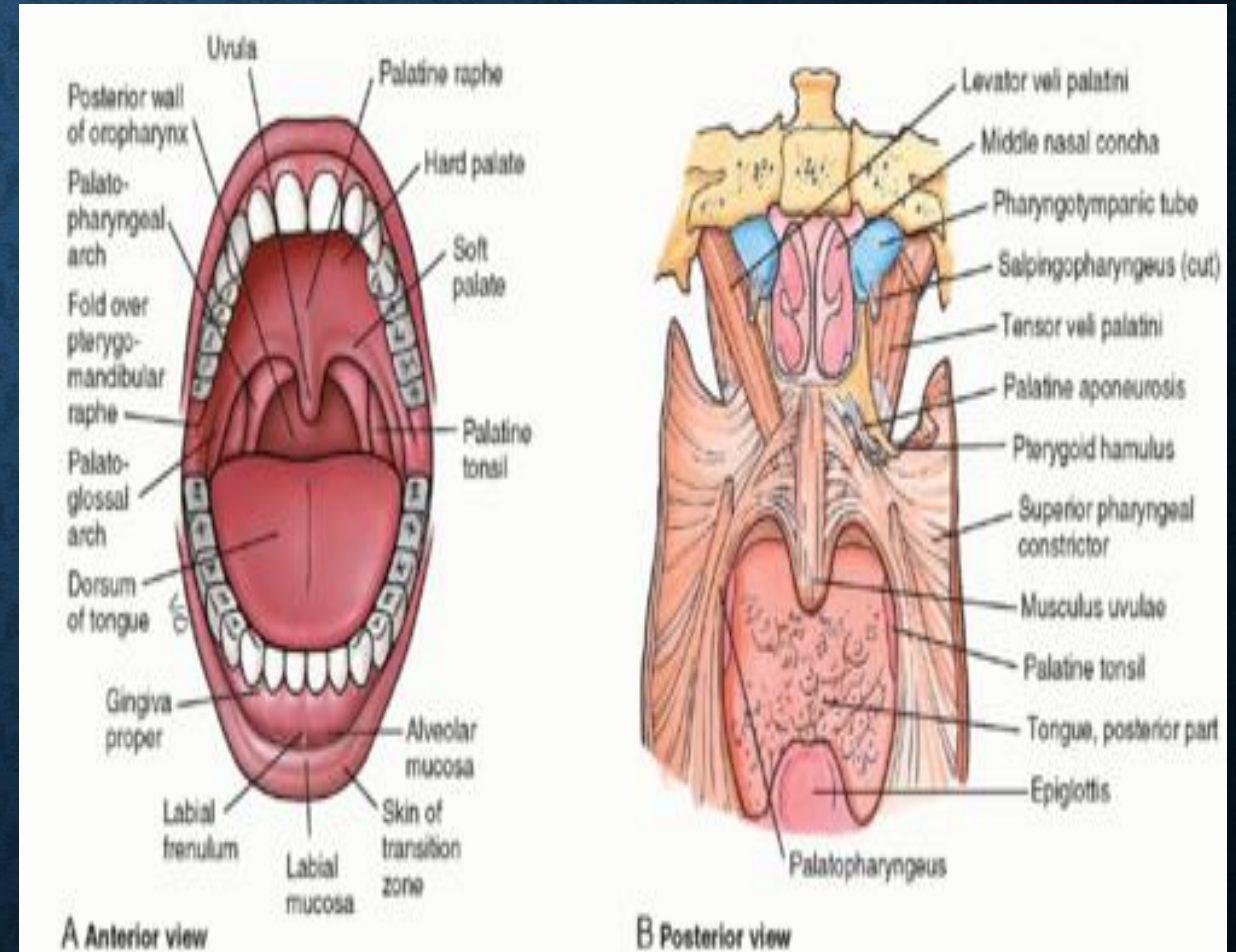
SOFT PALATE

Palatine aponeurosis: skeleton where muscle inserted :

- Tensor veli palatine.
- Levator veli palatine.
- Uvular.
- Palatoglossus.
- Palatopharyngeal.

** cleft palate .

** nasal regurgitation & aspiration .



OROPHARYNX

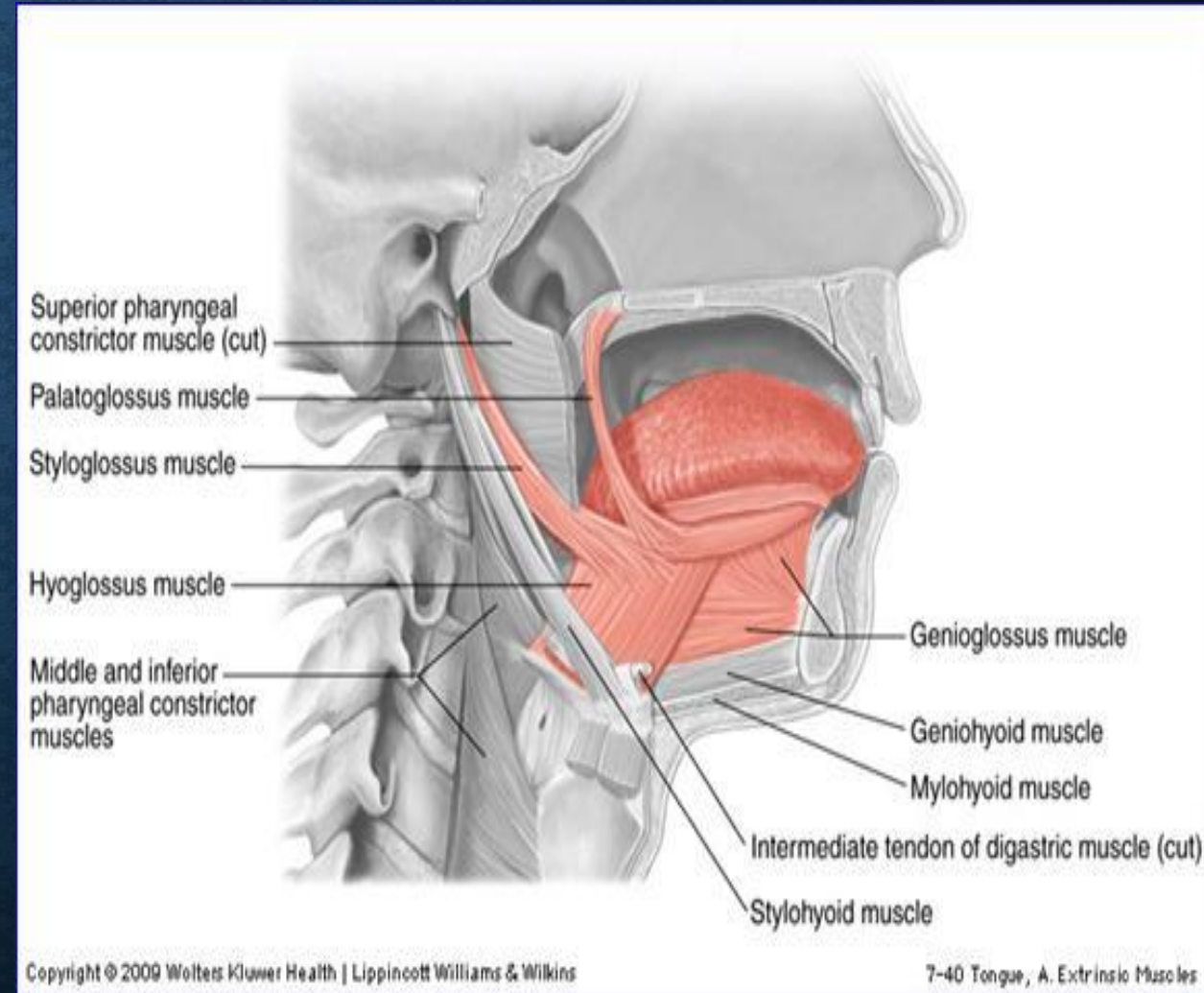
BASE OF TONGUE (BOT)

Tongue muscles(extrinsic) :

- Palatoglossus.
- Styloglossus.
- Genioglossus.
- Hyoglossus.

Deep invasion by tumor :

- Tongue movement restriction
- Advanced tumor stage



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NERVE SUPPLY

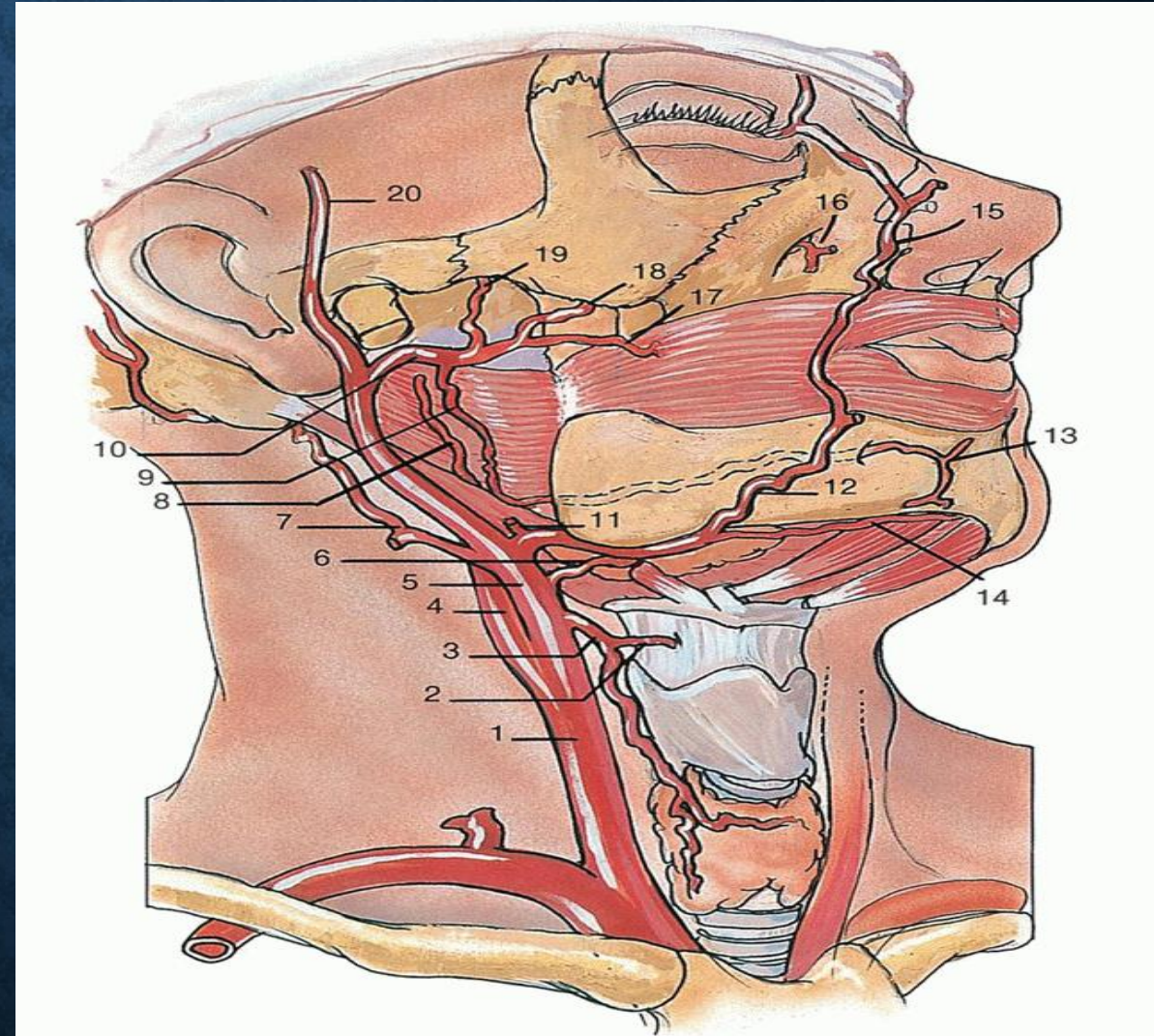
- Palate muscles supplied by(CN IX & X)
 - Tensor veli palatine (CN V3)
- Tongue muscles supplied by (CN XII)
 - Palatoglossus (CN IX & X)

****Referred otalgia**

OROPHARYNX BLOOD SUPPLY

ECA :

- Superior thyroid
- Lingual
- Occipital
- Facial
- Ascending pharyngeal
- Post auricular
- Internal maxillary
- Superficial temporal;



OROPHARYNX BLOOD SUPPLY

- Surgical ligation or embolization
 - Post tonsillectomy bleeding
- Lymphatics
 - (jugulodigastric node)

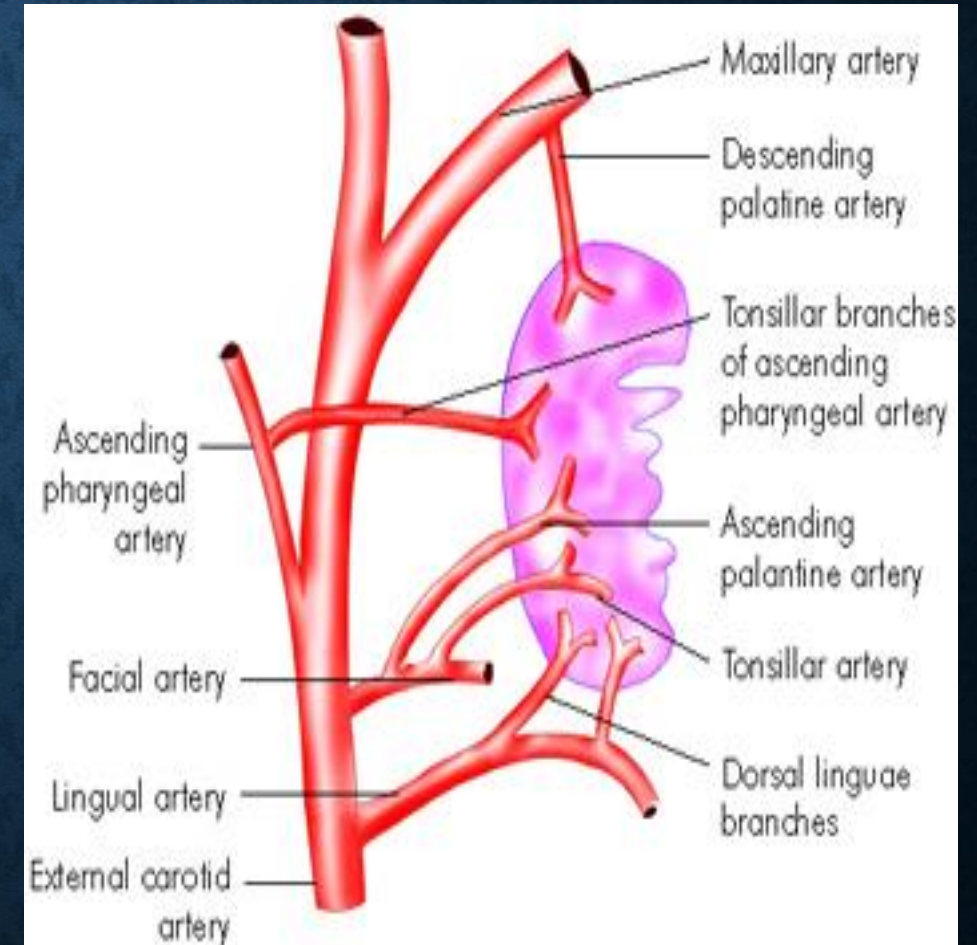
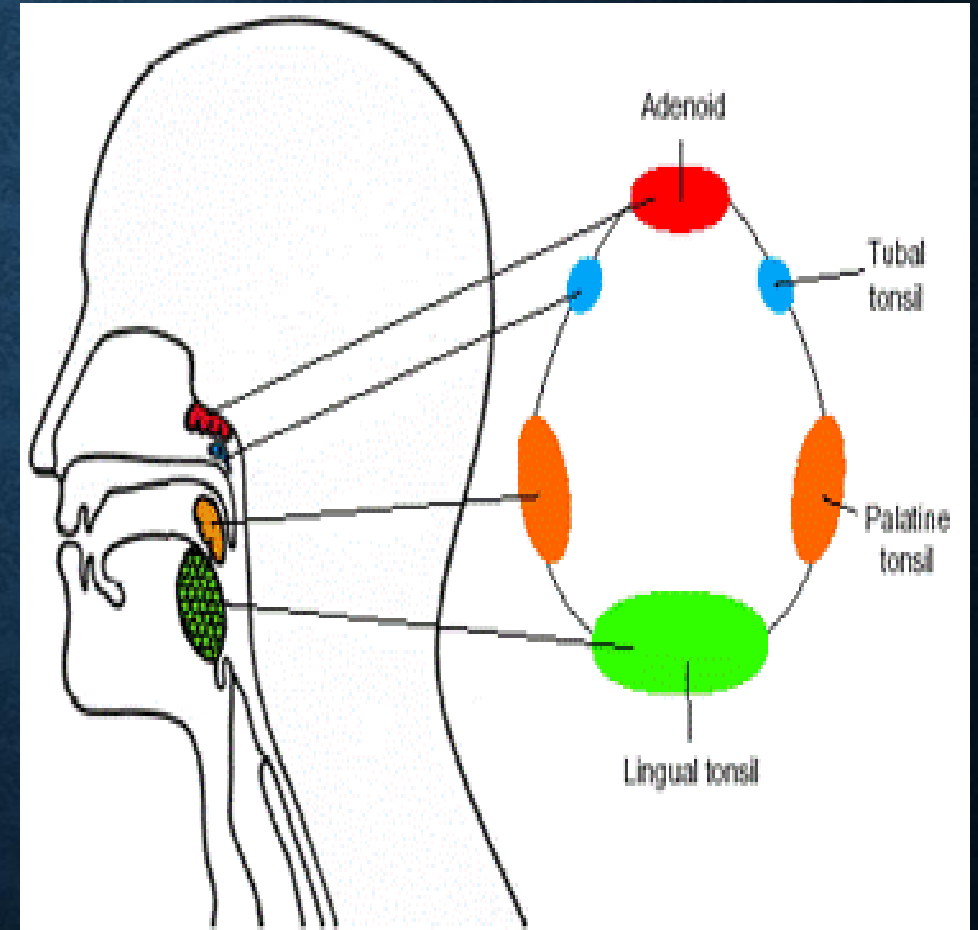


Fig. 50.3 Arterial supply of tonsil.

WALDEYER'S RING

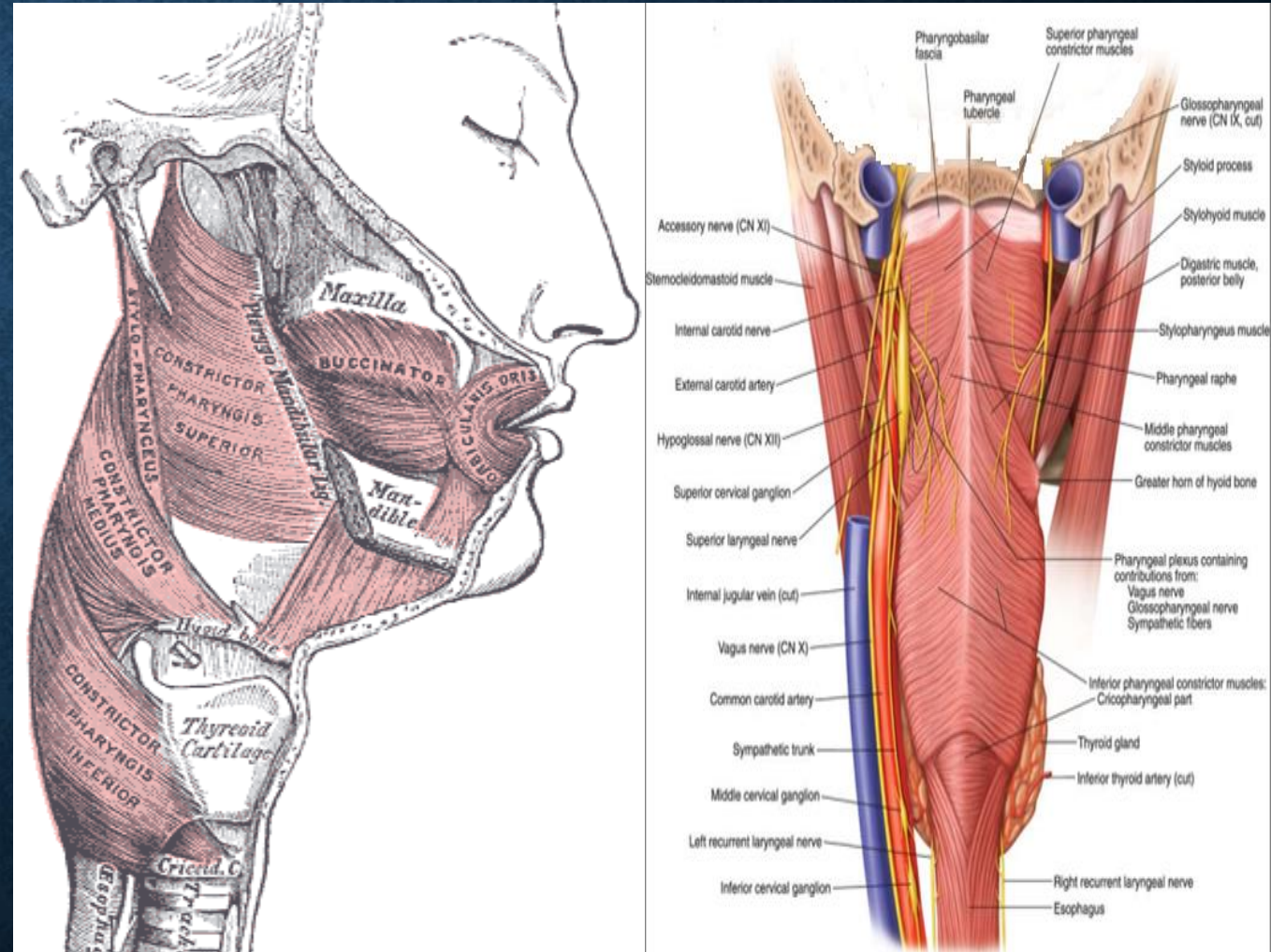
- It is a lymphoid tissue ring located in the pharynx.
- Function as a barrier to infection especially in the first few years of life.
- Consists :
 - Adenoids (pharyngeal tonsils)
 - Tubal tonsil
 - Palatine tonsil
 - Lingual tonsil



PHARYNX MUSCLES

- Superior, Middle & Inferior.
- Extend around the pharynx and are inserted posteriorly into a fibrous raphe that extends from the pharyngeal tubercle on the occipital bone to the esophagus.
- propel the bolus of food down into the esophagus

**** dysphagia**



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INFERIOR CONSTRICTOR MUSCLE

- **Origin:** lamina of thyroid cartilage, cricoid cartilage

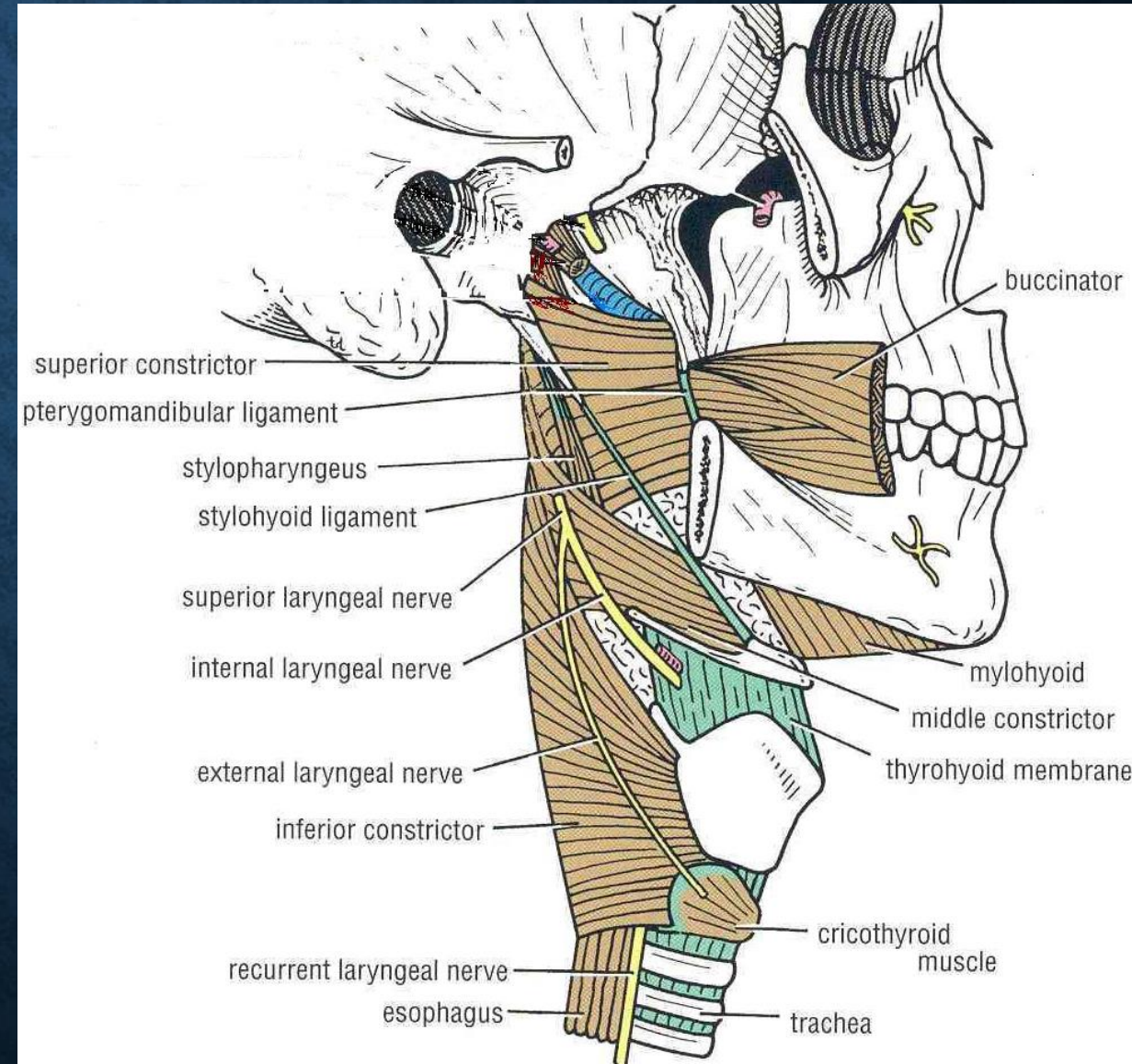
- **Insertion:** pharyngeal raphe

➤ **Cricopharyngeus** (lower fibers of the inferior constrictor)

- act as a Upper esophageal sphincter.

- preventing the entry of air into the esophagus between the acts of swallowing

**** CP spasm , dysphagia**



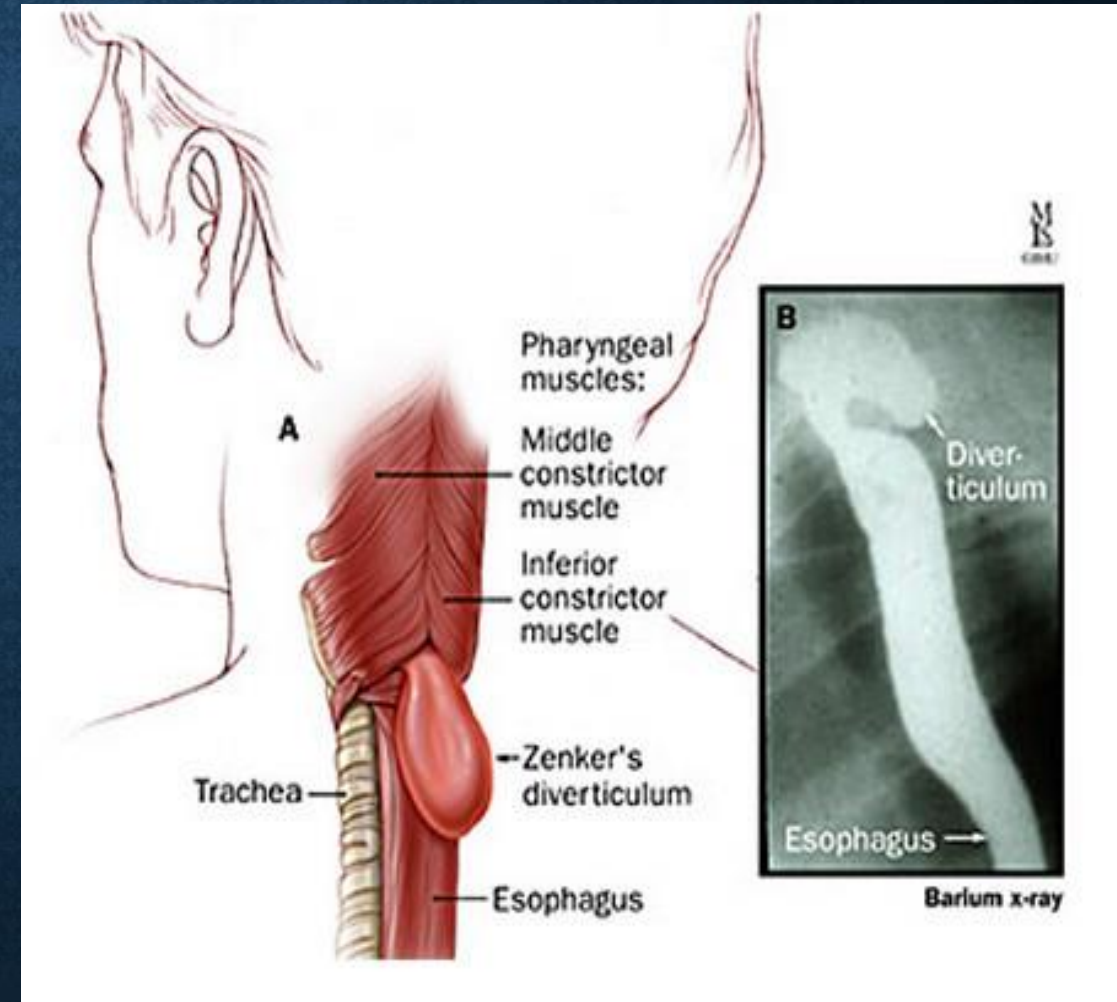
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INFERIOR CONSTRICTOR MUSCLE

- Area of weakness :

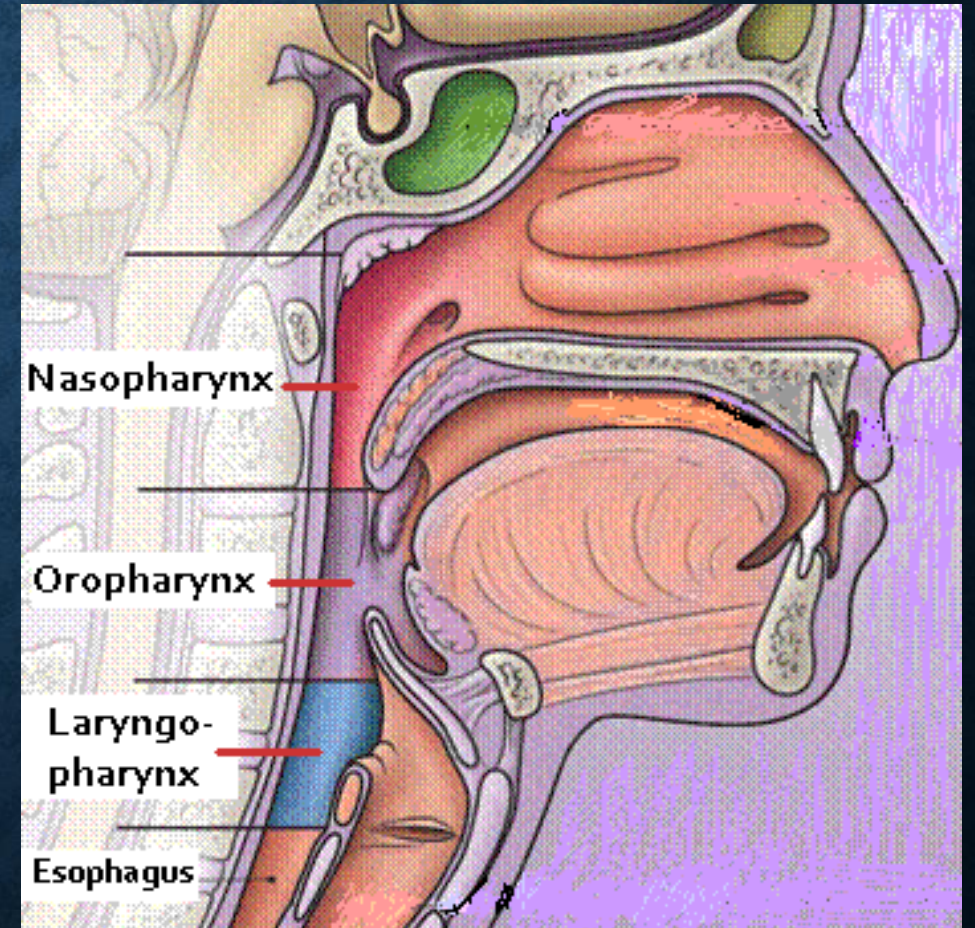
Killian's Triangle : Zenker's Diverticulum

➤ dysphagia & aspiration in elderly



HYPOPHARYNX

- Extends from upper border of epiglottis to lower border of cricoid cartilage (C6).
- Narrowed to become esophagus .
- Nerve supply
 - Internal laryngeal branch (SLN) of the vagus nerve (CNX)



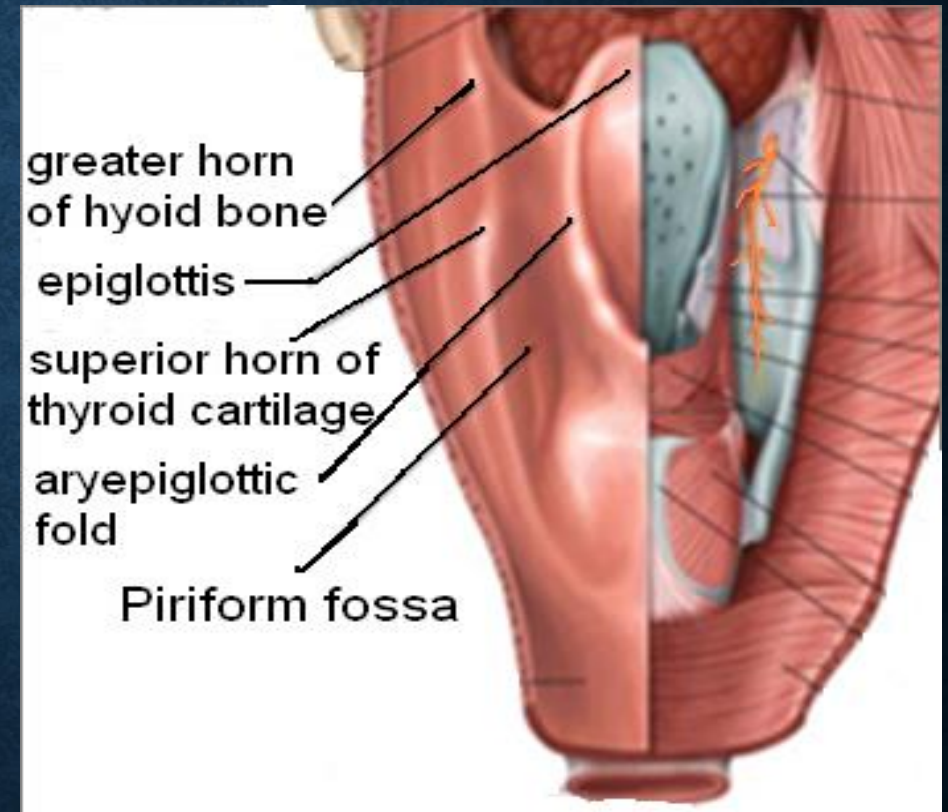
HYPOPHARYNX BOUNDRIES

- **Anterior :**
 - Opening of the larynx (upper part)
 - Mucosa covering the posterior surface of larynx(lower part)
- **Posterior :**
 - supported by bodies of C3, 4, 5, 6 vertebrae



HYPOPHARYNX BOUNDARIES

- Lateral wall:
 - Thyroid cartilage and thyrohooid membrane.
 - The piriform fossae

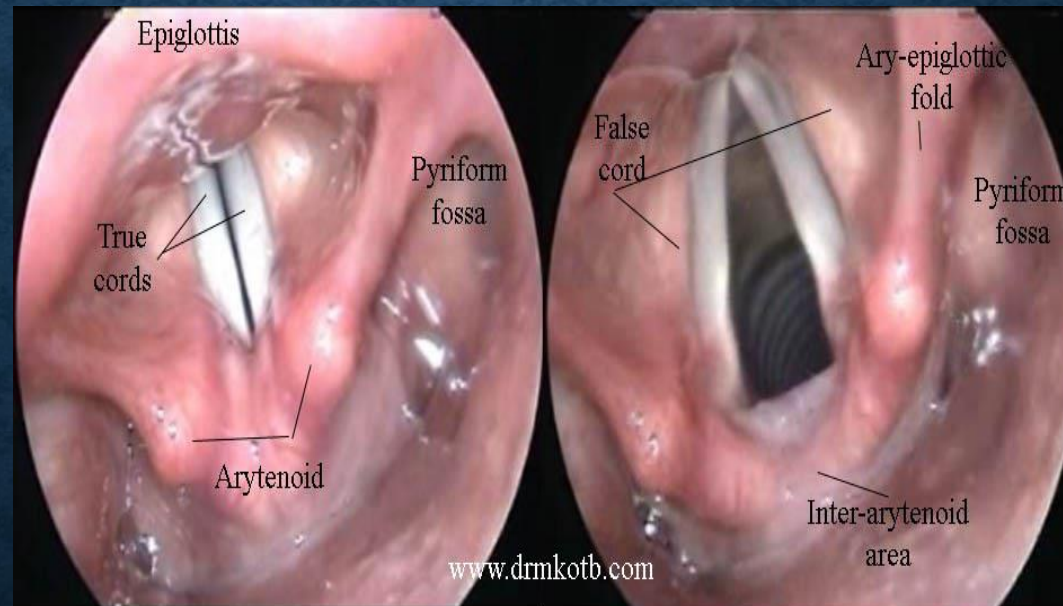


HYPOPHARYNX SUBSITES

➤ **Pyriform Sinus:**

➤ **Posterior Pharyngeal Wall**

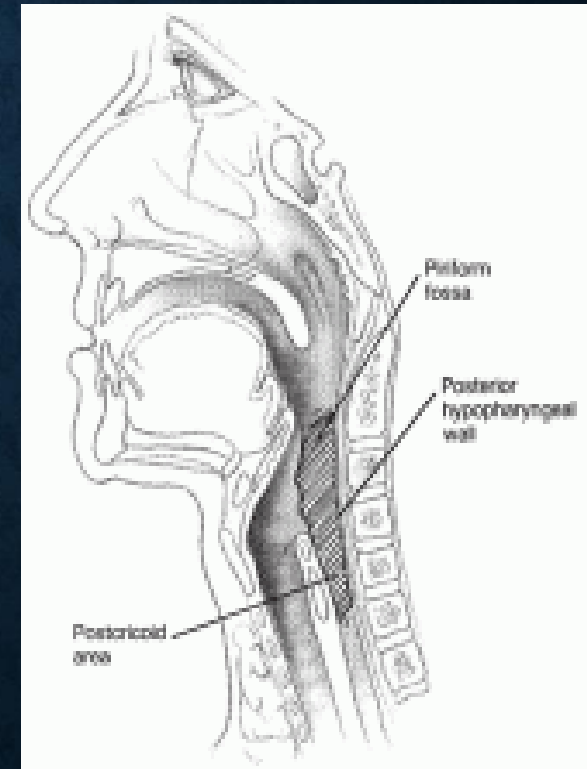
➤ **Postcricoid Region.**



Larynx in adduction

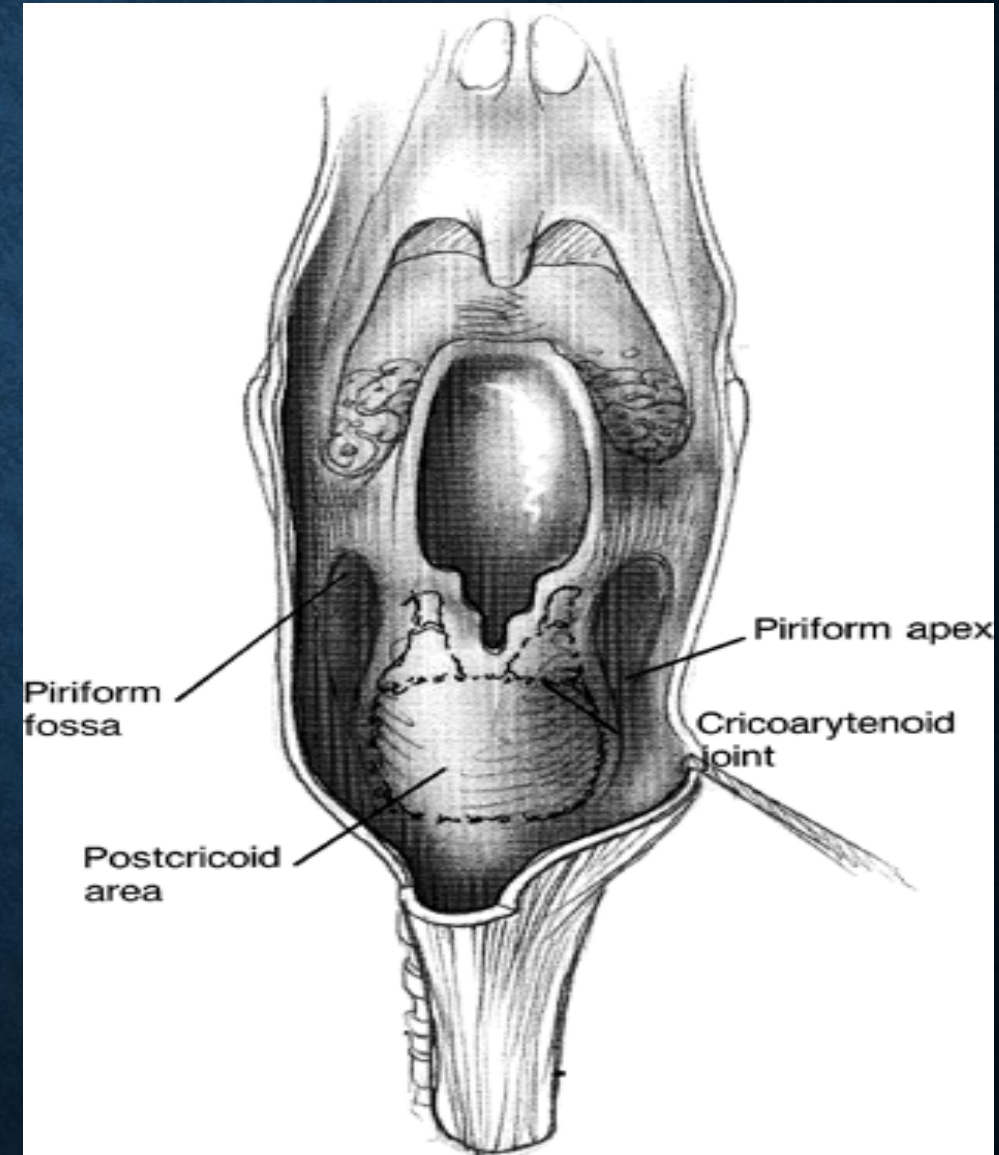
Larynx in abduction

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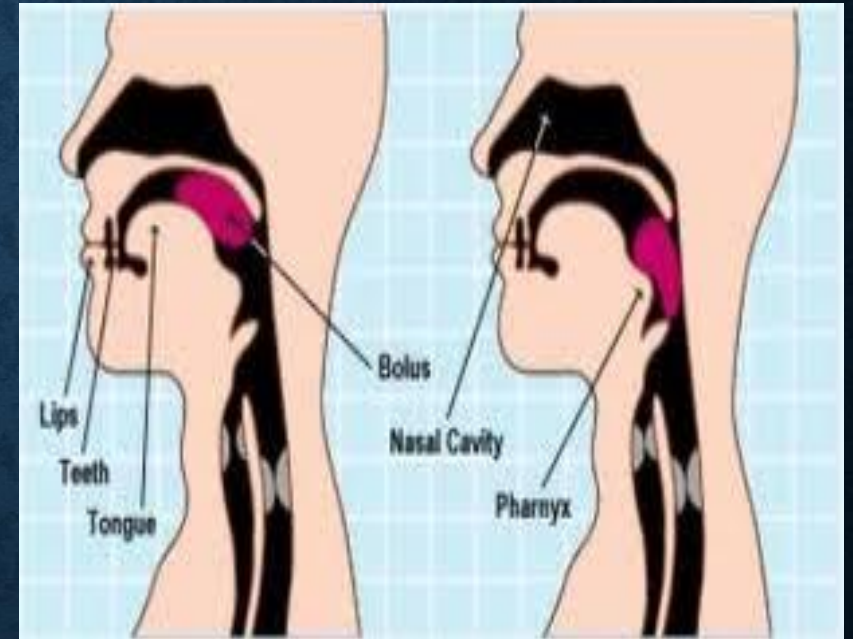
HYPOPHARYNX PIRIFORM SINUS

- Most common site for hypopharyngeal cancer.
- Most common site of FB impaction (hypopharynx).
- Hypopharyngeal Lesion
 - Vocal cord paralysis (CA joint involvement)
 - Pooling of secretion proximally .
 - Referred otalgia (CNX involvement) .



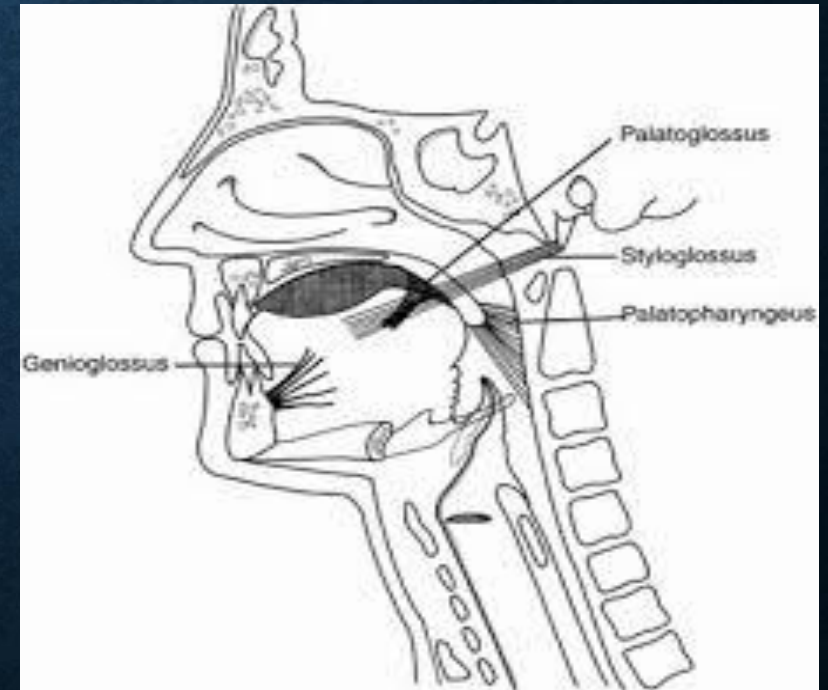
SWALLOWING PHARYNGEAL PHASES

- Reflexive phase
 - (posterior pharyngeal wall receptors, CN IX and CN X)
- Transient time <1 sec in normal subjects



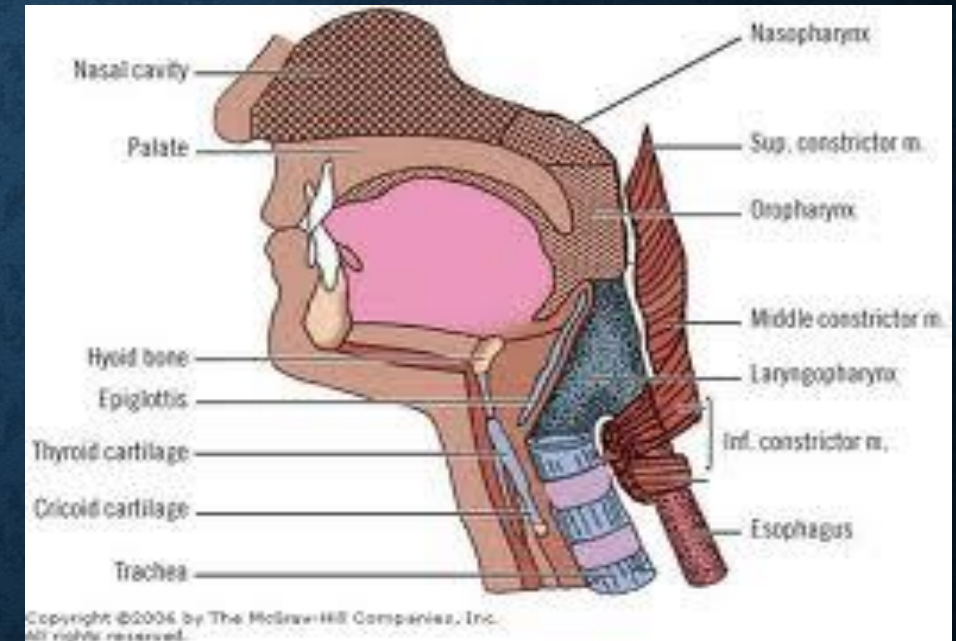
SWALLOWING NASOPHARYGEAL PHASE

- Levator veli palatini
 - **Lifts** the soft palate
- Palatopharyngeous
 - **Tightens and raises** the pharynx and narrows the oropharyngeal inlet.
- Superior pharyngeal muscle contraction



SWALLOWING OROPHARYNGEAL PHASE

- Base of Tongue Propels Bolus Past Vallecula
 - squeezes against posterior pharynx
- **Glossectomy patients have difficulty with bolus propulsion



CONCLUSION

- The pharynx has complicated anatomy to optimize physiology & function .
- Each site & subsites have its own function.
- Missing site or subsites will compromise the function leading to aspiration , dysphagia , speech impairment .
- Understanding surgical anatomy will lead to delectated surgical dissection.

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