

RESPIRATORY MUSCLES AND ABDOMINAL MUSCLES

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the muscles of respiration are those muscles that:

- contribute to inhalation and exhalation
- by aiding in the expansion and contraction of the thoracic cavity

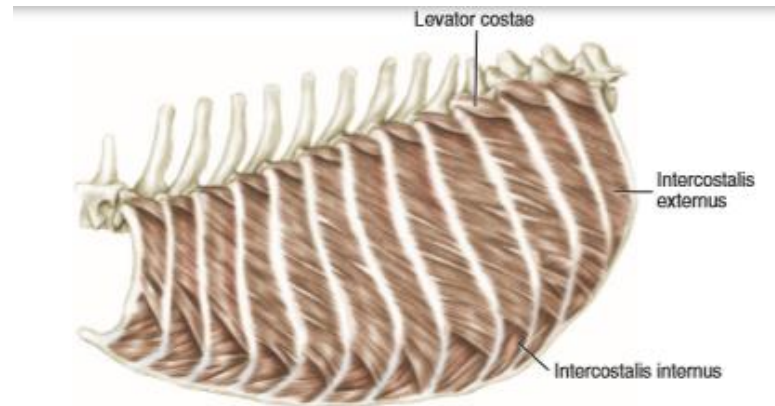
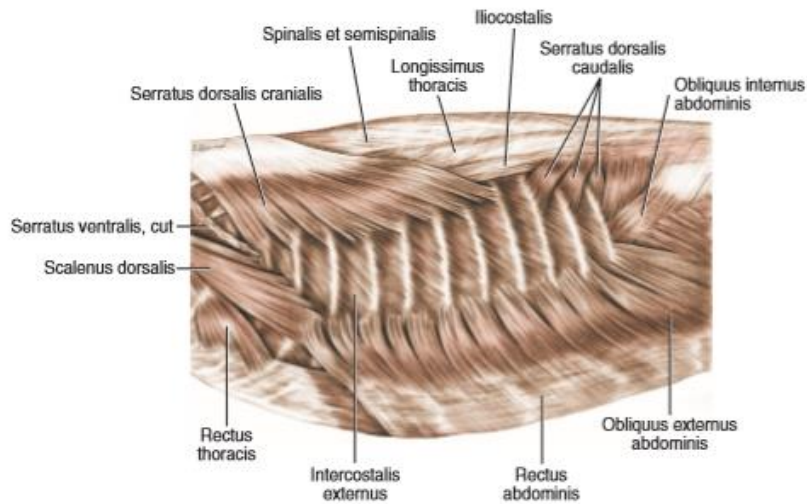


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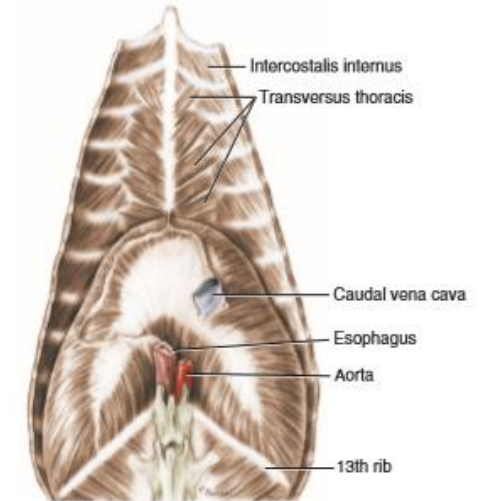
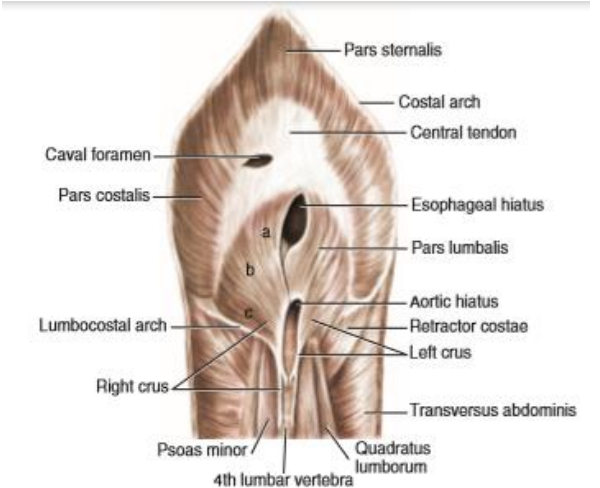


FIGURE 6-36 Diaphragm, thoracic surface.



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1. **M. scalenus dorsalis**
2. **M. scalenus medius**
3. **M. serratus dorsalis cranialis**
4. **M. serratus dorsalis caudalis**
5. **M. intercostalis externus**
6. **M. intercostalis internus**
7. **M. rectus thoracis**
8. **M. transversus thoracis**
9. **Mm. levatores costarum**
10. **M. retractor costae ultimataea**
11. **M. subcostalis**
12. **Diaphragm**

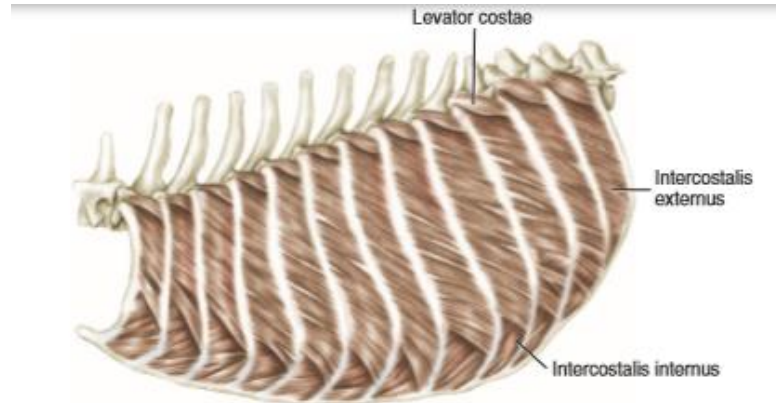


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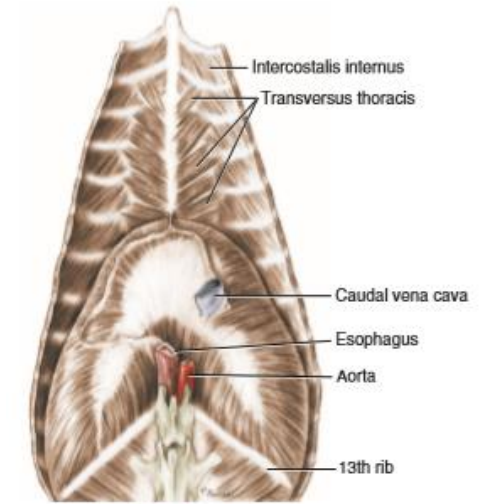
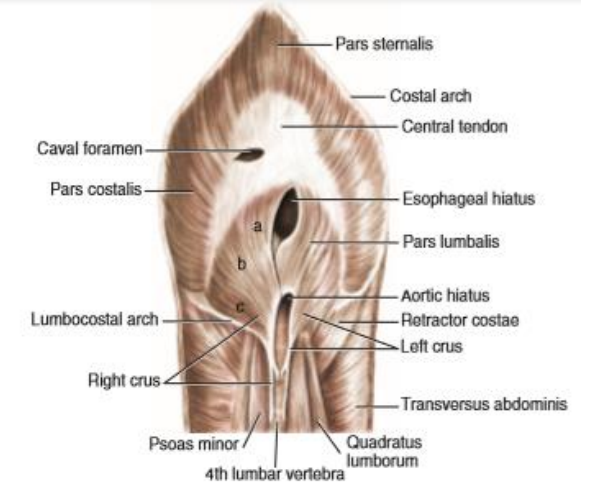
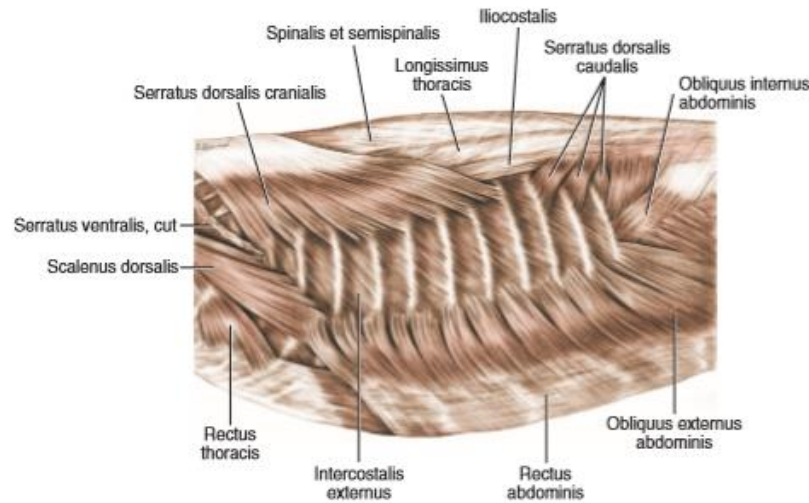


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1. M. scalenus dorsalis:

Origin: transverse processes of 4 – 6 vertebrae cervicales

Insertion: a. dorsal muscular part – on the 1- 4 ribs

b. ventral muscular part – 1 – 9 ribs (longer)

Function: 1. helps in inspiration

2. unilateral contraction: flexes neck laterally

3. bilateral contraction: flexes neck ventrally

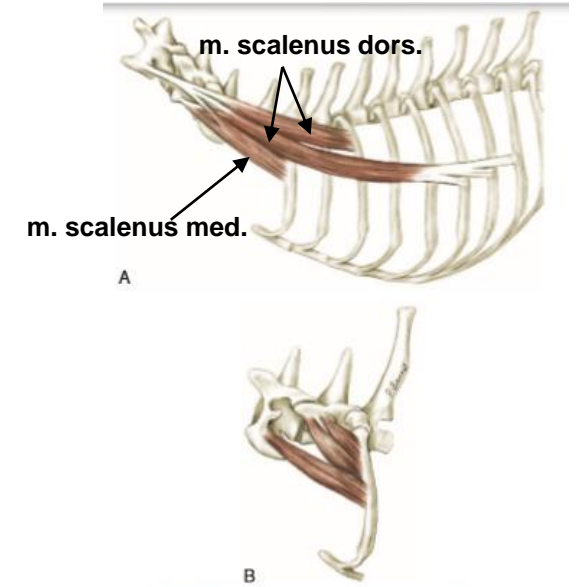
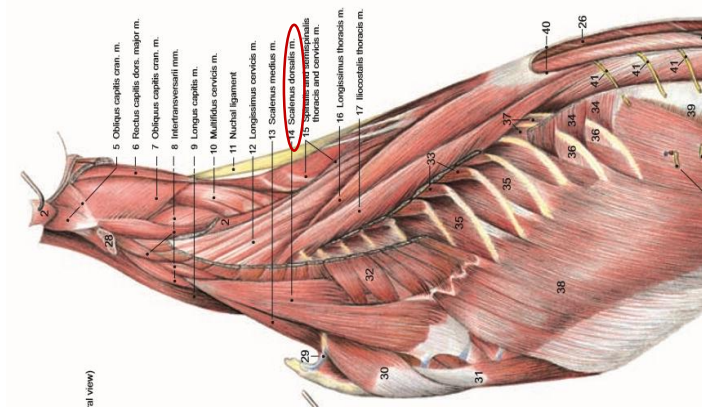
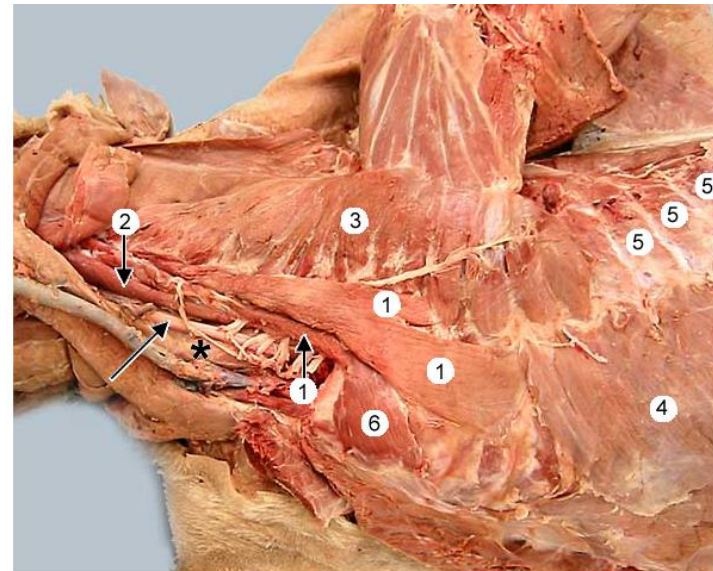
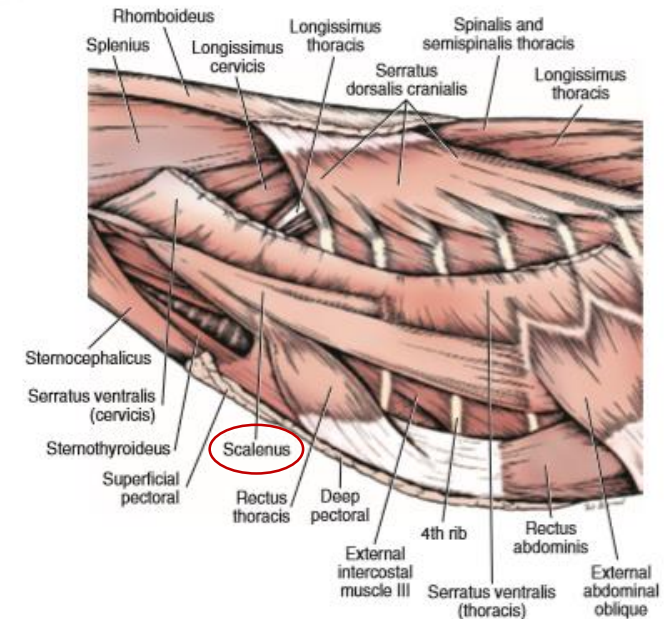


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2. *M. scalenus medialis* (*M. scalenus primae costae*):

Origin: transverse processes of 6 – 7 vertebrae cervicales

Insertion: cranial border of first rib

Function: 1. helps in inspiration

2. unilateral contraction: flexes neck laterally

3. bilateral contraction: flexes neck ventrally

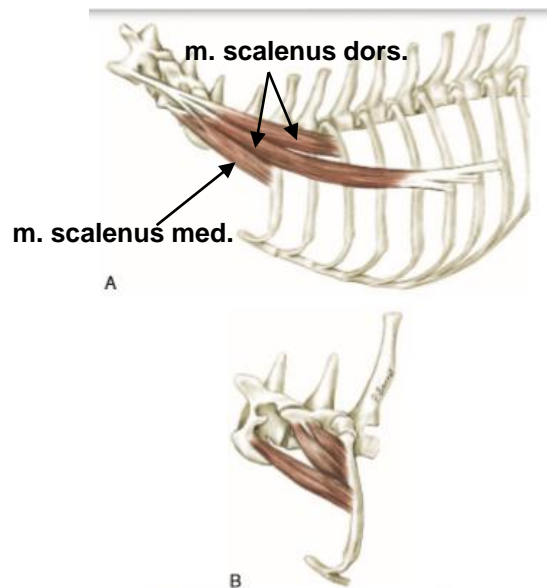
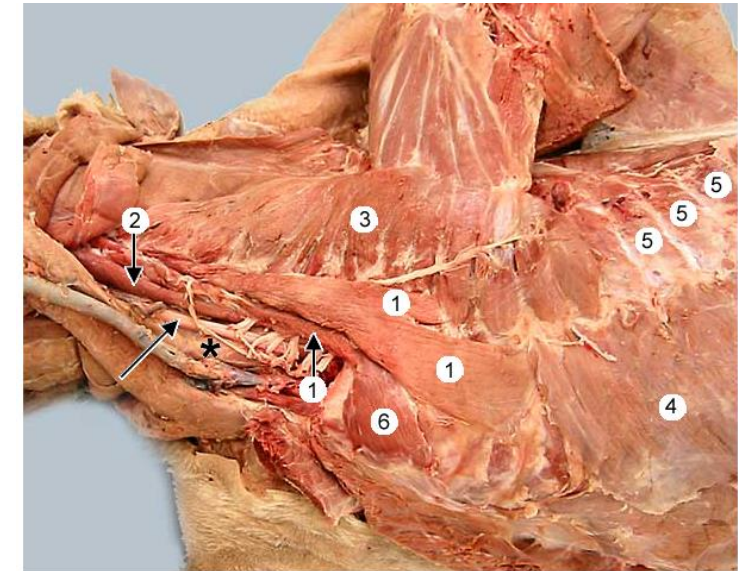
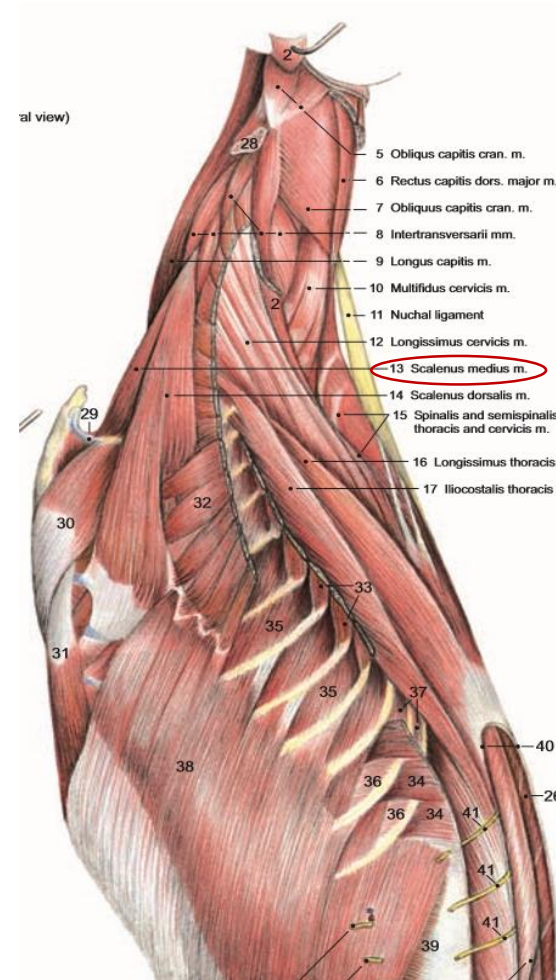


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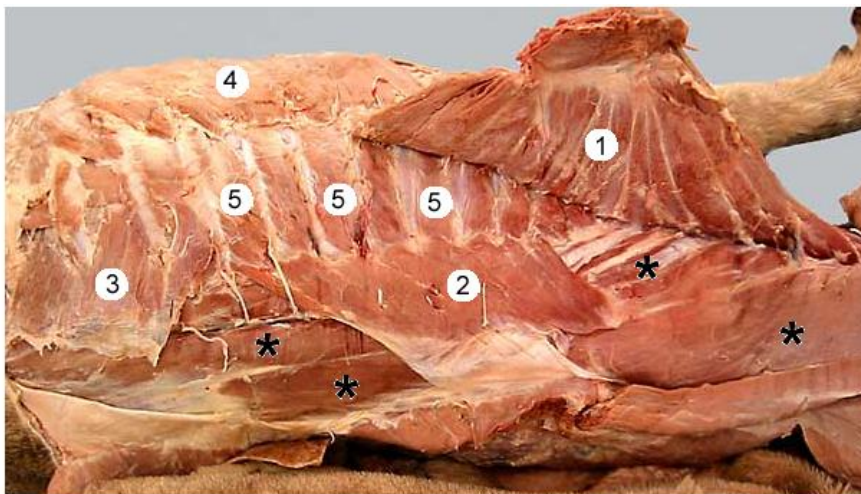
3. *M. serratus dorsalis cranialis*:

Origin: a. thoracolumbar fascia (fascia thoracolumbalis) by a broad aponeurosis

b. Th1-7 proc. spinosus vertebrae

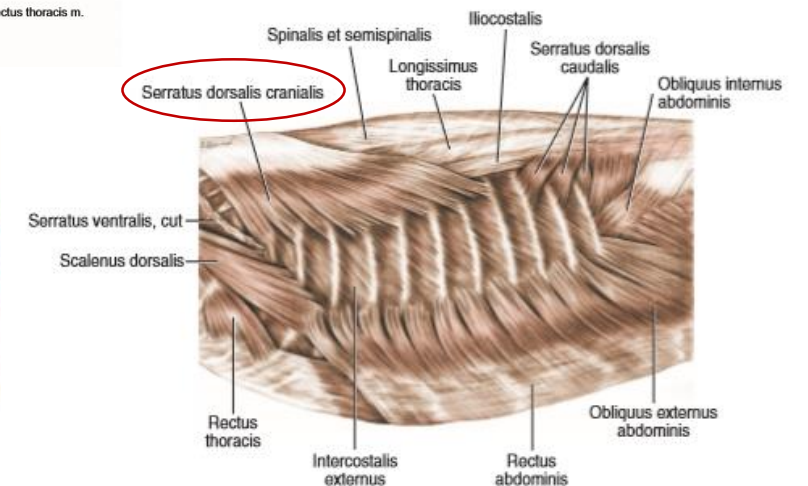
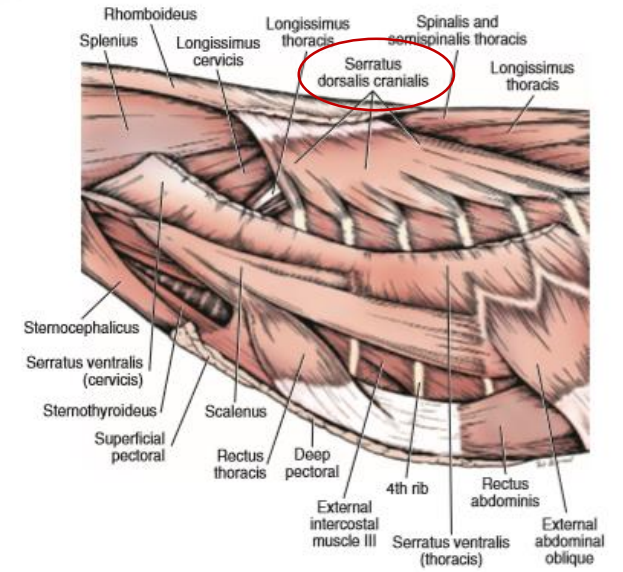
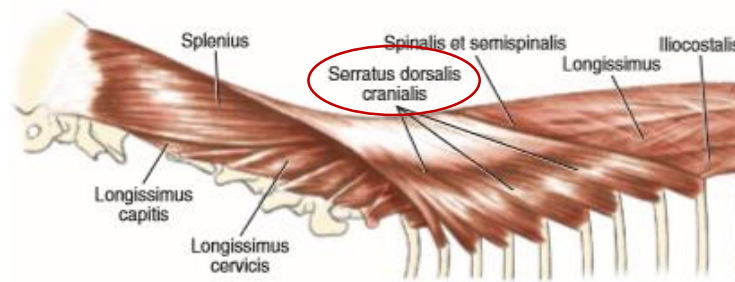
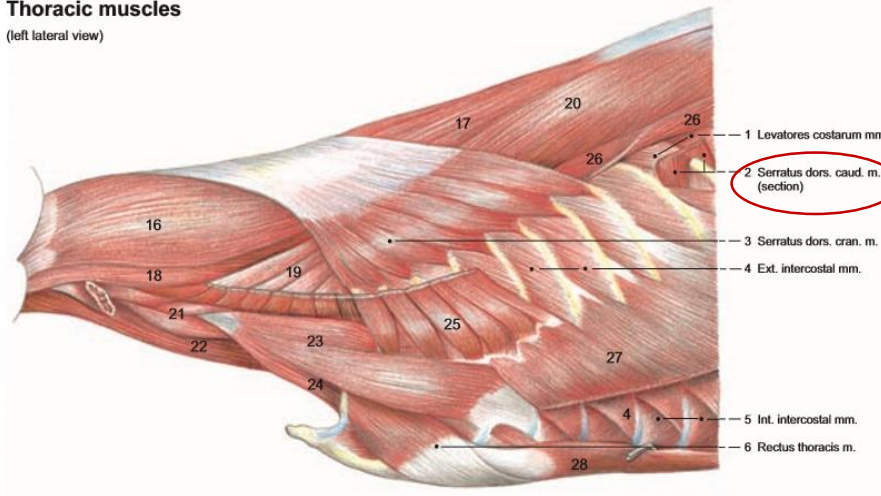
Insertion: proximally on ribs 2-10

Function: inspiratory muscle



In this dorsal view, the thoracic limb and *serratus ventralis m.* (1) are pulled away. Notice the *serratus dorsalis cranialis m.* (2) and the *serratus dorsalis caudalis m.* (3). Identify the *external abdominal oblique m.* (4) and *external intercostal muscles* (5). The muscles marked by asterisks are epaxial muscles.

Thoracic muscles
(left lateral view)



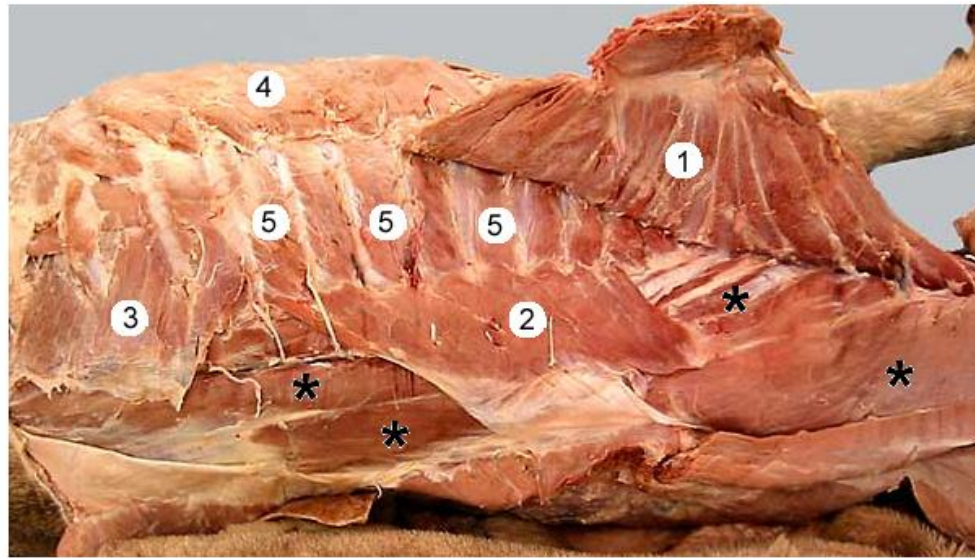
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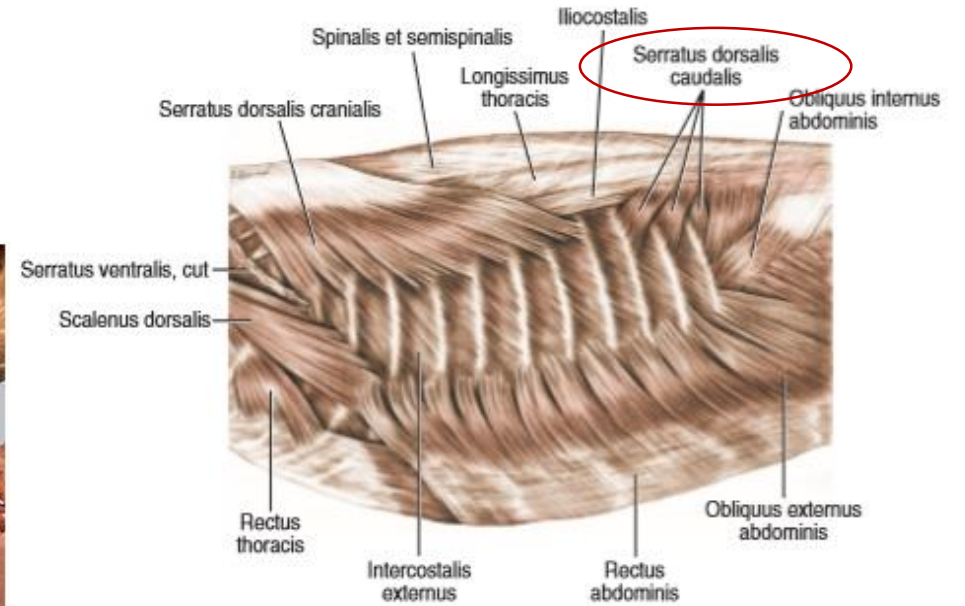
Origin: caudally on superficial layer of fascia thoracolumbalis

Insertion: proximal part of ribs 11-13

Function: expiration



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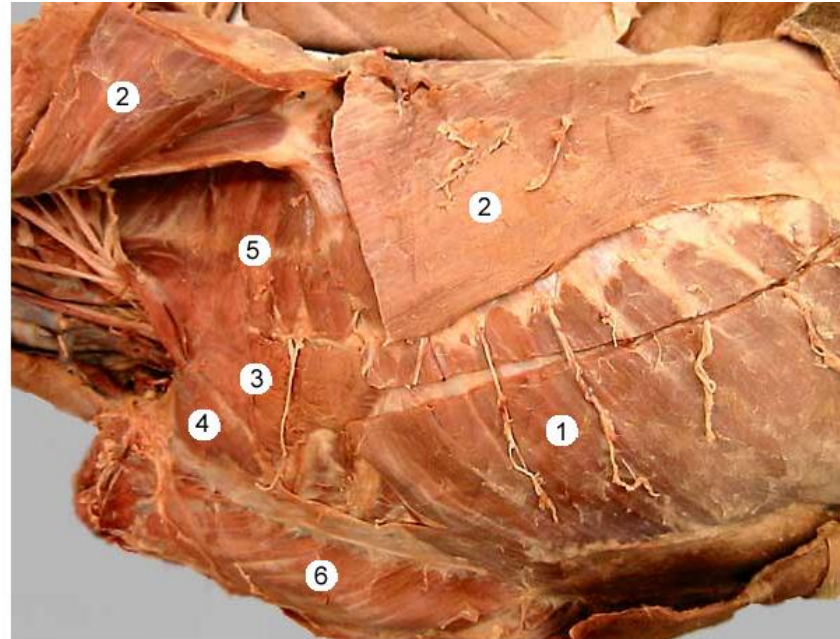
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5. M. rectus thoracis:

Origin: first rib

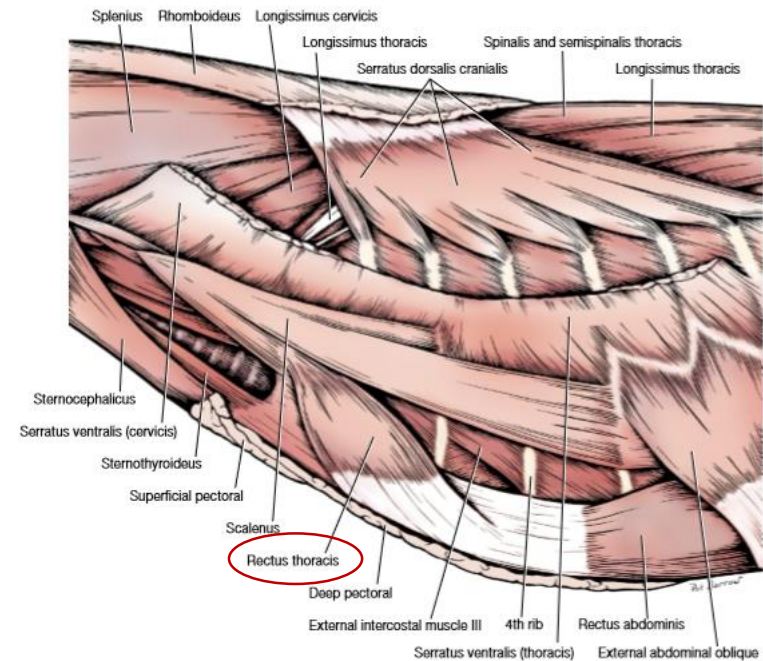
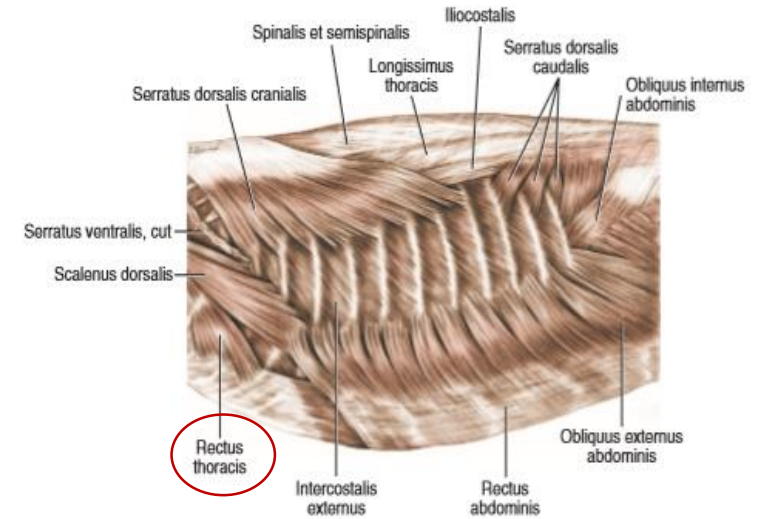
Insertion: ventral ends of ribs 2-4

Function: inspiration



In this lateral view the **external abdominal oblique m.** (1) has been incised about a cm ventral to its attachment to ribs.

Other muscles include: latissimus dorsi (2), scalenus (3), rectus thoracis (4), serratus ventralis (5), and deep pectoral (6).



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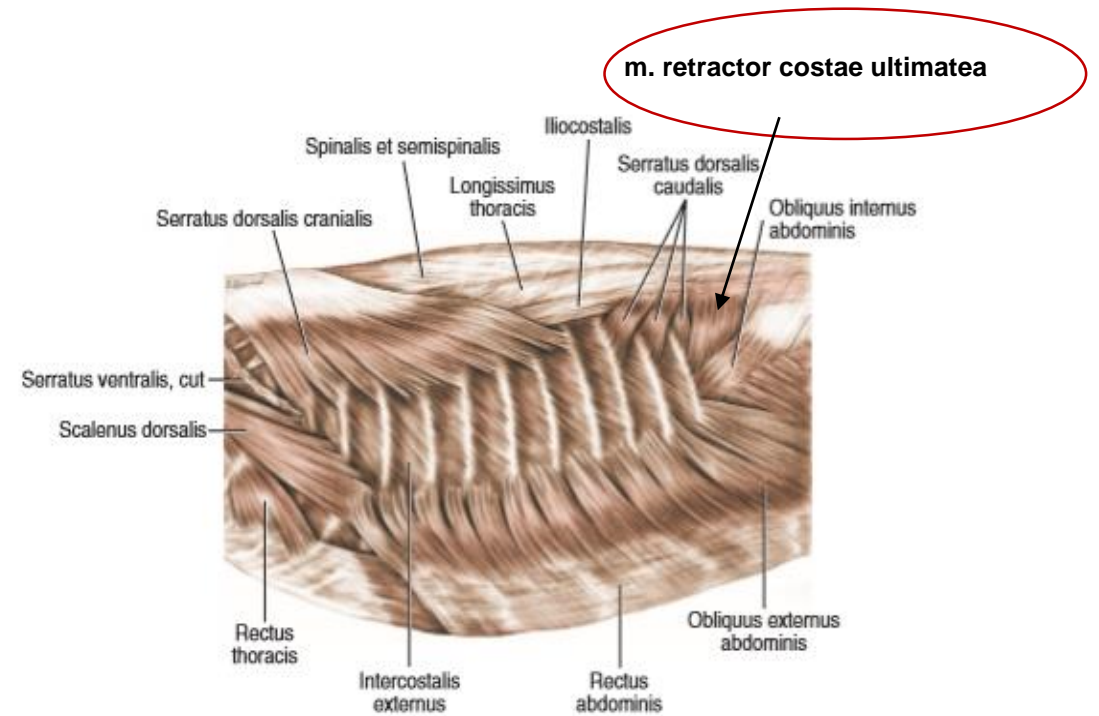
6. *M. retractor costae ultimatea*:

Origin: a. transverse processes of L1-4 vertebrae

b. caudal part of the thoracolumbal fascia over lumbal site

Insertion: caudal border of last ribs

Function: expiration



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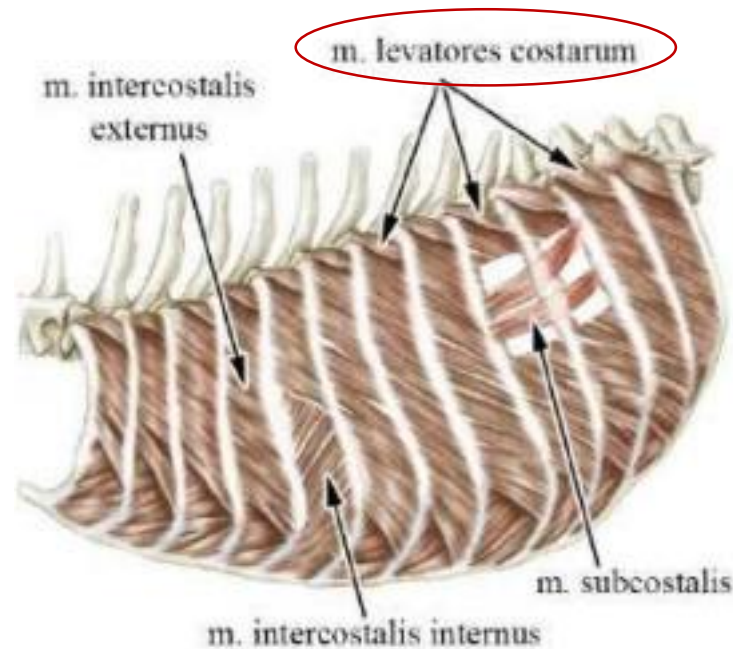
7. Mm. levatores costarum:

Origin: transverse processes of Th1-12 vertebrae

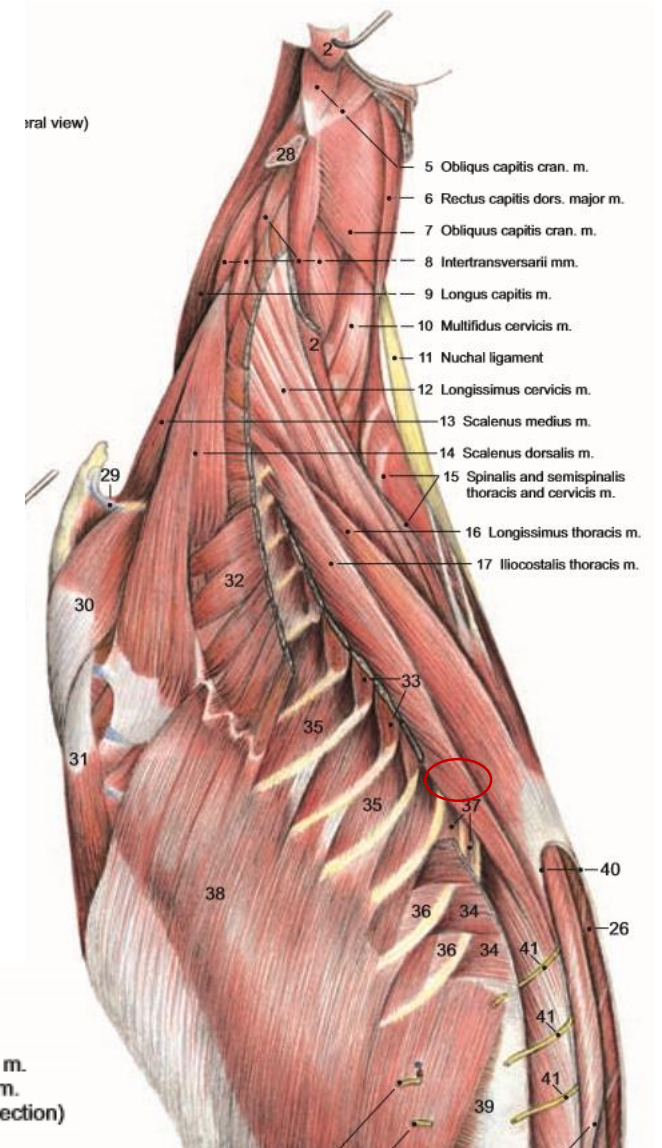
Insertion: cranial border of ribs near to angulus costae

- covered by m. erector spinae

Function: inspiration



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|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 28 Omotransversarius m. | 35 Ext. intercostal mm. |
| 29 First rib | 36 Int. intercostal mm. |
| 30 Rectus thoracis m. | 37 Levatores costarum m. |
| 31 Rectus abdominis m. | 38 Ext. abdominal oblique m. |
| 32 Serratus ventr. m. | 39 Int. abdominal oblique m. |
| 33 Serratus dors.cran. m. | 40 Lumbodorsal tendon (section) |
| 34 Serratus dors. caud. m. | 41 Cranial clunial nn. |



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8. M. transversus thoracis:

Origin: inner surface of sternum, close to the midline

Insertion: 2 – 8 costal cartilages, ventral to the costochondral junctions

Function: expiration

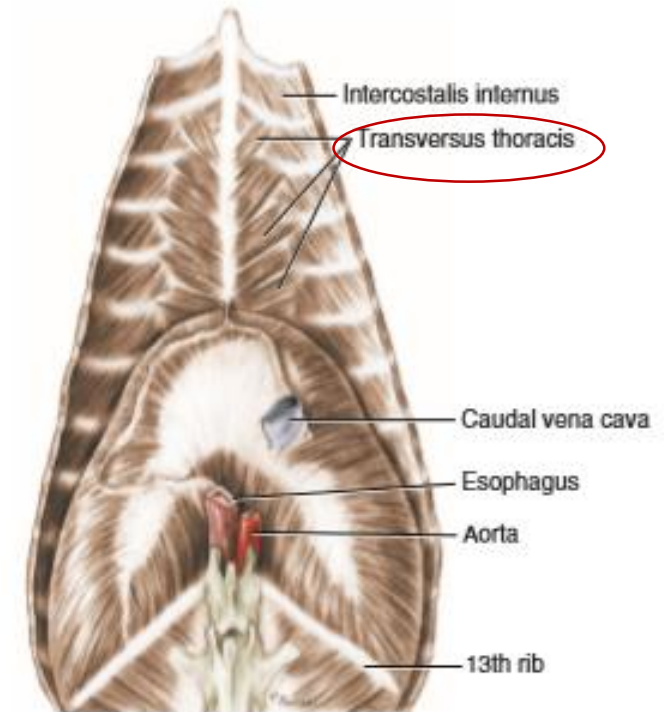


FIGURE 6-36 Diaphragm, thoracic surface.

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9. M. intercostalis externus:

Origin and insertion:

- muscle fibers run caudoventrally from caudal border of the upper rib to the cranial border of the rib below

Function: inspiration

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/External_intercostal_muscles

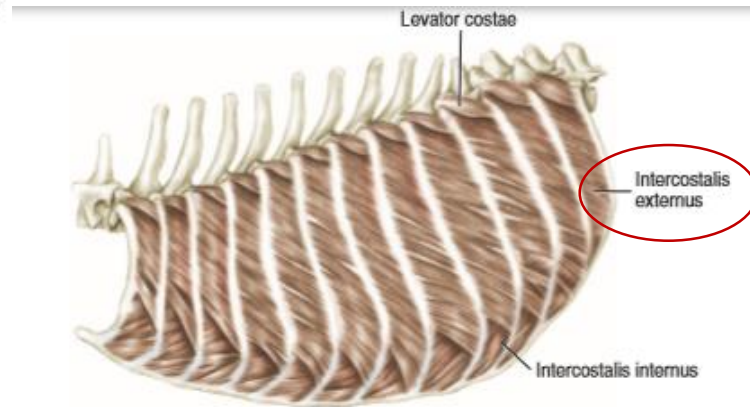
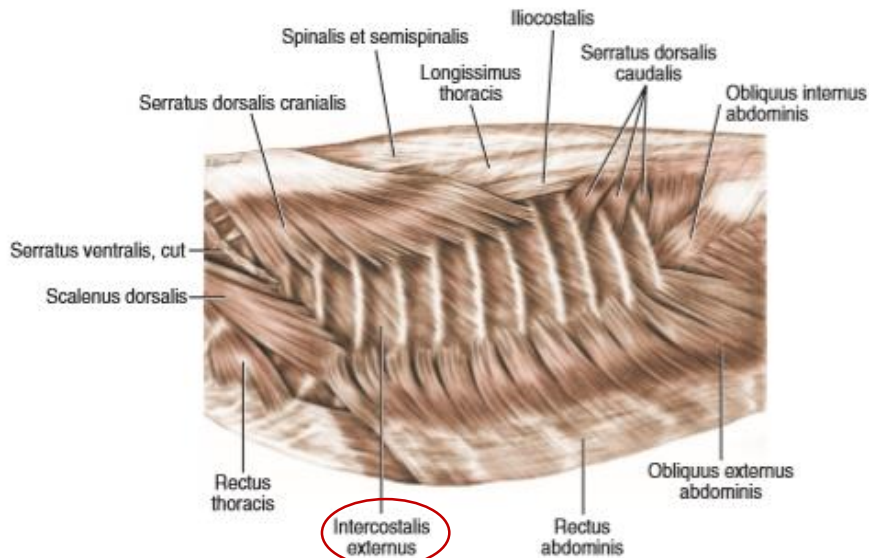
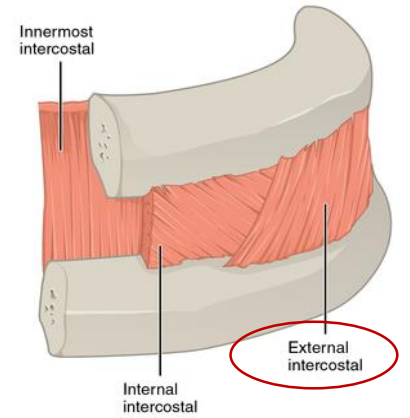
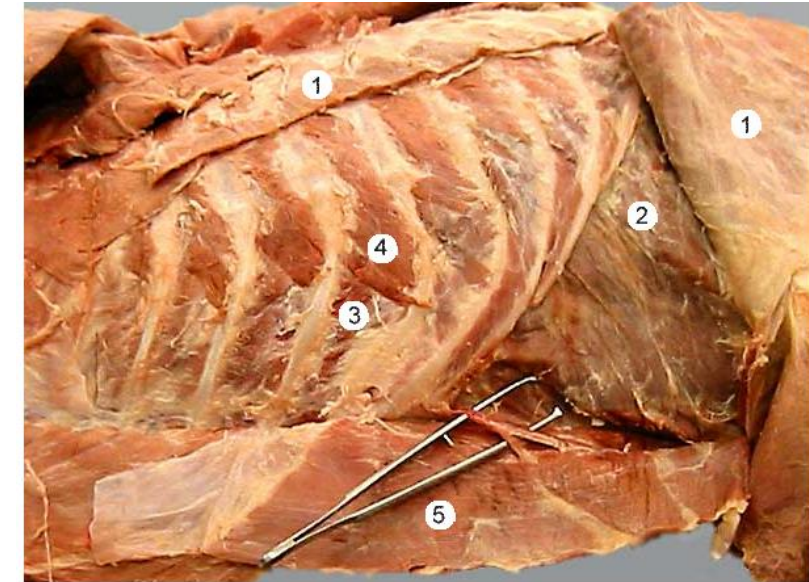


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<http://vanat.cvm.umn.edu/carnLabs/Lab08/Img8-5.html>

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10. M intercostalis internus:

Origin and insertion:

- from cranial border of the rib to the caudal border of the rib above

Function: expiration

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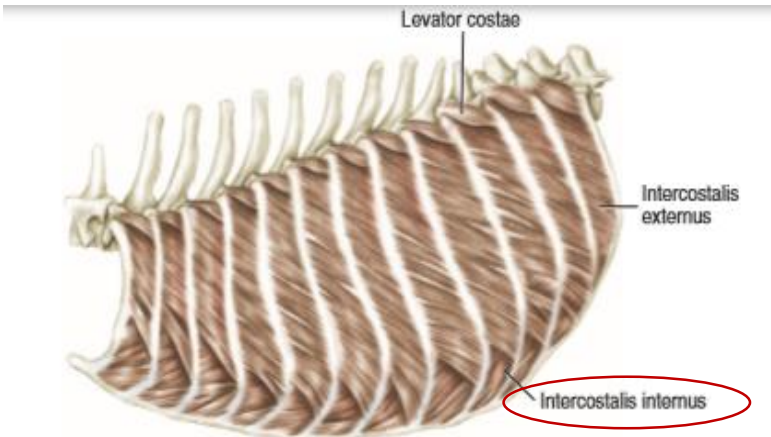
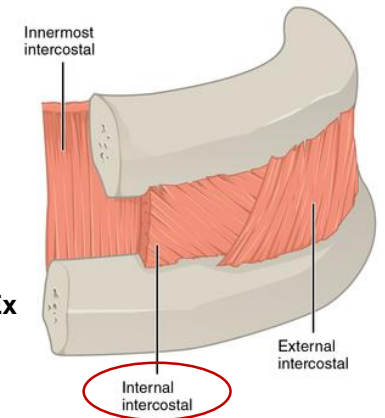


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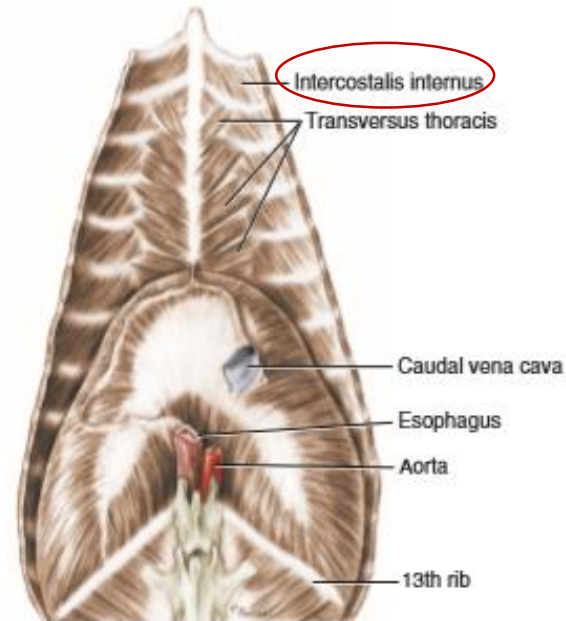
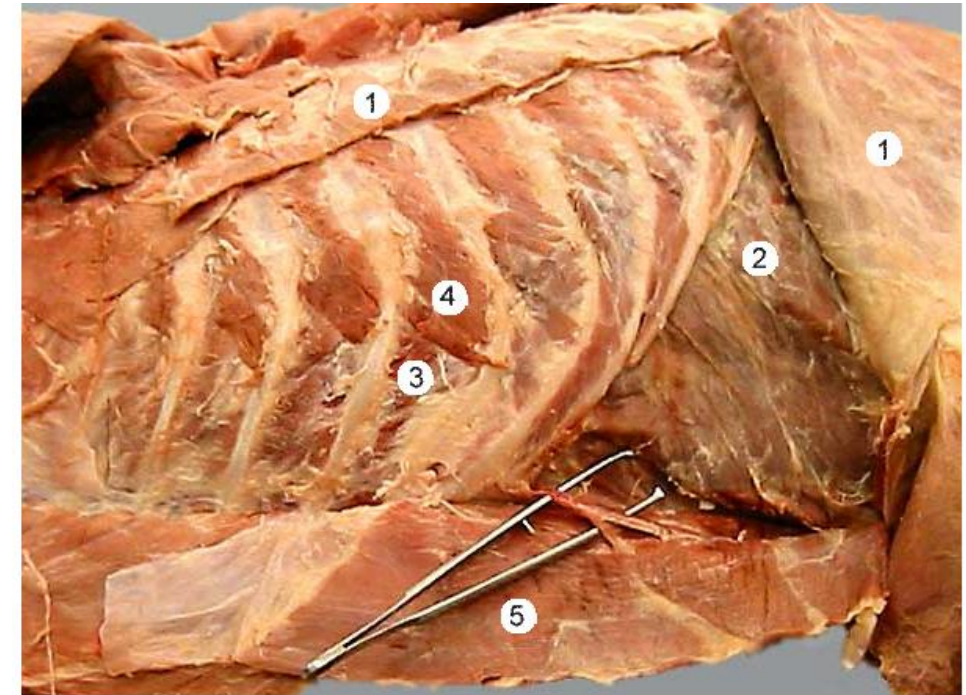


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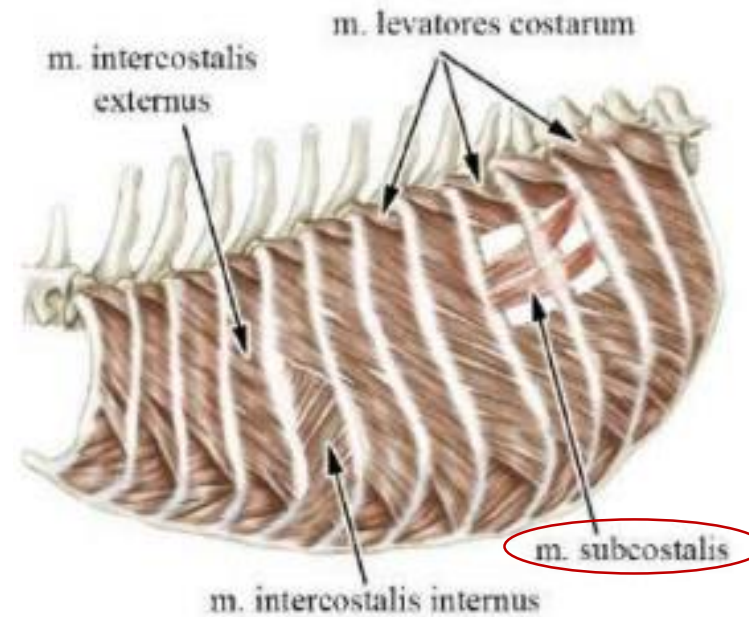
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11. M. subcostalis:

Origin and insertion:

- crossing medial surface of ribs 9-11 in a cranioventral direction inside the thoracic cavity

Function: expiration



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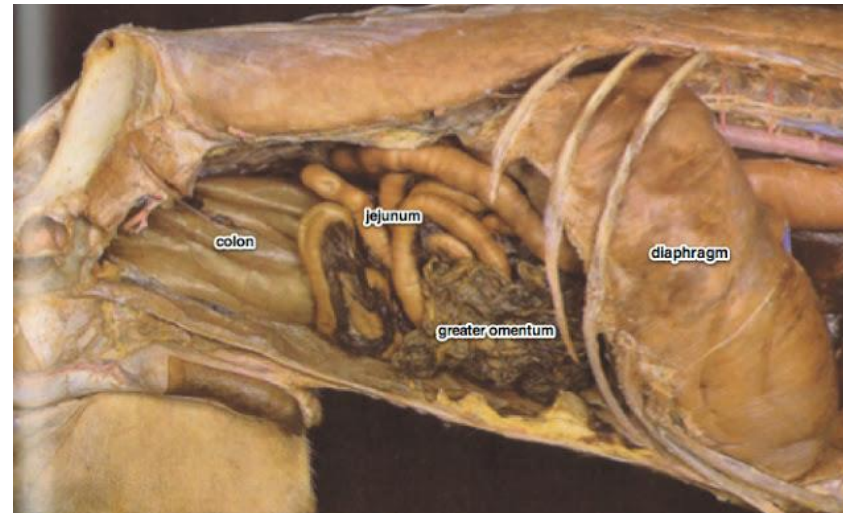
Diaphragm:

- is a sheet of internal skeletal muscle
- extends across the bottom of the thoracic cavity
- separates the thoracic cavity from the abdominal cavity
- performs an important function in respiration: as the diaphragm contracts, the volume of the thoracic cavity increases and air is drawn into the lungs

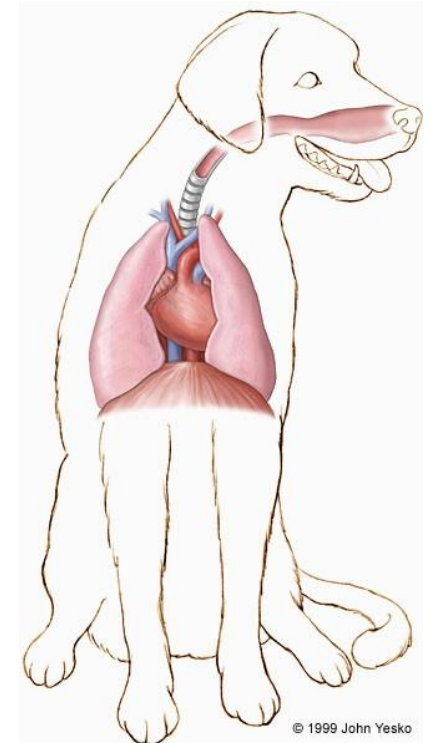


Dog Thorax, contents of Thoracic Cavity removed. ©University of Nottingham 2008
D: diaphragm

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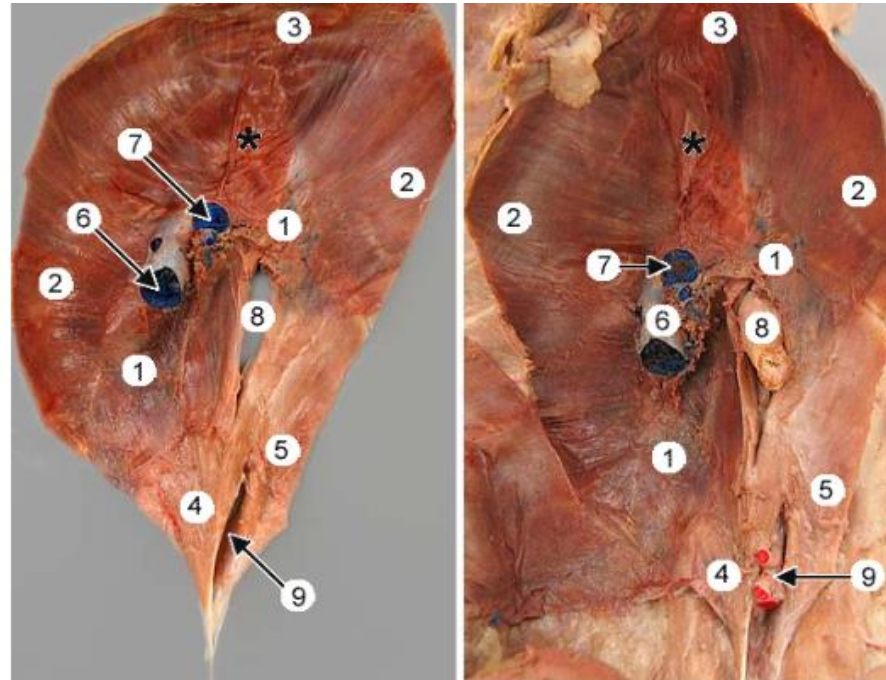
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Diaphragm:

Five layers:

From cranial to caudal :

1. Pleura + fascia endothoracica
2. Fascia transversa thoracis
3. Phrenic muscle
4. Fascia transversa abdominis
5. Peritoneum



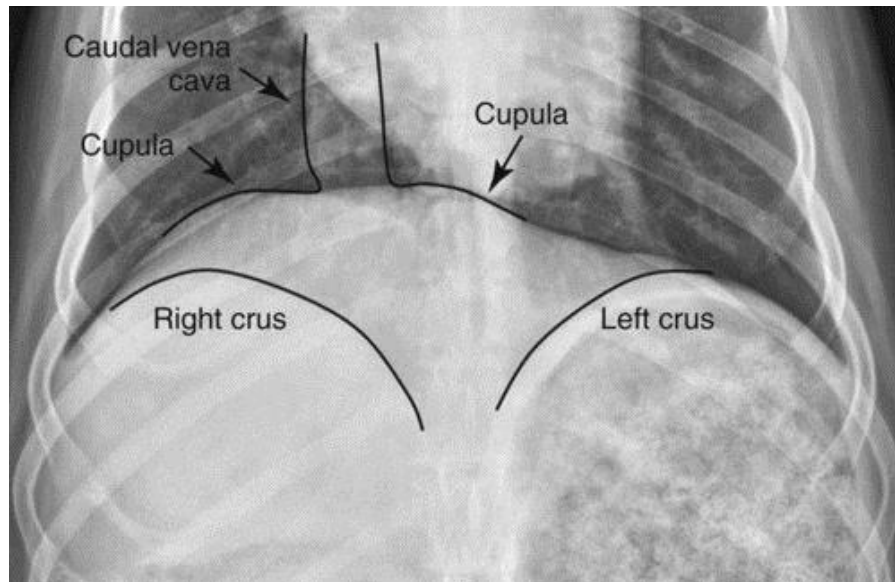
The **diaphragm** (viewed from the abdomen with ventral at the top) is shown removed from the cadaver (left) and *in situ* (right). The diaphragm has a horse-shoe shaped **tendinous center** (1) that separates an outer rim of skeletal muscle from muscular crura. The outer diaphragmatic muscle can be divided into costal (2) and sternal (3) regions. Dorsal to the tendinous center, notice that the **right crus** (4) and the **left crus** (5) have tendons (which attach to the bodies of lumbar vertebrae).

The tendinous center region contains a **caval foramen** through which the caudal vena cava (6) passes (also a hepatic vein (7) joining the caudal vena cava and the falciform ligament (asterisk) are evident). Between the crura, the esophagus passes through the **esophageal hiatus** (8) and the aorta passes through the **aortic hiatus**(9).

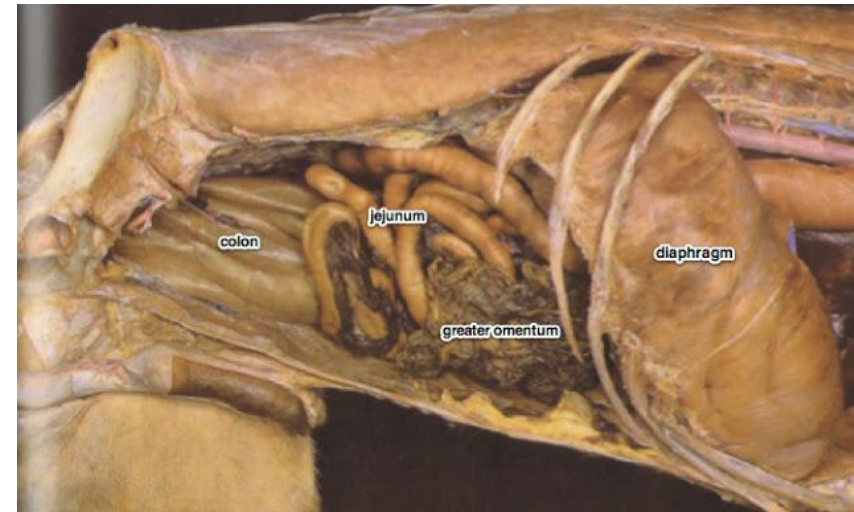
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CUPULA DIAPHRAGMATICA:

- dome – shaped part
- curves upwards projecting into the thoracic cavity
- the superior surface of the dome forms the floor of the thoracic cavity
- the inferior surface the roof of the abdominal cavity



<http://nivoteam.info/crura-diaphragm.html>



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Diaphragm:

M. phrenicus:

- CORONA MUSCULARIS: its musculary origin

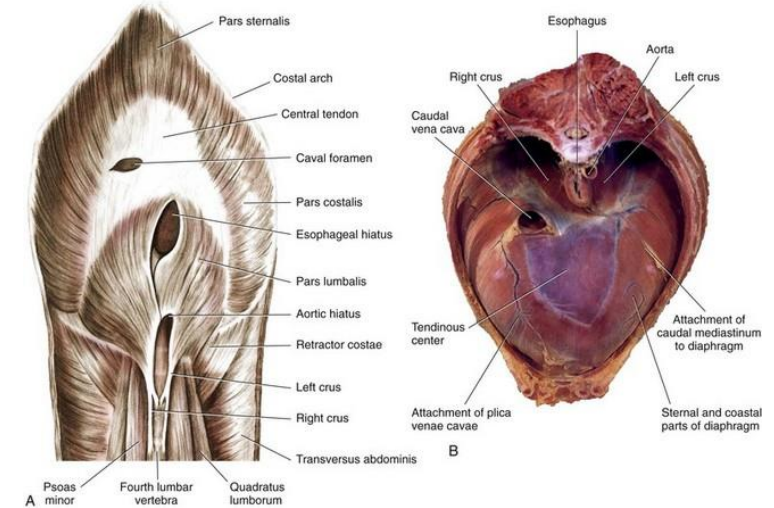
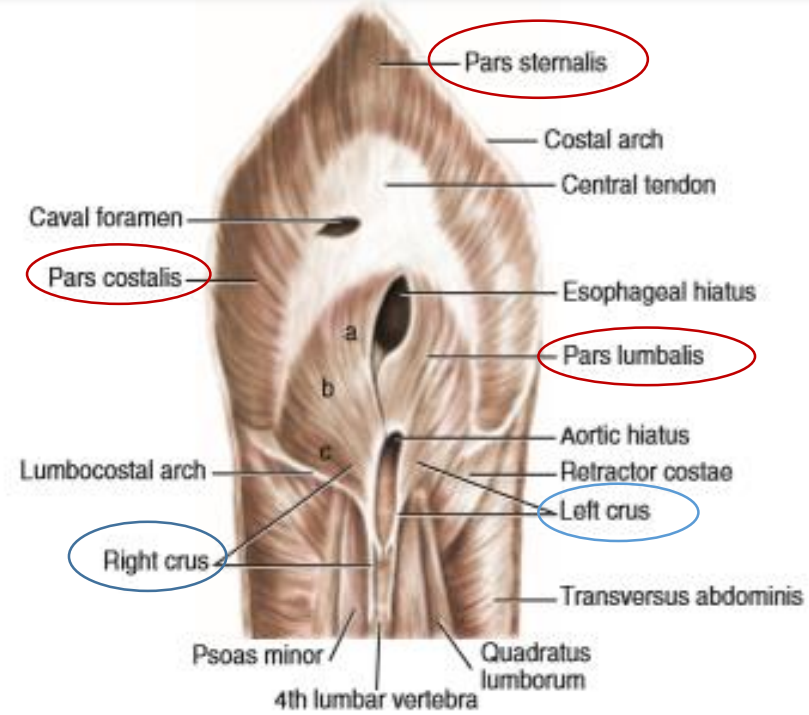
PARTS OF CORONA MUSCULARIS:

a. pars sternalis (sternal part) – from xyphoid process

b. pars costalis (costal part) – from inner surface of ribs 6-12

c. pars lumbalis (lumbal part) – vertebrae Th12, L1-2

- crus dexter et sinister



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Diaphragm:

M. phrenicus:

c. pars lumbalis (lumbal part)

a) crus dexter

b) crus sinister

Origin: 3 - 4 lumbal vertebrae

- formation of opening of aorta (hiatus aorticus)

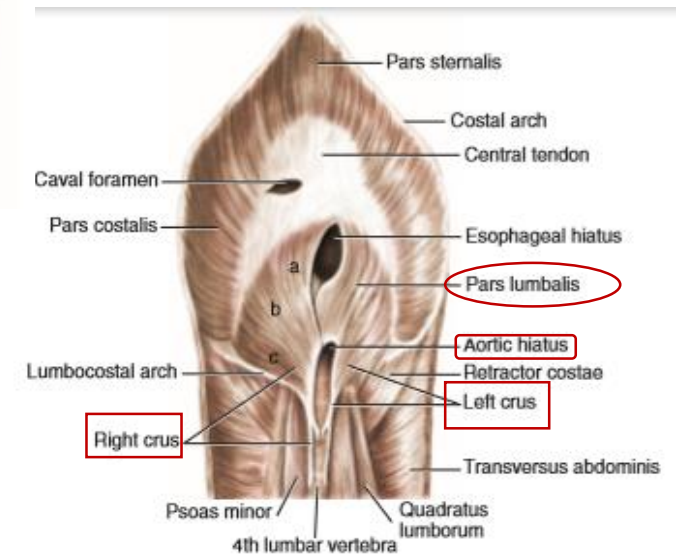
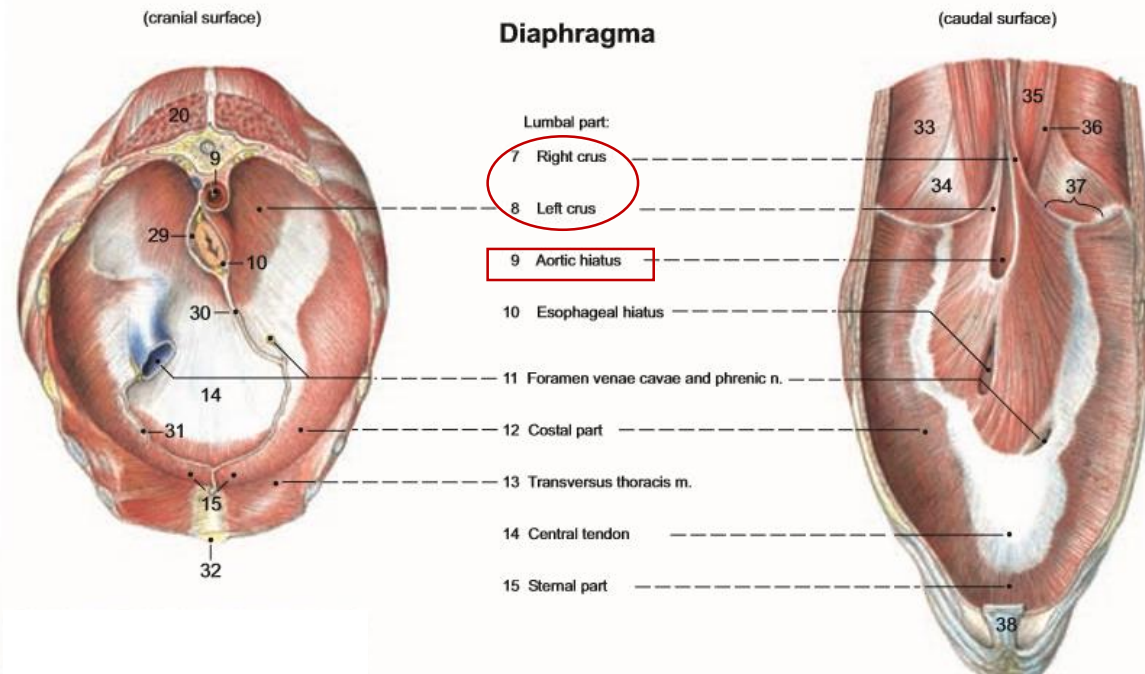


FIGURE 6-35 Diaphragm, abdominal surface. a = medial, b = intermediate, and c = lateral portions of pars lumbalis. Label: Lumbocostal arch.

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Diaphragm:

M. phrenicus:

c. pars lumbalis (lumbal part)

Crus dexter:

- extends more ventrally
- surrounds oesophagus – hiatus oesophageus

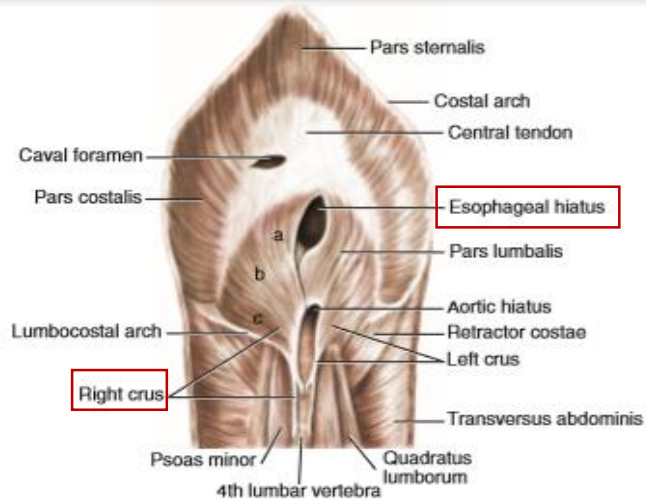
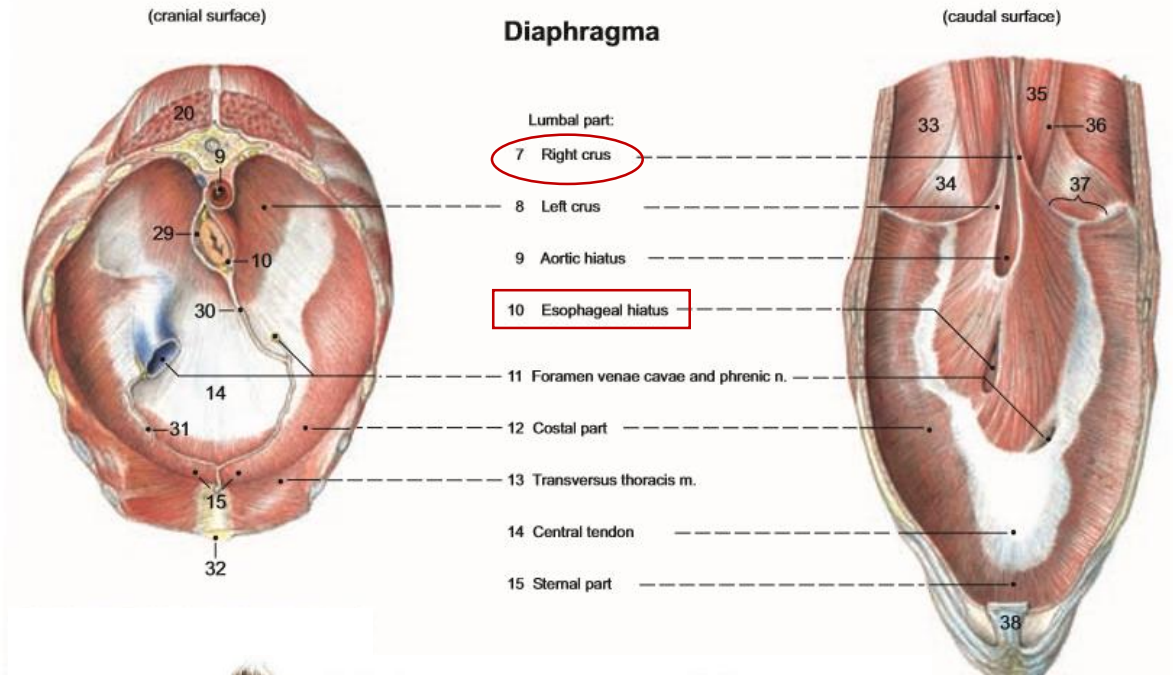
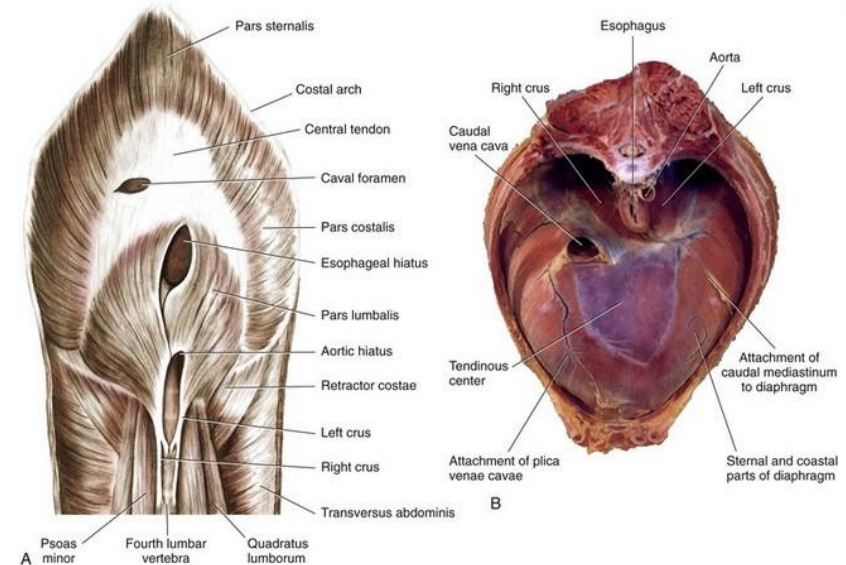


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Diaphragm:

ARCUS LUMBOCOSTALIS:

- lumbal and costal parts are connected by this arch
- tendinous fascia that arches over the psoas major muscle as it passes through the diaphragm

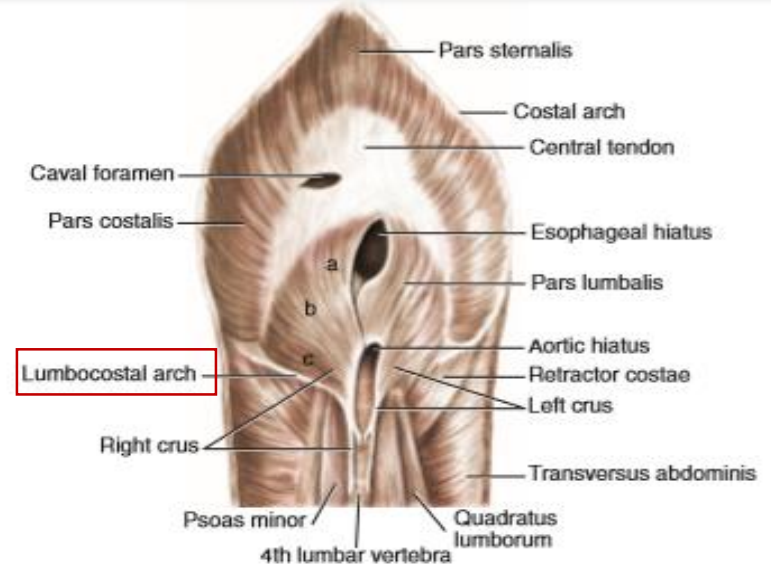
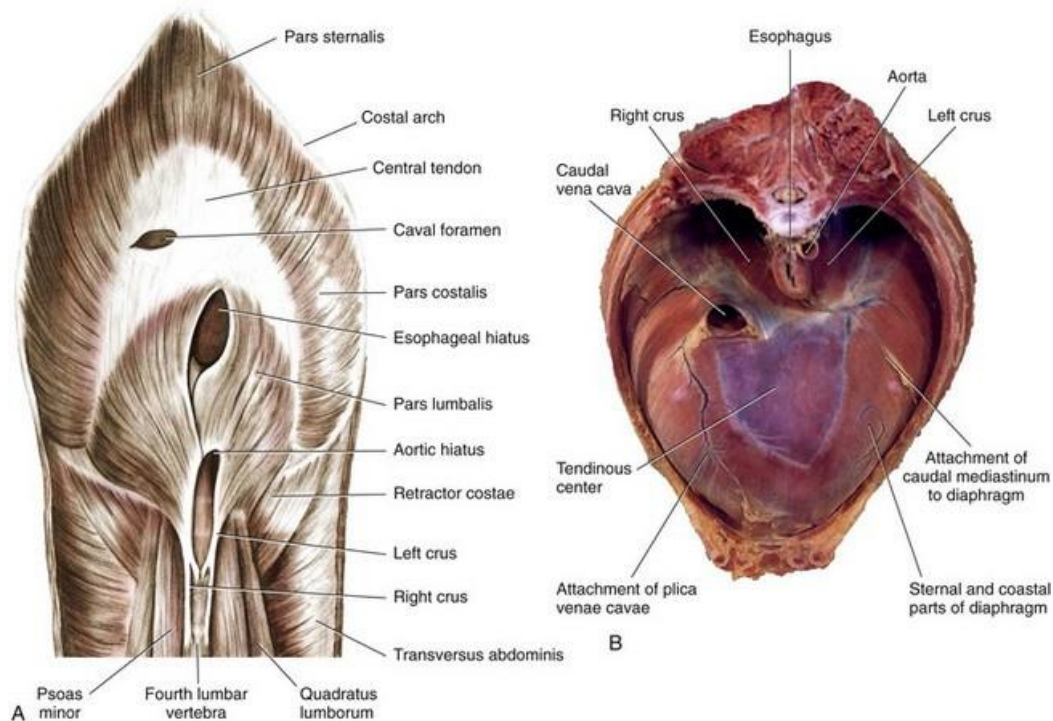


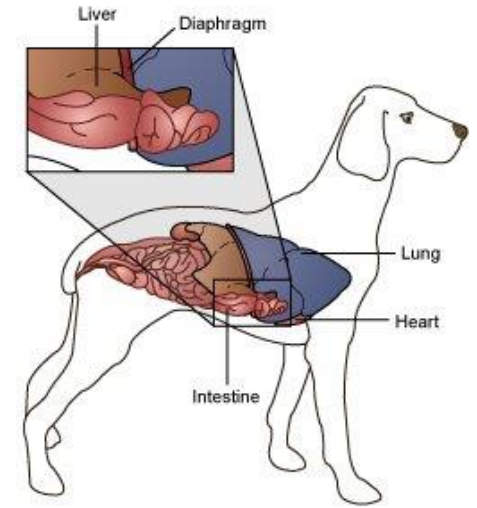
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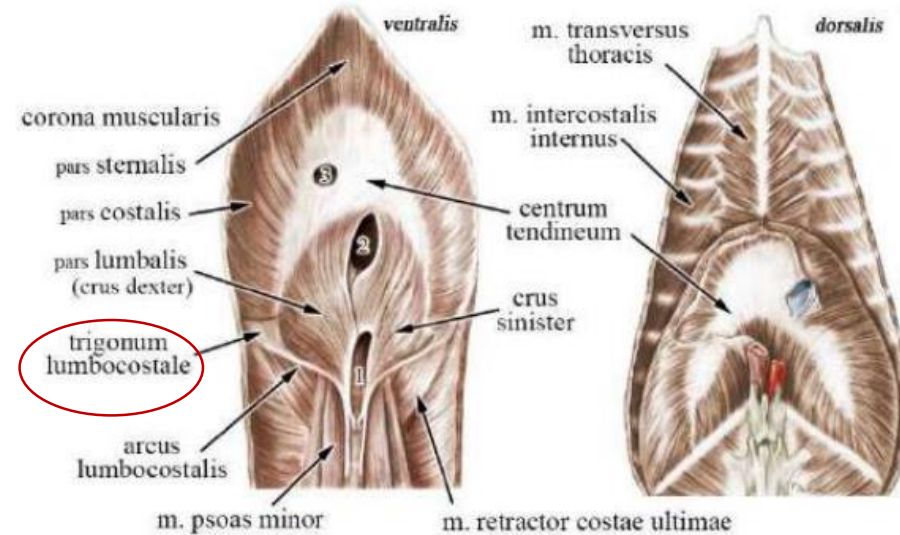
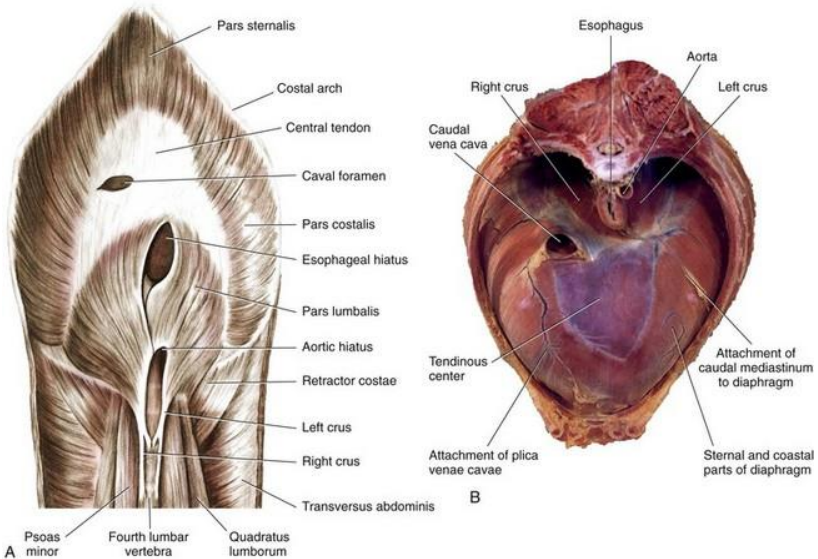
TRIGONUM LUMBOCOSTALE:

- is a space between the costal and lumbar parts of the diaphragm
- formed by muscle attachments
- **phrenic muscle is absent** - VULNERABLE SPACE FOR HERNIATION
- herniation: Malformation of the diaphragm allows the abdominal organs to push into the chest cavity
- possible infection can be transmitted through this



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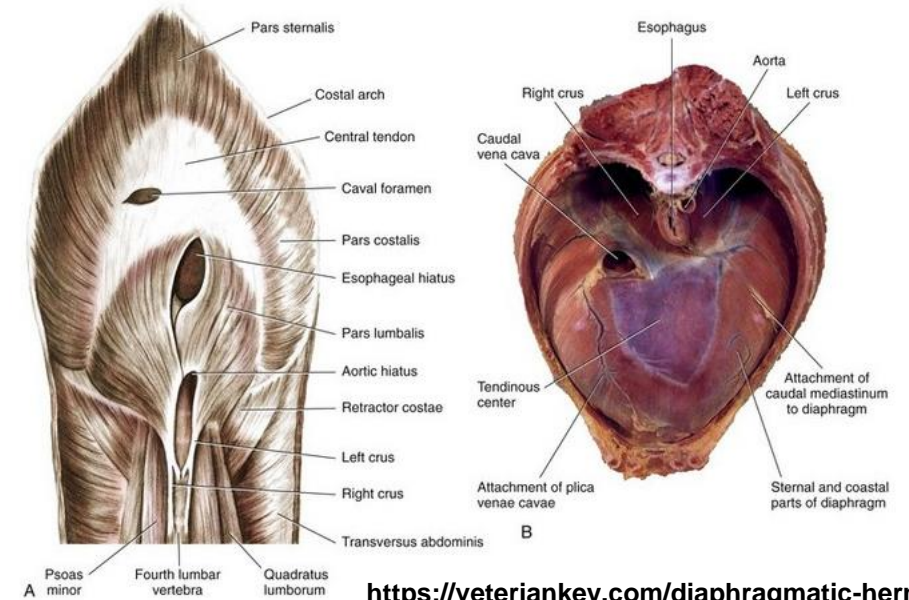
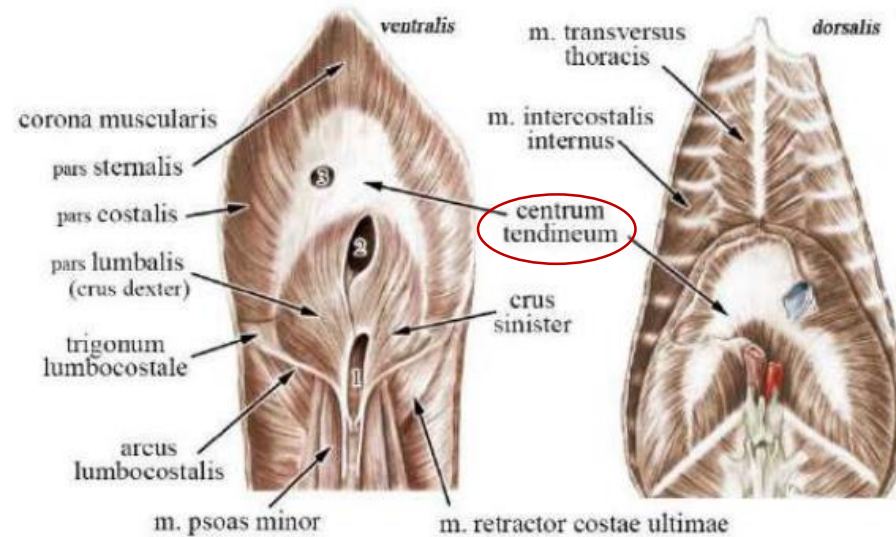
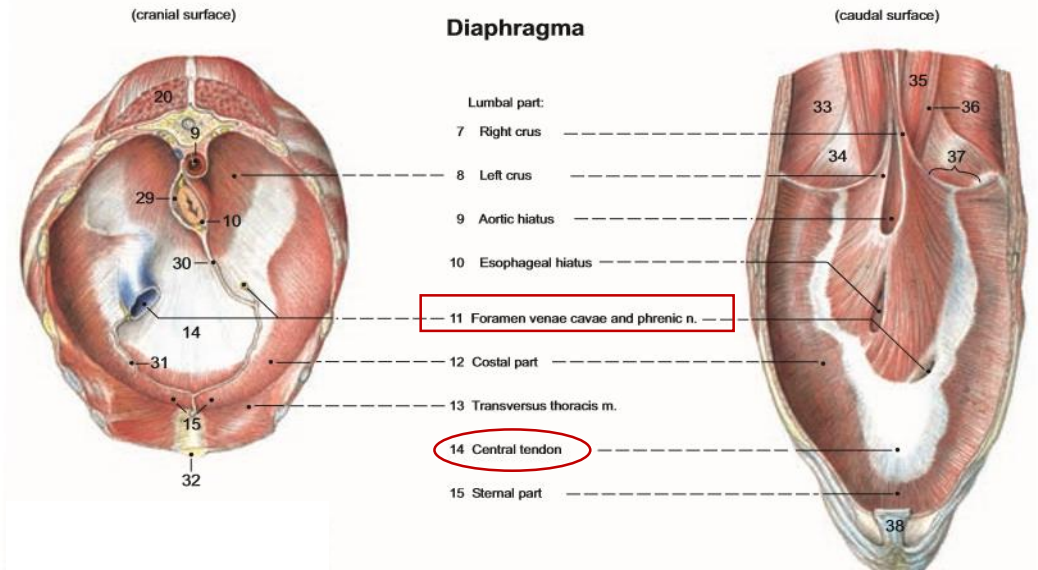
RESPIRATORY MUSCLES OF CARNIVORES

Diaphragm:

M. phrenicus:

Centrum tendineum (central tendineous plate):

- strong aponeurosis
- forms the insertion of the part of corona muscularis
- foramen venae cavae



PECTORAL MUSCLES OF CARNIVORES

1. M. pectoralis superficialis:

a. M. pectoralis descendens

b. M. pectoralis transversus

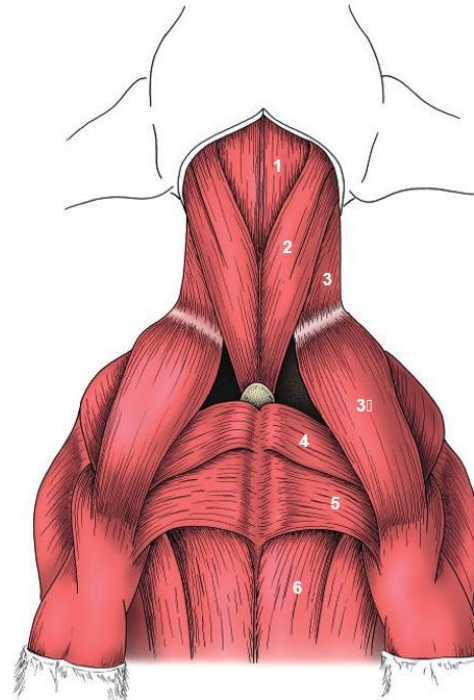
2. M. pectoralis profundus



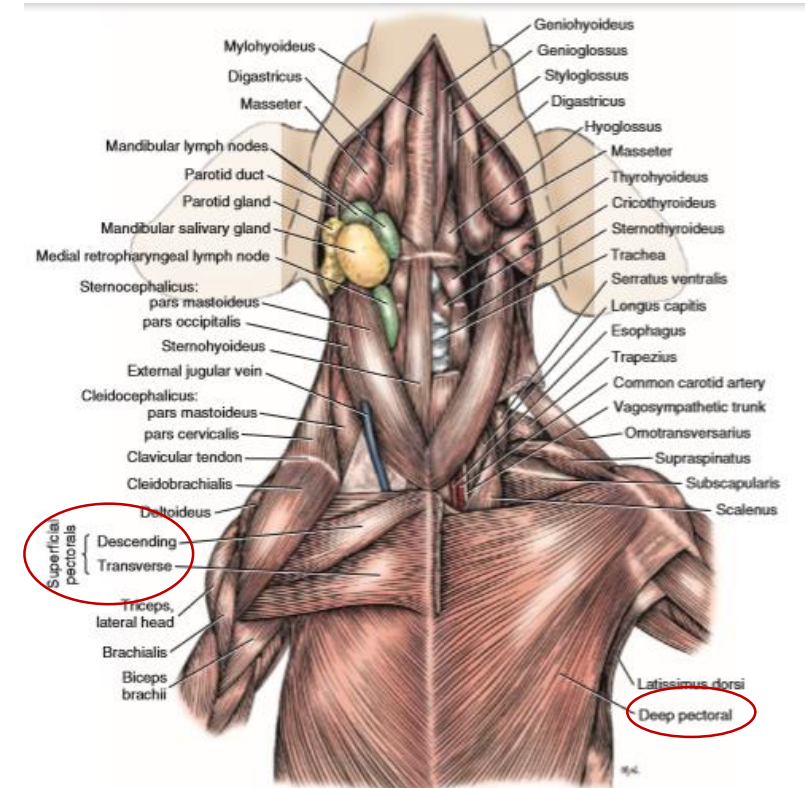
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Red star: m. pectoralis superfic. pars transversus

Red star: m. pectoralis prof



1. Combined sternohyoideus and sternothyroideus
2. Sternocephalicus
3. Cleidocephalicus, cervical part
- 3'. Brachiocephalicus, cleidobrachialis
4. Pectoralis descendens
5. Pectoralis transversus
6. Pectoralis profundus



PECTORAL MUSCLES OF CARNIVORES

1. *M. pectoralis superficialis*:

a. *M. pectoralis descendens*

Origin: manubrium sterni

Insertion: a. crista tuberculi majoris (humerus)

b. upper part of crista humeri

Function: 1. forms ventral connection of forelimb

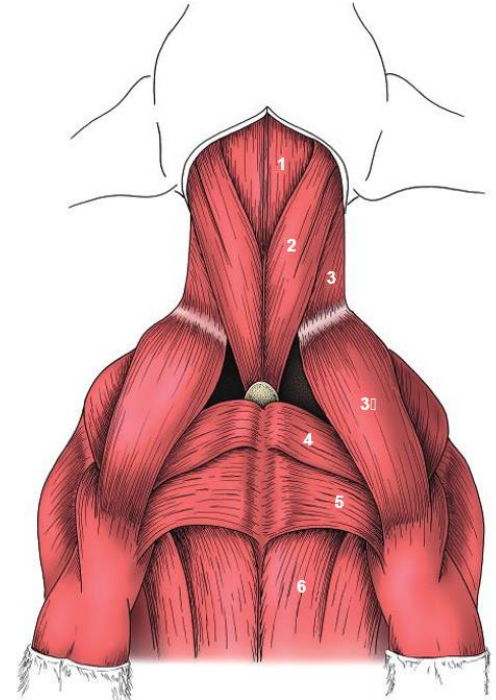
2. adduction

3. draws limb cranially or caudally depending on its position



Purple star: *m. pectoralis superfic. pars descendens*

Red star: *m. pectoralis superfic. pars transversus*



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PECTORAL MUSCLES OF CARNIVORES

1. *M. pectoralis superficialis*:

b. *M. pectoralis transversus*

Origin: 1st – 3rd sternebrae

Insertion: a. crista tuberculi majoris (humerus)

b. upper part of crista humeri

Function: 1. forms ventral connection of forelimb

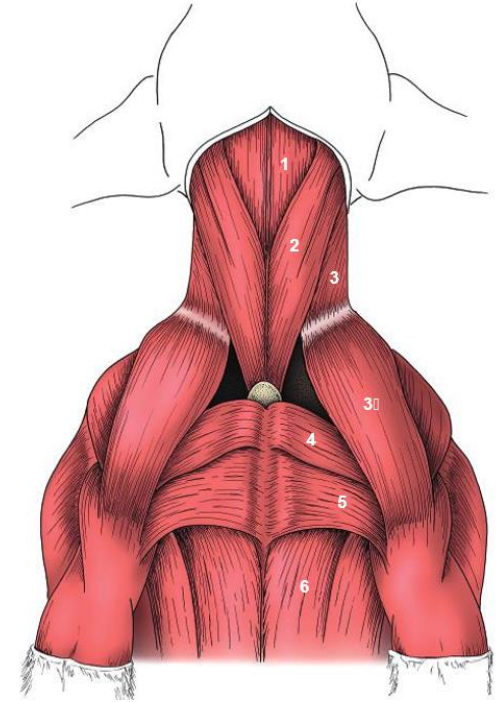
2. adduction

3. draws limb cranially or caudally depending on its position



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2. M. pectoralis profundus (M. pectoralis ascendens):

Origin: a. all sternebrae of sternum

b. costal cartilage of true ribs

Insertion: a. tuberculum minor of humerus - insertion of main part of muscle

b. tuberculum major of humerus – insertion for a small aponeurosis

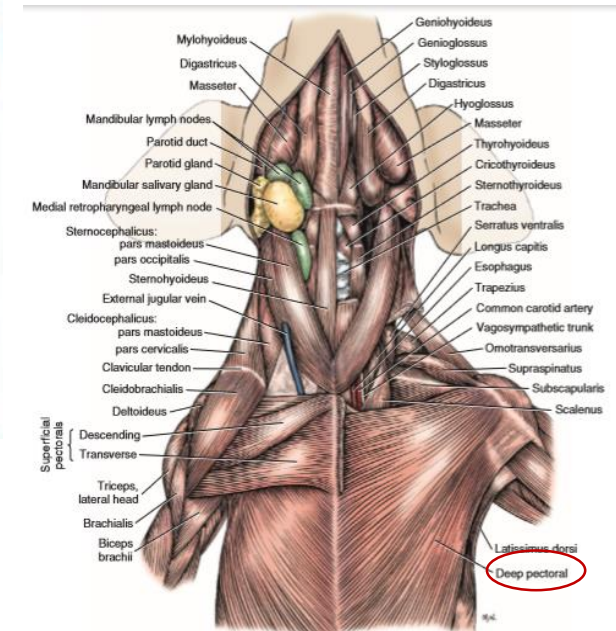
Function: a. supports trunk

b. a strong retractor – draws limb caudally

c. adductor of forelimb



Red star: m. pectoralis prof



RESPIRATORY MUSCLES OF THE HORSE

- the respiratory muscles are well developed

1. **M. serratus dorsalis cranialis**

2. **M. serratus dorsalis caudalis**

3. **M. intercostalis externus et internus**

4. **M. intercartilagineus**

5. **M. retractor**

6. **M. rectus thoracis**

7. **M. transversus thoracis**

8. **Diaphragm**

RESPIRATORY MUSCLES OF THE HORSE

1. M. serratus dorsalis cranialis

Origin: a. by an aponeurosis from the spinocostotransverse fascia

b. by an aponeurosis from the thoracolumbar fascia

Insertion: cranial border and lateral surface of the 5th - 11th ribs, lateral to the iliocostal muscle

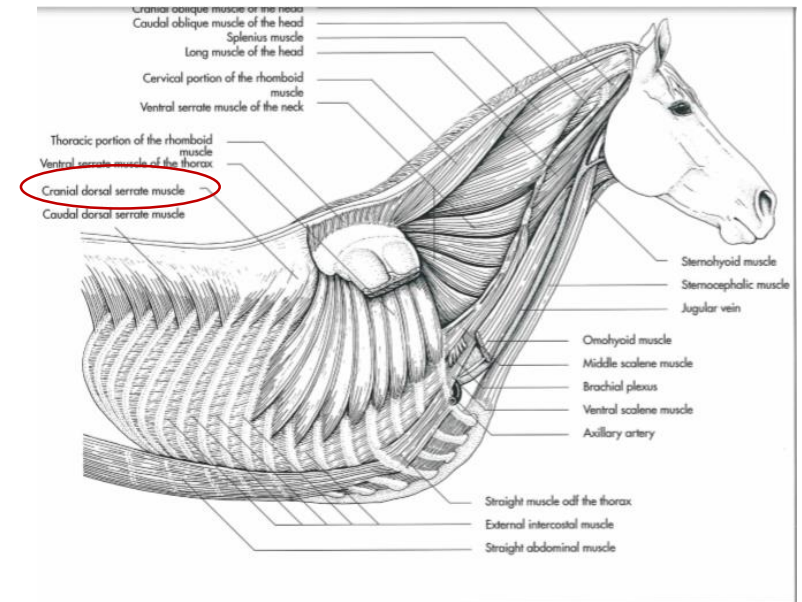
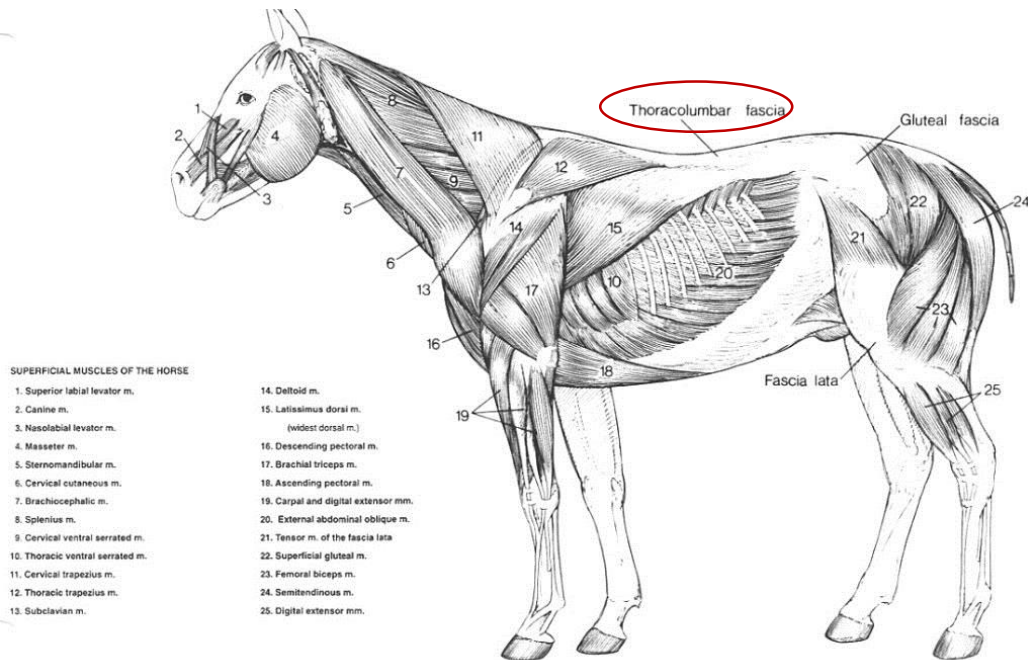


Fig. 2-9. Superficial muscles of the trunk of the horse (schematic) (Ghetie, 1954).

RESPIRATORY MUSCLES OF THE HORSE

2. *M. serratus dorsalis caudalis*:

Origin: a. by an aponeurosis from the spinocostotransverse fascia

b. by an aponeurosis from the thoracolumbal fascia

Insertion: caudal border of the 11th - 18th ribs

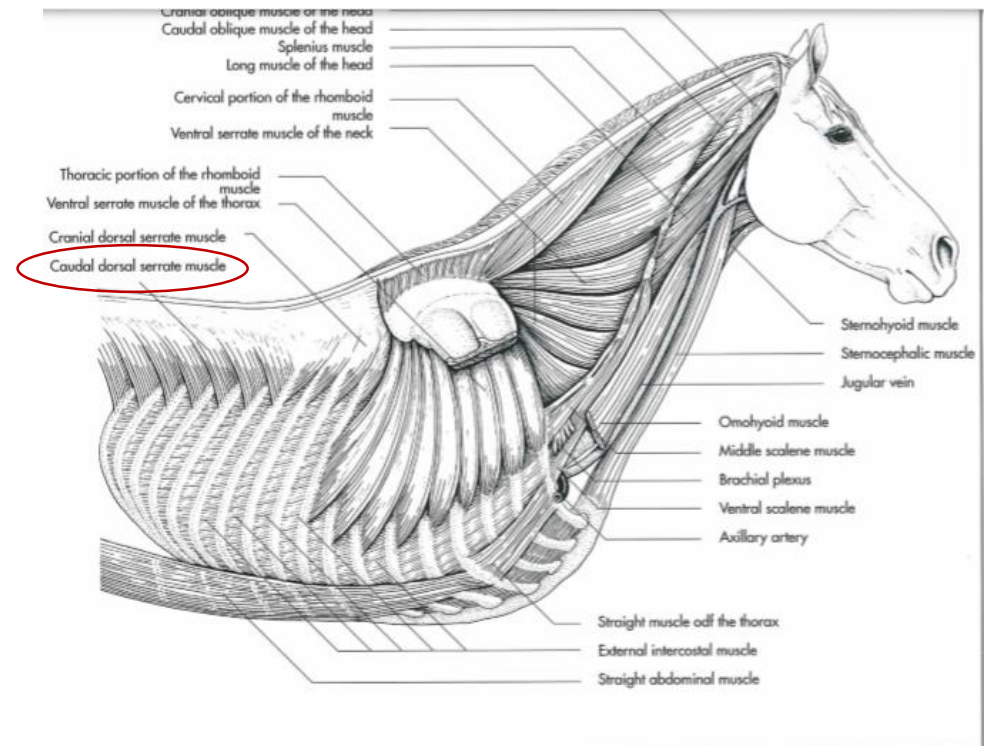
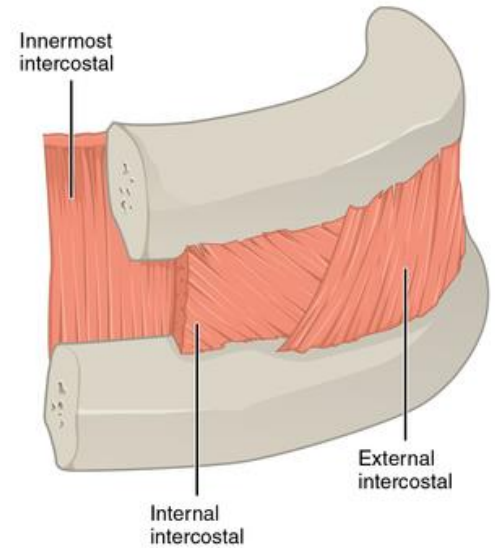


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3. M. intercostalis externus:

- more horizontally arranged
- the muscle fibers are heavily permeated by collagen
- in the region of the last rib blend with the external oblique abdominal muscle



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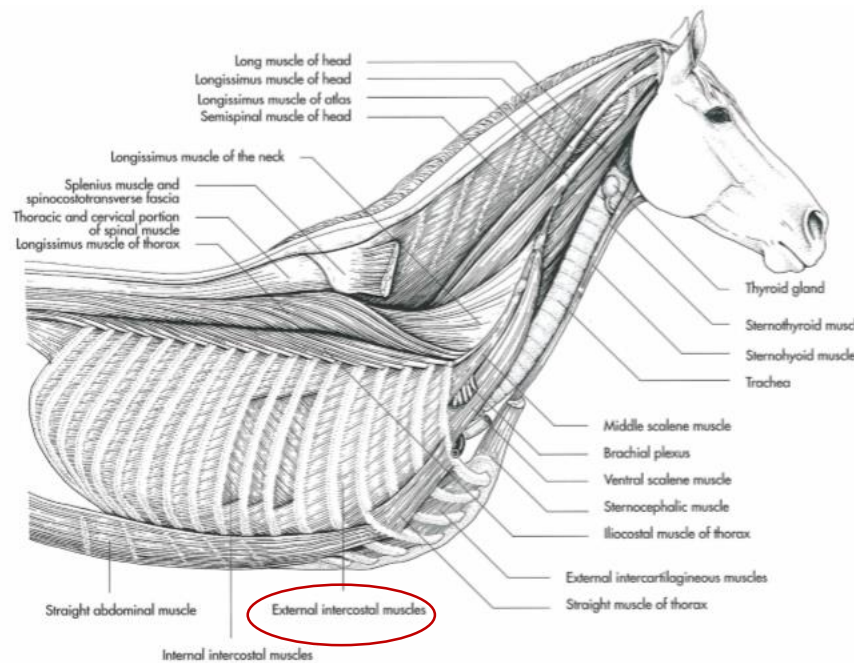


fig. 2-11. Superficial and middle layers of the trunk musculature of the horse (schematic) (Ghetie, 1954).

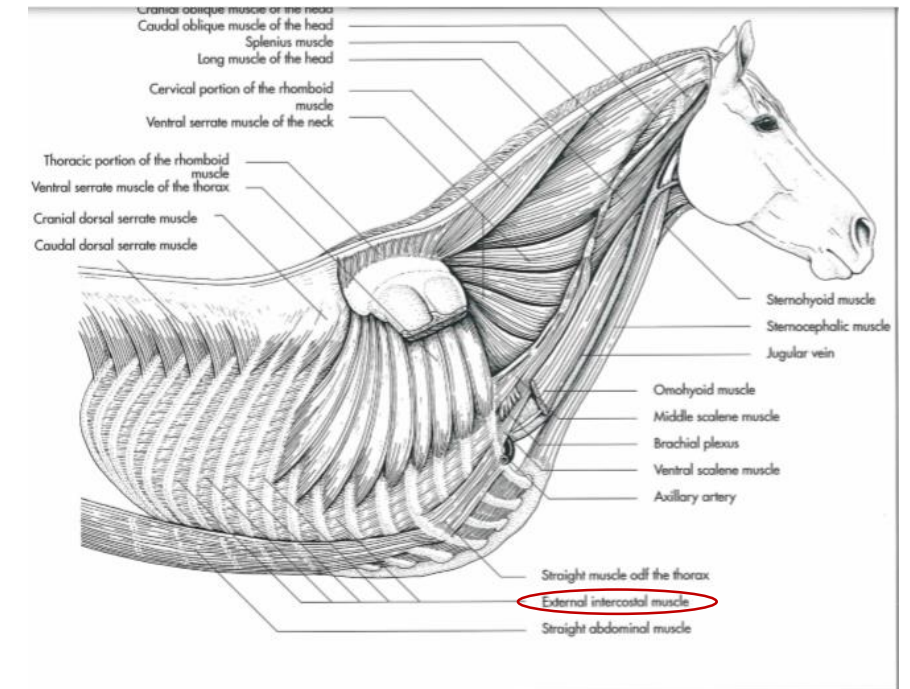


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4. M. intercostalis internus:

a. Cranial half:

- are fleshy by the first 8 intercostal spaces
- lie below the thoracic ventral serrate muscle

b. Caudal half:

- are tendinous

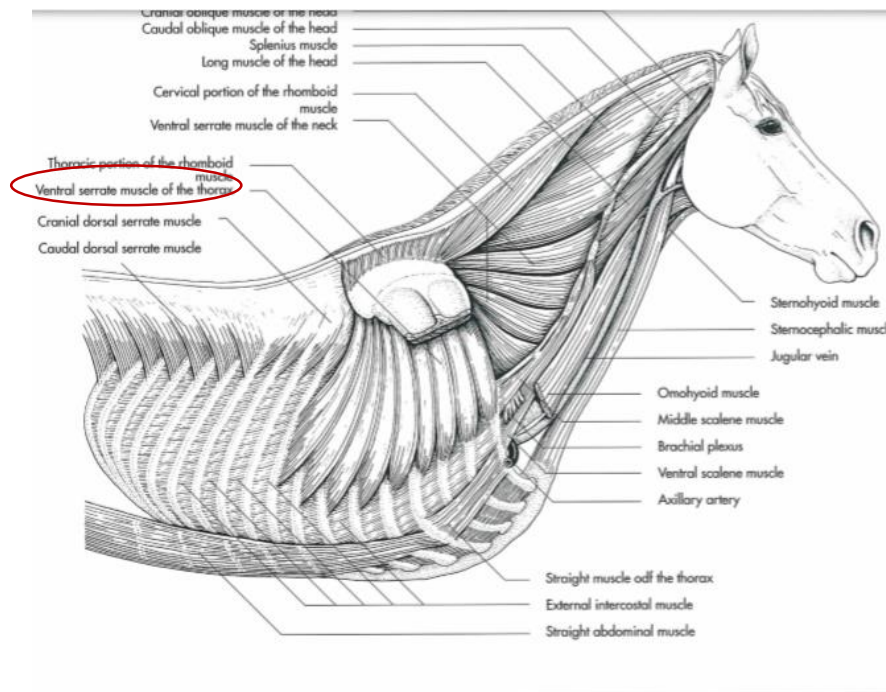
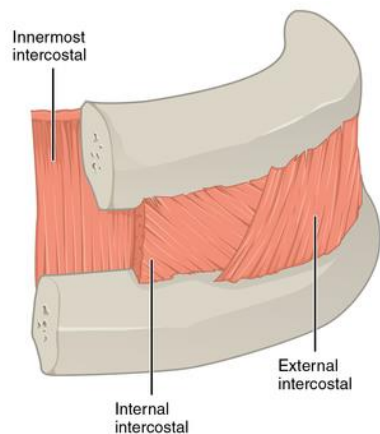


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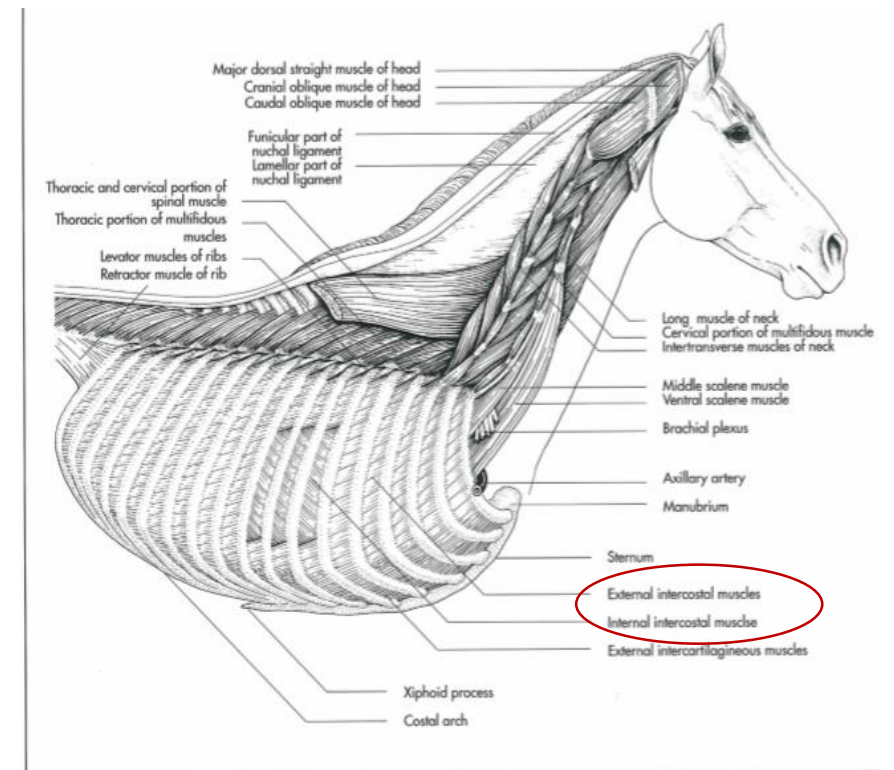


Fig. 2-12. Deep layer of the trunk musculature of the horse (schematic) (Ellenberger and Baum, 1943).

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5. M. intercartilagineus:

- in the region of the false ribs applied to the lateral surface of the costal cartilage

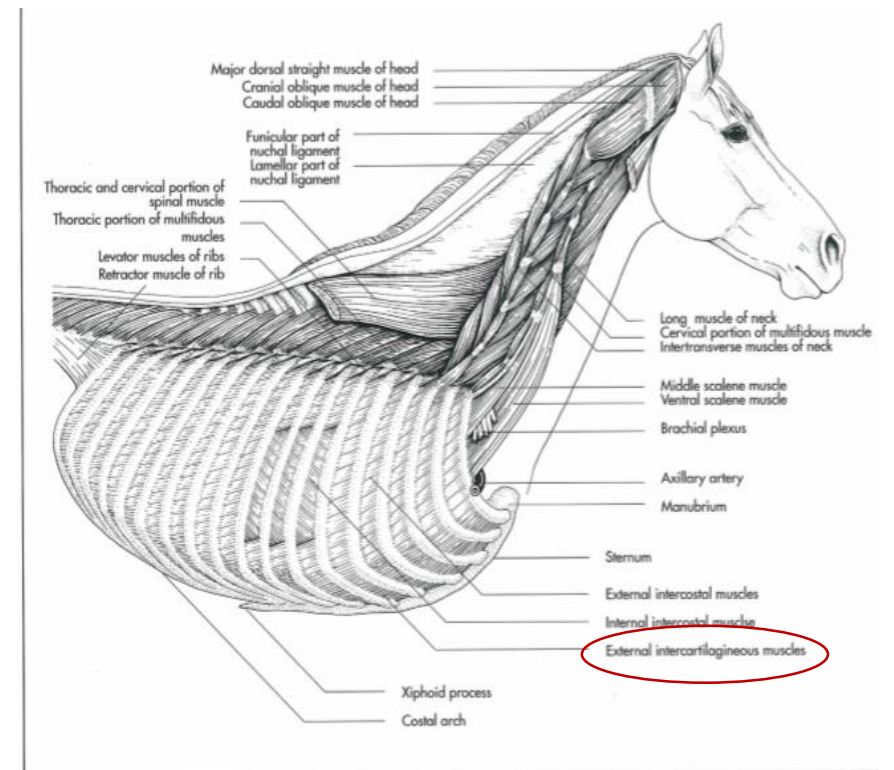
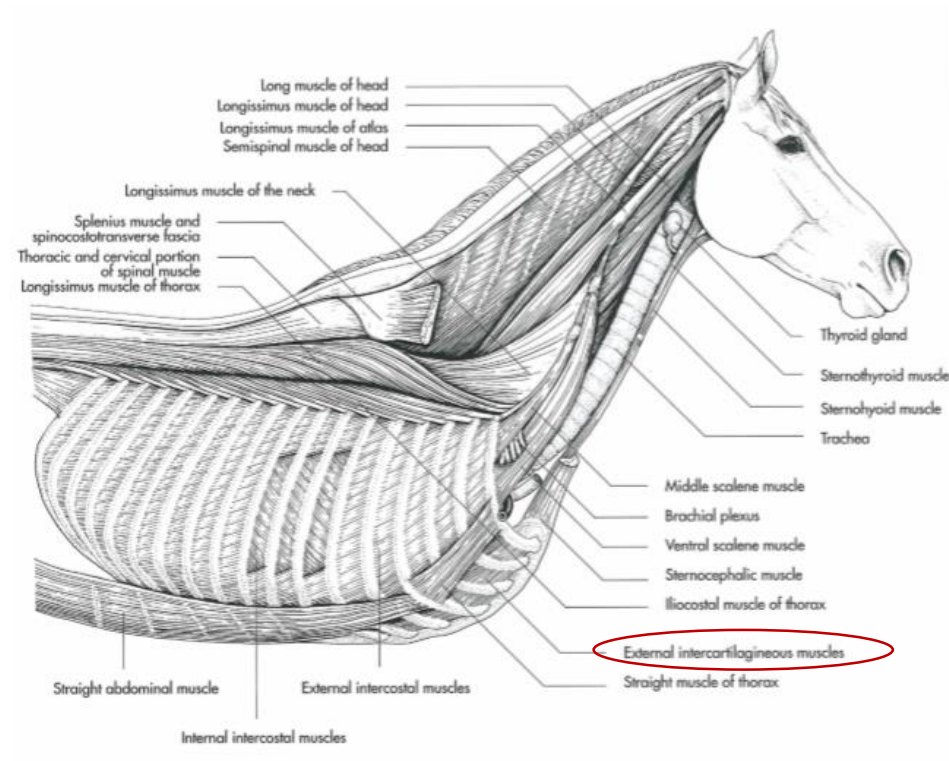


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6. M. retractor:

- between the thoracolumbar fascia and the last ribs

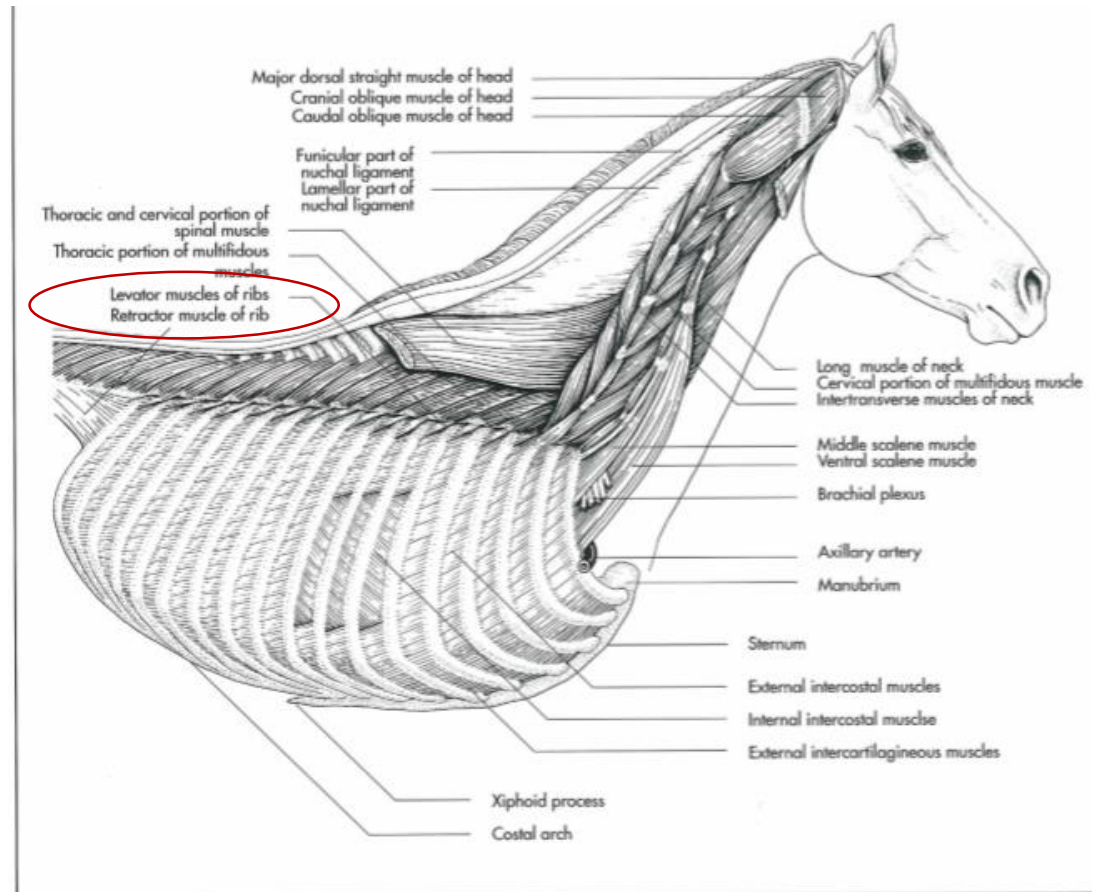
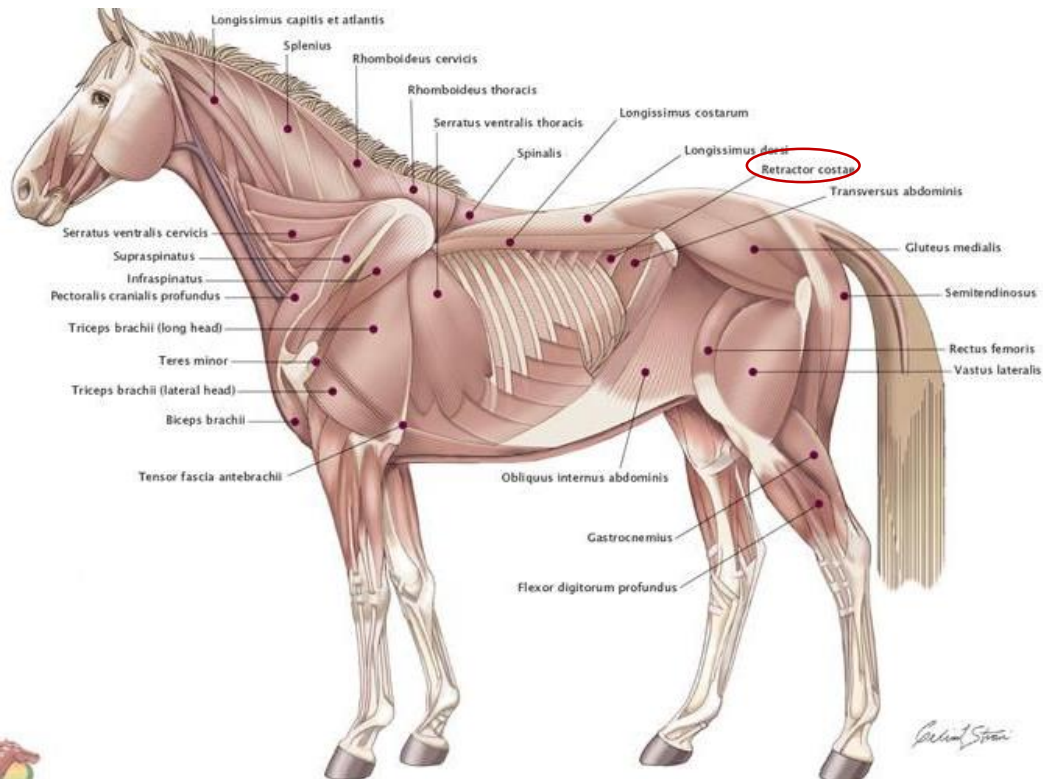


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7. M. rectus thoracis:

- extends over the three or four ribs
- often forming a direct contact with the rectus abdominis muscle

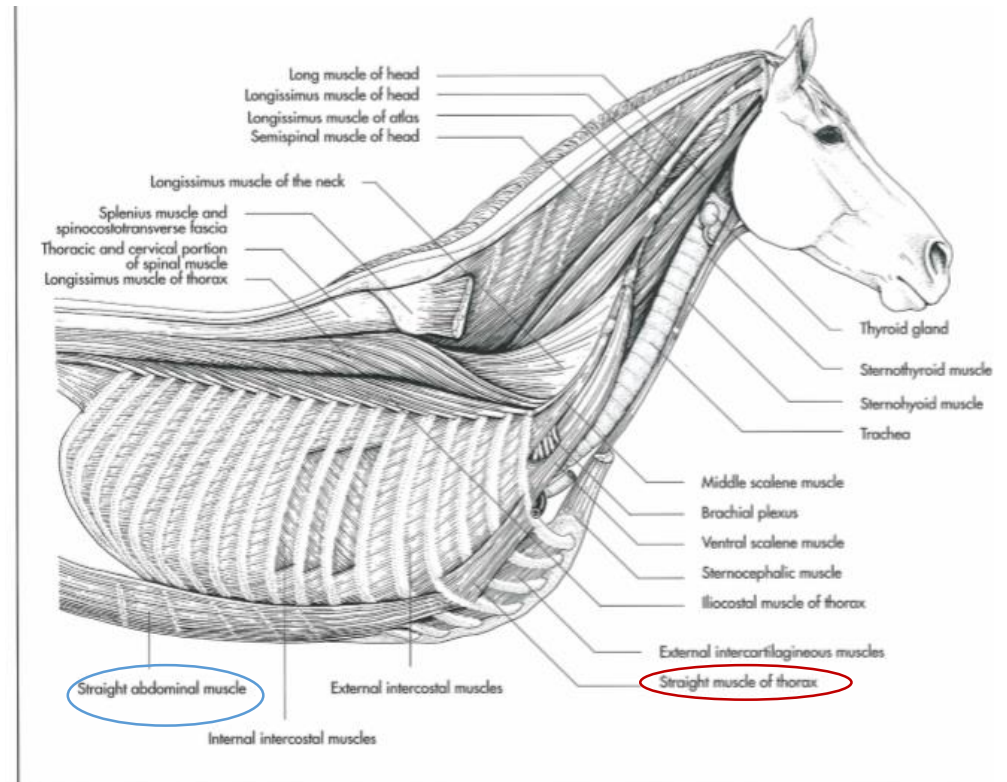


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8. M. transversus thoracis:

Origin: arises bilaterally from the middle limb of the sternal ligament

Insertion: 2 - 8th ribs at the costochondral junction

RESPIRATORY MUSCLES OF THE HORSE

9. Diaphragm:

- taller than its wide
- characterised by the size of its tendinous centre

a) Pars costalis

b) Pars sternalis

c) Pars lumbalis

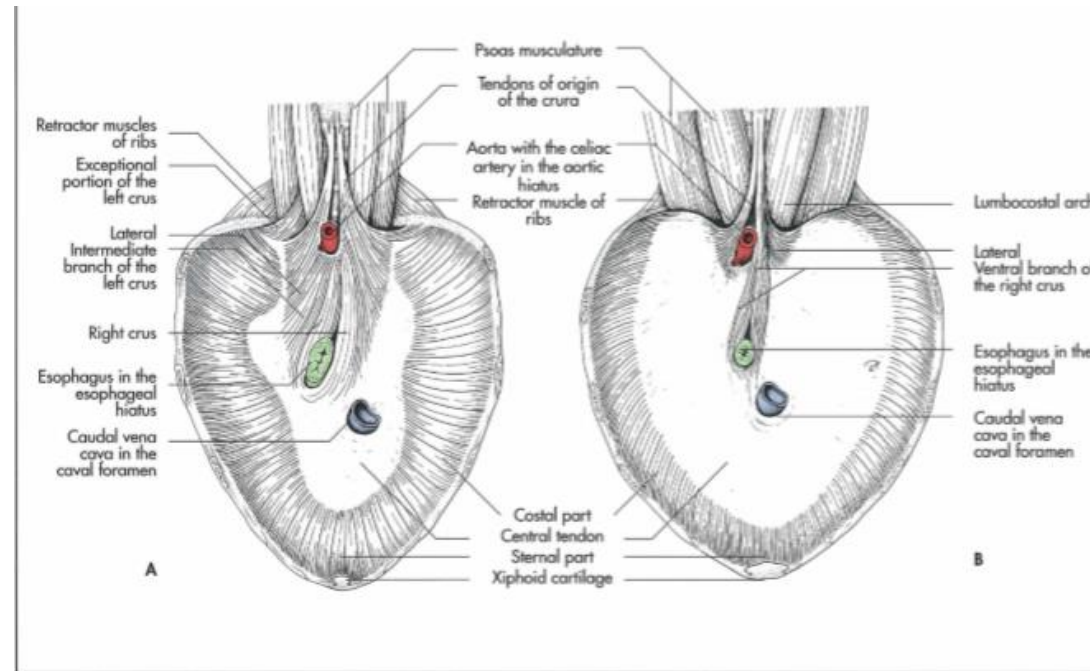
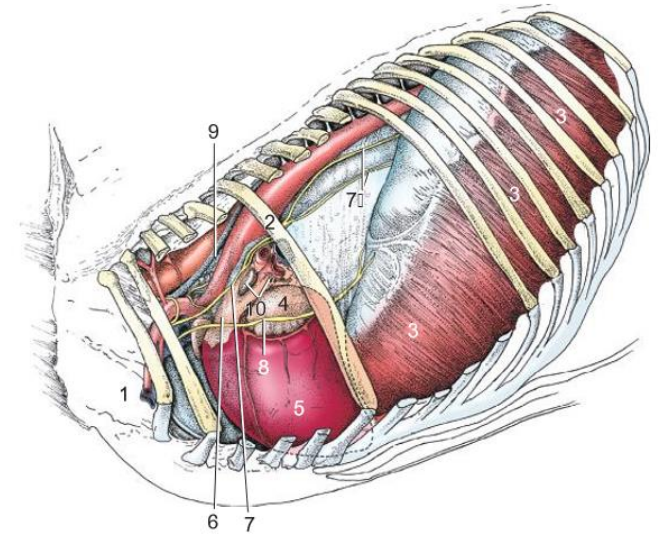


Fig. 2-14. Diaphragm of the dog (A) and horse (B) (schematic, caudal aspect).



1. Axillary vessels
2. Sixth rib
3. Diaphragm
4. Left auricle
5. Left ventricle
6. Pulmonary trunk
7. Vagus
- 7'. Dorsal and ventral vagal trunks
8. Phrenic nerve
9. Thoracic duct
10. Tracheobronchial lymph nodes

Note: The mediastinal pleura cranial to the heart have been removed, exposing the cranial lobe of the right lung.

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a. Pars costalis:

Origin: by digitations laying between those of the transverse muscle

Insertion: costochondral junctions of the 14th – 8th ribs

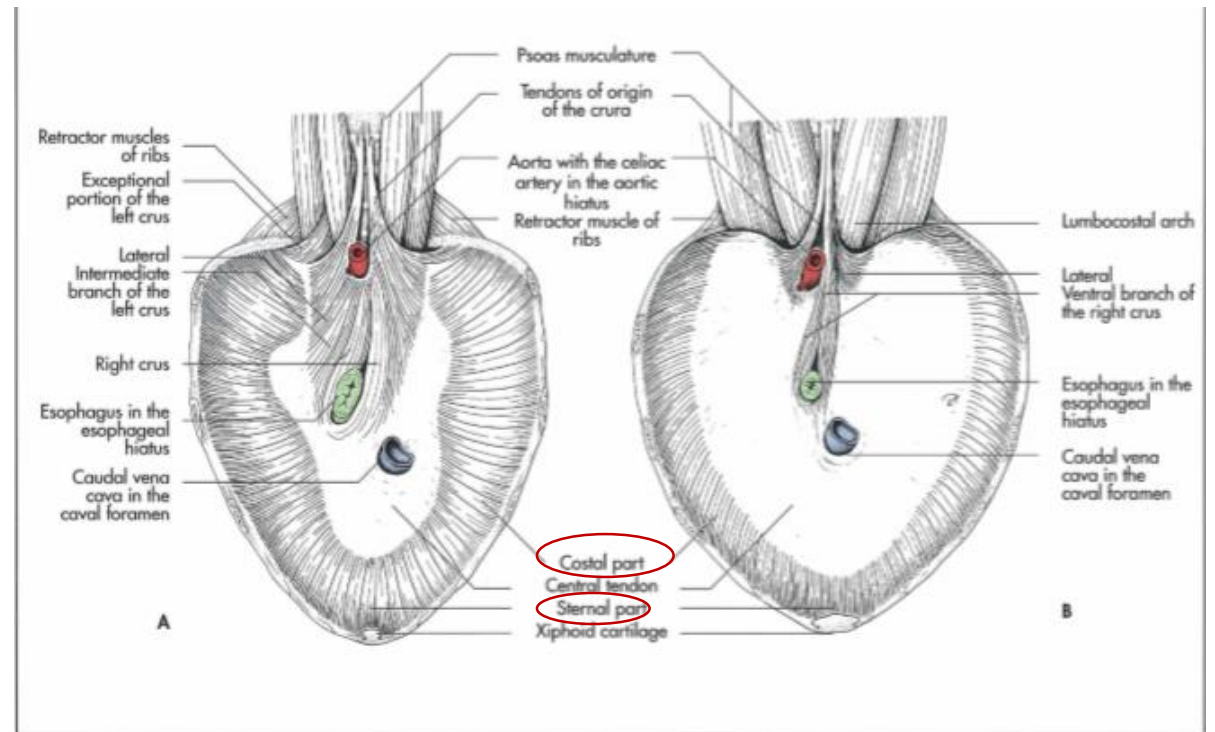


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b. Pars sternalis:

- it is not distinctly separable from the costal part

Origin: Xyphoid cartilage

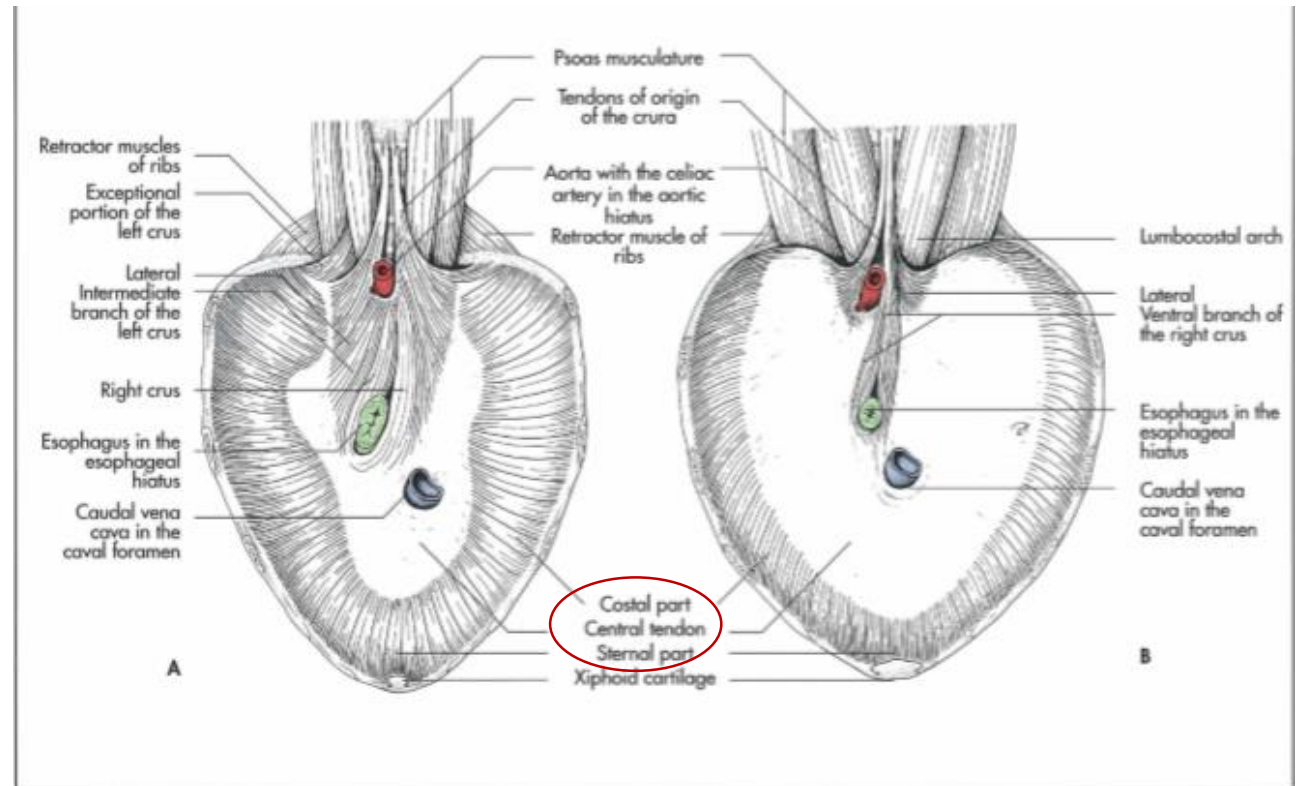


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c. Pars lumbalis:

1. left crus:

i. lateral limb

2. right crus

i. lateral limb

ii. ventral limb

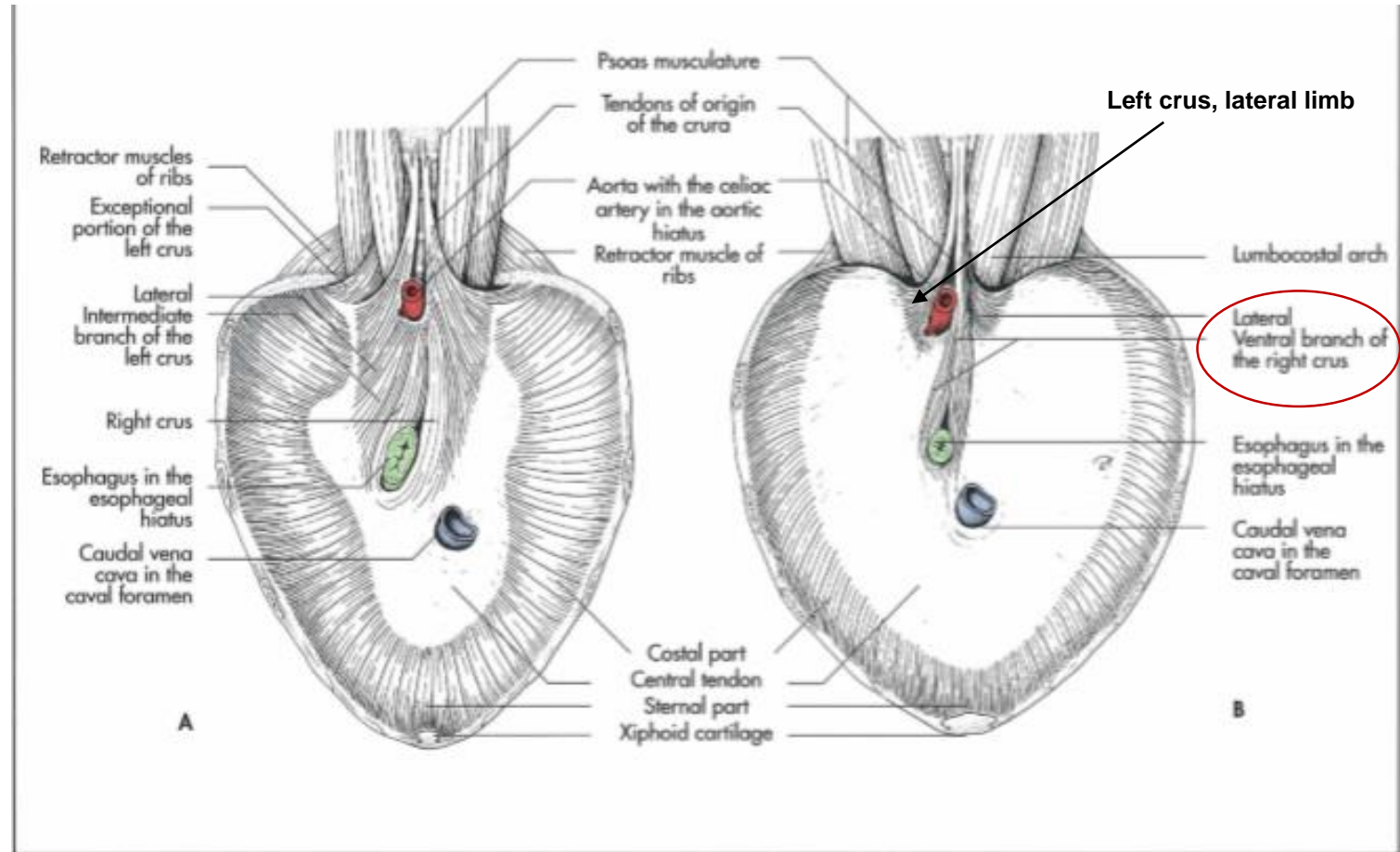


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c. Pars lumbalis:

Left crus:

- arises from the 1st-2nd lumbar vertebra
- broadens out to the left of the aortic hiatus

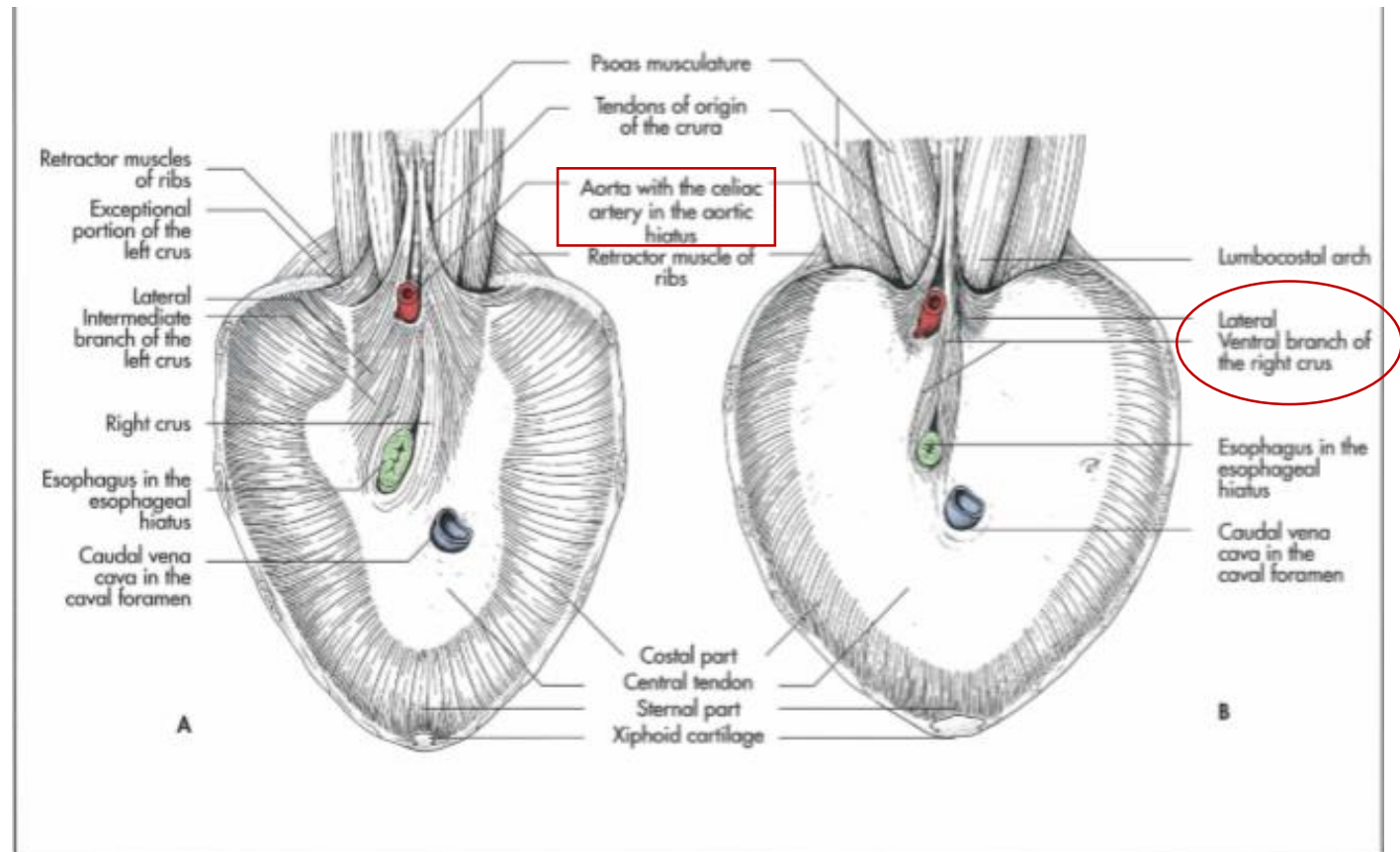


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Hiatus oesophageus:

- formed by strong muscle bundles of the ventral limb of the right crus

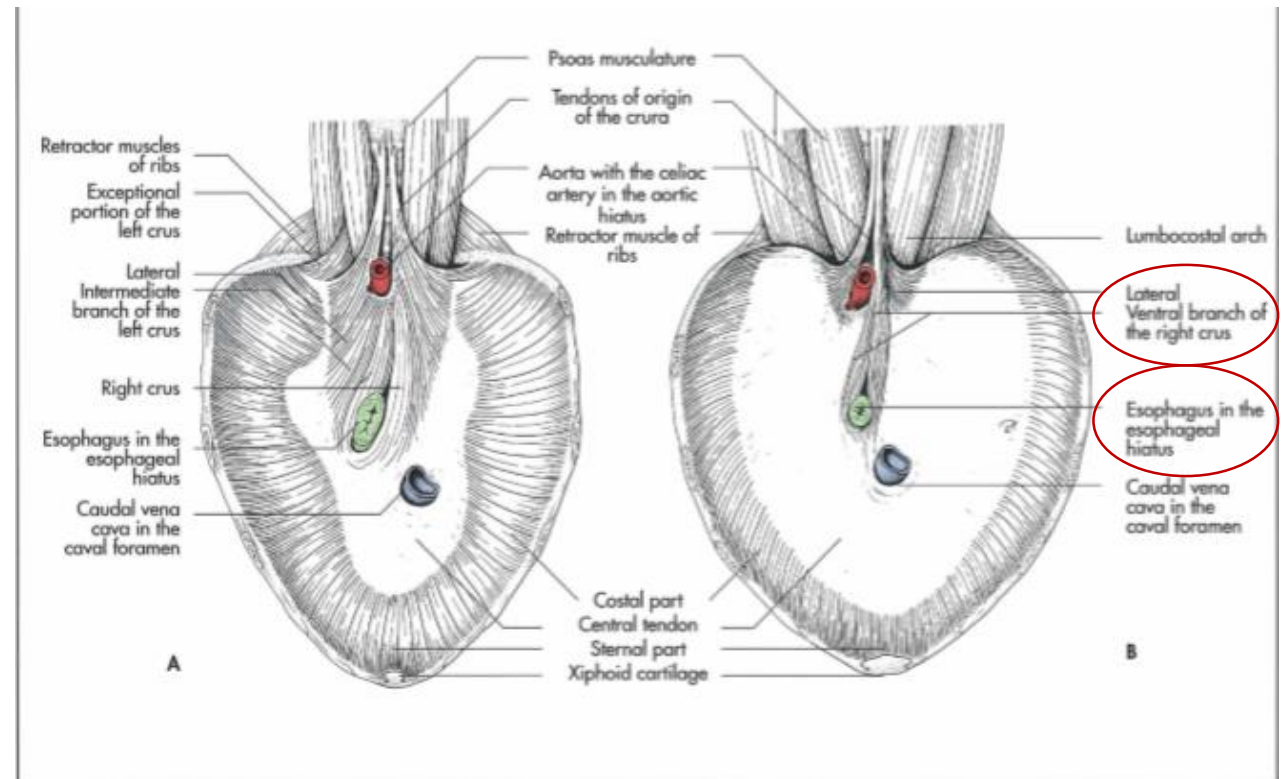


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Foramen cavea:

- situated in the lateral part
- about the level of the 7th intercostal space
- formed by strong tendon tracts which merge with the right part of the ventral limb of the right crus

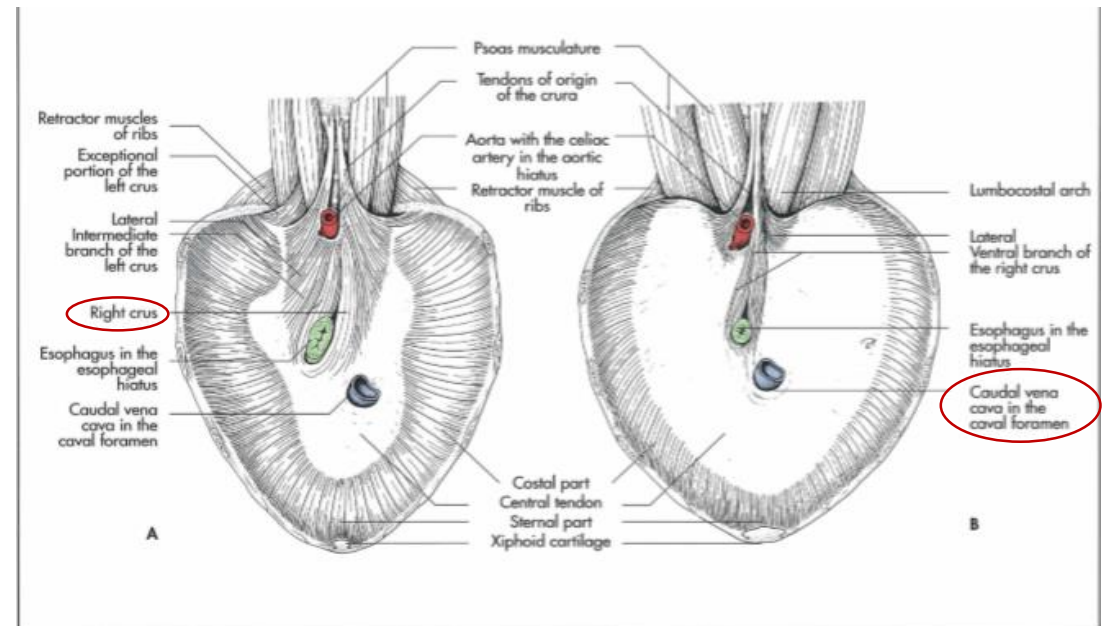
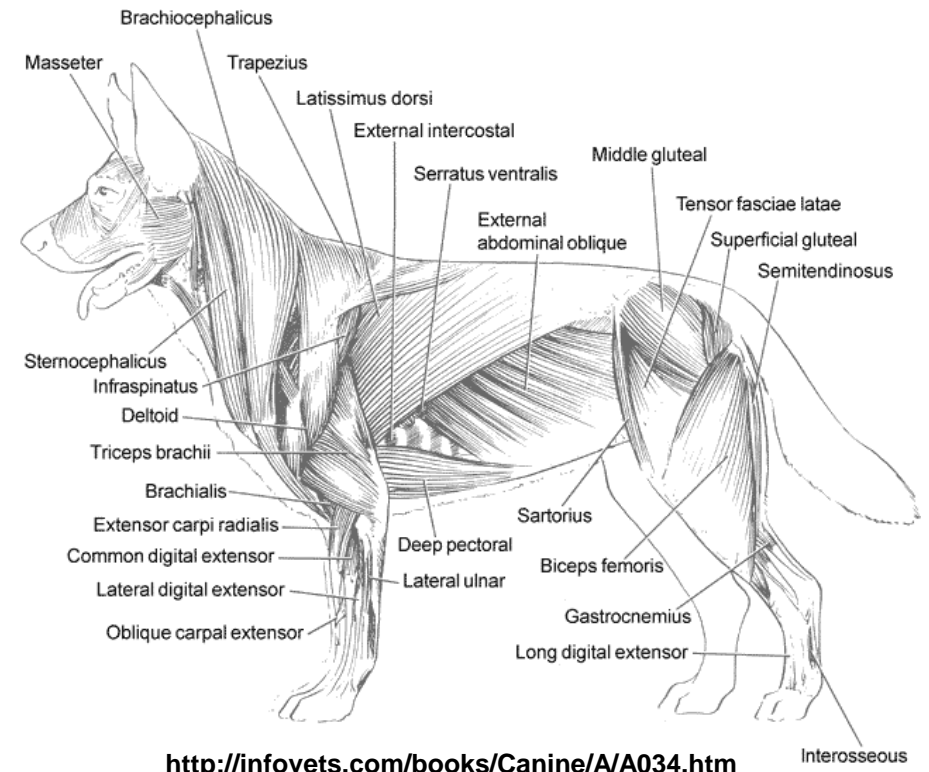


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ABDOMINAL MUSCLES OF CARNIVORES

Functions:

- form the abdominal wall
- maintain abdominal pressure (urination, defecation, parturition)
- protection of abdominal organs



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1. **M. obliquus externus abdominis**
2. **M. obliquus internus abdominis**
3. **M. transversus abdominis**
4. **M. rectus abdominis**

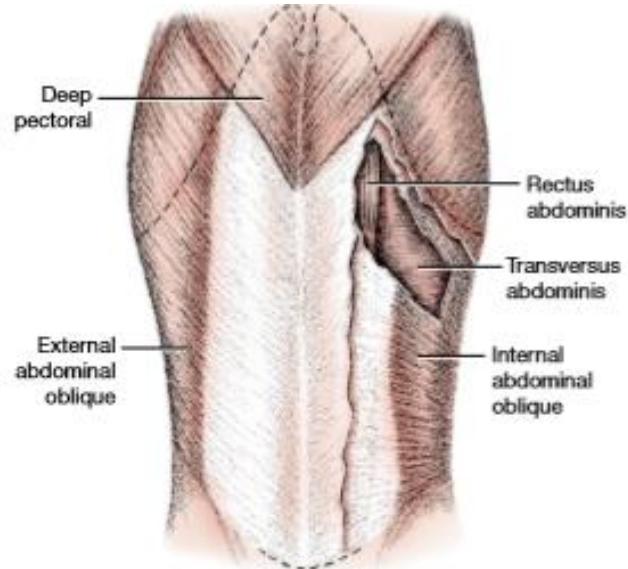


Fig. 2-77 Muscles of abdominal wall, ventral view.

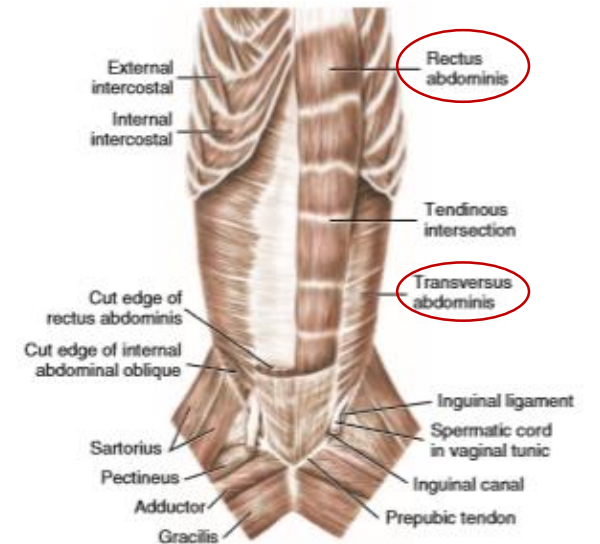


FIGURE 6-38 Muscles of trunk, deep dissection, ventral aspect.

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M. obliquus externus abdominis:

Origin: a. superficial layer of thoracolumbal fascia

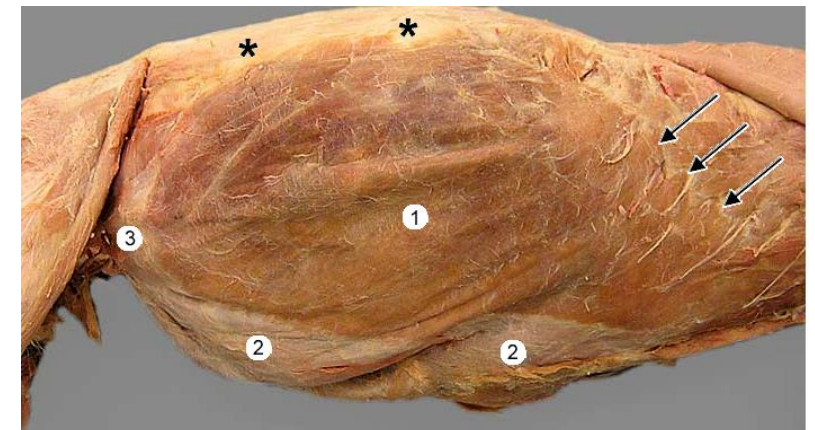
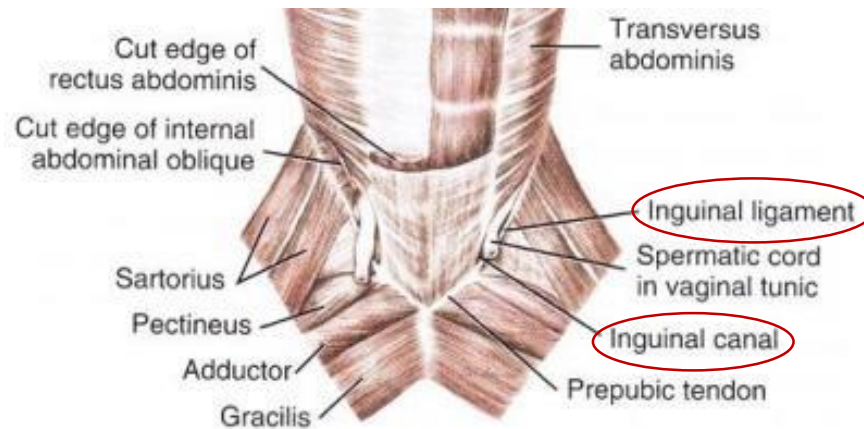
b. lateral aspect of ribs 4 – 12

Insertion:

a. fibers run caudoventrally to linea alba

b. fibers run caudally to pelvis – formation of inguinal ligament (ligamentum inguinale poparti)

c. formation of medial and lateral crus around the superficial inguinal ring (anulus inguinalis superficialis)



Abdominal muscles of the cat. The **external abdominal oblique m.** (1) takes origin from thoracic ribs (arrows) and from thoracolumbar deep fascia (asterisks). It inserts on the linea alba via an aponeurosis (2) that covers the rectus abdominis m. Caudally, the aponeurosis (3) contacts the thigh. Notice that muscle fascicles of the external abdominal oblique m. are angled caudally (i.e., they run from craniodorsal to ventrocaudal).

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2. M. obliquus internus abdominis:

Origin: a. superficial layer of thoracolumbal fascia

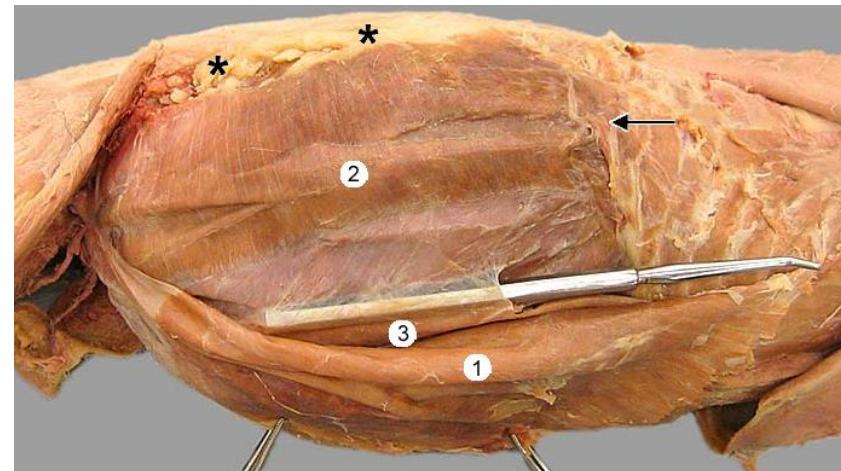
b. tuber coxae

c. lig. inguinale

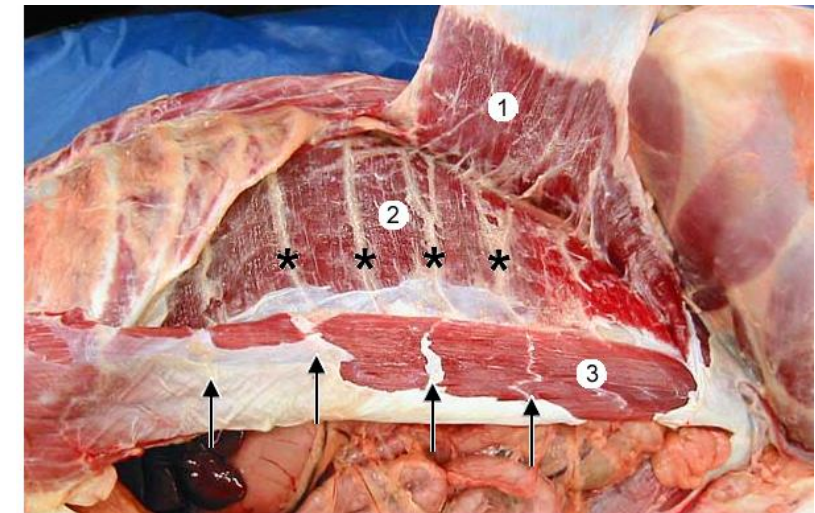
Insertion:

a. fibers run cranioventrally to linea alba

b. at preumbilical level – outer and inner layer – formation of rectus sheath



Abdominal muscles of the cat. The **external abdominal oblique m.** (1) is reflected ventrally, exposing the **internal abdominal oblique m.** (2) which originates from the last ribs (arrow) and from thoracolumbar deep fascia (asterisks) and from the ilium (tuber coxae). The internal abdominal oblique m. inserts on the linea alba via an aponeurosis (elevated by a probe) that ensheathes the rectus abdominis m. (3). Notice that muscle fascicles of the internal abdominal oblique m. are angled cranially (i.e., they run from caudodorsal to ventrocranial).



Here the **internal abdominal oblique m.** (1) is reflected, exposing the **transversus abdominis m.** (2) (which has ventral branches of spinal nerves (asterisks) running down its lateral surface). The **rectus abdominis m.** (3) has been exposed by reflecting the aponeuroses that ensheathes it. The muscle is segmented by tendinous intersections (arrows). The abdomen has been opened by incising the linea alba.

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3. M. transversus abdominis:

Origin: a. deep layer of thoracolumbal fascia from transverse processes of lumbal vertebrae

b. medial surface of false ribs

Insertion: fibers run transversely to linea alba

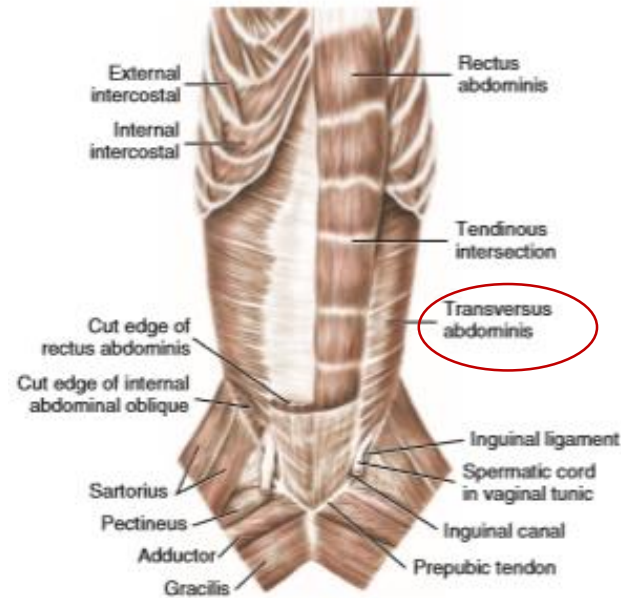
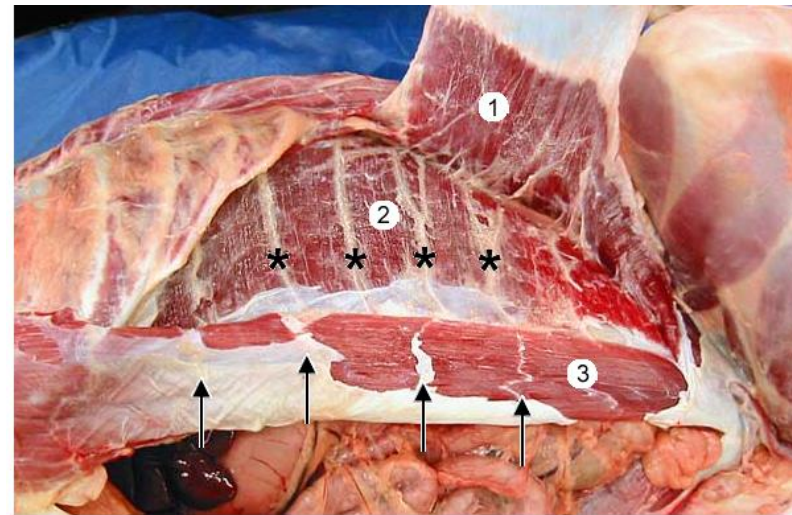
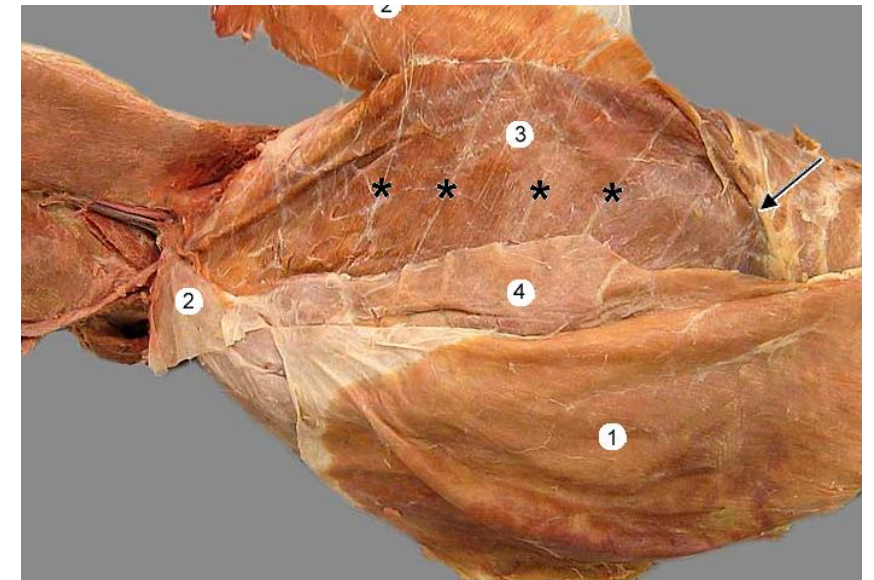


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Abdominal muscles of the cat. The **external abdominal oblique m.** (1) has been reflected ventrally and the **internal abdominal oblique m.** (2) is reflected dorsally, exposing the **transversus abdominis m.** (3) which originates from thoracolumbar deep fascia and from the costal arch (arrow). The transversus abdominis m. inserts on the linea alba via an aponeurosis that passes deep to the **rectus abdominis m.** (4). Ventral branches (asterisks) of lumbar spinal nerves run on the surface of the transversus abdominis m.

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M. rectus abdominis:

Origin: cranially from sternum

Insertion: pecten ossis pubis on prepubic tendon with m. pectineus

- tendinous intersections

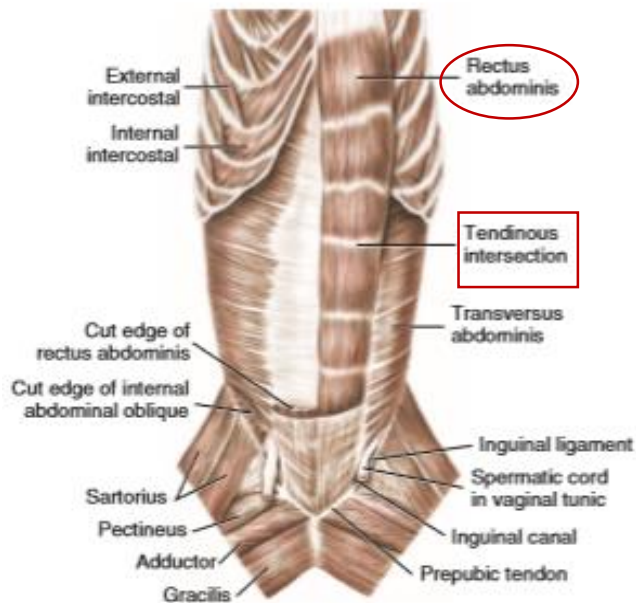
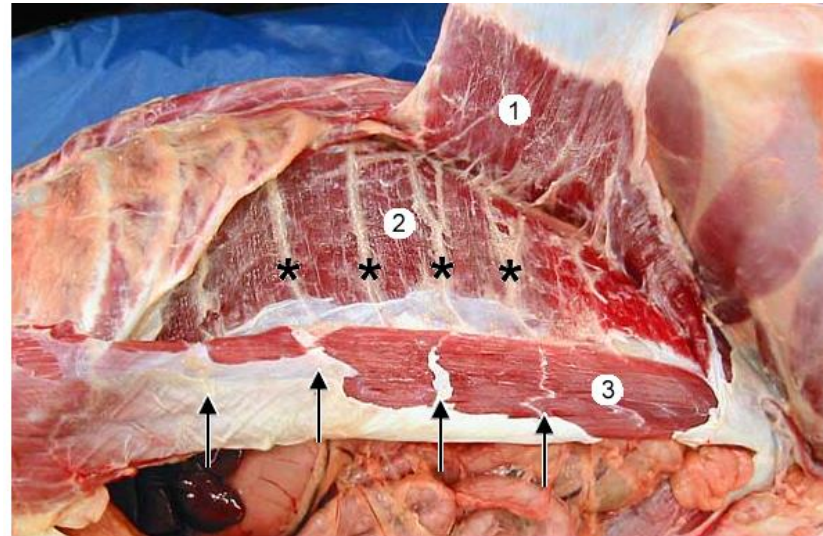
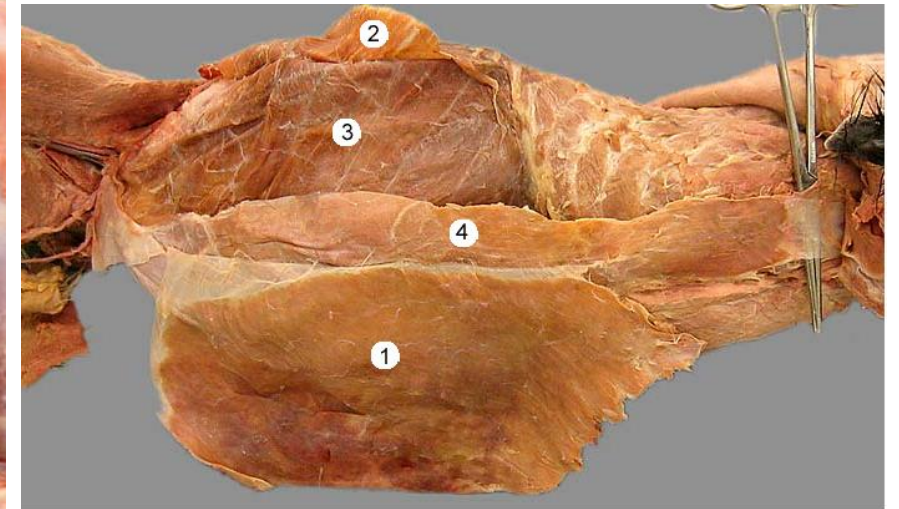


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Abdominal muscles of the cat. The **external abdominal oblique m.** (1) has been reflected ventrally and the **internal abdominal oblique m.** (2) has been reflected dorsally, revealing the **transversus abdominis m.** (3). The **rectus abdominis m.** (4) is exposed entirely by the reflections. Cranially, the rectus abdominis m. attaches to ribs via an aponeurosis (elevated by forceps). Caudally, the rectus abdominis m. attaches to the pubis via a prepubic tendon (not shown). (The tendinous intersections characteristic of the rectus abdominis m. are not evident in this image.)

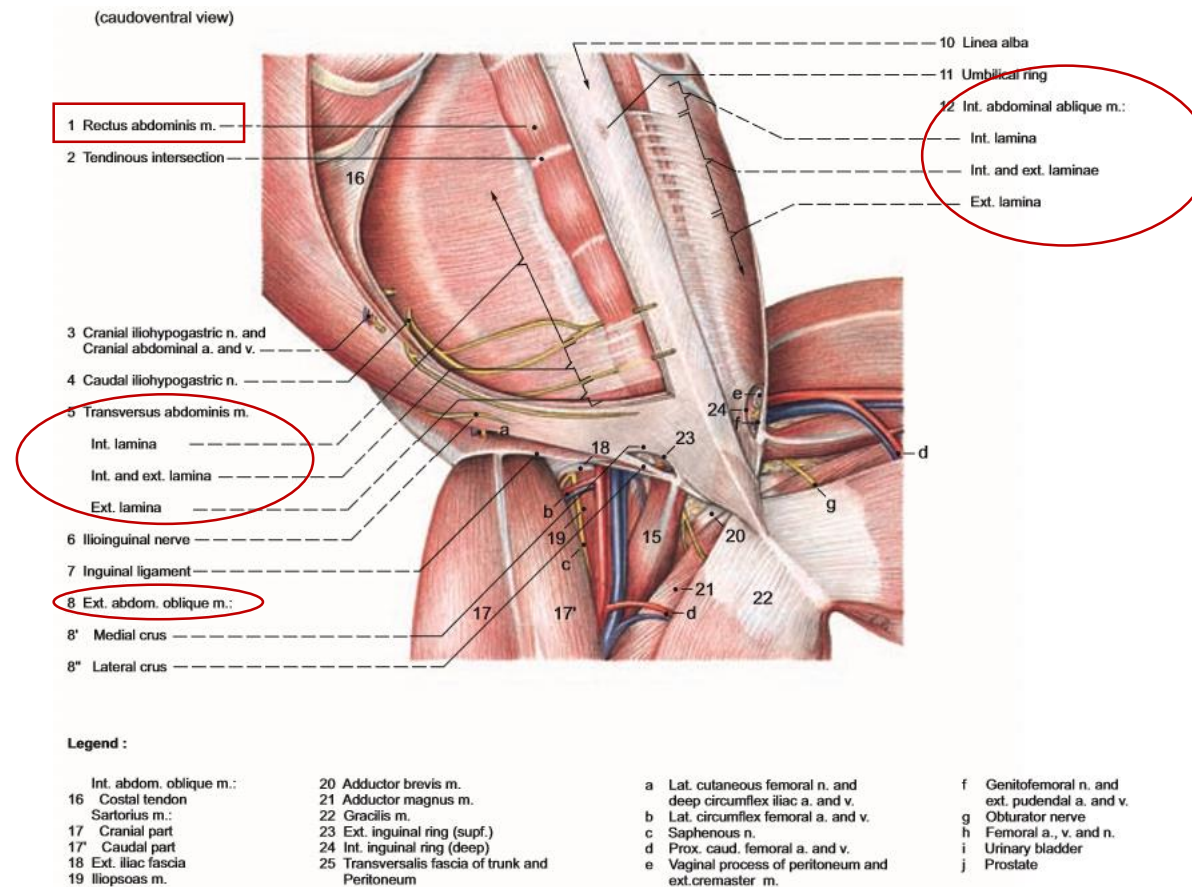
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RECTUS SHEATH (VAGINA RECTI):

- formed by the aponeuroses of the transverse abdominal and the external and internal oblique muscles
- contains the rectus abdominis

divided into:

1. anterior lamina
2. posterior lamina



ABDOMINAL MUSCLES OF CARNIVORES

- aponeuroses of the transverse abdominal and the external and internal oblique muscles

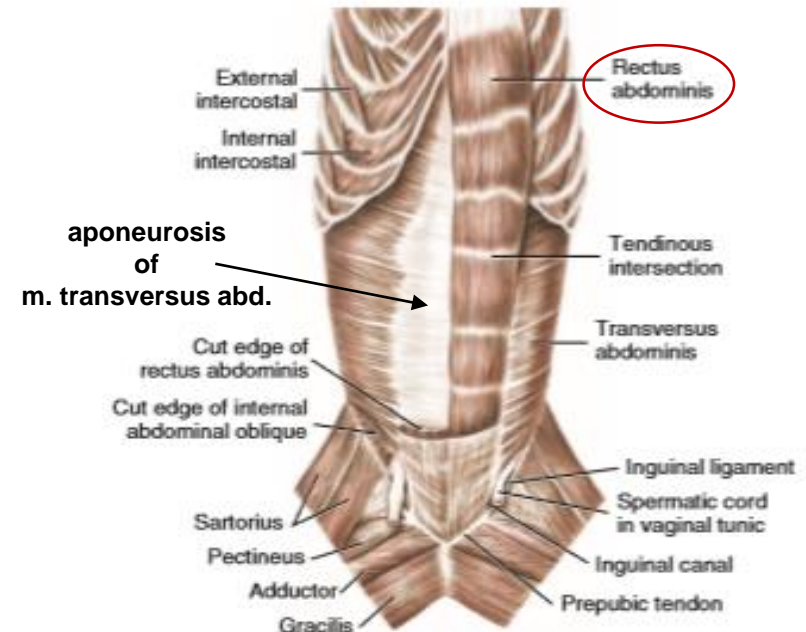
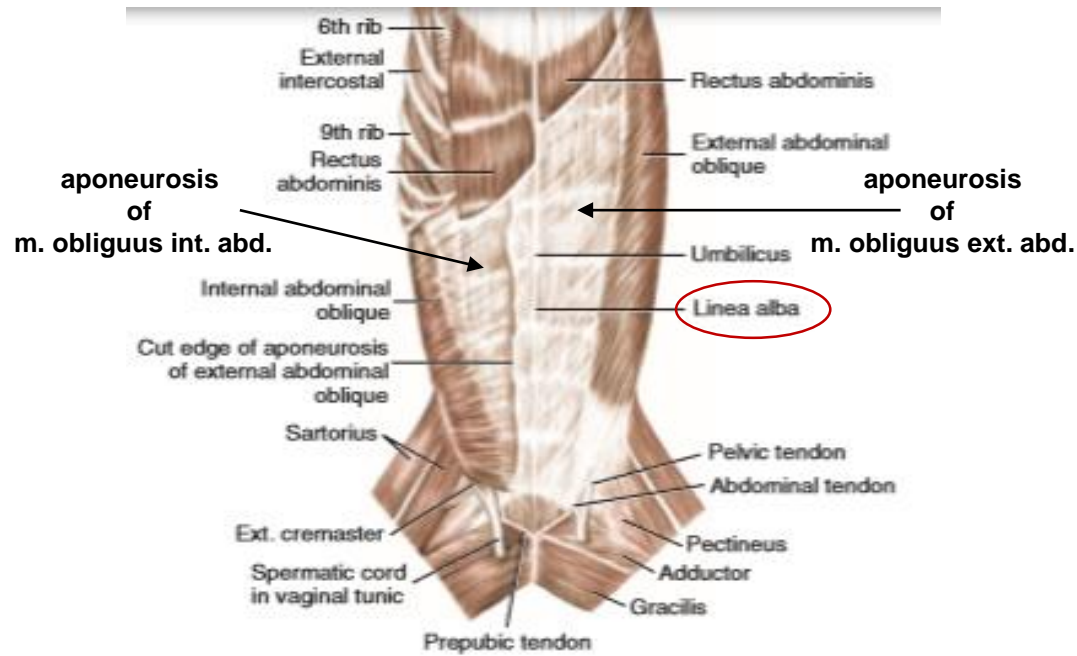
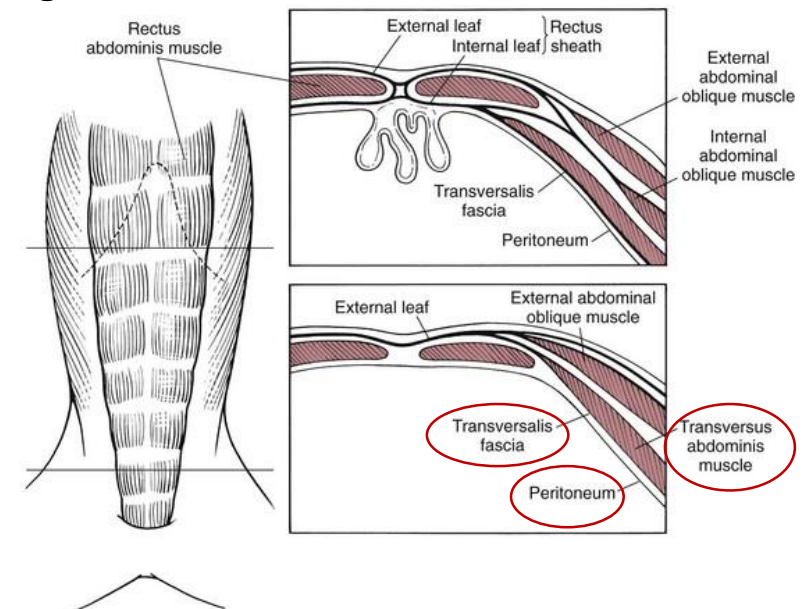


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FASCIA ABDOMINIS TRANSVERSA:

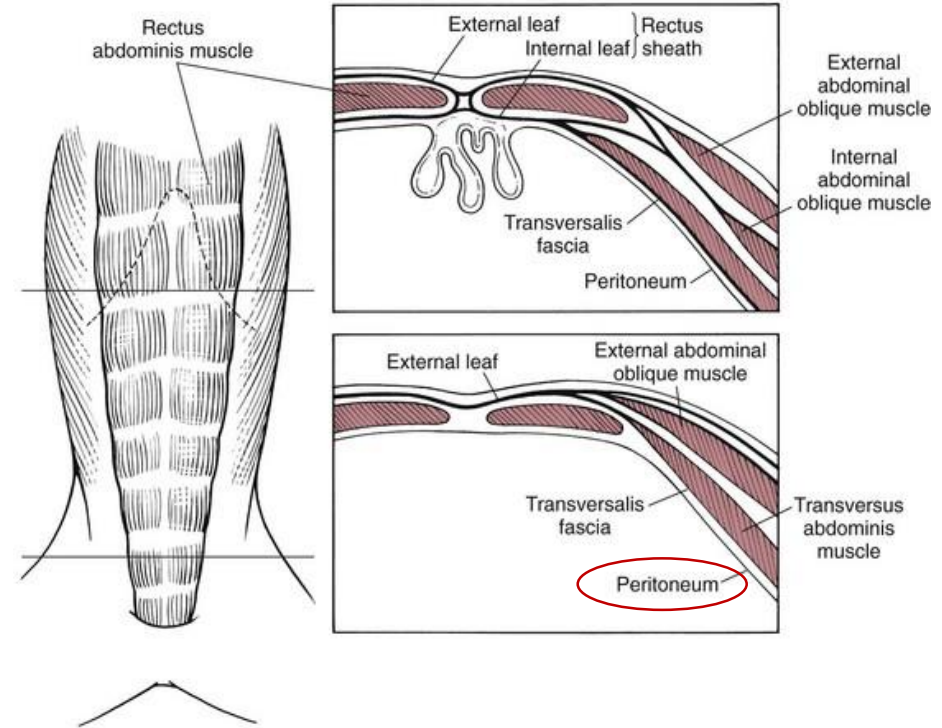
- a thin aponeurotic membrane
- lies between the inner surface of the transverse abdominal muscle and the parietal peritoneum
- forms part of the general layer of fascia lining the abdominal wall
- directly continuous with the iliac fascia, internal spermatic, and pelvic fasciae
- the spermatic cord in the male, the round ligament of the uterus in the female pass through the transverse fascia at the deep inguinal ring the entrance to the inguinal canal
- in the male the transverse fascia extends downwards as the internal spermatic fascia



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PERITONEUM :

- is the serous membrane
- forms the lining of the abdominal cavity
- covers most of the intra-abdominal organs
- composed of a layer of mesothelium
- supported by a thin layer of connective tissue
- supports many of the abdominal organs
- conducts blood vessels, lymphatic vessels, and nerves



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PERITONEUM:

- the peritoneum is one continuous sheet
- two layers and a potential space between them: the peritoneal cavity

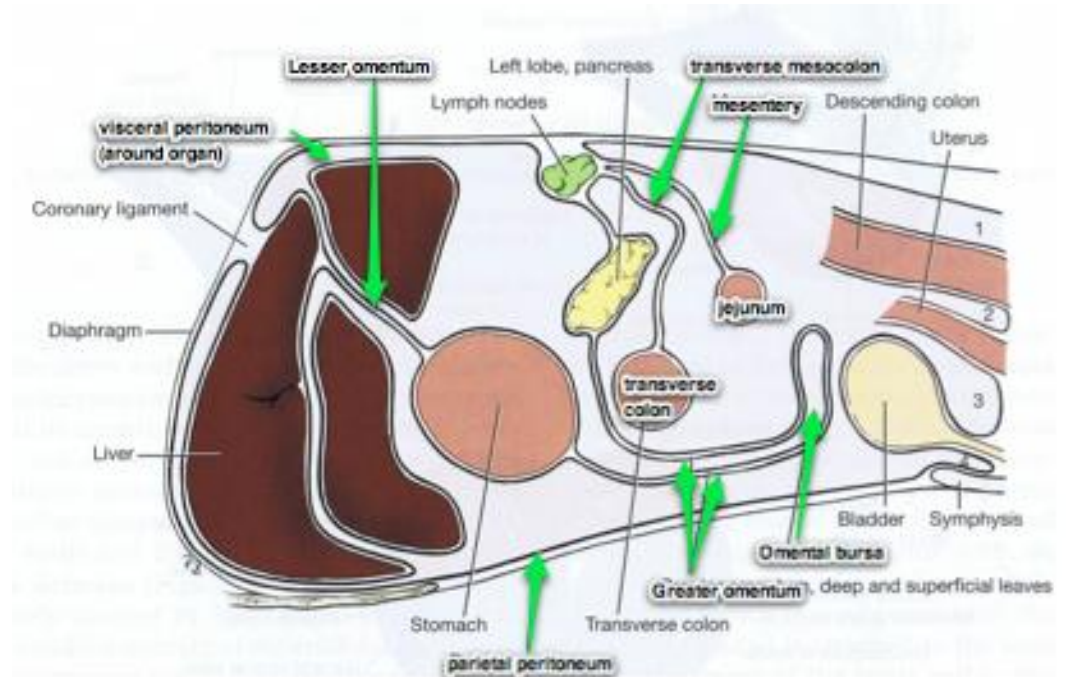
LAYERS OF PERITONEUM:

1. the outer layer, the parietal peritoneum:

- is attached to the abdominal wall and the pelvic walls

2. the inner layer, the visceral peritoneum

- wrapped around the visceral organs



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FOUR REGIONS OF RECTUS SHEET:

from lateral to medial order:

1. THORACIC REGION

2. PREUMBILICAL REGION

3. UMBILICAL REGION

4. POSTUMBILICAL REGION

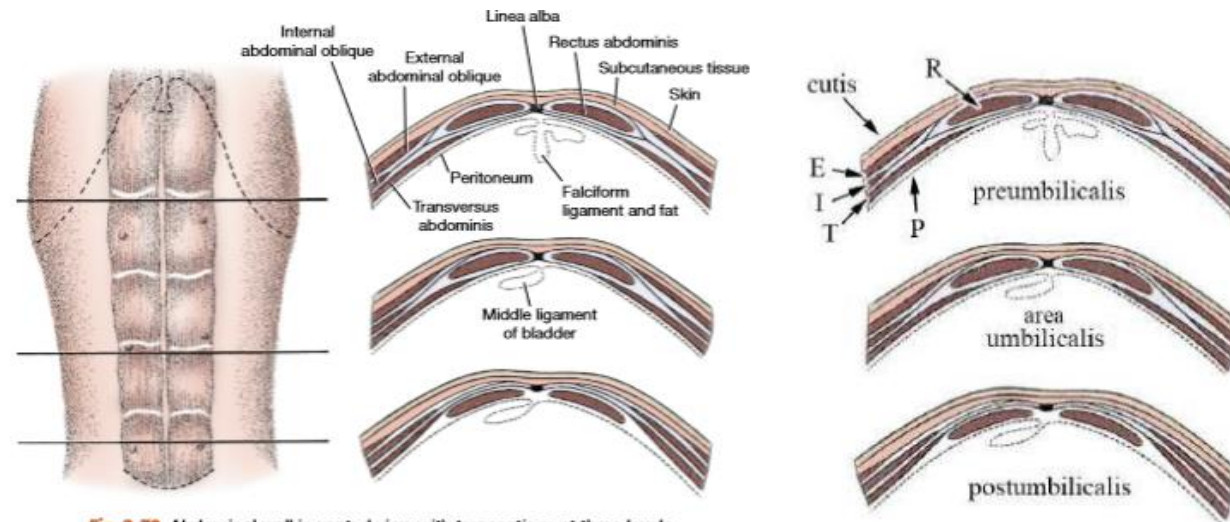
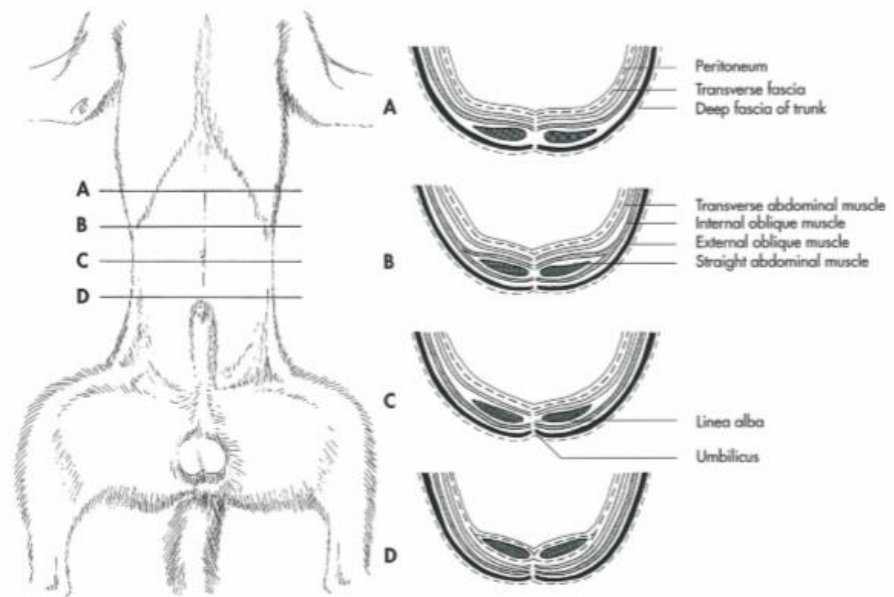


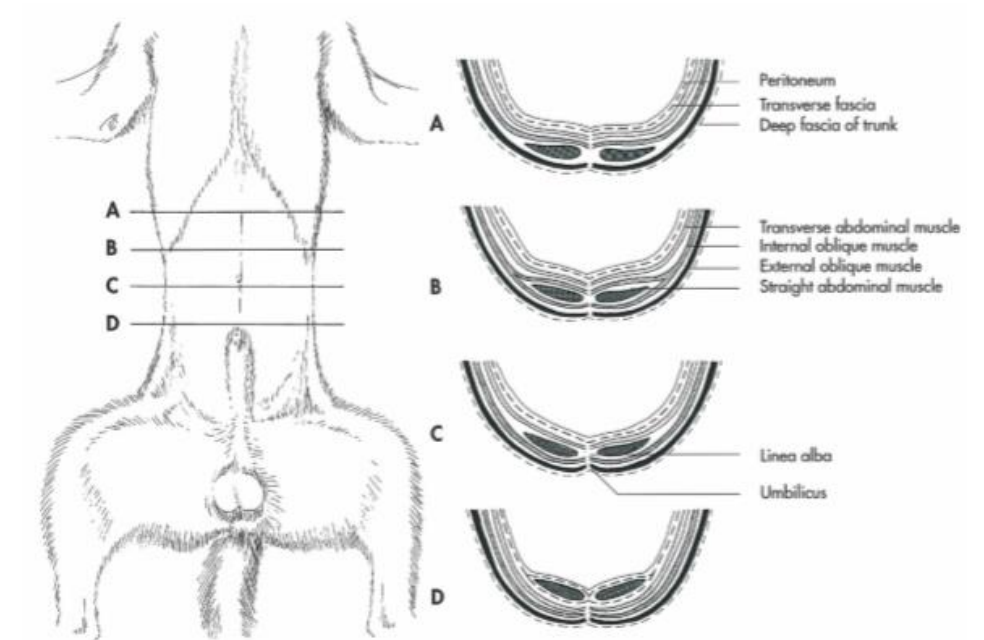
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1. THORACIC REGION OF RECTUS SHEET

formed by:

- a. m. obliquus externus abdominis
- b. m. rectus abdominis
- c. thoracic wall

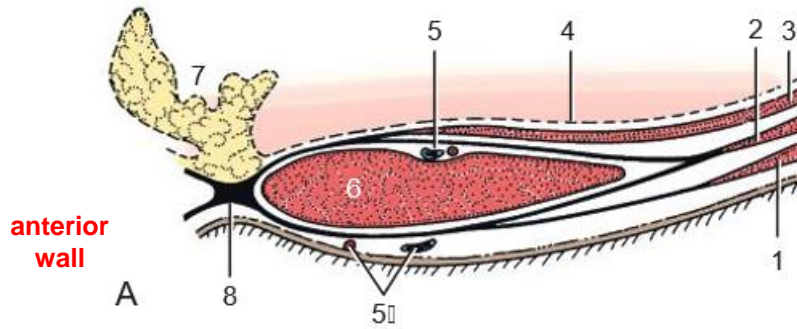


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2. PREUMBILICAL REGION OF RECTUS SHEET:

formed by:

- m. obliquus externus abdominis*
- m. obliquus internus abdominis* outer layer
- m. rectus abdominis*
- m. obliquus internus abdominis* inner layer
- m. transversus abdominis*
- fascia transversa abdominis*
- peritoneum parietalis*



- External abdominal oblique
- Internal abdominal oblique
- Transversus abdominis
- Peritoneum
- Cranial epigastric vessels
- Rectus abdominis
- Fat-filled falciform ligament
- Linea alba
- Caudal epigastric vessels
- Caudal superficial epigastric vessels
- Internal lamina of the rectus sheath
- External lamina of the rectus sheath
- Skin
- Median ligament of the bladder

Note: Transverse sections taken cranial (A) and caudal (B) to the umbilicus and near the pubis (C).

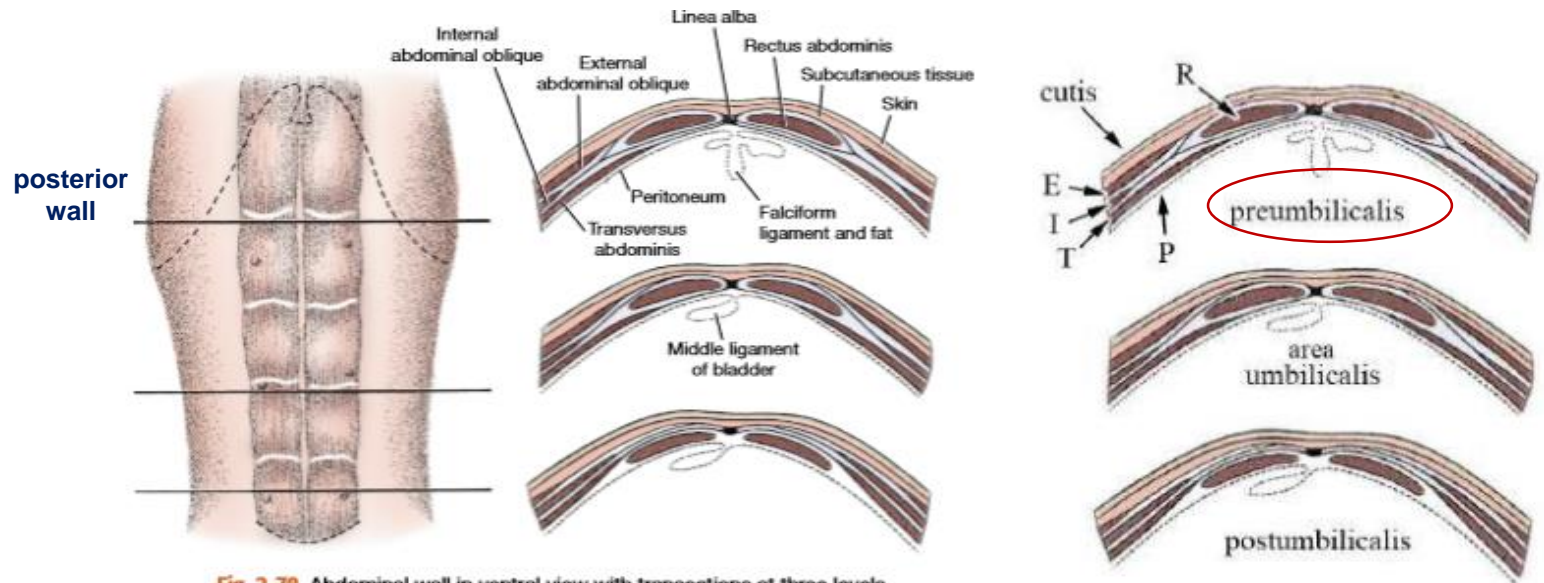


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3. UMBILICAL REGION OF RECTUS SHEET:

formed by:

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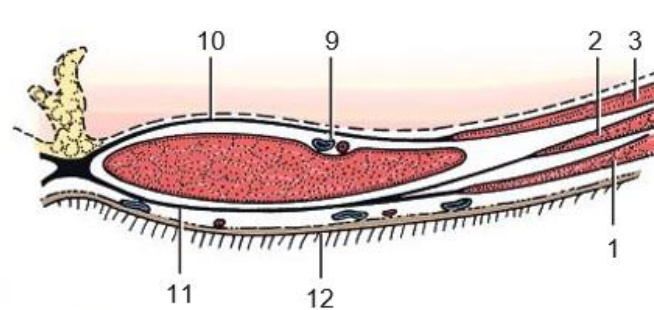
b. m. obliquus internus abdominis outer and inner layer

c. m. rectus abdominis

d. m. transversus abdominis

e. fascia transversa abdominis

f. peritoneum parietalis



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3. Transversus abdominis
4. Peritoneum
5. Cranial epigastric vessels
- 5'. Cranial superficial epigastric vessels
6. Rectus abdominis
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B
anterior wall

posterior wall

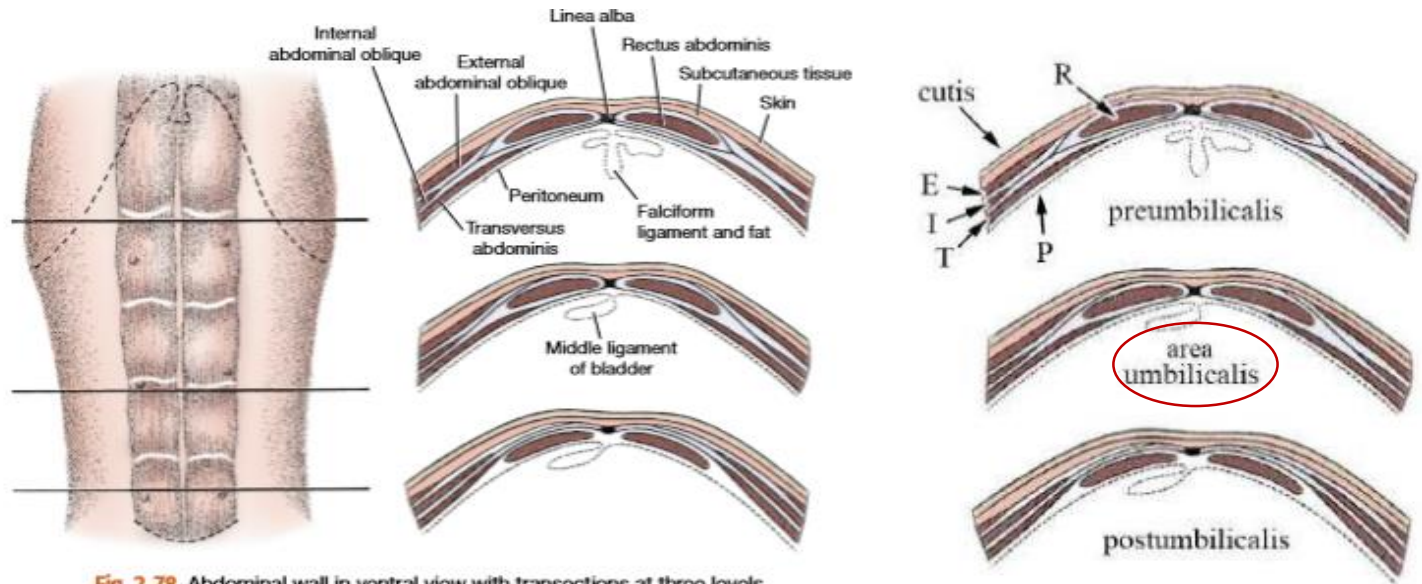


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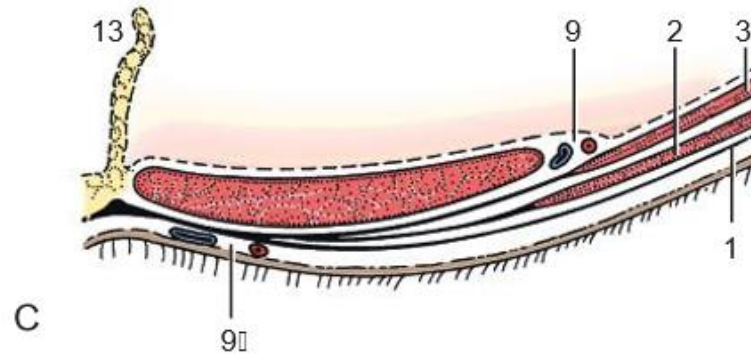
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4. POSTUMBILICAL REGION OF RECTUS SHEATH:

- a. m. obliquus extrenus abdominis
- b. m. obliquus internus abdominis
- c. m. transversus abdominis
- d. m. rectus abdominis
- e. fascia transversa abdominis
- f. peritoneum parietalis

anterior wall

posterior wall



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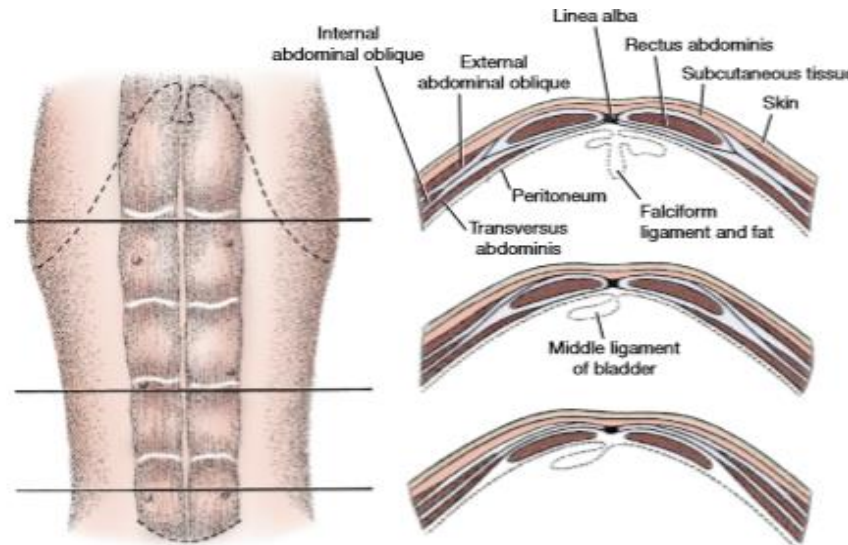
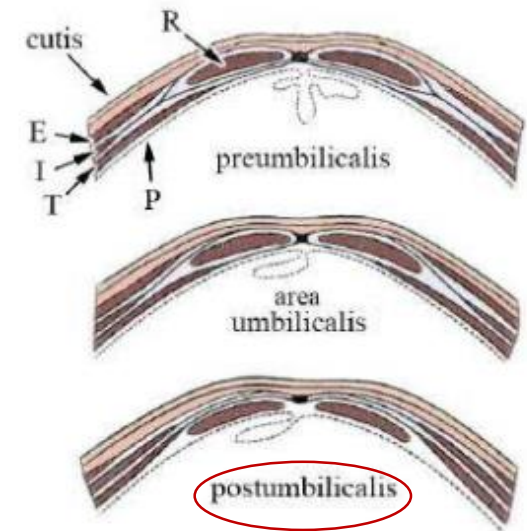


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LINEA ALBA:

- white line
- fibrous structure
- runs down the midline of the abdomen
- runs from the xyphoid process to the pubic symphysis
- formed by the fusion of the aponeuroses of the abdominal muscles
- separates the left and right rectus abdominis muscles
- it consists of mostly connective tissue
- does not contain any primary nerves or blood vessels - a *median incision* through the linea alba is a common surgical approach

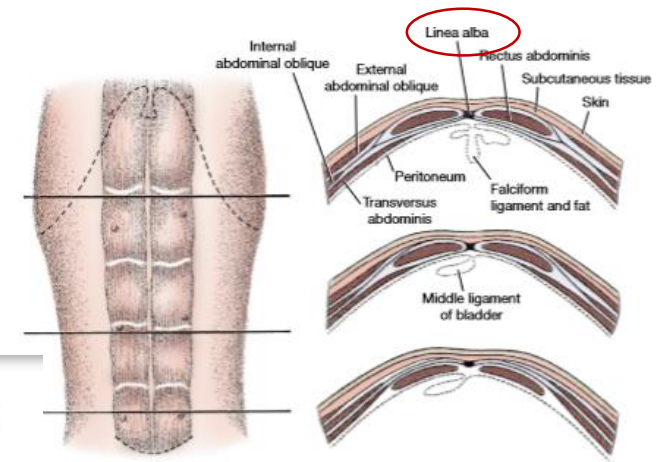
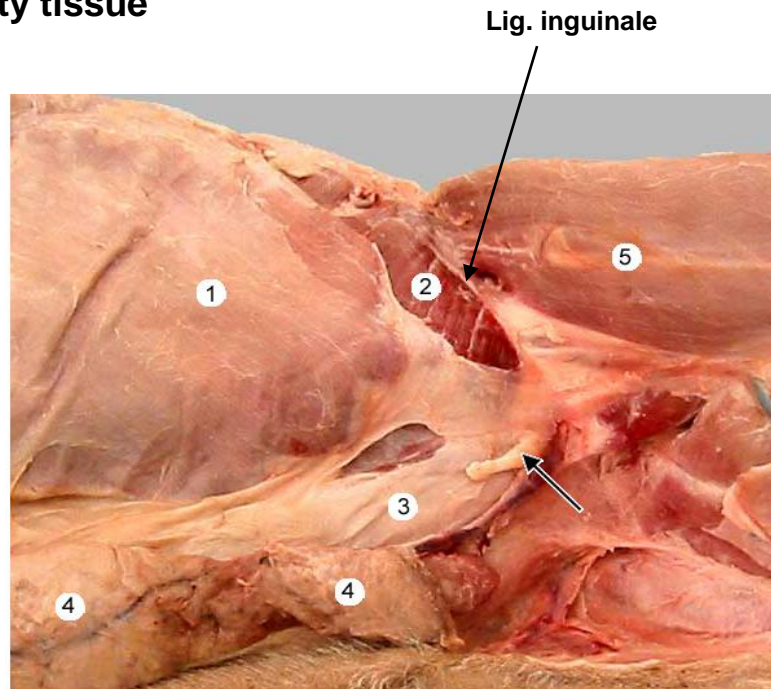
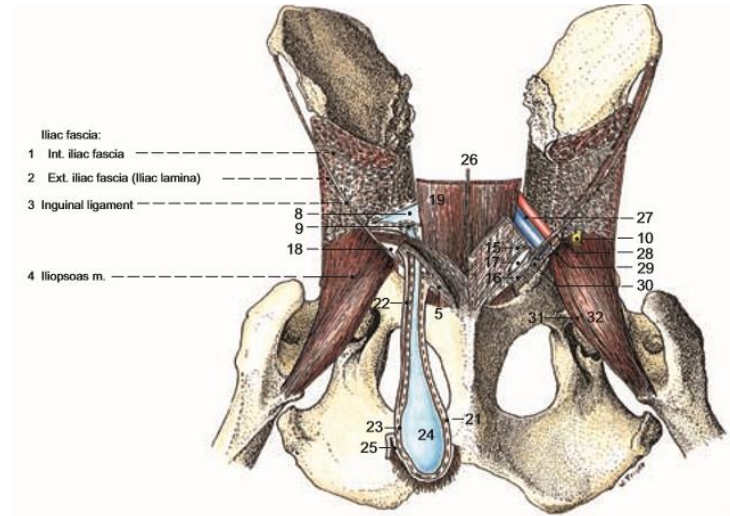


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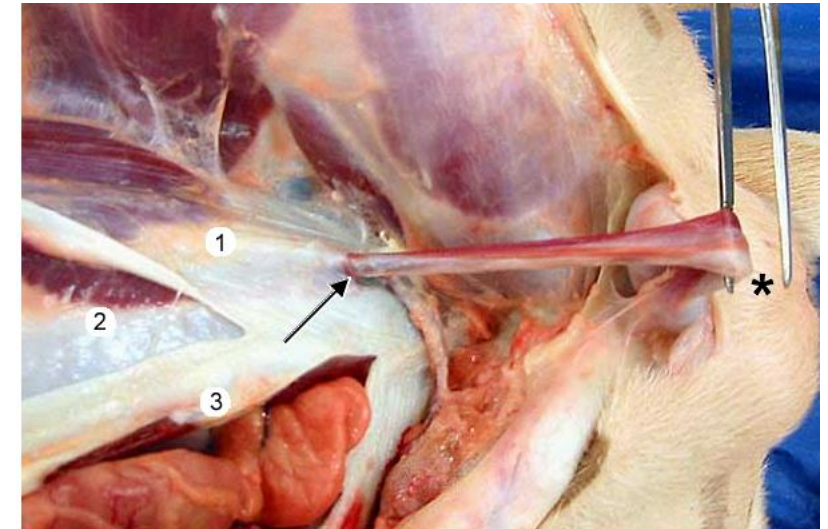
CANALIS INGUINALIS:

- two passages in the anterior abdominal wall
 - a) in male dog convey the spermatic cords
 - b) in female dog processus vaginalis – fatty tissue
- situated just above the inguinal ligament



In females, a fat-filled vaginal process (arrow) exits the inguinal canal. Identify the external abdominal oblique m. (1), internal abdominal oblique m. (2), the ensheathed rectus abdominis m. (3), mammary tissue (4) and the sartorius m. (5).

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The spermatic cord (along with external pudendal vessels) can be seen emerging from the superficial inguinal ring (arrow), which is an opening in the aponeurosis of the external abdominal oblique m. (1). The spermatic cord proceeds to the scrotum (asterisk). Also, identify the internal abdominal oblique m. (2) and the incised rectus abdominis m. (3).

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CANALIS INGUINALIS:

1. anterior wall

2. inferior wall ("floor")

4. superior wall ("roof")

4. posterior wall

5. inner opening (deep ring)

6. outer opening (superficial ring)

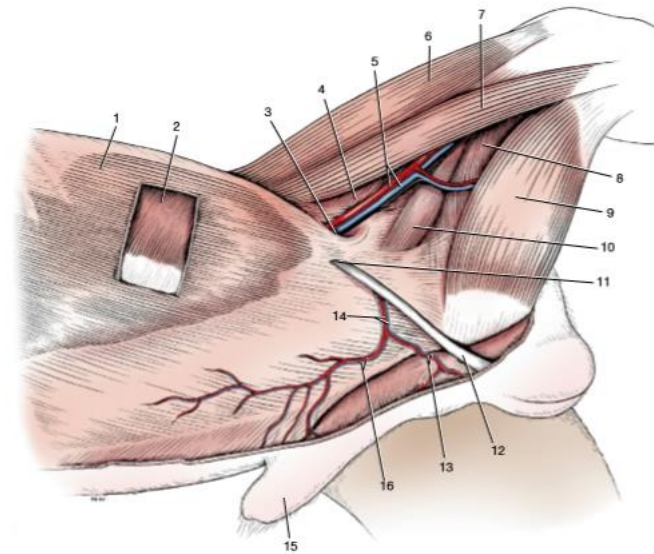


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2. Internal abdominal oblique	10. Pectineus
3. Vascular lacuna	11. Superficial inguinal ring
4. Vastus medialis	12. Parietal vaginal tunic
5. Femoral artery and vein in femoral triangle	13. Cranial scrotal artery and vein
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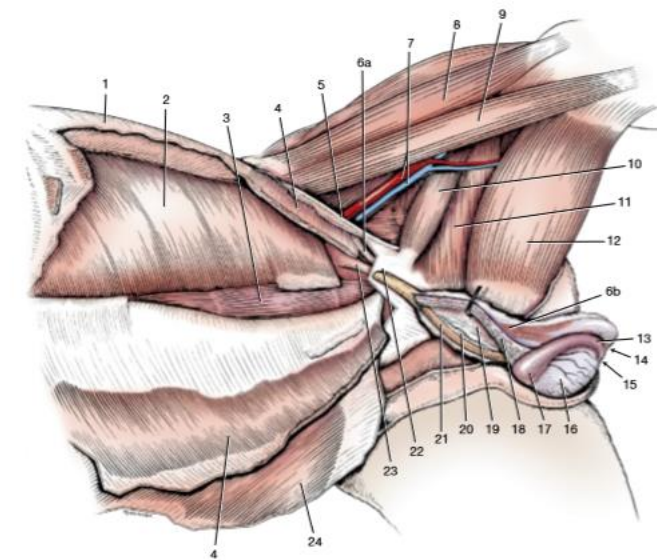
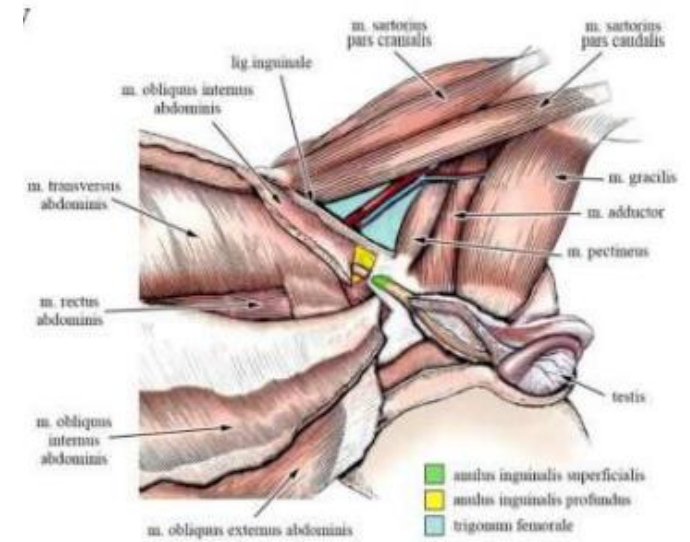


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11. Adductor	23. Parietal vaginal tunic in the inguinal canal
	24. External abdominal oblique (reflected)

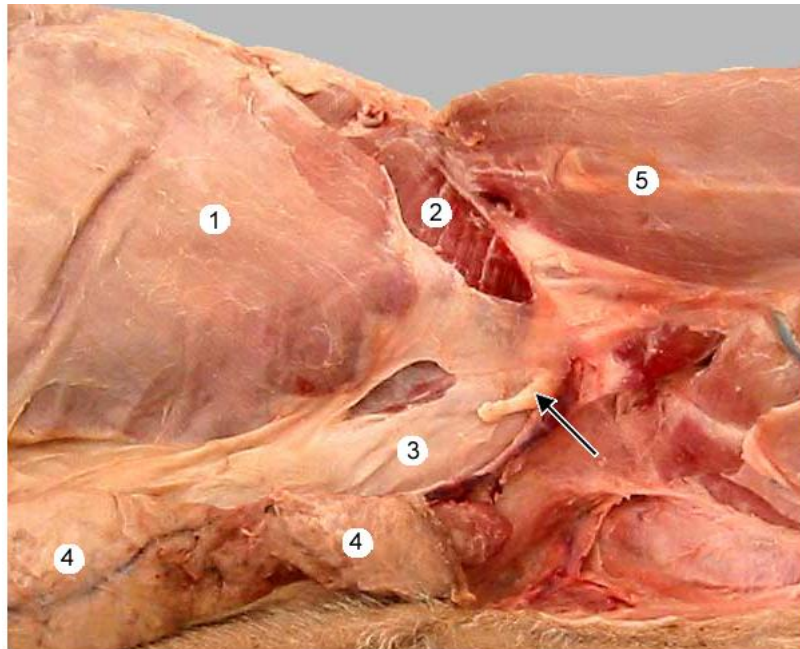
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CANALIS INGUINALIS:

1. anterior wall:

a) aponeurosis of external oblique muscle

b) superficial inguinal ring



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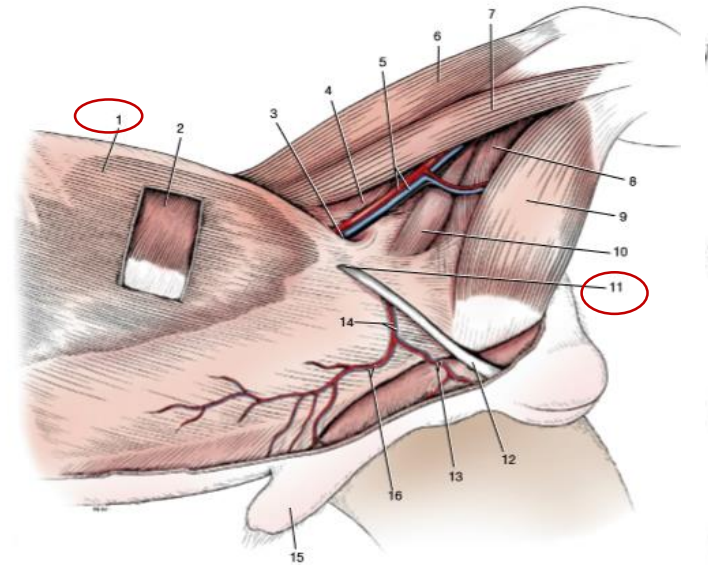
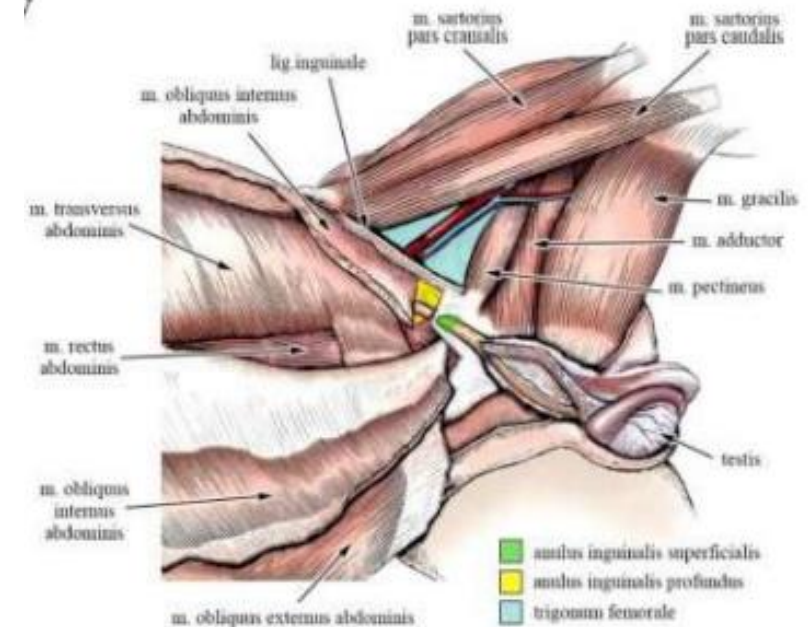


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CANALIS INGUINALIS:

2. inferior wall ("floor")

a. inguinal ligament

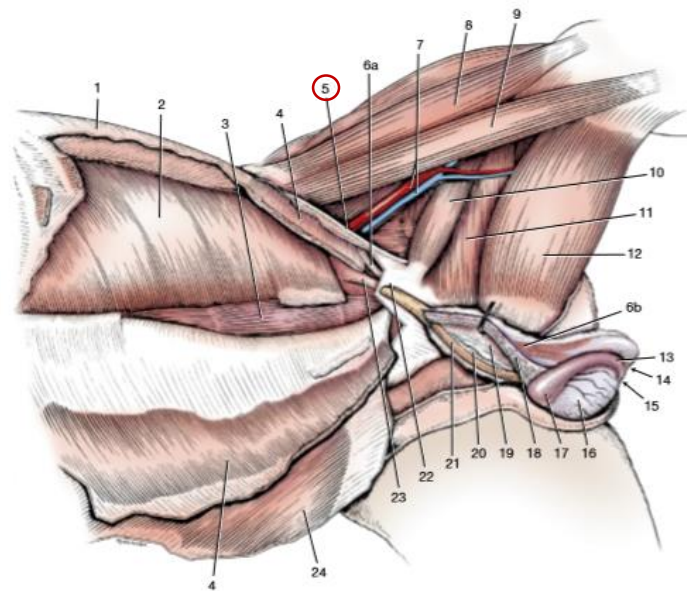
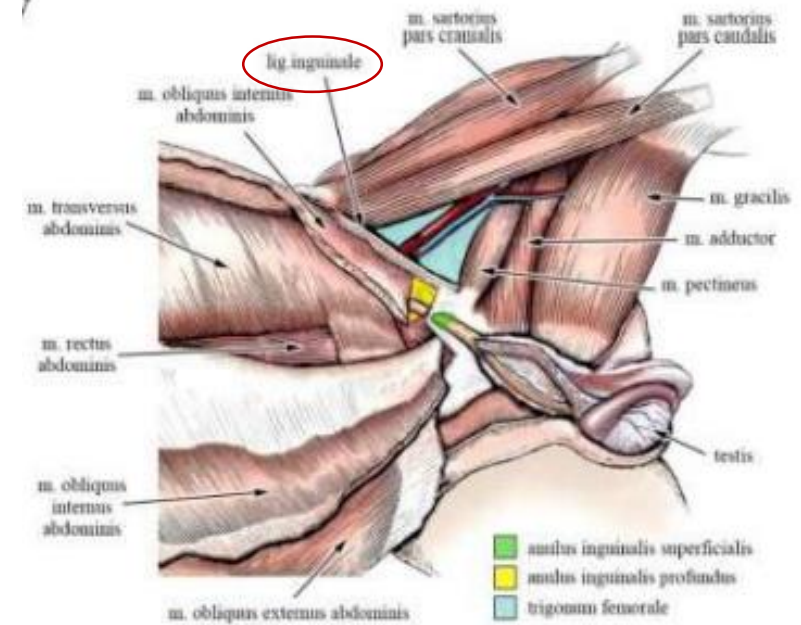


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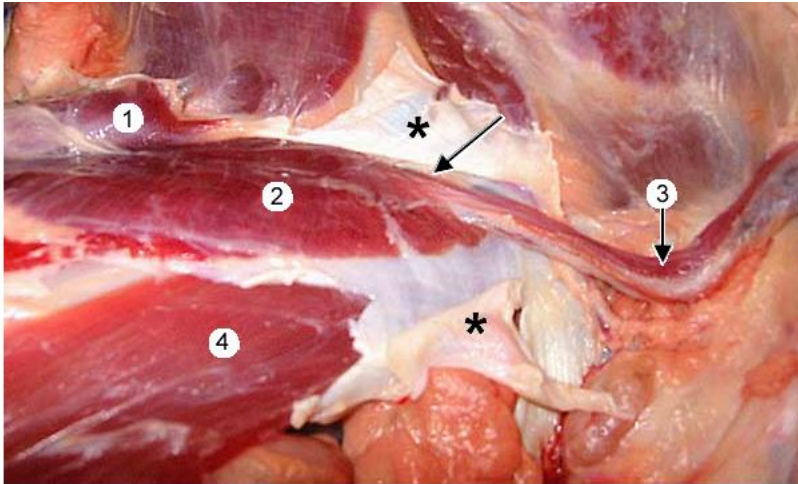
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CANALIS INGUINALIS:

3. superior wall ("roof"):

a. medial crus of aponeurosis of external oblique muscle

b. musculoaponeurotic arches of internal oblique and transverse abdominal muscle



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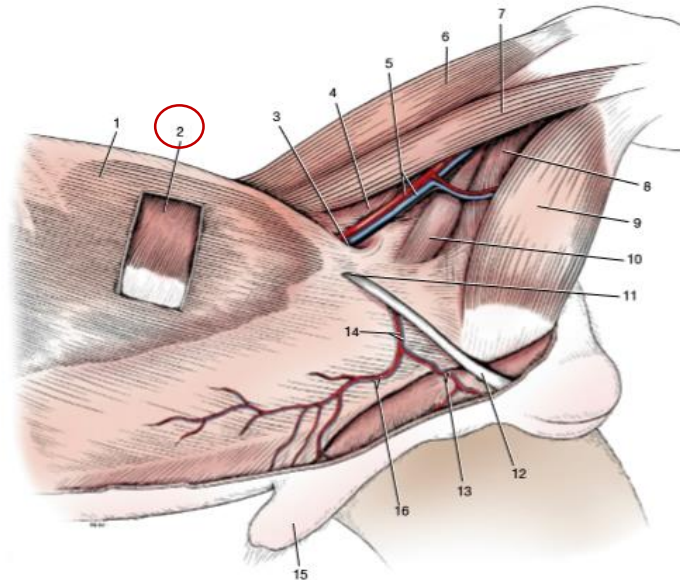


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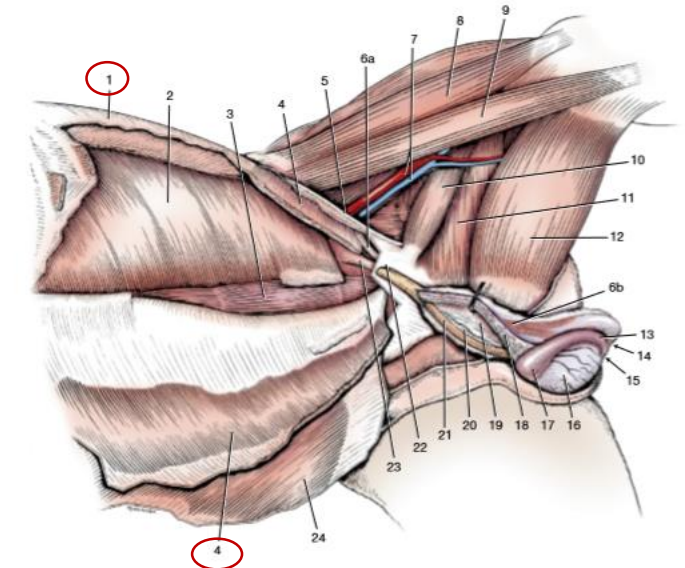


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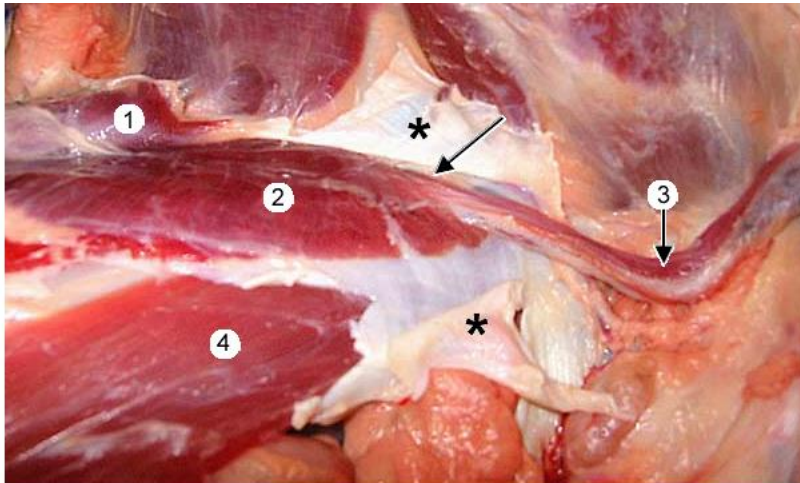
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CANALIS INGUINALIS:

4. posterior wall:

- a. fascia transversa abdominis
- b. peritoneum
- c. deep inguinal ring



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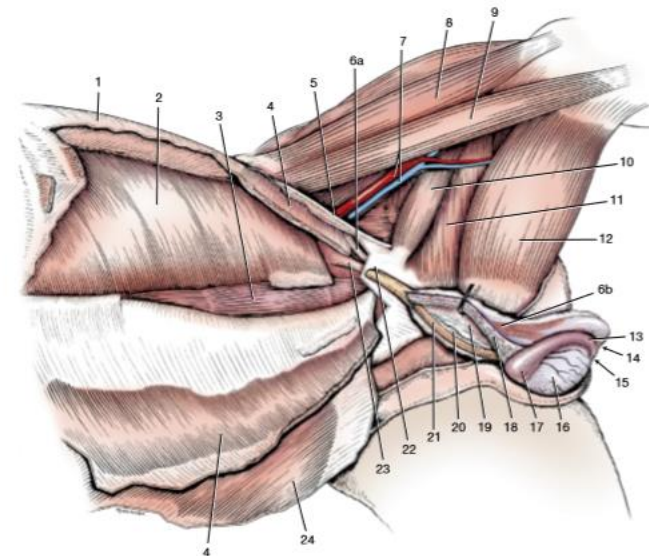
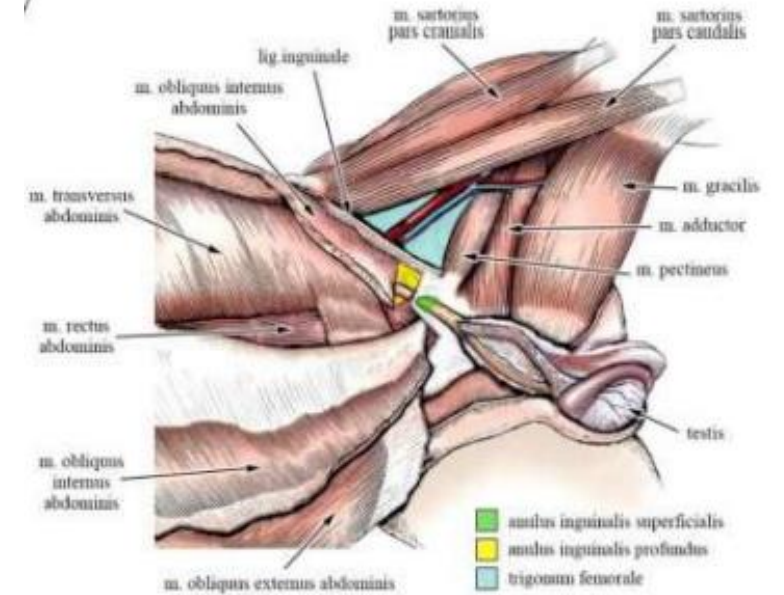


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- anulus inguinalis superficialis
- anulus inguinalis profundus
- trigonum femorale

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CANALIS INGUINALIS:

5. inner opening (deep ring, anulus inguinalis profundus):

bordered by:

- a) rostral: m. obliquus internus abdominis
- b) caudal: ligamentum inguinale
- c) medial: m. rectus abdominis

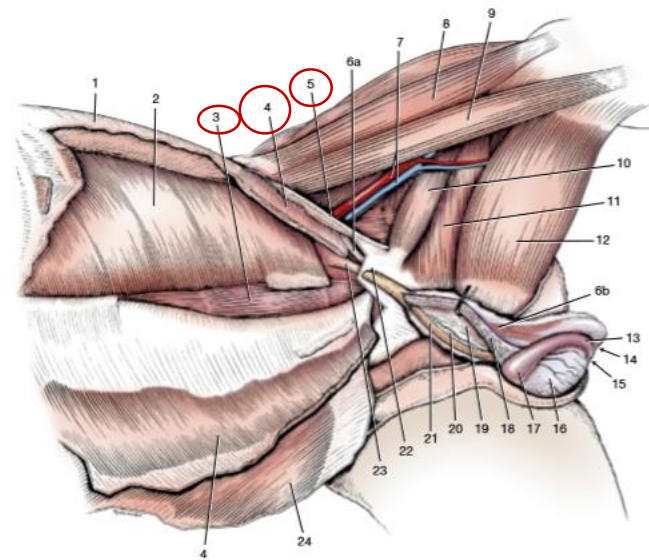
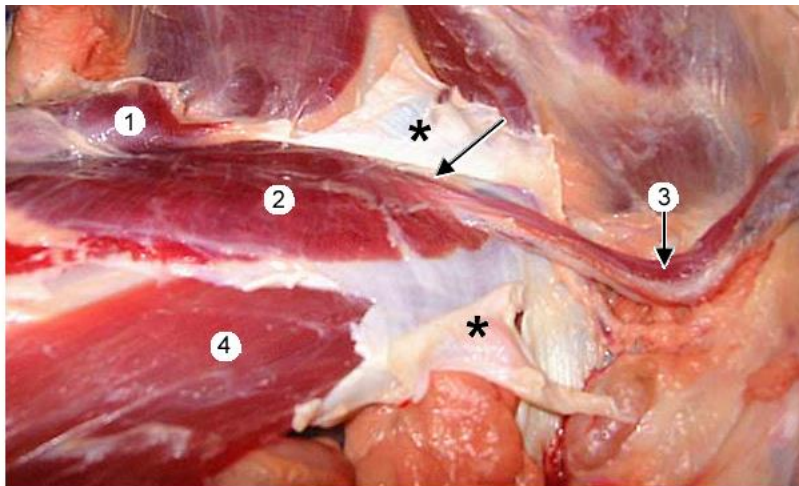
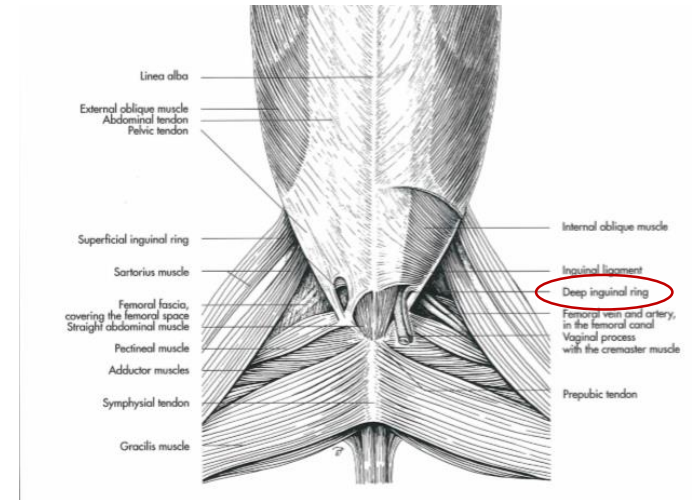
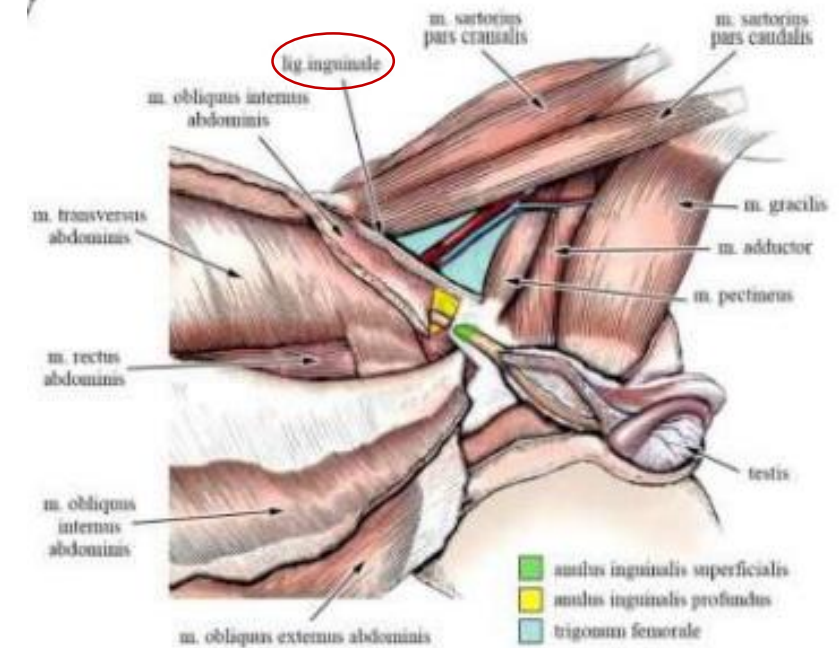


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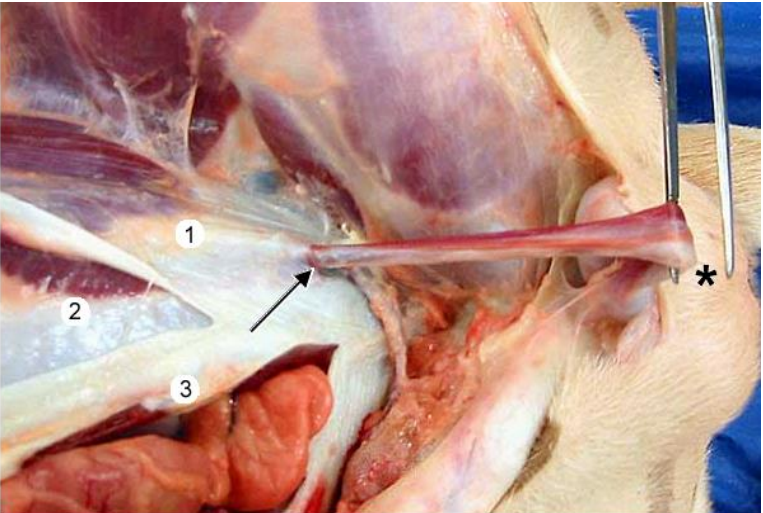
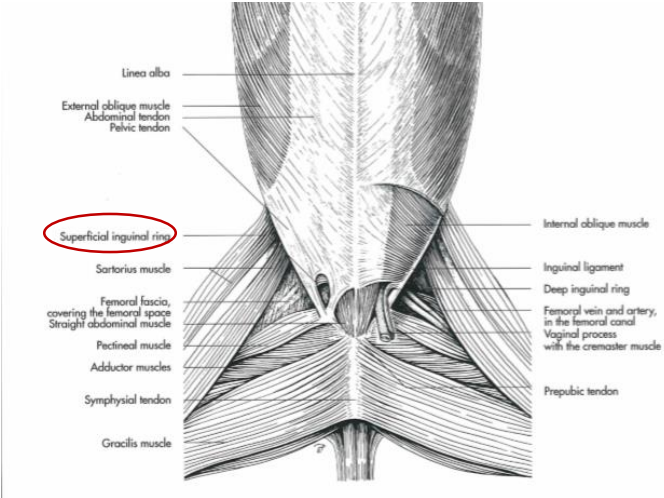
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CANALIS INGUINALIS:

6. outer opening (superficial ring, anulus inguinalis superficialis):

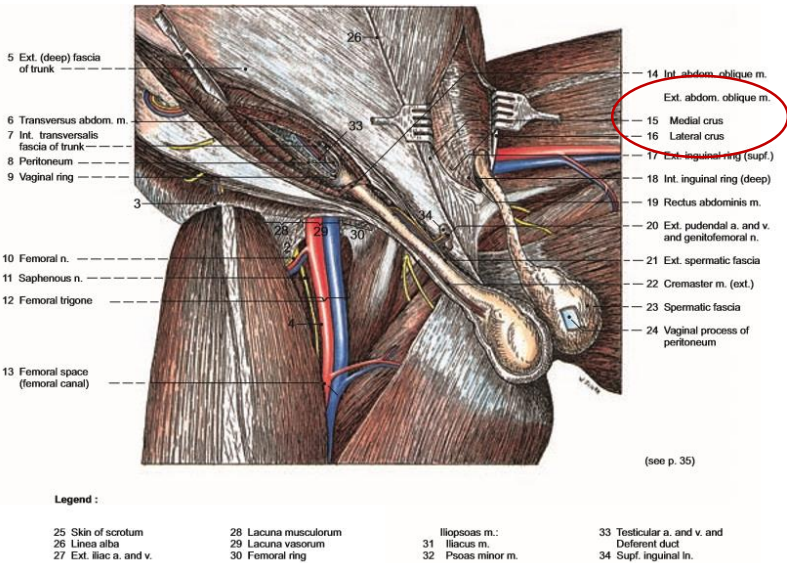
bordered by:

- a) crus mediale (lamina abdominalis)
- b) crus laterale (lamina pelvina) from m. obliquus extrenus abdominis

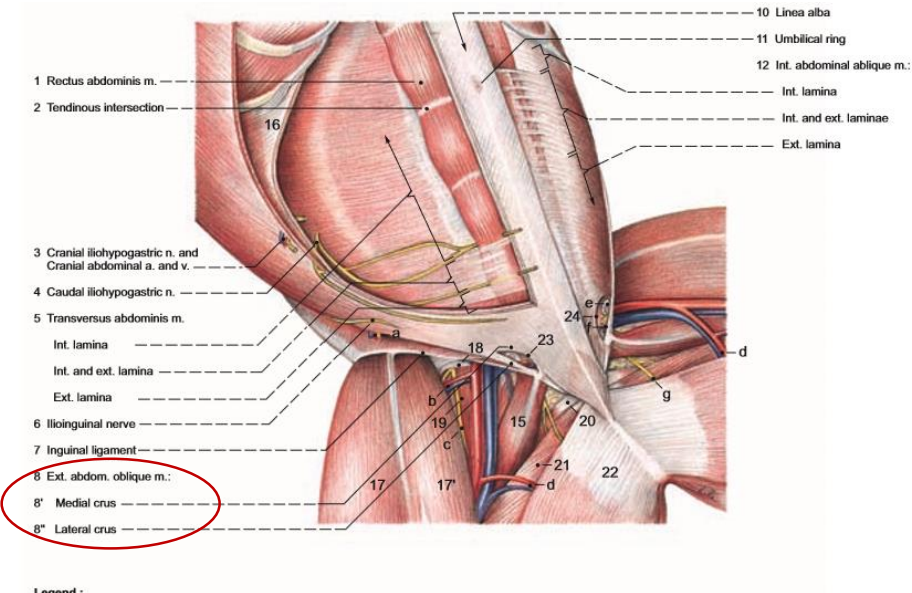


The spermatic cord (along with external pudendal vessels) can be seen emerging from the **superficial inguinal ring** (arrow), which is an opening in the aponeurosis of the external abdominal oblique m. (1). The spermatic cord proceeds to the scrotum (asterisk). Also, identify the internal abdominal oblique m. (2) and the incised rectus abdominis m. (3).

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- Legend :
- 25 Skin of scrotum
 - 26 Linea alba
 - 27 Ext. iliac a. and v.
 - 28 Lacuna musculorum
 - 29 Lacuna vasorum
 - 30 Femoral ring
 - 31 Iliopsoas m.: iliacus m.
 - 32 Psoas minor m.
 - 33 Testicular a. and v. and Deferent duct
 - 34 Supf. inguinal ln.



- Legend :
- Int. abdom. oblique m.:
 - 16 Costal tendon
 - Sartorius m.:
 - 17 Cranial part
 - 17' Caudal part
 - 18 Ext. iliac fascia
 - 19 Iliopsoas m.
 - 20 Adductor brevis m.
 - 21 Adductor magnus m.
 - 22 Gracilis m.
 - 23 Ext. inguinal ring (supf.)
 - 24 Int. inguinal ring (deep)
 - 25 Transversalis fascia of trunk and Peritoneum
 - a Lat. cutaneous femoral n. and deep circumflex iliac a. and v.
 - b Lat. circumflex femoral a. and v.
 - c Saphenous n.
 - d Prox. caud. femoral a. and v.
 - e Vaginal process of peritoneum and ext. cremaster m.
 - f Genitofemoral n. and ext. pudendal a. and v.
 - g Obturator nerve
 - h Femoral a., v. and n.
 - i Urinary bladder
 - j Prostate

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- the tendinous part of the abdominal muscles is larger

1. M. obliquus abdominis externus
2. M. obliquus abdominis internus
3. M. transversus abdominis
4. M. rectus abdominis

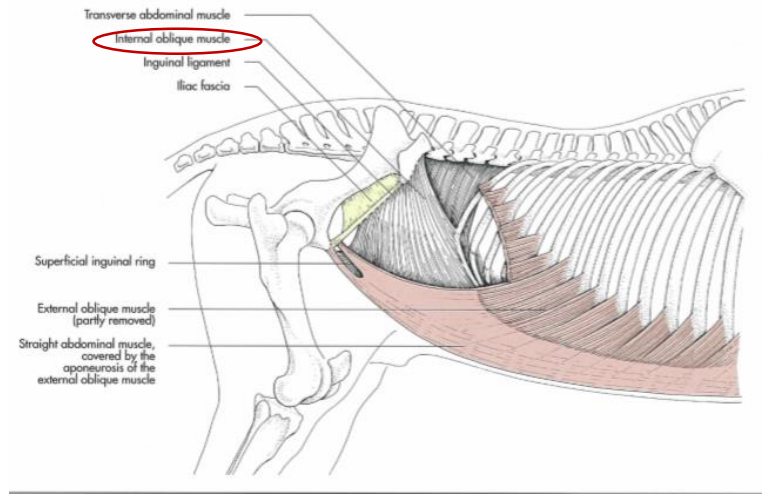
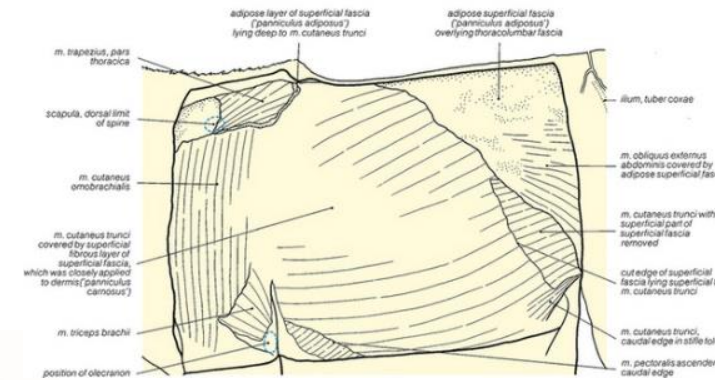
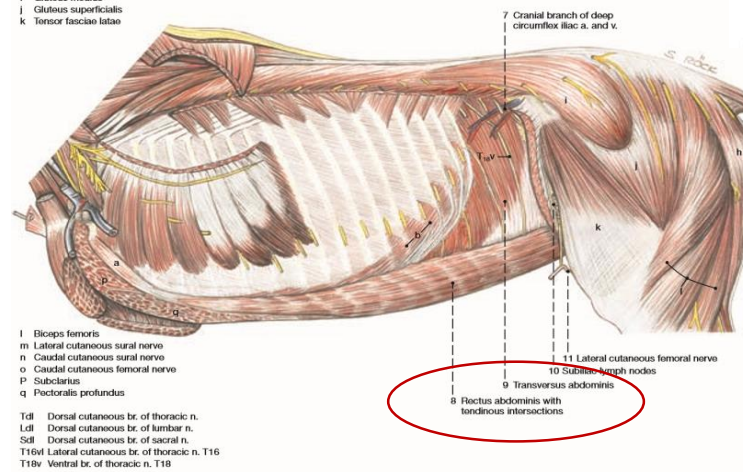
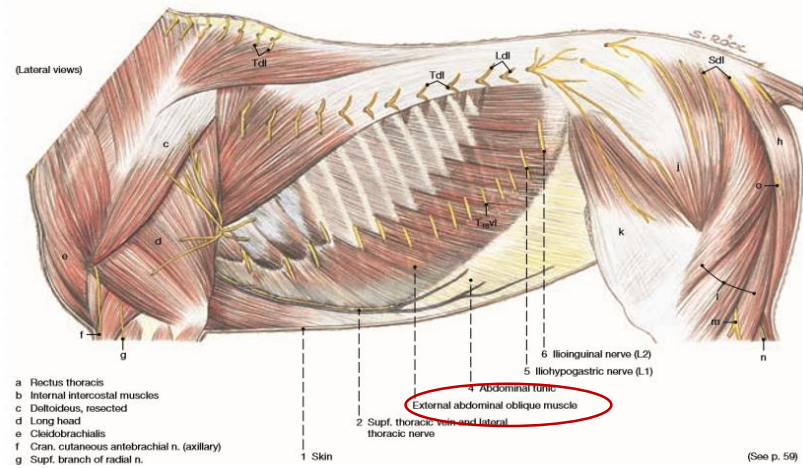


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1. M. obliquus abdominis externus:

a. Thoracic part:

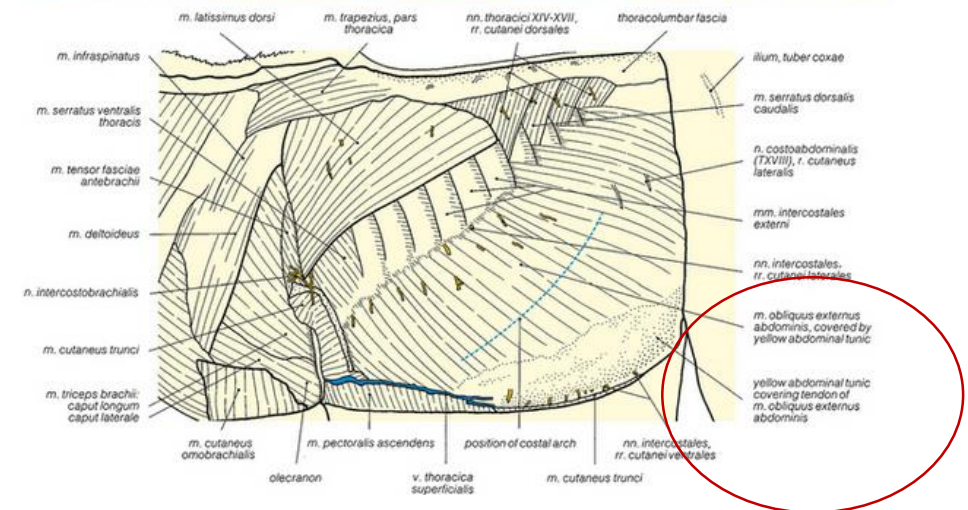
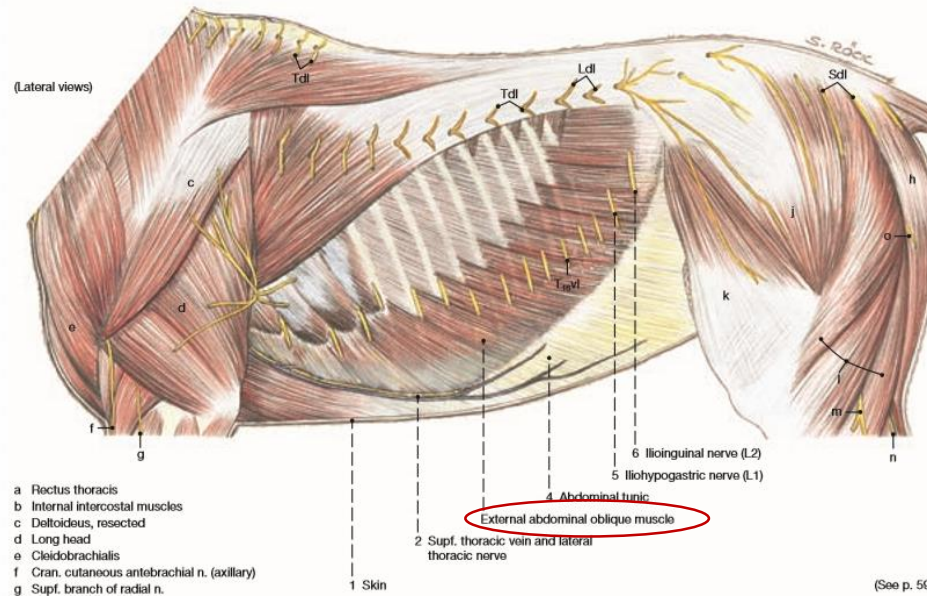
Origin: from 4th – to 18th ribs

b. Lumbar part:

Origin: from the last ribs

from the thoracolumbar fascia

Insertion: tuber coxae



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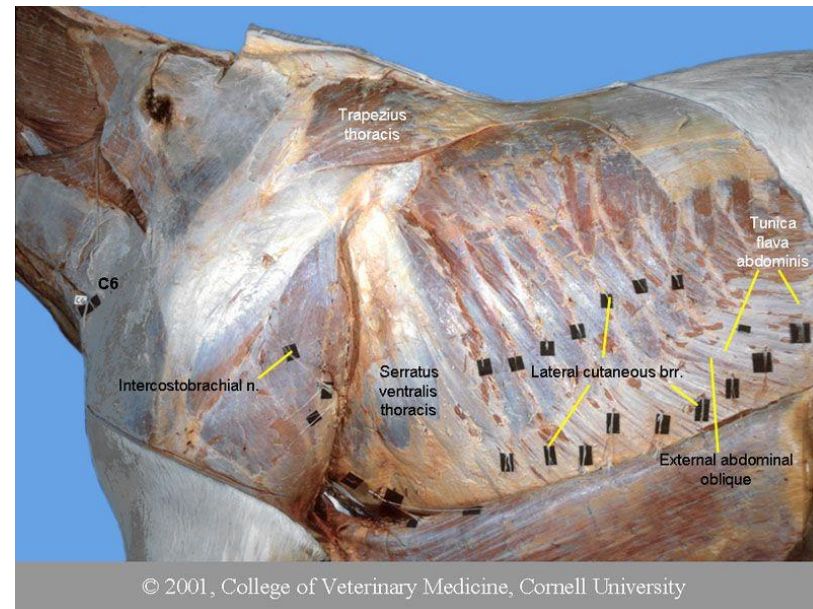
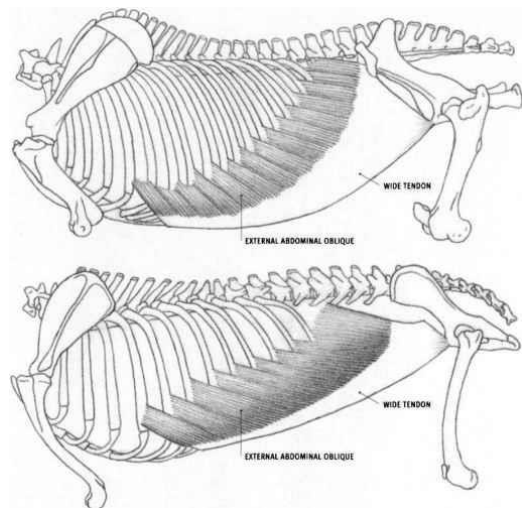
Abdominal tendon:

- reinforced by the tunica flava

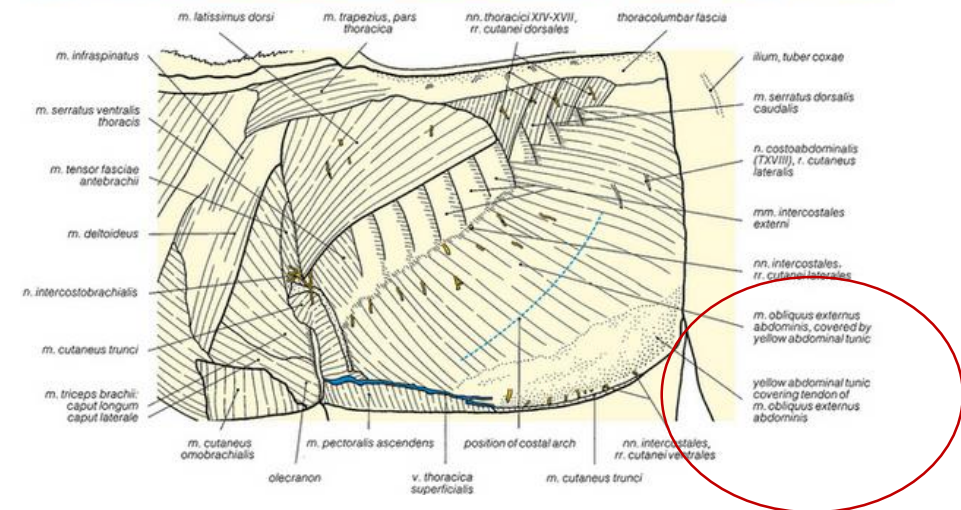
Insertion: a. along the linea alba

b. middle crus of the external inguinal ring

c. on the cranial pubic ligament



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2. M. obliquus abdominis internus:

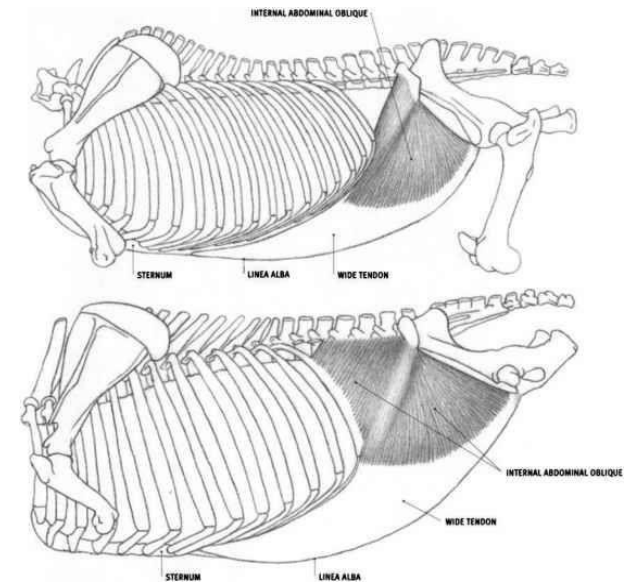
- fibers diverge in radial fashion

Origin: a. tuber coxae

b. inguinal ligament

Insertion: a. last rib

b. by individual tendons on the last four or five costal cartilage



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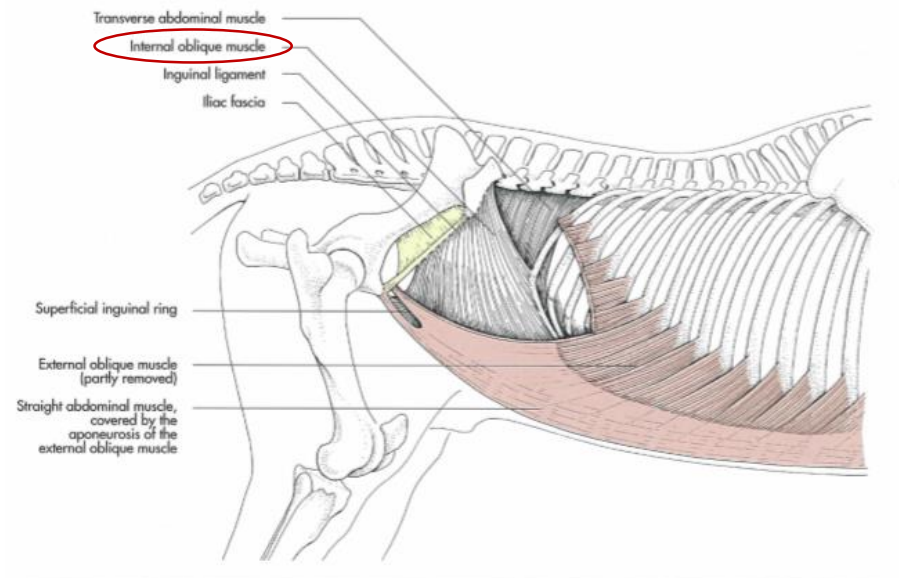
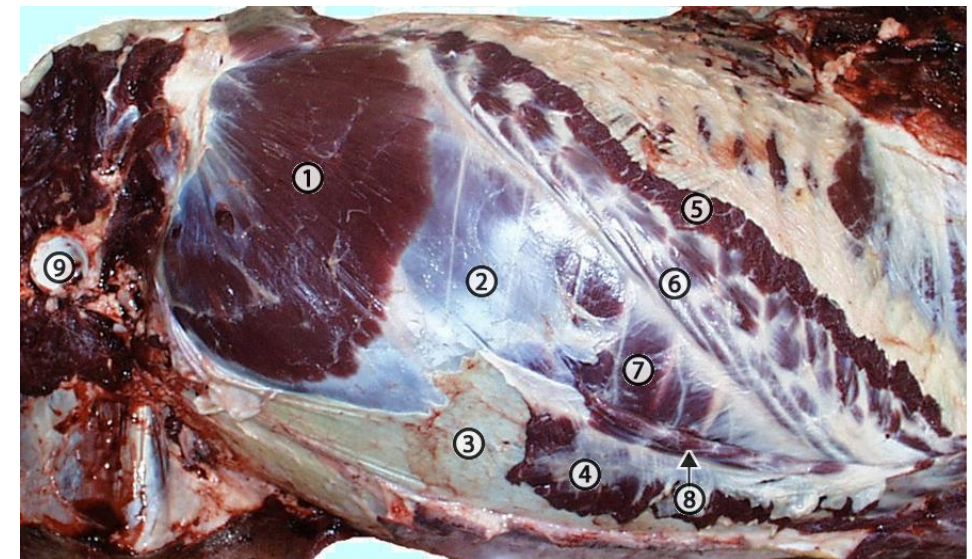


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Exposure of the internal oblique muscle (1) of a horse. 2, aponeurosis (sheet like tendon) of the internal abdominal oblique m.; 3, ext. abdominal oblique m. aponeurosis; 4, ext. abdominal oblique m. reflected; 5, cut edge of the ext. abdominal oblique m.; 6, costal arch; 7, transversus abdominis m. exposed through a hole in the int. oblique aponeurosis; 8, rectus abdominis m.; 9, acetabulum.

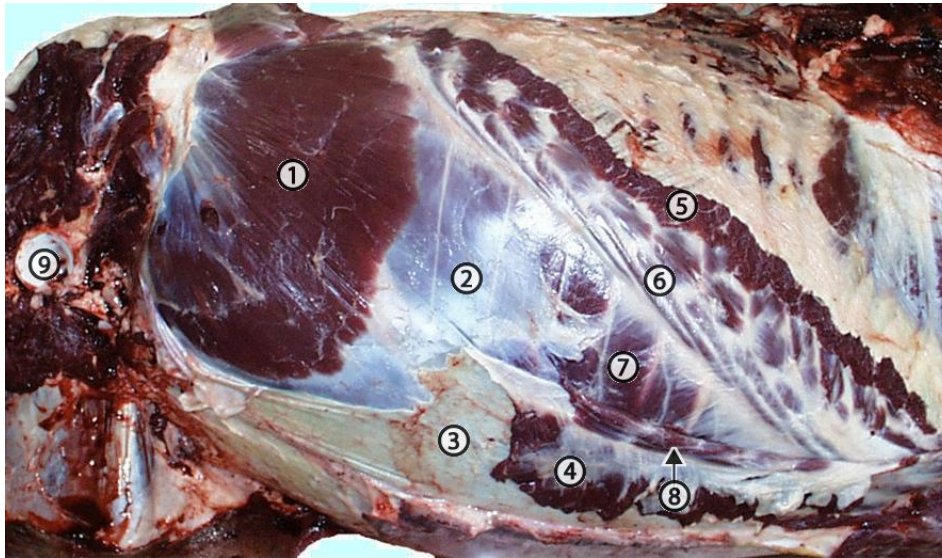
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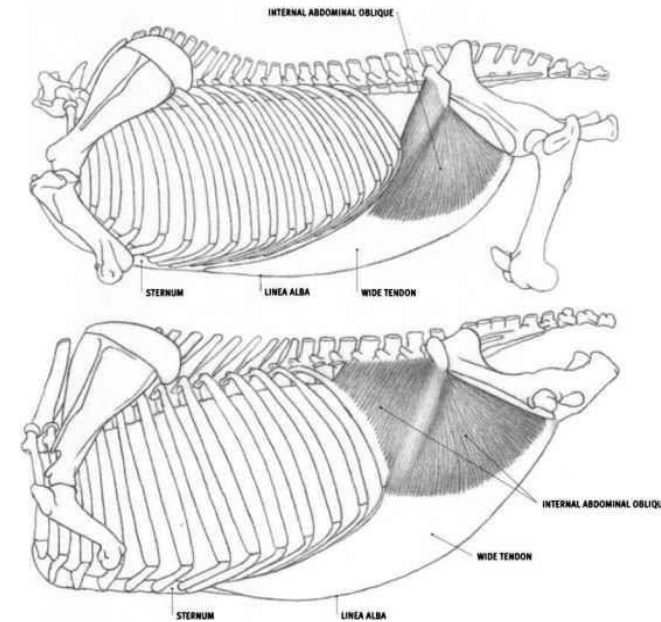
Abdominal part:

- becomes an aponeurosis at the level of the lateral border of the rectus abdominis muscle
- blends with the abdominal tendon of the external oblique muscle – to form the outer layer of the rectus sheath



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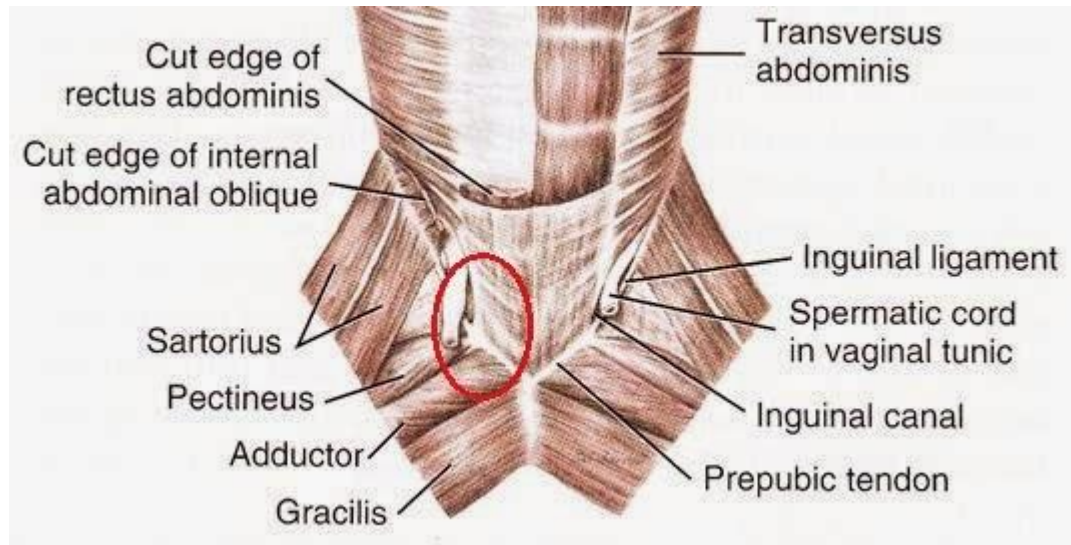
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2. M. obliquus abdominis internus:

In the inguinal region forms:

- the medial wall of the inguinal canal
- cranial border of the internal inguinal ring



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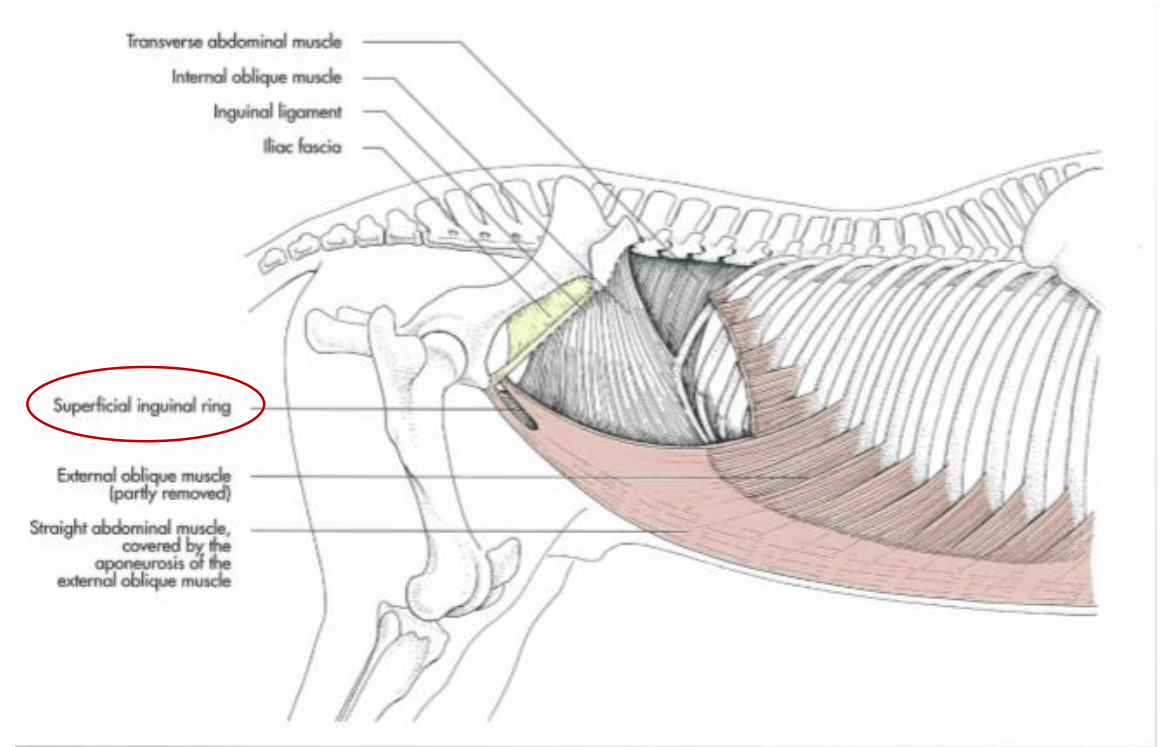


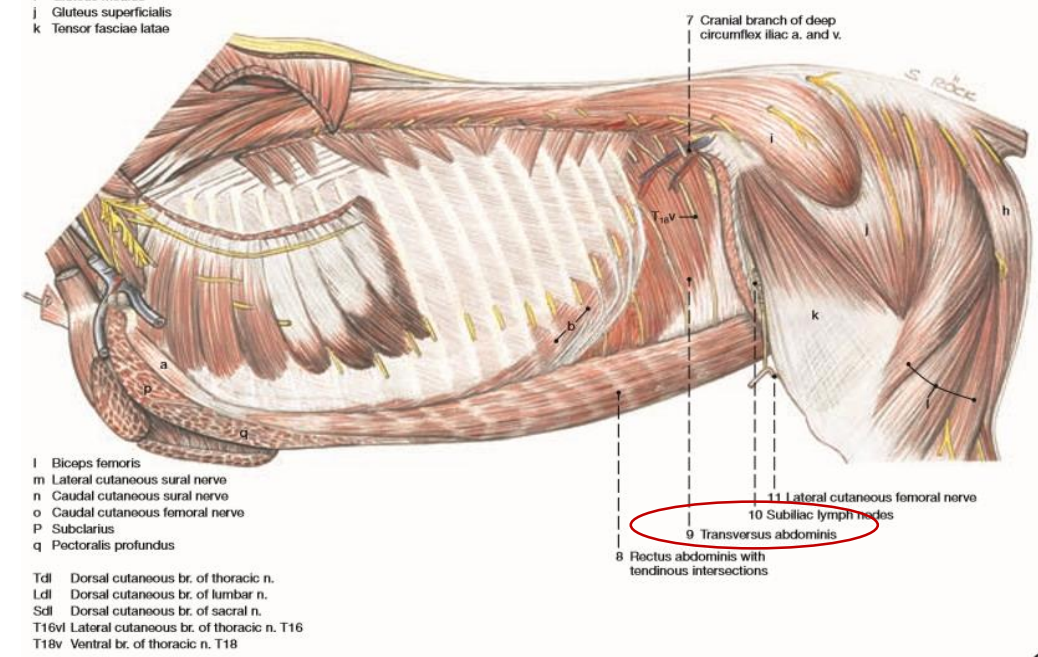
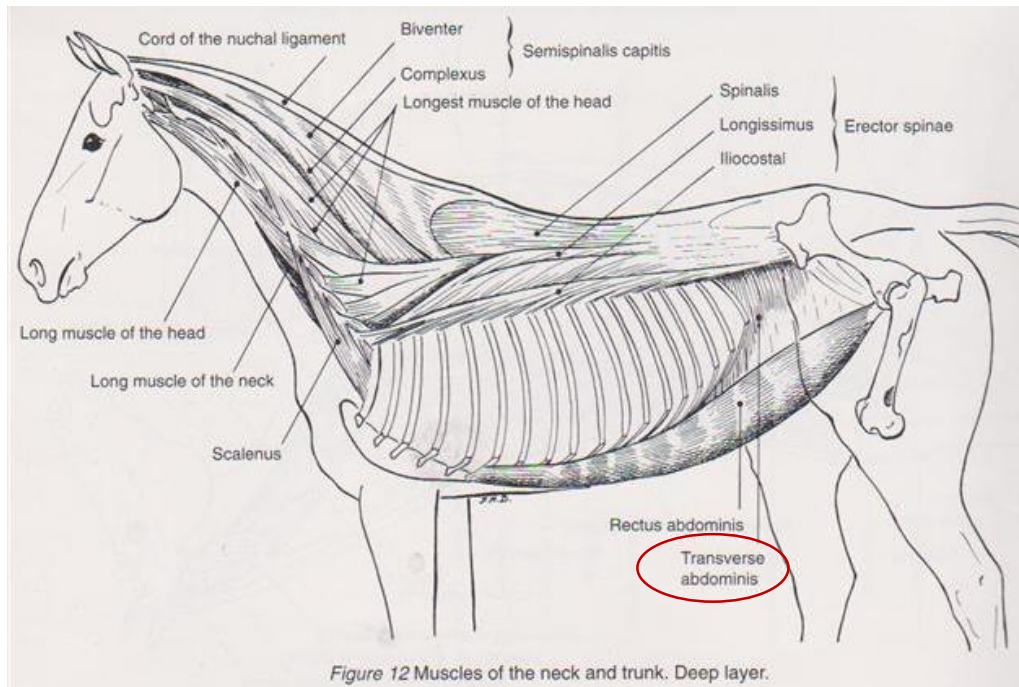
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3. M. transversus abdominis:

Origin: a. 2th – 13th last ribs

b. processus transversus of the lumbal vertebrea



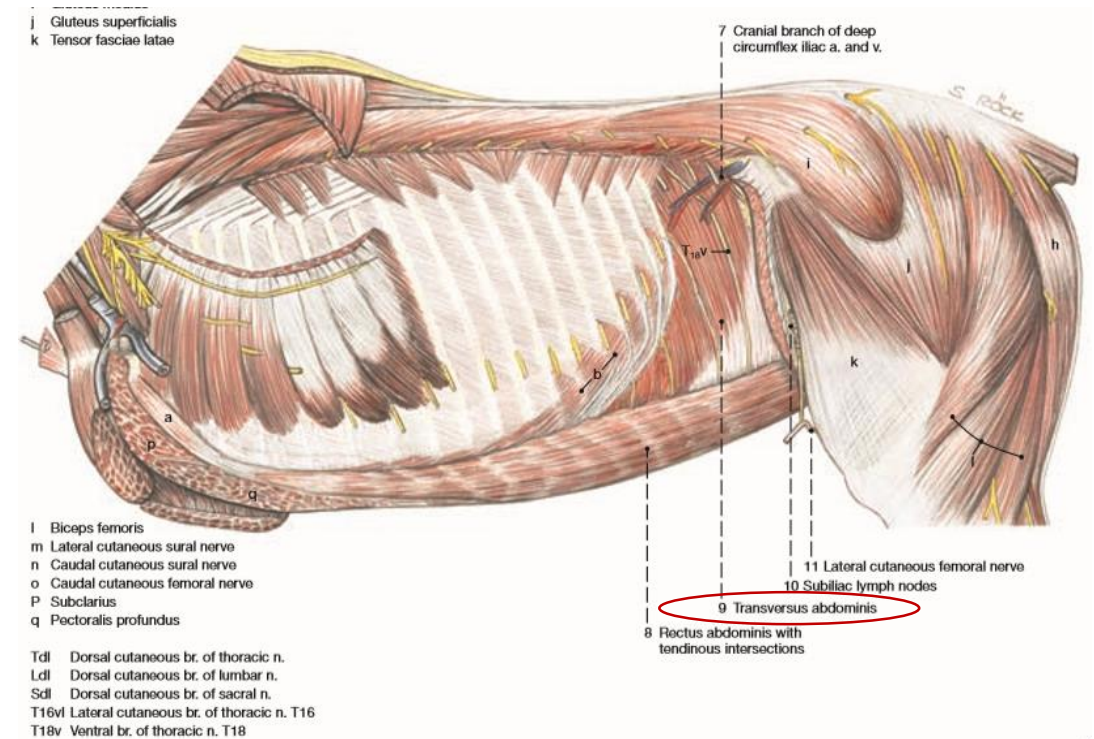
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3. M. transversus abdominis:

In the lumbal region:

- fibers become an aponeurosis
- forms the inner layer of the rectus sheath
- the caudal border of the muscle – at the level of the tuber coxae



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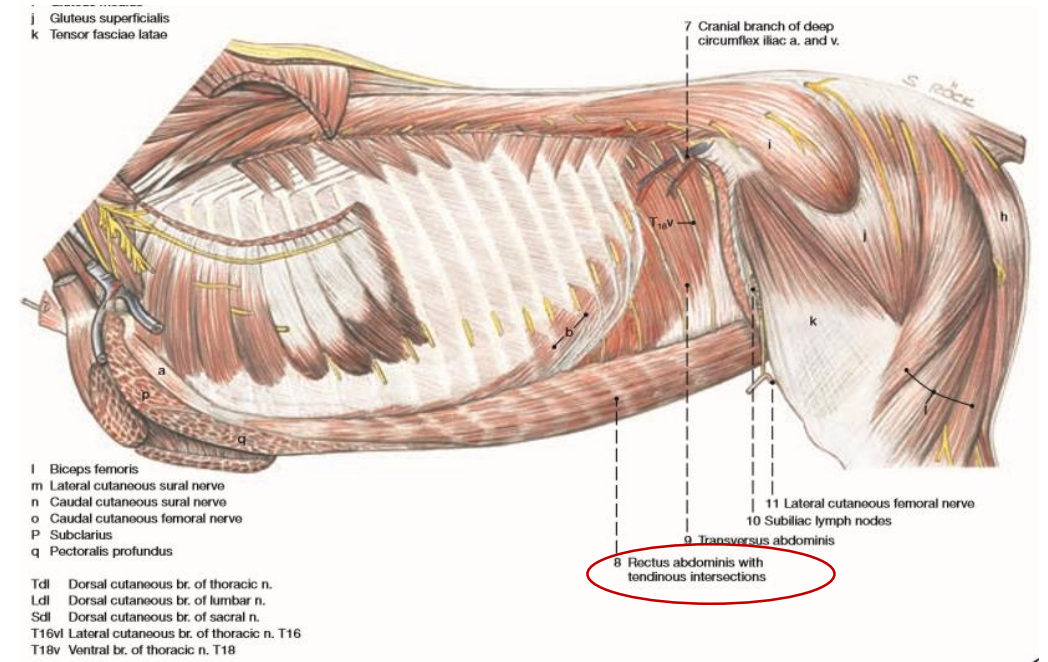
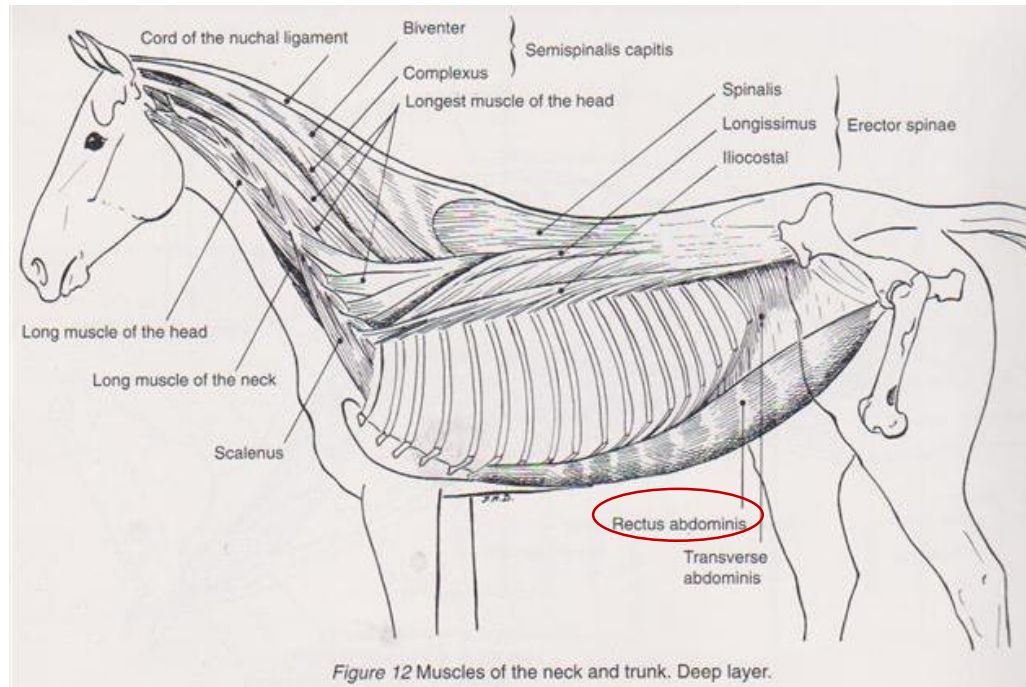
5. M. rectus abdominis:

- 9 – 11 tendinous inscriptions – blend with the outer layer of the rectus sheath

Origin: 4th to 9th costal cartilages

Insertion: cranial pubic ligament

ventral pubic tubercle



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