

# HUMAN FUNCTIONAL ANATOMY 213 MOUTH AND MASTICATION

**THIS WEEKS LAB:**

Mouth and Mastication.

**READINGS**

Faiz and Moffat: mouth, palate and nose section 66  
Stern: sections 45, 63 and 64  
Grant's Method:- Parotid, temporal and infratemporal regions  
& Mouth tongue and teeth

**IN THIS LECTURE I WILL COVER:**

- Temporomandibular Joint
- Movements and muscles of mastication
- Comparative anatomy of mastication
- Tongue
- Nerve supply to the mouth
  - General sensory
  - Taste
  - Parasympathetic

## MOVEMENTS OF THE TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT

**Movements above the intra-articular disc**

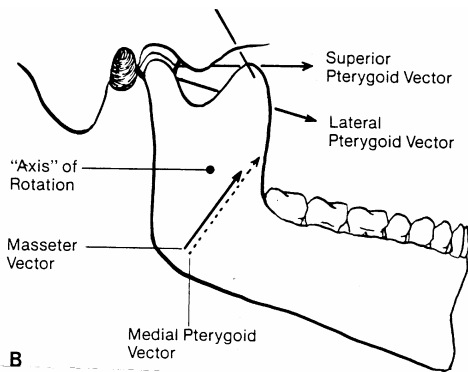
The disc and the condyle slide forwards onto the articular eminence

- Protraction
- Retraction

**Movements below the intra-articular disc**

The condyle rotates within the socket formed by the intra-articular disc

- Elevation
- Depression



**Combined movement**

Works about an axis half way down the ramus of the mandible  
As the jaw opens the head slides forwards onto the articular eminence

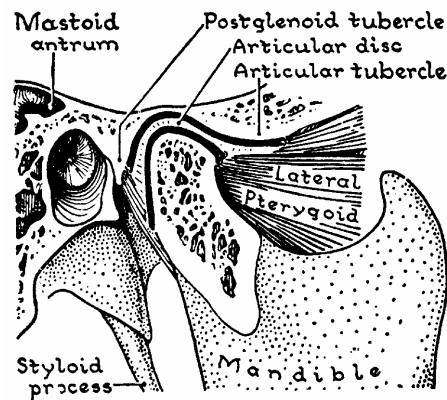
**Alternating protraction / retraction**

If one side protracts while the other side retracts you can chew and grind  
This is essential for mammals in general but herbivores in particular

## TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT

**Temporal bone**

Articular eminence  
Mandibular fossa  
(Tympanic, petrous and squamous parts)  
Postglenoid tubercle



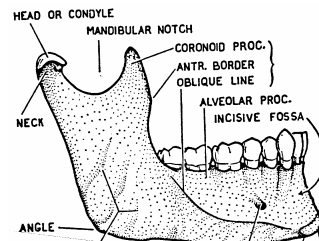
**Mandible**

Condylar process (head)  
Neck

Coronoid process  
Intra-articular disc

**Intra-articular disc**

Fits over the head of the mandible  
Attaches all the way around to the joint capsule (divides the joint cavity into upper and lower parts)



**Joint capsule**

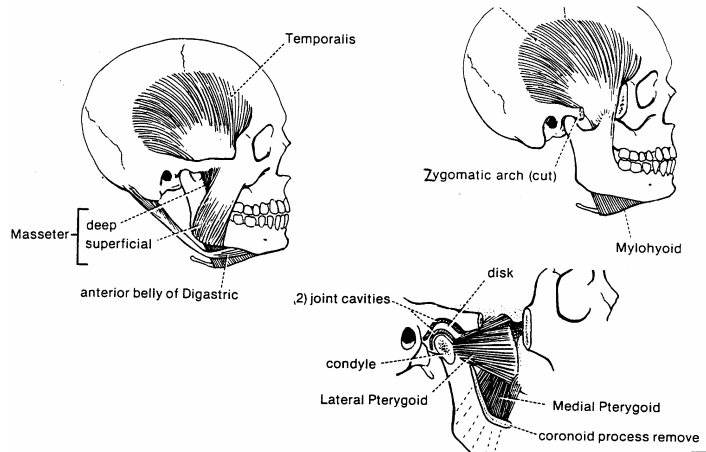
Thin except laterally where there is a strong ligament

## MUSCLES OF MASTICATION

**All supplied by the mandibular division of the Trigeminal nerve**

- Temporalis:** Temporal fossa to Coronoid process => elevate & retract
- Masseter:** Angle of the mandible to the zygomatic arch => elevator
- Medial pterygoid:** Inside angle of mandible to medial side of lateral pterygoid plate => elevator

**Lateral pterygoid:** Neck and intra-articular disc to the lateral side of the lateral pterygoid plate => protractor



**Additional muscles (of mastication?) supplied by trigeminal nerve**

- Anterior belly of digastric
- Mylohyoid
- Tensor tympani (attaches to the malleus - 1st arch bone - part of the reptilian jaw joint)
- Tensor palati

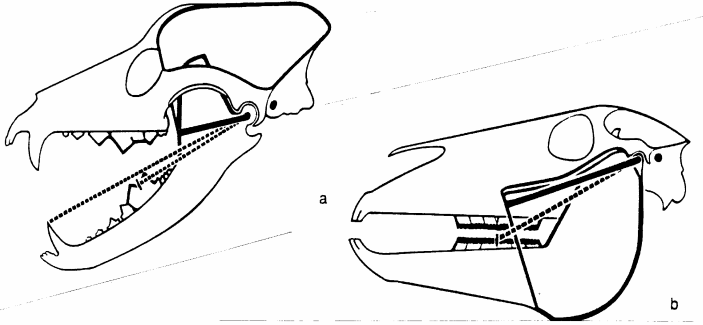
## MASTICATION COMPARATIVE ANATOMY

**Non mammals** use their mouth to capture food which they swallow whole  
**Mammals** chew their food and require a different kind of TMJ

### Different mastication in mammals

**Carnivores** capture their food. (afterwards meat is fairly easy to chew)  
Need a wide gape and jaws built for speed  
Low ramus shortens muscle lever arms  
Long teeth lever arm

Large temporalis muscle / Small masseter



**Herbivores** have to thoroughly chew their tough food

Need jaws built for grinding power  
High ramus lengthens masseter lever arm  
Short tooth lever arm  
Large masseter muscle / Small temporalis

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## THE TONGUE

**Develops from occipital somites => Hypoglossal nerve (motor)**

Sensory supply via the lingual branch of the trigeminal

### Intrinsic muscles:

In the substance of the tongue (Alter the shape of the tongue)

Vertical

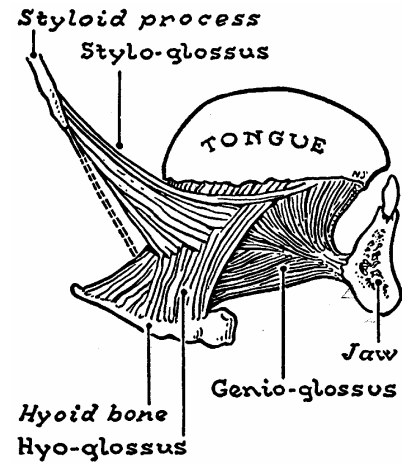
Transverse

Longitudinal bundles

### Extrinsic muscles

Attach outside the tongue (Alter the position of the tongue)

Genioglossus  
Hyoglossus  
Styloglossus  
Palatoglossus



All supplied by the hypoglossal nerve (except palatoglossus, which must be considered as a palatine muscle supplied by the Vagus CN10)

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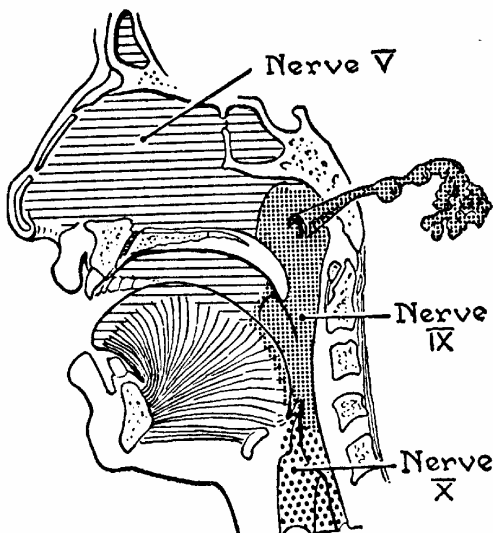
## NERVE SUPPLY OF THE MOUTH, NOSE AND PHARYNX

### GENERAL SENSORY

**Trigeminal** Mouth  
Nose  
Meninges  
(Ophthalmic, Maxillary and Mandibular divisions)

**Glossopharyngeal nerve** Pharynx

**Vagus nerve** Larynx



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## NERVE SUPPLY OF THE MOUTH

### TASTE AND PARASYMPATHETIC

**Taste buds** are found on the tongue but also throughout the mouth

**Parasympathetic nerves** supply salivary glands and oral mucosa.

### ROOF OF MOUTH (Maxillary process of 1st arch)

**Taste buds in the palate and mucosa of nose and palate**

**Greater petrosal nerve** (from the facial nerve)

Parasympathetic fibres synapse in the **pterygopalatine ganglion**.

Taste fibres have a sensory **geniculate ganglion** on the facial nerve

**BOTH** are distributed with branches of the maxillary nerve:

Greater and lesser palatine, nasopalatine, and nasal branches

### FLOOR OF MOUTH (Mandibular process of 1st arch)

**Taste buds in the tongue, salivary glands and oral mucosa**

**Chorda tympani** (from the facial nerve)

Parasympathetic fibres synapse in the **submandibular ganglion**.

Taste fibres (anterior 2/3 of tongue) also use the **geniculate ganglion**

**BOTH** are distributed with branches of the lingual nerve

But buccal glands must receive their supply via the buccal branch of the mandibular

### BACK OF THE TONGUE (Pharynx = Glossopharyngeal nerve)

**General sensory & taste to the pharynx** (inc. posterior 2/3 or tongue)

**Parasympathetic** (lesser petrosal nerve, otic ganglion, branches of mandibular nerve) to **parotid** (and buccal) gland

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