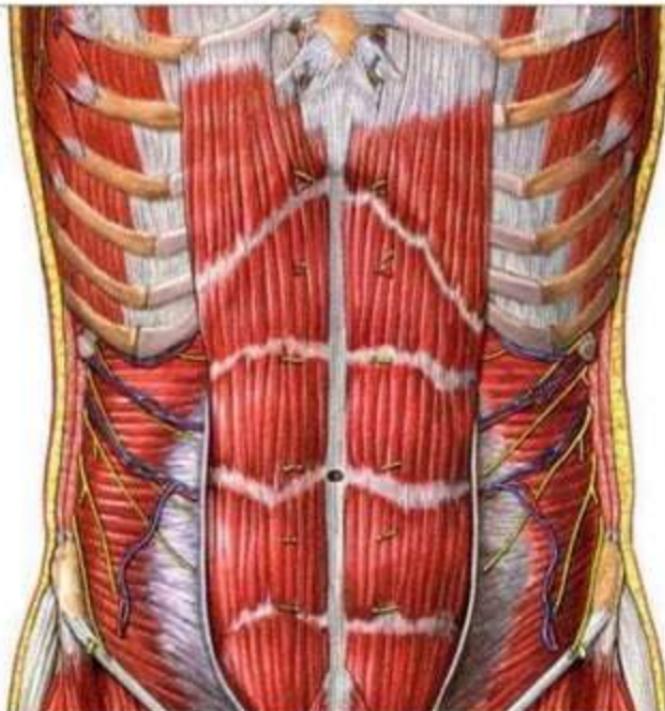


# **ANTERIOR ABDOMINAL WALL ANATOMY, ITS SURGICAL IMPORTANCE**



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# **INTRODUCTION**

- 1. The abdominal wall is an anatomically**
  - complex multilayered structure**
  - with segmentally derived blood supply and innervations**
    - provides structure, protection and support to the abdominal viscera and the peritoneal cavity.**

## **2. Embryology-**

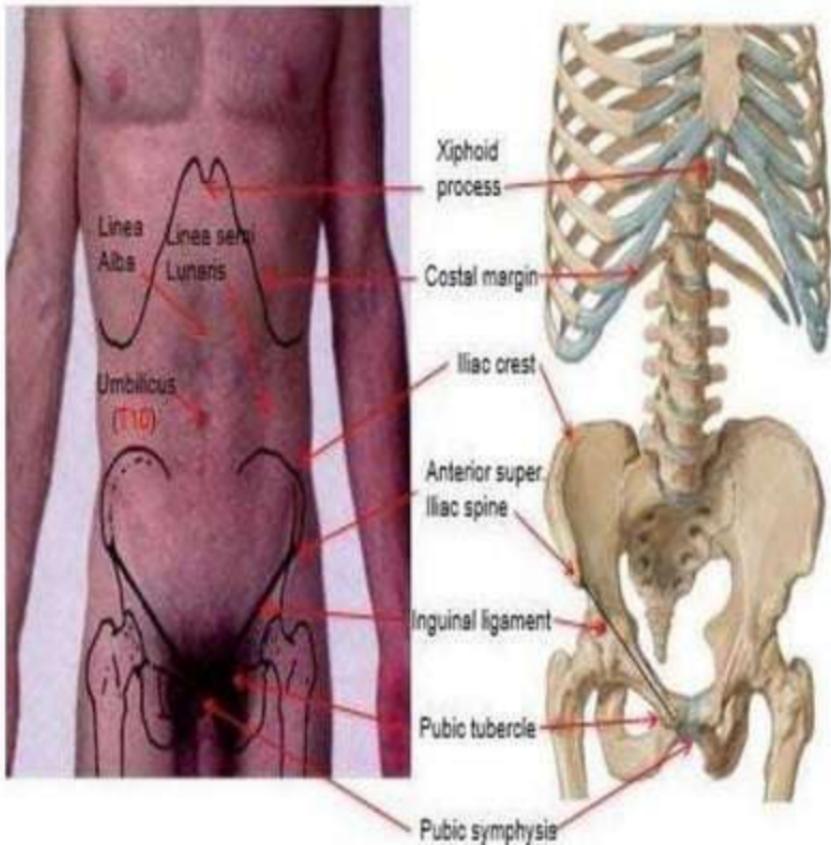
it is **mesodermal** in origin

originate in the **paravertebral region**

develops as **bilateral migrating sheets**  
and envelope the future abdomen.

# BOUNDRIES OF ANT. ABDOMINAL WALL

- SUPERIORLY-  
xiphoid process,  
costal margins .
- INFERIORLY-  
tuber of iliac  
crests, ASIS, pubic  
symphysis
- POSTERO LATERAL-  
mid axillary line



# **SURFACE TOPOGRAPHY**

## **ABDOMINAL QUADRANTS**

- Formed by

- two intersecting lines:

- Intersect at umbilicus.

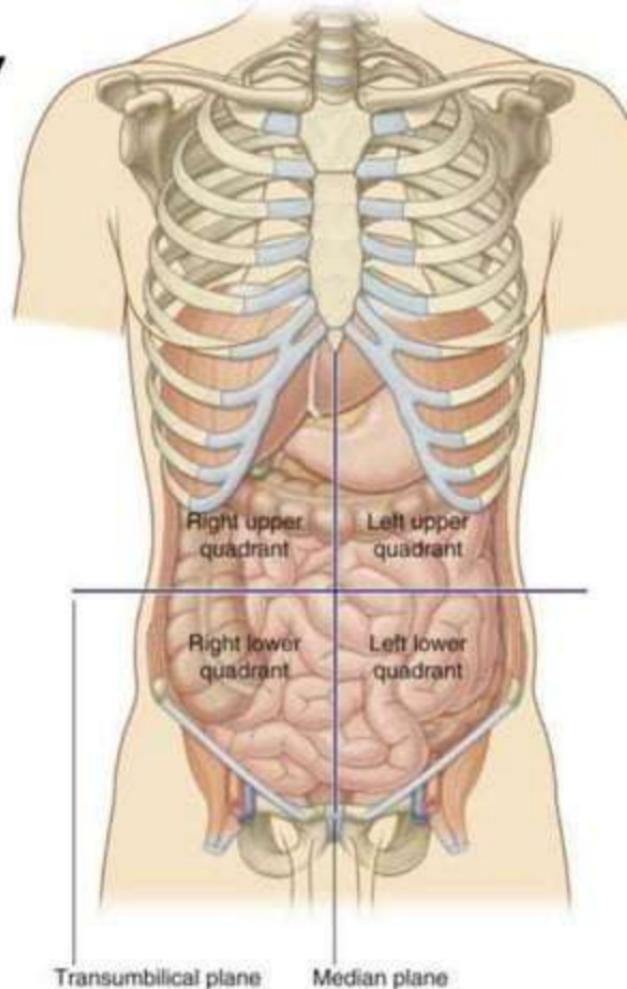
- **Quadrants:**

- Right Upper.**

- Left Upper.**

- Right Lower.**

- Left Lower.**



# ABDOMINAL REGIONS

## 9 Regions

Divided by two pairs of planes:

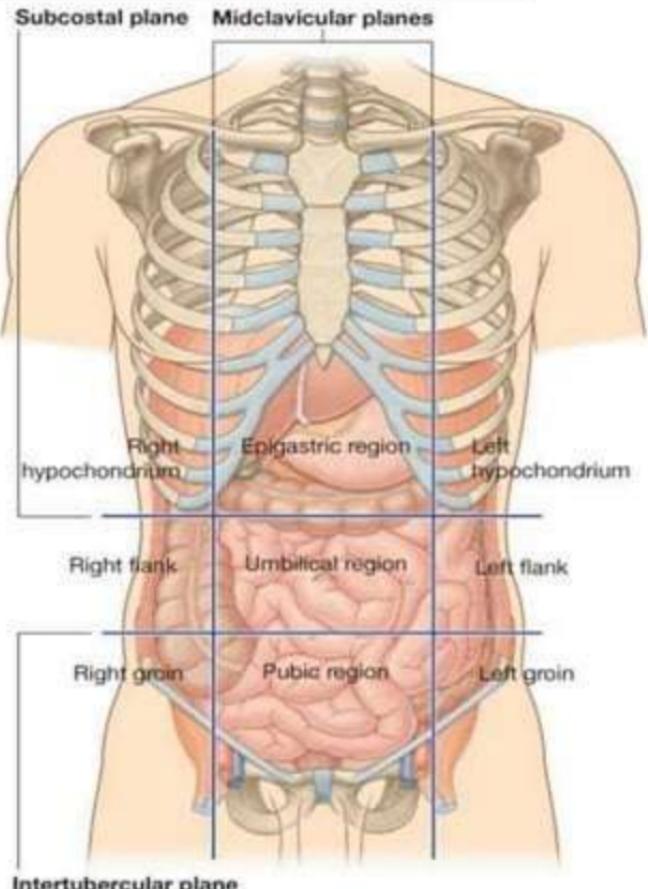
- Vertical Planes:

Left and right  
midclavicular planes

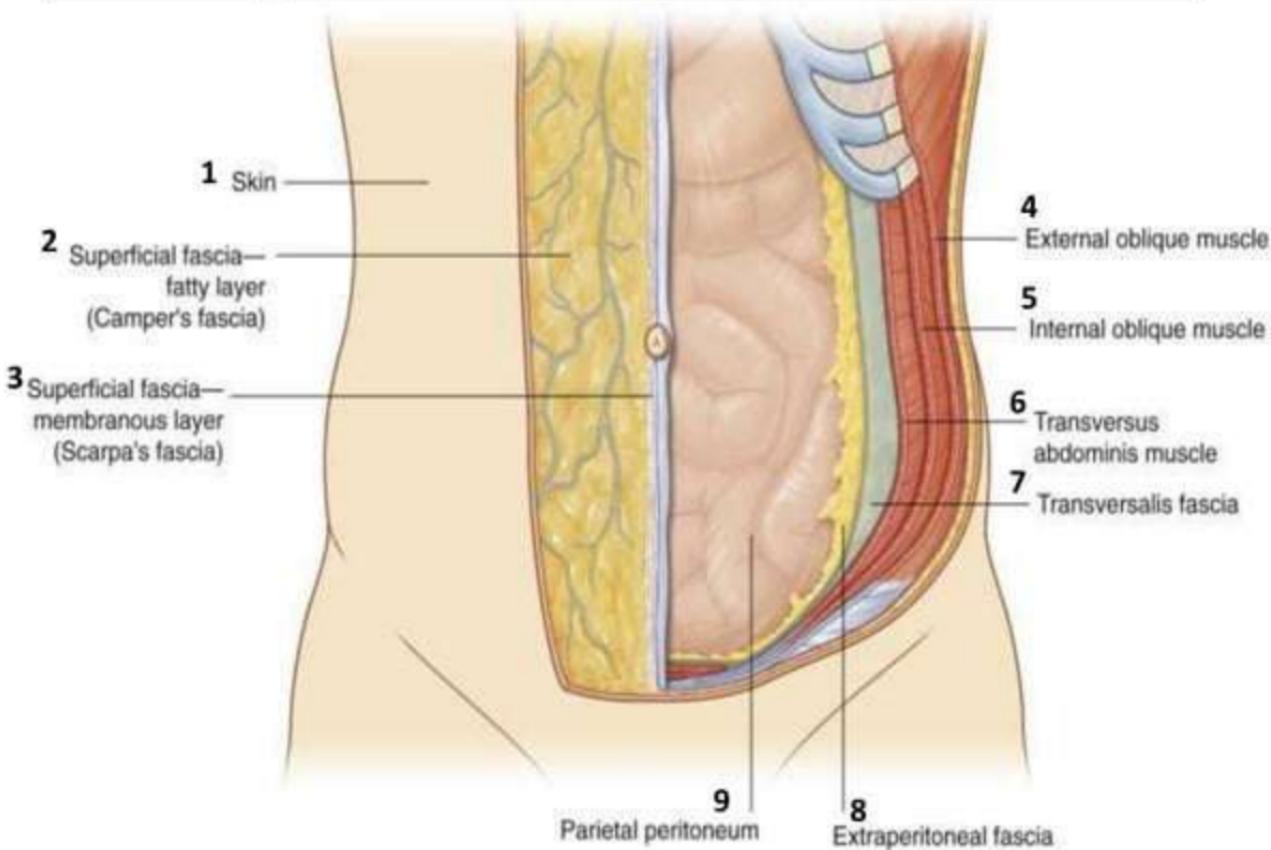
- Horizontal Planes:

Transpyloric plane

Transtubercular plane

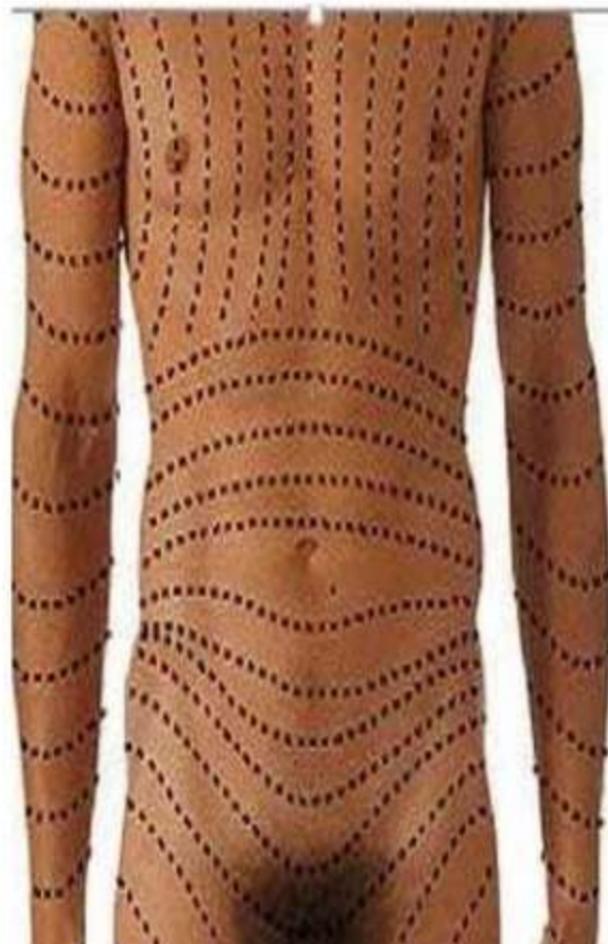


# Layers of abdominal wall



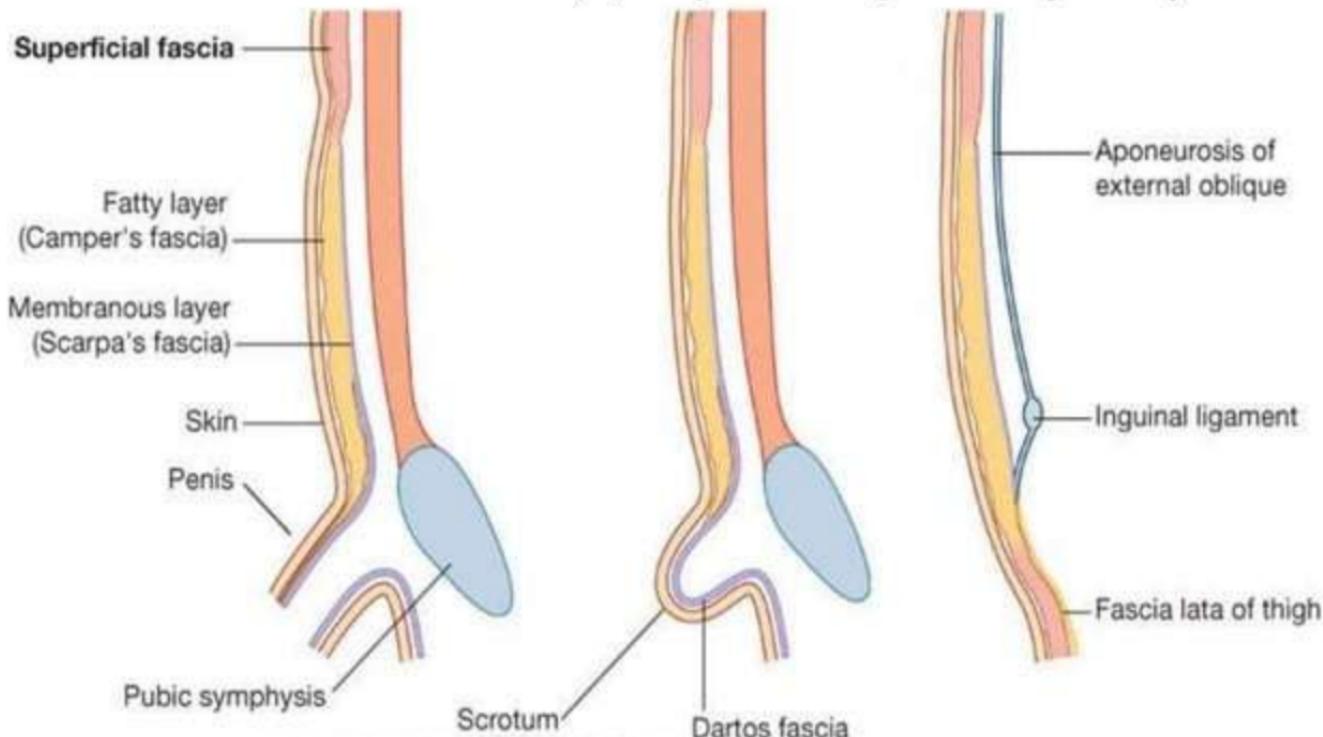
## SKIN

- Loosely attach to the underlying structure except at umbilicus.
- Umbilicus is a normal scar formed by remnant of umbilical cord in fetus.
- Langer's line-almost horizontally, forward and downward

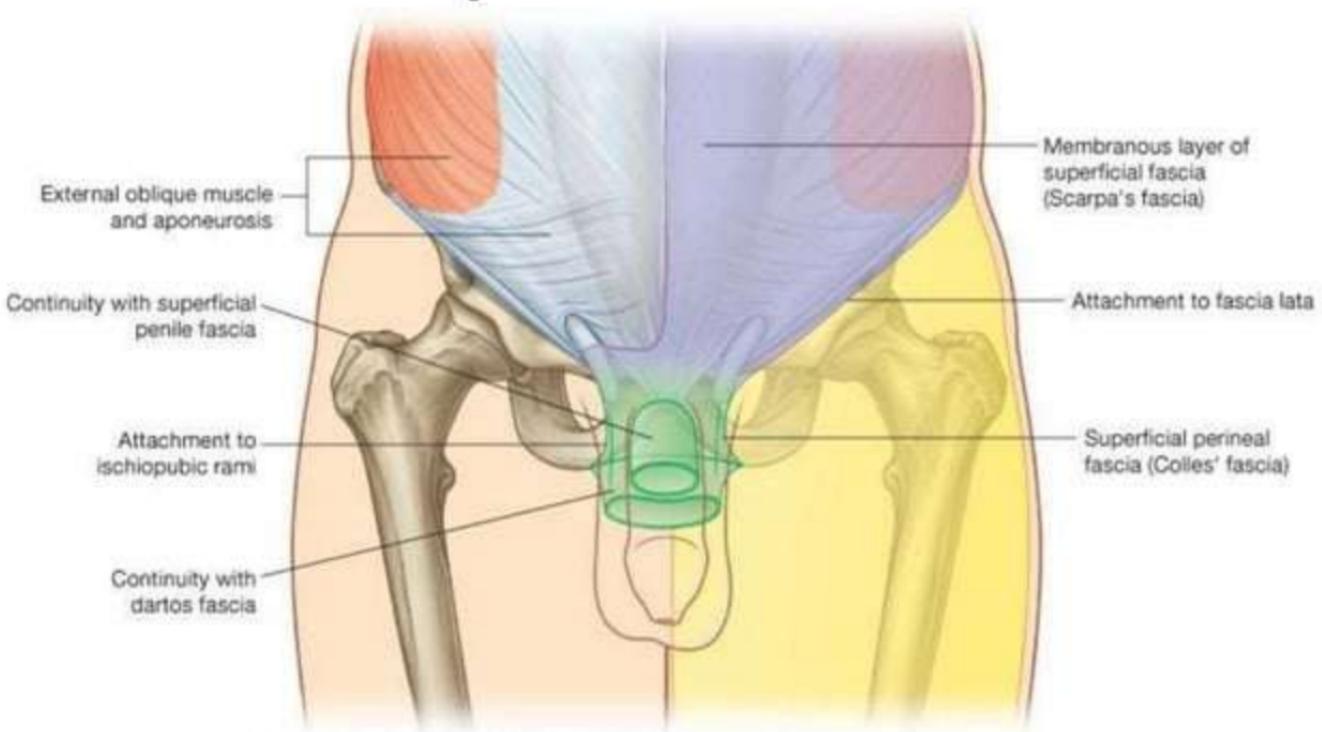


# SUPERFICIAL FASCIA

- (1) Superficial *fascia of camper*
- (2) Superficial *fascia of scarpa*



# Continuity of membranous layer of Superficial Fascia



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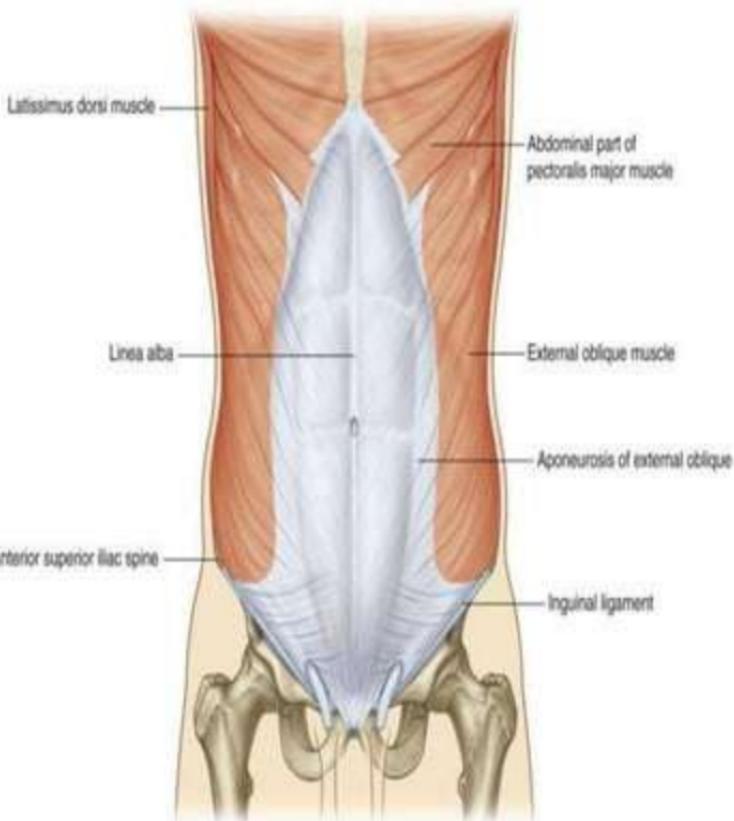
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# ANTEROLATERAL MUSCLES

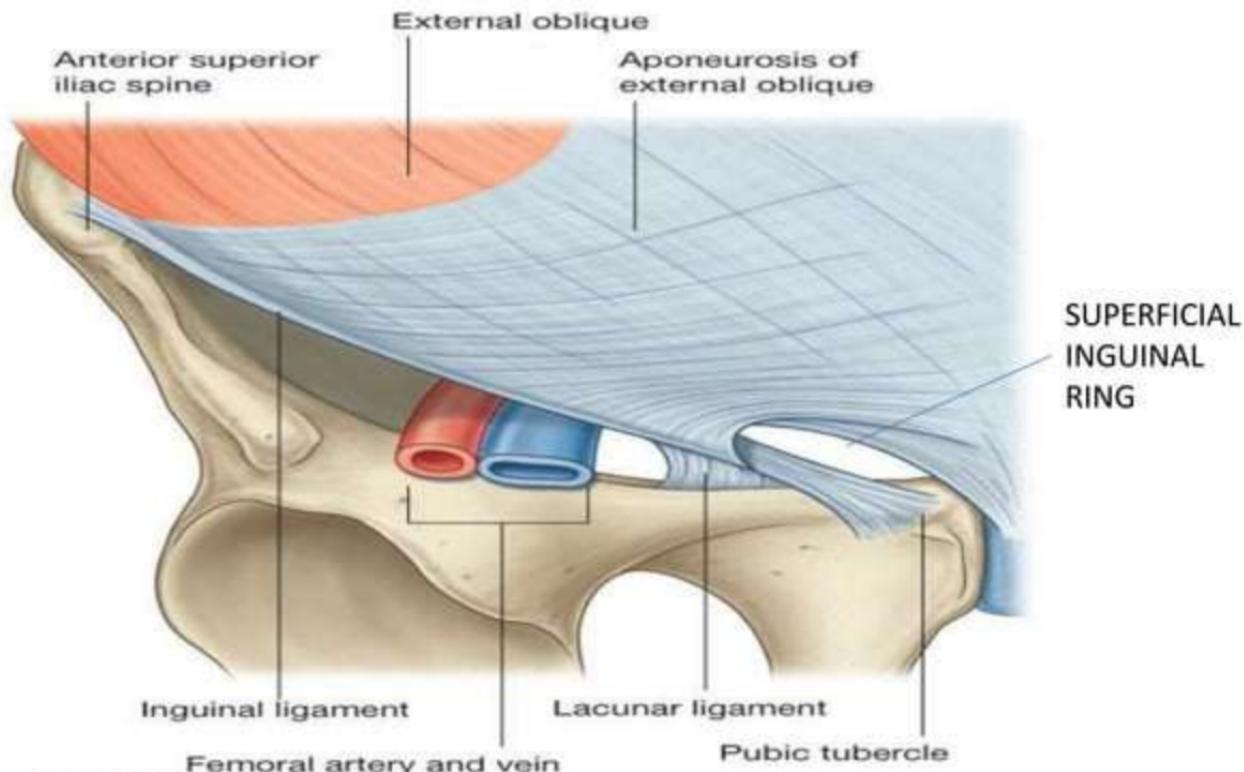
- 5 Muscles
  - 3 flat muscles
    - » *External Oblique*
    - » *Internal Oblique*
    - » *Transversus abdominis*
  - 2 vertical muscles
    - » *Rectus abdominis*
    - » *Pyramidalis*

# EXTERNAL OBLIQUE MUSCLE AND APONEUROSIS

- **ORIGIN:** Arises by eight fleshy slips from outer borders of the lower eight ribs(5-12)
- **DIRECTION:** Downwards, Forwards, Medially
- **INSERTION:** Xiphoid, Linea alba, Pubic symphysis, ant. 2/3 of Iliac crest
- **NERVE SUPPLY:** Ant. rami of spinal n. T7 – T12



# EXTERNAL OBLIQUE APPONEUROSIS



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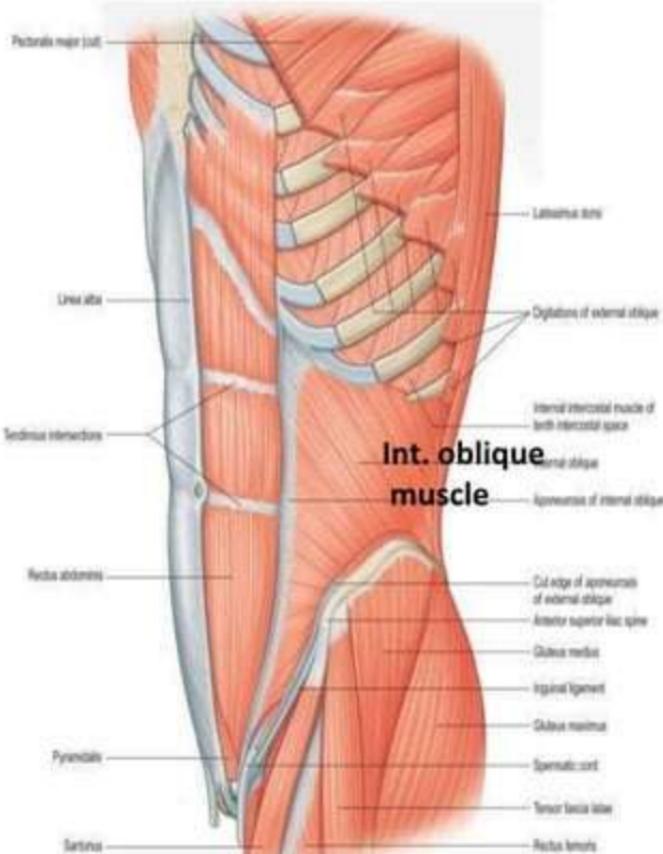
# INTERNAL OBLIQUE MUSCLE AND APPONEUROSIS

**-ORIGIN:** Ant. 2/3 iliac crest,  
Lat 2/3 of inguinal ligament  
Thoraco-lumber fascia

**-DIRECTION:**  
**Upward, Forward, Medially**

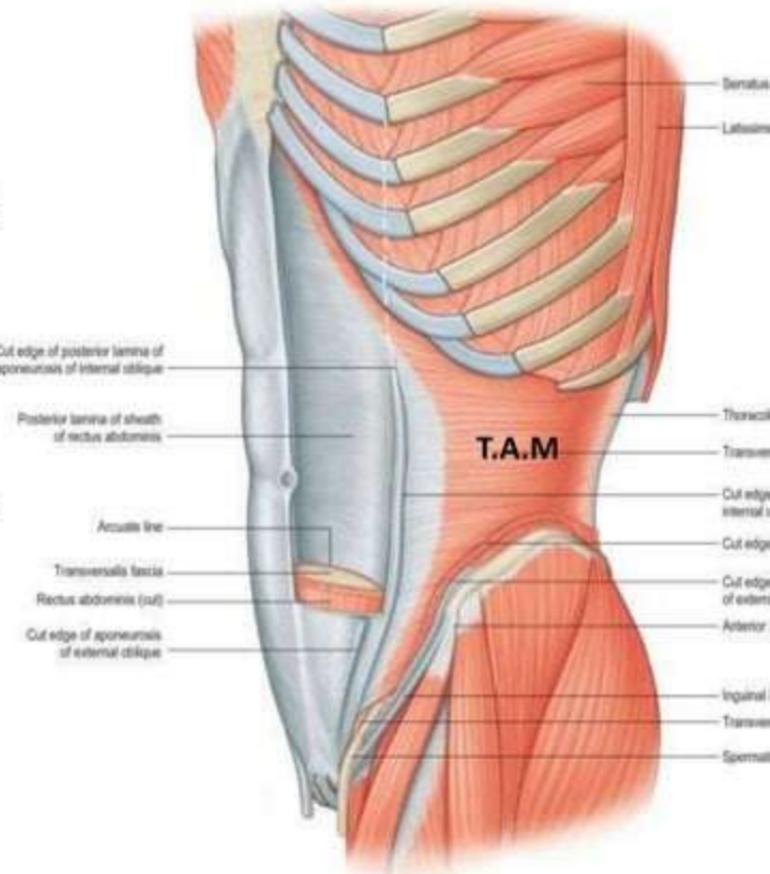
**-INSERTION:** Lower 3 ribs,  
xiphoid, linea alba,  
conjoint tendon

**-NERVE SUPPLY:**  
**Lower six thoracic n.T7-T12,**  
**First lumbar nerve L1**



# Transversus abdominis

- **ORIGIN:** Thoracolumbar fascia, Iliac crest, lat  $\frac{1}{2}$  of inguinal ligament, and costal cartilages 7-12
- **DIRECTION:** Transverse
- **INSERTION:** Xiphoid process linea alba, pubic crest and pecten pubis via conjoint tendon
- **NERVE SUPPLY:** T6-L1



# RECTUS ABDOMINIS & PYRAMIDALIS

- **Origin:** Pubic crest
- **Insertion:** costal cartilage 5-7, xiphoid process
- **Direction:** vertical
- **Nerve supply:** T7-T11
- **Tendinous intersections**

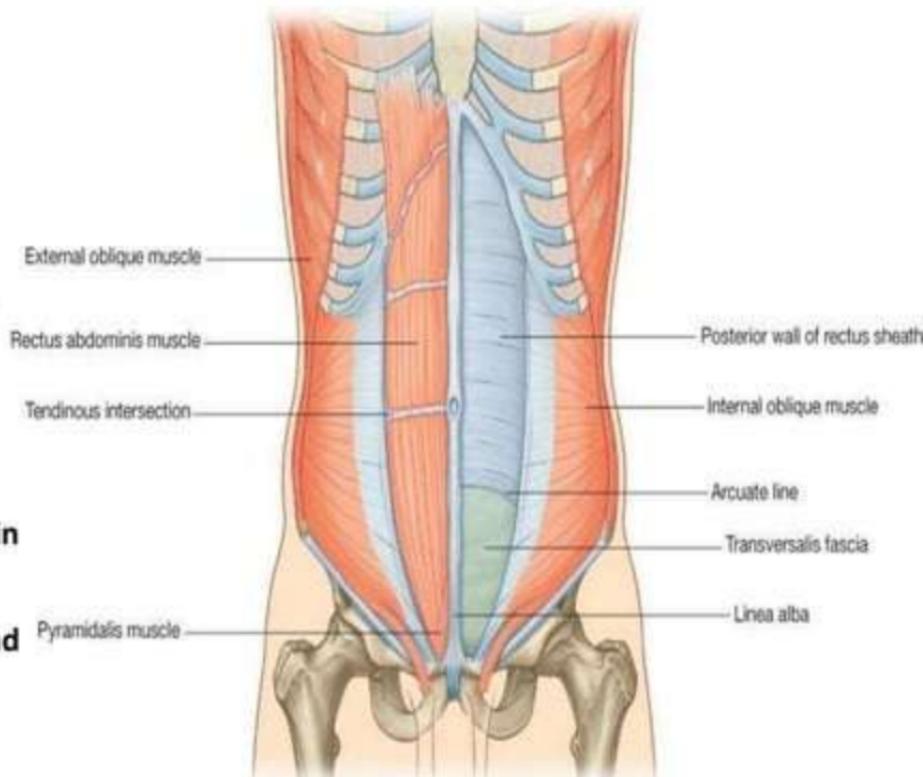
## PYRAMIDALIS

-Inconsistent muscle, within rectus sheath

-**Origin:** pubic symphysis and pubic crest

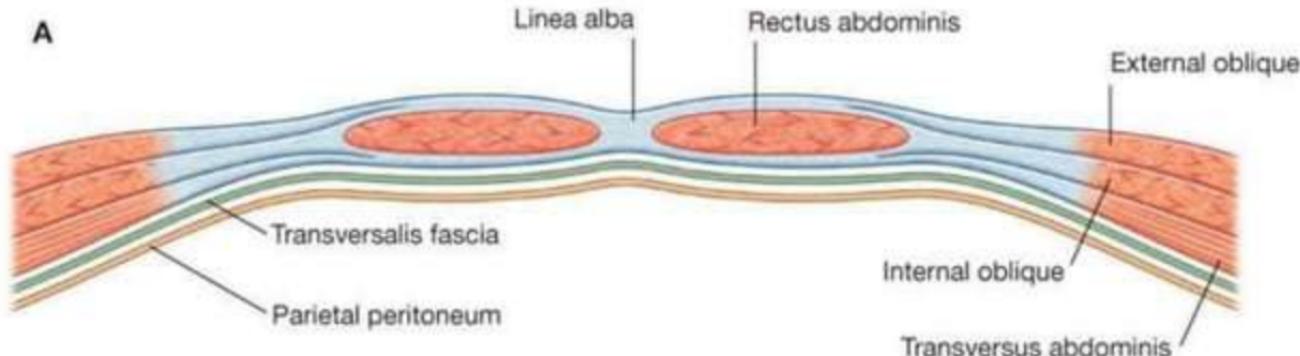
-**Insertion:** linea alba

-**Nerve supply:** T12

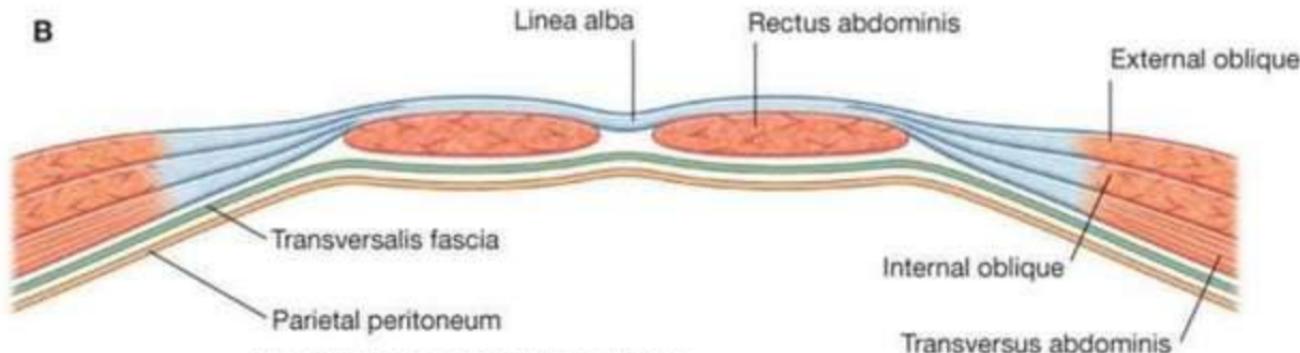


# Rectus Sheath

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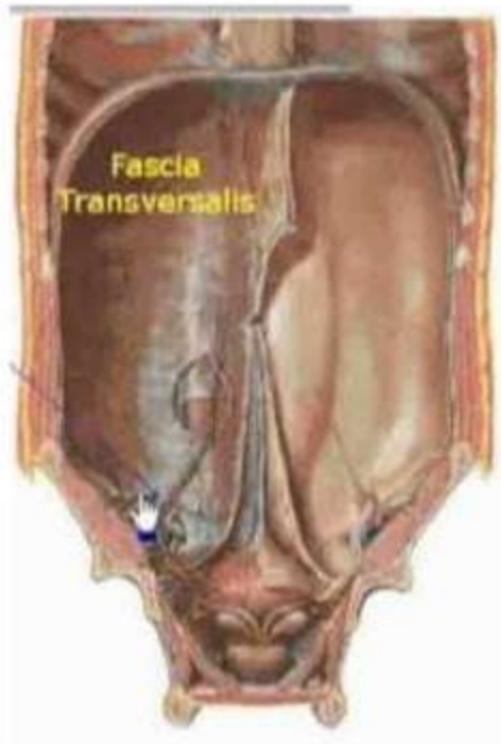


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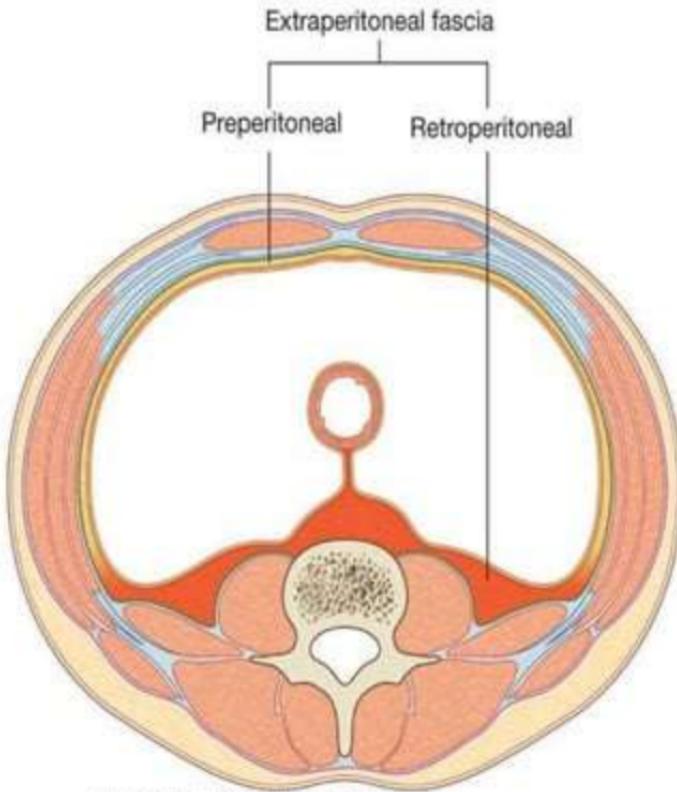
# Fascia Transversalis

- The fascia transversalis is a thin layer of fascia that lines the transversus abdominis muscle and is continuous with a similar layer lining the diaphragm and the iliocostalis muscle.
- DEEP INGUNAL RING is oval opening formed  $\frac{1}{2}'$  above to mid-inguinal point and lat. to inf .epigastric artery.
- This layer responsible for the structural integrity of the abdominal wall defect of this fascia result in HERNIA.



# Extra-peritoneal Fascia & Peritoneum

- PRE PERITONEAL SPACE
- CONTAINS ADIPOSE AND AREOLAR TISSUE



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# BLOOD SUPPLY

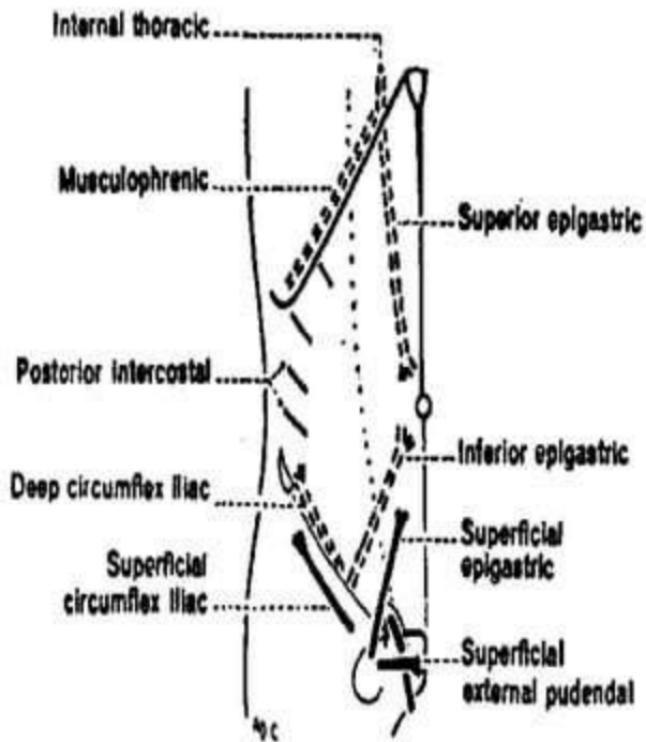
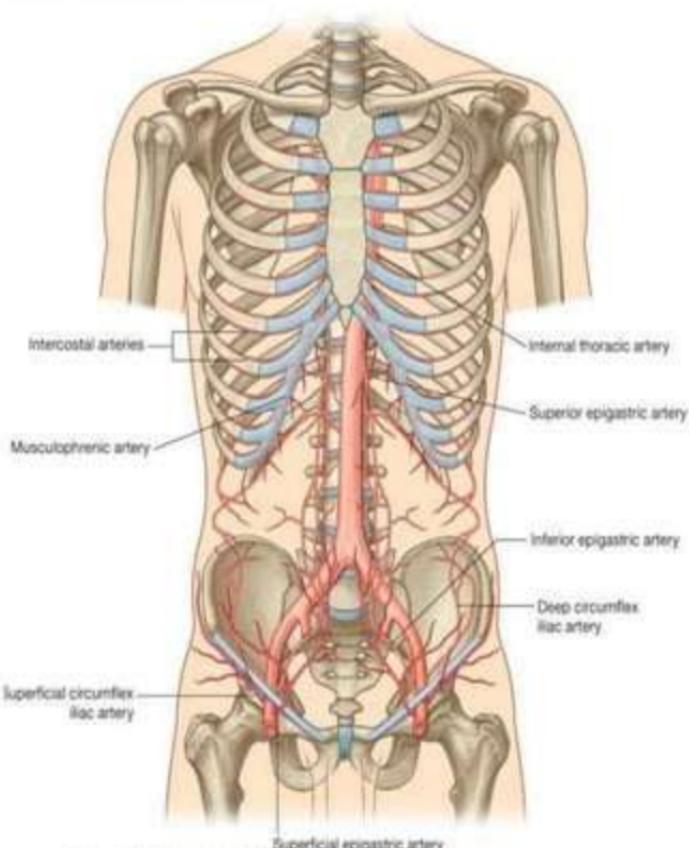
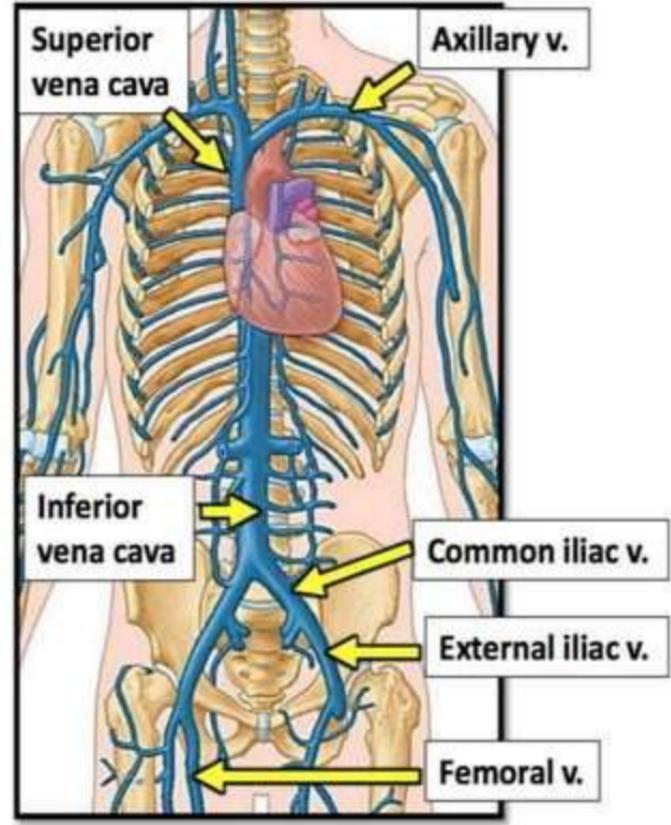
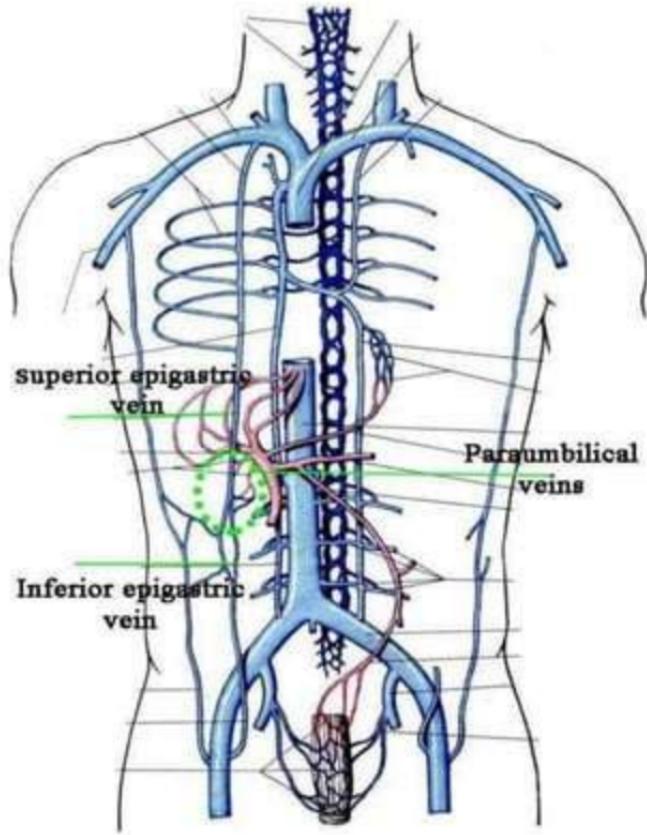


Fig. 142 Arteries of the anterior abdominal wall.

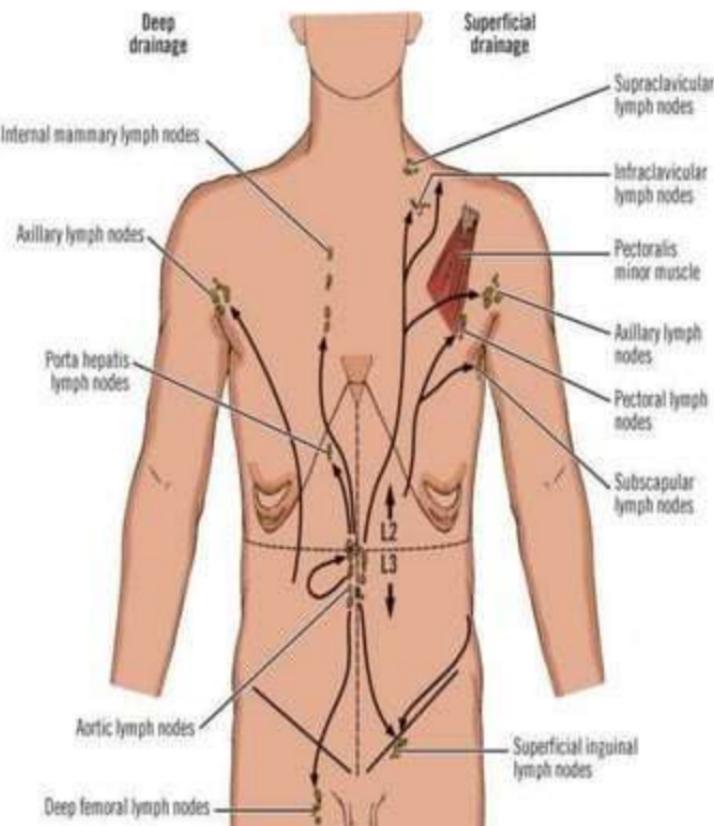
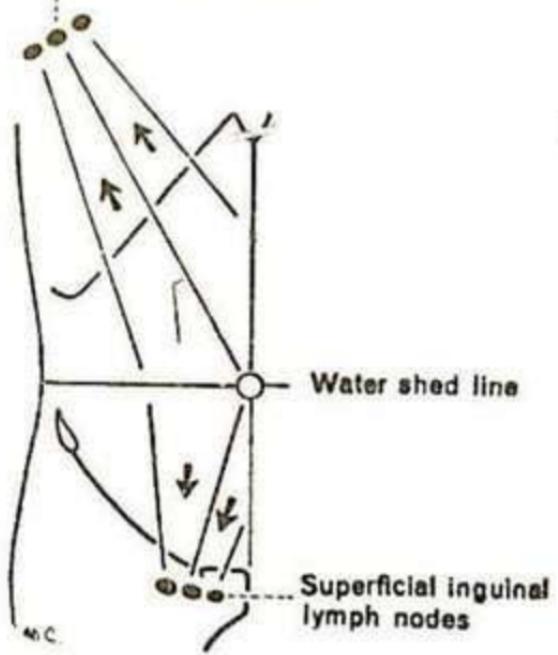


# VENOUS DRAINAGE

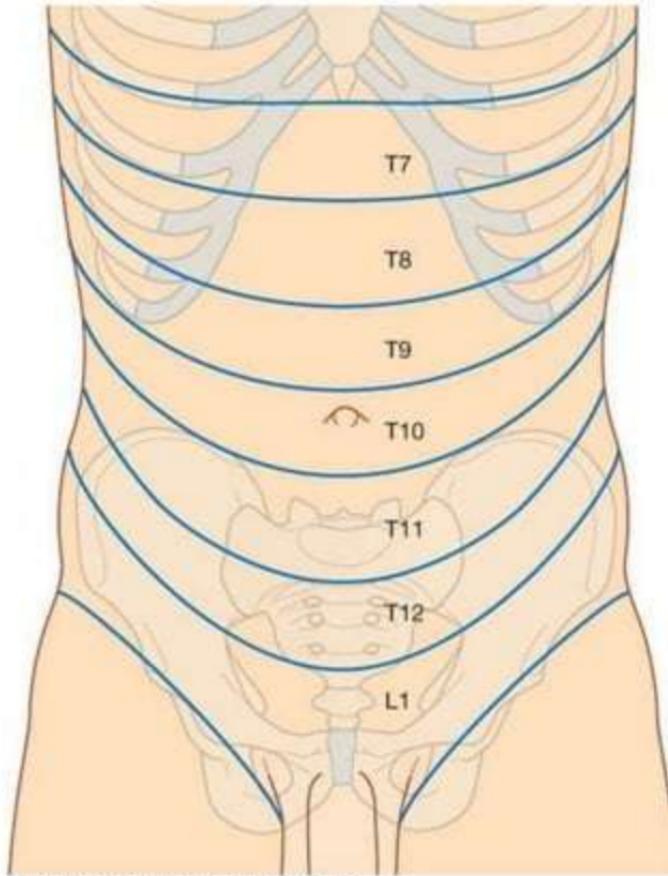


# LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE

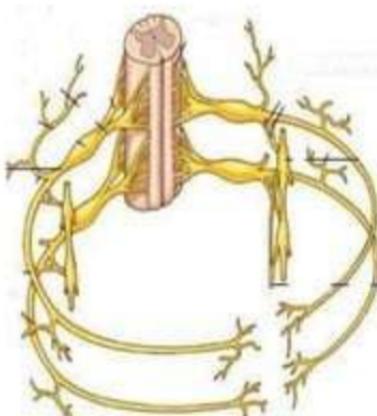
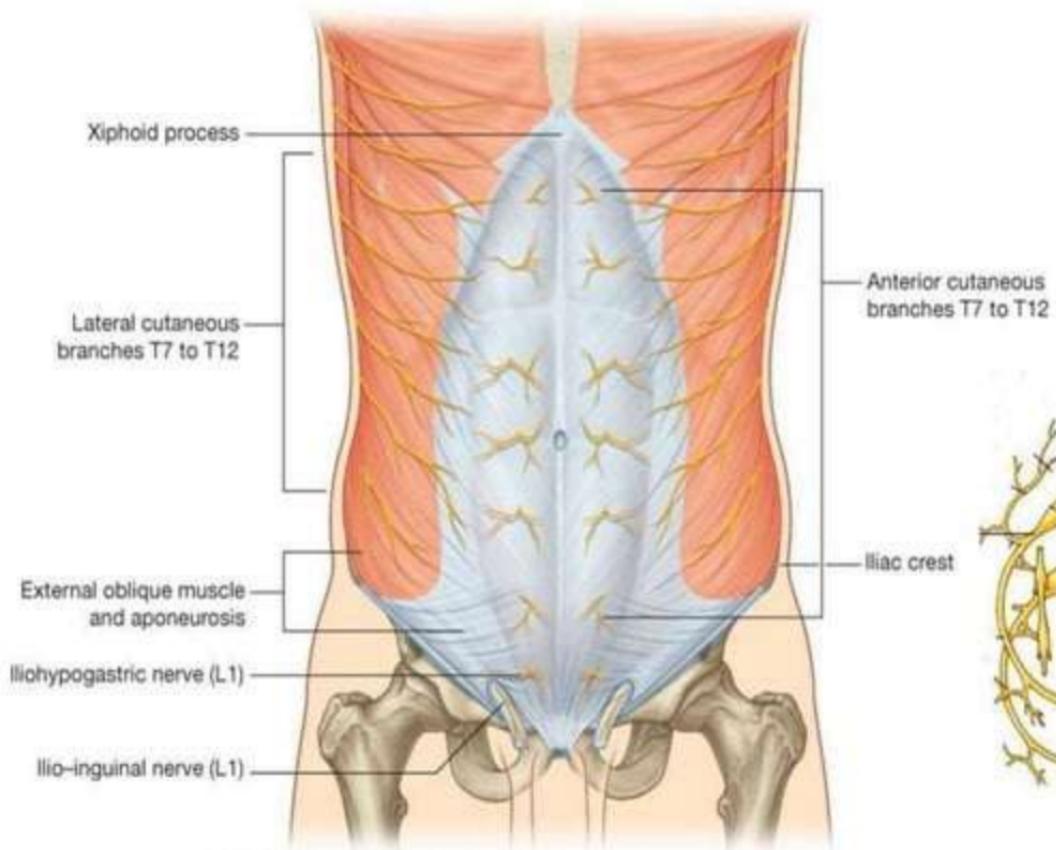
## Axillary lymph nodes



# Dermatomes



# Innervation



# **CLINICAL IMPORTANCE ABDOMINAL WALL**

1. Support the abdominal viscera against gravity
2. Expulsive acts- micturition, defecation, parturition
3. Forcefull expiratory acts
4. Movements-flexion,rotation
5. Abd. wall abnormalities- Divarication of recti, Hernia, tumor(Desmoid, Sarcoma)
6. Persistent vitello-intestinal duct
7. Persistent urachus
- 8-Compartment separation
- 9-TRAM flap reconstruction
- 10-Symptoms of intra-abdominal disease

**THANK YOU**