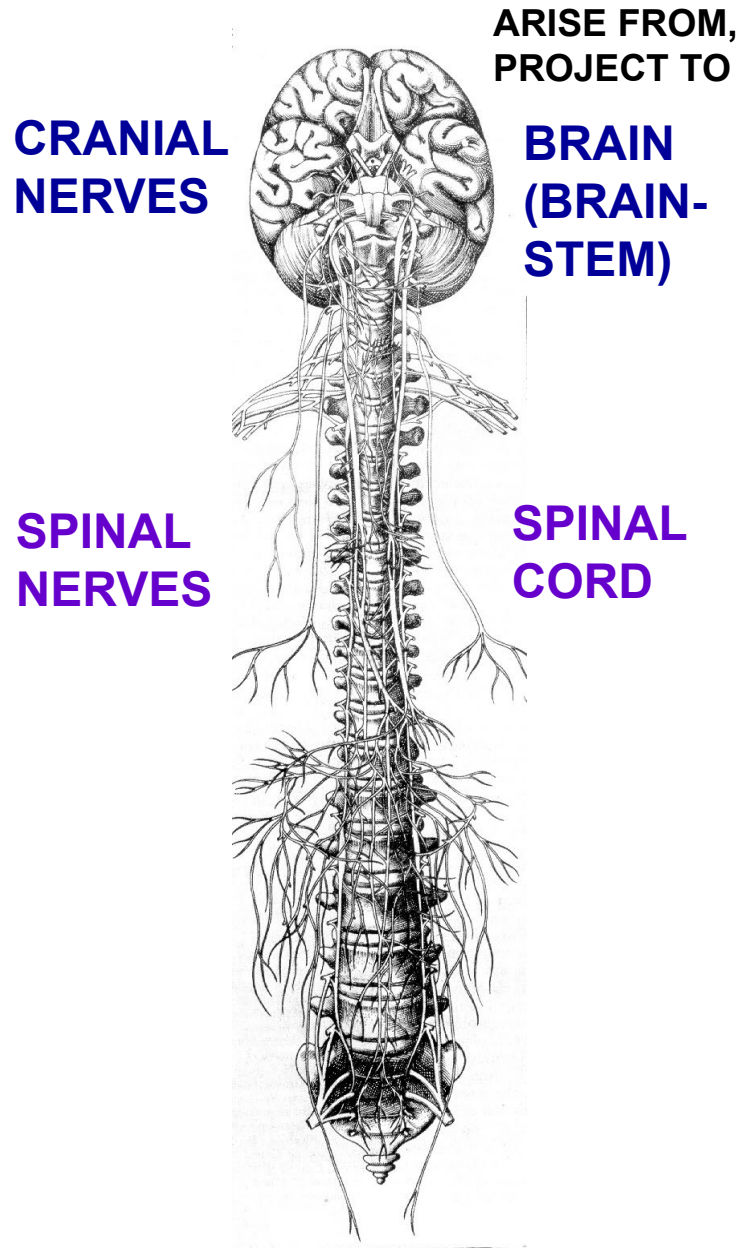


# CRANIAL NERVES



## OVERVIEW: CRANIAL NERVES

A. Contain inflow/outflow of brain; spinal nerves contain inflow/outflow of spinal cord.

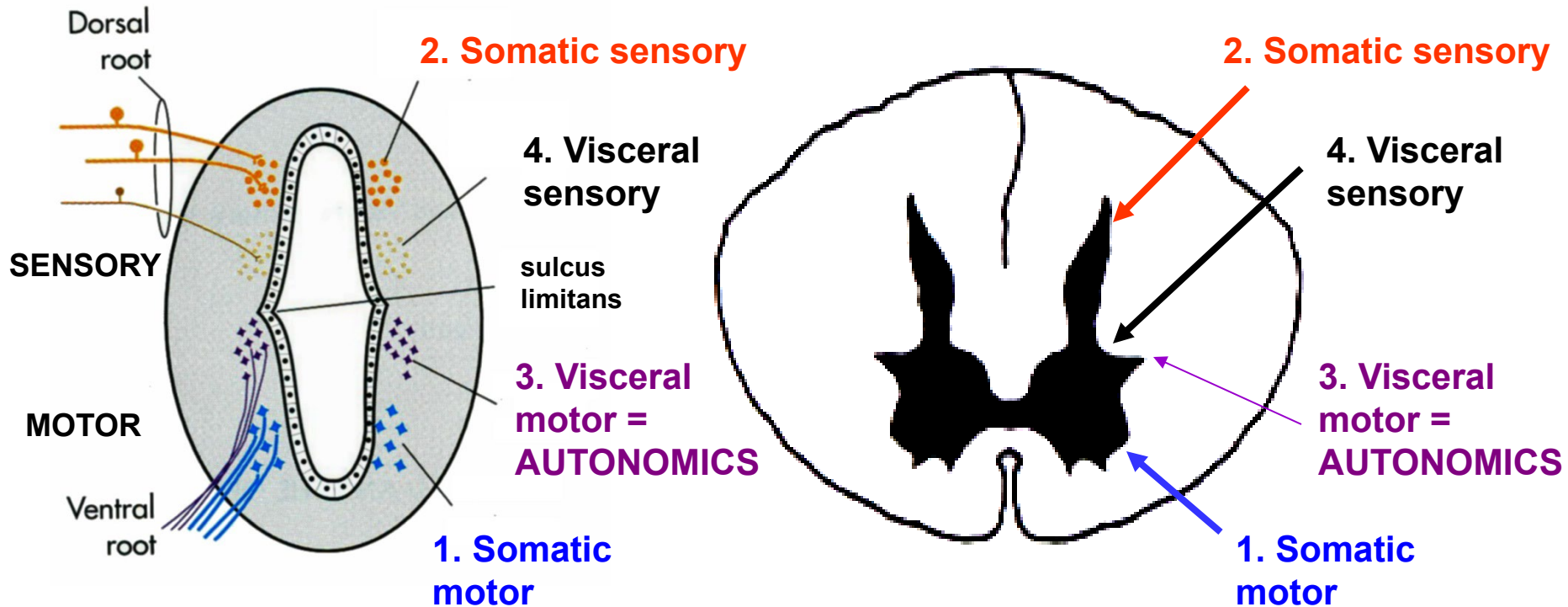
B. Contain types of similar to those found in spinal nerves; ex. sensory axons to skin.

C. Contain types of neurons not found in spinal nerves; ex. taste fibers.

D. Many cranial nerves contain more than one type of neuron.

E. To analyze types of neurons in different cranial nerves, system of classification of types of neurons.

# WHY DO YOU NEED TO KNOW THIS? CLASSIFICATION IS REFLECTED IN CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM



Nervous system forms as a Neural Tube; cells form groups (columns); sensory dorsal, motor ventral; different types of neurons form columns that develop to adult locations

## 2) CLASSIFICATION OF INNERVATION

**Seven types of neurons - some are the same types of neurons as are found in spinal nerves; others are only found in cranial nerves**

A. Same types as spinal nerves

1. **Somatic motor** - Voluntary skeletal muscles (derived from somites)
2. **Somatic sensory** - Precise sensation to skin joints, muscle, tendon receptors (in head, also nasal and oral cavities)
3. **Visceral motor** (efferents) = AUTONOMICS - smooth muscles (including arrector pilae muscles of skin), blood vessels; secretomotor to glands.
4. **Visceral sensory** - Imprecise sensation from gut, blood vessels, glands, internal organs (in head, pharynx which is rostral end of gut)

## 2) CLASSIFICATION OF INNERVATION

B. Only in cranial nerves

5. **Special senses** - vision, hearing (auditory), balance (vestibular apparatus)

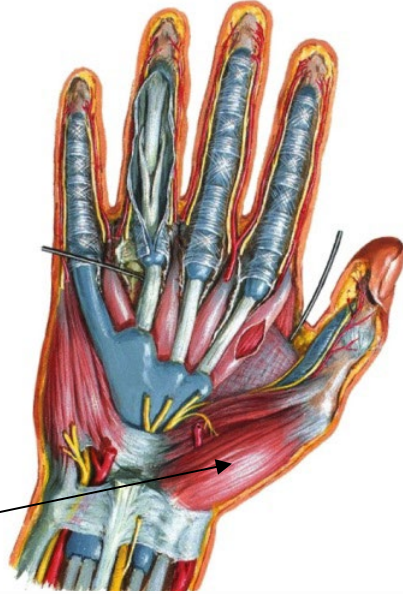
6. **Chemical senses** - taste and smell

7. **Branchiomotor** - Voluntary skeletal muscles from branchial arches

# SOME TYPES OF NEURONS ARE SIMILAR TO THOSE FOUND IN THE SPINAL CORD

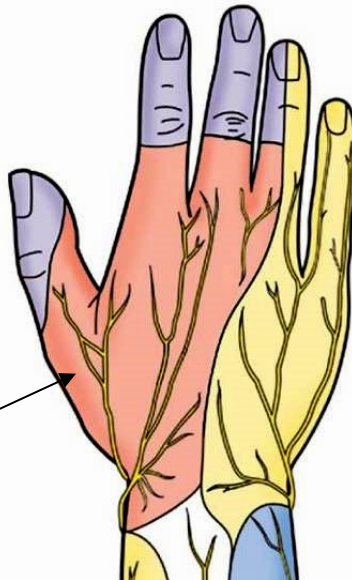
**SOMATIC MOTOR** - motor axons to skeletal muscles

ex. muscles of hand



**SOMATIC SENSORY** - sensory axons to skin ; also joints, body position

ex. skin of hand



## SOMATIC NERVOUS SYSTEM

E. Major divisions of nervous system - terminology based upon function but very confusing

1. Somatic Nervous system - considered voluntary, conscious part of nervous system

a. Somatic Motor (Efferents) - control skeletal muscle; voluntary activities (ex. limb or eye movements, walking); conscious actions.

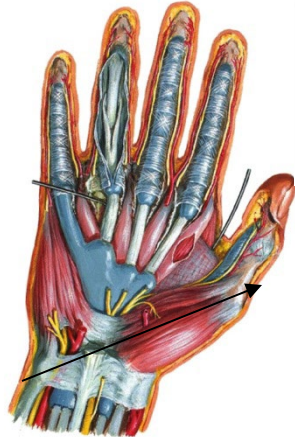
b. Somatic Sensory (Afferents) - sensory neurons that innervate skin, joints; provide precise conscious sensation of touch, pressure, pain etc to skin; also provide sense of body position (proprioception).



# THESE TYPES OF NEURONS ARE ALSO FOUND IN CRANIAL NERVES

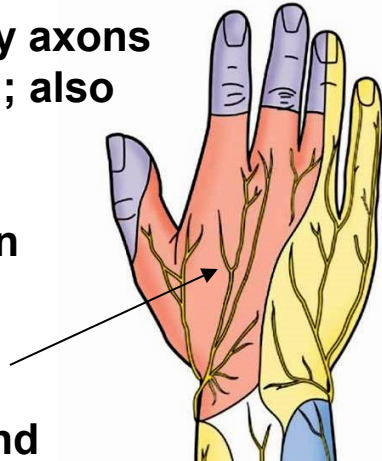
## IN HEAD

**SOMATIC MOTOR -**  
motor axons to skeletal muscles



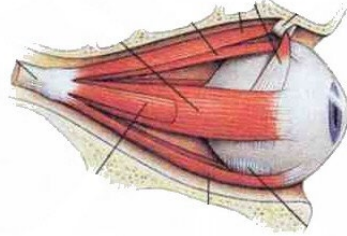
ex. muscles of hand

**SOMATIC SENSORY-**  
sensory axons to skin ; also joints, body position



ex. skin of hand

eye muscles



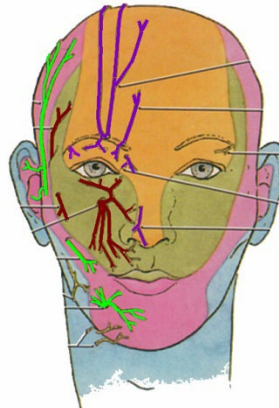
move eyes

muscles of tongue

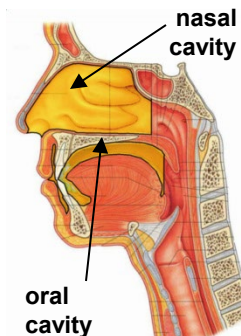


move tongue

skin of head



oral, nasal cavities

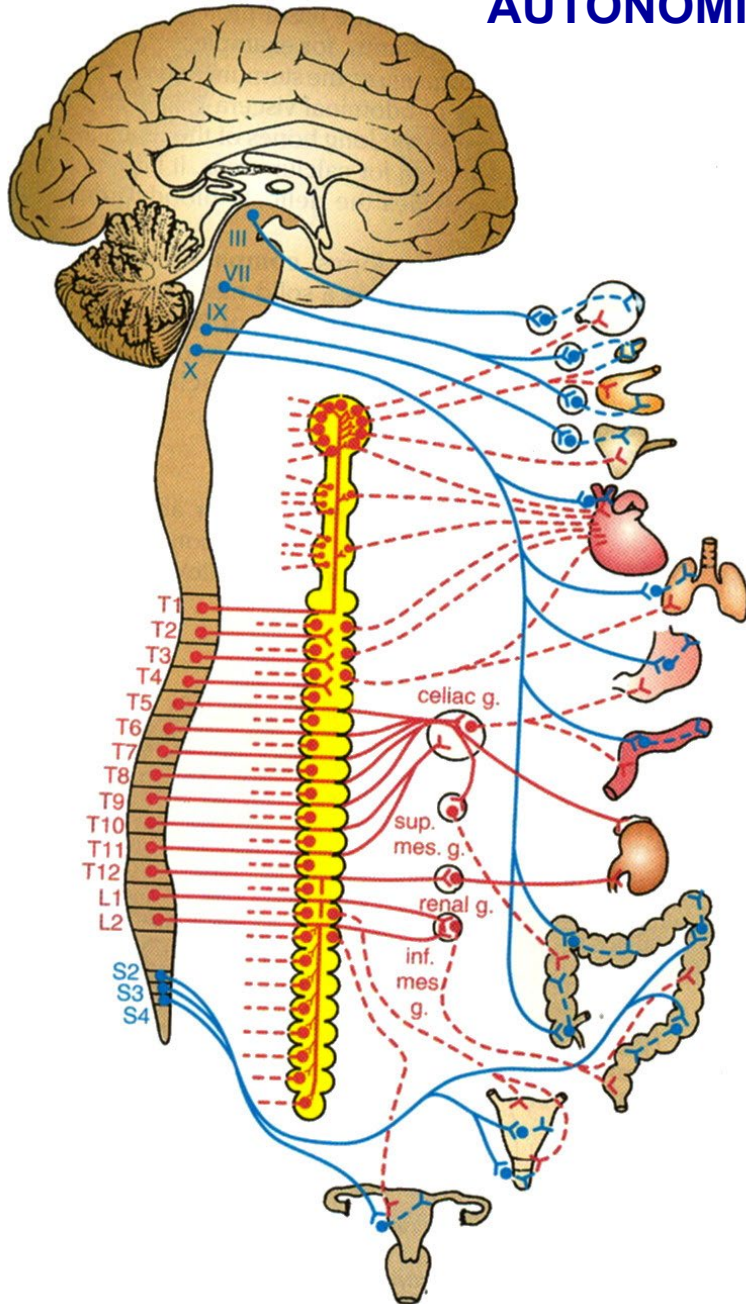


**SOMATIC MOTOR IN HEAD - limited to two groups**

1. EYE MUSCLES - extraocular muscles that move eye (and lift upper eyelid)
2. MUSCLES OF TONGUE

**SOMATIC SENSORY IN HEAD - mostly in CN V - precise sensation sensory to skin ; also oral cavity (inside mouth), nasal cavity (inside nose)**

## AUTONOMIC = VISCERAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

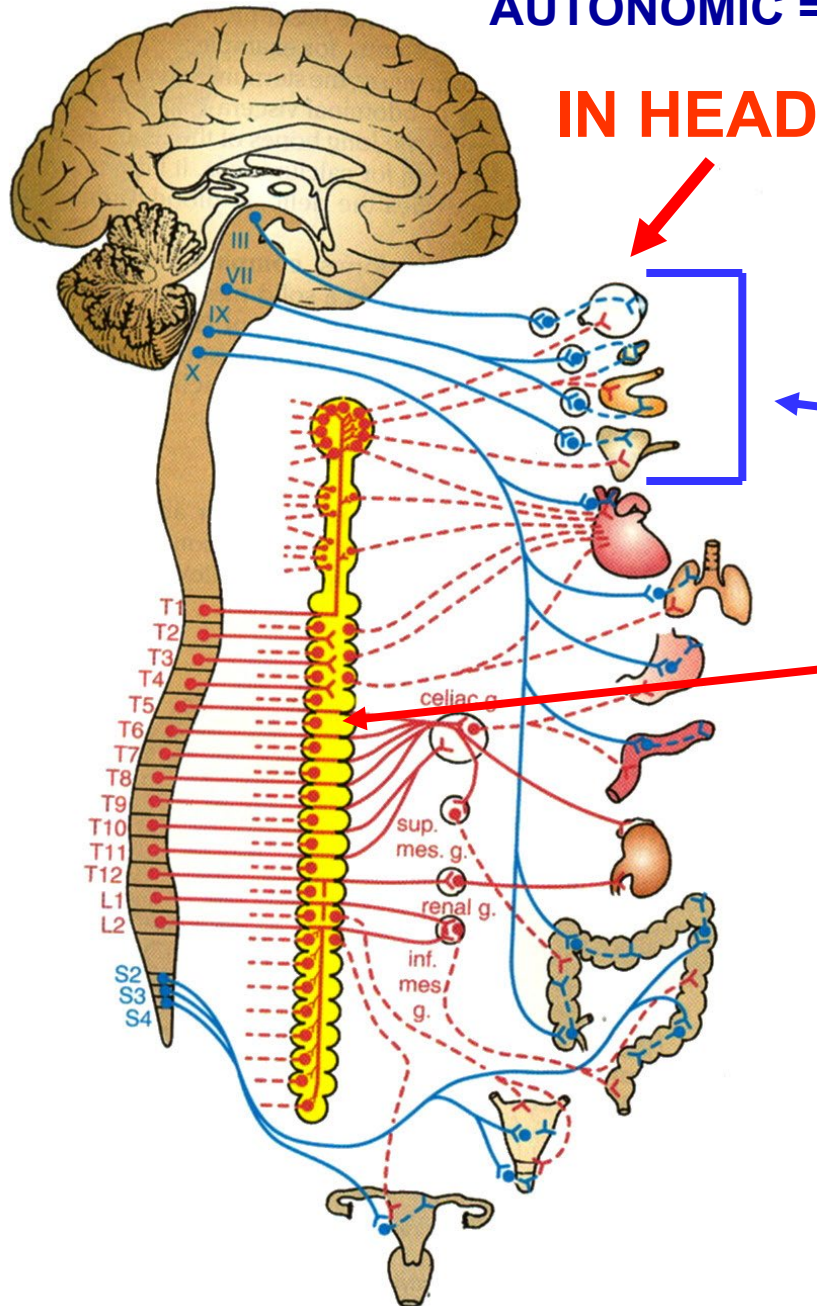


Autonomic Nervous system =  
Visceral nervous system -  
involuntary, unconscious part of  
nervous system

a. Visceral Motor (parasympathetic and sympathetic efferents) - control smooth and cardiac muscle, glands and internal organs; largely **unconscious actions (autonomic means self-regulating or automatic)**.

b. Visceral Sensory (afferents) - sensory neurons that innervate internal organs, blood vessels; only provide **imprecise localization of sensation** and dull sense of pressure, pain, etc.

# AUTONOMIC = VISCERAL NERVOUS SYSTEM IN HEAD



**IN HEAD**

## VISCERAL MOTOR Autonomic

**Nervous system** = Visceral nervous system - involuntary, unconscious part of nervous system

a. Parasympathetic (CRANIO-SACRAL outflow - IN CRANIAL NERVES) -

specific pathway in four cranial nerves

b. Sympathetics - not in cranial nerves - come from spinal cord - **THORACO-LUMBAR outflow**

c. Visceral Afferents - (not shown in diagram); sensory neurons that innervate internal organs, blood vessels; only provide **imprecise localization of sensation and dull sense of pressure, pain, etc.** - follow parasympathetic and sympathetic - in HEAD, some specific.

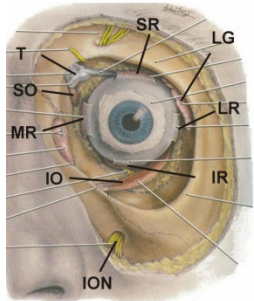


# SOME TYPES OF NEURONS ARE ONLY FOUND IN THE HEAD (IN CRANIAL NERVES)

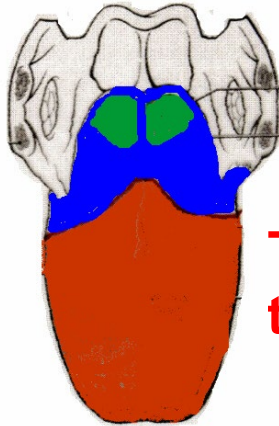
Special Senses - vision, audition, vestibular

Chemical senses: taste and smell

Branchiomotor - Skeletal muscles derived from branchial (gill) arches

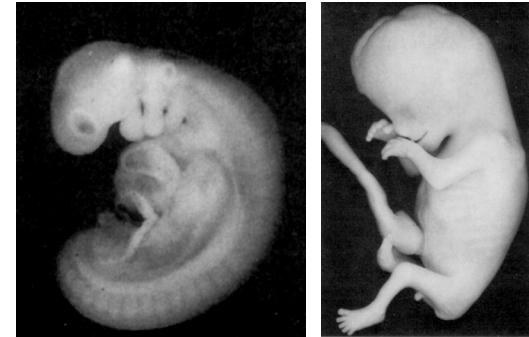


EYE

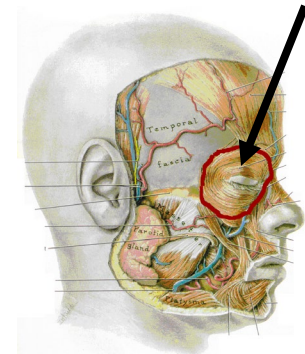


TONGUE - taste

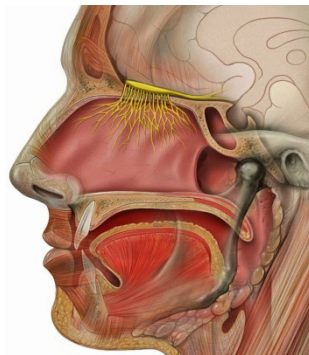
FISH-LIKE → HUMAN



SKELETAL MUSCLES



EAR



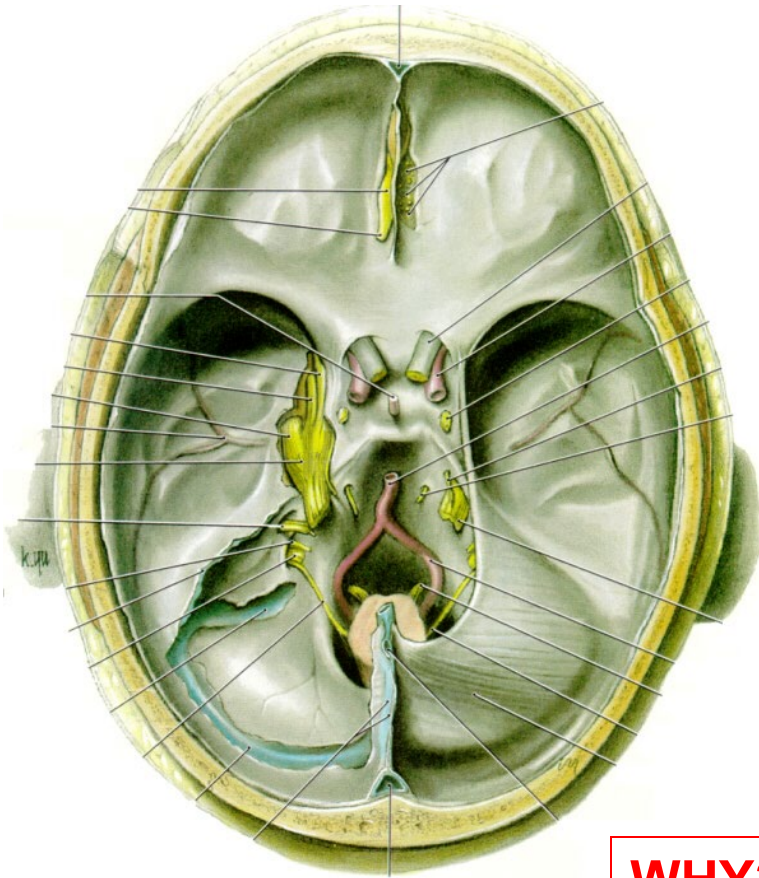
NOSE - smell

# HOW ARE THESE TYPES OF NEURONS DISTRIBUTED IN CRANIAL NERVES?

## TYPES OF NEURONS

1. Somatic motor
2. Somatic sensory
3. Visceral motor
4. Visceral sensory
5. Special senses
6. Chemical senses
7. Branchiomotor

CRANIAL NERVES IN CRANIAL CAVITY



## CRANIAL NERVES

- |                 |                          |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| I. Olfactory    | VII. Facial              |
| II. Optic       | VIII. Vestibulo-cochlear |
| III. Oculomotor | IX. Glossopharyngeal     |
| IV. Trochlear   | X. Vagus                 |
| V. Trigeminal   | XI. Accessory            |
| VI. Abducens    | XII. Hypoglossal         |

**WHY? TYPES OF NEURONS CORRESPOND TO COLUMNS OF NUCLEI IN THE BRAINSTEM**

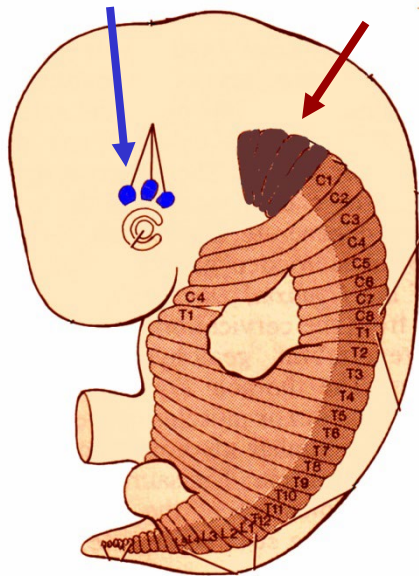
# SOMATIC MOTOR

motor to skeletal muscle derived from somites (myotomes) ; only two groups in head

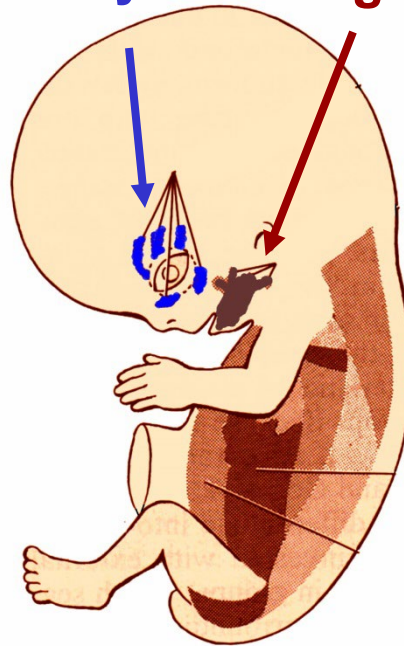
Extrinsic Muscles  
of eye of tongue

Preotic

Occipital



6 weeks



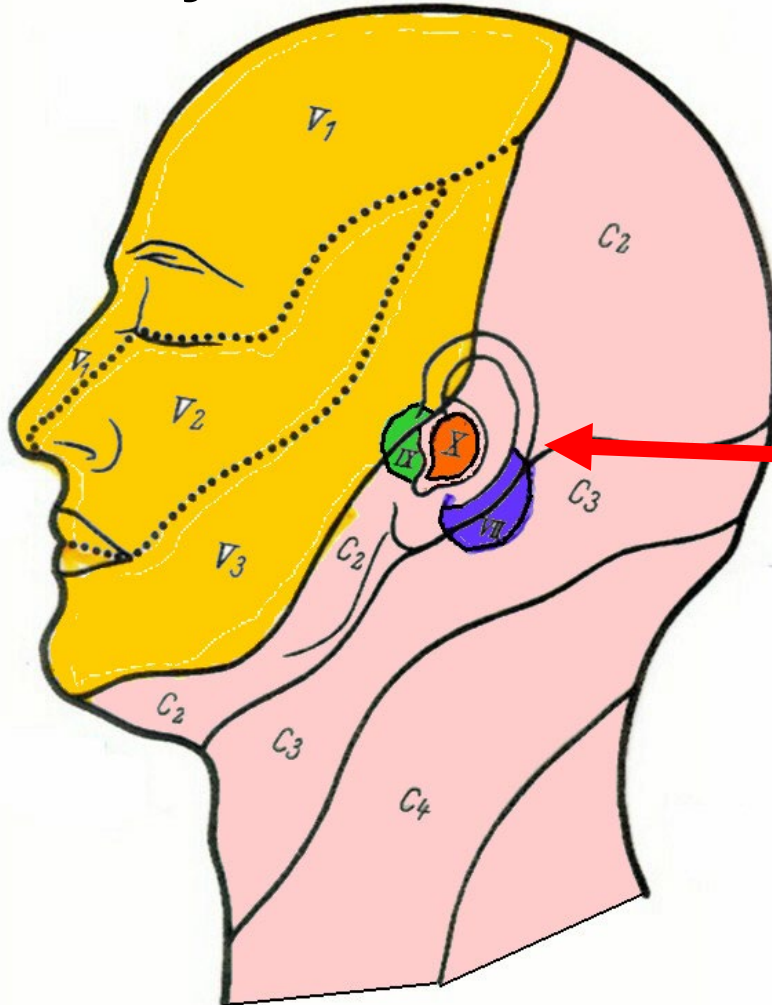
8 weeks

1) Preotic somites (somitomers) form extrinsic muscles of EYE: in CN III - Oculomotor, IV - Trochlear, VI - Abducens.

2) Occipital somites form muscles of TONGUE - in CN XII Hypoglossal N.

# SOMATIC SENSORY

sensory to skin, ORAL cavity, NASAL cavity, joints, muscles



**ALMOST ALL  
TRIGEMINAL V  
EXCEPTION:  
SKIN OF OUTER EAR –  
FOUR CRANIAL  
NERVES**

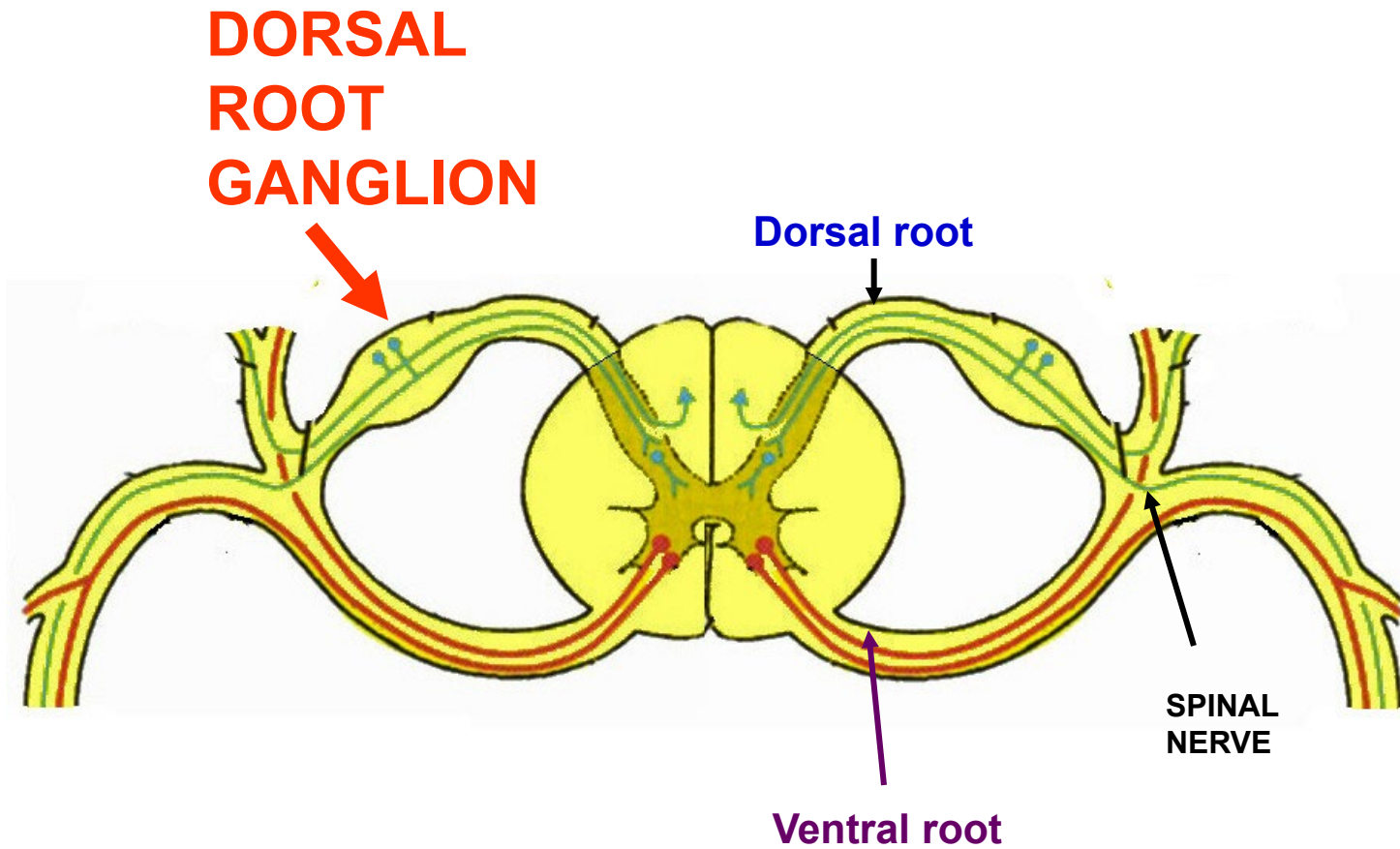
- 1) V - TRIGEMINAL
- 2) VII- FACIAL
- 3) IX - GLOSSO-  
PHARYNGEAL
- 4) X - VAGUS



**BELL'S PALSY (VII) - PARALYSIS OF FACIAL MUSCLES; IN RECOVERY, PATIENTS COMPLAIN OF EARACHES**



# SENSORY CELL BODIES IN DORSAL ROOT GANGLIA IN SPINAL CORD



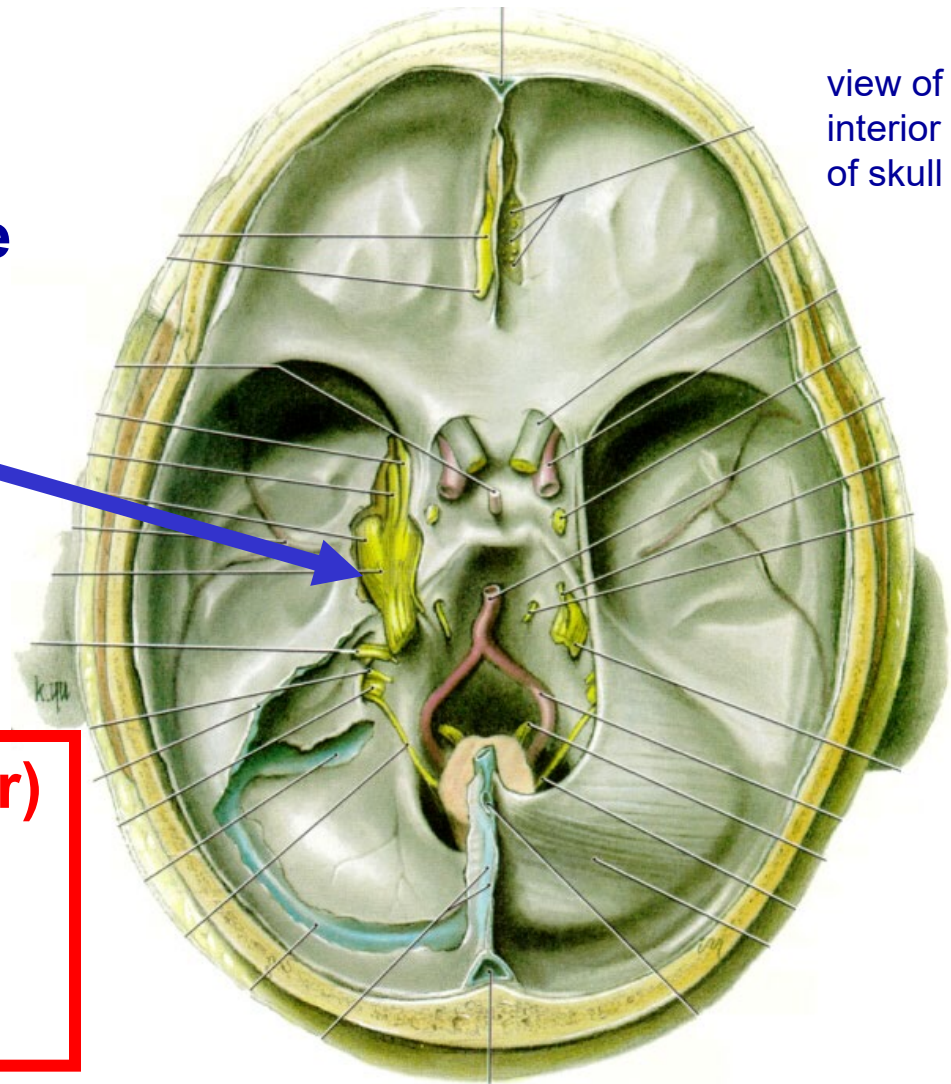
# SENSORY GANGLIA ARE ATTACHED TO CRANIAL NERVES

- cell bodies of sensory neurons in Trigeminal Nerve are in Trigeminal (Semilunar) Ganglion

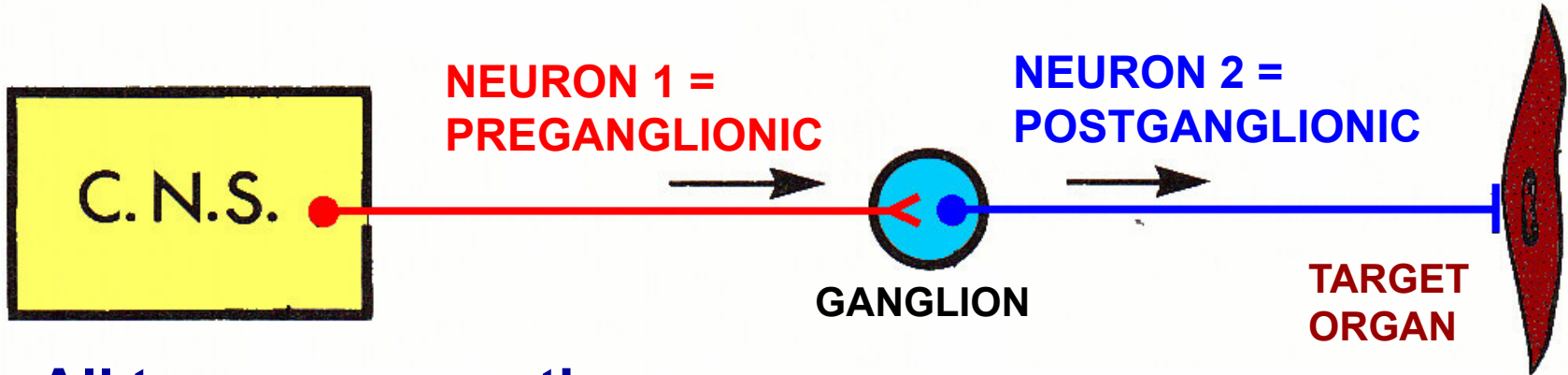
**Clinical - Mass (ex. tumor) pressing on Trigeminal Ganglion can produce numbness, intense pain**

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Cell bodies of sensory neurons in VII (Facial Nerve) in Geniculate Ganglion



# VISCERAL MOTOR = AUTONOMIC NERVOUS SYSTEM



All two neuron pathways:

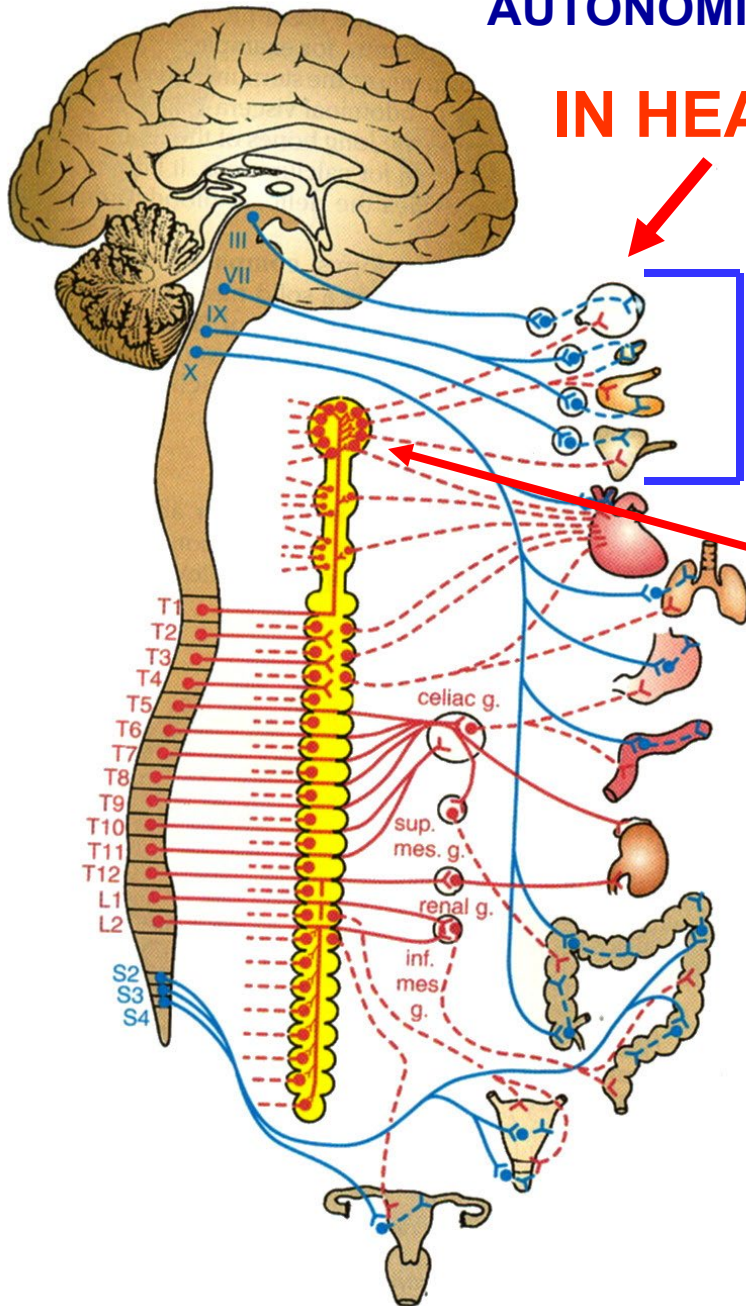
- 1) Neuron 1 = Preganglionic neuron - cell body in CNS; axon leaves CNS and synapses in autonomic ganglion
- 2) Neuron 2 = Post ganglionic neuron - cell body in autonomic ganglion; axon goes to target organ

note: Sympathetic - ganglia close to vertebrae

Parasympathetic - ganglia close to target organ

# AUTONOMIC = VISCERAL NERVOUS SYSTEM IN HEAD

**IN HEAD**



**VISCERAL MOTOR Autonomic Nervous system** = Visceral nervous system - involuntary, unconscious part of nervous system

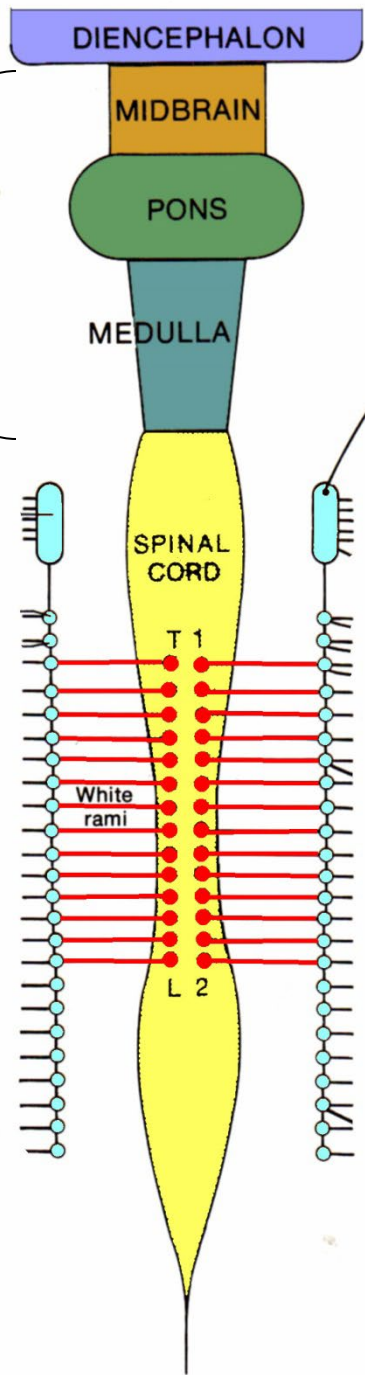
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# BRAIN - parts of brainstem



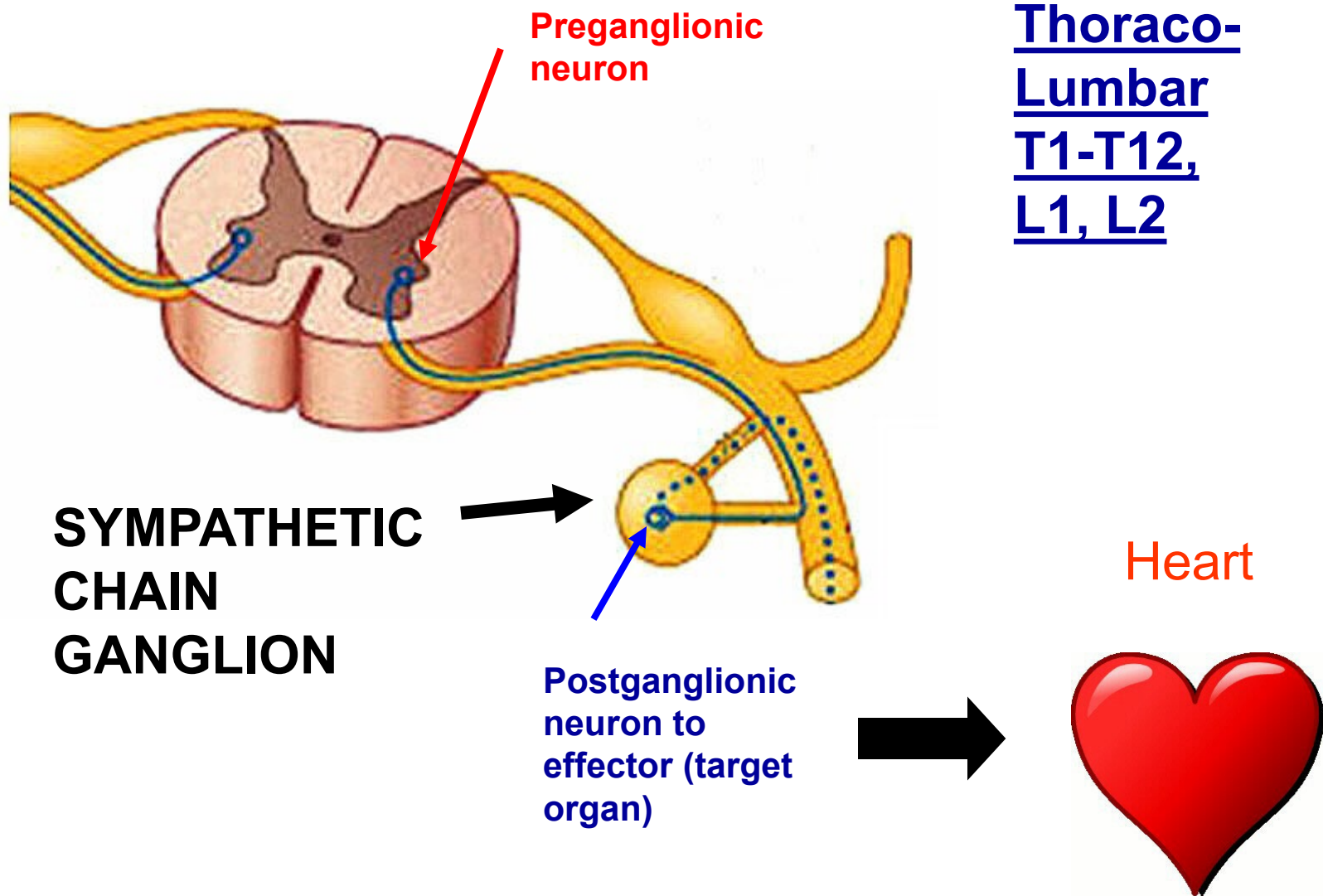
Sympathetic outflow (preganglionic neurons)

# SYMPATHETIC AUTONOMICS

**Sympathetics - not in cranial nerves - come from spinal cord - All preganglionic sympathetics come out spinal cord at Thoracic and Lumbar levels**

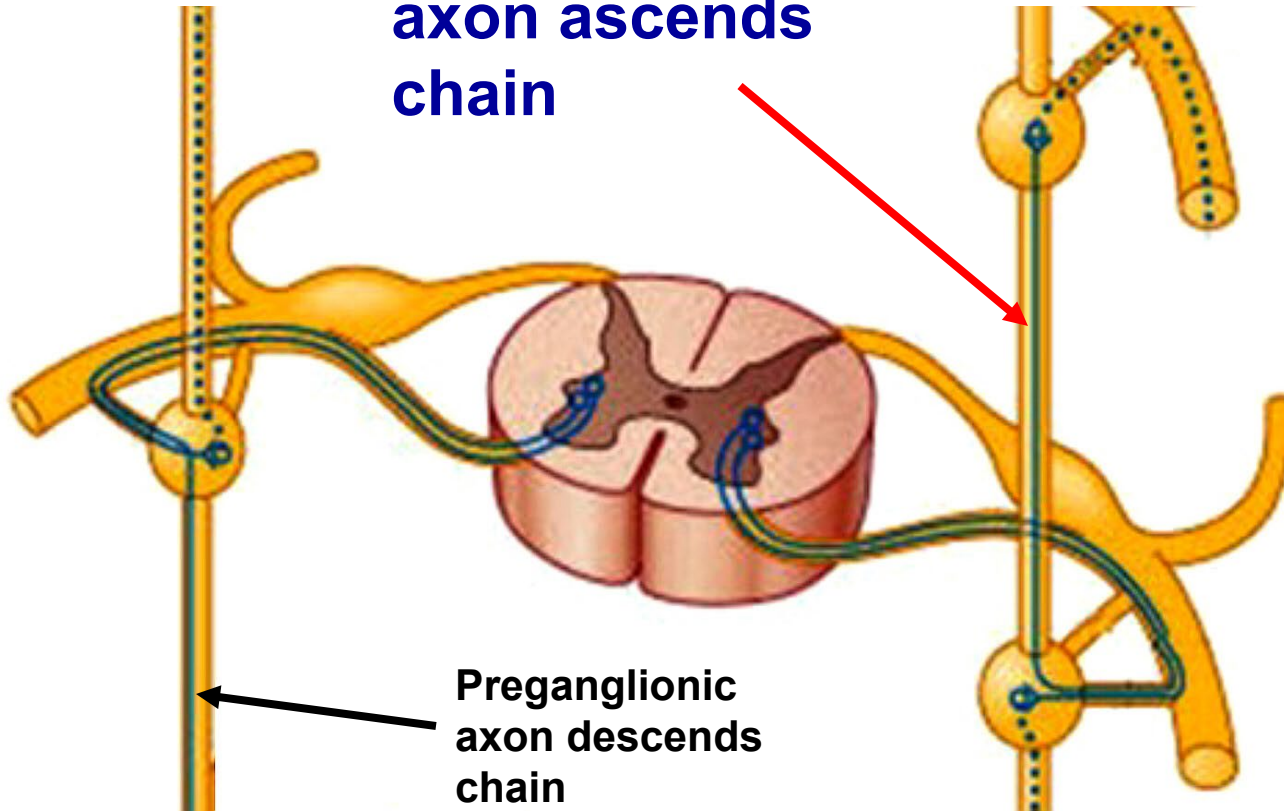
**To supply rest of body - some preganglionic fibers ascend or descend in sympathetic chain**

# SYMPATHETICS IN THORAX, ABDOMEN



# SYMPATHETICS TO HEAD

**Preganglionic axon ascends chain**



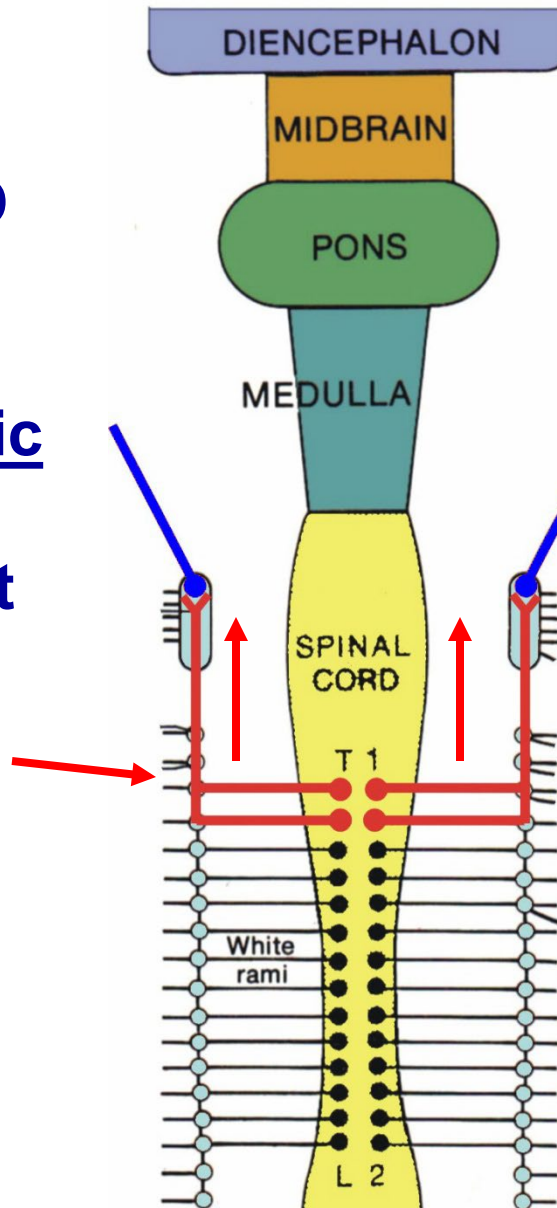
**Preganglionic axon descends chain**

**PATHWAY TO HEAD -**  
**Preganglionic neuron in spinal cord at T1, T2**  
**- leaves and ascends sympathetic chain**

**SYMPATHETICS CAN ALSO COME OUT AND ASCEND OR DESCEND SYMPATHETIC CHAIN TO TERMINATE IN OTHER GANGLIA**

# SYMPATHETICS TO HEAD

**PATHWAY TO HEAD -**  
**1) Neuron 1**  
**(Preganglionic neuron)** in spinal cord at T1, T2  
- leaves and ascends sympathetic chain



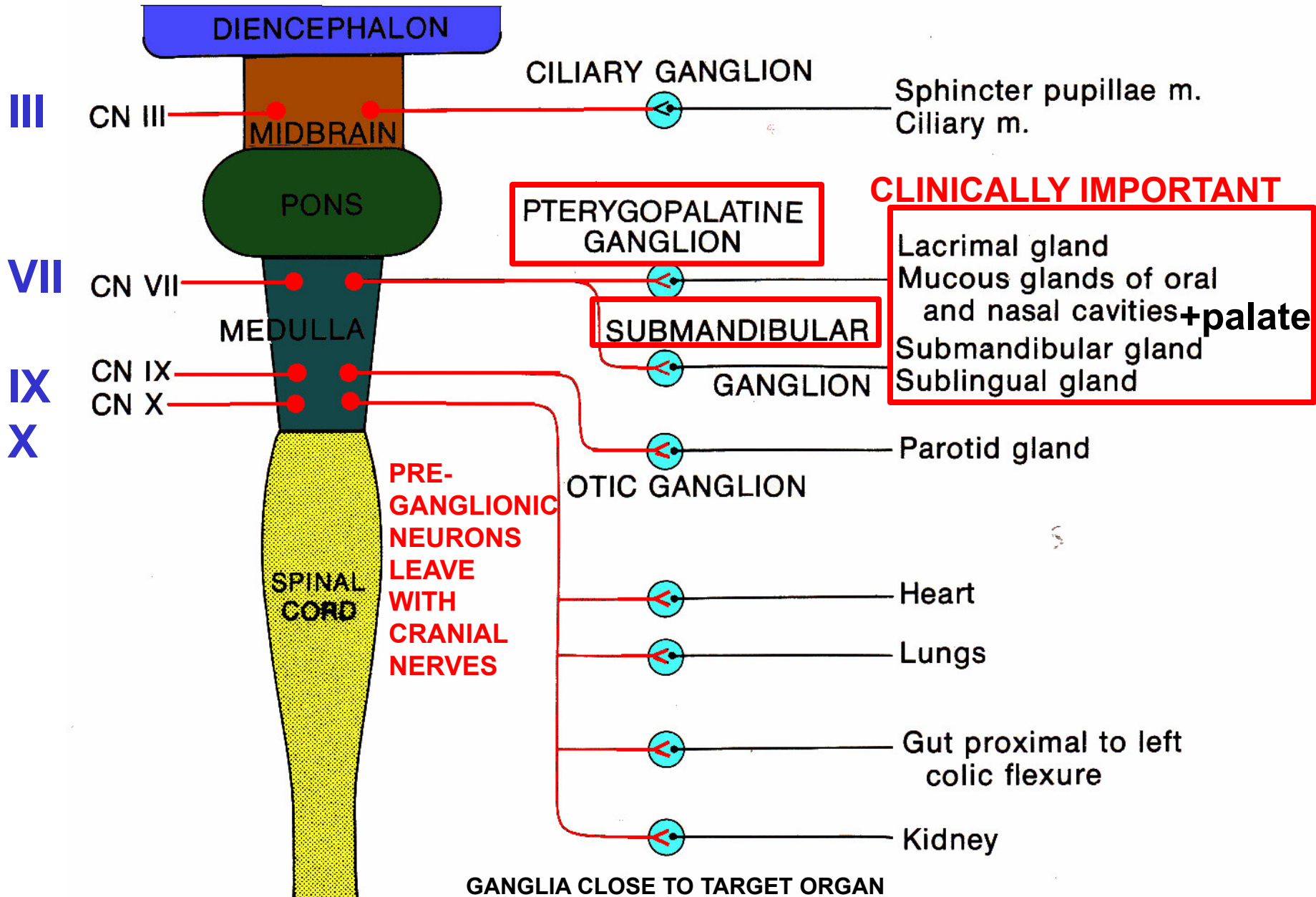
**to Target Organ**

Joins Plexus on Internal and External Carotid Arteries in mostly **Unnamed branches**

**2) Neuron 2**  
**(Postganglionic neuron)** In **Superior Cervical Ganglia**



# PARASYMPATHETICS - IN CRANIAL NERVES

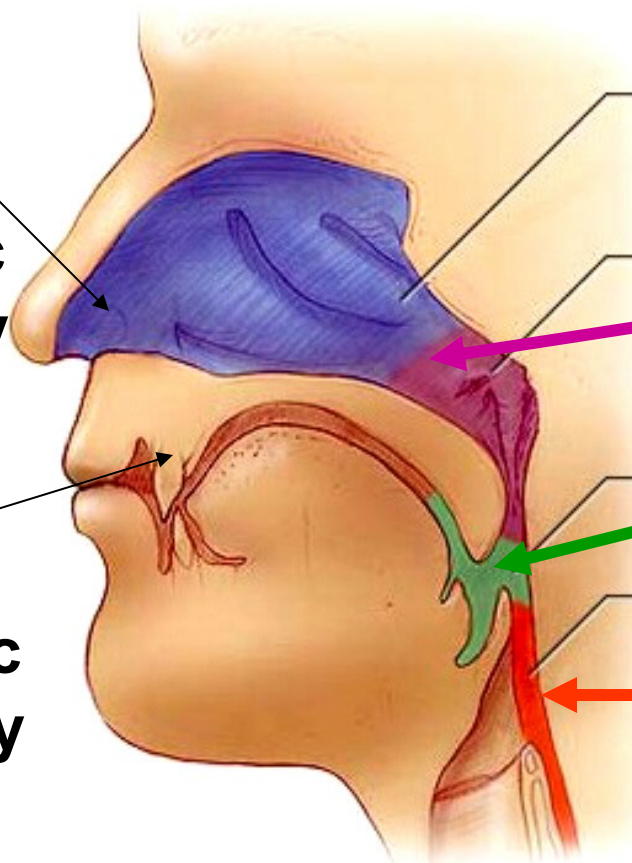


# VISCERAL SENSORY

Sensory to Pharynx and derivatives

Nasal  
Cavity  
Somatic  
Sensory

Oral  
Cavity  
Somatic  
Sensory



All Pharynx is  
Visceral Sensory  
In 3 Cranial Nerves

**NASOPHARYNX - VII**

**OROPHARYNX - IX**

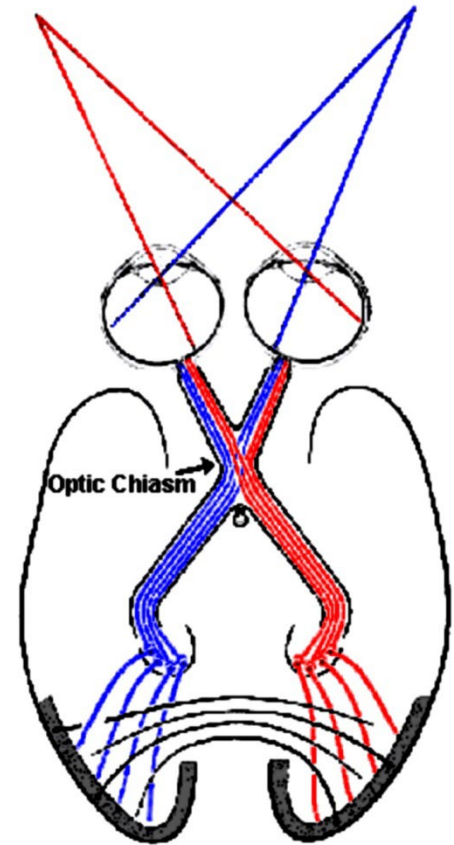
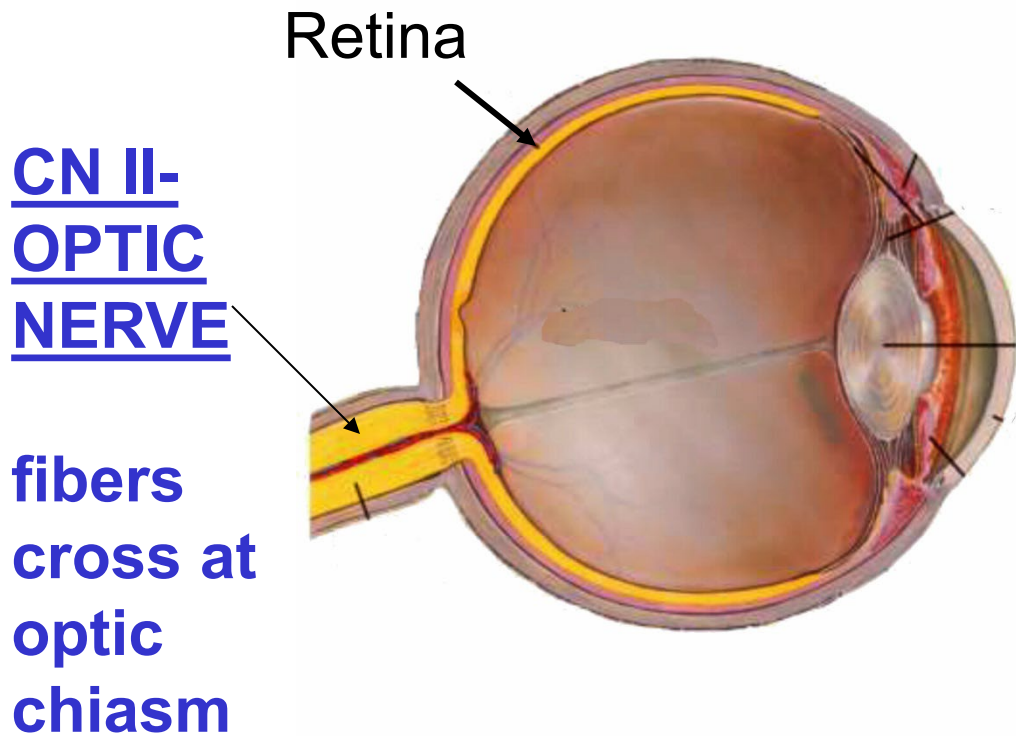
**LARYNGOPHARYNX - X**

**PHARYNX IS UPPER PART OF GI TRACT = VISCERAL**

**Note: Authors disagree on innervation of nasopharynx**

# SPECIAL SENSES

Special senses only found in head - vision II,  
hearing and balance VIII

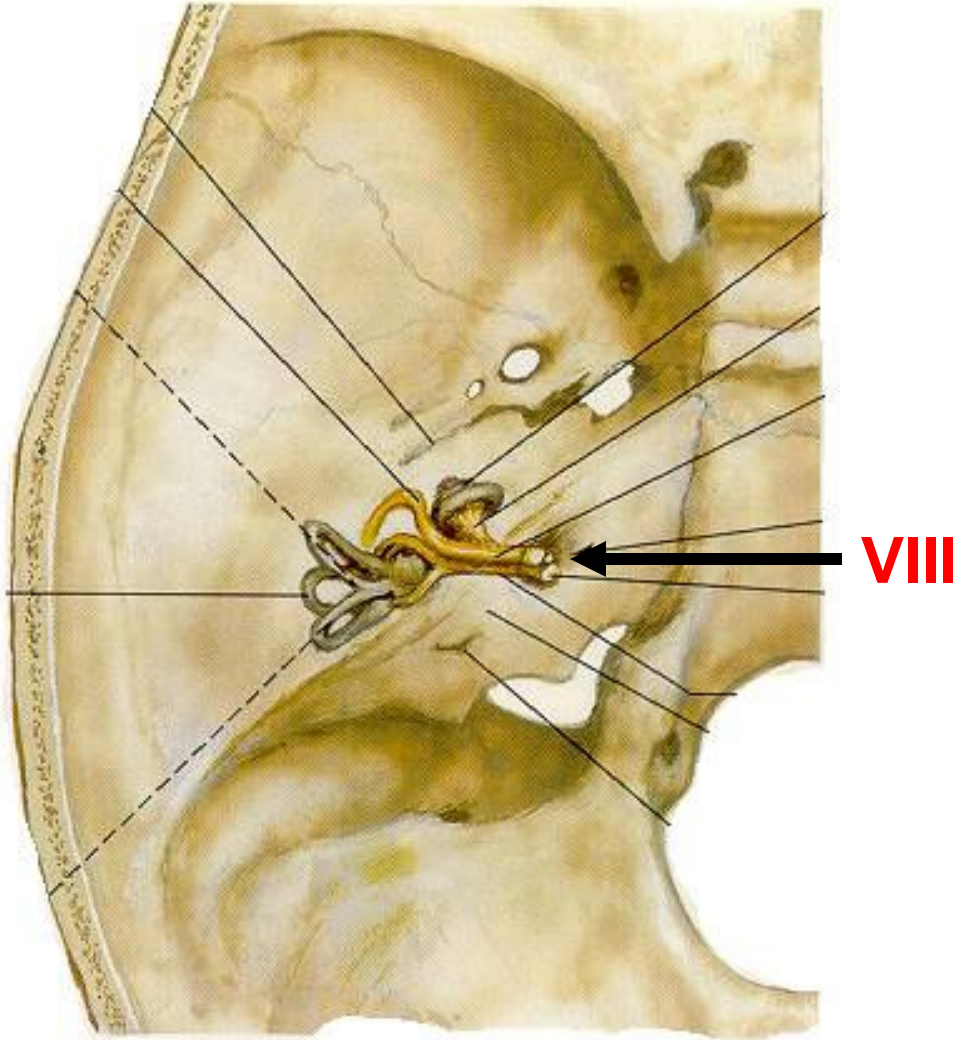


# SPECIAL SENSES

## VIII - VESTIBULO- COCHLEAR

to 1) cochlea - hearing  
2) semicircular canals -  
(vestibular apparatus) -  
balance

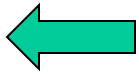
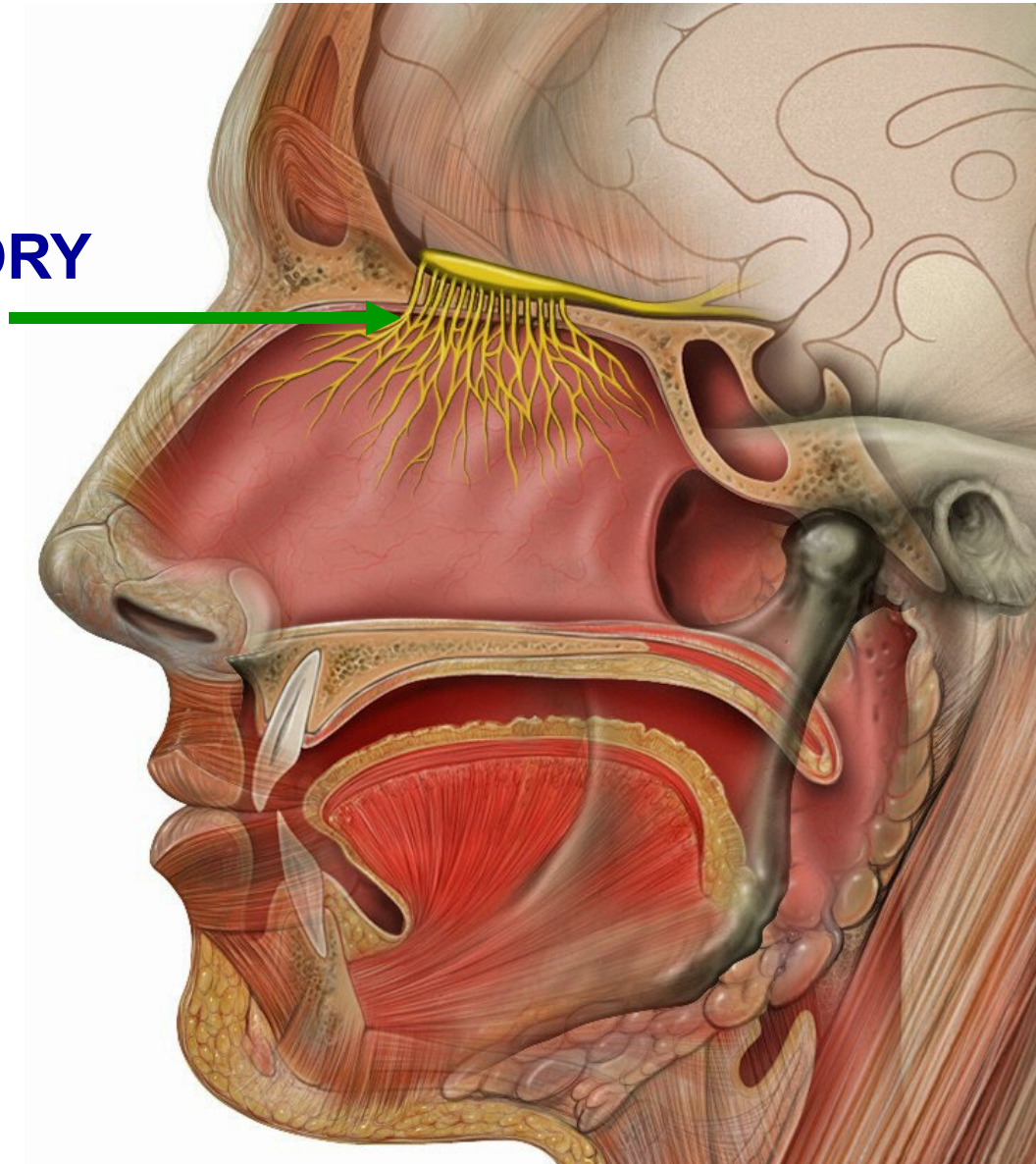
in petrous part of  
temporal bone



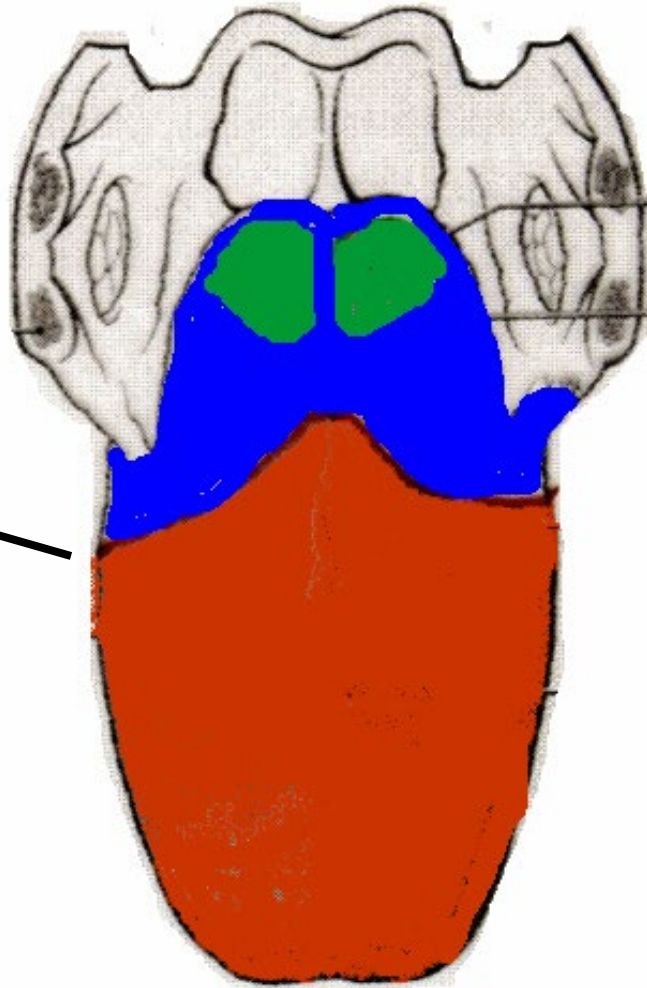


# CHEMICAL SENSES - TASTE AND SMELL

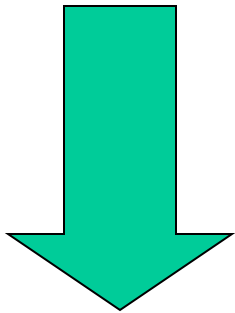
**I - OLFACTORY  
NERVE -  
SMELL**



# CHEMICAL SENSES - TASTE - in three cranial nerves



**TONGUE**



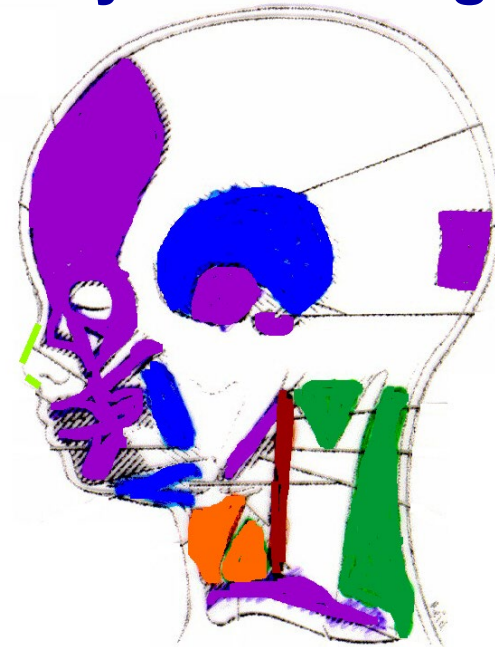
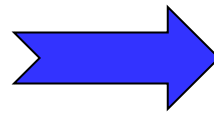
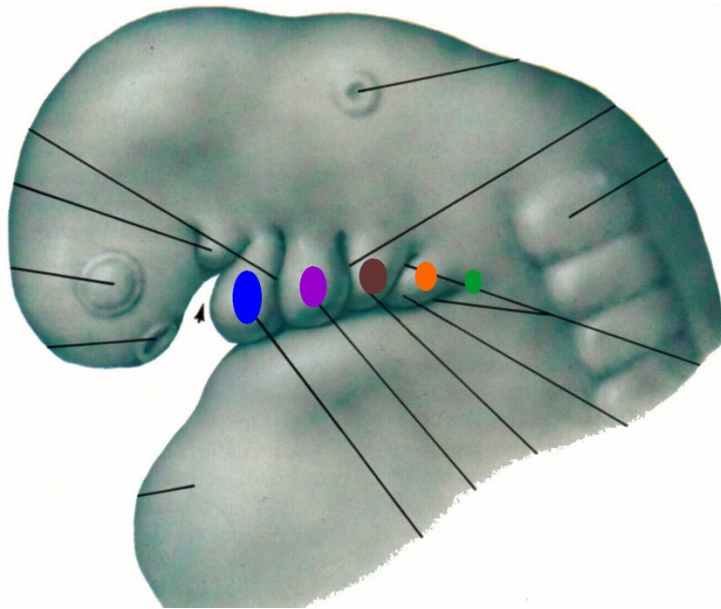
**X - VAGUS -  
ant. to epiglottis**

**IX - GLOSSO-  
PHARYNGEAL  
post. 1/3 of tongue**

**VII - FACIAL -  
ant. 2/3 of tongue**

# BRANCHIOMOTOR

- motor to voluntary skeletal muscles derived from branchial arches
- 'visceral' because develop in pharynx then migrate



**First -  
Trigeminal  
V**

**Second -  
Facial  
VII**

**Third  
Glosso-  
pharyngeal  
IX**

**Fourth  
Vagus  
X**

**Sixth  
Accessory  
XI**

**10) BRANCHIOMOTOR** - voluntary motor to skeletal muscles of face, ear, pharynx and neck that are derived from branchial arches.

Nerve

Innervates

V (Trigeminal)  
(all in V3)

muscles of mastication  
mylohyoid  
tensor tympani  
tensor palati  
anterior belly of digastric

VII (Facial)

muscles of facial expression  
stylohyoid  
posterior belly of digastric  
stapedius

IX (Glossopharyngeal)

stylopharyngeus

X (Vagus)

all muscles of pharynx (except stylopharyngeus)  
muscles of larynx  
all muscles of palate (except tensor palati)

XI (Accessory)

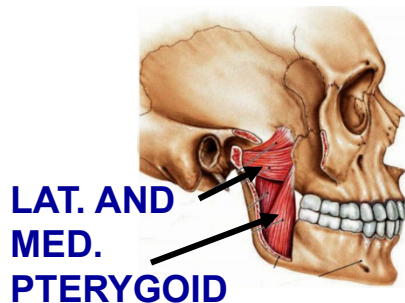
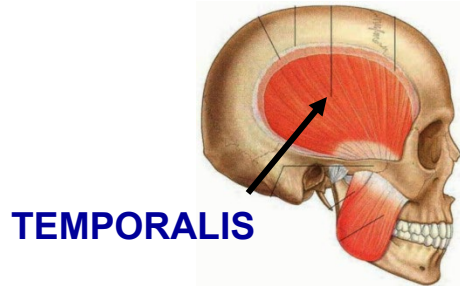
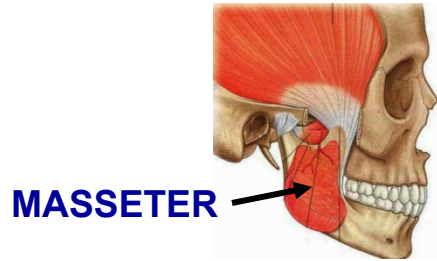
sternocleidomastoid  
trapezius

**KNOW THIS FOR EXAMS (ALSO STEP 1)**



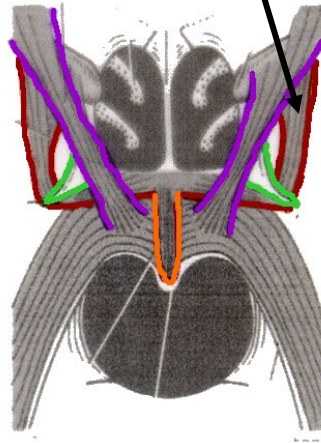
# V - TRIGEMINAL - BRANCHIOMOTOR

## MUSCLES OF MASTICATION

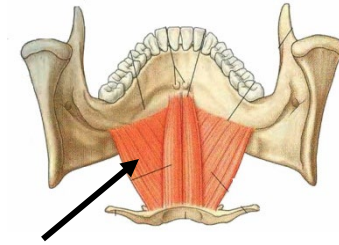
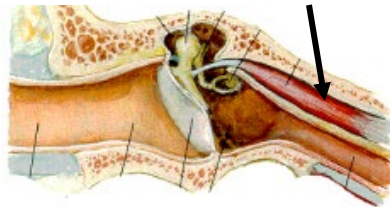


**ACTIONS - MOST CLOSE MOUTH -  
MASSETER, TEMPORALIS, MED. PTERYGOID  
OPEN MOUTH - LAT. PTERYGOID**

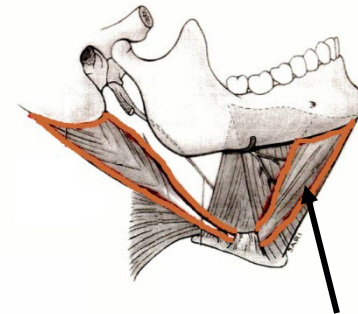
**TENSOR PALATI -  
tenses palate in  
swallowing**



**TENSOR TYMPANI -  
dampen sound**



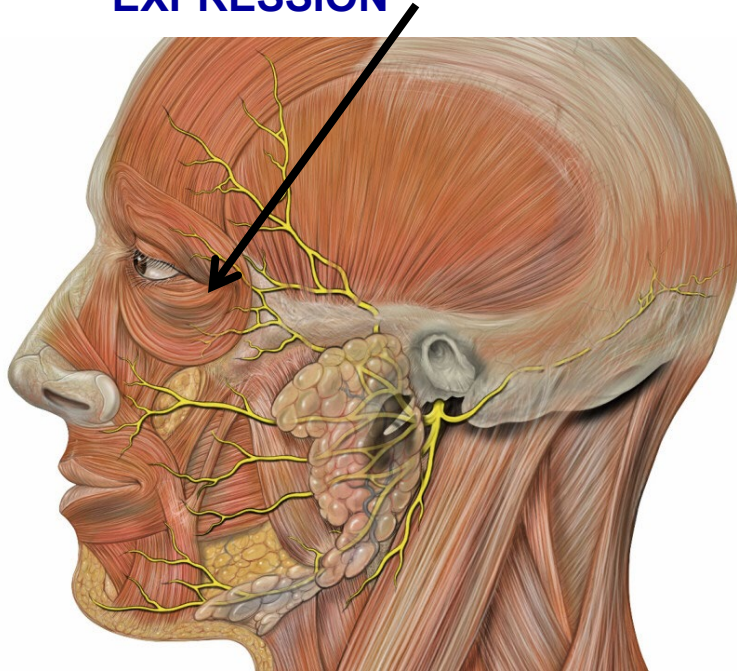
**MYLOHYOID -  
raise floor of  
mouth in  
swallowing**



**ANT. BELLY OF  
DIGASTRIC -  
opens mouth**

# VII BRANCHIOMOTOR

## MUSCLES OF FACIAL EXPRESSION

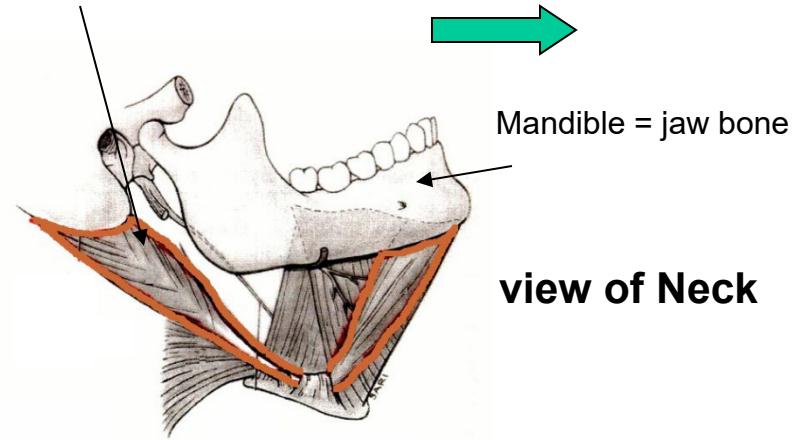


## FACIAL PARALYSIS

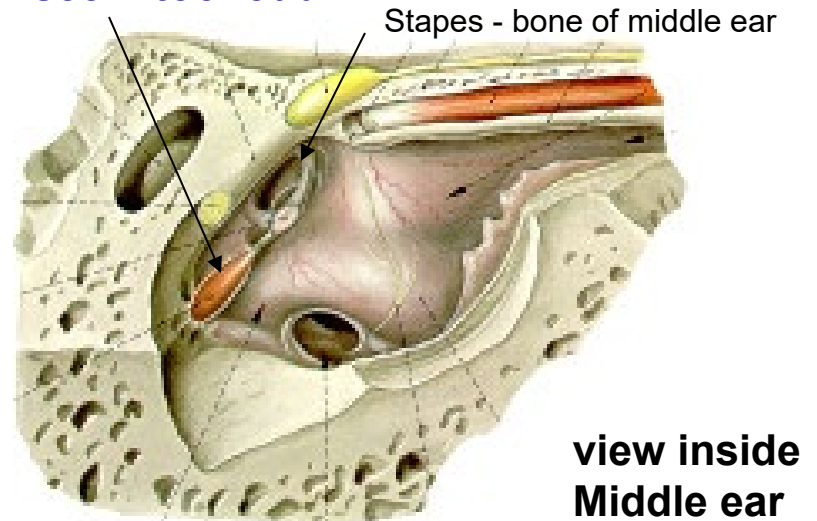
sagging face  
loss of naso-labial fold  
inability to close eye



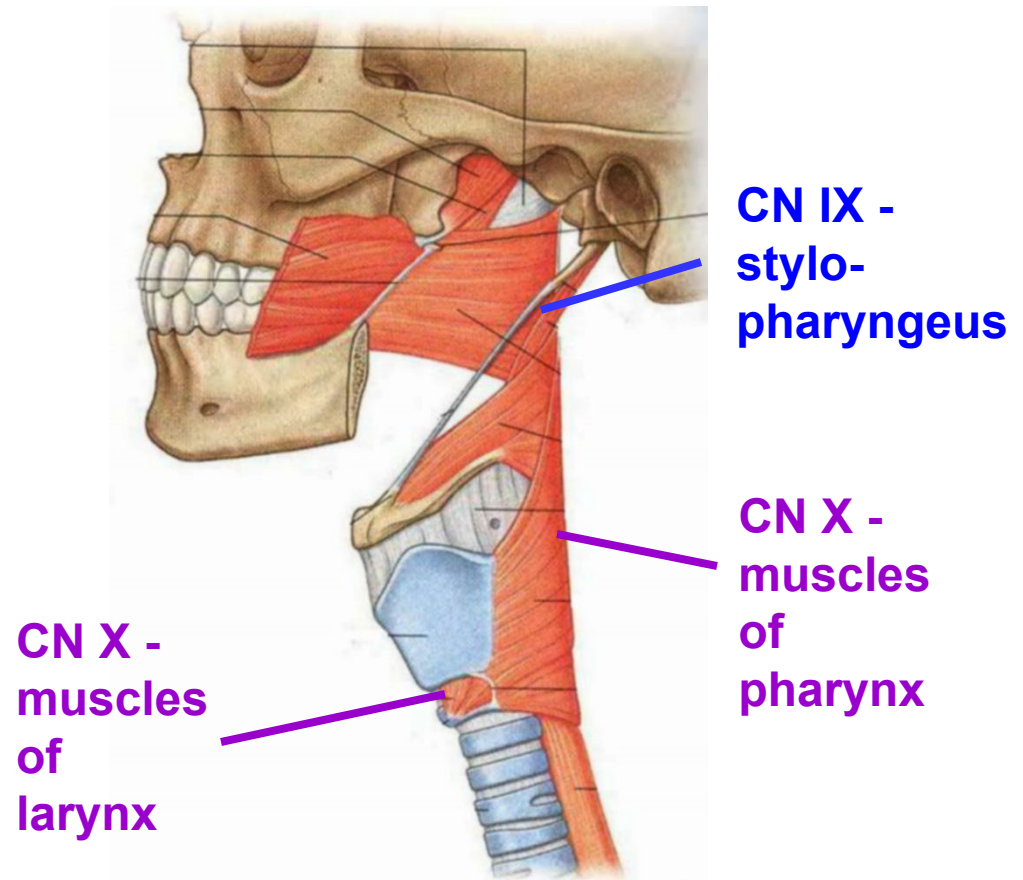
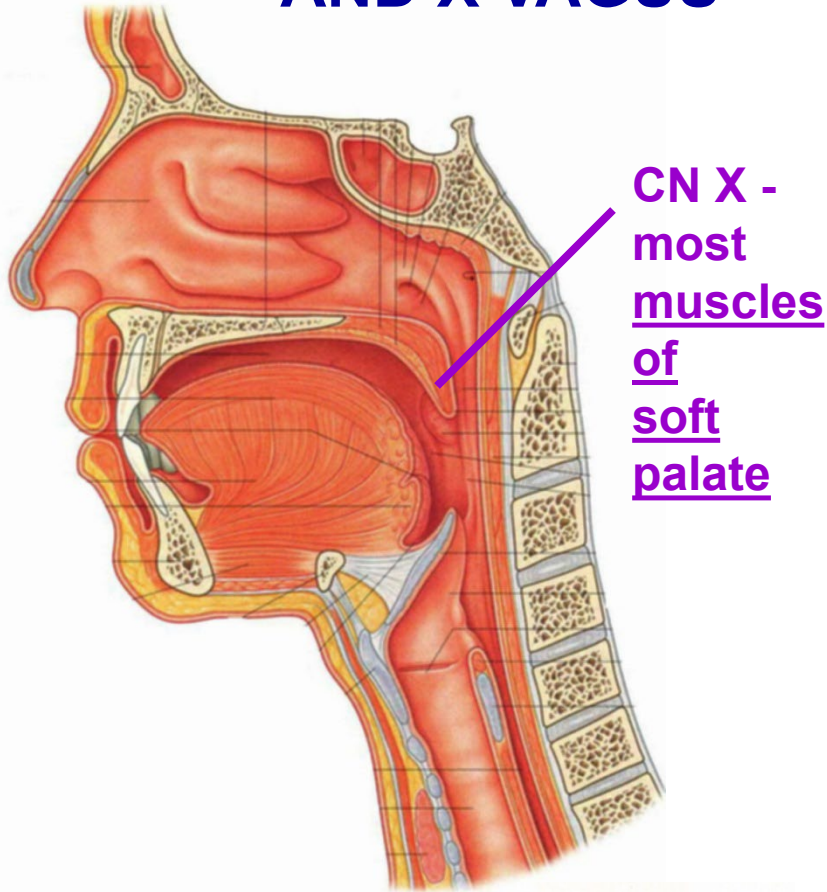
## STYLOHYOID, POST. BELLY DIGASTRIC



## STAPEDIUS - dampens sound - DAMAGE HYPERCOUSIA - sounds seem too loud



# BRANCHIOMOTOR - IX GLOSSOPHARYNGEAL AND X VAGUS



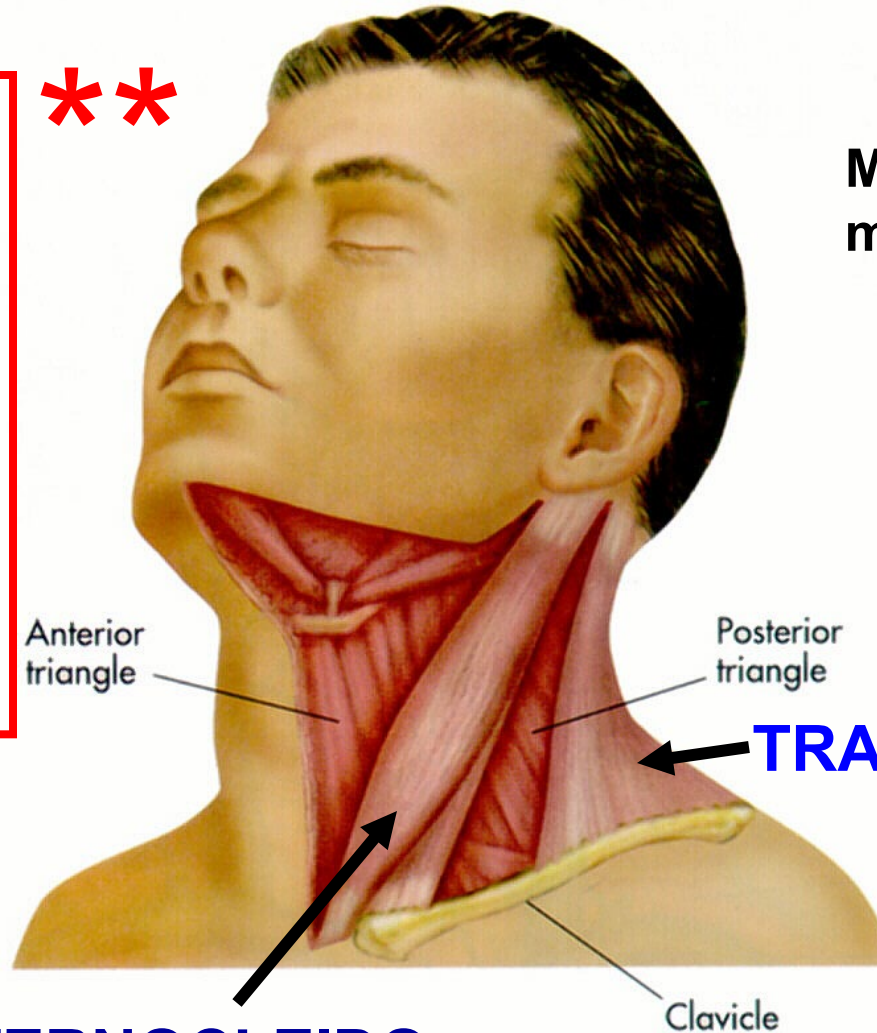
**TEST BY HAVING PATIENT SAY AAHH!**



# XI - ACCESSORY NERVE - BRANCHIOMOTOR

**Clinical Test  
for  
XI (Accessory  
N.) -**  
1) Shrug  
shoulders  
2) Rotate head  
against  
resistance

**\*\***



Motor to two  
muscles

**\*\***

**TRAPEZIUS**

**Shrug  
shoulders**

**STERNOCLEIDO-  
MASTOID**

Turn head



# SUMMARY TYPES OF NEURONS IN CRANIAL NERVES

TYPES OF NEURONS	INNERVATE	ASSOCIATED CRANIAL NERVES	CLINICAL
SOMATIC MOTOR (GSE)	Motor to voluntary skeletal muscles (derived from somites)	CN III, IV, VI - 1) Extraocular muscles (pre-otic somites) CN XII - muscles of tongue (occipital somites)	see ORBIT, TONGUE lectures
SOMATIC SENSORY (GSA)	<u>Precise sensation</u> Sensory to skin, joints (oral cavity, nasal cavity)	CN V - mostly V1 - Ophthalmic (above angle of eye) V2 - Maxillary (angle of eye to angle of mouth) V3 - Mandibular (below angle of mouth)  also Skin of External (Outer) Ear - V, VII, IX, X	1) Trigeminal Neuralgia - pain in region of affected division 2) Bell's palsy (VII) - pain in outer ear
VISCERAL MOTOR (GVE) (Parasympathetics in Cranial Nerves)	Smooth muscles, Glands, etc. (ganglia close to target organ)	III - Ciliary ganglion - Pupillary constrictor, Ciliary muscle VII - Pterygopalatine ganglion - Lacrimal gland, mucous glands of nose and palate VII - Submandibular ganglion - Submandibular, Sublingual salivary glands IX - Otic ganglion - Parotid	see Associated lectures (Orbit; Nasal, Oral Cavities; Ear)
VISCERAL SENSORY (GVA)	<u>Imprecise sensation</u> : Innervation of Gut, Blood Vessels, etc. Specific for Innervation of Pharynx, Middle Ear	Pharynx VII - Nasopharynx IX - Oropharynx X - Laryngopharynx also Middle Ear - IX	Imprecise localization in Choking on food; Middle ear infections
SPECIAL SENSES (SSA)	Vision, Audition, Balance	II - Vision VIII - Audition (hearing), Balance (vestibular apparatus)	many; see associated lectures
CHEMICAL SENSE (SVA)	Taste, Smell	Taste is distributed: VII - anterior 2/3 of tongue IX - posterior 1/3 of tongue X - taste buds anterior to epiglottis Smell - I - olfaction	Damage produces loss of taste in region of innervation
BRANCHIO-MOTOR (SVE)	Voluntary skeletal muscles derived from Branchial Arches	V - muscles of First Branchial Arch VII - muscles of Second Branchial Arch IX - muscles of Third Branchial Arch X - muscles of Fourth and Sixth Branchial Arches XI - muscles of caudal Sixth Branchial arch (disagreement among authors)	see Branchial arch chart (above); also Branchial Arch Lecture, etc.  <b>'INCANTATION)</b>

**VII. SUMMARY OF TYPES OF NEURONS IN CRANIAL NERVES (parenthesis - OLD 3 Letter system)**

<b>Nerve</b>	<b>SOMATIC MOTOR (GSE)</b>	<b>BRANCHIO-MOTOR (SVE)</b>	<b>VISCERAL MOTOR (GVE)</b>	<b>SOMATIC SENSORY (GSA)</b>	<b>VISCERAL SENSORY (GVA)</b>	<b>CHEMICAL SENSE (SVA)</b>	<b>SPECIAL SENSES (SSA)</b>
III.	+		+				
IV.	+						
VI.	+						
XII.	+						
V.		+		+			
VII.		+	+	+	+	+	
IX.		+	+	+	+	+	
X.		+	+	+	+	+	
XI.		+					
I.						+	
II.							+
VIII.							+

## 2) CLASSIFICATION OF INNERVATION - 7 types of neurons - some are the same as found in spinal nerves; others are only found in cranial nerves

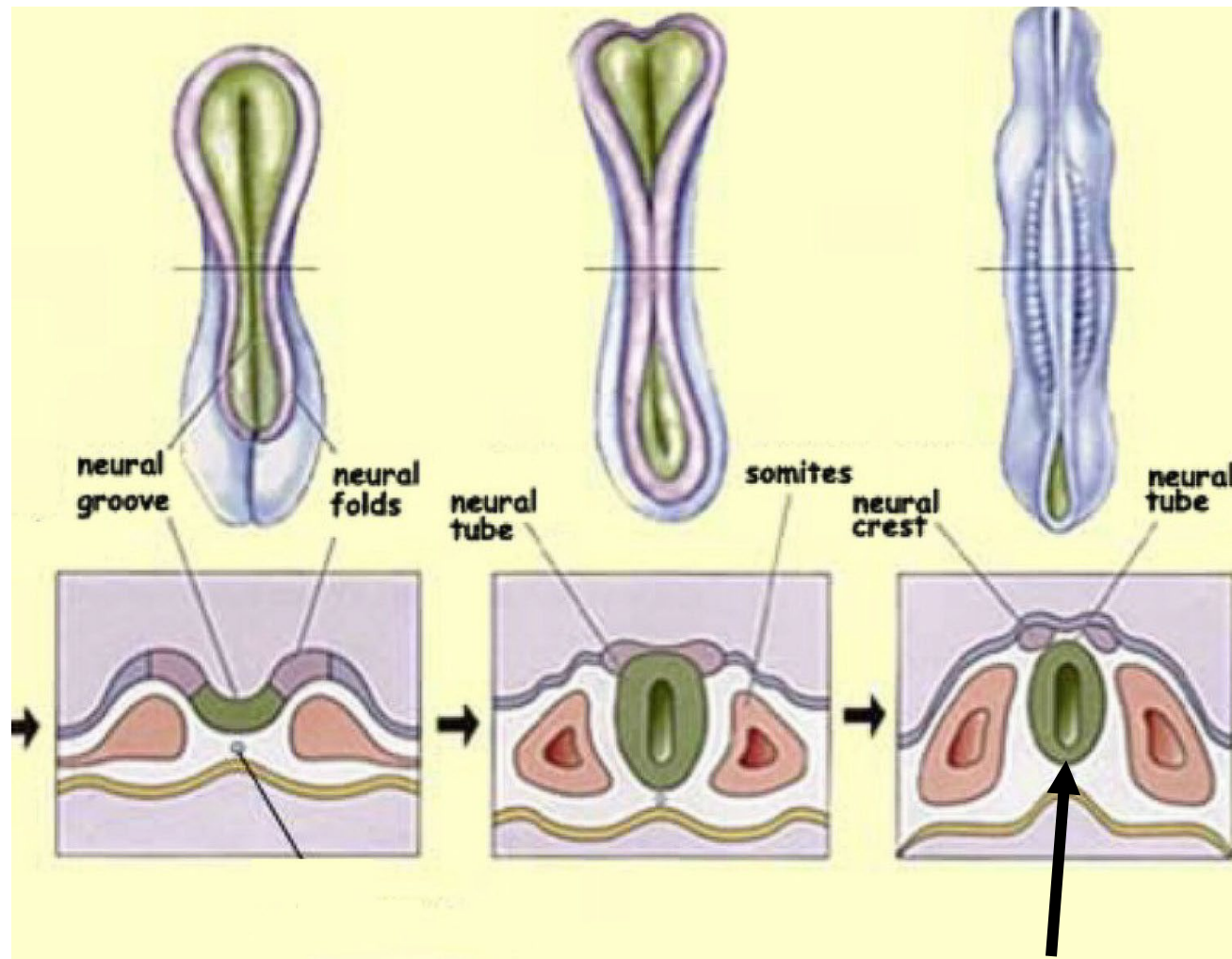
### A. Same as spinal nerves

1. **Somatic motor** - Voluntary skeletal muscles (from somites)
2. **Somatic sensory** - Precise sensation - sensory to skin, joints, muscle and tendon receptor endings, nasal and oral cavity
3. **Visceral motor** (efferents) - smooth, muscle glands; smooth muscles of skin (arrector pilae muscles) and blood vessels, secretomotor to glands
4. **Visceral sensory** - Imprecise sensation sensory to gut, blood vessels, glands and internal; in head: pharynx (rostral end of gut)

### B. Only in cranial nerves

5. **Special senses** - vision, hearing (auditory) and balance (vestibular apparatus)
6. **Chemical senses** - taste and smell
7. **Branchiomotor** - Voluntary skeletal muscles from branchial arches.

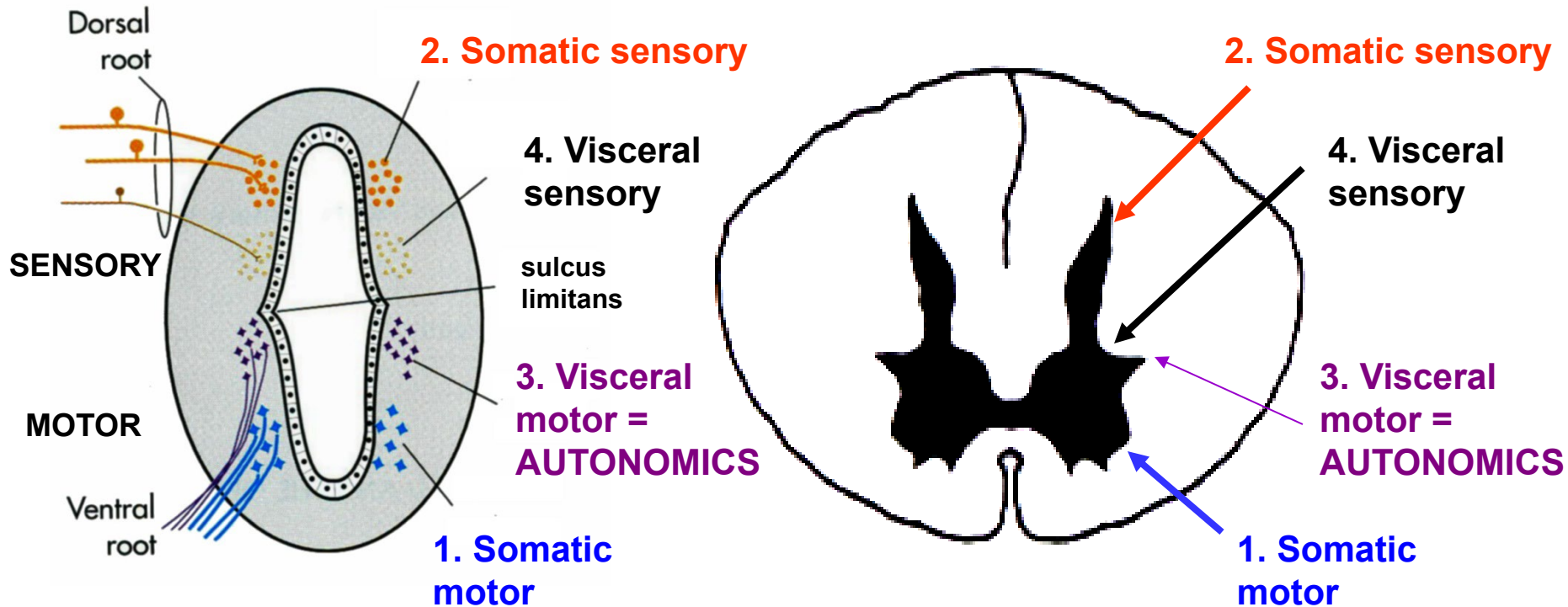
# WHY DO YOU NEED TO KNOW THIS? CLASSIFICATION IS REFLECTED IN CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM



Nervous system forms as a Neural Tube

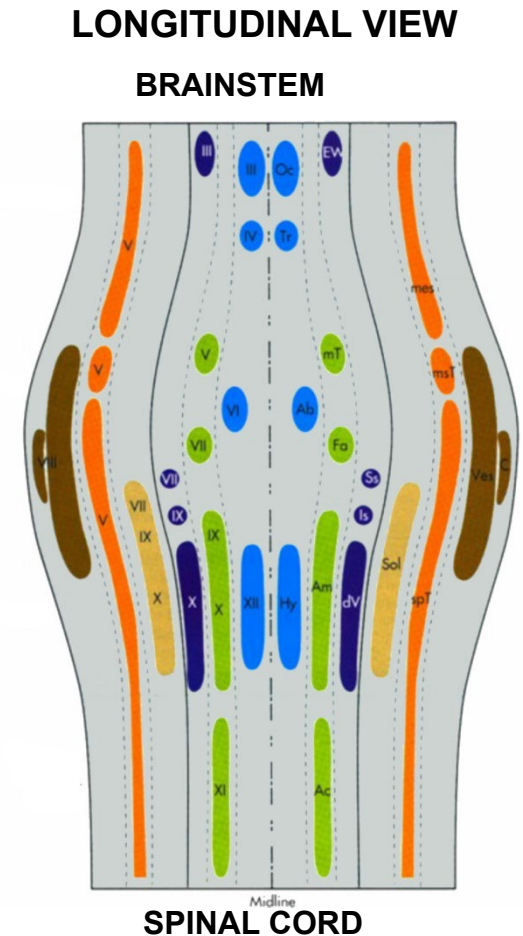
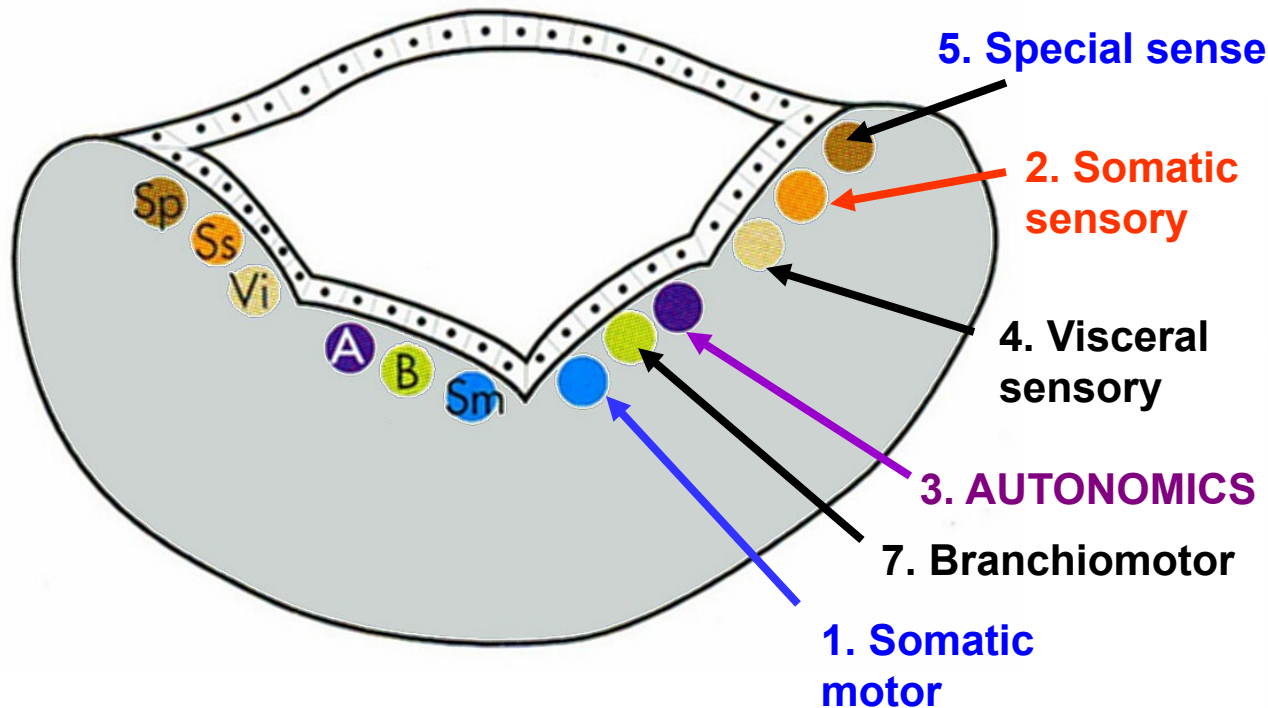


# WHY DO YOU NEED TO KNOW THIS? CLASSIFICATION IS REFLECTED IN CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM



Nervous system forms as a Neural Tube; cells form groups (columns); sensory dorsal, motor ventral; different types of neurons form columns that develop to adult locations

# WHY DO YOU NEED TO KNOW THIS? CLASSIFICATION IS REFLECTED IN CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM



**In brainstem, add more types of neurons; axons from cranial nerves arise from/project to columns of nuclei according to type of neuron**

# CRANIAL NERVE: CAPSULE SUMMARY

- I. Olfactory - smell
- II. Optic - vision
- III. Oculomotor - eye movements; also parasympathetics to eye smooth muscles
- IV. Trochlear - eye movements
- V. Trigeminal - sensory nerve to skin, also pain, temperature touch to oral and nasal cavities, (outer ear)
- VI. Abducens - eye movements
- VII. Facial - muscles of facial expression; also taste, parasympathetics
- VIII. Vestibulo-cochlear (Stato-acoustic) - hearing and balance
- IX. Glossopharyngeal - sensory to pharynx, back of tongue (Gag reflex)
- X. Vagus - motor to pharynx (most), larynx (voice box); soft palate; parasympathetics to thorax, abdomen
- XI. Accessory (Spinal Accessory) - motor to sternocleidomastoid, trapezius
- XII. Hypoglossal - motor to muscles of tongue

# APPENDIX: OLDER SYSTEM: CLASSIFICATION OF INNERVATION AS FUNCTIONAL COMPONENTS

## A. First letter

**G = General = types of neurons found both in spinal nerves and cranial nerves.**

**S = Special = types of neurons only found in cranial nerves not spinal nerves.**

## B. Second letter

**S = Somatic = types of neurons innervating structures derived from somites.**

**V = Visceral = types of neurons innervating gut, structures derived from or associated with gut and branchial arches; also vascular system, smooth muscle, internal organs and glands.**

## C. Third letter

**A = Afferent = sensory neurons.**

**E = Efferent = motor neurons to skeletal and smooth muscle; also secretomotor neurons to glands.**



# **CLASSIFICATION OF INNERVATION AS FUNCTIONAL COMPONENTS**

## **II. TRANSLATING TYPES OF NEURONS TO FUNCTIONAL COMPONENTS (ALPHABET SOUP)**

**Like spinal nerves -**

- 1. SOMATIC MOTOR = GSE - General Somatic Efferent**
- 2. SOMATIC SENSORY = GSA - General Somatic Afferent**
- 3. VISCERAL MOTOR = GVE - General Visceral Efferent**
- 4. VISCERAL SENSORY = GVA - General Visceral Afferent**

**Only in cranial nerves -**

- 5. SPECIAL SENSES = SSA - Special Somatic Afferent**
- 6. CHEMICAL SENSES = SVA - Special Visceral Afferent**
- 7. BRANCHIOMOTOR = SVE - Special Visceral Efferent**

**Table 9.1. Functional Components of the Cranial Nerves**

No.	Name	SSA	GSA	GVA	SVA	GSE	SVE	GVE
I	Olfactory				•			
II	Optic	•						
III	Oculomotor					•		•
IV	Trochlear					•		
V	Trigeminal		•				•	
VI	Abducent					•		
VII	Facial		•	•	•		•	•
VIII	Vestibulocochlear	•						
IX	Glossopharyngeal		•	•	•		•	•
X	Vagus		•	•	•		•	•
XI	Accessory						•	
XII	Hypoglossal					•		

# CAPSULE SUMMARY OF CRANIAL NERVES: **TYPES** **OF NEURONS**

**GSE = SOMATIC MOTOR** - voluntary skeletal muscle from somites; two groups: eye (III, IV and VI) and tongue (XII)

**GSA = SOMATIC SENSORY** precise sensory – touch, pain etc. – skin, also nasal cavity and oral cavity; also joint position, muscles; almost all V; also Bell's palsy ear ache – VII, IX, and X to skin of outer ear

**GVE = VISCERAL MOTOR** autonomics - parasympathetics – see chart – III, VII, IX, X

(note: sympathetics to head – out T1, T2; up chain; synapse Sup. Cerv. Ganglion; post-ganglionics with arteries, unnamed branches)

**GVA = VISCERAL SENSORY** - imprecise sensory (blood vessels, etc); also pharynx is VII, IX, X (popcorn); also middle ear (IX)

**SSA = SPECIAL SENSES** - means special senses vision (II) and hearing and balance (VIII)

**SVA = CHEMICAL SENSES** - means smell (I) and taste (VII, IX, X)

**SVE = BRANCHIOMOTOR** - voluntary skeletal muscle from branchial arches – V, VII, IX, X, XI – memorize incantation