

SUPERFICIAL FACIAL MUSCLES

Anatomical Reference Chart

Plate 1.0

Muscle Name	Primary Action	Innervation
ORBITAL GROUP		
Orbicularis Oculi	Closes eyelids; palpebral/orbital parts	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
Corrugator Supercilii	Draws eyebrows medially (frowning)	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
NASAL GROUP		
Nasalis	Flaring of nostrils / compression	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
Procerus	Wrinkles skin over bridge of nose	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
ORAL GROUP		
Orbicularis Oris	Closes and protrudes lips (puckering)	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
Zygomaticus Major	Draws angle of mouth upward (smiling)	Facial Nerve (CN VII)

Muscle Name	Primary Action	Innervation
Risorius	Retracts corner of mouth laterally	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
Depressor Anguli Oris	Draws corner of mouth down (frowning)	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
SCALP & NECK		
Occipitofrontalis	Elevates eyebrows / wrinkles forehead	Facial Nerve (CN VII)
Platysma	Tenses skin of lower face and neck	Facial Nerve (CN VII)

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