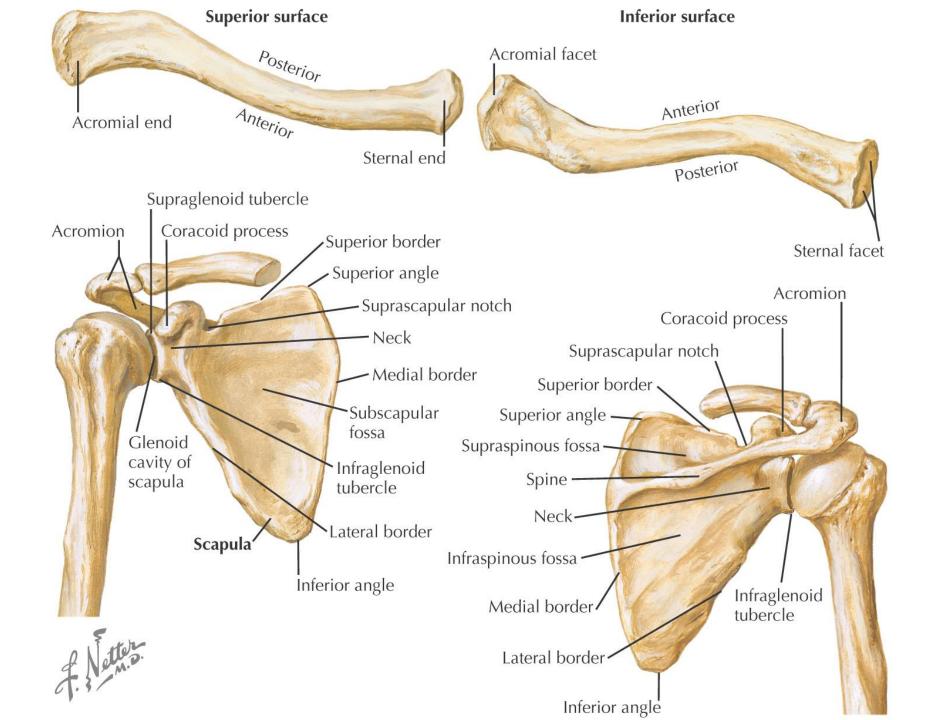
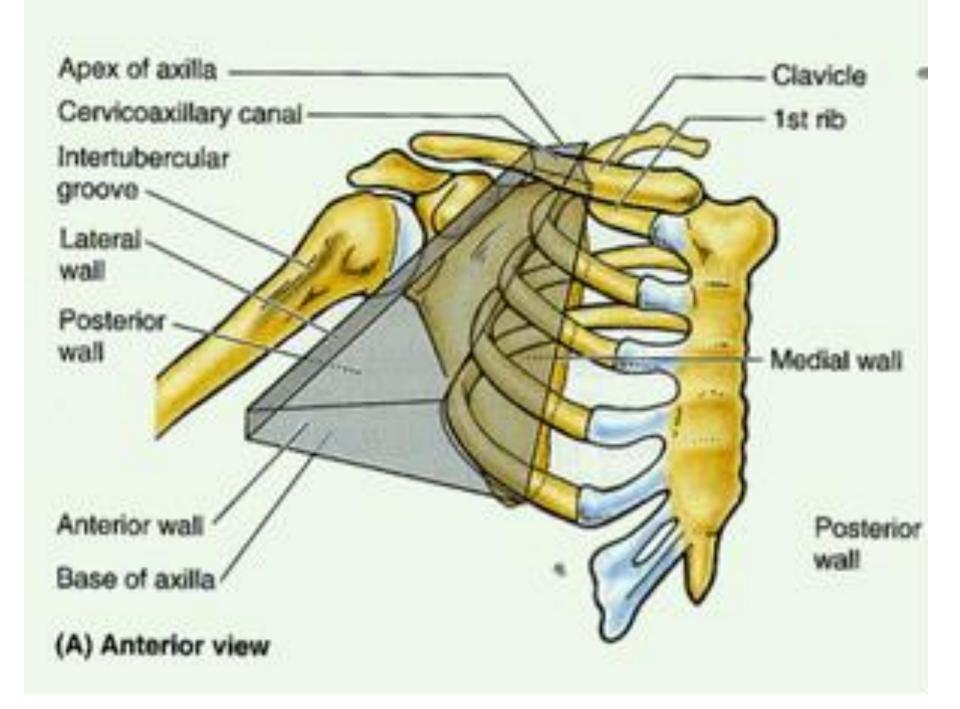
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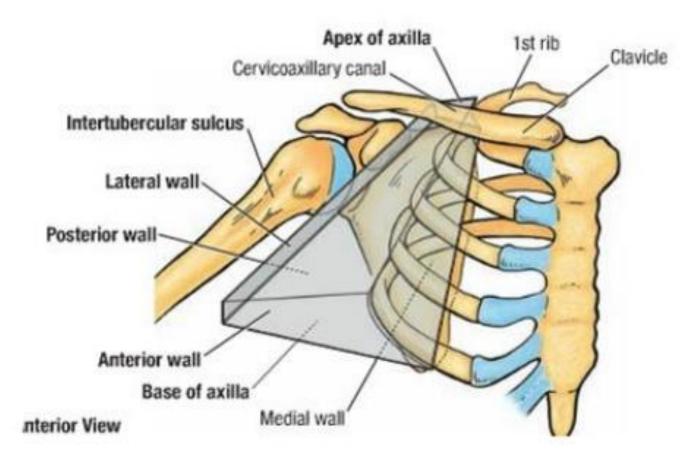
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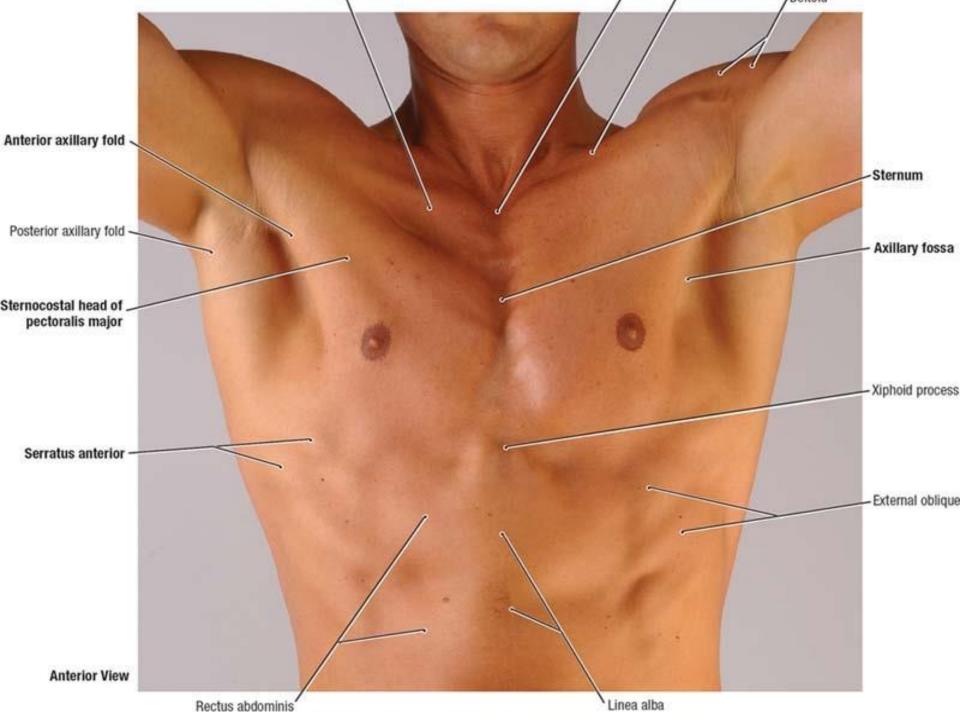




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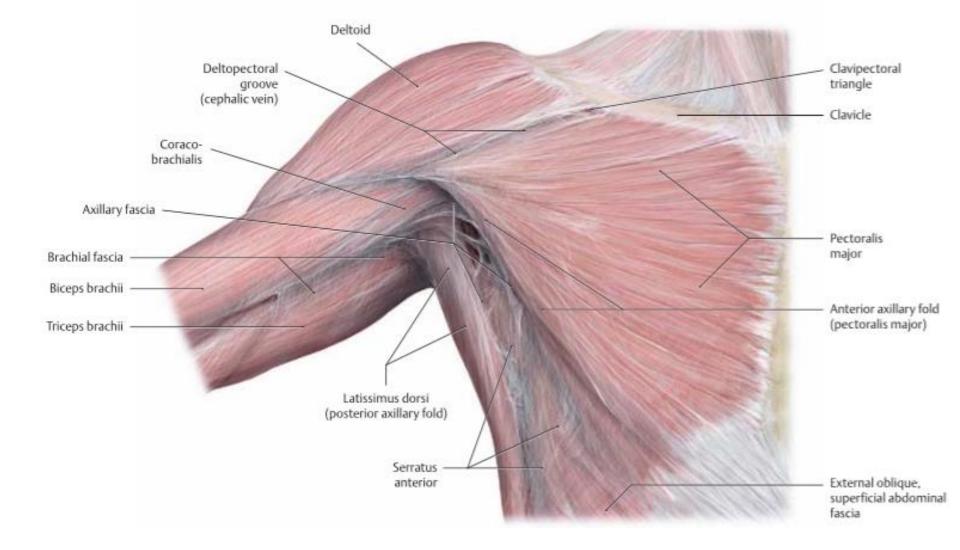
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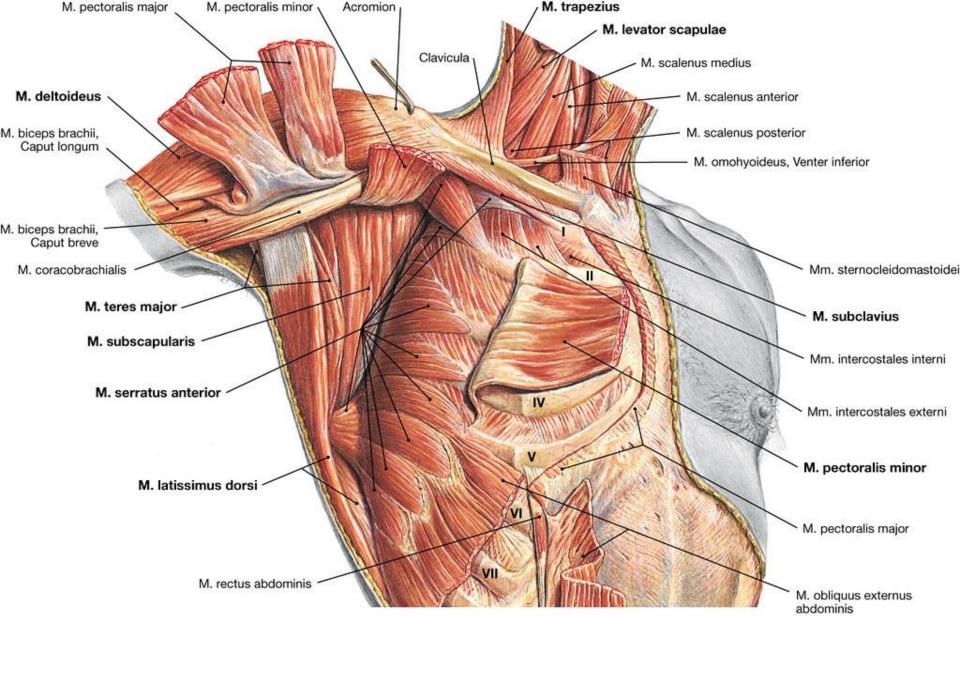




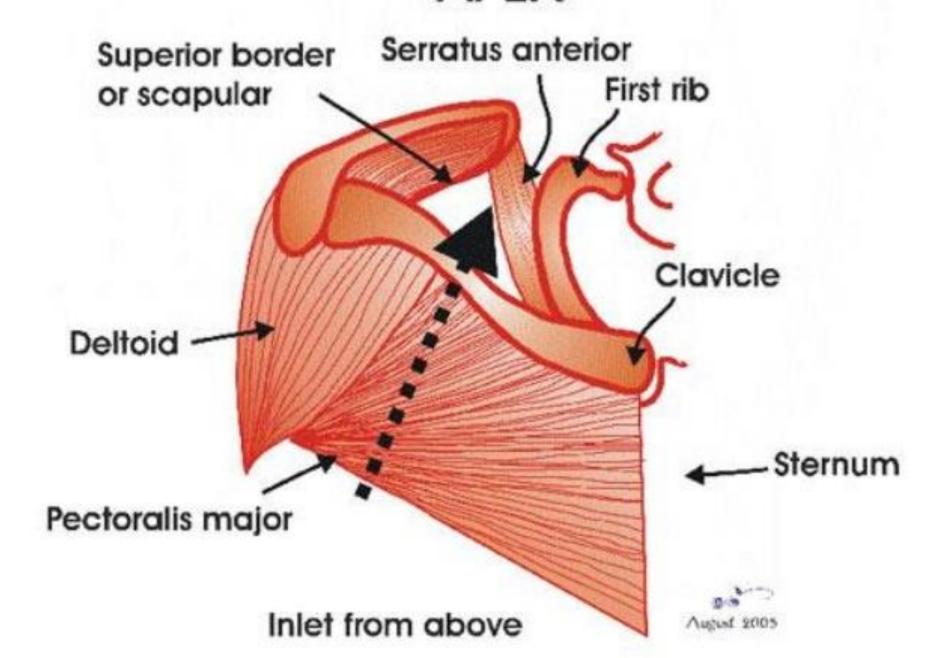


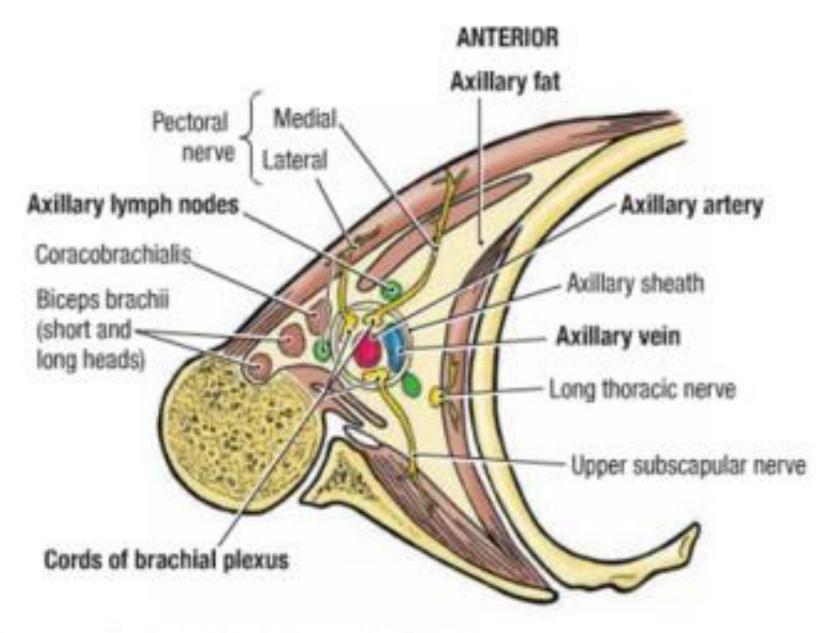
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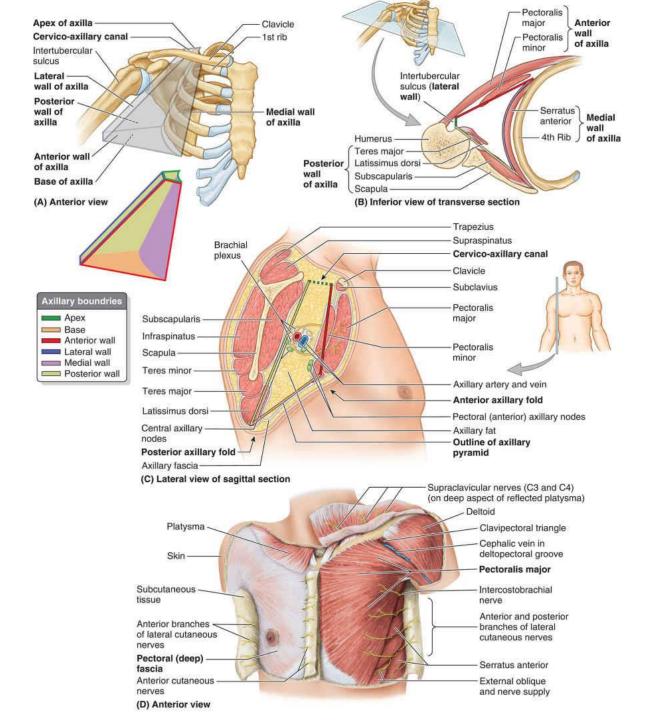
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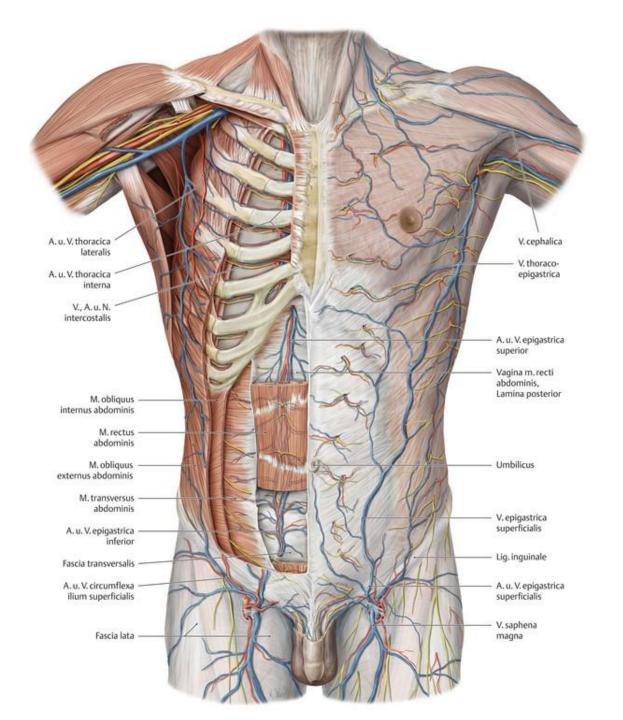


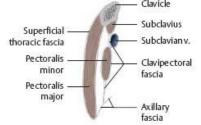


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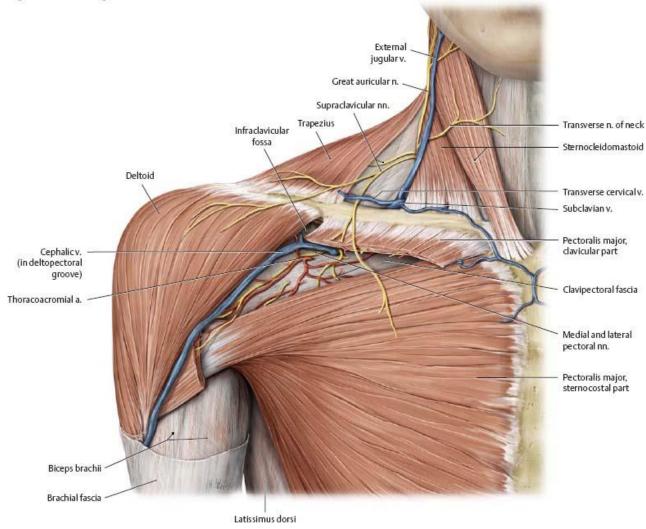
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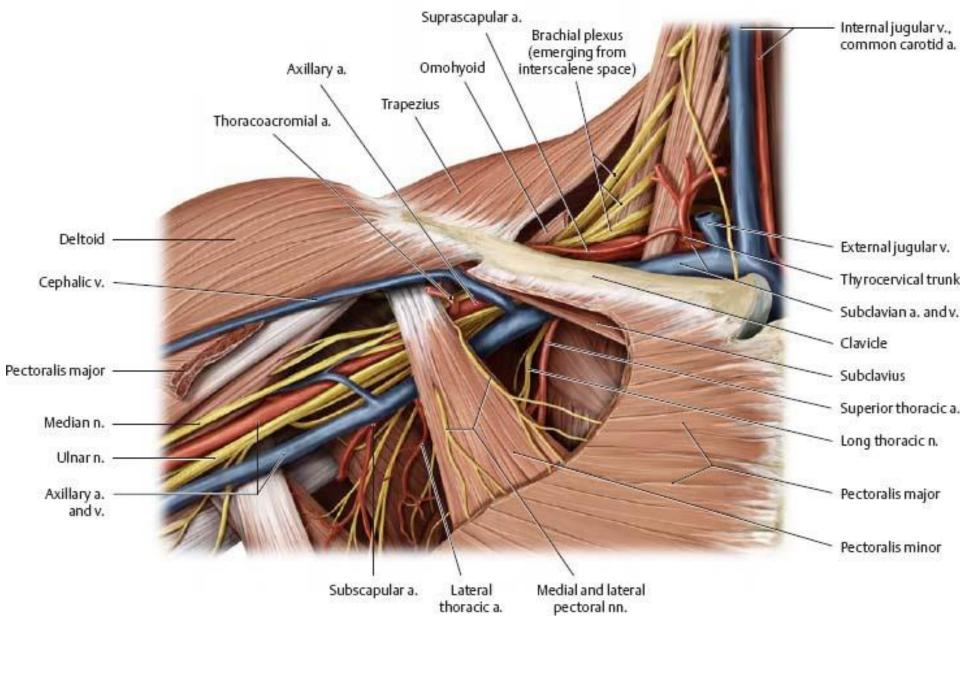


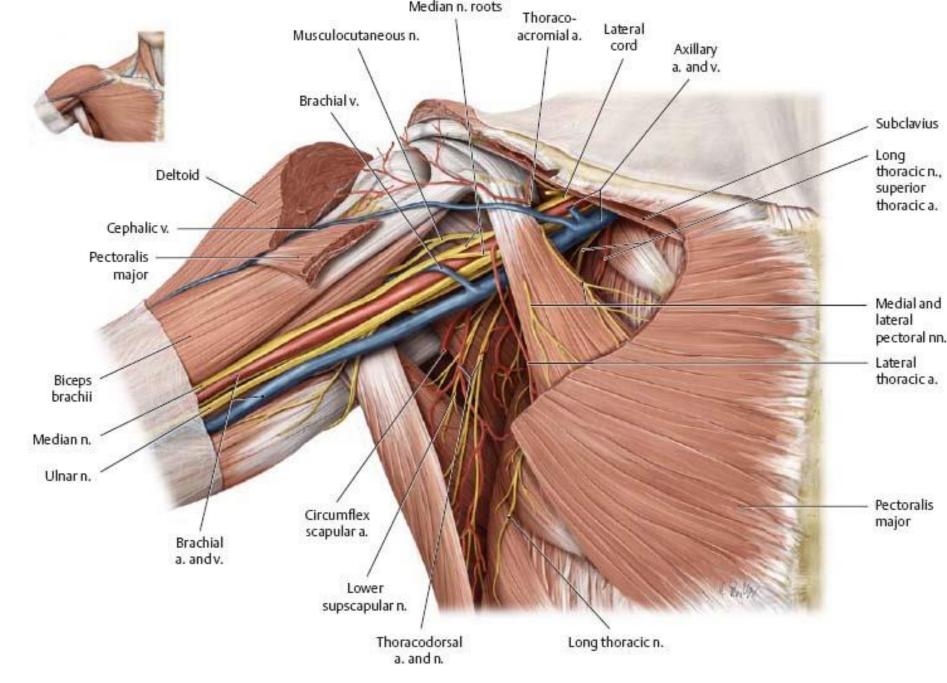


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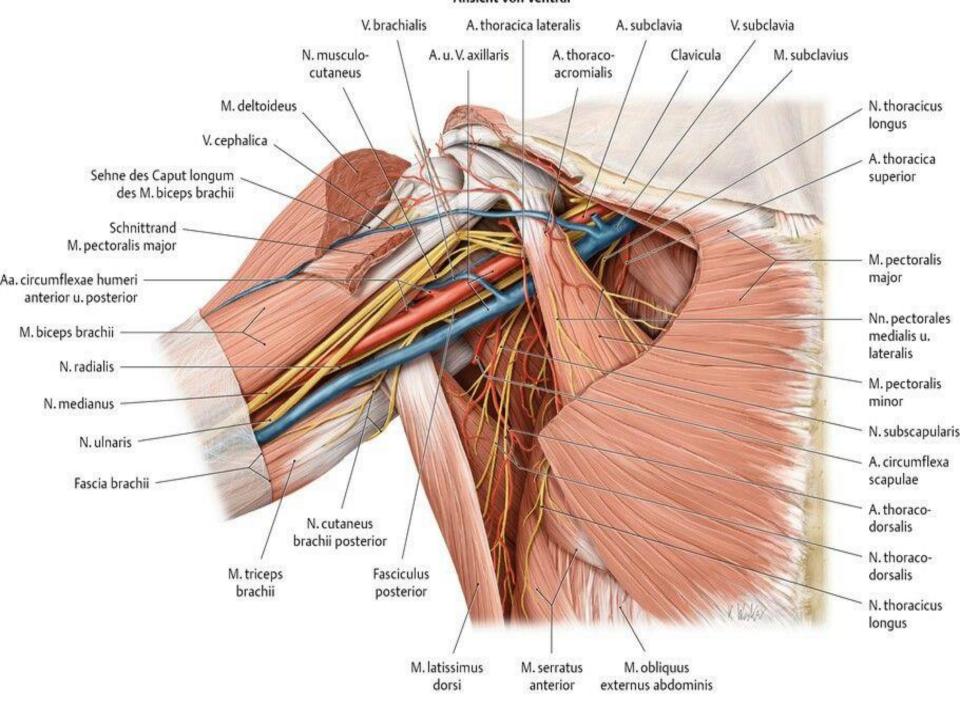
B Anterior view. Removed: Platysma, muscle fasciae, superficial layer of cervical fascia, and pectoralis major (clavicular part). Revealed: Clavipectoral triangle.

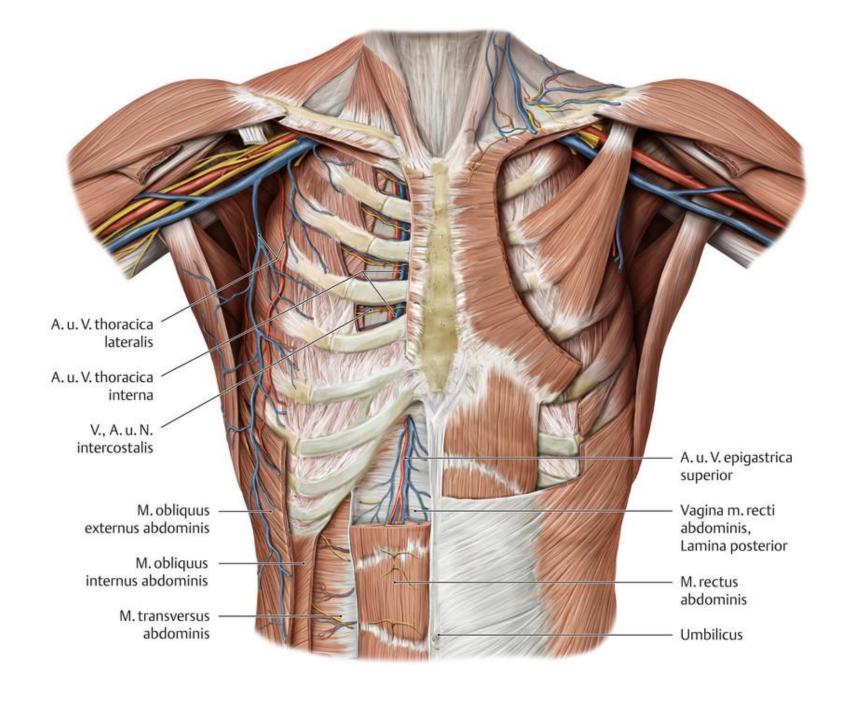


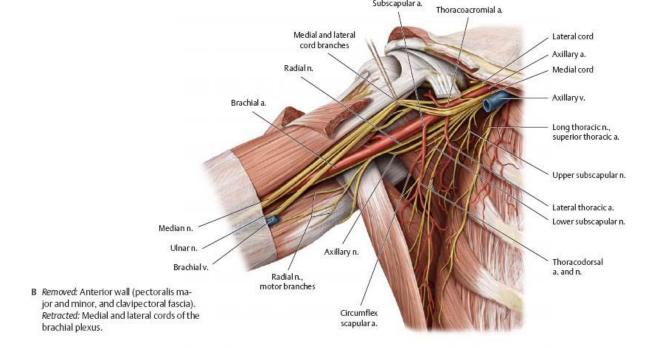


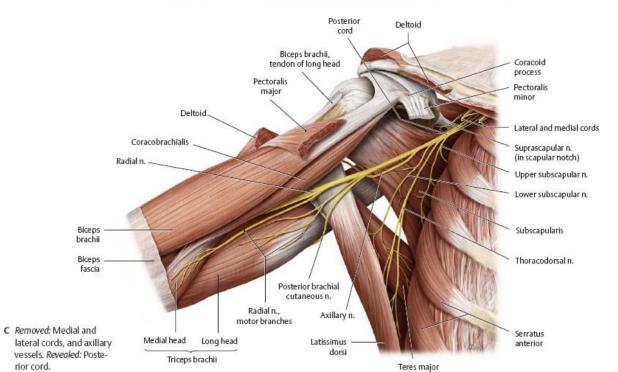
A Removed: Pectoralis major and clavipectoral fascia.

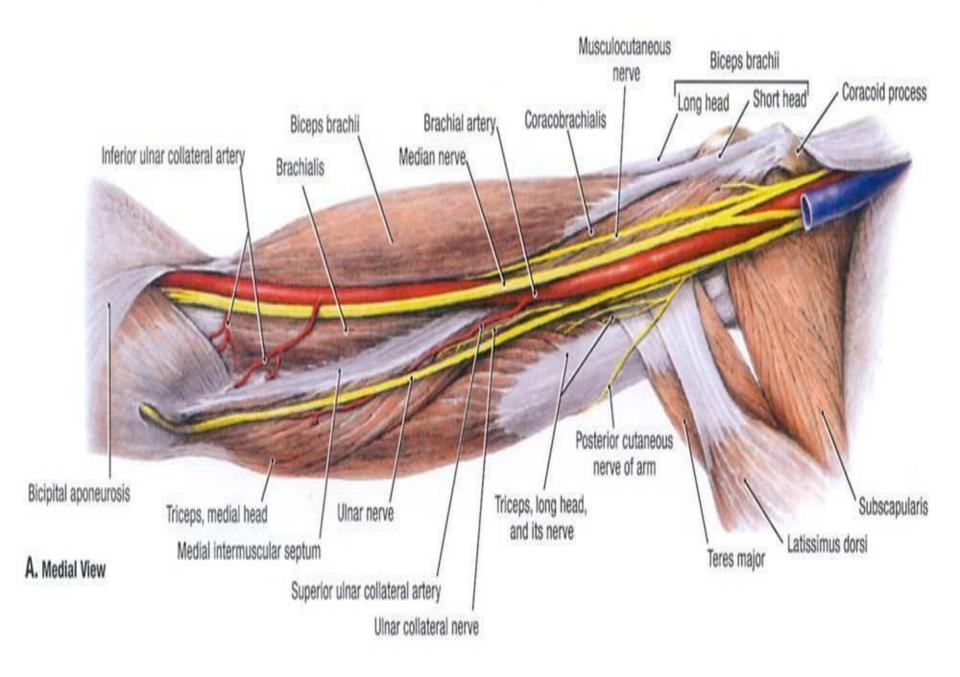
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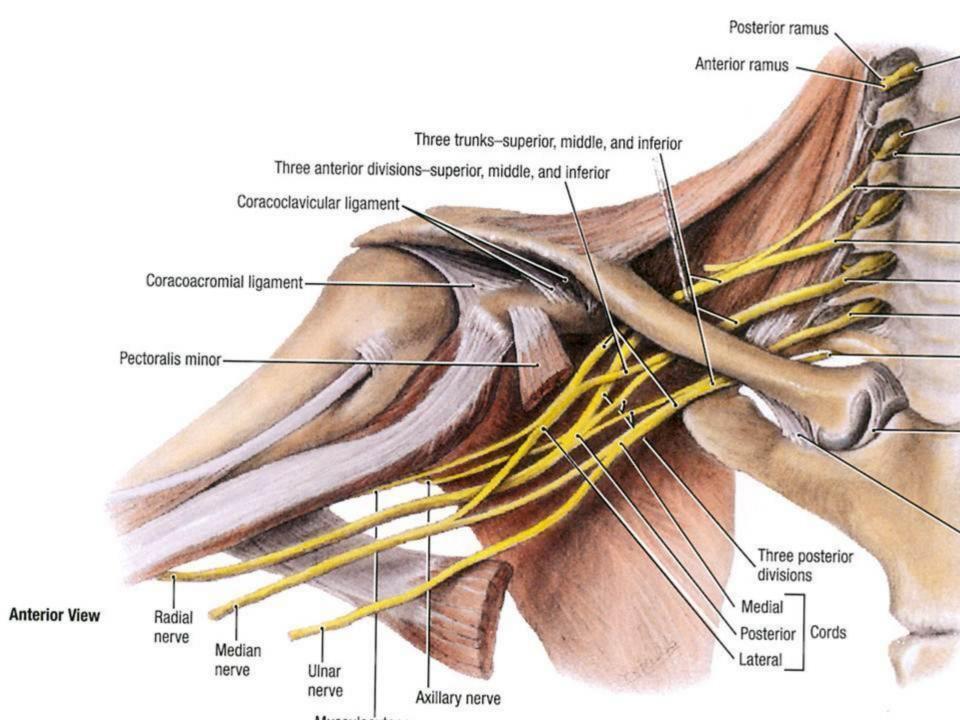


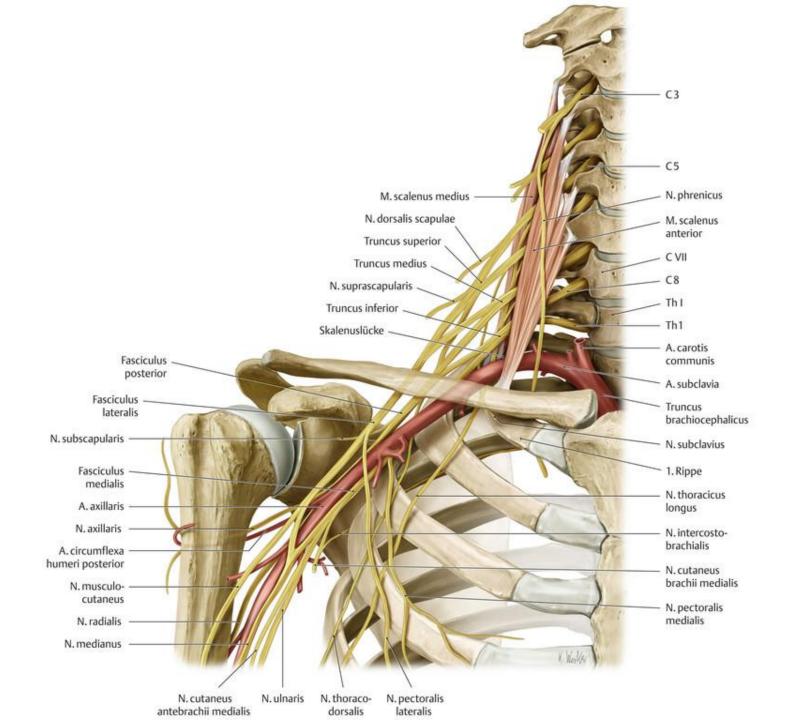


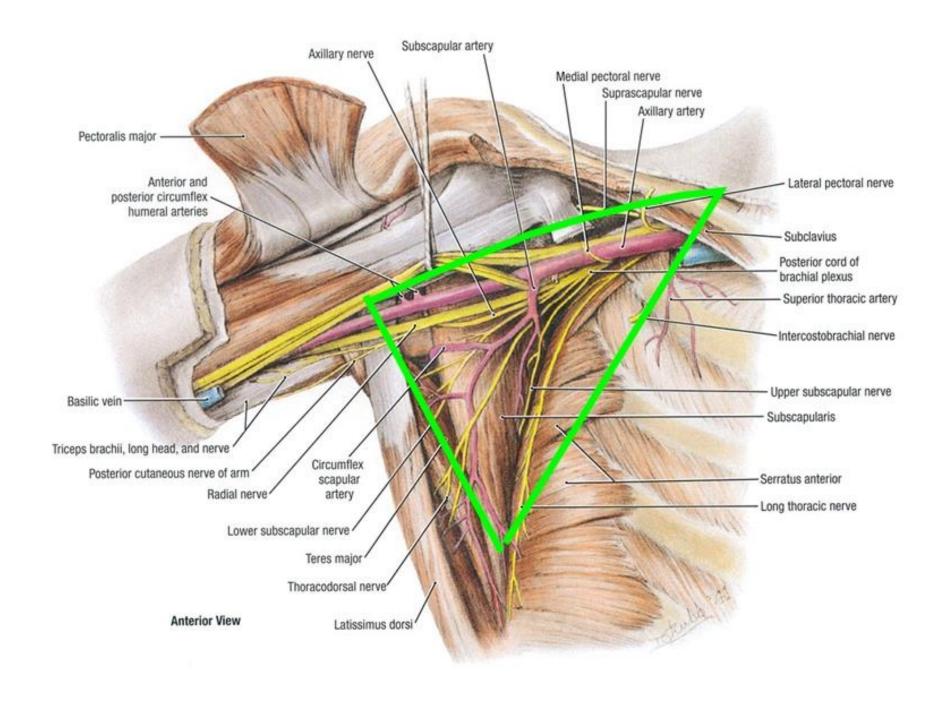


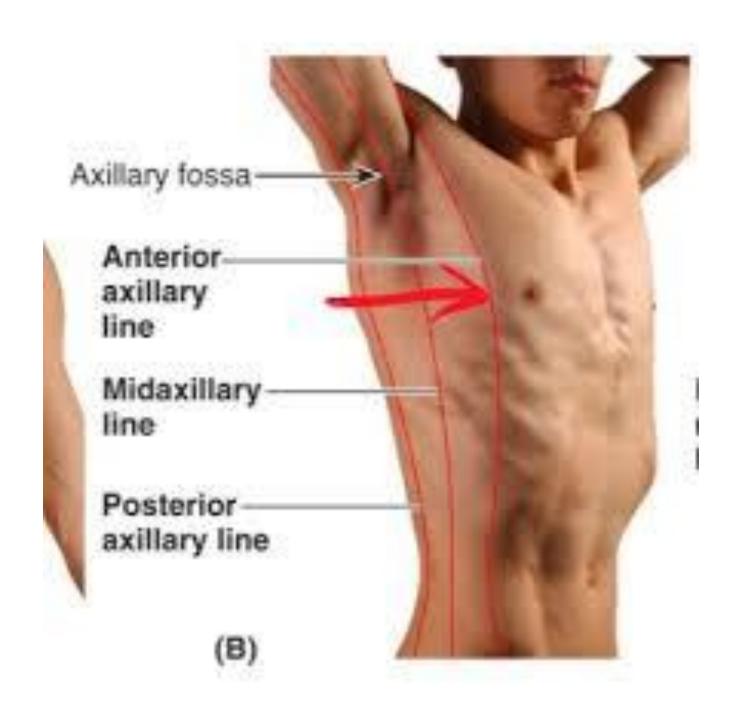


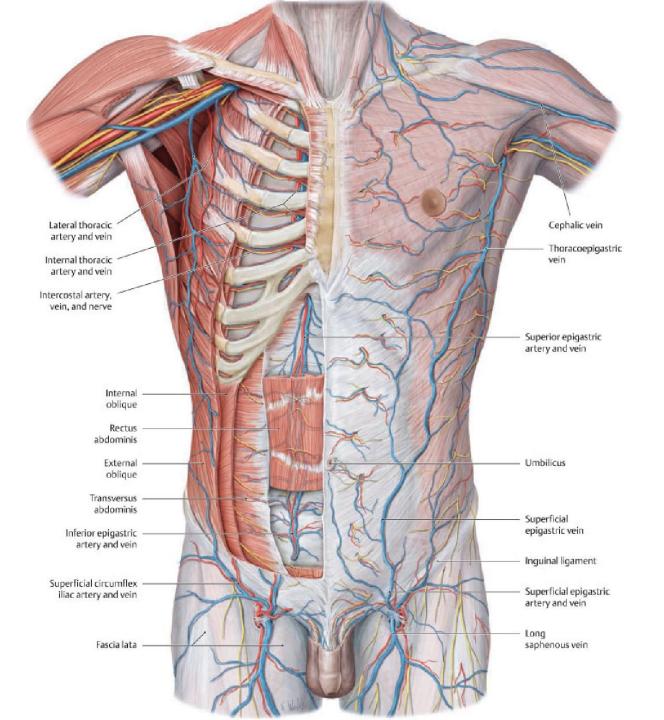


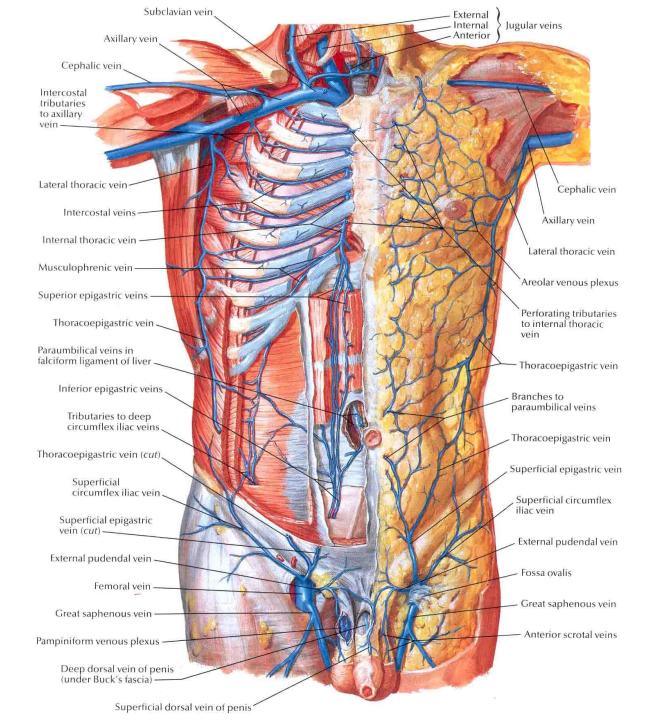


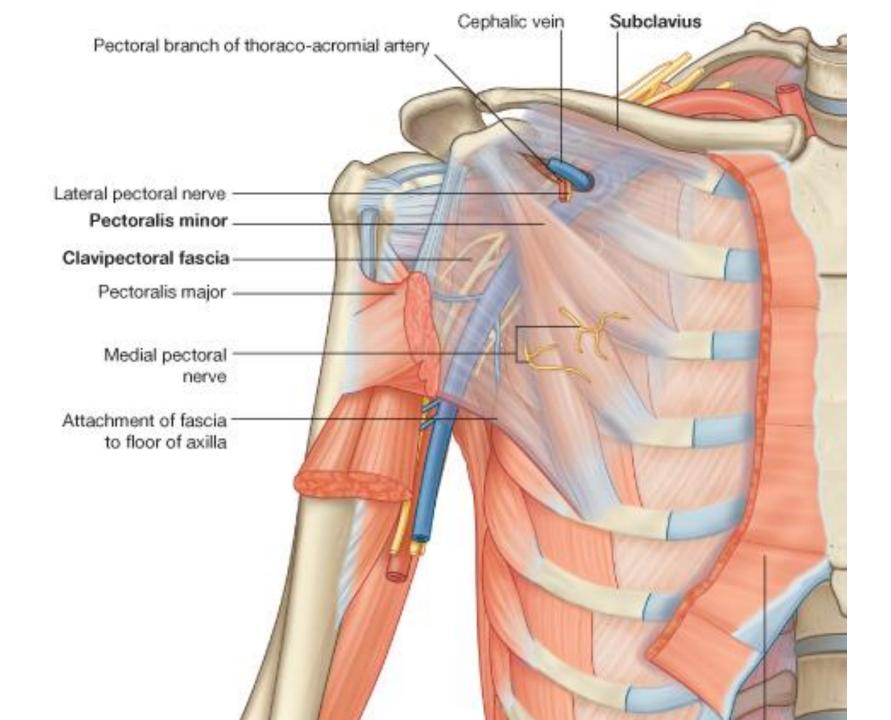




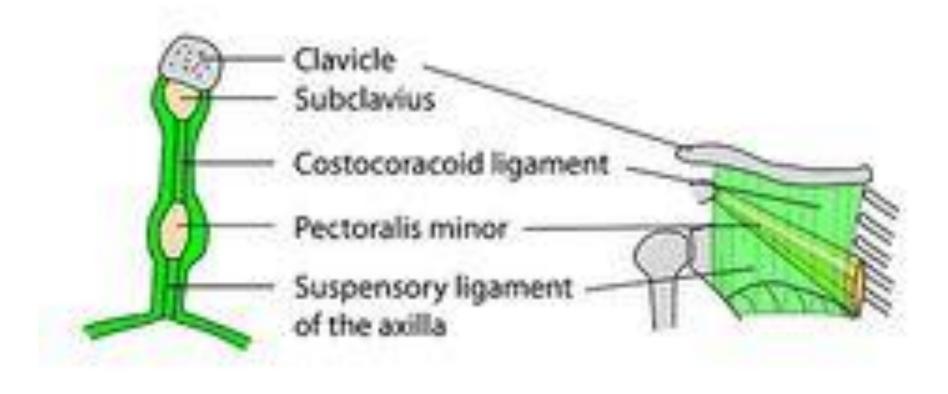






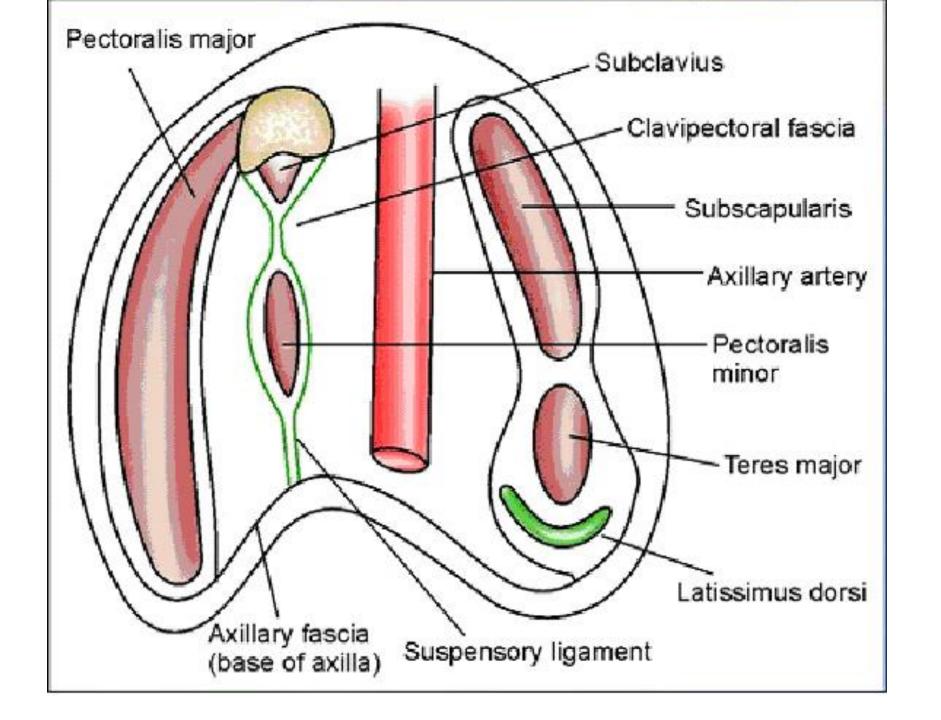


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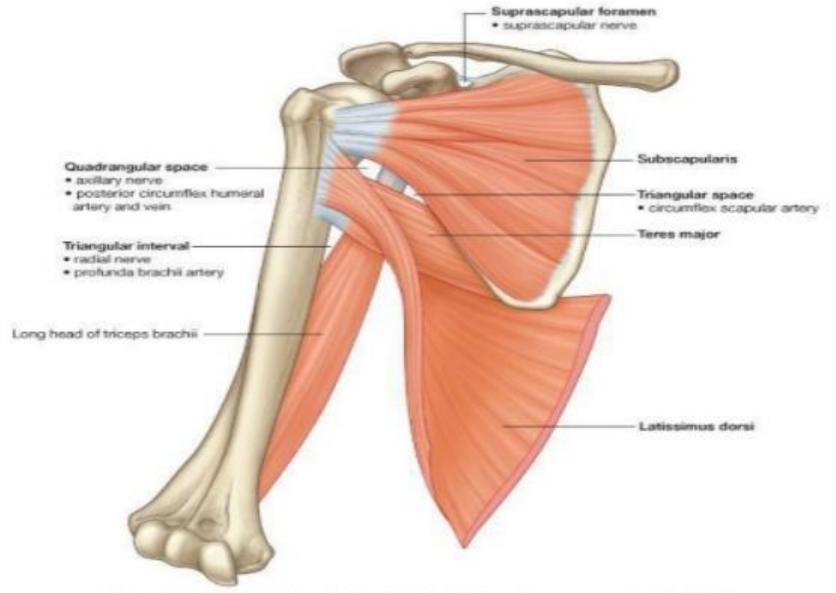


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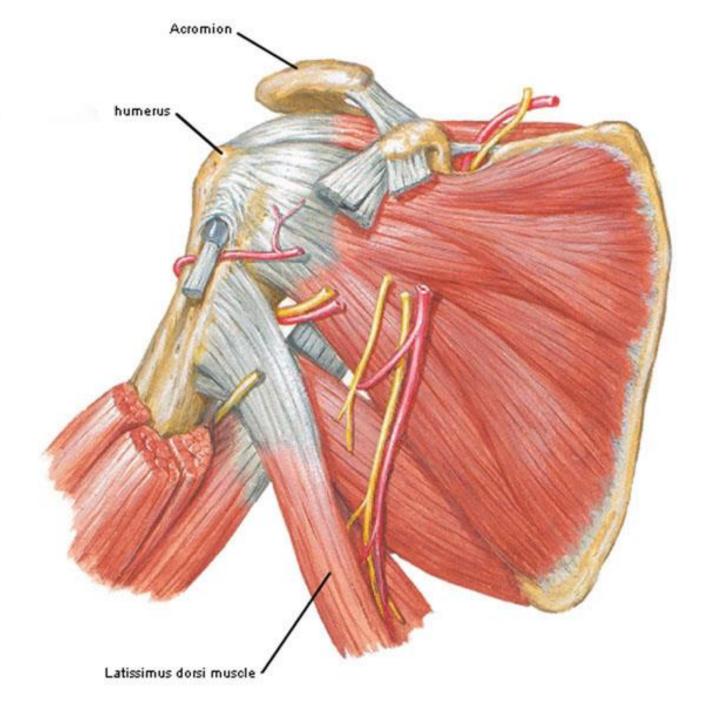
- Acromiothoracic trunk
- Cephalic vein
- Lateral pectoral nerve
- Lymphatics



POSTERIOR WALL OF THE AXILLA

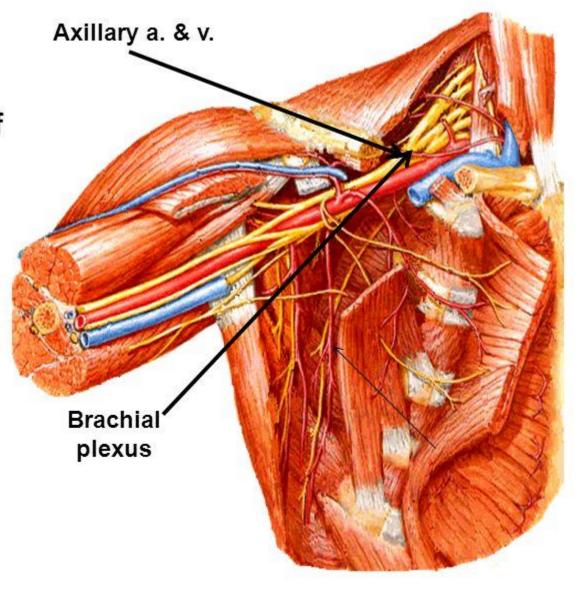


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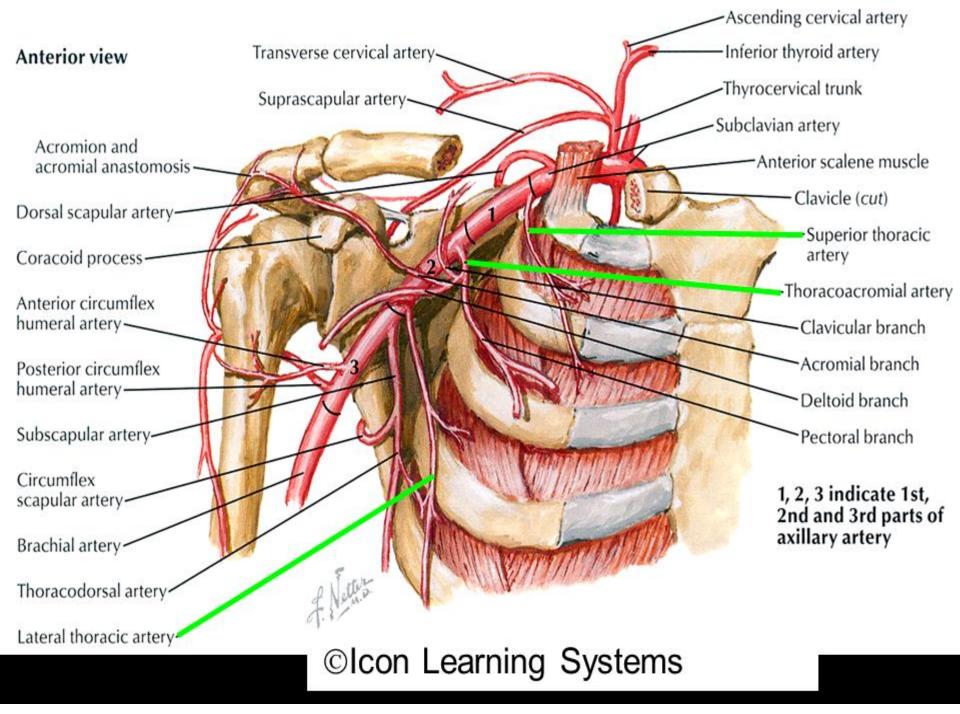


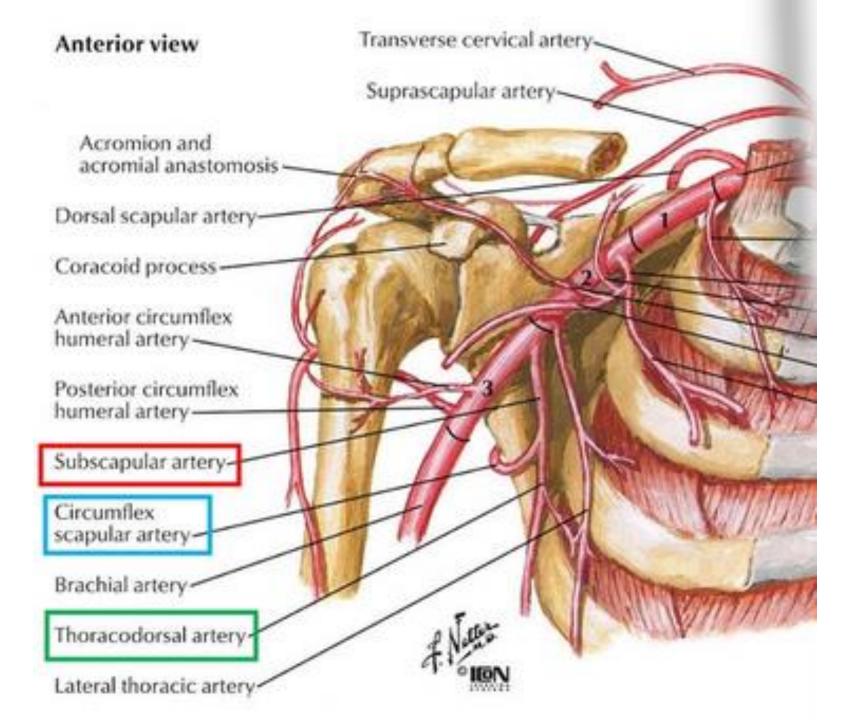
Contents of The Axilla

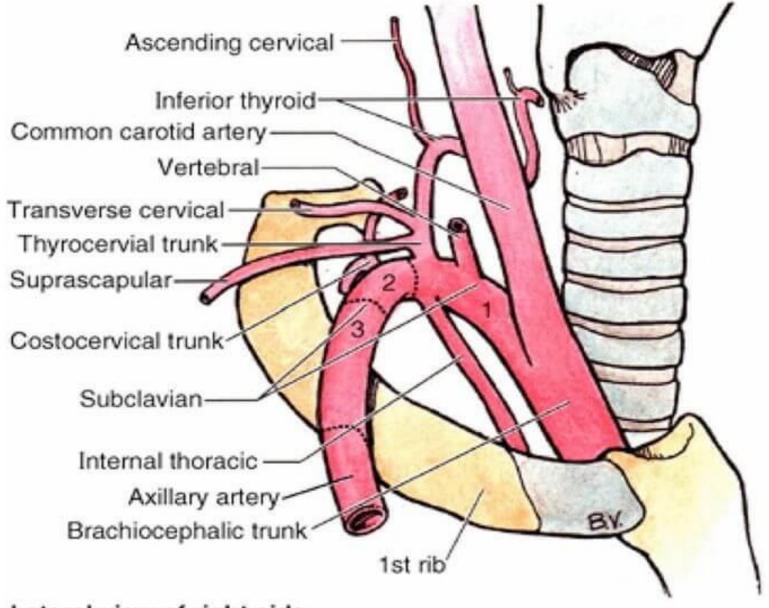
- Cords and branches of the brachial plexus
- Axillary artery and its branches.
- Axillary vein and its tributaries.
- Axillary lymph nodes.
- Axillary lymphatic vessels
- Axillary fat.
- Loose connective tissue.



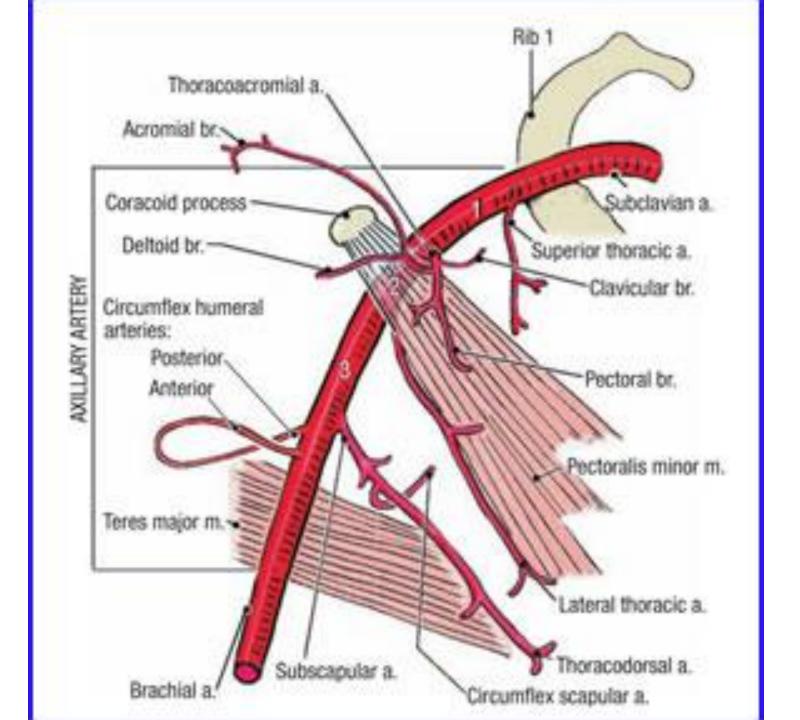
The neurovascular bundle is enclosed in connective tissue sheath, called 'axillary sheath'

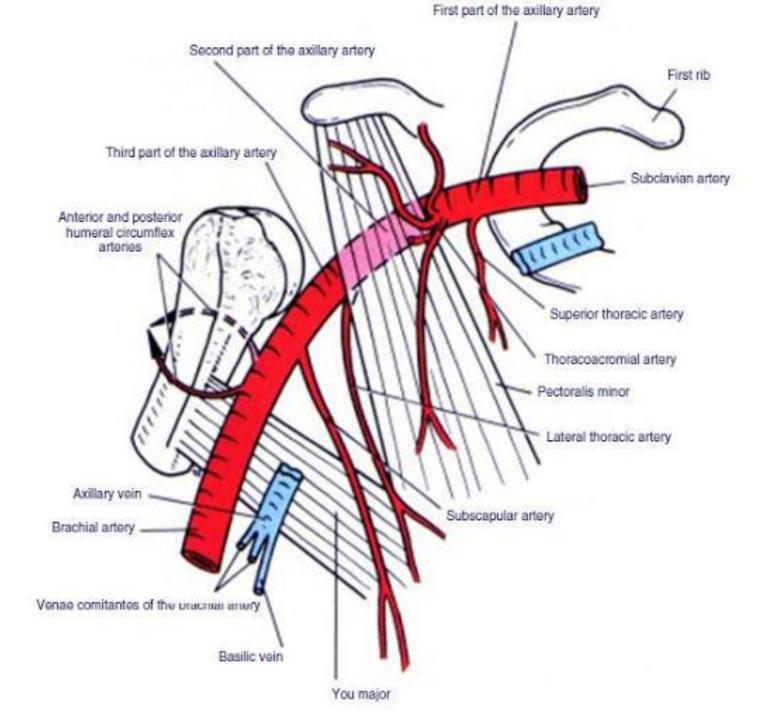


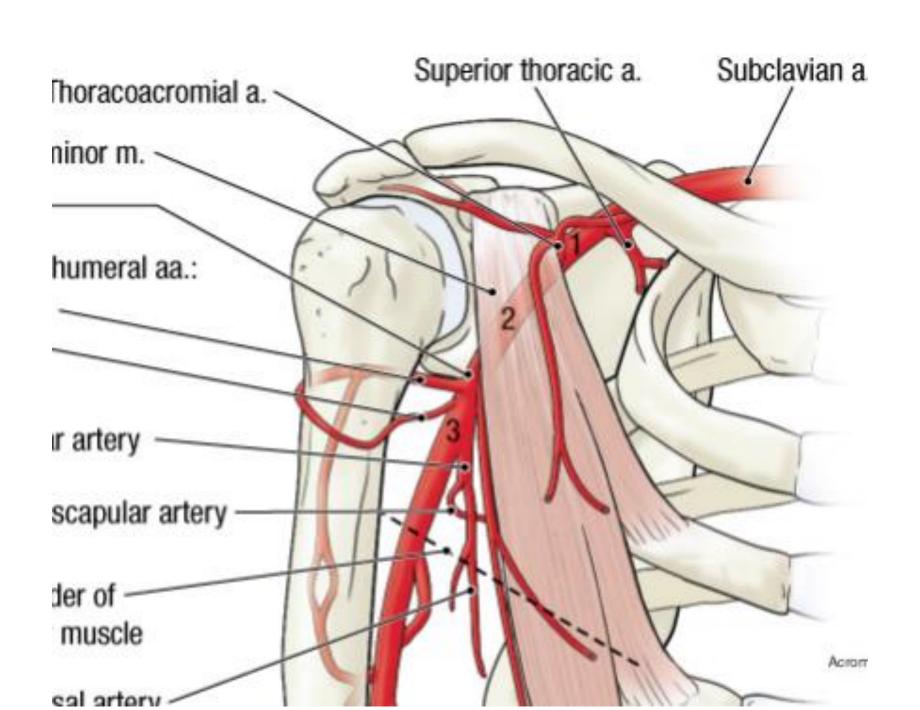


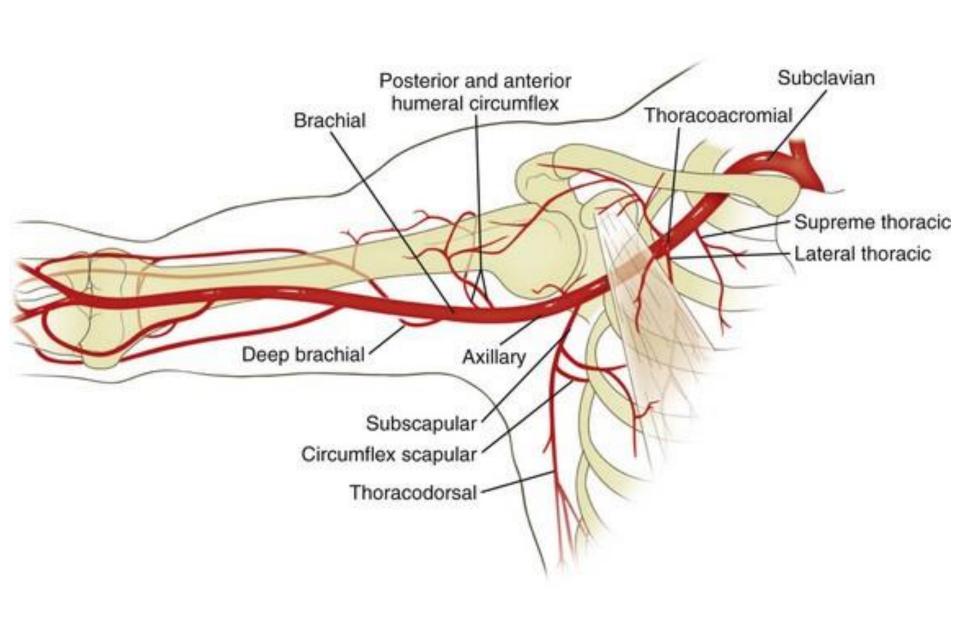


Lateral view of right side









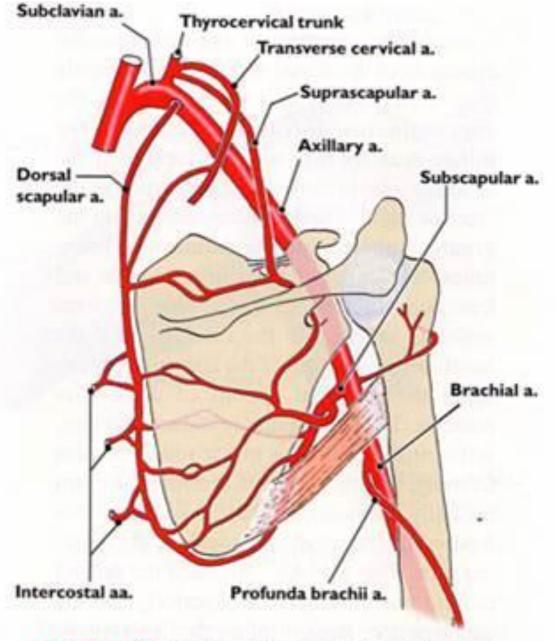
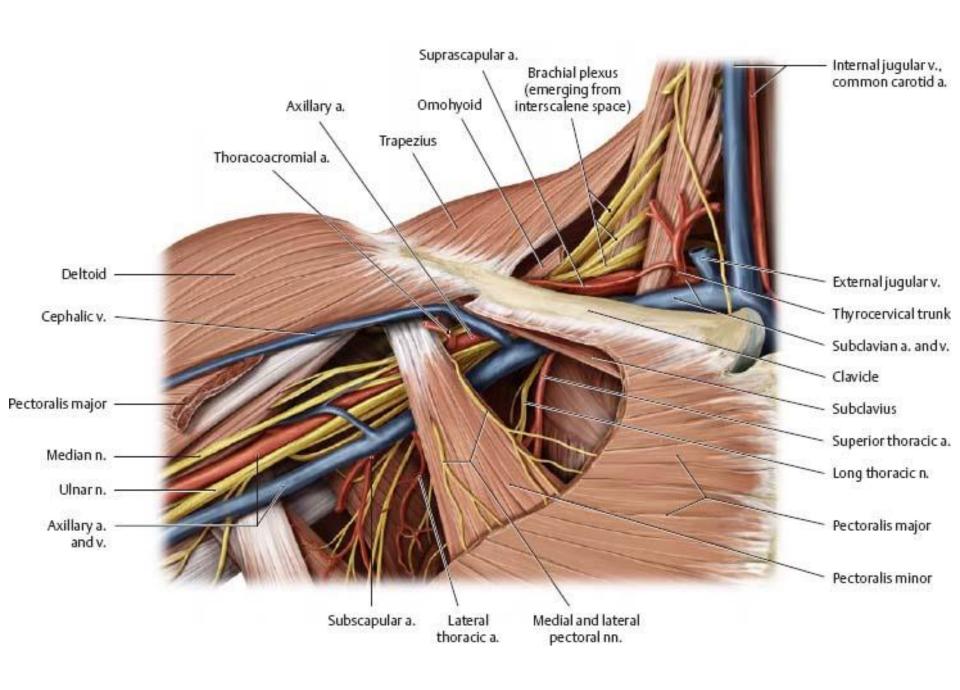
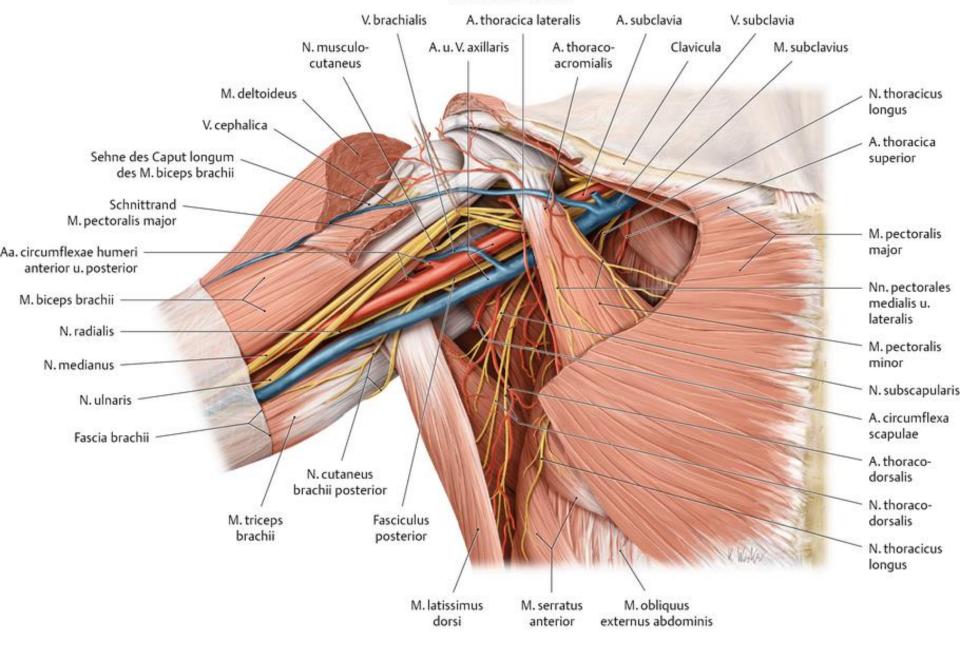
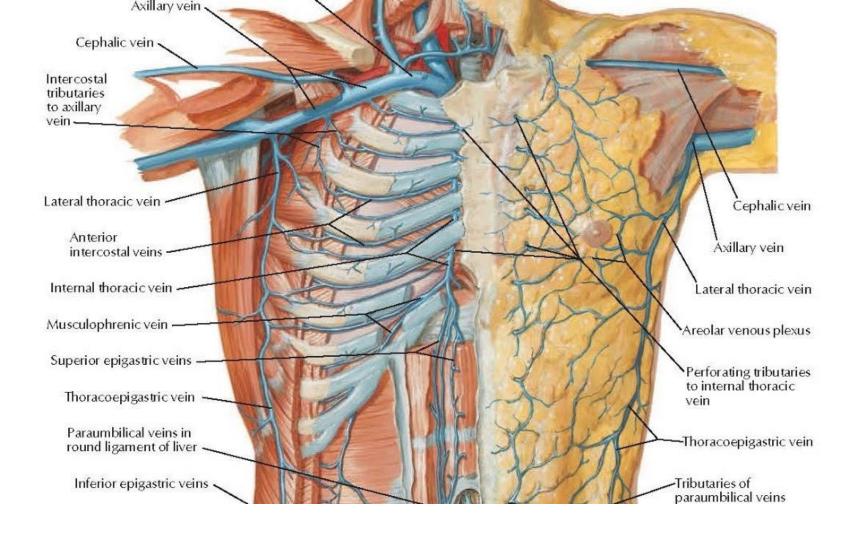


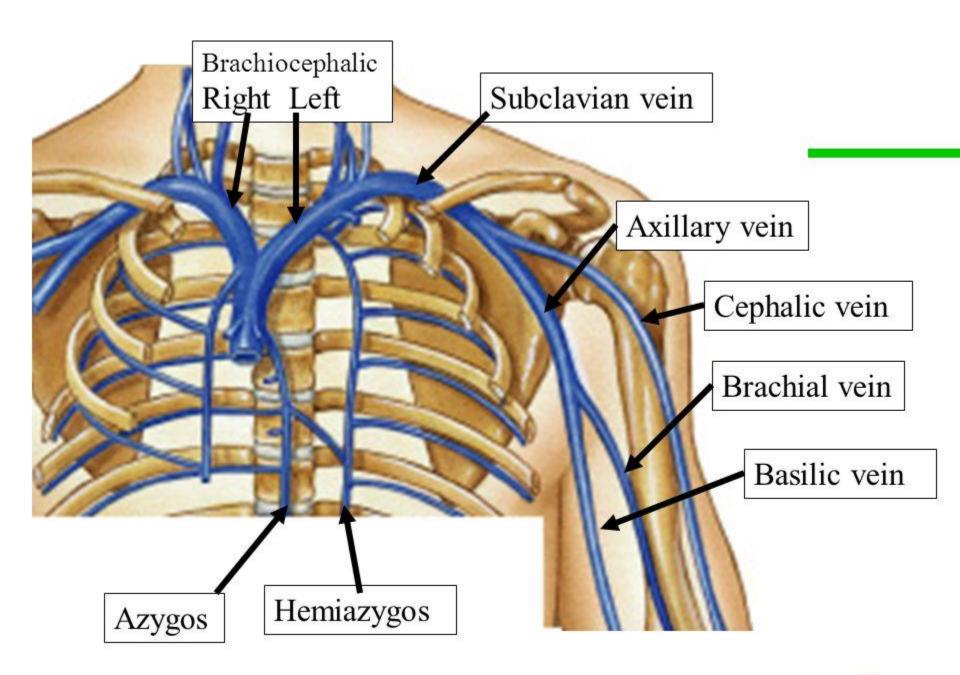
Figure 6.8. Extensive collateral blood supply of the scapular region.



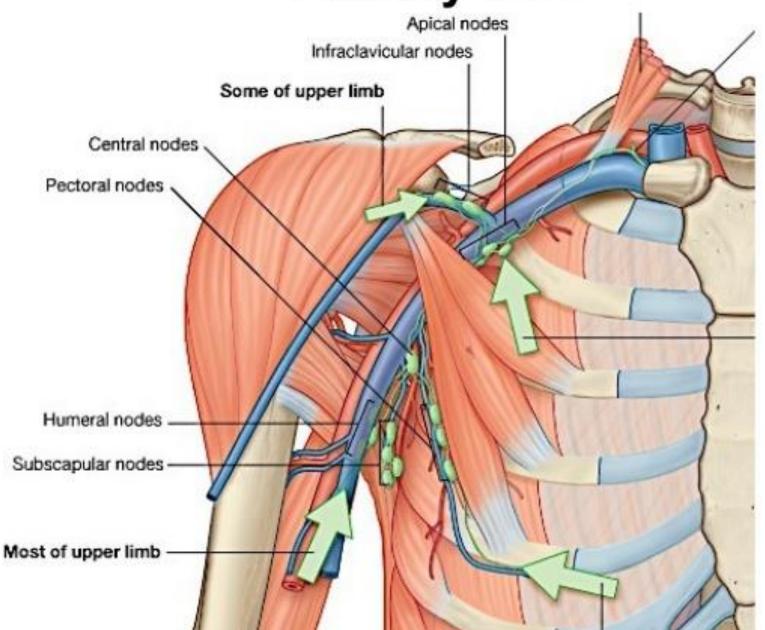
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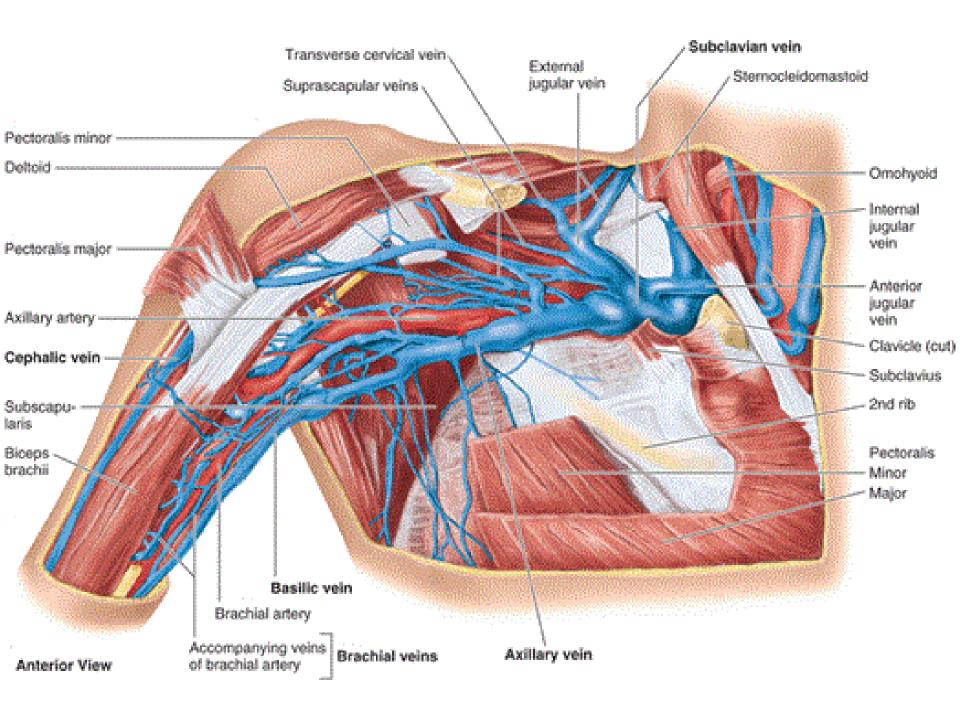




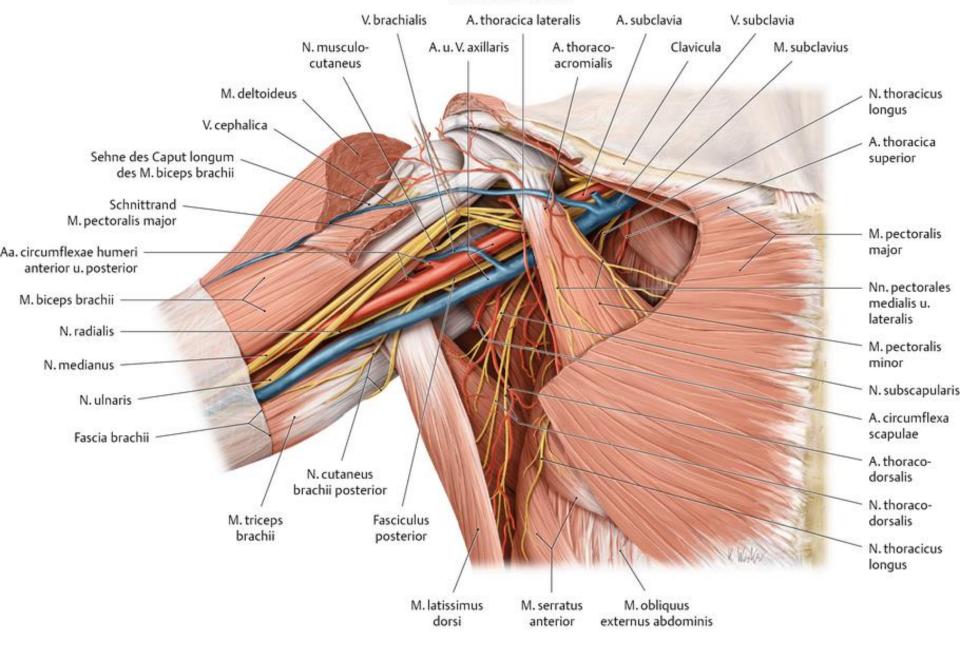


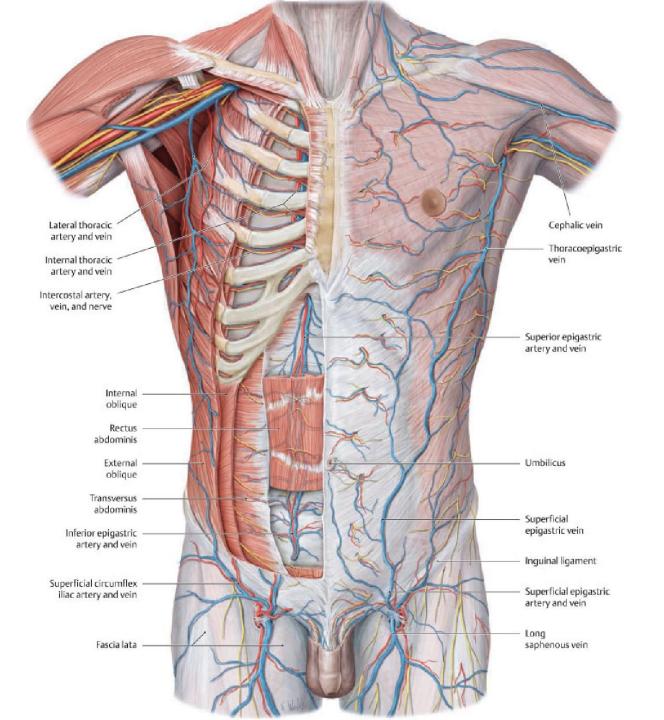
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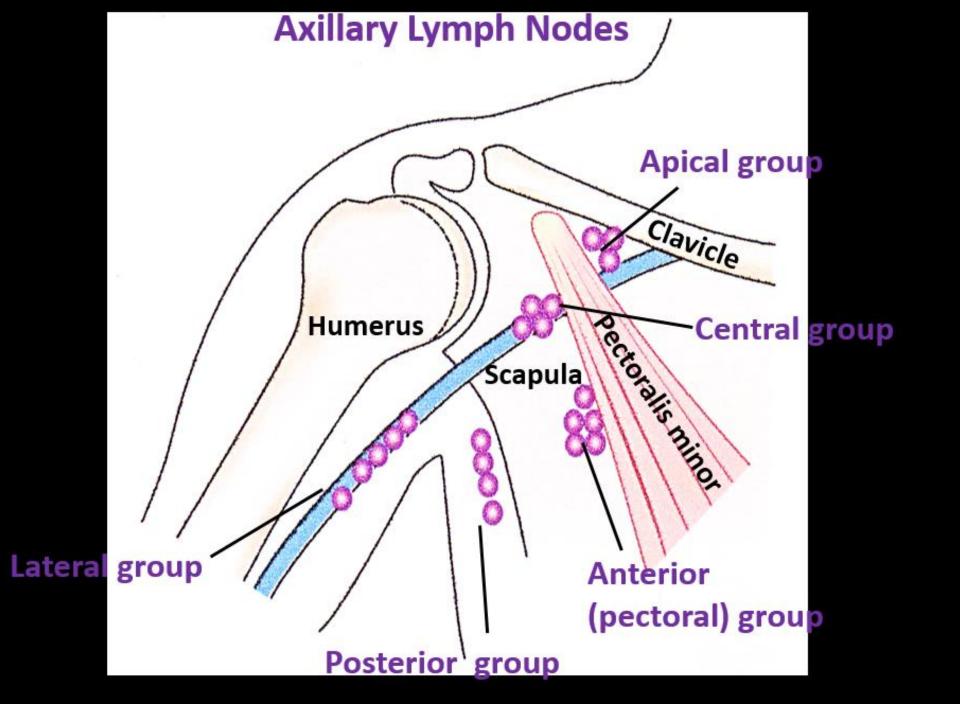


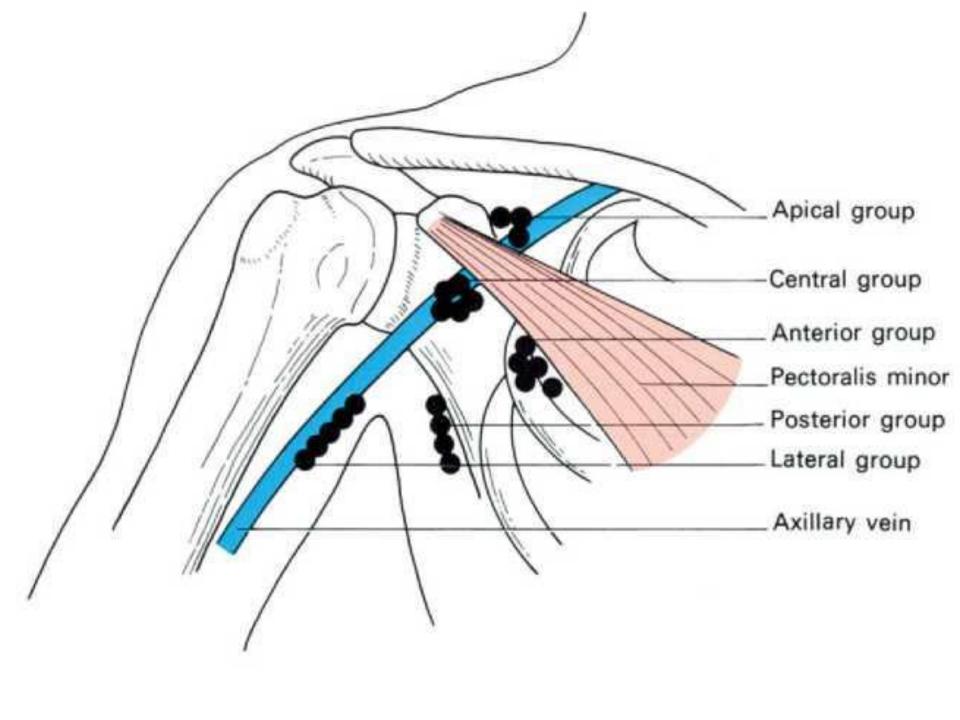


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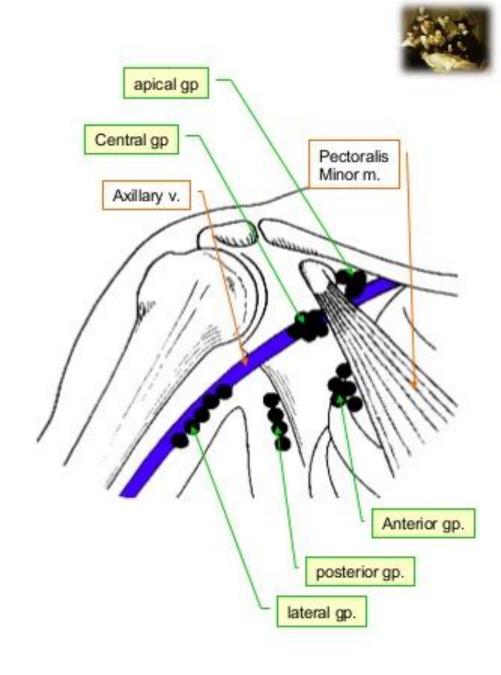


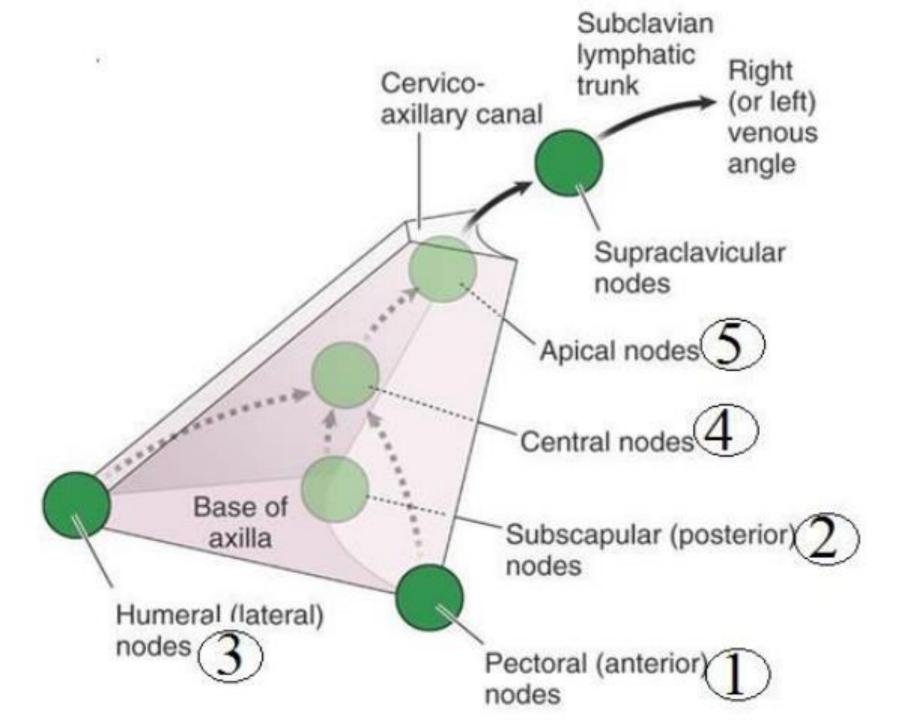




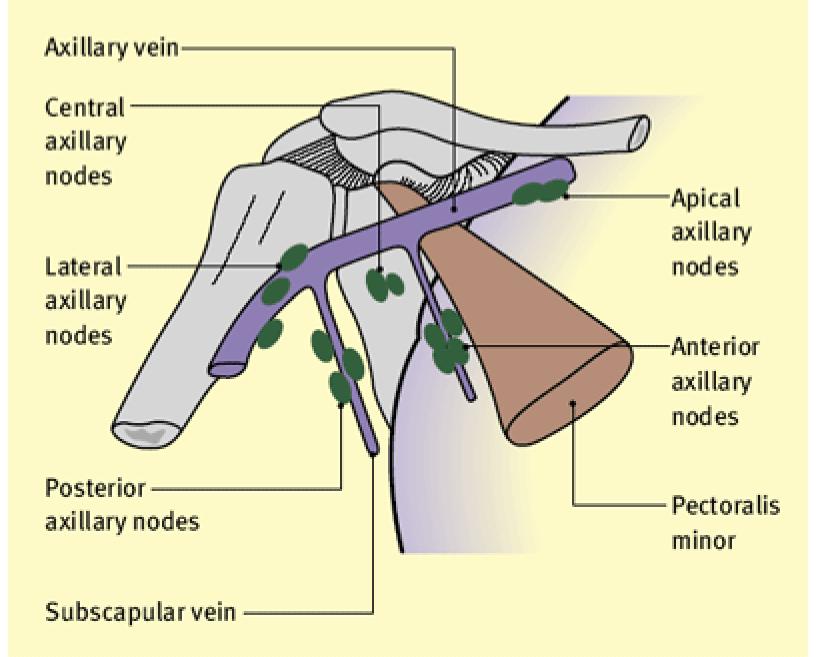
Axillary lymph nodes

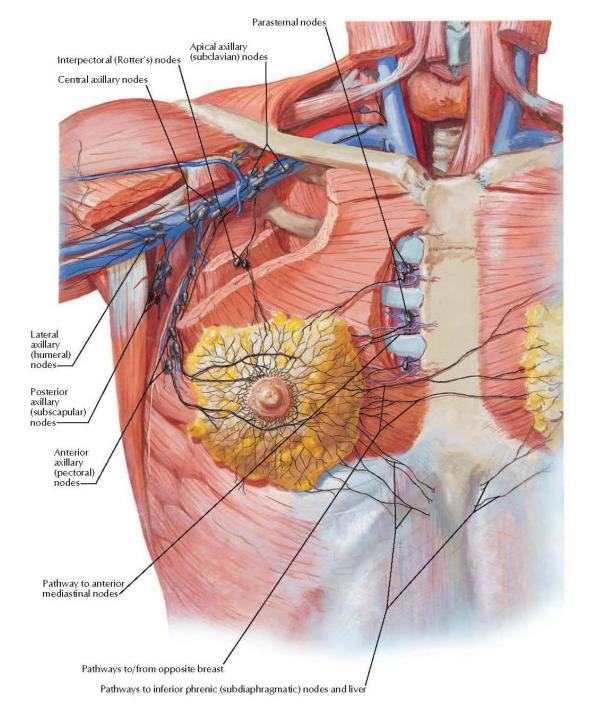
- Axillary lymph nodes are arranged in five groups
- Anterior or pectoral group lying deep to pectoralis major along the inferior border of pectoralis minor muscle: drain most of the lymph of the breast
- Posterior or subscapular group, lie in front of subscapularis on the posterior wall of the axilla.
- Lateral group lying along the axillary vein
- Central group lying in the axillary fat
- Apical group lying behind the clavicle at the apex of the axilla



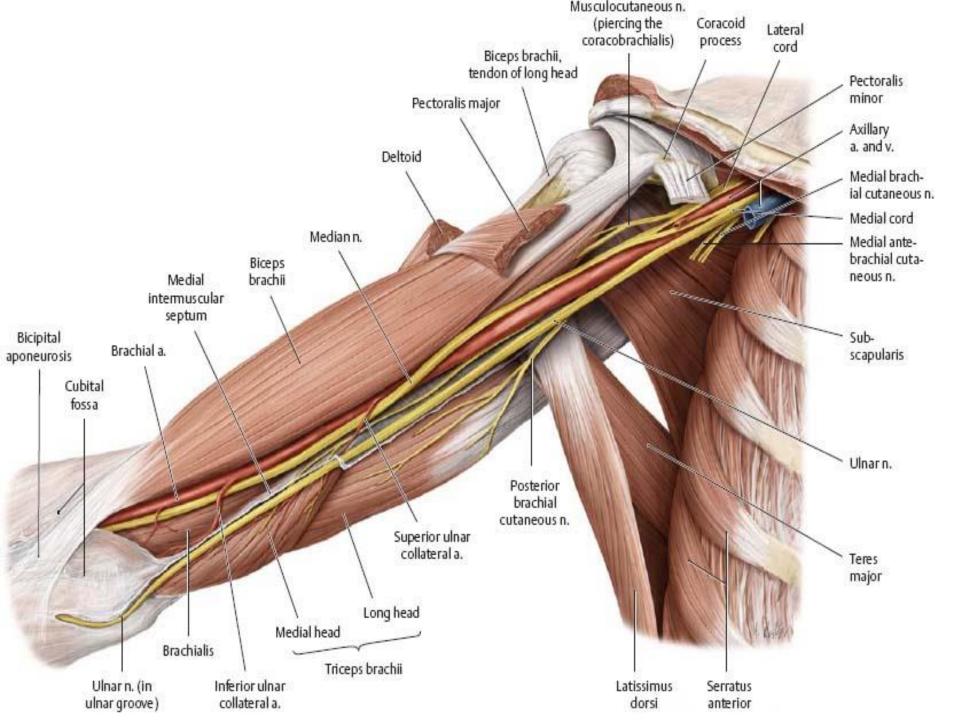


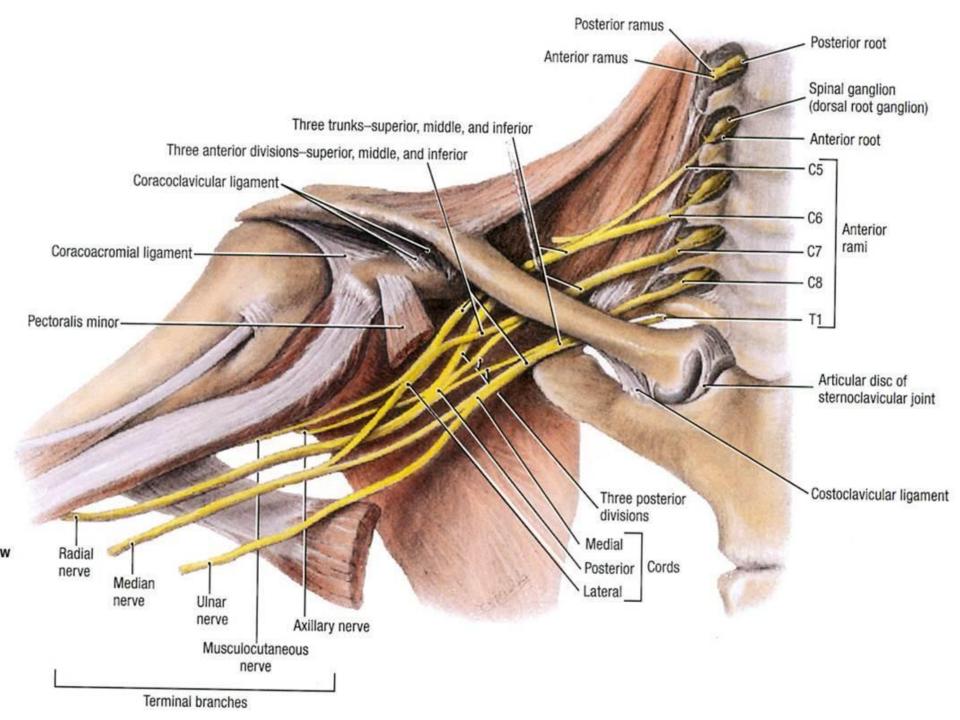
Lymph nodes of the axilla

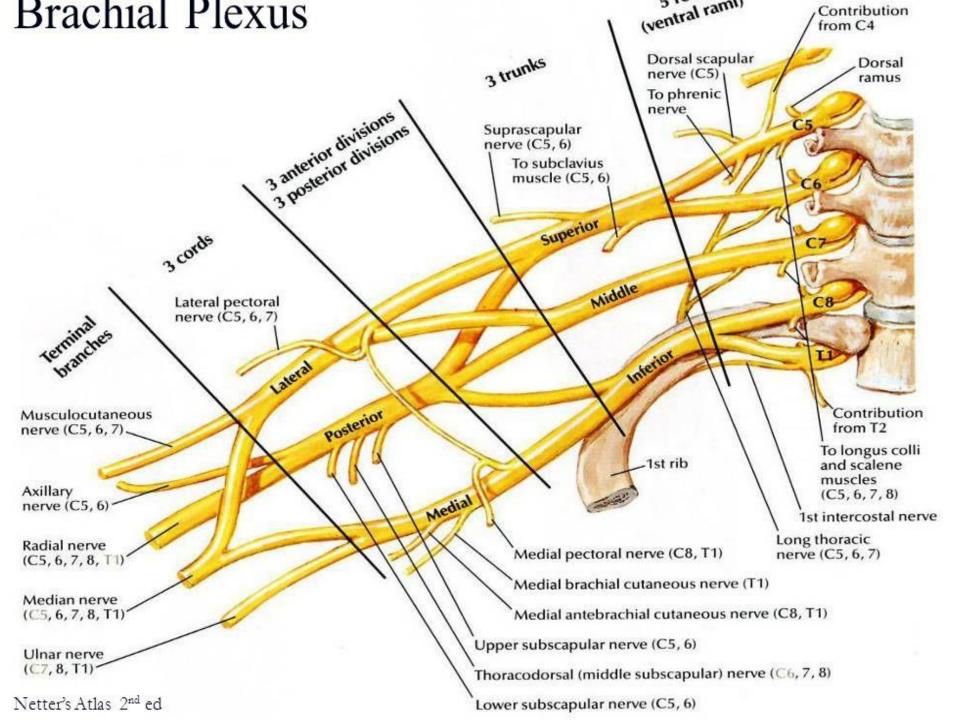


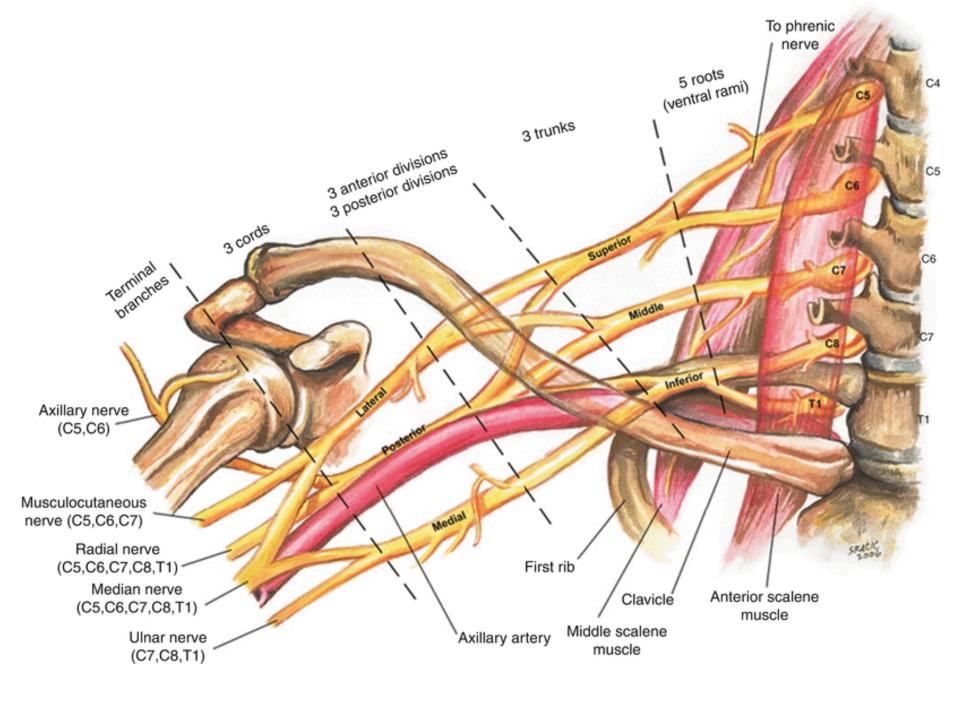


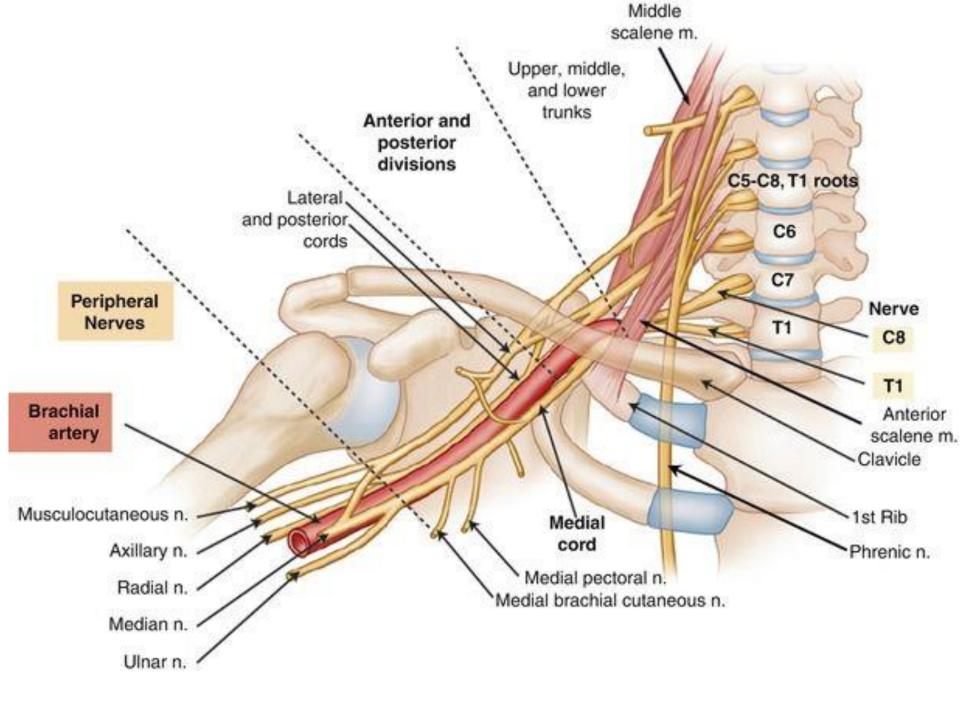
A. Axillary vessels and muscles Pectoralis minor tendon (cut), Acromial branch Muscufocutaneous nerve Cephalic vein, Transverse cervical artery Anterior circumflex humeral artery, -Dorsal scapular artery and nerve Axillary nerve and posterior circumflex humeral artery Suprascapular artery and nerve Pectoralis major muscle (cut) - Clavicle and subclavius muscle (cut) Basilic vein - Clavicular branch Medial antebrachial Deltoid branch cutaneous nerve Brachial artery Pectoral branch Median nerve -Axillary artery -Thoracoacromial artery Lateral pectoral nerve Medial pectoral nerve Intercostobrachial Radial nerve Circumflex scapular artery Lower subscapular nerve Subscapular artery Apical axillary (subclavian) nodes Pectoralis minor (cut) Interpectoral (Rotter's) nodes Parasternal nodes Thoracodorsal artery and nerve Latissimus dorsi muscle Level 3 Lateral thoracic artery and long thoracic nerve Level 2 Serratus anterior muscle B. Axillary lymph nodes Level 1. Lateral axillary (humeral) nodes -Latissimus dorsi-Posterior axillary (subscapular) nodes Central axillary nodes -Anterior axillary (pectoral) nodes Axillary vein-Pathway to anterior mediastinal nodes Pathways to opposite breast Pathways to inferior phrenic (subdiaphragmatic) nodes and liver

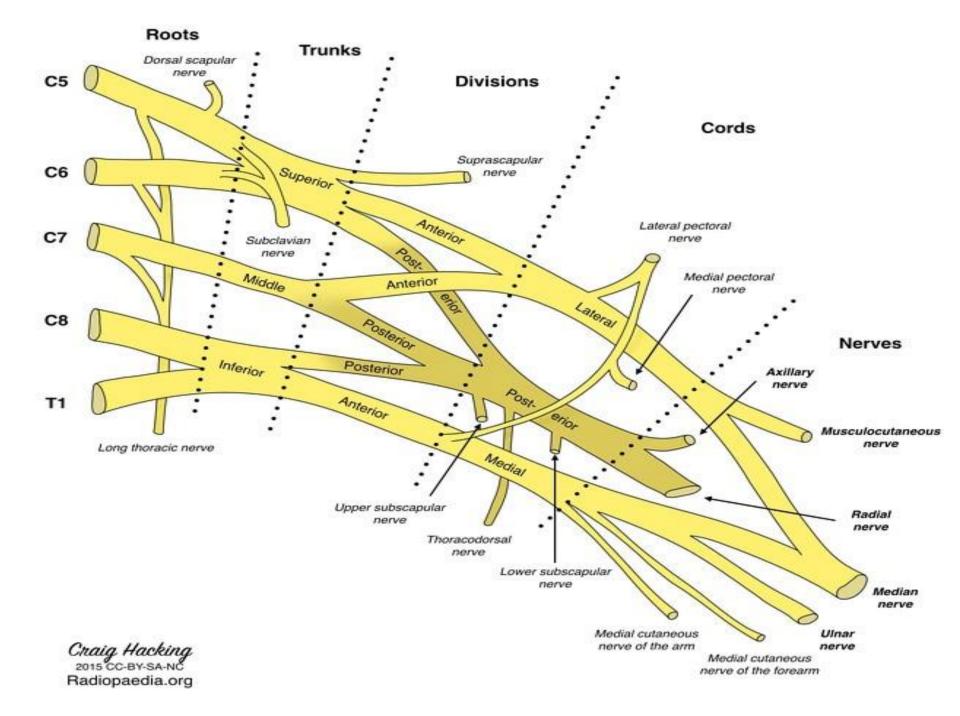


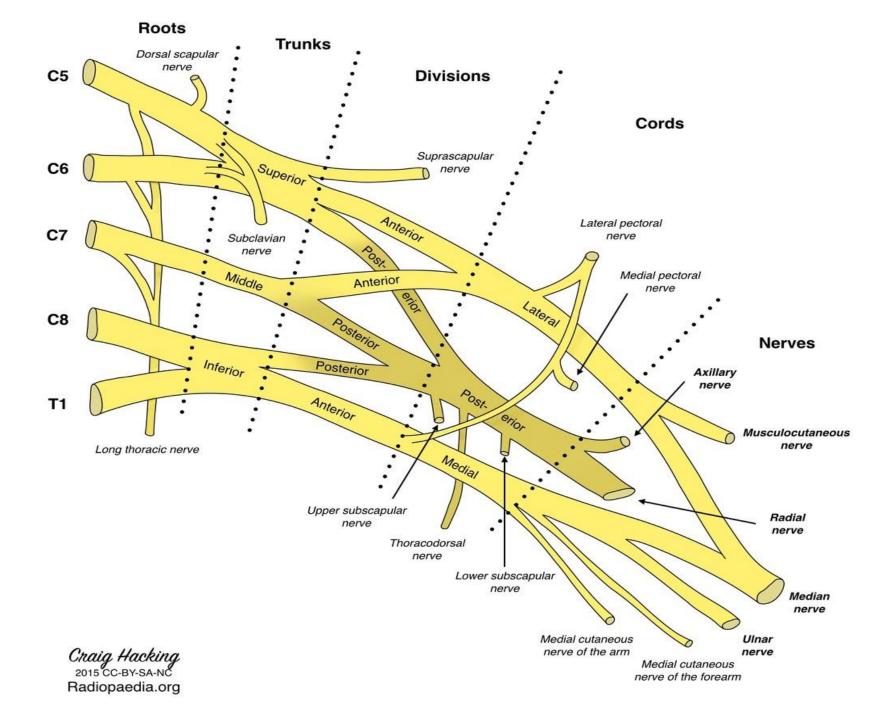


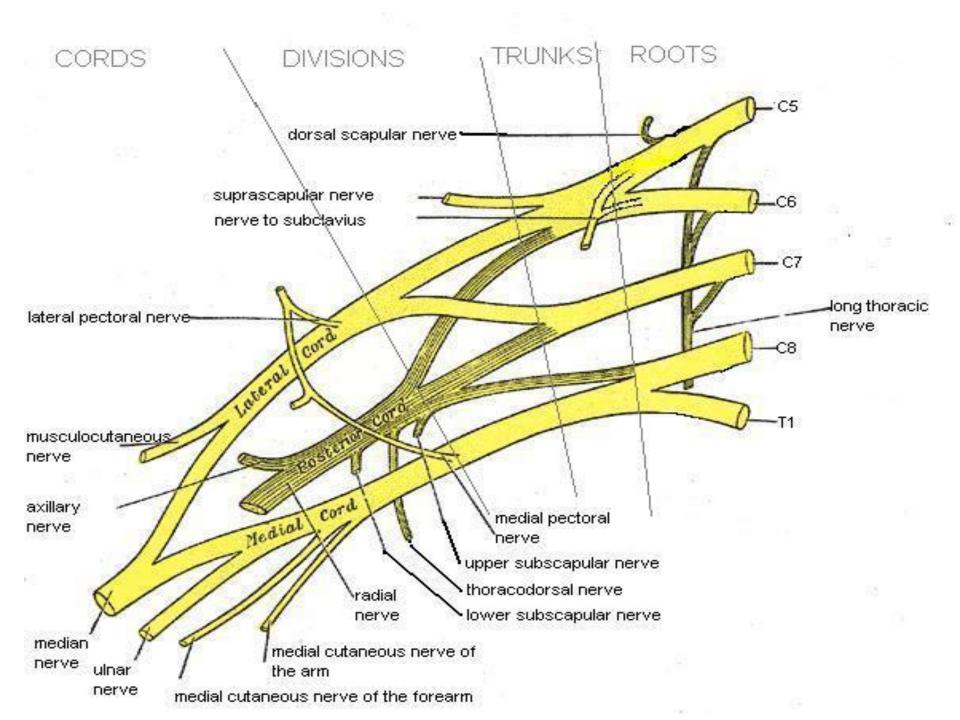


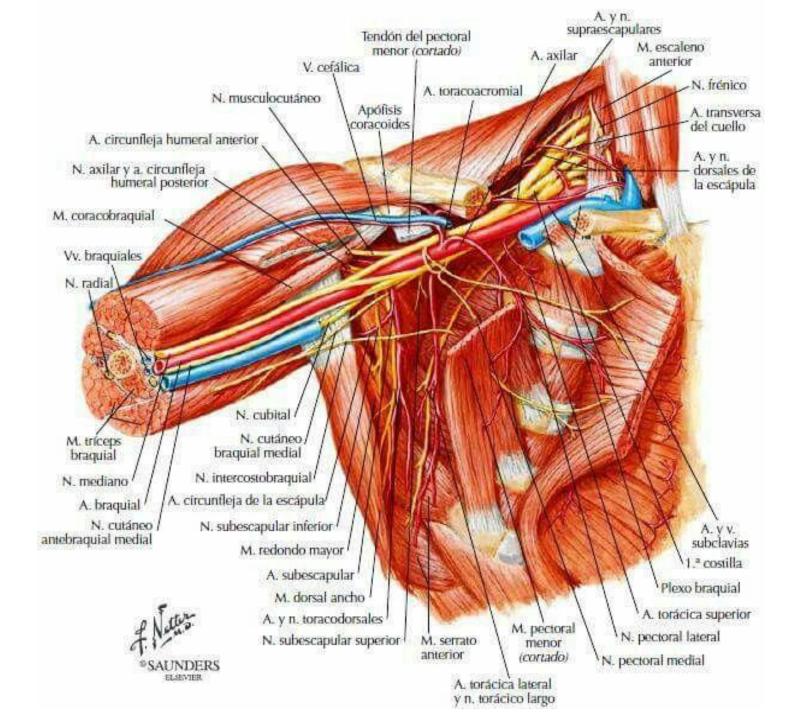


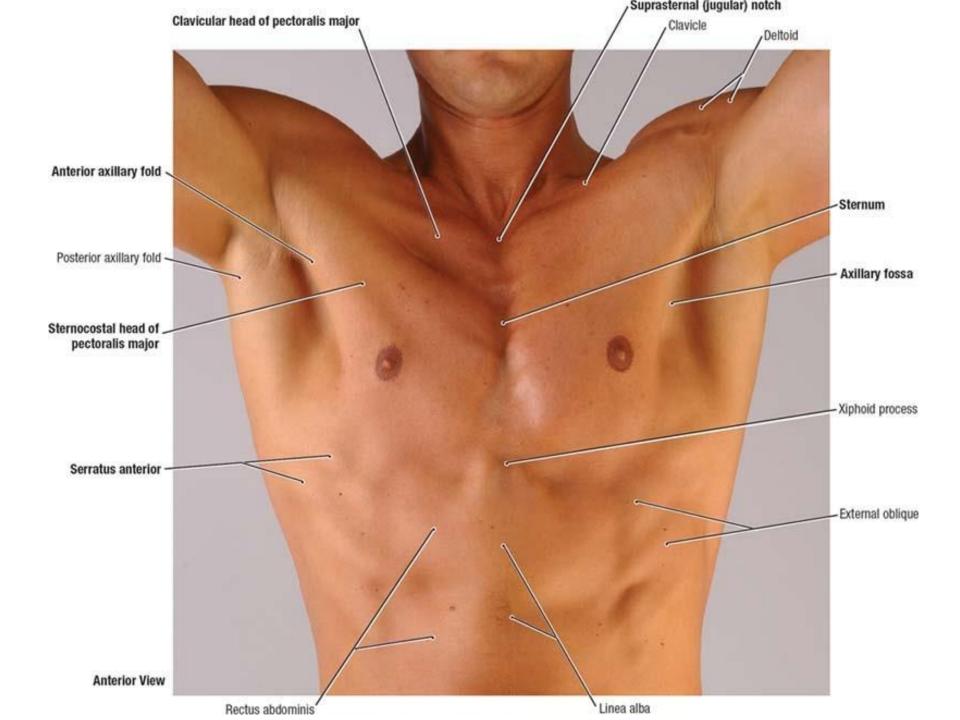


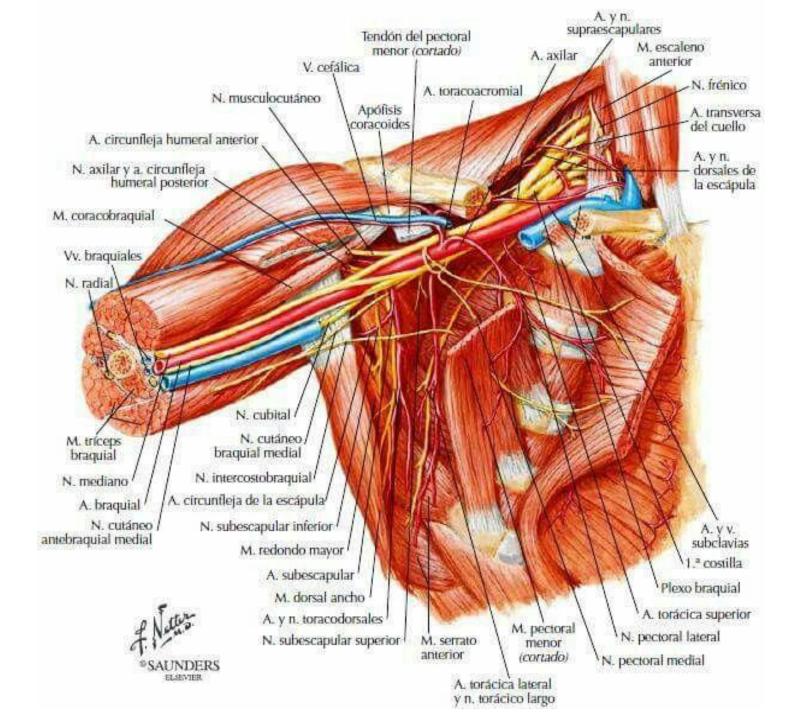


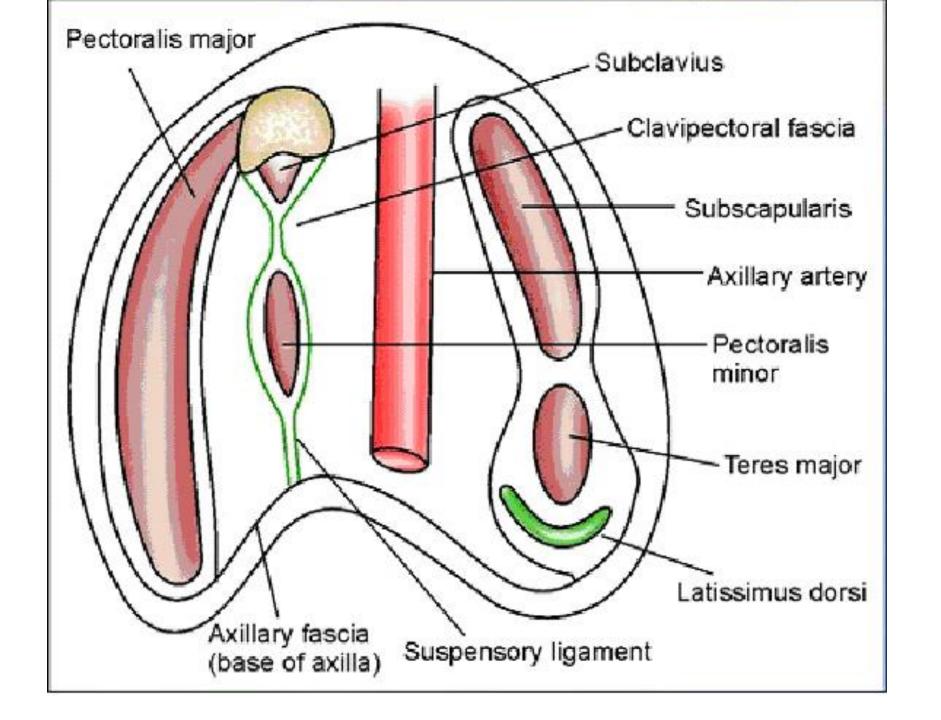












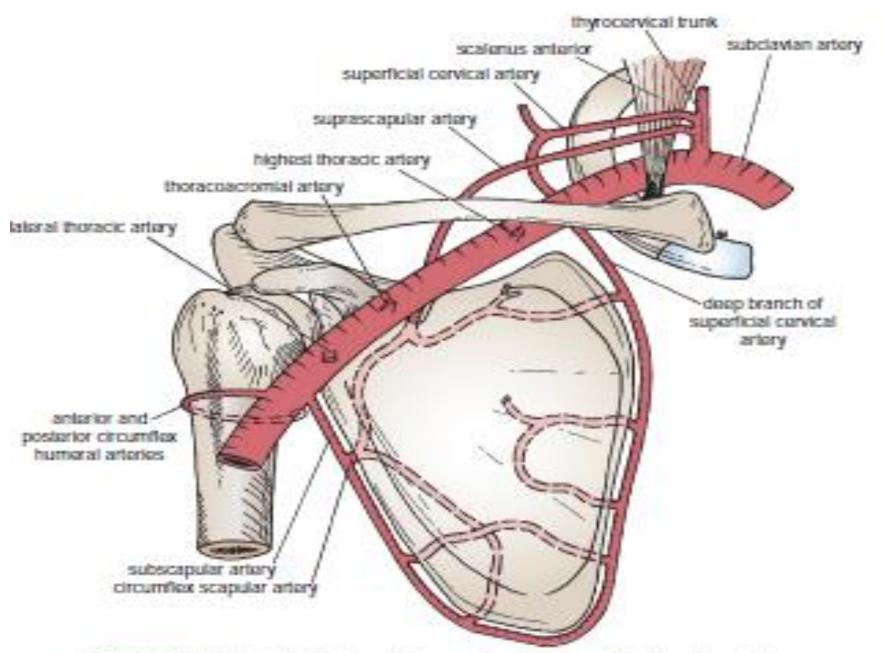
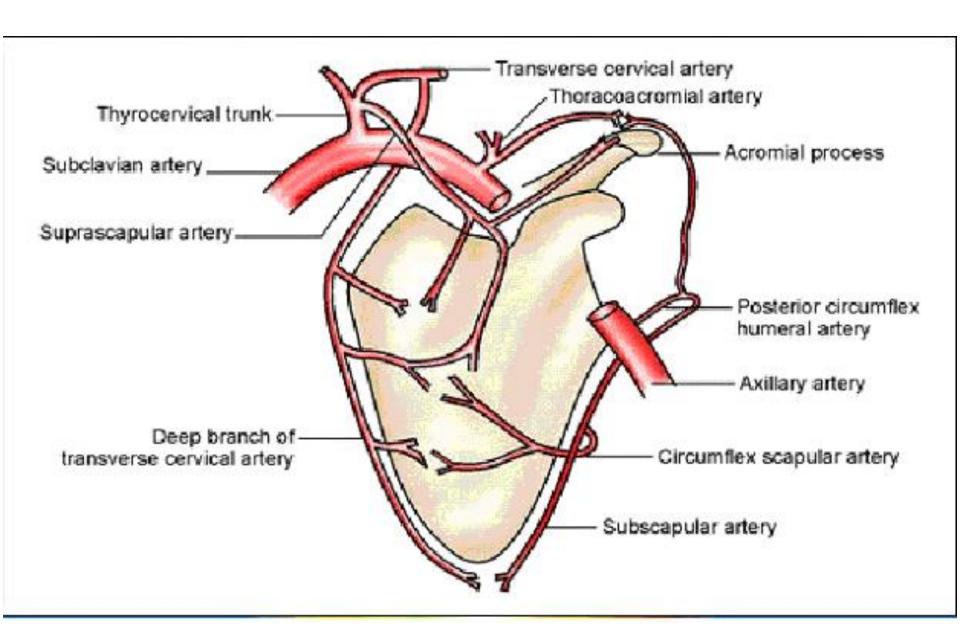


FIGURE 9.31 Arteries that take part in anastomosis around the shoulder joint.



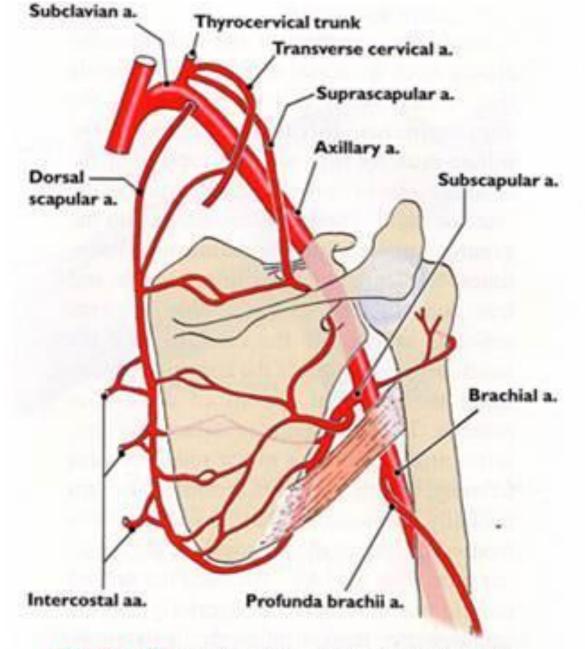
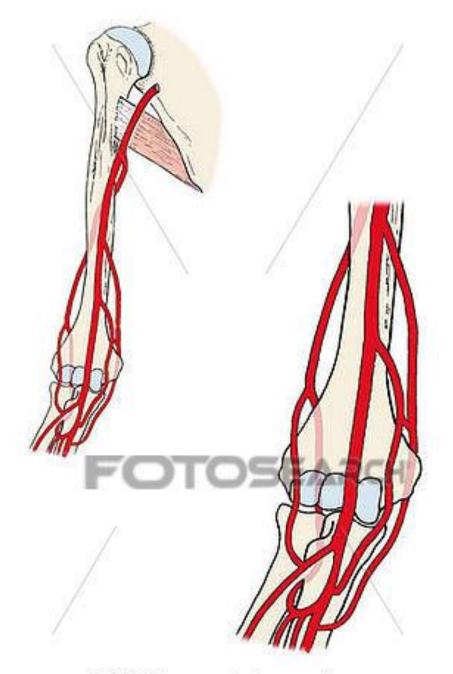
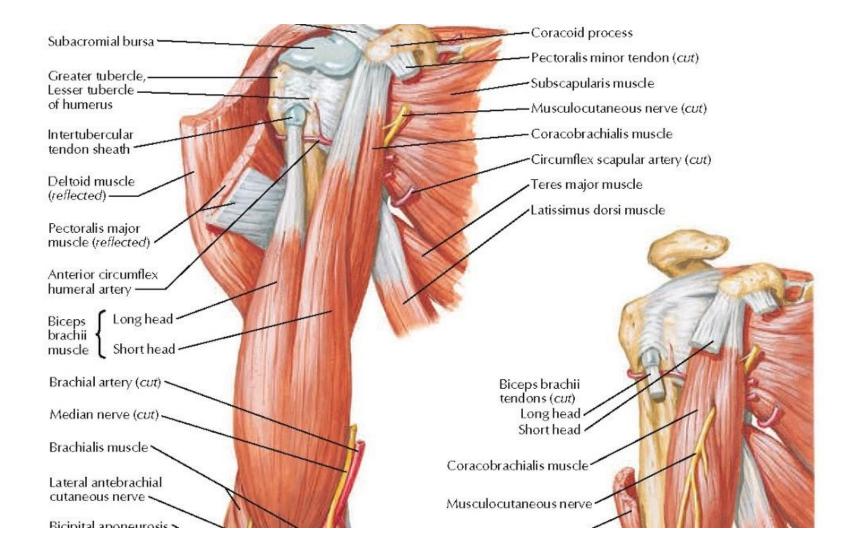
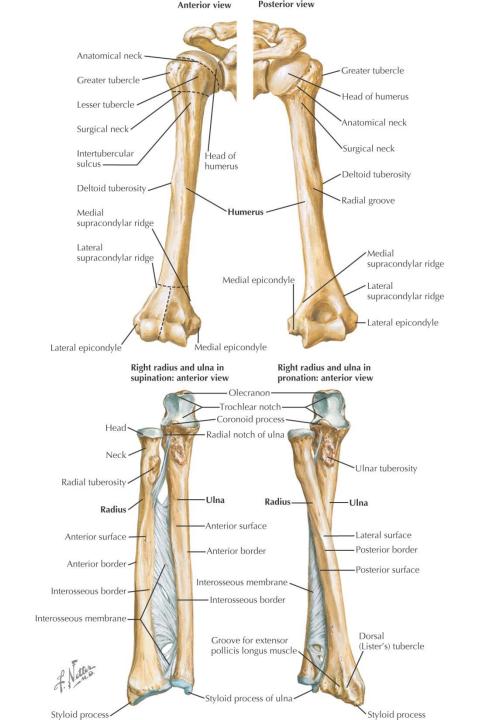


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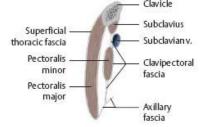


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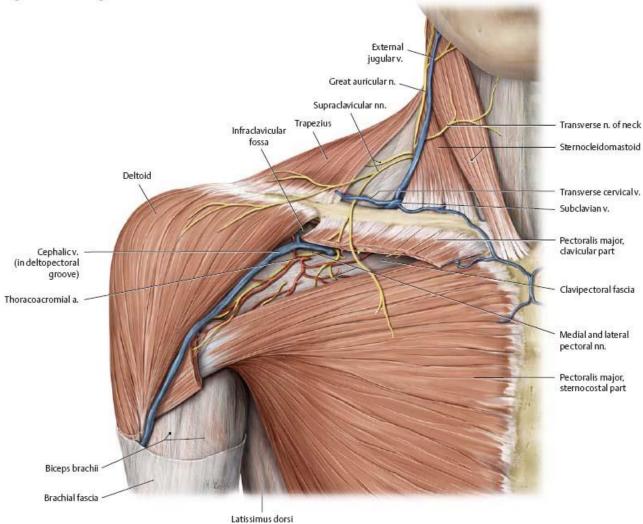




Anterior view Acromioclavicular joint capsule (incorporating acromioclavicular ligament) Clavicle Acromion ~ Trapezoid ligament Coraco-Coraco-acromial ligament clavicular Conoid ligament Supraspinatus tendon (cut) ligament Coracohumeral ligament Superior transverse scapular ligament and Greater tubercle andsuprascapular foramen Lesser tubercle of humerus Coracoid process Transverse humeral ligament-Communication of subtendinous Intertubercular tendon sheathbursa of subscapularis (communicates with synovial cavity) Dashed circle indicates Subscapularis tendon (cut) position of subtendinous bursa of subscapularis Biceps brachii tendon (long head) Capsular ligaments Anterior Supraspinatus muscle view Subdeltoid bursa fused with subacromial bursa Deltoid muscle Subscapularis muscle (reflected) Subdeltoid bursa Supraspinatus tendon Capsular ligament Synovial membrane Capsular ligament Acromion Deltoid Acromioclavicular muscle Coraco-acromial ligament Acromion-Coracoid process Supraspinatus tendor Coracohumeral ligament (fused to capsule) Biceps brachii tendon Subdeltoid bursa (long head) Infraspinatus tendon-(fused to capsule) Superior glenohumeral ligament Glenoid cavity (articular cartilage) Subscapularis tendon (fused to capsule) Teres minor tendon (fused to capsule) -Middle glenohumeral Glenoid Synovial membrane (cut edge) ligament cavity of scapula Glenoid Inferior glenohumeral Opening of subtendinous labrum ligament bursa of subscapularis Axillary recess Joint opened: lateral view Coronal section through joint



A Sagittal section through anterior wall.



B Anterior view. Removed: Platysma, muscle fasciae, superficial layer of cervical fascia, and pectoralis major (clavicular part). Revealed: Clavipectoral triangle.

