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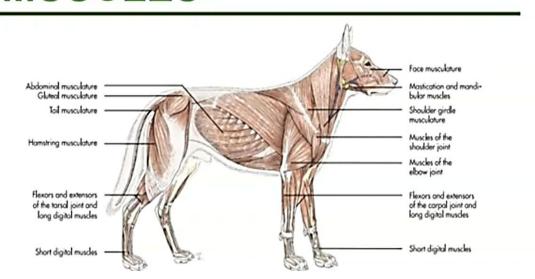
Muscular System

OBJECTIVES:

Identify the different muscles of the body.

Identify the main action of each muscle.

MUSCLES



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Tendon: fibrous bands of collagen connecting muscle to bone.

Aponeuroses: tendons associated with flat muscles.

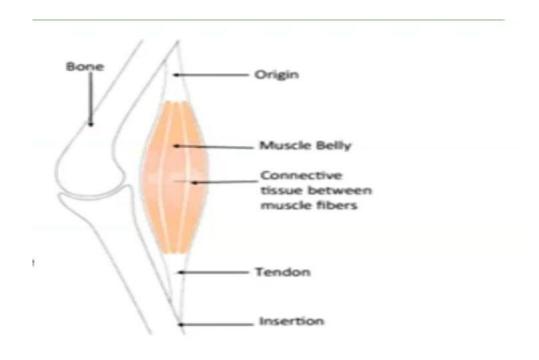
Origin: less movable attachment

Insertion: more movable attachment

Belly: thick fleshy central part

<u>Intrinsic muscle</u>: lie completely with one region of the body where they have their origin and insertion.

Extrinsic muscle: run from one region of the body to another.



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MUSCLES OF THE HEAD

- > Muscles of Mastication: have attachments to the mandible and contractions produce jaw movements associated with chewing.
- Muscles of Facial Expression: move skin and appendages of the face and head. also known as mimetic muscles.
- > Other muscles of the head: includes tongue muscles and extraocular muscles of the eyes.



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Muscles of Mastication:

1.Digastricus muscle:

Origin: Para condylar process of the occipital bone.

Insertion: Ventral border of the mandible.

Function: Opens the jaw (only significant jaw opener).

Innervation: Rostral belly by the mandibular nerve; caudal belly by the facial nerve (cranial

nerve VII).



2. Masseter muscle:

Origin: Zygomatic arch.

Insertion: Lateral surface of the mandible.

Function: Elevates and closes the jaw; contributes to side-to-side movement.

Note: Prominent and palpable muscle on the side of the face.

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3. Temporalis muscle:

Origin: Temporal fossa of the skull.

Insertion: Coronoid process of the mandible.

Function: Elevates the mandible (closes the jaw).

Note: Largest and strongest muscle of mastication in the dog.



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4.Medial and lateral pterygoids muscle:

Origin: Pterygoid bone and surrounding areas.

Insertion: Medial surface of the mandible.

Function: Elevate the jaw and move it medially (sideways grinding movement).

Note: Work in coordination with the masseter.

