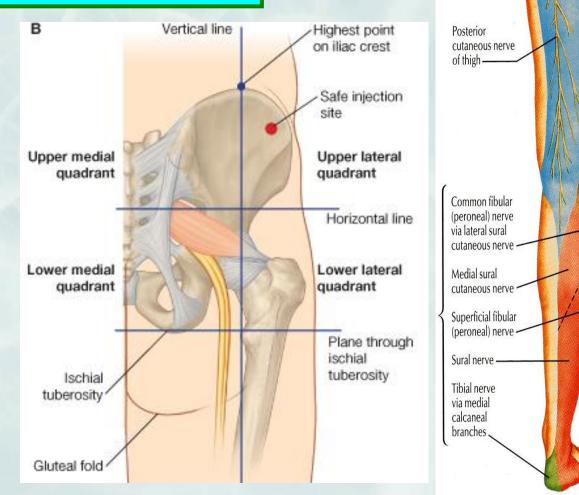
GLUTEAL REGION & BACK OF THIGH



OBJECTIVES

Sy the end of this lecture, you should be able to identify:

- * **Contents of the gluteal region:**
 - 3 Glutei muscles: Gluteus maximus, medius and minimus.
- Other 5 Small muscles: Piriformis, Obturator internus, Superior gemellus, Inferior gemellus and Quadratus femoris.
- Nerves & vessels.
- * <u>Foramina:</u> 1-Greater Sciatic Foramen.

2-Lesser Sciatic Foramen.

Back of the thigh: Hamstring muscles.

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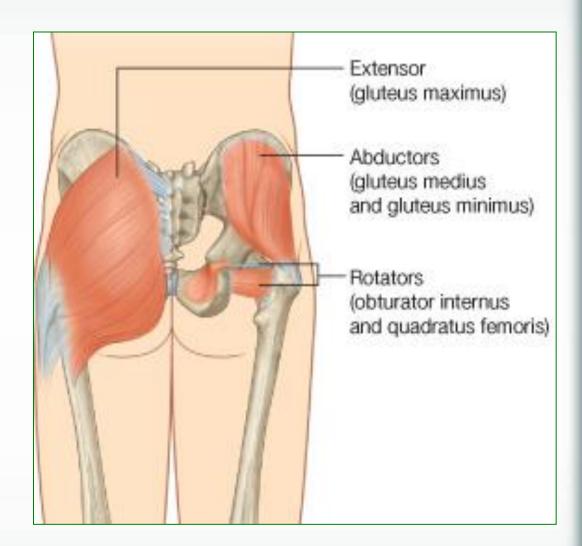
<u>I - Muscles:</u>

<u>A- GLUTEI:</u>

- 1. Gluteus maximus.
- 2. Gluteus medius.
- 3. Gluteus minimus.

B- GROUP OF SMALL MUSCLES:

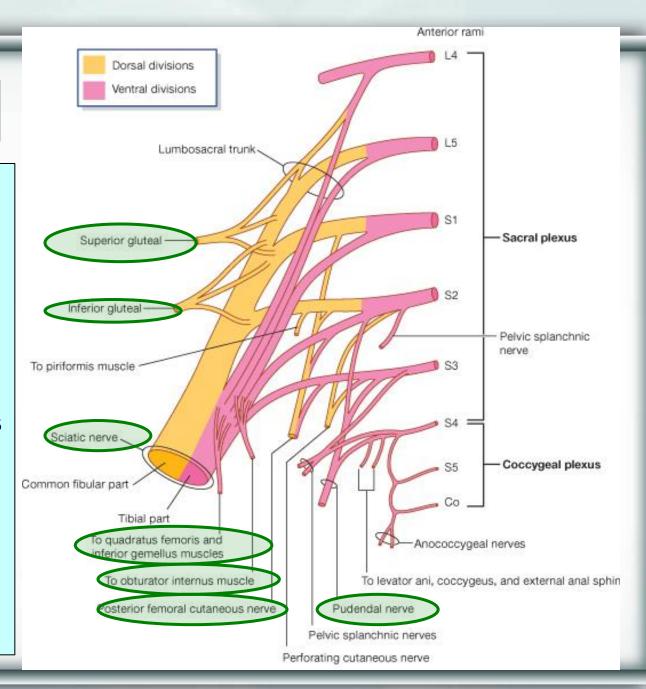
- 1. Piriformis.
- 2. Obturator internus.
- 3. Superior gemellus.
- 4. Inferior gemellus.
- 5. Quadratus femoris.



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II – <u>NERVES</u>: (all from sacral plexus):

- 1. Sciatic nerve.
- 2. Superior gluteal n.
- 3. Inferior gluteal n.
- 4. Posterior cutaneous nerve of thigh.
- 5. Nerve to obturator internus.
- 6. Nerve to quadratus femoris.
- 7. Pudendal nerve.



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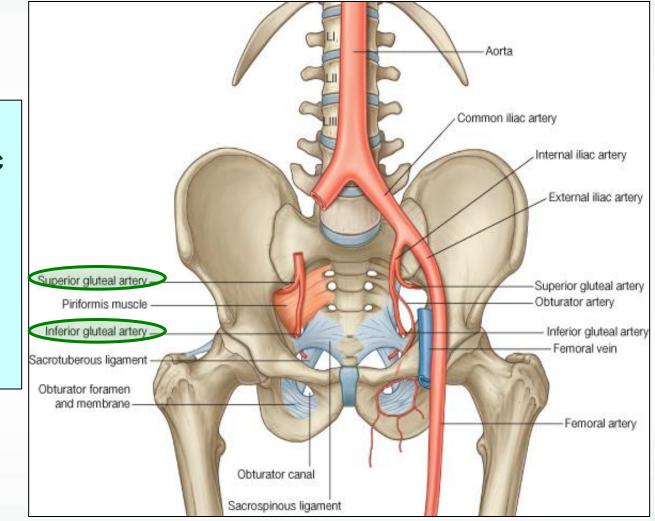
III - <u>VESSELS:</u>

(all from internal iliac vessels):

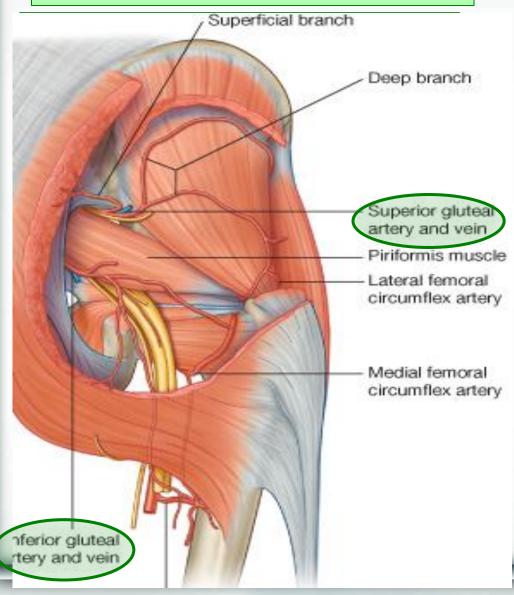
1. Superior gluteal V.

2. Inferior gluteal V.

3. Internal pudendal vessels.

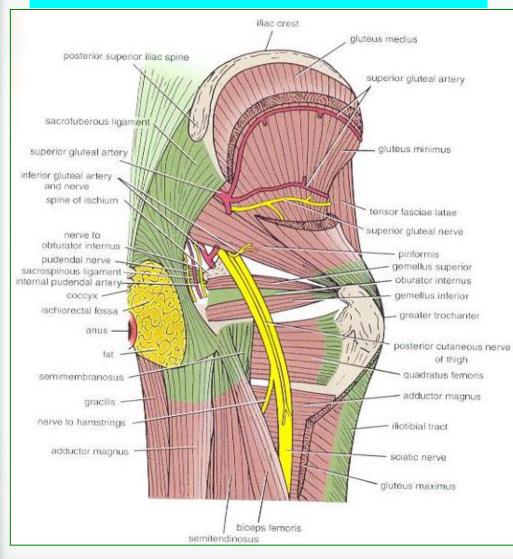


Greater sciatic foramen

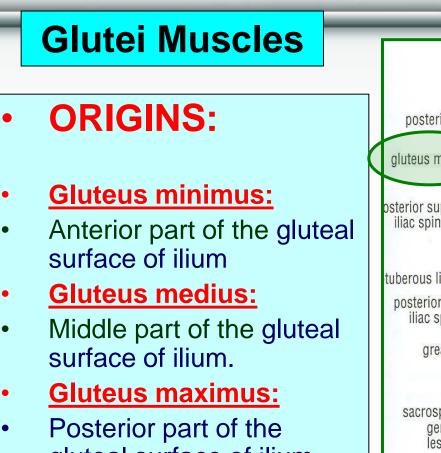


- Greater sciatic notch of hip bone is transformed into foramen by sacrotuberous & sacrospinous ligaments.
- Structures passing through Greater sciatic foramen :
- Piriformis muscle.
- <u>Above piriformis</u>:
- Superior gluteal nerves & vessels.
- Below piriformis:
- Inferior gluteal nerves & vessels.
- Sciatic nerve.
- Posterior cutaneous nerve of thigh.
- Nerve to quadratus femoris.
- Nerve to obturator internus.
- Pudendal N.
- Internal pudendal vessels.

Lesser sciatic foramen

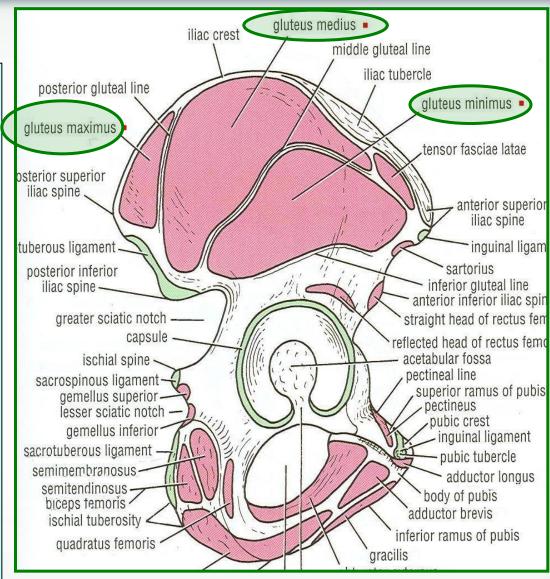


- Lesser sciatic notch of hip bone is transformed into foramen by Sacrotuberous & sacrospinous ligaments.
- Structures passing through Lesser sciatic foramen :
- 1. Tendon of obturator internus.
- 2. Nerve to obturator internus.
- 3. Pudendal nerve.
- 4. Internal pudendal vessels.



gluteal surface of ilium. Main origin of gluteus maximus:

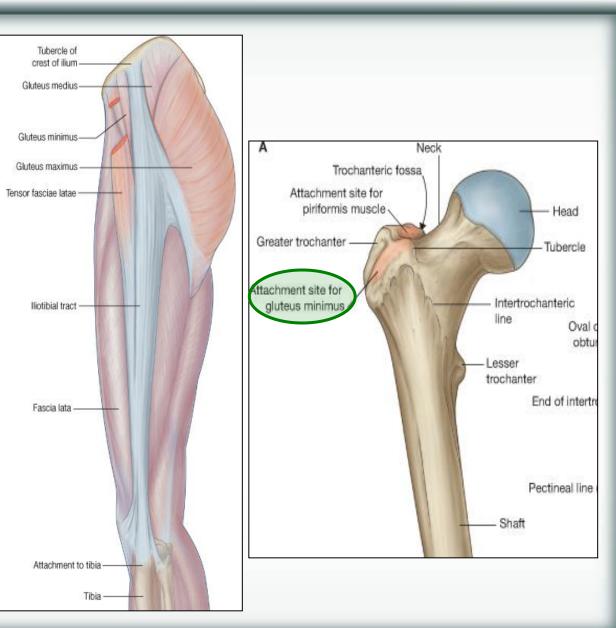
Back of sacrum & coccyx & back of Sacrotuberous ligament.



Glutei

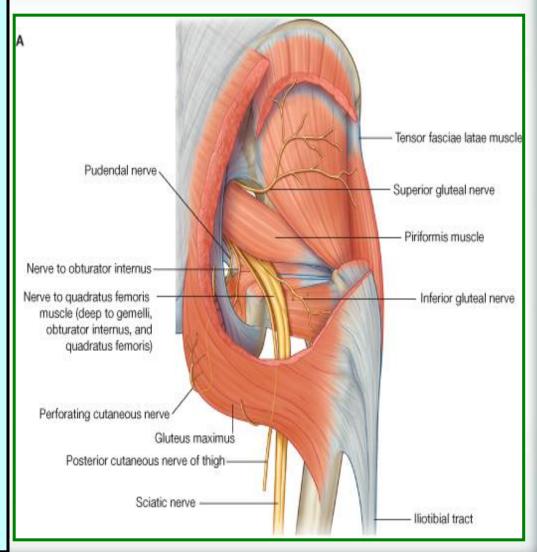
Insertion:

- Gluteus minimus: anterior surface of the greater trochanter
- Gluteus medius: lateral surface of the greater trochanter
- Gluteus maximus:
- 1. Main insertion: iliotibial tract
- 2. Other insertion: gluteal tuberosity of the femur.



- Gluteus medius & minimus:
- Nerve supply:
- Superior gluteal nerve.
- Action:
- Abduction & Medial rotation of hip joint.
- Also they prevent tilt of the pelvis on raising the other limb from ground.
- Gluteus maximus:
- Nerve supply:
- Inferior gluteal nerve.
- Action:
- Extension & lateral rotation of the hip joint.
- Through its attachment to iliotibial tract, <u>it stabilizes the</u> <u>femur on the tibia during</u> <u>standing</u>.

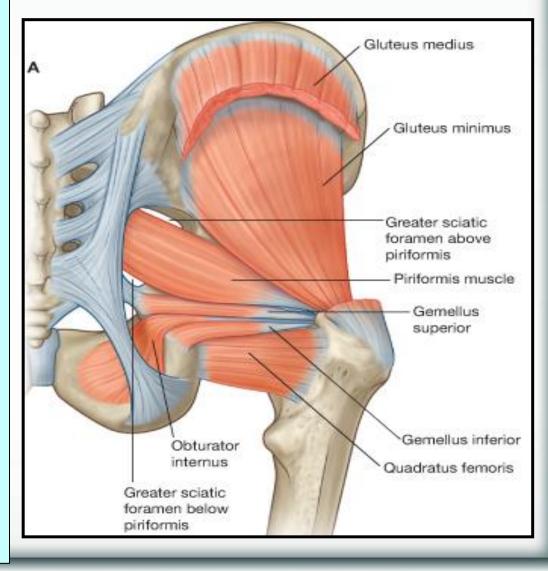
NERVE SUPPLY & ACTION



Obturator Internus:

- Origin:
- Inner surface and side wall of the pelvis.
- Insertion:
- Into the medial surface of the greater trochanter.
- Nerve supply:
- Nerve to obturator internus.
- <u>Superior & Inferior</u>
 <u>Gemelli:</u>
- Origin:
- <u>Superior gemellus;</u>
- upper part of lesser sciatic notch.
- Inferior gemellus:
- lower part of lesser sciatic notch.
- Insertion:
- Into tendon of obturator internus.
- Nerve supply:
- <u>Superior gemellus:</u> nerve to obturator internus.
- <u>Inferior gemellus:</u> nerve to quadratus femoris.

Small muscles

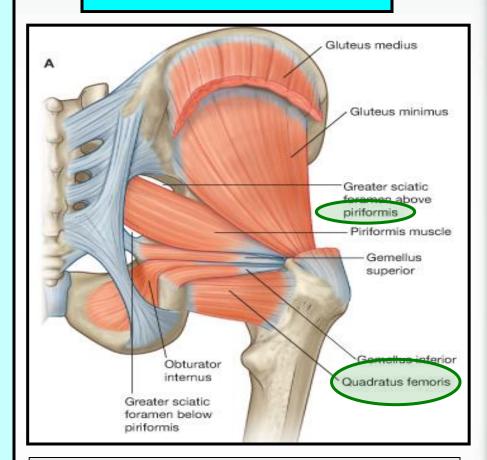


Piriformis:

• Origin:

- Pelvic surface of middle 3 sacral vertebrae.
- Insertion:
- It passes out of the pelvis through GSF to be inserted into the upper border of the greater trochanter.
- Nerve supply:
- Anterior rami of S1,2.
- <u>Quadratus femoris</u>:
- Origin:
- Lateral border of the ischial tuberosity.
- Insertion:
- Quadrate tubercle & intertrochanteric crest.
- Nerve supply:
- Nerve to quadratus femoris.

Small muscles



<u>Action:</u> all have <u>SIMILAR ACTION</u>: Lateral rotation of the hip joint. Control movement of the hip joint.

SUPERIOR GLUTEAL NERVE:

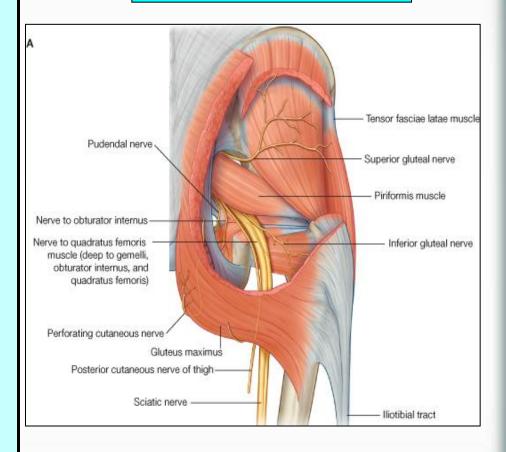
Course:

- Passes through GSF, above piriformis, then *between gluteus medius & minimus.*
- Branches:
- 1. Muscular to gluteus medius, minimus & tensor fasciae lata muscle.
- 2. Articular to hip joint. INFERIOR GLUTERAL NERVE:
- Course:
- passes through GSF, below piriformis, then deep to gluteus maximus.
- **Branches:** muscular to gluteus maximus.

NERVE TO QUADRATUS FEMORIS:

- Course:
- passes through GSF, below piriformis.
- Branches:
- 1. Muscular to quadratus femoris & inferior gemellus.
- 2. Articular to hip joint.

NERVES



POSTERIOR CUTANEOUS NERVE OT THE THIGH

Course:

Passes through GSF, below piriformis, then descends deep to deep fascia.

Branches:

Cutaneous branches to: gluteal region, back of scrotum (labium majus) back of thigh & upper part of back of leg. SCIATIC:

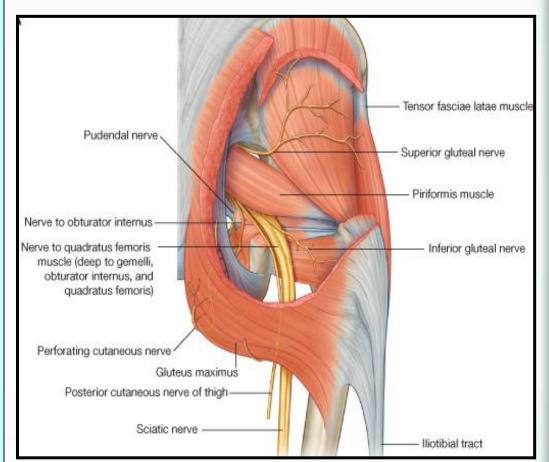
Course:

passes through GSF, below piriformis, then superficial to: ischial spine, superior gemellus, tendon of obturator internus, inferior gemellus, quadratus femoris & adductor magnus.

Branches:

<u>No branches in gluteal region,</u> <u>divides into tibial & common</u> peroneal nerves, <u>in the middle</u> <u>of back of thigh</u>

NERVES



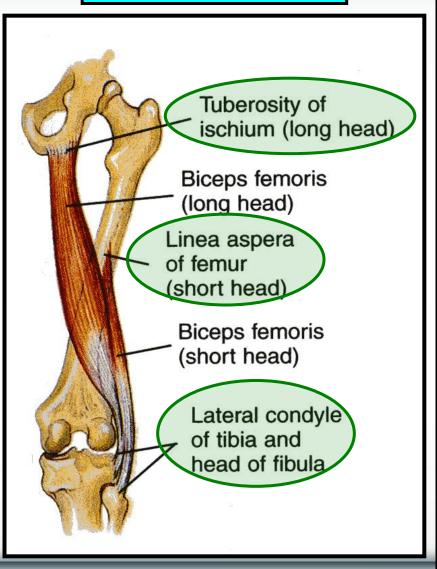
POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT OF THE THIGH



CONTENTS

- Muscles:
- Hamstring muscles:
- Biceps femoris.
- Semitendinosus.
- Semimembranosus.
- Ischial part of adductor magnus.
- Blood supply:
- Branches of the profunda femoris artery.
- Nerve supply:
- Sciatic nerve.





• Biceps Femoris,

Origin:

- Long head from the ischial tuberosity.
- Short head from the linea aspera

Insertion:

Into the *head of the fibula.*

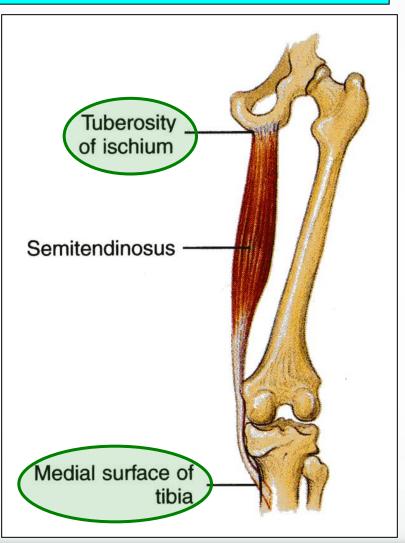
Nerve supply:

- Long head is supplied by the tibial part of the sciatic;
- Short head is supplied by the common peroneal part of the sciatic.

Action

- Flexion of knee.
- Lateral rotation of flexed leg.
- Long head: extends the hip.

SEMITENDINOSUS



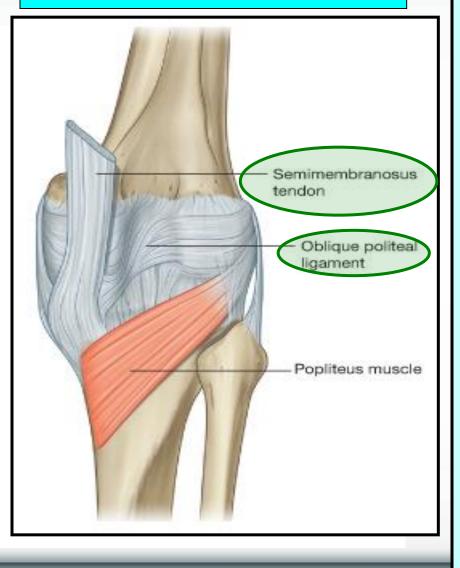
• Origin:

- Ischial tuberosity.
- Insertion:
- Upper part of the medial surface of the shaft of the tibia <u>(SGS</u>).

Nerve supply:

- Tibial portion of the sciatic.
 Action
- <u>Flexes</u> and medially rotates the leg at the knee joint.
- E<u>xtends</u> the thigh at the hip joint.

SEMIMEMBRANOSUS



<u>Origin:</u>

- Ischial tuberosity.
- Insertion:
- Posterior surface of the medial condyle of the tibia.
- It forms the **oblique popliteal ligament**, which reinforces the capsule on the back of the knee joint.

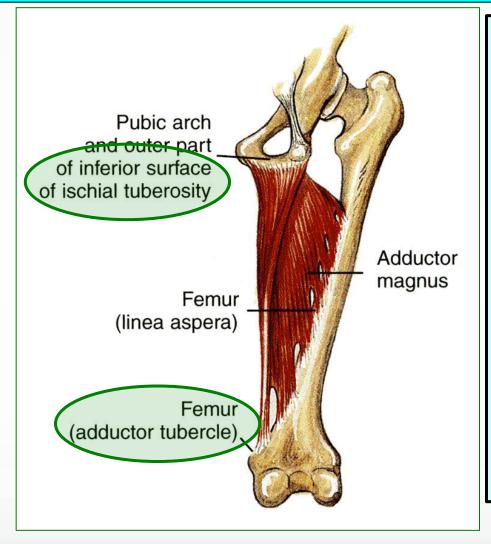
Nerve supply

• Tibial portion of the sciatic nerve.

Action

- <u>Flexes</u> and medially rotates the leg at the knee joint;
- E<u>xtends</u> the thigh at the hip.

ADDUCTOR MAGNUS (HAMSTRING PART)

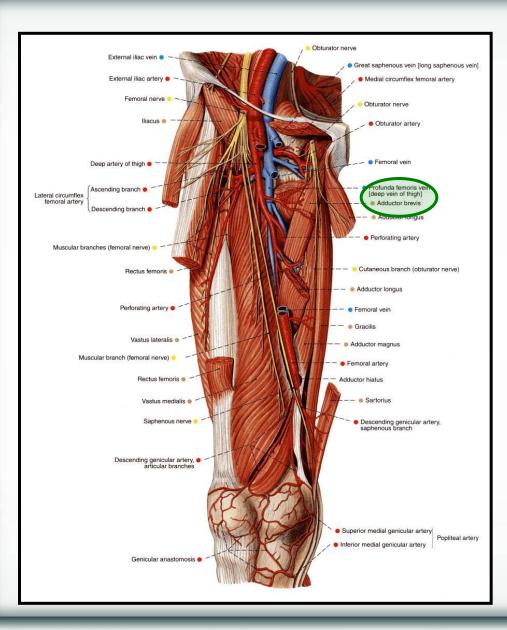


• Origin:

- Ischial ramus and ischial tuberosity.
- Insertion:
- Adductor tubercle of the medial condyle of the femur.
- Nerve supply:
- Tibial portion of sciatic.

• Action:

• <u>Extends</u> the thigh at the hip joint.



BLOOD SUPPLY

- The four perforating branches of the profunda femoris artery provide a rich blood supply to this compartment.
- The **profunda femoris vein** drains the greater part of the blood from the compartment.

NERVE SUPPLY



Sciatic Nerve

- The sciatic nerve, is a branch of the sacral plexus (L4 and 5; S1, 2, and 3), leaves the gluteal region as it descends in the midline of the thigh.
- It is <u>overlapped posteriorly</u> by the adjacent margins of the <u>biceps</u> femoris and <u>semimembranosus</u> muscles.
- It lies on the posterior aspect of the <u>adductor magnus</u>.
- In the lower third of the thigh it ends by dividing into tibial and common peroneal nerves.