

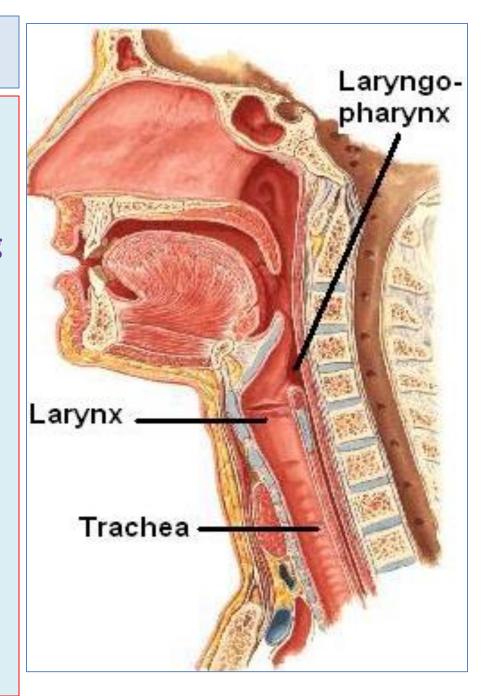
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# **Objectives**

- By the end of the lecture, you should be able to:
- Describe the Extent, structure and functions of the larynx.
- Describe the Extent, structure and functions of the trachea.
- Describe the bronchi and branching of the bronchial tree.
- Describe the functions of bronchi and their divisions.

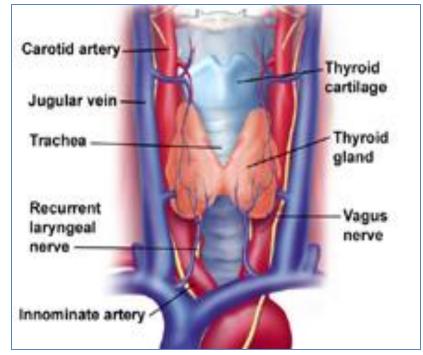
# **LARYNX**

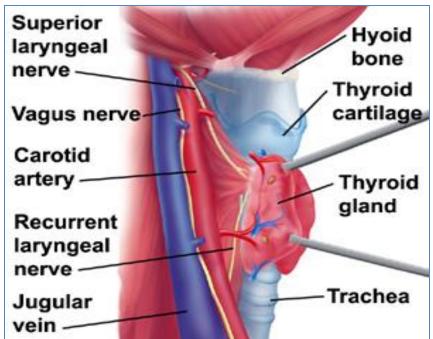
- The larynx is the part of the respiratory tract which contains the vocal cords.
- In adult it is about 2 -inchs- long tube.
- It opens <u>above</u> into the laryngeal part of the pharynx.
- <u>Below</u>, it is continuous with the trachea.
- The larynx has function in:
  - Respiration (breathing).
  - Phonation (voice production).
  - Deglutition (swallowing).



# Relations

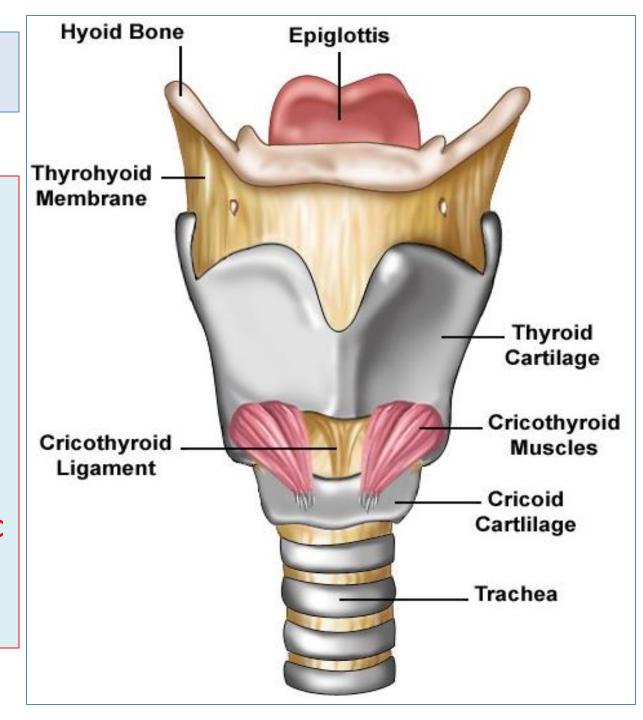
- The larynx is related to major critical structures in the neck.
- Arteries:
- <u>Carotid arteries</u>: 3 (common, external and internal).
- Thyroid arteries: 3 (superior & inferior thyroid arteries and thyroidema artery).
- Veins:
- Jugular veins, (external & internal).
- Nerves:
- Laryngeal nerves: (Superior laryngeal & recurrent laryngeal).
- Vagus nerves.





# **Structure**

- The larynx consists
   of four basic
   components:
- 1- Cartilaginous skeleton.
- 2- Membranes and ligaments.
- 3- Muscles (Intrinsic & extrinsic).
- 4- Mucosal lining.

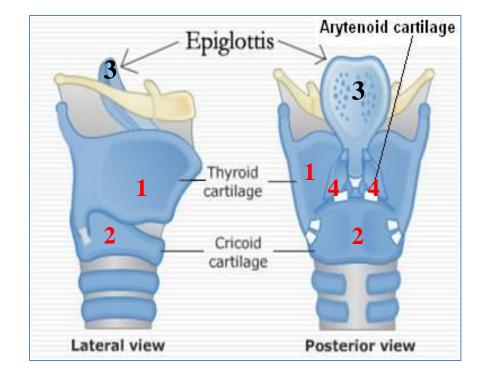


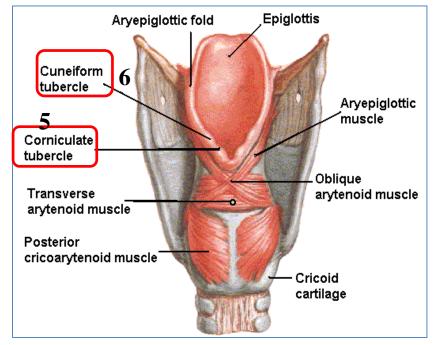
# **Cartilages**

- The cartilaginous skeleton is composed of:
  - 1. Thyroid
  - 2. Cricoid 3 Single

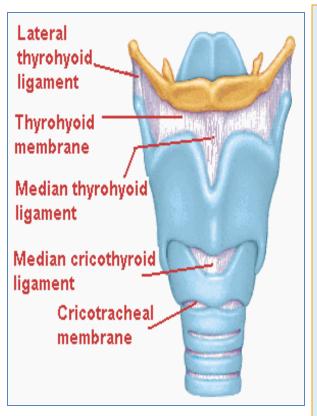
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- 3. Epiglottis -
- 4. Arytenoid
- 5. Corniculate
- 6. Cuneiform
- All the cartilages, are **hyaline** except the **epiglottis** which is **Elastic** cartilage.
- The cartilages are:
  - Connected by joints, & ligaments.
  - Lined by membranes.
  - Moved by muscles.



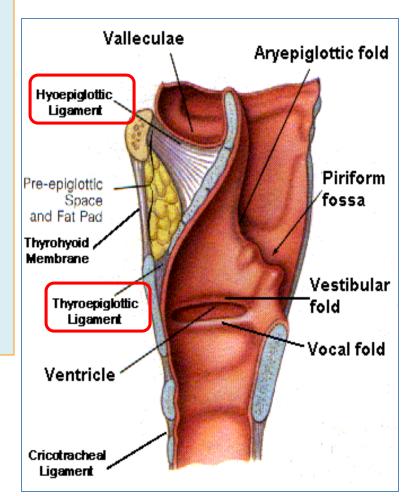


# **MEMBRANES & LIGAMENTS**

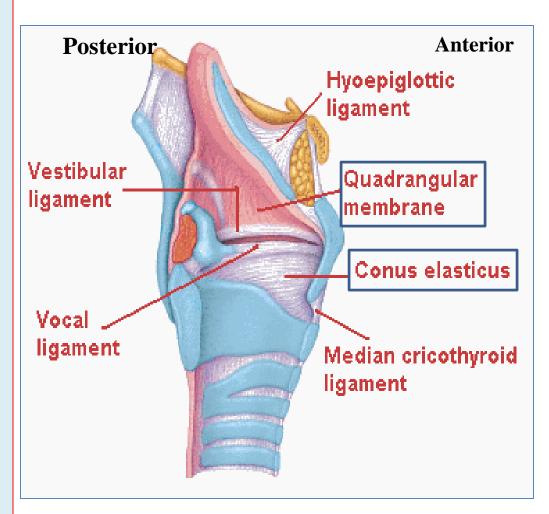


- Thyrohyoid membrane.
- Cricothyroid membrane.
- Cricotracheal membrane.
- Hyoepiglottic ligament.
- Thyroepiglottic ligament.

The thyrohyoid membrane is thickened in the median plane to form median thyrohyoid ligament and on both sides to form lateral thyrohyoid ligaments.

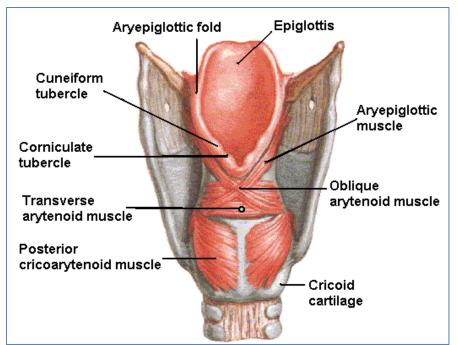


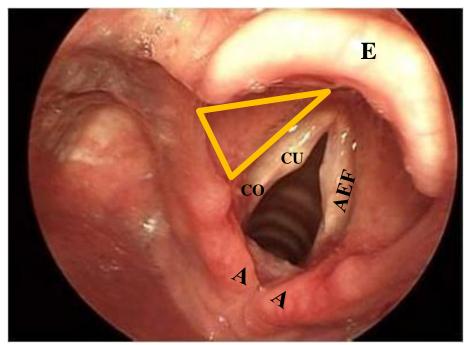
- Quadrangular Or aryepiglottic membrane,
  - It extends between the arytenoid and epiglottis.
  - Its <u>lower free</u> margin forms the <u>vestibular</u> <u>ligament which forms</u> the false vocal cord or <u>vestibular fold</u>.
- Cricothyroid membrane (conus elasticus):
  - Its upper free margin forms <u>Vocal ligament.</u>
  - Its lower margin is attached to the upper border of the cricoid cartilage.



# Laryngeal Inlet

- It is the upper opening of the larynx.
- It is directed upward and backward.
- It opens into the laryngeal part of the pharynx, (laryngopharynx).
- It is bounded by:
  - Anteriorly: upper margin of epiglottis (E).
  - <u>Posteriorly & below:</u> arytenoid cartilages (A).
  - Laterally by the Aryepiglottic folds (AEF).





# **Laryngeal Cavity**

- Extends from laryngeal inlet to lower border of the cricoid cartilage.
- Narrow in the region of the vestibular folds (Rima vestibuli).
- Narrowest in the region of the vocal folds (Rima glottidis).
- Divided into <u>three parts</u>:
  - A. Supraglottic or vestibule part:

it is the part above the vestibular folds.

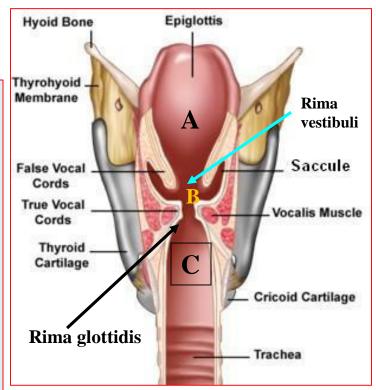
#### **B. Ventricle:**

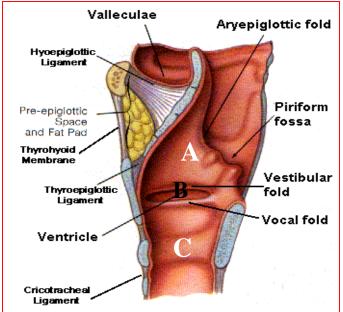
between vestibular & vocal folds.

#### C. Infraglottic part:

below the vocal folds.

NB. The ventricle has an upward invagination called **saccule** which is rich in goblet cells.





# **Mucous Membrane**

- The laryngeal cavity is lined by:
   <u>Ciliated columnar epithelium</u>

  <u>except</u> the surface of vocal cords.
- The surface of vocal folds, is covered with:
- Stratified squamous epithelium, because of exposure to continuous trauma during phonation.
- It contains many mucous glands, more numerous in the region of the saccule (for lubrication of vocal folds).

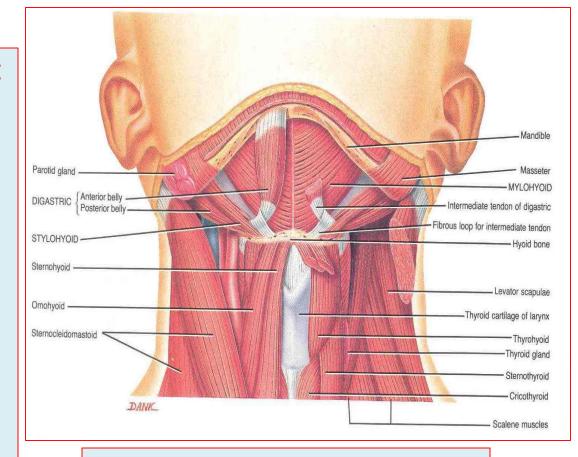
# <u>Muscles</u> <u>Laryngeal muscles are</u>

## divided into two main groups:

- Extrinsic muscles: subdivided into two groups:
  - Elevators of the larynx.
  - Depressors of the larynx.
- Intrinsic muscles: subdivided into two groups:
  - Muscles controlling the laryngeal inlet.
  - Muscles controlling the movements of the vocal cords.

# **Elevators of the Larynx:**

- A- The Suprahyoid Muscles: (MSGD)
  - Mylohyoid.
  - 2. Stylohyoid.
  - 3. Geniohyoid.
  - 4. Digastric.
- B- The Longitudinal Muscles of the <u>Pharynx</u>:
  - Stylopharyngeus.
  - Salpingopharyngeus.
  - Palatopharyngeus.

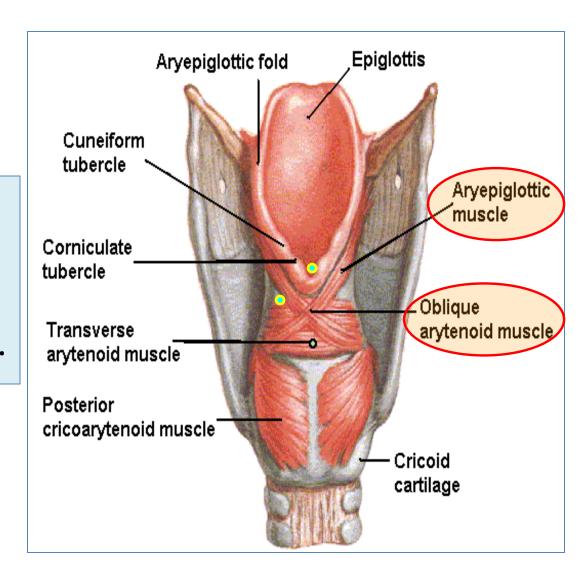


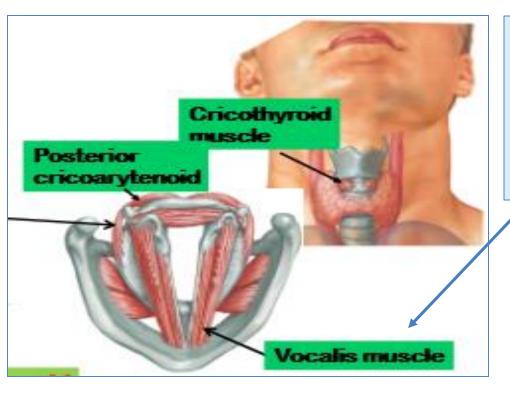
# Depressors of the Larynx:

- The Infrahyoid Muscles:
  - Sternohyoid.
  - Sternothyroid.
  - Omohyoid.

# Muscles Controlling the Laryngeal Inlet:

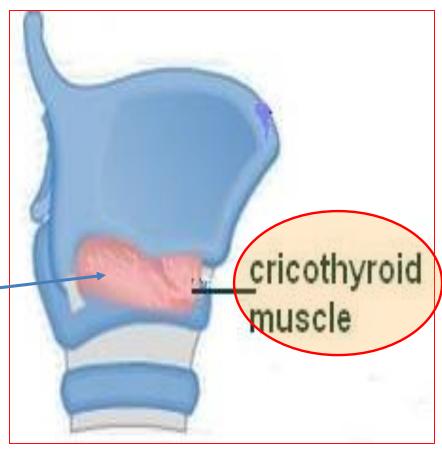
- Oblique arytenoid.
- Aryepiglottic muscle.



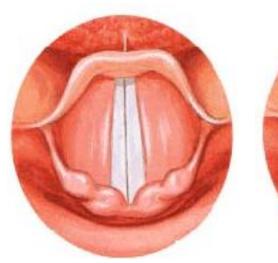


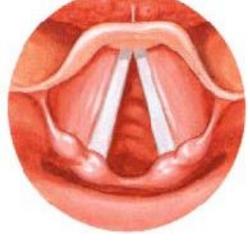
- Muscle decreasing the Length & Tension of Vocal Cords
  - Thyroarytenoid (vocalis).

- Muscle increasing the Length & Tension of Vocal Cords.
  - Cricothyroid.
  - NB. It is the only intrinsic muscle which is found outside the larynx.



## **Movements of the Vocal Cords**





**Adduction** 

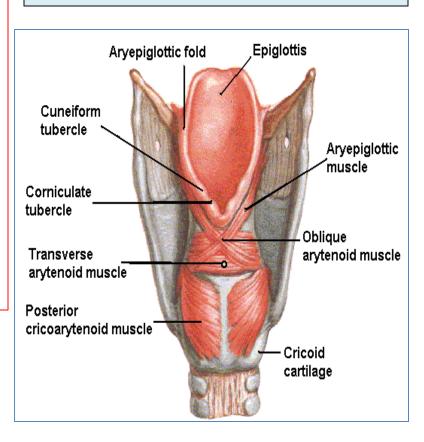
**Abduction** 

## **Adductors:**

- Lateral cricoarytenoid.
- Transverse arytenoid.

# **Abductor:** (ONLY ONE)

• Posterior cricoarytenoid.



# **Blood Supply**

#### Arteries:

- Upper half: Superior laryngeal artery, branch of superior thyroid artery.
- Lower half: Inferior laryngeal artery, branch of inferior thyroid artery.

#### Veins:

Accompany the corresponding arteries.

## Lymphatics:

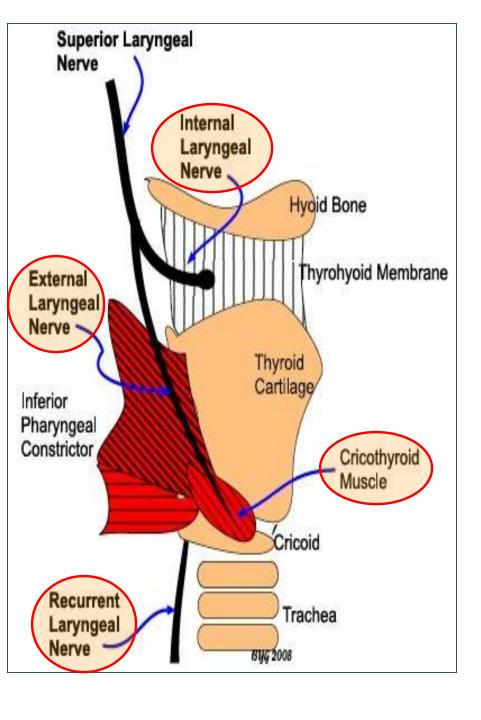
 The lymph vessels drain into the deep cervical lymph nodes.

# **Nerve Supply** (very important):

- **■** Motor
  - All intrinsic muscles, are supplied by the recurrent laryngeal nerve of vagus nerve except the cricothyroid.
  - The <u>cricothyroid</u> is supplied by the <u>external laryngeal</u> nerve of superior laryngeal of vagus.

## □ **Sensory**

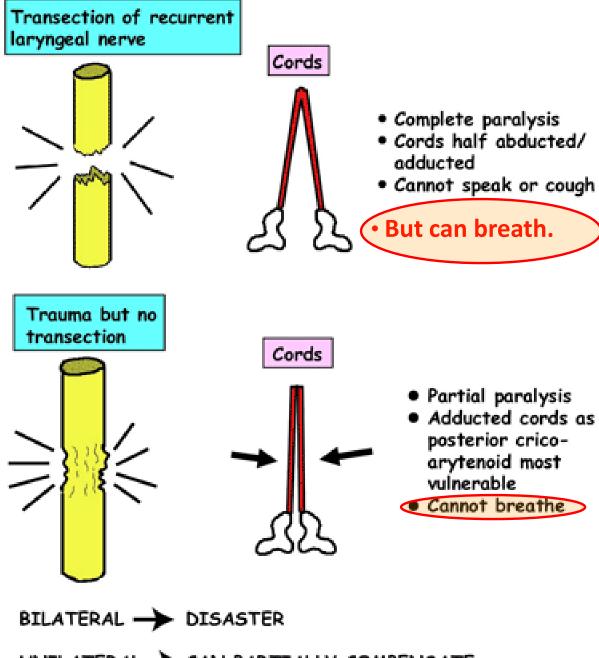
- Above the vocal cords: Internal laryngeal nerve, of the superior laryngeal of the vagus nerve.
- Below the vocal cords: Recurrent laryngeal nerve, of the vagus nerve.



# **SEMON'S LAW** OR **DAMAGE OF THE** LARYNGEAL NERVES

#### Semon's Law

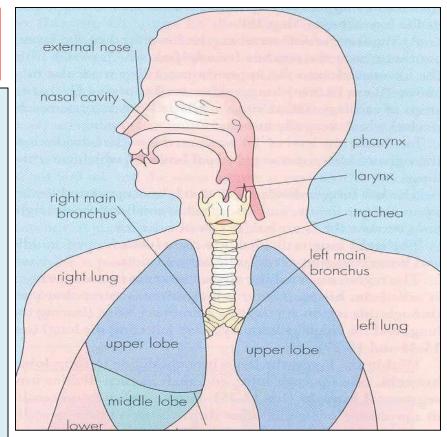
indicates the different effect between damage (surgical trauma) and transection of the recurrent laryngeal nerve due to surgery in region of the neck (e.g. thyroidectomy or parathyroidectomy).

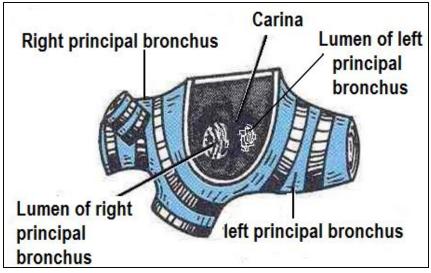


UNILATERAL - CAN PARTIALLY COMPENSATE

# TRACHEA (windpipe)

- Mobile, fibrocartilginous tube, 5 inches long, 1 inch in diameter
- Begins: In the neck below the cricoid cartilage of larynx (C 6).
- Ends: In the thorax at the level of sternal angle (lower border of T 4), by dividing into right and left principal (main, primary) bronchi.
- The ridge at the bifurcation from inside is called <u>carina</u>.
- It is the most sensitive part of the respiratory tract and is associated with the cough reflex.
- Its wall is supported by 16-20 horse show cartilage.





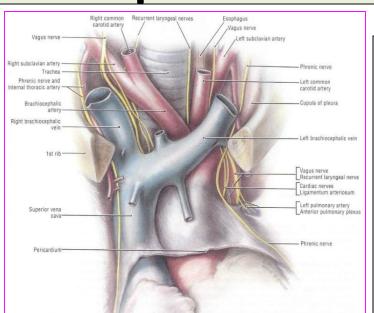
# Relations in the Superior Mediastinum

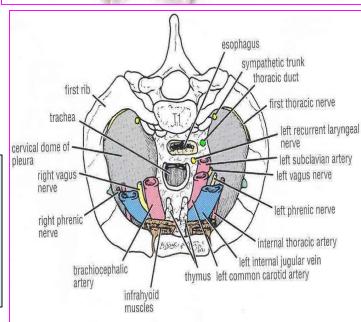
### **Anterior**

- Sternum.
- Thymus, (remains of thymus gland).
- Left brachiocephalic vein.
- Arch of aorta.
- Origin of:
- Brachiocephalic artery.
- Left common carotid artery.

### **Posterior**

- Esophagus.
- Left recurrent laryngeal nerve.





## **Left side**

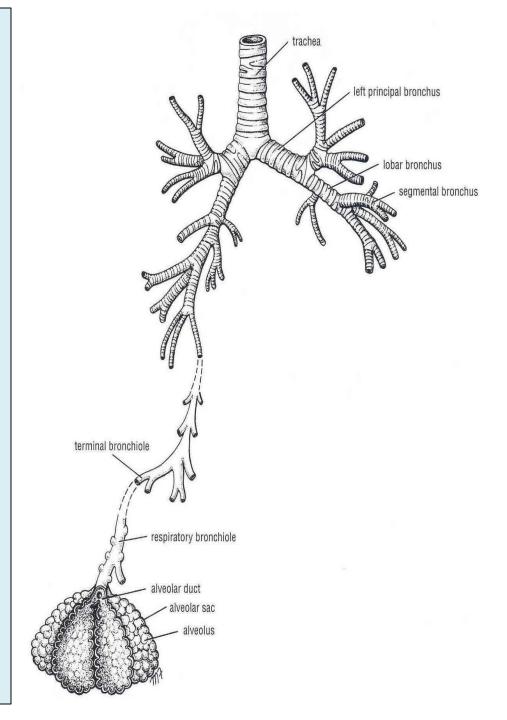
- Arch of aorta.
- Left common carotid artery.
- left subclavian artery.
- Left vagus nerve.
- Left phrenic nerve.
- Left pleura.

# Right side

- Azygos vein.
- Right vagus nerve.
- Right pleura.

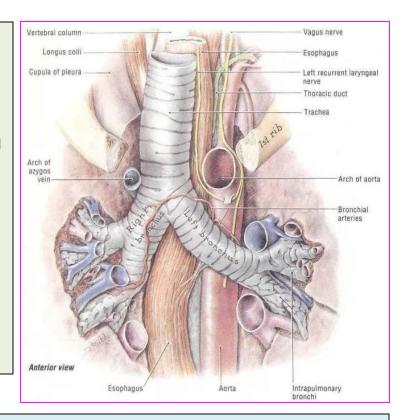
## **Nerve Supply**

- The sensory supply is from the
- 1. Vagus nerves. and
- Recurrent laryngeal nerves.
  Branches from the sympathetic trunks supply the trachialis muscle.
  - **Blood Supply**
- Arteries:
- Branches from the inferior thyroid and bronchial arteries.
- Veins:
- Drain to inferior thyroid veins.
- Lymphatic Drainage
- Into the pretracheal and paratracheal lymph nodes.



## **Right Principal Bronchus:**

- About one inch long.
- Wider, shorter and more vertical than the left, (in line with the trachea).
- Gives superior lobar bronchus before entering the hilum of the right lung.
- On entering the hilum it divides into middle and inferior lobar bronchi.



## **Left Principal Bronchus**

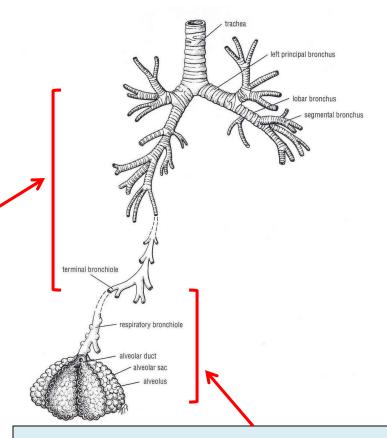
- About two inches long.
- Narrower, longer and more horizontal than the right.
- Passes to the left below the aortic arch and in front of esophagus.
- On entering the hilum of the left lung it divides into superior and inferior lobar bronchi.

# **Bronchial Divisions**

Within the lung each bronchus divides and redivides into number of branches that can be divided into two groups:

## **Conduction zone branches**

- 1. Primary (main) bronchi.
- 2. Secondary (lobar) bronchi.
- 3. Tertiary or segmental bronchi. (supply the bronchopulmonary segment).
- 4. Smaller bronchi.
- 5. Bronchioles.
- Terminal bronchioles.



# **Respiratory zone branches:**

- 1. Respiratory bronchioles.
- Alveolar ducts.
- 3. Alveolar sacs.
- <mark>4.</mark> Alveoli.

