Anatomy & Physiology: Muscles—Buccinator.

STRUCTURE.

- Origin: alveolar process of maxilla and mandible; pterygomandibular raphe.
- Insertion: orbicularis oris.
- Deep to masseter and orbicularis oris.

FUNCTION.

- Concentric action: press cheeks against teeth and lips (whistling, glowing, sucking); draws corners of mouth laterally; aids chewing.
- Eccentric action:
- Isometric action:
- Innervation: facial VII nerve.
- Arterial supply: maxillary and facial arteries.
- "Buccinator the whistling sucking chew-inator".

CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE.

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