

Arm

- The arm is the region between the shoulder and the elbow.
- It contains a single bone, the **humerus**.
- The humerus provide attachments to some muscles of the shoulder which act on the elbow joint.

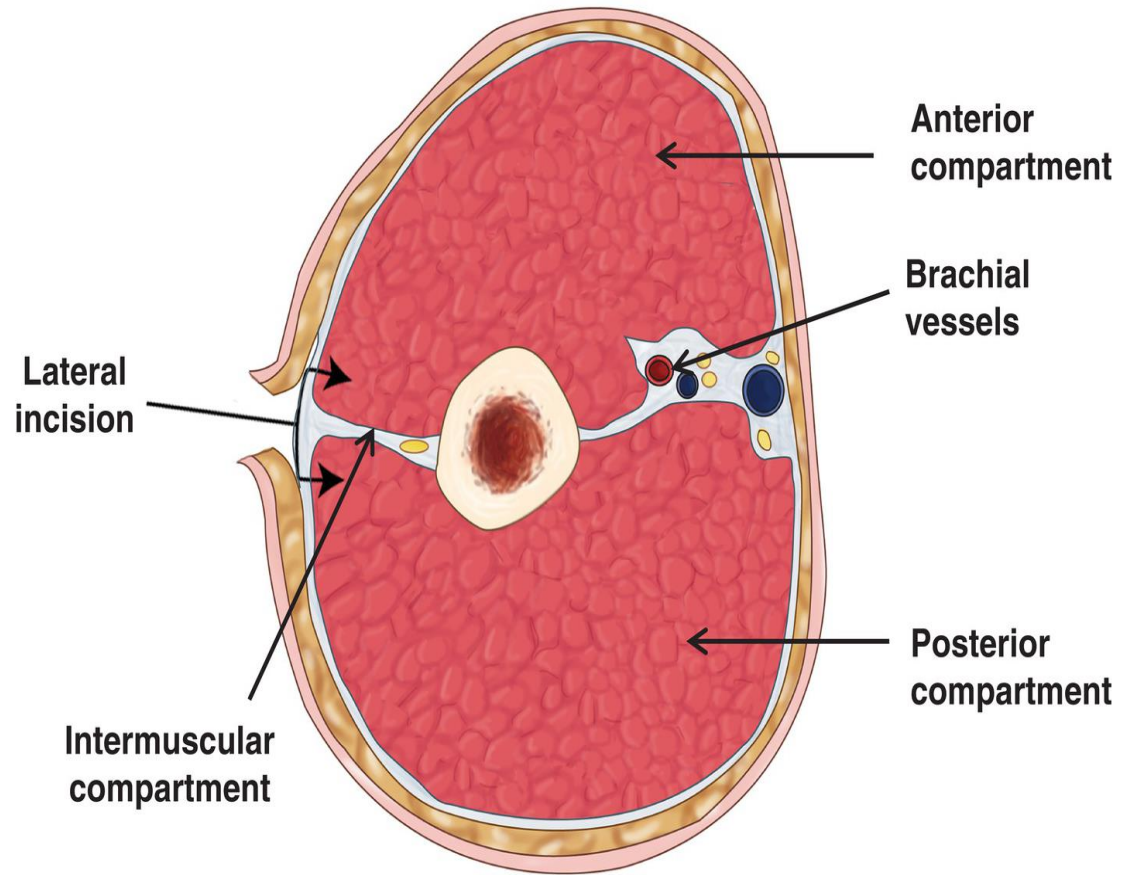
SURFACE LANDMARKS

- **Greater tubercle of the humerus**
- **Shaft of the humerus**
- **Medial epicondyle of the humerus**
- **Lateral epicondyle of the humerus**
- **Medial and lateral supracondylar ridges**
- **Deltoid**
- **Coracobrachialis**
- **Biceps muscle**

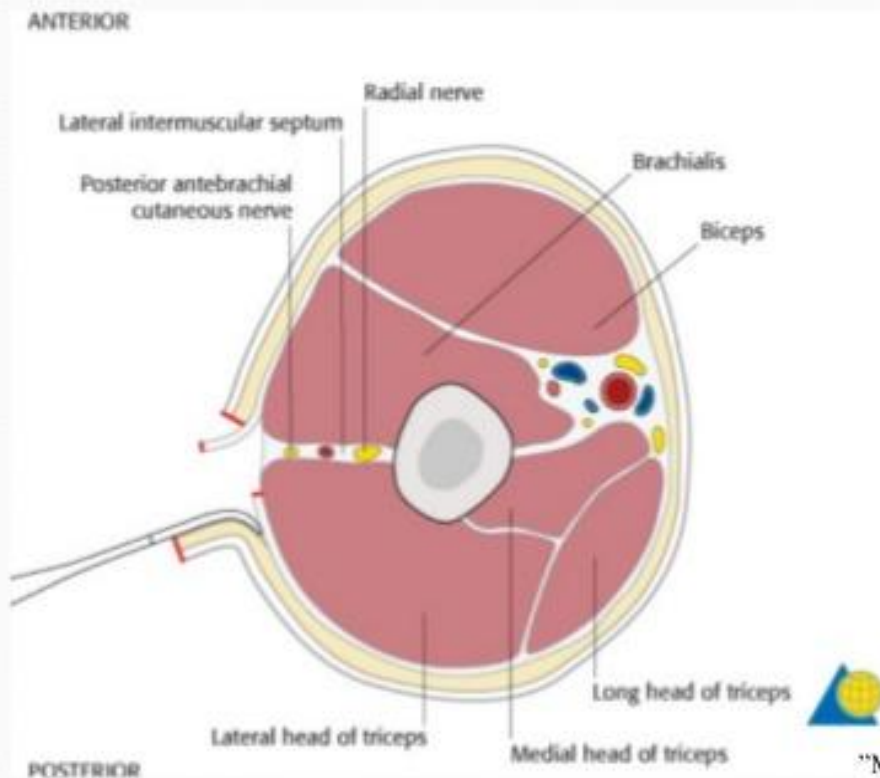
- **Brachial artery**
- **Ulnar nerve**
- **Superficial cubital vein**

❖ **The arm is subdivided clearly into 2 compartments (anterior and posterior) by extension of deep fascia which are called the medial and the lateral intermuscular septa**

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2 Compartments of arm



1. Anterior

1. Biceps, Brachialis
2. Musculocutaneous n.
3. Brachial a.

2. Posterior

1. Triceps
2. Radial n.

- The anterior compartment contains the flexors and is called the **flexor compartment of the arm**. The posterior compartment contains the extensor muscles and is called the **extensor compartment of the arm**.
- 2 intermuscular septa are given out from the deep surface of the brachial fascia and get attached to medial and lateral aspect of the humerus.

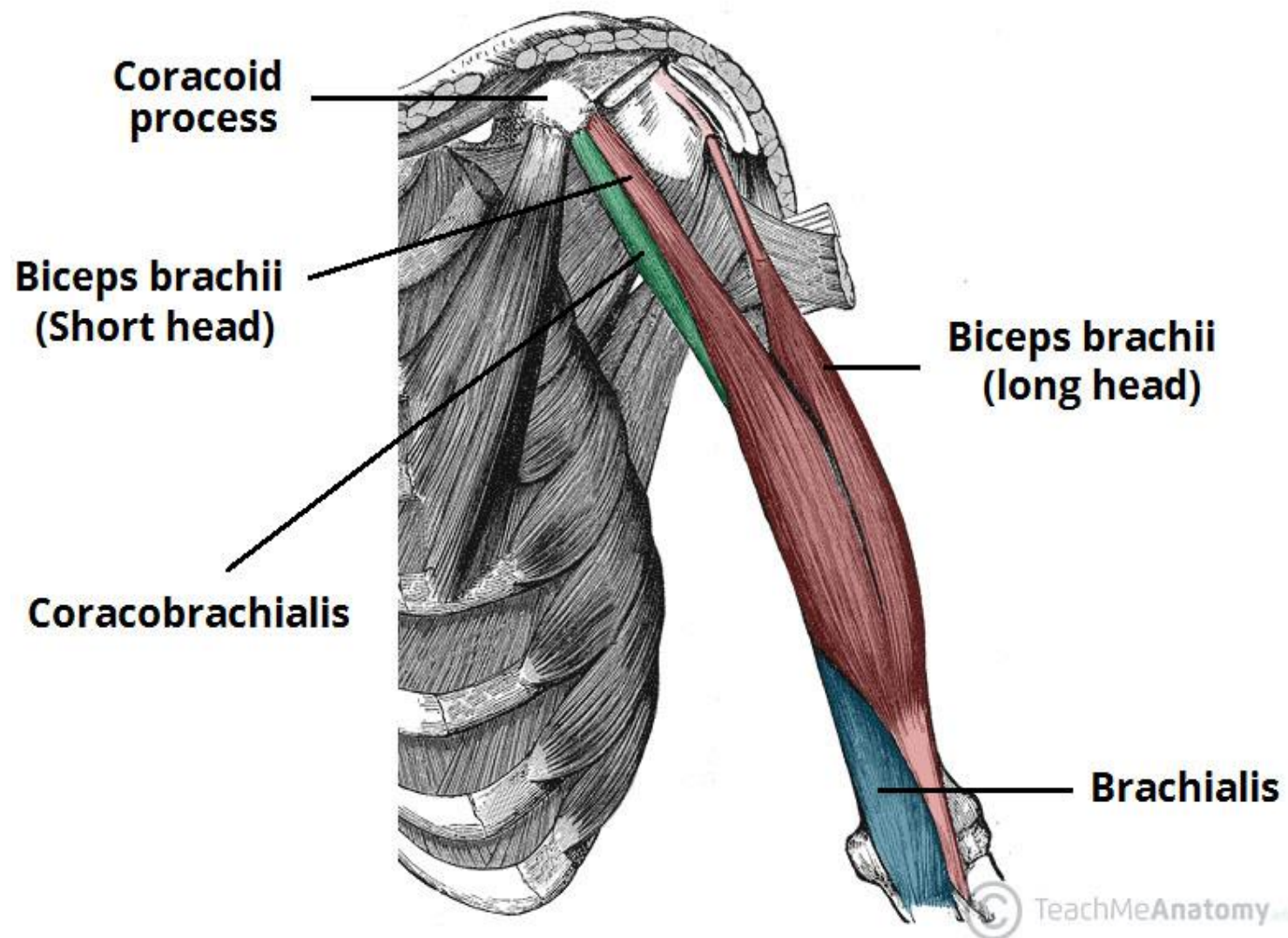
- **The medial intermuscular septum is thicker;**
- **Its humeral attachment, from above downwards, runs along the medial lip of the intertubercular sulcus, the medial supracondylar ridge and the medial epicondyle.**

➤ **The humeral attachment of the lateral intermuscular septum runs from the lateral lip of the intertubercular sulcus, the lateral supracondylar ridge and the lateral epicondyle.**

Anterior compartment of arm-

➤ **The anterior compartment of arm lies in front of the humerus**

➤ **The total 3 muscles of the arm, – coracobrachialis, biceps brachii and brachialis.**



Biceps brachii

➤ ORIGINE

LONG HEAD – Supraglenoid tubercle

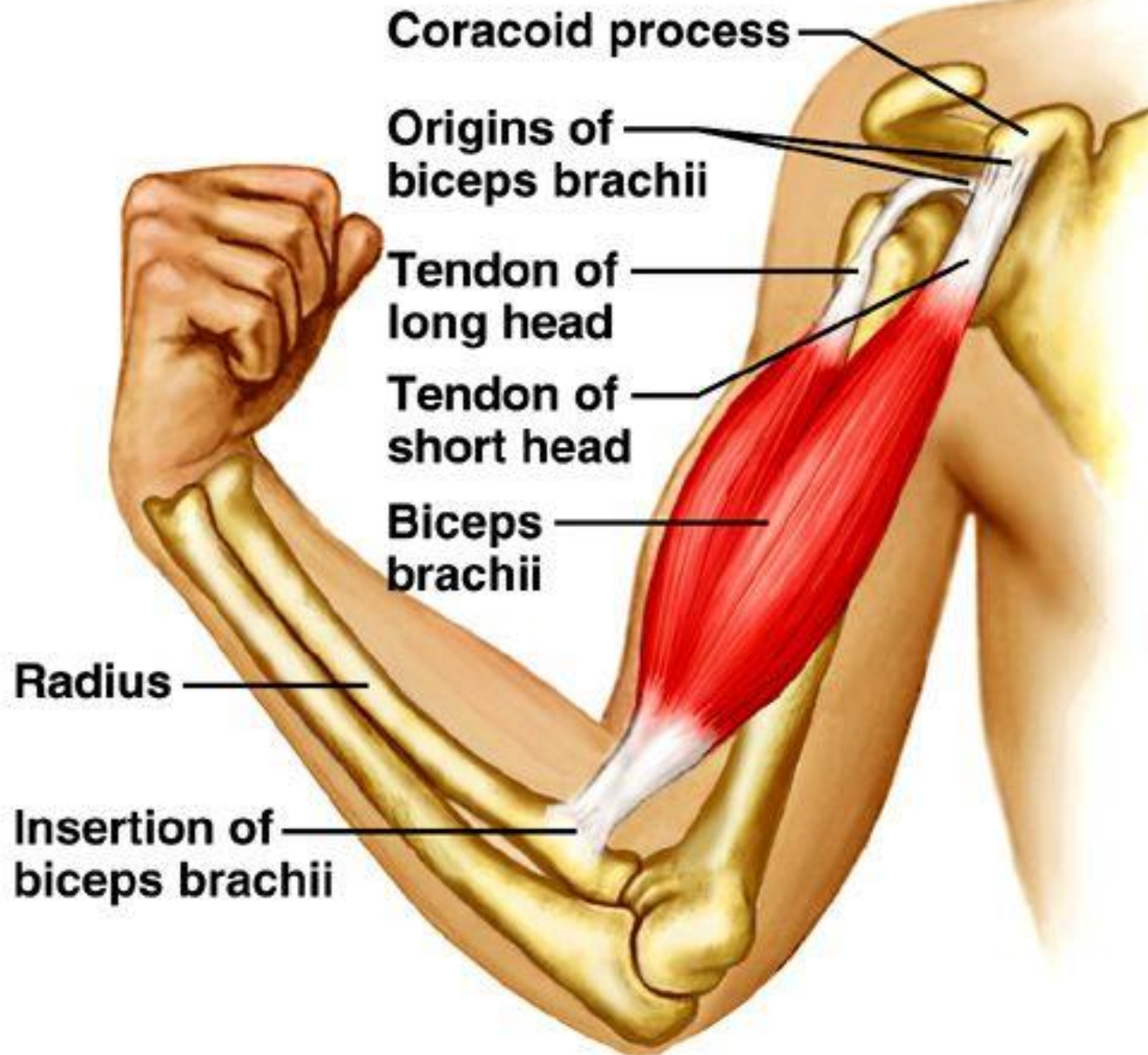
Short head- tip of coracoid process

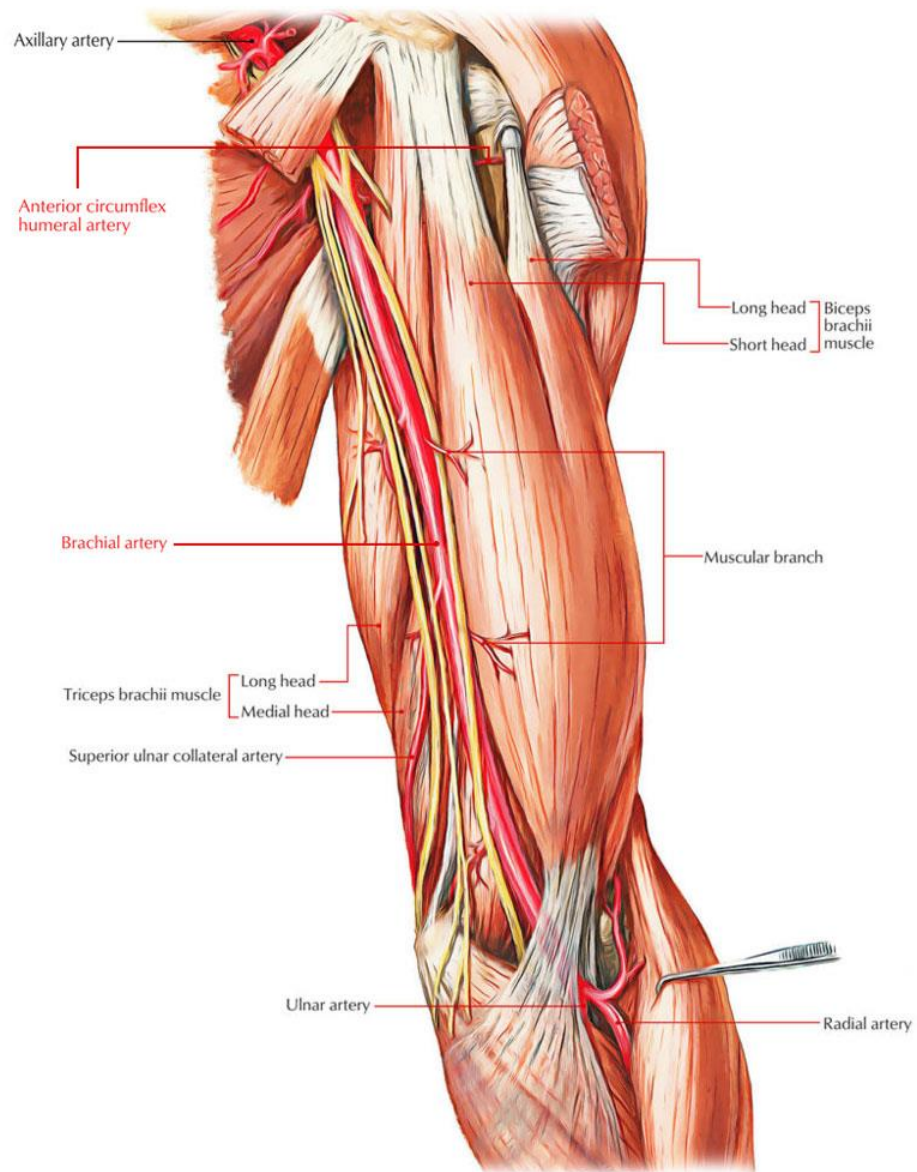
➤ **INSERTION – Tuberosity of radius**

➤ **Nerve supply- musculocutaneous nerve(c5, c6)**

➤ **Action-**

- 1. flexion of arm at shoulder joint(short head)**
- 2. Long head keeps head of humerus in place during movements of the arm.**
- 3. Flexion of forearm (at elbow)**
- 4. Supination of forearm)**





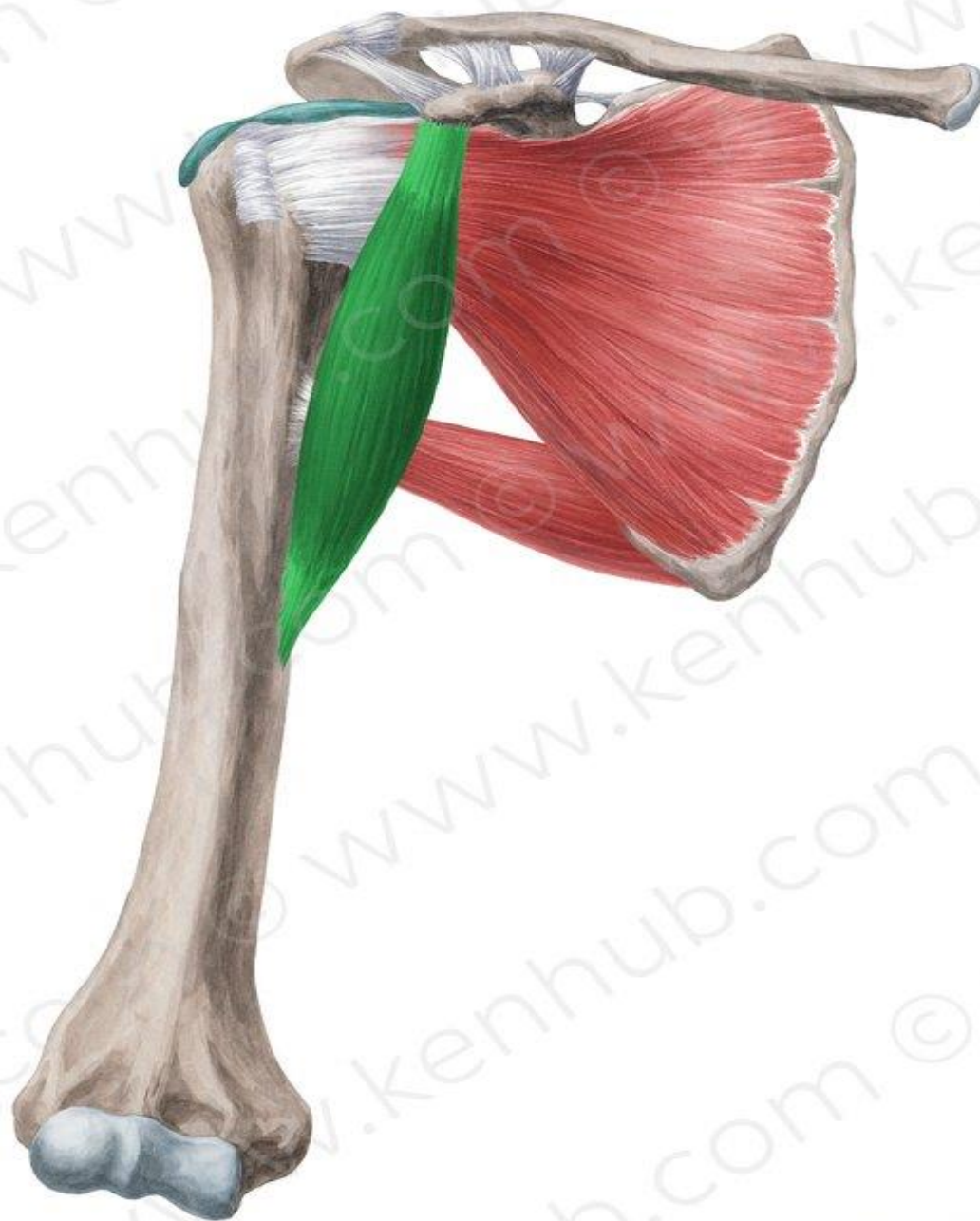
Coracobrachialis

Origin- Tip of coracoid process

Insertion – Medial border of humerus
(middle of shaft)

Nerve supply- Musculocutaneous nerve

Action – Flexion of arm



Brachialis

Origin-

Lower half of humerus anterior medial and anterolateral Surface

Insertion-

Anterior surface of coronoid process

Nerve supply-

Musculocutaneous nerve(C5,6)

Radial nerve(C7)

Action-

Flexor of forearm at elbow joint

Brachialis



POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT OF ARM

Triceps brachii muscle

Origin

Long head- Infraglenoid tubercle

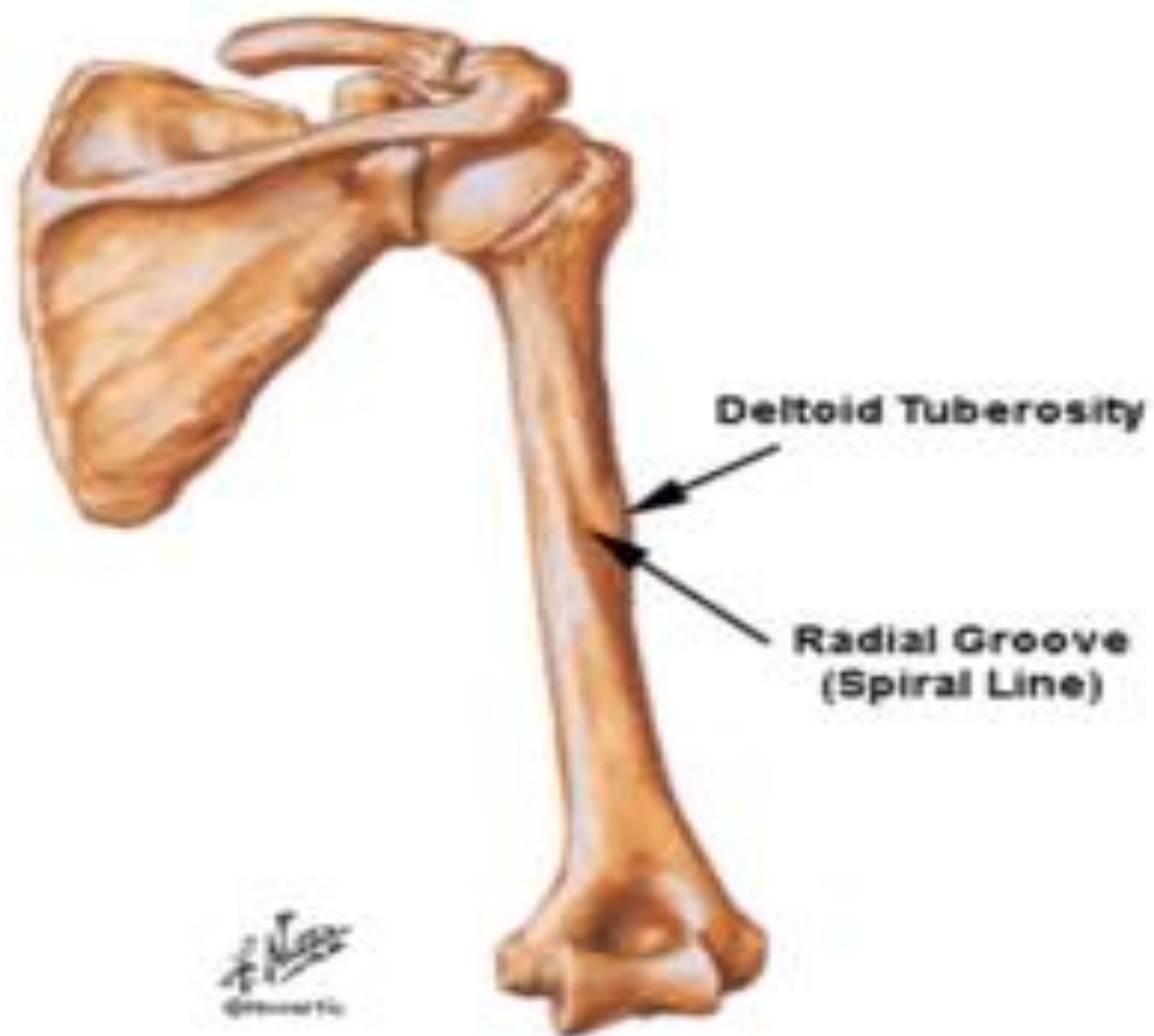
Lateral head- above the radial groove

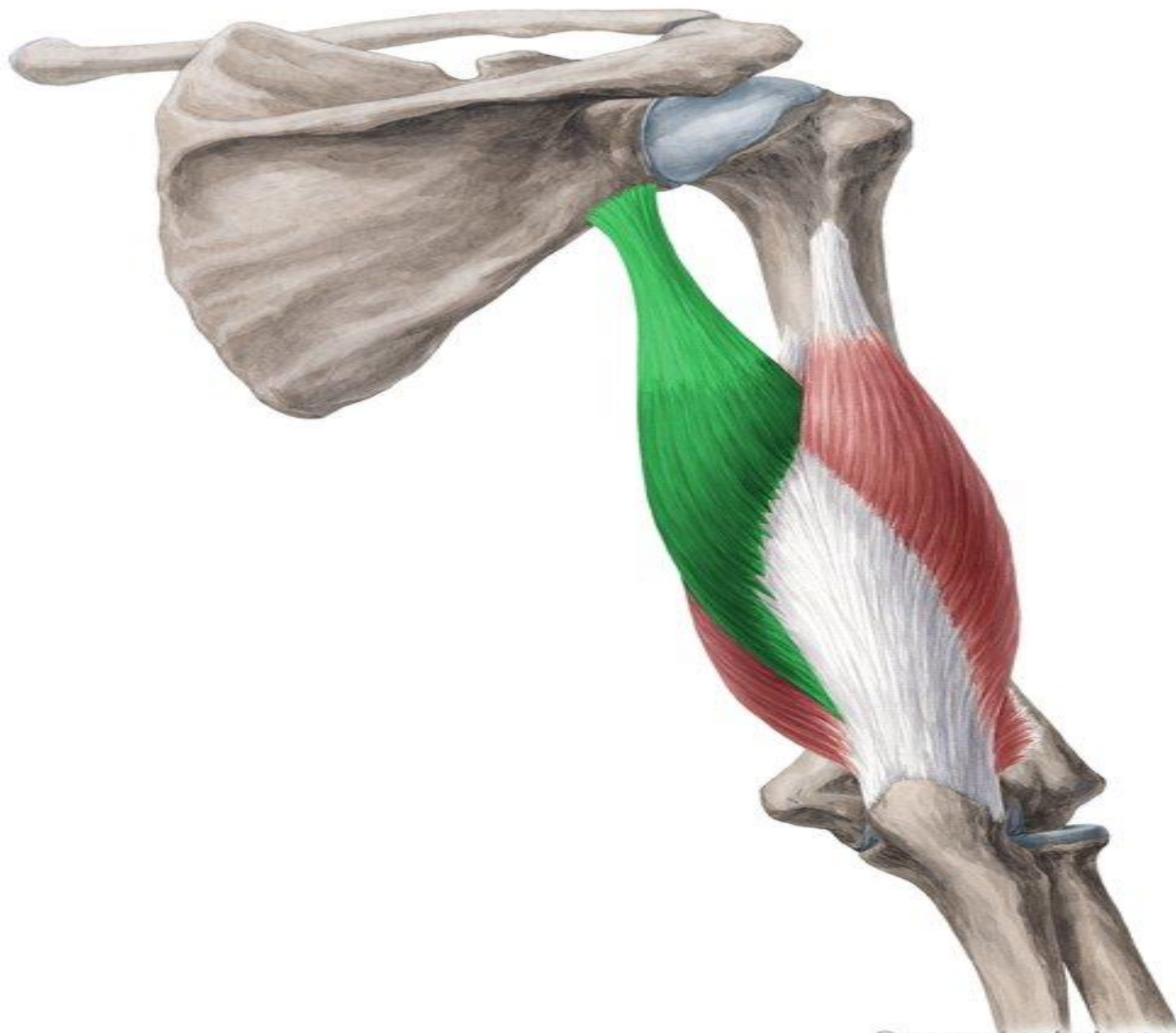
Medial head- below the radial groove

Insertion- superior surface of olecranon process

N.S.- radial nerve(c7,c8).

Action- powerful active extensor of the elbow.







Fasciae of the arm-

1. Superficial fascia

2. Deep fascia of the arm is called the brachial fascia.

It forms a continuous sleeve around the muscles and deeper contents of the arm.