

The transverse processes of the lumbar vertebrae are long and thin postero-lateral projections that arise from the pediculo-laminar junction. Each transverse process has a vertical ridge on the anterior surface, near the apex, to which the anterior layer of the thoracolumbar fascia attaches. **Psoas major** attaches medially and quadratus lumborum attaches laterally. The middle layer of the thoracolumbar fascia attaches to the apex and longissimus thoracis and rotatores lumborum attach to the posterior surface, inferiorly and superiorly, respectively. Further, the lateral intertransversarii muscles and **ligaments** attach to the superior and inferior borders.