

Proximal Attachment

Splenius cervicis arises from the spinous processes of T3 to T6.

Distal Attachment

The muscle ascends, immediately anterior to levator scapulae, to attach to the posterior tubercles of the transverse processes of C1 to C3.

Splenius cervicis varies in its vertebral attachments, with accessory slips also occurring. Rarely, the muscle may be absent.