

The third lumbar dorsal spinal rami pass posteriorly, medial to the medial intertransversarii muscles and divide into medial and lateral branches. The lateral branches pass medial to the intertransversarii muscles and at the lateral borders of the erector spinae muscles give off cutaneous branches, which pierce latissimus dorsi, crossing the ilium posteriorly to supply a strip of skin in each gluteal region.

Supply

The lateral branches supply the erector spinae muscles and a strip of skin in each gluteal region.