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Stylopharyngeus Muscle

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A long, thin pharyngeal muscle, which originates on the styloid process with some fibers attaching to the constrictors and the lateral glossoepiglottic fold, while others attach to the thyroid cartilage; it functions to elevate the pharynx and larynx.