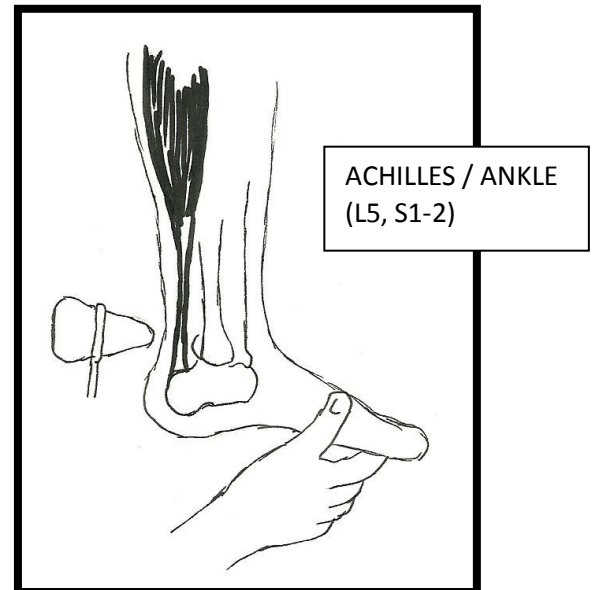
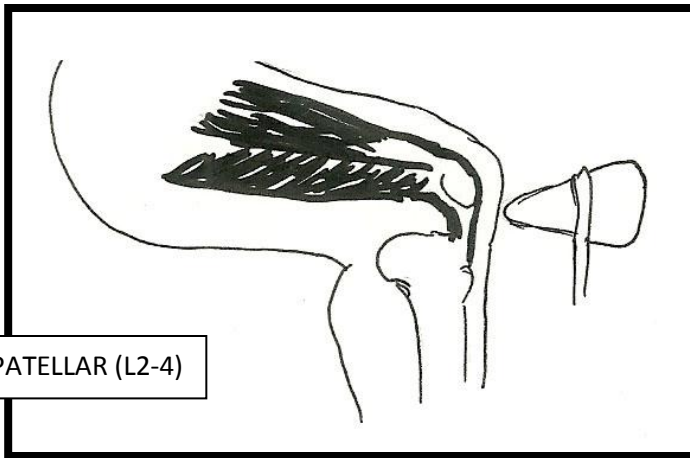
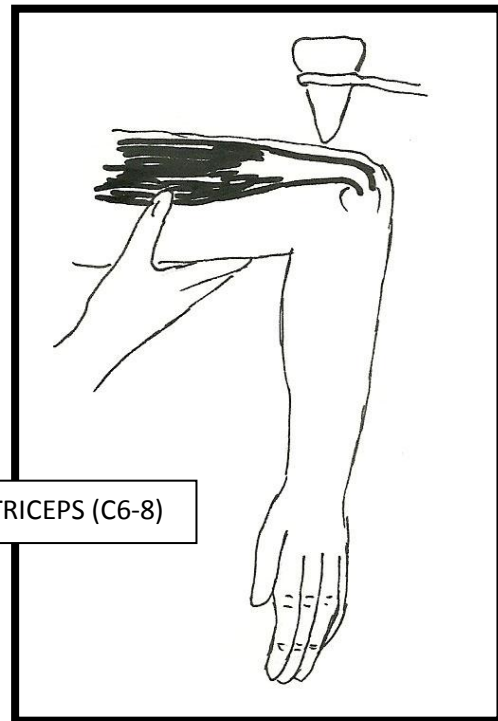
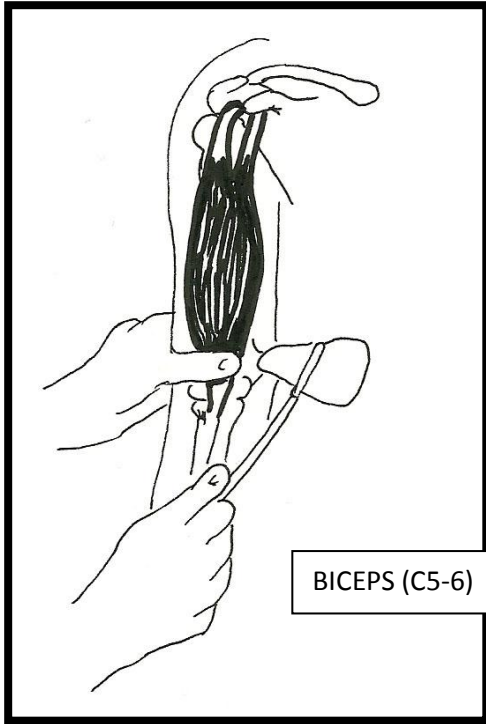


Deep Tendon Reflexes



Scale
for rating intensity of muscle response

- 0-no response
- 1-low normal, response slightly diminished
- 2-average
- 3-response brisker than normal, MIGHT indicate disease
- 4-very brisk response even from a slight stimulus
clonus often present
(clonus = series of involuntary contractions & relaxations)
OFTEN indicates disease

Tips for increasing the response:

IN ARMS

have "patient" clench teeth AND
squeeze thigh with unused hand

IN LEGS:

have "patient" clench teeth AND
lock fingers together and try pulling apart