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trunk and is innervated by the second spinal nerve, corresponding to the region which it occupies.

I can, by my own neck, use the platysma voluntarily and I fancy most people can do so.

Sincerely yours,
Alex Maclester