

# mediastinum *(me-di-as-ti-num)*

## Definition

n. the part of the thoracic cavity between the lungs that contains the heart and aorta and esophagus and trachea and thymus

## Example Sentence

The **mediastinum** lies between the right and left pleura.

## Synonyms

thoracic cavity; space in the chest; part of the body that contains the heart

## Antonyms

heel

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