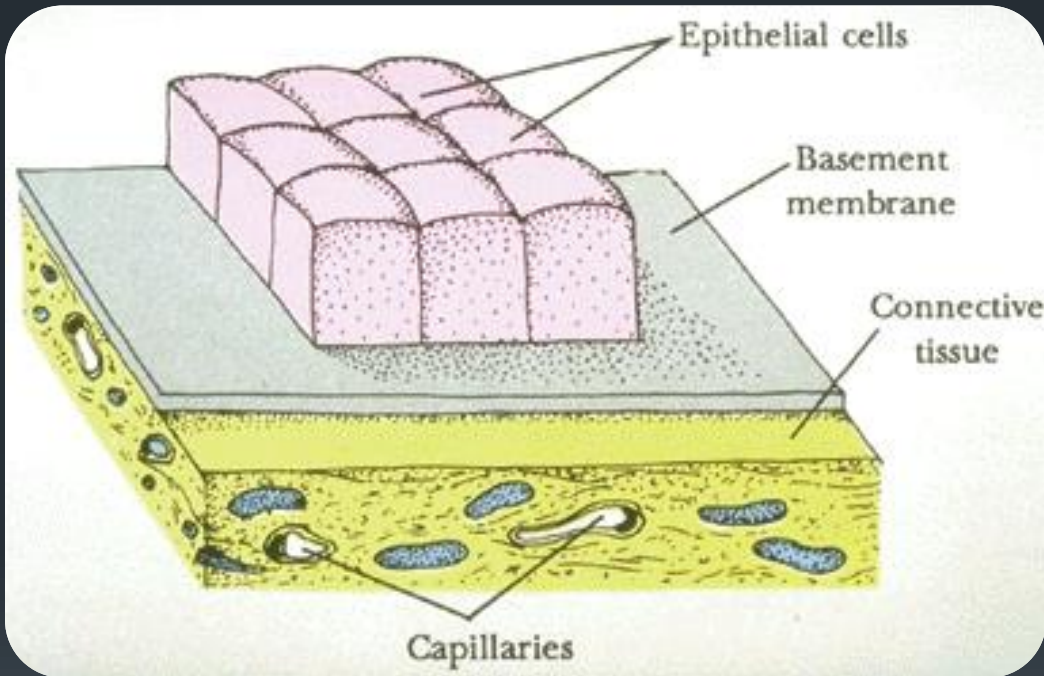
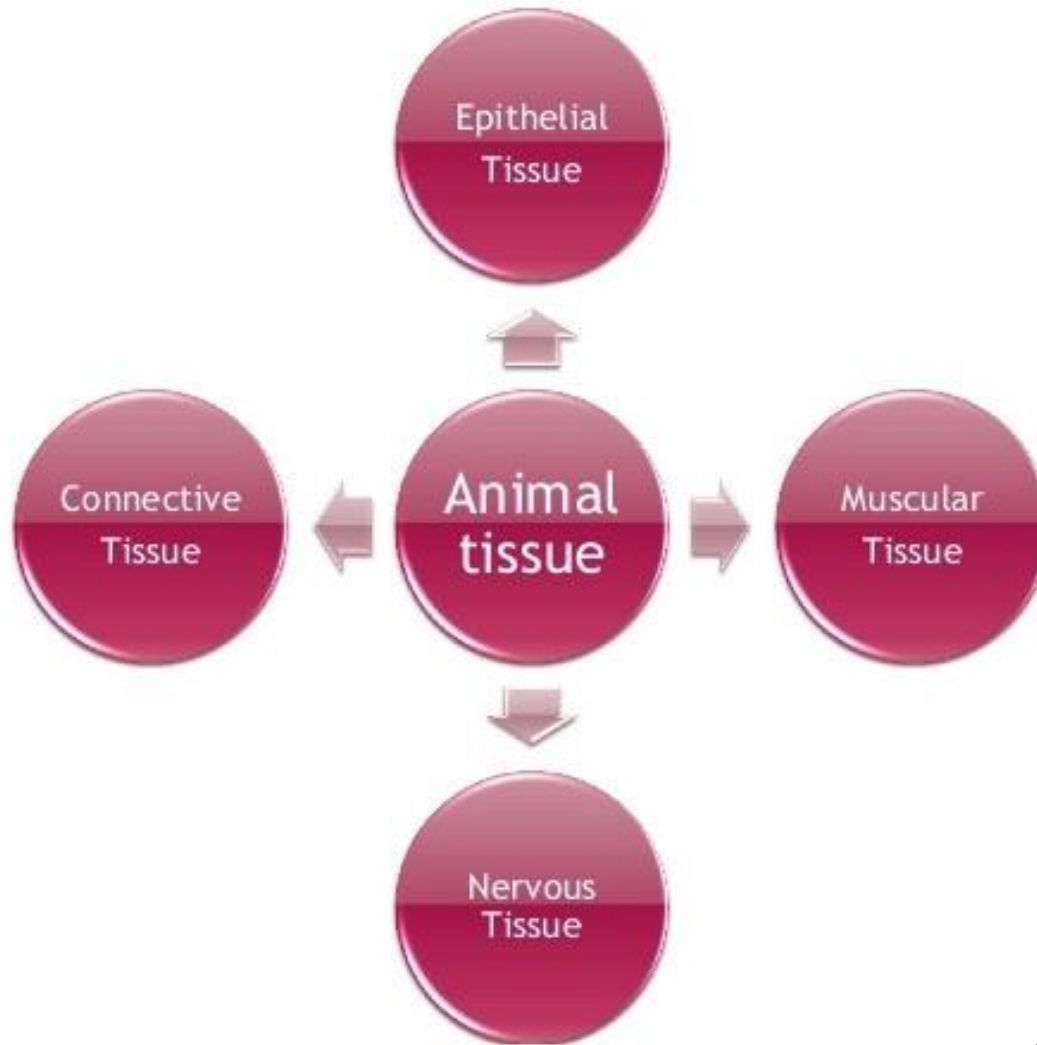


Epithelial tissue



Capillaries



What are epithelia?

A. simple definition - "a layer of cells with a free surface"

B. better definition - single or multiple layers of cells characterized by,

1. a layer or layers composed of closely aggregated, polyhedral cells
2. one side of cell layer(s) has a free surface
3. little intercellular substance between cells
4. cells cohere (stick) strongly to each other
5. cells form a sheet that covers a surface

In embryonic terms we can say that epithelia are derived from all 3 major germ layers, i.e. ectoderm, mesoderm, endoderm.



Functions of Epithelia

A. Covering and lining surfaces (a barrier) and Protection

Examples:

- a. skin
- b. epithelial cells (endothelium) lining blood vessels,
- c. mesothelium of peritoneal cavity (coelom)

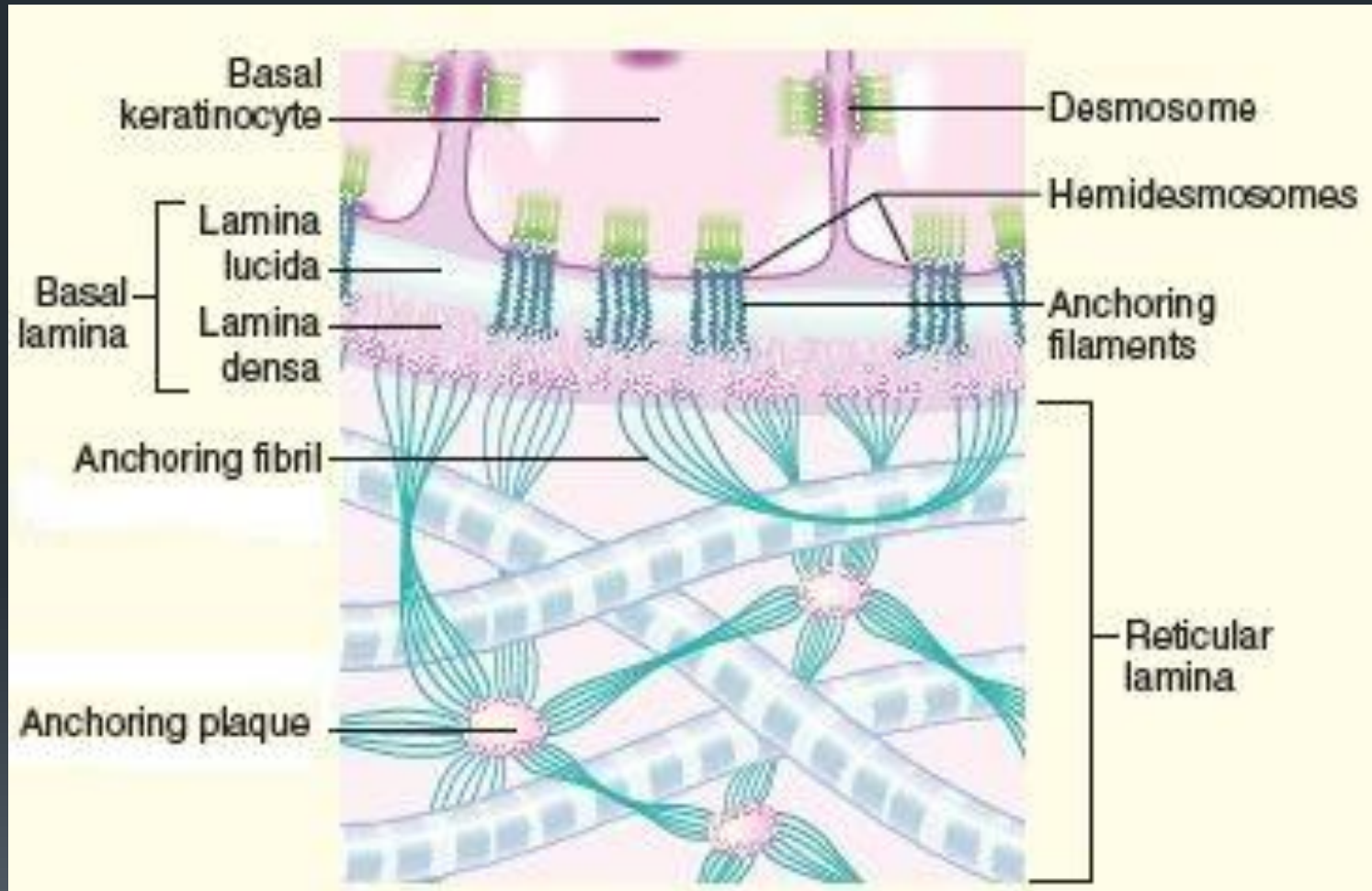
Functions of epithelia

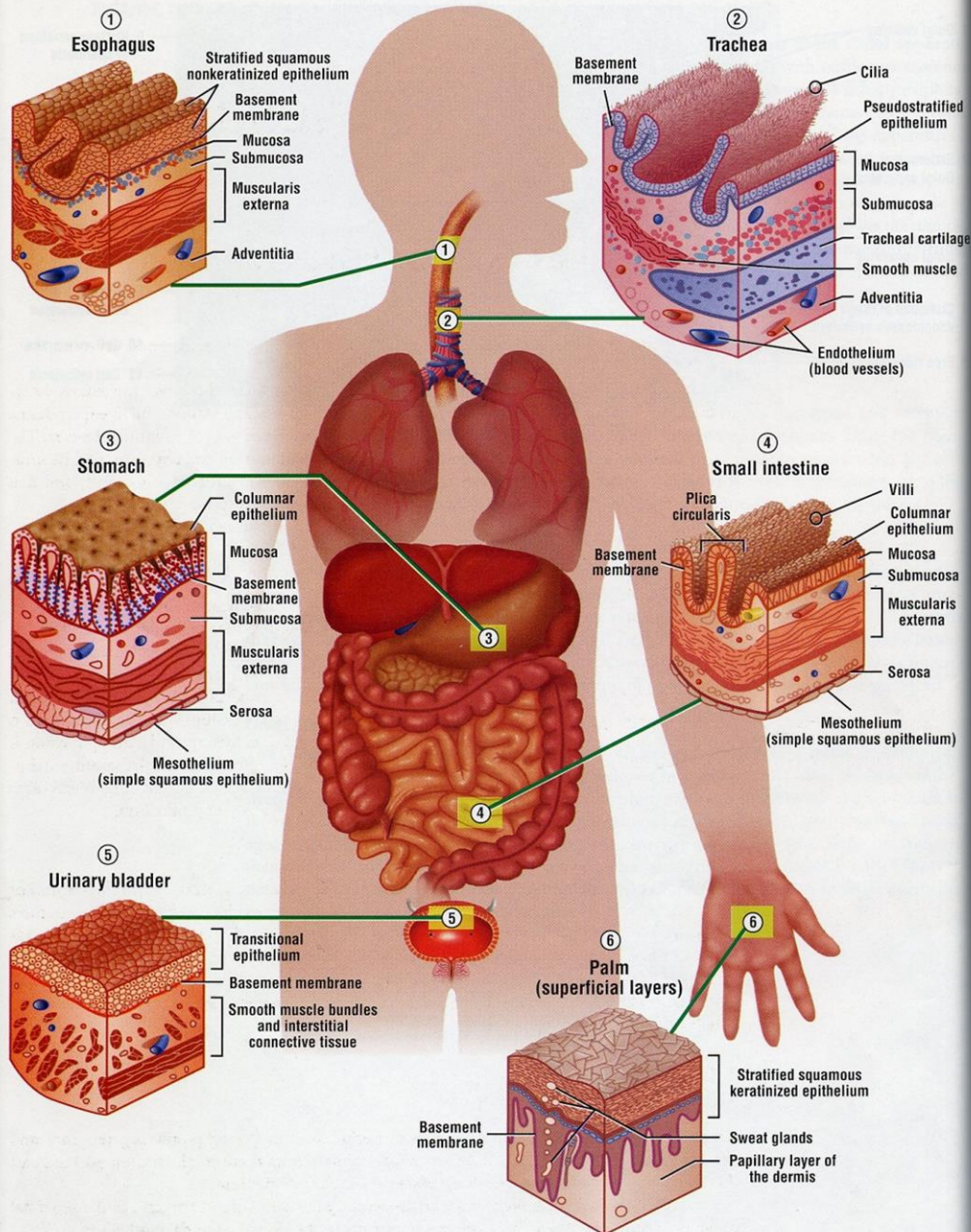
B. Regulation of materials and sensory information passing between, into, or out of organs/tissues

1. absorption (e.g. tall columnar epithelium of intestine)
2. secretion (e.g. epithelial lining of glands)
3. sensation (e.g. sensory cells, neuroepithelium - taste buds)
4. lubrication (e.g. mucus secreting epithelium of digestive tract)

C. In some cases contractility (e.g. myoepithelium - often associated with glands such as sweat and mammary glands)

Basement Membrane





OVERVIEW FIGURE ■ Different types of epithelia in selected organs.

Classification of Epithelia

Epithelia mainly classified into 2 sorts:

Covering epithelia : Cells arranged like membrane

Localization: covering the outer surface of the body and the inner surface of the cavities ,Sacs or ducts within the body.

Function: Protection.

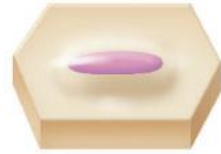
Glandular epithelia : Function- Secretion

Covering epithelia

Principles of the classification:

Shape of the cells: Squamous epithelia
Cuboidal epithelia
Columnar epithelia

Layers of the cells: simple epithelia
stratified epithelia



Squamous



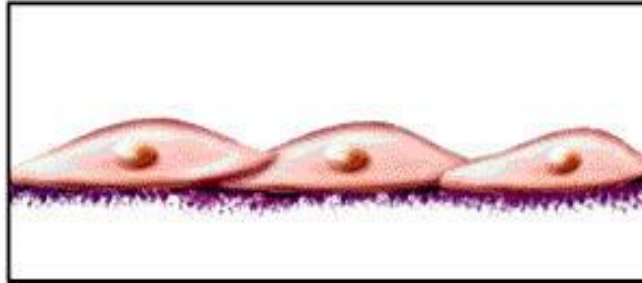
Cuboidal



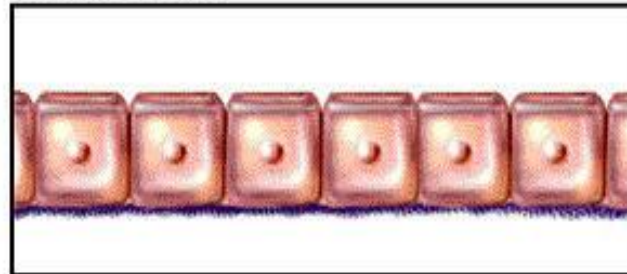
Columnar

Classification based on cell shape.

Squamous

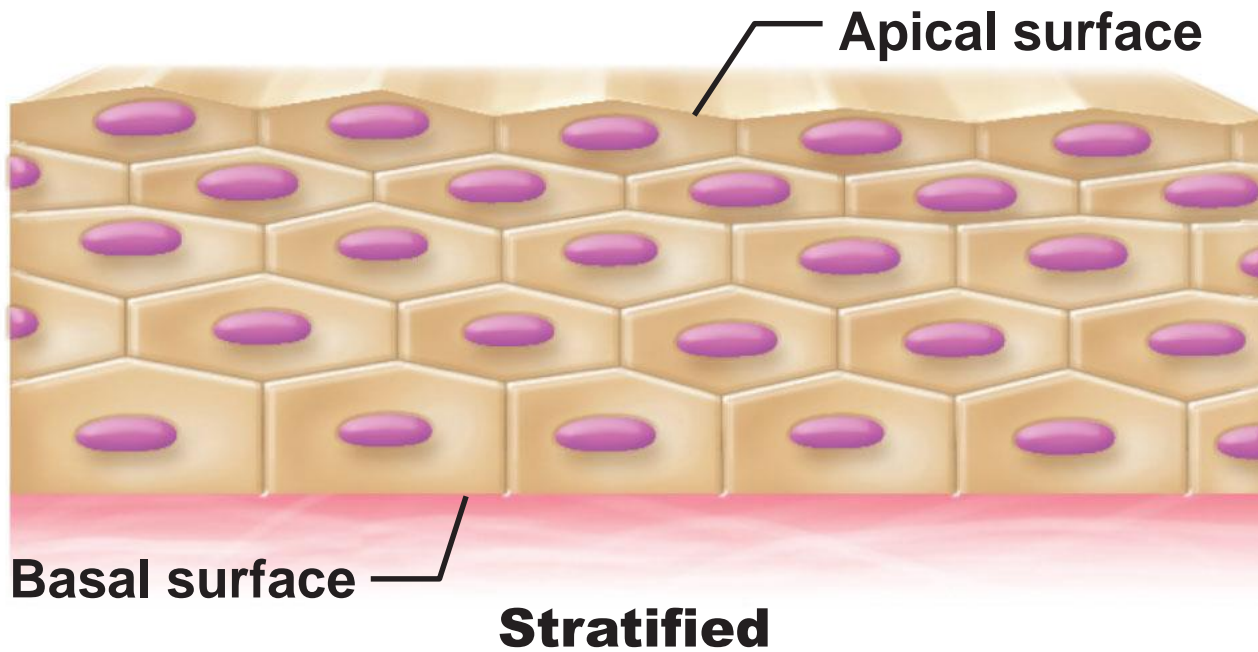
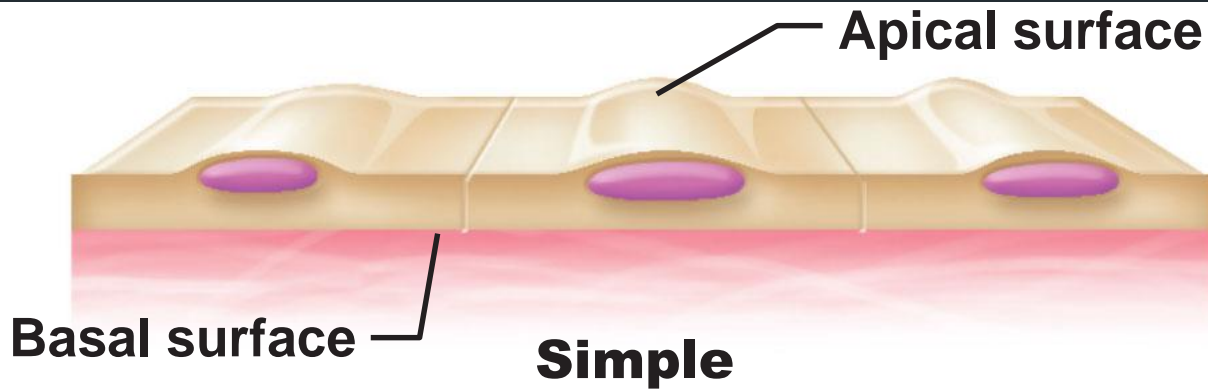


Cuboidal

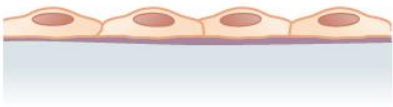
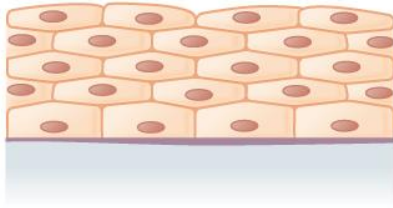

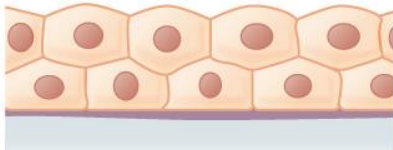

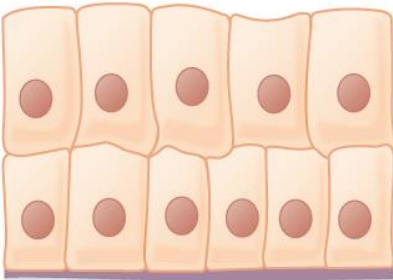
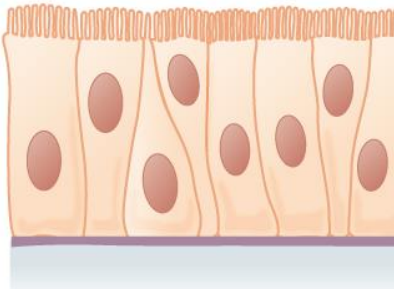


Columnar





Classification based on number of cell layers.

	Simple	Stratified	
Squamous	 <p>Simple squamous epithelium</p>	 <p>Stratified squamous epithelium</p>	
Cuboidal	 <p>Simple cuboidal epithelium</p>	 <p>Stratified cuboidal epithelium</p>	
Columnar	 <p>Simple columnar epithelium</p>	 <p>Stratified columnar epithelium</p>	Pseudostratified
			 <p>Pseudostratified columnar epithelium</p>

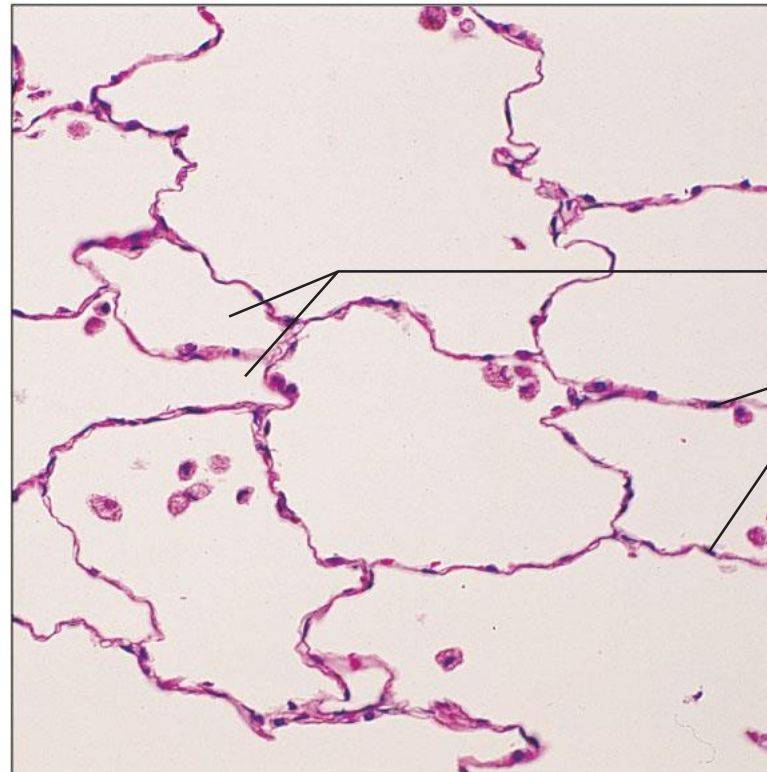
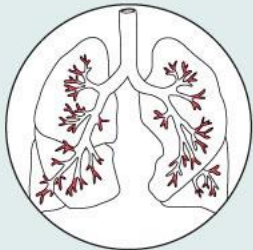
Simple squamous epithelium

Description: Single layer of flattened cells with disc-shaped central nuclei and sparse cytoplasm; the simplest of the epithelia.



Function: Allows passage of materials by diffusion and filtration in sites where protection is not important; secretes lubricating substances in serosae.

Location: Kidney glomeruli; air sacs of lungs; lining of heart, blood vessels, and lymphatic vessels; lining of ventral body cavity (serosae).



Air sacs of lung tissue

Nuclei of squamous epithelial cells

Photomicrograph: Simple squamous epithelium forming part of the alveolar (air sac) walls (125x).

Localization

Simple

squamous

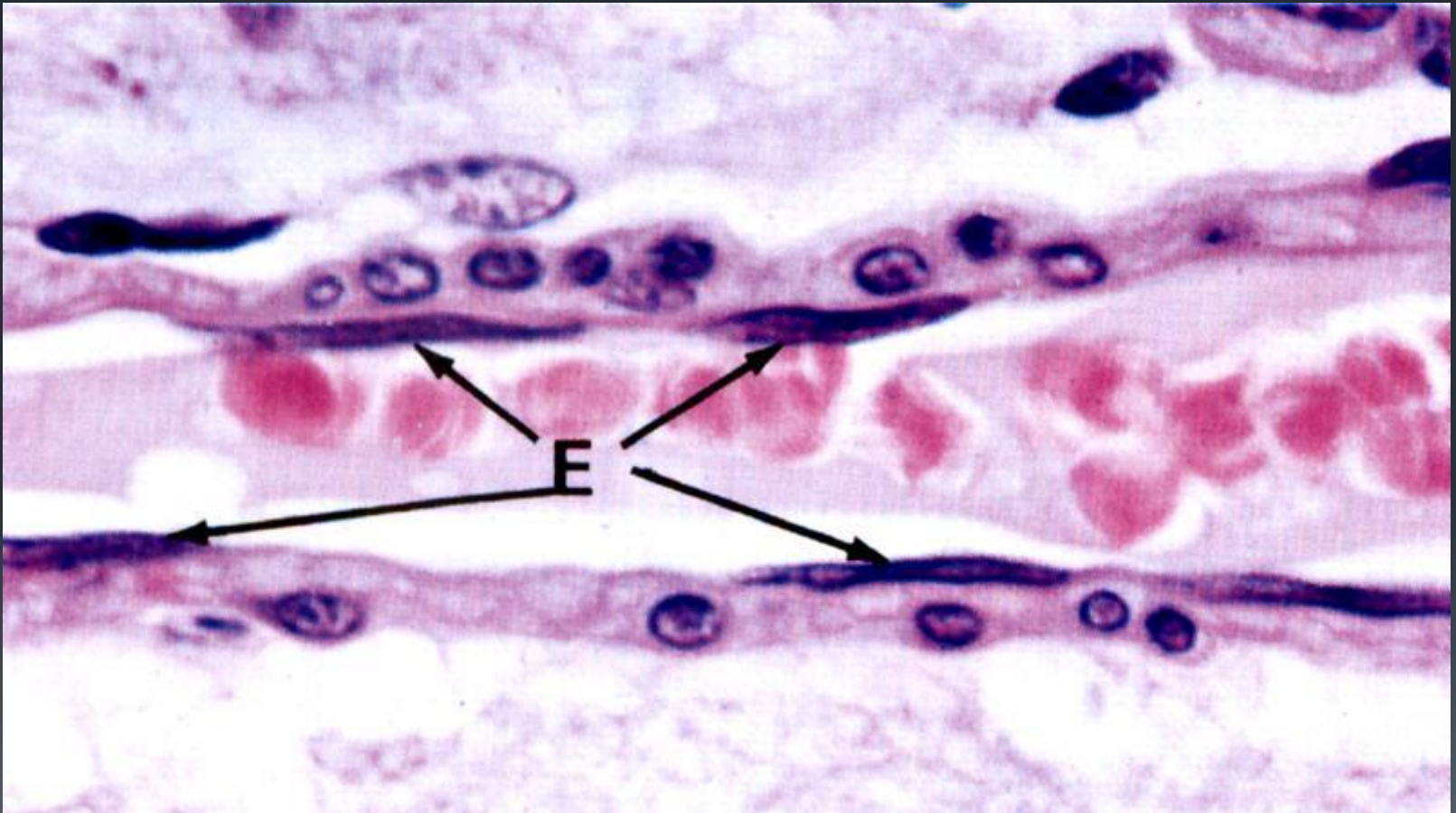
epithelia

endothelium : heart, blood vessels
lymphatics

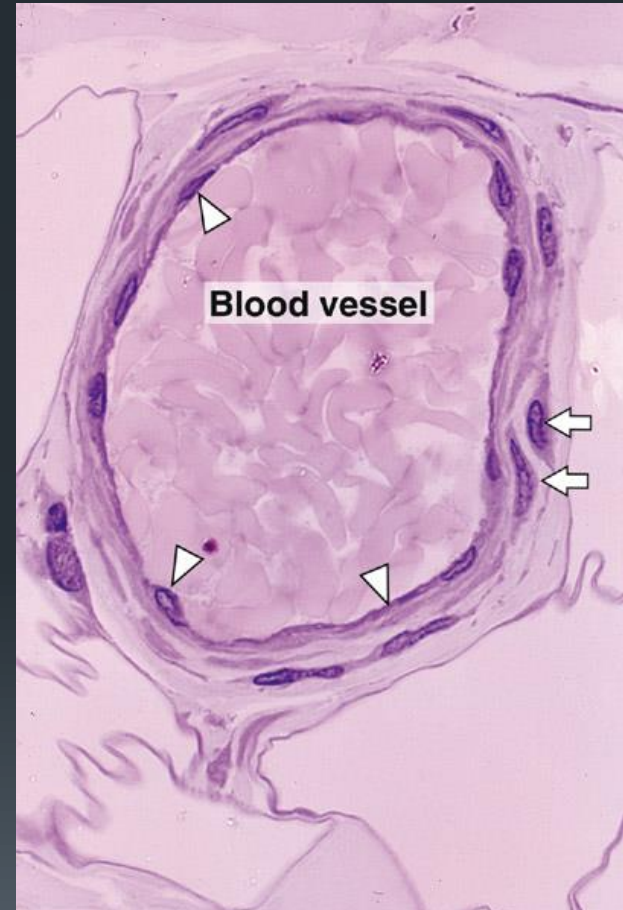
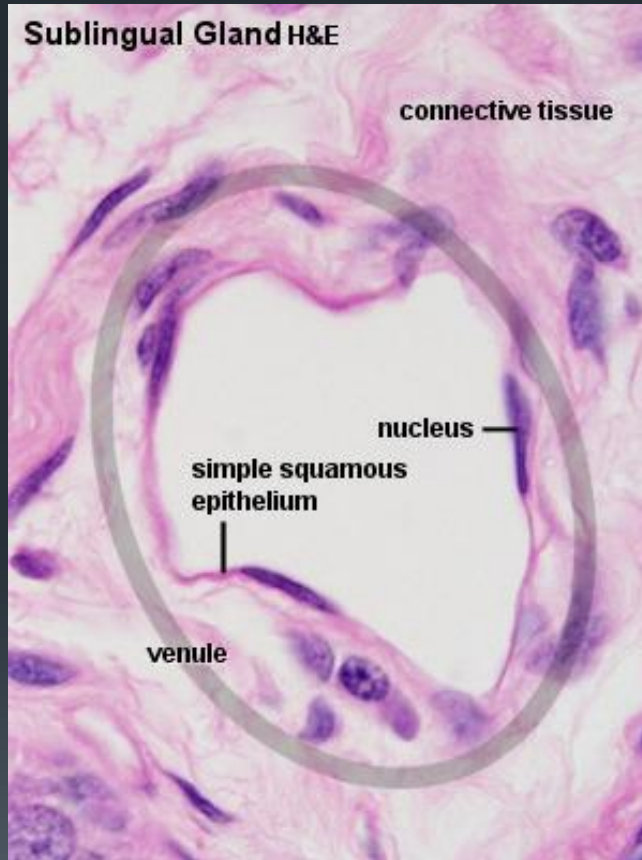
mesothelium : Pericardium, pleura
peritoneum

others : alveoli of the lungs, glomeruli
in the kidney, etc

Endothelium

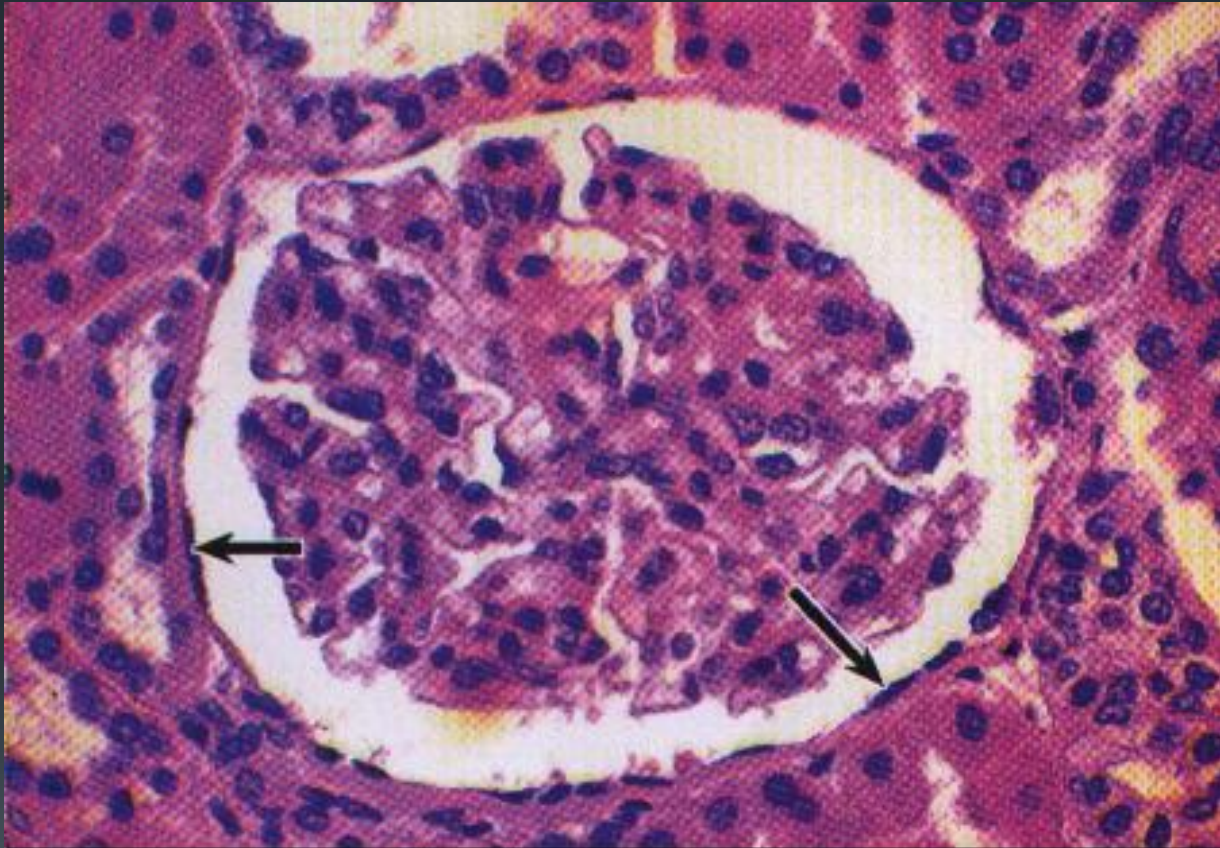


Endothelium



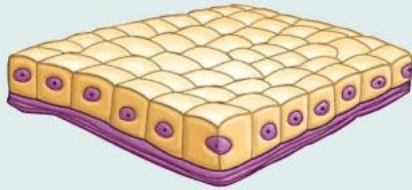
Mesothelium





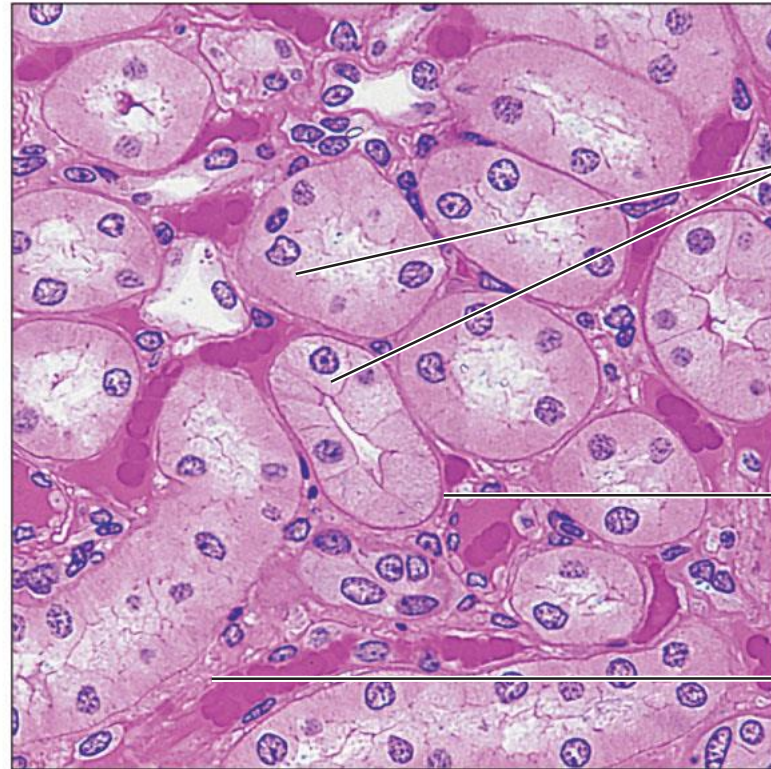
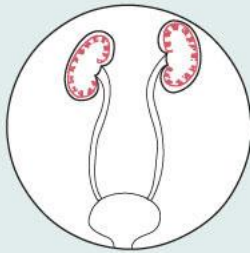
Simple cuboidal epithelium

Description: Single layer of cubelike cells with large, spherical central nuclei.



Function: Secretion and absorption.

Location: Kidney tubules; ducts and secretory portions of small glands; ovary surface.

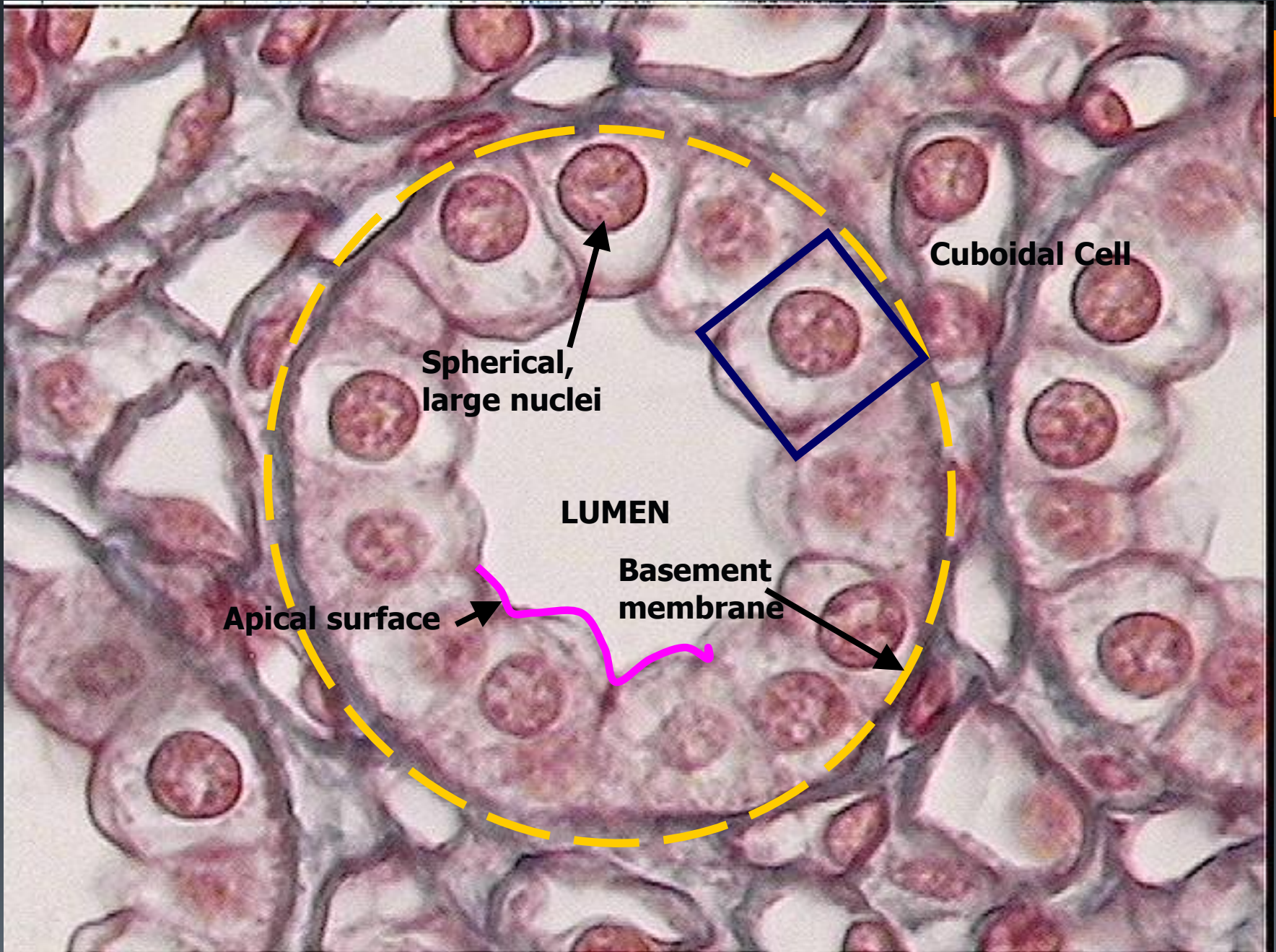


Simple cuboidal epithelial cells

Basement membrane

Connective tissue

Photomicrograph: Simple cuboidal epithelium in kidney tubules (430x).



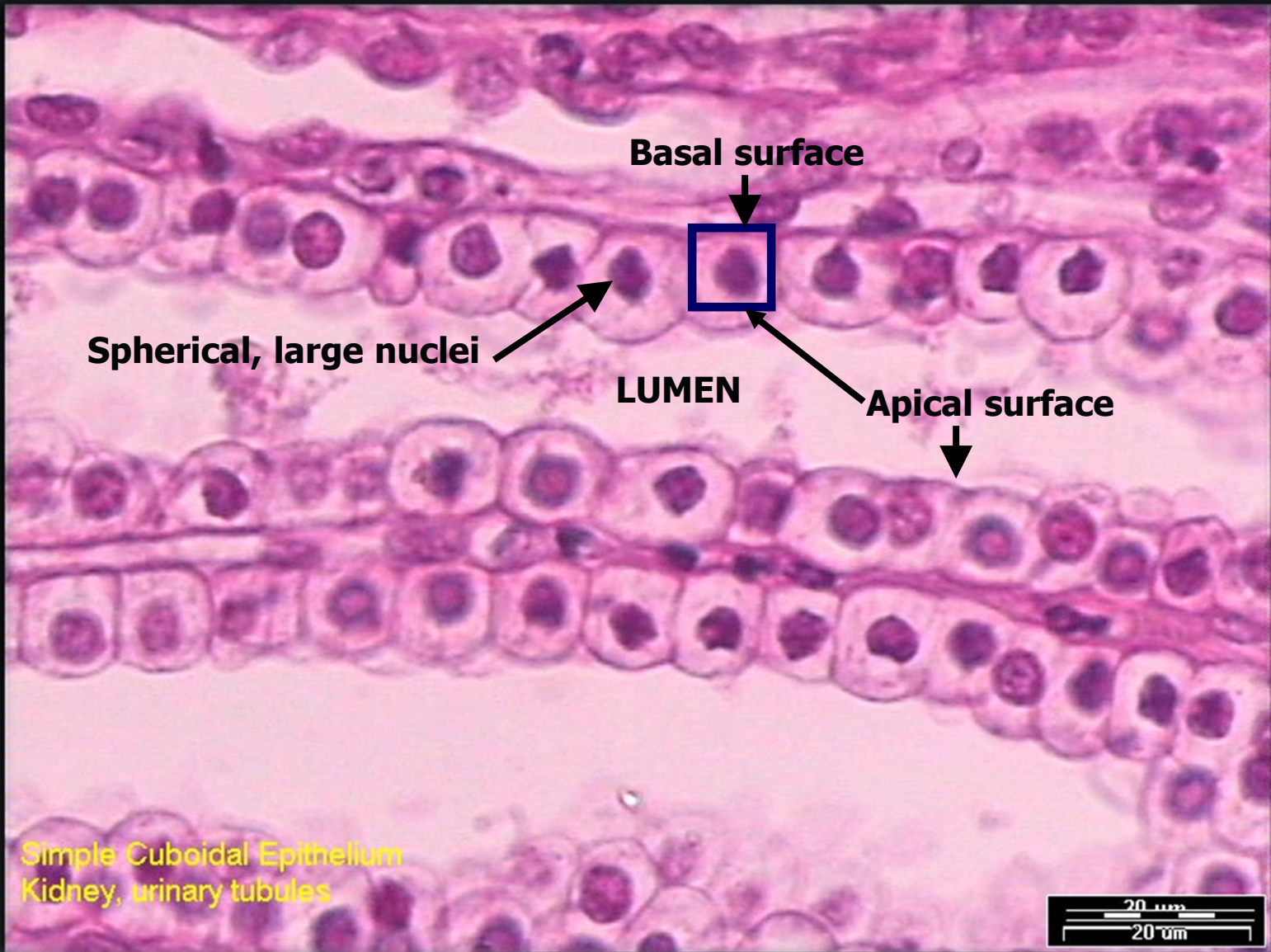
Cuboidal Cell

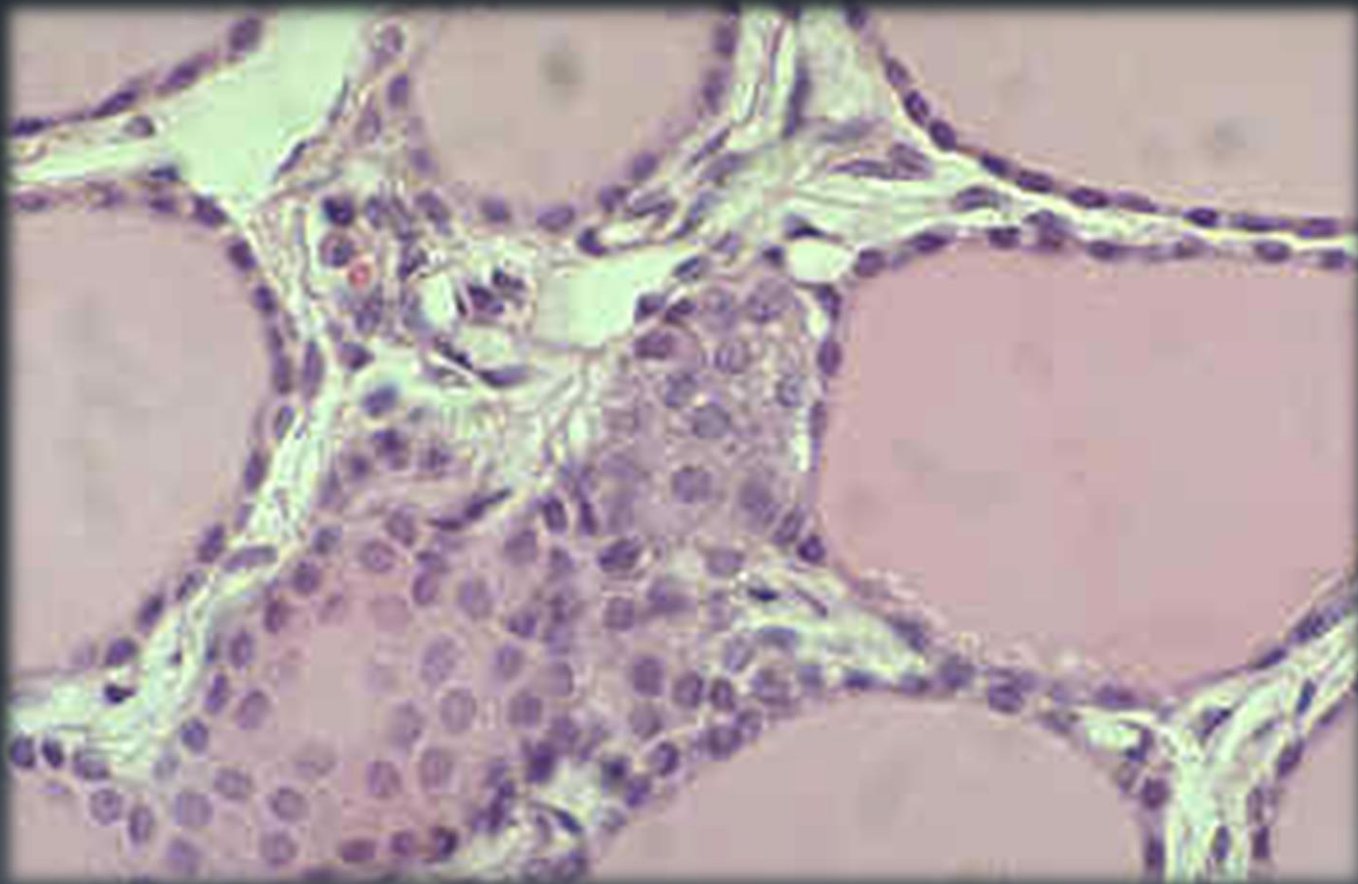
**Spherical,
large nuclei**

LUMEN

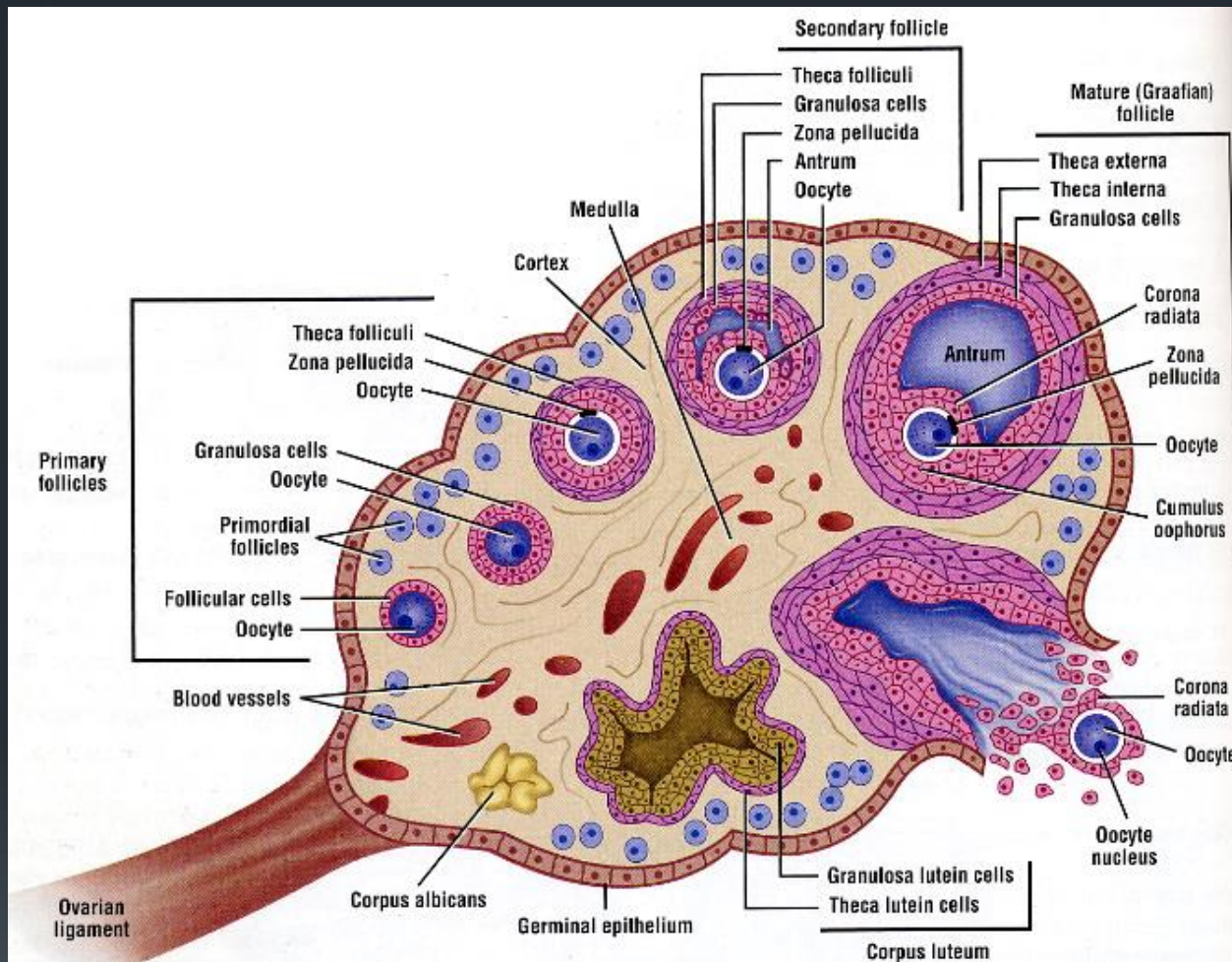
**Basement
membrane**

Apical surface





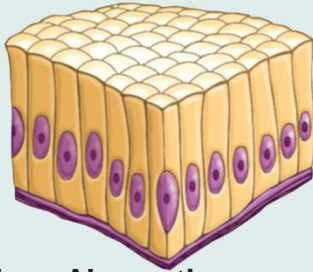
Thyroid gland



Ovary

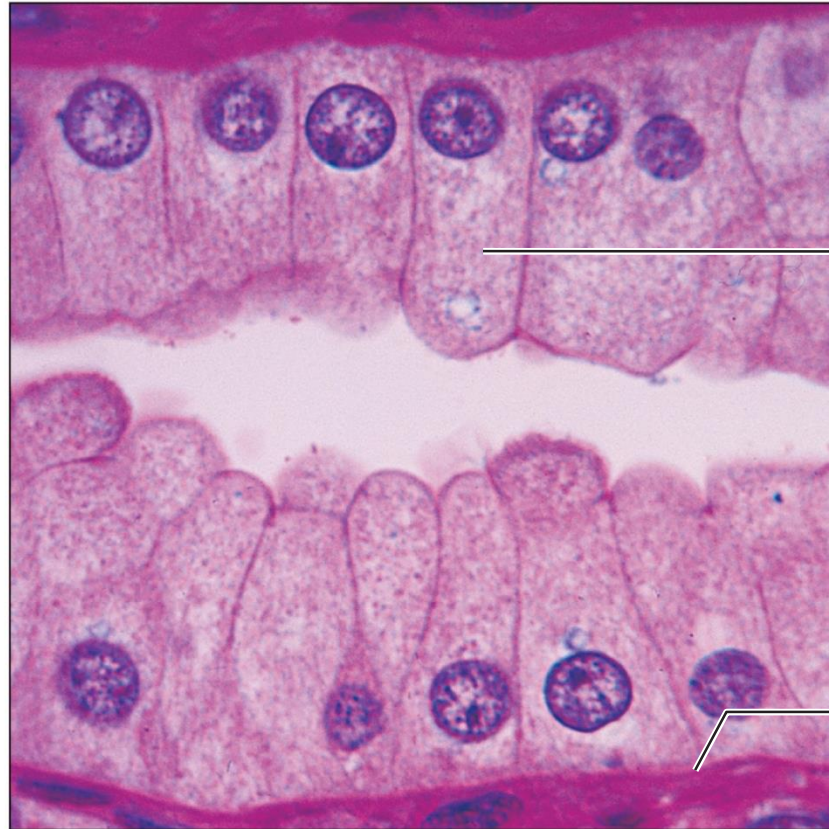
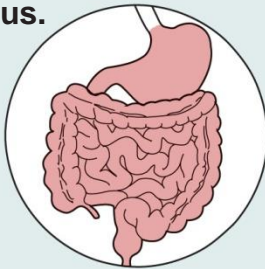
Simple columnar epithelium

Description: Single layer of tall cells with *round to oval* nuclei; some cells bear cilia; layer may contain mucus-secreting unicellular glands (goblet cells).



Function: Absorption; secretion of mucus, enzymes, and other substances; ciliated type propels mucus (or reproductive cells) by ciliary action.

Location: Nonciliated type lines most of the digestive tract (stomach to anal canal), gallbladder, and excretory ducts of some glands; ciliated variety lines small bronchi, uterine tubes, and some regions of the uterus.



Photomicrograph: Simple columnar epithelium of the stomach mucosa (860X).

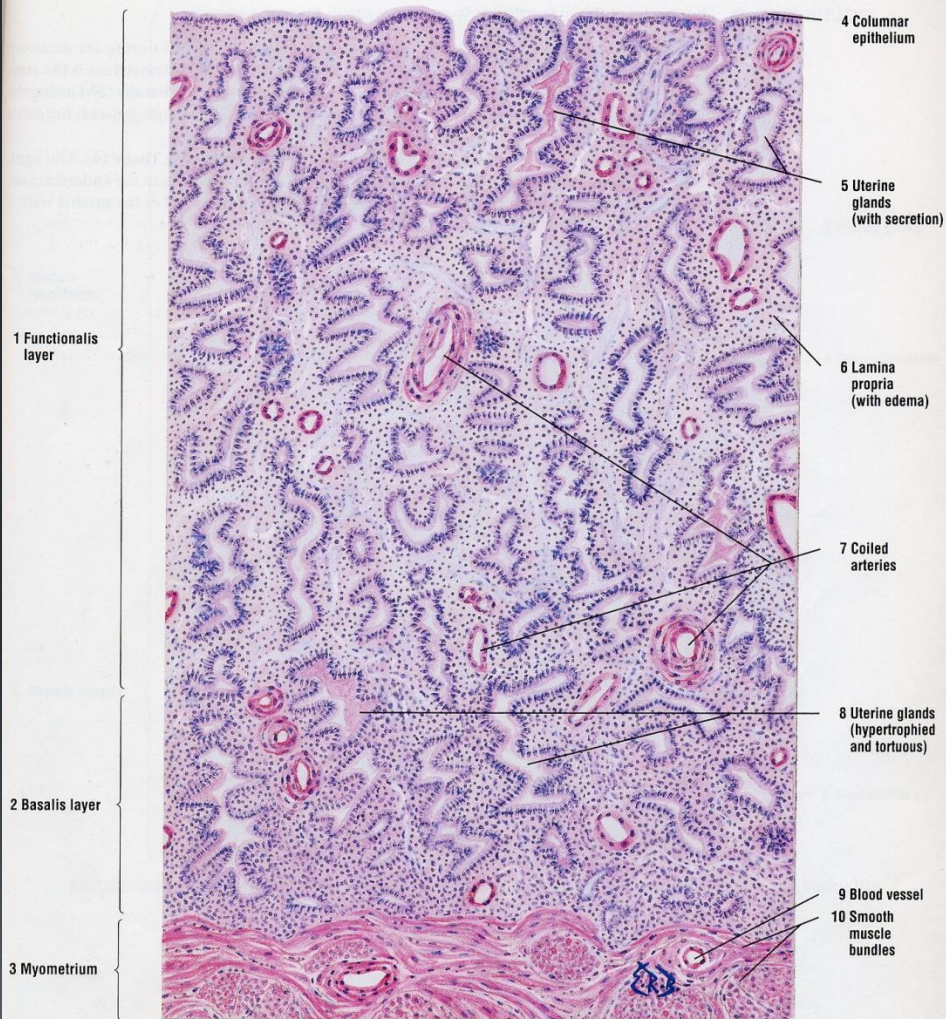
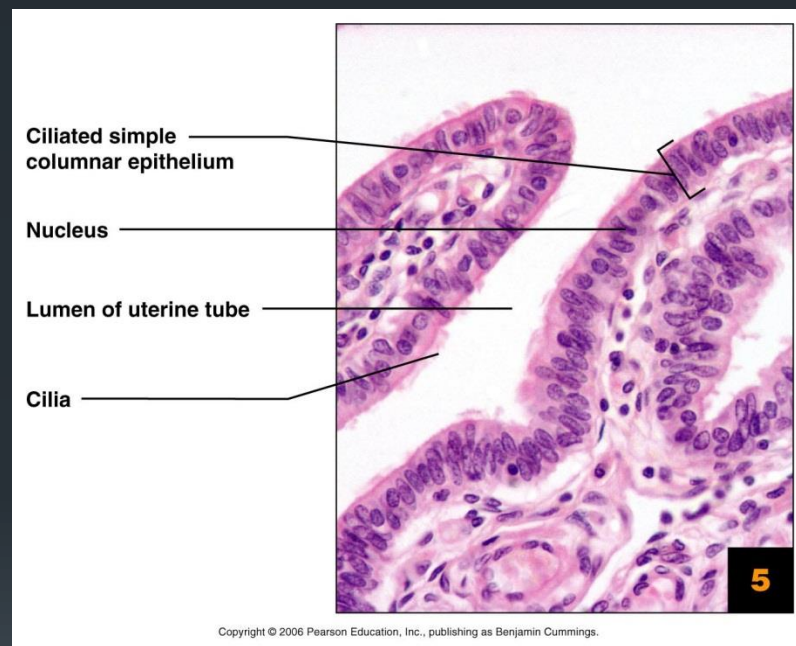


FIGURE 19.13 ■ Uterus: secretory (luteal) phase. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. Low magnification.



Uterus



FIGURE 19.8 ■ Uterine tube: ampulla (panoramic view, transverse section). Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. Low magnification.

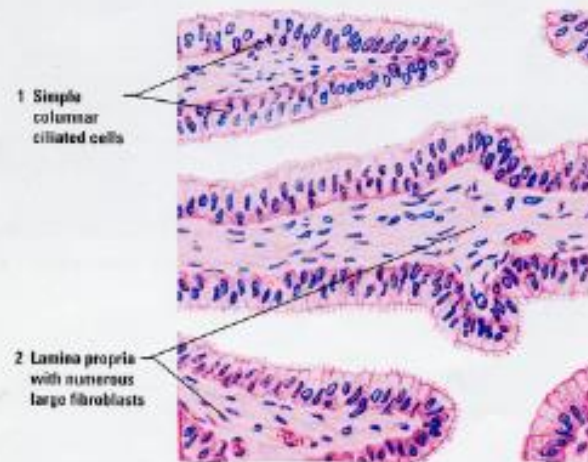


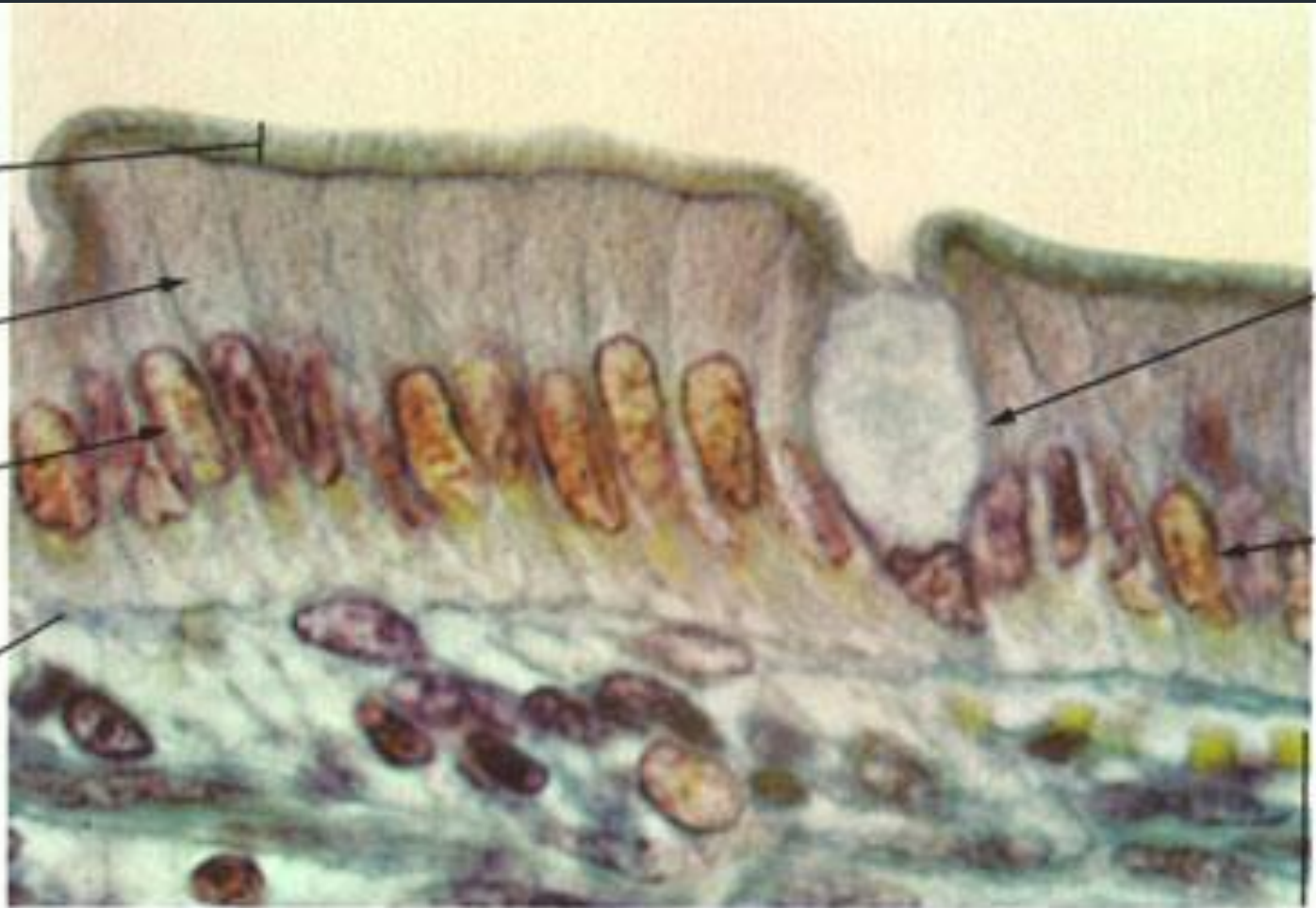
FIGURE 19.9 ■ Uterine tube: mucosal folds (early proliferative phase). Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. High magnification.

Brush border

Absorbing cell

Nucleus

Basement membrane



Goblet cell

Nucleus

Lamina propria

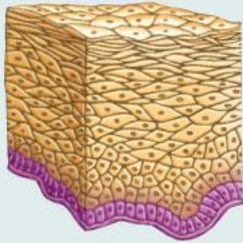
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FIGURE 14.9 ■ Wall of the gallbladder. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. Low magnification.

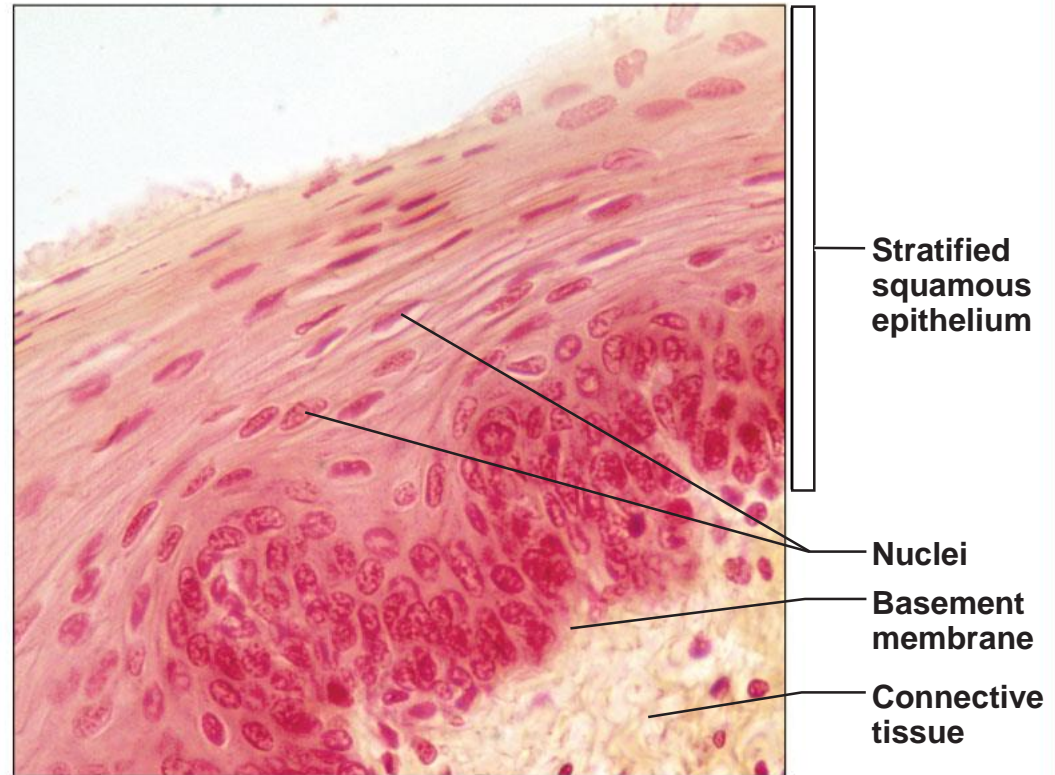
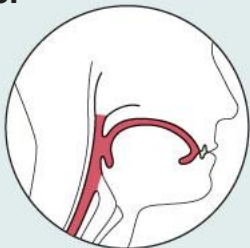
Stratified squamous epithelium

Description: Thick membrane composed of several cell layers; basal cells are cuboidal or columnar and metabolically active; surface cells are flattened (squamous); in the keratinized type, the surface cells are full of keratin and dead; basal cells are active in mitosis and produce the cells of the more superficial layers.



Function: Protects underlying tissues in areas subjected to abrasion.

Location: Nonkeratinized type forms the moist linings of the esophagus, mouth, and vagina; keratinized variety forms the epidermis of the skin, a dry membrane.



Photomicrograph: Stratified squamous epithelium lining the esophagus (285x).

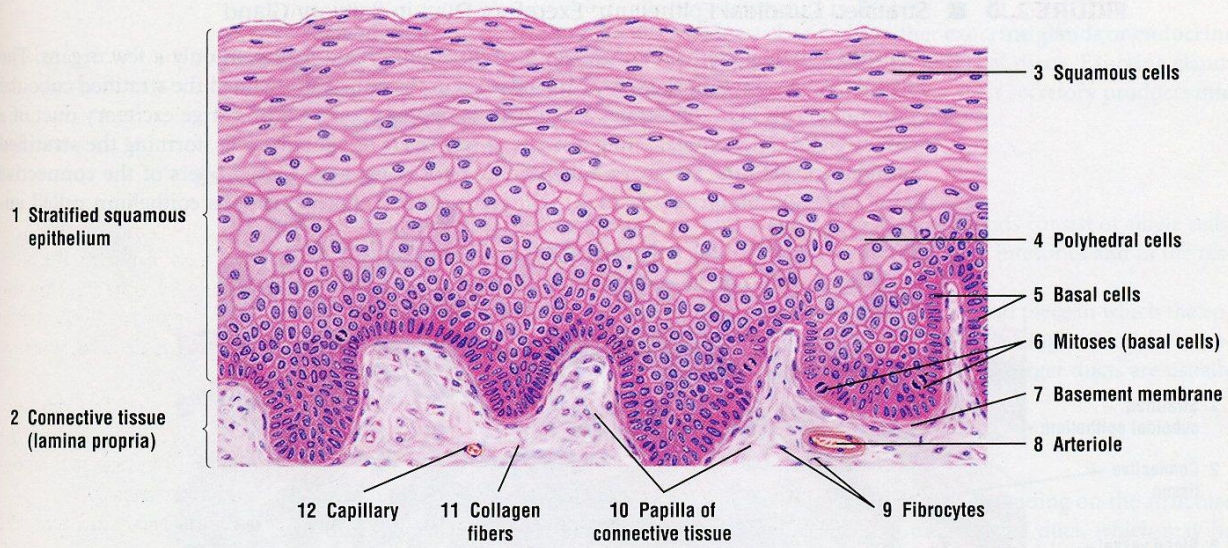


FIGURE 2.8 ■ Stratified squamous nonkeratinized epithelium: esophagus. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. Medium magnification.

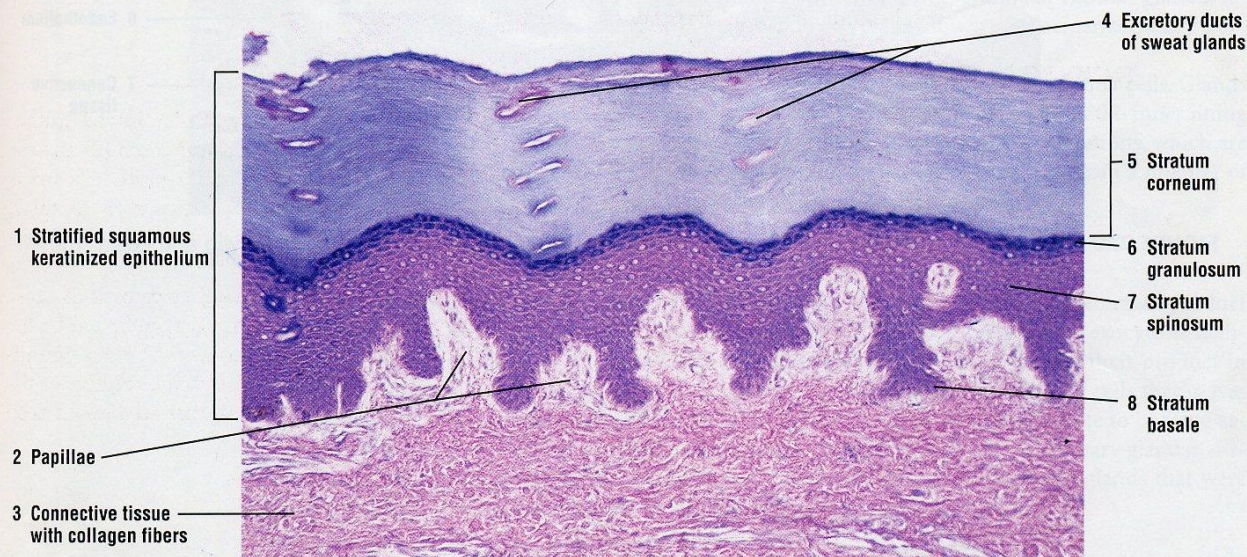
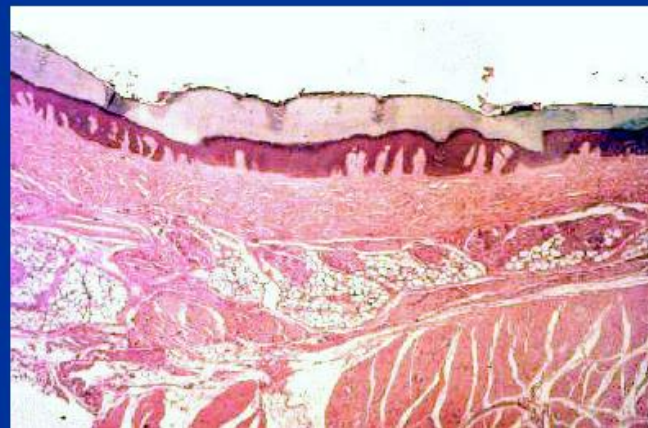
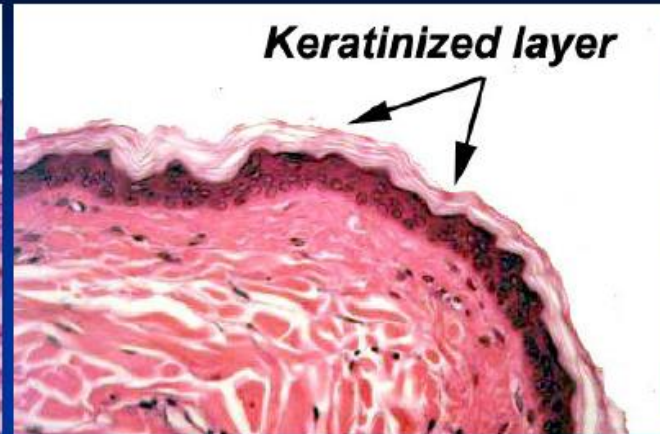
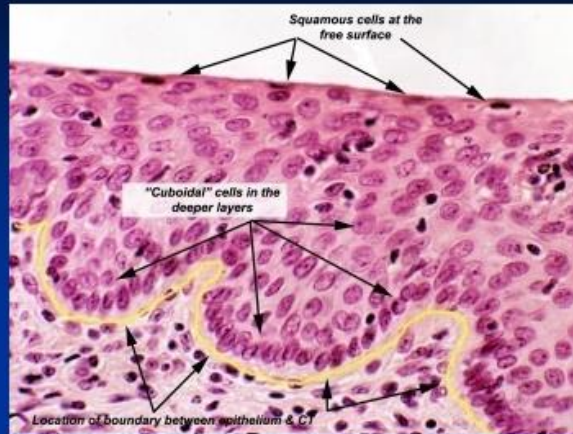
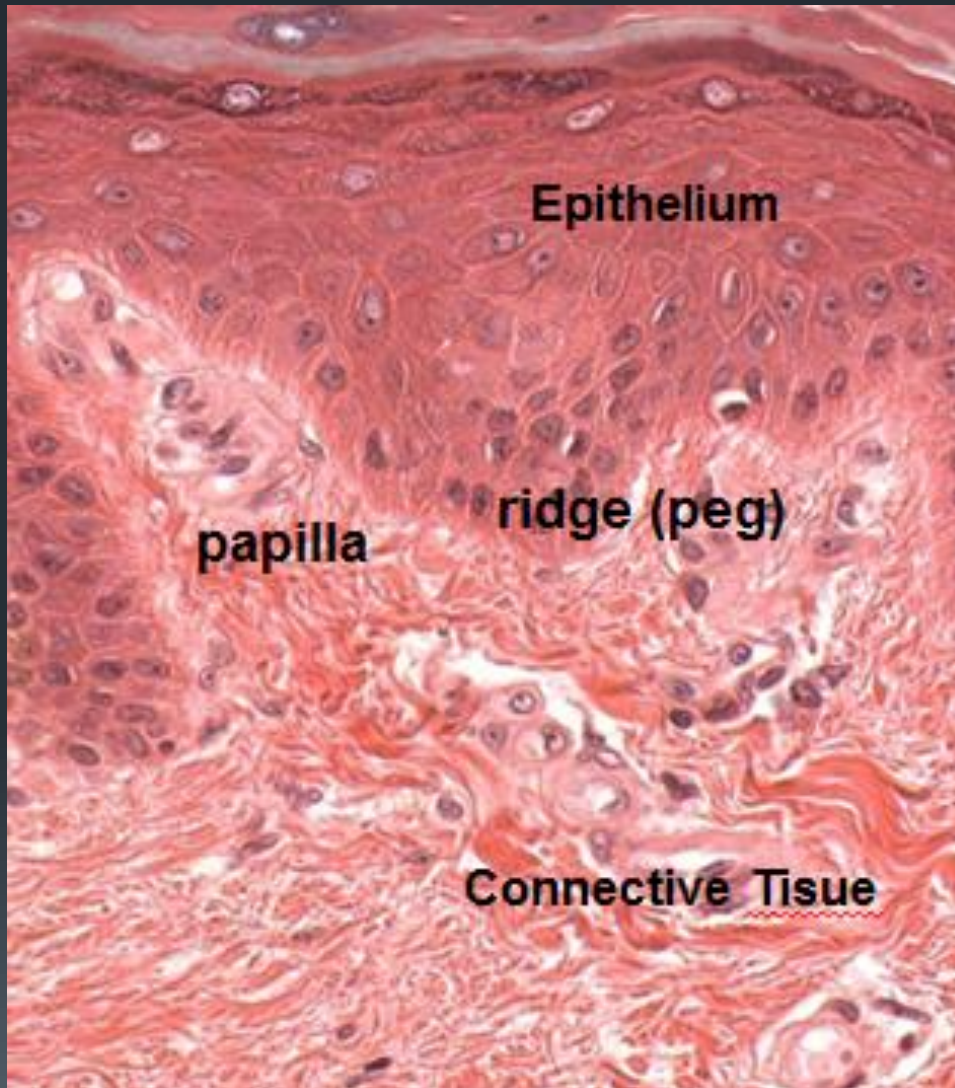


FIGURE 2.9 ■ Stratified squamous keratinized epithelium: palm of the hand. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. 40×

Str squamous (1-Non Ker: vagina, 2- Ker: thin & thick skin)





Stratified cuboidal epithelium

FIGURE 2.10 ■ Stratified Cuboidal Epithelium: Excretory Duct in Salivary Gland

Stratified cuboidal epithelium has a limited distribution and is seen in only a few organs. The larger excretory ducts in the salivary glands and in the pancreas are lined the stratified cuboidal epithelium. This figure illustrates a high-power photomicrograph of a large excretory duct of a salivary gland. The luminal lining consists of two layers of cuboidal cells, forming the **stratified cuboidal epithelium** (1). Surrounding the excretory duct are collagen fibers of the **connective tissue** (2,7) and **blood vessels** (3, 5) that are lined by simple squamous epithelium called **endothelium** (4,6).

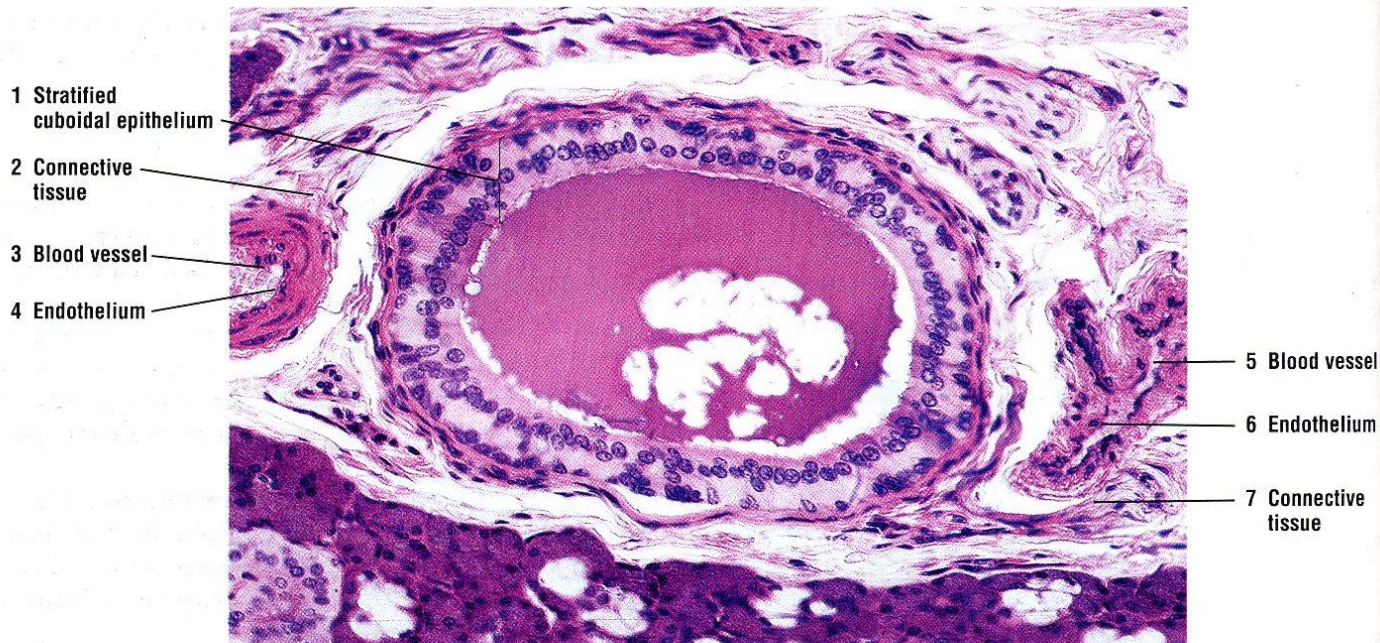
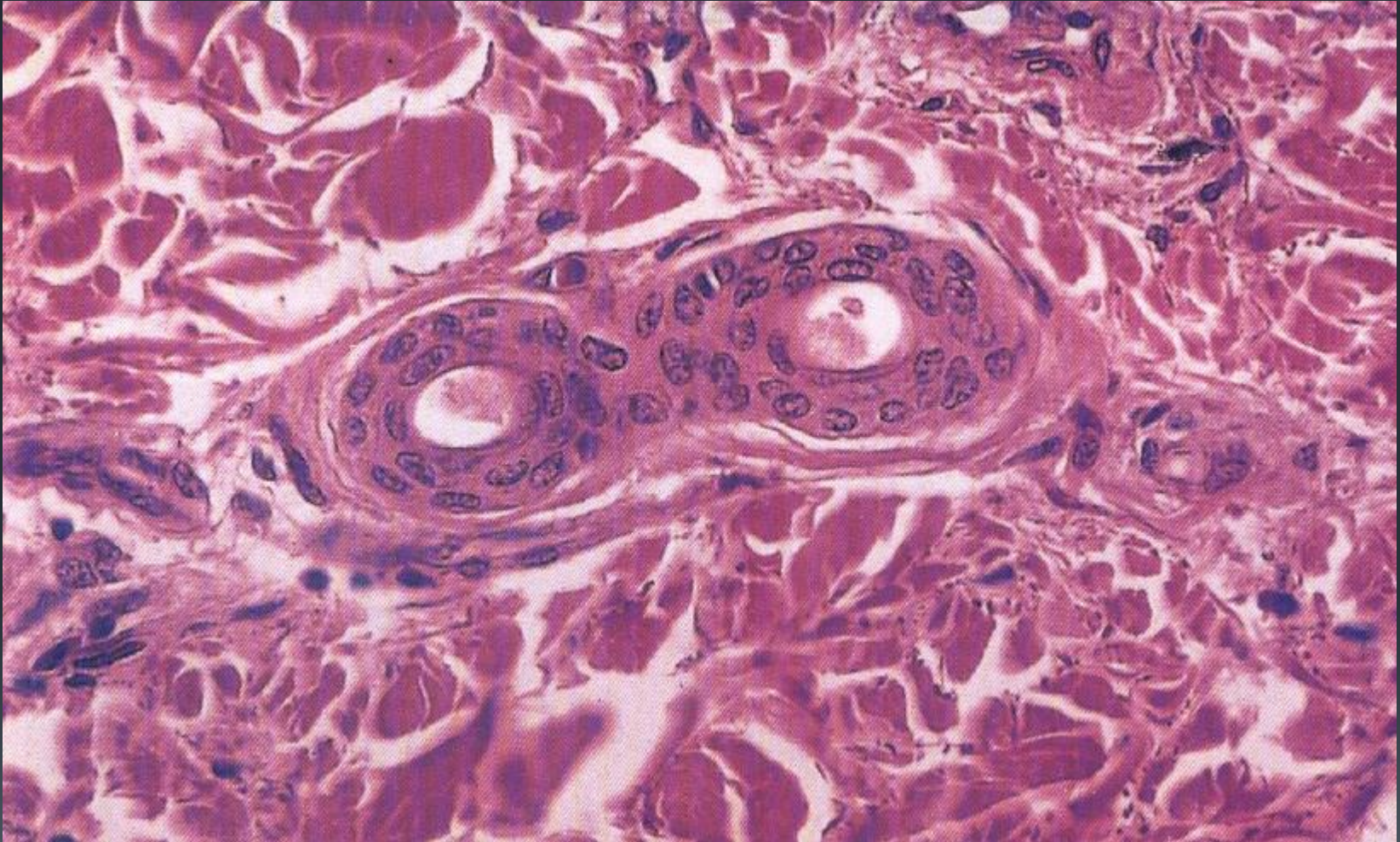
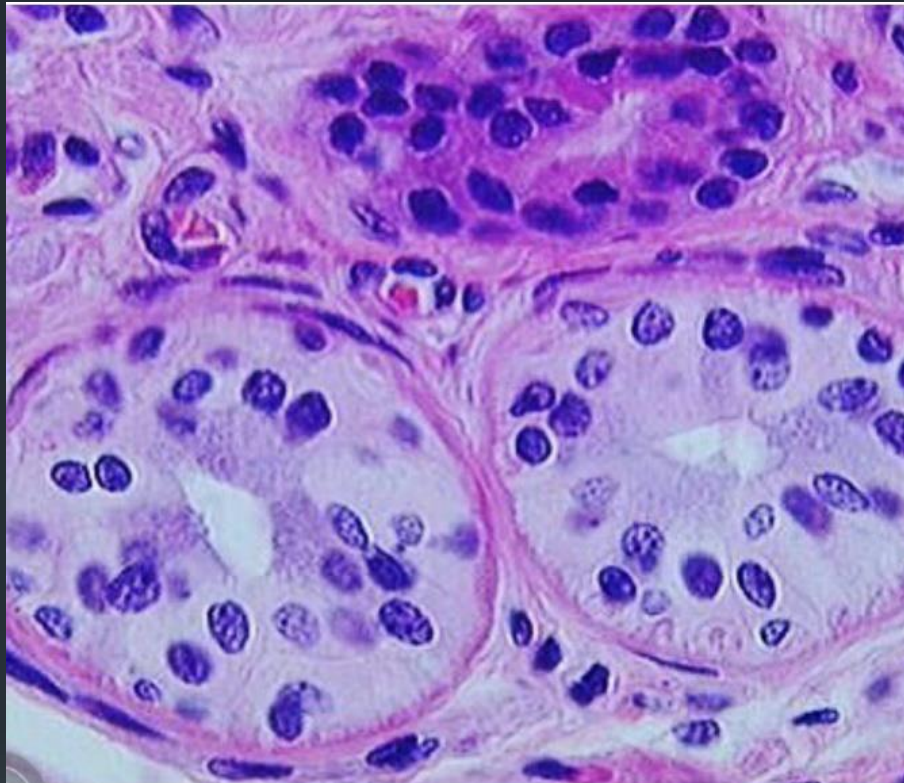


FIGURE 2.10 ■ Stratified cuboidal epithelium: excretory duct in salivary gland. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. 100×



Sweat gland duct

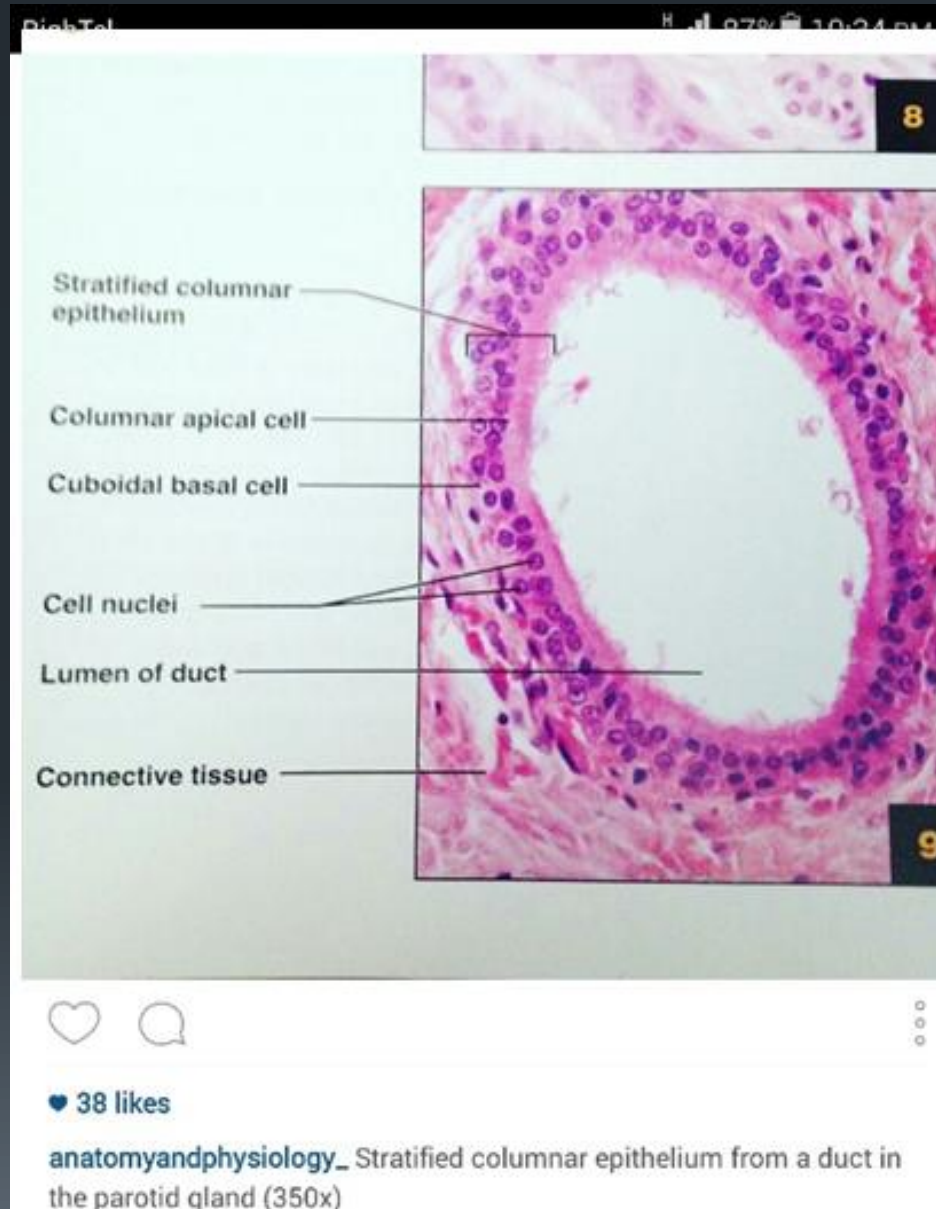


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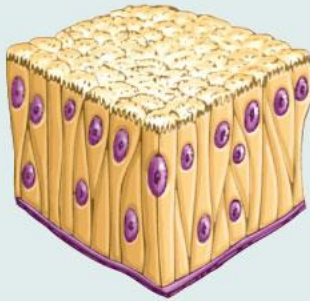
Stratified cuboidal epithelium has a limited distribution in the body, largely seen in larger size exocrine gland ducts. This example above is the duct of a sweat gland (blue dotted line). Notice that the secretory

Stratified columnar epithelium



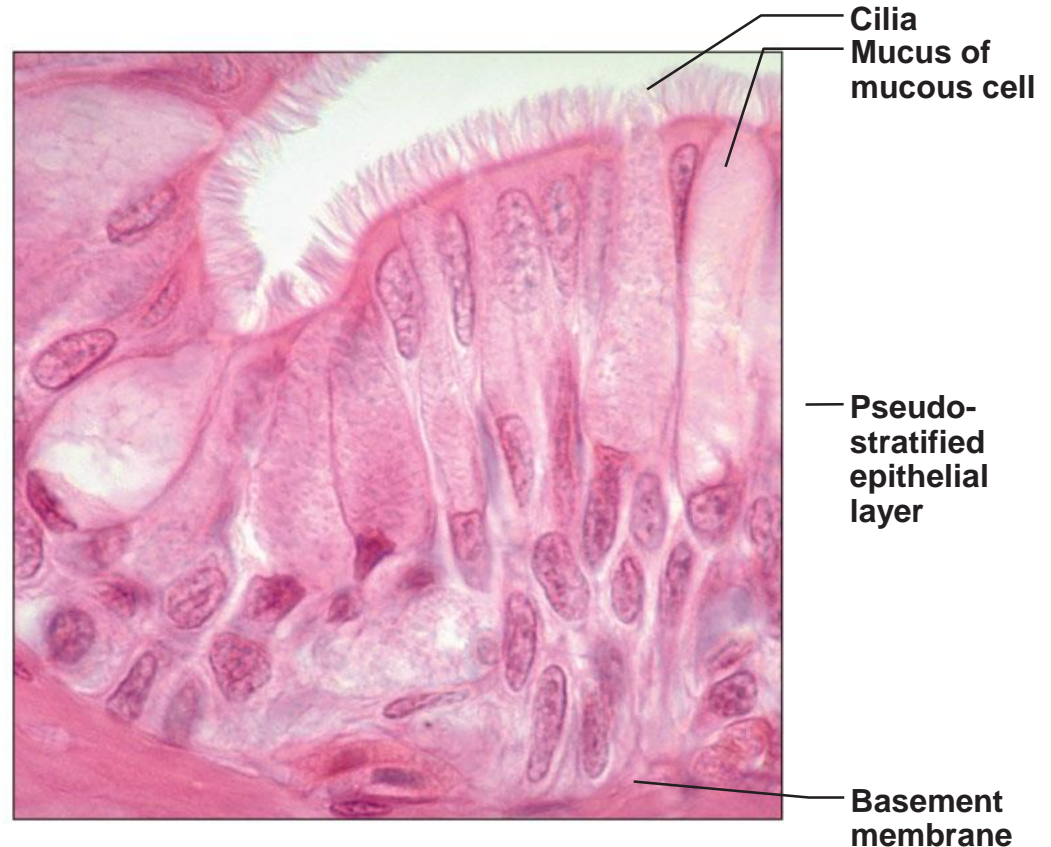
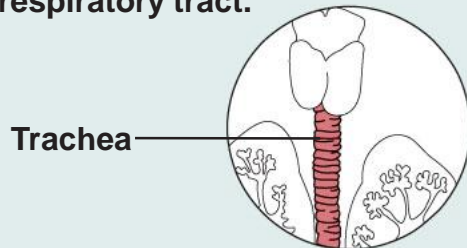
Pseudo-stratified columnar epithelium

Description: Single layer of cells of differing heights, some not reaching the free surface; nuclei seen at different levels; may contain mucus-secreting cells and bear cilia.



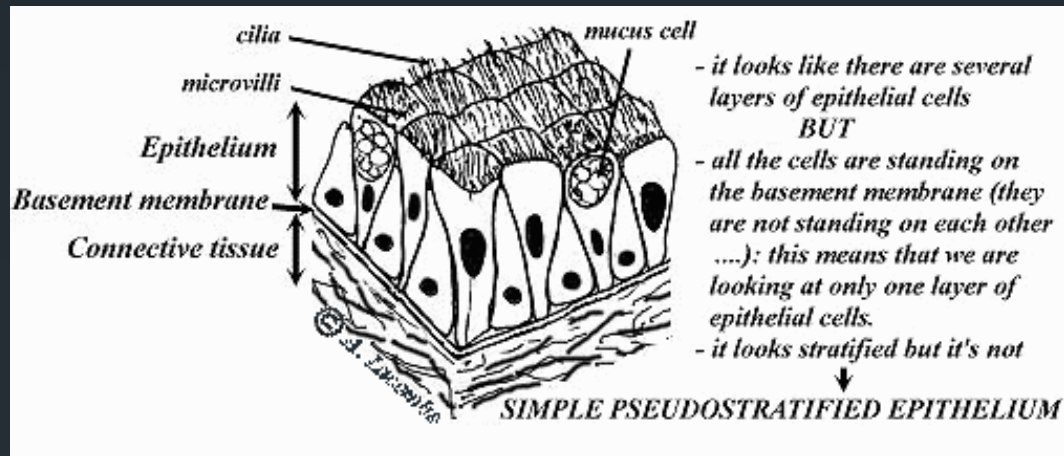
Function: Secretion, particularly of mucus; propulsion of mucus by ciliary action.

Location: Nonciliated type in male's sperm-carrying ducts and ducts of large glands; ciliated variety lines the trachea, most of the upper respiratory tract.



Photomicrograph: Pseudostratified ciliated columnar epithelium lining the human trachea (570x).

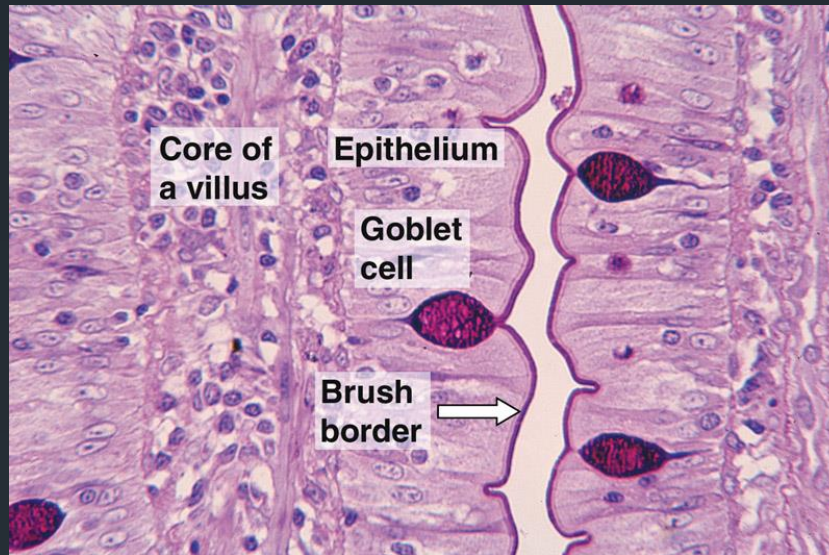
Pseudo-stratified ciliated columnar epithelium



Description: single layer of cells of differing heights, but some don't reach the free surface. Nuclei are seen at many different levels. They contain goblet cells and cilia.

Function: secretion & propulsion of mucus

Locations: In the trachea & most of the upper respiratory tract



- Shapes vary in height
- Nuclei at different levels – appear stratified, but aren't.
- All cells reach basement membrane; only a few reach the surface

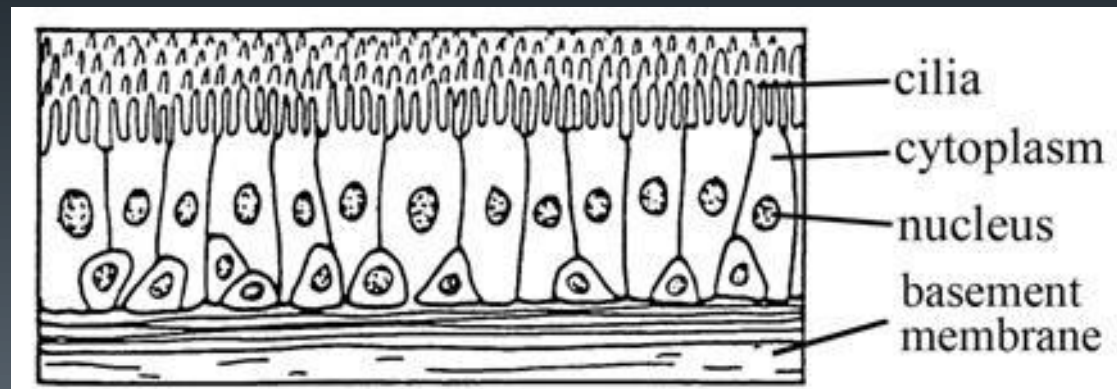


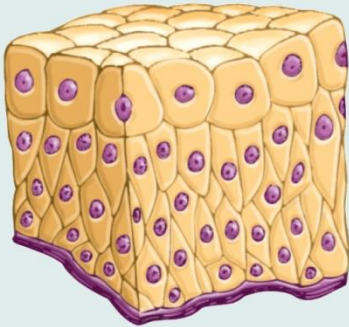


FIGURE 2.6 ■ Pseudostratified columnar ciliated epithelium: respiratory passages (trachea). Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. High magnification.



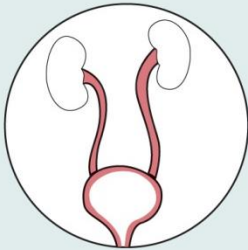
Transitional epithelium

Description: Resembles both stratified squamous and stratified cuboidal; basal cells cuboidal or columnar; surface cells dome shaped or squamouslike, depending on degree of organ stretch.



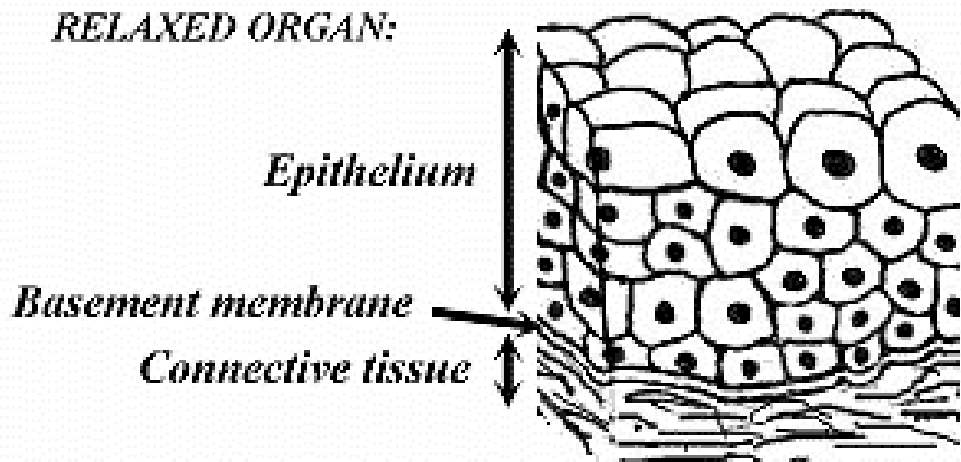
Function: Stretches readily and permits distension of urinary organ by contained urine.

Location: Lines the ureters, urinary bladder, and part of the urethra.



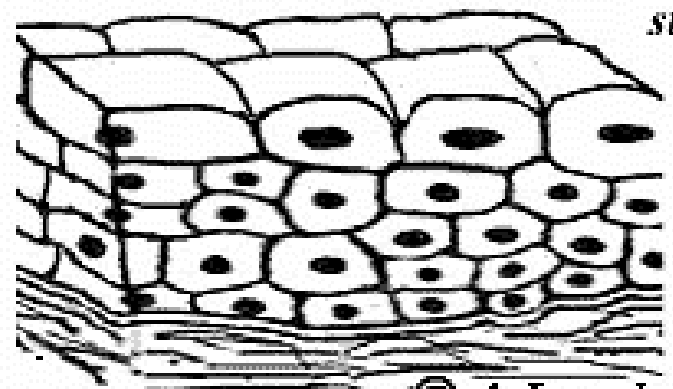
Photomicrograph: Transitional epithelium lining the urinary bladder, relaxed state (360X); note the bulbous, or rounded, appearance of the cells at the surface; these cells flatten and become elongated when the bladder is filled with urine.

RELAXED ORGAN:



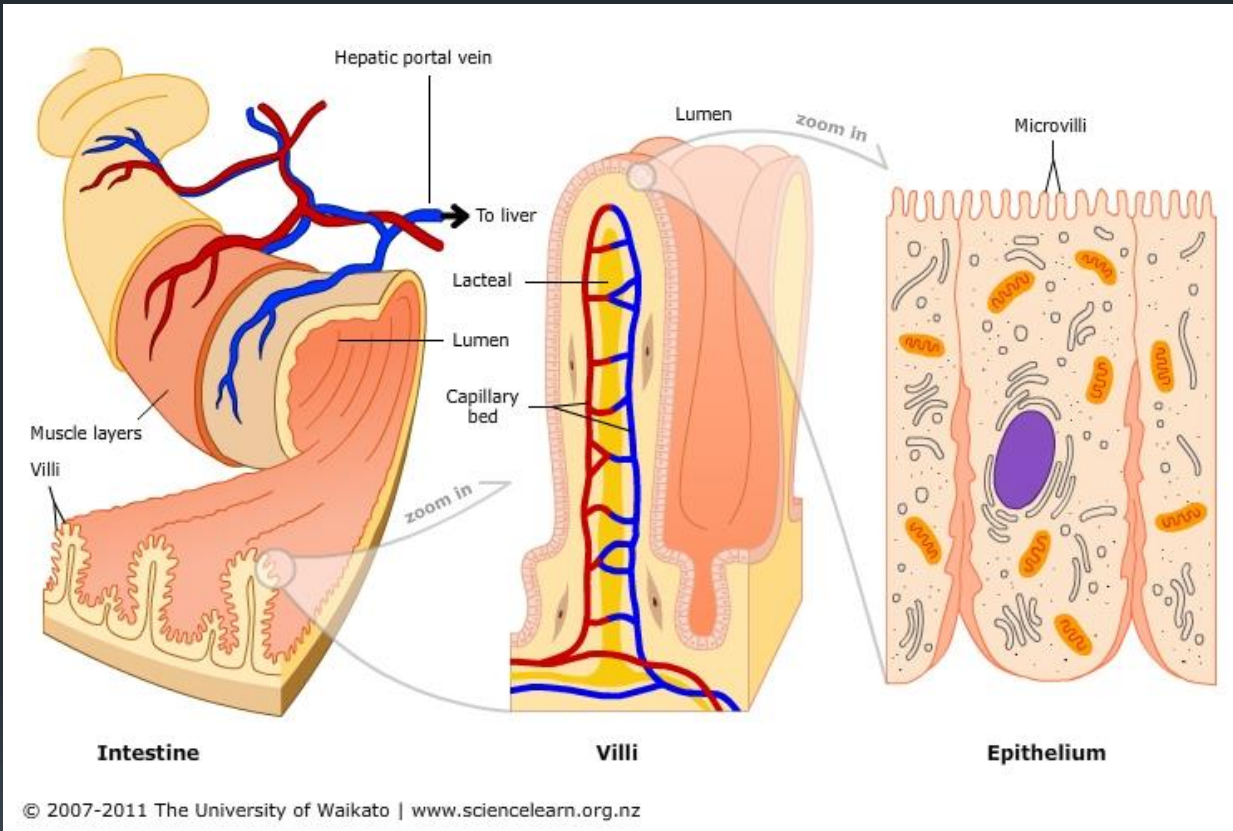
- several layers of epithelial cells
- the shape of the cells of the top layer changes from dome-shaped to squamous-like depending of the degree of organ stretch

STRETCHED ORGAN:

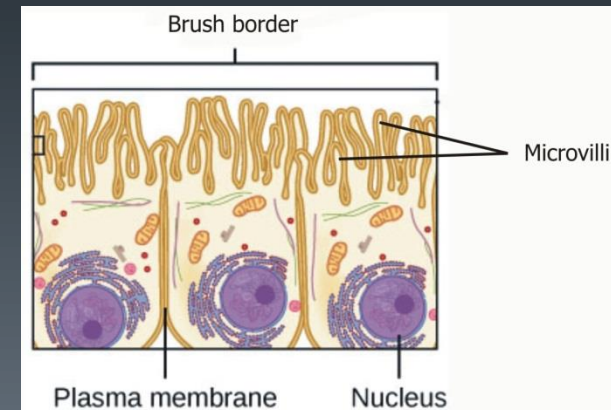


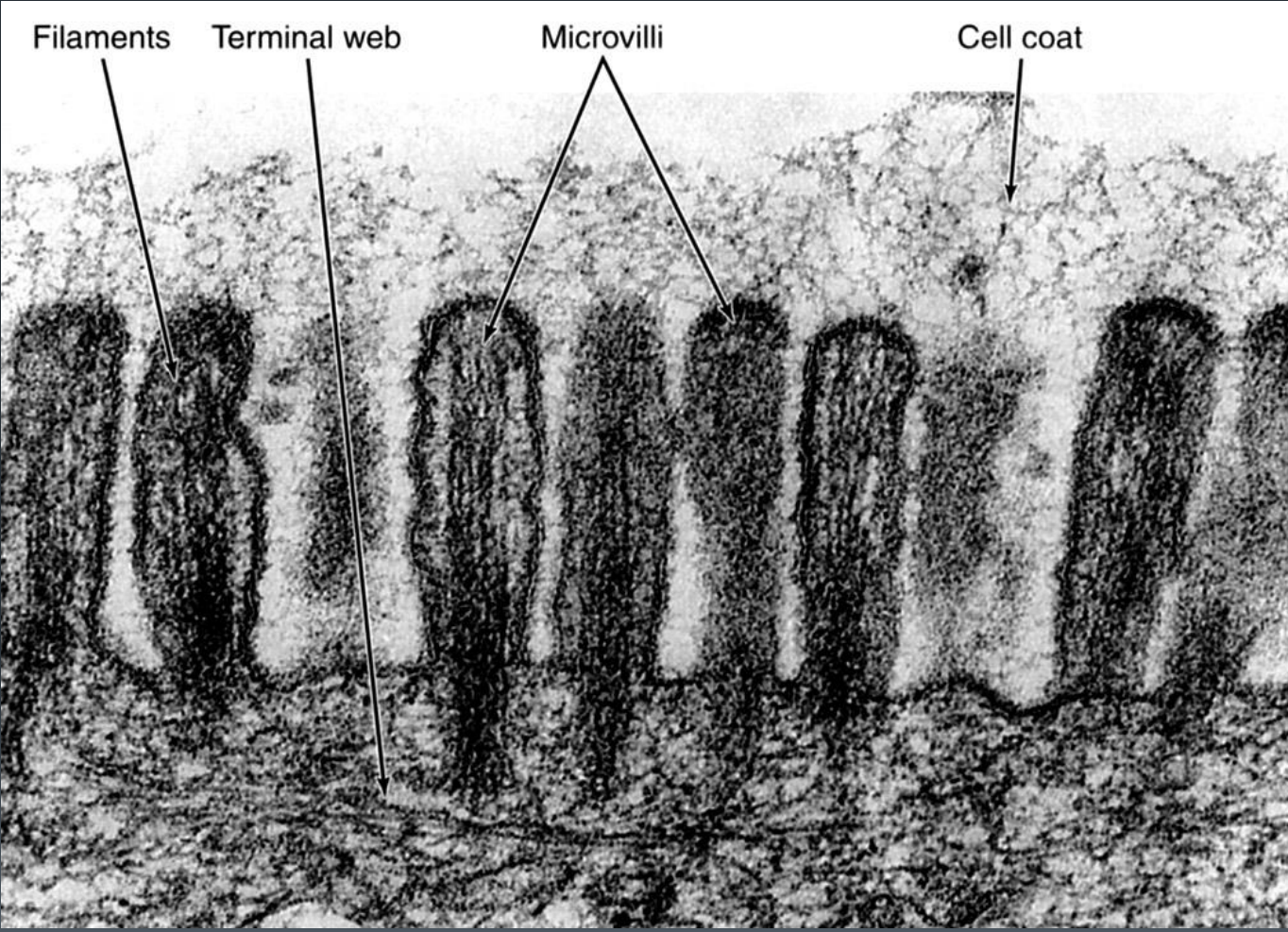
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**STRATIFIED
TRANSITIONAL
EPITHELIUM**

Special structure of apical surface



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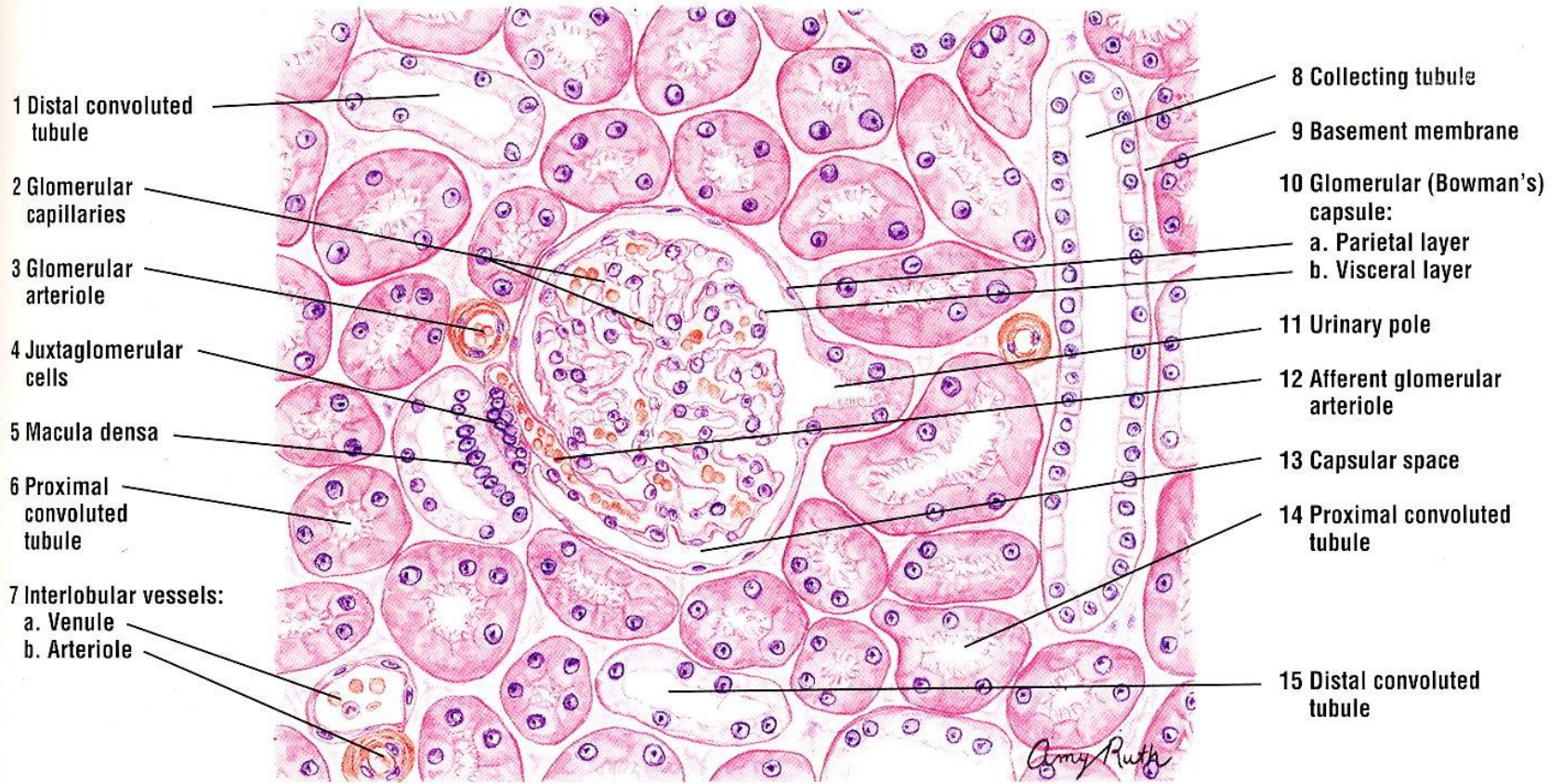
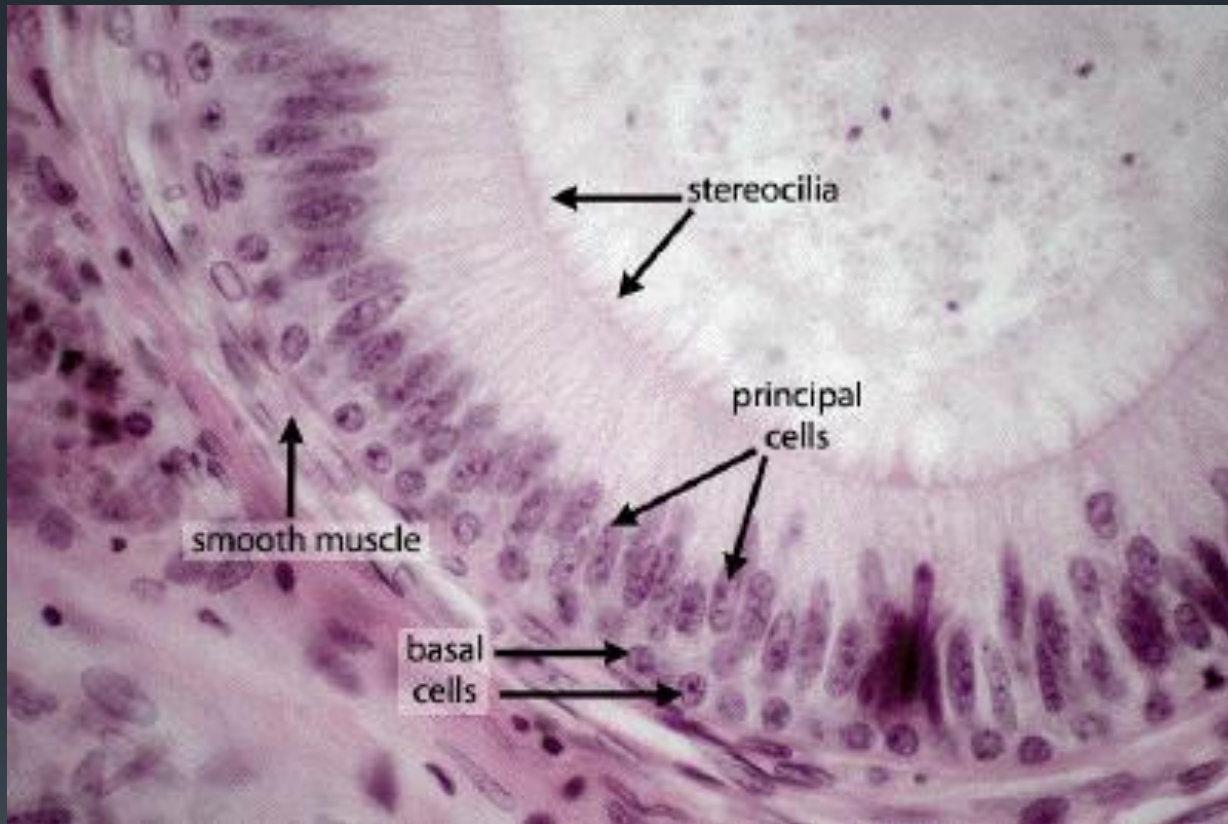
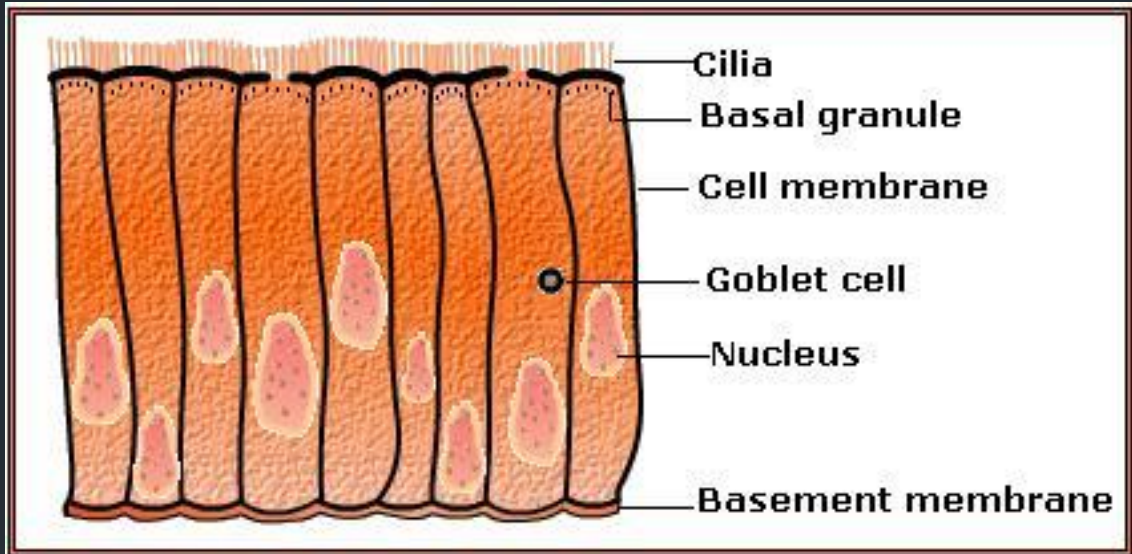


FIGURE 16.3 ■ Kidney cortex: juxtaglomerular apparatus. Stain: periodic acid-Schiff and hematoxylin. Medium magnification.

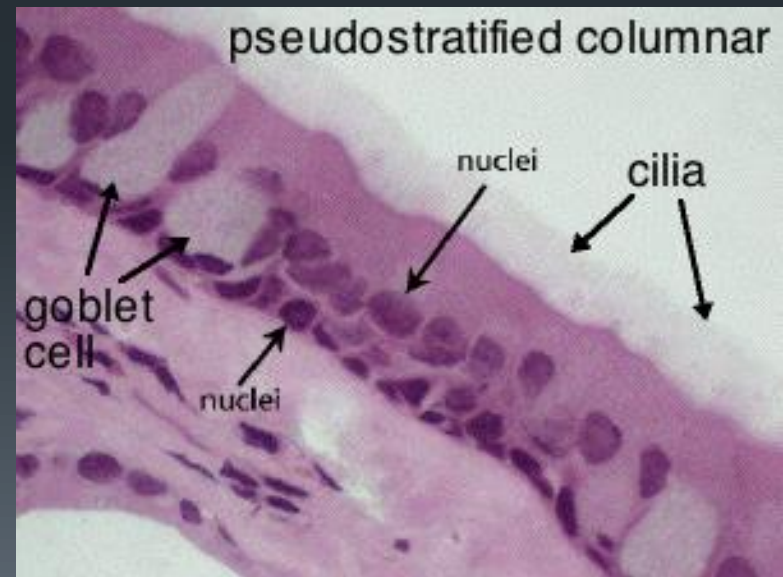


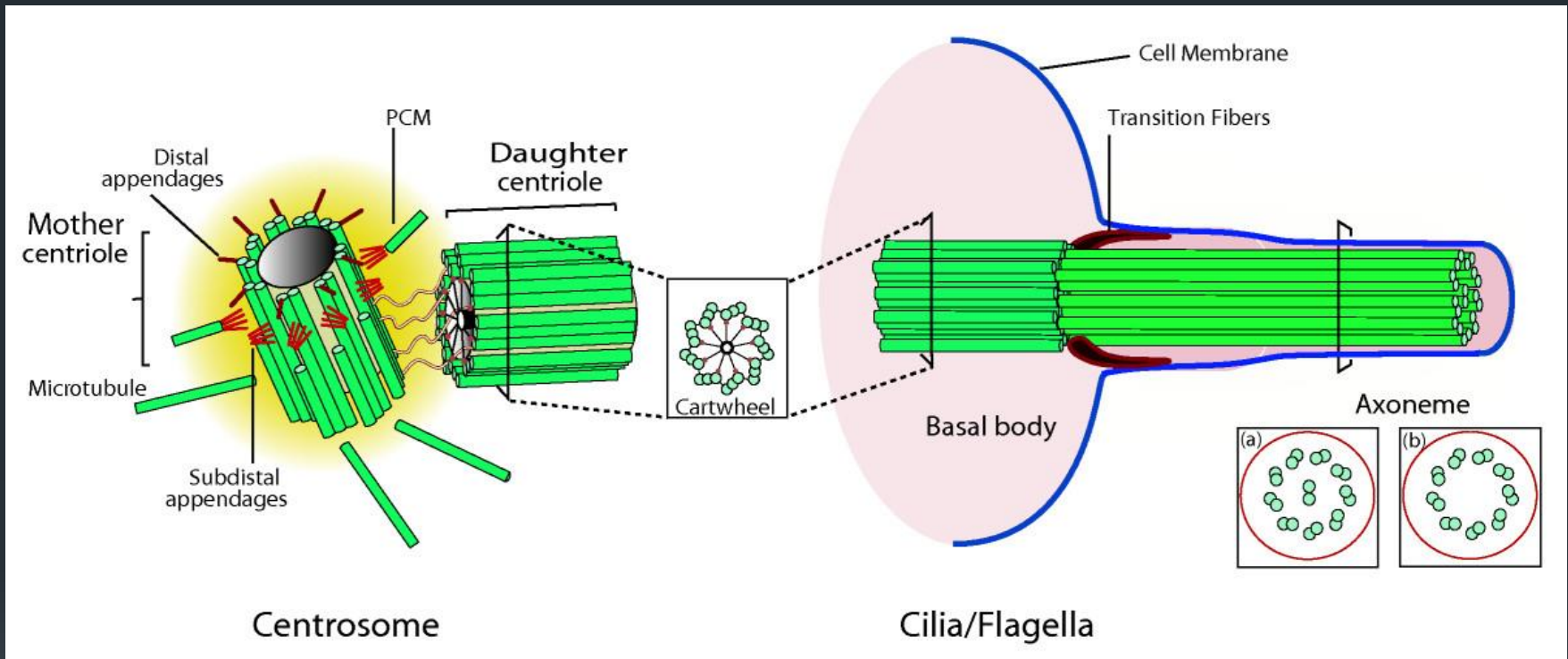
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Ciliated epithelium

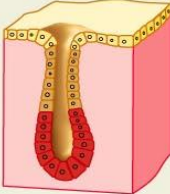
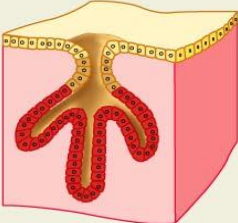
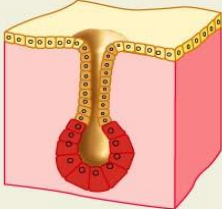
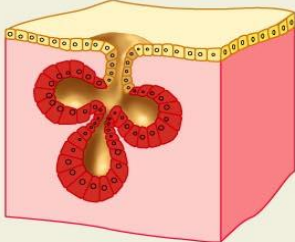
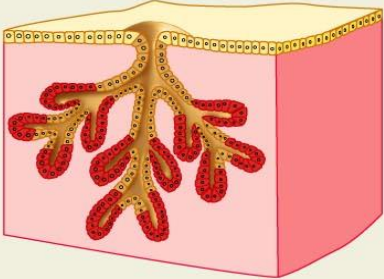
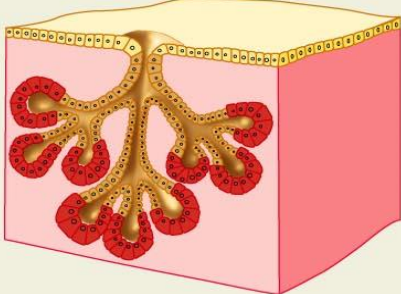
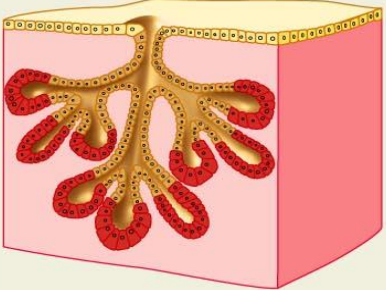
3. cilium





Basal body

Glandular epithelium

	Tubular secretory structure	Alveolar secretory structure
Simple duct structure (duct does not branch)	  <p>(a) Simple tubular Example: intestinal glands</p> <p>(b) Simple branched tubular Example: stomach (gastric) glands</p>	  <p>(c) Simple alveolar Example: No important example in humans</p> <p>(d) Simple branched alveolar Example: sebaceous (oil) glands</p>
Compound duct structure (duct branches)	 <p>(e) Compound tubular Example: duodenal glands of small intestine</p>	  <p>(f) Compound alveolar Example: mammary glands</p> <p>(g) Compound tubuloalveolar Example: salivary glands</p>

Key: = Surface epithelium = Duct = Secretory epithelium

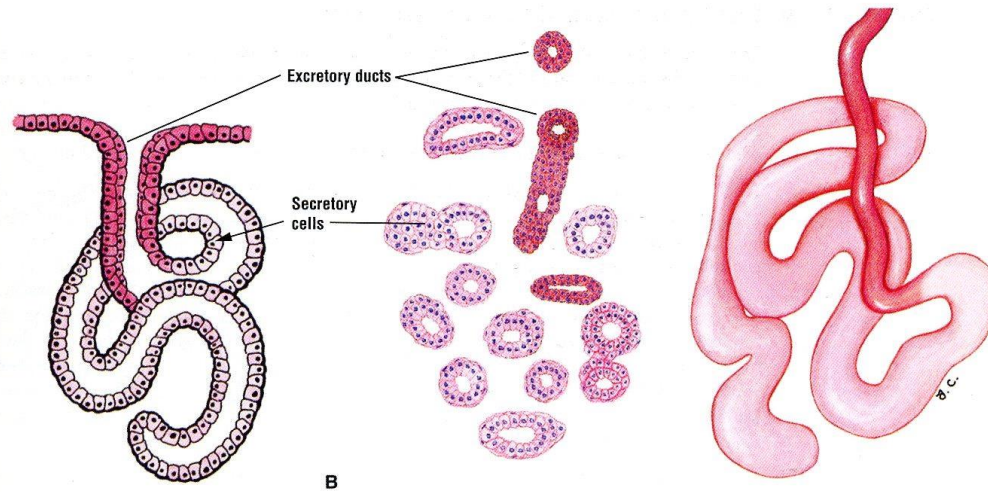


FIGURE 2.13 ■ Coiled tubular exocrine glands: sweat glands. (A) Diagram of gland. (B) Cross section. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. Medium magnification.

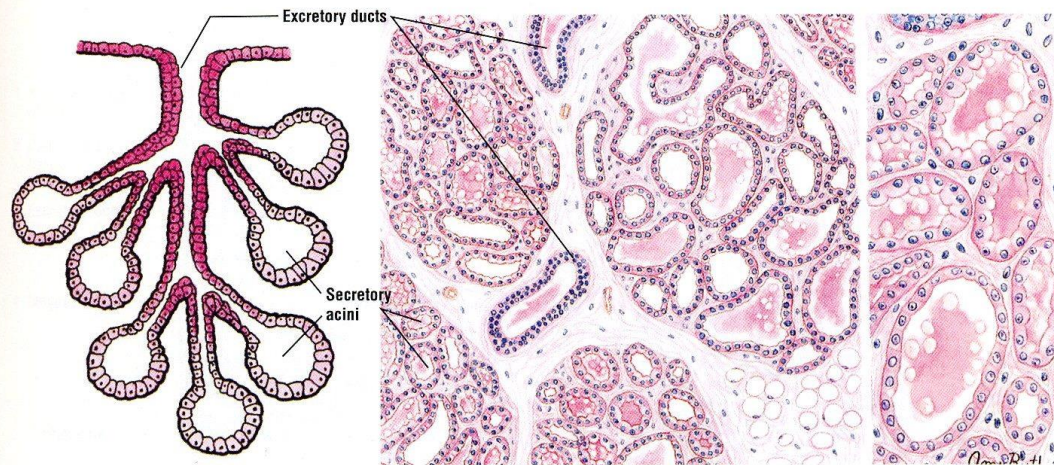
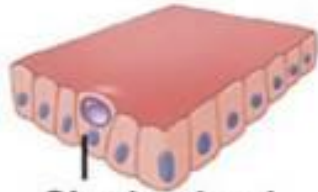
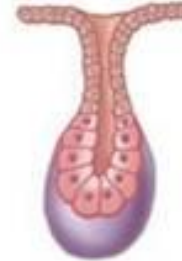


FIGURE 2.14 ■ Compound acinar exocrine gland: mammary gland. (A) Diagram of gland. (B) During lactation. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. (A) Low magnification. (B) Medium magnification.



Single gland cell in epithelium



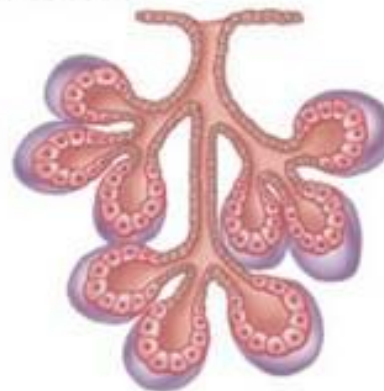
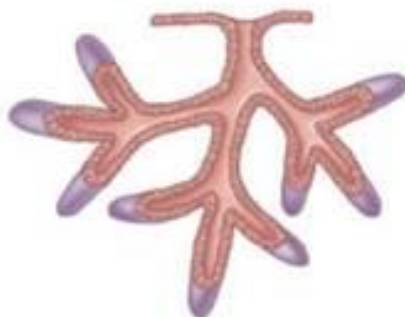
(a) Unicellular (goblet cells in large and small intestine and respiratory passages)

(b) Simple straight tubular (glands in stomach and colon)

(c) Simple branched tubular (glands in lower portion of stomach)

(d) Simple coiled tubular (lower portion of stomach and small intestine)

(e) Simple acinar (sebaceous glands of skin)



(f) Simple branched acinar (sebaceous glands of skin)

(g) Compound tubular (mucous glands of duodenum)

(h) Compound acinar (mammary glands)

(i) Compound tubuloacinar (pancreas)



Simple tubular



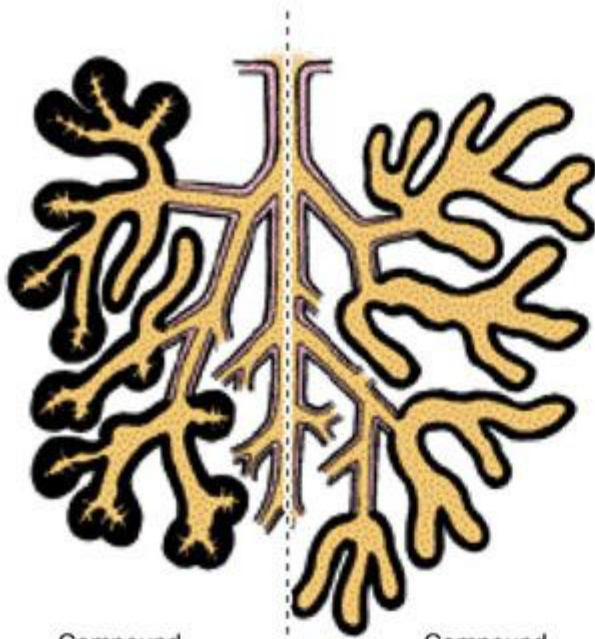
Simple coiled tubular



Simple branched tubular



Simple branched acinar



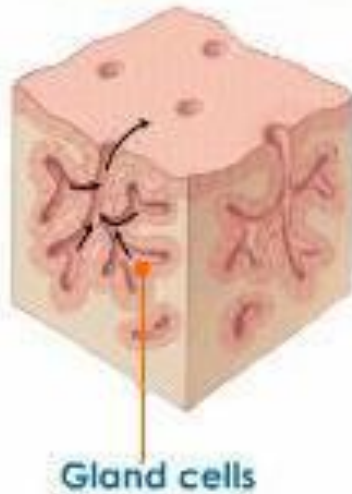
Compound tubuloacinar

Compound tubular

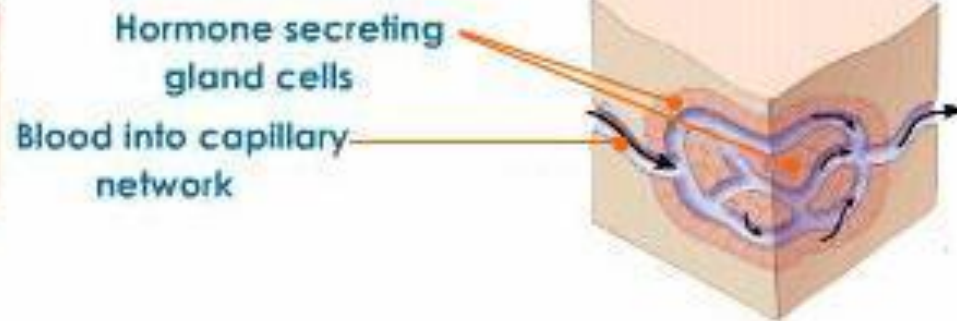


Compound acinar

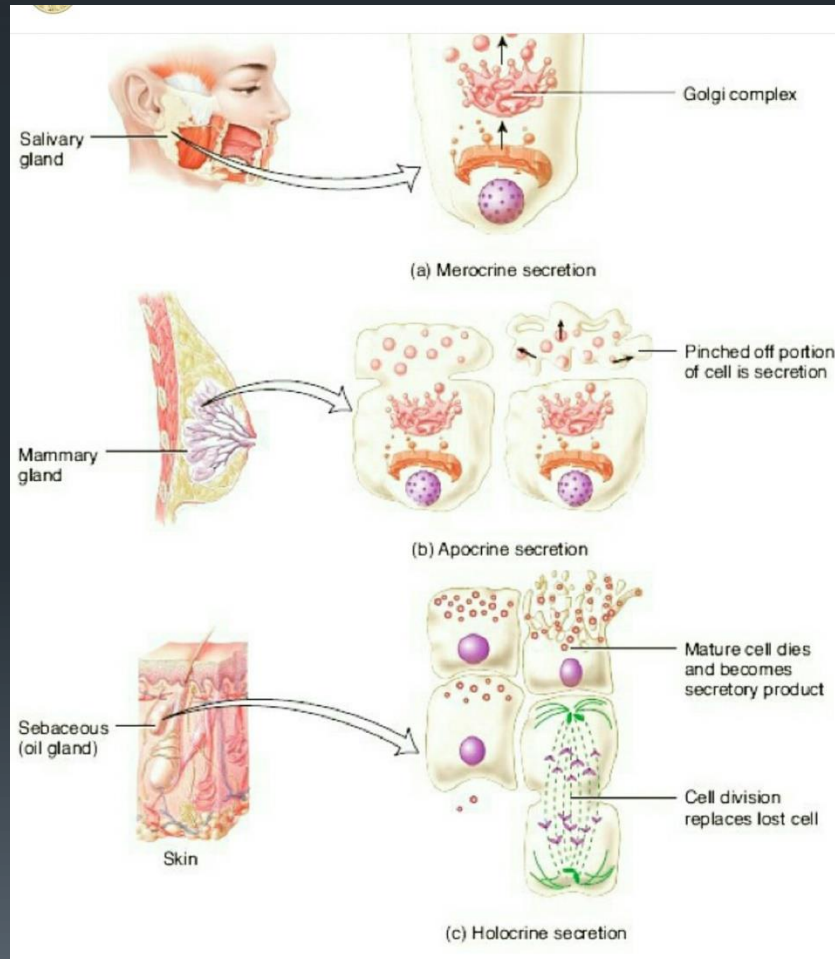
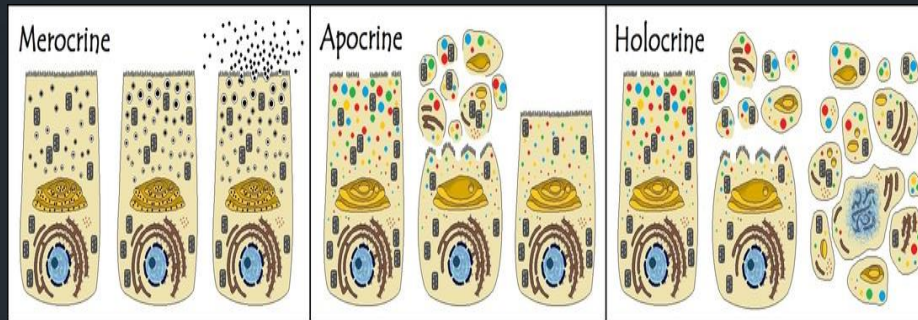
Exocrine Gland



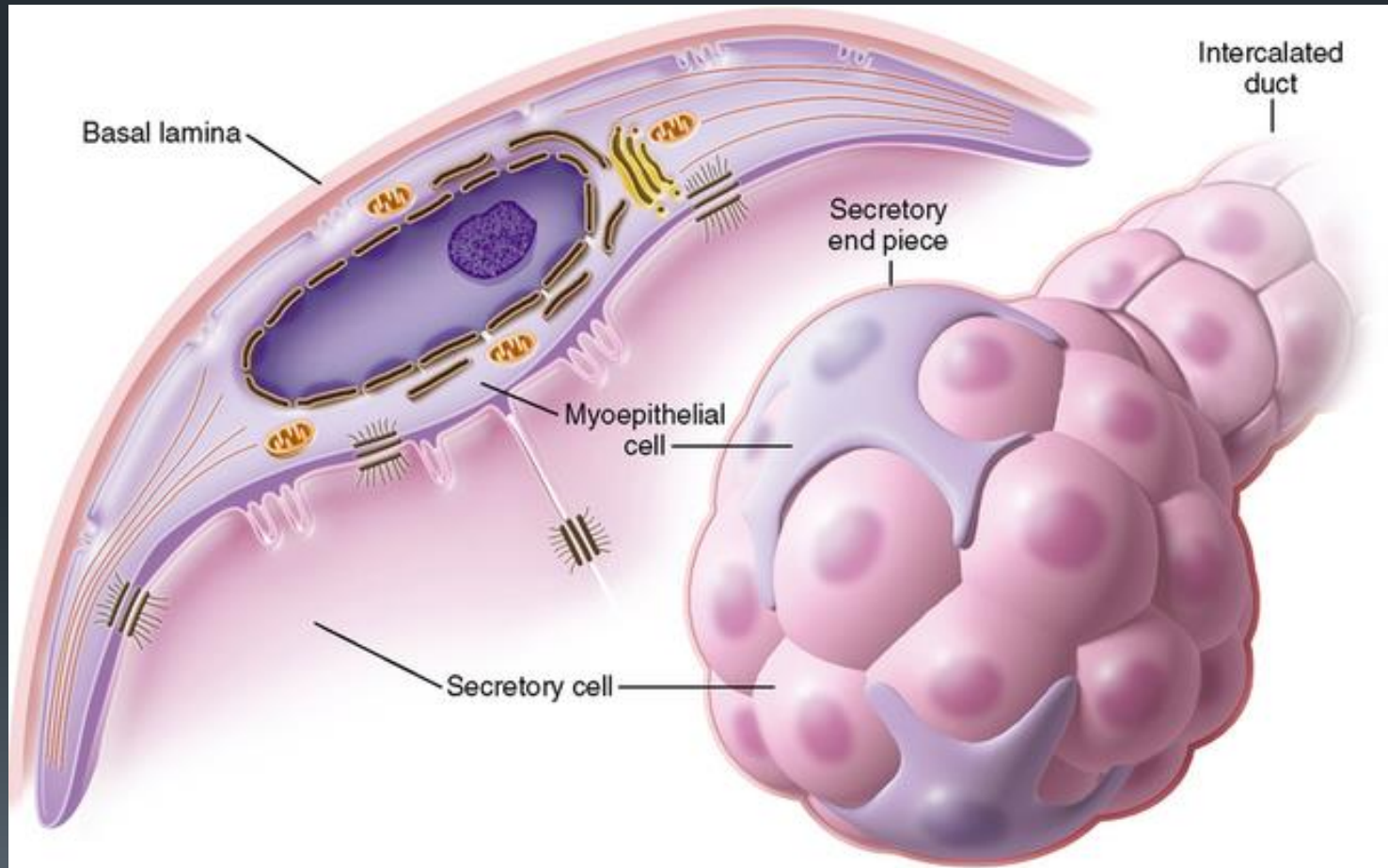
Endocrine Gland

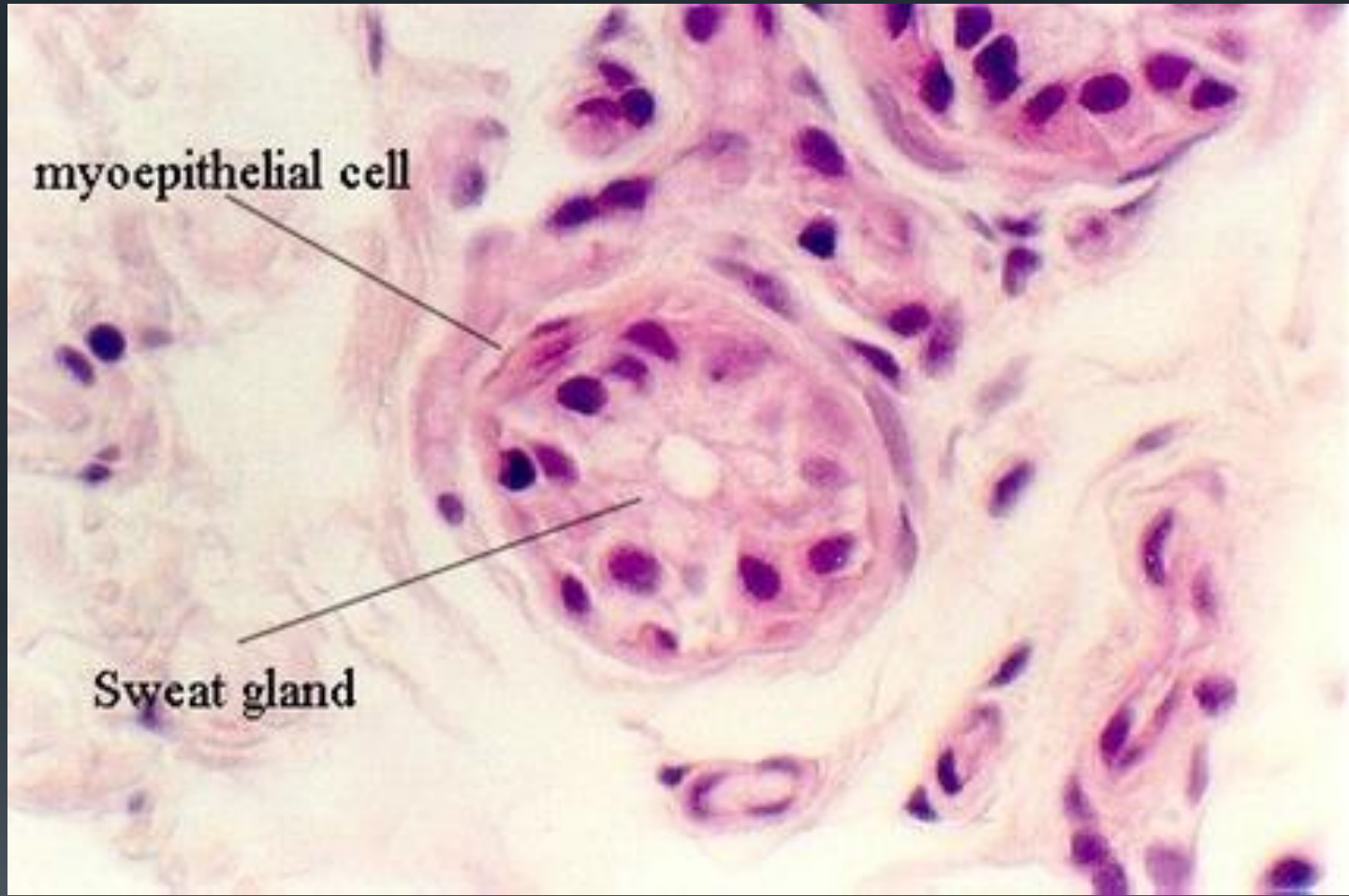


Exocrine and Endocrine Gland Showing Release of Secretion



Myo-epithelial cells



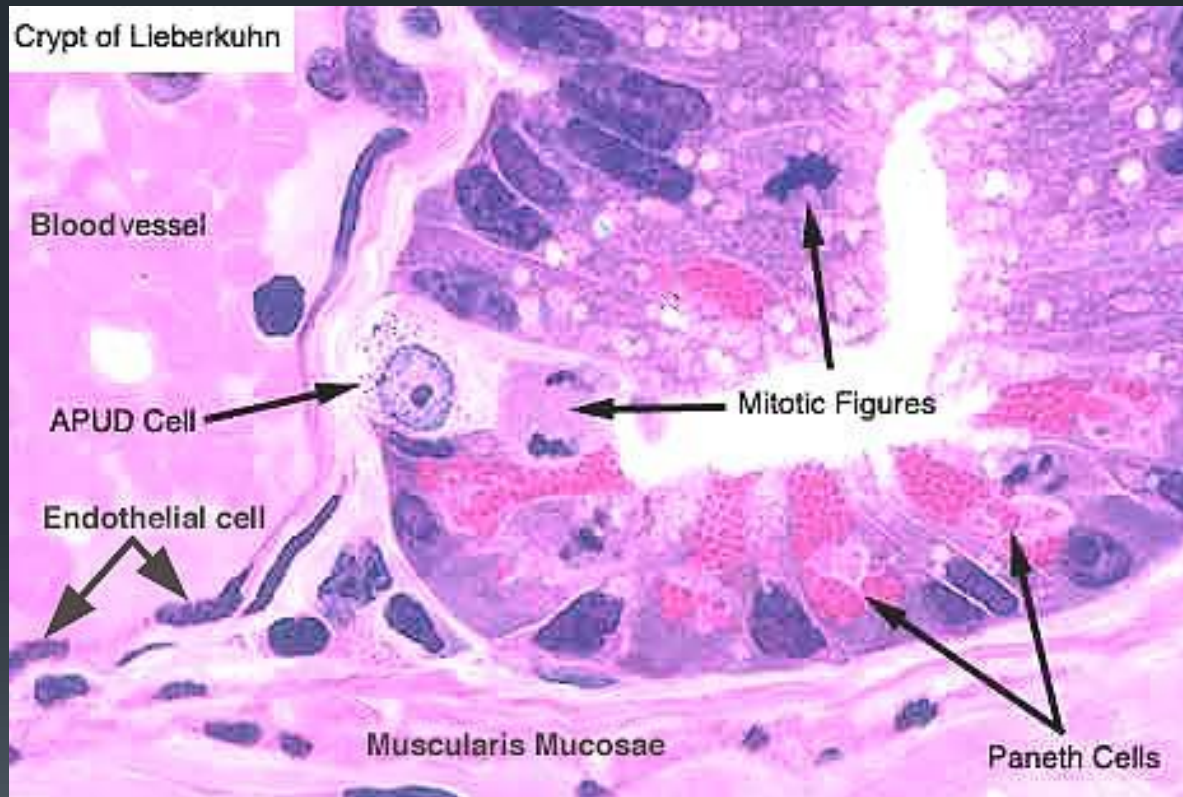


myoepithelial cell

Sweat gland

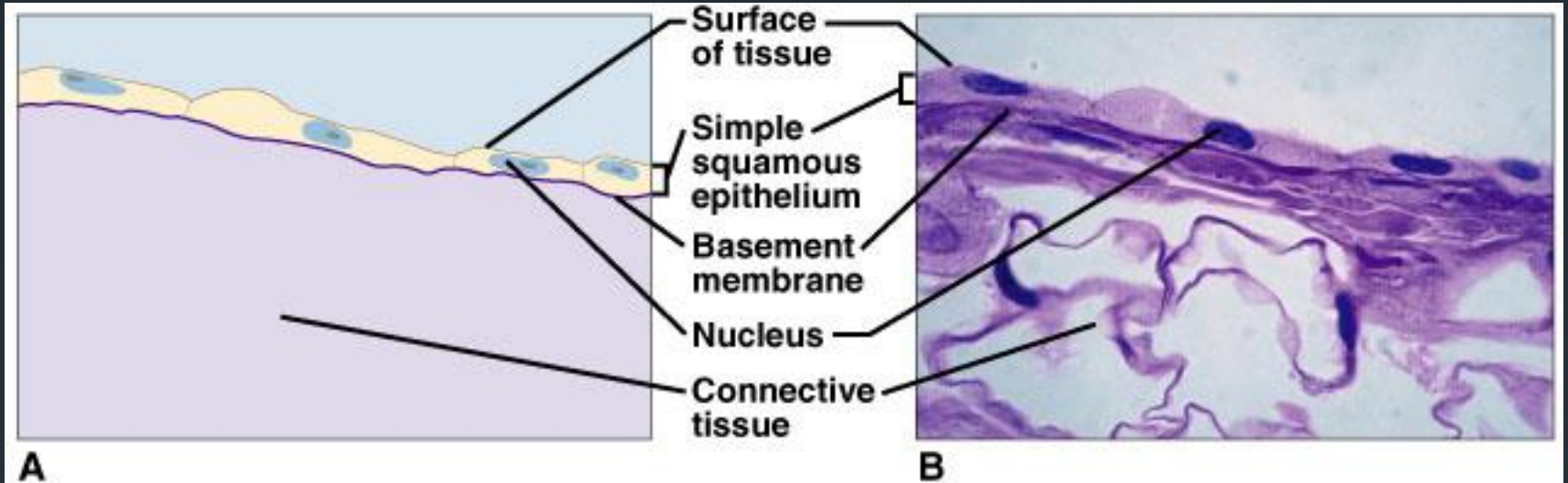
APUD cells

(amine precursor uptake and decarboxylation)



What kind of tissue does this represent?

Simple squamous epithelial tissue

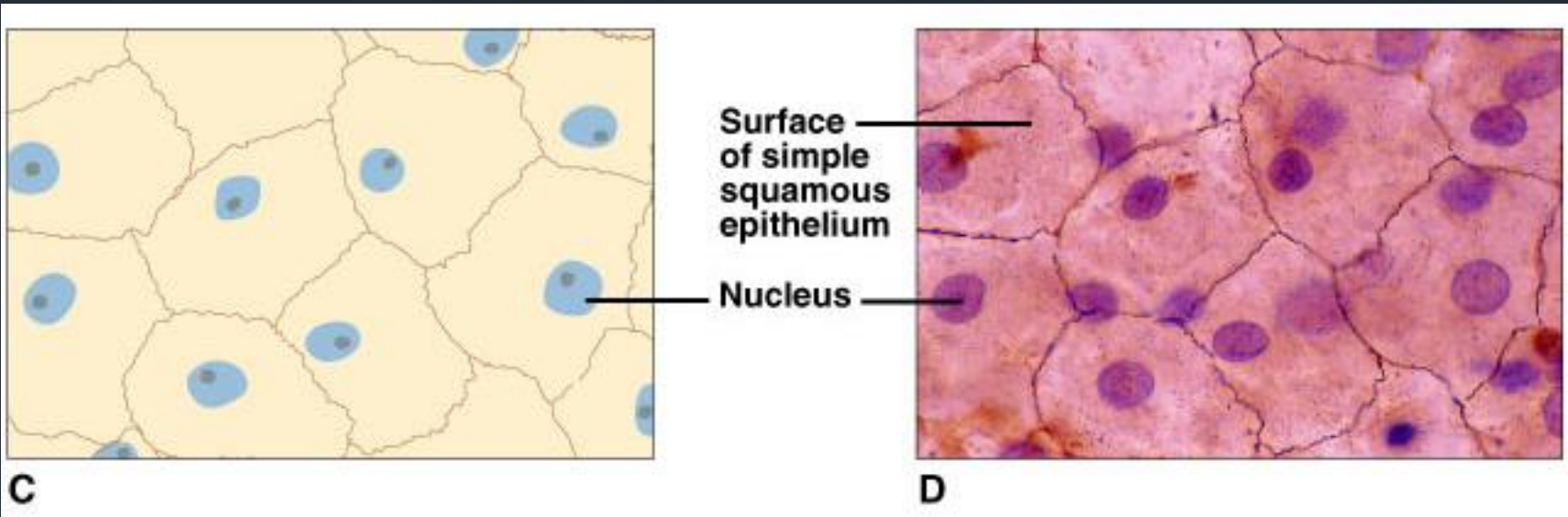


Where in the body would you find this tissue?

lungs

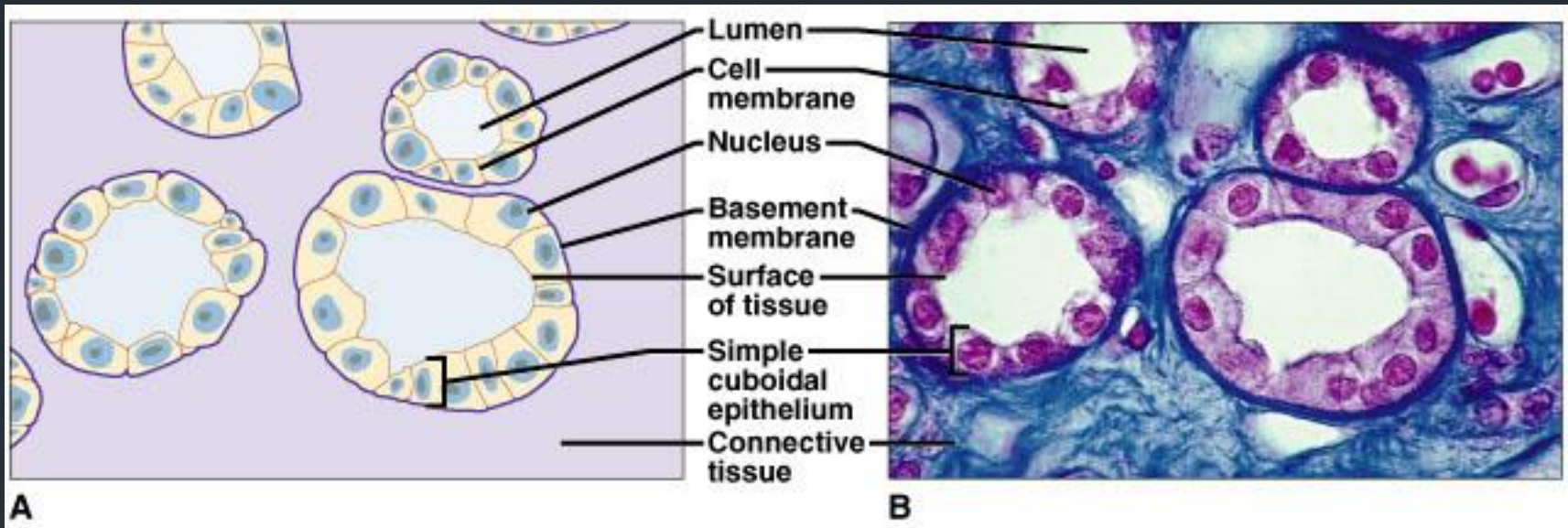
What kind of tissue does this represent?

Simple squamous epithelial tissue (superior view)



What kind of tissue does this represent?

Simple cuboidal epithelial tissue



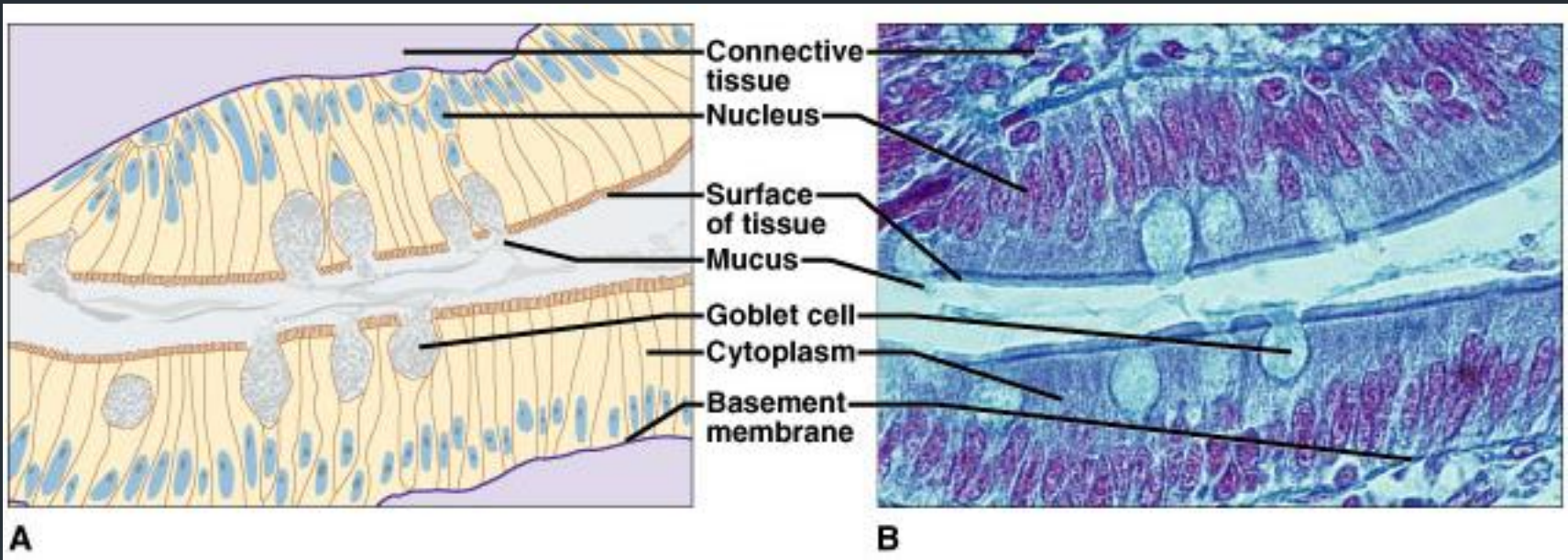
Where in the body would you find this tissue?

Kidneys (tubules)

The lining of the kidney glomerulus (sing.)/glomeruli (pl.) is simple squamous epithelial tissue

What kind of tissue does this represent?

Simple columnar epithelial tissue



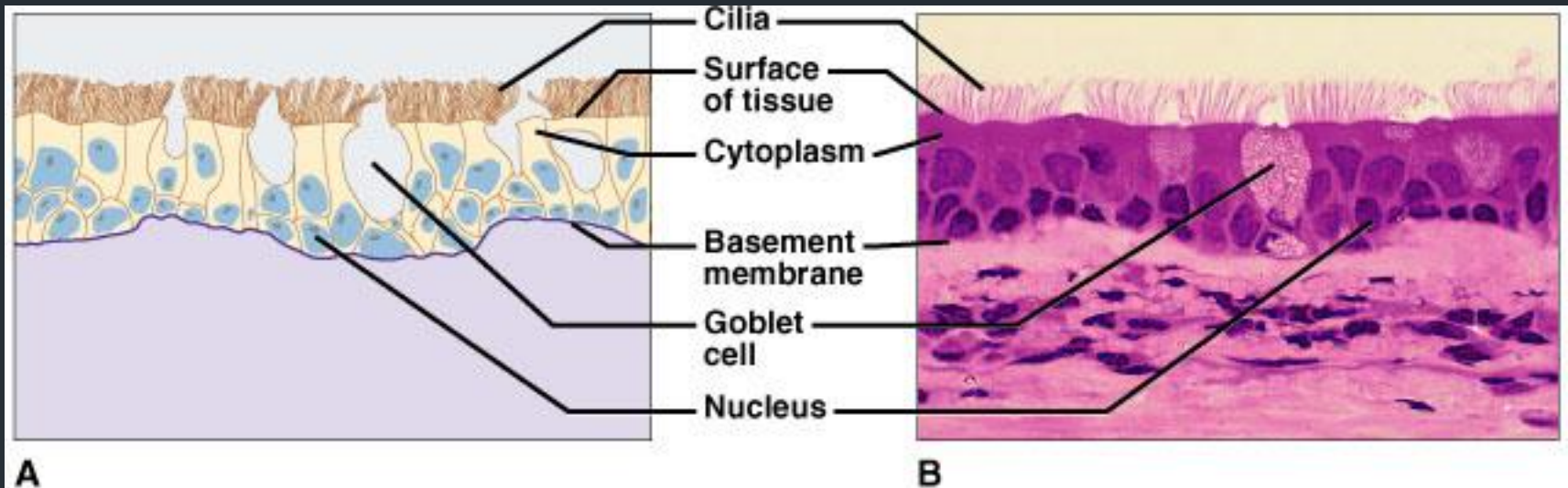
Where in the body would you find this tissue?

small intestine

What kind of tissue does this represent?

Pseudostratified (ciliated) columnar epithelial tissue

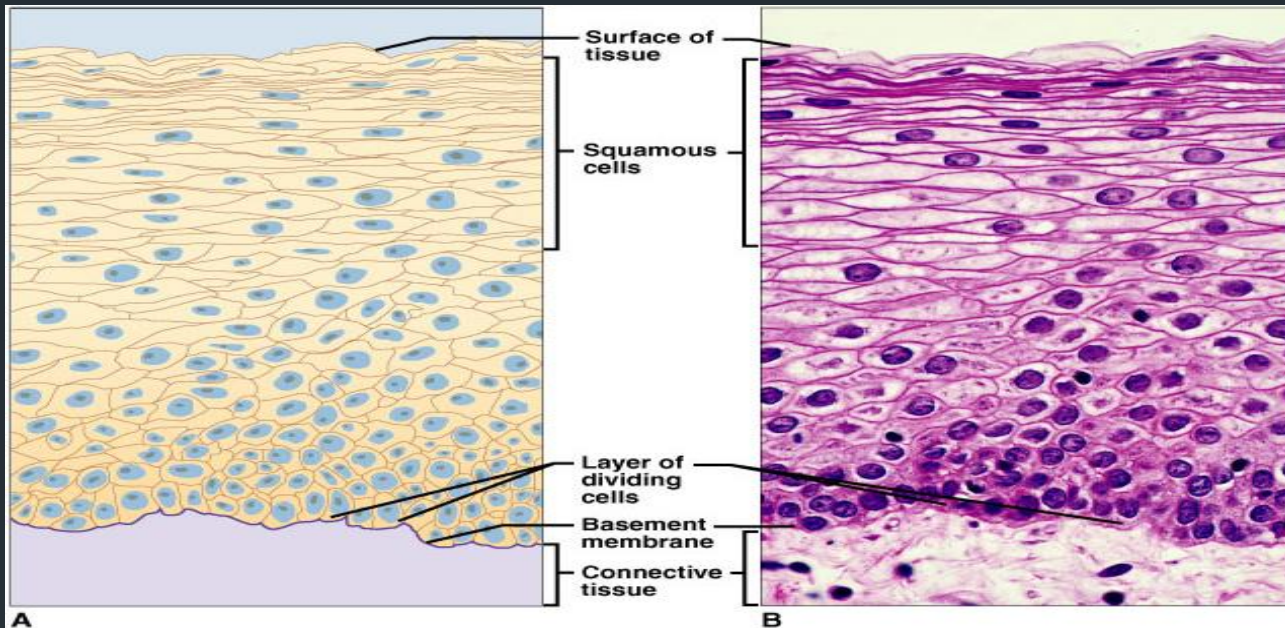
“false layered”; it looks like more than one layer, but it is not



Where in the body would you find this tissue?

trachea lining

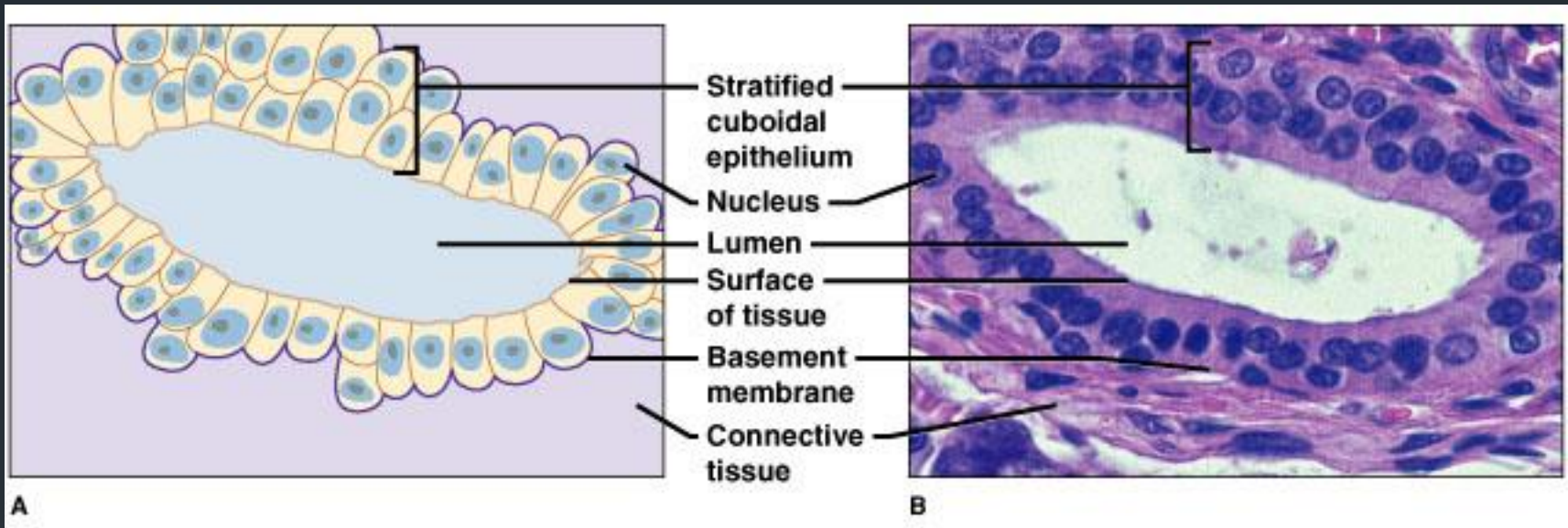
What kind of tissue does this represent?
Stratified squamous epithelial tissue



Where in the body would you find this tissue?
mouth lining

What kind of tissue does this represent?

Stratified cuboidal epithelial tissue

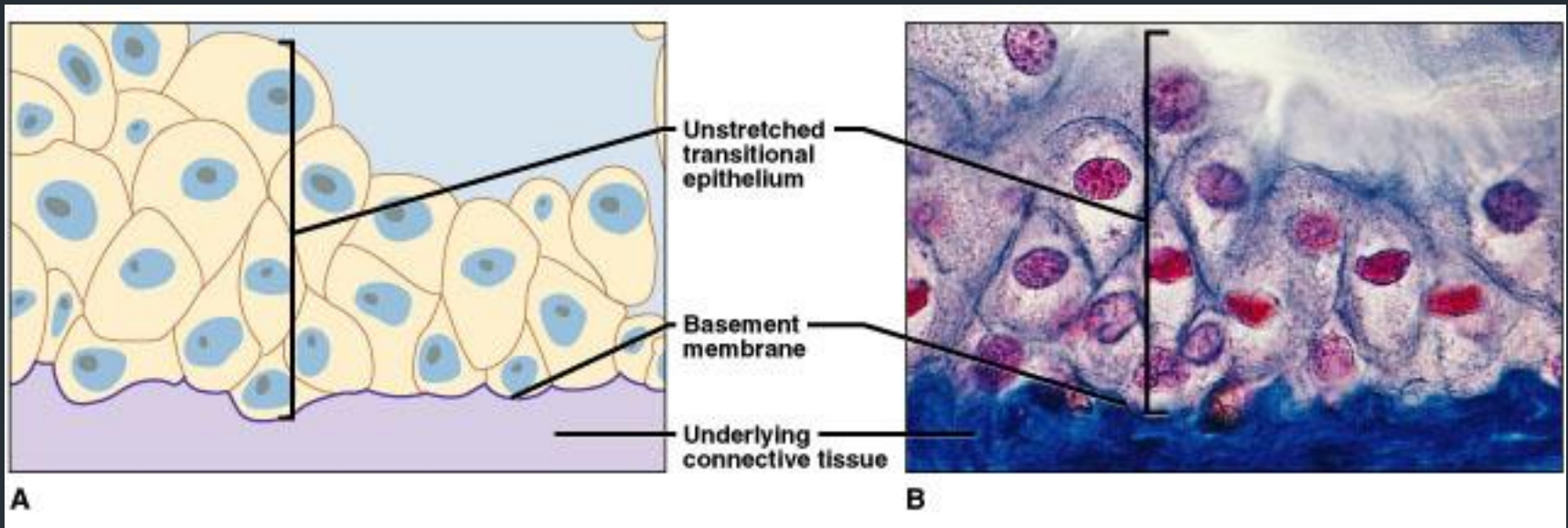


Where in the body would you find this tissue?

salivary glands, sweat glands

What kind of tissue does this represent?

Transitional epithelial tissue

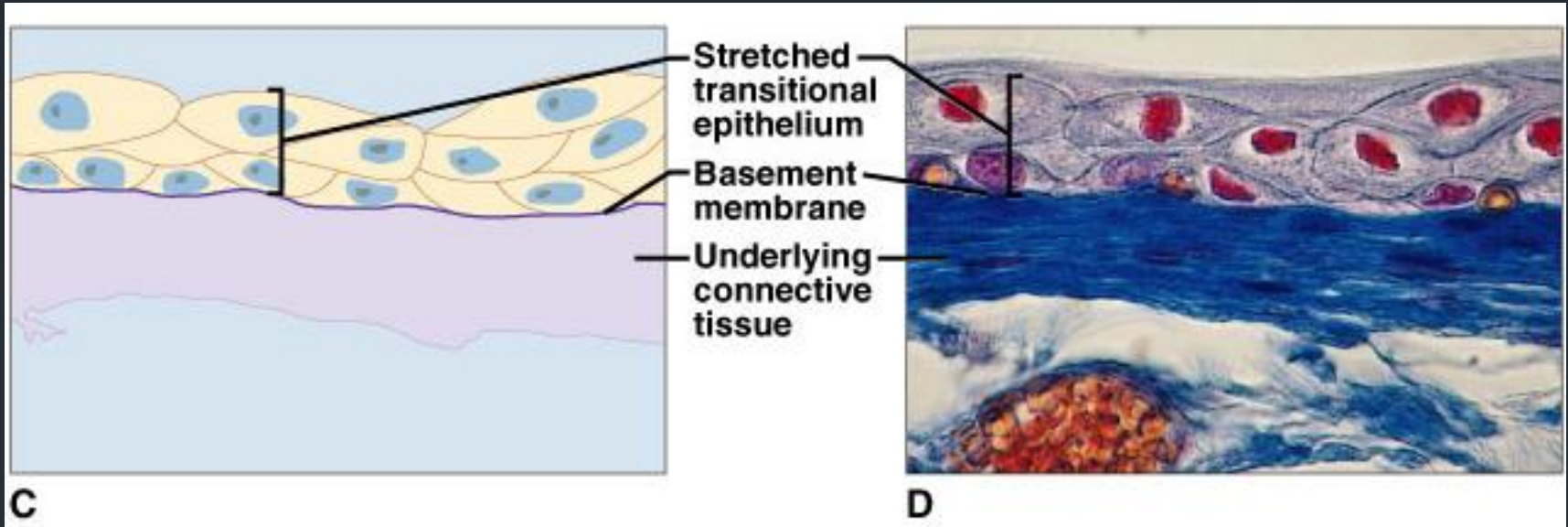


Where in the body would you find this tissue?

empty bladder

What kind of tissue does this represent?

Transitional epithelial tissue



Where in the body would you find this tissue?

distended (full) bladder



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