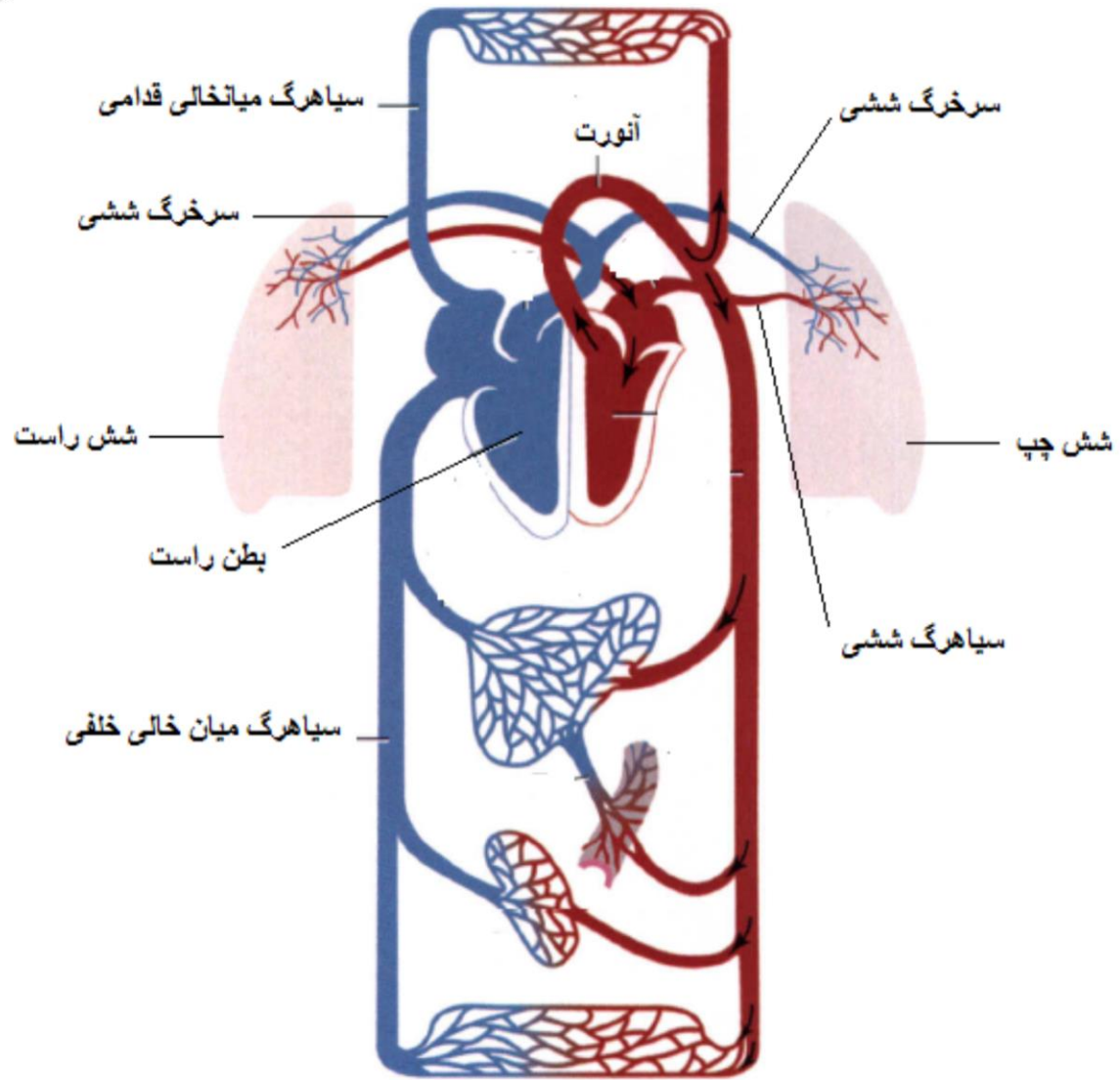
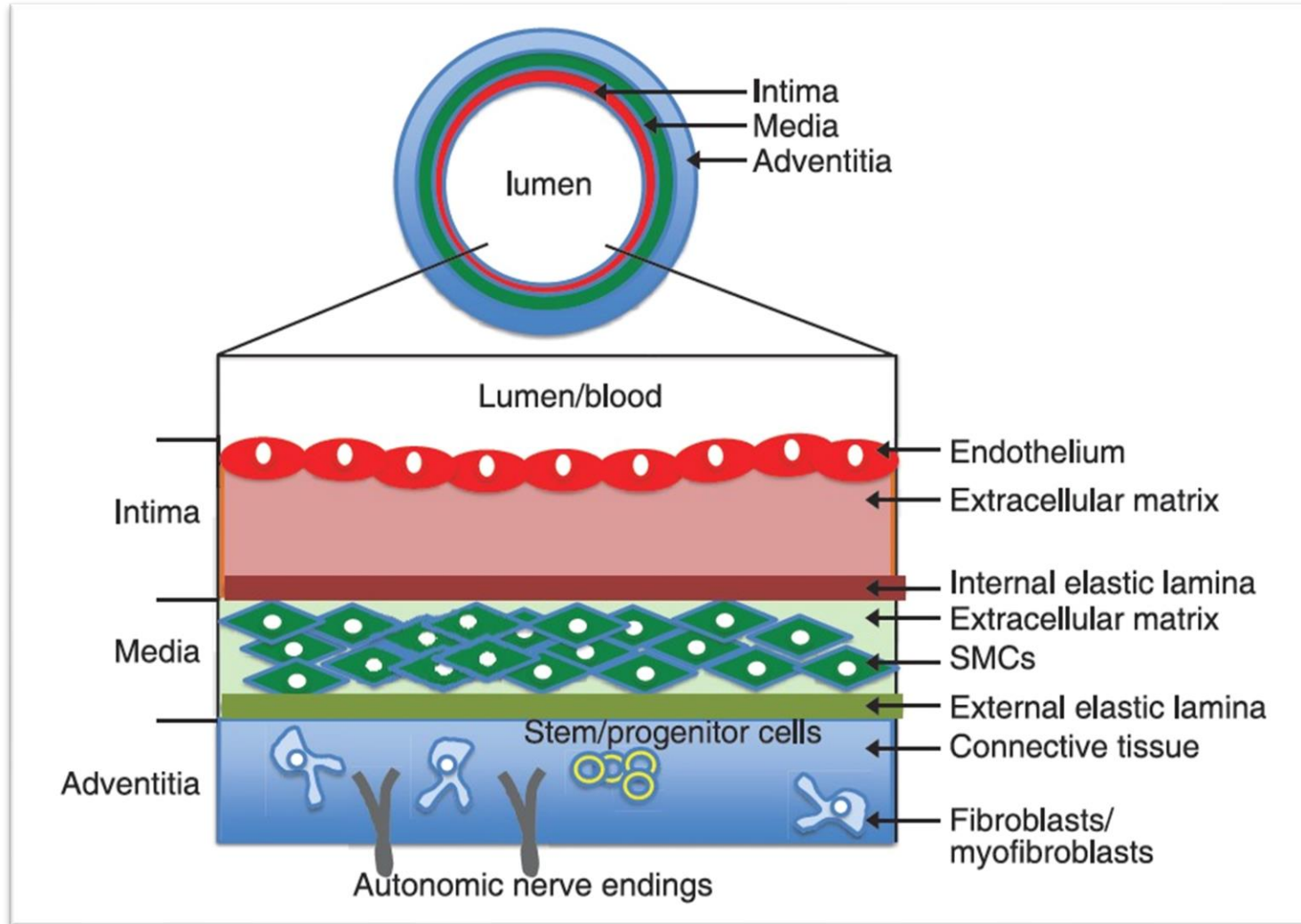


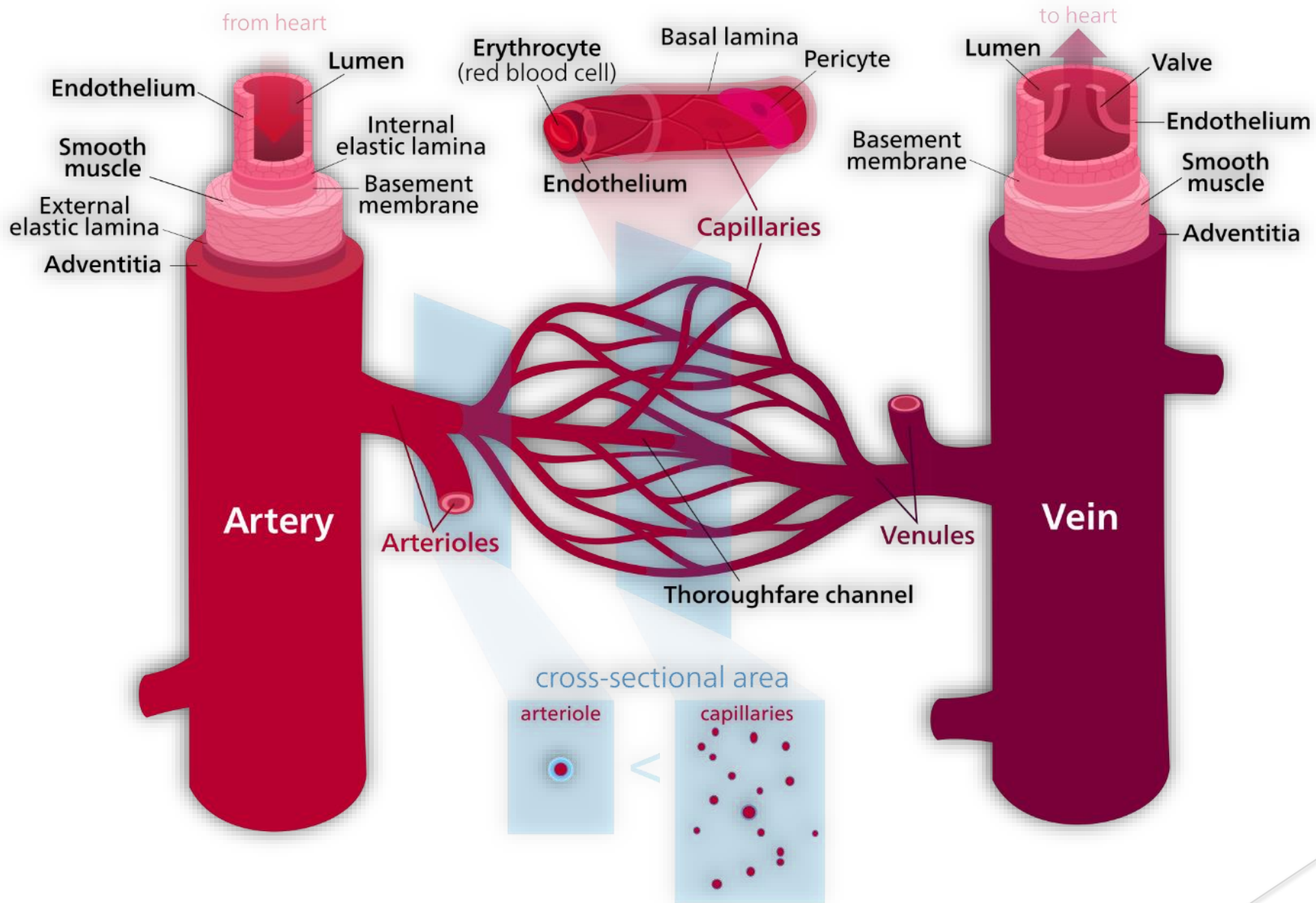
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Vessels Layers





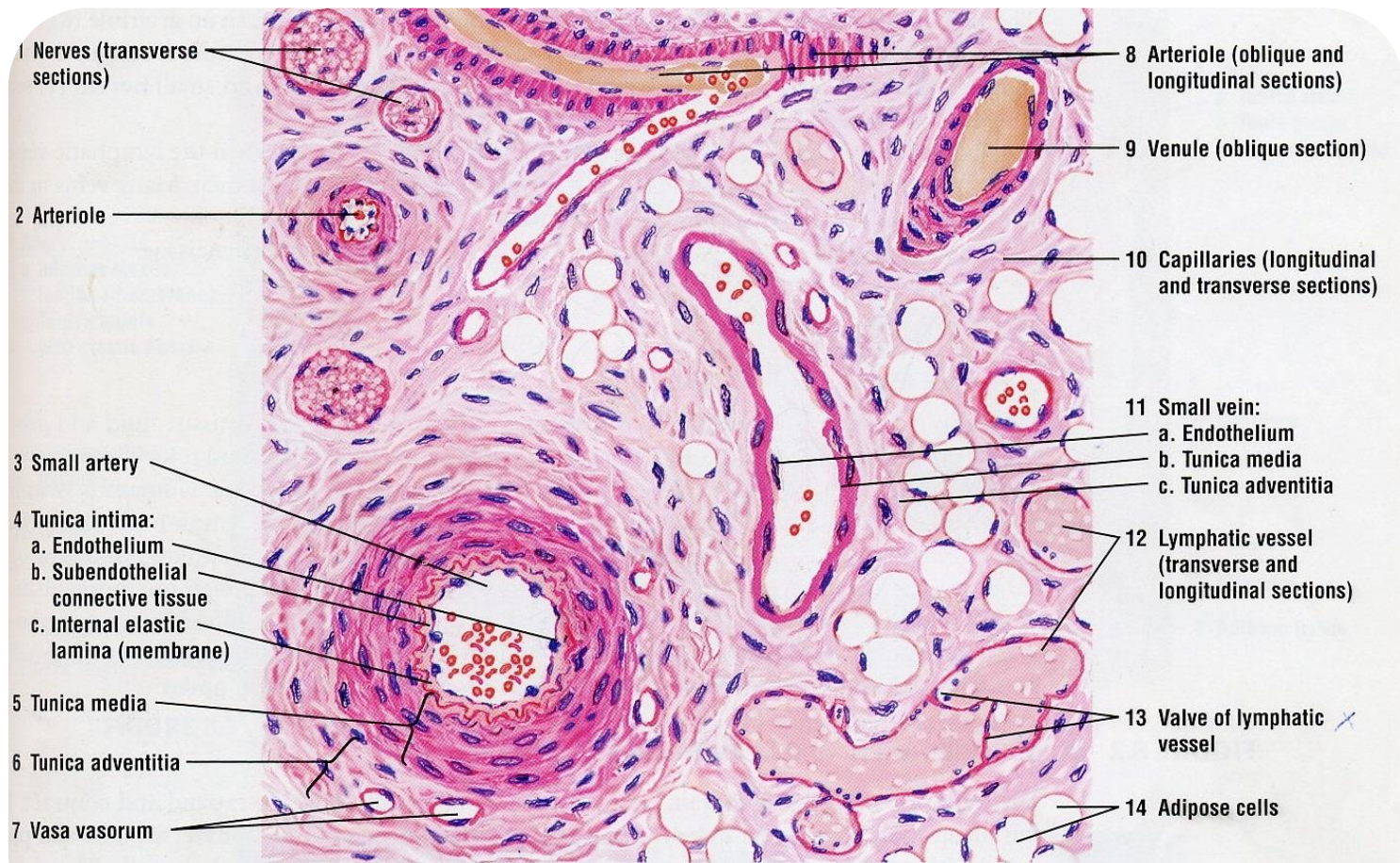
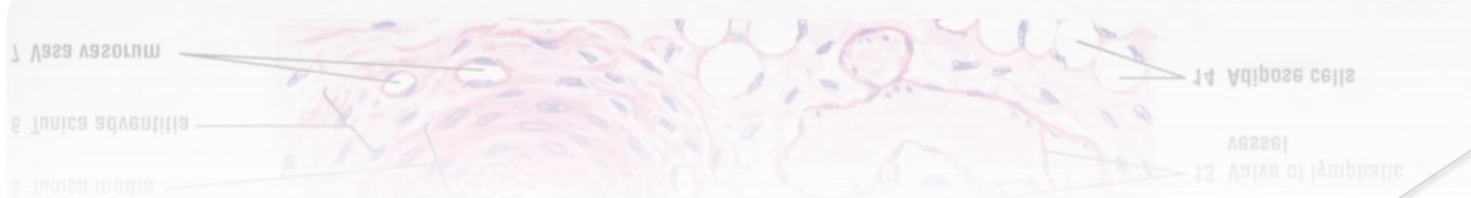
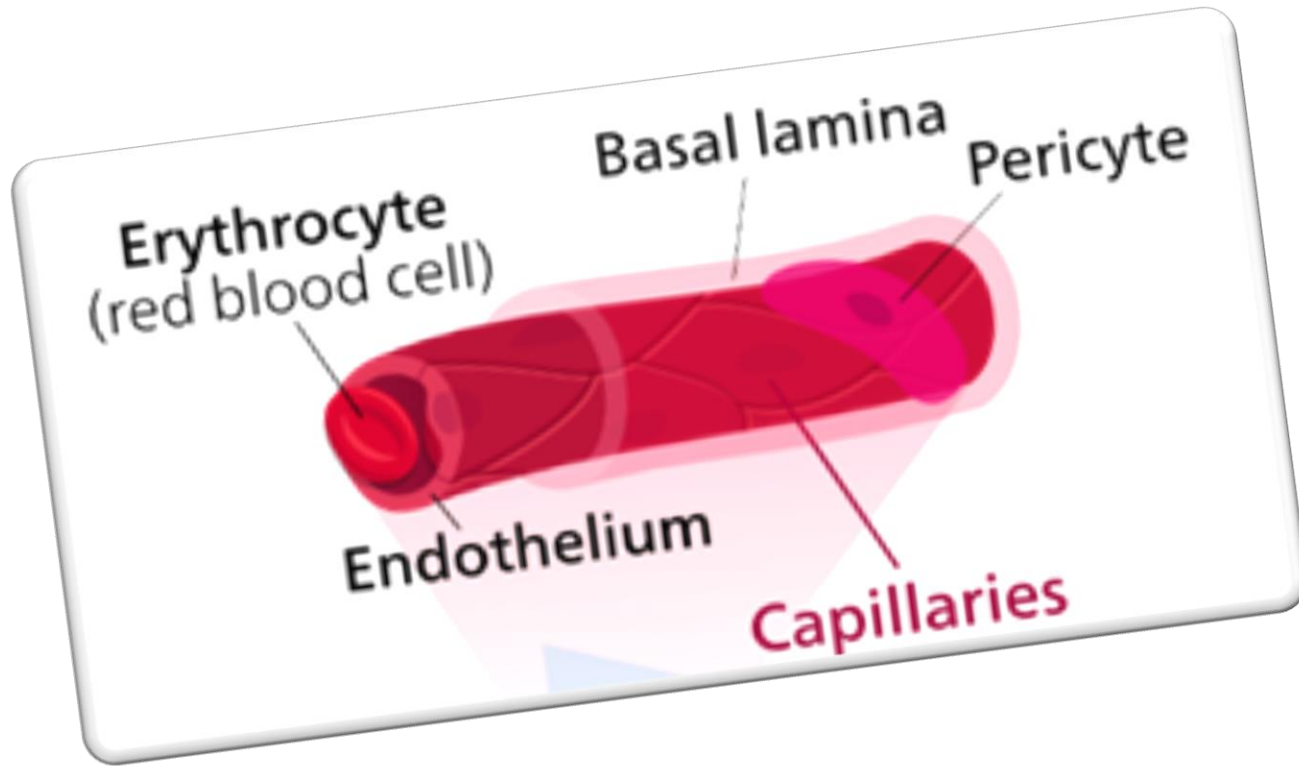


FIGURE 8.1 ■ Blood and lymphatic vessels in the connective tissue. Stain: hematoxylin and eosin. Low magnification.

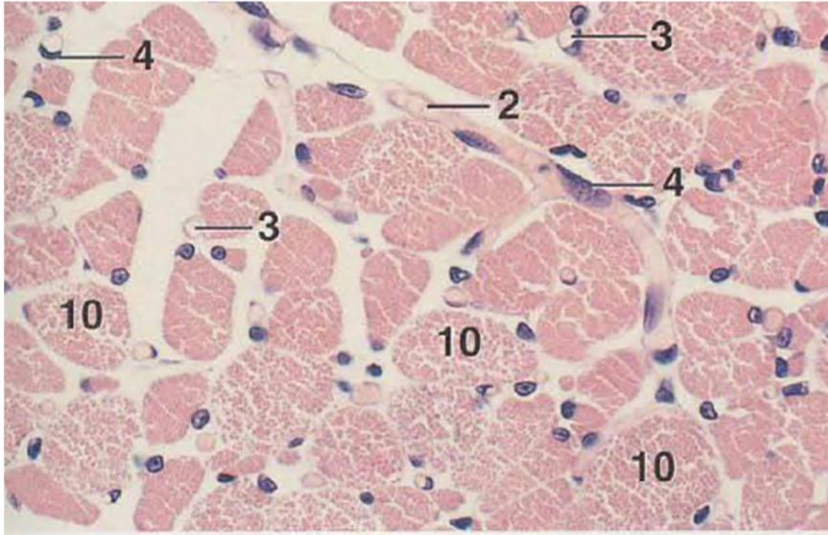
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Capillary



Capillary



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| 1. Arteriole, x.s. | 9. Plasma cell |
| 2. Capillary, l.s. | 10. Skeletal muscle cell, x.s. |
| 3. Capillary, x.s. | 11. Small artery, x.s. |
| 4. Endothelial cell, nucleus | 12. Small vein |
| 5. Endothelial cell, surface cut | 13. Smooth muscle cell, nucleus |
| 6. Erythrocytes | 14. Uterine gland |
| 7. Macrophage | 15. Venule |
| 8. Mast cell | |

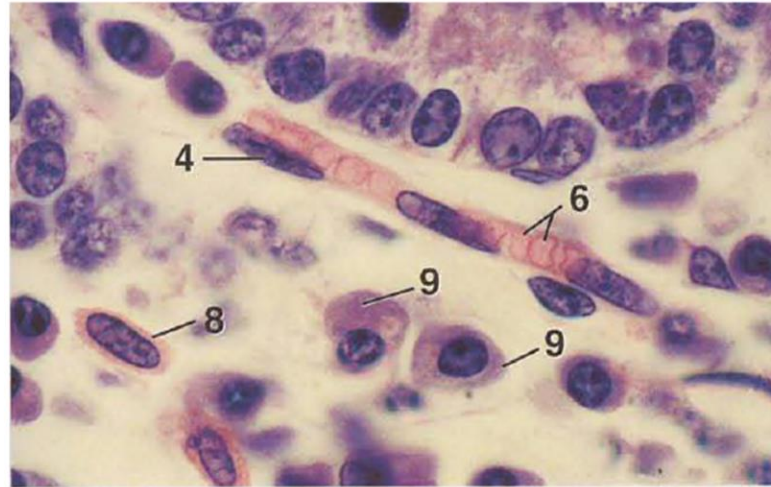


Figure 10.2

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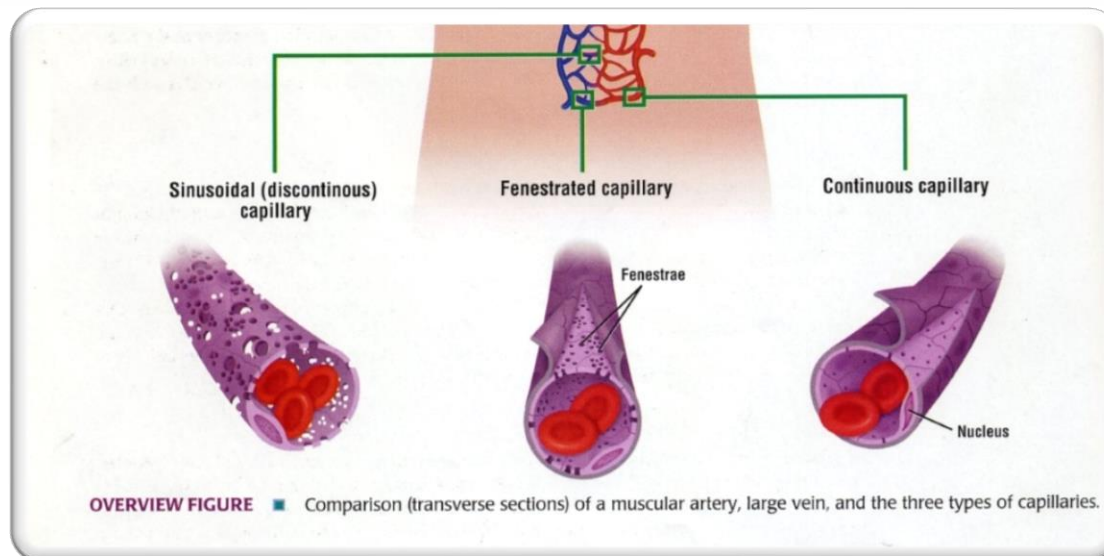
Types of Capillaries

Capillaries are the smallest blood vessels. Their average diameter is approximately 8 μm , which is about the size of an **erythrocyte** (red blood cell). The human body contains three types of capillaries: continuous capillaries, fenestrated capillaries, and sinusoids. These structural variations allow different types of metabolic exchange between the blood and the surrounding tissues.

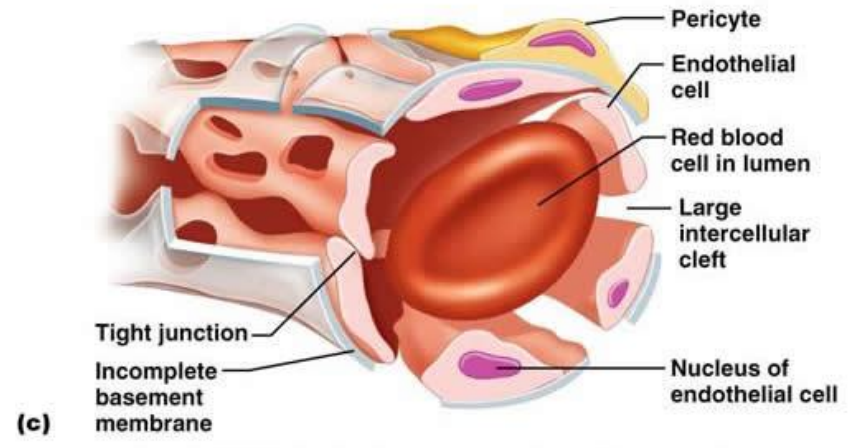
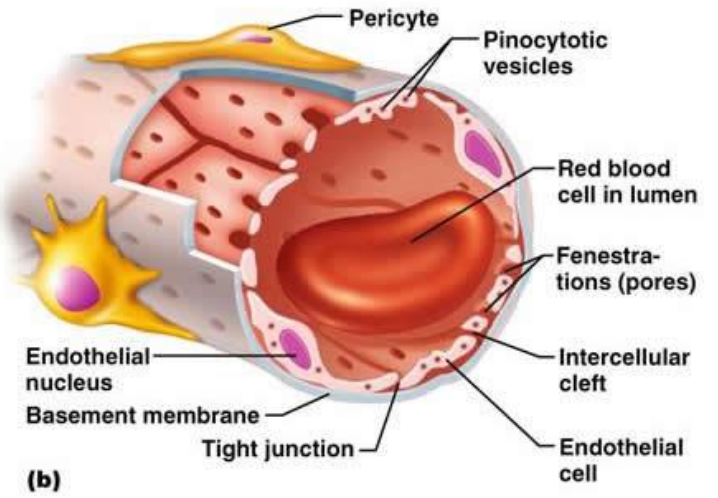
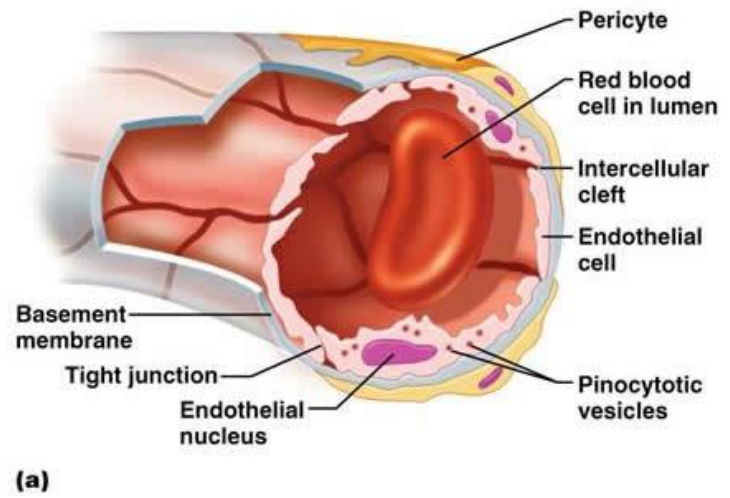
Continuous capillaries are the most common type. They are found in muscle, connective tissue, nervous tissue, and exocrine glands. In these capillaries, the **endothelial cells** are joined and form an uninterrupted, solid endothelial lining.

Fenestrated capillaries are characterized by large openings, or **fenestrations** (pores), in the cytoplasm of endothelial cells for rapid exchange of molecules between blood and tissues. Fenestrated capillaries are found in endocrine organs, small intestine, and kidney glomeruli.

Sinusoidal (discontinuous) capillaries are blood vessels that exhibit irregular, tortuous paths. Their much wider diameters slow the flow of blood. Endothelial cell junctions are rare in sinusoidal capillaries, and wide gaps exist between individual endothelial cells. Also, because a **basement membrane** underlying the endothelium is either incomplete or absent, direct exchange of molecules occurs between blood contents and cells. Sinusoidal capillaries are found in the liver, spleen, and bone marrow (see the overview figure).


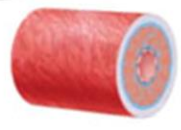
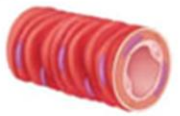





Types of Capillaries



Artery

TABLE 20.1 Summary of Blood Vessel Anatomy

Vessel Type/Illustration*	Average Lumen Diameter (D) and Wall Thickness (T)	Relative Tissue Makeup			
		Endothelium	Elastic Tissues	Smooth Muscles	Fibrous (Collagenous) Tissues
 Elastic artery	D: 1.5 cm T: 1.0 mm	Low	High	High	Low
 Muscular artery	D: 6.0 mm T: 1.0 mm	Low	Low	High	High
 Arteriole	D: 37.0 μm T: 6.0 μm	Low	Low	High	High
 Capillary	D: 9.0 μm T: 0.5 μm	High	None	None	None
 Venule	D: 20.0 μm T: 1.0 μm	High	None	Low	High
 Vein	D: 5.0 mm T: 0.5 mm	High	None	Low	High

*Size relationships are not proportional. Smaller vessels are drawn relatively larger so detail can be seen. See column 2 for actual dimensions.

Artery

Elastic Artery (Large artery)

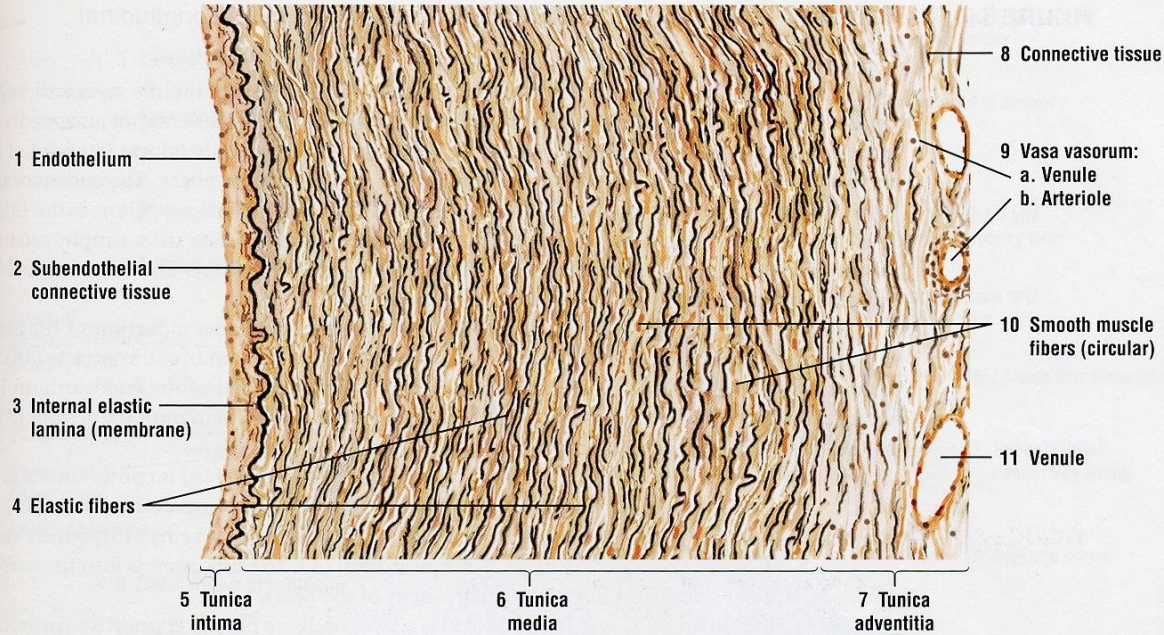


FIGURE 8.4 ■ Wall of an elastic artery: aorta (transverse section). Stain: elastic stain. Low magnification.

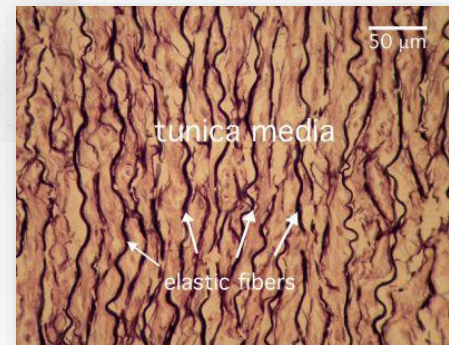


FIGURE 8.4 ■ Wall of an elastic artery: aorta (transverse section). Stain: elastic stain. Low magnification.

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Artery

Muscular Artery (Middle sized artery)

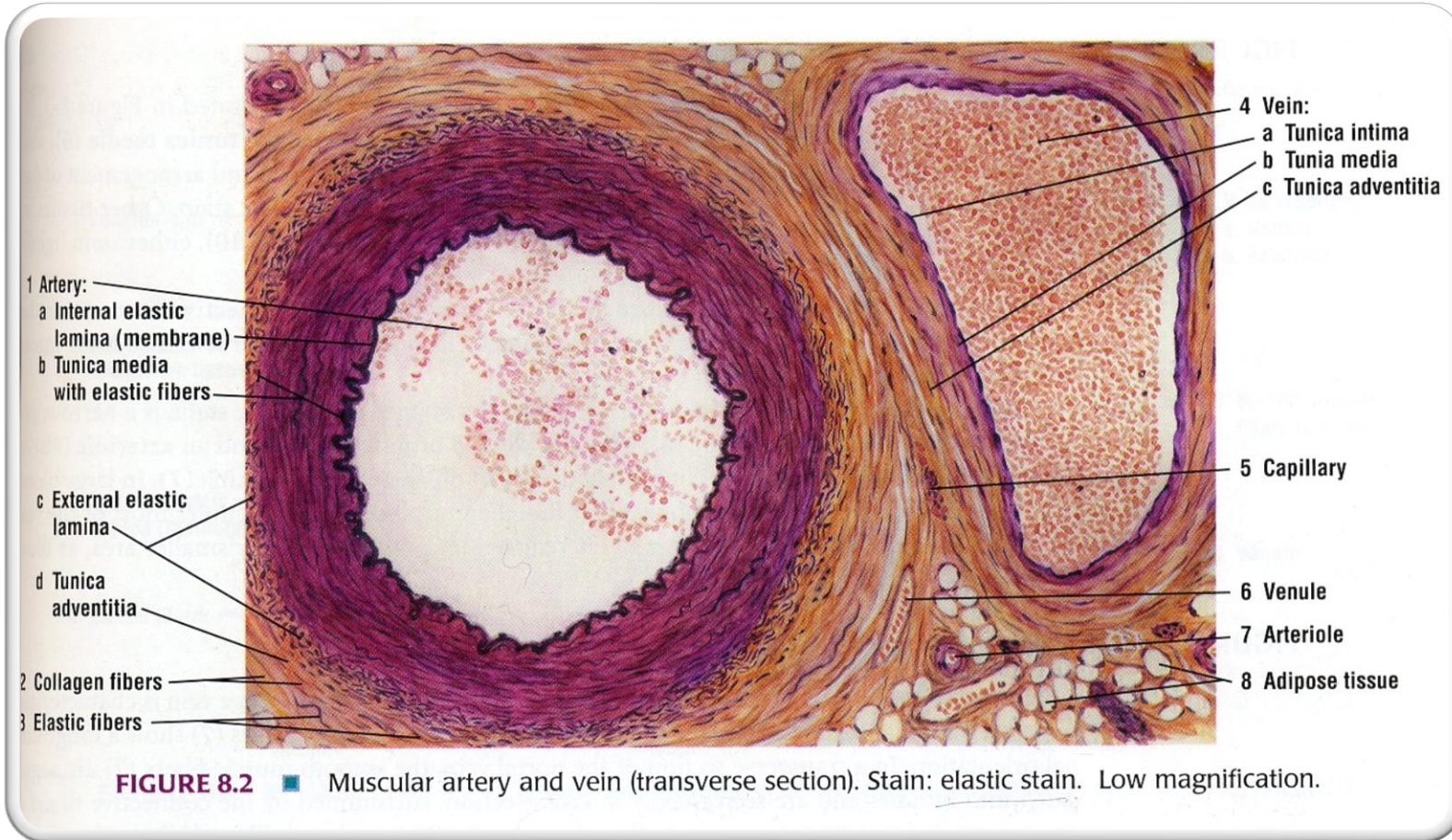
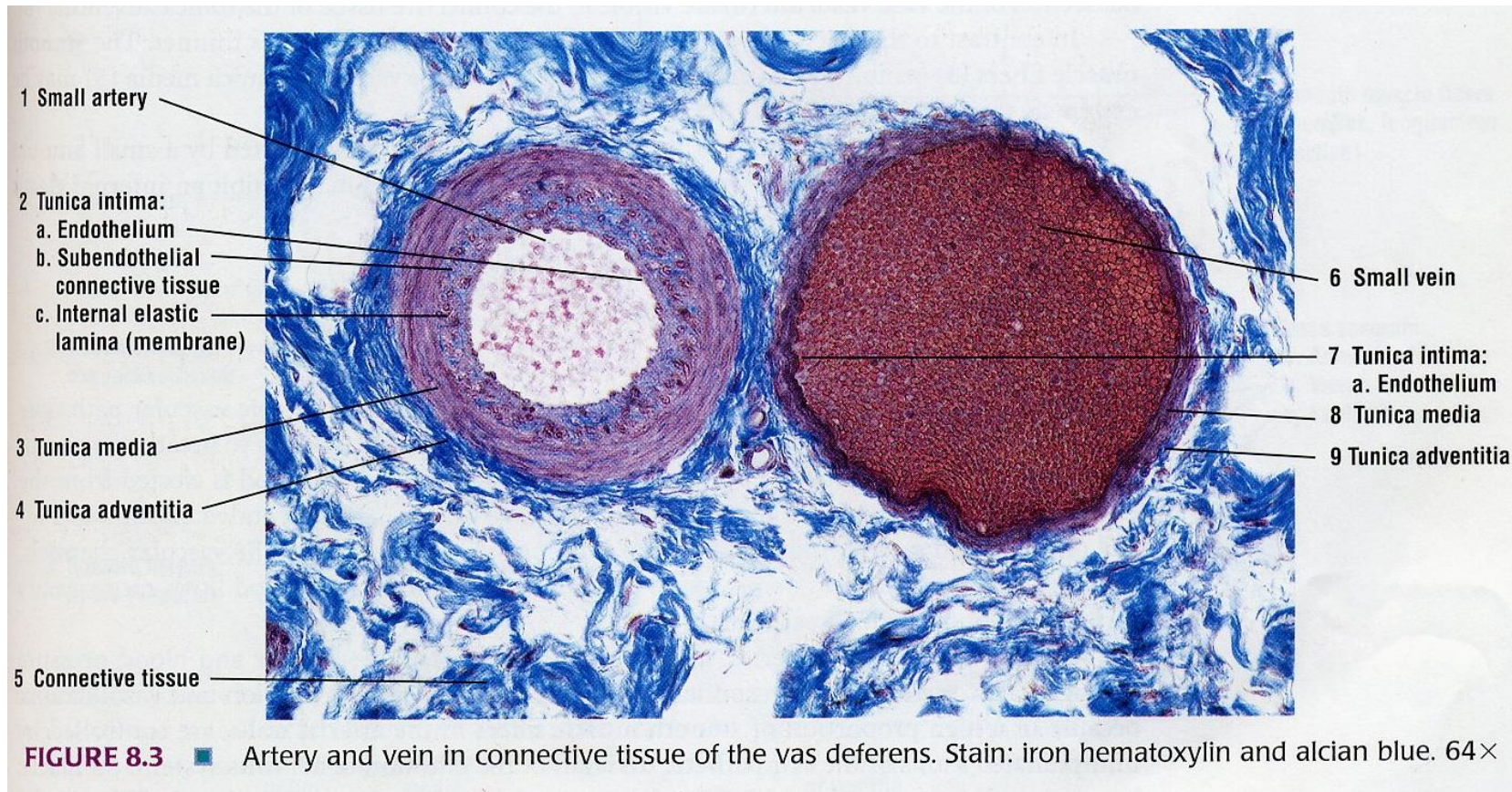


FIGURE 8.2 ■ Muscular artery and vein (transverse section). Stain: elastic stain. Low magnification.



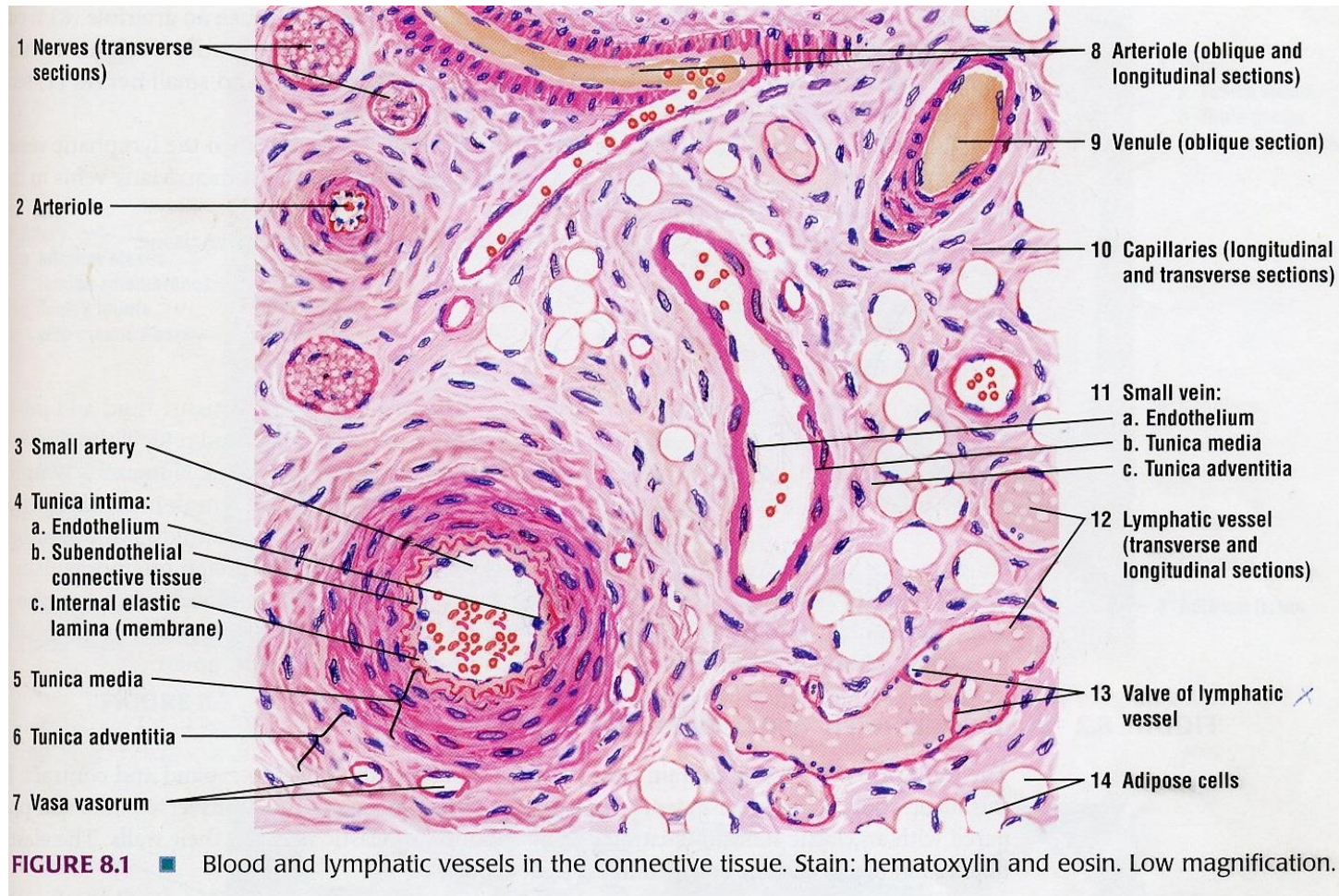
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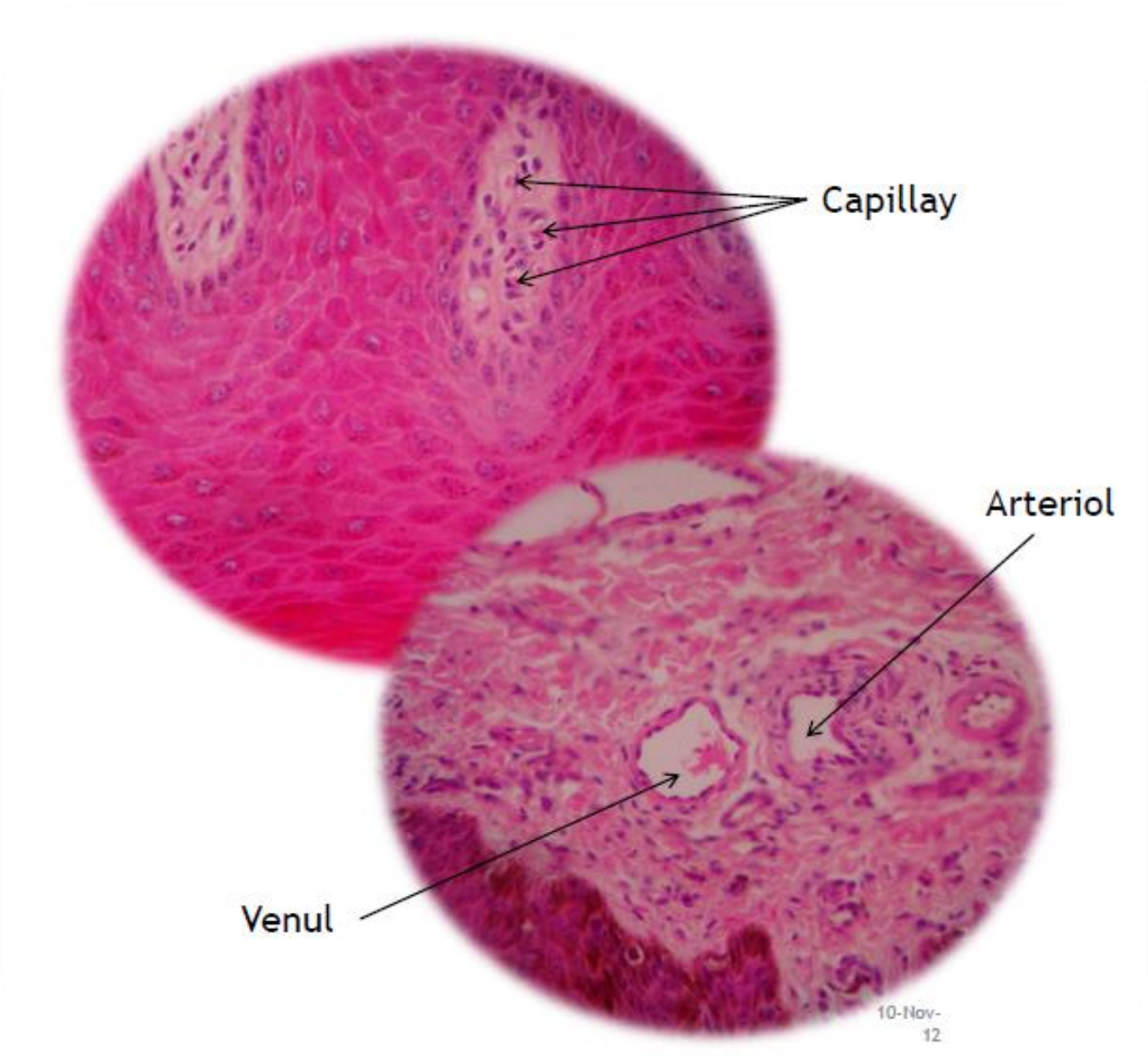
Muscular Artery (Middle sized artery)



Artery

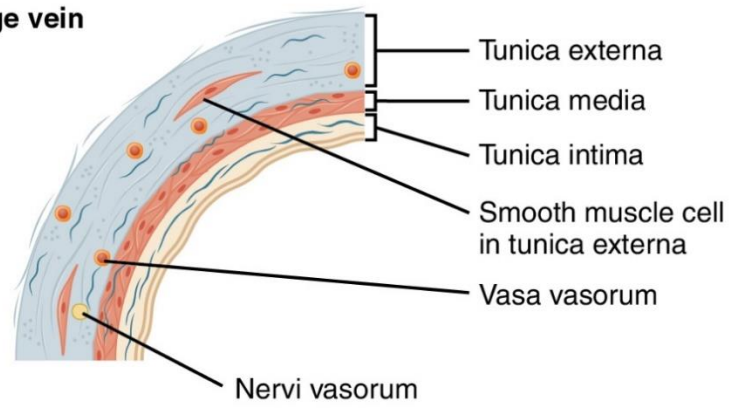
Muscular Artery



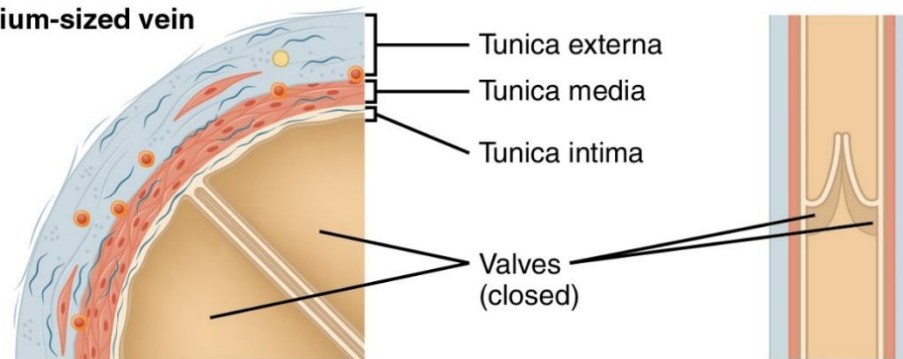


Veins

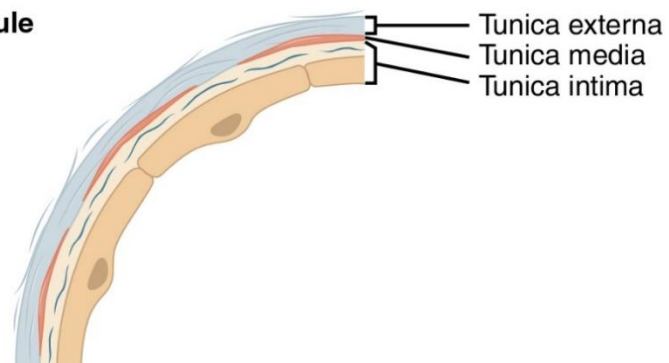
Large vein

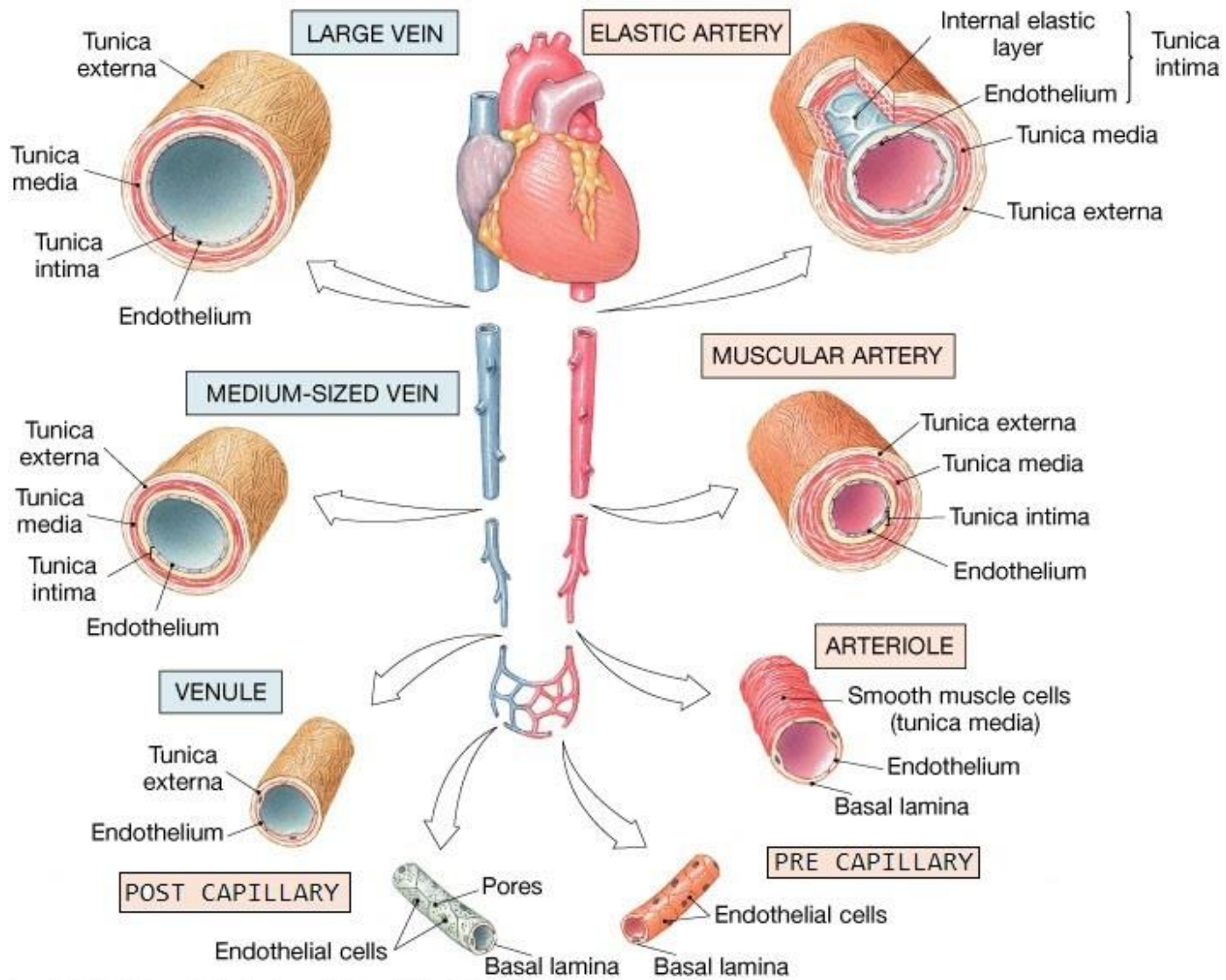


Medium-sized vein



Venule





Comparison of companion artery and vein

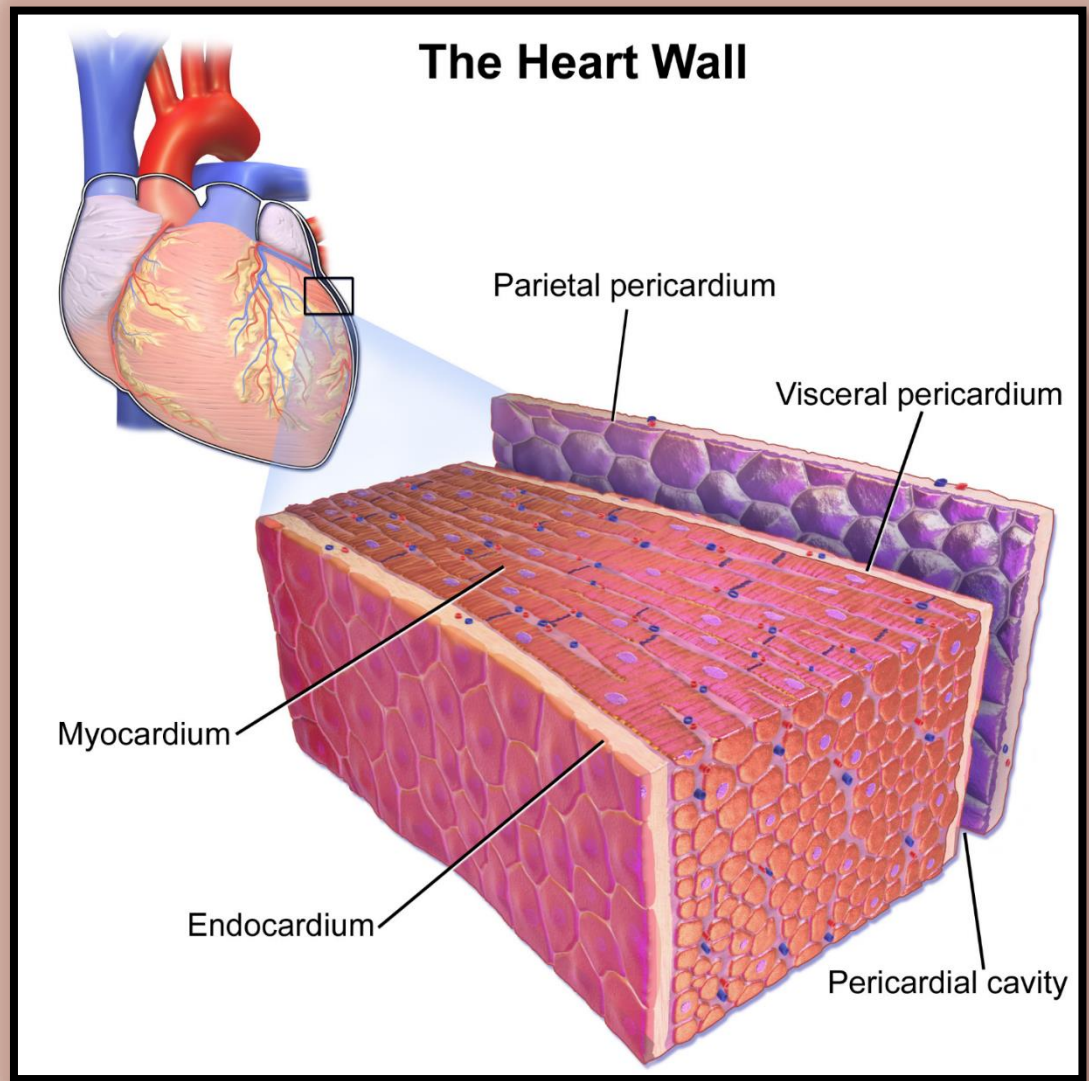
Artery: smaller, round, thick wall

Vein: Larger, irregular shape, thin wall

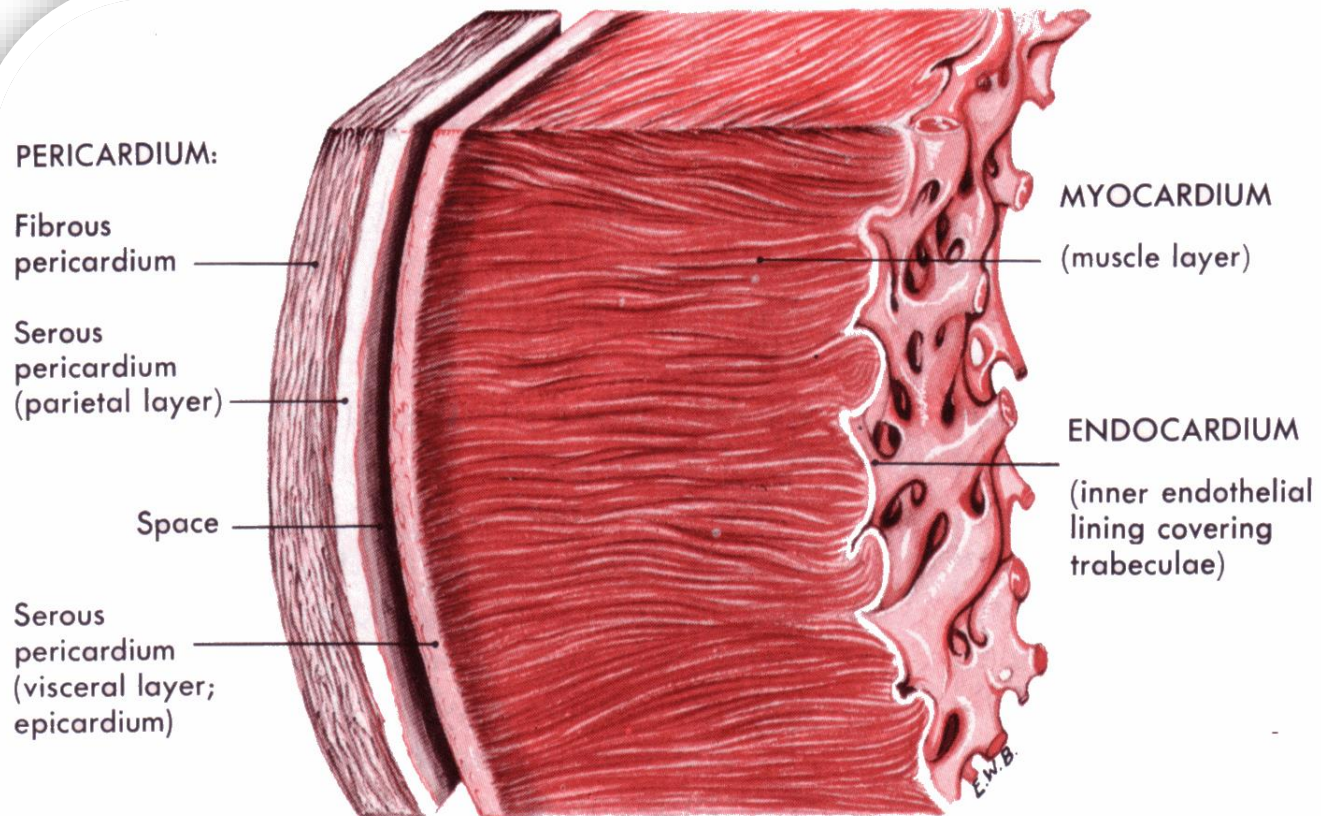


· Femoral artery and vein

Heart



Endocardium



Section of the heart wall showing the components of the outer pericardium (heart sac), muscle layer (myocardium), and inner lining (endocardium).



Good Luck