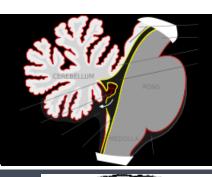


New Terms: Brain Division





Telencephalon

-Cerebral Cortex

–Limbic system

-Basal Ganglia



Diencephalon

Thalamus Hypothalamus Epithalamus



Mesencephalon



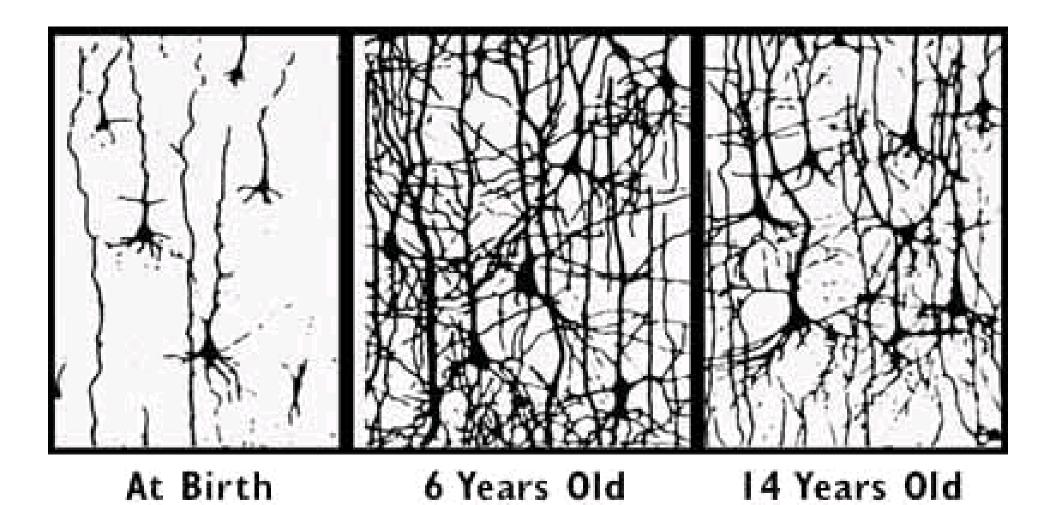
Metencephalon Pons:

cerebellum
portion of the fourth
ventricle;
trigeminal nerve
(CN V), abducens
nerve (CN VI), facial
nerve (CN VII), and a
portion of the
vestibulocochlear
nerve (CN VIII).



Myelencephalon

Medulla



Synaptic Density in the Human Brain

Key words that you need to know

Cerebrum :

- Cerebral hemispheres
- Longitudinal fissures
- Cerebral cortex
- Sulcus
- Gyri
- all lobes
- Gyruses
- Insula
- Cerebral white matter
- Corpus callosum
- Fornix
- Septum pellucidum
- ventricles

•Cerebellum

- Transverse fissure
- Vermis
- •Cerebellar hemispheres
- Arbor vitae

Cranial nerves

- Olfactive
- Olfactive bulbs
- Olfactory tracts
- Optic nerves
- Optic chiasma
- Oculomotor nerves
- Trigeminal nerves

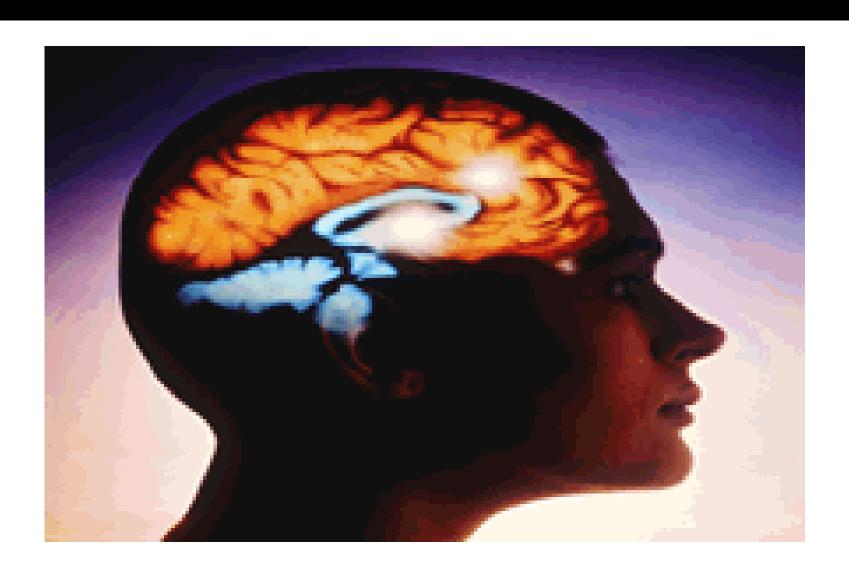
Diecephalon

- Thalmus
- Hypothalamus
- Intermediate mass
- Mamillary bodies
- Pituitary gland
- Infundibulum
- Choroid plexus
- 3rd ventricle
- Csf

Brain stem

- Midbrain
- Tectum
- Corpora quadregemina
- Superior and inferior colliculi
- Pons
- Nuclei
- Medulla oblongata [medulla]
- Cerebral aquaduct
- 4th ventricle

Cerebrum



Cerebrum - The largest division of the brain.

- •The cerebrum is divided in to two hemispheres, the right and left hemispheres each of which is divided into four lobes
- •The dividing point is a deep grove called **the longitudal cerebral fissure**.
- •The different sides of the cerebrum do different things for the opposite sides of the body.
- •The right side of the cerebrum controls things such as imagination and 3-D forms.
- •The other side of the brain, the left side, controls numbering skills, posture, and reasoning.

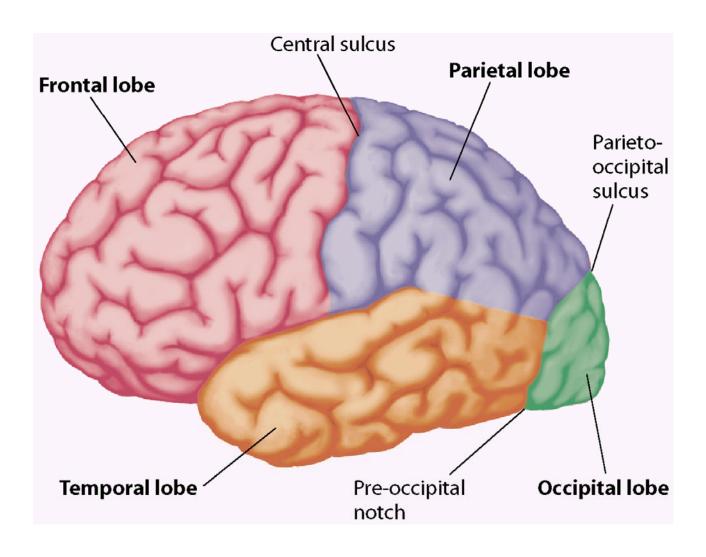
Major Structures of the Cortex

•4 Lobes

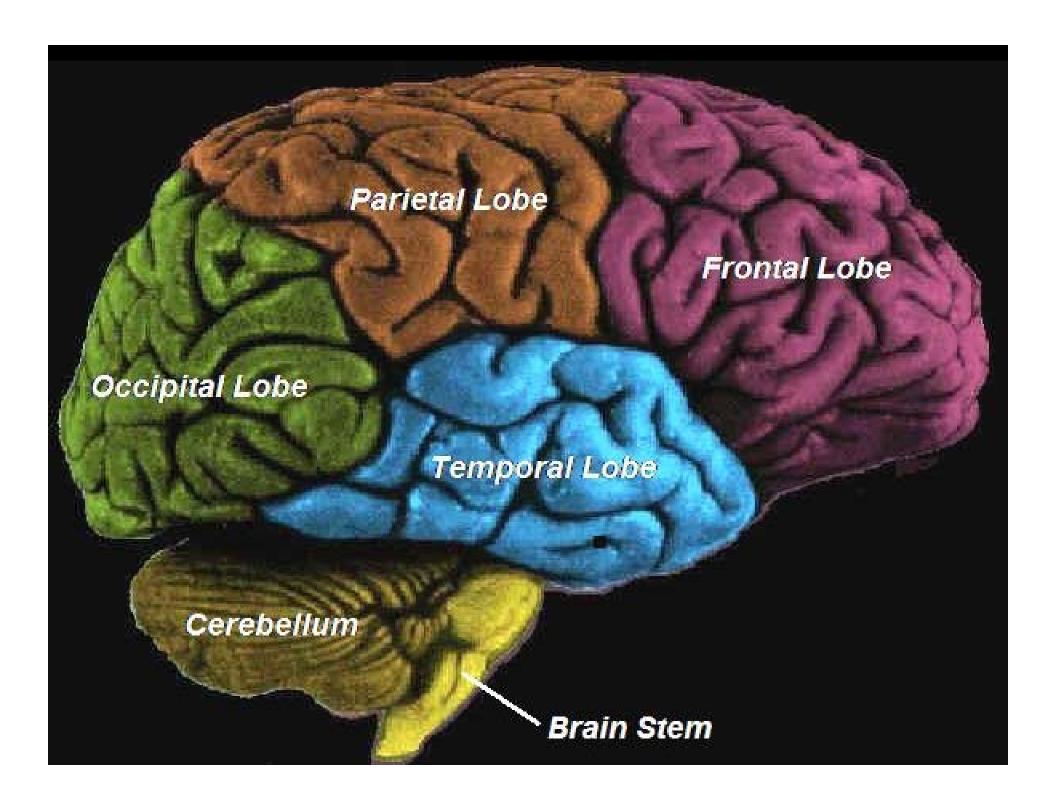
- -Frontal Lobe
- -Parietal Lobe
- -Occipital Lobe
- -Temporal Lobe

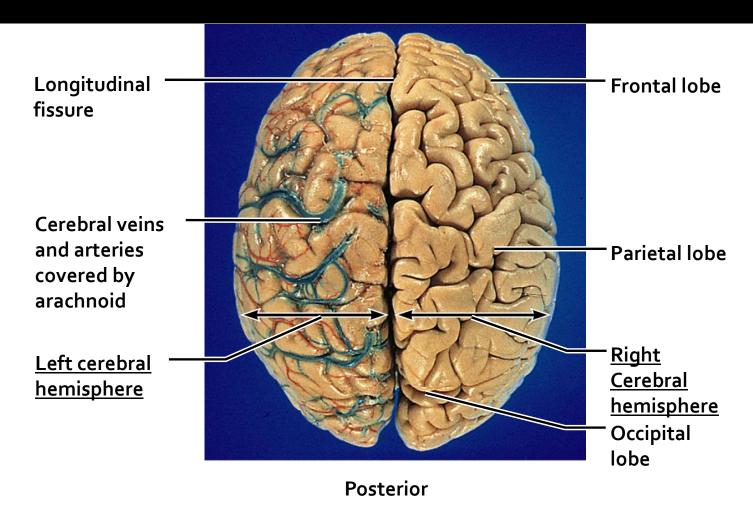
•Major Fissures

- -Central Sulcus
- -Longitudinal Fissure
- -Sylvian Fissure

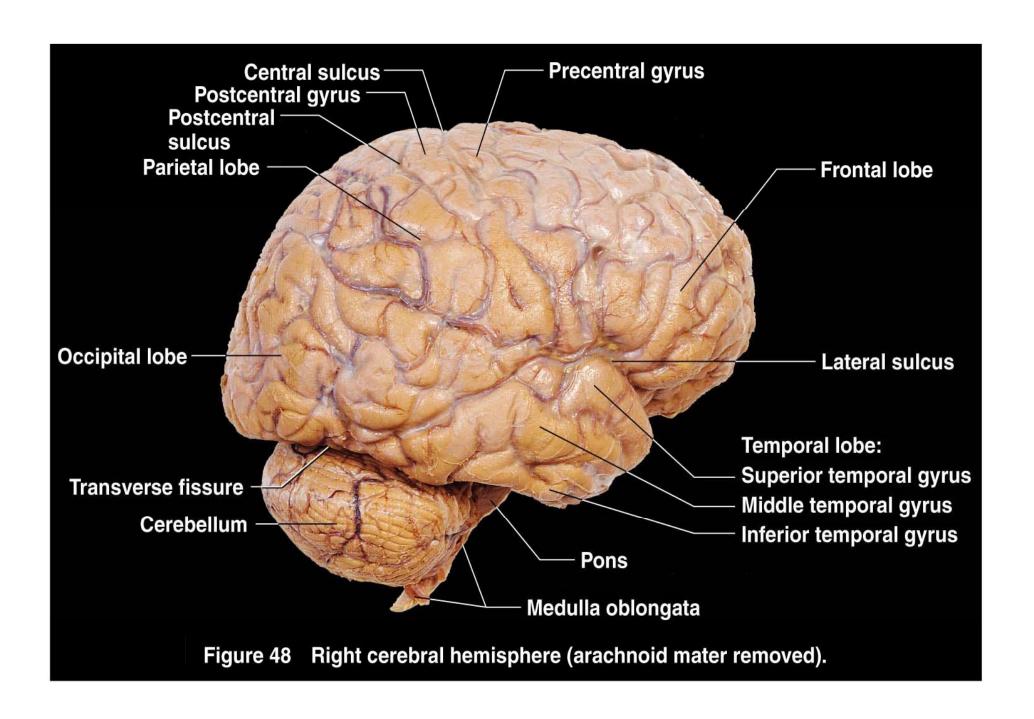


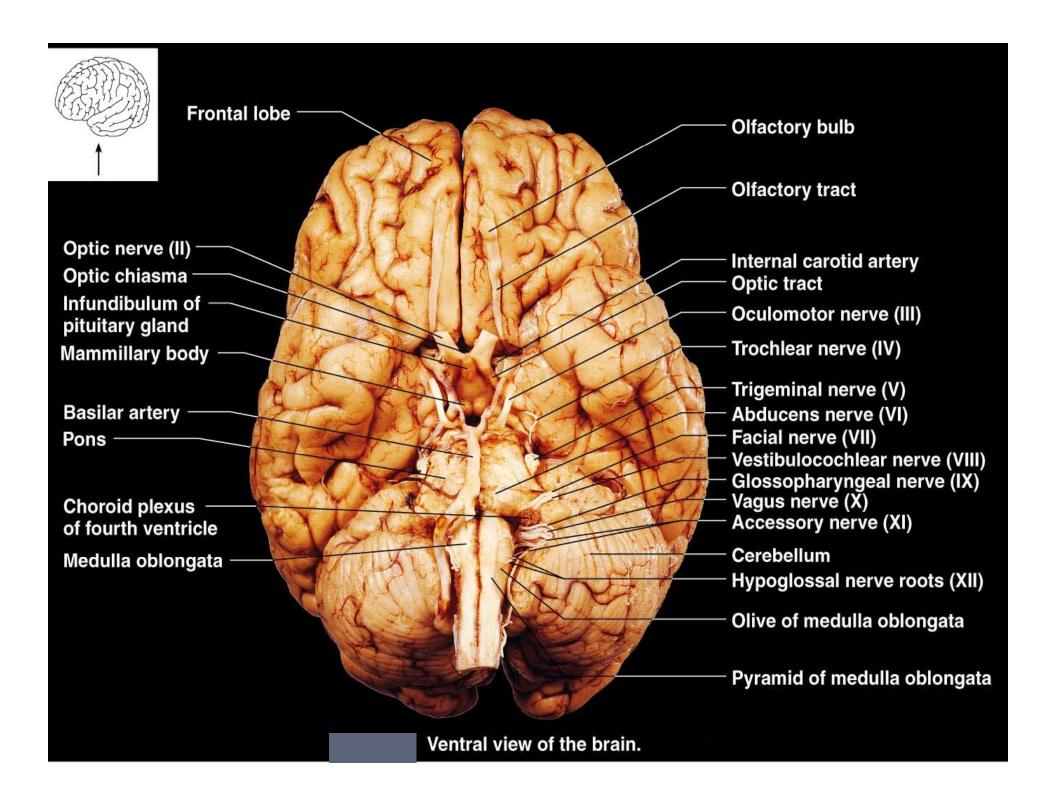
•The lobes are distinguished both structurally and functionally





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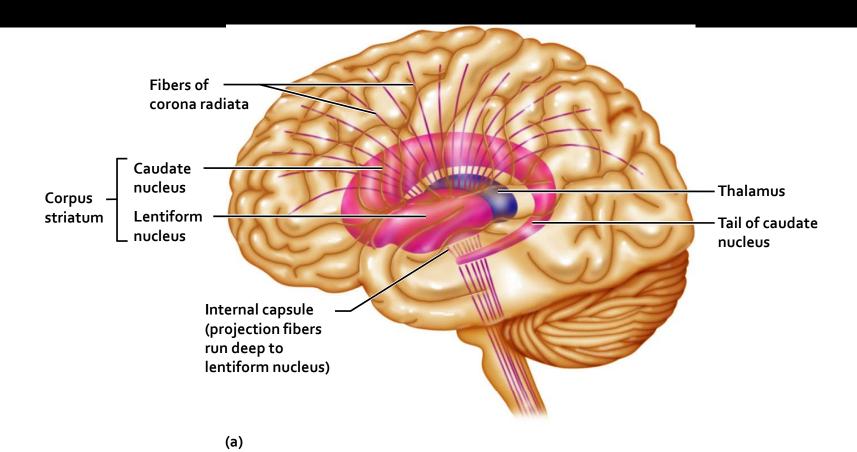


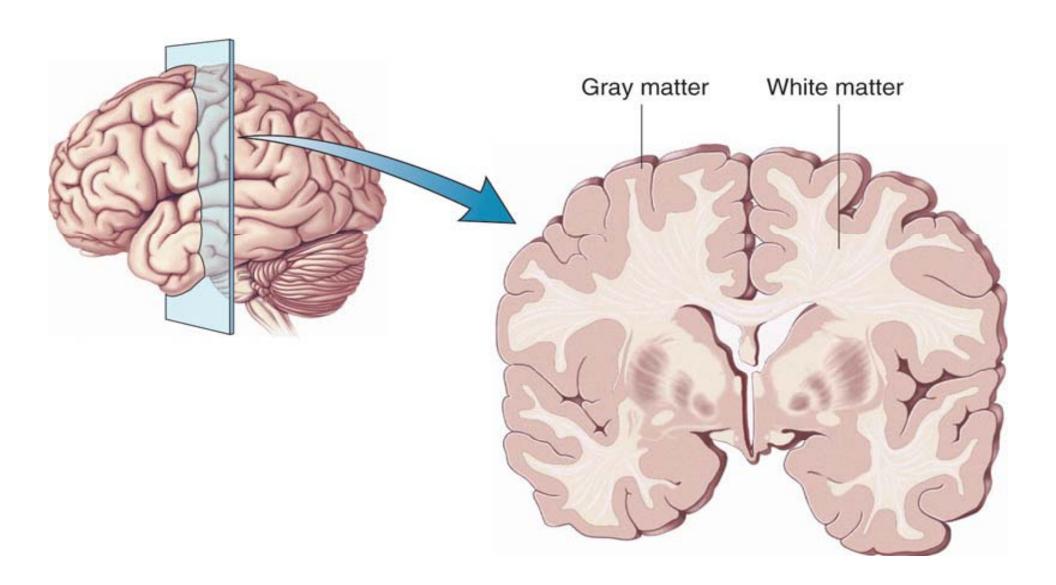


Cerebral hemisphere (hemispherium cerebrale)

- •Is defined as one of the two regions of the brain that are delineated by the body's median plane.
- •The brain can thus be described as being divided into **left** and **right cerebral hemispheres**. Each of these hemispheres has an outer layer of grey matter called the cerebral cortex that is supported by an inner layer of white matter.
- The hemispheres are linked by the corpus callosum, a very large bundle of nerve fibers, and also by other smaller <u>commissures</u>, <u>including the anterior commissure</u>, <u>posterior</u> <u>commissure</u>, <u>and hippocampal commissure</u>.
- •These commissures transfer information between the two hemispheres to coordinate localized functions.
- The architecture, types of cells, types of neurotransmitters and receptor subtypes are all distributed among the two hemispheres in a markedly asymmetric fashion.
- However, it must be noted that, while some of these hemispheric distribution differences are consistent across human beings, or even across some species, many observable distribution differences vary from individual to individual within a given species.

Figure 12.11a: Basal nuclei, p. 444.

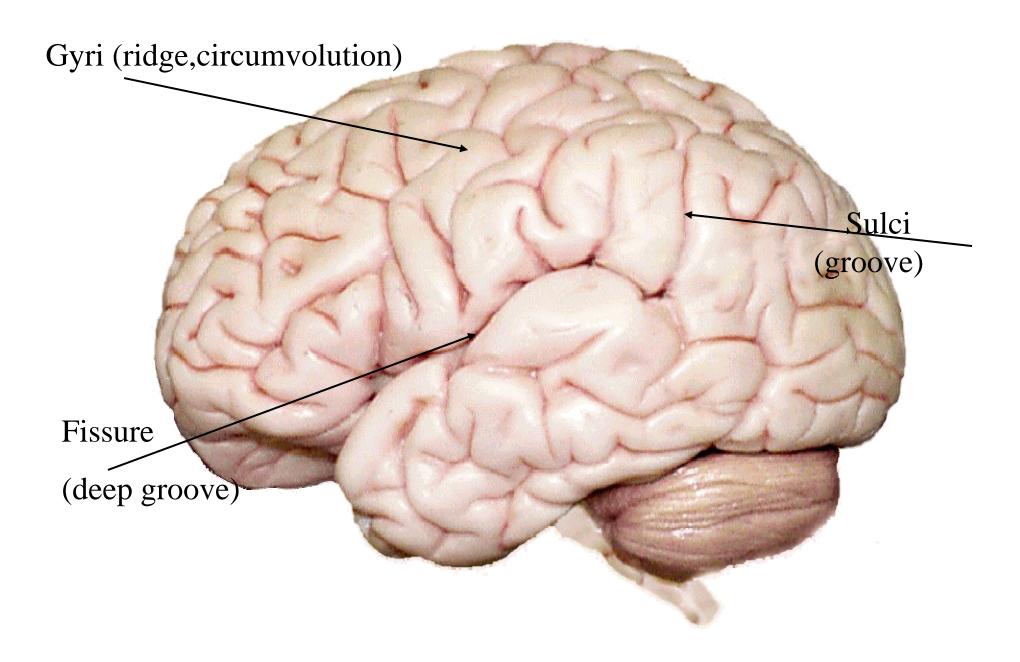




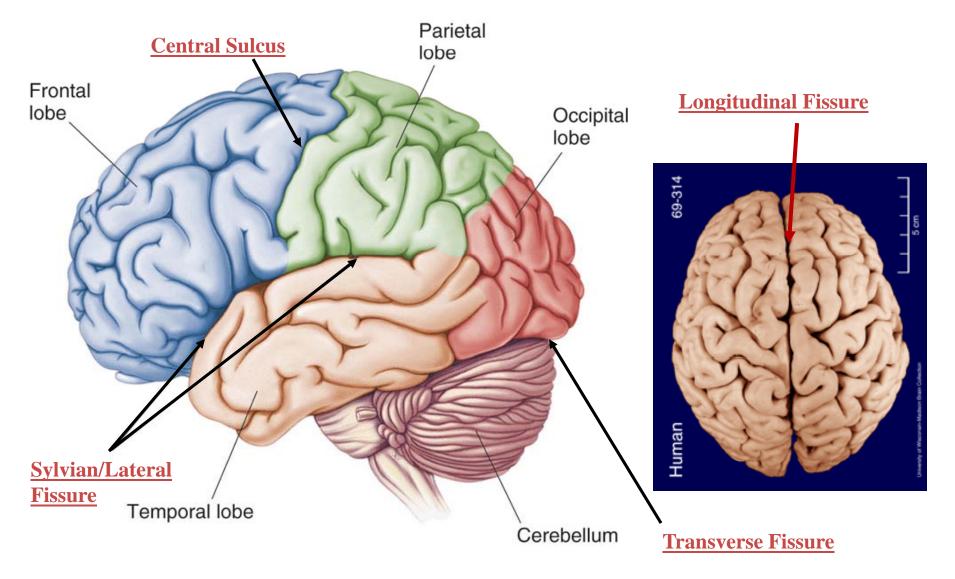


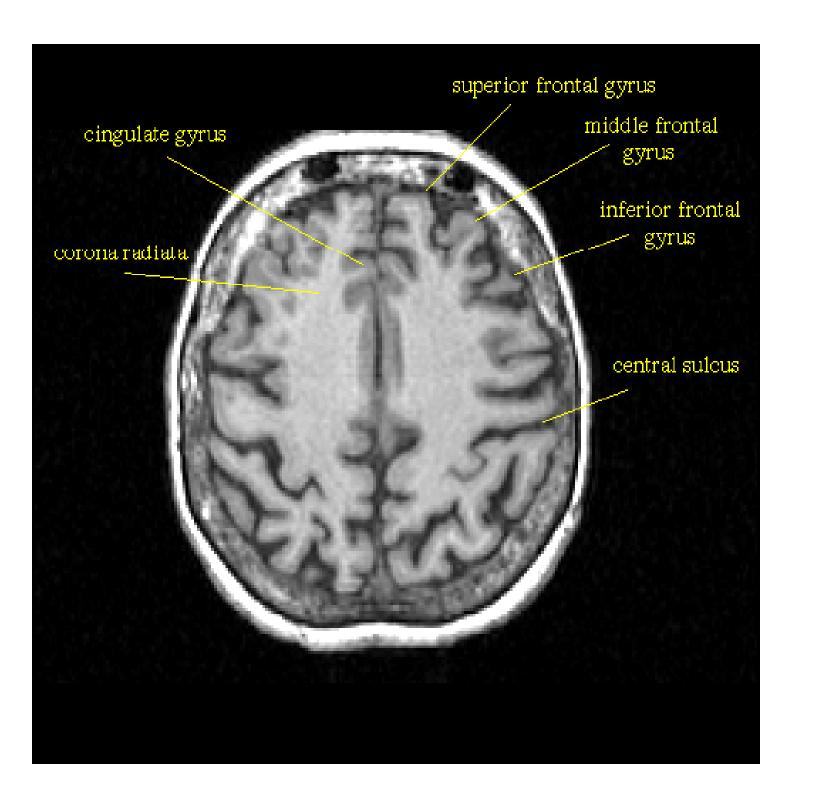
Cerebral Features:

- <u>Gyri</u> Elevated ridges "winding" around the brain.
- <u>Sulci</u> Small grooves dividing the gyri
 - Central Sulcus Divides the Frontal Lobe from the Parietal Lobe
- <u>Fissures</u> Deep grooves, generally dividing large regions/lobes of the brain
 - Longitudinal Fissure Divides the two Cerebral Hemispheres
 - Transverse Fissure Separates the Cerebrum from the Cerebellum
 - Sylvian/Lateral Fissure Divides the Temporal Lobe from the Frontal and Parietal Lobes



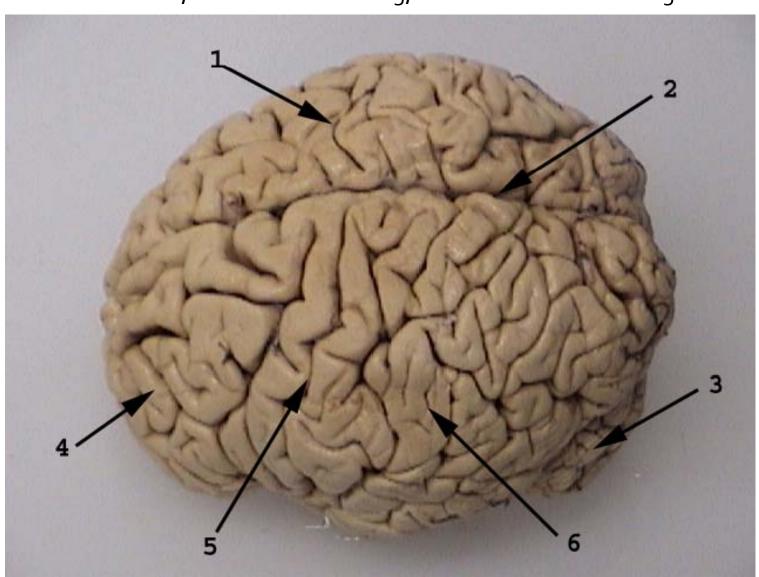
Specific Sulci/Fissures:





The **medial longitudinal fissure** (or **longitudinal cerebral fissure**, or **longitudinal fissure**, or **interhemispheric fissure**) is the deep groove which separates the two hemispheres of the vertebrate brain.

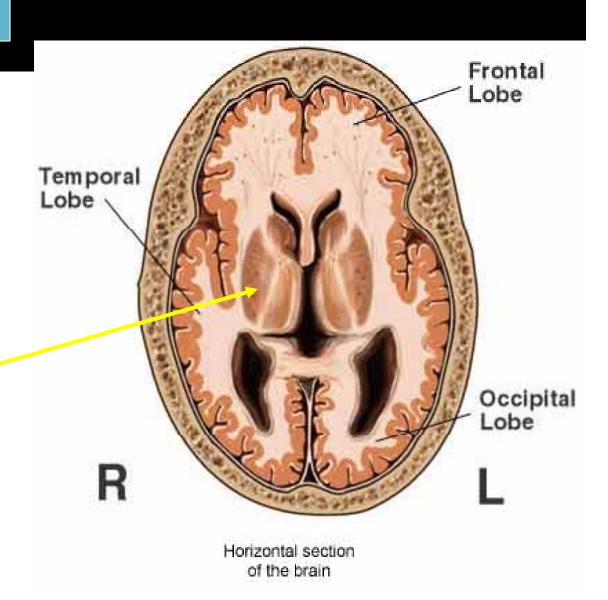
The falx cerebri, a dural brain covering, lies within the medial longitudinal fissure.



- right cerebral cortex
- 2. longitudinal fissure
- 3. cerebellum
- 4. frontal lobe
- 5. central sulcus
- 6. parietal lobe

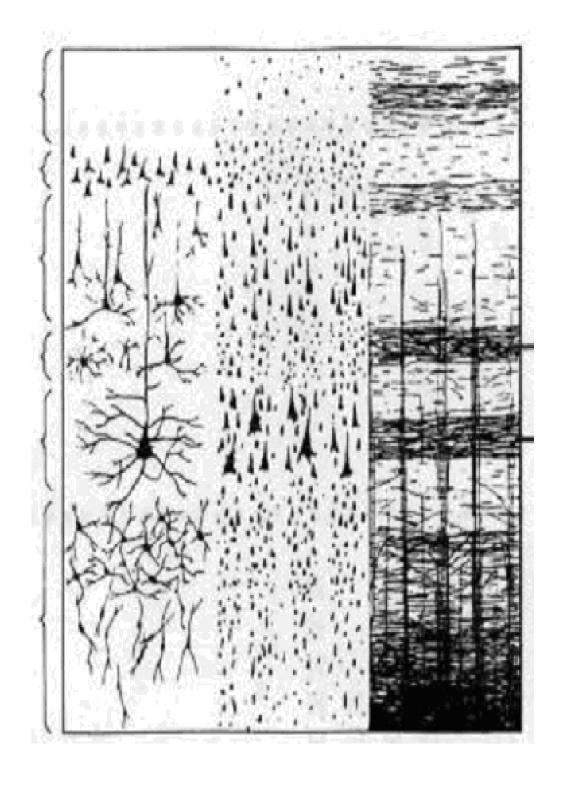
Cerebrum

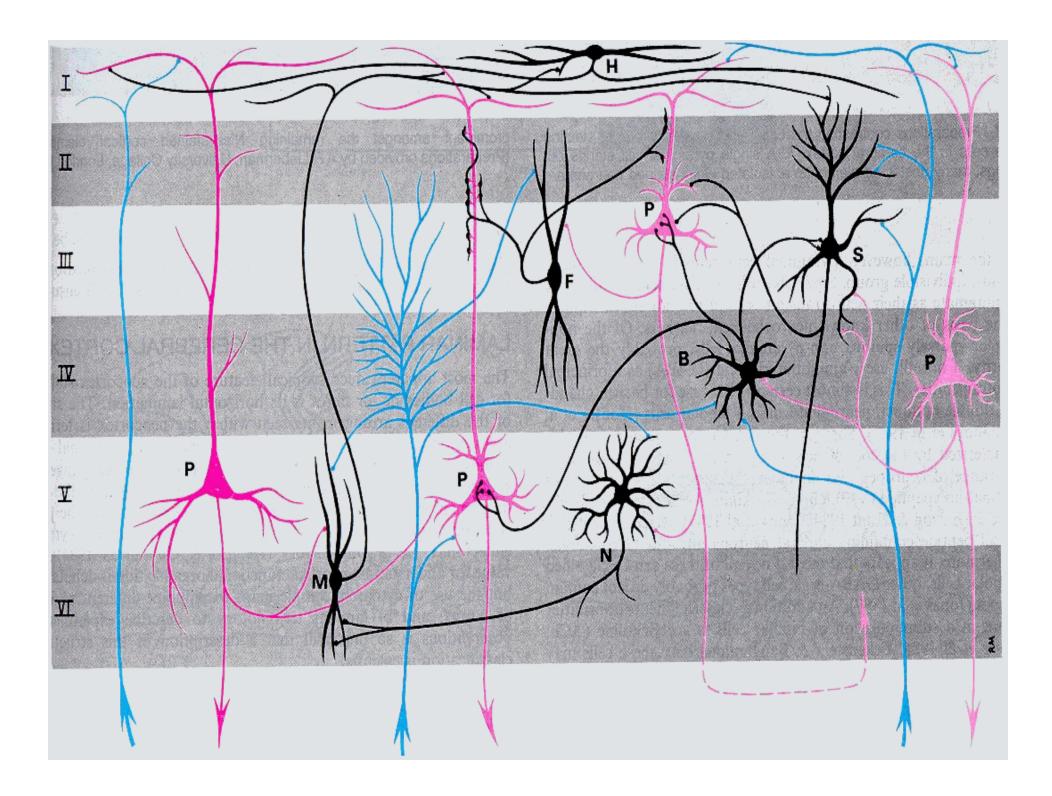
- Each cerebral hemisphere is divided into 3 regions:
 - Superficial cortex of gray matter
 - 2. Internal white matter
 - 3. The basal nuclei islands of gray matter found deep within the white matter



The standard areas of cortex (isocortex) is characterized as having six distinct layers. From outside inward:

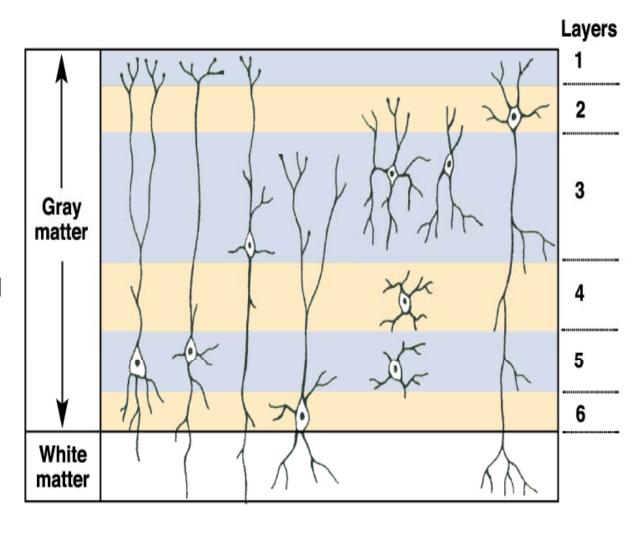
1.Molecular layer2.External granular layer3.External pyramidal layer4.Internal granular layer5.Internal pyramidal layer6.Multiform layer.





Cerebral Cortex

- Allows for sensation, voluntary movement, self-awareness, communication, recognition, and more.
- Gray matter!
- 40% of brain mass, but only 2-3 mm thick.
- Each cerebral hemisphere is concerned with the sensory and motor functions of the opposite side (a.k.a. contralateral side) of the body.



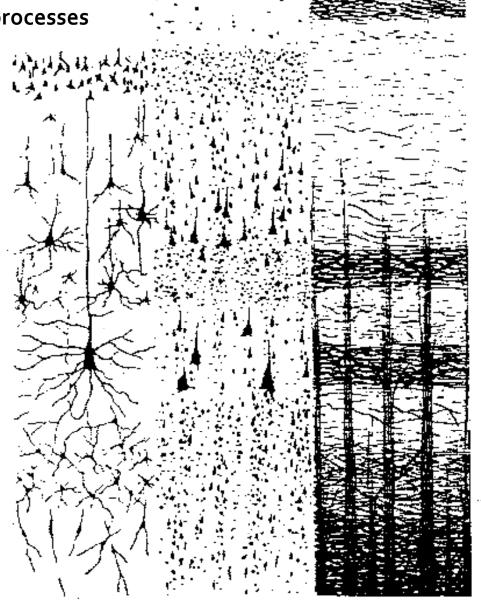
CEREBRAL CORTEX

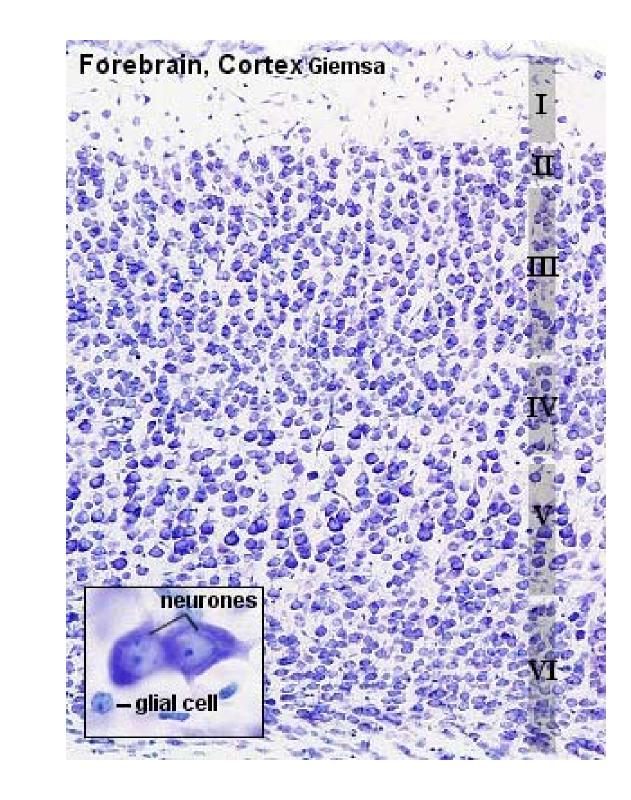
- I. MOLECULAR LAYER processes
- 2. EXTERNAL GRANULAR LAYER
- 3. EXTERNAL PYRAMIDAL LAYER

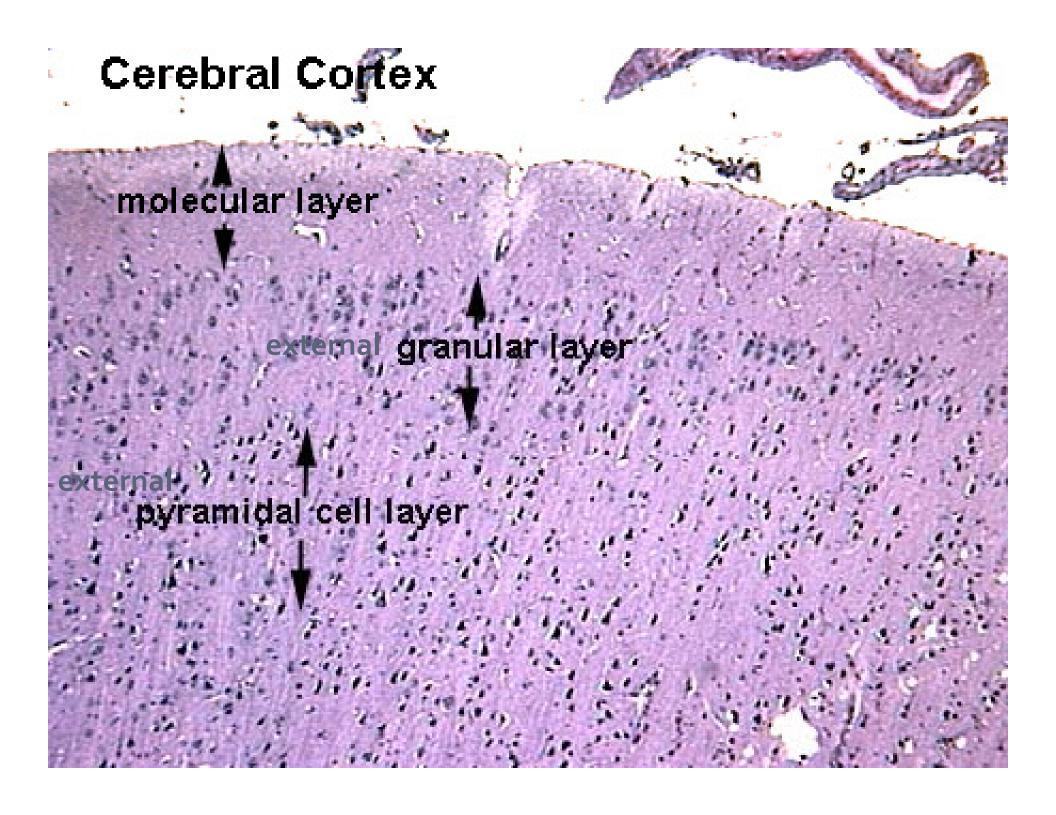
pyramidal cells

- 4. INTERNAL GRANULAR LAYER
- 5. INTERNAL PYRAMIDAL LAYER pyramidal cells*

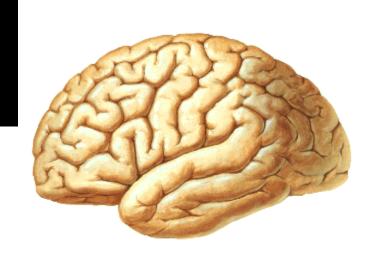
6. MULTIFORM LAYER







Cerebral Cortex



3 types of functional areas:

1. Motor \rightarrow

Control voluntary

motor functions

2. Sensory →

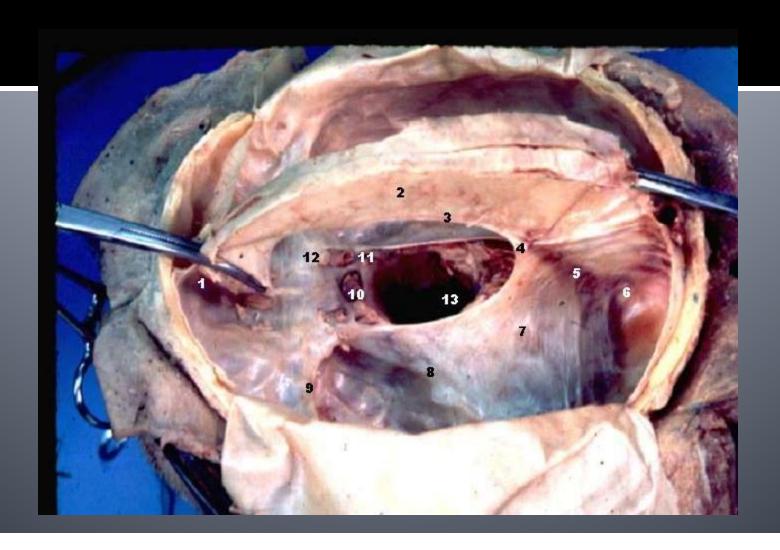
Allow for conscious

recognition of stimuli

3. Association \rightarrow

Integration

Falx Cerebri

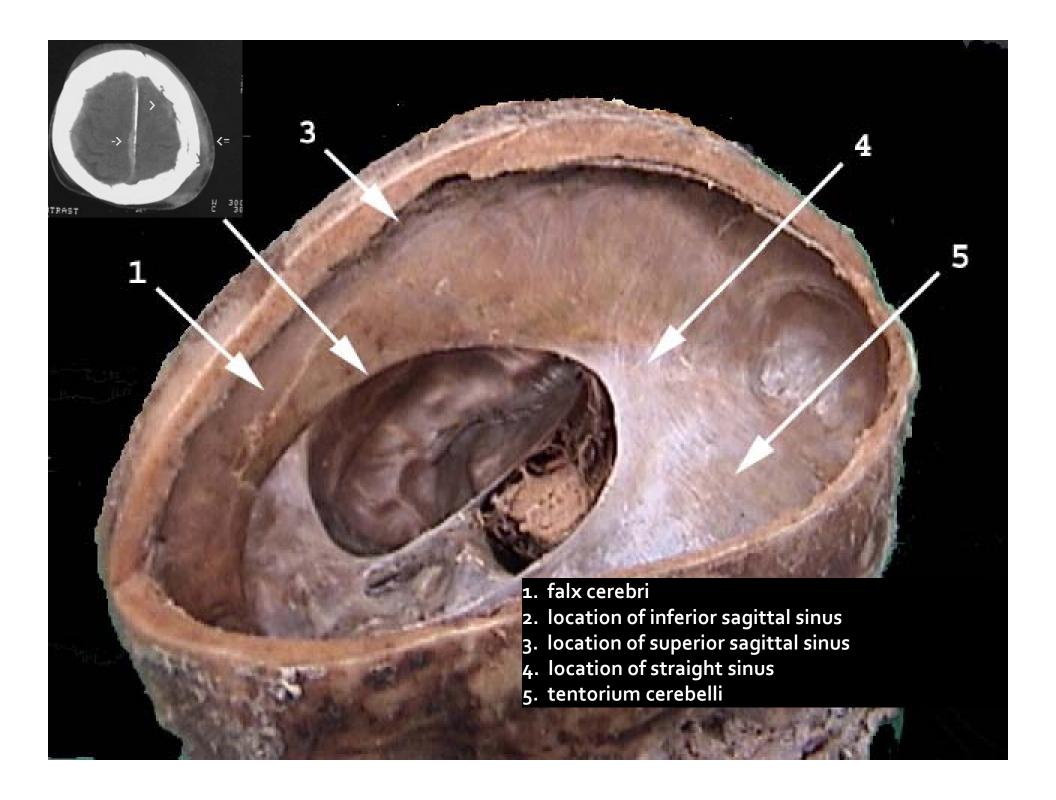


•Strong, arched fold of dura mater which descends vertically in the longitudinal fissure between the cerebral hemispheres.

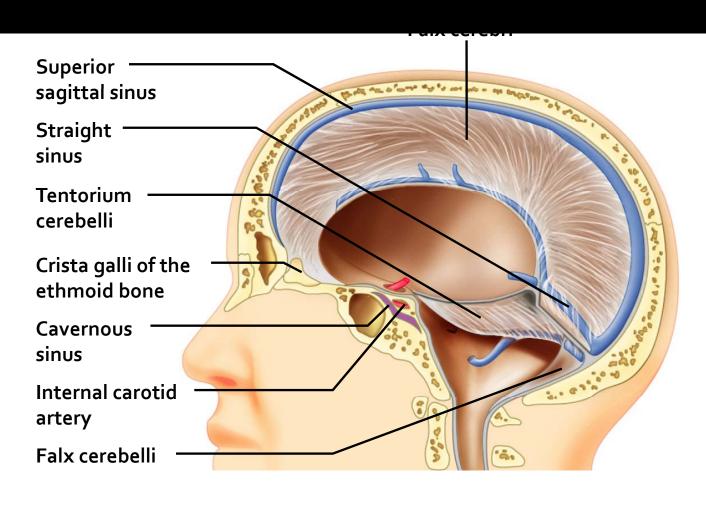
It is narrow in front, where it is attached to the crista galli of the ethmoid; and broad behind, where it is connected with the upper surface of the tentorium cerebelli.

Its upper margin is convex, and attached to the inner surface of the skull in the middle line, as far back as the internal occipital protuberance; it contains the superior sagittal sinus.

Its lower margin is free and concave, and contains the inferior sagittal sinus.

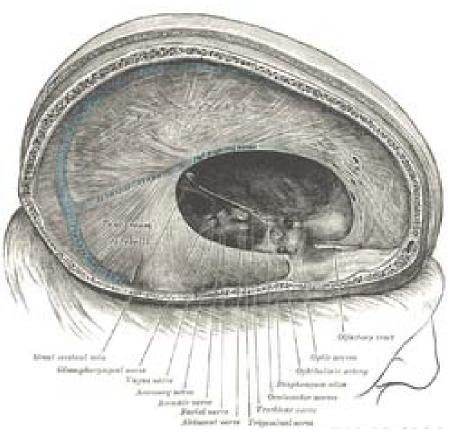


Partitioning folds of dura mater in the cranial cavity,





Falx cerebri



Central sulcus= between frontal and parietal lobes.

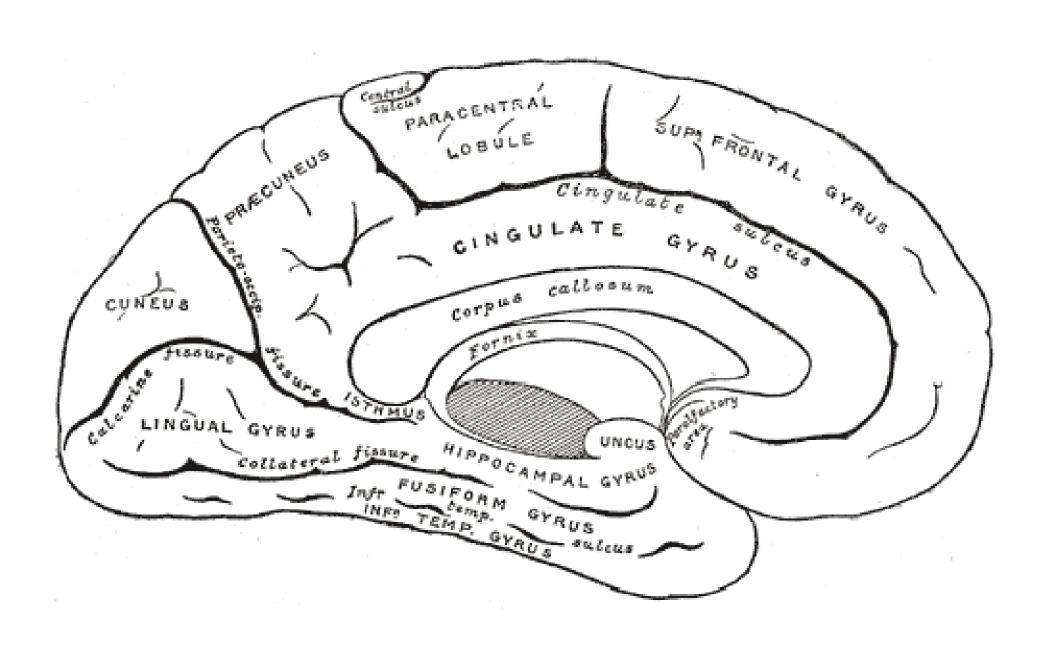
Frontal lobe:

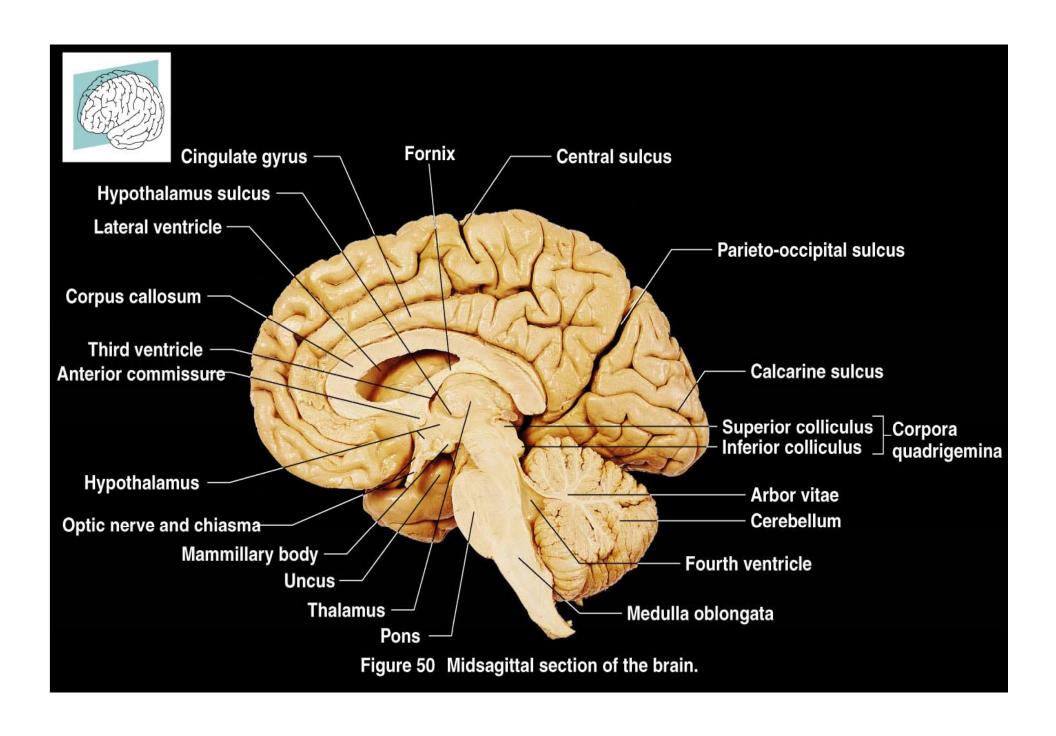
precentral gyrus: motor neurons.

Parietal lobe:

Poscentral gyrus: somatesthetic sensation (cutaneous touch, pain, heat, muscles and joints).

MAP of motor and of sensory control (homunculus)





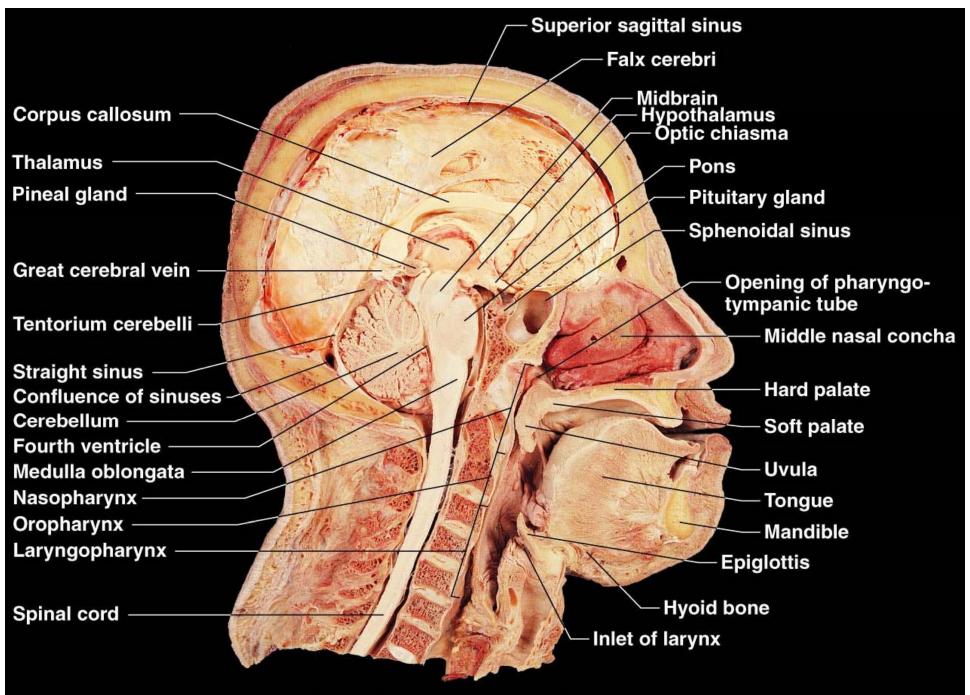


Figure 46 Sagittal section of the head.

The ventricles

The Four Ventricles

Lateral Ventricles:

largest

Third Ventricle:

"wall" divides brain

horn

into symmetrical

halves

Cerebral aqueduct:

long tube that connects 3rd to 4th

ventricle

Fourth Ventricle

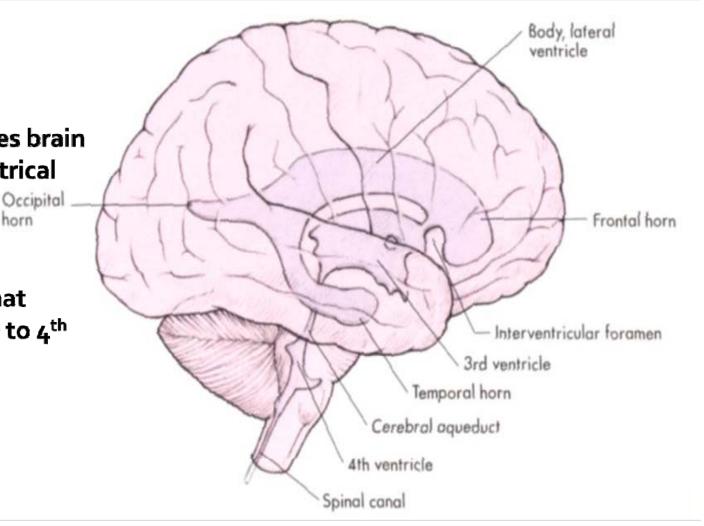
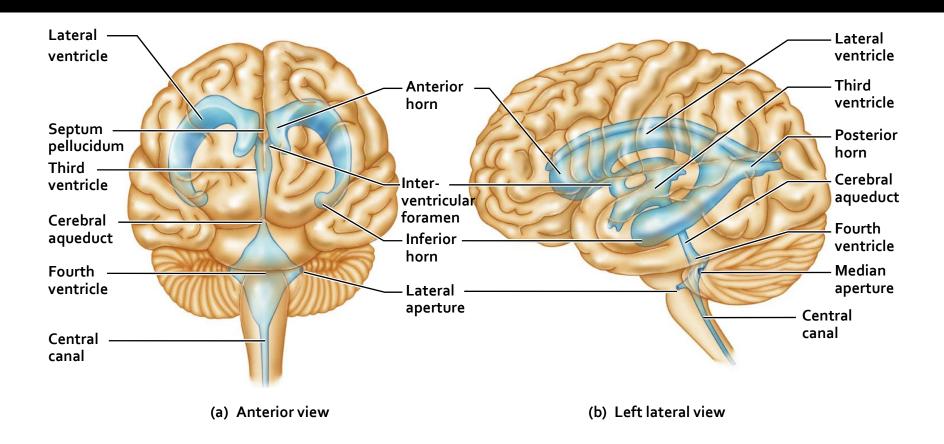
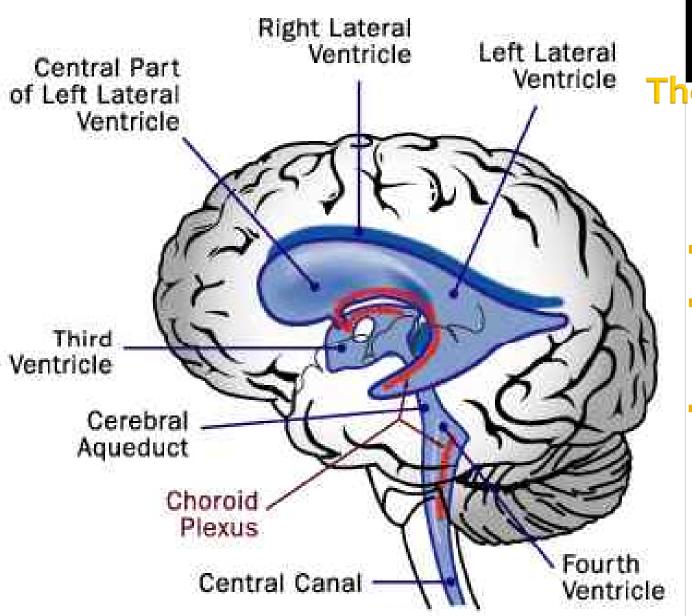


Figure 12.5: Ventricles of the brain, p. 434.

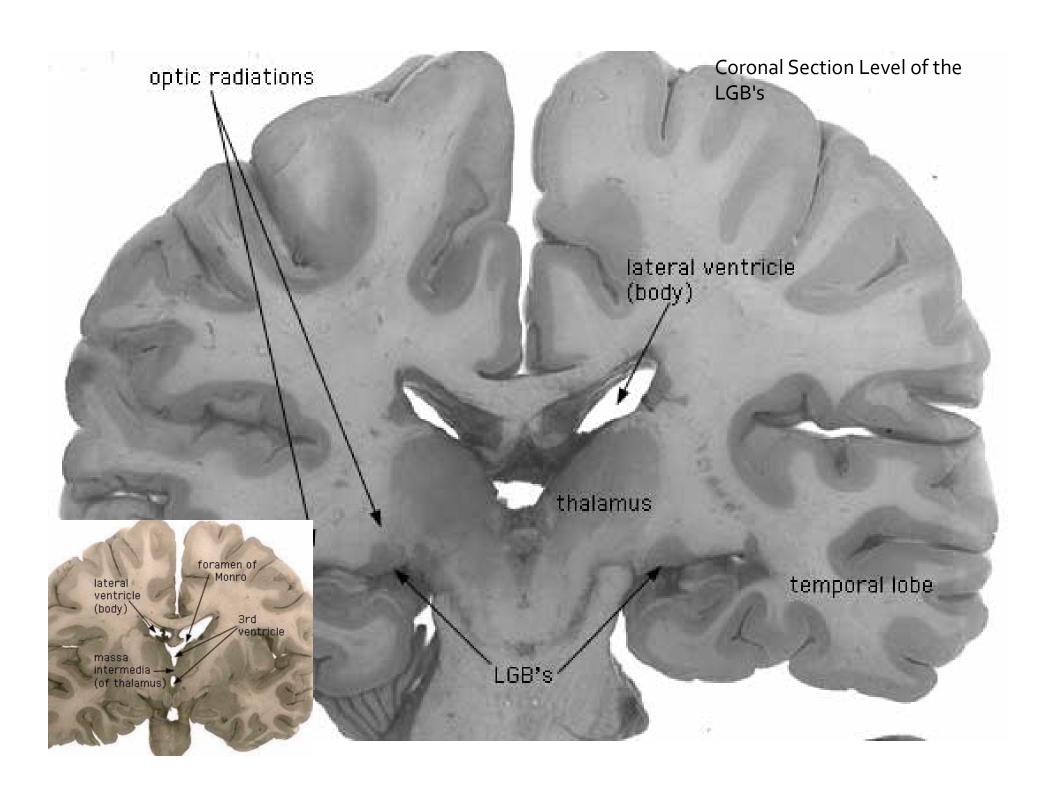


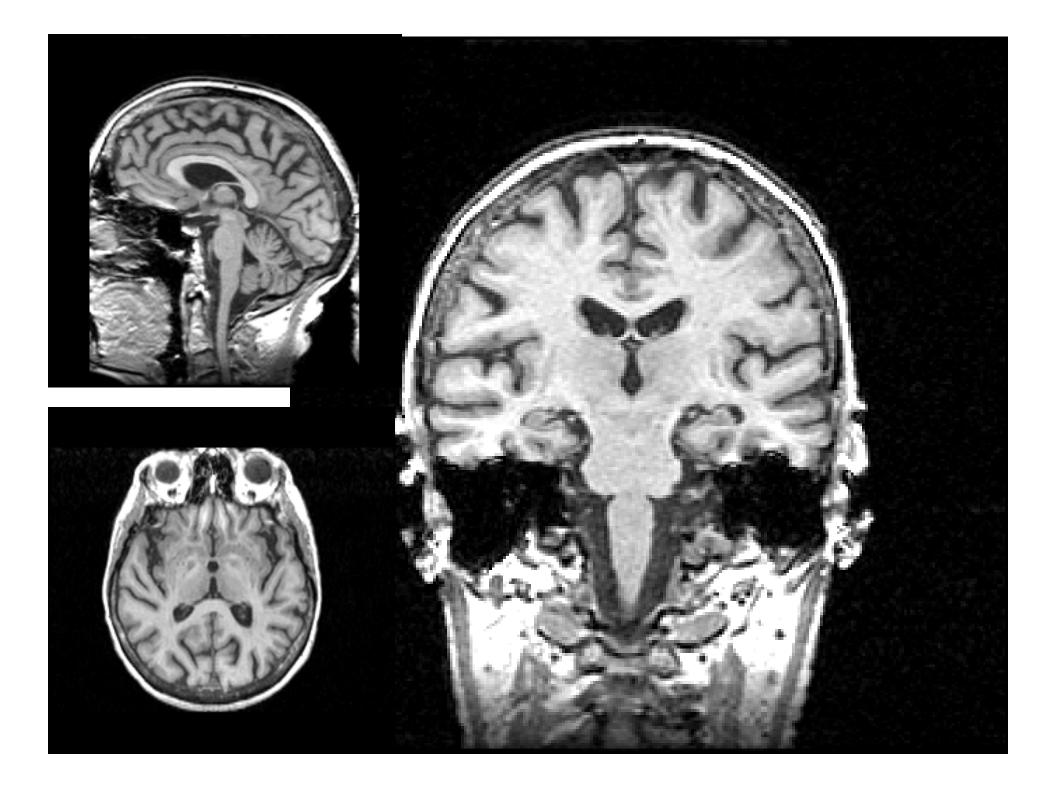
The Ventricular System of the Human Brain

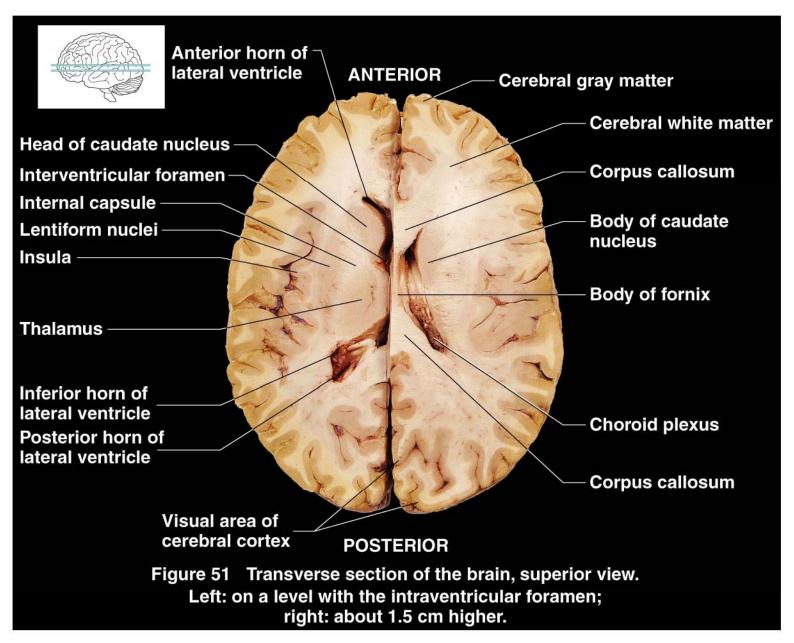


The Four Ventricles

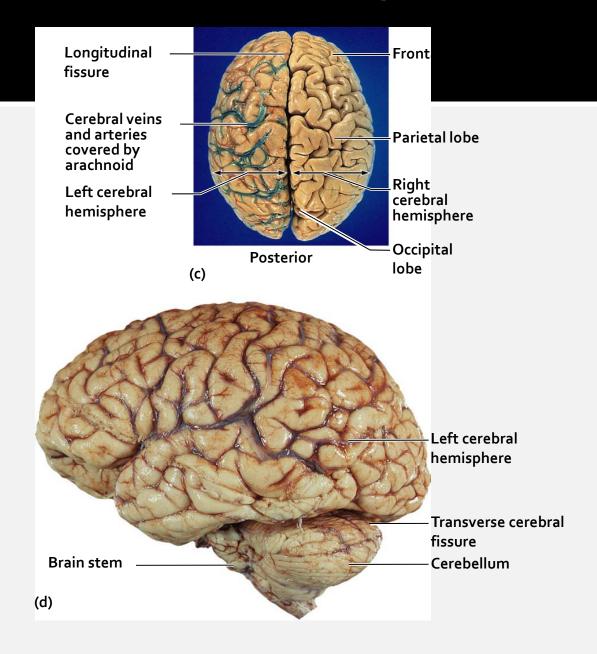
- Protects Brain From Trauma
- Provides
 Pathway for
 Circulation of
 CSF
- Continuous w/each other + central canal of spinal cord





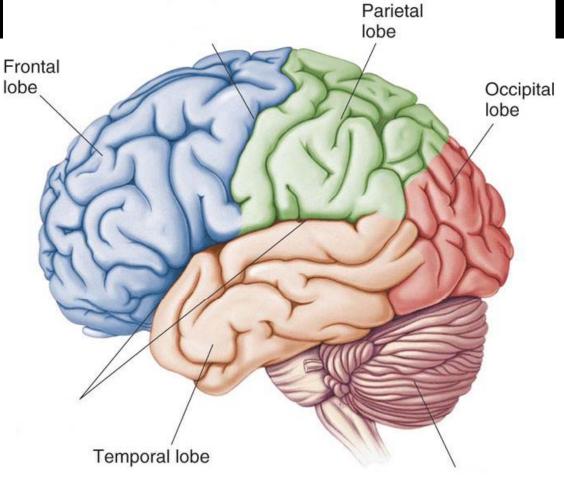


Lobes and fissures of the cerebral hemispheres,



Lobes of the Brain (4)

- Frontal
- Parietal
- Occipital
- Temporal

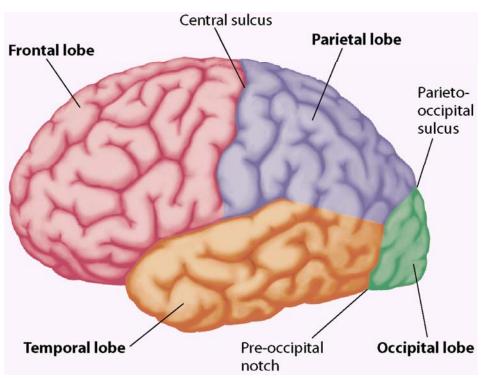


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* Note: Occasionally, the Insula is considered the fifth lobe. It is located deep to the Temporal Lobe.

LOBES

Cortical Function



Frontal Lobe

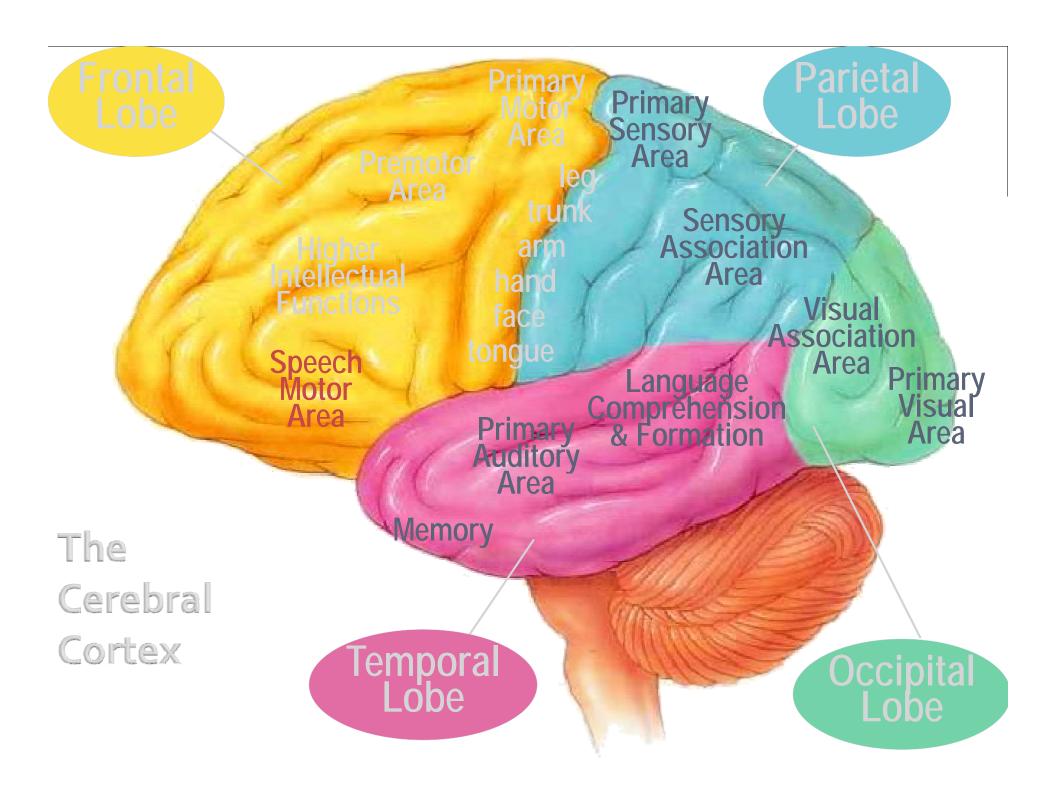
- -Higher thought processing; decision making; abstract thinking
- -Primary "precentral" motor area

Parietal Lobe

-Primary "postcentral" somatosensory area: sensation of muscles, organs, and skin

Occipital Lobe

- -Visual processing
- •Temporal Lobe
 - -Auditory & equilibrium processing
 - -Left temporal lobe involved in speech and comprehension of language



HOMUNCULUS



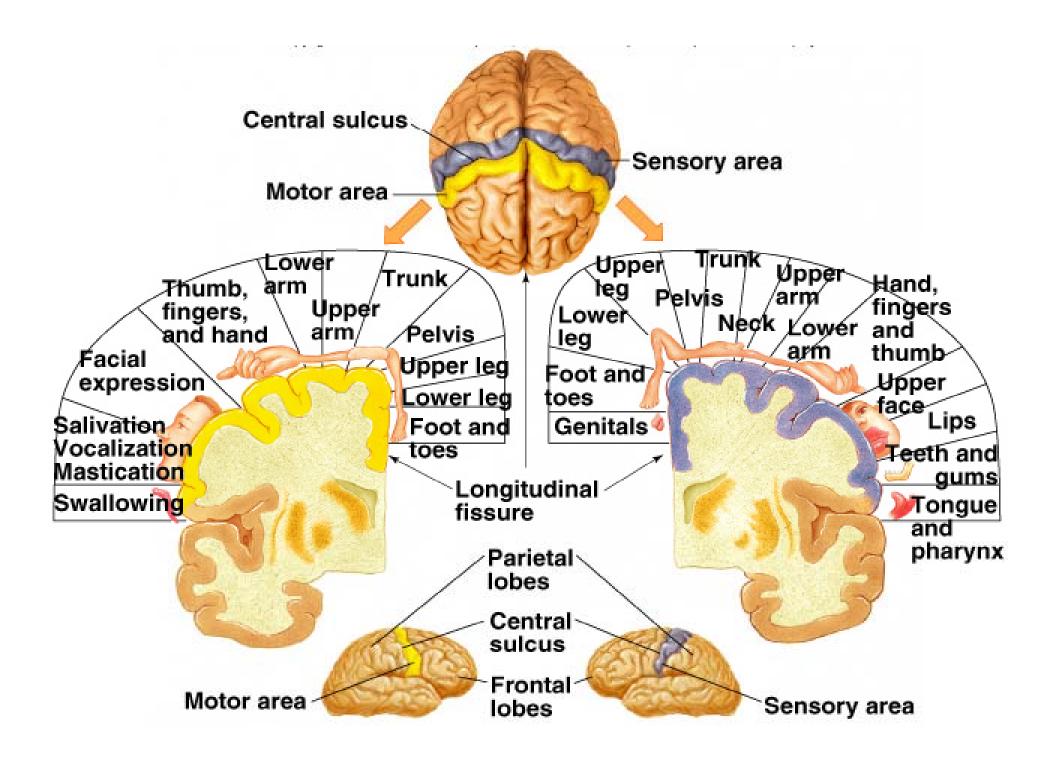


Figure 12.9: Motor and sensory areas of the cerebral cortex, p. 438.

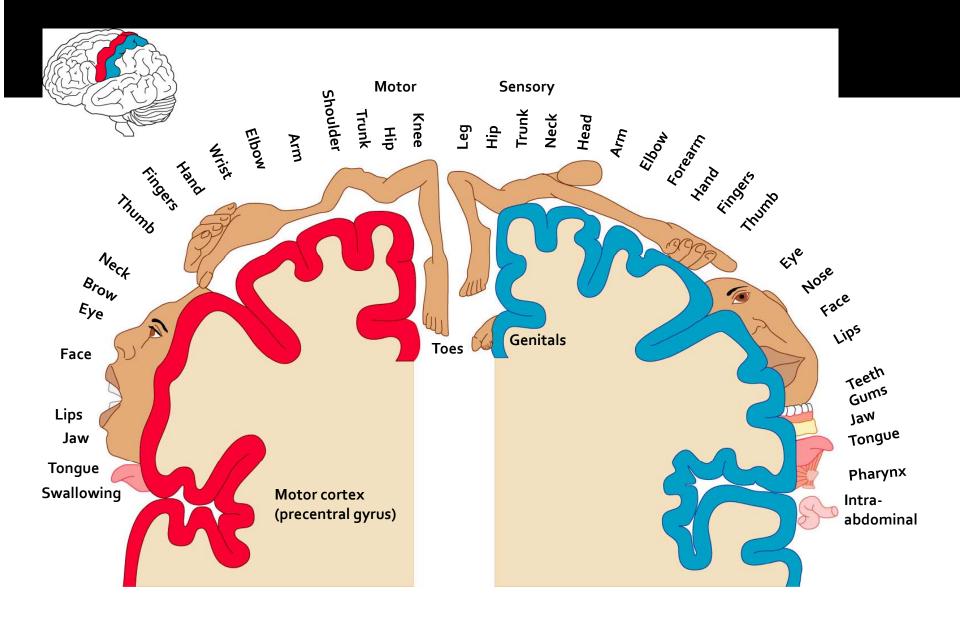
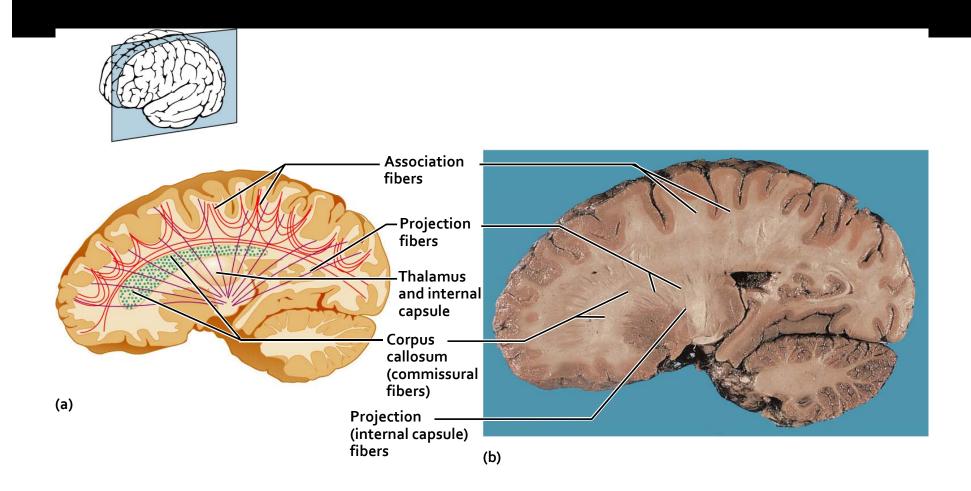
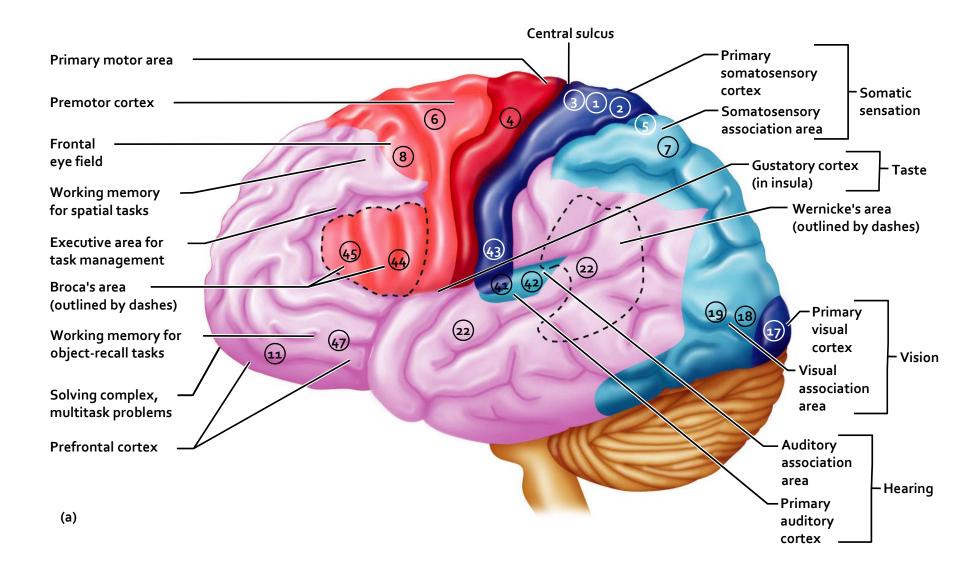
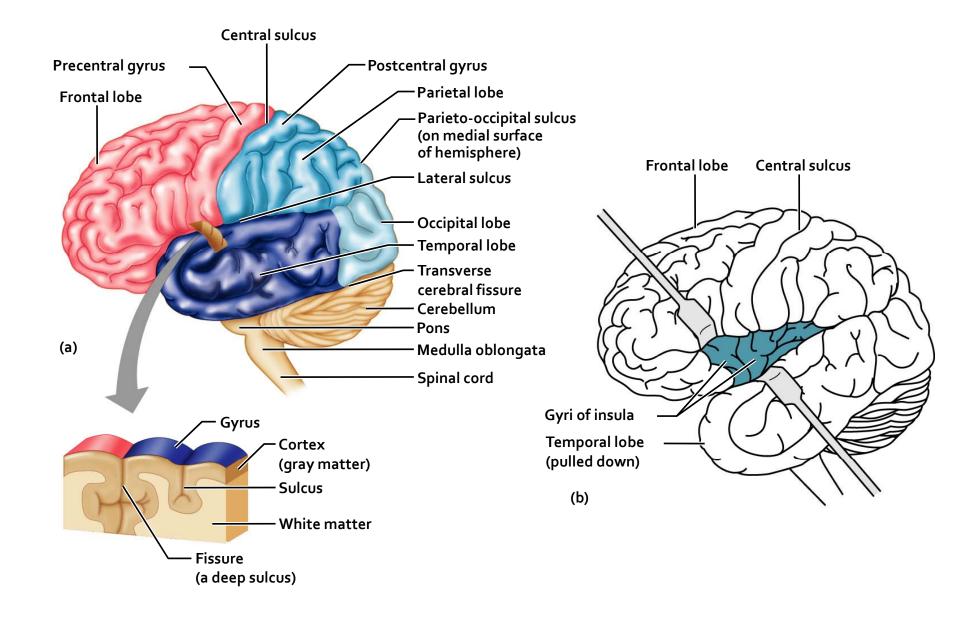


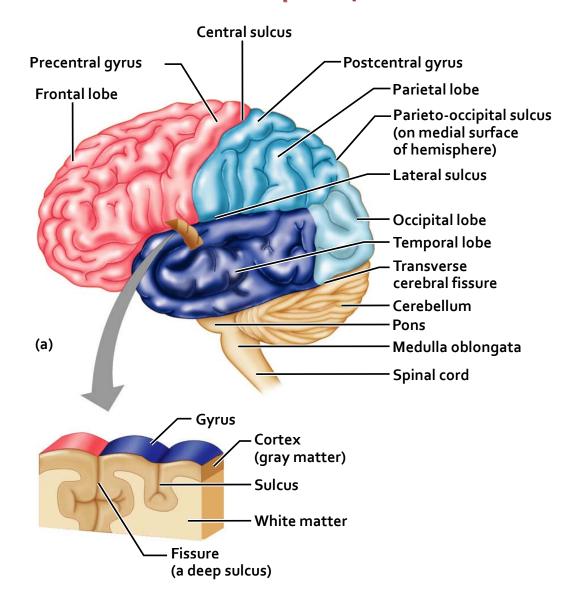
Figure 12.10a-b: Types of fiber tracts in white matter, p. 442.

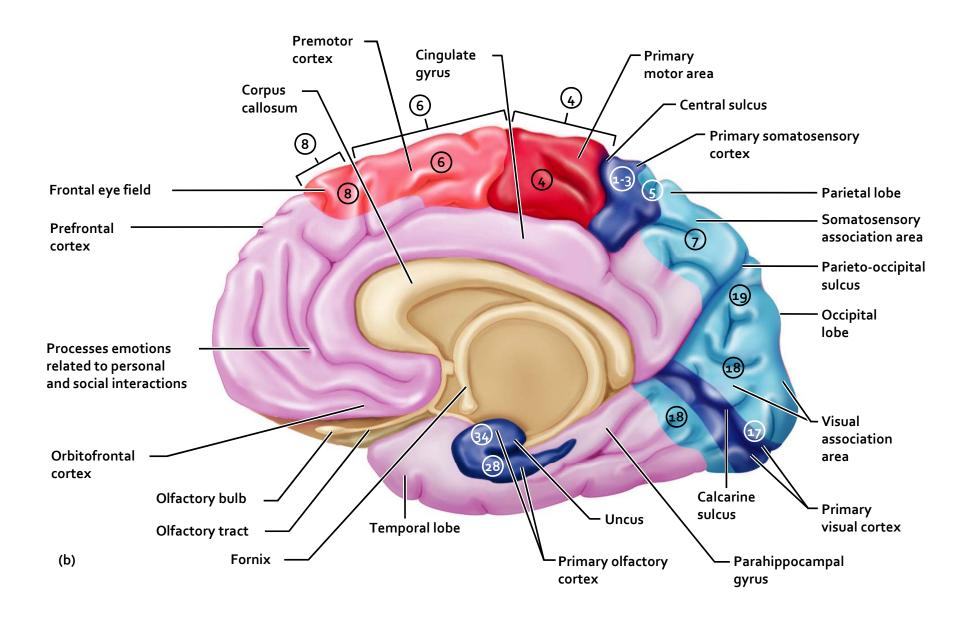






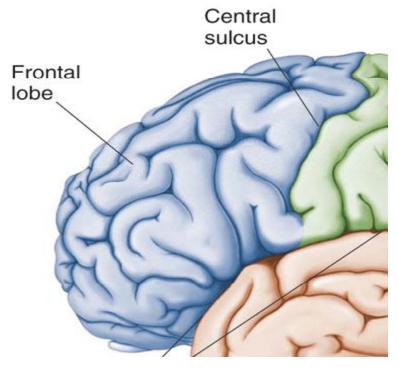
Lobes and fissures of the cerebral hemispheres,





Lobes of the Brain - Frontal

- The Frontal Lobe of the brain is located deep to the Frontal Bone of the skull.
- It plays an integral role in the following functions/actions:
 - Memory Formation
 - Emotions
 - Decision Making/Reasoning
 - Personality



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Frontal Lobe - Cortical Regions

- **Primary Motor Cortex (Precentral Gyrus)** Cortical site involved with controlling movements of the body.
- **Broca's Area** Controls facial neurons, speech, and language comprehension. Located on *Left* Frontal Lobe.
- **Broca's Aphasia** Results in the ability to comprehend speech, but the decreased motor ability (or inability) to speak and form words.
 - Orbitofrontal Cortex Site of Frontal Lobotomies

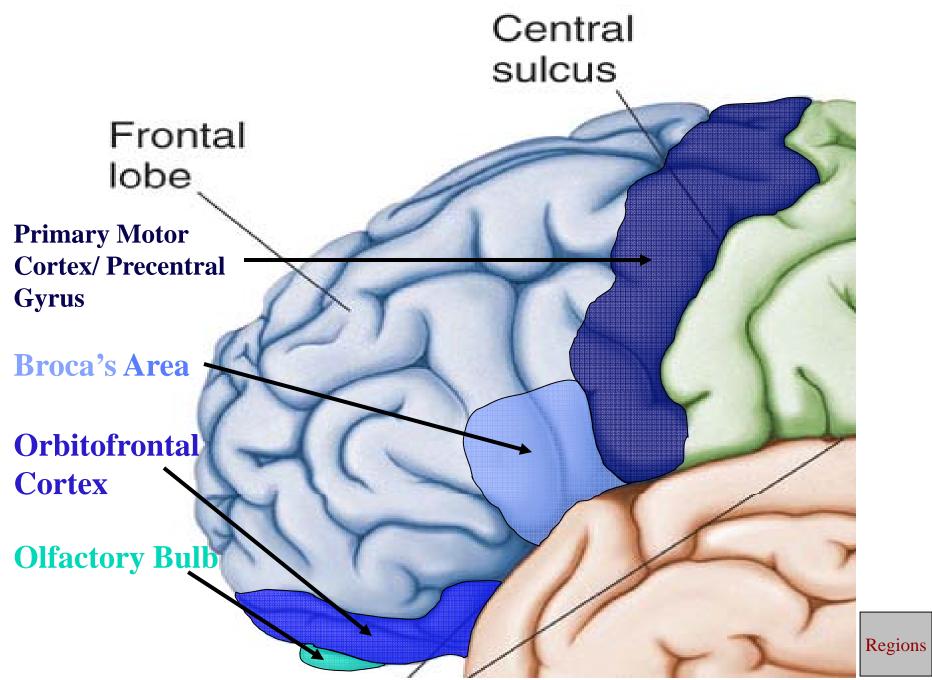
* Desired Effects:

- Diminished Rage
- Decreased Aggression
- Poor Emotional Responses

* Possible Side Effects:

- Epilepsy
- Poor Emotional Responses
- Perseveration (Uncontrolled, repetitive actions, gestures, or words)

• Olfactory Bulb - Cranial Nerve I, Responsible for sensation of Smell



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Parietal Lobe - Cortical Regions

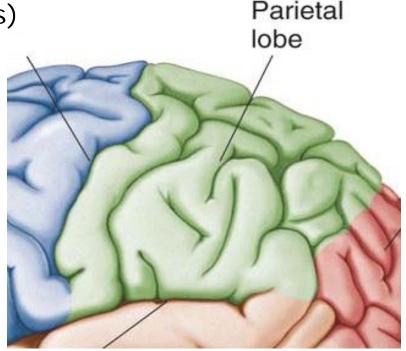
- Primary Somatosensory Cortex (Postcentral Gyrus) – Site involved with processing of tactile and proprioceptive information.
- Somatosensory Association Cortex Assists with the integration and interpretation of sensations relative to body position and orientation in space. May assist with visuo-motor coordination.
- Primary Gustatory Cortex Primary site involved with the interpretation of the sensation of Taste.

Lobes of the Brain - Parietal Lobe

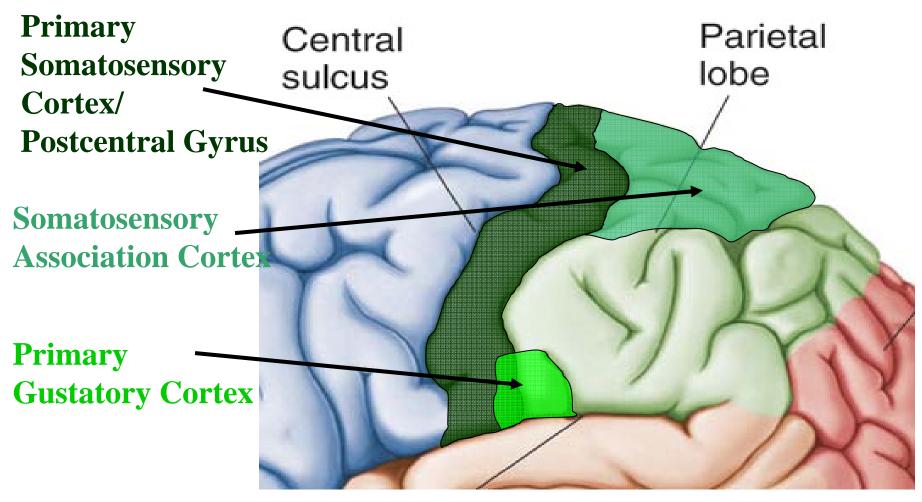
- The Parietal Lobe of the brain is located deep to the Parietal Bone of the skull.
- It plays a major role in the following functions/actions:

- Senses and integrates sensation(s)

 Spatial awareness and perception (Proprioception - Awareness of body/ body parts in space and in relation to each other)



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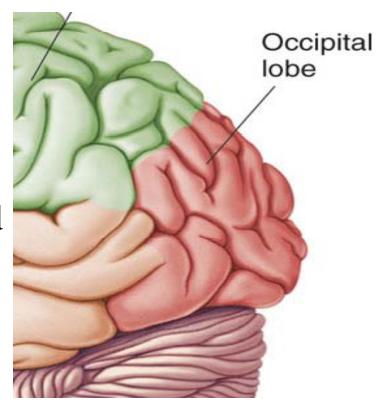


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Lobes of the Brain – Occipital Lobe

 The Occipital Lobe of the Brain is located deep to the Occipital Bone of the Skull.

• Its primary function is the processing, integration, interpretation, etc. of VISION and visual stimuli.



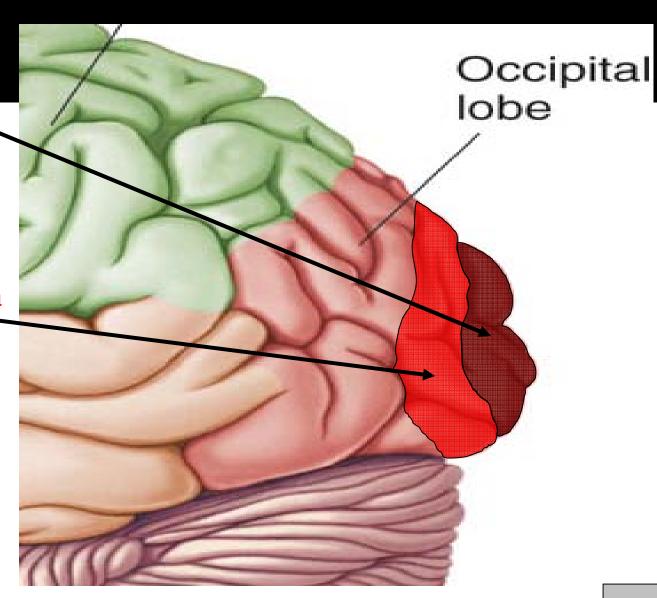
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Occipital Lobe – Cortical Regions

- Primary Visual Cortex This is the primary area of the brain responsible for sight recognition of size, color, light, motion, dimensions, etc.
- **Visual Association Area** Interprets information acquired through the primary visual cortex.

Primary Visual Cortex

Visual Association Area

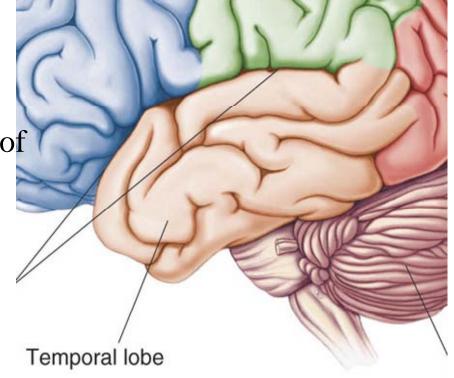


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Regions

Lobes of the Brain – Temporal Lobe

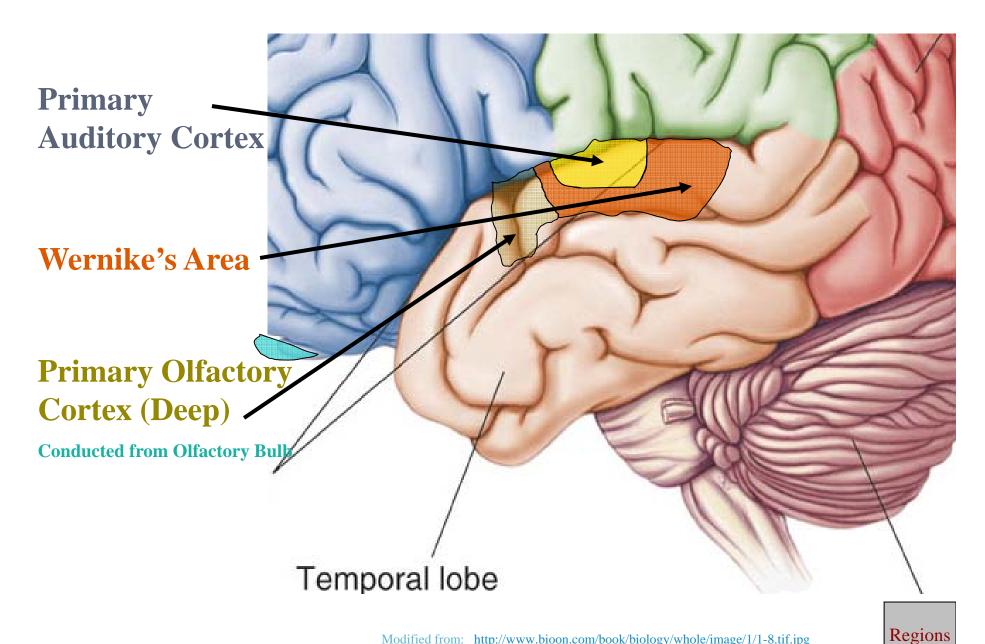
- The Temporal Lobes are located on the sides of the brain, deep to the Temporal Bones of the skull.
- They play an integral role in the following functions:
 - Hearing
 - -Organization/Comprehension of language
 - Information Retrieval (Memory and Memory Formation)



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Temporal Lobe – Cortical Regions

- Primary Auditory Cortex Responsible for hearing
- **Primary Olfactory Cortex** Interprets the sense of smell once it reaches the cortex via the olfactory bulbs. (Not visible on the superficial cortex)
- Wernicke's Area Language comprehension. Located on the <u>Left</u> <u>Temporal Lobe</u>.
- Wernicke's Aphasia Language comprehension is inhibited. Words and sentences are not clearly understood, and sentence formation may be inhibited or non-sensical.

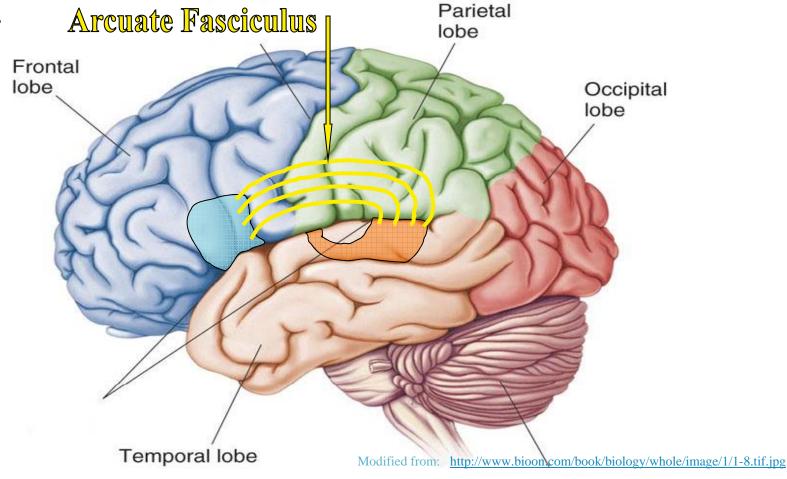


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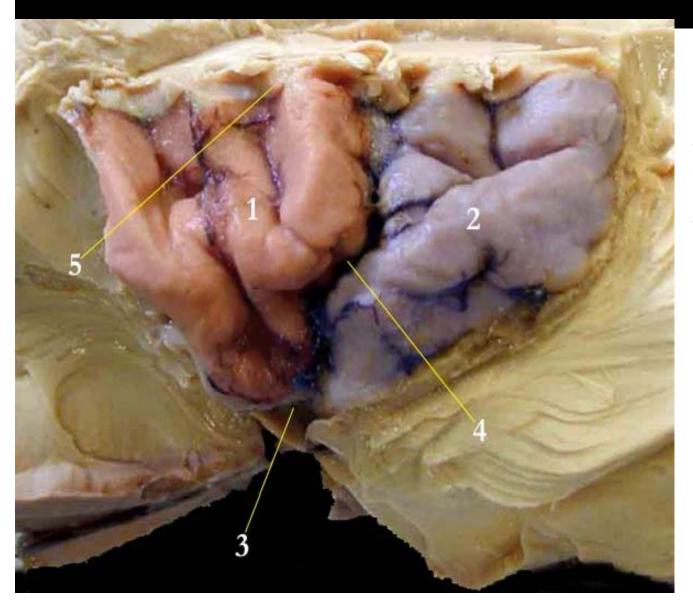
• Arcuate Fasciculus - A white matter tract that connects Broca's Area and Wernicke's Area through the Temporal, Parietal and Frontal Lobes. Allows for coordinated, comprehensible speech. Damage may result in:

- Conduction Aphasia - Where auditory comprehension and speech articulation are preserved, but people find it difficult to repeat heard speech.

Archate Pascienilius I Pascietal



Insular cortex



These overlying cortical areas are known as opercula (meaning "lids"), and parts of the frontal, temporal and parietal lobes form opercula over the insula. The latin name for the insular cortex is *lobus insularis*.

insular cortex is also known by the name Island of Reil,

- 1. Gyri breves insula
- 2.Gyri longi insula
- 3.Limen insula
- 4. Sulcus centralis insula
- 5. Sulcus circularis insula

Insula:

Implicated in memory encoding.

Integration of sensory information with visceral responses.

Coordinated cardiovascular response to stress.

The insular cortex is a complex structure which contains areas that subserve visceral sensory, motor, vestibular, and somatosensory functions.

The role of the insular cortex in auditory processing was poorly understood until recently.

However, recent case studies indicate that bilateral damage to the insulae may result in total auditory agnosia. Functional imaging studies demonstrate that the insulae participate in several key auditory processes, such as allocating auditory attention and tuning in to novel auditory stimuli, temporal processing, phonological processing and visual-auditory integration. These studies do not clarify the issue of further specialisation within the insular cortex, e.g. whether the posterior insulae are primarily sensory areas, while the anterior insulae serve mainly as integration/association auditory areas, two hypotheses that would be compatible with the cytoarchitectonic structure and connectivity of the insulae.

The insula (Island of Reil) and its role in auditory processing. Literature review.

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Figure 12.14: Ventral aspect of the human brain, showing the three regions of the brain stem, p. 447.

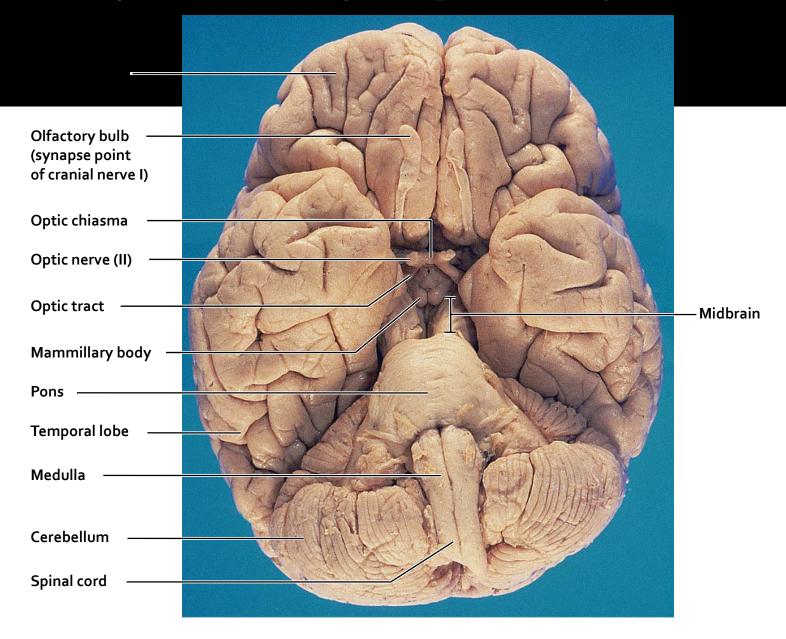
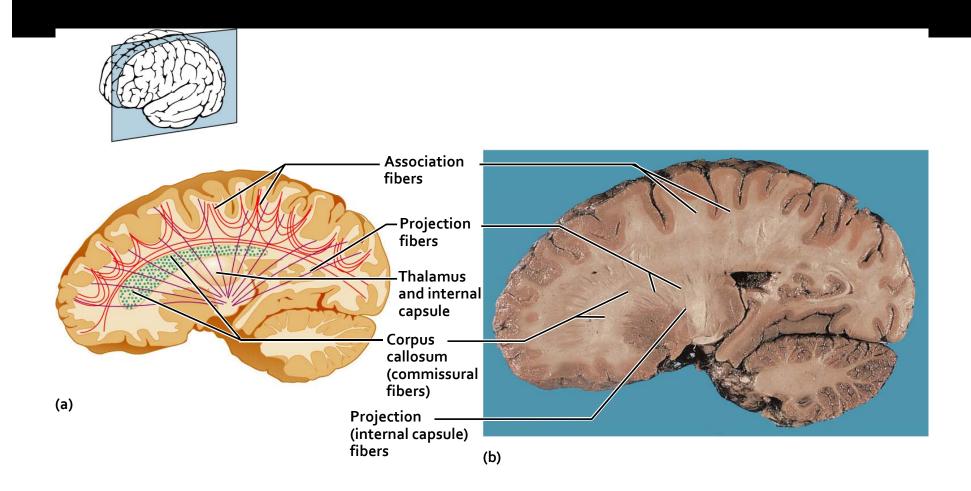


Figure 12.10a-b: Types of fiber tracts in white matter, p. 442.

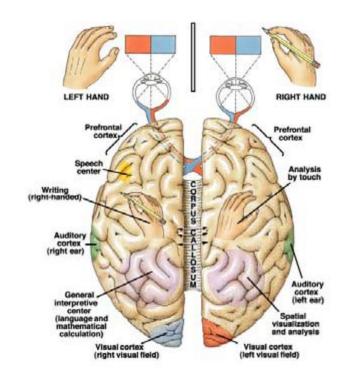


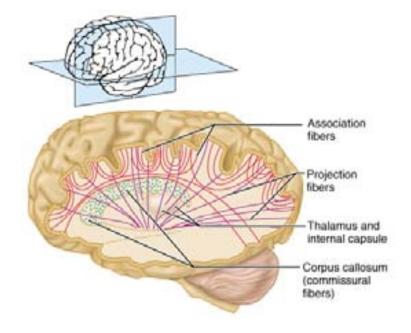
Cerebral White Matter

• Is white matter involved in communication?

• 3 types of fibers:

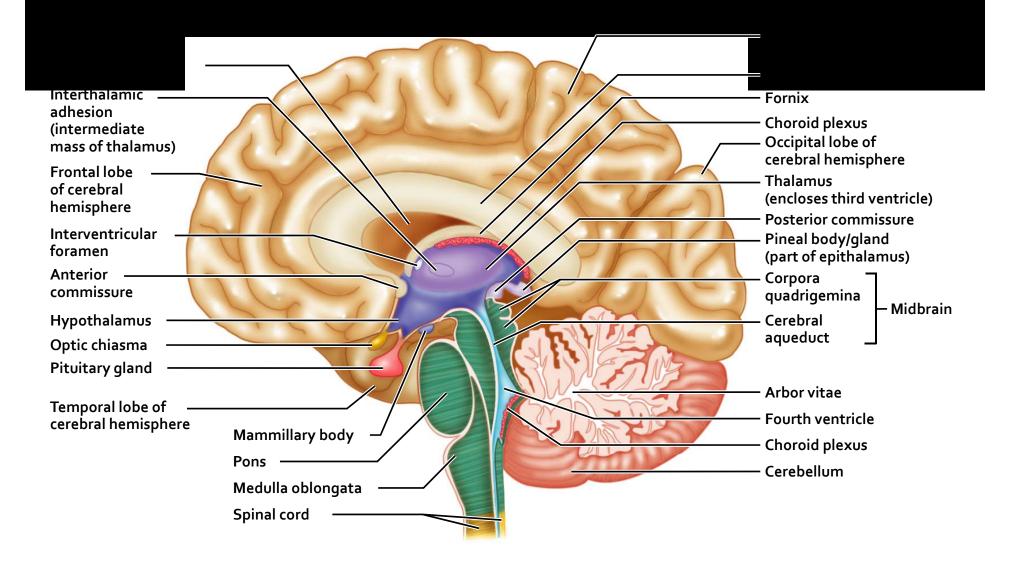
- 1. Commissural —connect corresponding areas of the hemispheres. Largest is the corpus callosum.
- 2. Association fibers —connect different parts of the same hemisphere
- 3. Projection fibers Fibers entering and leaving the cerebral hemispheres from/to lower structures

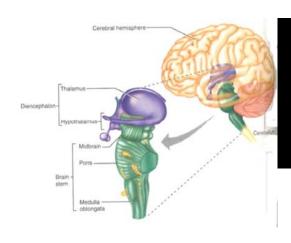




DIENCEPHALON

Figure 12.12: Midsagittal section of the brain illustrating the diencephalon and brain stem, p. 445.





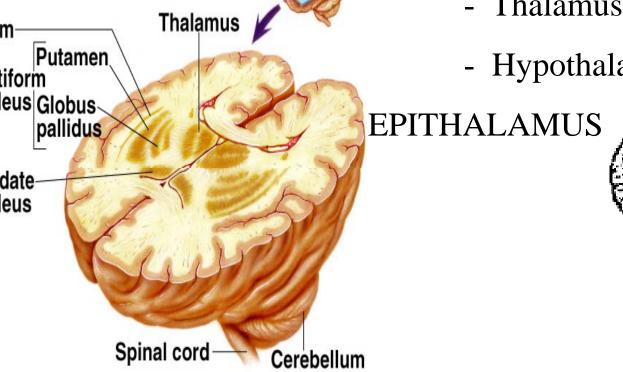
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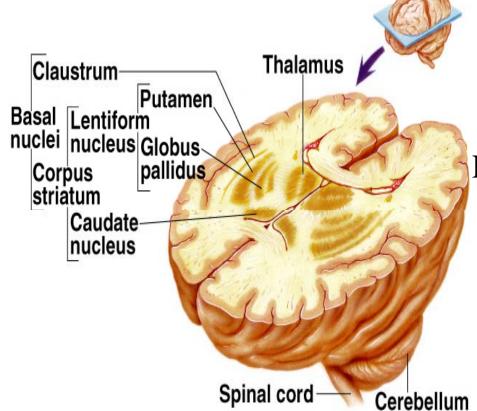
Motor cerebral cortex

2 Major Structures

- Thalamus

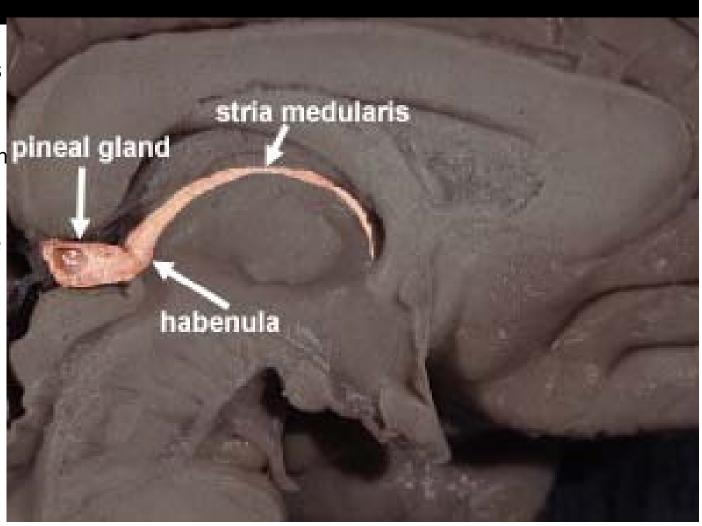
- Hypothalamus





Epithalamus

- Above the thalamus
- Contains the pineal gland which releases melatonin (involved in sleep/wake cycle and mood).
- Contains a structure called the habenula – involved in food and water intake



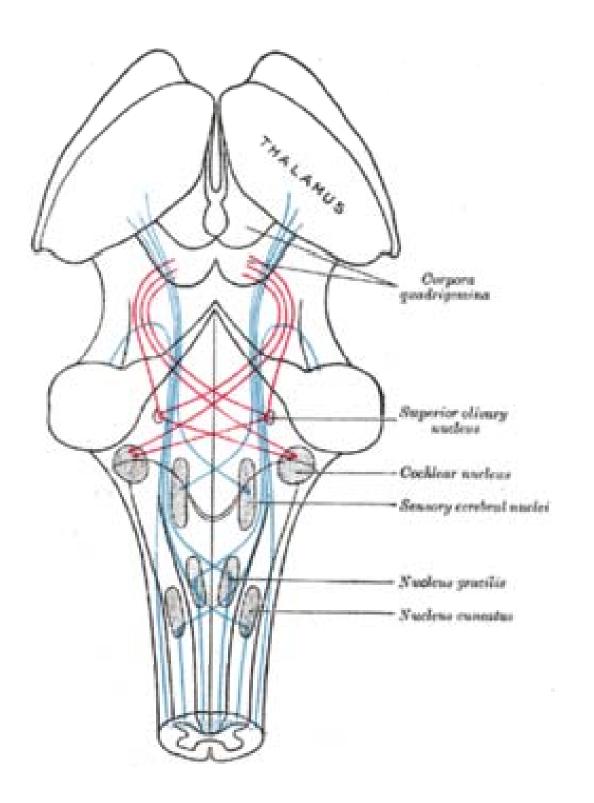
Thalamus

(a)

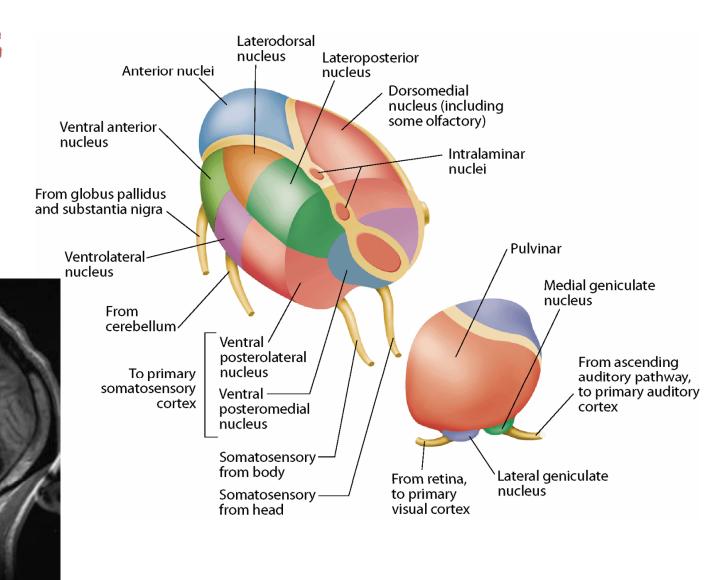
- Lies at the base of the brain - Two lobes that relay sensory projection fiber - Controls and regulates the info to the cerebral cortex endocrine system (hormones), autonomic system, species survival (the four Fs) and sleeping. - Contains many nuclei and fiber tracts Paraventricular Dorsal nuclei nucleus Medial Lateral Lateral **Anterior** dorsal posterior Dorsomedial **Fornix** commissure nucleus **Preoptic** Posterior nucleus **Pulvinar** hypothalamic **Anterior** nucleus hypothalamic nucleus Lateral **Anterior** Medial hypothalamic Supraoptic nuclear geniculate area nucleus group body Ventromedial **Suprachiasmatic** Lateral Reticular nucleus nucleus geniculate nucleus Optic Arcuate Mammillary body Ventral chiasma nucleus body Ventral Ventral posterior Infundibulum Pituitary anterior lateral lateral (stalk of the gland pituitary gland) Ventral nuclei

(b)

Hypothalamus



Thalamus





Thalamus – "gateway" to the cerbral cortex

Afferent impulses from all senses converge and synapse in the thalamus

Impulses of similar function are sorted out, "edited", and relayed as a group to the appropriate area of the sensory cortex or association areas

All inputs ascending to the cerebral cortex pass through the thalamus

Plays a key role in mediating sensation, motor activities, cortical arousal, learning, and memory

The thalamus act as a translator for which various inputs are processed into a form readable by the <u>cerebral cortex</u>.

The thalamus is believed to both process and relay sensory information selectively to various parts of the cerebral cortex, as one thalamic point may reach one or several regions in the cortex.

The thalamus also plays an important role in regulating states of <u>sleep</u> and wakefulness. Thalamic nuclei have strong reciprocal connections with the cerebral cortex, forming <u>thalamo-cortico-thalamic circuits</u> that are believed to be involved with <u>consciousness</u>.

The thalamus plays a major role in regulating arousal, the level of awareness, and activity. <u>Damage to the thalamus can lead to permanent coma.</u>

This is at first the case for sensory systems (which excepts the olfactory function) <u>auditory</u>, <u>somatic</u>, <u>visceral</u>, <u>gustatory</u> and <u>visual systems</u> where localised lesions provoke particular sensory deficits.

A major role of the thalamus is devoted to "motor" systems.

This has been and continues to be a subject of interest for investigators. VIm, the relay of cerebellar afferences, is the target of stereotactians particularly for the improvement of <u>tremor</u>.

The role of the thalamus in the more anterior <u>pallidal</u> and <u>nigral</u> territories in the <u>basal</u> <u>ganglia</u> system disturbances is recognized but still poorly known. The contribution of the thalamus to vestibular or to <u>tectal</u> functions is almost ignored. The thalamus has been thought of as a "relay" that simply forwards signals to the cerebral cortex. Newer research suggests that thalamic function is more complicated.

Hypothalamus

forms the inferolateral walls of the third ventricle

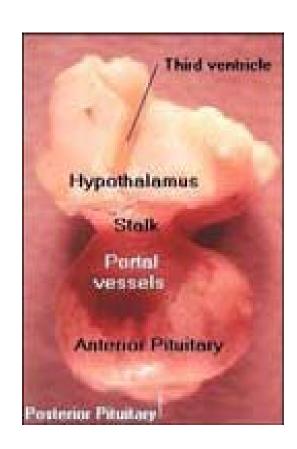
Mammillary bodies - small, paired nuclei bulging anteriorly from the hypothalamus - relay stations for olfactory pathways

Infundibulum – stalk of the hypothalamus connecting to the pituitary gland

Main visceral control center of the body important to overall body homeostasis

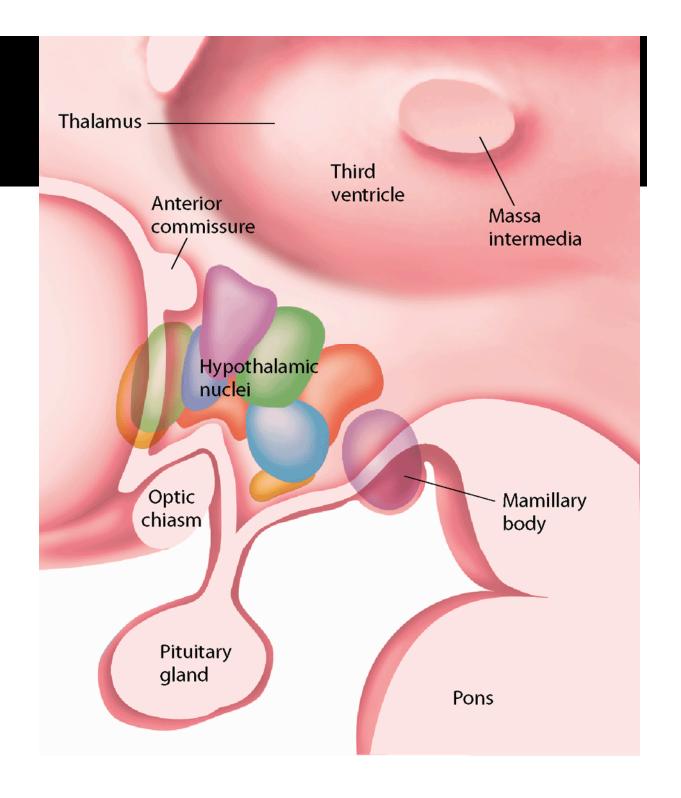
Hypothalamus

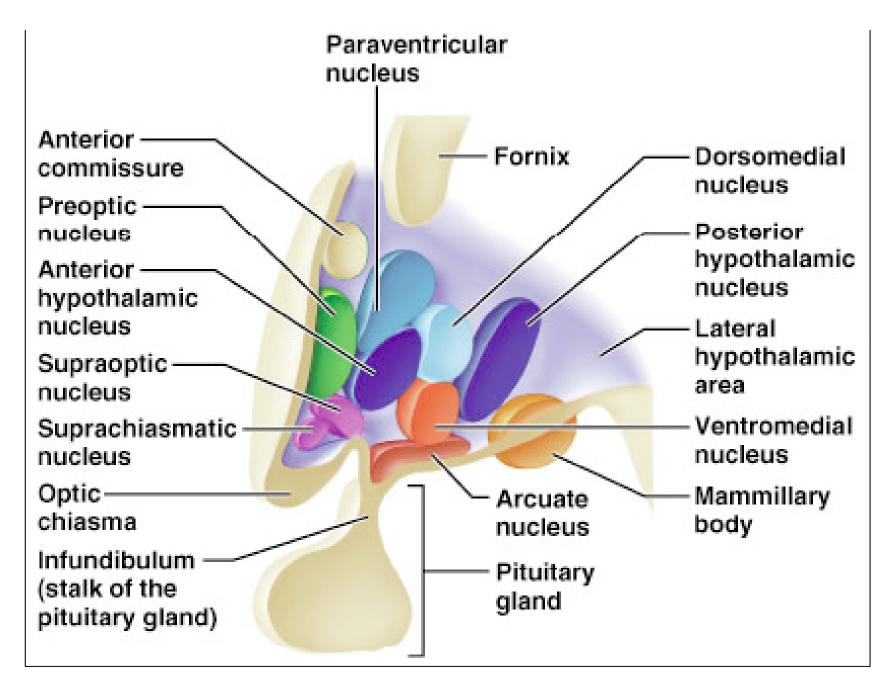
- Functions:
- Autonomic regulatory center
- Influences HR, BP, resp. rate, GI motility, pupillary diameter.
- Can you hold your breath until you die?
- Emotional response
- Involved in fear, loathing, pleasure
- Drive center: sex, hunger
- Regulation of body temperature
- Regulation of food intake
- Contains a satiety center
- Regulation of water balance and thirst
- Regulation of sleep/wake cycles
- Hormonal control
- Releases hormones that influence hormonal secretion from the anterior pituitary gland.



Hypothalamus

 A group of nuclei critical for regulating homeostasis, the four Fs, and hormones





Hypothalamic Nuclei

Hypothalamic Function

Regulates blood pressure, rate and force of heartbeat, digestive tract motility, respiratory rate and depth, pupil size, and many other visceral activities

Center for emotional response - involved in perception of pleasure, fear, rage

Regulates body temperature – the body's "thermostat"

Regulates food intake - feelings of hunger and satiety

Regulates sleep-wake cycle

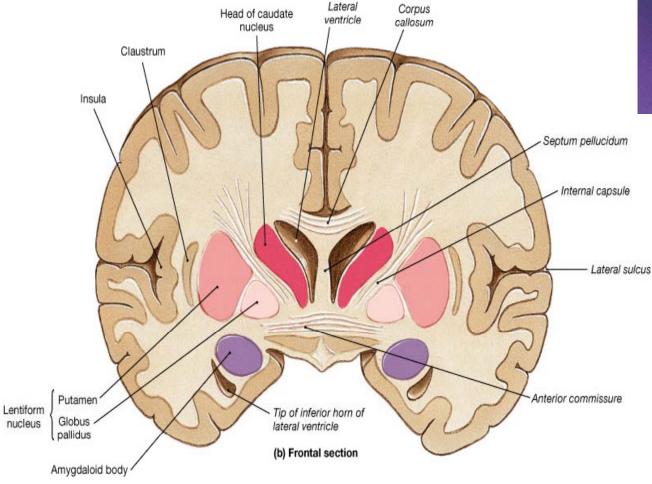
Endocrine Functions of the Hypothalamus

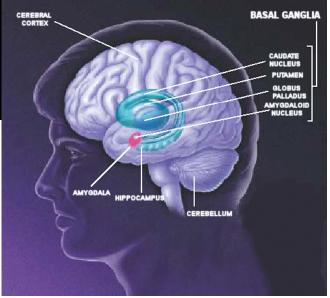
Releasing hormones control the secretion of hormones by the anterior pituitary

Stimulates ADH release from the posterior pituitary

Anti-diuretic hormone- causes kidneys to retain water

Basal nuclei





Basal Nuclei

Caudate nucleus: control

walking movements

Amygdala: subconscious

visual processing

Claustrum: subconscious

visual processing

Putamen: control walking

movements

Globus pallidus:

controls/adjusts appendicular muscle tone

Figure 12.10c: Types of fiber tracts in white matter, p. 442.

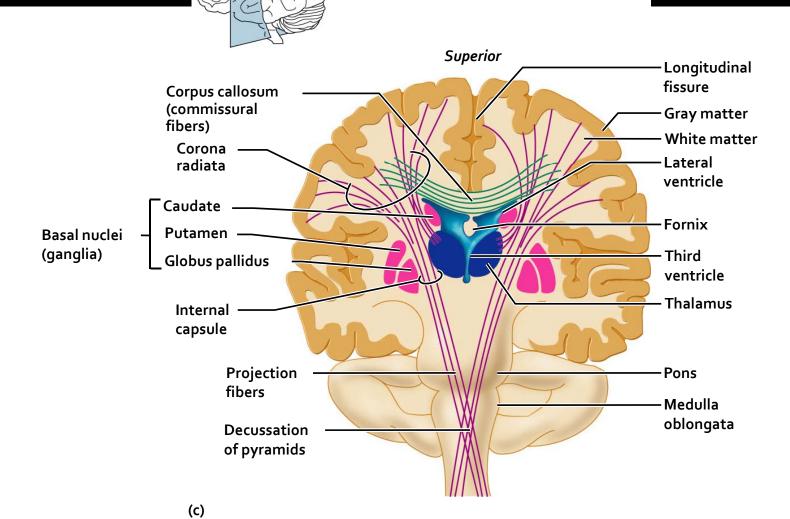
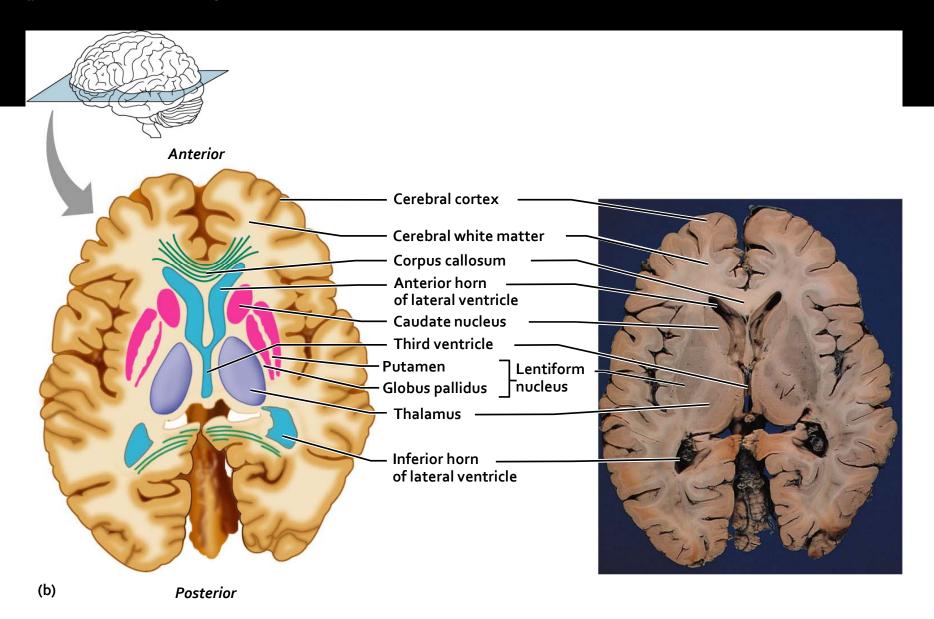
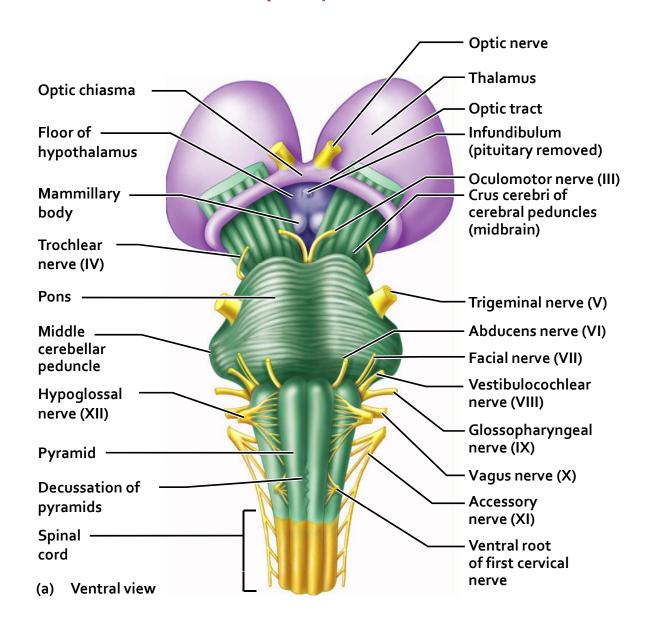
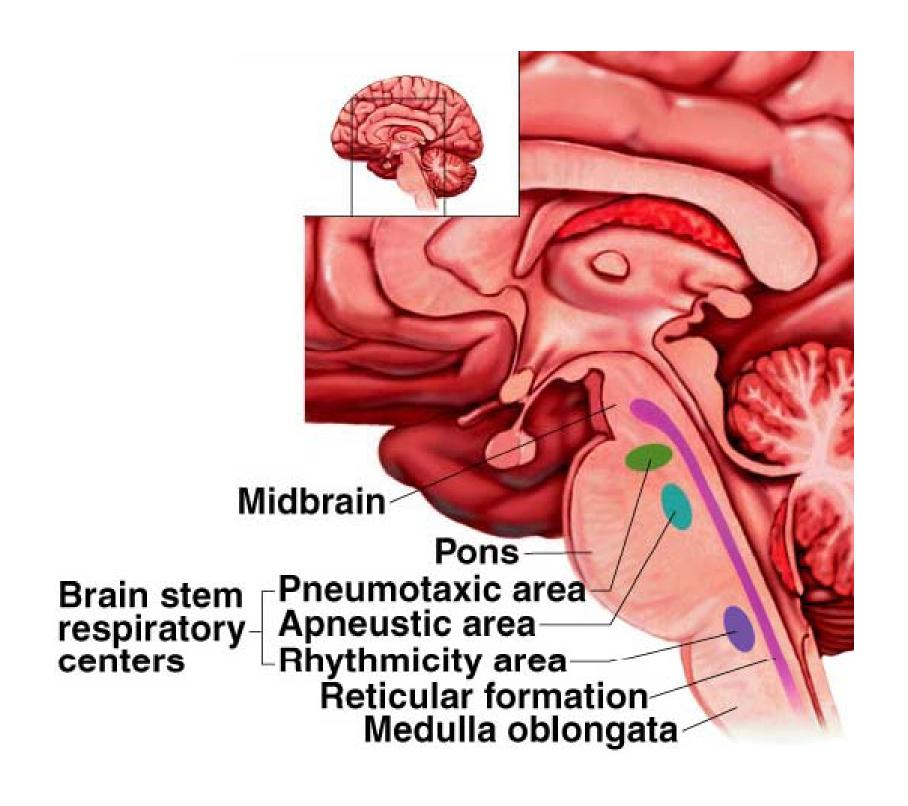


Figure 12.11b: Basal nuclei, p. 444.



Relationship of the brain stem and the diencephalon,





: Relationship of the brain stem and the diencephalon, p. 448.

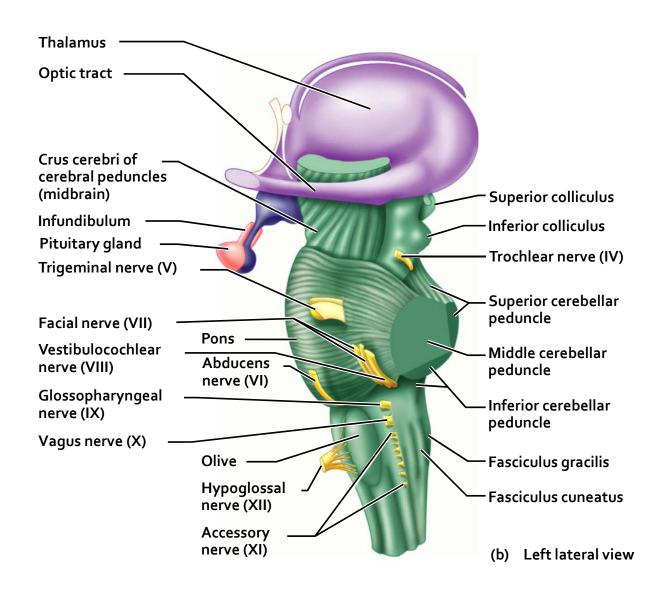
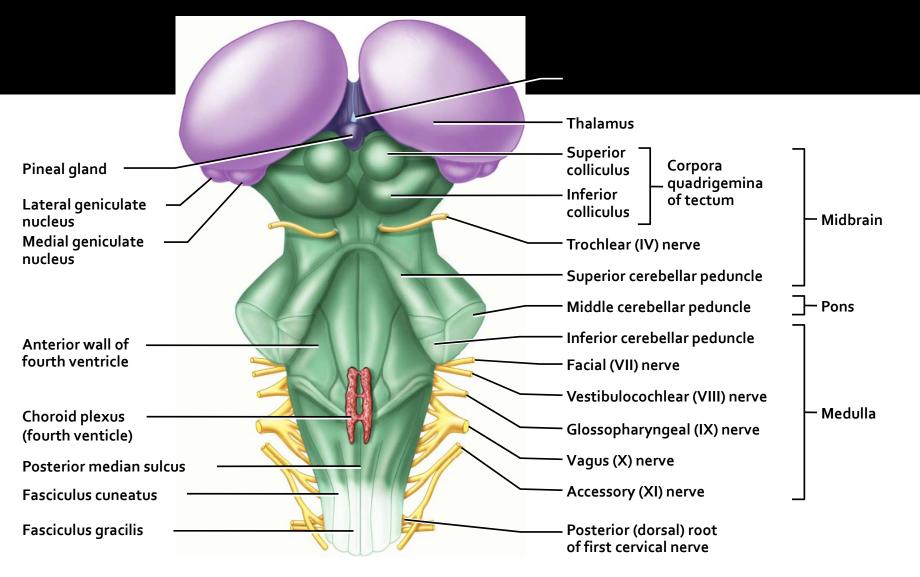


Figure 12.15c: Relationship of the brain stem and the diencephalon, p. 449.



(c) Dorsal view

Figure 12.16a: Important brain stem nuclei, p. 450.

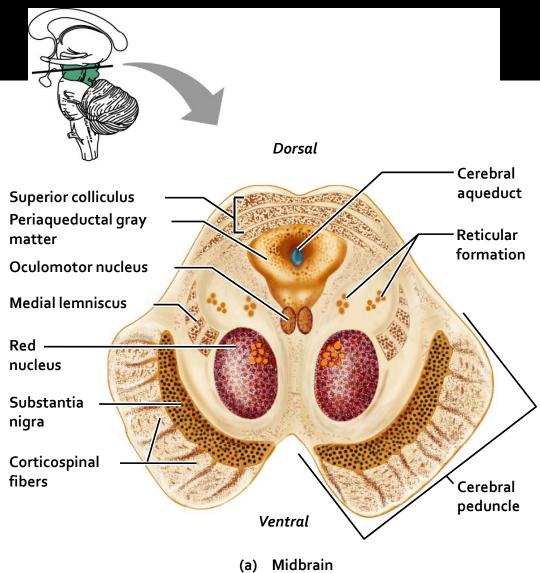
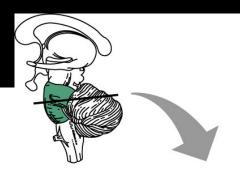
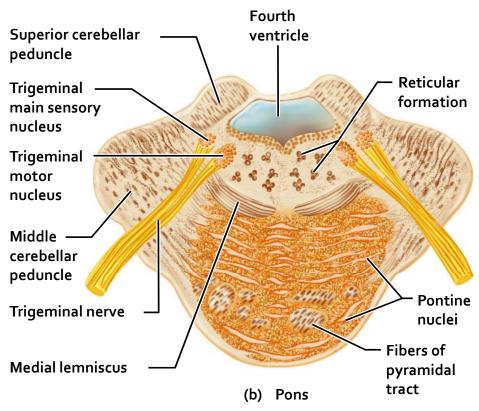


Figure 12.16b: Important brain stem nuclei, p. 450.





Pons:

Connects other parts.

several nuclei associated with cranial nerves

respiratory centers.

Cerebellum:

"little brain"

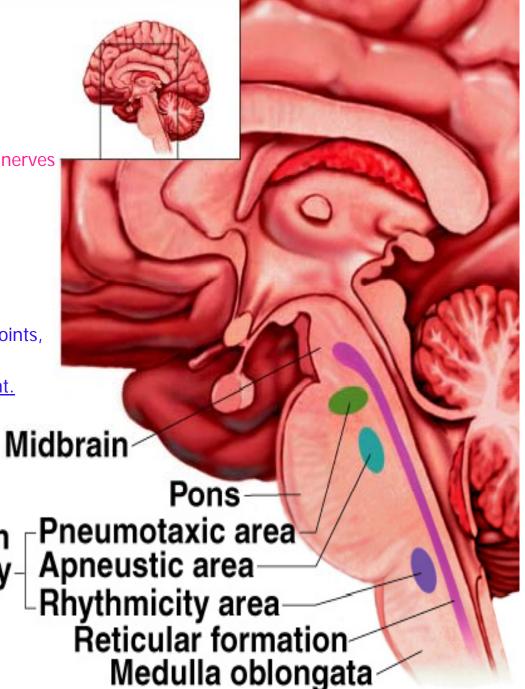
Receives input from proprioceptors (joints, muscles, tendons).

Brain stem

respiratory-

centers

Refinement/coordination of movement.



Function: adjusting posture (semiconscious, via red nucleus), CEREBELLUM program/fine tune voluntary & involuntary movements. Is ipsilateral

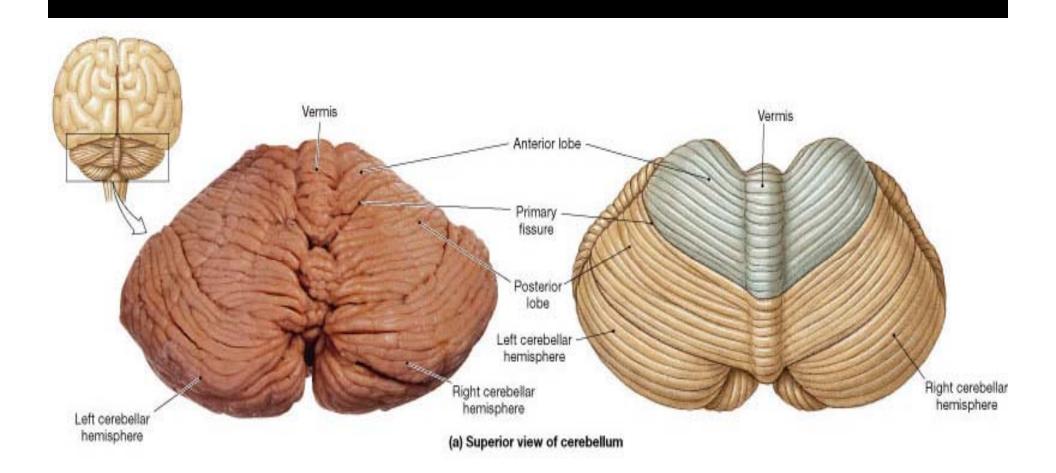
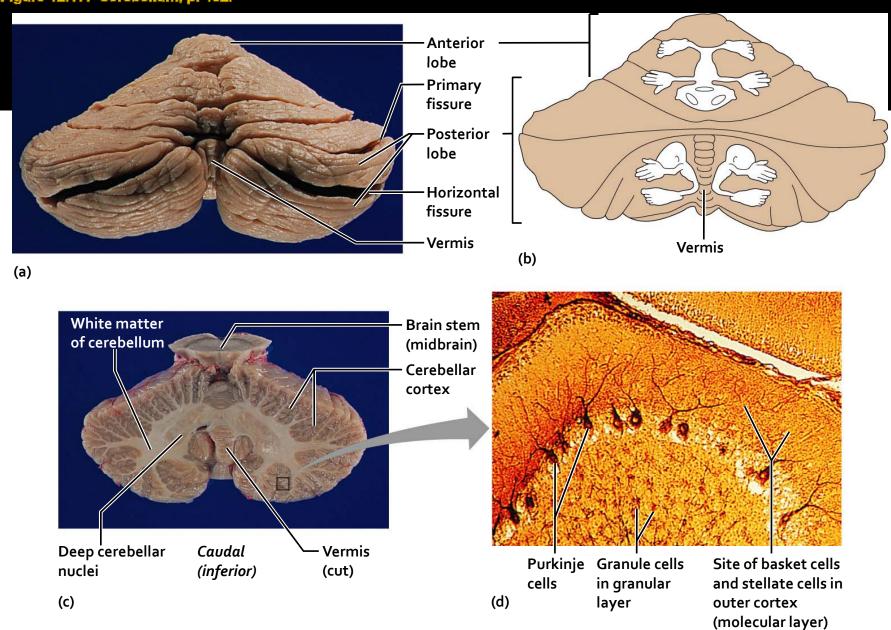


Figure 12.17: Cerebellum, p. 452.



Cerebellum

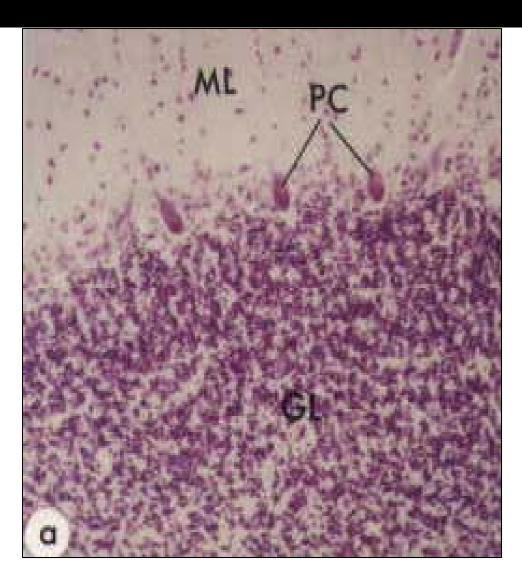
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Cerebellum

- Cerebellar cortex consists of 3 layers
- Outer molecular (ML)

 few neurons but
 abundant neuronal
 processes
- Inner granular layer (GL) with many densely packed granular cells
- Layer of Purkinje cells

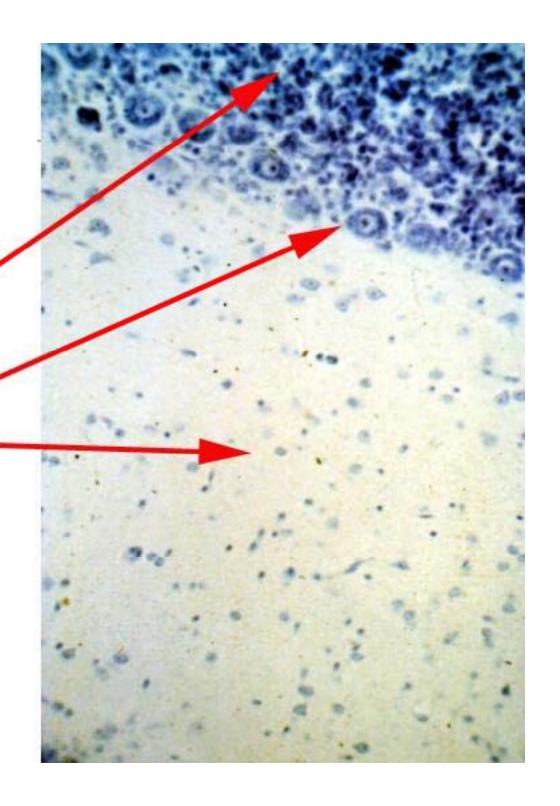


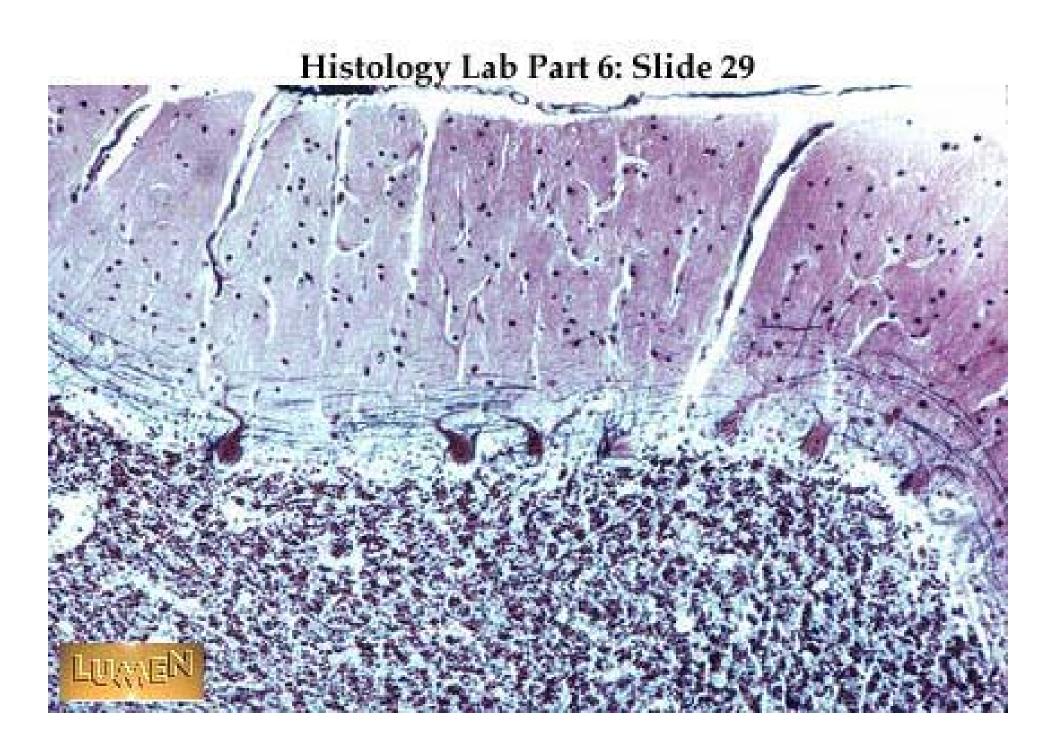
 Layers in the cerebellar cortex

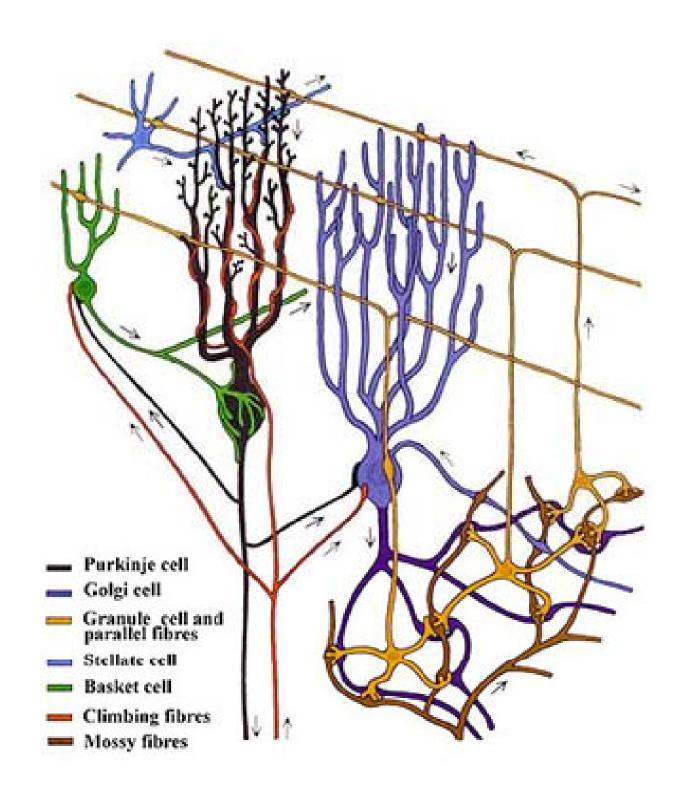
■ Granule layer

Purkinje cell layer.

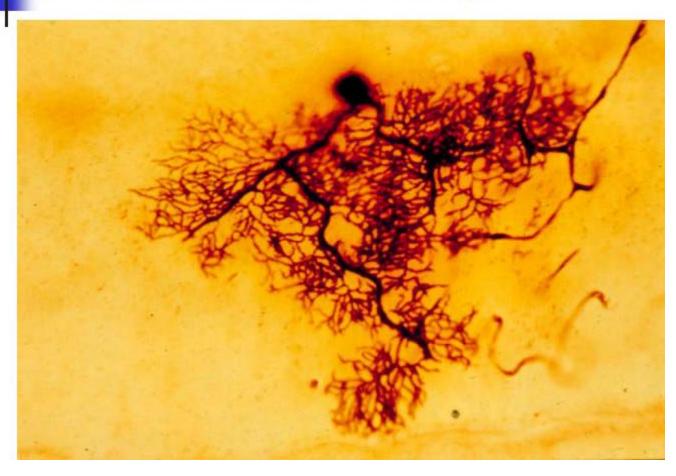
Molecular layer





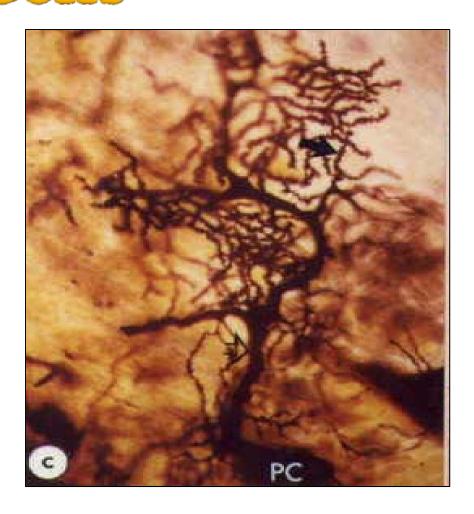


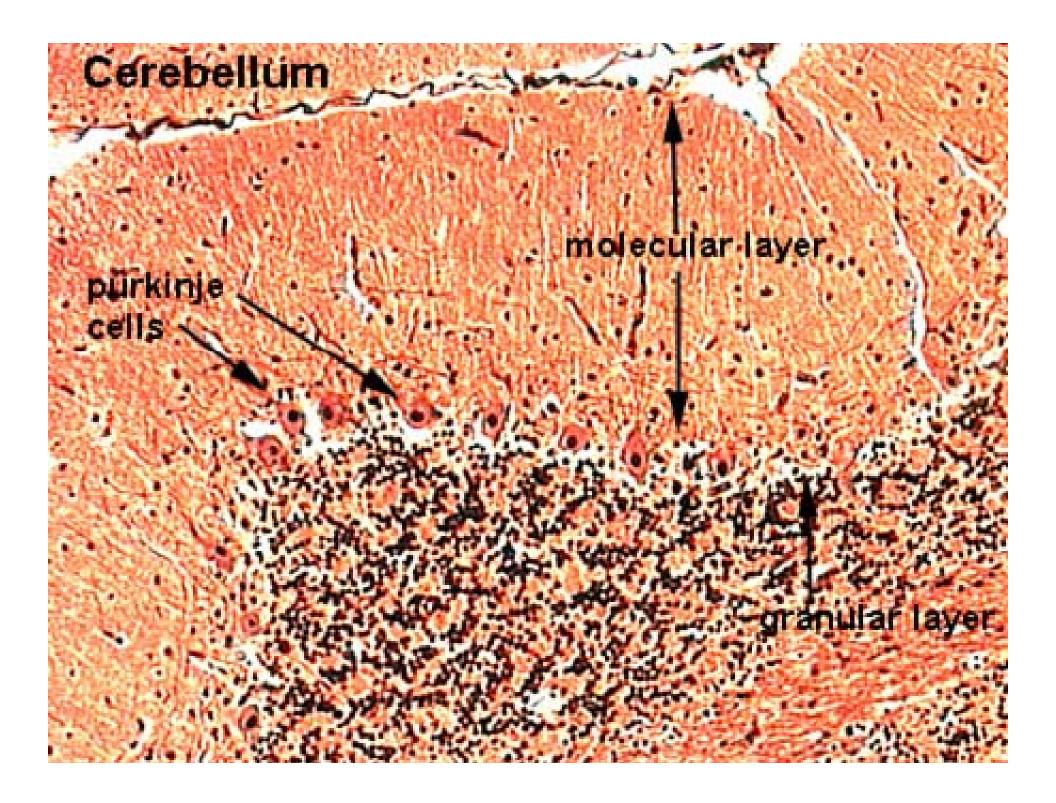


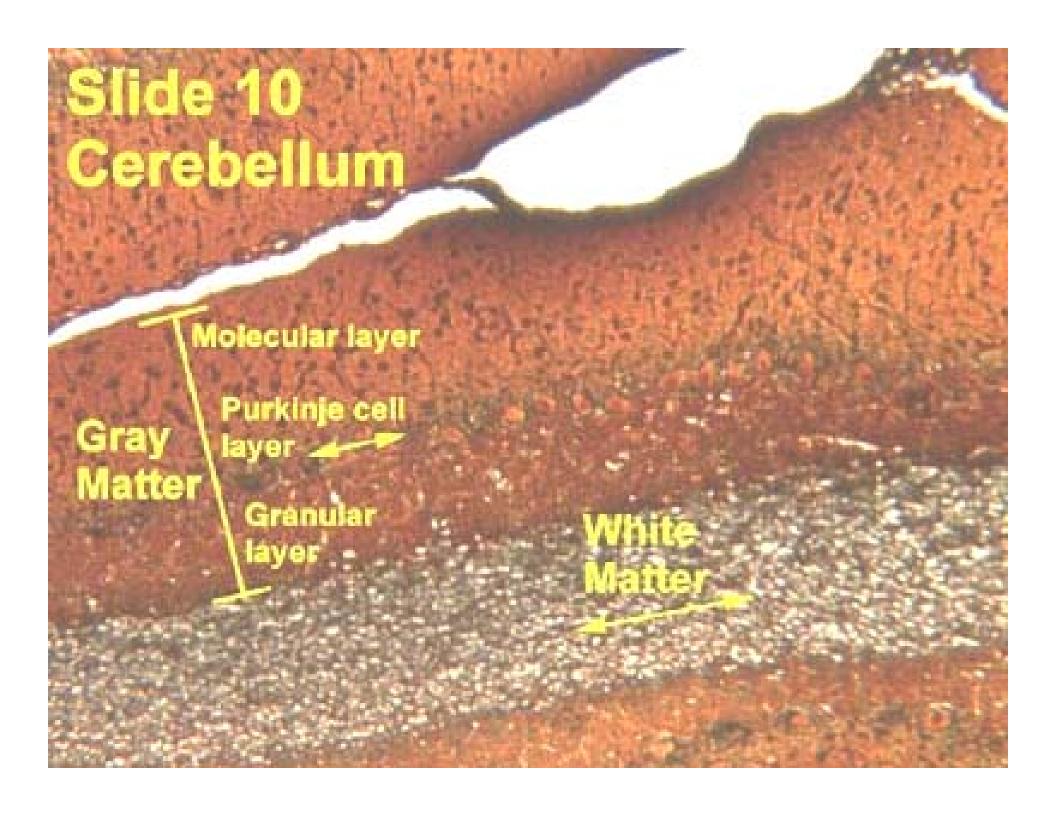


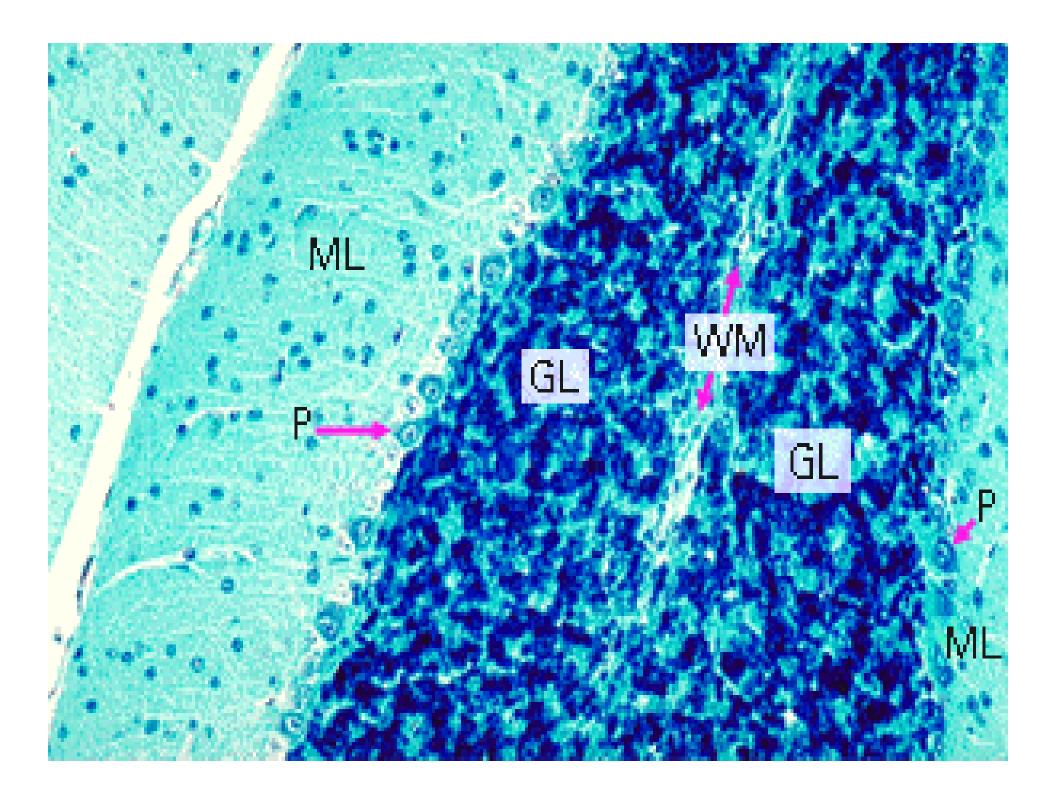
Cerebellum – Purkinje Cells

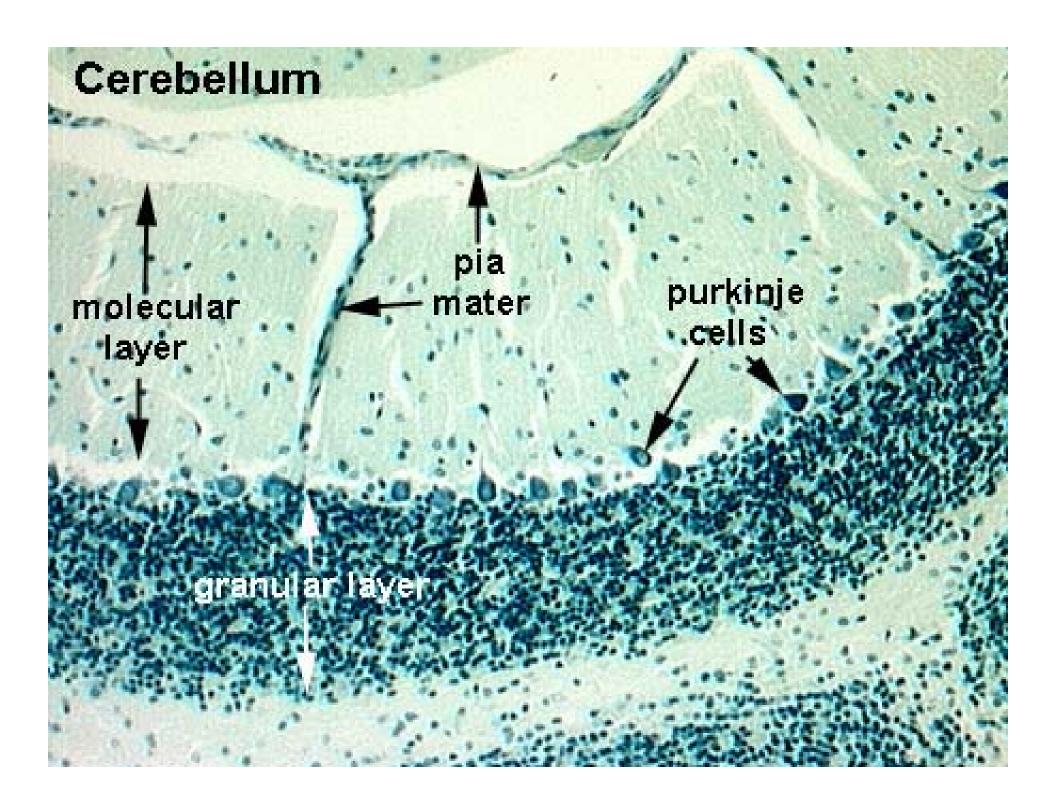
- Purkinje cell with elaborate dendritic tree
- Initial branches are larger & smooth with later (tertiary) branches spinous

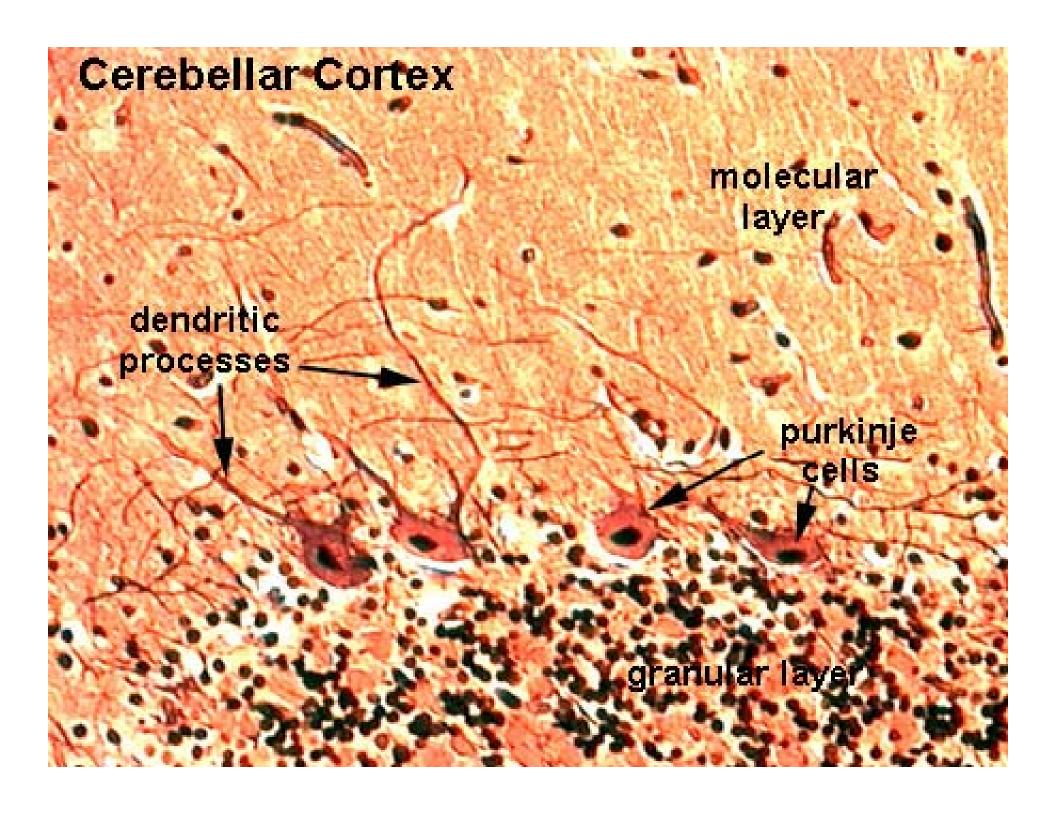


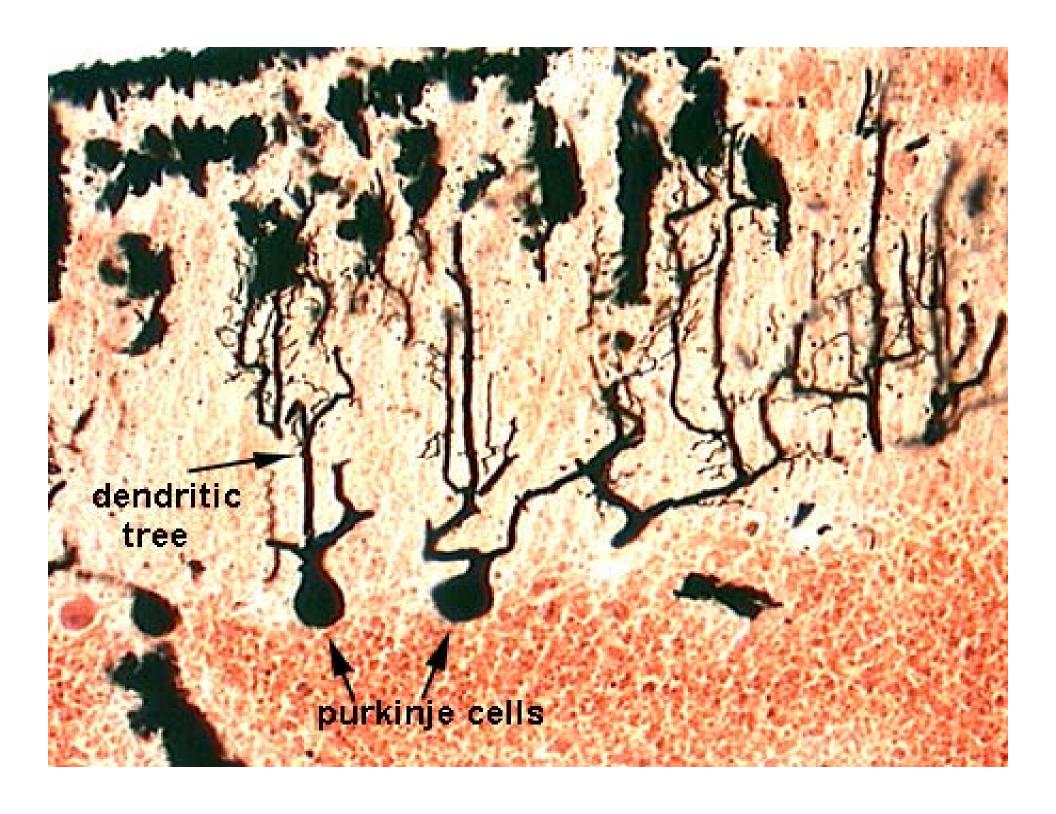


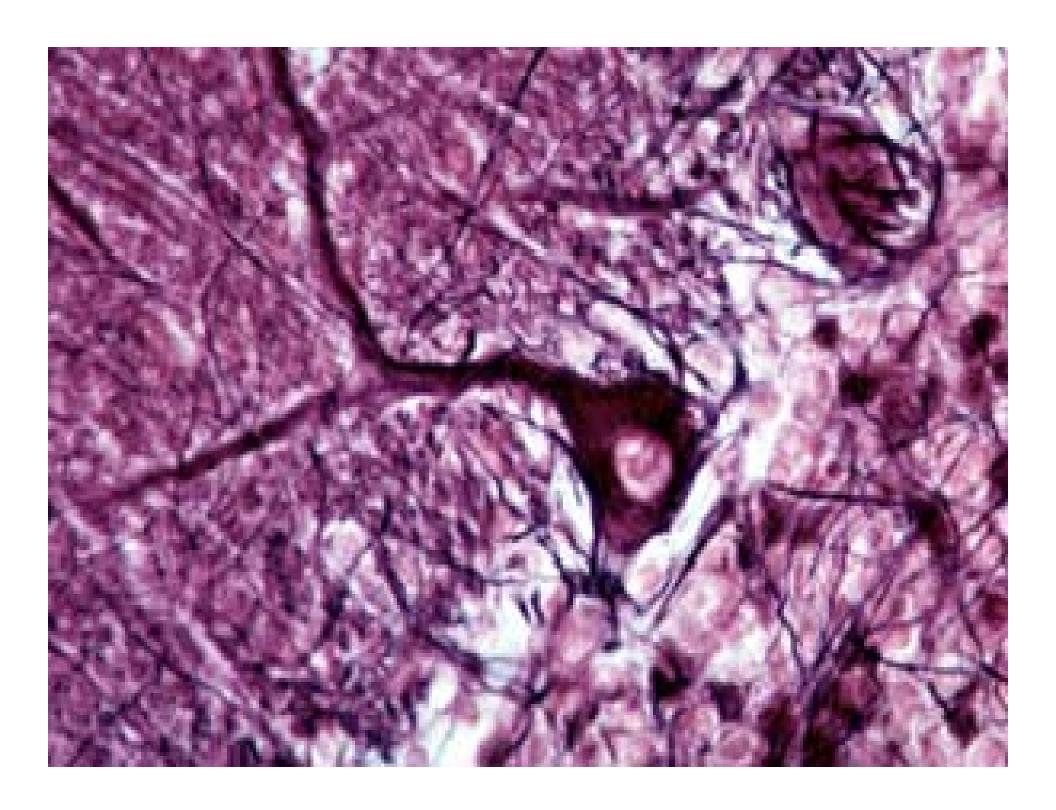








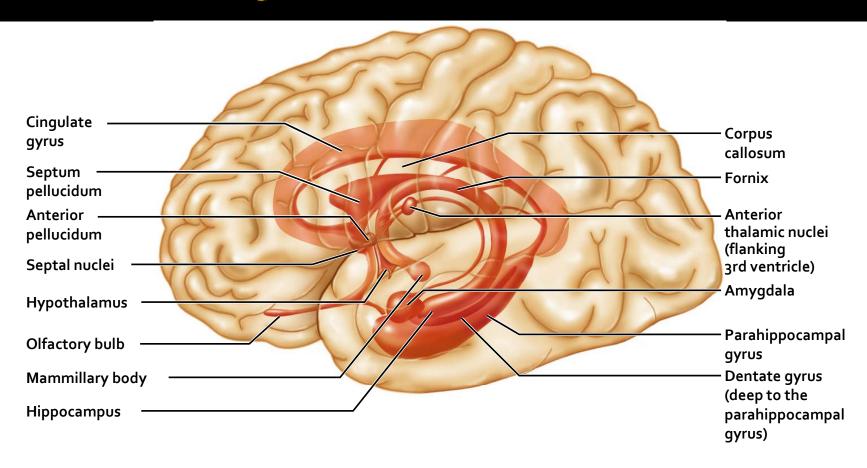




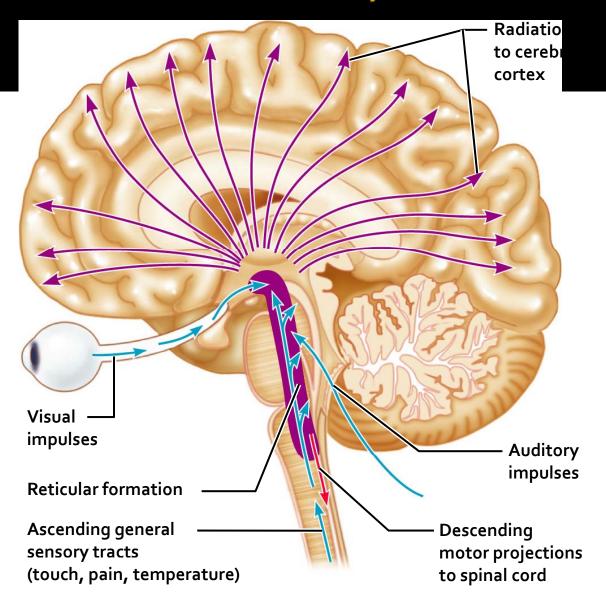
LIMBIC SYSTEM

The limbic system operates by influencing the endocrine system and the autonomic nervous system

The limbic system,.

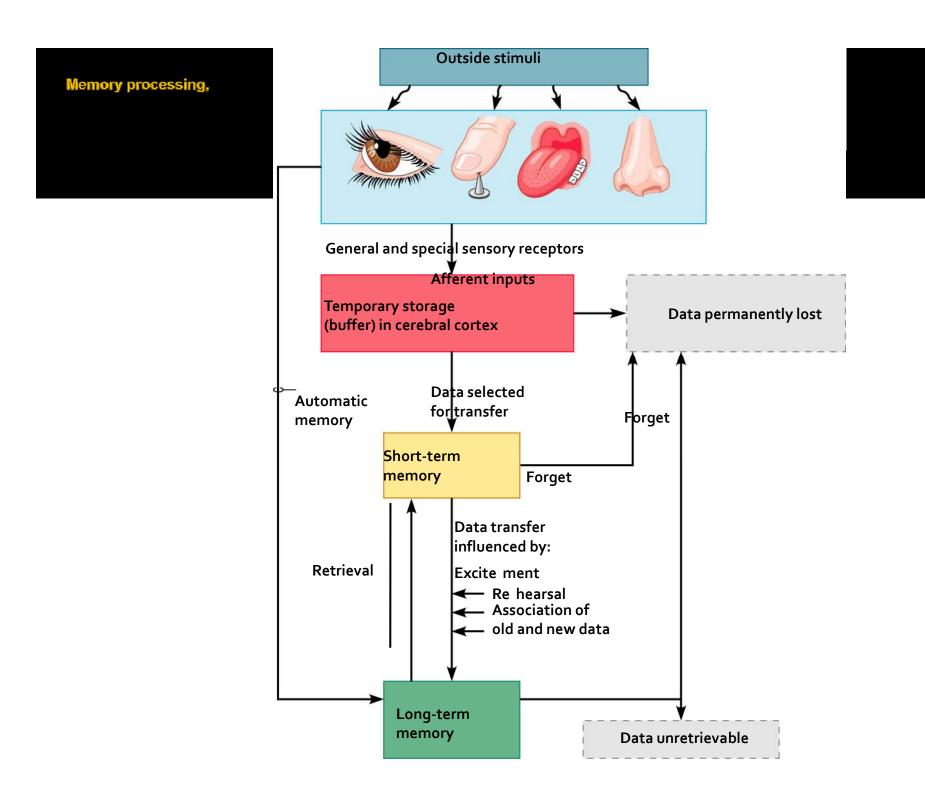


The reticular formation,



Memory

- Memory is the storage and retrieval of information
- The three principles of memory are:
 - Storage occurs in stages and is continually changing
 - Processing accomplished by the hippocampus and surrounding structures
 - Memory traces chemical or structural changes that encode memory



Stages of Memory

- The two stages of memory are short-term memory and long-term memory
- Short-term memory (STM, or working memory) – a fleeting memory of the events that continually happen
- STM lasts seconds to hours and is limited to 7 or 8 pieces of information
- Long-term memory (LTM) has limitless capacity

Transfer from STM to LTM

STM to LTM include:

- Emotional state we learn best when we are alert, motivated, and aroused
- Rehearsal repeating or rehearsing material enhances memory
- Association associating new information with old memories in LTM enhances memory
- Automatic memory subconscious information stored in LTM

Categories of Memory

- The two categories of memory are fact memory and skill memory
- Fact (declarative) memory:
 - Entails learning explicit information
 - Is related to our conscious thoughts and our language ability
 - Is stored with the context in which it was learned

Skill Memory

- Skill memory is less conscious than fact memory and involves motor activity
- It is acquired through practice
- Skill memories do not retain the context in which they were learned

Structures Involved in Fact Memory

- Fact memory involves the following brain areas:
 - Hippocampus and the amygdala, both limbic system structures
 - Specific areas of the thalamus and hypothalamus of the diencephalon
 - Ventromedial prefrontal cortex and the basal forebrain

Structures Involved in Skill Memory

- Skill memory involves:
 - Corpus striatum mediates the automatic connections between a stimulus and a motor response
 - Portion of the brain receiving the stimulus
 - Premotor and motor cortex

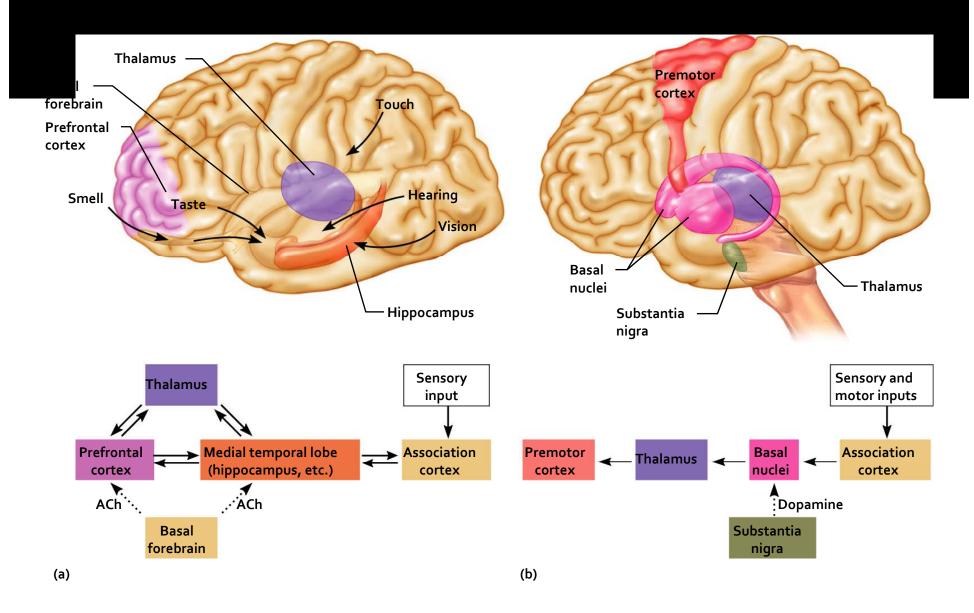
Mechanisms of Memory

- Dendritic spines change shape
- Extracellular proteins are deposited at synapses involved in LTM
- Number and size of presynaptic terminals may increase
- More neurotransmitter is released by presynaptic neurons
- New hippocampal neurons appear

Mechanisms of Memory

- Long-term potentiation (LTP) is involved and is mediated by NMDA receptors
- Synaptic events involve the binding of brainderived neurotropic factor (BDNF)
- BDNF is involved with Na⁺, Ca²⁺, and Mg²⁺ influence at synapses

Figure 12.23: Proposed memory circuits, p. 462.



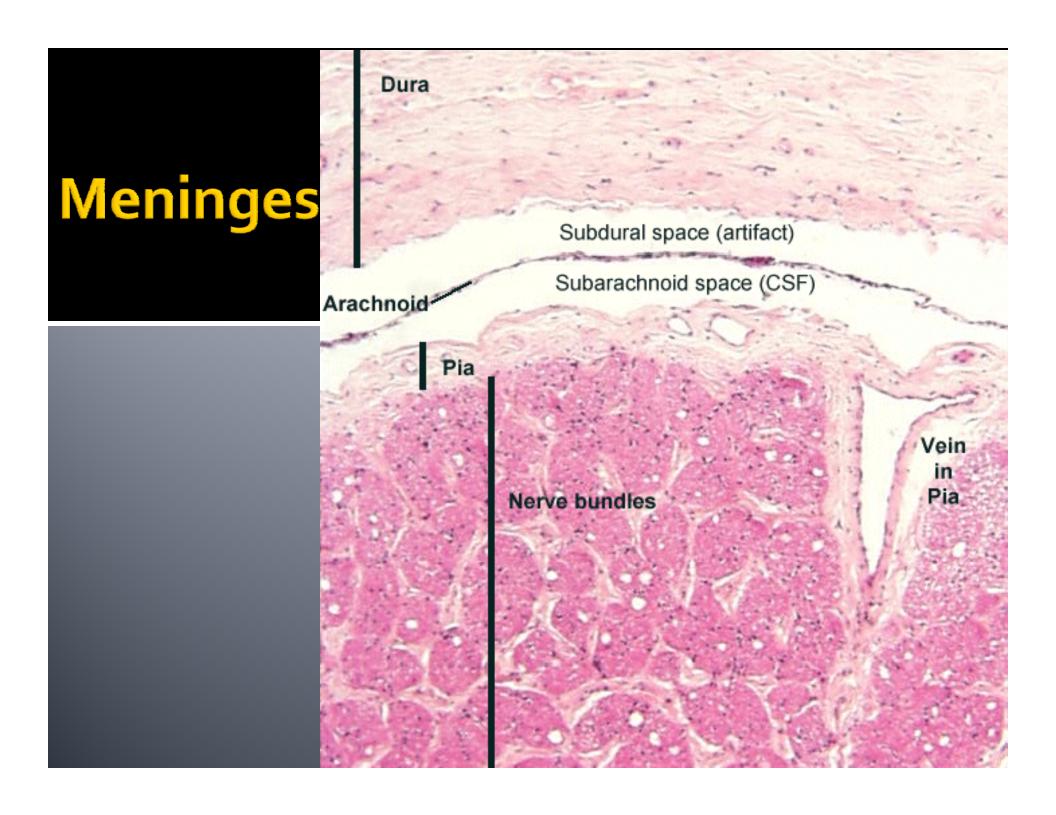
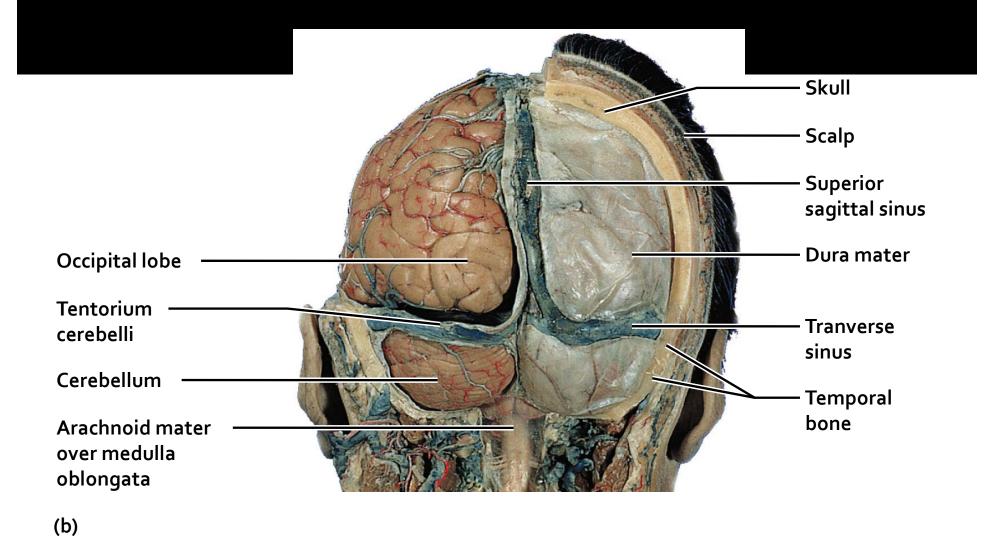
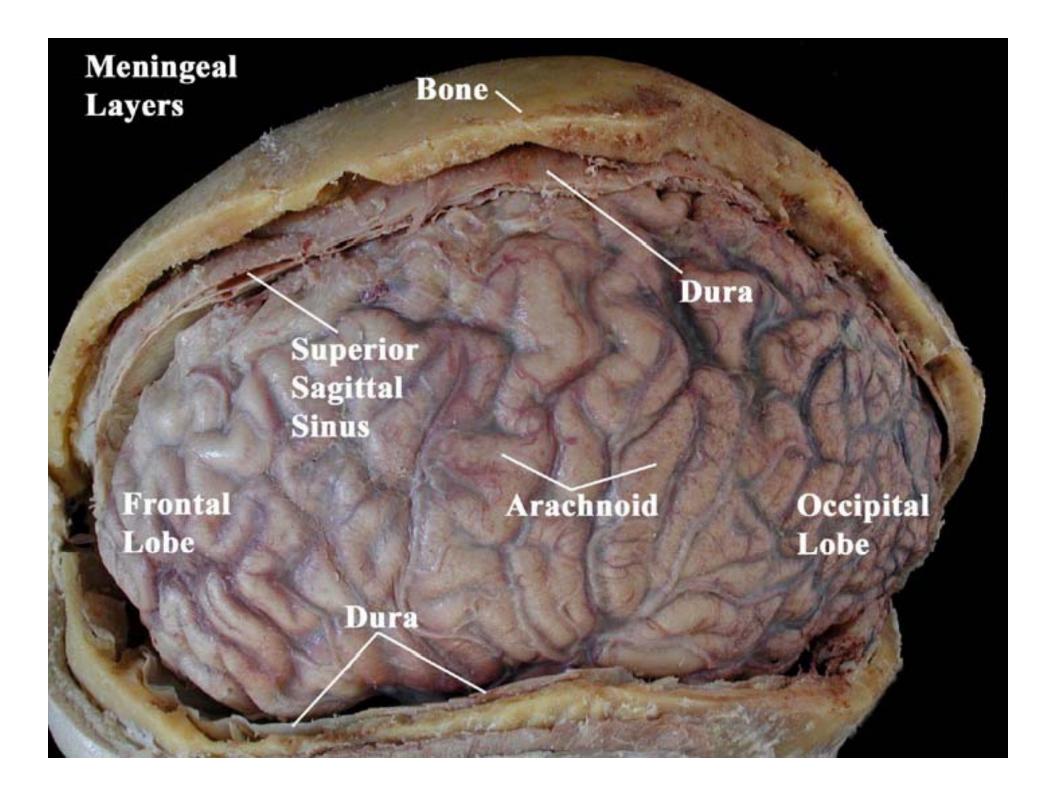
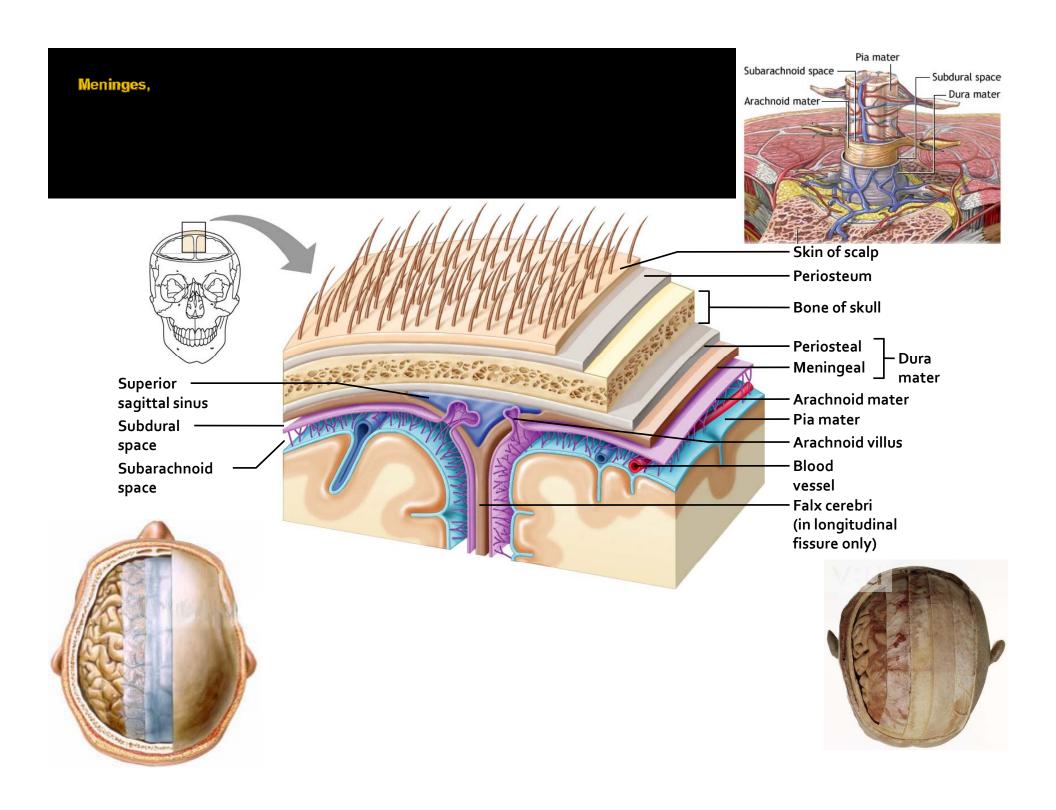
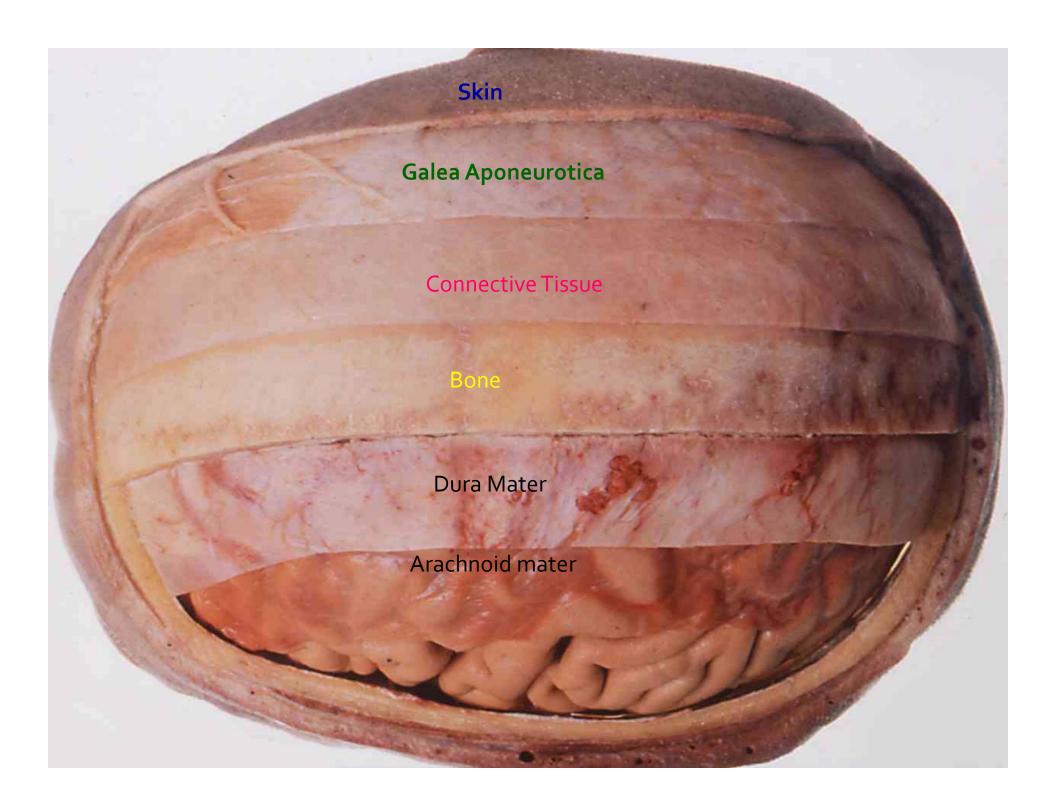


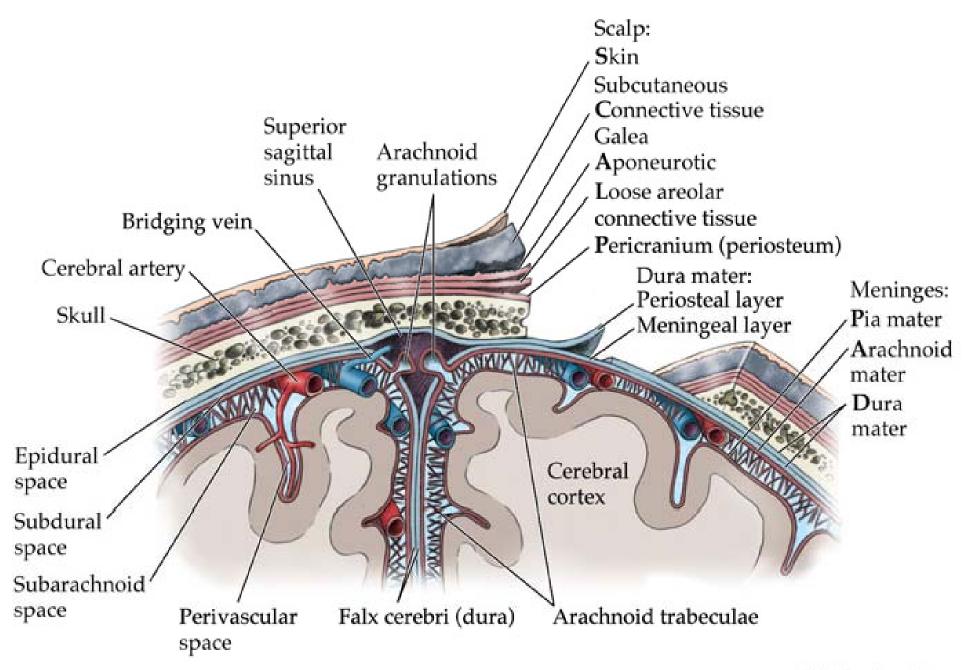
Figure 12.24b: Meninges, p. 464.





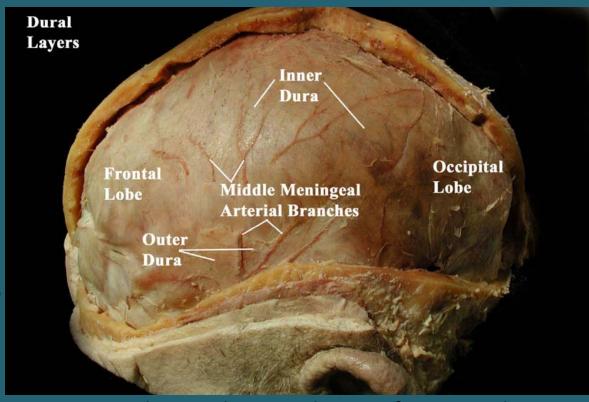






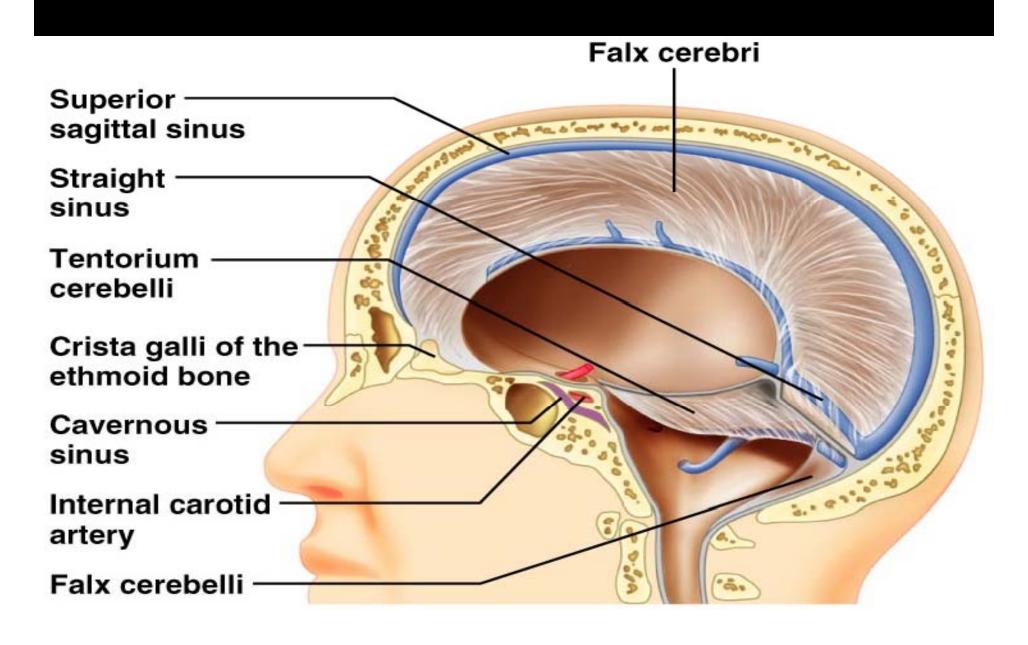
Dura Mater

- Tough and leathery.
- Most superficial.
- 2 layers:
 - Periosteal → attached to the skull
 - Meningeal → true
 external covering, extends
 downward and surrounds
 spinal cord



• In several locations, the inner dura mater extends in to the cranial cavity, forming a sheet that dips inward and then returns. These dural folds provide additional support for the brain. Dural sinuses may be found btwn the 2 layers of a dural fold.

Dura Mater



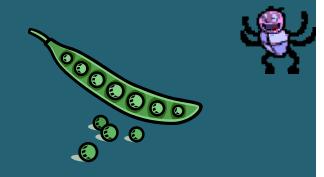
Arachnoid and Pia Mater

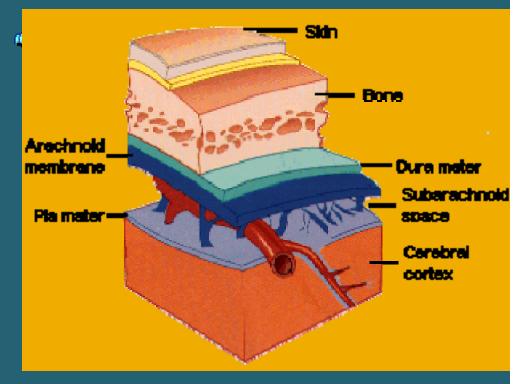
Arachnoid

- Loose spider-web of connective tissue.
- Beneath it is the subarachnoid space – filled with blood vessels and CSF

Pia

- Deepest and most delicate
- Covers the brain tissue
- Follows its every ridge and groove
- What do you call an inflammation of the meninges?





Blood-Brain Barrier

Protective mechanism that helps maintain a stable environment for the brain

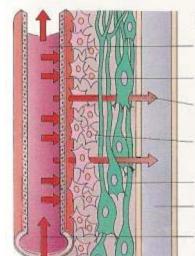
Bloodborne substances are separated from neurons by: Continuous endothelium of capillary walls

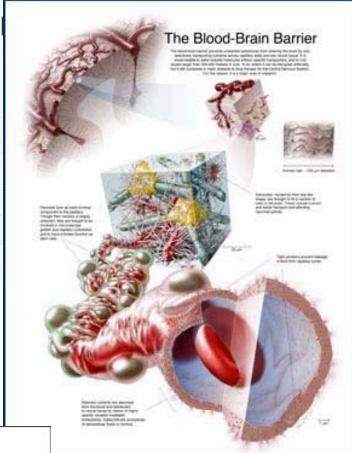
Relatively thick basal lamina Bulbous feet of astrocytes

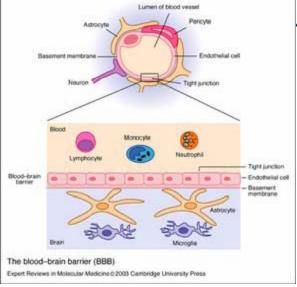
Blood-Brain Barrier: Functions

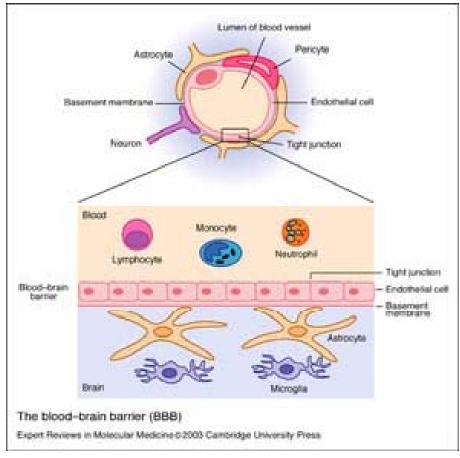
Selective barrier that allows nutrients to pass freely Is ineffective against substances that can diffuse through plasma membranes

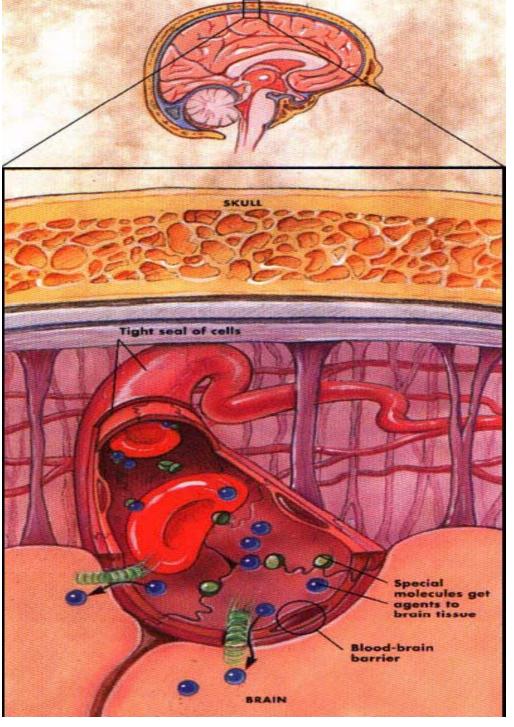
Absent in some areas (vomiting center and the hypothalamus), allowing these areas to monitor the chemical composition of the blood Stress increases the ability of chemicals to pass through the blood-brain barrier







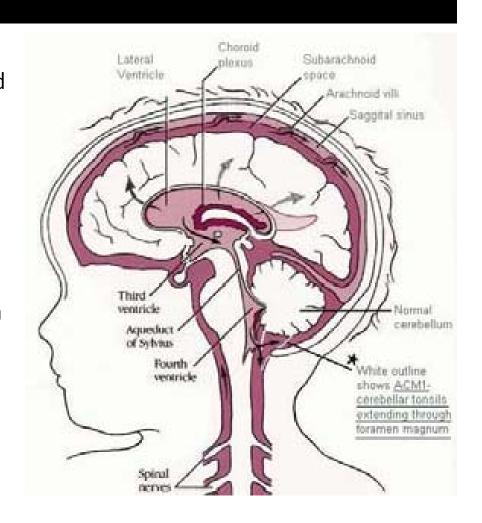




CSF

Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)

- •Watery solution similar in composition to blood plasma
- •Contains less protein and different ion concentrations than plasma
- •Forms a liquid cushion that gives buoyancy to the CNS organs
- •Prevents the brain from crushing under its own weight
- Protects the CNS from blows and other trauma
- •Nourishes the brain and carries chemical signals throughout it
- •HYDROCEPHALUS WHEN CSF DO NOT CIRCULATE INCREASING ITS PRESSURE



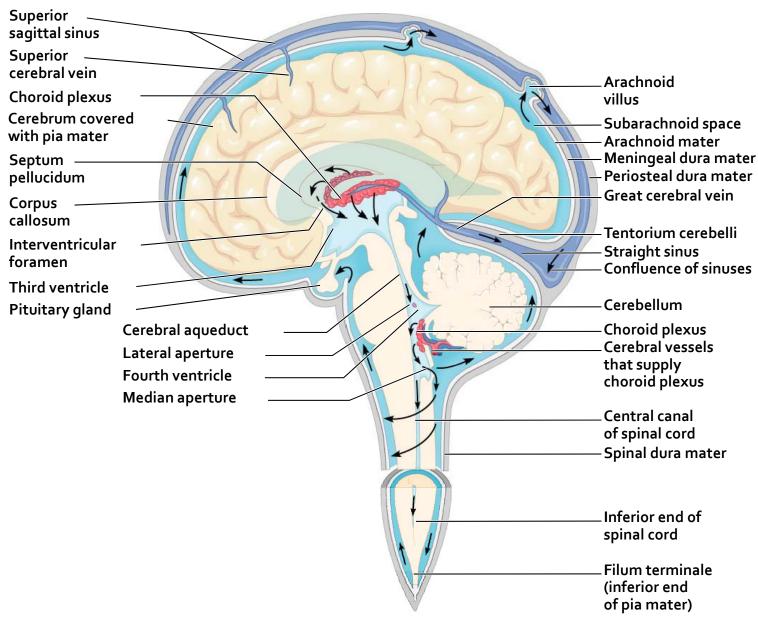
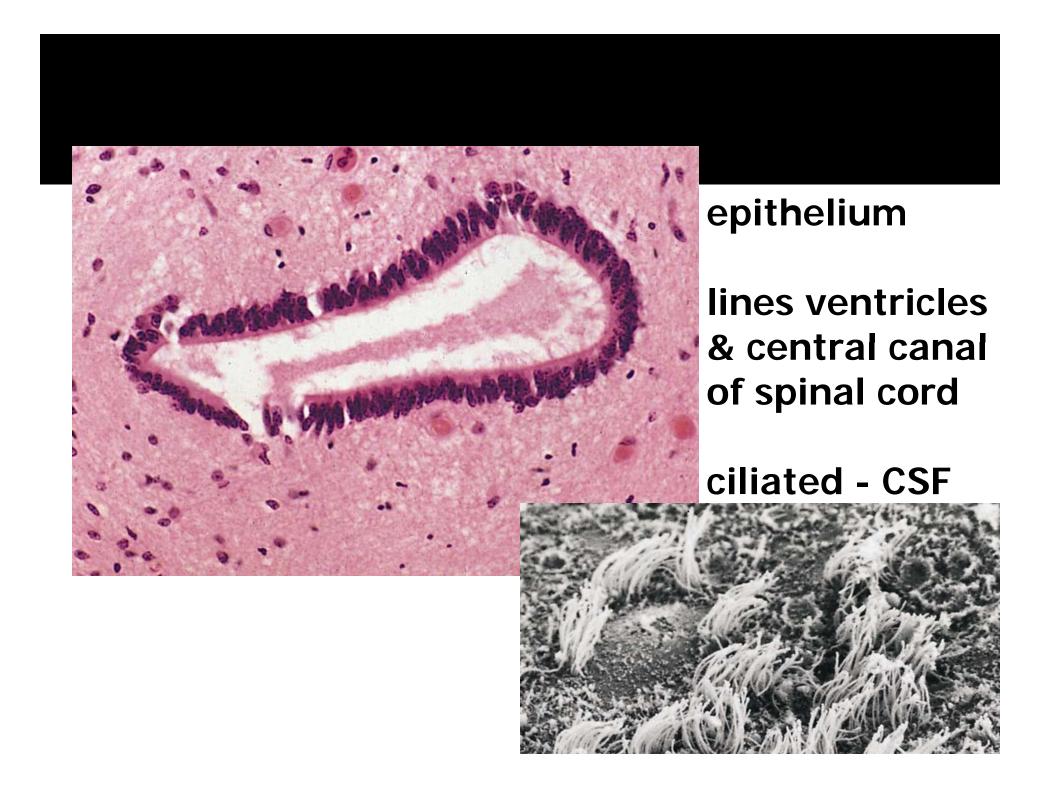
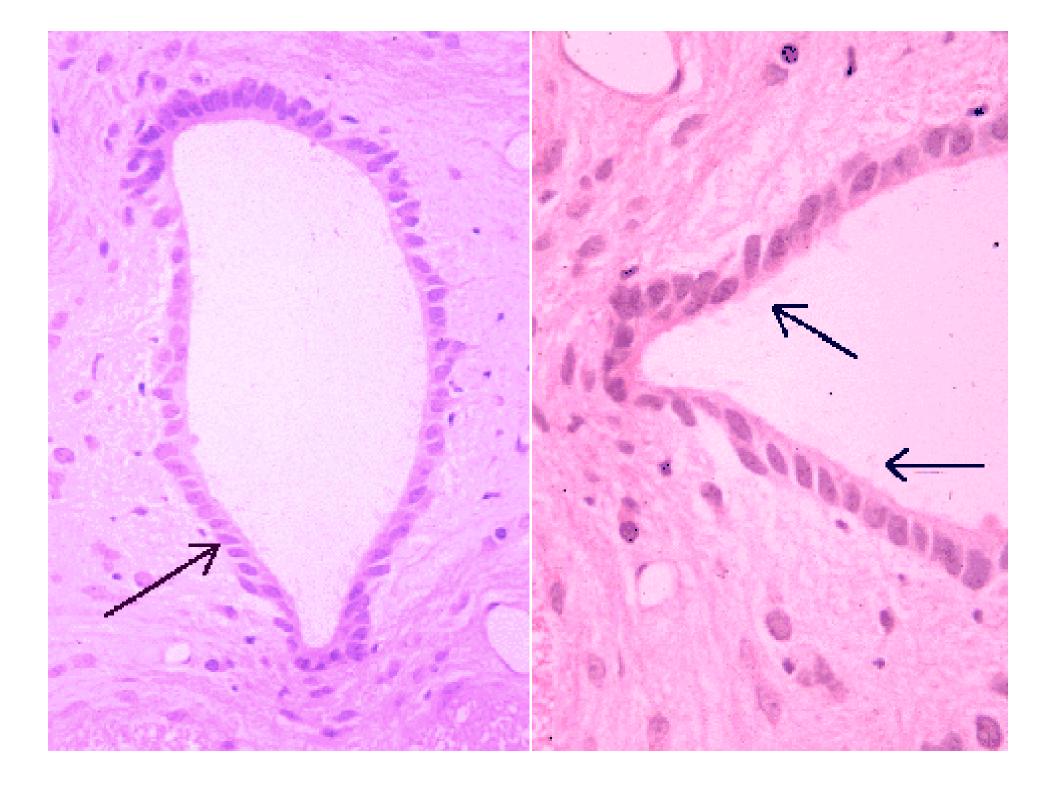
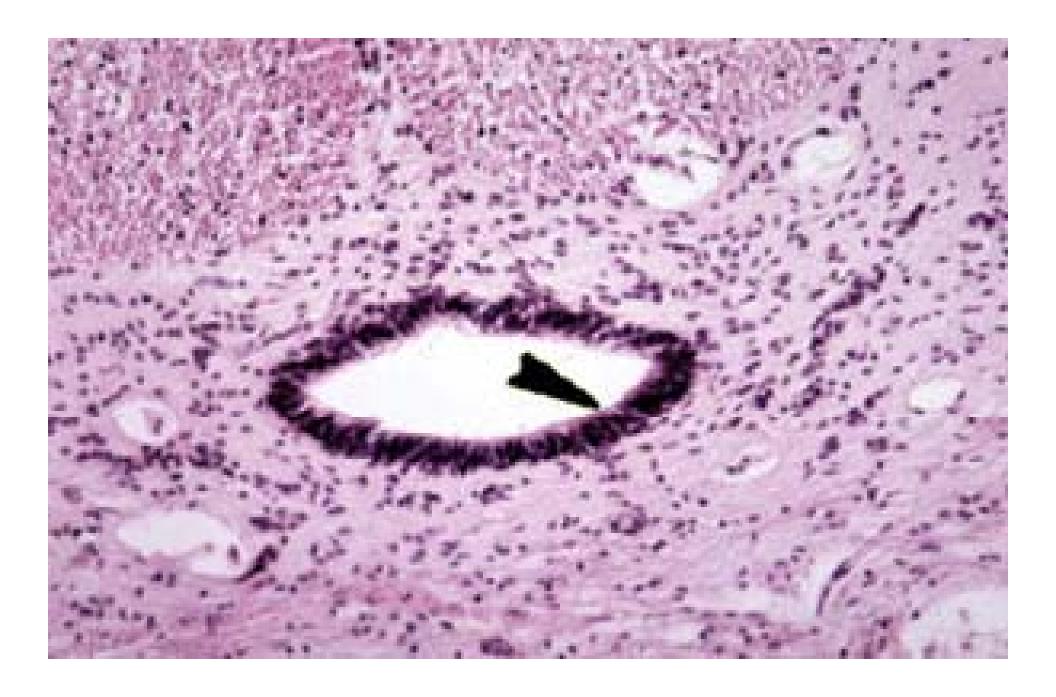


Figure 12.26: Formation, location, and circulation of CSF, p. 466.







EPENDYMA

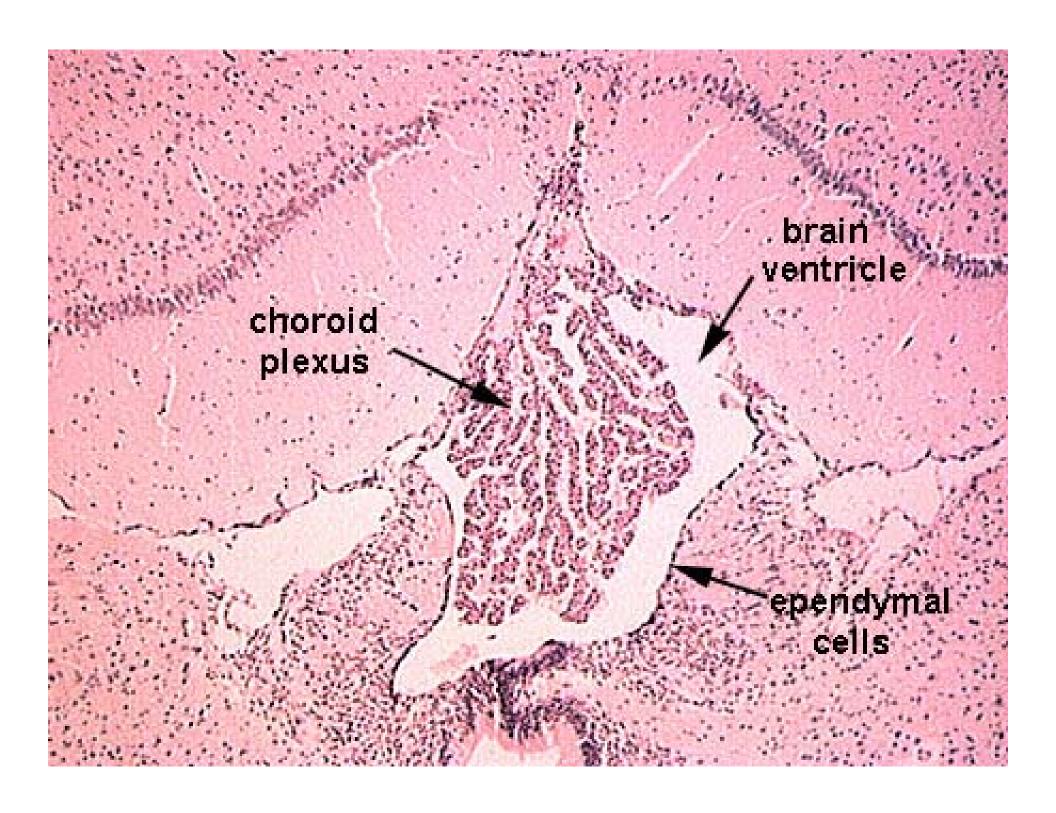


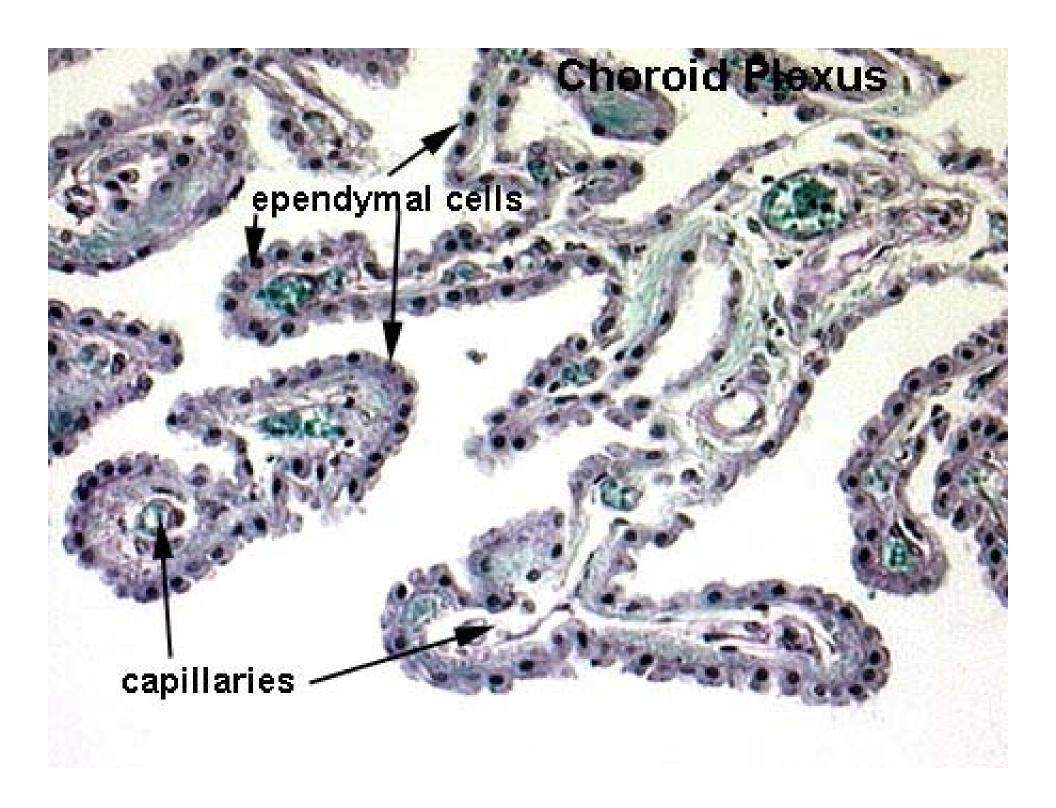
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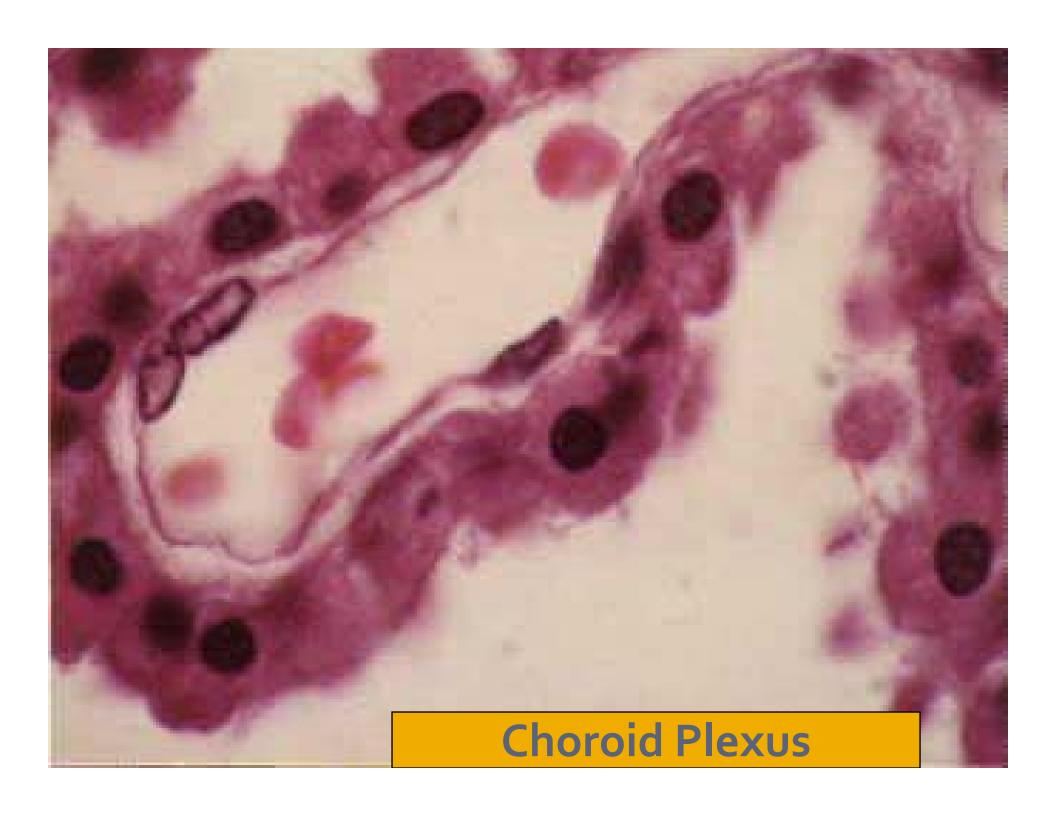
secrete cerebrospinal fluid (CSF)



SEM of choroid plexus





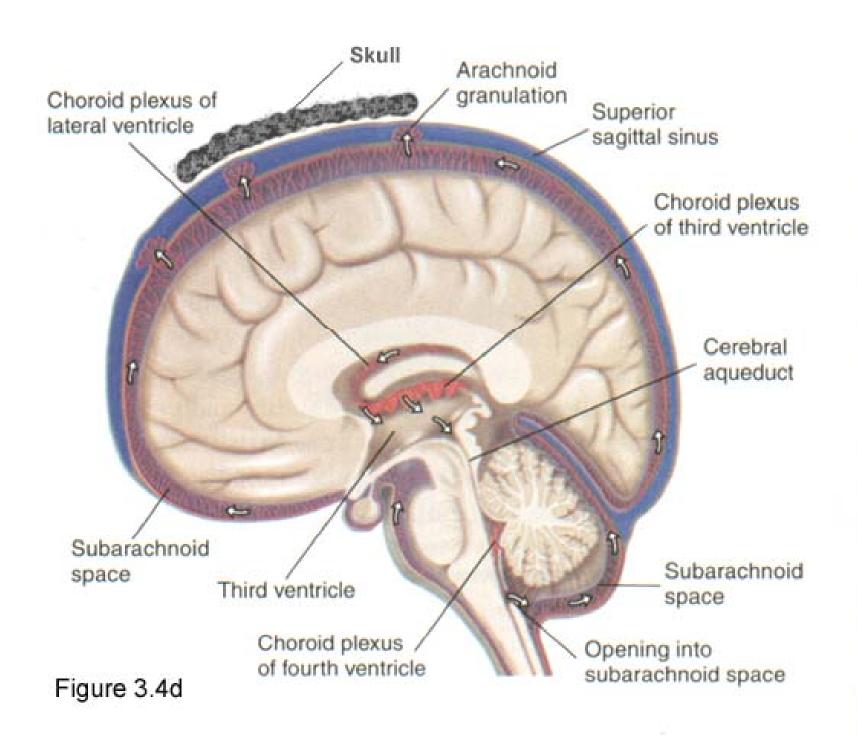


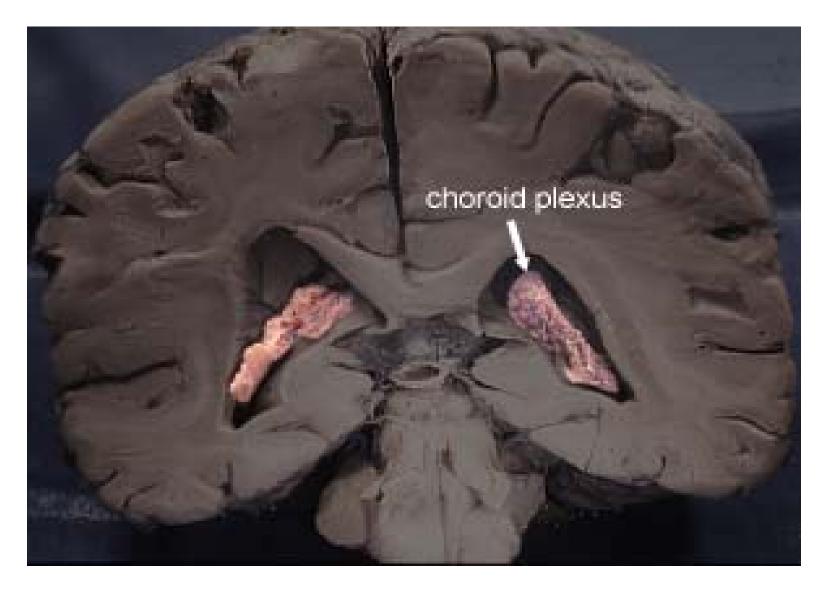
TANYCYTES

Specialized ependymal cells that extend processes into hypothalamus.

Processes terminate near blood vessels and neurosecretory cells

?Transport CSF or substances in the CSF to neurosecretory cells.





choroid plexus

- •It <u>produces the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF)</u> which is found within the ventricles of the brain and in the subarachnoid space around the brain and spinal cord.
- •It is comprised of a rich capillary bed, pia mater, and choroid epithelial cells.
- •It is located in certain parts of the ventricular system of the brain.

Types of Sleep

- There are two major types of sleep:
 - Non-rapid eye movement (NREM)
 - Rapid eye movement (REM)
- One passes through four stages of NREM during the first 30-45 minutes of sleep
- REM sleep occurs after the fourth NREM stage has been achieved

Types and Stages of Sleep: NREM

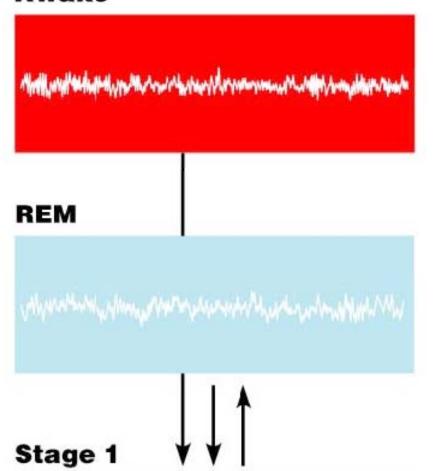
- NREM stages include:
 - Stage 1 eyes are closed and relaxation begins; the EEG shows alpha waves; one can be easily aroused
 - Stage 2 EEG pattern is irregular with sleep spindles (high-voltage wave bursts); arousal is more difficult
 - Stage 3 sleep deepens; theta and delta waves appear; vital signs decline; dreaming is common
 - Stage 4 EEG pattern is dominated by delta waves; skeletal muscles are relaxed; arousal is difficult

Types and Stages of Sleep: REM

- Characteristics of REM sleep
 - EEG pattern reverts through the NREM stages to the stage 1 pattern
 - Vital signs increase
 - Skeletal muscles (except ocular muscles) are inhibited
 - Most dreaming takes place

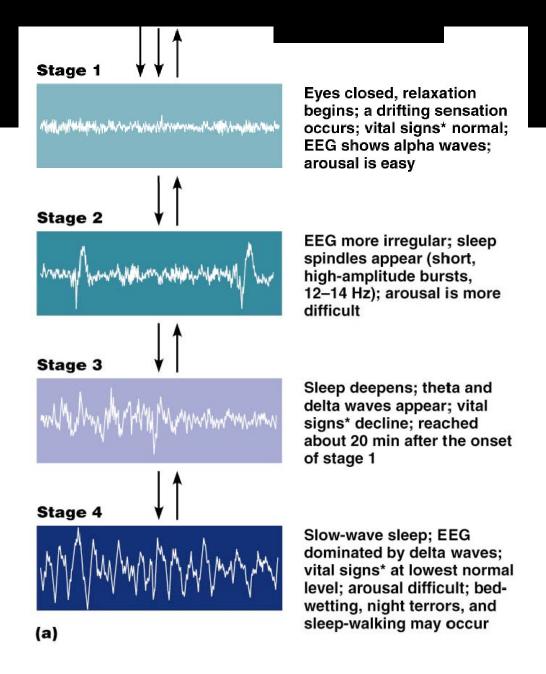
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Awake



EEG similar to stage 1; vital signs* increase; skeletal muscles (except ocular muscles and diaphragm) are actively inhibited; most dreaming occurs

Sleep



Sleep Patterns

- Alternating cycles of sleep and wakefulness reflect a natural circadian rhythm
- Although RAS activity declines in sleep, sleep is more than turning off RAS
- The brain is actively guided into sleep
- The suprachiasmatic and preoptic nuclei of the hypothalamus regulate the sleep cycle
- A typical sleep pattern alternates between REM and NREM sleep

Importance of Sleep

- Slow-wave sleep is presumed to be the restorative stage
- Those deprived of REM sleep become moody and depressed
- REM sleep may be a reverse learning process where superfluous information is purged from the brain
- Daily sleep requirements decline with age

Sleep Disorders

- Narcolepsy lapsing abruptly into sleep from the awake state
- Insomnia chronic inability to obtain the amount or quality of sleep needed
- Sleep apnea temporary cessation of breathing during sleep