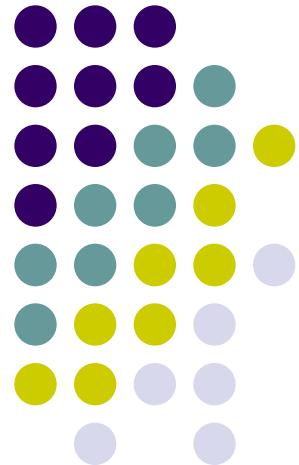
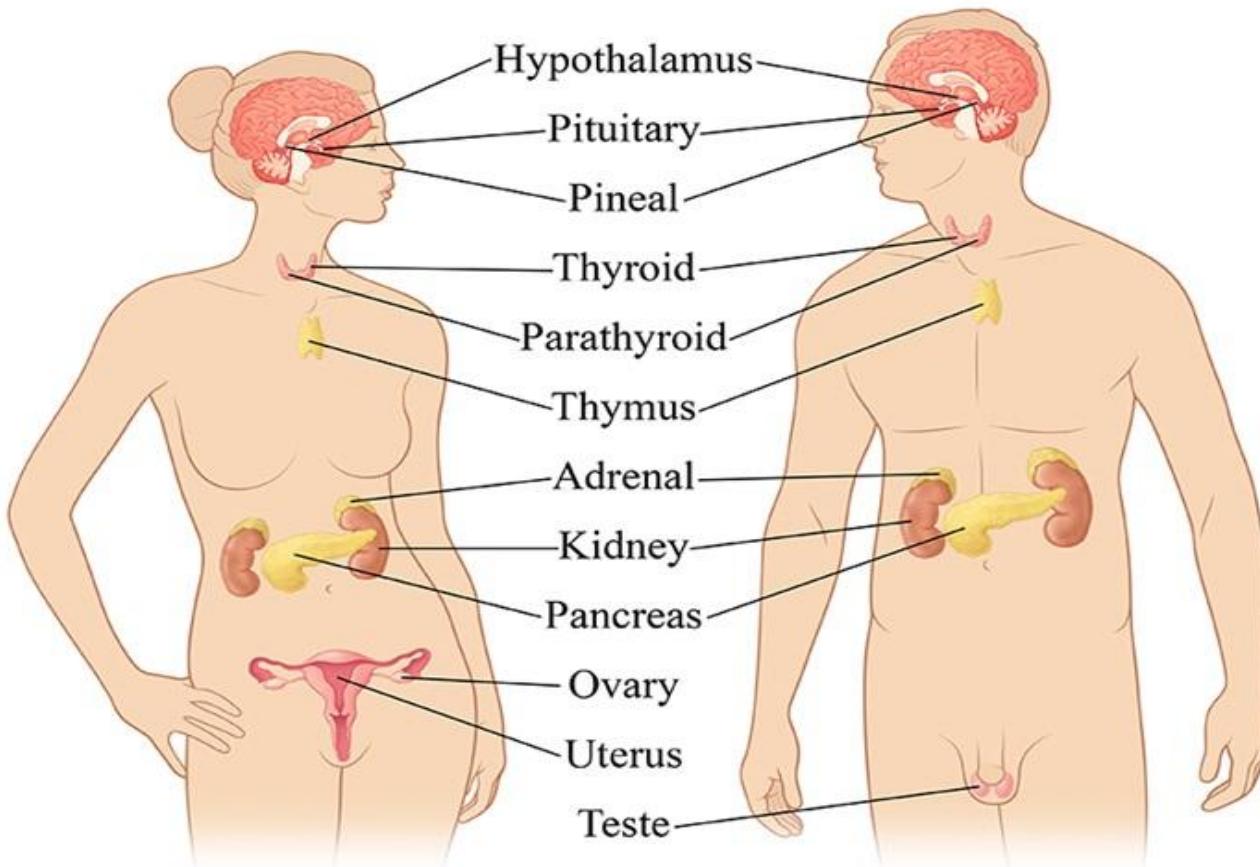


# Endocrine system

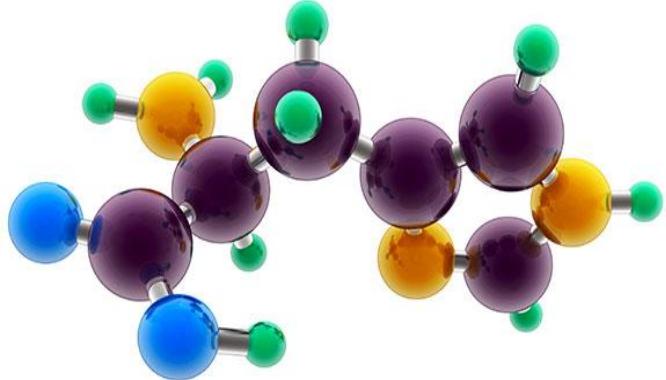


# Hormones – are chemical messengers used by endocrine system



- Control body growth and development
- metabolism
- sexual function
- reproduction

# Classification of hormones



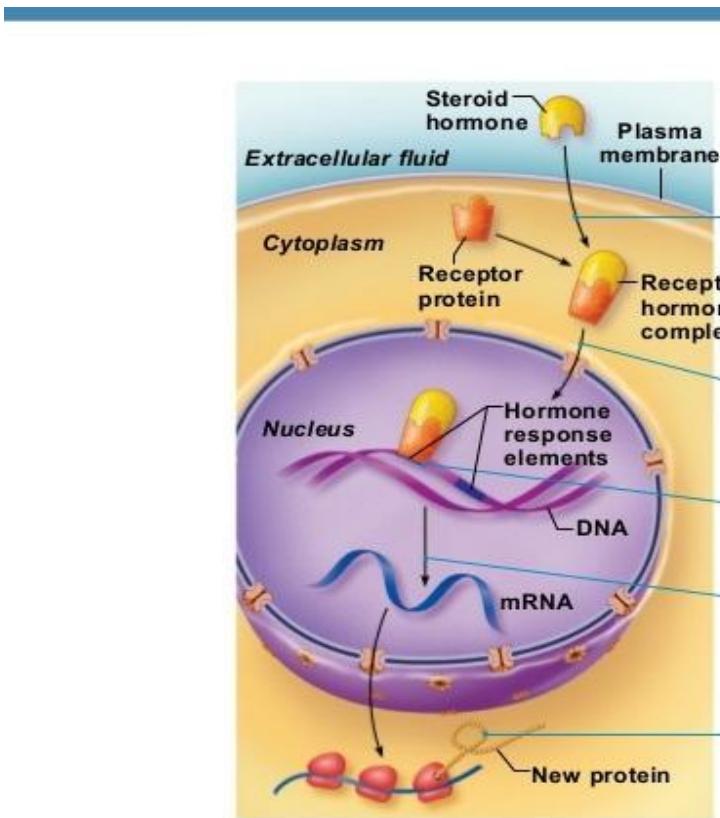
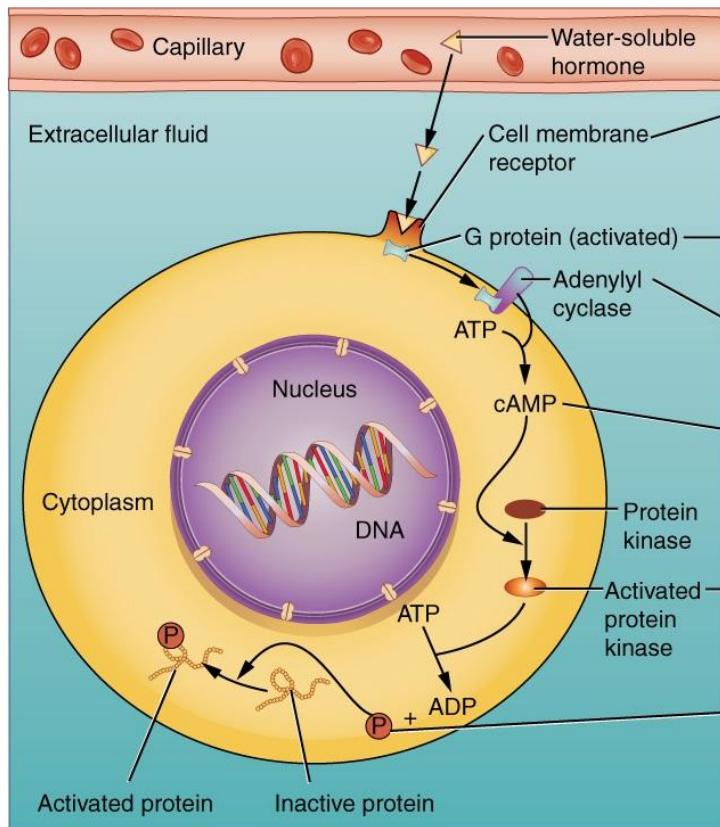
- **Steroids, cholesterol-derived (ovaries, testes, adrenal cortex)**
- **Polypeptides (hypothalamus, hypophysis, parathyroid gland, DNES)**
- **Amino acids derivates (adrenal medulla, thyroid gland)**



# Interaction with receptors

Polypeptides and most of amino acids- are not dissolved

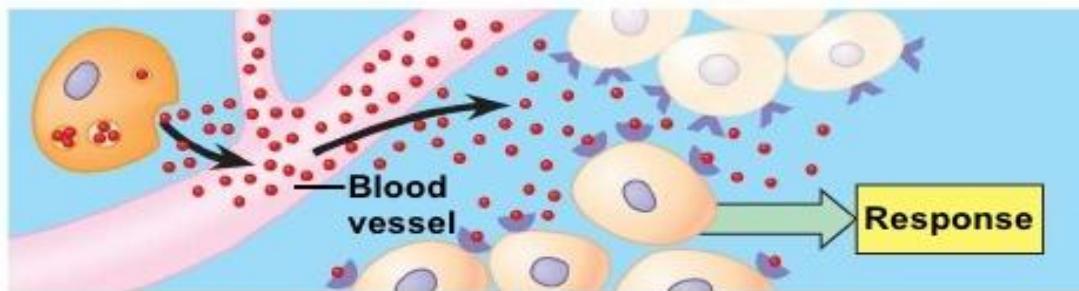
Steroids (ovaries, testes, adrenal gland)



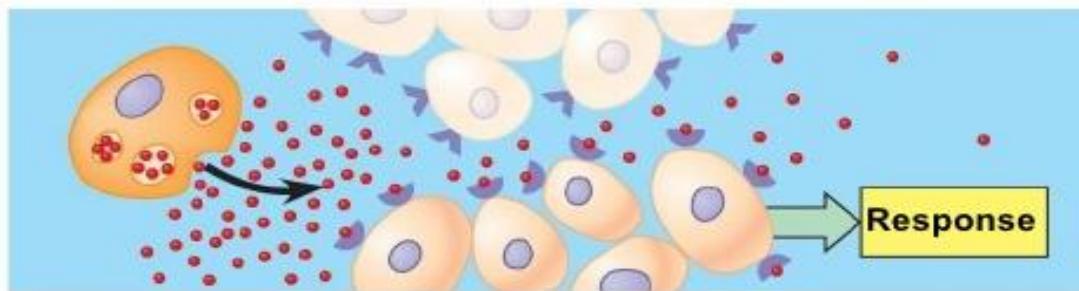


# Types of signaling

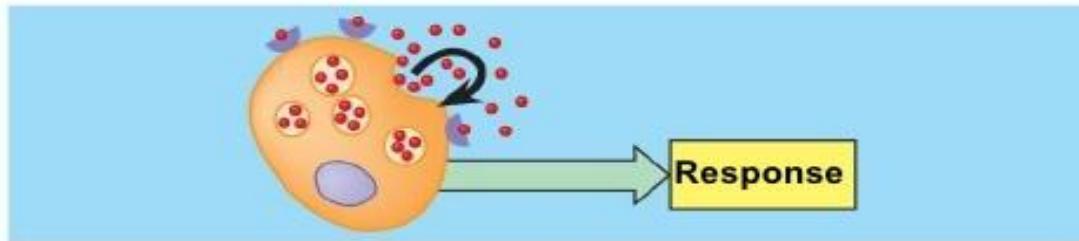
Fig. 45-2a



(a) Endocrine signaling

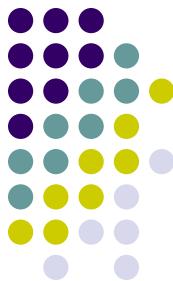


(b) Paracrine signaling



(c) Autocrine signaling

# Endocrine system

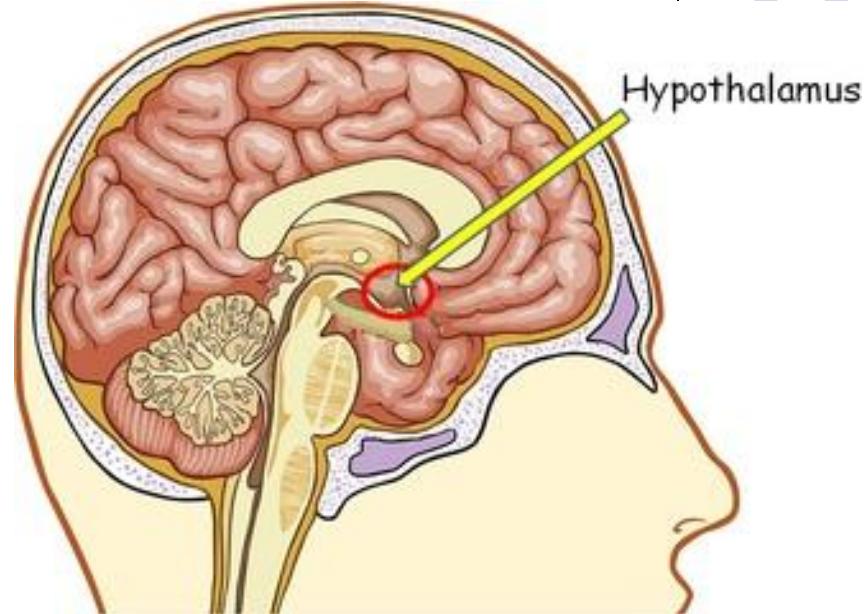


- **Central endocrine organs** – hypothalamus, pituitary gland, epiphysis
- **Peripheral endocrine glands** – thyroid gland, parathyroid glands, suprarenal glands
- **Organs, which combine endocrine and non-endocrine functions** – ovaries, testes, pancreas, kidneys, placenta
- **DNES (diffuse neuroendocrine system)**



# Hypothalamus

- Coordinates most endocrine functions of the body
- Regulates the activity of pituitary gland
- Regulates blood pressure, body temperature, fluid and electrolyte balance, body weight, appetite



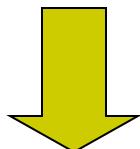


# Hypothalamus

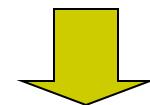
Anterior

**Supraoptic  
nucleus**

**Paraventricular  
nucleus**

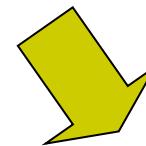


**Oxytocin**  
**Vasopressin (ADH)**

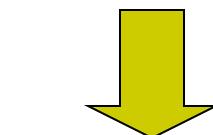


Middle

arcuate,  
dorsomedial,  
ventromedial,  
suprachiasmatic  
nuclei and preoptic  
area



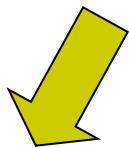
Posterior



**Releasing-factors:**  
-statins  
- liberins

# **Releasing factors**

## **regulate activity of the cells of the anterior lobe of the pituitary gland**



**Liberins** – stimulate secretion of pituitary hormones

1. Somatoliberin (growth hormone-releasing hormone - GHRH)

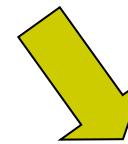
2. Thyroliberin (TRH)

3. Gonadoliberin (GnRH)

4. Corticoliberin (CRH)

5. Prolactoliberin

6. Melanoliberin



**Statins** – inhibit secretion of pituitary hormones

1. Somatostatin

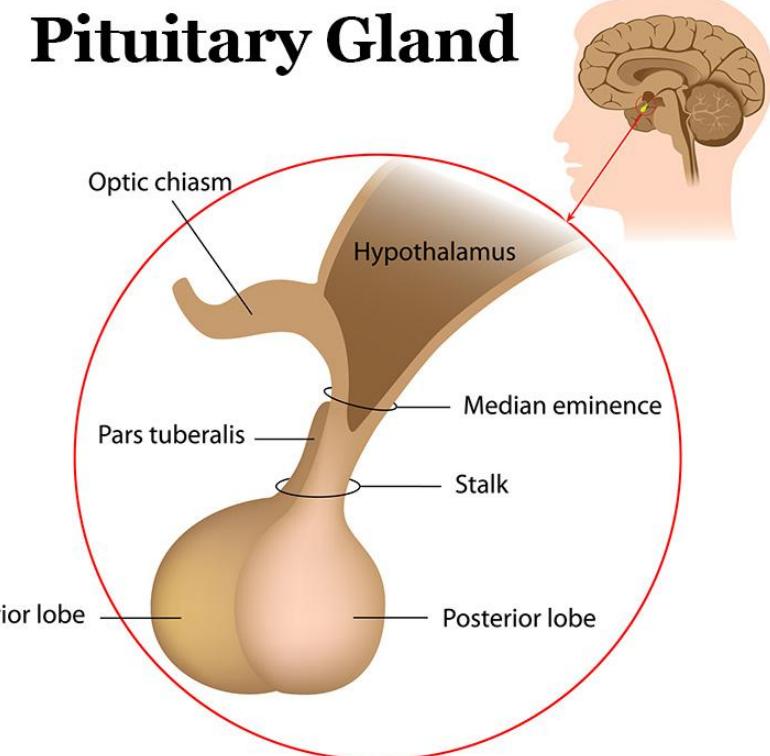
2. Prolactostatin

3. Melanostatin



# Pituitary gland (hypophysis)

- Morphologically and functionally linked with hypothalamus
- Provides the control of all other endocrine organs

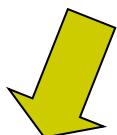




# Pituitary gland

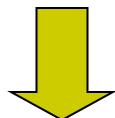
## Anterior lobe (adenohypophysis)

has a typical organisation of endocrine tissue



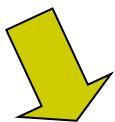
### Pars distalis

- Chromophilic cells
- Chromophobe cells



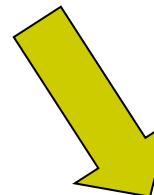
### Pars intermedia

- Melanotropes - melanocytes-stimulating hormone (MSH)
- Lipotropes - lipotropin



### Pars tuberalis

Function unclear

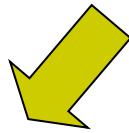


## Posterior lobe (neurohypophysis)

Contains Herring bodies, in which oxytocin and vasopressin are stored

# Pars distalis

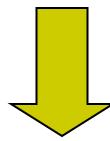
## Chromophilic cells



**Basophilic endocrinocytes:**

- **Gonadotropes** – follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH), luteinizing hormone (LH)

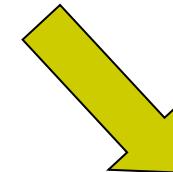
- **Thyrotropes** – thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)



**Acidophilic endocrinocytes**

- **Mammatropes** – prolactin (PRL)

- **Somatotropes** (GH-cells) – somatotropin

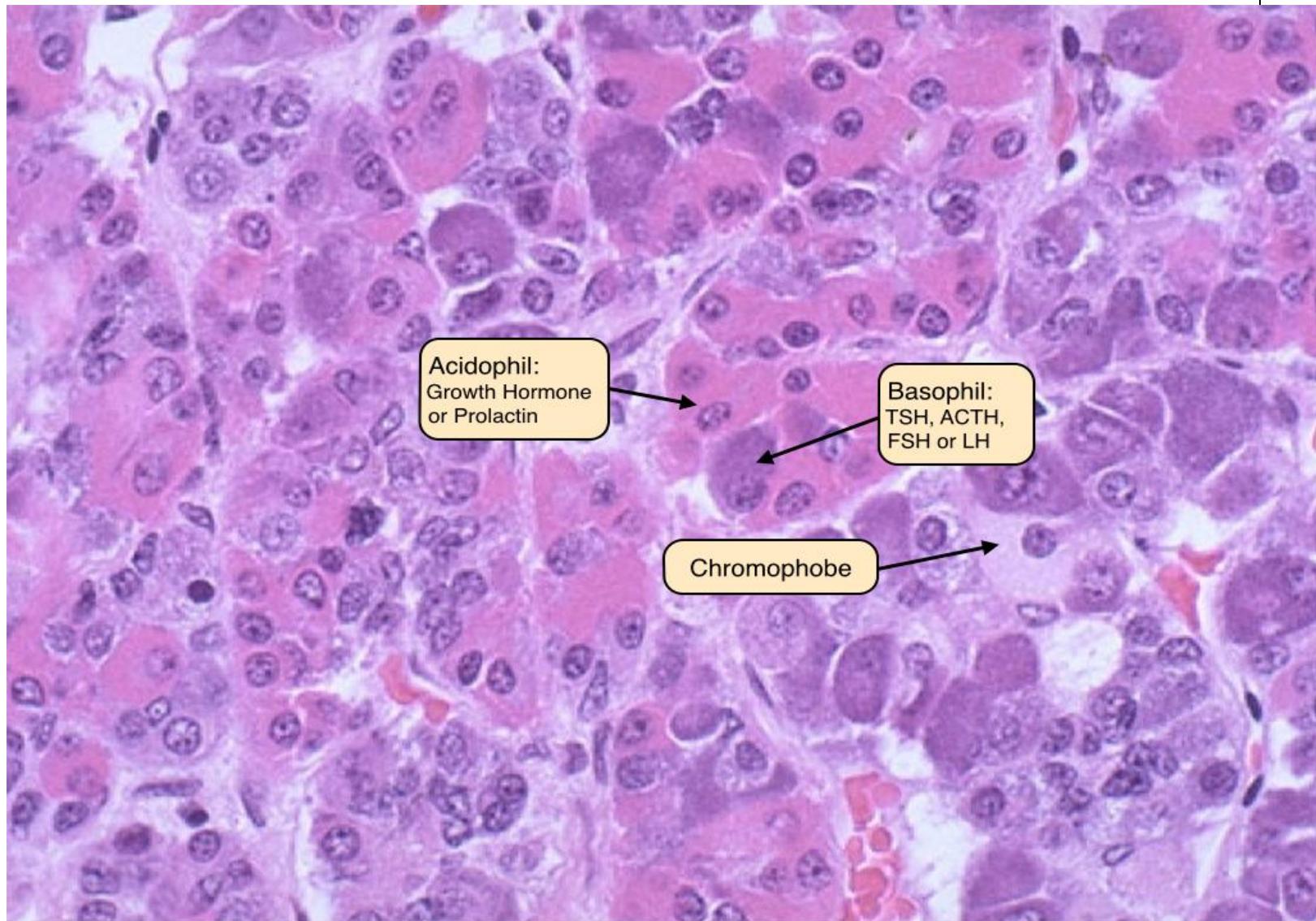


**Corticotropes**

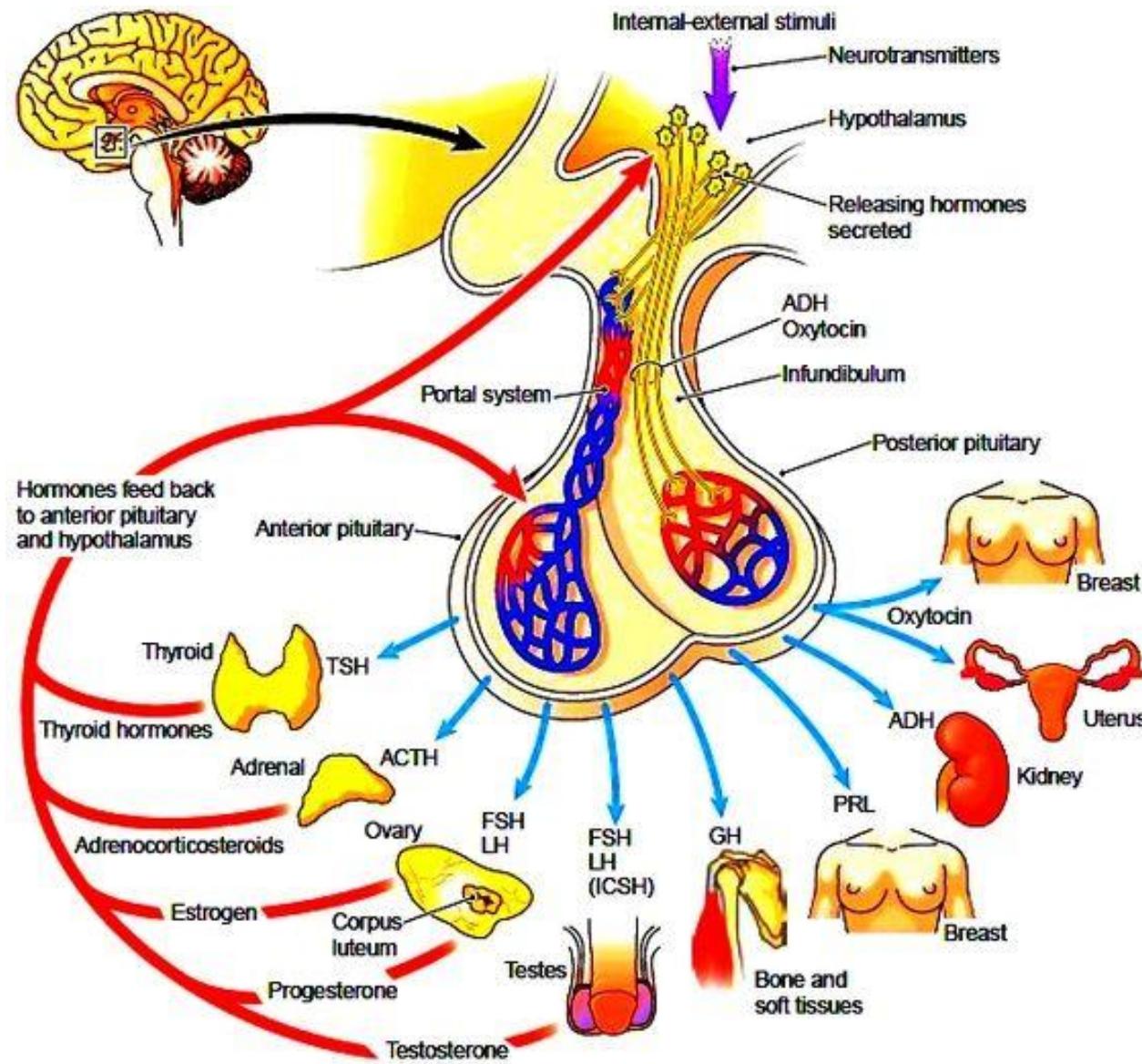
—  
**adrenocorticotropic hormone (ACTH)**

**Chromophobe cells (60%)** – low-differentiated cambial cells, do not have endocrine activity

# Anterior pituitary Pars distalis



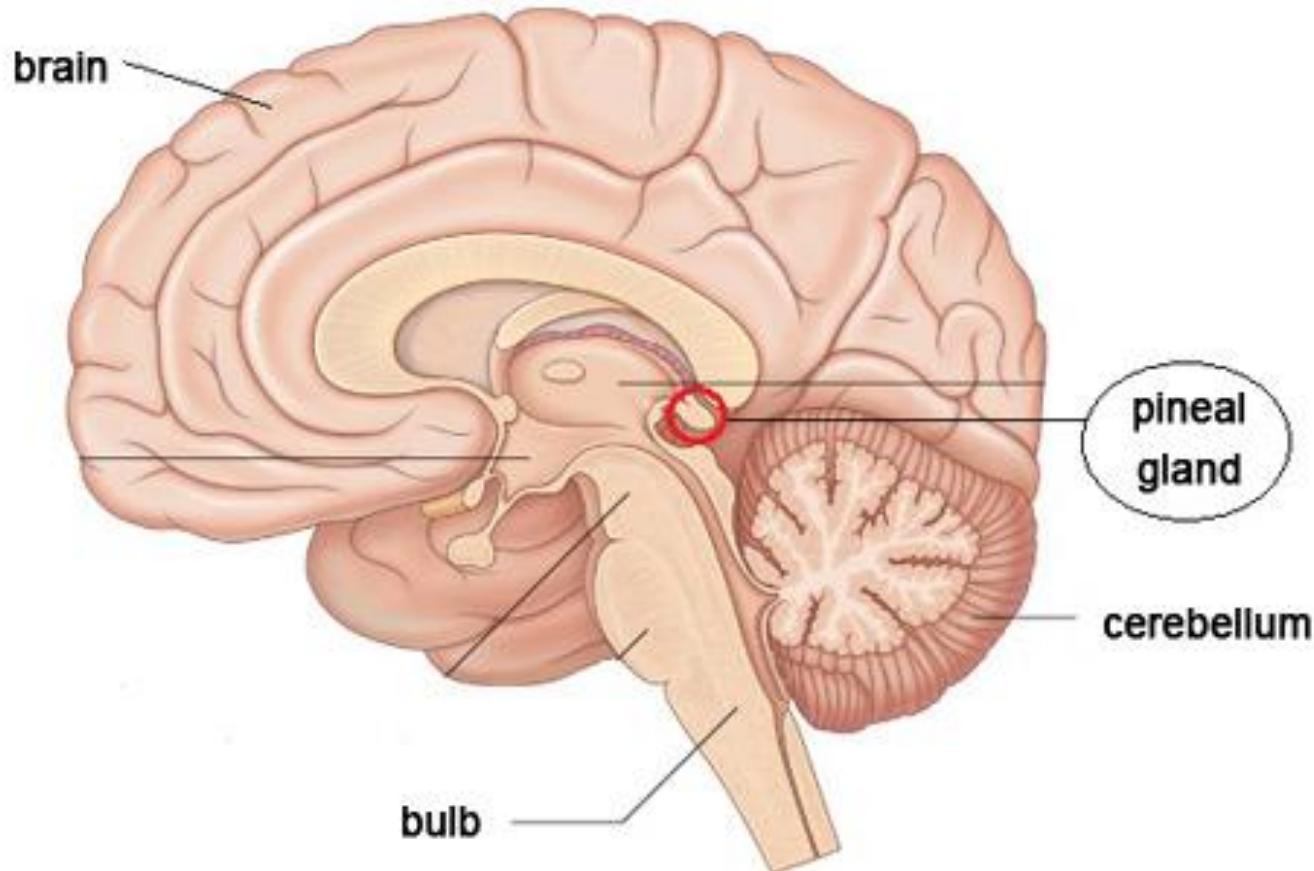
# Hypothalamohypophyseal system





# Epiphysis (pineal gland)

a central endocrine gland, which regulates daily body rhythm



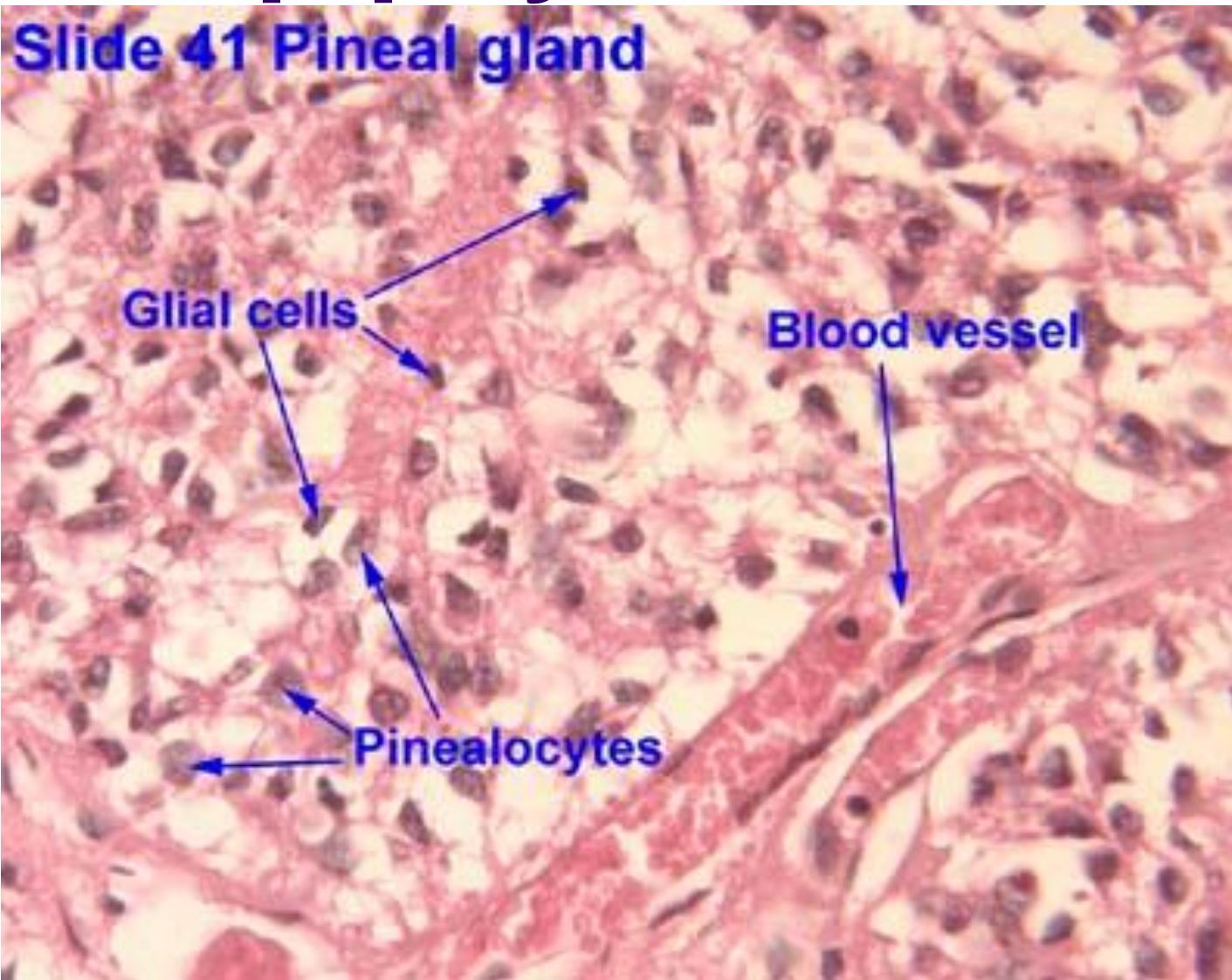


# Cells of epiphysis

- Pinealocytes
  - produce about 40 types of regulatory peptides and biologically active amins –  
**serotonin and melatonin**
- Glial (interstitial) cells



# Epiphysis

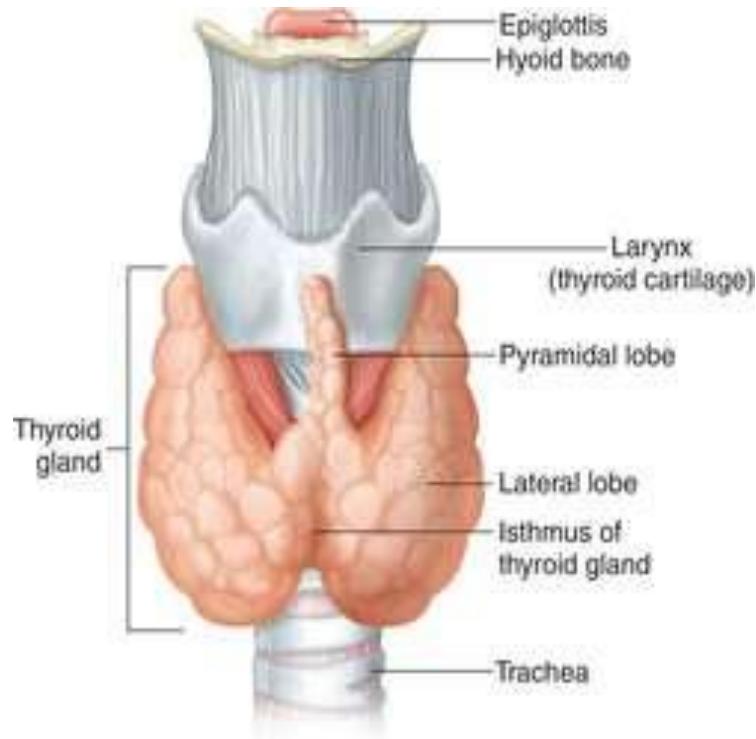


# Peripheral endocrine organs

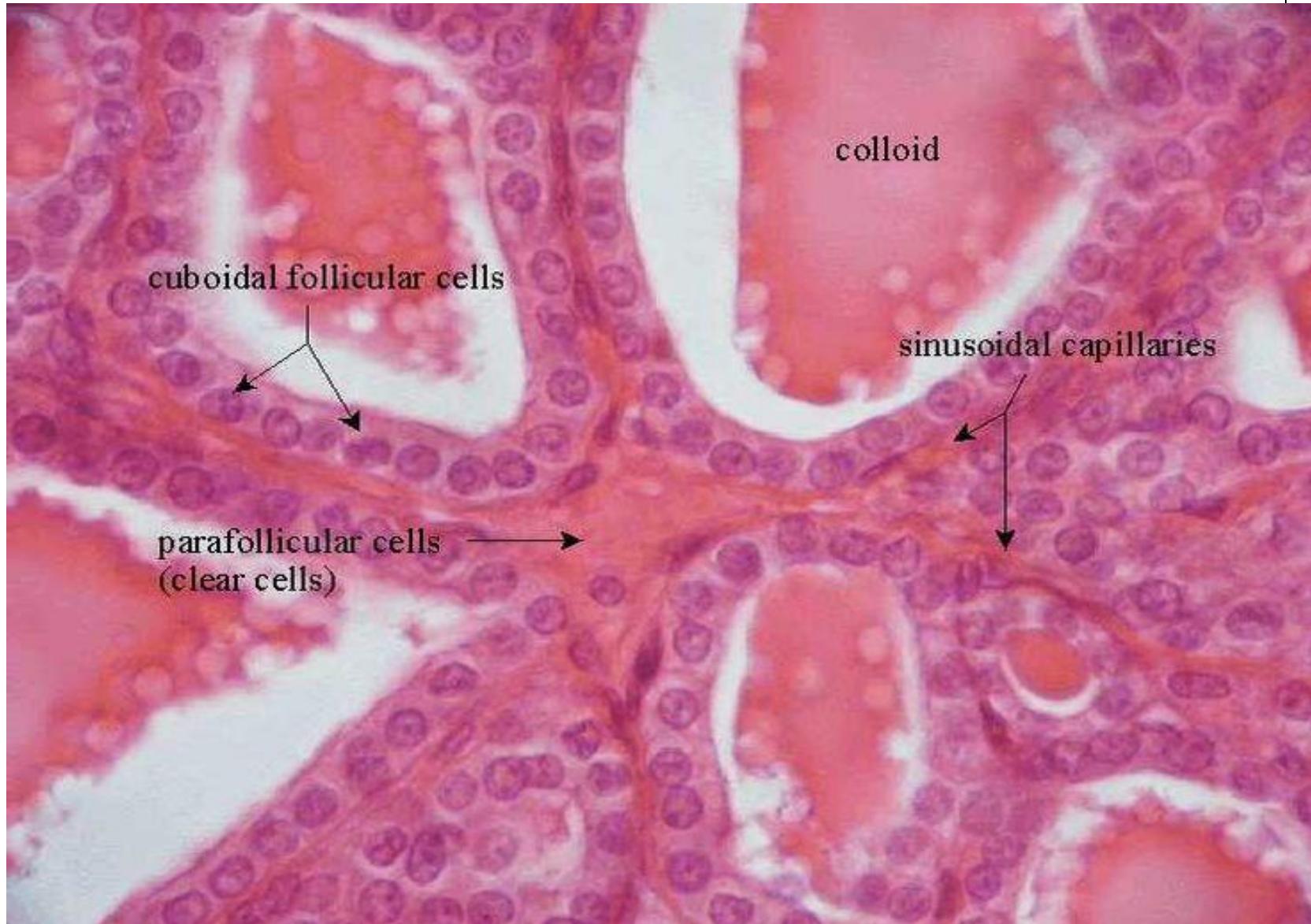


## Thyroid gland

- **Hormones:**
    - Thyroxin (T4)
    - Triiodothyronine (T3)
    - Calcitonine
  - **Structural unit – thyroid follicle**
  - **Cells:** follicular – thyroid hormones;  
parafollicular - calcitonin
- Thyroid hormones



# Thyroid gland



cuboidal follicular cells

colloid

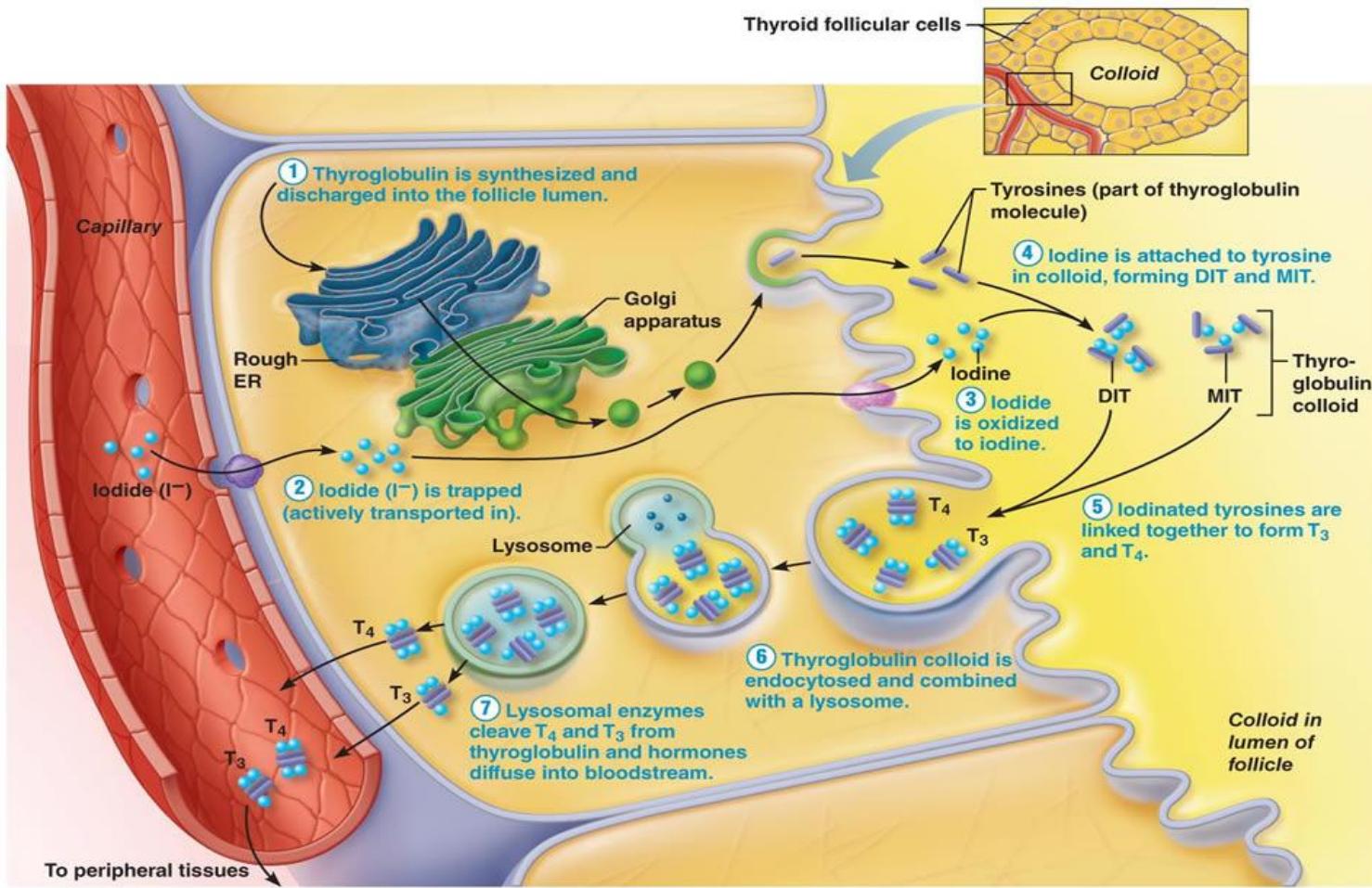
parafollicular cells  
(clear cells)

sinusoidal capillaries



# Synthesis of thyroid hormones

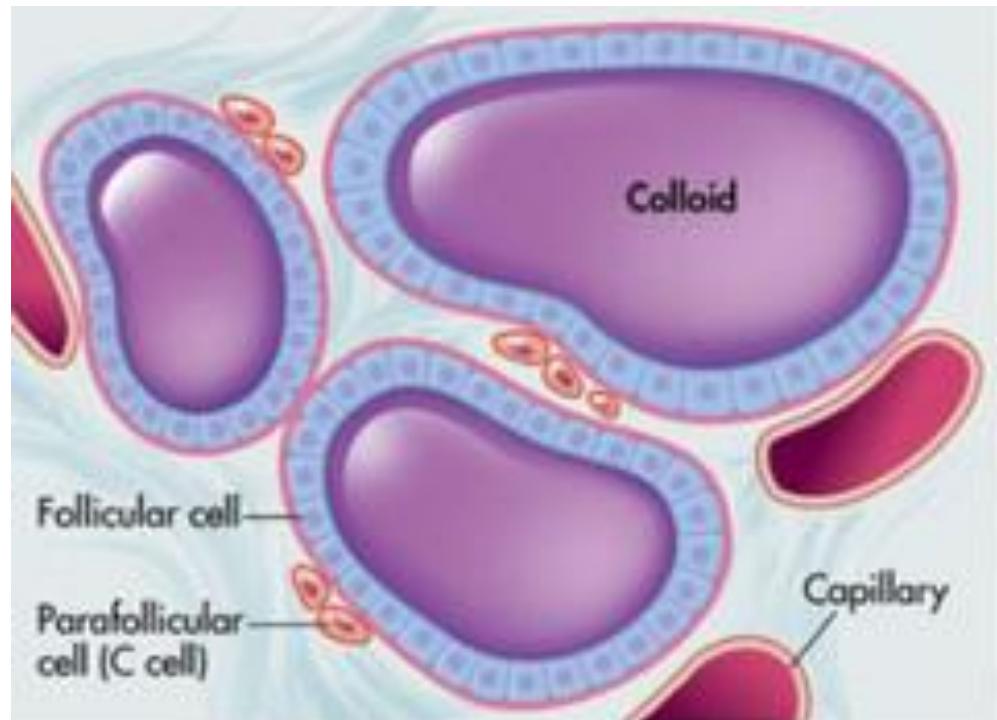
- Production phase
- Secretion phase





# Parafollicular cells (C-cells)

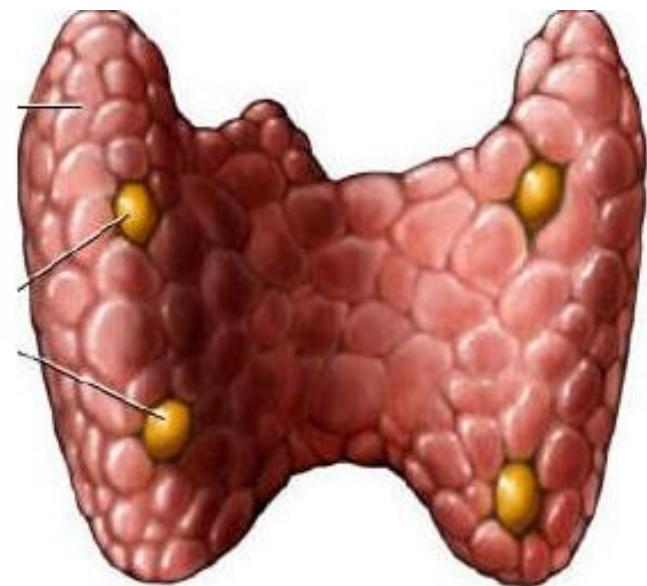
- First type – produce **calcitonin**, which decreases Calcium serum level
- Second type – produce **somatostatin**





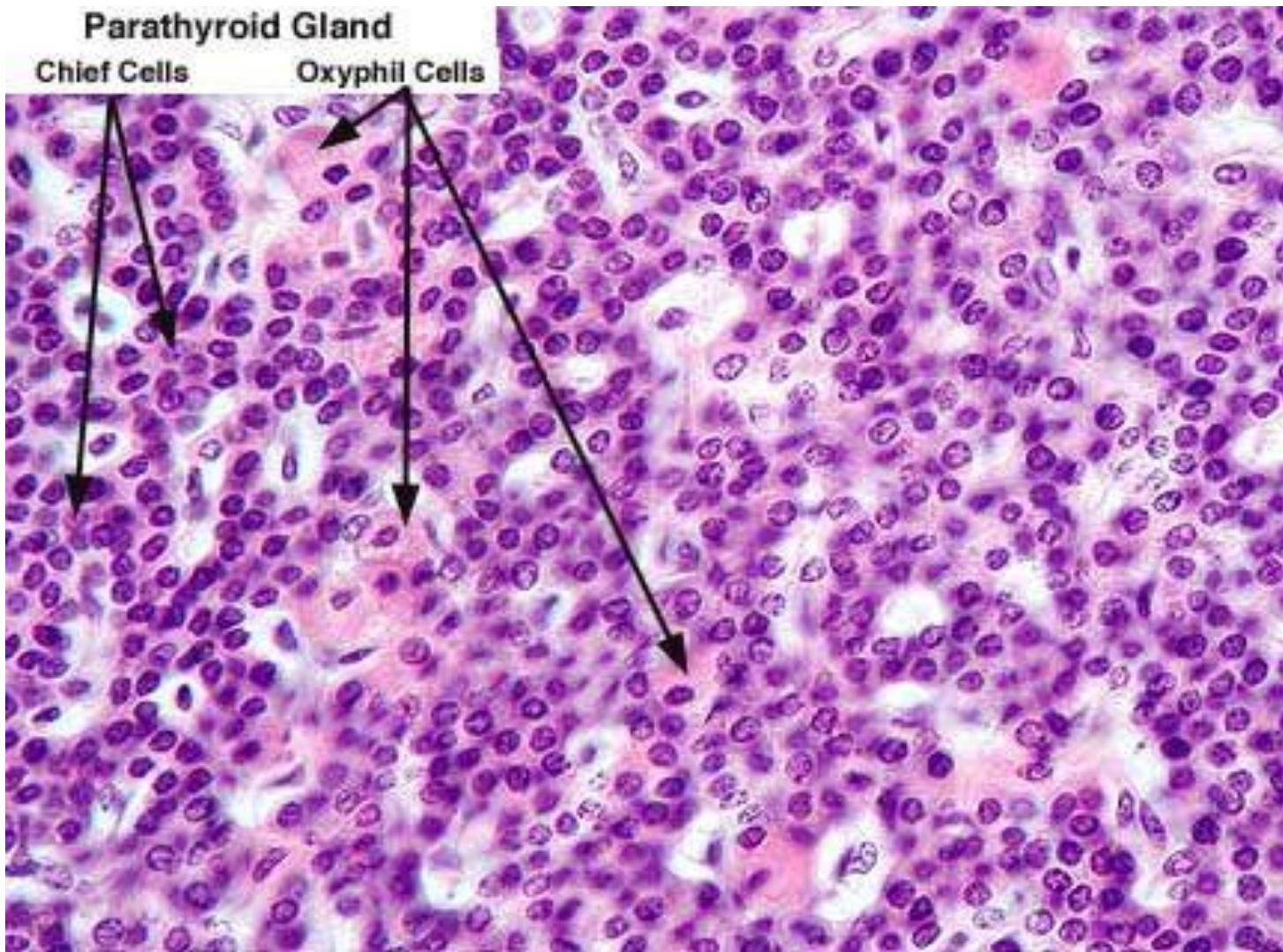
# Parathyroid gland

- Hormone – parathyroid hormone
- Biological effect – increase of Calcium serum level (antagonist of calcitonin)
- Cells:
  - chief cells (secrete PTH)
  - oxyphil cells (do not have secretory role)





# Parathyroid gland



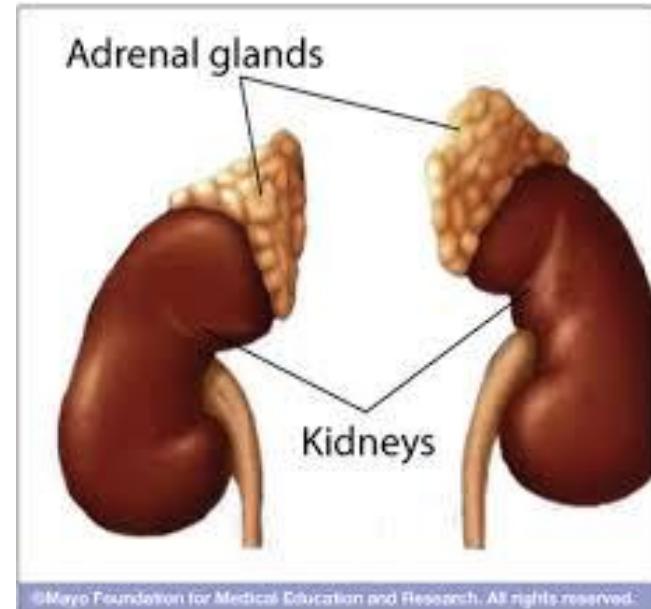
# Adrenal glands

- **Adrenal cortex**

- Zona glomerulosa - aldosterone
- Zona fasciculata - glucocorticoids
- Zona reticularis – sex steroid hormones

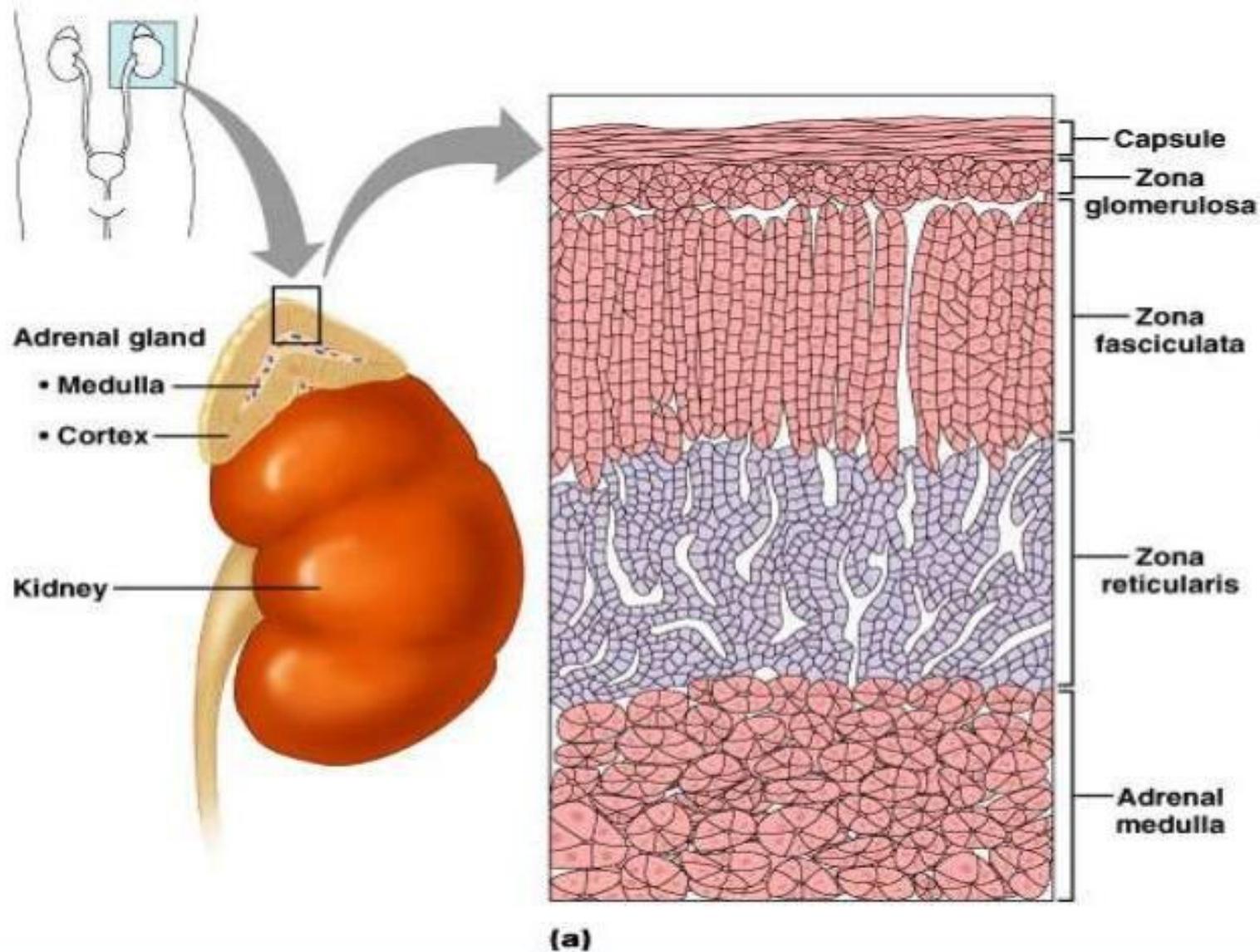
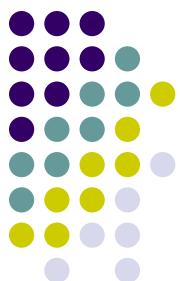
- **Adrenal medulla:**

- epinephrocytes - adrenalin
- norepinephrocytes - noradrenalin



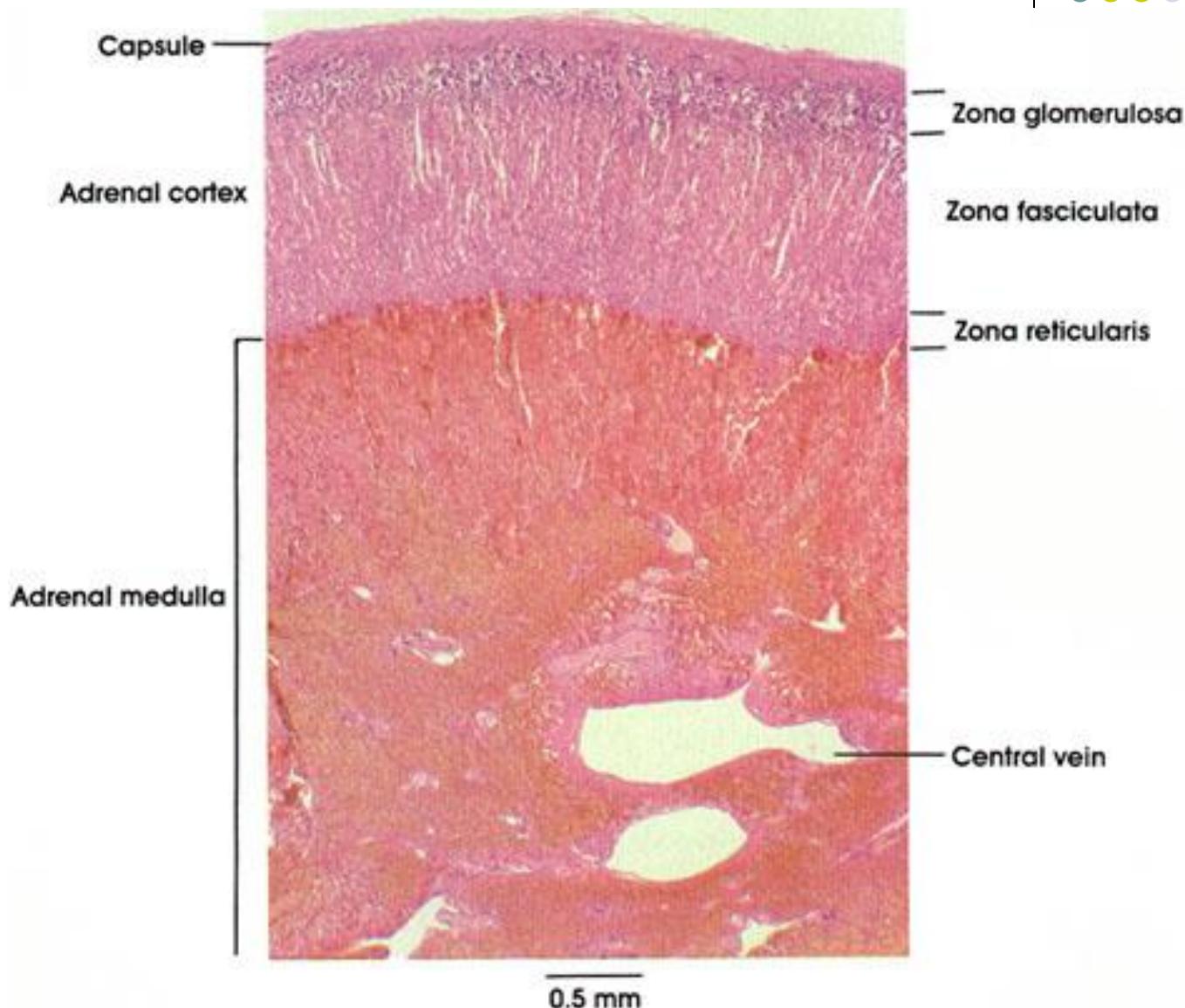
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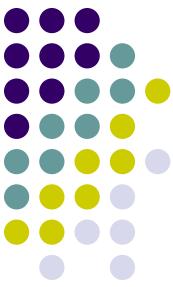
# Adrenal glands





# Adrenal glands





# Hormones

