



# URINARY PASSAGE

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## Objectives:

By the end of the lecture, the student should be able to describe the microscopic structure of:

- The Renal pelvis and ureter.
- The urinary bladder and male and female urethra.

## Juxtaglomerular apparatus

### It has 3 components:

A-The macula densa of distal tubule, they are tall cells with centrally-placed nuclei

**B-Juxtaglomerular cells** of afferent glomerular arteriole, they're modified smooth muscle of tunica media. Nuclei are round with granular cytoplasm, **they secrete renin.** 

## C-The extraglomerular mesangial cells.

The cells communicate with each others by gap junction

### **Renal Calyces**

- Each calyx accepts urine from the renal papilla of a renal pyramid.
- They are lined with transitional epithelium lamina propria and smooth muscle.
- Minor calyces merge to form major calyces (with same lining tissue as minor calyces).
- Major calyces open into renal pelvis.





Ureter around 25cm		Urinary Bladder
<b>1. Mucosa</b> : Is formed of transitional epith. and lamina propria.		It has the <u>same</u> structure <u>as</u> <b>the lower third of</b> <b>ureter</b> . ( except: the <u>urinary bladder</u> is with <b>serosa</b> while <u>ureter</u> is without <b>serosa</b> )
<b>2. Muscularis</b> (muscular coat):		Superficial layer of <b>transitional epithelium</b> has
upper <sup>2</sup> /3:	<b>lower 1/3</b> :	dome-shaped cells (in empty bladder).
<b>A-</b> Inner longitudinal. <b>B-</b> Outer circular.	It has <b>3 layers</b> of <u>smooth muscle</u> : 1) Inner longitudinal. 2) Middle circular. 3) Outer longitudinal.	
<b>3. Adventitia:</b> fibrous ( covering. <b>No serosa.</b>	C.T.	<b>Its outer covering is adventitia or serosa.</b> Part of urinary bladder cover with Adventitia and other part cover with Serosa

Female Urethra short and lined by :	Male Urethra long and is divided into:
<b>A- Epithelium:</b> 1- Transitional epith. Near the bladder. 2- Pseudostratified columnar epith. 3- Stratified squamous non-keratinized epith.	<b>1- Prostatic urethra:</b> is lined with transitional epith.
<b>B- Sub-epithelial fibroelastic CT</b> that contains glands of Littre (mucus-secreting glands).	<b>2- Membranous urethra:</b> is lined with: Stratified columnar epith. with patches of pseudustratified columnar epithelium.
<b>C- Smooth muscle:</b> inner longitudinal and outer circular layers.	<b>3- Penile (spongy) urethra:</b> is lined with: Stratified columnar epith. with patches of pseudustratified columnar epithelium.
	<ul> <li>In navicular fossa (enlarged terminal portion): Stratified squamous non-keratinized epith.</li> <li>The lamina propria contains mucus-secreting glands of Littre.</li> </ul>

# Quiz

### 1. They secrete renin

- A. macula densa of distal tubule
- B. Juxtaglomerular cells
- C. extraglomerular mesangial cells
- D. Interstitial cells

### 2. Renal Calyces lined with

- A. Pseudostratified columnar epithelium
- B. Stratified columnar epithelium
- C. Stratified squamous nonkeratinized epithelium
- D. transitional epithelium
- 3. Which of the following is true about urinary bladder
  - A. Its adventitia has no serosa
  - B. Its adventitia has serosa
  - C. The structure is the same as upper third of ureter
  - D. has 2 layers of smooth muscle

### 4. Prostatic urethra is lined with

- A. transitional epithelium
- B. Pseudostratified columnar epithelium
- C. Stratified columnar epithelium
- D. None of them
- 5. Sub-epithelial fibroelastic C.T in female contain
  - A. glands of Littre
  - B. patches pseudostratified columnar epithelium
  - C. navicular fossa
  - D. All
- 6. What is the correct passage of urine out of these sequences
  - A. Renal pyramid > major calyces > minor calyces > renal pelvis
  - B. Major calyces > minor calyces > renal pyramid > renal pelvis
  - C. Renal pelvis > major calyces > minor calyces > renal pyramid
  - D. Renal pyramid > minor calyces > major calyces > renal pelvis

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