





# Practical Histology

Neuropsychiatry Block

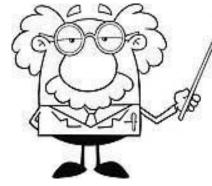
o Contents:

- 1. Cervical, thoracic, & lumbar spinal cord.
- 2. Ascending & descending tracts.
- 3. Unipolar, bipolar, pseudo-unipolar neurons.

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### Things you need to know before the exam :

- The pictures in the exam will be the same as the ones included in the slides.
- Don't try to take short cuts during the exam so avoid using abbreviations so you don't lose marks.
- Please keep in mind that this work is done by students , so if there are any mistakes please inform us.
- This work is not by any means a reference.
- Please study hard and don't worry the exam will be easy!!



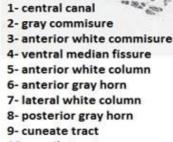
### Cervical Spinal cord

#### Posterior intermediate sulcus

separates gracile tract from cuneate tract

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Posterolateral

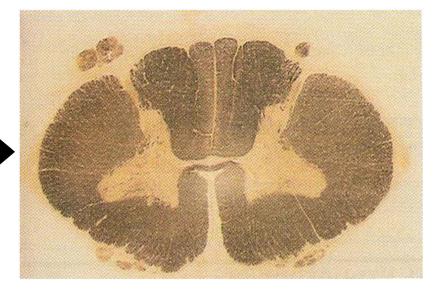
sulcus

- 10- gracile tract
- 11- dorsal median sulcus
- 12- posterior white column

You have to memorize them all along with the features 😳

#### Features:

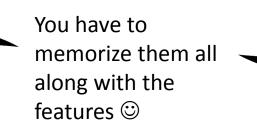
- ✓ Oval in shape
- ✓ Wide ventral horn "Because of brachial plexus"
- ✓ Thin dorsal horn
- ✓ NO lateral horn



### Thoracic Spinal cord

1- central canal
 2- gray commisure
 3- anterior white commisure
 4- ventral median fissure
 5- anterior white column
 6- anterior gray horn
 7- lateral white column
 8- posterior gray horn
 9- cuneate tract
 10- gracile tract
 11- dorsal median sulcus
 12- posterior white column
 13- lateral gray horn

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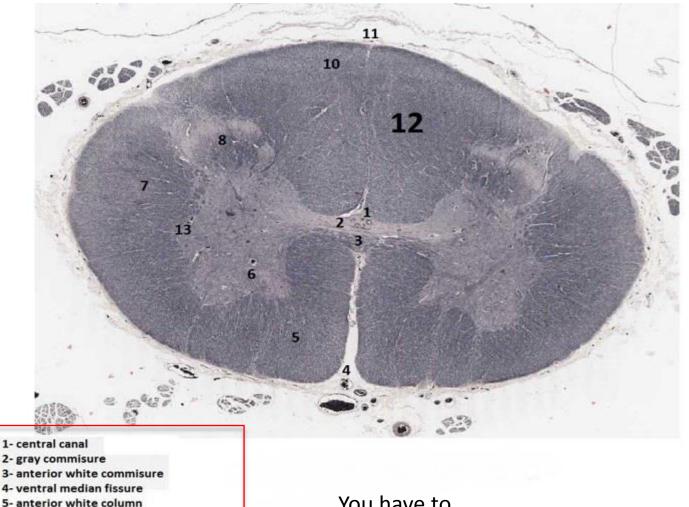
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#### Features:

 $\checkmark$  Ventral and dorsal horn are thin

✓ It contains a lateral horn

### Lumbar Spinal cord



Note: don't worry about the 13 structures, they're the same in all the spinal cord segments except when there's no lateral horn, or no cuneate!

2- gray commisure 3- anterior white commisure 4- ventral median fissure 5- anterior white column 6- anterior gray horn 7- lateral white column 8- posterior gray horn 9- cuneate tract "not found at this level" 10- gracile tract

- 11- dorsal median sulcus
- 12- posterior white column
- 13- lateral gray horn

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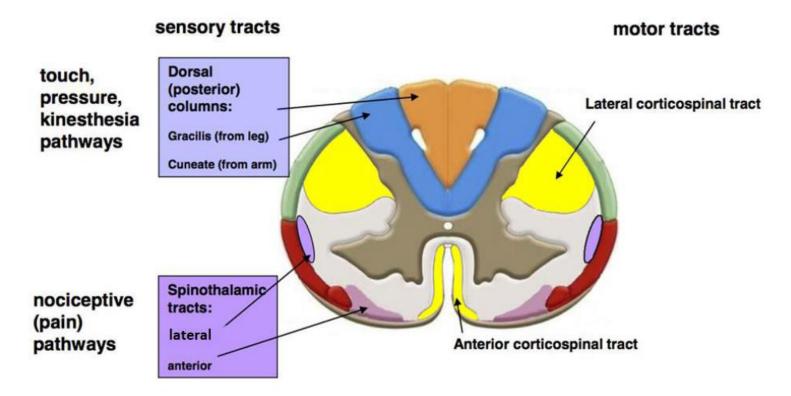
#### Features:

- ✓ Ventral and dorsal horn are wide
- ✓ It doesn't contain cuneate tract

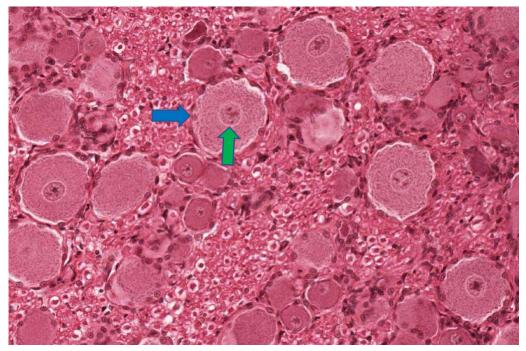
Remember: gracilis and cuneate ascending (sensory) tracts of the dorsal column.

### Ascending & Descending Tracts

- Identify the labelled structures
   Identify the function of each trac
- $\checkmark$  Identify the function of each tract



### Pseudo-unipolar/Unipolar Neuron



#### Contains:

- ✓ Cell body
- ✓ Nucleus and Nucleolus
- ✓ Nissl bodies
- ✓ Mitochondria

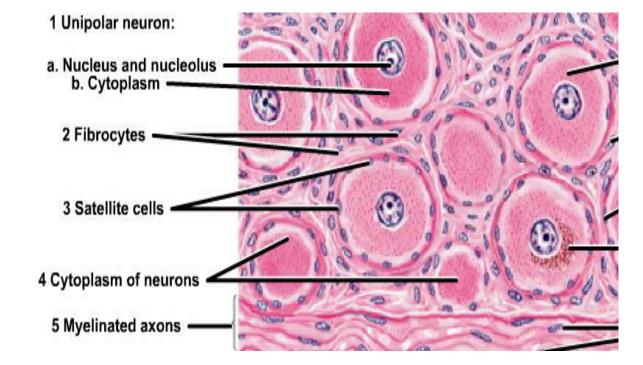
#### Location:

- ✓ Dorsal root ganglion
- ✓ Mesencephalic nucleus of the trigeminal nerve

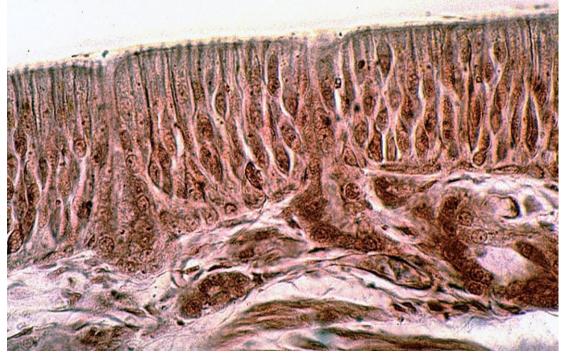


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### **Bipolar Neuron**



#### Contains:

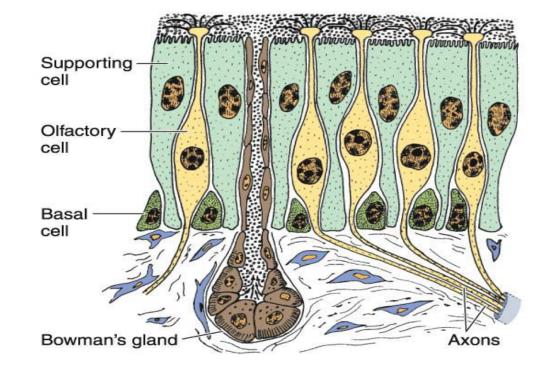
- ✓ Cell body
- ✓ Nucleus and Nucleolus
- $\checkmark$  Nissl bodies
- ✓ Mitochondria

#### Location:

✓ Olfactory Epithelium✓ Retina



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### 1- Stellate neuron:

#### \*Location:

 Anterior horn cells of the spinal cord

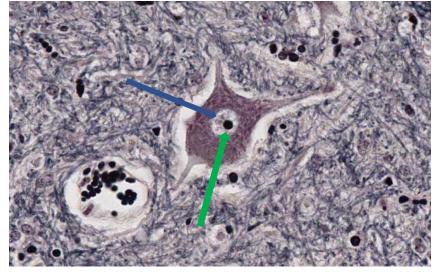
#### \*Contains:

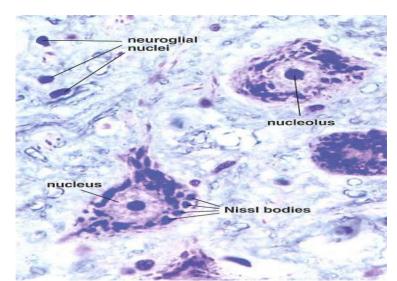
- ✓ Nucleus
- ✓ Nucleolus
- ✓ Nissl bodies
- ✓ Mitochondria
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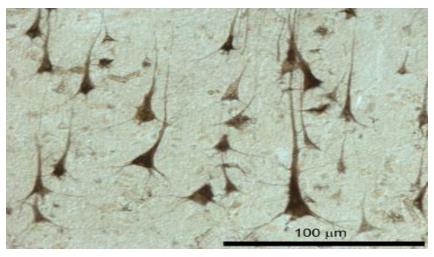
# 2- Pyramidal neuron:\*Location:

Cerebrum (motor area 4)

### Multipolar Neuron









## 3- Pyriform neuron:

### \*Location:

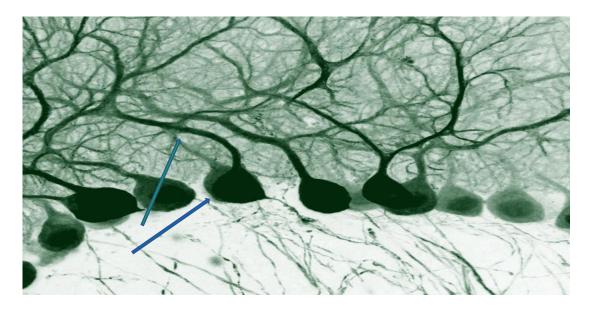
Purkinje cells of cerebellum

### \*Contains:

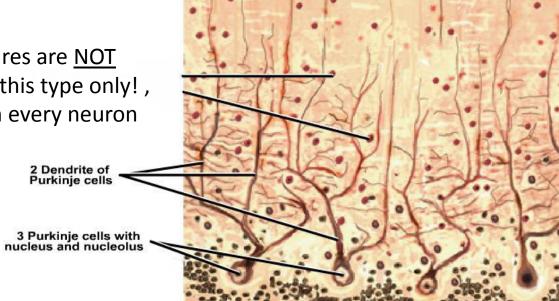
- Purkinje cells with nucleus and  $\checkmark$ nucleolus
- Dendrites of Purkinje cells  $\checkmark$
- Nissl bodies  $\checkmark$

Mitochondria

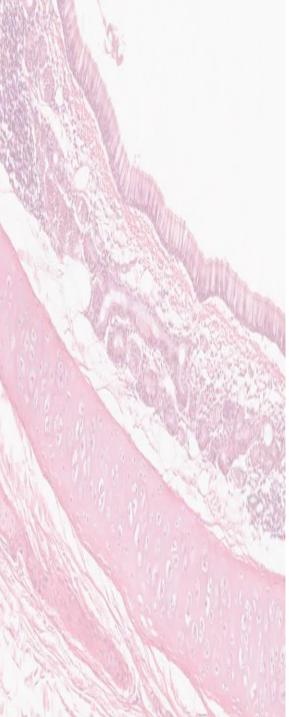




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| Summary of neurons   |  |  |  |
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| Unipolar neuron<br>(Pseudounipolar)<br>(rounded neuron)<br>Not directly<br>connected to the cell<br>body | Location:<br>1- Mesencephalic nucleus of trigeminal nerv<br><u>2- Dorsal</u> root (spinal) ganglion.<br>Contains:<br>✓ Cell body<br>✓ Nucleus and Nucleolus    | Ve.  |  |
| <b>Bipolar Neuron</b><br>(spindle-shaped<br>neuron)<br>like having 2 necks                               | <b>Location:</b><br>1- Retina<br>2- olfactory epithelium.  | Supporting<br>cell<br>Olfactory<br>cell<br>Basal<br>cell<br>Bowman's gland |  |
| Multipolar neuron:<br>Has one axon and   | Stellate Neurons<br>(star shape)   | <b>Pyramidal Neurons</b><br>(wide base)                                    | Pyriform Neurons   |
| multiple dendrites.  | <ul> <li>Anterior horn cells of the spinal cord</li> <li>*Contains:</li> <li>Nucleus</li> <li>Nucleolus</li> <li>Nissl bodies</li> <li>Mitochondria</li> </ul> | Cerebrum (motor area 4) ✓ Cerebrum (motor area 4)                          | Location:<br><ul> <li>Purkinje cells of cerebellum</li> <li>*Contains:</li> <li>Purkinje cells with nucleus and nucleolus</li> <li>Dendrites of Purkinje cells</li> <li>Dendrites of Purkinje cells</li> <li>Nissl bodies</li> <li>Mitochondria</li> </ul> |



# Thank you & good luck

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